

HENRY'S WALES

ACT OF UNION 1536



(Ashburner, no date , p. 128)

1536

Act of Union with Wales of 1536 combined the
administration of the two nations



‘DIFFERENT LAWS WERE PASSED KNOWN AS **ACT OF UNION**
AND WALES WAS

(Culture24,
no date)

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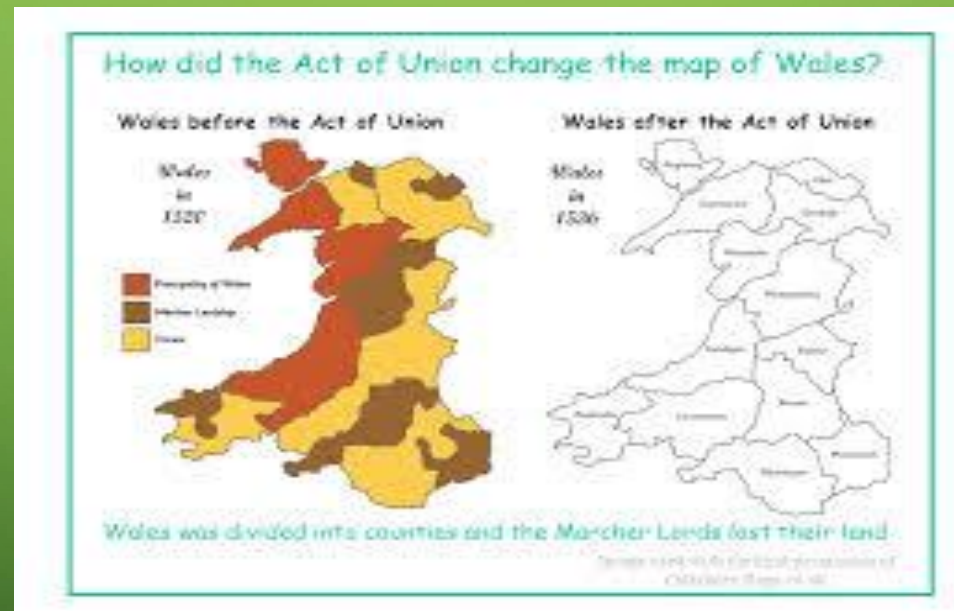
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to and with the realm of England’

(Davies, 2014).

WALES

BEFORE AND AFTER ACT OF UNION



(Wodewee,2014)

CAUSES OF ACT OF UNION

- Lawless of Wales
- Henry VIII worried about Spanish or French attack through Wales
 - Welsh inheriting law was different to English
 - The King was afraid of the power of the Marcher Lords
 - Henry wanted the Wales to be like England
 - The King did not want Wales to obey Pope
- Henry wanted to control the whole Wales (Roberts, 1972).

OUTCOMES

- Wales was joined with England
- Welsh people obtain the same rights as English people
 - Wales was divided into counties same as England
 - King controlled whole Wales
- Both countries have had the same law for inheriting land
 - Religious changes were introduced (Davies, 2014).

OUTCOMES

LANGUAGE

- The language used in the law courts and government was English
 - use of **Welsh** was largely banned
- The official status of **Welsh language** was removed by law
 - English as a legal language
- all public officials in Wales had to speak English (Olson, 2019).

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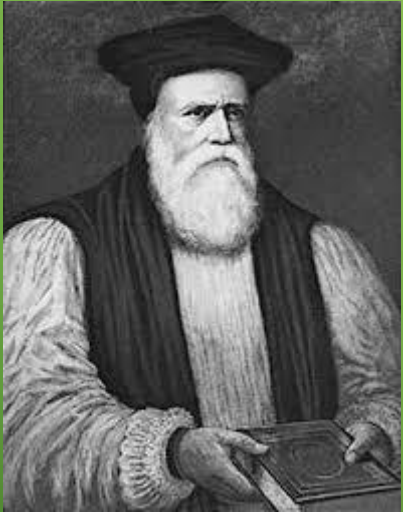
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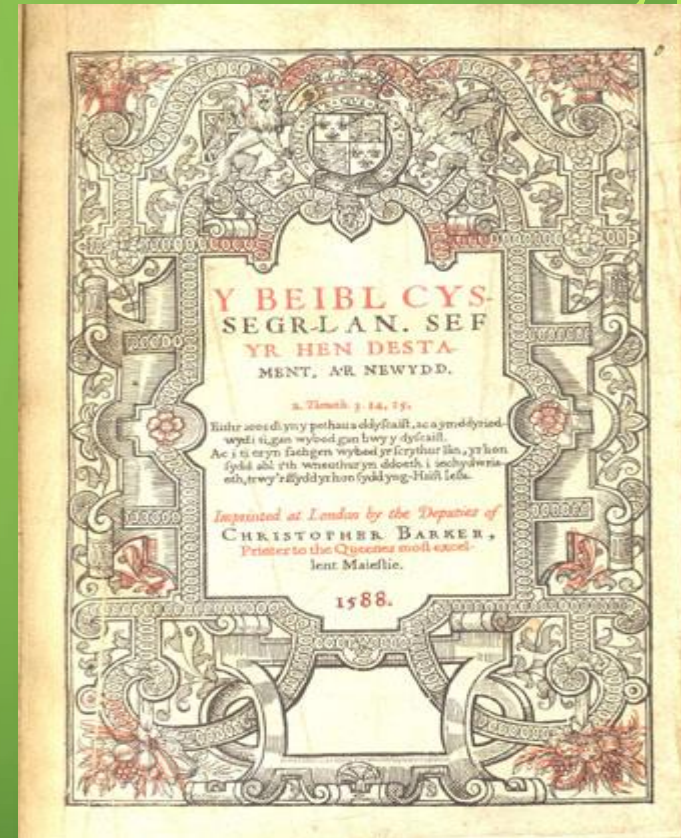
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‘The language arguably only survived because of William Morgan’s translation of the Bible into Welsh in 1588’
(Donovan, 2018).



(The National library of Wales, no date).



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‘BUT THE LANGUAGE IS NOT DEATH. THAT 450 YEARS OF UNION HAVE FAILED TO KILL IT IS DUE ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY TO THE INFLUENCE OF THE CHURCH’
(HISLOP, 1995, P. 22).

SIMILAR HISTORY OF POLAND



(Kafkadesk, no date)

- 'PARTITIONS OF POLAND, (1772, 1793, 1795), THREE TERRITORIAL DIVISIONS OF POLAND, PERPETRATED BY RUSSIA, PRUSSIA, AND AUSTRIA, BY WHICH POLAND'S SIZE WAS PROGRESSIVELY REDUCED UNTIL, AFTER THE FINAL PARTITION, THE STATE OF POLAND CEASED TO EXIST (LUKOWSKI, 1999).
- THEY RESULTED IN THE ELIMINATION OF SOVEREIGN POLAND AND LITHUANIA FOR 123 YEARS (DAVIES, 2001).
- LIMITING THE POLISH ETHNIC PRESENCE AND CULTURE (DAVIES, 2001).
- DIFFERENCES IN GOVERNANCE INSTITUTIONS OF THE THREE EMPIRES (WANDYCZ, 1974).

WALES AND POLAND



(Ashburner, no date, p. 128).



(Kafkadesk, no date)

- Historical events have had an impact on the country culture and language
 - Use of native language was restricted
- For some time other countries have had the full power over them
(Everslay, Shaw-Lefevre, 1915).

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