ENGLISH CIVIL WAR 1640-1660

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James I Stuart 1603-1625

James VI of Scotland and James I of England

James VI of Scotland imposes Bishops on Scottish Presbyterian Church

James I as head of Anglican Church:
episcopal structure as hierarchical, culminating in
King as head of Church

1604 Hampton Court Conference:declares "no Bishops, no King"strong opposition to Presbyterian movement in England

authorizes the "King James" translation of Bible

Catholics: seen as treasonous, called "recusants" (refusers) since 1588 Spanish Armada

James I Stuart 1621

Portrait by Daniel Mytens

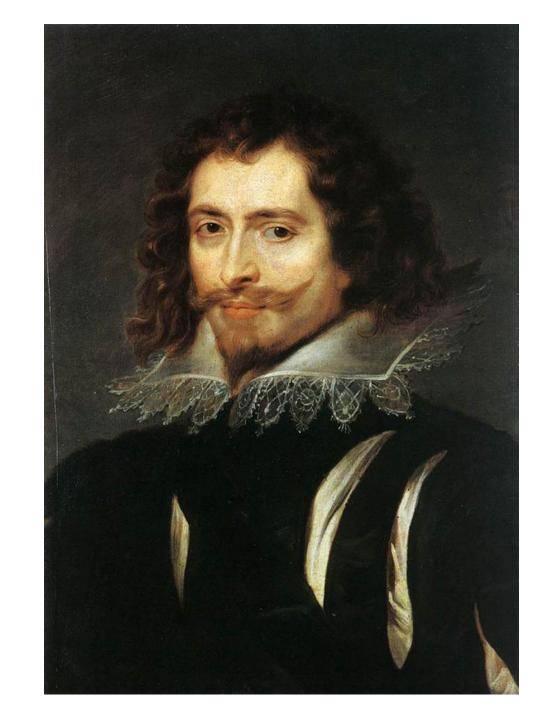


Duke of Buckingham George Villiers

Court favorite of James I, major role under Charles I

Assassinated in 1629 by a "disappointed office seeker"

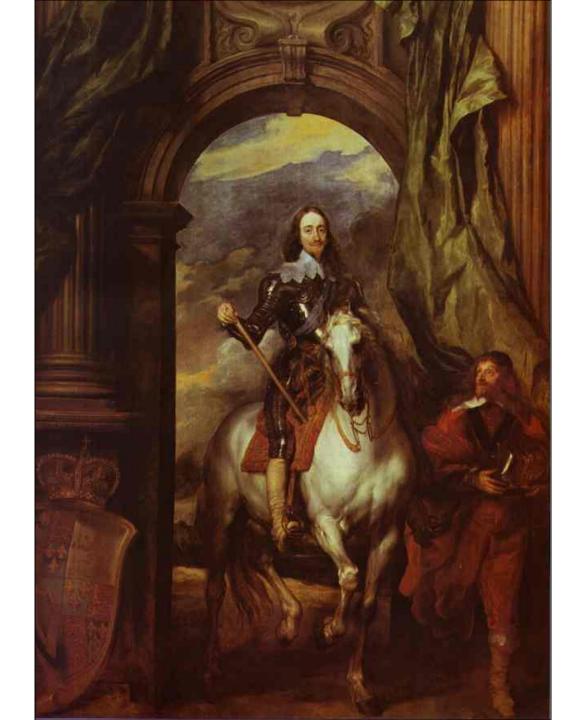
Portrait by Peter Paul Rubens 1625



Charles I Stuart 1625-1649

Equestrian

Anthony Van Dyck (1599-1641) Flemish Baroque painter





Triptych of Charles I Anthony van Dyck

Charles I versus Parliament:

Financial issues: refusal to vote traditional revenues for life King uses "forced loans"

1628 Petition of Right: Parliament wants all funds levied only with its consent, due process of law

1629-1640 Personal rule of Charles I
Parliament not called for 11 years

1635 Ship Money: extended to inland towns1637 John Hampden: Puritan tax resister

- ARMINIANISM -- High Church party (Arminius = Dutch theologian)
 - 1) worship: sacraments, Mass, vestments, altar railings enforcement of Book of Common Prayer uniform services throughout England
 - 2) theology: latitudinarian (broad access to salvation) anti-predestinarian

