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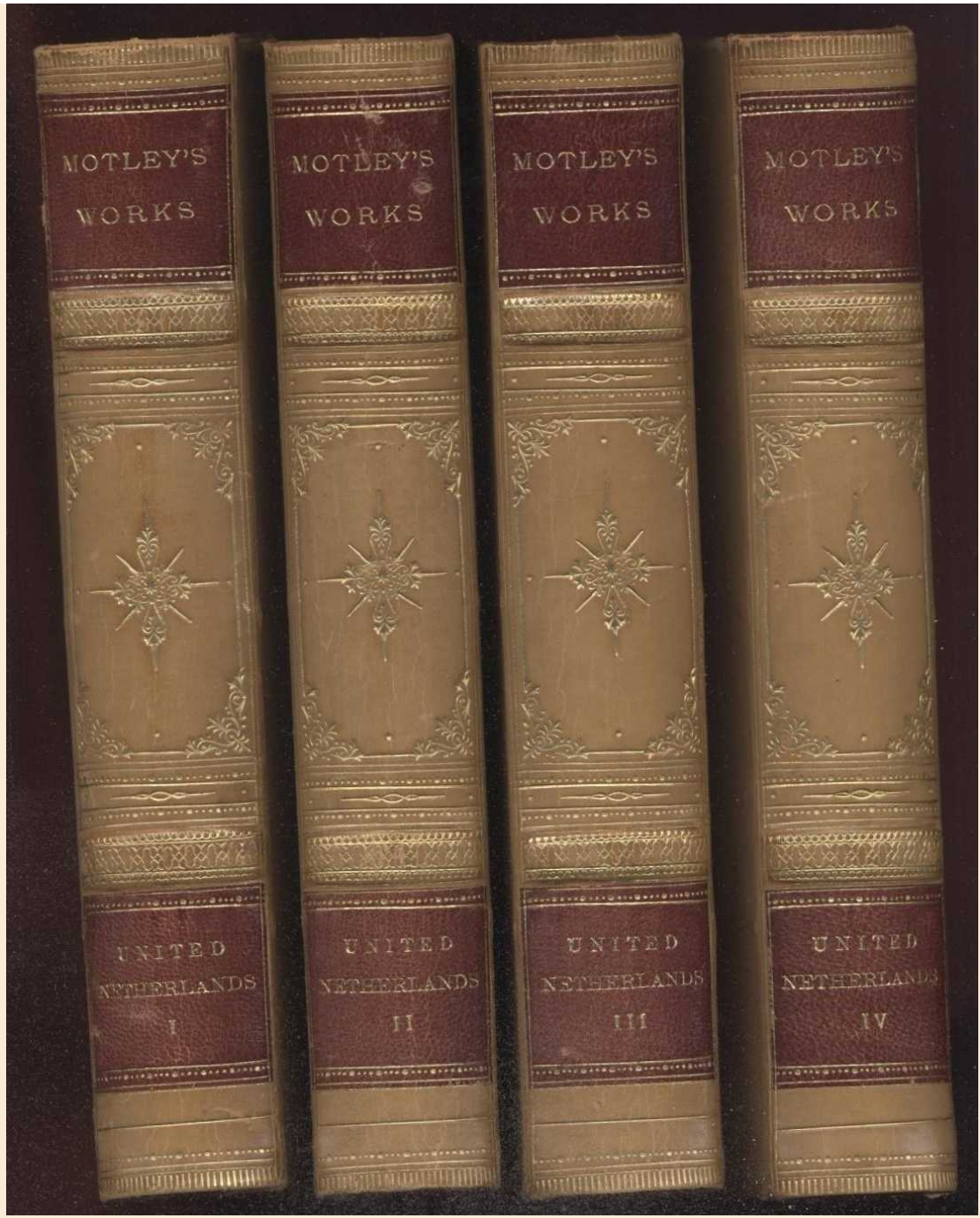
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# **HISTORY OF THE NETHERLANDS**

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A History

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SAEVIS TRANQUILLUS IN UNDIS.

WILLIAM OF ORANGE.

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THE EARL OF LEICESTER.



Mierevelt pinxit.

PRINCE MAURICE OF ORANGE-NASSAU.

"Tandem fit surculus arbor."



ALEXANDER FARNESE, PRINCE OF PARMA.





JOHAN VAN OLDEN-BARNEVELD.

"Nil scire tutissima fides."

