

is to take an annuity for life; the widow of a Papist turning Protestant, is to have a portion of the chattels in spite of any will; every Papist teaching school, to be presented as a regular Popish convict. Prices for catching Catholic Priests, from 50s. to £10, according to rank; Papists are to answer all questions respecting other Papists, or be committed to Jail for twelve months. No trust to be undertaken for Papists; no Papists to be on Grand Juries, some notion may be formed of the spirit of those times, from an order of the House of Commons, that the Sergeant at arms should take into custody all Papists, that should presume to come into the Gallery. Common's Journal, vol. 3, fol. 976.

In the Reign of George the 1st, the horses of Papists were seized for the militia, and rode by Protestants, towards which the Catholics paid double, and were compelled to find Protestants substitutes. They were prohibited from voting or being high or petty Constables.

In the Reign of George 2nd, four-sixths of the population were cut off from the rights of voting at elections. By the necessity they were under of taking the oath of supremacy. Barristers and Solicitors marrying Catholics were exposed to all the penalties of Catholics. Persons robbed by Privateers during a war with a Catholic State, are to be indemnified by a levy on the Catholics of the neighbourhood. All marriages between Catholics and Protestants, are annulled. All Popish Priests celebrating, are to be hanged. This system (says Arthur Young,) has no other tendency than that of driving out the Kingdom, all the personal wealth of the Catholics, and extinguishing all their industry in it, and the face of the country, which presents itself to travellers, tell him how effectually this has been done. Youngs Tour in Ireland, Vol. 2nd, page 48:

During this time, there was not the slightest Rebellion in all Ireland. In 1715 and 1745, while Scotland and the north of England were up in arms, not a man stirred in Ireland. Yet the spirit of persecution against the Catholics, and continued until the 18th year of Geo. the 3rd; and then gradually gave way to the increase of knowledge, the humanity of the Sovereign; the abilities of Grattan; the weakness of the English struggling in America, and the dread inspired, by a French Revolution.