LAUDIAN REVIVAL:

1633 Archbishop Laud as AB of Canterbury anti-Puritan, seen as crypto-Catholic, possible reunion with Rome? offer of Cardinal's hat

Catholics become prominent at court – French Queen Henrietta Marie

1637 Puritan pamphleteers against Laud have ears cropped William Pyrnne – branded on both cheeks SL S = seditious L = libellous Scotland: attempt to impose Book of Common Prayer

1638 SCOTTISH REVOLT: invade England

Charles forced to call Parliament (Presbyterian, Puritan leanings)

1640-1653 LONG PARLIAMENT & PURITAN REVOLUTION

1642 Charles attempts coup: enters Parliament with armed men coup fails, flees to north = start of Civil War

ENGLISH RELIGIOUS FACTIONS AFTER 1640

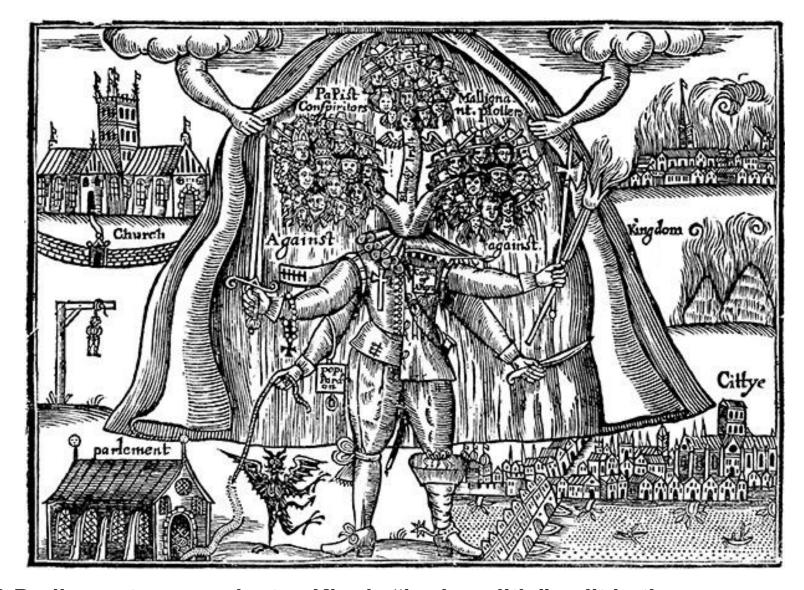
PRESBYTERIANS: want state church on Scottish model Social agenda: "Puritanism"," Calvinist style Consistory: church court of laymen, elders (presbyters) to enforce morality, Christian discipline

INDEPENDENTS: reject state church
Congregational model: voluntary Puritan churches
Cromwell supports Independents

RADICALS: sectarian organization (sect versus church)
non-conformist dissenters
Fifth Monarchy Men: apocalyptic, millennium in 1666
four earlier are Babylon, Macedonia, Persia, Rome
Levellers: egalitarian society; universal male suffrage
Diggers: agrarian Christian communists;
division of land among agricultural workers
Also: Ranters, Quakers, Shakers, Seekers...

No press censorship 1640 -1660 = all groups print pamphlets

[See Christopher Hill, The World Turned Upside Down]



1643 Parliamentary woodcut: King's "body politic" split in three between "Papist conspirators," "Bloody Irish" (middle) and Royalist Cavaliers "Malignant plotters," plus Devil on the Papist side

