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The Bible and Apocrypha, now lately with great industry and diligence recognised (by Edm. Beche) translated by T. MATTHEW, with TYNDALE'S LAST CORRECTIONS, printed by the Books of C. PHILIPPS (of the Reign of R. James I.) this following Year, 1641. A large & good copy of the Bible, which was printed in Gothic type, with numerous woodcut cuts in the frontispiece and in the centre breadth of the page.

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"Many and troubling are the tales recited respecting its circulation and use. Sometimes it was read in the secret chamber, or in the field and forests, far away from the haunts of men, and some times it was concealed from the prying search of curriers, in warehouses under heaps of fleas, in cottages under the eaves, and in many other ways which by your ingenuity devised."

This edition is of great importance to the study of the English Bible. It may be called the second version, as it was the first after Coverdale's. It was printed in London, and is the first of the Bible printed in the reign of Edward VI. It was printed in the year 1540, and is the first of the Bible printed in the reign of Edward VI. It was printed in the year 1540, and is the first of the Bible printed in the reign of Edward VI.

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