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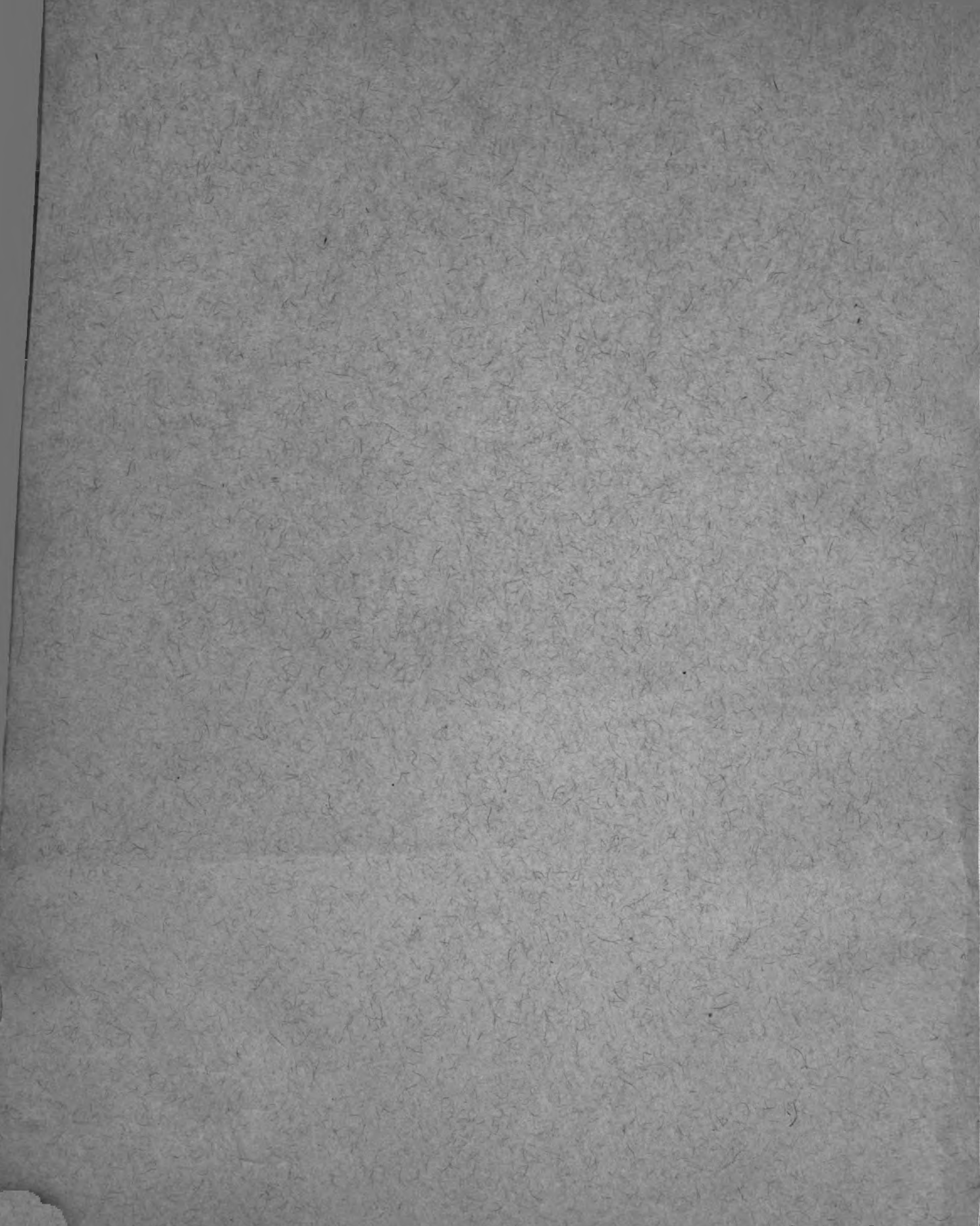


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North Wiltshire.

My intention is to write (God giving me life and leasure) the description of the North Division of Wiltshire, viz. the Hundred of Malmesbury, Chippenham, Damerham-north, and Calne. And first, I will begin with Malmesbury hundred, which is limited on the north with Gloucestershire; it is one of the greatest in this countie, and the richest soil. It contains these tythins following, viz.

Milboure.	Crudwell.
Abbey Malmesbury.	Brokenborowe.
Minety.	Somerford parva.
Norton.	Lea and Cleaverton.
Garsden.	Poole.
Gryttenham.	West-port.
Foxeley.	Staunton Quintin.
Newnton.	Easton Pierse.
Ashley.	Rodborne.
Draycot Cerne.	Charleton.
Brymham.	Brinkeworth.

Kemble.
Hullavington.
Corston.
Dautesey.
Okesey.
Borton Hill.

Sutton Benger.
Hankerton and Cloately.
Seagre. *
Somerford Magna.
Cole and West Park.
Malmesbury Borough.

* Startley is in the parish of Segre (as I take it.) Here the Court for Malmesbury hundred is kept, sc. on Hoock-Tuesday and on St. Martin's day.

Qu. why and how the Court came to be kept here.

A DESCRIPTION
OF
MALMSBURY HUNDRED.

Kemble and Ewen.

ETYMOLOGY. Kemble quasi Campebelle:-Beauchamp.

It stands in a delicate Campania, a mile from Cirencester.

Here is a handsome church porch, the moulding and pillars, like those of the Cathedral of Sarum (tempore H. 3.) but the moulding of the door going into the church, like the N. door of Kington St. Michael.

In the south aisle, in an old gothic nich, lies the effigies, in grey marble, of a Chevalier, nailed and cross-legged; at his feet is a wolf; they say his name was Allam, or Hallam, and in this parish is a place yet called by the name of Allam's Court; in his shield is this coat,—Two chevrons between eight crosslets, 431.

This parish, or the greater part of it, did anciently belong to the Abbey of Malmesbury. Vide leiger book, who was the donor, and Q. to whom the church was dedicated. Mem. A. D. 1408, Rob. Hallam, Cardinal and Chancellor of Oxford, was Bishop of Salisbury ; the 49th in number of the Diocese.

At Ewen I do not hear of any thing of antiquity.

Poole.

This parish belongeth to the Dutchie of Lancaster, to the Pooles now.

In the east window of the chancell is the coat of Clifford E. of Longville in Normandy, E. of Buckingham, viz. Gules, 3 Leoncells pass^t. guard^t. Arg^t.

In the north window of this church is the coate of Parre Marquiss of Northampton.

In the wall on that side is a freestone monument, very ill done, of Edward Poole, Esq. with this Inscription :—

Hic jacet corpus Edwardi Poli armigeri
 qui in hoc mortali ævo vixit ann: 48. et
 ex hac ærumnosa vita ad Dominum mi-
 gravit 28 die Aprilis. Anno Dñi 1577.
 Elizabethæ 20.

His shield on the monument is inverted, and the man's coat is where the female's should stand. Here Poole and Oakley is quartered with Poole of Sapperton. Az. a Lion ramp^t. A. within an orle of Fleur-de-lys O. Poole, quartering A. chev. between 3 Stags' heads, cabossed G. attired O. Oakley. and impaling per Chevron, A and S. a Chevron G. between 2 Eagles' heads erased in chief of the 2nd, and 1 in base of the 1st. Poole of Sapperton.

In the chancell on a freestone is this inscription :—

Subtus requiescit veneranda cinis Johannis Fettiplace,
Theologi tam studio quam exercitio insignis hujus
ecclesie Pastoris vigilantissimi pie demortui May 11,
Anno Salutis MDCLXII.

Infirmus terris, grandævus pulpita vectus
Regali caelos firmus adire via
Obiit cui vixit Deo.

In the church-yard here, on the south side, under an ordinary freestone tombe-stone, thus—

Here lieth the body of John Plott Esquier
Counsellor at Lawe, who died the 16 day of
..... in the year of our Lord 1645.

Mem. He was one of the Judges of the Welch circuit.

Sommerford Keynes

Is in ----- it is not in Malmsbury Hundred.

In the church is not to be found the coate of Keynes,* nor any thing else but a monument—on which are these Arms, Gules 2 Lions passant Gardant A. over all a bend Ermine, Straung quartering S. 2 bars A. in chief 3 plates. Hungerford.

PIE LECTOR.

Dormientem hic habes Robertum Straung Arm:
Filiū unigenitum et posthumum Roberti Straung
de Somerford-Keynes in agro Wilts Ar: et Janæ
uxoris, filiæ Anthonij Hungerford de Black Bourton
in agro Oxon Militis, Qui e quinīs soribus tres
habuit superstites, quæ concurrentibus marites fra-
gile hoc erexerunt monumentum in Fratris sui me-
moriā: qui e vivis decessit 23 An̄o Ætatis suæ
14 die Junii An̄o Dm̄. 1654.

“ Ον Φιλει Θεος αποθνησκει.” †

Non jacet hic Straung attamen jacet ille Robertus
Qui modo Straung fuerat, Straung fuit, ille manet.

Mem̄: made by H. Hugon, Esq. ‡

In the church-yard is a tombe-stone with Inscription of
----- Coldwell, son of Bishop Coldwell of Salisbury, who
was a tradesman in London, and broke and became a Steward in
this family.


* The arms of Keynes A. a bend between 2 cotizes wavy S.

† Query if it should not be Ον Φιλει Θεος, αποθνησκει νεος.

‡ This Memorandum alludes to the Sculptor.

Minetey.

It anciently belonged, saith the Parson, to the Abbey of Cirencester.* The Church and Parsonage House are in the Countie of Wilts: the Parish in the Countie of Gloucester.

Mēm: On the outside of this Church, near the Porch, is such a lineary crosse in freestone,  which was for the consecration, as at Sarum Cathedral Church.

In this Church have been very good painted glass windows, some few fragments whereof are yet left. In the West Window, is A. chev: S. between 3 badgers or pigges saliant, and part of another, viz. ----- impaling, Nicholas a Fess, between 3 martlets. In the limbe of the window is ----- pro bono statu Léonardi Poole ----- uxor fenest: ----- fecerunt nono die m-----.

A third coat is broken out.

In a S. Window of three columnes is part of the effigies of 3 Kings, (the 3 Kings, I suppose, of Cullen) finely donne.— In the top are these two escutcheons, 1st. Azure 3 Lions ramp^t. Argent, by the name of Chiche. 2nd. A Chevron engrailed between 3 Trefoils by the name of Clay.

* Q: de hoc, for part was given to the Abbey of Malmesbury, as by the Leiger-Book.

In the limb, *Orate p̄ aīb.* - - - - de - - - - necros. & aīce - - - -

In the third column, - - - - - ac rop fri - - - - - *Johis* - - - -
rothee - - - - - *Sobbeelee* - - - - - *dorothee pu* - - - - - ac fenest - - - -

Over this, in the window, is the effigies of a Knight armed cap-à-pee, with his mandilion, or surcoat, on which his coate of armes, S. 2 bars A. in chief three plates, a mullet S. for difference, with the effigies of his sonnes and daughters.

Over the 3^d. sonne's and 3^d. daughter's heads in a scroll, "That we may long. Laudate pueri." They are in purple gowns; 1st. daughter in a cap A. seme guttes de poix; 2^d. a kind of French hood, like Madam Nye, at Kyngton; 3^d. with, hair dishevelled, temples bound round with pearles; the sonnes have their hair to their shoulders.

This **B** in divers places in this windowe.

In this and the next windowe are the pictures of the benefactors and their children kneeling, in the habbits of those days, and *bidding* their beads.

The next windowe (3 collumns) one is semee horseshoes Or; the other semee annulets Or; a terret of a greyhound's collar; perhaps, he was ranger or keeper of the Forrest of Bradon, within whose limits this Church is; another semee escallops Or; besides an **M** pro beatâ Virgine, which is common.

In a North Windowe.

Orate p̄ aīab *Thome Hungerford militis et dome Cristian uxoris ejus*
qui - - - - -

This coat, is in several places of the window: Powlett S. 3 Swords in pile A. hilted O. impaling S. 2 bars A. in chief, 3 Plates a Mullet for difference. Hungerford.

Underneath is a little brass inscription of Nicholas Powlett, and Mary his wife, who was a Hungerford.

M: The tradition of the old people here, is; that here was an organ. Q. if here was not a chauntry.

The impropriation here is a corps, belonging to the Archdeacon of North-Wilts.

Mem.: Near the south door of the Chancell lieth buried - - - Pen, the father of Sir William Pen, Vice-Admiral. The father of William Penn, proprietor of Pensilvania. The grave-stone was broken at the last pewing of the Church. P. is yet visible.

In Braden Forrest in the parish of Brinkeworth is Penn's Lodge, yet so called. At Rodburn there were Penns which - - - Power, of Stanton Quintin, married.

Mem: The Penns had been Stewards, or relating to the Lord Abbot of Malmesbury.

Mem: Sir William Penn, the famous Rere Admiral, was born here; descended in a *direct* line from William Penne, of Mynty, who lieth buried in the chancell here, and had he lived would have

bought the estate. The Penns have been here a long time, but I think but yeomen.

This is not taken notice of by any body.

In Minty Common, near the road which leads to Ashton-Kaynes, is a boggie place, called the *Gogges*, where are springs, rising up out of blue clay. In hot weather, round the spring it looks like froste; but if you taste it, it much resembles salt-petre; but there may be a mixture of allum with it, for Mr. R. Boyle assures me that many times salts do mix. This frost-like salt I have seen severall times, and even on Sept. 14th. was an incrustation of salt four foot round the edge. With half a pound of this nitrous earth I made a lixivium, near about half a pint, which yielded upon evaporation a quarter of an ounce, wanting eleven grains: the residue of the lixivium (which was more than a pint) was evaporated almost all to crystalize in a cellar. The liquor turned very red, and the crystals on a hot iron *flew* like salt-petre, but some sediment like burnt allum remained. The water which runs from hence will turn a posset. In this parish mints are very common, from whence it hath its denomination. Here, also, grow (wild) cammomile and penny-royall, such as in gardens.

In the apex of the Oxe-eie windows here, are white roses, sc: the cognizance of the House of Yorke.

In this parish is a place called-Mienty Court, which was the mansion of the Lord of the Manor, of some great person:

the seat in the Church belonging to the house is under the window, in which are these two coates, viz. B. 3 Lionells ramp^t. Arg^t. and a Chev : eng^t. inter 3 trefoils, and therefore not unlikely the coates of some of the possessors of the Court aforesaid.

. Athelwulphus Rex dedit Mintih. Vide MSS. with Mr. Bayliff, of Morenton, near Chippenham.

Ashley.

Belonged to the Dutchy of Lancaster, and was by Queen Elizabeth given to - - - - - one of her Maids of Honor, to buy her pinnes. It is a pleasant place, and worth - - - - - per Annum.

Sir Theobald Gorges lies buried in the Church, but without any remembrance of him, nor is there any thing of antiquity there.

This is the highest part of the ridge of North Wilts ; from whence, (as all along this rising) is as pleasant a prospect as any in England, for an inland prospect:

Crudwell.

Did heretofore belong to the Abbey of Malmesbury, now to the Lord Lucas, who this year is building (1670) a very fine School-house, and endowes it with twenty pounds per Annum revenue. This place (as the rest on the borders of Gloucestershire) enjoy the pleasant prospect of part of the vale foreshortned, terminated with the blue hills towards Salisbury Plain.


The Church is good, and hath been adorned very well with good windows, which are most defaced.

In the North Window are these two coates. 1^o. Hungerford of Down Amney, with a Mullet for difference. 2^o. A bend Nebulee. Stapleton.

Hungerford's coate in this county is a kind of parietaria that flourishes on every wall ; so great possessions have they here, (alias, anciently had ;) whose tenants sett up their coates honoris ergo, and a great deal yet enjoy.

The Window aforesaid is entire (4 columnes) *extrema unctio confessio &c.*

In the Limbe, *Orate p aia Johannis dno fabric et Johanne uxoris ejus et filior suor.*

Here are the best and most substantial seats that I know any where, built by one Walton, whose name is expressed in a rebus in carved work thus WAL 

Quere, when the Revell here.

Here hath been a great Manor-house, whereof a great gate remains still. Here was one of the biggest barns in the county, not long since taken down. They inclose dayly. Near to the house is a fine walled spring in the street ; now called *Bery-well*, (Quere. The Farm-well.) Labourers say that it quenches the thirst better than the other waters ; to myself, it seemed to have an aliquantum aciditatis ; and, probably, is vitriolate.

In this parish are several Barrowes. Q. their names.

In this parish is a Hamlet called Chedslowe, near to which place is a Barrowe, or two.

Md. The *Lotwæ* in old English is the same with Tumulus, or Barrowe ; so this is as much as Cheddæ Tumulus.

Etymol: Perhaps Crudwell, from turning milk into eurd.

John Lord Lucas. A. Fess between 6 annulets, G. above the shield a baron's crown Or.

Bankerton* and Cloateley.

Did anciently belong to the Abbey of Malmesbury, given by -----

In the Church is not any thing of antiquity to be found: the Chancell has been down above these twenty years. The Parish is well enough contented without it, and more thrifty than to refit it, so they have walled up the place of the cancelli. Very good land and very dirty.

This is the Coate of Warneford. Per fess embattled A. and S. six cross patees counterchanged. 3. 3.

Vide at Mrs. Warneford's House, if the Armes of the Abbey are there to be found.

Mem. In the Common here is such another Bogge as in Mynty Common, and bigger than that—quere if so nitreous, for they may turn to very good account, for the Common price of Salt Petre, is £4. or £4. 10s. per cent. A gentleman or two in London make good profit of it. Mr. R. Boyle says it is to be accelerated with urine, (V. the account of making it in the Royal

* In the Leiger Book it is called Hanekinton.

Society.) Wood ashes are *2d.* or *3d.* per byll,* the staler the better. S^r. Jo. Hoskins tells me that ferne ashes are better for this use than wood ashes.

In King James's time, Mr. - - - - Chaloner (who was an ingenious gentleman, and had been a traveller, and had seen in Germany the Allum works) riding a hunting in Yorkshire, discovered by the herbage and nature of the ground, and the taste of its water, that Allum might be made there: whereupon he got a Patent of the King; and this worke was worth £2000. per annum or better; but in King Charles the 1st time, the profit was thought too much for him, and notwithstanding the sayd Patent, the King granted a Moiety (or more) to another Courtier, which was the reason that made Mr. Chaloner so zealous for the Parliament, and to be one of the King's Judges.

Mr. R. Boyle tells me that the Salt at Mynty is *sea salt* mixt *with Nitre*. He bids me try it again, and hopes well of it; that it may be profitable.

N.B. Dr. Daniel Cox tells me that he has a way to separate nitre from sea salt quickly; and desires to have some of it.

M. At *Wobourne* in Hankerton Parish is Fuller's earth. q:

* Quere, Bushel.

Okesey, alias *Worpy*.

Did belong to the Duke of Lancaster, now to St. Edward Poole, who hath this privilege, that nobody can be arrested in this Mannor without his warrant. Q: if all Bradon Forrest did belong to the Duke of Lancaster: a coppice there is called Lancaster Wood.

In the Church have been also good windows, but now extremely defaced. There remains some pieces of these two coats.—A. chev. between three boars saliant, S. Swynnow.—S. a bend fuselly, A. Baynton.

In the Chancell is an ancient nich, but no figure, nor any tradition whose monument it was. In a North window is only *Orate p̄ aīā* - - - - - *nīlīus benefactoris* - - - - -

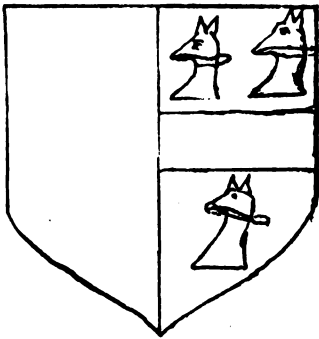
Near to this Village is Okesey Parke, the seate of St. Edward Poole; it is not above a mile about, but admirably well wooded: the best oaks in the county. There are two Witch-hazell trees of that vast bigness I never heard of the like, they are not much less than most of the best oakes in the Parke - - - - tunnes.

St. Nevill Pool, father to Sir Edward, lyes buried in this Church: no monument, only a little coate which is Pool impaling Pool of Sapperton.

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On the great bell here is this incription:

IESUS **A**ZAR**E**TH **R**E
IUD**E**OR**U**M **M**IC**S**ER**E** **R**OB**I**T**O**.

Between each word is a crowned head.

Henry (I think) the Fourth is in a Hood; which fashion was used by this King.

In this Parish, about half a mile northwards, is the remansi of a little Cittadell, with a Keep Hill, both moated round. In the ground near this place, Farmer Earle ploughed up a sword. This Cittadell is called by the name of Norwood Castle, a place of defence, no question, for the Duke of Lancaster. Insert here the Pedegree of Poole.

Mdm. In a close adjoyning to the church yard are yet to be seen, the ruins of an old seat of the Duke of Lancaster's, and a chappell; it is now called Court and Chappell Close.

Mdm. The Canall, that is to be cut for the uniting the Rivers of *Isis and Avon*, must run through this parke. The hint was first given by Mr. H. Brigges, Professor of Geometrie, Oxford, who observing the neerness of the two rivers in the mappe, took a journey from Oxford to see it, which was not long before he died. Then the Civill Warrs came, and after there was a calm of quiet-

ness, Mr. F. Mathew revived it, who made this Mapped, and wrote a treatise of it, about eight sheets; he took much pains about it, and left many good papers concerning it, which had all been unknown had it not been for me: Aug^t. 1682. Jo. Collins Mathew went down purposely to see it, and wrote well about it; and then I told him where Mr. Mathew's papers lay (a bundle that would fill an ordinary portmanteau) they were proffered to the R. Society for £5. together with the plate of the Mapped which cost £8.; but they having not so much public spiritedness in them, S^r. James Shaen of Whitehall sent the five pounds to Mr. Mathew's poore daughters, and had them. The Aldermen of London, that are Fellows of the R. Society, when S^r. James Shaen had gott them, then *they* repented that they let slip such an opportunity.

Newnton.

This Village affords a lovely prospect to the South, S. W. and S. E. On the S. it is terminated by the blue hills of Hackpen, and Cherhill, &c. of that range, and between which Malmesbury town, and the Ruins of the Abbey, with Charlton House (the seat of the Earl of Berkshire) and till these unhappy warres, with the woods of Charlton Parke of Hyams. At the upper end of the Village was S^r. Giles Escourt's* house, (K^t. and Baronet, L^d. of

* Arms of Estcourt, Ermine on chief indented G. 3 mullets O. Arms of Ulster in fess point.

this Mannor) flanked with a delicate grove of oaks, which he cut down and sold for £700. This village long time ago stood a little higher in the field, where they still plough up foundations of houses: the tradition is that it was burned, and then built here, whence it was called Newnton, quasi New-town. At the upper end of this town, at the old mannor house, where the old pigeon house is, is a fine fountain of freestone, from whence the water was brought in pipes of lead to Malmesbury Abbey: they oftentimes digged for the pipes, and now I think few are left; some of these pipes have been digged up within these twenty years.

The Custome here on Trinity Sunday.

King Athelstan having obtained a victory over the Danes by the assistance of the Inhabitants of this place, riding to recreate himself, found a woman baiting of her Cowe, upon the way called the Fosse, (which runs through this parish, and is a famous Roman way, that goes from Cornwall to Scotland.) This woman sate on a stool, with the Cow fastened by a rope to the legge of the stoole. The manner of it occasioned the King to aske why she did so. She answered the King, that they had no common belonging to the Town. The Queen being then in his company, by their consents it was granted that the Town should have so much ground in *Common* next adjoining to this way, as the woman would ride round upon a bare-ridged horse: she undertakes it, and for ascertaining the ground, the King appointed S. Walter, a Knight that wayted on him, to follow the woman, or goe with her; which being done, and made known to the Monks at Malmesbury, (they, to shew their liberality upon the extent of the King's Charity)

gave a piece of ground, parcell of their inheritance, and adjoining to the Church-yard, to build a House upon, for the Hayward to live in, to look after the beasts that fed upon this common. And for to perpetuate the memory of it, appointed the following Prayers to be said upon every Trinity Sunday in that house, with the Ceremonie ensuing. And because a Monk of that time, out of his devotion, gave a Bell to be rung here at this house before prayers began, his name was inserted in the Petitions for that gift.

The Ceremonie.

The Parishioners being come to the door of the Hayward's house, the door was struck thrice in honour of the Holy Trinity: then they entered, the Bell was rung; after which silence being imposed, they read their prayers aforsaid. Then was a Ghirland of Flowers made upon a hoop, brought forth by a mayd of the Town upon her neck; and a young man (a Batchelor) of another parish first saluted her three times* in honour of the Trinity, in respect of God the Father. Then she putts the ghirland upon his neck, and kisses him three times in honour of the Trinity, particularly God the Sonne; then he puts the ghirland on her neck again, and kisses her three times in respect of the Holy Trinity, and particularly the Holy Ghost. Then he takes the Ghirland from her neck, and by the Custome must give her a penny at least, which as fancy leads is now exceeded, as *2s. 6d.* or, &c.

* The Kiss of Peace.

[The method of giving this ghirland is from house to house annually, till it comes round.]

In this Evening, every Commoner send his supper up to this house; which is called the ~~Cale-house~~, (Ale-house), and having before layed in there, equally, a stock of Mault, which was brewed in the house, they sup together, and what was left was given to the poore. N. Of the *Ealahus*, see *Somner's Glossary* at the end of the English Historians, printed at London, 1652.

The Forme of Prayer.

“ Peace, good men, Peace, this is the house of Charitie and house of peace. Christ Jesus be with us this day and evermore. Amen.

“ You shall pray for the good prosperitie of our Sovereigne *Lord King H. the 8th, and the Royal Issue*, (of late dayes, King Charles the 2^d. Queen Katharine, Duke of York, and the rest of the Royal Progenie), with all the Nobilitie of this Land; that Almighty God would give them such grace, wisdome and discretion, that they may doe all things to the glory of God, the King's honour, and the good of the Kingdome.”

N.B. This form was made by Mr. Richard Escourt, in favour of the present Government.

“ You shall pray to God, that moved the hearte of King Athelstan, and Dame Mawd, his good Queen, to give this ground

to our forefathers, and to us, and for all them that shall come after us, in Fee for ever."

" You shall pray to God for the sowle of S^r. Walter, the good black Knight, that moved his heart to our forefathers, and us, this ground both to tread and trite, and to them that shall come after us in Fee for ever."

" You shall pray to God for the sowle of Abbot Loringe, that moved his heart to give this ground to build this house * upon, to our forefathers, and to us, and to them that shall come after us, in Fee for ever."

" You shall pray to God for the soule of Don Alured, the black Monke, that moved his heart to give the Bell † to this House."

" For the sowles of these Benefactors, whom the Lord hath moved their heartes to bestowe these benefitts upon us, Let us now and ever pray," Pater. noster. &c.

In the late Warres this house was burnt downe by the Soldiers, and the custome of supping is yet (1670) discontinued, together with brewing that quantity of drinke. The rest of the Ceremonies are yet continued on the *Toft*, and on the old door of the house,

* The Hayward's house, called the *Eele House*.

† This Bell is now at Mr. Richard Escourt's house. Vide what Inscrip: it hath.

which yet remains, which they then carry thither: and a small quantity of drinke, of six or eight gallons, is yet drank after the ghirland is given.

Mem: About 1660 one was killed striving to take away the ghirland.

This towne antiently belonged to the Abbey of Malmesbury, and was given to them by - - - V. Leiger Book.

The Church here was anciently a Chappell of Ease to Malmesbury, from whence it is distant about two miles.

There is the Inscription of the first rector there:

Hic jacet, &c.

Brokenborough.

Here was the Seate of King Athelstan, which the inhabitants still show: it is prettily seated on the promontory of a little hill, like Malmesbury (the River embraces it in the figure of an horse-shoe) or as the Roman forts many times are. The Toft is called *Godskill*. It was square, and one of the sides is sixty paces.

In the Church, before the warres, they say were very fine windows, now utterly defaced: an old man told me, that his Father, who dyed twenty-four years since, was 110 at his death, and remembred in the tyme of the old lawe, eighteen little bells that hung in the middle of the Church, which the pulling of one

wheel made them all ring, which was done at the Elevation of the Hoste.

Here is a very great Barne; but one was pulled downe since the warres much greater; here was an old farme house, moated, and two ponds.

Mem^d. This Countrey was anciently a delicate Campania, all ploughed fields as about Sherston: much has been enclosed since my tyme, and more and more will every day: so now less barnes serve the turn.

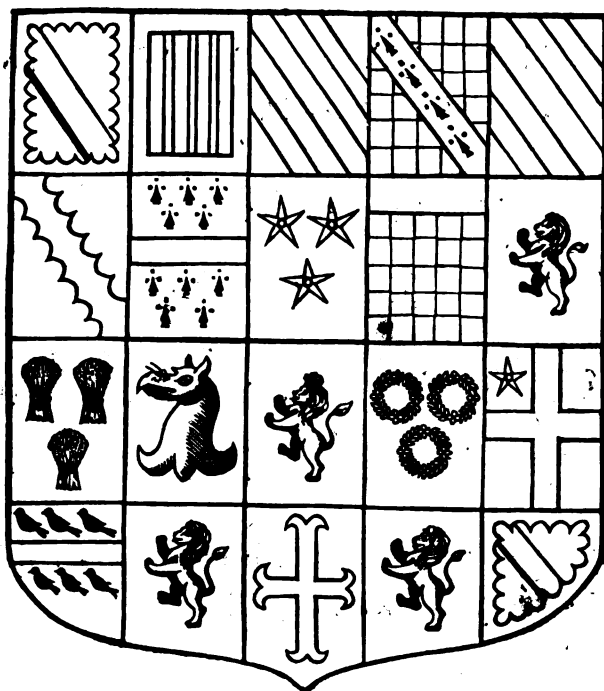
This Countrey is altogether upon a Stone-Brash, and very natural for Barley. When I was a boy, wheat was very scarce, then was baked twenty bushells of barley to one bushyll of wheat; now they have altered the course of husbandry (how wisely I cannot say, I something doubt) and spend 20 bushyll of wheat to one of barley.

Brokenborough is now parcell of the E. of Berks's state. Mem^d. Mrs. Dorothe Tyndale told me, that the house where my Lord lives was not the seat of King Athelstane; his Palace was much bigger, as by the ruins may appear, not farre off from my Lord's house.

Charlton.

In this Church is nothing to be found of concernment, (windows all new) but a great monument, without any Inscription, of

Sr. Henry Knevett, who married Isabell, one (I believe daughter and heir) of the daughters and coheirs of Sr. James Stampe of this place. Sr. Henry left a daughter and heir, which was married to ----- Earl of Suffolk, father to Thomas Earl of Berkshire. Vide. York (ye Blacksmiths) Heraldry of Sr. Henry Knevett's Coheirs, married to the Earl of Lincolne, and the Earl of Suffolk. These three daughters of the Earl of Suffolk were all married the same day; viz. to Robert Earl of Essex, to the Earl of Salisbury, and to ----- Carr Earl of Somerset. Q. iterum, for I think Carr married the Countess of Essex, repudiated from Eliz. Viscountess Purbec.



This Sir H. K. had some command at the Invasion in 1588, and shortly after his return home dyed of a Feaver he gott there.

This seate was the - - - - - seate of the Lord Abbot of Malmesbury. V. at Mr. Water's house by the Church, which was the Graung, if the *Armes of Malmesbury* Abbey is to be found there. It was at Dr. Lambert's in Sarum, as also Winton Glaston, &c. now lost, taken downe by Mr. Eires the minister.

S. H. Knevet had two daughters, coheirs, one was married to the Earle of Suffolke; the other (I think) to the E. of Lincoln. Vide Herald's Office.

Here are old Inscriptions on the Bells at the Dedication of them ✠ *Saucte Georgie ora p nobis.*

The rest I could not remember.

Whitechurch juxta Malmesbury.

Here hath been a Church; it is now converted into a dwelling house; but the steeple remaynes still.

Milbourne.

Garsden.

Here is nothing of Antiquity left in the Church. On one of the Bells thus ✠ Santa anna ora pro nobis. On another, ✠ RICHARDUS MODY ARMIGER SECUNDUS MEC CONDITOR † 1586.

Mem: That one Moody was footeman to King Henry the eighth, who, falling from his horse as he was hawking (I think on Harneslow-heath) fell with his head in the mudde, with which, being fatt and heavy, he had been suffocated to death, had he not been timely relieved by his footman Moody;* for which service, after the dissolution of the Abbies, he gave him the Manour of Garsden.

The Mannour House (which was, I think, a Graunge to the Abbey of Malmesbury) was for the greatest part re-edified by St.

* Mody or Moody of Westport and Garsdenport, Vert a fess ingrailed between 3 harpies' heads A. crined O. their wings close. The Crest, a Wolfe's head erased proper.

Lawrance Washington about the beginning of the Civil-Warres. In the Closet in the Parlour only remains this Scutcheon, Azure, two cheveronells between three greyhounds' heads erased, A. collared O. a border O. verdoy of holly-leaves proper; with the Crest, which is an arme dexter in armour, holding a Lance.

Corston.

In the Church nothing to be found; the modern zeal has been a reforming here as hereabout. Surely this tract of land Glouce and Somerset, encline people to zeal. Heretofore nothing but religious houses, now nothing but Quakers and Fanaticks. A soure woodbryer country, and inclines people to contemplation, so that, and the Bible, and ease (for it is now all up in dairy graysing and cloathing) setts their heads with a running and reforming.

One Mr. Bayley gave £3. towards the repairing of the Chancell (where he lies buried) and the Porch, and to build the wall of the Ch: yard, which is now down.

Bourton Hill.

West-port jurta Malmesbury.

Before the late Warres here was a pretty Church, where were very good windows, and a fair steeple, higher than the other, which much adorned the town of Malmesbury: in it were five tuneable bells, which S^r. W^m. Waller melted into Ordnance, or rather sold; and the church was pulled down, that the enemy might not shelter themselves against the garrison of Malmesbury.

The Church was dedicated to S^t. Mary. Here were three aisles, which took up the whole area; and reported to be more ancient than the Abbey.

At Westport, in the rode that goes towards Sherstone, is an ancient building, which looks like an hermitage. q. de hoc.

This place is for nothing so famous as for the birth of my honoured and learned friend and country-man, Mr. *Thomas Hobbes*, &c.

Malmesbury Abbey.

In the Church is a handsome Gothic Altar Monument of King Athelstan, which seems to be of workmanship since the Conquest. His Gloves, I remember, are like a Falconer's glove,

with tassells. S^r. W. Waller's soldiers broke the head of it to pieces. He deserved a shrine of gold for bringing in the Statute of Trial by twelve men. V. Sir E^d. Coke's Elogie of him.

V. Mill's Heraldry, p. 14, A. Dom: 924; his coat thus—
Per cross saltire, Azure & a cross moline crowned, Or, standing on a Globe A.

Edmund, who lies buried at Glastonbury, succeeded Athelstan, and port. Az. 3 crowns Or, which were anciently very common in the windows of the West of England, and is the garniture of the borders of the windows there. The Abbey Church was built per crucem, in the middle whereof was the Tower, on which, no doubt, (as every where else almost in this Champagne Country) was a steeple. Here was a great Bell, called St. Adelm's Bell, which was rung when it did thunder and lighten, to send the Tempest from the Town into the Country.

N. St. Adelm's Bell was a *Telesman*, no question, and I believe the same of the great Bell at St. Germain's Abbey at Paris, which they ring when it thunders and lightens.

Concerning Telesmens, vide Gaffarel, Heydon's Temple of Wisdome, &c. The Tradition here is, that St. Adelm's father was a weaver. Mem. The story of his mother's conception, and of the Barne full of birds. q.

When the great rejoicing was on the King's birth-day, 1660,

for the return of King Charles the 2^d. viz. 29th May, here were so many, and so great vollies of shot, by the inhabitants of the Hundreds of these parts, that the noise so shook the pillars of the Tower, that one pillar and the 2^d. part above fell down that night.

Where the Choir was, now grass grows, where antiently were buried Kings and great men. Where the House now stands, was St. Michael's Chapell. On the Porch to this House, built by Stampe, are two scutcheons in stone. The wealthy clothier Stamp, his father, was the Parish Clerk of North Nibley. He bought a vast deal of the Abbey Land hereabouts. When King Henry the 8th hunted in Bradon Forrest, he gave him a noble Entertainment, which the King admiring at it, he told his Majestie his servants should only want their suppers for it. His eldest sonne was S^r. James Stampe, Sheriff - - - - - who left two daughters and heirs, viz. Isabella, married to Sir Hen. Knevet, who had Charlton, &c. who left one daughter, married to - - - - - E. of Suffolk, who gave these lands to his 2^d sonne, Thomas E. of Berks. The other daughter - - - - - was married to - - - - -

On the N. West side of the Abbey Church, stand the ruins of the Kitchin, on four freestone pillars.

Mem^d. Thos. Hobbes thinks here was another writer, besides Will^m. Malmesb: (q. de hoc & v. Balyum, &c.)

Mem: St. Adelme dyed at Sherburne in Dorset, where he was Bishop; and lay inshrined at Malmesbury where he was Abbot

thirty years. Fuller's Worthies. Osmundus Neustrius scripsit vitam Adelmi Episcopi.

This coate, G. two lions pass. gard. O. on a chief, A. a Mitre, Or. between 2 crosiers, Az., I find in Dan: King's draught of the Monasteries in the frontispiece, for the Armes of Malmesbury Abbey; by what authority I know not. I cannot yet find it any where.

Malmesbury as before, impaling A. on a bend cotised S. 3 annulets O. a border engrail G. This is the coate of - - - - - Selwyn, the last Lord Abbot of Malmesbury; he was uncle to old S^r. Thomas Selwyn of Sussex.

Mem: About Gloucester are yet Gentlemen of the name of Selwyn.

**This from Mienty. Sir Brown.*

The coate of Malmesbury Abbey I cannot find.

The seale affixed to a deed in Henry 8. Reigne, which they call a Mortuary between Robert (Selin or Selwin) Abbot, and the Convent of the said Abbey, the Vicar of Westporte, and parishioners of Brokenborough, where it was agreed they should have licence to bury at Brokenborough, on condition a penny for every person interred were payed for ever to the *Vicar of Westport*, at the feast

* Mem: This account is on a loose paper, but not in Aubrey's hand.

of St. Adelmes. It is, 2 Saints, viz. B. V. and St. Adelme, to whom the Abbey was joyntly dedicated, each standing on a shield-like pedestall, the first I cannot recover; the sinister is a Griffin surgent
 - - - - - the seal of the vicar of West-port is a Saint, likewise.

“ The Blessed Memorialls of M^{rs}. Anne Warneford, who was daughter and heir of Thos. Godwyn, Esq^r. first married to Henry Crane of Suffolke, Esq^r. by whom she had Issue only a daughter, married to Sir John Hervey, K^t. By her 2^d husband, John Stumpe of Malmesbury, in the County of Wilts, Esq^r. heir male of Sir James Stumpe, K^t. whose Heires generall were married to severall honourable families here delineated by their armes and Coronets, she had issue three daughters and heires, that is to say, Elizabeth married to the Honb^{le}. K^t. Sir John Powlet of Hyde near Winton; Katharine, married to Foulk Buttery of the County of Northampton, Esq^r.; Anne, married to William Plummer of Bedfordshire, Esq^r. She departed this mortall life upon the 12th of April, 1631.

To whose remembrance, the Ladie Powlet, her loving and most beloved daughter, hath consecrated this Monument.”

These arms are round the monument:—

- 1st Per fess crenelle, A. & S. 6 cross patees counterchanged, Warneford impaling S. a chev. Ermine bt. 3 leap. heads cabossed O. Godwyn.
- 2nd A chev. bt.* 3 leap. heads cab. G. Hervey impaling A. fess bt. 3 cross crosslets fitchè G. by the name of Crane.

* Note. bt. is a contraction used in this volume amongst heraldical terms for “between.” Editor.

- 3rd S. 3 swords in pile, A. hilted O. Powlett impaling Per chev. engrail A. & S. 3 falcon's heads eras. counter-changed Stumpe.
- 4th S. li. r. O. a chief O—Buttery impaling Stumpe as before.
- 5th S. chev. bt. 3 eagle heads eras. O.—Plumer impaling Stumpe.
- 6th Stumpe impaling Godwyn.
- 7th Crane impaling Godwyn.
- 8th A. a bend, and border engr., S.—impaling Stumpe.
- 9th Howard, with a crescent for difference, impaling A. bend, and border engr., S.—over the shield an Earl's Coronet.
- 10th Clinton impaling A. bend, and border engr., S.—over the coat an Earl's Coronet.
- 11th Manners impaling A. bend, and border engr., S.—an Earl's Coronet.

Vide England described, by Mr. Edw. Leigh, (Wilts); thus — *Malmesbury*, a very neat Town, and hath a great name for Cloaths; see *Monasticon Anglicanum*, p. 49, of the Monastery here.

