

of the law of God, and though this mingling of temporal and ecclesiastical law was put an end to by the Conqueror, yet the confining of ecclesiastical causes to the courts Christian, which he accomplished, was in effect also a public recognition of the Christian religion, if not as part of the law of the land, nevertheless as having a status as part of the established order of society, which no other religion possessed in England.

Turning to the utterances of judges we find there are many to be found affirming directly or indirectly that Christianity is part of the law of England. For instance: "The laws of the realm do admit nothing against the law of God." Hobart, C.J., in *Colt v. Glover* (1614) Hol. 149.

"The second ground of the law of England is the law of God." Hyde, J., in *Manby v. Scott* (1663) 1 Mod. Rep. 126.

Lord Hale, C.J., in *Taylor's Case* (1675) 1 Vent. 293, said: "Christianity is part of the law" and Lord Raymond, C.J., in *Rex v. Woolston*, Fitz. 64, 2 Stra. 834, declared: "Christianity, in general, is part of the common law of England and therefore to be protected by it."

Lord Kenyon, C.J., said, in *Williams' Case* (1797) 26 How. St. Trials 704: "The Christian religion is part of the law of the land."

"I apprehend that it is the duty of every judge presiding in an English court of justice, when he is told that there is no difference between worshipping the Supreme Being in chapel, church or synagogue, to recollect that Christianity is part of the law of England." Lord Hardwicke, L.C., in *In re Masters, etc., of Bedford Charity* (1819) 2 Swan. 527.

"It is certain that the Christian religion is part of the law of the land." Patteson, J., in *Rex v. Hetherington* (1841) 5 Jur. O.S. 530.

Lord Chief Baron Kelly, in *Cowan v. Milbourn* (1867) 2 L.R. Ex. 234, declared: "There is abundant authority for saying that Christianity is a part and parcel of the law of the land."

In *Pringle v. Napanee* (1878) 43 U.C.Q.B. 285, Harrison, C.J., declared that "an examination of the English law will be