A Perfect Diurnall

PASSAGES PARLIAMENT.

And from other parts of this Kingdom, from Munday the 29. of January, till Munday the 5. of February, Anno 1649.

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Tuesday, the 30. of Fanuary



his day the King was beheaded, over against the Banqueting house by White-Hall. The manner of Execution, and what passed before his death take thus.

He was brought from Saint James about ten in the morning, walking on foot through the Park, with a Regiment of Foot for his guard, with Colours flying, Drums beating, his private Guard of Partisans, with some of his Gentlemen before, and some behind bareheaded, Doctor Juxon late Bishop of London next behind him, and Colonel

Thomlinfon (who had charge of him) to the Gallery in Whitehall, and so into the Cabinet Chamber, where he used to lie, where he continued at his Devotion... The Scaffold was hung round with black, and the floor covered with black, and the Axe and Block laid in the middle of the Scaffold. There were diverse companies of Foot and Horse, on every side the Scaffold and the multitudes of people that came to be Spectators, very great. The King making a Pass upn the Scaffold looked very earnestly on the Block, and asked Colonel Hacker if there were no higher, and then spake thus, directing his speech to the Gentlemen upon the Scaffold. King, I shall be very little heard of any body here, I shall therefore speak a word unto you here; indeed I could hold my peace very well, if I did not think that holding my peace, would make some men think that I did submit to the guilt, as well as to the punishment; but I think it is my duty to God first, and to my Country, for to clear my self both as an honest man, and a good king, and a good Christian. I shall begin first with my Innocency. In troth I think it not very needful for me to infist long upon this, for all the world knows that I never did begin a war with the two houses of Parliament, and I call God to witness, to whom I must shortly make an account, that I never did intend for to encroach upon their Privileges; they began upon me; it is the Militia they began upon; they confessed that the Militia was mine, bu they thought it fit to have it from me; and to be short, if any body will look to the dates of Commissions, theirs and mine, and likewise to the Dedarations, will