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LANCELOT ANDREWS,

LATE LORD BISHOP OF WINCHESTER:

AN OLD TRACT FOR NEW TIMES.

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EDITED BY A LAYMAN.

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"Having made (Tithes) His whose they are, let us be warned by other men's example what it is to wash or clip that coin which hath on it the mark of God."

HOOKE, *Ecc. Pol. Book v. 79.*

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ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS  
OF THE  
CHURCH CATHOLIC IN ENGLAND AND IRELAND,  
IN THE HOPE THAT, THROUGH THEIR INFLUENCE,  
THE SACRED PRINCIPLE OF TITHES MAY STILL BE RESPECTED  
BY THE LEGISLATURE,  
AND REMAIN INCORPORATED IN OUR CONSTITUTION,  
THIS NEW EDITION OF THE TREATISE  
OF THE PIOUS AND LEARNED LANCELOT ANDREWS,  
LATE LORD BISHOP OF WINCHESTER,  
IS DEDICATED,  
BY THEIR MOST OBEDIENT HUMBLE SERVANT,  
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OF THE  
**RIGHT of TITHES.**

A

*Divinity Determination in the Publike Divinity  
Schools of the University of  
CAMBRIDG.*

By the Right Reverend Father in God  
**LANCELOT ANDREWS:**  
Late Lord Bishop of Winchester.  
When he proceeded Doctor in Divinity.

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Translated for the benefit of the Publike.

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1 Cor. ix. 13. "Do ye not know that they which minister about  
holy things, live of the things of the Temple? And they which  
wait at the Altar, are partakers with the Altar?"

Vers. 14. Even so hath the Lord ordained, that they which preach  
the Gospel, should live of the Gospel."

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*The ensuing Tract, originally written in Latin, and entitled "De Decimis," was first printed in the posthumous Opuscula of Bishop Andrews, and dedicated by the Bishops of London and Ely to Charles I. 1629.*

*This translation, now reprinted, was published 1647.*

## TITHES

### OUGHT NOT TO BE ABROGATED.

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THAT such anciently were the manners of men, and such the times, wherein the condition of the priesthood was sumptuous and most flourishing, not only with those truly excellent ornaments of learning, but also with those of riches and preferments, history, the witness of truth, is a sufficient evidence.

Among the heathen, Theophrastus is my author, that instead of the tithe, wherein notwithstanding we take ourselves to be very bountiful, the thirds were paid. Among the Jews, Philo reporteth, that the wealth of the corban was oftentimes the object of envy to the neighbouring kings. Among the Christians, as in other nations, so truly in this our, it is certain that the desire to increase the revenue of the clergy proceeded to such a height, that it was greatly to be feared lest the church should swallow up the commonwealth; that therefore it was seasonably taken into consideration then, and so is now, when there is little need of caution, that no lands should be bequeathed in mortmain, *i. e.* to sacred uses, without the royal patent. Such anciently were the manners of men, and such the times. While men's manners and the times were such, a disputation touching the right of tithes was not doubtful, nor necessary; but at length in this our age, when, as commonly old men, so the world, growing old, is wholly set upon money: there is a general chiragra, an epidemical gout