CAVALIERS: English Royalist aristocrats fight for Charles I in Civil War



Puritan "Roundhead" helmets worn by Cromwell's New Model Army



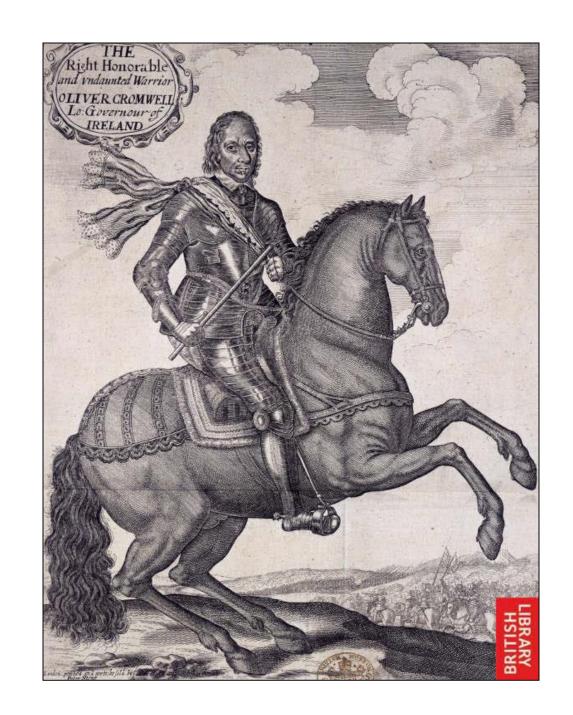




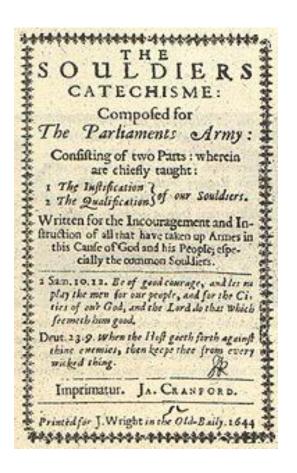
Oliver Cromwell 1599-1658

Leads regiment called "Ironsides"

Rises to become head of the New Model Army



New Model Army: Puritanism as motivation in The Souldiers Catechism composed for the Parliament's Army 1644



I had rather have a plain, russet-coated Captain, that knows what he fights for, and loves what he knows, than what you call a Gentleman and is nothing else.

Oliver Cromwell

Oliver Cromwell 1650

Robert Walker



1643 Battle of Marston Moor: royalist defeat "Ironsides Regiment" of Oliver Cromwell gains victory for New Model Army of Roundhead Puritans "God made them stubble to our swords." Cromwell

1645 Battle of Naseby surrender of Charles I after final defeat

1648 Cromwell crushes Presbyterian & Cavalier rising for King = realignment against radicals

1649 Pride's Purge:

Presbyterians who support state church expelled from Parliament only Independents remain =

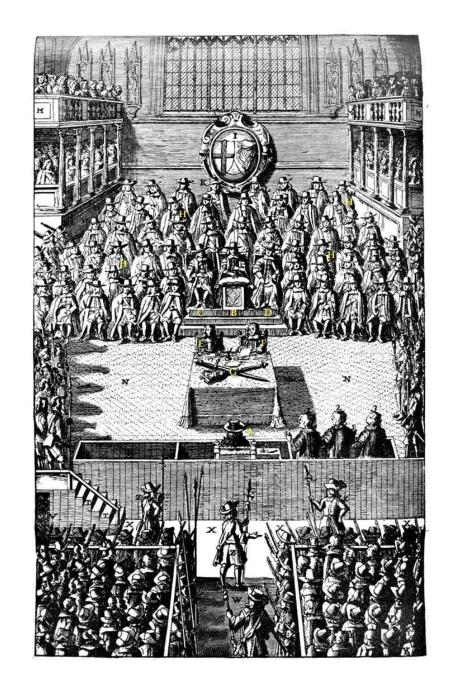
RUMP Parliament (60 members) votes on execution of King