Maidulphi Urbs, that is, Maidulph's City, and afterwards (short) Malmesbury. *Adelme*, the chief of Maidulph's Disciples, being elected his Successor, built there a very fair Monastery, and was himself the first Abbot thereof. He was canonized a Saint, and on his Festival day, there was here kept a great Faire, at which, usually, there is a *band of Armed* Men* appointed to keep

* Q. I never heard of any such thing in my time.

the peace among so many resorting thither. He was the first of the English Nation who wrote in Latin, and that taught the Englishmen the way how to make a Latine verse.

Primus ego in Patriam mecum, modo vita supersit,
Aonio rediens deducam verticē Musas.

This Monastery, among other famous Clerks, and great Scholars, brought forth *William*, surnamed thereof, *Malmes-buriensis*, unto whom, for his learned industrie, the History of England, both Civil and Ecclesiasticall, are deeply indebted.

The Castle of Malmesbury was built by Roger, Bishop of Salisbury, he also built the Castle of the Devizes, and Shirborne, in Dorset, he lived temp: R - - - - -

The right R. F. Seth Ward, Lord Bishop of Sarum, upon search of the evidences of that See (which he has examined and digested from the beginning to this present time, and which have not been inspected above a hundred years) finds that the Bishops of Sarum had *never their See at Malmsbury, as some say.*

Accidents to rectifie the Horoscope of Malmsbury by - - - - -
☞ quære the several *Takings* of this Towne by both parties, and the exact time when. Also the yeares of our Lord, *and time of the yeare* when *Plagues* have been here. Q. when the Abbey was pulled down: also, vide the *Act of Parliament* for the generall Dissolution of the Abbeyes. When the Tower fell after the 29th May, 1660, occasioned by the extreem shooting for the joy of His

Majestie's return. What year and month did Sir William Waller take this Towne, and pulled downe Westport, and sold the Bells?

Mem^d. St. Aldam's (q. Adelm) mead (Richard Webb, a glover, lives by it) westward of the King's Wall. N. From Mr. Sayer of Haswell, Berks. There was a Chapell at Burnevall; he says they talke of a Lady Abbess there, from an old woman of the town, see q. Mr. Weekes de hoc. Resp. that here are the ruins of a small Religious House for Women; but believes no Lady Abbess.

Mr. Weeks remembers very curious painted glass windows in the Abbey Church before the late Warres.

Mem^d. The church, where the steeple is in the church yard, was dedicated to St. Paul. ↪ Remaining yet twenty-four stalls, Oct. 1st, 1673.

Get Sir George Marshall's Lady's Inscription, the scutcheons are all defaced. This Sir George Marshall was a Scots-man, and one of the Escures to King James, who granted him a Lease, or the Fee of Coleparke. He was a Justice of Peace, and dyed about 1637. Mem^d. Willielmus Malmesburiensis, the great Historian, who wrote the Historie of his Times, and dedicated it to a natural son of William the Conqueror. He wrote also the Historie of the Abbey of Glastonbury, which is in the Library of - - - - - College in Cambridge in manuscript. He says himself that he was the next that wrote after Venerable Bede, - - - - - hundred yeares between them.

Johannus Scotus Erigena did teach Greek here, and was killed here by his Schollars, who stabbed him with pen-knives. J. Leland sayes, his Statue was in the Choire; he lived tempore

Malmsburie Borough.



The Prospect of Malmesburie on the Hill, E. above Cow-bridge, with the idea of the Abbey entire; Westport Steeple, (which was better than the other) and part of the Castle, which did stand on the neck of Land beyond the Abbey Kitchen.
 1. ----- 2. Westport Steeple. 3. the Castle. 4. Abbey.
 5. Tetbury afar off. 6. Whitchurch.

Maidulph's burgh, methinks is too much for it, an Etymologie

for this place. I believe it rather comes from Malme, which signifies mudd or clay, as well agrees here; so Malmes-hull in Herefordshire, a clayey place.

Arnold of this Town, hath old deeds of the Abbots, and the Seal of the Convent of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Mem: Make a Map of the Towne, and take the names of the two rivers that embrace it, viz. Avon and - - - - -

The Armes of the Borough are a Tower triple towered between two trees; round it "**SCYLLUM BOROVI DE MALMESBURGE.**"

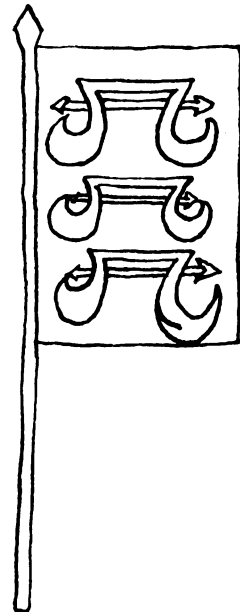
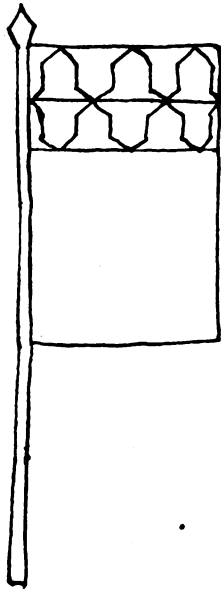
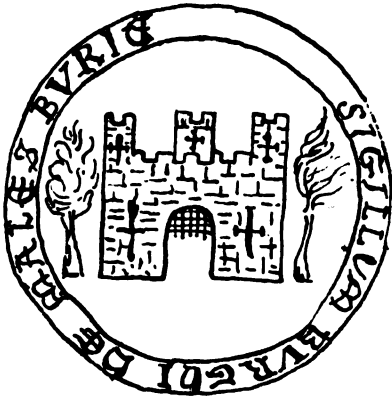
The Parish Church of Malmesbury (where the steeple is long since decayed) was dedicated to St. Paul.

King Athelstan was a great Benefactor to that Borough. Transcribe the original Charter, which is not above six lines, and very legible. For the good service this towne did him against the Danes, he gave them a vast and rich Common, called *King's heath*, and other privileges to the Burgesses, and also certain meadows* near the town.

St. Adelm's Mead, wherein is a Pool, with six or seven willows about it.

* Q. Their names and the Privileges.

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By the Towne is a Hill, called Danys-hill, w^hic^h is the name of the ground on which King Athelstan vanquished the Danes.

At the King's arms Inn in this Town is an old scutcheon (q. and v. if not the coate of Chandois.) It is doubtfull whether pile or pale empalled with S. fess O. charged with 3 crosses or hurts B. between six arrows Arg^t.

The Castle stood on the neck of Land between the Abbey and Westport, and by reason of the narrowness there, it could be but a kind of great Gate or Port, and from hence 'tis likely Westport takes its name. This was the seate or Palace anciently of the Bishop of Salisbury.

Hughes of Wooten Bassett saies, that the steeple of Malmesbury Abbey was as high almost as Paules, and that when the steeple fell, the ball of it fell as far as the Griffin. A great Tower was at the end of the Church.

Sir George Marshall of Coleparke had no more humanity than to bury his body under King Athelstan's Monument; temp: Charles 1st.

On the Porch of the new dwelling house at the Abbey, are two Scutcheons in stone. Stampe port. party per chevron eng^r. A. and S. three griffin's heads eraz. counterchanged, langued g.; the other is three lozenges in bend, between two demi lionells.

Jo. Leland, says in his Itinerary, that when he was here, the Monks' dorturies, &c. were filled with weavers' Loomes, and that there were made every year 3000 Clothes.

“ King Alfred was besides excellent at Hunting, *and the new Art of Hawking*, but more in his Devotion, N. The Turks first manned hawks: at first they rode into field with their dogges, and sprang the Partridges, and the wild hawkes would souce them down; it being excellent sport, it came into somebody's head to make a Hawke tame.

Anno Dom. 900 tempore R. Alfredi, Hawking was first used. Coteswold is a delicate Country for Hawking; especially before they began to enclose about Malmsbury, Newnton, &c. as I hint in my preface. Hawking is a most princely sport, and no doubt the Novelty, together with the delight and convenience of this country, made King Athelstan much use it; and in his monument here, you may see, that on his left hand he hath a *Falconer's Glove*, with a knobb (or tassell) to put under his girdle, as they use still.

“ The Welsh did King Athelstan homage at the City of Hereford, and covenanted yearly payment of £20. gold, of silver 300, oxen 25,000, besides hunting dogs and hawks. He dyed at Gloucester, A. D. 941, and was buried with many trophies at Malmesbury; where he caused to be layd his two Cosingermans, Elwyn and Ethelstan, both slain in the battle against Anlof. He was thirty years old when he came to the crown, mature in

wisdome from his childhood, comely of person and behaviour. W. Mamesb: sayeth, he was a bounteous, just and affable King. His Lawes are extant among the Laws of other Saxon Kings to this day." V. Jo. Milton's Hist. Saxon Ann: W. Malm: Ingulf.

Rodborne.

Coleparke.

The Lea and Cleaverton.

The Glass all new at the Lea; but I remember about 1648, at R. Pitman's wedding, that the E. window of the Chancell, containing five lights, had in every one of them one scutcheon, if not two. I am heartily sorry I did not take a note of them; some of the windows are now done up with boards. There is a good old Gothic seate of the Hungerfords: and at one of the windows and porch, in stone, are monke's heads.

Brinkeworth.

This Mannor belonged to Malmesbury Abbey, given by - - -
- - - - - now it belongs to the Earl of Berks.

The Church was dedicated to St. Michael. In the Church in
a north windowe - - - - - Cryptenham \bar{p} wyfys - - - - - et Johanne
feld - - - - -

In the upper end of that aisle on the wall is thus, viz. " The
right Hon^{ble}. Sir Henry Danvers Knight, Lord Danvers Baron of
Dautesey, and Lord Lieutenant of the King's Majestie's Province
of Mounster in Ireland, Anno Domini 1612."

The Arms are

1. Danvers G. chev. bt. three estoiles O. quartering,
2. A. on bend, G. three martlets O.
3. Barry of 4 O. and G. on chief G. two stags' heads, cabossed O.
4. Paly A. and Az. on bend, G. three cinqf. O. Stradling.
5. Checky O. and G. a fess ermine.
6. Per pale O. and A. three bars nebulee G.
7. A. a chief indented S.
8. S. six martlets O. 3. 2. 1.
9. Az. a bend O.
10. Checky O. and G. a chief G. gutte d'or.
11. A. fretty G.

12. G. a Saltire A. in fess point, a pellet.
13. . . . on a canton . . . a ship . . .
14. . . . a fess bt. six quarterfoils, 3. 3.
15. Checky A. and Az. a chev. Ermine.
16. Berkley
17. G. a lion statant gardant, A.
18. Per cross G. and O. in 1st qu^r. a mullet A.
19. G. a bend A. bt. six cr. crosslets fitch O.
20. Danvers.

Supporters. Dexter, a Wyvern O.—Sinister, a Mountain Cat, proper.

Crest, a Wyverne Or.

Between the Church and Chancell is a hole on the right hand, as in most of the churches of these parts, which I suppose was for Confession.

Gryttenham.

In the Parish of Brinkworth, anciently belonged to the Abbey of Malmesbury. King H. 8. was dangerously ill of a Fistula in Ano, - - - - which - - - - - Ayliff, a famous Chirurgicalian at London, cured: for which he had this great Estate given, and I thinke all the rest of his Estate hereabout. This - - - - - Ayliff obtayned of the King the Charter to make the Chirurgicalians a Company, and in Surgeon's-hall is a noble piece of K. H. 8.

sitting in his chair, and the Warden (then Ayliff, the first Warden) and Company in their gowns and formalities, doeing their obeisance to his Majesty, and receiving the Charter from his Majestie's Hands. This is a picture of the famous painter, Hans Holbein, the painter to H. the 8., and hath escaped the great conflagration.

A. on chev. eng. S. bt. three estoiles G. three stags' heads cabossed A.

This Coate was graunted to Sir John Ayliff of this place, Sheriff of London, per Tho. Hawley, Clar: 8. Ed: 6.

Brynmam.

Forley.

Norton.

Hullavington.

Belonged anciently to the Frier's-alien to St. Victors in France, (q. if St. Victor in Normandy or Paris). Their Lands were dissolved by Act of Parliament - - - - - King Henry the Sixth gave these Lands of Hullavington, among others that belonged to these Friers, (as the Parsonage and Provost's manor at Chalke) to his two Colleges that he erected; viz. King's College in Cambridge, and Eaton Colledge. This Hullavington belongeth to Eaton College. In the Church is nothing of Antiquity. There is a plaine Tomb of Symon James, who married - - - - - the daughter and heir of Chatterton.

North Isle.

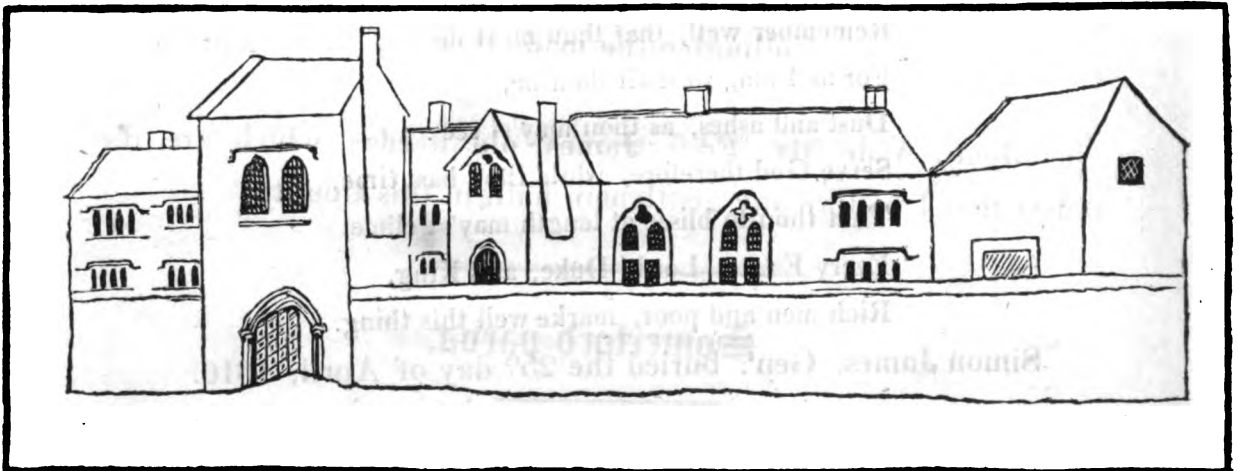
O man repent, this world defie,
 Remember well, that thou must die:
 For as I am, so shalt thou be,
 Dust and ashes, as thou may'st see:
 Serve God therefore, while thou hast time,
 That thou to blisse at length may'st clime.
 Every Estate, Lord, Duke, and King,
 Rich men and poor, marke well this thing.

Simon James, Gen^t. buried the 25th day of April, 1616.

A. li. r. G. Ivie, quartering a fess raguly vert bt. three pellets, and impaling A. on cross engr. G. five fl. de lys, O. Crest a demi-lion ramp. G.

Oliver Jvye, son and heir of George Jvye of Hullington, in the Countie of Wilts, Esq'. who married Anne Finet in the yeare of our Lorde 1649, one of the Daughters of Sir John Finet, K'. Master of the Ceremonies to King Charles the First, and of the Lady Finet his wife, sister to the Earle of Cleveland. The sayd Oliver Jvie deceased in November, 1650, leaving his sayd wife with child, who was, on the 14th of April, 1651, delivered of a daughter, which was named Jane, which sayd Jane Jvie decesed on the 23 of October, 1654, and, with her sayd father, lieth under this place. Anne Jvie, his widdowe, in memorie of her deare husband and child, hath erected this monument in the yeare of our Lord God, 1663.

Bradfield.



Bradfield-house drawne by remembrance.

Now in the parish of Hullavington, (but anciently a parish of itself, and a Mannor,) the chappel stood. This House is the

old Gothic fashion, with the barne within the court, which was the general way of building the Mansion howses, or howses of the Lord of Mannors.

Here is a good fair Gate-house and Hall of the old way. In the Hall windowes are these Coates.

1. A. a pile, S. surmounted of a chev. G.
2. On a chief Az. two estoiles O. (the Field broken out).
3. G. on bend, Az. two swans A. bt. 3 estoiles O. Russell.
4. Russell, impaling A. fess bt. 3 swans, S. Nicholas.
5. Ermine on chief A. lion pas gard. A.
6. A. three vanes G. Forte (vide Guillim).

The Catt, the Ratt, and Lovell the Dog,
Rule all England under a Hogge.

I think it was Collingbourne made this. q. Ned James.

Mem: Vide Mr. Edm. James' old deeds; which are the oldest that I believe any gentleman hath in this County.

Somerford-parva.

On the Church-porch; over the door, is this scutcheon in stone, a cross moline. The glass all new, the chancell east windowe of five or six lights walled up, and overgrowne with Ivy.

In the Leiger book of the Earle of March, I find William de Bohun Earl of Northampton, had by the right of Elizabeth his wife, third daughter and coheir of Egidius de Badlesmere, among other lands in this County, feodum uni^o militis cum pertinent: in Somford Mautravers in Com. Wilts, quod Johannes Mautravers tenet et quod ad sex libras extenduntur per annum.

Mr. Anth. Ettrick tells me, that in the Belfre windowe is A. three pales wave G. which is the coate he believes of Maudit.

Mauditch Parke in this parish, vulgarly, but the true name is Maudit, *i. e.* maledictus, did belong to the Priory of St. Maries. Vide Leiger Book who gave it. At Xpiane Malford is a butcher of the name yet. Here hath been, till of late years, a Parke; the house stands very pleasantly on a hill, facing the West: below in the valley are rich meadows belonging to it. The house is now much decayed.

Mem: In an old booke at the Herald's office, I find this Coate, viz. G. a three-peux dauncet d'or, by the name of Sir John Maudit.

Somerford-magna, alias Somerford Maltravers.

In the Church, N. side E. window is this Escutcheon, G. on a bend Az. 2 Swans A. bt. 3 mullets O. which is by the name of Russell: in the Limbe, "Orate pro Animab' -----"

Elisabet uxoris ejus." Two figure with *Miserere*, &c. issuing from their mouths with labels. q. their habits.

In the Chancel.

In the Limb of the window thus "*Orate pro via Thome Drew, et pro bono Statu agnetis uxoris ejus.*" q. the coate of Drew.

The Assassination of Harry Long was contrived in the Parlour of the Parsonage here. Mr. Atwood was then Parson; he was drowned coming home.

Dantsey.

Anno - - - - - here was a robbery committed at the Manour house, on the family of the Stradlings; he and all his servants, except one plowboy who hid himself, were murdered, by which means, this whole estate came to Anne his sister, and that married after to Sir John Danvers, a handsome gentleman, who clapt up a match with her before she heard the newes, he, by good fortune lightning upon the Messenger first. She lived at that time in Pater Noster Rowe at London, and had but an ordinary portion. This Robbery was done on a Saturday night; the next day the Neighbours wondered none of the family came to Church; they went to see what was the matter, and the Parson of the parish very gravely went along with them, who by the bye was proved to be one of the company, and was (I think) hanged for his paines.

Mem: Anno Dom: 16 - - - Regno regis Caroli primi, Henry Earle of Danby built an almshouse in this parish for - - - - poore people, and a schoole. Quere the Salary of both. Here is a stately Parke with admirable oakes; the ground too good. The meadowes and pastures here are famous at Smithfield Markett: no better ground in England.

John Earle of Oxford had, by right of his wife Mawd, one of the Coheires of Egidius Badlesmere, ffeodum unius militis cum pertinent: in Smythcote, in Com: Wilts, quod Ricus Dautesey tenet, et quod ad decem libras.

N. My Lady Viscountess Purbec tells me, that at our Lady's Church at Calais, lie two of the sonnes of Sir John Dantesey. Her Lord lyes in that aisle. There had been a Dantesey Governour there. They had two or three streets there.

This is a very fine Church, and hath had better luck in the late warres than any hereabout. In the Chancel on the N. side is an Altar Monument of freestone of good Gothique worke. About the Limbe of the plan of it is, viz.

"Here lyeth buried Sr. John Danvers Lt. sometime Lord of this Mannor, & Patron of this Church in the right of Dame Anne his Wyfe, the which sated Sr. John Danvers the ⁱiiijs day of ⁱ month of Januarie deþted this lyfe too transitorie ⁱ yeare of our Lord God MCCCC and ⁱiiij."

At the four corners of the plan of this tombe are these Escutcheons in brasse; the Effigies of them in armour, and of his Ladie, both at length:

1. Danvers on a bend, 3 popinjays, quartering, 2 bars in chief, 2 stag's heads cabossed, a crescent for difference.
2. Paly of 6 on a bend, 3 cinqfoils, Stradling quartering Dantsey.
3. Danvers quartered as the 1st, impaling Stradling, quartering Dauntsey.
4. As the 3d.

On the sides in colours:

1. Per pale O. and A. 3 bars nebule G.
2. A. on bend G. 3 popinjays O.
3. Danvers quartered with 2 bars in chief, 2 stag's heads cabossed. In the nich of, and in brasse, Anne Daunbers kneeling between the old fashioned Trinity and the coate of Dautesey.

What bayleth yt Riches, or what possession,
 Gyftes of high nature: nobles in gentry,
 Daftenes depur'd, or pregnant pollycy;
 Sith prowes, sith power have theyr pgression.
 Ifate it is fatall on self succession,
 That world hath nothing p smellith not frealtte,
 Where most assuraunce, is most unsuertie.
 Here lieth Dame Anne, the Lady of Dautesey,
 To Sir John Danbers, spowse in conjunction
 To Sir John Dautesey, by lyne discencion,
 Cosyn and heire, whose herptage highlye
 Hastely be firm'd in Criste his mancion.

By the same (orator of the university at Cambridge) pinned on the curtain of the Picture of the old S^r John Danvers, who was both a handsome and a good man.

Pass not by,
 Search and you may
 Find a treasure
 Worth your stay.
 What makes a Danvers
 Would you find?
 In a fayre bodie
 A faire mind.

S^r John Danvers' earthly part
 Here is copyed out by art ;
 But his heavenly and divine,
 In his progenie doth shine.
 Had he only brought them forth,
 Know ; *much* had been his worth ;
 Ther's no monument to a sonne,
 Read him there, and I have donne.

Above this Monument is a very beautiful and entire windowe of four lights. 1st. the Picture of a King holding the head of a young King in his hand ; at the bottome, four lovely male children, resembling their father, kneeling in gownes with wide sleeves like a Bachelor of Artes ; over their heads, in a scrole " *Sante Iherosimunde ora p̄ nobis.*" 2d. Our Ladie, in a scrole from our Lady, *Ecce ancilla dñi - - - ad m̄chi s̄dm̄ t̄bu :* underneath the picture of S^r John Danvers, a handsome young gentleman kneeling in armour, over which is a *Coate of Armes*, in the scrole, *Sancta det*

generatrix semper virgo Marie ora p̄ nobis. 3. Angelus Annuncians under Dame Anne kneeling: over her cloathes, her *Cote of Armes*. In the scrole, *Intōcedē p̄ nob̄ ad dom̄m* - - - - - 4. Saincte Anne: under, four or five daughters kneeling. In the scrole, *Sancta Anna ora p̄ nobis*. Every one with a girdle pendant as a Cordelies;* which fashion is of late introduced in mourning for women, of old only for noble-women. On the top of every light an escutcheon as followeth: In the limbe at the bottome this Inscription “*Atab̄ Johāis Danvers militis (t̄ d̄ne Anne - - - - - p̄ atab̄ filior̄ filiarque suarū - - - - - anno dni. MCCCCxx.*”

1. Danvers quartered as before, impaling Stradling quartering Dautesey.
2. Danvers quartering - - - - -
3. Stradling quartering Dantsey; these should be barry nebule of 6.
4. As the first.

In the east windowe of the Chancel are Danvers quartering Dantsey, and impaling Courtney. 2. Per pale indented G. and V. a chev. O. quartering Hungerford, impaling Stradling, quartering Dantsey.

Mem: The crescents in these coates; therefore S^r John was not the penkenol. This crescent is also on his *coate*-armour, over his armour.

In the south window of the chancel, in four lights, are the pictures (entire) of Sancta Magdalena, S^a Katharina, S^a Margarita,

* Quere.

S^a Dorothea with her basket of roses; overthwart every one a scrole, in which, "He please God, so be it."

Below this windowe is an ancient monument, partly altar-waies, with a great niche; about the limb of the plan, I pray you of your Charity (t in the worship of y^e Crinite for our soule say a Pater n^r. (t an Ave. In several places A. D. In the middle between two Angels kneeling, are the armes of Dauntsey; on the two pillars of the monument stand two mastiff doges, I believe the crest of Dauntsey.

1. 1st, Dantsey impaling S. 6 martl. O. quartering Az. a bend O. 3d, Checky O. and G. on chief A. guttee de sang. 4th as 1st.
2. Dantsey.
3. Dantsey impaling Courtney.

Under the communion table, in ffreestone, viz.

Hic jacet Johannes Delbale Armiger, et Dna Johana uxor ej^o. quondam uxor Dni Mauricij Russell militis. qui quidem Johes Delbale obiit mense ----- die ultimo MCCCC --- iiii. Et pefata Johanna obiit m ----- primo die A^o Dni ----- Cuj^o atab^o ppiciet^r Deus.

He and she are drawn at length, he in armour, with sword and dagger over their heads:

1. Barry nebule 6.
2. Per cross, in first quarter a D. for Drake; in second and third a fess nebule; in fourth an A. for Aston.
3. Chev. erm. bt. 3 cross crosslets.

On the north side of the Chancel is a handsome Burying place, rayled with iron, wherein lies buried old S^r John Danvers, (q. if S^r Ch. Danvers † was beheaded, he was buried in the tower chapell.) E. of Danby, S^r John his brother, and - - - - - Lady* Gargrove his sister. This was built by the Earle, for whom is erected by his *Will*, a noble altar monument of white marble, with this inscription, viz. about the plan :

“Henry Earl of Danby, 2d sone to S^r John Danvers, K^t. and Dame Elizabeth, daughter and coheir to Nevill Lord Latimer, borne at Dautesey in the countie of Wiltes, ; 28 day of June A^o Dñi 1573, and baptized in this church the first of July following, being Sunday. He departed this life on ; 20 day of January A^o 1643, and lyeth here interred.”

(North side)

He was

partly bred up in the Lowe-countrey warres under MARICE Earle of NASSAW, afterwards Prince of ORANGE, and in many other military actions of those times both by sea and land. He was made a Captain in the warres of Fraunce, and there knighted for his good service under Henry IV. then French King. He was employed as Lieutenant Generall of the horse, and Serjeant Major of the whole army in *Ireland* under *Robert Earl of Essex*, and Charles *Baron Mountjoy*, in the reigne of *Queen Elizabeth*.

(South side)

He was

made Baron of Dautesey and Peer of this Realme by King James the First, and by him made Lord *President* of *Munster*, and Governour of Garnesey. By King Charles the First he was created Earle of DANBY, made of his privy councell, and Knight of the most

* Quere.

noble Order of the Garter. But declining more active employments in his later time (by reason of his imperfect health)

Full of honour, woundes and daies, he dyed at his howse in Cornbury-parke in the county of Oxford, in the year 71 of his age.

Laus Deo.

(East side) EPITAPH.

Sacred marble, safely keepe
 His dust, who under thee must sleepe,
 Untill the graves again restore
 Their dead, and time shall be no more :
 Meane while, if he (which all things weares)
 Does ruine thee ; or if the teares
 Are shed for *Him*, dissolve thy frame,
 Thou art requited ; for *His* fame,
 His vertues, and his worth shall bee
 Another monument to thee. G. Herbert.

This coate, viz. Danvers quartering Nevill, with supporters, Dexter a wyvern, Sinister a mountain cat, is on the outside of the tower, which is very well built; about the tower are divers coates, which are quartered by Danvers and Nevill. On the tower on the inside is this coat also, with the garter in colours. Mem: that the three popinjaies was the coate of Branchester, whose d. and heir Danvers married, and left his *owne* coate, which was not reassumed till by old S^r John Danvers, viz. G. a chevron enter 3 estoilles pierced, or.

“Now, Richard Hunt, (a servant true to the Earle of Danby, here Rul'd 18 yeares his Wiltshire estate) lyeth buryed underneath

This marble stone ; whose desire was all ages that doe come
 Would not disturb his bodyes rest, but let his bones alone,
 Till Jesus Christ (in whom only was all his hope and trust)
 Shall glorify his sinfull corps, which here lay in the dust.
 Natus Ap^l. 1, 1581. Obijt. 30. Aug^r. 1647."

"Acton Drake, Gent. gentleman of His Lo^{ds}. bedchamber, Ranger of
 the Forrest of Whichwood in Com: Oxford, and one of his Lor^{ds}.
 executors, and faithfull servant. Obijt. 1642."

Neer the Belfre. "Here lyeth buried William Lawrence, gent. who
 departed this life An^o. Dni. 1650 and *Ætatis suæ* 68."

Seagre vulgo Segary.

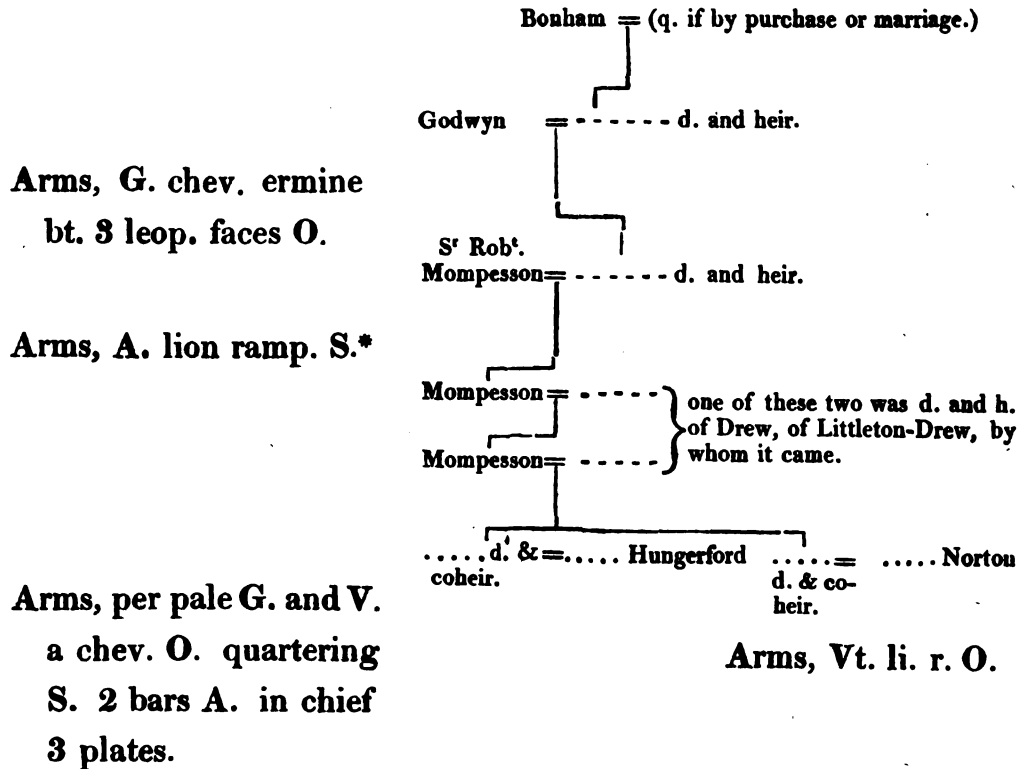
In the north side of this Church is an ancient freestone monu-
 ment in a nich, but without inscription or escutcheon ; nor is any
 tradition left whose it is : and on the same side another of a Che-
 valier in armour, with his shield, but without any charge in it or
 inscription. In the chapell on the east side is also an ancient
 tombe without escutcheon or inscription, whereof no tradition is left.

In a window of the north side of the Church remains a figure
 of an Esquire kneeling, with a silver collar* round his neck, and

* A Silver Collar of SS (as this should be) is to be worn by an Esquire ; Collar of SS of Gold
 by Knights.

an escutcheon, viz. - - - - (Dexter side is broken out) Sinister S. fess. O. bt. 3 horses' heads coup. A. bridled O.

Mem: Segre mannor house was sometime a Nunnery. The Lord Seagrave gott it long since - - - - afterwards it came to



Mem: Moorshull in Kington parish, and Chissenbury, and Fisherton Anger and Littleton Drew, were the lands of Mompesson.

* This Coat is in the Hall window, with the martelet on the shoulder.

Stanton-Quintin.

In the hall of the Mannor howse, which is of very old building, are these coates in one of the windowes.

1. O li. r. Az. langued and armed G.
2. - - - - - a chief vaire.
3. G. li. stat. gard. and crowned O.
4. G. 3 water bougets in pale A. by name Ros.

I suppose the second banner had this coate: O. 3 chevronells, G. and a chief vaire, for this belonged anciently to the Lord St. Quintin.

The hall is above stairs, all on an ascent outwards, as at Bradenstock Abbey. In the hall and parlour are two old fashioned protuberant chimneys, which fashion is still used in France: the upper rooms are floored with *oak*, which perhaps was the general fashion in the old time, and brought in, no question, by the French. Here is a little building with leads and battlements, which was, I believe, an oratory; by the dore is a well carved holy water niche and basin in stone. A brave mote here was, part remaining, well stored with fish, and an old fashioned gatehouse.

This house is rarely well situated, and in very good aire; the grounds midling. It hath a delicate prospect south and east towards Hakpen, and that range of hills; and north to Cotteswold.

The parke (very large) comes to the house, yet is remaining part of the wall of it, built with mortar, and overgrown with ivy, the highest that I know to any park: likely of old here were kept staggess.

Mem: In this parish stood a very fine hermitage, moted about, in an oken wood.

This mannor came by match from Quintin to the Lord Dacres.

At the porch of the hall of the Parsonage House are these coates well carved in stone:

1. A fesse dancette, in chief 3 leop. heads caboss.
2. The See of Wells impaling A. on a fess az. bt. 3 stags' heads caboss. O. in chief and 3 anchors S. in base, a mitre O.
3. Three chevronels, braced in base, a chief - - -

Over the 2d coat is B. laus Deo. This B, for Tho. Beckington Bishop of Wells; this coate is in many places there, and no doubt but he had been Parson there. B^r Beckington died Jan' 14, 1464.—v. Godwyn de Presul.

The hall hath been very good; old Jo. Power, D. remembers when there was a great deal of painted glass in the window, and coates with mitres, and tradidit that a Bishop lived there.

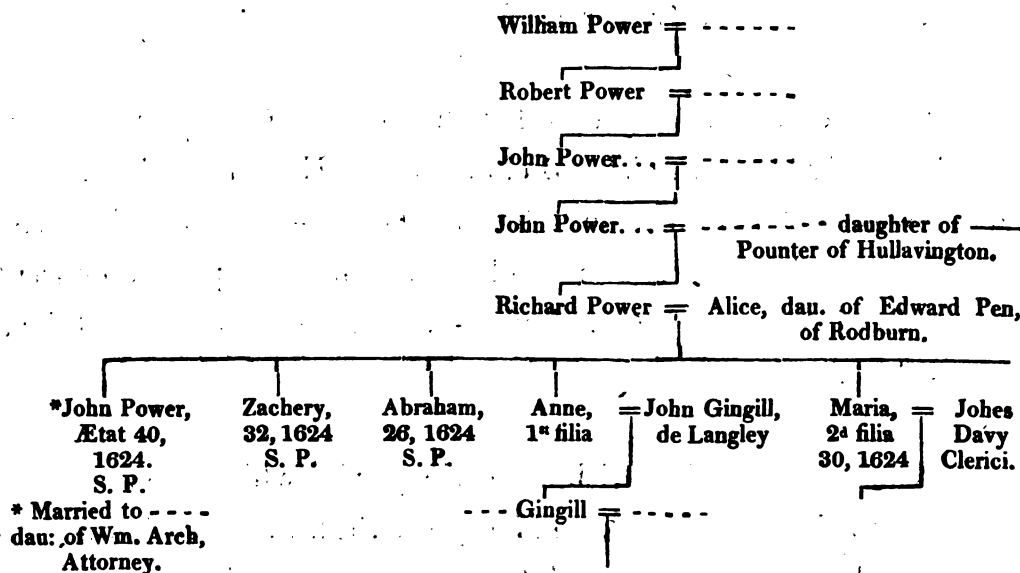
Nothing of antiquity now left in the church. In the chancell

are two old kind of collegiate seates for priests; and boxes for their song books. It is likely here was some Chauntrey for some of the Lords of the Mannor. On the west side, outside, is an ugly figure in stone in the wall, of St. Michael and $\frac{c}{y}$ Devill, like a dragon I think.

Mem: Staunton Quintin did belong to the *Abbey of Cirencester*, ut apparet *per le legier Booke*, with S^r Will^m. Masters.

POWER, OF STANTON QUINTIN.

Arms, Per pale G. and Az. on a chief A. 3 mullets S.



Mem: I have heard my cozen Parson Power say, that the Farme of Stanton (which this family had for many generations on lease) belonged to the Lord Abbot of Cirencester, and that his

grandfather was a great favourite of the Abbot's. In the great mead of Christian Malford is a - - - - - acres, anciently known by the name of Power's meade, belonging to Stanton, and it was for the Abbot's horses when he came.

Sutton Benger.

Mem: Barnewell Castle in Northamptonshire, was built by Berenger le *Moine*. Benger is the contracted name of Berenger. It is probable that this place was given to the Abbey of Malmesbury by him, at which convent he might be a Monke. Q. Benger's coate, and vide *Leiger Book*.

In the church is only now left the coate of Clare, in the west windowe of the south aisle, 3 chevronels. Here have been good windowes, and is a neat built tower. One - - - - - a taylor, who lived where Vicar Ferris now dwells, gave the play-place; he went to the Lord Abbot of Malmesbury, and begged it, and got it for a play-place.

Anciently in this parish were vineyards, which among other graunts to the Longs by King Henry the Eighth, are recited. Gravelly land is the most natural for vines. Near this village, eastwards, is a gravelly field called *Barrts*, which is sowne every year only with barley: never lay fallow in the memory of the oldest man's grandfather there. Some years since, Leon: Atkins sowed

a part of it with wheat, for a tryall ; it come up wonderfully thick and high ; but it proved but faire strawe, and had little or nothing in $\frac{2}{3}$ eare.

In the Parsonage Parlour here, over the chimney, are two hooded monk's heads cut in stone.

Mem: severall hundred yeares since, one of the Abbots of Malmesbury did give to the Church of Sarum the Parsonage of Sutton Benger, Whitlegh, in the parish of Calne, &c. to be exempt from the Bishop's jurisdiction. Mr. Ferris of this place hath the copie of it, and De Jure the parsonage here doth belong unto the Vicar, which the Dean and Chapter of Sarum hath aliened about a hundred yeares.

In an old book in the Herald's Office, I find the coate of S^r. Ingram Berenger, of Wiltshire ; scil: Or. a crosse vert. over which a bend G.

Dracot Cerne.

In the Chancell is a monument of a chevalier, lying in maile, cross-legged, in an antique niche on the north side; the tradition is that it is the monument of S^r Philip Cerne.

On a flatt marble in the Chancell are three figures in brass, with inscriptions, viz. Monsieur Edward Cerne, chevalier, et Elyne sa femme gist icy de ses queus almes deux p sa piette pt m^{ri}. Amen.

On the left side of Edward Cerne lies his daughter, with this inscription, viz. *Phillippe de Cerne gist icy. Dieu de s'alme ept merci.*

On the right side is another fair marble, sans inscrip.

Sir Henry Long, sonne to Sir Thomas Long, lies buried in the south side of the Chancell, under a plain altar monument, covered with a faire black marble, without inscription.

Sir Thomas Long, Knight, lyes buried by the north wall of the Chancell, under a rich gothique altar monument of freestone without inscription ; his heaume and crest do yet hang up.

The coates of armes on this monument are as followeth :

West End.

1. St. John quartering Delamare. G. 2. lion pass. gard. O.

South Side

2. Long. S. crusuly off crosslets and a li. r. A.
3. Barkley impaling - - - - per pale O. and az. a cross moline counter changed.
4. Long impaling Dayrell. Az. li. r. A. crowned O.

East end.

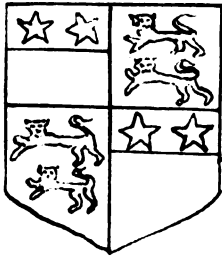
5. Seymour. G. two wings inverted O.

About the cornice of the monument, thus :

West end.

6. O. on a chief G. 2 stag's heads cabossed O.
7. Cerne. Az. a horse's head coup. O.
8. Sturton. S. a bend O bt. 6 fountains.
9. The Marshall's fett lock or hand bolt.