*1566, the last year of peace*

*A pleasantry called voluntary contributions or benevolences*

*A good lawyer is a bad Christian*

*A terrible animal, indeed, is an unbridled woman*

*A common hatred united them, for a time at least*

*A penal offence in the republic to talk of peace or of truce*

*A most fatal success*

*A country disinherited by nature of its rights*

*A free commonwealth—was thought an absurdity*

*A hard bargain when both parties are losers*

*A burnt cat fears the fire*

*A despot really keeps no accounts, nor need to do so*

*A sovereign remedy for the disease of liberty*

*A pusillanimous peace, always possible at any period*

*A man incapable of fatigue, of perplexity, or of fear*

*A truce he honestly considered a pitfall of destruction*

*A great historian is almost a statesman*

*Able men should be by design and of purpose suppressed*

*About equal to that of England at the same period*

*Absolution for incest was afforded at thirty-six livres*

*Abstinence from unproductive consumption*

*Abstinence from inquisition into consciences and private parlour*

*Absurd affectation of candor*

*Accepting a new tyrant in place of the one so long ago deposed*

*Accustomed to the faded gallantries*

*Achieved the greatness to which they had not been born*

*Act of Uniformity required Papists to assist*

*Acts of violence which under pretext of religion*

*Admired or despised, as if he or she were our contemporary*

*Adulation for inferiors whom they despise*

*Advanced orthodox party-Puritans*

*Advancing age diminished his tendency to other carnal pleasures*

*Advised his Majesty to bestow an annual bribe upon Lord Burleigh*

*Affecting to discredit them*

*Affection of his friends and the wrath of his enemies*

*Age when toleration was a vice*

*Agreements were valid only until he should repent*

*Alas! the benighted victims of superstition hugged their chains*

*Alas! we must always have something to persecute*

*Alas! one never knows when one becomes  
a bore*

*Alexander's exuberant discretion*

*All Italy was in his hands*

*All fellow-worms together*

*All business has been transacted with  
open doors*

*All reading of the scriptures  
(forbidden)*

*All the majesty which decoration could  
impart*

*All denounced the image-breaking*

*All claimed the privilege of  
persecuting*

*All his disciples and converts are to  
be punished with death*

*All Protestants were beheaded, burned,  
or buried alive*

*All classes are conservative by  
necessity*

*All the ministers and great  
functionaries received presents*

*All offices were sold to the highest  
bidder*

*Allow her to seek a profit from his  
misfortune*

*Allowed the demon of religious hatred  
to enter into its body*

*Almost infinite power of the meanest of  
passions*

*Already looking forward to the revolt  
of the slave States*

*Altercation between Luther and Erasmus,  
upon predestination*

*Always less apt to complain of  
irrevocable events*

*American Unholy Inquisition*

*Amuse them with this peace negotiation*

*An inspiring and delightful recreation  
(auto-da-fe)*

*An hereditary papacy, a perpetual  
pope-emperor*

*An age when to think was a crime*

*An unjust God, himself the origin of  
sin*

*An order of things in which mediocrity  
is at a premium*

*Anarchy which was deemed inseparable  
from a non-regal form*

*Anatomical study of what has ceased to  
exist*

*And give advice. Of that, although  
always a spendthrift*

*And now the knife of another priest-led fanatic*

*And thus this gentle and heroic spirit took its flight*

*Angle with their dissimulation as with a hook*

*Announced his approaching marriage with the Virgin Mary*

*Annual harvest of iniquity by which his revenue was increased*

*Anxiety to do nothing wrong, the senators did nothing at all*

*Are apt to discharge such obligations—(by) ingratitude*

*Are wont to hang their piety on the bell-rope*

*Argument in a circle*

*Argument is exhausted and either action or compromise begins*

*Aristocracy of God's elect*

*Arminianism*

*Arrested on suspicion, tortured till confession*

*Arrive at their end by fraud, when violence will not avail them*

*Artillery*

*As logical as men in their cups are prone to be*

*As the old woman had told the Emperor Adrian*

*As if they were free will not make them free*

*As lieve see the Spanish as the Calvinistic inquisition*

*As ready as papists, with age, fagot, and excommunication*

*As with his own people, keeping no back-door open*

*As neat a deception by telling the truth*

*At a blow decapitated France*

*At length the twig was becoming the tree*

*Atheist, a tyrant, because he resisted dictation from the clergy*

*Attachment to a half-drowned land and to a despised religion*

*Attacked by the poetic mania*

*Attacking the authority of the pope*

*Attempting to swim in two waters*

*Auction sales of judicial ermine*

*Baiting his hook a little to his*

*appetite*

*Barbara Blomberg, washerwoman of  
Ratisbon*

*Batavian legion was the imperial body  
guard*

*Beacons in the upward path of mankind*

*Beating the Netherlanders into  
Christianity*

*Beautiful damsel, who certainly did not  
lack suitors*

*Because he had been successful (hated)*

*Becoming more learned, and therefore  
more ignorant*

*Been already crimination and  
recrimination more than enough*

*Before morning they had sacked thirty  
churches*

*Began to scatter golden arguments with  
a lavish hand*

*Beggars of the sea, as these  
privateersmen designated themselves*

*Behead, torture, burn alive, and bury  
alive all heretics*

*Being the true religion, proved by so  
many testimonies*

*Believed in the blessed advent of  
peace*

*Beneficent and charitable purposes  
(War)*

*best defence in this case is little  
better than an impeachment*

*Bestowing upon others what was not his  
property*

*Better to be governed by magistrates  
than mobs*

*Better is the restlessness of a noble  
ambition*

*Beware of a truce even more than of a  
peace*

*Bigotry which was the prevailing  
characteristic of the age*

*Bishop is a consecrated pirate*

*Blessed freedom from speech-making*

*Blessing of God upon the Devil's work*

*Bold reformer had only a new dogma in  
place of the old ones*

*Bomb-shells were not often used  
although known for a century*

*Breath, time, and paper were profusely  
wasted and nothing gained*

*Brethren, parents, and children, having  
wives in common*

*Bribed the Deity*

*Bungling diplomatists and credulous dotards*

*Burned, strangled, beheaded, or buried alive (100,000)*

*Burned alive if they objected to transubstantiation*

*Burning with bitter revenge for all the favours he had received*

*Burning of Servetus at Geneva*

*Business of an officer to fight, of a general to conquer*

*But the habit of dissimulation was inveterate*

*But after all this isn't a war It is a revolution*

*But not thoughtlessly indulgent to the boy*

*Butchery in the name of Christ was suspended*

*By turns, we all govern and are governed*

*Calling a peace perpetual can never make it so*

*Calumny is often a stronger and more lasting power than disdain*

*Can never be repaired and never sufficiently regretted*

*Canker of a long peace*

*Care neither for words nor menaces in any matter*

*Cargo of imaginary gold dust was exported from the James River*

*Casting up the matter "as pinchingly as possibly might be"*

*Casual outbursts of eternal friendship*

*Certain number of powers, almost exactly equal to each other*

*Certainly it was worth an eighty years' war*

*Changed his positions and contradicted himself day by day*

*Character of brave men to act, not to expect*

*Charles the Fifth autocrat of half the world*

*Chief seafaring nations of the world were already protestant*

*Chieftains are dwarfed in the estimation of followers*

*Children who had never set foot on the shore*

*Christian sympathy and a small assistance not being sufficient*

*Chronicle of events must not be anticipated*

*Claimed the praise of moderation that  
their demands were so few*

*Cold water of conventional and  
commonplace encouragement*

*College of "peace-makers," who wrangled  
more than all*

