

The following is "The Oath of Secrecy devised by the Roman Clergy, as it remains on record at Paris, amongst the Society of Jesus. Faithfully translated out of French." It was framed in the Papacy of Urban VIII, about the year 1680. The following are portions of it: "I, A. B., now in the presence of Almighty God, the Blessed Virgin Mary, the St. Michael the Archangel, &c., do declare from my heart, without mental reservation, that His Holiness Pope Urban is Christ's Vicar-General, and is the true and only head of the Catholic or Universal Church throughout the earth; and that by virtue of the keys of binding and loosing given to His Holiness by my Saviour Jesus Christ, he hath power to depose heretical kings, princes, states, commonwealths, and governments, all being illegal without his sacred confirmation, and that they may safely be destroyed. Therefore, I do renounce and disown any allegiance as due to any heretical king, prince, or state named Protestant, or obedience to any of their inferior magistrates or officers. . . . I do further declare that I will help, assist, and advise all or any of His Holiness's agents in any place wherever I shall be, in England, Scotland, and Ireland, or in any other territory or kingdom I shall come to; and do my utmost to extirpate the heretical Protestant's doctrine; and to destroy all their pretended power, regal or otherwise. I do further promise and declare that notwithstanding I am dispensed with to assure any religion heretical for the propagating of the mother Church's interest, to keep secret and private all her agents, counsel, &c."

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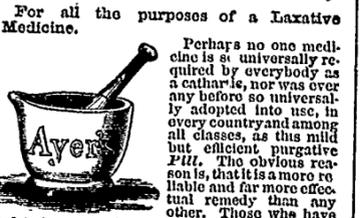
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