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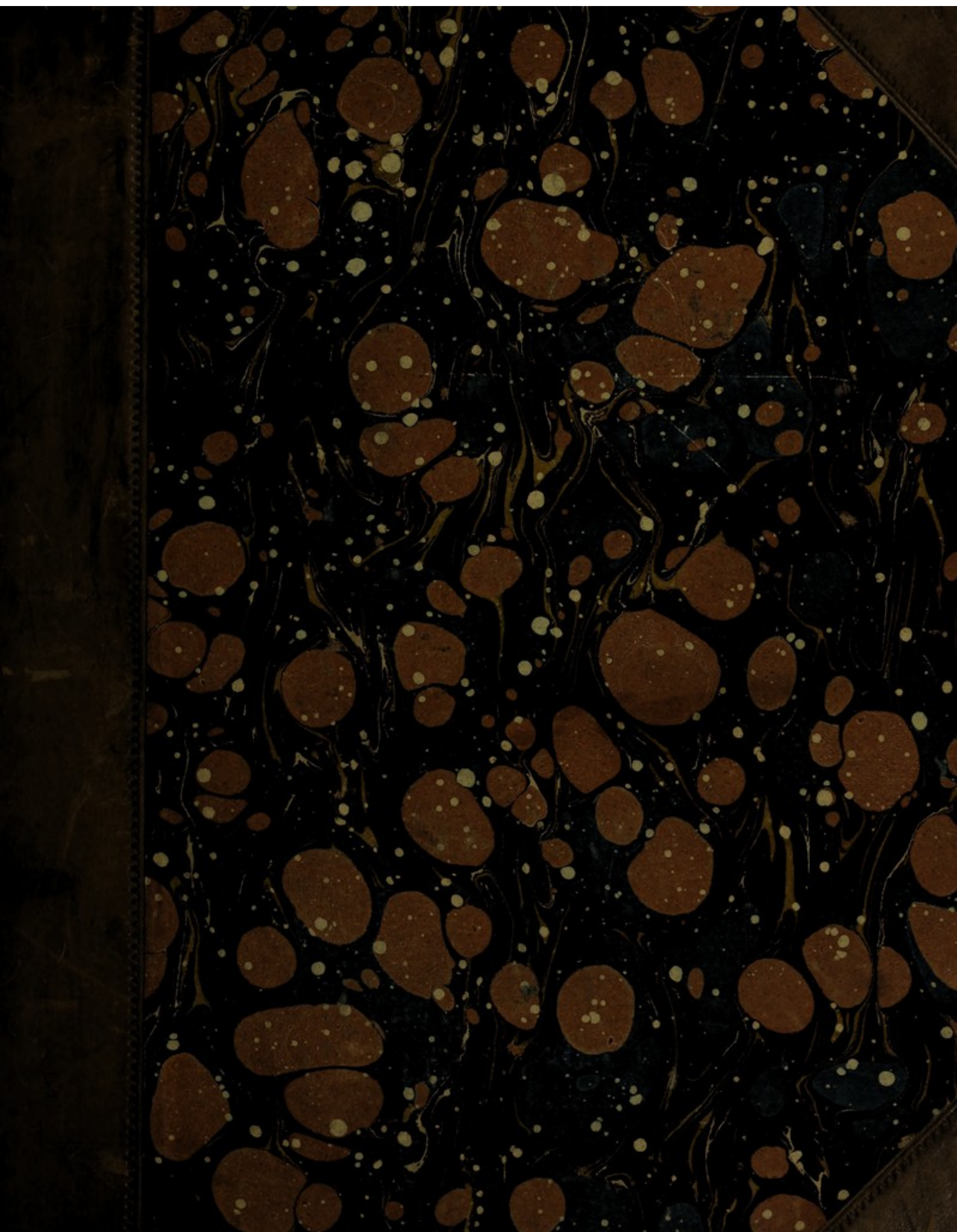
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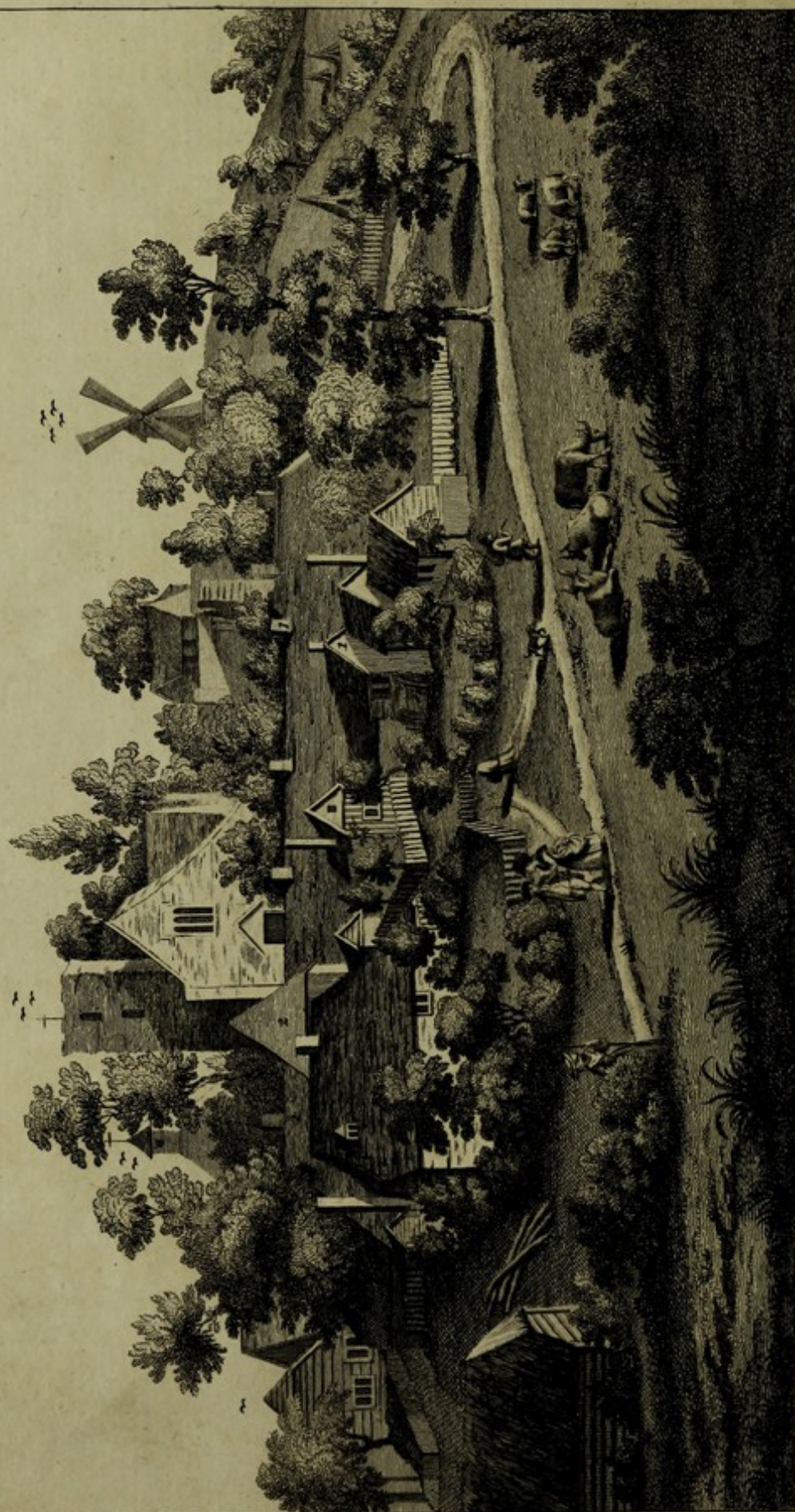
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Arthur Nelson del. 1786.

A View of St. Nicholas Hospital, Harbledown.

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Brotherhood Farm-house ~ Parish Church of St. Michael ~ Hospital Chapel ~ Hospital House ~ Hall or Farm-house

H E R B A L D O W N.

THE hospital of HERBALDOWN, that is, “the pasture-down, or the down of herbage or tillage*,” (commonly called HARBLE-DOWN), about a mile from the West gate of Canterbury, is dedicated to St. Nicholas, and was anciently situated in the Blean-wood, of which king Henry I. in one of their most ancient charters†, allowed the hospitallers to “grub and clear away ten perches of wood on all sides.” It was so styled, as Mr. Somner with reason supposes, “to distinguish it from the neighbouring hills, or downs, “as yet continuing wild or woody.” It was built, as was St. John’s, by archbishop Lanfranc, about the year 1084, and was originally intended for a lazaret-house, of which there were two others near Canterbury, St. James’s‡, and St. Laurence’s||, both, like this, without the city, from which all leprous persons were excluded. Instead of lands, he endowed each hospital with 70*l.* per annum, payable out of his manors of Reculver and Boughton under Blean, to which archbishop Richard, Becket’s immediate successor, about 1180, added 20*l.* more, payable out of the rectory of Reculver§: which 160*l.* or 240 marks (80*l.* to each) remained unaltered till the time of

* Somner’s Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 46. The spot where this hospital is situated has been remarked as peculiarly healthful; and it is well known that herbalists come regularly every year to collect medicinal plants that grow only on this particular spot.

† See p. 204.

‡ Or St. Jacob’s, founded before 1188, suppressed in 1551.

|| Founded in 1137 by Hugh the Second, abbot of St. Augustine’s, for the reception of the leprous of that abbey; suppressed in 1557. On the site of this now stands a mansion-house, the property of viscount Dudley, let to Mrs. Bridges. St. James’s was public. The frequency of the leprosy (so called) in those times, and its unfrequency in these, deserve investigation.

§ See p. 208. This charter is inserted in the History of Reculver, p. 129.

archbishop Kilwardby, who withdrew their stipend, and instead of it appropriated to them his parsonage of Reculver, with the chapels annexed*. But a tithery, and that so remote, being very inconvenient to such infirm and diseased people, his immediate successor, archbishop Peckham, revoked this grant, and restored the hospitals to their former state†. And this was confirmed by Edward I. in 1291‡. Archbishop Winchelsey, in 1298, gave them a body of statutes||; the first they had. But, having no written endowment, they were obliged, at the accession of every archbishop, to petition for the continuance of this customary allowance. At length, the parsonage of Reculver being held *in capite* of the king, Edward III. by his charter§, at the desire of archbishop Stratford, appropriated it to the archbishop's table, charged with the ancient stipend above-mentioned, which was afterwards secured to them by his successor archbishop Islip in a written charter**, 1355, confirmed by the prior and convent of Christ-church, by which, with very little interruption, it has been ever since peaceably enjoyed††. This was equally divided between the two hospitals, and was at that time a most liberal provision, but, from the gradual decrease of the value of money, it is now reduced to a very slender stipend. It, however, was very fortunate for them that Lanfranc did not endow them with lands, as he did his other foundation of St. Gregory; for their escape at the general suppression seems owing to their having no lands of value sufficient to tempt the rapacity of Henry VIII's courtiers. At different times their revenue has been

* One cannot but observe, 1st, how very large this endowment was so many hundred years ago; and 2dly, that it seems unaccountable, considering its present value, how the manor, or rectory, of Reculver could be adequate to such an expence, though much of it, we know, has been swallowed up by the sea.

† See the History of Reculver, p. 131.

‡ Ibid.

|| See p. 214.

§ See this also in the History of Reculver, p. 141.

** Ibid. p. 148.

†† Mr. Somner's successful application for the continuance of their pension in the last century is mentioned, p. 202.

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augmented by several other donations, some of which have been made to both hospitals conjointly, some to one alone. There do not appear to have been any other statutes previous to the time of archbishop Parker, who gave them, Sept. 15, 1560, the book of statutes by which both hospitals are at present governed, to which he made additions Aug. 20, 1565, and May 20, 1574*. Some additions have also been occasionally made by his successors, particularly archbishops Whitgift, Laud, and Sancroft†, as it seems to be in the power of any archbishop to make what alterations he may think proper in their number, government, or maintenance.

Among the ancient secular benefactors to Herboldown, Somner mentions Eilgar of Bourne, and John of Tonford, two neighbouring gentlemen; but the principal was king Henry II. (not III. as he supposes) who gave it 20 marks a year out of his fee-farm rents in the city of Canterbury‡, a large sum too at that time, which continues to be paid to this day by the chamberlain in half-yearly payments of 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* each. Total 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

Nothing remarkable is recorded of this hospital till it is thus introduced by Erasmus in his *Peregrinatio Religionis ergo*, 1510. “OG. In the road to London, not far from Canterbury, “is a way extremely hollow, as well as narrow, and also steep, “the bank being on each side so craggy that there is no escaping; “nor can it by any means be avoided. On the left side of that “road is an alms-house (*mendicabulum*) of some old men; one of “whom runs out as soon as they perceive a horseman approach- “ing, and after sprinkling him with holy-water, offers him the “upper-leather of a shoe bound with brass, in which a piece “of glass is set like a gem. This is kissed, and money given “him. ME. I had rather have an alms-house of old men “on such a road than a troop of sturdy robbers. OG. As Gra- “tian§ rode on my left hand, nearer to the alms-house, he was

* See p. 219.

† All these may be seen in the Appendix, pp. 220—225.

‡ See Appendix, p. 205.

§ Dr. John Colet, dean of St. Paul's, 1505—19.

“sprinkled with water; to this he submitted; but when the
 “shoe was held out, he asked what it meant. And being told
 “it was the shoe of St. Thomas, he was so provoked, that turn-
 “ing to me, ‘What! (says he) would this herd have us kiss the
 “shoes of all good men? they may just as well offer their spittle
 “to be kissed, and other bodily excrements.’ I took compassion
 “on the old man, and gave him some money by way of con-
 “solation.” *See Paper on Fly-Leaf for the Original Latin.*

There seem at present to be no remains of Lanfranc's building, except the church or chapel. The houses which the brothers and sisters inhabit, were rebuilt in the latter end of the last century, as will be mentioned hereafter. The church, which adjoins to the hospital, a large ancient structure, consists of a nave and two aisles, with a font, and a turret containing four bells*, having of old been the parish-church of St. Nicholas, Herboldown, and as such pays procurations to this day†. Some curious painted glass remains in the windows. In 1292 it was valued, as a parsonage, at nine marks per annum (more than most of the neighbouring livings), and accordingly the tenths were set at 12s. The ancient incumbent was a rector. To this church, and its presbyter, of St. Nicholas, archbishop Theobald granted, by charter, the tithes of his manor of West-gate: and thus improved, archbishop Stratford, in 1342, when he new-founded East-bridge hospital in Canterbury, by his charter appropriated to it this rectory‡, and in consequence Mr. Bridges, the lessee of that hospital now holds it, and repairs the chancel. But this having been also the church of the poor, or, as archbishop Parker says, “built for them by their founder Lanfranc,” Stratford in his charter obliged East-bridge hospital to provide them a chaplain. Instead of which, archbishop Wittlesey, in 1371, erected a

* Ringing being charged three times in the prior's account, 1709, 1s. each time, an order was made by the master, Mr. Paris, that “no ringing should be allowed on any account for the future.”

† See p. 183.

‡ See the appropriation of Eastbridge Hospital, p. 225.

perpetual chantry*, the priest of which resided at Clavering near the hospital. And this continued till the Reformation, when both chantry and chantry-priest were abolished; and the church continuing to the hospital†, prayers are read there once a week, and the sick occasionally attended, by a reader, so called, who at present is the rev. John Gostling, M. A. eldest son of the late worthy "Walker." The stipend is 8*l.* a year, and a house. The master, through whom petitions for corrodies are presented to the archbishop, and who has the care of both hospitals, under his grace, their patron and visitor, has no salary. The number of in-brothers and sisters in this hospital is 15 of each; besides which there is the same number of out-brothers and out-sisters, who have only a pension of 6*s.* a quarter. The number maintained in each hospital seems to have been variable. In 1398 there were in Herboldown about 80, in St. John's in 1375 there were 100, in 1464 there were 80, now there are 60 (in and out) of each, in all 120. By archbishop Winchelsey's statutes, no corrodies were allowed to any who did not reside in the hospital; nor is there any mention of out-brothers and sisters before archbishop Parker's statutes. These receive only their share of the archbishop's pension, and the other revenues of the hospital are divided among the resident members. The allowance of out-brothers and sisters was probably occasioned by the want of lodgings as well as the smallness of income. In Herboldown there are only 26 houses; in St. John's 31. They at first lived in the ancient conventual manner, and had their common halls for dining, and their dormitories for sleeping; but as the buildings fell to decay, and no provision was made for repairing them, the in-dwellers were necessarily obliged to be lessened. Of these one is annually chosen prior, whose principal office is to collect the rents, and one of the sisters

* See p. 183.

† Battely's Somner, p. 145.

prioresse,

priores, with some particular perquisites to each. The hospital stands (as described by Erasmus) on the South side of the London road, in the village, and adjoining to the parish, of St. Michael, Herboldown, and is pleasantly situated on the side of a hill, with a spring of fine water, called from ancient times "The Black Prince's Well." A West view of the hospital, chapel, &c. is annexed (see plate I.)

Its possessions were valued, 26 Hen. VIII. at 112*l.* 15*s.* 7*d.* in the whole, or at 109*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* per annum clear, including the archbishop's stipend of 80*l.*

Among the benefactions previous to those of this century, Mr. Somner devised by will an estate in Romney Marsh to this hospital, after the death of his son, in case he had no issue; but the son passed a fine, barred the entail, and defeated the benefaction.

October 24, 1674, the following account of this hospital was given to archbishop Sheldon: "The hospital of St. Nicholas, Herboldown, consists of 15 in-brothers, and as many in-sisters, who have 4*l.* apiece yearly, besides two loads of wood. Out-brothers and out-sisters in like number have yearly 1*l.* 14*s.* a piece. The whole revenue is 160*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.*"

In the same year (1674) the lodgings of the brothers and sisters of this hospital being ruinous, archbishop Sheldon gave 200*l.* and Mr. John Somner 50*l.* and in 1685 archbishop Sancroft gave 67*l.* and Dr. Thorp, prebendary of Canterbury, master of the hospital, 20*l.* by which benefactions chiefly those lodgings, together with the common-hall of the house, and the Brotherhood farm-house, were rebuilt, and the barns, stables, and out-houses repaired.

This is commemorated in a tablet hung in the hall, where the brethren and sisters have an annual feast (for which, in most of their leases, some payments, now inadequate, are reserved) on the name-day of their patron-saint (St. Nicholas) Dec. 6. In the hall also the members are admitted and sworn to the observance of
the

the statutes, and the ancient charters and other deeds are deposited in a strong chest. All these (as is more particularly mentioned p. 201.) were carefully examined, sorted, and labelled in both hospitals, and an account of them transmitted to archbishop Secker, in 1764, by the rev. Dr. Beauvoir, in a book which he entitled *Liber Hospitalium Archiepiscopi*, now preserved in Lambeth library, to which the compiler of this article has great obligations. The number (as may be seen in the appendix) is large, and the royal and archiepiscopal charters (in particular) very curious.

For the repairs of the buildings there is no allowance, but what is provided by the reparation-purse, which fund arises thus: From each person at admission a reparation noble, or 6s. 8d.; the stipend that accrues during each vacancy; 6d. a month from every non-resident, and 5s. seal money on sealing every lease. Several places also are kept vacant at Lambeth, and the stipend sent annually to the master, as a farther supply. By the statutes they are enjoined to repair their own houses, but from this they are now disabled by their poverty. Some late benefactions shall be recapitulated. Mrs. Elizabeth Lovejoy, of Canterbury, relict of the Rev. George Lovejoy, master of the king's school, by her will dated in 1694, among many other donations, gave to the mayor and commonalty of that city, her lease of Callis Grange, in the parish of St. Peter, in Thanet, held under the dean and chapter, in trust, to pay this hospital 5*l.* per annum, which is divided among the resident members. Ralph Snowe, gent. of Lambeth, steward to the archbishop, by his will dated in 1707 *, bequeathed each hospital 200*l.* in trust, with which archbishop Tenison purchased for this of Herboldown part of an estate at Mitcham in Surrey, which now lets for 12*l.* per annum clear. And archbishop Secker, by his will dated in 1769, left

* See p. 175.

them 500*l.* each in reversion, in 3 per cent. annuities, after the deaths of Mrs. Talbot and her daughter, both of whom being now deceased, the former dying Jan. 9, 1770, and the latter Jan. 19, 1784, aged 97, that devise, of which the present bishop of Chester is the surviving trustee, is expected soon to take place.

Among the original deeds belonging to this hospital is an old leathern case for holding some of them, of which a sketch is given in plate IV. fig. 9. inscribed "*En Dieu est tout.*"

And in the chest is a curious maple bowl, used on their feast days, of great antiquity, the rims of which are silver gilt; and in the bottom is fastened the medallion engraved in plate V. The story is evidently one of Guy earl of Warwick; the motto,

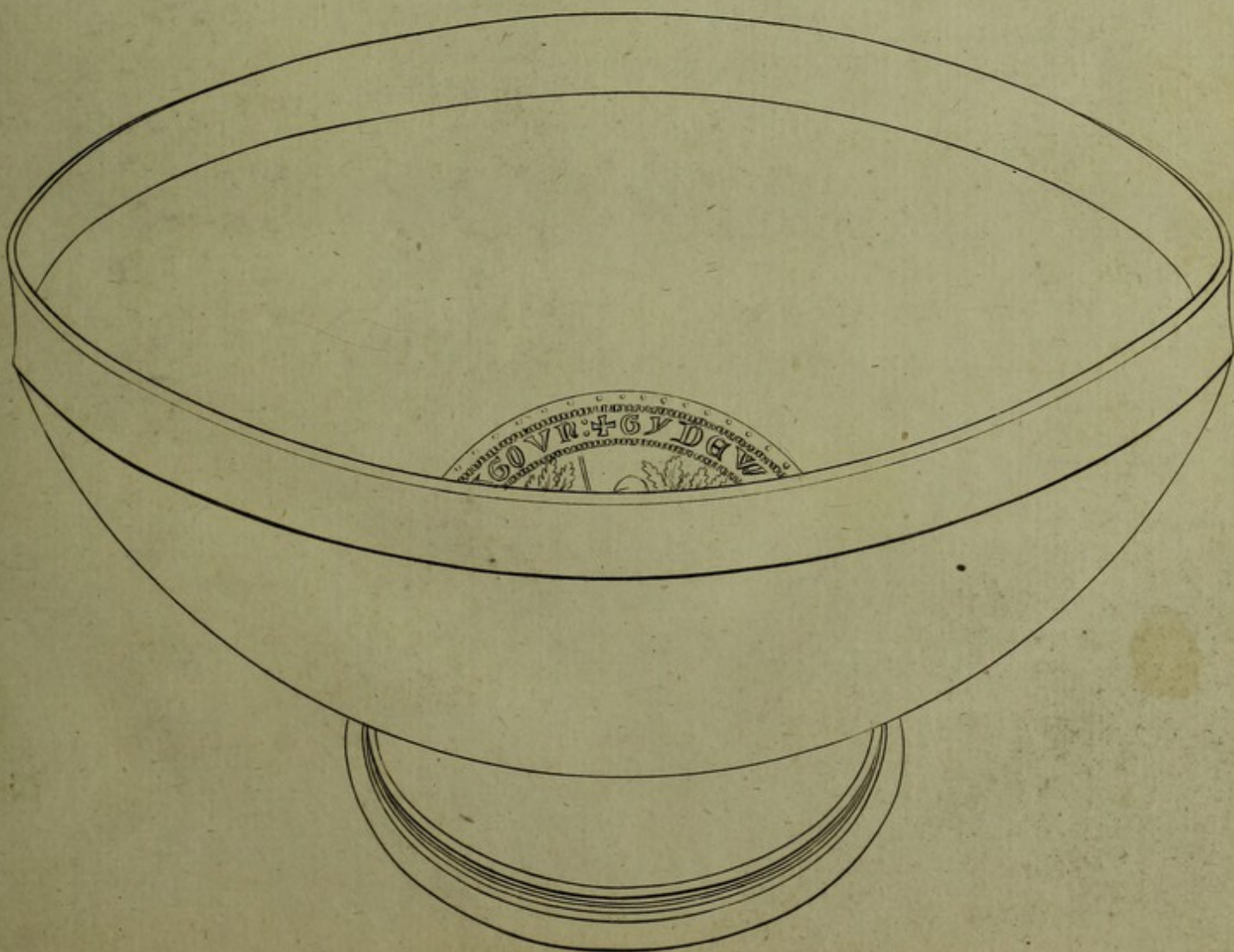
GY DE WARWYC : ADANOVN : FEEI OCCIS : LE DRAGOVN *.

John Shurley, in his "Renowned History of Guy earl of Warwick †," 4to, tells a story of his seeing a dragon and lion fighting together in a forest bordering on the sea, as he was returning to Europe from the relief of Byzantium. He determined to take up the conqueror; and after the lion was fairly spent, Guy attacked the dragon, and after many hard blows on his adamantine scales, spying a bare place under his wing, he thrust his sword in to the depth of two feet, and with a dreadful yell the dragon expired. No scene of action is assigned; but we suspect some real or fictitious place is concealed under the name of *Danoun*, perhaps for a rhyme sake, and then the inscription will signify that "Guy of Warwick at *Danoun* slew the dragon."

The hospital-seal is engraved in plate III. fig. 1.

* Some have thought that the third word may be *icci* or *yecci*, for "here;" some that the fourth may be *ADORVN*, "on the back of a roan horse," but that the letters evidently will not bear; and others that *DANOVN* might be the name of Guy's sword, as *Durindana* was that of Orlando, &c.

† This History has no date; but was "printed by A. M. for C. Bates and J. Foster," about the beginning of the present century.



The present revenue of this Hospital (1784) is as follows :

Paid Quarterly.			
	l.	s.	d.
The Archbishop's pension *,	80	0	0
Rents of lands and houses,	88	0	0
Half-Yearly.			
Rents, &c.	21	6	0
Pension from the city of Canterbury †,	13	6	8
Mrs. Lovejoy's legacy ‡,	5	0	0
Yearly.			
Rent of lands at Mitcham, purchased with Mr. Snowe's legacy §,	12	0	0
Two acres of wood (in hand) about,	12	0	0
Pension from the Exchequer †, (clear)	3	4	9 ³ / ₄
Fines for renewing leases, on an average,	10	0	0
Feast rents, and collected from the guests, usually about,	3	0	0
Annuities.			
Mr. Charles Palfrey, for land at Herne,	0	10	0
Lady Hardres's heirs, for Hardres meadow,	0	2	0
John Lade, Esq. for land at Grayney,	0	2	0
Total	248	11	5 ³ / ₄
Ded.	59	3	1
Clear	189	8	4 ³ / ₄

which is not 6l. 10s. each.

Disbursements.

To the reader, per ann **.	8	0	0
To three out-brothers and two out-sisters, at or near Canterbury, (paid quarterly).	6	0	0
To twelve out-brothers and thirteen out-sisters, at or near Lambeth ††,	30	0	0
Quit-rents, viz. to Westgate manor,	15	2	} 13 1
to Reculver,	3	4	
to Hall and Beverley,	12	5	
to Grayney,	0	10	
to the city of Canterbury,	1	4	
Towards the charges of the feast on St. Nicholas day, usually about,	3	10	0
Other expences, at least,	10	0	0
	59	3	1

* Of this 50l. is paid by the Archbishop's registrar, Mr. Delafaux, at Canterbury, and 30l. is reserved to pay the out-brothers and sisters at Lambeth.

† See p. 175.

‡ See p. 179.

§ Ibid.

† See p. 227.

** 8d. per quarter is reserved out of every stipend to make up this sum. The reader has also of late 2l. more for the rent of one of the houses.

†† See note * above.

List of Masters from 1702.

- Rev. George Thorp, D. D. prebendary of Canterbury.
 1708. — John Paris, M. A.¹. rector of St. Andrew's and St. Mary Bredman's, Canterbury.
 1709. — John Bradock, M. A. one of the six preachers.
 1711. — Elias Sydall, D. D.². prebendary.
 1731. — John Lynch, D. D.³. prebendary.
 1744. — Thomas Lamprey, M. A. rector of St. Martin's, and vicar of St. Paul's, Canterbury.
 1761. — John Head, D. D.⁴. archdeacon and prebendary.
 1770, Sept. 15. — John Duncombe, M. A. one of the six preachers.

The following Instruments relating to Herboldown are preserved in the Registers at Lambeth.

HEREBALDOUNE juxta Cantuar' Hospital'.

INJUNCTIONES a priore, priorissa, fratribus & sororibus dicti hospitalis observandæ; dat' in predict' hospitali, 6 kal' Mart' A. D. 1298. Reg. Winchester, fol. 69. a.

Mandatum dñi archiep'i super perceptione eleemosyne archiep'i; dat' Hospital' de Harbledown & de Northgate Cant' dat' apud Otteford, 3 id. Feb. 1355. Reg. Ilip, fol. 111 b. 112. a.

Confirmatio Roberti⁵ prioris eccl' Christi Cant' & ejusdem loci conventus litteræ precedentis; dat' in domo nra capit', 10 Feb. 1355. Ibid. 112.

A lease granted by Sam. Parker, D. D.⁶. Archdeacon of Canterbury, and Master of the hospital of Eastbridge, alias St. Thomas, in the City of Canterbury, of the tithes, &c. belonging to the Hospital of St. Nicholas Harbledown, within the bounds of Harbledown, to Simon Lowth⁷ of the parish of St. Cosmas and Damian in the Bleane in the County of Kent, for the term of 21 years; dat' 25 Dec. 1682. Reg. Sancroft, fol. 359. a.

Confirmatio Dñi archiep'i locationis prædict'; dat' 12 Sept. 1683. Fol. 360. a.

¹ Also master of Eastbridge Hospital.

² Dean 1728, Bp. of St. David's and afterwards of Gloucester, 1731.

³ Dean 1733—60.

⁴ Afterwards Sir John, Bart.

⁵ Robert Hathbrand, who died in 1370.

⁶ Bishop of Oxford, 1686.

⁷ See p. 186. note 1.

CHANTRY OF ST. NICHOLAS, HERBALDOWN.

REGISTERS-

- 1371, 4 Nov. Fundatio & Ordinatio Cantarie in Eccl' Wittleseye, fol. 51. b. 52. a
Scti Nich' in Hospitali de Herebal-
don * per D'n'm Wittleseye Cant'
Archiepiscopum; dat' apud Croydon,
- 1376, 24 Feb. John Halgheton. Sudbury, fol. 121. a.
- 1386, 16 Feb. John Vagge. Courtney, fol. 265. a.
Walter Setryngton.
- 1399, 3 Mar. John Martyn, on the resignation of Arundel, fol. 265. b.
Setryngton.
- 1400, 2 Jan. John Bray†, on the resignation of Ibid. fol. 273. a.
Martyn.
Thomas Barbour.
- 1426, 25 Jan. John Wellyng, on the death of Chicheley, p. I. fol. 167. a.
Barbour.
- 1429, 11 Oct. Hugh Nobul, on the resignation of Ibid. fol. 178. a.
Wellyng.
Walter Gilbert.
- 1468, 3 Sept. William Robert, on the resignation Bouchier, fol. 99. a.
of Gilbert.
Robert Lafungby.
- 1488, 27 Oct. Thomas Cottebery, on the resigna- Morton, Deene, Bouchier,
tion of Lafungby. and Courtney, fol. 136. a.
Thomas Porter.
- 1524, 30 Sept. George Hyggis, on the death of Warham, fol. 382. b.
Porter.

RECTORS OF ST. MICHAEL, HERBALDOWN.

From the Registers at Lambeth.

RECTORS.

REGISTERS.

- 1316, 6 Jan. Nicholas Burnell. Reynolds, fol. 19. a.
- 1324, 15 June. Edmund de Newenton, by exchange
with Burnell. Ibid. fol. 253. a.
Hugh de Birton.
- 1361, 10 Sep. John Lacey, on the resignation of Ilip, fol. 289. b.
Birton.

* Founded by Thomas Newe, rector of Godmersham, under the patronage of Abp. Wittlesey. See the History of Reculver, p. 157.

† The chantry-priest mentioned in the exemplification of Abp. Arundel, 18 May, 1402. See p. 211.

INCUMBENTS.

REGISTERS.

- 1361, 17 Dec. Robert Flemyng, on the resignation of Lacey. Ibid. 293. b.
- 1371, 10 Dec. William Savage. Wittleseye, fol. 88. a.
- John Montague.
- 1406, 30 Oct. Richard Hilley, by exchange with Arundel, fol. 311. b.
- Montague.
- 1410, 23 Oct. Matthew Edenham, on the death of Arundel, p. 2. fol. 60. a.
- Hilley.
- 1412, 15 June. John Orwell, by exchange with Ibid. fol. 64. a.
- Edenham.
- Richard Baron.
- 1422, 9 Feb. Walter Gorge, by exchange with Chicheley, p. 1. fol. 137. b.
- Baron.
- William Palmer.
- 1446, 18 Jan. William Cleve, B. A. on the death of Palmer. Stafford, fol. 91. b.
- 1448, 5 Nov. William Leake, on the resignation of Cleve. Ibid. fol. 98. a.
- Thomas Symond.
- 1470, 26 Feb. Edmund Lychefeld, on the death of Symond. Bouchier, fol. 103. a.
- Henry Barradon.
- 1493, 8 May Robert Curfon, M. A. on the death of Barradon. Morton, Dene, Bouchier, and Courtney, fol. 154. b.
- 1507, 2 April. Thomas Baschurche, on a legal vacancy. Warham. fol. 330.
- 1507, 30 Aug. John Thorndon*, Episcopus Cironen', on the resignation of Baschurche. Ibid. fol. 326. b.
- 1513, 28 March. Michael Vaughan, on the resignation of Thorndon. Warham, fol. 348. a.
- 1516, 9 Sept. John Oxley, by the cession or dismissal of Vaughan. Ibid. fol. 361.
- 1517, 3 Feb. Thomas Dodyng, on the resignation of Oxley. Ibid. 364. b.
- John Boneton.
- 1521, 12 April. Philip Taylor, on the resignation of Boneton. Ibid. 372. b.

* Or Thornden, D. D. and several times commissary or vice-chancellor of this university [Oxford], while Archbishop Warham was chancellor, viz. between the years 1506 and 1514, in which time he is often styled "Episcopus Syrynenfis" and "Syrymenfis" (perhaps the same with Sirmium in Hungary) as being a suffragan to the archbishop. He was prior of the black monks at Dover, and suffragan of Dover, 1508. Wood's Athen. Oxon. I. 654.

RECTORS.

REGISTERS.

- 1528, 10 May. Arthur Strewike, on the death of Ibid. 395. b.
Taylor.
- 1534, 16 Nov. Richard Crosse. Cranmer, fol. 353. b.
- 1557, 15 Nov. Robert Moubrey, on the death of Pole, fol. 74. b.
Crosse.
- 1562, 21 March. Robert Pownall, on the death of Parker, fol. 360. a.
Moubrey.
- 1571, 17 Sept. Henry Murrey, on the death of Ibid. fol. 406. b.
Pownall.
- 1579, 22 July. John Bridges¹, on the resignation of Grindal, fol. 526.
Murrey.
- 1589, 1 Sept. Andrew Peerfon², B. D. on the re- Whitgift, fol. 259. b.
signation of Bridges.
- 1594, 23 Nov. Francis Wormeal³, on the death of Ibid. p. II. 324. b.
Peerfon.
- 1596, 9 March. Robert Hemynges, M. A.⁴ on the Ibid. p. III. fol. 265. b.
death of Wormeal.
- 1601, 9 July. Humphrey Aylworth, B. D. on the Ibid. fol. 267. b.
death of Hemynges.
- 1601, 5 Feb. William Swift⁵, M. A. on the re- Abbot, p. II. fol. 340.
signation of Aylworth.
- 1624, 23 Feb. Robert Say, D. D. on the death Ibid. p. II. fol. 340.
of Swift.
- 1628, 22 May. Robert Austen, D. D. on the Ibid. fol. 357. b.
death of Say.
- 164, Richard Culmer, M. A.⁶
- 1661, 12 Sept. John Bargrave⁷, D. D. on a legal Juxon, fol. 127. b.
vacancy.

¹ Probably the same who was also vicar of Herne from 1562 to 1590. See the "History of that parish," p. 160.

² Chaplain to Abp. Parker, rector of Brasted, Chidingstone, and Wrotham, master of the faculties, one of the translators of the Bible, &c.

³ Christopher Wormeal was at this time Archbishop Whitgift's principal steward and receiver at Lambeth. See the "History of Croydon," p. 152.

⁴ Of Cambridge. Incorporated at Oxford in 1590. Wood's Fasti, I. 141.

⁵ Great-grandfather to the famous Dean of St. Patrick's, and rector of St. Andrews, Canterbury, where he was buried. Dr. Swift by mistake calls him "a prebendary."

⁶ The name of this fanatic, commonly called Blue Dick, from his wearing blue in opposition to black, does not occur in the Registers, but is supplied from Wood's Athen. Oxon. He was minister of Goodneston, from which he was suspended for not reading the Book of Sports on the Lord's Day, was also vicar of St. Stephen's, a bitter enemy to Archbishop Laud, author of "Cathedral News, &c." and distinguished himself by breaking the great north window of the cathedral. He died and was buried at Monkton.

⁷ Prebendary of Canterbury. He died May 11, 1680.

	RECTORS.	REGISTERS.
1670, 8 Dec.	Simon Lowth, M. A. ¹ . on the cession of Bargrave.	Sheldon, fol. 346. a.
1690, 10 Feb.	Simon D'Evereux, presented by the king and queen.	Suspensio Sancroft, fol. 51. b.
1733, 6 Aug.	John Frances ² , M. A. on the death of D'Evereux.	Wake, p. II. fol. 271. a.
1734, 27 Nov.	Charles Milles ³ , M. A. on the death of Frances.	Ibid. fol. 274. a.
1749, 4 July.	Thomas Herring ⁴ , M. A. on the death of Milles.	Herring, fol. 282. b.
1750, 26 March.	Henry Hall ⁵ , M. A. on the resignation of Herring.	Ibid. fol. 285. a.
1764, 20 March.	John Benson ⁶ , M. A. on the death of Hall.	Secker.
1780, 18 Dec.	William Nance ⁷ , LL. B. by exchange with Dr. Benson.	Cornwallis.

¹ Dr. Castilion, dean of Rochester, dying Oct. 21, 1688, King James II. nominated Mr. Simon Lowth to succeed him, but he not being then D. D. and not in a possibility to obtain that degree before the King left the nation, King William III. gave it to one Dr. Henry Ullock, canon of Rochester. Wood's Fasti Oxon. II. 138. This Mr. Lowth therefore was probably deprived of this rectory. Q. Whether for not taking the oaths? He seems to have been the same who was lessee of the tithes of Harbledown hospital in 1682. See p. 182. He is there styled "of St. Cosmas and Damian in the Blean."

² Head-master of the King's School, Canterbury, where he was buried in the cloisters of the Cathedral.

³ Also minister of Little Walsingham in Norfolk, a younger son of Samuel Milles, Esq. M. P. for Canterbury. See the "History of Herne" (where he was buried), p. 103.

⁴ One of the nearest relations to Archbishop Herring, who also appointed him one of his executors. He married a daughter of Sir John Torriano, and died at Kensington, April 18, 1774, being then rector of Chevening in Kent, and Culleston in Surrey, precentor of Chichester, a prebendary of Southwell, and one of the principal registers of the prerogative court of Canterbury.

⁵ Of whom see a particular account in the succeeding page.

⁶ Nephew to Bishop Benson, one of the six preachers in Canterbury Cathedral, vicar of Shepherd's Well, and rector of Great Chart, which latter he held by dispensation with this rectory, and exchanged both for the vicarage of Boxley. He is now also D. D. one of the prebendaries of Canterbury, registrar of the diocese of Gloucester, and rector of St. Michael Royal, College Hill, London.

⁷ The present incumbent, who is also rector of Great Chart.

The Rev. HENRY HALL, M. A.

Was the son of a tobacconist in Bishopsgate street, where he was born in 1716. He was sent early to Eton, was admitted on the foundation in 1729; and elected to King's College, Cambridge, in 1735, where of course he became a fellow in 1738, and took the degrees in arts. Being recommended by Dr. Chapman* to Archbishop Potter, his Grace appointed him his librarian at Lambeth in 1744, on the resignation of Mr. Jones. In that station he continued till the death of his patron in 1747; when Archbishop Herring, who succeeded to the primacy, being sensible of his merit†, not only continued him in that office, but, on his taking orders, appointed him one of his chaplains, and in April 1750 collated him to the rectory of Harbledown (vacant by the promotion of Mr. Thomas Herring‡ to the rectory of Chevening); in November 1752, the Archbishop collated him also to the vicarage of Herne, which he held by dispensation; to which his Grace afterwards added the sinecure rectory of Orpington in the deanry of Shoreham, one of his peculiars. In 1756 Mr. Hall vacated Herne, on being presented to the vicarage of East Peckham by the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury, by whom he was much esteemed, having greatly assisted their auditor in digesting many of the records, charters, &c. preserved in their registry||. In return, the late Dr. Walwyn (one of the prebendaries, who vacated that vicarage) was collated by the Archbishop to the rectory of Great Mongeham, void by the death of Mr. Byrch. On the death of Abp. Herring in 1757, he resigned the librarianship of Lambeth, and from that time resided chiefly at Harbledown, in a large house§, which he hired, now the seat of Robert Mead Wilmot, Esq. only son of Sir Edward. Soon after the death of Archbishop Herring, Mr. Hall was presented by his executors to the treasurer-ship of the cathedral of Wells, one of his Grace's options. He was also at first a competitor for the precentorship of Lincoln, an option of Archbishop Potter

* Fellow of King's College, and now archdeacon of Sudbury, treasurer of Chichester, &c. who in 1742 was very near being elected provost of King's.

† His Grace, in one of his letters to Mr. Duncombe. said, "I have an excellent young man for my librarian, who never did and never can offend me."

‡ Of whom see p. 186.

|| For which, among other presents, they gave him, in December 1762, a fine copy of the Oxford edition of Bp. Hooper's Works, 1757, on large paper and elegantly bound; which copy, after his death, having been sold with his other books, was purchased by his intimate friend Dr. Ducarel, in whose library it now remains. Mr. Hall had two excellent stained drawings of Wimbledon and St. Mary Cray churches by Skelton, a very ingenious young painter, patronised by Archbishop Herring, who died at Rome. These are now in the collection of the Rev. Dr. Beauvoir, being presented to him by Mr. Hall's aunt and executrix.

§ This house, in 1757, when the late Duke of Marlborough commanded the camp on Barham Downs, was lent by Mr. Hall to the Dutchess and her family; and in it their eldest daughter, Lady Diana Spencer, (now Beauclerk) was married, Sept. 9, 1757, to Lord Viscount Bolingbroke, by the present Archbishop, at that time domestic chaplain to the Duke of Marlborough. It has since been occupied by the late Gen. Belford.

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(which Dr. Richardson gained in 1760 by a decree of the House of Lords) but soon withdrew his claim, well-grounded as it seemed. His learning and abilities were great, but not superior to his modesty; and by his singular affability he obtained the love and esteem of all who knew him. His charitable attention to his poor parishioners, especially when they were ill, was constant and exemplary. At Archbishop Secker's primary visitation at Canterbury in 1758, Mr. Hall was "pitched upon" (his Grace's official expression) to preach before him at St. Margaret's Church, which he did from Acts xvii. 21. "For all the Athenians and strangers which were there, spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell or hear some new thing." He died a bachelor, at Harbledown, Nov. 1, 1763, in the 47th year of his age, after a short illness, occasioned by a violent swelling in the neck, which could not be accounted for by the eminent physicians who attended him. He was buried under the communion-table of Harbledown church, without any epitaph to preserve the memory of that most worthy and valuable man, who lived universally beloved, and died much regretted.

Extracts of Letters from Mr. HALL to Dr. DUCAREL.

Harbledown, Dec. 6, 1760.

"I have at present in my possession some very ancient and curious writings, which I will detain, if possible, till I have the pleasure of seeing you here. I received them in a confused heap, but you will find them in some order, and perhaps an abstract of them. What I mean, are the old deeds, &c. belonging to the hospital here, which the Archdeacon * has desired me to look over; and, that I might do so to the better purpose, I had them brought hither. It is very necessary for the master of the hospital to have a particular account of them, and I intend to give the Archdeacon the best I can. There is amongst them a grant by Archbishop Richard, immediate successor to Thomas a Becket, of xx l. per ann. to the hospital, out of the parsonage of Reculvre, which is mentioned to have been resigned on this

* John Head, D. D. (afterwards Sir John, bart.) then master.

occasion by Hugo the Rector *. In the instrument, Archbishop Lanfranc is said to have founded the two hospitals; the one at Herebaldown, the other at Canterbury extra Northgate. The writing is very fair and fresh, and two thirds of the seal (viz. the upper and lower parts of the reverse, and the upper half of the other part) are still remaining. But the most curious impression of a seal is at the bottom of an instrument of Archbishop Arundel's †, which I believe you will think deserves to be engraved by your Society of Antiquaries. There are likewise the impressions of the seals of Archbishop Illip ‡, William of Wickham ||, and of some broad seals, very well preserved."

Harbledown, Feb. 9, 1761.

"Mr. Somner found "virgultum" in a bull of Pope John § (which he quotes in his *Antiquities of Canterbury* [p. 44.], under the article of Harbledown hospital); but, as he has not translated that word, I suppose he was doubtful of its meaning. The Pope intended to exempt the poor people from the payment of certain tithes; viz. "de ortis & virgultis & animalium nutrimentis:" the first article is very plain; the last relates to the pasture for 12 kine and a bull **, which were kept in the hospital, as appears by their writings. It likewise appears, that they had an orchard, containing about three or four acres. The land still preserves that name, though all the trees are grubbed up, and it is planted entirely with hops; and by its name of "an orchard," it is privileged and exempted from the payment of tithe. The rest of the tithes, by a grant from Archbishop Stratford, belong to Eastbridge hospital, and are let for 21 years by lease from the master thereof ††, in the following words; "all the tithes of corn, grain, pulse, pasture, hay, and all other tithes whatsoever, growing on the lands belonging to the hospital of St. Nicholas Harbledown; except the tithes of the common garden or orchard belonging to the brothers and sisters of the said hospital." An exception in favour of the fodder is omitted, having been unnecessary ever since they kept no cattle. But the other exceptions, and the practice accordingly, I take to be the best comment upon the Pope's bull; and from thence I conclude, that "virgultum" signifies "an orchard." I have further to observe, that underwood being a species of great tithe, it is not likely that it should be placed between two articles of small tithes."

* See the *History of Reculver*, p. 129.

† See plate III. fig. 14.

‡ Ibid. fig. 11.

|| Ibid. fig. 12.

§ XXII. See this bull at large p. 235.

** "Ten cows and a bull" in the *Survey*, p. 18.

†† See p. 176.

Harbledown, April 26, 1763.

"The ancient church of St. Nicholas in this village has generally been considered to be no more than a chapel to the hospital; but it appears to me to have been as much a parish church, as the other of St. Michael in the same place; and if it be not one at present, for want of its minister and parish-officers, it seems capable of being put upon its ancient footing. If this should be done, a parish will be added, or at least restored, to your jurisdiction. In Battely's Appendix to Somner, p. 57. m. 29. you will find "Ecclesia S. Nicolai de Herbal-doune, in decanatu Canterbury," among those which are exempt from the Archdeacon, and of consequence, as I presume, subject to the Commissary. You may have taken notice of a place called "the Mint *," situated between the two churches here. It belonged to the chantry of St. Nicholas, founded † by Archbishop Wittlesey; and since the dissolution of the chantry, by which it was severed from the hospital, it has been deemed extraparochial. It seems to me to be otherwise, and that the master of Eastbridge hospital is liable to be charged with the stipend of a curate, to be nominated by him for the benefit of such of the inhabitants of the parish as are not included in the hospital. Mr. J. Gostling ‡ is in hopes of being curate, if the Archbishop should think proper to appoint one."

* In Easter-week 1773, on an application from Gen. Belford and some other inhabitants of the adjoining parish, St. Michael's, suggesting the inconveniences resulting to them from this extraparochial place, two neighbouring justices, in pursuance of an act 13 and 14 Charles II. appointed two inhabitants of the Mint overseers of St. Nicholas. But Mr Duncombe, the master, apprehensive of the burden that would be brought on the poor of the hospital by being subjected to parochial taxes, laid the case before the late Abp. Cornwallis, and with his Grace's approbation (as expressed in the letter annexed) directed the Prior to appeal at the next Quarter Sessions against the appointment, where, upon hearing the arguments of counsel, it was quashed. In the Mint are now eight houses, or tenements, and a wind mill. If that alone had been made a vill, or parish, there could have been no objection.

"Rev. Sir,

Lambeth, June 26, 1773.

"I was absent from home when your letter came here, and did not return till two days after, which has prevented my answering it sooner. I think your objections to the proceeding of the justices well founded; your reasons against it just, and I much approve of the method you propose taking towards redressing the grievance. My being from home was unlucky; but, as you say the appeal must be entered this week, I hope you did not wait for my answer.

"Sir, your faithful humble servant,

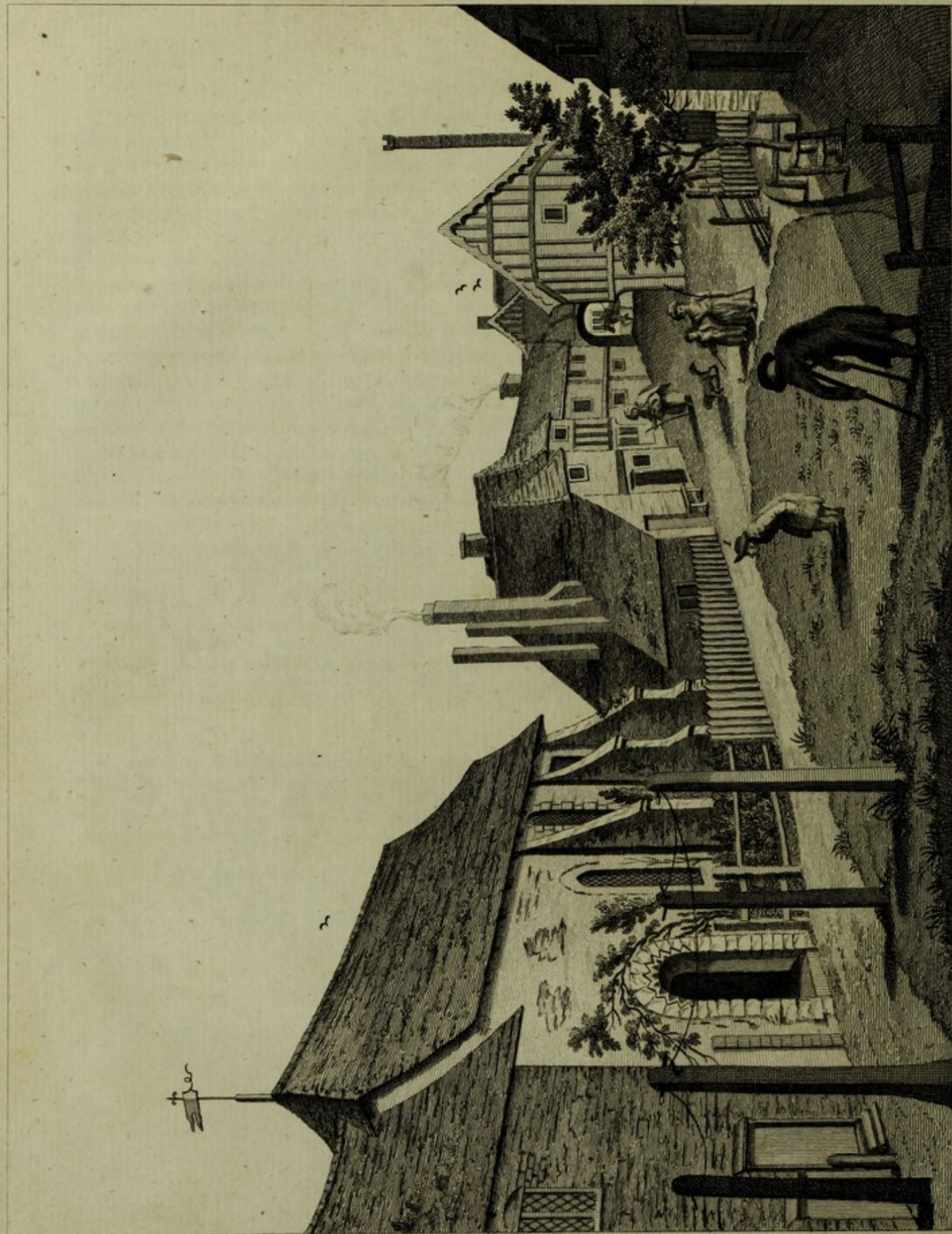
"Rev. Mr. Duncombe.

"FRED. CANT."

† See p. 183.

‡ Reader, or chaplain, to the hospital. See p. 177.

N O R T H



J. Raymond del. 1784.

W. View of St. John's Hospital Canterbury.

1. John Baxter, one of the Brothers.

Engr. J. J. J.

N O R T H G A T E.

This hospital, dedicated to St. John the Baptist, is justly styled by Somner the “other twin” of Herboldown*, being founded and endowed by archbishop Lanfranc, at the same time, and in the same manner, about the year 1084. In the words of Edmer†, “Without the North gate of this city (Canterbury) archbishop Lanfranc built a fair and large house of stone, and added to it for the various wants and conveniencies of its inhabitants several apartments, with a spacious court. This palace [so it is called] he divided into two parts, one designed for men labouring under various distempers, the other for infirm women. He provided them with cloaths and daily food at his own expence. He appointed also officers and servants, who should by all means take care that they wanted nothing, and that the men and women should have no communication with each other.” Its original endowment (70*l. per annum*), and subsequent statutes, being the same as those of St. Nicholas, little more need be said of them here. This hospital stands on the West side of the street, or road, leading to Herne, Reculver, and the isle of Thanet, and has a garden and orchard behind it extending to the river. It suffered by fire in the reign of Edward III. as appears by a kind of brief under their seal, directed to all prelates in general, deploring “a lamentable fire, which had wasted their house and adjacent buildings, in which more than a hundred poor people were sustained, intreating their charitable assistance,

* Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 50.

† Hist. Novor. lib. I.

“and informing them of the several indulgences that had been granted to their benefactors by former archbishops and bishops*.” Archbishop Stratford, in the same reign, when he erected and endowed the adjoining vicarage of St. Mary, Northgate, expressly reserved and excepted from it “the oblations and obventions of the hospital of Northgate.” Its revenues were valued, 26 Henry VIII. at 94*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* ob. clear; of which 80*l.* was the stipend paid by the archbishop. Opposite to this hospital was the priory of St. Gregory, founded also by archbishop Lanfranc for secular priests†, but made a priory of black canons by archbishop William‡, and dissolved at the Reformation.

St. John's Hospital has an ancient church, or chapel, which was larger formerly than at present; but since Somner and even Battely wrote, all the bells but one, as being indeed useless, have been sold; and the steeple and North aisle, to diminish the expence of repairs, were taken down in 1744 by a faculty from archbishop Potter. Mr. Gostling, who gives this account, ironically adds: “so, by way of improvement, were many of the old houses, and smaller and less convenient ones erected in their room; a stone wall was also taken away, which sheltered the whole from the cold North-West wind blowing over the river and the meadow land, and being pentised overhead, was called by the poor people their cloisters, under which they used to walk, or sit, and converse with each other, on the benches ||.”

To return to the chapel. The East window, in Somner's time, was “a very brave” one, “having,” he says, “in so many

* This letter is not now in the hospital-chest. See p. 203.

† Leland's Collect. vol. I. p. 84.

‡ Tanner's Notitia Monastica, p. 209.

§ Walk in and about Canterbury, p. 29.

“panes

“panes every of the twelve apostles pourtrayed, with the severall
 “articles of the creed that they are said to make.” At present it
 is much broken and mutilated, but some old heads that remain are
 remarkably well expressed. Somner also mentions the monu-
 ment of Alice Ashburnham (now no more), with this inscrip-
 tion : *Orate pro animâ Aliciæ Ashburnham, filię et hæredis Willi-*
elmi Tooke, armigeri, et Aliciæ Woodland, uxoris ejus, et antea fuit
uxor Thomæ Rooper, gent. quæ obiit xvii. die April. anno R. R.
Hen. VIII. xv. et anno Domini 1524. Cujus animæ, &c. And
 in the East window of the same side-chancel (now taken down, as
 above-mentioned), *Orate pro ——— Rooper, et pro bono ——— Tho-*
masinæ uxoris ejus ——— Domini 1529. In the South window,
Orate pro animabus Domini Willielmi Septvans, et ——— consortis
ejus, &c. And in the choir window, *Orate pro bono statu ———*
Hylls, fratris istius Hospitalis, et prior. qui ab hoc seculo migravit, qui
fenestram istam fieri fecit, anno Domini 1474. As at Herboldown,
 this is the principal, if not the only part of Lanfranc’s building that
 now remains; as all the lodging-houses (of which there are 31) are
 modern edifices. A West view of the hospital is annexed, plate II.
 There is a hall here (as at Herboldown) now only used for the an-
 nual feast on St. John the Baptist’s day, the admittance of members,
 and the reading and sealing of leases. And there, in a strong chest,
 the ancient charters, &c. are deposited. The hospital seal is en-
 graved, pl. III. fig. 2. On the North side of the chapel is a
 burying ground for the members of the hospital; and prayers are
 read twice a week by a chaplain or reader, who has a stipend
 of 8*l. per annum.* The present is the Rev. George Hearne,
 rector of St. Alphage, and vicar of St. Mary Northgate, and one
 of the six preachers in the cathedral. The master is the same
 as of St. Nicholas; and as the masters from the beginning of
 the present century have been the same, their succession may be
 seen.

seen there, p. 182. To Mr. William Somner, the eminent antiquary, both hospitals were indebted for the continuance of their pension in the last century (as is mentioned p. 202); and being appointed master of this hospital by archbishop Juxon, in 1660, by his interest and courage he recovered some part of the endowment of which it had been fleeced by the statute 37 Henry VIII*.

At a visitation made by archdeacon Harpsfield, in 1557, it was presented that the ornaments of the chapel had been taken away by the mayor. "Memorandum, Delivered again one chalice, with the paten of silver, four table-cloths, four surplices, two towels, three bells in the steeple. Memorandum, They say they are of no parish, but a parish of themselves."

In the account of this hospital given to archbishop Sheldon, Oct. 24, 1674, its state was as follows: "The hospital of St. John the Baptist contains a prior, a reader, 18 in-brothers, 20 in-sisters, and the like number of out-brothers and out-sisters. The revenues in the whole are 195*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.*†." At present it consists of the like number of in-brothers and sisters; but there are only 22 out-brothers and sisters, who have only a pension of 1*l.* 4*s.* per annum each, paid quarterly, of whom 20, resident in and near Lambeth, are nominated by the archbishop, and the other two are recommended by the master.

After the Reformation, archbishop Parker, in the first year of his consecration, visited this and Herbaldown hospital, and framed very wholesome statutes‡ for their better government. These were

* Bishop Kenner's Life of Somner, p. 116. To this our antiquary alludes in his account of this hospital, published in 1640, where he says, "I suspect a fleecing of it, as of other like places, by the sacrilegious pilferers of those ravenous and wretched times, set upon the spoil even of (what the proverb might have staved them from) the very spittle itself. I could instance in some particulars wherein it suffered." Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 51. † Ibid. part II, p. 169.

‡ Printed in the Appendix, p. 214.

delivered to the prior and prioress of St. John's (no doubt, in the chapel above-mentioned) by Dr. Yate, his grace's commissary in this visitation, and his vicar-general. The same were also given about the same time to the hospital of St. Nicholas. Aug. 20, 1565, the archbishop took some farther cognizance of his hospitals, upon some disagreement for precedence between the prior and the reader, and some other matters, and added five articles to the said statutes; and again May 20, 1574, he added two more; all which may be seen in the Appendix*. And by these good statutes the hospitals are governed at this day.

In modern times Mrs. Elizabeth Lovejoy of Canterbury, by her will, dated in 1694, bequeathed to this hospital 10*l.* annually, from her estate in Thanet (paid half-yearly), to be divided among the resident members. Ralph Snowe, gent. of Lambeth, by his will, dated in 1707, left to this hospital (as he did also to St. Nicholas) 200*l.* of which 160*l.* was laid out by archbishop Tenison, Aug. 10, 1714, in the purchase of 14 acres of marsh-land in the parish of Wickham-breux, which now let for 8*l.* per annum†.

* Pp. 219—225.

† The archbishop assigned this estate in trust to Dr. Thomas Greene, archdeacon, Dr. George Thorp, and the Rev. Elias Sydall, prebendaries (the latter master of the hospitals), Dr. Thomas Wise, rector of St. Alphage, William Turner, esq. William Deedes, M. D. and Paul Lukyn, gent. all of Canterbury, for the benefit of this hospital, with directions to the four surviving trustees always to chuse three more. On Feb. 2, 1730, Dr. Greene (then bishop of Ely), Dr. Sydall (then dean of Canterbury), and Dr. Deedes, made a new feoffment, and put in four feoffees, Dr. John Lynch (afterwards dean of Canterbury), Mr. Julius Deedes (afterwards prebendary of Canterbury), William Crayford, esq. recorder of Canterbury, and Samuel Norris, gent. auditor to the dean and chapter. And all the above-named trustees having died without having made a conveyance of the premises to any new trustees, by which means they became vested in William Lynch, esq. (now Sir William, K. B.) as eldest son and heir at law to the said Dr. John Lynch, the last survivor of the deceased trustees, in order to perpetuate the said charity, &c. Mr. Lynch, by indenture bearing date July 16, 1767, sold, delivered, and released the said parcels of land to Dr. John Head (archdeacon and master), the Rev. Osmund Beauvoir, the Rev. Thomas Hey, William Deedes, esq. and Thomas Benson, gent. in the survivors of whom, Dr. Beauvoir, Mr. Hey, and Mr. Deedes, with Sir William Lynch, the estate is now vested.

Mrs. Mary Masters, of Canterbury, by her will, dated Jan. 11, 1711, left 5*l.* per annum each to this hospital and five others in that city, charged upon her estate; but having appointed Sir Harcourt Masters, one of the South Sea directors, her sole executor, and his estate being subjected by an act 7 George I. to raise money on a public account, was found insufficient to divide more than 6*s.* 6*d.* in the pound on the claims of these hospitals, which being fixed at 660*l.* by Mr. Borrett, one of the masters in chancery, at that rate came to 214*l.* 10*s.* with which sum (law charges deducted) amounting to 183*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* was purchased in Jan. 1736, in the names of Dr. Lynch, dean of Canterbury, and John Knowler, esq. recorder, 163*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.* capital stock in old South Sea annuities; which sum (that part which was paid off by act of parliament at Michaelmas 1737 having been replaced) is now standing in the said stock in trust for the hospitals of St. John, East-bridge, Maynard, Boys, Cogan, and Smith, from which this hospital has of late received annually no more than 7*s.* 6*d.*

Archbishop Secker, in 1769, left by will to this and St. Nicholas hospitals 500*l.* each, in three per cent. Bank annuities, in reversion after the deaths of Mrs. Talbot and her excellent daughter, both of whom being now dead (as has been mentioned p. 180), that bequest is expected soon to take place.

And Thomas Hanson, esq. of Crosby-square, London (who died in 1770), left by will in trust to this hospital, East-bridge, and Maynard's, 500*l.* each, which being invested in 3 per cent. reduced Bank annuities (583*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*) divides to the resident members of this hospital 17*l.* 10*s.* per annum, paid half-yearly.

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The present revenue * of this Hospital (1785) is as follows:

	Paid quarterly.		
	l.	s.	d.
The Archbishop's pension †,	80	0	0
Rents collected by the prior,	95	9	0
Rents collected by the porter,	23	5	0
	Half-Yearly.		
Rents, &c.	32	19	0
Mrs. Lovejoy's † legacy,	10	0	0
Mrs. Masters's ‡ legacy (5d. each),	0	7	6
Mr. Brown's § legacy,	0	10	0
Rent of lands at Wickham-breux, purchased with Mr. Snowe's legacy **			
(clear),	7	0	0
Mr. Hanson's †† legacy,	17	10	0
	Yearly.		
Northgate burying-ground,	0	5	0
The Hospital chapel-yard,	0	5	0
Two bushels of wheat from Rowling farm,	0	10	0
Rent of Brotherhood Wood (now in hand)	12	0	0
Fines for renewing leases (on an average),	10	0	0
Pension from the Exchequer (clear) ††,	2	18	5½
Feast rents,	5	2	0
	Annuities.		
Earl Cowper, for lands at the Moat, called Wyke ‡‡,	0	13	4
Sir Edward Hales, for the conduit in Brotherhood Wood,	0	6	8
Mrs. Allen, for Barnfield at St. Thomas's Hill,	0	4	2
Mr. Roberts's heirs, for Priest-field at Sturry (not paid some time),	0	3	4
Mr. Whitfield, for Nash Marsh in Sturry (not paid some time),	0	1	4
Mr. Tilbe, for two houses in St. Dunstan's,	0	3	4
Mrs. Strouts, for a house in Westgate,	0	0	10
Mrs. Delmar, for two tenements in North-lane,	0	0	8
Sir Hewet Aucher's heirs, for Millfield in Bishopsbourn §§ (not paid some time),	0	3	0
	299	17	7½
Disbursements (on the other side)	52	13	9
Clear	247	3	10½

which is above 6l. 10s. to each person.

* This consists chiefly of houses, but that of Hernealdown of land; therefore the latter is more valuable, the fines being larger, and the repairs less.

† Of this 56l. is paid at Canterbury, and the rest is reserved to pay the out-brothers and sisters at Lambeth. ‡ See pp. 195, and 280. ¶ See pp. 196, and 280.

§ See p. 281. ** See p. 195. †† See p. 196. ‡‡ See pp. 230, 249, and 252.

§§ See pp. 202, 284, &c.

§§ Afterwards Dr. Corbet's, now Stephen Beckingham's, Esq. But it has not been paid since 1709 or 10, though the payments appear, from the hospital accounts, to have been made to that time ever since the year 1614.

Disbursements.

To the reader*, p. ann.			8	0	0
To two out-brothers at Canterbury, and ten out-brothers and ten out-sisters, at Lambeth			26	8	0
Towards the feast on St. John Baptist's day, usually about,			6	0	0
Quit-rents, viz. to Blean and Hoth Court manor,	5	4			
Westgate,	12	2			
Barton,	1	10			
Reculver,	8	0			
Chislet,	1	8			
Dean and Chapter of Canterbury†,	11	5	2	5	9
Ditto, for the Hermitage, Surrey ‡,	3	8			
Dean and Chapter of Rochester §,	1	4			
City of Canterbury,	0	4			
Other expences about,			10	0	0
			Total	52	13 9

* See p. 193.—8d. per quarter is reserved out of the stipend of every brother and sister to make up this sum. † For houses in the manor of Caldecot.

‡ In the manor of Vaux-hall. See p. 273. § For a tenement in Loader's lane, Canterbury.

P. 180. note, l. 1. r. "the fifth word."—The description of the curious bowl at Herboldown having been communicated to the editor of the Gentleman's Magazine for April 1784, p. 257, produced the following remarks from an anonymous correspondent: "I take shame and sorrow to myself, to think that I passed a week close to the hospital at Herboldown without knowing a tittle of the very curious article in your last. I read *NECI OCCIS, Nece occidit*. Dragons and lions do not grow naturally in England now, else I should be tempted to guess that by *Ad Danum* "at Doncaster" was meant; at least the scene of action is most likely to be commemorated, and Northumberland grew dragons*. May one beg the favour of any one of the many intelligent and curious residents at Canterbury (and I know no town or neighbourhood that has more), to tell us the width, depth, and capacity of the bowl; of what materials (whether metal or wood) the medallion is made; for as such things were rare, I should guess it was a seal cut in metal or wood a-top of the foot, and so screwed in; yet if it was a seal, the figures and letters would all stand wrong†. I am so pleased with the bowl, that I think of sending to Canterbury, and getting one turned of the size and shape."

* In Dr. Percy's very valuable Collection of Ancient Ballads, vol. III. p. 106, Guy says,

"A dragon in Northumberland
"I alsoe did in fight destroye,
"Which did both man and beast oppresse,
"And all the countrye fore annoye."

But this seems to have been a different dragon; and in the famous Romance "of Beu. and Sir Guy," quoted by Chaucer is said to be

"a fowle dragon,

"That sleath men and beastes downe."

† The top diameter is 8.4 inches; depth at the edge of the medallion 3.4 inches. The solid contents = 6 wine pints, or 173 $\frac{1}{4}$ cubic inches. Diameter of the medallion 3.6 inches; of the top of the foot 3 inches and $\frac{1}{2}$ a tenth. Height of the foot 1.7 inch.

The medallion, foot, and several plates and cramps, to strengthen or mend the bowl, are all (like the rim) of silver, gilt. The medallion cannot have been a seal, being in basso relievo, nor is it screwed in (as appears by the measurement) but rivetted at the top.

P. 187. Instead of the first note, read, John Chapman, D.D. rector of Merstham, and also of Aldington, with the chapel of Smeeth, all in the county of Kent, ever since the years 1739 and 1744, being then domestic chaplain to Abp. Potter. He was also archdeacon of Sudbury, and treasurer of Chichester, two options. Being educated at Eton, and elected to King's, 1723, he was a candidate for the provostship of that college, with the late Dr. George, and lost it but by a small majority. Among his pupils he had the honour to class the present Lord Camden, Jacob Bryant, Esq. Dr. Cooke (now provost), the late Dr. Ashton, Dr. Barford, James Hayes, Esq. (now a Welsh judge), and, for a short time, the Hon. Horace Walpole. His remarks on Dr. Middleton's celebrated letter to Dr. Waterland were published in 1731, and passed through three editions. In his "Eusebius," 2 vols. 8vo, he defended Christianity against the objections of Morgan, and against those of Tindal, in his "Primitive Antiquity explained and vindicated, being remarks on a book intituled "Christianity as old as the Creation." The first volume of Eusebius, published in 1739, was dedicated to Archbishop Potter; and when the second appeared, in 1741, Mr. Chapman styled himself "Chaplain" to his Grace. In the same year he was made archdeacon of Sudbury; was honoured with the diploma of D.D. by the university of Oxford; and published "The Ancient History of the Hebrews vindicated; or, Remarks on the third Volume of the Moral Philosopher; wherein a particular account is given of the Shepherds in Egypt, and the origin of Circumcision in that Country, by Theophanes Cantabrigien-sis," 8vo. He published also two tracts relating to Phlegon, in answer to Dr. Sykes, who had maintained, that the eclipse mentioned by that writer had no relation to the wonderful darkness that happened at our Saviour's crucifixion. In 1738 Dr. Chapman published a sermon preached at the consecration of Bishop Mawson. He printed four other single sermons, 1739, 1743, 1748, and 1752. In a dissertation written in elegant Latin, and addressed to Mr. (afterwards Dr.) Tunstall, then public orator of the University of Cambridge, and published with his Latin epistle to Dr. Middleton concerning the genuineness of some of Cicero's Epistles, 1741, Dr. Chapman proved that Cicero published two editions of his *Academicæ*; an original thought, that had escaped all former commentators, and which has been applauded by the (present) Bishop of Exeter in his valuable edition of Cicero's "*Epistolæ ad Familiares*," 1749. In 1744, Mr. Tunstall published "Observations on the present collection of Epistles between Cicero and M. Brutus, representing several evident marks of Forgery in those Epistles, &c." To which was added a letter from Dr. Chapman, on the ancient numeral characters of the Roman Legions. Dr. Middleton had asserted, that the Roman Generals, when they had occasion to raise new legions in distant parts of the empire, used to name them according to the order in which they themselves had raised them, without regard to any other legions whatever. This notion Dr. Chapman controverts and confutes. According to Dr. Middleton, there might have been two thirtieth legions in the empire. This Dr. Chapman denies to have been customary from the foundation of the city to the time when Brutus was acting against Antony. Dr. Chapman affirms nothing of the practice after the death of Brutus. To this Dr. Middleton made no reply. In 1745, Dr. Chapman's assistance to Dr. (afterwards Bishop) Pearce in his edition of "*Cicero de Officiis* *," was thus acknowledged in the Preface. "Ne quid vero huic editioni deesset quod à me parari posset à doctissimis quibusdam viris, amicis meis, impetravi, ut hos libros de officiis relegerent, & necum sua quisque annotata communicarent. Gratia igitur tibi, Lector, illis referendæ sunt; in primis eruditissimo Joh. Chapmanno, cujus non paucas notas & utiles & doctas meis adjunxi, ejus nomine ad finem unius cujusque apposito. Multum debet illi viro Respublica literaria qui nonnulla alia lectu dignissima jam in lucem protulit, plura (ut spero) prolaturus, cum omni fere doctrinæ generi se tradit, incredibili pene & eadem felici diligentia." Dr. Chapman introduced Mr. Tunstall and Mr. Hall about this time to Archbishop Potter, the one as his librarian, the other as his chaplain, and therefore had some reasons to resent their taking an active part against him in the option cause—though they both afterwards dropped it. Dr. Chapman's above mentioned attack on Dr. Middleton, which he could not parry, and his

* This Dr. Chapman always called "our edition." Its excellence was mentioned with high encomium, by a Cardinal at Rome to Mr. Guthrie.

interposition in defence of his much esteemed friend Dr. Waterland, provoked Dr. Middleton to retaliate, in 1746, by assailing him in a much more vulnerable part, in his charge delivered to the archdeaconry of Sudbury. In 1747, to Mr. Mounteney's * edition of some Select Orations of Demosthenes Dr. Chapman prefixed in Latin (without his name) "Observations on the Commentaries commonly ascribed to Ulpian, and a map of ancient Greece, adapted to Demosthenes." If Archbishop Potter had lived to another election, he was intended for Prolocutor. As executor and surviving trustee to that prelate, his conduct in that trust, particularly his presenting himself to the precentorship of Lincoln, void by the death of Dr. Trimmell (one of his Grace's options), was brought into chancery by the late Dr. Richardson, when Lord Keeper Henley, in 1760, made a decree in Mr. Chapman's favour; but, on an appeal to the House of Lords, the decree was reversed, and Dr. Richardson ordered to be presented. When Mr. Yorke had finished his argument, in which he was very severe on Dr. Chapman, Mr. Pratt (now Lord Camden), who had been his pupil, and was then his counsel, defired him, by a friend, not to be uneasy, for that "the next day he would wash him as white as snow." Those were his words. Thinking his case partially stated by Dr. Burn in his "Ecclesiastical Law," vol. I. (Article BISHOPS) as it was taken from the briefs of his adversaries, he expostulated with him on the subject by letter, to which the Doctor candidly replied, that "he by no means thought him criminal, and in the next edition of his work would certainly add his own representation."

P. 289, note † add, In the year before (1622) a turkey, which cost vs. had been given to the same counsellor.

* Who had been school-fellow with Dr. Chapman at Eton, and went to King's College in 1725.

* * As the two following Letters from the Rev. Mr. LAMPREY *, Master of St. John's and Harbledown Hospitals, to Archbishop SECKER, give some additional information relating to the Hospitals of St. John and St. Nicholas, it has been thought proper to add them here. Though the Archbishop's Letters do not appear, the subjects of his enquiries may be collected from the answers.

L E T T E R I.

MY LORD,

Canterbury, 1759.

At length I humbly offer to your Grace the best information I am able to procure, concerning the present state of the two hospitals committed to my care.

The original number of brothers and sisters maintained in each hospital was 60; and that they were all obliged to reside there, may, I think, be concluded from the

* Thomas Lamprey, M. A. rector of St. Martin's, and vicar of St. Paul's, Canterbury, and one of the minor canons of the cathedral. He also took out the seals for the rectory of Stonar, a dilapidated church, near Sandwich, and in consequence was involved in an expensive and unsuccessful suit (which was tried at the assizes) with the late Mrs. Rooke, the widow Blackacre of her day. He died in 1760.

first

first of Archbishop Parker's statutes; [see p. 214.] not more than 20 (that is, as I apprehend, of the whole original number of 60) being permitted to live out of the house at once. In time, upon the diminution, as I conceive, of their revenues, the number of in-brothers and sisters at St. John's was reduced to 38, and at Harbledown to 30; but at what particular time this was done, I cannot say. The out-brothers and sisters of each receive only a stipend of 6 s. 8 d.* per quarter from the Archbishop, and are not, as far as I know, obliged to the observance of any statutes, or required to be possessed of any special qualifications with respect to age†, celibacy, &c. These are admitted at Lambeth, without the least account taken of them here; save only, that two out-brothers only are admitted at St. John's, and two out-brothers and three out-sisters at Harbledown. But the reason of this appointment, and at what time it was introduced and took place, I am yet to learn. The emoluments of the 38 in-brothers and sisters at St. John's, and of the 30 in-brothers and sisters at Harbledown, arise partly from the yearly pension of 1 l. 6 s. 8 d. paid to each of them by your Grace, and the remainder from the rents of their lands and houses, and fines upon the renewal of leases; to which may be added a small yearly pension from the Crown‡, and two private benefactions given, not many years ago, to each hospital by Mr. Snowe and Mrs. Lovejoy§. These stipends, and rents, amount yearly to the following sums in each.

[These have already been given pp. 181 and 197.]

There are at present but 32 || dwellings at St. John's and 24 at Harbledown, for the in-brothers and sisters; so that the residue must necessarily be admitted to live elsewhere. To whom this leave of absence should be indulged, Archbishop Potter was pleased to intrust to my discretion. I generally dispense it according to seniority, unless I find some special reason to the contrary. In pursuance of the general trust reposed in me, I have constantly made it a part of my care to preserve the peace and good order, and to advance (as far as in me lies) the prosperity of both these fraternities. I keep a watchful eye not only to the maintenance of their estates and buildings, but likewise over the manners of the people, obliging them to conform, as nearly as may be, to the observance of their statutes. Several of these statutes, it must be confessed, were better accommodated to the former, than to the present state of the hospitals. Some of them are become obsolete, and others hardly practicable, as things are now circumstanced. And yet the in-brothers and sisters are sworn, at their admission, to the observance of them. Upon the whole, I humbly conceive, that they are capable of being

* Of this and all the stipends, 8 d. per quarter is reserved to make up the stipend of the reader. D.

† Yet a young, healthy, or wealthy, person could not be admitted consistently with the terms of the corrody, which is always granted "in consideration of poverty, old age, and bodily infirmities." D.

‡ See pp. 239, 240, and 252.

§ Mr. Hanson's to St. John's may now be added. See p. 196. D.

|| There are now but 31, one of them which was uninhabitable, being converted into a storhouse. D.

altered much for the better in many particulars, and I shall readily (whenever a opportunity offers of delivering my thoughts to your Grace *ore tenus* on this subject,) point out some instances wherein I apprehend certain alterations to be most needful, together with some orders which, I think, would prove conducive to the benefit of the hospitals. This being an end laudable in itself, I shall the more chearfully take some pains in it, especially if I find your Grace disposed to encourage it.

I humbly thank your Grace for the calculations you have taken the trouble of making with respect to the hospital fines in general. They will be a good rule of direction to me in particular instances. The fees for leases in both hospitals are the same, and in both (as they ought to be) very moderate §. Five shillings, out of every such lease, are put into the reparation purse, there being no stated provision for the reparation of the public buildings but what arises from admission fees and vacancies; and therefore I have found it sometimes necessary (with the consent of the Archbishop) to apply some part of the fines, especially when large, to these purposes. And Mr. Parry † will inform your Grace that ordinarily 12 l. and upwards hath been yearly remitted from Lambeth for the same purposes; arising from reparation-nobles, and vacancies of out-brothers and sisters places.

Herewith I transmit to your Grace another certificate. I have often wished that poor persons from the country might, for the most part, be appointed to supply the vacancies at Harbledown; those who have lived in the city being generally desirous (under various pretences) after admission there, to spend their time here, whereby their houses, by not being constantly inhabited, run faster into decay.

I am, &c.

THOMAS LAMPREY.

§ The expence, since the date of this letter, is much increased by the additional stamps. Five shillings are also paid for registering, a practice, which, though highly useful and expedient, was till 1772 neglected, and of course several leases, having been lost or destroyed, have, for want of renewal, expired, so that not only the fines, but the lands themselves, have been lost; a small unimproveable annual payment, originally a reserved rent, only remaining. Such doubtless was the origin of the 10s. "for land" at Herne paid annually by Mr. Charles Palfrey, the 2 s. paid by Mr. Lade at Grayney (see Herbaldown Rental, p. 181), &c. and such would probably have been the fate of 2 acres, 3 roods, held of St. John's at Hoath by John Sennock, at 1 l. 15 s. reserved rent, had not a lease to his great-grandfather, dated in 1686, been lately discovered, in consequence of which he has been obliged to renew and take a 21 years lease of the premises. Such losses are now prevented by registering. D.

† Thomas Parry, esq. receiver to five successive Archbishops. He died Sept. 12, 1773.

LETTER II.

L E T T E R II.

MY LORD,

Canterbury,

1760.

In obedience to your Grace's commands, I now humbly offer the most satisfactory account in my power, concerning those enquiries made by your Grace in relation to the hospitals of St. John and St. Nicholas.

It does not appear to me that the in-brothers and sisters of these hospitals are, by any established rule or custom, required to be natives or inhabitants of this or any other county. Indeed, as this city and the parts adjacent can furnish an abundant supply of fit objects for all vacancies, the choice has not usually extended farther. But yet probably there have been instances, at most times, of some who were selected from places more remote. I remember one such who was appointed by Archbishop Wake, two by Archbishop Potter, and four by Archbishop Herring, two of them even his own menial servants*. Whenever such persons have been admitted at Lambeth, Mr. Parry usually makes an entry upon the corrody (transmitted to me), that they have been sworn to the observation of the statutes; upon which their names are enrolled in the hospital-book. But whether the statutes should be recited to them, and the oath to observe them administered, previously to their admission, or may be deferred till they come to reside in the hospital, your Grace will most surely collect from the third and fourth of Archbishop Parker's statutes†.

2. It is a case which rarely or never happens, that any of those who desire to reside in the hospitals, are forced, for want of room, to live out‡. Their living abroad is generally looked upon as a matter of privilege and indulgence; and the method taken of dispensing this indulgence according to seniority (unless where peculiar circumstances require it to be otherwise) will, I trust, be approved of by your Grace, as an equitable rule of proceeding.

3. I shall look upon your Grace's next query as a direction for the future to specify, in the notice of a vacancy, whether the brother or sister departed, made his or her abode in the hospital, and also to signify to your Grace, from time to time, to whom leave of absence may be most properly granted.

4. The order against the admission of married persons into the hospitals hath been in my time constantly observed; but was not always (though for the most part) attended to by one of my predecessors§.

* Viz. Elizabeth Lodder, who died in 1768; and Elizabeth Mynton, in 1769. To the latter, who was one of his housekeepers, his Grace also left an annuity of 10 l. Archbishop Secker too appointed some from distant counties; in particular, Rebecca Hobday, in 1762, a near relation of the Rev. Mr. Etough, of Therfield, Herts, at the recommendation of Mr. Archdeacon Plumtre, to whom that eccentric character left his fortune.

† See p. 215. They are now never sworn to observe the statutes till they come to reside.

‡ This case now happens frequently in St. John's, all the houses being inhabited.

§ This order hath not of late been observed, celibacy not being enjoined in Archbishop Parker's Statutes.

5. The dividends arising from fines are ordinarily very inconsiderable. I do not think they yield to each person 10*s.* *communibus annis*. There is too a small allotment of wood, which may amount to about 6 or 7*s.* yearly to each in-brother and sister [and also some fruit]; so that, upon the whole, their annual income may be estimated at about 6*l.* besides the accommodation of a dwelling.

8. The fees for lease and counterpart are only 20*s.**, besides the stamps; out of which, 5*s.* are put into the reparation purse, 5*s.* are laid out upon a small refectory to the brothers and sisters, and the remaining 16*s.* are paid to the clerk of the hospitals, who draws the leases, and reads the statutes to the brothers and sisters yearly, on Midsummer-day, &c.

I shall, with your Grace's permission, note all such particulars in relation to the statutes and customs, as appear to me capable of being improved to the benefit of the hospitals; and at a proper time submit them to your Grace's consideration.

I am, &c.

THOMAS LAMPREY.

The attention bestowed on these hospitals, by this truly benevolent prelate, appears not only by the above, but by the reversionary bequest of 500*l.* (mentioned pp. 180 and 196) which he left, by a codicil to his will, to each, contingent on the deaths of Mrs. Talbot and her daughter. But though both these events have now taken place, the legacies have not yet been paid, for which it may be proper here to account.

The bishop of Chester, his Grace's surviving trustee, having been advised by his counsel, that he could not with safety transfer the stock appropriated to the several charitable purposes mentioned, without the direction of the court of chancery, unless Thomas Frost†, Esq. the residuary legatee of the testator, would give his consent and authority to the said transfer, and Mr. Frost not agreeing to give this consent, and expressing a desire that the opinion of the court might be taken upon all the legacies; the bishop has been under the necessity of applying to the court of chancery, for a decree to establish the will, codicils, and legacies, and to direct his future conduct. An amicable bill therefore has been filed by his lordship's solicitor, Mr. Burn, in which the charities interested (16 in all) have concurred, Mr. Frost's principal objection seems to lie to the sum left to repair, &c. the houses of poor vicarages in the diocese of Canterbury, which is supposed to be by void by the mortmain act; but of this the archbishop was aware, and noticed it in another codicil, leaving the sum given for that purpose to be disposed of as his trustees should approve.

Archbishop Cornwallis was desirous, and had an intention, of making some alterations in the statutes of these hospitals (as he informed Mr Duncombe in a letter, dated Sept. 20, 1770); but finding it would take more time than he was aware of, that design became abortive.

* These fees are now 1*l.* 1*s.* registering included. The stamps are 12*s.* See p. 200, note §.

† Of Nottingham. One of the principal registers of the province of Canterbury, and nephew to the archbishop, being his sister's son.

A P P E N D I X
O F
CHARTERS AND PRIVATE DEEDS

relating to the Hospitals of HERBALDOWN and NORTHGATE.

From the ORIGINALS ; and Two MSS. in the LAMBETH LIBRARY, viz.

N^o 1131, fol. containing the Rev. Mr. HALL's rough draught of his intended Chartulary of Herbaldown Hospital ; and,

N^o 1132. quarto, intituled, " Liber Hospitalium Archiepiscopi, hoc est, Sancti Nicholai de Herbaldown, & Sancti Johannis Baptistæ de Northgate juxta Cantuariam, MDCCLXIV." drawn up by the Rev. Dr. BEAUVOIR, (then) of Canterbury : The Preface to which is here printed at large, as the properest introduction to the following instruments.

MR. HENRY HALL, late rector of St. Michael, Herbaldown, having undertaken to put in order the charters and other deeds belonging to the hospital of St. Nicholas, in Herbaldown, which were in the greatest confusion in the hospital-chest, proposed to transcribe them all, but died before he had perfected his intention. He had transcribed all the charters, and a great part of the private grants, which transcripts are in a book by themselves. It was thought proper to finish the account which he had begun, but not in so laborious a manner. A knowledge of what is the purport of each deed, it was apprehended, would be sufficient, if the deeds themselves were so disposed, that recourse might readily be had to them if there should be occasion. This has been attempted ; and further, an account has been taken of every thing that was contained in the chest of the other hospital of St. John the Baptist in Northgate, where also every thing was in the greatest disorder ; for a compleat knowledge of either is not to be obtained but from both, on account of their common foundation, statutes, and estates ; some things respecting which are deposited in one hospital, and some in the other.

The method, which has been followed, is this. Each deed is wrapped up in a piece of paper by itself, which is indorsed with a number corresponding with the numbers in this book, and hath written upon it the same account of its contents as is contained in this book. This account was copied from the titles prefixed by Mr. Hall to each in his transcript, as far as that went. The deeds are disposed under the names of the respective parishes in which the estates lie, and all the deeds respecting the same estate are put together, and separated from the next donation by a black line. It was not found possible to do this, but by making tables of the bounds described in each deed. And, to render this collection more useful, as good an account as could be procured is added of the present revenues of each hospital.

