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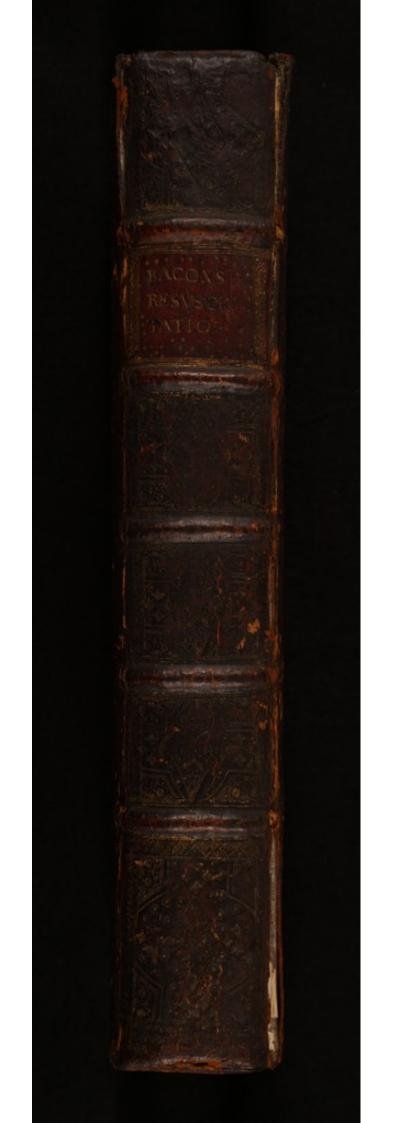
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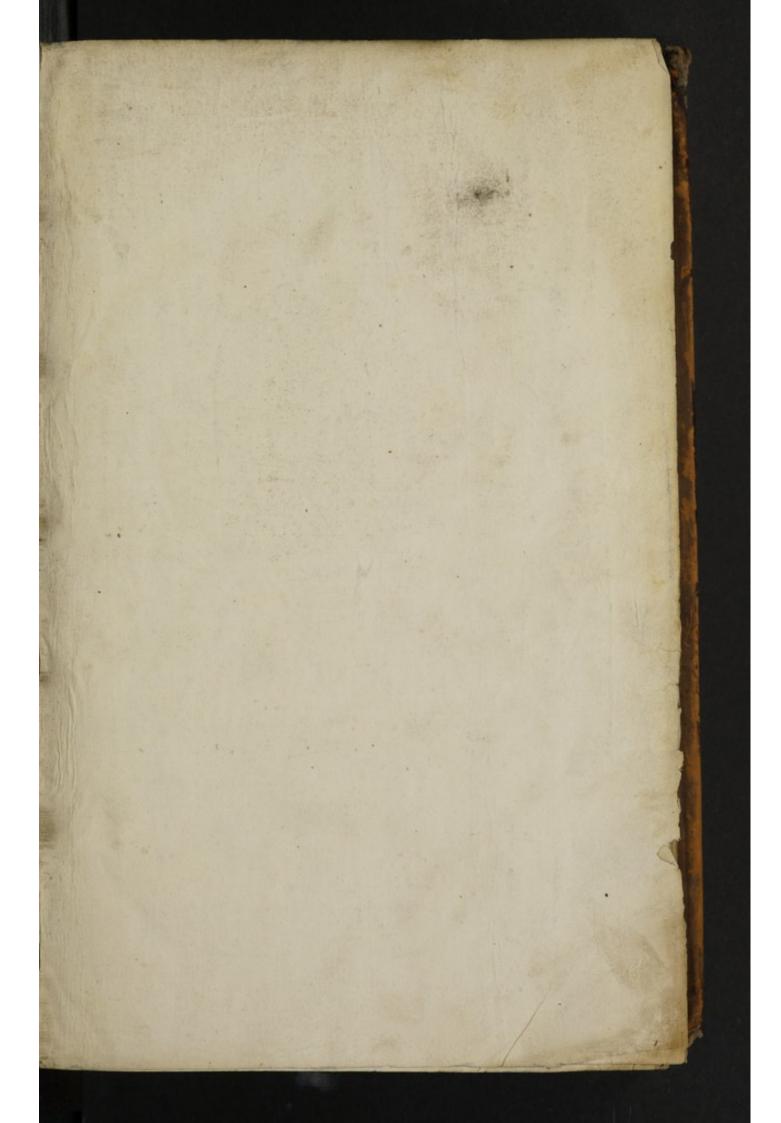


