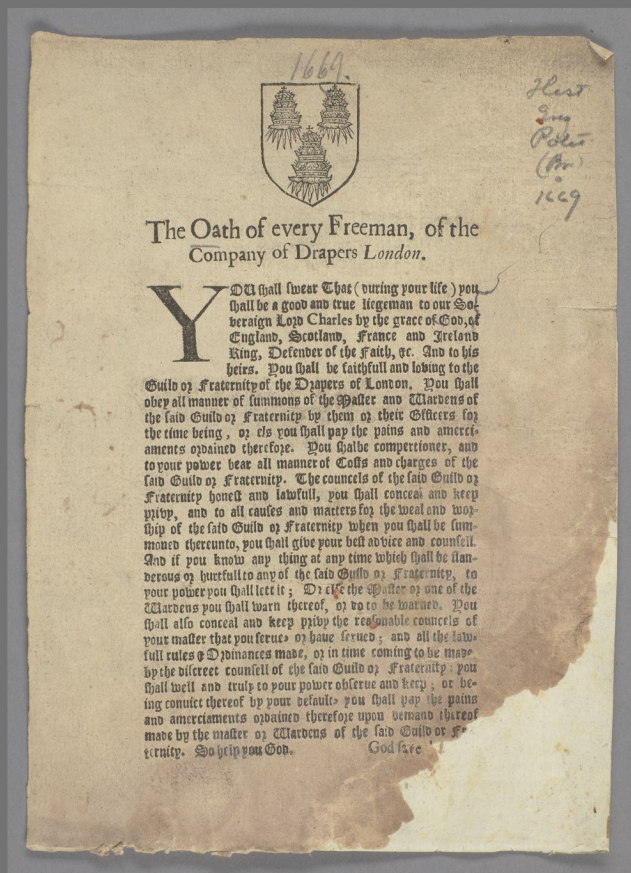


The oath of every freeman of the Company of drapers, London.



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The Oath of every Freeman, of the
Company of Drapers London.

YOU shall swear That (during your life) you shall be a good and true liegeman to our Sovereign Lord Charles by the grace of God, of England, Scotland, France and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, &c. And to his heirs. You shall be faithfull and loving to the Guild or Fraternity of the Drapers of London. You shall obey all manner of summons of the Master and Wardens of the said Guild or Fraternity by them or their Officers for the time being, or els you shall pay the pains and amerancements ordained therefoze. You shall be compercioner, and to your power bear all manner of Costs and charges of the said Guild or Fraternity. The counsels of the said Guild or Fraternity honest and lawfull, you shall conceal and keep privy, and to all causes and matters for the weal and worship of the said Guild or Fraternity when you shall be summoned thereunto, you shall give your best advice and counsell. And if you know any thing at any time which shall be slanderous or hurtfull to any of the said Guild or Fraternity, to your power you shall lett it; Or else the Master or one of the Wardens you shall warn thereof, or so to be warned. You shall also conceal and keep privy the reasonable counsels of your master that you serue or have serued; and all the lawfull rules & Ordiances made, or in time coming to be made by the discreet counsell of the said Guild or Fraternity: you shall well and truly to your power obserue and keep; or being convict thereof by your default you shall pay the pains and amerancements ordained therefoze upon demand thereof made by the master or Wardens of the said Guild or Fraternity. So help you God. God save

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The Oath of Fealty, taken by the
Barons of England, in the year
1215.

THE OATH OF FEALTY, TAKEN BY THE
BARONS OF ENGLAND, IN THE YEAR
1215. The original of this Oath is
preserved in the archives of the
British Museum. It is written in
Latin, and is a very important
document in the history of
England. It is a copy of the
original, and is written in
the same hand as the original.
It is a very beautiful specimen
of the handwriting of the
thirteenth century.

From the
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