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The number of these deeds is much increased by the practice, which obtained, of collecting and preserving title-deeds, as far backwards as they could go; and yet the greatest care of this sort has not been able to preserve all their estates to them, as may appear from the loss which St. John's Hospital has sustained of the estate of Wyke*, consisting of 32 acres, and other things, out of which they retain only the quit-rent of 13s. 4d. which had been at first reserved to the monastery of St. Augustine, the lords of the manor; although there are still in the hospital-chest the original donation, the king's licence of mortmain, and the confirmation of the abbey of St. Augustine, besides an ancient map of the land and other evidences; and this was lost after a trial at law†.

Many deeds that are here do not appear to have any reference to the hospitals, and very possibly either did belong to some of the members, or were deposited there for security by other persons. It seems to have been the custom to make the donation to some one or more of the brethren of the hospitals, who transferred the trust to other persons, or to the hospital. Thomas de Wolton‡, of whom there is frequent mention, was master of East-bridge Hospital from 1351 to 1381.

The charters of Herbaldown Hospital are put into an old strong oaken box, guarded with iron plates; and the private deeds into a box, which is divided into four partitions: and both are put into the hospital-chest. There are drawers within the chest belonging to St. John's Hospital for this purpose; and all the writings belonging to this hospital are deposited in them, each drawer being properly labelled with its contents.

It is not necessary to give any history of these hospitals, because little can be added to the account which Mr. Somner has published in his *Antiquities of Canterbury*. It will, however, be but justice to him to take notice of one thing not mentioned either by him or his editor; That the continuance of their pension to the hospitals after the lands of the see of Canterbury were seized by the parliament was owing to a petition which he drew up for them, which is also inserted at the end of the book || intituled, "The Prior's accounts from 1605 to Sept. 14, 1647." Nor may it be improper to observe two mistakes which he has made. The charter of Archbishop Richard § is not in St. John's Hospital, as he says, p. 43. but in Herbaldown. He says too, p. 44. "this hospital's (Herbaldown) ancient governor, now called a master, was a dean," and quotes the subscription of Benedict with this addition, "tunc temporis decani de Sancto Nicolao:" whereas Algar was at that time presbyter of St. Nicholas, and Benedict writes himself only dean, as may be seen in the subscriptions to the deed, which is here copied at large:

"Noverint presentes & futuri quod ego Elueus Pinnesloue concessi Deo & fratribus hospitalis de Sancto Nicholao vi denarios annuatim de domo & de mansione quam Lithe filia Canteuel tenuit & mihi solebat reddere illos vi denarios annuatim Litha. Testimonio Benedicti tunc temporis decani, qui has litteras scripsit, & domini Algari presbiteri de Sancto Nicholao & domini Ade presbiteri, & Simonis de Sancto Andrea. Concedentibus etiam duobus

* At the Moat, now belonging to Earl Cowper.

† The extracts relative to this estate will be printed in the Appendix to Northgate, Chap. V.

‡ Otherwise called Thomas New, vicar of Reculver. See the History of that parish, p. 157.

§ See an account of this book in the Appendix to Northgate, Chap. VI.

§ Printed in the History of "Reculver," p. 126.

"filiis meis Barthol' & Robe." Benedict was most probably the rural dean of Canterbury at that time. This deed, which is without date, seems to be the most ancient in the hospital.

He quotes, p. 50, a letter under the seal of the hospital, requesting alms, to prove that St. John's Hospital was fired in King Edward the Third's time. There is no such letter now in the chest of the hospital. There is one beginning with the same address: "Omnibus sanctæ matris ecclesiæ prælati, ad quos literæ istæ pervenerint, fratres & sorores hospitalis de Northgate de Cantuar' salutem & apostolicam benedictionem: domus siquidem nostra in tanta consistit paupertate & necessitate quod cum maxima miseria vitam indubitanter sustinemus." In this no mention is made of fire, but the recital of their indulgences immediately follows. Yet this seems to be the same that Mr. Somner quotes, p. 51.; for it says, "Et sunt in hospitali nostro centum [the number which he gives] fratres & sorores cæci, claudi, furdi, & aliis diversis infirmitatibus languidi." It was customary for some of the brethren to be sent about the kingdom to collect alms twice a year, for one month before the Nativity and before the Feast of St. John the Baptist, and for three weeks after each; and this continued to be done in Queen Elizabeth's time, ch. III, N^{os} 12, and 13*. At these times they carried letters under the seal of the hospital, reciting the indulgences granted them by popes, archbishops, and bishops (which they were very diligent to obtain) and bestowing a share of them upon their benefactors. In this letter, which seems to be the only one of this sort, they say, "Si quis dicto hospitali nostro anulum, firmaculum, aurum, vel argentum, vaccas, juvenculam, bidentem, agnum, vel vitulum dare vel transmittere voluerit, tradat & liberet procuratori nostro præsentem, & eum recipiemus in fraternitatem hospitalis nostri prædicti, concedentes eidem participationem omnium bonorum operum quæ in prædicto hospitali fiunt in perpetuum." And afterward it is said that these 100 brothers and sisters say daily 30,000 Pater nosters and Ave Marias, the benefit of which, and all other religious exercises, they freely impart to their benefactors. But the brethren of Herboldown set theirs at a cheaper rate, N^o 9. They were in number about eighty, said daily 4000 Pater nosters, Ave Marias, and Credos; and any one might have the benefit of them for giving them any thing of the value of one penny, or even one half-penny. They had indulgences from 53 cardinals and bishops; and this bears date 1398, about 300 years after their foundation; and in this manner they every where hawked about these indulgences. Such was the miserable state of religion that then prevailed!

In an archiepiscopal charter in Herboldown Hospital †, directions are given for settling the payment of the pension to the hospitals, which at that time was charged upon the parsonage of Reculver, so as to prevent disputes between the executors of any archbishop and his successor: and in this mention is made of a custom of the see of Canterbury, That if any archbishop should die between Easter and Michaelmas, "in hoc casu, de consuetudine ecclesiæ Cantuariensis notorie fructus majores & autumpnales ejusdem anni ad ipsum pertinere debebunt."

OSMUND BEAUVOIR.

* Two licences were granted for this purpose, in 1572 and 1585. See the Appendix to Northgate, Chap. V.

† Printed at large in the History of Reculver, p. 148.

ROYAL AND ARCHIEPISCOPAL GRANTS.

1. Grant from King Henry I. of ten perches of land in Blen Wood*.
[Seal worn out, silk bag remaining.]

HENRICUS rex Angl' archiepo Cantuar', & vicec', & omnibus baron', & ministr' & fidelibus suis de Chent†, Francis & Anglis, sal'. Sciatis me dedisse & concessisse, p Dei amore & anima patris & matris mee, & Matilde regine & Wilti filii mei, & p redemptione peccatorum meorum, in acerementum hospitalis, de bosco de Blen, x perticatas terre de bosco ad exsartand' & excolend' undique circa hospitale. Et volo & firmit' p̄cipio ut habitantes in loco illo habeant meam firmam pacem, ne aliquis eis injuriam aut contumeliam faciat. T. Willo elemosinario cap̄llo meo, & Pagano fil' Johis, & Gaufr' fil' Pagan', & Pagan' Peur'‡. Ap̄d Odestoc ||.

2. King Henry the Second's Charter of protection. [Seal much decayed.]

HENRICUS Dei gr̄a rex Angl', & dux Norm' & Aquitan', & com' And', archiepis, epis, abbatibus, archidecanis, decanis, comitib', baronib', justic', vic', & omnibus ballivis & fidelibus suis Angl', salutem. Sciatis qd infirmi de Cantuar', & om̄s res & possessiones sue sunt in manu & custodia & protectione mea. Et ido p̄cipio qd eos & omnes res & possessiones suas custodiat & manuteneatis, & protegetis sic' meas proprias, ita qd nullam violentiam aut injuriam aut gravamen eis faciatis nec fieri p̄mittatis. Et si quis eis super hoc in aliquo forisfacere p̄sumpserit plenariam eis inde sine diloe justiciam fieri faciatis. T. Willo clico de Cam', apud Windefor'.

* Printed in Battely's edition of Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury, part I. Appendix, N° XIV. b. p. 11.

† Kent.

‡ Perhaps Peverel.

|| Woodstock.

3. King Henry the Second's writ for one cartiage every day in Short [Sorotta] wood.
(There is an attested copy of this writ by Somner.) [See N° 5.]

HENRICUS rex Angl', & dux Norm' & Aquit', & com' And', vic' suo de Kent, & ministr' suis, sal'. Concedo leprosis de Herbandona quod habeant singulis diebus unum sumarium* in boscho de Sorotta, ad attrahenda ligna ad op' eor' quamdiu placuerit. T. Tom' ^a Canc', apud Canth'.

4. Grant of twenty marks, "ex redditibus regis in Cantuaria, 19 Hen. II." [1173.]
[This king made another grant to the same effect; 18 Feb. anno regni 23. Seal, much broken, in a yellow laced silk bag.]

HENRICUS Dei grā rex Angl', & dux Norm' & Aquitan', & com' And', archiep'is, ep'is, abbatibus, com', baron', justic', vic', & omnibus ministris & fidelibus suis Angl', salutem. Sciatis me dedisse in ppetuam elemosinam, & presenti carta confirmasse, leprosis de Herboldona xx marcas^b reddit' singulis annis habendas de redditu meo Cantuarie donec eas assigno alibi suscipiendas, ut in ecclia, et in aliis redditibus. T. G.^c ep'o Lond', R.^d ep'o Wigorn', R.^e electo Wint', R.^f electo Hereford', magistro Waltero de Insula, com' Willo de Mand', Willo fil' Andr' Hug' de Creiffi. Apud Westm'.

5. Grant of Richard I. for one cartiage every day in Short^s [Sorotta] wood, November 9. [With an attested copy by W. Somner.]

RICARDUS, Dei grā, rex Angl', dux Norm', Aquit', & com' And', vice-com' & baillivis suis de Kent, salutem. Concedimus leprosis de Herebaldona, quod habeant singulis diebus unum sumarium in bosco de Sorotta, ad attrahenda

* "Summarius" was probably a cart drawn by one horse. Thus in "Decem Scriptores," p. 572, 65. "five plaustris, five quadrigis, five bigis, five summariis comportata." This was to fetch timber for their buildings, "ad attrahenda ligna ad opera eorum." See N° 5.

That it could not be "a load of wood" appears from a charter of the same king, p. 1575, by which he had previously given all his Blenwood ("totum boscum nostrum de Blen") to the monks of Christ Church, excepting one horse-load given by his father to the canons of St. Gregory's, and confirmed by his charter.

In the "Decem Scriptores," p. 1574, Gervas mentions a perambulation, on the oaths of 24 men of the vicinage, of the boundaries of this same wood ("boscum de Blen quod Srutte cognominatur"), made 29 Aug. 1192, 3 Rich. I. by G[eoffry] Prior of Christ Church, with six monks, and Reginald sheriff of Kent, with several foldiers and others, by virtue of a mandate from the chancellor [Longchamp Bp. of Ely,] justiciary of the realm, and the barons of the Exchequer; when all the King had previously given to the monks on each side of the highway was assigned to them. D.

^a Supposed to be Thomas Becket, who was made chancellor in the beginning of this king's reign, and resigned the great seal upon his being made archbishop of Canterbury. This writ must therefore have issued before the 9th of H. II. [H. HALL.]

^b This payment remains to this day—now 13l. 6s. 8d.

^c Gilbert Foliot was bishop of London from 1163 (9 H. II.) to 1187.

^d Roger was bishop of Worcester from 1163 (9 H. II.) to 1179.

^e Richard Trotclive, alias More, was elected bishop of Winton 1173 (19 H. II.)

^f Richard Foliot, bishop of Hereford, was consecrated 6 Oct. 1174 (20 H. II.) [H. H.]

^g At the end of a copy of this, and the like grant of H. II. is written, "Concordat hæc copia cum originalibus chartis, facta invicem collacione fidei per me,

"Willelmum Somner, Notarium Publicum."

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ligna ad opera eorum, p salute nra & p aia patris nri, in liberam & ppetuam elemosinam; & precipimus quod non permittatis quod monachi Cantuar' aut aliquis alius eis aliquam molestiam faciant aut gravamen: precipimus aut' & vol' quod custodiat & protegat ipsa domum & leprosos, & non permittatis quod eis faciat aliquis molestiam aut gravamen; & faciatis eis habere integre redditus suos quos habere debebant & solebant tempore dñi regis patris nri in baillivis nris. T. meipso, apud Rupe * And' ix die Novembris. [Great part of the seal remains. H. H.]

6. The King's writ, "Pro infirmis Hospitalis de Herebandon," 1 March, 1 Hen. III. [1217. A writ to the bailiffs of Canterbury, for payment of xx marks with the arrears granted by K. Henry II. 18 Feb. 23 year of his reign. Seal much broken.]

7. Exemplification of King Henry the Second's grant of twenty marks a year, 12 Oct. 31 Edw. III. [1358. Seal almost perfect.]

8. Breve regium ballivis Cant', pro solutione prædict' xx marc' p an' cum arreag'. 10 Nov. 1 R. II.

A writ to the bailiffs of Canterbury, for payment of xx marks p ann. and the arrears, agreeably to the grant of K. Henry II. 8 Feb. 23d year of his reign. [Seal broken. 1378.]

9. Exemplification and confirmation of grants of xx marks p ann. from K. Henry II. in the 19th year of his reign, and 18 Feb. in the 23d year of his reign, with an exact copy. [1 March, 1 Hen. V. 1414.] (The broad seal perfect, and extremely well preserved.)

10. A confirmation of the twenty marks to be paid out of the chamber of Canterbury, 28 May, 1 Hen. VI. 1423. [not, as it is indorsed, 1 H. VIII. Seal somewhat broken.]

11. Carta de xx marcis, 8 Julii, 12 Hen. VI. [1435. Seal much broken.]

12. Exemplification and confirmation of King Edward the Third's exemplification and confirmation of King Henry the Second's grant of Feb. 18, an. regni 23; dated 14 Oct. 1 Edw. IV. [1461. Seal somewhat broken.]

13. Exemplification and confirmation of King Henry the Second's grant of xx marks a year, 30 Nov. 2 R. III. (The broad seal entire, and extremely well preserved.) [1484. Reciting the exemplifications of E. IV. E. V. and R. II. the exemplifications of the House of Lancaster.]

14. Exemplification and confirmation of the grant in N° 12; 20 Nov. 1 H. VII. [1485. Seal broken.]

15. Another confirmation, 14 April, 2 H. VIII. [1511.] (The seal entire, and well preserved, except the horse's head a little rubbed.)

* Probably *Rupes ad Yonem*, Roche sur Yon in Poitou, or some other place abroad.

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16. Quæta clamatio in perpetuum de decimis & primis fructibus, 2 Maii, 29 H. VIII. [Discharge from payment of first-fruits and tenths *.]
17. Exemplification and confirmation of King Henry the Second's grant of xx marks; and of King Henry the Eighth's discharge from tenths and first-fruits, 2 Dec. 2 Edw. VI.
18. Confirmatio regis Edwardi III. de cxlii. ex redditibus archiep' Cant' solvendis [sede vacante] ipsi Hospitali; & de uno denario singulis diebus ex manerio de Liminge percipiend'; & ulterius ut liberi sint ab oibus taxis, &c, 1 Dec. 9 Edw. III. 1335.
19. Copia cujusdam [prædictæ scil'] cartæ antiq' ex concessione dñi reg' Angl' nunc, que est in custodia fratrum & sororum de Herboldoune.
20. A true translation of the said letters patents.
21. Copia cujusdam cartæ novæ ex concessione dñi reg' Angl', in custodia fratrum & sororum Hospital' de Northgate. 6 Mar. 1371, 4 Edw. III.
22. Copia mandati dñi Willmi Wittlesey, Cant' Archiepi, ad declarand' omnes excommunicatos qui jura & libertates Hospitalibus per cartas dñi Edwardi regis concessas infregerint, 13 kal. April. 1370 *.

WILLIELMUS, permissione divina, Cantuar' archiep'us, totius Anglie primas, & aplice sedis legatus, dilect' filiis commissario nro Cantuar' generali offic' nri Cantuar', ac omnibus & singulis rectoribus, vicar', & capellan' poch', p nras civitatem & dioc' constitut', salm, gram, & bn'. Cum nuper excellentissimus in Xpo princeps & dñus nr dominus Edwardus, Dei gra, rex Anglie & Franc' illustris, ac dñs Hibn', p suas patent' literas, p se & heredibus suis, concesserit pauperibus fratribus & sororibus hospitalium nror' de Northgate & Herboldoune juxta Cant', quod ipsi & successores sui imperpetuum de tallagiis singulis & contribucionib' quibuscunque essent quieti; quodque concessionem suam p alias suas patentes literas ad duo mesuag', &c. post concessionem p'dict' adquisit' etiam innovaram; & concesserit p se & heredibus suis, quatenus in ipso est, quod ipsi fr'es & sorores & successores sui, tam de contribucone tre maritime qm aliis tallagiis, auxiliis, & contribucionibus sup'ius specificatis, ratione trar' & tenementor' suor' faciendis, omni quiete in perpetuum. Ex parte tam' dcor' frm & soror' nobis existit intimatum, quod nonnulli maledictionis & perditionis filii dicte nre dioc', quorum nomina ignorantur penitus & persone, dcos fr'es & sorores ratione bonorum catallorum tenementorum & terr' horum satagunt tallagiarum, & ad contribucionem custodie terr' maritime & ad contribuciones alios sup'script' compellere quam dcos ipsos ratione pmissa talliarunt & contribuere fecerint, jura & libertates p cartas dci dñi nri regis eis ut pmittitur concessas infringendo, in dcor' frm & soror' pjudicium non modicum & regie libertatis lesionem manifestam: Vobis igitur conjunctim, & unicuique vestrum divisim & in solid' committimus & mandamus, firmiter injungentes quamque in singulis ec-

* Enrolled in the Exchequer, 29 H. VIII. and in the First Fruits Office, 24 May, 33 H. VIII.

† See the seal in plate III. fig. 13.

clis n'r' civitat' & dioce' p'dict' & in locis aliis in quibus viderit expedire, & p' partem eor'dem f'r'm & soror' fueritis congrue requisit', diebus d'nicis & festivis inter misfar' solempnia, cum major in eisdem convenerit p'pli multitudo, & divina moneatis & efficaciter inducat' moneri & efficaciter induci p' alios faciatis publice & in genere omnes & singulos qui d'cos f'r'es & sorores occasione bonorum, catall', ten', & terrar' horum talliarunt, seu ad supradict' contribuere fecerint publice & occulte, aut jura & libertates ut p'fertur eis concessas enervare moliantur, quod a p'dict' injuriis & gravaminibus in posterum faciend' penitus desistant, & ab attemptat' hactenus per eisdem eisdem satisfaciant competent', sub pena sententie excoicationis majoris, quam in ipsos malefactores omnes & singulos v'ris monitionibus non parentes & eis in p'missis seu p'missor' aliquo consilium dantes auxilium vel favorem clam vel palam p' vos & vestrum quemlibet volumus a'mone fulminare, ipsosque fuisse & esse excoicat' occasione p'missa publice & inge'ne in eccliis & locis predict' vos insuper p'mandari quociens & viderit quando oportunitum. Presentes quoque literas, cum p' aliquem v'rm execut' fuerint, retenta ear' copia penes vos si volueritis dict' f'r'ibus & sororibus libet'. Dat' apud Otteford xiiii kal' Aprilis, anno D'ni millmo cccseptuagesimo, et n're translat' tercio.

23. Acquittance for LXXIX s. viii d. (two fifteenths) due from the hospitals, and of their lands in Kynghampford, Wyngham, Westgate, and Estry. 1 R. I. 1189.

24. Copy of a writ of King Richard II. to discharge the hospital from payment of a tenth and fifteenth, and half a tenth and fifteenth, in consequence of King Edward the Third's exemption from taxes, 26 March, 3 R. II. 1379.

25. Exemplificatio & confirmatio Reg. H. IV. chartæ Reg. Ric. II. per quam charta Regis Edw. III. an. regni sui 45, de tallagiis, &c. non solvendis exemplificatur & confirmatur, 6 Dec. 1 H. IV. 1399.

26. Exemplification of the preceding charter, 14 July, 1 H. V. 1413.

27. Vera copia brevis d'ni regis, p' exonerat' hospital' de Northgate & Herbal-doune, in com' Kanc', unius integr' xvme & xme. 12 Oct. 9 H.

28. [Pardon from K. H. VI. 13 Jun, 15th of his reign, to the Hospital, for having purchased certain lands contrary to the statute of mortmain; and] L'ra perdonat', 7 Maji, 15 H. VI. 1457. This is a general pardon.

29. 1. 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. (Hic mentio fit foundationis per Lanfrancum.) This charter is printed by Mr. Battely *, App. 61. Part of the counter-seal remains, inscribed RICA. PRIMAS

29. 2. Copia antiqua prædictæ chartæ.

29. 3. A Copy of N° 29, in the hand-writing of Mr. Somner; and the same translated into English.

* And also in the History of Reculver, p. 129.

30. 1. Cor-

30. 1. Confirmatio Ed. I. de revocatione ecclie de Reculver ad cameram archiepiscopus Cant', & ut hospitalia sustineantur ex redditibus ipsius archiepiscopi, 18 Dec. 19 Edw. I. 1291*. See hereafter, p. 240, N° 71.
30. 2. Licence of K. Edw. III. for appropriation of the church of Reculver to the archbishop's table; and for payment of 160 l. p an. out of the revenues of the see of Cant' to the hospitals, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain†. 16 March, 22 Edw. III. 1348. See hereafter, p. 241, N° 72.
30. 3. Order [rather letters patent] of Abp. Sim. Islip, that 160 l. per an. due from the archbishoprick to the Hospitals of Herboldown and Northgate shall be paid for the future out of the [appropriation of the] church of Reculver‡, 8 id. Feb. 1355. [which used to be paid out of the temporalities of the see of Canterbury, with the confirmation of the prior and chapter of Canterbury.] (The seal; see plate III. fig. 11. is entire.)
31. Charta Simonis Islip Archiepiscopi Cant', ejusdem tenoris & dat'. (Part of the seal remains.)
32. Alia charta predicti Archiepiscopi ejusdem tenoris & dat'.
(In dorso.) "Herbold more auncient than St. John's by this, dated 1255; so that "it appeareth that this yere 1617 it is since 262 yeres." (The seal lost.)
33. Confirmatio predictæ chartæ per prior' & capit' Cant'. (In dorso.) "For our "wageffes. Herboldoune perquisitū p frem Willm de Chyleham tunc porem ibid'."
34. Tho. Arundel Archiepiscopi exemplificatio & confirmatio foundationis Cantuariæ§ in hospitali Scti Nichi de Hereboldoun||. (The seal, which see in plate III. fig. 14. is entire, and represents the martyrdom of Thomas Becket.) [18 May 1402.]

(In dorso.) The Confirmation of a chauntry for a pryeste to serve the hospitalls.

THOMAS, permissione divina Cantuarien' archiepiscopus, totius Anglie primas [& Aplice sedis legatus**] dilectis in Xpo filiis priori & priorisse ac fratribus & sororibus hospitalis nostri de Herboldoune salutem, gratiam, & benedictionem. Scrutato registro bone memorie dñi Willelmi Wittleseye predecessoris nostri dotacionem sive ordinacionem perpetue cantarie in hospitali nro predicto reperimus in eodem tenorem qui sequitur

* Printed in the History of Reculver, p. 131.

† Printed in the History of Reculver, p. 141.

‡ Printed in the History of that parish, p. 148.

§ A chantry founded by Abp. Wittlesey, 4 non. Feb. 1371. See p. 183.

|| This exemplification is printed in Battely's edition of Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury,

p. 1. Appendix N° XIV. p. 10.

** These words have a line drawn through them in the original.

continentem. "Universis scē matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Willelmus, permissione divina Cantuarien' archieps, totius Anglie primas, & apostolice sedis legatus, salutem in dño sempiternam. Cum custos quilibet hospitalis nostri de Estbrigge in Cantuaria qui pro tempore fuerit suis sumptibus & expensis invenire teneatur sacerdotem ydoneum, qui jugiter divina celebret coram pauperibus alterius hospitalis nostri de Herboldoune in ecclia Scti Nicholai ibidem, & eorum confessiones audiat, eisque diebus & noctibus prout oportebit ecclesiastica ministret sacramenta; sitque de presenti & erit verisimiliter in futurum difficile stipendiarios reperire sacerdotes ydoneos qui inter dictos pauperes taliter conversari voluerint, presertim cum ipsorum pauperum nonnulli lepra sint infecti; ac pro infectis hujusmodi ipsam hospitale principaliter sit fundatum, nisi forsan mansionem ab eis separatam habuerint & vicinam, cantariamque non mobilem ppetuam obtineant ad victum eorundem capellanorum dotatam competenter: Nos, premissa debito considerationis intuitu pensantes, cureque animarum dictorum pauperum & hospitalis predicti utilitati providere volentes, quandam perpetuam cantariam unius capellani, ut premittitur, divina apud Herboldoune celebraturi fundamus, dotamus, & ut subscribit' ordinamus. Habebit siquidem sacerdos hujusmodi ipsius cantarie perpetuus, in partem dotis ejusdem, unam mansionem sufficientem & honestam edificatam ex opposito porte dicti hospitalis de Herboldoune, cum prediis & gardinis adjacentibus, ac quodam columbari ibidem jam conferend' dicto hospitali de Estbrigge per dñum Willm atte Welle capellanum, de regis licentia jam obtenta, ut inter benefactores habeatur utriusque hospitalis supradicti. Necnon quandam aream prefato hospitali nro de Herboldoune contiguam vocatam Claveringge *. Habebit etiam sacerdos ipsius cantarie de fratribus & sororibus hospitalis de Herboldoune duas marcas de claro p equales porciones annuatim in ppetuum. Reputabitur insuper & erit sacerdos ipse, absque nro aut successorum nostrorum novo onere, unus de numero pauperum in hospitali nro de Herboldoune requisito, propter ipsius conversationem, celebrationes, & orationes quas quasi continue faciet coram eis & inter eos, tantum pcipiens, & taliter, sicut eorum unus, incedens, si voluerit, vestitus, pro reverentia sui ordinis, ut sacerdos secularis. Habebit insuper quinque marcas liberi & securi redditus in denariis tempore dñi Thome Elton, jam custodis dicti nostri hospitalis de Estbrigge, eidem hospitali adquisitas apud Herne, quas solvent quid' Thomas de Court, heredes & assignati ejus, pro terris & tenementis dimissis eis p factum in hac pte sufficiens de solvendo. Ac etiam duas marcas cum dimidia annuat' de custode quocumque ipsius hospitalis nri de Estbrigge p tempe eid' capell' p solvend' ad quatuor anni terminos usualit' principales, quas custos ipse cum ulteriori summa annis singulis de certis terris, reddit' & pastur' libere habere poterit quas

* "Where before, speaking of this hospital, I said the chantry priest dwelt over against the hospital, I find I was mistaken: for the account of the chantry's endowment, given to the commissioners about the time of the suppression, saith he had his dwelling here at Clavering." Somner, Marginal Note.

After Claveringge, in archbishop Wittlesey's Register, is contained as follows, "que mansio cum ipsis prediis, gardinis, columbar' & area, estimatione communi, duas marcas de claro valebit imperpetuum annuatim. Reputabitur insuper, &c." [HALL.]

dictus dominus Thomas custos, eciam sue custodie tempore, adquisivit de domino Thoma de Ros, milite, apud Hothe; super quibus terris & pasturis libere distringere sacerdos ipse valeat p omni tempe ipsar' duar' marcar' & dimid' post unumquemque tm supradictum, per mensem si postea in solucione hujusmodi sit cessatum. Et sic dos ipsius cantarie undecim marcas cum dimidia vel circit' verisimilit' in posterum valebit annuatim. Ad ipsam autem cantariam, quociens eam vacare contigerit custos dicti hospitalis de Estbrigg, qui pro tempore fuerit, sacerdotes ydoneos, qui in ea residere voluerint, & cotidie coram ipsis pauperibus, cessante impedimento legitimo, juxta canonum exigentiam, celebrare divina, aut per alium facere celebrari, & aiar' curam gerere eorundem, ut est dictum, ad que omnia & singula sacerdotes hujusmodi teneri volumus & artari, nobis & successoribus nostris presentabit. Ad sumptus autem reparacionis domorum prefate mansionis & columbaris, ac exhibitionem panis, vini, & luminariorum honestorum p celebrationibus missarum predictarum necessariorum, tenebitur sacerdos ipse ratione predictae dotis sue. Si autem sacerdos ydoneus haberi non poterit qui ipsam cantariam habere velit, & ad celebrationes & curam predictam ac alia predicta oia artari noluerit, ut est dictum, ex tunc custos memorati hospitalis de Estbrigge, qui p tempore fuerit, possessiones dicte dotis supius descriptas ingrediatur & teneat, ac de dictis celebrationibus & cura disponat, sicut prius tenebatur, & prout melius videbitur sibi expedire. In quorum omnium testimon' has literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes sigillo nostro consignatas. Dat' apud Croydone, 1111^{to} non' Februarii, anno Domini MCCCLXXI, et nostre translationis quarto." Nos igitur Thomas, pmissione divina Cantuarien' archiep'us, totius Anglie primas, & aplice sedis legatus predictus, predictam dotacionem, sive ordinationem, ratam habentes pariter & acceptam similiter approbando & quantum in nobis est confirmantes, vobis coit' & divisim firmit' injungendo mandamus quatenus dñm Johannem Bray, capellanum predictae cantarie modernum, tanquam unum de numero pauperum in hospitali predicto admittatis, tantum & talit' sicut alicui alteri pauperi ejusdem, in quibuscumque pecuniar' sumis, seu aliis vite necessariis, effectualit' ministrantes. Dat' in palatio nostro Cantuarie XVIII die mensis Maii, anno Dñi milimo quadragesimo secundo, et nostre translationis anno sexto.

35. Abp. Winchelsey's Statutes, Feb. 24, 1298.

The seal (see plate III. fig. 8.), almost entire, represents a Bishop at full length, holding a cross in his left hand; his right hand lifted up, and his mouth open.

..... S. TOCIVS ANGLIE PRIM..... The rest of the inscription broken off.

Reverse (fig. 9.) represents the martyrdom of Tho. Becket; archbishop praying underneath. Inscription, *Auxilium pro me sit semper passio thome.*

ROBERTUS, pmissione divina Cantuar' archiep'us, totius Anglie primas, dilectis filiis Priori & Prioreffe, fratribus ac sororibus, Hospitalis de Herebal-doune juxta Cantuar', ad perpetuam rei memoriam. Quia nuper in nra visitacione comperimus ipsum hospitale per liberationes extra concessas, & habitas, ex toto diffomes, ac etiam fratrum & sororum ejusdem inordinatos incessus, & modis aliis a

statu congruo multipliciter jam eductum, necessarium ac honestum esse conspiciamus ut id modo debito reformemus.

In primis quoque statuimus, ordinantes, ut omnes fratres & sorores hospitalis ejusdem habitum habeant uniformem; videlicet, tunicam seu supertunicam clausam, & fratres scapularium cum capucio, ac sorores mantellum de grosso ruffeto unius precii & coloris. Fururis insuper & penulis agninis, dumtaxat nigris, levis & ejusdem precii, eosdem ffr̃es & sorores uti volumus & precipimus in futurum. Habeant etiam tam ffr̃es quam sorores de bovino coreo foculares, ultra medium tibie coreo circa tibiam laqueatos, aut de eodem coreo nodulatos, vel botas, non de alio coreo quam bovino. Insuper nec ffr̃es sine scapulario, nec sorores sine mantello, portam exeant quoquo modo. Sorores etiam caput coopertum habeant duplici velo, videlicet albo inferius, & superius nigro, non de subtili panno (sc. grosso), ejusdem precii & coloris.

Item statuendo precipimus imposterum firmiter observari, quod nullus frater aut soror in dicto hospitali de cetero admittatur, nisi persona admittenda in eodem, diligenter prius examinata, Oraçōem dominicam, Pat̃m ñr, cum Salutatione beate virginis, Ave Maria, & symbolum Credo in Deum sciat prius sufficienter instructa edicere distinctius & aperte. Item quod ex nunc muti, qui omnino loqui non poterunt, in dicto hospitali, nec etiam loqui valentes, nisi suum habitum prius habeant, ut preordinatur, preparatum, nullatenus admittantur.

Quicumque vero ffr̃um & soror' consueta suffragia & debita in eodem hospitali instituta ex antiqua ordinatione quolibet die dicenda negligenter omiserit, in proxima sexta feria peccatum suum hujusmodi, coram fratribus & sororibus omnibus hinc sexta feria congregandis, publice fateatur, & ffr̃es a Priore, & sorores a Priorissa, vel ipsis absentibus a tenentibus ipsorum loca, penitentiam subeant salutarem; videlicet quod sabbato pximo sequente, cessante impedimento, hujus suffragia per ipsos omittentes duplicentur.

Fratribus etiam & sororibus hospitalis ejusdem omnem alienacion' terrar', reddituum, ac quorumcumque immobilium possessionum, inpignoracionem etiam mobilium hospitalis ejusdem, sine archiep̃i licentia, faciendam, interdiciamus, sub pena exçonis majoris, in quam contravenientes incidant ipso facto.

Ceterumque nuper in visitacione dicti hospitalis invenimus quod corrodia quibusdam uxoratis, & aliis divitum servientibus, ac ministris aliunde vite necessaria sibi querere valentibus extra ipsum hospitale commorantibus, contra fundatoris illius intencionem, qui voluit omnes de bonis ejusdem hospitalis victualia habentes, ad cetera suffragia infra ipsius loci septa dumtaxat dicenda singulis diebus astringi, vendita & concessa, pauperes & infirmos prefati hospitalis debitis alimoniis, ipsumque hospitale, & ejus ministros, consuetis & ab antiquo institutis orationibus & suffragiis, solitisque obsequiis, propter facultatum diminucionem hujus temere defraudari, in ipsorum vendentium & concedentium grave animarum periculum, & scandalum manifestum; statuendo districtius inhibemus, nè unquam aliquibus personis extra prefatum hospitale in seculo commorantibus vendantur hujus corrodia, vel concedantur, vel aliquialiter solvantur, sc. talibus dumtaxat qui in dicto hospitali continuo stare voluerint, & Deo Altissimo, secundum antiquam observacionem,

orationum reddere suffragia consueta, sub pena excois majoris, quam ex nunc in quoscunque contravenientes proferimus in hiis scriptis, quorum absolucionem nobis specialiter reservamus.

Fratres insuper aut sorores hospitalis ejusdem, sine Prioris aut Priorisse licentia, ex causa dumtaxat legitima concedenda, exterius non vagentur. Causas autem hujusmodi taliter declaramus, ut p negotiis utilibus domus, persone ad hoc idonee & experte, aut pro infirmitate gravissima, vel morte, aut gravi infirmitate parentum seu amicorum, vel pro aliqua recreatione modica, aut pro negociis propriis ad victum necessariis hiis que indigere noscuntur, hujus exeundi licentia concedatur, dum tamen bini & bine nullo modo suspecte simul incedent, & exeuntibus ipsis terminus brevis & competens ut domi redeant statuatur ultra nullatenus moraturis. Quod si voluntarie fecerint, puniantur graviter protinus redeunt. Et si trina vice sic illicenciati exierint, vel in termino sibi ad redeundum statuto redire contempserint, per superiorem ipsius hospitalis custodem a domo perpetuo amoveantur. Et hoc idem quibuscunque fratribus & sororibus domus ejusdem, qui trinis monicionibus aut correccionibus factis de eorum excessibus incorrigibiles fuerint, districte precipimus observari.

Item fratres & sorores garrulosi, contentiosi, aut rixosi, si primo, secundo, & tertio moniti se non correxerint, penis prius eis impositis pro commissis ad quartum excessum super hoc, seu dictum per superiorem custodem ut supra, a domo perpetuo ejiciantur. Idem de inobedientibus, si in rebellionem persistierint, districte precipimus observari.

Item nullus frater, aut soror, in civitate Cantuar', vel ipsius suburbio, extra domum suam supradictam pernoctet, nec de consuetudine comedat, aut diu sine causa evidenti, & ex concessa, ut supra, licentia, diucius moram trahat. Et si super hiis, vel eorum aliquo, inveniatur incorrigibilis, amoveatur a domo post trinum excessum, prius tamen correptus & monitus sicut prius. Item quod aliquis vel aliqua conjugatus, vel conjugata, in fratrem vel sororem dicti hospitalis de cetero non admittatur districtius inhibemus.

De incontinentia vero suspecti, statim coram Priore & Priorissa, & fratribus duobus & duabus sororibus non suspectis, exinde conveniantur, & arguantur. Et convicti statim p superiorem custodem ejiciantur a domo, nullatenus post modum redituri; quanquam enim iidem fratres & sorores certam religionem canonem pficiendam non habeant, obedientiam tamen, ac continentiam ab eisdem fratribus & sororibus, dum ibidem morari voluerint, statuimus, & districte precipimus observari. Ad que etiam in suo ingressu juramentum prestant, coram fratribus & sororibus specialibus
* * * * * [N. B. Two lines of the original are erased.]

Hec vero statuta & ordinationes nostras legi fecimus, & publice recitari, in hospitali predicto de Herebaldoune, in presentia Prioris, Priorisse, ac aliorum fratrum & sororum ejusdem loci, & aliorum quamplurium congregatorum ibidem, die Martis, in festo Sancti Matthei apli, videlicet sexto kaln' Martii, anno Dñi mcccnonagesimo octavo, consecracionis nostre quinto, ut extunc robur obtineant firmitatis, & in singulis suis articulis imposterum, sub interminacione anathematis, fideliter observentur. Dat' die, loco, & anno predictis.

36. Abp. Parker's Statutes (with part of the seal remaining) on paper.

Sept. 15, 1560*.

MATTHEW, by the sufferance of God, Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate and Metropolitan of England; to all Christian people sendeth greeting in our Lord: Whereas amongst other things that do concern our pastoral office, wee have before our eyes the charitable affection and godly zeal that was in divers our predeceffors, archbishops of Canterbury, who founded and erected two severall hospitals; th'one of St. John's in Northgate, in the suburbs of Canterbury, and the other of St. Nicholas of Harbaldown, nigh unto our see, the city of Canterbury; for poor, sick, impotent, and needy people to be relieved and succoured in the same; wee, knowing the provision for the poor to be a thing very acceptable to God in this world, have, for the discharge of our conscience, thought it our duty unto God to see, as nigh as wee can, and the law of God doth suffer, that the said hospitals be used and ordered according to the minds of the founders, our predeceffors.

1. Wherefore wee ordain and appoint, That according to the first foundation, there be in our hospital of St. John's in Northgate xxx† men, whom (after the ancient custome) we will to be called Bretheren; that by this name they may be the rather put in mind of their duty to live together like bretheren in unity, concord, godly agreement, and brotherly love: and xxx† women, whom after the like manner wee will to be called Sisters, which all shall be bound to make their abode, and to dwell, within our said hospital, except they have for their absence a special grant and dispensation by writing, from us or our succeffors, archbishops of Canterbury, for the time being. Providing, and alwayes foreseeing, that there dwell not out of the house above the number of x bretheren and x sisters at any time ‡.

2. Also we ordain, That upon every vacation or avoydance of any of the rooms of the bretheren or sisters, whether it be by death, deprivation, cession, voluntary departing, expulsion, or by any other lawful means; the elder, or the prior, so commonly called, for the time being, with three of his bretheren, within x dayes next after such avoidance, if the brother dwelt in the house, or in the city of Canterbury, and of others that are further off, so soone as he or they have certain knowledge thereof, shall intimate and give in writing unto us and our succeffors, archbishops of Canterbury, or else to the dean and chapter, *sede vacante*, as well the person's name and manner of departing, as also the day, month, and year of such departing, that wee may estioones appoint some other to the said roome.

* These are the same, *mutatis mutandis*, at both Hospitals, and are therefore inserted here, though they mention only St. John's.

† Viz eighteen in and twelve out-brothers, twenty in and ten out-sisters.

‡ In this Hospital there are thirty-one houses, of which thirty are now occupied. D.

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Also we ordain, That henceforth none be admitted brother or sister, but such as shall be named by some certificate from or to our successors under our signet, else shall personally exhibit to the prior for the time being, and to his bretheren, or unto four of them at the least, a grant of a corrody, under seal from us or our successors, or under the seal of the dean and chapter, *sede vacante*: and the elder or prior, upon sight of every such grant, shall within two dayes next following, in the presence of four of his bretheren at the least, admit any such brother and sister without further delay, til there be the full number of xxx bretheren and xxx sisters. And every brother and sister, at his or her admission, shall pay towards the maintaining and repairing of the church and other houses 6 s. 8 d. and have their names written in the table appointed for the same purpose. And the prior shall cause these statutes to be read to every brother and sister, at his or her admission to dwell within the hospital: And also to be read yearly on Midsummer-day before all the bretheren and sisters.

4. Also wee ordain, That every brother and sister, at his or her admission to dwell in the house, shall take a corporal oath upon a book in manner and form following: "I A. B. brother or sister of St. John's in Northgate, shall bear true faith and due allegiance unto the Queen's highness, her heirs and successors; and shall observe and keep all such statutes and orders and rules which now be, or hereafter may be made and given by Lord Matthew, Archbishop of Canterbury, or by his successors, concerning the state of the hospital, not repugnant to the laws of God, nor to the laws of this realm. And I shall obey the elder or prior for the time being, in all things lawfull and honest; and I shall not consent nor agree to sell, to give, to change, to pledge, or by any kind of wayes to alienate any lands, tenements, buildings, pastures, woods, cattle, utensils, stock of money, deeds, charters, or other writings, or any other thing appertaining or belonging to the said hospital, without the consent and assent of the said Lord Matthew or his successors, archbishops of Canterbury, first had and obtained; so God me help, and by the contents of this book."

5. Also wee ordain, That none, having the use of reason and speech, be admitted brother or sister, but such as can say the Lord's Prayer, the Articles of the Faith, and the X Commandments of God, in the English tongue: and that after admission, within a convenient time, they endeavour themselves to learn by heart the brief Catechisme inserted in the book of Common Prayer.

6. Also wee ordain, That all the bretheren and sisters, dwelling within the said hospital, shall diligently come to the church twise in the day, morning and evening, except there be lawfull cause to be absent, and allowed by the prior, there to offer up their common prayers unto Almighty God, and attentively to hear God's Holy Scripture read; and if any be absent, not having sufficient cause, or be slack and negligent in coming to the church; or being there, do use to jangle, to talk or to sleep in the time of Common Prayer, the Administration of the Sacraments, reading of the Holy Scriptures, or the Homilies; if after two admonitions given by the prior to amend that fault, the party estoones commit the like offense, that
brother

brother or sister, whither it be, shall be punished in the stocks * one half day or more, at the discretion of the prior, for his or her correction. And if that brother or sister, after such punishment, will not amend, but continue still that lewd behaviour and example, wee will, that the prior, with the assent of four of his bretheren, do give knowledge unto us, our successors, or lawfull deputyes, of the evil qualities of that brother or sister, that wee, following the example of a good surgeon, may eftsloones cut off that member, which is not only unprofitable, but also hurtfull to the whole body.

7. Also wee ordain, That no brother dwelling within the said hospital, goe abroad without the precincts and limits of the same, except he first shew to the prior a just cause of his going, and the prior do allow the same; the sisters in like sort shall not goe forth without a just cause first shewed to the prioress, and by her allowed. Whosoever shall do contemptuously to this order, shall (after three monitions given him by the prior, if it be a brother, and by the prioress, if it be a sister) be punished in the stocks * at the discretion of the prior. Provided, That no brother or sister being in the house, dwelling, be absent more than two months in the year, jointly or severally, except in common causes of the house, &c. and that the prior do make a note of their going and returning again, for the more certainty.

8. Also wee will and ordain, That there be a prior chosen yearly within one month next before the feast of All Saints, or within one month next, and immediately following the said feast, in such form and order as of an old custome hath been used: and as the bretheren do choose their prior, so wee will and ordain, that the sisters shall choose a prioress. At which day the prior is chosen, shall be allso chosen four of the skillfull, sober, and discreet bretheren, to be assistants and counsellors to the prior that year, as well in things appertaining to the state of the house, concerning the lands, tenements, and reparations, as also in the due execution of the statutes.

9. Also we will, that the prior shall understand, that his office is to see that his bretheren keep and observe the statutes and ordinances of the house; as of the prioress, to call upon her sisters in like manner to do the same. The prior, and one of the bretheren with him, or else two of the four bretheren, shall every year twise at the least, that is to say, at Easter and Michaelmas, see and view their church, their houses both at home and abroad otherwayes, that, where need is, reparations may be done in time; and to take diligent heed, that neyther any of their lands be changed, nor stript, ne wast upon their grounds, nor in their houses, be made by any of their tenants. The prior himselfe, or some one of his bretheren, must have from time to time a diligent eye to the woods which serve for provision of the house, that no spoil, ne wast, be made of them; and that the springs be sufficiently fenced, and kept from cattle.

10. Also we will and ordain, That the prior, and one of the bretheren, as hath been aforetime accustomed, shall faithfully collect and gather up the rents and sums

* Q. Whether this can be justified by law, these statutes not having been confirmed by act of parliament? Certain it is that this punishment is never inflicted. D.

of money due to the house: and every year once, in the presence of all the bretheren, or of ten at the least, make a true, and perfect, and plain accompt of the same, in such form and order as shall be prescribed by us; and in the end of the accompt shall deliver up there that money which shall be found to be in his or their hands, which money shall be layd up in a treasury-house, in a coffer with three several keys and locks: in which coffer we will the foundation of the house, the charters and grants, and confirmations of charters, the statutes, all leases, and the common seal, be warily kept: and the prior to keep one of the three keyes, and two of the brethren the other two, and no one man to have two of those keyes in his custody at one time; but if any of the keepers go from home, he shall leave his key with a brother that hath no key; and the prioress shall keep the key of the treasure-house door.

11. Also we will and ordain, That if any brother shall, by the testimony of six of the bretheren, or any sister, by the testimony of six of the sisters, be convicted before the prior, to be a common drunkard, a quarreller, a brawler, a scold, or a blasphemous swearer; every such offender, so convicted, shall for the first time sit in the stocks * one day and a night with bread and water; and offending in that fault again, shall the second time be punished in the stocks * two days and two nights; and for the third offence in the same crime, three days and three nights with bread and water only *; but if, after the third punishment, he or she do estoones offend in the like offence, then to be expelled and driven out of the house for ever.

12. Also we ordain, That if a brother or sister be accused before the prior, of fornication or adultery, or that he or she receiveth or maintaineth fornicators, adulterers, or any such leud persons, he or she, whether it be, shall within one month next after any such accusations, make his or her purgation, before the prior and his four brethren, after this manner: The brother accused shall bring six of his brethren, who shall depose upon a book before the prior, that in their consciences they think that man not faulty in that crime that he is accused of. The sister shall bring six of her sisters, which, by virtue of an oath, shall testifie, that in their consciences they think she is not faulty in the crime objected against her; which if they do, the prior shall pronounce the party accused to be clear and free from that fault. But if either brother or sister faileth in his or her purgation, then the prior shall pronounce that person to be faulty and convicted of the crime, and immediately for the same expulse that person out of the house.

13. Also we will and ordain, That no lease of any lands, houses, tenements, or stocks of cattle, shall pass under the common seal for term of years, without the assent of us, and our successors, first had and obtained to the same: and no reversion to be given before the lease be fully expired, or within one year of expiring †.

* See note, p. 216.

† A concurrent lease, by the law of the land, may be granted three years before the former lease expires. D.

14. Also we will and ordain, That every of the LX brethren and sisters quarterly, out of the vii^s. viii^d. paid unto every of them by us and our successors, shall allow and leave in the prior's hand viii^d. amounting in the whole to the sum of viii^l. which shall be employed to the stipend of an able priest *, to be nominated, appointed, and admitted by us and our successors, to be their curate, to instruct them how to live in the love and fear of God, and to minister unto them Christ's Holy Sacraments.

15. Also, if any brother or sister shall willingly or wittingly do contrary to the oath taken at his or her admission, for the due observation of these statutes; we will and ordain, that every such person, upon a sufficient proof thereof made, shall be accepted, reputed, and taken as perjured; and for his offence shall be expelled out of the house, never after to enjoy any alms thereof.

16. Furthermore we will and ordain, That it shall not be lawful for the brethren and sisters of the said hospital, at any time, to abrogate or change, or by any means hereafter to alter, these statutes, rules, and ordinances, or any of them, or any part of them, without our assent in writing under our signet first obtained and had.

17. And if any scruple or doubt shall hereafter arise about the same, or any of them, we reserve the interpretation of them to us and our successors; and that we during our life, may, if we see just cause, put to, change, abrogate, and disannul them, and every of them, at our will and pleasure.

18. And for the more authority, and better confirmation, of these statutes, we the said Matthew have put to our seal; and the brethren and sisters, for a sure band for the due observation of the same on their partie, have put to their common seal.

Given in our manner at Lambeth, the 15th day of September, in the 2d year of our sovereign Lady Elizabeth, by the grace of God, Queen of England, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith, &c. and of our consecration the first.

* The following note is entered in the margin: "This statute had bene fraudulently razed, and vi pence quarterly by the brothers detained from their priest's stipend; but the fraud being discovered by a collation of thes statutes [viz. of Herboldown] with the statutes of St. John's; it was ordered by my Lord's Grace, March 20, anno 1611, that this statute should be restored, and the ancient stipend unto the priest revived. *Sic testor, MARTIN FOTHERBY* †."

The same stipend is paid to the chaplain, or reader, to this day. D.

† "Son of Maurice Fotherby, of the ancient and genteel family of his name living at Grimsby in Lincolnshire; which Martin having been bred Fellow of Trinity College in Cambridge, was, after he had been Prebendary of Canterbury 22 years, consecrated at Lambeth on the 18th of April, 1618, [Bishop of Salisbury]. He surrendered up his last breath on the eleventh of March, an. 1619, and was buried in All-Saints Church in Lombard Street within the city of London. Soon after was a very fair monument erected over his grave, with a large inscription thereon, but destroyed by the great fire that happened in London in the beginning of September, 1666. He hath extant at least four Sermons, besides his 'Atheomastix,' which being put into the press before his death, was not published till 1622, fol." Ath. Ox. I. 726.

Additions

Additions * to the former Statutes, made by the said Reverend Father in God,
August 20, 1565.

[19. ITEM, We will that the minister, to whom we have committed the charge of your soule, shall be no underling to the prior, or at his commandment, but, for his office sake, equal with the prior; and the minister to assist the prior with counsel, and the prior to assist the minister in executing our statutes; that as in name ye be called, so in the whole conversation of your lives, ye may live together like bretheren and sisters before God and the world.]

20. Item, We will that none, having our dispensation to be an out-brother or sister, be suffered to be an in-brother or sister, until he or she hath surrendered to us or our successors his or her dispensation: and then to have a new warrant from us or our successors, to be received an in-brother or sister.

[21. Item, We do ordain, that all and every of the bretheren or sisters, being at home and in health, do go every Sunday together in seemly order, to hear the sermon at Christ's Church.]

22. Item, We will that every brother or sister do keep clean and sweet their dorter-chambers †, and do lie in the same two weeks in the year at least, between the feast of the Annunciation of our Lady, and the feast of St. John the Baptist.

23. Item, We will the prior to see, from time to time, that the said dorters * be sufficiently repaired; or else, after two admonitions given by the prior before the bretheren and sisters in the common hall, and yet not amended, to stop so much of his or her wages, as he by the advice of two or three of the bretheren shall think reasonable for the sufficient repairing of the same.

MATTHEW CANTUAR^s.

Additions again, May 20, 1574.

24. ITEM, We will and ordain moreover, that whatsoever brother or sister shall hereafter offer his or her corrody to sell, or shall lay the same to mortgage, the same person shall immediately for the same fault or offence, upon a sufficient proof thereof by two witnesses, cease to be taken any longer for a brother or sister, and shall lose his or her living in this our hospital, by expulsion out of the same house, and be deprived from all the commodities of the same. And also, that he

* "N. B. That in the additions here wanteth one, whereby the priest is made equal to the prior, and adjoined unto him as an assistant in the government of the howse, as may be seen in the statutes of St. John's hospital, p. 16." The omission noticed by Dr. Fotherby are here supplied from Strype, being the first of the additions, and numbered 19. He has also supplied another omission, which is numbered 21.

† There was formerly a large building in St. John's Hospital, called the Dorter (or Dormitory) which was taken down by the order, or consent, of Archbishop Potter in 1744. D.

or she, which is not a brother or sister, and hath bought any such corrody, shall never have grant or other corrody to be admitted into any of the same rooms so bought and bargained for.

25. Item, We will and ordain, that every in-brother and in-sister, and so many of the out-brothers and out-sisters as be dwelling within the city of Cant', or near thereunto, and having the use of speech and reason, shall once every year in the time of Lent, before Easter, being called thereunto, come and say over the catechisme, either before the minister of your house, or before him whom we or our successors shall appoint for the same matter; and that brother or sister which shall refuse to be obedient to this order, and doth not learn the catechism against the same time, or else doth negligently forget the same, after he or she hath once learned it, that brother or that sister so offending shall want or lose his or her quarter's stipend at the next quarter-day following, for the same offence, and be further punished, as we or our successors shall appoint, if they do not conform themselves to this order afterwards. And the said quarters stipend, or stipends, in such sort abridged, and taken from such unorderedly persons, shall go to the reparation of the house to be immediately employed upon the same.

MATTH. CANTUAR'.

37. A parchment book in quarto (with an iron box, in which was formerly, as supposed, the Archbishop's seal) containing the same statutes of Abp. Parker, with observations in the margin in the hand-writing of Dr. Fotherby, and the following injunctions of succeeding Archbishops.

Order of Archbishop Whitgift, 1591.

WHEREAS I have received very certeine information, that divers inconveniences have already growen, and are likly to growe dayly, to the two hospitalls of Harbaldowne and St. Johns, by the children of such brothers and sisters as have lived in them, for that after the death of their parents they are left as orphanes in the sayde hospitalls, to the greate disquiet and charge of the poore bretheren and sisters there: I have thought good to set downe this order and decree, for the redresse of this disorder and inconvenience, that hereafter there be noe children admitted into the sayde hospitalls. But in case the parents be admitted as brethren or sisters into them, they shall otherwise provide for the bringinge upp of their said children, and not charge or trouble the said hospitalls with them; which order and decree I doe will to be inviolably kept, and to be registred in eyther of the said hospitalls, for the better observacon thereof. Yeoven under my hand and seale at Lambeth the xxth of May, mccccxcī, anno regine Elizabethæ xxxiii.

JOH. CANTUAR'.

Regulations of Abp. Abbott, 1618.

2*. WHEREAS the priors of Harbaldowne, together with theyr assistants, and others of the brotherhood, have, by an unsufferable boldnesse, worthy of punishment, presumed to make leasses of their lands without my consent, whereunto the letter of the statute dothe necessarilye binde them, which consent of myne in these cases I doe not otherwise passe then under my owne hand, whatsoever some have otherwise conceyved, because such grantes, beinge allredye passed under their common seale, cannot well be recalled or annulled: For preventing the like inconveniences for the tyme to come, my order is, that none presume to exchange or demise theyre lands, in ether of the hospitalles, without my speciall assent and consent therunto required. And forasmuch as there hath bin a stocke of xii kine and a bull, which now is no longer in beinge, but is alienated from the hospitall at Harbaldowne, and the lands and houses which wear made over to the hospitall to secure the sayd stocke have of late bin released; my order is, that the matter be throughe examined, and that wee may be certified. And seeinge ther is a new farmer of late admitted, which hathe taken upon him to make good ther stock at the end of xxi years; I hold it necessarye that he give in good caution to the hospitall, and that subsidie men be bound with him and for him.

3. I think it fitt and convenient that the master of the hospitalles have a coppie of theis statutes; and therefore doe foe ordayne, that for the preseruing of the letter of the statute from defacinge or razinge, and for which the brothers of Harbaldowne have bin heretofore challenged by my predecessor, that the master by offering the coppies of bothe bookes, the statutes beinge the same in bothe hospitales, transcribe a perfect copie of all statutes and injunctions therein containyd, for his direction.

4. I doe furthermor injoyne that the minestre in either of the hospitalles, according to my Lord Archbyschoppe Parker's injunctions, be equall with the prior in all things. And consequently that he be called to all fraternities and meetings; and that noe busyness of the hospitalls be transacted without him.

5. That in regard that the evidences and writings of the hospitall at Harbaldown have bine loselye kept, and som embeayzeled; as it is thoughte, which if ther be good prooffe, I will surely punish; I doe likewise appoint, that the minester of Harbaldown, in regard that he is a sworne in-brother, and is otherwise made equall to the prior in all respectes, have one of the three keyes of the muniment cheste.

6. That the prior and his assistants at Harbaldowne produce theyre ancient original rentall in parchement, which is usuallie kept in everie hospitall, and hathe the lyke latlye bin shewed to the master by the brothers of St. John's; which if they shall fayle to exhibite, I shall have juste cause to suspect that thay have lost or embeazeled it amonge other writinge, or els that thay doe on purpose conceale it to cover their misdemeanours in defraudinge of the bretheren of their right, for which thay have bin suspected and challenged, and shall be by me condignely punished.

* So numbered in the Original.

7. Further.

7. Furthermore, because that the treasure or stocke of mony belonging to the hospitall at Harbaldowne is now in the hands of needy persons, whose wants and necessities may drive them to unlawfull practices; I doe enjoyne them to give an account quarterlie of all their resytes, and particularlie to shew what hath bin expended; and their severall items and reckonings to be allowed by a competent number of the brothers.

8. Wheareas their hath bin a custome amongst the brothers of St. John's, that the executor of a deceased brother doth claime somtimes a quarters, somtimes halfe a yeares profit, after his death, to the prejudice of the next successor; I doe utterly abolish that order, as unjust, unlawful, and unconscionable; and doe appoint the brother or sister presently upon his admission to enter upon all profits and emoluments that maye accrew unto him by the house.

9. The lyke custome at Harbaldowne of exactinge xv s. vi d. of a brother to be admitted*, besydes his reparation noble, I doe utterly abolish as a meer extortion; as also that St. John's of exacting x s. at admission; and whatsoever payments for drinking at buriales, wherwith the poor are wrongfully burthened.

10. I doe preciselie forbid forrainers and strangers, who are not members of the house, to be lodged in either of the hospitalls; and if any sache have hertofore out of indulgence bin admitted, that thay presently voyd the house.

11. Wheras yt is not the true meaninge of the statutes, nor the practise of anye well-ordered hospitall, that married couples should cohabit and lodge together within any of our hospitalles, the place beinge cheefly intended to single persons, and such as have a purpose so to continew (to which form I purpose, God willinge, heereafter to reduce them); yet, because sache married couples are now harbored within our sayd hospitalles, upon good advise I doe order, that the husbands or wives of such as are in-brothers or in-sisters, shall give bond to voyd the house immediatly upon the death of the said in-brothers or in-sisters.

12. Furthermor, wheareas there are children borne in our hospitalles, and others are nursed and brought up there, to the annoyance of the places, and with which the hospitalles are lyke to be burthened; because I knowe that to be agaynst the intent and meaninge of the statutes, that woemen that are breeders, and within the age of childbearinge should be admitted in-sisters; I doe therefore comānd that my Lord Whiteguistes injunctions in this behalfe maād and set downe in both ther statute-bookes, concerninge the forbiddinge of children to be brought into the hospitalles†, be forthwith put in execution, and that the hospitalles be ridde and freed from thes incombrances.

13. Lastlye, touchinge the succession unto the voyd houses or gardens of any in-brothers or sisters deceased, I am contented thay passe accordinge to senioritie, unles, by beinge a disordered person, the next senior be thought unworthie and incapable of this favour. Provided alwayes, that I reserve unto myselfe a power freelye to give house and garden when I shall thinke it fitt, this my consent herein delivered notwithstandinge. August 17, 1618.

* 3s. 4d. is all that is now paid (in bread and beer) to the brothers and sisters, at each hospital, on admission. D.

† See p. 220.

By the Lorde Archbishope of Canterbury [Sheldon] his Grant, 19th of February 1663.

BEING given to understand that the in-brothers and sisters of my two hospitalls of Northgate and Harbledowne, after there admission, doe sometimes marry, and that to strangers, persons not members of the house, nor subject or sworne to the orders and government of the same, and such sometimes as bringe a traine of children alonge with them, to the great incumbrance of the house, and the defeatinge the founder's intention :

For remedie, therefore, and prevention of this abuse and corruption in time to come, I doe hereby order and decree, that if any in-brother or in sister of either of my said hospitalls, already admitted or to be admitted, shall heereafter marry to or with any person that shall not then be a member of the house, hee or shee soe marrying shall ipso facto forfeite and forgoe his or her in-brothers or in-sisters place; and shall forthwith quitt or be expelled the house. And that this my order and decree may have its full effect, my further will and pleasure is, that it bee forthwith entred and registred in the statute booke of each hospitall, that every brother and sister may take notice of it, and conforme unto it as a statute, which by there oath they shall bee obliged to observe equally with the rest. Given under my hand and signe manuall att Lambeth, the nyneteenth day of February, 1663.

GILB. CANT.

Archbishop Sancroft's Regulations, 1686.

To the Masters, Priors, Brothers, and Sisters of the Hospitalls of St. Nickolas in Harbledowne, and St. John's Norgthgate, neere Canterbury, respectively,

WILLIAM Lord Archbishop of Canterbury sends greetinge in our Lord God. Wheareas wee have bin informed that som of the in-brothers and in-sisters of our hospitalls of St. Nicholas in Harbledowne, and St. John's Northgate, neare Canterbury, doe live and vend in other places, and not in the houses allotted to them in the said hospitalls, without any leave or dispensation from us had, contrary to the statuts of the said hospitalls, wheareby, and besides many other inconveniences, the said houses goe much to decay and ruine: For the prevention of these mischiefes, wee do heareby decree and ordaine, that all such persons before menthoned, who at present live out of the said hospitalls, and have houses there, doe, before the feast of St. John Baptis next ensewing, repair to and dwell in their said houses, except they obtaine our dispensacion according to the statuts of the sayd hospetalls: And that the priors of the respective hospitalls shall, upon the receipt heareof, forthwith give notis to the persons confernd, that if they doe not obey this order, the prior shall detaine their stipend for the publick use of the hospitall; and if they doe not perform this order within six monts after the feast of St. John Baptis, their places shall be pronounced in the Frater-hall by the master

ter and prior of each hospitall to be actually void, of wiche the prior shall give notis to us and our successors, under his hand as usealy. And if hereafter any in-brother or in-sister that shall be admitted into either of the said hospitalls shall not dwell in their respective houses within one month after there admittance, then there stipends shall be detained as before for the publick use; and if within six monts aft that thay shall not com and actually inhabit there, that then their place shall be actually void, as in case of death. And case wee or our successors shall see reson to grant any such dispensation to any person, yet the prior of each hospitall shall detaine after the rate of sixpence a month, during there absence, out of the pension of each person soe dispensed with, to be layd out one the repaires of their sayd hoses soe uninhabited, in case thay want any, and if not, for the publick repaires of the hospitall. And for the better keeping of the said houses in repaire for the time to com, we doe heareby order and decree, that twice in the yeare, to wit, in the month of March and September, the master, or such persons as he shall apoint, with the prior of each, shall take a perticuler survey of the wants of repaires of all the houses and bildings in both hospitalls; and in case any of them neede repairing, the prior shall forthwith give notis to the respective persons concernd therein, that within two month they make good such repaires; and in case thay neglect to make good such repaires within the said time, the prior of each hospitall immediately, with the approbation of the master of the hospitall, set men on worke to make good such repaires, and deduct the charges of doing thereof out of the stipends of the sayd partis; and the prior shall take care that the publique bildings, such as the chappell and hall, and other bildings, of each hospitall, be repaired; and that the master of the said hospitalls give us and our successors notis of the observation of this decree every year in the month of October.

And whearras som persons, by reason of age and infirmite, cannot be sufficiently provided for alone by the stipends of the respective hospitalls, wee doe heareby further decree and ordaine, that, before the admision of any in-brother or in-sister, either the officer of the parish from whence thay com, or som other substantiall person, shall give security by bond to the respective priors for the time being, in case the master of the respective hospitalls require the same, that, by reason of sicknes, age, or other infirmities, such persons admitted cannot live and be maintained by the stipend of the said hospitalls only, that then such further reasonable allowance shall be made to them, out of the respective parishes whence such persons com, as the Deane of Christ Church Canterbury, or the Mayor of Canterbury for the time being, or any one of the justices of peace, not being of the said parish, shall think fit to order to be allowed*. And wee doe alsoe heareby injoyne the strict performance of the statuts of each hospitalls, against the admision of

* Certificates, which had been usual, being ineffectual as the Hospitals are extra-parochial; such a bond as is above required is now given, on every admision, by some friend of the pauper, obliging himself, under a penalty of 20*l.* to pay weekly whatever two justices of the peace for the county may order, in case the person admitted should by accident or infirmity be unable to subsist on the stipend of the Hospital. D.

children and grand children, or other persons to dwell with the said in-brothers or in-sisters in ether hospitall, unles it be found needfull by the master of the hospitall for any of the in-brothers or in-sisters to have som com of theire children or relations to nurs them in their infirmities and sicknes, and that the master of the hospitalle doe imediately examin what persons in each hospitall now residing are concerned in this decree, and see it imediately put in execusion, and certifie this allso to us and our successors in the month of October every yeare, as before.

And wee doe heareby further order and decree, that all payments and stipends, payable to any in-brother or in-sister, or out-brother or out-sister, that shall dy or depart this life at any time heareafter shall goe and be payd from the time of there death into the reparacon purse of the respective hospitalls untill the day of admittance of sum other person or persons into there respective place or places; and once in a yeare, in the month of October, the said reparation purse shall be cast up, and account made by the prior to the master of all the payments and disbursments relating to the same, which account shall be made apart by itselfe.

And wee doe allsoe heareby injoyne and command, that the readers of each respective hospitall shall strictly observe the statuts of the same hospitalls, in catechising the in-brothers and in-sisters, espelhaly in the time of Lent; and in case he be remis therein, the master of the said hospitalls shall informe us thereof; and in case any of the in-brothers or in-sisters shall be neglygent in their duty hearein, thay shall be severly punished acording to the statuts. And our will and command is, that these severall decrees and orders, and things contained, be forthwit transcribed into the boock of statuts of the respective hospitalls, and forever heareafter be performed and kept as the rest of theire statuts are and ought to bee. Given under our archiepiscopal seal, this fourth day of March, in the third yeare of the reain of our soverin Lord James the Second, by the grace of God, over England, Scotland, France, and Ireland king, defender of the faith, and of our consecracione the tenth, anno Domini 1686.

38. Sequestration of Eastbridge Hospital by Abp. Courtney, 25 July, 1394.
This seems to be an ancient copy.

WILLM'S, permissione divina Cantuarien' archiepus, tocius Angl' primas, & aplice sedis legatus, dilectis in Xpo filiis magro Wilto Savage, in legibus baccalaureo, & Johi Bedell, notario publico, ac rectori ecclie beate Marie de Bredman nre dioc', salutem, gratiam, & benedictionem. Ad nrm nuper pyenit auditum quod nonnulla onera hospit' Scti Thome martyris de Eastbregge, nre civitat' Cantuar' incumbencia, minime supportant', hospitalique pdict' nonnullis punic' & accoib' tam in domibus quam in rebus aliis ad ipsum hospital' pertinentibus abinde noscitur in presenti: Nos igitur, ex causis predictis & aliis nos in hac parte moventibus, omnes & singulos fructus, redditus, & pvenciones hospit' pdcti tam psentes quam futu-

ros dirigimus sequestrand', prout tenore p'sencium sequestramus, vobis committim' & vestrum alter' divisim committim' & mandam' quacumque sequestr' nrm hmōi publicantes & ad ipsor' pro *mtesos** notitia deducentes fructus, redditus, & proveni' hospital' p'di' sub arta & salva custodia sequestr' sicuti p' eisdem v'ro volueritis periculo spondere, donec aliud a nobis super hoc hueritis in mandatis; contradictores quoscumque auctoritate nra apostolica compescendo. Et qm̄d' in p'miss' feceritis, seu vrm alt' fecerit, nos, cum ex pte nra fueritis requisiti, distincte & aperte certificetis Iris vris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem sigillo autentico confignatis. Dat' in manerio nostro de Maydenstan, xxv die Julii, anno Dñi millo ccc nonagesimo quarto, & nre translationis xiiii.

39. An Indulgence from William (of Wykeham) Bp. of Winchester to this Hospital to ask alms through his diocese, 22 Jan. 1355. The seal very fair. (see plate III. fig. 12.)

WILL'S, permissione divina, Wynton' epus, dilectis filiis universis abbatibus, prioribus, archidiaconis nris Wynton' & Surr', & eorum offic', decanis, temporalib' rector', vicariis, & capellanis parochianis nobis subditis p' nras civitatem & dioc' constitutis, salutem in amplexibus Salvatoris. Indigenciis pauperum fratrum & sororum hospitalis Scti Nicholai de Herboldown paterno comparentes affectu; universitatem vestram rogamus & oramus, cum fratres p'dci vel eorum veri nuncii ad vos venerint, pro elemosinis Xpi fidelium petendis ac eciam colligendis, ipsos pauperes seu nuncios admittatis benigne, eisdemque ad sustentacōem eorum gratia capiatis, subsidia erogetis, & pauperes erogari & subditam vobis plebem hujusmodi subsidia eisdem liberar' integral' facientes. Et ut ad id mentes v're ac aliorum fidelium p'pensis excitentur, de Dei omnipotentis misericordia, beate & gloriose semperque virginis Marie genitricis ejusdem, necnon & beatorum apostolorum Petri & Pauli, sanctorumque, confessorum, virginum, S. Mich' Archangeli, omniumque sanctorum & precibus confidentes, omnibus Xpicolis p' nras civitatem & diocesim confitentes, & aliis p' nram diocesim, hanc nram indulgentiam ratam habuerunt & acceptam, peccatis suis vere pœnitentibus & confessis, que de bonis sibi a Dei collatis quicquam contulerunt, legaverint, seu quovismodo assignaverint fratribus & sororibus supradictis, ac pro statu, tranquillitate, & pace ecclesie, regis, & regni Angl', ac animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, devote oraverint, quadraginta dies indulgentie concedimus p' p'sentes; ratificantes insuper, quantum in nobis est, omnes indulgentias in hac parte p' concessis, & nris temporibus concedendas. In cujus rei testimonium, sigillum nrm fecimus huic apponi. Dat' apud Suthwerk, xxii^o die mensis Januar', anno Dñi millo ccc^o quinquagesimo quinto, & nre cons' decimo.

* This word, though certainly wrong, we cannot better decypher.

40. Copy (with an interlined Translation) of the Survey of Herboldown Hospital, taken by K. Henry VIII's Commissioners, by virtue of his Commission. Dated 14 Feb. ann' reg' 37, 1546.

The Translation (abovementioned) is as follows:

County of Kent. The Hospital of St. Nicholas of Harboldowne.

IN the survey, or yearly value, of all and singular colledges, free-chapels, chanteries, hospitalls, brotherhoods, guilds, and stipendiaries whatsoever, having any perpetuall stipend or perpetuity, scituat and being in the said county of Kent, and charged or chargeable to the payment of first-fruits and tenths, taken and had before the reverend Father in Christ Thomas [Cranmer] archbishop of Canterbury, Henry [Holbeach] bishop of Rochester, Thomas Cheyney, John Baker, Thomas Moyle, Richard Longe, John Guildeford, and William Finche, knights, Anthony Aucher, — Sydley, Paul Sidney, Richard Modye, Thomas Spylman, and Thomas Greene, esquires, John Osborne, Thomas Walton, and John Wyte, gentlemen, commissioners of our lord king Henry VIII. by vertue of his commission dated 8th day of February in the year of his reign 37th, to enquire as well of the true yearly value of the said colledges, and other the premisses, as in divers other articles in the said commission specified, according to the tenor and effect of a certaine act in parliament at Westminster in the said 37th year of the foresaid king holden, in that behalfe published and provided, amongst other things is contained as followeth:

<p>The scite and one gardin, with one orchard*, containing by estimation 111 acres, in the tenure and occupation of the prior and brethren, priorisse and sisters of the hospitall, to their and the common use of the hospitall, now extended by the yeare</p>	}	xxs.
<p>A ferme† of one messuage, two barnes and one stable, within the said scite, and of one close of arable land, called xviii acres, and of another close to the same adjoyning,</p>	}	

* This old orchard, containing two acres and a half, 20 perches, and Isabel Mead (afterwards mentioned) containing 13 acres and a half, are now let on lease to Mrs. Elizabeth Laddell at a reserved rent of 14 l. per ann.

† This farm, now called The Brotherhood Farm, with Brentsfield, Lawrence Tenement, Ladder's Croft, the Grove, &c. in the whole 41 acres, and 9 roods, are now let on lease to Mrs. Elizabeth Young at a reserved rent of 43 l. 10 s.

The site of the said hospitall, with the demesnelands, and with diverse quit-rents appertaining to the same.

containing viii acres, as also of one croft, called The Ladder, containing iiii acres, and also of one close called Greate Brents, containing v acres, and of one croft, to the same adjoyning, called Little Brents, containing ii acres, and of one close arrable, with a peece of land adjoyning, called Dunland, containing vii acres, and of one pasture called The Grove, containing ii acres, [in the whole xxxvi acres,] so demised to John Bynge by indenture dated day yeare of the now king Henry VIIIth, for the terme of seven yeares, yeilding therefore at the feasts of th'Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary and of St. Michael th'Archangel, in moneyes vi. and in the price of ii quarters of greene pease xiii s. iv d. ten measures of wheate or corne viii s. iv d. five quarters of oates x s. one hogge ii s. and the pasture of ten cowes and of one bull with straw to be fedd, between the feast of St. Andrew th'apostle, and St. George the martyr, xxi s. viii d. and xx d. the head. In all by the yeare

Rents of assize of diverse tenements in the parishes underwritten, to wit, The going out of a tenement in the tenure of John Codington lying in the parish of St. Margaret of the said city, v s. the going out of a tenement in the tenure of Thomas Dandye in the Isle of Hartey, iii s. for the quittance going out of lands called Westbrokefelde in the tenure of John Church within the parish of Hearne *, iii s. iv d. for the like rent issuing out of the lands of Alexander Howlett in the parish of Reculver, as in the price of one quarter of barley, ii s. for rent going out of a tenement in the parish of Stelling in the tenure of the heirs of Lente. In the whole by the yeare

* Heron in the Latin throughout.

vii l. xv s. iiii d.

xiv s. i d.

The

The farme of one tenement within the
said scite in the tenure of Carter at
will. By the yeare

xvi s.

The farme of one close, pastur, heath-
ground, call d llabel meade *, containing
twenty acres, xl s. of one peece of land in
Devington mede, containing three rods, ii s.
in the tenure and occupation of the said
prior and priorisse, for the common use of
the hospitall, but valued in the whole by
the yeare

xlii s.

The farme of one tenement and gardin
in the parish of St. Michael of Harbal-
downe, lying nigh the well there, in the
tenure of Giles Allyn at will, by yeare

vii s.

The farme of diverse tenements in the
parish of St. Dunstan of the said city, in the
tenure of [George Hunt, x s. Henry Maye,
vi s. viii d. John Bold, vi s. viii d. Ro-
bert Capper, vi s. viii d. John , iii s.
Agnes , iii s. and Thomas , viii s.†]
so to them dimised at will. The whole
by yeare

xlv s.

The farme of three tenements in Ive-
lane in the parish of St. Paul, at will di-
mised

x s.

The farme of one acre of land in the pa-
rish of Goodneston lying neer the tenement
of Bull, in the tenure of John Bull, at
will, by the yeare

xxii s.

The farme of two crofts called Devell's
Gate, in the parish of Heron or Chistlett,
containing iii acres, iii rodde, in the te-
nure of John Church, at will. By yeare

vii s.

The farme of xx acres of land in the pa-
rish of Herne, to wit, of the third part of
lx † acres of land in three parts divided, in
the tenure of John Byngemham, as by the
indenture above, among the lands of the
hospital of St. John without Northgate,
Canterbury, is remembered. By the yeare

xxv s. i d.

* See note † p. 227.

† Omitted in the translation.

‡ Now 50 acres, more or less, let on lease to Mrs. Jane Tucker, at a reserved rent of 14 l. of which the third part is 4 l. 13 s. 4 d.

Farms in diverse pa- rishes.	The farme of the moyety of a tenement and lands in the parish of Goodnestone called Rowlinge, conteining xciv acres of land*, in the tenure of William Joley, by indenture above, among the lands and possessions of the said hospital of St. John recited. By the yeare	xli s. viii d.
	The farme of the pasturing of fourteen sheepe, and one rodd of marsh-land, in the parish of Graveney, in the tenure of John Okeden, by indenture, dated day year of the now king Henry VIIth. By yeare	iiii s. †
	Part of the fee-farme of the citty of Canterbury, by the grante of Henry [II.] sometime king of England, &c.	xiii l. vi s. viii d. ‡
Annuities and pensions.	A certaine annuitie, issuing out of the lands of the late monastery of the Church of Christ, Canterbury, yearlie allowed, by decree of the counsell of the Court of Augmentations, and by the hand of the receiver of the said court in the county of Kent. Paid by yeare	lxviii s. viii d.
	A certaine like annuity, issuing out of the lands of the late priorie of Leeds, allowed by the aforefaid decree, and by the hands of the said receiver. Paid by yeare	x s.
	A certaine annual pension, or annuity, issuing out of the manors of Reculver and Boughton, and out of the rectory of Reculver, by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Paid by the yeare	lxxx l.

* Now let on lease to Sir Narborough D'Aeth, Bart. at a reserved rent of 16 l. per ann. to each hospital, and three bushels of wheat. By a map in the hospital-chest, taken in 1617, there were then only 80 acres and a half, and 29 perches, at 16 feet and a half to the rod. Now by estimation there are 88.

† This is now probably dwindled into an annuity of 2 s. per ann. paid by John Lade, Esq. See p. 179.

‡ The same sum is still paid by the chamberlain. See the grant, p. 205, N° 4.

|| For these two sums, now making together 3 l. 18 s. 6 d. two debentures are annually delivered to the master, or his order, soon after Michaelmas, by the auditor of the king's land-revenue (or fee-farm rents) by virtue of which it is paid as above, by the receiver-general of that revenue for Kent, Surrey, and Suffex; at present James Best, Esq.

7 s.	4 d.	two debentures.
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See the Appendix to Northgate, Chap. II. N° 11.

Deductions.

Fees.	Fees to the collector of the rents of the lands and possessions of the 'foresaid hospitall. By the yeare	xxvi s. viii d.
Rents reserved.	Rents paid out, issuing out of diverse lands and tenements, parcell of the possessions of the aforesaid hospitall, to wit, to the maner of Westgate, for rent of the scite of the said hospitall and parcell of demesne lands, xv s. 11 d.* to the maner of Tunford, for rent of parcel of the demesne lands xviii s. x d. to the maner of Thytche for rent of land called Isabel Meade viii s. 1111 d. to the deane and chapter of Canterbury, for rent of a parcell of wood-land there, 11 d. to William Fyneux, Esquire, for rent of land called Devell's Gate [in Herne], xv d. to the king's majesty, for rent of tenements in Ive-lane, xvi d. †; to the church-wardens to St. Dunstan, for rent of tenements in the parish there, xii d. to John Freeman, for rent of two tenements in the same parish, called Blanket House, vi d. to the manor of Wyngesham, for rent of land called Rollynge, xiii s. 1111 d. and to the manor of Herne, for rent of twenty acres of land there, 111 s. and to the manor of Welcource v s. 1x d. In the whole by the yeare	Lxviii s. viii d.
	And it is clerely worth, above all the deductions aforesaid, by the yeare	cxii l. ‡
Woods and under-woods.	One wood, called The Hospitall Wood, lying on the south part of the king's highway leading towarde Canterbury, nere the Hermitage there in the parish of St. Michael of Harbaldowne, containing by estimation xx acres. One other wood, called Brotherhood Wood, lying on the north side of the said way, nere Bosomden Wood, in the parish aforesaid: containing by estimation x acres §. Ten acres are of age sufficient to be cutt downe, every acre being of the value of xxvi s. viii d.	

* The same sum is still paid to that manor.

† This quit-rent is now paid to the city of Canterbury.

‡ The exact sum is 112 l. 19 s. 3 d.

§ The North Wood now contains 15 acres, the South Wood 48.

41. The Answer of the Brothers and the Curate or Chauntrie Priest* of the Hospital of Saynte Nycoles of Herbaldowne to certen Articles to them mynystrred by the Kyng's Majestie's Commissioners. Hen. VIII. (Not dated.)

TO the fyrst we answere, that we have a chauntrie priest which hathe the care of all the brothers and susters within the said hospitall, and mynystreth unto us all the sacraments when need requyreth, and saithe devyne service, according to his foundacyon; and the said priest is one of the number of the brothers of the said hospitall in part of his stypend. Also the said priest hathe exhybytid a rentall, wherein is conteynid all the revenues, profyts unto the said chauntre priest of the said hospitall, and the yerly resolving and deductions beyng goyng owt of the same.

Imprimis, a howse where the priest dwellith callid Claving, and an orchard adjoynynge to the hospitall, be estimacon worth yerly, xiii s. iiij d.

Item, a tenement aginst th'hospitall of Harbaldowne and a gardin at iiij acres and halfe acre of lande thereto adjoynynge by estymacion, worth yerly, xxii s. viii d.

Item, divers lands callid Mckynbroke lyeng in the parishe of Herne, whiche lands perteyneth to the master of th'hospitall of Eastbryg in Canturbury, and payeth yerly to the said priest, iii l. vi s. viii d.

Item, owte of Hoth corte lying in the parishe of Cosmas Blean, the whiche lands parteyneth to the master of th'hospitall of Eastbryg in Canturbury, and paie the yerly, xxxiii s. iiij d.

Item, the said priest is one of the numbere of the poor brothers of the said hospitall, and recevythe yerly for his porcyon as other doth ther by estymacion xxxiii s. iiij d.

Summa viii l. xiii s. iiij d.

Whereof is paid yerly to m^r Fynyx of Herne for quyt rent for a tenement, above wrytten iii s. vi d.

And iii hens and a koke for the same tenement, xiiii d. ob.
Dissolved anno s^{do} Ed. Sexti.

42. 1. An order for the recovery of certain lands to the Hospital at Herbaldown, 17 June, 12 Char. I. 1637.

42. 2. A writt of execution of a decree of charitable uses for the Hospital of St. Nicholas Herbaldoune, in Kent. It is to Mary Countess of Westmoreland and Arthur Ruck her tenant, to restore three acres and a half in Larons tenement, and one in the field called Rede, formerly given to the Hospital by John de Thongford, 21 April, 14 Charles I. 1639.

43. Letter of Attorney to William Oliver the prior to collect the rents granted to the Hospitals by Capt. Charles Bowles (which rents had been purchased by him of the Parliament's feoffees) in lieu of their augmentation money, 8 July, 1659.

* Then probably George Haggys. See p. 183.

44. A Remonstrance of ill usage from a tenant (of and to whom is not said) in behalf of the Hospital, dated from Christ Church, Canterbury, 18 Aug. 1591, by John Hyll*.

MY duty and commendations to your worship remēbred, &c. The poore brothers of Harbaldowne Hospitall do mosste humbly crave your worship's favour in the matters that are in controversye. They thinke themselves to be hardly used at your farmers handes,

Dunlands. First, for Dunlande, where theire deedes do manifestly leade them to have an aker, a roode, and the eight parte of an aker, and yet your worship's farmer doth wytheholde the same from them and occupieth it, before there be any determination of the controversye, for he wolde neaver yet, since the measuryng of it, lett them understande what the quantitie of it was. Howbeit, by there owne measuryng of it, they fynde that there is ynowghe in the peece to allowe to your worship nyne acres and xxx perches, and 1 aker, 1 roode, and 1x perches to remayne to the Hospitall, besydes that whiche lyeth betwyxte the Burne and the edge of the eightyne akers as parte of the xviii akers.

Laron's Tenement. Secondly, For Larones tenemente, the peece as it now lieth conteyneth, by their measurement, eight akers and eight perches, for the whiche they have divers deedes of fundry parcells, whiche, by great probabilitie, do leade them to thinke that to be theire owne lande, as firste one deede of 1111 acres dī, gyven by John of Tunforde, wherof 111 acres dī. lye in a fiede called by the name of Larones Tenemente, and 1 acre lyeth in a fiede called the Rede †, and 11 acres were gyven by Peter Durante and Felix his wyffe, whiche also were confirmed by Joane of Dushington. Also in the before named dede of John of Tunforde (wherin he gyveth them 1111 acres dī.) he furthermore gyveth them the halfe of that lande whiche he purchased of the tenemente of Levenote, lyinge in the same fiede called Larones tenemente; whiche halfe parte, if it be esteemed at 1 acre dī. and viii peerches, added to the rest, will make up viii acres viii perches. And that this shoulde be theire Larones tenement, it hathe this probabilitie for prooffe, the Rede and Larones Tenement do joygne togeather; but it is certen that the Rede is parte of this viii acres which they call Larones Tenement, for it lieth in the northwest corner of it: yea, your worship's owne note under Sir Ch. Hale's hande (unles I be deceyved) doth by an interlyne note the Rede to be Larones Tenement, or in Larones Tenement, whiche if it

* B. D. prebendary of Canterbury, which he obtained by exchange with Dr. John Pory for a canonry of Westminster, in 1568. By this letter it should seem that he was also master of the Hospital. He died in 1595.

† See p. 232, N^o 42, 2.

be granted, then is there no dowbte but that felde must neades be Larones Tenemente. And to proove that that felde is not Northbygberye (as your worship supposeth) the brothers say, that they have inquired of the awncintest inhabitantes therabout, who do affirme that Northbygberye lyeth above the bowndes of that felde westwarde, and Sowthbygberye lyeth sowth from Larones Tenement and Northbygberie, and that the two Bygberies are devyded by a footepath betwixte them. And therfore they humbly crave of your worship, that you wolde searche amonge youre owne evydences how the sayd Northbygberye is bownded, for thereby the truthe wolde appeare. For if your Northbygberye be bownded any way as is that pece of viii acres viii peerches, whiche they call Larones Tenemente, then hath youre worship great probabilitie on youre syde, otherwyse the probabilitie is greate for them.

Theire thirde grieffe is towchinge Lokers Crofte, which your worship claymeth from them, only by a bownde mentioned in an indenture of exchange betwixte Sir Tho. Fogge, Knyght and them, whiche myght be sett downe by some error of the wryter of the sayd indenture, or by oversyght and unskilfulnes in takynge of the bowndes; but if it myght please your worship to shew some deede that bowndeth the same, they wolde quietly stand theruntoe, for that wolde put all owt of dowbte, otherwyse they think their deede to carry more probabilitie than that indenture. That felde bowndeth upon Goldhill northe, upon the way leadynge from Canterbury to Chilham east, upon Dunlande sowth and west, whiche bowndes, if they be mentioned in any of youre worship's deedes, the matter wil be cleare. But this they complayne of in the meane while, that your worship putteth them to make evydent prooffe by their deedes, and for lack therof do take the lande from them, and yet youre selfe do shew no deedes to proove it your owne by any bowndes mentioned therein.

Lockyer's
Crofte.

Your worship's note sayth that Lokeres Crofte is the same that is called Lader Crofte, whiche you proove by a rentale, thus noted in the margyne, "Loker's Crofte p rentale modo vocat' Lader Crofte." But that this conjecture seemeth not to be true, it thus appeareth: There are two severall deedes of the two croftes, and Loker's Crofte in the deede therof is bownded only upon the highway leadynge from Canterbury to Chilham; but Lader Crofte, in the deed therof, is bownded not only upon the sayd highwaye sowth, but also to the eightyne akers east, and to Parnels Croffe Lane north and west. If they were all one, they wolde be alyke bownded; but so they are not, and therfore it is lyke that they are severall peces. Wherefore the note seemeth to be but an erroneous conjecture of him that made it.