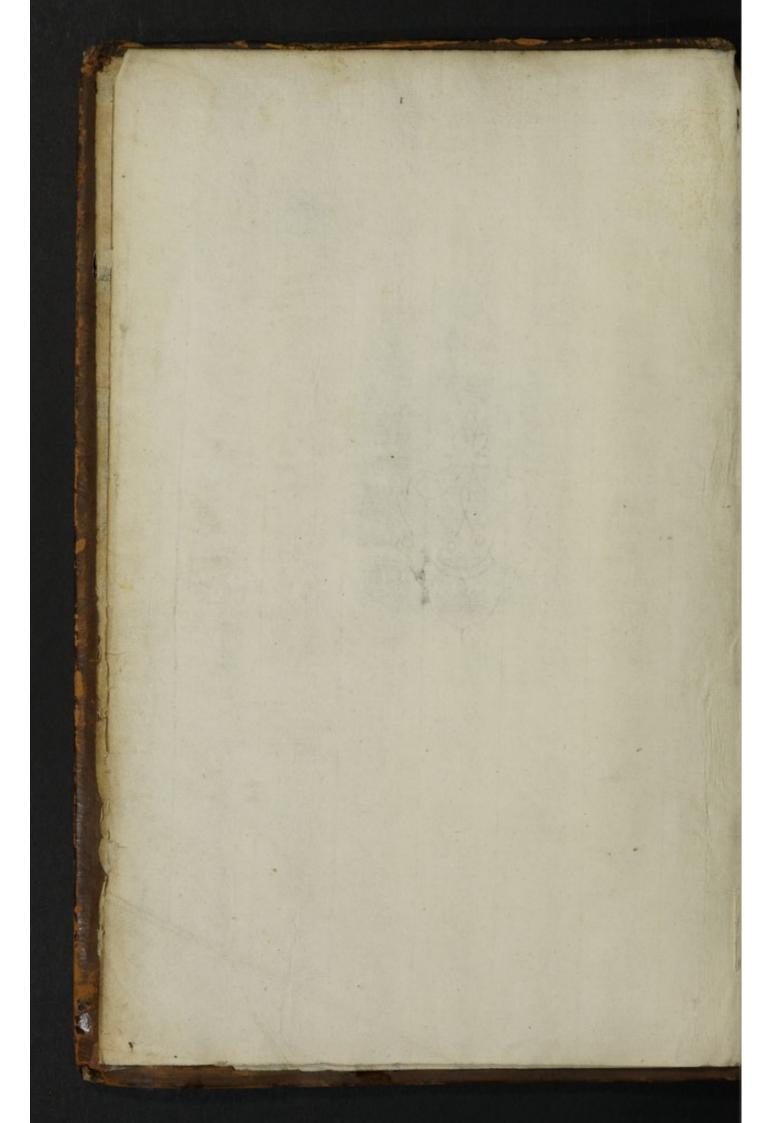


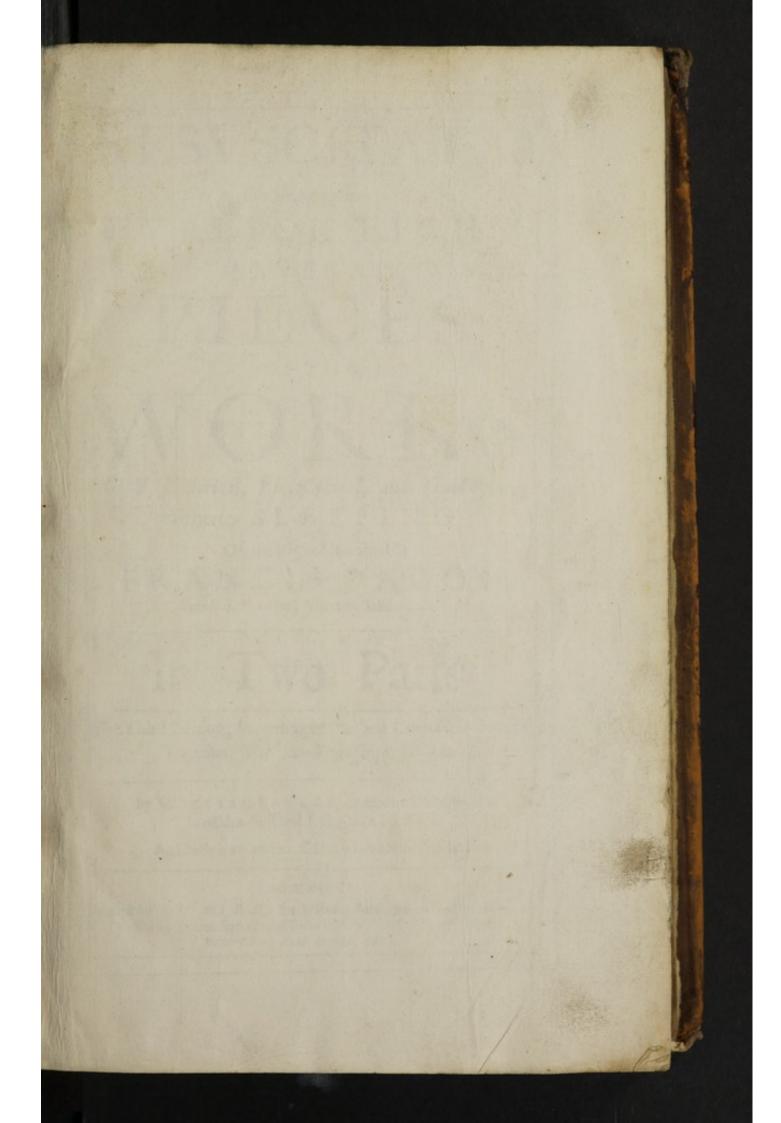




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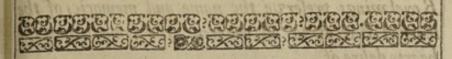
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Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Royal Sir, sesses much as the dignity of a King transcends the subject, is the obligation of the subject to the King; neither is the duty less we owe to the safety of our Persine, than the safe guard me challenge in his protection; as the center next under God, from which we derive our bonours, and to which we owe our services; of this duty, the learned Author your Royal Grand-father, and Father's trufty Servant was not ignorant, neither was his knowledge better tutored than his industry, the same hand of Kingly munificence which dispenced him his honours, pointed him out the lines of his most excellent labours; the dispersed flowers of which are here bumbly offered up to your Royal protection; with an humble confidence and afsurance, that time which bath seen the rise and fall of so many famous Kingdomes, the invention and decay of so many learned labours, the erredion and defacing of so many stately Tropbies: time, which in her vast Gulph, bath not only smallowed up Antiquity, but for the most part envied ber History, will yet under your cA 2 Royal Royal wings preserve the name and memories of the learned Bacon to all posterity, the same being the bearty desire of

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pride and priviledge of that power we call fortune to beflow her best favours, where she finds least worth to crown folly, and cross wisdome, to make fools happy, and the wise unfortunate, as a Queen she is supposed to shew her greatest Majesty in mans weakness, to pity sloth and envy induftry, as most jealous, lest mans wit or endeavours should challenge any part in her Prerogative: But he that knows wisely to Arbitrate betwixt the clouds of Pagan ignorance, and the clear fun shine of Christianity, betwixt Poetick fancies and Prophetical visions, shall find vulgar opinion only mistaken in the name, ascribing that transcendent power of disposing of worldly actions to a Deity which they call Fortune, which Christianity might have taught them more properly to have termed Providence, and howloever they have bounded her large Empire beyond their own reason, yet Christianity hath travailed much farther, and yet can prescribe no limits, as that which transcends into