*Colonel Ysselstein, "dismissed for a  
homicide or two"*

*Compassing a country's emancipation  
through a series of defeats*

*Conceding it subsequently, after much  
contestation*

*Conceit, and procrastination which  
marked the royal character*

*Conciliation when war of extermination  
was intended*

*Conclusive victory for the allies  
seemed as predestined*

*Conde and Coligny*

*Condemned first and inquired upon after*

*Condemning all heretics to death*

*Conflicting claims of prerogative and  
conscience*

*Conformity of Governments to the  
principles of justice*

*Confused conferences, where neither  
party was entirely sincere*

*Considerable reason, even if there were  
but little justice*

*Considerations of state have never yet  
failed the axe*

*Considerations of state as a reason*

*Considered it his special mission in  
the world to mediate*

*Consign to the flames all prisoners  
whatever (Papal letter)*

*Constant vigilance is the price of  
liberty*

*Constitute themselves at once universal  
legatees*

*Constitutional governments, move in the  
daylight*

*Consumer would pay the tax, supposing  
it were ever paid at all*

*Contained within itself the germs of a  
larger liberty*

*Contempt for treaties however solemnly  
ratified*

*Continuing to believe himself  
invincible and infallible*

*Converting beneficent commerce into  
baleful gambling*

*Could handle an argument as well as a  
sword*

*Could paint a character with the ruddy  
life-blood coloring*

*Could not be both judge and party in  
the suit*

*Could do a little more than what was  
possible*

*Country would bear his loss with  
fortitude*

*Courage of despair inflamed the French*

*Courage and semblance of cheerfulness,  
with despair in his heart*

*Court fatigue, to scorn pleasure*

*Covered now with the satirical dust of  
centuries*

*Craft meaning, simply, strength*

*Created one child for damnation and  
another for salvation*

*Crescents in their caps: Rather Turkish  
than Popish*

*Crimes and cruelties such as Christians  
only could imagine*

*Criminal whose guilt had been  
established by the hot iron*

*Criminals buying Paradise for money*

*Cruelties exercised upon monks and  
papists*

*Crusades made great improvement in the  
condition of the serfs*

*Culpable audacity and exaggerated  
prudence*

*Customary oaths, to be kept with the  
customary conscientiousness*

*Daily widening schism between Lutherans  
and Calvinists*

*Deadliest of sins, the liberty of  
conscience*

*Deadly hatred of Puritans in England  
and Holland*

*Deal with his enemy as if sure to  
become his friend*

*Death rather than life with a false  
acknowledgment of guilt*

*Decline a bribe or interfere with the  
private sale of places*

*Decrees for burning, strangling, and  
burying alive*

*Deeply criminal in the eyes of all  
religious parties*

*Defeated garrison ever deserved more  
respect from friend or foe*

*Defect of enjoying the flattery, of his  
inferiors in station*

*Delay often fights better than an army  
against a foreign invader*



*Demanding peace and bread at any price*

*Democratic instincts of the ancient  
German savages*

*Denies the utility of prayers for the  
dead*

*Denounced as an obstacle to peace*

*Depths theological party spirit could  
descend*

*Depths of credulity men in all ages can  
sink*

*Despised those who were grateful*

*Despot by birth and inclination  
(Charles V.)*

*Determined to bring the very name of  
liberty into contempt*

*Devote himself to his gout and to his  
fair young wife*

*Difference between liberties and  
liberty*

*Difficult for one friend to advise  
another in three matters*

*Diplomacy of Spain and Rome—meant  
simply dissimulation*

*Diplomatic adroitness consists mainly  
in the power to deceive*

*Disciple of Simon Stevinus*

*Dismay of our friends and the  
gratification of our enemies*

*Disordered, and unknit state needs no  
shaking, but propping*

*Disposed to throat-cutting by the  
ministers of the Gospel*

*Dispute between Luther and Zwingli  
concerning the real presence*

*Disputing the eternal damnation of  
young children*

*Dissenters were as bigoted as the  
orthodox*

*Dissimulation and delay*

*Distinguished for his courage, his  
cruelty, and his corpulence*

*Divine right of kings*

*Divine right*

*Do you want peace or war? I am ready  
for either*

*Doctrine of predestination in its  
sternest and strictest sense*

*Don John of Austria*

*Don John was at liberty to be King of  
England and Scotland*

*Done nothing so long as aught remained  
to do*

*Drank of the water in which, he had washed*

*Draw a profit out of the necessities of this state*

*During this, whole war, we have never seen the like*

*Dying at so very inconvenient a moment*

*Each in its turn becoming orthodox, and therefore persecuting*

*Eat their own children than to forego one high mass*

*Eight thousand human beings were murdered*

*Elizabeth, though convicted, could always confute*

*Elizabeth (had not) the faintest idea of religious freedom*

*Eloquence of the biggest guns*

*Emperor of Japan addressed him as his brother monarch*

*Emulation is not capability*

*Endure every hardship but hunger*

*Enemy of all compulsion of the human conscience*

*England hated the Netherlands*

*English Puritans*

*Englishmen and Hollanders preparing to cut each other's throats*

*Enmity between Lutherans and Calvinists*

*Enormous wealth (of the Church) which engendered the hatred*

*Enriched generation after generation by wealthy penitence*

*Enthusiasm could not supply the place of experience*

*Envyng those whose sufferings had already been terminated*

*Epernon, the true murderer of Henry*

*Erasmus of Rotterdam*

*Erasmus encourages the bold friar*

*Establish not freedom for Calvinism, but freedom for conscience*

*Estimating his character and judging his judges*

*Even the virtues of James were his worst enemies*

*Even to grant it slowly is to deny it utterly*

*Even for the rape of God's mother, if that were possible*

*Ever met disaster with so cheerful a smile*

*Ever-swarming nurseries of mercenary warriors*

*Every one sees what you seem, few perceive what you are*

*Everybody should mind his own business*

*Everything else may happen This alone must happen*

*Everything was conceded, but nothing was secured*

*Evil is coming, the sooner it arrives the better*

*Evil has the advantage of rapidly assuming many shapes*

*Excited with the appearance of a gem of true philosophy*

*Excused by their admirers for their shortcomings*

*Excuses to disarm the criticism he had some reason to fear*

*Executions of Huss and Jerome of Prague*

*Exorcising the devil by murdering his supposed victims*

*Extraordinary capacity for yielding to gentle violence*

*Fable of divine right is invented to sanction the system*

*Faction has rarely worn a more mischievous aspect*

*Famous fowl in every pot*

*Fanatics of the new religion denounced him as a godless man*

*Fate, free will, or absolute foreknowledge*

*Father Cotton, who was only too ready to betray the secrets*

*Fear of the laugh of the world at its sincerity*

*Fed on bear's liver, were nearly poisoned to death*

*Felix Mants, the anabaptist, is drowned at Zurich*

*Fellow worms had been writhing for half a century in the dust*

*Ferocity which even Christians could not have surpassed*

*Few, even prelates were very dutiful to the pope*

*Fiction of apostolic authority to bind and loose*

*Fifty thousand persons in the provinces (put to death)*

*Financial opposition to tyranny is apt to be unanimous*

*Find our destruction in our immoderate desire for peace*

*Fishermen and river raftsmen become  
ocean adventurers*

*Fitted "To warn, to comfort, and  
command"*

*Fitter to obey than to command*

*Five great rivers hold the Netherland  
territory in their coils*

*Flattery is a sweet and intoxicating  
potion*

*Fled from the land of oppression to the  
land of liberty*

*Fool who useth not wit because he hath  
it not*

*For myself I am unworthy of the honor  
(of martyrdom)*

*For faithful service, evil recompense*

*For women to lament, for men to  
remember*

