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# PREFACE.

THE ARUNDEL MANUSCRIPTS were originally part of the Collection of THOMAS EARL OF ARUNDEL,* a nobleman eminent for his rank and employments during the reigns of King James and Charles the First, but more distinguished by his munificent patronage of the Arts and

* The Arundel Library, formed by the *Fitzalans*, Earls of Arundel, and now in the British Museum, became the property of John Lord Lumley, who married Jane, one of the daughters and coheirs of Henry Fitzalan, last Earl of Arundel of that name. Lord Lumley's library was purchased by King James the First, and, together with the Royal Library, collected by the Sovereigns of England from the time of Henry the Seventh, was, by King George the Second, given to the Museum in the year 1757.

It is to be regretted that no accurate catalogue exists of the printed books and MSS. in the Arundel Collection previous to their being dispersed. In the Sloane Collection, No. 862, is a catalogue entitled "Catalogus librorum Bibliothecæ Norfolcianæ," made probably soon after the accession of Henry Duke of Norfolk to the title; but it is evidently an imperfect account.

A valuable collection of MSS. was formed by Lord William Howard of Naworth, (third son of Thomas, fourth Duke of Norfolk,) who died in 1640, of which a list, as they existed in 1697, was printed amongst the "Catalogi Librorum Manuscriptorum Angliæ et Hiberniæ." Some of the Naworth MSS. were, however, evidently obtained by the Earl of Arundel, and form part of those described in this Catalogue, as appears by the autograph of Lord William Howard, and some marginal notes in his hand being written in many of them. Camden, in his preface to the "Scripta Anglica," observes, that Lord William Howard published Florence of Worcester "è bibliotheca sua quam habet instructissimam."

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men of learning. Having early imbibed a taste for the Fine Arts, he indulged it with a liberality which eventually obliged him to alienate a portion of his estates. Sir Edward Walker, in his Life of this nobleman, observes,* "If he were defective in any thing, it was that he could not bring his mind to his fortune; which, though great, was far too little for the vastness of his noble designs; but it is pardonable, they being only for the glory and ornament of his country."

Shortly after the commencement of the civil commotions which distracted this country during the latter part of the reign of Charles the First, the Earl visited various places on the Continent; and being taken ill at Padua, he died there on the 26th September, 1646, having two years before been created Earl of Norfolk. His marbles, statues, pictures, medals, and books, formed, at that period, one of the finest and most splendid collections in England.

His Countess was Alathea, one of the daughters and coheirs of Gilbert Talbot, seventh Earl of Shrewsbury; by whom he had issue, Henry Frederick, who (in his father's lifetime) was summoned to Parliament as Lord Mowbray, and succeeded him as Earl of Arundel, and Sir William Howard, the unfortunate Viscount Stafford. Lord Stafford obtained many valuable articles of virtù and some of the books of this celebrated Collection, from the Countess of Arundel, in whose possession they were some time before the death of the Earl.†

To what extent the Collection of the Earl of Arundel

* P. 223.

† From a letter of Francis Junius, the Earl of Arundel's librarian, to Sir William Dugdale, dated 28th January, 1655-6, and printed in the Life, Diary, and Correspondence of Sir William Dugdale, edited by

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suffered by the abstraction of its treasures, it is impossible to ascertain, but that it did suffer considerably is certain from a letter in Evelyn's Memoirs, addressed to Mr. Pepys, dated 12th August, 1689, wherein, after lamenting the want of some public and national library, and referring to the best and most extensive private collections, Evelyn remarks—"The Royal Society at Gresham Colledge has a mixture, tho' little apposite to the institution and designe of that worthy assembly, yet of many excellent books and some few MSS. given them at my instance by the late Duke of Norfolck, which is but a part of that rare collection of good authors which by the industrie and direction of Francis Junius, the learned son of the learned Patrick, Mr. Selden, and the purchase of what was brought at once out of Germanie, was left neglected at Arundel House before it was demolished and converted into tenements." *

A portion of the marbles, statues, and library, devolved upon his eldest son, Henry Frederick Earl of Arundel, who died in 1652, leaving Thomas his eldest son, who became Earl of Arundel, Surrey, and Norfolk, and

William Hamper, Esq. p. 297, it appears that one of the oldest Greek MSS. in England, the Book of Genesis, now in the Cottonian Library, (Otho, B. VI.) was once in the Arundel Collection, but at the time of Dugdale's inquiry after it, (1656,) it was in the possession of Lord Stafford. Mr. Astle, in his "Origin and Progress of Writing," edit. 1784, 4to. p. 70, states, that the MS. in question was given by Queen Elizabeth to Sir John Fortescue, her Preceptor in Greek, who placed it in the Cotton Collection. It is clear, however, by a letter from Mr. Crowche to Sir William Dugdale, (printed in his Life, Diary, and Correspondence, p. 433,) that in 1683, that MS. was in the possession of Lady Stafford, who was then willing to dispose of it to Sir John Cotton.

* Vol. iv. 314.

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was, in 1660, restored to the Dukedom of Norfolk, with limitation to the heirs male of his father, but dying unmarried in 1677, his brother Henry, who had been created Lord Howard of Castle Rising in 1669, and Earl of Norwich and Earl Marshal of England in 1672, thereupon became Duke of Norfolk.

It was by this nobleman that the marbles and library of the Arundel Collection were finally dispersed. Amongst the persons honoured with his Grace's friendship was John Evelyn, Esq. the author of the "Sylva," and one of the founders of the Royal Society, the meetings of which, after the conflagration of the city of London, were held at Arundel House,* where the celebrated marbles were deposited: these, at the suggestion of Mr. Evelyn, he presented to the University of Oxford.†

Mr. Evelyn subsequently used his influence to procure the Arundel Library for the Royal Society, towards which body the Duke had not only shown peculiar marks of his favour, but evinced considerable anxiety for the promotion of its objects. His application was successful: the MSS. were not, however, transferred from Arundel House till after his Grace succeeded to the Dukedom, when he appears to have determined that the COLLEGE OF ARMS,

* The Society first met there 1666-7, as appears by Pepys's Memoirs, vol. iii. 123.—"9 Jan. To Arundell House, where first the Royal Society met, by the favour of Mr. Henry Howard, who was there; and here was a great meeting of worthy noble persons."

† Evelyn observes in his Diary, 19 Sept. 1667, "When I saw these precious monuments miserably neglected and scattered up and down about the garden and other parts of Arundel House, and how exceedingly the corrosive air of London impaired them, I procured him to bestow them on the University of Oxford."—Diary, vol. ii. p. 295.

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over which, as EARL MARSHAL, he presided, should share his munificence.

In Evelyn's Diary the following minute occurs.* "1678, Aug. 29. I was called to London to wait upon the Duke of Norfolk, who, having at my sole request bestowed the Arundelian Library on the Royal Society, sent me to take charge of the bookes and remove them; only stipulating that I would suffer the Heraulds' chief officer, Sir William Dugdale, to have such of them as concern'd Herauldry and the Marshall's Office, bookes of Armorie and Genealogies, the Duke being Earl Marshall of England. I procured for our Society, besides printed bookes, neere 100 MSS. some in Greek of great concernment. The printed bookes being of the oldest impressions are not the lesse valuable. I esteem them almost equal to MSS. Amongst them are most of the Fathers printed at Basil before the Jesuits abused them with their expurgatory Indexes. There is a noble MS. of Vitruvius. Many of these bookes had been presented by Popes, Cardinals, and great persons, to the Earls of Arundel and Dukes of Norfolk; and the late magnificent Earl of Arundel bought a noble library in Germanie which is in this Collection." †

It would appear from this statement that his Grace did not intend to give the College of Arms any other MSS. than such as related to the office of Earl Marshal and to Heraldry; but a great many chronicles, and other historical manuscripts, some of which are of great value, formed

* Vol. ii. p. 445.

‡ The library of Bilibald Pirckheimer, a great part of which came out of the library at Buda, that belonged to Matthias Corvinus, King of Hungary.—*Ward's Lives of the Gresham Professors*, p. 232.

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part of the donation, and from a schedule of the books in the handwriting of Sir William Dugdale, and stated to be "given by the Duke of Norfolk to the Office of Arms," it seems that it was his original intention that the College should have benefited more largely, for at the close of the list of those brought in to the College Library, Dugdale proceeds with another list, headed:

"Manuscripts intended by the Duke of Norfolke for the Office of Armes, but taken to Gresham Colledge:"*

* The following are the MSS. in question, of which, No. 45 only, did not go to Gresham College, but is No. XLVI. in this Catalogue.

N° 8. Registrum sive martyrilogium Ecclesiæ Christi Cantuar.
9. Cartularium Hospitalis, vocati Domus Dei monasterio S. Edm: de Bury olim spectans.
16. Registrum de Glastoniensi monasterio.
17. Beda de gestis Anglorum.
18. Vita S. Thomæ Cantuar: Archiepiscopi.
31. Hist: fratris Nich: Trevet (Gallicè) ab initio mundi ad R. Edw: 2dum.
45. De Nobilitate.
76. Fundatio Monasterij de Fontibus in com: Ebor: Et fundatores Monasterij de Walden.
80. Fundatio cœnobij de Waldena.
81. Will: Malmesb: Historia Regum Angl.
84. Particula terrarum monasterio de Dertford spectantium.
90. Descriptio Ingulphi Abbatis Croylandiæ.
94. Vita S. Edwardi Confessoris per Ailredum Rievallensem.
95. Registrum de diversis terris &c. adquisitis per Magistrum Iohannem de Wethamsted &c. Abbatem S. Albani.
97. Registrum Domus Elimosinariæ Sti Joh'is Colcestriæ.
100. Topographia Hiberniæ per Gyraldum Cambrensem.
116. Orders and Constitutions concerning the Nuns of Syon.
117. Accompts of the Receipts of the K. Exchequr, for half a yeare.
120. Concerning K. Henry the 8s divorce.

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Probably the influence of Mr. Evelyn prevailed, and some others of the Arundel Manuscripts intended for the College were withheld. The Council of the Royal Society immediately ordered a catalogue to be made, which was accordingly done by William Perry, one of the Professors of Gresham College, and it was printed in 1681.*

125. Lives of divers Saints in verse by John Capgrave.
141. Registrum Cartarum monasterij de Sibton in com. Norff:
147. Registrum Cartarum, sive Cartularium Abb: de Niwenham.
152. Excerpta de primâ parte Granarij Joh'is de Locoston Abbatis S. Albani.
164. Diversa ad Abbathiam de Tinterne in Wallia, spectantia."

* "Bibliotheca Norfolciana: sive Catalogus Libb. Manuscriptorum et Impressorum in omni arte et lingua, quos Illustriss. Princeps Henricus Dux Norfolciæ, &c. Regiæ Societati Londinensi pro Scientia Naturali promovenda donavit.

"Londini, Excudebat Ric. Chiswel Permissu Regiæ Societatis. 1681." 4to. The "Libri Manuscripti" occupy pp. 126—153.

To this catalogue were added, "Libri quos Regiæ Societati legavit Georgius Entius Armig. ejusdem Societatis Soc." p. 154 to 175.

Although the MSS. were not removed from Arundel House until 1678, it would seem that Mr. Evelyn had obtained the promise of them at least ten years before, as a letter is preserved in his Correspondence, (vol. 4. p. 210,) dated Sayes Court, 14 March, 1669, addressed to "Lord Henry Howard of Norfolk," in which he expresses his wish that the Society, on whom he had so generously bestowed his library, might exchange such MSS. as concerned Civill Lawe, Theologie, and other scholastic learning, for mathematical, philosophical, and such other books as might prove most usefull to the designe and institution of it: especially since the University (of Oxford) desired it. The question had been moved in a council of the Society, where a difference of opinion prevailed; and it was referred to his Lordship's decision. What the answer was does not appear, but that the object was not obtained is clear from the Preface to the Society's Catalogue.

"Hi quidem Libri magnis olim sumptibus ab illustri viro Thoma

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Of the MSS. which fell to the College of Arms, the following pages present an account, made, at the desire of a member of the College, by Mr. WILLIAM HENRY BLACK, who has devoted much time to the examination of historical MSS. and whose knowledge and zeal merit great praise. His MS. was intended to have been deposited in the College Library, but upon reflection, it was considered that few persons would look for historical MSS. or chronicles, in a library which might be presumed to consist almost exclusively of genealogical and heraldic records; and a limited impression has therefore been printed for private distribution, with the view of rendering the munificent gift more generally known, and more practically useful.

It must, however, be remarked, that it is not only for

Arundeliæ Comite redempti, è Germania in Angliam pervenerunt, iisque usi sunt non sine nominis sui celebritate, Usseri, Seldeni, Junii, Salmasii, aliique literarum antiquarum cultores. Thesaurum istum multi è Collegio vestro, ut probè æstimabant, ita non ignavis precibus impetrarunt ab illustri Henrico Norfolciæ Duce, ne alibi collocaretur quàm apud vos, quorum numero Ipse non est dedignatus adscribi. Postquam in possessionem vestram cesserat, utraque Academia gentis hujus, tanti decoris appetens, agebat apud vos, ut velletis veteres istos libros modernis scriptoribus commutare: alii autem oblatis pecuniis bene multis licitabantur totam antiquam illam gazam. Multum utrique errabant; justus semper apud vos Antiquitati suus constabit honos; nec erat civilitatis vestræ cauponari tanti viri insignem munificentiam."

The MSS. still remain in the library of the Royal Society, which learned body will, with reverence for the memory of one of their earliest and most illustrious Patrons, doubtless prevent the transfer of them to any other depository; for respect to the intentions of the donor, whose name is eminently associated with the foundation of their Society, is the only mode by which others may be excited to similar acts of munificence.

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the manuscripts here described that the Officers of Arms are indebted to Henry Duke of Norfolk. To his liberality they owe that important collection distinguished by the title of the "SHREWSBURY PAPERS," containing several thousand original letters to or from the fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh Earls of Shrewsbury, many state papers, royal surveys, muster-rolls, abbey leases, and other topographical illustrations.

It was chiefly from these MSS. that Edmund Lodge, Esq. Norroy King of Arms, whose eminent merits as a biographer are well known, selected his highly valuable "Illustrations of British History;" but many interesting articles remain unpublished.

C. G. Y.

*College of Arms,*
28 *April,* 1829.

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| XIII. | 104 | XL. | 113 |
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| XV. | 146 | XLII. | 114 |
| XVI. | 77 | XLIII. | 98 |
| XVII. | 164 | XLIV. | 45 |
| XVIII. | 96 | XLV. | 134 |
| XIX. | 110 | XLVI. | 168 |
| XX. | 144 | XLVII. | 166 |
| XXI. | 38 | XLVIII. | 82 |
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| XXIV. | 159 | LI. | 170 |
| XXV. | 148 | LII. | 161 |
| XXVI. | 171 | LIII. | 124 |
| XXVII. | 154 | LIV. | 118 |

The numbers here given are those by which Sir William Dugdale described the MSS. in a schedule taken when they were removed from Arundel House. Some of them, however, have had other numbers at a former period.

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ALL titles copied from the manuscripts are distinguished in the Catalogue by inverted commas. The words printed in italics after the titles, are those which form the beginning of the tract or article in the MS. described. In many instances the concluding words are also given. To those manuscripts which contain a variety of articles, a short general statement is prefixed to the enumeration of their particular contents.

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# A CATALOGUE of MANUSCRIPTS given to the LIBRARY of the COLLEGE of ARMS, by HENRY DUKE of NORFOLK. MDCLXXVIII.

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## I.

A manuscript on parchment, in folio, written in the XIVth century, containing 234 leaves.

1 Index in Galfridum Monumetensem, ejusque Continuatorem.

Written on paper, in the fifteenth century, and prefixed to the volume.

2 Geographica quædam; de Paradiso; de mirabilibus et comitatibus Angliæ, cum delineatione curiosa terræ habitabilis, et de censu orbis a Julio Cæsare, uti dicitur, facto; item "de Mappa mundi." f. 1.

The greater part appears to be taken from Hygden's Polychronicon.

3 "De ymagine Mundi." Incipit, *Ad instructionem multorum quibus deest copia librorum.* f. 13[b].

4 "Incipit Historia Ierosolimitana abreviata." f. 23[c].

The author was Jacobus de Vitriaco, Bishop of Acon. This work has been printed by Bongars in his collection entitled "Gesta Dei per Francos," or Historia Orientalis, vol. i. p. 1051.



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5 Historia Gaufredi Monumetensis. f. 55.

Dr. John Dee, to whom this book once belonged, has written many notes in the margins of the volume.

6 "De ortu Hyberniensium," sic nuncupatur opus quod incipit: *Gurgiunt filius Belini magni regis Britonum.* f. 91.

Dr. Dee considered this to be the production of Matthew of Westminster; but Tyrrell the historian, who perused many of these MSS. has noted, that it is neither his nor that of Florence of Worcester, and that Walsyngham and others have copied largely from it. The History begins with A.D. 75, but passes immediately to 449, and proceeds, by way of annals, to the death of King Richard in 1199. Here the work is taken up by another writer, (f. 116ᵃ,) who has filled it with copies of treaties and other documents; but the last six leaves having been cut out, this copy breaks off about the middle of the reign of Edward the Third.

7 Historia brevis Francorum ab eorum origine ad An. 1214. f. 152.

This is the title given by Tyrrell; the MS. says, "Incipit prologus de gestis Francorum.—*Cum animadverterem.*" The author was an Englishman, and completed his work in two books, in the time of King John. See f. 170ᵈ.

8 "Will's Gemeticensis monachus de gestis Normannorum ducum." f. 175.

The entire work has been printed in Camden's Collection of Historians, and in Duchesne's Norman Writers. The present is but a slender epitome of that author's twelve books.

9 "Liber Joachym et Anne uxoris de ortu beate Marie matris Christi." Inc. *Erat vir in Israel Joachim.* f. 180.

10 "Incipit Dares Frigius de Trojana distructione translatus de Greco in Latinum." f. 189.

This translation, falsely ascribed to Cornelius Nepos, is a forgery of the middle ages.

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11 "Incipit liber Theophrasti de nupcijs." f. 194[b].

The present article is only an extract from St. Jerome's Work *contra Jovinianum*, containing a short summary of that treatise, now no longer extant. The whole may be seen in St. Jerome's Works, (Paris. 1706, fol.) tom. IV. part. ii. col. 189,) see also Tyrwhitt's note on Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, ver. 9172.

12 "Epistola Alexandri magni regis Macedonis ad magistrum suum Aristotilem summum philosophum de situ Indie et ejusdem vastitate." f. 194[d].

See Warton's Hist. Eng. Po. I. p. 104. This and the following,

13 Epistolæ binæ Alexandri ad "Dindimum magistrum Bragmanorum," cum responsionibus ejusdem, f. 198[b].

were forged in the middle ages, and held in great credit: Gower has cited them in his Confessio Amantis: and an account of them occupies a whole chapter of the Polychronicon.

14 "Ortus et vita et obitus Macedonis Alexandri Regis magni." Inc. *Egipti sapientes.* f. 200[d].

There are two ancient copies of this tract in the Cottonian Library, Nero D. VIII. f. 160, and Galba E. XI. f. 111; the latter bearing this title, "Incipiunt gesta Alexandri Regis Macedonum."

15 "Epithoma de ortu et vita et obitu Alexandri Macedonum Regis magni memorie digna." —*Quoniam non est humane.* f. 206[d].

It occupies only three columns.

16 "Incipit liber Appollini.—*In civitate Anthiochie.*" f. 207[b].

Philostratus was the author of this romantic tale, called by Vossius "Mythistoria." Warton does not seem to have been acquainted with this early Latin translation, to which, however, are to be referred those various versions of it in all the *Books of Tales*, and allusions to it in the poetry of the middle ages. Gower has given the story at length



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in the eighth book of his Confessio Amantis. See Warton's Dissertation upon the *Gesta Romanorum*, chapter 154.

17 Anselmi Liber Elucidarius. *Sepius rogatus.* f. 214[b].

18 Libellus de Antichristo, Hieronymo ascriptus. f. 226[c].

19 "Incipit liber provincialis, ubi sunt omnes civitates mundi." f. 227[c].

Tracts of this kind are very frequent in ancient MSS. but they differ greatly from each other: they contain a nomenclature of all the ecclesiastical and civil authorities in their respective ages.

20 Visio Thomæ Beket, cui dedit B. Virgo aquilam auream et ampullam olei quo Reges Angliæ (de quibus vaticinata est) ungendi forent. Inc. *Quando ego Thomas Cant. Archiep.* f. 234[d].

This idle tale is not unfrequent in MSS. of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries: in the present it has been written by a different, though contemporary hand with the rest of the MS.

Besides a note of the death of Edward IV. on the last blank leaf, is the following; "Cronica quondam Thome Walmesford Ar°. iiij°. a."

## II.

A large MS. on parchment, of 277 leaves in folio: written in the XVth century. This rubric at the end contains the title:

"Explicit liber septimus et ultimus historie *Policronice* composit' per fratrem *Ranulphum* monachum *Cestrens'*."

For another copy of Hygden's work, see MS. IV.

## III.

Viri Venerabilis JOHANNIS WHETHAMSTEDE S.T.P. ACTA, dum secunda vice, S. ALBANI CŒNOBIO ABBAS præfuit.

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This valuable manuscript is the hand-writing of Abbot Whethamsted: it contains 196 leaves of parchment, of the folio size.

His former Register is still preserved in the Cottonian Library, Claudius D. I. but this, which is more beautiful, was purchased by Lord William Howard, who has written many notes in the margins. The first page is superbly illuminated, and the chief letter contains a portrait of the author seated in his abbatial chair. The writing is very fair, but the book has no other illumination. The beauty of the writing decreases towards its close, when this venerable father, having lived above a century, complains of the dimness of his sight in the most affecting manner, and was compelled to desist.

The learned have not failed to appreciate this MS. Hearne extracted all the historical matter, and published it in the volume accompanying Otterbourne, under the title of "Johannis Whethamstede Chronicon." Newcome has extracted thirty pages, (344—374,) of his History of St. Alban's from it. The editors of the new edition of Dugdale's Monasticon have given an index of its contents in vol. ii. p. 210, besides some entire documents. It would therefore be superfluous to do more than point out some parts of the volume which have not been printed in those works.

At the head of the first page stands the following distich as a general title:

"Hic prelature Whethamstede pauca secunde,
More registrantis, scribuntur gesta Johannis."

Then follows the title to the first article, which has been entirely printed by Hearne, in his edition of Walter Hemingford, (App. XII. ad præf. p. clx—clxxvij.) "Processus sub brevibus super modo et forma quibus Joh'nes dictus fuit iterum post Resignacionem in patrem et pastorem istius ecclesie reelectus."

Fo. 9b. Carta R. Henr. 6. (18 Dec. a° 27. apud Westm.) confirmans per *Inspeximus*,

10. Cartam libertatis S. Albano datum "apud Manerium nostrum de Kenyngton." 30 Apr. a° 18.—et

14. Cartam secundam de 9 Nov. a° 26. et duas alias (editas in Monastico) super donatione manerii de Penbrok per Humfridum Ducem Glocestriæ.

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21b. "Placitum Thesaurarii hospitii d'ni regis de termino Pasche anno vicesimo nono regis Henrici sexti ex parte Roberti Mildenale clerici placitorum coram baronibus de Scaccario."

26b. "Placitum de tempore Johannis Octavi," concluding with these lines—

"Inter cuncta loca que litis sunt vocitata
Est scacci camera sine spe venie reputata."

31b. Carta Regia "De libertate ecclesie in tempore vacacione," apud Westm. 6 Sept. a° 4 Ric. 2di.

38b. "Introductio terrarum et tenementorum olim Johannis Swanburne jacencium infra et juxta villam Sancti Albani."

42. "Processus cujusdam Variacionis inter Abbatem dictum et suum Officiarium generalem propter causam hic inferius subsequentem."

47b. "Processus sub brevibus de illis Mille Marcis quas fatebatur Abbas Johannes Stoke se in bursa habuisse in hora sue mortis. De illo commodoque modicissimo quod non absque scandalo ecclesie maximo provenit ex ipsis."

51. "Processus super forma et modo quibus prememoratus officiarius singula sua priora dicta super pecuniis habitis in toto retraxerat: finxeratque sibi novum dicendi modum, quo suam retraccionem caucius coloraret."

55b. "Resistencia facta cuidam militi qui nitebatur manerium de Burston ab ecclesia surripere autoritate parliamenti, &c." Sir Thomas Charleton is the person referred to: see also f. 83b. &c.

64. "Processus induccionis diversarum parcellarum terre una cum columbari jacencium de prope toftum de Squillers." It contains an amusing account how "clericus abbatis Matheus Bepset—sepius—tabernam Dee Cereris quam tabernaculum Domini Salvatoris frequentare solebat."

76b. "Processus perquisicionis Manerii de Garston, infra parochiam de Watford." Followed by the

Conveyance thereof, by William Halle of Schidington in com. Bedf. f. 77b. and letters of attorney to take seizin thereof. f. 78.

78. "Processus perquisicionis Manerii de Aygnellis infra parochiam de Redburn." And

Carta Johanne nuper uxoris Johannis Spendeloue, et feoffatorum ejus, sc. Henrici Frowyk, arm. de Southmymmes, Will. Halle, Joh. Ferrers, et Joh. Wangford. f. 78b.

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"Concessio facta Johanne Spendeloue vidue, et Johanni Ferrers de annuo redditu xxxiij$^{s}$. iiij$^{d}$ [de] octo carectatis bosci et de uno crofto cum cotagio ultra pontem de Haliwell." 79$^{b}$.

82$^{b}$. "Processus destruccionis sive deposicionis cujusdam molendini equini noviter per quemdam adventicium infra villam de Watford erecti, in lesionem ecclesie ac eciam injuriam, quotidie occupati."

83$^{b}$. "Processus expulsionis sive ejeccionis Thome Charleton Militis de Manerio de Burston cum singulis feoffatis suis."

"Mandatum domini Regis certis electis directum Justiciariis ad capiendum assisam per Johannem Abbatem Sancti Albani contra Thomam Charleton militem arramiatam." f. 85.

"Constitucio attornati pro Abbate et per Abbatem." f. 86.

"Breve regium ad procedendum in causa, et si non omnes Justiciarii commode interesse poterint in capcione supradicta." ibid.

"Recuperacio prefati Manerii tam per judicium, quam per propriam confessionem militis antedicti." f. 86$^{b}$.

Three charters produced in evidence, by Sir Thomas Charleton, are given f. 88$^{b}$. 89. 89$^{b}$.

90. "Processus cujusdam commutacionis recompensacionis sive excambii facti cum domino Manerii de la More pro certis serviciis et redditibus de dicto Manerio Monasterio sancti Albani exeuntibus."

This is deserving of notice. The author speaks in terms of high approbation of Ralph le Botiller Lord Sudeley, and describes him as a good and upright man. A Latin translation is inserted at f. 92$^{b}$. of the English letter sent on this business to Lord Sudeley at Sudeley Castle.

"Tenor relaxacionis facte super dicta commutacione," 15 Maij, 34 Henr. VI. f. 93.

"Tenor relaxacionis altere pro supradicta commutacione," eodem die. f. 95.

"Tenor primarum litterarum patencium super regia concessa licencia Domino de Sudeley ad amortizandum post debitam captam inquisicionem Monasterio de sancto Albano, suum hospicium situatum infra civitatem Londoniarum." Apud Westm. 12 Maii. f. 96$^{b}$.

"Breve regium directum," &c. cum Inquisitione inde capta apud "Guyhald—coram Will'mo Marowe Majore"—

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ac Escaetore—"die veneris proximo ante festum sancti Dunstani," 34 Henr. VI. de Tenementis in "Wyndegoselane" et "in Parochia sancte Mildrede in Poletria." f. 97ᵇ.

"Littere alie patentes Regie," de 15 Maij. f. 99.

"Prima Carta recompensacionis domini de Sudeley, facta pro relaxacionibus prius dictis, Abbati et Conventui Monasterii Sancti Albani," 16 Maij. f. 100.

"Carta alia recompensacionis," &c. 15 Maii. f. 101ᵇ.

117ᵇ. "Processus cujusdam abjuracionis facte per Reginaldum Pekok Ep'm Cicestrensem," &c. editus est ab Hearnio in secundo vol. Gualteri Hemingfordii, pp. 490—502.

121ᵇ. "Processus de evasione felonum a gaola; et de impetracione perdonacionis pro forisfaccione illa." Then follow,

"Littere patentes regie de dicte forisfacture perdonacione." f. 122.

130. "Concordia facta cum Johanne Cheyne Milite, qui per annos decem et ultra stabat cum ecclesia super certo quieto redditu in variacione."

