

## E7 The King hee hawkes, and hunts

*Notes.* This poem's complaints are too generalized to allow us to argue a precise date of composition with any confidence. The attack on the Scots in the penultimate line might link the poem to the others from c.1612-1614 collected in this section, but we cannot yet demonstrate that link persuasively.

The King hee hawkes, and hunts;  
The lords they gather coyne;  
The Judges doe as they weere wont;  
The lawyers they purloyne.  
The clergie lyes a dyeing;  
The commons toll the Bell;  
The Scotts gett all by lyeing;  
And this is Englands knell.

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**Source.** Bodleian MS Malone 23, p. 121