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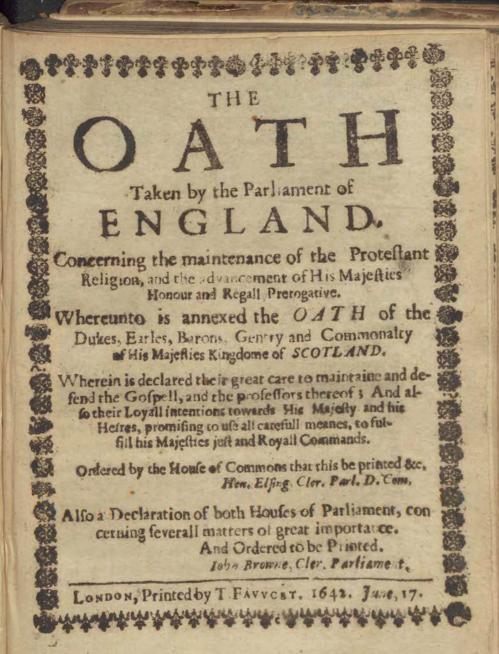
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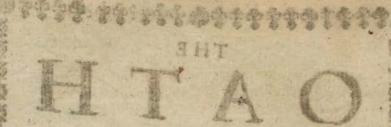
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Taken by the Parl ament of

ENGLAND

Concerning the maintenance of the Protestant

Meington, and the disconnect of His Majorhies

Honour and Regall Precognises.

Whereunto is annexed the OATH of the Dides Heles, Barnes Genery and Commonalty of the Majedies Stagdone of SCOTEAND.

Wherein is declared their great care to marriaine and defend the Goffell, and the proleffors thereoff. And alforbeit boyall intentions towards the Majesty and his Gottes, promiting of ulvali careful meanes, rothleful his Majestees jud and Royalt Communic.

Ordered by the Haufe of Commons that this be printed Sec. Here E. C. ler. Park. D. Com.

Alfo a Declaration of both Houles of Parliament, con certaing feverall matrey of great importal cost.

And Ordered to be P. seed.

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Loudon, Printedby T. Favveir. 1619. Jan 17.



The Oath taken by the Parliament and by them prescribed to be more taken by all his Maiesties lovall Subjects:

Parliaments, and Councels, it bath beene customarily used among the Members, thereof, as their first comming together, to take at Oath both before God and Man, Protesting not to determine or execute any thing, course ty to the word of God, or prejudiciall to the Honour of His Maniesty, unnely that all a beir Studies, and dererminante us, should be ample yed to the increase of Gods Gluty, the advancement of his Maniesties Honour, and the Peace and quiet free domic and biest, prosperaty of Church and Comamon, Weale.

Which Oath and Protestation, is as well for the inducement of orders (lanit, all his Maich ies loye all Subjects.) as themselves, since his not in their power to performe what they protest, with out the A 2

affidance of fuch his Milefties Sibiects as faill be. comminded by them, to the fulfilling of whole commanis such an Outh and Procedution binds.

And to the End that none may be ignorant or plead excuse, after that they have themselves taken the faid Oath or Protestation, they cause is to be published in prive, that every man may know what they have promised, and what they are to command, and likewife what his owne dutie is, and must be, if he defire to have any share or portion in their-religious Protection.

An exact resumony I will give you, of this, which has been lately done, and is at this day fresh in your

memories.

At the late Parliament held in Scotland, in the

Teare of our Lord 1641.

At the Nationall Assembly, they tooke an Oath, which I have here published for your better fatisfaction.

The Oath taken by the Parliament

in Scotland

For so much, as the honour, greatnesse, and happinesse of the Kings Royall Maiety, and the welfare of the Subjects, dependent on the purity of Religion; (as it is now established in this Kingdome) the Lawes, Liberties, and peace thereof, which ought to be fought after by all good Christians, loyall Subjects, and true Patriors; And to be furthered and maintained by them, against all such, as by any means endeavour to thike or subvert the fame.