"Quieta clamacio facta Johanni Cheyne militi, super certis arreragiis debitis Monasterio Sancti Albani." (36 Hen. VI.) f. 130ᵇ.

"Acquietancia indentata inter partes super solucione annui redditus tunc instantis." f. 131.

150. "Processus perquisicionis amortizacionisque sollempnis sumptuosique Manerii de la More in Parochia de Rickmersworth."

It appears that Sir Thomas Botiller, knight, son and heir of Ralph Botiller Lord Sudeley, had lately died; and that Lady Elizabeth, wife of Lord Sudeley, was a kinswoman of the Abbot, whose family name is said to have been Bostock. Besides the interesting narrative of the Abbot, are these documents:

"Licencia d'ni Regis plurimum graciosa ad perquirendum, et amortizandum Manerium sumptuosum, de quo fit mencio supra." 25 Maij aº 38 Henr. VI. f. 151ᵇ.

"Breve regium Will'mo Tirell armigero Escaetori in Comitatu Hertfordie ad inquirendum si sit ad dampnum," &c. f. 151ᵇ.

The compiler observes that he has omitted some documents, which were so much like those entered in a former part of the book, as not to require transcribing. He inserts, however, an indenture made by John Eure,

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Tho. Clopton, Joh. Beaufiez and Walter Warde, clerk, "super reversione predicti Manerii Abbati Monasterii Sancti Albani," 1 May, 38 Henr. VI. f. 154.

The History then proceeds as far as f. 176, and although Hearne has published the latter part of the MS. it is surprising that he should have neglected those interesting memorials which the writer has inserted about himself. At the end of the seventh year he had made this lamentation, f. 136. "Finiunt acta anni septimi. Finit eciam et labor registrantis propter senectutis egritudinisque repugnanciam in negocio registrandi:" with five verses: which that antiquary passed over, though he printed all the rest of that page and the next. But on his recovery, the Abbot wrote the acts of three more years, though with less neatness; and at length yielding to the infirmities of age, closed his literary life with words which it is impossible to omit: f. 175$^{b}$, *176.

"Finiunt acta in anno decimo. Finit eciam et hic labor scriptoris: quia senio fuerat preventus, preoccupatus vero morbo. De cujus laboris finicione de causaque finicionis, scribitur hic ulterius sub brevibus in hiis verbis metrificacionis.

"Hac nunc in decade, numerus qui dicitur esse,
In qua tocius residet perfeccio legis;
Scriba suo calamo pausam, finemque libello,
Imposuit, fessus senio, morboque repressus.
Cecutiens steterat, auditus deficiebat,
Contractique manus digiti steterant simul omnes.
Semper et ad valvas stabat mors improba pulsans,
Dixit et, *ecclesie dispone tue, moriere.*
Hac igitur causa, scriptor nichil addidit ultra:
Addere nec poterat, quia visus deficiebat.
Idem scribendi, sibi, finis eratque videndi.
Explicit, expliciunt, qualia scripta ferunt."

In this volume, (ff. 184$^{b}$—189$^{b}$,) written by the hand of the Abbot, and apparently in the earlier part of his second Abbacy, is a Catalogue, or *Conspectus*, of his Benefactions towards the Church and Abbey during his administration. Hearne has printed it at pp. 529—540. The following articles have been added by other ancient hands.

176. "Carta Baldewyni de Betune;" ibid. p. 527.

176$^{b}$. "Consolacio peccatorum contra peccatum desperacionis," incipiens, *In anno tricesimo nostri Salvatoris.* This

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tract, though in prose, is written in detached lines, so as to resemble metre. The contents are chiefly narratives of Jesus from the Gospels, dressed up in a pompous diction. Perhaps the writer, if not the author, was Robert Blakeney, whose name may be seen at the beginning of the volume.

At the end is much loose and unimportant writing; a folded parchment (f. 194) is inserted, containing historical notices relating to the right of the Abbot of St. Alban's to the advowson of the Priory of Tinmouth, extracted from Matthew Paris,—the *Gesta Abbatum*,—the very old book called *Septem Signacula*,—" Ex albo libro,—et Cronicis Risangri."

## IV.

## The *Polychronicon* of *Ranulf Hygden*, Monk of Chester.

This copy is older and fairer than the copy contained in Codex II. and appears to have been written in the XIVth century. The loss of the first twenty-four leaves, which contained the prologues and 32 chapters of the first book, is to be lamented. This rubric is at the end :—

¶ Explicit liber septimus qui est ultimus Historie Policronice. f. 162$^{b}$.

Which is followed by some historical notes of the reign of Richard the Second, written by the same person who appears to have made notes in the margins; and some of another nature, on the back of the next leaf.

This fair and ornamented volume consists of 163 leaves of parchment of the folio size.

## V.

This large volume, written on parchment, still keeps its old wooden covers, and on the right-hand one is a curious horn tablet, covering a piece of parchment with the titles of the contents, written by the original scribe. It formerly belonged to the celebrated martyrologist, John Fox, to whom Lord Howard, in a note to f. 148$^{b}$, severely but unjustly, attributes an interpolation concerning the death

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of King John; a point of history most diligently investigated by his lordship, as may be observed by his notes in many of these Chronicles.

1 "Incipit liber qui vocatur *Scala Mundi.*"—*De creacione mundi et opere prime diei.* f. 1b.

The History extends to A.D. 1469; the Chronology to 1619. Prefixed is a pedigree shewing the issue "Lodowici regis Francie," who was crowned A.D. 1227. f. 1a.

2 "Item Cronice de pontificibus sicut et imperatoribus." [Martino Polono auctore.]

The title is taken from the cover. The left-hand pages are occupied by "Pontifices Romani" (f. 77b—113b.) and the right-hand pages by "Imperatores Romani." (f. 78—114.) The last of the Popes, "Benedictus XIIus. in papam eligitur Anno dol. 1334o."

The author having treated of the Emperors as far as the faction of the Guelphs and Guibbelines, says, "Quere residuum in aliis cronicis." The Popes begin, "*Anno* xliio. *Octaviani;*" the Emperors, "*Post nativitatem domini nostri.*"

3 "Compilacio de gestis britonum et anglorum.—Prologus.—*Non solum audiendis scripture sacre verbis.*"

Another title follows, in rubric;

"Cronice de gestis ac nominibus regum britonum anglie, saxonum, danorum et normannorum.—*Sicut refert brutus in libro suo de gestis britonum.*" f. 120–1.

This Chronicle comes down to Whitsuntide in the year 1471; the last six pages appear to have been written by a person who was contemporary with the events recorded in them. 168b—171b.

Then after a few vacant leaves,

4 "Tabula succincte elaborata super scala mundi,"

Follows; but unfinished, extending only to the name *Valerianus.* The references are made by the old Arabic

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numerals, and the left and right page at each opening constitute the folio. This fine MS. written in the fifteenth century, has many marginal notes upon the third part.

## VI.

A folio MS. of the XIVth century, written on parchment. It had originally been the property "Fratris Johannis de Erghom," who noted the contents at the beginning. (f. 1$^{b}$.) It belonged sometime to Sir Edward North, before Lord Howard possessed it in 1607.

1 Freculphi episcopi Historia universalis; libris octo ante, et quinque post Christum natum. (f. 2, et 79$^{b}$.)

After the prologue the first title is thus given in rubric,

"Incipit liber primus frethulphi ep'i."

At the end,

"Hic terminum censui meorum imponere librorum." f. 107$^{b}$.

The author Freculfus (written Frethulphus in this MS.) was Bishop of Lezoux in France, from 823 to 851; see Fabricii Bibl. Lat. Med. Æt. Tom. II. p. 603—4, concerning him and the editions of his work.

2 Johannis Tayster "Incipit Cronica abbreviata a principio mundi" ad annum 1287.

Richard James, and another learned person, have noted the author's name in Erghom's list of contents, from the passage where he says that he took the habit of monkhood, on St. Edmund's Day, A.D. 1277, f. 123$^{b}$.

3 "Historia ab adventu anglorum usque ad annum Christi 1357."

Erghom, who seems to have written this tract, has given it this title in the contents. It is not in columns as the rest of the MS. but in long lines; and of the middle of the XVth century. It begins, *Vortigernus rex*, and ends, *magna mediante redempcione*. f. 125—145.

On this last leaf James Necton has written some Greek and Latin mottoes, (sæc. xvi.) and the name of "John Ortone" also appears.

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## VII.

Thome Walsynghamii Historia, ab initio regni Edwardi primi ad finem Henrici quinti Regis Angliæ.

A fair copy on vellum, in small folio, of the XVth century, containing 590 pages. It appears to differ in many places from the printed editions. Between pp. 202—3, some one in the following century inserted a paper leaf containing a supplement: and added ten others at the end, containing two letters of Edward the Third to the Pope, with answers; the first of which was "Dat' apud Andwerp 16 die Julii, Anno d'ni 1339."

## VIII.

1 The old English Chronicle commonly called BRUTE OF ENGLAND, reaching to the end of Henry the Fifth's reign; beginning with this rubric: "How thys londe was forste calde Albyon and of whom hit had that name, ye schull here as hit followyth afterward, etc. *In the yere from the begyning of the worde*" (3800, about "Dyoclusyan") and ending thus, "*and ys buryed at Westmystre.*"

Then after twenty-one blank pages, follow,

2 A long and multifarious Legend of S. Michael,

Full of absurd miracles and monkish philosophy, beginning (f. 69.)

"Seynte Michel the Archangel and his felawes also
Ben bytwen god and us to teche us what we shull doo."

The various rubrics which run along the top of the pages of the copy in the Harl. MS. 2277, misled Wanley when he divided this legend into two parts; (see Harl. Cat. 2277, n. 43—44;) but the last line, "That seint Michel hem ["ous," Harl.] mote affong and bifore hym lede,"

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would establish that the poem was continuous, independently of the present copy.

3 "Incipit Vita et passio beati Thome Cantuar. *Gilberd was thomas fader is name y^t trew man was and goode.*" f. 80^b.

This legend is somewhat imperfect, but the defect of two or three pages may be supplied by other copies of that ancient collection of legends to which both of these belong, which Warton (who has given specimens of the latter from a Bodleian MS. 8vo. edit. Vol. I. p. 19) assigns to too early a period: they were evidently written in the time of Edward the First, and very probably by the author of the Chronicle called Robert of Gloucester's; the style and metre of which bear a complete resemblance to these compositions. The present copy is modernized, and the readings are corrupt, in many places, though it is well written.

This MS. is in quarto, written on parchment, in the time of Henry the Sixth, containing 116 leaves.

## IX.

This volume consists of two MSS. on parchment, in folio, bound together.

I.—The first is a Greek-Latin Glossary or Lexicon, written, and probably compiled in the XIIIth century: the characters are barbarous, composed of Greek letters mingled with the English record hand. The scribe has written this title at the bottom of the first page,

"Parcionarium grecum,"

And the work begins thus:

"[A] significat 7 [i. e. septem habet significationes] ut dicitur in libro de erotimatibus. defectum ut aphilos sine amicis."

This is not the production of an unlearned person; perhaps its author was Roger Bacon or Robert Grosthead, who are known to have been Greek scholars, or one of their acquaintances. The MS. contains besides—

1. Descents of the Earl of Provence, and Sanctius Earl of Aragon, fairly drawn by Lord Howard on the fragments of four parchment leaves at the beginning.

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2. Between ff. 1—2, is fixed in a small strip of vellum, containing the most frequent abbreviations used by the Greeks in their MSS. in the thirteenth century; with a few Arabic figures.

3. "Nomina mensium anni, Macedonicè—Egipciace—Grece," in fine, post "Explicit Deo sit honor et gloria." f. 54e.

4. Then follows a passage "In Suda;" that is, out of Suidas, concerning the σκυταλη of the Lacedæmonians, etc.

5. "Nomina ventorum," 54f.

6. A short supplement of words, beginning with Aβ and Aγ.

II.—The second MS. has on one page at the beginning, (f. 56,)

"Hæc sunt cognomina procerum qui intraverunt Angliam cum Rege Willielmo Duce Normannorum Conquestore Angliæ et qui inheredati sunt in Anglia in feodum Militare." "*Maundevile—Daundevile—Frevile.*"

An incorrect copy from John Brompton's Annals, in Twysden's Scriptores, col. 963—5; and the introductory French metres are not here.

After four blank pages, is a drawing with pen and ink, of King Stephen, at f. 58, sitting; and at f. 92a and 106, are similar drawings of Henry and Edward. Then,

"Incipit prologus fratris Nicholai Trivet ordinis predicatorum in annales Regum Angliæ qui a Comitibus Andegavensibus suam traxerunt originem secundum Lineam Masculinam."—*Atheniensium Romanorumque res gestas.* f. 59.

This is a good copy, and as old as any other existing, having been written in the time of the author, early in the fourteenth century. It was not used by Dr. Ant. Hall, the diligent and worthy editor of Nicholas Trivet's Annals at Oxford, 1719, 8vo.

Lord Howard has prefixed a pedigree of eight descents, from William the Conqueror: and at f. 123b is a Series of the Anglo-Saxon Kings under the Heptarchy, in an ancient hand.

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## X.

A MS. on parchment, very beautifully written in the XIIIth century, in small folio; the ancient binding is yet in good preservation.

At the beginning are two metrical prophecies, of twelve lines each, (sæc. XV.) beginning,

*Idus novembris*, and *Flamine Romano*,

and under them a note, that "Dr. Griffin deane of Lincoln was convented," A.D. 1590, for preaching unsound doctrine.

1 Liber continens Seriem Romanorum Pontificum, Archiepiscoporum et Episcoporum Angliæ et Hiberniæ; in quo agitur etiam "de consuetudinibus Rom. Ecclesie," de Cardinalibus, etc. cum Notitia Ecclesiastica urbis Romanæ. Incipit "Prologus, *Annum ab ea die qua Petrus apostolus Rome primo cathedram pontificalem ascendit feliciter inchoatum, opusculo presenti primordium parare cognoscas.*" f. 1.

This work appears to have been compiled early in the XIIIth century.

2 A Chronicle in Latin, of the Popes, Emperors and Kings, from the commencement of the Christian era to the end of the twelfth century. It commences, *Petrus in anno vj. post passionem d'ni.* f. 18b.

The writing is very beautiful, and the names in the successions are written with letters, and contained in circles, of delicate colours.

3 A Chronicle from the Birth of Jesus Christ to the beginning of the reign of Henry the Third, and continued by other hands to A.D. 1309. These are the first words: *Inter scrip-*

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*ture sacre cronographos prima causa dissentionum translationum est varietas.*" f. 39.

The author was probably a monk of Barnwell, as Lord Howard conjectured, from the very curious notes relating to that monastery, in the margins of f. 68[c]. 81[b]. 83[b].

4 "De Ortu Religionum," i. e. Ordinum Religiosorum, quædam. f. 114[b].

At the end of the volume, "J. de Wangeford" is written, in a hand of the thirteenth century.

## XI.

This is a parchment MS. of the XIIIth century. Small folio. In it are contained—

1 Cronicon Terræ Sanctæ, et de captis a Saladino Hierosolymis, auctore Radulpho Abbate de Coggeshale in Com. Essex. ordinis Cistertiensis. Inc. "*Quantis pressuris.*" f. 1. In fine habetur "Epistola Sahaladini ad Fredericum imperatorem," etc.

2 Tractatulus "De Ducibus normannie et Regibus anglie." Inc. "*Primus normannie dux.*" f. 15[d].

3 Chronicon Magistri Radulphi Nigri, cum additamentis Radulphi Coggeshalensis Abbatis. Præfatio sic inc. "*Et si succensere sibi.*" f. 17.

Towards the end, the author giving vent to his own feelings, breaks out into a most bitter invective against Henry the Second, by whom he had been banished, together with his master and friend, Archbishop Becket. The Abbot of Coggeshall, before he proceeds in continuation of the Chronicle from 1162 to 1168, partly excuses, and partly refutes the excesses of this author.

4 Chronicon breve Radulphi Abb. Cog. quod inc. "*Anno gracie millesimo centesimo xiiij. Rex Henricus senior.*" f. 40[d].



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It extends to the year 1158. Then begin,

5 Some tales about the Emperor Justinian. f. 44c.

6 Chronicon succinctum, sive Epitome alterius quod sequitur, eodem auctore. Inc. "M. lxv. *Beatus Edwardus Rex anglorum obdormivit in domino.*" f. 45b.

It goes on to 1225. Then immediately, without any title, f. 51d. begins,

7 Radulphi Abb. Coggeshalensis Chronicon majus: quod a Conquestu Angliæ per Willielmum Norm. ducem, inchoatum. It terminates abruptly in the year 1223, with these words: "*elegit ut terram relinqueret et transma....*"

Many circumstances render it more than probable that this MS. is a duplicate autograph copy of the author, with the Cottonian, Vespas. D.x. On a collation of these MSS. together with the Royal MS. 13 A. xii. (in which are Rad. Niger's and Rad. Coggeshale's greater chronicle,) the variations were found to be considerable. The first tract in the present volume is not known to exist elsewhere.

The last and largest work of this Abbot of Coggeshale is full of curiosities, and contains many narrations taken from the mouths of eye-witnesses, whose names are given. (See MS. XXIV.) It begins with these words: "*Anno ab incarnatione domini*, M°. lxvi°."

8 On the last leaf, besides a note of the voyage of Edw. III. in 1337, and a short French note on the London weights and monies, is a very curious Latin poem on the GAME OF CHESS, of twenty-eight lines, written in the thirteenth century, which begins,

"Hic fit formosa sine sanguine pugna jocosa."

Which was printed by Hyde, Hist. Shahiludii, Pt. I. p. 181, 8vo. Oxon. 1694, from a copy in the library of Daventer, in Holland. A third is in MS. Bodl. No. 487.

Besides Lord Howard, this MS. has found a diligent scrutinizer in Bishop Tanner. A short account of its contents is described on a paper within the cover.

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## XII.

An admirable manuscript, written in a fair Roman character, by the author, for the use of his patron, Humphrey Duke of Gloucester; as appears by his arms, in the illuminated capital.

"Invictissimi Anglorum Franciæque Regis HENRICI QUINTI ad ejus filium Christianissimum Regem Henricum sextum vita per T. LIVIUM DE FRULOVISIIS Ferrariensem edita feliciter incipit."

It is surprising that when Hearne published this work at Oxford, (1716, 8vo.) he was unacquainted with the present copy; and that his friend, Garter Anstis, should have confounded this MS. with Number XV. See pref. p. vii. The margins are ample, and contain fair notes by Lord Howard; the parchment is delicate, and the leaves are in number seventy, of the smaller folio size.

## XIII.

This small folio volume consists of two MSS. on parchment, bound together. In the former is contained,—

"Cronica Will'i de Gisseburn' de Gestis Regum Anglie." "Prohemium,—*Ne fastidiosus occurram.*"

Dr. Gale published the former part of this work in his Scriptores, Tom. II. pp. 453—594, from the Conquest to A.D. 1273; and Hearne, the remainder at Oxford, 1731, 2 vol. 8vo, under the title of "Walteri Hemingfordii Historia." Besides other MSS. Hearne was accommodated with the present, which he attributes to the reign of Henry the Fifth. Stowe appears to have used it, from vestiges of his writing, which are not unfrequent in other Arundelian MSS.

II. The other MS. written in the XIIIth century, (ff. 111—162,) contains a work to which this title was written by the possessor in the XVth century,

"Brito super Prologis Biblie."



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The prologue is written in verse, and begins,

"Partibus expositis textus nova cura cor angit."

The work is a Commentary upon the Prologues to the Bible and its several books ascribed to Jerome; the author chiefly treats them grammatically. See Tanner about Gulielmus Brito, p. 128; but Saxius has more rightly placed his death "circa 1224," than the former, in 1356. (Onomast. Lit. II. p. 294.) Perhaps this copy is not complete.

## XIV.

This is a valuable quarto volume, in its old wooden covers, containing 238 leaves of parchment, written for the most part with two columns on each page, about the beginning of the XIVth century. It is rich in old French Romances, of which the first is,

1 Le Brut de Mestre Robert Wace; beginning "Brut

"Qvi velt oir e velt saveir
De roi en roi e deir en eir
Quels il furent et dont vindrent
Qui engletere primes tindrent." f. 1.

2 A Continuation of the *Brut*, in the same language and metre, to the death of William Rufus, by Geoffrei Gaimar. f. 93.

Notwithstanding the industry of Geoffrei Gaimar in compiling the British and Anglo-Saxon Histories in French metre of eight syllables, which he appears to have completed about 1145, ten years before Wace finished the Brut, yet this work became so much more popular as to gain the ascendency by superseding Gaimar's former part, and converting the latter into a mere supplement to the Brut. Indeed the only memorials which the ingenious Professor De la Rue could obtain concerning this deserving poet, were derived from the Royal MS. 13 A. xxi. in which his Anglo-Saxon History is in this manner subjoined to a valuable copy of the Brut, written in the thirteenth century. See his epistolary dissertation on Wace, in the Archæologia, vol. xii. p. 50—79; and his Memorials of the Lives and Writings of Anglo-Norman Poets, p. 307—312, about Gaimar.

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This ingenious writer considered the former part of Gaimar's labours, containing the British history, to be lost, and was not aware of the existence of a second copy of the latter part. Yet it is not improbable that, when the light has penetrated farther into the "sepulchres of ancient MSS." it may be restored to the world; for besides this copy of the latter part, other copies exist in the cathedral libraries of Durham (C. iv. 27.) and Lincoln (No. 50.), from a collation of which the text may be rendered complete. The present MS. is destitute of the title, introduction, and epilogue, which have supplied M. De la Rue with his interesting memorials, having been so stripped by the scribe as to appear nothing more than a Continuation of the Brut. The Royal MS. begins thus: "Ci comence lestorie des engles solum la translacion maistre GEFFREI GAIMAR. *Ca en arere el livere bien devant.*" After five mutilated leaves, containing the story of Havelok, (see the next article), is the commencement of the work, as in the present copy:

"Donc out de la Nativite
Bien pres de cink cenz ans passe."

The very interesting epilogue, which states that "Dame *Custance* la gentil," the wife of Ralph Fitz Gilbert, patronized the author's undertaking; by her wealth and influence enabling him to procure, or to travel about to peruse, divers chronicles in English, Latin, and French, from which he compiled his poem;—is wholly wanting in the present copy, which ends thus, at f. 124[d]—

"Qui ceo ne creit aut a Wincestre,
Oir porra si voir poet estre."

In the Cottonian MS. Vitell. A. X. of the thirteenth century, and once belonging to Fountains Abbey, Wace's colophon—

"Puis que deus incarnacion
Prist pur n're redempcion
Mile cent e cinquant e cink ans
Fist mestre Gace cest romanz:"—

is omitted, and the poem goes on (*Ki engleterre longes tindrent*, f. 114[d].) until the beginning of Henry III. where it ends thus, "*Isabele tint od grant noblei.*" This continuation differs entirely from Gaimar's.

3 Lai de Haveloc. *Volenters deveroit lom oir.* f. 125[b].

That this is the original and separate form of the Romance of Havelok, is proved by the discovery of another copy, in

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the possession of Sir Thomas Phillipps, Bart. It was subsequently abridged by Geoffrey Gaimar, and inserted in his Chronicle, as appears from the Royal ,Durham, and Lincoln MSS. from which the present copy, singularly in this respect, differs. It is unquestionably the prototype of the English Romance on the same subject, referred to by Robert Mannyng of Brunne, in his Chronicle (p. 25, Ed. Hearne), of which an unique MS. copy exists in the Bodleian Library, Laud. No. 108.

Both the French and English texts of this romance (the former taken from the present copy) have been lately edited by Frederic Madden, Esq. Assistant Keeper of the MSS. in the British Museum, and in that gentleman's elaborate Introduction may be found a full examination of the subject.

4 Piers de Langtoft's Life of "Edward fiz H." with this title; "En icest livre troverez vous escrit trestut la proces de tote la controversie que mi sire Edward Roy de Engletere ad suffert pur son realme de puis le primer jour de son coronement desques al jor quil se laissa morir: si contient xlviij chapitles." f. 133.

Though Piers was undoubtedly the author of this poem, it differs almost throughout from that part of his Chronicle in the Sheldon MS. in this collection, (No. 61,) and agrees more with the copy in the Cottonian Library, (Julius A.V.) of which Bp. Nicolson speaking, says that Piers "bestows one whole Book upon Edward I." The present copy seems to have been executed in the reign of Edward the Second, and is perhaps in the form to which Piers reduced his rough contemporary notes which form the latter part of the Cottonian MS. An index of chapters is prefixed. The prologue of twenty-seven lines (all which, according to the author's custom, end with the same rhyme) begins, "*Ky vielt oir des Rois coment chescuns vesquist,*" and the first chapter, "*Le jour seint Eadmond qui gist en pontenie.*" A similar copy to this, but imperfect, is preserved in the Bodleian library, MS. Fairfax, No. 24. The last chapter in the present MS. contains the death of the Earl of Athol, A.D. 1306, and terminates with the following lines:

"E si le vus otreie pur les sues bontez,
Amen ceo devoms dire sis druz e sis privez. Amen."

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5 "La lignee des Bretons et des Engleis," (etc.) f. 148.

A long title is prefixed to this series of the British Saxon and Norman Kings; Edward III. and Richard II. were added by another hand.

6 The long Romance of "Percèval le Galois.—*Qui petit seme petit quielt.*" f. 150.

Of this Romance copies exist in the Royal Library at Paris, but no other MS. of it is known in England. The original author of this poem was Chrestien de Troyes, who flourished before 1190, but who leaving the work unfinished, it was resumed by Gautier de Denet, and ultimately completed by Messenier. (Roquefort, Poesie Franç. p. 194.) It was subsequently reduced to prose, and printed in folio, Par. 1530. An English metrical translation of it, ascribed to Robert de Thornton, who died in 1450, is preserved in a collection of similar pieces made by him, in the library of Lincoln cathedral. The concluding words are,

"E ma dame al houre seoit,
En unes loges e si oioit."

7 "Ceste ditee fist Water de Henleye.—*Primes aprent coment hom deit governer teres e tenemenz et meisnee sagement e ordinaument.*" f. 222.

This article, although called a *Ditee*, is in prose; and the Latin MSS. (which are very rare) call it *Carmen*. See Mr. Douce's note on the Lansdowne MS. 1176, and Tanneri Bibl. p. 353.

8 A long French poem, written by another hand, (Sæc. xv.) beginning thus,— (f. 230.)

"Bien est raisoun et droiture
Que toux iceaux que mettent cure
De bien et loialment amere,
Entierment saunz fauser;
D'amour eient celle guerdoun,
De lour tourne a garisoun,
De lour maux et lours dolours,
Que ils edurent nuyt et jours."

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The subject may easily be gathered hence. It ends thus, at f. 238.—

" Ceo nous otroye luy salveour
Que morust pur nostre amour. Amen."

## XV.

Thomæ de Elmham Vita et Gesta Henrici Quinti, Anglorum Regis.—"*Lucerna sub modio posita.*"

This is a fair MS. on parchment, in quarto, written in the middle of the XVth century. At the beginning is the autograph of *R. Walle*, with a beautiful emblem of that name, explained by Lord Howard. The name occurs again at the end with this verse,—

" Claudatur muro, constat liber iste Rogero.
Rogerus Walle."

The identity of the writing of this book, and of the Statutes of Lichfield Cathedral in the Cottonian MS. Vitell. A.x. proves that Roger Walle was the writer of both. He held the prebend of Eccleshale in that church in 1454, in which year he made the alphabetical table prefixed to that MS.; he was afterwards Archdeacon of Stafford, and then of Coventry, in 1459.

See Hearne's preface to his edition of the work, for farther notices of this MS. which he used in preparing that publication, (Oxford, 1727, 8vo.) whence the above title is taken, the MS. not having any. At the end of the volume he has given an account of a similar MS. of Elmham's *Metrical* History of Henry V. written by Roger Walle, then in the possession of Thomas Martin the antiquary.

## XVI.

A thin folio of 46 leaves, which were anciently part of a larger volume, the corners of the leaves still shewing the old numbers, from xxxvij to lxxxiiij.

Venerabilis Bedæ Presbyteri Historia Ecclesiastica Gentis Anglorum, libris quinque: accedunt Elenchus Librorum ejus, et " Epistola

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de transitu venerabilis Bede presbiteri et Giruensis monachi."

Written in the latter part of the XIIIth century, on parchment.

## XVII.

A folio volume, containing two books bound together.

1 The "Appoinctements" of "the newe house of houses principall of Ingland in tymes of peace,—by the great counsayl of Lordez spirituall and temporall, The Cardinall of Caunt. George Duke of Clar., R. Duke of Glouceter, the wise and discrete Jugez, and other sad advised and well lerned men of Ingland," under King Edward the Fourth.