*For us, looking back upon the Past,  
which was then the Future*

*For his humanity towards the conquered  
garrisons (censured)*

*Forbidding the wearing of mourning at  
all*

*Forbids all private assemblies for  
devotion*

*Force clerical—the power of clerks*

*Foremost to shake off the fetters of  
superstition*

*Forget those who have done them good  
service*

*Forgiving spirit on the part of the  
malefactor*

*Fortune's buffets and rewards can take  
with equal thanks*

*Four weeks' holiday—the first in  
eleven years*

*France was mourning Henry and waiting  
for Richelieu*

*French seem madmen, and are wise*

*Friendly advice still more intolerable*

*Full of precedents and declamatory  
commonplaces*

*Furious fanaticism*

*Furious mob set upon the house of Rem  
Bischof*

*Furnished, in addition, with a force of  
two thousand prostitutes*

*Future world as laid down by rival  
priesthoods*

*Gallant and ill-fated Lamoral Egmont*

*Gaul derided the Roman soldiers as a  
band of pigmies*

*German-Lutheran sixteenth-century idea  
of religious freedom*

*German finds himself sober—he believes  
himself ill*

*German Highland and the German  
Netherland*

*Gigantic vices are proudly pointed to  
as the noblest*

*Give him advice if he asked it, and  
money when he required*

*Glory could be put neither into pocket  
nor stomach*

*God has given absolute power to no  
mortal man*

*God, whose cause it was, would be  
pleased to give good weather*

*God alone can protect us against those  
whom we trust*

*God of wrath who had decreed the  
extermination of all unbeliever*

*God of vengeance, of jealousy, and of  
injustice*

*God Save the King! It was the last  
time*

*Gold was the only passkey to justice*

*Gomarites accused the Arminians of  
being more lax than Papists*

*Govern under the appearance of obeying*

*Great transactions of a reign are  
sometimes paltry things*

*Great science of political equilibrium*

*Great Privilege, the Magna Charta of  
Holland*

*Great error of despising their enemy*

*Great war of religion and politics was  
postponed*

*Great battles often leave the world  
where they found it*

*Guarantees of forgiveness for every  
imaginable sin*

*Guilty of no other crime than adhesion  
to the Catholic faith*

*Habeas corpus*

*Had industry been honoured instead of  
being despised*

*Haereticis non servanda fides*

*Hair and beard unshorn, according to  
ancient Batavian custom*

*Halcyon days of ban, book and candle*

*Hanged for having eaten meat-soup upon  
Friday*

*Hanging of Mary Dyer at Boston*

*Hangman is not the most appropriate  
teacher of religion*

*Happy to glass themselves in so  
brilliant a mirror*

*Hard at work, pouring sand through  
their sieves*

*Hardly a distinguished family in Spain  
not placed in mourning*

*Hardly a sound Protestant policy  
anywhere but in Holland*

*Hardly an inch of French soil that had  
not two possessors*

*Having conjugated his paradigm  
conscientiously*

*He had omitted to execute heretics*

*He did his best to be friends with all  
the world*

*He was a sincere bigot*

*He that stands let him see that he does  
not fall*

*He was not always careful in the  
construction of his sentences*

*He would have no persecution of the  
opposite creed*

*He came as a conqueror not as a  
mediator*

*He who spreads the snare always tumbles  
into the ditch himself*

*He who would have all may easily lose  
all*

*He knew men, especially he knew their  
weaknesses*

*He had never enjoyed social converse,  
except at long intervals*

*He would have no Calvinist inquisition  
set up in its place*

*He who confessed well was absolved well*

*He did his work, but he had not his  
reward*

*He sat a great while at a time. He had  
a genius for sitting*

*He was not imperial of aspect on canvas  
or coin*

*He often spoke of popular rights with  
contempt*

*He spent more time at table than the  
Bearnese in sleep*

*Heidelberg Catechism were declared to  
be infallible*

*Henry the Huguenot as the champion of  
the Council of Trent*

*Her teeth black, her bosom white and  
liberally exposed (Eliz.)*

*Heresy was a plant of early growth in  
the Netherlands*

*Heretics to the English Church were persecuted*

*Hibernian mode of expressing himself*

*High officers were doing the work of private, soldiers*

*Highborn demagogues in that as in every age affect adulation*

*Highest were not necessarily the least slimy*

*His inordinate arrogance*

*His own past triumphs seemed now his greatest enemies*

*His imagination may have assisted his memory in the task*

*His insolence intolerable*

*His learning was a reproach to the ignorant*

*His invectives were, however, much stronger than his arguments*

*His personal graces, for the moment, took the rank of virtues*

*His dogged, continuous capacity for work*

*Historical scepticism may shut its eyes to evidence*

*History is a continuous whole of which we see only fragments*

*History is but made up of a few scattered fragments*

*History never forgets and never forgives*

*History has not too many really important and emblematic men*

*History shows how feeble are barriers of paper*

*Holland was afraid to give a part, although offering the whole*

*Holland, England, and America, are all links of one chain*

*Holy Office condemned all the inhabitants of the Netherlands*

*Holy institution called the Inquisition*

*Honor good patriots, and to support them in venial errors*

*Hope delayed was but a cold and meagre consolation*

*Hope deferred, suddenly changing to despair*

*How many more injured by becoming bad copies of a bad ideal*

*Hugo Grotius*

*Human nature in its meanness and shame*

*Human ingenuity to inflict human misery*

*Human fat esteemed the sovereignst  
remedy (for wounds)*

*Humanizing effect of science upon the  
barbarism of war*

*Humble ignorance as the safest creed*

*Humility which was but the cloak to his  
pride*

*Hundred thousand men had laid down  
their lives by her decree*

*I did never see any man behave himself  
as he did*

*I know how to console myself*

*I am a king that will be ever known not  
to fear any but God*

*I hope and I fear*

*I would carry the wood to burn my own  
son withal*

*I regard my country's profit, not my  
own*

*I will never live, to see the end of my  
poverty*

*Idea of freedom in commerce has dawned  
upon nations*

*Idiotic principle of sumptuary  
legislation*

*Idle, listless, dice-playing, begging,  
filching vagabonds*

*If he had little, he could live upon  
little*

*If to do be as grand as to imagine what  
it were good to do*

*If he has deserved it, let them strike  
off his head*

*Ignoble facts which strew the highways  
of political life*

*Ignorance is the real enslaver of  
mankind*

*Imagined, and did the work of truth*

*Imagining that they held the world's  
destiny in their hands*

*Impatience is often on the part of the  
non-combatants*

*Implication there was much, of  
assertion very little*

*Imposed upon the multitudes, with whom  
words were things*

*Impossible it is to practise arithmetic  
with disturbed brains*

*Impossible it was to invent terms of  
adulation too gross*

*In revolutions the men who win are  
those who are in earnest*

*In character and general talents he was  
beneath mediocrity*



*In times of civil war, to be neutral is  
to be nothing*

*In Holland, the clergy had neither  
influence nor seats*

*In this he was much behind his age or  
before it*

*Incur the risk of being charged with  
forwardness than neglect*

*Indecision did the work of indolence*

*Indignant that heretics had been  
suffered to hang*

*Individuals walking in advance of their  
age*

*Indoor home life imprisons them in the  
domestic circle*

*Indulging them frequently with oracular  
advice*

*Inevitable fate of talking castles and  
listening ladies*

*Infamy of diplomacy, when diplomacy is  
unaccompanied by honesty*

*Infinite capacity for pecuniary  
absorption*

*Informers, in case of conviction, should  
be entitled to one half*

*Inhabited by the savage tribes called  
Samoyedes*

*Innocent generation, to atone for the  
sins of their forefathers*