Theire fourth and laste gryeffe is the takynge of the wheat sown upon the overplus of grownde in Turnforde felde, wherein notwithstandinge, they hope to fynde more favor at your worship's handes than is pretended by your farmer, the rather

Theire

because the lande was sown before this controversy was mooved; for if the farmer had knowne that he shoulde have byne inhibited to take the croppe, it is not lyke that he wolde have cared it and sown his seade upon it. They humbly crave therfore of youre worship, that it myght please you to take some resonable recompence for the lande for this tyme, and hereafter they wyll absteine from intermedlynge upon youre lande and kepe wythin their owne bowndes, and shew themselves thankfull for your worship's favor.

Thus have I delivered unto your worship the summe of their griefes, and wythall the growndes and reasons whiche they alleadge for themselves, whiche I have done to th'end youre worship may consider of them, and therupon resolve as shall seeme good unto your wysdome. And whatsoever it shall please your worship to returne for answer to those four poyntes, either for the overthrowng of their clayme and reasons, or for the establishing of youre owne ryghte, I shall faythfully delyver unto them, to satisfie them as muche as shall lye in me, and to kepe them quiett and contented. And thus, wyfshinge and prayinge for your worship's health, I commend the same unto the Lorde. Canterbury, from Christ Church, the 18th of August, 1591. Your worship's to his power, JOHN HILL.

45. Bull of Pope John * confirming the possessions of Herboldown Hospital, and exempting them from Tithes. [1319.]

JOHANNES epus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Priori & fratribus hospitalis leprosor' Scti Nicholai de Herboldon', Cantuarien' dioc', salutem & apostolicam benedictionem. Sacrosancta Romana ecclesia devotos & humiles filios ex assuete pietatis officio propencius dirigere consuevit, & ne pravorum hominum molestiis agitantur, eos tanquam pia mater sue protectionis munimine confovere. Eapropter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulacionibus grato concurrentes assensu, personas vestras, & locum in quo sub communi vita degitis, cum omnibus bonis que impensar' racionabiliter possidetis, aut in futur' justis modis, dante Domino, poteritis adipisci, sub beati Petri & nra protectione suscepimus; specialiter autem terras, domos, pratum, pascua, grangias, maneria, nemora, molendina, piscarias, jura, jurisdictiones, vineas, ortos, & alia bona v'ra, sicut ea juste ac pacifice obtinetis, nobis, & per nos hospitali vestro apostolica auctoritate confirmamus, & presentis scripti patrocinio munimus; districcius inhibentes ne quis de ortis & virgultis† v'ris, seu de v'ror' aialium instrumentis decimas a vobis exigere vel extorquere presumat. Nulli ergo omnino homini liceat hanc paginam nre pteccionis, confirmationis, & inhibitionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei & beatorum Petri & Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit incursum. Dat' Avinion' ‡, id. Junii, pontificatus nri anno tertio.

* XXII. as he was the only Pope of that name who resided at Avignon, where he governed the church from 1316 to 1334; consequently this must be dated as above. "He was a man of understanding, had prodigious activity, immense wealth, and great constancy in pursuing what he once undertook." See Mrs. Dobson's Life of Petrarch, vol. I. p. 92.

† See a letter of Mr. Hall's, p. 189.

‡ The Roman See was fixed at Avignon by a Gascon Pope in 1313, and continued there above 70 years.

PRIVATE DEEDS.

1. (In dorso, manu antiqua.) Carta Eilgar de la Burne filii Godefridi de una acra & quarta parte unius acre terre q̄ jacent in campo q̄ vocatur *Gore* *. Sans date.
2. (In d. m. a.) Charta Eilgar' de la Burne filii Godefridi de quatuor acris terre & sex p̄catis que jacent in campo q̄ vocatur *Gore*. Sans date.
3. (In d. m. a.) Carta Petri & Walteri fil' Roberti de Beregethege de quatuor acris terræ que jacent in campo qui vocatur *Gore* inter Elfgar de la Burne. Sans date.
4. (m. a.) Carta Terri' aurifabri de quatuor acris terre que jacent in campo qui vocatur *Gore*. Sans date.
5. Release from Tho. Athonworde, to the Hospital, of a quit rent of one penny p̄ an. issuing out of [a piece of land called] *Combe* † in the parish of St. Michaels Herbaldoune, 29 Edw. I.
6. (m. a.) Carta Richardi fil' Guidonis de una acra & quarta parte unius acre terre que jacet in campo qui vocatur *Glenlinge*. Sans date.
7. (m. a.) Carta Ris de Westgate de decem den' liberi redditus fui de una acra terre & dimid' que jacet in campo qui vocatur *Brodesole*. Sans date.
(The impresson of the seal, which is perfect, represents a flower de luce. Inscription round it, SIGILV RIIS DE WESTGATE.) (See plate IV. fig. 7.)
8. (m. a.) Carta Eilgar' de la Burne de una virgata & dimid' virgata terre ‡, que jacent juxta terram que vocatur *iealde hamstall*. Sans date.
9. xxđ. a year near the bourne Southward, and the downe Northward. By Walter son of Robert de Beregethege.

* *Binnegore* is at present called the 18 acres, and contains 19; in 1761 it was entirely planted with hops.

† *Combe* is part arable, part hop-ground, without any wood.

‡ The bounds are thus described, "que jacent in longitudine sua a strata regia usque ad terram quam predicti fratres tenent in *gavelikend* de Petro & Waltero de Bergetee, & in latitudine sua inter terram predictorum fratrum quam tenent de me in *gavelikend* et terram que vocatur *iealde hamstall* que fuit Eadmundi." The land held in *gavelkind* was so called, says Sir Edward Coke, from "*Gave all kynd*; for this custom giveth to all the sons alike." This derivation, however, Mr. Somner rejects. See his Treatise of Gavelkind, p. 6. And p. 38. he quotes the above or a similar donation of land to this Hospital "in perpetuam eleemosynam, and to *Gavelkind*," as, 1. being held by descent, and therefore devisable, and 2. as reserving a quit-rent. D. So in No 11, "inter terram quam predicti fratres tenent in *Gavelikend* de Eilgaro de la Burne." This Elgar gave the lands in Nos 1 and 2, in both which a rent is reserved payable to himself and his heirs "in curia eorum de H'aldune."

10. Carta Ifembard' fil' Eilgar' de la Burne, de una virgat' terre que jacet in campo que vocatur *Gore* & aquam que vocatur *Burnam*. [Grant of one yard of land adjoining to the Bourn by Ifembard de la Burne.]
11. Carta Anfrid' fil' Salomon' de Tuniford, de sex acris & tres perticatis terre in campo qui vocatur *Gore*.
12. Carta Gileberti filii Rogeri Talebot le Draper de quatuor acr' terre & dimid' acr' terre; que tres acr' & dim' vocantur *Tenementum*, & una acr' terr' vocatur la *Rede*; [as supposed in Laron's tenement.] 1 Edw. III. 1327.
13. Laron's Tenement *, and [1 acre in] *Rede*, and a moiety of [his land in] *Levenote*, 16 Edw. I. 1288. [A grant from John Thonyford of 3 acres and a half in.]
14. *Upfeld* (in a modern hand, instead of *Brentche*, erased) at *Croydene*, in the parish of St. Mich' Herbold. [From Peter Durant, and Felicia his wife, an. reg. H. III. 55. with a confirmation thereof de Johanna de Dunstintone Mart. 19 E. I.]
15. Carta de duabus acris in *Hupfelde*. Mar. Edw. I. 19. 1291. Nota de *Chalfesham*.
16. Release of vi d. p an. out of two acres in *Breinths*, 6 Edw. II. 1312.
17. Release of iii d. p an. due from two acres in *Breinths*, 8 Edw. III.
18. Copy of a grant from Algar son of Godefry de la Burne of three acres and a half in *Bingore*, and [one acre and] one yard in *Dunland*.
19. *Denstede*. Grant [from Hamo de Denstede] of a quit-rent of viii d. and two hens, p ann. out of half an acre in *Denstede*.
20. *Denstede*. Grant [from William de Morton and his wife] of iii d. p an. out of a messuage there.
21. *Hegham*, als Hyham, in Tonford field. Release of three acres, [from Robt. de Denstede, clerk.] 32 Edw. III.
22. Willm atte Crowche releaseth to Tho. Prieste all his right of lands [tenements, &c.] in Herboldune, 1439. [17 Nov.] 18 Hen. VI.

Isabelle Mead.

23. Carta Richard' Sut' de una acra terre in puram & perpetuam elemosynam dedist, q̄ jacet in campo q̄ vocatur *Yfabele Mede*, inter terram hospital' de Herboldune q̄ est versus Suth & terram Alani Pocok q̄ est versus North. [Grant from Rich. Levechild of 1 acre in Isabel Mead.]
24. Carta Richardi Sut' de quatuor denar' redditus sui, quos soleb' annuatim reddere ei de quod' tenemento quod vocatur *Yfabele Mede*.
25. Grant from Will' de Vaus to Gilbert de Wenchepe of [two acres of] his land in the parish of Herboldune at Isabelle Med, with the crop thereon. 18 Edw. I. 1279.

* Now called in the lease to Mrs. Young (see p. 227.) 'Lawrence Tenement.'

26. Grant from the said Gilbert de Wenchepe of the said two acres to the hospital, 26 May, 1289.
27. [Grant from Loretta daughter of Robert Ateburne of 5 perches and a quarter of land] In dorf. v virgat' terre cum ptin' & una via de octo pedibus. i virgat' prati cum pertin' & una via de viii ped'. 8 id. Nov. 1289.
28. In dorf. Donatio trium pticar' & 1 quarterii pticatae. [Grant from Vincent Fonte of a croft containing 5 yards and a way to it, and of a meadow and a way to it.]
29. Grant (by indenture) from Rob' German [Roper] to Walter Gylbert, clerk, John Swayn, and John Caldham of half an acre in *Isabelle Med.* 22 Martii, 31 Hen. VI. 1453.
30. Grant from Simon Guy to John Pardoner of one acre and one rood of wood in the parish of Herboldoune. 15 Nov. 13 Hen. IV. 1412.
31. Release from Sampson Colman to Richard Wellys of his claim to five roods of wood. 20 Oct. 1 Edw. IV. 1461. This and N° 30 should be placed after N° 40.
32. *Long Mead.* [Grant from Silvester Baker to Richard Roper of] A croft beside *Isabelle Med.* 24 April, 7 Hen. IV. 1406.
33. Release from John Roper, John Swayn, John Chamberlayn, Will' Bygge, and Thomas Bayly, to Robert Germyn Roper, of a piece of land in Longmed. 3 Edw. IV. 1463.
34. Grant of the said land from Robert Germyn Roper, to William Bygge, 14 Aug. 3 Edw. IV. 1463.
35. Grant of the aforesaid land from William Bygge to John Caldham, William Luton, and John Cropham. 6 Sept. 5 Edw. IV. 1465. [Containing 3 acres and a half.]
36. [Grant from Reymund Roper of a] way to Longmead, 12 Aug. 1 Hen. V. 1413.
37. *Isabell mead.* Exchange between John Monger and the hospital, of two pieces of land, each containing half an acre*; and release of the rent of wax due from the hospital, 1 April, 25 Eliz. 1592.
38. Simon Tannere to John Bryan, 5 yards of wood land, 13 Ric. II.
39. John Bryan to Walter Bernard, the said 5 yards of wood-land, June, 22 Ric. II. 1399.
40. Walter Bernard to Simon Gy, the said 5 yards of wood-land, 25 July, 3 Hen. IV. 1402. N° 30 and 31 ought to have followed this deed.
41. Clement ate Welde to Peter ate Welde and [Anice] his wife, 5 yards of wood-land in Harbledoun, 3 Edw. II. 1310.

* See N° 29.

42. *Smalebores.* Tho. Liefhelm to Edmund Hogg, one rood of wood-land. [in the parish of St Michael Harbaldoun] 24 June, 20 Ric. II. 1397.
43. Johanna widow of John Elmer, and daughter and heir of Edmund Hogg, to Wm. Holeweye, the said piece of wood-land in Smalebores. 27 May, 8 Hen. V. 1421.
44. Will. Holeweye to John Rykard, al' Bocher, the said wood-land at Smalebores, 18 Nov. 4 Hen. VI. 1425.
45. Warrant of attorney of said W. Holeweye to deliver seisin. 18 Nov. 4 Hen. VI.
46. John Rycard, al' Bocher, to Thomas Hereward, the aforefaid wood-land in Smalebores. 20 Oct. 13 Hen. VI. 1435.
47. Tho. Hereward to Will. Palmer clerk, all his lands and tenements in Herbal-downe. 1 Sept. 17 Hen. VI. 1439.
48. Will. Palmer to Simon Colyn and Julian Horne, the last mentioned piece of wood-land. 24 Oct. 18 H. VI. 1440.
49. Vincent atte Welle to Reymund Roper 5 roods of wood-land in Herbaldown apud Le Well. 1 Oct. 12 Hen. IV. 1411.
50. John Chycche, esq. to Rob. German and others a piece of wood-land called Northwoode. 16 Jan. 25 Hen. VI. 1445.
51. Richard Fille and John Sothereye to John Martyn, esq. and others, the said wood-land. 4 Dec. 3 H. VII. 1487.
52. Declaration of Richard Fille and John Sothereye, that the last mentioned conveyance was on condition that the said Northwoode should remain to the hospital. 4 Dec. 3 Hen. VII. 1487.
53. Release from Margaret, widow of John Swayne, to John Martyn, esq. and others, of the said wood-land called Northwoode. 10 Dec. 3 H. VII. 1487.
54. Grant of 5 roods from Luke [Son of William ate] Nethereche, made 7 Sept. 7 Ed. I. 1279, then under age, and confirmed by him 19 April, 21 Edw. I. 1293.

Tenements in Herbaldown.

55. John Elmer, smith, and Joan his wife, to Thomas Charles of Herbaldon, a messuage and garden at Herbaldown. 12 Oct. 12 H. IV. 1411.
 56. House and garden next the Duke's head [late the White Horse.] Release from W. Arderne, clerk, W. Puxtone, and John Feversham, to John Bedel and John Plonket, 10 Jan. 6 H. V. 1419.
- [Eight other deeds relating to the same] In dorf. A deed of the housse next the Whyt Horse. 10 June 6 H. V. 1411. viz.

57. Tho.

57. Tho. Charles to John Perdour, and John Yaldyng, a messuage and garden in Herboldoun, Nov. 7 H. VI. 1427.
58. J. Perdour and J. Yaldyng, to Richard son of Tho. Charles and his wife and their issue, the said messuage and garden. Jan. 8 H. VI. 1430.
59. Rob. Charlys to Henry and Richard Wellys the beforementioned messuage and garden. 21 June, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
60. Release from W. Rychefeld and others, to said Henry and Richard Wellys. 23 June, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
61. Richard Wellys to Christian widow of Hen. Wellys, the said messuage and garden. 19 April, 7 Edw. IV. 1467.
62. Richard Wellys to Henry Beald and others, the said messuage and garden. 22 Dec. 2 R. III. 1484.
63. Release from John Beald to Henry Beald and others, of said messuage and garden. 19 Jan. 3 H. VII. 1488.
64. Henry Beald and others, to John Johnson and others, the said messuage and garden. 7 May, 4 H. VII. 1489.

Terriers.

65. Terrarium primum. Reddit' solvend' Hospit'. (This title, written in red, is almost worn out. It is a terrier containing 44 articles.)
66. A second terrier, consisting of two rolls, of different breadths, sewed together. 50 Ed. III. 1376.
67. The rents of the brothers and sisters of Harbaldoune.
68. A third terrier.
69. The copy of the mortmeyn of the lands in Reculver and dyverse other placys. 13 June, 13 H. VI. 1435*. This is a translation of N° 70.
70. The same in Latin†. 13 Jun. 13 H. VI. 1435.
71. Confirmatio Edw. I. de revocatione ecclie de Reculver ad cameram Archiepalem Cant'. Et ut Hospitalia sustineantur ex redditibus ipsius Archiep. 18 Dec. 19 Edw. I. 1291. See before, p. 209, N° 30.1.

* Printed in the History of Reculver, p. 151.

† Ibid. p. 152. The seal, which is almost entire, is different from that which is fixed to the General Pardon, dated 7 Maii, an. 15 H. VI. 1437. See Royal Grants, N° 28.

‡ Ibid. p. 131. The broad seal is very well preserved. There is also an ancient copy of this instrument.

72. License of K. Edw. III, for appropriation of the church of Reculver to the Archbishop's table; and for payment of 160 l. a year out of the revenues of the fee of Cant' to the two hospitals, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain. 16 March, 22 Edw. III. 1348*. See before, p. 209, N° 30. 2.
73. Carta Salamonis But de tribus acris terre in Reculver, apud Sperkyn, in campo vocato Brounyngeston, Willmo atte Welle Capello, aliisque. 18 April, 38 Edw. III. 1364†.
74. Carta ejusdem Sal' But iisdem de predictis 111 acris terre in Reculver, 18 April, 38 Edw. III. 1364†.
75. Carta indentata predict' feoffat' concedens predict' 111 acras terre predict' Salamonis But sub annuo redditu unius summe ordeï. 12 Jun. 38 Edw. III. 1364‡.
76. Pars altera predictæ carte indentate.

Herne.

77. Ricus atte Broke 1 acr' in Thorndenne Henr' de Suthreye & uxori ejus, Maii, 6 Edw. III. 1332.
78. Queta clamaçō Johis filii Walteri atte Broke, Henrico de Sothereye, & Christine uxori ejus de dimidia acre predictæ, Jun, 7 Edw. III. 1333.
79. Walter Bayli to Henry son of Richard de Suthereye and his wife, two acres at Rokyngrove, in Thorndenne borough, in Herne, 1 Nov. 12 Edw. III. 1338.
80. James Bate to Nich' de Underdoun 1 acre, 111 roods, at Gatekaye in Herne. 19 Edw. III. 1345.
81. Ifolda widow of Henry de Frokyngone, to John Seuale, 2 pieces of land at Frokyngone, containing 2 acres. 21 Dec. 31 Edw. III. 1357.
82. Carta Johis Sewale de Hierne de uno crofto vocat' Brokesfield in Hiern. March 33, Edw. III. 1359.
83. Queta clamatio Gedeline ux' Johis Sewale de predicta terra Ifolde nuper uxori Hen. Southereye. 33 Edw. III. 1359.
84. Queta clamatio Thome Sewale eidem de predicta terra, 33 Edw. III. 1359.
85. Carta John Sewale concedens Hospital' 11 s. p an. exeunt' de p̄dca terra, 18 Nov. 33 Edw. III. 1359.
86. Carta Johis Aryngburg junior' & alior' concernens un' quarter' hordei exeunt' de una grangia, uno stabulo, & xii acr' terre apud Westbroke in Strodeburg'. [Herne] 5 Sept. 35 Edw. III. 1361.

* Ibid. p. 141.

† History of Reculver, p. 142.

‡ Ibid. p. 143.

§ Ibid. p. 143. These are all misdated in the History of Reculver, '1357.'

87. 1. Redd' unius quaterii ordeï provenientis de una grangia, uno stabulo, & xii acris terre jacent' in paroch' de Herne. 25 July, 18 Ric. II. 1378.
87. 2. (In dorso.) Release from Denis atte Stone, nephew and heir to Henr' atte Stone (one of the grantees in N° 86) to John Wylk, of the said quarter of barley, agreeably to the last will of the said Henry atte Stone, 1 Nov. 1 Hen. IV. 1399.
88. Grant, by indenture, from J. Prowde and J. Cherche, of the said quarter of barley to the hospital, 14 Sept. 2 Hen. IV. 1400.
89. Grant from William Tayloure, alias Paramour, and others, to Richard Dererd, of two acres of land in Thornden borough in Herne. 10 Jan. 17 Edw. IV. 1477.
90. Grant from Richard Dererd of the said two acres of land to the hospital. 20 Jan. 18 Edw. IV. 1478.
91. Carta Jacobi a Churche de xvi denar' apud le Platts in burg' Strode, in paroch' Herne. 13 March, 1492, 8 Hen. VII.
92. Grant from James a Chirche to the prior and prioress of the Hospital of viii d. p an. out of a messuage and three acres of land in Strode borough in Herne. 23 March, 1492, 8 Hen. VII.
93. Grant from John a Chirche of viii d. p an. out of two acres and a half at Stockgrove in Thornden in Herne, to the prior and prioress. 23 March, 8 Hen. VII. 1492.

St. Dunstan's near Canterbury.

1. Carta Ivo fil' Salamonis filii Eadvardi Biset de duobus denar' liberi reddit' sui de uno mesuagio qd jacet in parochia Scti Dunstani.
2. Carta Johis Binnewiht de duodecim denar' liberi redditus sui, quos ei reddere solebat Hamo le Waudes ad med' Quadragesim' annuatim, de quodam mesuagio qd jacet in parochia Scti Dunstani in perpetuam elemosinam.
3. 1. Carta Symonis molendinarii extra Westgate Ricardo de Berekote de uno tenemento quod jacet in parochia Scti Dunstani emptum. (The first witness to this deed is, dno Petro de Mekalonde tunc temporis capello curie dñi Archiepi Cant.)
3. 2. In dorso. Carta Ricardi de Berekote de uno messuagio quod jacet in parochia Scti Dunstani emptum.
Grant from Richard de Berekote to the brothers of the hospital of the said messuage.
4. Carta Stephani filii Willi le Cocker in perpetuum quietum clamavit de duabus denar' quos reddere consueverunt fratres de suo garnario in parochia Scti Dunstani. 41 Hen. III. 1256.

5. Carta

5. Carta de la Gerner de Westgate. Feb. 12. Ed.
6. For a shop in the parish of St. Dunstan's. Feb. 1. Ed. II. 1308.
7. 1. In dorso. Evydence of Plunket's release from Ingerim Carpenter to Tho. Plunket and Matt. Cramber of a messuage and garden. 7 Jan. 12 Ed. IV. 1473. [It should be 17 Jan.]
7. 2. In dorso. Evydence of Plunket's grant from Ingerim Carpenter to Thomas Plunket and Matt. Cramber of the aforesaid messuage and garden. 16 Jan. 12 Ed. IV. 1473.
7. 3. In dorso. Evydence of Blanket (lege Plunket) houses. Release from Matt. Cramber to Tho. Plunket of the same. 25 Sept. 13 Ed. IV. 1473.
7. 4. In dorso. Evydensse of Plunket's grant from Tho. Plunket, brother of Herboldoune Hospital, to W. Bromley of St. Dunstan's and Julian his wife, of the said messuage, &c. for their lives, and after to the hospital. 4 Oct. 13 Ed. IV.
7. 5. Pars altera predicte carte indentate, cum duobus sigillis.
8. 1. In dorso. Carta de Bedel. Grant from Matilda Glovere to John Tyete of two shops in St. Dunstan's. 19 Oct. 37 Ed. III. 1363.
8. 2. In dorso. Carta de Joh' Tyete Joh' Helydyngge de duabus shoppis in Westgate. 20 Oct. 37 Ed. III. 1363.
8. 3. In dorso. Carta Johis Yelding de (predictis) duabus shoppis Tho. Wolton clerico, aliisque. .. Jul. 1 Ric. II. 1377.
8. 4. In dorso. Carta indentata Riçi Skynnere & alior', concedens dictas shoppas Joh' Gryffyn & uxori ejus, pro termino 101 annorum. 30 Ap. 5 R. II. 1382.
8. 5. Grant from J. Gryffyn to Tho. Kent of the remainder of the said term of 101 years. 11 Feb. 16 R. II. 1393.
9. 1. In dorso. De tribus schopis in parochia Scti Dunstani. Grant from John Roper to John Wylk, Adam de Drove, and others, brethren of Herboldown Hospital, of one messuage and three shops in St. Dunstan's. 25 Jan. 22 R. II. 1399.
9. 2. Release from Edmund Roper to Adam de Drove and Will' Hall of the said messuage and three shops. 24 Maii, 11 H. IV. 1410.
9. 3. Carta Ade de Drove & W. atte Halle, Rob' Omer, aliisque, de predict' messuag' & iii shopis. 31 Maii, 11 H. IV. 1410.
10. 1. Queta clamatio Edithe Berthilmewe Barthol' Rygdon de uno ten' in paroch' S. Dunstani. 7 Dec. 13 Ed. IV. 1473.
10. 2. Carta Barthi Rygdon, Johi Webbe, & Hamon' Fuller, de predicto & alio ten'. 10 Dec. 13 Ed. IV. 1473.

10. 3. In dorso. Grant from John Jakes and Ingerim Carpenter to John Martyn, Esq. and others, of the corner house in St. Dunstan's. 29 Sep. 4 H. VII. 1488.
11. 1. Grant of three tenements and gardens in St. Dunstan's, by Will' Roper of Eltham, to the hospital. 1 May, 12 Eliz. 1570.
11. 2. Feoffamentum de predictis 111 ten' & gard'. 20 Oct. 25 Eliz. 1583.
11. 3. Feoffamentum aliud. 18 Jan. 39 Eliz. 1597.
11. 4. Feoffamentum aliud. 15 Oct. 4 Ja. I. 1606.

Here end the titles of the charters and other evidences which Mr. HALL had transcribed. In the "Liber Hospitalium" of Dr. BEAUVOIR, these are all methodically copied; and, in addition to them, a regular list is made out of private deeds belonging to the Hospital of Herboldown, relating to their possessions in the following places:

Rollyng in Godwynstone near Wingham.

1. Grant from Robert Goldfynch to John and Alice Gerard of 3 roods in a field called Hokedefelde. Feb. 15 Edw. II. [1321].
2. Release from Christian atte Halle to Walter Tykenherst of one half acre and one rood. Oct. 24 Edw. III. [1350].
3. Grant from Walter Tykenherst to Robert and John de Burbach of three roods and an half of land. 11 Oct. 24 Edw. III. [1350].
4. Grant of half an acre of land, cum dimidia aula & quinta parte unius porte muri arbor' fossis & fossatis superstantibus from Henry Creche to Isabelle daughter of Richard Pyrie. 6 Edw. III. [1332].
5. Grant from William Werebald to Robert and John de Burbach of one acre at Rollyng called Crecchescroft. 1 Dec. 23 Edw. III. [1349].
6. Release from Henry Crecche to Robert and John de Burbach of claim on one acre in Crecchescroft in Rollyng. Dec. 23 Edw. III. [1349].
7. Release from John Granger to Robert and John de Burbach of 25 7d 0b from a tenement of Thomas Granger for 5 years ensuing. 22 Jan. 20 Edw. III. [1349].
8. Release of John le Clerk of Sandwich, to Sir Robert de Burbach and John his brother, of all claims on the lands and tenements which had been his father's in Rollyng. 5 Jan. 22 Edw. III. [1348]. Oval seal, red wax, a figure standing habited in a long garment holding up something in one hand.
9. Agreement from Robert de Burbach and John with John le Clerk, that the aforefaid release shall be void, on payment of 40 marks sterling. The same date and seal as N^o 20. Seal broken.

10. Grant

10. Grant from John Granger to Robert and John de Burbach of 0 a. 3 r. 0 p. of arable. 22 March, 23 Edw. III. [1349].
11. Grant from William de Tykenherst to Robert and John de Burbach of one acre of arable. April, 23 Edw. III. [1349].
12. Release from Matilda widow of William de Tykenherst to Robert and John de Burbach, of all claim on the acre granted them by William de Tykenherst. 15 Nov. 23 Edw. III. [1349].
13. Grant from Thomas Tebbe to Robert and John de Burbach, of 1 a. 0 r. 14 p. of arable. 3 April, 23 Edw. III. [1349]. Seal red wax. Virg. & ch. in a lozenge, AVE MARIA GRATIA. (See plate III. fig. 5.)
14. Grant from Thomas Tebbe to Robert and John de Burbach, of 2 acres and a half of arable. 10 Dec. 23 Edw. III. [1349]. Seal same as the last.
15. Indenture of partition of a messuage and 2 acres between John Granger and Alice his sister. 14 Aug. 24 Edw. III. [1350].
16. The counterpart of N^o 15.
17. Grant from John Granger to Robert Berbach, chaplain, of one messuage &c. in Rollyng. 24 Edw. III. [1350]. The seal is of green wax; oval. Legend. S. IOHANNIS GRANG . . .
18. Grant from Thomas ate Solé to Sir Robert de Berbach, chaplain, and John his brother, of 1 acre in Rollyng, at a place called ate Berghe. 23 Edw. III [1349]. Seal round; white wax; obliterated.
19. Grant from Henry Creeche to Robert and John de Burbach, of 2 acres of arable. Oct. 23 Edw. III. [1349]. A round seal, the virgin with a crown on, and child. AVE MARIA GRATIA.
20. Grant from Thomas de Peddyngge of Sandwich, to Henry ate Pende de Peddyngge, of all his lands at Rollyng. 20 Nov. 23 Edw. III. [1349].
21. Grant from Henry at Pende de Pendyng, to Robert and John de Burbach, of all his lands at Rollyng, given by his brother Thomas. Dec. 23 Edw. III. [1349].
22. Release from John Attebrok Sen. and Jun. and Thomas Attebrok, to John and Robert Burbach, and J. Clarke of Sandwich, concerning 3 acres in Rollyng. 27 Oct. 24 Edw. III. [1350].
23. Grant from Thomas Attebrok, to Robert and John Burbach, of one acre. March, 28 Edw. III. [1354].
24. Grant from Robert de Burbach, to dnus Thomas de Wolton, and others, of one messuage and 74 acres and a half, and 1 rood of arable land, late John le Clerk's, and

and of one messuage and 12 acres of arable more, both in Rollynge. Dec. 29

Edw. III. [1355]. Seal round, red wax; ~~ABC~~ round s. ROB'TI DE BOREACH.

25. Copy of a licence of mortmain from Edw. [III.] to William atte Welle chaplain, and others, to assign to the two hospitals, 86 acres and two messuages in Rollyng, which are held of the Archbishop of Canterbury. Indorsed. "Irrot' in tertia parte patentium a^o intra scripto." 6 Aug. 31 Edw. [1357]. The original is in St. John's Hospital. See p. 251.

26. Release from John son of late William Clerk of Sandwich, to both the hospitals, of all claim on the lands granted by Robert de Burghbage chaplain in Rollyng. April, 35 Edw. III. [1361].

27. Grant from Thomas de Woltone, clerk, and others, to the two hospitals of the lands granted to them by Robert de Burbach. 1 April, 36 Edw. III. [1362]. Five Seals.

28. Grant from Robert Dodynton and Alice his wife, to William atte Welle and others, brethren of Harbledown hospital, of a piece of land in Godneston, called Whitefeld. 29 Aug. 49 Edw. III. [1375].

29. Grant from John Adams, to John Blake, of half an acre in Rollyng, called Somerlese. Oct. 8 Ric. II. [1384].

30. Grant from John Blake at Westgate, of half an acre at Rollyng, called le Teghe. 1 Dec. 4 Hen. VI. [1425].

31. Grant from Richard Douglas, to both hospitals, of one yard of land in Gudneston, and of one other yard of land in the same. 2 Jan. 15 Hen. VII. [1499].

32. Release from Grisella Byllys of Sandwich to the hospitals of a quit rent &c. due from their lands at Rollyng. 5 March, 6 Hen. VIII. [1515].

33. Indenture, specifying what the hospitals are to pay out of their lands at Rollyng to the courts of Wyngham, of St. Sepulchre's Canterbury, of William Tytecombe, of Twitham, of the abbot of Langedon, of Chiltone, of Akholte, of John de Harlestone, and to Gwodnestone Church. Sans date.

34. A terrar of Rollyng, containing xxix articles. Sans date. In the same handwriting as N^o 33. Sum of acres $\frac{xx}{iii}$ vi a. 1 r. and half, with a curtilage.

35. A terrar of Rollyng. The same as N^o 34. Sans date.

36. 1. A terrar of Tabeder's land (the same land), containing xxviii articles. Sum total $\frac{xx}{iii}$ viii a. xix p. 1674. In English.

36. 2. Another copy of the same.

37. A terrar of Rollyng, containing xxi articles. Sum total $\frac{xx}{iii}$ a. 11 r. xxiii p. Sans date. In English.

38. 1. A terrar of Rollyng. The same as N^o 37, with the necessary changes of the names of occupiers. 24 July, 1706.
38. 2. A map of Rollyng. There is another, a duplicate, in St. John's Hospital, done 1617.

Borstalle.

39. Confirmation by Mariotta Synages de Borstalle of a division of three acres of land between her daughter Cecilia and herself, in the parish of St. Margaret near Suthgate. 30 Sept. 15 Edw. II. [1324.] Seal oval, legend s. MARIOT FL' WI.....
40. Grant from Ric' Dryvere of Borstalle to Ric' Kebbel of a curtilage [yard or garden plot]. 29 Sept. 7 Edw. III. 1333.
41. Grant from John Suthereye of Borstalle to Ric' Kebbel of a tenement and 1 a. III r. and of 11 r. 14 Jan. 22 Ed. III. 1348.

Chalfloke.

42. Grant from Stephen and John, sons of Roger Rhondes, to Christian de Oxeneye of one acre in Chalfloke. 21 Edw. I. 1291.

Chilham.

43. Grant from William Maycock of Herboldown to the hospital of a piece of land in Chilham in the borgh of Easture. 2 Mar. 1 Ric. II. 1378. In dorf'. A piece of land in Chilham in the borowghe of Easture, now called East Stuarde.

Canterbury.

44. Burgate. In dorf. Carta Elueue Pinneflaue de v denar' libri reddit' fui añuatim p̄cipiend' ad fest' S̄ci Mich' de dono Leticie filie Cauuel in parochia S̄ci Michael' apud Burgate. (See p. 202.)
45. St. Margaret. Grant from Alice daughter of Wiulph of xiiii d. rent from the house of William de Welles in St. Margaret's, paying out of it 111 d. 11 d. and a pair of gloves worth 1 d. annually. Sans date, but it is 26 vel 27 Hen. III. 1243 vel 1244.
46. Indenture between the prior, &c. and Thomas Whychylynge, releasing to him the payment of 1v d. per ann. out of xiiii d. per ann. due to the hospital from an house in St. Margaret's, once William de Welles's, 24 Nov. 3 Hen. V. 1415.

47. St.

47. St. Paul, Ivy Lane. Grant from Thomas Ingelet of Thanet to William atte Weile, chaplain, and others, of a messuage and garden in Standfastlane in St. Paul's. 4 Oct. 37 Edw. III. 1363.
48. Grant from Thomas Godhayt of Mersham to John Frowde and J. Cherche of an house and garden in Standfastlane. July 17 Ric. II. 1393.
49. Grant from John Lovel and others to John Newman and others of two shops in Standfastlane. 4 Jan. 3 Hen. VI. 1424. This is indorsed, Evydence of two houses in Ive Lane in Cantbur'.

Elham.

50. Grant from John Ilent, a brother of the hospital, of one acre and a half in Elham. 1 Jan. 5 Hen. VIII. 1514.
51. Release from John Proude and J. Cherche of lands and tenements in the hundred of Westgate, in Wodnesberg, and in Elham. 24 Jun. 7 Ric. II. 1383.

Graveney. Pettyt.

52. Indenture between the hospital of Herbaldown and Ciriace Pettyt, of Boughton subtus le Blean, of exchange of the pasturage of fourteen sheep, estimated at fourteen acres of Saltmarsh in Graveney, and one rood in Southfield in Graveney, for two acres in Herbaldown. ult' Feb. 13 Eliz. 1571.

Herbaldown.

53. Grant of a close from Thomas de Walesham to William (brother of Gilbert) rector of St. Nicholas de Herbaldun. 37 Hen. III. 1253.
54. Grant from the prioress of Davintun of xi s. rent, which was due to that convent out of Davintun Mead from the hospital. 3 Ed. I. 1274. and a transcript.
55. Release from John Monger of London of a rent of one hen issuing out of half an acre called Isabel Mead, and arrears, on condition that he enjoys half an acre in Isabel Mead, received from the hospital by exchange. 20 May, 25 Eliz. 1583.
56. A map and description of on capitall measuage, known by the name of St. Nicholas Hospitall, lying at Harbaldoune, neere the cittie of Canterbury, with twelve parcells of errable thereunto belonging, contayninge . . . acres, on quarter, two perches. *Gulielmus Boycot descripsit*, 1621. This map is 15 inches and a quarter long, and 14 inches and one eighth broad; and the number of acres, which he has omitted above, is 67 a. 3 r. 13 p. In red 57 a. 1 r. 12 p.; and in black 10 a. 1 r. 31 p.

Hertey.

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57. Grant from William Yue and others to Thomas Smyth and others of iv s. vi d. ob. two cercells* and one third of one hen, and one third of half an hen, and xv eggs. July, 3 Ric. II. 1379. Two seals perfect.
58. Grant from John and William, sons and heirs of brother William Skynner, to Adam Grove and others of the rent as in N^o 70. 6 Jun. 18 Ric. II. 1395.

Lodenham.

59. Grant from John Roper of Whistapell to John Caldying of Goodneston of one messuage and garden and xxxii acres and 1 acre in Lodenham. 21 Hen. VI. 1442.

Stellyng.

60. Grant from John Ilent of 11 s. yearly out of a tenement and two acres at Westmenesse in Stellyng. 7 Jun. 6 Hen. VIII. 1515.

Woodnesborough.

61. Grant from the prior and convent of Ledes to the hospital, to receive at their grange in Wornesburgh three seams of barley, which used to be paid to them out of the tithes of Summerfeld in Wornesburg. Sans date.
62. An ancient copy of the same.
63. A true copy of the patent or grant to the two hospitals for 61. 17 s. 2 d. ob. p ann. (which they used to receive from the monastery of Christ Church, Canterbury, before the dissolution); and to Herboldown Hospital for 10 s. p ann (instead of the 3 seams of barley N^o 74) to be paid by the king's receiver of the Augmentation (Office). 1 May, 37 Hen. VIII. 1545. See pp. 230 and 252, 3.

* From the French "*cercelle*," the water wild fowl, denominated by us a teale. Somner, "*Glossar. ad finem X Scriptorum*." Of these birds there probably was always an abundance in Herteye Island. Two teale, and the third part of another, was a whimsical kind of reddend, and if delivered in kind, with exactness, would probably require the hand of a dextrous carver.

W. and D. in *Gent. Mag.* for 1784, p. 174.

In the *History of Reculver*, p. 152, is a mortmain grant from Henry VI. securing this and other payments to Herboldown hospital; but there, instead of "*ob.*" as above, we read "*medietatem unius quadrantate*" (half a farthing), which has drawn some shrewd remarks from the ingenious writer quoted above. Instead of "*the third part of a hen, and the third of half a hen,*" this grant has also "*the third part of a teale, a hen and a half.*"

STATUTES, CHARTERS, PRIVATE DEEDS, &c.

RELATING TO NORTHGATE HOSPITAL.

From the "Liber Hospitalium," compiled by Dr. Beauvoir.

C H A P. I.

STATUTES and ORDINANCES.

1. An Indenture containing Archbishop Matthew Parker's original Statutes under his Seal, but not signed by him. Dated 20 May, 2 Eliz. 1560. See p. 214.
2. Archbishop John Whitgift's decree that no children be kept in either hospital ; on paper, signed by him, and sealed with his private Seal. 20 May, 1591. See p. 220.
3. Licence from Abp. Whitgift to let by lease, for 21 Years, all their small parcells of land and houses, such as have usually been let for 20^s shillings or under by the year, on certain conditions. (They used before to be let from year to year.)
 1. Notice to be given to the Archbishop of the quantities, &c. reparations, the old rent, the new, fine, term.
 2. The rent to be paid half-yearly or quarterly.
 3. The tenants to bear all charges, repair and build.
 4. The boundaries and abutments to be expressed in every lease always.
 5. No edifice, garden, or ground, belonging to the scite of the Hospital, to be demised by virtue of this license. 28 Sept. 1596.
4. Archbishop William Sancroft's orders to both Hospitals. See p. 223.
 1. Orders forbidding non-residence of the In-brothers under certain penalties.
 2. The master and prior, annually, in March and September, to survey and order repairs ; and the master to report to the Archbishop in October.
 3. Security to be taken from the respective parishes from which they come for the support of the aged, infirm, &c.

4. No

4. No children or grandchildren to be in-dwellers with their parents, unless as nurses, &c. And this to be certified every October to the Archbishop.
5. Stipend from the time of death, to the day of the next admittance, to go to the reparation-purse, and to be cast up every October.
6. The reader to catechise, especially in Lent. Signed by the Archbishop and sealed. 4 March, 1686.
5. Archbishop John Potter's faculty for pulling down the North side of the Chapel, with a plan of the Chapel, under the Archbishop's Seal. Signed John Haynes, Register. 9 June, 1744.
6. A parchment book in quarto, containing Archbishop Parker's Statutes; Archbishop Whitgift's Decree, Number 2 at the beginning; and, at the end, the copy of a decree forbidding the marriage of any in-brother or in-sister, on pain of expulsion. Dated 19 Feb. 1663.
7. Another parchment book in quarto, containing the same as Number 6. And a copy of Archbishop Sancroft's Orders, Number 4.

C H A P. II.

LICENCES OF MORTMAIN—EXEMPTIONS FROM TAILLAGE—
INSPEXIMUS—EXEMPTIONS FROM FIRST FRUITS AND TENTHS.

E D W A R D III.

1. Licence of mortmain, to hold lands, tenements, and rents to the value of 100 \textsterling per ann. tam de feodo suo proprio quam alieno, exceptis terris, tenementis, et redditibus, que de nobis tenentur in capite. 10 Jan. a. r. 1. 1328. (The seal almost whole. The king sitting; one fleur de lys on each side the throne; on the reverse, three lions only on his shield and surcoat.) This was granted "ad requisitionem dilecti Valletti nostri Johannis de Deen hostitarii camere nostre."
2. Another to hold 5 a. 1 r. o p. in Hakyngton, of the yearly value of 21 pence, given by Margaret atte Helde, Richard Fox, Robert Knyght, and John Crocker. 4 Jan. 1329. (Seal broken. The king sitting in the regal chair, as before.)
3. Another to William at Well and others, to assign to both hospitals two messuages and 86 a. o r. o p. in Rollyng, holden of the Archbishop ut dicitur, 6 Aug. a. r. 31 1357 *. (The seal very fair and almost whole.)

* The same farm that is now let to Sir Narborough D'Aeth. See p. 230.

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4. Another

4. Another to Thomas de Wolton, to give 46 acres of land, 6 acres of pasture, 10 acres of underwood and brushwood in St. Cosmas and Hakyngton, worth (ultra redditum resolutum) 11 s. 6 d. per ann. and to Richard de Meddeburne to give 40 s. rent in Herne, to be holden by the hospital as of the value of 4 marks (2 l. 13 s. 4 d.) in satisfaction for part of the 100 s. granted by Number 1. 30 Nov. a. r. 39, 1365. (The seal lost.)
5. Another. Confirmation of Number 1, 3, and 4; and grant to be free tam de contribucione custodie tre maritime, quam tallagiis, auxiliis, et contributionibus. To both hospitals. 6 M. a. r. 45, 1370. (Seal white wax; almost destroyed; torn out.)

RICHARD II.

6. Inspeximus and confirmation of the grant of Edward III. to both hospitals, 1 Dec. a. r. 9, 1335, of freedom from talliage, and licence of mortmain, 28 Jan. a. r. 1, 1378. (Seal lost.)

HENRY V.

7. Inspeximus and confirmation of former grants. 11 Jan. a. r. 8, 1421. (Seal lost.)

EDWARD IV.

8. Inspeximus and confirmation of former grants. 20 March, a. r. 3, 1468. (Seal much broken.)

HENRY VIII.

9. Inspeximus and confirmation. 14 April, a. r. 2, 1511. (Seal perfect, but cracked.)
10. Grant of exemption from first fruits and tenths. a. r. 29, 1538. This is much worn. The revenues of this hospital, as delivered in and upon the survey, amounted to 91 l. 16 s. 8 d. 0 b. (Seal rubbed and broken.)
11. Patent exemplifying a decree of the chancellor and council of the court of augmentations, by which 6 l. 17 s. 2 d. 0 b. which used to be paid to both hospitals by way of alms by the prior and convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, now dissolved, shall *for ever* be paid them by the general receiver of the augmentations. And,
That the hospital of Herboldown *shall have of the King's Highness for ever the some of ten shillings yerely* from the said receiver, for and in recompence of three femes or quarters of barley which they used to receive of the Monastery of Ledes, now dissolved. 1 May, a. r. 37, 1545 *. (The seal is torn off, and much broken.)

* See p. 230, and p. 249.

EDWARD VI.

12. Inspeximus and confirmation of all the former grants. 2 Feb. a. r. 3. 1550.
(Seal broken.)

COMMONWEALTH.

13. Captain Charles Bowles's assignment of certain rents to the hospitals, amounting to 4*l.* 2*s.* 9*d.* in satisfaction for 3*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* \bar{q} . due out of the augmentation office. 10 June, 1654.
- It appears by this deed, that by a decree of the Chancellour and Court of Augmentations, dated 24 April, 37 Henry VIII. 1545 (which is not among the deeds in the hospital chest) 3*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* \bar{q} . was to be paid from the receiver of that office to this hospital; and Captain Bowles covenanted with the trustees appointed by the parliament to sell the fee farm rents belonging to the Commonwealth to pay it: and he here assigns to the hospital 14 different small rents lying in different parishes chiefly in the Weald of Kent, which were old obits, &c. for the satisfaction of this demand on him. This Deed is much hurt by damp.
14. A copy of the Deed, Number 13. imperfect.
15. A letter of attorney from the prior, empowering John Bisset to receive the rents due to the hospital, by virtue of Captain Bowles's assignment. 20 Feb. 1659. Reference is made for particulars to schedules not here. These rents are now lost; and the whole sum vi*l.* xvii*s.* ii*d.* ob. is now paid by the Crown, according to N^o 11.

Archbishop WILLIAM WITTELEY.

16. Confirmation of Edward III's grant of exemption from talliage, Number 5, by excommunicating the infringers of it, "*Sententiâ excommunicationis majoris. Dat' ap' Otteford, xiiii kln' Aprilis, (20 Mar.) 1370.*"
17. A copy of the same, translated into English.

C H A P. III.

INDULGENCES—LICENCES FOR ALMS-GATHERING.

1. **I**NDULGENCE from Archbishop John (Stratford) of 40 days to encourage the giving alms to them when they made their collections through his Diocese, 14 April, 1341. (Only the middle part of the seal remains*. It is torn off. The archbishop in his habit blessing.)

* See plate III. fig. 10.

2. Ralph

2. Ralph (de Stratford) Bishop of London, Indulgence of 40 days to all benefactors to the Hospital. 19 July, 1348. (The middle part of the seal pretty whole. A bishop blessing.)
3. Archbishop Simon (Islip) 40 days. Dat' apud Maghfeld, 14 Julii, 1350.
4. Simon (Langham) Bishop of Ely, 40 days. Dat' apud Cant', 2 non. (6) Oct. 1364. (Seal pretty perfect, excepting round the rim; torn off.)
5. Archbishop William (Wittlesey) 40 days, 18 June, 1369. (Seal lost.)
6. Archbishop William (Wittlesey) 40 days, 19 June, 1369. (Seal quite broken.)
7. King Edward III. A letter of protection, general; and particularly of their procurators collecting alms, 23 Oct. a. r. 48, 1374. (Seal much broken.)
8. A letter sent about with the brother that went about asking alms, containing the indulgences granted to them, 29 June, 1375. (Seal is lost.)

OMNIBUS sancte matris ecclesie prelati ad quos tre iste pvenierint f'res & sorores hospitalis de Northgate de Cantuar' salm ap'icam benedictionem: domus siquidem n'ra in tanta consistit ne'ce & paupertate quod cum maxima miseria vitam indubitanter sustinemus. Ista vero fuerunt beneficia ab archiepi's o'ibus benefactoribus n'ris concessa; scil', Lanfranc' archiepi's fundator ejusdem hospitalis XL dies relaxationis concessit; S'cus Thomas archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Steph'us [Langton] archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Theobaldus archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Ri'cus archiepi's Cant' XL dies; S'tus Edmund' archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Bonifacius archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Jo'nes de Peccham archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Rob'tus Kilwardby archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Rob'tus de Winchelse archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Walfus [Reynolds] archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Symon de Mepeham archiepi's Cant' XL dies; Joh'ns [Stratford] archiepi's Cant' XL dies; I'm Hamo epi's Roffen' XL dies; Robert' epi's Cicestren' XL dies; Ri'cus epi's Roffen' XL dies; Joh'ns epi's Elmessen* xx dies; Will'ms epi's Wynton' xx dies; Henric' Roffen' epi's xx dies; Petrus epi's Hereforden' xx dies; Will'ms epi's Cicestren' xxx dies; frater Gilbert epi's Giadmes de Hy'bnia xxx dies; Radulphus epi's London' XL dies; Steph'us epi's London' xx dies; Thomas epi's Wygorn' xx dies; Henric' epi's Lincoln' xx dies; Henric' epi's Wynton' xx dies; Adam epi's Hereforden' xx dies; Thomas epi's de Dureham xx dies; Symon [Islip] archiepi's Cant' XL dies. Ratificantes insuper omnes indulgencias in hac parte rite concessas & n'ris temporibus concedendas. Frat' Ri'cus, Dei apostolice sedis, gratia Dei, archiepi's de Nazareth, XL dies; preterea XII Cardinales de Curia Romana, q'libet eor' concessit omnibus vere penitentibus & confessis qui ad p'dcm hospitale pium manum adjutrices porrexerint, vel in extremis laborantib' aliquid de bonis suis legaverint dicto hospitali, causa devo'ois accesserint, XL dies de injunctis sibi penitenciis. Omnino diocesanis ejusdem habeant indulgentiam ratam, habint misericorditer in d'no relaxavit & unusquisque relaxat. Ratificans omnes & singulas indulgencias nobis ha'ten' in hac parte rite concessas & temporibus suis in futurum conce-

* Elmeham.

dendas. Propterea Johannes papa vicesimus secundus omnes libertates & immunitates & predecessores suis Romanis pontificibus privilegia seu alias indulgentias dicto hospitali concessis, necnon libertates & exemptiones secularium exactio[n]um a regibus & principibus aliisque Xpi fidelibus nobis & dicto hospitali indulgentias iuste & pacifice optentas auctoritate apostolica & bulle sue patrocinio ratificavit & communivit. Et quod nulli homini liceat hanc paginam sue confirmationis infringere, vel eam ausu temerario contemnere. Et si quis hec attemptare presumpserit, gloriose virginis Marie & beatorum Petri & Pauli apostolorum ejus se noverit cursurum. Concessit etiam idem Johannes papa omnibus benefactoribus nostris stationes curie ratione XIII annorum, etiam septimam partem de injuncta sibi penitentia misericorditer relaxavit. Et qui aliqua bona habuerint, & cui vel quibus ea restituere ignorant; & qui votum fecerunt exceptum Hieronymi, Scriptorum Jacobi, apostolorum Petri & Pauli, & castitatis, vel si aliquis, vel aliqua fecerint delictum erga priorem vel matrem exceptum manuum injectione; faciant elemosinam dicto hospitali Sancti Johannis Baptiste de Northgate. Et dominus papa eos absolvat; exceptis aliis beneficiis & indulgentiis in dicta Romana ecclesia in diebus factis & fiendis imperpetuum. Et si quis predicto hospitali nostro anulum, firmaculum, aurum, argentum, vaccas, juventulam, bidentem, anserem vel vitulum dare & transmittere voluerit, tunc & liberet pecuniis nostris presenti, & eum recipiemus in fraternitatem, hospitalis nostri predicti: concedentes eidem participacionem omnium bonorum operum que in hospitali predicto fient imperpetuum. Et sunt in hospitali nostro centum fratres & sorores ceci, claudi, surdi, & aliis diversis infirmitatibus languenti, qui qualibet die concesserunt & dicunt xxx mille Patrum nostrorum & Ave Maria cum disciplinis, & orationibus innumerabilibus que ibidem sunt: & cum jejuniis & omnium aliorum beneficiorum innumerabilium benefactores nostros participes esse constituimus per presentes. Summam dierum indulgentie de diversis archiepiscopis, episcopis, & cardinalibus concessam excentis a summis pontificibus curie Romana concessam mille XIII annorum CXL dies qui qualibet die missam de diversis domibus & aliis bonis opibus missarum celebrationibus que dicto hospitali sunt quorum secundum nemo noverit nisi solus Deus. Idcirco ad colligendas elemosinas nostras latorem presentium fratrum & fratrum nostrum fidelem clemencie vestre destinamus. Rogantes pro Deo quater de temporalibus bonis vestris ad vite vestre sustentationem si placeat & ad dicti hospitalis edificiorum nostrorum quantumque portionem pro Deo in cordibus vestris destinavit nobis per eum transmittere velit. Prior etiam & conventus ecclesie de Cricherche in Cantuariensi; prior & conventus Sancti Gregorii Cantuariensis, concesserunt omnibus nostris esse participes omnium bonorum que fuerit in eadem domo. Fratres & sorores de nostris bonis concesserunt illis esse participes omnium bonorum que fuerint in eadem domo. In cujus rei testimonium ecclesie sigillum domus nostre pro priorum & conventum fecimus hiis apponi. Datur apud Cantuariam in festo apostolorum Petri & Pauli Anno Domini millesimo ccc septuagesimo quinto.

(It is written in a fair square text, the first letter illuminated, red paragraphs, and is much worn).

9. A like letter from the brethren at Herboldown, 5 June, 1398.

10. Another letter from the brethren of St. John's, empowering sister Mariana Swetman to receive alms, 12 Sept. 1465. (Seal perfect.)

11. Arch-

11. Archbishop Thomas (Bourchier) indulgence of 100 days. 14 June, 1474. (Seal lost.)
12. A licence from four justices, to go about to collect alms at the customary seasons. 4 Jan. 14 Eliz. 1572.
These seasons were, one month before and three weeks after Christmas and St. John Baptist.
13. A like licence from five justices. 12 Jan. 27 Eliz. 1585.

C H A P. IV.

ORIGINAL ENDOWMENT.

1. **H**ENRY de Estria, prior of Christ Church, Canterbury. Inspeximus, recital, and confirmation of the instrument by which Archbishop John (Peckham) revokes the appropriation of the church of Reculver, and settles the maintenance of the hospitals to be out of the archiepiscopal chamber as before, 27 July, 1291, (the archbishop's instrument bears date 7 July, 1290) under the conventual seal. The seal is but little broken, and is very fine. It is engraved by the Society of Antiquaries, and called The third Seal of the Convent.
2. An ancient copy of the same.
3. King Edward III. Licence for appropriation of the parsonage of Reculver to the archbishop's table, and for payment of 160 l. out of the revenues of the see of Canterbury, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain, to both hospitals. 16 Mar. a. r. 22, 1348.
The broad seal is somewhat broken. It is exactly engraved in "La Genealogie des Comtes de Flandres, par Olivier de Wrée," p. 46.
4. An ancient copy of the same.
5. Archbishop Simon (Islip). An order that the 160 l. per annum, due from the archbishoprick to the hospitals, be paid, for the future, out of the church of Reculver. Dat' apud Otteford, 6 Feb. 1355. The seal is somewhat broken. The middle part represents the martyrdom of Becket, over which is the crucifixion, and under it the archbishop kneeling (see plate III. fig. 11.). The legend is almost all broken off.
6. Archbishop Thomas (Chichley)*. Exemplification of N° 3. and of N° 1. and of N° 5. and of the confirmation of Pope Nicholas (I suppose V.) Dat' Romæ, 13 Feb. a. p. 2. (1447.)

* Chichley's Christian name was 'Henry,' not 'Thomas,' and he died in 1443. John Stafford was archbishop in 1447.

The truth of this exemplification is attested by the archiepiscopal seal, and the attestations of two notaries public. Dat' in eccles' de Hakynton, anno 1447, 5 Maii.

7. An authentic extract from the "Parliamentary Survey of the Manor of Boughton, parcell of the Possessions of the late Archbishop of Canterbury;" mentioning the payment of seven score pounds per ann. to the two hospitals, out of the manors of Boughton and Reculver, appointed by Archbishop Lanfranc, and 20 l. per ann. more, out of Reculver, by Archbishop Richard.

8. Copy of an order for the continuance of the payment of 160 l. per ann. to the two hospitals.

By the Trustees for maintenance of Ministers, June 25, 1652.

WHEREAS there is due unto the brothers and sisters of the two hospitalls of St. Nicholas in Herboldowne and St. John's without Northgate, in Canterbury, in the county of Kent, the yearly summe of one hundred and sixty poundes, payable by the Archbishop of Canterbury for the time being to the priors of the said severall hospitalls, to bee by them distributed among the brothers and sisters of the said hospitalls, according to their proportions: Now, in pursuance of an act of this present parliament, for the sale of gleablands of bishops, and deanes and chapters; it is ordered that the said yearly summe of one hundred and sixty poundes bee, and the same is hereby, allowed and continued to the said brothers and sisters of the said hospitalls respectively, the same to be accompted from the first day of November last.

Ex. WM. STEELE.

Vera Copia.

JOHN THOROWGOOD.

FRA. WEST.

RICHARD YOUNG.

JO. POCOCK.

C H A P. V.

PRIVATE DONATIONS.

Ash.

1. Grant from Thomas and John Hochon of xvi d. annual rent out of a messuage and one acre and a half of land at Nash in Ash. 25 Feb. 33 Hen. VI. 1455. (Much perished.)
2. Translation of the same.

Bishoppesbourn.


3. Grant from Thomas Myles of Bourne to John Broun of Bourne of one place of a messuage in Bishoppesbourn. Apr. 11 Edw. III. 1337.

Brabourne.

4. Grant from John Schottewade to John Andrews and Bartholomew Vade of all his lands and tenements in Braborne. July, 18 Ric. II. 1394.
5. Grant from Stephen Andrewe of Braborne to Peter Tanner and others of all his lands (excepting xii acres), tenements, and reversions in Braborne and Hastingleghe. 8 Hen. V. 1420.
6. Grant from John Marchant of Braborne to Stephen Andrewe of one toft called Clokeslaghe, containing half a rood. 4 Jun. Hen. V. 1421. (Much worn and torn.)
7. Grant from Elis Bakere to Stephen Andrew and others of all his lands and tenements in Braborne and Demecherche. 12 H. VI. 1433.

Canterbury.

8. St. Alphege. Copy of a clause in Matthew Brown's will giving x s. yearly to each of the hospitals of Eastbridge, Maynard's, St. John's, and Herbaldown, out of two messuages in Staplegate, dated Dec. 12, 1717, proved Aug. 26, 1721.

9. St. Andrew. Confirmation by William de Aula and Amabilia his wife of a bequest of William le Brewere of 14 s. p ann. charged on a tenement in St. Andrews, to buy pease for their potage. 20 Apr. 1275. (Worn to pieces.)
10. St. George. Release from Clementia widow of Stephen Merile to Thomas de Prey of all claim on a messuage in Bertha de Newyngate in suburbio, which he had bought of her husband. March, 1 Edw. I. 1273.
11. Release of all claim from Agnes daughter of John Brewere to Thomas de Percy on a messuage in Richerchepe in St. George's in the suburbs of Canterbury. 1 Edw. II. 1307.
- Quod quidem messuagium Alicia quondam uxor prædicti Johannis le Brewere, & mater mea mihi & . . . forori meæ in testamento suo secundum consuetudinem civitatis Cantuar' legavit. (Seal very fair, round  s. AL . . IE FILE JOHIS BREVER.)
12. Grant from Thomas de Percy to John de Selveston of one messuage in St. George's in the suburbs. 1313. (The seal is remarkable, on a field sable two combatants with sword and very small buckler, round s. THOME HER C)
13. Grant from John Sythe to Roger Barham of a tenement in Retherchepe. Apr. 6 Hen. IV. 1405.
14. Grant from Roger Barham to Martin Chesman of the same. July, 9 Hen. IV. 1408.
15. Release of claim on the same from William Harry of Bishoppesbourne to Martin Chesham. 9 Hen. IV. 1408.
16. Grant from Martin Chesham to John Nash of the same tenement. 22 July, 1 Hen. VI. 1423.
17. Release from John atte Nessche to Martin Chesham of claim on the same. May, 3 Hen. VI. 1425.
18. Grant from Martin Chesham to William Skot and others of the said tenement. 20 Apr. 4 Hen. VI. 1426.
19. St. Mary at Bredene. Grant from John Ordwy of Stelling to Thomas de Wolton *, clerk, and others, of one acre in St. Mary at Bredene apud Doddisdane. Nov. 1 Ric. II. 1377. (Seal)
20. St. Mary de Castro. Grant from Joan wife of the late John de Selvestone of Eastry, to the hospital of 11 s. annual rent out of the southern part of a capital messuage in St. Mary de Castro, which John de Monck used to pay her. 5 Aug. 16 Edw. III. 1342.

* Thomas de Wolton was master of Eastbridge Hospital from 1351 to 1381.

21. Letter of attorney from Joan wife of late John de Silvestone to William her son to put the hospital in possession of the above annuity of 11 s. 5 Aug. 16 Edw. III. 1343.
22. Release from John Byrcholte of vi d. rent from a piece of land called Readacr at Reydowne, which the hospital used to pay to him. 7 Feb. 27 H. VI. 1449.

St. Martin and St. Paul. Wyke.

23. Thomas de Garwynton, Jun. to the hospital 32 acres, and a pension of 15 s. 3 d. 05. and eight cocks and nineteen hens, with reliefs, &c. formerly belonging to the chantry of Lukedale in Littlebourn, of his own patronage: which 32 acres lay at Wyke. 11 Aug. 30 Edw. III. 1356.
24. Indenture from the abbot and convent of St. Augustin, permitting the hospital to take the aforesaid from Thomas de Garwynton, and hold it by the services therein recited: paying 13 s. 4 d. to the convent for the land, as lords of the fee, and doing service at the court at Longe Port. 38 Edw. III. 1364. much worn. The seal is pretty well preserved.
25. Edward III. Licence of mortmain to Thomas de Garwynton to make the foregoing assignment. 25 July, a. r. 38, 1364. Broad seal somewhat different from the others.
26. Extract from a terrier of the parsonage of St. Paul, made 5 June, 33 Hen. VIII. 1542. In the archives of the Cathedral, Canterbury, and from an exemplification under the broad Seal, 28 Jan. 8 Eliz. 1567, both to shew that five acres, lying in St. Paul's parish, were part of a Field called Brethren Field. See the Map, Ch. 6. 1.
27. A copy of the petition from the hospital to Archbishop Whitgift, touching Sir Moyle Finch's detaining Mote lands from them. Post 1583.
28. Exemplification of a recovery in an ejectment between Abraham Hartwell, lessee of the hospital, plaintiff, and William Brown, defendant, of 27 acres lying in St. Martin's parish near Canterbury, parcel of 32 acres contained in their demise to him, and of judgment for the defendant for the residue. 5 Feb. 41 Eliz. 1599.
29. Extract from the Survey of Colleges, &c. in Kent, "onerat' seu onerabilia ad "soluconem primiciar' & decimar'," made 37 Hen. VIII. concerning the hospital of St. John. Extracted 11 August, 1624. It was taken to shew, among other particulars of their possessions, the following, "cert' terr' ibm cont' xvi "acr' terr' in tenur' Willmi Fynch, milit', jacen' juxta veñell apud Fourhede "Crosse, xiiii s. iiii d. & ultra redd' resolut'."
30. Copy of a petition from the hospital (after being cast in a trial at law) to Archbishop Abbot, to permit them to accept Lady Finch's offer of 40 l. for arrears,

arrearages, 20 l. towards costs, and 13 s. 4 d. annually for ever, and to permit them to release all claim on the lands. 1627.

31. Archbishop Abbot's consent to the petition, and decree thereupon. Signed by him, Oct. 3, 1627.

32. The petition of the prior and brethren to the Countess of Winchelsea, signed by them, and her declaration of agreement with them, according to the termes N^o 31. Signed by her, 7 Feb. 7 Car. I. 1631.

33. Indenture of agreement between the Countess of Winchelsea and the hospital, by which the hospital renounces all claim on the lands at Moat, and the Countess engages for the payment of 13 s. 4 d. annually for the future, with arrears from 1564, amounting to 44 l. 15 s. 4 d. and to add 20 l. more, provided 60 l. be laid out in a purchase for the benefit of the hospital*. This agreement was in consequence of a verdict given at a trial in the Guildhall, Canterbury, in 1616, in favour of the Countess, and was made with the allowance of Archbishop Abbott, 8 Feb. 7 Car. I. 1633. The seal is rubbed off. This is signed by the Countess.

34. St. Mildred. Grant from John de Pyywode to Thomas atte Hecche of a messuage in Stour Strete. 25 Mar. 15 Edw. III. 1361.

35. Grant from Susan atte Bore widow, and Sibella daughter of Hugh Turnour, to Thomas Cobits and Alice Overyes his wife, of one messuage in Northgate: in length XLVIII feet, in breath from Broadstreet XVIII feet, in breadth from Fossam XVI feet. Jan. 1, Ed. II. 1308. Damaged by wet.

36. Lease from John Henepher and Robert Wade to the prior, &c. of a messuage in Northgate, juxta regiam fossam, for the term of 100 years. 23 Edw. III. 1349. Almost obliterated.

37. Lease by indenture from John Henepher and Robert Wade to the hospital of a tenement for 100 years. 23 Edw. III. 1449.

38. Grant from Robert Colt and John Tygge of Westgate without to Richard Dunkyn of a tenement and garden in Broadstreet. 3 June, 14 Hen. VI. 1436.

39. Indenture of conveyance from Richard Dunkyn to John Spencer and others of one tenement and garden in Brodestrete. 20 Aug. 26 Hen. VI. 1448.

40. Release from John Skot, Esq. and others to Richard Dunkyn of all claim on a tenement and garden in Brodestrete. 4 Sept. 27 Hen. VI. 1448.

41. Indenture of conveyance from John Spencer and others to Simon Bird and Thomas Hempstede of a tenement in Brodestrete on payment of iv l. 14 Oct. 37 Hen. VI. 1458.

42. Counterpart.

* See p. 202.

43. Grant:

43. Grant from Nicholas Churchman and others, feoffees of William Brokynden and others, feoffees of Simon Bird, to Hamo Lambard and others of a tenement in Broadstreet. 30 May, 1 Edw. IV. 1451.
44. Grant from John Rowe to John and Joan Clerke of Lyminge of a tenement in Brodestrete. 3 Jun. 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
45. Indenture from John and Joan Clerke of Lymynge granting to Jacob and Alice Colyn one tenement in Brodestrete, reserving a rent of vii l. p ann. for the term of their own lives. 4 July, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
46. Counterpart.
47. A pair of indentures by which William Kendall, and others, confirm to John Asbourn, R. Grove, and R. Exbregge one messuage and one garden on payment of the sums therein specified. 5 Nov. 21 Hen. VII. 1481. Endorsed. The upper house in Broadstreet.
48. Release from Alexander Bokyngham to Nich. and Ag. Wade of all claim on two tenements and gardens contiguous in Brodestrete. 15 Dec. 7 H. VII. 1491.
49. Indenture of conveyance from Nich. and Agnes Wade to John Wade and others of a tenement and garden, on payment of viii l. xiii s. iv d. 24 July, 9 Hen. VII. 1494.
50. Indenture from Robert Hynksell and others, feoffees of Nich. and Agnes Wade, granting, at the request of Edmund and Agnes Wylcock, late wife of John Wade, to John Poyle and others a tenement and garden in Broadstreet for the use of Johanna the wife of John Wattys and his heirs for ever. 27 June, 12 Hen. VII. 1498.
51. Release from Agnes widow of Nich. Wade to Robert Hynksell and others of all claim on a tenement and garden. 15 Feb. 12 Hen. VII. 1449.
52. Grant from James Downe, clerk, to Ralph Browne, Pargrave, and others, of a messuage and garden in Northgate. 14 Apr. 19 Hen. VII. 1504.
53. Grant from Ralph Browne and others to William Kendall and others of one messuage and garden in Northgate. End of the upper house in Broadstrete. 14 Apr. 20 Hen. VII. 1505.
54. Grant from Ralph Browne and Richard Exbregge to William Michell, clerk, and two others, of one messuage and garden in Broadstreet. 27 Feb. 13 Hen. VIII. 1522. Almost perished.
55. Grant from William Michell, clerk, and others, in compliance with the will of William Pargrave, to Nicholas Reynolds and others of a messuage and garden in Broadstreet. 30 Oct. 21. Hen. VIII. 1530.
56. Grant

56. Grant from Thomas Laurence and others, at the request of Matilda widow of William Pargrave, who ordered it to be sold by his will, of a messuage and garden in Broadstreet, to R. Reynolds, P. Richemont, R. Frognall, and R. Chaundler. 31 Oct. 21 H. VIII. 1530.
57. Warranty from John son of James Baker and Susan his wife, to William and Isabelle le Centurer, of two shops and a piece of land in Broadstreet, which they had from Nicholas de Acrise, clerk. 16 Edw. I. 1287. Seal, a star of sixteen points, s. IOHIS FIL. IACOBBI. Seal, a star of sixteen points, s. SUSANNE FIL. IOHIS.
58. Grant from John Payne to . . . atte Lease and Thomas K'yping, and one tenement. Endorsed. Of one of the houses in Broadstreet. 1 Ric. II. 1377.
59. Smith. George Smith of Chelsfield, Kent, enfeoffed John Boys, and eleven more of their heirs, of one messuage newly made, two dwellings backwardes, and gardens in Northgate, to pay one-fifth of the rent to himself during life, and to whom he shall appoint, end two-fifths to ten, nine, eight, seven, six, or five poor householders of St. Paul's, and two-fifths to St. John's Hospital. This is an indenture from the feoffees empowering the prior and his four assistants, and the churchwardens of St. Paul's for the time being to appoint a person to receive and pay the above rents. 10 Sept. 1622.
60. New enfeoffment from Thomas Mills, Jonas Waters, and John Evernden, survivors of the first 12 feoffees to 12 new ones, six of Northgate, and six of St. Paul's. 3 Sept. 1645. It is here said these tenements were purchased of Edward Robarts, Gent. and their boundaries are described.
61. New enfeoffment by George Young, Ric. Pyfing, Nich. Fowle, and Paul Gilmer, survivors of the second enfeoffment, to 12 new feoffees. 17 Mar. 16 Char. II. 1663.

Sbrottynton Lane, vulgo Ruttington Lane.

62. 1. Grant from Nicholas le Gardener to William de Wy of a piece of land ten feet long and seven feet broad. March, 8 Edw. II. 1315. Seal round, a star with eight points, s. NICOLAI GARDINIR.
62. 2. Grant from Alice, widow of William de Hortone, to William de Askelby of a messuage and a piece of land. 13 Edw. II. 1320. Seal s. AINCIE UXOR WIL.
63. Grant from Clement Thomas to John Bret and John Weryn of all his lands and tenements in Throttynton Lane. 18 Ric. II. 1389.
64. Release from John Gate Wever to John Park . . . of all claim on one tenement and garden. 3 Oct. 18 Hen. VI. 1439.

65. 1. Grant from John Farinteyn of Fordwich to Sampson Colman and John Burbage of a tenement and garden. 10 Dec. Ed. III. Much perished.

65. 2. Grant from Thomas Sheder to Salomon Halke of a tenement and garden. 10 Mar. 24 H. VI. 1446.

Bertha de Northgate, Ducklane.

66. Grant from Henry son of Thomas le Cliter, and Matilda his wife to William le Bukeler and Isabella his wife of a messuage, &c. in Bertha de Northgate. 21 Edw. I. 1292. Endorsed. In Duklane. Seal round, white wax, stan. broken.

Le Boar.

67. Grant from Ad. Baley to John atte Hecche of a messuage at Le Bor. 14 Ed. III. 1340.

68. Grant from John atte Hecche to Ric. Godeman of the said messuage. 41 Edw. III. 1367.

69. Grant from Ric. Godeman to Thomas de Wolton and others of the said messuage. 18 Oct. 41 Edw. III. 1367. Much perished.

70. Grant from John Arumper, brother of John Mylstede, to William Wells of a messuage apud Le Bor. Jan. 14 Edw. III. 1340.

Froxpole Lane.

71. Grant from John Snil Chaloner, and Sarah widow of Adam Robert, to William Stabler de Stebbregge of two shops in Froxpole. 24 Edw. III. 1350. Much perished.

72. Grant from William Stabler to John and Margaret Gardiner of one shop and garden in Froxpole. 32 Edw. III. 1358.

73. Lease from the hospital to John Tournour of an house and land in Froxpole lane for the term of 100 years, rent x*d.* sterling. 18 Oct. 14 Ric. II. 1390. Almost perished.

74. Grant from Patricius Clerk to Joan Byrdys, sister of the hospital, of a shop and garden in Froxpole lane. 6 Hen. IV. 1405.

75. Release from Joan Byrdys to John Knyght and others of all claim on the said tenement and garden. Mar. 6 Hen. IV. 1428.

76. Grant from John Ledys to Thomas Feeffe of iii r. in Northgate. Mar. 13 Hen. VI. 1435.

77. Letter

77. Letter of attorney from John Ledys to Thomas Sturmyrn, to put Thomas Feeffe in possession. Mar. 13, Hen. VI. 1435.
78. Grant from Thomas Feeffe to William and Robert Engeldard of the said iii r. 15 Feb. 16 Hen. VI. 1438.
79. Grant from William and Robert Engeldard to Thomas Palmer of the said iii r. 4 Oct. 23 Hen. VI. 1444.

Poldrefield.

80. Grant from Cecily Haleok to William Wygge, vicar of St. Dunstan, of a piece of land at Poldrefield in Northgate. 12 June, 15 Ric. II. 1392.

Sturry Road.

81. Confirmation by Stephen Frende of the devise made by John Fremyngham of ii a. i r.* to the hospital in Northgate, after the death of his wife Joan and Thomas Chyldemell. 5 May, 16 Ed. IV. 1477. Indorsed, "Juxta viam que ducit ad Sturry."
82. Grant from John Lameherst to John Starkey and others, feoffees, of ii a. i r.* in Northgate. 15 Nov. 19 Hen. VIII. 1528.
83. Release of claim from John de Grenehew and others to Lawrence and Julian his wife, on a messuage in Northgate, once Walter Fryblod's. Jan. 19 Ed. II. 1326. Very much worn. The situation is not described.

Lexis Lane.

84. Release from Dionysia, relict of Reginald Counger, and Margaret his daughter, to Sir Andrew Byford, chaplain, of a piece of land and the buildings thereon at Lexislane in Northgate, xxxi feet long, xix feet broad. 24 June, 1 Edw. III. 1327. Indorsed, "De tenemento Konegh."
85. Grant from Thomas de Eskilby to Robert and Collette Cook of two pieces of land in Northgate. 33 Edw. III. 1358.
86. Fragment of a grant of William Engeldard to Roger of a tenement and garden in Northgate. 24 Hen. VI. 1445. See N^o 79.
87. Copy of the will of brother P. Ruffel, bequeathing his gret house, after his wife's decease, to the hospital. 20 June, 1502.

* This must probably be the iii roods of meadow or pasture land now leased to Mr. George Frend, at a rack rent of 1 l. 10 s. as it is described in the lease as "bounding to the king's highway leading from Canterbury to Sturry."

St. Paul.

88. Grant from Thomas and Agnes Yngelot of Tanet to Margery Rufshelyn, prioress of the sisters of the Almonry of St. Augustin, of xii d. rent out of a tenement in St. Paul's. 25 Edw. III. 1352. Seal, virgin and child. Legend very fair.
89. Grant from John Lovel, clerk, and others, feoffees of the late Henry Webbe, to William Benet and others, of two shops in St. Paul's. 28 Jan. 8 Hen. VI. 1430.
90. Parcell of St. John's Jerusalem, copied and attested by Mr. Somner. This is a copy of part of a rentall, by which it appears that they received from St. John's Hospital, for the rent of a tenement in Loderslane, p ann. xii d.* for do of Herboldown Hospital x d. and paid to both hospitals p ann. viii s. viii d. ob.

Westgate without.

91. Grant from Elueua ate Melne, late wife of Elyas Marechal, to the hospital of 111 s. annually out of a tenement there. Sans date. Indorsed, "Crocker Leane Ende †."
92. Grant (on payment of xv s. 11 d. sterl.) from John, son of Hugh, son of Edward, of xxvii d. annually to the hospital, to be paid, xii d. by Edward Pottere out of a messuage, one acre of land, and wood on it, and xiv d. by Robert the carter. Sans date.
93. Another grant of the same annually, from John, son of Hugh, &c. in which the lands are more clearly specified. Sans date. The seal is broken; the outer coat is green, the inner red wax.
94. Grant from Reginald, prior, and the convent of St. Martin, Dover, with the consent of Archbishop Stephen (Langton), to Northgate Hospital of eight acres and a half of wood without Westgate, of the tenement of the Archbishop, which was given to them by Peter, son of Salomon, son of Ulric de Sandwich, paying to the convent xii d. annual rent. Sans date. A very fine deed. Between 1207 & 1228.
95. Grant from Richard de Bernesole, son of Turg' de Hylleghe, to the hospital of xx s. and 1 d. sterling rent, and one cock and four hens, without Westgate and Northgate, from the persons therein named, for which the hospital paid xii marks sterling. 55 Hen. III. 1271. Seal is sewed up in a piece of leather.

* Though no such tenement or lane can now be found, this xii d. escheating probably to the crown, on the suppression of the Knights of St. John, and being granted as a fee-farm rent to the Dean and Chapter of Rochester, is still paid annually to their receiver, with iv d. for acquittance. But who pays in return the "viii s. viii d. ob." also mentioned above?

† Mr. Tilbe now pays for a house in Crocker Lane a like annuity of 111 s. and Mrs. Strouts, for a house there, x d.

96. Another copy of Richard de Bernesole's grant, of the same date. In this he writes himself "Ric' de Dovor, fil' Turgil' de Yllegh." In the date, "anno regni reg' Henr' fil' reg'." "Johis" is omitted. Seal oval.
97. Release from Stephen de Fyndon of Canterbury to Stephen de Horsham of all claim on a rent of viii d. out of a tenement without Westgate. 37 Edw. III. 1363. Almost perished. Seal, broken, has an inscription round the arms*.
98. Release from John Proude of Canterbury of for which John Smyth and himself were made feoffees by Constance [Bertyn]. In part perished. 20 May, [1487].
99. Confirmation from William Hope, grandson of Constance Bertyn, of three shillings annually † out of certain tenements in Crocker lane. 28 Feb. 19 Edw. IV. 1479. Tho. atte Wode [Atwood] Esq. maior.

Priory of St. Gregory, and Archbishop Simon Islip ‡.

100. Composition between St. Gregory's Priory and the hospital concerning a sewer going from St. Gregory's under the king's highway, and a shop called the Goter-shope and a curtilage of the hospital, going from thence in a strait line to the great ditch where now clothes are washed, being in length from the king's highway xviii rods, and in breadth three feet. Confirmed by Archbishop Simon Islip. Sealed with the seal of the priory, and under this seal, 17 Sept. 31 Edw. III. 1358. The Archbishop's seal, almost entire, has the Archbishop in the middle, over his head and under his feet broken §. Upper compartments, crozier side, St. Paul; other side, St. Peter (as legate of the apostolical see). Under, two angels, one supporting the arms of England ||, the other of the see, in which are inserted two croziers. St. Gregory's seal has in the middle St. Gregory; on his right hand St. Mildred; the other side is broken.

Chiflet. Park Street.

101. Grant from Henry Holte to Thomas Walware of one messuage at Park street in Chiflet. 12 Hen. IV. 1352. Small round Seal.
102. Anicia Hughes, widow of John Middleton, of one messuage here. 20 April, 10 Hen. V. 1422. The seal the same as 101.
103. Letter of attorney from Robert Holyman, empowering Thomas Deryng to put Hamon and Joan Bregge in possession of a feeding of four cows in a marsh called

* This is the sum still paid by Mr. Tilbe.

† See N^o 91.

‡ This, by mistake, is labelled "Archbishop Simon Mepham."

§ See this seal in plate III. fig. 11. from the instrument described in p. 209.

|| Archbishop Islip had been secretary and keeper of the privy seal to K. Edward III.

Saltkynesbrok, and two pieces of arable. 2 April, 19 Hen. VI. 1451. Much worn.

104. Release from Nicholas Gylbert to Hamo Bregge of all claim on a messuage, garden, and xxix a. 11 r. of land, wood, meadow, and pasture, lying separately in Chistlet, granted to him and the late Robert Kennet by Robert Holyman. 10 Feb. 36 Hen. VI. 1457.

105. John Parsoun of Chistlet to Ric. Hoke of two pieces of land. 45 Ed. III. 1472.

Forstalfield.

106. Robert, son and heir of Thomas Consant, to John Ive of three acres in Forstalfield, below the curtilage de Hacche. 8 Oct. 6 Hen. VII. 1490.

Cosmus Blean. Foxholes.

107. John, son of Robert Lapyn, to Thomas Braunche of a piece of land at Foxholes. 26 Nov. 22 Edw. III. 1348.

108. Thomas Adam de Helde in Hakynton to Thomas Kywhit and Peter Botevilayne, brothers of the hospital, of a piece of land at Foxholes in Cosmus Blean. 3 Feb. 25 Edw. III. 1352.

109. Release from Thomas Adam of Hakynton to Thomas Braunche of all claim on one croft and one acre of wood-land at Foxholes. 32 Edw. III. 1359. Seal oval a half moon between two stars.

110. Grant from Thomas Braunche of Canterbury of one croft in St. Cosmus Blean, called Foxholes, 8 Nov. 33 Ed. III. 1360. Seal (see plate III. fig. 4.) round, fair, and the impresson from the murder of Becket.

111. Walter and Constance Boner and John Taborer to Sir Thomas de Wolton, clerk, and others, of a croft at Foxholes, and part of one messuage and one croft in Hakynton. Mar. 30 Edw. III. 1358.

112. Walter Bonere to the hospital of a piece of land at Lithisfelde in said parish. 34 Edw. III. 1360.

113. William Martyn of Hakynton to John Hurtyng and others, of a piece of land at Scherthe in Cosmus Blean. 27 Dec. 11 Hen. IV. 1410.

114. Nicholas Pende to Robert Causton of half an acre in Cosmus Blean called Sheperdycroft. 18 Sept. 18 Hen. VI. 1439.

115. Robert Causton to the hospital of the said half acre. 2 Jan. 24 Hen. VI. 1446.

Godwynstone. Rollyng.

116. John Stour to Simon Philpot of a messuage and four feet of land. 11 June, 15 Ric. II. 1392.
117. Thomas Copedok to Giles Nyker of and one acre at Elmynton Almost obliterated.
118. Thomas, son of Richard Sedeges, to John and Emma Sedeges of one rood of land at Heryngodes, and his part of a messuage, late Richard Sedeges's. 13 Edw. III. 1339.
119. John Sedeges to Thomas and Joan Copedok and their issue, of one messuage and half an acre of land divisim; if no issue, to revert. 31 Edw. III. 1357. Much worn.
120. Hamo and Thomas, sons of Stephen atte Steghele of Ash, to Thomas Copedok of one rood and a half. 39 Ed. III. 1355.
121. Thomas Cheefman of Bourn to Thomas Copedok of half a rood of land. 50 Edw. III. 1376. See T. Ch. 183.
122. William Tebbe to Thomas Copedok one rood at Rymerstoun. 25 Mar. 6 Ric. II. 1383.
123. Thomas Copedok and Simon Philpot to John Copedok of two acres and one acre, in all three acres, in a field called Attemede. 10 June, 20 Ric. II. 1397.
124. William Couper to John Copedok of Sandwich two acres and one rood and a half at Northdane. 20 April, 22 Ric. II. 1399.
125. Release from Alice Dowele and Constance Chapman, daughters and heireffes of John Copedok, and Thomas Shereman, cousin and heir, to both hospitals, of all claim on a tenement and ten acres, late John Copedok's. 3 May, 4 Edw. IV. 1463. Almost perished.
126. Another release from the same, dated 1 June 4 Edw. IV. 1463.
127. Acquittance from Thomas Sherman of London for xx s. in full payment of all demands on the said tenement and ten acres. 9 May, 6 Ed. IV. 1466.
128. John Coppedok to John Frede and others of one messuage and garden. 6 Feb. 5 Hen. VI. 1427.
129. Henry Chapman to both hospitals of two acres. 10 April, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
130. Henry Chapman's letter of attorney, empowering William Jacob to put the priors in possession. 12 April, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
131. Simon Leycestre of Sandwich to both hospitals of a tenement and eight acres, late John Coppedok's. 12 May, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.

132. Simon Leycestre's letter of attorney to William Jacob for livery and seisin*
12 May, 4 Edw. IV. 1464.
133. John Baker of Chyllendon to John Johnson and Thomas Warde of a tenement and ten acres, late John Coppedok's. 25 July, 8 Hen. VII. 1492.
134. John Johnson and Thomas Warde to both hospitals of the said tenement and ten acres. 31 July, 8 Hen. VII. 1492.
135. Richard Douglas to bothe hospitals of two yards of land separate. 2 Jan. 15 Hen. VII. 1500.
136. Release from Richard Douglas of all claim on the same. 20 Aug. 20 Hen. VII. 1505.
137. Affidavit before the mayor of Sandwich, by Griffell Bills, that her late husband John left to the hospital an annual rent goyng yerlie out of the lands of the said brethren, called Taberland at Rollyng, as by dede of release appears. Under the common seal, 21 Feb. 28 Hen. VIII. 1537.

Graveney.

138. William de Beyrdestone to the hospital of half the rent of a saltwork there*.
10 Edw. I. 1281. Much perished. Seal oval, red wax. S. IACOBI FIL' WIL-
ELMI.

Hakinton, vulgo St. Stephen's.

139. James son of William de Colewenewode, to the hospital of a tenement in Hakinton and some land, late belonging to Master Hugo de Clervans, with an annuity of xxxvii d. from different persons, on payment of xl marks sterling. 55 Hen. III. 1260.
140. Release from John, son of Terric of Canterbury, to the hospital of all claim on six acres in the tenure of the Archbishop, which the Archbishop had by the feofment of Lucia de Hakinton. 4 Edw. I. 1275. Torn.
141. Margaret, daughter of Arthur atte Helde, to the hospital of three acres and a drove-way at Stonrokks. Sept. 10 Edw. II. 1317.
142. Walter and Constance Bonere of Cosmus Blean to the hospital of one messuage and toft. 34 Edw. IV. 1360. (See 111.)
143. John Ropere of Westgate to Thomas de Wolton and others, of houses and land at Teghellershelde. 28 May, 36 Edw. III. 1362.

* Now probably reduced to a pension of 2 s. per ann. paid by John Lade, Esq.

144. William Fox to the hospital of two acres for xcix years by indenture. 7 Oct. (1477.) 17 Edw. IV.

145. Indenture between the hospital and Sir Roger Manwood, granting a water-course from the spring-head in their wood called St. John's, alias Brotherhood wood, unto his house at Hakinton, in a leaden pipe, on payment of vi s. viii d. annually; confirmed and signed by Archbishop John (Whitgift), and signed and sealed by Sir Roger Manwood. 13 March, 30 Eliz. 1588*.

Herne.

146. Assignment from Thomas de Woltone to Philip de Northwode of all his lands and tenements at Henneford †, paying to this hospital xl s. and to Harbledown hospital xx s. annually. 18 Oct. 30 Edw. III. 1356.

147. Thomas Barġve and others to Richard and Joan Lucas of one acre for their natural lives. 1 Nov. 3 Ric. II. 1379.

148. Thomas Sprynget to John Barry of his lands and manor called Henneford †, and two acres at Hampton, which he had from Barry. Sept. 1 Hen. IV. 1400.

149. Release from Thomas Sprynget to James Twitham of all claim on Henneford †, purchased of John, son of Philip Northwode, and of ten acres, six at Hares in Childe, two William at Halkes, two at Stateslonde, purchased of the said Northwode. 8 Jan. 12 Hen. IV. 1411.