This title is gathered from the last prologue, at page 10. The book is an imperfect copy (made in the time of Henry VIII.) of the "Liber Niger Domus Regis Angliæ, id est, Domus Angliæ sive Aulæ Regiæ Regis Edw. IV." published by the Society of Antiquaries, in the "Collection of Ordinances and Regulations for the Government of the King's Household." 1799, 4°. pp. 15—85. Sir William Dugdale has put the following title at the beginning:

"The State of the King's house, with Orders and Rules for the Entertainment of all States and Degrees therein. Also the names of the Officers, their Duties, and antient Fees."

2 The second book is well written, on twenty-two leaves of parchment, in the court-hand; having a figure of Henry VIII. drawn in the initial H of the following title, at f. 3b.

"Hereafter ensuyth certayne Artycles whyche were made and appoynted by the mooste Excellent and Vyctoryous Prynce Kynge Henry the viij$^{th}$ And by thadvyse of hys mooste noble Counsell the iiij$^{th}$ daye of February in the xvij$^{th}$ yere of hys mooste noble Rayne. Conc'nyng the ordryng and servyce of hys

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Chambr's And the dueties of hys Offycers and servauntes bylongyng to the same. Sygned wyth hys mooste gracyous hande."

On the first leaf is written another title—

"The booke of Henrie Erle of Arundell, Lorde Chamb'laine to Kyng Henry theight: and Copie of a Book signed by his Maiestie, and delyuered vnto therle of Worceto$^{r}$ somtyme Lord Chamb'laine to his highnes."

In the latter part of the book, which appears to be imperfect, is inserted,

"The Renownssement of the Popis power and jurisdiction By the busshops of Englonde vnto the Kinges highnes, And the othe and power gyven vnto theym only by the King w$^{t}$ in this his Realme." f. 20$^{b}$.

## XVIII.

This is the first of six MSS. bound together in one folio volume, and marked 18, 19, 36, 38, 39, 42.

It consists of thirty-two large pages, written on parchment, anterior to the middle of the XIVth century, and contains—

1 Chronicon ab Edwardo I. defuncto, (A.D. 1307,) usque ad annum 1320. Inc. "Anno gratie Millesimo CCC$^{mo}$. vij°. Non. Julij obijt illustris miles Rex invincibilis flosque tocius milicie, Edwardus Rex Anglie, apud Burgh-upe-sondes." page 1.

This Chronicle was published by Dr. Ant. Hall, in 1722, from a MS. in Queen's Coll. Oxford, as a continuation of Nicholas Trivet's Annals; but the beginning of this copy differs from it, not being subjoined to another work.

2 "Incipit Continuatio Cronicarum regum Anglie cum interposicione quorundam casuum contingencium in curia Romana et regno Francie sicut eidem scribenti suis temporibus occurrebant.—*Quoniam ut scribitur per antiquos.*" p. 14.

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This MS. contains the Annals of ADAM MURYMUTH, prebendary of St. Paul's, whose valuable History of his Own Time was compiled "ex libro dierum meorum." The present copy agrees with the MS. just mentioned, from which Dr. Hall published it in the same volume, pp. 33—89. It embraces the period of thirty-four years, from 1303 to 1336: yet there are MSS. in which the period varies from 1302 to 1343, 1303 to 1340 or 1342, 1320 to 1380, 1323 to 1346 or 1347, and 1326 to 1345. Hearne published another copy as an anonymous chronicle of ten years from 1306, for a supplement to Walter Hemingford.

The last words are, *Item quod nullus uteretur pellura transmarina nisi habeat in redditibus centum libras.* This note is written at the end, "An° 1337: usque ad a^m 1343, continuatur in aliis exemplaribus MSS." A continuation has also been printed by Dr. Hall, pp. 95—152, containing the years 1337 to 1380.

## XIX.

A parchment book in folio, (bound with the preceding,) once the property "Roberti Hare," a diligent antiquary in the sixteenth century, whose MS. collections are partly in this library and partly in that of Caius College, Cambridge.

It contains one of those CHRONICLES OF LONDON which it was usual for the more intelligent citizens to keep in the fifteenth century; materially different from one lately published by Longman. London, 4to. 1827.

The first part contains the succession of Sheriffs and Provosts from the beginning of the reign of William Rufus, of Wardens and Bailiffs from Richard the First. And then "The Meyers" and "The Shireves of London," from the same time to 1465; beginning with this rubric:

"Principalis Gubernator Civitatis London. Tempore Sancti Edwardi Regis vocabatur Portshyreve et nomen ejus Wlgarus."

The second part, at f. 9—

"Her begynneth certeyn Croniclis of certeyn kyngis, that han be in Inglond fro the time of Kyng Richard Conquerour un to this tyme and what special thingis hath been doon in

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her dayes and who were bailies either mairis tho in the Cite of London. The coronacyon of the same kyng Richard the first was in the thridde day off Septembre the yeer of oure Lord M.C. foure score and ix. Harry Cornhille baily and Rychard Ryvere schreve. *And that same yeer began the ordre of sentomkis of prews in the first yeer of kyng Richard the firste.*"

This copy ends at 33b. A.D. 1451, "*And the kynge toke hem to grace and alle*" .... apparently imperfect.

The three last leaves contain a continuation (by the same hand) of the mayors and sheriffs from 1461 to 1475; with additions, as far as 1533, perhaps by "Jhon Wrygtynton," who has written his name at the beginning of the book, as it appears, when reversed. The same hand has written historical notes from 1421 to 1522, beneath several pages of the Chronicle.

## XX.

A good MS. on parchment, in small quarto, well written, and in all probability the author's original copy; as it belonged to Christ Church (of which he was a monk) in the fifteenth century, according to this inscription: "Liber Cronicarum Eccl'ie X'pi. cantuarie. Pertinet Dompno Joh'ni Sudburye ejusdem eccl'ie commonacho."

1 An ample astronomical Calendar, followed by very curious Tables and Canons "Magistri Petri de Dacia dicti Philomena."

These are written on ten leaves (not numbered) by the same hand as the rest of the volume.

2 A Chronology from the Creation to A.D. 1316, (but written in 1325,) beg. "*In principio creavit.*" ending "Anno gratie M°. CCC°. xvj°. die Assumpcionis beate Marie videlicet xviij kalend. Augusti apud Eltham Nat. Jo-

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hannis filij Regis nostri Edwardi quinti fil. Regis Edwardi Quarti." f. 16.*

This, and the rest of the volume, was written by John of London; see Tanneri Bibl. Brit. p. 436.

3 "Incipiunt Cronica de Adquisicione Regni Angl. per Will'm ducem Normann.—de convencionibus inter Will'm Ducem et Haroldum." f. 1.

This chronicle comes down to the death of Edward I. in 1306-7; when follows,

4 "Commendacio lamentabilis in transitum magni Regis Edwardi quarti [quem *primum* vulgo vocamus] secundum Johannem de London. Et factum est verbum domini ad me dicens fili hominis sume tibi librum grandem et scribe in eo lamentaciones et carmen et ve: Et reliqua. Prefacio in presenti opusculo." f. 82b.

This very curious tract is inscribed to the queen Margaret, and contains these heads: "Descriptio corporalis Regis Edwardi.—Commendacio lamentabilis Comitum et Baronum—Margarete Regine—Comitum et Baronum—Militum—clericorum—laicorum,"—and ends thus, "Non nobis Domine, non nobis, set nomini tuo da gloriam, et Johanni de London peccatorum veniam."

5 A Continuation of the Chronicle by the same author, 1307—1317. f. 91b.

6 The proceedings and judgment against Thomas Earl of Lancaster, in 1321, contained in Letters Patent of *Inspeximus*, 5 May, 15 Edw. 2. f. 94b.

This is properly a part of the Chronicle; which ends in the next year with an account of the decapitation of Lord Badlesmere, whose head was placed "*super portam civitatis que Burgate dicitur.*"

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## XXI.

A splendid small volume in quarto, written in the XVth century, upon sixty-four leaves of the purest vellum. "D. Abrahamo Ortelio, Johannes Moretus, emebat et donabat," before the Earl of Arundel obtained it "15° January 1621 at London."

These titles are given to two tables of contents at the beginning: "Sensuit la table de ce present livre des Ordonnances de la Thoison d'Or," f. 2. "Sensuit la table et ordonnance des quatre officiers appertenans a la dicte ordre." f. 4ᵇ.

1 "Cest livre comprent et declare l'ordre de la Thoyson d'Or, Selon les derrenieres corrections faite environ le temps que la Thoyson se tint en la ville de Gand. Et que le roy d'Aragon fut esleu chevalier dudit ordre. Excepte la dotacion et fondacion principale. Que monseigneur le duc Souverain chief Et fondateur dudit ordre est tenus de faire. Lesquelles choses on maintient estre a Dijon." f. 6ᵇ.

2 "Sensuivent lez Ordonnances et Instructions que tres-excellent, Treshault et trespuissant Prince monsʳ le Duc Ph'e De Bourgoingne [etc.] Fondateur et Souverain de lordre de la Thoison d'Or Pour lui et ses successeurs ducs de Bourgoingne souverains dudit ordre. A fait et donne a quatre officiers quil a ordonne et establi pour servir a Icellui ordre. Cest assavoir Chancellier Tresorier Greffier et roy darmez." f. 33ᵇ.

3 "Sensuivent les serimonies a garder es solempnitez et festez de l'ordre du Thoyson d'or." f. 43.

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4 Minutes of Chapters of the Order, from the commencement in 1429, to the 22nd in 1481. f. 56[b].

There are several decorations to this MS.

## XXII.

A fine folio MS. of the XIVth century, written in double columns, upon eighty leaves of parchment.

1 The old-English metrical romance of the Battle of Troy; beginning,

Syth god tyhys worle had wroght
Heven and Erthe al thyng of noght
Fele aventures havet be falle
We that now levyn con noght telle alle.—f. 1.

A painted border surrounds this page. Mr. Todd, in his Illustrations of Gower and Chaucer, (p. 164,) has described a copy of this romance, which he thought to be unique, preserved in a MS. in the Marquis of Stafford's Library. The extracts there given shew that the texts of the two copies are very different, and that the present is only an abridgment of the other, which occupies 23 pages and a half, of a small folio volume. The division of that poem into ten "battayles," is not observable here; the first, third, sixth, seventh and eighth, only being counted. It seems rather to be divided into two portions, from these words at f. 4[d].

Her ys the *halvyndell* of our *geste*:
God save us, mest and lest:
Fyl the cuppe and make ous glad
For the maker thus so bad.

And the last words are similar, f. 8[b].

Thay ferdyn mery, and so mot we;
Amen, amen, pur charyte.

The poem, however, seems to have been here intended for an introduction to the work, which occupies the rest of the MS.

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2 A Translation of Geoffrey of Monmouth's History, into old-English, by "Maister Gnaor." f. 8b.

A short prologue is prefixed ("*God that nath no bygynnyng no never schal have endyng,*") in which "Walter archedene of Oxenforde" is said to have translated "out of spech of brytonys into latyn" the original work. The translation begins: "Bretayne ys the beste lond that me knowyth, and ys in the west of the ocean, by twyne France that thenne clepyd galla and erlond."

The translation is much larger than the original work of Geoffrey, and seems to abound in interpolations. The prophecies of Merlin are inserted in Latin (at f. 44b.) because "I ne can noght hem wel understonde, for y nolde nothyng saye but hyt soth were that y sayde." In the story of Arthur at Avalon, the translator tells his own name, (f. 74c.) "ghut he ys there as bretons lyfeth and understondeth, as they ghut understondeth and seggeth ghut fro thennes he schal come, and he may lyfe MAISTER GNAOR *that thus book made*, he nold no mor sigge of ghende thenne the prophet Merlyn seyght."

The copy being imperfect and ending abruptly, a former possessor supplied three paper leaves, and on the second wrote this note:—"For as much as the end of this boke is imperfect; And havinge an auncient originale written in Lattine by Gefferay of Monmouth de gestis britonum; (out of the which this semeth to be Translated,) I did examyne them togeather, And fyndinge that they both vouch one Authore that is, Walter Archdecon of Oxford, and also observe on course from Brute unto Cadwalleder, therefore I have thought it good to make this addition out of the sayd Gefferay of Monmouth. Joseph Holand 1588."

Curious as this MS. is, there is a fragment bound with it of equal, if not greater curiosity;—two leaves of a LECTIONARY from the GOSPELS of the IXth or Xth century. The writing is in a large and beautiful Roman character, upon the purest vellum. The first page is entirely written with large capitals of gold within a border of exquisite art; and the whole bright and unspotted. The entire MS. would in its time have borne a comparison with the famous *Textus Dunelmensis*, or with the *Codices Aurei* of the Harleian Library. (No. 2788 and 2797.)

There are also three leaves at the beginning of this volume, and three at the end, which are a fragment of an

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exquisite Psalter of the XIVth century; the writing and ornaments are superb.

## XXIII.

A small quarto volume on parchment, originally contrived so as to fold up as a Book, or to spread out as a Roll. It consists of 54 pages. This title occurs at the beginning:

"Ce Precent livre comence a Adam, et parle de sa ligne jusques au premire Roy de bretaigne, et ainsi jucques au Roy Edwarde le iiij^e."

Beneath the title is this note: "Liber Thomæ Corlæri presbiteri a magistro Leche pro Oswaldo in marcum. et sententijs allegabilibus habitus 12° martij a° d'ni 1543. juxta calculum anglicanum."

On the dexter side of a medallion containing a curious picture of Adam and Eve, is this short prologue:

"Consideryng the greet desire of many men that wold have knowlege of olde cronicles of kynges that afore tyme regned in thys londe, and of har succession; I have put my laboure to bryng ham in to thys litel werke: begynnyng at Adam oure first fadir, lineally descendyng by Noe and hys son Japhet, and so downe to Brute the first kyng in thys londe, and fro hym to Edwarde the fourth after the conquest." f. 2.

The text on the other side begins, *Adam was made in Damascene feeld and put in to paradise.*

## XXIV.

A small volume, neatly written in the middle of the XIIIth century, on 76 leaves of parchment.

1 Historia ab excidio Trojæ usque ad mortem Cadwalladri; capitulis 44. Cui præmittuntur "Nomina nobilium virorum hujus sequentis operis, ad facilius inveniendum quod quieris." (sic.) Inc. *Eneas cum Ascanio filio.* f. 3.



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2 "Conquestus Anglie. Incipiens a Ricardo duce Normann. dicti sine timore, qui fuit proavus Willielm. bastard." Est autem Historia Ducum Normanniæ "*Post quam Will's Longespee filius Rollonis primi ducis Normannorum per dolum traditus fuit morti a Flandrensibus,*" (his primis verbis) ad annum 1216. 19ᵇ.

A table of contents is prefixed to this work, which consists of 74 chapters, and is not contained in Duchesne's collection of Norman Historians.

3 "De quodam puero et puella de terra emergentibus." 38ᵇ.

Extracted from Ralph Coggeshale's Chronicle, (see MS. XI. f. 83ᶜ. whence this title has been taken,) who had learned this very strange tale from Richard de Calne, dwelling "in Sudfolke apud S'cam Mariam de Wlpectes," in the reign of Hen. II.

4 "Incipit Liber Sancti Augustini Episcopi de conflictu viciorum utque virtutum.—*Apostolica vox clamat.*" 39.

5 "Incipit liber de mirabilibus Anglie.—*Primum. Chenderhole.*" 49.

For the most part extracted from Coggeshale, see f. 26ᵈ.

6 "In Armenia minore est quoddam castellum quod dicitur Horcola," etc. (Vide Radulphum in Cod. XI. f. 27ᵇ.) 51.

7 "Tradicio patrum in Historiam de Adam et ejus posteris.—*Post peccatum Ade.*" 51ᵇ.

8 "De quodam homine silvestri in mari capto." 55ᵇ.

This title is also taken from Coggeshale; (see f. 83ᵇ.) the extract begins, "Temporibus Henrici Regis secundi cum Bartholomeus de Glanvilé."

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9 Vaticinia, Karolo magno in exstasi rapto, revelata.—"*In nomine domini summi regis regum ego Karolus.*" 56.

10 Quædam de beata virgine, et de incarnatione Jesu Christi.—"*De nostra domina sancta Maria.*" 57ᵇ.

11 De pane et vino in eucharistia. 59.

12 De inviolata virginitate Mariæ. 59ᵇ.

13 De paradiso et inferno; ac de præscientia divina. 60.

14 Fabula docens ne omittantur psalmi et orationes pro defunctis.—"*Ne interim dum vivimus.*" 60ᵇ.

15 Fabula de stolido quodam clerico, quem in morte salvum fecit virgo Maria, cui antiphonam quoquo mane canere solitus fuerat. 61.

16 Alia similis argumenti.—"*Sicut ego qui hec scribo audivi.*" 62.

17 "Libellus de infancia salvatoris.—*In diebus illis: erat vir.*" 63ᵇ.

This tract is attributed to St. Jerome, and has two epistles with his name prefixed to it; these are preceded by a kind of preface, beginning *Anna et Emeria sorores fuerunt*, 62ᵇ.

The title is taken from a short list of the contents (Sæc. XV.) on f. 1, where it is followed by another "Tractatus de spiritu Gwydonis qui fuit de civitate Alesti," which, however, is not contained in the volume: copies of it are in the Cottonian MSS. Vespas. A. VI, f. 138, and Vespas. E. I, f. 219ᵇ. As it was written after 1323, it could not have been copied by the original writer of this volume, yet a copy made subsequently may probably have been once bound with it.



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18 Emplastrum ad nervos lesos probatissimum." 76.

## XXV.

The MSS. marked XXV, XXVIII, XXIX, XLVI, are bound together in one small quarto volume. This first consists of 31 leaves of parchment and paper, in five fasciculi of different sizes; written by a monk of Durham in the middle of the XIVth century.

1 De Episcopis Lindisfarnensibus et Dunelmensibus usque ad mortem Ricardi de Byri, A. 1345; et inde ad inthronizationem Johannis de Fordun, A. 1381. f. 1.

2 Vita Sancti Cuthberti.—"*Cuthbertus dicitur. q. cunctis verba virtus.*" f. 6.

Lord Howard has remarked, that the end of this tract is to be found at the last page of the MS.

3 Excerpta ex legendis Sanctorum, "De Sancto Pasore," etc. f. 16.

4 "Incipit prologus in vitam beati martiris Thome Cantuar. archiepiscopi, secundum magistrum Johannem de Salisbyrie, ipsius martyris clericum et exilii comitem, ac tribulationis per omnia participem; postea episcopum Carnotensem.—*Sacrosanctam ecclesiam.*" f. 18$^{b}$.

5 Fragments and verses relating to St. Thomas Beket. f. 31.

One of these is the distich in Brereton church window, which is engraved in the Archæologia, Vol. IX. plate 23. See also Vol. XIII. p. 405.

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## XXVI.

A small and neat quarto volume, written in the XVth century, on 65 leaves of parchment: formerly belonging to John Writhe and his son Thomas Wriothesley, Garter Kings of Arms, and containing several of their autographs.

1 The Statutes of the Order of the Garter, as first ordained by Edward III. f. 1.

2 A tract on the Duty of Heralds, and the ordering of Tournaments.—"*Selon les dis des phillosofes.*" 11ᵇ.

3 "Cy commence la maniere de faire chevalers, selon la coustume d'Angleterre en temps de paix et de bain.—*Quant ung escuier.*" 28ᵇ.

4 Thirteen Letters under fanciful names, addressed "A Tresexcellente et tresnoble princesse dame Blanche fille a trespuissant prince le Roy d'Albion." 33.

5 "Eneas de Heraldis," translated into English; beg. "Eneas by goddis grace Bisshop of Senen. to Lord Johan Enderbacho the Kyngis Secretary and best beloved brothir mony salutacion sendith." 41.

This very curious tract being in a hand unlike the rest of the book, was written perhaps by Writhe. The following pieces are by another ancient hand.

6 "Cy ensuit la determinacion des debatz entre les roys darmes et sergeantz darmes.—*Nous Thomas de Lancastre.*" f. 52.

"Donne au siege Royall de mons^r le Roy, devant la ville de Caen, en sa Duche de Normendye, le tiers jour de Septembre."

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7 "Traictie fait par entre—mons^r de Scales mareschal, et mess^e Jehan Fastolf chevaill'r—et mess^e Jehan Montgomery ch'r, commis et depputez par le Roy—a reduire en son obeissance le Conte du Maine, dune part; Et les cappitaines, hommes darmes, et de tant estans en la tour et forteresse de Sille le guill'e, dautre part."—1 Oct. 1424. 55.

8 The Royal Commission granted to them in that behalf; "Donne a Rouen," 25 Aug. 1424. 56^b.

9 Sir John Fastolf's letter, reinstating Laurens de Feugiers into the office of his pursuivant at arms, by the name of *Secret*. "Donne au siege devant Laigni sur Maine," 28 June, 1432. 57^b.

10 Commission of John Duke of Bedford to Sir John Fastolf to reduce the Duchy of Anjou and County of Maine, constituting him Governor thereof; "Donne a Paris," 11 March, 1424:—Recited by attestation of two notaries, 29 May, 1426. 59.

## XXVII.

A tall octavo volume in wooden covers, consisting of 130 parchment leaves; which appears to have been written at the beginning of the XIVth century.

An excellent copy of the large metrical Romance of Guy Earl of Warwick; beginning,

Pus le tens ke deu fu ne
Estably fu la cristente
Muld des aventures savenuz
Ke a touz hommes ne sunt pas suz.

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At the end, after a recapitulation of the contents, in couplets of the same metre, follows this title:

"Explicit Ritmus Guidonis de Warewyk
Et Reynbroun filii sui."

The rest of f. 130 is occupied by two fragments of poetry confusedly written by a hand nearly as old as the MS., which begin *A levedy ad my love leyt*, and *As i stod on a day me self under a tre. I met in a morneing. A may in a medewe.* The language is as obscure as it is curious; the handwriting is probably that of an ancient possessor, whose name occurs at the back of the fly leaf,—

"Joh'ns de Haukeham Rector eccl'ie de Flet.—pr. ij$^{s}$ iiij$^{d}$."

Another complete copy is preserved in the library of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, MS. 50, n° 6. in Nasmith's catalogue. The coeval copy (though not so finely written as the present) contained in the Harleian MS. 3775, (n° 2,) is imperfect, and furnished the specimens at the end of Mr. Nicolas's edition of the poem on the Siege of Carlaverok in 1301. (See N° LXII. of this collection.)

The hypothesis stated by the editor in the preface, as suggested by a learned friend, that the author was Walter of Exeter, was founded on a supposed allusion to this Romance, in the words,

"De Warwik le Count Guy
Coment ken ma rime de Guy," p. 18,

and on the authority of Bale, who ascribes to him the romantic history of Guy Earl of Warwick. The correspondence upon this point of literary history, with "A Clerk of Oxenforde" may be read in the Gentleman's Magazine, vol. xcviii. p. 493. & vol. xcix. p. 25.

## XXVIII.

A small quarto, containing 24 leaves of parchment; bound with No. XXV.

1 Historia fundationis Prioratus de Merton in Com. Surriæ, per Gilbertum Vicecomitem; de cujus vita et Roberti primarii Prioris, præcipue agitur.—"*Noverint tam presentes.*" f. 1.

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2 Carmen seu Epitaphium super eundem Gilbertum fundatorem.—"*Quem tumulo claudi spectas: quisnam fuit audi.*" 14.

3 "Epistola venerabilis Gervasii de obitu proconsulis Gilberti.—*Reverendissimo fratri meo Theodorico.*" 14$^{b}$.

4 De quodam fratre venerabili, cui apparuit Gilbertus ille in somnio. 18$^{b}$.

5 "Rentale Manerii Prioris de Merton de Mulseye, renovato vj$^{to}$ die mensis Junii, Anno regni Ricardi ij$^{di}$ post conq. xiiij. per sacramentum Willielmi Therye, Tho. Durant, Johannis Reynald, Henr. Brugeman, et Ricardi Stakforde." 19$^{b}$.

This is imperfect, and written in the same hand as the rest of the book: the catchwords "Et inveniet" are not redeemed. Tanner has spoken of this MS. as a mere fragment.

## XXIX.

A small book written at different times in the XVth century, upon 63 leaves, chiefly of paper: bound with No. XXV. The contents are of a very miscellaneous description.

1 A few unimportant Latin verses, are at ff. 1, 1$^{b}$, 3, 3$^{b}$, 4, 5$^{b}$, 56$^{b}$.

2 A medicine "for the dropessy." f. 1.

3 Some Latin extracts relative to Edward the Confessor and Malcolm king of Scotland, are at 1$^{b}$, and at 5$^{b}$.

4 "Tractatus de arte legendi leges et jura." f. 2.

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5 A note that K. Edward the Elder repaired Norwich, and of the antiquity of other cities in England; with some trifling scraps; in Latin. f. 3b.

6 Medicines—"For a Marmoll" (or mormal) f. 6,—"Knurres or knobbis," f. 7b,—"Contra rubedinem faciei que videtur quasi lepra," f. 8.

7 "Hic Incipiunt virtutes betonie." f. 8b.

8 Chronological notes, beginning with the verse, *Te quicumque reges*, etc. f. 10.

Part of the greater tablet formerly hanging in St. Paul's cathedral, published from the Harl. MS. 565, in the Illustrations to the old English "Chronicle of London," (1827, 4to,) p. 177.

9 "Manus meditationis." f. 11.

This title was given by Lord Howard to a figure of an open hand with religious sentences in Latin written in sundry places.

10 "Regnacio Regum," sexdecim versibus: "*Anglis conquestor Will's hic est tibi testor.*" f. 11b.

11 A little table of moral remedies against the seven deadly sins, in Latin. 11b.

12 A brief Chronicle, beginning with Nimrod, and ending with Edw. III. and Hen. IV. *Iste Nemroth erat gigas. x. cubitorum.* f. 12.

The Polychronicon is often cited in this curious tract. At f. 21 is inserted "Prophetia Regis Edwardi dum ageret in extremis, sibi divinitus revelata."

13 Proceedings on the Deposition of king Richard the Second, with this title, "De Rege Ric. filio E. principis filij R. E. tercij patris Johannis Ducis Lancastr. fratris E. principis."

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—"*Memorandum quod die Lune in festo sancti Michaelis.*" f. 24ᵇ.

This article is a copy of the Roll of Parliament, which has been printed in Twysden's Decem Scriptores, col. 2744—61; and is in Vol. III. of the Rotuli Parl. p. 416—424.

It contains these documents,—

1 The public act or instrument of the King's resignation. *In Dei nomine Amen. Ego Ric. Dei gratia.* 25.

2 "Duke of Lancater his clame to the crowne of Ingland." 34ᵇ.

3 "Les paroles q' Wyllyam Thyrnyng parla a monsʳ Richard nadgairs Roi Dengleterre a le Toure de Loundres in sa chambre la Meskerdy proschein apres le Fest de Michell larchangell sensuent." (In English.) 36ᵇ.

14 A short tract on the pains of hell.—"*Dies Dominicus est dies electus in quo gaudent angeli.*" f. 38.

15 "In nomine Christi incipit liber Metodij episcopi ecclesie Paterenis et martiris Christi, quem de ebreo et greco sermone in latinum transferre curavit, de principio seculi et inter regna gencium et finem seculorum, quem illustris Jeronimus in opusculis suis collaudavit.—*Sciendum est vobis fratres.*" f. 41.

16 An epistle of "Joh'es Jhebesanus ejusdem loci Magister," foretelling a conjunction of all the planets in the year 1463, and many dreadful calamities thereupon to ensue."—*Sicut victori in estu laboranti.*" f. 45ᵇ.

17 "This is the copy of the letter of kyng Edward the [first] sent to the pope N. in the ghere of our lorde Mˡ iijᶜ & j."—"*Sanctissimo in Christo N. divina etc.*" (Imperfect.) f. 46.

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18 Historical notes (in Latin) chiefly of the days of the Coronations and Deaths of the Kings from Will. I. to Henry IV. f. 49.

19 "M^d nota. Dominus dixit ad Samuelem Hoc erit jus regis qui" etc. (è libro Regum I, cap. viii.) f. 53^b.

20 "Bellum de Agencowrt.—*Lez prisoners q' furent prys par n're s^r le Roy Henry le quint,*" etc. f. 54.

