An Acte whereby divers offences be made high treason, and takynge wayle all Sayntuaries for all maner of high treasons.

For as moche as it is moste necessarie, bothe for commune police and dutey of subjicet, above all thynges to phylle provyde restreynge and extrem all maner of shamefull schaunders peiris or ymynynete daungers or daungers which myghty growe happen or arye to their Soverayn Lorde the Kyng, the Queene, or their heyers, whiche when they be harde seene or understannde; I can not be but edoile and aboyd of all those sorths that be trewe and loyngue subjicet, ye yn any poynyte they may do or shall towche the Kyng, his Queene, theyr heyers or succesours, upon whiche dependeth the hole unyte and unuersall weale of this Realme, without provydinge wherfore to greate a scope of unreasonable lybertie shulde be gyven to all cankarde and traytous harre willers and lucrars of the same. And also the Kynges loyngue subjicet shulde not declare unto their Soverayn Lorde now beynge, whiche unto theim hath byn and is moste entirly bothe beloved and estemyed, theyr undoughted synericte and trouthe; Be yt therfore encaided, by the aysent and consent of our Soverayn Lorde the Kyng and the Loardes spiritual and temporall and Comyns yn this present plenam assembled, and by thankyng of the same, that yf any poyn ou poynes after the fyreste dy associated, do maliciously wythe will or desyre by wordes or wythynge, or by crafte yngyn invent pradrye or attempt, any bodely harre to be done or comytted to the Kynges moste royall poynes, the Quenes, or their heires apparaunt, or to depryve therny or any of theym of the dignite title or name of their royall estates, or schaunders full of mealyse & malsounfull publishe & pronunce, by expresse writinges or wordes, that the Kyng oore Soverayn Lorde shulde be hereynke sciatemate Tyrant yndifell or Usurper of the Crowne, or rebelliously do deteyne kepe or withdowle frome oure said Soverayn Lorde his heyers or succesours any of his or their Castels Fortresses Fortellesses or Holdes, within this Realme or yn any other the Kynges Domynions or Marches, or rebelliously deteyne kepe or withdowle frome the Kynges said Highnes, his heyers or succesours, any of his or their Shyppes Ordinances Artillarie or other munycions or forti ficacons of Warre, and do not humbly render and gyve up to our said Soverayn Lorde his heyers or succesours, or to suche poynes as shalbe deputed by them, suche Castels Fortresses Fortellesses Holdes Shyppes Ordinances Artillarie and other munycions and forti ficacons of Warre rebelliously kept or deteyned, within vy dayes nexte after theye shalbe comtained by our said Soverayn Lorde his heyers or succesours, by open pcalamacon under the grete Seale, that then everie suche poynse and poynes so offendinge yn any the Fyrmese after the said fyreste day of February, theyr
sydours counsellours consentours and abbettours, beyng thereof lawfully convicted according to the Lawes and Customs of this Realme, shalbe adjuded traitours; and that everie suche offence ye anye the Puisses, that shalbe committed or done after the said fyfte daye of Februarye, shalbe reputed acceptab [ad ']' adjused hygyhe treason, And the offendours therin, and theyr said counsellours consentours and abbettours, beyng lawfully convyned of suche parte offence as is aforesaid, shall have and sustaine suche penyes of Dearth and other penaltys as is lymetred and accustomed in cases of High Treason.

And to thysthen that all treasones shalbe the more drede hated and detrest to be done by anye person or persons, and also because yt is a greate boldnes and an occassyon to yffe disposed persones to adventure and imbrace theyr mallycious intentes and enterpryse, whiche all true subiectes ought to studie to eschewe; Be it therafter enacted by thauthoryte aforesaid that none offendours, yn anye kyndes of Highe Treasons what so ever they be, theyr sydours consentours counsellours nor abbettours, shalbe admittyd to have the benefite or privilege of any mater of [sayyururie;'] considering that matters of treasons toucheth so nigh bothe the sovrynetie of the Kyng our Soverayyne Lordes person and his heires and successors.

