

fear giving scandall to others by such tollerations or connivences: All which nevertheless we see done, even in these times, and allowed of, as well by the Parliament as the King, upon reason of state, for the good and safety of this Realme. So may this Licence be also thought by such persons, a good expedient for the same purpose. And if any (of the weaker sort) should be scandalized at it, the scandal would be, *acceptum not datum*, and therefore not to be regarded by a wise and judicious Prince or State.

By it the Kings Revenue will be impaired, in losing the benefit which the said Lawes give him, out of Recusants Estate, while they continue in *England* of that profession of Religion,

The end of those Lawes was not the Kings profit, but (as is said before) the freeing of this Kingdome of Recusants, which deprives the King of any benefit by them, so as his Majesty will have no wrong don him by such A Licence, because he will loose nothing by it, of what was intended him by the said Lawes; this is no ancient Revenue of the Crowne, for it had inception but in *Queene Elizabeths* time, and conformity or alienation to a Protestant deprives the King of this Revenue, if there were no Crimes at all committed in *England*, the King would loose many Fines, and confiscations, wher by his Revenue would also be impaired (as in the other, as well as in this branch of it, is but casual) and yet, without question the King and State would both desire it: the same reason holds in this, considering what opinion is had here of the Recusants, wherefore it cannot, with good manners, be doubted that his Majesty will, in this businesse, preferre his own benefit, before