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THE RECANTATION

Of Thomas Cranmer late Bilhoppe of Can-
terberpe translated faythfully out of
Latin into Englishe.

I Thomas Cranmer do forsake and Curse all Luthers and
Suyngleans herelies: and what so euer teaching is contrary
to hollome dottrine I confesse or acknowledge: and beieue mo-
stedfastly that there is one holy Catholique vilsible Church
with out the Whiche there is no Saluation. And I do all
acknowledge the highest head of the same Church to be th
Bysshoppe of Rome: Whiche I do confesse a Bysshoppe and th
Pope and vicare of Christ vnder the Which all christien or faith-
full people are bounden to be as subiects and obedient persons.
More ouer: I touchyng the Sacraments I do beieue & worship
the very body and blod of Christ in the Sacrament of the ault ar
moste trulpe to be conteyned vnder neth the formes or kyndes of
bread and Wyne without any trope and sygure the substances of
the bread & Wyne beyng turned & changyd into the body & blod of
our redemer throughe godes power. Also I do beieue & hold in the
other Sire Sacramentes as in this: that Whiche the vniuersall
church holdeth the holy church of Rome. Ferthermore I do be-
leue purgatorie a place Where the soules of men departed are pu-
nished for a sealon: for the Which the church praieyth hoieiy & hol-
somylyke as it worshippeth saints & praieyth to them. Fynally
I do professe or openly graūt that I do iudge in al thinges none
other thynge then that: Whiche the holy catholike and Church
of Rome doth holde: & I repent that euer I dyd iudge or thynke
and hold otherwyle: & I beseech god humbly that he thorough his
pity or mercy wold forgine me the thynge which I haue com-
mytted against hym: and his church. Also I beseeche and praye
the faythfull people to praye for me: I beseeche them by the blod
of Iesus Christ which are decepued cyther throughe myne ex-
ample or doctrine that they wold returne againe vnto the vnitie
of the church: and that we all saye one thynge that there be not
amongest vs Schismes or diuisions in Christes religion. Finally
as I submit my self to the catholique Church and to the highe
head of hit: euen so I submitt my selfe to Philippe and Marie
Kynge and Quene of England: and to their lawes and de-
crees: and I call god to wytnesse that I haue made this con-
fessio to please no man nor throughe feare of any man: but hertly
& most wyllingly to preuyde for my owne soule and other mens:
also and to discharge them both.

By me Thomas Cranmer.

Weryng wytnes to this subscription.

Freere John of the citie of Garcine Spaynerd.
Henry Spdall Canon of Chrestes church in Orford.
Nicholas Wodson of the same church Spynnyng man.

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