Name of the land wch is the verie springe and well spad of all Justice late remaynynge wthin ymbles (as M. Crafton noteth) all manner of authoritie and iurisdiction wth yet yate not deliuered over to others yis subalterne Justices

Example: 2: Ric: 3:

And therefore Kinge Richard the third the xvi yare of his raigne sate in person wth his Counsell in the Starr: and there geave the Counsell in the Starr: and there geave the cause of a Quaniffe Marchant that sued upon the same statute before mentioned for his goods robbed at sea. And the reason Justice 1: H: 7: ca: 3: reporteth that Kinge E: 4: used the Starrchamber for conference wth his Nobilitie about the execution of suche statutes, for the better observynge of wth yes there tooke the temporall oathes of them all. So that as it seemeth this place was the Counsell chamber of the Kynge wherin yes and his Court remaynyd at Westm wherefore thynge litle bee said and registred in bookes of lawe because lawiers were not then used in it, yet I doubt not but the Letters of the Kinges gave plentifull mention of the acts in the same.

Why called Starrchamber

Now weither the place of Starrchamber bee so called in respect it is stained, that is full of lights and windowes, or for that the roofe there of was at the first garnished wth smaltes of gylded starrs, or by derivation from the old English word Steoran wch signifieth to steere or rule as doth the Pilot in a Ship, or weather it were so termed of the word Stellio wch betokeneth that starrie and subtile beast of wrem the fault of traffic is punished by the Civilians called Stellionatus wch

also is punished in this Court by an extraordinarie paine even as it is wth them the matter is not of suche importance that it requireth any longe discourse or earnest disputation, yea the present labour shalbee better bestowed in skipping over the name wee entre into the Court itself, and unfold the right use and end thereof, wch shortlie is this. To apply an honeste Eine and lawfull remedie for suche enormities and crosses as either bee so exorbitant in themselves that they are not sufficiently reuenged by the usuall streake of lawe or bee meete to bee geard upon the stayge, as it were that many maie take a lesson therebee, or els bee tumbled by reason of suche power parentage or wealthe in their owne Countries that the ordinarie course of lawe is endered and cannot there proceede to the due correction of them. Sum all wch passed right necessarie it is that the Princes emiles or those that bee nearest in the Starrchamber of authoritie under him doe there themselves by the Matie and ani of weese reasonall reasons bothe suche offendes maie bee abashed and beaten downe and suche offenses made exemplarie and forewarninge to others.

But nowe because I doe not finde that there was either ordinarie session in this Court or expresse declaration of the place that were apterlie to bee handled therein before the tyme of Kinge H: 7: I will begynne wth the statute therefore made in the third yare of his raigne, and first rehearse it and the offenses contayned therein and then afterwards touche some other extraloure weeres this Court doth usuallie take cold, under shadowing.

The order of the whole discourse

The beginning of the authoritie of the Court

The ordinarie authoritie of the Court of Starr: began by the statute made the third yare of H: 7: