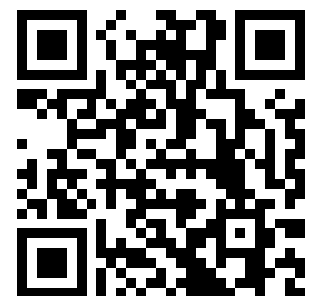

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A D V E R T I S E M E N T.

The Editor of the *BIBLIOTHECA TOPOGRAPHICA BRITANNICA* presents this number to the publick with the more pleasure, as it gives him an opportunity of acknowledging his obligations to a number of very respectable friends. For the ground-work of the Histories of *RECVLVER* and *HERNE*, he is indebted to Mr. *DUNCOMBE*; and for many of the embellishments therein to his accomplished Lady. Sir *JOHN CULLUM*, Mr. *GOUGH*, and Mr. *BOYS*, have each largely contributed towards the illustration of the Antiquities of *RECVLVER*; and Mr. *JACKSON* has happily exerted his elegant poetic talents in lamenting the probable demolition of "The Sister Spires."

When the work was far advanced at the prefs, the Editor having accidentally mentioned it to Dr. *DU CAREL*, that gentleman very kindly communicated the instruments printed in p. 129, and the following pages; which were long since taken by him from the archiepiscopal records and registers at Lambeth, the parish of *RECVLVER* being exempt from the archdeacon's jurisdiction, and, as such, immediately under that of the Commissary of Canterbury. From the same source the Editor has been enabled to give the names of the incumbents of *RECVLVER* and *HERNE* as far as the beginning of this century, which have been completed by Mr. *DE LASAUX*, Registrar of that diocese.

For the curious description of *FORD-HOUSE*, from the Parliamentary Survey, the Editor is indebted to Mr. *SAMPSON*, the archbishop of Canterbury's receiver. And it is greatly to be lamented that no plan or view of that ancient building when in its splendour has yet been any where discovered.

ANTIQUITIES in KENT.

HISTORY of RECULVER.

By JOHN DUNCOMBE, M.A.

OF RECULVER, or, as it is still pronounced by the inhabitants, RACULFAR, the Latin name is *Regulbium**, and the Saxon *Raculf-cester*, or *Raculf-minster*, which Lambard fancies to be derived from the British word *racor*, which signifies “forward;” because this place projects towards the sea. Harrison, however, derives its name from one Raculfus, who built, he says, a monastery there. But the Saxon Chronicle ascribes the building of it to Bassa, one of the nobles of king Egbert, then a priest, to whom that prince, A. D. 669, gave some lands, and the place was called *Raculf* before that time†. Mr. Archdeacon Battely, in his *Antiquitates Rutupinæ*, thinks that it rather takes its name from the British word *rbag*, which signifies “before,” and *gwylfa*, “watch-

* Twyne, De rebus Albionis, p. 26, cited by Battely *Antiquitates Rutupinæ*, p. 59, says, “*Regulbium quasi Reculsum a recello derivandum.*”

† An. DCCLXIX. Dep Ecbyphc cyning sealbe Basse mæsse preost Racult mynster on to tymbrianne. p. 40.

Reculver, *Raculf* Bede, *Reaculfe* Saxon. *Taculf* Floril. falsely for *Raculf*. King Egbert gave to one Bassa a priest the land at Raculf standing on the North side of the water sometime called Genlade, to build a monasterie upon. Shortlie after Brightwolde beinge abbot of the house was made archbishop of Canterbury, and successor to Theodore the Grecian. It is in Kent, at the side of Tanet, and called at this day *keculvers*. Lambarde, Dist. p. 291.

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ing," or perhaps from *golen*, "a light;" and hence, he supposes, the Latin word *Regulbium** may be derived; it having very early a watch-tower, where, no doubt, lights were kept to direct ships in the night †. The castle also commanded a view not only of the open sea, or the German ocean, but of the mouths of those noble rivers the Thames and the Medway; on which account it was used as a watch-tower, to discover the approaches of an enemy, and also as a light-house to guide mariners, by fires kindled every night; and this purpose used to be answered by the two steeples of the church ‡, called the Sisters, or the *Reculvers*, which formerly served as a sea-mark for avoiding the flats or shallows in the mouth of the Thames; but by the shifting of the sands they are now said to be no longer useful, and mariners rather depend on St. Nicholas church, or Monkton mill.

"The countenance of the fort doubtless (as Dr. Salmon observes §), encouraged a settlement of inhabitants where they might be secure. And the ground was so well chosen for a Pharos, that the remaining towers of the monastery built afterwards on the same spot are at this day a sea-mark and a rule for sailors."

It is situated in the north part of Kent, 9 miles N.N.E. from Canterbury, 6.5 from London, and 12 east from Margate, in the diocese of Canterbury and deanery of Westbere.

It was annexed to Christ church in Canterbury, A.D. 949, by the grant of king Edred, in the presence of archbishop Odo, being then estimated at 26 cassates, with all appurtenances on the shore, in the field, meadows, forests, &c||. The liberty of

* Dr. Battely, from the mention of this place in the Notitia only, supposed it was at first called *Rutupiæ*, as well as the other station of that name on the coast. Antiq. Rutup. p. 52.

† Mr. Baxter derives it from *Reg ol uion*, q.d. the point against the waves.

‡ See the views annexed, Plates I. and II.

§ New Survey of England, p. 45.

|| Mon. Ang. l. 21. This grant may be seen in the Appendix, transcribed from the original in the Cotton library.

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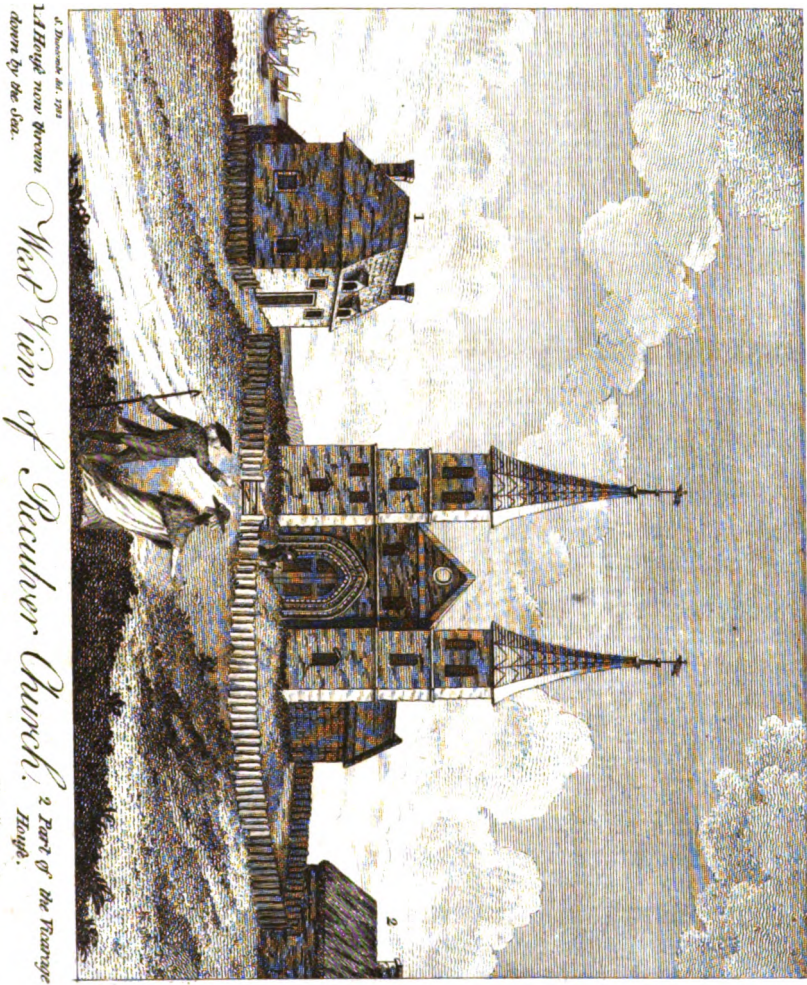


Plate I, p. 66.

At Quebec, Dec. 1791. The House now between West View of Quebec Church, & Part of the Terrace down by the Sea.

the archbishop of Canterbury claims over the manor of Reculver, and the liberty of St. Augustine over the rest of the parish, as being in the hundred of Blengate, which belonged to that abbey. But anciently Reculver was an hundred of itself*. So in Domesday, I. 3 b.

IN ROCVLF HVND.

Ipse Archieps ten⁷ ROCVLF . p . viii . solins † se
defd . Tra . ē . xxx . car . In dñio sunt . iii . car .
7 q̄t xx . 7 x . uilli cū . xxv . bord hñt . xxvii . car .
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hñ archieps . vii . lib 7 vii . solid .

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car 7 dimid . Ibi æccla . 7 x . ac̄ p̄ti . Silua . l . porc .
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7 v . sol . 7 post tñt . 7 m̄ redd archiepo . l . lib .
7 xiiii . sol 7 ii . den . 7 archidiacono . xx . sol .
De hoc \mathfrak{C} ten⁷ Vitalis de archiepo . iii . solins .
7 un̄ jug 7 xii . ac̄s træ . 7 ibi hñ . v . car . 7 xxix .
bord 7 v . seruos . 7 vii . salinas de . xxv . sol 7 iii . den .
Ibi . ē . æccla 7 una parua dena siluæ . Int totū uaf
xiiii . lib . 7 vi . sol 7 vi . den .

* Kilburne's Kent, p. 221.

† *Solinum* was a measure of land peculiar to the county of Kent, equal to seven carucates; for so Du Cange *in voc.* corrects Coke upon Littleton, § 1. or 17. Somner confounds it with *swothynga*, a plough land, from *ryth*, a plough. Du Cange *in voc.* Mr. Hasted, without ascertaining its contents, defines it "a larger measure than a carucate."

Philipot, and Somner after him, gave Domesday account of this place thus :

“ Raculf est manerium archiepiscopi in T.R.E. se defendebat pro viii. full. & est appretiatum x. & ii. lib. & v. sol. tres minutes minus.”

Minutes, says Philipot, was a coin equivalent to our now English pence. But this extract is so different from the original record, that little stress can be laid on it.

The church, dedicated to St. Mary, is now a vicarage, and valued, with Hoath chapel, an adjoining parish which is annexed to it, at 9*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.* in the king's books; together about 100*l.* a year. It is exempt from the jurisdiction of the archdeacon of Canterbury, was very anciently of the archbishop's collation, as appears by a record in a note below*, and so continues.

The present vicar is the rev. Richard Morgan.

It was of old a mother-church, on which depended four chapels of ease, *Hoath, Herne*, and in *Tbanet*, *St. Nicholas* and *All Saints*. Upon the three last was imposed, for the mother-church's greater honour and dignity, or *in signum subjectionis*, as the instrument expresses it, an annual pension to the vicar of Reculver on the founding of that by archbishop Winchelsea, 1310, with those other vi-

* “ Rex ex merâ graciâ concessit papæ fructus archiepiscopatus Cantuariensis, necnon jus presentandi ad ecclesias ejusdem durante vacacione, *salvâ presentacione ad ecclesiam de Reculver*, quam rex prius concessit Nicho de Tingewicke, medico suo. 12 Sept. Rot. Rom. de annis 24 & 25 Ed. I. m. 8 & 9. E. collect. Jo. Anstis.” Lewis, Hist. of Tenet, p. 31.

“ The parson or rector, when in being, and when petty ecclesiastical jurisdictions under *foreign commissaries*, as they called them, were in fashion, now 300 years ago and upwards, had the same jurisdiction within his own parish and chapelries annexed as afterwards, and at this day, the commissary of Canterbury exerciseth there. I have seen commissions to this purpose to the rector there for the time being, both from the archbishop *sede plenâ*, and from the prior and convent *sede vacante*. And it was indeed a common practice with it, and such other exempt churches as, like it, were mother-churches in the diocese, in those days.” Somner's Roman Ports, p. 85.

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carages of Herne and St. Nicholas, the vicarage of St. Nicholas and All Saints being charged with 3*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* per annum, and that of Herne with 40*s.* per annum *. And as the vicars of these dependent and annexed chapels were under this charge and burthen to him of the mother-church, so the parishioners and people of these chapelries, however gratified and accommodated with chapels of ease for lessening their trouble by shortening their way to church, whether for divine service in their life-time or interment after death, yet were, it seems, left as liable and subject to the repairs of the mother-church of Reculver, as the peculiar and proper inhabitants of the place and themselves were before the chapels were erected: a matter controverted between them of Herne and Reculver in archbishop Stratford's time, who, after cognizance taken of the cause, and evidence of all parties, passed a decree in the year 1335 (which Mr. Somner had seen under seal, and had a copy of it), in behalf of the Reculverians, condemning and adjudging those of Herne to the repair of the mother-church. Much contest about this matter happened afterwards, till by a decree (which Mr. Somner had also seen) of archbishop Warham in the reign of Henry VIII. the difference was by and with the consent of all parties thus finally adjusted: that the people of each chapelry (Herne and St. Nicholas) should redeem the burthen of repairs by the payment of a certain moderate annual stipend, or pension, in money 3*s.* 4*d.* (now 5*s.*) by the church-wardens of Herne and St. Nicholas to those of Reculver, on a certain set day in the year (Monday in Whitsun-week); but with this proviso, that if they kept not this day, but overslipped it, they were then laid open and exposed to the law, and must fall under as full an obligation to the repairs of the mother church as if the decree had never been †. Hoath still remains liable to the repairs of the mother-church,

* See the endowment of Herne in the Antiquities of that parish.

† Somner, *ib.* p. 85—87. Lewis's Hist. of Tener, p. 30.

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by a decree of archbishop Fitz-Alan, dated at Ford, Jan. 20, 1410*.

The great tithes, formerly given by archbishop Kilwarby to the hospitals of Harbledown and St. John's North-gate, were appropriated by king Edward III. at the request of archbishop Stratford, to the archbishoprick of Canterbury, and are now held on lease by Richard Milles, esq; late one of the members for that city, to whose family they have been demised ever since the reign of king James I†.

Kilburn says, it was once a cathedral church; but this does not appear. He was probably misled by the governor being styled, not an abbot, but dean‡. But that was common in those monasteries which had secular canons.

A. D. 747, Egbert II, king of Kent, gave to the church of *Reculfre*, in the time of archbishop Bregwin, the toll of one ship in the town of Fordwich§. Eardulf, king of Kent, gave, A. D. 943, to Heahberth, abbot of Racul, and his family, the monks residing in the place called *Raculfre*, the produce, or land, of one plough ||, in a place called *Perhamstede* **. In a MS. Cartulary of the archbishop of Canterbury, in the Bodleian library, p. 11. is a grant of Lothair; king of Kent, of *Westanea* and *Sturige* to this monastery, A. D. 679; and of Eadmund, king of Kent, of *Scilwitb*, A. D. 784 ††. Bishop Tanner supposes †† that the abbot and black

* Chartæ Antiquæ, C. 188. Archiv. Cantuar.

† The great-grandfather of this gentleman, Christopher Milles, esq. of Herne, by his will, dated May 28, 1638, left four pounds annually to the poor of this parish, to continue as long as the lease of the parsonage should be continued to any of his surname. See the clause in the Antiquities of Herne. He died on the 13th of November following.

‡ See Somner's Roman Ports, &c. p. 82.

§ Mon. Ang. I. 19. See also a MS. Cartulary of the archbishop of Canterbury in the Bodleian library, p. 14.

|| The original is imperfect, *et etiam unius aratri*.

** Ib. 20. MS. Cartul. archiep. Cant. p. 27.

†† Ib. p. 27. Mon. Ang. p. 19.

†† Not. Mon. p. 207.

monks were removed when it was annexed to Christ-church; yet it seems to have remained a church of more than ordinary note, and under the government of a dean, till A. D. 1030.

In Philipot's time the church was "full of solitude, and languished into decay; yet when Leland made his perambulation, it was in a more splendid equipage."

Leland calls the chancel here by the name of choir, and says, that at the entrance of it was one of the fairest and most stately crosses that ever he saw; it was nine feet in height, and stood like a fair column. The basis was a great unwrought stone. The second stone was round, and had the images of Christ, and some of his apostles, curiously wrought, with labels from their mouths painted in large Roman letters. The next stone contained the passion of our Saviour. The next above that had the twelve apostles. The fifth had our Saviour nailed to the cross, with a *sustentaculum* under his feet; and the uppermost stone was in the form of a cross. Leland saw also in the church a very ancient book of the Gospels in large Roman letters, and in the boards thereof a crystal stone, inscribed CLAVDIA ATEPICCUS; probably a Roman seal found here. On the north side of the church was then the figure of a bishop painted under an arch*. Leland adds, in digging about the church-yard were found old buckles of girdles and rings (*fibule*). The whole precinct of the monastery, as appeared by the old wall and the vicarage-house, was made of ruins of the monastery. There was a neglected chapel without the church-yard, which, some said, was a parish-church before the abbey was suppressed and given to the archbishop of Canterbury †. There was also a hermitage.

At the upper end of the south aisle, Weever says †, he saw a monument of an antique form, mounted with two spires,

* Itinerary VII. 137.

† Ib.

‡ Funeral Monuments, p. 260.

In which, as tradition says, lay the body of Ethelbert I. the fifth Saxon king of Kent, and the first Christian monarch, who, after giving his palace at St. Augustine's in Canterbury to the monk of that name, the English apostle, retired to his palace at Reculver, where he died, and was buried in this church under an arch. No remains either of the cross above mentioned, or of this monument, are now to be seen; but in the place of the latter, on the wall, was, a few years ago, the following old inscription, now inaccurately transcribed on a wooden tablet :

*Here, as historiographers have said,
 St. Ethelbert, Kent's whilome king, was laid,
 Whom St. Augustine with the Gospel entertain'd,
 And in this land hath ever since remain'd;
 Who though by cruel Pagans he was slain,
 The crown of martyrdom he did obtain.
 Who died on the 24th of February, in the year 616.*

The Annals of St. Augustine say, that the body of king Ethelbert II. was also interred there A. D. 760.

In the chancel, within the communion rails, is a handsome monument representing Sir Cavalliero and Lady Maycote, with their eight children, all in alabaster figures, kneeling, and over them the family arms, with this inscription :

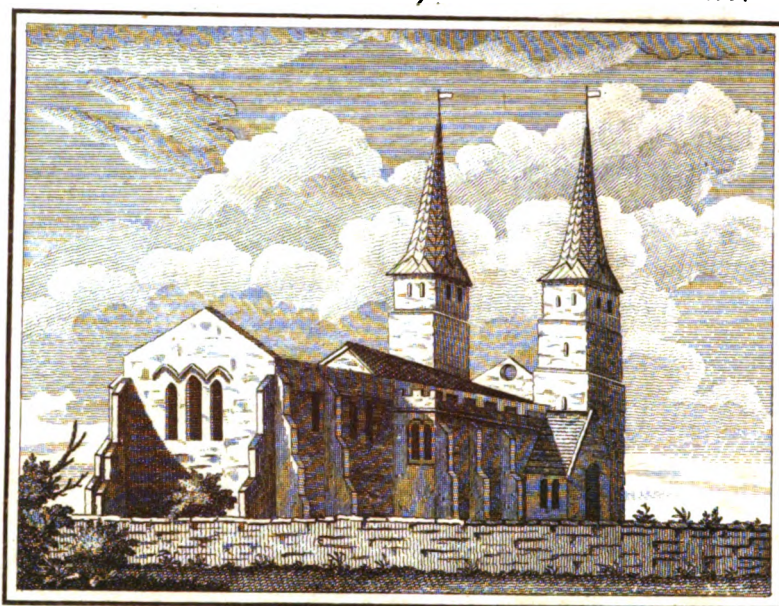
*Here under waite for a joyful resurrection, the bodies of dame Marie and of her husband Sir Cavalliero Maycoté, knight, who lived together in great contentment (from St. Andrew's day, anno 1586) full 20 yeares, in which time they had 8 sonnes and one daughter, namelye Jhon, Thomas, George, Richarde, Thomas, William, Harbert, George, and Elizabeth, wharof 5 sonnes dyed before them. She was the daughter of Thomas Monninges, gent. and Ales Crispe, sumetime dwellers at Swanton in Liddon, and dyed on Christmas-daye, anno 1606. He was the sonne of George Maycote, gent. and of Margarett Brooker (long dwellers in this parishe) who dyed
 To all whome the Lorde be merciful at the latter daye.*

He lived at Brook, in this parish (now a farm-house belonging to Sir Henry Oxenden, so named probably from a brook that runs near it), where is a curious old gateway with brick pillars.

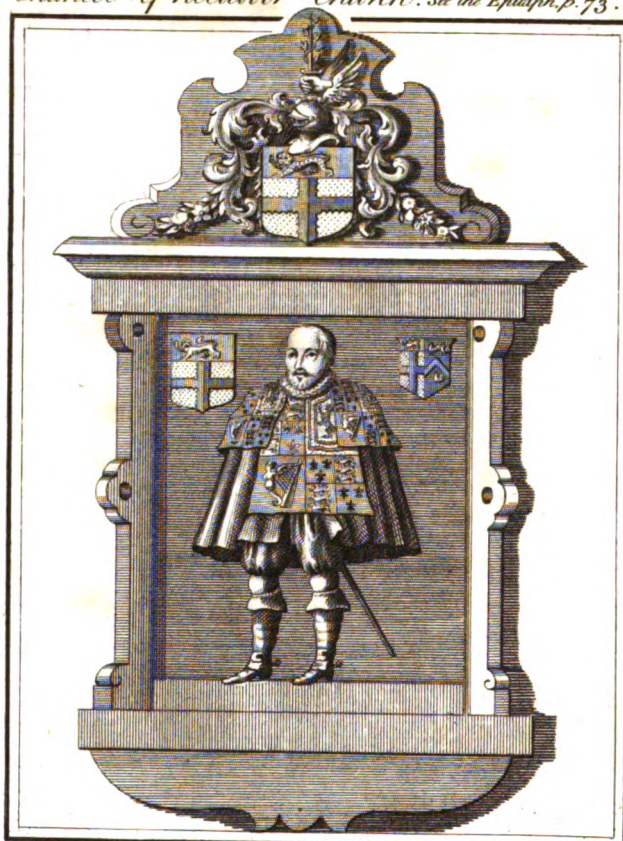
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North East View of Reculver Church.

Plate II p. 73.



Perry del. Monument of Ralph Brook, York Herald, in the Chancel of Reculver Church. See the Epitaph, p. 73.



To D^r DUCAREL, F.R and A.S.S. Commissary and Official of Canterbury, this Plate is Respectfully inscribed.

On a flat stone in the chancel are two brass figures [see plate V. fig. 6], with this inscription engraved :

Hic jacet Johannes Sandewey armiger, et Johanna uxor ejus ; quorum animabus propitiatur Deus. Amen.

Which seems to be thus given by Weever :

Here lieth Sandwey esquire, and Joan his wife, who died 1437, 6 Henry VI.

On a brass plate against the fourth wall, with a herald's coat (engraved in plate II.)

Here under quitt from worldly miseries
Ralph Brook, esquire, late Yorke Herald, lyes ;
Fifteenth of October he was last alive,
One thousand sixe hundred twenty and five.
Seaventy-three yeares bore he fortune's harmes,
And forty-five an officer of armes.
He married Thomsin daughter of Michaell Cobb of Kent,
Serjeant at Armes, by whome two daughters God him lent ;
Survyvinge, Mary, William Dickins wife,
Thomasin, John Exton's—Happy be their life.

Weever also gives the following epitaph :

Hic jacet dominus Thomas qui ob
Vos qui transitis Thomam desere velitis,
Per me nunc scitis quid prodest & gloria ditis.

The arched western door-way (plate V. fig. 2.) is a beautiful remain of Saxon architecture, but being much exposed to the weather, is mouldering away.

A fair was anciently held here on St. Giles's day, September 1* ; and William †, archbishop of Canterbury, procured it a grant of a market on Thursdays, 1279, 7 Edward I ‡.

* Kilburne.

† Philipot. There is an error in this name. Robert Kilwarby was the archbishop who procured the market.

‡ Here again Philipot mistakes, by saying that it was obtained " 7 Edward II."

Reculver, in Leland's time, was near half a mile from the sea-shore: but it is to be supposed that in times past the sea came up to Gore-end, two miles from Northmouth; as at Gore-end was a little stair, called Broadstaires, to go down the cliff; and about this shore was good taking of mullets. The great Ragufeis lay for defence of wind at Gore-end*.

The great antiquity of this place is apparent from the vast number of Roman coins (chiefly of the lower empire), medals, vases, &c. that have been, and still continue to be, found here. For Reculver (or *Regulbium*) no doubt was one of the five Roman watch-towers, or forts, as Richborough castle (or *Rutupia*) was another, each of them commanding one of the mouths of the river Genlade, or Wantsume, which, as Bede says, then divided the isle of Thanet from the continent of Kent. This castle †, which guarded the north mouth, was the Roman station of the *Vetasi* ‡, and was certainly on the hill where now stands the church, and where formerly stood the monastery; though between the time of the Romans and its monastic state it was also (as has been related p. 72.) the site of a royal palace, not only for Ethelbert I. but for all his successors, kings of Kent. The consular denarii, and the coins of all the Roman emperors from Julius to Honorius, and sharp, fine, new-coined medals of Tiberius and Nero, which have been found here in great numbers, prove that the Romans had not only an early settlement here, but that they long continued it. Many globules have been also found unstruck, which, with other circumstances, have given Dr. Battely reason to suppose

* Itin. VII. 137.

† Kilburne ascribes the building of this castle to the emperor Severus.

‡ "Tribunus cohortis primæ *Vetatorum Regulbio*" under the count of the Saxon shore. *Notitia Imperii*. Horsley, *Brit. Rom.* p. 476. 487. These soldiers are called *BETASHI* in an inscription on an altar at Elenfoot fort in Cumberland. They were a people of Belgic Gaul, written in Pliny *Betasi*, in Tacitus *Betasi* or *Betasi*. Horsley, *ibid.* 281. *Cumberl.* LXVI.

Fig. 1.

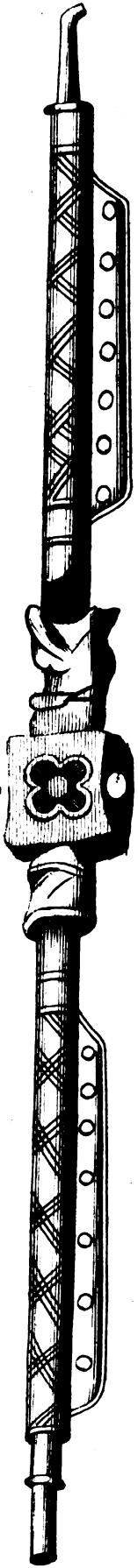


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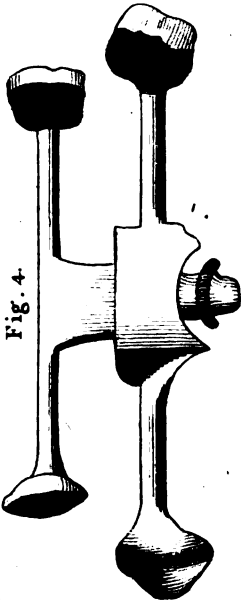


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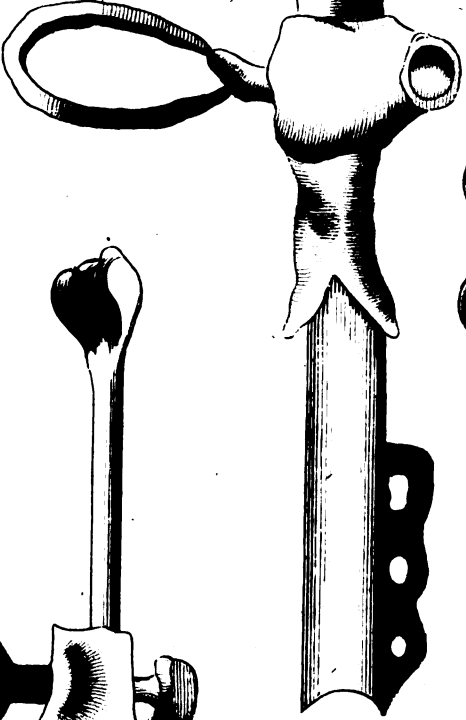


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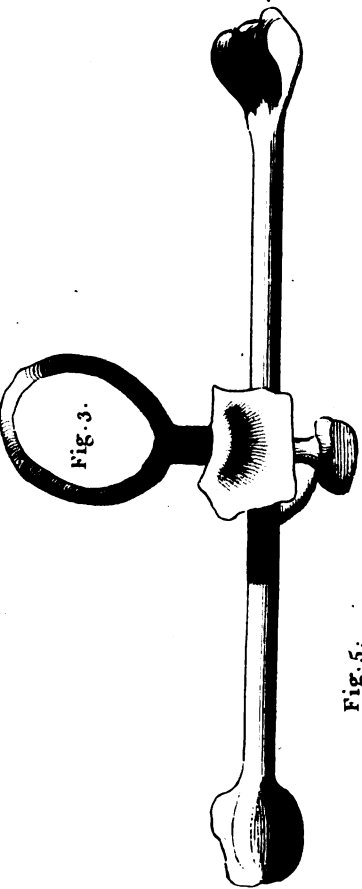
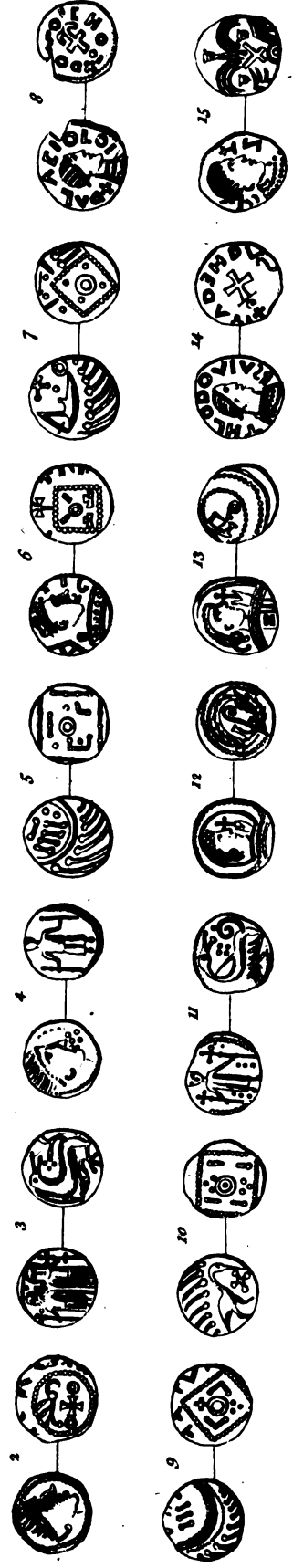


Fig. 5.



that this place was formerly so considerable as to have had a mint, as vast masses of a mixed metal, formed by the melting of some brass and gold coins which lay contiguous, have occasioned Dr. Plot also reasonably to conjecture that Reculver was formerly burnt, either by accident or by an enemy. British coins, of the metal called *electrum*, one-fourth gold and the rest brass, and some others of silver, with odd characters on them, neither British nor Gothic, but perhaps Gaulish, (see pl. III. and p. 76.) some with Christian crosses, many quarter-pieces of the old English pennies, and others of king Henry III. and his three successors, have also been found here, with Roman urns, *patera*, vases, &c. broken by the falling of the cliffs. The antiquities engraved in Pl. III. found at Reculver, were communicated by the late Mr. Gostling to the Society of Antiquaries June 8, 1738. They are supposed to be the *antenna*, or cross bars, of the Roman *vevillum*, or standard*. Fig. 1. is engraved by scale from a drawing of Mr. Holmes †, and is 9 inches $\frac{5}{8}$ thin length, besides being a little crooked. The colours being laced to it through the several holes, which are on each side of a larger one, through which, it appears by another (fig. 3.) found since by the same curious gentleman, went a swivel, with an oval loop, or ring, at top to fasten it by to the pole, or pike, held by the standard-bearer; a representation of which is very common in the allocutions on the Roman medals, only with this difference, that in them the pole, or staff, seems to have gone through this hole. By the Tau, or cross, on the side opposite, which in our plate has a rose, it may be supposed to be one of the standards of the emperor Constantine, whose coins have been so frequently met with where this was found. Fig. 2. is seven inches long, and has but

* Mr. Stennit of Boston, and some members of the Society of Antiquaries, supposed them yards of a ship; referring to Bayfius de re navali, p. 164—168. Others imagine them the beams of scales or stilliards, which perhaps is the most probable opinion of the three.

† Lewis on seals, p. 7, where it is engraved.

three holes to lace the standard to it. Fig. 3. is four inches long, and may have served as a fibula, as our spring swivels do now; the ring hanging to a belt, and the antennæ passing through a slit in the accoutrements. Fig. 4. is a double pair, of two inches and two inches and a half in length. The bell, or ornament, fig. 5. has five triangular holes.

In the same plate are represented 15 of those small rude coins mentioned by Dr. Battely (see p. 75), who had them engraved on a scale larger than the originals, which were more faithfully executed on a separate plate, with many others found in and near the isle of Thanet, at the expence of Mr. John White, in order to obtain some account of them.

The two first are not unlike the coins of *Clovis*, engraved by Bouteroue, p. 195, who calls the bird a *peacock*.

The cross on the eighth occurs on others of the same prince, *ibid.* p. 199. 201, and in Bouteroue's seven plates at the end of his work.

The reverse of the last may be paralleled with that in the same author, p. 209 and 237.

N° 14 may belong to *Theodoric*, son of *Clovis*, *ibid.* p. 210.

N° 5, and perhaps N° 7, is more perfectly represented in Bouteroue, p. 215, and referred to ^{by him} ~~by~~ *Clodomir*. *Vicus*, or *Quantovicus*; was a considerable town near the river Authie, with a good port, famous for its trade, and frequently mentioned in the reign of Dagobert, though now reduced to a village named *Quain-le-vieil*. Perhaps N° 9 and 10 are of the same kind.

A close comparison with the coins engraved in Bouteroue's book, allowing for the difference of draughtsmen, and with varieties in other cabinets not yet engraved, might perhaps ascertain all these coins to be Gaulish.

The

The Roman town has been long covered by the sea, which last winter threw down the remains of the north side of the old Roman wall which surrounded the castle, and makes such rapid inroads on the cliff (great part of it, with a house, standing when the view in plate I. was taken, and which in the memory of man had a farm-yard adjoining to it, being lately thrown down), that it has long been apprehended that this noble structure and sea-mark, with all the level below it, notwithstanding the great attention and expence bestowed in planking, piling, &c. by the commissioners of sewers, will in a few years share the fate of the Roman town above mentioned. Reasonable hopes, however, are now entertained that both the church and the level will be saved by the skill and efforts of captain (now Sir Thomas Hyde) Page, of whose abilities as an engineer the public have had a remarkable proof, by his supplying Sheerness with water from the depth of 328 feet, in July, 1782.

For a slight sketch of the works at Reculver, proposed by Sir Thomas Page, and described in a note, p. 90, see plate V. fig. 9. in which

a a a are Fascines.

b b b High-water mark.

c c Return at each end.

d d Jettees.

e e e Cliff.

f Church.

For a farther account of the antiquities of this place, the reader must be referred to Dr. Battely's *Antiquitates Rutupinae* (mentioned above) of which an English abridgement was published by the compiler of this article in 1774.

HELBURGH

HELBURGH was an ancient seat in this parish. The first that Philipot found possessed of it was *Nicholas Tingewike*, originally descended from Tingewike in the county of Buckingham, and who likewise held large possessions at Dartford. He died possessed of it, 14 Edward II.* 1321. After this family deserted the possession, *Pines* became its proprietors, of which family was *James de la Pine*, who was sheriff of Kent 26 and 27 Edward III. He was in possession of this place at his decease, 33 Edward III †, and left it to his son *Thomas Pine*; to whom succeeded another *James Pine*, who about the beginning of Henry IV. passed it away to *Cheyney*, in which family it continued till the beginning of Elizabeth; when the lord *Henry Cheyney*, who then began to retail himself and his estate out to ruin in parcels, alienated this to *Maycott*, whose son, *Sir Cavaliero Maycott* (mentioned p. 72) an eminent courtier in the reigns of Elizabeth and James, on the entrance of that prince into his government, passed it away to *Sir Christopher Clive*; and he immediately after conveyed it away to *Contry*, whose son, *Mr. Thomas Contry*, sold it to *Sir Edward Masters* of Canterbury; and his son, *Richard Masters*, esq. was heir to it when Philipot wrote †. This is the same mansion that is now called *Brook* § (see p. 72); which name was substituted by one of the masters, taken, I am informed, from the seat where they resided (now pulled down), near Wingham, and not, as I suspected, from the adjoining brook. From the heirs of that family it came to the late *Sir George Oxenden*, bart. father of *Sir Henry*, the present possessor.

* Rot. Esc. N° 182. This was probably the last rector at Reculver, who consented to the impropriation of it in 1310. See the endowment in the Antiquities of Herva. One of the same name was physician to Edward 1. and had a grant of the presentation, from that king, during the vacancy of the see. See p. 68. Could he, in consequence, take orders and present himself?

† Rot. Esc. N° 13.

‡ Philipot's Kent.

§ Harris's Hist. of Kent.

The

The oysters taken on this coast are well known to have been a luxury at Rome in the time of Juvenal:

Circeis nata forent, an:

Lucrinum ad saxum, Rutupinove edita fundo,

Ostrea, callebat primo deprendere morsu. Sat. IV. 140.

He whether Circe's rock his oysters bore,

Or Lucrine lake, or the Rutupian shore,

Knew at first taste.

DUKE.

“The oysters that be dredged at Reculver, are reputed as farre to passe those of Whitstaple, as Whitstaple doe surmount the rest of this shyre in favorie faltnesse*.”

The beautiful spires of Reculver have furnished Mr. Keate with an ingenious legendary tale in his *Sketches from Nature*, and they are also introduced in two poems, with which I shall close this article; the one by the lady who drew the West view of the church in plate I. the other by my friend Mr. William Jackson of Canterbury.

* Lambard's Kent, p. 261.

To

TO ANNA MARIA D.

How happy, thus free from the trouble of dress,
 In this rural retreat, this quiet recess ;
 Where you walk with a book, and furnish your mind
 ("Least alone, when alone") with ideas refin'd ;
 Where history, poetry, fable and song
 Alternately hasten time swiftly along :
 Too swiftly, O time, for improvement and joy,
 The hours pass away that you thus may employ !
 Here, thick branches around yield a sheltering shade,
 There, a bench beneath firs invites to yon glade.
 Here no visits of form our studies molest,
 Untortur'd your hair, unador'd flows your vest.
 Yet here with the warmest reception of love
 We enjoy our friends' converse in bower or in grove ;
 A few chosen friends, who by friendship sincere
 Are invited to gladden our solitude here ;
 Where learning's pursued, and philosophy fought,
 And you, my dear child, are insensibly taught
 How to value the world, its good to respect,
 Its vices abhor, and its follies reject :
 Yet chearful and playful, befitting your age,
 I wish not to check, by my precepts too sage,
 Any innocent sallies inspir'd by youth,
 Since I safely can trust your discretion and truth.
 And when winter advances, with reverend pace,
 The languishing charms of cool autumn to chase,
 When forc'd by the season reluctant you move,
 And leave the sea-shores, cliffs, and fields that you love,
 And high Reculver spires, the mariners' mark,
 Fair sight to behold from their far distant bark ;
 (O stop, mighty Neptune, now stop thy dread wave,
 And save from destruction these sisters, O save !)

Then

Then haste, dear Maria, this villa to quit,
 Society seek, and to fashion submit.
 Avoid all extremes, and let modesty guide,
 And carefully shun affectation and pride.
 At home, and abroad, in the dance, at the play,
 Not prudishly grave, nor coquetishly gay,
 Your manner polite to all ranks and degrees,
 Insensibly sweeten'd by wishing to please ;
 Let your heart to your friends be open and kind,
 And may friendship reward your ingenuous mind !
 Of your principles sure, and goodness of heart,
 I tenderly venture these hints to impart,
 For you only, Maria, my lays can inspire,
 Maternal affection awakens the lyre ;
 Hapless lyre ! forgotten, unfought, and unstrung,
 'Midst heaps of old poetry carelessly flung,
 'Till for you, in soft accents, once more I essay,
 By the Muse's assistance, advice to convey,
 Ever anxious to see, in each ripening year,
 Improvements in wisdom and virtue appear.
 Methinks a prophetic spirit I feel,
 Which tells me, this instant, what Time shall reveal ;
 Something more than the Muse now attends to my prayer,
 And your future character seems to declare,
 When judgment mature shall chase childhood away,
 Like mists of the morning before the noon-day.

Horne, Sept. 5,
 1781.

S. D.

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The

The SISTERS: an ELEGY.

Written on the Shore at HERNE Bay.

By Mr. W. JACKSON.

By the white margin of the tide,
Lone wand'rer, as I stray,
How free from care! how tranquil glide
My morning hours away!

Yet here my not inactive mind
What various scenes employ!
For in this solitude I find
Variety of joy.

Whether amid those sons of toil,
Who plough the swelling sea,
On yonder bench I rest awhile,
And join their jocund glee;

And briskly whilst from guest to guest
Goes round the nappy ale,
I listen to the peasant's jest,
Or hear the sailor's tale:

Or whether on the pebbly beach,
Eugenio by my side,
At length my listless limbs I stretch,
And watch th' approaching tide.

And sometimes by the winding shore
I meditate alone,
And listen to old ocean's roar,
And hear the sea-bird's moan.

And oft as by the rolling sea
In pensive mood I stray,
The fav'ring Muse will deign to be
The partner of my way.

And oft, regardless of the shore,
She turns my wand'ring eyes,
To where, yon brown cliff peering o'er,
The sister spires arise*.

Ye sisters then, alas the while,
A pitying tear I pay,
To view your venerable pile,
Now hast'ning to decay.

For Ruin, ill betide the deed!
Usurps each mould'ring stone,
And hastes with unobstructed speed
To claim you for his own.

But oh, nor let me plead in vain,
The impious deed forbear!
Ye waves, respect the holy fane,
And you, ye wild winds, spare!

But yet, if neither wind nor wave
Respect the tottering wall,
O son of commerce, haste and save
The sea-mark from its fall!

Lest, homeward bound, thy luckless crew
Attempt this dang'rous shore,
And all in vain with anxious view
The sister spires explore!

And thou, with fruitless grief, behold
Thy good ship 'dock'd in sand,'
And all thy stores of future gold
Bestrew the length'ning strand!

But oh, to winds untaught to hear
I pour the fruitless lay,
And waves regardless of my prayer,
And men more rude than they!

Ye sister spires, though (lasting shame!)
Your ruins strew the plain,
To blot the men'ry of your fame
Oblivion strives in vain!

For that, to latest times consign'd,
Shall live, shall flourish long,
Your fame in Keate's soft tale † enshrin'd,
And Stella's moral song ‡.

And aye, perhaps, if right I ween,
This little lay shall tell
To future times ye once have been:
So, Sisters, fare ye well!

* See the view of Herne Bay, with the spires as here described, in plate VI.

† See Keate's Sketches from Nature, 2 vols.

‡ Mrs. D's Verses, printed in p. 80.

For the following additional Account the Editor is obliged to
WILLIAM BOYS, Esq. of SANDWICH, F. S. A.

S I R,

Sandwich,
July 7, 1783.

THE remaining walls of Reculver castle skirt a hill of pit-sand, which is higher in every part than the ground without the walls. The earth has fallen, perhaps has been washed, away from the base of the hill, and the foundation of the wall is thereby exposed to view in many places, which corresponds exactly with that at Richborough, being laid on small smooth pebbles in the natural soil. The facing of the wall both within-side and without, as far as I can examine, is destroyed; except at the east end of the north wall, where it is perfect for a few yards in length, but not to a sufficient height from the base to comprehend a row of tiles; none of which are to be seen entire in the wall, though numberless fragments lie on the ground, which, most probably, were originally worked up in the facing of the wall, in rows, as at Richborough; where the first row of tiles appears about five feet from the foundation. Many pieces of tile are introduced, in the most irregular manner, into the masonry of the church, especially under the windows on the north side. The wall is no where more than ten feet high; and it is observable, that it never rises above the level of the ground within the castle. It must have been originally higher, and the upper parts have been thrown down, seemingly, on purpose to bring the remains to their present level. But then, what is become of the fragments? At Richborough, the fallen masses have withstood every effort of those who have been interested, for ages,

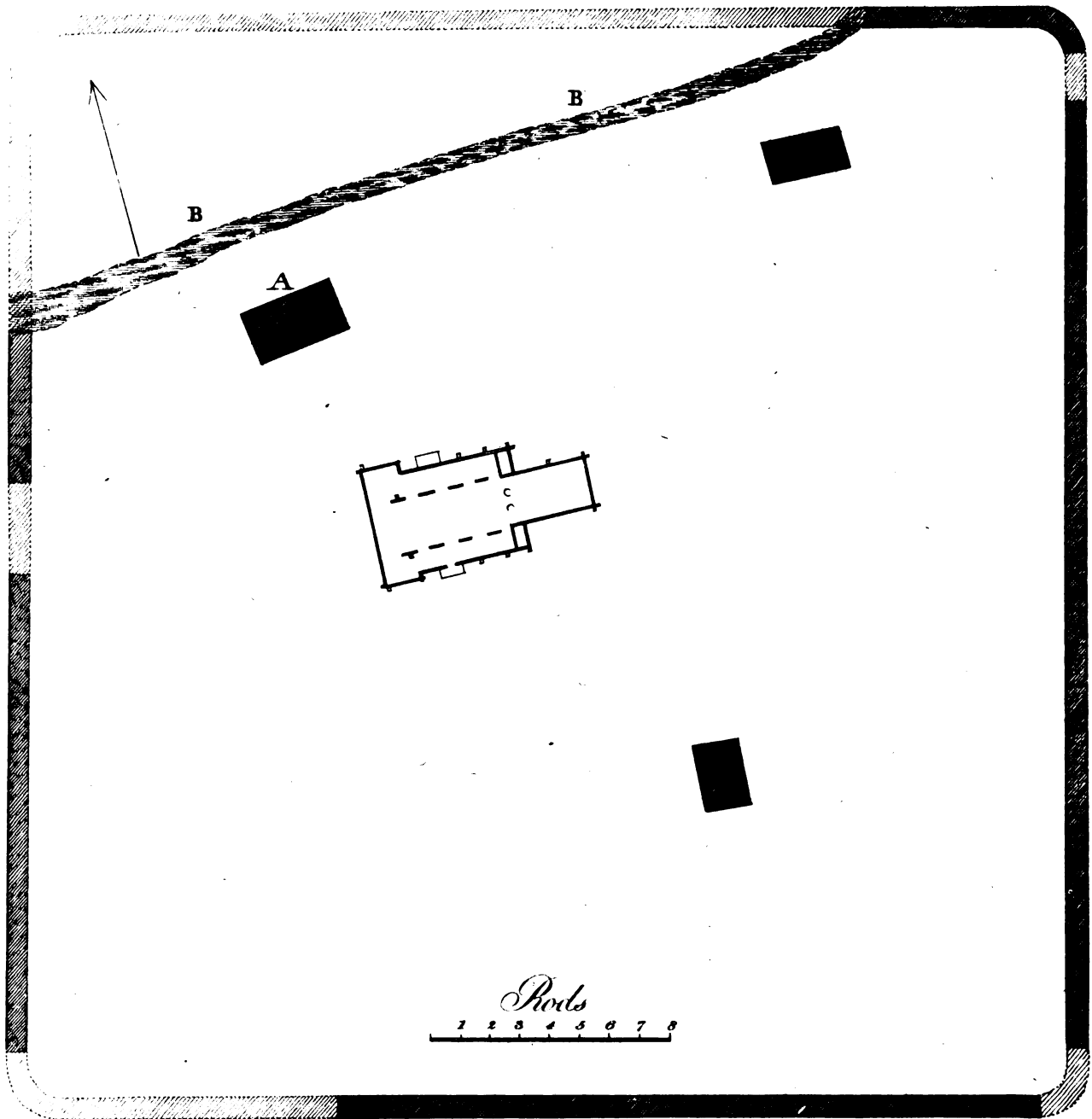
to remove or destroy them; nor has the weather operated with much effect upon their texture. On the other hand, the fragments that fall into the sea from the north wall of Reculver castle, by their alternate exposure every day to air and moisture, and by the action of the waves, are soon decomposed, and the detached materials are spread to a great distance over the surface of the shore. May we not infer from hence, that the sea has heretofore washed the foot of Reculver hill on the east, west, and south sides also, and that the fragments there have been dispersed by the same operations as take place now on the north side? And might not this encroachment of the sea, by alarming the monks who occupied the area of the castle, give rise to the embankments, which shut out the sea from the marshes, at the back of the castle? Upon measuring the large fragment that fell lately, I found it to be between eight and nine feet in thickness; so that, with its two facings, the wall must have been originally about eleven feet through, as at Richborough.

The fig-tree, *ficus carica*, appears among the bushes along the south wall; and the dwarf elder, *sambucus ebulus*, abounds there.

The shore before Reculver is nearly covered with large masses of sand-stone, which are collected and arranged under the direction of the commissioners of sewers, with a view to check the encroachments of the sea. But these, and all other expensive operations of the commissioners, though well designed and properly conducted, have been hitherto ineffectual to prevent its ravages, which now begin to be truly alarming. The house marked (A) in the plan * has been damaged by the sea, and taken down since the year 1781, when my survey was made; and the church will, most probably, soon be in the same predicament, if measures cannot be adopted to keep off the sea. In Leland's time, between 1530 and 1537, the village of Reculver stood † "withyn a quarter of a myle, or

* See plate IV. This house appears in plate I. † Leland's Itin. 3d ed. p. 139

"a little"



Plan of Reculver Church and Castle.

*The shaded part B B shews the direction of the Cliff in 1780.
The parts of the wall, shaded lightly, are either wholly destroyed, or concealed from view by the Soil.*

Fig 5.

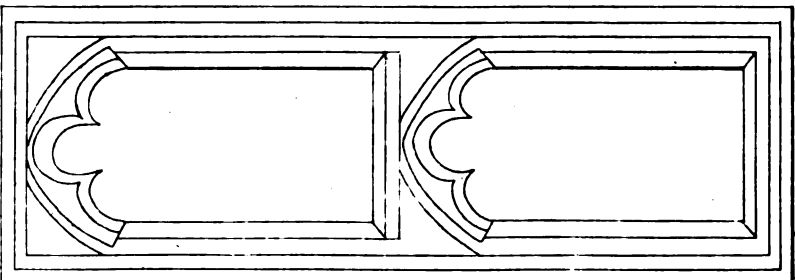


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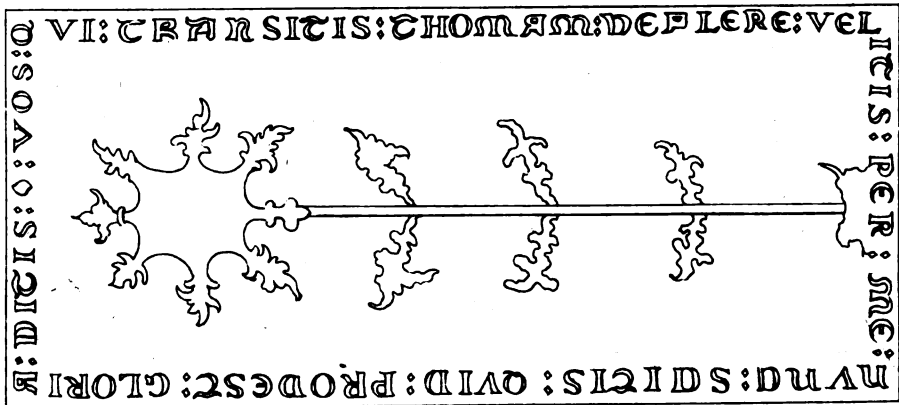


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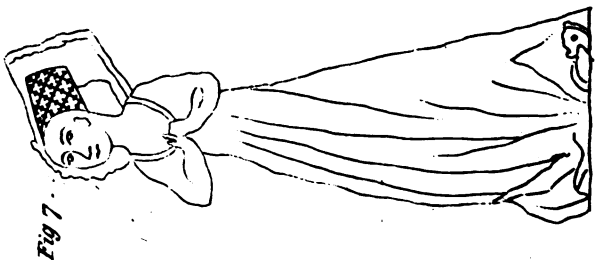
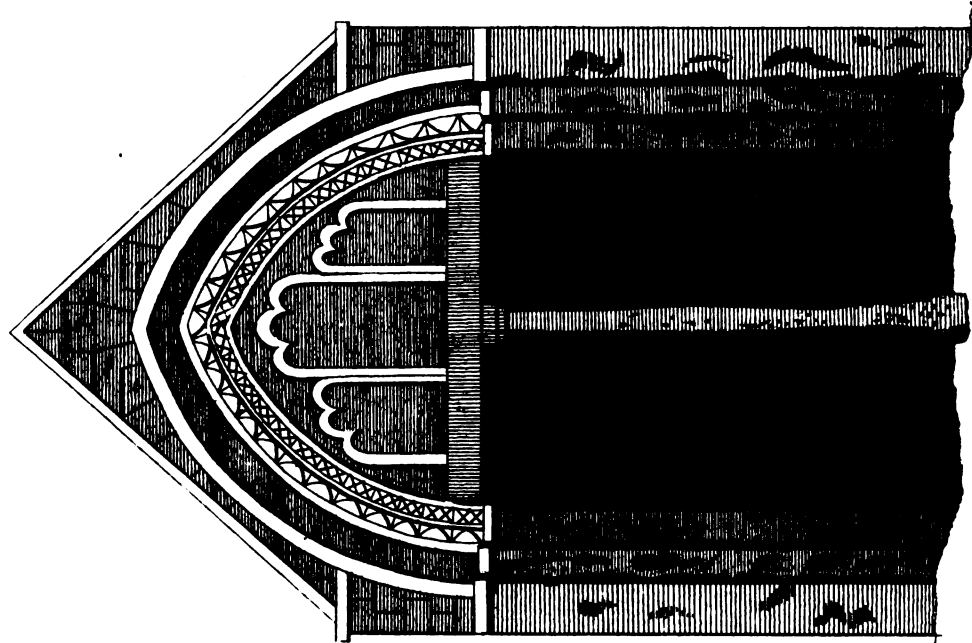


Fig 7.

Capital of a Square Pillar. Round Pillar.

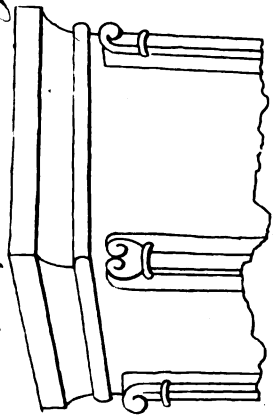


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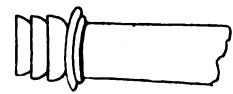


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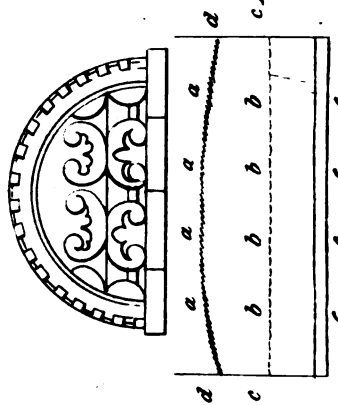


Fig 9.

Fig 8.



“ a litle more, of the fe fyde;” and Leland’s miles were none of the shortest.

The castle, when entire, occupied 8 acres, 1 rood, 1 pole of ground; and the area within the walls measured 7 acres, 2 roods, 26 poles.

The church does not appear to be a very ancient structure. It consists of a nave, two ailes, and a chancel. The arches in the body of the church are pointed, and their pillars square. The sides of the two westernmost pillars are 8 feet by 15 inches; of the rest 3 feet 10 inches by 1 foot 3 inches *. The passage from the nave into the chancel is under three circular arches, whose pillars are round, with capitals of a singular kind, as in fig. 2. The great western door is of Caen stone, much corroded and mouldering away. The arch is pointed and ornamented, as at fig. 3. The arch over the north door is circular, fig. 4. In the south wall of the chancel have been three double windows, as at fig. 5, two of which are bricked up.

In the chancel, on a gravestone, is the following inscription, fig. 6, cut in the stone round its verge :

Vos qui transitis, Thomam desere velitis :
Per me nunc scitis, quid prodest gloria ditis.

Which may be thus translated, without much disgrace to the elegance of the original :

All you that come near, upon Tom drop a tear :
From whom ’twill appear, that the rich are poor here.

Close by this stone is another with figures, on brass plates, of John Sandwey, esq; and Joan his wife, eight sons and seven daughters †. The arms, in brass, over the man, are three boars heads

* Figure 1. in plate V. is the capital of one of those square pillars.

† This epitaph is given in p. 73, and also in p. 89.

couped at the neck; over the woman, three rams heads couped. Her head-dress being somewhat remarkable, I have figured it at N^o 7. On a stone fixed in the north wall of the chancel is a shield carved and coloured, bearing Gules, femée of cross croquets and a Lion rampant, Or.

In one of the south windows painted on glass is Azure a Cross patée, Or, between four Martlets (the glass of the latter removed). In another window, Gules, three Lions passant, Or.

The external figure of the church is from actual admeasurement: the internal parts are mostly from memory.

W. B O Y S.

Fig. 8. in plate V. was found in a field near Reculver, sticking to the tine of a harrow; and is now communicated by John Thorpe, esq. F. S. A.

Fig. 9. is explained in pp. 77 and 90. The description and sketch, however, of Sir Thomas Page's works having been given from the plan only, before they were begun, their position is different to what is there apprehended. They are placed very near to the cliff, and not "much below high-water mark."

CAMDEN'S



J. Dawson del. 1770.
View of Herne Bay with Reculver Spires.



J. Dawson del. 1771.
Ruins of the Archbishopal Palace of Ford.

CAMDEN's account of this place may be thus translated:

“Proceeding along an open shore abounding with shell-fish and oysters and plenty of oyster-pits, we come to *Reculver*, called by the Saxons *Reaculꝛ*; but by the Romans and Britons *REGULBIUM*, as in the *Notitia*, which places here the Tribune of the first cohort of *Vetastii*, under the Count of the Saxon shore, by which name all this coast went at that time, and this its antiquity appears by the coins of Roman emperors dug up here. Ethelbert *, king of Kent, after he had given Canterbury to Austin the monk, built himself a palace here. Basso, a Saxon, embellished it with a monastery, from which Brightwald the eighth bishop of Canterbury was called to that see. Hence it was also named *Raculf-minster* from the monastery, when Edred, brother to Edmund the elder, gave it to the church of Canterbury. At present it is only a small country village, and owes all its consequence to that monastery, whose church spires are of use to mariners to avoid the shoals and sands in the Thames' mouth. For, as the author of the *Philippeis* † sings,

*Cernit oloriferum Tamisim sua Doridi amaræ
Flumina miscentem——*

It sees the swanny Thames unite its streams
With bitter Doris.”

* Cressy, p. 300, ascribes the monastery to this prince; but he only built a palace here. See Tanner, *Nct. Mon.* 207.

“Inter hæc conventus religiosorum multis in locis aguntur, cœnobia fabricantur, abbatix construuntur, apud *Raculfe*, quo in loco sibi rex Ethelbertus sedem regni præparaverat, cœnobium construitur, cujus abbas ultimus fuit Wenredus.” *MS. Corp. Christi Coll. Camb. Misc. G. p. 307, in Dugd. Mon. Angl. l. 26.*

† *Hadrian Junius. Holland.*

NOTES

NOTES taken at RECVLVER, September 9, 1782.

By the Rev. Sir JOHN CULLUM, Bart. F.R. & A.SS.

RECVLVER church stands on the highest part of the cliff, within a little of the sea, and at a distance is a striking object, from the two spires at its west end; but, upon a nearer view of it, one is much disappointed. As a specimen of beautiful architecture, for which it has been extolled, it deserves but little notice. Its west end, which from its style must have been built some time after the Conquest, seems never to have been very elaborate; and the mouldings of the door-case, where the chief work was bestowed, being of a soft stone, and greatly exposed to the weather, are much decayed. The rest of the masonry was never excellent, consisting of irregular stones intermixed with Roman bricks. The coins, however, are of squared stone.

