

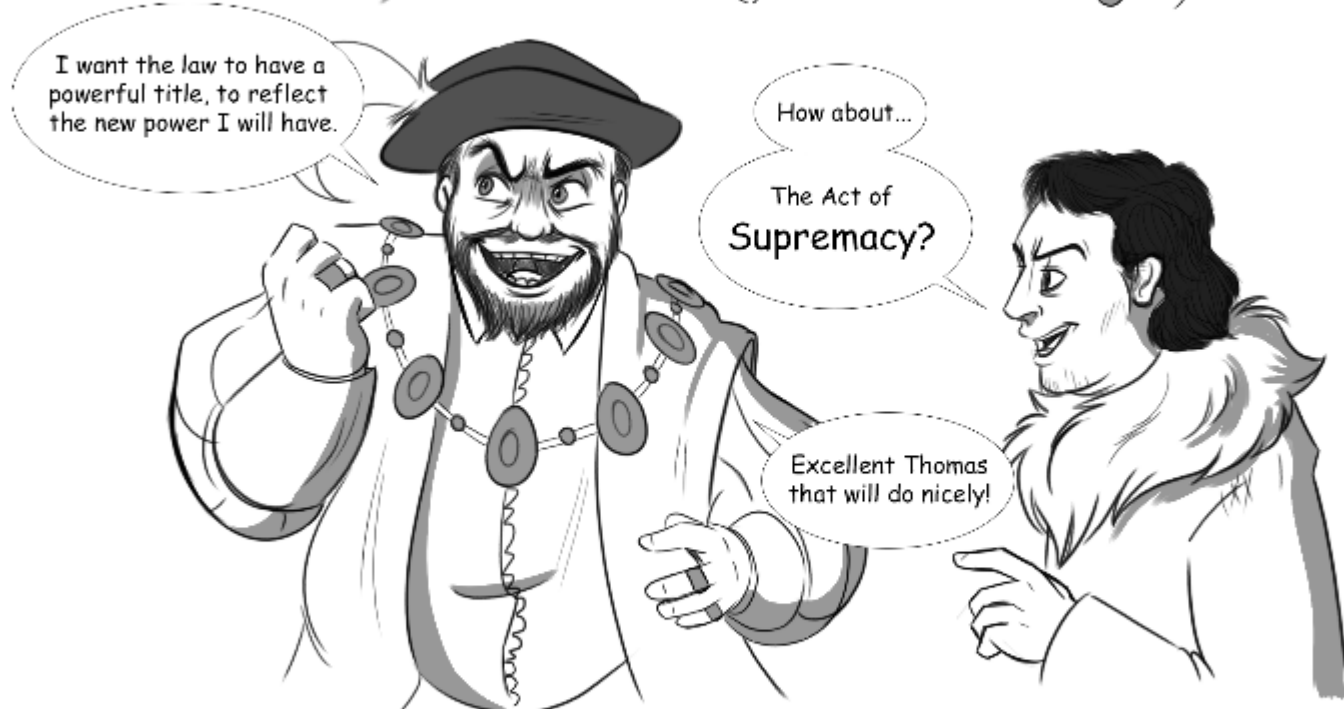
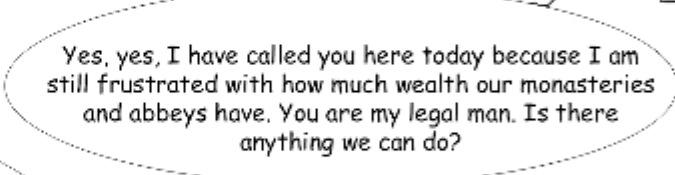