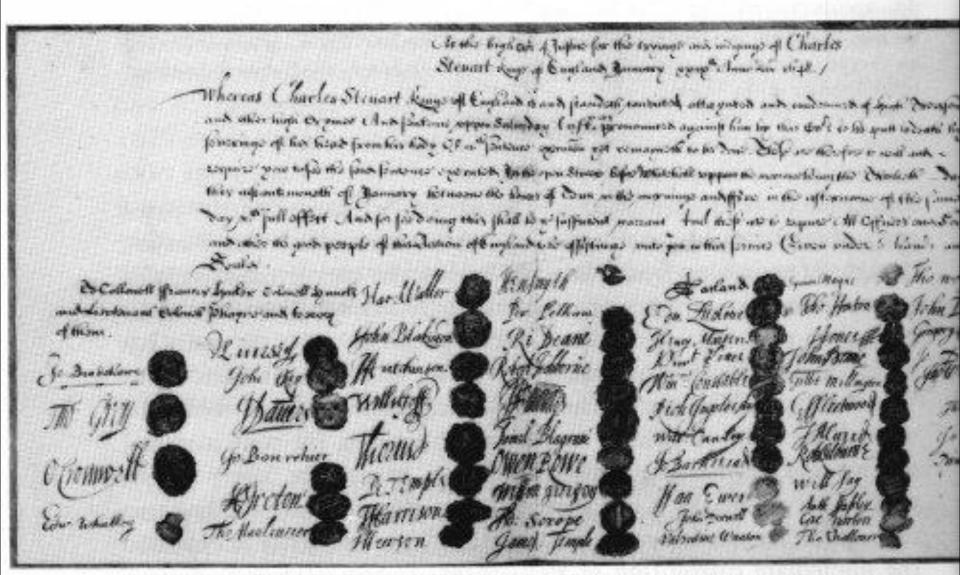
1649 Trial of Charles I

by the Rump Parliament

Charged with being a "tyrant, traitor, murderer, a public and implacable enemy to the Commonwealth of England."

Charles' response:
"Princes are not
bound to give an
account of their
actions but to God
alone."



