

queen, she went first to Norwich, for fear of the Duke of Northumberland, and afterwards to London, as you read in the last chapter.

One of the very first things she did was to order the heads of the Duke of Northumberland and several other gentlemen to be cut off. She then offended the people by forbidding them to say their public prayers or to read the Bible in English: she ordered all the clergymen to send away their wives, and she determined to restore the Roman Catholic worship again.

Everybody now began to be sorry that Mary was queen, and a number of people collected under the command of Sir Thomas Wyatt and the Duke of Suffolk, to try to drive Mary out, and release Lady Jane, for this was before she was put to death; but the Duke of Norfolk with an army overcame Sir Thomas Wyatt, and saved Mary.

The hard-hearted queen determined to be revenged on those who had been with Sir Thomas Wyatt. Besides beheading Lady Jane, as I have told you, she ordered the heads of the Duke of Suffolk and many more gentlemen to be cut off, and stuck up the heads on poles all about the streets. She had fifty-two gentlemen hanged, all on the same day, and the people called the day Black Monday. She soon sent to fetch her sister Elizabeth from her house at Ashbridge, intending to cut off her head, but the princess was ill, and confined to her bed, and the messengers had not the heart to take her directly, and so she was saved.

The next thing Mary did to offend the people of England was to marry the Spanish prince, who was soon after Philip II., King of Spain. He was as ill-tempered and as cruel as the queen, and encouraged