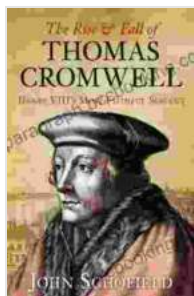


Henry VIII's Most Faithful Servant: The Extraordinary Life of Sir William Paget



The Rise and Fall of Thomas Cromwell: Henry VIII's Most Faithful Servant by John Schofield

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Sir William Paget was one of the most powerful and influential men in England during the Tudor period. He served as Henry VIII's principal secretary for over twenty years, and was a key figure in the English Reformation. Paget was also a close friend and advisor to the king, and his loyalty and service were unwavering throughout Henry's reign.

Paget was born in 1496 to a wealthy family in Staffordshire. He was educated at Oxford University, where he studied law. After graduating, Paget entered the service of the Duke of Norfolk, one of the most powerful men in the kingdom. Paget quickly rose through the ranks, and in 1533 he was appointed Henry VIII's principal secretary.

As principal secretary, Paget was responsible for managing the king's correspondence and overseeing the day-to-day administration of the

government. He was also a member of the Privy Council, and he played a key role in the drafting of legislation and the implementation of royal policy.

Paget was a skilled diplomat and negotiator. He was sent on several important missions to foreign courts, where he helped to secure alliances and resolve disputes. Paget was also a strong supporter of the English Reformation, and he played a key role in the establishment of the Church of England.

Paget's loyalty to Henry VIII was unwavering. He remained at the king's side throughout his reign, even during the most difficult times. When Henry died in 1547, Paget was one of the executors of his will.

After Henry's death, Paget continued to serve the Tudor dynasty. He was a member of the regency council for Edward VI, and he later served as chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster under Mary I. Paget was a skilled and experienced administrator, and he played a key role in the smooth running of the government during these turbulent times.

Paget died in 1563 at the age of 67. He was one of the most powerful and influential men in England during the Tudor period, and his loyalty and service to the crown were unwavering. Paget's life is a fascinating story of ambition, power, and intrigue, and it sheds light on one of the most important periods in English history.

Legacy

Sir William Paget is remembered as one of the most important and influential figures in Tudor history. He was a skilled diplomat, a wise counselor, and a loyal servant to the crown. Paget's legacy is one of

service and dedication, and his life is a testament to the power of ambition and loyalty.

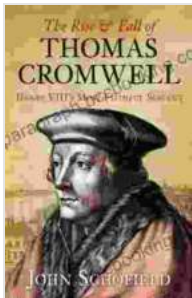
Paget's life has been the subject of several books and articles. The most recent biography is *Henry VIII's Most Faithful Servant: The Extraordinary Life of Sir William Paget* by David Starkey.

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Paget's House, the former home of Sir William Paget



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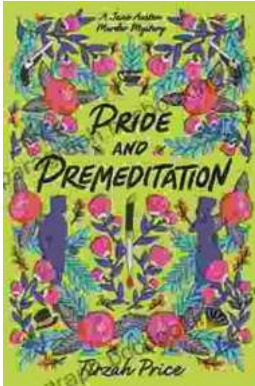
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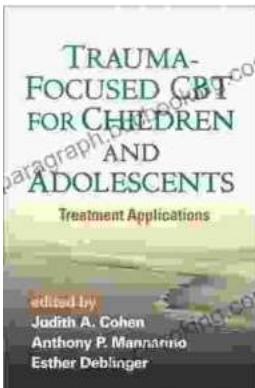
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