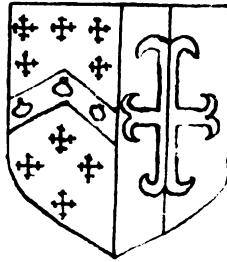
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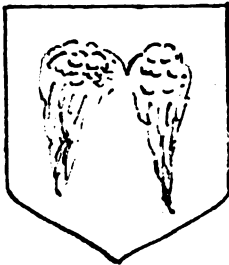
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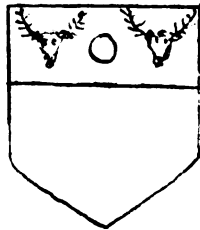
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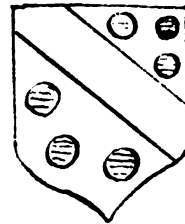
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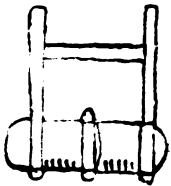
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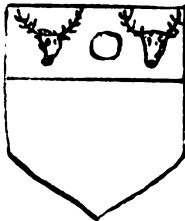
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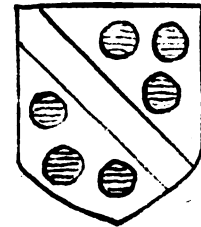
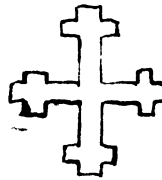
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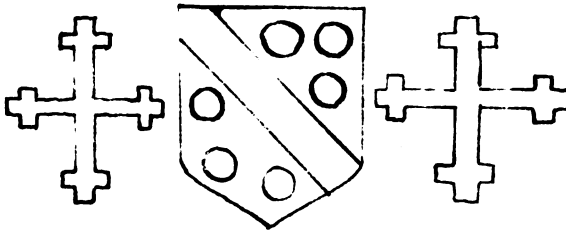
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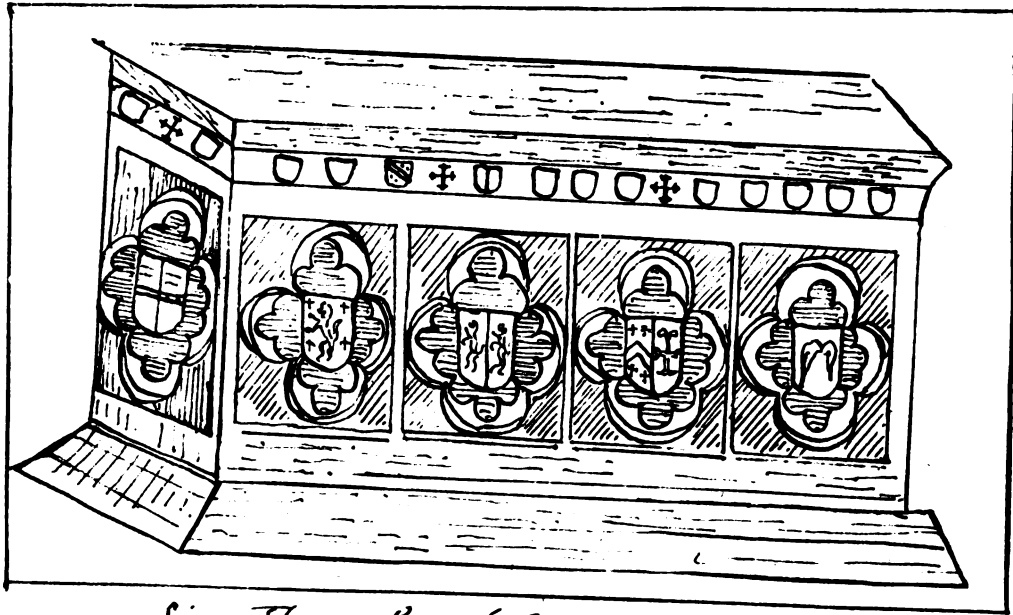


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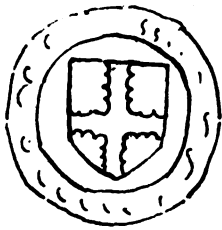
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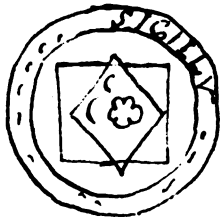


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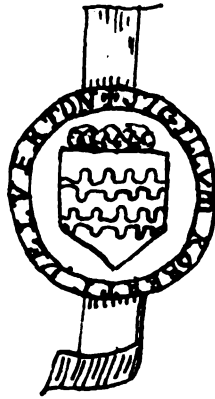


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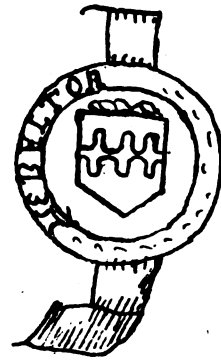
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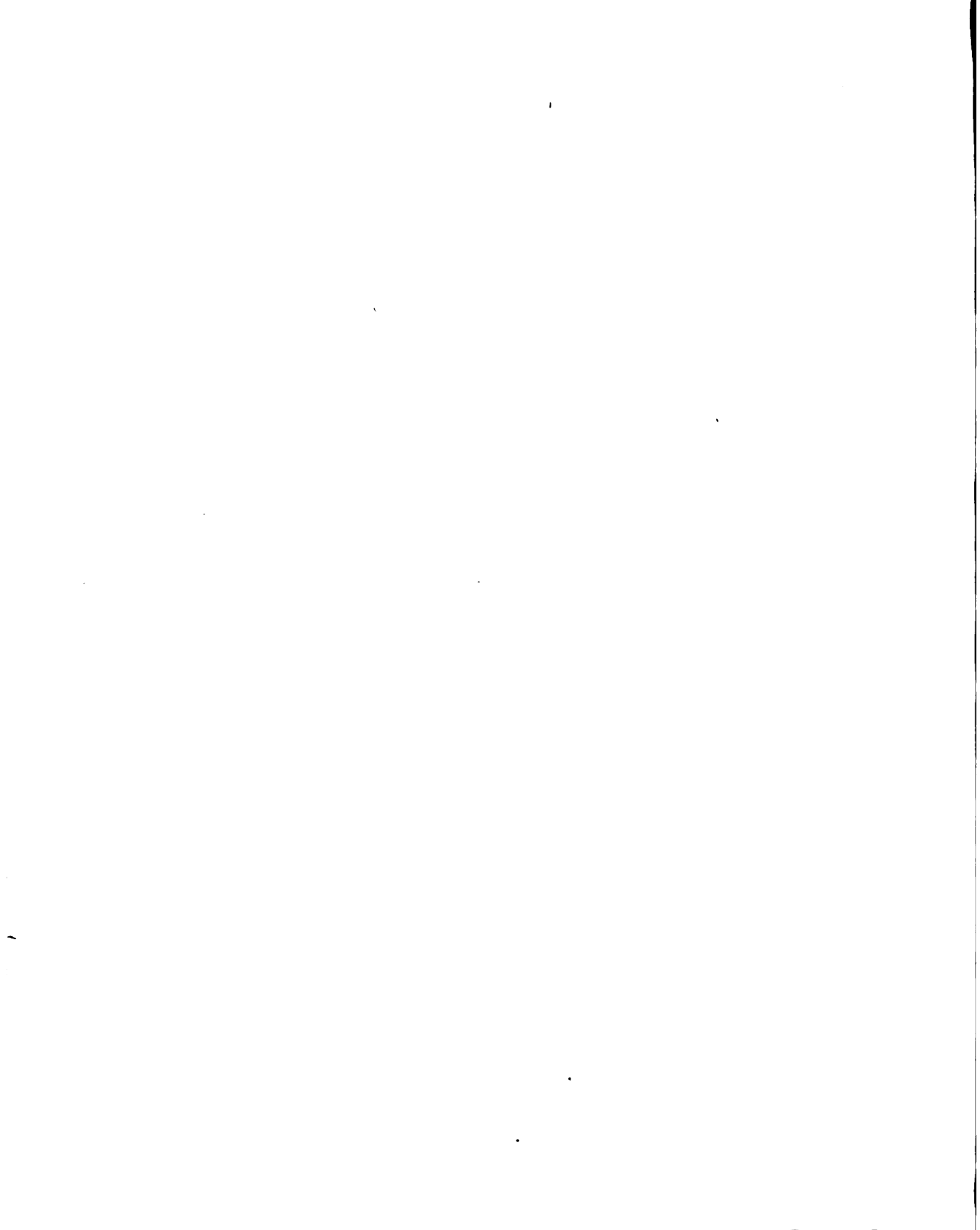


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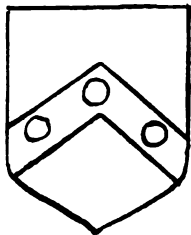
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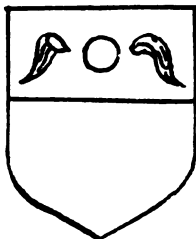
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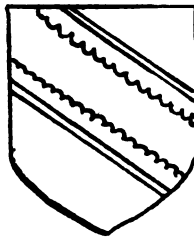
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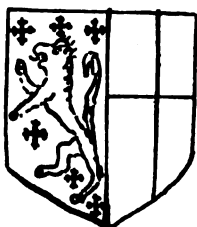
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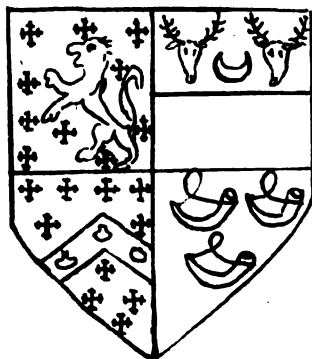
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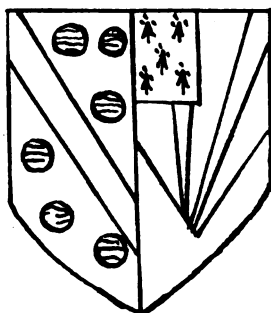
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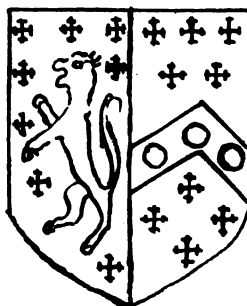
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10. O. on a chief G. a bezant between 2 stag's heads cabossed O.
11. Long imp. a chevron quartering Seymour.
A cross crosslet.
12. Sturton, as before.
13. Sturton between two cross crosslets.
14. Seymour, as before.
15. - - - - - On a chevron - - - - - 3 bezants.
16. A. on a chief G. a bezant between 2 wings O.
17. A. li. r. S. collared O. langued and armed G.
18. Az. a bend engrail cotized O.
19. Idem cum 17.
20. Long imp. quarterly - - - - -

Q. Cerne's coate, and if Wayte did not marry the daughter and heir of Cerne.

Mem: Dracot was held by petit Sergeantie, viz. by being Marshall at the King's Coronation; which is the reason the Cernes gave the Marshall's Lock for their cognizance.

Mem: the Longs were anciently Lords lieutenants of Bradon Forest.

In the windowe by the pulpit is an escutcheon in stone, viz.

21. 1, Long, quartering 2, Bradley. 3, Barclay of Bruton. 4, Wayte, A. 3 bugles S.—q. de 2 and 4.*

* Mem: Col. Long sayes, that the coate like Popham's is by the name of Bradley; and that Bradley mannor came by that match. q. de hoc.

In the ariel window in the hall, these coates :

- 22. Long imp. O. on chief G. a crescent O. 2 stag's hds. cab. O.
- 23. Sturton imp. Wrottesley. O. 3 piles S. a canton erm.

In the Parlour windowe :

- 24. Long imp. Barkeley of Bruton.
- 25. Long imp. Wrottesley of Staffordshire.

In stone over the hall chimney, 1574

- 26. Long quartering Popham, (qu:) and Seymour and imp. Carne of Wenny in Glamorganshire, quartering a saltire crosslet.

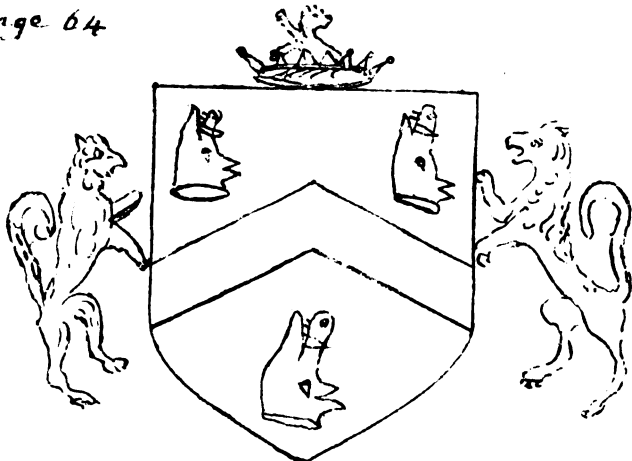
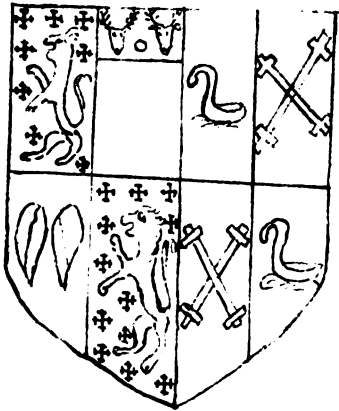
Over the porch,

- 27. As 26, Carne of Glamorganshire.
- 28. A. chevron between 3 boar's heads, erect S. - - - Lea Earle of Marlborough, who built this gate.
- 29. Long.
- 30. The new crest, a lion's head erased.

Over the stable dore as over the porch, but with manteling and the new crest, given by King Henry Eighth to S' - - - Long, for making a gallant charge in the King's sight at Tirwan.

Here (at Draycot) is a great deal of vitriol oare ; Sir Wm. Long about the beginning of King James, digged for silver through blue clay, and got £20. worth, but at £60. charge, or better.* Here are frequently found petrified periwinkles, also belemnites. The

* From my Grand-father Lyte.



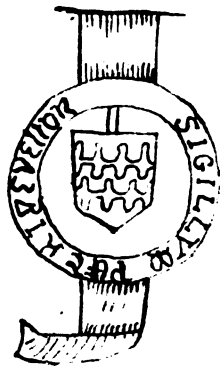
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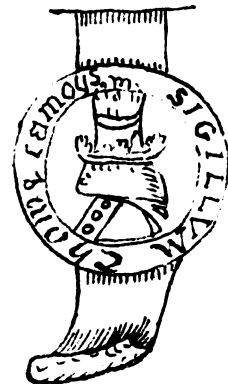
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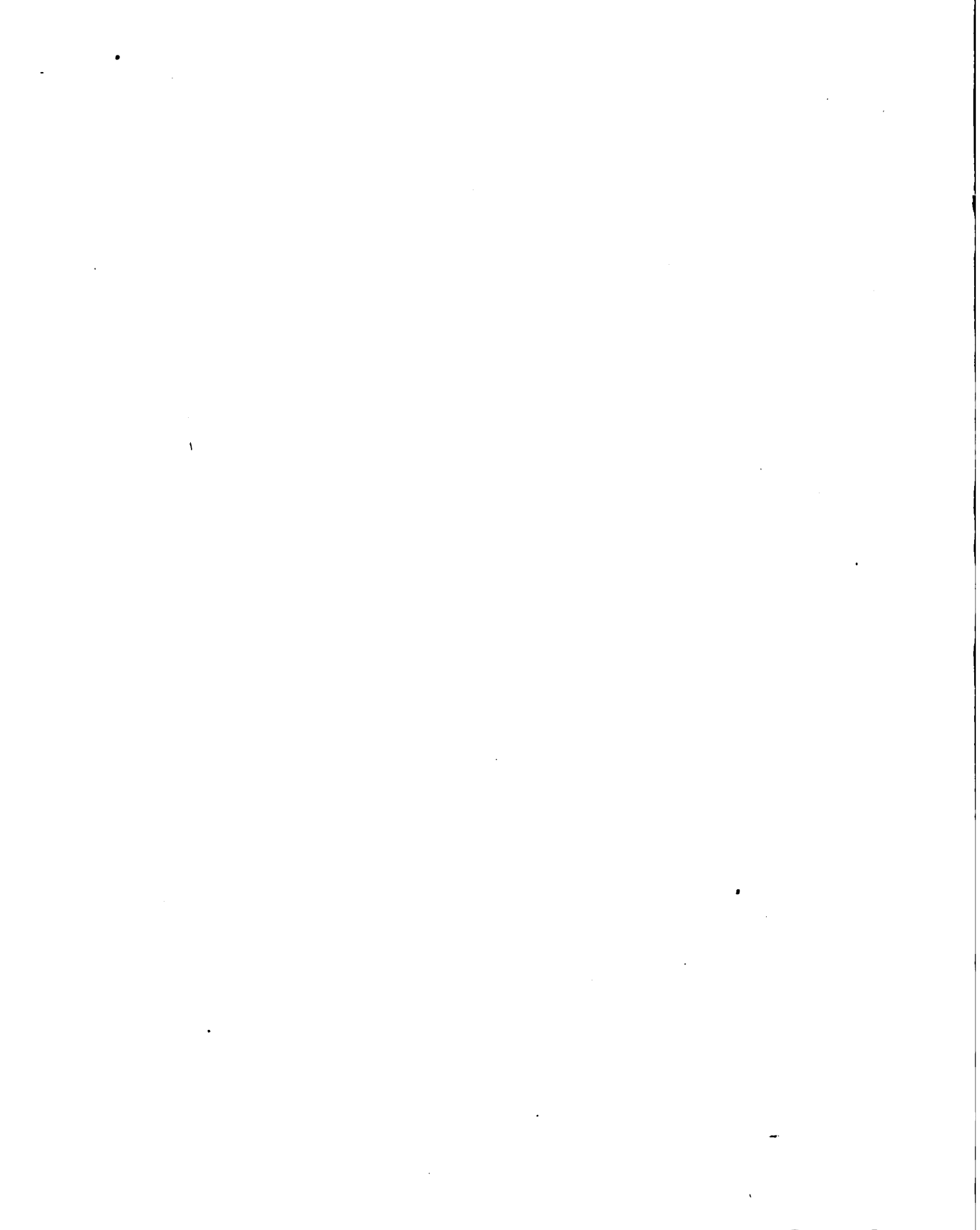


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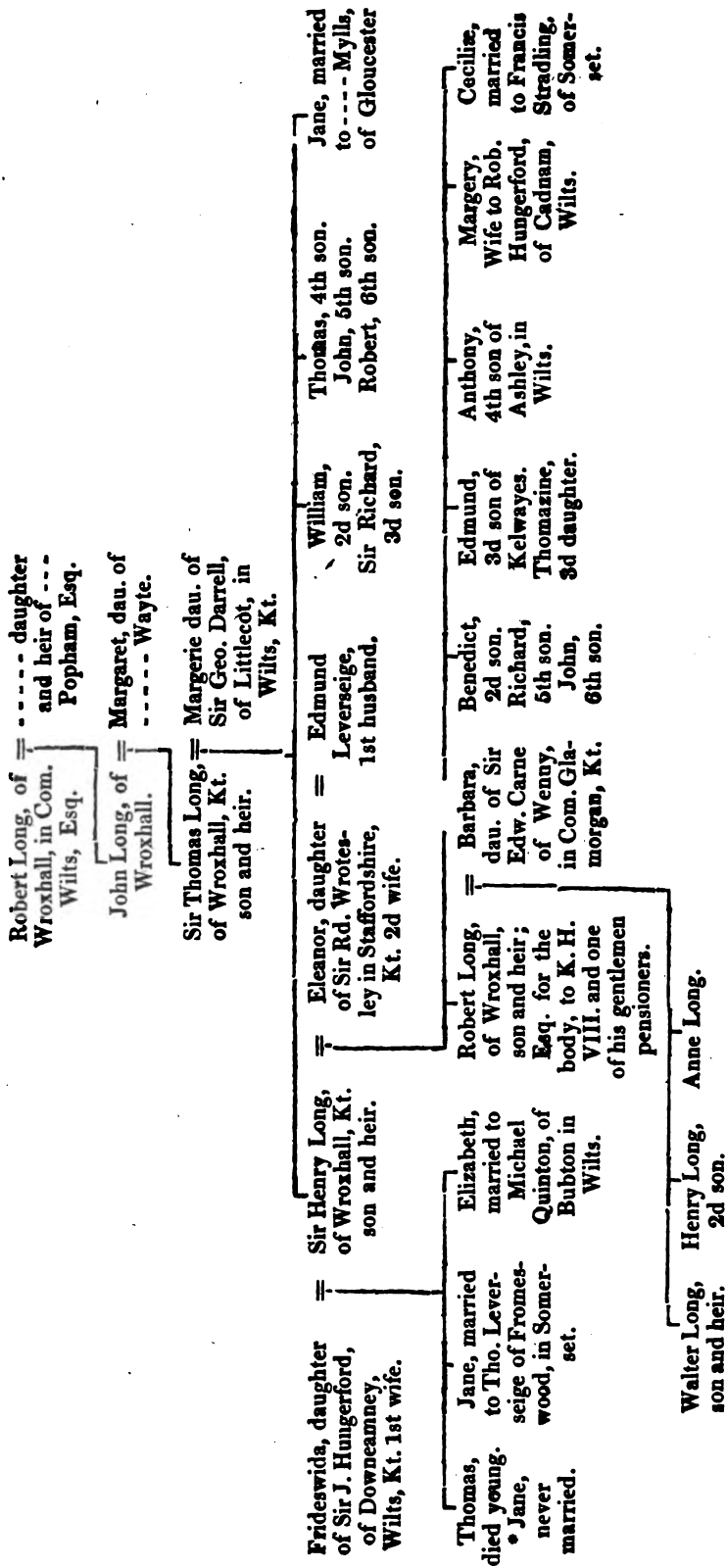


water is not good for tucking or fulling-mills; it tinges the cloath a little yellowish.

One of the Longs was Chief Justice in Eyre. Q. who, and in what King's reign.

Several of them have been Lieutenants of Bradon Forest.

Mem: 'Twas S' Henry Long that made that gallant charge at Terwayn in France, in the sight of King Henry the Eighth, and for which action, the King did graunt him that new crest, viz. Lyon's head, erazed, crowned, with a man's hand in the mouth.



* Query, Joane."—Editor.

Whitchurch.

Whitchurch-hill is opposite to Knapwell, (vulgarly called Knabbalds), and probably was their parish church.

Cnapwelle.

The Court Rolles of Draycot-Cerne mention, Manerium de Cnapwell juxta Dracot. Etym: Out of the middle of the Knap issueth disembogued a subterranean Rill. Upon felling the oakes here, many foundations of howses were discovered, and a smyth's forge.

Easton-Pierse.

Easton-Pierse was anciently a parish of itself. It was a little Mannor, where is yet to be seen - - - - - tofts. It is now in the Parish of Kington St. Michael, which is in another Hundred, viz. in the Hundred of Damerham-north. In the time of Henry VII. a world of little Mannours over England were destroyed; as several here about. Q. When this was annexed to Kington. The Chapell was pulled down about fourteen years since, it was but small, and such a turret for two tintinnabula as at Leigh de la Mere, Corston and Brokenborough. The toft where it stood is still called the

Chapell-bay, near to the Mannour house: They did bury here. This Mannour butted upon Cotteswold (which is a ploughed Campania) and Mem: that, to the Parson's close adjoining to Easton-grounds, all was common, and Yatton and Easton did inter-common together, and put in cattle equally. At the crosse way by the pound stood the crosse: a piece whereof is at this house as a trough, and at Cromwells, the font stone serves for cattle to drink.

That this place was anciently the Piers's, the addition speakes: I have some deeds that run so high. In this parish are some of that name yet left: vide the Leiger book of Trapnell, at Colonel Wm. Eyres at Neston, where mention is made of Pierse and his coote. Azure 5 milpecks or fusils, Or. This MS is the best key to open the knowledge of the old and lost families, which is my search.

Mem: at the entrance into the Lane, which heretofore went to Lye delamer, to the Mannour house, stood the Crosse.

Mem: In my grandfather Thomas Lyte's remembrance, Herons did build on high oakes, near the orchard of Easton Mannor howse.

Extract of my old deeds. Q. when dating of deeds first came in.

“Sciant presentes, &c. quod ego Willms Seward de Eston Peres reddidi concessi, &c. dilecto dño. meo Johanni de Eyvelton & Johannæ uxori ejus et heredibus, &c. omnia tenementa in Eston

Peres—habend, &c. predict Joh̄. & Johannæ, &c. Hiis testibus. Roberto de Bardevia, Johē Huberd de *Stantoncourt, Edmundo de Berewik, Rogero de Cromhale, Johane de Fyzhuron et multis aliis.

“Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Johannes le Heyr’ de Estone Peris reddidi, &c. Johanni de Yeveltone et Johannæ uxori, &c. et heredibus, &c. omnes terras, &c. quæ de ipsis Johanne et Johana tenui in villa predicta, habend: et tenend: &c. et ego prædict. Johan: et hered: mei &c. contra omnes gentes Warrantizabimus, Hiis testibus. &c. Roger Hasard, Walter Risom, Willm̄ de Somerford, Ric: Baylemore, Johannes Rossell de Segere & multis aliis.

“Omnibus Christi fidelibus, &c. Ricus de Cosham et Alicia uxor ejus, Salutem; &c. Noveritis nos concessisse, &c. Johani de Cosham unum mesuagium et unam virgatam terræ cum pertinentiis in Eston Peres, quæ de prædicto Johanne tenuimus ad terminum vitæ nostræ in Estone Peres, Hiis testibus. Thom. de Pedeworth, Johanne Clement, Willielmo de Midelhope, Roberto de Bardener, Waltero Willeme de Budestone, cum multis aliis.

“Sciant presentes, &c. quod ego Johannes filius Johannis Fitzpieres militis dedi concessi, &c. in fœdum Jvettæ uxori Adam Hoke de Yetton, et heredibus pro homagio et servicio suo viij acras terræ arabilis et j ferudell positas in teritorio. . . . Eston de feodo meo, viz. in campo australi iiij acras et unum ferudellum, quarum ij acræ quæ vocantur Golde acre, stant super Rugway inter terram Parsonæ de Yetton et terram A. filiæ W. de Haylesworthe: Item, &c.

* Query Stanton Court

Item in campo aquilonari iiij acrae, quarum ij acrae in oriente parte *Bolemede*, jacet inter terram domini Abbatis de Stanley et terram Adam Felwy *bonae per hegge*. * Item, &c. Et ego Johannis de Eston et hered: &c. octo acras et unum ferudellum cum communi pasturae praedictae J. uxori Adam Hoke et heredibus suis contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus. Pro hac autem donatione et confirmacione dedit in manibus J. uxor Adam Hoke xvj solidos et iiij denarios in gersumam, &c. Hiis testibus. Milone de Kaynes, Henry Herbert, Walter de la Sale de Allingthoun, Willielmo de Aswell de Budeston, W^{mo}. Walter de Buleston, W^{mo}. Cumpary, Roberto Swey de Yatton, cum aliis.

“Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego W. Fitz-piers de Eston vendidi, et concessi, &c. totam terram meam in villam de Eston, scilicet, 1. virgat, terrae et $\frac{1}{2}$ cum omnibus pertinentiis Johani de Eston dno. meo, tenend. et habend., et redd: unum denarium die paschae pro omni servicio, &c. pro hac autem venditione, &c. praedictus Johannes viij marcas argenti michi et Agneti uxori meae $\frac{1}{2}$ marcam argenti praemanibus, &c. Et ego, &c. Warrantizabimus, &c. Hiis testibus, Ada de Mara, Henry de Hurbhum,* Thom. de Cherleton, Helys de Cherleton, Simon de Segree, Osebarto Hitreld,* W^m. de Coshum, Rob. de Crumhale, Johani Clerico, et multis aliis.

“Sciunt, &c. quod ego Henricus Kaynel dedi, &c. Thomae Bloet pro homagio et servicio 3 virgat: de feudo meo de Eston, &c. Hiis testibus, Ricardo de Lukington, Radulfo de Pinkeny, Milone

* Query.

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de Kaynes, Thoma de Foxcot, Wⁿ. de Bosco, Adam de Kaynes, Will. le Hayward, Walter Drew, Galfrido de Kaynel, Walt. de Croco, Waltero Clerico, et multis aliis.

“Sciunt presentes, &c. quod ego Johannes de Cosham dedi, &c. Rico Clerico et Constanciæ uxori sue pro xx marcis præ manibus solut. 1 mesuag. et 1 virgat. terræ cum omnibus pertinentiis in Estone Peres, habend: et tenend: prædict: &c. prædicto Rico et Constancie, &c. Warrantizabimus, Hiis testibus, Dn̄s. Joh̄ane de la Mare, Ad: Walrond militibus, Thoma de Pedeworth, Joh̄ne Clement, W^{no}. de Middelhope, Adam Harding, Joh̄ne de Dougle, et aliis.

“Sciunt, &c. quod ego Henricus Keynel dedi et concessi, &c. Johani de Estona pro homagio et servicio suo sex acras terræ meæ in Veteri Estona et iiij acras jacentes in Bromdune* med. et ij acras extendent super Heylethorn - - - habend: et tenend: &c. reddendo inde annuatim unum par chirothecarum† vel unum denarium in festo S^u. Michaelis pro omni servicio hiis testibus dn̄o Rogero de Lokinton, Ada de la mare, Milone de Kaynes, Willmo de Kaynel, Johane Burel, et multis aliis.

“Sciunt presentes, &c. quod nos Radulphus de Bokelborghe et Isabella uxor mea dedimus, &c. Johannæ filię dn̄i Petri de Estone Pieres militis defuncti vij solidatos annui redditus, in Eston Pyeres, quos Alicia quæ fuit uxor Hen. Wylly nobis solvenda, &c. Hiis testibus, Willmo Kaynel, Rogero de Kaynes, Joh̄ne Fitzours, Nicho Royly, Joh̄ne Prat, et aliis.

* Query.

† A Pair of Gloves.

Dated 1323. }
 Edw. II. }
 A°. 17. } “ Noverint, &c. quod Ego Reginaldus West reddidi
 Johanni de Yvelton dño meo totum illud mesuagium cum
 curtilagio, &c. quæ de ipso tenui in Yatton Kaynel, re-
 misi, &c. Hiis testibus. Dño Johane de la Mare, dño Edmundo
 Gacelyn militibus, Roberto de Wardenia, Thoma de Bolehide,
 Rogero de Cromhale, et multis aliis. Dat. apud Yatton Kaynel
 die dominica.

“ Hæc est finalis Concordia facta in Curia Regis Edwardi filii
 Regis Henrici apud Westm: a die Sancti Johannis Baptistæ, &c.
 anno regni regis xxxv. Coram Rado de Hengham, Willmo de
 Bereford, Petro de Malori, Willo Howard, Lambto de Try-
 kyngham, et Henrico de Staunton, Justiciarii et postea, &c. inter
 Plm de Paunton, et Julianam uxorem ejus quer: et Johannem de
 Edw. I. }
 35. a°. } Yvelton et Johannam uxor. defunct: de maner. de Eston
 1306. } Peris cum pertinentiis et de una carucata terræ cum perti-
 nent: in Yatton Kaynel, &c.

“ Sciant, &c. quod Ego Johannes Cosham filius et hæres
 Willmi Cosham de Lokynton, dedi et concessi, &c. Rico de Cosham
 et Alicie uxori suæ, totum tenementum meum in Villa de Eston
 Pers, cum terris pratis pascuis et pasturis, &c. habend: et tenend:
 ad terminum vitæ eorum vel diutius viventium de me et heredibus
 meis, &c. Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibns - - - - -
 - - - sex solidos sterling ad festum beatæ Marie et Mich: Arch-
 ang. Warrantizant. hiis testibus. Walto Wyson, Henrico Vigorous,
 Edw. II. }
 1°. } Reginald Royly, John de Cromhale et aliis, Dat. apud
 1307. } Lokynton, die Martis xx. post festum S^u. Martin. Anno
 Regis Edw: filii Regis Edw: primo.

“ Omnibus, &c. Rogerus de Combe salutem. Noveritis me remississe, &c. Johanni de Yvelton et Johannæ uxori suæ, et heredi: totum jus, &c. quod habui, &c. in illa virgata terræ cum suis pertinentiis in villa de Yatton Kaynel quam terram Johannes de Cromhale me tradidit ad terminum vitæ meæ, &c. Hiis testibus. Johane de la Mare, Adam Walrond militibus, Roberto de Wardenie, Waltero Willam, Willmo Herbert, Thoma de Bolehide, et multis aliis. Dat. Edw. 1. { apud Eston die Jovis. xx. post festum purificationis beate
4. 1275. } Marie. Anno regni Regis Edwardi quarto.

“ Omnibus &c. Johanna de Eston salutem, &c. Noveritis me dedisse concessisse, &c. Margerie, filie Roberti Willam de Marsfield, uxori Henrici de Buryman, et Alicie filie eorum, 1 mesuag. cum curtilag. cum et clausis adjacent unam virgatam terræ et tres peceas prati, cum pertinentiis in Estone Peres que Alicia atte Slade quondam tenuit. Concessi etiam Margerie et Alicie comunam pastur: ad unum affrum, sex *auveria*, 60 oves ubicunque cum tenentibus meis in villa suo campo de Eston. Habend. &c. Reddendo annuatim unam marcam argenti - - - et faciendo sectam ad Curiam meam de Estone, et inveniando unum hominem per 1 diem in autumpno ad b̄m meum, &c. Warrantiz. Hiis testibus Willo Kaynel, Nicolo Royly, Johanne Phisbeak, Willo le Clerk, et multis aliis. Dat. apud Eston Peres 1333. { die Lunæ xx post Epiphaniam Domini. Anno regni Regis
Ed. III. } Edwardi tertii, a conquestu octavo.

“ Noverint, &c: me Edmundum de Eston Clericum, ordinasse constituisse dilectum meum in Christo Jacobum Hoby de Yatton attornatum meum ad liberandum Hugonem Brown de Eston plenam

seisinam de omnibus terris, &c. in villa de Eston quæ quondam fuerunt Rogeri de Crombale habend: et tenend: prædicto Hugoni Ed. III. ^{20th} { ad totam vitam suam, &c. Dat. Apud Oxon xxv. die Maij; 1345 { Anno Regni Regis Edwardi tertii, post conquestum xx."— Seal a cross engrailed, vide No. 31. inscription illegible.

“Omnibus, &c. Radulphus de Bokelborghe et Isabella uxor ejus salutem. Noveritis nos concessisse, &c. Johanne filie domini Petri de Eston Pyeris militis et hered: &c. totum jus quod habuimus, &c. in vij solidos annuatim redditos, &c. quos Alicia quæ fuit uxor Henrici Wyly nobis solvere consueverit pro uno mesuagio et una virgata terræ que predict. &c. Hiis testibus. Willo Kaynel Rogero de Kaynes, Nicho Royly, Johanne Fyzours, Thoma Bole-
Edw. 3^d. ⁷ { hyde, et aliis. Dat. Eston Pieres die sabatti in festo Phi-
1332. { lippi et Jacobi. anna Edwardi tertii vij.^{mo}.”— (Seal, vide No. 32.)

“Sciunt presentes, &c. quod Ego Robertus - - - Yvelton, miles, dedi, concessi, &c. Johanni Curteys, Rogero Golde, Johanni Milward, Johanni Whiting, Robto Lovering et Willmo Wyly clericus totum Manerium meum de Estone cum terris tenementis et serviciis. Ac etiam omnes alias terras, &c. in Yatton Kaynel in Com. Wilts. dedi etiam iisdem prædictis - - omnia, &c. in manerio meo de Yvelton, Spekynton, Chilton, Yvelchester mere, Cloleygh Hyllerden, Wrentyth, et Neuport in Com. Somerset, habend et tenend prædict. &c. predictis, &c. - - de capitalibus dominis feodi illius pro servicio inde debito, &c. Warrant: Hiis testibus. Johanne Dautesey, milite, Willmo Gore, Thoma Beauchane, Ric^o Mayn, Johe Forde, Roberto

H. 4^a. { Ruly, Will^o. Clericus, et multis aliis. Dat. apud Eston prædict
 1^a. } 1399. { xi^o. die mensis Julii. Anno Regis Henrici quarti, post conquestu primo.—(No. 33.)

“ Noverint, &c. me Thomam Payn Armigerum, consanguineum et heredem Roberti Yvelton militis, attornasse et loco meo possuisse dilectos mihi in Christo Willm Wynterbourne et Philippum Fychet conjunctim et divisim ad deliberandum *vite** et *nocem** meo Johi Payne, Henrico Champeneys, Thome Lykhull et Johanni Cartebyle plenam, &c. seisinam de et in manerio de Eston Peris, in Com. Wilts, cum omnibus, &c. nec non de et in omnibus, &c. in Yatton Kaynel cum ejus pertinenciis, habendum et tenendum eisdem predictis, - - - - secundum formam et effectum cujusdam cartæ per me factam, &c. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum
 H. 6, 22. { apposui. Dat. xx. die Octobris, Anno Regni Regis Hen-
 1443. } rici sexti, post conquestum, xxij^o.—(vide No. 34.—The crest is a kind of Garland.)

“ Omnibus, &c. Petrus de Yvelton salutem. Noveritis me dedisse et concessisse, &c. Nich de Yvelton et Rico filio suo Manerium meum de Eston Peres cum pertinent. in Com. Wilts, una cum omnibus, &c. in Yatton Caynel in eodem Comitatu ac etiam omnia terras, &c. in Spekyngton, † Wryghampton, Yvelton, Mere in parochia de North Cory, Holegh, Wrentyth, Aswell, et Ashford in Com. Somerset - - - - Noveritis etiam me predictum Petrum de Yvelton dedisse, &c. prefatis Nicho et Rico omnia redditus, &c. in manerio meo de Putt, Bratton, Meryot, Puttynghay, et Yvelton juxta Brodehembury in Com: Devon ac etiam omnia terras et tene-

Query

† Wrentyth in Parish of North Cory and Wightlackington, Ashford in the Parish of Ilton; Ashwell in Parish of Ilminster.

menta, habēnd et tenēnd omnia predista maneria terras et tene-
 menta, &c. liberorum quam villanorum reversiones, &c. cum acci-
 derint prefato Nichō et Ricardo filio suo heredibus et assignatis
 eorum in perpetuum de capitalibus dominis feodi illius per servicia
 inde debita, &c. Sub tali tamen condicione quod si contingat
 me prefatum Petrum obire in partibus transmarinis in quas pro-
 fecturus sum quod tunc prefati Nichus et Ricus heredes et assignati
 eorum simpliciter gaudebunt omnia maneria predicta, &c. Et si
 contingat me prefatum Petrum in partes Angliæ redire quod tunc
 bn liceat michi prefato Petro in omnibus predictis manerio, &c.
 ingredi et retinere, &c. Hiis testibus. Edwardo de Cerne, Milite,
 Thoma Ive, Thoma Podeworth, Wm. Spekyngton, Rico Pleysted,
 Johane Messedye, Will. Blake, Hugone Causy, Pho Chapman, et
 Edw. 3. } aliis. Dat: apud Eston Peres, die dominica xx. ante festum
 38. } sancti Mich. Archangeli, Anno Regni Regis Edwardi tertii,
 1361. } post conquestum, tricesimo octavo. (No. 35.)

“ Sciant presentes, &c. quod ego Johannes de Suyfmore, cle-
 ricus, dedi concessi, &c. Johanni Wadham, armigero, Nich^o
 Fraunceys, Johanni Meryfeld, et Will^o Fraunceys omnia terras,
 &c. in Eston Pyers et Yatton in Com. Wiltes habēnd et tenēnd &c.
 prefatis, &c. in perpetuum de capitalibus dominis feodi illius pro
 reddit: &c. Et ego prefatus Johannes Suyfmore contra omnes
 gentes Warrantizabimus, &c. Test: W^{ms}. Paulet, milite, Will^{ms}.
 Edw. 4. } Montagu de Henlegh, Johanne Cullydon, et aliis. Dat. xx.
 4 } die Aug. Anno regni Regis Edwardi quarti, quarto.
 1492. }

“ Noverint, &c. nos Johannem Wadham, armigerum, Nichum

Fraunceys Johannem Meryfeld & W^m. Fraunceys constituisse attor-
 nasse et in loco nostro posuisse---Johannem Peny, Robertum Est-
 broke et W^m. Rede, nostros veros attornatos ad recipiendum pro nobis
 et nomine nostro de Johanne Suyfmore, clerico, plenam et pacificam
 seisinam, &c. de et in omnibus terris, &c. in Eston Pyers et Yatton in
 Com: Wilts: secundum vim formam et effectum cujusdam cartæ ipsius
 Edw. 4. { Johannis Suyfmore, &c. Dat. xx. die Augusti, Anno Regni
 4. { 1402. { Regis Edwardi quarti, primo.