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into an Infinite, and out-reaching the eye of all discovery, and though no place hath been found so base in the Theater of Nature or Civil Actions, wherein Providence cannot shew the abundant Trophees of her magnificence; yet there defires she to triumph most, where to men she seems to have least power; Her chiefest glory is to set up her Ensigns on the gates of mans wisdome, and tread on the neck of worldly policy. No marvel then that in our learned &uther, in whom neither Philosophy could add, or reason dictate more, whom neither wisdome could encrease, or affliction diminish, only Providence could challenge a Jurisdiction, his Eminent Parts subjecting him to the detraction of his Enemies, whole malice foon Eclipst his Glories, and laid his honours and virtues bleeding in the dust. whom neither the Sword could Conquer, nor Treason Undermine, whom neither pleasure could allure, nor riches perfivade, nor greatness tempt to the least dishonour, only envy and malice could bring into subjection, as the cursed Hand-maids that providence permits (but not allows) to humble our greatness and aspiring thoughts; And although dispaire is an Infirmityin mans nature, rather deserving mens pity than indignation, A Child it is whom the sence of misfortunes begets on great spirits, which no sooner beholds the light, but covets darkness, as if it made no more use of life, then to instruct him the next way to death; yet when the fad cloud of Royal-frown lay hovering over his Lordfhips head, entered not that accurled infirmity into his most excellent breaft, nor in that bottomless pit wherein no palsenger could cast Anchor finds he himself plung'd, nor as one arrefted by deaths immediate Sergeant, prepares he for his next appearance, no thoughts of better dye once than fear always, and shut up all mischeifs in one death, than spin out life in many misfortunes. And though to live at another mans benevolence feems the smallest priviledge of a Subject, and to dye at his own command the greatest Prerogative of a King, yet a bale Heads-man shall not share so great a glory, as the Chopping of a Head enriched with fo much policy and wisdome, but rather Justice her self shall leem to entreate no other hands in his ftately execution then

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his Royal Master's mercy; which he no sooner befought but obtained, and then with a head filled up to the brim, as well with forrow as wisdome, and covered and adorned with gray hairs, made a holy and humble retreat to the cool shades of rest, where he remained triumphant above fate and fortune, till heaven was pleased to summon him to a more glorious and triumphant rest: Nor shall his most excellent pieces part of which though dispersed and published at several times in his life time, now after his death lie buried in oblivion, but rather furvive time, and as Incence smell lweet in the nostrils of posterity; this was the pious care of Doctor Rawleigh his Lordships first and last Chaplain who having the custody of all his Manuscripts, did intend to to pay the last tribute of his faithful service to his deat Malters memory, and in order to which those most excellent pieces of his Lordships Natural History and Resujcitat tion, both first and second impression, he both carefully and faithfully look'd over, before he committed them to the Press, were by the great diligence and industry of Master Leigh, they fuffered almost no worse fate, being publish'd not with above two literal faults; and then being defirous that all other of his Lordships pieces that were extant in Quarto, Octavo, and Twelves, might be so Reprinted, as to be reduct (together with what other Manuscripts were yet conceall'd from the eye of the world) into one Folio Volume; but death preventing his eyes from beholding the accomplithment of so good a design; The structure remained unfinished, but those to whom the memory of the learned author remains as a pretious Ointment, would never behold so great a general good lie neglected, and therefore what of those pieces that could be collected and got together, and that were beginning to espouse dust by the hand of Envious Time, you have here united into one body, and it any of his other Pieces or Manuscripts should by any accident arrive into thole hands, that will make it their business to be in the enquest of them, such care will be taken to have them so Printed, as capable of being Bound up (if occasion lerves) with all or any of his other Works extant in Folio: It being his desire, that such excellent pieces might be preserved an Eternal Monument to suture Ages, who is his Lordships Admirer,

and your humble Servant,

CHARLES MOLLOY,

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The Stationer to the Reader.

