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**854.** SIR FRAS. BIGODE TO CROMWELL.

I have delivered the King's letters to the archbishop of York the 8th June, and to the **bishop of Durham** the 9th. They received them with great humility, and were evidently glad of them. The **Bishop sent for his chaplains to execute them in all haste. He himself tarried to make precepts, and send to every ecclesiastical person in his diocese.** The effect I shall report. I purpose to be at York on Midsummer Day, and also on St. Peter's Day, which is there the most solemn day of the year. If the Archbishop preach sincerely, and set forth the King's title, he will do much good, as that day all dignitaries must be in the church. If the Archbishop be negligent, my chaplain, who, as Dr. Crome, Master Latimer, and Barnes can show you, is well learned, will be ready to say the Word of God truly. I have for him the archbishop of Canterbury's licence, and the King's likewise; but till I know your pleasure he shall not preach either at York or elsewhere. I have drawn an abstract from the statute touching the deposition of the bishop of Rome and the style of Supreme Head, which I intend to nail on a table in my parish church, and give a copy of it to all who can read, to instruct their families at home. I send a copy. Setteryngton, 11 June.

Hol. pp. 2. *Add.*: Secretary. *Endd.*