“ Pateat universis, &c. me Thomam Dñum le Camoys cheva-
 lier remississe relaxasse, &c. Robto Yvelton, Chr. her: &c: omnimo-
 das accoes tam personales quam reales quas utriusque predictum
 Robtum habui seu quomodo habere potero a principio mundi
 usque indiem confeccionis presentium. In cujus rei testimonium,
 Ric⁴. 2⁴. { &c: Dat. London in festo Nativitatis Sancti Johannis Bapt:
 20th. { 1396. { Anno Regni Regis Ricardi secundi, post conquestum xx^{mo}.

“ Omnibus Christi fidelibus, &c. Johannes, Prior Prioratus de
 Bruton, Willms Paulet miles, Johes Cheyne de Pynho, Robtus
 Stowell, armigeri; Johes Hugyn, Johes Heyron, et Thomas Hyllyng
 Salutem. Noveritis nos tradidisse dimississe et hoc presenti scripto
 confirmasse Egidio Daubeney militi et Elizabeth uxori ejus
 Maneria de Spekyngton et Eston cum pertinent. in Com. Somerset
 et Wiltes nec non omnia terras et tenementa redd. reversiones, &c.
 in Spekynton et Eston predict. que omnia premissa nos prefat Johes
 Prior, &c. simul cum Johne Suyfmore Clerico et Johanne de Rede
 jam defunct. inter alia nuper habuimus ex dono et feoffamento
 predicti Egidii habend: et tenend: omnia prædicta maneria terras

tenementa, &c. prefato Egidio et Elizabeth et heredibus, &c. ipsius Egidii in perpetuum de capital. dn̄is feodi illius pro redd: et servic: &c. Noveritis nos insuper prefatum prefat: Johem, Priorem, &c. attornasse, deputasse, &c. Walterum Eston et Johannem Knolles nostros attornatos, &c. ad intrand̄ pro nobis et nomine nostro in omnia premissa maneria terras, &c. Et post hujusmodi ingressum ad plenam seisinam et possessionem inde deliberandam prefato Egidio et Elizabeth juxta vim formam et effectum ipsius carte nostre indentat fact. &c. In cujus rei testimonium, &c. Hiis testibus Thome Arundel et Joh̄e Newton militibus. Joh̄e Speke, Joh̄e Wadham, Amisio Ric. 3. (Pawlet Armigeris et multis aliis. Dat. xij die Augusti 1483. Anno Regni Regis Ricardi tertii post conquestum Anglie primo. (Seal No. 36.)

“Omnibus ad quos, &c. Johannes Cromale et Will̄mus Cromale, filius ejusdem Johannis salutem. Noveritis nos prefatum Johannem et Will̄m. remisisse, &c. Thome Payne armigero, heredibus, &c. totum jus et clameum nostrum que habuimus, &c. de et in Manerio de Eston Perys in Com: Wiltes, nec non de et in omnibus terris et tenementis, &c. in villa de Eston Perys predict, cum omnibus suis ubique pertinent: except: uno mesuagio quo dictus Johannes modo inhabitat uno clauso eidem mesuagio adjacente et septem acris terræ dicto messuagio adjacent et pertinent: Ita quod nec nos prefatus Johannes et Will̄ms nec heredes nostri nec aliquis alius per nos seu nomine nostro aliquid jus seu clameum in predict, manerium terras et tenement. &c. nec in aliquo parcello inde de cetero exigere clamare, &c. poterimus et ab omni acc̄oe jure titulo, &c. inde habend:, totaliter sumus exclusi per presentes in

perpetuum. Et nos vero predictus Johannes et Willielmus et heredes nostrum predict: maner: terras tenementa, &c. predicto Thomæ et heredibus, &c. contra omnes gentes Warrantizabimus, &c. in cujus rei testimonium; &c: Hiis testibus; Pho. Barnard, Rico Keynel, Willmo Goore, Edwardo Paternoster, Johē Spondet; Johē H. 6. } Peny, et aliis. Dat. xx die mensis Octobris, anno regni
 22. }
 1484. { regis Henrici sexti, post conquestum xxij°.

Out of the Records.

Rex concessit Radulpho Willughby (inter alia) Manerum de Eston juxta Kington in Com: Wiltes, sibi et heredibus masculis
 1 Ric^d. { de corpore suo, tenend. per servicium militare. An° 1. Ric.
 3. }
 1483. { 3^d. pat. 4. membrana 24.

The last office that was found, was in these words:—

Sciatis manerium sive firme de Easton Peire in Com: Wilts tenent de quo vel quo servicio ignot: et valet per annum 6 libr.

Eston Perys ff: Cur. Thoe Dru Willi Gore Walteri Clerke et alii feoffati cum Extract: Cur: eorundem ibidem tent. xii° die mense Julii Anno R: Henr: Sexti post conquestum sexto.

Homag. present: viz: Willms Kaynell, Johanes Cromhale, Nichus Young, Ricus Hurne, Adam atte Hulle, Willms Fryday, Ricus Alewey et Willms Gaudeby omnes superstites fecerunt dominis
 6. H. { fidelitat: pro terris et tenementis quæ de dominis tenent
 6th. }
 1427. { in Eston predict: et Yatton; præter Johannem Cromhale.

ij^d Item present. q^d Priorissa de Kyngton pro ij vacc: in sepali dominorum
p^b batt

ij^d I. eadem p. i apro et xij porc in Sepali dominorum pⁱ eadem

i^d I. Johane Baylly pro i pullan in Norchynnokes pⁱ Walt: Clerke

ij^d I. Joh: Soghell pro ij Ju^{cia} in Ryland p^b idem

i^d I. Rico Snape de Sevenhampton pro ij Ju^{cia} in blō dnorum pⁱ idem

8^d I. Joh. Read, de Combe pro j equum frē et mā sepa p^b batt

i^d I. Joh: de Consewe

ij^d I. Will: Kaynell p. lx bid. ij in Woldesclos p^b idem

iiij I. Johe Cromhale pro lx bid. in Moremeade p^b idem

ijⁱ I. Willms Gaudeby Jun: pro cc bid. in sepal. dnorum pⁱ Wil: Caynes. &c.
Sm^o: ij^o. xi^o.

Homag ibm venit et present. defalt. ad Adam atte Hulle ij^d
Rici Alewey Willm^o. Gaudeby 10^d in dni mio.

Pr: est toti homag: supvidere et inq'rere ac xx de terris metis et terris
dnicis in diversis locis apparat: per Johem Cromhale ut dicitur 8^o.
v^o. xl^d.

Affur: Nichus Yonge, Ricus Hurne

Pr: est distr: Johem Cromhale ad faciend dnis fidelit: pro terris et
tenem: que de eis tenent & ad solv. Relevium viz. xl^d.

25. H. 6. } Compot: Thome Perbyke a festo Annunciacionis Sancte
1446. { Marie Anno Regni Henr: sexti post conquestum vices-
simo quinto usque ad festum exaltaoionis Sancti Crucis et ab eodem
festo usque ad terminum Sctⁱ Michaelis a festo Sancti Michi usque
ad finem Sc. Michi.

	s	d
Solut: <u>Johi</u> Pety carpynter - - - - -	xiiij	iiiij
It. solut. <u>Thoe</u> Phillips pro stipendiis suis - - - - -	v	—
It. <u>Johi</u> Dupwade pro stipendiis suis - - - - -	iiiij	viiij
It. <u>Walt</u> : Tolpeny pro stipendiis suis - - - - -	iiij	ij
It: <u>Fabro</u> pro diversis ferris fact: ad: avar: et domibus - - - - -	vij	iiiij
It: vicecomit <u>Wilts</u> apud <u>Malmysbury</u> - - - - -	ij	vj
It: <u>Johni</u> Sawear pro falcacionem unius prati ad cay - - - - -	vij	—
It: eidem pro * falcacionem prati pro vij dies cap per diem iiiij ^d	ij	iiiij
It: <u>Johi</u> Browne et W ^{mo} Crede conduct. ad fodi. lapid. et faci- end: sepes - - - - -		xvj
It: in diversis hoibus et mulieribus conduct. ad levandum et faciendum prata et sartulandum - - - - -	iiij	
It: <u>Rico</u> Egowile conduct. ad faciend. howsebandria - - - - -	iiiij	
Et <u>Uxore</u> suo pro factur. casiorum - - - - -		xij
It: <u>Nicho</u> Benet conduct: ad faciend. et amputand: sepes - - - - -	ix	ix
It: <u>Johi</u> Tylus conduct: ad teguland. unam domum - - - - -	xiiij	iiiij
It: <u>Rico</u> Egovile pro factur: unius domus vocat Shephouse - - - - -	ij	vj
It: <u>Johi</u> Sawear cum sociis suis conduct: in autumpno ad falcand: - - - - -	iiiij	iiiij
Et pro operariis conduct: ad levand. Morenu. domi. - - - - -		vj
In cottag. domicil. In carnibus xvj ^d . In Pisis ij ^o . In Casis xij ^d . It in candelis viij. Et do modij farinæ vi ^d . In carnibus bouum xv ^d .		

De Recepcionibus.

Prædictus Thomas recepit de m^o suo a finem Annunciacionis

St^t Mich^a † ho de Rokeborue apud - - - xxxviij vij

• Mower 4d a day.

† Query.

It: recepit pro tribus vitulis vendit. vi ^l . sic arp			
It: recepit Johē Cromale pro redd: pro terr Anunc: S ^m M: - ij			ij
It: de eodem pro termino St ⁱ Joh: Bap ⁱ . - - - -			xx
It: recepit de Johē Coopre red: pro terr: St ^e Mich: - - ij			vj
It: recepit pro pells omns venditis - - - -			xvj

It: recepit pro iiij bestiis vendit xxx^l : viii^d sic arp & vendit:

It: recepit pro uno bove vendit pro xi^l. sic arpat et vendit.

Alloc. eidem Thome et socio suo pro ij dies carta diet. bosc ad fetum vj^d.

Alloc. eandem ad equitandum Robem semel pro pists verso quadragesimali cum ij equis et ad aliam vicem entifecan m^o fact: de carpentario xij^d.

Hii sūt casii fact anno superscript. videlicet v^{xx}.v. libat ad Rokeborne ad diversas bis m^{xx}.v. Item in expens: de casiiis apud maner: de Eston * ho As xlviij. It: pro decimis xiiij^d. Item alloc. clerico pro stipcon iiij^d. Item Thomas subscriptus recep: de m^o suo apud Rokeborne die dominica ad finem st^e Luce hoc anno - - vij^l. ij^d.

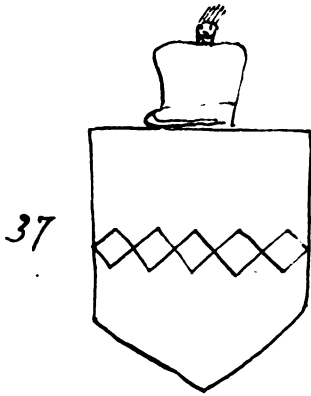
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* Query.

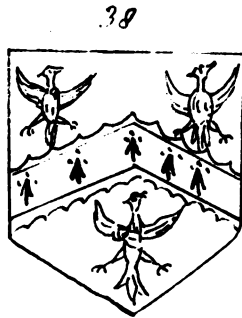
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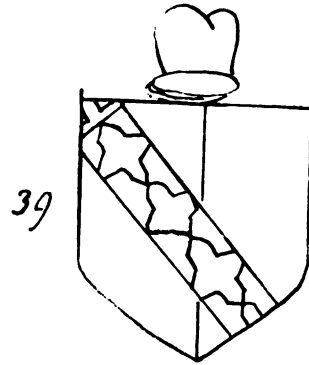
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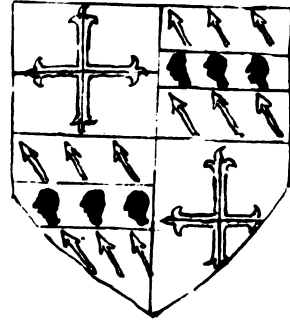


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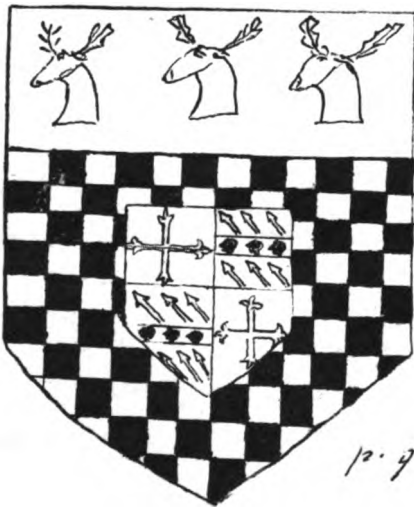
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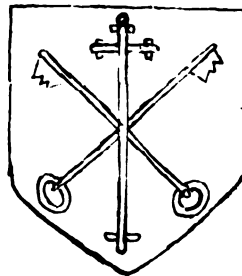


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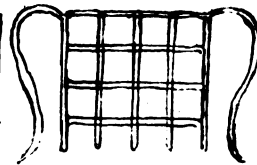


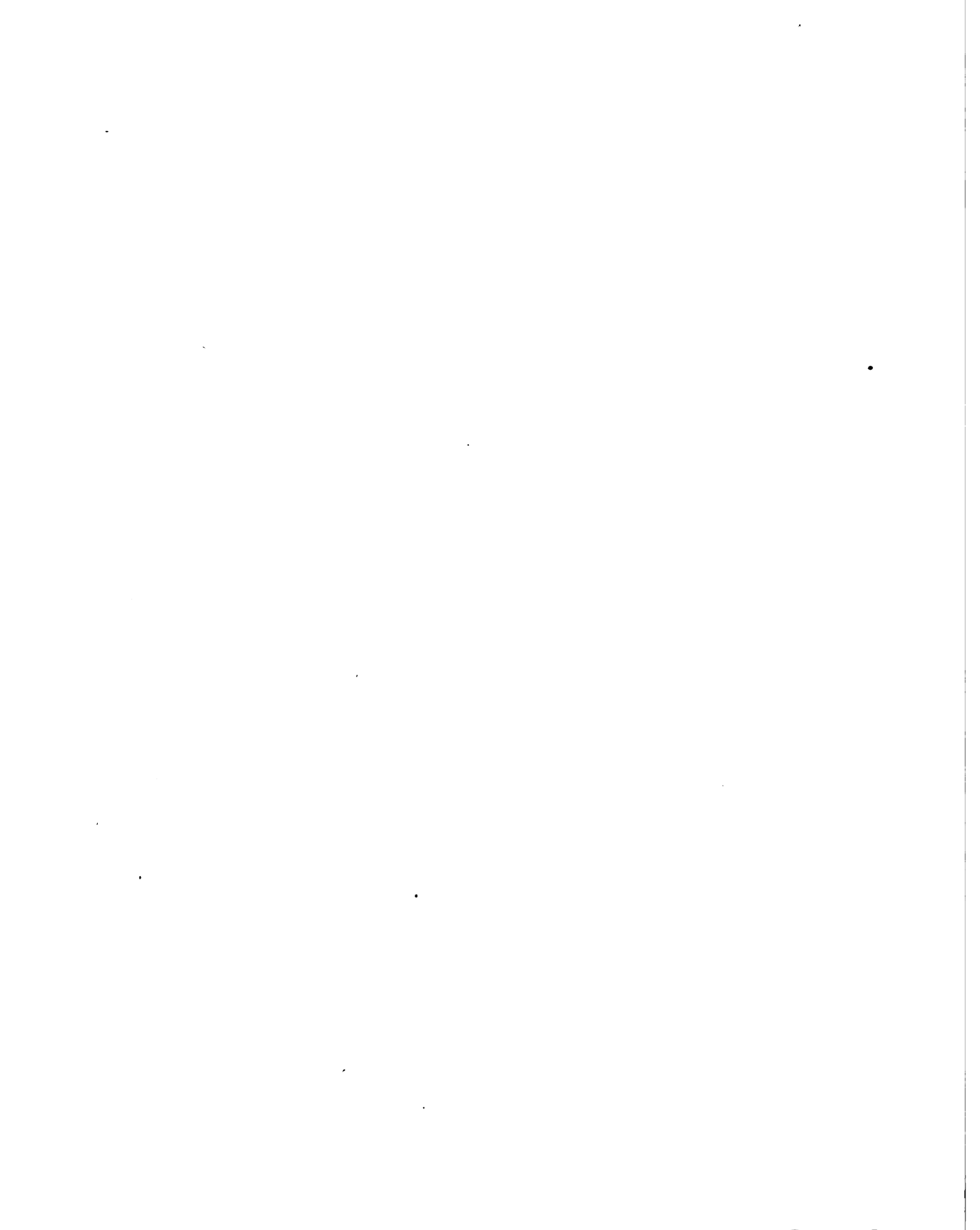
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xij^d. Mem: de diversis bestiis liband: a manerio de Rokeborne ad diversas vices vilt xxvij. Mem: de tribus bibus pleg: idem. Item. for tack nayles iij^d. It: pro sale hempto viij^d.

Note to the deed dated H. 4. 1. p. 56. This Evelton is but 2 miles from Lytes Cary in Somerset; 'tis not improbable that the Lytes of Easton might originally come from thence; they have held it by lease time out of mind, and might take their first lease from this family, and might relate to him as Steward.—Vide the pedegree if any kindred between Lyte and Yevelton.

Old ways now lost, but some vestiges left.

Anciently a way from the gate at the brook to Yatton Key-nell: another by the pound and Mannor howse, leading to Legh de la mere, and southwards to Allington, but of that now no sign left.

Old W^m. Kington assures me that his house (viz. in the Priory Downe, by the spring by the brook) was built long before he was borne; that it was built for a Mill for the Nunnes of the Priory.

37. H. 7. Arms of Daubeny. G. a fess lozengy A.

Lord Daubeny sold Easton Pierse to - - - - - Essex - - - - -

38. Anno - - - - - Arms of Essex, Az. chev. eng. Erm. bt. 3 eagl. disp. A.

Essex sold it to the Lord Th. Buckhurst, anno -----
 39. Arms of Buckhurst, per cross O. and G. a bend vaire.

Thomas Lord Buckhurst sold Easton Pierse to John and Thomas Light. The deed of purchase beareth date November the sixth, in the sixteenth year of the reigne of Queen Elizabeth. The price was -----

The 12th day of December, in the seaventeenth yeare of the raigne of Q. Elizabeth, John Light and Thomas Light, of Easton Pierse, within the parish of Kington St. Michael, in Com. Wiltes, for and in the consideracion of the sume of six score and ten pounds of lawful money of England, granted, bargained and sold to Nicholas Light, of Leigh de la mere, Com. prædict. and his heirs for ever, 2 closes called the Wheate closes, 34 acres +- — bourding N. upon the lands of Hen. Cromwell. And the upper part of one close of pasture called Young's Leaze, by the Wheat closes, xx acres +- — and ij acres of arable land parcell of the sayd mannor or farme lying on the comon fields of Yatton Keynell.* Testibus, Nichus Snell, Esquire, John Snell, Will. Bayliff, John Taylor, Clerke, John Reade, Richard Light, Isaac Tayler, and Bartholomew Bayliffe.

This Indenture, made the first day of January, in $\frac{e}{s}$ xvij year of Queen Elizabeth, Between John Lighte and Thomas Light of

* Now in the possession of Ben. Hine.

Easton Perce, parish of Kington St. Michael, gent. of the one part, and John Snell, gent. and Thomas Snell his sonne and heire apparent, ~~Witnesseth~~ that the said John and Thomas Light, in consideration of the sume of *three Hundred fourscore five pounds*, lawful money, paid by the said Jo. and Thomas Snell, at or before the ensuing quarter, doe bargain and sell, &c. unto Thomas Snell and his heirs for ever, all that their Seyte and Capitall Messuage of the Manor or Farm of Eston aforesayd, with all the lands expressed by name, and the Rent of *vj^s viij^d* of it of their Cromwell's lands: and the seyde John and Thomas Snell do covenant to and with the said John and Thomas Light, that they John and Tho. Snell shall pay and doe all manner of accustomed chief Rents and services for the Mannor of Easton Perce and premises sold by the Lord Buckherst. Testibus Nichus Snell, W^m. Bayliff, Jo. Tayler, Bartholomew Baylyffe, Isaach Tayler, Rich^d. Light, John Reade, Richard Tanner, Nicholas Reade, Nich^s. Light and others.

The old Mannour Howse was pulled down and rebuilt, all, (except the Hall, whose window is of a peculiar old fashion) An^o. Dnⁱ. 1630. Here was an open old fashioned Kitchen with a huge Chimney.

When my grandfather Thomas Lyte sold the mannor howse with the lands near it, he built the howse on the browe of the Hill above the Brooke facing the south east.

Here, in my grandfather's chamber (where in an ill hour I first drew my breath, Saturn directly opposing my ascendant) in the chimney, are these two escutcheons. Over the 1st shield is "Isaac Lyte, natus 1576," over the 2nd "Israel Lyte." It was built the same year my G^d father was born.

40. G. chev. bt. 3 swans A. a mullet S. for difference.
41. An eagle displ. S. legged G. on its breast a crescent O.

Pedegree of Essex.

William Essex, Lord
Treasurer, and of the
Privy Council, about
Hen. 8th. = - - - - -

Sir Thomas Essex. = - - - Daughter of the
Lord Sands.

Tho. Essex, Esqr. = - - - - - Daughter of
called Black Tom. S^r. Rob^t. Browne, of
Northamptonshire.

Thomas Essex, Esqr. = - - - - - Daug. of Mr.
Harrison, a Jeweller.

Sr. W^m. Essex, K^t. = - - - - - Daug. of S^r.
and Baronet. Walter Harcourt, of
Staunton Harcourt, in
Oxfordshire.
Arms, G. 2 bars O.

Sr. Thomas Essex, K^t.
and Baronet. He was
Gover^r. of Bristowe for the
Part. under E. of Essex.
A Bachelor.

Arms of Essex, Quarterly.

1. Essex, as before.
2. S. chev. A. bt. 3 crescents,
Erm.
3. G. a fleur de lys A.
4. Per fess dancette, A. and G.
5. Ermine.

**The Hundred of Damerham North, viz. Kington, St.
Michael, Epian Malford, Grittleton, Nettleton.**

Mem: that all the Lands that belonged to the Abbey of Glas-
ton, in this Countie, were within this Hund: of Damerham, which
for convenience sake is divided into two parts, viz. Damerham
South and North.

Kington St. Michael.

In the East Window of the Chancel are 3 figures, Vide No. 42.
and inscription underneath, in 3 several columns.

1 st Columne	2d	3d
Thomas Nye - - - - Orate p̄ aīa Thome Nye et salute mentis et corporis	Dn̄ae Cristīnae Nye Margaretæ ux̄or. ejus aīab̄. parentum puerorū	- - - - omne amicorū et - -

On a scroll issuing from the mouth of Thomas Nye is this inscription. **Sancta . . . miserere mei**, from Christina Nye **Ihu x̄p̄c̄m̄**, **miserere mei** from the 3rd a female figure, **Sancte Johannes Evangelista** **ora pro nobis**.

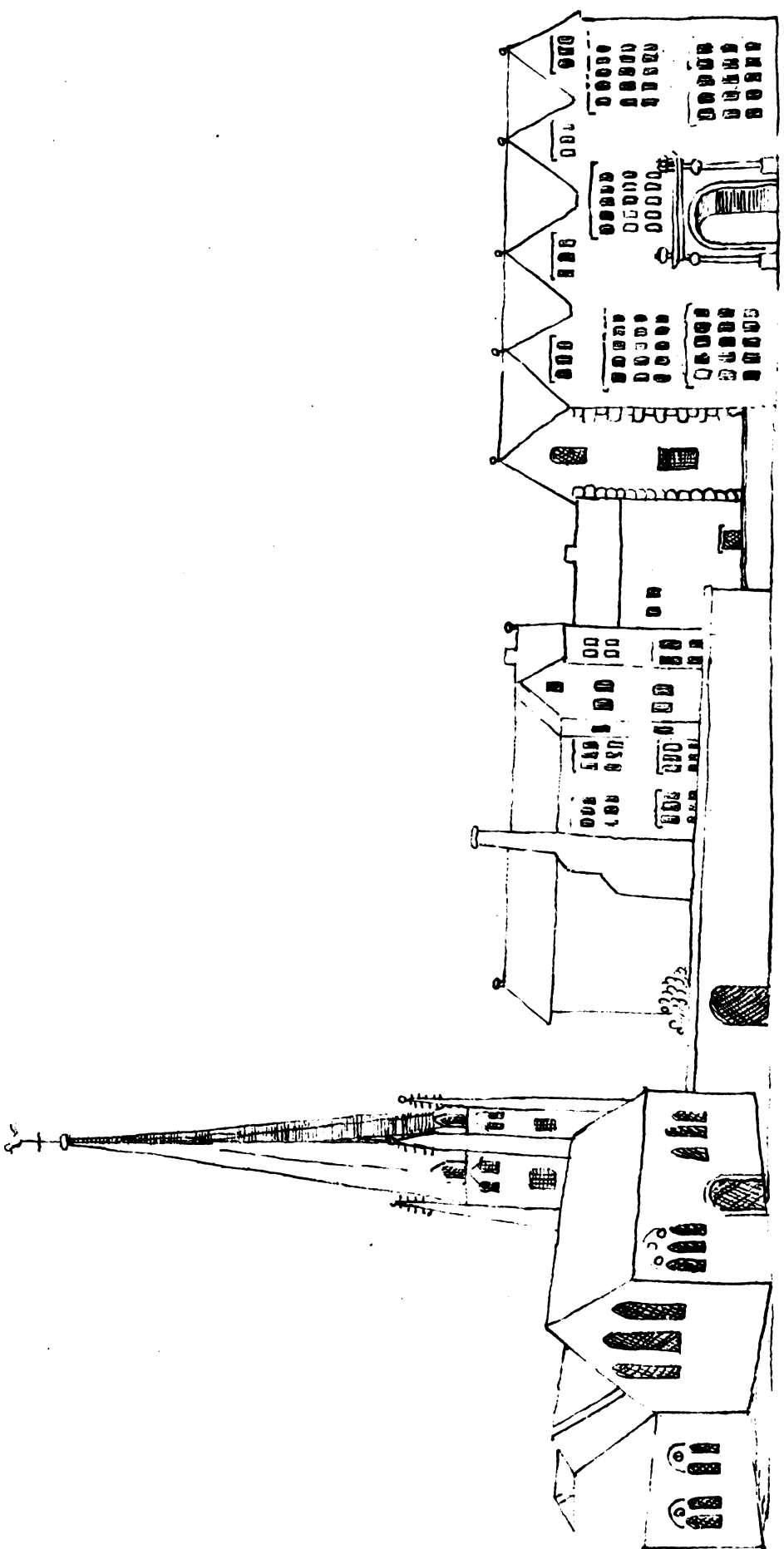
↳ V. along roll of parchment which Mr. Thos. Stokes shewed me, wherein is mentioned this, Dominus Thomas Nye, which name is still in Sussex, and some antiquities of them, v. Surry MSS: the foresaid roll will shew about what King's reigne He was here. I believe by this windowe it was in H. 6th. Mem: Judge Littleton is pourtrayed on his Monum^t. at Worcest^r. Ch: in this habit in brasse, as is to be seen before S^r Edw^d. Coke's Comment: He lived in the Reigne of K - - - -

In the middle of the Chancell.

“ Here underneath this stone lieth interred the body of S^r. Charles Snell Knight, who, deceased the 24th. day of November in the year of our Lord 1651, aged 61.



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Near to Him,

Here under this stone lyeth the bodie of the late Dame
 Jane Englefield widowe of S^r. Francis Englefield
 Baronet deceased eldest daughter of Anthony
 Browne Esq^r. eldest sonne to Henry Lord Viscount
 Mountague of Cowdray in the County of Sussex, this
 - - - - d . e - - - - departed this life - - - -
 - - - - ententh of September in the year of our Lord
 1650 aged 75 years. Of your charitie say one Ave
 and a Pater-noster.

In the South east corner lieth the body of my Father, under a
 stone thus inscribed, and now almost out.

Hic jacet quod reliquum est Richardi *Awbrey*
 Armigeri, qui obiit 22 die mensis Octobris. MDCLII.

About the West End of the Chancel.

Here lyeth the body of Dorythy late wife of M^r.
 Thomas Tyndale and daughter of William Stafford Esq^r.
 who departed this life upon the twentieth day of
 July 1664. aged neer 72.

Here lieth the body of Thomas Tyndall Esq^r. who departed this life
 the thirteenth day of February 1671, aged 84 years, and seaven months.

Arms, A. on fess G. bt. 3 garbs S, a martlet A. impaling O,
 chev G. and canton Erm.

Memento Mori.

“ Under these two stones lye the
 bodies of Nicholas Gastrell gent.
 who departed this life the first and

was buried the 2^d day of February, in the year of our Lord 1662 and aged 83 yeares and seven moneths.

Also the body of Mary his wife who departed this life the 22^d and was buried the 23 day of October in the year of our Lord 1661, aged 73 yeares and 5 months."

Arms, vide No. 43. The Crest is a lion's head Or, with a garland Vert, about his neck.

In the East windowe under the Escutcheon is this inscription.

In Memoria Caroli Snell, Militis, Qui obiit 1651.

In the South Aisle.

- In the ceiling, which is painted and gilt in pannells of Plaister,
44. Snell quartered with Keynell. Keynell's coat should be Sable and not Azure. The Crest is a demy Talbot Arg'.
 45. Arms of the Pope. 2 keys in Saltire and a cross in pale.
 46. Azure, a stag at gaze, Or.
 47. A portcullis, Or.
 48. (Qu.) a Marshall's bolt, Or.

In this aisle lies buried John Power of this parish, a practitioner in Phisique, who was buried 1647. By him lyes his Brother Zachary, both sine prole. An. - - - -

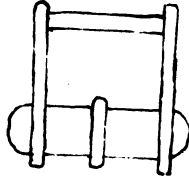
In the middle aisle, under the great stone, the Inscription whereof is now no signe left lyes Isaac Tayler of the Priory, brother to - - - - Tayler, Vicar.

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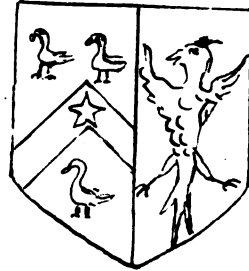
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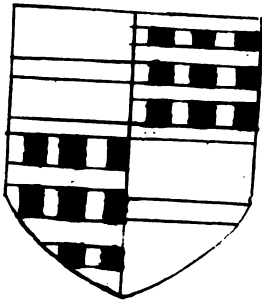


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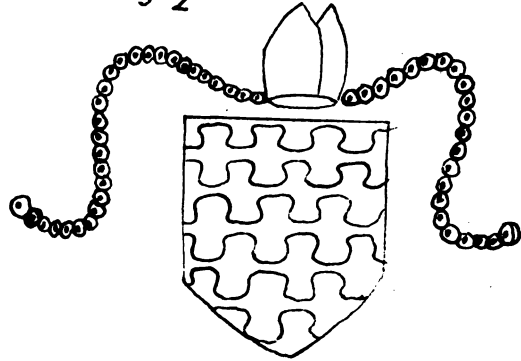


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By the Font lies buried Mr. Thomas Lyte of Easton Pierse
 Father of Isaac Lyte my honoured Grandfather. The Iss: is now
 quite obliterated, he was buried May 13th Anno Dñi 1627, Ætat: 96.

By him, under a black marble, lyeth his sonne Isaac with this
 Iss:

P.M.

ISAACI LYTE de Easton Pierse, Gen:

Uxorem habuit Israel, Filiam

Thomæ Browne de Winterbourne Basset, Gen:

convixit illi annos LII.

Obijt anno ætatis suæ octogesimo tertio.

Feb. xxi. MDCLIX.

Posuit Johannes Awbrey.

Arms G. on chev bt 2 swans A. a mullet S. Lyte, impaling A.
 an eagle displayed S. on its breast a crescent O: Browne.

In the north aisle under our seate lies buried my dear Grand-
 mother, Mrs. Israel Lyte, on a stone which is under the seate thus.
 M. S. Israel Lyte, relictæ Isaaci Lyte de Easton Pierse, quæ obijt --
 die Feb: A°. Dñi 1661.

If it shall please God to enable me, I intend to sett up this
 following Inscription in a decent white marble.

Here lies the body of M^{rs}. Israel Lyte, daughter of
 Tho: Browne of Winterborne-Basset, Gent. the Relict of
 Isaac Lyte of Easton-Pierse, Gent. with whom she lived - - - -
 years; a modest and sober matron; pious and charitable; an
 excellent menagere; delighting to be at home yet hospitable

within her bounds to admiration, having by him only one
 Daughter, Deborah, the wife of Richard Awbrey, of Burleton,
 in Herefordshire Esq: Survived her husband 2 years, and rendered
 her Soule to God in peace: the 24 day of Feb: in the yeare
 of her age 83, of our Lord, 1661.

John Awbrey, her Grandson, in duty to^s memory of
 her tenderness and dilligence in his Education
 hath placed this Monument.

In a windowe of the south aisle in two columnes is a King
 sitting, and a Queen in an inclining posture, which, when I was a
 boy, I was told it was King Ethelred and Queen: but finding in
 the Leiger Book of Glastonbury that they lived here and gave their
 Mannor of Kington and Langley to that abbey, I cannot conclude
 whose else it should be, it being a common fashion in those days,
 to place in the windowes the Effigies of pious Benefactors, for ex-
 amples to stirr up others. It is not unlikely that this was the King
 that first built the church after Christianity was here in use.

Mem: In the Chancell windowe, which is over my father's
 grave, was, when I was a boy, the greater part remayning of
 the Picture of the Lady Bodenham, in her cope and robes, who
 gave that windowe; in the Limbe *Orate pro aia (vel bono statu)*
domine Cecile Bodenham Priorressa que hanc fenest. - - -

M: my father and mother are buried in the south east angle of
 the Chancell. I do hope to live so long to erect a little Inscription
 of white marble to the Memory of my father about an ell high or
 better.

P. M.

Richardi Awbrey Armig. filii
 unici Johannis Awbrey de Burlton

in agro Heref: filii tertii Gulielmi
 Awbrey L. L. D. et e Supplicum
 libellis. Eliz. Reg. Mag^r: Viri Pacifici &
 fidelis amici. Uxorem duxit Deborah
 Filiam et heredem Isaaci Lyte de
 Easton Pierse, per quam suscepit tres
 superstites. Johannem Guliel-
 mum et Thomam filios. Obiit xxi
 die Oct^r An^o { Dni 1652
 { Ætat: 49.

Over the Key-stone of the arch of the south dore is a head crowned, which I guess to be King Etheldred, whose seate this was. Also a gothick arch over the North Door:—the like door is at the Priory chapell.

Kington was called Kington Monachorum or Kington Moine. I guess Michael Abbot of Glastonbury dedicated it to Michael the Archangel, and built the steeple, and I believe did sett the spire upon the old Tower which is too weak, and cracks and will shortly fall. The Tower is by the windowes much older than the spire. Mem: Michael Abbot of Glaston: lived in the time of Henry the 3^d. 27. & an: Dom: 1243. The fashion of the windowes of the Church speake this King's Reigne.

The Mannor howse at Kington was the Lord Abbot's Graunge. It was bought by - - - Snell, the Abbot's Reve, who payed halfe the money to the King, the arears he kept in his hands, foreseeing the Fall of the Abbeyes.

N— S. new built the howse. The white rose within the Red common in those days, and the cognizance of the Queens of England common in the 2 Queens dayes, viz. a Phœnix O on a Tower A.

N. Snell gave the Chalice. No Inscription, but on the cover of it is the crest of Snell, viz. a demy Talbot.

The Register book here (which is one of the fairest in the countrey) began the 6th day of October $\overline{\text{An. Dni}}$ 1563: written by John Tayler, then Vicar, who was buried 1580; the next vicar was - - - Fawkenor, who dyed - - -

May 4th. 1582. a Plague began, and rested $\frac{7}{8}$ 6th of Aug^r following; most that dyed were the Family of the Kingtons.

S^r Thomas Snell was buried the 2^d day of September, 1612, and lies interred in the middle of the Chancell. He was a good Astrologer; understood Navigation; was a Captain in the Island-voyage. **Mr. Richard Hine** succeeded **Mr. Fawkenor**, here above 50 yeares. **Mr. John Ferris** succeedeth him.

Inscription on the Bells.

On the great Bell, **SANCTE MICHAEL ORA PRO BJS.** He meant Sancte Michael ora p nobis.

The second and first Bells were cast 1618 and 1620.

Here was a daintie little bell 1600, stolen about 1649. Not long after the little Bell at Sutton Benger was stolen too.

One Adam Milsham an old wealthie batchelour who was born in this parish gave the clock and chimes and £10 to the parish, the interest to pay for the looking to them. A smith was clerk in the troublesome times, and converted the iron of the chimes to his own use; the clock the Parish hath got lately again.

In the Church Yard.

Under the tombe by the Ch: porch lies Adam Milsham, afore-said: the Iss. now illegible, he died - - - 1642. Cito pede preterit ætas. Near this lye the bodies of Richard Hine, Clerke, and Anne, his wife. He was Vicar of this Parish 50 years and upwards, and buried the 28th. day of Aug^r. 1663, being aged 78 yeares. She was buried the 30th of Jan^r. 1666, being aged 73 yeares.

Spe Resurrectionis simul obdormiunt.

In the Ch: Y^d. S. side. thus

1664.

Under this Tombe here doth reside, as you may well remember;

The bodie of Simon Neck, who dyed the 4th of November.

His age was 78 yeares, then his wife was 59,

Who dyed the last of May 47, and here she doth lye by him.

Under a stone, now illegible,

Lies honest old John Wastfield, a freeholder at Langley in this parish. He dyed above 80 yeares of age, about 1644.

Old ---- Woodroof of ----- gave by his Will 166 -----
and --- every year to the vicar here to preach an anniversary
sermon.

The Crosse stood at the Y going to the Priory. In those
dayes here was a little market Frydays for fish, eggs, butter, and
such small geare. Perhaps chiefly for the Nunnes. On Michael-
mas day, here is a Faire much resorted unto by the young people,
famous for ale and stubble geese.—q: when the first charter for it
was granted.

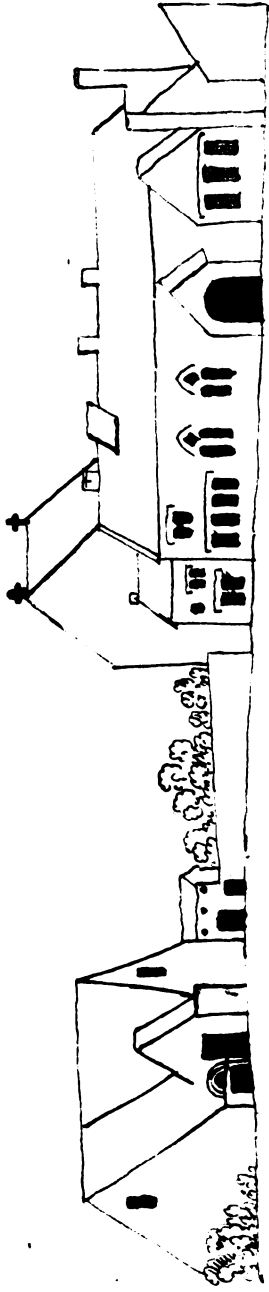
Priorie of St. Maries.

This is a very pleasant seate, and was a fine Nunnery wherin
were - - Nunnes; they were Benedictines: and under the Jurisdic-
tion of Glaston: Mrs. Tyndale has told me that it was Maud the
Empress was the foundress: In the Legier book of this howse I
cannot find who founded it, nor get the favour (tho no danger) to
see the donacon. Mr. Shewin hath bought this estate.