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pains in fearthing all likely Places, and Studies for such of his Works as bad escaped his Hands, that he might link them together, as in one chain, to prevent envious time of robbing the World of one jot of that Treasure, which his Lordship bequeathed. In order thereunto my small assistance the Doctor defired (I having the bonour of being in. timately acquainted with him) in inquiring after them, among ft my Acquaintance and sending them to him to feruse, which he carefully did that bis Lorasbips name might not be dishonoured by patronizing other Mens Works: Dirvers pieces he obtained, which he much importuned me (both by word of mouth and divers Letters) to print in Folio, but finding them to be too little in Bulke for a second Part, it was deferred until he had received other pieces, which he was then promised: But being arrived to a good Old Age, Death conducted him to joyn with his Master in praising the great Lord of all, which prevented the finishing of this bis last temporal duty to his temporal Lord. Since which time they are faln into my hands, who being willing to difcharge the Trust reposed in me by the late Doctor, have here presented them to you in a compleat Volumn, which I will not presume to commend otherwise than the true Works of Francis Lbrd St. Alban.

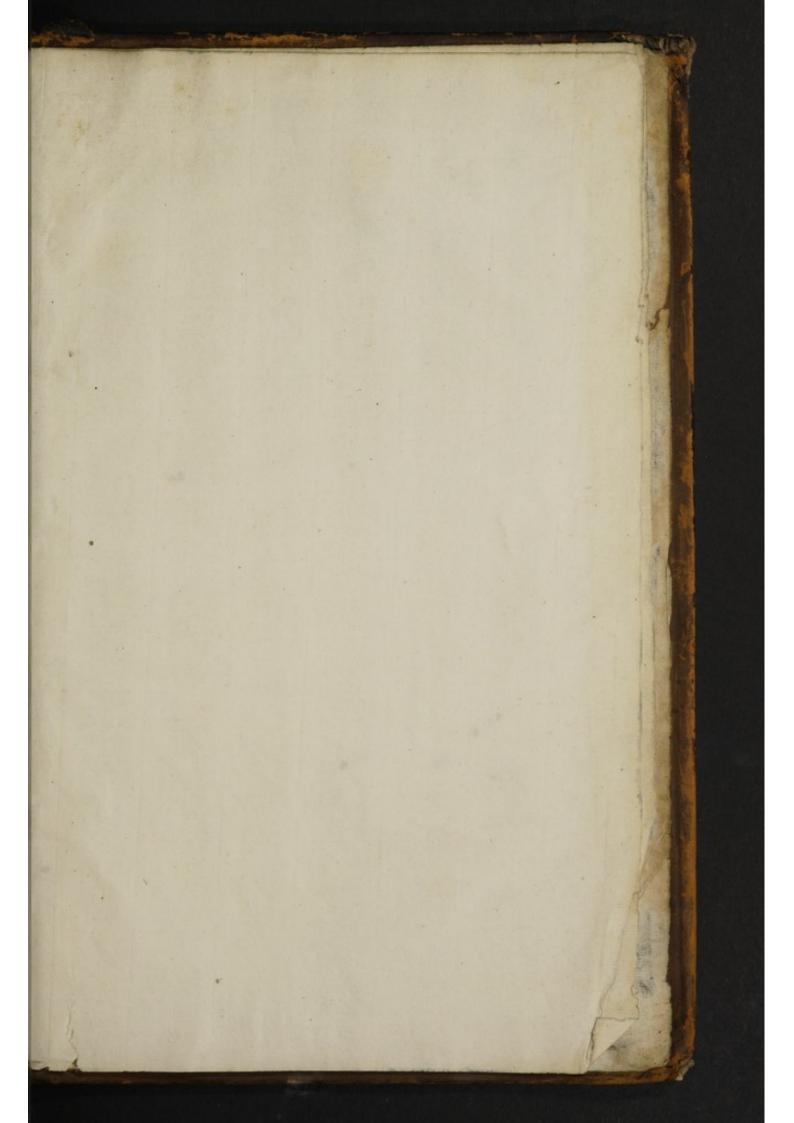
There is bound at the end of this Volumn a little Tract being a Brief Discourse touching the Office of Lord Chancellor of England, written by the Learned John Selden of the Inner-Temple Esquand Dedicated by him to Sir Francis Bacon, Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of England, together with a Catalogue of Lord Chancellors and Lord Keepers of the Great Seal of England from the Norman Conquest until this present year, 1671 by William Dugdale, Esq; Norroy King of Arms: Which I do not own to be my Lords, but being pertinent to his Works, I have bound it with a blanke leaf to separate it from his lordships Works.

W. Lee.



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