21 An account (in Latin) of the creation of three Knights of the Bath at Lambeth in 1416. ibid.

22 The writ issued to the sheriffs for mustering soldiers at South-hampton: tested at Westm. 13 June, 4 Hen. V. ibid.

23 A note of the re-capture of "Kaan" 5 Hen. V. ibid.

24 Letter of Henry the Fifth, "principi Karolo consanguineo adversario nostro de Franc." 13 Aug. 1417. f. 55.

25 The answer to the foregoing, "Dat. apud Parisios ultimo die Augusti," 1417. f. 55^b.

26 Historical notes in Latin, of the 7^th year of Henry V. f. 55^b. 56.

27 Expenses of a dinner. f. 56^b.

28 "Ordinacio Arrayamenti Civitatis de Roan in Normannia." f. 57.

29 "Here bygynnith the letter of the turke sent vnto the pope Pius.—*Babdisdorus affinis deorum.*" f. 58.

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30 "Sequitur copia responcionis domini prefati nostri pape ad prescriptum Theucrum.—*Pius servus servorum Dei.*" (A.D. 1462.) f. 59ᵇ.

31 "Quindecim signa ante diem judicij.—*Ieronimus in annalibus Hebreorum invenit signa.*" f. 61ᵇ.

32 "Hic incipit prophetia beate Hildegaris de mendicantibus" etc.—*Insurgent gentes qui comedent populi peccata.*" f. 62.

Vide Math. Flacii Catalogum Testium Veritatis, Bas. 1556, 8°. p. 650–5.

33 "These ben the namys of that kyng that schal wynne the holy cros vnto cristen men hondis, after dyuers proph'is.—*Seynt Thomas of Caunterberi callith him the verginal kyng.*" f. 62ᵇ.

34 "Ista refert Henricus Huntyndon in li° 6° Cronice sue." f. 63.

35 De ortu religionum. ibid.

## XXX.

A valuable and most curious MS. beautifully written upon vellum in a large octavo size, towards the end of the XIIIth and beginning of the XIVth century. It may be entitled

Opera et Collectanea JOHANNIS DE EVERISDEN, monachi et Celerarii Abbatiæ S. Edmundi, circa An. 1300.

The first ten and last nine leaves of this volume afford a curious example of the *Codices Rescripti*, the parchment having been taken from older books, erased, and written anew. Ff. 1 and 4, are part of a fine MS. of the XIIIth century, on the last page of which may be read a copy of

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an entire bull of absolution, entitled "Clemens pp. G. Claremonten. ep'o," besides fragments of other letters and documents.—Ff. 2 and 3, seem to be part of a breviary with musical notes, of the XIth or XIIth century; some of which is written in capital letters alternately green and red.—The parchment of the next six leaves being very stout, and therefore more capable of erasure, it is only by the preservation of one entire line along the inner margin of f. 9, it can be learned that they were once part of a Codex of Virgil written in a set Saxon hand of the IXth century: this line is the 708th of the fifth book of the Æneid,

ırq' hıȝ aenean: ȝolaƀuȝ uocıb; ınȝıt.

The text was accompanied by an interlinear gloss, the word *sequamur* at the end of the next line being explained ".j. consentiamus." A few fragments of words only are elsewhere discoverable.

The following is an enumeration of the contents of those leaves.

1. "De S'co Benedicto." (3 versus.) f. 1.
2. "In quadam cortina." (22 vv. de S. Edmundo.)
3. Sixteen specimens of a kind of secret or short writing, by the varied arrangement of 5 or 6 points.—*Congregatio sive populus.*
4. *Nos aper auditu precellit,* distichon.
5. *Quatuor ex puris,* (3 vv.)
6. *Dives divicias,* distichon. 2ᵇ.
7. "Egypciorum Reges post octavam decimam dinastiam." 3.
8. "Persarum Reges."
9. "Assiriorum Reges. post Belum quem quidam Saturnum existimant." 3ᵇ.
10. "Reges Medorum."
11. A collection of about a hundred verses on scriptural subjects, closely written.—*Urbs Adam Salomon. Job languens. virga prophete.* 4.
12. The last six on this page are headed "Apud Spalding."—*Decubat in cunis cui totus flectitur orbis.*
13. "Pronosticacio Lombardorum. Versus a Roma directi."—*Gallorum levitas Germanos justificabit.* (11 vv.) 4ᵇ. "Versus extracti de prophetia aquile," is the title prefixed to a copy in Cleop. C. IV. f. 79. Vide Mat. Flaccii Catal. Testium Veritatis, p. 114.

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14. "Pronosticacio Merlini.—*Sub gallo.*"

15. "Prophetia Merlini Silvestris de Lince.—*Catulus lincis.*"

16. "Quedam metrice excerpta de prophecia Merlini Silvestris.—*Regnum Scottorum fuit inter cetera regna.*" (38 vv.) f. 5.

17. Memoranda of four inscriptions to be copied, as it seems.—*Me*[d] *de agno submerso*, etc. 5[b].

18. "Apud Lincoln. in hospicio decani [*Archidiac.* supra.] Ad introitum cum lavatorio." (distichon) *Tu manus.*

19. "Pincerna." (4 vv.)

20. "Dispensator." (4 vv.)

21. "Puer portator panis." (distichon.)

22. "De Rege Ricardo." (4 vv.) *R. rex Anglorum.*

23. "Pars statutorum d'ni Regis Angl. in Wallia.—*Providemus et discernendo statuimus quod Justic. n'r Snowdon.*" 6. (Vide Chronicon, ad f. 170[b].)

24. "Isti versus continentur circa corn' in Abbacia s'ci Petri de burgo." (34 disticha.) *Non ardens ardere rubus.* 6[b]—7.

25. A poem in 26 tetrastichs, lamenting the decline and abuses of monkish discipline.

> "Noctis crepusculo brumali tempore
> Pausans in lectulo mens ausa temere
> Non sinit oculum soporem capere
> Sed rebus variis cepit intendere." 7[b].

Walter Mapes, Archdeacon of Oxford in the reign of Henry II. highly celebrated for his satirical poems against the ecclesiastical abuses of his age, was a great favourite with Bale, and by him considered to have been the author of this and many similar poems. The catalogue of them given by Bale has been (as usual) copied by all succeeding literary historians, both British and foreign, though not one of them seems to have *known* that the Cottonian MS. Titus A. xx, which they quote as a distinct authority, had been Bale's own property, and had supplied his information. The present article is at f. 160–1 of that MS. with marginal notes in Bale's hand-writing, and this title at the end, *Explicit de Monachis:* but in his work it is called *De malis monachorum.* Notices copied thence may be seen in Leyseri Hist. Poet. p. 785, Tanneri Bibl. p. 508; etc. The last named writer refers to a MS. in C.C.C. Library,

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Cambridge, "Misc. L." which is now marked 481; but no notice of the article can be traced in Nasmith's catalogue, though several pieces attributed to the same author are described there. It may be well to add, that the Cottonian copy is not so old and correct as the present, or as the one in Vesp. A. xviii. f. 168b—9; that Math. Flaccius speaks highly of Mapes in his valuable "Catalogus Testium Veritatis," (Basil. 1556, 8°.) and that although he published (in the same year) many of this author's poems, yet a complete collection of them accurately made from the best MSS. would be one of the most curious books that could be presented to the literary world.

26. "In vitreis in nova ecclesia beate Marie Eborum," versus 29.—*Peccatrix plorat, crucis inventrix ovat orat.* 8.

27. "De indulgenciis concessis rotunde capelle s'ci Edmundi in cimiterio monachorum ex parte aquilonali presbiterij, in qua corpus s'ci Edmundi requievit ante translacionem suam." Annis 1261, 1270–1–4. 8b.

28. A short account of the pulling down of the same chapel in 1275, and of the erection of a new one.

29. "Opposicio domine ad puerum.—*Domina. Que y demaundes tendre enfaunce?*" (Six questions and answers in French.) 9.

30. "In quodam dorsario in choro ex parte Abbatis.—*Lazarus ante fores jacet.*" (16 vv.)

31. Three technical verses, with old numerals.

32. "Carta Regis Henr. filii Regis Johannis de libertatibus Ecclesie Elyensis." Data "apud Walingf. iij° die Jul. a. r. n. xvij°." 9b. Printed in the new edition of the Monasticon, Vol. I. p. 485, from Vol. X. of Cole's MS. collections in the British Musæum.

33. Four distichs, of which the first verse is, *Manditur hic ih'c sed permanet integer esus.* 10.

34. "In chamino Westmon." (8 vv.) *Sum locus en mundus. Sum post altare secundus.*

35. "In fenestris Imaginis beate Marie apud S. Eadm." (7 vv.) *Hic miser afflictu.*

36. "Si vis potare crater ponatur in are
Gamma sit amotum ne polluat ungula potum."
10b.

37. "Qualiter et per quos electio Imperatoris debeat fieri."—Five verses, beginning *Maguntinensis:* to an equally old copy contained in Cleopatra C. vii, f. 12b. a

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prose explanation is prefixed. Habentur apud Schardium de Jurisd. Imper. 1566, fol. p. 236.

The sixteen leaves following are of different parchment, and were written by a different hand, except the three last pages.

38 "Incipiunt Gesta Britonum a Gilda sapiente composita." f. 11.

This title is often given in MSS. to the work of NENNIUS; the copies of which vary greatly; it may be well, therefore, to remark that the present does not contain his preface, but begins with the first chapter, *A Principio mundi usque ad Diluvium.* The margins abound with glosses and scholia. The excuse made by Nennius in ch. 65 of Gale's edition, (Scriptores, Vol. I. commonly called Vol. II. p. 115,) for not inserting the Saxon genealogy, is not here, nor the genealogy, but the list of British cities with which that edition ends, is followed by the tract or long chapter entitled in the margin "De mirabilibus Britanie," (*Primum Miraculum*, f. 19$^{b}$.) which Tanner has censured Gale for omitting: The last words are, *solus in finibus cosmi.*

39 Part of the first book of the History of Henry of Huntingdon.—"*Britannia igitur beatissima insularum.*" f. 21.

Bishop Bale has noted in the margin, "Alter tractatus Henrici Huntyngdunens." and at the end, "Cætera desunt," after these words, *advenientes sibi locum patrie fecerunt.* (f. 25.) This fragment contains a third part of the first book, pp. 297—301, line 12, of Savile's "Scriptores post Bedam," Francof. 1601, fol. It is the portion whence Robert of Gloucester borrowed the exordium of his metrical chronicle.

40 Tabular Genealogy of the Saxon Kings from Woden.—*Woden a quo—Wechta,* etc. f. 25$^{b}$.

41 "Hec est descriptio Hybernie secundum libros veteres terram describentes.—*Lagenia .i. Leinestere.*" f. 26.

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42 "Regna pristina Anglie et eorum Episcopatus." f. 27.

"Nomina Archiepiscoporum Cantuarie." 27b.
"Nomina Episcoporum Rofens. ecclesie." 28.
——————— London. ecclesie.
——————— Estangl. quorum prima sedes erat apud Dommoc. 28b.
——————— Sealesiens. ecclesie, que quondam ad Winton. spectabat parochiam. 29.
——— Presulum Doerceastr. ecclesie, cujus sedes modo est apud Winton.
——————— Wintoniens.
——————— Schireburn. ecclesie. 29b.
——————— Fontaniens. sive Wellens. ecclesie. 30.
——————— Cridiatunensis vel Doumaniens. sive Exon. ecclesie.
——————— Magefetensis sive Herefordensis ecclesie. 30b.
——————— Wicciorum sive Wigorniens.
——— Episcoporum Lichefeldensium.
——————— Leogerensium. 31.
——————— Lindiff. sive Dorkacestrensium, quorum sedes modo est apud Lincoln. 31.
——————— Elyensium.
——— Archiepiscoporum Eborum. 31b.
——— Episcoporum Lindisfarnens.
——————— Hagustaldensium." 32.

These lists of bishops seem to have been carefully compiled about 1270.

43 "Quibus terminis regna a regnis olim in Angl. distinguebantur." 32b.

"De Regibus Cantuariorum qui successive regnaverunt usque ad primum monarcham Egbrichtum." 33.
"De regno orientalium Anglorum." 33b.
——————— Saxonum." 34.
——— Merciorum."



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"De regibus Northanimbrorum Deirorum videlicet et Berviciorum." 34ᵇ.

"De regno Westsaxonum quod processu temporis omnia alia regna contrivit et sub uno recollegit Imperio." 35.

The succession of the West-Saxon Kings is brought down to Edward I. Then after two blank leaves, begins the text of the volume.

44 A table of Grammatical and Rhetorical figures, with short examples, and interlineary Latin equivalents for the Greek terms. f. 39.

It begins *Barbarismus. corruptus sermo.* which Bale has given for the initial words of article 46: the title to which "Concordantia divine histor." has been written with red pencil on this leaf instead of the next.

45 Three schemes of musical chords and symphonies.—*Ypodorius. Plaga prothi.* f. 39ᵇ.

46 "Incipiunt Capitula veteris et novi testamenti." f. 40.

A very curious analysis of the Scriptures, containing the initial, or most important words of each paragraph in the chapters; the numbers of which are marked with a red figure in the margin. Thus:

"Capitula Genesis.

[1] In principio creavit Deus celum et terram. Faciamus hominem.

2 Igitur perfecti sunt celi, etc. Fluvius. Ne comedas. Virago."

47 "Tituli hystorie ewangelice cum concordancia.—*De divinitate verbi.*" f. 70.

This is a Harmonical Index to the Gospels, combining all the canons of Eusebius in one table, which consists of four columns of numeral references to the Latin chapters, for the subjects in the chronological index in the parallel column.

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48 A Table of the Scripture Lessons for the Sundays and Festivals of the year.—*Dc^a. j^a. Scientes. Ro.* 13. f. 73^b.

49 "Hec Decretorum Concordia sacra sacrorum
Que confusa fuit. sub brevitate cluit."
f. 76.

This distich forms the title to an elaborate and minute analysis of the Decretals, beginning *Tractaturus Gracianus de iure canonico.*

50 "Incipiunt Regule Juris.—*Regula est que rem, que est, breviter enarrat.*" f. 88.

An excellent tract, consisting of sentences extracted from the old civilians, whose names are noted in the margin. In the Royal MS. 11 B. xv. written at Rochester early in the XIVth century, a commentary is subjoined to each sentence.

51 "Capitula libri Ethimologiarum Ysidori Yspalensis.—*De Gramatica et ejus partibus.*" f. 91.

52 "Legum medulla.—*Disce quid humanum jus divinumque vocatur.*" f. 92.

The above title, written in the MS. with red ochre, was probably copied from Bale: in the corner of the page is written, "Hos versus Balæus, pa. 410. adscribit Joanni Euerisdeno." In this metrical Analysis of the Decretals have been united two studies, for which Bale praises that monk, "Inter cætera nanque placida sui temporis, et sine omni tumultu exercitia, studiorum ardore succensus, *poeticen*, historiam, ac *juris scientiam*, præ omnibus coluit." Yet it is far from certain that he was the author, for a copy contained in the Lansdowne MS. 397, (f. 14,) written at Durham, in the reign of Edward II. differs considerably from the present; it is more diffuse, and is preceded by five verses, beginning *Si numeres caute ter mille capitula lector.* Moreover, in the second page of the present copy a space has been left for one word, "Excercent absit quasi . . . . crimine plenus," where the scribe seems to have observed a



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fault in the original copy. A different work, though on the same plan, is contained in the coeval Harleian MS. 3775, n. 3, entitled, "Versus sequentes sunt facti ad compilandam sententiam decreti. Et deserviunt per ordinem distinccionibus et questionibus causarum. ita quod primus: prime. secundus: secunde. et sic de aliis. ultimo in distinccionibus: finit versum m lxiij. et v. distinccionibus unus versus deservit.—*Dividit ac dicit: quid jus: distinccio prima.*"

53 "Pedes. tempora. exempla.—*Pirichius. 2. Fuga.*" f. 96ᵇ.

A table of prosodiacal feet; ending, "Sunt igitur equi. x. Dupli vero. 3. Triplex. unus. Secupli. 7. epitrita. 4."

54 A Chronicle in two parts, from the beginning of the world to the end of the fifth age, and from the Christian æra to the year 1335: with this procemium. "Fructuosum arbitror seriem temporum transactorum huic pagine inserere quo diligens lector cuncta mundi transacti tempora queat uno intuitu agnoscere. Intituletur igitur si placet lectori." f. 97.

This article, occupying the latter half of the volume, may with more certainty be considered the genuine composition of the author to whom Bale has ascribed many of the preceding tracts, with it: the following title is written in Bale's hand with red ink, "Joannes Eueresden Celerarius Buriensis, presens Chronicon edidit." Another title, "Series temporū," has been written with red ochre by another hand, in the space between the short preface given above, and the first lines of the work; these are much like the beginning of Radulphi de Diceto Ymagines Historiarum:

"Ab inicio Homo. Genuit. Vixit. Obiit: anno
*cxxx.* Adam *cxxx.* Dcccc.xxx. *Lamech: lvj°.*"

Trogus (or Justin), Orosius, and Eutropius, are continually cited in the margin, during the periods which those authors respectively embrace. The acrostick prophecy of the Sibyl is incorporated into the text, at f. 102ᵇ. The follow-

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ing distich is placed at the end of the former part of the chronicle, to denote the number of years contained in its period:

"Anni ducenti minus uno, milia quinque;
Precessere tue novitatis gaudia Xp'e." f. 113$^{b}$.

In the latter part the years *secundum evangelium* are marked on the left hand margin, and on the other, *secundum Dionisium:* This computation is 22 years later or less in the number, than the other, and is the same now used.

Besides marginal additions, many curious passages are inserted below the pages, which serve as illustrations to the text, and are in the same handwriting as the verses at the beginning of the volume. Thus:

De Tito Imp. ex Eutropio. f. 115.

"De decretali epistola Cornelij pape." 118.

"Genealogia Guortegerni Regis britonum." 121$^{b}$.

"Juxta cronicam Malmesbir. Ita continuatur Genealogia Regum Angl." 128$^{b}$—9.

Versus memoriales de successione Abbatum S. Edmundi, et Regum Angliæ; f. 131$^{b}$—2. (vide etiam f. 204.)

"Nomina episcoporum estanglie," (etc.) 132$^{b}$.

The events of the latter half of the thirteenth century, as recorded in this work, are deserving of attention; they were contemporary with the compiler, who has noted under the year 1255, (f. 148$^{b}$,) "Hic attonsus fui." Great part of the reign of Edw. I. appears to have been written at intervals as the events happened. The leaves 191—204 are written with paler ink; they contain the years 1296 to 1300, with short notes only of 1313, 1326, 1329, 1330, 1334, 1325, (1335?) besides a note, by a later hand, of the storm in 1382. A contemporary hand made a note of a similar occurrence in 1352 at 190$^{b}$.

Under the year 1300 is given an account of the right of the Abbey to the manor of Werketon, beginning thus: "Anno regni regis Edwardi quarti ["primi" *in marg.*] xx. octavo dominus Joh. de Euerisden. tunc celerarius sancti Edmundi, validam expedicionem fecit in partibus Norhamton. apud manerium de Werketon de pastura que dicitur bitton ris sicut in registro cantoris continetur."

Ff. 204$^{b}$—207 are blank, except some ancient writing in pencil on the last page. After these follow nine leaves,

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containing collections similar to those at the beginning of the volume, and written by the same hand.

55 Viginti versus "In tabulis circa ymaginem beate Marie apud sanctum Eadm." f. 208.

"De clerico egroto.—De Assumpcione beate Marie.—De salutacione angelica.—De salutacione Elizabeth.—De magis.—De Innocentibus.—De Purificacione.—De morte Herodis.—De Theophilo.—De Judeo et ejus filio."

56 Decem "Versus Rome apud sancta sanctorum.—*Iste locus celebris.*"

57 "Ad reliquias," sex versus. *Mente ruit tota.*

58 Diploma Regis Johannis, datum "Londoniar. iij°. die Octobr. anno d'ni M. cc°. xiij°." quod *aurea bulla* fuit signatum. f. 208ᵇ.

The text of this copy is entire, not divided as in the *Fœdera*, (new edition,) vol. i. p. 115, where it is said to have been taken from the Cottonian MS. Nero, C. II, *n.* (read *f.*) 47; which book is a splendid compilation of documents selected from the Registers of the Court of Rome by Nicholas Cardinal of Arragon. This famous document, whereby John yielded his sovereignty to Pope Innocent III. contains the form of his oath of fealty; it is printed in Wilkins (Concil. vol. i. p. 541,) from Abp. Islip's register, as recited in a bull of the same pontiff. The present copy is nearly a century older than either of those MSS. The document in Claud. D. II, f. 110, though entitled in that MS. *aurea bulla*, is wholly different.

59 De b. virgine, 3 vv. *Mater que genuit.*

60 "In fenestris circa capellam sancti Johannis Ewangeliste," 32 versus.

"Ad ostium criptarum.—De sancto Nicholao ibid.—De sancto Martino."

61 "In capella nigre hostil." pentasticha duo.

This article is rendered imperfect by the corner of the leaf having been torn off. Six verses on the other side are quite lost.

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62 "Subscripti [176] versus continentur per loca in picturis et in vitreis in ecclesia sancti Eadmundi." f. 209ᵇ.

"Ad altare beate Marie in primo circulo.—In secundo. [etc.]—In octavo.—Circa magestatem.—In pariete de monacho submerso.—Ibidem de filio iudei.—In tabula ante altare.—In eadem tabula circa magestatem.—Ad nigram crucem in tabula super altare in primo circulo.—In secundo. —In secundo. [f. 210]—In tercio.—In tabula ante altare. —In testudine in primo circulo. [etc.]—In quarto.—In fenestra ibid.—In vitreis ad altare sancti Nicholai et per navem ecclesie a parte australi.—In panno ante crucem in choro. [f. 211]—In trabe ultra parvum altare.—In sede abbatis.—In tabula ante magnum candelabrum.—In magno candelabro."

63 Tria disticha, "Apud Fluxton.—Apud Frameningham. [epitaphium Isabellæ comitissæ.] —Problema. *Tollat muta pedem.*" f. 211.

64 "In vitreis ad antiquam capellam beate virginis," octo versus. *Angelicum Severine.* f. 211ᵇ.

65 "In vitreis ad lavatorium," 16 vv. *Pellens thetra soli. sed vero servio soli.*

66 "Apud novum templum Londoniarum," tetrastichon. *Abbas Abbatum.*

67 "Apud Mendham," distichon. *Prefuit hic.*

68 "In campana que dicitur Hugonis," distichon. *Martiris Eadmundi.*

69 "In magna campana," tetrastichon. *Ecclesie splendor.*

70 "In choro et circa," versus 81, de patriarchis ab Adamo ad Josephum. *Ne regnet fastus de limo fit prothoplastus.* Cum 14 aliis diversi argumenti. 211ᵇ—2ᵇ.

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71 "In dorsario ultra ostium reliquiarum," 17 vv. *Angelus infit ave gravidatur virgo suave.* 212c.

72 "In dorsario illi proximo," 9 vv. *Hic peperit anus.*

73 "In dorsario Ezechielis," distichon. *Magestate.*

74 "Extenta omnium bonorum nostrorum temporalium et spiritualium secundum verum valorem et secundum conscientias obedienciariorum tunc custodiencium bona temporalia et spiritualia ubicunque in Anglia, prout quidem Celerarius, Sacrista, Camerarius et duo alii ex parte Conventus juraverunt in conscientias suas et in conscientias tocius conventus, in presentia Magistri Raymundi nuntii d'ni pape in Angl. et fratris J. de Derlingtone de ordine predicatorum collectorum decime d'no Gregorio pape per concilium Lugdun. in subsidium terre sancte concesse per .vi. annos. Anno d'ni. M°. cc°. lxxiij°." f. 213.

Two other taxations, in the years 1268 and 1291, are inserted in the text of the Chronicle, f. 155b—6b and 180b—4b supra.

75 The dimensions of the halls of Westminster, York, Newcastle, and Durham; and of the cloisters of Durham and St. Edmund's Bury. *Longitudo aule.* f. 214.

76 Six short notes; the first three relate to,

The number of churches (1563) etc. in the diocese of Norwich.
The yearly quantity of grain consumed at Bury.
The birth of John son of Henry and Joan de Hastinges, 47 Hen. III.

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77 Pentastichon, *Conceptus verbo.* f. 214ᵇ.

78 "Nomina quarumdam aquarum decurrentium per quasdam villas famosas in partibus borealibus.—*Twede currit.*"

## XXXI.

This octavo MS. on parchment, now consists of 186 leaves, the two first leaves and the last sheet being lost, and two leaves cut out between 53 and 54. The latter part has been much injured by the damp. It is fairly written in a Romance hand of the early part of the reign of Edward the Third: and so far as it goes, is an excellent copy of

Les Cronikes de tout Engleterre; or the old BRUTE Chronicle, with a metrical proëm. It begins, (f. 6,) *En la noble Cite de Troie ily aveit un fort chivaler et puissaunt et de graunt poer qe aveit a noun Eneas:* and ends abruptly with the beheading of the Earl of Kent in 1330, *cest assaver le lundi en la veill de seint Cuthbert. Et mesme le jour*". . . .

It has been often observed that the old English prose chronicle, commonly called *Brute of Englond*, (and sometimes improperly, *Caxton's Chronicle*, from his having printed it with a continuation,) is very common in MS.; but that few copies are found to be alike. The latter remark is applicable only to the MSS. of the French original, which are less numerous; six only have been found in the British Museum for the illustration of this imperfect copy. The discovery made in this research, that there are really two distinct texts of the chronicle, (if indeed they may be called the same work,) may probably account for some of the discrepancies among the English MSS. as being versions of the one text or the other.

The two Royal MSS. 20 A. III. and 19 C. IX, with the Cottonian Cleop. D. III, approach nearest to the ordinary English text, as it is found in N° VIII. of this collection. The first was probably written in 1342, and has this rubric,

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*Ci poet hom oir Coment Engleterre fust primes nome Albion et par qi la terre receust cel nome:* it is divided into 231 chapters, each having a rubric, and the last page is mutilated. The chapters of the second are not numbered, but an index of their rubrics is prefixed; it is a fine MS. of the fifteenth century, entitled *Cy commencent les croniquez dangleterre. et premierement comment elle eut nom albe et dont lui vint ce nom.* The third, of the same age, contains 223 chapters, the last of which is longer than that of the foregoing MS. and extends to 1332. The first rubric in this MS. (which has autographs of William Jenyns, Lancaster herald temp. Henry VIII.) is *Coment Engleterre fust nosmee Albion et par quele noun.*

All these begin *En la noble terre* [*citee* in the first] *de Sirie*, with the story of Dioclesian's 33 daughters, which in the present MS. is thrown into rhyme more appropriate to such a fable; the text beginning with the story of Eneas in the same words as their second chapter. In this respect it agrees with the Harleian MS. 200, (at least half a century later,) in which the proem, with its rubric, begins thus: *Icy comencent les Cronikes de tout Engleterre.*

" Cy poot homme savoir [coment *Cleop. D. vii.*]
Quaunt et de quele gent
Grauntz geauntz vindrent
Qi engleterre primes tindrent
Qe lors fuit nome Albion
Et qe primer myst le noun."

The present MS. probably had a title on the first leaf, which is lost: neither rubric nor title now exist: the first line is imperfect, because the metre is written continuously like prose in all the copies:

[Meaz] " chescun a son poer
Se vout defendre par iurer
Mais riens ne vaut le countredire
Car le Roys ount si graunt ire
Ke touz les vont mettre a mort
Pur leur malice et leur tort."

Though long, this proem is not without some tolerable poetry: the concluding half-page contains a curious commendation of the story:

" Di vous ai la verite
Come la *gest* nous ad counte

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Qant et coment cil vindrent
Ke Engleterre primes tindrent
Et de queu non estoit nome
Et de qi lert done
Et combien la terre tindrent
Atant qe les Brutons vindrent
Et le primer noun ousterent
Et Bretaigne la nomerent
Tut est bon a remembrer
Riens grevera de saver
Les estiles et les escriptures
Des auncienes aventures
De ih'u crist seit beneit
Ken escripture les mettreit." (f. 5b.)

Instead of this concluding passage the Harl. MS. has the following prose paragraph and rubric. "Ore avetz oy coment Engleterre fust nome primes Albion. et la resoun purquei. Et ore escutez coment ele fust puis nome Bretayne si en orrez pleinement. Le Bruyt de totes lez batailles et aventures qount este en Engleterre du temps de chescune Roy tantqe a temps le Roi Edward de Wyndesore le tierce Edward apres la conqueste. Et ascune partie de soun temps.—*En ceste livre sount contenuz toutz lez batailles et lez tresouns qount estee en Brutayne et en Engleterre.*"

The Cottonian MS. Domitian A. x. was written for the Rochester library, about the same time as the present MS.; and though agreeing with it in other respects, has only a short Latin preface instead of the French poetry, (beginning *De potentissimi regis grecie nullius sub dominio subditi progenie,*) and this title, "Coment brut vint primes en Engleterre et conquist la terre ci poet home oir et saver."