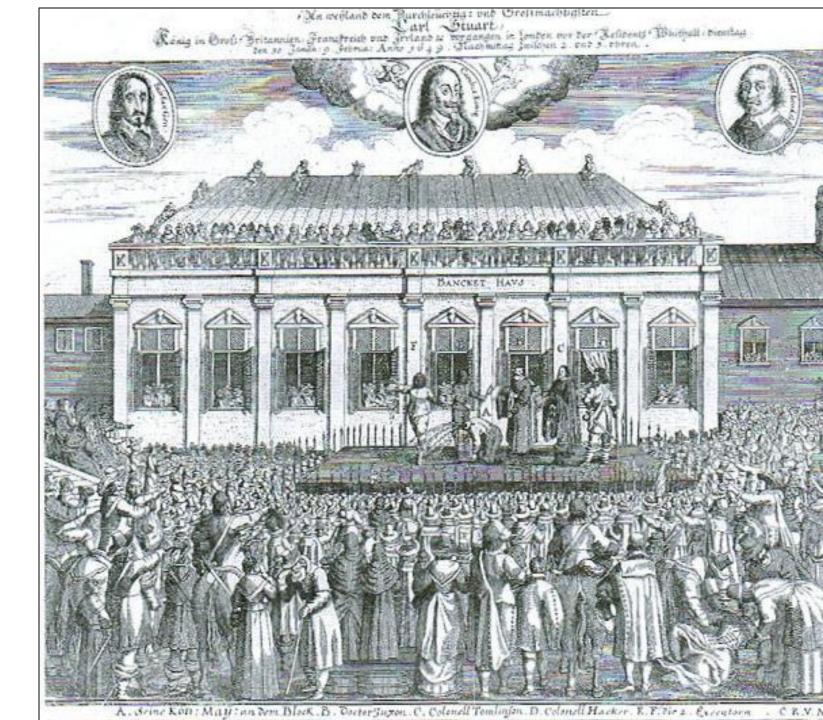


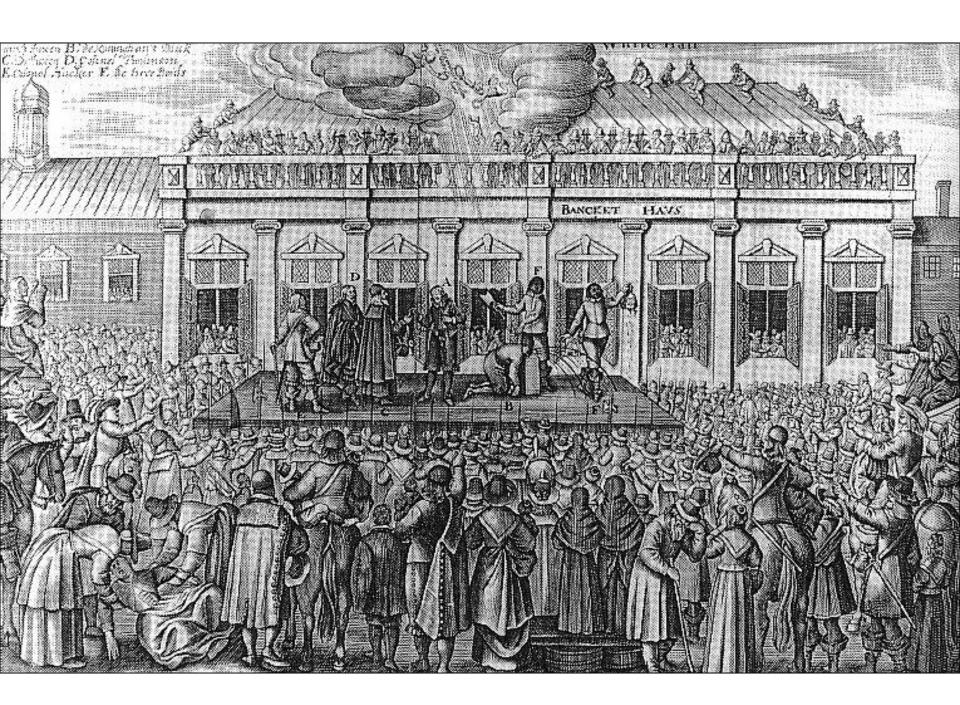
A facsimile of the King's death-warrant. The signatures include Bradshaw's and Cromwell's in the first column, and Ireton's and Mauleverer's in the second

Execution of "Charles I, King and Martyr"

1649

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Anonymous painting 1649: Charles I (left) Cromwell (right)

1647 PUTNEY DEBATES: Cromwell presides

debate over the political makeup of new Puritan Republic

Levellers: want universal male suffrage: Col. Rainsborough

"...I think that the poorest he that is in England hath a life to live, as the greatest he; and therefore truly, Sir, I think it's clear, that every man that is to live under a government ought first by his own consent to put himself under that government; and I do think that the poorest man in England is not bound in a strict sense to that government that he hath not had a voice to put himself under. "

Independents: want vote for property holders only:

Henry Ireton response to Rainsborough

"No person hath a right to an interest or share in the disposing of the affairs of the kingdom, and in determining or choosing those that shall determine what laws we shall be ruled by here — no person hath a right to this, that hath not a permanent fixed interest in this kingdom [i.e. owns property]."

INTERREGNUM 1649-1660 (between the reigns)

PURITAN REPUBLIC under Cromwell's leadership 1649-1653 **CROMWELL** as dominant in politics, military, religion

1649-1650 Military campaign in Ireland
Penal Laws: anti-Catholic, confiscation of land
1650-51 Military campaign in Scotland

1653 -1658 PROTECTORATE

Cromwell dissolves Parliament, standing army of 50,000 institutes one-man rule declares himself

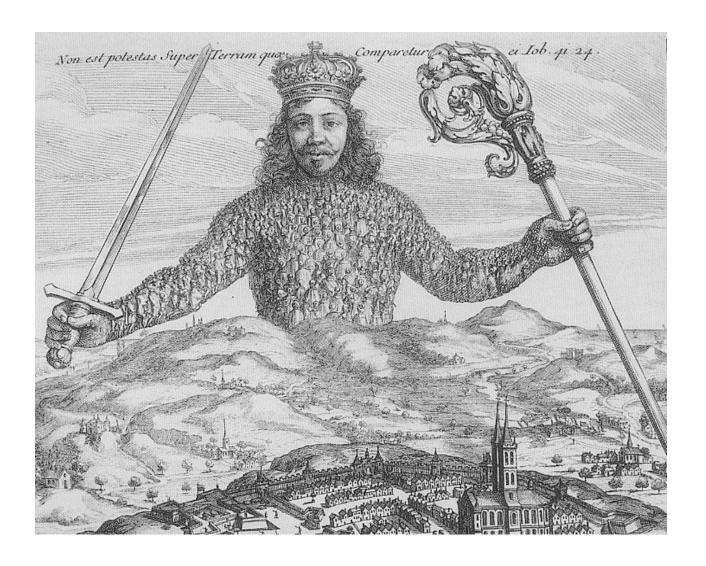
LORD PROTECTOR of ENGLAND, SCOTLAND AND IRELAND

1655 readmission of Jews to England (exiled since 1292) motivation is commercial, trade, but also religious1658 Cromwell's death leaves political vacuum