150. James Twitham to William Benet and others, of all his three tenements, woods, &c. in Herne, which he had by feofment from John Yong, on some condition which is worn out. 6 June, 4 Hen. VI. 1426.

151. Copy of the will of Nicholas Rydere, granting to certain feoffees a capital messuage and lands for the term of ten years, with certain entails, paying for that term vi s. viii d. a year to the hospitals, and after other contingencies some other sums to these and other religious houses. 10 Feb. 1437. Almost obliterated.

152. Fragment. Thomas Nowthorpe to John Bette of a messuage at Onderdowne. 28 Aug. H.

153. Matthew Philip, alderman of London, to Henry Harder six acres near the rectory. 29 Oct. 30 Hen. VI. 1452.

154. Probate of the will of Johane Harder, widow, sister of the hospital, ordering (beside bequests at her funeral, &c.) her feoffees to deliver an account of her lands ‡ at Herne to the prior, and the filling up the feofment. 25 Jan. 3 Hen. VIII. 1512.

155. Feoffment from John Martin and others to John Lamberherst and others for the purposes of Joan Harder's will. 26 May, 3 Hen. VIII. 1512.

* The same sum is still paid by Sir Edward Hales, bart. the present possessor of the Hackington house and estate.

† These are the 50 acres now let by both hospitals to Mrs. Tucker. See N^o 216.

‡ This must be the land mentioned in N^o 216, now let to John Hubbard, as in the lease it is styled "Mayes, some time called Sister Harding's land."

156. 1. Thomas and Charity Marten to Thomas Peeffe of Grove of two acres of woodland, late Joan Sanders's, mother of Charity Marten. 4 April, 27 Eliz. 1585.

156. 2. Hugh Cherlton, clerk, and William atte See, to both hospitals of one acre called Goldhord, late Robert Bysmer's. 39 Hen. VI. 1461.

157. Conveyance from John Welby, jun. to the hospital of two acres and a half arable in Haweburgh, and of a tenement, garden, and two acres adjoining at Childforstal *, alias Herft †, near the common in Herne, for sixty pounds. 2 April, 8 Char. I. 1632. This seems to have been purchased with Lady Winchelsea's money. See N^o 33.

158. Bond from John Welby, jun. to warrant the conveyance. 2 April, 8 Char. I. 1632.

London.

159. Affignment from Isabelle and Joan Lytelgram to Hugh Lytelgram of the remainder of a lease for fifty years, from Trinity Convent, London. 20 May, 5 Hen. V. 1417.

Littleborne.

160. Robert Couper, natural son of John Couper, late of Littleborne, to Andrew and Joan Mowre of St. John's Hospital, of one annuity of vi l. xiii s. iv d. and two quarters of wheat from lands in Littleborne for their lives. 4 May, 7 Eliz. 1565.

Reculver.

161. John Goldyng to John Knyght and John Baldewine of two acres, three roods ‡. 23 Sept. 1 Hen. V. 1413.

162. Lease from the hospital to Robert Hunt, of Hothe in Reculver, of two acres, three roods, called Brotherynlond ‡ for ten years, rent 111 s. iv d. 14 Oct. 6 Edw. IV. 1466.

* "Forstal," in the laws of King Canute, (Chron. Bromton. apud X Scriptores, 923, 51.) signifies "prohibitio itineris," and in Chron. Thorn, 2031, 9. "quietus esse de amerciamentis de catallis arestatis infra (Q. intra) terram vestram, &c." At present it seems synonymous to "common," and perhaps may be derived from "foster-noth, pasture grounds, or places where cattle feed." See Somner's Saxon Dictionary. And the above possibly might be styled "Childforstal," from the cold, that common being exposed to the N. and N. E. winds from the sea. D.

† Now let to Mr. Anthony Jennings, at a reserved rent of 2 l. 12 s. per ann.

‡ These together are probably the 111 a. 111 r. now let to Mr. Sennock, tenant at will, for 11. 15 s. per ann. and the 1 a. 1 r. called Brotherhood Close in Hoath, let to Mr. Anthony Jennings at a reserved rent of 8 s. per ann.

Rocheſter.

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163. An indenture of partition between Thomas and Johanna Godet, his wife, and Mary Morel, of Rocheſter, her ſiſter; Joan to have a tenement, &c. by St. Clement's Church, Rocheſter, and Margaret a tenement bought of the Counteſs of Pembroke, and another tenement in Horſlane. 32 Edw. III. 1359.

Sellynge.

164. Indenture of exchange of five acres for five acres between Robert Morris and John Proude. Sept. 23 Ric. II. 1399.

Stourmouth.

165. William dcs Poſtier de Beyrdeſtone to the hoſpital of four buſhels of white ſalt, which Thomas de Stagno uſed to pay him out of a ſaltwork at Stourmouth, called la Hokot. 26 Dec. 7 Edw. I. 1278. See N^o 138.

Stowting. Lyminge. Storton.

166. Letter of attorney from Simon Inkepette to Stephen Andrews to deliver poſſeſſion to Henry Seymour and John Fraunceys of all his lands in thoſe pariſhes. 1 July, 34 Hen. VI. 1455.

Streatham.

167. Leaſe from the Dean and Chapter of Chriſt Church Canterbury, of the Hermitage at Streatham in Surrey for 21 years, rent 111 ſ. 1v d. dated Dec. 7, 1676. Deſcribed in the leaſe under the name of "All that their meſſuage or tenement ſituate and ſtanding in Streatham, in the county of Surrey, upon the common called Streatham Common, and commonly known by the name of The Hermitage, with the appurtenances; and alſo one half acre of the ſaid common lying next the ſaid meſſuage, called The Hermitage, as it is taken in and incloſed for an orchard by and with the conſent of the Dean and Chapter, of the tenants of the ſaid manor of Vauxhall in the ſaid county of Surrey, whereof the ſame is a parcel." (Seal of the Dean and Chapter partly preſerved. See plate IV. fig. 8.)*

Sturresfeld.

168. Leaſe from the hoſpital to John Frymyngham of three roods for XL years, rent xx d. 10 Jan. 14 Edw. IV. 1475.

* The meſſuage, deſcribed as above, is ſtill held in the ſame manner, and for the ſame reſerved rent, and is now let on leaſe by the hoſpital to Mr. John Roſs, at a reſerved rent of 2 l. 3 s.

Thanington.

169. Gilbert and Aliscia de Cokeryng to Thomas Pope of Winchepe of two acres at Ung hylbetel in Cokeryng borgh † for xL s. paid to them by Thomas Pope. 19 Edw. II. 1325.
170. John atte Fryth to Sir Henry de Norton, rector of St. Alphege, Canterbury, of two acres and a half in Tanington. 28 Oct. 42 Edw. III. 1368.
171. Indenture by which Henry de Norton (above mentioned), chaplain, exchanges with Thomas de Alkham de Wenchepe a piece of land in Northfield, Tanyngton, lately bought of John atte Fryth, for one acre in Cokerynsfield. 44 Edw. III. 1370.
172. Thomas Alkham, baker in Wenchepe, to Walter Cours and others, of four acres apud le Sandpette. June, 3 Ric. II. 1379.
173. Another grant of the same. 29 June, 3 Ric. II. 1379.
174. The same to the same of two acres and a half at the Sandpette. Feb. 9 Ric. II. 1385.
175. Thomas de Mersham to Agnes Paniter of Sevenok of two acres at Shaftyn-done. 20 Dec. 15 Edw. III. 1342.
176. William de Beteshamme to John Pyk, two acres. Feb. 19 Edw. III. 1345.
177. Henry Coupere to John de Romene of one acre. 4 March, 7 Edw. III. 1334.
178. John de Romene, citizen of Canterbury, to John Pyk of one acre. 19 Edw. III. 1346.
179. John Couper of Winchep to John Pyk of one acre, three roods. 31 Edw. III. 1357.
180. Release from Margery, late wife of John Couper, of Hamildown, to John Pyk of all claim on one acre, three roods. 40 Edw. III. 1366.
181. Grant from Thomas and Agnes Perot to John Pyk of three yards of land at Citeryng, 12 Mar. 32 Ed. III. 1358. Two seals; an elephant; and a rose of six leaves, with six letters round it, plate III. fig. 6, 7.
182. John Pyk to William Farnham of a messuage and five acres, two roods, of land. 26 Nov. 46 Edw. III. 1372.
183. Thomas de Norton, chaplain, to John Chesman of one acre at Shaftyndoun. 20 March, 47 Edw. III. 1373.
184. John Cheseman to Thomas Broggæue and others, [brethren of the hospital] of four acres at Shaftindoun. 21 Sept. 1 Ric. II. 1377.

† Edward Sankey now holds on lease from the hospital xii acres of land at Cockering, at a rack rent of 4l. 2s. per ann.

185. Release from John Dovor to Thomas Broggaue and others of claim on the said four acres. 21 Sept. 1 Ric. II. 1377.

186. Lease from the hospital to William Arnold of xiii acres in Thanington. 16 Dec. 37 Hen. VIII. 1545. Almost obliterated.

Thanet.

187. John Eadmond, senior, of St. Lawrence, Thanet, to Walter Cours and others, of an annual rent of iii d. sterling, from one acre of land by the Forstall * in said parish. 5 Ric. II. 1381.

188. Laurence atte Nynne to Thomas Brokgrave and others, brethren of the hospital, of a rent of xii d. issuing out of one acre in the manor of Menstre. 30 June, 6 Ric. II. 1382.

189. Grant by indenture from the prior, &c. to Thomas Waldyn of East Clivesend of one acre, one rood, (which was given them by Stephen Elifander) on payment of xii d. perpetual annual rent. 8 Feb. 3 Hen. IV. 1402. With an English translation by Somner.

Monkton.

190. John Helk and John Elkyn, feoffees of John Miles, to Thomas Bergrave and others, of one acre, two roods †, in the tenure of Christ Church, Canterbury. Feb. 1 Ric. II. 1376.

Menstre.

191. Matilda, daughter of John Ho, to the hospital of ii s. annual rent out of a messuage and one rood and a half of land. 1 Edw. I. 1272.

192. Lease from the hospital to John Hamon of three yards of land in Mynster ‡ for xl years. 5 May, 6 Hen. VII. 1492.

Sarre.

193. 1. Richard and Agnes Tayllor to Thomas Baldewyn and others of six acres in St. Giles's. 1 Nov. 2 Hen. IV. 1401.

194. 1. Thomas Baldewyne and others to the hospital of vi a. xx p. divisim in St. Gyles's. 1 Nov. 3 Hen. IV. 1402.

* See note * p. 272.

† 1 a. iiii r. at Monkton are now held by the heirs of Sir John Sabine, at 1 l. per ann.

‡ Whether this be the land now let on lease to the Rev. William Byrch, at a reserved rent of 10 s. per ann. or that called Culverhouse Garden, let to Mary Wotton for 6 s. 8 d. cannot easily be ascertained, as the quantity of both is the same, viz. three roods.

Westbere.

193. 2. Laurence and Joan Menchar to William and Mary Carpenter of a piece of land. Sept. 10 Ric. II. 1386.
194. 2. John Herryng to John Soklyng of three roods. 16 Ric. II. 1393.
195. William Haute and others, feoffees of John Helar, to Richard Michell of two acres. 7 April, 13 Hen. VIII. 1522.
196. Richard Michell, brother of the hospital, to Peter Pemble and others, of the said two acres. 5 Jan. 26 Hen. VIII. 1545.

Wye.

197. Release from Thomas Kempe of Wye to William Smith of claim of a messuage in Wye. 9 Jan. 14 Ric. II. 1391.

Wickhambreux. Mr. Snowe's Benefaction.

Ralph Snowe of Lambeth, Gent. left by will, dated 13 June, 1707, 200 l. to be laid out for the benefit of St. John's Hospital by the Lord Archbishop. Archbishop Tenison bought with 170 l. of this money xiv acres of marsh-land in Wickhambreux, 20 Aug. 1714, and assigned it to Archdeacon Thomas Greene, Dr. G. Thorpe, Dr. Elias Sydal, Prebendaries of Canterbury, Dr. T. Wise, Rector of St. Alphage, William Turner, Esq. William Deedes, M. D. and Paul Lukyn, Gent. of Canterbury, for the benefit of the Hospital, with directions to the four surviving trustees always to chuse three more. Dr. Greene, then Bishop of Ely, Dr. Sydal, then Dean of Canterbury, and Dr. Deedes, 2 Feb. 1730, made a new feoffment, and put in as feoffees, Dr. J. Lynch, afterwards Dean of Canterbury, Mr. Julius Deedes, afterwards Prebendary, William Crayford, Esq. recorder of Canterbury, and Samuel Norris, gent. auditor to the Dean and Chapter. The title-deeds of this estate are as follows:

198. Conveyance from George Austin of Canterbury, to Valentine Austin of Adisham, of xiv acres of fresh marsh-land in Wickhambreux, with the boundaries described. 20 Dec. 1628.
199. Conveyance from Valentine Austin of Upper Hardres to Robert Austin of Adisham. 20 A. 1631.
200. Probate of Robert Austin's will. He gives (inter alia) these lands to his son Michael Austin; made 7 April, 1653; proved 2 Sept. 1653.
201. Deed of gift from Michael, son of Robert Austin, to his brother William of the same. 29 Dec. 1664.

202. Mort-

202. Mortgage of the same from William Austin to Thomas, afterwards Serjeant, Hardres. 9 Dec. 1668. Within it a bond to perform covenants.
203. Assignment of William Austin's mortgage from Serjeant Hardres to George Gilbert Pierce. Aug. 26, 1671. Signed by William Austin, with his bond to perform covenants within it.
204. Copy. Assignment of William Austin and other mortgagees, from George Gilbert Pierce to Serjeant Hardres. 1 Feb. 1671-2.
205. Conveyance of these lands from William Austin to John Enssett of Sturry. 26 Feb. 1680-1. Within it are put, 1. William Austin's Affidavit of his title. 2. Covenant to sell. 3. Bond to perform covenants; and, 4. His receipt for 180 l. the purchase money.
206. Assignment from Serjeant Thomas Hardres of the mortgage N^o 203. to Alexander Enssett. 11 Aug. 1681. It is endorsed on N^o 203.
207. Assignment from Alexander Enssett to John Enssett of the same mortgage. 11 Aug. 1681.
208. Probate of John Enssett's will, giving (inter alia) his lands in Wickhambreux (and elsewhere) to his son William and his heirs; on failure, to his brother Alexander and his heirs for ever. 26 May, 1695. Proved 8 June, 1695.
209. Mortgage from Alexander Enssett to Ed. Gibbs for £1. 24 Jan. 1704.
210. Release from Alexander Enssett to the Lord Archbishop [Tenison] of those lands. 20 Aug. 1714. Within it is the lease for a year. 19 Aug. 1714.
211. Assignment of Ed. Gibbs's mortgage to Dr. Sydall, in trust to attend the inheritance. 20 Aug. 1714.
212. Assignment from Dr. Sydall to Mr. Sawkins, to attend the inheritance. 10 Sept. 1714.
213. Release and conveyance from the Lord Archbishop to Dr. Greene and others, in trust for the hospital. 8 Oct. 1714; and lease for a year. 7 Oct. 1714.
214. Release and conveyance from Dr. Greene, Bishop of Ely, to Dr. Lynch and others. 2 Feb. 1730.
215. Release and conveyance from William Lynch, Esq. (now Sir William, K. B.) eldest son and heir at law of Dr. Lynch, to Dr. Head and others, in trust. 17 July, 1767. (Copied into the hospital account-book.)

C H A P. VI.

MAPS, TERRIERS, RENTALS, BOOKS.

M A P S.

212. **T**HE platform of a parcel of land lying before the gates of the Moate House, neere Canterburie in Kent, called the Brotherhoode Lande. It is on parchment, two feet square, coloured, and contains the land (as it seems) given by Thomas de Garwyntone, see N^o 23, &c. Wyke, and shews the boundaries of the parishes of St. Martin and St. Paul. It seems to have been drawn in the time of Henry the Eighth.

213. A sketch on paper of part of the same lands by William Boycote, who mapped the Moate estate about 1620.

Rollyng.

214. Map of a tenement and 21 pieces of land at Rolinge in the parish of Goodneston, containing LXXX a. 11 r. XXIII p. at XVI ft. VI in. to the rod, or LXXXIII a. XXIII p. by the short rod of XVI ft. (See N^o 116, &c.) By William Boycote, 1617*.

It is on parchment, XX inches by XI.

Chifflet.

215. Rushley Wood, contayne viii a. iii r. xxx p†. By William Boycote, 1639. It is on parchment, XIII inches and a half by V inches.

Herne.

216. The description of xv pieces of land in the occupation of John Nottingham, contayning LVI a. 1 p‡. whereof Th. Smith claym *The rest is torn off.* On the same parchment is the description of three pieces of land called Mayes, in the occupation of G. Hellet, contayning xxxi a. 11 r. xiv p. whereof, in the field, having this mark §, Sir James Oxenden claymeth two acres; the bothers of Herbaldown claym three acres; the residue (being) xxvi a. 11 r. xiv p. (belong) only to the hospitale§. Sans date. It is on parchment, XXII inches by XIV and three quarters. See N^o 154.

* Now let on lease to Sir Narborough D'Aeth, bart.

† Now let on lease to Mr. Anthony Jennings at a reserved rent of 1 l. 12 s. per annum.

‡ Now eleven pieces, containing 50 acres, let to Mrs. Jane Tucker for 14 l. per ann. two-thirds to this hospital, and one third to Herbaldown, and known by the name of Hensford.

§ Now xxviii a. 11 r. belonging solely to this hospital, and let on lease to John Hubbard for a reserved rent of 6 l. 11 s. per ann.

217. A map of nine pieces of arable land demised to Mrs. Mildred Knowler, widow, by the two hospitals, containyng LIII a. 1 p. by Henry Maxted and Edward Randall, 1729. It is on parchment xxvii inches by xviii. It is of the land in the occupation of Nottingham in the former map. N^o 216.

T E R R I E R S.

Rollyng.

218. A terrier of Tabeder's land, belonging to the brothers of St. John and Herboldown, made July the 20th, 1674. It is a parchment roll, containing xxviii articles; the sum total is LXXXVIII a. xix p. [It is now let to Sir Narborough D'aeth.]
219. A true and perfect terrier of several pieces and parcels of land lying in Roling in the parish of Goodnestone in the county of Kent; belonging to St. John's Hospital, and St. Nicholas Herboldowne, containing LXXX a. ii r. xxiii p. It is a parchment roll, and has xxi articles. No date. Between 1674 and 1706.
220. Another terrier, exactly the same as N^o 219, excepting the alterations of occupiers names. Made the 24th day of July, 1706.

R E N T A L S.

221. An old prior's rental beginning, "Iſm, three tenements in Ivy Lane.
222. The janitor's accounts of repairs from Michaelmas 1462 to Michaelmas 1463, in Latin.
223. Another. Sans date.

B O O K S.

224. The Chapel Register, containing five baptisms, from 1635 to 1698-9; xiii marriages, from 1638 to 1676; and cix burials, from 1635 to 1689. On ten folio pages.
225. Register of admissions, from March 26, 1559, to May 12, 1658.
226. The prior's accounts of the pittance-money; beginning 1521, ending 1549; and the prior's admonitions.
227. The prior's accounts from Michaelmas 1510 to 1563.
228. The prior's accounts from 1605 to Sept. 14, 1647. Mr. Somner's petition is at the end in his own hand writing. (See it in Chap. IX. p. 281.)
229. The prior's accounts from 1701 to Michaelmas, 1727.

C H A P. VII.

AN ACCOUNT OF MRS. LOVEJOY'S, MRS. MASTERS'S, AND MR. BROWN'S LEGACIES.

MRS. LOVEJOY.

ELIZABETH Lovejoy, widow, by her will, proved about April 1695, gave to the mayor and commonalty of the city of Canterbury the lease of the parsonage of Callis Grange in St. Peter's Thanet, holden from the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral, Canterbury, charged with the payment (inter alia) of one annuity of ten pounds to St. John's Hospital.

MRS. MASTERS.

Mrs. Mary Masters, formerly of the city of Canterbury (spinster), by her last will, dated 11 Jan. 1711, appointed Sir Harcourt Masters her executor; and by a codicil gave five pounds a year to each of the poor hospitals in Canterbury.

By an act of parliament 7 Geo. I. Sir Harcourt Masters's estate was forfeited to make good the losses of the South Sea Company, of which he was a director; and all who had claims on his estate were directed to claim before Dec. 5, 1721.

Sept. 14, 1721, the six hospitals in Canterbury and its suburbs, by a letter of attorney, empowered Richard May, Gent. to claim for them, which he did Sept. 21, 1721, which claim was allowed; and the said yearly sum of five pounds to each hospital were valued by Mr. Borrett, a master in Chancery, at dclx l. But Sir Harcourt Masters's estate being not sufficient to answer all the claims thereon, was found able to pay but vi s. vi d. in the pound.

May 13, 1735, The hospitals petitioned to have their dividend of the dclx l. which was granted.

July 4, 1735, They impowered the said Richard May to receive it.

July 22, 1735, He accordingly received for the said hospitals ccxiv l. x s. out of which was deducted a bill due to him for charges and trouble, xxxi l. viii d. and there remained in his hands $\text{clxxxiii l. ix s. iv d.}$

October 23, 1736, The hospitals, by a letter of attorney, empowered Dr. Lynch, Dean of Canterbury, and John Knowler, Esq. recorder of Canterbury, to receive the said $\text{clxxxiii l. ix s. iv d.}$ and to place it in the public funds, which they did Jan. , 1736, and with it purchased $\text{clxiii l. xvi s. iii d.}$ capital stock in old South Sea annuities, for the use of the said hospitals.

At Michaelmas, 1737, the annihilation on $\text{vi l. xvi s. viii d.}$ was paid to the trustees, and at Michaelmas 1740 they repurchased the same sum. So that the capital is still $\text{clxxxiii l. ix s. iv d.}$ old South Sea annuities.

Mr.

Mr. Knowler, the surviving trustee, transferred the trust to the mayor and aldermen of the city of Canterbury; and the chamberlain regularly pays the dividends to the hospitals. They are Eastbridge, St. John's, Maynard's, Jesus, Cogan's, and Smith's.

M R. B R O W N.

Matthew Brown, by his will, dated 12 Dec. 1717, and proved 26 Aug. 1721, gave to the hospitals of Eastbridge, Maynard, St. John, and St. Nicholas; to the charity school in Canterbury, and to the parish of Westgate for two poor people, to each of them respectively ten shillings, to be paid to them on the 10th of March yearly for ever, issuing out of two houses in the borough of Staplegate, at that time in the occupations of Paul Whitehurst and Matthew Derby, with power to enter and distrain: xvi s. is to be paid to Westgate yearly.

But these houses not being sufficient for the payment of these sums, they are untenanted *.

* This is not the case at present, the stipends above mentioned having been regularly paid for some years past to each of those charities. D.

C H A P. VIII.

THE PRESENT STATE OF THIS HOSPITAL, 1765.

[THIS chapter is omitted, as the state of the Hospital in the present year (1784) has been already given in p. 197.]

[Here ends the MS. of Dr. BEAUVOIR.]

C H A P. IX.

The Case of the Hospitalls of Herboldowne and Northgate neer Canterbury, concerning their Annual Pension of 80 l. apiece from the Archbishop of Canterbury, stated.

[Drawn up by Mr. Somner (see p. 279.). The notes in the margin are the Author's.]

I. **T**HAT the said hospitalls were respectively founded more then 500 yeares ago, by Archbishop Lanfrank, in the Conqueror's dayes (1), and that their said founder endowed [them] with maintenance for poore, aged, and diseased
 † 60 in each house, people of both sexes †, is clear by the testimony of Eadmerus, a
 120 in both. monke of the cathedral at Canterbury of the very same time (1), in the history which he wrote of his owne times, called "Historia Novorum," pag. 9. where, relating their foundation, he sayes of the one (Northgate), "Ordinavit etiam eis de suo vestitum & victum quotidianum;" that is, "he allotted to
 "them, out of what was properly his owne, dayly food and rayment:" of the

(1) Viz. about 1084.

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other

other (Herbaldowne), "His pro qualitate sui morbi omnia quibus egerent de suo ministrari constituit;" that is, "to these, according to the quality of their disease (which was the leprosy), he assigned, of his owne, what might supply them with

* Of late yeares "all necessaries." Thus Eadmerus*; who gives no further account of their endowment, what it was, either in grosse, or in particular.

II. But within, or neer upon, 100 yeares after, to wit, in Hen. II's, or Rich. I's time, a successor of Lanfrank, one Richard (1), taking into consideration and commiseration the great indigence of the said hospitalls, for want of competent endowment, for remedy thereof, by his deed or charter, yet extant (2), under his archiepiscopal seale (after recitall therein made of the said hospitalls endowment with 140 l. sterling per ann. by his predecessor Lanfrank their founder, payable out of his manours of Reculver and Boughton in Kent), grants them an augmentation of 20 l. per ann. payable out of the parsonage of Reculver.

III. From and after which time of augmentation the said hospitalls, for about 100 yeares together, constantly received the said 160 l. accordingly, namely, untill the time of Archbishop Kilwardby (3) in Edward I's dayes, who, in lieu thereof, granted unto them the whole parsonage of Reculver; which grant his next successor Archbishop Peckham (4) (in regard of sundry inconveniences by experience founde to follow thereupon), taking along with him the consent of the Pope, the Prior and Convent of Christ Church, and the respective governors of each hospitall, revoked, charging the see with the payment of the wonted maintenance, as by his charter, also extant (5), will further appeare.

IV. And thus it continued untill Archbishop Stratford's time (6), who, in Edw. III's dayes, finding the hospitalls defective of security by writing for their said pension of 160 l. per ann. and being minded to succour them with better security for time to come, obtained an appropriation of the said parsonage of Reculver to him and his successors, annexing it "mensæ archiepiscopali," or "to the archbishop's table;" from and out of the fruits of which parsonage so appropriated the said hospitalls pension should afterwards arise; but the said Archbishop dying ere the perfecting the security intended, his successor, Simon Islip (7), by his charter (8), charged himselfe and his successors, and in the vacancy the collectors of the profits of Reculver parsonage, with the said pension, during the continuance of the said appropriation; which if at any time ceasing, the pension to be afterwards raised out of the Archbishop's temporalities; as by his said charter (8), and the charter under the broad seal of Edw. III. in confirmation of the forementioned appropriation, yet extant (9), will further appeare.

V. And accordingly (for ought appears by any recorde in either of the said hospitalls, or elsewhere, now extant, to their knowledge), the matter stood with

(1) Archbishop Richard was archbishop from 1174 to 1184.

(2) See it in the History of Reculver, p. 129.

(3) 1272—1278.

(4) 1278—1294.

(5) See it in the Hist. of Reculver, p. 131.

(6) 1333—1348.

(7) 1349—1366. Islip was not Stratford's immediate successor. Bradwardin and Ufford intervened.

(8) See it in the History of Reculver, p. 148.

(9) Ibid. p. 141.

the said hospitalls in point of maintenance untill the time of the dissolution of religious houses by Hen. VIII. and Edw. VI. At that time the said hospitalls were both kept up undissolved, and their said maintenance, according to their charitable foundation, continued, as by the survey taken of either, and recorded in the Court of Augmentations (1), whereof they have copies ready to produce, appears: wherein (amongst other things) expresse mention is made of a pension of 80 l. per ann. due and payable unto each of them by the Archbishop of Canterbury, which indeed they have ever since constantly received from the Archbishop's receiver generall, or his assigne authorised from time to time to pay the same out of the rents due to the Archbishop from St. Gregorie's neer Canterbury, the demesnes of Chistlet manor, and the parsonage of Reculver, quarterly, as the said rents come in.

VI. Truth is, the said survey intimateth the one (that of Northgate) to be payable out of the Archbishop's coffers, the other, from the manors of Reculver and Boughton, and the parsonage of Reculver. But this difference in their pay at that time how it came to passe, or by what meanes afterwards the said rents of St. Gregorie's, Chistlet, and Reculver, became charged with it in speciall, they are altogether ignorant. For, being poore, simple people, they alwayes thankfully received it, without regard or question from whence it rose; being never driven, for lacke of payment, either to contest for it, or to shew any evidence to justify their claime thereunto; ever peaceably enjoying it without any interruption. Howbeit, by what is prealleged, they conceive their claime and title to the said pension to be so fully and sufficiently cleared and asserted, and the archbishopricke so apparently liable unto it, as they shall not neede to doubt of a confirmation and settlement thereof, by authority of parliament, upon them and their successors to all perpetuity, according to the laudable intention of their pious founder, and for encouragement of others in like acts of charity.

The severall particulars in this case are truly and faithfully alleaged.

WILLM SOMNER, Notary Publicke.

This case was drawne and presented, with a copy thereof, to the surveyors of the Bishops, &c. lands in the year 1646 (2), to the end they might take notice of the hospitalls right and claime to that pension of 160 l. per ann. out of the Archbishop's revenews, and might certify the same to the trustees, whereby some timely provision might be made for the constant payment thereof in time to come, by reserving so much of the yearly renew from sale, or otherwise.

(1) In the Prior's Disbursements for 1647 is this article,

"Item, laid out for the survey which wee had out of the Augmentation Courte, xxiiii s. vi d.

(2) And in those for 1646, are the following:

"Spent when wee went to Wingham to present a petition to the deputie leiuetenants, 11 s. 1111 d.

Item, paid for hors hire when wee went to the lords, v s.

Item, paid for a petition to send to London, 11 s.

Item, paid for writtinge of a petition to present to the lords, 11 s.

Item, paid to George for his journey to London, v s.

Item, paid for two other petitions which were sent to London, vs. 111 d."

With severall other charges of journeys to London, and elsewhere, "about getting off their fesses."

C H A P. X.

The MOAT LANDS, or WYKE; Suit concerning them.

THE state of the controversy relating to the Moat Lands, or Wyke (briefly mentioned, p. 260.) will appear from the following petition, which was presented to Archbishop Whitgift soon after 1583.

“To the most Reverend Father in God and our dreade patron, the Lorde Archbishoppe of Canterbury his Grace, Primat and Metropolitan of all Englande, and one of his Majestie’s most honourable Pryvie Counsell.

IN most humble and lamentable wise shewethe and enformeth your grace your poore bounden orators and dalie beadmen, the brothers and sisters of your grace’s hospitall of St. John the Baptiste nere Canterburye; that whereas your saide orators and there predecessors ever since the foundation of the saide hospitall were seased in there demeasne, as of fee, as in the righte of the saide hospitall, of cer-ten lands called the Moat Lands, containing xxxii acres lyinge at the Moat nere Canterburye, worthe per ann. xvi l. nowe in the occupation of Sir Moyle Fynche, knighte *, for whiche lande your saide orators have bin yerelie answered for the farme thereof xiiii s. iiii d. by Sir Thomas Fynche, Sir William Fynche deceased, and diverse, whose estate they had, without deniall, untill about xxi yeres past the gardaines [guardians] of the saide Sir Moyle Fynche, in his minoritie, felled the tymber trees growinge uppon the saide lande, which your saide poore orators perceyvinge, caryed awaye parte thereof; whereuppon your suppliants exhibited a supplication unto the Lorde Archbishoppe Parker’s grace, who, by assent of the saide Sir Moyle Fynche, referred the judgements of the righte thereof unto Sir Roger Man-wood, knighte, now L. Chiefe Baron, who, upon the sighte of our evidence, willed Sir Moyle Fynche to satisfie the arrerages of the rent, but made no finall end, for that the saide L. Archebischoppe died *, since whose deathe the saide Sir

* Sir Moyle Finch was afterwards a baronet, being advanced to that title 9 Jam. I. but he did not long enjoy that and his ample fortune, as he died in December, 1614, while this suit was litigating. Eastwell house and manor, &c. was derived from his mother, daughter and coheir of Sir Thomas Moyle; the Moat from his father Sir Thomas Finch, as descended from Philip Belknap.

† In 1575.

Moyle Fynche hathe denyed and yet dothe denie to paie the same, unles your faide orators will receave the same as a drie rent out of the faide lande, whereby the fee symple thereof shoulde be in him and not in your faide orators, who have verie ancient evidence to prove the same. Since which your faide orators exhibited one other supplication to the late L. Archbifshoppe Grindall his grace touching the premisses, who, by assent of Sir Moyle Fynche, appointed Mr. Redman now archdeacon of Canterbury, and Mr. John Boys, esquire, to here and determine the cause, who, perceyveinge a manifeste righte in your faide orators, required him to paye the rent and the rerage, and he shoulde have suche lease for terme of yeares as they coulde make, but he refused to paye it but as drie rent, and ymedietely the faide Archbifshoppe died †. Forasmuche, therefore, as the arrerage of the faide rent of the lande dothe amount unto xiiii*l.* or thereabout, and yerely increaseth, to the greate impoverishinge of your faide poore orators, beinge parte of theire stipend, and prejudice of there inheritaunce; if it shoulde thus longe continue litigious; and forasmuche as your faide poore orators have no other to appeale unto, but only to your grace's ayde and defence in there just quarrell, beinge of themselves aged, impotent, and poore, unable any waie to releve themselves, muche lesse to mayntaine sutes with suche a person; most humblie beseeche your grace of your accustomed clemencye to have some commisseracion uppon your faide poore orators, to take there cause into your grace's protection, to order and decide the same accordinge to your orators' righte, as best shall seme to your grace's most approved wisdom. Or ells, that, with your grace's assent, to whome we humble submitt ourselves, your faide poore orators maye take suche course by lawe for tryall of the title thereof as to your grace shall seme expedient. And your faide poore orators shall accordinge to our bounden dutie praye unto God for your grace longe to contynewe in most happie estate."

By the petition inserted p. 290, they seem in 1596 to have had a verdict in their favour. It came to a trial, however, again in 1615, of which the progress and event will best appear by the following extracts from the Prior's books, which are also curious as they give the particulars of law-charges 170 years ago.

"Here begineth the charges of the sewt between Sir Moyll Fynche, Knight, and his hayres, and our Houspetall of St. Johne's; fyrst Markes Hytoll, pryor, in the yeare of our Lord God 1614, and continuing in Renell Bourn's tyme, being pryor in the yeare 1615, and ending in Jesper Wreeke's tyme, being pryor in the same yeare 1615, being the xviiiith of September, with these charges that foloweth, all for our land at the Mott [Moate] before the gatt.

* 1583.

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“ In Markes Hyffol’s tyme.

Iſm, payd for a horſſe hyre for on of our brethren to Eyſtwell,	II ſ. VI d.
———— to Maſter Groves our atorny,	IV ſ. II d.
———— for the ſeeking out of the prambulatyon of St. Paulle’s,	VI d.
———— for a copy of the juryes names,	IV d.
———— unto Strydicke * going to Loundon to my Lorde’s Grace with a petityon,	XVII ſ.
———— unto Maſter Denn [counſellor] for his fee,	X ſ.
———— for the making of the petityon,	IX d.

 XXXV ſ. III d.

“ In Renold Bourne’s tyme.

———— for a ſupyne [ſubpœna] to fetch in III witneſſes,	II ſ.
———— for the farving of them upon three of them, VI d. apiece,	XVIII d.
———— unto Kellſo for him and his horſe to Lydd unto Maſter Henden the counſelar’s,	VI ſ.
———— for a quart of wyne [wine] opun the layyours [lawyers] at their metyng at Maſter Dennes,	XII d.
———— for two ſupynes [ſubpœnas] for ſix witneſſes,	VI ſ. VI d.
———— for Thomas Taylore and the brothers that kept him com- pany the xviiiith daye of September for their dynors,	III ſ. VIII d.
———— for his ſupper the ſame daye at nyght,	II ſ. II d.
———— unto Maſter Henden the counſeler,	XX ſ.
and for a quart of ſacke,	XII d.
———— unto Maſter Pebett the counſeler the xix of Sept. for his fee,	X ſ.
———— for our drinking for the company when they came from the court, being in number tenn of our brethren,	XXII d.
———— the xix daye of September at nyght for Thomas Taylor’s ſupper and the reſt of our brethren at the requeſt of him,	IIII ſ.
———— unto Thomas Taylor the xx daye of September in recom- pence of his gorny [journey] commyng and going home agayne [to Lambeth],	XVI ſ.
———— unto Maſter Dennes man for making out the learſees [leaſes] and the letter of atorny,	VIII ſ. II d.
———— unto Maſter Leder our atorny his fee in the ſeut at Loun- don agaynſt Sir Moyll Fynche, knyght,	III ſ. III d.
———— at the takinge of the newe poſeſion the tenth of October to a man for a witneſs at the ſam tyme	VI d.
———— for the executyon that was ſarvid upon Strydicke * touch- ing the nonſuting of our ſeut,	XXXIX ſ. VII d.

* See p. 288, laſt note.

“ Here

" Here begineth a newe feutte for our land nere the Motte.

Iſm, payd unto Andrew Banke for his paynes at the taking of the newe poſſeſion,	vi d.
— unto Banke and Bourne on another daye to pout off the catell from the groune,	ii ſ.
— for the areſting of the tenant,	xvi d.
— the attorney's fee,	ii ſ. vi d.
— for the letter ſending to Lambeth to Thomas Taylor,	vi d.
— for the mappe of the groune,	ii ſ. vi d.
— for mending of it, to Maſter Ryder,	iiii d.
— for bread and drinke for our brothers for twiſs going to Herbouldowne and their comyng hyther,	viii d.
— for the making of too petityons, the fyrſt not too our maſter's licking, wherefore we were dreven too make another to ſend unto my Lordes Grace,	xvi d.
— for the making a new petityon the iii daye of Aprell,	xii d.
— for removing of Carpenter to St. Nycoleſſe,	iii ſ.
— unto Martaye for his going to Loundon for the Coredes [Corrodies] for the removing of the brothers,	vi ſ.
— unto Maſter Leder for ſerching out of the Court Bookes at Loundon,	iii ſ. vii d.
— unto Maſter Ryder for the making of a petityon to deliver unto my Lordes Grace,	vi d.
— unto Maſter Smyth, my Lordes Graces ſecrotory, for a letter to ſend unto Maſter Scot, and to Richard Smyth, and to the other exeōtors*, and to his mane [man],	vii ſ.
— unto Maſter Groves for warring [warning] of the jury,	viii ſ.
— unto Maſter Leader for the ſearching out of other Court Rowlles at Loundon and bring' home of them,	ii ſ. vi d.
— for the taking out of nottes out of a regiſter book, and for paper,	iiii d.
— ſpent about buſines of our feute,	vi d.
— for ſending a letter unto Thomas Taylor,	xii d.
— unto John Groves for making of a letter,	xii d.
— for the carring of a letter unto Maſter Henden[counſellor],	ii ſ. vi d.
— unto Maſter Hendry Halle,	xx ſ.
— for another letter ſending unto Thomas Taylor the xi of September,	xii d.
— unto Maſter Denn the counſeler for his fee,	x ſ.
— unto Maſter Pettet for his fee,	x ſ.
— unto Maſter Leder for his fee,	v ſ.
— unto the ſargant † for his fee,	ii ſ.
— ſpent in ſeeking out of witneſſes,	ii d.

* Of Sir Moyle Finch, no doubt.

† The town ſerjeant, probably, as the trial was in the Guildhall of Canterbury.

" In

" In Jesper Wreeke's tyme being pryor. *Here begins the account of the charges of the priory of St. Martin's, Kent, from the year 1615 to 1621.*"

Iſm, payd for too ſubpines [ſubpœnas] to fetch ſartayn witneſſes for
our ſeute, that is to ſaye, Adam Bourcke [and ſeven more], 1111 ſ.
— for their charges, 1111 ſ.
— ſpent upon Maſter Halle at his comyng, for his welcom, in
wine and cakes, — xviii d.
— payd unto Maſter Hennden for his fee, — xx ſ.
— unto Thomas Tayllor for his comyng doune, — xx ſ.
— his charges at Thomas Bourne's, 111 ſ. x d.
— unto Andrew Rouke for his going to the Motte [Moat] to
know of my ladyes * going awaye, 1111 d.
— at the tryall daye for beere for the gentellmen, vi d.

" Here endeth the charges of our houſpetall in the ſeut agaynſt Sir Moyll Fynch, knyght, in his liſſ tyme, and his lady * after his deſceſſes, for too yeares ſeut, being in thre pryeres tyme, as is to ſaye, Markes Hyffold, pryor, Renold Bourne, Jesper Wreeke, pryor, ended the xviii of September, 1615, with this ſom as ſoloeth, to our ouſpetall's loſſe and henderance.

" The holl ſom of this laſt charges of ſeut, xv l. xi ſ. vi d. †."

This ſuit, however, did not end here; for in a ſubſequent account are the following articles:

1618. " Iſm, payd for making of a petition, xii d. and for another petion to delyver unto my Lordes Grace the vi of Auguſt, againſt our Lady Fynche conſerning our land at the Mott in her wrong delyng to the Houſpetall, xviii d. 11 ſ. vi d.

And on September 20, 1620 (17 Jam. I.), the prior (George Stredwicke ‡), brothers, and ſiſters, gave a leaſe (ſtill extant) for 21 years of the 32 acres in queſtion (deſcribing them as " lyeing and beeing at or neere a place called the " Mote, and in the piſhes of St. Marten and St. Paule neere the cittie of Canter- " bury, or elſewhere, nowe or late in the occupacon of Sir Moyle Finche, knight,

* Elizabeth ſole daughter and heir to Sir Thomas Heneage, knight, advanced by James I. in 1623 to the dignity of Viſcounteſſe Maidſtone, and by Charles I. in 1628 to that of Counteſſe of Wincheſea. From her fourth ſon by Sir Moyle Finch are deſcended the preſent Earls of Wincheſea and Aylesford.

† I make this total rather leſſ. Be that as it may, ſmall as it may now ſeem, it was a large ſum in thoſe days for the hoſpital to pay, added to the loſs of their ſuit and land. It is obſervable that theſe paupers, as they might juſtly be deemed, did not ſue, however, *in formâ pauperis*, as in particular 20 s. to each of their counſel, and 5 s. to their ſolicitor, may be deemed equivalent to the fees that would be paid on the like occaſion at preſent—though I hope that in ſuch a caſe counſel might be found to plead without a fee.

‡ This prior gave no account either of his receipts or his payments. And in 1621 is this article, " Payd unto Mr. Courtet for writing of ſartayn artickelles againſt Strydwicke, Apprill 2,

viii d."

" and

“and baronet, or of his tenants, farmers, or officers”), to Edward Norris for the annual rent of xiii s. and iv d. the same to be void on their paying or tendering to him or his assigns, &c. the sum of vi d. And accordingly, on September 27, John Claringbell, by virtue of a letter of attorney from the prior, brothers, &c. entered on the premises, and delivered them to the said Edward Norris, who on Aug. 7, 1623, on the receipt of vi d. (covenanted as above) surrendered up his rent and interest in them to the prior*, &c.

This was followed by another trial that year, as appears by these entries:

1623. “Iīm, spent when we measured our land at the Moat,	11 d.
— spent when we gave instructions to the jury at the court-hall in Canterbury,	11 d.
— paid to William Boycott† for measuring of our land at the Moat, and plotting of yt oute,	11 s. vi d.
— spent when we went to informe the jury concerning the Moat land,	11 d.
— when we went to the court-hall to give our attendance upon the said jury,	ix d.
— paid for waxe to seale the letter of attorney and the lease for the Moat,	11 d.
— to the two witnessses for their travell to the Moat to see the lease sealed,	xii d.
— to Richard Marble for his travelle to the Moat to take the said lease,	vi d.
— spent when we went to the Moat aboute the said busines,	iiii d.
— paid for making a petition to Mr. Sericant Henden, and for writing of a cōpy of the record out of the Court of Augmentōn to send to our Lords Grace,	vi d.
— to Mr. Denn’s clerke for making the letter of attorney and the lease for the entry uppon our land at the Moat,	v s.
— for a sugar loafe weieng ix lb. at xi d. the pound ‡, which was given to Mr. Denn for his counsell,	viii s. iiii d.
— to our brother Norton for his expenses and his leyinge out in a jorney to London to the Court of Augmentācōn about the house busines,	xx s.

* This appears by an endorfement, and also by the following entry: “Paid to Edward Norris for to redeem a lease which he “had of our lands at a place called the Moat, in the parishes “of St. Martin’s and St. Paule’s, vi d.”

† See an account of this map, p. 278.

‡ This shews the comparative dearness of sugar in those times, and would be thought an uncommon fee to counsel in these days.

In 1627 also some other expences occur, of "going to Foorde to my Lord's Grace," and "to the Lady Fynche aboute our businesse," &c.

For in this year her ladyship having offered to pay them XL l. for arrears, with xx l. more towards their costs, &c. the hospital presented the following petition to Archbishop Abbot :

To the most Reverend Father in God, our Right Honourable good Patron, the Lord Archbishop of Canterburie his Grace, Primate of all England, and Metropolitan.

The humble Petition of your Grace's Almshouses and Almshouses, the Brothers and Sisters of your Grace's Hospitall of St. John neere Canterburie.

SHEWETH, That whereas in a tryall concerning a suite for certayne lands, betweene your graces petitioners and Sir Moyle Finch, knight, the veredict of xii sufficient jurors passed on the behalfe of your petitioners the seaventeenth day of July, in the 38th yeare of the raigne of Queene Elizabeth *. And where your graces petitioners being frustrated, by sinister meanes, of the possession of the sayd lands, then adjudged them by the said veredict, were constrained to commence a new suite, which received a tryall in Canterburie † at your grace's being there, at which tyme the sayd suite passed against your petitioners: neverthelesse, so it is, if it may please your grace, that, since the sayd tryall, the Lady Finch ‡ hath offered unto your petitioners, in lieu of their arrerages of thirteene shillings and four pence per annum, by them heretofore received, to give them fourty pounds, and twenty poundes towards their coste and charges disburfed, together with a graunt and confirmation of the said annuall rent of thirteene shillings and four pence to the said hospitall for ever, so as your grace's petitioners will release the land formerly questioned, to the said Lady Finch, and to her heires for ever, under their common seale; which to doe your petitioners utterlie refuse, unlesse it may stand with your good pleasure and liking to give approbation thereunto. Your grace's petitioners therefore doe most humbly beseech your grace to signifie your pleasure, whether you will vouchafe to stand their gracious patron, in case they sue for the said lands againe, or that they shall accept of the said motions and offers of the said Lady Finch, and doe as shee requireth, as above. And your grace's petitioners shall (as in dutie they are bounden), continue their daylie prayers for the right honorable prosperitie of your grace in this life, and for your eternall happines in the life to come.

* In 1596. See p. 285.

† Probably in 1615, as it appears, p. 293, that the archbishop was that year at Ford.

‡ She was then Viscountess Maidstone, being so created in 1623. See p. 288, note †.

To this the Archbishop returned an answer, with his consent and decree, as is here expressed:

THAT the brothers of St. John's Hospitall doe accept of my Lady Finch * hir offer, in such manner as hath bin represented unto mee by their petition, that is to say, of fortie pounds, in leiu of their arrerages of thirteene shillings and foure pence per annum, by them heeretofore receyved. And twenty pounds towards their costs and charges disbursed in theyre suite. Together with a grant and confirmation of the saide annuall rent of thirteene shillings and foure pence to the saide hospitall for ever, so that the brothers and sisters of the saide hospitall doe release the lands formerlie questioned to the Lady Finch * and to hir heyres for ever, under their common seale. And I doe further decree, that these sommes of monny thus receyved shall not pass into a dividend among the brothers and sisters now in being; but that, for the good of them and their posteritie, it be employed in some purchase. By meanes whereof they shall not only have their former rent of xiii s. iv d. per annum; but an addition and increase alsoe of three pounds by the yeare accordinge to twentie yeares purchase.

So that these conditions bee performed by the advise of learned counsell, that there may be no further question heereafter, I give my consent that all thinges should be effected as heere is specified. October 3, 1627.

G. CANT.

Yet after this, it seems, there was another trial at the Guildhall of Canterbury, as it appears to have been after the Countess was so created, which was in 1628. And then, in 1631, the prior, &c. presented to her ladyship the following petition:

To the Right Honorable the Countesse of Winchelsey, widdowe, late wiefe, of Sir Moyle Finch, Knight and Baronett, deceased.

The humble Petition of the Pryor, Brothers, and Sisters †, of the Hospitall of St. John the Baptist neare and without the Wallles of the Citie of Canterburie.


WHERAS wee have heeretofore brought several suits against your honour's said husband in his liewe tyme, and one suite in your honour's widdowhood, for certeyne lands, parcell of your manor or lands called the Moate, neare Canterburie, which suits wee were induced to commence and prosecute by some entries in our bookes, and by some other evidences. Nevertheles, upon the late long tryall of that sute brought in your widdowhood, after seaven or eight houres spent in deliverie of the evidence on both sides the verdict was on your honour's parte. And it then appeared, and our councill at lawe and wee rest satisfied, that wee have onlie right to a rent of thirteene shillings, and fower pence per annum, issu

* That the archbishop should not give this lady her proper title of "Maidstone" is a little surprising. See p. 290, note †.


† No "sisters," however, have signed it.


inge out of Moate lands, and noe tittle at all to any the said lands, which rent hath not been payed since Michaellmas one thousand five hundred sixtie and fower, which was in the seaventh yeare of the raigne of the late Queene Elizabeth. We, therefore, by the advice of our counsell, and by the good liking and approbation of the most reverend father in God, the lord's grace of Canterburie, our most honorable patron, humblie beseech your honour, that the said arrerages may be paid unto us, and the said rent of thirteene shillings and fower pence may for ever, from henceforth, be yeerlie payed unto us and our successors out of the said lands. And wee shall be reddie to doe any acte that your honour shall require for the releasinge and renouncinge all pretence of clayme or tittle to any of the said lands, other then the said annuall rent of thirteene shillings and fower pence. And wee shall daylie praye for your longe lief with increase of honour and all happines.

The marke of


John Carr  prior.


James Coppen.

The marke of  Adrian Mighell.

The marke of  Adam White.

The marke of  William Rooke.


The marke of  William Rude.


The marke of  John Berte.

William from Fryps.

Joh. Halte.

Joh. Flaetun.

The marke of  Henrye Pribles.

The marke of  Reynold Shipleye.

William Barles.

Joh. Blowfeild.

Joh. Harward.

To which the Countess returned the following answer :

THE prosecution of this cawseles and uniuert suite I doe willingly passe by, and shall willingly from henceforth pay the thirteene shillings and fower pence rent annually to the brothers and their successors, the non payment of which hath bene occasioned by their pretence of tittle to the land. But the * most of them incurred before the tyme of theis petitioners, of which it is no reason they have the benefitt; but, upon conferring with my lord's grace, I am willing the money behind be layed owt in buying landes or rent in perpetuity to the petitioners and their successors; and at my lord's grace his request, I am also content to geve twenty poundes more to the petitioners, so as with the said twenty poundes and forty poundes of the arrerage some fitt landes of the yearely valew of three poundes be purchafed for the brotherhood to continew for ever to the hospitall, and the residew of the arreres may goe to the petitioners towards their charge.

Secundo die Februarii, anno
regni Caroli septimo, 1631.

E. WINCHELSEY.

* Worn and illegible in the MS.

With

With this sum the four acres and a half on Herne Common, or Childforstall, and probably some land at Hoath, were purchased, now let (together) to Mr. Anthony Jennings for 11*l*. xviii*š*. per ann. and thus the matter ended. The first mention of "an annuity from the Countess of Winchelsea of xiiii*š*. and iv*đ*. out of "certaine lands at the Moate, due at Michaelmas, which is yearly paid than to the "pittance," is in 1632.

In 1643 they delivered a note to Mr. Maior and Sir William Man "for to receive their money due out of the Mott lands." But it has been regularly paid ever since.

C H A P. XI.

FARTHER EXTRACTS from the PRIOR'S and REPARATIONER'S ACCOUNT BOOKS.

"1615. Payd unto the payntors for [archbishop] Lanfranc's armes, 111*š*. 17*đ*.
Item, payd unto Wickel for the Denne's* armes, planing of the
boud, and making the verse, viii*đ*.

— unto Master Drury for his paines in helping us to Lan-
franc's armes, xii*đ*.

— unto Andrew Rouke [clerk] for ringeng twis at the going
of my lorde's grace † to Fourd, vi*đ*.

The succession of masters in this century was Dr. Martin Fotherby (bishop of Sarum, 1618), Dr. Clarke, Dr. Jackson ‡, and Mr. Somner (the antiquary), 1660, but when the others succeeded I cannot ascertain. It appears that in the last century the hospital had two feasts, one at Christmas, and the other at Midsummer, towards the former of which was paid in 1638,

Expençe of it, 11*l*. v*š*. vi*đ*.

Towards the latter, 111*l*. x*š*. x*đ*.

Expençe of it, 11*l*. ix*š*. vi*đ*.

The latter bill, to shew the price of provisions at that time, shall be added.

"Payd to the woman that helped in the kitchen, vi*đ*.

— to the two turnspets, viii*đ*.

— for beere at diner, 1111*đ*.

— for beere to make the serving men drinke that brought
meat to our feast, 11*đ*.

* Dean's, then Dr. Charles Fotherby.

† Archbishop Abbot.

‡ Thomas Jackson, D. D. prebendary of Canterbury, 1614, and rector of Ivychurch in Romney Marsh. He died in 1646, in which year is this article, "Spent upon the ringers when Dr. Jackson was buried, 1*s*. 1*d*." though he does not appear to have been buried in the hospital church.

" Payd for 80 pound * of beefe at v s. the score,	1 l.
— for a calfe,	XVIII s.
— for two lambs,	XVIII s.
— to the cooke for driffing of diner,	IIII s. †
— for beere for the kitchen,	IIII d.
— for putter wee borrowed,	VI d.
— for a gallon of sacke,	IIII s. IV d.
— for a pottle of claritt ‡ and a pottle of white wine §,	II s. VIII d.
— for a bushell and a pecke of meale,	V s.
— for halfe a barrel of beere,	IIII s. II d.
— for three couple of chicken,	II s. VI d.
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	IIII l. VI s. X d.

They had also at that time three communions in the year, viz. at Easter, Lammas, and Christmas, besides one occasionally "for those of St. Gregories;" at each of which the usual expence of "three quarts of muscadell" was "III s. VI d. bread II d." That there were also sermons occasionally, appears from the following entries:

1642. "Payed for a pinte of sacke when Dr. Peake** did preach, March 12, VII d. Item, for a pinte of muscadell and a biscett, when our master did preach, VIII d.††

1647. "Spent upon Mr. Lovell when he gave us a sermon, a s. IV d." which by a subsequent account ("when Mr. Dellmay preacht"), seems to have been "for a quart of sacke and biscetes." But when Mr. Lovell gave them a sermon again, the expence "in cakes and beere" was only X d. At present their communion-table and their pulpit are never used.

* This in 1642 was increased "to 177 pounds, III l. I s. IV d."

† This expence the year before was only II s. and in 1634 only XII d.

‡ That all red wine was at that time called "claret" is pretty certain, and that the "sack" was not canary, but rhenish, is as evident, if it were the same wine with which Falstaff thought it no sin to mix sugar. Even when they agreed with a carpenter to repair their church steeple in 1640, their beverage was "a pint of sacke, VIII d." Thus these hospitallers were more expensive than their successors, who are contented with one feast in a year, and with beer only at that; and even this the increased price of provisions, and the decreased value of money, the feast-rents still continuing the same, would render "more honoured in the breach than the observance."

§ This in 1642 was increased to "three quarts of sacke, a gallon of claret, and a gallon of white wine, VIII s. II d."

|| And this to a "barrel of beer, IX s."

** Humphry Peak, D. D. prebendary of Canterbury, 1632.

†† This on the same occasion in 1643 was "a quart of sacke, I s. IV d."

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In 1609 is this entry: "Payd unto Master Edwards for wryting out of our Laten rentoll into Eynleth [English], 11 s. viii d."

"In the yeare of our Lord God 1611 the Porter's Logge [Lodge] was newe built in the month of September and October by the pryer and his fouer assistants, not only by the charges of the Hospetall, but only the greter part by the Right Worshepfulles and other well disposed peopell.

"The names of the gyvers:

Sir Peter Manod *, knight.
Sir John Boyffe †, knight.
Sir William Lovles ‡, knight.
Sir Thomas Hartlef, knight.
Docter Fotherbe §.

Docter Newman:
Master William Man, Counsellor.
Master Edward Gardner, Esquyre.
With many other gentellmen more."

In 1631 Sir Peter Hayman gave x s. "towards the repayringe of the greater windowe in the churche," and in the same year his daughter and afterwards others of his family were buried there.

In 1636 is a disbursement "for wine, when our church-yard was consecrated, xx d."

In 1637 is another "for pitch and terr to burne in the church, and about the house, vii d." and in 1641 "for frankensence about our church and hall, 1 d." This, I suppose, must have been from an apprehension of the plague ||. In 1643 they seem frequently to have attended "the committee," to get off their sesses, for the writtinge of a releasment for their lands laid out," &c. In 1646, is this article, "Spent when wee runge for ioy of the king's cominge to London, 1 s. 11 d."

In the sixteenth century are several entries in a book for that purpose of purgations before the prior and his assistants, punishments by the stocks, and expulsions for fornication and other crimes, according to the statutes; but scarce any of these occur since. The Register-book of the last century has several baptisms and marriages, as well as burials, both of the hospital and the liberty of St. Gregory's, &c. Among the burials is that of "Mr. Ralph Groves, towne-clarke of Canterbury, Dec. 23, 1635." And June 15, 1648, is the following entry, "That fatal yeare was the best of kings taken from off the earth, and by cruel hands suffered martirdome, being falsly accused, declared, and judged."

* Manwood, of St. Stephen's, keeper of Ford Park, &c.

† Boys, recorder of Canterbury and founder of Jesus Hospital.

‡ Lovelace, of Biddenden.

§ Martin Fotherby, master of the hospital, prebendary, 1596, bishop of Salisbury, 1618.

|| "This year" (1636), says Echard, "proved calamitous by the plague, which broke out at London in the beginning of it, and reigned in some measure the whole summer and autumn."

The following letter was from Henry Grey, seventh Earl of Kent, who died without issue in 1615.

To my very loving frends the Prior of the Hospitall of St. John's in Canterbury, and his Colleagues there. Thees.

AFTER my very hearty comendacons. Whereas one John Kite*, a poor old man, who by the guyft of doctör Mathew Parker, late Archbishop of Canterbury, to whom he was fervant, had graunted and confirmed unto him out of your howse for tearme of his lyfe an annuity or pension of foure nobles per ann. which for a long tyme has been neglected and not received, is now dead: I have therefore thought good in his behaulf, having lyved in my service for more then xxx yeares past, to certify that he departed this world the xxiiiith of this instant month of September at my howse in Beddfordshire, to the ende that such order may be taken with those arrerages of his sayd annuity or pension which upon account shall appeare due, as may best stand with charity and good conscience, and the entent of the sayd guiver and guifte, which alsoe I could not but commend to your good and Christian considerations. And soe, not doubting of that good care to be had therein which is meete in that behaulfe, I bid you hartily farewell, resting your very loving frend,

Wrest, 27 Sept. 1610.

H. KENT.

I doubt not, but in your Registry Booke it will appeare how long since John Kite was admitted into that society, and that from the tyme of his admittance for how many yeares his pension hath been answered, and to whose hands, and thereupon what was remayninge in your custodye as due unto him unto the tyme of his deathe, which ys to be satysfied accordingly.

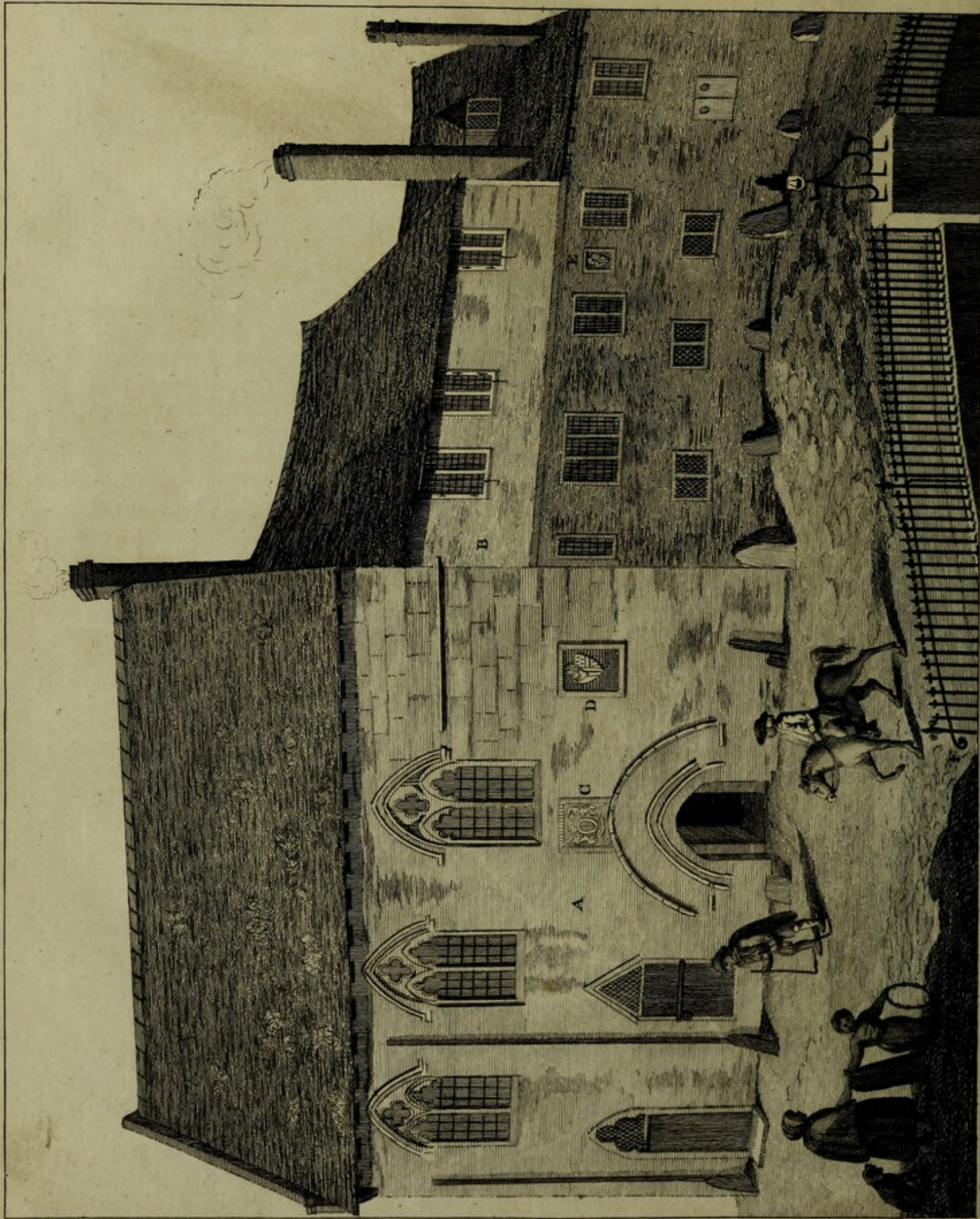
* It appears by the appointment of his successor that this John Kyte was an out-brother. In the prior's account-book is the following entry, made probably as soon as Kite's death was known:

"1610. Delyvered unto the brotheres and sisters the xiiii daye of Desember of John Kytte's mony the som of xiiii l. xii s." which to 34 persons, whose names are added, was 8 s. each. "Remaynyng to the Reperatyon the som of vi l. xii s. vi d." But annexed is the following order of the then master:

"Whereas there hath been taken out of the coffer 13 l. 12 s. and divided amongst the brothers and sisters above named, being part of the wages of one John Kyte, which had bene reserved in the coffer untill it arose unto the summe of twenty fower pounds: forasmuch as the brothers aforesayd had noe right unto the sayd mony; therefore it is by me ordered, August 25, 1612, that so many of the brothers and sisters as be yet living shall pay back their eight shillings a piece which they had received, by two shillings a quarter. And that the rest of the mony (which they have taken out upon pretence of reparations and jorneyes to London) shall be made up, untill it come to twenty fower pounds, out of the yerely rent of a howse in Ruttenton lane, now in the occupation of William Baker, renting yerely 3 l. 6 s. 8 d. And that this mony shall be putt into a box with three locks, wherof one key shall remaine with myselfe, and a note truly kept what mony is quarterly putt into the box, untill the whole summe be againe supplied. MARTIN FOTHERBY."

This probably might be owing to the powerful interference abovementioned. At 1 l. 4 s. per ann. the arrears must have been accruing twenty years, viz. from 1590. Archbishop Parker died in 1575. And Kyte had been in Lord Kent's service from 1580.

E A S T



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A View of East Bridge Hospital, Canterbury, taken from Kings Mill.
 A. The Chapel. B. The School Master's House.
 C. Kings Arms. D. Part of the late Arch Bishop's

The ANCIENT and MODERN STATE of the HOSPITAL of
EASTBRIDGE, in the City of CANTERBURY.

Collected chiefly from the Records and other Writings now
remaining in the Chest of the said Hospital, &c.

By NICHOLAS BATTELY¹, M. A.

THE DESIGN OF THESE COLLECTIONS.

IN the hospital of Eastbridge, there was a leiger-book, containing an account of the whole state of the said hospital, in which were written at length all the several grants, donations of lands and benefactions, anciently given to the said hospital, &c.

This book Mr. Somner used, and frequently mentions it, in his Treatise of the Antiquities of Canterbury, by the name of *Liber Hospit. de Eastbridge*.

But this book is now lost, and thereby many things belonging to the said hospital may be also lost.

¹ Vicar of Beaksbourn, 1685, editor of Somner's *Antiquities of Canterbury*, 4to, 1703, and brother to the Rev. John Battely, D. D. Master of this Hospital, arch-deacon and prebendary of Canterbury, and author of *Antiquitates Rutapinæ*. Mr. Battely died in 1704.

The loss of this book makes me suspect, that several records and other writings belonging to the hospital may be also wanting, especially because the masters of the hospital have from time to time taken the liberty to keep in their private libraries such writings concerning the hospital, as they chose; and it is a question whether their executors have been as careful to restore all those writings to the succeeding master, as they were to preserve and keep them safe: Also such writings as the several masters did not care to preserve in their own custody, are kept in a publick chest belonging to the hospital, and standing in the chapel there. The key of this chest hath been usually kept by the reader or school-master; and of his care or faithfulness there was not such security as there ought to have been.

By this means it is more than probable, that several records and writings are at this day missing: for I cannot now find some leaves, which I saw in the chest within less than six years last past.

Hereupon I was first inclined to make these collections, to preserve such writings as are still extant from being lost for ever.

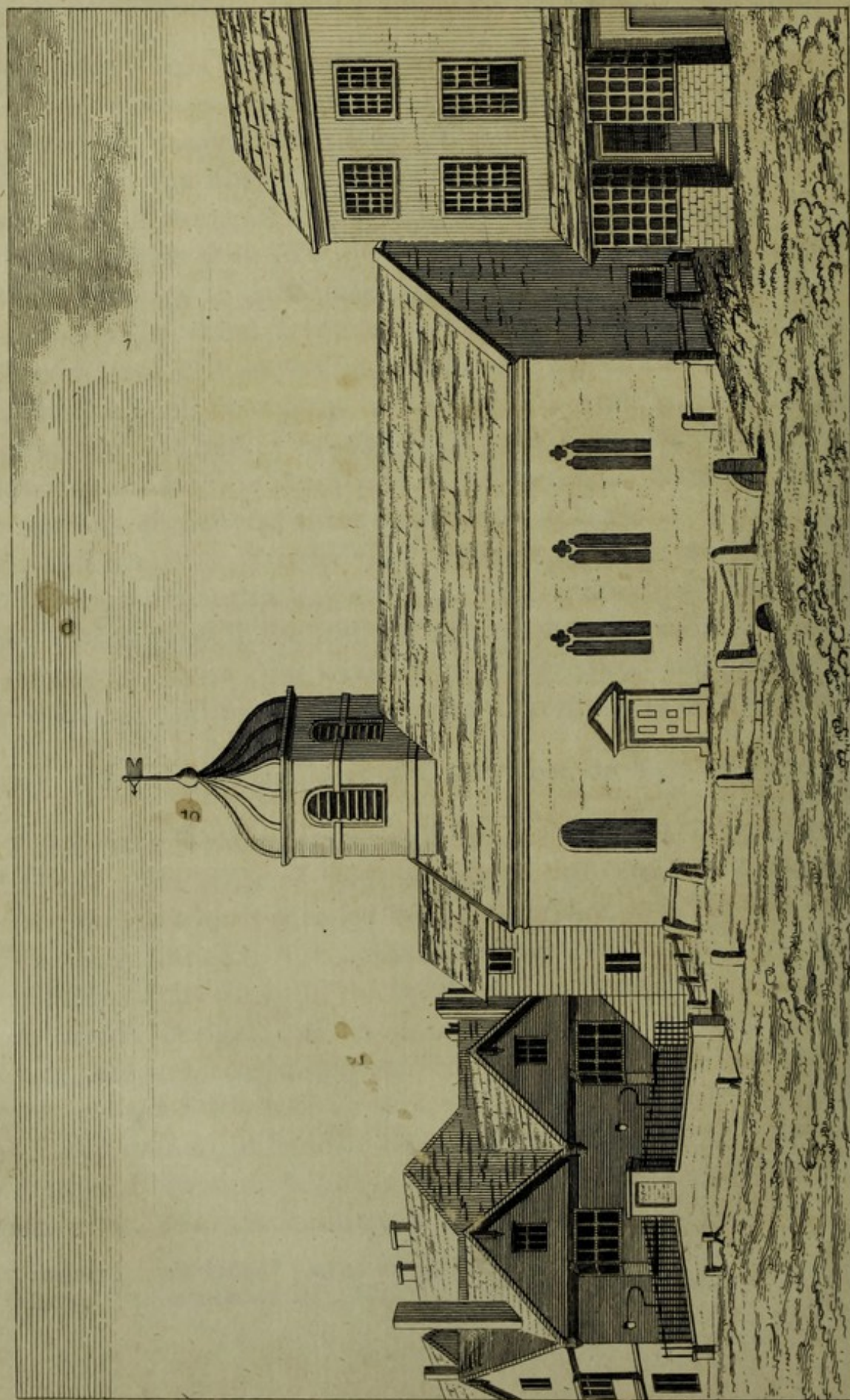
THE SITUATION, NAME, AND FOUNDATION, OF THE HOSPITAL.

THE river Stour runs through the city of Canterbury in two branches¹; the lesser of these branches runs just by Westgate, and the bridge over it is called Westgate-bridge.

The larger branch runs eastward of the former, and more in the middle of the city, and the bridge over it is called East-bridge; upon which bridge, and on each side of it², is situated the ancient hospital, commonly called *The Hospital of Eastbridge*; which was the first name by which this hospital was called: for so I find it named, in some of the most ancient writings, *Hospitale de ponte de Eastbridge*, before ever it was honoured with the addition of St. Thomas the Martyr.

¹ Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 37, 38.

² Rather "at each end of it." On the north side is the mill. D.



South View of Kings-bridge and Mill, and of the Church of All saints at Canterbury, according to the late improvements taken (from the Parlour window of the Kings head inn) March 11, 1780.

The bridge is sometimes called *King's Bridge* ¹, and the mill, which stands by it, *King's Mill*, because it was some time *The King's*: In particular, Thorn relates a remarkable story concerning it ², That king Stephen being in great straight at Lincoln, where he was surprized and taken prisoner by Robert earl of Gloucester, and put to a great fine for his ransom, towards his relief in that necessity, borrowed of Hugh, the second of that name, Abbot of St. Augustine, one hundred marks, and in consideration thereof, by his charter, gave to the monastery this mill. Concerning this, see more in Mr. Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 43. It was called *Molendinum de Eastbridge*, aliter *King's-mill* ³. From hence the hospital hath been commonly called *King's bridge Hospital*.

It was also called the *Hospital of St. Thomas the Martyr*; the reason of which name will sufficiently appear from the following collections.

It stands in that division of the city, which is called *The Ward of Westgate*.

By whom, and in what year this hospital was founded, is altogether unknown.

Archbishop Lanfranc (who founded the hospitals of St. John the Baptist without Northgate ⁴, and St. Nicholas Herboldown without Westgate ⁵, and the Priory of St. Gregory, in Canterbury,

¹ Somner, p. 42.

² Thorn, in vitis Abbatum Sancti Augustini.

³ A view of this mill and bridge, taken by the Rev. Mr. Pridden in 1780, is here annexed. See plate VII. The following inscription is copied from a stone now on this bridge:

"For the greater safety and convenience of passengers, this bridge was widened x feet, in the year MDCCLXIX, Joseph Royle, Esq; being mayor.

The expence was supplied by voluntary contributions from the city and its neighbourhood. Fifty-five miles, six furlongs, from London-Bridge."

⁴ The late capt. Stephen Riou was the architect. Eadmer. Hist. Nov. l. I. p. 9.

⁵ See the Histories of those Hospitals.

and endowed the same bountifully out of his own revenues) is by some supposed to have been the founder and endower of this hospital also ¹. This archbishop Lanfranc is famous for his great buildings and works of piety; which are at large recorded by Eadmer, in *Histor. Novor.* l. I. and in the book called, *Dies obituales Archiepiscoporum Cant.* But the hospitals which he built, are said to be *extra civitatem* ²; of which those two above-named, the hospitals of St. John the Baptist and of St. Nicholas Herbaldown, continue to this day monuments of his excellent piety and charity; but that he built the hospital of East-bridge, I never could find mentioned by any writer. Lanfranc died 1089. The forenamed *Dies obituales Archiepisc. Cantuariensium* says of him, "*Memoratur, quod multas et honestissimas domos præparavit* ³;" which is the most, that I can find, why he should be supposed the founder of this hospital, and this at best is but a weak conjecture.

The next four archbishops, Anselm, Ralph, William, and Theobald, have not left us any grounds to suppose that any of them erected this building. To these succeeded Thomas Becket, by whose name this hospital was called; but whether because it was built by him, or whether because it was dedicated to him after his martyrdom (which was A. D. 1170), is still a great question; for it is not improbable, that this hospital was built before his time, and afterwards dedicated to him: if it was not built by Lanfranc, yet it was certainly built before or at least about the time of Thomas Becket; for some time after his death, we have records, still extant, of grants made to this hospital, as will appear afterwards.

¹ Somner's *Antiquities of Canterbury*, p. 82, 83.

² *Anglia Sacra*, vol. I. p. 55.

³ *Ibid.*

Mr. Somner is of opinion, that it was “ first erected and endowed by the charity and piety of St. Thomas Becket, in the time of Henry II. and that from thence it was called *The Hospital of St. Thomas, the Martyr, of Eastbridge.*”

His opinion is grounded on the ordination of archbishop Stratford (dated A. D. 1342), which was 172 years after the martyrdom, and 121 years after the translation, of St. Thomas, in which ordination are these words :

Hospit' de Estbreg per beatum et gloriosum martyrem Thomam olim Cant' archiepiscopum, predecessorem nostrum, fundatum antiquitus et dotatum, &c. — idem hospitale per beatum martyrem antedictum, pro pauperum peregrinorum Cantuar' confluentium receptione nocturnâ, et sustentatione aliquali ab olim, et pro jam incumbentibus eidem oneribus dotatum exiliter, &c.

And this is certainly the best evidence we can find for the foundation of the hospital, it being given by an archbishop within 172 years after Becket's death : and it seems, the other records, either of the foundation or of the institution thereof, could not be found in his days. Hereupon,

This return was made by the commissioners to queen Elizabeth, of her writ touching this hospital¹ :

“ Imprimis. Quod reverendissimus pater et dominus dominus Thomas Becket Hospitale de Estbrig in civitate Cant' instituit et fundavit pro receptione pauperum peregrinantium et Cantuariæ confluentium, &c. ”²

But when he founded, or how he endowed, this hospital, we know not. Neither do I find any writer of his life who makes mention of his founding this or any hospital. His troubles and banishment seem to give him no time to erect such a building.

Archbishop Whitgift doubted, whether Thomas Becket founded the hospital³ ; for when the lawyers (whom he employed to that

¹ Somner, p. 111.

² A paper in the hospital chest.

³ A writing in the hospital chest.

purpose) had drawn up the beginning of the act of parliament for the better foundation of this hospital (in the time of queen Elizabeth), and had put these words into the beginning of the bill, *The Hospital of Eastbridge, alias the Hospital of St. Thomas the Martyr, founded, as yt ys reported in ancient writings, by Thomas Becket, sometime Archbishop of Canterbury, &c.* he altered this passage with his own hand, and inserted these words, *The Hospital of Eastbridge, founded and endowed, as it is alledged, by certain Archbishops of Canterbury, &c.*

But probably this alteration was not so much because he doubted whether Thomas Becket founded the hospital, or no; but rather to erase the name, and to eclipse the memory, of one who at that time was held in too much honour and veneration, and even adored and worshiped by the people.

I have seen the register of Arundel cited, That the hospital of Eastbridge was founded by archbishop Becket ¹, &c.

OF THE ENDOWMENT OF THE HOSPITAL, &c.

Mr. Somner, Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 120, declares, that “he will not speak much of the endowment of the hospital.”

The first endowment, to which I can fix any date ², was bestowed in king John's time, by archbishop Hubert, who died, A. D. 1205. He gave it the tithes of Westgate-mill, of a mill and two salt-pits at Herewick (which Mr. Somner supposeth to be in or near Whitstable), of a windmill in Reculver, and of another windmill in Westhalimot, in Thanet.

¹ Reg. Arundel, Part II. fol. 16.

² A. D. 1193.

The words of his grant are these :

“ Hubertus, Dei gratiâ, Cant’ Archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ primas, omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit, æternam in Domino salutem. Ad omnium notitiam volumus pervenire nos, divinæ pietatis intuitu, et consideratione necessitatis et egestatis quâ dilecti filii nostri fratres hospital’ Sancti Thomæ de Estbruge noscuntur laborare, concessisse et dedisse eidem hospitali in subsidium sustentationis fratrum ipsius decimam molendini, de Westgate in Cant’ et decimam molendini et duarum salinarum de Herewick. et decimam molendini ad ventum in Raculfre, et decimam molendini ad ventum in Westhallimot in Tenet; quas decimas nuper consueverunt ecclesiis dari. Quare volumus et precipimus ut idem hospitale Sancti Thomæ easdem decimas integre habeat, precipiat, et possideat. Quod ut ratum in perpetuum permaneat et inconcussum, hac presentis scripti serie et sigilli nostri appositione duximus confirmandum. Hiis testibus, magistro Ric’ Cancell’ nostro, Rann’ Thesaurar’ Sarum, Galfrido de Bocklande, Magistro Symone de Sywell, Magistro Willielmo de Calne Decano de Codenham, Magistro Willielmo de Summercote, Magistro Reifero, Magistro Fulcherio, et multis aliis.”

Copia vera, ex ipso originali, per me Nic’ Battely.

This grant was confirmed also by the then prior and chapter of Christ-Church, in these words :

“ Universis Sanctæ Matris ecclesiæ filiis ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit, J. Prior * humilisque conventus ecclesiæ Christi Cantuar’ salutem in Domino æternam. Noverit universitas vestra nos chartam venerabilis patris Huberti, Dei gratiâ, Cant’ archiepiscopi, totius Angliæ primatis, inspexisse sub hac forma, “Hubertus Dei gratia,” &c. [ut supra] Nos igitur dictam concessionem et donationem, sicut justè et rationabiliter facta est, quantum in nobis est, salvo jure cujuslibet, confirmamus. In hujus rei testimonium presens scriptum fecimus fieri, et sigilli nostri appositione signari. Valete.

* This “J. Prior” must be John de Chetham, who was prior in archbishop Hubert’s time. And hence Mr. Somner must be mistaken, who gives a true account of the death of archbishop Hubert; viz. in July, 1205; but, in his relation of the priors, makes John the prior to succeed Galfridus, A. D. 1206; for this confirmation of John, the prior, and convent of Canterbury was before the death of Hubert, otherwise it would have called him *nuper Archiep’*. See this at large contested in the history of the priors of Canterbury, in *Anglia Sacra*, vol. I. p. 140. et 797.

I have transcribed this charter of Hubert, and the confirmation of it by John, prior, and the chapter of Christ-Church, partly to correct the mistake above-named in the year when John succeeded Galfridus, and partly to prove, that this grant and the confirmation of it was made, A. D. 1205, a little before the death of Hubert; but chiefly to take notice, that all the benefactions conveyed to the hospital by this first benefactor are at this day alienated; and hence I will further search, what is become of these gifts, when they were alienated, and whether it be possible to recover them again.

COKYN'S HOSPITAL ANNEXED TO THE HOSPITAL OF EASTBRIDGE,
IN THE TIME OF ARCHBISHOP HUBERT.

N E A R to the hospital of Eastbridge was another hospital, built and founded by one William Cokyn, a citizen of Canterbury, and from him called Cokyn's Hospital¹. This hospital was dedicated to St. Nicholas and to St. Catherine the Virgin and martyr; and stood in the parish of St. Peter's, almost directly opposite to the Black-Fryers gate; having had a lane by it aforetime called Cokyn's-lane, but now shut up and built upon. This lane is often mentioned in the writings of the hospital of Eastbridge.

William Cokyn, for 18 marks *de gersumá*, or for the consideration of 18 marks, purchased of Stephen the priest, and Godesman, the sons of Richard Mercer, of Canterbury, with the consent of their widow-mother Cicely, a messuage next adjacent to his own; thus in the deed or charter described:

"Totum illud messuagium, cum óibz pertinentiis suis, quod habet in latitudine versus cheminium domini regis 42 pedes, et in longitudine quantum extendit a cheminio domini regis usque ad aquam que dicitur Sture. Quod vero messuagium adjacet proximo messuagio lapideo predicti Willielmi et messuagio Walteri mercatoris in parochiâ Sancti Petri."

This messuage was either converted into an hospital, or else he built an hospital upon the ground where it stood.

This done, Godesman, one of the sons of Richard the merchant, claiming an interest in the soil where this hospital stood, was bought out of it for the consideration of 7s. And he made a charter to archbishop Hubert, acknowledged in a full burghmote of the city, of release of all his right to it. The words are these:

¹ Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 116, 117.

This must be distinguished from a house in the same street, situated also on the south side, devised in 1657 by Mr. Cogan, its owner, to the use of six clergymens widows, which, from the similarity of its name and situation, has been confounded with the other, even by Mr. Gosling, in his intelligent "Walk," but corrected by another able hand (Dr. Beauvoir) in the Addenda to the second edition. D.

"De

"De terrâ in quâ hospitale fundatum est, quod Willielmus Cokyn fecit, quæ jacet inter terram quæ fuit Willielmi Cokyn et terram Thomæ Mercatoris, sc. a magna via regali usque ad Sturam ¹."

The prior of St. Gregory also had some interest here; for Robert the prior of St. Gregory, and his convent, did by their charter confirm

"Donationem quam Willielmus Cokyn fecit fratribus hospitalium Sancti Nicholai, et Sanctæ Katharinæ, et Sancti Thomæ Martyris de Eastbridge, de illo messuagio quod est in parochiâ Sancti Petri proximè adjacen' hosp' Sancti Nicholai et Sanctæ Katharinæ versus West, quod est in tenura nostrâ," &c.

on consideration of paying yearly 18d. to the said priory of St. Gregory ².

This hospital was united to the hospital of Eastbridge in the time of archbishop Hubert, and probably by his consent: And this union was confirmed by a bull of pope Innocent III. which bears date "16to kalend' Februar', pontificat' anno 6to," which was in the year 1203.

The words of the bull are these :

"Innocentius ³ Ep̄s, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis rectori et fratribus hospitalis Sancti Thomæ Cantuariens' salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Cum a nobis petitur quod justum est et honestum, tam vigor æquitatis quam ordo exigit rationis, ut id per sollicitudinem officii nostri ad debitum perducatur effectum: Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus grato concurrentes assensu, hospitale ipsum in quo divino estis obsequio mancipati, cum iis quas impræsentiarum rationabiliter possidetis, aut in futurum, Deo propitio, justis modis poteritis adipisci, sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus. Specialiter autem hospitale Sancti Nicolai et Sanctæ Catharinæ, possessiones et terras pertinentes ad ipsum, sicut eas justè et pacificè possidetis, vobis et per vos eidem hospitali autoritate ap̄lica confirmamus et presentis scripti patrocinio communimus. Nullo ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostræ protectionis et confirmationis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire: si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei, et beatorum Petri et Pauli, apostolorum ejus, incursum se sciat. Dat' Anagninæ ⁴, xvi kal' Februarii, pontificatus nostri anno sexto."

¹ The Hospital writings.

² The charter is still extant.

³ This pontiff was only 37, and a deacon, when he became pope, on Jan. 8 or 9, 1198. He held the general council of Lateran, at which he presided, 1215, and died at Perugia in 1216. He wrote several works, enumerated by Moreri and others.

⁴ A city in the *Campagna* of Rome, of which this pope was a native, formerly the capital of the Hernici, whose country was very fruitful; whence *divus Anagnia*, Virg. *Æn.* VII. 684.

Afterwards William Cokyn, by his charter (wherein he mentions the union of these hospitals) entitles the said hospitals to all his lands, possessions, and chattels, and makes them his heirs.

The words of the said charter are these :

“ Universis Christi fidelibus, ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit: Willielmus Cokin, civis Cantuariensis, salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra me pro salute animæ meæ, et pro animab' parentum meorum et benefactorum et omnium fidelium, Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum et membra ejus, videlicet, pauperes et infirmos fratres hospitalium Sancti Nicholai et Sanctæ Katherinæ, et Sancti Thomæ martyris de Estbrigge in Cantuaria, quæ simul sunt unita, et a felicis recordationis papa Innocentio confirmata, omnium terrarum et possessionum ac catallorum meorum, salvo omnibus dominis, de quibus terram teneo, redditu et servitio suo, meos constituisse in perpetuum hæredes et assignasse. Ut ergo hæc constitutio et assignatio rata sit et stabilis in perpetuum, illam in presens scriptum redactam sigilli mei munimine corroboravi. Hiis testibus, magistro Joanne Pœnitentiaro, magistro Willielmo de Leicestre, magistro Waltero officiale domini Cantuar', magistro Thoma de Fracham, magistro Willielmo de Herbaldune, Hugone de Craule, Willielmo Wilard, Arnolde Ferre, Joanne filio Roberti, Joanne Turte, Henrico Le Jay, Eudone filio Eudonis, Philippo filio Terriçi, Roberto de Stureya, Joanne filio Lefwini, Roberto Colle, Joseph' Clerico, et multis alijs.”

Copia vera ex ipso originali per me Nic' Battely.

Eastbridge Hospital being thus united to Cokin's Hospital, not long after it became possessor and owner thereof: And (as we may suppose) it was not long before Cokin's hospital ceased to be used as an hospital, and the mansion-house thereof was let and rented out; for,

A. D. 1238, Peter, the then rector, or keeper, of Eastbridge Hospital, and the brothers of the same, granted and demised to one William Samuel a parcel thereof, viz.

“ Totum tenementum cum ædificiis supra positis, tam ligneis quam lapideis, et omnibus pertinentiis suis, quod jacet in parochia Sancti Petri Cant' inter domum Osmundi Polre quæ est ex parte orientali, et venellam quæ appellatur Cockynes-lane, quæ est ex parte occidentali, et regiam stratam quæ est ex parte Aquilonari, et Sturam quæ est ex parte Australi.”

The lane called Cockin's-lane was then open, and not built upon; and in the same charter it was covenanted, that the same lane should remain free and open; for these words follow in the same deed :

“ Præ-

“Præterea ita convenit inter partes predictæ, quod nec predictus Petrus, nec fratres, nec successores eorum, nec predictus Willielmus, nec hæredes sui, nec sui assignati, poterint predictam venellam obstruere, quin utraque pars possit uti commodè via predictæ venellæ eundo et redeundo.”

There is an ancient deed or charter still in being, by which,

“Vivianus Mercer, primus filius Ordnothi tinctuarii, dedit 24 placatas terræ apud Hackington Willielmo Cockyn fundatori hospitalis Sanctæ Catharinæ virginis et martyris, et fratribus ejusdem hospitalis,” &c.