The body of the church is about 60 feet long, the chancel 48; the latter has at the east end a handsome triplet of lancet windows, and four single ones of the same form on the north and south sides. It is separated from the church by three round arches supported by two lofty round pillars, with plain capitals. The floor of the church was formerly laid with terras, made of coarse stone and mortar; the surface quite smooth and even polished, being thinly encrusted with a red composition, as appears by some parts still entire that are not in the tread of feet. This floor is still of excessive hardness, the clerk being with difficulty able, even with a pickaxe, to get me a small piece of it as a specimen.

At

At the east end of the south aisle of the church is this inscription, on a newly-painted tablet of wood, copied (and I suppose with some faults) from an old one near it, almost effaced :

Here, as historiographers have said, &c. (as in p. 72.)

On a tablet of black marble in the south wall of the chancel is scratched (for it is scarcely more), in the neatest manner, the portrait of a man in a herald's furcoat, cloak, trunk-breeches, boots with the tops turned down, spurs, head with short hair and short beard, and a ruff about a foot high *. Beneath him is this inscription :

Here under quit from worldly miseries, &c. (as in p. 73.)

His arms are Or, a Cross engrailed party per pale Gules and Sable, in chief Gules a Lion passant guardant Or. The crest, an arm holding a sword wreathed with some plant. This with the pediment and some of the upper ornaments are tumble down, and lie in a corner of the chancel; and the rest will probably soon follow.

Under a man and woman with seven sons and one daughter, all of marble, kneeling, affixed to the south wall of the chancel, is this :

Here under waite, &c. (as in p. 72.)

On a slip of brass on a flat stone in the chancel, beneath two figures in brass, the woman with the immense head-dress of the time of Edward IV. (see plate V. fig. 6.) is this :

Hic jacet Johannes Sandewey armiger, et Johanna uxor ejus; quorum animabus propitiatur Deus. Amen.

Near the last is a stone † thus circumscribed in Saxon characters :

Vos : qui : transitis : Thomam : deslere : velitis :

Per : me : nunc : scitis : quid : prodeit : gloria : ditis.

* See plate II.

† See plate V. fig. 5.

P

The

The cliff is continually crumbling away (particularly in the winter time) and falling on the beach, where the children of the neighbourhood pick up several Roman coins. I was offered a handful of them, at no high price; but they were all so corroded that they were not worth purchasing. They were all small, some extremely so.

The crumbling away of the cliff on which the church stands is become so alarming, that I am informed this year (1783) some means are to be employed to stop the evil*. I am not willing to think that this edifice being a sea-mark is the only reason of this attention to its preservation †.

* See p. 77. and plate V. fig. 8. Sir Thomas Page proposes to construct much below high-water mark a breast-work of long fascines fixed together and strongly secured; each end to have a return up to the cliff, and, if necessary, two jettées also to be carried out farther into the sea. Over this breast-work, being in deep water, the waves will have much less power than when breaking on the shore, and it is hoped it will also collect the beach, and thereby receive additional strength, as has been the case at Sheerness. The present works, though very expensive, have been found insufficient, and being near the cliff, the waves, by dashing over them, form a back-water, which undermines and throws it down. D.

† Certainly not; the Trinity-house having totally disregarded it, and the commissioners of sewers, and the occupiers who pay scots, having no view nor interest but to secure the level, which must be overflowed when the hill is washed away. D.

APPENDIX.

A P P E N D I X.

Carta Eadredi R. de cœnobio Raculfensi cum omnibus ad id
pertinentibus ecclesiæ Cantuariensi concessis et collatis.

✠ **M**ULTIS itaque vitiorum prestigiis mentes humanas inceptor fraudulenter perjugulando deludit, nunc inquam promissis quasi prolixioris vitæ stadiis decipit, nunc rebus migrantibus pervicaciter quasi necessarius inlicit. Interea etiam stigia inferni supplicia tanquam levia et transitoria suggerit quatenus miserorum corda in cupiditate lasciviaque enerent * dissolvat secumque cabeata † ad tartara ducat. Sed sancti viri præfago spiritu bestiales precognoscentes insidias scuto bonæ voluntatis coronati quicquid in semet ipsis terrenum sentiunt indefinenter atque naviter operibus sanctis exauriunt, unde descoriatis coram Christo Ihesu meritis rutilantes simillima Titanii fulgoris luce præsententur. De quorum præconio tuba sanctæ scripturæ rebohans inter alia testimonia propensius intelligenda nostris hæc geminis auribus resultando profudit. “ Beati quorum vestimenta alba sunt in conspectu domini,” et alibi, “ justi fulgebunt sicut sol in regno patris eorum.” Hujus ergo dominici conspectus & pater in amore regni perfusus, unde nobis victus restat sine dubio certus, de victuque dominus dixit “ Beatus qui manducabit panem in regno Dei;” Ego Eadred rex divina gracia totius Albionis monarchus, et primicerius Christo regi meo in throno regni perennis perpetualiter subthronizato, et concessis mihi ab eodem labilium gazis rerum accepti tirocinii, quarto mei terrestri regni anno ad templum suum incomprehensibili dedicatum numini in urbe Dorobornia Odone archiepiscopo metropolitanam cathedram præsidente, et regni cælestis super arva Britannica claves præportante, monasterium Raculfense bis denis senisque estimatum cassatis interius exteriusque cum omnibus ad hoc rebus rite pertinentibus, sive litorum, sive camporum, agrorum, saltuumve, sicut inferius territoria promulgantur, humillime atque devotissime sincero corde in perpetuum jus quamdiu Christianitas vigeat pro meis abluendis excessibus indeterminabiliter impendo. Si quis autem, quod absit, tiranica fretus potestate, regalis, episcopalis, sive homo alicujus dignitatis, hoc decretum a Deo mihi conlatum infringere temptaverit, sive hujus donationis a præfata ecclesia vel passum pedis segregaverit, nisi prius hoc enorme scelus pœnitendo deterferit se sacrilegii culpam incurrisse et a domino Ihesu Xto in perpetuum sine ullo subtractionis refocillatu dampnaturum perferentiat.

* *Lege* inherentia.† *Sic.*

Hæc enim singrapha anno dominicæ incarnationis DCCCCXLIX orthodoxorum scripta est unanimes consensu, quorum inferius nomina literaria qualitate distingui videntur.

✠ Ego *Eadred* rex divina protegente gratia Albionis summam præsidens agiæ crucis hanc cartulam notamine perstrinxi.

Ego *Odo* archiepiscopus metropolitana præsidens gubernacione hoc donum regia concessum munificencia signo crucis fixi.

Ego *Wulfstan* archiepiscopus metropolitici honoris fastigio Eboracensis civitate suffultus huic largitati crucem ascripsi.

Ego *Ælfbean* episcopus Wintonensis ecclesiæ hoc donum signo crucis confirmavi.

Ego *Ætchelgar* Cridianensis ecclesiæ prætul hanc largitatem corroboravi.

Ego *Ælfric* episcopus hujus donationis constipulater signum crucis depinxi.

Ego *Wulfige* episcopus hujus largifui muneris domini signo salubri adnotavi.

Ego *Theodred* episcopus prodigam hanc impensionem patibuli confirmatu addidi.

Ego *Ælfred* episcopus hoc Deo instigante donum crucis Xti constipulatu munivi.

Ego *Birhtige* episcopus hujusce donationis corroboracionem contuli.

✠ Ego *Coenwald* episcopus consensum adhibui.

✠ Ego *Cynesige* episcopus unanimitatem præbui.

✠ Ego *Wishelm* episcopus promissionem profudi.

✠ Ego *Eadhelm* abbas devotus in hoc præstiti.

✠ Ego *Osulf* dux consensu et humiliter adliti.

✠ Ego *Eadmund* dux libens consilio aderam.

✠ Ego *Atbelstan* dux prompto animo consensi.

✠ Ego *Eadgifu* regis genitrix præfati animo hanc præfatam lætabundo in Xto largitionem ob optabilem remunerationem concessam signi corroboracione salutiferi humilime consignavi.

✠ Ego *Dunstanus* indignus abbas, rege Eadredo imperante, hanc domino meo hæreditariam cartulam discutando composui, et propriis digitorum articulis perscripsi.

✠ His inquam limitibus hæc telluris particula circumgirari videtur.

ƿrept on norð healfe ƿeðelƿeðer londe. ƿa ƿorð bejande oð Norðmvdan to Meapboce ðonne to ƿnepege, of ƿnepege to Eanƿlæðemuðan. of Eanƿlæðemuðan on Meap-ƿeoteƿmufan. Of Meap-ƿeoteƿmufan eƿ on Eanƿledmufan. ðonne on eapƿ healfe to mylenƿeoteƿemvþ; oð Svðtan of Svðtan andlang ƿroceƿ to hæðemæpinge, ðonne on Svðhealfe of hæðemæpinge to ƿocccvm. of ntocccvm andlong ƿtæte oð ƿce Agurtnes meapce. ƿrom ƿce Agurtnes meapce oð ƿroc. andlang ƿroceƿ oð ƿtanbryce ƿvð ƿrom ƿtanbryce oð ƿƿeang to Cnƿter cipican gemæpe. ƿrom Cnƿter cipican gemæpe oð ealban hæge on ƿeƿ healfe ealban hege to ƿeaxum. ðonne ƿeƿ ƿrom ƿeaxum to ceiban to Cingergemæpe. ƿrom Cing ƿgemæpe oð gata gehæge. ðonne ƿenþan ƿeoƿer ƿƿvng binnan ea ðaƿ londeƿ ƿe gebƿpeð into Raculfe. on Tenet eoƿer ƿƿvng onð an lƿ on ƿaƿvð gebƿpeð into Raculfe. ðonne ƿ ealley ƿaƿ lande xxv ƿƿvng ƿ an ƿƿvng on Geolƿƿingtune ƿvð be ƿealþa ƿæpe cipican to boƿe.

Hoc

Hoc est.

Primo, ab aquilone *Æthelferthi* terra; ita prorsum per arenam usque ad Northmutham^a ad [rivulum] *Meanbroc* [dictum]; inde ad priscam viam; a prisca via ad *Eanfledæ* ostium, ab *Eanfledæ* ostio ad *Mearcfeotam*^b; a *Mearcfeota* iterum ad *Eanfledæ* ostium, ab oriente vero ad molendinarii fluenti ostium usque ad *Suth-tunam*^c; a *Suthruna* per longitudinem rivuli ad *Hæthemæringam*^d; ab austro vero ab *Hæthemæringa* ad *Itipites*, a *Itipites* per longitudinem viæ adusque *Scti Augustini* limitem; a *Scti Augustini* limitem usque ad rivulum; per longitudinem rivuli usque ad pontem lapideum austrum [versus]; a ponte lapideo usque ad *Wife-lingam*^e, ad ecclesiæ *Xti* [Cantuariensis] limitem; ab ecclesiæ *Xti* limite usque ad veterem sepem; ab occidente veteris sepis ad *Feaxum*. Tunc occidentem versus a *Feaxum* ad *Celdan*, ad regis limitem; a regis limite adusque portæ sepem. Sunt autem quatuor carucatæ terræ intra aquam quæ pertinent ad *Raculfe*. In *Thaneto* quatuor carucatæ [terræ] et unum paucum in littore pertinent ad *Raculfe*. Sunt autem de tota terra illa xxv carucatæ et una carucata in *Coelulfingtuna*^f ex austro saltus ad ecclesiam reparandam [assignatæ].

^a Ostium fluminis aquilonare.
^d F. portum celebrem.

^b Limitaris fluenti ostium.
^e F. carculionum locum.

^c Australem villam.
^f Coelulfi villa.

A grant

A grant or demise of part of the demesnes of Reculver Monastery made by Archbishop Agelnoth to two of his ministers.

From Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury, Append. p. 424. 4to.

IN nomine domini nostri Jhu Xti ego Aegelnothus peccator, servus servorum Dei et minister ecclesiæ Xti, Anglorum quoque licet indignus archiepiscopus, notum volo esse omnibus nostræ mortalitatis successoribus quod quandem terram dominicam * Scæ Mariæ Raculfensis monasterii L. scilicet agros in præstariam annuo duobus ministris meis Alfwoldo et Aedredo ex consensu fratris nri Givebardi decani ejusdem ecclesiæ scæ matris Dei, ut illam terram habeant non longius quam ipsi placuerit decano, vel ejus successori. Quamdiu vero eam tenuerint singulis annis dent in ipso monasterio deo famulantibus ratam decimam frugum et omnium pecorum quæ in ipsa terra nutriunt, et pro censu L denarios, et de subjectis pascuis I pensam caseorum et si quid fracturæ contigerit. Ubi vero eidem fratri nro decano vel ejus successori visum fuerit ut illam terram possint fructificare dominicatu suo recedant ab ea absque querela et contradictione, quia dominica est Scæ Mariæ, nec eam sibi vel posteris ullo modo possint defendere. Quod si præsumperint et ipsi et fautores sui iram Dei et excommunicationem omnium Dei fidelium incurrant, & legem patriæ domino suo solvant. Hujus præstariæ traditionis testes sunt fratres ejusdem monasterii et quidam milites mei qui subter sunt ordinate descripti.

Ego Givehardus subscripsi.

Ego Fresnotus mon. subannotavi.

Ego Tancred mon. recognovi.

Ego Milo mon. assignavi.

Ego Siwad miles contestificavi.

Ego Godric miles testis fui.

Ego Wlfi miles.

Ego Wlfige miles.

Ego Radwine miles.

Ego Orduoth miles.

Ego Alfric miles hog'.

Ego Osfward miles.

Ego Aelfhelm miles.

Ego Lefsona miles.

Ego Aelfric miles quatin'.

* *Dedi or concessi omitted.*

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Ego

Ego Sibriht miles.

Ego Aelwine miles.

Ego Hæricus presbiter, iubente domino Agelnotho archiepiscopo, hanc cartulam conscripsi die nativitatis S̄ci Johannis Baptistæ.

Evidentiæ ecclesiæ Xti Cant. ex MS. in collegio C. C. Cant. dicto *Thoris*.

Inter Decem Scriptores, col. 2207.

A. ðnicæ inc. DCLXXIX. Ego Lotharius rex Cantuariorum pro remedio animæ meæ concedo terram in insula Thanatos in loco qui appellatur *Westanea* tibi, Birthwolde abba, tuoque monasterio cui nomen Raculfe, cum omnibus ad illam rite pertinentibus, campis, pascuis, mariscis. Adjeci adhuc eidem ecclesiæ tuæ terram XII mansionum in loco qui dicitur *Stureie*, liberam ut superiorem ab omni seculari servicio, exceptis istis tribus, expeditione, pontis et arcis constructione.

Ex eodem MS^o. Ib. col. 2211.

Anno ðnicæ incarnationis DCCXLVII. Ego Eadbertus rex Canciæ cum consensu optimatum meorum Bregowini archiepiscopi et cæterorum principum meorum concedo ecclesiæ quæ est apud Reculf et tibi, Deneah abba, tuæque familiæ pro salute animæ meæ vestigal et tributum unius navis in portu ac villa quæ dicitur *Fordewic* ad opus ut præfatus sum S̄cæ Mariæ quæ in jam nominata ecclesia Deo servit: simulque præcipio in nomine omnipotentis Dei præfectis, præpositis, actionariis, et omnibus fidelibus qui habent vel habituri sunt aliquam potestatem ut hæc mea donatio sit stabilis & firma imperpetuum.

Anno incarnati domini DCCLXXXIII. Ego Ealhmundus rex Cantix do tibi, Wetrede, honorabili abbati tuæque familiæ degenti in loco qui dicitur Raculf Cestre terram XII aratorum quæ dicitur *Schylðwic*, cum universis ad eam rite pertinentibus, liberam ab omni seculari servicio et ab omni regali tributo, exceptis expeditione, pontis et arcis constructione *.

Ex eod. MS^o. Ib. col. 2220.

Anno ðnicæ incarnationis DCCCCXLIX. Ego Eadredus rex, presente Odone archiepiscopo et Edina matre mea, dedi ecclesiæ Xti in Dorobernia monasterium Raculfense, cum tota villa et omnibus ad eam rite pertinentibus, liberam ab omni seculari servicio, exceptis expeditione, pontis et arcis constructione. Ego Dunstanus indignus abbas cartulam inde imperante domino meo rege composui, cartulam et propriis digitis perscripsi.

Ego Eardulfus rex Cantix tibi, venerabilis Eadberte abba, tuæque familiæ consistenti in loco qui dicitur Raculf concedo terram unius aratri in loco qui nominatur *Berhamstede*, cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus liberam ab omnibus secularibus serviciis †.

* See this also in Leland's Collect. II. 55.

† Ibid.

ABBOTS

ABBOTS OF RECULVER.

BERTHWALD, or BRITHWALD ^a, monk of Glastonbury, was elected archbishop of Canterbury July 1, 692, after two years vacancy of that see on the death of Theodore. Bede ^b says, he was well versed in scripture, and in ecclesiastical and monastic discipline, though not comparable to his predecessor in the see. He was equally inveterate against Wilfrid archbishop of York, till the pope pronounced him innocent of the charges brought against him, and obliged his adversaries to submit to his restoration. Having sat longer than any other archbishop of Canterbury, viz. near thirty eight years ^c, he died 9 Jan. 731, and was buried in St. Austin's monastery ^d. Lambarde ^e observes he was not the first, as Polydore saith, but the second man of all the Saxon nation that aspired to that dignity.

HEAHBERT ^f.

DENEAH, A. D. 747 ^g.

WETRED, A. D. 783 ^h.

HWITREDE ⁱ, A. D. 784.

EDBERT, A. D. 949 ^k.

^a Mat. West. *Breetwald*, Hoved. *Britwald*, Huntingd. *Brithwald*, Bröampton. *Brichtwald*, Diceto. *Bereebtwald*. *Bertwald* Bede. *Beretwald* Malsmb. *Brihtwald* Flor. Wig. *Berchtwald* Chron. Mailros et S. Crucis. *Brithwald* Mat. Par. *Bricwald* Birchington vit. archiep. Cantuar. Angl. Sac. I. 3. "Abbas in monasterio quod juxta ostium aquilonare fluvii *Tencloude* [*f. Tenet loude*] est positus in Reculfre." N.S. Trin. cited by Godwin.

^b V. 9.

^c 37 Gervas. Chron. Chron. Mailros 135. Huntingd. IV. 194. b. 17.

^d Godwin de præf. ed. Richardson 43.

^e Kent. p. 261.

^f MS. E. R. Mores.

^g Carta Eadberti regis.

^h Carta Ealhmundi regis.

ⁱ MS. E. R. Mores.

^{n.a.} be the same with the foregoing.

^k Carta Eardulfi regis.

HISTORY

HISTORY OF HERNE,

BY JOHN DUNCOMBE, M.A.

HERNE, or HEARN, is situated in the North part of Kent, six miles North of Canterbury, 12 West of Margate, and 14 East of Feverham, in the West division of the lath of St. Augustine, and East division of the county, in the upper half-hundred of Blengate, the deanery of Westbeer, and diocese of Canterbury.

This parish, which is bounded North by the German ocean, North-West by Swacliff, or Swalecliff, West by Whitstable, South and South-East by Chislet and Hoath, and North-East and East by Reculver, is in length from North to South about two miles, and in breadth from East to West about six miles. It is divided into five boroughs, viz. Hampton, Thornden, Stroud, Haw, and Beltinge, each of which has a borsholder subordinate to the constable of the upper half-hundred of Blengate, who is chosen at the court-leet two years from this parish, one from Reculver, one from Hoath, and one from Stourmouth. It is in the archbishop's manor of Reculver, whose steward holds a court-baron there every year.

It probably derives its name (as does also Herne-hill) from the number of herons that used to frequent these parts; and the family of Knowler, who have been settled in this parish some centuries, have that bird for their crest.

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Places

Places of note are, or were, 1. *Haw-House*, formerly belonging to the family of *Apuldrefeild*, a daughter of which carried it in marriage to Sir *John Fyneux*, in whom it continued till another daughter of the same carried it to Sir *John Smyth*, of *Ostehanger*, ancestor to the present viscount *Strangford*, from whose grand-father it descended to the Hon. Mr. *Roper*, of whose heirs it was purchased about 20 years ago by the late Rev. *Francis Hender Foote*, LL.B. whose eldest son, *John Foote*, esq. of *Charlton in Bishopsbourn*, is the present possessor. It seems to have been a large venerable mansion, but is now only a farm-house. 2. *Seas* or *At-Seas Court*, now called *Stroud-House*, which belonged to the family of *At-Sea* till the reign of queen Elizabeth, when it was sold to Mr. *Knowler*, in whose lineal descendant *Gilbert Knowler*, esq. it is now vested. It is a regular brick mansion*, with a pleasant garden and grounds adjacent, and is at present occupied by Isaac Bargrave, esq. of *Eaftry-Court*, one of the commissioners of bankruptcy, who has in his possession there some valuable original portraits remarkably well preserved, particularly those of his ancestor, Dr. Isaac Bargrave, dean of Canterbury, 1625—42, and his lady, a daughter of Sir Cholmondeley Dering, bart. by Cornelius Jansen, Sir Henry Wotton, and Father Paul, both painted in Italy, and collected by the dean, a small whole length of lord Wotton, &c. 3. *Underdown*, formerly the seat of *John Sea*, esq. as appears from his monument in the church, was rebuilt by the late Sir *George Oxenden*, bart. who purchased the estate, but is now only a farm-house, belonging to the present Sir *Henry*. 4. The rectorial house, formerly the mansion of the *Milles's* (afterwards mentioned), now much contracted, and occupied by the master of one of the hoys. The vicarage-house, an ancient building†. It has no glebe, but only an orchard and large garden.

* See a view of it, plate VIII.

† See a view of it, plate VII.

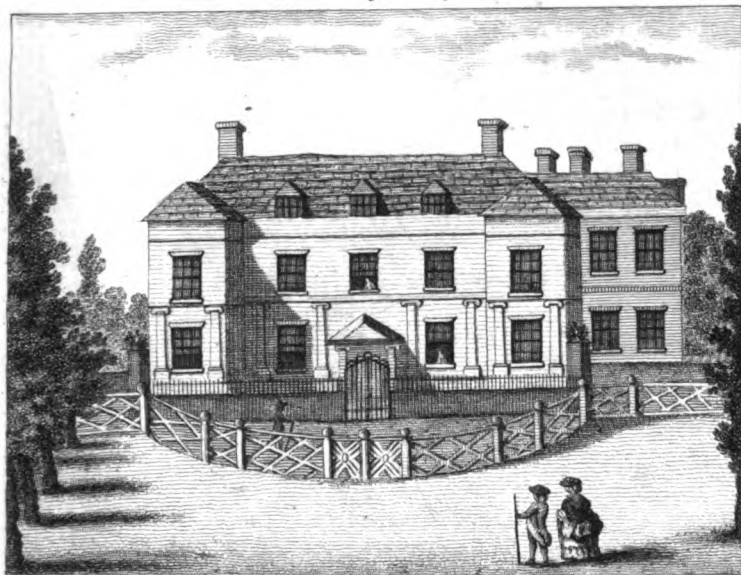
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Fig. 2. p. 105.



Fig. 3. p. 98.



S. Duncombe del. 1783.
View of Stroud House, in Herne the Seat of Gilbert Knowler Esq.
P. Gray sculp.

Fig. 4. p. 98.



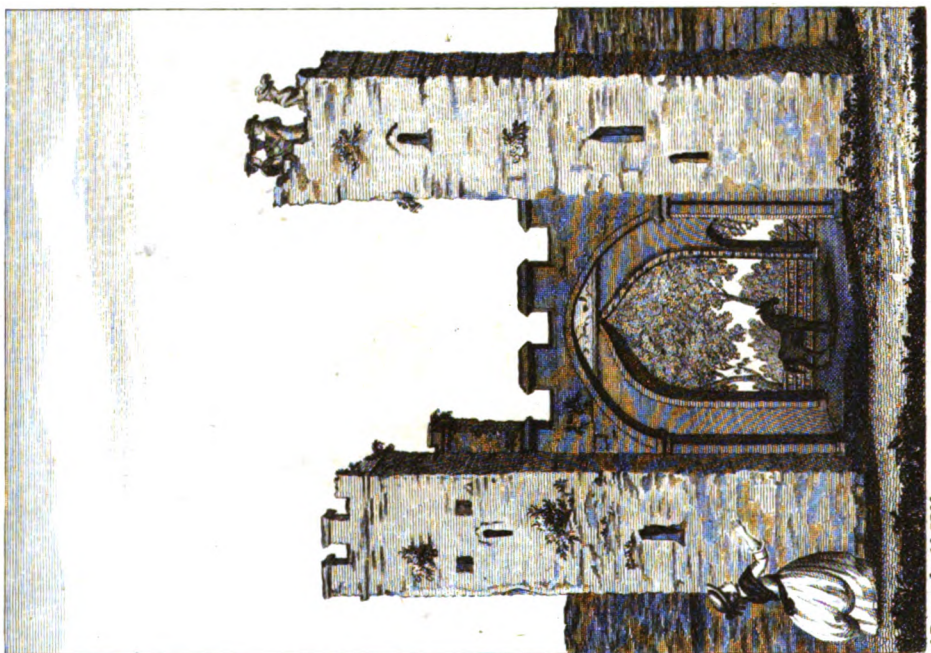
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Herne Vicarage House.



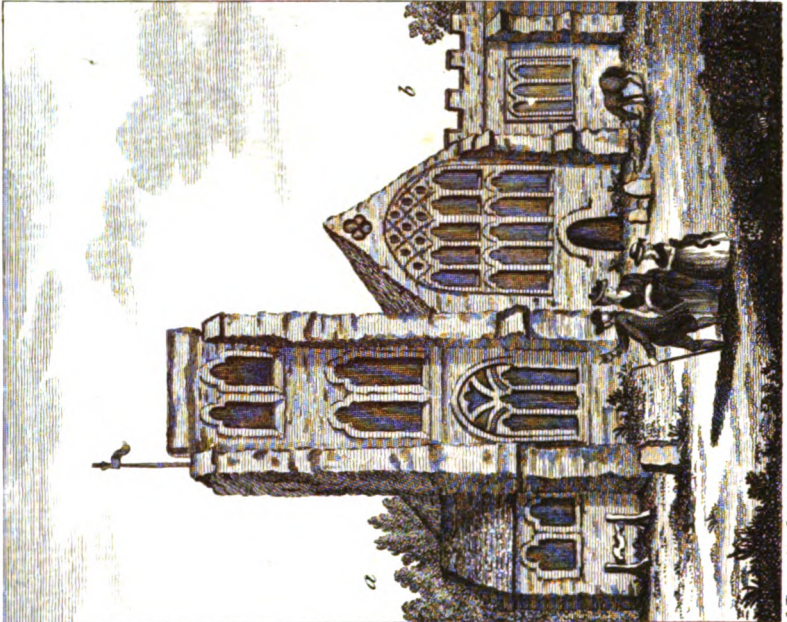
Fig. 2.



Fig. 1.



N. View of Dandilion Gateway taken from the House.



*West View of Horne Church.
a The Porch.
b The School.*

In the reign of Edward III. a market was obtained to be held there on a Monday, and a two days' fair, by the interest of the archbishop, on the feast of St. Martin, to whom the church is dedicated. It has now a fair on Easter Tuesday.

The parish-registers, which are well preserved, commence with November 1558, 1 Elizabeth. In the first 20 years were baptized 544, buried 651, married 162 couple. In the last 20 years, ending with 1782, were baptized 742, buried 507, married 149 couples. By this it should seem to be more healthy now than formerly.

Little so material as what follows occurs in the registers :

“ 1565. John Jarvys had two woemen children baptized at home joyned together in the belly, and havynge each the one of their armes lyng at one of their own shoulders, and in all other parts well proportioned children. Buryed Aug. 29.”

“ 1566. Stephanus Sawyer, vir piæ memoriæ, annos natus 92, Martii 30 vitâ suâ finiit, cum 30 annos continuos purâ Chrissi religione contra Romanam tyrannidem professus fuisset.”

“ 1567. Ould Arnold, a *crisomer*, buried February 8.”

This word, sometimes spelt *chrisomer*, often occurs afterwards for about a hundred years, but not since. Dr. Johnson defines *chrisom* (from *chrisom*) to be “ a child that dies within a month after its birth. So called (he says) from the *chrisom-cloath*, a cloath anointed with holy unguent, which the children anciently wore till they were christened.” *Chrisom* is applied in the Glossaries to the popish sacrament of Confirmation. *Ould Arnold* might therefore, in the first appearance of Protestantism in England, be first confirmed late in life, or perhaps on his conversion to Protestantism : as anciently persons who were recovered from any heresy, if not already confirmed, were *anointed with Chrisom*. Du Cange.

“ 1567. William Lawson, an infant, christend by the women, buried 21 Martii.”

This remnant of popery, it seems, then remained.

The church is a large ancient handsome structure, having a tower of flint and stone, containing six bells. It consists of a nave, two side aisles, and three chancels, of which the great chancel, repaired (as appears by the endowment in the Appendix) by the vicar, has six stalls for the ancient popish ministers of the church like a cathedral, and was formerly divided from the nave by an open carved screen of oak, as the two other chancels are still. The nave is in height 33 feet, in length 70 feet, the chancel 43; total 113. The north chancel is in breadth 23, nave 30, south chancel 16; total 69. The whole roof is leaded, and embattled, except that of the great and south chancels, which are tiled. The stone font is very ancient, with several escutcheons of arms; now plaistered over. The wooden frame still remains of a small organ, which, tradition says, was sold to Feverham; and two large tables of benefactions, hung up in 1777, shew that the annual donations to the church and poor amount to 15*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* in money, and 17*l.* 5*s.* in land. Total 32*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* The vicarage is rated in the king's books at 20*l.* 16*s.* and is worth about 150*l.* *per annum.*

A west view of the church is annexed, in plate VI.

By the endowment of the vicarage, taken from the register of archbishop Winchelsey, A. D. 1310 (which, by the favour of Dr. Ducarel, will appear in the Appendix), the vicars of Reculver, Herne, and St. Nicholas are entitled, among other things, to *omnes minutas decimas quæ ad altaragium* spectare*

* The word *altaragium* signifies all tithes, offerings, oblations, &c. becoming due to a minister by virtue of his office, or for officiating at the altar, and consequently has such a latitude as to comprehend every tithable matter not expressly mentioned in the endowment amongst the tithes appropriated. *Bateman on Agistment Tithes.*

dicuntur. The two latter are directed also to keep the great chancels in repair, or even to rebuild them if necessary *, and to pay annually, Herne 40s. and St. Nicholas four marks, and 10s. to the vicar of the mother-church.