*Inquisition of the Netherlands is much  
more pitiless*

*Inquisition was not a fit subject for a  
compromise*

*Inquisitors enough; but there were no  
light vessels in The Armada*

*Insane cruelty, both in the cause of  
the Wrong and the Right*

*Insensible to contumely, and incapable  
of accepting a rebuff*

*Insinuate that his orders had been  
hitherto misunderstood*

*Insinuating suspicions when unable to  
furnish evidence*

*Intellectual dandyisms of Bulwer*

*Intelligence, science, and industry  
were accounted degrading*

*Intense bigotry of conviction*

*Intentions of a government which did  
not know its own intentions*

*International friendship, the  
self-interest of each*

*Intolerable tendency to puns*

*Invaluable gift which no human being  
can acquire, authority*

*Invented such Christian formulas as  
these (a curse)*

*Inventing long speeches for historical  
characters*

*Invincible Armada had not only been  
vanquished but annihilated*

*Irresistible force in collision with an  
insuperable resistance*

*It was the true religion, and there was  
none other*

*It is not desirable to disturb much of  
that learned dust*

*It had not yet occurred to him that he  
was married*

*It is n't strategists that are wanted  
so much as believers*

*It is certain that the English hate us  
(Sully)*

*Its humility, seemed sufficiently  
ironical*

*James of England, who admired, envied,  
and hated Henry*

*Jealousy, that potent principle*

*Jesuit Mariana—justifying the killing  
of excommunicated kings*

*John Castel, who had stabbed Henry IV.*

*John Wier, a physician of Grave*

*John Robinson*

*John Quincy Adams*

*Judas Maccabaeus*

*July 1st, two Augustine monks were  
burned at Brussels*

*Justified themselves in a solemn  
consumption of time*

*Kindly shadow of oblivion*

*King who thought it furious madness to  
resist the enemy*

*King had issued a general repudiation  
of his debts*

*King set a price upon his head as a  
rebel*

*King of Zion to be pinched to death  
with red-hot tongs*

*King was often to be something much  
less or much worse*

*King's definite and final intentions,  
varied from day to day*

*Labored under the disadvantage of never  
having existed*

*Labour was esteemed dishonourable*

*Language which is ever living because  
it is dead*

*Languor of fatigue, rather than any  
sincere desire for peace*

*Leading motive with all was supposed to  
be religion*

*Learn to tremble as little at  
priestcraft as at swordcraft*

*Leave not a single man alive in the  
city, and to burn every house*

*Let us fool these poor creatures to  
their heart's content*

*Licences accorded by the crown to carry  
slaves to America*

*Life of nations and which we call the  
Past*

*Like a man holding a wolf by the ears*

*Little army of Maurice was becoming the  
model for Europe*

*Little grievances would sometimes  
inflamm more than vast*

*Local self-government which is the  
life-blood of liberty*

*Logic of the largest battalions*

*Logic is rarely the quality on which  
kings pride themselves*

*Logical and historical argument of  
unmerciful length*

*Long succession of so many illustrious  
obscure*

*Longer they delay it, the less easy  
will they find it*

*Look through the cloud of dissimulation*

*Look for a sharp war, or a miserable  
peace*

*Looking down upon her struggle with  
benevolent indifference*

*Lord was better pleased with adverbs  
than nouns*

*Loud, nasal, dictatorial tone, not at  
all agreeable*

*Louis XIII.*

*Loving only the persons who flattered  
him*

*Ludicrous gravity*

*Luther's axiom, that thoughts are  
toll-free*

*Lutheran princes of Germany, detested  
the doctrines of Geneva*

*Luxury had blunted the fine instincts  
of patriotism*

*Made peace—and had been at war ever  
since*

*Made no breach in royal and Roman  
infallibility*

*Made to swing to and fro over a slow*

*fire*

*Magistracy at that moment seemed to mean the sword*

*Magnificent hopefulness*

*Maintaining the attitude of an injured but forgiving Christian*

*Make sheep of yourselves, and the wolf will eat you*

*Make the very name of man a term of reproach*

*Man is never so convinced of his own wisdom*

*Man who cannot dissemble is unfit to reign*

*Man had only natural wrongs (No natural rights)*

*Man had no rights at all He was property*

*Mankind were naturally inclined to calumny*

*Manner in which an insult shall be dealt with*

*Many greedy priests, of lower rank, had turned shop-keepers*

*Maritime heretics*

*Matter that men may rather pray for than hope for*

*Matters little by what name a government is called*

*Meantime the second civil war in France had broken out*

*Mediocrity is at a premium*

*Meet around a green table except as fencers in the field*

*Men were loud in reproof, who had been silent*

*Men fought as if war was the normal condition of humanity*

*Men who meant what they said and said what they meant*

*Mendacity may always obtain over innocence and credulity*

*Military virtue in the support of an infamous cause*

*Misanthropical, sceptical philosopher*

*Misery had come not from their being enemies*

*Mistake to stumble a second time over the same stone*

*Mistakes might occur from occasional deviations into sincerity*

*Mockery of negotiation in which nothing could be negotiated*

*Modern statesmanship, even while it*

*practises, condemns*

*Monasteries, burned their invaluable  
libraries*

*Mondragon was now ninety-two years old*

*Moral nature, undergoes less change  
than might be hoped*

*More accustomed to do well than to  
speak well*

*More easily, as he had no intention of  
keeping the promise*

*More catholic than the pope*

*More fiercely opposed to each other  
than to Papists*

*More apprehension of fraud than of  
force*

*Most detestable verses that even he had  
ever composed*

*Most entirely truthful child he had  
ever seen*

*Motley was twice sacrificed to personal  
feelings*

*Much as the blind or the deaf towards  
colour or music*

*Myself seeing of it methinketh that I  
dream*

*Names history has often found it  
convenient to mark its epochs*

*National character, not the work of a  
few individuals*

*Nations tied to the pinafores of  
children in the nursery*

*Natural to judge only by the result*

*Natural tendency to suspicion of a  
timid man*

*Nearsighted liberalism*

*Necessary to make a virtue of necessity*

*Necessity of extirpating heresy, root  
and branch*

*Necessity of deferring to powerful  
sovereigns*

*Necessity of kingship*

*Negotiated as if they were all immortal*

*Neighbour's blazing roof was likely  
soon to fire their own*

*Neither kings nor governments are apt  
to value logic*

*Neither wished the convocation, while  
both affected an eagerness*

*Neither ambitious nor greedy*

*Never peace well made, he observed,  
without a mighty war*

*Never did statesmen know better how not  
to do*

*Never lack of fishers in troubled  
waters*

*New Years Day in England, 11th January  
by the New Style*

*Night brings counsel*

*Nine syllables that which could be more  
forcibly expressed in on*

*No one can testify but a householder*

*No man can be neutral in civil  
contentions*

*No law but the law of the longest purse*

*No two books, as he said, ever injured  
each other*

*No retrenchments in his pleasures of  
women, dogs, and buildings*

*No great man can reach the highest  
position in our government*

*No man is safe (from news reporters)*

*No man could reveal secrets which he  
did not know*

*No authority over an army which they  
did not pay*

*No man pretended to think of the State*

*No synod had a right to claim  
Netherlanders as slaves*

*No qualities whatever but birth and  
audacity to recommend him*

*No generation is long-lived enough to  
reap the harvest*

*No man ever understood the art of  
bribery more thoroughly*

*No calumny was too senseless to be  
invented*

*None but God to compel me to say more  
than I choose to say*

*Nor is the spirit of the age to be  
pleaded in defence*

*Not a friend of giving details larger  
than my ascertained facts*

*Not distinguished for their docility*

*Not to let the grass grow under their  