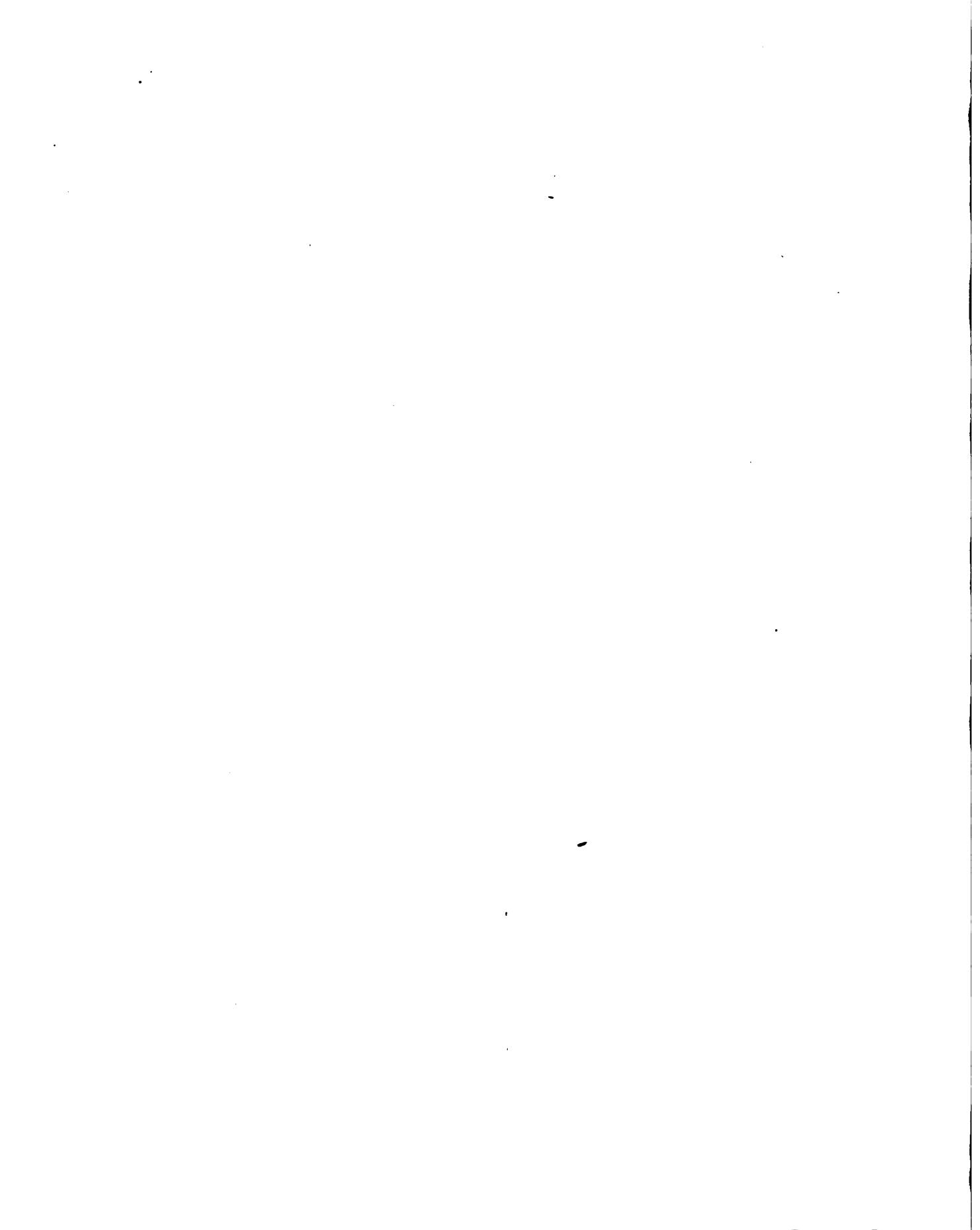
The Coppice, and that ground between Easton Pierse and
this place was given out of the wood close by S: John de Eston, to
the Nunnes here, to pray for his soule, & of his wife & children.

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Prison of St. Maries.



Below this wood, on the other side of the Rivulet, is a little meadow, called the Minchin, which word in old English is a Nunne: so Mincing Lane in London, where was a Nunnery. On the east side of the house is a ground facing the east, and the delightfull prospect on the south east, called the Nymph-hay. Here old Jaques (who lived on the other side) would say, he hath seen 40 or 50 nunnes, in a morning, spinning with their *Rocks and Wheeles* and hobbin; he said the number of them was often 70: he might not be mistaken perhaps in the number of women: for there might be as many lay sisters and pensioners as Nunnes; but Nunnes not so many. Their last Priest was Parson Whaddon, whose chamber is that on the right hand of the porch, with the old fashioned chimney. Mortimer Earl of March was a great Benefactor here.

In the parlour windowe was (and in the Buttrey yet) the coat of Bodenham & - - - -

Vide 44. Azure, a fess Or. quartering G. 3 bars cheky A. and S.
45. G. 3 bars nebule O. above the coat a Mitre.

Mem: at Foffent church in this county is this coate, but with barry of six cheky. . . . and G. She was Prioress of a little nunnery there and built the S. aisle of the church where her coate is;—perhaps she might be preferred thither. Mem: the Lord Lovells coate was barry of 6, nebule O. and G. Mem: in Mr. Withies ordinary Barry of 6 Nebule Or and G. is by the name of Basset; but Lovell's coate of Bucks is the same, with a canton ermine. Ralph

Basset and Tho: Basset port. Undeè gold and red. Sr. W. Dugdale's usage of bearing of armes, p. 19.

In divers pannells of glass about this howse are these letters **B. D.** The Lady Cicilie Bodenham was Ladie Prioress here. The last Lady Prioress was the Lady Mary Dennys of Gloucestershire: this Lady Dennys lived a great while after the Reformation, and died within the memory of man in Somersetshire.

In the Chapell (which was very fayre) is neither glass, chancel nor monument remayning. Formerly, and lately, in the garden (where chancel and consecrated ground was) have been digged up séverall coffins of freestone: and one stone was found of about two foote diameter, to what use it served I could never learn, it was about the thickness of a grinding stone, having in the center on one side a heart held between two hands: it was found at the foot of a grave, in which there was found a chalice.

Mem: in the Leiger booke is mention of Eleanor - - - Priorissa.

Moresull in this parish belonged to this Priory.

In Kington Parke is a well called *Marian's Well*. Here is a noble Carp Pond of about - - - acres. This Park was, before the Reform: in common to the Lord Abbott's Tenants.

Extracts* out of the Leiger-booke of Glastonbury, in the hands of Ralph Sheldon, Esq^r. of Beoly: called Secretum Domini.

* This Extract should have been put before the Priory.

Carta Athelstani Regis.

Facta Athelino ministro suo de Kington.

(After a flourishing pious introduction according to the fashion of those times) “ Ego Ethelstanus Rex anglorum per omnipotentis dexteram totius britanniae regni solio sublimatus quandam telluris particulam meo fideli ministro Athelino, id est, Quindecim cassatarum in loco quem *Sohcole* vocitant, libenter tribuo, ut ille eam sine jugo exosae servitutis cum pratis pascuis silvis rivulis omnibusque ad eam utilitatibus rite pertinentibus quam diu vivat habeat, et post suae decessionis transitum cuicumque voluerit heredi liberaliter et eternaliter contradendo in perpetuum derelinquat. Si quis autem quod absit aliquis tipo supercilii turgens hanc meae donationis breviculam in modicis sive in magnis elidere vel infringere temptaverit, sciat se novissima examinationis die classica archangeli clangente buccina cum Juda proditore, qui a satoris pio sato filius perdicionis dicitur, impiisque et infidelibus Christum ore sacrilego in ara crucis mundi diluentem crimina, eterna confusione edacibus favillantium tormentorum flammis periturum. Hujus namque a Deo Dominoque Ihesu Christo inspirante atque innuente voluntatis cedula anno dominicae incarnationis DCCCCXXXIII indiccione septima epacta xiiij concurrente ij Idus Septembris luna xxix, in Villâ quae Bukingham dicitur, tota magnatorum generalitate sub ulnis regie dapsilitatis ovanti, perscripta est, cujus etiam inconcussae firmitatis auctoritas. Hiis testibus roborata constat quorum nomina subtus deputata amictantur. ✠ Ego Athelstanus singularis privilegii gerarchiae predictus Rex hujus acumen indiculi cum signo sancte semperque adorandae crucis corroboravi et

et subscripsi ✠ Ego Constantinus subregulus consensi et subscripsi, cum multis aliis.”

Carta Ethelredi Regis facta Monasterio Glastingensi de Kingtone.

After the introduction, thus, “Ego Athelredus gracia Dei sublimatus Rex et Monarchus *totius insulæ brittanniæ*, quoddam predium, id est, xl mansas, cum pratis silvisque quod dicitur Kingtone, Deo ejusque venerabili genitrici semper virgini Mariæ ad monasterium Glastingensem devotus admodum in perpetuam possessionem donando donari, quod quidem predium quondam Elswith conjux Elphegi ducis digno plenoque pretio a gloriosissimo rege Edgaro cum xl puri auri emit *mancusis*. Hanc autem prefatam donationem subscripsi predii prefato monasterio perpetuâ libertate concessi, eo scilicet tenore ut venerabilis ibidem abbas cum grege digne Deo degens habeat ac possideat quamdiu fides in anglorum catholica permanserit plebe. Si quis igitur hanc nostram donationem in aliud quam constituimus transferre voluit privatus consentio sancti Dei ecclesiæ eternis baratri incendiis lugubris jugiter cum Judâ Christi perditore ejusque complicitibus puniatur si non satisfaccione emendaverit congrue, quod contra nostrum deliquit decretum. Hæc autem cedula scripta est anno ab incarnatione dñi A. D. { nostri Jhesu Christi dccccclxxxvij, indicione xv. Hiis 987. { testibus consencientibus quorum nomina inferius scripta cernuntur. ✠ Ego Athelredus Rex Anglorum hujus donacionis libertatem regni totius fastigium tenens libenter concessi. ✠ Ego

Dunstan archiepiscopus Darnarvensis ecclesie cum signo sancte crucis confirmavi ✠ Ego Oswald Eboracensis civitatis archipresul crucis signo annotavi.

Cirographum inter Abbatem Glaston: et Robertum de Haywode de quâdam terra in Kington, quam Will'. le Wayte de Chippenham dedit abbati de Malmesburie.

Omnibus, &c. Robertus de Haywode salutem. Noverit universitas nostra quod cum Willelmus le Wayte de Chippenham et Editha uxor ejus dederunt &c, religiosis viris Abbati et conventui de Malmesbury XX, et unam acram et dimid. et unam perticatam terræ in Kingtone prout in carta, &c. et predictam terram eisdem religiosis concessam per cartam meam pro me et heredibus et assignatis meis confirmaverim. Habendam et tenendam de dominis meis abbati et conventui Glastonie in pura et perpetua elymosyna, ac iidem Willielmus et Editha regale servicium quantum pertinet ad tantam terram, michi solvere consuevissent, obligavi me et heredes et assignatos meos per presentem cartam predictam dominis abbati et conventui Glastonie tanquam capitalibus dominis feodi illius, ad solvendum eisdem regale servicium quando currit relevium plenum tam de predicta terra quam de terra mea propria quando acciderit per decessum meum vel heredum meorum et ad faciendum omnia secularia servicia tam regalia quam alia pro predicto abbate et conventu de Malmesbur. non obstante alienacione facta de terra predicta. In cujus rei testimonium, &c. Hiis testibus Dominis Galfrido de Wroxale, Reginaldo Burel, Henrico

de Cerne, militibus, Ricardo Horne, Adám Harding, Rogero de Caynes, et aliis." (This was in the time of John by the divine providence Abbot of Glaston: who granted to the Abbey of Malmesbury free ingresse, so that they did not overstock to the
 A. D. } damage of the Convent of Glaston:) Dat. quarto Nonas
 1285 } Aprilis Anno Dni. MCCLXXXV.

Carta Willielmi de Haywode de una acra terræ in Kingtone abbati Glastonie.

Omnibus, &c: Willielmus de Haywode Salutem. Quia clamacio per se et heredes dominis Rogero Abbati Glaston: et conventui ecclesiæ Glaston: totius juris in una acra terre arrabilis cum pertinentiis in *Kington Monachorum*, viz. in illa que jacet inter terram persone de Kingtone et croftam Rogeri Morini et extendit se versus orientem et versus occidentem. Testibus Domino Johanne de Eston, Jordano filio Ursi, Ricardo Marescallo, Fitzurs et multis aliis.

Mem: The Toft of William Haywod's howse is yet visible in Haywood; and not far from it in a ditch a well called Marians well. Mem: the Germans call July heumond, heu is seare, as we retain hew, as to hew a piece of timber. This month being so called for that then they cutt their grass to make hay, which word comes from hew, and so likewise heywood, is as much as to say Bois taille, or Coppice-wood, q^d. N. B.

Quieta clamacio Willielmi de Haywode Rogero abbati Glaston :
 in iiij acris terre in campo orientale de *Kington Monachorum*,
 quarum tres acre jacent in la West-dene inter culturam ipsius
 abbatis ex parte una et quendam cursum aque ex parte altera. Et
 una jacet in la Estdene ad finem acræ quam aliquando Hugo le
 Wodeward tenuit, juxta predictum cursum aquæ, &c. Hiis testibus
 Domino Johanne de Eston, Johanne de Abbotestone,* Jordano
 de Fitzurs, Roberto Curteys, et aliis.

Quieta clamacio Willielmi la Wayte de Chippenham de qui-
busdam exitibus in manerio de Kington.

Noverint, &c. quod cum Willielmus la Wayte de Chippenham
 peteret per duo brevia Domini Regis quod Robertus Abbas Glas-
 ton : permetteret ei habere iiij exitus versus boscum ipsius abbatis
 de Haywode in manerio suo de Kingtone per medium quoddam
 fossatum quod est inter boscum predictum et quasdam croffas quas
 habet prædictus Willielmus de tenemento quod fuit aliquando
 Willielmi de Haywode ut posset habere chimum ad carriandum
 blada sua &c: tandem amicabiliter convenientur inter eos festo St.
 1270. { Michaelis An: Dni. M.C.C.LXX. et anno Regni Regis
 54. { Henrici filii Regis Johannis LIII. viz. quod predictus
 H. 3. { Willielmus remisit, &c. quod duo medii exitus clausi et obstructi
 remaneant inperpetuum et pro hac concessione abbas, &c. concessit
 quod predictus Willielmus et heredes habeant inperpetuum duos

* Perhaps Bitstone.

exitus tantum versus boscum predict: per medium predicti fossati, viz. unum exitum de Crofta que vocatur la Wyk et alium exitum de Crofta quam Walterus de Haywode olim tenuit de predicto Willielmo de Haywode. Testibus Domino Galfrido Foliot, Johanne de Estone, Sampson de la Boxe, militibus, Ric: Herne, Martino de Pedworth, et aliis.

Processus quomodo Jordanus filius Ursi recognovit feodum militis et dimid: in Swinleigh, Cloptone, et Langleygh.

1243. Memorandum quod MCCXLIII Michael Abbas Glaston: fecit distringere Adam et Roisiam de Clopcot per ballivos suos de Kingtone, ad solvendum ei scutagium de feodo unius militis quod ipsi tenent de Honore Glastonie in Clopcote et Swineleghe de scutagio, viz. concesso dno regi ad transmetacionem suam in Vasconiam anno ipsius Regis xxvj. et cum distringerentur predicti Adam et Roisie venerunt et ostenderunt se solvisse dictum scutagium de feodo predicto Jordano filio Ursi de Langeleghe, et quod illud feodum de eodem tenent imediate; et ipse Jordanus de abbate Glastonie. Postea venit abbas et distringere facit ipsum Jordanum ad solvend: scutag: predictum de eodem feodo et de dimidio ffeodi quod ipse Jordanus tenet in dominico in Langleghe in manerio de Kingtone. Et cum distringeretur venit et interrogavit *namia* sua quieta, asserens se non teneri eidem abbati in ipso scutagio sicut ab eodem exitu, et cum abbas non dimitteret *namia* sua quieta statim ivit ad Nichum de Gaversham tunc Vicecom: Wilteshir et questus est de ipso abbate quod injuste, &c. *namia* sua detinuit et dedit

namium et pleg: *prosequendi* versus abbat: de vi et de *namio*. et ita deliberare fecit *namia* sua, et idem vir summones fecit abbat. per ballivum suum de *Domerham*, quod veniret ostensurus quare, &c. et intervenientibus racionalibus dilacionibus tandem comparuit idem abbas apud Wiltone in vigil. S^t. Joh: Bapt: eodem anno, et idem Jordanus comparuit per Jordanum, filium suum, quem fecit attornatum suum ad lucrendum vel prodendum: et idem abbas obtulit se - - - - Et cum dictus Jordanus attornatus patris sui requisitus esset semel secundo et tertio, quid diceret usque dictum abbatem, nichil respondit, et facto intervallo adhuc sepius requisitus nichil respondit, sed tandem fatebatur se nolle persequi Christum *ipum*. Et ideo consideratum est quod abbas habeat returnum de *namis* dicti Jordani quæ deliberata erant per Vic: viz. xxv animalibus et quod Jordanus et plegii sui in *m̄ia*. Et postea cum prædicta *namia* returnata fuissent in pratum dicti abbatis venit dictus Jordanus et recognovit se teneri ecclesiæ Glaston: in dicto scutagio unius feodi militis, quod predictus Adam et Roisia de eo tenent in Sweneleghe et Clopcote, et in scutagio dimid: feodi militis quod idem Jordanus tenet in dominico in Langleghe de Abbate Glastonie et ita statim intravit in solucionem.

Recognicio ejusdem Jordani de servicio suo.

Noverint, &c. quod ego Jordanus filius Ursi et heredes mei tenemur domino Michaeli abbati Glastonie et ecclesie Glastonie in xl solid: esterlingorum ad duos terminos solvendo, viz. ad festum Sancti Michaelis M.CCXLIIII xx' et ad Natale Domini proximo sequens xx' de scutagio sibi debito de uno feodo militis et dimid:

feod: quæ teneo de honore Glastonie in Langeleghe, Clopcote, et Sweneleghe, unde prius solvi eidem abbati xx' de eodem scutagio et adhuc restant xl' de scutagio selt̄ concessō domino Regi Henrico filio R. Johannis quando transfretavit in Vasconiam anno regni ipsius xxvi^{mo} et ad istam solucionem terminis prenotatis plenarie faciend: me et heredes meos firmiter obligavi et ejusdem abbatis districtionem subivi. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum apposui.

Carta ejusdem super exactis.

Noverint &c. quod Ego Jordanus filius Ursi et heredes mei tenemur respondere ecolesiā Glastonie de servicio feodi unius militis et dimid: feodi scilicet in Langlegh de dimid feod: in Clopcote de dimidio feodi in Swineleghe et ne hoc a memoria hominum de facili excidere possit huic scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus, Domino Roberto Blakeford, Domino Henrico de Hertham, Domino Johanne de Estone, Johanne de Abbotstone, Dño Rogero de Dantesey, Willo de Haywode, et aliis.

Littera Johannis de Artherne pro secta Hundredi de Kington. Venerabili viro domino et amico in Christo R. Dei gracia Abbati Glast: Johannes Artherne salutem, cum reverentia et honore.

Quia variis propeditis negotiis et servicio alieno occupatus sectam ad hundredum vestrum de Kingtone quam sicut ceteri liberi homines dicti manerii facere teneor personaliter, si placet hoc anno facere non possum, donacionem vestram exoro, quatenus dilectum

michi Rogerum Rugge attornatum meum ad dictam sectam loco mei faciendam per annum si placet recipere velitis. Dat. Mens: Sep^r: anno Regni Regis Henrici xlvij. In cuius rei testimonium presentibus sigillum meum apposui.

Littera domini Ernaldi de Bosco pro tenemento de Edeneworthe.

A honourable pere et sage R. par le gre dieu abbe de Glasingburg Ernaud de boyz salut et toutz honourz. Monstre nous est sire par sire Thomas de Beauchamp nostre cosin que un tenement de nous tient en Edeneworthe ore les appurteynances le quel tenement nous temoins et clamons tener de nous et de nostre eglise que vos en cele tenement le faites destreyndre pur homage que pur cele tenement nous demaundetz e pur ceo sire que nous susmes en gret maladie et en fible estat de corps que a vous travailler ne pooms vous prioms tentirement com savoms que nous par dieu et pur lamour de nous ceu destresse lesset et mettet en respit si la que nous sumes en tel estat de corps que a vous venir puissoms pur cele homage faire. Kar bien connoissoms et conaistre voloms et devons que cele tenement de vous et de vostre eglise tenoms et tener clamons et que pur cele tenement homage a vous et a vostre eglise et a vous successors et real service quant qalvient con appartient et faire selions d'auncienne custome fere devours. En tesmoigne de ceste chose nos envoyoms nos lettres overtas de nostre seale enseals.

Carta Jordani Cotel Persone de Kingtone de una acra in eodem manerio non alienanda.

Omnibus ad quos, &c. Jordanus Cotel Rector ecclesie de Kingtone salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego Jordanus me obligavi pro me et heredibus meis domino Rogero Abbati Glastonie quod nec ego nec heredes mei unquam dabimus vendemus vel aliquo modo assignabimus alicui domui religiose seu alicui ecclesie seu persone alicui ecclesie illam acram terræ in Kingtone quam habui de Willielmo de Haywode quæ est de feodo ipsius abbatis sine expresso consensu dictorum abbatis et conventus. In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus; Domino Thome Trevet, Willielmo filio suo, Roberto de Brente, Hugone de Middleton, et aliis.

Indentura facta inter abbatem Glastonie et Rectorem ecclesie de Kington de standâ ordinatione bonorum virorum super quadam platea prope fabricam quæ nunc est curtilagium.

A. D. { Memorandum quod cum die beati Dionysii anno Do-
1269 } mini millesimo, C. C. sexagesimo nono Jordanus Rector Ecclesie de Kingtone diceret se esse gravatum in quadam platea prope fabricam que aliquando fuit pundfolda abbatis Glastonie que nunc reducta est in curtilagium et de duobus *namis* suis quos idem abbas ei deforceat ut dicit convenit amicabiliter inter eosdem abbatem et rectorem quod de comuni consensu posuerunt se in consideratione bonorum virorum hinc inde communiter eligendorum. In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto in modum circographi confecto predictus abbas et Jordanus sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Hiis testibus Michael le Goydurando de Wullaving-

tone, Waltero la Wayte et aliis. Acta apud Melles die et anno supradicto.

Indentura inter predictum abbatem et conventum et rectorem de communa pastura bosci qui vocatur *Inwode* cum aliis predicti abbatis relaxatis.

Memorandum quod die et anno supradicto Jordanus Cotele Rector Ecclesie de Kingtone tulisset duo brevia domini Regis super dominum Robertum Abbatem Glastonie, unum, viz; de nova disseisina pro quod conquerebatur quod quidam abbas disseisiavit eum de communa pasturæ suæ quam habere debuit ut dicebat ad omnimoda averia sua in bosco predicti abbatis quod vocatur *Inwode* in Kingtone et quod predictus abbas levare fecerat tres domos in Kingtone et unam domum in Langeleghe in communa pasture sue ut dicebat et quod obstari fecerat iter quod habere consuevit ut dixit inter *Inwode* et *la sterte*: et aliud breve pro quod conquerebatur quod idem levare fecerat sex feofat: in Kingtone ad nocumentum liberi tenementi sui in eadem villa, tandem contentiones amicabiliter conquieverunt in forma subscripta, viz. quod predictus abbas concessit prefato Rectori quod ipse habeat porcos suos proprios sine numero in prenotato bosco predicti abbatis de *Inwode* simul cum porcis ipsius abbatis quandocunque et quotiescunque idem abbas vel ballivi sui porcos suos in dictum boscum poni fecerint: ita tamen quod porci memorati Rectoris quos ibi sic ponet, intrent vel eant per mediam curiam predicti abbatis et non alibi. Promisit enim dictus abbas dicto Rectori bona fide quod nec per se nec per ballivos suos per fraudem vel per maliciam

excogitatam quod absit aliquod impedimentum prestabit quo minus porci predicti Rectoris in prefatum boscum ingressum habeant, et egressum in forma predicta: concessit etiam memoratus abbas prefato Rectori quod habeat iter quod habere consuevit apud la sterte ad bigam, et quadrigam absque ullo impedimento sui vel suorum, ita tamen quod liceat predicto abbati sepem et clausum facere inter dictum iter et culturam suam quod habet in eodem ambitu clausi *de la sterte* tempore quo fuit semiata et cum segetes inde amote fuerint supradictus Rector cum averiis suis simul cum averiis predicti abbatis absque contradictione vel impedimento quolibet communicet ibidem. Et pro hac concessione remisit totaliter dictus Rector prefato abbati omnimodam communam pasture quam ad se pertinere dicebat ad quaecunque averia sua in dicto bosco de *Inwede*, salva eidem Rectori communa in bosco ipso ad porcos suos proprios tantummodo in forma premissa. Remisit insuper idem Rector prefato abbati omnem avocam quam habuit et demandam versus predictam abbatem de prenomminatis 4 domibus quas dixit esse erectas in communa pasture sue, et de predictis sex fossatis que ad nocumentum suum levata esse dicebat in predictis villis de *Kingtone* et *Langeleghe*. In cujus rei testimonium, &c. Hiis testibus (scilicet predictis.)

Quieta clamancia domini Edmundi Gacelin de omnimoda exactione libertatis de *Kingtone*, *Netelingtone*, *Grutelingtone*, et *Cristemalford*.

Omnibus, &c. *Edmundus Gacelin*, dominus hundredi de *Chip-*

penham salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et pro me et heredibus meis in perpetuum quietum clamasse domino Galfrido Dei gracia abbati Glastonie et ejus loci conventui omnimodas summoniciones attachiamenta districtiones et omnimodas execuciones omnium brevium preceptorum et mandatorum domini Regis, Justiciarii, Vicecomitum, et omnium quoruncunque aliorum ministrorum suorum in *Kingtone Sancti Michaelis, Cristemalforde, Grutelingtone, et Netelingtone*, seu in omnibus terris et feodis eorum in Comit: Wilteschir absque impedimento mei vel heredum meorum in perpetuum per ballivos suos proprios faciendum et exequendum. Ita quod nec ego nec heredes mei in predict: sumon: attach: distri: vel execut: aliquorum brevium preceptorum vel mandatorum aliquid Juris vel clamii vindicare vel in posterum supradictos abbatem et conventum vel eorum successores usurpare seu eos in aliquo premissorum inquietare poterimus quoquomodo. In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui: Hiis testibus dominis Henrico Spigurnel,* Ricardo de Rodenie, Johanne de Bousser, Johanne de Chediok, militibus; Johanne Percehay, Johanne de Fosse, et aliis. Dat. Glastonie die lune in festo Purific: Beate Marie Virginis. Anno Regni Regis Edwardi filii Regis Edwardi xiiij.

Mem: That the Park at Kington St. Michael was in the Lord Abbot's time, in common to the tenants, and the grounds of the Copie-holders (in Kingtone St. Michael) near their houses, scil: westward of their houses, did in the Abbot's time extend to

* Signifies a Sealer of Writts.

the ditch in Ryding (which ground runs north from the Mannor-house, and was taken away from the Tenants by Nicholas Snell (to enlarge his prospect and pasture) formerly Reeve to the Lord Abbot, who bought the inheritance with the arrears of Rent detained in his hands, forseeing the destruction of the Church-lands. Also the Tenants (Copy-holders) had parcells belonging to their respective Copie-holds in the West-field, then common, now enclosed, which was also taken from them by their new Land-lord Snell. So heretofore they were able to keep a whole plough; but since having but work enough for half a plough, they live poorly and needily.

The Estate is sold to another Family, viz. one Laford a Bristowe-man about 1679.

W^m. Snell, of Bideston, = Florenc. d. and colicir of
in Com: Wilts.
W^m. Keynell, of Bideston,
Com: Wilts, Esq^r.

Rich^d. Snell, of Kington, = Jane, dau: to Nicholas
Com: Wilts, Esq. Marshe of Eston, in Com:
Wilts.

Mary, d: to W^m. = Alice, d: to George Pye
Cleveland. Com: of Oxford: 1st Wife.
Wilts, 2d Wife. Arms, S. 3 escallops or.
Com: Wilts, Esq^r. Frideswid, uxor Thomae
Barkesdale of Kevill,
Wilts.

Susan, ux.
Edw. Long, of
Keilwey, in
Com. Wilts.

John Snell,
of Kington
St. M.

Katherine, dau.
to John Warne-
ford, of Seven-
hampton, in
Com: Wilts,
Esq^r.

Jone, uxor
Rich. Taylor of
Castlecombe.

Edith, ux:
Em: Stokes
de Long Dev-
rell, Com: Wilts.

Cicely, ux:
Tho^r. Bayley
of Bolden.

Thos. Snell
of Loxwell,
in Com: Wilts,
2^d son.

Eliz: daug. of
John Bousser
of Gloc:
Gyles, uxor
Rich^d Kington
of Cosham, in
Com: Wilts. 11 39

Sr. Tho^r. Snell, = Anna, dau: of
Kt. of Kington. Sr Robert Long.

Mary. Penelope. Sr Charles Snell
of Kington pre- Barbara, ux:
dict: 1623. Chr. Stoke de
Etat: 25. Stanways,
Gloc:

Rich^d. Snell, John Snell, = Katherine d: of Anne.
2d Son. son and heir. Phillip Pleddall,
of Gloc:

Charles Snell, Elizabeth.
Æt. 4. 1623. Judith.

Rich^d. Snell
of Loxwell,
in Com: Wilts,
s^o. 1623.

Judith, d: to
W^m. Bayleiff,
of Mounton.

Edw: Snell, of
Foxham, in
Com. Wilts, 2^d
Son, 1623.

Margaret, d: of
Rich^d Daunteseey
of Potterne,
Com: Wilts.

Tho^r. Snell, son = Eliz: d. of Rob:
and heir. Stratton. Margaret.

Langeleygh.

Carta Regis Edmundi facta Wulfrico ministro suo de Langeleyghe.

Crux, que excelsis toto et dominaris olympto, inclita lex domini Christi fundamen et aule, alpha mi et u, hujus singraphæ initium medium et finem vexillando faveto; tu quoque, cunctis splendidior astris, sanctiorque universis coram Christo chrismatibus, regale percusculum Edmundi Regis, anglosaxona largissima perlustrasti prerogativa, hoc nempe veredico potest oraculo Wulfrik, pro cereali potentia ditatus, proferre veraciter, ut ceteri, regia dignitate condonatus, en nempe innotescat hac cartula carraxanda,

A. D. ^{940.} { quodd, beato Dei patrociniò, idem Rex prefatus, anno
 { D. C.C.C.C. XL. postquam virgo puerpera celesti puerperio celeste protulit cunctis catholicè conversantibus agion nemna impuizante eulogium, atque secundo regum armigerulo, ex quo *regalia gerebat diademata, bis quindenis* ad Langeleggh mansiunculis longevâ liberalitate hunc Wulfricum locupletat, hanc terram prenotatam sibi suisque post se habere cum locis silvaticis seu rite campestribus circumcinctis climatibus perhenniter perfruedam perpendant nunc perpetuumque hujus agri alacriter quod promulgat sagaciter auctor Christus ac fortiter. Reddite ergo que sunt Cesaris Cesari, o vos possessores, et que sunt Dei Deo fas divinum jus

humanum ministrantes ecclīæ catholicæ lectitantes. Hiis limitibus prædicta terra giratur. "Croft ac thanzren aken, thanna endelange Merebokes, of thanbroke on Southlingleygh, of thar leighe adoun to than lypzate, of than lypzate over erges pathe to than Pagheye thar, then endelang Pagheyes out on thanfeld, thanne bisouthe of *Weofwelle*,* thanne of than welle endelang Bever bourne on Stanforde, of Stanforde on the old hegge rewe on *soudermede* per one, of sundermede endelangweies out bi weste smalehammes, thanne over thane feld, endelang there hegge rewe that alfric mede on schortgrove thare, thanne in on ye grove on ther westerswolle, of ther swelle on yer dich, of yer dich on thene ellenestubbe, of thane stubbe over Stanleyghe to ther elde heggerewe thare, thanne endelang heggerewe est on per one doune estward on per one doune to *bradwelle-broke* to than stone, of thanstone est to than seswelme ac dianafelde, of than seswelwe to yar appildore, of thar appildore to trindscathin, of trinscathin to holdendene* to atforde to atforde south on than stone, of thanstone to than Pym aken peginhullis ve mere, of yar yo - - endlangdich thar est on the ya. ✠ Ego Edmundus Rex regia dignitate conspicuus hiis testibus conscribentibus, quorum nomina adnotantur hoc quod dedi confirmavi celebri loco Chippenham. ✠ Ego Wulffhelm archipresul cum suffraganeis presulibus domini regis roboravi.

Carta Reginaldi Bosket de terrâ suâ de la Combe datâ Ecclesiæ.

Sciant, &c. quod Ego Reginaldus Bosket consensu et assensu

* Perhaps Hullington.

Herberti Frankchivaler domini mei et Juliane filie ipsius uxoris mee concessi deo et ecclesie S. Marie Glastonie totam terram meam de la Combe et Langeleyghe quam accepi cum uxore mea in maritagium, tenendam in perpetuum libere et quiete de me et heredibus meis. Reddendo inde annuatim michi et heredibus meis tres solidos pro omni servitio ad me pertinente. Et si forte Regale servicium vel aliud evenerit de hiis tribus solidis illiud servicium semper fiet. Pro hac concessione Rogerus filius Edine dedit michi Reginaldo Bosket decem solidos et Juliane uxori meæ xij. denarios, et Thome heredi meo xij^d. et Hereberto Frankchivaler xij. solidos pro speciali siquidem dileccione predicti *Rogeri Monachi* jam dicte ecclesie Glastonie fecimus concessionem predictam. Et ut hæc mea donatio rata et inconcussa in posterum permaneat scripto meo et sigilli mei munimine eam confirmavi. Hiis testibus, Aluredo Ferling, Thoma de Monte, Roberto Mareschall, et aliis.

Consensus Hereberti de terra predicta.

Sciant, &c. (sic concludit) hec carta lecta est in plenis comitiis de die Sancti Egidii apud Exon. Hiis testibus, Juliano Pokehelle, Aluredo Ferling, Ricardo de la Weye, Rogero fratre ejus, et omnibus probis hominibus hundredæ de Langeleghe.

Carta Johannis Burel facta Agnete filie sue de uno domo et 5 acris terræ in Cameleyghe.

Sciunt, &c. quod Ego Johannes Burel de Cameleighe dedi et concessi Agnete filie mee pro homagio et servicio suo, domum unam cum curtilagio in Cameleygh iuxta croftam meam quod Alexander frater meus quondam tenuit, et in campo orientali quinque acras terre arabilis simul jacentes que vocantur *la gore* in campo nostro australi, ij acras simul jacentes que extendunt se super Middilwodishething, et dimidiam acrae que jacet ex transverso predictarum acrarum ad capud versus austrum, et unam acram supra le *Inhok* que extendit versus plagam borealem, habendam et tenendam, &c. Reddendo inde annuatim ipsae et heredes sui de se procreati ad pascha michi et heredibus meis *unum par cirotecarum albarum de precio unius oboli,** pro omni servicio et demanda. Et ego Johannes Burel et heredes mei warrantizabimus, &c. Et si predicta Agnes sine liberis de se procreatis obierit predictum mesuagium cum tota predicta terra ad me vel heredes meos libere reverterit. Et ut hec mea donacio, &c. stabilis sit, &c. sigillum meum apposui hiis testibus, domino Johanne Crumhale de Feringtone, Phillipō Kether de Littletone, Anquetillo de Hentone et aliis.

Carta Milonis filii Milonis de una perticata terre in Langlegh data ecelesie.

Omnibus, &c. Milo filius Milonis de Langelegh salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse concessisse et confirmasse

* A pair of white Gloves for a Half-penny.

domino *Roberto* Abbati Glastonie et ejusdem loci conventui in monasterio Glastonie inperpetuum unam perticatam in longitudine, et duas perticatas in latitudine de australi capite cujusdam dimidie acræ mee jacentis apud *Maydenewelle* in campo boreali de *Langelegh* ad stagnum molendini sui de *Bidemell* elargiend: et amendand: Tenendum et habendum eandem terram cum pertinentiis suis predicto abbati, et conventui et successoribus ac monasterio predicto in puram et perpetuam elemosynam inperpetuum, &c. Hiis testibus domino Johanne de Estone; milite, Henrico de Cerne domino de Draicot, Rogero Gengel, et aliis.

Carta Rogeri Gengel et uxoris sue de redditu xii^d. vel unius *multonis** in Kingtone.

Omnibus, &c. Rogerus Gengel de Langelegh et Alicia uxor ejus salutem in domino. Noverit universitas vestra quod cum dominus Robertus abbas Glastonie concessit mihi et uxori mee quoad vixerimus tantum quandam parvam placeam continentem circa dimidiam acram terræ de quadam furlong quam Robertus Longus de Langelegh aliquando tenuit in Langelegh et eandem pro paupertate sua predicto domino abbati reddidit; et que quidem placea jacet ex parte australi mesuagii in Langelegh, pro xij denariis vel uno *multone* de eodem precio ad consuetudinem falcone pratum de Pegingehulle mede de redditu per

* Sign. Mutton at the price of xij pence.

annum quod nos confitemur et fideliter protestamur pro nobis ac quibuscunque heredibus et assignatis nostris nullum jus aut clameum posse calumpniare recuperare vel habere aliquo unquam tempore in ipsa placea predicta vel pertinentiis suis quibuscunque ratione hujus concessionis nisi solum convencionem predictam quoad vixerimus temporis sed post decessum nostrum tota placea predicta cum omnibus in eadem appropriatis, ut in domibus et aliis quibuscunque abbati et conventui Glastonie qui pro tempore erunt ac monasterio Glastonie sine aliqua calumpnia vel contradiccione quorumcunque heredum vel assignatorum nostrorum plenarie et integre revertatur. In cujus rei testimonium presenti

A. D. 1273. { scripto sigilla nostra apposimus. Dat: apud Kingtone
 { beati Michaelis. Anno Domini Millesimo ducentessimo septuagesimo tertio.

Carta Thome Gingel de una perticata terre et dimidia in Langelegh data ecclesie.

Omnibus, &c. Thomas Gengel salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse et concessisse et confirmasse Roberto, abbati Glastonie et ejusdem loci, &c. unam perticatam et dimid: in longitudine et duas in latitudine de terra mea in boreali capite cujusdam dimid: acre jacentis sub molendino de Bidemille in campo boreali de Langeleghe et preterea tres perticatas in longitudine et quatuor perticatas et dimid: in latitudine de terra mea in capitibus australibus duarum dimid: acrarum mearum jacentium super molendinum predictum similiter in campo predicto ad stagnum suum de molendino predicto emendand. et elargiend:

Tenendum et habendum ad eandem terram cum pertinentiis suis predicto abbati et conventui et successoribus in puram et perpetuam elemosynam. Ita quod nec ego nec heredes mei nec aliqui per nos aliquid juris vel clamii in predicta terra aut pertinentiis suis aliquo unquam tempore habere venditare seu exigere possimus imperpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum huic scripto apposui. Hiis testibus Domino Johanne de Estone milite, Thoma de la Mare, Rogero Gengel, et aliis.

Carta Jordani filii Ursi facta ecclesie pro molendino de Kingtone.

Sciunt, &c. quod ego Jordanus filius Ursi de Langelegh volo et concedo pro me et heredibus meis imperpetuum, quod frater *Robertus de Pedertone monachus* monasterii Glastonie toto suo tempore et abbas et conventus dicti monasterii Glast: perpetuis temporibus habeant et teneant bene et in pace integre et quiete, &c. molendinum et stagnum cum pertinentiis suis prope fontem qui vocatur Maydenewelle in manerio de Kingtone ad ampliacionem stagni dicti molendini. Ego Jordanus filius Ursi dedi concessi et quietum clamavi, &c. prefato Roberto de Pedertone toto suo tempore et abbati et conventui predicto Monasterii Glastonie imperpetuum quinque perticatas terre cum pertinentiis suis. Ego Jordanus et heredes mei memorato Roberto suo tempore abbati et conventui imperpetuum contra omnes mortales warrantizare et defendere tenemur. Pro hac autem mea donacione concessione, &c. dedit michi prefatus Robertus duas marcas sterlingorum præ manibus. In quorum om-

nium perpetuum testimonium presenti carte sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus domino Johanne de Estone milite, Roberto de Cerne, Ricardo Haylis, et allis.

Carta per copiam.

Omnibus, &c. Reginaldus Burel dominus de Langeleygh salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod cum quedam contenciones nuper suborte essent inter dominum Johannem Abbatem Glaston: et ejusdem loci conventum et homines suos de Kingtone Sancti Michaelis et Langeleghe ex parte una, et me ex altera; super imparcamento facto de averiis predicti abbatis et hominum suorum predictorum in boscis meis de Langeleghe Burel inventorum, tandem eadem contenciones in hunc modum conquieverunt, viz. quod ego prædictus Reginaldus et heredes mei vel assignati de cetero tenemur prefatos boscus undique per illam costeram ad quam communis pastura prædicti abbatis conventus et successorum et hominum suorum predictos boscus pro defectu clausture non ingrediantur. Et si forte averia predictorum abbatis et conventus et hominum suorum predictos boscus pro defectu clausture ingrediantur, ego et heredes mei et assignati mei averia predicta de predictis boscis fugare sine dampno predictorum averiorum vel redempcione capiendo tenemur imperpetuum nec eadem averia ea occasione aliquatenus comparcare tenemur. Hiis testibus Domino Henrico de Cerne, Johanne de Greenstede militibus, Thoma de la Mare, et multis aliis. Dat. Marleberwe die lune xx. post festum sancti Dionisii anno Edwardi Regis nono.

At Langley was a Chapell dedicated to St. Peter, it is now converted to a dwelling howse, it is about the middle of the village on the north side of the way.

