THE XXI. YERE OF

knighte, to conclude a league betwene the kyng and the Duke of Farrar, without the kyng's
knowlege.

Item that he hauing the Frenche pockes presumed to come & breth on the kyng.

Item, that he caused the Cardinalles hat to be put on the kynges coyne.

Item, that he woulde not suffer the kynges clarke of the market, to sit at Sainct Tal-bons.

Item, that he had sent innumerable substauence to Rome, for the obtenying of his digni-
ties to the greate empowerment of the realme.

These Articles with many more, red in the common house, and signed with the Carl-
nalles hande, was confessed by hym, & also ther was shewed a writing sealed with his
Seale, by the whiche he gave to the kyng all his mouables and vnaouables.

On the day of the conception of our Lady, the kyng at Yorke place at Westminster, in
the parliament tyme created the vicount Rochforth Earle of Wilshire, and the vicount Fitz-
water, was created Earle of Sussex, and the Lorde Hastynges was created Earle of Hun-
tyngton.

When allthynges were concluded in the Parliament house, the kyng came to the Parlia-
ment chambr the seuentene day of Decembre, and there put his royall. assent, to al-
thynges done by the Lordses and commons, and so proroged his court of Parliament tyll
the next yere.

After the Parliament was thus ended, the kyng removed to Grenewiche and there kept
his Christemas with the quene in greate triumph: with greate plentie of viaundes, and di-
verse disguisynges and Enterludes, to the greate rejoyysynge of his people.

You haue harde before how the Emperor and the Pope was at Bononie, wher the Em-
perour made great preparacion for the solemynysynge of his coronacion, which was ap-
pointed to be of Saint Mathias day, or the foure and twentie day of February, on whych
day, he was borne, and that day also the French kyng was taken, and because that that
day had ben euer fortunaty he appoyncted his coronacion on that day: he appoyncted it also
at that place, because he woulde the soner passe into Almayne, to appease suche striefes and
debates as was risen betwene the princes there.

And so wha the day came & euery thing was redy, he was crowned Emperor, in the
churche of S. Peter, in the cite of Bononi by pope Cleméth the. vii. with al the ceremonies
thereto beloning. At this coronacion wer present the Dukes of Savooy and Millayn, duke
Frederik brother to the Palatine of Rine, and the deputies to all the seuen Electors and the
mooste parte of al the nobles of Italy, and Spayne. This coronacion was done with great
solemnities, there was feasting, iustynge and torney, and althinges that might sounde to
honoure was there shewed, bothe in apparell, and viaundes: and after that the Emperoure
and the Pope, with the hole college of Cardinalles, and al the noble men beyng present
rode in procession through the lie strethes of Bononi, with suche a pomp and triumph as
had not bene sene in Italy many yeres before.

While the Emperour lay thus at Bononie, the kyng of Englande was advertised by his
ambassadoures, which he had sent to divers vniuersities for the assolyung of the doublte
cöccernyng his mariage, that the saied vniuersities wer agreed and had clerly concluded,
that the one brother to mary the other brothers wife, carnally knowne was directlie against
Gods lawe, and that the pope nor the court of Rome could in no wise dispence with the
same.

Wherefore the kyng knowyng the emperour and the bishop of Rome to be together at Bo-
nonie, determined to send thether a solempne ambassade, both to declare to them the law
of God, and the determinacion of the vniuersities, and also to require the bishop of Rome
to do Iustice acordyng to the truth, and also to shewe to the Emperoure that the kyng
did not move this matter for any displeasure that he bare to him or the quene his awnt, but
only for the discharge of his conscience, and for the quietnes of his Realme.

When this purpose was agreed by the kynges counsayle, the kyng appoyncted Sir Thomas
Bulleyne
KYNG HENRY THE VII.

Bulleyne late created Earle of Wylyshier and Doctor Stoksley elected bishop of London, and Doctor Edward Lee, his almoner, two great Clarkes, for his ambassadours & with them he set divers doctors both of the lawe & dinnitie. These ambassadours made great preparation, and about the begynnynge of Februarie thei set forward, and so muche thei travailed that they came to Savoy wher the Duke in the fayre toune of Cumbray, caused them honorably to be receiued and rested.

So they passed the Mountaynes, and so through the duchie of Millain & by long iornayes thei came to Bononie in lent, wher they were honorably receiued by the master of the Empoure house, and divers Lordes and Gentlemen belonging to the Pope, and within short space the said ambassadours were first conueighe to the Pope, and there declared their message and shewed the determinacion of the great Doctors and famous vniuersities. Pope Clement whiche was a man of no learnyng but of a great wit made to them a gentle answere, and said that he woulde here the matter disputed when he came to Rome and according to right he woulde do Justice. But his entent was all contrarie, for he knew well that if he should gene sentence, that Pope Iuly could not dispence with the breache of Godes lawe, that then the authoritie of the courte of Rome would little be regarded, and also he feared the Empouers displeasure if he shoule gene sentence against his awnte, so that for feare of losing authoritie, & of the emperour displeasure, bishop Clement, durst not Judge according to Goddes lawe. After they had bene with the Pope, they came to the Empourer, whiche them gently receiued, and after they had done their message, he answered them that he in no wise would be against the lawe of God, and if the court of Rome would aduidge that the matrimonie were not good, he would be cott, but he thought all otherwise, for he solicited the pope & all the Cardinalles which wer his frendes to staid by the dispesacion, which he judged to be as strong as Goddes lawe. After this answere they take ther leaue of the Emperor, which the nexte weke after departed out of Bononie towarde Almayne in good ordre of bataill, he him selfe in gilt harnes, and his nobles in white harnes with riche cotes and trappers very curiously besene.

After that the emperour was gon out of Bononie, the ambassadours of England toke ther leaue of the bishop of Rome, whiche went toward Rome agaynse, and returned toward England, through the Duchy of Millayn, whiche was receiued by the Earle Lodouick, great counsailor to the Duke of Millain, which earle conducted them through the whole Duchy of Millayne, & paied all their charges by the dukes commaundemet. And whiche these ambassadors wer passed the mountaynes, they receiued letters fro the kyng, which appoincted the Earle of Wilshire to goe ambassadore to the French king, which then lay at Burdeaux makynge praision for money for the redenyng of his children: and the bishop of London was appoynted to go to Padua, and other vniuersities in Italy to know their opinions in the kynges case, and the kynges almoner was appoincted to retorne into England, and so he did, thus was the end of this ambassad.

You haue hard before how the Cardinall was attaint in the premunire and how he was put out of the office of the chauncellor and lay at Asher: In this Lent season the kyng by the aduice of his counsayle licenced him to go into his diocesse of Yorke, and gaue him commaundemet to kepe hym in his diocese and not to retorne southwarde without the kynges speciall licence in wrinting.

So he made great praision to go Northward and appareled his seruantes newely & bought many costely thinges for his houshold & so he might wel inough, for he had of the kynges cotes the bishopprickes of Yorke & Winche ster, which wer no small thinges, but at this time divers of his seruantes departed from him to the kynges seruice, and in especiall Thomas Crumwell one of his chief counsayle and chefe doer for him in the suppressio of abbeis. After that all thinges necessarie for his iornay wer prepared, he toke his iornay northward til he came to Southwel which is in his diocesse & ther he continued this yere, ever grudging at his fall as you shall here after: but the lades which he had geue to his Colleges in Oxforde & Ypswych, were now come to the kynges handes, by his atteinder in the premunire, and