This deed or charter was made in archbishop Hubert's time at least, before the two hospitals were united; and the writing shews itself to be of great antiquity. One of the witnesses to it was, “magister Radulphus de ponte Eastbregge,” who was one of the first masters of the hospital.

Robertus de Cockering dedit 3 acras terræ et modicum amplius apud Cockering, &c.

This, by the writing and witnesses, was about the same time with the former.

Nicholaus filius Baldwini dedit Willielmo Cockin procuratori hosp' Sancti Nicolai confess' et Sanctæ Katharinæ virg', et fratribus et sororibus ejusd' hosp', 5 acras terræ et dimidium in Cockering.

Witness among others is “Mag' Radulp. procur' hospit' de “Eastbrigge.” This was before the two hospitals were united.

Nicolaus filius Baldwini Flandrensis dedit 9 acras terræ in Cockering.

About the same time.

Willielmus parvus filius Henrici dedit Willielmo Cockin 62 acras terræ in parochia de Hackintune, &c.

About the same time.

Robertus de Cockering dedit 13 acras terræ in Cockering.

About the same time.

Henricus de Swoleford dedit 5 acras et unam rodam, &c. in Cockering.

Stephanus Harengod miles dedit 3 acras terræ in Cockering. Dat' A. D. 1243, mense Aug. Test. Henrico de Minstre, tunc Seneschallo curie archiepiscopalis Cantuar', sede archiepiscopali tunc vacante¹; Willielmo de Burnes clerico, &c.

¹ See Anglia Sacra, vol. I.

This vacancy of the archiepiscopal see was after the death of Edmund, and before the consecration of Boniface.

Henricus et Aluredus, filii Roberti de Cockering, confirmaverunt donacionem 13 acrarum terræ quas pater dederat.

A. D. 1252. Hamo filius Joannis de Cokering, et Matildis filia Richardi Aldermanni de Cockering, dimiserunt et quietum clamaverunt redditum sex denariorum, &c. anno r. R. Hen. filii Joannis regis 36to.

A. D. 1269. Matild. filia et heres Richardi Aldermanni demisit totam terram predicti patris, &c. anno r. R. Hen. filii Joannis 53^o.

A. D. 1258. Henricus filius Roberti de Cockering remisit 5s. redditus ex 13 acris terræ quas pater demisit hospitali, anno r. R. H. filii Joannis 42.

A. D. 1237. Hamo filius Joannis de Cockering, et Matildis et Agnes filiæ et hæredes Ricardi Aldermanni de Cockering, dederunt 5 acras et dimidiam terræ in Worth, &c. Anno r. R. H. filii Joannis 21^o.

A. D. 1242. Hamo filius Joannis de Cockering, Matildis filia Ricardi Aldermanni de Cockering, Matildis et Alicia filiæ Agneris filiæ dicti Ricardi, dimiserunt 9 denar. et obolum, partem redditus de 5 acris et dimid. terræ prius deditæ hospitali. Sexto kal' Maii.

Amisius Capellanus filius Roberti de Malasse, intuitu Dei et beatæ Mariæ et gloriosi martyris Thomæ, dedit 2s. et 6d. lib. redditibus, quos rector et fratres hospitalis solvere solebant, et quos accepit jure hereditario de Roberto filio Hamonis de Cockering, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, &c.

A. D. 1268. Matildis filia Walteri remisit unum denarium de forisgabulo pro parte unius acræ terræ in Cockering, &c. Anno r. R. H. filii Joannis 52.

A. D. 1270. Walterus de Kenefilde warrantizat 13 acras terræ apud Cockering, &c.

A. D. 1272. Edmundus filius Roberti de Cambio Cant' confirmavit hospitali 3 acras et dimidiam terræ in Kokering, pro quibus dictus Edmundus recepit 4 acras terræ in parochia Sancti Martini, &c. Actum erat hoc exchambium anno r. R. H. filii regis Joannis 56, mense Julii.

OF THE ENDOWMENTS IN BLEAN, BELONGING TO THE HOSPITAL.

STEPHEN LANGTON, the next archbishop after Hubert, by his and his convent's charter, confirms to the hospital the gift of Blean church or parsonage, made to it by the patron Hamon Crevequer¹, after the resignation of it by the till then

¹ Properly Crevecoeur.

incumbent

incumbent and parson, William Crevequer: whereupon the Master or Keeper of the hospital became afterwards parson there¹; and continues to this day patron of the vicarage.

By another deed, the said Hamon Crevequer grants the parsonage-house to the master and brothers of the hospital, in these words:

“Totum messuagium cum pertinentiis, quod fuit Lefwini sacerdotis personæ ejusdem ecclæ, et quod postea fuit archidiaconi de Petters personæ ejusdem ecclæ, et quod postea fuit Willielmi de Crevequer personæ ejusdem ecclæ.”

Hamon Crevequer, in his charters, is commonly called “Hamo de Blen, filius Etardide Crevequer;” and on his seal, which is a man in armour on horseback, engraved in plate VI. fig. 5, is this inscription, “Hamo de Crevequer.” He lived in archbishop Langton’s time; for to one of his charters, Henricus de Sandford, archidiaconus Cant’, and Willielmus Curteys, are witnesses. This Henry Sandford was consecrated bishop of Rochester, A. D. 1227; and William Curteys, called “Decanus Cantuariensis,” was official of Canterbury at the time of the death of Langton, which happened A. D. 1228; for, “vacante sede per mortem predicti archiepiscopi² capitulum Cantuariense omnimodam jurisdictionem exercebat per Willielmum Curteys officium suum³.”

Another of his charters runs in these words:

“Sciunt presentes et futuri, quod ego Hamo de Blen, filius Etardi de Crevequer, dedi et concessi, et hac presenti mea charta confirmavi, Waltero⁴ Priori ecclæ Christi Cant’ et magistro Henrico de Sandford, archidiaconi Cant’ executoribus testamenti dñæ Agnetis de Clifford,” &c.

¹ A. D. 1206. Somner, p. 113.

² Sc. Stephani Langtoni.

³ Anglia Sacra, vol. I. p. 150.

⁴ This Walter, the prior, contemporary with Hen. Sandford, is not mentioned by Mr. Somner among the priors. See his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 282. where he makes Rogerus de la Lee immediately succeed John Sittingborn: and when he speaks of archdeacon Sandford (ibid. p. 309), he says, that “he was co-executor with the prior of Christ Church, of the lady Agnes Clifford’s will.” And in the margin, he quotes, for his authority, the leiger book of the hospital of Eastbridge. It is strange that he should not take notice of the prior’s name, which is written at large, “Waltero Priori.” This Walter, the third of that name, was made prior A. D. 1217, and died 1222. See Anglia Sacra, vol. I. p. 140.

The most noted witneſſes to the charters and deeds of Hamon Crevequer, beſides thoſe already named, were,

“Willielmus de Cluſe, Lambinus de Blen, Simon de Blen, Robertus Lupus, Henricus Jay, Radulphus de Porta, John Crevequer, Thomas Speciarius, Euſtachiſ de Natindune, Salomona de Fraxino.”

Robertus, filius Hamonis de Blen, had theſe witneſſes to a deed :

“Willielmus de Cluſe, Robertus Lupus, Rad’ de Porta (ut ſupra), Robertus de Wrotham, Hamo et Bartholomæus filii Simonis de Blen.”

I take notice of theſe witneſſes, becauſe they were witneſſes to divers charters and deeds which are not dated, as well as to ſome that are dated ; as the firſt ¹ charter of Hamo de Crevequer was A. D. 1225 ; and about that time divers gifts and charters were beſtowed upon the hoſpital.

Mr. Somner, in his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 309, ſays of Henry Sandford, that, “being archdeacon, he took a reſignation of Blean Church, by the title of *vices gerens Domini Stephani Cantuarienſis*, meaning archbiſhop Langton :” and for this he quotes the Leiger-book of the hoſpital.

There are ſeveral other charters or grants of lands or rents given to the hoſpital, lying in Blean : as,

Robertus Lupus, A. D. 1245.

Robertus filius Richardi de Wrotham, anno 34to Henrici filii regis Joannis ; i. e. A. D. 1250.

Willielmus filius Stephani de Hoth, 1268, &c.

Avicia filia Radulphi de Baldwerd dedit 3 acras, et quartam partem acræ, terræ, in campo de Reyfeild’ Rad’ cuſtos hoſpital’ witneſs.

The ſaid Avicia, and Reginald her huſband, confirmed the ſame grant. “Witneſs, Mag’ Rad’ cuſtos hoſpital’.”

Cicilia filia Radulphi de Balverd dedit unam acram et tres partes unius acræ de nemore in campo de Reyfeild.

The ſaid Cicily and Bartholomew de Hiwecham confirmed the ſame grant, as is ſet down among Canterbury endowments.

Ralph, maſter of the hoſpital, was witneſs to all theſe grants.

¹ Viz. The firſt which was entered in the old book of the hoſpital.

Feugerius

Feugerius filius Simonis de Hocke dedit tres acras, et quartam partem acrae, terrae, de nemore, &c.

Hamo de Crevequer dedit 14 acras, et quartam partem acrae, terrae, et 4 acras de bosco.

Idem dedit totum campum de Willelmesmed in Blen.

Idem dedit tenementum, &c. et 14 gallinas, &c.

Idem dedit terram, &c. intra Nigreth et Middleditch, et claustrum prioris et conventus Christi Cant' et aquam quae currit ad Fishmansbregge et Prestekote, &c.

Idem dedit diversos redditus et gallinas, &c.

Most of these donations were made before the hospital of Saint Nicholas and Saint Katherine was united to Eastbridge hospital.

Item dedit 6 acras de bosco, quae vocatur Nigreth.

Wlwardus, filius Walteri Huppehoth, dedit quandam terram, &c.

Agnes filia Anserii dedit 2 acras et 3 virgatas terrae, &c.

Simon et Petrus filii Eftermanni dederunt boscum et fundum qui jacent ad caput campi quod vocatur Weterled, &c.

Richard de Bromfeild Senescallus Curiae Christi Cant' dedit 6d. redditus, A. D. 1242.

1243. Willielmus de Suthfolk dedit de terra, quae vocatur Slippesfeld, 12d. et de terra quae vocatur Linhere 5d. ob. &c. Dat' anno r. R. Hen' fil' Joann' 27^o hiis testibus Martino tunc vicario de Blen, &c.

1268. Willielmus filius Stephani de Hoth dedit terram illam in villa de Blen, quae vocatur Slippesfeld. Anno r. R. Hen' fil' Joann' regis 52.

Joannes de Fraxino, parochianus Sctorum Cosmi et Damiani de Blen, dedit 5d. redditus de terra quae vocatur Godlendlend. A. D. 1272.

Willielmus, filius Hammonis de Lekel de Blen, dedit 8 acras terrae, sc. 4 acras nemoris, et 4 acras terrae arabilis, in Blen. Dat' anno r. R. Hen fil' regis Joannis 56; id est, A. D. 1272.

A. D. 1280. Abreda, filia Roberti de la Hoth, dedit 2 acras et unam virgatam terrae in Blen, &c. anno r. R. Edw' filii regis Henrici 8^o.

A. D. 1289. Robertus Scot' dedit 3 acras et dimid' terrae in Blen. Dat' die Martis in vigilia S^{ti} Laurentii martyris, anno reg. R. Ed. I. 17^o.

A. D. 1299. Marabilia filia Joannis Ater Hearth remisit duas perticas terrae in Bleau, unam sc. in campo qui vocatur Merchotefeld, alteram in campo qui vocatur Orfeld. Dat' anno r. R. Edw' filii Henrici 27^{mo}.

Prior et conventus ecclesiae Christi Cant' habent boscum unam de venditione magri et frat' hospitalis de Estbrig, A. D. 1278. Registrum ecclesiae Christi Cant. (A) fol. 217.

A WIND-MILL IN LITTLE FOXMOLD.

THE prioress and nuns of the church of St. Sepulchre made an agreement with the master and brothers of the hospital of Eastbridge¹, thereby granting them

Quartam partem unius acrae terrae suae in Parva Foxmold in parte occidentali, ad construend' molendinum suum ad ventum :

Mr. Somner adds, *in bundredo de Ridigate*; which he took out of the Leiger-book of the hospital: but those words are not in the charter or original agreement. The conditions of the agreement were these:

“ That the said master and his brethren of the hospital should hold the said land *jure hæreditario in perpetuum*.

“ That they should pay to the said prioress and her nuns every year six-pence on Midlent Sunday.

“ That the said prioress and her nuns should bear a fourth part of the charge of building, repairing, and maintaining the said mill, and should receive the fourth part of the profits thereof, and have their own corn ground there whensoever they please.” And,

“ That the master and brethren of the hospital should find a way *a magno cheminio per terram suam usque ad prefatum molendinum*,” &c.

It is not “ *a cheminio magno regali*,” as Mr. Somner hath it.

About the same time Richard de Bramford, steward of Christ-Church, passed over all his right in a mill in Foxmold to the hospital²; the words of his charter are these:

“ Sciant presentes et futuri, quod ego Richardus de Bramford, senescallus ecclesiæ Christi Cant', dedi et concessi, et hæc presenti meâ chartâ confirmavi, magistro et fratribus hospitalis Sancti Thomæ Cant' quicquid habui in molendino ad ventum apud Foxmolde in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam, ad faciendum anniversarium meum et uxoris meæ et omnium antecessorum et successorum nostrorum in prædicta dono in perpetuum. Et ut hæc donatio et concessio et confirmatio mea robur obtineat, presentem chartam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, magistro Willielmo pænitentiario, Hamone sacerdote, Willielmo Crevequer, Osmundo Pollre³,” &c.

¹ About the year 1200.

² Ibid.

³ Osmund Pollre lived 1238, in the house next but one to the hospital. See p. 306.

Some of these were witnesses also to the agreement between the nunnery and the hospital.

Not long after, Lambin the Fleming¹, the son of Adam de Berghes, gave to the brethren of the hospital of Eastbridge *unam summam* [one seam] *frumenti*, from his mill called Medmilne², on St. John Baptist's day, and 14 *perticatas terre, que jacet Binnewytt*, (which is the island *With* in Canterbury) *et tres denarios de redditu de Alwardetune*, &c.

This benefaction being afterwards withheld from the hospital, the master and brethren sued for it in the spiritual court, and obtained this decree against Thomas, the son of Lambin the Fleming :

"That whereas Lambin, the father of Thomas, had given (as above) *unam summam frumenti* to the hospital *in puram et perpetuam eleemosynam*, he should pay the same accordingly every year; and that he should deliver to them about Easter *tres summas frumenti*, in satisfaction of arrears due to them, *sub penâ excommunicationis*."

This decree was made *die Lune post festum Sancti Valentini*, A. D. 1253, *in ecclesiâ Christi, Cant.*

Grant above-mentioned, p. 312.

"Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens carta pervenerit, Juliana, priorissa, et conventus ecclesie Sancti Sepulchri, Cant', salutem. Sciatis nos dedisse et concessisse, et hac presenti cartâ mea confirmasse, rectori et fratribus hospitalis Sancti Thome Martyris de Eastbridge, in Cantuariâ, quartam partem unius acre terre in Parvâ Foxmolde, in capite occidentali, tenendam et habendam in perpetuum de nobis, reddendo inde annuatim nobis sex denarios sterlingorum in Dominicâ mediâ quadragesime pro omnibus servitiis, et omnibus rebus, &c. Hiis testibus, Henrico archidiacon' Cant', magistro Rogero poenitentiario, Herberto personâ de Plukeley, Martino personâ ecclesie Sancti Alphegi, Osmundo Polre," &c.

This was before the year 1227, when archdeacon Henry de Stanford was consecrated bishop of Rochester; perhaps it was

¹ So "firnamed," says Somner, "from either his birth-place or parentage." His house was afterwards the hospital of the poor priests, who also succeeded him in this mill, charged, however, by a decree, in 1325, with four bushels of wheat to Eastbridge hospital.

² Of Medmilne, "*quasi Middlemilne*, as standing about midway between St. Mildred's mill and Eastbridge," or Medmilne, "*quasi Meadmilne*, because situate by the meadows." See Somner's *Antiquities of Canterbury*, p. 138. 1st edition.

in the time of his predecessor Henry de Castilion, who was archdeacon in archbishop Hubert's and king John's time.

By the following Bull of Pope Honorius III. the hospital was privileged of and from paying tithes of their gardens:

A. D. 1210. "Honorius¹ episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis, rectori et fratribus hospitalis Sancti Thome Cantuariensis, salutem et apostolicam benedictionem. Justis petentium desideriis dignum est nos facilem prebere consensum, et vota que a rationis tramite non discordant, effectu prosequente complere: Ea propter, dilecti in Domino filii, vestris justis postulationibus grato concurrentes assensu, personas vestras ac hospitale ipsum quo divino estis obsequio mancipati, cum omnibus bonis que in presentiarum rationabiliter possidetis, aut in futurum justis modis, prestante Domino, poteritis adipisci, sub beati Petri et nostrâ protectione suscipimus. Specialiter autem possessiones, redditus, et alia bona vestra, sicut ea omnia juste et pacifice possidetis, vobis, et p̄viro prefato hospitali, nostrâ auctoritate apostolicâ confirmamus, et presentis scripti patrocinio communimus, districtius inhibentes, nequis a vobis de ortis vestris decimas exigere vel extorquere presumat. Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostre protectionis, confirmationis, et inhibitionis infringere, vel ea ausu temerario contraire. Siquis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignationem omnipotentis Dei, et beatorum Petri et Pauli, apostolorum ejus, se noverit incursum. Dat' Rome, apud Sanctum Petrum, xiiii kal' Januarii, pontificatus nostri anno primo."

A. D. 1269. John of Adisham gave two acres and a half in the parish of Saint Martin, abutting on an acre of his own land towards the East, on his brother's land towards the West, on the king's highway towards the North, and on the lands of the abbot and convent of Saint Augustine towards the South, to the master and brothers of the hospital of St. Thomas of Estbrigge, dated *Anno r. R. Hen' filii Joannis regis, 53^o, &c.* (See the charter at large among the writings of the hospital). For this they were to provide him a chamber in the said hospital, with meat, drink, cloaths, and shoes, so long as he should live.

GUILDHALL LAND IN ROMNEY, GIVEN TO THE HOSPITAL.

"Omnibus hoc scriptum visuris, vel audituris, barones portus de Romeny salutem. Noveritis quod nos, communi assensu nostro, pro salute animarum nostrarum et ante-

¹ This Pope reigned from July 17, 1216, to March 18, 1227. Consequently this Bull must have been dated in 1216, or 1217. "On all occasions," says Moreri, "he gave proofs of a zeal really acting for the good of the Church, and the advantage of the Faithful."

cessorum et successorum nostrorum, sc. ut specialiter participes simus omnium benefactorum que in hospitali beati Thome martyris de Eastbridge in Cantuariâ in perpetuum fient, concessimus et quiete clamavimus Deo, et beate Marie, et dicto hospitali, et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus, totum jus et cladium nostrum quod habuimus in terrâ que vocatur Gildehalle land in villâ de Romeney, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam eleemosinam, itâ quod predicti fratres terram predictam absque calumpniâ vel impedimento nostro, vel heredum nostrorum, in perpetuum libere et quiete teneant et possideant: ut autem hec concessio et quietâ clamatio stabilis et inconcussa in perpetuum permaneat, scripto presenti commune sigillum universitatis nostre apposuimus. Hiis testibus, Domino Heremanno, capellano, Richardo, capellano," &c.

Afterwards, the rector and brethren of the hospital, with the consent of Edmund ¹ lord archbishop of Canterbury, passed over by indenture to

" Thomas, the son of Humphrey, all that land in Romney, upon which Guildhall stood, which lyes over-against the church of St. Laurence ², towards the north-east: upon condition, that he payes yearly to the hospital of Eastbridge, in Canterbury, the summe of two markes, that is to say, one mark at the feast of the Nativity of Christ, or within twelve days after, and one mark at the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist: And in case he or his heirs do make default in payment of the said money at the appointed times, that then he shall pay double so much as he hath not paid according to the appointed times: And if he failes to make payment for one whole year, then the master and brothers of the hospital shall enter and seize upon the said land, and take full possession of it, without any further consideration. And for this grant the said Thomas gave to the said master and brethren 40l. sterling *in gerfumam*, by way of fine," &c.

See the lease at large among the writings of the hospital.

IN CANTERBURY.

A. D. 1257. CHRISTIANA, the daughter of William Silvestre, the relict of William Samuel, gave to the master and brethren of the hospital, and their successors for ever, the sum of three shillings and six-pence a year, free rent, which the heirs of Kerloms Le Mercer used to pay her, at two times in the year, viz. at Midlent one-and-twenty pence, and at the Feast of St. Michael one-and-twenty pence, out of a certain shop in the Mercery ³ before the gate of the church of the Holy Trinity ⁴, i. e. between the tenement of Thomas the son of Lambin Fleming ⁵, and the tenement of the heirs of Richard Bigges, and the highway leading to the church of the Holy

¹ Archbishop Edmund was consecrated, A. D. 1234.

² St. Laurence's church was in New Romney.

⁴ Now Christ Church.

³ Now Mercery-lane.

⁵ See above, p. 313.

Trinity on the one part, and the tenement of Henry Le Furmger on the other part. This rent to be held *in liberam, puram, et perpetuam eleemosynam*, &c. Dated anno regni regis Henrici, filii regis Joannis, 41^o. Hiis testibus, Gregorio Palmigero, et Roberto Burre, tunc Ballivis Cant', Willielmo Cokin, Joanne Digges," &c.

This rent is paid at this day out of the house where Mr. Kingsford the milliner now lives, viz. A. D. 1690¹.

Maynerius Le Waydur, civis Cant', was bound to maintain a waterspout which went from his house to the river, and was joined to the roof of the kitchen belonging to the hospital; and that he and his heirs, and whoever should own his house, should be bound to pay to the hospital the sum of xii pence yearly, at the feast of St. Michael².

"Hiis testibus, Willielmo Samuel, Huberto Mercerio, tunc prepositis, Henrico Jay, Osmundo Polre³," &c.

This is the house of Mr. Lefroy, the dyer, now joining to the hospital on the East side of it⁴; of the same house Mr. Somner writes, p. 120, that, "one Cressy, a Jew, built the forepart of it against the head of the chapel belonging to the hospital:" And that "when the Jews were expelled Canterbury, this house, with others, were given by the king to Christ-Church." This Cressy was forced to agree with the hospital, that his house might be suffered to stand, and had a charter in writing for it, which bears date 1236. It is in a leiger book belonging to the Church, called *Charta Remissionis*, made by Peter the then rector, and the brethren of the hospital of Saint Thomas of Eastbridge, to Cressy the Jew,

"De omnibus querelis occasione domus, vel fundamenti, vel muri, quam in parte orientali in capite capelle nostre edificavit, ut nunquam questio movebitur in curia Christianitatis vel seculari," &c.

¹ Now, 1784, occupied by Mr. Richard Elwyn, cutler.

² This was soon after A. D. 1200, in the time of Archbishop Hubert.

³ "Or Poller, as we now write it," says Somner. He lived in the house next to this. See above, p. 312.

⁴ Now, 1784, in the occupation of James Ronolds, gun-maker.

IN AND ABOUT CANTERBURY.

Ivo¹ filius Ade, textoris, de Holestreet, dedit tres denarios redditus fratribus et sororibus hospit' beati Thome Martyris de Eastbregge in Cant' ex messuagio in parochiâ Sancti Dunstani, &c.

Among other witnesses is *Magister Radulphus, tunc custos jam dicti hospitalis*, &c. This was about the time of archbishop Hubert; the writing shews it to be old.

Mattheus, filius Thome, filii Sunewinni, extra Westgate, dedit hospitali Sancti Thome Martyris de Eastbrigge in civitate Cant' 26 denarios, viz. 12 denar' ex messuagio extra Westgate in parochiâ Sancti Dunstani, et 14d. de messuagio illo extra Westgate, quod jacet in venellâ que vocatur Northlane.

This seems to be about A. D. 1230.

Hamo de Lutterwood dedit duos denarios de redditu, et omne jus in messuagio in parochiâ de Northgate, &c.

About 1220.

Alicia, filia Hammonis, filii Arnoldi, Tinctoris, de Eastbrigge, dedit rectori et fratribus hospit' S^{ti} Tho' Cant' tres denarios de redditibus que solebant solvere, &c.

Ascelina, filia Rad' filii Arnoldi, de ponte Eastbrig, dedit rectori et fratribus hospit' Sancti Tho' Mart' omnes terras illas, cum pertinentiis suis, que jacent inter pontem de Eastbrigge et messuagium Gawen Tinctorarii, datum anno mcccxxxix, secundo quo dominus rex Henricus, filius regis Joannis, desponsavit reginam filiam Comitis Provinciæ.

Ricardus, filius Radulphi, filii Arnoldi, Tinctoris, dedit domui hospitali Sancti Tho' Martyr' et ejusd' domus fratribus successorib', illam terram in parochiâ Omnium Sanctorum, que jacet juxta Sturey, et habet in latitudine suâ super cheminium domini regis 42 pedes, et in longitudine suâ 77.

Richard Calvil dedit fratribus et sororibus hosp' Sancti Tho' Martyr', et successoribus eorum, in perpetuum, illam terram, cum domib' et pertinentiis suis, que habent in latitudine suâ versus Suth 29 pedes, in latitudine suâ 32 pedes, et in longitudine suâ de cheminio regis versus North 200 pedes.

Gode, filia Wiberti, Carnificis, extra Westgate, dedit hospit' Sancti Thome Martyris, et fratribus et sororibus ejusdem loci, duodecem denarios redditus de messuagio extra Westgate, quod adjacet proximè Sture.

Robertus Pyn, et Beatricia uxor, dederunt duos solidos de redditu ex messuagio in parochiâ Sancti Petri, &c.

Among the witnesses is *Magister Radulphus, tunc custos jam dicti hospitalis*.

Joannes Chopelese, extra Westgate, filius Admeri Clerici, dedit fratribus et sororibus hosp' beati Tho' Mart' tres solidos de redditu extra Westgate, &c.

¹ This Ivo, and his father Adam, the dyer, are afterwards said to have given a pension of 9d. a year to the hospital in 1200. See p. 320.

To this one of the witnesses is *Magister Radulphus, tunc custos dicti hospitalis.*

1200. Avicia, relicta Lamberti Weyderi, dedit hosp' beati Tho' Martyr', et fratribus et sororibus ejusdem, totum illud messuagium, cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, quod adjacet proximè messuagio lapideo predict' hospital' et messuagio quod fuit Aluredi, mercatoris, et venella que vocatur Venella Judeorum, in parochiâ ecclesie Omnium Sanctorum ¹.

One of the witnesses is *Mag' Radulphus, custos dicti hospital'.*

1200. Bruningus, Molendinator, extra Westgate, dedit fratribus et sororibus hospitalis beati Thome Martyris 16d. redditus de messuagio extra Westgate, in parochiâ ecclesie de Westgate.

Witness, *Magister Radulphus, dicti hospitalis tunc custos.*

1200. Bartholomæus de Hiwecham, et Cicilia uxor, dedit unam acram et tres partes unius acre nemoris in campo de Reifeld.]

I suppose this is in Blene. Witness, *Radulph' custos hospitalis dicti.*

1200. Rogerus Vachier, et uxor ejus, dederunt 6 denarios de redditu, extra Westgate, de messuagio in capite venellæ quæ vocatur Crokere-lane. Teste M^{ro} Rad.

Hugo Godeshalt dedit Deo et fratribus hospit' Sancti Tho' Mart' totam illam terram, cum pertinentiis suis, que jacet inter terram Radulph' filii Willielmi versus West, et regiam stratam versus East, &c.

A. D. 1269. Arnoldus Bedellus, de Westgate, in Cant', dedit rectori et fratribus hosp' duos denarios, et tres quadrantes, redditus de tenementis lapideis que sita sunt inter ecclesiam Sancti Petri in Cant' et domum Joannis filii Roberti.

Petrus, filius Stephani de Dene, dedit messuagium illud, cum pertinentiis suis, quod est super Sturam, et duo messuagia illa versus West proximè illi adjacentia.

Wlfrerus, filius Estrilde de Herebaldune, dedit Deo et fratribus et sororibus hosp' Sancti Tho' Martyr, 2s. redditus pvenientes de 6 acris terre sup Derindele, &c.

Salomon de Tuniford dedit 6 denarios liberi redditus magistro procuratori dicti hospitalis, &c.

Ante 1241. Thomas Aurifaber, filius Gervasii de Witherinbrook, dedit totam illam terram que fuit Willielmi filii Hamonis fratris uxoris Alicie, que jacent inter Sturam et terram heredum Garwi, Tinctoris, in civitat' Cant'.

The same was before given by Ascelina, filia Radulphi filii Arnoldi, as above, p. 317.

Petrus de Burleg dedit 6 solidatas et 2 denariatas redditus M^{ro} et fratribus hospit' quas predicti Mag' et fratres reddere solebant annuatim de tribus messuagiis que jacent in civitate Cant' juxta pontem de Eastbridge, versus West, &c. Act' anno Domini 1241, &c.

¹ The house "adjoining to Jewry-lane," no part of which is in the parish of All Saints, is that which is now, 1784, the coffee-house. D.

Hence the donations and confirmation of Thomas Aurifaber, p. 318. and Ascelina, filia Radulphi, p. 317. were before that date.

Ante 1241. Lodovicus, filius Willielmi de Machelii, dedit 6 denarios redditûs quos emit a Robert Vach et uxore ejus, de messuagio extra Westgate, in capite velle que vocatur Croker-lane, &c.

This is the same that Roger Vach gave before; as above-mentioned, p. 318.

Adam, filius Wlfredi, dedit 37 denarios redditûs de domo lapideâ extra Westgate¹.

Joannes, filius Viviani, dedit quandam terram in Cant' &c. in parochiâ Omnium Sanctorum, &c.

Aldhienna, filia Thome, dedit 20d. redditûs de terrâ extra Westgate in parochiâ Sancti Dunstani, &c.

Hugo de Redegate dedit messuagium quoddam extra portam de Radegate.

Margarera, filia Randulfi de Geddings, dedit 12d. redditûs, quos Godefredus dedit recipiendos in dicto hospitali, &c.

A. D. 1254. Henricus, filius Nicolai, filii Baldwini, dedit octo et decem denarios redditûs pvenientes de quodam messuagio, cum suis pertinentiis, in parochiâ Sancte Marie de Northgate, quod fuit Radulfi de Littleburn, quod fuit juxta terram monachorum Sancte Trinitatis Cant' versus West, et regiam stratam versus East, ad duos terminos anni, sc. 9d. ad festum Sancti Michael', et 9d. ad mediam quadragessimam. Actum anno regis Henrici, filii Joannis, 38.

A. D. 1246. Thomas Lock, filius Ade Cementarii, dedit quandam terram in parochiâ Sancti Petri, &c. anno r. R. Henrici, filii domini Joannis regis Anglie, 30mo.

Guido et Joannes, filii Susanne, filie Roberti des Ewer, dedit terram in Bramdune, &c.

Simon, filius Willielmi, } dederunt septem acras terre in Bromedune in tenemento
Adam de Saxingherth, } de Westgate, &c.

Gunnora, filia Eustathii de Merewith, dedit tres solidatas liberi redditûs ex messuagiis tribus juxta pontem de Eastbridge.

There are several other charters to confirm the donations of the said messuages.

1200. Walterus de Safford capellanus dedit decem denarios liberi redditûs ex messuagio quod jacet in parochiâ Sancte Margarete in Cant'².

This was about archbishop Hubert's time, or soon after.

Arnoldus Aurifaber resignavit, et in perpetuum quietum clamavit, Magistro et fratribus hospiti' Sancti Thome Martyris, totum jus et clamium in toto illo messuagio, cum pertinentiis suis, quod de iis tenuit in parochiâ Omnium Sanctorum Cant'. Quod quidem messuagium jacet inter messuagium quod fuit Joannis de Adisham,

¹ This house belonged to Mr. Thomas Walker in 1740. Now occupied, 1784, by Mr. Thomas Delafaux, jun. silk mercer.

² Mr. Thomas Hollingbery, 1740.

quod est versus North, et viam que ducit ad molendinum regium versus Suth, &c.
Dat. A. D. 1256.

This messuage is alienated at this day.

1245. Rogerus Aldermannus, filius Joannis, Aldermanni de Readingate¹, dedit duos solidos redditus de quatuor acris terre in Foxmold, &c.

Rogerus Aldermannus, filius Joannis, &c. dedit 7 acras terre, viz. v acras in Foxmold, et duas acras juxta viam ex alterâ parte, &c.

Willielmus de Readingate, filius Joannis Aldermanni, dedit 3s. redditus, viz. 1s. quem fratres hospit' solvere solebant de acris terre in Foxmold, &c. 2s. quos sancte moniales Sancti Sepulchri solvere solebant, &c.

About the year 1245, as may be collected from the witnesses.

Willielmus, filius Joannis, Aldermanni de Readingate, dedit 24 solidos redditus, et octo denarios et obolum annui redditus, sc. de Josepho, textore, 3s. de hered' Roberti de Rodericume, 8d. de priore et conventu ecclesie Christi, Cant', 2s. 10d. de hered' Walteri Boel, 23d. de Warino de Burgate, 6d. de hered'. Terrici Aurifabr', 2s. 4d. de messuagio Siwardi, pistoris, 4s. de Warino de Niole, 23d. de monial' ecclesie Sancti Sepulch', xiid. de Joanne, filio decani de Hakintune, 2s. de Rudulpho de Leghe, 1s. de Reginaldo de Cornhill, 8d. de eleemosynariis ecclesie Sancti Augustini, 4d. de Thomâ Arcioniario, 10d. de M^{ro} Simone de Thaneto, 6d. de W^{mo} de Cockin, 6d. ob. de heredibus Thome Aldermanni, 1s.

A. D. 1227. "Dat' coram justiciariis itinerantibus, sc. Martino de Pateshell, Ric' Duketh, Willo de Insulâ, Thoma de Kamullâ, apud Cant', anno r. R. Hen. fil' reg' Joannis, 11mo."

The other charters, which were made by the sons of Aldermannus de Readingate, must have been of more ancient date.

Henricus de Ospring dedit 16d. de libero redditu ex tenemento in Natindune, &c. 1200. Adam, textor, de Holestreet, et Ivo filius ejus, dederunt 9d. redditus.

Witness to it, *Magister Rad' tunc custos hospital.*

An agreement between the prior and brethren of the hospital of Herbaldown, and the master and brethren of the hospital of Eastbridge, to pay out of a messuage in St. Peter's parish, 4s. yearly, to the master and brethren of the hospital of Eastbridge:

¹ This father and son, and also another son, William, (mentioned afterwards) seem to have been successively "aldermen of the ward of Riding-gate" (as it is now styled), that being one of the six ancient wards of the city (which still continue), and the aldermanries being said by Somner, to be "as ancient as Richard I's time," but to have been originally, "freeholds, either demiseable or deviseable, or descending, if indisposed of at death, to the next heir at law." D.

Quod

Quod est inter messuagium monachorum Sancte Trinitatis, quod versus West; et regiam stratam, que versus North, &c.

An agreement between the master and brethren of the hospital of Eastbridge, and John, the son of Ralph Bernigadarere, that the said master and brethren granted unto the said John, his heirs and assigns, a messuage, with all its appurtenances, which lies in the parish of St. Peter's, and adjoins to a messuage of the monks of the Holy Trinity, which is towards the East, &c. And they are to receive for the same yearly, for ever, 3 s. 6 d. viz. 2 Id. *ad fest' Sancti Mich'*, et 2 Id. *ad dominicam mediam quadragesime*.

“ Ecclesia Christi solvit abbati de Faversham vd. pro terrâ de quâ magister hospit' Sancti Thome reddit nobis (i. e. Priori et Capl'o ecclesie Christi Cant') tres solidos, et est in parochiâ Sancti Petri.”

IN HERBALDOWN.

MICHAEL, filius Heylye de Blen, dedit totam illam terram, que vocatur Bromthiache, et jacet inter Bromdunama et la Herste, et est in parochiâ Sancti Nicolai.

Idem dedit terram, que fuit Lamberti Guarderii, &c.

A. D. 1280. Joannes, filius Rogeri Cristmisse, dedit domino Joanni, vicario de Wycham, magistro hospit' &c. unam peciam terre in parochiâ Sancti Dunstani extra Westgate, jacentem inter terram Petri Durant versus East, et terram hered' Tho' Abot versus West, et terram domini archiep' Cant' versus North, et regiam stratam versus Suth, &c. Dat' anno r. R. Edw' filii R. Henrici 14.

This is the piece of land called Lompitts.

A. D. 1297. Willielmus Cryke & Susanna uxor ejus remiserunt sex denariatas annui redditus de Lompitts. Anno r. R. Edw. primi 25.

Joannes Holt dedit messuagium cum domibus desuper constructis, &c. quod jacet inter hospit' de Eastbridge versus orientem, et tenement' Roberti Polre versus occidentem, et inter regiam stratam et rivum Sturam.

This, by the writing and witnesses, appears to be ancient.

A. D. 1354. Joannes Godard remisit 2s. redditus de peciâ terre, vocate Lompitts, quos magister hosp' solvere solebat, &c. Dat' apud Cant', vigil' Epiphan', anno r. R. Edw' tertii a conquestu 28vo.

Petrus de Wurt dedit 18 denar' liberi redditus quos ei solvere solebant magister et fratres hospit'.

This was very ancient, as appears by the witnesses and writing.

A. D. 1547. "Magister hospitalis de Eastbrugge, pro 7 acris terræ ad terras manerii de Thanington versus North et East, ad terras nuper monialium Sancti Sepulchri vocat' Mynchyncroft versus South, et ad regiam viam versus West, solvit annum redditum viid. per Tho. Hales¹, anno 1 Edw. VI."

The land of the manor of Thanington, to which these seven acres did abut, are called Long Crow Down; and the highway on the West is, *via equestris quæ ducit ab Holoway usque Petham*.

This money was paid by the master of the hospital to Mr. Tho. Hales, &c.

EX LIBRO MS. ECCLESIAE CHRISTI CANT', CIRCITER A. D. 1300.

Redditus quem debemus certis nominibus pro terris quas tenemus:

Ad purificationem beatæ Mariæ.

Hospitali Sancti Thomæ de Estbrugge, viid.

Item hospitali de Eastbrugge, vs. ix d.

Ad annuntiationem beatæ Mariæ.

Hospitali de Estbrugge ——— iid.

Item eidem ——— iid.

Ad Pentecosten.

Hospitali de Estbrugge ——— iid.

Item eidem ——— vd.

Ad festum Sancti Michael.

Hospitali de Estbrugge ——— vid.

Eidem hospitali ——— vs. ix d.

Item eidem ——— viid.

Item eidem ——— iid.

Item eidem ——— iid.

xivs. viid.

IN BEAKSBORN, ALIAS LIVINGSBORN.

THE hospital was formerly endowed with several parcels of land in this village, which at this day are alienated.

William de Becco sold unto William de Sancto Eadmundo, rector of Livingborn, 26 acres of land, which are plainly set out in the charter by such abuttalls as are known at this day, viz. 14 of them, "versus orientem ad regiam viam que ducit de Patricsburn ad Livingburn, versus occidentem ad terram Hugonis le Noble; in breadth, versus aquilonem, ad messuagium et terram predicti Hugonis le Noble; versus austrum, ad terram Eustathii de Burne, militis." And the other 14 acres "jacent in longitudine versus orientem ad stratam regiam, versus occidentem ad terram que vocatur Woppin, in latitudine versus aquilonem ad regiam stratam quæ ducit de Livingburn ad Cantuariam; et versus austrum ad terram et messuagium Hugonis le Noble," &c.

¹ Ex libro MS. Tho. Hales.

Richard and William, the sons of the said William de Becco, confirmed this charter of sale by their respective charters to the said William de Sancto Edmundo, rector of Livingborn. And to these charters one of the witnesses was Peter, who was master of the hospital of Saint Thomas the martyr, A. D. 1236-1242.

That any of these lands were afterwards given by William de Sancto Edmundo to the hospital, there is no deed or charter now extant to prove; but that either some part of these or some other pieces of land, did belong to the hospital doth appear; because, in another charter of Richard de Becco, *filius Willielmi de Becco*, the 10 acres of Wopping land in Beakborn are mentioned to abutt *inter terram dicti hospitalis, que est versus East*. This charter is dated A. D. 1250.

A. D. 1240. An agreement was made between William del Bec de Livingburn, et William de Sancto Eadmundo, cler', rector de Livingburn, that William del Bec did let by lease to Willielmo de Sancto Edmundo 10 acres of land, *in campo qui vocatur Wopping*, for the term of 25 years; beginning *ad Epiphaniam Domini anno MCCXLº, sc. anno r. R. Hen' filii Joannis regis 24to*, to the full term of 25 years compleat; and after that term of years compleat, the said 10 acres of land to return again to William del Bec, &c. Witness to this lease was Peter, (abovementioned) *tunc magister hospitalis Sancti Thome Martyris, &c.*

This lease William de Sancto Edmundo assigned to the master and brethren of the hospital of St. Thomas in Canterbury; and because in the first year they sustained a great loss in their crop of oats, William del Becco added one year to the said 25 years, by way of increase.

At length Richard, the son of William del Becco, gave the said 10 acres in Wopping to the said hospita for ever. The words of the charter are these:

“ Sciant presentes et futuri, quod ego Ricardus del Becco de Livingesburne, filius Willielmi del Becco, militis, dedi et concessi, et hâc presenti chartâ meâ confirmavi, magistro et fratribus hospitalis Sancti Thome Martyris de Eastbrigg in Cant’, pro salute anime mee, et antecessorum meorum, et heredum meorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam, decem acras terre mee, cum sepibus et fossatis, et oîb’s aliis pertinentiis suis, que jacent in campo qui vocatur Wopping, juxta acram ecclesie de Livingesburn que est versus North, et terram que fuit Eustachii, militis, de Burnes que est versus Suth; et inter terram dicti hospitalis que est versus East, et terram dicti Richardi del Bec que est versus West. Tenend’ et habend’ dictis fratribus, et eorum successoribus, de me, et heredibus meis, liberè, quietè, et jure hereditario, et pacificè in perpetuum, sicut aliqua elemosina liberius et securius possidetur: Et ego Richardus, et heredes mei, warrantizabimus et defendemus dictis fratribus et eorum successoribus omnem predictam terram, cum omnibus suis pertinentiis super dictis, contra omnes homines et feminas, tam Judeos et Judeas quàm Christianos et Christianas. Et ut hec mea donatio, et charte mee confirmatio, et hujus dicte elemosine mee facta et recordata in curia mea apud Livingesburn concessio, rata et stabilis permaneant in perpetuum; hanc presentem cartam meam sigilli mei appositione roboravi. Actum sc. nono kalend’ Maii, die Sancti Georgii, anno Domini 1250.—Hiis testibus, domino Philippo, tunc vicario de Livingesburn: Nichola de Burne, Ric’ fratre ejus, Henrico magistro, Willielmo de Bec, Joanne de Dudintune, Will’o filio Thome, Henrico Noble, Henrico Peynot, Roberto de Woltune, et aliis.”

Copia vera ex ipso originali, per me Nic. Battely.

Willielmus de Sancto Edmundo did give,

“ Domui Sancti Thome Martyris de Eastbrigg in Cant’, et magistro et fratribus ejusdem loci, in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam, &c. omnes terras, redditus, &c. anno Domini 1240.”

The charter of this was entered fol. 38. of the book belonging to the hospital. In the same book was another charter of the same William de Sancto Edmundo: *Domui hospitali Sancti Thome Martyris de Eastbreg, et pauperibus et infirmis illuc confluentibus, et magistro et fratribus ibidem Deo servientibus, &c.* But these and the book are now all lost.

Page 43 and 44 of this book, king Edward, confirms by his letters patent the 26 acres of lands which William de Burnes gave to the hospital, and the 10 acres of land that Richard de Bec’ gave, which lie in Wopping field.

IN BIRCHINGTON, IN THE ISLE OF THANET.

"WALTERUS, filius Eilmeri, filius Aldithe, dedit fratribus domûs hospitalis Sancti Thome de Eastbreg in Cant. et eorum fratrum successoribus, in perpetuum, unam acram terræ in Huppedune, &c.—in Burchetune."

THE MANOR OF MONKTON.

"By a rental made for the said manner the 22d of June, 1545, Mr. Henry Crispe has to ferme certain lands called Eastbridge Lands, and this land pertains to Eastbridge Spittle, in Canterbury, that is, the Spittle that is on Kingsbridge, besides Alhallon Church. These lands bound to the lands of Mr. Henry Crispe, besides Quekis, East, South, and West, and contain three acres dī rowde xii perches. And another peice lying to the land of Mr. Crispe South and West, to the king's highway North, and to Mr. Dingle East, and it contains one acre three perches: and another peece lying by Adrian's Croft to the lands of Mr. Crispe North and West, and to Mr. Crispe, late Boucher's, and to the lands of Mr. Dingle South, and contains one acre and 5 perches. Another peece lying at Farthinge, downe to the lands of Mr. Crispe, West, East, and North, and to the highway South, and contains one acre di and 5 perches.

"And another peece lyes in the lands of Mr. Petit, called Highhams, besides Blithes Crosse, and this peice is dowed out with 4 dowells, and lyes on the northside of the way leading from Quekes to Blight's Crosse, a little beside a deel or hoole, with a hawthorn growing on the bank, and bounds to Mr. Pettit East, South, and North, and to Den lands West, contains by estimation 5 acres and a halfe resid', and so contains in two l. of Eastbridge land in the hands of Mr. Crisp, and at his hering out xi acres, 3 roods, v perches, 2s. the acre, xxiii s. ob."

Extract out of the Court Rolls.

Examined by John Coppin, Steward.

"Sciant presentes et futuri, quod ego Gilbertus de Clare, comes Glocestrie et Hereford, concessi et confirmavi fratribus hosp' Sancti Thome Martyris de Eastbrug in Cantuar' terram illam que fuit Willielmi, filii Roberti Edith, cum pertinentiis, et terram illam cum pertinentiis que fuit Wulwardi regulatorii, et terram illam que vocatur Elstedestune, et terram illam cum pertinentiis quam tenent de Lambino, et Michael, et Joanne, filii Elizæ de Blen, et tres solidos, et quatuor denarios, et tres gallinas, redditus cum pertinentiis que, tenent de Willielmo fratre Hamonis de Blen de terra que vocatur Arkland, et 12 denarios redditus, cum pertinentiis, quos tenent de dicto Joanne filio Elye, tenend' et habend' secundum formam in confirmatione Hamonis de Blen contentam; salvo servitio mihi debito. Hiis testibus, Willielmo de Hobrug, Baldwino de Ver, Mich' de Fossa, W'mo de Cluse."

This last witness lived about 1225.

"Sciant presentes et futuri, quod ego Gilbertus de Clare, comes Gloc' et Heref', concessi et confirmavi fratribus hosp' Sancti Tho' Martyr' de Eastbrug in Cant' terram

terram illam cum pertinentiis que vocatur Nigrethe, et terram illam que vocatur Williams Mede, et terram illam que vocatur Benethewe, et unam acram que jacet juxta aquam versus North, ex opposito de Presticoe, et domum illam que fuit Willielmi et Joannis fratrum Hamonis de Blen, et 20 solidos, et 3 denarios, et 3 quadrantes liberi redditus, et 17 gallinas, et liberum exitum et communiam, in pascuis, forinsecis, et cheminiis, et semitis, et aquis ad omnia negotia sua facienda, secundum formam in chartis Hamonis de Blen contentam, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Hiis testibus, Willhelmo de Hobrug, &c."

These are the confirmations of the gifts of Hamo de Blen, by the Earl of Gloucester, *capitalis domini feodi*, and whose consent was required to the alienation of them.

"R. Comes Leſgræ¹, baillivis suis, et omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis, tam presentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis quod ego, pro salute anime mee et Petronille comitisse, uxoris mee, et pro animabus patrum et matrum nostrorum, et antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, dedi et concessi hospitali beate Thome martyris, quod situm est Kantuarie super pontem Eastbrigie, unam marcam argenti in prefectura mea de Leſgræ, ad sustinendos pauperes in predicto hospitali Kantuarie, recipiend' singulis annis ad festum Sancti Michael'. Quare volo et precipio quod predicta domus hospitalis Kantuarie, et fratres ibidem Deo servientes, hanc predictam marcam in liberam, puram, et perpetuam, eleemosynam singulis annis absque omni impedimento ad predictum terminum percipiant. Teste Petronilla comâ: Willo de Wivill, Rogero de Halmo, Willielmo Sanſon, Gileberto de Chernil, Galfrido de Turkitt, Rado Mall, Roberto Wibto, capellano.

King Edward I, by his letters patents under the great seal, confirmed the hospital revenues².

Ex ipso originali.

"Edwardus, Dei gratia, rex Angliæ, dominus Hiberniæ, et dux Aquitaniæ: Omnibus ad quod præſentes literæ pervenerint salutem. Constitutionem et assignationem, quas Willielmus Cokyn, quondam civis Cantuar', fecit per scriptum suum, constituendo et assignando pauperes et infirmos fratres hospitalium Sancti Nicholai, Sanctæ Katerinæ, et Sancti Tho' Martyris de Eastbrigge in Cantuar' quæ simul sunt unita, hæredes suos in perpetuum omnium terrarum et possessionum, et tallorum ipsius Willielmi; et donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem, quas Hamo de Blen, filius Etardi de Creveceur, fecit per chartam suam rectori et fratribus præd' hospit' Sancti Tho' Mart' Cantuar', de terrâ illâ quæ vocatur Nigreth, cum pertinentiis, et de terra illa quæ vocatur William's Med, et de terra illa proxima que vocatur Benetewee, et de una acra quæ jacet juxta aquam versus North ex opposito de Prestecote, et de domo illa quæ fuit Willielmi et Joannis fratrum predicti

¹ Robert earl of Leicester. See Bibl. Top. Brit. N° VII. p. 9.

² Printed in the Monasticon, Vol. II.

Hamonis, et de 20 solidis, et 3 denariis, et 3 quadrantibus, liberi redditus, et de 17 gallinis, solvendis singulis annis prefatis rectori et fratribus per manus diversorum hominum de terris quas idem homines tenent in villa de Blen, sicut prefato Hamoni reddi solebant, cum omni jure de predictis terris et predicto redditu et predictis gallinis, in releviis, casibus, escaetis, in sectis curiarum et omnibus rebus ad prefatum Hamonem et hæredes suos omnibus modis pertinent: Ita quod licitum foret predictis rectori et fratribus tenere curiam suam de predictis hominibus in villa de Blen ubicunque vellent in tenemento suo: Et etiam concessioni quam predictus Hamo fecit per eandem chartam suam eisdem rectori et fratribus de libero exitu et comuniâ in pascuis forensicis et cheminiis, semitis, et aquis in villâ de Blen ad omnia negotia sua facienda: Et similiter donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem quas predictus Hamo de Blen fecit per quandam aliam chartam suam rectori et fratribus predictis de terra illa cum omnibus pertinentiis quæ jacet in tenurâ de Blen inter Nigrethe et Middleditch: Et insuper remissionem et quietam clamantiam, quas Ricardus de Becco, filius Willielmi de Becco, militis, fecit per cartam suam magistro et fratribus hospit' præd' de sex denar' redditus, quos eidem Ricardo de 26 acris terræ cum pertinentiis, quas habuerunt de dono Willielmi de Burnes, annuatim reddere consueverunt: Necnon donationem, et concessionem, quas præd' Ricardus fecit eisdem fratribus per eandem cartam suam de decem acris terræ cum pertinentiis in campo qui vocatur Wappings, et similiter donationem, concessionem, et confirmationem, quas Radulphus filius Arnoldi tinctoris fecit per cartam suam fratribus et sororibus hospit' præd' de terrâ quæ fuit ipsius Radulphi in parochiâ Omnium Sanctorum inter terram quæ fuit Hamonis fratris ipsius Radulphi et aquam Sturys, ratas habentes et gratas eas pro nobis et heredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, magistro et fratribus hospit' præd' et eorum successoribus, concedimus et confirmamus, sicut scriptum et cartæ predictæ rationabiliter testantur. In cujus rei testimonium has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso, apud Cantuar', vicesimo secundo die Februarii, anno regni nostri septimo ¹.

W. SUTTON."

Having thus collected several gifts and charters given to the hospital in the first hundred years after its foundation by Thomas Becket, the first of them beginning about the year 1200; I will now proceed in the following benefactions given to the hospital from the year 1300 to about the year 1500; of which I find the following account.

From the first foundation till the year 1342, there appears no evidence to what intent this hospital was erected by its first founder; neither can there be found any statutes, or rules, by

¹ Viz. R. Edw' I. A° 7°, i. e. A. D. 1279.

which

which this hospital was to be governed. To supply this defect, John Stratford, archbishop of Canterbury, in the year 1342, gave his charter, by which he prescribed laws and a form of government to it, whereby he restored the foundation, and preserved it from that confusion, in which the concerns thereof were ready to be involved for want of such rules and laws of government.

This seemed to be a concern of so great importance, that the commissioners upon the statute of 37 Henry VIII. cap. 4. ascribed the foundation of the hospital to this archbishop. And we may truly say, it was built by Thomas Becket, endowed and augmented by archbishops Hubert Walter and Stephen Langton, and refounded or restored by archbishop Stratford.

I have seen two MS. copies of this ordinance of archbishop Stratford; one of them is in an ancient register belonging to Christ-Church, Canterbury; and the other is among the writings of the hospital: but Mr. Somner having printed it at large in his *Antiquities of Canterbury*, hath spared me the pains of transcribing it.

It begins, “*Joannes permissione divinâ Cantuar’ archiepiscopus, totius Angliæ primas, et apostolicæ sedis legatus. Dilecto in Christo filio domino Rogero de Rondes, presbytero, magistro hospit’ pauperum de Estbregg in civitate Cantuar’ patronatûs nostri, salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem. Et si votivus nostri invalescat affectus,*” &c. (See *Antiquities of Canterbury*, p. 111. &c.) It is dated, “*in capitulo dictæ nostræ Cantuar’ ecclesiæ, xxiii° die mensis Sept. A. D. 1342, et nostræ translationis nono.*”

This charter was confirmed by the prior and chapter, which, because Mr. Somner hath omitted it, I have added :

A. D. 1342. “*Et nos frater Robertus¹, permissione divinâ, prior ecclesiæ Christi Cantuar’ metropolic’ supradict’, et ejusdem loci capitulum, habito primitus cum venerabili patre domino nostro Joanne Dei gratia Cant’ archiepiscopo antedicto solemniter et diligenter, ut præmittitur, tractatu, qui de jure exigitur in appropriatione*

¹ This must be Robert Hathbrand, who succeeded Richard Oxinden in 1338, and died in 1370. See Somner’s *Catalogue of Priors*, *Antiq. of Cant.* p. 290.

concessione, annexione, et unione dicte parochialis ecclesie beati Nicolai de Harbledowne hospitali predicto ac ipsius magistro et successoribus ejusdem in proprios usus factis et causis eorundem, concurrentibusque oib' et singulis que hujusmodi concessionibus perpetuis et ecclesiarum alienationibus requirebantur devenire quoniam in nobis est, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, in perpetuum una cum dicto patre nostro venerabili consentimus; et appropriationem, concessionem, annexionem, et unionem hujusmodi, et prefatas ordinationes hospitalis predicti, approbamus, ratificamus, &c. etiam confirmamus. Salvis nobis et ecclesie nostre predicte juribus, libertatibus, dignitatibus, privilegiis nostris et consuetudinibus quibuscunque. In cujus rei testimonium, sigillum nostrum commune fecimus hiis apponi. Act' et dat' in caplo nostro, die et anno supradictis."

These ordinations continued the standing rules for the government of the hospital, until the time of archbishop Parker, who framed new statutes and ordinations; and they contain also a benefaction done to the hospital by annexing the parish-church (or rectory) of St. Nicholas Harbledown to the same. I have therefore hereto annexed the particular parts of the said charter or ordination; the sum of which is comprehended under these heads.

The statutes, ordinations, and charter, which John Stratford, Archbishop of Canterbury, made for the government of the hospital of Eastbridge.

" 1. As his desire was to take a particular care of such places as are deputed and designed for the reception and relief of poor and miserable persons, and for the increase of divine worship, especially such as were under his tuition and government; above all, his earnest desire was to defend, preserve, and afford necessary relief to the hospital of Eastbridge, founded of old time, and endowed by the blessed and glorious martyr Thomas formerly archbishop of Canterbury, our predecessor, *qui suis venerabilibus opem porrigit*.

" 2. By the petition of Roger de Rondes, then master of the said hospital, it did appear, that the hospital aforesaid was built for the reception and sustentation of poor pilgrims that should come to Canterbury; and that at that time a far greater number of pilgrims than formerly did resort to Canterbury, since the glorious triumph and canonization of the said blessed Saint, the founder thereof.

" 3. By the neglect and fault of some of the masters of the said hospital, the woods belonging thereunto were alienated, or destroyed, with all their possessions, goods and chattels, moveables and immoveables; that great debts were brought upon the said hospital, such as they were unable to discharge; that the edifices of

the said hospital, which before were a fair and goodly building, were suffered to run to ruin, and shamefully to decay; and that the hospital was by these means become so poor, in such a ruinous condition, as neither to be able to repair their ruins, nor to receive and sustain poor pilgrims resorting thither. And that, under the reproach of so great poverty, no man can be found to undertake the care and government of the same as he ought to do.

“ 4. For these reasons, he annexed and united the parish church of St. Nicholas Harbledown for ever to the use of the masters of the said hospital, to be employed for the relief and sustenance of the poor pilgrims that resorted thither; and that the right of the patronage of the said church of St. Nicholas, in Harbledown, should belong to the master of the said hospital, and to his successors for ever.

“ 5. He had lately visited the hospital, and was sufficiently informed of the foresaid defects and decays, both in the edifices and in celebration of divine worship, and in the charitable reception of poor pilgrims; all which appeared from his own view, and from the testimonies of several credible persons upon oath, who were examined according to form of law. He had also a solemn and diligent consultation with his religious sons, the prior and chapter of the church of Canterbury, as is required in granting perpetual alienations of churches by law; and with their consent he granted and annexed the church of St. Nicholas aforesaid.

“ 6. The master of the hospital is appointed to allow a competent maintenance for a priest, who should take care of the souls, and perform divine offices in the said parish church, whom also the said master might put in or turn out at pleasure; and the said master is to bear all charges and burthens belonging to the church aforesaid, out of the profits and revenues of the same.

“ 7. That, for the more orderly government of the hospital, these rules be observed:

“ 1. There shall be one master, who shall be in priests orders, maintained and appointed by the archbishop for the time being; who, within a month after his admission, shall take a full and perfect inventory of all the goods belonging to the hospital, and deliver it to the prior of the church of Canterbury; and who shall, every year between the Feasts of St. Michael and All Saints, deliver to the prior, for the time being, a full and true account of his ministering the goods and revenues of the hospital.

“ 2. The master shall keep with him *facellanus*, a chaplain, in the said hospital, whom he may put in and remove out at pleasure; and the master and chaplain shall constantly celebrate divine service, and such particular masses and offices, as the said ordinations do at large direct and appoint.

“ 3. That all the profits, rents, and revenues of the said hospital, shall be disposed of by the care and appointment of the master.

“ 4. That there shall be no common seal belonging to the hospital.

“ 5. That the poor sick pilgrims, which shall happen to die in the hospital, shall be buried in the church-yard belonging to our church in Canterbury, in the place anciently assigned for that purpose; and that poor pilgrims falling sick in their pilgrimage (if so be they be not leprous) shall be provided for in the hospital.

“ Sic.

" 6. Poor pilgrims in good health shall be entertained only for one night; and poor, sick, and well pilgrims, shall have daily 4d. expended for their sustenance, out of the revenues and profits of the hospital; greater regard should be had to sick than to well pilgrims.

" 7. That if there be not a sufficient resort of pilgrims in any one day to require the whole 4d. for their sustenance, that what is so spared in one day, shall be laid out freely in another day when the number of pilgrims shall be larger; and for every day of the whole year the entire summe of 4d. shall be carefully and faithfully expended.

" 8. That there shall be 12 beds convenient to lodge the pilgrims in the said hospital; and a woman, of honest report, aged above 40 years, who shall take care of the beds, and provide necessaries for the poor pilgrims; and who shall be maintained out of the revenues of the hospital.

" 9. That every master upon his admission shall, before the archbishop, promise upon his oath, that he will observe these ordinances as far as he is able; and that he will not alienate, or destroy, any of the lands, possessions, woods, goods, or other things belonging to the hospital.

" 10. That no admission of a master shall be firm and valid, until he is in priests orders, and hath taken the foresaid oath.

" 11. He reserved to himself and his successors, the archbishops of Canterbury for ever, a full power to add to, or to detract from, or to change, or to amend these ordinations, as they shall from time to time see convenient."

LANDS, &c. GIVEN IN BLEAN.

THE manor of Blean and Hoath-court, is the principal and chiefest revenue that belongs to the hospital. This was given 33 Edward III. to the hospital, by Thomas de Roos de Hamlack, probably the same whose death Walsingham thus mentions in the year 1399:

" Eodem anno dominus Thomas de Roos, dum reverteretur a terrâ sanctâ in insulâ de Cypro, civitate Papho, tactus aeris regionis incommodo, diem clausit extremum."

¹ Somner, p. 111. The Statutes of archbishop Stratford, printed by him, I have compared with the register of Christ-church, Canterbury; and I find these variations. Somner, p. 111. l. 21. lege, "et re-ceptione;" l. 35. "set," lege, "fed."—p. 112. l. 11. "ordinati," lege, "ordinato."—p. 113. l. 18. lege, "per successores nostros."—p. 114. l. 23. lege, "in eo recipiantur,"—l. 27. lege, "peregrinos tamen."—l. 31. "peregrinantes," lege, "peregrinos."—l. 34. dele hæc verba, "præd' ib'm, quod minus diebus præd' est expensum in ampliori receptione subsidiorumque vitæ necessariorum et ministracione pauperum peregrinorum."

Of whom, Mr. Somner adds these further conjectures, that "he dwelt at Chilham Castle; from whence, the year before, his mother Margery, lady Roos, daughter of Bartholomew lord Badlesmere, and widow of William de Roos de Hamlak, who, as a benefactor to the work, hath his name and effigies set up, and pourtrayed in a window of the Chapter-house at Christchurch', dates a charter of hers to the master of this hospital; and at her presentation, as patroness, in the year 1349, the fee of Canterbury being then void, one Osbertus is admitted by the prior and chapter, "*ad liberam capellam beate Mariæ in castro de Chilham*, there personally to serve and officiate, as a perpetual chaplain". The above are Mr. Somner's words.

Charta MARGARETE Domine de Roos.

"Sciunt presentes et futuri, quod nos Margareta domina de Roos tradidimus, concessimus, et dimissimus, totum manerium nostrum de la Bleen, juxta Cantuariam, Thome de Welton, et Roberto de Denton, capellanis, pro quadam summa pecunia nobis, pre manibus, persoluite, per eosdem tenend' et habend' totum predict' manerium nostrum, cum omnibus terris, pasturis, boscis, redditibus, cum servitiis tenentium ad idem manerium pertinentibus, et aliis quibuscunque pertinentiis suis, prefatis Thome et Roberto, heredibus et assignatis suis, ad totum terminum vite nostre, reddendo inde capitalibus dominis feodi illius debita servitia, et consueta. Et nos vero dicta Margareta eisdem Thome et Roberto et assignatis suis totum manerium predictum, cum omnibus et singulis pertinentiis ejus, ad totam vitam nostram, contra omnes gentes warrantizabamus. In cujus rei testimonium, presentibus sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Hiis testibus, Willielmo Saure, Edmundo Stapulgato, Roberto Capyn, Thoma Everard, Joanne Elys, Joanne de Brigge, Henrico de Sturey, et multis aliis. Dat. apud Chilham, 1^o die Julii, anno r. R. Edwardi tertii post conquestum Anglie 32^o. A. D. 1358."

"Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint, Thomas de Roos de Hamelak, salutem in Domino. Cum Robertus de Denton, capellanus, teneat sibi et assignatis suis manerium de la Blen, juxta Cantuar', de hereditate nostra ad totam vitam Margarite matris nostre et suam, ex dimissione matris nostre et confirmatione nostra, quod quidem manerium cum pertinentiis post mortem ipsius matris nostre et predicti Roberti ad nos et heredes nostros reverti debet: Noverit tamen universitas vestra, nos prefatum Thomam de Roos concessisse per presentes

¹ Antiquities of Canterbury, by Somner, p. 118.

² Lib. Eccl. Cant.

quod manerium predictum cum suis pertinentiis, quod idem Robertus sic tenet de hereditate nostra, et quod post mortem ipsius matris nostre et prefati Roberti ad nos et heredes reverti deberet, remaneat Thome Wolton, magistro seu custodi hospitalis Sancti Thome martyris de Eastbrigge, Cantuar', et successoribus suis in perpetuum, in subsidium cantuar' et elemosynar' faciend' in eodem hospitali, secundum ordinationem reverendi in Christo patris domini Simonis Dei gratia Cantuariens' archiepiscopi totius Anglie primatis, pro animabus patris et fratris nostri et omnium antecessorum nostrorum ac animâ matris nre atque nostrâ, cum migraverimus ab hac luce, tenend' de capitalibus dñis feodi p servitia inde debita et consueta. Et nos predictus Thomas de Roos et heredes nostri predictum manerium, cum omnibus et singulis pertinentiis suis, predicto Thome de Wolton, et successoribus suis, contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus in perpetuum. Hiis testibus, Thome Chicche, Radulpho filio Radulphi Sentleger militis, Roberto Vineter, Willo Gervays, Thoma atte Gate, Willo de Estwell, Joanne de Bregge, Joanne de Hoke, et aliis. In cujus rei testimonium, sigillum nostrum presentibus est appensum. Datum apud Maghefeld, 17 die mensis Septembris, 1359, anno r. R. Edwardi tertii post conquestum 33".

There is another charter, the same with this, dated at Westgate, juxta Cant', anno r. R. Edw' tertii 32, primo die Octobris.

The first charter was of Margaret, mother of Thomas de Roos, dated at Chilham, July 1, A. D. 1358.

The second charter was of Thomas de Roos, dated at Westgate, juxta Cantuar', October 1, 1358.

The third charter was of the said Thomas de Roos, the same with the former, dated at Maghefeld, Sept. 17, A. D. 1359.

John the master, and the brethren of the hospital, did grant by lease unto John ate Hatch, an acre and a half of land in Bleen, in a place called Alotes, for ever, on condition to pay yearly to the master of the hospital ten pence at Michaelmas-day, and ten pence at Lady-day, and two hens on Christmas-day. And for default of payment, the master and brethren of the hospital were to re-enter, or to distrain, &c. Dated anno r. R. Edw. filii Edw. 17, A. D. 1324.

They also let unto the same John ate Hatch another piece of land in Blean, called Ullery, on condition to pay yearly to the master and brethren at Lady-day 15d. and at Michaelmas-day 15d. and at Christmas-day two hens. And for default of payment,

ment, distress to be taken, and re-entry, &c. Dated the same year with the former.

The church of SS. Cosmus and Damian, in Blean, was appropriated to the hospital; (see Reg'rum Sudbury, fol. 6.)

"Johannes de la Lee, miles, dedit unum messuagium, 180 acras terre, sex acras prati, sex acras boschi, 27 solidatas redditus, et redditum 9 gallorum et 21 gallinarum, in villâ de Blean, habend' et tenend' predict' messuag' in terras, &c. Thome de Wolton, et successoribus suis mag'ris hosp' de Eastbregge, in Cantuar', ad certa opera pietatis in eodem hospitali p' animabus dñe Isabelle nuper regine Anglie, et matris regis nunc, et aliorum progenitorum suorum, ac meâ, cum ex hac luce migravero, et omnium aliorum benefactorum dicti hospitalis," &c. A. D. 1360.

The witnesses are the same that were witnesses to the charter of Thomas de Roos.

Dat. "apud Cantuar' die Jovis in crastino Sñi Martini; Anno r. R. Edw' tertii post conquestum 34to."

There is another charter, granting the same donations, and dated the same day and place, having the same witnesses; only with this difference; instead of "*Thome de Wolton, et successoribus suis, ad certa opera pietatis,*" are these words, "*Thome de Wolton, magistro hospitalis predict', ad totam vitam suam, et successoribus suis, in augmentum operum pietatis* ¹."

HERNE, RECVLVRE, WALELYVE, WHITSTAPLE, AND CHISTELET.

"ADAM le Heir dedit Tho' Wolton, magro sive custodi hosp' beati Thome martyris de Eastbrigge, omnia tenementa, et terras, et redditus, mariscos, et pasturas, cum omnibus pertinentiis, que et quas nuper perquisivit apud Mekembroke in Herne, habend' et tenend' dicto Thome et successoribus suis magistris sive custodibus hosp' pred' in subsidium sustentationis eorum, et pro uberioribus elemosynis in prefato hosp' occasione possessionum predictarum largiendis. Dat' apud Herne, die Veneris proxime post festum translationis B. Thomæ martyr', anno r. R. Edw' tertii post conquestum 30."

"Adam le Heir, civis Londini, dedit omnia tenementa, et terras, redditus, pasturas, boscos, sepes, et fossatas, que et quas dudum acquisivit in villis de Whitstaple, et

¹ Mr. Somner (Antiq. of Cant. p. 119.) gives an imperfect account of this benefaction, by omitting to mention "the six acres of meadow, and the six acres of wood," which are expressed in the said charter, in both the original writings of it.

Swalclive, cum omnibus pertinentiis, in subsidium sustentationis eorum, et p^{er} uberioribus elemosinis in prefato hosp^{itali} occasione possessionum predictarum largiendis, &c. Datum apud Whitstaple, die et anno supradictis.”

He gave lands also in Reculvre and Chistelet, but the charters by which he granted them are lost. However, the licence of mortmain still remains, and will supply the defects of the lost charters. And for that reason, I have transcribed it at large.

“Edwardus III. Dei gratia, rex Anglie et Francie, et dominus Hibernie, omnibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint, salutem. Licet de communi concilio regni nostri Anglie statutum sit, quod non liceat viris religiosis seu aliis ingredi feodum alterius ita quod ad manum mortuam deveniat sine licentia nostra et capitalis dñi de quo res illa immediate tenetur; tamen p^{er} 10 libris quos Adam le Eyr¹, civis Londin^{ie} nobis solvet, concessimus et licentiam dedimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, eidem Ade, quod ipse centum acras terre, centum acras pasture, et 20 solidatas redditus cum pertinentiis, in Reculvre, Herne, Swalclive, Whitestaple, et Chistelet dare possit et assignare dilectis nobis in Christo magistro et fratribus hospitalis S^{an}cti Thome de Estbrugge, Cantuar^{ie}, habend^{um} et tenend^{um} eis magistro et fratribus et successoribus suis ad inveniend^{um} certas cantarias et elemosinas juxta ordinationem predicti Ade in hac parte faciend^{um} in perpetuum. Et eisdem magistro et fratribus, quod ipsi terram, pasturam, et redditus predict^{os} cum pertinentiis a prefato Adamo recipere possint et tenere sibi et successoribus suis ad inveniend^{um} cantar^{um} et elemosynas pred^{ictas} in perpetuum, sicut predictum est; tenore presentium, similiter licentiam dedimus specialem, statuto predicto nostro obstante. Nolentes quod predictus Adam, vel heredes sui, aut prefati magister et fratres, seu successores sui, ratione statuti predicti per nos vel heredes nostros inde molestantur in aliquo vel graventer. Salvis tamen capitalibus dñis feodi illius servitiis inde debitis et consuetis. In cujus rei testimonium, has litteras nostras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso, apud Novum Castrum super Tynam, 20 die Januarii, 1355, anno regni Anglie 29, r. vero nostri Francie 16.”

“Helena atte Park de Hoth, de parochia de Reculvre, dedit Thome de Wolton, magistro hosp^{itali}, &c. omnia terras et tenementa sua cum patris boscis, &c. Dat. anno 1360, r. R. Edw. tertii 34.”

King Edward III. granted licence of mortmain to John de Mayton, clerk,

“Quod ipse quandam plateam terre cum pertinentiis in Cant^{onia} ordinatam pro tentis sive tentoriis, continent. 17 perticatas terre in latitudine, dare possit sive assignare magistro et pauperibus hospital^{is} S^{an}cti Thome Martyris ad inveniend^{um} et sustentand^{um} annuatim quendam cereum in ecclesiâ Christi Cant^{onia} coram feretro dicti S^{an}cti Thome certis temporibus ardend^{um}, et ad alia pietatis opera p^{er} animabus magistri Edmundi de Londin^{ie}, quondam archid^{ucis} Bedeford, et prefati Joannis, cum ex hac luce migraverit.” Dated “apud Sandwicum, 25 Junii, 1345, anno regni nostri Anglie 19.”

¹ Le Heir in the two former charters.

King Edward also granted licence of mortmain for 40s. to William atte Welle :

“ Quod ipse unum messuagium et 8 acras terre cum pertinentiis in Harboldown, juxta Cant' dare possit vel assignare magistro sive custodi hospit' de Eastbrugge in Cant', et de Harboldown juxta Cant', in auxilium sustentationis cujusdem capellani divina singulis diebus in ecclesiâ dict' hospit' de Harboldown pro salutari statu ipsius Wilfridi dum vixerit, et pro anima sua cum ex hac luce migraverit, et pro animabus omnium benefactorum dictorum hospitalium, et omnium fidelium defunctorum,” &c. Dated “ apud Westm', 22 Jan', anno regni 35.”

The same king seized upon 40 acres of land in Cockerings, belonging to the hospital, on pretence that the said lands were appropriated to the use of the hospital after the statute of mortmain; but it did appear that all the said lands were given before that statute, except five acres and one rood, which Walter le Tanner gave after the said statute. Letters to William Trussel, escheator, were directed, and dated *apud Turrym London', Maii 3, anno regni 11^o, 1337.*

Acquietantia facta dño Thome de Wolton, magistro seu custodi hospit' de Eastbrugge Cantuar', de compoto administrationis sue facto in bonis pred' hospitalis. Ex registro ecclesie Christi Cant', K. fol. 73.

“ Nos Robertus ¹, permissione divina, prior ecclesie Christe Cant', omnibus presentes iras inspecturis, salutem in Dño sempiternam. Cum ad priorem dicte ecclesie pertineat auditio compoti magri seu custodis hospitalis B. Thome de Eastbrugge, in civitate Cant', qui p tempore fuerit, p ordinationem bone memorie dñi Johannis de Stratford, nuper Cant' archiep'i ²; et dñus Thomas de Wolton, magr seu custos hospitalis pred', se sufficienter obtulerit ad reddendum nobis compotum administrationis sue in bonis prefati hospitalis; nos sufficienter didiscimus quod ipse pauperibus ad id confluentibus hospitalitatem, capellanis etiam et ministris aliis requisita in eodem necessaria, ministravit, novas construxit domos, et reparavit collapsas, possessionesque ejusdem hospitalis in presens redditibus in bonis aliis notorie et modo ex bonis aliis, ut firmiter credimus, quam ipsius hospitalis ampliavit, et conatur in dies, ut asseritur, ampliare: Non curavimus ipsius audire compotum quem in premissis eidem hospitali tam utiliter intelleximus providentem, sed ut eum excitemur ad similia in futuris temporibus promptius facienda, ipsum custodem, quantum possumus, ab ulteriori compoto dicte sue administrationis p tempore transacto quietamus per presentes. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum fecimus hiis apponi. Dat. Cant', primo die mens' Nov', A. D. 1367.”

¹ Robert Hathbrand.

² See above, p. 330.

Of the CHANTRIES, removed from LIVINGSBORN, alias BEAKSBORN, to the Hospital.

Mr. Somner gives this short account of it; "with leave and liking of archbishop Langham¹, a certain chantry in the church of Livingborn, that is Beaksborn, founded in the year 1314, by one James of Bourn [i. e. Livingborn], with the revenues of the same, was translated to this hospital by one Bartholomew of Bourn."

And in his Appendix to his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 16. he hath set down at length the foundation of the chantry of Eastbridge, as follows:

"Sancte Matris ecclesie filiis universis," &c.

The instrument was made by Simon, "archbishop," who says, that "he had seen the letters patent of his predecessor, Simon de Islip," "nuper archiep," &c. He then relates the causes of the foundation, "ad honorem Dei, cultusque divini, et pro salute animarum quorundam benefactorum ipsius hosp', et omnium fidelium defunctorum."

"He appoints the salary to be ten marks.

"He enjoins daily celebration of divine service, and care to be taken of administering "sacramenta et sacramentalia" to the poor pilgrims that resort thither.

"He appoints a chamber for the chanter within the hospital, to be kept in repair at his own charge.

"King Edward (viz. the Third) gave the messuage in the city, which is called "La Chaunge," to the hospital, to help them to sustain a chaplain to pray for him, and for the soul of his dearest mother Isabella, deceased.

"The Change being, at the time when it was given, much out of repair, it was put in good repair by the executors of Simon Islip, and the rent of it was raised to 7 marks a year.

"That it was hard to find a good and worthy chaplain to perform daily offices for 10 marks a year; and that the gift of king Edward had been hitherto frustrated; he, therefore, with the consent of Thomas Wolton, then master, did increase the former salary of ten marks a year, by adding 5 marks and a half yearly out of the rent of the Change, to the salary of the chaplain.

"That whereas the chantry in Bourn was united to the chantry of the hospital, by his predecessor; and whereas, before the union, the presentation of the chantry

¹ This foundation-instrument was not made by Simon Langham, who was archbishop 1366, but by Simon Sudbury, who was archbishop 1375, and, according to the date of the instrument, was that same year translated from London to Canterbury, so that Mr. Somner is mistaken in saying, that "archbishop Langham gave leave to remove the chantry from Bourn to the hospital."

of Bourn did belong to Bartholomew of Bourn, and his heirs and assigns; he did appoint and ordain, that the archbishop for the time being, or the prior and chapter of Canterbury, *sede vacante*, and Bartholomew of Bourne, his heirs and assigns, should collate and present to the same by turns; and that the next turn did belong to the archbishop, the present chaplain being nominated and presented by Bartholomew of Bourn.

“ That the chaplain, before his admission, should make oath to observe the rules of the chantry, &c.

“ Dated at Wingham, xv kal. Nov. A. D. 1375, et translationis nostre anno primo.

“ Sciant presentes et futuri, quod ego Bartholomeus de Bourn patron' cujusdem Cantarie perpetue quam Jacobus de Burne progenitor meus fundavit in ecclesiâ de Livingeburn, et doravit de uno messuagio, viginti quatuor acris terre arabilis, et dimidia marca annui redditus, ibidem ex certis causis salutem anime ejus, mee, et progenitorum meorum concernentibus, alibi in ordinatione quadam venerabilis patris domini Simonis ¹ Dei gratia Cantuar' archiep'i, totius Anglie primatis, et aplice sedis legati, plenius expressatis, dedi et concessi, et hâc presenti mea charta confirmavi, eidem venerabili patri patronatus ejusdem Cantarie alternis vicibus vacationes Cantarie dicte, habend' et tenend' eundem patronatum alternis vicibus vacatione ipsius predicto venerabili patri et successoribus suis in perpetuum. Ita quod collatio ipsius Cantarie ad dictum reverendum patrem et successores ejus in proximâ vacatione ejus pertineat, et sic alternis vicibus pertinebit in futurum. Ita quod sacerdos quilibet, cui sic illa Cantaria per ipsum patrem reverendum aut successores suos conferatur, sive sacerdos fuerit presentand' per me, heredes et assignatos meos, nostris alternis vicibus celebret in hospitali de Eastbrugg Cantuarie, qui etiam sacerdos percipiet in eo sex marcas per ordinationem dicti patris ultra valorem dicte dotis quam dictam Cantariam de consensu meo dictus pater adunabit et incorporabit in perpetuo, eamque, quantum in me est, aduno et incorpero dicto hospitali causa exilitatis ipsius dotis, prout in ordinatione dicti patris plenius continetur. Reddet insuper dictus sacerdos, aut magister dicti hospitalis pro eo, mihi, heredibus et assignatis meis, in festo S^{ti} Michaelis in perpetuum apud Burne unum par calcarium, vel sex denarios pro eisdem, pro quibus mihi et eis licebit destringere super terras dicte Cantarie apud Burne. Et ego predictus Bartholomeus, heredes et assignati mei, dictum patronatum alternis vicibus, ut dictum est, eidem patri et suis successoribus warantazibumus in perpetuum. In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti charte sigillum meum apposui. Datum apud Levingesborne, die Dominica proxima post festum purificationis beate Marie, anno r. R. Edw' tertii a conquestu 37. Hiis testibus, Johanne Brode, Martino Petit, Reg' Digge, Rogero Faulkham, Thoma de Garwinton, Thomas Bolle, Joanne Bolle, et aliis.”

“ Omnibus S^{te} Matris eccle filijs ad quos presentes littere, sive presens transcriptum, pervenerint, Willielmus Hunden commissarius Cantuar' generalis salutem in Dⁿⁱ Salvatore. Quum p discretum virum Thomam Bultire Capellanum Cantarie

¹ Simon Islip.

perpetue beate Marie in hospitali S^{ti} Thome Martyris juxta Estbrugge Cantuar' fundate nobis in capella dicti hosp' pro tribunali sedentibus fuit cum instantia non modica supplicatum, ut cum ipse dominus Thomas quasdam litteras originales sigillatas re' me' ¹ Simonis Illip et Simonis Sudbury dudum eccl^e Cant' archiepiscoporum, nec non Roberti quondam dicte eccl^e prioris et ejusdem loci capituli sigillatas, ipsum dominum Thoma mratione Cantarie predicte concernentes, quas non habuit, ut asseruit, duplicatas necesse habeat in diversis mundi partibus et non modice distantibus, pro jure ipsius domini Thome ac Cantarie sue predicte porsequend' et conservand' alias ut dixit destinare, presentare et exhibere, que quidem littere possent, dum sit pro earum destinatione, presentatione, vel exhibitione pertarentur, sive transferentur, propter viarum discrimina et maris periculum, et alios adversos et diversos casus qui frequenter accidunt, seu veresimiliter contingere poterunt, deperire; aut ipse dominus Thomas, propter dictam litterarum seu munitamentorum difficilem seu forsan impossibilem exhibitionem simul et semel in diversis mundi partibus et multum distantibus ut prefertur faciend' periculum incurrere n̄ modicum et gravamen quatenus predictas litteras, et eam sigilla eisdem apposita inspicere, et ea sic p nos primitus inspecta postea auctoritate nostra per notarium infra scriptum transumi, exemplari, subserbi, et in publicam formam redigi, precipere et mandare, ut ex hoc tanta fides presentibus litteris nostris sive transcripto ubi libet adhibeatur, sicut litteris originalibus antedictis et tantam auctoritatem faciant, sicut littere originales predicte curaremus. Quarum quidem litterarum originalium tenores sequuntur in hiis verbis:

“ Simon, permissione divina, Cantuariens' archiep', totius Anglie primas et aplice sedis legatus, universis presentes litteras inspecturis salutem in omnium Salvatore. Significavit nobis dominus Bartholomeus de Bourne, clericus, patronus cujusdem Cantarie in eccl^a parochiali de Levyngeburn quod quidam Jacobus de Bourn progenitor suus ipsam Cantariam fundaverit de consensu domini regis et eorum quorum interfuit, et dotaverat eam de una mansione 24 acris terre arabilis et dimidia marca annui redditus in villa de Bourne, quorum verus valor ad 4 marcas vix ascendit annuatim, reservando sibi, heredibus et assignatis suis, ex dote illa unum par calcarium, vel sex denarios annui redditus pro eisdem a sacerdote ipsius Cantarie, de quo quidem annuo redditu mansio et terre predicte retroactis temporibus fuerant onorate, et quod modernis temporibus sacerdotem ydoneum reperire non potest, qui eidem Cantarie tam exiliter dotate velit deservire in dicta eccl^a juxta mentem prefati fundatoris. Supplicavit igitur nobis quod ipsam Cantariam cum dote sua predicta que adjacet terris hospitalis de Estbreg Cantuar' in prefata villa de Bourne eidem hospitali adunare, annectere, et incorporare dignaremur, de consensu suo, ipsamque dotem augmentare in eodem hospitali ad victum unius sacerdotis competentem, qui posset in eo, ut minister loci, continuo ministrare ad Dei laudem et requiem animarum subscriptarum, viz. domine Isabelle nuper regine Anglie, Jacobi predicti fundatoris, Joannis filii Eustachii de Bourne, domine Margarete de Bourne, progenitorum dicti domini Bartholomei, domini Roberti de Burbach, et Willielmi de Bradele, nec non pro salute dñi nostri regis, nostra, dñi Joannis de la Lee,

¹ Reverende memorie.

domini Eustachii de Ambrithcourt, et consortis sue, dñi Thome de Wolton, Willm̃i de Coppeclyne, et Ricardi de Wodeland, et omnium benefactorum dicti hospit' et animabus nostris, cum migraverimus ab hâc luce. Et ut hoc libentius et securius faceremus, dedit nobis et successoribus nostris in perpetuum per factum sufficiens patronatum ipsius Cantarie alternis vicibus vacationis ejusdem, ita quod ea jam in principio conferamus, reservando sibi, et heredibus suis et assignatis, presentationem ad eam in secunda vacatione ejus, et sic in alternis vacationibus ejusdem in futurum, volens quod de morâ, modo ministrandi, stipendio sacerdotis, dictæ Cantuarie, quam in dicto hospitali concessit fore perpetuum, nec non de aliis quibuscunque in hac parte necessariis seu opportunis, nostrâ autoritate, prout nobis visum fuit, ordinemus. Nos autem ex ea exilitate predicta et pro numero ministrorum in dicto hospitalis augmentando ad majorem Dei laudem et ob predictarum animarum medelam, supplicationi dicti domini Bartholomei favorabiliter inclinati, dictam Cantariam ad dictum hospitale de consensu ejus expresso auctoritate nostra ordinaria transferrimus, ipsamque, cum tota suâ dote predicta, et omnibus ejus pertinentiis, eidem hospitali perpetuo aduniamus, annectimus, et incorporamus. Volentes et ordinantes quod sacerdos qui deserviet eidem Cantarie (quam in isto hospitali volumus esse perpetuam, et Cantariam de Beatâ Virgine nominari) a magistro seu custode ipsius hospitalis, qui pro tempore fuerit, ultra iv marcas ad quas annuus valor dictæ dotis dicitur ascendere, de quâ dote disponet liberè ipse custos seu magister, sicut de possessionibus aliis ipsius hospitalis, de magistro dicti hospitalis bonisque et proventibus ejusdem sex marcas percipiet annuatim, quarum sex marcarum annuatim solvendarum ad terminos infra scriptos, omnibus ejusdem magistro hospitali, de consensu magistri ipsius expresso, etiam auctoritate nostra ordinaria in perpetuum ex causis predictis imponimus, ut sic sacerdos ipse in dicto hospitali secundum presentem ordinationem deserviens, in futuro decem marcas habeat pro victu suo competenti sibi ad festa Natalis domini, Pasche, nativitatis S̃i Joannis Baptiste et S̃i Michis, equalibus portionibus solvend' annuatim in capella dicti hospitalis, et si forte item mag̃er sive custos aliquo dictorum festorum in solutione hujusmodi deficiat in posterum, vel in parte, vel in toto, de consensu mag̃i auctoritateque nostra predictâ licere volumus eidem sacerdoti super omnibus terris de dote dictæ Cantarie apud Bourne, et in omnibus aliis terris et tenementis adquisitis et appropriatis dicto hospit' de novo in villa de Hern apud Mekynbrook, et Akermel, per Adam le Eyer, que jam ad firmam dimittuntur pro decem libris, et in omnibus aliis terris et tenementis adquisitis eidem hospitali, similiter de novo apud le Blean, juxta Cantuariam, de domina de Roos, et de domino Thoma filio ejus, per Thomam de Wolton, nunc custodem ejusdem hospitalis, que ad firmam consueverunt tradi pro x marcis, libere distringere et distrinções retinere, quousque sibi de areragiis debi:è fuerit satisfactum. Celebrabit autem ipse sacerdos cotidie per se, vel alium capellarum, vel saltem quinquies singulis septimanis, in superiori vel inferiori capella prefati hospitalis, hora competenti, prout mag̃r seu custos ejusdem hospitalis imponet ei, et in aliis officiis divinis, si cum nota dicantur per alios ipsius hospitalis ministros, presens erit cum illis per se aut alium scientem competenter legere et cantare, adjutor sedulus et devotus Dei celebrius persolvendas. Exceptis duntaxat annuatim festo S̃i Michis, sexto die hebdomade Natalis Dñi, 4to die hebdomade, Pentecost

Pentecost, ac festo S^{ti} Petri apli, in quibus per se vel alium in dicta eccla de Bourne missam celebrabit, morabitur etiam ipse sacerdos personaliter et continuè in civitate Cantuar' aut ejus suburbio, et non absentabit se ab ea per spatium unius diei continue, nisi de licentia magri dicti hospitalis, seu tenentis locum ejus. Proviso semper quod in ejus absentia faciat dictæ Cantuar' in dicto hospitali in forma supradicta honestè deserviri, obediet etiam prefato hospitalis magro, et tenenti locum ejus, in ipsius absentia, in licitis et honestis. Non autem tenetur ipse magr sacerdotem hujusmodi ad mensam suam nec ad moram in hospitali recipere, nisi quatenus sibi videbitur expedire. Solvet preterea predictus sacerdos de suo predicto salario dicto domino Bartho, et heredibus et assignatis suis, dictum par calcarium, vel sex denarios pro eisdem apud Bourne in festo S^{ti} Michis annuatim prout in fundatione ipsius Cantarie, ut prins, fuerit ordinatum, pro quibus ipse et ipsi distingere poterunt apud Bourne super terris de dote primaria ipsius Cantarie. Et si forte magr hospitalis, qui terras ipsas tenebit, per distractiones hujusmodi calcaria aut sex denarios pro eisdem cogatur solvere, deducat ipse magr ipsos sex denarios de dicto salario ejusdem sacerdotis. Quilibet insuper sacerdos ad dictam Cantariam in posterum assumendus in institutione sua, seu saltem antequam corporalem possessionem ejus assequatur, jurare tenebitur ad sancta Dei evangelia, quod istam ordinationem, quatenus ad eum attinebit, cessante impedimento legitimo, plenè per omnia observabit. Alioquin sit ipsius Cantarie possessor minus canonicus seu injustus, nec tenebitur sibi magister dicti hospit' quicquam pro victu suo solvere de dicta summa quousque coram nobis, aut nostris successoribus, nostro aut eorum commissario ad hoc specialiter deputato, prefatum prestitent juramentum; possessionem autem ipsius Cantarie dicto sacerdoti semper tradi et assignari volumus auctoritate nostra et successorum nostrorum in inferiori capella dicti hospitalis per manualementem apprehensionem hostii seu altaris ejusdem, postquam predictum prestii juramentum, de quâ prestatione magro loci per literas nostras et successorum nostrorum, aut alias certitudinalitates innotescat, antequam ei quicquam teneatur solvere de summa memorata. In cujus rei testimonium, sigillum nostrum his apponi fecimus. Datum apud Mayherfeld, sexto kalendas Martii, A. D. M.CCC^o.LXII. et nostre consecrationis quarto decimo."