Old John Wastefield told me that he had been Pennman in the beginning of Her Majesties Raigne. The Revell is still kept the Sunday following St. Peter's day : it is one of the eminentest Feastes in these partes.

The family of Gengel mencioned p. 72, 73,* continues yet in this parish, and it was but about 1664, that the ancient estate here of them was sold to one Samuel Martin, it is about an hundred pounds per annum.

In Langley is another little Mannor called Langley Fitzurs. The Hill that leads up to Langley from Kington, is to this day called Fitzurs-hill. The Estate is now Mr. Bamfield Sidenham's who bought it of the heirs of the Lord Hopton. It is a very ancient built howse with a great Hall, and moted about : here is the chapell bell yet left. There is a piece of a tradition yet left among the old people that a king once lived here.

* Page 118 in this Volume.

Netelingtone.

Carta Edmundi Regis facta Wullfrico ministro suo de Netelingtone.

Regnante in perpetuo domino Jhu Christo, Sacrae autem scripture edita forma catholicorum patrum nos admonet ut memores simus quàm quidem transeuntis mundi vicissitudo cotidie per incrementa temporum crescendo decrescat et ampliando minuatur, crebrescentibusque repentinis variorum incursum ruinis vicinus terminus cunctis in proximo cernitur. Quapropter Ego Edmundus Rex Anglorum ceterarumque gentium in circuitu persistentium gubernator et rector cuidam meo fideli ministro vocitato nomine Wolfrico ob illius amabile obsequium ejusque placabilem fidelitatem dignatus sum impartiri bis denas mansas, quod anglice dicitur Twenti hide, ubi turbæ collatione jamdudum nomen illatum hoc esse profertur at Netelintone. Hoc igitur prefatum tellus omnibus cum appendiciis silvis et campis pascuis atque pratis magnis vel minimis sit quoque liber libertate prefixo a omni jugo servili cum universis que pertinent sibi, tribus pretermis non obmittendis expeditione, pontis, municionisque confectione, deinceps namque sibi succedenti cui placuerit sibi relinquat heredi in eternam hereditatem. Nam quisque seculorum in generatione belial gnatus nostrum hoc volumen immutare temptaverit inde reus celare judicii die magna cum turba truces tradatur in flammam nisi hoc in seculo penitentia prius fletu detersus hinc se corrigere studuerit. Istis terminibus

predicta terra circumgirata esse videtur. “Creft endelang yefere to alorbroke, endlang alorbrokes to Wodeford, of Wodeford to Streetford, of Streetford to meredich, up of meredich out to bilham that hit comet to lang forlang suthward, thanhen to hengrane, of hengrane to cefe langgrave, thanen to abbanberghe to yar or putten to the fere ist sone.” ✠ acta est hæc prefata donacio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jesu Christi DCCCCXLIII. indicione secunda ✠ Ego Edmundus rex anglorum donationem sub sigillo sancte crucis subarravi ✠ Ego Odo Doroborni ecclesie archiepiscopus ejusdem regis donacionem cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi, cum multis aliis. Hanc ruralem possessionem predictus Wulfricus post obitum conjugis sue data cartula commendavit, quod tum Elswine factus Monachus et ad monasterium rediens opere implevit.

Carta Regis Edwy de Netelingtone facta abbati et monasterio de Glastinbury.

Christo jura regnorum omnia disponente primo anno mei regis. Ego Edwi prepotens angeligene genelogie sceptro fretus uni meo fideli videlicet abbati Glastingensi vocitato nomine Elwio viginti mansas consentio illo in loco ubi ruricolæ appellativo usu nomen indederunt at Netlingtone, et in suo vivere cum prosperitate semper istum eximium optineat, et post se cum cirographo perpetuo cui voluerit eternaliter derelinquat cum campis pashcuis pratis silvis *sine expeditione et pontis arcisve constructione*. Sic vero maneat predictum rus defensum ab omni obstaculo et liberum a cuncto servicio exceptis istis tribus sicut superius pernotatum est.

Si quis autem quod non optamus infringere temptaverit quod absit, sciat se rationem redditurum coram Deo et angelis ejus nisi prius hic dignâ satisfactione emendare voluerit. Acta est hec pre-

A. D. 956 { fata donacio anno ab incarnatione domini nostri Jhesu Christi DCCCCLVI, indictione xiiij. ✠ Ego Edwy Rex anglorum indeclinabiliter consensi ✠ Ego Edgar ejusdem regis frater celeriter consensi ✠ Ego Odo archiepiscopus cum signo sancte crucis roboravi cum multis aliis.

Quieta clamacio communariorum pasturæ que vocitatur Dovesweye.

Omnibus, &c. Walterus Drw dominus de Littletone Rogerus Clerke de eadem, David Plusbel, Rogerus de Roter, Adam filius Galfridi molendinarii, Rogerus William, Johannes Prat, Willielmus le Muleward, Drw de Littletone, Rogerus Watts, et Radulphus Frye de eadem, salutem. Noveritis nos remisisse, &c. domino Johanni Abbati Glastonie conventui et successoribus, totum jus quod habuimus vel habere poterimus nomine commune pasture in cultura que jacet ex parte occidentali de donelbosweye in Manerio de Netelington. Ita quod nos nec heredes nostri nullo tempore anni in eandem communare valeamus imperpetuum ac similiter remisimus, &c. totum jus nostrum nomine commune pasture in la mersh usque donewolweye et usque le cartweye anno quo idem campus jacet ad *Warettum*.* Ita quod nec nos nec heredes, &c.

* Q. The Signification.

--- Hiis testibus Dominis Galfrido de Wrokeshale, Rogero de Lokington, Henrico de Cerne, Reginaldo Burel militibus, Wilhelmo Percehay, Johanne Caplevent et aliis.

Mem: I do believe Donewolweye to be that which is now called Dunley, where till about 1640 remained the walls of a chapel, in the north-west quarter as you stand in the point where the Fosse-way is crossed by the way that leads from Clapcote to Aldrington.

At Nettleton (for so it is now called) is a well built Church; but the windowes all broken by the fanatic rage of the late times. The Church howse was the handsome stone house thereby, with a crosse at the end of it.

Q. When the Revell is here.

The bells are all new cast.

In the Church yard was this old Epitaph, not long since legible:

Here lies a traveller old madam Besse
 Honest Charles Hales his wife I guesse,
 She was his dear one, we'ele not belie her
 And so is mine too, wou'd shee lay by her.

In this Parish, in a Field that faces Combe Castle, is an ancient monument called Lugburys: it lies Northward and S-ward. --- paces long.

Grutelingtone, now called Grittleton,

Carta Regis Edmundi de Grutelingtone facta Wulfrico ministro suo.

Post introductionem (pro more) usitatam, anno dominice incarnationis DCCCCXL. prefatus Rex Edmundus primo anno principalis potentie ministrum suum Wlfrik valde feliciter non pro lucro filargirie sed perhenni privilegio atque hujus viri fidelissima stabilitate honorat ac benigne beatificat largitionis illi terram xxv. manet imperpetuum at Grutelingtone antiquo confinio sibi suisque heredibus perfruendam ab omni jugo vectigalium propter pontem arcem expeditionemque perpetualiter possidendam. Caveant hæc frangentes claustra infernalialia. Gaudeantque Jhesu aligimnasio hæc augentes eulogia aurea. Hæc cartula caritatis caraxata est in

* *collatestr*: ✠ Ego Edmundus hoc primitivum prerogativum meo ministro Wlfrico signo sancte crucis consignavi. ✠ Ego Wlfhelm archiepiscopus cum ceteris pontificibus benevola mentis intencione annotavi. ¶ Creft of elde dich above stibbe, thanne endlangweis on strete, so bi strete on holedene endlangdenes to swring wellen, thanen to olde Gore, so on de yate on the elde stibbe, thanen on olde burgh seethward of yare berwe in on the foulllake on thow bithe, of than bithe in on thene well bi *estefoxcotope*, of than welle west on thone mere aker, of than aker endlangweies asto the old dich. Hanc prefatam possessionem Wulfric minister Eddredi post dies conjugis

* Query.

sue commendavit monasterio Glastingensi, quod tum aliis fecit Elswine videlicet nomine.

Placita de jure et assiss: capt. apud Wiltone in Com. Wiltshire in crastino Sancti Hillarii anno Regni Regis Henr: 1. 52.

Jurati venerunt recognituri utrum unum messuagium et xij acras terræ cum pertinenciis in Grutelingtone fuit libera elemosina pertinent. ad ecclesiam de Grutelingtone unde Nicholaus de Turri est Persona, an laicum feodum Rogeri Le Chapman, unde idem Nicholaus dicit quod quidam Johannes le Clerke predecessor suus, persona predictæ ecclesiæ fuit in seisina de predictis messuagiis et terris tempore Regis Henrici avi domini Regis qui nunc est, ut de jure sue ecclesie prædicte, &c. et quod messuagium et terram Rogerus le Chapman tenet et ipse non venit et alias fecit default postquam fuit summonitus ita quod preceptum fuit vic: resmon. &c. et vic: testatur quod resmon. esset, ideo cap. jura versus eum pro default. &c. eadem jura per eosdem recognov. ven. recognov. utrum decem virgatæ terræ cum pertinenciis in Grutelingtone sint libera elemosina pertinent. ad eandem ecclesiam de Grutelingtone unde idem Nicholaus est persona, an laicum feodum Johannis de Wintershull et Johanne uxoris ejus, et unde idem Nicholas dixit quod Johannes le Clerke predecessor suus, persona dicte ecclesie fuit seisitus de predictis decem virgatæ terre cum pertinenciis tempore, &c. et quas decem virgatas terre prædictus Johannes de Wintershulle et Johanna uxor ejus tenent; et ipsi non venerunt et al fecerunt default. postquam fuerunt summoniti ita quod prescript.

fuit vic. quod resum. eos, &c. et vic. dicit quod summoniti sunt ideo capit jura versus defalt. &c. Jurat. dicit quod predicta ecclesia de Grutelingtone tempore, &c. et etiam ante tempus avi fuit in seisina de predicto messuagio et de predictis xij acris terre cum pertinentiis, unde secunda jura arraniata esse ut de libera elemosina pertinent. ad ecclesiam predictam: unde idem Nicholaus est persona et dicit quod quidam Johannes le Gros qui tempore Henrici predicti avi domini Regis fuit persona dicte ecclesie tempore domini Hen: Regis alienavit predictam terram et eam dedit Willielmo Ludingtone in maritagio cum quadam filia ipsius Johannis le Gros et idem Willielmus dedit postea predictam terram cum pertinentiis cuidam Ricardo le Dol in maritagio cum quadam filia ipsius Willielmi, et unde dicunt quod per sacramentum suum quod predictum messuagium et predictæ xij acre terræ cum pertinentiis in Grutelingtone . . . unde prima virg: et etiam predict: x virgat: terre cum pertinentiis in predicta villa unde secunda jur: arraniata esse sunt in libera elemosina parcium ad predictam ecclesiam et semper fuerunt - - - dictam alienacionem. Et ideo consideratum est quod predictus Nicholaus recuperet seisinam suam de prefatis messuagiis et terris ut jure ecclesie sue predictæ. et predictus Rogerus le Chapman Johannes de Wintreshull et Johana uxor ejus in misericordia.

In the Earle of Marches Legier book. Alice femme Walt: Haklut faict a Mons^r. Roger Mortimer de tenez in Foxcote. Q. if not Foxcote in this Parish.

In the Church here is nothing of Antiquity to be found. The Rector hereof is now, 1670, Dr. - - - Tulley, Principal of Edmund Hall in Oxford. Mem: To this Parsonage, is a little mannor belonging to this Town, the like whereof I know not but at Christian Malford.

In obitum Guliemi Gore, Arm:

Qui è vivis expiravit, vicessimo die Aprilis, Anno Salutis 1647.

Gaudeto Juvenis, pravum dum rideat ævum

Judicis adventum mente revolve tamen.

Quamvis fata trahunt finem, dum spiritus adsit

Respice; sic munus vita perennis erit.

- - - Mors sola fatetur

Quantula sint hominum corpuscula

Eccles: 11. 9

Cristemalford.

Carta Edmundi Regis facta sancto Dunstano de Cristemalforde.

Egregius exagonista sermocinatus est in scripturis divinis omnia que videntur temporalia sunt, que autem non videntur æterna. Icirco superflua utentibus divinus sermo ut supra taxati sumus terribiliter permonet ut hujus seculi caduca contempnentes spiritualia imitantes celestia properemus ad regna. Quamobrem ego Edmun-

dus, divina michi arridente gracia, Rex anglorum et curegulus
 multarum gentium cuidam adoptivo fideli meo abbati Dunstano
 vocitato, viginti mansas ibidem vulgares pulchro more nobilique
 relatione vocitant. At Cristemalforde juxta derivativis fluentium
 successoribus *be afene*, quatinus ille bene perfruatur ac perpe-
 tualiter possideat cum omnibus sibi recte pertinentibus, campis,
 paschuis, pratis, silvis, silvorumque nemoribus: fiat etenim prefata
 terra ab omni servili jugo libera, exceptis istis tribus, expedicione,
 pontis, arcisve cohedificacione. Denique si quis nobis non optanti-
 bus nostrum hoc donum violari fraudulenter perpetrando consense-
 rit, consideret hinc se die ultimo judicii coram deo rationem redditu-
 rum, atque cum reprobris quibus dicitur, “discedite a me maledicti
 in ignem eternam,” penis atrocibus se esse passurum si non antea
 corporea lamentacione emendaverit. Istis terminibus predicta terra
 circumgirata esse videtur. “Creft on Cristemalforde endlang afne
 “ on an litil dich, end lang par dich est on afne on difivere, thanen
 “ on the withibed, thanen on ye mere sourh, and soa on rigt over
 “ *dauntesbourne* on per ellenestubbe est, on per brembelwernan est,
 “ on per merhawen est, on swinesheued on the grete *mapildore*,
 “ thanen on the old oden missenne, end lang pis clives on yen he-
 “ nayssh on hoddiscrive for yard bi wirtwalen on sand riddciate
 “ on the hage thar est, on grete tre endlangishawyn on the elde
 “ strete est, on teonescanon southward, yanne endlanges thare
 “ brodefurgh, on ye hegeberghef in on pe toane northward,
 “ endlang thar forerthe be a aker haned par est on cristemal-
 “ forde.” Acta est hec prefata donacio anno ab incarnatione
 A. D. } domini nostri Jesu Christi D.C.C.C.C.XL. indiccione
 940. } xxiiij. ✠ Ego Edmundus Rex anglorum prefatam dona-

cionem cum sigillo sancte crucis confirmavi. ✠ Eddred ejusdem regis frater consignavi. ✠ Ego Wulfhelm dorobornensis ecclesie archiep̄us ejusdem regis donacionem cum tropheo agie crucis confirmavi cum multis aliis.

Littera Abbatis Malmesburiensis de ponendo Priorem de Bradestoke in seisinam secte homin̄ abbatis Glaston: ad molendinum dicti Prioris de Cristemalford.

Reverendo in Cristo patri domino I. permissione divina abbati Glaston: W. eadem permissione abbas Malmesbur. salutem. Noverritis nos constituisse - - - attornatum nostrum ad ponendum venerabilem virum priorem de Bradenstoke in plenariam seisinam de secta hominum nostrorum de Cristemalford ad molendinum ejusdem Prioris in eadem villa quam prius habuit et habere consuevit ratificant in premissis quantum nomine duxeritis faciendum. In cujus rei testimonium sigillo nostro sigillat: Dat: Glaston. pridie Kalend: Aprilis anno gracie 1287. Nos cupientes vestra implere rogamina dictum Priorem in seisinam prius habitam juxta tenorem literarum vestrarum duximus imponendum Dat: apud Malmesbury in crastino sancti Ambrosii episcopi et confessoris, anno gracie. M.C.C.LXXXVII.

Feotagium Prioris de Bradenstoke.

Memorandum quod an^o Dni 1287, 5^o Idus Aprilis Prior W. de Bradenstoke ven: P. I. Abbati Glast: feotagium secundum regionis consuetudinem licet hoc pluries negare presumpserit minus juste duxerit faciend: Magistro I. dicto de Cancell: cler. specialiter ad hoc misso et deputato nomine domini sui abbatis memorati in prato molendini de Cristemalforde juxta molendinum antedictum presentibus reverendis patribus domino W. tunc temporis abbate Malmesburiensi, domino W. Abbate de Stanleighe, domino Johanne de *Besiles**, domino Henrico de Cerne, domino Johanne de Blundestone, militibus; Ada de Ramisbury clerico speciali, negocia Prioris de Bradenstoke universa gerente in hac parte, Silvestro *Doynes*, Roberto Russel et multis aliis.

De Mensuratione pasture super personam de Cristemalforde.

A. D. } Memorandum quod anno M.C.C.XLIII. et anno
1243. } Regni Regis, H. 3. 27.^o In vigilia beati Johannis Baptiste tulit Michael Abbas Glastonie breve de amensuratione pasturæ super Robertum personam de Cristemalforde quod superoneravit pasturam suam in Cristemalforde et habuit in ea plura animalia quam habere debuit et consuevit. Et liberavit illud breve eodem die in Com. Wilteschir apud Wiltone et cum Vic. audisset breve tam

* De Besilsleigh, in Berks.

dicto abbati quod dicto persone precept. quod venirent ad Cristemalforde super pasturam scil: in vigilia translacionis beati Benedicti eodem anno ad videndam admensuracionem illam et accipiendam quid Justitia illi daret et idem Vic. interim sum̄: fecit Milites et alios liberos homines et probos et legales de visneto illo, et una cum illis ad dictam diem in propria persona sua venit et elegit xij ex ipsis et ipsos per sacramentum quod ipsi in fidelitate sua dicerent ac notarent quot animalia pertinent ad quamlibet hidam terræ in eadem villa, quorum nomina sunt hæc. * Radulphus de Sterkeleighe, Willielmus de Crosham, Adam Sturmi, Johannes Lucas, Johannes de Cnapwelle, Henricus de la Boxe, Radulphus de Foxcota, Simon de Foxcota, Radulphus Ryali, Robertus Mauduit, Adam le Paximinster et Johannes Gefray. Jurati dicunt quod cum Michael, Abbas Glast. portasset breve de amensuracione pasture super Robertum personam de Cristemalforde et ex eo quod idem Robertus injuste superoneravit pasturam suam, &c. dicunt precise quod ad quamlibet hidam terre in eadem villa pertinent sexdecem boves ad terram excolendam, quatuor vaccæ, ij aver. quinquaginta bidentes et sex porci. Hæc predicta pertinent ad unam hidam terre secundum justam amensuracionem.

Memorand. quod decem acræ faciunt ferdellum. Quatuor Ferdella faciunt virgata. Quatuor virgata hydum. Quatuor hide feodum unum faciunt. *This was written in a special note in the margin of the Legier Book.*

* Nomina Juratorum.

De Amensuratione pasturæ.

P. Adam Sturmy, Johannes de Cnapwelle, Henricus de la Boxe, Radulphus de Foxcote, et alii dicunt quod cum abbas Glastonie portasset breve domini Regis super Will. de Heiweie Robertum de Bremeleighe et Alexandrum de Boxe, quod idem R. W. et A. super honeraverunt communam pasturam in Cristemalforde, Ita quod in ea plura animalia et pecora habuerunt quam in ea debuerunt, &c. dicunt quod ad unam virgatam terra pertinent quatuor boves, et duæ vaccæ et unum averium et tres porci et duodecim bidentes ad terram excolendam et sustinendam: dicunt etiam quod si predicta persona de Christem: predictam comunam plenarie habere voluerit dictus abbas habebit comunam per totam terram plenarie. Et si predictus Robertus persona totam terram suam clausam et defensam contra dictum abbatem custodierit ita quod ipse vel sui heredes de Cristemalforde ingressum non habuerint bene licebit predicto abbati predictam pasturam contra dictam personam et heredes suos custodire defensam nisi inde warrentum suffic: habuerint preterquam ad averia iiij. unum afrum sex bidentes et duo porci que omnia predicta persona habebit in dicta pastura occasione iiij acr: prati quas habet extra clausum suum ita *scls.* quod habeat averia cum averiis, bidentes cum bidentibus porcos cum porcis. Hec acta sunt tempore quo Nicholus de Haversham fuit vicecomes Wilteshir. Memorand: cum mota lis esset inter Michaellem abbatem Glast: et Robert personam de Cristm: super amensuracionem pasture—eo quod dictus R: persona superoneravit comunam dicte pasture unde dicta pastura admensurat per xij liberos et legales hœ-

mines de visneto de Cristem: tandem conquievit lis inter eos in hunc modum, viz. quod predictus abbas habeat in predicta pastura de Christem: ad quamlibet hidam terre ejusdem manerii sexdecim boves ad terram suam excolendam, et quatuor vaccæ due affre. l. bidentes et sex porcos et predicta persona habeat eundem numerum secundum porcionem terræ sue ubique cum averiis domini abbatis in dicto manerio viz. boves cum bobus, vaccæ cum vaccis, bidentes cum bidentibus, porcos cum porcis, et affre cum affris: Ita quod dicta persona aperiat omnia clausa sua in Cristm: tempore pasturæ tempore stipulæ et prata post fenum asportatum de prato ipsius ad pascendum curæ averiis ipsius abbatis secundum amensuracionem predictam sine coutradiccione ipsius persone et eodem modo dictus R. persona habeat in pastura ipsius abbatis, In testim. pti. hujus scripti residenti penes dict: Michaellem abbatem predict: R. sigillum suum apposuit. Hiis testibus Adam de la Mare, Johanne de Estone, Pho. de Cerne, Radulpho de Foxcote, et aliis.

In the church nothing of antiquity left but some stalls about the chancell, which shews it was a collegiate church. To the parsonage belongs a little manor in the village. Here is, in the green, a very fair church-house, where at Midsummer is a famous revell.

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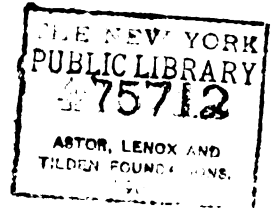
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PART 2.



In the Hundred of Chippenham are

The Burough of Chippenham, Mouncton, Foggam Street, et Harnwish, Sheldon, Langeley Burel, Bremhill, Titherton Lucas, Foxham, Stanley, Nethermore.

Langley Burel.

Carta Johannis Burel facta M. Abbati, de una crofta in Langley Burel.

Sciunt &c. quod ego Johannes Burel, vendidi et concessi domino Michaeli abbati Glastonie et successoribus suis unam croftam in villa de Langelegh Burel que vocatur *Penicroft* que jacet intra croftam Johannis Molendinarii & croftam Walteri de la Yate. Tenend. et habend. libere &c. reddendo sex denarios in vigilia pasche vel infra octabis pasche pro omni servicio seculari &c. Pro hac autem concessione mea dedit michi predictus abbas quatuor marcas argenti in *Gersumma* præ manibus. His testibus Domino Johanne de Estingdone, Willielmo de Haywode, Milone de Langelèghe et multis aliis.

Mem. In this Parish is a place called Watling-street. q. de hoc.

In the Church in the West Window is this figure of great antiquity, of a Knight in a Robe, girt, and standing on a horse, Or, holding on his left arm a half Shield, Barry of 12 A, and Az. a chief Or. (Vide No. 52.)

It is likely that this is the figure of Johannes Burel. It is in very old glass work. M. Painting in glass came into England, but in King John's time, (Mr. Dugdale) and the carta above was in H. 3.

Mem. vid. iterum the coat if the chief be Or. and what colour the 2 Mulletts be,

B

My brother Wm. says that in this chief are 3 Mulletts of 6 points, pierced, sans colour, and that there are 2 shields more which I did not see, like Powlet and Courtney.

Mem. that in the old time there was a way of donation of Lands by a Horne. e. g. Ulphus, a ruler in Deira, being old and childless, came to the High Altar at St. Peter's, at Yorke, kneeled down and drank wine out of a Horne, and then layed it on the Altar, and thereby gave all his Lands to God, and St. Peter: the likeness of this Horne is in stone, in several places of the side of the choire which he built. The Horn itself Thomas Lord Fairfax hath amongst his rarities. But the Horne here appears to be a hunting Horne: perhaps he was a Raunger or Lieutenant of some Forest about these parts. Vide Ola. Wormii. Mon. Danica. where is mention of Hornes.

In the East Window of the North Aisle are these.

53. A. lion ramp. G. on a border. . 10 c. crosslets

54. 2 Keys in saltire, & a. in pale.

In the Chancel two seates only, and a piece of an old freestone Monument. A black Marble gravestone, with but the Inscription now illegible. In the Wall between the Church and Chancell, a Hole, I suppose for confession.

In the South Aisle in stone in the wall are these Escutcheons. (*V. App.* 55. On a chev. 3 estoiles—56. as in 54—57. 3 sickles conjoined in fess.

In the South side of the Church, are 2 Coats in wood. (*vide Appendix, No. 58. 59.*)

In the North Aisle, in wood, (*vide Appendix. No. 60. 61. 62.63. 64.*)

Mem. In a Book that was Mr. Camdens, [his own hand, of the Arms in Westminster Abbey,] now in the hands of John Saintlow, Esq., of in the County of Dorset, this shield, which is the seale to the original Deed of Samuel Ashe, Esq., dated 3 Eliz. (*vide Appendix, No. 65.*)

The Bells were cast 1607, so nothing of Antiquity there.

In the Church-yard, on the South side of the Church lye two Sisters in a freestone Monument. There was a Canopie of stone over them, not long since taken away. These two Sisters were Benefactors to the repairing the Causeway towards Keelway's Bridge. q. of the gift of Maud Heath,

for the repairing of Keelway's Bridge &c.

In the Church-yard wall is an ancient covering of a gravestone. Mr. Hughes, of Wooton Bassett, says that here was lately digged up the figure in stone of him that built this Church.

Anno Domini 1652, was printed a book for Ralph Smith, at the sign of the Bible in Cornhill, called the *Wiltshire Rant*, being a Narrative of the most unparalleled Profane Actings, Counterfeit Repentings, and Evil Speakings of Thomas Webb, pretended Minister of Langeley Burell, (intruder to Henry Norborne, B. D.) by Edward Stokes, Esq., of Titherton Lucas. The zealots of these parts were come to that degree of perfection, that they might use one another's wives in common. There was such Blasphemy and uncleanness among them, (all which is sett forth in this book, by the author, a sober prudent person,) that in after ages 'twill scarcely be believed: most of the parties I myself knew. The Bacchanalia of the Romans were not more licentious.

Keilways.

Abon.

q. if this was ever a Parish. They have a tradition here that a Queen lay in here.

Cadnam is in Brenhill Parsh.

Cadnam belonged to the Priory of St. Maries, juxta Kington St. Michael, given by..... Since the dissolution of the Abbeyes it hath been in the possession of the Hungerfords, a younger branch of the Hungerfords of Downe Ampney. In Christian Malford Parish is a Mill, called St. John's Mill, by High Bridge, (q. if it did not belong to the Priory :) it belongs now to Cadnam, and payed no tithes to the Parson of the Parish. Resp. here was a Mill given to the Priory of Bradenstoke by Ralph Lavel, of Clive, 16. H. 3.—*vid. Mon. T. 2. p. 209.*

Here follow Arms and Quarterings of Hungerford, vide appendix. No. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73

Forham, in the Parish of Bremhill.

Bremhill.

North Aisle. East Window.

Col. 1. a woman kneeling, with a white veile and blew habit, a skarfe white, seme with gutté de poix. An escutcheon Or. 2 bends G.....
et Elizabeth.....ejus.

2. broken.

3. a man kneeling by the Escutcheon, in blew and red robes: the Escutcheon G. on a bend Azure, 3 swans, and 2 mullets. Underneath written, **Robertus Russell.**

The windowe is full of good old glass painting: being the 5 works of mercy, as buriall of the dead &c: on the dead corps is a cross flory.

In the south Aisle, in the top of the East windowe, **Orate p. aia Jo-
 his. beth.** He is drawne in green, kneeling like Judge Littleton, and a woman is drawn by him. In this Aisle are 12 Columnes, wherein are finely painted the 12 Apostles, every one with his Symbol of the Creed, and his cognizance in his hand. In this Aisle is this Coate in severall places, viz. Or. a Lyon Rampant, double tayled, Sab. All the windowes have been very good. This Coat I also find in very old glass at Sir Richard Knight's house, at Chawton, in Hampshire. imp. with G. Lyon Rampant, Arg.

In the Chancell is an altar monument of Hungerford of Cadnam, modern, viz. since the Reformacion, and 2 Inscriptions of..... Trimnells; One of them was master of the Pettiebagg Office, who died 1640. In the middle, lies an old marble gravestone, called the Parson's stone .v. ye Inscription on it is in the Saxon character.

Mem. that Bremhill did belong to the Abbey of Malmesbury. v. Mss.

Stodeley.

Stodeley belonged to the Priory of St. Maries juxta Kington St. Michael, given by.....

Titherington Lucas, &c.

The Church here is a Chapell of ease to Chippenham. In it I find nothing of antiquity. It hath been a good while in the possession of Stokes and Barret *divisim*. Here are found stones like hafts of Knives, dimly transparent, having a seame on one side, called Belemnites.

Arms of Stokes & Barrett (*Appendix* No. 74. 75.)

Titherington Keilwayes.

From Keilwayes it came to the Long's of **Dracot**, by.....

Mem. Both these **Titheringtons** exceeding rich soile.

Arms of Keilways (*V.* No. 76.)

Stanley.

Qy. Who was the Founder of **Stanleigh Abbey**. I have been told it was Mawd the Empress, and that one Anstey or Ansted was the last Abbot here, and one of that name had lately £60. per annum out of it from Sir Edward Baynton. whose land it now is. It is very rich land, and lies by the River's side, but in a place in the winter time altogether unpleasant. Here is now scarce left any vestigium of Church or House.

Mem. Old Mr. Ansted, (natus 1588,) told me he was born in this Abbey.

Mem. Lechmore, of the Middle Temple, has taken notes out of an old Deed of a Farme, or Estate that the Abbot of this Convent had assigned for his Concubine, for her life, and to his children by her. M. Pury, of Gloucester has the very original Deed, *quod vide*.

Arms of Anstie quartering Baynton, Daudley, Beauchamp, Roach, Delamere, and Wauton, (*vide Appendix*, No. 77)

1. Anstie. 2. Baynton. 3. Daudley. 4. Beauchamp.
5. Roach. 6. De la Mase. 7. Wauton. 8. Anstie.

.... Anstie, d. of
of Bromham, Esq.

Sir Edward Baynton, Eliz. d. of Sir John
of Bromham, Knight, Subard. of Suff. Kt.

Wm. Anstie, d. of ... Crew.
of Bromham, Esq.

Andrew Baynton-Philippa, d. of
..... Brelite

William Anstie-Ann, d. and sole h. of
of Bromham, Esq. Andrew Baynton, Esq.

John Anstie, Katherine, d. of Sir Robt. Payne,
of Egham, Esq., of Midlawe, in Huntingdonshire, Kt.

John Wheeler-Hanna Anstie, only child,
obit. a. p. now living. 1658.

Chippenham.

In the North side of the Chancell is an Altar Tombe, on which are 2 Escutcheons. *Appendix*, No. 78. 79.

In the East Window, 2 chevrons betw. 3 roundels. *qu.* if Wroton.

In Hungerford Chapell, South Window, are 4 coats, *vide Appendix*, No. 80. 81. 82. 83.

Underneath this Windowe is a worshipfull Monument of Baynton, sans Inscription. The Escutcheon hath mantling and crest, viz. the Griffons head crazed, S. on the side is A. B. (Andrew Baintum,) at the head, 1579. *Arms quarterly, vide Appendix*, No, 84.

In the middle of this Chapell lies a faire flatt marble stone, which had the effigies of two persons, and an Inscription underneath, and at the head two Escutcheons. Under this stone lies (I suppose) the Hungerford that erected this Chapell, where questionless was a Chantry. *Qu.* what Hungerford it was, and when. The roof is extraordinarily richly gilded.

On the roof in the middle, is this coat (*See App.* No. 85).

At the East end is this (*See App.* No 86) and at the West end, these (*vide Appendix*, No. 87. 88, 89.

In the glass this supporter, viz. a Raven volant collar'd and chayned, Or. is common in the old windows at **Chippenhām.**

Vide Appendix. No. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97.

Here lieth the bodie of Thomas Hungerford the sonne of Anthony Hungerford of the Lea, Gent. who departed this life August 15th, 1665, aged 29 years.

These coates above were in the window which was spoiled by Sr Gilbert Prinne's Monument.

Sir G. Prinne & his Lady are in Effigie with this Inscrip: "To the memorie of Sr Gilbert Prinne, Knight, who married Mary, ye eldest daughter of Jayne Davys, daughter to Sr Wymond Cary, Kt. Lord Warden of the Stanneries, Master of the first fruites office and Knight of ye Bathe. The said Sr Gilbert Prinne having issue by the said Mary his wife 7 children 2 sonnes & 5 daughters, 5 of wch 2 sonnes & 3 daughters are dead, the other 2 daughters namely the eldest of all Frances is married to Francis Seymour Kt. youngest sonne of the Lord Beauchamp, and the second daughter named *Seymour* married to Sr George Hastings Kt. second brother to the now Earle of Huntington,

Every man's a plant and every tree
Like Man is subject to mortalitie
These branches dead and fallen away are gone
From us untill the resurrection.
These grafted thus by Wedlocks sacred dome
God grant may flourish till those other come.

Vide the Monument for the rest of the Inscription.

Arms of Prynne O. a fess engrailed Az. betw. 3 escallops G.

The Crest a Falcon's head issuing out of a crown Or.

Under the young Ladies are these Arms. Seymour impaling Prynne, Hastings impaling Prynne, Davys impaling Carew.

Vide Appendix, No. 98. 99. 100.

In the Chancell on the N. side is a very good organ loft of free stone carved: whence I guesse here was a Collegiate Ghurch.

The steeple was in danger of falling about 163.. & reedified (but not so high by about 15 foote) by Sr Francis Popham Kt. whose armes is in stone on the tower. (*Appendix* 101.)

In the North aisle against the wall is this coate by the name of Baylisse. S. a chevron between 3 Men's hearts A impaled with a chief counterchanged A & S. on a bend G. 3 white *things* inter 2 birds S. quartered with a Lyon ramp' inter 4 cross crosslets Arg'. (*Vide Appendix*, No. 102.)

In the chancell here, in the remembrance of the Sexton, was an organ, the place where it stood is of good old free stone worke. They say it was sold to Lacock.

The Charter for making it a Corporation and to elect 2 Burghesses for Parliament, was granted by Queen Marie, who gave out the Lands of the Lord Hungerford attainted a great quantity 'e....g. meadows worth . . .per annum. (*For the Arms of Chippenham Town. V. Appendix*, No. 103.)

This Towne did stand in the Pewsham Forest, which was disforrested about the year of Our Lord 16...

The Poor People have made this Rythme :

Where Chipnam stood
In Pewshams wood
Before it was destroyed,
A Cowe might have gone for a groate a yeare,
But now it is denyed.

Robert Smyth of the White Harte of Chippenham remembers when he was a boy about 60 years since. the going of a Cowe in Pewsham Forest for 4d a yeare, and pigges cost nothing the going: the order was how many they could winter they might summer.

Mem : Mr. Jo: Power told me heretofore that in Chippenham forest was Vitriol : *quod* N.B. I thinke he sayed he had that information from his Uncle Penne who was an ingenious Person, and a good Chymist.

In Chippenham Parish is a spring called *Holy-well*. Medicinal waters were anciently (before Christ's time and since) dedicated to some Deity or saint to whom they imputed the virtue, being ignorant of the Mineral that impregnated it. The name of this well made me anxious to try it, and by pre-

cipitation of one-third of a pint of it with a strong Lixivium in 12 hours space I found a sediment of about the quantity of a small nutt-shell, somewhat turning to yellow, the particles as big as powder of freestone pounded for scowering. By Evaporation a pint of the said water yielded a sediment of the colour of Cullen earth. *Memd.* Infusion of Galls altered not the colour of the water at all. I think I have been told the water is good for the eyes. Q: Mr. Th: Neale de hoc. v. Lokington. Hankoks-well of which kind this seems to be:

Mem. At Chippenham is a little Manor belonging to the Bayntuns about St. Mary Street.

(Kn. Edgar) "The Twelve-tyde following, all Oathes forgotten, the Danes came to Chippenham in Wiltshire, dispeopling the country round, dispossessing some, driving others beyond the sea. A.D. 878."—*J. Milton's History.*

Mem. in street, behind the Church, in the house where Mr. Goldney lives, of ancient building; are these 3 escutcheons, in painted glasse, in the windowes.

1. Beauchamp quartering Delamare and Roche.—2. Long, impaling Az. 2 bends Or. a border engrailed G.—3. A 3 bars G. (*App.* 104. 105. 106.)

Rowden House

In the parish of Chippenham, was a large well built Gothique house, square, and a court within; about the house a mote; a fair hall very well furnished with armour. Here were a number of scutcheons in the windows. This was a Garrison in the late civill wars for the Parliament, where Col. Stephens, of Estington, in Gloucestershire, was Governor: it was taken by A.D. 164., and burnt. In the walles of the court are these escutcheons, in stone, as at Farleigh Castle; *ris*.....

Mounkton juxta Chippenham

belonged to the Mounkes, at Mounkton Farleigh, given by

Cockleborough juxta Mounkton.

The inhabitants say it was anciently a Borough. It hath its denomination from the petrified cockles which are in great plenty found in the stones here. Anciently London road was here, which is nearer than Chippenham, and in a straight line from Bristowe.

Hardinhuish.

Allington.

The Chapell (or then perhaps Church), where the pidgeon-house stands now, the pidgeon-house being part of it. It was dedicated to St. The Revell is kept the Sunday after Holyroode day, 14th of September.

This Manor belonged to the Monks, at Mounkton-Farleigh, given by

Fowleswick.

Here is an ancient house with a faire mote about, and with cross-barred windowes then, according to the fashion of the old times, which

were so infested with robbers and housebreakers. The retayners here, well fed, and led an idle lazie life; hence those evils. *q. J. Arch.* if this did not anciently belong to the Abbey of Wallingford.

Sheldon=Farme.

Part of the possession of the Lord Hungerford's, where, in the windowes, when I was a boy, were several of the Scutcheons.

Hubba's=lowe.

“In the reign of King Ethelred, Hinguor and Hubba, two brothers, (Danes) Leaders, who had gott footing among the E. Angles. These Pagans, Asserius saith, came from Danubius. Bruern, a nobleman, whose wife King Osbert had ravished, called in Hinguor and Hubba to revenge him.”—*J. Milton's History, page 233.*

➔ See, concerning this place, in an old edition of Stowe, which Sir Ch: Snell showed me, when I was a fresh-man.

Datton Keynell.

The soil clay and stoney. In the ploughed lands store of Yarrowe, in the feeding grounds of Woodwax, and in several grounds, Centuary and Woodsorrell, &c., sowre plants. Lady's bedstrawe. Here is a Tile quarry.

In the partition, between the Church and Chancell, which is of very curious gothique worke in freestone, are these escutcheons.

1. Keynell, on a fess betw. 3 arrows bendwise 3 black amores' heads.
2. Yévelton: (*forte*) 2 bars nebulée and a border.
3. Chaterton, a griffon-segreant. (*Appendix*, 107. 108. 109.)

Mem. Here were of the Lovells living in my grandfather Lyte's dayes, their house was the handsome old built howse by Pennypoole.

In the East windowe, on the South side, is the coate of Hall. S. 3 battle-axes A. (*Appendix*, 110.)

On a pillar, on a stone scutcheon, is, S. on a fess Or. 3 blackamores' heads. On the other side, in a stone escutcheon, G a chevron A. between 3 bulls' heads Sab.; and two other seutcheons seraped out.

I have heard my grandfather say that when he went to school in this Church, in the S. windowe of the Chancell, were several escutcheons, which a herald, that passed by, tooke note of, which window is now dammed up with stones, and now no memorie left of them.

On the first Bell this Inscription:

ETERNIS ADIS RESONET CAMPANA JOHANNIS

Yatton Keynell, commonly called West Yatton, is in this parish. At East Combe are the names of Keynel still. I have a Release of Thomas Keynel, the sonne of William Keynel, of Yatton Keynell, to his brother Henry Keynel, of all his estate in the parish of Yatton Keynell. Dat. Anno Reg. Philipp. et Marie dei gracia &c. primo et secundo. The witnesses names writt by the scribes, not by themselves.

Mem. Almost at the lower end of the Corrigure was the ruines of a Chapell, till about 165... I think there was a Hermitage by it, but a pleasanter Romancy place I know not easily where to find. Yatton Revell is at St. James's tide.

Mem. Keynes of Dorset and Somerset porte, Az. a bend undeé cotised Argt. Keynes: G. bezante, a chief Ermine.