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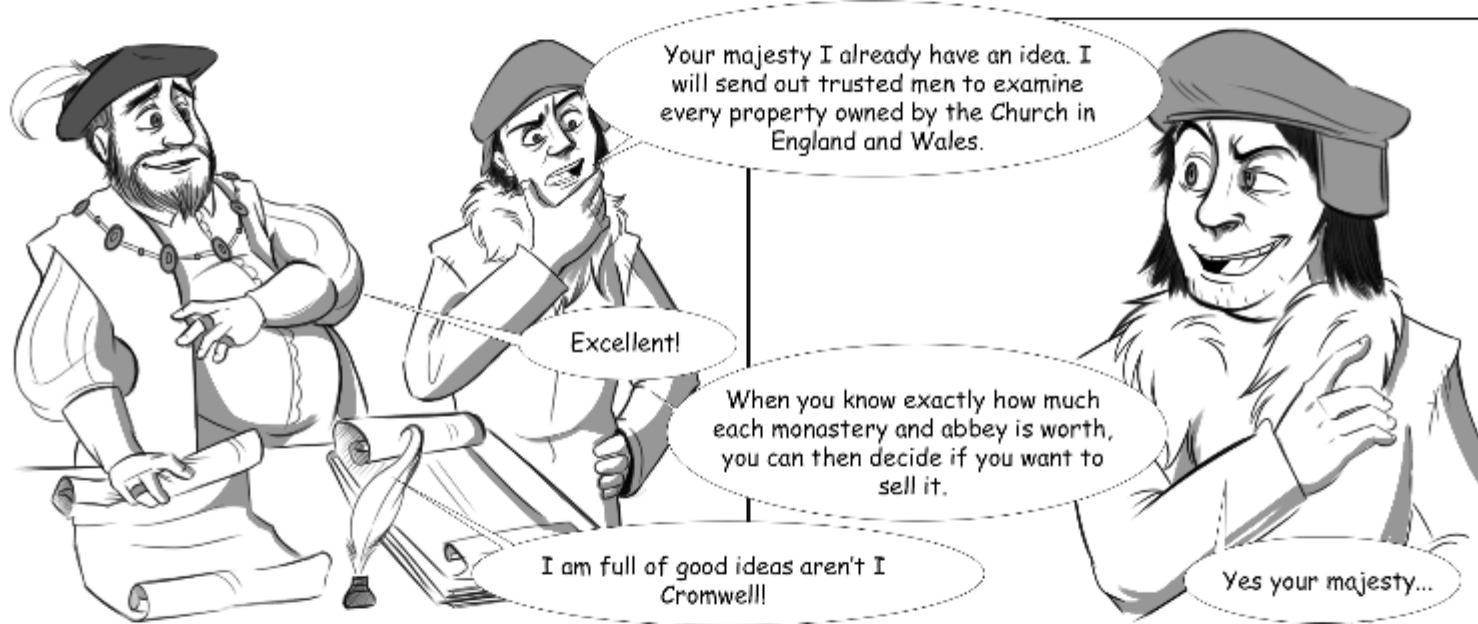
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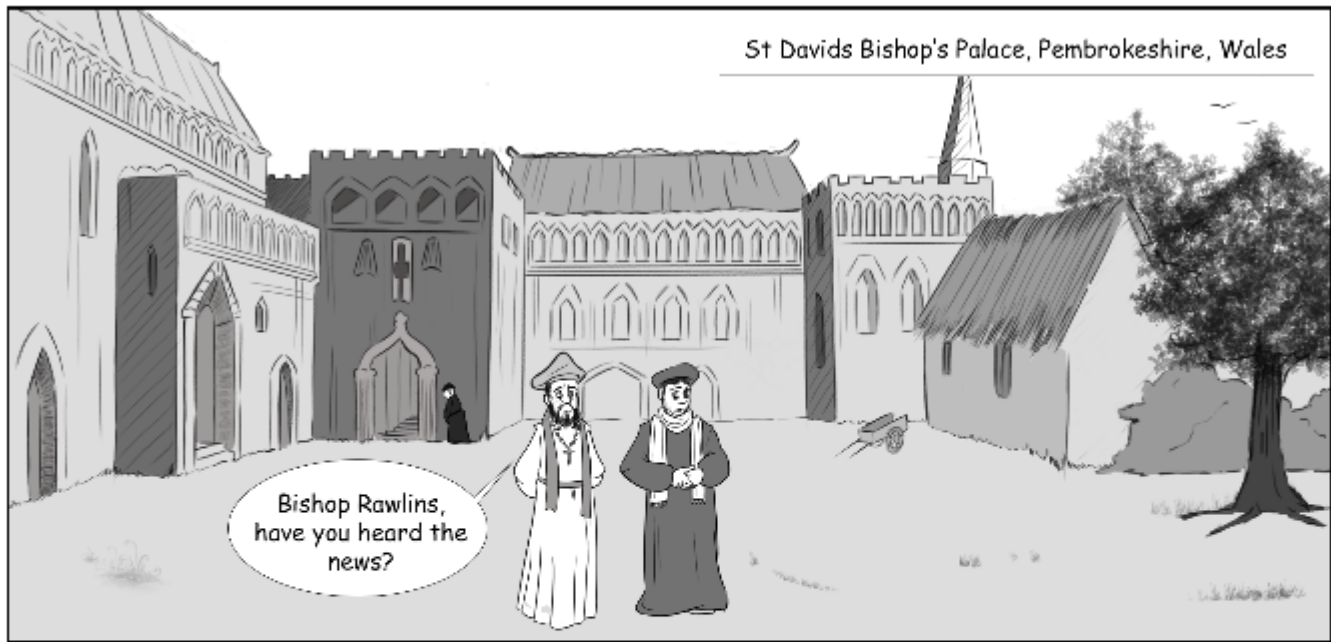