Besides these payments, the church-wardens of each of those parishes pay also to those of Reculver five shillings annually, in consequence of a decree of archbishop Warham, exempting them, on that condition, from the repairs of the mother-church, to which before they still remained liable, as the chapelry of Hoath is still. On default of payment on a set day, the ancient obligation remains in force.

Extract from the last will and testament of Christopher Milles, esq; of Herne, bearing date May 28, 1638.

“ I will and bequeath to my children the poor of Herne 3*l.* of Reculver 4*l.* of Hoath 2*l.* of Westbeer† 1*l.* a year, in all 10*l.* to be paid the last day of August every year from year to year after my decease, which was the day of my birth; to continue as long as it shall please his grace and successors to continue the lease of the parsonage of Reculver, Hoath, and Herne, to any of my surname, that one after another shall succeed me in the said parsonage and tytheries; and therefore pray the vicars and ministers of Reculver, Hoath, and Herne, and parson of Westbeer, for the time being, and the chief of every parish it concerns, to be petitioners, as cause shall require, to his grace and successors for the poor in that behalf, as they tender the well-doing of their own children they shall leave here behind them, and would not the guilt of

* His grace surely exerted here a singular and unwarrantable stretch of authority; as otherwise these repairs by common-law would have belonged to the archbishop himself, or his tenant of the great tithes, whom he thus took upon him to exonerate. It is also remarkable that the present incumbent of Herne, contrary to the usual custom and practice, not only has a vicarage in which he repairs the chancel, but two rectories (in Canterbury) whose chancels he does not repair.

† Why Mr. Milles left this benefaction to Westbeer, which is not an appropriation, like the others, does not appear.

conscience

conscience they else shall hence carry with them for neglecting to gain the charity of the dead towards the living poor, so adopted my children."

The lease of the said parsonage still continues in the same family, being now held by Richard Milles, esq; of Nackington near Canterbury, and North Elmham in Norfolk, the lineal descendant of the above testator. Mr. Milles is interred under a flat marble in the great chancel, with the following inscription:

"In memory of Christopher Milles, esq. sometime clerk of queen Anne's robes, afterwards successively sworne of king James and king Charles's most honourable Privy Chamber. With whom is here interred Mary, his second wife, on his left side, and Edward, his eldest son, on his right.

Wee sleepe secure, as having lost but breath,
And gain'd the life which never suffereth death.

Edward died the 28th of February, 1627.

Mary the 3d of October, 1631.

Christopher the 13th of November, 1638.

In the same grave with Edward lyes buried Alicia, first wife of Christopher Milles, gent. who died March 21, anno 1664; and Sarah his second wife, who died January 29, 1675."

On the North side of the same chancel is a handsome marble monument surmounted by the crest and arms of the family. Below them another escutcheon, under a canopy held by two weeping cherubim, on each side a flaming pillar, and under them two other escutcheons, representing in all the four different bearings of Mr. Milles's four wives; and on the table beneath a Latin inscription to the memory of Christopher Milles, esq; (grandson of the former) who died January 22, 1706, aged 61, and of his four wives, viz. Alice, daughter of Robert Saunders of Maidstone, in Kent, gent. Sarah, of Samuel Disborow, of Elsworth, Cambridgeshire, esq; Margaret, of John Boys, of Betshanger in Kent, esq; and Elizabeth, of Cheney Colepepper, of Leeds-Castle in Kent, esq; by all whom he had children, but left only Samuel surviving by the second.

On

On the South side of the same chancel is a black and white marble pyramidal monument, on the base of which is a Latin epitaph on the abovementioned Samuel Milles, esq. steward of the temporal courts of the archbishop and dean and chapter of Canterbury, and of the monastery of St. Augustine's; and member of parliament for the neighbouring city in the reign of king George I*. He married Anne, sister of Sir Thomas Hales, bart. by whom he had six sons and six daughters, of whom Christopher the eldest erected this monument. He died Dec. 10, 1727, aged 70. Arms of Milles quartering Hales.

Against the East wall, on a white oval marble, in a frame of Siena, is an inscription to the memory of the Rev. Charles Milles, M. A. rector of Harbledown in Kent, and minister of Great and Little Walsingham in Norfolk (a younger son of the above Samuel), who died June 24, 1749, aged 42, and of two of his daughters, Catherine aged three years, and Anne aged 25, who are all buried in the family vault near that place. Above is an urn, with the letters A.M. under a weeping willow, and beneath the arms of Milles and Brooke, and Milles single in a lozenge. This monument was carved by Moore.

Under the brass figure of a warrior in armour and his wife,

*Hic jacet Petrus Hall, armig. & Elizabeth uxor ejus, filia Dom. Wilhelm. Maleys, militis, et Dom. Margarete uxoris (without date.)
Orate Dei, miserere mei.*

*Hic jacet Anto. Loberick, armig. et Constantia uxor ejus, qui obiit 10
Octob. 1511.*

*Hic jacet Wilhelmus Fineux, fil. & heres Johannis Fineux, militis, qui obiit
..... regis Henrici III.*

Sir John Fineux was one of the justices of the King's Bench to Henry VII. and a benefactor to the Austin Friars at Canterbury †.

* His grandson, the present Richard Milles, esq; represented this city also in the three first parliaments of the present reign.

† Appendix to Somner's Canterbury, N^o 22.

Others

Others of that name (Weever says) lie here entombed, but without any inscription to preserve their memory.

On a brass plate, however, near the communion-table, under the brass figure of a lady in the dress of the times, is an inscription in old characters to the memory of Elizabeth the wife of John Fyneux, esq. who died August 22, 1539.

And on another,

John Fyneux, late of Hearne, esq. and Margaret his wife, daughter of Thomas Horley, sometime of Glyne, in the county of Sussex, esq. She died * Dec. 9, 1591; and he July 31, 1592, leaving one only daughter, Elizabeth, who married John Smith, esq. son and heir of Thomas Smith, late of Ottenhanger, in Kent, esq.

On a flat stone,

“ To the memory of the Rev. William Rogers, B. A. vicar of Hearne, who died August 28, 1773, aged 52.”

Against the North wall of this chancel is an old marble monument, representing a warrior in armour kneeling on a cushion at a table, under a pediment supported by two Corinthian pillars. Above are the arms of *Thornhurst*, Ermine on a chief Gules, two leopards heads Argent; under a pediment supported by two pilasters; and over them hang the banners, and are placed the helmet, crest, &c. Below is the following inscription:

“ Here lieth buried the body of Sir William Thornhurst, knight, sonne and heire to Sir Stephen Thornhurst, of Foorde, in this countie, knight, which Sir William married Ann, daughter unto the Right Honourable Thomas lord Howard, viscount Howard of Bindon, and by her had issue one sonne, named Gifford Thornhurst, and two daughters, Frances and Grace. He dyed the 24th daye of July, 1606, and in the 31st year of his age.”

Under the North window of this chancel in the wall, with three escutcheons on it almost defaced by whitewash, is an old tomb without any memorial, probably of the founder of the church.

* This lady in the Register is buried the same day, December 9.

On

On a flat stone near the communion rails is a brass figure in a batchelor of divinity's gown (see plate VIII. fig. 2), with this inscription, in old characters:

Siste gradum, videas, corpus jacet, cccc, Johannis
Darley, qui multis fuit hic miratus in annis:
Ille pater morum fuit et flos philosophorum,
Qui via norina legis patriæ fuit anchora gregis,
Pagina sacra cui dedit inceptoris honorem.

Round the margin,

Hic jacet magister Johannes Darley, baccalaureus in sacra theologia, quondam
Vicarius * * * * [The rest illegible.]

In the South-East corner of the South chancel is a mural marble monument, with two kneeling figures, between them *Memo-ria Sacrum*, under an arch with a pediment supported by pillars, and the arms of *Knowler* in the cornice, and below is an epigraph on

Robert Knowler, gent. of Herne, who died May 1, 1635, aged 62, and Susan his wife, who died July 18, 1631, aged 57.

On several black marbles are respectively commemorated, in the same chancel,

Richard Knowler, M. A. of Pembroke college, Oxford, second son of the above Robert, who married Anne, daughter of Richard Sandwell, of Minster, in the Isle of Thanet, and died Feb. 20. 1659, aged 59, leaving four sons and three daughters:

Thomas Knowler, gent. and batchelor, fourth son of the same Robert, who died March 27, 1658, aged 39, and gave 10*l.* to buy a pulpit-cloth and a communion-cloth, 10*l.* to be distributed upon the day of his burial to the poor, 2*l.* per annum for ever to repair this isle, and 5*l.* per annum for ever to cloath the poor of this parish, out of his farm at Beltinge, in Hearne:

Elizabeth Knowler, second daughter of Richard, who died Nov. 29, 1724, aged 51:

Gilbert Knowler *, of Stroud, in Hearne, grandson of Richard, who died Feb. 16, 1729, aged 67. He married 1. Elizabeth, daughter of Elias Juxon, M. A. 2. Honywood, daughter of Vincent Denne, serjeant at law. 3. Susanna, daughter of Martin Lister, M. D.

* William Knowler, LL. D. of S. John's College, Cambridge, and rector of Boddington, Northamptonshire (who died in Dec. 1773, and of whom an account is given in the "Anecdotes of Mr. Bowyer," p. 448), was the third son of this gentleman.

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And

And on a mural monument of two Corinthian pillars of Sienna marble, supporting a pediment, is an inscription,

To the memory of Gilbert Knowler, esq. (eldest son of the last) who died Feb. 23, 1737, aged 45. and of Mary his wife, daughter of William Blandford, citizen of London, who died June 28, 1735, aged 43, leaving Gilbert * their son still surviving.

On a flat stone in this chancel is the following :

Here lies a piece of Christ, a star in dust,
A vein of gold, a China dish, which must
Be us'd in Heaven, when God shall feed the just. }
Approv'd by all, and lov'd so well,
Though young, like fruit that's ripe, he fell.

In the North chancel are several brass plates, figures, and inscriptions, well preserved ; in particular one with a figure in the dress of the times, and a gold chain, of lady Philip, wife of Sir Matthew Philip, lord mayor of the city of London in 1463 (see plate VIII. fig. 1.) son of Arnold Philip of Norwich, with this inscription :

Orate specialiter pro anima Domine Etine dudum uxoris Mathei Phelp, aurifabri, ac quondam maioris civitatis London', qui migrabit ab hac valle miserie 23^o die Maii A^o Dⁿⁱ millesimo CCC^o LXX^o; cujus an'ie propitiatur Deus. Amen.

Which Weever gives thus :

Hic jacet corpus Christiane dudum uxoris Mathei Philips aurifabri, ac maioris Londonensis, quæ obiit 1470; pro cujus animæ salute velitis Deum orare.

This lord-mayor was created a knight of the Bath at the coronation of Elizabeth, queen of Edward IV. together with Sir Ralph Joceline, and Sir Henry Weever; and after that, with other aldermen, was knighted in the field, anno 1471.

* The present Gilbert Knowler, esq. who married, in 1754, Barbara, daughter of William Pregrave, esq. surgeon, of Westminster. Having no issue, he has sold the reversion of this estate, after his life, to Samuel Whitbread, esq. M. P. for Bedford, and resides at Canterbury.

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The following account of bishop Ridley's connection with this parish is taken from Dr. Ridley's Life of that prelate.

“ Mr. Nicholas Ridley was collated by archbishop Cranmer to the vicarage of Herne, in East Kent, April 30, 1538, vacant by the death of John Warren. Here he was diligent to instruct his charge in the pure doctrines of the Gospel as far as they were yet discovered to him (not from the schoolmen and popish doctors) except in the point of Transubstantiation, from which error God had not yet delivered him. And the good fruits of his ministry were seen in the effects it had, particularly on the lady Fiennes [rather Fineux] whom he converted to the Gospel truths; which she afterwards testified by her future exemplary life and good works. And to enliven the devotion of his parishioners, he used to have the Te Deum read in his parish-church in English; which was afterwards urged in accusation against him.

“ For two years Mr. Ridley resided at his parish of Herne, getting new lights himself by a close application to his study of the holy Scriptures and the Fathers, by friendly conference with his patron the archbishop [who frequently resided in the neighbourhood at his palace of Ford*], and faithfully communicating to his people the word of God. And while he was at Herne, he so well discharged his pastoral office, that he gained the general applause of the people in the adjacent parishes, who, neglecting their own teachers, for many miles round would come to hear his sermons.

“ In 1543 Dr. Ridley [being then also master of Pembroke-hall, Cambridge, and a prebendary of Canterbury] was presented at the archbishop's visitation, for preaching at St. Stephen's against auricular confession, and for having Te Deum sung in English at Herne, where the said “ Master Doctor” was vicar.

*Of this palace a particular account may be seen in p. 112.

“ Dr. Ridley spent a great part of the year 1545 in retirement at Herne, and probably carrying with him an apology published by the Zuinglians for their exploding the doctrine of Transubstantiation, still in some degree maintained by Luther and his followers, gave the question a fair examination, and discovered its sophistry. In point of authority too his eyes were opened by a small treatise written about the year 840 by Ratramus, or Bertram, a monk of Cologne, at the request of the emperor Charles the Bald, which had been published at Cologne in 1532, and fully vindicated the doctrine from the charge of novelty. Dr. Ridley was no sooner convinced, than he strengthened his brethren, first convincing archbishop Cranmer, and in the following year, by Cranmer's means, old Latimer. And this was laying the axe to the root of popery.

“ In May 1547 Dr. Ridley was presented by the fellows of Pembroke-hall to the vicarage of Soham in Cambridgeshire, and in September following he was advanced to the see of Rochester, with which he held the vicarage of Herne in commendam, nor quitted it till he was translated to the see of London in 1550, when Thomas Brooke (one of the six preachers of Canterbury cathedral) succeeded him.”

In his last farewell, when under sentence of death, to all the places with which he had been any way connected, Herne is thus distinguished : “ From Cambridge I was called into Kent by the archbishop of Canterbury, Thomas Cranmer, that most reverend father and man of God, and of him by and by sent to be vicar of Herne in East Kent. Wherefore farewell, Herne, thou worshipful and wealthy parish, the first cure whereunto I was called to minister God's word. Thou hast heard of my mouth oft-times the word of God preached, not after the popish trade, but after Christ's Gospel : Oh that the fruit had answered to the seed ! And yet

yet I must acknowledge me to be thy debtor for the doctrine of the Lord's Supper, which at that time God had not revealed unto me: but I bless God in all that godly virtue and zeal of God's word, which the Lord by preaching of his word did kindle manifestly both in the heart and the life of that godly woman there my lady Fiennes*: the Lord grant that his word took like effect there in many more!"

Bishop Ridley was burnt at Oxford, with bishop Latimer, October 16, 1555.

Herne having a commodious bay and two sworn meters, several colliers frequent it from Sunderland, &c. and two hoys, of about 60 tons each, sail alternately every week with corn, flour, hops, &c. to London. The soil is clayey. Thirty-seven teams are kept in the parish. It has about 17 acres of hops; had lately double that number, and these are continually displanting. It also produces much canary, of which it sometimes has had 100 acres.

The parish raises to the land-tax, at 4s. in the pound, 342l. 16s. To the poor-rate, at 3s. 486l. 18s. Its annual rents, as rated to the latter, are 3179l. 10s. It appears by the endowment that Reculver, Herne, St. Nicholas, Hoath, and All Saints, contained in the year 1310 above 3000 souls; and these were continually increasing.

In queen Elizabeth's reign a beacon was fixed in this parish on the hill where stands the windmill, as appears by a chart of the beacons in Lambard's Perambulation, drawn by the direction of Sir William Brook, lord Cobham, lord lieutenant of the county.

* This lady I suppose to be the same who was buried in the great chancel in 1539. See p. 104.

EPITAPH

EPITAPH mentioned in p. 102.

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CHRISTOPHORI MILLES, armigeri;
qui, sexagesimum et alterum jam annum agens,
vicefimo fecundo Januarii, anno salutis 1700,
animi deliquio inter legendum correptus,
puncto temporis fato concessit:

aliis quidem (quorum in rebus adversis commodissimum se præbuit)
præmaturo:

sibi, ob vitam pulcherrimè actam,
fatis opportuno.

Erat fide, probitate, constantiâ, atque imprimis continentia singulari.
Justitiam, ut privatus semper, ita non minus in magistratu coluit.

Paterfamilias diligens, ac prudens;

ut sui non profusus, ita nec alieni appetens:

amicis beneficus, ac propter mores facillimos gratus omnibus,
suis egregiè charus.

Ingenio ingens, iudicio non minor,

quidquid usui erat comparaverat se magistro;

præcipuè rerum gerendarum prudentiam;

Sermo pro moribus, proque indole fuit;

lenis, promptus, expeditus, ante omnia comis, modestusque;

inerat cum gravitate lepos, sine dicacitate facundia,

recte præcepta verbis non invito, sed nec temere sequentibus.

Atque hæc vel solus, vel cum paucis habuit.

Sunt et alia communia, sed pro more memoranda tamen,

Uxores quatuor in matrimonium duxit,

Aliciam Roberti Sanders, de Maidstone in com' Cant. gent.

Sarah Samuelis Disbrowe, de Elsworth in com' Cantab. ar.

Margarettam Johannis Boys, de Bethanger in com' Cant. ar.

Elizabetham Cheney Colepepper, de Leeds Castle in com' Cant. * eq.)

} Filliam.

Cumque ex omnibus parens factus esset,

ex secundâ et tertiâ plures liberos suscepisset,

unum Samuelem ex secundâ superstitem reliquit;

qui hoc quale quale pietatis in optimum patrem monumentum posuit.

De primis duabus uxoribus loquitur marmor propinquum:

hoc ergo noluit defunctâ de tertiâ filere (quartâ superstite)

cui vir cordi, privigni ac sui in deliciis erant.

Virtus memoriam consecravit, et posteris exemplum. Ob. Dec. 10, 1679, æt. 31.

* In the English, therefore, p. 102, for 'Cheney Colepepper, esq.' read 'Sir Cheney Colepepper, knt.'

EPITAPH

EPITAPH mentioned in p. 103.

Posteris sacrum,
 et felici memoriæ SAMUELIS MILLES, armigeri;
 quem siluisse et illi et tibi, lector, fuerat injurium;
 pulcherrimum enim defuisset exemplar
 viri in omnibus tum civis, tum hominis, officiis probati
 qui scientiam juris, præcipuè municipalis,
 (et erat cum paucis scientissimus)
 ad sanctissimos usus accommodavit,
 inopiæ et innocentiae paratus semper advocatus.
 Cæteras laudes, quas angusta non capit tabula,
 tuam quam honestissime vitam instituendo,
 tu, lector, quovis melius epitaphio, supplebis.
 Dum rebus interfuit humanis,
 in curiis temporalibus dom' archiep' dec' et cap' Cantuar',
 et monasterii divi Augustini,
 cognitor præfedit;
 et à civitate vicinâ,
 regnante Georgio primo,
 ad parliamentum delegatus est.
 Uzorem duxit Annam, sororem dom' Thomæ Hales, baronetti,
 ex quâ sex filios et sex suscepit filias;
 quorum Christophorus natu maximus,
 pietatis et gratitudinis ergo,
 monumentum hoc optimè parenti dicavit.
 Ob. 10 Decembris, A. D. 1727, suæque ætatis 70.

F O R D

F O R D - H O U S E.

This palace, which lies partly in the adjoining parish, or borough, of Hoath, and partly in Chiflet, was the most ancient seat belonging to the see of Canterbury; being given to it by Ethelbert I. king of Kent, who, as has been said, resided in the latter part of his reign at Reculver: but it was demolished about the year 1658, and the bricks, timber, and other materials sold to any purchaser*. Archbishop Cranmer resided much at Ford. In particular we find him there in 1537, when the plague raged at Lambeth, and the Bible was first published in English. And king Henry VIII. in one of his excursions to the Continent, went in his barge to Gravesend, where he landed, and proceeded on horseback to Ford, where he lodged that night with the archbishop, and then continued his journey to Dover, where he embarked. Cranmer was there also in 1552, when he reviewed the Articles of Religion. And it is remarkable, that though he had had an ague that summer at Croydon, he removed to Ford in October; a low situation, and so unhealthy, that archbishop Parker would have pulled it down to repair and improve the palaces at Beaksbourn and Canterbury, but met with such delays in his suit to the queen for that purpose, as made him drop the design †.

In 1613, November 2, archbishop Abbot granted the office of keeper of Ford park to Sir Peter Manwood, knt. ‡; and it was confirmed to him by the dean and chapter of Canterbury ||.

* Harris's Hist. of Kent, p. 157.

† Ibid.

‡ Chartæ Miscellanæ, in the MS. Library at Lambeth, vol. I. N^o 34.

|| Ibid. N^o 33.

In 1620, Dec. 8, the same archbishop granted the custody of the manor and palace of Ford to Sir Thomas Perryn, knt.*; in 1625, July 15, to William Ayfone†; in 1628, April 12, to Sir Matthew Mennes, knt. ‡; to whom it was again granted August 21, 1632 ||; and in 1634, June 4, to Nicholas Robinson §.

In 1627, on archbishop Abbot's refusing to license a sermon preached by Dr. Sibthorpe at Northampton affizes, in justification of a loan which the king (Charles I.) had demanded, he was ordered by his majesty (July 5) to withdraw to Canterbury; which the archbishop declined, because he had at that time a law-suit with that city, and desired he might rather have leave to go to his house at Ford, which was granted; and on the 9th of October a commission was given to five bishops to exercise the archiepiscopal authority. But about Christmas his grace was sent for, and restored to his power **.

An exemplification of all the archbishop of Canterbury's privileges, estates, and manors (granted to archbishop Sheldon by king Charles II. October 31, in the 10th year of his reign ††) is preserved in the MS. Library at Lambeth; with an exemplification of a decree concerning the perpetual freeing of the fee of Canterbury from rebuilding Canterbury Palace, Ford House, and Beakesbourn, 19 Charles II ††.

I know of no view of this palace now in being. From the ruins of walls and the foundations that remain (see plate VI.) little can be collected, but that the buildings were extensive. The archiepiscopal records at Lambeth have, however, supplied the following description from the Parliamentary Survey of 1647.

“ The gate-house, or lodge, usually the housekeeper's, of four
“ ground-rooms and three above, and two bays of outhousing,

* Chartæ Miscellanæ, in the MS. Library at Lambeth, vol. I. N^o 31.

† Ibid. N^o 26.

‡ Ibid. N^o 44.

|| Ibid. N^o 32.

§ Ibid. N^o 37.

** Rushworth's Collections, vol. I.

†† Chartæ Miscellanæ, vol. XIII. N^o 2.

‡‡ Ibid. N^o 1.

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“ all built with brick, a small orchard and garden, with a dove-
 “ house, timber-built, covered with tile; in the whole, eight
 “ acres broad, with the park unfenced with deer, containing
 “ 166 acres of gravelly and sandy land; l. s. d.

“ Value *per annum*, - - - - 43 10 0

“ Broomfield, in the parish of Herne, at 4s. per }
 “ acre *per annum*, - - - - } 0 16 0

44 6 0

“ Rent reserved to the archbishop, - - - 20 0 0

“ Neat value, - - - - - 24 6 0

“ Timber and pollards, about 300, valued at 90 l.

“ All the materials of all the buildings worth, to be sold,
 “ 820 l.

“ The premises are within seven miles of Canterbury, and
 “ three from the sea.

“ The keeper of the house, ponds, and gardens, the park and
 “ the woods, in the lordship of Herne and Reculver, had a patent
 “ for three lives, with all pannage and herbage for six cows and
 “ four horses or geldings; the gate-house, or lodge, with dove-
 “ houses, &c.; 2d. *per diem*; and four cart-loads of wood out of the
 “ said woods, and a livery with the gentlemen; and a clause of
 “ distress for the 2d. per day of the herbage and pannage upon
 “ the manors of Herne and Reculver, or Chifflet, except the young
 “ pigeons of the dove-house when the archbishop resides at Can-
 “ terbury, or within twelve miles of it.

“ Belonging to the said manor are two free commons lying in
 “ the parish of Herne, one called Hunter-street*, and the other
 “ Belting-green †, which are for the lord's tenants and any travel-
 “ lers and drivers to rest their cattle, containing in the whole se-
 “ ven acres.

* Now Hunter's-borstal.

† The present name.

“ There

“ There are two fairs; one at Reculver at Lady-day, and the
 “ other at Herne on the Friday before Easter yearly; and all
 “ worth *2d. per annum* each.

“ Issuing out of the said manor a yearly pension of *2l.* to the
 “ vicar of Reculver *; and an acre of land, parcel of the manor ad-
 “ joining to Lord's mead, worth *per annum 10l.*”

It appears by the register-book of Reculver that the archbishop had a chapel there; “ Francis, sonne of Sir Thomas Perryn, knight,” being baptized in it “ September 28, 1620†.” Though why he should be registered in Reculver rather than in Hoath, in which the palace stood, I know not. Some of the walls have flues in them, the use of which cannot be ascertained. Part of the old gateway still remains. There seem also to have been fish-ponds, a vineyard, and a park; which latter retains the name. And tradition says, that a turning in the Reculver road leading to Chislet is called *Oxenden's corner*, from some of that family in ancient times there making depredations on the archbishop's game, and having frays with his keepers.

* ee p. 128.

† See p. 113.

D A U N D E L I O N,

A fashionable place of resort in the parish of St. John the Baptist in Thanet, was once the seat of a family in elder times called *Dent de Lyon** (lion's tooth), as appears by ancient deeds *temp.* Edw. I. About the reign of Henry IV. the name was changed to *Dandelion*, *Daundelyoun*, or *Daundeleon*; i. e. they wrote their name as it was pronounced or spoken, not as it was originally spelt. In that prince's reign this estate belonged to *John Dandelion*, as appears by several deeds of that age. He had issue *John Dandelion*, or *Daundelyon* (whose heiress about the beginning of the reign of Edward IV. married to —— *Petit*, of Shalmesford, near Chartham), and lies buried in the North chancel of St. John the Baptist's church, Margate, with his portraiture in brass, and this inscription :

Hic jacet Johannes Daundelyon, gentilman, qui obiit in die Intencionis Sancte Crucis, anno ab incarnatione Domini nostri Jesu Christi millesimo cccc^{to} lvi; cujus anime propicietur Deus.

From this alliance the ancient seat descended at last to Captain Henry Petit, who died Feb. 23, 1661, being then 30 years old, and by his two wives having had ten children, of whom five sons survived him. His epitaph, and those of several of the name, may be seen in Lewis's History of the Isle of Thanet, Col. p. 86—88.

It seems as if this seat was anciently walled round very strongly, according to the fashion of the age, for a defence against bows and arrows. Part of this wall is still standing with the gate-house†, built with bricks and flints in rows, with loop-holes and battlements at top. Over the gate are the arms of *Daundelyoun* (as in plate VII. fig. 2.) *viz.* Sable, three Lions rampant, between two bars dancette Argent. On the right hand of this gate is a smaller one for common use, at the right corner of which is a blank es-

* Philipot's Villare, p. 386.

† See a North view of it in plate VII.
cutcheon.

cutcheon, and at the left corner a demy lion, with a label out of his mouth, out of which is written *Daundelyon*, as represented in fig. 3. Under the right side of it, as you go out of the gate from the place, was found in 1703 a room large enough to hold eight or ten men, in which were a great many pieces of lachrymatories of earth and glafs. Under the other side of it is a well-prison. Over this gate-house, betwixt the towers, has been erected a building of pannel-work for a pigeon-house. In the window of the mansion-house are the arms of *Daundeleon* quartered with those of the *Petits*, as represented in fig. 1*.

The farm now belongs to Mr. *Bowers*; and the spot being very picturesque, having a pleasant grove adjoining (a singularity in Thanet), and a bowling-green skirted with trees and flowers, open to the sea, is now become a kind of public place, as his son-in-law, Mr. Thomas Staines, allures to it two mornings at least in every week, during the season, the principal company of Margate and Ramsgate, by adding to its natural beauties a band of music from London, and every accommodation for breakfast and dinner, heightened by a courteous and obliging behaviour. The South view of this gateway, which has more work in it, particularly several layers of cut flints, is in Lewis, and has been frequently taken. The North view was also very neatly drawn, and presented to the proprietor, in 1782, by George Cumberland, esq. of London.

* Lewis's History of the Isle of Thanet, p. 149, 150.

COLLECTIONS relating to RECULVER and HERNE;

Extracted from the Records, Registers, &c. at Lambeth;

Communicated to the Editor by Dr. DUCAREL.

A. D. BY a deed executed during the pontificate of Richard arch-
 circa bishop of Canterbury*, a pension of twenty pounds a year was
 1180. settled on the Hospitals of St. Nicholas at Harbledown, and St. John's, Northgate, to be paid out of the church of Reculver, by the consent of Hugh the rector, in addition to the yearly sum of 140 pounds before granted by archbishop Lanfranc, the founder of those hospitals, out of his manors of Raculfe and Boctun †.

1284. In 1284, on a complaint from the parishioners of the chapelry of All Saints, the vicar of Reculver was directed, by archbishop Peckham, by a deed dated at Aldyngton, v kal. May, to provide a resident priest to officiate in that chapel. It was at the same time decreed that the chapels of All Saints and St. Nicholas should be kept in repair at the joint expence of the whole parish †.

1290. By a charter of king Edward the First, dated Dec. 18, in the 19th year of his reign, and reciting letters patent of archbishop Peckham, dated at Otteford, non. Julii 1290, it appears that archbishop Kilwarby had appropriated the great tithes of Reculver to the hospitals abovementioned, by way of exchange for the sums before that time paid to them by preceding archbishops.

* Who had formerly been prior of Dover, and enjoyed the primacy from 1171 (according to some writers) to Feb. 16, 1183; or, as others say, to Feb. 17, 1184. See Le Neve.

† This curious deed is printed in p. 129.

‡ See this decree in p. 130.

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This appropriation being found inconvenient to all parties, the church of Reculver was, by the charter abovementioned, restored to the see of Canterbury in 1291*.

In 1296, occurs a decree of archbishop Winchelsea, dated at Reculver, 3 id. April, concerning the oblations and alms in a certain chest near the great stone cross between the church and chancel at Reculver †.

A. D.
1296.

In the same year the archbishop's mandate was issued to the commissary of the church of Reculver, directing what punishment should be inflicted on persons convicted of adultery, fornication, witchcraft, and other offences ‡.

