

them, the Archbishop of Canterbury alone; after him, the Bishops of Lincoln, Ely, Rochester, and saint Asaph; next them, with some small distance, follows a Gentleman bearing the purse, with the great seal, and the Cardinal's hat; then two Priests, bearing each a silver cross; then a Gentleman-usher bare headed, accompanied with a Serjeant at arms bearing a mace; then two Gentlemen, bearing two silver pillars; after them, side by side, the two Cardinals, two Noblemen with the sword and mace. The King takes place under the cloth of state; the two Cardinals sit under him as Judges. The Queen takes place some distance from the King. The Bishops place themselves on each side the court in manner of a consistory: below them, the Scribes. The Lords sit next the Bishops. The rest of the attendants stand in convenient order about the stage.

Wol. **W**HILST our commission from Rome is read,
Let silence be commanded.

King. What's the need?
It hath already publickly been read,
And on all sides th' authority allow'd;
You may then spare that time.

Wol. Be't so: — proceed.

Scribe. Say, Henry king of England, come into the court.

Crier. Henry king of England, &c.

King. Here.

Scribe. Say, Catharine queen of England,
Come into the court.

Crier. Catharine, queen of England, &c.

[*The Queen makes no answer, rises out of her chair, goes about the court, comes to the King, and kneels at his feet; then speaks:*]

Queen. Sir, I desire you do me right and justice,
And to bestow your pity on me: for
I am a most poor woman, and a stranger,
Born out of your dominions; having here
No judge indiff'rent, and no more assurance
Of equal friendship and proceeding. Alas, sir,

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