From 1534 onwards, King Henry VIII and Thomas Cromwell were constantly seeking ways to legally take money from the church in order to benefit the Crown.





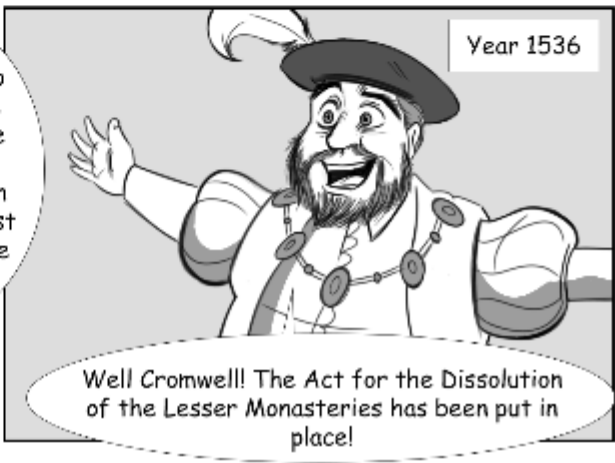
St Davids Bishop's Palace, Pembrokeshire, Wales

Bishop Rawlins, have you heard the news?



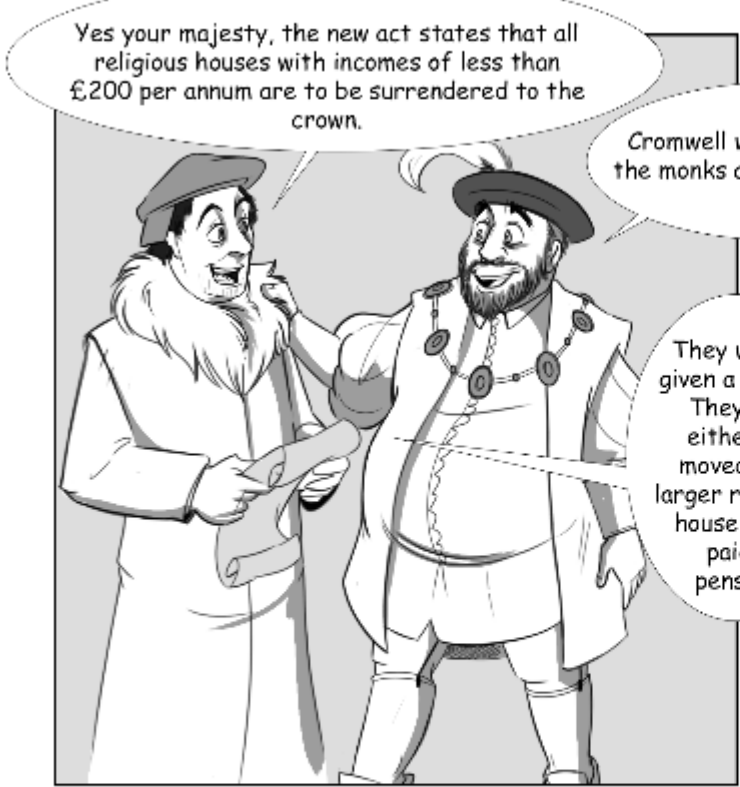
Thomas Cromwell is sending men to assess the worth of all monasteries, abbeys and priories?