1296.

In 1297, an inquisition occurs concerning the bounds of the parishes of St. Nicholas and All Saints, in the isle of Thanet, and the mother church of Reculver §.

1297.

In the same register is a decree about the way or path belonging or leading to the chapel of All Saints, in Thanet §.

In 1299, 8 id. March, John de Langton, canon of Lincoln, who had intruded himself into the rectory of Reculver, was removed by archbishop Winchelsea**.

1299.

In 1310, the vicarage of Reculver was endowed; and also the vicarages of St. Nicholas (with All Saints chapel) and Herne ††. An exemplification of this endowment, dated April 9, 1481 ††, and another, June 17, 1598***, occurs in the archiepiscopal registers. Archbishop Secker also gave an exemplification of it to the late Mr. Rogers, which Mr. Duncombe now has.

1310.

* See this decree in p. 131.

† See this decree in p. 133.

‡ See this order in p. 134.

§ Inquisitio super finibus parochiar' Scti Nicholai et Omnium Sanctorum capell' Insulæ de Taneto, et matrice eccl' de Reculver dependentium. Dat. 2 id. Mart. 1297. Reg. Winchelsea, fol. 240. a.

§ Ordinatio strate pertinentis ad capellam Omnium Sanctorum in Thaneto. Ibid. fol. 193. a. ** Reg. Winchelsea, p. 274. b. †† See this instrument, p. 135.

‡† Exemplificatio ordinationis dictarum trium vicar' per Johannem Parmentar, commissar' general'. Dat. 9 April. 1481. Reg. Bouchier, fol. 100, b.

*** Alia exemplificatio dictæ ordinationis per Joñem Whitgift, Cant' archiep'. Dat. 17 Junii, A.D. 1598. Reg. Whitgift, pars III. fol. 93. a. b.

- A. D. 1313. On the 17th of February 1313, archbishop Reynolds obtained from Edward II. the grant of a market *, to be holden every Thursday throughout the year, at his manor of *Reicokvret*.
1314. In 1314, 12 kal. Julii, Nicholas de Tyngewyck obtained a dispensation from archbishop Reynolds for holding the rectory of Reculver, together with that of Caleshull in the diocese of Sarum †.
1315. In 1315, a decree of archbishop Reynolds occurs, concerning some tithes in the parish of Stourmouth belonging to the rector of Reculver ‖.
1325. In 1325, 5 id. Dec. the same archbishop gave full power to Nicholas de Tyngewyck to hear and determine all complaints and offences that came within the archiepiscopal jurisdiction at Reculver and its dependent chapels §.
1332. In 1332, Richard atte Broke granted to Henry de Suthreye and Christian his wife one acre of land in the parish of Herne and burgh of Thorndenne **; and in the following year John the son of Walter atte Broke renounced claim to half the said acre ††.
1334. In 1334, archbishop Stratford, by an order dated at Cherrynges, 10 kal. Nov. decided a dispute which had arisen between the vicars of Reculver and Herne, on the right of burying the archbishop's tenants in capite, by directing that they should in future be buried in the cemetery of the mother-church ††.
1335. In 1335, the same archbishop, on a complaint that the parishioners of Herne had refused to bear their proportion of the repairs of the mother-church, enjoined, by a decree dated at Lam-

* Two mistakes may hence be corrected above, in the notes on p. 73. The error was originally occasioned by Philipot's mistaking the name of the archbishop, which was *Walter*, not *William*. He was right in the name of the king, Edw. II.

† This charter may be seen at large in p. 138.

‡ See p. 139.

‖ *Walteri Reynold, Cant' archiep', ordinatio super quibusdam decimis in parochia de Stourmouth, ad rectorem de Reculver pertinen'*. Dat. apud Lambeth, 14 kal. April. 1315. *Chartæ Miscellanæ, inter MSS. Lambeth, vol. VI. N^o 66.*

§ See this commission in p. 140.

** *Herbaldown Private Deeds, N^o 77.* †† *Ibid. N^o 78.* †† See p. 145. beth

both on the ides of March, that they should in future be punctual in their compliance, on pain of excommunication*. This was followed by a similar decree, Lambeth, March 15, 1335†.

In 1336, archbishop Stratford obtained a grant ‡ for a market and fair at his manor of St. Nicholas, in the isle of Thanet; the market to be holden every Monday, and the fair on the morrow of the Nativity of Saint Mary (Sept. 9.) and the following day. In the same deed is contained also a grant of a market and fair at the archbishop's manor of Gyllingham in Kent, the market to be on Thursdays, and the fair on the day of the Invention of the Holy Cross, and seven following days.

In 1338, Walter Bayli granted to Henry, son of Richard de Sutherye and his wife, two acres in Thorndenne borough ||.

In 1345, a grant occurs from James Bate to Nicholas de Underdoun, of one acre and two roods at Gateheye, in Herne §.

In 1347-8, on the 16th of March, a licence was granted to archbishop Stratford ** (who died in the course of that year) for appropriating the church of Reculver to the archbishop's table; and for payment of 160*l.* a year out of the revenues of the see of Canterbury to the hospitals of Harbledown and Northgate, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain, &c.

In 1348, king Edward III. confirmed to the above hospitals their annual payment of 140*l.* in case of a vacancy in the see of Canterbury; and also the payment of a penny a day from the archbishop's manor of Limenge††.

In 1356, Oct. 18, an assignment was made from Thomas de Wiltone to Philip de Northwode of all his lands and tenements at Henneford, in Herne, paying 40*s.* to the hospital of Northgate, and 20*s.* to Harbledown hospital ††.

* See p. 145.

† See p. 146.

‡ See the charter in p. 140.

|| Harbledown Private Deeds, N^o 79. § Ibid. N^o 80. ** See p. 141.

†† Harbledown Charters, N^o 18. The manor of *Leminge* was holden by the archbishop of Canterbury in demesne at the making of Domesday Book.

‡‡ In 1400 Thomas Sprynget demised his manor of Henneford to John Barry; and in 1411 released to James Twitham all claims in that manor; and in ten acres, six of them at Hare's in Childe, two at William's at Halkes, and two at Stateslonde; all purchased of Philip Northwode. Northgate Private Deeds, N^o 147, &c.

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In

- A. D. In 1357, Ifolda, widow of Henry de Frokyngove, granted to
 1357. John Sewale two pieces of land at Frokyngove in Herne, contain-
 ing two acres *.
1359. In 1359, John Sewale of Herne granted to Ifolda Southerye one
 verst in Herne †; and Gedeline, the wife of John Sewale, renounced
 claim to the said land ‡. Thomas Sewale made a like quit claim §.
 In the same year, John Sewale granted two shillings a year to
 Harbledown hospital, out of the same land §.
1361. In 1361, a grant of John Arynburg, senior, and others, con-
 cerning one quarter of barley issuing out of a grange, one stable,
 and 12 acres of land, at Westbrooke. Dated at Herne, 5 Sept.
 35 Edw. III. **.
1364. In 1364, Salamon Butt granted to William atte Welle and others
 three acres of land in Reculver, April 18, 38 Edw. III. which
 were the same day re-conveyed to feoffees ††; who settled them
 again on Salamon Butt, June 12, for the yearly rent of "one seam
 " of barley," *unius summe ordeii* ††.
1368. In 1368, a commission of penance was given to the vicar of
 Reculver, like that recited from archbishop Winchelsey's register,
 p. 134; but to remain in force for one year only ||||.
1379. In 1379, Nov. 1, Thomas Bargrave and others demised to Ri-
 chard and John Lucas one acre in Herne, for their natural lives §§.
1389. In 1389, an exemplification was made of certain deeds relating
 to the church of Reculver ***.
1395. In 1395, Robert Baker renewed the grant of a quarter of bar-
 ley †††, which in 1399 was released by Dionysius atte Stone †††; and in 1401 was again granted by J. Prowde and J. Chirche |||||.

* Harbledown Private Deeds, N^o 81. † Ibid. N^o 82. ‡ Ibid. N^o 83.

|| Ibid. N^o 84. § Ibid. N^o 85. ** Ibid. N^o 86.

†† See p. 143. ††† See p. 143.

|||| Item facta fuit commissio pœnitentiari' vicar' de Recolve pro parochianis suis, dat' apud Heggeston, non' Marcii, 1368, per ann' tantummodo duratur'. Reg. Wit-
 tlesey, fol. 4. b. §§ Northgate Hospital Private Deeds, p. 146.

*** See this exemplification at large, p. 142.

††† Harbledown Private Deeds, N^o 87. ††† Ibid. ||||| Ibid. N^o 88.

In 1415, June 15, Henry Gate was collated to the Hermitage A. D. of Reculver *. 1415.

In 1445, archbishop Stafford granted to his faithful servant John Pawlyn six acres of land in Billing †. 1445.

In 1452, Oct. 29, Matthew Phelip, alderman of London ‡, 1452. assigned to Henry Harder six acres near the rectory at Herne, for the use of Northgate hospital §.

In 1461, Hugh Cherlton, clerk, and William atte See, 1461. gave to the two hospitals one acre in Herne, called Goldland, late Robert Byfmer's §.

In 1466, Oct. 14, a lease was granted from the hospital of 1466 Northgate to Robert Hunt, of Hothe, in Reculver, of two acres and three roods, called Brotherynlond, for ten years; rent 3 s. 4 d. **

In 1477, William Taylore, otherwise Paramour, and others, 1477. granted to Richard Dererd two acres of land in Thornden borough in Herne ††; which Dererd afterwards granted to Harbledown hospital ‡‡.

In 1492, a grant of James Chirche to Harbledown hospital of 1492. sixteen pence a year at Le Platts in the burgh of Strode, and parish of Herne §§§; and another grant from the same Chirche of eight pence a year out of a messuage and three acres of land in Strode burgh at Herne §§§; and also of eight pence a year and two acres and a half at Stockgrove in Thornden in Herne ***.

In 1528, an agreement between Thomas Nightingale, vicar of 1528. the parish and mother-church of Reculver, John Coke and John Cobbe, churchwardens of the said church, and Henry Holande,

* 15 Junii, 1415, apud London' Dñs contulit Henrico Gate ad hermitagium de Reculver, vacant', ut dicitur, et ad suam collationem pleno jure spectant'. Reg. Chicheley, fol. 64. b.

† See p. 153. ‡ Afterwards lord mayor. See his wife's epitaph in p. 106.

§ Northgate Hospital Private Deeds, N^o 153.

§ Ibid. N^o 156.

†† Harbledown Private Deeds, N^o 89.

‡‡ Ibid. N^o 92.

§§ Ibid. N^o 93.

** Ibid. N^o 162.

‡‡ Ibid.

*** Ibid. N^o 94.

vicar of St. Nicholas in Thanet, and John Everard and Robert Abraham, chapel-wardens and inhabitants of that parish, before archbishop Warham, concerning the repairs of the said mother-church*.

- A. D.
1589. In 1589, a decree of archbishop Whitgift concerning the said composition, dated 31 Aug. 1589 †.
1632. In 1632, April 2, John Welby, junior, assigned to the hospital at Northgate two acres and a half of arable in Haweburgh, and a tenement, garden, and two acres adjoining, at Childforstal, alias Herst, near the common in Herne, for 60*l.* ‡
1637. Letter to archbishop Laud, from the lords of the council, requiring him to proceed with all expedition in a cause depending before him, between the inhabitants of Reculver and those of the chapelries of St. Nicholas and Herne, touching the repair of the church and steeple of Reculver; dated from Whitehall, the last day of December, 1637 ||.

A list of the rectors and vicars of RECVLVER, from the archiepiscopal registers, may be seen in p. 154—156; and of the chantry priests there, p. 157, 158.

The vicars of HERNE will be found in p. 159, 160.

* Compositio inter Tho' Nightingale, vicar' eccl' paroch' et matricis de Reculver, Jbh' Cocke & Jo' Cobbe, economos, five bonorum custodes, eccl' predjct', et mag' Hen' Holande, vicar' capellæ Sc'i Nicholaj in Thanet, et Joh' Everard et Rob' Abraham, economos, five bonorum custodes, ejusdem capellæ, & parochianor' inhabitant', coram dno Will' (Warham) Cant' archiep', de annua solutione 111 s. 1111 d. et super consecrione et reparatione dicte matricis eccl'. Dat' apud Cant', 24. Aug' 1528. Reg. Whitgift, pars. 1. fol. 257, a. b.

† Ibid. fol. 261.

‡ This purchase was probably with a fine paid by the countess of Winchelsea, in consequence of an agreement made (by allowance of archbishop Abbot) between her ladyship and the prior and brethren, after a verdict given at a trial in the Guildhall, Canterbury, in 1626, in favour of the countess; who engaged to pay annually 13*l.* 4*d.* to the hospital, with arrears from 1564, amounting to 44*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* and to add 20*l.* provided 60*l.* were laid out for the benefit of the hospital; the prior and brethren, in return, renouncing all claim on the lands at Herst. Private Deeds of Northgate Hospital, N^o 33. and 147.

|| Reg. Laud, pars. 1. fol. 286. a. b.

TWO LETTERS from the Rev. Mr. GREEN* ;

Communicated by Dr. DUCAREL, from a MS. in the Lambeth Library,
intituled, "Notitia Parochialis," and marked N^o 1605, 1606.

IT is certain the church of RECVLVER is one of the most ancient churches in Kent ; and, if any credit may be given to an inscription written upon the south-east part of the said church, in old English †, over a small chancel or cemetery, king Ethelbert was buried there. By whom it was founded is uncertain: whether the church now standing was the ancient parish church seems to me doubtful. Reculver, being once the seat of a king, was so populous, that it seems to me improbable that the present church could contain the people ; and the current tradition of the place is, that the parish church stood about a mile into the sea, upon a place called by the inhabitants "The Black Rock;" which shews itself at low water. The present church seems to me to be built for the use of the religious house within the walls. The sea has swallowed up one half of the parish ; and, with the *terra firma*, the ancient parish-church that stood upon it. This tradition of the place seems to me not improbable. About the year 1271, Archbishop Kilwardby appropriated that church and the hospitals of Harbledown and Northgate, "salvo perpetuo vicario qui in dictâ ecclesiâ curam haberet animarum congruâ porcione." About the year 1279, Archbishop Peckham disappropriated that church, "& revocabat eam in pristinum statum." In the book of taxations of ecclesiastical livings made in 1281 it is mentioned, that the church of Reculver had these chapels thereunto annexed, viz. Hoath, St. Nicholas, All Saints, and Herne. It is very probable that, for many years before that taxation, those chapels were annexed to that mother-church. In the year 1310 Archbishop Winchelsey, reciting that one Nicholas de Tyngewyk was then rector of that church, did ordain three vicarages, "unam videlicet in ecclesiâ de Reculver, cujus vicarius perpetuus in ipsâ & capellâ adjacente de Hoath, & aliam in capellâ S^ci Nicolai in Thanet^o, cujus vicarius in ipsâ & capellâ Omnium Sanctorum, necnon & tertiam in capellâ de Herne, cujus vicarius in ipsâ animarum sub rectore qui pro tempore fuerit curam gerent & personaliter exercebunt ;" and appointed that the vicar of Reculver should in that church, and in the chapel of Hoath, have "decimas fœni, lini," and all small tithes, "cum decimis garbarum in hortis clausis, & a pede fossis," and certain yearly pensions from the vicars of St. Nicholas and Herne ; and that the vicar of St. Nicholas should have the like tithes in St. Nicholas and All Saints, and the vicar of Herne such tithes in Herne. In the year 1311, Clement VI. granted to the then Archbishop of Canterbury [Reynolds], that, "cedente vel decedente rectore de Reculver," the said church, with the chapels, should be appropriated "mensæ

* It does not appear to whom the above letters are addressed, nor have they any date ; but it must have been between 1695 and 1716, the time of Mr. Green's intumbency. See p. 156.

† See it; p. 72.

“ archiepiscopali Cant’;” and that the archbishop should appoint a congruous portion for the vicar to be there maintained, with this proviso, “ Quod ecclesia parochialis & capellæ prædictæ debitis obsequiis non frauderentur, & quod in eis cultus divinus & consuetus ministrorum numerus non minuerentur.” In the state the said Clement put the church of Reculver it continues to this day. The archbishop collates. It is endowed with a vicarage-house, and about three acres of glebe; one acre of which is marsh land. It is also endowed with all small tithes, and the great tithes of all land lying within the walls that environ the church and the site of the monastery *, which I compute to be about eleven or twelve acres. It has also an augmentation granted of twenty pounds a year, paid out of the parsonage of Herne, Reculver, and Hoath, in the hands of Samuel Milles, Esq. paid half yearly; ten pounds at Lady-day, and the like sum of ten pounds at Michaelmas. Herne pays annually a pension of forty shillings, the one half at Lady-day, the other at Michaelmas. The parish of St. Nicholas, with the chapelry of All Saints (now dilapidated) thereto annexed, pays to the vicar of Reculver yearly the sum of three pounds; and this pension is paid also half yearly at Lady-day and Michaelmas. I must not forget also to add, that, when the said vicarages were ordained, there were certain pensions ordained yearly to be paid by the parishes of Herne and St. Nicholas, towards the keeping of the mother church of Reculver in repair. Herne pays annually the sum of five shillings, and St. Nicholas the annual sum of three shillings and four pence. These sums the parishes aforesaid are obliged to pay on Monday in Whitsun-week; and for default or nonpayment of the said sums upon the said day, they are liable to be equally rated and assessed with the parishioners of Reculver and Hoath, towards the repairs of the said church. About threescore years ago the parishes aforesaid neglected or refused to pay the said pensions; whereupon the churchwardens of the parish of Reculver made an equal assessment upon all the lands in Herne, St. Nicholas, and Reculver, towards repairing the said church; which assessments, as appears by the church books now extant, were punctually paid by the said parishes for three years together (so long, I presume, the suit betwixt the parish of Reculver and the parishes of Herne and St. Nicholas lasted); but afterwards they complied to pay the pensions, and so have done (as they have good reason) ever since. The suit was managed, on the part of Reculver, by one Mr. Cobb of Bishopston in Reculver, one of whose ancestors was York herald at arms, and lies buried in the chancel of Reculver †. I think myself obliged in gratitude to mention this gentleman’s name; because it is in a great measure owing to his indefatigable care and application in searching records and managing this suit, that these pensions were not then lost. And here I cannot well forget the piety of John Hills, a farmer, who lived at Brooke in the parish of Reculver, partly to preserve his memory, and partly to provoke others of ability to

* Agreeably to the original endowment. See p. 137.

† See h.’s epitaph, p. 73.—He married a Cobb, of this county, and seems to have been the man who made the remarks on Camden’s Britannia; which possibly he did out of spite and revenge, because he missed the place of Clarencieux. The author of Camden’s Life saith, this man’s name was in reality Brooksmouth, but that he contracted it to Brook, because he thought it sounded better.

Dr. HARRIS.

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follow his example. This good man, besides three pounds a year and upwards which he gave to the labourers of Reculver for ever, gave to the church a large Bible and a pulpit cloth, a large silver flaggon, chalice, and salver, for the communion service, and a very fine damask table-cloth to spread upon the altar.

The church of Reculver is lofty and well built; it has two steeples in front, in one of which hang four bells; these steeples were built, if we believe the tradition of the place, by two sisters; and, as appears by all the sea charts I have seen, are of great use in carrying ships over the flats, to and from London. The chancel is large and lofty; it has two stately pillars to support its entrance, and a curious ascent to the altar; so that it is exceeded by few in Kent. I could send you the inscriptions that are in the church, if I thought them necessary; and you may command them at any time by letter. I have given you the best account of my church and chapel I am able; and am, Sir, Your very humble servant,

F. GREEN.

My church, by the ill neighbourhood of the sea, and being too indulgent a mother, in giving large portions to her two daughters Herne and St. Nicholas, is now left the poorest of the three.

L E T T E R II.

THE chapel of HOATH, alias Hoth, annexed to the vicarage of Reculver, was dedicated "in honorem gloriosæ virginis Mariæ genetricis Dei & suæ crucis vivificæ;" and the feast of its dedication was yearly celebrated on the 19th day of December. The chapel is distant from Reculver about four miles; and so probably was built at the charge of the inhabitants, to save themselves the trouble of going to the mother-church to hear divine offices. The chapel is very ancient; built, when Reculver was a rectory, long before the Reformation, in the year 1303. Boniface VIII. in a faculty which he granted concerning the said chapel of Hoath, after he had therein recited that he was informed by some of the parishioners that many of them dwelt three miles, or thereabouts, from the church of Reculver, and that in the winter-time they could hardly bring their dead bodies to that church, and that the chapel of Hoath was canonically founded within the parish, "& cum fontibus baptismalibus erecta in quâ," they heard divine service and received the holy sacrament, "per sacerdotes ad hæc per rectorem dictæ ecclesiæ deputandos," did, upon their petition, give leave that they might make and have a church-yard near that chapel to bury their dead in. In the year 1410, Archbishop Arundel dedicated this chapel, and granted "sepulturam" there; and ordered that the vicar of Reculver should not by that ordinance be prejudiced in the oblations or other rights to him due or accustomed: "nec ipsum vicarium ad capellani alicujus inventionem, seu ad aliqua alia onera in eadem capellâ ultra solitum astringi nolumus vel teneri." He and the then inhabitants there bound themselves, with their successors, to obey these ordinances. In the year 1360, one Thomas Nawe*, being vicar of Reculver, for the perpetual discharge of himself and succes-

* In 1354 he was rector of Aldington, and is described in Abp. Islip's register (see p. 157) as "*duum* vicar' eccl' paroch' de Raculvre." In 1371 he occurs in Abp. Wittlesey's registers (see p. 57) as "rect' eccl' de Godmersham."

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fers from officiating in the cure of Hoath, and for furnishing the burghers with a constant and resident priest, to attend them at all needs, founded in Hoath chapel a perpetual chantry to be served by a residing priest; who, besides the duty of the chantry, should officiate in the cure there; which chantry was endowed with competency of means, and the priest accommodated with a house and glebe. From the foundation of the chantry till the dissolution, the cure of Hoath became duly served "in divinis" by the chantry-priest thereof; the vicar of Reculver in the interim being quit of all care thereof, or attendance thereon. Since the dissolution of the chantry, frequent disputes have happened between the burghers of Hoath and the vicars of Reculver; the vicars often neglecting the cure of Hoath for some years together; holding and pleading themselves acquitted of the cure by that ancient provision made touching the same by Newe, their predecessor: and this their plea was allowed by the visitors in Queen Mary's days, and by Archbishop Abbot in his time, after a suit between the burghers of Hoath and one Mr. Barnabas Knell *, vicar of Reculver; which depended some years. The chantry-house and lands may be easily traced.

Query, Whether there be no way to recover the revenues of the chantry, and to revive the chapel therewith? And whether the statute 37 Henry VIII. could reach or rightly seize the same; in regard they were not given principally to a superstitious end, but towards the maintaining of divine service?

There is a pension of 40 s. paid by Ford, a seat of the Archbishops of Canterbury, demolished in the late unhappy times of rebellion. Its patron and tithes the same with Reculver; they do not amount to 14 l. a year.

* Who became vicar in 1602. See p. 155.

Among the Private Deeds of Harbledown Hospital, Nos. 65, 66, and 67, are terriers; in which occur,

De terra de *Reycolfer*, Robert Clay solvit 1111 s. p an. & John LITTLE 11 s.
Also Solomon Hachard and Thomas his brother 11 s.

The land in *Reculv'* of Sand' Hallet to pittance 111 s. 1v d.

Ifolda wife of Henry Southereye 11 s. out of a croft called Brokesfeld in *Herne*.

The land of John a Churche in *Herne* to pittance 111 s.

The lands in *Herne* to pittance xx11 s. 11 d.

Harbledown Hospital receives at present, from 50 acres rented in *Herne* by Mr. Tucker (one third of the rent) 4 l. 13 s. 4 d.

And from some other lands in that parish 10

Northgate Hospital receives, from lands there called Childforstal, 2 10 0

From the 50 acres rented by Mr. Tucker (two thirds of the rent) 9 6 8

From 28 acres and a half, Mr. Hubbard's, 6 11 0

From 1 acre and a half, Mr. Pembroke's, 0 10 0

From 3 acres and three quarters in *Reculver*, 1 15 0

From Brotherhood close, in *Hode*, 0 10 0

CHARTERS and other RECORDS
relating to **RECVLVER and HERNE.**

Charta Ricardi Archiepi Cant'. Dat' inter A. D. 1171 & 1184.

(In dorso.) Donatio xx librarum ex ecclia de Reculver ultra cxl li. prius concess'
ex maneriis de Raculfe & Boctun.

From the Charters of Harbledown Hospital.

An old copy of this charter begins, "Copia scripta ex libro antiquo de Recol-
" vere, qui quidem liber dicitur Textus quisitus p̄ fr̄es de Northgate."

RIC' Dei gr̄a Cant' archiep'*, tocius Anglie primas, univ̄sis sc̄e n̄ris ecclie filiis ad quos littere iste p̄venerint, ēnam in Dño salt'. Res gesta sc̄pto p̄vide commendat' ne p̄c̄ssu tēporis aut a memoria decedat, aut aliqua malignantium versutia infirmetur. Ea p̄pter ad omnium notitiam volum' p̄venire, quod cum olim bone memorie Lanfranc' p̄decessor n̄r duo hospitalia, unum scilicet ap̄d Herebald', & aliud ap̄d Cant' extra Norgate, instituisset, & ad sustentationem fr̄m hinc leproforum, illinc claudorum, cecorum, & debilium, septies viginti libras sterling' de duob' maneriis, videlicet de Raculfe & Boctun, annuatim p̄cipiendas assignasset, tandem ad curam & regimen sc̄e Cant' ecclie, licet indigne, Dño tam' disponente vocati, cum p̄dictas septies xx libras ad sustentationem hospitalium minime sufficere, & fr̄es eorundem hospitalium gravissima paupertate & inedia videremus laborare, desiderio desideramus eor' paupertati & insufficientie subvenire: Quod quidem diu in animo volventes & revolventes, commodius & plenius adimpleri posse non credidimus quam in ecclia de Raculve, que in manerio de Raculve fundata est, de quo ex parte maxima reddit' p̄dictar' septies xx librarum annuatim p̄venire debet: Cum ergo dilectus filius noster Hugo, persona ejusdem ecclie, super hoc diligenter admonitus, reverenter & devote divina p̄veniente gr̄a ammonicionibus n̄ris obtemperando eccliam ipsam libere nob' resignasset, p̄dictis hospitalib' & fr̄ib' eorundem hospitalium in supradicta ecclia viginti libras sterling' in festo Sc̄i Johis annuatim p̄cipiendas, in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam concessimus & assignavimus, ita quidem quod residuum fructuum ipsius ecclie in n̄ra & successorum n̄rorum manu & potestate residebit sc̄dm

* See p. 118.

in sicut nob' placuerit disponendum. Un' volumus & ea qua fungim' auctoritate precipimus quod predicta hospitalia & fr̄es in eis degentes habeant & percipiant annuatim sicut diximus in p̄nōiata eccl̄a xx libras sterling'. Et ut hec n̄ra donatio firma & incolvula p̄maneat, eam p̄senti scripto & sigilli n̄ri appoñe decrevimus confirmare; statuentes & sub interminatione anathematis phibentes ne quis hanc n̄re confirmationis paginam infringere aut eis aliquatenus temere contrarie p̄sumat. Testibus hiis, Gerardo ^a ep̄o & Moyse priore Coventr', maḡro Petro Blesfen' ^b Bathon', Willo Glocestr' archidiaconis; maḡro Henr' Northampton, Willo de Honorio, capellanis; maḡro Rob' de Ingleham, maḡro R. de Rulvestun', maḡro Rad' de S̄o Martino, maḡro Rog' Norwic', Rogo Decano, maḡro Arnico, Thoma de Newesole, Ric' Lndon', Galfr' Forte, Eustachio elemosinario, Michale de Burnes, Willo Sotewaene, & pluribus aliis.

Ordinatio inter Parochianos Capellarum Omnium Sanctorum & Sancti Nicholai in Thaneto, 1284.

From the Registers of Archbishop Peckham, fol. 206. b.

UNIVERSIS, &c. frater Johannes ^c, &c. intelligimus nuper dilectis filiis ecclesie seu capelle Omnium Sanctorum in Thaneto parochianis nobis informantibus quod vicarius ecclesie de Racolvre astrictus, tam de jure quam de consuetudine approbata & hactenus optenta pacifice & quiete, ad inveniend' unum presbyterum celebratione in capella Omnium Sanctorum in Thaneto commorantem assidue & etiam pernoctantem, ad prestand' sacramenta & sacramentalia ecclesiastica parochianis ibidem, necnon & ad faciend' servitium divinum, matutinas, vesp̄eras, & alias horas canonicas, presbyterum & servitium hujus propria auctoritate subtraxit minus juste, quodque ex hoc contingit quod parochiani dicte capelle Omnium Sanctorum, que per ceteros fines sive limites divisā fuerat antiquitus, ut dicitur, capellam ipsam deferere, & vicinas ecclesias adire, divina audituri, ac sacramentalia ecclesiastica recepturi, sunt coacti. Nos, volentes periculis in hac parte imminentibus obviare, & animarum nobis subditarum salutem indulgentia quanta possumus providere, inquisitionem super hiis ex officio nostro per viros fide dignos fieri fecimus specialem; verum transmissa nobis inquisitione eadem & tam parochianorum capelle Sancti Nicholai quam etiam

^a According to Le Neve, Gerard la.Pucelle was consecrated Bp. of Litchfield and Coventry, Sept. 25, 1183.

^b Le Neve likewise mentions, on the authority of Gervase, col. 2464, 1490, that Henry succeeded Peter Blesensis in the Archdeaconry of Bath in 1182. But it appears from this instrument, to which he is a witness, that he enjoyed that Archdeaconry in 1183.

^c Archbishop Peckham.

Omnium.