The first half of the copy in Cleopatra D. vii, (f. 80—139,) was perhaps written earlier than the other copies, and begins with a title interwoven with the text: "Celi qe vodra saver coment Brut vint primes en Engletere et conquist la terre: ci pot il oir et saver. *En la noble cite. de graunt Troie,*" (etc.) It does not appear to have been finished until nearly a century afterwards, when it was completed by the addition of the history continued from the catchwords "roi engendra," near the beginning of Hen. I. (f. 140—178b,) together with a separate chapter



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containing a curious narrative of the expedition of Edw. III. from La Hogue to Calais in 1346, and two chapters from some French chronicle about Cadwaladre. The metrical proem and the Latin preface were then prefixed, and the two leaves 119—120, supplied. The Cottonian catalogues give a very imperfect account of this curious MS., and contain no notice of Chaucer's four balades at f. 188[b]—9.

Of these four MSS. only the Harleian has rubrics prefixed to the paragraphs or chapters, which Sir Simonds D'ewes numbered to 103. It ends with the battle of Dunfermline in 1333, *Ceste desconfiture feust le Mescredy proschein devaunt la feste de seint Laurence*, being shorter by two or three pages than the two Cottonian copies, which end with the battle of Haddington in these words, *et pristerent tottes les bestes et biens dune chose et doutre qils troverent.*" It is probable that the work in its first form reached only to the end of the reign of Edward the First, which ends, *de qui alme dieu eit mercy amen*, with half a page vacant in the present MS. (f. 164[b].) The history of Edward II. containing 17 chapters, is closely connected with the following reign; which begins (f. 184,) *Ore regne nostre Seignur le Roi Edward le tiers puis le conqueste bien et noblement*, and forms the last chapter in the Harleian copy.

## XXXII.

"Catalogue de Chevaliers de l'ordre du Sainct Esprit."

## XXXIII.

A folio volume with a parchment cover, written in the reign of Henry VIII. upon 321 leaves of paper.

Accounts of Receivers of Crown Lands presented to the King's chief Auditors from the 7[th] to the 14[th] year of Henry VIII.; Surveys of various Manors and Lordships; Liveries of estates to the King's wards; with miscellaneous parti-

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culars respecting the revenues of the Crown; apparently collected by John Smyth, Remembrancer of the Exchequer in that reign.

At the beginning of the volume there is a list of the RECEIVERS whose ACCOUNTS are contained in it, thus entitled; f. 1b—4.

"Calendarium omnium Compotorum, per Edwardum Belknap militem et alios generales Supervisores, prætextu cujusdam Actus Parliamenti anno vjto H. viijvi inchoati et usque xijmum diem Novembris anno vijmo prorogati et tunc editi, auditorum et determinatorum, et in Scaccarium d'ni Regis pro Recordo inde remansurorum imperpetuum, liberatorum, videlicet ut infra in hoc libro," etc. A calendar of the Estates to which the accounts relate will be found at f. 200b.

The Statute here referred to is the 7 Hen. VIII. c. 7, appointing certain persons to be called "the Kinges chief Auditours," to examine and acquit the Receivers who had in the time of Hen. VII. accounted to the King or his deputies, and were liable to second payment in the Exchequer. By the renewal of this act, 14 and 15 Hen. 8, c. 15, these officers were denominated "the Generall Surveyours of the Kynges Londes." The accounts contained in this volume chiefly relate to the 11th and 12th years, and occupy ff. 5—167. On some of the pages which had been originally left blank, were afterwards written the following articles:

1. Indenture between William, prior of Coventry, and the Abbot "s'ci Petri de Castellione de Conchys," compounding for tithes in Herdewyk, 1262. f. 1.

2. "Inferius declaratur de quibus computatum fuit ad Scaccarium d'ni Regis temporibus Regis E. tercij, Ric'i secundi, H. iiijti. H. quinti et H. vjti. ac postea: Et de quibus nunc: Necnon de Assignamentis factis de Revenc'-que computantur ib'm modernis temporibus." f. 56—58b.

3. Table of fees taken on certain occasions by the Lord Chamberlain, the Master of the Rolls, and the Clerk of the petty bag. f. 127.

4. "Summa omnium Soluc' et Expens' in Hospitio nuper Regis Henrici vijmi ab ultimo die Septembr. anno quinto dicti nuper Regis et de diversis alijs annis ut sequitur." f. 128b.

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5. The Statute regulating the payments of the expenses of the King's Household, "In Memorandis Scaccarij de anno primo Regis H. viij^vi Rotulo primo videlicet inter Recorda de Termino Pasche." f. 132—6.

6. Certificate to the Barons of the Exchequer, of the appointment of John Shurley esquire to be Treasurer of the King's household. f. 137—8.

7. Attestation of two deeds by a notary, which are not recited, 8 Hen. 8. f. 168.

8. Writ commanding the Sheriff of Cambridgeshire to deliver the manors of Melrethe Stepilmordon and Gildemordon, to Sir Will. Capell, for satisfaction of the debts of Sir Adrian Fortescue and John Fortescue, esq. 27 Oct. 4 Hen. 8. Ibid.

9. Part of a pleading in a suit respecting a heriot taken by John Welles, parson of Litelmore. f. 169.

10. John Halys escheator of Kent to the sheriff, for assembling a grand jury at Rochester on S. Matthew's day. 9 Hen. 8. f. 170b.

The SURVEYS, Extents, and Terriers, relate to the ESTATES of the following persons.

Edward, late Duke of Buckingham, by inquest 13 Hen. 8. f. 171. See also f. 199b—200.
Edw. son and heir of Sir Rob. Wylloughby, late lord Broke, 13 H. 8. f. 176.
Edward late Earl of Salisbury. f. 177.
William late Visc. Beaumont. f. 179.
Sir Nich. Wadham. f. 181.
Will. Aylove gent. f. 182.
Sir Rich. Wenesforde. f. 183.
Sir Adrian Fortescu. f. 184.
Ann Countess of March, mother of Richard Duke of York, father of Edw. IV. (Memor. Scac. 7 Hen. 8.) f. 185.
Sir Geoffrey Gatys, 13 Hen. 8. f. 191.
Robert Willoughby, late Lord Broke. f. 191.
Katherine Princess of Wales, her jointure, 1 Hen. 8. f. 192.
Sir John Cutte, subtreas. of the Exch. f. 196b.
Humf. Stafford, esq. 197b.
Sir E. Poynynges. f. 198.
Roger Wynter. f. 199b.
Henry Earl of Northumberland. f. 201.
John, late Earl of Oxford. f. 205.

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John Nauseclos. f. 216[b].
Richard, late Earl of Kent. f. 225.
Sir Rob. Southwell, 5 Hen. 8. f. 228.

The following articles occur among the preceding Surveys:

1. Account of Thomas Cokk, receiver of the customs in Sandwich, 12 Hen. 8. f. 198[b].

2. Of John Weste, collector of the subsidy of ulnage in Northamptonsh. and Rutland, 10 Hen. 8. f. 199.

3. Petition "To the Kyng our Soveraigne Lord," by John Aleyn knight, alderman of London, for payment of the remainder of a large debt owing by the late monastery of Wynchcombe. f. 211.

4. Of Will. Cope, cofferer of the King's household, 15—18 Hen. 8. f. 213—4.

5. Writ to search the *pedes finium* respecting certain lands in the isle of Wight. 45 Edw. 3. f. 215[b].

6. Writ of *certiorari*, with the inquest thereupon taken, to ascertain the value of the King's manors of Gedyngtone, Brygstoke, Kyngesclyve and Kyngesthorpe, in co. Northamp. 18 Hen. 6. f. 218[b].

7. "Exstent' Manerij de Eystans ad turrim fact' in presenc' d'ni die veneris prox' post Festum s'ci Dunstani anno rr' E. xj[mo]." (Co. Berks.) f. 222.

8. "Hereafter ensueth the names of the Shyres and dyverse dyoses, with the clere value of dyverse and sondery Monasteryes and pryores reported to be of the yerely valewe of CC li' and under, over and besydes soche Allowaunce as is made in the valewys of the same and devyded into xvj partes as ensuethe." f. 223.

9. Estates given by Sir Robert de Lisle to the King, and by him to John Duke of Lancaster. "Mich'is Record. A° primo R. Ric'i secundi R° secundo." f. 226.

10. Estates of Henry, late Duke of Lanc. given by the King to John D. of Lanc. "In Origin. de a° xxxv^to E. tercij R° iiij^to." f. 227.

11. Abstracts of several royal Charters relative to the castles and manors of Lewes and Reygate, in the reign of Edw. III. f. 235[b].

12. Particulars of the revenues of Jersey from "ij bokes in papyre" of the 20 Hen. 7. f. 236—8.

Two certificates that John Smyth, gent. Remembrancer of the Exchequer, had received of Sir Tho. Nevile

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certain Indentures and Schedules of the King's Wards who had sued the LIVERIES of their Estates; 3 and 4 Dec. 18 Hen. 8. f. 239.

A table of the names of the Wards, arranged in order of the years (8—18 Hen. 8) is prefixed at f. 241—2, to copies of the schedules; and as these are very important, containing, in some instances, much genealogical and topographical matter, an alphabetical index is here subjoined.

Alyngton, Giles, 280[b].
Arundell, William Earl of, 243.*
Bataylle, Rich. 268[b].
Bewpre, Edw. 279[b].
Berkeley, Thomas Lord, 248.
Blount, John, 296.
Bluet, Roger, 287[b].
Boleyn, Sir Edward, 275.
Bracebrigge, Tho. 297.
Brigges, Sir John, 291.
Broughton, Katerine, 304.
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Carewe, John, 284.
Cave, Thomas, 277[b].
Clyfford, Henry Lord, 303.
Constable, Sir Marmaduke, 282[b].
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Copleston, Charles, 283.
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Fairfax, William, 260.
Fenys, Edw. 282.
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Fitzwarren, John Burghchier Lord, 256.
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* A copy of his indenture, as well as of his schedule, is contained in the MS.

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Frowyk, Henry, 265b.
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Lytylton, John, 279.
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Raynforth, John, 302.
Rither, Sir Ralph, 274b.
Ryman, Ric. 265.
Salkeld, Tho. 290.
Savage, Christoph. 271.
Savell, Henry, 273b.
Sayntlo, John, 276b.
Seyvyll, Henry, 292.
Smart, Humf. 276b. 288.
Speke, John, 264b.
Stourton, Edw. Lord, 246.
Strangways, James, 298.
Striklond, Walter, 262.

* Though this article occurs in another part of the volume, it is noticed here, as being of the same nature with the documents referred to by this index.

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Sturgeys, John, 278[b].
Sybylles, Isaak, 261.
Sylston, John, 285.
Thorne, Edw. 301.
Tyrrell, Humfr. 264.
Vavasour, James, 269.
Westmoreland, Ralph Nevyll, Earl of, 257[b].
Whitton, John, 270[b].
Whytyng, John, 292[b].
Wroth, Robert, 263.
Wykes, Rich. 262[b].
Zouche, John Lord, 253.
Zouche, Sir John, 280.

The remainder of the volume contains the following miscellaneous articles.

1. "An Inventory of all my Masters Stuffe that is in his house. Anno xxxj[mo] R. H. viij[vi]." Written in a different hand from the rest of the MS. The following headings are observable, "In Doctour Smythys owne Chambre. —In the lytle chambre nexte unto my Maysters owne chambr.—In the chambre nexte unto Carter Lane besydes the closet." f. 305—7, 312[b].

2. A lease (in Latin) of the manor of Wawenswotton co. Warw. and of other lands, from the Provost of King's Coll. Cambr. to Sir Edw. Grey of Shoterey; 31 Aug. 8 Hen. 8. f. 310[b].

3. A lease (in Latin) of a mesuage at Powles wharf, London, formerly in the tenure of Lord Berners, from the Dean of St. Paul's to Rob. Lytton, gent. 29 Sept. 22 Hen. 8. f. 313[b].

4. Indenture tripartite, relative to sundry manors recovered from Sir Arthur Plantagenett and Elizabeth his wife, to be held in trust during her life for John Dudley her heir apparent. 17 Nov. 14 Hen. 8. f. 315[b].

This document is attested as examined "per J. Smyth," whose initials often occur in the volume, most of the documents having been examined by him or by "Couper" or "Symmys."

5. Valuations of the manors of Viscount Lisle in the county of Salop., of the manor of Stratford co. Warw., of Barwykkes co. Essex, and of two manors of Sir Jo. Talbott in Essex. f. 320[b]—1[b].

6. Conveyances of the manor of Wotton Wawen. f. 321[b].

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## XXXIV.

A small folio on paper, loosely bound in parchment.

### A Baronage of England from the Conquest to 1584, by Robert Cooke, Clarencieux.

Written on the alternate pages of 136 leaves. The entries are short, and are arranged according to the reigns of the respective kings under whom each peer lived. An index of 7 pp. is prefixed. The period of this compilation appears from the following entry:

"Raffe Lord Lumley, of whom is discended Lord Lumley that now lyvethe; one of the Auncetors of this Lord Lumley was Lord of Thwinge upon the Wole in Yorksh^r. where he now lyethe bured at this daye, 1584, whos Armes and Tombe is there, bothe in glasse and Allablaster, w^th his name there also written in the churche of Twinge, his portrature, made as he were lyinge alonge in the habite of a frier, holdinge a challis betwene his handes in token that after he had lyved many yeres and had issue, he gave over the worldly pleasure, and yelded himself religious." (Fo. 80.)

## XXXV.

This volume is a small folio, and bound in a parchment cover. It is marked with the letter B on the outside, and with this title,

THE . BOOKE . OF BVRYALS
OF NOBILITE.

The following articles precede the entries of interments.

1 "Lyveries for Noble men at the intierement of every man according to his estate."

2 "Reformation of apparrell for greate [Estates] of women in time of morning. Made by the right highe mightie and excelent princes Margaret Countesse of Richemonde doughter and sole heire to the noble prince Jhon Duke of Somersette And mother to the moste dread

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Sovereigne Lorde King Henry the seventh in the viij yeare of his most noble raigne." (3 pages.)

In the Cottonian MS. Tiberius E. VIII, f. 202–3, is contained a much older copy of these two articles, where the title of the latter begins more correctly thus: "The ordinance and reformacion of Aperell for princesses and great estatis w^t^ other Ladies and gentilwomen for the tyme of mornyng made," etc.

3 An Index to the volume.

This index being unsatisfactory, the following list of contents is extracted from the titles prefixed to the respective entries.

1. Margaret Nevell, Countess of Rutland, who died the 13th and was buried the 20th Oct. 1559. f. 1.
2. Fraunces, Duchess of Suffolk, d. 20 Nov. b. 12 Dec. 1559. 5.
3. Fraunces, Earl of Huntingdon, d. 22 June, b. 14 July, 1560. 11.
4. Amey Robsart Lady Dudelly, d. 8, b. 22 Sept. 1560. 18.
5. Fraunces Earl of Shrewsbury, d. 28 Sept. b. 21 Oct. 1560. 23.
6. John Earl of Bath, d. 11 Feb. b. . . . 1561. 29.
7. Lady Anne, wife of Sir Thomas Cheyney, K.G. d. 18, b. 27 May, 1562. 32.
8. John Earl of Oxford, d. 3, b. 25 Aug. 1562. 35.
9. William Lord Greye of Wilton, d. 15, b. 22 Dec. 1562. 42.
10. William Lord Pagett, d. 9 June, b. 18 July, 1563. 46.
11. Henry Earl of Rutland, d. 17 Sept. b. 13 Dec. 1563. 51.
12. William Lord Dacres of Gilsland, d. 12 Nov. b. 14 Dec. 1563. 58.
13. Margaret Duchess of Norfolk, d. 9, b. 24 Jan. 1564. 62.
14. Henry Earl of Westmoreland, d. 5 Jan. b. 27 Mar. 1564. 67.
15. "The Obsequie of—Ferdinando—late Emperour—in Powles on Moundaye the secound daye of October." (1564.) 71.

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16. "The Copie of a determinacion made by the Qwenes ma^ties moste honorable pryve concell touchinge the herses and rayles w^th the furnieture thereof at intermentes." 30 Jan. 1565. This was occasioned by a dispute at the above obsequy. 75.

17. "Sir Edward North knight, Baron of Cartellage," (Kirtling,) d. 31 Dec. 1564, b. 15 Jan. 1565. 79.

18. Elizabeth Marchioness of Northampton, d. 2, b. 26 Apr. 1565. 83.

19. Lady Fraunces, wife of John Lord Darcy, of Chiche, d. 18, b. 28 Apr. 1565. 86.

20. Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Lord Darcy, of Chiche, d. 24 Dec. 1565, b. 10 Jan. 1566. 88.

21. Thomas Lord Dacre of the North, d. 1, b. 25 July, 1566. 91.

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23. Lady Katheren Grey, da. of Fraunces Duchess of Suffolk, d. . . Jan. b. 18 Feb. 1568. 105,

24. Elizabeth Seymer, Lady St. John, d. 19 Mar. b. 5 Apr. 1568. 111.

25. John Lord Shefeld, d. 10, b. 21 Dec. 1568. 116.

26. George Lord Zouche, d. 19 June, b. 6 July, 1569. 118^b.

27. William Earl of Pembroke, d. 17 Mar. b. 15 Apr. 1570. 121.

28. William Lord Willoughby of Parham, d. 30 July, b. 15 Aug. 1570. 126.

At the end is an article, entitled

"Theis thinges to be prepared for the funerall of an Erle as hereafter folow^th." 139.

## XXXVI.

A thin folio of 44 leaves, bound with N° XVIII.

Liber Curiarum a Seneschallo Abbatiæ S. Petri Westmonasteriensis tentarum, annis primo secundo et tertio Ricardi tertii, in diversis maneriis eidem monasterio spectantibus.

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This book, in a brief Catalogue of the Library of the College, made about 1690, is thus described. "36. Court Rolls of the Mannors of Westerham in Kent, Chelsehith Middlesex, and other Mannors in those Countys and Surry, made in the time of Rich. 3d, a catalogue of which are in a paper in the said Book collected by me, this Book formerly belonging to the Treasurer of the Collegiate Church of Westminster, as by the outside appears." But this paper is not now extant.

The following is an Index.


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This appears to have been the original book from whence the Court Rolls were afterwards fairly engrossed: at f. 38 is an original pannel and verdict inserted; it is entitled, "Asshewell veredictum ib'm de cur' cum let' Anno rr. Ricardi tercij secundo."

## XXXVII.

## "The History of Ireland, divided into two Books, by Edmund Campion." 1571.

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## XXXVIII.

A thin folio of 15 leaves, bound with N° XVIII. eight pages of which contain a fair transcript (made in the sixteenth century) entitled,

"Quæ sequntur de Vita et gestis gloriosi Gulielmi ducis Normannorum, ac victoriosissimi regis Anglorum, extracta fuerunt de quodam libro antiquo monasterij Sancti Stephani de Cadomo, cujus monasterii fundator quondam extitit."

This tract was published by Camden in his Collection of Historians, (Francof. 1603, fol.) p. 29—35, who speaks of it thus in his Epist. Dedic. "Fragmentum de vita Gulielmi Conquestoris ex antiquo libro Monasterii S. Stephani Cadomensis, ex Galliâ, inter manubias regnante Henrico quinto allatum, quem a Guilielmo Pictavensi Lexoviorum Archidiacono conscriptum opinamur." But it consists of two fragments of the latter half of the seventh book of Ordericus Vitalis, Duchesne's Scriptores Norman. (Par. 1619, fol.) p. 646, beginning "*Dum furerent in orbe tempestates,*" and reaching to "*comprimenda*" in the middle of the next page, when this word is strangely joined to *multotiens olim contra patrem suum litigaverat*, though at the distance of nine pages in the original; whereby the sense is so confused as to have occasioned this note to have been made in the margin of the present MS. "Desideratur aliquid de incarceratione Odonis, et trajectu Guilielmi in Neustriam." The transcript extends to the conclusion of the seventh book, "Exaruit fœnum et flos ejus decidit, verbum autem domini manet in æternum.—Finis." Duchesne, pp. 656—663, where a large colophon stands in the place of this last word. A MS. of the XVth century in the Cottonian Library, (Vespas. A. XIX. n. 7,) accounts for this defect, from which several leaves having been lost, the last word of the second leaf has been inadvertently joined by subsequent copyists, with the first word on the next. This Cottonian MS. consists of 20 leaves of vellum, and has the same title as the present MS.



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## XXXIX.

A small folio, bound with N° XVIII. containing 52 leaves of paper, and the property "Roberti Hare, 1563."

A Treatise on the King of England's right to the Crown of France, and to the Duchies of Normandy and Acquitain, etc. Written by a Collector of the "Customes and Subsidies of merchaundises of oon of his [Majesty, Henry the eighth's] portes of England;" in confutation of "a litil boke or pamphlet imprinted, conteyning false untrew and dampnable matier divided into iij principall partes."

This title is taken from a preface of three pages, wherein the author calls this book the *second part* of his labour, the *first* having been "a pedegre in a Rolle as wel of the lyne or descent of the kinges of Englond as of the Regions of Fraunce Castell and Leons" (etc.) The book begins "*The office of speking is wonderfull.*" This copy, at first fairly written, contains numerous subsequent corrections and additions by the author.

## XL.

A small folio, very neatly written on paper. The first page bears this title.

"The Observations and Collections of THO: LANT, Portcullis, concerning the Office and Officers of Armes, w^th^ all y^e^ occurrantes, complayntes, quarrelles, and broyles that consequently hath happ'ned in the same, from the day of his Creacion and first entrance into the Office, as appeareth at large in y^e^ discourse following.

"Wherin is also set downe the Auncient manner and orderly proceeding (w^th^ the names and single Coates) of all y^e^ officers of Armes

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that hath byn elected and chosen since y^e^ 9^th^ yeere of King Henry the fifte: which is drawne into suche a forme by the Industry of y^e^ aforesaid Thomas Lant (and never before digested into any order) that it may be very easely continued so long as y^e^ world lasteth."

Lant was Portcullis Pursuivant in 1588, and made Windsor Herald 1597. He died in 1600. (Noble's College of Arms, p. 176.)

## XLI.

A thin folio, containing 58 leaves of paper, written towards the end of the sixteenth century.

1 The Author's Preface to the ensuing tracts, inscribed thus:—"To the right worshipfull grave and prudent the Maior and Senators of the moste auncient and honorable Citie of Excestre. John *Vowell* al's *Hoker* gent. and Chamberlayne of the same, wisshethe a happye successe in goverment w^th^ the longe continuaunce thereof, to the benefyt of the publique welthe and encrease of worshippes: 1571." f. 1.

2 "The olde and aunctient order of kepinge of the Parliamente in Englonde, vsed in the tyme of Kinge Edwarde the confessor." f. 7.

"Translated out of an olde and an aunctient Lattyn Recorde whiche I have," as the writer says in his preface. This appears to have been the spurious tract called *Modus tenendi Parliamentum*, common both in MS. and print.

3 "The order and vsage howe to kepe a Parlament in Englonde in these daies, collected by John Vowell alias Hoker gent. one of the Cytesens for the Citie of Exeter at the Parlament holden at Westmynster Anno d'ne Elizabethe Regine decimo tertio: 1571." f. 15.



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4 "The discription of the Citie of Excester, collected and gathered by John Vowell al's Hoker gentleman, and Chamberlayne of the same Citye." f. 37.

The city arms form a frontispiece to this article. There is a copy of part of it in the Cottonian MS. Titus F. IV. f. 88—91, with the date of 1559, written by Henry Ferrers of Baddesly. The edition printed at Exeter 1765, (in 4to, together with two other tracts by the same author,) is more ample than this MS.

## XLII.

A thin folio on paper, (bound with N° XVIII.) containing a transcript of

"A discriptyone or Relatyone bothe of the Auntyente and moderne Estate of the Princepalletye of Walles, and Duchey of Cornewalle and Earledome of Chester:"—dedicated "To the highe and mighty James, by the grace of God Kinge of England, Scoteland, Fraunce, and soveraigne and leege Lord," by "John Doddridg."

The dedication is written on the first leaf, and is dated "Primo Januarij Anno 1." On the next are "Abstractes and Advertesmentes concernynge the Contentes of this Discourse." The work itself occupies 28 leaves, ending with this colophon, "Heare endethe this discourse of the princepallytye of Wales written by Sarjante Doderidge, after one of the Judges of the Kinges Benche. Finis."

On the following leaf is a copy of the

Letters Patent of Edward IV. to the Prince Edward, relating to the Principality; 29 Dec. anno 16 Edw. IV.

A similar document, dated 8 July, 11 Edw. IV. is recited in the Discourse, at f. 5—6.

"The History of the Ancient and Moderne Estate of the Principality of Wales, Duchy of Cornwall and Earldom of Chester," by Sir John Doddridge, was printed in 1630, 4to, and reprinted in 1714, 8vo.

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## XLIII.

A thin folio on paper, containing 40 leaves.

### Historia Regis Ricardi tertii, auctore Thoma More equite, ipsiusque propria manu exarata.

The author's history of the protectorate and reign of Richard III. in English, was printed in the folio edition of his English works in 1557. The present version of that work in Latin was never finished: a copy appears amongst More's Latin works; and is preceded by this title in the edition published at Louvain, 1556, fol.

"Historia Richardi Regis Angliæ ejus Nominis Tertii," per Thomam Morum, Londinensis Civitatis jam tum Vicecomitem conscripta, annum circiter M.D.XIII. Quam propriæ exercitationis gratia, nec ita magno studio conscriptam, neque absolutam haud unquam postea emendavit, ut minime mireris, si cum aliis ejus Latinis operibus quoad sermonis elegantiam non conferenda sit. Hoc opus nunc primum Latine in lucem editum est. Nam ante complures annos Britannice ab eodem authore quam elegantissime conscriptum, in manus hominum prodierat; quod in ejus Anglicorum operum volumine insertum invenies."—f. 44ᵃ.

The Louvain edition contains a page and a half more than this MS. which ends abruptly with these words, "Tacentibus igitur universis dux ex equo insegnis"—the printed text reads "*ab* equo *sublimis* primum petit uti liceret ipsis," etc. f. 55ᵈ.

Some remarks on the English work may be seen in Cayley's Memoirs of Sir Tho. More, (Lond. 1808, 4ᵗᵒ.) vol. i. p. 261—3; and it is printed entire in the second volume.

## XLIV.

A folio containing 276 pages, written in the XVIIth century.

### Guilelmi Nepotis equitis aurati, de Nobilitate opus scholasticum, seu Adversaria.

On the first page is noted "Author D'ns Guil. *Nepos* eques aurat. Rex armorum tit. Clr'x." Sir William *Le*

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*Neve* was knighted in 1634, and honoured with the degree of Doctor of Laws by the University of Oxford in 1642. This curious book is composed in a sententious form, beginning thus:

"Tres sunt secundum quosdam Nobilitatis species, vil't:
- Stirpis et sanguinis.
- Virtutis, et hanc veram nobilitatem philosophus amplectitur.
- Mixta de utraque ex precedentibus speciebus partem capiens."

It abounds with sentences extracted from the ancient poets, philosophers, and orators: and the conclusion is a quotation from "Horat: Ode 4." lib. iv.

"Fortes creantur fortibus et bonis.
Est in Juvencis, est in Equis patrum
Virtus: neque imbellem feroces
Progenerant Aquilæ Columbam."

## XLV.

A small folio on paper, containing 168 leaves, written in double columns, in the fifteenth century. (Two leaves are marked 107.)

### The *Confessio Amantis* by John Gower.

The writing of this MS. and the painting of the initial letters are far inferior to those of the fine Harleian MS. 7184; and as it is not remarkable for antiquity, its mutilation is less to be deplored. The pages of Berthelet's editions (1532 and 1554) nearly correspond with this MS., which seems to have lost three leaves of the last quire, and one whole quire of eight leaves. The last lines are in the story of Apollonius in the eighth book, f. 167$^{d}$.

"For betre it is thai seiden alle
That it of hir so by falle
Than if thei scholden alle spille
The king which understod her wille
And knew here conseil that was trewe
Bygan aghein his sorwe newe

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With pitous herte and thus to say
It is al reson that ghe pray.
*Qualiter suadentibus nautis corpus uxoris*". . . .

Berthelet's text differs from the above and from Caxton's, in placing the rubric between the fourth and fifth lines. Of this rubric the first line only is preserved in the MS. and has been covered with ink to hide the defect. Caxton's edition was printed in 1483, the "fyrst yere" of Rich. III., but a redundant x has made the date appear 1493. His preface is short and curious.