Yes I have. I do believe that we will begin to see the closure of local places such as Haverfordwest Priory. Only time will tell.



Year 1536

Well Cromwell! The Act for the Dissolution of the Lesser Monasteries has been put in place!



Yes your majesty, the new act states that all religious houses with incomes of less than £200 per annum are to be surrendered to the crown.

Cromwell what will happen to the monks and nuns from these houses?

They will be given a choice. They can either be moved to a larger religious house or be paid a pension.



I will order the buildings to be stripped of anything valuable.

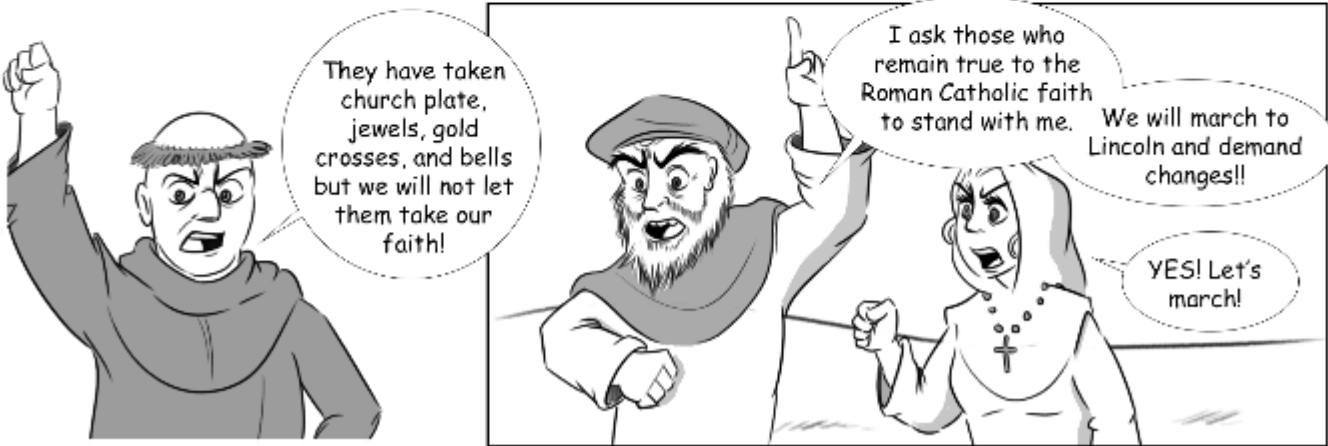
The furniture can go to auction. I will let lords and nobles rent the land from me.

I will soon have enough money to pay my armies and keep England and Wales safe.