Omniū Sanctorum nec non procuratoris dicti vicarii specialis ac aliorum quorū intererat ad hoc notatorum presencia publicata clerici & commissarii nostri negotiū circumstantiis & articulis in dicta inquisitione consideratis, ac etiam discussionibus habitis inter procuratorem & capellarum parochianos antedictos; ordinarunt vice nostra, decreverunt, & etiam pronunciarunt juxta tenorem inquisitionis supradictę, quod vicarius de Racolvre qui pro tempore fuerit suis propriis sumptibus inveniet unum presbiterum in dicta capella Omnium Sanctorum, matutinas, vesperas, ac alias horas canonicas celebrantem, & in eadem parochia assidue pernoctantem, ipsius loci parochianis, prout in inquisitione eadem plenius continetur, ecclesiastica sacramenta & sacramentalia prestiturum. Decreverunt insuper ut quociens altera capellarum Omnium Sanctorum & Sancti Nicholai predictę reparacione indigeat in futurum, utriusque parochiani ad reparacionem hujus pro rata porcionis contribuant in perpetuum, & quod tam vicarius de Racolvre quam etiam parochiani supradicti ad premissa in posterum facienda & etiam observanda per quemlibet loci ordinarium per quamcunque censuram ecclesiasticam quociens opus fuerit sine judiciali strepitu compellantur, ipsorum procuratoris & parochianorum capelle utriusque consensu ad hoc expresso accedente. Nos autem quod per clericos & commissarios nostros ac procuratorem & parochianos in hac parte actum est & consensu ratum habentes & firmum id auctoritate nostra confirmamus. In quorum omnium testimonium, & eorundem perpetuam firmitatem, has literas utriusque capelle parochianis concessimus sigilli nostri munimine roboratas. Dat' apud Aldyngton, v kal' Maii, anno Dñi M C C C L X X I I I I, Ordin' ñri sexto.

Confirmatio Edwardi I. de Revocatione Eccleie de Reculver ad cameram Archiepiscopalem Cant'; et ut Hospitalia sustineantur ex redditibus ipsius Archiepiscopi, 1291.

From the Charters of Harbledown Hospital.

EDWARDUS Dei gr̃a rex Angl', dominus Hibernie, & dux Aquitanie, omnibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salēm. Inspeximus litteras patentes venerabilis patris Johis Cantuar' archiepiscopi, super revocatione eccleie de Racolvere in statum pristinum, in hec verba: "Universis sanctę matris eccleie filiis ad quorum notitiam presens scriptura pervenerit, frater Johes^a permissione divina Cantuar' archiepiscopus totius Anglie primas salutem in Domino sempiternam. Dudum bone memorie ãns Robtus^b predecessor noster ut cameram archiepiscopalem ab onere prestationis cujusdam magne quantitatis pecunie quam de Herbaldon leprosor' & de Northgate pauperum hospitalia nostre diocesis pro sustentatione infirmorum & pauperum ipsorum hospitalium ex antiqua consuetudine consueverunt annuatim perci-

^a Abp. Peckham.

^b Abp. Kilwardby.

“pere, & tam beati Thome² quam alior² archiepior Cantuar² successor² ipsius tem-
 “pore usque ad tempus ejusdem Roberti continue perceperant, liberaret, eccliam
 “de Racolvere ejusdem diocef² ad liberam collacionem Cantuar² archiepi perti-
 “nentem in proprios usus ipsis hospitalibus in compensationem ejusdem quantitatis
 “concessit, capituli Cantuar² ad hoc procurato consensu: Nos autem prefato Ro-
 “berto immediate permittente Dño succedentes, ac advertentes sollicitè memoratam
 “appropriationem in ecclie ac hospitalium predictor² grave prejudicium & jactu-
 “ram multipliciter redundare; cum & ecclia ipsa ex hoc debitis & ab antiquo
 “consuetis defraudetur obsequiis, & animarum curam non absque gravi periculo
 “in eam dampnabiliter negligatur; quodque parochiani ejusdem ecclie ipsam
 “leprosis subesse, ac hujusmodi appropriationem moleste ferentes, pro eo quod ipsi
 “rectoris solacio destitutis, per eam suffragia spūalia subtrahuntur, eis de viribus ip-
 “sius ecclie non respondent, sicque dca hospitalia de redditibus ipsius ecclie, licet
 “plus valere dicantur, debitam nequeant percipere quantitatem. Volentes quo-
 “que animar² saluti & dictor² hospital² utilitatibus in hac parte consulere, & tam
 “in spūalibus parochianorum, quam in temporalibus hospitalium predictor² com-
 “modus providere, sanctissimi patris dñi Nichi Pape quarti ad hoc per litteras
 “apostolicas concurrente beneplacito & mandato, ac etiam pronunciato per execu-
 “torum litterar² earundem hoc debere fieri, concessaque nobis ab eo super revoca-
 “tione hujusmodi libera facultate, necnon capituli nri Cantuar², dictor² hospitalium
 “parochianor², & ipsorum Custodis hospitalium accedente consensu, eccliam de
 “Racolvere supradictam in statum pristinum revocamus, & archiepālem cameram
 “juxta pristinam ordinationem & consuetudinem predictam ad eandem pecunie quan-
 “titatem quam ante appropriationem hujusmodi ab ipso percipere consueverant
 “dictis hospitalibus annis singulis persolvendam pro nobis & successoribus nostris
 “inperpetuam obligamus. In cujus rei testimonium, presentem scripturam sigilli
 “nri fecimus appensione muniri. Dat² apud Otteford non² Julii, anno dñi MCC.
 “nonagesimo, ordinationis nre duodecimo.” Nos autem predictam revocationem
 “& onerationem camere archiepālis Cant² ad sustentationem infirmorum predictor²
 “sic ordinatam ratas habentes & gratas, eas pro nobis & heredibus nostris quan-
 “tum in nobis est concedimus & confirmamus, sicut littere predictæ racionabiliter tes-
 “tantur. Teste mcipso apud Westmon², decimo octavo die Decembr², anno regni nri
 “decimo nono.

(Broad seal very well preserved.)

2 Abp. Becket.

Ordinatio inter Vicar' de Reycolvre & Parochianos ejusdem, super Oblationibu in trunco in Ecclesia reponend', & de delatione claviu ejusdem & ceteris que patent', 1296.

From the Registers of Archbishop Winchelsey, fol. 185, b. 186, a.

IN nomine Domini, Amen. Cum nos Robertus ^a Dei gratia Cantuar' archiepiscopus, totius Anglie primas, ecclesiam de Reculvre cum suis capellis nostre dioc' visitans inter cetera inveniremus quasdam contentiones inter ecclesie supradicte vicarium & parochianos ejusdem fuisse subortas, videlicet, super oblationibus seu elemosinis in quodam trunco juxta magnam crucem lapideam inter ecclesiam & cancellum repositis, & de modo hujusmodi oblationes seu elemosinas colligendi, conservandi, ac etiam erogandi, ipsis parochianis asserentibus obventiones easdem per eos & non per alios recepisse, colligi, conservari, & tam ad ecclesie & cancelli fabricam ac reparationem defectuum ipsorum ecclesie, & cancelli, & librorum, ornamentorum, & vestimentorum ejusdem, quarum fabricae & reparationum onus de consuetudine iidem parochiani agnoverant hactenus & agnoscunt, & non per alium colligi, nec ad usus alios erogari debere prefato vicario conquerente ac etiam asserente quod dicti parochiani per se ipsos sine visu alicujus ministri ecclesie dictas obventiones colligunt, & per varias suasiones populum inibi confluentem, ac etiam ejusdem ecclesie parochianos, sollicitant & inducunt ut oblationes quas ad magnum altare facere vellent, & quas tam in purificationibus mulierum quam in sponfalibus & pro defunctis sepeliendis consuetum est fieri, ad crucem offerant antedictam; ipsum vicarium, & vicariam suam predictam suo jure, per suasiones hujusmodi defraudent, quodque obventiones hujusmodi pro sua voluntate in usus alios, non ad premissa, distribuunt & convertunt: Nos demum volentes tam ecclesie quam personis servata in omnibus ut convenit debita honestate prospicere; de premissis precipimus, ac etiam ordinamus, ut dictus truncus sub quatuor clavibus conferratur, quarum unus ecclesie supradicte vicarius, & duo parochiani loci ejusdem ad id p communitatem parochianorum electi duas alias, & quartam unus parochianus ecclesie seu capelle de Herne electus similiter a communitate parochianorum ejusdem, habeant, & in festo nativitatis beate virginis unus ipsius ecclesie clericus indutus superpellitio, una cum duobus vel tribus parochianis dicte ecclesie sibi assistentibus si voluerint, obventiones colligant antedictas, & eas statim in prefato trunco reponant, nulla suasionem aut sollicitatione ipso die vel diebus aliis quibuscunque modis facta aut etiam procurata per que oblationes ad magnum altare ex voluntaria devotione vel de consuetudine ut superius tangitur faciende aliquantulum subtrahantur, minuantur, aut in dicto trunco ponantur. Nec aliquis vel aliqua de parochianis dicte ecclesie ab ob-

^a Archbishop Winchelsey.

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lationibus consuetis ea ratione se subtrahant, aut oblationes ipsas in dicto truncato reponant, sub pena excommunicationis majoris, quam ipso facto contra premissa vel eorum aliquod venientes incurrunt, tanquam juris ecclesie notorii offensores. Cum vero dictum truncum aperiri contigerit, pecunia in eodem existens per visum vicarii & aliquorum parochianorum exinde recepta, cujus quantitas in aliquo memoriali scribatur, ad dictas fabricam & refectionum defectum, & non aliis usibus, per duos parochianos electos per totam parochiam, & de fidelitate juratos, per visum vicarii applicetur, & post modum tempore competenti saltem semel in anno in ipsius vicariis & aliquorum parochianorum presentia ad id per parochianos deputatos fidelis computus exinde reddatur ut sit factum parochianorum quoad id per vicarium testificari valeat & videri. Dicitur vero vicarius & ceteri ministri ecclesie de pecunia eadem in aliqua curialitate respiciantur prout parochianis videbitur opportunum. Inhibemus etiam, sub pena excois predictae, nequis contra nostram ordinationem premissam in quocunque sui articulo quicquam facere seu clam vel palam procurare presumat, nec obventiones premissas aliquo modo colligere, seu in alios usus quam supra tanguntur committere, quoquo modo. De legatis quoque, relictis, & ceteris bonis quacunquē devotione collatis ad luminare, videlicet, ad sustinendum septem cereos in cancello ecclesie supradictae, de quibus similiter inter eosdem vicarium & parochianos erat contentio; taliter ordinamus ut duo parochiani ejusdem ecclesie, per communitatem ceterorum comparochianorum electi & ad subscripta jurati, prefatas obventiones ad luminare hujus colligentes per visum vicarii, prenotati recipiant; & ipsum luminare exinde sustineant. Ac etiam computum de sic receptis & erogatis semel in anno similiter reddant, ut superius est expressum. Idem etiam vicarius vi cereos & duos processionales sumptibus suis sustineat in cancello. Parochiani vero, ut superius tangitur, eligendi coram commissario rectoris ecclesie supradictae, aut dicto vicario, ac etiam in aliquorum comparochianorum presentia, de fideliter ac diligenter faciendo premissa, juramentum innovent omni anno. Act' & dat' apud Reculvre 11 idus Aprilis, anno Dñi MCC nonagesimo sexto, & consecrationis nostre secundo.

Commissario Rectoris Ecclesie de Raculvre ut super diversis criminibus & excessibus diffamati & convicti Pœnitentias subeant que sibi per Archiepiscopum & suos Commissarios fuerunt indictae. 1296.

From the Registers of Archbishop Winchelsey, fol. 189. b.

ROBERTUS permissione, &c. Dilecto filio commissario rectoris ecclesie de Reculvre & perpetuo vicario loci ejusdem salutem, gratiam, & benedictionem. Quia nuper in nostra ibidem visitatione plures comperimus super diversis criminibus & excessibus diffamatos, quorum aliquibus ut convictis certe pœnitentie per nostros
commis-

commissarios sunt indictæ, & de aliis est plenius inquirendum, vobis cum cohercionis potestatem committimus & mandamus in virtute obediencie, & sub pena excois majoris firmiter injungentes, quatenus omnes illos quibus pœnitentie taliter indicuntur per suspensionis & majoris excois sententias in personas eorum de die in diem si in hac parte rebelles extiterint, ut ipsas pœnitentias subeant premissa monitione canonica compellatis, quorum nomina & pœnitentie sepedicte in quadam cedula sigillo nostro signata quam vobis transmittimus plenius continentur. De aliis vero in alia cedula vobis sub eodem sigillo transmissa contentis volumus & mandamus ut ipsis personaliter coram vobis citatis & objectis eisdem per vos criminibus seu excessibus de quibus sic nobis seu commissariis nostris denunciatum extiterat, si ea negaverint, inquiretis super hiis per viros ydoneos ad de veritate dicenda juratos, diligentius veritatem eis purgationum canonicam juxta qualitatis excessuum indicentes, contra quos inquisicio non de veritate facti set de fama duntaxat astruet seu deponet: de adulterio quoque vel fornicatione sponte confessis, pro adulterio duas fustigationes per mercatum proximum, & duas alias circa suam parochialem ecclesiam; pro fornicatione autem simplici duas alias circa ecclesiam parochialem per dies dominicos ante processiones ejusdem, in suis duntaxat camelis ac femoralibus subeundas; convictis vero per inquisitionem aut purgationis defectum, pro adulterio tres fustigationes per mercatum, & tres circa ecclesiam suam parochialem, pro fornicatione vero simplici tres circa ecclesiam modo quo superius tangitur indicatis; set convictis de sortilegio sex fustigationes per mercatum, & sex circa suam ecclesiam parochialem ut supra; usurariis vero convictis tres circa ecclesiam & unam per mercatum modo simili injungatis; compellentes ut premittitur omnes & singulos sic convictos ut pœnitentias faciant sic indictas; contra illos siquidem qui se in nostra visitatione hujusmodi absentarunt, & quos videritis de criminibus supradictis notatos, quam cito redierint in forma qua in supra tangitur acrius procedatis. Quid autem feceritis in premissis, & de pœnitentiis sic completis, ac etiam de rebellum quoad ea seu excommunicatorum nominibus si qui fuerint, nos plenius certificetis quas cito poteritis oportune. Anno Dñi. MCCXCVI.

Ordinatio Vicar' in Ecclesia de Reculver, & in Capella de Hothe adjaen'; in Capella Scti Nicholai in Thaneto, & in Capella Omnium Sanctorum; necnon in Capella de Herne. Dat' apud Chering, 9 non. Aug. 1310.

From the Registers of Abp. Winchelsey, fol: 30.

ROBERTUS permissione divina Cantuar' archiepiscopus, tocius Anglie primas, ad perpetuam rei memoriam ***** Suscepti regiminis cura sollicitat' ut utilitatibus subjectorum in illis per quæ animarum saluti consulere, solite providere, ac, pastoris more vigilis, gregem dñicum nræ vigilancie creditum, quatu

quantum nobis ex alto pmittitur, salubria observancia custodire curemus; ne illum lupus rapax, antiquus serpens, humani generis inimicus, invadat, ejusque sanguis de nr̄is, q̄d absit, manibus requiratur; sed ut ad laudem divini nominis de illo possimus dignam in extremo judicio reddere rationem: Sane bonæ memoriæ quondam dñs Robs^a olim predecessor^r nr̄^r volens cameram archiepiscopalem a p̄stitione annua ducentar^r & quadraginta marcar^r sterlingorum de Herbaldoune leproforum, & de Northgate pauperum hospitalibus, juxta antiquam consuetudinem, ab eadem camera persolvend^r totaliter liberare, ecclesiam de Reculvre nr̄e dioc^e cum suis juribus & p̄tin^r in proprios usus ipsis hospitalibus in compensacione dictæ quantitatis, nr̄i capituli ad hoc p̄curato consensu, p̄ sua voluntate concessit; salva perpetuo vicario qui in dicta ecclesia curam haberet animarum congrua porcione quam in proventibus certis taxavit, p̄t in ordinatione ipsius plenius est contentum. Sed recolendæ memoriæ quondam dñs^b J. p̄decessor nr̄, & ipsius dñi R. successor immediatus, p̄pendens quod p̄pter appropriacionem p̄dictam, dicta ecclesia debitis obsequiis fuerat defraudata, & animarum cura non absque ipsarum gravi periculo quodammodo derelicta, unius hōis sollicitudine non sufficiente ad regimen tantæ curæ & parochiæ trium millium vel amplius animarum, auctoritate apostolica sibi specialiter in ea parte concessa, hospitalium & capituli nr̄i p̄dictor^r interveniente consensu, ecclesiam de Reculvre p̄dictam in statum pristinum revocavit, & archiepiscopalem cameram in p̄ensione annua suprascripta in perpetuum obligavit, prout in literis ejusdem p̄decessoris nr̄i plenius vidimus contineri. Verum cum ex hoc adhuc non sit succursum salubrit^r aut sufficient^r tantæ multitudini, quæ postea crevit non modicum, & in dies augmentum recipit animarum, rectore & vicario uno tum propter d̄cam multitudinem, tum propter capellarum ipsius ecclesiæ & locorum distanciam, sufficere ad curam non valentibus, ad ipsam ecclesiam & salutem animarum nr̄æ sollicitudinis studia ac intuitus converrentes; ut in ipsa matrice ecclia de Reculvre & capellis ejus non simplex sacerdos ad placitum removend^r plerumque forsitan idiota ut fieri consuevit curam exerceat animarum; sed vicarius p̄petuus idoneus qui de cura animarum sit sollicitus, & in celebratione divinorum ac collacione sacramentorum se viriliter exerceat & honeste, Xpi nomine invocato & adjutorio virginis gloriosæ in ejus nomine & honore est dicta ecclia de Reculvre dedicata, in ipsa ecclia & capellis ejus, de consensu dilecti filii magri Nicholai de Tyngewico^c, rectoris ipsius ecclie, tres p̄petuas ordinamus, stabilimus, & facimus vicarias; unam videlicet in ecclia de Raculvre, cujus vicarius p̄petuus in ipsa & capella adjacente de Hothe; & aliam in capella S̄ci Nicholai in Taneto, cujus vicarius in ipsa & capella Omnium Sanctorum^d; necnon & tertiam in capella de Herne, cujus vicarius in ipsa, animarum sub rectore qui p̄ tempe fuerit curam gerent & personaliter exercebunt: Decreventes & statuentes, ut de proventibus ipsius ecclesiæ & capellarum suarum dicti p̄petui vicarii has competentes & congruas ex nunc habeant porciones. Habeat & p̄cipiat p̄petuus vicarius ecclesiæ

^a Abp. Kilwardby.

^b Abp. Peckham.

^c See above, p. 78. This rector died 14 Edw. II. 1321.

^d All Saints chapel is now dilapidated and annexed to St. Nicholas.

de Reculvre in ipsa ecclesia & capella de Hothe omnes oblationes, decimas fari, lini, lanæ, & lactis, agnorum, ortorum, & omnes alias minutas decimas, que ad altaragium* spectare dicuntur, cum decimis garbarum in ortis clausis crescencium & pede fossis, ac pratis, ad ecclesiam de Reculvre & capellam de Hothe p̄d̄cam spectantibus, necnon & cum quadam area apud Reculvre in qua domus esse consueverat rectoriæ. Et nihilominus a p̄petuis vicariis capellarum S̄ci Nicholai & de Herne annuas de quibus infra fit mentio p̄cipiat pensiones. Vicarius autem capellæ S̄ci Nicholai in ipsa & capella Omnium Sanctorum consimiles illationes & decimas ad ipsam & ad capellam Omnium Sanctorum spectantes, cum terris ad ipsas capellas spectantibus, habeat & obtineat ejusdem nomine vicariæ. Sed de eisdem proventibus perpetuo vicario de Reculvre, in signum subjectionis perpetuæ, & ut ipsius porcio augeatur, quatuor marcas & decem solid' quos eidem vicarie perpetue imponimus, perpetuo vicario de Reculvre in perpetuum persolvend' solvat annis singulis nomine perpetuæ pensionis. Habeatque & percipiat perpetuus vicarius capellæ de Herne in ipsa capella oblationes & decimas consimiles ad ipsam capellam spectantes suæ nōie vicarie. Sed quadraginta solid' quos ipsi vicariæ p̄petue similiter imponimus, p̄pet' vicar' de Reculvre annuat' p̄solvat, prout de p̄cedente vicario superius duximus ordinand'. Has autem in festis natalis D̄ni & beati Joh̄is Baptistæ solvent d̄ci vicarii p̄ equalibus porcionib' penciones. Porro habebit quilibet d̄cor' vicar' unum presbyterum idoneum suis sumptib' sibi socium ad melius regimen suæ curæ. Et facient omnes vicarii p̄dicti obedienciam canonicam rectori ecclesiæ de Reculvre, qui est in quasi possessione in parochianos suos & sua parochia jurisdictionem ordinariam exercendi, ac sibi obedient in canonicis mandatis & licitis, prout conson' erit jur. Et perpetui vicarii capellar' S̄ci Nicholai & de Herne p̄dictar' perpetuo vicario de Reculvre qui pro tempore fuerit, propter reverenciam matricis ecclesiæ cujus est vicarius, obsequium conveniens impendent cum reverencia & honore. Et ad processiones Pentecostales juxta morem ecclesiæ faciendas, cum suis presbyteris & ministris ac parochianis, venient ad suam p̄dictam matricem ecclesiam, saltem annis singulis in crastino Pentecostes, necnon ad processionem & officium missæ iidem vicarii venient in die nativit' Virginis gloriosæ. Ad decimam insuper cum fuerit persolvenda, quæ a perpetuo vicario ecclesiæ de Raculvre pro proventibus vicariæ dum una tantum fuerat ad viginti quinque marcas' taxata integraliter exigetur, contribuet vicarius capellæ S̄ci Nicholai undecim solid' & quatuor denar'; et vicarius capellæ de Herne novem solid' & undecim denar' pro sua quam recipiunt porcione, & pro eadem rata quam juxta singulas porciones p̄dictas sibi duximus moderandam contribuent in aliis hujus oneribus extraordinariis indicendis. Et volumus ac statuimus ut vicarii capellarum S̄ci Nicholai & de Herne, si in exhibendis obsequiis reverencia & honore, in non veniendo ad processiones p̄dictas, aut contributionibus supradictis,

* See History of Herne, p. 100, note *.

† By this the area in which the rectory-house stood was charged with vicarial tithes; which may account for what is said in Mr. Greene's letter, p. 126, of the corn growing in the fields near the church paying tithes to the vicar. This augmentation remains to this day.

rebellionem fecerint, seu ab eis cessaverint sine causa, ex hoc eo ipso a suis vicariis amoveri perpetuo valeant & privari. Onus insuper ministror', libror', ornamentor', cancellor' reficiendor', seu construendor' de novo, & alior' hujus onerum ordinariorum, in capellis S^ci Nicholai & Omnium Sanctorum ad perpetuum vicarium S^ci Nicholai, & in capella de Herne ad ipsius vicarium pertinebit. In ecclesia autem de Reculvre, in qua parochiani ejusdem de consuetudine laudabili approbata cancellum construunt & reficiunt, & libros & ornamenta, ut dicitur, inveniunt cum est opus, necnon & capella de Hothe, vicarius ecclesie de Reculvre illa onera sustinebit quae vicarii ipsius ecclesie olim in eis consueverant sustinere^a. Volumus insuper & etiam ordinamus quod ad omnes praedictas vicarias perpetuas in quibus tres personas idoneas nobis nuper post ordinationem nostram praedictam per praedictum magistrum Nicholaum presentatas instituimus, videlicet, dominum Johannem de Hoo in vicaria ecclesie de Reculvre, dⁿⁱm Andream de Grantefete in vicaria capellae S^ci Nicholai praedictae, & dⁿⁱm Hugonem de Godynestre in vicaria capellae de Herne praedictae, cum ipsas vacare contigerit, idem magr Nicholas & successores sui nobis & nostris in perpetuum personas presentent idoneas infra tempus a canone limitatum ordinatione quondam dⁿⁱ Roberti predecessor' nostri praedicti, quam si & in quantum praemissis obviat & per bonae memoriae J. predecessorem nostrum praedictum non fuerit revocata, ex causis praedictis revocamus totaliter non obstant'. Et ut haec nostra ordinatio perpetuum robur obtineat firmitatis, ipsam, per dⁿⁱm Galfridum de Brampton, notarium publicum & scribam nostrum, in publicam formam redigi fecimus, & sigilli nostri appensione muniri. Et capitulum nostrum eidem procuravimus consentire. Acta sunt haec apud Charinge, ix kalend' Augusti, anno Domini 1310, cons' nostri xvi, Indict' viii, in presentia magistrorum Michis de Bereham cancellar' n^{ri}, Phi de Turvyke, Hen' de Derby, Roberti de Mallyng, caesarum n^{rae} curie auditor, ac Nichi de Tyngewico praedicti & Will' de Swanton, clericorum nostrorum, ad haec specialiter vocatorum.

Grant of a Market at Reculver; 7 Edw. II. 1313. (From the Original.)

EDWARDUS, Dei gra, rex Angl', dominus Hibnie, & dux Aquitanie, archiepiscopus, episcopus, abbatibus, prioribus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, prepositis, ministris, & omnibus ballivis & fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis nos de gra n^{ra} speciali concessisse, & hac carta n^{ra} confirmasse, venerabili patri Waltero^b archiepiscopo Cantuar', tocius Anglie primati, quod ipse & successores sui imperpetuum habeant unum mercatum, singulis septimanis, p^o diem Jovis, apud manerium suum

^a Thus as the parishioners of Reculver used to repair the chancel, the vicar of that parish was exonerated. For a long time past it has been repaired (as usual) by the lessee of the great tithes.

^b Walter Raynold, abp. 1313—1327.

de Reicolvre in com' Kanc', nisi mercatum illud sit ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum. Quare volumus & firmiter precipimus, p nobis & heredibus nris, qd pdcus archiepiscopus & successores sui pdci imperpetuum habeant pdcum mercatum, cum oibus libertatibus & liberis consuetudinibus ad hujusmodi mercata pertinentibus, nisi mercatum illud sit ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum, sicut pdcum est.

Hiis testibus, veñalib' patribus H. Wynton'^a, W. Coventrien' & Lichefelden'^b, J. Cicestren', J. Bathon' & Wellen'^c epis; Gilberto de Clafe^d comite Gloucestre' & Hertford, Humfredo de Bohun^e comite Hereford & Essex, Adimaro de Valencia^f comite Pembroch', Hugone le Despenser, & Edmundo de Malolacu senescallo hospitii nri, & aliis. Dat' p manum nram apud Cantuar', decimo septimo die Februarii, anno regni nri septimo.

[The seal is lost; but the holes for it remain.]

Dimissio pro magistro Nicholao de Tyngewyk, 1314.

From the Register of Abp. Reynolds, fol. 105. a.

PATEAT universis per presentes, quod cum coram nobis Waltero, permissione divina, &c. archiep' Cant', visitationis nostre officium actualiter exercentibus, fuisset mag' Nich' de Tyngewico, rector ecclesie de Raculvre, nostre dioc', super pluralitate beneficiorum suorum duorum, curam animarum habencium, scilicet, ecclesiarum de Caleshull Sarum dioc' primo, & de Raculvre predicta posterius asscurarum judicialiter impetitus; idem magister Nich', coram nobis comparens, munimenta & privilegia quibus se in hac parte munitum asseruit exhibuit in termino sibi ad hoc assignato: Nos igitur, hujus exhibitis per eundem per nos inspectis diligenter ac eciam examinatis, quia invenimus eundem magistrum Nicholaum super retentione beneficiorum predict' fuisse & esse sufficienter munitum, ipsum ab examine nostro, quatenus ad nostrum officium attinet, dimittimus per decretum. In cujus, &c. Dat' apud Lambeth, 12 kal' Junii, anno Dni 1314.

^a Henry Woodloke, bp. of Winchester 1305—1316.

^b Walter de Langham, lord treasurer and lord chancellor, bp. of Coventry and Litchfield 1295—1322.

^c John Drokenesford, keeper of the king's wardrobe, and deputy to the lord treasurer, bp. of Bath and Wells 1310—1329.

^d The last earl of Gloucester of that family. He was slain at Stirling Castle in the same year that he witnessed this charter.

^e Lord constable of England. He married Elizabeth daughter to king Edward I.

^f Earl of Pembroke 1296—1323. Mary his third lady was the foundress of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge; and also of Denny-abbey in that county. She died April 17, 1377.

Commissio ad exercend^m Jurisdictionem de Racolvre, 1325.

From the Register of Abp. Reynolds. f. 146. b.

WALTERUS, &c. Dilecto in Christo filio magistro Nicholao de Tyngewico, rectori ecclesie de Racolvre, salm, &c. Ad procedendum, cognoscendum, & firmaliter terminandum quascunque causas & quecunque negocia in parochia de Racolvre predict^a cum suis capellis emergent^r, necnon ad debite corrigend^a & puniend^a commissa quoscunque subditorum nostrorum inibi delinquencium, vobis, de cujus circumsp^ectione & industria fidem plenam gerimus, vices nostras committimus, cum coher^sionis canonice potestate, donec eas duxerimus revocandas. In cujus, &c. Dat^a apud Lambeth, 5 id^{us} Decemb^{ris}, 1325.

Grant of a Market and Fair at St. Nicholas in the Isle of Thanet, and also at Gillingham in Kent, 10 Edw. III. 1336. (From the Original.)

EDWARDUS, Dei gra, rex Angl^e, dominus Hibnie, & dux Aquitan^e, archiepis, epis, abbatibus, prioribus, comitibus, baronibus, justiciariis, vicecomitibus, prepositis, ministris, & omnibus ballivis & fidelibus suis, salutem. Sciatis nos de gra nra speciali concessisse, & hac carta nra confirmasse, venerabili patri Johi^{anni} archiepo Cantuar^{ie}, tocius Anglie primati, quod ipse & successores sui archiepi loci pdci imperpetuum habeant unum mercatum, singulis septimanis, p^{er} diem Lune, apud manerium suum Scti Nicholai in Thaneto in com^{itatu} Kanc^{ie}, & unam feriam ibidem singulis annis p^{er} duos dies duratur^a, viz. in crastino Nativitatis beate Marie Virginis & in die prox^{ima} sequenti; & unum mercatum, singulis septimanis, p^{er} diem Jovis, apud manerium suum de Gillingham, in com^{itatu} predict^a, & unam feriam ibidem singulis annis p^{er} octo dies duratur^a, videlicet, in die Inventionis Sctae Crucis & p^{er} septem dies prox^{imas} sequentes; nisi mercata illa & feriae illae sint ad nocumentum vicinor^{um} mercator^{um} & vicinar^{um} feriar^{um}. Quare volumus & firmiter precipimus, p^{ro} nobis & heredibus nris, qd pdcus archiepiscopus & successores sui pdci imperpetuum habeant dicta mercata & ferias apud dicta maneria sua, cum oibus libertatibus & liberis consuetudinibus ad hujusmodi mercata & ferias pertinentibus, nisi mercata illa & ferie illae sint ad nocumentum vicinorum mercatorum & vicinarum feriarum, sicut pdcum est.