"There is no power on Earth that can compare to him. Job 41,24

Hobbes'
Leviathan
1651

seen as justification for Cromwell, fired by Charles II Stuart in exile



Cover engraving for Hobbes

Leviathan

1651

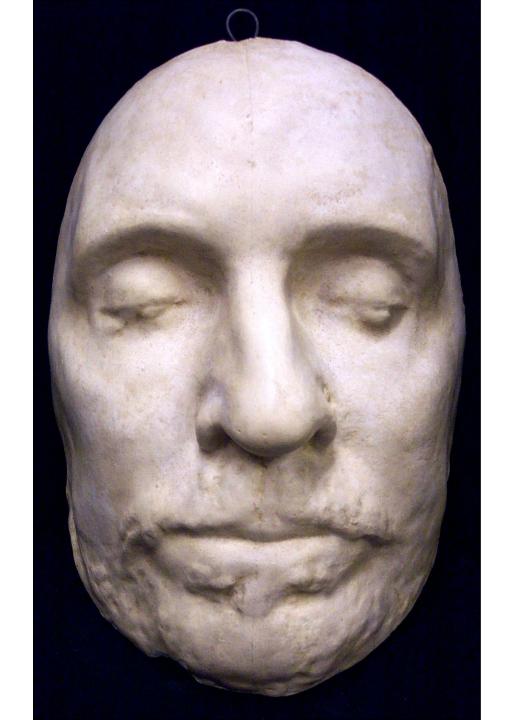
Right hand: sword, power of the state

Left hand: Bishop's scepter, power of the Church

ERASTIAN = state decides on religion



Death mask of Oliver Cromwell



RESTORATION ENGLAND 1660-1688

KING CHARLES II Stuart 1660-1685:

no conditions put on his return from France: his model is divine right absolutism of Louis XIV

Initial actions:

execution of the regicides of 1649 hanged, drawn & quartered

restoration of Church of England (Anglican)

1660 Restoration of Stuart Monarchy after death of Cromwell



Coronation of Charles II 1660– triumphal procession with Roman style arches Charles II

John Michael Wright

What does this image convey?



Charles II Restored 1660

After exile in France since 1640's with Louis XIV with his brother James

Both lean towards absolutism, divine right, Anglicanism and later even... Catholicism



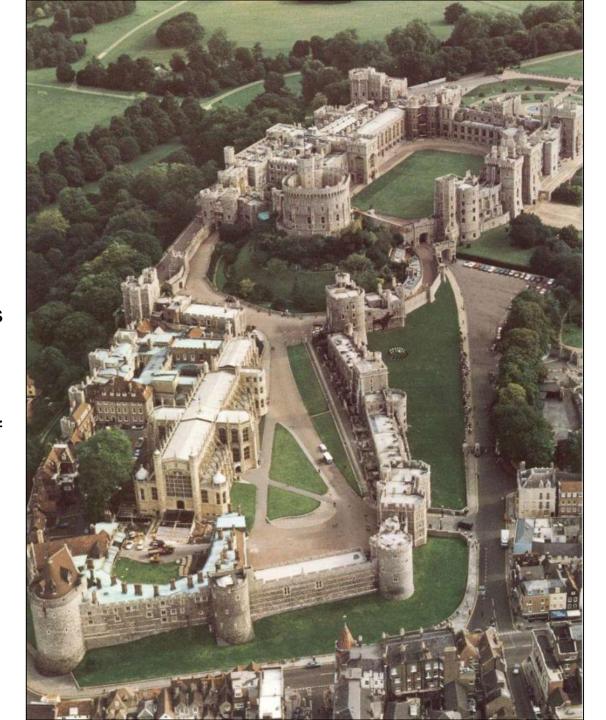
Charles II as patron of sciences

Windsor Castle

Enlarged by Charles II

(competing with Louis XIV's Versailles)

Located west of London on the Thames River



James II Stuart Catholic convert since 1670

Reign 1685-1688

Exiled in the Glorious Revolution 1688



The Stuart Dynasty

James I (r. 1603-1625)

Charles I (r. 1625-1649)

Interregnum (1649-1660)

Charles II (r.1660 -1685)

James II (r.1685-1688)

Mary II, William III and The Act of Settlement

Anne (r.1702-1714)

The House of Stuart

by Ed Stephan