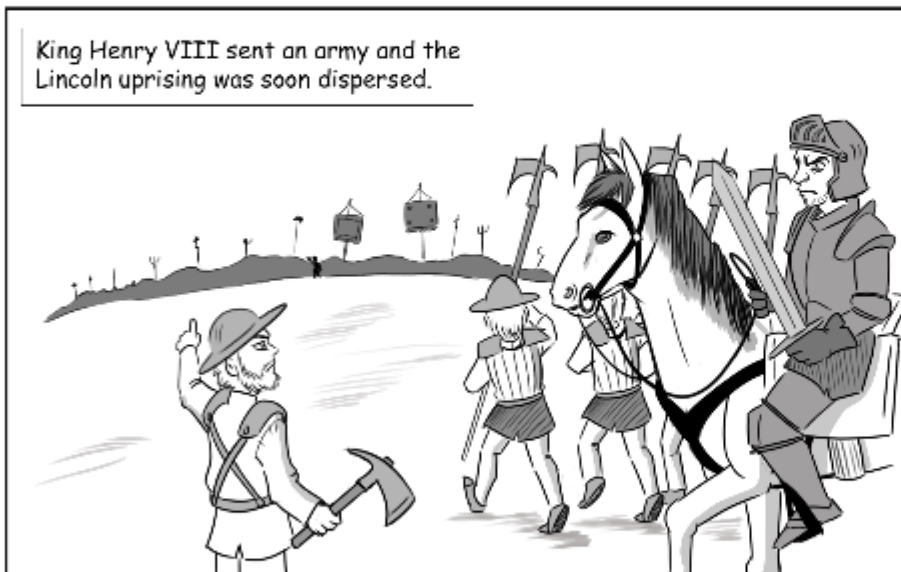
1st October 1536, Lincolnshire.



It was estimated that 40,000 demonstrators marched into Lincoln...



King Henry VIII sent an army and the Lincoln uprising was soon dispersed.



The main ringleaders were arrested for treason.

Inspired by their Lincoln uprising a second uprising began on the 13th October 1536, led by a man called Robert Aske.

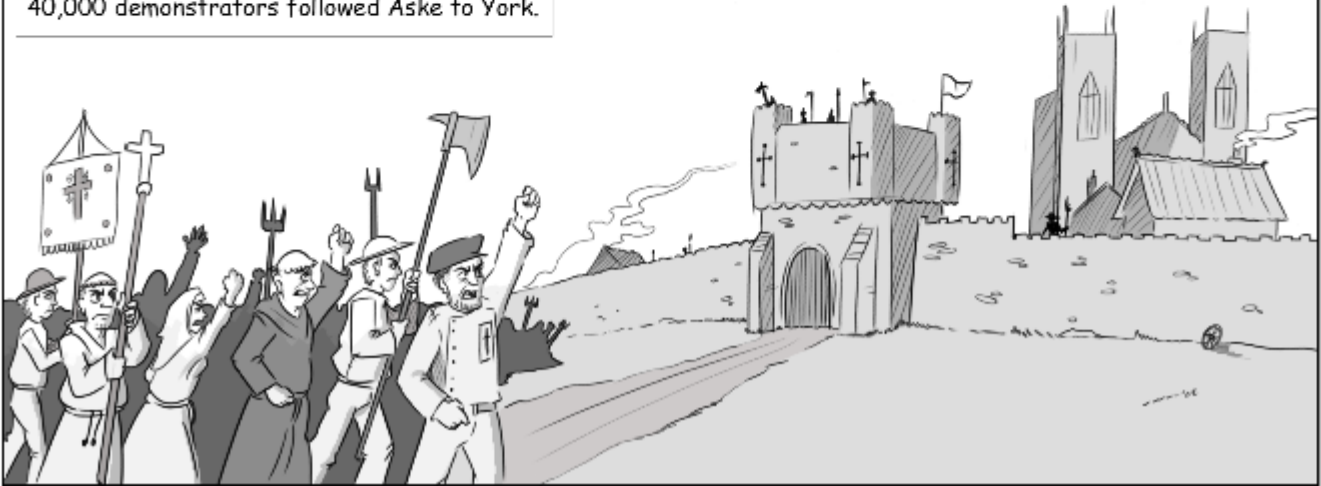


We must stand up against the King's laws. The harvest has failed and people starve because they can't be fed and housed in the monasteries.

The monasteries, have been given away when people need them the most. We will march on York. We will call our march The Pilgrimage of Grace!



40,000 demonstrators followed Aske to York.



I am the Duke of Norfolk, I have been sent by King Henry VIII to listen to your demands.



If you could wait I will talk to the King and help some religious houses to open again.



The Duke of Norfolk tricked us!

He tricked us!

Run!



When the protestors realised they had been tricked, it was too late...

The King arrested Robert Aske for treason. There was never another uprising. The fate of the Catholic religious houses had been sealed.









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