" Omnibus Sancte Matris ecclæ filiis, ad quos presentes littere pervenerint, Robertus ¹ permissione divina prior ecclæ Christi Cantuar' et ejusdem loci capitulum salutem in Christo. Litteras venerabilis patris dñi Simonis Dei gratia, Cantuariens', archiep'i, totius Angliæ primatis, et aplice sedis legati, non obilitas, non cancellatas, nec in aliqua sua parte vitiatas, inspeximus, tenorem qui sequitur continentes. Simon, permissione divina, &c. ut supra, utque ibi et nostre consecrationis XIII^{to}. Nos vero hujusmodi donationem et assignationem, quantum in nobis est, approbantes, ad Cantariam predictam perpetuo (ut premittitur) custodiend' nostram auctoritatem et consensum tenore presentium impartimur, jure et dignitate ecclæ nostre Cantuar' in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum hiis litteris apponi fecimus dat' in capto nostro 26 die mensis Septemb', anno supradicto.

¹ Robert Hathbrand.

"Sancte matris eccle filiis universis, ad quos presentes litere pervenerint Simon, permissione divina Cantuar' archieps." &c.

as in Mr. Somner's Appendix to his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 16. is printed at large.

"Nos igitur commissarius antedictus, supplicationibus dicti domini Thome nobis (ut premititur) factis inclinantes, et annuentes, dictas lras originales ac eorum sigilla eis, ut prefertur, apposita palpavimus, inspeximus et examinavimus diligenter; et quoniam prefatas lras, non ratas, non abollitas, non cancellatas, nec in aliqua parte earum vitiatas, sed oī vicio et suspitione sinistris carentes invenimus, ne dicto domino Thome propter pericula seu causas predictas, seu aliquem eorundem, damnum vel prejudicium aliquod in posterum generetur, ad omnem juris effectum qui inde sequi poterit, vel in casu verisimiliter debebit autoritate nostra prefatas lras originales publicavimus, et tantum fidens presentibus literis nostris sive transcripto sicut predictis lris originalibus in quantum de jure potuimus ubilibet adhibendum fore decrevimus per magrū Adam Body, publicum aplica autoritate notarium, subscriptum transumi, exemplari, subscribi, et in hanc presentem formam redigi, et ejus signo consueto signari mandavimus et fecimus, ac sigilli officii nostri, viz. commissariatus Cantuar' generalis fecimus appensione muniri. Dat' et act' ut premititur, per nos commissarium antedictum in capella antedicta primo die mensis Decembr', A. D. 1397. Indicatione sexta pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Bonifacii divina providentia pape IXⁱ anno nono; presentibus discretis viris Thome Bourne, clerico, et Ricardo Fish literato, Cantuar' dioces', testibus ad premissa vocatis et specialiter rogatis.

"Et ego, Adam Body, clicus, Sarum dioces' publicus apostolica autoritate notarius, predictarum lrarum, exhibitioni, inspexioni, examinationi, et publicationi, ceterisque omnibus et singulis, dum sic ut premititur agerentur et fierent sub anno indict' pontific' mens' die et loco supradictis, unā cum testibus antedictis, presens interfui, eaque sic vidi fieri et audiri, presentes scripsi, et in hanc presentem formam redegī, signoque¹ et nomine meis solitis et consuetis signavi, rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium permissorum².

¹ See his mark in plate VI. fig. 10.

² Somner, p. 403. l. 18. una, lege, unam. l. 22. ejusque, lege, cujusque. l. 29. predictas, lege, predictas. p. 403. l. 5. fuerit per se, lege, fuerit in eodem per se. l. 18. ipsius, lege, suis. l. 19. celebranti, lege, celebratori. l. 31. ascendit, lege, ascendet. p. 404. l. 29. jurabit quilibet, lege, jurabit insuper quilibet. l. 33. sint, lege, sit.

"I compared the above written charters with a fair copy of them in the Register of Canterbury; as also with Mr. Somner's book, p. 402, &c. where one of the charters is printed; and they do agree, only the above named various lections in Mr. Somner's book are to be corrected out of the same Register, viz. Registrum R.—NIC. BATTELY."

OF BLEAN;

Archdeacon Harpsfield's Visitation made this return, A. D. 1557.

"Cosm' et Dam' de Blean. Rectoria impropriat' m̃gro Wilto Swarder."

"Vicar', Dr. Georgius Higges. Familia, 30. Communicantes, 94."

Out of the Archdeacon's black book.

"Taxacio dioc' Cantuar'. Ecclesia Cosmi et Dami, 6s.

"Temporalia Hospitalis de Estbregge, in Cant', Lyvyngborn et Mounketon,
"VIII. IXs. VIIIId.

"Bulla de denariis S̃ti Petri p̃ Gregorium papam de ecclia de Blen, XIIId."

King Edward the Third proved a royal benefactor, by giving a messuage, called *la Chaunge*, as appears from the foundation of the chantry, by the charter of the archbishop Simon Sudbury, in which are these words:

"Dominus noster excellentissimus dñus Edwardus rex Anglie et Francie illustris qui nunc est quoddam messuagium suum in civitat' Cant' situm, la Chaunge vulgariter nuncupatum, in magna parte tempore donationis ejusdem collapsum ex pia donatione sua domino Thome Newe de Wolton, nunc magro pred' hospit' ad terminum vite sue donavit, ita quod post mortem suam ipsum messuagium successoribus ipsius, magris viz. hospit' predict' remaneret in perpetuum in auxilium sustentationis unius capellani perpetui," &c.

Concerning the Change, I refer myself to Mr. Somner, and to an abstract he hath transcribed out of the book belonging to the hospital. I have seen the original records which he cites concerning this matter, in his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 63, and p. 64.

The foundation of Harbledown chantry was first by archbishop William Wittlesey, "4to nonas Feb. A. D. 1371, et translationis 4to," altered and amended by Thomas Arundel, archbishop, "18 of May, anno 1402, et translationis sexto." The whole is set down at large by Mr. Somner, in his Appendix to his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 10..

¹ See Somner, p. 17.

Litera missa dño archiepo de Iris confirmatoriis eccliarum de Stratford et Sñi Nic' de Harboldown eidem per nos transmissi :

“ Ad tanti patris bene placita paratum obsequium cum òi reverentia et honore: Pater et dñe reverende, Iras confirmatorias ordinationis vñe super cantaria in ecclia de Stratford, ac Iras confirmatorias appropriationis ecclie Sñi Nic' de Harboldown, hospitali vño Sñi Thome de Eastbridge, p vos facte sigillo capitulo consignatas p magrum J. de Wymbue latorem presentium vobis mitto, &c. Dated in the year 1342.” Copia vera ex regro ecclie Christi Cant', p me, Nic' Battely.

The parsonage of Blean being assigned and confirmed *in proprios usus* to the hospital, Mr. Somner says, “ Archbishop Islip afterwards, induced by many reasons, founds a perpetual vicarage there, indowing it in such wise, as the charter thereof demonstrates.”

Here Mr. Somner is under a mistake; for it was not Simon Islip, but Simon Sudbury, who founded this vicarage, as appears from the date of the instrument, which was in August, A. D. 1375, “ et translationis primo.” The same year that he founded the chantry in the hospital, which was not done, as Mr. Somner says, “ by Simon Langham,” but “ by Simon Sudbury.”

The instrument is set down at large by Mr. Somner, in his Appendix to his Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 10, which instrument contains,

“ 1. The cause of the foundation,” viz. “ Because the church of Blean was appropriated to the hospital, and was distant from the hospital above a mile, &c.

“ 2. The endowment of the vicarage,” viz. “ A mansion-house, erected by Thomas Newe, master of the hospital, the tithes and oblations under-written, which amount to 10l. a year or more: i. e. decime prediales apud Natyngden¹, due of old to the hospital, to the clear value of 5 marks; the predial tithes of Blean, except the lands belonging to the hospital, &c. also the tithes of calves, lambs, geese, flax, wool, milk, cheese, hay, herbage, woods, &c. and all oblations in the said parish, except from Hoth-court, &c.

“ 3. The burthens of the vicarage. To repair the chancel at his own cost and charge, from time to time, and his own dwelling house. And to pray for the health of Simon the Archbishop, and Thomas Newe, Master of the hospital, while they live, and for their souls after they are deceased, and for the souls of Thomas

¹ Nackington. This portion of tithes is still paid to the vicar of Blean.

de Roos, a great benefactor to the hospital, and Beatrix his wife, and of Eustachius de Dapheckecourt and his wife, who have been great benefactors to the hospital: and to provide wine and bread, and candles, necessary to celebrate in the said church, at his own cost and charges.

"4. Continual residence, and obedience to the master in lawful things, is required of the vicar.

"Dated at Otteford, 3^o nonas Augusti, A. D. 1375, et translat' anno primo."

"Universis S^{te} Mattis eccl^e filiis Hamo de Blen, filius Etardi de Crevequer, salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse et concessisse, et hac presenti cartâ meâ confirmasse, intuitu Dei et Beate Marie et gloriosi martyris Thome et sanctorum martyrum Colmi et Damiani, pro salute anime mee, et pro animabus parentum meorum, et uxoris mee, et Joannis fratris mei, rectori eccl^e sanctorum Cosmi et Damiani de Blen, et fratribus hospitalis S^{ti} Thome martyris de Eastbrig in Cantuaria, totum messuagium cum pertinentiis quod fuit Lefwini sacerdotis, persone ejusdem eccl^e, et quod postea fuit archidi de Petters, persone ejusdem eccl^e; et quod postea fuit Willielmi de Crevequer, persone ejusdem eccl^e, et unam acram terre que jacet versus North, juxta aquam ex opposito de Prestecote, et extendit se in longitudine sua a capite nemoris mei juxta novum cursum aque quem Wlwardus fecit usque ad cheminum per quod itur ab eccl^a Sanctorum Martyrum Cosmi et Damiani usque ad Cantuariam, et tres denarios liberi redditus mei quos Wlwardus tegulator solebat michi reddere de terra juxta aquam de Prestecote, et de terra supra nemus meum versus Est de Prestecote, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ego et heredes mei garantizabimus pariter et defendemus predictum messuagium et predictam terram et predictum redditum, sicut prenotatum est, in omnibus et de omnibus contra omnes homines et omnes feminas. Et ut hec mea donatio et concessio et confirmatio stabilis permaneat in eternum et firma, presentem cartam meam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, magistro Henrico de Sandford, archido Cant', magro Thomâ de Fracham offic' Cant', m^{ro} W'mo Curtys, decano Cant', Hugone persona de Tanterdene, Baldrico Capellano, Simone le Scot, Willmo de Cluse, Salomone de Fraxino, Lambino de Fonte, Hamano de Bosco, Gilberto de Blen, Galfrido de Blen, Wlwardo Tegulario, et multis aliis."

This charter was dated before the year 1227, in archbishop Langton's time, when Sandford was archdeacon, and William Curtis official.

The parsonage thus given to the hospital, the vicarage was afterward founded, as before.

* Reg. Sudbury, fol. 66. in the Lambeth MSS.

At Milkhouse Street, in this parish, was built, a little before the general suppression of religious houses, a free chapel (now in ruins) dedicated to the Holy Trinity, to which were given lands for its endowment, which were valued at its demolition, at 84l. 7s. 10¹/₂d. per annum, which lands were granted to Sir John Baker of Sisenhurst. Ducarel's Repertory, from MS. Lewis.

“ Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego, Simon de Blen, dedi et concessi, et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi, intuitu Dei et Beate Marie et Sanctorum martyrum Cosmi et Damiani, et pro salute anime mee et uxoris mee Godelef, et pro animabus patris mei Roberti et matris mee Reynild, et Wlwardi, et Brigthere Siwardi, Randwisi, et Bartholomei, et omnium parentum meorum et successorum, in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosynam, capellano ministranti in ecclâ Sanctorum Cosmi et Damiani de Blen, 14 denarios liberi redditus mei quos Willmus de la Beche et heredes sui solvent eidem capellano pro una acra terre, et unâ hameleth, cum pertinentiis, quas tenet de me in villa de Blen, que jacet inter terram meam et terram ejusdem Willi, ad duos terminos, sc’ ad annunciation’ dominican’ 7d. et ad fest’ S’i Mich 7d. Et ego Simon et heredes mei warrantizabimus et defendemus eidem capellano celebranti missas pro animabus nostris predictum redditum contra omnes homines et feminas in perpetuum; et ut hec mea donatio et concessio, et confirmatio et warrantizatio et defensio, firma sit in perpetuum et stabilis, presentem cartam sigilli mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibus, Domino Radulpho celerari, Philippo thesaurario, Samsone Grevethario, monachis, Dominis Waltero et Roberto sacerdotibus, Ricardo Senescallo, Willielmo de Cluse, Lambino de Blen, Salamone, Willo de Fraxino, Roberto Lupo, et multis aliis.”

By the witnesses this is about the same date with the former, that is, about Archbishop Langton’s time, A. D. 1222.

Vicars of St. COSMUS and DAMIAN in the BLEAN ;
communicated by Mr. DELASAUX.

- 1560. THOMAS MAKARIDE.
- 1569. JOHN COWPER.
- 1586. NICHOLAS SIMPSON, M. A.
- 1609. WILLIAM THURGAR, M. A.
- 1632. STEPHEN SACKETT.
- 1679. SIMON LOWTH ‘, M. A.

‘ Rector of Harbledown, 1670, and lessee of the tithes of the hospital, 1682. See the History of that Hospital, pp. 182. and 186.

“ Simon Lowth, vicar of this church, received the king’s letters patent for the deanery of Rochester, in November, 1688. He took the degree of D. D. at Cambridge, on the 18th day of January [ensuing] in the same year. The expulsion of king James II. from his kingdom, and the accession of the new king William to his throne, have prevented his being installed, till the present 29th day of March, 1689, and perhaps he never will.

“ At the beginning of August, in the same year, Simon Lowth above-mentioned was suspended from his priestly function for refusing to swear faith and true allegiance to king William and queen Mary.

“ In

" In the month of February following, he was for the same reason deprived; and of his restoration he remains doubtful and uncertain to this present day of April, 1690.

" Though the above mentioned Dr. Simon Lowth, vicar of this church, refused to swear allegiance to king William and queen Mary, yet, after James II. had abdicated his kingdom, and gone to France (with his queen and their son), who gave him royal letters patent for the deanry of Rochester, and after William ascended the throne, and was crowned king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Dr. Simon Lowth, the above-named vicar, prayed publickly, in his church of St. Cosmus and Damian in the Blean, for William and his wife Mary, as king and queen of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, according to the form of prayer prescribed in the Liturgy, or book of Common Prayer, for the king: he prayed not only in general (as mentioned above) for the king and queen, but expressly named king William and queen Mar^y, and used all that form for them, from beginning to end, not once only, but on every Sunday, till king William gave his royal letters for the deanery of Rochester to another doctor in divinity. And when that other doctor was instituted and inducted dean of Rochester, at length and not before, he refused both to pray and swear faith and allegiance to king William. And when I myself asked him, after he was suspended and deprived, whether he had ever publickly prayed for William as king of England, &c. and had used the form in the book of Common Prayer for the king and queen, he owned that he had so prayed; and when I again asked him, why therefore he refused to take the oaths of faith and allegiance to the king's majesty? he answered, in this very house, the first time that I saw him, "An oath is a sacred thing." I replied, "Public prayer is also a sacred thing. As you have confessed in your prayer that William is king of England, &c. you owe him allegiance. As between the regal power and the subjects allegiance there is a transcendent relation, and the one, namely, the regal power, being placed and acknowledged in William, the other necessarily follows, namely, the allegiance due to him; and unless you would act inconsistently, you are bound to swear faith to him. If you act otherwise, your hearers will think you guilty of hypocrisy and the utmost dissimulation, as you had styled William king in your prayers, yet have refused to swear the subjection due to the king, and will judge that you did not believe William to be king, though you had confessed him to be king in a public prayer offered to the omniscient God, but intended king James the II^d, which is most absurd." I therefore advised him to remain in his house, and to keep his church, by praying, as he had been accustomed, for king William, and by taking the oath of fidelity due to him, &c. At that time I had the great seal appending to a presentation to this church, which I exhibited to him; nevertheless, I told him, that I would not use it, not doubting that God would provide for me and my family. If he would remain there and qualify himself, I wished him the utmost happiness in this church. But he said, that he would never take the oath of allegiance to king William; and if I should refuse to take this church, without doubt another would take it; he therefore advised me to accept it, and to suffer him to remain with his family in this house till Easter, and that I would sub-

1690. JAMES WILLIAMSON', M. A.

scribe the sequestrator's account, and acquit him of all the tithes collected in the two preceding years allowed him ; which I willingly promised him, and afterwards did, not doubting that he had paid the curate, who supplied his place, out of the tithes, for those two years while he was suspended and deprived, and also the tenths due to the archbishop, and all the procurations due to the archdeacon. But I was circumvented ; for after I had subscribed the sequestrator's account, and was inducted into this church, on the 24th of March, 1690, the curate, Mr. Thomas, junior, school-master of Sandwich, made me pay fifteen pounds due to him, which the sequestrator Whyt, or the vicar South, was bound to pay him, if I had not subscribed that account, which mentioned only four pounds being paid to him, and this induced me to believe that all were due to him. I was also obliged to pay the tenths to the archbishop, and the procurations to the archdeacon, for the two preceding years, which were due before I left Scotland. When I represented this to Dr. Oxenden, vicar-general to archbishop Tillotson, though the archbishop promised and intended to give me a recompense, yet Dr. Oxenden said, that Dr. Lowth was the deprived incumbent, and would not suffer me to seek in court a resolution from him of all those pounds which I paid to my own detriment ; nor have I ever received a farthing from Dr. Lowth for those fifteen pounds, or for the tenths, procurations, or dilapidations ; which is very hard. But that all which I have written is most true, I attest, on the word of a priest, and subscribe with my hand,

JAMES WILLIAMSON."

" Master of Arts, both in the university of St. Andrew in Scotland, and in that of Oxford in England, Vicar of the church of St. Cosmus and Damian in the Blean, and of St. Dunstan's, and formerly parson or rector of Kirkaldie in Scotland, for many years. Though I prayed for William and Mary, as king and queen, on the very day prescribed to all ministers, yet their power could not protect me in the church from the oppression of persecutors ; for it was notorious that I was persecuted on account of the divine right and apostolical discipline of episcopacy ; and though I was twice acquitted of their calumnies by the king's most honourable privy council, yet the provincial synod of Fife, and a conventicle of preachers, and lay elders, for no other reason, deprived me, and gave that desirable church of mine to that fanatic pastor of a conventicle, Robert Rule, who, like another Ahab, irregularly seized it, and also the stipend of that whole year, above eighty pounds English, due to me. And they forced me to fly my country, to leave my church, my wife and family and all my friends, and to go to England (where I had not one acquaintance) within fourteen days, on pain of imprisonment and rebellion. I departed from my family, recommending that, with my dear parish, to God and the word of his grace, on the 15th of September, 1690, and embarked on board a ship bound to London. Many tears were shed, amidst the embraces and adieus of all the principal inhabitants and many friends, who escorted me to the ship, which lay near the shore. I arrived at London October 3, and trusted in

God that I should return whenever he should please; but now I fear that the episcopal discipline will never hereafter be restored, and that I shall never return, or that discipline be restored,

—While life these limbs inspires;

as I am now old, being seventy-two * years of age, and been banished my country twenty-five. I believe, however, that Almighty God both can and will in his own good time restore that discipline of his divine church which I long have earnestly desired; with submission to the divine will, his will, not mine, be done. The Lord, who has the king's heart, and those of all his subjects, in his hand, knows the time, and can turn them as he pleases; and when he pleases, our extremity is his opportunity. When the tale of bricks was doubled, came Moses, sent by God, who delivered the Israelites from the house of bondage. Who knows what God will do for the episcopal church in Scotland? O that, as an union was made by our most gracious queen Anne, of blessed memory, between the two nations, uniting the long distinct kingdoms of England and Scotland into one kingdom of Great Britain, and under one civil government, so I pray that our most gracious king George the First, king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, may, with his parliament, make an union in ecclesiastical discipline, by bishops having the sole but the principal and superior power both of rank and jurisdiction over the presbyters, subordinate to them by the divine law; and so there will be one national church and one episcopal government throughout all Great Britain; and thus a national civil union will be confirmed and continue for ever. And if such an union be not settled, the civil union, I fear, cannot well be lasting. O that all in Great Britain would repent, and fear God, and their sovereign king George, and acknowledge him now at least to be the true, lawful, and supreme governor of this great kingdom of Britain, and would pay him true allegiance; *nor meddle with those who are given to change*, Prov. xxiv. 21. with those who transgress the commands of God and their princes, *for their calamity shall rise suddenly*, ver. 22. and they who oppose their supreme power *resist the ordinance of God, and they who so resist shall receive to themselves damnation*. Let every soul, whether it be of clergy or laity, be subject therefore to king George. And because I have sworn faith and true allegiance to him and his successors, and have abjured all papists who pretend to have a right to reign, and by God's assistance will keep my oath, and intreat all his people to be faithful and subject to him, especially that those who have solemnly promised their allegiance will seriously perform what they have sworn, so I doubt not that God is willing to bless us all, and that our king, who is the defender of the Faith, will both defend our reformed religion, and that when it shall seem good to God, the king, and his parliament, that ancient and apostolical episcopal discipline will be restored to the Scotch, and to my native country, Scotland, where it is now abdicated. That this may be happily accomplished, I pray *the God of patience and consolation, according to his will*, that all we Britons may be like-minded one towards another, *that we may with one mind, and one mouth, glorify God, even the Father of*

* As Mr. Williamson lived till Aug. 1728, he must therefore have been 82 at the time of his death.

1728. RICHARD LEIGHTONHOUSE ¹, M. A.

1771. RICHARD NEILD, M. A.

1781. JAMES SMITH ², M. A.

1784. WILLIAM THOMAS ³, M. A.

ST. NICHOLAS HARBLEDOWN.

Ex libro MS. in ecclâ Christi Cant', sic intitulato, "Taxatio beneficiorum ecclesiarum p totam Angliam et Walliam."

"Ecclâ S^{ti} Nicholai de Harboldown.—1x marcas."

A like taxation is in another MS. of the said church, thus intituled,

"Ex libro taxationum beneficiorum in Angliâ, Ranulphus Cestrensis A. D. 1289. 17^o Edw. I. Circa hunc annum, jubente papa Nicolao, taxate sunt ecclæ Angliæ secundum verum valorem," &c.

In turre Londin', ex Rotulo taxac', &c. A. D. 1291, 20 Edw. I.

And the same taxation is in the archdeacon's black book.

our Lord Jesus Christ. And thus I conclude this writing with the words of St. Paul to the Romans, xv. 5, 6, in the year of our Lord 1717, September 9.

JAMES WILLIAMSON,

Vicar of the parish of St. Cosmus and Damian in the Blean; and also of St. Dunstan's, near Canterbury, subscribed with my own hand †."

¹ One of the minor canons of Canterbury Cathedral, where he is buried in the cloysters. He died Sept. 13, 1770, aged 80.

² Mr. Smith was also rector of Eastbridge in Romney Marsh, and vicar of Alkham. He was born at Lisbon of English parents, was educated there a Romish priest, and had a narrow escape in the earthquake in 1755; and having soon after renounced the errors of the church of Rome in Lambeth chapel, in presence of Archbishop Secker, being patronized by that prelate and his successor Archbishop Cornwallis; he, in 1767, published by subscription (inscribed, by permission, to the latter) ten dialogues, intituled, "The Errors of the Church of Rome detected;" which have gone through two editions, and been well received by the public. He died suddenly at Canterbury, after officiating at Harbledown (of which he was curate), Feb. 8, 1784.

³ Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge, and son of the late Dean of Ely, Master of that college.

† This is translated from the Register-book, where it is inserted in Latin.

REPAIR

REPAIR OF THE BRIDGE, DONE BY THE HOSPITAL.

The city chamber hath a record, dated 7 Richard II. A. D. 1391, whereby it appears, that the master of the hospital ought to repair, erect, and sustain the neighbour-bridge, i. e. King's-bridge. The account of the hospital estate given up to the commissioners upon the statute 37 Henry VIII. chargeth the master with the paving also of the great street there¹.

Out of an old account-book of the hospital.

Imprimis dñs Alano Blunt, capellno Cantar' de Estbregg, p salario suo per annum	l.	s.	d.
	x	vi	vii
Et solut' dñs Waltero capellno, p salario suo ibid' per annum		c	
Et alio capellno divina celebranti in hospitali pred' p 3 dies in septimano nñ hoc anno, tamen solebat habere per annum		xxx	
Et solut' cuidam mulieri custodienti pauperes in hospiti' predict', per annum		xx	
Et in cervisia empt' et dat' pauperibus pred', per ann', p septimanam vj d.		xxvi	
Et in cera, pane, et vino empt' p capella			
Et in expens' seneschalli curie de Blen			xx
Et solut' Joanni Thornbury, pro redditu terre apud Denne lese hoc anno		xiiij	iiij
Et solut' dñe Ducisse de Buckingham et serv' dñi feodi militis in le Blen hoc anno		ij	
Et solut' pro expens' militar' ad milites parliament' hoc anno		iiij	ij
Et solut' priorisse et monial' de Scapeia pro redditu de Estbrugge hoc anno		vi	
Et solut' firmar' de Whitstaple, pro reddit' eis debitis hoc anno		ij	
Et solut' Bernardo Brokey, pro redditu de Pettsfalles hoc anno			xiiij
	£.	xx	xii

Comput' vet' Hospitalis.

Recep' de Willo Audele p redditu ten' qui nuper Joannis Bertlet, dyer, per annum	s.	d.
	xx	
De executor' Joannis Bertlet, junior', p redditu tenementi sui, nuper Scoles, per annum	xiiij	iiij
De Hamone Bele, p redditu tenementi Balsam, in parochia Omnium Sanctorum, per annum	iiij	
De Tho' Deynold, p redditu tenem' Hawkwode, militis, per annum	iiij	iiij
De relicta Lynde, p redditu nove taberne in paroch' St. Andree in le Merceray, per annum	iiij	vj
De signo Stelle in parochia Sñe Margarete, per annum		x

¹ Somner's Antiquities of Canterbury, p. 129.

De Joanne Whyte, botcher, p redditu tea' sui juxta castrum, per annum	l.	s.	d.
			viiij
De execut' Joannis Langle, p redditu tenem' sui juxta Radyngate in paroch' Beate Marie de Dunghil, per annum			vj
De Joanne Gray, p reddit' ten' sui in paroch' S ^{ti} Alphagi, per annum			xij
De Ricardo Willis, p reddit' ten' sui in paroch' de Northgate, per annum		iiiij	
De Thesaurar' eccle Christi Cant', per annum			xxiiij
De Rogero Layborn, p redd' terre in crofto juxta rectoriam de Harbaldown, per annum			vj

In Cantuaria.

De Miche Flandr', p firma ten' sui vocat', le Chang, p 4tuor partes, viijs. 4d. per totum annum	xxxiiij	iiiij
De Joanne Sharp, coco, p firma ij tenement' per annum	xxxiiij	iiiij
De Willo Seban, p firma tenem' sui ibid'	xvj	
De Milo Denne, p firma ten' sui, per annum	xxvj	viiij
De Joanne Hope, leache, p firma ten' ij ibid	x	
De alio ten' juxta portam fratrum minorum nil hoc anno p defectu tenentis		
De Willmo Bigg, p firma cujusdam prati in Medlane, per annum	v	
De Thoma Banoak, p firma juxta le Longwall, per annum	vj	viiij
De M ^o Riço, p firma in hospit' S ^{ti} Tho' Martyris, per annum	vij	

Firme extra Cantuar'.

De Willo Olyve, p firma terre sue apud Bleen et Stoke, per annum	xlviij	viiij
De eodem, p firma terre nuper Parker's, per annum	vj	viiij
De eodem, p firma terre nuper Bathers, per annum	xiiij	iiiij
De Thoma Colyn et Henrico Balnot, p firma de Hothcourt, per annum	iiiij	vj
		viiij
De terra nuper Willi, nil hoc anno p defectu tenentis		vj
De terra nuper in manu Nichi Rich, nil hoc anno p defectu tenentis		xx
De Thoma Vydel, p firma de Salefeld, per annum	ij	
De Bernardo Brokay, p firma de Petfalles, per annum	vj	
De Joanne Sewain, p firma de Bromedewne, per annum		x
De Roberto Coleman, firmario de Cockering	xxxiiij	iiiij
De Joanne Isaack, armigero, p firma Cant' de Bekysborn, per annum	lx	
De Willo atte See, firmario de Mekyngbrook, per annum	lxvj	viiij
De Joanne Roper, p firma de Lompett, per annum	vij	
De decima mol' de Westgate, xxd. per annum, sed isto anno quo molendinum stetit vac' p iij quart' per defectum reparacionis ejusdem hoc anno	xij	vj
De Rogero Breh, p hordio firmar', per annum, viij quarters		
De relictis Joannis Aldelener p firma terre jacen' in parochia de Byrchington, et Omnium Sanctorum in Thaneto, per annum	vj	viiij
		Decima

Decima de Westgate.

De Joanne Swaine, firmar' de Westgate, pro decimis.

Pro 2 porcellis, viij d.

Pro decimâ vitulorum, ijs. viij d.

Pro decimâ xv vaccarum, ijs. iij d.

Pro viij agnellis, viij d.

Pro 1 quartier et dimid' lane xvij d.

Pro decimâ cannabi, nil.

Pro firmâ de Bromedown, xs.

Summa totalis redditus, xxvj l. xjs. iij d.

A rental made in the 21st year of Henry VII. A. D. 1506, agrees in almost all particulars with the following rental, made A. D. 1509; except, in this first rental,

	£.	s.	d.
The rent of Cockering	1	13	4
The rent of Westgate is	9	6	8

A rental of the lordship of Hoath and Bleen, in the 1st year of Henry VIII.

	£.	s.	d.
Lord prior of Christ-church, for Monkland	0	6	3
Item, my said lord, for Cliff's land	0	0	4
Item of Ralfe Simon, for Oxendine his love	1	2	9
Item, John Bovyar, ob.	0	1	2
Item, the brethren of Northgate	0	4	6
Item, the vicar of Bleen, for John Gentiles his love	0	1	0
Item, of Vydel his love	0	1	9
Item, of my lord's Beeham	0	0	2
Item, of Robert a Mayton	0	1	7
Item, of John a Mayton for William Bovyar	0	0	9
Item, of William Took	0	13	4
Item, John Wynter	0	0	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Item, John Roper for Butiller's Court	0	6	8
Item, John Winter for William Sellewer, tenant on the Bleen	0	0	4
Item, of Mr. Walter Langley for Well-court	0	10	0
Item, Robert Cobherd	0	0	6
Item, Robert Elnore	0	4	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Item, Ralfe Simon for John Clif	0	2	5
Item, John Elner the younger	0	3	5
Item, Robert Bowyer, for Christian Cadman	0	0	2

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Item,

	£.	s.	d.
Item, John Philpot for the same Christian	0	0	4
Item, Nic' Sheldwick	0	3	2
Item, George Belsyr	0	0	11
Item, Ralfe Simon for his fader	0	2	9
Item, Robert Cowerd	0	0	6
Item, Ralfe Simon for John Clyff	0	0	5
Item, Robert Bobyar	0	0	4
Item, Thomas Elinor 2d. et pro 9 gallinis 5s.	0	5	2
Item, John a Mayton	0	0	9
Item, William Bobyar	0	0	3
Item, John Winter for Thomas Procter	0	0	9
Item, John Cooper the younger	0	0	4
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Item, John Bobyar	5	4	0 ¹ / ₂
Item, for himself, 6 gallinas	0	1	0
Item, John Philpot, servant	0	0	4
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	5	5	4 ¹ / ₂
and vj gallinas			

Fee farms in the Bleen, 1mo Henry VIII.

	£.	s.	d.
Videl his love	4	0	0
John Winter	3	0	0
George Belsyr, for 2 acres, half, and 3 perches	0	1	6
Widow Thomas, pet for pit fallyes	0	7	0
John Cooper	0	9	0
Robert Mayton for John a Mayton	0	8	0
William Gerec	0	7	0
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	8	12	6

Seynt Dunstons.

The heirs of Belsyr for Bushy-lane	0	2	0
The parson of Harboldown, for a croft besides the parsonage	0	0	6
Mr. John Roper for Lomepitte	0	2	0
John Temple for Bromedune	0	10	0
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	0	14	6

Westgate

Westgate Parish.

	£.	s.	d.
The heirs of Mr. Ramfey	0	3	0
Baker, for rent of Cokering	1	6	8
Tho' Percy Baker, for R. Welles, in Crokker-lane	0	1	0
Robert Copar, for teñts called Swaynes and Philpots	0	0	6
Stony-street, for the tenement in North-lane	0	1	6
The-manner of Westgate	8	0	0
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	9	12	8
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Parochia S'ti Petri.

Mr. William Kudele	1	0	0
Mr. John Mayton	0	13	4
Harry Sworder	0	12	0
William Gereë, for a meadow in Medelane	0	4	0
iiij tenements in the said parish	1	5	0
Romefcot	0	0	0
Nicolas Miller	0	2	0
The vicar of Hern, for John Plumpton, in St. Peter's-lane	0	2	0
John Rand for Miles Denne	0	0	4
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	3	18	8
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Parochia Omnium Sanctorum.

Thesaurarius eccle Christi Cantuar' p Stillicidio	0	1	11
Thomas Beel	0	4	0
Joannes Bellyng	2	1	0
Joannes Drylton	1	10	10
Willus Gereë	1	0	0
Joannes at See de Hern	2	6	8
Firmar' de Bekysborn	2	13	4
John Baker de Harboldown for Richard Hart	1	6	8
John Coleman p teñto juxta rectoriam Omnium Sanctorum	0	1	0
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	11	5	5
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Parochia S'te Marie de Northgate.

Joannes Saunder l. s. d.
0 4 0

Parochia S'ti Andree.

Thomas Fokys [Fox] pro le Borys [Boar's] head 0 3 6

Parochia S'te Margarite.

Robertus Sturdy, pro Joanne Bradkerk 0 0 10
Joannes Crispe de Tenet 0 6 8

Cocks in le Blene and le Hoath.

Ralfe Simon, vj gallinas. George Belfyr, 9 gallinas.
Ric. Elnother, 9 gallos, 4 gallinas, et tertiam partem unius
galline
Wm. Bovyar, 2 gallin' et dimid'. John a Mayton, 9 gallinas.
Walter Langly, 9 gallos, 12 gallinas.
Cowherd, 9 gallos et 9 gallinas.
W. Woodland, 9 gallos, 18 gallinas.
Fratres hospitalis S'ti Joannis de Northgate ij gallinas.
Hered' Nich' Sheldwich, 9 gallos, iij gallinas.
John Bowyer, 9 gallinas.
Summe total of the cocks and hens 119, and a third part of
a hen, and a half hen.

Gate Silver in Le Blene.

Walter Langly, 4d. Nic' Rich, 1d.
Walter Tuck, 2d. George Belfyr, 4d.
Rafe Simon, 1d. Nic. Sheldwich, 4d.
Hered' Oxenden, 8d. In all, 2s.

Item venditio bosci.

Summe total of this rental is 40 0 1½
Besides venditio filvarum, and
Cocks and hens 119, and a half and a third part of a hen.
Anno Domini 1509.

Two other rentals, the one made A. D. 1528; the other made 1529.

Imprimis, of William Weeks, and for a farm of	£.	s.	d.
Hoth and Blen	4	0	0
In the former of these the rent is	8	0	0
Item, of Wm Alen for the farm of Tunfeld and Maytons	0	10	0
In the former of these it is	0	18	0
De priore eccle Cant'	0	6	8
De Joanne Roper, armigero	0	6	8
De Joanne Norton, milite	0	10	0
De Salomone Mayton	0	2	7
De Joanne Littlecot	0	3	2
De Roberto Mayton	0	1	8
De Joanne Roper pro terris Oxenden	1	3	9
De eodem p terris vocat' Woodland, nup Willi Took	0	13	4
De hospitali Sti Joannis extra Northgate	0	4	6
De Joanne Winter	0	0	4
De Christophero Winter	0	0	8½
De Elienora Winter	0	0	1
De Georgio Elnor	0	2	0
De Thoma Proctar	0	0	3
De Radulpho Simon	0	7	2
De heredibus domini Rogeri Downfield	0	2	8
De Joanne Lamberherft	0	0	6
De Joanne Fodolfo p incremento jd. ob' terrarum nuper Willi Cluer	0	1	11
De Elenora vid' Will' John et Thomas	0	3	0
De Roberto Bomar	0	0	3
De Henrico Copar	0	0	4
De herede Belgar	0	0	11
	9	2	5½
De Joanne Norton, milite, p uno gallo et 12 gallinis	0	3	2½
De Rogero Downwill, p una gallina	0	0	3
De magro Joanne Roper p Woodland, p gallo et 8 gallinis	0	2	2½
De hospitali Sti Johannis extra Northgate p 2 gallinis	0	0	6
De Radulpho Simon, p xi gallinis dimid'	0	2	10½
De Roberto Mayton, pro una gallina	0	0	3
De Roberto Bomar, p 36 gallinis et dimid'	0	0	10½

	℥.	s.	d.
De relicta Copar, 1 gallina	0	0	3
De M'ro Joanne Roper, p 1 gallo et 5 gallinis	0	1	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
De Joanne Littlecot, p gallo et tribus gallinis	0	0	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
De hered' Georgii Belfyr, p gallina	0	0	3
De Roberto Symis pro gallina	0	0	3
De Lambeherst, herede Cowherd, p 1 gallo et 1 gallina	0	0	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
De herede Elnor, vidue, p gallina	0	0	3
De Salomone Mayton, p 1 gallo, 2 gallinis, et 3ia parte galline	0	0	10 $\frac{3}{4}$
De Georgio Elnor, p una gallina	0	0	3
	0	15	2 $\frac{1}{4}$

The cock is 2d. ob. the hen is 3d. every one

Gate Silver.

De Joanne Norton, milite,	0	0	4
Joanne Roper	0	0	10
Radulpho Simon	0	0	3
Joanne Roper, armigero	0	0	4
Joanne Littlecote	0	0	4
——Belfyr	0	0	4
	0	2	5
Add this 4℥. 8s. in the 2 first sums of the rental	4	8	0
	14	8	5 $\frac{1}{4}$

The rental is thus summed up.

Sum total of all the whole lordship of Blen and Hoth	℥. 15	17	5 qu.
Whereof the rents of assize with cocks and hens is	℥. 5	3	5 ob. qu.

Here follow the tenements in Canterbury.

In parochia Omnium Sanctorum.

De Henrico Gyre, p annum	1	10	0
De Umfry Wales	1	10	0
De Joanne Guftenbury	0	10	0
De Joanne Waffel	1	0	0
De W'mo Penjoy, p tenemento annex' janue hospit'	0	8	0

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In Parochia S'ti Petri.

	£.	s.	d.
De Sandero, pro tenemento annex' hospital'	0	5	0
De Joanne Ashby, pro domo juxta domum predict'	0	5	0
De Thoma Belman, pro tenemento annexo	0	6	0
De Henrico Maning, pro ten'to juxta portam fratrum	0	5	0
	5	19	0

Quit Rents in Canterbury.

All-Hallows Parish.

Mr. Beal, for the garden where he dwelleth, called the tenement of Baashman, per annum	0	4	0
Of the Treasurer of Christ Church	0	1	11
Of the Garden which Sir Thomas Hale hireth within the Eastbridge	0	7	0

St. Peter's Parish.

Of William East p tenements annexed to Grey Frier's Gate	1	0	0
Of the tenement next, now John Fowle	0	13	4
Of the tenement next to the house of John Aucher	0	4	0
Of two tenements in St. Peter's Lane	0	4	0
Of tenements now in Coleman's Garden	0	0	8
Of Coleman for his tenmt annexed to the parsonage of Allhallowes, now Mr. Coleman's mault- house, sometime Sworder, formerly Raygats	0	1	0
Of a tenement over-against the said parsonage, now Lucas	0	0	4
Of a tenement in Brokepot Lane, sometimes Sworder, now Coleman's Stone Yard	0	0	8
	2	16	11

Quit-

Quit-rents in St. Dunstan's Parish.

	£.	s.	d.
A piece of land called Deering's Dale, or Busshelmes	0	2	0
Of the chaplain of Christ's church for a piece annexed to the parsonage of Harboldown	0	0	6

Westgate Parish.

Of the widow of Ralfe Brown	0	1	6
Of Garard Reed, for a house in North-lane	0	1	6
Of John Barbet, for a house late John Elnor	0	3	1
Of John Hills, of London, for a house annexed to the bridge	0	0	6
Of Thomas Wood, for the parsonage of Westgate	9	0	0
Summed in the rentals 9 <i>l.</i> 9 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i>	9	9	1

St. Andrew's Parish.

Of Thomas Fox, for the house called the Boar's-head	0	3	6
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St. Margaret's Parish.

Of Geo' Rotherham, for a brewhouse called the Star, sometimes Winter's, now Geo. Haselherst	0	0	10
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Northgate Parish.

Of Thomas Mallard, for the house against the Ambre [Almony] of Christ's church, sometimes Wills and Saunders	0	4	0
	0	8	4

Farms.

For a close at St. Thomas Hill	0	9	0
For a meadow in Myde-lane	0	4	0
Of John Boker, for lands lying in Nackington	1	6	8
For Lompits	0	2	0
Of the prior of St. Gregoryes for Long Harriscroft	0	10	0
Of Tho. Bing, for Cockering-lane, in Thanington	1	10	0

	£.	s.	d.
Of John Austen and Robert Simmes of Livingf- born, for lands there	2	16	8
Of Mr. John Crispe, for lands lying in Thanet, and for tithes	0	6	8
Of Mr. Beal, for a little close lying at the postern	0	4	0
	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>0</u>

Farms which the priest of Harbledown doth
receive.

Of Robert At Sea, for lands lying in Herne	3	6	8
Of John Fadalfe, for lands in Cosmus Blean	1	13	4
	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Summe total of lands 47*l.* 0*s.* 2*d.* qu.

Disbursements by the master of the hospital.

To my lady [priorefs] of Shepey, for a rent of a garden used by the hospital	0	7	0
Rent for land at St. Thomas's hill; to the lord of the manor	0	1	2
To my lady [priorefs] of Saint Sepulchre	0	9	0
Item, quit-rent for lands in North Blean	0	2	0
Item, for wood, ale, and other necessaries for the relief of poor men in arms	6	1	4
Item, to the keeper and his wife to attend about the poor men, besides his fallery	2	6	8
To Mr. John Morys, priest	10	6	8
To Sir George Higges ¹ , [chantery priest] of Har- boldown	6	0	0
To the court of Thornbury, for rent	0	13	4
	<u>26</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>

This was annexed to one of the foresaid rentals.

¹ Also vicar of Blean. See p. 363.

Other rentals about the same time agree with these; only Quit-rents in St. Dunstan's Parish.

Deering's Dale, or Bushelmes, is said to contain vj acres	£.	s.	d.
	0	2	0

In Parochia [de] Westgate.

De Glover, carnifice, p teñto angulari quod tenet juxta Bartonis-lane	0	3	1
—p tento juxta pontem de Westgate ex parte Australi	0	0	6

The summa totalis of the other rentals is 44 7 10

Of another rental the summe total was 49 6 2

The farmes at Bekysborn rented at 3l. p annum.

A terrier of the lands belonging to Eastbridge-Hospital, taken Nov. 26, 1713, by George Cadman, leased to Mrs. Boys, &c.

	Acres.
Hoth-Court 6 pieces	62
Two woods adjoining to Hoth-Court	30
Ben Horn, 8 pieces	90
Horse Downs, 2 pieces	40
Roothams, 11 pieces	50
Thomas Nickolls, 8 pieces	30
Henry Cullen, 2 pieces	7
John Fleet, 2 pieces	7
Thomas Cullen, 6 pieces	17
Denge Lees	60
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	395

There is one farm that lets for 45*l.* per annum, whereof the house and closes except of the land (about 10*l.* per annum) are fee-simple; the rest belongs to the hospital.

Anno 37^o Henrici VIII. The king directed his commission to Thomas [Cranmer] archbishop of Canterbury, Henry [Holbeach] bishop of Rochester, Thomas Cheney, John Baker, Thomas Moyle, Richard Long, William Finch, knights, Anthony Aucher, and others, &c.; who certified as ensueth^{*}.

^{*} Out of the papers which G. Hayes sent to archbishop Whitgift.

Reddit' Affiz' exeunt' de diversis terris et tent' in civit' Cant', viz. in the parish of Hallowes, for divers tenements there—xiiij*l.* xii*s.* viij*d.* In the parish of St. Peter's, for divers tenements there, lxx*s.* viij*d.* In the parish of St. Margaret's, x*d.* In the parish of Westgate, xjs. vj*d.* In the parish of Northgate, iiij*d.* In the parish of St. Andrew's, iij*s.* 6*d.*

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Item, firm' diversar' terrar' ad voluntatem dimiss', viz. cert' terr' in Bekeborn continent' per estimat', 60 acras, per ann' lvj*s.* viij*d.* cert' terr' apud Cockerling, in Thanington, per ann' xxx*s.* Clausura vocat' Long Harris, in Harboldune, xs. cert' terr' in Birchington, nec non certar' decimarum predialium, ibid. p annum, vjs. viij*d.* clausura vocat' Pytfylds, p annum, xs. ijd.

v xiiij vj

Item, firm' divers' terrar' et tent' ad voluntatem dimiss' in diversis parochiis in dicta civit' Cant', p annum

vj x viij

Item, firm' xi acr' terr' in camp' vocat' St. Laurence Feild, ac 4 acr' terre in pred' campo

xxvj vii

Item, firm' scitus manerij de Blene et Hoth court, ac omnium domor' ac edific' cum diversis pasturis et clausuris continent' p annum 154 acras, nec non et omnium decimarum personalium et predialium omnium premissorum in parochia Cosmi et Damiani de Blene, in tenura Thome Higham ad voluntatem, per annum

x xiiij iiij

Portio decimarum predialium de oib' terris dominical' manerii archiepi Cantuar' de Westgate in tenura Thome Ligham, per annum

ix

Porco decimarum predial' omnium terrarum intra parochiam S'i Nicolai de Harboldown in tenura Thome Ligham, p annum

xiiij iiij

Porco decimarum predial' in parochia S'torum Cosmi et Damiani in le Blene vocat' Foxholes, in tenura Thome Ligham

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Summa li*l.* xviijs. x*d.*

In the fore-named accompt are omitted the 200 acres, and xx*s.* rent that Adam le Heir gave in Herne, Reculvre, &c.

Item, 25 quarters of corn to be paid yeerly.

Item, except the 60 acres of land in Bekeborne, all the rest of our Lady's chantery lands, rented at 7*l.* os. 4*d.* p annum, are omitted.

“ Eccl'a S'torum Cosmi et Damiani de Blen appropriatur magro hospit' S'i Thome de Estbrugge, Cantuar' ;” as may appear in the office of first fruits and tenths, anno 26 Henry VIII.

“ Geo' Higgess, vicar there, receiveth for tyth-corn, p annum, vi*l.* for tythes predial and personal, oblations, and other spiritual profits, iv*l.*”

“ In all ix*l.*”

The parsonage of Harbeldown was appropriated to the hospital, anno 16 Edw. III. and was charged with perpetual tenths, per annum, 12*s.* 6*d.*

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Item,

Item, in the office of first fruits and tenths, the hospital of Eastbridge is charged with perpetual tenths, at 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ os. 10d. 05.

Salaries paid out of the Hospital Rents.

	£.	s.	d.
To Stephen Morrys, chantery-priest in the said hospital	10	6	8
To Sir George Hygges, chantery-priest of Harboldown	5	0	0
Item, there was one Nicolas Chapman, chantery-priest of our Ladyes chantery in the said hospital, per annum	10	11	8

Salaries and disbursements paid by the master of the hospital, as are set down in two rentals, as I suppose, in the time of king Henry VII. viz.

	£.	s.	d.
Imprimis, To Thornbury	0	13	4
To my lady Bokingham	0	2	0
To the prioress of Sheepy	0	7	0
To the fermer of Whitestaple	0	2	0
To Brocas of Banerlay	0	1	2
To my lady prioress of St. Sepulchre	0	9	0
To the chantery-priest of Eastbridge, Sir H. M.	10	6	8
To Sir Walter of Harboldown	5	0	0
To a woman to keep the spittle	1	0	0
For ale for the poor people	1	6	8
For wine and wax for the chapel	0	10	0
For making and carrying 1000 fagots to the spittle for the poor men	1	0	0
	20	17	10
There is put down also for mending a black vestment of velvet, xijd.			

Ancient rents at the bottom of an old rental, about the time of king Henry VII. added to the former.

In Parochia S'ti Michaelis.

De Thesaurario S'ti Augustini de terra que fuit Rogeri de Cornhil, que jacet apud Burgate ex opposito eccle S'ti Michaelis	0	0	4
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In Parochia de Chartham.

De curia de Chartham de tenente Mich' Forestar'	0	1	10
			S'ti

S'ti Sepulchri.

De monialibus S'ti Sepulchri de 4 acris terre apud Foxmold

℥.	s.	d.
0	2	0

Westgate.

De heredibus Roberti Bereberd de domo sua extra Westgate super

Sturam proxime pont' ex parte Aquilonari

0	0	6
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De monachis S'te Trinitatis de terr' supradict' in Thaneto

0	6	8
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De monachis S'te Trinitatis p terra quam emerunt de Willielmo et Roberto Halfeyast in Bleen

0	4	10½
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Prior et conventus S'te Trinitatis tenent terras et tenementa que fuerunt

Adæ Storey vel Theobalds de Thanet, per servitium, p annum

0	11	6
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Thanet, Wood, et Birchington.

Firma de terr' et tenement' in Thaneto dimiss' Joanni Motte, et Joanni

Miller, et Hamoni Brewer, p annum, resolut' Jacobo Heosyng

in parochia de Wood et Birchington

0	6	10
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De elemosynario S'ti Augustini de terrâ que fuit Willmi de Effetreford

extra Radyngate

0	0	4
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The return of the commission delivered to king Henry VIII.
did consist of these particulars, viz.

" That the hospital was a parish church."

Then followed a particlular of all the rents and revenues belonging to the said hospital.

Then an account of the annual disbursements, viz.

" To Sir Nicolas Chapman, chantery priest, p annum

10	6	8
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To Sir George [Higges, chantery priest of] Harboldown

1	13	4
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To the keeper of the hospital for looking to the poor

1	0	0
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For carrying wood to the hospital

0	10	0
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For cutting and making the wood

0	5	11
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Fee to the steward

0	13	4
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Fee to the rent-gatherer

1	6	8
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For beer to the poor

1	6	8
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Quit-rents to Sir James Hale, for rent sometimes belonging to the nuns
of St. Sepulchre's

0	9	0
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To the master of the College of Nofk

0	2	0
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Item, for rent of the 4 little houses, and for the garden within the
hospital

0	7	0
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Item, for rent to the lord of the manor for Cockering

0	7	0
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King's.

	£.	s.	d.
King's money, tenths, and subsidy for the hospital,	4	10	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
To the dean and college of St. Stephen, in Westminster	0	13	4
For quit-rents of the fishholes	0	1	1

“ The master also stands charged, besides the charges above rehearsed, with the socking sheets, and the burying of poor people that die within the hospital; the which of late hath been very chargeable, and like to increase during his majesty's present wars.

“ Besides, the said master stands charged not only with the reparations yearly of the tenements belonging to the said hospital, with his mansion-house, and the chapel, but also with the reparations of the King's-bridge, and the paving of the street.”

The inventory of the goods belonging to the hospital.

“ Two bells to ring to service.

“ Item, within the house a chest bound with iron, wherein remaineth all the evidences belonging to the said hospital.

“ Item, that the said hospital is a parish-church, wherein there is continually administered all sacraments, and sacramentally to the poor people thither resorting, and to the keeper of the said hospital, and his household, and all others remaining within the precincts of the same, by the said chantery priest. And it is distant from the parish-church of Allhallows the breadth of the street, by estimation of xxi feet.

“ Item, there is in the said hospital a chantery priest, having a foundation, receiving for his stipend by the year $10\text{ l. } 6\text{ s. } 8\text{ d.}$

“ Item, We find that the said chantery priest, notwithstanding his foundation, hath ever since Christmas last past sung and celebrated masse at St. Andrew's for Mr. Naylor, not doing his duty at home, nor any for him, according to the foundation in that behalf.”

Lands in Herne, Reculvre, Swalcliff, Chistelet, alienated, when,
by whom, &c. ²

“ Anno secundo regis Edwardi VI. Annoque Domini 1547, by an act of parliament chanteries were dissolved; and thereupon, the lands given to these chanteries, which belonged to the hospital, were disposed to several persons, to

¹ Taken out of one of Mr. Somner's MSS. belonging to the library of Christ-church, Canterbury.

² Ex literis G. Hayes to Archbishop Whitgift.

whom

whom the king was pleased to grant the same; and, together with the chantery lands, some other lands were fraudulently alienated from the hospital, which never did belong to the chantery, but were given before any of these chanteries was founded; of which I find these following instances.

“The lands in Herne, Reculvre, Chistelet, &c. which Adam le Heir gave anno 30 Edw. III. being 200 acres, and 20s. rent, were not given wholly for the use of the chantery, but for other pious and charitable uses, and to sustain the charge of the poor in the hospital. (See p. 334. supra. “Dedit magistro et fratribus ‘hospital’ in subsidium eorum sustentationis et p uberioribus elemosinis in prefato ‘hospitali occasione possessionum predictarum largiendis.”) These are the express words of the charter: only in the licence of mortmain by king Edward these words are added to the other; “ad inveniend’ cantar’,” &c. The rent of these lands was 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* which was paid out of Making brooks lying in Herne, by one Henry Oxenden; who, as it is reported, hath all the rest of the said lands, and the 20s. rent, that the said Adam le Heir gave to the hospital of Eastbrigge. And since the statute, anno 27 regni Eliz. upon the reservation of 7*l.* 10*s.* to the queen, to be paid by the hospital, the said rent of 3*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* hath been also kept back from the hospital, and so continues to this day.”

Lands alienated from the hospital, lying in Beaksborn.

Francis Gill and Lodowick Gryvil purchased certain lands to themselves, belonging to the hospital, lying in Beaksborn, under pretence that they were chantery-lands, viz.

Spytil-field, containing 11 acres. Snote, 7 acres. Wapping, 10 acres. Nobells bill, 19 acres. A piece called vj acres. The yearly rent 56*s.* 8*d.*

Though some of these did belong to the chantery which James de Bourne founded and endowed, yet great part of them belonged to the hospital, and had no relation to the chantery.

It appears plainly from the charter, or deed, above written, that Richard de Becco, A. D. 1250, gave 10 acres, called Wapping in Beaksborn, to the master and brethren of the hospital, *in puram, liberam, et perpetuam elemosinam*, long before the chantery was founded¹. Also.

William de Sancto Edmundo, rector of Livingsborn, gave 26 acres of land, lying in Beaksborn, long before the chantery was founded²: yet all these were alienated from the hospital

¹ See p. 324.

² Ibid.

under the pretence of chantery-land. These were confirmed by the record of king Edward II. in anno 7°, A. D. 1314.

The like is probable of some other lands, &c.

Lands and Tenements in Canterbury, alienated from the Hospital.

The tenement juxta hospitale, in quo incumbens ibidem modo inhabitat, per annum, 5s.

Item, firma unius messuagii cum gardino et pomario, vocat' Claving Hospital, in quo incumbens ibidem inhabitat, valet per annum, 13s. 4d.

Item, firma unius tēti cum gardino et 4 acris terre et dimid' scituar' ex opposito hospital' predict', valet per annum, xxvjs. viijd.

These three parcels were granted by king Edward VI. to Mr. Cartwright and Mr. Hyde; and were lands and tenements given before the chantery was founded.

The third parcel seems to be that which Arnoldus Aurifaber gave to the hospital, A. D. 1256; and the other two were given long before the chantery was founded.

There are two rentals, one dated in the 3d year of king Edward VI. anno Domini 1548, Oct. 6.

The other dated April 4, anno primo et secundo Philippi et Marie, Mr. William Swarder being master.

Rents of Affize with cocks and gates.

	£.	s.	d.
Wellcourt, for rent, 10s. for xij hens, 3s. for gate silver and a cock vj ^{d.} ob.	0	13	6½
John Roper, by the hands of John Weeks, 23s. 4d. for rent of Wood- land, 13s. 4d. for one cock and viij hens, 2s. 9d. ob. gate silver, 10d.	2	0	1½
Prior of St. John's, 4s. 6d. and 2 hens, vjd.	0	5	0
Ralfe Simons, for rent, 6s. 11d. ob. for one cock and xij hens, 3s. 2d. ob. for gate silver, 4d.	0	10	6
Widow Mayton for rent, xx ^{d.} a hen, 3d.	0	1	11
Winter, or Weeks, for rent	0	0	8
John Winter, for rent	0	0	4
John Weeks, or Denys Hall, for rent	0	0	2
Widow Alen, rent 4d. a hen 3d.	0	0	7
			Thomas

	£.	s.	d.
Thomas Miles, rent	0	0	3
Mr. Roper, for Ruther's court, rent 6s. 8d. a cock and 5 hens, 17d. ob. gate silver ' 4d.	0	8	5½
John ridal	0	1	11
Robert Symnes, rent 4d. a hen 3d.	0	0	7
William Lamberherft, or John Harrison, for rent, 6d. a cock and hen 5d. ob.	0	0	11½
George, or Robert Elnor, rent, 2s. a hen 3d.	0	2	3
Jamys Chapman, executor of Roger Domfiede, rent, 2s. 8d. a hen 3d.	0	2	11
William Hart, for rent	0	0	3
R. Weeks, heir of William Elnor, rent 2s. 10d. ob. qu. a hen 3d.	0	3	1¼
Austen Eften, for rent,	0	3	5¼
Mr. William Roper, for rent,	0	4	5½
	5	1	4½

Rent Charge in Allhallows Parish.

William Parker, for a gutter	0	1	11	}	0	7	3
Simon Barret, for Hardres malt-house	0	1	0				
Mr. William Oxendine, for a house and garden, 4d.	0	0	4				
Mr. Beles, or Mr. Clark, or Mr. Drayner, for rent of a garden	0	4	0				

Rent Charge in St. Peter's Parish.

Stephen Scot	0	13	4	}	1	1	4
John Eton, or William Hart	0	4	0				
Mr. George Bingham	0	4	0				

Rent in Westgate Parish.

John Bell	0	1	6	}	0	6	7
John Cuthbord, or Phil' Jervace	0	1	6				
John Onyon, or William Swift	0	3	1				
Mr. Hills, by the hands of John Winter	0	0	6				

Rent Charge in St. Margaret's Parish.

John Trot	0	0	10
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* Q. The meaning of "gate silver," mentioned here and elsewhere?

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Rent Charge in Northgate Parish.

John Walstall, for a house late Thomas Mallard's

0 4 0

Rent in St. Andrew's Parish.

Roger Bere, or Peter Naylor

0 3 6

Rent in St. Peter's Parish.

Stephen Scot

1 0 0

Tynet. [Thanet.]

Mr. Harry Crisp, for rent of certain lands and tithes

0 6 8

Harboldown.

Thomas Lyham, for tithes

0 13 4

Tithes of Foxholes

0 2 0

Suit of Court.

William Roper, 8d. Robert Mayton, 4d. Austin Eston, 8d. William Roper, 4d. Mr. Gremer, 4d. William Roper, 4d. Roger Domfede, 4d. Prior of St. John's hospital, 4d. Robert Simmes, 4d. George Elner, 4d. John Fedal, 8d. Christopher Winter, 4d. John Winter, 4d. Widow Allen, 4d. Ralfe Simon, 8d. William Hart, 4d.

0 6 8

Perquisites of court

4 12 2

Rent of Fermes. [Farms.]

Of Bonaventure Fryder

1 10 0

Of John Pashly

1 6 3

Another house next adjoining

0 10 0

Of Peter Wilkinson

1 0 0

Of Stephen Scot

0 8 4

O Walter Trot, for a meadow in Meadow-lane

0 1 6

Of Walter Scot

0 6 8

Of John Ford, a meadow

0 1 8

Of John Thetcher, a piece of land

0 2 6

Of George Hunt

0 2 6

Of Mr. George Bingham

0 13 2

Of Mr. William Bingham, for Cockering

0 7 6

These registers are imperfect.

Dr.

Dr. Nicolas Harpsfield, archdeacon of Canterbury, visited all parish churches, hospitals, &c. within his archdeaconry; and the return was made, concerning this hospital, in these words¹.

“Hospitale de Eastbrigge.

“Maßer Willielmus Swarder, Maßer hospitalis.

“*Memorandum*, They are bound to receive wayfaring and hurt men, and to have viij beds for men, and four for women, to remain for a night or more, if they be not able to depart; and the master of the hospital is charged with the burial, and they have xx loads of wood yearly allowed, and xxvj s. for drink.

“*Memorandum*, There was 10 l. land a year, with a mansion, which the priest always had to serve the chapel, taken away by the king; and that it is the head church to Cosmus Blene; but they have no ornaments but organs.

“This visitation was Aug. 14, A. D. 1557.”

Mr. Somner (p. 63.) calls this “Cardinal Pole’s visitation,” by a mistake; for it was the archdeacon’s visitation in the time of Cardinal Pole; and he gives an imperfect account of it.

MASTERS, RECTORS, or WARDENS, of this Hospital.

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| 1200 | 1. RALPH, or RADULPHUS ² . |
| 1236 | 2. PETER. |
| 1242 | 3. JOHN. |
| 1261 | 4. GEOFFRY. |
| 1264 | 5. WALTER. |
| 1280 | 6. JOHN ³ . |
| 1320 | 7. JOHN, of Tynoden. |
| 1323 | 8. JOHN, of Thuighden. |
| — | 9. WILLIAM BURGOOS. |

¹ Ex originali in officio Regarii Cant’.

² The first master (*Custos*, or *Procurator*) whose name occurs in the most ancient charters of this house. He was master before the hospital of St. Nicolas and St. Catherine, i. e. Cockyn’s Hospital, was united to Eastbridge: He was witness to an ancient deed or charter made to Cockyn’s hospital before the union of it, and to several other charters of Blean, &c. By the hand-writing, which is the same character with the deed or charter by which Archbishop Hubert gave the tithes of the mills to the hospital, he seems to have lived in Archbishop Hubert’s time, and about the year 1200.

³ Vicar of Wycham.

1334		10. RICHARD ¹ of Ivingho ² [Bucks].
1342		11. ROGER de Rondes.
1349	18 June,	12. WILLIAM of Farham ³ .
1351	1 Aug.	13. WILLIAM GRADEEL.
1351	18 Dec.	14. THOMAS NEWE ⁴ , of Wolton, or Wilton.
1381		15. JOHN OVINGS.
1382		16. JOHN LUDHAM.
1383	9 Apr.	17. JOHN WHITTICLIFF.
1383	25 Nov.	18. WALTER CAUSTON ⁵ .
1395		19. JOHN MONTAGU.
1400		20. THOMAS PELICAN.
1405		21. THOMAS BURTON ⁶ .
1429		22. THOMAS CHICHELEY.
—		23. THOMAS KEMP.

¹ Rector of Fawkinge, and afterwards of Brook.

² He was a monk probably of that convent.

³ Instituted by the prior and convent of Christ-church, Canterbury, the see being vacant by the death of Archbishop Bradwardin.

⁴ Rector of Aldington, and vicar of Reculver, where he founded and endowed a chantry in 1354. See the History of that parish. He also endowed a chantry at Herbaldown. During his mastership, the vicarage of St. Cosmus and Damian in the Blean was, with his consent, founded and endowed by archbishop Sudbury, in 1375. See the endowment in Somner's Appendix. This Mr. Newe, it appears by it, built the vicarage-house. In his time king Edward III. gave Le Change to the hospital, archbishops Islip and Sudbury founded the chantry of the hospital. John de la Lee gave 180 acres of land, &c. Adam le Eyr gave the lands in Reculver, Herne, Chislelet, &c. and Thomas de Roos gave the manor of Blean. He is often mentioned from 1354 to 1371. In the charter of the foundation of the chantry of Herbaldown, he is called Thomas Elton. In two ancient charters he is called Thomas Newe de Reculver; and Mr. Battely was not certain whether this Thomas Newe was the same with Thomas de Wolton; for in the same deed he had seen Thomas Newe de Wolton and Thomas Newe de Reculver mentioned; and rather supposed that Thomas Newe de Reculver succeeded in 1372.

⁵ Monk and precentor of Christ-church, Canterbury, afterwards prior of St. Martin's in Dover.

⁶ Rector of Snargate. He succeeded on the resignation of the former master.

1445	24. THOMAS CHICHELEY ¹ .
1467	25. JOHN BOURGCHIER ² .
1469	26. JOHN FITZ WARREN.
1494	27. THOMAS HALLIWELL.
1538	28. PETER LYGHAM ³ , LL. D.
1538	29. WILLIAM SWORDER.
1562	30. WILLIAM MORPHET.
1569 18 Feb.	31. THOMAS LAWES ⁴ , LL. D.
1595 25 Aug.	32. RICHARD ROGERS ⁵ , D. D.
1596 18 June,	33. ISAAC COLFE ⁶ , M. A.

¹ Great nephew to archbishop Chicheley, being grandson of his younger brother William. Feb. 18, 1429, he was collated to the prebend of Cadington minor in St. Paul's; and to the archdeaconry of Canterbury, December 13, 1433. February 10, in the same year, he had licence under the privy seal to take and execute the office of prothonotary to the pope. But it is supposed he resigned the archdeaconry some years before his death, for Thomas Winterbourn is styled archdeacon of Canterbury, Sept. 1, 1448. He died Jan. 26, 1446, and was buried in the church of Wingham in Kent. *Stemmata Chichleiana*, Pref. ix. where his mastership of this hospital is not noticed. Q. Did he resign this last place and resume it again; for no other person of his name occurs earlier.

² Archdeacon of Canterbury, provost of Wingham College, 1463, and prothonotary to the pope; brother, or near kinsman, Somner supposes, to archbishop Bourgchier. He died Nov. 6, 1469.

³ He was made dean of the arches by archbishop Cranmer, by letters dated "in manerio nro de Ford, 30 die mensis Octobris, anno 1535, et consecrationis tertio."

⁴ A native of Norwich, prebendary of Canterbury, 1568, and the archbishop's commissary. This master was taxed with making some concealments of lands belonging to the hospital, and with leasing them out at low rents, by the connivance of archbishop Whitgift. See Strype's *Life of that archbishop*, p. 498; and *Masters's History of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge*, p. 333. He died August 9, 1595.

⁵ The last suffragan bishop of Dover, to which office he was consecrated by archbishop Parker 1569, and in 1584 made dean of Canterbury, where he was buried in the Deans' chapel. See Wood's *Athen. Oxon.* 686. He was also rector of Great Chart, to which he was inducted Jan. 19, 1567. See Lewis's *Essay on Suffragan Bishops*, p. 15.

⁶ Fourth son of Amandus Colfe, alias Coulte, of Calais in France, and of the city of Canterbury in England, was born in Kent, probably in that city; and was educated at Oxford a commoner in Broadgates-hall, 1576. He died July 15, 1597, and was buried in the chapter-house of the cathedral church of Canterbury. See the register of the hospital.

- 1597 14 Aug. 34. JOHN BOYS ¹, D. D.
 1625 25 Oct. 35. ROBERT SAY ², B. D.
 1628 27 May, 36. JOHN SACKETTE ³, B. D.
 1664 20 Oct. 37. EDWARD ALDEY ⁴, M. A.
 1673 10 Apr. 37. SAMUEL PARKER ⁵, D. D.
 1688 1 Sept. 38. JOHN BATTELY ⁶, D. D.
 1708 39. JOHN PARIS ⁷, M. A.
 1709 Jan. 40. JOHN BRADOCK ⁸, M. A.

¹ Fourth son of Thomas Boys, esquire, of Eythorn, in Kent, and nephew to Sir John Boys of Canterbury, was admitted of Bene't, or Corpus Christi, College, Cambridge, 20 April, 1586; fellow of Chelsea College, 1610, rector of Bettshanger, and dean of Canterbury, 1619. He died Sept. 28, 1625; and was buried in the Deans' chapel near the sermon-house in the cathedral church, where he has a monument. See a list of his works in Masters's History of Corpus Christi College, p. 241.

² Rector of Herbaldown. He died April 8, 1628.

³ Rector of Great Mongeham. He died August 24, 1664, and was buried in the chancel of his church.

⁴ Prebendary of Canterbury, and rector of St. Andrew's and St. Mary Bredman's. He died July 1, 1673, and was buried in the chancel of the parish church of St. Andrew, in Canterbury, now taken down, but his monument is preserved in the vestibule of the new church.

⁵ Archdeacon and prebendary of Canterbury, and rector of Chartham and Ickham; afterwards bishop of Oxford, 1686. He died at Oxford, March 20, 1687.

⁶ Archdeacon and prebendary of Canterbury, rector of Adisham, author of *Antiquitates Rutupinae*, and *Sti Edmundi Burgi*; the former printed 1711, 8vo and the latter Ox. 1745, 4to. He was a great benefactor to this hospital. His picture hangs in the hall.--The question being put, Whether a master of the hospital, upon his collation, ought to compound for first-fruits; this answer was returned. "All hospitals, whose revenues are disposed to charitable uses are to be discharged by the statute; and we send out no process against masters of any hospital whatever, concluding the revenues thereof to be disposed to pious uses, and therefore you need not trouble yourself about composition for the same. I am

" Oct. 1, 1688.

" Your humble servant,

" To Dr. BATTELY."

" ROBERT URWYN."

⁷ Rector of the united parishes of St. Mary Bredman and St. Andrew, in Canterbury, and vicar of Beakiborne.

⁸ Vicar of Hackington, or St. Stephen's, near Canterbury, and one of the six preachers in that cathedral. He died August 14, 1719, and was buried in the chancel of St. Stephen's church.

- 1719 16 Dec. 41. JOHN LEWIS ¹, M. A.
 1746 14 Mar. 42. JOHN SACKETTE ², M. A.
 1753 2 July, 43. HENRY HEATON ³, B. D.
 1777 23 Sept. 44. WILLIAM BACKHOUSE ⁴, D. D.

¹ A learned antiquary, rector of Acryse 1690, of Hawkinge 1702, vicar of St. John's Margate 1705, rector of Saltwood and Eastbridge 1706, and vicar of Minster in Thanet 1708. See a list of his numerous works in Masters's History of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, Appendix, p. 102. His picture, from which there is a print prefixed to the 2d edition of his "History of Thanet, 1736," 4to, hangs in the hospital hall. He died Jan. 16, 1746.

² Grandson to the 36th master, minister of Folkstone, and rector of Hawking, 1699; known as an antiquary, by his letter dated 18 Nov. 1702, giving an account of the chapel in Dover Castle; as a naturalist, by a paper in the Phil. Transl. N^o 349, on the sinking of ground near Folkstone; and as an epigrammist, by his *Lusus Poetici*, in the early volumes of the Gentleman's Magazine. See a farther account of him in Masters's History of Corpus Christi College, p. 363.

³ A native of Doncaster in Yorkshire, admitted of Bene't, or Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, 1730, B. D. 1745, successively fellow and tutor of the college, minister of St. Benedict, Cambridge, and one of archbishop Herring's domestic chaplains, by whom he was collated to the rectory of Ivy Church, and the vicarage of Boughton under the Blean; and his Grace bequeathed to him a prebend of Ely, an option. Mr. Heaton's classical abilities would have been known only to his pupils and particular friends, had not his connection at college with the present earl of Hardwicke and his brothers (to three of whom, and also to the present earl of Bristol, and his youngest brother, &c. and "last" and "least," to the writer of this note, he was tutor), induced him to take an active part in the *Athenian Letters*, in which he wrote the fifteen, signed H. His epitaph also on his friend Dean Castle (master of the college) in Barley Church does equal credit to his heart and head. He died July 7, 1777, and was buried in his church at Boughton. See an epitaph on him in the Gentleman's Magazine for that year, p. 499.

⁴ The present worthy master, who, after having been many years one of archbishop Cornwallis's domestic chaplains, is now also, by his Grace's favour, archdeacon of Canterbury 1767, rector of Ickham 1771, and of Deal 1779.

BENEFACTORS to this HOSPITAL.

Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, was the first founder and endower of this hospital. See p. 301.

A. D. 1200. Hubert, archbishop of Canterbury, gave the tithes of Westgate mill, of a mill and two salt-pits at Herewic; of a windmill in Reculvre, and of a windmill at Westhalimot in Thanet. See p. 302, &c.

1203. William Cocking, citizen of Canterbury, founded the hospital of St. Nicolas and St. Katherine, which was united by Pope Innocent III. to the hospital of Eastbridge; after which he gave all his lands, possessions, and chattels, to the hospital, whom he made his heirs. See p. 304, &c.

Vivian le Mercer, eldest son of Ordnothus the dyer, gave 24 perches of land in Hackington, to Cockin's hospital. See p. 307.

Nicolas, the son of Baldwin, gave 5 acres and a half in Cockering, and about the same time 9 acres more. See p. 307.

William, the son of Henry, gave 62 acres in Hakintune.

Henry de Swoleford gave 5 acres and a rood in Cockering.

1243. Stephen Haringod gave 3 acres in Cockering.

Robert de Cockering gave 3 acres and 13 acres.

Hamo, the son of John de Cockering, gave 5 acres and a half. See p. 308.

Walter de Kenefield gave 13 acres.

All these lands lie in Cockering.

Hamo de Crevequeur granted the parsonage of Blene, &c. to the hospital, and many pieces of land, and was a most considerable benefactor. See p. 308, &c.

Archbishop Langton confirmed the grant thereof, and annexed the parsonage of Blene to the hospital.

Wlwardus gave the hospital a certain prebend in Blene.

Agnes the daughter of Anserius gave two acres and three roods of land. See p. 309.

Simon

Simon and Peter, the sons of Efterman, gave a wood and a farm.
See p. 309.

Richard de Bromfeld gave 6d. rent.

1243. William de Suthfolk gave 17d. ob. rent.

1268. William, the son of Stephen of Hoth, gave the land called Sheepfield.

1272. Joannes de Fraxino gave 5d. rent.

— William, the son of Hamon le Lekel, gave 8 acres of land.

1280. Abida, the daughter of Robert of Hoth, gave two acres and a rod of land.

1289. Robert Scot gave three acres and a half.

1299. Mirabilia, the daughter of John At le Heart, gave two pieces of land.

Avie, the daughter of Ralfe de Balward, gave three acres and a quarter of land in Reyfield.

Cicily, the daughter of Ralfe de Balward, gave an acre and 39 acres of land.

Feugerius, the son of Simon de la Hocke, gave three acres and a quarter of wood.

Robert Lupus, Robert the son of Richard Wrotham, and William the son of Stephen of Hoth, and many others, gave lands and rent.

All these lie in the Blean.

1210. Pope Honorius the Third freed the hospital from paying tithes. See p. 314.

John of Adifham gave two acres and a half. Ibid.

The barons of the port of Romney gave the lands called Guildhall lands in Romney. Ibid.

Christiana, the daughter of William Silvestre, gave 3s. 6d. yearly rent out of a messuage in Canterbury. See p. 315.

1230. Matthew, the son of William Sunewine, gave 2s. 6d. out of two messuages lying in Canterbury. See p. 317.

Ascelina, the daughter of Radulphus, the son of Arnoldus,

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gave certain lands and messuages adjoining next unto the hospital. See p. 317. Richard, the son of Radulphus, joined with his sister in the said gift.

Richard Calvel gave certain lands and houses, &c. Ibid.

Gode, the daughter of Wibertus, gave 12d. rent out of a messuage without Westgate. Ibid.

Robert Pin and Beatrix his wife gave 2s. a year rent out of a messuage in St. Peter's parish. Ibid.

Joannes Chopelose gave 3s. rent without Westgate. Ibid.

Avise, the widow of Lambert Weyder, gave a messuage by Jury-lane, in All Saints parish. See p. 318.

Bruningus the miller, gave 16d. rent out of a messuage without Westgate. Ibid.

Hugo Godeshalt gave certain lands.

Peter, the son of Stephen de Dene, gave three messuages nigh the hospital.

Wlfrede, the son of Elstrede, gave 2s. rent out of 6 acres of land at Deeringdale.

Solomon de Tuniford gave 6d. rent.

Adam, the son of Wlfred, gave 3s. 1d. rent out of a house without Westgate.

John, the son of Vivian, gave certain lands in Canterbury.

Aldhiena, the daughter of Thomas, gave 20d. rent in St. Dunstan's.

Hugo de Radingate gave a messuage without Radingate.

Henry, the son of Nicolas, the son of Baldwin, gave 18d. rent out of a messuage in St. Mary's parish of Northgate.

Thomas Lock gave certain lands in St. Peter's parish.

Guido and John, the sons of Susan, gave lands in Brumdune.

Gunnora, the daughter of Eustathius de Merewith, gave 3d. rent out of three messuages nigh unto Eastbridge.

Simon, the son of William and Adam, of Saxenherth, gave 7 acres of land in Brumdune.

Walter, the son of Safford Capellanus, gave 10d. rent out of a messuage in St. Margaret's parish. See p. 319.

Arnoldus Aurifaber gave the messuage over-against the hospital. Ibid.

Rogerus Aldermannus gave 2s. rent out of 4 acres of land in Foxmold, &c. He gave also 5 acres of land in Foxmold, and two acres over-against Foxmold. See p. 320.

William, the son of John Alderman, without Readingate, gave 24s. 8d. ob. rent out of certain messuages, &c. Ibid.

Henricus de Ospring gave 26d. rent out of a messuage in Natingdune. Ibid.

Adam Textor de Holestreet gave 9d. rent.

Michael, the son of Helie de Blen, gave land in the parish of St. Nicolas Harbledown. See p. 321.

John, the son of Roger Christmass, gave the piece of land called Lompette. Ibid.

William de S'to Edmundo, rector of Livingsborn, gave 26 acres of land in Livingsborn, alias Beaksborn. See p. 323.

William de Becc gave 10 acres of land, called Wopping, in Livingsborn, alias Beaksborn. See p. 322.

Walterus, the son of Eilmery, gave land in Burchentune [Birchington]. See p. 325.

Gilbert de Clare, earl of Gloucester and Hereford, gave certain lands and rent in Blene, and confirmed the gifts of Elias and Hamo de Blen. Ibid.

1342. Archbishop Stratford gave laws and statutes for the government of the hospital. See them, p. 329. He also united and annexed the parish church of St. Nicolas Harbledown to the hospital.

1359. Thomas de Roos de Hamalalk gave the manor of Blene.

1360. Joannes de La Lee, miles, gave 180 acres of land, 6 acres of meadow, and 6 acres of wood, 27s. rent, 9 cocks, and 21 hens.

1355. Adam le Heir gave 200 acres of land and 20s. rent in Herne, Swalclive¹, Whitstaple, and Chiftelet. See p. 355.

¹ Misprinted "Watelyve", p. 334.

1360. Helena atte Park de Hoth gave all her lands, tenements, &c.

1345. Johannes de Mayton, cleric', gave a certain piece of land in Harbeldown.

1362. Simon Islip, archbishop of Canterbury, founded the chantry, and united the chantry of Beaksborn to the hospital.

1363. Bartholomeus de Bourne (de Beaksborn) translated the chantry, which James de Bourn founded in Livingborn, and endowed to the hospital, together with the endowment of the chantry.

1375, Simon Sudbury, archbishop, refounded the chantry, and founded the perpetual vicarage of Blean.

William Wittlesey, and Thomas Arundel, archbishops, founded the chantry of Harbledown.

King Edward III. gave the chaunge in Canterbury to the hospital; and is to be numbered among the benefactors.

Archbishops Matthew Parker and John Whitgift may be esteemed as the greatest benefactors, and founders, and restorers of this hospital.

1585. The dean and chapter of Christ-church, in Canterbury, did give one small bell, called the Wakerel, to the use of the hospital, to be hanged up in the chapel, for the calling together the brothers and sisters to the appointed service there.

1614. Mr. Nevil, brother to Dr. Nevil, gave 10s. to the poor of this hospital.

1615. Dr. Nevil, dean of Christ-church, Canterbury, gave 40s. to the poor of this hospital.

"There are, without doubt," says Mr. Battely, "other benefactions, which have not come to my knowledge."

1648. Mr. Avery Sabin gave ten marks per annum to the ten poor in-brethren and sisters, to be paid quarterly.

1660. Archbishop William Juxon did contribute bountifully towards the repair of the brothers lodgings next the bridge. The particulars of his benefaction are not recorded.

1676. Dr. Gilbert Sheldon, archbishop of Canterbury, contributed towards the repairing of the sisters lodgings: for, as Dr. Parker wrote to his grace William lord archbishop, "By the help of your grace's predeceffor's benevolence, I have repaired the house."

1688. William Sancroft, lord archbishop of Canterbury, gave the large Bible, which is now in the chapel, and a large Common Prayer book, for the use of the reader in the chapel.

1694. Mrs. Elizabeth Lovejoy gave five pounds per annum to the ten in-brothers and sisters.

1708. The rev. Dr. John Battely, D. D. archdeacon of Canterbury, new-built three of the sisters lodgings, and did several other great repairs; and at his death left to the in-brothers and sisters 100l. the interest of which to be proportioned by Mr. John Bradock and Mr. Somerscales, vicar of Doddington.

1710. Dr. Thomas Tenison, archbishop of Canterbury, gave towards the repair of the bridge belonging to this hospital, 20l.

1710. The dean and chapter of Christ Church, Canterbury, for the same use, 10 pounds.

1711. Mrs. Mary Masters left 5l. per annum to this hospital, now much reduced. See History of St. John's Hospital, pp. 196 and 280.

1719. Mr. John Bradock, master of this hospital, gave 25l. 13s. 4d. for the better payment of the poor people at Lady-day and Michaelmas.

1721. Mr. Matthew Brown, of St. Peter's, Canterbury, Carpenter, by his will, dated Dec. 12, 1717, gave 10s. per annum for ever, to the in-brothers and sisters of this hospital. See p. 281.

1768. Thomas Hanson, esquire, late of Crosby-square, London, by his last will and testament, dated April 30, gave the interest of 500l. for ever, to the in-brothers and sisters of this hospital, which being now invested in the 3 per cent. reduced bank annuities. produced 17l. 10s. per annum. See p. 196.

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The master of the hospital laid claim to certain tithes of meadows, or pastures, called Cowbrooks, or Cowmedys, in Hakington, &c. The whole of which will appear from this following instrument, which I have transcribed out of a book, commonly called, "The Archdeacon's Black Book," fol. 25.