And over that be yt enabled by authourythe aforesaid, that if any of the Kynges subjectes, demesnes or other, do commyte or pratyse, oute of the lynetie of this Realme any suche warde pittyes, any suche offences whiche by this acte are made or heretofore have bee made treasones, that then suche treasons, what so they be or where so ever they shall happen so to be done or commytted, shalbe inquired and presentyd, by the othes of twelve goode and lauffle men upon good and [probable'] evydence and wytnesse, yn suche shyre and countie of this Realme and before such persones as hit shall plesse the Kynges Highenes to appoynte by comission under his greate Seale, yn lyke maner and forme as treasons commyttted within this Realme have bryn used to be inquried of and presentyd; and that upon everie biendment and presentiment founden and made of any suche treasons, and certeyned into the Kynges Benche, lyke pese and other circumstance shalbe there had and made against the offendours as yf the same treasons so presentyd had beene laufflely founde to be done and commytted within the lynetie of this Realme; And that all pese of outelarie hereafter to be made and hadd within this Realme agaynst any offendours yn treason, beyng resaunte or inhabityed oute of the lyneties of this Realme or any of the pittyes of beyond the Se at the tymes of the outelarwe pronounced agaynst them, shalbe as good and as effectuall as ye lawe to all ynterests and purpose as yf such offendours had bee resident and dwellyng within this Realme at the tymes of such processe awarded and outelarwe pronounced.

And be yt further enacted by authourythe aforesaid, that everie offendouer and offendours beyng hereafter lauffuly convicted of any mater of High Treason, by presentement confusion verdictly or processe of outelarie according to the due course and custom of the common lawes of this Realme, shall lose and forswyte to the Kynges Highenes his heires and successors all suche landes tenementis and hereditaments whiche any suche offendour or offendours shall have of any easte of inheretence ye use or possessyon, by anye right title or menes, within this Realme of Englyonde or els where withyn any the Kynges Dominions at the tymes of any suche treason commytted or any tymes after. Savinge to everie person and persones thrye heires and successors, other thanne the offendours yn any treasons their heires and successors, and suche persones and persones as clayne to anye ther use, all suche rightes titles interests possessions leases rents offices and other pittyes whiche they shall have at the days of commyttinge suche treasons or any tyne afore, yf as large and ample manner as yt this acte had never ben had nor made.

CHAPTER XIV.

An Acte for nollean and consecrayon of Suffragans within this Realme.

Albe yt that sythen the begynnynge of this present plyment good and honerable ordynances and statutes have ben made and established for electea presentations consecrayons and inveyngye of Archepiscopis and Bishops of this Realme and vn all the other the Kynges Domynyon, withte all ceremonies apperteyninge unto the same, as by sondrie Statutes therof made more at large is specified. Yet nerthelesse no pysyon hitherto hadt be hyn made for Suffragans, whiche have hyn accustomed to be had within this Realme for the more spedye administracion of the Sacramentes and other good holosme and devoute thinges and laudable ceremonies, to theincrese of Goddes honour and for the commodyte of good and devoute people; Be it therafter enacted by authourythe of this present plyment that the Townes of Thetforde, Ipswiche, Colchester, Dover, Gyfford, Southampton, Tawton, Shafesbury, Molton, Marlburgh, Bedford, Leczyest, Gloucester, Shrewsbury, Bruton, Penrith, Bridgewater, Nottingham, Grantham, Hulle, Hunystadon, Cambrydge, and the townes of Perrest, and Berwyke, [Sayunte Germayn in Cornwell'] and the Isle of Wyght, shalbe taken and accepted for Sees of Byshothes Suffragans to be made in this Realme and vn Wales, and the Byshothes of suche Sees shalbe called Suffragans of this Realme: And that everie Archepiscopis and Byshop of this Realme and of Wales elys within the Kynges Domynyon, beyng dispoyesd to have any Suffragane, shall and maye at their libertees name and elect that is to saie everie of theym for their peculyer Diccon, two honest and discreete spiritual persones beyng lerned and of good conversacon, and those two persones so by them to be named shall present to the Kynges Highenes by their writtinge under their seales mykyngye humble request to his Majestie to gyve to one suche of the said two

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