"This book is intituled Confessio Amantis, that is to saye in englysshe the confessyon of the louer maad and compyled by Johan Gower squyer borne in Walys in the tyme of kyng richard the second which book treteth how he was confessyd to Genyus preest of Venus vpon the causes of loue in his fyue wyttes and seuen dedely synnes, as in thys sayd book al alonge appyereth, and by cause there been comprysed therin dyuers hystoryes and fables towchyng euery matere, I haue ordeyned a table here folowyng of al suche hystoryes and fables where and in what book and leef they stande in as here after foloweth."

The errors of Caxton and of many other writers, with respect to the family of Gower, are pointed out in the *Retrospective Review, New Series*, vol. ii. p. 103, where every fact connected with him which has been discovered, will be found.

On two leaves of parchment at the beginning of this MS. are these notes (of the XVth century) amongst a variety of others: "Thys boke be longytt on to thomas goodonston gerdeler of London."—"This boke be longytt vn To Master Jhon Barthyllmewe Gerdyllarr and Marchauntt of London." From several memoranda on the margins, it appears to have belonged to Michael and Thomas Man, of York, in the reign of Q. Mary.

## XLVI.

A small quarto on paper, containing 52 leaves neatly written in the XVIIth century. Bound with N° XXV.

"Discorso della Nobilta di Firenze e de Fiorentini."

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It contains historical notices of the natives who have distinguished themselves, and ends thus,—"A laude d' Iddio, a esaltazione della fede di Cristo Giesu, a gloria della Cita di Firenze, ed a felicita perpetua della sers^ma^ Casa de Medici, e del Gran Duca Ferdinando suo terjo Gran Duca." (f. 52^b^.)

## XLVII.

A small quarto on paper, containing 103 pages, written in the XVIth century; thus entitled by Sir W. Dugdale:

### "Certaine Memorialls relating to the Knights of the Garter."

The contents are as follow.

1. Circular from the Sovereign to the Knights, directing them to assemble to fill up the place of Sir Robert Dunffrevyl, deceased, and to say masses for him; in French. p. 1.

2. To the Duke of Buckingham, concerning the prorogation of the feast of St. George until the 9th of May. p. 2.

3. Circular on the death of Sir Edward Woodvyle. p. 3.

4. "Thofferinge of thatchementes of knyghtes of thordre in due manner at Wyndzor." p. 5.

5. "The noumbre of knightes in thes ordres followinge." p. 6.

6. "Thes thinges followinge to be prepared for thenstallacōn of a knight of the noble ordre of the Garter." p. 7.

7. "A l're [*letter*] fro the kinge to the knight newe Electe." p. 11.

8. "A lycence for a knight to be Absente fro the seid feaste:" 12 April, 3 Edw. 6. p. 12.

9. "The promulgacōn of disgradinge a knight of thordre" for treason. p. 13.

10. "Another" like circular. p. 15.

11. Three causes "whye the Armes of those men w^ch^ be fawltie and banysshed for Crymes to theyre Soveraigne do Remayne." p. 17.

12. An account of the election and installation of S^r^ Frauncys Surren al's Arrogoneys," 26 Hen. VI: with the fees to be taken by Garter on such occasions. p. 22.

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13. "A Coppye of a presidente of the most honerable ordre of the garther for lyverez of the same noble ordre foundid in the Castle of Wyndsor by the most exellent prince K. E. the iij." p. 23.

14. "A warraunte for the seid lyverye," to Sir Ra. Sadler. p. 25.

15. "Dewties to be payd by everye knight of the seid ordre at hys Installacōn at Wyndsor aftre theyre Estates to the Colledge." p. 26.

16. "Charges belonginge to the Kynges lyeutenaunte at the feaste of Seynt George." p. 28.

17. "Thes thinges to be preparid agenst Seynt Georges feaste, signed w^th^ the K. ma^ties^ hande, and sealid w^th^ the seale of thordre." p. 28.

18. "Dewties to be payd at the deathe of anye knyght departid." p. 29.

19. "St. Georges feaste at Wyndsor, June 1565, A. 7 E. 6. therle of Shrewsbury his paymentes." p. 29.

20. "Feastes of Seynt George kepte at the Castle of Wyndsor in the tyme of the Raygne of Kinge Henrye theight, and the names of the lyeutenuantes and deputyes w^t^ the knyght Installed at the seid feastes." p. 30.

21. Other places at which "Saynt Georges daye in the tyme of Kinge Henrye theight" was kept. p. 38.

22. "Seynt Georges daye kept in the tyme of K. E. the Sixte." p. 40.

23. Annual Lists of the "Knightes of thordre" from the 11th to the 38th of Henry VIII. p. 41—67.

Each one of these lists occupies a page; the names are set down in the order of the stalls, notes of the deaths occur against them, and various observations are made at the foot of the pages. The first list seems to have served with little alteration for several years, and the second is for the 17th year.

24. "The Coppye of a l're sent to the knightes of thordre Aprell 1548, A° iij° E vj^ti^ before seynt Georges daye." p. 70.

For the avoiding of superstitious ceremonies in the Order, in consequence of "a most godlie reformac'on of dyversse Abuses and Rytes in the Churche."

25. "Feastes and Installacōns kept at Wyndsor in the tyme of K. Edward the Sixt, As followethe." p. 73—4.

26. Annual lists of "Knyghtes of Thorder" from the 1st to the 7th of Edw. VI. p. 75—83. There are very

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copious notes of proceedings in the chapters of 1549, at p. 77—8.

27. "The Othe of a Knight Electid." p. 81.

28. "St. Georges day kepte in the tyme of quene Marye and K. Phylyppe." p. 88.

29. "Feastes and Installacōns kept at Wyndsor in the tyme of Quene Marye and K. Phillippe." p. 89.

30. Notes of the restoration of the Duke of Norfolk and L. Pagett, and of the removal of the D. of Suffolk's hatchments; 1553. p. 93.

31. Annual lists of the Knights for St. George's day, in the reign of Q. Mary. p. 94—9.

32. "Feastes and Installacōns kept at Wyndsor in the tyme of quene Elizabeth." p. 100.

33. Annual lists of the "Knightes of thordre as they were placyd at Wyndsor," 17 Nov. 1558, 3 June 1559, and St. George's day, 1560; with notes. p. 101—3.

## XLVIII.

A thick folio volume in wooden covers; containing,

### The Historical Tracts and Collectanea of William Botoner (*alias* Wyrcestre) with Sir John Fastolf's original State Papers.

The collector of this volume has the reputation of being one of the earliest and most diligent of English antiquaries. He was educated at Oxford, and became physician and secretary to the celebrated Sir John Fastolf, whose connexion with the principal events of the reign of Henry the VIth is well known. Amongst the numerous MSS. left by that writer the present is by no means the least important; it contains many illustrations of points of English history, and particularly in reference to the administration of the Duke of Somerset in France.

After Botoner's death it appears to have been possessed by some members of the Hungerford family, as is evinced by the autographs of "Robart Hvngarfforde" (f. 38) and "E. Hungerford," (f. 158$^{b}$.) This MS. was borrowed by Dr. Mead for Hearne, who, in 1728, published some portions in the second volume of his "*Liber Niger Scaccarii*,"

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under the title "Wilhelmi Wyrcestre Annales Rerum Anglicarum."

These Annals consist of historical notes scattered through the MS. which in the present account of it are noticed in seven distinct articles: they are intermixed in Hearne with the miscellaneous passages noticed here as the articles 41, 39, 52, 61, 33. To the Annals he subjoined seven pieces under the title of *ανεκδοτα*. Some account of these pieces will be found in Hearne's preface, p. xxi—xl, and his note at p. 521. In the *Retrospective Review, New Series*, vol. ii. p. 451—4, an account of Botoner is contained in an article on his Itinerary, published by Dr. Nasmith in 1778; together with references to some of his MSS.

1 Chronicon ab adventu Saxonum ad accessionem Edw. III. (qui *sextus* appellatur) inc. *Angli et Saxones invitati.* f. 1.

2 Botoner's Annals. Part VI. f. 15.

See the notes on art. 34, p. 78.

3 "Cognomina conquestorum Anglie, cum d'no Will'mo Duce Normanie, Conquestore Anglie." f. 21.

This leaf has been folded and directed on the back "To my most weele beloued and trusty frend William Worcetre." The article is printed in Hearne's work, p. 524. (Anecd. I.)

4 "Here begynneth al the Kynges that euer reigned in Ingelonde that is to saie from Brut that first inabitet this londe vnto Kyng Henry the vj^te^ wom God maintayne and kepe." f. 22.

5 "Here ben and followen al the Popis that euer reigned sethen the berthe of Crist." f. 33.

6 "Here followen al the Emperoures that euer reigned before the Berthe of Crist and after." f. 39.—A second list, f. 43.

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7 A series of the names of the Popes, in French, with a short preface beginning, *Saint Pierre apostre de n're s^r^.* f. 47.

8 Names of the Roman Emperors. f. 55.

9 An English translation of art. 7, by the same hand. f. 58.

10 A penitential meditation in metre, beginning "*I languisshe and crie in my defaulte.*" f. 68.

11 Another series of the Popes. f. 69.

This quire is wrongly folded; the leaves 68—9—70 ought to have preceded 65—6—7.

12 Names of the British Kings, and of the Saxon Kings during the Heptarchy. f. 71.

13 Collectanea de Regibus Britonum.—*Bywallich filius Cunodagii.* f. 76.

14 "De Translacione s'c'i Dunstani a Cant. Glastoniam." f. 82.

15 Breve Chronicon per 50 annos a Christo nato deductum.—*Ab origine mundi.* f. 82^b^.

16 Abstracts of Papal privileges granted to Westminster Abbey. f. 83^b^.

Apparently taken from some Register of the Abbey, the leaves of which, and the chests containing the original bulls, are referred to.

17 Excerpta ex Matthæo Westm. de Regibus Anglo-Saxonibus. f. 84^b^.

18 De Coronatione quorumdam Regum Franciæ. f. 85^b^.

19 "Sequitur generacio illustricissimi (*sic*) principis Ric'i Duc' Eborac' etc." f. 85^b^.

Hearne, p. 525. (Anecd. II.)

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20 Descents of the British Kings from Kamber to Rees ap Meredith. *Kambrius tercius filius Bruti.* f. 86.

21 The descendants of Rollo: *Anno D'ni viii^c lxxvj Rollo primus dux.* f. 86.

22 Historia Regum Britonum et Saxonum ad finem Heptarchiæ.—*Noe fuerunt tres filii.* f. 86^b.

23 Computationes Chronologicæ, "Ab initio seculi usque ad nativitatem Christi." f. 93^b.

24 Edwardi IV. Genealogia. f. 94.
Hearne, p. 526. (Anecd. III.)

25 "De libro Josephi" super annorum computatione *A principio mundi.* f. 94^b.

26 De successione sive genealogia Regum Britonum et Anglorum usque ad Stephanum.—*Japhet filius Noe genuit.* f. 94^b.

27 Notæ aliquot ad Abbatiam pertinentes Westmonasteriensem. f. 95^b.
Hearne, p. 528. (Anecd. IV.)

28 De connubiis et prole Regum, ab Aluredo ad Willielmum I. f. 96.

29 Metra de Regibus Angliæ.—*Ethelbertus erat princeps regno satis aptus.* f. 99.
Hearne, p. 529. (Anecd. V.)

30 Chronologia Regum Pontificum et Episcoporum, annis 597—827. f. 100.

31 Annales breves de rebus Anglicis, ab 871 ad 1114. "*Anno gracie* 871 *Ethelredus.*" f. 101.

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32 Chronicon de Bruto imperfectum, quod ab Adamo exordium facit *(Anno vite Adam xv natus est ei Cayin)* atque desinit de Humbro *submerso, qui nomen suum flumini reliquit.* f. 107b.

33 Excerpta ex Chronicis, et Collectanea historica: videlicet,

Obitus Regum Angliæ, etc. f. 111.

"Epithaphium regine Katerine," (quod Hearnius in Annalibus reposuit sub anno 1437, p. 459.) f. 112.

De Bruto et Britonibus, forsan è Galfr. Monm. f. 112.

De Edwardo Seniore; ubi plura chronica citantur. f. 114b.

De Regibus Will. I. et II. f. 115.

(The direction, "Require de Rege Henrico primo. 14. post," can only apply to f. 107, so that probably these two quires have been transposed by the binder.)

Notæ historicæ, a Stephano ad finem Edw. III. f. 115.

"Expliciunt quedam notabilia extracta de quodam libro voc' *Flores Historiarum.*" f. 119.

"Processus de libro *Policron.* extract." An. 1327 ad 1368. ibid.

34 Botoner's Annals, 1324 to 1445. Part I. f. 122.

This is the first part, occupying 9 pages, and consists only of short notes compiled from written materials then existing. In the last page the years are much confused. After the papers which compose this volume had been bound together, the author made his historical notes upon 13 vacant leaves in different places, referring at the end of some articles to the place where the succeeding one might be found. These parts of the Annals are separately noticed in this catalogue in the order in which they stand.*

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* It may be convenient to arrange them here chronologically, with references to the pages of Hearne's edition, where Part I. art. 34, occupies p. 425—462.

Part II. art. 35, p. 463—4. This and the other parts are written in a larger and better character than the foregoing, which resembles the Collectanea, art. 33.

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35 Botoner's Annals from 1446 to 1449. Part II. f. 126$^{b}$—129.

36 A note on the right to the crown of Scotland; with a series of Scottish Kings. f. 130.

37 "Provisiones Oxon. etc. edite et advis' per magnum parliamentum ibidem tent' citra festum s'ci Barnabe A° Xp'i 1258, et rr' H. tercij xliij.—*Provisum est.*" f. 131.

38 "Testamentum regis Henrici tercij." f. 139.

Hearne, p. 532. (Anecd. VI.)

39 Fragmentum Collectaneorum Historicorum, incip. *famosissimus miles natione Anglicus.* f. 140.

Hearne has printed most of this leaf at p. 437—440; but two passages in the MS. *Nota quod Anglia continet in longitudine,* (etc.) and *Regnum orientalium Anglorum,* (etc.) both from the Polychronicon, show that this article does not belong to the Annals.

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Part III. (art. 45, f. 168—9.) "Festum Michaelis a° xxviij° Regis Henrici vj. et a° do$^{i}$ 1459." (corr. 1449.) Hearne, p. 473—483.

Part IV. (art. 45, f. 170,) "A° do$^{i}$ 1460." Hearne, p. 483.

Part V. (art. 45, f. 171—3.) An. 1460—2. Hearne, p. 484—497.

Part VI. (art. 2, f. 15—20) . . . . *dominis de exercitu fugientibus.* Hearne, p. 497—519. The outside pair of 8 leaves appears to have been lost, so that this article begins abruptly; the last leaf was probably vacant. It is observable that the style, as well as the handwriting, differs from the other parts, and it probably ought not to have been classed with *these* Annals.

Part VII. (art. 55, f. 206—7.) "25$^{to}$ die. viz. 8$^{mo}$ kk$^{ls}$ octobr." Hearne, p. 519—520, where the paragraphs are placed in a different order from that in the MS.

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40 Ordinances of Edward II. passed under the great seal, 5 Oct. anno 5. (French.) f. 141.

This document has been printed in the Rolls of Parliament, vol. i. p. 281—6, and in the authentic edition of the Statutes of the Realm, vol. i. It was revoked in the Parl. at York, in the 15th year of the same reign.

41 "Hic incipit Lamentatio gloriosi Regis Edwardi de Karnarvan, quam edidit tempore sue incarceracionis." f. 153.

Hearne has unaccountably placed this rhyming Latin poem in the Annals, under the year 1327, p. 425—9. It is therefore less remarkable that neither Lord Orford, Ritson, Douce, nor Park, should have known that it had been printed; nor even Tanner, (from whose notice of the present MS. copy their knowledge of it was derived,) although his *Bibliotheca* was not printed until after Hearne's death. See Ritson's Bibliogr. Poet. p. 94, and Walpole's Royal and Noble Authors, by Park, vol. i. p. 16—8.

42 "Quod sanctitati d'ni n'ri summi pontificis clare pateat quod juste petit d'ns Rex Anglie, Jure hereditario Regni Francie, datur Informacio que sequitur per nuncios d'ci Regis." f. 155.

Hearne, p. 534. (Anecd. VII.)

43 Supplication of John King of France to Edward III. for release from confinement, when prisoner in England.—*Je Joh'n etc. ay requis mon cousin Edward Roy.* f. 158.

44 "Pax generalis inter Principes Anglie et Johannem Adversarium Regis E. tercij." f. 159.

This article consists of copies and extracts of several documents relative to the Treaty at Calais in 1360, most of which are printed in the FŒDERA, (new edit.) vol. iii. part I. The whole is in French, and an introduction is prefixed, beginning, *Le Jour de quasimodo lan de grace mil ccc.lx le Roy Edouard Dangleterre et tout son host se deslogierent au matin.*

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45 Botoner's Annals. Parts III. IV. and V. f. 168.

See note on art. 34.

46 The Treaty of Troyes, 21 May, 1421.—*Charles par le grace de Dieu Roy de France.* f. 174.

Rymer, vol. ix. p. 895—904.

47 Agricultural precepts, in French. f. 180.

"Comment on doit enter soubtillement Prevez ung syon a ung neu et le tordez et ostez lestorce et le neu ensemble et mettez ung gitton aussi gros comme le greffe est et il se repprandra bien tost." This article is repeated at f. 181b.

48 "De ponderibus Auri et Argenti." f. 183.

Three short notes, beginning *La livre de tour de Londres.*

49 Statutes of the Order of the Garter; in French. f. 185.

After the original statutes in the patent of foundation (beginning *A lonneur de Dieu*) follows this title, "Cy ensuivent les addicions f'ces es autres chapistres par le soverain et compaign' dudit ordre:" f. 191b, two leaves appear to have been torn out, leaving this article imperfect.

50 "Md qd inter Articula litere patentis Regis Caroli .vj. Francie Regis super concordia Regnorum Anglie et Francie inter dictum Carolum et Regem Henricum quintum, habentur certi articuli sub forma sequenti." f. 192.

51 "Md quod isti domini infra scripti regnabant Ao X'pi 1416. tempore quo generale concilium fuit apud Constanciam celebratum." f. 193.



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52 "Processus et Articuli contra R. Richardum secundum, in Parliamento Westmonast: A.D. 1399."—*Memo^d quod Ricardus.* f. 194.

Inserted by Hearne in the Annals, p. 445—451.

53 "Chy commenche Listoire de la destruccion du bon Roy Richard Dangleterre, jadis filz du prince de Gallez de puis lan mil iij^c iiii^xx et xvj. Jusquez a lan iiij^xx et xix." f. 196.

This curious history begins *Le Roy Richard rendi la ville de Brest et le chastiau au Duc de Bretagne.* The portion contained in the present copy consists of 14 chapters, and appears to have been left unfinished; ending *pour ce que lez chosez son se grandez entre . . . .* f. 204^b. On the back of the following leaf is an entry of,

54 Household Expenses, entitled "Jeoffey a Loundres le primer iour dapprill. En hostiell mouns^r Thomas Mountagu Count de Sarisbire et s^r de Mounthermer et de Haywardyn et Mount-Joye remowez a Seint Elenes lan du Roy H. [v.] ix^me." 1421. f. 205^b.

55 Botoner's Annals. Part VII. f. 206.

See the note on art. 34.

56 "Cest lestat et ordonnance qui appartient au Roy n're souverain s^re au fait de son escuierie quant il lui plaist chevauchier en habit Royal." f. 208.

57 "Cest la ligne des Ducs de Normandie deca Willam le conquereur que fut trouve escript de ung veile livre fraunceys de ung tresauncien escripture et icie escript le moys de november lan de grace 1451." f. 209.

This is a pedigree from "Roolle le premier duc" to Edward I.

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58 "Pour Remonstrer en brief, que les habitans du duche de Normendie et mesmem't les bourgoiz manans et habitans de la ville de Rouen ne doivent estre traiz en France ne ne sont tenus de y sortir juridic'on, ne y respondre. Mesmem't selon le traitte de la paix final dentre les Roys et les Royaumes de France et Dangleterre. En Respondant aux argumens deceulx qui vouldroient dire le contraire, pourroit on dire ce qui sens' soubz le noble correction de tous." f. 210.

This document contains 49 articles.

59 "Istud est Cimbolum Apostolicum prophetizatum tam per xij prophetas quam per xij apostolos prout patet in sequenti." f. 216.

With these sentences of the Apostles' creed are parallel passages from the Old Testament. *Jheremias: Patrem vocabis me dicit d'ns.*

60 Surnames ending in *-vyle.* f. 218b.

61 Note that Thomas, afterwards Duke of Clarence, was Lieutenant of Ireland, 2—7 of Henry IV, and that J. Fastolf was with him. f. 218b.

Inserted by Hearne in the Annals, p. 452.

62 Ordinance of Louis King of France, for the due discharge of civil offices. f. 220.

The following remark is prefixed to this document: "Apres ce que le Roy fut retourne en Fraunce il se contint devotement envers n're sr et fut droicturier envers ses subges. Si regarda que ce seroit bonne chose damender lestat de son Royaume sy en ordonna en la maniere qui est contenue en ces l'res. *Loys par la grace,*" etc.

63 Proceedings against John Duke D'alencon for high treason. f. 221.



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This is the original copy addressed "A mon treshonnoure S^r et maister mons^r Joh'n Fastolf ch'lr." (endorsement 228^b.) and accompanied by a circular letter from Charles VI. (10 Oct. 1458.) The document begins "Cy ensuit la fourme et assiete du parlement et convenc'on tenu au Chasteau de Vendosme le samed' xxviij^e jour Daoust" 1458. f. 222.

64 Articles touching the surrender of the Castle and Palace of Rouen, made by Sir Tho. Hoo, Sir Herry Radford, Sir John Frogenhale and John . . . esq. commissioners of Edmund Duke of Somerset; ratified by letters under his seal, 29 Oct. 1449. f. 226.

The present transcript was made from a copy recited in letters under seal of two notaries, 10 Nov. and was authenticated by two other notaries, 15 Nov. 1449.

65 Articles touching the right and dominion of the kingdoms of Castile and Leon, etc. agreed between John (King of Castile and Leon, and) Duke of Lancaster, and John son of Henry Earl of Trastamera. f. 229.

This document begins *In nomine s'ce* (etc.) *Pacis amator non bene colitur nisi pacis tempore.* It contains 25 articles. The leaves 231—2—0—5—3—4 have been misplaced.

66 A History of Henry the fifth's Wars in France. f. 236.

The two quires on which this article is written were probably a portion of a larger work. This History is divided into chapters, the first being entitled, "Comment les embassadeurs du Roy Dangleterre vindrent en France, lesquelz sommerent le Roy de France de rendre les terres appartenantes au Roy Dangleterre. *En lan mil xiiij ou mois de Juing.*" The last chapter is entitled "Comme le Roy de France Charles mourut au bois de Vincennes," and ends, *son noble sanc et lignage.* f. 269.

67 "*Nota* the notable Receiuing of Harry the sexte in to the noble cite of Parys." f. 270.

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This English title is prefixed to a ceremonial in French, beginning *Lan de grace mil cccc xxxj le dimenche ij^e^ jour du mois de Decembre*, with copies of complimentary verses. A ceremonial of his coronation as King of France on the 16th of the same month, is contained in the Cottonian MS. Tiberius E. VIII. On the back of the last leaf has been written—

68 An account of goods "that W. Rokewode hat sold to diverc' personis." f. 273b.

69 "Ce sont les Endentures des garnisons de Normandie et pais de Conquest, advisees et faictes a Rouen ou mois Doctobre mil iiij^c^ xxxiiij. Par mons^r^ le Regent estant po^r^ lors audit lieu." f. 274.

This document is endorsed "Ordonñ des garnisons po^r^ lan," (etc.) A similar statement for the year 1433 is contained in the Antiq. Society's MS. 41, n. 5.

70 "Lez Articles des Treves fait enter le Roy de Angleterre et Fraunce et son Adversaire de Fraunce, a Tours en Tourayne lan M^l^ ccccxliiij. le moys le May." f. 278.

71 Warrant of "Guill'e de la Pole Conte de Suffolk" to "Thomas Gower lieuten' de Chièrebourgh," for the release of the Conte d'Angoulesme from his custody. Ewelm, 22 Aug. 22 Henr. VI. f. 284.

This noble person had been the prisoner of John Duke of Somerset, who dying in 1444, resigned his right to the Earl of Suffolk, apparently in trust for his Duchess, who held securities for his ransom exceeding 65,000 crowns. The lieutenant persisted in keeping his prisoner seven months after this warrant, which occasioned,

72 Another warrant of "Guill'e de la Pole Marquis et Conte de Suffolk," discharging Tho. Gower esq. from all responsibility upon his

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releasing the Conte d'Angoulesme. 29 Mar. 1445. f. 284b.

73 Note of the capture of the town and castle of "Fugiers in Bretayng" 1448, whereby the truce was broken. f. 285b.

74 "Cy ensuit les noms des cites villes et places chateaux et forteresses qui ont este perdus durant la charge et gouuernance du duc de Somerset tant en France que en Normendie." f. 286.

These two articles appear to have been written under the direction of Sir John Fastolf, and the latter is interlined with many additional facts concerning the captains and lieutenants whose names are recorded, in Botoner's handwriting.

75 Proceedings at a convention in the council-chamber of Le Mans, between Sir Nich. Molineux, Osb. Mundefort and Tho. Direhill commissioners for making provision for the English subjects about to quit the co. of Maine, and the commrs of the King of France appointed to take possession of that county: 31 Oct. and 1 Nov. 1447. f. 290.

In the proceedings of the first day is incorporated a public act, (in Latin,) 8 Oct. 1447, reciting

"La letter confirmative du Roy n're se sign' de T. Kent pour deliverer la Conte du Maine," (27 July, 1447,) in which is recited a similar letter, dated 22 Dec. 1445. f. 290b.

The proceedings of the second day, likewise in French, form a separate document. f. 296.

76 Five letters from Henry VI. relative to the surrender of the county of Maine. f. 304.

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The first, third, and fourth, dated 28 July, 1447, are addressed to Mat. Goth and Foukes Eton; the fifth (to the same) and the second (to the marquis of Dorset) are dated Oct. 23.

77 Proceedings on the reading of a Commission to M. Goth and F. Ecton to deliver the County of Maine; which Osb. Mundeford protested against: 23 Sept. 1447. f. 310.

This commission is the same as N° 4 of the foregoing article. The paper is endorsed "Double a Gervaise Foulon po[r] monstrer a mess[e] Jehan Fastolf et autres." f. 311[b].

78 "De l'ris Regijs ac Instrumentis recordatis super deliberacione Comitatus Cenomanie. A° Xp'i M[l] iiij[c] xlvij°." f. 312.

An unfinished copy of art. 75.

79 "Sensuivent les appointemens qui ont este faiz entre mons[r] le Conte de Dunois, mons[r] le Seneschal, et mons[r] de Precigny dune part; et Mathieu Goth dautre, touchant le fait de la delivrance de la cite ville et chastel du Mans, Maine la Juhez, et des autres villes places chasteaulx et forteresses, estans en lobeissance du Roy Dangleterre ou conte du Maine: P[rese]ns ausd' appointemens Guill'e de Menypeny, Jehan Hauart, Robert Hemon et Xp'ofle Hennesson." 31 Dec. 1447. f. 314.

80 An obligation, in French, whereby Adam [Molines] Bp. of Chichester and Sir Robert Roos (commissioners for the truce) promise to give up the Castle etc. of Maine on the 27th of March 1448; dated Mar. 15. f. 315[b].

The protestation made against this act by Gogh and Ecton on the same day, may be seen in Rymer, vol. xi. p. 204—6.

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81 "Appoinctement fait a Faylayse le x. die Jullij Añ Xp'i M$^{l}$ iiij$^{c}$ per Comitem de Shrewysburye prisonarium." f. 316.

This title was written by Botoner to a capitulation, made in the siege of Falaise, to surrender it on the 21st of July, unless relieved before then.

82 Another copy of art. 77. f. 320.

83 "Appoinctement fait par monseigneur le Conte de Dunois lieutenant general du Roy n're s$^{r}$ sur le fait de sa guerre, et les autres seigneurs—estans au siegé devant la ville de Baieux, Avec Mathieu Goth cap$^{ne}$ de gens darmes et de traict estans dedens lad' ville, pour et ou nom deulx" etc. 16 May, 1450. f. 321.

84 Charges, in the form of Questions to be put "au Duc de Somerset par le Conseil du Roy," relative to the abuses under his administration as Regent of France. (French.) f. 323, 328.

85 "Advertirimentes" on sundry matters of State. f. 324.