"Universis Sancte Matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presentes littere sive presens publicum instrumentum pervenerint sive pervenerit. Johannes, permissione divina, prior ecclesie Christi Cant' ac reverendissimi in Christo patris ac Dñi Dñi Henrici Dei gratia Cantuar' archiep'i, totius Anglie primatis, et apostolice sedis legati in remotis agentis, vicarius in spiritualibus generalis, salutem in Domino sempiternam et fidem indubiam presentibus adhiber'. Vestre universitatis notitie deducimus p' presentes, quod orta nuper discessionis materia in quodam negotio de jure et possessione percipiendi et habendi decimas quasunque de quibusdam pratis, pascuis, et pasturis, Cowbrokys alias Cowmedys majori et minori vulgariter nuncupatis, infra fines et limites ecclesie parochialis de Hakynton notor' adjacentibus provenientes, moto inter venerabiles et discretos viros dñum Thomam Burton, magistrum sive custodem hospitalis beati Thome martyris de Eastbregge, civit' Cant', ex pte una, et magistrum Willum Byngham, clericum, reverendi viri magri Henrici Rumworth, archidiacon' Cant' procuratorem se dicentem, ex pte altera; dictis p'tibus coram nobis in quadam capella in honore beate Marie Virginis, infra dictam ecclesiam Christi dedicata, in negotio supradicto inter easdem partes ad jura reddend' pro tribunali sedentibus, comperentibus, prefatus Thomas Burton, magister sive custos hospitalis supradicti, sue ibi competitionis et intentionis affectum nobis intimavit, quod ex certis causis ipsum, ut asseruit, moventibus, etiam pro eo et ex eo quod ipse probationes legitimas ad proband' jus et possession' de jure aliquam in perceptione decimar' predictar' p' jure suo et hospitalis sui predicti munimine habuit aut habere potuit cuicunque liti ea de causa materia in posterum et movende omnino cedere et renunciare voluit, palam, publice, et expresse. Qui quidam Thomas et magr supradictus insuper quandam renuntiationem in quadam cedula papiri scriptam in manu sua tenens fecit et legit publice et expresse sub forma que sequitur tenore verborum:

"In nomine Dei, Amen. Coram vobis reverendo in Christo patre et Dño Dño Johanne permissione divina priore ecclesie Christi Cant' et rev'mi in Christo patris et Dñi Dñi Henrici Dei gratia Cant' archiep'i totius Anglie primatis et apostolice sedis legati in remotis agentis vicario in spiritualibus generali: Ego, Thomas Burton, clericus, magr et custos hospit' beati Thome Martyris de Eastbregge civitatis Cant', dico, allego, et in his scriptis propono, quod licet orta nuper fuerat quedam discessionis materia super jure et possessione percipiendi et habendi decimas de quibusdam locis et pratis vocatis Cowbrokys, majori et minori, provenientes qualitercunque et pventuras infra fines et limites ecclesie parochialis de Hakynton, Cant' diocesi, adjacentibus, inter me Thomam Burton, magistrum sive custodem hospit' supradicti ex pte una, et magistrum Willum Bingham, reverendi viri magri Henrici Rumworth, archiep'i Cant' procuratorem generalem, ex pte altera: Ego tamen Thomas Burton, magr

magr et custos hospital' p'dict', omni juri, titulo, et possessioni, quod, quem, et quam habui, aut habeo, in eisdem decimis aliquo modo vel ad eas ex certis de causis me in hac parte moventibus, vi nec metu inductus neque compulsus, ymmo ex mea propria et spontanea voluntate pur' liber' simpliciter, et absolute, ex certa mea sententia renuntio, et ab eisdem re et verbo totaliter recedo, ipsasque decimas et possessionem earundem, quatenus ad me nomine hospitalis mei p'dicti attinent, dimitto in his scriptis: Nos insuper Johannes, vicarius in spiritualibus supradictus, volentes prout ad s'rum pertinet officium partibus p'dictis in p'missis facere justitie complementum, et in eodem negotio ex earundem p'tium petitione procedentes, ex ipsius dicti Thome Burton, magri et custodis hospital' p'dicti consensu expresso, p' jure reverendi viri dñi archidiacon' supradicti nomine eccleie parochialis de Hakynton, p'dict' decimas feni et agistament' animalium et alias decimas quascunque de pratis, pascuis, et pasturis supradictis, infra fines et limites dicte eccleie de Hakynton notor' adjacentibus p-venientes et p-venturas p'cipiend' et habendi ipsas vero decimas ad dictum dñum archidiaconum n'oe eccleie sue de Hakynton, p'tinuisse, p'tinere, et p'tinere debere in futurum p'nuntiamus et declaramus, dictas etiam decimas lite sive controversia inter p'tes p'dict' pendente sequestratas et sub arto sequestro in salva custodia ex consensu p'tium p'dictarum pariter et assensu repositas in quorumcunque manibus existant p'fato dño archidiacono sive ipsius n'oe p'curatori suo p'dicto restituendas et deliberandas ferè p' jure et possessione ipsius dñi archidiaconi supradicti ipsas decimas sic p'cipiend' et habend' ut p'fertur decrevimus judicialiter tunc it'm, que oia et singula, ad quorum interest seu interesse poterit in futurum volumus notitiam pervenire. In quorum omnium fidem et testimonium p'missorum sigillum quo in s'ro utimur officio, unà cum signo et subscriptione Adam Body publici autoritate apostolicâ notarii et in p'fato negotio actorum scribe p'sentibus duximus apponendum. Data et acta sunt hec, prout supra scribuntur et recitantur, sub anno Domini millesimo cccmo xviii^o, indictione xii, pontificatus sanctissimi in Christo patris et Dñi n'ri Dñi Martini Dei p'videntia pape quinti anno secundo, mense Decembris die decima, in capella superius recitata; p'sentibus discretis viris Johanne Denys, domicello, Rogero Rye, et Henrico Lynde, literatis, et aliis Cant' dioc' testibus, ad p'missa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Et ego Adam Body, clericus Sarū dioces', publicus autoritate apostolica notarius Cant', p'missis oib' et singulis dum sic ut p'mittitur sub anno indict' pontif' mens' die et loco p'dictis agebantur et fiebantur, unà cum p'nominatis testibus p'sens interfui, eaque oia et singula sic fieri vidi et audivi, scripsi, publicavi et in hanc publicam formam redegei, signoque et n'oe meis soliti et consueti demandatis p'fati dñi vicarii in spiritualibus generalis signavi rogatus et requisitus, in fidem et testimonium p'missior', et constat mihi in n'rio subscripto de istarum dictionum "cuicumque super" in decima et undecima lineis istius instrumenti a capite ejusdem computandis, quos approbo ego notarius antedictus.

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Ex archivis ecclesiæ Christi, Cantuar'. Of Bourn-Chantry.

Omnibus Sancte Matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presentes littere pervenerint: Henricus, pmissione divina, prior ecclesie Christi Cant', et ejusdem loci caplum, salutem in Christo. Litteras venerabilis patris Dñi Walteri, Dei gratia, Cant' Archiepi, totius Anglie primatis, non abollitas, non cancellatas, nec in aliquâ suâ parte vitiatas, inspeximus, tenorem qui sequitur continentes. "Walterus, pmissione divina, Cantuar' archiep'us, totius Anglie primas, salutem et pacem in Dño sempiternam. Instrumentum quoddam litteras sive cartam p Jacobum de Burr' confect' super donatione et assignatione terrarum et reddituum ad quandam Cantariam in ecclesia B. Petri de Lyvyngesburn perpetuo constituendam per eundem Jacobum, quod hujus donationem et assignationem approbemus ac hujus Cantarie constituend' nram nri ptiamus auctoritatem et consensum cum instant' postulantium nobis exhibitas, non abollitas, sed omni suspitione carentes inspeximus, sub eo qui sequitur tenore verborum.

"Universis Christi fidelibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint, Jacobus de Burn salutem in Dño. Noverit universitas v'ra quod cum serenissimus dñus ac rex n'r dñs Edwardus, filius Edwardi, Dei gratia, rex Anglie, dñus Hibernie, et dux Aquitanie, michi Jacobo p'd' concesserit et p cartam suam regiam licentiam dederit specialem, quod possim unum messuagium, certas terras, et redditus meos in Lyvyngesburn, dare et assignare cuidam capellano divina in ecclesia S'ti Petri de Lyvyngesburn celebraturo, prout in carta regia p'dicta continetur, cujus tenor talis est.

"Edw. Dei gratia, rex Anglie, dñus Hibernie, et dux Aquitanie, omnibus ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salutem: Licet de comuni consilio regni n'ri statum sit quod non liceat viris religiosis seu aliis ingredi feodum alicujus ita quod ad manum mortuam deveniat sine licentia n'ra et capital' dñi de quo res illa immediate tenetur, p finem tamen quem Jacobus de Burn fecit nobiscum, concessimus et licentiam dedimus p nobis et heredibus n'ris quantum in nobis est, eidem Jacobo, quod ipse unum messuag', vigint' et quatuor acras terre, et sex solidatas, et octo denariatas redditus cum pertinentiis in Lyvyngesburn dare possit et assignare cuidam capellano divina singulis diebus in ecclesia S'ti Petri de Lyvyngesburn, p animabus ipsius Jacobi et Joannis filii Eustathii de Burn, et animabus patrum et matrum et antecessorum et heredum suorum, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, celebraturo; habend' et tenend' eidem capellano et successoribus suis capellanis divina singulis diebus in ecclesia p'dict' p animabus p'dict' celebratur' in perpetuum: Et eidem capellano quod ipse p'dicta messuagium, terram, et redditum cum pertinentiis a p'fato Jacobo recipere possit, et tenere sibi et successoribus suis p'd' in ppetuum, sicut p'dictum est, tenore p'sent' similiter licentiam dedimus specialem. Nolentes quod p'dictus Jacobus vel heredes sui, aut p'dictus capellanus, seu successores sui p'dicti, ratione statuti p'dicti per nos vel heredes n'ros inde occasionentur, molestentur in aliquo, seu graventur. Salvis tamen capitalibus dñis foedi illius servitiis inde debitis et consuetis. In cujus rei testimonium has lras n'ras fieri fecimus patentes. Teste meipso apud Westm' 2do die Decembris anno regni n'ri septimo."

Ego Jacobus p'dictus, Dei nomine invocato, pro salute anime mee et corporis mei et p salute animarum Joannis filii Eustathii de Burn, patrum et matrum, antecessorum et heredum n'rorum, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, do et assigno uni capellano divina singulis diebus in ecclesia p'dicta, pro anima mea et animabus nominatis

minatis superius celebraturo, unum messuagium meum quod habeo in Lyvynsburn. Item, 24 acras terre in Lyvynsburn p̄dicta. Item, sex solidatas et octo denariatas redditus cum pertinentiis, qui redditus exsurgit de talibus locis existentibus in Lyvynsburn p̄nominata, viz. inter messuag' Nicholai Rauf versus West, et terram heredum Willi Champeneis versus East, habend' et tenend' dict' messuag' cum terris et redditibus p̄dictis eidem capell'no et successoribus suis capell'nis divina singulis diebus in ecclia p̄d' p̄ animabus p̄d' celebratur' in p̄petuum; salvis tamen capitalibus dñis feodi illius servitiis inde debitis et consuetis. Donationem autem et assignationem p̄dictam factam sub modo et forma subscriptis, viz. quod liceat mini prius donationem et assignationem meam p̄dict' primum capell'num ad p̄missa ydoneum, et sic deinceps successores ipsius capellan' quam diu vixero infra mensem a tempore vacationis dño Cant' archiepo qui pro tempore fuerit, loci dyocesano, sede plena, et dñis priori et capitulo Cant', si sedes Cant' vacare contigerit, p̄sentare, post decessum vero meum volo, quod liceat heredibus meis infra hujus mensem ad ipsam Cantariam, cum eam vacare contigerit, dicto dño archiepo, sede plena, ac ea vacante, ipsis dñis priori et capitulo, personam ydoneam p̄sentare; et si forte contigerit, quod ego p̄d' Jacobus infra dictum mensem, dum vixero, aut heredes mei post mortem meam infra mensem hujusmodi sic ut p̄diximus non duxerimus p̄sentare idoneum capell'num, tunc volo, consentio, statuo, et ordino, quod p̄d' dñus archiepus sede plena, ac p̄fati dñi prior et capitulum sede vacante, ipsam Cantariam conferant capell'no ydoneo, qui sciat, velit, et valeat diebus singulis, sicut p̄mittitur, divina in ecclia p̄d' celebrare illa vice. Ita tamen, quod salva semper sit p̄dicto Jacobo et heredibus suis p̄sentatio dicte Cantarie in forma p̄dicta. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum meum p̄sentibus apposui: Hiis testibus, Hen' de Burn, Joanne de Shelwyngge, Joanne filio Eustathii de Burn, Willo de Hegham, Willo filio suo, Thoma de Northington, Alano de Nobles, Thoma Pykeril, Radulpho Patrick, Joanne, Willo, Rogero, et Thoma, filiis Thome de Grenehill, Joanne de Walmer, clerico, et aliis."

Nos vero hujusmodi donationem et assignationem, quantum in nobis est, applicantes ad Cantar' p̄dict', ut p̄mittitur, construend' nram autoritatem et consensum tenore p̄sentium impartimur, jure et dignitate ecclie nre Cant' in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum nostrum hiis iris apponi fecimus. Dat' apud Northfleet, vj kal. Maii, A. D. m.ccc.xiiii.

Nos autem hujus donationem, assignationem, et approbationem, quantum in nobis est, ratas habentes pariter et acceptas eas, prout in iris originalibus rationabiliter continentur, tenore p̄sent' confirmamus: Salvis in oib' juribus dignitatibus privilegiis et libertatibus nris et ecclie nre Cant' p̄d' tam sede plena quàm vacante. In cujus rei testimonium p̄sentibus iris sigillum nrum duximus apponend': Dat' in capitulo nro sexto die mensis Maii, A. D. supradicto.

Ex Archivis ecclesie Christi Cant'.
 Visitatio hospitalis per Thomam Priorem, &c.

THOMAS, permissione divina, prior ecclie Christi Cant', et ejusdem loci conventus, dilecto nobis in Christo Thome Chichele Archip̄o Cant', salutem in Autore salutis. Cum vacant' ecclia antedicta p̄ mortem r̄mi in Christo Patris et Dñi Dñi Joannis miseratione divina ep̄i S̄te Rufine, S. S̄te ecclie Romane Cardinalis, Cant' Archiepi, totius Angliæ primatis, et Ap̄lice sedis beati, universa ac omnimodo jurisdictione ecclie Christi p̄d' que jam dicto r̄mo Patri ceterisque ejusdem ecclie Archiep̄is ante eum et p̄ tempore existentibus p̄tinuit, nobis p̄ nunc competere dinoscatur. Nosque dicta durante vacatione capitulariter congregati, de n̄ro unanimo consensu, decrevimus, put decrevissimus, eccliam Christi antedict' civitatemque atque dioc' Cant' ex causis rationalibus p̄ tunc animum nostrum ad hoc moventibus p̄ nos nostrosve saltem commissarios fori visitandas, easque tunc actualiter visitavimus. Atque inter cetera in dicta n̄ra visitatione compta invenimus ac plenius intelleximus prout meminerimus atque intelleximus, fructus, redditus, p̄ventus, ac emolumenta hospitalis beate ac gloriose virginis Marie atque S̄ti Thome martyris de Eastbrigge vulgariter nuncupati civitat' Cant' p̄d', cujus magr seu custos eē dinosceris: quod quidem hospitale p̄ tunc realiter visitavimus multipliciter decrevisse. Nec non memorati hospitalis considerate foundationis tempore, onerumque in ipsa fundatione ac de post eidem hospitali ac magris seu custodibus ejusdem impositorum, in posterumque p̄ ipsum hospitale, dictive hospitalis magros seu custodes supportandum non mediocriter diminuta, dyrumperata ac minorata existere, prout in nonnullis aliis dict' Cantuar' diocesi locis cognovimus, ac in locis dominiisque n̄ris propriis plus satis expti sumus; ac infra ambitum sive septa dicti hospitalis n̄ris oculis p̄ tunc conspeximus domos diversas onerosas supervacuas, desertas, inutiles, atque superfluas consistere, et quas depauperatione et diminutione emolumentorum p̄dict' ac onerum supportandorum quantitate ponderatis atque diligenter p̄ nos pensatis plus nocere quā prodesse, plus consumi quā p̄ficere, plenius p̄ tunc cognovimus. Et p̄sertim duas ex capelle dicti hospitalis p̄te australi constitutas et eidem capelle contiguas: Quasque servatis in hac parte singulis de magro servandas sup̄fluas, sup̄vacuas, onerosas, et inutiles tunc p̄ n̄rum decretum atque sententiam ibm tunc pronunciavimus existere: Tibi igitur ut jam dictas domos dicti hospitalis sup̄fluas et inutiles demoliri et de reliquiis et residuis earundem ceteras dicti hospitalis domos necessarias reficere, reparare, ac emendare, reliquias ac residua hujusmodi in usus dicti hospitalis necessarios cōmittere liceat tunc ibm declaravimus, et ex super abundanti tenore p̄sentium plenius declaramus, et super p̄missis p̄te fiendis n̄ras auctoritatem et licentiam concedimus speciales. In cujus rei testimonium sigillum n̄rum quo utimur ad causas p̄sentibus duximus apponend'. Dat' Cant', 4to die mensis Maii. A. D. 1454.

Universis S̄te matris ecclie filiis ad quos p̄sens scriptum p̄venerit frater Petrus, rector hospitalis S̄ti Thome de Eastbridge in Cant', salt'. Noverit universitas v̄ra me de c. nsensu fratrum n̄rorum remisisse Cressco Judeo et heredibus suis omnes querelas et actiones mihi et fratribus n̄ris contra eum vel suos competentes occasione domus

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vel fundamenti vel muri quem in parte orientali capite capelle nre edificavit, ita quod occasione p̄dict' edificiū nunquam de cetero ex pte nra vel successorum nrorum illi vel heredibus suis aliqua questio movebitur in curia Christianitatis vel seculari: facta autem fuit ista remissio vel queta clamatio, A. D. 1236, mens' Maii; salvis nobis actionibus nris, si in posterum contra nos vel domum nram deliquerit. Valeat universitas v̄ra semper in Dño. Interfuerat autem huic remissioni magr Wills penitentiarius, Wills rector de Livyngesborn, &c.

Hoc scriptum n̄ tradatur Cressco Judeo nec heredis' suis, ni rector et fratres hospitalis S̄ti Thome Martyris eos impetierint de muro vel edificiis domus Mainerii; et si eum super hec impetierit, reddatur ei vel suis ad sui defensionem.

In the beginning of the reign of queen Elizabeth, the lands and tenements belonging to the hospital, yea, the very hospital itself, being converted into tenements, were seized upon, and let out by private persons, till archbishop Parker, in the 20th year of her reign, by his pious and prudent care, restored it again to pious and charitable uses; and made new statutes and ordinances for the better government of the same, such as in wisdom he did contrive, being not only fuitable to the then times, but also agreeable to the first design of the foundation of the hospital; and to the former statutes of Archbishop Stratford, as far as could be; of which I have transcribed this following copy out of the original, now in my hands.

“UNIVERSIS Sancte Matris eccle filijs, p̄sentes literas inspecturis, visuris, vel auditoris, Matheus divinā p̄videntia Cantuariens' Archieps, totius Angliæ primas et metropolitanus, verus et indubitatus patronus hospitalis pauperum de Eastbridge civitatis Cantuarie, salutem in Domino sempiternam.

“Pastoralis officii debitum meritò nos sollicitat ut locorum piorum nobis potissime subditorum comoditatibus, his p̄sertim que ad divini cultus augmentum ac miserabilium p̄sonarum sustentationem p̄tinent, quantum cum Deo possumus, opportune provisionis remedio subveniamus, ut ea que ab initio piè fundata et stabilita, vel temporum mutatione et diuturnitate vel rectorum negligentia in abusum vergere dinoscuntur, vel in pristinum statum et decorem (quantum convenit) restituantur et restaurentur, vel pro tempore, &c. p̄sentis rerum statûs racōne in melius convertantur, et reformentur.

“Inter alia autem dicti hospitalis patronatus cura nos sollicitos reddit eò quod hospitale p̄dict' p̄ quosdam p̄decessores nros pro receptione nocturna ac aliqua sustentationem pauperum perigrinantium ad dictam civitatem confluentium fundatum,

ac dotatum existit, ac nonnullis legibus, statutis, ac ordinationibus stabilitum et confirmatum, quorum aliqua presentibus temporibus minimè conveniunt, alia vetustate et mutatione temporis a priore instituto fiunt aliena, nonnulla rectorum sive magistorum dicti hospitalis incuriâ, fraude, sive negligentia in dissuetudinem abierunt. Bona etiam (sicut accepimus) nemora, possessiones, ac alia jura dicti hospitalis de verisimili dilapidationi et dissipationi subjiciuntur. Et, quod miserrimum est, pauperes justis elemosynis ipsi defraudantur.

“ Nos igitur debito officii nostri excitati, zeloque charitatis accensi, super status dicti hospitalis ac ad reformationem dictorum defectuum procedere intendentes, fundationes, ordinationes, dotationes, statuta, ac munimenta dicti hospitalis, et præsertim quasdam ordinationes Johannis Stratford quondam Cantuar' Archiepi prædecessoris nostri sub dat' xxiii^o die mensis Septemb' A. D. 1342, et translationis dicti patris anno nono, in medium proferri iussimus, eisque diligenter ac maturè inspectis, pensatis, et intellectis, ac cum presentium rerum statu collatis, interponentes eam auctoritatem addendi et detrahendi dict' ordinationibus, easque mutandi et corrigendi, que nobis et successoribus nostris Archiepis Cant', in literis dictarum ordinationum reservata est, habito primitus super hospital' prædict' diligenti tractatu, communicatione, ac matura deliberatione, servatis per nos omnibus de jure in hac parte servandis, ad honorem Dei, perpetuam rei memoriam, ac dict' hospitalis commodum et utilitatem, sic duximus ordinandum et ordinamus in hunc, qui sequitur, modum.

“ Imprimis, viz. Quod per nos et successores nostros Cantuar' archiepiscopos talis vir nominetur et præficiatur talis magister hospital' prædict', qui pro tempore hujusmodi admissionis fuerit Commissarius generalis in civitate Cantuar' per dictum archiepiscopum qui pro tempore fuerit nominandus, qui etiam in sacro presbyteratus ordine constitutus fuerit (nisi aliter secum dispensatum fuerit) et non diutius ipsum magister hospitalis prædict' sit, nisi quam fuerit Commissarius archiepiscopi.

“ Et quod infra unum mensem postquam dict' hospital' adeptus fuerit de singulis ipsius hospitalis bonis sigillatim et specificè plenum conficiet inventarium, cujus veram copiam nobis et successoribus nostris quam citò commodè poterit exhibebit, atque singulis annis inter festum Sancti Michaelis archangeli et duodecimum diem mensis Novembris proximè sequentis, de administratione bonorum, fructuum, proventionum, jurium, et reddituum dicti hospitalis pro anno finito in festo S^{ti} Michaelis antedicto nobis et successoribus nostris, seu alicui alteri ad hoc per nos deputato, plenam et distinctam rationem reddat cum requisitus fuerit.

“ Volumus præterea quod ad dicti magistri dispositionem et curam sollicitam fructus, redditus, et proventus, dictique totius hospitalis regimen, quam diu ipsum prædictus magister fuerit cum moderamine pertineant infra scripto, viz. quod ad placitum domini archiepiscopi pro tempore existentis manebit et residens erit in domo mansionali hospitalis prædicti, vel in manerio suo de Blene vel Hoth Court, et de reddit' et proventionibus terrarum et possessionum hospit' prædict' percipiet et habebit singulis annis sex libras, tredecim solidos, et quatuor denarios, et xii caractar' bosci de nemoribus pertinentibus manerio sive firma de Hoth Court.

“ Et quamdiu in pace vivitur sine bello singulis diebus Veneris non feriatis horâ nonâ, et si feriati fuerint, horâ duodecima per totum anni circulum absque aliqua omissione ipsum prædictus magister hospitalis prædicti per se vel per legitimum deputatum suum triginta pauperibus et maximè indigentibus de civitate Cantuariensi oriundis vel ipsum diu habitantibus in aliquo loco convenienti intra limites hospitii pauperum prædicti

predicti congregat' ad ostium sive in domo hospitii nri Cantuariensis, omni carnal affectione semotâ, supra quo conscientiam ejus oneramus, triginta denarios dabit' partim habendo respectum ad commendationem pretoris oppidi Cantuariensis p tempore existentis.

" Hoc tamen observatum volumus, quod nullus dictorum triginta pauperum eo tempore sit in altero nrorum hospitalium de Harboldown vel Sti Joannis apud Northgate in civitate predict': illos enim (quoniam aliâs nre eleemosyne picipes sunt) ab ista distributione penitus excludemus.

" Verum si tempus inciderit quando bellum gerendum est, itâ quod milites p civitat' Cantuar' transire contigerint, quâ primus hujusmodi bellum publice fuerit denuntiatus dict' distributio triginta denariorum quolibet die Veneris protinus cessabit' quamdiu hujusmodi bellum duraverit, et ad tres menses post, et ad sublevandos milites valetudinarios bello leso p dictam civitatem proficiscentes et redeuntes in dicto hospitali quotidie ad summam quatuor denariorum pro numero singulorum dierum in anno de exitibus, redditibus, pventionibus, et bonis hospitalis predicti volumus expendi.

" Sani vero illuc accedentes non habentes de suo p noctem unam recipiantur. Valetudinarios autem (modo ne leprosi sint) cum sanis confluentes tam ad moram, quâm ad vite subsidia juxta estimationem predictam picipendam sanis volumus anteferi. Quod si dierum aliquo in usus predictos pauperum militum de exitibus, redditibus, proventionibus, et bonis hospitalis ipsius, quia nullos vel paucos hujusmodi illuc contigerit declinare ad estimationem predictam non expendatur ordinamus et volumus quod diebus aliis seu temporibus copiosioris adventus pauperum predict' ibm, quod minus diebus pcedentibus esse expensum, in ampliori receptione subsidiorumque necessariorum et ministracione pauperum hujusmodi juxta modum superius annotatum suppleatur taliter cum effectu ut quotannis tam pacis quâm belli temporibus in usu tam pio et laudabili de exitibus, redditibus, proventionibus, et bonis hospit' predict, ad summam quatuor denariorum p quolibet anni tempore die discretionis previa, integraliter et fideliter erogetur.

" Qui in fata ibm decedent in cemeterio nra Cantuar' ecclie sepeliantur loco ad hoc antiquitus designato.

" Cautum insuper esto ne dictum hospitale, quod solummodo in pauperum peregrinorum usum primitus fundatum est, oneretur aliquando quod habitationem pauperibus in civitate Cantuar' vel suburbis ejusdem degentibus aut illis, qui p aliquod tempus proximè pteritum in eisdem aut intra septem miliaria a dictâ civitate habitasse comprobentur.

" In hospitali autem predict' duodecem lectos competentes cum suis pertinentibus ordinamus debere perpetuò consistere ad usum confluentium pauperum militum hujusmodi, ac mulierem aliquam honeste vite, que quadraginta annorum etatem ad minus exceßerit, ministerio hujusmodi pauperum pro eo tempore tam in lectis quâm vite necessariis, ut pmittitur, ministraturam esse volumus, cui mulieri ministretur de exitibus, redditibus, proventionibus, et bonis dicti hospital' prout magro videbitur opportunum.

" Sint pterea in dicto hospitali duo libri, quorum alter sit instar kalendarii in quo numerus pauperum ibm pernoctantium, eorum valetudo, et pecunie illis erogate assiduè annotentur, quem librum magr exhibebit singulis annis nobis et successoribus

cessoribus suis, unâ cum computo suo de terris, tenementis, et aliis profectis ad dictum hospitale pertinentibus, tempore superius expresso et limitato: In altero dies, mens, annus, et nomina in hospitali predicto morantium, diligenter inscribantur.

“ Volumus insuper et ordinamus quod in domo aliqua dicto hospitali spectant custodietur schola per magistrum hospitalis predicti per tempore existentem vel aliquem alium substituendum: per eum ad hoc officium idoneum, in quâ ipse liberè et gratis docebit et instruet, seu doceri vel instrui faciet de tempore in tempus pueros supra etatem septem annorum et infra etatem octodecim annorum ad legendum, cantandum, et pulchrè scribendum, et præsertim in cantando et scribendo dummodo quilibet huiusmodi puer in scholâ predictâ ultra quatuor annos non manebit, et quod in scholâ predictâ non instruaturs seu doceatur simul ultra numerum viginti puerorum. Et hoc liberè aut gratis, prout dicto magistro hospitalis predicti placuerit, et cum substituto suo concordatum fuerit.

“ Volumus etiam quod in diebus ferialibus ter quâlibet hebdomadâ omnes pueri predicti preces in capellâ hospitalis predicti altâ voce canendo dicent, vel litaniam vel alias solemnes orationes breves juxta ordinationem magistri qui pro tempore fuerit.

“ Volumus etiam quod postquam solutio decem librarum per annum Wilhelmi Sworder nuper magistri hospitalis predicti, quam jam ex concessione quâdam occupat, legitime cessabit, seu determinata fuerit, ex tunc in perpetuum dictus magister dicti hospitalis dabit et solvet suprascriptis pueris sufficientia papyrum, calamos, et atramentum, et alios libros maxime congruentes per eorum usu in sacello.

“ Provisio quod instructor puerorum tam in scribendo quam in legendo et cantando per magistrum semper deputandus sit collector reddituum dicti hospitalis, qui pro tempore suo per huiusmodi collectione per singulis annis recipiet xxvj s. vii d. cum una liberatura per magistrum illi quotannis donanda tali qualem aliis servis suis in futurum daturus est, et quod recipiet per laborem instructionis sue predictæ quatuor libras annuatim sibi solvendas.

“ Provisio etiam, quod predictus magister hospitalis predicti, si ipse in edibus hospitali predicti habitare vel noluerit, vel non possit, quod tunc rector ecclesiæ Sæi Andree in civitate Cantuariensî vel substitutus suus præferatur ad habitationem in eisdem domibus pro annali redditu xxvi s. vii d. et non amplius: modo idoneus ad idem officium instructoris puerorum fuerit per magistrum hospitalis et decanum ecclesiæ Cantuariensî qui per tempore fuerit, semper examinandus et approbandus.

“ Volumus præterea quod ex redditibus annuis hospitalis predicti solvatur duobus scholasticis in collegio Corporis Christi et beate Marie in Cantabrigia instruendis, juxta eam firmam que indenturis quibusdam convenit inter magistrum hospitalis predicti, et magistrum et socios collegii predicti, quamdiu terminus annorum huiusmodi indenture durabit, et eo modo eligantur et præficiantur, quomodo in predictis indenturis exponitur et declaratur.

“ Et ne hec nostra ordinatio posthac veniat in oblivionem, vel negligatur, quin semper temporibus futuris summa sex librarum et decem solidorum ad usus pauperum tam pacis quam belli tempore quotannis expendatur, et quod omnibus expensis et receptis rite computatis, tam per oneribus supra dictis, quam per reparationibus dicti hospitalis et aliis rebus eidem pertinentibus, quod residuum fuerit semper inter pauperes

pauperes distribuatur, ita ut distributio eorum vel augeri vel diminui possit, juxta estimationem bonorum pvenientium hospitalis pdicti.

“ Volumus etiam quod magr dicti hospitalis qui pro tempore fuerit p se vel p alium singulis annis uno aliquo die dominico inter festum Omnium Sanctorum et festum Natalis Domini ante distributionem pauperibus erogandam clare et distincte pronunciabit Anglice hanc nr̄am ordinationem incipiendo ab eo loco, *Volumus pr̄terea quod ad dicti magistri dispositionem et curam sollicitam fructus*, &c.—legendo ad istam usque clausulam, *Volumus etiam quod magister*, &c.

“ Et ad ordinationem p̄sentem in singulis suis articulis, prout est possibile, fideliter observandam, et quatenus in eo est facere fieri observandam, nec non de corrodiis, pensionibus, terris, possessionibus, nemoribus, aut bonis mobilibus, immobilibus, seu juribus ipsius hospital' non vendendis, concedendis in ppetuum, vel ad tempus donandis vel ad firmam dimittendis et locandis, vel alio quovis alienationis titulo non alienandis, nobis et successoribus nr̄is archiep̄is Cantuar' inconsultis et non consentientibus ad hoc expresse p scriptum nr̄um hoc testan' p quoscunque magros hospitalis pdicti quibus ejus regimen comittetur, in posterum volumus et ordinamus in comissionibus singulis de ipso faciendis eisdem corporale ad sanctum Dei Evangelium prestari juramentum.

“ Proviso semper, quod si magis expediens videbitur Archiep̄o qui pro tempore fuerit, ut suffraganeus ejus ad idem hospitale promoveatur, quod tunc ex eo casu ipse suffraganeus pferatur omnibus aliis ad ejusdem hospitalis p̄fecturam, cum conditionibus supradictis, etiamsi comissarius qui p tempore fuerit habeat firmam manerii de Blene et Hothe Courte ad com̄odum et usum suum. Comissionem autem hospitalis pdicti si facta fuerit alteri quam suffraganeo vel comissario qui p tempore fuerit, vel pdicto non exacto seu p̄stito juramento, fore volumus ipso jure irritam et inanem.

“ Reservata nobis et successoribus nr̄is archiep̄is Cantuar' hujusmodi ordinationi nr̄e addendi, detrahendi, eamque mutandi et corrigendi, prout expedire videbitur, plenaria potestate.

“ Actum et datum in manerio nr̄o de Lambhith vicesimo mensis Maii, A. D. 1569. et nostre consecrationis, a. x^o.

MATTHEUS Cantuar'.

These Ordinations and Statutes were contrived to agree, as far as might be, with the original foundation of the hospital, and with the former statutes made by Archbishop Stratford, as will appear by the following particulars, in which they are compared together.

STRATFORD.

Et si votivus nr̄ invalescat affectus, de-
tus et com̄odum locorum ad miserabilium
psonarum et pauperum receptionem et

PARKER.

Pastoralis officii debitum merito nos
sollicitat ut locorum priorum nobis po-
tissime subditorum com̄oditatibus his
p̄fertima

STRATFORD.

sustentationem divinique cultus augmentum providè deputatorum nobis potissimè subditorum quatenus possumus p curare: Tamen conservatio et relevamen necessarium hospit' de Eastbridge p beatum et gloriosum martyrem fundati antiquitus et dotati—pro pauperum peregrinorum Cantuar' confluentium receptione nocturnâ, et sustentatione aliquali.

— p ipsius hospitalis incuriam magnorum, qui nemora ejus prosternunt, eaque et alia jura, possessiones, et bona illius tam mobilia quam imobilia variis alienari modis temere psumunt—in domibus etiam suis deformitates evidentes in tantum patitur et ruinas—

— peregrinos admittere non valebit—

—Nos ad perpetuam rei memoriam super his certos modum et formam in hospit' p'd' in perpetuum observandos edere seu constituere duximus, et taliter ordinamus, viz.

Quod in ipso hosp' p nos et successores nros archiep' Cant' psonatur seu pficiatur talis magr, qui tempore, quò ponetur seu pficietur eidem, sit in sacerdotali ordine constitutus.

Magrum etiam quemlibet hujusmodi cum ipsum hosp' primo adeptus fuerit intra mensem seq' prox' de ipsius hosp' bonis singulis sigillatim et specificè inventarium plenum conficere, ipsiusque copiam infra mensem eundem tradere.—

Annis singulis inter S'ti Mich' et Omnium Sanctorum festa de administratione suâ reddere plenam et distinctam volumus rationem.

PARKER.

psertim que ad divini cultus augmentum ac miserabilum psonarum sustentationem pinent, quantò cum Deo possumus opportuno provisionis remedio subveniamus, ut ea que ab initio piè fundata vel stabilita.—

Inter alias autem hospit' patronatus cura nos sollicitos reddit—

—pro receptione nocturna et aliqua sustentatione pauperum peregrinantium ad dictam civitatem confluentium fundatum.

—Bona etiam, sicut accepimus, nemora, possessiones, ac alia jura dicti hospitalis de verisimile dilapidationi et dissipationi subjiciuntur—

—et, quod miserrimum est, pauperes justis elemosinis ibm defraudantur.

—Ad perpetuam rei memoriam, ac dicti hospitalis comòdum et utilitatem, sic duximus ordinand', et ordinamus, in hunc qui sequitur modum, viz.

Quod per nos vel successores nros Cantuar' archiep'os vir nominetur et pficiatur futurus magr hosp' p'd', qui p tempore hujusmodi admissionis—in sacro presbyteratus ordine constitutus fuerit.

Et quod infra unum mensem postquam dictum hosp' de singulis ipsius hosp' bonis sigillatim et specificè plenum conficiet inventarium, cujus veram copiam, quam cito commode poterit, exhibebit.

Atque singulis annis intra festum S'ti Mich' Archi, et 12 diem Novembr' proxime seq' de administratione bonorum, fructuum, proventionum, jurium et reddit' dict' hosp' p anno finito in festo S'ti Mich' antedicto, nobis et success' nris, seu alicui alteri ad hoc per nos deputato, plenam et distinctam raconem reddat, cum requisitus fuerit.

Ordi-

Ordinamus p̄terea quod ad dicti mag̃ri dispositionem et curam sollicitam, fructus, redditus, et proventus, dictique totius hosp' regimen pertineant, cum modamine infra scripto in peregrinorum usus, ad ipsorum vite subsidium, diebus singulis ad 4 denarium estimationem de bonis hosp' p̄dict' volumus expendi.

In fata decedentes ib̄m in cemiterio n̄re Cantuar' eccle sepeliantur in loco ad hoc antiquitus signato.

Sani peregrini pauperes accedentes ib̄m p̄ noctem unam recipiantur, duntaxat p̄ peregrinos valetudinarios pauperes illuc confluentes cum sanis tam ad moram quàm ad vite subsidia in estimationem p̄dictam p̄cipienda sanis anteferri volumus.

Quod si dierum aliquo in usus p̄dict' peregrinorum de bonis hosp', &c. verbatim.

In hospit' autem p̄dicto 12 lectos competentes ordinamus.

Ac mulierem aliquam honeste vite, &c. verbatim.

Et ad ordinationem p̄sentem in singulis suis pticulis, &c. verbatim.

Reservata nobis, &c. verbatim.

Volumus etiam quod ad dicti mag̃ri dispositionem et curam sollicitam, fructus, redditus, et proventus, dictique totius hosp' regimen pertineant, cum modamine infra scripto ad sublevandos milites valetudinarios belloves lesos p̄ dictam civitatem proficiscentes, vel redeuntes, ad suam 4d. p̄ numero singulorum dierum in anno.

Qui in fata ib̄m decedent in cemiterio n̄re eccle Cant' sepeliantur in loco ad hoc antiquitus signato.

Sani illuc accedentes, n̄ habentes de suo, p̄ noctem recipiantur unam, valetudinarios autem, modo ne leprosi sint, cum sanis confluentes tam ad moram quàm ad vite subsidia juxta estimationem p̄dictam sanis volumus anteferri.

Quod si dierum aliquo in usus p̄dict' pauperum militum de bonis hosp', &c. verbatim.

In hosp' p̄d' 12 lectos competentes, &c. verbatim.

Ac mulierem aliquam honeste vite, verbatim.

Et ordinationem p̄sentem in singulis suis articulis, &c. verbatim.

Reservata nobis, &c. verbatim.

Instead of "poor pilgrims," Archbishop Parker provides for "poor and maimed soldiers, that should pass forward and backward through Canterbury;" after the same manner in which pilgrims were provided for; which was a fit and seasonable alteration; because now pilgrims ceased to resort hither; but the frequent wars between England and France caused frequent marches of soldiers to pass through the city.

Some brief Remarks upon the STATUTES and ORDINANCES
of Archbishop PARKER.

1. He had a particular regard to the intention of the founder of this hospital, and in correspondence thereunto he appointed 4d. a day, for every day of the year, to be expended in the lodging and entertaining of poor, sick, and maimed soldiers, instead of poor pilgrims; and in those times there were frequent marches of soldiers through Canterbury, by reason of the wars between England and France. But because wars sometimes cease, and in times of peace such objects of charity seem more rare, and thereby, for want of sick soldiers to be relieved, the money raised by the hospital-rents might be employed possibly to private uses, and the charity designed thereby might be altogether perverted; he prevents this by appointing in times of peace 30d. to be paid every week to 30 poor people at the hospital-door on Fridays, at nine in the morning, if it be no holyday, and at twelve, if it be a holyday; the reason was, that the poor might not wait for alms at the hospital-door at such hours as prayers were celebrated in the cathedral church¹.

He appoints also xii beds, to be maintained in the hospital for the convenience of such poor or sick soldiers as should resort thither; and an aged woman, of honest report, to look after the beds, and to provide necessaries for the poor and sick that should lodge in them.

2. He had a singular regard to the quality of the master who should preside in the hospital, and be intrusted with a faithful dispensation of so great charities as this hospital did afford; he must be one ordained in the holy priesthood; he must be a priest of great note and dignity, either the commissary-general, or the lord bishop suffragan for the time being; he must, at his admission, take an oath for a faithful discharge of his office

¹ By this it appears, that in queen Elizabeth's reign divine service was performed in the cathedral on holydays only.

in governing the said hospital; he must make and deliver a perfect inventory of all the goods belonging to the hospital; and he must once a year (if it be required of him) pass his accompts concerning his faithful administration of his trust.

3. That the goods and rents of the hospital may seem at the master's own pleasure, he is limited by the statutes to a certain salary; namely, 6l. 13s. 4d. which is properly his own; and he cannot honestly take to himself any more of the hospital rents to his own private use: only, besides this sum, he is allowed 12 loads of wood, a small and poor salary for the undertaking so great an office! so that the master by this small salary shews, that he undertakes the care and trouble of this hospital more for charity-sake than for the sake of gain and profit to himself.

4. For such as die in the hospital, he confirms the grant of being buried in the church-yard belonging to the cathedral, as of old before was granted unto them.

5. He appoints two books, in one of which were registered the number, names, &c. of such as should lodge within the hospital, at the charge of the hospital. In the other, the day, month, year, and names of those that die in the hospital were to be registered.

6. Because ignorance had universally overspread the face of the world, for the promoting of learning and knowledge, he appointed a school to be kept in the said hospital, wherein 20 poor children were to be taught to read, sing, and write, gratis, and to be furnished with books, pens, ink, and paper accordingly, at the charge of the hospital; and he appoints a competent salary for the teacher of the said children.

7. He enjoins thrice a week prayers to be said in the chapel of the hospital; and the children to be present at the same, and to sing the prayers with a loud voice.

8. He appoints exhibitions for two scholars in Bene't College,

in Cambridge, to be paid out of the hospital revenues towards the maintaining of them in the university.

9. After all these payments and charges, as also the charges of reparations and other necessary expences, the remainder of the money, which should arise from the hospital-rents, was to be distributed among poor people, be it more or less.

10. That he should once a year read these statutes publickly, and with a loud voice, in presence of the poor people that meet together to take the alms.

11. The master was not to make leases of the lands, &c. without the consent of the Archbishop for the time being.

12. He reserved a power to himself and his successors, to alter, amend, diminish, or increase these statutes, as he or they should see fit.

Dr. Lawse's ¹ opinion concerning the burying of the poor brethren and sisters that dye in the hospital of Eastbridge, in the city of Canterbury.

"The words of the ordinance of Archbishop Stratford, made anno 1342, and confirmed by the prior and convent the same day and year, are these :

"*Peregrini siquidem valetudinarii pauperes quos arripit infirmitas in sue peregrinationis itinere, non leprosi, in hospitali suscipiantur eodem : et in fata decedentes ibi in cemiterio nre Cantuar' ecclia sepeliantur in loco ad hoc antiquitus assignato.*"

"The words of my lord's grace of Canterbury his ordinance that now is, and confirmed by act of parliament anno Elizabethe nunc regine 27^o, are these :

"Also it is ordered, that if any of the in-brethren or sisters, master or school-master afore said, shall fortune to dye there, then the person so deceasing shall and may be buried within the church-yard of Christ, in Canterbury, according to a former agreement made between the Archbishop, his predecessor, and the prior and convent of the said church." said

"The place is well known to divers now belonging to the church, and the hospital poor have by your consent been buried,

¹ The 31st master. See p. 373.

ever sithence the said act of parliament; and touching the altering of the state of the church and hospital, sithence the prior and convent there, I take it that all interests and rights in this behalfe have been reserved from time to time.

“ THOMAS LAWSE.”

Queen ELIZABTH sent her writ to certain commissioners, to enquire into the state of the hospital of Eastbridge; which commissioners made the following return :

“ 1. Imprimis, Quod reverendissimus pater et dominus, dominus Thomas Becket, hospitale de Eastbrydge, in civitate Cant’, instituit et fundavit p receptione pauperum peregrinantium ad Cantuariam confluentium.

“ 2. Item, Quod deinde dominus Joannes Stratford, olim Cantuar’ archiep’us, xxiii^o die mensis Septembris, A. D. 1342, super dispositionem bonorum dicti hospitalis inter alia constituit, et ordinavit, prout sequitur, viz.

“ 3. Quod in dicto hospitali essent 12 lecti competentes cum ptinentiis p receptione pauperum peregrinantium et illuc confluentium, tam sanorum quam valetudinariorum ppetuo consistentes.

“ 4. Item, Quod de et ex bonis hospitalis juxta estimationem 4 denariorum p numero singulorum dierum in anno in usus pauperum suorum necessarios viteque subsidia quotannis impenderetur et erogaretur.

“ 5. Item, Quod in dicto hospitali esset ppetuo mulier quedam etatis quadraginta annorum vel supra, que de bonis ejusdem hospitalis in singulis vite sue necessariis victum et amictum haberet, comperietur; dictis lectis et pauperibus ministratura semper intendens.

“ 6. Item, Quod pdicta omnia et singula eodem anno primo regni domine nre Elizabethe regine in brevi ejusdem domine regine mentionata, anteaque et retro a die ordinationis pdicta usque ad et in vicesimum diem Maii, 1569, p singulos annos fideliter pimpleta, observata, et custodita fuerunt.

“ 7. Item, Quod de nominibus et cognominibus dictorum pauperum in quorum gratiam pecunie pdictae impendebantur, non constat pro eo quod nulla ordinatione seu fundatione, ut pservantur, vel registro custodirentur, cautum erat.

“ 8. Item, Quod postea, viz: vigesimo die Maii, 1569, reverendissimus pater et dominus, dominus Mattheus providentia divina nunc Cantuar’ archiep’us, ex certis rationibus animum suum moventibus, cum consensu capli ecclie Christi Cant’ ordinationem pdictam mutavit, et de et super dispositionem bonorum ejusdem hospitalis statuit et ordinavit, prout sequitur.

“ 9. Imprimis, viz. Quod tempore pacis singulis diebus Verer’s, cujuslibet anni, triginta pauperibus infra civitat’ Cantuar’ habitantibus, et maxime indigentibus de et ex bonis ejusdem hospitalis erogetur et distribuatur in foribus ejusdem 30 denarii.

“ 10. Item,

" 10. Item, Quod in eodem hospitali sint 12 lecti cum ptinentiis ppetuo consistentes ad usum et p recepcione militum valetudinariorum tempore belli.

" 11. Item, Quod tempore belli summa p predict' 30 denariorum in usum hujusmodi militum illuc confluentium p singulas septimanas expendatur.

" 12. Item, Quod in eodem hospitali 20 pueri supra etatem 7 annorum et infra etatem 18 annorum ad legendum, cantandum, et pulchre scribendum gratis ppetuo edoceantur.

" 13. Quod de redditibus dicti hospitalis solvantur duobus scholasticis in collegio Corp' Christi et Marie in Cantabrigia quotannis libre xiii et iiii denarii.

" 14. Item, Quod hec omnia et singula a dicto vicesimo die Maii, una cum aliis in dicta ordinatione penes magrum ibm remanend', contentis, fideliter quotannis pimpletis, observata et custodita fuerunt et sunt in p'senti.

" In cujus rei testimonium, &c."

By this last clause it appears that this return was made in favour of the hospital, and probably by the direction of Archbishop Parker, who in them is called " nunc Archiep'us."

Archbishop Parker, besides his care of preserving and restoring the hospital and the revenues thereof to pious and charitable uses, did not only make wise and good statutes for the well government thereof, but also he himself for several years took the accounts of the hospital, ordered the laying out of money for the necessary reparation of the edifices and tenements which belong to it, and paid the receiver of the rents, June 16, 1569 (in which year he made the new statutes for the government of the hospital) the sum of 10l. 17s. 4d. which, as far as I can discern from the said accounts, seems to be a free gift out of his own pocket. The words are these;

" Received of my Lord's Grace, June 16, 1569, the sum of 10l. 17s. 4d."

He also received of the master of the hospital, and paid to Bene't College in Cambridge, the yearly pension for two scholars, as appears from several acquittances under his own hand. Hence it appears that he took a particular and singular care for the benefit of the poor to be relieved by the hospital.

No sooner was archbishop Parker dead, than this hospital, with its revenues, was immediately seized upon, and became a prey to

to one John Farneham, one of her majesty's gentlemen-pensioners, to whom the queen gave it in fee-farm upon consideration of services: The method was this;

Anno R. R. Eliz. 17. Notwithstanding the favourable return of the former writ, and good accompt certified thereby concerning the hospital, that all popish and superstitious usages were abolished, that great and excellent charities were duly observed and performed by relieving the poor and needy, by teaching of young children, and maintaining two scholars in the university, and the like; yet a new commission was now granted to Sir James Hales, Sir George Hart, knights, Mr. Wotton, and others, to enquire and certify the estate of Eastbridge hospital in Canterbury, who accordingly certified into her Majesty's court of Exchequer,

" That the same hospital-house stood then ruined, and neyther master nor
 " brethren were regynt or dwelling of long time: the house let out into
 " tenements for yearly rent: the beds, that were there wont to lodge and
 " harbour poor people resorting thither, were gone and sold, contrary to the
 " old order and foundation of the same: and the said hospital to be re-
 " linquished and concealed from her majesty, &c."

Whereupon, by her letters patent under the great seal, dated July 20, A. R. R. Eliz. 18, she gave the said hospital to the said John Farneham.

John Farnham did not long keep possession of the hospital; but sold and conveyed her majesty's said gift thereof, in as large and ample manner and form as her highness had given and granted the same, unto one G. Hayes, in consideration of money owing to him the said G. Hayes from the said J. Farneham, and more paying in hand, to the value of 550l.; and for some time it remained in his possession.

For proof of her majesty's title to dispose of the hospital and the revenues belonging thereunto, this was pretended.

“ The said hospital was founded a corporation of master and brethren, for the maintaining of “ pauperum peregrinorum illuc “ confluentium,” with lodging, fire, bread, and drink, for a night, two or three, wherein were maintained in the said hospital-house viij beds, furnished, in one chamber, for men, and iiij beds in another chamber for women ; all which beds, at the time of the visitation of the said commissioners, were sold and gone ; and no hospitality or relief for the poor, neither master nor brethren there recyent or dwelling, &c.”

“ To prove the said corporation, the governors of the said hospital have been, time out of mind, incorporated by the name of “ Master and Brethren ;” and were so accepted, reputed, known and taken, from time to time ; and were sued, charged, and distreined by that name ; and under and by that name of “ Master and Brethren,” all their lands were purchased, given, and taken : And all their licenses of mortmain were sued out under and upon that name, as may appear by divers records, as ensueth ; the copies whereof are extant, under the officers hands, to be seen.

“ p donaconem certarum terrarum quas Hamo de Blene, Ricardus Creviquer, et alii dederunt magro et fratribus hospit' p'dict', ut patet de recordo in anno 17 Edw' IIdi.

“ p donationem quam Adam Eyer fecit de certis terr' magro et fratribus hospit' p'd', ut patet de recordo anno 29 Edw' III.

“ p donaconem quam archiep'us Stratford fecit de rectoria de Harbaldown magro et fratribus hospit' p'd', ut de recordo anno 17 Edw' tertii.”

The said archbishop in his ordinances inhibits them to have a common seal¹ from thenceforth ; which argueth they were a corporation, and had a common seal.

¹ This common seal having been lost or purloined, the present master, Mr. Archdeacon Backhouse, has lately, at his own expence, supplied the hospital with another.

“ Item

Fig. 1. p. 400.



Fig. 2. p. 310.



Fig. 3. p. 321.



Fig. 4. p. 311.



Fig. 5. p. 309.



Fig. 6.



Fig. 7. p. 236.



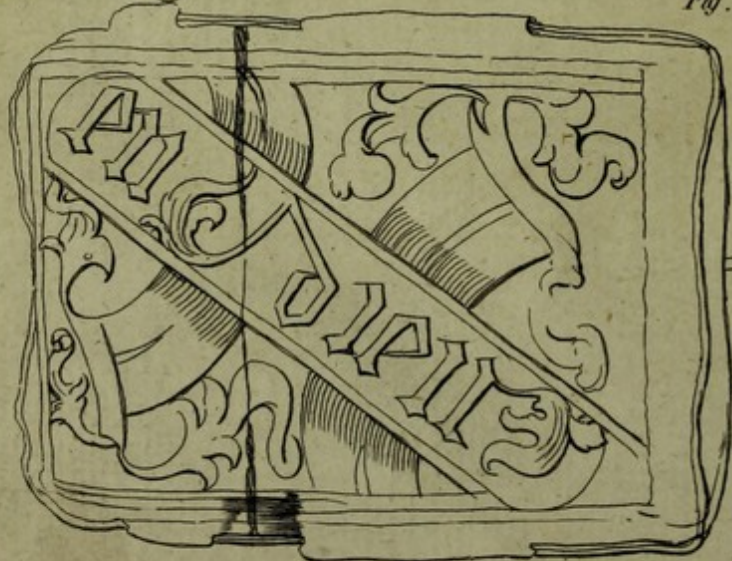
Fig. 10. p. 342



Fig. 8. p. 273.



Fig. 9. p. 180.



“ Item, They were sued, charged, and distrayned by the name of Master and Brethren, *ut patet de recordo, anno xii Ric. IIdi.*

“ Item, They were licensed and protected by the king, by the name of Master and Brethren, *ut de recordo, in anno 17 Edw’ IIdi.*

“ Item, They had a common seal since the inhibition of Archbishop Stratford’s ordinance, as may appear by an old deed, dated in A. D. 1474.

“ The question hence is this, —Whether is the said corporation dissolved or not? viz. at the time of the certificate of her said Majesty’s commissioners, when there was neither master or brethren there recyent or dwelling; but the hospital-house let out into tenements for yearly rent, as aforesaid?

“ If the corporation be then dissolved, whether the queen’s Majesty have not title to the lands given to the body incorporate, as well by escheat, relinquishment, or otherwise, by the statutes of the realm?”

This was the argument in law used and urged in behalf of Mr. Hayes, to maintain his titles to the said lands by the grant of queen Elizabeth; which argument may be thus answered.

The hospital was not founded a corporation of master and brethren, as is asserted; but a spittle under the government of a master, who was to relieve poor pilgrims resorting thither, out of the revenues of the said hospital, &c.

“ All the beds, at the time of the visitation of the commissioners, were sold and gone.” This might be true; and yet no argument of the dissolution of the government thereof; but only of the male administration of the same: it does not prove that there was no master, but rather that there was a bad master, who sold and made waste of the hospital goods; and it seems strange, that no sooner was archbishop Parker dead, who took

a special care of the hospital, but immediately it is certified, that the beds were sold and gone, and no hospitality or relief was given to the poor.

“Neyther master nor brethren there recyent or dwelling.”

The non-residence of the master doth not argue that he did relinquish or abdicate his charge; but only that he was defective in his duty, so far as concerned residence. He was still master, and was then master.

No ordinance required the residence of brethren; for resident brethren were contrary to the foundation and ordinances of the hospital, which was built and endowed for the entertainment of strangers and travellers, not permanent, but of transient brethren; and not of brethren only, but of brethren and sisters.

His proof of the corporation.

“That the governors of the hospital have been time out of mind incorporated by the name of Master, and were so accepted, reputed, known, and taken, from time to time, &c. of which he brings particular instances; as by and under that name of Master and Brethren all their lands were purchased, given, and taken.”

Answer to this:

It is a great mistake; for under the name of Master and Brethren, a very small portion of their lands were given; for the name and title varied according to the particular fancies of the donors and benefactors; of which take instances.

The first charter of archbishop Hubert is, “Hospitali S^ti Thome de Estbrug:” and he calls the inhabitants or governors “Fratres hospitalis” [S. Thome.] See p. 303.

The bulls of pope Innocent and Honorius are directed “Rectori et fratribus hosp’ &c.” See pp. 305, and 314.

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The charter of William Cokyn makes heirs to all his estate,
 “ Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum, et membra ejus, viz.
 “ pauperes et infirmos fratres hospit’ S’ti Nicholai, S’tē Katherine,
 “ et S’ti Thome Martyris de Eastbrig.” See p. 306.

Most of the charters, or grants, of lands before the union of this hospital with Cokyn’s hospital, were directed “ Procuratori
 “ hosp’ S’ti Nicolai confessoris et S’tē Catherine virginis, et fra-
 “ tribus et sororibus hospit’ S’ti Thome, &c.” See p. 307.

Guildhall land in Romney was given “ Deo, et beate Marie,
 “ et hospit’ beate Thome, et fratribus ib’ m Deo servientibus, &c.”
 See p. 315.

In brief, the grants are, “ Custodi, rectori, magistro hosp’;”
 sometimes, “ hospital’ domui hospit’,” sometimes, “ fratribus,”
 sometimes, “ fratribus et sororibus,” sometimes, “ rectori, fra-
 “ tribus et sororibus, &c.” After this manner they vary.

The licences of mortmain were sued out under and upon that name, viz. “ Master and Brethren.”

The letters of king Edward I. anno 7, recite Cokyn’s gift as above mentioned; and the gift of Hamo Creveceur, “ Rectori
 “ et fratribus,” and the gift of William de Becco, “ Magistro et
 “ fratribus;” and the gift of Ralphe the son of Arnold the dyer,
 “ fratribus et sororibus hospit’.” All these varieties are in the same letters patent.

The donation of Adam le Heir was not “ Magistro et fratribus,” but “ Thome Wolton, magistro five custodi hospit’, &c. et succes-
 “ soribus suis, magistris five custodibus hosp’ pred’.” See p. 334.

The donation of archbishop Stratford was, “ Domino Rogero
 “ de Rondes, magistro hospit’ pauperum, &c. successoribus suis,” without any mention of the brethren. See p. 328.

King Edward III. gave *La Chaunge*, “ Domino Thome Newe,
 “ magistro hospit’, ad terminum vite sue, et post mortem suam
 “ successoribus ipsius, magistris hospit’ pred’, &c.” See p. 343.

Licence of mortmain sued out by William atte Well, was to grant land, "Magistro hospit' et fuccefforibus suis."

Johannes de Le See gave "Magistro et fuccefforibus suis "magistris hospit,' &c." This may suffice to answer all his particulars.

The seal, which is objected, was a seal used by the master of the hospital, and was called "Sigillum —— Magistri hospitalis "de Eastbridge."

But archbishop Whitgift put a stop to the objections of the learned lawyer, and restored the hospital to its revenues again, by procuring an act of parliament, and by making new statutes and ordinances for the better government of the same, and by fixing of it in the same state in which it remains to this day, being a lasting monument of his piety, prudence, and exceeding great charity.

The Copy of the ordinance he made, here followeth :

An Ordinance of the most Reverend Father in God John Whitgift, Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate and Metropolitan of all England, touching the Hospital of Eastbridge, in Canterbury, and the government of the same, made July 20, 1584.

"Whereas the hospital of Eastbridge in Canterbury, before the time of memory of man, was founded and endowed by some of the predecessors of the now archbishop of Canterbury, patrons of the same, for one master and his successors, which master hath been alway since of the collation of the archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, and instituted and inducted into the same, and for the relief of brethren not permanent, but wandering and wayfaring, by reason whereof eyther the profits of the lands have been often detained in the master's hands, for that none such have come thither, or else in the time of pilgrimage or wars the house hath been surcharged; and for that John Stratford, sometime archbishop of Canterbury, and divers others his successors, have, from time to time, by their ordinances in writing, reserved to themselves and their successors power and authority to change the orders and foundation of the said hospital, and have often changed the same:"

"Now,

“ Now, for the better government of the said hospital, and for the greater relief of the poor inhabiting within the city of Canterbury, and the suburbs of the said city; and to the end that a number of certain persons may be provided for, and the state and right of the present master not impugned, nor much impaired, and the interest of the present leases of the lands of the said hospital, which are to have continuance not above the term of 21 years from the date hereof, to them and every of them, saved.

“ It is by the said most reverend Father in God John Whitgift, now Archbishop of Canterbury, primate and metropolitan of all England, patron of the said hospital, ordered and decreed as followeth; that is to say,

“ That the said archbishop and his successors, from time to time, so oft as the mastership of the said hospital shall be void, as patron thereof, shall or may collate upon a sufficient man (being within holy orders) the mastership of the said hospital, who shall be instituted and inducted as hath been accustomed, and shall have a convenient lodging in the said hospital, now known by the name of the Master's Lodging, and shall take and have for his yearly stipend vij l. xij s. iiij d. to be taken and received quarterly, by equal and even portions, and twelve loads of wood, to be taken out of the profits of the lands of the said hospital, and brought unto his lodging, at the charges of the said hospital, according to the late former ordinance.

“ Item, It is ordered, that the master of the said hospital shall appoint one school-master, from time to time, who, in the chapel within the said hospital there, by himself or his sufficient deputy, shall freely instruct 20 poor children of the city of Canterbury, being above the age of seven years, and not above the age of sixteen years, to write, read, and cast accompt, which said children, and every of them, shall have books, pens, ink, and paper, provided for them, by the appointment of the master, out of the profits of the said hospital, provided that none of the said children shall remain in the said school above three years.

“ And the said school-master shall read morning and evening prayers on Mundayes, Wednesdays, and Frydays, being not otherwise appointed to be observed as holydays, weekly, at six o'clock, morning and evening in the summer, and at seven in the morning, and between four and five in the afternoon in winter, unto the brothers and sisters and scholars there; for the doing whereof, the said schoolmaster shall have a lodging within the said hospital at the master's appointment, and yearly out of the profits of the said hospital four pounds, to be paid quarterly, by even proportions; and for his further relief he shall be from time to time (if the master shall think it convenient) receiver of all the revenues, commodities and profits, of the said hospital, and shall likewise have and receive for such his collection yearly twenty-six shillings and eight-pence, to be paid at the feast of the Annunciation of St. Mary the Virgin, and St. Michael the Archangel, by even portions, and two loads of wood, yearly, brought and laid at the said hospital, without any his charge, and one summer livery coat cloth.

“ Item, It is ordered, that out of the profits of the said hospital, there shall be paid for ever unto two scholars, to be taken out of the common school in Canterbury, commonly called the Mynt, by the master of the said hospital, with the

consent

consent and assent of the Archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, to be sent and placed in the college of Corpus Christi, and the Virgin Mary^{*}, in Cambridge, three pounds, six shillings and eight-pence, yearly, according to the last former ordinance in that behalf made.

“ Further, whereas by former ordinances, the master of the said hospital is only tied to pay in the time of peace unto the poor passengers, or to such other poor people as the master shall think good, thirty-pence a week, and in the time of war, that payment ceasing, to provide xii beds for the lodging of poor soldiers passing through the same city, within the said hospital, for one night's space only, which are now grown wholly out of use, especially since the loss of Calais; now for the better relief of the poor inhabiting within the city of Canterbury, and the suburbs thereof;

“ It is ordered, that the former last recited order shall cease, and that instead thereof there shall be five in-brothers and five in sisters, from time to time, to be nominated and admitted as hereafter is specified, which shall be permanent, and have their habitation within the said hospital.

“ And after the end of twenty years next ensuing, there shall be five other called out-brothers, and five other called out-sisters, to be also nominated and admitted, from time to time, as hereafter is mentioned.

“ And every of the said in-brothers and in-sisters shall have a several dwelling and lodging within the said hospital, and twenty-six shillings and eight-pence by the year, to be paid quarterly, and one load of wood, to be laid at the said hospital yearly, between Midsummer and Michaelmas, without any charge unto the said brethren or sisters, or any of them.

“ And every of the said out-brothers and out-sisters, after the end of twenty years next ensuing, shall have twenty-six shillings and eight-pence by the year only, likewise to be paid quarterly.

“ Item, It is ordered, that the mayor of the city of Canterbury, for the time being, shall and may, from time to time, nominate unto the master of the said hospital, for every the said brothers and sisters rooms at such time as they or any of them shall be void and unfurnished, and not otherwise, two poor persons, men or women, as the places shall require, being lame, impotent, blind, or aged, and above fifty years; and which shall have inhabited within the city of Canterbury, or the suburbs thereof, by the space of seven years last before their nomination, of the which two being so qualified and nominated, the master of the said hospital shall choose and admit one, and none other, to the place void, unless the mayor for the time being shall refuse or neglect to nominate such persons as are in this ordinance appointed, by the space of three months after notice to him given by the master for the time being, of the vacancy of any such room or place; in which case only, the master shall have full power of his own choice to admit any that shall be qualified as is abovesaid.

“ Provided always, That for the room or rooms of every out-brother and sister, the said mayor of Canterbury for the time being shall nominate and appoint two such persons as are before specified, whereof one at the least shall be such as hath dwelt within the said city or suburbs thereof as aforesaid, but not within the county

^{*} Now commonly called ‘Bene’t College.’

of the said city, by the space of three whole years at least before the said nomination, to the end that poor people dwelling within the city and suburbs, and not within the county of the said city, might [may] receive some benefit by this ordinance, according to the true meaning thereof.

“ Also it is further decreed, That if any of the said brothers or sisters after their admittance shall usually go abroad a begging, either within the city or elsewhere, without licence under the hands and seals of the mayor of Canterbury, and the master of the said hospital, for the time being, which licences shall not be granted but upon some manifest and extreme necessity, or shall be otherwise offensive in life, the said master shall call him or her before him, and admonish them to desist from such demeanour; and if after admonition they shall not amend, then shall the party so oftsoons offending forfeit and lose one quarter's wages, which shall be divided and bestowed upon the in brothers and in sisters that shall live orderly. And the said master for the time being shall admonish the second time the party so offending; but if after the second admonition it shall be justly proved to the master, that he or she hath again offended in the like, then shall the said party be by the mayor and master displaced without further delay, and another shall be chosen into the room¹. But if the offence be notorious or enormous, as incest, adultery, fornication, and such like, the master shall remove the party so notoriously offending, without any admonition. And these admonitions and sentences of displacing, with the causes thereof, shall be registred by the schoolmaster in a book for that purpose, wherein the names of every brother and sister, and the time of their admittance, shall be also entered, immediately after they shall be admitted.

“ And it is also ordered, That the master of the said hospital for the time being shall, of the profits of the said hospital, repair and sustain the said hospital, and all the houses and edifices belonging to the same, and within the circuit thereof; and also sufficiently sustain and maintain the bridge, called the King's-bridge, alias Eastbridge, within the city of Canterbury, and pay to the queen's majesty, her heirs and successors, vij l. and x s. yearly, due to her highness for a pension of a chantery, sometime within the said hospital, and all other rents due unto the several lords, and all other duties and payments whatsoever, going out of the said hospital.

“ Item, It is further ordered, That the master of the said hospital for the time being shall not let for years, life, or lives, any of the said lands or tenements of the said hospital, nor make any wood-sales of the woods thereunto belonging, without the exprels consent and assent in writing of the archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, and shall yearly, between the feasts of St. Michael and St. Andrew, make a true account of all the issues and profits received of the said hospital for the year past, if it shall be demanded, to the said archbishop; so that of the surplusage (all the charges defalked) the portions of the said brethren and sisters may be increased, at the will of the archbishop, as heretofore hath been used.

¹ The last instance of expulsion by this statute was, “Sept. 9, 1738,” when “James Hoskins having been twice admonished, according to the statutes of this hospital, by the master, for the sin and vice of drunkenness; and having been several times guilty of the same vice after the said admonitions, was, according to the directions of the abovesaid statutes, expelled the hospital, by us,

JOHN LEWIS, Master of Eastbridge Hospital.
THO. DAVIS, Mayor.”

Admission Book, &c.

“ And.

“ And it is ordered, That if any of the in-brethren or sisters, master or school-master afore said, shall fortune to dye, then the person so deceasing shall and may be buried within the church-yard of the cathedral and metropolitical church of Christ, in Canterbury, according to a former agreement made between the said archbishop's predecessors and the then prior and convent of the said church.

“ And it is further ordered, That whosoever shall hereafter be instituted and inducted master of the said hospital shall take a corporal oath upon the holy Evangelists, before the said archbishop for the time being, to observe, perform, or cause to be observed and performed, all the ordinances afore said, and such as shall be hereafter set down by the archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, as much as in him lieth; and it shall be lawful for the said archbishop for the time being, from time to time, to make new decrees and ordinances tending to the increase of the revenue, further relief, and better government of the said hospital, or of the goods, lands, tenements, or other hereditaments, thereto belonging, so as the said decrees and ordinances be not repugnant to these ordinances, or to the common laws or statutes of this realm. In witness whereof we have hereunto put our seal, dated at our manor of Lambeth, the day and year first above said, anno consecrationis nostre secundo.’

These ordinances are confirmed by act of parliament, which act was obtained by the sole care and industry of archbishop Whitgift; and he not only procured the act to be passed, but had the chief hand in framing and contriving of the same: for he gave directions to some eminent lawyer to draw up the bill to be presented to the parliament; and when he had done this, he reviewed and strictly considered the several clauses of the said bill, and with his own hand made several considerable amendments; the particulars whereof are these, which I have taken out of the original itself.

The bill drawn up
by the lawyer.

“ No title.

“ Whereas a certain hospital within the city of Canterbury, commonly called or known by the name — Hospital of St. Thomas the Martyr, founded as yts reported in ancient writings, by Thomas Becket, archbishop of Canterbury, of a master and successors.

The amendments of it by the arch-
bishop's own hand-writing.

“ An act for the better foundation and relief of the poor of the hospital of Eastbridge, within the city of Canterbury.

“ Whereas a certain hospital within the city of Canterbury, now commonly called or known by the name —

Hospital of St. Thomas, founded and endowed, as it is alledged, by certain archbishops of Canterbury, of one master and his successors.

“ A free

" A free-school for certain children.

" The archbishop of Canterbury that now is.

" After the expiration of certain leases.

" Wherein are xxj years to come, or thereabouts.

" The said number of poor, and portion.

" Is but xxij l. per annum.

" The yearly charge.

" Will amount to 60 l.

" For the relief of the said poor.

" A free-school for a certain number of poor children.

" John, now archbishop of Canterbury.

" After the expiration, or determination, of certain leases.

" Wherein are not above xx and one years to come.

" The said number of poor, and the said portion.

" Is but xxij l. xvij s. ix d. per annum.

" The charge yearly.

" Will amount unto 60 l.

" For relief of the said poor.

The bill drawn up by the lawyer.

" Be it ordained and enacted, by the authority of this present parliament.

" That the said ordinance made of the said hospital by the now archbishop, and every clause.

The lawyer's opinion.

" This is provided for in the ordinance.

" * Bearing date the 20th of July, 1584. And that the said ordinance, together with this present act, shall be enrolled in the courts of chancery and exchequer, within 40 days after the end of this session of parliament.

The bill amended by the Archbishop.

" Be it ordained and enacted, by the queen's most excellent Majesty, with the assent of the lords spiritual and temporal and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same.

" That the lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and other possessions, now belonging to the said hospital, or reputed as part or parcel thereof, may and shall for ever remain unto the master of the said hospital, and his successors, masters of the same, and be employed to the godly and charitable uses limited and appointed by the said ordinance of the said most reverend father the archbishop of Canterbury that now is; and that the said ordinance made of the said hospital by the said present archbishop, and every clause.

Memorandum, the Oath added by the Archbishop.

" Memorandum, To procure a form of corporation for the said hospital, to be drawn of a master and his successors, and for a seal of the said hospital.

“ He can make no lease by the ordinance, without the consent of the archbishop.

“ It is enacted, That he shall present, &c.

“ Item, A clause to make void all leases for a longer time than the continuance of the granter, unless such leases be confirmed by the archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, under his seal; and such so to be confirmed not to exceed 21 years, or three lives at the uttermost.

“ Item, A clause to authorise the archbishop of Canterbury, and his successors, to be patrons and visitors of the said hospital from time to time, and as oft as need shall require; yet at his or their own proper costs and charges, and not of any the charges of the said hospital.

An Act for the better foundation and relief of the poor of the hospital of Eastbridge, within the city of Canterbury.

“ Whereas a certain hospital within the city of Canterbury, now commonly called or known by the name of the hospital of Eastbridge, alias the hospital of St. Thomas, founded and endowed, as it is alledged, by certain archbishops of Canterbury, of one master and his successors, which master hath been always since of the collation of the archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, and instituted and inducted into the same; and by the first ordinance hath and might take all the profits of the said hospital to his own use, bestowing only for the relief of wandering and wayfaring brethren and poor, in bread and drink, after the rate of 4d. the day, and one night's lodging for 12 persons (if so many come thither at one time), in the whole not above six pounds, two shillings and six-pence per annum, until the time of the most reverend Father in God Matthew Parker, late archbishop of Canterbury, who, by authority in a former ordinance, concerning the disposition of the profits of the said hospital to him and his successors archbishops of Canterbury, reserved to alter and change the same, did, by his ordinance in that behalf made, under his hand and seal, not only increase the said sum of six pounds two shillings and six-pence to be from thenceforth bestowed weekly upon poor uncertain inhabiting within the county and city of Canterbury, but also appointed other sums of money thereout yearly, to be paid towards the keeping of a free-school for a certain number of poor children of the county of the city of Canterbury, to be taught to write and read freely within the said hospital, and towards the finding of certain scholars in the university of Cambridge, and other like good uses. And whereas the most reverend Father in God John, now archbishop of Canterbury, finding the yearly profits of the said hospital to be greater than the yearly charges of those good uses, appointed by the said ordinances, hath, by his ordinance, made under his hand and seal, concerning the government of the said hospital, and disposition of the yearly profits thereof, not only decreed those former last recited good uses to have continuance for ever, but also hath greatly augmented and increased the portions of those former ordinances appointed for poor uncertain inhabiting within

within the said city of Canterbury, and converted the same to the relief of certain poor brethren and sisters, to be permanent within the said hospital, with a competent yearly stipend for their maintenance, and with a proviso, that after the expiration or determination of certain leases of the lands of the said hospital, wherein are not above twenty and one years to come, the said number of poor, and the said portion, shall be further increased; that is to say, from ten to twenty poor brethren and sisters, and from the now allowance of thirteen pounds, six shillings and eight-pence per annum for their relief, then after the expiration of the said leases, to twenty-six pounds thirteen shillings and four-pence per annum for ever. After which proportion, whereas the valuation of the whole hospital, by record in the exchequer, is but twenty-three pounds, eighteen shillings, and nine-pence, the charges yearly out of the profits of the said hospital, then to be employed to good and charitable uses, will amount unto sixty pounds per annum, or thereabouts, besides a further increase of relief for the said poor brethren and sisters, after the expiration of the said leases. Therefore, to avoid all scruples, ambiguities, and questions which hereafter may be moved against the good perpetuity and continuance of the said hospital, Be it ordained and enacted, by the queen's most excellent Majesty, with the assent of the lords spiritual and temporal, and the commons, in this present parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same:

“ That the lands, tenements, and hereditaments, and other possessions now belonging to the said hospital, or reputed as part or parcel thereof, may and shall for ever remain unto the master of the said hospital and his successors, masters of the same, and be employed to the godly and charitable uses limited and appointed by the said ordinance of the said most reverend Father the archbishop of Canterbury that now is, bearing date the 20th of July, one thousand five hundred eighty and four; and that the said ordinance, together with this present act, shall be enrolled in the court of chancery and exchequer, within 40 days after the end of this session of parliament; and the said ordinance made of the said hospital by the said archbishop, and every clause, article, and thing therein contained, shall and may remain and continue in full force and virtue according to the tenor, purport, and true meaning thereof, to all intents and purposes, and in manner and form as if the same were in this present act especially and particularly mentioned and rehearsed, and by the authority aforesaid enacted and confirmed, any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

“ Saving to all and every person and persons, other than the queen's majesty, her heirs and successors, and other than the donors, founders, and such as may claim from, by, or under them, or any of them, all such estate, right, title, interest, rents, and services, as they have, or may have, into the same, or any part thereof, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

“ Provided always, That whereas there is a yearly rent of seven pounds ten shillings issuing out of the lands of the said hospital, and paying yearly unto the queen's majesty, her heirs and successors, by reason of a chantery that was founded in the same hospital:

“ Be it therefore enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That her Highness, her heirs and successors, shall and may have, receive, and enjoy the said yearly rent of

seven pounds ten shillings, any thing in this act above-mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

“ Provided also, and be it enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That it shall not be lawful to any archbishop of Canterbury to make any ordinance or decree to be observed by the master of the said hospital of Eastbridge, or any other under the jurisdiction of the said master, which shall be contrary or repugnant to the laws or statutes of this realm, now in force; and that the oath to be administered to the master of the said hospital, mentioned in the said ordinance, shall be such as hereafter ensueth; viz.

“ That he shall, as much as in him lyeth, duly observe all the ordinances and decrees contained in an ordinance ratified by parliament, in the twenty-seventh year of the reign of queen Elizabeth, and all other which be or shall be made by any archbishop of Canterbury for the time being, which shall not be contrary or repugnant to the laws or statutes of this realm in force, the last day of the session of parliament, held in the 27th year of the reign of queen Elizabeth.

“ And be it likewise enacted, That none hereafter shall be collated to the mastership of the said hospital of Eastbridge, except he be a preacher allowed according to the laws and statutes of this realm now in force.

“ *Exam', Vera Copia.*

“ JOHN WALKER, Deput'

“ JOHN BROWN, Cleric' Parliament'.”

An order, that the brethren and sisters of the hospital of Eastbridge may resort to the parish church of Allhallows, to prayers, preaching, and the sacraments.

“ Hospital' de Eastbridge.

Decimo septimo die Januarii, anno Domini juxta computationem eccle Anglicane 1585, coram venerabili viro magro Stephano Lakes, legum doctore, civitat' et diocef' Cantuar' commissario generali legitime deputato in ecclâ parochiali dive Margarete intra civitatem Cantuar' judicialr seden' in p'sentiâ mei Leonardi Sweeting, Notarii publici, propter absentiam magri Francisci Aldric, Notarii publici regestrarii assumpti.

Quo die comparuerunt p'sonaliter Thomas Bateman, et Johannes Charitie, fratres in hospital' de Eastbridge, in civitate Cantuar', exempte jurisdictionis r'mi Cantuar' archiep'i qui tam nominibus suis quàm aliorum pauperum fratrum et sororum dicti hospitalis allegaverunt se hætenus ad nullam ecclâ parochialem assignari et admitti, unde humiliter petierunt se per dom' judicem assignatam admitti in aliquam ecclâ parochialem arbitrio domini judicis assignand' unde dominus ad eorum petitionem decrevit et assignavit in forma sequenti; viz. Quod quilibet pauperum fratrum et sororum dicti hospitalis ecclâ parochialem Omnium Sanctorum in civitate Cantuar', vocat' vulgariter Alhallowes, ad audiend' divina diebus dominicis et

et festivis frequentabunt, et ad p̄cipiend' Eucharistiam in eadem, juxta jura, constituta, et consuetudinem hujus regni Anglie modo stabilit' nec non injunxit eis ad solvend' ministro dicte eccle pro tempore existen' feoda sacramentaria prout juris est et equitatis (salvis semper r'mo archiepo Cantuar', et ejus comissario generali civitat' et diocel' Cantuar' et aliis suis officiariis testamentorum approbationibus ibm decedentium ac bonorum hujusmodi defunctorum administrationis comissionibus de tempore in tempus, ac feodis constitutis, &c.) Et dominus, ad eorum petitiones, decrevit hoc decretum intimand' fore cunctis interessse habentibus dictis fratribus consens' et acceptan', &c.

“Concordat cum actis curie penes regrum curiæ comi' archiep̄alis Cantuar' remanum, fact' diligenti collatione p̄ me Willm Somner, notarium publicum, magri Francisci Aldriche, regrarii, deputat'.

Lib. Actorum, 1584, folio 24.

Oct. 11, 1587. Ex registro hospitalis.

“It was ordered, That every of the in-brothers of the hospital, in course, shall weekly lock the door of the hospital every night after the corfeu bell hath rung, immediately, and deliver the key unto the school-master of the the said hospital; and that none of them shall burn any wood but in the chimney and common place appointed for that purpose, upon pain of admonition, according to ordinance.

“THOMAS LAWSE, [Master.]”

“Those who dye in the hospital, and are to buried in the church-yard of the cathedral church, according to the statutes of the hospital, are to be buried on the west-side of the cloysters; as the ancient accustomed place.” See the register, A. D. 1614.

In Mr. Battely's MS. in this place follows.

1. A rental of the revenues belonging to the hospital of Eastbridge, made anno 29, R. R. Eliz. A. D. 1587, Oct. 10.
2. A terrier of lands belonging to the hospital of Eastbridge, made June 10, 1596, with a letten by lease, to John Cheese, which lie in Cockering, containing by estimation 30 acres, and lie in 8 several parcels.

This terrier was made, after the decease of the said John Cheese, by Edward Strong, who married the wife of the said John Cheese, who hath her life in the said lease.

3. Aricles

3. Articles of agreement made the 12th of July, in the 31st year of our sovereign lady queen Elizabeth, between John Boys, esquire, and John Rose, alderman of the city of Canterbury.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

JO. CANTUAR¹

R. DOVER².

WM. AUBREY.

4. Memorandum, That the dean and chapter of the cathedral church of Christ, in Canterbury, by decree in their chapter-general, holden at the Feast of St. John the Baptist, 1585, did give one small bell, called a Wackerel, to the use of the hospital of Eastbridge, to be hanged up in the chapel, for the calling together of the brothers and sisters to their appointed service there. (Taken out of the register book of the hospital.)

5. Quit-rents belonging to the manor of Blean and Hoath-court.

6. Quit-rents unpaid for many years, 1724.

7. Quit-rents of Blean manor, 1725.

8. An account of the several leases of Cockering farm.

9. Leases of Pitholes in Harboldown, and Lompits in St. Dunstone's parish.

10. Leases of two tenements in St. Peter's parish, and half an acre of meadow in Medlane.

11. Leases of the King's-head, in All Saints parish.

12. Leases of two small pieces of land in St. Peter's parish.

13. Leases of Mrs. George's houses in High-street, in All Saints parish.

14. Leases of Bromedune, or Long Harris Croft, in Harboldown.

15. Leases of the tithes of Harboldown,

16. Leases of the eleven acres of land in St. Laurence-field, in the parish of St. Mary Bredin.

17. Five tenements and a shop.

18. Leases of Hoath Court and Eaftry Lees, &c.

19. The Master's house.

1630. John Sacket to John Jacob Vander Slaert

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Let to Mr. Tuck, at the rent of

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20. At a Court Baron holden the 8th day of October, in the 15th year of the reign of our sovereign lady Elizabeth, &c.

At the said court it is ordered, that the surveyors appointed shall monthly drive the common, and put all strangers cattle, and such cattle of the tenants and their farmers as be there kept above their rates limited, into the pound, until satisfaction be made for the trespasses done, viz. for every horse, gelding, mare, cow, or ox iiijd. and for every sheep ob. thone moiety to the lord, and the other to the surveyors.

Item, That it is ordered, that if any person do keep any hogs upon the common unryngled, after the feast of St. Luke next, that then the owner of every hog so taken, or found unryngled, [pay] iiijd.

p me, GILBERTUM HYDE,

Senescallum ibm.

Copia vera, ita testor NIC. BATTELY.

¹ Archbishop Whitgift.

² Dr. Roger, suffragan bishop, dean of Canterbury, 1584.

21. BLEAN et } Visus franc' pleg' cum cur' tent' ibm xmo die mensis Aprilis,
 HOATH. } anno regni dñe nri Elizabethe Dei gratia, Anglie, Francie, et
 Hibernie, regine, fidei defens', &c. xmo.

Thomas Qweyffe, Jokes Pyrkyne, Stepheus Bassock, Henricus Crippin, Thomas Hunt, Joannes Smith, Thomas Coping, Willus Wix, hent diem p mandatum dñi citra prox' visum ad c̄tificand' quot catalla quietet debet depascare super cōe de Blean, et si hoc non possunt quod tunc c̄tificant quot catalla p̄d' cōe potest depascare in anno.

Copia vera, ita testor ego NIC. BATTELY.

22. BLEAN et } Vise franc' pleg' cum cur' tent' ibm 17 Octob, anno R. R. Eliz.
 HOATH. } undecimo.

Elegerunt ad sup̄vidend' cōe de Blene quod nullus p̄mittat porcos suos ibm depascare nisi prius sint annulati et quod nullus occupat cōe cum pecoribus suis nisi sit tenens hujus manerii, viz. Willus Morrys, et Joannem Tredsoffe.

23. Mr. Sabine's Gift to the Hospital.

Mr. Avery Sabine, late alderman of the city of Canterbury, did, by his last will, give and bequeath a certain annuity, or rent-charge, of 20l. per annum, for certain charitable uses, as by his will may appear more at large: for the faithful discharge of this trust, he appointed certain feoffees, viz. Thomas Hardres, Edward Roberts, Robert Kitchel, Thomas Gold, Thomas Tressar, William Whiting, and Leonard Brown; and when the major part of these shall dye, the feoffment is to be renewed; and then follow these words:

"The said trustees shall for ever hereafter pay ten marks a year, parcel of the annuity or rent-charge of 20l. a year, unto ten poor in-brothers and sisters for the time being of the hospital called Eastbridge, within the city of Canterbury, by equal payments, every year quarterly, at the Feasts aforesaid, or within 21 days next after every of the said feasts, that is to say, every quarter 3s. 4d. a-piece to every of the ten brothers and sisters." Also,

They shall lay out 12l. parcell of the said 20l. to cloath ten poor people in the city of Canterbury, on the Feast of St. Andrew, yearly; and the overplus shall bear the charges of renewing the said feoffment, or be divided between the poor people of the city of Canterbury, as by the will is more fully expressed.

All the lands of the said Mr. Avery Sabine, lying in Monketon, in the Isle of Thanet, are bound for the payment of this rent-charge. The will was dated Nov. 22, A.D. 1648.

Excerpt' ex ipso originali,

p̄ me, NIC. BATTELY.

24. A clause taken out of Mr. Somner's will.

"As to my messuages and hereditaments in St. Margaret's, Cant', St. Andrew's, and St. Mary Bredman, in case my son dyes without issue of his body lawfully begotten, I give the same to Elizabeth wife of Mr. John Lukener, of the city of Canterbury, Hatter, and the heirs of her body: and for the want of such heirs, to the prior, brothers, and sisters, of the hospital of Kingsbridge, and their successors for ever."

On the like conditions he gives his lands in Chartham, and in Romney Marsh, to the hospitals of Northgate and Harbledown.

The will is dated Aug. 26, 1679.

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25. An account of the real and extended value of the several lands, messuages, &c. which are let out by lease, belonging to the hospital, being directions for the renewing of the leases.

26. Captain Terry's house, the King's-head in High-street, lets to the present tenant, at p annum

Mr. Stredwick, 11 acres in St. Laurence Field, now worth above

22l. p annum

Mrs. George, at full or rather more than

Mrs. Green, 5 tenements

and a shop

1. To Ruglton, p annum

2. Goodm' H.

3. Goodw' Posly

4. Eastman

5. Willmot

6. Beverton

Mr. Turner, 2 tenements in St. Peter's, to Brown

to Mr. Peter's

Cockering rents formerly (but now they are fallen)

Now not above 10l. p annum

1753, at 12l. p annum

Pitholes, p annum

Lome pits, p annum

Mudhouse, p annum

Mr. Hall's garden

Harboldown tithes, of 36 acres of hop-ground, and 24 acres of

arable land, about

27. A true account of the revenues of the hospital of Eastbridge,

as it is at this day, A.D. 1691.

Rents received.

Lease of Hoath-court, to the lady Head, for 3 lives

Lease of Nicolas Stredwick for 21 years, for 11 acres in St. Laurence-

field, p annum

Lease of Mrs. Green for 21 years, for Cockering lands

Lease of Mr. Lowth for 21 years, for Lompits and Pitholes, and the

tithes of Harboldown

Lease of Mr. Hall for land in Harboldown, and two pieces of land in

St. Peter's, for 21 years

Lease of Mrs. Green for 40 years, for 5 tenements

Lease of Mrs. George for several tenements, for 40 years

Lease of Mrs. Turner for 2 tenements in St. Peter's, for 40 years

Lease of Mr. Terry for 40 years, for the King's Head, a tenement in

High-street

Rent

Rent upon leases, p annum, quarterly paid.

Besides, the vault lets for, p annum	1	6	8
Mr. Hall pays for a piece of the master's garden, and for the royalty of fishing, p annum	0	6	8
Mr. Crisp's estate in Burchington	0	11	8
Mrs. Petib's estate in Burchington	0	8	4
Dry rent issuing out of certain tenements in and about Canterbury, (See p. 358.)	2	9	1
Quit-rents belonging to the manor of Blean (See p. 353.)	4	15	4
24 loads of wood, at 10s. p load, out of the manor	12	0	0
Hay and straw to the master out of the manor of Blean	2	0	0
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The master's house lets for	95	5	9
	6	0	0
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	101	5	9

Besides these, are the fines upon the renewing of the leases; and alderman Sabine's gift of 13s. 4d. a-piece by the year; which gift comes not into the master's hand, but is paid by one of the aldermen of the city.