feet*

*Not a single acquaintance in the place,  
and we glory in the fact*

*Not safe for politicians to call each  
other hard names*

*Not his custom nor that of his  
councillors to go to bed*

*Not of the genus Reptilia, and could  
neither creep nor crouch*

*Not strong enough to sustain many more  
such victories*

*Not to fall asleep in the shade of a*

*peace negotiation*

*Not many more than two hundred  
Catholics were executed*

*Not upon words but upon actions*

*Not for a new doctrine, but for liberty  
of conscience*

*Not of the stuff of which martyrs are  
made (Erasmus)*

*Not so successful as he was picturesque*

*Nothing could equal Alexander's  
fidelity, but his perfidy*

*Nothing cheap, said a citizen bitterly,  
but sermons*

*Nothing was so powerful as religious  
difference*

*Notre Dame at Antwerp*

*Nowhere was the persecution of heretics  
more relentless*

*Nowhere were so few unproductive  
consumers*

*O God! what does man come to!*

*Obscure were thought capable of dying  
natural deaths*

*Obstinate, of both sexes, to be burned*

*Octogenarian was past work and past  
mischief*

*Of high rank but of lamentably low  
capacity*

*Often much tyranny in democracy*

*Often necessary to be blind and deaf*

*Oldenbarneveld; afterwards so  
illustrious*

*On the first day four thousand men and  
women were slaughtered*

*One-half to Philip and one-half to the  
Pope and Venice (slaves)*

*One-third of Philip's effective navy  
was thus destroyed*

*One golden grain of wit into a sheet of  
infinite platitide*

*One could neither cry nor laugh within  
the Spanish dominions*

*One of the most contemptible and  
mischievous of kings (James I)*

*Only healthy existence of the French  
was in a state of war*

*Only true religion*

*Only citadel against a tyrant and a  
conqueror was distrust*

*Only kept alive by milk, which he drank  
from a woman's breast*

*Only foundation fit for history,—  
original contemporary document*

*Opening an abyss between government and people*

*Opposed the subjection of the magistracy by the priesthood*

*Oration, fertile in rhetoric and barren in facts*

*Orator was, however, delighted with his own performance*

*Others that do nothing, do all, and have all the thanks*

*Others go to battle, says the historian, these go to war*

*Our pot had not gone to the fire as often*

*Our mortal life is but a string of guesses at the future*

*Outdoing himself in dogmatism and inconsistency*

*Over excited, when his prejudices were roughly handled*

*Panegyrist of royal houses in the sixteenth century*

*Pardon for crimes already committed, or about to be committed*

*Pardon for murder, if not by poison, was cheaper*

*Partisans wanted not accommodation but victory*

*Party hatred was not yet glutted with the blood it had drunk*

*Passion is a bad schoolmistress for the memory*

*Past was once the Present, and once the Future*

*Pathetic dying words of Anne Boleyn*

*Patriotism seemed an unimaginable idea*

*Pauper client who dreamed of justice at the hands of law*

*Paving the way towards atheism (by toleration)*

*Paying their passage through, purgatory*

*Peace founded on the only secure basis, equality of strength*

*Peace was desirable, it might be more dangerous than war*

*Peace seemed only a process for arriving at war*

*Peace and quietness is brought into a most dangerous estate*

*Peace-at-any-price party*

*Peace, in reality, was war in its worst shape*

*Peace was unattainable, war was impossible, truce was inevitable*



*Peace would be destruction*

*Perfection of insolence*

*Perpetually dropping small innuendos  
like pebbles*

*Persons who discussed religious matters  
were to be put to death*

*Petty passion for contemptible details*

*Philip II. gave the world work enough*

*Philip of Macedon, who considered no  
city impregnable*

*Philip IV.*

*Philip, who did not often say a great  
deal in a few words*

*Picturesqueness of crime*

*Placid unconsciousness on his part of  
defeat*

*Plain enough that he is telling his own  
story*

*Planted the inquisition in the  
Netherlands*

*Played so long with other men's  
characters and good name*

*Plea of infallibility and of authority  
soon becomes ridiculous*

*Plundering the country which they came  
to protect*

*Poisoning, for example, was absolved  
for eleven ducats*

*Pope excommunicated him as a heretic*

*Pope and emperor maintain both  
positions with equal logic*

*Portion of these revenues savoured much  
of black-mail*

*Possible to do, only because we see  
that it has been done*

*Pot-valiant hero*

*Power the poison of which it is so  
difficult to resist*

*Power to read and write helped the  
clergy to much wealth*

*Power grudged rather than given to the  
deputies*

*Practised successfully the talent of  
silence*

*Pray here for satiety, (said Cecil)  
than ever think of variety*

*Preferred an open enemy to a  
treacherous protector*

*Premature zeal was prejudicial to the  
cause*

*Presents of considerable sums of money  
to the negotiators made*

*Presumption in entitling themselves  
Christian*

*Preventing wrong, or violence, even  
towards an enemy*

*Priests shall control the state or the  
state govern the priests*

*Princes show what they have in them at  
twenty-five or never*

*Prisoners were immediately hanged*

*Privileged to beg, because ashamed to  
work*

*Proceeds of his permission to eat meat  
on Fridays*

*Proclaiming the virginity of the  
Virgin's mother*

*Procrastination was always his first  
refuge*

*Progress should be by a spiral movement*

*Promises which he knew to be binding  
only upon the weak*

*Proposition made by the wolves to the  
sheep, in the fable*

*Protect the common tranquillity by  
blood, purse, and life*

*Provided not one Huguenot be left alive  
in France*

*Public which must have a slain  
reputation to devour*

*Purchased absolution for crime and  
smoothed a pathway to heaven*

*Puritanism in Holland was a very  
different thing from England*

*Put all those to the torture out of  
whom anything can be got*

*Putting the cart before the oxen*

*Queen is entirely in the hands of Spain  
and the priests*

*Questioning nothing, doubting nothing,  
fearing nothing*

*Quite mistaken: in supposing himself  
the Emperor's child*

*Radical, one who would uproot, is a man  
whose trade is dangerous*

*Rarely able to command, having never  
learned to obey*

*Rashness alternating with hesitation*

*Rather a wilderness to reign over than  
a single heretic*

*Readiness to strike and bleed at any  
moment in her cause*

*Readiness at any moment to defend  
dearly won liberties*

*Rearing gorgeous temples where paupers  
are to kneel*

*Reasonable to pay our debts rather than to repudiate them*

*Rebuked him for his obedience*

*Rebuked the bigotry which had already grown*

*Recall of a foreign minister for alleged misconduct in office*

*Reformer who becomes in his turn a bigot is doubly odious*

*Reformers were capable of giving a lesson even to inquisitors*

*Religion was made the strumpet of Political Ambition*

*Religion was rapidly ceasing to be the line of demarcation*

*Religion was not to be changed like a shirt*

*Religious toleration, which is a phrase of insult*

*Religious persecution of Protestants by Protestants*

*Repentance, as usual, had come many hours too late*

*Repentant males to be executed with the sword*

*Repentant females to be buried alive*

*Repose under one despot guaranteed to them by two others*

*Repose in the other world, "Repos ailleurs"*

*Republic, which lasted two centuries*

*Republics are said to be ungrateful*

*Repudiation of national debts was never heard of before*

*Requires less mention than Philip III himself*

*Resolve to maintain the civil authority over the military*

*Resolved thenceforth to adopt a system of ignorance*

*Respect for differences in religious opinions*

*Result was both to abandon the provinces and to offend Philip*

*Revocable benefices or feuds*

*Rich enough to be worth robbing*

*Righteous to kill their own children*

*Road to Paris lay through the gates of Rome*

*Rose superior to his doom and took captivity captive*