The first paragraph is this: "Memor. savyng youre good correccõn that it is right neccessarie amonges othir of my lordes articlis, that there be desired to be madé a Styward of Englond, a Cunstable, and suche othir officers, lordes of gret worship' of good name and fame, not sclaundred with the vice of couuetisé for the welfare and defence of this Reame from the power of our' adu'saries." Some of the items are very curious, and one complains bitterly of the loss of the County of Maine. This article, together with the three following, was very probably composed by Sir John Fastolf.

86 Nineteen propositions relative to the recovery of the English provinces in France; "Scrip-

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tum mense augusti Anno d'ni M° cccc° xlix°. et Regni d'ni n'ri Regis H. vj^ti Anno xxvij^mo." f. 329.

The introductory paragraph begins *Quoniam d'ns noster Rex intelligens oppressiones.* Several replies to an objection are subjoined.

87 An unfinished tract on the increase and improvement of the current coin of the realm. f. 333.

The second paragraph explains the design of this article: "Ea propter protector hujus cedule decrevit scribere articulos circiter l^a per quos sperat evidenter demonstrare unde prosperitas universalis hujus incliti regni Anglie, a xxx. annis citra, paulatim de die in diem latenter immolata est: et cum hoc aperrire viam utilem et honestam per quam dicta prosperitas faciliter poterit restaurari absque dampno injuria aut gravamine cujusquam."

88 Objections against certain ways and means (*viis et mediis*) for raising money to pay the King's debts.—*Dum magnarum rerum publicarum Rectores.* f. 339.

89 "Le premier Jorney Seynt Albons." 22 May, 1455. f. 341.

This paper appears to be an original document sent "A mon treshonnoure s^r et maister mons' John Fastolf ch'lr," (endorsement f. 342^b) detailing the hostile transactions between the Duke of York and the noblemen in the King's company, "Le Jeudj xxij^e Jour de may prochain avant la feste de penthecoste lan du Regne du Roy n're souverain s^r Henry vj^e apres le conquest dangleterre xxxiij^e." These are the first words.

90 A narrative by "Anthonie de Wydeville seigneur de Scalles et de Nucelles," describing how he was surrounded by the Queen and several ladies after mass, 17 Apr. 1465, and

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presented with a rich gold collar together with a letter (which follows) obliging him to accomplish certain prescribed feats of arms, at their pleasure. f. 343.

91 "Her ensyn the resonis and consideracōnis that mevyn the lordes sp'uel and temporell assemblid be the K. commaundement in this p'nt parlement to eschew to avise the K. or thai to assent to send now immediatly soco's of his peple out of this land, namly at his owyn sowd and charge, in to Hol. and Zeland withoute that ther were preambles wroght and doon before."

This paper relates to the affairs of the Duchess of Burgundy.

92 "Cronica de translacione Imperij Romani in Germanos." *Multifarie multisque modis.* f. 347.

This article is written in a Dutch hand of the XVth century, upon 15 leaves. It bears internal evidence of as early composition as the reign of Rudolphus I. (between 1273 and 1291,) and is thus entitled in the collection of writers published by Simon Schardius, "De Jurisdictione Autoritate et Præeminentia Imperiali," (Basil. 1556, fol.) —"Chronica Magistri *Jordanis*, Qualiter Romanum Imperium translatum fuit in Germanos, et primo quare Romanum Imperium sit honorandum." p. 297—313. A catalogue of works with the same title is prefixed to the Frankfort edition of Mathias Flacius Illyricus de Translatione, *etc.* 1612, 4°.

## XLIX.

"An account of Receipts and Payments for one whole year out of the Estate of the Dutchess of Norfolk."

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# XLIX.

[The title of the MS. numbered XLIX. at p. 90, was taken from an old catalogue, the MS. itself not being in the press when that sheet was printed. Having been since found, the following account is inserted.]

A small quarto, containing 38 leaves of paper, written in a clear hand.

"Ceux sount les deniers liverez a s' Thomas Cobbe Tresorer del lostiel la Countesse de Norff' pur les despens du dit hostiel de le primer iour Doctobre lan xviij$^{me}$ tanqe en un an entierement finiz." f. 1b.

From a few notices respecting Chacomb, contained in this MS. it has been erroneously referred to by Tanner in the *Notitia Monastica*, and by Bridges in his *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i. under Chacomb, as being a rental of the lands belonging to Chacomb Priory. It is evidently, however, the account of Margaret Countess of Norfolk, daughter of Thomas de Brotherton, who was created Earl of Norfolk to hold to him and the heirs of his body, 6 Edw. II.; it refers to the 18th year of Richard II. 1394, in the 21st year of which reign she was, by the designation of Countess of Norfolk, created Duchess of Norfolk.

The account of payments occupies f. 2, at the end of which is noted "La summe totale de les deniers liverez a s' Thomas yceste an—vj$^{c}$ iiij$^{xx}$ ij$^{li}$ xvj$^{d}$." Then follows an account of the proceeds of divers manors and lands, the names of which are here arranged alphabetically; and of most of which the inquisition taken after her death, 1 Hen. IV. (n° 72,) shows she died seized.

Alspath *Warr.* f. 6b.
Aspelee *Warrewyk.* 6.
Asshburne *Derby.* 5.
Berewyk *Suff.* 20.
Bongeye *Suff.* 20b.
Bosham ove les membres *Suthsex.* 11.
Boxbury *Hertford.* 12b.
Bretteby *Derby.* 4.
Brokenwharf *London.* 11b.
Cestreford, Dokesworth. *Essex.* 13.
Cheffeld. 27.
Chepstowe *Gales.* 10b.
Crattefeld *Suff.* 19.



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Dichyngham *Norff.* 22.
Dokesworth (vide *Cestreford.*)
Donyngworth *Suff.* 15b.
Dovercourt, Herewicz *Essex.* 13b.
Dykelburgh *Norff.* 23b.
Dynnyngton *Everwyk.* 9.
Eresham *Norff.* 21b.
Flekenhoo *North.* 5b.
Fornescete *Norff.* 24.
Framlyngham *Suff.* 16b.
Framyngham *Norff.* 24b.
Hacheston *Suff.* 17.
Halveryate *Norff.* 26b.
Haneworth *Norff.* 25b.
Harleston *Norff.* 22b.
Herewicz (vide *Dovercourt.*)
Holleslee *Suff.* 14b.
Hoo ove le hundred *Suff.* 17b.
Ilketeshale *Suff.* 19b.
Kelleshale *Suff.* 16.
Kenet *Suff.* 21.
Kostlaston *Derby.* 4b.
Lodne *Norff.* 10.
Lopham *Norff.* 23.
Monsorell la meyndre. *Leycestre.* 3.
Penne (la) *Buk.* 8b.
Pesenhale *Suff.* 9b.
Pydele *Wygorn.* 7b.
Rumford *Essex.* 12b.
Saham *Suff.* 18.
Southwalsham *Norff.* 26.
Staverton *Suff.* 15.
Stodesdon *Salop.* 8.
Stonham *Suff.* 18b.
Stowepark, *Suff.* 20.
Suthfeld *Norff.* 25.
Thurlaston *Warrewyk.* 7.
Walton *Suff.* 14.
Weston *Hertford.* 12.
Wytherlee *Leycestre.* 3b.

The following is the amount of the year's income, stated at f. 27b.

"La summe tole del heritage ma dame yceste an } M$^{l}$ M$^{l}$ Clxxij$^{li}$ xj$^{s}$ vij$^{d}$ ob q$^{a}$ dj q$^{a}$.

La summe tole sib'n de le feoffement come de la heritage } M$^{l}$ M$^{l}$ viij$^{c}$ xxxix$^{li}$ v$^{s}$ xj$^{d}$ ob q$^{a}$ dj q$^{a}$."

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" Particule denariorum receptorum mense Marcij hoc anno de finibus diversorum tenencium pro Gurgitibus suis marinis apud Herewicum et Baudeseye tenend' de D'na per antiquum redditum." f. 28.

Summa totalis—lj$^{li}$ xx$^{d}$.

## Extracts from the Registers of the Priory of Chacombe.

These are written by a different hand from the rest of the MS. and with different ink.

1. The following obituary of the Founder and Patrons of the Priory. f. 29$^{b}$.

" Nota . iij Non. Maij. Anno d'ni M°. CCC$^{mo}$. xxvij°. incipiente.

[De] Construccione domus de Chaucumbe. Cxlij Ann.

De obitu d'ni Hugonis de Chaucumbe fundatoris nostri. xiij kl. April. Cxvij.

De obitu d'ni Roberti de Chaucumbe Advocati nostri iij$^{tio}$ Non. April. lxxxx.

De obitu d'ni Stephani de Segrave primi. vij° Id. Se[p]-tembr. lxxxvj.

De obitu d'ni Gilberti de Segrave Advocati nostri. vj° Non. Octobr. lxxiij°.

De obitu d'ne Amabilie de Segrave uxoris ejusdem. xvij kl. Januar. lj°.

De obitu d'ni Nicholai de Segrave Advocati nostri. iiij° Idus Novembr. xxxiij.

De obitu d'ne Matild. de Segrave uxoris ejusdem. ij. Idus Nov. xxxv.

De Nativitate d'ni Johannis de Segrave filij d'ni Nicholai xiij. kl. Augusti. lxx.

De obitu ejusdem apud Bayonam in Wasconia kl. Septembr. ij°.

De Nativitate d'ni Stephani de Segrave filij predicti d'ni Johannis. xj° kl. Augusti xlvj°.

De obitu ejusdem apud Thame kl. Decembr. ij°.

De Nativitate Johannis de Segrave filij predicti d'ni Stephani. iiij. Non. Maij. xj°. A° d'ni M°. CCC$^{mo}$. xv°.

Nota quod kl. Maij A° d'ni Millesimo CCC$^{mo}$. lxv°. scripta est ista data. Adde cuilibet numero supradicto xxxvij. Annos.

Alesia de Segrave obiit vij idus Febr. Anno d'ni M$^{l}$ ccc xl° De eodem Anno Idus Sept' apud Breteby natus fuit Johannes filius d'ni Johannis de Segrave."

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2. The following account of the descendants of the Founder. f. 30.

"Portavit arma de argento cum iij scalis de rubeo more barrarum.

"D'ns Hugo de Anaf Miles veniens de Normannia tempore conquestus Prioratum de Chacombe fundavit. Et habuit uxorem nomine Amabiliam. De quibus Robertus de Chacombe Miles. heres ejus qui nuptus fuit Juliane de *et qui portavit arma de auro cum le chief de blodio et j baculum de rubeo colore.* De quibus Amabilia filia et heres predicti d'ni Roberti nupta d'no Gilberto de Segrave filio et heredi d'ni Stephani de Segrave et sic conflatum est nomen de Chacombe in Segrave. Et de ipsis Gilberto et Amabilia exivit filius et heres nomine d'ns Nicholaus qui nuptus fuit Matill' Lucy, de quibus d'ns Johannes de Segrave d'ns Nich. de Segrave d'ns Gilbertus *Galfridus* de Segrave. *et d'ns Petrus de Segrave et d'ns Gilbertus.* Et predictus d'ns Johannes nuptus fuit Christiane de Plecy, de quibus d'ns Stephanus de Segrave Elianora Kiryell *Margaret Alicia* et Christiana de Moon. Et predictus d'ns Stephanus nuptus fuit Alesie de Arundell, de quibus Edmundus qui obiit in cunis et Johannes *et Stephanus*, qui *quidem Johannes* nuptus fuit d'ne Margarete Brotherton, de quibus *Johannes de Segrave et Elizabeth, et predictus Johannes nuptus fuit Blanchee filie Johannis d'ni de Moubray. et obiit sine herede de se, et predicta Elizabeth nupta fuit Johanni de Moubray filio et heredi dicti Johannis de Moubray. de quibus. Johannes Moubray Comes Not' et Thomas Moubray frater ejus.*"

[The words printed in italics denote the additions made to the MS. by the same hand afterwards.]

3. Two short notes relating to the siege of Bedford in 1224, and to the issue of Paganus de Bello campo. f. 31.

4. The pedigree of Paganus de Bello campo. f. 31.

5. "Copia carte libere capelle super pontem de Bedford" per Simonem de Bello Campo concessa hospitali S. Joh. in Bedford. f. 31[b].

## Accounts of expenses under the following titles:

"En vyn," f. 34. "La summe to[le] de vin ach' yceste an—Cxxij[li]. ij[s]."

"En Espycerie Fruyt et Cire," f. 35. "La summe—Cx[li] xiiij[s] vj[d] ob."

"En divers Pisson," (poissons) f. 35[b]. "La summe to[le]—xxiij[li] xvij[s]. x[d] ob."

"Saucere." f. 36. "La summe—vij[li] v[s] viij[d]."

"Foreins." f. 36[b]. "La summe—lxxviij[s]. x[d]."

Note of the payment of xl[s] to two carpenters for repairing "le Mulle Brigge en Framlyngham" and Pynnyngbrigge, 26 Apr. anno 18. f. 38.

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## L.

A small quarto volume, containing 72 leaves, neatly written in the XVIth century.

A treatise on "the Order of a Kinges Chamber, and howe a Gentleman Hussher shoulde behave himself," by John Wogan.

This title is extracted from the conclusion of a short preface, which begins *For and in asmuche as many divers obscure and darke pointes be in service.* The author at first treats of general duties, and then discourses largely upon the special services at great festivals, particularly that of "Sainte George," which occupies more than half the volume, and contains a minute and curious narrative of the ceremonies at Greenwich, Richmond, and Windsor, in the 8th year of Henry VIII. (1516.)

The author's name is subscribed in three several places thus; f. 48, "Explicit Saterdaie q^d^ John Wogan de Baliston manu propria;" f. 58, "Explicit the first course q^d^ Wogan John;" f. 59, "Explicit the Seconde Course q^d^ John Wogan."

## LI.

A small quarto volume containing two MSS. upon paper.

The First was written in the XVth century, and formerly consisted of 92 leaves; the ancient numbers, which reach to lvj, show that the first 13 leaves have been lost.

This MS. was the private memorandum book of Roger Machado, Norroy King of Arms in the latter part of the fifteenth century, and contains the following curious articles.

1 An account of the Funeral of King Edward IV. beginning abruptly thus, "les Sñrs ch'un selon son degre. Et la messe ainsy dicte," at f. xiiij.

The mutilated state of this article is to be lamented, as the writer seems to have been an eye-witness, and what

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remains is far more interesting than the English Ceremonial, printed in the Archæologia, vol. i. p. 348—355.

2 "La entreye du treshault et tresexcelent e puischant prince le Roy Eduard le V^me^ filz au noble Roy Eduarde le iiij en la cite de Londres en lan de grace 1482 le 2 Jo^r^ de May." f. xviij.

This is the title to an intended narrative, of which only the words *Et en primjs* were ever written.

3 "Lestoffaige de mon hostel an° 1484." f. xix.

A short inventory of linen and goods.

4 Account of wines imported "a° 1484" in an adventure with "Johan Piriz de Bischaia" and "Johan de Meulemestre;" written in Spanish. f. xxj.

This account is dated ten years earlier than the licence to import Gascon wines to any part of France, Spain, or Britain, granted to John Meautis and Machado by Henry VII. in 1494.

See Noble's College of Arms, p. 111.

5 Accounts (in Spanish and French) of money due to Johan de Meullemester; 1484. f. xxvj.

6 Memorandum of having received of the same person 8 pounds for his share of the profit, 28 Jan. 1484. f. xxvij.

7 Five notes of expenses of journeys made to Ghent and Bruges for the marquis of Dorset in 1485. f. xxviij.

8 Journal of an Embassy to Spain and Portugal, by "Richemond Roy d'Armes de Norrey," who accompanied Dr. Thomas Salvaige and Sir Richard Nanfan the Ambassadors. f. xxix.

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This original document begins thus: "M^d que le Roy Hanry dangleterre et de france et S^r dirlande le vij^me de son non amvoya vne embassade en espaingne et en portugall, le quatrisme an de son Reigne En lan de grace 1488 le xxj^me jo^r de Decembre." The two special objects of this embassy were to take the Order of the Garter to the King of Portugal, and to treat for the marriage of the Princess Katharine, daughter of the King of Spain, for Prince Arthur. The two commissions are in Rymer, vol. xii. p. 351—5, bearing date Westminster, 11 Dec. 1488. The author ends his journal "Et ainsy fis fin de ma Jo^rnee celluj Jo^r le xxviij^me de Jullet." f. 68.

9 Journal of an Embassy to the Marischall of Bretaigne "an 149[0] le xij^me Jo^r de Juin le v^me an du Reigne du Roy Hainry le vij^me Dangleterre de se non." f. 69.

It begins "M^d que le Roy n're souverayn S'n'r amvoya mis^r Robert Cliffort ch'lr de la garde de la personne du Roy et Richmond Roy Darmes de norrey," etc. The envoys returned on the 7th of August, when Richmond was dispatched back again immediately.

10 Journal of Richmond's second mission to the Marischall of Bretaigne, "an° 149"[0]. f. 78.

"M^d que le Roy mon souverain S^r Hanri le vij^me de son nom manvoia de rechief en bertaigne cestuj mesme an devant escript le ix^me Jour Daugust." etc. At the end is an account of "les dons que po^r lors me furent donnes po^r lonneur du Roy mon mester." f. 87^b. The final sentence appears to be unfinished, (f. 88,) and the three last leaves are blank.

The Second MS. in this volume is written upon 92 leaves, entirely in the hand of John Stowe. Between these two MSS. is a fragment consisting of 2 leaves written in the XVth century, from some devotional work in Latin.

"Thomas Wolsey, late Cardinall intituled of S. Cicile trans Tiberim presbiter, and Lord Chauncelar of England, his lyfe and deathe,

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compiled by George Cavendishe, his gentleman vssher."

This work has been erroneously attributed to Sir William Cavendish in the printed copies previous to Mr. Singer's excellent edition, which was transcribed "from the original autograph manuscript" in the possession of Mr. Lloyd. The Rev. Jos. Hunter, in his dissertation prefixed to that edition, has extracted what he considers the original title, as given above from the present MS. (p. 41.)

## LII.

"The History of James, of Scotland the Sixth, and of England the First."

## LIII.

A large folio volume, containing 22 leaves of parchment, very fairly written about the close of the XVth century.

An Historical Pedigree from the Creation of the World: shewing the descent from Adam through the Patriarchs and Kings of Israel; through Dardanus to the British Kings, and through Woden to King Alfred; with accompanying illustrative passages in English.

The first paragraph begins *In principio Creauit deus Celum et terram. that is to say that at the begynnyng of the worlde* etc. f. 1[b]. The first passages on f. 2[b] begin *Consideryng the lengthe and the hardnes of holy scripture and namely of the lettyr historiall*; and, *Adam was made in Damascene felde by the hande of God.* This work appears to have been left unfinished, and was perhaps intended to have been continued unto the then reigning prince: it contains many beautiful drawings.

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## LIV.

A small folio volume, bound in purple velvet, containing 64 leaves of paper, and fairly written.

### Proceedings in the Court of Chivalry held in the Painted Chamber at Westminster, on the case of Appeal between Donald Lord Reay and Sir David Ramsey charged by him with High Treason: from 27 Nov. 1631, to 12 May 1632.

Prefixed to the volume, on a page of vellum, the arms of the High Constable, the Earl Marshal, and other great officers who attended the Court, are emblazoned. (f. 1.) Among the various documents recited at length, are the following:

Letters Patent granting the office of High Constable (then vacant) to Robert Earl of Lindsey for that occasion, (24 Nov. 7 Car. 1.) f. 2b.

Lord Reay's Appeal, containing the treasonable words spoken by Ramsey on board Reay's ship in the port of Elseneb in Sweden, 1630; with the challenge. f. 4b.

After the court had pronounced sentence, and the parties were prepared for combat in Tuthill fields, the King remanded both to the Tower, and ordered them to find bail to keep the peace.

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The MS. XXVI. p. 37, has been erroneously described as one of the Norfolk MSS. a mistake occasioned by the circumstance that when some of these MSS. were rebound a few years ago, that MS. containing a copy of the Ancient Statutes of the Garter in French, and several other articles, (formerly the property of Garter Wrythe or Wriothesley,) was lettered "N° 26" in mistake for the present volume, which had been misplaced, and was not identified until after the sheet containing the article so numbered in

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this Catalogue had been printed. The Arundel number "171" on the first leaf, establishes the fact that the following MS. should be substituted in the place of that so described in p. 37.

## XXVI.

A small quarto volume, containing 32 leaves of parchment.

"The STATUTES and ORDINANCES of the most noble order of S^ct George namid the GARTER, reformid explainid declarid and renewed, by the most highe, most excellent, and most puyssant prynce HENRY TH'EIGHT, by the grace of God Kynge of England and of France, Defender of the faythe, Lord of Ireland, etc."

From the armorial bearings emblazoned on f. 2, this copy appears to have belonged to Walter Devereux, Earl of Essex. (1571—6.) The last appendix to the statutes is the ordinance made "30 Januarij an° 1° regine Elizabethe, apud Turr. London." f. 30.

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# APPENDIX.



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## The following MANUSCRIPTS, though placed in the same Press with the NORFOLK COLLECTION, are not part of the Donation of HENRY DUKE of NORFOLK.

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### LV.

A small octavo volume in wooden covers, containing 94 leaves of parchment, and written in the reign of Edward III.

Registrum Brevium secundum usum Cancellariæ.

The first title is "Breve de Recto;" the volume ends with this colophon, "Explicit registerium de vsu Cancellar." On a vacant leaf at the beginning is tricked a curious knot, with the motto "Sit Deus in nobis, et nos maneamus in ipso," by a hand of the time of Henry VIII.

### LVI.

A small duodecimo volume, in wooden covers, containing 251 leaves of vellum, neatly written and illuminated, between 1340 and 1350.

1 Calendarium. f. 1.

The obit of "R. de Bradeford" is noted on Dec. 21.

2 "Statuta in hoc volumine contenta" nominatim recensita. f. 7.

3 "Capitula Magne Carte," ac diversorum Statutorum. f. 8.



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## 4 Collectio Statutorum, ad annum 14 Edw. III.

1. Magna Carta R. Edwardi primi de libertatibus Angliæ, anno 28. f. 23.
2. Ejusdem Carta de Foresta. f. 29$^{b}$.
3. Sententia super cartas, An. 1254. f. 33.
4. Articuli super cartas. f. 34.
5. Additiones de Foresta. f. 42.
6. Statutum Mertonense. f. 44$^{b}$.
7. ——— Marlebergense. f. 48$^{b}$.
8. ——— Gloucestrense. f. 58. Cum epilogo *Postmodum*. f. 63.
9. Statutum Westmon. primum. f. 63$^{b}$.
10. ——— Westmon. secundum. f. 84$^{b}$.
11. ——— De emptoribus terrarum. f. 123$^{b}$.
12. ——— De Religiosis. f. 124$^{b}$.
13. ——— Wintoniense. f. 125$^{b}$.
14. ——— De Mercatoribus. f. 129.
15. ——— De Finibus. f. 132$^{b}$.
16. ——— De conjunctim feoffatis. f. 135.
17. ——— De bigamis. 137$^{b}$.
18. Prerogativa Regis. f. 139.
19. "Novi articuli." (sic f. 7, sed non comparet in codice.)
20. Articuli contra prohibitionem. f. 142$^{b}$.
21. Statutum Eboracense. f. 147$^{b}$.
22. ——— Lincolniense de Escaetoribus. f. 150$^{b}$.
23. ——— ——— Vicecomitibus. f. 152$^{b}$.
24. ——— De juratis ponendis in assisa. f. 153$^{b}$.
25. ——— De præsentibus vocatis ad warant. f. 154$^{b}$.
26. ——— Quo Warranto primum. f. 155$^{b}$.
27. ——— Quo Warranto secundum. f. 157.
28. ——— De Scaccario. f. 158.
29. "Districciones eorundem." f. 162.
30. Officium Coronatorum. f. 163.
31. Assisa panis. f. 169.
32. Lucrum Pistoris. ib.
33. "Assisa Servisie cum eorum pena." f. 169$^{b}$.
34. "Assisa panis secundum quod continetur in Marescal." f. 170.
35. "Inquis. super assisa in Marescalcia." f. 171$^{b}$.
36. Composicio monete. f. 172$^{b}$.
37. Extenta Maneriorum. f. 173.
38. Inquis. ad visum. f. 174.

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39. Alius modus inquirendi ad visum. f. 175.
40. Inquis. de Nativis. f. 175$^{b}$.
41. Dies communes in Banco. f. 176.
42. Dies communes in Dote. f. 176$^{b}$.
43. Modus faciendi homagium. f. 177.
44. De manu opere. f. 177$^{b}$.
45. De amensuracione terre. f. 180.
46. Ordinale compoti de Wolveseye. f. 183.

[Thus far the numbers correspond with those in the index, f. 7, whence most of the above titles have been taken: what follow are there entitled "Statut' edit' tempore R. E. t'cij;" but the numbers are different, as three articles were there omitted.]

47. Statutum *Al honur de Dieu.* 1 Edw. 3. f. 195.
48. ——— *Come Hugh le Despenser.* f. 199.
49. ——— Norhampton. 2 Edw. 3. f. 204$^{b}$.
50. ——— Westm. quartum. 4 Edw. 3. f. 211.
51. ——— Westm. quintum. 5 Edw. 3. f. 217$^{b}$.
52. "Breve de Sententia fulminanda.—*Rex venerabili in Christo patri S.*" 8 Edw. 3. f. 223$^{b}$.
53. Statutum Eboracense. 9 Edw. 3. f. 225.
54. ——— de Moneta. 9 Edw. 3. f. 229$^{b}$.
55. ——— *Al honur de Dieu.* 14 Edw. 3. f. 232.
56. Statutum de Stapula. 6 Edw. 3. f. 246$^{b}$.

5 Notes on the limitation of writs with respect to time past, ordained by several statutes of Hen. III. and Edw. I. f. 250.

This last article, in Latin and French, was written about the year 1422, in a neat hand. It begins *Memorand. d'ns Rex E. primus.*

## LVII.

A large folio volume, containing 175 leaves of parchment; written in double columns, in a good hand, towards the end of the XIVth century; the capitals are illuminated.

1 CURSOR MUNDI, or *Cours of this world;* a large poem on the Scripture History, interspersed with legends; translated from the French. f. 1.

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The first leaf having been cut out, this copy begins near the middle of the prologue:

Siththe hit shal be rad ghow thanne
Of Joachym and of seynt Anne.

Warton has given some extracts from the prologue (vol. i. p. 127, 8vo edit.) out of Abp. Laud's MS. in the Bodleian Library, (now numbered 416,) which is entitled "Here begynnyth the boke of storius called Cursor mundi." The Fairfax MS. N° 14, (in the same Library) begins thus,

*This is the best boke of alle*
*The cours of the werlde men dos hit calle.*
Men covettes rimes for to here, (&c.)

Both the Bodleian MSS. are of the XVth century, and the Fairfax MS. is written in a Northern dialect, in which the work is presumed, from the antiquity of the Cottonian MS. Vespas. A. III. to have been originally composed. The last-mentioned MS. has no title and very few rubrics; it begins *Man yhernes rimes for to here*, and like the Fairfax copy contains several poems, apparently designed as appendages to the larger work, which are not in the Laudian copy nor the present, these being written in the Southern dialect. The following passages are extracted from the end of the curious prologue:

This ilke book is translate
In to englisshe tonge to rede
For the love of englisshe lede
For comune folke of engelonde
Shulde the better hit undirstonde.

Now of this prolouge wole we blynne
In crystes nome oure book bygynne
*Cours of this world** men shul hit calle
For almeest hit *reherseth*† alle
Take we oure bigynnyinge than
At hym that al this world bi gan.

The work then begins, with a couplet in rubric, as is usual in this MS.

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* Cursur o werld, *Cott.* Cursor of the werlde, *Fairf.*

† Overrennes, *Cott.* Overrynnys, *Fairf.*

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*Hereth now of the trynite dere*
*And of the makyng of this world here.*
Alle men owe that lord to drede, (etc.)

One part of this work is written in Alexandrine verses, beginning "*Off the passioun speke we here*, (etc.) Jhesus went toward Jerusalem, goynge upon his fete." (f. 87[d]—100[b].) See Vesp. A. III. f. 82. The conclusion of the present MS. agrees with the Laudian copy: these are the last lines, f. 132[c].

"He ghyve us grace so to acounte
That we may to heven mounte
That sprad was on an harde tre
Nailed naked theronne to be
Oure fadir maker of alle thing
That nevir shal have endyng.
A M E N."

2 Richard of Hampole's *Prykke of Conscience*; a religious poem in seven parts. f. 133.

The first five leaves having been cut out, very little of the first part is contained in this copy; it begins, *Ghit ben ther moo then I have tolde*, and ends on the fourth column with the following lines.