Note. A Tenant of my father's here, one goodwife Miller, did dentre (i.e. had young teeth) in the eighty-fifth yeare of her age, or more; this

was about 1644. The like is recorded of the old Countess of Desmond, in Ireland, who lived to the age of yeares.—*v. y^t. hist.*

Castle Combe.

The Castle stands on a hill, North from the Towne, about a quarter of a mile, the area of it is about six acres; there are within the compasse of it divisions, in one whereof, ('tis by tradition) that there was kept the market. And on the hills in the park, were, Ao. 1645, felled many a gallant oak.

In the Church, in the North Aisle, is in the wall a handsome monument of a Chevalier lying crossed-legged, viz. right leg over the left, and mayled about the head, and armoured like the Knts. in the Temple-Church; at his feet a beast, doubtfull if a Lion or a Bear, but I guesse the former. On the side of this Monument, in 6 niches, stand so many little figures. Upon the Altar, Scroop. A. Saltire G. Badlesmere quarterly *Hevoulnes*. * *sic in transcript.*

In the East Windowe of the Chancell there was (lately defaced) the coate of Sir *John Falstaffe*, who was second husband to Millicent, wife to Sir Stephen le Scrope, and daughter of Sir Robert Tiptoft. The coate is quarterly Or. et Argt. on a bend Gules, 3 crosses patee of the 1st.

The Tower is strong and stately. On the great Bell thus: **Sante Gregory ora pro nobis**; on the other two Bells nothing. Behind the Chancell is a strong place, perhaps for preserving records.

In the East Aisle, on the wall:—"Remedium unicum Jesus Christus."

Jesus Christ is the only salve for every sore,
 Learne him aright, you need to learn no more.
 Ricardus Gillus obiit nono die Januarie, 1588,

The Castle, (whereof now remains the Toft) strongly seated on a steep hill, was demolished in the time of the Danes; Jo. Scrope, Esqr. hath some old writings that mention so much.

Market House. Staple for Wool.

Here were jura Regalia.

The Gallows stood in, several old men, yet living, remember it.

Here is a peculiar for Probat. of Wills.

On St. George's day a fair. very famous for sheep.

Ex MSS. Harleiano : viz. Leiger Book of the E. of March.

John de Tibetot married Margaret, the fourth daughter, and heir, of Egidius Badlesmere. He had to his wife's Dividend, *inter cætera*, Oxenden, cum pertinent. in Com. Glouc. quod ad xxvii lib. xviii. iijd. ob. Maner: de Castlecombe, cum pertinent. in Com. Wilts. quod ad xxx lib. xiii. ix. ob. Teste Edwardo duce Cornubie filio nostro carissimo Custode Anglie apud Kenington. He had also the advowson of the Church of Castle Combe aforesaid ad viginti et sex libras xiijs. iijd.

The place of the Martyrdome of St. Oswald.

In the next parish is a memorable antiquity, which though in another countie, viz Gloucestershire, I cannot let passe. It is a Circle about 12 paces in diameter. Within the Circle is a stone. In my grandfather's remembrance the country people here, about Wraxall, Ford, &c., even as far Auburne, when they pent their sheep at night in the fold,

“ Did pray to God and St. Oswald

“ To bring their sheep safe from the fold,”

and in the morning

“ Did pray to God and St. Oswald

“ To bring the sheep safe to the fold.”

Mem. In Worcestershire is a Hundred, called Oswald's lowe, perhaps he was buried here. It is certain that a most rich shrine was dedicated to him in the Cath. Ch. at Worcester.

Mem. This was the shrine of St. Oswald, Bishop of Worcester, not St. Oswald the King.

Oswald, the most Christian King of the Northumbers, had reigned nine years when he was slaine at that great battle of **Maresfelth* of the Pagan people and Pagan king of the Mercians (Penda) by whom also his predecessor, Edwin, was killed, in the thirty-eighth year of his age, on the †5th day of August. The miracles of his virtues, after his death, declare his great devotion and faith towards God. For in that very place, where fighting for his country, he was slaine by the Pagans, to this very day cease not to be done cures on infirme men and cattle. Hence it comes to passe, that many carrying away the dust, where his body fell to the ground, and putting it in water, have received much benefitt for their infirmities: which custome so increased, that by little and little, the earth being thus fetched away, there was left a *pitt*|| of the depth of a man's height. §Many miracles are said to have been here done by the dust of the place; but we will relate only two, which we have heard our forefathers speak of; one is of a tired and sick horse, on which one rode in his journey near this place, who falling downe very much spent, insomuch that his rider took off the saddle, not expecting his life; after some tumbling he got to this place, where the king fell down dead; so in a short time, his paines ceasing, became perfectly well, and grazed on the downe; which the owner seeing, being a man of quick witt, understood that in that place must be something of wonderfull sanctity, and, setting there a mark, mounts his horse, and comes to the inn where he intended to lodge; when being come he finds a young mayd (neice to the host of the house) greivously sick of the palsy, which she had a long time; the host lamenting his neice's infirmity, the guest presently discoursed of the place where his horse was

* Maresfelth. Bede's Eccles. Hist, Lib. III. cap. IX. and this is doubtless *vitium scriptoris* for Maresfelth (,) campus equestris.

† Canonized that day in the Almanack.

|| The middle is excavated.

§ This Monument is not above perches from the roade to Maresfield southwards, and about a quarter of a mile from Marsfield.

cured; to be short, to that place they brought her, and then laid her downe, where she slumbered a little, and when she awaked she found herself to be cured of that dissolution of her body; and, having called for some water, washed her face herself, and combed her hair, dressed her head, and returned home, on foote, sound, with those that brought her thither.

Beda Eccles. hist. lib. III. cap. II. "King Oswald obteyned a great victorie over the Duker, a leader of the Britons, at a place called Hefonfeld near the Picts-wall; where, a little before the fight began, he erected a wooden crosse, of whose chippes and mosse many sick men and cattle were healed; and particularly one of the friars of the Church of Hagulstad, who brake his arme, slipping on the ice, sent for some of the mosse of the said crosse, and putt in his bosome; waking in the middle of the night, he found himself as sound as if he had never been hurt. In this place (Hefonfeld) the friars of Hagulstade Church (not far from hence) have for a long time made a custome to come every year, the day before King Oswald was slayne, "*vigilias pro salute animæ ejus facere,*" to keep a *nake*, for the health of his soule, "*plurimaque psalmorum laude celebrata, victima pro eo mane sacræ oblationis offerre,*" which good custom increasing, there is lately built a Church and dedicated." *q.* If this is not the rise of Revells? *v.* Durandi rituale de hoc. *q.* Mr. Elias Ashmole, &c.

Mem. Marsfield belonged to the Abbey of Cainsham, not far off in Somersetshire. After the Dissolution, Thos. Earle of Sussex, had it. Ghostlowe bought one part; Webb bought Ashwick. &c. The Parsonage belongs to New Colledge, in Oxon. *q.* if they have other lands, &c. *q.* A. Wood, de hoc.

North-Marshall.

This was formerly a Commandery.

At the Parsonage House was a great many scalop-shells Or. in the

windowes, and I think I remember Malett's coate there, viz. B. 3 Escallops Or. They say Malette had it, or something to do here, heretofore. The Mannour House hath been ruined a long time; remains yet the ruins of a pigeon house.

In the Church, North Aisle, East windowe, is the picture of a man, the head and shoulders mailed, he wears or bears a coate of armes, as also a scutcheon, which is Ermine 2 barres G. He hath a loose flying coate comes below his knee, his legges are mailed and heels spurred; in his hand he holds a kind of staffe, like a pilgrim's, as high as his ear; underneath his feet lies a lady all along.

In this Aisle is the battered monument, in freestone, of a crossed-legged Kt. with a shield by his side, but *sans charge*. The inhabitants say it is the Monument of Sir Geoffrey of Wraxall, of whose name here is frequent mention.

q. The habit of a Kt. Templar, and what kind of flying coate it is comes downe belowe the knee. There was no doubt some story of Kt. Errantry did belong to this picture.

Mem. The Knight's garment under his coate of Maile, is white, and it is so likewise in the Knight's picture at Langley Burell.

Mr. Wythe's ordinary—nomine S. Walter Bavent; Nugent, Baron of Delvyn, in Ireland; Butler, of Gloucestershire; Lord Mauduit—all give this coate. Parson Wilkinson's Booke.

N.B. **Burywood*** is a campe with double workes (ergo not Roman but British) very large, and the graffes are very deep, notwithstanding the rocke. It hath an aperture towards Colerne downe West. It stands on a kind of Promontory, and every other side is well secured by the precipice.

A prettie clear little streame runs on the rock, and gravell in each bottome.

Mem. In the Church here Sir Wm. Button, Kt. & Baronet—the father built, 165. . . , a vault in the N. Aisle, where he and his sonne Sir Wm., and his Lady, Iye buried. There is no Monument set up for them, but the

* *q.* If this is in Wraxall or Colerne Parish.

penons, which are now dropping, and though nothing of antiquity, yet for pitie, and for they were my very worthy friends, I will here sett them downe, *viz.*

The crest of Button, a Ducal Cap.

1 Button, Ermine a fess G. quartering. 1. A. a lion r. S. crowned O. a border, S. bezante.—2. O. 3 piles Az. a label of 3 G.—3. G. a chev. betw. 3 morions A.—4. Erm. on a pile G. a li. p. g. O.—5. G. a bend betw. 6 cross-crosslets, O.

2 Dunch of Avebury, S. a chev. O. betw. 3 castles, A. quartering 1. A. 2 bars G. betw. 6 lozenges S.—2 A. a cross flory G.

3 *Button impaling Lambe of Coulston, A. a li. p. g. betw. 3 mullets.

4 Button impaling Dunch, wife to Sir Wm. the father.

5 Button impaling Rolles, O. on 3 lozenges in fess Az. betw. 6 billets, Az. charged with a li. r. O. 3 escallops O.

6 Rolles impaling Dennys, G. a bend Az. betw. 3 leop. heads jessant O. (*App. No. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117.*)

Ford in Wraxall Parish.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Wills. Yve de la *Ford* dedi concessi, &c. Johanni Coule unam domum in la Ford que sita est inter ortum meum qui *More* appellatur et vicum, cum uno curtilagio adjacente continente per acram septem perticas, et decem pedes, et per vicum sex perticas; cum duabus acris terre arabilis quarum una jacet in campo boreali vocato Woneakr Mutrigge et Lurecomberbrooke. In campo vero australi Mithe acre cum hamis adjacentibus jacet juxta Donenecombesbroke et tum capud extendit se super croftam Alicie la Litele. Habend. et tenend. &c.

* This coate of Button is also borne by the name of Isley, as also Erm. a bend G. In the North side of Welles Cath. Ch. in a windowe, towards the Chapter-house, is this coate twice.

pro hac autem donacione, michi Johes. dedit præ manibus duas marcas sterlingorum. Hiis testibus. Domino Galfrido de Wrokeshale milite. Ricardo Yve, Thoma de Pedewortha, Th. Cayley, Walt. filio Willielmi de Biedestone, Johanne Keynel, Johanne de Combe, Ricardo Keynel, Willielmo filio Galfridi de Littleton, clerico, et multis aliis. Dat. apud la Ford die Sabbati in festo beati Bartholomei apostoli, Anno Regni Regis Edwardi vicesimo quinto.

On the Seal a quater foil. The inscription **WILLELMVS FVE.** (*App.* No. 118.)

West Kington.

On the South Aisle of the Church, on the wall—

“ O mi dere children marke what I say,
 “ Your mother’s bones truly are wrapt up in clay,
 “ Her soule no doupte, to heven is gone thither,
 “ Where we most joyfully shall meet alltogether.
 “ The Lord be your guide, the Lord be your strength,
 “ And give you his special grace at length;
 “ You gentle readers remember your end,
 “ Bee true unto such whom faithfull you find;
 “ Let this be example and tell hitt abroad,
 “ How faithfull this woman died in the Lord.

A short figure in a cap and gowne with no inscription.

Underneath is a gravestone, of freestone, with this inscription :

“ Rest in the Lord most loving wife
 “ Thy daies are spent and gonne,
 “ Thy husband’s race and end of life
 “ Shall be God knoweth how soon.
 “ Though death hath doon the worst he can
 “ To part us twayn a space,
 “ Yet time will come to meet again

“ In heaven that joyfull place.
 “ With bitter teares thy husband spake
 “ These words upon thy tombe,
 “ His hand did write, thes vers did make,
 “ To show in tyme to cum
 “ How faithfull thou hast been to m.,
 “ And haddest six children dear,

"Within six yeare a marvell to see
 "All borne one time of yeare;
 "The seaveath also in like manner,
 "If death had not them lett,
 "Borne had been as the other wear,
 "At Midsummer time direct.
 "Alas how should it chance so bad
 "To littil babes so young,
 "To tell in time what losse they had

"Bi nature w . . . they sprong.
 "But God is he who giveth life,
 "And he that takes away,
 "Let us therefore avoyd all strife
 "And geve ourselves to pray.
 "Thy children's names if men would know,
 "Which God hath given to thee,
 "Behold are writen here below
 "In order as they be.

"Thomas, William, Elizabeth, Ferdinando, George, Thomas."

About these verses, in the Limbe, thus: "Here lieth Judeth Prator, wife of Anthony Prator, gentilman, daughter unto Thomas Ivie, Esqr., who died the sixth day of February, Anno Domini 1578."

Arms of Prater, S. 3 fox heads eras. A. on a chief O. a li. pass. S. a martlett for diff. (*App. No. 119.*)

In this parish is a downe, called Ebdowne, westward from the Church, where is a Roman Campe, acres, and opposite to it another lesser Roman Camp. *Vid. χορογραφ. antiq.*

King Charles the First drank of the spring there.

Littleton=Drew.

In the South side of the Church here, is a monument, in the wall, of a woman Drew.

The South windowe of about H. 4.

The inhabitants say that the South part of the Church was built by Drew about 200 years since †. The North side was built by the parish.

Anciently the Parish Church was a mile and a halfe from hence in the place called Dunley Chapell, and for convenience the Lord of the Mannour and parishioners agreed to build the Church here.

From the Drews this Mannour came to the Mompessons and Welles by two coheires, so they divided, and Wells had it, and about 165. ., sold

it to the Lord Herbert, of Chepstowe, eldest sone of the E. of Worcester.
q. if Kingswood men came to Dunley to offer.

Kington.

In the Church is nothing of antiquity; old windowes like those of King-ton St. Michael, and Sarum Cathedrall, whence it is to be judged that it was built about that time (i. e.) a little after the finishing of Sarum Cathedrall Church.

In this village is a fine spring called Hancock's-well, which is mentioned by Dr. Childrey in his *Britannia Baconica*. Being precipitated by a lixivium of potashes, it yields a sediment of nitre, turning a little to yellow, (i. e.) a kind of fine flower of such a colour. The vertues of it testified by Mr. Fitzherbert, Lord of the Mannour, Mr., Minister there, and other inhabitants: It cures the Itch and Scabb; heats in young people in their leggs and thighs; it hath done much good to the eies.

It is so extremely cold that in summer one cannot long endure one's hand in it.

Mem. I find stone of deep blue marle hereabout, which sort of marle much abounds with nitre.

I tried this water also by evaporation of two quarts, and it yielded as above. In the blue marle is often a vitriolate wood, black and burning like coal.

Aldrington.

The Mannour House here is of the fashion of Bradfield, which was the common way of building gentlemen's houses in those dayes. (*See Part 1, p. 44*)

In the Hall, (which is open) on the carved screen, these four escutcheons :

Gore, G. 3 bulls' heads cabossed S. *Mem.* This is the coate which Thomas Gore, Esqr., now gives. His oldest deeds are thus, without a chevron, and it is so confirmed by Mr. Camden.

1. Gore impaling Keynell. 2. Gore impaling Whitokesmead.
3. Gore, a chevron betw. 3 bulls' heads cabossed.
4. Keynell impaling Hall. (*App.* No. 120. 121. 122. 123.)

In the windowes, of old glasse, in the Hall :

1. Gore impaling Hall. 2. Gore impaling Stonrton.
3. Gore impaling Whitokesmead. 4. Gore impaling Keynell.
5. Gore alone, with the chevron. 6. Gore impaling Jennings.
7. Gore impaling White. (*App.* No. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130.)

In the Church.

In the top of the West windowe these two coates :

1. Gore with the chevron. 2. Gore with chev. impaling Keynell.
- App.* No. 131. 132.)

In the Chancell, on the North side, above a gothique Altar Monument, this Inscription, *viz.*

Of your Charity pray for the Soule of **THOMAS GORE**, Esquire, late Lord of this Towne, the which deceased the 4th. day of July, Anno Dni. 1537. On whose Soule Jhu. have mercy. Amen.

On the Monument are these coates :

1. Gore impaling Hall. 2. Gore impaling Keynell. 3. Gore single.
4. Keynell single. 5. Gore impaling White. (*App.* No. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137.)

In the Chancell, under a faire marble, this Inscription :

Here lies the body of Anne James, third daughter of Edward Gore, Esqr. by Eliz. his wife, who married Gyles James, of Great Sherston, in Com. Wilts, Merchant, who departed this mortall life on Sunday the 4th of Oct. 1629. Expectans expectavi.—*Psal.* 40.

(With Jacob's Raehael I (a James his wife)

Waited full long before our married life,

In me it was a matchless expectation,
 More tedious far than matches consummation,
 Which once enjoyed, and scarce three yeares in all,
 A linge sicknes rid me out of thrall;
 I waited still, and waiting gave God praise
 That had so fitted me for Heaven, where
 My soule now rests, as doth my bodie here.

Usque quo Domine. Apocal. 6. 10.

Veni Domine Jesu. Apocal. 22. 20.

One of her sexe's worthies here doth lye,
 A wife, a patterne to posteritie;
 To husband loyall, gracious unto all,
 Pious to God, to the poore most liberal.

Here lies interred Lydia, * the wife of Charles Gore, of Aldrington, Esqr, who dyed the 3rd day of Jan. Anno Dni. 1654. On a freestone are two plates of brasse on which are her husband's coate and her own. On the other this Epitaph:

“ Reader if thou hast a tear,
 Do not grudge to drop it here,
 Think not that it can fall alone,
 Floods are due unto this stone;
 Here lies (ah how that word doth pierce
 And double black's the mournfull hearse.)
 Vertue's faire copie, Heaven's delight,
 Not fitt for men's but angels' sight,
 In whose pure breast sweet innocence

(Exil'd by most) found sure defence,
 Where no black thought, the sire of shame,
 (Charmed by her vertues' magique) came;
 Lov'd by the rich, the poor did blesse
 Her as their sovereign almonesse;
 Wife, Mother, Friend; better no age
 E're showed upon the world's stage.
 Then Reader if thou hast a tear,
 Thou canst not chuse but drop it here.”

Dr. Tully.

In the wall, on the South side, is a little freestone figure of a child kneeling, with this inscription: “ Here lies the body of Charles Gore, eldest sonne of Charles Gore, Esqr., who dyed the 3d day of Sept. 1628.

Hic jacet ingenii splendor, pietatis amator,
 Vita, morte, pius, cum tamen ipse Puer.”

* White.

N. One in commendation of him hath inserted this Distich in the Register Booke, viz.

“Haeres patris eram, Matris virtutibus haeres
Mansuetus, blandus, cum pietate comis.”

“Elizabeth Gore, 3d. dau. of Charles Gore, Esqr., departed this mortall life April 14, 1641,” upon whose gravestone thus:

“So rare a piece for beauty, grace, and witt,
Though God had showed us, yet he thought
not fit
For us to gaze upon too long; 'twas he

That tooke her to himself, himself to see;
Admired she was by all that did behold her,
Much more shall be, when God anew shall
mould her.”

By Mr. Parson Noble, of Sutton Benger.

On a brasse plate in a Monument erected in the S. Wall by Charles Gore's Monument:

“*Psalm* 116. 15.—Precious in the sight of the Lord are the death of his Saintes.”

“Here lieth the bodies of Charles Gore, aged 6 yeares and 18 weekes; Edw Gore, aged 9 weekes; Mary Gore, aged 1 yeare and 14 weekes; Anna Gore, aged 12 weekes; and Elizabeth Gore, aged 4 yeares and one monthe (all children of Charles Gore, of Alderton, and Lydia, his wife), expecting the second coming of Christ.

Malachy 3. 17.—They shall be mine, saith the Lord of Hoastes, in the day when I make up my Jewells.

Jewells of price this place contains,
As a choice Cabinet, the Remaines
Of those sweet soules; all of a Race,
Which now in Heaven have their place.

Mr. Noble.

Parens uterque mærens posuit, Anno Domini 1641.”

On the wall, in the South Aisle, these Inscriptions:

“Here lies the body of Anna, the wife of William James, Gent., who departed this life xxth day of December, 1636.”

Dear Saint of God! to whom in life most deare,
God's howse and messengers and servants were,
The holy things of God most precious all,
Precious with God her death and burial;
Her soule enlarg'd and sett at libertie

The seaventeenth yeare of her captivitie,
If evidence for Heaven be truth of grace
Then sure in Heaven this matron hath a place;
Let after ages say, when this is gon,
Blest be the memorie of such a one.

Next to this an Epitaph erected to the memorie of William James, Gent. who departed this life the 28th of March, 1637.

Death parteth soule and bodie, man and wife,
So as to meet again in better life,
On better termes; meanwhile our bodies must
To their first nothing turn, at best to dust,
Till glorified; our soules doe alwaies sing

All glory to the everlasting King.
Surviving friends! in life see you prepare
For life in Heaven, where no survivors are,
That when of this short life death ends the story
You sharers be with us of everlasting glory.

By Parson Noble, of Sutton Benger.

This Deed is in the custody of Thomas Gore, of Aldrington, in the county of Wilts, Esqr., descended from the beneath sayd William Gore, and Agnes, his wife. The lands are still in the possession of the said Thomas Gore, who still payeth the same annual rent:

“Hec indentura testatur quod Walterus, Dei gracia Abbas de Kyngeswode*, et ejusdem Conventus dederunt concesserunt et per presentes confirmaverunt Willmo. Gore et Agneti uxori ejus unum messuagium et duas virgatas terre cum pertinenciis in Aldryngton† una cum Redditibus et serviciis Claricie Waker, et Heredum Nichi. Waker, pro uno messuagio et una virgata terræ cum pertinenciis que ipsi de eisdem Abbate et Conventu tenent in eadem villa, quæ vero omnia predicta Messuagium terram redditus et servicia quidam Johes Cort prius tenuit. Habendum et Tenendum predicta Messuagium et duas virgatas terræ, cum Redditibus et Serviciis predictis, prefatis Willmo. Gore et Agneti, et Heredibus masculis quos idem Wills. de corpore ipsius Agnetis procreaverit, de dictis Abbate et conventu libere bene et pacifice. Reddendo inde annuatim predictis Abbati et Conventui et successoribus eorum quindecim Solidos Sterlingorum ad festa Annunciacionis Beate Marie Virginis et Sancti Michaelis Archangeli per equales porciones, et Capitalibus Dominis feodi illius et omnibus aliis omnia onera, redditus, et Servicia quæ ad predicta terram, et tenementa pertinent, et predicti Willmus. et Agnes sustentabunt et manutenebunt omnes domos predicti Messuagii in adeo bono statu sicut illas receperunt seu me-

* In agro Wiltoniensi,

† In Com. predict.

liori. Et si predictus redditus a retro fuerit in parte vel in toto post aliquem terminum prenominatum per unum mensem, quod tunc bene liceat predictis Abbati et Conventui et Successoribus eorum in predictis terris et tenementis cum pertinenciis reintrare donec eis de dicto reddito cum arreragiis plene fuerit satisfactum. Et predicti Abbas et Conventus predicta Messuagium et terram cum pertinenciis prefatis Willo, et Agneti, et heredibus masculis ut supradicitur contra omnes gentes warrantizabunt. In cujus rei testimonium uni parti indenture penes predictos Willm. et Agnetem remanenti Sigillum commune predictorum Abbatis et Conventus est appositum. Alteri vero parti penes predictos Abbatem et Conventum remanenti sigilla predictorum Willi. et Agnetis sunt apposita. Hiis testibus, Thoma Calston, Rico. Lambard, Willo. Aldeby, Nicho. Clerk, Thoma Pruet, Laur. Ivet, Willo. Paternoster, et aliis. Dat. apud Kyngeswode predictum, in domo capitulari predictorum Abbatis et Conventus vicessimo die Octobris, Anno regni regis Henrici Quarti post Conquestum Quarto.

On the Convent Seal: The Virgin crowned, standing, & holding Christ in her arms; below is the half figure of the Abbot holding up his hands in the posture of prayer, Mr. Dugdale sayeth.

Inscription: **S. ABBACIS ET C. ENTUS OB.**
App. No. 138.)

Sopworth. ✓

In the Church here is nothing of antiquity.

“ Here lies the bodie of John Shipway, Gent., Lord of the Mannour of Sopworth, who departed this life the 29th of September, 1652.”

Here lies the body of Alice Gore, wife of Thomas Gore, Gent., Lord of Sopworth, who whiles she was living desired that she might bee upon her knees, praying to God, dying, which being graunted, she soe departed this life the 9th day of February, 1663.

Sherston Magna.

It lies on the North limitts of this Shire, from whence it hath its denomination, perhaps anciently a mere, or Shire stone might be set up, It belonged to the Priory of Kington St. Marie's juxta Kington St. Michael, given by

In the West windowe of the North Aisle:

1. Beauchamp, G. a fess between 6 cross-crosslets, O.
2. Spencer, Per Cross A. & G. in 2 & 3, a fret O. over all a bendlet S.
3. Quarterly Beauchamp and Newburgh; within it should have been inserted an Iscutcheon of Spencer as juxta. (*App.* No. 139. 140. 141.)

Mem. Spencer had to doe at Sherston 300 or 400 years since.

The windowes here are lamentably spoiled. In a windowe of the South side is left, in the limbe, thus: **Orate pro aia. dni Roberti *.....**
uroris et

In the wall of the Porch on the outside, in a nich, is a little figure, about 2 feet and a half high, ill done, which they call **Rattle Bone**, who, the tradition is, did much service against the Danes, when they infested this part of the country; the figure resembles more a priest than a soldier, something looks like a Maniple, and his Robe is a kind of Cope.

Mem. The old women and children have these verses by tradition, *viz.*

“ Fight well Rattlebone,	“ Withoutich have all belongs thereto?
“ Thou shalt have Sherstone;	“ Thou shalt have Wyck & Willesly
“ What shall I with Sherston doe	“ Easton towne and Pinkeney.”

These are hamlets belonging to this parish. Their tradition is that the fight was (*in*) the ground called the Gaston. *Note. Quere*, what it signifies. At Malmesbury, here, at Ashwick, and at Marsfield, are grounds of this name, but at about all these places have been fights: most of them are arrable land.

* I suppose Pinkeney.

On a tombe, in the Church Yard: "Here lyeth the body of Samuel Millard, Clothier, who deceased the 27th day of June, 1667. *Ætat. suæ. 48.*"

Here lieth one who left his art
(First having sought the better part)
Although he made both red and white,
Yet in his own did not delight.
There are white robes of righteousness
His Saviour's workes, this was his dresse;

And though his own were ready made,
Yet none to these that will not fade;
Now Heaven crowns him, where all labours
cease,
He long endured paine, but died in peace.

On the north side of the Towne is a signe where a castle stood, which they call Castle Here have been heretofore a Market, which was kept on Friday. The town was burnt temp. H. 8. since which time it hath been disused: 'tis strange it is not revived, for it stands very advantageously. The Charter is in the Church Chest. Here are sometimes found Roman Coins; about 1650 was a prettie quantity found in the field, by ploughing. I have one silver piece of Constantine the Great, on his head a kind of chaplet of roses, not laurell; on the reverse, "Constantinus Aug." In the Limbe within, an Angell or Genius holding a palm branch in the left hand (stretched out) something like a snake involved; underneath the Genius T.S.C. I remember, in the fields, here is a barrowe or more.

The Church howse is in the street, a good howse. A howse (*q.* if it be the Church howse aforesaid) and land, of the value of six or ten pounds per annum, was given to the Church, and I think now like to be imbezzled.

Pinkeney,

Now in the parish of Sherston, but I think heretofore, in H. 7, a small Mannor and parish. It belonged to the Priory of Kington St. Marie's juxta Kington St. Michael. It was given by Pinkeney. *v.* the Leiger-Book.

Ex MSS. Harleiano:

Jo. Tybetot had Feodum unius militis cum pertinenciis in Sherston Pynkeneye in Com. Wiltes. quod Thomas Giffard de Weston tenet et quod ad sex lib. xiijs. & iiijd. per annum.

Easton Grey.

In the Church only these two scutcheons left, in the East window, in the Chancell:

1. G. a saltire A. 2. G. a chevron between 10 cross-crosslets A.
(*App.* No. 142. 143.)

Here have been good windowes, especially in the North cross Aisle.

Here hath anciently been a very spacious Parke, well walled.

All this North ridge enjoys a delicate prospect to the South.

Biteston.

Here are two Parish Churches: that at the lower end of the village is St. Peter's Church, formerly a prettie little Church, but now lamentably ruined, and converted to a barne, and nothing of antiquity there. At this Church, in Mr. Teys his time, a little before the late warres, was not only prayers, but also communions.

At the upper end of the village is St. Nicholas' Church. Here is a free-stone Altar Monument, without any inscription. It hath 3 escutcheons.

Mr. Thynne, of Bideston, had the Parsonage from Haynes. W. Tuff thinks that this Monument was of Haynes.

Mem. On the old gate at Mr. Monjoys (by St. Peter's Church) was a scutcheon, in freestone, charged only with a bend; now the coate of Cotel is G. a bend Or. and, as I remember in Tropnell's MSS., Cotel had an estate here, *v.* which afterwards was given to the Monks at Mounctou Farleigh.

Jo. de Tybetot had quartam partem feodi 1 milit. cum pertinent. in Biddeston in Com. Wiltes, quod Nichs. de Biddeston tenet, et que (valet) ad centum solidos.—*Ex MSS. Harl.*

At the George Inn here, is a well in the back side, the beer which is brewed thereof is so diuretique that it makes one urine shortly after the drinking of it. I have known some troubled with the stone go thither often for that reason. *Mem.* I observed in the bottom of the well blue marle. The vertues, attested by the neighbours, for the spleen, the stone, fitts of the mother. The woman of the house was much troubled with fitts of the mother, and after she had been here a quarter of a yeare found herself much mended; also her mother troubled with that infirmity found much good by it. I had not time to try by evaporation, but by precipitation it yields a sediment of yellowish nitre. *Mem.* In this village are severall springs, and marle is to be seen in the highway. Mr. M. . . . , about 1661, (by a little gutter) turned the water, which runs through the street, into his pond, which hath improved a leasowe from £5 per ann. to at least £20 per annm, and is farther continuing it. I conceive this improvement is chiefly from the nitre, though the filth of the street helps.

Slaughtensford.

Here is a prettie small Church, the most miserably handled that ever I

saw, the very barres are taken out of the windowes; here have been two good South windowes, and the doores are gone and the paving, and it serves for any use, *viz.* weavers. The Font gone to make a

Over the South door thus: a bull's head, cabossed.

In this Parish was a great fight of old time, is the constant tradition of the Inhabitants, and that a Danish King, or General of the Danes, was killed. Farmer's sonne, of Hall-farme, in the green, where now the quarres be, looking back towards Slaughtenfords, was shot through, or over, the Parke wall.

One of the Bayliffes of Weaving-Mill was buried in the Church-yard, (before the Church door) under an Altar Monument, which is torne to pieces. There remains this escutcheon: A chevron between 3 hearts. (*App.* No. 144.) The Inscription may be yet found, but I had not time to copy it.

Ditcheridge.

In this Church nothing to be found. Parson Bridges sayes Sir Hugh Speke told him that he searched in the Black Book (I believe it was Domesday Book; *q.*) and found that William the Conqueror gave this Parish to one of his soldiers; and that C years after *Bec Church* was built by the Earle of Hereford.—*v.* domesday.

Box.

On the South side of the Church a faire freestone Monument of Roman

Architecture, borne up wiith Ionique pillars, a figure incumbent on the Altar, in armour. "Here lyeth the body of Anthony Long, Esqr. buried the 2d of May, 1578." Over the Marshall's Lock, in a scroll, this motto, viz. "ENVY SHALL LYE." The Arms of Long thereon; *V. App.* No. 145.

In the Chancell, under a plain freestone, thus:

"Hic jacet Jewellus Long, armiger, vir et propria virtute et parentum et Compatri* clarissimus. Obiit Junii 9, 1647. 'And they shall be mine in the day when I shall gather my Jewells.'—*Cap.* 13. 17. *Malachi.*"

By the three gradual stone seates is a Lyon rampant, in stone, with a cross-crosslet on his shoulder.

Under a fair black marble thus: "Here lieth the body of Hugh Speke, of Haselbury, Esqr., second son of Sir George Speke, of Whitlakington, in the Countie of Somerset, Knight of the Bath, who deceased the 4th day of Januarie, An. Dni. 1624.

On the wall:

"Here lies the man in nature, life, and arts,
Mild, sober, learned, till death both his parts
Did sever; his corps lowe in grave to lye,
His soule to endless blisse in Heaven high.

James Goren was buried the 26th of October, A. D. 1636. *Disce mori.*"

Sir Hugh Speke, Knight and Baronet, and Gent. of the Privie Chamber, died No Monument, but two penons, whose coates are thus: (*App.* No. 146. 147.)

Mem. In this Parish is the *Chapelle of Playster*, a known place on the Roade. It was heretofore a place of entertainment for Pilgrims that went to Glastenbury, to St. Joseph of Arimathea's Chapell. It is now an ale-house, the little Chæpell yet remaines of it; on the outside, towards the highway, is, in the wall, a place for holy water. *Mem.* That without Laford's gate at Bristowe, the great old house called was likewise for the entertainment of Pilgrims that went to Glastonbury.

* John Jewell, Bishop of Sarum, was his Godfather.

Haselbury.

Is in the Hundred of Wallingford, in Berks. It was one Sir John Young's; then sold to Speke. Sir Hugh Speke told me he hath the Abbot of Glastonbury's carpet here, in the midst whereof is his coate of armes richly embroidered.

Haselbury Quarre is not to be forgott; it is the eminentest free-stone quarry in the West of England, Malmesbury and all round the country of it. The old men's story that St. Adelme, riding over there, threw downe his glove, and bade them digge and they should find great treasure, meaning the Quarry.

Quere: if it is Haselbery or Haselbury (*i. e.*) if there has been a Camp or Borough. In the fields about Haselbury, Box, and Ashwick, by Marsefield, are stones of the bigness and shape of Scallops, of a kind of course freestone.

Colern.

Here is a most noble prospect, a stately high well built tower, which, when the bells, (which are new cast) ring, shakes much. A very faire church, but nothing of Antiquity left, unless the three seates in the Chancell for the Bishops, and an old nich of a monument, but figure and inscription gone.

At Colern Parke, above Slaughtenford, they tell me there is a *single workes* camp: (*i. e.* Roman,) which see.

Mem. At Ford-hill is a rampard with grasse eastward, but no camp: it was to obstruct the enemies coming; the like whereof is to be seen in severall other places.—*q.* If the trench aforementioned, at Colerne Parke, is not of the same nature. Colerne downe is the place so famous and frequented for stoball-playing. The turfe is very fine, and the rock is within an inch and a half of the surface, which gives the ball so great a rebound.

A stobball-ball is of about four inches diameter, stuffed very hard with quills, sowed into soale leather, and as hard as a stone. I doe not hear it is used but hereabout and in Gloucestershire adjacent.

This coate (a plain cross) is on the West side, of the outside of the tower of the Church

Hall-Farme.

Q. If this was not anciently the Halls.

Thick-Wood,

In this manner Wills are proved and recorded in the Court Rolles
Sutton bought this mannor of King James to give it to Charter-house, at London.

Yew-Ridge,

Leigh-de-la-Mere,

In the windowe of the North side of the Chancell, stands an escutcheon, viz. Gules, a chevron Or. under a crucifix. The old glass in the other column is defaced. When I went to school there, I remember it all painted glasse. Mr. Ph. Kinsman, the rector, saies there was an inscription mencioning the Founder of the Church; and the windowes opposite to it had then severall scutcheons: now (1661) all gone; now only remains **M** and **Ihs**.

Under the Communion table; Here lieth Mr. Robert Latymer, sometime Rector and Pastor of this church; who deceased this life the second day of November, Anno Domini 1634.

This Mr. Latimer was schoolmaster in a private school at Malmesbury to Mr. Thomas Hobbes. He afterwards taught children here. He entered me into my accidence.

The upper end of the Chancell hath thirteen niches for Christ and twelve apostles, in the manner as it was at All Souls' College, in Oxford, before the new painting by Fuller.

In the porch over the dore, in a nich, is the figure of a woman; St. Margaret. *Mem.* The Serengton revell in this parish is at St. Margaret's tide.

I find the coate of Sir Robert de-la-Mare, G. 2 lions passant guardt. Argt. The coate of Sir Geffrey de-la-Mare, O. a fesse between 2 barres gemelles, Azure.

Mem. In 17 Eliz. Leigh-de-la-Mere was the landes of John Thorneborough, Esqr.

Before Mr. Latimer one Mr. Taverner was Rector here, who was the parson that married my grandfather and grandmother Lyte.

Surrendell.

Before the depopulation, in Henry the Seventh's time, a manor and little parish. The Church or Chapell remains yet, but decayed; it is now in the parish of Hullavington, and in the possession of Thomas Gore, Esqr., in whose ancestors' hands it hath been for at least a century of yeares.—*q.* of him when and how it came to them. Before it came to them it was in the possession of the Hamlins, whose coate was thus: G. a lion rampant Ermine.

Lacock.

In the Hall, in great letters, **A W.** who was the last Lady Abbess. In the vaulting of the Cloysters at the Abbey are these coates, *viz.*

1. O. 3 torteaux and a label of 3, V. Courteney.—2. Az. a li. r. O.
3. S. fess betw. 2 chevrons O. Baynard.—4. S. a li. r. Az.
5. G. a cross flory O. Latimer.—6. S. 3 roaches naiant A. De la Roche.
7. O. on 4 lozenges in fess Az. 4 escallops A. Cheney.
8. Per pale indented G. & V. a chevron O. Hungerford.
9. A. on a cross . . 5 f. de lys O.
10. A. fess betw. 6 martletts, a border O.
11. Az. the letter E. O. *App.* 149.
12. O. 3 torteaux, a border indented Az.
13. A. a chevron S. between 3 chaplets G.—14. . . a chevron. . .
15. . . 4 lozenges in fess. . .—16. Baynard as before.

In Bibliotheca Cottoniana there is an old 4to. MSS. called *Chronicon de Lacock*, wherein are divers Antiquities, and particularly *Ela's life, who outlived her understanding, being above an hundred yeares of age.

* Ela, Countess of Salisbury, the Foundresse.

Mem. The coate of Holmes, Co. Glouc. is A. a chevron Az. inter 3 chap-letts gules.

In the kitchin is a vast great pott (or crock) which served the Abbey; it is bigger (much) than Guy's at Warwick Castle: by the Inscription, it appears to have been made at Mechlin.

Mem. The high wall, with battlements, on the South side of the Cloysters, was the North wall of the Abbey Church, of which no vestigium is now left. Here was a good ring of bells, which Sir Sharrington sold when he built Rea-bridge, which was to divert the travelling by his house. The ringers took their leave of the bells of the Abbey, when they were to be taken down, which was on the first of May, A. D. This country rhyme was made upon it:—

“On Phillip and Jacob, the bells rang at Lacock,

“The great bell went with such a surge, that he fell in at Rea-burge.”

This rhyme, as bad as it is, was used in evidence at Sarum Asizes, at the trial for pulling (*down*) Rea-bridge, which was about 165..

Mem. The story that Sir Robert Long told me of Sir . . Sharrington's daughter, Olave who leaped, at night, down from the battlements of the Abbey Church, to . . Talbot, her lover, who caught her in his arms, but she struck him dead, and was with great difficulty brought again to life: her father told her since she made such leapes, she should e'en marry him (take him)

Sharrington was King Henry the Eighth's Taylor. He married the mother, and his brother married the daughter. Upon the dissolution of the Abbey, for certain causes and considerations, King Henry the 8th gave (*him*) Lacock, Seene, &c. Arms of Sharrington, *App.* No. 150

In the Parish Church, in Baynard's Aisle, which is the North crosse, in brasse, on a marble thus: Hic jacet Robtus Baynard armiger, vir egregius et legis peritus, multum strenuus, dapifer præcipuus, inter proximos pacis conservator diligentissimus, uxorem habens Elizabeth devotissimam, cum totidem filiis et filiabus sub *notat.* qui obiit xvj. die Aug. An. Dni. 1500. primo. Quoru. aiab. ppicietur. Deus, Amen. filii 12. filie 5.

In this Aisle is a Gothique Altar Monument of Bluett.