*Round game of deception, in which nobody was deceived*

*Royal plans should be enforced  
adequately or abandoned entirely*

*Ruinous honors*

*Rules adopted in regard to pretenders  
to crowns*

*Sacked and drowned ten infant princes*

*Sacrificed by the Queen for faithfully  
obeying her orders*

*Safest citadel against an invader and a  
tyrant is distrust*

*Sages of every generation, read the  
future like a printed scroll*

*Saint Bartholomew's day*

*Sale of absolutions was the source of  
large fortunes to the priests*

*Same conjury over ignorant baron and  
cowardly hind*

*Scaffold was the sole refuge from the  
rack*

*Scepticism, which delights in reversing  
the judgment of centuries*

*Schism in the Church had become a  
public fact*

*Schism which existed in the general  
Reformed Church*

*Science of reigning was the science of  
lying*

*Scoffing at the ceremonies and  
sacraments of the Church*

*Secret drowning was substituted for  
public burning*

*Secure the prizes of war without the  
troubles and dangers*

*Security is dangerous*

*Seeking protection for and against the  
people*

*Seem as if born to make the idea of  
royalty ridiculous*

*Seemed bent on self-destruction*

*Seems but a change of masks, of  
costume, of phraseology*

*Sees the past in the pitiless light of  
the present*

*Self-assertion—the healthful but not  
engaging attribute*

*Self-educated man, as he had been a  
self-taught boy*

*Selling the privilege of eating eggs  
upon fast-days*

*Senectus edam maorbus est*

*Sent them word by carrier pigeons*

*Sentiment of Christian self-complacency*

*Sentimentality that seems highly*

*apocryphal*

*Served at their banquets by hosts of  
lackeys on their knees*

*Seven Spaniards were killed, and seven  
thousand rebels*

*Sewers which have ever run beneath  
decorous Christendom*

*Shall Slavery die, or the great  
Republic?*

*Sharpened the punishment for reading  
the scriptures in private*

*She relieth on a hope that will deceive  
her*

*She declined to be his procuress*

*She knew too well how women were  
treated in that country*

*Shift the mantle of religion from one  
shoulder to the other*

*Shutting the stable-door when the steed  
is stolen*

*Sick soldiers captured on the water  
should be hanged*

*Sick and wounded wretches were burned  
over slow fires*

*Simple truth was highest skill*

*Sixteen of their best ships had been  
sacrificed*

*Slain four hundred and ten men with his  
own hand*

*Slavery was both voluntary and  
compulsory*

*Slender stock of platitudes*

*Small matter which human folly had  
dilated into a great one*

*Smooth words, in the plentiful lack of  
any substantial*

*So much responsibility and so little  
power*

*So often degenerated into tyranny  
(Calvinism)*

*So much in advance of his time as to  
favor religious equality*

*So unconscious of her strength*

*Soldier of the cross was free upon his  
return*

*Soldiers enough to animate the good and  
terrify the bad*

*Solitary and morose, the necessary  
consequence of reckless study*

*Some rude lessons from that vigorous  
little commonwealth*

*Sometimes successful, even although  
founded upon sincerity*

*Sonnets of Petrarch*

*Sovereignty was heaven-born, anointed  
of God*

*Spain was governed by an established  
terrorism*

*Spaniards seem wise, and are madmen*

*Sparing and war have no affinity  
together*

*Spendthrift of time, he was an  
economist of blood*

*Spirit of a man who wishes to be proud  
of his country*

*St. Peter's dome rising a little nearer  
to the clouds*

*St. Bartholomew was to sleep for seven  
years longer*

*Stake or gallows (for) heretics to  
transubstantiation*

*Stand between hope and fear*

*State can best defend religion by  
letting it alone*

*States were justified in their almost  
unlimited distrust*

*Steeped to the lips in sloth which  
imagined itself to be pride*

*Storm by which all these treasures were  
destroyed (in 7 days)*

*Strangled his nineteen brothers on his  
accession*

*Strength does a falsehood acquire in  
determined and skilful hand*

*String of homely proverbs worthy of  
Sancho Panza*

*Stroke of a broken table knife  
sharpened on a carriage wheel*

*Studied according to his inclinations  
rather than by rule*

*Style above all other qualities seems  
to embalm for posterity*

*Subtle and dangerous enemy who wore the  
mask of a friend*

*Succeeded so well, and had been  
requited so ill*

*Successful in this step, he is ready  
for greater ones*

*Such a crime as this had never been  
conceived (bankruptcy)*

*Such an excuse was as bad as the  
accusation*

*Suicide is confession*

*Superfluous sarcasm*

*Suppress the exercise of the Roman  
religion*

*Sure bind, sure find*

*Sword in hand is the best pen to write  
the conditions of peace*

*Take all their imaginations and  
extravagances for truths*

*Talked impatiently of the value of my  
time*

*Tanchelyn*

*Taxation upon sin*

*Taxed themselves as highly as fifty per  
cent*

*Taxes upon income and upon consumption*

*Tempest of passion and prejudice*

*Ten thousand two hundred and twenty  
individuals were burned*

*Tension now gave place to exhaustion*

*That vile and mischievous animal called  
the people*

*That crowned criminal, Philip the  
Second*

*That unholy trinity—Force; Dogma, and  
Ignorance*

*That cynical commerce in human lives*

*That he tries to lay the fault on us is  
pure malice*

*The tragedy of Don Carlos*

*The worst were encouraged with their  
good success*

*The history of the Netherlands is  
history of liberty*

*The great ocean was but a Spanish lake*

*The divine speciality of a few  
transitory mortals*

*The sapling was to become the tree*

*The nation which deliberately carves  
itself in pieces*

*The expenses of James's household*

*The Catholic League and the Protestant  
Union*

*The blaze of a hundred and fifty  
burning vessels*

*The magnitude of this wonderful  
sovereign's littleness*

*The defence of the civil authority  
against the priesthood*

*The assassin, tortured and torn by four  
horses*

*The Gaul was singularly unchaste*

*The vivifying becomes afterwards the  
dissolving principle*

*The bad Duke of Burgundy, Philip  
surnamed "the Good,"*

*The greatest crime, however, was to be*

*rich*

*The more conclusive arbitration of  
gunpowder*

*The disunited provinces*

*The noblest and richest temple of the  
Netherlands was a wreck*

*The voice of slanderers*

*The calf is fat and must be killed*

*The illness was a convenient one*

*The egg had been laid by Erasmus,  
hatched by Luther*

*The perpetual reproductions of history*

*The very word toleration was to sound  
like an insult*

*The most thriving branch of national  
industry (Smuggler)*

*The pigmy, as the late queen had been  
fond of nicknaming him*

*The slightest theft was punished with  
the gallows*

*The art of ruling the world by doing  
nothing*

*The wisest statesmen are prone to  
blunder in affairs of war*

*The Alcoran was less cruel than the  
Inquisition*

*The People had not been invented*

*The small children diminished rapidly  
in numbers*

*The busy devil of petty economy*

*The record of our race is essentially  
unwritten*

*The truth in shortest about matters of  
importance*

*The time for reasoning had passed*

*The effect of energetic, uncompromising  
calumny*

*The evils resulting from a confederate  
system of government*

*The vehicle is often prized more than  
the freight*

*The faithful servant is always a  
perpetual ass*

*The dead men of the place are my  
intimate friends*

*The loss of hair, which brings on  
premature decay*

*The personal gifts which are nature's  
passport everywhere*

*The nation is as much bound to be  
honest as is the individual*

*The fellow mixes blood with his colors!*



*Their existence depended on war*

*Their own roofs were not quite yet in a blaze*

*Theological hatred was in full blaze throughout the country*

*Theology and politics were one*

*There is no man who does not desire to enjoy his own*

*There was but one king in Europe, Henry the Bearnese*

*There are few inventions in morals*

