

BRUTUM FULMEN: BULL of the Pope Pius V. Concerning the Damnation, Excommunication, and Deposition Q. ELIZABETH as also the Absolution of her Subjects of their Oath of Allegiance with a Peremptory Injunction, upon Pain of an Anathema, never to Obey any of her Laws or Commands. With some Observations and Animadversions upon it: By THOMAS Lord Bishop of Lincoln. Whereunto is Annexed the Bull of Pope Paul the Third, Containing the Damnation, Excommunication, &c. of King Henry the Eighth

Bull of Pius V

<p>The Damnation and Excommunication of Elizabeth Queen of England and her Adherents, with an Addition of other punishments.</p>	<p>Damnatio & Excommunicatio Elijabethae Regime Angliae, eique Adhaerentium, cum aliarum paenarum Adjectione</p>
<p>Pius Bishop, Servant to God's Servants, for a perpetual memorial of the matter,</p>	<p>Pius Episcopus, Servus Servorum Dei ad perpetuam Rei memoriam.</p>
<p>He that, to reigneth whom is given all Power in Heaven & in Earth, committed one Holy, Catholick and Apostolick Church (out of which there is no Salvation) to one alone upon Earth, namely, to Peter the Prince of the Apostles, and to Peter's Successor the Bishop of Rome, to be governed in fulness of Power. Him alone he made Prince over all People, and all Kingdoms, to pluck up, destroy, scatter, consume, plant and build, that he may contain the faithful that are knit together with the band of Charity, in the Unity of Spirit, and present them spotless, and unblameable to their Saviour.</p>	<p>Regnans in Excelsis, cue data est Omnis in Coelo & in Terra Potestas, unam Sanblam, Catholicam & Apofiolicam Ecclefiam (extra qnam nulla est salus) soli in terris, videlicet Apostolornm Principi Petro Petrique Successori Romano Pontifici, in Poteftatis plenitudine tradidit Gubernandam Hunc unum fuper omnes Gentes & omnia Regna Principem confituitu qui evellat, deftrnat, dissipet, disperdat, plantet y & aedificet, ut fidelem populum, mutae Charitatis, nexu constrictum, in unitate Spiritus contineat, salvuque & incolumem suo exhibeat salvatori.</p>
<p>§. I. In discharge of which Function, we which are by goodness called to the Government of the aforesaid Church, do spare no pains, labouring with all earnestness, that Unity, and the Catholica Religion (which the Author thereof hath for the trial of his Children's Faith, and for our amendment, suffered with so great Afflictions) might be preserved uncorrupt: But the number of the ungodly hath gotten such power, there is now no place in the whole World, which they have not assayed to corrupt with their most wicked Doctrines: Amongst others, Elizabeth, the pretended Queen of England, a Slave of Wickedness, lending thereunto her helping hand, with whom, as in a Sanctuary, the most pernicious of all men have found a Refuge. This very Woman having seized on the Kingdom, and monstrously usurping the place of Supream Head of the Church in all England, and the chief Authority and Jurisdiction thereof, hath again brought back the said Kingdom into miserable destruction, which was then newly reduced to the Catholick Faith and good Fruits.</p>	<p>§. I. Quo quidem in munere ebeundo, Nos as predictae Ecclestiae gubenacula Dei Benignitate vocati, nullum laborem intermittimus, omni opera contententes, ut ipsa Unitas, & (Catholick Religio (quam illius Auctor ad probandam suorum sidem, & correctionem nostram, tantis procellis conflitari permisit) integra conservetur. Sed Impiorum numerus tantum potentia invaluit, ut nulls jam in Orbe locus sit relictus, quem illi pessimis doctrinis corrumpere non tentarint, adnitente inter Ceteros flagitiorum serva Elizabeth, pretensia Angliae Regina; ad quam, veluti ad asylum, omnium inestissimi profugium invenerunt. Haec eadem Regno occupato, supremi Ecclesie capitis locum, in omni Anglia, ejusque praecipuam Authoritatem atque Jurisdictionem monstruose sibi usurpans, regnum ipsum jam tum ad sidem Catholicam & bonam frugem reductum, rufus in exitium miserum revocavit.</p>