John Stratford, who had been bishop of Winchester and lord chancellor, enjoyed the fee of Canterbury from 1333 to 1348.

Hiiis

Hiis testibus, veñalib' patribus Henr' Lincoln'^a ep̄o thesaurario n̄ro, Ric̄o Dunelm'^b ep̄o, Joh̄e comite Cornub'^c fratre n̄ro carissimo, Willmo de Monteacuto, Roberto de Ufford senescallo hospitii n̄ri, & aliis. Dat' p̄ manum n̄m apud Wodestok, tricesimo die Maii, anno regni n̄ri decimo.

[The great seal, as engraved in Sandford, well preserved.]

Licence of King Edward III. for appropriation of the Church of Reculver to the Archbishop's Table, and for payment of clx l. per ann. out of the Revenues of the See of Canterbury to the two Hospitals, notwithstanding the Statute of Mortmain, &c. 1348.

From the Harbledown Charters.

EDWARDUS; Dei gr̄a, rex Anglie & Franc', & dominus Hibernie, omnibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod cum dudum Cantuar' archiepi hospitalibus suis de Northgate & Herboldon de elemosinis suis fundatis, ab olim & a tempore cujus contrarii memoria non existit, ad sustentacionem fratrum, soror' & alior' pauperum in dictis hospitalibus degencium de bonis suis temporalibus centum & quadraginta libras certis terminis per equales porciones annuatim exsolvisent ut dicitur sede plena; Nosque & progenitores n̄ri, quociens & quando dca sedes vacabat, pro rata vacationis temporis hujusmodi de proficuis temporalium in manibus n̄ris & ipsorum progenitorum nostrorum existencium ipsis pauperibus portiones summe predictae solvissemus sicut per certificacionem thes' & baronum de Sc̄cio n̄ro in cancellar' nostram ad mandatum n̄m missam plene liquet, & ut accepimus rectores qui pro tempore fuerant ecclie de Recolvre que de archiepi Cantuar' existere dinoscitur patronatu viginti libras eisd' pauperibus annuatim solvisent per tempora supradicta: Nos ad requisicionem venerabilis patris Joh̄is de Stretford archiepi Cantuar' qui circa n̄ror' & regni n̄ri negotior' directionem diucius & efficacius laboravit, & quem eo pretextu, ac eccliam Xpi Cantuar' suo commissam regimini ob sinceram dileccionem quam ad locum illum gerimus favore benevolo prosequentes, de gr̄a n̄ra sp̄ali concessimus & liceantiam dedimus, pro nobis & heredibus n̄ris, quantum in nobis est, prefato archiepo, quod ipse & successores sui corporalem possessionem dicte ecclie de Recolvre ac capellar' eidem ecclie connexar', rectore ipsius ecclie cedente vel decedente, vel alias ipsam eccliam dimittente auctoritate ap̄lica apprehendere & habere possint.

^a Henry Burweth, lord treasurer and lord chancellor; bp. of Lincoln 1320—1343.

^b Richard de Bury, otherwise Angervil, lord privy seal, afterwards lord chancellor and treasurer; bishop of Durham 1333—1345.

^c John de Eltham, second son of Edward III.

eandemque ecclesiam & capellas cum suis juribus & pertin' universis in proprios usus ipsorum & mense sue archiepiscopalis imperpetuum retinere. Ita tamen, quod vacante sede archiepiscopali nos vel heredes occasione temporalium archiepiscopatus illius in manibus nris vel heredum nror' existencium, seu alia occasione quocunque ad solucionem dictor' summar', in toto vel in parte, minime teneamur; set quod dictus archiepiscopus & successores sui, qui sede plena, & alii qui sede vacante fructus & emolumenta dictor' ecclesie & capellar' sunt percepturi, ad solucionem dictar' summar' dictis pauperibus faciend' firmiter teneantur, prefatoque archiepiscopo & ejus successoribus, ac aliis fructus & emolumenta hujusmodi sic percepturis, quod ipse predictas centum & sexaginta libras magris, sive custodibus, & fratribus & sororibus, hospitalium predictor' annuatim, in summa predicta imperpetuum solvere, & eisdem magris, sive custodibus, fratribus & sororibus, quod ipsi eandem summam annuatim a prefatis archiepiscopo & ejus successoribus, seu aliis, fructus & emolumenta predicta sic percepturis percipere & habere valeant sibi & successoribus suis imperpetuum ut est dictum tenore presentium similiter licentiam dedimus spalem; statuto de terris & ten' ad manum mortuam non ponend' edito non obstante. Nolentes quod predictus archiepiscopus, vel successores sui, seu alii fructus & emolumenta hujusmodi percepturi, vel dicti magri sive custodes, aut fratres, seu sorores, vel eorum successores, ratione statuti predicti, seu pro eo quod advocatio dicte ecclesie de Recolvre tenetur de nobis in capite, per nos vel heredes nostros, justic', escaetores, vicecomites, aut alios ballivos, seu ministros nros quoscumque occasionentur, molestentur in aliquo, seu graventur. In cujus rei testimonium has litteras nras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westm' sextodecimo die Martii, anno regni in Angl' vicesimo secundo, regni vero nri Francie nono.

Carta Salamon But de tribus acris terre in Reyculver, 1357.

From the Private Deeds of Harbledown Hospital.

SCIANT presentes & futuri quod ego Salamon But de Halyberg de parochia de Recolvre dedi concessi & hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Willmo atte Welle capllo, Willo Chilham, Robto Bernard, Riço Lorkyn, Johi Motoun & Simoni Godhayt tres acras terre mee cum pertin', jacent' in poch' de Recolvre apud Sperkyn in campo vocato Brounyngeston inter terram heredum Willi Loue versus east, & terram Thome Dunston versus south & west, & terram Jacobi Lapyn versus north; habend' & tenend' predictas tres acras terre cum suis pertin' prefatis Willmo, Willmo, Robto, Riço, Johi, & Simoni, heredibus & assign' suis, libere, quiete, bene, & in pace imperpetuum, de capit' dno feodi per servicia inde debita & de jure consueta. In cujus rei testimonium presenti carte sigillum meum apposui. Dat' apud Re-

Recolvre décimo octavo die mens' April', anno regni reg' Edwardi Tercii post conquestum Ang' tricesimo octavo. Hiis testibus, Thoma Dunston, Hamone Hycke, Thoma Herwoldyngg, Wilto Chepman, Johne Sely, Thoma Symeon, Johne de Estwyk clerico, & aliis.

Carta ejusd' Sal' But de predictis tribus acris terre in Reculver, 1357.

From the Private Deeds of Harbledown Hospital.

SCIANT presentes & futuri quod ego Salamon But de Halyberg de parochia de Reculver dedi, concessi, & hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Wilto atte Welle capellano, Wilto Chilham, Robto Bernard, Ricardo Lorkyn, Johi Moton, & Simoni Godhayt, feoffatis, ad usum prioris, fratrum & soror' hospitalis Scti Nicholai de Herboldown tres acras terre mee cum pertin' in parochia de Reculver apud Sperkyn in campo vocato Brownyngeston inter terram heredum Willi Lowe versus east & terram Thome Dunston versus south & west & terram Jacobi Lapyn versus north, habend' & tenend' predictas tres acras terre cum suis pertinen' prefatis Willo, Wilto, Roberto, Ricardo, Johi, & Simoni, modo & forma predict' hered' & assign' suis libere, quiete, bene, & in pace imperpet' de capit' dno feod' per servicia inde debita & de jure consueta. In cujus rei &c. Dat' apud Reculver 18 April', an' regni reg' Edwardi Tertii 38. Hiis testibus, Thoma Dunston, Hamone Hyck, Thoma Herwoldyng, Wilto Chepman, Johne Sely, Thom' Symeon, Johne de Estwyk clerico, & aliis.

Carta indentata predictis feoffatis concedens predictas III acras terre predict' Salamon But sub annuo redditu unius Summe Ordei, 1357.

From the same Deeds.

HEC indentura testatur quod Wills atte Welle caplls, Wills Chilham, Robtus Bernard, Ricus Lorkyn, Johes Motoun, & Simon Godhayt, dederunt & hac presenti carta sua indentata confirmaverunt Salamoni But tres acras terre cum pertin' suis jacent' in poch' de Recolvre apud Sperkyn in uno campo vocat' Brounyngeston. Habend' prefato Salamoni heredibus & assign' suis imperpetuum, reddend' inde annuatim prefatis Wilto atte Welle, &c. heredibus & assign' suis, unam
summam

summam ordeï palmal' * annui redditus juxta melius precium except' duobus denariis in summa in festo Sēi Michis archangeli apud Herbaldown. Et predictus Salamon vult & concedit pro se, heredibus, & assign' suis & obligat dictas tres acras terre cum pertin' suis districtione predictor' Willi atte Welle, &c. hered' & assign' suor': ita quod bene licebit eisdem in dictis tribus acris terre cum pertin' suis distringere quocienscunque dictam summam ordeï palmal' annui redditus aliquo termino a retro esse contigerit, & districtiones penes se retinere quousque de omnibus arrerag' una cum dampnis & expensis ea occasione habitis & incurfis plenarie fuerit satisfactum, vel predictas tres acras terre cum pertin' suis retinere & eas pacifice possidere sibi, heredibus & assign' suis sine contradictione predicti Salamonis & hered' tuor' imperpetuum. In cujus rei test' partes predictæ huic carte indent' sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Dat' apud Racolvre duodecimo die mens' Junii, anno regni reg' Edwardi tercii post conquestum tricesimo octavo. Hiis testibus, Thoma Dunston, Johne atte Welle, Wilto Gilbert, Andr' Grenchame, Thoma But, Johē Symeon, Johē Sely, Johne Loue, Simone Loue, & aliis.

Exemplificatio antiqua [1384] continens varia instrumenta ad ecclesias de Reculvre et Herne spectantia, hodie (A. D. 1756) penes Decan' et Capit' Cantuar'.

From a transcript made by the Rev. Mr. Hall.

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus ad quos presentes litteræ pervenerint Robertus de Bradgare, commissarius Cantuarien' generalis, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas v̄ra quod novem litteræ patentes quarum sex litteræ sigillo bone memorie quondam dñi Johannis Stratford, Dei gratia, archiepi Cantuariensis, ac duæ litteræ earum sigillo commissarii Cantuariensis generalis ac alio sigillo bone memorie quondam Petri Durant audientie venerabilium virorum dñor' prioris et capituli ecclesie Cantuariensis (sede Cant' vacante) auditoris cera viridi eisdem appendentibus sigillatæ non abolitæ non rasæ non cancellatæ sed sane & integre ac omni vitio et suspicione sinistra carentis. Nobis in judicio pro tribunali sedentibus pro parte discreti viri magistri Johannis de Montecuto, perpetui vicarii ecclie de Reculvre, Cant' dioc' extiterant presentatæ, fuitque pro parte dicti vicarii nobis judicialiter propositum quod ipsum vicarium tam in diversis regni Angliæ quam extra ipsum regnum partibus etiam in Curia Romana fidem saltem summariam facere oportebat de eisdem litteris, et propter viarum discrimina et alia pericula que ratione delationis litterarum ipsarum si eas ad partes hujusmodi deferri contingeret possint in hac parte de facili verisimiliter evenire prefatas litteras originales ad par-

* If this word is rightly copied, it is not to be found in the Glossaries in any sense applicable to barley, unless it means *large fixed grain*.

res hujus secure destinare non audebat, quapropter ex parte ejusdem vicarii nobis cum instantia debita extitit humiliter supplicatum quatenus hujusmodi litteras respicere diligenterque inspicere transumi et examinari facere omnem juris effectum qui exinde sequi poterit curaremus, etiam ut hujusmodi transcripto cum litteris originalibus supradictis fides indubia adhiberetur, quarum vero litterarum tenores per ordinem sequuntur et sunt tales.

1. Johannis Stratford, Cantuar' archiep'i, nominatio III auditorum causarum in curia audientie dicti domini archiep'i, dat' apud Dovor', 21 die Feb. A. D. 1334.

2. Sententia d'ni Johannis Stratford, Cant' archiep'i, in controversia orta inter vicarios de Reculver et Herne, super sepultura tenentium in capite d'ni archiep'i, apud Herne decedentium, quod dicti tenentes in cemeterio matricis ecclesie de Reculver sepelire debent in futuro. Dat' apud Cherrynge, 16 kal' Nov', ann' D'ni 1334.

3. De reparationibus eccleie de Reculver. "Johannes permissione divina Cant' archiep'us totius Angliæ primas, et aplice sedis legatus, dilecto filio commissario nro Cant. generali sal', gr'am, et ben'. Cum, in visitatione nra Cant' dioc' per nos facta, pochiani eccleie pochialis de Reculvere hamlettum seu villam de Herne ejusdem dioc' inhabitantes, una cum aliis dicte eccleie pochianis, constructioni et reparationi ipsius eccleie et aliis ejus necessitatibus, sicut alii parochiani ejusdem, cum necessitas imminebat, contribuere denegantes, ac in termino eis ad proponendum canonicum si quod haberent quare sic contribuere non deberent auctoritate nra peremptorie assignato nihil in ea parte effectuale seu canonicum proponentes ad contribuendum juxta sufficientiam eorundem constructioni et reparationi et aliis necessitatibus eccleie supradicte, una cum aliis pochianis ejusdem, quotiens opus fuerit, ex decreto nostri in ea parte commissarii fuerant legitime condemnati, que condemnatio et decretum in auctoritatem rei transferant judicate, tandemque post processum varios super executione condemnationis et decreti predictorum auctoritate nra facta dictis pochianis coram nro vicario (nobis tunc in remotis agentibus) in spiritualibus generali sufficienter comparentibus, et de stando altæ et bassæ ordinationi nri super hiis et variis inobedientiis suis et contemptibus in hac parte se sponte et simpliciter submittentibus et ordinationi nre promittentibus parituros sub debito juramenti corporalis præstiti per eosdem: Nosque postmodum, ponderatis undique ponderandis ordinavimus, in hunc modum, nra auctoritate ordinaria semper salva, quod dicti pochiani apud Herne ut præmittitur commorantes dictis condemnationi et decreto pareant cum effectu, ac constructioni et reparationi hujus aliisque dicte eccleie necessitatibus, una cum ceteris pochianis ejusdem, sicut et illi juxta conditiones personarum et quantitatem facultatum suarum, futuris contribuant temporibus, quotiens opus erit, ad eos ad hoc faciendum decrevimus canonicè compellendos, reservantes nobis punitionem dictorum pochianorum pro ipsorum inobedientiis et contemptibus supradictis, vobis committimus et mandamus quatenus dictos pochianos omnes et singulos hameletum de Herne ut præmittitur inhabitantes, quotiens opus erit, et per partem rectoris dicte eccleie de Reculvere, seu custodis ejusdem, fueritis requisiti, publice et solemniter moneatis & effectualiter inducatis, quod ipsi dictis condemnationi et decreto pareant cum effectu, et ut præmittitur contribuant constructioni et reparationi ac aliis necessitatibus eccleie supradicte; quod si hujusmodi monitionibus vris parere contempserint, ipsos ad

id per quasunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonice compellatis; ad quod faciendum vobis cum coercionis canonice potestate commitimus vices vestras, et quod faceritis ac ipsi facere duxeritis in premissis, cum per partem rectoris seu custodum dicte ecclesie de Reculvre fueritis requisiti, certificetis per litteras vestras patentes harum seriem continentes. Dat' apud Lambeth, id' Martii, ann' Dñi 1335, et nre translationis ann' tertio."

4. In Dei nomine, amen. Cum in visitatione Cant' dioc' per nos Johannem permissione divina Cant' archiep'um totius Angliæ primatem et aplice sedis legatum actualiter nuper facta, pochiani ecclesie pochialis de Reculvre nre dioc' antedicte hamletum seu villam de Herne inhabitantes, una cum aliis dicte pochianis fabricæ ejusdem reparatione necessaria indigentis contribuere denegantes, ac in termino eisdem ad proponendum canonicum si quod haberent quare sic contribuere non deberent preemptorie assignato nihil in ea parte effectuale seu canonicum proponentes ad contribuend' juxta sufficientiam eorundem ex tunc constructioni & reparationi ecclesie supradicte una cum aliis parochiis ejusdem quotiens opus fuerit ex decreto nri in ea parte commissarii fuissent legitime condemnati, que condemnatio & decretum in autoritatem rei transferant judicate, tandem iidem parochiani post processum varios super executione condemnationis & decreti predictor' autoritate nra fact' coram nro vicario (nobis tunc in remotis agentibus) in spiritualibus generali sufficienter postea comparentes de stando alte & basse ordinationi nre tam super contributione hujusmodi facienda quam pro variis inobedienciis suis & contemptibus in hac parte tactis sacrosanctis evangeliiis corporaliter juraverunt & se ad hoc faciendum sponte & simpliciter submiserunt. Nos siquidem Johannes archiep'us supradictus, ponderatis undique ponderandis, taliter ordinamus quod dicti parochiani apud Herne ut premititur inhabitantes dictis condemnationi & decreto pareant cum effectu, ac constructioni & reparationi & alijs dicte ecclesie necessitatibus una cum ceteris parochianis ejusdem sicut & illi juxta sufficientiam personarum & quantitatem facultatum suarum futuris contribuunt temporibus quotiens opus erit & eos ad hoc faciendum per censuras ecclesiasticas decernimus fore canonice compellendos, reservantes nobis punitionem dictorum parochianorum pro ipsorum contumaciis, inobedienciis, & contemptibus supradictis. In quorum omnium testimonium sigillum nrum fecimus hiis apponi. Dat' apud Lambeth, 15 die Martii, A. D. 1335.

5. Confirmatio sententie suprascripte, dat' apud Cherryng, 16 kal' Nov', A. D. 1334, super sepultura tenentium dñi in capite apud Herne decedentium, per dñm Johannem de Stratford Cant' archiep'. Dat' apud Lambeth, 9 die Feb', A. D. 1339.

6. Johis Stratford Cant' archiep'i mandatum super executione sententie olim late pro vicario de Reculvre contra vicar' de Herne super oblationibus datis & missis in funeribus tenentium capital' dñi archiep'i apud Herne decedentium celebratis. Dat' apud Cantuar', 15 kal' Maii, A. D. 1341.

7. Compositio facta inter parochianos eccl' de Reculvre & parochianos eccl' de Herne, Sti Nicholai, & Omnium Sanctor', super reparationibus eccl' de Reculvre.

Memorandum quod inter nos parochianos ecclesie de Reculvre Cant' dioc' ex parte una, parochianos ecclesiar' seu capellar' de Herne & Sancti Nicholai & Omnium Sanc-

Sanctorum ab eadem ecclia de Reculvre dependentium, supra quota seu quantitate & modo contributionis faciend' constructioni & reparationi ipsius ecclie de Reculvre & aliis necessitatibus ejusdem per dictos parochianos de Herne, Sancti Nicholai, & Omnium Sanctorum, ad quam contributionem (ut premittitur) faciendam per commissarium ven' patris dñi Johannis Dei grā Cant' archiepi totius Anglie primatis nuper fuerant rite & legitime condemnati, mota fuissent discordia et materia questionis, tandem comparentibus coram nobis Thoma de Cantuar' commissario Cant' generali in eccl' Christi Cant', 6 Idus Junii, anno Domini 1336, omnibus parochianis de Reculvre, Herne, Sancti Nicolai, et Omnium Sanctorum predict' pro bono pacis et concordie inter eosdem in premissis habendo, per nos commissarium predict' de ipsorum autoritate et expresso consensu ita extitit ordinatum, quod singuli oboli de singulis acris terrarum parochianorum omnium predictorum infra dictas parochias existentium solverentur, colligerentur, & expendantur hac vice in reparationem dicte ecclie de Reculvre necessario faciend', et quod sex viri fide digni electi et nominati per parochianos predict', videlicet, Joñes Love et Joñes Hugelot de parochia de Reculvre per parochianos ejusdem, Joñes de Helwoldyng et Joñes Baker de parochia de Herne per parochianos ejusdem, Joñes Leneye et Joñes Stroder de parochia Sancti Nicholai & Omnium Sanctorum per parochianos ejusdem, eque, fideliter, et juste taxarent quemlibet parochianum de Reculvre, Herne, Sancti Nicolai, et Omnium Sanctorum, juxta quantitatem terrarum suarum in ejusdem parochiis existentium et numerum acrarum eorundem de singulis obolis supradictis, et pecuniam juxta taxationem hujusmodi quemlibet concernentem ab eisdem exigerent levarent et colligerent, ac custodibus operis ecclie de Reculvre predict', vidit, Johi Sewale et Simoni Love plene et integraliter solverent in reparationem ejusdem necessariam per dictos custodes fideliter et utiliter convertendam; dictique custodes pecuniam hujusmodi per ipsas receptam periculo eorum custodirent, et prout opus erit in reparationem ejusdem ecclie fideliter expenderent, et fidelem computum inde redderent omnibus quorum interest cum super hoc essent congrue requisiti; ad quod bene et fideliter faciend' tam dicti sex viri per dictos parochianos ut premittitur electi seu nominati quam custodes operis antedicti quatenus ad ipsos pertinet juramentum ad sancta Dei evangelia per ipsos tacta corporaliter prestiterunt. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum officii nri presentibus apposuimus. Dat' Cantuar', 4 kal' Julii, anno supradicto.

8. Instrumentum continens libellum et sententiam per commissarium Cant' latam pro vicario de Reculvre contra vicario de Herne super sepultura tenentium capitalis dñi archiepi in Herne infra eccl' paroch' de Reculvre decendentium, et inhibitionem commissarii predicti contra vicarium de Herne ne corpora predict' tenentium in eccl' de Herne sepelientur in futuro; necnon compositionem factam inter vicarios de Reculvre et Herne super missis pro animis defunctor' celebrandis, viz. quod vicar' de Reculvre oblationes ad primam missam, et vicar' de Herne oblationes ad secundam missam, recipiet. Dat' in eccl' Christi Cant', 4 die Mart', A. D. 1356.

9. Mandatum auditoris causarum prioris et capit' eccl' Christi Cant' (se'le Cant' vacante) contra vicar' de Herne, et condemnatio ejusdem ad solvend' vicario de Reculvre iv sol' ab eo receptis pro celebratione misse temporis sepulture Phil' And'

in cimiterio de Herne dum vixit capital' tenent' dñi archiep'i; et monitio eidem facta super observatione sententie olim per dñm Ricardum Cant' archiep' late contra vicar' de Herne olim in premiffis delinquent'. Dat' Cant', 2 id' Jan' A. D. 1333.

Conclusio predictæ Exemplificationis.

Nos vero Robertus commissarius Cant' supradictus attendentes hujusmodi supplicationem consonam fore juri litteras predictas pro parte dicti vicarii, in notariorum publicorum et testium subscriptorum presentia, ut premittitur, publice et judicialiter presentatas, recepimus, inspeximus, vidimus, perlegique et examinari fecimus diligenter. Et quia litteras hujusmodi reperimus in ea parte sanas, integras, ac omni vitio et suspitione carentes, eas per discretos viros magistrum Joñem Bedell consistorii Cantuariensis registrarium, et Ricardum Water dicti consistorii procuratorem, clericos Cantuar' dioc' notariosque publicos infrascriptos transcribi et copiari mandavimus, et eas sic transcriptas et copiatas in presenti publico instrumento de ipsis transcriptis fideliter in iura et dictorum notariorum et testium subscriptorum presentia legi et collationem fieri, dictasque litteras publicari fecimus ac etiam publici juris forma, et demum quia presentes litteras sic transcriptas litteris originalibus invenimus concordare, decernimus quantum in nobis est transcripto quod eisdem litteris originalibus tam in iudicio quam extra, etiam ubique, fidem plenam et indubiam fore adhibend'. In quorum omnium et singulorum fidem et testimonium presentes litteras publicum instrumentum per prefatos notarios scribi et publicari mandavimus, et sigillo officii nri appositione communiri. Dat' et act' Cantuar' tertio die mensis Decembris, sub anno 1389. Indictione 13 pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et Domini Domini Urbani divina providentia pape anno 12.

Hec Exemplificatio, cum sigillo valde oblitterato, hodie (A. D. 1756) remanet penes dec' & capit' Cantuar'.

Order of Abp. Iſip, 8 Id. Feb. 1355, directing that cex li. p an', due from the Archbithoprick to the Hospitals of Harbledoun and Northgate, should be paid for the future out of the church of Reculver.

From the Harbledown Charters.

OMNIBUS presentes tras visuris Simon pmissione divina Cantuar' archiep'us, tocius Angl' primas & aplice sedis legatus, salutem in Auctore salutis: Novit universitas v'ra qd cum pauperes hospitalium de Herbaldoun & de Northgate, tu ar' dioc', super & de elemosina Cant' archiep'or' fundator', ab olim necnon ab

* See Somner's Treatise of the Roman Ports and Harbours, p. 84, in edit. Oxon. 1693.

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omni tempore & presertim cujus contrarii memoria hōium non existit, de elemosina archiep̄or Cant' qui fuerunt centum & quadraginta libr', necnon de ecclia de Reculvre jam mense archiep̄ali aucte aplica novit' unita & rectoribus ejusdem, viginti libr' stirlingor', tam p̄ sustentatione sua & alior' infirmor' ad ipsa hospitalia confluencium quam aliis sibi incumbentibus oneribus comodus supportand' continue p̄cepissent: Principes insuper excellentissimi reges Angl' onus p̄stacōis dictar' centum & quadraginta libr' quotiens & quando sedes archiep̄ales vacasset, & temporalis dictor' archiep̄or' ea occasione seu alias in suis manibus jure regio extitissent pro temporibus quibus temporalia hujusque tenuerant agnovissent, & easdem centum & quadraginta libr' p̄ rata terminorum in eisdem vacacōibus seu temporibus quibus in eorum manibus temporalia predicta extiterint qualicumque currentium insuper persolvissent, ab omni tempore supradicto: Bone tamen memorie dñs Johnes de Stretford n̄r p̄decessor, conspiciens dictos pauperes supradictas p̄stacōibus nullam p̄baōem aliam quam possessionem p̄dcti temporis habuisse, que eis diversa afferebant incommodum singli archiep̄i in suis creacionum principiis pro suis conscientiis serenand' p̄baōes de antiquis temporibus exigebant; que sine magno ipsorum pauperum incommodo p̄r' expensas non modicas nequiverant expedire: Quodque contingencium vacacionum temporibus quandoque immo p̄rebus p̄ captanda solucōe predictę summe centum & quadraginta libr' ipsius p̄rem magnam & notabilem expendebant: Et quod magister Thomas de Astele, ultimus rector p̄dctę ecclie, quibusdam questis coloribus super p̄stacōe d̄carum viginti libr' molestacōes varias eisdem pauperibus intulisset: Volens pietatis intuitu dictis pauperibus ubius & utilis p̄spicere, & de p̄satis summis securitatem facere per quam possent d̄no quicquid famulari; & ne a quoquam successorum suorum impostum de eisdem possit quicquam in dubium revocari, p̄dctam eccliam de Reculvre, ut de fructibus ejusdem imperpetuum solverent, summe memorate, tam ad exonerationem archiep̄orum Cant' sede ipsa plena, quam nobilium regum Anglor' succedentibus vacacionum hujus temporibus, in recompensationem consensus regii in appropriatione p̄dicta & sub eadem condicione adhibiti sibi & mense sue archiep̄ali in perpetuum aucte aplica appropriari optinuit, & univit. Set idem pat' rēvendus ante finalem expeditionem securitatis hujus sicut Dño placuit ab hac luce migravit. Nos vero Simon archiep̄us p̄dctus sibi quamvis immeriti succedentes, considerantes hec ad laudem Dei, necessitatum pauperum p̄dictorum sublevacionem piissimam, de intencione purissima p̄cessisse: ipsius p̄ris cupientes studiofis inherere vestigiis; receptis p̄mit' super p̄missis omnibus actis in formacōibus atque veris, tractatu insuper cum capitulo n̄ro Cant' diligenti, eo p̄pterea, evocato, habito spiritualiter super p̄missis, causis p̄dctis discussis, & decreto p̄ nos interposito super eis, ad laudem Dei & quietem dictor' pauperum necessitatumque suorum relevacōem congruam, exonerationemque Cant' archiep̄orum de fructibus ecclie predictę memoratas summas vidl' ad centum & sexaginta libr' se extendentes, per nos & successores n̄ros ipsa sede plena, & ipsa sede vacante per manus eorum qui fruct' & emolumenta dicte ecclie & capellarum eidem annexarum sunt percepturi, juxta distincionem inferius annotatam quamdiu mense archiep̄ali appropriata duraverit, fore decernimus in perpetuum exsolvend': Ad quarum quidem solucōem quatuor anni temporibus p̄equales porciones; vidl', festis S̄ci Martini in yeme, purificationis beate

beate Marie virginis, apostolor' Phi & Jacobi, & S̄ci Petri quod dicitur ad vincula, de fructibus ecclie p̄d̄e, quamdiu sic unita mente archiep̄ali fuerit s̄d̄idelit' faciend', deliberac̄oe provido p̄optenta de consensu p̄d̄ci capilli n̄ri, p̄pt' causas p̄d̄as, & utilitatem archiep̄atus evidentem, obligamus d̄cam eccliam de Recolvre sic mente s̄re archiep̄ali ut p̄mittit' unitam, nos eciam & successores n̄ros, p̄fatis hospitalibus & pauperibus in eisdem degentibus, & que sibi succedent in perpetuum, quocumque nomine censeant, prefata vero a propriatione qualiscumque cessante seu, quod absit, revocata, vel qualiscumque dissoluta, decernim' volum' & eciam ordinamus, quod temporalia dicti archiep̄atus ad soluc̄oem dictarum centum & quadraginta libr' & p̄fata ecclia de Recolvre ad soluc̄oem viginti libr' sicuti p̄mitus fuerant, redeant & remaneant onerata, hospitaliaque predicta & pauperes tunc degentes in eis quocumque nomine censeant, ad jus suum p̄cipiendi & habendi dictas summas ut p̄fert' redeant antiquum, & eo extunc libere utant' & gaudeant', sicut ante ipsius ecclie unionem & appropriac̄oem p̄missis uti solebant qualiscumque seu gaudere, dicta appropriac̄oe & tempis fluxu non obstantibus, nec impedimentum afferentibus quovismodo: Et ne p̄pt' mortem archiep̄orum diversis temporibus decedencium de soluc̄oe in p̄fatis t̄mis facienda dubium aliquod oriat': Volumus & ordinamus quod quicumque archiep̄us post p̄ceptos p̄ eum annales fructus d̄ce ecclie & capellar' eidem annexar' post festum S̄ci Mich̄is & ante festum Pasch' tunc p̄x' sequens ex nunc decessit, quod ipse & executores sui ad p̄stac̄oem dictar' summar' quatuor t̄mis dictam p̄ceptōem immediate sequentibus integralit' teneat', liceatque priori dicti capituli qui fuerit fructus dumtaxat in dicta ecclia & ejus capellis existentes tempore mortis sue si ad soluc̄oem p̄dictar' suffic̄e p̄sint summarum: Alioquin cetera bona dicti archiep̄i ubicumque existentia usque ad concurrentem quantitatem p̄ ipsius t̄mis a retro existent sequestrare & sub arto custodire sequestro, quousque dictis pauperibus de prefatis summis fuerit integralit' satisfactum: Si vero archiep̄us hujus post festum Pasche & ante festum S̄ci Mich̄is p̄x' tunc sequens decessit, cum in hoc casu de consuetudine ecclie Cant' notor' fructus majores & autumpnales ejusdem anni ad ipsum p̄tinere debent: si ejus executores fructus ecclie & capellarum hujus juxta consuetudinem ipsam integre p̄cepiunt: & de eis habuerint facultatem libam disponendi, ad soluc̄oem pro quatuor t̄mis p̄ceptōem hujus immediate sequentibus quatenus fructus hujus ad hoc se extenderint & non ultima, insuper defuncti archiep̄i nomine teneant': Quod si soluc̄oem hujus non fecerint, liceat tunc dicto priori, si vacatio ipsa usque ad p̄ceptionem fructuum hujus duraverit, porcionem fructuum ecclie p̄dicte d̄cm defunctum contingentem & nulla alia bona dicti defuncti sequestrare & sub arto similiter custodire sequestro: quousque de dictis summis p̄ t̄mis hujus debitis, ipsis pauperibus fuerit integraliter satisfactum. Et si porcio dictum defunctum contingens non sufficiat, residuum de porcione futuri pontificis suppleat': Nostre tamen intencionis non existit', quod si sede plena temporalia dicti archiep̄atus quacumque occasione ad manus regias applicent': ita quod archiep̄m de spiritualibus vivere & regi opteat, p̄ tempore hujus eolam ad solucionem aliquam dictis pauperibus faciend' archiep̄us qui p̄ tempore fuerit aliquantit' teneat': Set in eo casu temporalia sicut ipsius remaneant oñata. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum fecimus hiis apponi. Dat' apud Outesford, viii idus Febr', anno D̄ni Millesimo trecentesimo quinquagesimo quinto, & nostre consecrationis septimo.