*There was no use in holding language of authority to him*

*There was apathy where there should have been enthusiasm*

*There is no man fitter for that purpose than myself*

*Therefore now denounced the man whom he had injured*

*These human victims, chained and burning at the stake*

*They had come to disbelieve in the mystery of kingcraft*

*They chose to compel no man's conscience*

*They could not invent or imagine toleration*

*They knew very little of us, and that little wrong*

*They have killed him, 'e ammazato,' cried Concini*

*They were always to deceive every one, upon every occasion*

*They liked not such divine right nor such gentle-mindedness*

*They had at last burned one more preacher alive*

*Things he could tell which are too odious and dreadful*

*Thirty thousand masses should be said for his soul*

*Thirty-three per cent. interest was paid (per month)*

*Thirty Years' War tread on the heels of the forty years*

*This Somebody may have been one whom we should call Nobody*

*This, then, is the reward of forty years' service to the State*

*This obstinate little republic*

*This wonderful sovereign's littleness oppresses the imagination*

*Those who fish in troubled waters only to fill their own nets*

*Those who "sought to swim between two waters"*

*Those who argue against a foregone conclusion*

*Thought that all was too little for him*

*Thousands of burned heretics had not made a single convert*

*Three hundred fighting women*

*Three hundred and upwards are hanged annually in London*

*Three or four hundred petty sovereigns (of Germany)*

*Throw the cat against their legs*

*Thus Hand-weapon, hand-throwing, became Antwerp*

*Time and myself are two*

*Tis pity he is not an Englishman*

*To think it capable of error, is the most devilish heresy of all*

*To stifle for ever the right of free enquiry*

*To attack England it was necessary to take the road of Ireland*

*To hear the last solemn commonplaces*

*To prefer poverty to the wealth attendant upon trade*

*To shirk labour, infinite numbers become priests and friars*

*To doubt the infallibility of Calvin was as heinous a crime*

*To negotiate with Government in England was to bribe*

*To milk, the cow as long as she would give milk*

*To work, ever to work, was the primary law of his nature*

*To negotiate was to bribe right and left, and at every step*

*To look down upon their inferior and lost fellow creatures*

*Toil and sacrifices of those who have preceded us*

*Tolerate another religion that his own may be tolerated*

*Tolerating religious liberty had never entered his mind*

*Toleration—that intolerable term of insult*

*Toleration thought the deadliest heresy of all*

*Torquemada's administration (of the inquisition)*

*Torturing, hanging, embowelling of men, women, and children*

*Tranquil insolence*

*Tranquillity rather of paralysis than  
of health*

*Tranquillity of despotism to the  
turbulence of freedom*

*Triple marriages between the respective  
nurseries*

*Trust her sword, not her enemy's word*

*Twas pity, he said, that both should be  
heretics*

*Twenty assaults upon fame and had forty  
books killed under him*

*Two witnesses sent him to the stake,  
one witness to the rack*

*Tyrannical spirit of Calvinism*

*Tyranny, ever young and ever old,  
constantly reproducing herself*

*Uncouple the dogs and let them run*

*Under the name of religion (so many  
crimes)*

*Understood the art of managing men,  
particularly his superiors*

*Undue anxiety for impartiality*

*Unduly dejected in adversity*

*Unequivocal policy of slave  
emancipation*

*Unimaginable outrage as the most  
legitimate industry*

*Universal suffrage was not dreamed of  
at that day*

*Unlearned their faith in bell, book,  
and candle*

*Unproductive consumption being  
accounted most sagacious*

*Unproductive consumption was alarmingly  
increasing*

*Unremitted intellectual labor in an  
honorable cause*

*Unwise impatience for peace*

*Upon their knees, served the queen with  
wine*

*Upon one day twenty-eight master cooks  
were dismissed*

*Upper and lower millstones of royal  
wrath and loyal subserviency*

*Use of the spade*

*Usual phraseology of enthusiasts*

*Usual expedient by which bad  
legislation on one side countered*

*Utter disproportions between the king's  
means and aims*

*Utter want of adaptation of his means*

*to his ends*

*Uttering of my choler doth little ease  
my grief or help my case*

*Unmeaning phrases of barren benignity*

*Vain belief that they were men at  
eighteen or twenty*

*Valour on the one side and discretion  
on the other*

*Villagers, or villeins*

*Visible atmosphere of power the poison  
of which*

*Volatile word was thought preferable to  
the permanent letter*

*Vows of an eternal friendship of  
several weeks' duration*

*Waiting the pleasure of a capricious  
and despotic woman*

*Walk up and down the earth and destroy  
his fellow-creatures*

*War was the normal and natural  
condition of mankind*

*War was the normal condition of  
Christians*

*War to compel the weakest to follow the  
religion of the strongest*

*Was it astonishing that murder was more  
common than fidelity?*

*Wasting time fruitlessly is sharpening  
the knife for himself*

*We were sold by their negligence who  
are now angry with us*

*We believe our mothers to have been  
honest women*

*We are beginning to be vexed*

*We must all die once*

*We have been talking a little bit of  
truth to each other*

*We have the reputation of being a good  
housewife*

*We mustn't tickle ourselves to make  
ourselves laugh*

*Wealth was an unpardonable sin*

*Wealthy Papists could obtain immunity  
by an enormous fine*

*Weapons*

*Weary of place without power*

*Weep oftener for her children than is  
the usual lot of mothers*

*Weight of a thousand years of error*

*What exchequer can accept chronic  
warfare and escape bankruptcy*

*What could save the House of Austria,  
the cause of Papacy*

*What was to be done in this world and  
believed as to the next*

*When persons of merit suffer without  
cause*

*When all was gone, they began to eat  
each other*

*When the abbot has dice in his pocket,  
the convent will play*

*Whether dead infants were hopelessly  
damned*

*Whether murders or stratagems, as if  
they were acts of virtue*

*Whether repentance could effect  
salvation*

*While one's friends urge moderation*

*Who the "people" exactly were*

*Who loved their possessions better than  
their creed*

*Whole revenue was pledged to pay the  
interest, on his debts*

*Whose mutual hatred was now artfully  
inflamed by partisans*

*William of Nassau, Prince of Orange*

*William Brewster*

*Wise and honest a man, although he be  
somewhat longsome*

*Wiser simply to satisfy himself*

*Wish to sell us the bear-skin before  
they have killed the bear*

*Wish to appear learned in matters of  
which they are ignorant*

*With something of feline and feminine  
duplicity*

*Wonder equally at human capacity to  
inflict and to endure misery*

*Wonders whether it has found its harbor  
or only lost its anchor*

*Word peace in Spanish mouths simply  
meant the Holy Inquisition*

*Word-mongers who, could clothe one  
shivering thought*

*Words are always interpreted to the  
disadvantage of the weak*

*Work of the aforesaid Puritans and a  
few Jesuits*

*World has rolled on to fresher fields  
of carnage and ruin*

*Worn crescents in their caps at Leyden*

*Worn nor caused to be worn the collar  
of the serf*

*Worship God according to the dictates  
of his conscience*

*Would not help to burn fifty or sixty*

*thousand Netherlanders*

*Wrath of the Jesuits at this exercise  
of legal authority*

*Wrath of bigots on both sides*

*Wrath of that injured personage as he  
read such libellous truths*

*Wringing a dry cloth for drops of  
evidence*

*Write so illegibly or express himself  
so awkwardly*

*Writing letters full of injured  
innocence*

*Yes, there are wicked men about*

*Yesterday is the preceptor of To-morrow*

*You must show your teeth to the  
Spaniard*



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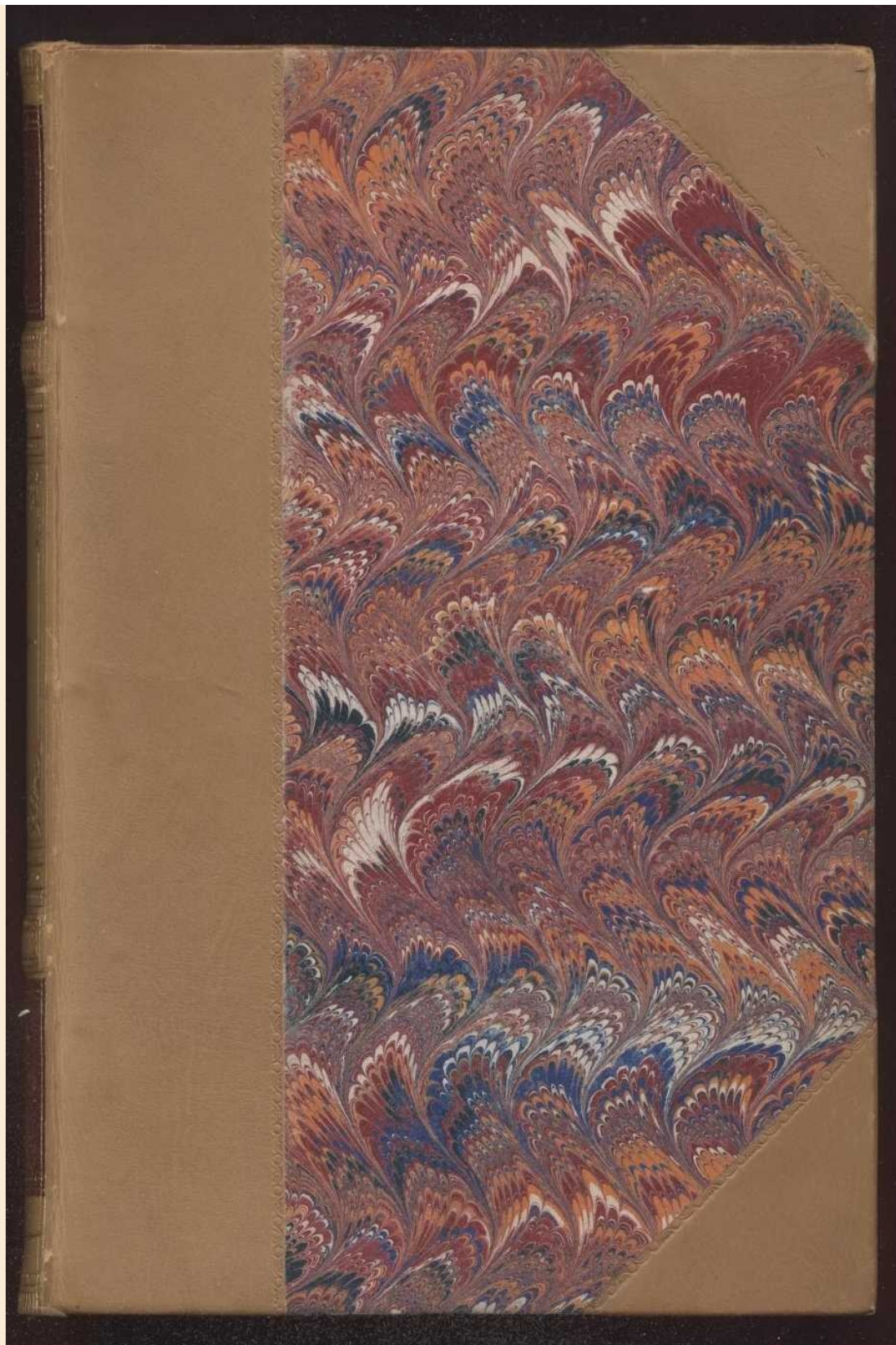
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