§. 2. For having by strong hand inhibited the exercise of the true Religion, which Mary lawful Queen of famous memory had by the help of this See restored, after it had been formerly overthrown by Henry the Eighth, a Revolter there from and following and embracing the Errors of Hereticks, me hath removed the Royal Council consisting of the English Nobility, and filled it with obscure men, being Hereticks, oppressed the Emperors of the Catholick Faith, placed impious Preachers, Ministers of Iniquity, abolished the Sacrifice of the Mass, Prayers, Fastings, Choice of Meats, Unmarried Life, and the Catholick Rites and Ceremonies. Comanded Books to be read in the whole Realm containing manifest Heresie; and impious Mysteries and Institutions, by her self enertained and observed according to the Prescript of Calvin, to be likewise observed by her Subjects presumed to throw Bishops, Parsons of Churches, and other Catholick Priests, out of their Churches and Benefices; and to bestow them and other Church Livings, upon Hereticks, and to determine of Church Causes prohibited the Prelates Clergy, and People to acknowledge the Church of Rome, or obey the Precepts and Canonical Sanctions thereof, compelled most of them to condescend to her wicket Laws, and abjure the Authority and Obedience of the Bishop of Rome and to acknowledge her to be sole Lady in Temporal and Spiritual matters, and this by Oath imposed Penalties and Punishments upon those which obeyed not, and exacted them of those which persevered in the unity of the Faith and their Obedience aforesaid, cast the Catholick Prelates and Rectors of Churches in Prison, where many of them, being spent with long languishing and sorrow, miserably ended their lives. All which things, seeing they are manifest and notorious to all Nations, and by the gravest Testimony of very many so substantially proved, that there is no place at all left for Excuse, Defence, or Evasion.

§.3. We seing that impieties and wicked actions are multiplied one upon another; and moreover, that the persecution of the faithful, and affliction for Religion, groweth every day heavier and heavier, through the Instigation and Means of the said Elizabeth, because we understand her mind to be so hardned and indurate, that she hath not only condemned the godly Requests and Admonitions of Catholick Princes, concerning her healing and conversion, but also hath not so much as permitted the Nuncios of this See, to cross the Seas into England, are strained of necessity to betake our selves to the Weapons of Justice against her, not

§. 2. Vsit namque verae Religionis, quam ab illim desertore Henrico VIII. Olim eversam, Clare M m. Maria regina legitima, hujum Sedis Presidio reparaverat, potenti mani inhibito, secutifque e apiplexis Htreticorum erroribm, Regiun Confiliumex Anglica Nobilitate confectum diremit illudque obscuris hominibus Hereticis complevit, Catholicae Fidei cultores oppressit, improbos Concionatores, at que Impietatum Administros reposuit, Missae Sacrificium Preces, Jejunia Ciborum dilectum, Ritosque Catholicos abolevit. Libros manifestani Haeresim continentes, toto Regin proponi, impia Mysteria, & instituta ad Calvini Praescriptum a fe sussepta, & observata, etiam a subsitis observari mandavit. Episcopos, Ecclesiarum, Rectores, & alios Sacerdotes Catholicos, suis Ecclesiis Beneficiis ejicere ac de illis & aliis Ecclesiasticis rebus in hereticos homines disponere deq; Ecclesiae causis decenere ausa, Praelatis clero, & Populo, ne Romanam Ecclesiam agnoscerent, neve ejus Praeceptis, Sanctionibusque Canonicis obtemperarent, Interdixit; plerosque in nefarias leges suas venire, & Romani Pontificis Antloritatem at que obedientiam abjurare seque solam, in Temporalibus Spiritualibus Dominam agnoscere jure jurando coegit; paenas & supplicia in cos qui dicto non essent Audientes, Imposuit eademque ab iis, qui in unitate fidei & predicta Obedientia perseverarunt, Exergit. Catholicos Antistites & Ecclesiarum Rectores in vincula conjecit, ubi multi diurno Languore & Tristitia Confetti, Extremum vita diem misere finiverunt. Qua omnia cum opud Omnes Nationes perspicua & notoria sunt, & gravissimo quam plurimorum Testimonio ita comprobata, ut nullus omnino locus Excusationis, Defensionis, aut, Tergiversationis relinquatur.

