Stuart Britain: A Very Short Introduction

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Stuart Britain: A Very Short Introduction sets the Revolution in its political, religious, social, economic, intellectual, and cultural contexts. It gives an account of the effects of a period when population was growing faster than both food supply and the employment market. It looks at the failed attempts of successive governments to impose religious uniformity on their subjects and how Charles I blundered into a civil war which then took on its own momentum. The result was his trial and execution, the abolition of the monarchy, the House of Lords, the bishops, and the Prayer Book. After such an upheaval, order and obedience were restored only with difficulty.