willyngly discover to any person: the Papacie of Rome, the rules of the holy fathers, and
the Regalie of sainct Peter, I shall help and retain, and defende against all men: the Le-
gate of the Sea Apostolicke, goyng and commyng I shall honourably entreate, the rightes,
honors, priuileges, authorities of the Churche of Rome, and of the Pope and his succes-
sors, I shall cause to be conserved, defended, augmented and promoted, I shall not bee in
counsail, treatie, or any acte, in the whiche any thyng shalbe imagined against hym, or
the Churche of Rome, there rightes, states, honors, or powers. And if I knowe any suche
to bee moued or compassed, I shall resist it to my power, and as sone as I can, I shall ad-
vertise hym or suche as make geue hym knowledge. The rules of the holy fathers, the De-
crees, Ordinances, Sentences, Disposicions, Reseruacions, Prouisions, and Commande-
mentes Apostolicke, to my power I shall kepe and cause to be kept of other: Heretickes,
Sismatikes and rebelles to our holy father and his successors, I shall resist and persecute
to my power, I shall come to the Sinode, when I am called, except I be letted by a Canoni-
call impediment, the lightes of the Apostles I shall visite yerely personally, or by my de-
putie, I shall not alien nor sell my possessions, without the Popes Counsaill: so God me
helpe and the holy Evangelistes.”

“I Ihon Bishop of A. utterly renounce and clerely forsake all suche clauses, woordes,
sentences and grantea, whiche I have or shall have here after, of the Popes holines, of
and for the Bishopricke of A. that in any wise hath been, is or hereafter maie bee hurtefull
or prejudicial to your highnes, your heires, successors, dignitie, priuilege, or estate royall:
and also I dooe swere, that I shalbe faithfull and true, and faite and truth I shall beare
to you my soveraigne lorde, and to your heires kynges of thesame, of life and lynme, &
yearthly worship aboue all creatures, for to live and dye with you and yours, against all
people, and diligently I shalbe attendant, to all your needs and busines, after my witt and
power, and your counsaill I shall kepe and holde, knowlegyng my selfe to hold my bishop-
ricke of you oonly, bescheying you of restitution of the temporalties of thesame, promis-
yng as before, that I shalbe faithfull, true, and obedient subject to your said highnes heires,
and successors duryng my life, and the services and other thynges dewe to your highnes, for
the restitucion of the Temporalities, of thesame Bishoprikke I shall truly doe and obedi-
ently perfourme, so God me helpe and all sainctes.”

The openyng of these othes, was one of the occasions, why the Pope within two yere
folowyng, lost all his iurisdiction in Englane, as you shall here afterward. The xvii. daie
parlament was proroged, til the iii. daie of February next ensuyng. After whiche pro-
rogacion, sir Thomas More Chaunceller of Englaide, after long sutes made to the kyng to be
dischargd of that office, the xvi. daie of Maie he deliuered to the kyng, at Westmin-
ster, the grete Scale of Englane, and was with the kynges favor discharged, whiche
Scale the kyng kept til Whitsuntide folowyng, and on the Mondaie in Whitsun weke, he
dubbed Thomas Awdeley, Spoke of the parliament knight, and made hym lorde keper of the
great Scale, and so was he called.

The kyng beyng in prograsse this Sommer, was advertised that the Pope and the Frenche
Kyng, had appointed to mete at Marcellus in Province, in the beginning of the nexte
Spryng, wherefore the kyng like a wise and politike prince, thought it convenient to
speake with the Frenche kyng in his awne persone, before the Pope and he should come
togther, and to declare to hym both the determinacion, of the Universities and Doctors
concernyng his Matrimonie, and also the generall counsaill, whiche ordained suche causes,
to be tried in the provinces and countrees, where the doubt should rise, trustyng that the
Frenche kyng should cause the Pope to encline to Goddes law, and to leaue his awne
tradicions and voyde dispensacions, whereupon bothe the princes concluded, to mete in
October folowyng, betwene Calice & Bulleyn: wherefore the kyng of Englane sent out his
letters, to his nobilitie, prelates, and seruauntes, commandyng them to bee ready at
Cantarbury, the xxvi. daie of September, to passe the Seas with hym, for the accomplishing
of the enteretue, betwene hym and his brother the Frenche kyng. Many men were sory to