§. 3. Nos multiplicantibus aliis atque aliis super alias Impietatibus, & facinoribus, & preterea fidelium perfecutione, Religionisque afflictione, impulsu & Opera, d. Elizabeth quotidie magis Ingravescente, quoniam illius animum ita obfirmatum atque indutratum Intelligimus, ut non modo pias Catholicorum Principum de fanitate & conversione, preces, monitionesque contempserit, sed ne hujue quidem fedis ad ipsam hac de causa Nuncios in Angliam trajicere permiserit; ad Arma Justitiae contra cam de necessitate conversi, dolorem lenire non possumus, quod Adducamur in unam animadvertere, Cujus majores de Republica Christiana tantopere merucre; Illius itaque Aucioritate

<p>being able to mitigate our sorrow, that we are drawn to rake punishment upon one, to whose Ancestors the whole State of Christendom hath been so much bounden. Being therefore supported with his Authority, whose pleasure it was to place Us (though, unable for so great a burthen) in this Supream Throne of Justice, we do out of the fulness of our Apostolick Power, declare the aforefaid Elizabeth being an Heretick, and a favourer of Hereticks, and her Adherents in the matters aforefaid, to have incurred the sentence of Anathema, and to be cut off from the Unity of the Body of Christ.</p> <p>§. 4. And moreover, we do declare Her to be deprived of her pretended Title to the Kingdom aforesaid, and of all Dominion, Dignity, and Priviledge whatsoever.</p> <p>§.5. And also the Nobility, Subjects, and People of the Said Kingdom, and all others, which have in any sort sworn unto her, to be for ever absolved from any such Oath, and all manner of Duty of Dominion, Allegiance, and Obedience As we also do by Authority of these Presents absolve them, and do her pretended Title to the Kingdom, & all other things abovesaid. And we do Command and Interdict all and every the Noblemen, Subjects People, and others aforesaid, that they presume not to obey her, or her Monitions, Mandates, and Laws: And those which shall do the contrary, We do innodate with the like Sentence of Anathema.</p> <p>§.6. And because it were a matter of too much difficulty, to convey these Presents to all places wheresoever it shall be needful, our will is, that the Copies thereof, under a publick Notaries hand, and sealed with the Seal of an Ecclesiastical Prelate, or of his Court, shall carry altogether the same Credit with all People, Judicial and Extrajudicial, as these Presents should do, if they were exhibited or shewed. Given at the Incarnation of our Lord, 1570. the Fifth of the Calends of May and of our Popedom the Fifth year.</p>	<p>suffulti, Qui Nos in hoc Supremo Justitiae Throno, licet tanto Oneri Impares, voluit Collocare, de Apostolicae potestatis plenitudine declaramus praedictam Elizabeth Hereticam, hereticorumque fautricem, eique adherentes in praedictis, Anathematis sententiam incurrisse, esseque a Christi Corporis unitate praecifos.</p> <p>§. 4. quin etiam ipsam praetense Regni praedicti jure, necnon omni & quocunque Deminio, Dignitate, Privilegioque privatam.</p> <p>§. 5. Et etiam Proceres, subditos, & populos dicti Regni, ac caeteros omnes qui illi quomodocunque juraverunt. A Juramento hujusmodi, ac omni prorsus Domini, Fidelitatis, & obsequii debito, perpetuo absolutos, prout Nos illos Praesentium Auctoritate absolvimus, & privamus eandem Elizabeth pratense Jure Regni, aliisque Omnibus supradictis. Praecipimusque & Interdecimus Univerfis & singulis proceribus, subditis, populis, & aliis praeditis, ne illi ejusve monitis, Mandatis, & Legibus audeant obedire. Qui secus egerint, eos simili Anathematis Sententia innodamus.</p> <p>§.6. Quia vero difficile mimis effet, Praesentes quocunque illis Opus erit perferre, volumus, ut eorum exempla, Netarij publici manu, & Praelati Ecclesiastici, ejusve Curiae Sigillo Obsignata eandem illam prorfus fidem in Judicio, & extra illud, ubique Gentium faciant, quam ipsae Praesentes facerent, sieffent exhibitae vel oftense. Dat' Romae, apud Sanctum Petriim, Anno Incarnationis Dominicae 1570. 5. Cal. Maij Pontificat nostri Anno 5.</p>
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