Therefore we under Subferibers and every one Us, doe in the presence of Almighty God, promife and vow that in this prefent Parliament, We shall fairlifully and freely ipeak, answer, & expre se our felves upon all and every thing, which is, or shall be proposed to far re as we thinke in our Confcie.ce, may conduce to the glory of God, the good and prace of the Church, and State of this Kingdone. And imploy our best endeavours to promove the same : And shall in no wayes advise, voice, nor confent to any thing which to our best knowledge we think not most expedient & conduceable thereto. As also that we shall maintaine and defend with our lives, power, and estare, his Majesties Royall Perfon, honor, and effere, as is expressin our Nationall Covenant. And likewife, the power and priviledges of Parliaments; And the lawfull rights and liberties of the Subjects: And by all good means and waies, oppole and endeavour to bring to exact tryall all fuch as either by force, practife, counfell, plots, confpiracies, or otherwise have done, or shill doe any thing in prejudice of the purity of Religion, the Lawes, Liberties, and peace of the Kingdome: And further, that We shall in all just and honovrable wayes, enfeavour to preferve Union and Peace betwist the three Kingdomes, Scotland, England, and Ireland: A decither for hope, feare, nor other respect, shall relinquish this Vow and Promise.

Readin the Actionce of Parliament, who approves the Rame, and appointed the faine to be taken by all members, of this Parliament in lin all Parliaments hereafter, before they passe to any Act or determination.

A. 3

This:

This I have denowith intent to filence fome may licious conques seed malignant Spirits who hold it unlawfull for a Parliamete, to impole an Outh (by them leives taken) on the Subject, for it is apparaute ly knowne, that this Qath was with willing at the faken by the Gigardy and Layity, obtain Kingdoms, and at this prefent is justified by the wholebody of the Kingdoms, wittesse the rune Pention Presonted to the Lords of the privy Councell of Septland. Now give me leave, thaving Thewne you by whar president the Parliament of Sagland hathapa raken an Oath themselves and imposeth it on other his Maieffice loving Subjects, and although tomo Mas liciously object that such an Oath quant not to be impostd, but when necessity acquires it, and paying that at this time there is no fughanece flity. I and were that if the objectors heart were loyall, or his judgement grounded on reason, be would not, nescould not be ignorant of the perethey, and of the berefit received in but he taking a fuch to Gathe if for iously neighd, and confeionably applyed, fince the duries were levelulf in themselves before this imposition not taking Law and Authority from their prefere comands but their commands taking Aprhority from precedent homes, which the with Courses Parkemento blarkings thought in necessary (having presidents from times past, and present Examples for the future) to take this Oath chemieles, and corecommend its routhlis writether toring Subrects, chaft hey might with the like affection manifelt their Zeale cowards God, and their loyalties to his Maiefly.

Tle

The manner and Exact Forme of which Outh I have fet downe as followeth,

A. B. doe in the presence of Almighty God, Promife, You, and Protest, to maintain and defend as lanfully 3 may, with my life, power, and effate, the true Reformed Processions Religious, expressed in the Dodrine of the Church of England, against all Popery and Popilh Innovations within this Realme, contrary to the same Doctrine, and according to the duly of my diegiance, this majefies Royall Person, Honous and Espaces as also she Fower and Prettiledges of Parliament; The lawfull Rights and Deberties of the Subject, and every perfor that maketh this Prosestation, in what factor he final doe in the lanfull pur funnce of the fame. And comp Ponces and as fare as tempulas ly trous, I mil spofe, and ly alborad wayes and mennes endea town to bring to condione punt funers, all fact as Shalle ther by Porce, Practice, Counfels, Plots, Confirm racies, or otherwife, due any thing in this preferit Protestation continued. And further, that the altin all just and Honorable wayes extendeur to preferre the Val nion and Peace between the three Kingdomes of England, Scorland and Ireland; And neither for hope, feare, no other respects, shall relinguish this Promise, Vow, and Protestation in In I ni shoul and we berein

This I leave to thy confideration, defining thee feriously to confider the necessity of the Oath imposed by the High Court of Parliament, with all the Esticacy and Benefit thou that receive by the cheerefull performance of what thou hast Protested.

Thus

Religious Faith increase, I leave three to GOD, who no doubt will guide thee through this Laborinth, and convert all our feares to a Religious Joy.

Die Sabbathi it. Junii, 1642.

T is this day ordered by the Lords in Parliament affembled, That a first Search and Examination shall bee made by the Justices of Peace, Majors, Bayliffes, Conflables, and other His Majestics Officers, inhabiting, or necreading and staying of all Armes, Ammunition, Powder, Light-horles, or Horses for Service in the Warres, and great Saddles that are, or shall be carryed towards the North parts of England, but by the privity and direction of one, or both of the Houses of Parliament; And that the said Officers shall stay them accordingly, and speedily give Information thereof unto one of the said Houses of Parliament.

Dio Mercurii, 15 Junii, 1642.

Ordered by the Lords in Parliament, That this be
Printed and Published.

Cler. Parliament.

the Efficient and De. 21 N 1 3 of receive so the chronefull performance of what thou hall Prod-