

THE MODERN WOLSEY.

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KING HENRY (JOHN BULL).— * * * Read o'er this;

[Giving him papers. And then to breakfast, with

What appetite you have.

What should this mean?
What sudden anger's this? how have I reap'd it?

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I must read this paper;
I fear, the story of his anger.—'Tis so;
This paper has undone me:—'Tis th' account
Of all that world of wealth I have drawn together
To fee my friends in Rome. O negligence,
Fit for a fool to fall by! What cross devil

Made me put this main secret in the packet I sent the king?—Is there no way to cure this? No new device to beat this from his brains? I know 'twill stir him strongly; yet I know A way, if it take right, in spite of fortune Will bring me off again.—What's this?—"To the Pope?" The letter, as I live, with all the business I writ to his holiness. Nay then, farewell! I have touch'd the highest point of all my greatness; And from that full meridian of my glory, I haste now to my setting: I shall fall Like a bright exhalation in the evening, And no man see me more.

(See Leader.)

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