Here may men se as writen es
Michel of monnes wrecchednes
And myche more ghitt mighte men telle
But theronne wol I no lengur dwelle
For forthermore now wol I loke
To the *secounde part* of this boke
In whiche ther is undirstondyng
Of the world and worldly thing.

This poem is too well known to need any other than a reference to the works of Warton and Ritson for a full account of it.

The present MS. is defective at the end also, these being the last lines, f. 175[d].

"There shall uche man als wel knowe othere
As here doth any his sister or brothere
And knowe."

The two last words are catchwords.

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## LVIII.

A very large folio volume, written in the XVth century, and ornamented with illuminated capitals. The margins contain many notes, probably by John Weever the antiquary, to whom the MS. belonged, though before it was in his possession it had been greatly mutilated, many leaves having been cut out, and others deprived of their margins. The numbers now used run to 342, as the ancient foliation extended only from f. 5 to 107, the latter being marked "fo. Cxii ij."

A History of England, consisting of the metrical chronicle of ROBERT OF GLOUCESTER remodelled and interpolated, and enlarged with copious prose additions from the *Brute* Chronicle, from Geoffrey of Monmouth, William of Malmesbury, and other ancient historians: brought down to the year 1332.

"Robert of Gloucester's Chronicle," published by Hearne, is exceedingly valuable, though printed from a copy inferior to the Cottonian MS. Caligula A. xi. This MS. was sent to Oxford in 1724, and collated with the text of the Harleian MS. 201, its principal variations being given by Hearne in his notes: they are useful in explaining the obscure words and phrases of the older copy. But Hearne did not avail himself of the whole of this volume: its contents are too various to be described under a general title, and being but slightly described in his long preface, (p. lii —lv, and lxxix—lxxxiv,) the following summary of them is here given.

On four leaves not numbered, is written, a Collection of Synonyms: one leaf being lost, the first words are "teriowrs under the growne sesyn the Foxe and the grey. A hunte hath caste of a cople of aloundys." The other paragraphs begin, "There longyth .iij. hawkys to an Emprowre.—There buth haukes of the towre.—Thes beth names of dyverse Wynys.—A herde of Hertys. (See Harl. 541, f. 225.)—There beth Fowre bestys of Fenery.—There beth grehoundys."

"The tabile offe cronycul offe Engelonde fro quene Albion the furste erthely creature that entriede in to this

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londe yn to kyng Richard the Secunde.—[T]*he Ferste ether erthely creature.*" f. 1.

The page bearing this rubric title is a chronological compendium of the following work, and ends with this rubric:

"This tabel kalender of ordre plennarly knowlich Foluyng w^t a boke offe the Ful Text. All so [f. 1^b.] A petegreu Fro William conquero^r of the Crowne of Engelonde lynnyally descendyng un to kyng Henr' the vj in the end of thys boke lymned in Fygurs. Thys boke w^t hys Antecedens and consequens was ful Ended the vj day offe August the ghere of oure lorde a *M^l CCCC. xlviij* And the yere of oure soverayn lorde kyng Harry the vj affter the conquest the xxvj.

Albyon . . . Folio j°.
*Brutannia insularum optima*
*The fyrst' lordes and Maysters.* } Folio ij°."

In this manner the *Kalender* begins; it is an Index to contents of the volume, but not extending beyond "fo. Ciiij." If Hearne had read the first page, he could not have copied only such part of the above rubric as occurs on the reverse of the leaf, and call it a *Memorandum*. Pref. p. liii—liv.

"Here a man may hure how yngelonde was y cleped Albyon and by wham hit receyved the name.—*In the noble londe of Syrye.*" f. 5.

This article ends "and ther conquered he the gyauntis byfore yseyde. Here endith the prologe of the yle of Albyon." It is a translation of the metrical prologue to the French *Brute* Chronicle, (described at p. 58,) different from the English text in the MS. N° VIII. yet only as one translation differs from another. The original of this legend seems to be the little tract, *De origine gigantum in insula Albion*, whereof copies are in the Cottonian MSS. Nero D. VIII, f. 186^b. Vesp. E. x, f. 390^b. Cleop. D. VIII, f. 3^b. Titus A. XIX, f. 103.

The text of Robert of Gloucester's chronicle, to the death of Arthur. "Britannia Insularum optima. *Engelond is a wel good lond: y wene lond best.*" f. 6^b.—Hearne, p. 1—223, who observes at the end, "Desunt hic bina folia."

A fragment of the prophecy of Merlin, in prose: . . . *and shal the dragon and he bynde hure tailes to gedre.* f. 76.

The metrical text with prose interpolations, from "Con-

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stantyn" to the end of the British story. f. 76.—Hearne, p. 224—256.

Geoffrey of Monmouth's epilogue, in English. *These Walysshe men.* f. 87.

For the last eight lines of the paragraph on p. 257 of Hearne's text, the six following are substituted in the MS. f. 87$^{b}$.

Of thes ilke reaumes, of kynges a rewe
Now *in prose* afturward, I thenke the to shewe
And bycause Englisshe men, ferst come in *Kent*
Withe Hengist, of hem telle, ferst y have ment
Furst the *kynges names*, sett bethe a rewe
And of hure liffes afterward, me may somwhat shewe.

Hearne observes in this place, "Perplura hic occurrunt in Cod. Ar. oratione soluta concepta, in quo tamen codice desunt cuncta metra usque ad Edwardi, Ælfredi Magni filii, regnum:" there are however five pieces of "ryme" inserted in this part of the prose, which extends from 87$^{c}$—127$^{d}$. The metre is then resumed, *Edward the veil his sone. kyng was maked tho.* (Hearne, p. 267.) The prose occupying this interval is a very respectable compilation from various *croniculers;* Gildas, Tryvet, Geffray Monnemouthe, Jordanes, and the Frensshe stories, are quoted on one leaf, f. 123. The work of William of Malmesbury, the last of these, appears to be "the latyn story," often cited, which among other materials furnished copies of Edbald's and Ethelwulf's charters to holy church, f. 100$^{b}$ and 122$^{c}$, of the rescript of Pope Leo to the church of Canterbury, f. 101$^{c}$, and of Kenulf's letter to the same pope, f. 117$^{b}$, with many similar documents. The rest of the Anglo Saxon history is compiled in like manner, but the whole of "the Englysshe geste in Ryme" is incorporated with the prose. The passage about "Brightric," f. 120, has been printed by Hearne in his Langtoft, p. 12—13. The leaves 107—8 and 125—6 have been transposed.

After the metrical history of Edward the Confessor and Q. Emma, which is written very confusedly in this copy, compared with the printed text, there begins a chapter headed "Rolle," of which Hearne says, "Hic perplura prosaice habentur in Ar. haud paucis nimirum metris prætermissis." (p. 356.) The running title is "William Conqueroure," and the prose begins, *Rolle a noble Prince of the contre of Denemarche.* f. 170$^{b}$.

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"Ryme. *Kyng William of this londe toke hostages at his wille.*" f. 185.—Hearne, p. 367. The prose passage inserted at f. 186$^{b}$, is printed at p. 372—3.

"Prose. *Hit is to remembre that the Kyngus body as the Latyn Cronicles tellen,*" etc. f. 189. "Cognomina conquisitorum Anglie cum D'no Will'mo Normannie et conquestoris Anglie. Anno D'ni Millesimo sexagesimo sexto.—*Bastard. Boynard. Brassard.*" f. 191$^{b}$.

"William Rous.—*William the Rous the sone of William the Conqueroure.*" f. 192. The passage ends at f. 193$^{b}$ in these words; "This historie of Kyng Will. Rous hederto thus is j write in *Prose* aftur the *latyn* by cause of the names of the gentiles of olde tyme, and other thyngus here on is more plenner thanne in the *Ryme*. And her now see hit in *Ryme* aftur the *Englysshe Bruyt*. that some men lusteth better to hure than Prose.—Ryme. *Of his fader dethe. he let him crowne kyng.*" Hearne, p. 383. A prose interpolation is inserted between lines 14 and 15 of p. 388, at f. 195—198$^{c}$, and the remaining passages of the text in this reign are transposed. The beginning of the prose history of the first crusade, f. 201$^{b}$—5$^{c}$, is given by Hearne, p. 419.

"Henr' the ferst. y clepud Beaucler'. *Henry William Brother Rous youngest of the three.*" f. 212$^{b}$. Hearne, p. 420. This editor has extracted some of the prose passages which are inserted between the dismembered parcels of the text.

"Steph' Bleys. *In the yere of oure Lorde M$^{l}$ Cxxxvj$^{o}$.*" f. 219$^{b}$. Hearne has printed this introduction, p. 444—5, the "Prose more plennere of the same mater," interpolated into the *Ryme*, f. 221$^{b}$. and some other specimens.

"Henr' filz Emperice. *In the yere of oure Lorde M$^{l}$ Cliiij.*" f. 229$^{b}$. Several extracts are printed from this long history by Hearne, p. 481—4. The *Ryme* begins at f. 246, *Henr' the Emperice sone tho Kyng Steph. dede lay*; Hearne, p. 467. The story of the martyrdom of Thomas Beket is left out, and there is a large prose interpolation between lines 12 and 13 of p. 479 of Hearne's text.

"Richard Erle of Pictauencium. *succeded in his Fader's lordshipe,*" etc. f. 250$^{b}$. This prose passage forms an introduction to the metrical history of K. Richard I., not that by Robert of Gloucester, but the poem referred to by that author, p. 487,

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Me ne mai noght al telle her, ac wo so it wole wite
In *romance* of him imad me it may finde iwrite.

Hearne observes upon these lines, "Ejusmodi quidem *narrationem fictam* (sive *Romance*) satis prolixam habemus in Cod. Ar. in quo tamen reliqua omnia, ad Richardi primi regnum pertinentia, desiderantur." The compiler of the present MS. seems to have taken the same liberties with the ROMANCE OF RICHARD CŒUR DE LION, as with Robert of Gloucester's chronicle: for the variations from the text printed in Weber's Metrical Romances, (vol. ii. p. 1—278,) are very extensive. The first leaf having been cut out, this copy begins abruptly, and is so different from the printed text as not to correspond with it until the last couplet of the following extract, which is v. 427—8 of Weber's text.

This was the ferst tyme I yow plighte
That K. Ric. preved his myght
And of his strenthe he had gode game
And wente home a Goddes name
In to the Castelle by a derne way
That no man ne knewe hym that day
He un armed him seker thou be
Now of the knyghtes speke we
And of the Jostes that was that day
And how they passed than away
They comaunded hastely
The heraudes to make a cry, (*etc.* f. 252.)

Hearne imagined Robert Mannyng of Brunne to be the author, (see his pref. p. lv—lviii.;) yet, as Warton has observed, the poem is frequently referred to by that author. (Vol. i. p. 123, et seq. octavo ed.) This copy is mutilated at the end, yet contains more than the ordinary Romance, as it reaches to the death of its hero, and may perhaps have been so continued by the compiler of the MS. who appears to have been equal to such a task. The last column (for half the leaf now marked 275[e] has been cut off) is twice interpolated with prose, and ends thus;

And with inne a litel tide
In to the Castel he gan ryde
And sloghe bifore and byhinde
That he myghte to fore hym fynde
And evere byleved the quarelle
Stikyng faste in his sheldere

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Prose ¶ And when the kyng sey, that he was
in perile of deth, he let of sende .iij. Abbotes of Cisteaux ordre . that is of grey . . . .

A prose history of *John the yonger sone of Henr' the ij^de Kyng of Angles*, (f. 276,) thus introduces the *Ryme*, f. 278^b. "And for as myche as in the *Englys storye* is rymed for the more comfort to reders and hurers *John Kyng Ric. his brother after his brotheres dethe*." Hearne, p. 491. The *Prose* is resumed at f. 284, from the conclusion of which Hearne has made an extract, p. 512—3.

"Kyng Henri iij^de. *Henry Johnnys sone*," etc. f. 288^c. The *Ryme* begins at f. 300^d. *Henr' was thoo Kyng j made after his Fader John.* Hearne, p. 513; see his note concerning the extent of the metrical text of this MS. p. 519, where he has given some curious extracts from the last mentioned prose, not from that which next follows, beginning *And in that yere was seynt Thomas of Cauntelbury j translated*, f. 302^b—3^d.

The last considerable historical part of this MS. is a chronicle of the reigns of the three Edwards, altogether different from the old English *Brute* Chronicle, and much more copious. The reign of Edward I. occupies 25 chapters, each having a rubric title; the first begins: "The prophecy of Merlyn thus is exponyd of this Kyng Henry the sone of Kyng John. *Of this Kyng Henry Merlyn prophecied and seyde*." f. 304. At the end of the other reigns is a chapter on the same subject; Edward II.'s comprises 24 chapters, and the next reign 11. The history reaches only to the battle of Halidown-hill in 1332, of which a long account is given; the concluding passage may be read in Hearne's preface, p. lxxxiii—iv, with 22 lines of the same metre as the Romance of Richard, which, if they have not been taken from a larger poem, may be considered the composition of the compiler of this volume. The two last of these lines are, "And thus the Scottes discomfytyd were, In lytil tyme with gret fere." f. 334^d.

The next page contains a list of the kings before the conquest, beginning *Arthurus inclitus Rex Britonum regnavit annis xx. Glaston. honorifice tumulatur.* It forms an introduction to the—

"Petegreu fro William Conquerour, of the Crowne of Engelonde, lynyally descendyng, un to King Henry the vj." (See above, p. 105.) This article has been described by

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Hearne, pref. p. iv, and printed at length in his appendix, p. 585—595. A more genuine copy of these verses on the kings, is contained in the Cottonian MS. Julius E. IV. f. 1—8, which has, with great probability, been ascribed to Lydgate. The full-length portraitures of the kings are painted on the plain vellum in that MS. but are in the form of medallions in the present copy. f. 335—342. The line of the pedigree runs from page to page, each one containing a picture and a piece of poetry.

## LIX.

A quarto volume, in the original covers of wood and leather, containing 171 leaves of parchment, neatly written and ornamented, in the reign of Henry VI.

### REGISTRUM CARTARUM PRIORATUS TUTTEBURIENSIS ORDINIS BENEDICTINORUM.

"Ordinatus est iste liber serviturus per dominum THOMAM GEDNEY Priorem in Monasterio beate Marie de TUTTEBUR' in comitatu Staffordie Coventrensis ac Lichefeldensis diocisis Et si quis alienaverit anathema sit faucibus illius necnon Indignacio Apostolorum et omnium sanctorum quousque satisfaciat et illic reddatur. fiat fiat."

The above title occurs at f. 144$^{b}$. in six lines, alternately black and red. On three spare leaves before the commencement of the chartulary are written the following articles, by different hands.

"M$^{d}$· of all the landes that the Prior of Tuttbury hathe of Thomas Qwerneby of Merston in change for all the landes and Medue—lying in his cloce called Banholme," etc. 21 Hen. 6. f. ij.

"Dalbury. These be flattes of the demaynes lying in wode felde wherof the Monastery of Tuttbury hathe the ij partes of tythe." f. ij$^{b}$.

"M$^{d}$ q$^{d}$ Will'ms Whyte serviens dompni Will'i Coventre Prioris—recepit de Joh'e Smyth de Yerdley Gybon iiij$^{s}$." 21 Edw. 4. f. iij.

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"Item est ib'm quedam consuetudo quod histriones" *etc.* Printed with the Charter to the Minstrels (f. 157$^{b}$,) in the Monasticon.

An Index of the titles of the Instruments contained in the volume, cccxxix in number, and written by the same hand; f. x—xv.

On f. xvj is written a long note, whereby it appears that on—"July y$^{e}$ third: Anno Dñi: 1710, This Booke was Given to y$^{e}$ Corporation of the Kings Heraults and Pursivants of Armes att London, by Michael Burton of Wirkesworth." The text of the volume begins on the following leaf.

The titles of the instruments in the subjoined enumeration, are not copied from the Index or the rubrics, except where they are sufficiently comprehensive.

## Privilegia summorum Pontificum, sc.

1. Alexandri III. A.D. 1162. f. 17.
2. Honorii (III?) a° 5. pro ecclesia de Matherfeld. f. 18.
3. Gregorii (IX?) pro eadem. f. 18$^{b}$.
4. Gregorii (IX?) Sententia contra Rectorem eccl. de Duffeld.
5. Innocentii III. de exemptione novalium, a° 5. f. 19.

## Privilegia Episcoporum, etc.

6. Theobaldi Cantuar. Archiepiscopi, contra detentores decimarum.
7. Ricardi Cant. Archiep. contra eosdem. f. 19$^{b}$.
8. Ejusdem confirmatio super possessionibus ceterisque beneficiis ecclesiæ Tuttesbir. f. 20.
9. Thomæ Cant. Archiep. pro decimis dominicorum. f. 20$^{b}$.
10. Rogeri Cestrensis super eccl. de Merston.
11. Ricardi Coventr. pro vicaria eccl. Tuttesbir.
12. Roberti Lincoln. pro ecclesiis de Wimundeham Stapelford et Torp. f. 21.
13. Henrici Coventr. pro pensione eccl. de Matherfeld.
14. Willielmi Coventr. pro eadem eccl. f. 21$^{b}$.
15. Galfridi Coventr. prioris, pro eadem eccl.
16. R. Coventr. et Lichf. episcopi, confirmatio pro decem libris annuatim de ecclesia Duffeld percipiendis. 1253. f. 22.
17. Willielmi decani Lichf. confirmatio de eisdem. f. 23.
18. Aliud exemplar. f. 24$^{b}$.

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19. Rogeri Cov. et Lichf. episcopi pro appropriatione eccl. de Matherfeld. 1253. f. 25$^{b}$.

20. W. decani Lich. confirmatio de eadem. f. 26.

21. Rogeri Cov. et Lich. ep. Ordinatio vicariæ de Matherfeld, 1254. f. 27.

22. Ejusdem de x libris et viij sol. de ecclesia de Croxale.

23. Herberti Sarum ep. pro decimis de Stanford. f. 28.

24. Willielmi Coventr. pro eccl. de Matherfeld. f. 28$^{b}$.

25. Roberti Lincoln. pro decimis eccl. de Stapilford, Wimundeham et Torp.

26. Willielmi Lincoln. pro iij marcis de eccl. de Stapilford. f. 29.

27. R. Sarum. pro decimis de Stanford.

28. Ricardi Cantuar. archiep. pro eisdem. f. 29$^{b}$.

29. Galfridi Coventr. pro v marcis de eccl. de Matherfeld.

30. Ejusdem confirmatio super ecclesiis et decimis diversis.

31. Ejusdem pro ij solidis de eccl. de Merston.

32. Alexandri Coventr. et Lich. confirmatio pro decima de Hertindon. f. 30$^{b}$.

33. Ricardi Coventr. contra occupatores et detentores decimarum. f. 31.

34. Aliud exemplar. f. 31$^{b}$.

36. Henrici Coventr. pro admissione Henr. de London in eccl. de Matherfeld.

37. Executio sententiæ in art. 4. f. 32.

38. Galfridi prioris Coventr. confirmatio cartæ Galfridi ep. Cov.

39. Rogeri Cov. et Lich. ep. pro vicaria Tuttesbir. f. 33.

40. Alexandri Cov. et Lich. pro ij sol. de eccl. de Merston. f. 33$^{b}$.

41. Roberti Sarum ep. confirmatio compositionis de xv sol. de Fifhulde, 1245.

42. Eadem compositio. f. 34$^{b}$.

43. Roberti Lincoln. de eccl. de Wimundeham. f. 35$^{b}$.

44. Compositio de pensione eccl. de Kyrkebroughton. 1401.

45. Eugenii Papæ sententia contra raptores possessionum, 1438. f. 36.

46. Prolatio ejusdem sententiæ, 1443. f. 36$^{b}$.

47. Compositio inter Joh' Abbatem de Welbek et Tho-

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mam Priorem de Tuttesbury super decimis de Etwalle. 20 Hen. 6. f. 38.

48. Compositio inter Thomam pr. de Tutt. et Stephanum pr. de Trentham, super decimis diversis. 1447. f. 39.

49. Placitum inter eosdem super decimis, 26 Hen. 6. "Rot. cccxxv. Staff." f. 40$^{b}$.

50. Ordinatio Vicariæ de Kyrkebroughton, per Johannem Cov. et Lich. episc. 1403. f. 42$^{b}$.

## Cartæ Fundatorum.

51. "Prima fundatio ecclesie Tuttesbur." per Henricum de Ferrariis, A.D. 1080. f. 43$^{b}$.

52. "Incipiunt carte Comitum Tuttesbir' in quibus continentur donationes et confirmationes Monasterij Tuttebur. —Carta Roberti Comitis Junioris de Ferr." f. 44.

53. Will'mi Comitis de Ferrar'. f. 46.

54. Ejusdem super duabus partibus decimarum in Stanford.

55. Aliud exemplar. f. 46$^{b}$.

56. Will'mi de Ferr' Comitis Derbeye.

57. Will'mi Comitis de Ferr' filii Will'i Com. de Ferr' super foresta de Duffeld. f. 47.

58. Will'mi Comitis de Ferr' super vivario de Stanford.

59. Will'mi de Ferr' Comitis Derbeie super decimis de Hertindon et Merston. f. 47$^{b}$.

60. Ejusdem super ecclesiis de Torp, Wymundeham, Stapilford et Coston.

61. Ejusdem super xii acris in Apecroft. f. 48.

62. R. Comitis de Ferr' pro villa de Neutona.

63. Will'mi Com. de Ferr' dantis Henricum filium Galfridi de Stanford. f. 48$^{b}$.

64. Ejusdem super iiij acris in Sotuhulde.

65. Ejusdem confirmatio super donationibus antecessorum suorum.

66. Will'mi de Ferr' Com. Derb. super ij mesuagiis in Croudecote et Heyegge. f. 49.

67. Will'mi Com. de Ferr' de virgulto sub Castello Tuttesbir. f. 49$^{b}$.

68. W. de Ferr' super ecclesiis supranominatis.

69. Will'mi Com. de Ferr' super eisdem.

70. Roberti Comitis Junioris de Notingham. f. 50.

71. Ejusdem, carta curiosa, 1141. f. 50$^{b}$.

72. R. Comitis de Ferr' super molendino de Duffeld.



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73. Will'mi de Ferr' Com. Derbeye super iij acris in Atgareslega. f. 51.

74. Roberti Comitis de Notingham super iiij libris de firma de Stapelford.

75. Will'mi Comitis de Ferr' filii Will'mi Com. de Ferr' super decimis forestæ de Nedewode. f. 51$^{b}$.

76. "R. Consul Junior Tuttesbir" de domo "in novo burgo nostro."

77. Roberti Com. de Ferr' de alia domo in Tuttesburia. f. 52.

78. Will'mi Com. de Ferr' de donis diversis.

79. Will'mi de Ferr' Com. Derbeye super Ermitagio de Adgareslega. f. 52$^{b}$.

80. Ejusdem super villa de Thorinhul.

81. Ejusdem pro decimis de Stanford. f. 53.

82. Ejusdem pro xx solidis annuis in villa de Leke. f. 53$^{b}$.

83. Will'mi Comitis de Ferr' pro xx sol. in villa de Tuttesbir.

84. Ejusdem de solvendis xl sol. "quos pater meus Robertus Comes moriendo—dimisit." f. 54.

85. Will'mi Comitis de Ferr' filii Will'mi Com. de Ferr' pro decimis forestæ de Duffeld.

86. Roberti de Ferr' filii et heredis d'ni Will'mi de Ferr' quondam Comitis de Derbeye. f. 54$^{b}$.

87. Ejusdem de redditibus plurimis, 1261.

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88. Compositio inter Will'mum priorem et Will. filium Herberti, super manerio de Norburia, 1125. f. 55$^{b}$.

89. Indentura Nich'i Fitzherbert et Radulfi filii sui de terris datis Thomæ Gedney priori. 30 Hen. 6. f. 56.

90. Breve Regis [Ed. II.] Johanni de Leke custodi honoris de Tuttebur. de proventibus prioratus non tangendis. a° 18. f. 57.

91. Roberti de Ferr' filii W. de F. Com. Derbeie. confirmatio v marcarum de molendino Tutteb. f. 57$^{b}$.

92. "Inquisitio facta coram Will'o de la Pole March' et comite Suff." 23 Hen. 6. f. 58.

93. Carta Roberti de Ferr' Com. Derb. super molendino de Scropton, etc. f. 58$^{b}$.

94. Carta Roberti de Ferr' filii W. quondam Com. Derb. "de compoto prioris." 1262. f. 59$^{b}$.

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95. Roberti de Ferr' Com. Derb. carta confirmationis. 47 Hen. 3. f. 60.

96. Ejusdem "nihil habere in vacationibus." 1261.

97. Breve R. Edwardi II. Joh'i le Forster custodi chasie de Nedewode, super jure Prioris; a° 18. f. 60$^{b}$.

98. Aliud, Joh'i de Leke custodi honoris de Tuttebur. f. 61.

99. Aliud, Joh'i de Demun custodi chac' de Duffeld frith. f. 62.

*99. Carta R. prioris, de vi marcis annuis Joh'i de Miguers, 19 Edw. 2.

100. Placitum de term. pasch. 9 Edw. 2, inter priorem de Tutt. et priorissam de Goringes de redditibus in Esseden. f. 62$^{b}$.

101. Compositio inter Will'm priorem Tutt. et Thomam priorem de Dunstaple super decimis in Tiscington et Bracington. 1364. f. 63.

102. Alia inter eundem et Matill. priorissam de Strateford atte Bowe super decimis in Botelespirye. 1371. f. 64.

103. Carta Roberti Com. de Ferr' pro manerio de Staunfort. f. 64$^{b}$.

104. Placita de Quo Waranto, 4 Edw. 3. f. 65.

105. Carta Will'i de Cheldesleya pro decimis de Fifida. f. 65$^{b}$.

106. Aliud exemplar emendatius. f. 66.

107. Carta Will'i d'ni de Fiffide, super firma decime prati sui de Kockesmore, Will'o le Deneys priori. f. 66$^{b}$.

108. —— Rog. de Dumo, pro duabus partibus garbarum in Daleburia. f. 67.

110. —— Rob. filii Walkelini, de duabus acris prati in Merston.

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112. —— Rob. filii Rob. filij Walkelini, de terris de Herdewiche et Eginton. f. 67$^{b}$.

113. —— Sawali de Syrle, pro una cultura terre in Hoga.

114. —— Galfr'i de Acovere, super una libra cimini pro una roda in Luttulwode. f. 68.

115. —— Henr. de Denestona, super cultura de Singholm in escambio.

116. —— Rob. de Albeneyo, de donatione ecclesiarum de Wibaldeston et Catton.



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117. Carta Henr. de Deneston super molendino de Turlestan. f. 68b.
118. —— Rob. filii Nicholli, pro xl. acris in Turwardeston.
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128. Quieta clamatio Tho. de Piry, super terra de Neuton. f. 71.
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130. Carta H. de Toke pro tribus mesuagijs in Tuttesbur.
131. —— Henrici de Ferrar' pro decima coriorum de cervis. f. 71b.
132. —— Will. filii Herberti pro ij bovatis terre in Tuicros.
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134. Quieta clamatio Henr. de Deneston, super holto de Dubbrige.
135. ———— Nich'i de Karleolo super curto nemore de Dubbrige.
136. ———— Henr. de Daneston super pascuagio xxx porcorum. f. 73.
137. ———— Will. de Meyssam super curto nemore.
138. ———— Tho. de Coleville et Isabellæ uxoris ejus, quod nullum jus habent in Castona. f. 73b.
139. ———— Will. de Eyton super curto nemore. f. 74.
140. ———— ejusdem de parco de Dubbrige. f. 74b.

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141. Carta Will. de Yppestanes super parco de Egyndon.
142. —— Sawali filii Fulcheri pro virgulto sub castello de Tuttesbir. f. 75.
143. —— Thome le Daneys de diversis terris. f. 76.
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145. Quieta clamatio Will. de Winlega pro xix acris in Eduluestone.
146. Carta Thome filii Gurmundi pro terra in Herburberia. f. 77.
147. —— Thome de Piry, de toto feodo de Neuton, Joh'i de Bakepuz.
148. —— Rob. filii Odonis pro terra in Herburberia. f. 77ᵇ.
149. —— Margeriæ filiæ Hen. de Keteleston, de mesuagio et terra in Mercaston, Rob'o Longelegh, 9 Edw. 3. f. 78.
150. Quieta clamatio Gaufr. de S'co Mauro, super terra in Herburberia.
151. Obligatio Rad'i de Askeruge solvere ij marcas annuas pro decimis. 78ᵇ.
152. Carta Rob'i fil. Rob'i de Ruhulle, super terra de Osmundiston.
153. