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The Second Tome of Homilies,

of such matters as were promised and intituled

in the former part of the Homilies:

set out by the authority of the Queen's^a Majesty,

and to be read in every Parish Church

agreeably.

^a the Queen's] the late Queen's 1623.

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AN ADMONITION TO ALL MINISTERS ECCLESIASTICAL.^a

FOR that the Lord doth require of his *servant whom he hath set over his household* to shew both faithfulness and prudence in his office, it shall be necessary that ye, above all other, do behave yourself^b most faithfully and diligently in your so high a function; that is, aptly, plainly, and distinctly to read the sacred Scriptures, diligently to instruct the youth in their Catechism, gravely and reverently to minister his most holy Sacraments, prudently also to choose out such Homilies as be most meet for the time and for the more agreeable instruction of the people committed to your charge, with such discretion, that where the Homily may appear too long for one reading, to divide the same to be read part in the forenoon and part in the afternoon. And, where it may so chance some one or other chapter of the Old Testament to fall in order to be read upon the Sundays or Holy Days which were better to be changed with some other of the New Testament of more edification,¹ it shall be well done to spend your time to consider well of such chapters beforehand, whereby your prudence and diligence in your office may appear; so that your people may have cause to glorify God for you, and be the readier to embrace your labours, to your better commendation, to the discharge of your consciences and their own.

Margin Note: Beginning of ¶: [Matt. 24:45].

^a An Admonition &c.] *The Admonition is not in 1563 A 1.*

^b yourself] yourselves *from 1582.*

¹ See *Cardwell's Documentary Annals, No. LV, vol. 1, p. 260, ed. 1839: History of Conferences, ch. 1, note t, p. 31, ed. 1840.*

THE TABLE OF HOMILIES ENSUING.^a

- I. Of^b the right use of the Church, &c.^c
- II. Against peril of Idolatry. Three Parts.^d
- III. For repairing and keeping clean the Church.
- IV. Of Good Works. And first of Fasting. Two Parts.^e
- V. Against Gluttony and Drunkenness.
- VI. Against excess of Apparel.
- VII. An Homily of Prayer. Three Parts.
- VIII. Of the place and time of Prayer. Two Parts.
- IX. Of Common Prayer and Sacraments.
- X. An Information for them^f which take offence at certain places of holy Scripture. Two Parts.
- XI. Of Alms deeds. Three Parts.
- XII. Of the Nativity.
- XIII. Of the Passion. For Good Friday. Two Homilies.
- XIV. Of the Resurrection. For Easter Day.
- XV. Of the worthy receiving of the Sacrament. Two Parts.
- XVI. An Homily concerning the coming down of the Holy Ghost. For Whitsunday. Two Parts.
- XVII. An Homily for Rogation Week. Four^g Parts.
- XVIII. Of the state of Matrimony.
- XIX. Against Idleness.
- XX. Of Repentance and true reconciliation unto God. Three Parts.
- XXI. An Homily against Disobedience and wilful Rebellion. Six Parts.^h

^a The Table &c.] *The Table is on the back of the Title, and of course precedes the Admonition after 1563.* ^b Of] First, Of 1563. ^c &c.] *omitted after 1563 F.* ^d Three Parts.] *The number of Parts in a Homily is not stated in 1623.* ^e Two Parts.] *not in 1563 A, the Homily not being divided at first.* ^f for them] *of them from 1582.* ^g Four] *Three 1574–1595.*

^h XXI. An Homily – Six Parts.] *not in the Table till 1571.*