1. O. an imperial Eagle G. membered Az. *Bluet*, imp. G. a chevron A.
2. O. impaling G. a chevron A.
3. Quarterly, 1. 3 & 4 *blank*, 2 . . a chevron between 3 peares.

Lakeham.

Q. of Mr. T. G. (*Thos. Gore*) of the old deedes here. Baynard married with the d. and heir of Blewett. *Mem.* There is a report that if the King should happen to kill a deer in the Forest, so near to the river Avon that ye might throw a Horne, the Lord of Lakeham, by custome, could challenge it for his own, which Sir Robert Baynard did in King James's time, and alleged his graunt for it from a King (*q.* his name). O my soule (said King James) he was a *wise* King that made such a graunt.

Bowdon.

Bowdon, I believe, hath been a cell to Lacock; it is of ancient and strong freestone building; a little chamber chapell yet remaining with the crucifix in the window, 1625. Here hath been a parke, and till about 1660, the pales stood about it. It is the seate of my worthy and honoured friend, George Johnson, Esqr. Councillor at Lawe. Having lately found great quantity of marle on his estate, he has trebled the value of it; it lies about 15 foot deep under the barren sand. Hereabout is found store of *Cinders*, which is the remaynes of a Roman Bloomery; perhaps here might have been a volcano, as in Surrey. *Mem.* The sand on the hills hereabout is very fitt for a glasse work, and Compton stone for a furnace. *Mem.* The deep lane from Bowdon to Rey-bridge is very full of nitre, as a warm day will evidence; this hill abounds with excellent blue marle, and marle abounds with nitre.

Corsham.

Etym. Corsham. quasi Crossham, for the streets run *per crucem* in the towne; so Corscombe in Somerset, and Crosscombe.

The great howse at Corsham was built by Customer Smyth, (he rented he customes then of Quesen Elizabeth for twenty thousand pounds per annum.) This yeare (1674) was made of the customs £120,000.

The Mannor of Cosham is Ancient Demesne; it heretofore belonged to the Duke, or Earl of Cornwall. *Querre.* If not a Collegiate Church (*i. e.*) any stalles in the Chancell.

In the East window of the Chapell, in the North Aisle. :

1. Az. a cross flory between 4 martlets O. —St. Edw. Confess.
2. A. a cross G.
3. Az. 3 crowns O.—King of the West Saxons.
4. Per saltire A. & G. a cross flory counterchanged.
5. Edward the Confessor as in No. 1.
6. France and England with a label of 3.
7. Edward the Confessor as before,

In the North Window :

- *1. Baynard quartering Bluët, A. an imp.¹ Eagle G. & impaling Ludlowe, A. a chevron between 3 talbots' heads eras. S.
- *2. A. a chevron between 3 talbots' heads eras. S. Ludlowe, impaling A. a fess checky S. & A. between 3 swans S.
3. Ludlowe quartering G. a lion passant gard. A.
4. Ludlowe with a crescent A. for diff.
5. S. 2 bars A. in chief 3 plates—Hungerford.
6. Hungerford quartering . . (*blank*)
- *7. Hungerford surrounded by the Garter.

In the Chapell an Altar Monument of Tropnell, of Neston, with these coates, *viz.*

1. Ludlowe as before.
2. G. fess engrailed Erm. between 3 hares' heads eras. A. impal. Ludlowe.
3. G. fess engrailed Ermine between 3 hares' heads eras. A.

About the limb of this Monument is this writing : (*an oxyoke*) **Ihs. Xps. Nazarenus filius Dei filius David, filius Marie Virginis**

* *Mem.* The escutcheons marked with an asterisk were taken out of this Chapell, and placed in the great parlour windowes at Neston House, by Wm. Gore, Esqr. 1675,

salvet nos (*the yoke*) after every ox yoke (which I suppose was the crest or cognizance) the same repeated again. Under this monument is a little free-stone vault, where he and his wife's bones lye. Under that writing in the next moulding is *a yoke tira bellement* (*a yoke tira &c.* (*i.e.*) he will draw well.

Eyres of the family of Derbyshire married with the daughter and heir of Tropnel, about

An Epitaph upon Collonell Morgan of Wells, Deputy Lieutenant of the County of Somerset, buried in the chancell of Corsham Church, in the County of Wilts, Anno Dni. 1684:

Substructo Tumulo
Corpus jacet hic Repositum
Johannis Morgani,
Ex agro Sommersettensi, Armigeri,
Chiliarchæ Magnanimi
Exemplaris virtutis intrepidæ insignissimi
Pro Rege, Pro Patria, Pro Legibus
Nec-non
Pro Religione vere Catholica
In nuper iis nefandis motibus
Praeliatoris adversus Perduelles acerrimi
Nobis etsi intempestive heu! nimis
At sibi exoptato feliciter
Ex improvise ad Sydera rapti
Anno Ætatis 73,
Salutis 1684.
Fortia nunc muto requiescant ossa sepulchro
Æterno exurgant tandem fruitura triumpho.

Bartham.

The Conie-gre here turns the breed of black conies white, and the pasturing grounds make the breed of black cattle pied; but the rest of this country hereabout is much inclined to pied cattle, but commonly the co-

lour is black, or brown, or deep red : the men and women strong and something warm and well-coloured, a drawing speech, something heavy and melancholy.

The Hundred of Calne.

Calne.

Arms of the Borough, *Vide App.* No. 151

King Henry the First, who was a very great benefactor to the Cathedrall Church of Sarum, did by his Deed, bearing date, (which is amongst their evidences at Sarum) give to that church the tythes of all his forests and chases in Wilts and Berks, Godalming in Surrey cum multis aliis, and the tythe of Calne,* with the appurtenances, *viz.* the tythings of Cherill, Berwick, Calston, Quemmerford, Stock, Stockley, both Studeleys, Eastmeadstreet, Whitly and Whetham. The parsonage of Calne is the corps of the Treasurer of the Cathedrall Church of Sarum; the demesnes is worth between £400 and £500 per annum; here is also a mannour annexed to it.

Here was anciently a castle, which stood where Mr. Norborne's house now does.

A Councill was held in this town, (perhaps it was in the Castle) where was a great fall, and St. Dunstan, being then President or Prolocutor, was saved by In this towne are two fayres, one St Marke's day, the other

Qu. to whom the church was dedicated.

The charter was graunted to this towne by King Stephen wherein is a privilege for their buying and selling in any part of England without tonnage and poundage.

In the North porch of this church, in stone, *viz.*

1. 3 Sickles conjoined in triangle.
2. On a shield the bear and ragged staff.
3. O. a fret S. on a chief S. 3 bezants—St. Amand.

* A great tything 10 miles long.

Almerick St. Amand, Lord St. Amand, of whom descended two heirs generall, the first married to Wm Beauchamp, Lord St. Amand, and had issue; the second married to Sir Gerard Braybrooke, Knight, and the heir generall of him married to the Lord Cobham.

Here was standing in the middle of this church a faire steeple, which fell down about 1642.

In the Chancell, North side, a very handsome and able inscription of white marble, erected by Mrs. Mary Norborne, to the memory of her husband, who was born in this parish at Stodeley.

Arms—Ermine, a fess nebuleé G. on a canton G. a crown O. Norborne; impaling A. a chevron engrail. G. a crescent A. for difference.

VIR

Caelo charus

Exosus Satane

Dei cultor assiduus

Contemplator Sui

Jurisperitus δ ΠΑΝΟ inculpate consultissimus

Acri ingenio

Judicio *exasciato?* (*Vide Orig.*)

Lingua vero prepotente,

GUALTERUS NORBORNE

de Calne, in Agro Wiltoniensi, Armiger.

Ex antiquo stemmate (per utrumque parentem) oriundus

Uxorem duxit Mariam

Henrici Chiver Armigeri

Filiam pientissimam

Ex qua

Gualterum, Johannem,

et Mariam, felicissimo conjugio

suscepit Liberos

Pro Rege Patriaque suis multa

fecit tulitque toto annos XVII.

Et in Christi mortem contem-

platus. Tanta etiam post mortem martyria passus (Satana suam rabiem in honores funebres exercente) uti duplicem videatur reportasse victoriam, de Natura alteram, alteram de Fortuna

ΑΛΛ' ανδρι γενναυς πασα γη ΤΑΦΟΣ

Tandemque emeritus Christi miles

Post quam annos LXIII Domino

Jesu invigilasset in eodem placide

Obdormivit IV calendas Aprilis

M,DC,LIX.

Mem. This Epitaph was made by Dr. Pierce, President of Magdalen College, Oxon.

Near this, on a black marble gravestone, thus: "Here under' lie the buried

the body of the Lady Fraunces Mildmay, wife to Sir Thomas Mildmay. She dyed in the faith of Christ the ninth of December, 1624. She was daughter to Sir Jno. Ernele of Whetham, and was a very rare beauty.

In the two windowes in the chancell two figures kneeling between these two coates :

1. A. a chevron between 3 garbs S. Blake impaling.
2. G. on a bend A. a crescent. (*App.* No. 152)

Orate p Blake de Pinhill A

- Arms—1. Blake, A. a chevron between 3 garbs S.
 2. A. a cross G.
 3. G. on a bend A. a crescent.

Camberford.

Which now (forsooth) they fantastically write Quemmerford.

Mem. In Sir Wm. Dugdale's Baronage p. 7. thus : "Werstan, Earle of this Province, was slaine in battle at Kinemereford."

Pinchill.

Stock & Stockley.

Both the **Stodleys.**

Whitley.

Whetham.

Eastmeadstreet,

Barwick Bassett.

In the nave of this Church, in brasse, on a marble, thus :

**Willelmus hic jacet Bayly sic dno. placet;
legabit ecclie solidos centum semper manere
obit V idus Novemb. Anno Dni, M,CCCC,XXVII.**

His effigies is with short hair, but not shaved ; his habit a long robe with a girdle.

In the Chancell :

“ Here lieth the body of Frances, the wife of Thomas Crippes, who dyed on her knees the twentieth day of 1664.”

Yatesbury.

In the Church here is nothing to be found, neither is any tradition that I can yet learn of any remarkable thing in the parish. In the field eastwards from the towne is a barrow or two.

Calston Willington

Compton-Basset.

In the Church I find nothing remarkable but this coate (Az. an Eagle displayed A.) which was in the North windowe twice. *Mem.* By the name of Cc:ton, also Sir Thomas Ridwar, temp. E. 1. In the Leiger book of Mortimer (? of Marches) muniments, John, Earl of Oxford, in the right of his wife Maud, one of the coheirs of Egidius Badlesmere, among divers

other lands in this county, had duo feoda milit. cum pertinent in Comerwell et Compton in Com. Wiltes quæ Rogerus de Berle tenet et quæ ad £xi xiijs. iijd.

q. If Comerwell is not Cumberwell, near to Comerford.

In this parish is a quarry of soft white stone, betwixt chalk and freestone which they use much for ovens, it endures the fire rarely well, and I doubt not but it would be good for a glass furnace, or iron forge, or chymists.

Cherhill.

In the Church is only this piece of scutcheon: the field broken, a chief 3 roundels; *q.* what it is, for I could not gett in: *v.* the coate of St. Amand.

Blackland.

Hedington.

Ex MSS. Harleianis: Feodum unius militis cum pertinent. in Hedyndone in Com. Wilts, quod Prior de Bradenstocke tenet et quod ad sex libras xiijs et Ad. *Mem.* In the copy it is doubtfull, by reason of a fracture, whether there were another letter before H in Hedyndone, (*i.e.*) P or S.

In Hedington field is found plenty of old cinders; the like at Bowdon. In Heref. and Monmouthshire, they use these cinders, to melt down their new digged oare the more easily. These Blomeries were in the times of the Romans or Britons. Hereabout the water in the ditches, on the fall of the leafe, looks blewish, which is an indication of iron, as also the veins of other coloured sand. At Seene or Send, is iron ore so rich that it will run in the Smyth's forge, yet this treasure was not understood, for the fo-

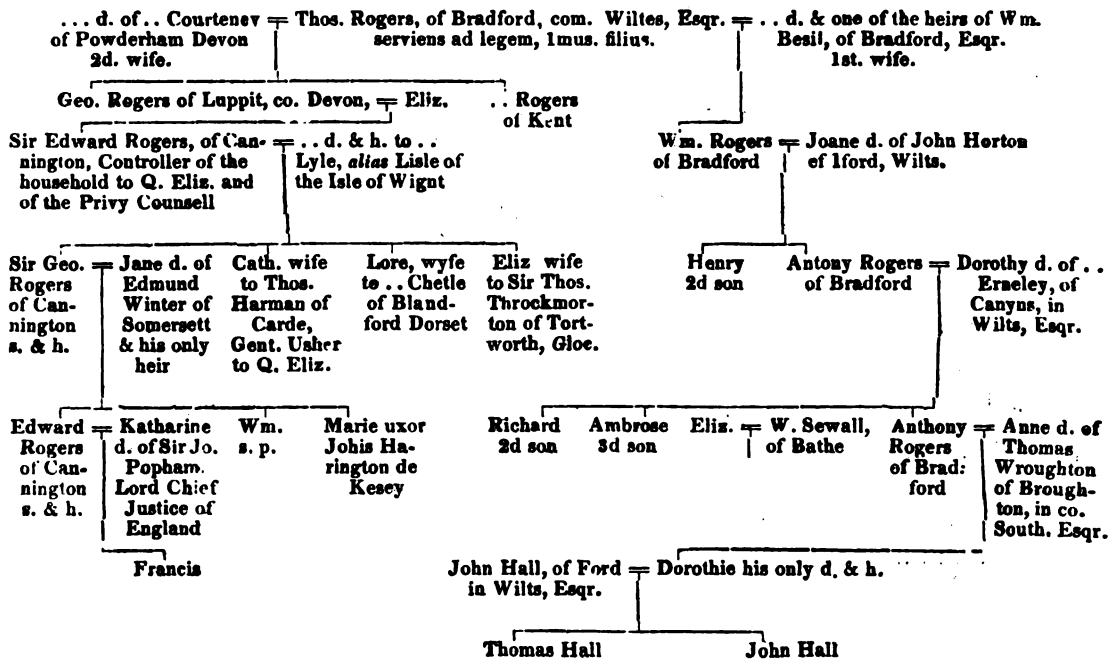
rest was destroyed about 1630, and now no wood left in the parish to melt it.

In Weeke field, in the parish of Hedington, digging the earth, in March 1653, deeper than the plough had gone, to sowe carrots, they found foundations of howses, and coales for at least quarter of a mile long, and a great quantity of Roman money, silver and copper; among the rest an earthen pott was found half full, which pott I had, but the money was stolen from me. This pott I gave to the Repository of the Royal Society. Here were among these coins a great many small pieces no bigger than silver halfpence, which *q.* if not the *Roman Denarii*, the stampe is

ROGERS of *Bradford*.

1. A. a chevron between 3 stags courant S.—Rogers, quartering A, 3 torteaux.

2. Rogers as before quartering a chief



Kingsbridge Hundred,

Hilmerton.

The windowes of this Church have been very good. In the North Aisle is a niche for a monument but sans insc. or tradition.

In this Aisle is this Inscription in white marble :

1. Ermine on a chief G. 3 lions rampant Or.—Quintin.
2. G. a fess between 3 estoiles A.

“Cineres Gulielmi Quyntyn Armigeri et Margaretæ uxoris suæ hoc Ambulatorio juxta hunc locum humatæ sunt.

Ille nono die Octobris, An. Dni. 1652. Ipsa decimo die Maij, An. 1647 e vivis emigrabant, sed die novissima consurgent.”

In the Chancell, in brasse, on marble in the floor, *viz.*

**Hic jacet dns. Johes. Wylkys quondam
vicarius istius ecclie. qui obiit viii die mensis
Maii Anno Dni. MCCCCLXXX. Cuius aie. ppicietur.
Deus. Amen.**

On the shield, a cup with the letters **Jhs.** (*App. No. 153.*)

In a window, in the Chancell, the workes of mercy, defaced. On the wall, of moderne worke, this scutcheon, underneath Quarterly argt. and sab. on a bend G. 3 mulletts. A.

Mem. Calley's coat is quarterly A. & S. on a bend G. 3 mulletts A. quartered with S. a cross pateè A.

On St. Lawrence day is a Fayre here.

Lineham.

Broadstock cum Clack.

Sir Pexhall Brocas who sold this to H. Farle of Danby, had the Leiger Book of this place, his son lives at Baruper (Beaurepaire,) in Hampshire, by the Vine, which was a Graunge they say to Baruper. Sir Pexall Brocas was Uncle to Dr. Shirley His son a prisoner in the King's Bench.

Mem. At Broadstock Abbey is an overshott mill.

In Hexam's low Dutch Dictionary KLACK signifies a cleft, chap, crevis, Item a mill-clack, or clapper of Lazarus.

Mr. Petrus Zittzsehar (a Danish Gent.) tells me that in their language Clack signifies Defamatio.

A learned Swedish Gent. says Clack in Swedish signifies macula, a blott.

West Tokenham,

Is in the parish of Lineham, and belonged to since to the Danvers's there.

East Tokenham,

On the outside of this Church seems to be the figure of St. Christopher.

Clebe Pipard *vulgo* Pepper.

Here is a handsome Church, and have been very good windowes.

In the Chancell is a monument of wood with this Inscription & Arms :

“ Here lies the body of Elizabeth Godard, wife of John Goddard, Esqr. and daughter to Sir John Fettiplace, Knight, who deceased A. D. 1550.”

G. a chevron Vaire between 3 crescents A. Goddard, impaling G. 2 chevrons A, Fettiplace.

In the North Aisle is an old Gothique freestone monument, with the figure of a man incumbent, which they say is the monument of the Lord Cobham, who they say died in one of the grounds there. He built this church.

In the South Aisle is a fair marble gravestone with a Knight-like effigies in brass, but the Inscription is lost; it is the gravestone of Quintin, of Bupton, in this parish. Here is only a poor boy now left of of the name and family.

“ Epitaphium positum Ricardo Hunton de Bushton Generoso in perpetuam memoriam Elizabethæ Hunton uxoris ejus charissima et olim filia Gulii Jordan de Chittern, Armigeri. — S. a chevron Ermine between 3 talbots Argent, Hunton, impaling Az. a lion rampant within an orle of cross-crosslets fitche A. a chief O.—Jordan.

Quis numerosa tua referat preconia vita

Chara nimis cunctis Elizabetha bonis

Nulla pio mulier te vicit amore Jehove

Nulla pio mulier vicit amore viri

Nec magis ulla suis facit alter chara propinquis

Nec magis ignotis altera chara fuit.

Sive animi memorem seu pulchro in corpore dotes

Fæminei fuerat gemma decusque chori

Ergo age devicta quid mors inopina triumphat

Qui citet hanc nuptam quum requievit erit

Obijt 23 Febr. Ano. Redemptionis 1604. Ætatis suæ 37.

This monument stood in the Chancell windowe and was ordered to be pulled down by Dr. Lynne, the Chancellor, when the Communion Table was to be sett altarwaies.

Clevancy, is in this Parish.

Mem. In the Leiger Book of the muniments of the great Earle of March (in the custody of Sir Edward Harley, Knight of the Bath) *viz.* of all his estate in England, Wales, and Ireland, I find thus: "Endenture entre Margarete de Mortimer et Roger de Mortimer son fitz des certaines terres livres a dite dame en dower," (amongst a great many others,) "et des tenz. q. dame Elizabet de Penebrugge et Johan son fitz tiegnent en Clyve-Wauncy." *N.B.* The whole of the County of Radnor belonged to this Erle.

Winterbourne-Mouncton

Carta Athelstani Regis facta amicabili femine Elfede de Winterbourne. *vide* Leiger Book of Glaston.

Afflanti per cunctam triquadri orbis latitudinem gibbonifero sacro sancti flaminis incendio salutifera aiarum. gaudia ac multifida donorum spiramina prerogante quibus humanis improbitatis rubigo consumitur felicitasque eterna ejus munere acquiritur qui ante omnia secula apud prem. indissociabili nutu sempiternitate majestatis alta infima eterna labentia qualia administracionum distinctione fieri possent.

In the Church is nothing of antiquity to be found, unless a marble with two brass fig. the Inscription lost

Here is a close called Gregories' close, where is the sign of a great deal of building, near two acres adjudged; they say 'twas Sir John Gregories. The parsonage here belonged to the Nunnery of St. Margaret's, as also Purnell's land.

Mem. Golden Roman coins found here, in the possession of Farmer Thomas Cripps, he now lives at Berwick Basset.

Milbarrow is in that parish on the North side a considerable British sepulchre. *vide* Templa Druidicum.

Broad-Hinton.

N. at the foot of this edge of hills, the soile breaks (*i.e.*) the chalky soile begins.

In the Chancell North wall, in freestone :

“ Here lyeth Sir William Wroughton, Knight, who dyed in the 50 yeare of his age in Anno Domini 1559, and left yssewe of his body by Dame Elinor, his wife, daughter of Edward Lewknor, Esqr. four sonnes and three daughters, and builded the howse of Broadhenton, Anno Domini 1540.”

The crest is a human head to a horse's neck.

A chevron between 3 boars' heads, couped, Wroughton—supporter, naked boy with wings but no bow.—The same coat repeated

A chevron between 3 boars' heads, impaling 3 chevronels, a crescent for difference—Lewknor.

Two figures of Sir Wm. and his Lady, 4 sons and 4 daughters.

On the South side, on the wall, are the figures aforesaid, a large monument of freestone with pillars, without any inscription. but with these Arms : Wroughton, as before, quartering—1. a chevron between 3 birds' heads. 2. 2 bends and a border. 3. a chevron between 3 unicorns, statant.

In brass on a flat marble, thus :

**Hic jacet Johannes Wrofton Armiger qui obiit xvi die
Aprilis Anno Dni. 1429 Cuius aie. ppicietur,
Deus. Amen.**

Here is his effigies in armour, but the scutcheons are lost.

Sir John Glanville, Knt. Serjeant-at-Lawe, lies buried in this Chancell, only a penon hangs over him with his coate as on the side, Az. 3 Saltires in pale, O.

In the N. wall of the Chancell is a statue of alabaster, erected to the memory of Francis Glanville, eldest sonne to the Serjeant, who was a Lieutenant-Colonel in the service of King Charles the First, obiit xxi day

July, Ætat 28, 1645, at the siege of Bridgwater, in Com. Somerset. About the nich of this monument is a tedious Latin Inscription.

In the North side of this Church, in a windowe, is an old scutcheon in in glass, viz. Az. a cross flory A.

Mem. The chapelry of Bircingknoll, *alias* Brinknoll, *alias* Binoll, in this parish, belonged to the Nunnery of St. Margaret's juxta Marleborough.

Jo. de Tybetot had "feodum unius militis cum pertinent. in Brodhinton, in Com. Wiltes, quod Fidenas Was tenet et quod ad sex lib. xiijs. et iiijd." and, "feodum unius militis cum pertinent. in *Overweston* (q. where this is) in Com. Wiltes, quod Abbas de Teukesbury tenet, et quod ad decem lib." *Ex MSS. Hart.*

Abebury.

In an old MSS. at Mr. Bayliff's, it is written *Auberia*.

Winterbourne Bassett,

This Church was dedicated to St. Katharine.

"Here lieth the body of Symon Baskerville, Esqr, sonne of Sir Walter Baskerville, of Earsley, in the County of Hereford, Knight, which Symon married the widowe of William Hutchins, of Rickarston, who deceased in the yeare of Our Lord God, 1552."

(In the other collume)

"Here also lieth the body of William Baskerville, of Wanborough, sonne of the above saied Symon Baskerville, who deceased at Rickarston, the 29th day of September, in the yeare of Our Lord God, 1604."

This monument is of freestone and is in a kind of Chapell, on the North side of the Church; next the Chancel, on a pillar below which, an altar monument of freestone without inscription; on the former are these scutcheons (10) viz. first the paternal with mantling, and crest, which is, I think, a greyhound's head couped A.

1. Baskerville, A. a chevron G. between 3 hurts.
2. Ditto impaling G. a fess ermine, a label of 5 O.
3. Ditto impaling per cross A. & Az. on bend S. 3 martlets O.
4. Ditto impaling G. a fess checky O. & S. between 3 cross-crosslets patee fitch, O.
5. Ditto impaling per cross, indented per fess co. ch. A. & G. a label of 3, O
6. Ditto impaling A. on cross S. a leop. head in fess point O, Bruges.
7. Ditto impaling G. a fret A.
8. Ditto impaling Bodenham, Az. a fess between 3 chess rooks O.
9. Ditto impaling a fess between 3 cross-crosslets fitch (no colours).
10. Ditto impaling Waterton, G. on 2 bars Erm 3 crescents S.

The Crest is an Otter with a fish in his mouth.

“Here lieth the body of Thomas Hutchins of Richarston, who deceased the 27th day of May, 1607.”

In this Aisle, under the window (which is of the fashion of Edw. iij.) is an old nich, in which is on a stone, the figure (lineary) of a man and his wife, of whose name there is no tradicion. I am sorry that new glass is sett up in this old window else (perhaps) I might have found the coat of Basset.

In the Chauncell lies interred Ambrose Browne, son of Browne, of this parish, he dyed Anno Dni. 166. . aged 103. In the windowes here is St. Thomas Cant. and St. Catharine R. (I think).

Kinnēt.

East Kinnēt belonged to the nunnery of St. Margaret's near Marlborough.

Silborough-hill is in this parish; perhaps tis quasi Sili burghum, so Moles Adriani at Rome where the Emperor Adrian's dust lies, which is now made the Keepe of the Castle of St. Angelo, Jonas Moore, *surg.*? this and finds it to be here. (*Sil. in British signifies great) Silchester is the great camp or town.

Wroughton.

The land of this parish is admirable Pasture and the tract hereabout is the garden of Wilts.

The old windowes in the Church all spoiled; in the south aisle is in an antique nich, in a coffin of stone, which they say is the Lady Loveden.

In the Chancel, N. side, a fair Inscription of alabaster, thus:

“Sacred to the memory of Mrs. Thomasine Bennet, wife of Thomas Bennet, Doctor of Lawes, and one of the Masters of the Honourable Court of Chancery, daughter of George Dethick, Esqr. sonne of Sir Wm. Dethick, Knight, principall King at Armes; who was a very pious christian, a dutiful child, a sweet consort, a discreet mother, an undissembling friend, a compassionate neighbour, frequent in prayer, attentive to the word, rich in faith, grounded in love, anchored in hope. cloathed with humility, adorned with a meek and quiet spirit, modest in behaviour, gracious in conversation, sparing in words, plentifull in good deedes dayly increasing with the increase of God, in the middest of troubles possessing her soule in patience, she willingly commended it into the hands of her God, and layd down the tabernacle of her flesh in confidence of its resurrection to a more peaceable and happy life, through Jesus Christ, her Saviour.

Born she was at Boston, in the countie of Middlesex, the 25th of Dec. 1613, and departed this life at *Salthrop, March 27, 1645, and her infant daughter, Thomasine, was soon layd to rest by her.

She is not dead but sleepeth.—*Luke 3.*” *The Arms upon it are,*

* Salthrop is in this parish. Ex Leiger Book de Mortimer:—“feodum unius militis cum pertinenciis in Salthrop, in Com. Wiltes, quod Willmus. Everard, tenet et quod ad sex libras xiijs. iiijd.

Bennet—G. a bezant in fess point between 3 demi lions ramp. A. a mullet for diff. impaling, Dethick, A. a fess Verrey G. & O. between 4 water bougets S. quartering 2nd. A. a chief G. on a bend Az. 3 shields A. with a chief G.—3rd. O. a chevron G. canton Ermine.—4th. A. a chevron engr. Az. between 3 flowers slipped, V.

Opposite to this, on the South side, in alabaster, this Inscription:

“Not far from this place lieth the body of Thomas Bennet, Knight. Doctor of Lawes, and one of the Masters in Ordinary of his Majesties high and honourable Court of Chancery, who departed this mortall life on Monday the 27th of June, Anno Dni. 1670, in the 78th yeare of his age.

“He married to his first wife, Charlott, the daughter of Wm. Harrison, of London, Merchant, by whom he had two daughters, Charlotte, that died the 30th of March, A. D. 1639, and Mary now living. He married to his second wife, Thomasine, one of the daughters and coheires of George Dethick, of Gray's Inne, Esqr. eldest sonne of Sir William Dethick, Kut. *alias* Garter, principall King at Armes, by whom he had issue, Thomas Bennet, Esqr. his only son and heire, and Thomasine, a daughter that dyed young.

Monumentum hoc Pietatis ergo Patri meritissimo
mærens posuit Thomas Bennet, XX
Decemb. Ao. Salutis M,DC,LXX.

Qui mortalitatis exuvias pie deposuit
insigne dedit Resurgendi argumentum.”

1. Bennet as before.
2. Bennet impaling O. on fess S. 3 allerions displayed O.
3. Bennet quartering Dethick as before.

In the Nave, in brasse on marble, 3 figures *viz.* the Husband between his two wives; Inscription thus:

Of your charity pray for the soules of
Water Clowt, & Isabella, & Susann
his wyves, on whose soules God have mercy.

Near to the former is this Inscription on brass on freestone:

“..... Richard Spenser of Quidhampton.”

N. Aisle.

An Epitaph on the death of Mrs. Blanch Sadler, the wife of Mr. Wm. Sadler, of Elcombe, who dyed in the 37th year of her age, and was buried under this stone:

“She was (whose tombe thou viewest) a faithfull wife
 Chast, Cheerfull, Frugall, Pleasing to her Fere
 Patient and peaceable, hating all strife
 A sweet companion, and a friend most deare.
 Childless she was, yet mother unto many
 She made the poor, her brother, sister, mother
 As kind she was unto her kinne as any
 To equall her, 'tis hard to find another.
 A courteous neighbour, good to one and all
 Yet taught by Grace to putt a difference
 For Piety the best we may her call
 That living in our age was taken hence.
 A Saint she was on earth, a Saint she is
 Moane all our losse, but envy none her blisse.

Pro. 10 vers. 7.

The Memory of the just is blessed
 but the name of the wicked shall rot.

O. B. (Oliver Brunsden,* the Vicar here.)

(* This should be Brunsell.—*Editor.*)

Pyton or Pureton.

This is a very faire Church, sometime doubtless a place of great devotion, as appears by those many niches in the walls within and without to sett images in, &c. At the East end of the Chancell without are two Angells holding some vegetative between them, which I suppose to be either a laurell or olive-branch.

All the windowes in the Chancell are seminated all over with estoilles or starres of 6 points.

On the North side of the Altar, in the wall, is an old marble tombe, but the Inscription with coates of armes being in brasse, to perpetuate the memories of the dead, gave occasion to sacrilegious hands to teare them away.

In this Church have been very fine paynted glasse, but now broken and mangled, that there is little to be recovered.

In a cross Aile, on the South side, in the third column of the East windowe is this coate: Barry of 6 Vaire & G. In the South windowe, in the same Aile, are severall Inscriptions, with severall Bishops with their Mitres and Crosjers.

This coate, G. a cross A. is in the last windowe on the South side of the Church, and this inscription shuffled by the glazier, I know not how, into the first column in the same window, **Johanes Passus.**

In this parish was the Chancellor Hyde's habitation when a private gentleman, before the civill warres.*

Marleborough.

Marleborough Castle and Keepe now my Lord Seymour's Mount.

Cunetium did not stand where now stands Marleborough, but farther northwards, towards, Middenhall notwithstanding Cunetium is commonly taken for Marleborough, and the mappe makers know nothing to the contrary. *Vide et q.* the ruins of old Cunetium of Jeffrey Daniel, Esqr. & Mr. Gilmore. It hath its name from the river Kynet or Cynet. Kynette in Welsh signifies scolding; water will make such a kind of noise.

Wanborough.

Some will have its etymologie to be wayen burrough, from the waves or

* On the Chimney Piece of which is the same coat of a fox regardant upon a looking-glass as Aubrey has drawn under Tisbury. (Editor.)

waynes, which passe through some part of it: but (under correction of better judgement) I should have it corruptedly so called for Wodens-Burgh or Burrough, as Wans-dyke elsewhere in this countrey.

Here is a tradition that at a certaine place in this parish called court-close, sometime resided the famous Lovell, favorite to Richard the Third, King of England; the house with a chapell adjoining, and another at Hall-place in this parish, dedicated to Saint Ambrose, (as I am informed) were carried to the building of the Tower: here are few vestigia of any such structure to be discovered, only a mote which encompassed the house commonly called Lovell's mote.

At several places hereabouts are every yeare digged up Roman coynes, ruines of houses, and black ashes, especially about the meadow called the Nighs.

In the third collumn of the East windowe in the Chancell, I find these two coates, viz.

1. Ermine on a fess G. 3 martlets, O. a crescent for diff. S.
2. O. a bend Ermine. broken in the first columnne of the same windowe.

In the limbe of the windowe this Inscription:

**Orate p Dona.* que hanc fenestram fieri
fecit. Anno Dni. millesimo. CCCC.LXXX.V.**

At the upper end of the South Aisle on a marble stone, this Inscription in brasse beneath their pictures, (in black letter:)

**Marmoreo lapide Thomas jacet hic et Edytha
Quem Polton vita quisque vocabat ita
Quos mors expulit hinc milleno Virginis anno
Quadringenteno decimo quibus addimus octo
Andena luce Septembris hunc duodena
Hanc febrin gradiens fundas precamina plena
Octoque natorum natarum totque suarum
Collegiu. carum circameundo Sarum
Ex obitu quoru. Wanbergh. natus habebit
Quatuor atque decem mimos. quem rite tenebit
Post ortum Matris Dni. Dominica die sequente
Ellermis de et Halle Place Wanbergh retinente.**

* Emma Fisher, as I am informed.

In the first colunne of the second windowe, on the South side of the Church, I find this coate: A. a lion ramp. O. crowned G. on the shoulder a cross-crosslet fitche S. which (according to Mr. Antony Wood's rule) appears very ancient. Some broken in every column of the same window. Dayrell without the cross-crosslet, but whether it is a chardge or minute difference I know not. *q. T. G. Esqr. de hoc.* This is empaled with the cross-crosslet fitche on the shoulder, sinisterly with Hungerford's coate in the second column of the first windowe in the Chancel at Downeampney, Gloucestershire.

The following Inscription engraved on a brass plate in the wall of the North side of the Bellfree:

**Orate p. Thoma Polton et Edytha ux. eius defunctis magro.
Philippo Archno. Gloucestr. Agnete et xiiij aliis eoru.
liberis. Dno. Robto. Eberard Vicario et oibus. suis pochiais.
q. hoc capanile. icepert. Anno Dni. M,CCCC,XXXV.**

Near to the Poultons lye buried some of the Hintons of an Equestriall family sometime living in this parish, but of no long continuance. I have not seen their coate in colour and metal, it is on a bend inter 2 cotizes 3 martletts. In the Chancell under the high altar lieth interred, the Lady Mary Hinton, wife of Sir Thomas Hinton, Knight, daughter of Mr. Peter Tryon, and sometime wife and widowe of Sir Sebastian Harvey, Knight, Citizen and Alderman of London: she dyed about M,DC,XXX.

Here is a Lott-Mead celebrated yearly with great ceremony; the Lord weareth a garland of flowers; the mowers at one house have always a pound of beef and a head of garlick every man, according to that of Horace "*O dura messorum illa!*" with many other old customs still retayned; it is now sufficiently known to the neighbouring gentry for revelling and horseracing.

This escutcheon is in a window of the Parsonage house: A. 2 chevrons G.

Stratton St. Margaret,

Here is nothing very remarkable either ancient or modern, only in the

N. wall of the Church is an old nich, but without any monument. In a window on the South side, is the picture of St. Katharine with her wheels and another broken in the first column, which I suppose to be St. Margaret the Tutelar saint of this Church. Here are no coates of armes, only on the tombe of one Lacy *alias* Hedges, Az. 3 swans' heads eraz. proper; and on one Kemble's tombe, S. on a bend A. 3 leopards' heads cabossed. Neither of these have been interred above forty yeares.

Here is likewise a tradition that this was a Market-towne in the time of the Saxons.

Merton, Bishop of Rochester and Founder of Merton College, in Oxford had once the cure of soules here; he afterwards purchased the mannour and gave it to his college.

Rodbourne-Cheiney.

In the Chancell, on the South side of the Altar, is a monument erected to William Holcroft, Gent:

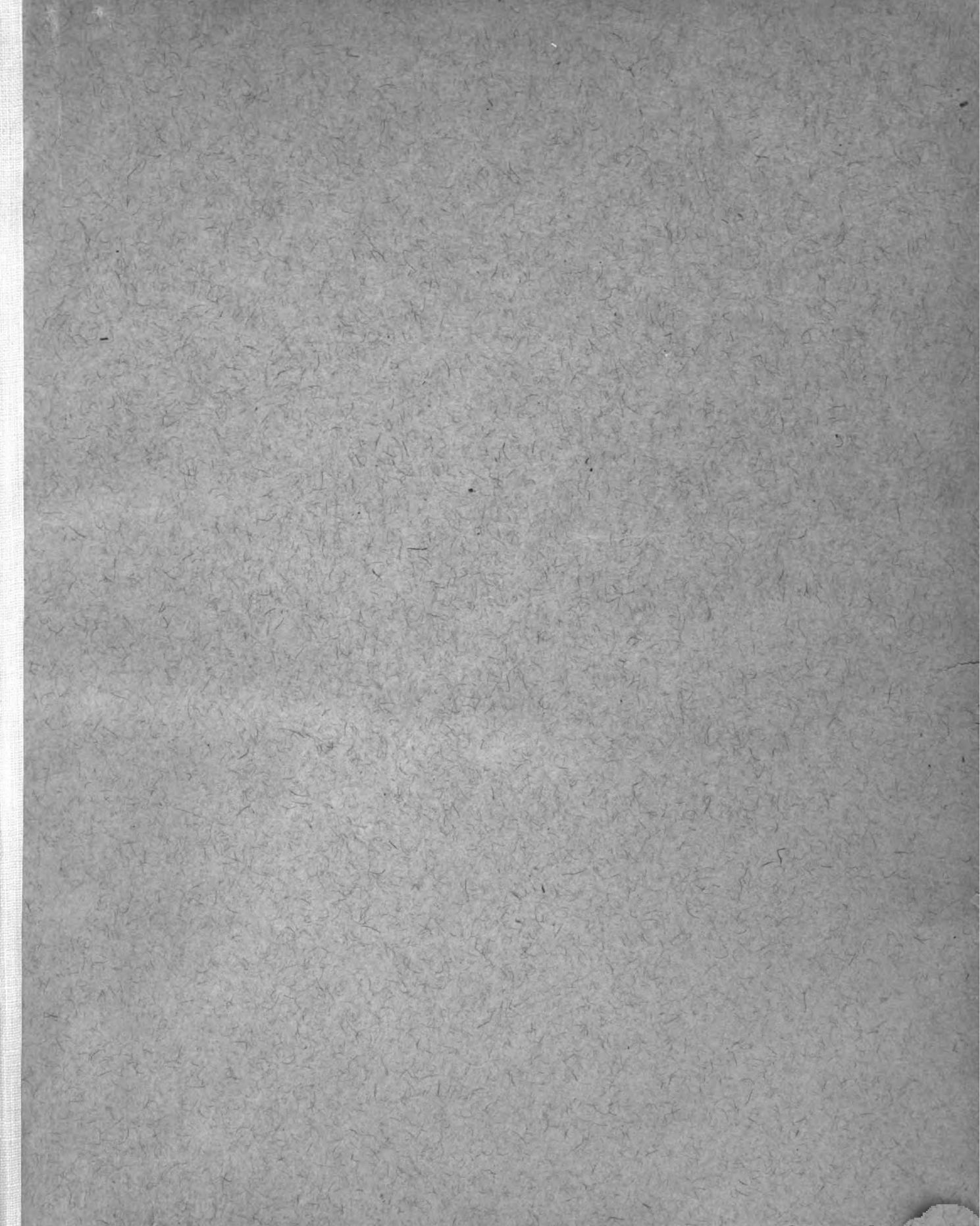
“In the name of God, Amen. Here lyeth the body of William Holcroft the sonne of Thomas Holcroft and Margery Sandis his wife, the youngest daughter of the Lord Thomas Sandis; the sayd William Holcroft at the time of making this his monument, had to wife Dorothy Bedingfield, the daughter of Thomas Bedingfield, of Bedingfield, in the county of Suffolke, Esquire, and by her had five children, namely Thomas and William Holcroft, Elizabeth, Dorothy, and Mary Holcroft, for whom he prayed God to bless them, saying, Christ is to mee life; death is to mee advantage. Anno Domini 1621, July XXVIII.”

1. Holcroft—A. a cross and border engr. S.
2. The same quartering O. a cross raguly S.
3. The same impaling A. 3 roses G.
4. The same impaling A. an eagle displayed G.

In an Aisle adjoining to the Chancell, now belonging to Edward Webb,

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