28. A true account of the disbursements.

To the in-brothers and sisters, p annum	28	0	0
To the out-brothers and sisters, p annum	13	6	8
To the school-master—his wages, p annum	4	0	0
Livery-coat	0	13	4
Rent-gathering	1	6	8
Additional salary upon increase of rent in Mr. Hall's lease	0	16	0
Brooms to sweep the chapel, 6d. p quarter	0	2	0
Books for the scholars, pens, ink, and paper, formerly p annum 1l. the scholars now increasing, comes to	2	0	0
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Exhibition to Bene't College	50	4	8
Charge of sending the money to London	6	13	4
Pension to the king	0	1	0
Acquit and return of money	7	10	0
Tenths at Christmas	0	3	0
Acquit	2	7	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Master's salary	0	0	4
Rent of his house	6	13	4
Rent of Mr. Hall's garden	6	0	0
Wood to the master and the poor	0	6	8
Making of the wood	12	0	0
Hay and straw to the master	1	4	0
Lease in the dry rents and quit-rents, about	2	0	0
Formerly for sweeping the bridge (which of late hath been paid by the poor), and is now again paid by the master	1	10	0
	0	10	0
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	97	4	2 $\frac{1}{2}$

So there remains about 3l. p annum for the maintaining of reparations, and keeping of the court at Blean, and other extraordinary charges; besides the profits of the fines upon the renewing the leases.

“ 29. Bene't College, Cambridge.

The foundation of two Scholars by Archbishop PARKER, out of Eastbridge Hospital, in Canterbury.

“ THIS indenture, made the twenty-second day of May, in the eleventh year of the reign of our sovereign lady Elizabeth, by the grace of God, queen of England, France, and Ireland, defender of the Faith, &c. betwixt William Morphet, clerk, master of the hospital of the poor of Eastbridge, in the city of Canterbury, on the one part, and John Pory, Dr. of Divinity, and keeper of the college of Corpus Christi and the blessed Virgin Mary, in Cambridge, and the fellows and scholars of the said college, on the other part, witnesseth, that the said parties, and every of them, for them and their successors, do covenant and grant, with the other and his or their successors, in manner and form following: First, the said William, master of the said hospital, with the consent of the most reverend father, Matthew, Archbishop of Canterbury, metropolitane of all England, and primate, and patron of the said hospital, covenanteth and granteth, for him and his successors, to and with the said John, master and keeper of the said college, and the fellows and scholars of the same, and their successors, that he, his successors and assigns, shall yearly pay unto the said master or keeper, fellows or scholars, or their assigns, to the use of the said college, at the quire door of the church of Westminster, on the west part of the said church, at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel, or within thirty days next following the said feast, the sum of six pounds, thirteen shillings, and four-pence, of lawful money of England, for and during the term of two hundred years next ensuing the date hereof. And further, that if it happen the said yearly payment to be behind unpaid, at the place aforesaid, after the said term of thirty days, and there lawfully demanded by the sufficient deputy of the said master or keeper, and fellows or scholars, then the said master of the hospital and his successors shall pay unto the said master or keeper, and fellows or scholars, for every such default of payment, three pounds six shillings and eight-pence, of lawful money of England, in the name of a pain, over and besides the sum of six pounds, thirteen shillings, and four-pence, of yearly payment, with the reasonable costs and charges of suit and travail for the same, during all the said term of two hundred years: In consideration whereof the said master or keeper, and fellows or scholars, covenant and grant for them and their successors, to and with the said master of the hospital and his successors, that they the said master and keeper, and fellows or scholars, and their successors, shall and will admit and receive into the said college of Corpus Christi, and the blessed Virgin Mary, for the increase of the number of scholars there, over and besides the ordinary number now in the said college, two scholars, to be chosen, named, examined, and approved, by the master of the said hospital, and the dean of Christ Church, in Canterbury, for the time being, and their successors, if any dean shall then be, or else by the master only, and to be taken by him or them out of the free-school in Canterbury, being such of the scholars there as are or shall be born within the county of Kent, and sent to the said college at Cambridge, which two shall be called Canterbury Scholars: And that after such admittance and receipt, the said scholars shall remain and continue in the said college, according to the orders, decrees, and statutes of the said college, and shall have of the provision of the said master or keeper, fellows or scholars, and their successors, convenient chamber, commons, barber, launder, reading, and other necessities as other scholars in

in the said college have had and enjoyed, and shall have and enjoy in the said college, according to common custom, or otherwise, for and during the term of two hundred years next ensuing the date hereof. And further do covenant and grant, that when and so often as it shall happen, any of the said scholars so named and admitted in form aforesaid, to be expelled, or otherwise removed from the said college, or benefits aforesaid, by any manner of means, that then they the said master or keeper, fellows or scholars, and their successors, will and shall receive and admit, from time to time, into the said college, other such scholar or scholars, to enjoy the rooms, scholarships, and benefits aforesaid, as shall be from time to time chosen, examined, and approved by the master of the said hospital and his successors, for the time being, with the consent of the said dean of Christ Church, in Canterbury, and his successors, for the time being (if any dean shall be then), or else by the master only, out of the said school of Canterbury as aforesaid, to the said college, which scholar or scholars shall have and enjoy all such profits and commodities as the other did and should have had and enjoyed, by the customs, orders, and statutes of the said college, during all the said term of two hundred years. And that if default at any time shall be had or made by the said master or keeper, fellows or scholars, and their successors, in refusing to admit or receive the said scholars, or any of them so chosen, examined, and approved of in form aforesaid, and sent to the said college by the letter subscribed by the hand of the said master, and dean of the said church, or their successors, if any dean be, or else by the hand of the said master only; or in allowance of necessities in form above-mentioned, that then for every refusal of such scholars, or any default by them contrary to the covenant in these indentures expressed, they shall pay to the master of the hospital, and his successors, the sum of twenty shillings of lawful money of England, with the reasonable costs of suit and travail in and about the same: And further do covenant with the master of the said hospital, and his successors, that within six weeks after every expulsion, or removing of any scholar admitted or received from the said college, the said master or keeper, fellows or scholars, and their successors or assigns, shall make notice to the master of the said hospital, or his successors, of the said expulsion or removing. In witness whereof, as well the master of the said hospital, for him and his successors, as also the said master or keeper, and fellows or scholars, for them and their successors, to these indentures have interchangeably set their seals. Dated the day and year first above written."

30. A perfect and true terrier of all the lands and other commodities belonging to the manor of Blean and Hoth Court, in the parish of St. Cosmus and Damian on the Blean, in the county of Kent, declaring the names and contents in the several fields, with the tenements belonging thereunto, of the demise and grant of John Lewis, clerk, of Minster, in the Isle of Thanet, master of the Hospital of Eastbridge, alias St. Thomas in the city of Canterbury, unto John Boys, of Hoth-Court, esquire, and Elizabeth his wife, now farmers of the said manor, made and delivered unto the said master, according to a composition and article comprized within the said demise on the part of the said John Boys and Elizabeth his wife, their executors and assigns, to be done and accomplished at or before the sealing of the said demised lease, which was from the day of the date thereof, as plainly appeareth in the said demise, dated the twentieth day of March, in the fifth year of the reign of our sovereign lord George the Second, &c. annoque Domini 1731.

31. Copies of several leases of lands belonging to Eastbridge hospital.

The Priory of St. GREGORY, in Canterbury.

In the Northgate-Street, over-against the Hospital of St. John, Archbishop Lanfranc founded [a church, in honour of St. Gregory, the Pope], for secular priests, A. D. 1084; but Archbishop William [*temp.* Hen. I.] made it a priory of [Black Canons, or] Regulars. *Leland.*

Eadmerus says, these canons were to “administer to the infirm
“people of St. John’s hospital whatsoever was necessary for the
“good of their souls, and to take care also of their burial.” And Somner supposes it to have been “the first house of Regular
“Canons in the kingdom.” On July 2, 1145, the church, we are informed by Gervase, was burnt.

Archbishop Hubert confirmed this priory and its revenues. See Dugdale’s *Monasticon*, vol. II. p. 373, where these Charters are printed.

The names of some of the priors.

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| 1. Dunstan, A. D. 1187. | Gerv. col. 1497. | |
| 2. Thomas, A. D. 1227. | | } Regist. Cant. |
| 3. Nicolas, A. D. 1244. | | |
| 4. Hugh, A. D. 1263. | | |
| 5. William, A. D. 1271. | | |
| 6. Henry, A. D. 1278. He was prior also the xth of kal. Apr. 1276; also A. D. 1275, when he and Nicolas [Thorn] abbot of St. Austin’s sealed a writing, or certificate, of some grants made to the church of Canterbury. | | |
| 7. Guy, A. D. 1293. Thorn, col. 1961. | | |
| 8. Elias of Sandwich, 1294. | | |
| 9. Robert of Winchepe, died A. D. 1349. | | |
| 10. William atte Thorn, installed June 10, 1349. | | |
| 11. Thomas, A. D. 1403. | | |
| 12. William of Canterbury, 1413. | | |
| 13. Thomas, A. D. 1443. | | |
| 14. Dr. Thomas Wellys, Bishop of Sidon, Sept. 26, 1515, and Jun. 28, 1521. | | |
| 15. William, | | |



View of S.^t Gregory's Priory, Canterbury



*Ruins of S.^t Thomas's Chapel, Canterbury.
as they appeared in 1781.*

15. William, 1531. He was at the convocation in that year, and was one of those that gave a negative voice to the question then proposed. See the Specimen of Errors in Burnet's History of the Reformation, p. 195.

16. John Symkins, the last prior¹.

At cardinal Bouchier's visitation there were only five canons, besides the prior; but [about the time of the Dissolution, here were thirteen religious, who were endowed with the yearly revenue of 121l. 15s. 1d. per ann. *Dugdale*. 166l. 4s. 5½d. *Speed*. Lambard reckons it only 30l. The site was granted, 28 Henry VIII. to the archbishop of Canterbury, in exchange for Wimbleton. *Tanner*.

It is now held, on a lease from his grace, by George Gipps, esq. one of the present members for Canterbury. The precinct, or vill, maintains its own poor, and is extra-parochial.

Mr. Gostling's account of its present state is as follows:

"Part of this priory is now standing, but not a great deal, only one large room, unless the buildings of the street may be looked on as the lodgings of the poor and sick, who were provided for there. The ground belonging to its precinct is almost entirely laid out in gardens for our market. The chapel of St. Thomas (whose ruins are there) had over the door, at the west end of it, a handsome old arch, which the archbishop's lessee took down some years ago, to make a portal to his own dwelling-house, at St. Thomas's-hill; but that being fold and rebuilt, a curious gentleman² in the country, by adapting the front of one of his out-buildings to it, has preserved this piece of antiquity, and added to the beauties of his seat."

The little that remains of this ancient structure may be seen in the view of it given in plate IX. fig. 1.; and the ruins of St. Thomas's chapel in fig. 2.]

¹ On the dissolution of the priory, he had a pension of 20l. per ann. from the king, till, on the foundation of the collegiate church of Rochester, he was admitted one of the first prebendaries, and lived there till March 14, 1553, when he was deprived for being married. He had been a monk of St. Bartholomew's, in London. Dr. BATTELY.

² The late reverend Mr. Brockman, of Beachborough.

Indentura inter priores ecclesiarum Christi et S^{ti} Gregorij, Cantuar', de quibusdam jocalibus legatis dicte eccleie S^{ti} Gregorij, p^r dñum Rogerum Herun, quondam rectorem sive magrum eccleie collegiate de Maydestan, non aliendis, ut patet inferius.

PRESENTS indentura facta 26to die Maii, anno r. R. Henrici sexti, Anglie et Francie vicesimo primo, inter venerabilem patrem Johannem, priorem eccleie Christi, Cant', et ejusdem capitulum (sede vacante) ex parte una, et Thomam priorem eccleie S^{ti} Gregorij Cantuar' p^r ex parte altera, testatur, quod p^r Joannes, prior eccleie Christi Cant', et ejusdem capitulum, ex assensu et consensu omnium executorum Rogeri Herun, clerici, cujus corpus in ecclesia S^{ti} Gregorij p^rdict' sepelitur, tradiderunt et deliberaverunt p^rfato Thome, priori S^{ti} Gregorij, quedam jocalia argentea, viz. duas pelves argent' cum ij lavacris argent' ponderant' cxxvi unc' et j quart' ij potellers argent' ponderant' lxxvi unc' et dimid': et unum magnum cyphum argent' cum co-opculo ad eundem ponderantem clxxviii unc' et dimid' ad laudem et honorem Dei, et in ppetuam rei memoriam, p salute anime p^rfati Rogeri in prioratu S^{ti} Gregorij p^r ad usum refectorij ejusdem prioratus imperpetuum remansura. Ita quod non licebit p^rfato Thome priori, neque successoribus suis, p^rdicta jocalia, nec aliquod eorundem, vendere, alienare, seu cuicunque quovismodo impignorare, nisi magna et urgens causa illud requirat, et in casu illa impignorentur, sive aliquod eorundem impignoretur, sufficienti persone p consensum cap^tli ejusdem ecclie S^{ti} Gregorij, ac etiam licentia et assensu prioris eccleie Christi Cant', qui pro tunc fuerit, et aliter non. Et si contingat p^r Thomam, modò priorem, aut successores, aliquo tali casu urgente, p^rdicta jocalia seu aliquod eorundem, alicui impignorare, quod p^r nunc prior et omnes successores sui jocalia illa sic impignorata, seu jocale illud sic impignoratum, infra annum post impignorationem illam ad prioratum p^rdict' rehabeant seu rehabeantur, et ad ista fideliter p se et successores suos observanda p^rfatus Thomas, prior S^{ti} Gregorij, coram p^rdicto venerabili patre Joanne, priore eccleie Christi, corporale suum p^rstabit juramentum. Et omnes successores ejusdem prioris S^{ti} Gregorij in suâ primâ creatione eidem venerabili priori eccleie Christi Cant' et successoribus suis consimile p^rstabunt juramentum. In cujus rei testimonium hⁱis indenturis p^rdicti venerabiles patres Johannes, prior eccleie Christi, et Thomas, prior eccleie S^{ti} Gregorij, sigilla sua alternatim apposuerint, die et anno suprascriptis.

Henry, prior, and the convent, granted to William de Hunt a chantry in the chapel of Wadenhal, in the parish of Waltham, dated 1276, 10 kal. Apr.

The lands and rents anciently belonging to the priory of St. Gregory, out of the leiger-book of the priory of St. Gregory.

Goldstanton. A lease was made by the prior and convent 13^e Henry IV. of the grange of Goldstanton, and all the tithes thereto belonging.

Northfleet. Certain corn, &c. for tithe out of the archbishop's demesnes of the manor of Northfleet, viz. 8 acr' succis' messis', 4 frumenti, et 4 ordeï, in terra meliori de manerio archiep'i in Northfleet. There are two receipts of 40s. p annum, by the prior and convent for 4 acres of wheat, and 4 acres of barley, for tithes of the manor of Northfleet.

Beatrifden. Hadingfeld, 43 acres $\frac{1}{2}$. Holmis, 14 acr. $\frac{1}{2}$.

Horsenlees, 17 acres $\frac{1}{4}$. Buttervale, 3 acr.

Courtwood, 3 acres $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$. Burckmede, 3 acr.

Berham. vi marc' p annum de rectoria de Bishopborn, p decimis dominis de Berham.

St. Gregoreyes possessions, out of an old taxation.

Ecclia de Tanington.

Ecclia de Northgate.

Ecclia de Westgate.

Ecclia S^ti Dunstani.

Ecclia de Natinden.

Ecclia de Walther.

Ecclia de Elmeftide.

Ecclia de Betherifden.

Ecclia de Stratesfeld.

Ecclia de Orefni decanatu de Ausprig.

Ecclia de Lethingesborn, alias Bekefborn, in decanatu de Bregge.

Decime de Richbourn.

Decime de Bishoppesbourn.

Decime apud Goldstanton, Gooſhall, et in campo vocato Hartſland, et Holdan juxta Wingham.

Decime in Pluckley.

Portio in Northfleet.

Temporalia.

ij marks pension p decimis dominij de Pluckley.

Decime in Hawle in Eaſtenham.

In eodem libro.

Compoſitio vicarie de Elmſtede.

Compoſitio vicarie de Northgate.

Compoſitio vicarie S^ti Dunſtani.

Compoſitio de Weſtgate.

Pro patronatu vicar' de Weſtgate.

A recovery of the parſon of Harboldown, unius ſumme frumenti, et duarum ſummarum hordei, p decimis in Harboldown ſpectant' priorat' de S^to Gregorio: exceptis decimis majoribus dominij de Denſted, que ſpectant dicti prioratui.

This recovery was, anno 42^o Edw. III.

An account of the poſſeſſions of the priory, 4 Hen. V.

Inter alia, p decimis in Weſtbery, p rector' de Orty [Hartey] near Feverſham, p molendino vocato Spaffet Mill, p xvj acris terre, vocat' Oker, et 8 acris in Northgate, p decimis in Yldenton in parochia de Adiſham, p ij tenementis in civitate Roſſenſi. Alſo rents of aſſize and pensions.

Decime prioris et conventus S^ti Gregorij, Cant', in feodo de Goldeſtaveſtone, cum decimis eorundem que pervenerint de quodam campo domini archiep'i, qui vocatur

catur Hodame, jacentē juxta Wengham, xv marc'. Ex libro MS. in Biblioth' ecclie Christi, Cant'.

Eccleie appropriate priori S̄ti Gregorij registrantur in reğro Henrici, prioris ecclesie Christi, Cant', p. 141.

Ex libro MS. Tho. Hales. Domino archiepiscopo Cant', pro uno messuagio et terris apud Cokeryng, in parochia de Thanynghon, nuper prioratūs S̄ti Gregorij, extra Northgate civitatis Cant', ac antea Johannis Ramsey, solut' anno 1 Edw' VI. ad Thomam Hales—vj].

Carta Lanfranci archiepiscopi de fundatione prioratus S̄ti Gregorij. Vide Monast' Anglic', vol. II. p. 373.

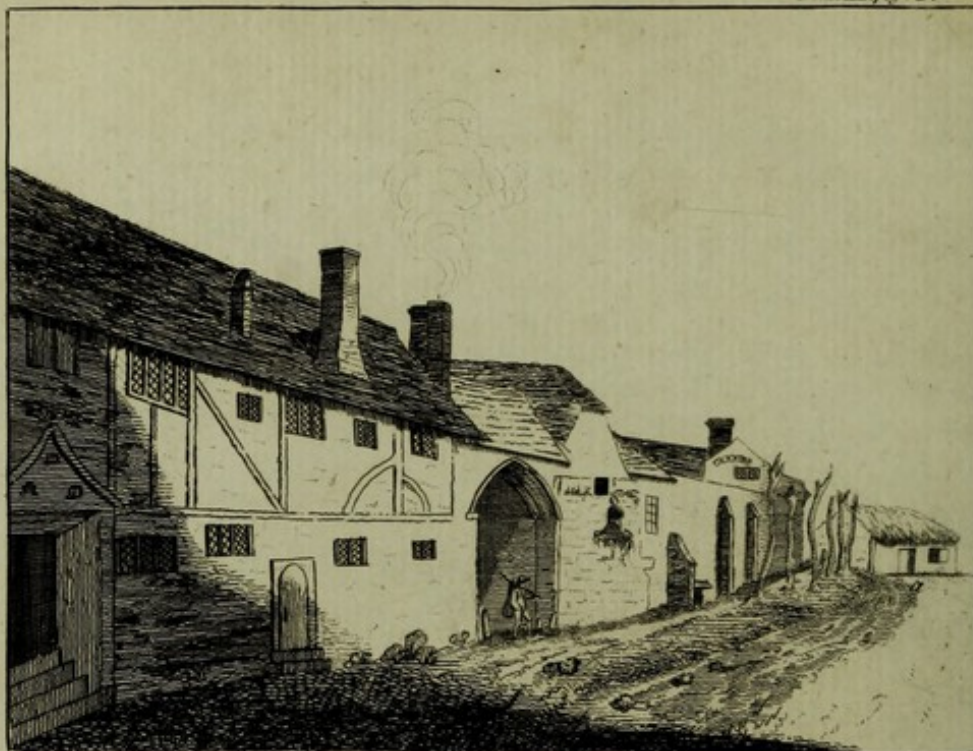
Carta Huberti archiepi Cant' de eodem. Ibid, p. 374.

Taxatio temporalium et spiritualium prioratūs St. Gregorii. Ibid, p. 374.

Lanfrancus archiepus, primus fundator, instituit canonicos seculares; Gulielmus archiepus canonicos regulares induxit. Lelandi Collectan' Vol. I. p. 84. Monast' Anglic', vol. II. p. 375.

[“ The chapel of St. Thomas (mentioned p. 421) was called (as I find by the will of one William Harry, of St. Martin, A. D. 1461, who gave a legacy to it,) *The Chapel of the Brotherhood of St. Thomas the Martyr, situate in the garden of St. Gregory's.*” So says Somner, who closes his discourse of the priory with the following memorandum, touching the water-course of Christ-church running through this part of it. “ *Memorandum*, faith a “ Book of Christ-church, concerning a charter of the prior and “ convent of St. Gregory's by Canterbury making particular “ mention of this matter, wherein it is expressed, That they shall “ preserve, as far as they can, a water-course of the prior and “ convent of Christ-church in Canterbury, which runs through “ their orchard, safe and free from damage; and that they shall “ grant free liberty of ingress, egress, and regress through their “ court and gate to the workmen of Christ-church as often as it “ shall be necessary for them to repair the same water-course. “ [In the same agreement it is further added, That they should “ send in dinner-time into the refectory of Christ-church a basket “ of the best fruit on or before the 15th day of September, every “ year; and should further pay the sum of eight pence, as a yearly “ rent for a small piece of land there, belonging formerly to the “ archdeacon. N. B.] Dated in July, A. D. 1227.”

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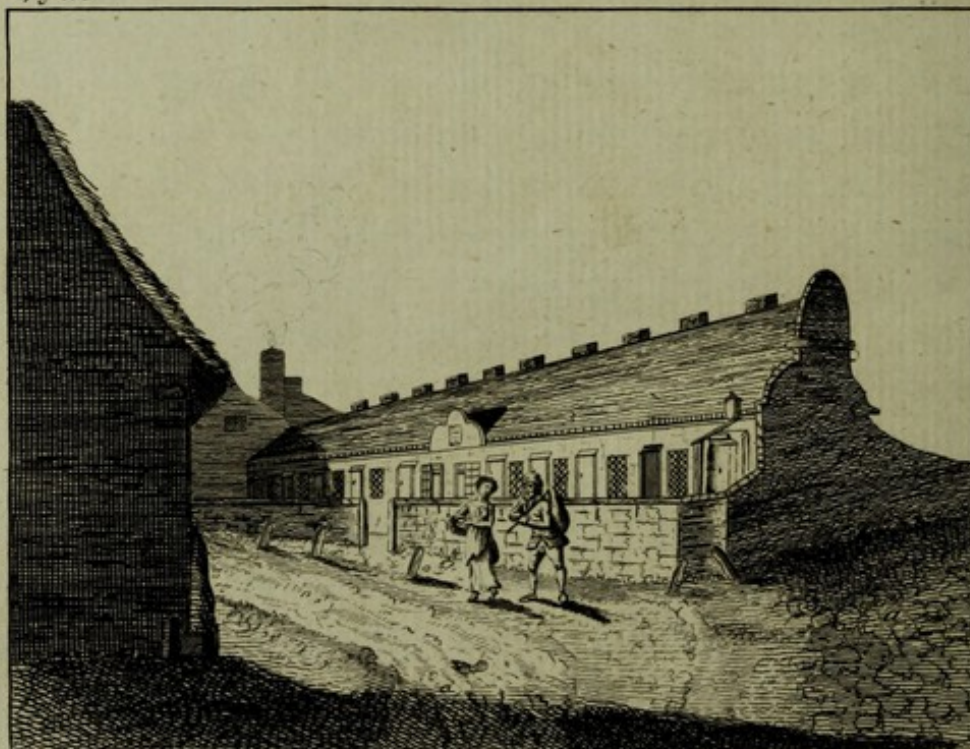


W. Greenbridge del. 1785.

W. View of St. Sepulchre's Nunnery, Canterbury

a. Road to Dover.

fig. 2.



W. Greenbridge del. 1785.

N.E. View of Maynard's Spital, Canterbury.

a. Stour street.

Their temporalities in the year 1292, in Canterbury, Natyn-don [Nackington], Hugevelde, Chertham, Tanynton, and Her-baldoun, were together valued at xxvi. xvs. Their titheries, in the same year, were the parsonages at Taynton [Thanington], Westgate, Northgate, St. Dunstan, Natindon, Livingsborn [Beakf-bourn], Waltham, Elmstede, Betherfdenne, Stallesfield. Together with certain titheries in Goldstaneston [Goodneston], Berham, Plukele [Hluckley], and Risseburn [Rushbourn?]. *Lib. Eccl. Cbr. Cant.*

Nunnery of St. SEPULCHRE.

In the south-east part of Canterbury was a Benedictine nunnery, founded by archbishop Anselm about A. D. 1100. It was called St. Sepulchre's, and had [a prioress, and] five or seven nuns. *Speed.*

Its principal benefactors to it were William Calvel, citizen of Canterbury, King Richard I. ¹, and the prior and convent of Christ Church.

A. D. 1184. The parsonage of St. Edmund of Ridingate was granted to it by the abbot and convent of St. Augustine's, which church was afterwards united, with the consent of the nuns, to St. Mary Bredin, A. D. 1349. To the vicar of this parish they paid a yearly pension of 60s.

This nunnery was dissolved 28 Henry VIII. and valued then at 38l. 10s. 7½d. *Speed.* 29l. 12s. 5½d. *Dugd.*

The site was granted, 30 Henry VIII. in lieu of some other lands, to the archbishop of Canterbury, but afterwards, 30 Henry VIII. to James Hales. *Tanner.*

¹ After this prince had given the wood, or forest, of Blean to Christ Church, W. the prior and convent of the same granted to this nunnery, and the prioress and convent thereof, as much wood as one horse going twice a day could fetch thence, where the church wood-reeves should appoint; which uncertainty, in the year 1270, the nuns releasing, had in lieu, and by way of exchange for it, a certain part or portion of the said Blean wood [90 acres] assigned and made over to them, as appears from the words of the deed; the which wood retains to this day the name of *Minchen-wood*, taking its name from the nuns, which our ancestors, from the Saxon *Dynecena*, called *Minchens*. *Somner.*

Reg̃rum H. ecclie Christi, Cant', fol. 118.

Moniales S̃ti Sepulchri solvebant ecclie Christi, Cant'.

Pro Petro Columbyn et Ricardo Mercatore ad festum S̃ti Joannis, vs. iij d.

Pro Joanne, filio Morini, ad festum S̃ti Michaelis, vjd.

Pro eodem ad festum S̃ti Joannis Baptiste, vjd.

Item ibm extra tarram ad festum S̃ti Michaelis, iiis. jd. &c.

Redditus quos debent Thesaurarii monialibus S̃ti Sepulchri.

Ad festum S̃ti Mich. ix. s. iij d. Ad Natale [Christi] ix. s. iij d. Ad Pasch' ix. s. iij d. Ad festum St. Joan' Bapt' ix. s. iij d.

Item eisdem in Cantuaria.—Ad fest' S̃ti Mich' x $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Ad medium xlme [Mid Lent] —xij d. Item ad eundem terminum, x $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

In 1365, Cecilia Thornford, prioress of St. Sepulchre's, resigned her place into the hands of Simon [Langham] archbishop of Canterbury, who sent his letters, dated at Maghfeld, Feb. 19, A. D. 1365, to Robert [Hathbrand] Prior of Canterbury, commissioning him to elect a new prioress. Accordingly, on March 3, he went to the priory or church of St. Sepulchre's, and calling all the nuns together, he elected, confirmed, and installed Joan de Cheriton, one of the sisters of that house, and in all respects rightly qualified to be the prioress.

Archbishop Morton, by his last will, gave lands near Maidstone, in the Mote park, and a mill near the same park, to the church of Canterbury, the archbishop and his successors, to the end that he and his successors for ever should pay yearly to the prioress and nuns of St. Sepulchre's eight marks to find a priest to celebrate mass within the said nunnery, in a chantery founded in the same by John de Bourn, formerly rector of Frackenhams, in the time of archbishop Wittlesey.

In the taxation in the archdeacon's black book, A. D. 1292, the temporalities of these nuns were thus rated: "In Canterbury and the suburb, Bishopesbourn, Taynton, [Thanington] Hackyn-ton, and Little Hardres, xii. l. x. s. v. d. tenths xxv. s. $\frac{1}{2}$ d."

"At this place," says Somner, "sometime one Elizabeth Barton, more vulgarly known by the name of the Holy Maid of Kent, that great impostor of her time, was a veiled nun and votarefs. Whose pranks and practices, or rather the monks and other papalists, by her agency, are obvious both in our statutes and stories. . . . " It

“ It seems the parish church of St. Sepulchre was born down
 “ in the same fall with the nunnery. For however frequent
 “ mention may be found, both of parish, church, and church-
 “ yard also before, yet since the suppression, the place of the two
 “ latter is unknown, the limits of the other uncertain, and the
 “ memory of all three almost extinct. Only that stone-gate by
 “ the turning on your left hand to Dover-ward, seems to have
 “ been the western door of the church¹, as I collect by this
 “ boundary”: “ Of the land which lieth over against the church
 “ of the Holy Sepulchre, nigh a street by which they go toward
 “ Dudendale [now Morton-farm], on the south-side of the said
 “ church.” “ The boundary of the piece of ground directly over-
 “ against it. The last lady prioress of this house, by name Dame
 “ Philip John [Philippa Joan], lies buried in the north-ile of
 “ St. George’s church, which in her will she calls The Chappel of
 “ the Blessed Mary.”

Juliana, prioress, and the convent of St. Sepulchre’s, granted a fourth part of an acre of land to the hospital of Eastbridge. See the Grant, p. 313. This was before the year 1227.

Mynchyncroft appertinentia est monasterii S^{ti} Sepulchri. Lib. MS. Tho. Hales. Anno 1184. Rogerus, Abbas, et Conventus S^{ti} Augustini concesserunt eccliam B. Edmⁱ de Redingate in puram et perpetuam elemosynam monialibus S. Sepulchri, Cant’. Ita tamen quod moniales pred’ in recognitionem juris quod S. August’ habet in p^{ro}p^{rio} ecclie de Redingate xij denarios de ipsa ecclesia singulis annis reddent super altare S^{ti} Augustini in die ipsius Sancti ad organa reparanda: et super hoc tunc priorissa, tunc subpriorissa in capitulo nostro fidelitatem juraverunt. Presentibus multis testibus.

Registrarium archidiaconi Cant. In MS. Catalogo domorum religiosarum, in tota diocesi Cantuariensi sic recensetur—Prioratus S. Sepulchri Cant’ moniales nigre.

Moniales S. Sepulchri non ingrediantur possessiones S. Augustini. Vide Thorn, col. 1893.

Harum fundator fuit Anselmus archiepiscopus, et quanquam infra limites feodi beati Augustini sint constitute, tamen in solo archiepiscopatus site sunt. Erat namque ibi ecclesia in honorem S. Sepulchri, de patronatu archiepiscopi, exiguis terris circumcincta, ubi in presenti constat eas esse fundatas. Thorn, ibm.

¹ A view of this west gate (or rather gate-way) with part of the wall of the nunnery, is annexed. That it could not have been the “ door of the church,” but merely the gate-way to the nunnery, seems obvious on inspection, as it leads to a court, in which some old arches and ruined walls still remain.

[Tradition says, that these sisters were so indigent, that they were styled the poor nuns of St. Sepulchre's.]

Hospital of St. JAMES, or St. JACOB, near Canterbury.

This was an ancient hospital, dedicated to St. James, for xxv leproous sisters, a prioress, three priests, and one clerk, founded, before 1188, in the suburbs of Canterbury, at the end of Wincheap, near Thanington, and thence sometimes called "*Hospitalis de Wincheap*." Lambarde and Weever have said by mistake, that it was founded by queen Eleanor, wife to king Henry III. But long before that, viz. in king John's time, "the prior and convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, took it into their custody and protection." See the charter cited by Somner, *ex archiv. eccl'ie Christi, Cant'*.

"Afterwards Henry III. gave the parsonage of Bradgate towards the augmentation of its endowment.

"Its revenues were Firmin's Barton, so called from Firmin, once governor of it; the rest lay at Egerton, Charing, Mersham, Blean, Hakynton, Natindon [Nackington], Thanington, Shadoxherst, Kingsnoth, Roking, and in and about Canterbury, valued *de claro*, at 46l. 6s. 3d. in Henry VIIIth's time, by the commissioners.

"It payed no tithes at all.

"It escaped the general dissolution; but soon after [Feb. 28, 1551,] Young [the farmer] faith, that Freeman and one Dartnall caused the sisters to surrender the house to the king, and Robert Dartnall, by the king's letters patents, got possession. The lands were worth 100 marks per annum, &c. The sisters have xlviis. viiij. d. by the year pension. Mr. Freeman's widow hath the

Now Bredgar. See Haisted's History of Kent, vol. II. p. 587.

writings,

writings, and Sir Edw. Walton hath bought a great part of the lands, and hath a mansion-house, &c. There was but one sister then alive. Cardinal Pole's 'visitation, 1557." Thus far Mr. Somner.

A. D. 1414. John [Woodnesburgh²] Prior of Canterbury, visited the hospital of St. James, and gave several statutes and ordinances to regulate the services of the chapel, and the well government of the hospital. And he calls himself *Hospital' Sti Jacobi juxta Cant', ab ejusdem fundatione, custos atque visitator*. These Statutes are omitted by Somner; but see them, p. 431.

I have examined the charter cited by Somner, p. 77, the two last lines, and p. 78³; and it is true, except p. 78, line 16.⁴ read, *appositione illa roboravimus*.

Bulla Alexandri pape ad confirmationem carte ptectionis p'dicte, dated Anagninæ⁵ 13 kal' Jul' pontiff' 5to extat' in archiv' ecclie Christi, Cant'.

Rex H. dedit eccliam de Bradgate, &c. In archiv' ecclie Christi, Cant'.

Witnesses to the abovesaid charter, made in archbishop Hubert's time, were Gilbertus Roffensis, i. e. Gilbert Glanvil, who was consecrated Sept' 29, 1185, and died June 24, 1214.—H. Cant' archid', i. e. Henry de Castillon.—Rogerus abbas Sti August', Algarus, the 3d abbot of Feversham.

Littere p hospitali Sti Jacobi de p. . . . magri hospit' de Eastbrigge, Cant'.

"Salutem: Quia quidam clericus, p'tendens se esse magrum⁶ hospitalis Sti Thome Eastbrigge, Cantuar', ob favorem inceptum quem habet coram auditore causarum curie venerabilis patris nri dñi archiep'i⁷, nos et eccliam nram et miserabiles p'onas in hospitali nro Sti Jacobi extra Cant', multipliciter nititur fatigare laboribus et expensis; n̄ miremini si propter importunitatem hujus auditoris, p' defensione juris nri et ecclie nre et hospitalis nri p'd', ad superioris examen' previa occasione convolemus: proinde considerantes, quod ex hoc forsitan fumus flammam ignis pducit qui m̄merito arderet. Vale in eo qui semper valet et viget semper. Dat' Cant', die Om̄um Sanctorum, 1329."

¹ Rather archdeacon Harpsfield's. See p. 371.

² This prior Mr. Gostling supposes to have been an eminent architect, as his face and name are on a key-stone in the roof of a chapel (now the singing-school) over St. Michael's in the cathedral. "Walk," p. 251, 252.

³ Appendix, p. 9, (2d edit.)

⁴ p. 9. l. 8. from the bottom.

⁵ See p. 305, note 1, and 4.

⁶ In the list of masters of Eastbridge Hospital, p. 371. William Burgoos appears to have been then master.

⁷ Simon Mepham was then archbishop.

Priorissæ hospitalis S. Jacobi pro situ ejusdem hospitalis ac pratis et terris ejus in Thanington de redditu p annum, vijs. ij d. et pro gallinâ 4d. in toto vijs. vj d. solut' 1° anno Edw' VI. MS. Tho. Hales.

Mr. Somner, p. 77. in his own book, [1st edit.] hath added in writing. "In archbishop Baldwin's time I find exprefs mention of this hospital, and of the then master and founder (as an old book calls him), Magister Feramin [or Firmin] by name; to whom, with the prior of Feversham, letters were directed from pope Clement III. about the then differences between the same archbishop and his monks, touching the college at Hakinton, as may be seen in Gervas Dorobern ¹."

p. 79. Mr. Somner adds, That "archbishop Baldwin was displeased with this hospital, because Mr. Feramin, the then master, was one of those that were commanded to execute the pope's decree in favour of the monks against the archbishop. Gervas Dorobern ¹."

Thus there were three hospitals near the city for lepers, Herboldown, St. James, and St. Laurence, all without the walls, of which see Josephi Antiq. Judaic. l. ix. c. 4, 5. The Samaritans had a law that leprous persons should go out of the city; and Choppine de Sacra Politia, l. 3. tit. 5. says, that the physicians excluded leprous persons from the city. Of such lazarus-houses, see also Coke upon Littleton, fol. 135, 136.

In the council at London, under Hubert Walter, archbishop of Canterbury, A. D. 1200, there was a particular canon made,

"Ut leprosi cœmeterium et propriam habeant capellam ²."

"Affectu pietatis inducti, concilii Lateranensis etiam institutione suffulti, decernimus ut ubicunque tot leprosi simul fuerint congregati qui ecclesiam cum cœmeterio sibi construere, et proprio valeant gaudere presbytero; sine contradictione aliquâ habere permittantur, &c."

This shews the number of lazarus in those days to have been very many.

¹ These paragraphs were afterwards inserted by Mr. Battely in his improved edition.

² Concil. Brit. T. II.

Litera testimonialis quod sorores S^{ti} Jacobi non sunt professe.

Reg^{rum} ecclie Christi, Cant'. K. fol. 57. Universis Christi fidelibus p^{re}sentes lras inspecturis Robertus [Hathbrand] p^{re}missione divina prior ecclie Christi, Cant': Salutem et sinceram in d^{omi}no caritatem. Universitati v^{ost}re notum facimus p^{er} p^{re}sentes, quod licet priorissa et sorores hospitalis S^{ti} Jacobi in suburbio Cant', vulgariter nuncupato, quod quidem hospitale ad n^{ost}rum patronatum et dispositionem p^{er}tinet, tanquam religiose mulieres c^{om}munit^{er} istum vixerunt, ad religionem tamen vel regularem ordinem approbatum inibi observand' nullatenus sunt adstrict^e, nec profiteri tenentur tacite vel expresse, sed ab eodem hospitali libere recedere poterunt, prout ipsis placuerit, sicut alie seculares. In cujus rei testimonium figillum n^{ost}rum fecimus h^{is} apponi. Dat' Cant', A. D. 1349.

In the 9th year of Henry VII. Sept. 6, Joan, prioress, and the sisters of the convent of St. James, demised by lease to William [Selling], prior and the convent of Christ Church, Canterbury, for the term of 40 years, their lands, tenements, and appurtenances, lying near Filernhil [Tyler-hill], in the parishes of St. Stephen de Hakinton, near Canterbury, and of St. Cosmus and Damian in La Blean, containing 93 acres of land, 3 roods, and 33 perches, at the yearly rent of 33s. 4d. (all timber excepted.) Registrum Cant' R.

In catalogo domorum religiosarum in tota diocesi Cant', sic recensetur;
"Domus sororum S^{ti} Jacobi extra Cant'."

Statuta hospitalis S^{ti} Jacobi, juxta Cantuariam, A. D. 1414,
secundum ecclesie Anglicane cursum.

JOANNES [Woodnesburgh] p^{re}missione divina S^{te} Cant' ecclie prior, hospitalis S^{ti} Jacobi juxta Cantuariam ab ejusdem fundatione custos atque visitator, dilectis nobis ipsis hospitalis fratribus et sororibus salutem: ut n^{ost}ra visitatio, nuper in dicto hospitali facta, fiat conuente d^{omi}no fructuosa ad correctionem et reformationem ejusdem hospitalis, tam in spiritualibus quam in temporalibus, infra scripta n^{ost}ra mandata, statuta, et ordinationes, in virtute obedientie, p^{re}cipimus p^{er} vos inviolabiliter p^{er}petuis futuris temporibus observari.

Imprimis, statuimus et ordinamus quod omnes fratres et sorores ad oratorium, five eccliam inibi scituatam, singulis diebus horâ consuetâ conveniant, horas canonicas et missas in ipso oratorio dicendas et celebrandas integraliter audituri, nisi ratione officii, vel alia causa rationabili, p^{re}sidenti ejusdem hospitalis insinuanda, dictis temporibus contingent absentari.

Statuimus

Statuimus præterea quod numerus capellanorum ab antiquo in ipso hospitali statutus, quam citius facultates dicti hospitalis ad hoc poterunt sufficere, observetur et custodiatur. Quodque ipsi capellani in oratorio dicti hospitalis divina horis competentibus cotidie, legitimo cessante impedimento, celebrent. Atque horas canonicas alta voce, ita quod a fratribus et sororibus tunc presentibus audiri poterunt, simul dicant in eodem, pulsatis primitus signis, seu campanis, juxta morem in ipso hospitali ab antiquo usitatum.

Insuper ordinamus quod fratres et sorores ipsius hospitalis in ipsorum oratorio a confabulationibus penitus se abstineant: Ipsorumque singuli singulis diebus numerum orationum dominicarum cum salutationibus B. Marie Anglicis, alias eisdem prædecessores nostros in eorum visitationibus injunctum et assignatum, si commodè fieri poterit, compleant, in ipso oratorio dicant, et cum devotione.

Item quod nullus recipiatur in fratrem, aut aliqua in sororem, dicti hospitalis sine consilio et assensu ecclesie Cant', qui pro tempore fuerit, prioris.

Idemque statuimus de capellanis in ipso hospitali celebraturis.

Ad hæc ordinamus, quod de cetero depuretur una cista in loco securo infra dictum hospitale ponenda, tribus seris tribus diversis clavibus signata; quarum clavium unam habeat priorissa, secundam habeat unus frater ejusdem hospitalis, si quis fuerit, præ confratres suos eligendus: alioquin una ex sororibus præ majorem partem consororum suarum ad hoc nominanda. Tertiã autem habeat ipsius hospitalis celerissa. In ipsa verò cista reponantur ejusdem hospitalis sigillum commune, ac ejusdem hospitalis evidentie, carte, et munimenta quæcunque.

Itemque in visitatione antedicta comperimus quod priorissa ipsius hospitalis, que nunc est, solebat et solet omnes redditus et proventus dicti hospitalis sola, absque scientia consororum suarum, clam recipere, et ipsis inconsultis de eisdem disponere; volumus et ordinamus, quod ex nunc dicta priorissa, et que erit præ tempore in hospitali predicto, nullas pecuniarum summas, absque scientia confratrum, si qui sint, habitum juxta ipsius hospitalis foundationem deferentium, et majoris partis consororum suarum, recipiat quoquo modo. Pecunias verò sic receptas, si eas tempore receptionis earundem expendi non oporteat, in cista memorata deponi volumus et mandamus. Item ordinamus quod nullus custodum clavium predictarum clavem sibi commissam alio tradat custodiendam.

Item, quod ipsa priorissa quatuor singulis annis terminis subscriptis, viz. in festis S^{ti} Hillarii ¹, inventionis S^{te} Crucis ², S^{ti} Petri ad Vincula ³, et Omnium Sanctorum ⁴, de omnibus redditibus et proficiis ipsius hospitalis per eam vel ejus nomine receptis ipso anno fratribus habitum, ut prædicitur, gestantibus, et sororibus suis, plenum compotum in forma compoti reddere, ipsumque compotum post dictum festum Omnium Sanctorum priori ecclesie Cantuariensis, qui erit præ tempore, aut ipsius deputato, ante festum Nativitatis Dⁿⁱ quolibet anno tradere teneatur.

Ordinamus etiam quod de cetero quantum fieri potest aliquæ recipiantur juvenule literate, aut aliæ juvenes dociles et capaces in literatura imbuenda.

Item, quod fratres et sorores dicti hospitalis ecclesiam de Bradgare eisdem unitam ad firmam non tradant; nec etiam aliquas eorundem possessiones vel tenementa; nec boscum aut subboscum vendant aut donent: nullamque terram sub eorum sigillo com-

¹ Jan. 14.² May 3.³ Aug. 1.⁴ Nov. 1.

muni sigillent, seu faciant sigillari, quovis modo, sine assensu prioris Cantuariensis, qui fuerit p tempore.

Item, Ordinamus quod si contingat priorissam dicti hospitalis ab eodem p unum diem absentari, quod ipsa deputet unam ydoneam ex consororibus suis, qui durante absentia sua ipsius poterit supplere vices.

Item, quia in ipsa visitatione nobis extitit detectum singulos fratres et sorores dicti hospitalis decem solidos annuatim in pecunia numerata de exitibus dicti hospitalis ultra panem et cervisiam eis in communi ministratum, p eorum vestitu, qui eis nullatenus ministratur in communi, ac aliis diversis eisdem incumbentibus oneribus, duntaxat recipere; quodque bona ejusdem hospitalis imobilia infra paucos annos adeo esse augmentata, quod ad uberiores distributionem pecuniarum inter fratres et sorores antedictos occasione pmissa annuatim faciendam commodè prout etiam ipsis satis a diu est novimus poterunt sufficere; idcirco matura deliberatione phabita, attenta dictorum fratrum et sororum singulorum penuria, statuimus et ordinamus, quod singulis annis futuris cuilibet fratri habitum, ut pdicitur, gerenti, nec non singulis sororibus dicti hospitalis, ultra x solidos pdictos, in festo Omnium Sanctorum solvantur tres solidi et quatuor denarii monete Anglicane de bonis communibus hospitalis memorati, in dictorum fratrum et sororum penurie subductionem, ac victus augmentationem, cum ipsorum nulli p oibus diebus cujuslibet anni, in quibus ipsos aut carnibus aut piscibus vesci deceat vel oporteat, ultra unum porcum recipere consueverant semel in anno.

Item, quia sacris obviat institutis mulieres etiam sacras sacra vasa contingere, aut circa altaria ministrare, ordinamus, quod nulla sororum dicti hospitalis, aut alia quevis mulier, dum divina in dicto hospitalis oratorio celebrantur, quovis modo inibi circa et prope altaria stare vel sedere, aut pbyteris divina celebrantibus, vel horas canonicas dicentibus, ministrare psumant, cum, secundum dicti hospitalis primariam fundacionem, ejusdem capellani sive sacerdotes habere debeant unum clericum, qui eisdem debeat in pmissis officiare, cui volumus de bonis communibus dicti hospitalis, ut convenit, ministrari, atque de superpelliceo, ejusdem hospitalis sumptibus, dum sibi commissum pagit officium, provideri.

Ordinamus etiam pterea, et statuimus, quod quotiescunque fiet in coi distributio panis et cervisie p fratrum et sororum dicti hospitalis sustentatione, quod priorissa et celeraria ejusdem hospitalis (aliqua ex sororibus ipsius hospitalis p fratres, si qui fuerint, et sorores ejusdem hospitalis, vel majorem partem eorundem, nominanda et eligenda) que cum priorissa et celeraria p predict vel earum altera ad tollendam oem suspensionem inequalis distributionis communis panis et cervisie, aut aliorum, siqua fuerint inter fratres et sorores hospitalis antedicti dividenda, cessante collusionem, adjungatur pmissis, quoque statuendo adjicimus, quod priorissa dicti hospitalis nulla communia negotia absque consensu fratrum, siqui sint, et majoris partis sororum dicti hospitalis, diffiniat vel expediat, nullasque penitus faciat circa reparationem dicti hospitalis aut domorum quarumcunque eidem hospitali ptinentium expensas voluptuosas, nec etiam utiles vel necessarias, circa eas, que sumam xx solidorum in anno excedunt, sine consensu fratrum hospitalis supra nominati, siqui fuerint, et sororum, aut majoris partis eorundem. Premissis quoque picipiendo subjungimus, quod pri-

orista dicti hospitalis, que est, et que erit p tempore, nullos infra septa dicti hospitalis peregrinatos sive moraturos recipiat sine consensu sororum suarum, vel majoris partis earandem, et licentia nra et successorum nrorum petita et optenta.

Ceterum quia comperimus nonnullas ordinationes, injunctiones, et monita salutaria p pdecessores nros in ipsorum visitationibus in dicto hospitali exercitis facta fuisse et esse; nos tam ea quam etiam hec nra statuta et ordinationes p vos, quibus pssentes nre diriguntur ire, ac quemlibet vestrum, sub majoris excommunicationis pena mandamus inviolabiliter observari.

Volentes insuper tam pdecessorum nostrorum ordinationes, injunctiones, et monita, quam etiam nra pscripta, sub pena inobedientium et contemptus, sexies in anno temporibus interpolatis publice coram vobis in domo illa, ubi librum orationum vestrarum singulis diebus legere soletis, legi, atque in vulgari etiam exponi, sub pena proxime superius nominata. In quorum omnium testimonium figillum nostrum fecimus hiis apponi. Dat' in prioratu nro Cantuar' quoad pssentium consignationem, 18 die mensis Februarii, A. D. 1414.

[All that now remains of this building is part of a stone wall, the boundary of an orchard, on the east side of the road, just without Wincheap, near the turnpike.]

MAYNARD'S SPITAL.

[This, properly speaking, though one connected building, is two hospitals, having two different endowments. The first was founded in 1312, by John Maynard, or Mayner, a citizen of Canterbury, who, Somner says, was called "The Rich, an addition which was continued also to his descendants." He dedicated it to the Blessed Virgin, and endowed it with estates in the city to the value of 3l. 7s. per ann. a wood of nine acres, called Brotherhood Wood, and a meadow adjoining of an acre and half, called Brotherhood Close, in the parish of Fordwich, for the maintenance of four brothers and three sisters, single persons, of the age of fifty or upwards. The other owes its origin to Leonard Cotton, an alderman of the city, who, by his will, dated in 1604, some years before his death, left some estates in trust (which has been ever since continued), for the maintenance of one additional brother and two sisters, a widower.

a widower and widows, of St. Margaret's parish, if proper objects there; if not, of St. Mildred's; if not, of any parish in Canterbury; in those tenements which, it seems, he had then erected and annexed to Maynard's building.

In 1666, the records of these two hospitals, being sent to London, on account of a law-suit then depending, were destroyed in the great fire, except the old leaves of their estates from the time of queen Elizabeth. In 1711, Mrs. Mary Masters, of this city, of whose donation an account is given p. 280, left this hospital, and five others, 5l. a year each. But, for the reasons there assigned, they receive only 16s. 4d.

Mr. Matthew Browne, in 1717, bequeathed to it ten shillings a year, issuing from two houses in the borough of Staplegate (see p. 281); and an abstract of his will is annexed, p. 442.

500l. left to it by Thomas Hanson, esq; (who died in 1770), being now invested in 3 per cent. bank annuities, produces (see p. 196) a dividend of 17l. 10s. per ann. And there being no fund for repairs, Mr. William Rigden, brewer, who died in 1776, settled in trust and conveyed for that purpose, in 1771, a messuage and smith's forge in Hawk's-lane, which let for 6l. per ann. The hospital has a common seal, whose device is the Virgin and Child. See it engraved in plate X. fig. 2.

It stands in a lane in St. Mildred's parish, leading from Castle-street to Stour-street, and consists of ten tenements, with a chapel near the centre, as represented in the plan, plate IX. fig. 2. where prayers are read twice a week by the prior. On the chapel is this inscription:

" This house and chapel was founded by John Maynard, for 3 brothers and 4
 " sisters, *Anno Domini*, 1317, in the 12th year of the reign of king Edward the
 " second. This work was finished, and the chapel repaired, in the year of our
 " Lord 1617, by Joseph Colf, esquire, Alderman of the city of Canterbury, and
 " M. of this hospital. William Gray, M. 1776." This is not now strictly true, as
 in the great storm on Nov. 3, 1703, that building was blown down, and the
 inscription set on foot in the neighbourhood, the present hospital was erected in 1708.

The mayor, for the time being, is patron; the mayor and aldermen are perpetual visitors; and one of the aldermen is master. The present is William Long, esquire, to whom I am obliged for most of the above particulars, and also for a farther detail of the estates of this hospital in the Appendix, substituted to a very brief and imperfect account given by Mr. Battely].

The Hospital of POOR PRIESTS.

An hospital, for the relief of poor, infirm, and aged priests, in St. Margaret's parish, was founded, Tanner says, by archdeacon Simon Langton, before 1243. Thorn says, "he founded it with the alms and charity of several benefactors".

Soon after its foundation, the abbot and convent of St. Augustine's [at the instance of the founder] granted to it the parsonage of Stodmarsh. The grant of it is in Thorn, col. 1892.

A. D. 1249, before St. Margaret's church was united to the hospital, a composition was made with the rector for tithes, &c. preserved in Thorn, col. 1897.

A. D. 1271, that church was given to it by Hugh Mortimer, archdeacon, with consent of the patrons, the abbot and convent aforesaid. See the grant in Somner. See also Thorn, col. 1920.

A mill belonged to it, out of which 4 bushels of wheat were yearly paid to the hospital of Eastbridge. See more of this in Somner, p. 138.

Thomas Wyke, master of the hospital, new-built it of stone, A. D. 1373.

This hospital was spared at the general dissolution; and in queen Mary's reign, Hugh Barret was presented to it by archdeacon Harpsfield, patron of it.

¹ Quod hospitale idem Simon archidiaconus diversorum elemosinis dicitur fundasse. Thorn, col. 1892.

Masters of the Poor Priests Hospital, with the rectory of St. Margaret's annexed, presented by the archdeacons.

1494. May 5. HENRY HARVY.

1497. Apr. 22. THOMAS WATER, by exchange with Harvy, for Arundel's chantry in Christ Church.

1511. Nov. 14. PHILIP TAYLOR, chaplain. Water resigned.

1528. April 25. NICHOLAS LANGDON, M. A. Taylor deceased.

1554. HUGH BARRET. Langdon deceased.

1560. March 8. ROBERT BACON¹.

1575. May 12. BLASE WINTER².

Extracted from the Register by JOHN DRAKE, Notary Public.

The hospital of poor priests passed over their right in a house and land at Hottewell [near the bridge, on the N. side] to the prior and convent of Christ Church, and sealed the grant with the seal of archdeacon Langton, *huic presenti scripto sigillum magist' Simonis de Langetune, archidiaconi Cant', e' appensum eò quod tunc temporis commune sigillum non habebamus. Actum, A. D. 1242. 4to non' Martii.* The impress of the seal was the murder of Thomas Becket, and about it, *Sigillum Simonis archidiaconi.* On the other side, a head, with a hand from above over it, and round about it, *S. magistri Simonis Langtune, i. e. Sigillum magistri Simonis Langtune*, with the S on the reverse, which signifies, in the old seals, that the hospital was dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

Though it escaped the general dissolution, as mentioned above, it was surrendered by the then master, patron, and ordinary, 17 Eliz. and granted by the queen, with all its lands and appurtenances, to the mayor and commonalty of the city for the use of the poor, as an hospital and bridewell. "It is now the

¹ Styled by archbishop Parker, in his account, 1562, "a temporal man, who is not resident, nor maketh any distribution." Strype's Life of that archbishop, p. 113.

² The last master, who surrendered it soon after.

general workhouse, being so appointed by act of parliament in 1728, for the maintenance and employment of the poor of the city, under guardians incorporated for that purpose¹."

Anno 1296. Magr Guido de Well, rector ecclie de Swalclyve, tunc syndicus seu procurator hospitalis pauperum sacerdotum Cantuarie, venit in capitulum monasterii S. Augustini, et ibidem prestitit publice sacramentum fidelitatis ratione ecclesiarum S. Margarete in Cantuaria et beate Marie de Stodmarsh, secundum consuetudinem, &c. Thorn, col. 1966.

ST. LAURENCE.

The hospital of St. Laurence in the S. E. suburb, on the right hand of the road from Canterbury to Dover, was founded (says the private Leiger²), in 1137, by abbot Hugh II. of that name, and the convent of St. Augustine, for the reception and relief of lazar or leprous monks, and of the parents and relations of such as were reduced to beggary³. The names of grants at the beginning were *Fratribus S. Laurentii*; *Fratribus et Sororibus S. Laurentii*; and afterwards, from the 47 Edward III. they granted and received by the names of prioress and sisters, and there were no brothers. Nine acres of land within the lordship of St. Augustine were given by the founder (as appears by the charter annexed) on the right side of the road to Dover, with all the tithes of the manor of Longport, and all the tithes of wheat and peas adjoining on the left side. The tithes of the whole manor of Dodingdale [now Morton] were afterwards added by Richard de Marci, the lord of it (see his charter), with many other benefactions

¹ Gostling's Walk, p. 60.

² Somner's Antiq. p. 38.

³ "For sixteen brothers and sisters, and for one chaplain, and one clerk, serving in the said hospital," are the words (in Latin) of the Leiger.

needless

needless to recapitulate. 26 Henry VIII. the revenues were valued at 39l. 8s. 6d. in the whole. *Tanner.*

30 H. VIII. A lease was made by the prioress and sisters to Sir Christopher Hales, knight, of the site of the said hospital, and of all the possessions for 9 years, yielding no yearly rent, but finding the sisters and prioress during their lives. The interest was vested in Mr. Lovelace.

May 26, 3 and 4 Philip and Mary. This hospital was granted, by letters patent under the great seal of England, to Sir John Parrot, in fee, in consideration of a sum of money, *ac gratia nostra speciali, et mero motu, et certa scientia.*

6 Edward VI. A feoffment was made from the prioress and sisters to one Tipfell of London, of this hospital, in fee; the estates of which Sir John Parrot and Tipfell, by the appointment of Serjeant Lovelace to keep the lease in force, conveyed to Hoveden and Bingham.

In the account given up to the visitors, "seven sisters, a prioress, and a priest, were said to be maintained by the produce of the lands, which was estimated at 20l." This statement was signed by "Joanne Francys, priorissa, Elizabeth Oliver, Florence Younge, *nondum soror, nomine sororum.*" The chief governor (as usual) was called keeper, or master (*custos*), and he was always one of the monks of St. Augustine's. The chief of the seven sisters was called prioress.

In 1562 [by archbishop Parker's account], the house was "lamentably misused [by reason of the above-mentioned lease]," and had only two sisters then in it, [who received from the farmer there only 40s. per ann.]

In May, 1574, 16 Elizab. it was found by inquisition, *virtute officii*, before the escheator of Kent, that this hospital was concealed, and worth yearly 4l. which being returned into the exchequer, one Honywood took a lease of it for xxi years, yielding

yielding 4l. yearly, after he should have possession of the premises by virtue of the said lease; and in default of payment for a certain space, the lease was to be void.

This estate and mansion-house, built on or near the site of the old monastery, being vested in Sir George Rooke, and afterwards in his son, were bequeathed by the latter to his relict, sister to the late viscount Dudley and Ward. And Mrs. Rooke, at her death, devised them to her nephew, the present viscount. On one of the flinty piers of the old gateway, a figure of St. Laurence on the gridiron may be discovered, with a man standing at his head, and another at his feet¹.” Tanner, however, queries “whether it was not rather built in memory of St. Laurence [as he styles him] the archbishop, successor to St. Augustine, than of the broiled martyr, as Somner terms him².” But where does it appear that archbishop Laurence was ever canonised?

Circa hec tempora idem abbas (viz. Hugo 2dus) fundavit hospitale S^{ti} Laurentii. Ad cujus foundationem contulit novem acras terre, in quibus ipsum hospitale situm est. Contulit etiam eidem totam decimam de dominico de Langeport, et tres carectatas feni; unam de Langeport, aliam de sacristiâ, et terciam de camerario. Fuit autem illud hospitale ad hoc specialiter institutum et fundatum, ut si contingat quod aliquis monachus istius monasterii morbum contagiosum, et precipuè lepram, incurrat, ratione cujus morbi infra septa monasterii absque scandalo fratrum conversari non poterit, providebitur illi in loco predicto de camerâ competenti, et ibidem habebit victum et vestitum, non de bonis hospitalis predicti, sed de monasterio isto, sicut et alius frater. Si verò contingat, parentem alicujus monachi, patrem, videlicet, aut matrem, sororem aut fratrem, ad tantam inopiam devenire, ut cum scandalo monasterii et illius fratris oportuerit ipsum hostiatim mendicare, providebitur ipsi in eodem hospitali competens sustentatio secundum facultatem illius domus, per considerationem abbatis et magistri hospitalis predicti qui pro tempore fuerit ibi.

Notum sit omnibus Dei fidelibus, tam presentibus quam posteris, quod ego secundus Hugo, Dei gratiâ, abbas S^{ti} Augustini, ejusdemque loci conventus, pro redemptione animarum n^{ost}rarum, predecessorum n^{ost}rorum, atque successorum, concessimus ac dedimus in elemosinam vii acras terre de dominio n^{ost}ro precio quondam adquisitas, ad faciendum hospitale in illis vii acris supra memoratis juxta viam que a Cantuariâ ducit ad Dover, in dextra parte vie. Contulimus etiam illi loco, ad sustentationem infirmorum aut pauperum, decimam tocius annone de totâ terrâ illâ quam habemus

¹ Gostling's Walk, p. 21, 22.

² Notit. Mon. p. 213:

In dominio, in dextra parte vie, et oem decimam frumenti et pisarum tocius terre, que adjacet ad Langeport, de dominio nro in sinistra parte vie. Quicumque ergo pro amore Dei benefecerint infirmis illic habitantibus, et locum illum manutenerint, benedictionem Dei habeant, et gratiam simul et commune beneficium loci nostri.

Richardus¹ de Marci omnibus suis hominibus Francis et Anglicis, tam presentibus quam futuris, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et dedisse decimas terre mee de Dodingdale hospitali S. Laurentii, quod est juxta Cantuariam, in ppetuam elemosinam, p salute animarum predecessorum meorum, et mei, et uxoris mee, et meorum infantium. Quare volo et precipio quatenus pd' hospitale decimas predictas habeat et possideat, benè, et in pace, et libere; precipioque, ex parte Dei, et ex parte mea, ut fratres et sorores pd' hospitalis habeant decimas illas nōiatim ad lineum pannum emendum in festo S. Johannis Baptiste, quia credo quod tunc mei et meorum memores erunt.

A clause drawn up by archbishop Wake's direction, to be inserted in Eastbridge hospital leases.

" And the said A. B. doth for himself, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, and for every of them, covenant, promise, and grant, to and with the said John Bradock, master of the said hospital, and his successors, by these presents, That he the said A. B. his executors, administrators, and assigns, shall not, nor will, at any time hereafter, during this demise, do, commit, or wittingly or willingly suffer any waste, spoil, or destruction, in or upon the premises, or any part thereof; but shall and will, to the utmost of his and their power, keep and preserve the same from all waste, spoil, and destruction whatsoever. And also, that he the said A. B. his executors, administrators, and assigns, shall and will from time to time, and at all times, during this demise, order and manage the said lands and premises in good and husbandlike manner, and shall and will, at all times during this demise, imbarne stack, and lay all the corn and hay growing or arising in and upon the demised premises, in the barns or other convenient places belonging to the premises; and the said hay, and the straw, and chaff, arising from the said corn, shall and will fodder out and spend in and upon the premises, and the dung, fullage, and compost arising therefrom, shall and will, in good and husbandlike manner, lay, spread, spend, and bestow in and upon the said lands, or some part thereof, where most need shall be, and shall not elsewhere lay, spread, spend, or bestow the same, or any part thereof.

WM. TURNER.

18 November, 1718."

Memorandum, To strengthen the clause to prevent the tenants from cutting down timber, &c.

¹ "Rogerus," in Thorn.

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A clause

A clause taken out of Mr. MATTHEW BROWNE's will, dated December 12, 1717, proved at Canterbury, August 26, 1721¹.

"Item, I give, devise, and bequeath unto the several hospitals of Eastbridge, alias St. Thomas, Maynard Spittle, St. John, and St. Nicholas Harbledown, in and near the city of Canterbury, and to every of them respectively, the sum of ten shillings apiece, of lawful money of Great Britain, yearly, and every year, for ever, out of the rents, issues, and profits of my two messuages, or tenements, with the appurtenances, situate and being in the borough of Staplegate, and now in the several occupations of Paul Whitehurst and Matthew Darby, or their assigns.

"Which said several and respective sums of ten shillings, I will, order, and appoint, shall be respectively paid to the prior, brothers and sisters of the said respective hospitals, upon the twelfth day of March yearly for ever. And my will and mind is, that if default shall happen to be made in payment of the said several sums of ten shillings, or any of them, to the said several hospitals, or any of them, at the day and time herein before appointed for the payment thereof, that then, and at all times afterwards, it shall and may be lawful to and for the priors, brothers and sisters of the said respective hospitals, to whom the said sum of ten shillings shall be so unpaid, to enter into and upon the said two messuages or tenements, or either of them, to distrain, and the distress and distresses there found to have, take, carry away, keep, retain, possess, and enjoy, until the said several respective sums of ten shillings, and all arrears thereof, and all charges in and about taking such distress, shall be fully satisfied and paid."

Vera copia excerpta ex testimonio MATTHEI BROWN,

per Jos. WEBB².

[Besides the above, and the two great Benedictine and rival monasteries of Christ Church and St. Augustine's, whose history and antiquities have been amply discussed by Somner, Battely, Gostling, &c. the other religious and charitable foundations in and near Canterbury, were,

I. St. MILDRED's abbey, mentioned by Dugdale³, within the walls, on the south side of the city, whose last abbot's name was Alfwic; "of which," says Bishop Tanner, "neither Mr. Somner nor Mr. Battely give us any account⁴."

¹ An abstract of this was given, p. 281. And see p. 135.

² Late reader of Eastbridge hospital. He died in 1771.

³ Monast. I. p. 26.

⁴ Notit. Mon. p. 208.

2. A priory of Dominican, or Black, Fryars, in St. Alphage's parish, founded probably not long after 1221, by king Henry III. who, it is said, built them a monastery on the banks of the Stour, on land given them by archbishop Langdon, of which some venerable ruins remain, particularly the Gothic arches of a bridge, drawn by Mr. Grose and others, and the south gateway, faced with square flints, in St. Peter's-street, built not long before the 30th Edward III. This is engraved in Mr. Thorpe's *Kentish Antiquities*, the VIIth number of this work, pl. X. fig. 4. It had two other gates, or passages, one in the street near St. Alphage's church, and the other in Best's-lane near the Water-lock, opposite Prince of Orange-lane, then the Rush-market, which led directly to their church, as appears by a very exact stained drawing of that and the monastery, with its precinct, and a measurement, by Thomas Langdon, 1595, in the possession of the rev. Mr. Byrch, the present proprietor of the manor and principal mansion, which, we are informed, will be engraved in the IIIrd volume of Mr. Hafted's *History of Kent*. Part of the hall is now the Baptists meeting-house, and the other is the house of Mr. John Haward; there are no vestiges of the church but part of the north wall, and part of the church-yard is the Baptists burying-ground.

An indenture is still in being, made by these fryars only five years before their dissolution, of which the following is a copy :

" This indenture, made the viith day of the month of February, yn the xxvth yere of the reigne of kyng Henry the viiith [A. D. 1534] witnesseth, that John Wenar, p̄or of the house of Frers p̄rcheurs, yn the citie of Canturbury, and the cōvent of the same house, of their hole mynde, assente, and consente, have dymysed, graunted, and letten to ferme unto Richard Burchard, of the p̄rfe of Sayncte Elphe yn the sayde citie of Canfbery, drap, all that their gardyne ¹, with the appten̄s, lyeing and beyng within the site of the said place, whiche gardyne John Edward, vyntenar, late had and occupied yn ferme of the p̄or and cōvent of

¹ This, by the description, appears to be the orchard lately purchased of Mr. Detanoy by Mr. Cyprian Bunce.

the faide house, boundyng to the comyne ryvare towards easle, to the orchard of the said Freres towards northe, to the comyne way ledyng from Sayncte Peter's paryshe to the churche of the said Freres, and the gardyne of the same Freres, occupied by James Thomson and Marke Olford, towards south, and to the house and gardyne of X^{ro}fer Cornwall, and the lane leading from Sayncte Petre's churche into the sayd orchard, towards west: To have, hold, and occupye the foresaid gardyne, with the app^rtenances, to the said Richard Burchard and his assignes, from the feste of the Annunciation of our Ladye the Virgine next coming after the date of these presents, unto the end and term of fourtye yer^es¹ then next ensuyng, and fully to be cōpleted, yeldyng and payeng therfor to the p^ror and cōvent of the faide house, for the tyme beyng, yerely, by the space of the first twenty yer^es of the said terme, xiiis. iiid. of lawful money of England, and yerely by the space of the other xx yer^es of the said terme, xvs. of lawful money of England, at the festis of the nativity of Sayncte John Baptist, Sayncte Myghell the Archangell, the byrthe of our Lord God, and the Annunciation of oure Ladye the Virgine, by evyn porcyons, duryng the said terme to be payd. And if it happen the faide yerely ferme of xiiis. iiid. by yere duryng the said fyrst xx yer^es, or of xvs. by yere duryng the other xx yer^es, to be behynd yn parte, or yn all not payde, the space of xiiii dayes next after any feste yn the whiche it owyght to be paide, as it is above lymyted, so that it be duely asked and requyred at any daye within the said xiiii dayes, then it shall be lefull to the prior and cōvent aforesaid, and theyr successors, after the xiiii dayes expyred, into the foresaid gardyne, with the app^rtenances, holy to re-entre, and the same to repossede, and have agayne and enjoye, as yn theyre former possession, and the said Richard Burchard and his assignes from the same uttrely to expell, put outt, and amove, this indenture yn any wyse notwithstanding. And the said Richard Burchard covenanteth and graunteth by these presents to make and maynteyne, by all the said terme, at his p^rpre costes and charges, with pale or otherwise sufficiently, fuche claufures as shall belong to hym for his parte about the said gardyne. In witnesse whereof, as well the convent seale as of the said p^ror and convent, as the seale of the aforesaid Rychard Burchard, to these indentures enterchangeably do sett. Given the day and y^re above wrytten. It is further agreed and covenanted between the said p^ries, that the said Richard Burchard, by all the said time, shall sufficiently repair the house nowe beyng within the said gardyne, at his cost and charge, and leve the same gardyne and hous, at the end of the said time, in as good condition as it now is; and that he and his assignes, by all the said time, shal have free coming into the said gardyne, and going out of the same, at all tymes lawful and convenient."

It is fairly written on parchment, indented.

Both the seals are lost: That of the friars was Az. on a cross Arg. between four mitres labelled Or, a text **r**, surmounted with the letter S. sable ².

¹ *Nescia mens hominum fati sortisque futurae.* Virg.

² See Edmondson's Heraldry, vol. I.

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After the dissolution, this fryary was granted [30 Henry VIII.] to Thomas Wiseman, and then to John Harrington, 2 Eliz. *Tanner*. The next proprietor was Hoveden, who was succeeded by Mr. Peter Peters, great-grand-father of Mrs. Barrett, 3d wife of the late Thomas Barrett, esq; of Lee, mother of Mrs. Byrch, who brought it in marriage to the rev. Mr. Byrch, now possessor of the manor and principal mansion; the other tenements having been alienated. In 1685, a suit for subtraction of tithes was instituted in the court of exchequer, by the rev. John Stockar, rector of St. Alphage, but, after a full hearing, the exemption was allowed. Weever mentions Robert and Bennet Browne, esquires, and Bennet, wife of Sir Wm. Wendalls, knt. as buried there.

3. The Franciscan, Minor, or Grey Fryars, nine of whom came into England in 1224, of whom five, by the direction of Henry III. stayed and settled in Canterbury. Alderman Digges, in 1273, removed them to an island in the west part of the city, then called Binnewith, or Binney island, now Bingley, where they continued to the dissolution, when this priory was granted, 31 Henry VIII. to Thomas Spilman. Mr. Hartcup is the present proprietor. A quit-rent of 4s. per ann. is payable out of it to the crown. Of this building, nothing but ruined walls and some arches remain. It had two gates, one, the east, in Stour-Street, the other, the north, in St. Peter's-Street. Lord Badlesmere, hanged for treason, 1321, Sir Giles his son, and 17 other knights and ladies, were interred there.

4. The White Fryars, or Heremites, of the order of St. Augustine, who obtained a settlement and house by the gift of Richard French, baker, in St. George's parish, about the year 1335. King Edward III. and others added their benefactions. Their north stone gate-way, still remaining in that street, is also engraved in Mr. Thorpe's Antiquities, pl. X. fig. 3. It was
granted,

granted, 33 Henry VIII. to G. Harper. *Tanner*. The mansion and site are now in the possession of David Papillon, esquire.

5. A house of the Knights Templars, in the parish of St. Mary, Northgate, says Somner, but more probably St. Alphage, as all that remains of it, viz. an ancient stone door-case, is in that parish, near Brown's (formerly the Abbot's) Mill, supposed by Mr. Gostling to have been a back door to it ¹. In an adjoining store-house, belonging to Mr. Tremaine, a woolcomber, is a very substantial rafter of chefnut, a foot and a half thick, and seventeen feet long, which probably belonged to the building.

6. A house in the same parish, belonging to the priests of a chantry established by the Black Prince in 1363, in the undercroft of the cathedral, whose crest, or feather, may still be seen on a stone, inserted in the wall, at the turning opposite to Bests'-lane. The "ancient stone-porch," mentioned by Somner ², or "ancient door-way of stone," as Mr. Gostling terms it ³, over which these arms in Somner's time were placed, has been long removed, the present being a modern wooden door-case. But the old wall, of flint and stone, into which it opens, and which extends westward towards the river, was probably part of this chantry-house. It was of the yearly value of 20s. and was kept in repair by the prior and convent of Christ-church.

To these may be added, as foundations now existing,

8. JESUS, more commonly called Boys's, Hospital, from Sir John Boys, recorder of Canterbury, &c. the founder of it, who died in 1612, of which Mr. Gostling gives the following account:

"Sir John endowed this for eight poor men, and four women, viz. a warden, who has a house to himself, seven brothers, of whom one is claviger, or porter, with 40s. addition to his salary, and four sisters: their apartments form three sides of a little

¹ Walk, p. 62.

² Antiquities, p. 71.

³ Walk, p. 62.

square,

square, on a bank close by the much frequented road from Canterbury to Thanet, and the coast from thence to Herne. The entrance is by a gate, four steps above the road, in the middle of a dwarf wall, which completes the square, and gives the fraternity a near view of all that passes. The warden and brothers usually attend the cathedral in gowns every Sunday morning. Sir John, in his book of ordinances of this hospital, directs that the warden shall be appointed by such of the surname of the founder as shall be owner of Bettefhanger (if not under age); or, in default of them, by such of the same name as shall be owner of Fredville [these were two of the numerous seats of that ancient family in our neighbourhood]; in default of these, by the dean of Canterbury for the time being; if no dean, by the mayor of the city; if these fail to nominate in two months, then, after proper notifications, by the archdeacon.

“The seats being now in other names and families, our deans have for many successions been masters here, and as such, on any vacancy of brethren or sisters places, nominate two persons statutably qualified to the mayor, who chuses one of them.”

9. COGAN'S HOUSE, in St. Peter's-street, which was given by will, July 27, 1657, by a citizen of that name, in trust to the mayor and corporation, for the habitation of six poor widows of clergymen of the diocese of Canterbury, and endowed with the lands of the late archbishop in Littlebourn; but these being resumed at the Restoration, the house alone remained, unendowed. This was, however, in 1696, in some measure compensated by the benefaction of Dr. Aucher, a prebendary of the cathedral; who vested an estate in trustees for the payment of ten pounds a year to six clergymen's widows, and gave a preference to those in Cogan's house. Five guineas a year are also given to each widow by the Society for the relief of the widows and orphans of clergymen.

clergymen of the diocese. This house was very lately put into substantial repair from private subscriptions. The present trustees are the rev. Heneage Dering, D. D. John Benson, D. D. John Lynch, LL. D. (Prebendaries), Thomas Hey, M. A. and Francis Gregory, M. A.

10. SMITH'S Hospital, in Longport, from the name of the founder, John Smith, esquire, in 1657, for four poor men, and four poor women, who are nominated by William Hougham, esquire, of Barton-Court.

11. HARRIS'S Alms-houses in Wincheap, built by a gentleman of that name in 1726, for five poor families, nominated by Richard Harris Barham, esquire, one of the aldermen of the city, grandson of the founder. And,

12. Some alms-houses near Riding-gate, founded in 1778, by the rev. Mr. Byrch, above-mentioned, for six poor women of his nomination.

Fig. 1.

p. 420.

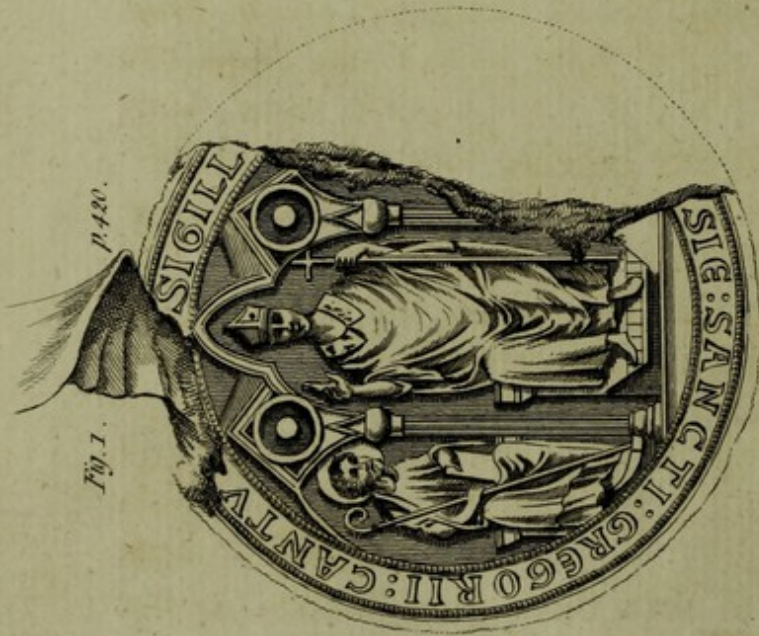


Fig. 2. p. 433.

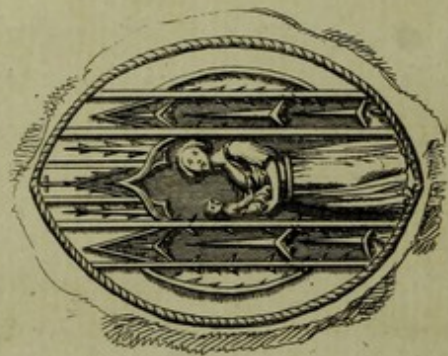
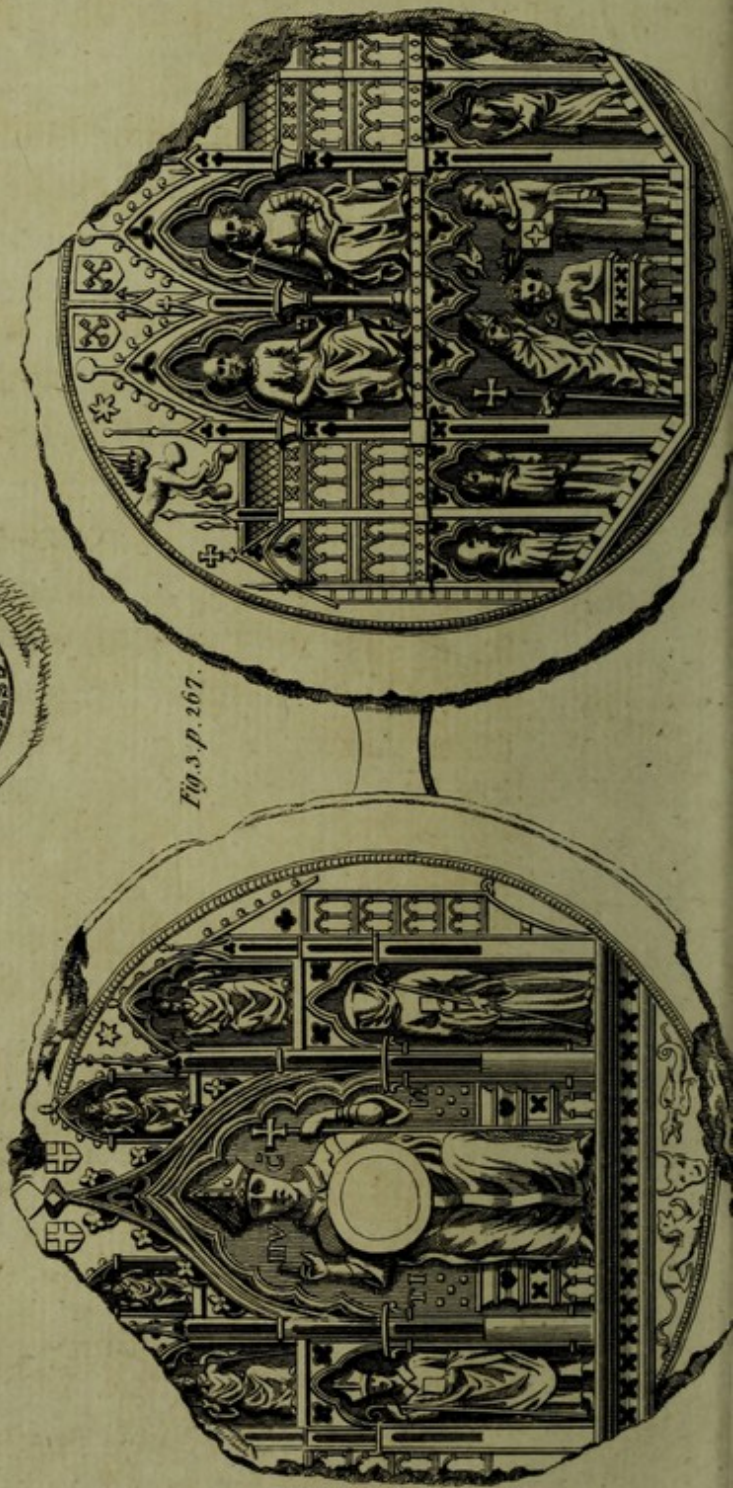


Fig. 4. p. 452.



Fig. 3. p. 267.



A P P E N D I X.

MAYNARD'S SPITAL, founded 12 Edward II. A. D. 1317, in Love-lane, now called *Hospital-lane*, in the parish of St. Mildred, in Canterbury.

l. s. d.

Revenues of the estates at the foundation, *per ann.* 3 7 0

Besides Brotherhood Wood, of nine acres, and Brotherhood Close, of one acre and a half adjoining, in the parish of Fordwich.

The income of these estates in 1600 was 20 4 0

March 21, 1604. Leonard Cotton, gent. (mayor of the city in 1580), by his will, of this date, recites, that "he meant to increase the number of poor in Maynard's Spital, and had erected three rooms, or lodgings, in the said Spital, for three poor persons, viz. one poor man, and two poor women, to be placed therein by the mayor for the time being, out of the parish of St. Margaret, if any there capable; and if none such there, then out of the parish of St. Mildred; and if none capable there, then out of the county of the said city capable thereof. And such poor to be a widower and widows of good and honest conversation; merely poor, and of the age of 50 years at least." And for the perpetual maintenance of such poor, the testator gave to trustees "a tenement, with the appurtenances, in St. Margaret's in the said city, and another tenement, with the appurtenances, in St. Margaret's aforesaid, and another tenement and orchard, with the appurtenances, in Winecheap, in the parish of St. Mildred, in the said city; in trust to continue the same for the use and maintenance of such three poor persons in the said hospital for ever," as by the said will fully appears.

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This trust has been faithfully discharged and perpetuated.

The estates given by the testator are leased out, and produce a clear income of 4l. 17s. 6d. per quarter (or 19l. 10s. per ann.), for which the mayor gives his receipt, and the money is collected by the prior of Maynard's Spital, and paid to the three poor in Cotton's foundation quarterly.

N. B. The three houses founded by Cotton are the uppermost next Castle-street.

November 3, 1703. The houses of this hospital were blown down by the great storm. And soon after, the mayor, aldermen, and common-council drew up a petition in behalf of the poor brothers and sisters, for a subscription to rebuild the same. To this the mayor and commonalty, collectively and individually, were large contributors; as were the archbishop, dean and chapter, members for the city, the principal inhabitants, and many of the neighbouring gentry; and alderman Oughton, then chamberlain, received the subscriptions, amounting to 301l. 6s. 6½d.

Sept. 23, 1707. At a court of Burghmote, the mayor and four aldermen were appointed to forward and oversee the work.

The present houses and chapel were erected in 1708, and cost 299l. 4s. 2d. as appears by the said chamberlain's accounts.

April 30, 1768. Thomas Hanson, of Crosby-square, London, esquire, by his will of that date (proved March 10, 1770), bequeathed to this, Eastbridge and St. John's hospitals in Canterbury, the interest of 500l. each to be invested in the funds, which amounts to 17l. 10s. each a year, and is half-yearly divided among the resident brothers and sisters, by the mayor, and aldermen who have been mayors, pursuant to the said will.

April 23, 1771. William Rigden, of the city of Canterbury, brewer, by bargain and sale (enrolled in chancery, 29th of the same month) vested in trustees a messuage and smith's forge in

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the said city, in Hawk's-lane, in trust, to apply the rents in the reparations of Maynard's and Cotton's hospitals: And if any surplus should remain, the same to be yearly paid and divided among the brothers and sisters of Maynard's 7 houses, who should be constantly resident, as the said trustees should think fit to divide the same among them.

The said William Rigden died November 29, 1776, aged 82.

The annual rents of these two hospitals (including the above-mentioned 7l. paid by the city), in the year 1712 amounted to 36l. 12s. per ann. and continued nearly the same to 1770; when it appearing that several abuses had been committed in the management of the revenues, the mayor and commonalty, in their court of Burghmote, appointed a committee to examine into them, which committee made many regulations and alterations for the benefit of the hospitals; and a like committee is still continued. The annual rents (including the 7l. paid by the city) amount to 46l. 4s. on the old foundation. The fines, on renewal of leases, have been, from the year 1770, very considerably increased. And there is no doubt but that, if the mayor and commonalty continue to patronise and protect the poor of these hospitals with the same attention, its salutary effects will be farther extended.

All leases granted by the prior, brothers and sisters are [as in the archiepiscopal hospitals] with the advice and consent of the master, who signs them, and affixes the common seal.

A complete account of all the revenues of both these hospitals will soon be made out, and hung up in the chapel.

May 28, 1785,

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The seal of St. Gregory's priory (see p. 420.) is exhibited in plate X. fig. 1. The second seal in the same plate is that of Maynard's hospital (see p. 435.); the third is that of archbishop Islip, described in p. 267; the fourth is a seal found some years ago in the garden of Mr. Lacy, town clerk, in Hawk's-lane, Canterbury.

The few ruinous remains of St. Thomas's Chapel in St. Gregory's, mentioned p. 421. and drawn by Mr. Perry in plate VIII. fig. 2. have within these two or three years been removed to make way for the plough.

—— *Seges est ubi sacra fuerunt.*

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78. add, archbishop Courtney gave to this hospital 5 marks; and left St. John's hospital 5 marks, by his last will, as a legacy. (Ex Reg. eccl. Christi, Cant.)
179. note, for "p. 175" read pp. "195 and 276."
180. l. 8. for "plate IV." r. "plate VI." and l. 11. for "V." r. IV."
181. In Disbursements, l. 2. r. "two" out-brothers and "three" out-sisters and l. 4. — "thirteen" out-brothers and "twelve" out-sisters
199. l. 3. from bottom, r. "reason"
200. l. 2. for "or" r. "viz."
- l. 10. for "Mr." r. Dr."
- note * for "went" r. "was elected"
236. l. 18. for "plate IV." r. "plate VI."
- Dr. Chapman died Oct. 14, 1784; and his valuable library has been since sold by auction (1785), by Mess. Leigh and Sotheby.
273. l. 27. for "plate IV." r. "plate VI."
295. note II. l. 1. r. "calamitous"
321. after l. 18. add "See his seal, plate VI. fig. 3."
345. note, add, This ruined chapel is engraved in Mr. Thorpe's *Kentish Antiquities*, plate X. fig. 2.
360. l. 20. r. "almonry"
421. l. penult. for "plate IX." r. "plate VIII."
443. note, r. "Delanoy"

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