Copy of the Mortmain of the lands in Reculver and dyverse other placys, 1426.

From the Harbledown Private Deeds.

HARY be the grace of God kyng of Ingelond and of Fraunce, and lorde of Erllond, to all peple in hoys p̄sent lettē behyt knowen sendyth gretynge. Knowe ze þ' w^t we schull take wel beloved to us in Crist ̄ brodryn and sulsteryn of the hospitall of Herbaldowne schal have of the gestys of dyvse p̄sonys to hem anastyd astyr þe statute of þe londye ̄ þe tenement to þe hondys of þe mortemēt and not put fro but endryd thoo mesuagys v schopys en gardyn xxx acris ̄ to by the pecis of lond on zerde of wode ̄ xxv schelynges ̄ the halfin dell of an fferdyng of rente, and rente zeklynge of a quat' of berr'*, ̄ an henne ̄ half a certell ̄ þe 111 parte of a certell, and xl of eggs w^t hys p̄tinance in Reculvre and Herne, Herbaldowne, Goodneston, suburbz of Cantūburi, Westgate next Cantūburi ̄ in the Ilde of Herteye de whyche of us schul not holde in fee ̄ is wurth be zer en schellynges; that ys to seye, of John Roper of Westgate on mesuage and 111 schopis in the parsche of Seynt Dunstanys in þe sayde towne of Westgate; of Thomas Inglot on mesuage ̄ on a gardine in the parsche of Seynt Paulys in suburbz forsayde; of John Eldyng of Westgate 11 schoppis in þe forsayde parsche of Seynt Dunstanys; of Solomon But 111 acris of londe in Reculve; of Richard Lucas on acre of lande in Herne; of Thomas Fog, knyht, 111 acris ̄ on zerde of londe ̄ an half in Herbaldowne; and of Richard Mellar on pece of londe in Goodneston; of Phylipp Northwoode xx schelynges of rente comyng of divse londis ̄ tenements in that forseyde towne of Herne; of John Sewale 11 schelynges of rents, and of zefte of 11 aer' of londe ̄ half in þe forsayde towne of Herne; of John Harewell of Goodneston vi pence of rente and of a mesuage in Goodneston; of Willyam Ive, John Halle of Sandwyche, and William Buttone of ho Osprenge 1111 schelynges and vi pence, and the half of a fferdyng of rente, and rente of two certellis, and the 111 parte of a certell, and an henne ̄ an half, and xv egeys of divse tenements in the lende of Hestaye; of John Ainyngbury and Alice his wyff, William Gybbard ̄ Walt' Pymme rente of a quart' of ber', and too acris of londe in Herne, in the same mesuage, schopas, gardine, londe, woode, ̄ rente forsayd to hem so þe date aft' þe statuyt forsayd in growyng have bene our licence or for our p̄genitors upon these schal nayt be w^ddrawe: We, of our grace speciale ̄ of our supplication of the forsayde brodryn ̄ fofstyn be þe zettys of the same brodryn ̄ fofstyn trespas contemptys be hem in þ' parti made, in also moche as in us p̄tynes of occasyon forsayde, and surdyemor', of eny opr in our grace we have zeve ̄

* Quarter of barley.

ygrauntyd

ygrauntyd & yconfermyd how moche in yow is be þe same brodryn & sostyn mesu-
 agis, schopys, gardins, londs, wode, & rente forsayde with hys pynēce havynge &
 holdynge in pece to hem & tho here successoris for evermore, w'oute ony pedymēt
 of oure heyerys or of oure mynystry, or of mynystry of oure heyerys wheresoū
 eū hit be. In hijs witnesse hewr lettʳs ben' made we have made parente. Wyt-
 nesse me hymself at Westm' þe xiiii daye of Junii de zere renyng of oure kyng xiiii
 zere.

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HENRICUS Dei gratia rex Anglie & Francie & dominus Hibnie, omnibus ad
 quos presentes litere pervenerint salutem. Sciatis quod cum ut accepimus
 dilecti nobis in Christo fratres & sorores hospitalis de Herbaldoune habeant, & prede-
 cessoris sui habuerunt, de donis diversar' personar' eis factis post statutum de terris
 & tenementis ad manum mortuam non ponend' editum, duo mesuagia, quinque scho-
 pas, unum gardinum, triginta acras & duas parvas pecias terre, unam rodam bosci,
 viginti & quinque solidatas & medietatem unius quadrantate redditus, & redditum
 unius quarterii ordeii, unius galline, & dimid' unius sarcelle * & tertie partis unius sar-
 celle, & quadraginta covor' cum pertinenciis in *Recolvre, Hierne, Herbaldoune, Gwode-*
ston, suburbiis Cantuarie, Wellgate juxta Cantuar', & Insula de Hertaye, que de
 nobis non tenentur in capite, & valent per annum centum solidos; videlicet, de
 Johē Roper de Westgate unum mesuagium & tres shopas in parochia Sēi Dunstani,
 in predicta villa de Westgate; de Thoma Inglot unum mesuagium & unum gardi-
 num in parochia Sēi Pauli, in suburbiis predictis; de Johē Yelding de Westgate
 duas shopas in predicta parochia Sēi Dunstani; de Salomone But tres acras terre in
 Recolvre; de Ričo Lucas unam acram terre in Hierne; de Thoma Fogg chivaler
 tres acras & unam rodam terre & dimid' in Herbaldoune; de Ričo Mellere unam
 peciam terre & unam rodam bosci in eadem villa; de Willo Morteone & Johanna
 uxore ejus tres acras terre in eadem villa; de Robto Dodyngton unam peciam terre
 in Guodneston; de Pko Northwode viginti solidatas redditus provenientes de diversis
 terris & ten' in predicta villa de Hierne; de Johē Sewale duos solidos redditus exeun-
 tes de duabus acris terre & dimid' in predicta villa de Hierne; de Johanne Narnhell
 de Gwodneston sex denariatas redditus exeuntes de uno mesuagio in Gwodneston;
 de Willo Yoe, Johē atte Hall de Sandwych, & Willo Bottone de Osprenge, qua-
 tuor solidatas & sex denariatas ac medietatem unius quadrantate redditus, & reddi-
 tum duar' sarcellar' ac tercię partis unius sarcelle, unius galline & dimid' & quin-
 decim ovor' exeunt' de diversis tenementis in Insula de Herteye; de Johē Aryng-
 burge, juniore, & Alicia uxore ejus, Willo Gilbert, & Waltero Symme, redditum

* The only sense of *sarcellus* and *sercellus* in the Glossaries is the sign of an hosp, indicating that
 wine is sold at the house: where it hangs out. Q. If it can bear that sense here?

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unius quarterii ordei exeunt' de una grangea & uno stabulo ac duabus acris terre in Hierne; & eadem mesuagia, shopas, gardinum, terram, boscum, & redditum predicta, sibi sic data post statutum predictum ingressi fuerint, licentia nostra aut progenitor' nostror' super hiis non optenta: Et nos, de gracia nra speciali, & ad supplicationem predictor' fratrum & sororum, pardonavimus eisdem fratribus & sororibus transgressiones, contemptus, & forisfacturas per ipsos in hac parte factos, & quicquid ad nos pertinet occasione predicta. Et ulterius, de uberiori gratia nostra, dedimus, concessimus, & confirmavimus, quantum in nobis est, eisdem fratribus & sororibus, mesuagia, shopas, gardinum, terram, boscum, & redditum predicta, cum suis pertinentiis; habend' & tenend' quiete sibi & successoribus suis imperpetuum, absque impeticoe nri, heredum vel ministrorum nostrorum, sive ministror' heredum nror' quorumcumque. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westm', tertio decimo die Junii, anno regni nri tertio decimo. Per breve de privato sigillo.

WAKE.

Abp. Stafford's Grant to John Pawlyn, of divers Escheats at Reculver, &c.

From the Register of that Archbishop.

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint Johannes* permiss' divina Cant' archiep' totius Anglie primas & apostolice sedis legatus salutem in Dño sempeternam. Noveritis nos concessisse dilecto & fideli servienti Johi Pawlyn pro bono & laudabili servicio nobis & ecclesie nre Cant' multipliciter impenso quandam escaetam apud Reculver ad manus nras devenientem per mortem Johis Clere, alteram escaetam ad manus nras similiter devenientem per mortem cujusdam mulieris vocat' Lap' Wyncheslove, sex acr' terre in Rolling que ad dictas manus nras devenerunt ut escaet' per mortem Johanne que fuit uxor Michaelis Downer, duas pecias terre vocat' Hunterstonde in Tenterden, & unum messuagium in Senitmaurchè que ad dictas manus nras devenerunt similiter ut escaeta; habend' & tenend' omnia predict' escaet' terras & messuagium cum eorum redditibus & proficuis quibuscunque prefato Joh' Pawlyn, heredibus & assignatis suis, a dat' presentium usque ad finem quadraginta annorum extunc prox' sequentium & plenarie complet' absque aliquo nobis vel successoribus nostris inde reddend' per presentes. In cujus, &c. Dat' apud Lambeth, XVI Nox. Anno Domini MCCCCXLV.

* Abp. Stafford 1443—1452, lord chancellor and lord treasurer.

INCUMBENTS of RECVLVER.

	INCUMBENTS.	REGISTERS.
	RECTORS.	
	Hugh occurs rector, between 1171 and 1184 (see p. 129.)	
1299, 8 Mar.	John de Langeton, rector, (see p. 119)	Winchelsey, f. 274. b.
1310.	Nicholas Tyngewicke, rector, and the first vicar. (see pp. 78, 136.)	Ibid. f. 39.
	VICARS.	
1351, 8 May.	John de Islip, Thomas Newe *. See p. 157.	Islip, f. 260. b.
1356, 14 July.	Hugh Power †, on the resignation of Niewe.	Ibid. f. 273. a.
1361, 25 Oct.	William de Blytheworth, on the death of Power.	Ibid. f. 292. b.
1376, 8 Oct.	Richard Skeene, by exchange with Blytheworth.	Sudbury, f. 119. a.
1384, 2 Oct.	John Langham, by exchange with Richard Skeene.	Courteney, f. 255. a.
1386, 23 May.	Thomas Attkyn, on the resignation of John Langham.	Ibid. f. 265. a. b.
1387, 18 Oct.	John Montagu, on a legal vacancy.	Ibid. f. 267. b.
1392, 3 Aug.	John Bedell, alias de Sancto Dionysio, by exchange with Montagu.	Morton, Dene, Bouchier, and Courteney, fol. 205. b.
1392, 11 Oct.	John Bradley, on the death of Bedell.	Ibid. fol. 207.
1393, 15 June.	Robert Langton, on the resignation of Bradley.	Ibid. fol. 212.
1402, 24 Nov.	John Bulwyk, by exchange with Langton.	Arundel, vol. I. fol. 292.
1403, 13 Jan.	William Wenlyston, by exchange with Bulwyk.	Ibid. fol. 292. a.
1414, 3 Jan.	John Spifer, on the death of Wenlyston.	Chicheley, vol. I. f. 62. b.
1416, 10 Dec.	John Palmere, by exchange with Spifer.	Ibid. fol. 80. b.

* He resigned it for the rectory of Aldington, and was also rector of Godmerston. See p. 127. He founded two chantries at Reculver, and another at Hothe, in 1354; and a fourth at Harbledown in 1371. See p. 157.

† In 1357 Thomas de Astele is mentioned as "ultimus rector;" see p. 149.

INCUMBENTS.

REGISTERS.

VICARS.

- 1421, 3 Aug. Henry Befet, by exchange with Pal- Ibid. fol. 128. a.
mere.
- 1431, 14 Mar. John Whitinge, on a legal vacancy. Ibid. fol. 194. b.
- 1433, 20 Jan. John Fournes, by exchange with Ibid.
Whitinge.
- 1449, 9 Oct. — Kelsey, on the death of Fournes. Stafford and Kemp. fol. 101.
- 1452, 17 Dec. John Cooke, on the resignation of Ibid. fol. 322.
Kelsey.
Thomas Thorp.
- 1479, 17 Nov. John Bedell, on the death of Thorp. Bourchier, fol. 122. b.
- 1482, 8 Feb. John Nutkin, on the resignation of Ibid. fol. 132. a.
Bedell.
- 1495, 29 April. Leonard Eglesfeld, on the resignation Morton, Dene, Bourchier,
of Nutkin. and Courteney, fol. 158. a.
- 1519, 25 June. John Penyton, M. A. Warham, fol. 368. a.
Lawrance Miller, on the death of
Penyton.
- 1556, 12 July. Thomas Hewitt, on the death of Miller. Pole, fol. 69. a.
- 1560, 10 May. William Vele, on the resignation of Parker, vol. I. fol. 343.
Hewitt.
- 1575, 11 Feb. Joshua Hutton, by lapse, on the Ibid. vol. II. fol. 118. a.
presentation of the Queen.
- 1584, 4 Jan. William Baldok, on the resignation of Whitgift, vol. I. fol. 457. b.
Hutton.
- 1594, 18 Jan. Robert Hunt, on the death of Ibid. vol. II.
Baldok.
- 1602, 5 Oct. Barnabas Knell, on the resigna- Ibid. vol. III. fol. 272. b.
tion of Hunt.
- 1661, 5 Sept. Robert Goddin, M. A. on a Juxon, fol. 127. b.
legal vacancy.
- 1672, 29 Oct. Henry Hughes, B. A. on the death Sheldon, fol. 252. b.
of Goddin.
- 1679, 10 April. Alexander Innes, M. A. on a legal Sancroft, fol. 377. b.
vacancy.
- 1688, 22 April. Theophilus Beck, on the resignation Ibid. fol. 385.
of Innes.
- 1688-9, 15 Mar. Adam Reeves, M. A. on the resign- Ibid. fol. 427. a.
nation of Beck.

VICARS.

REGISTERS.

1695, 7 Mar.	Francis Green*, on the death of Reeves.	Tillotson, fol. 159. b.
1716, 6 Mar.	William Squire †, M. A. on the death of Green.	Wake, vol. I. fol. 299. b.
1726, 17 Nov.	Peter Vallavine †, LL. B. on the resignation of Squire.	Ibid. vol. II. fol. 235. b.
1729, 24 Oct.	Thomas Clendon †, M. A. on the resignation of Vallavine.	Ibid. fol. 235. b.
1757, 26 Aug.	Thomas Thompson §, M. A. on the death of Clendon.	Secker.
1762, Feb.	Anthony Lukyn **, B. A. on the resignation of Thompson.	Ibid.
1779, 13 Feb.	Richard Sandys ††, on the death of Lukyn.	Cornwallis.
1782, 16 April.	Richard Morgan, on the death of Sandys.	Ibid.

* See p. 125.

† Resigned this vicarage for that of Herne. See p. 160.

‡ Also vicar of Monckton, afterwards one of the minor canons of Canterbury cathedral, and vicar of Preston near Wingham, for which he resigned Reculver. Died in 1767.

|| Also vicar of Sturry.

§ Resigned this for the vicarage of Elham, where he died in 1773. He was also one of the first preachers in Canterbury cathedral, and had been missionary on the Coast of Africa; in defence of which inhuman and unchristian traffic he published a pamphlet in 1772, intitled, "The African trade for Negro Slaves shewn to be consistent with the Principles of Humanity, and with the Laws of Revealed Religion."

** Afterwards M. A. holding with this vicarage, by dispensation, the united rectories of St. Mildred's and All Saints in Canterbury.

†† He married, March 27, 1781, the right hon. Lady Frances Alicia Aflong, relict of William Aflong, esq. and youngest sister to the earl of Tankerville. He had kept his terms and exercise for the degree of LL. B. at Cambridge; and died Feb. 27, 1782.

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R E C U L V E R C H A N T R I E S.

ORDNACIO cantarie in eccl' de Racolvere, directa Tho. Nyewe * de Wolton, rectori eccl' de Aldington, dudum vicar' eccl' paroch' de Raculvre, Cant' dioc'. Dat' apud Maghfield, 23 Mart', 1354. Regist. Ilip, fol. 104. a.

Condemnatio per mag' Will' de Wytteley, cancellar' et commissar' dñi archiep'i, in causa detentionis et subtractionis redditus eccl' de Racolvere, Will' Gilbert parochian' dicte eccle, comparentem omnes terras in paroch' de Racolvere et Chistlet dicte Cant' dioc' ad se per obitum Alicie de Brouke devolutas ex pia causa in XIII fol' et IIII den' annui redditus ad subsidium sustentationis unius capellani divina in eccl' de Racolvere pro anima dicte Alicie et animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum celebraturi imperpetuum rite et legitime esse onoratas; et petentem se in dict' XIII s̄ IIII d̄ solvend in eccl' de Racolvere in festis nativitat' Dñi et nativitat' S. Johannis Baptiste annis singulis capellano predicto sententialiter et diffinitiva condempnata. Dat' et Ocl' in eccl' paroch' de Maghfield, 8 kal' Maii, 1354. Regist' Ilip, fol. 114. a.

Confirmatio ordinationis trium cantariarum; duarum videlicet in eccl' de Reculver, et tertie in capella de Hothe eidem annexe, per Dñm Tho. Niewe rect' eccl' de Godmerham fundat'. Dat' apud Saltewode, 4 kal' Junii, 1371. Register Wytteley, fol. 45, a, b. 46, a, b.

Declaratio dñi archiep'i cujusdam clausule non residentie super ordinatione duarum cantariarum in ecclesia de Reculvre. Dat' Cantuar', 1 April. 1377. Register Sudbury, fol. 35. a. b.

Submissio Johis Oxendenne de paroch' de Wingham, Cant' dioc', propter subtractionem annui prestationis XIII s̄ IIII d̄ a capellano cantarie beate Marie in eccl' de Reculvre, ex eo quod ipse Johes Oxendenne certas terras et tenementa que olim fuerint cujusdam Will' Gilbert defuncti in parochiis de Chistlet et Raculvre ejusdem Cant' dioc' protunc habebat, possidebat, et occupabat; quas quidem terras et tenementa idem Johes Oxendenne adquisierat de heredibus sive executoribus vel feoffatoribus cujusdam Laurentii Buckvell defuncti. Quodque occupator et possessor quicumque dictar' terrar' et tenement' pro tempore existens unum annum redditum five unam prestationem sp̄ualem tresdecem solidorum et quatuor denariorum capellano cuicumque cantarie beate Marie in eccl' de Reculver fundat' et ad collationem propriam dñi Cant' archp' pleno jure spectantis pro tempore existenti solverit singulis annis imperpetuum absque contradictione aliqua in hac parte. Tamen idem Johes non ignarus dictar' terrar' et tenement' possessor et occupator prefatum annum reddit' de XIII s̄. IIII d̄. diu subtraxit et detinuit. Dat' apud Cant' 6 Junii, 1420. Register Chicheley, Pars 2. fol. 338. b. 339. a.

* In a MS. History of Eastbridge Hospital, by Nicholas Battely, M. A. it appears that this person was nominated master of that Hospital Dec. 18, 1351, and continued so till 1382. In different deeds he is called Thomas de Wilton, Thomas de Wolton, and Thomas Niewe de Reculvre. He is styled by Somner "vir verè insignis, rector ecclesiæ de Aldington, dudum vicarius ecclesiæ de Raculvre." See pp. 127. 154.

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The following Names of Incumbents of the Chantries at RECVLVER occur in the Archiepiscopal Registers at Lambeth.

	CHANTRY PRIESTS.	REGISTERS.
	William Drogby, chaplain of Trinity chantry.	Iflip, fol. 297. a.
1382. 4 Jan.	Thomas Webb, chaplain.	Courteney, f. 248. a.
1383. 27 Aug.	John Wengrave, by exchange with T. Webb.	Ibid. f. 251. a.
1384. 18 Nov.	John Cherchgate, by exchange with Wengrave.	Ibid. f. 255. a.
	Thomas Faunt.	
1425. 28 Julii,	William Caldewell, on the resignation of Faunt.	Chicheley, pars 1. 156. b.
	William Speere.	
1459. 8 March.	John Furbour, on the resignation of Speere.	Reg. Bouchier, f. 5. b.
1462, 16 Nov.	William Kirkeby, on the resignation of Fourbour.	Ibid. p. 856.
1464, 16 Feb.	Robert Ashford.	Ibid. fol. 90. a. b.
	Simon Flegard, by exchange with Ashford.	
1466, 3 Oct.	John Hunter, on the resignation of Flegard.	Ibid. fol. 94. a.
1466, 15 Jan.	Alex. Syddy, on a lawful vacancy.	Ibid. p. 94. b.
	John Bonaunteer.	
1480, 19 April.	Thomas Ballys, on the resignation of Bonaunteer.	Ibid. fol. 125.
1480, 8 Jan.	Simon Wareyn, on the resignation of Ballys.	Ibid. fol. 127. b. a.
1495, 19 April.	John Michell, on the death of Wareyn.	Morton, Dene, Bouchier, and Courteney, fol. 158. a.
1531, 18 Sept.	Thomas Dale, on the resignation of Michell.	Warham, fol. 405. b.
1538, 4 Julij.	Thomas Hewett, on the resignation of Dale.	Cranmer, fol. 365. a.

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I N C U M B E N T S O F H E R N E.

	VICARS.	REGISTERS.
1310.	Hugh de Godynestre *, first vicar.	Winchelsey, f. 30.
1321, 27 Oct.	Henry Rouhall, by presentation of Nicholas Tyngewicke.	Reynolds, f. 29.
1350; 7 Jan.	Richard Medeborne.	Ilip, f. 255. a.
1357, 15 Oct.	Will. Kac, on the resignation of Medeborne.	Ibid. f. 279. a.
	John Hawe.	
1376, 9 July.	Nich. de Farnham, on the death of Hawe.	Sudbury, f. 114. a.
— 28 Oct.	Roger Sutton, by exchange with Farnham.	Ibid. f. 119. a.
— 28 Oct.	John Chert, by exchange with Sutton.	Ibid. 119. b.
1376, 31 Dec.	Will. Graunt, by exchange with Chert.	Ibid. f. 123. a.
1393; 19 March.	Will. Goffe.	Courtney, in Morton, Dene, Burchier, and Courtney, f. 216. b.
1431, 10 Feb.	Henry Bassett, on a legal vacancy.	Chicheley, p. 1. f. 194. a.
1432, 5 May.	John Derby.	Ibid. 195. b.
1446, 12 Aug.	John Bedale, on the resignation of Derby.	Stafford, f. 90. a.
1464, 9 Oct.	Christopher Warmyngton, by exchange with Bedall.	Burchier, f. 89. b.
	Richard Bonaventure.	
1489, 2 July.	John Caton, on the resignation of Bonaventure.	Morton, Dene, Burchier, and Courtney, f. 146. a.
1511, 29 March.	Andrew Benstede, on the death of Caton.	Warham, f. 342. a.
1531, 14 Aug.	John Warren, on the resignation of Benstede.	Ibid. f. 405. b.

* This vicar is named in the endowment, but whether he succeeded to it is not certain.

	VICARS.	REGISTERS.
1538, 30 April.	Nicholas Ridley *, S. T. B. on the death of Warren.	Cranmer, 364. b.
1549, 16 Jan.	Tho. Broke †, clerk †.	Ibid. f. 410.
1562, 21 Dec.	John Brydges, on a legal vacancy.	Parker, 358. b.
1590, 5 Sept.	Richard Colfe, on the resignation of Brydges.	Whitgift, f. 488. b.
1613, 22 June.	Isaac Colfe, on the resignation of R. Colfe.	Abbot, 396. b.
1616, 19 Sept.	Jacob Colfe †, on the resignation of Isaac Colfe.	Ibid. 420.
1617, 12 Feb.	Tho. Harward, on the death of Jacob Colfe.	Ibid. 429. b.
1620, 2 March.	Alexander Chapman §, on the death of Harward.	Ibid. p. II. f. 326. a.
1629, 12 Sept.	Francis Ketelby, D. D. on the death of Chapman.	Ibid. p. III. f. 185. a.
1634, 11 Oct.	John Reader, on the resignation of Ketelby.	Laud, p. I. f. 310. a.
	John Webb, died 1689.	
1689, 16 Oct.	Will. Foache **.	Sancroft, f. 41. b.
1713, 4 Dec.	John Ramley, on the death of Foache.	Tenison, p. II. f. 219. a.
1724, 26 Oct.	Henry Archer, D. D. †† on the death of Ramley.	Wake, p. I. f. 333. a.
1726, 29 Oct.	William Squire, M. A. on the resignation of Archer.	Ibid. p. II. f. 235. a.
1739, 29 March.	Rob. Gascoyne ††, B. A. on the death of Squire.	Potter, f. 267. a.
1752, 4 Nov.	Henry Hall †††, M. A. on the resignation of Gascoyne.	Herring, f. 294. b.
1756, 7 July.	William Rogers §§, B. A.	Ibid.
1773, 12 Nov.	John Dancombe ***, M. A.	Cornwallis.

* Bishop of Rochester 1547, bishop of London 1550, martyred 1555. See p. 106.

† One of the six preachers in the cathedral.

‡ Per resignat' rev' pat' Nicholai Roffen' episcopi ejusdem vicarie commendatarii vacantem.

§ Third son of Dr. Richard Colfe, prebendary of Canterbury. See Wood's Ath. Ox. I. 257. II. 189. Fasti, 179, 180.

§ Also rector of Deal.

** Presented by the king, during Abp. Sancroft's suspension.

†† He quitted it for the rectory of Mersham.

†† He quitted it for the rectory of Evershot in Bedfordshire.

††† Mr. Hall resigned this vicarage on being presented to that of East Peckham in the same county, 1756, which he held with Harbledown. A particular account of him will be given in the History of the Hospitals of Harbledown and St. John's Northgate.

§§ Died Aug. 28, 1773.

*** The present incumbent, rector of St. Andrew's and St. Mary Bredman's, Canterbury, master of Harbledown and St. John's Hospitals, and one of the six preachers in the cathedral.

HERNE, CANTARIA B. MARIÆ.

CHANTRY PRIESTS.

REGISTERS.

	William Burke.	
1377, 3 non. Jan.	John Kyngg, on the resignation of Burke.	Sudbury, fol. 123. b.
1385, 28 Dec.	Nich. Crek, presb. John Robyn.	Courteney, fol. 259. a.
1440, 14 Oct.	Tho. Curteyse, on the resignation of Robyn.	Chicheley, p. 1. fol. 226. a.
1443, 19 March.	John Florens, on the resignation of Curteyse.	Stafford, fol. 76. b.
1460, 20 Aug.	Rich. Wyram.	Bourchier, f. 78. a.
1489, 4 Jan.	John Caton, on the resignation of Wyreham.	Morton, Dene, Bourchier, Courteney, f. 145. a. b.
	Richard ap Gryffythe.	
1506, 10 Oct.	Will. Mychill, on the resignation of Gryffythe.	Warham, f. 328. b.

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*** This Number contains Eight Plates, all regularly paged.

E R R A T A.

P. 73. l. ult. r. '1313, 7 Edward II.;' and in note †, for 'Robert Kilwarby,
r. 'Walter Reynolds.'

P. 77. l. 18. r. 'fig. 9.' And see the description corrected in p. 86.

P. 99. l. 6. r. 'Easter-Monday.' There is another fair at Broomfield in this
parish on Whitson-Monday.

P. 114. note *, r. 'Hunters-forstal.'

P. 128. l. 6. from bottom, r. 'Chilforstall' (from the cold), now Herne common.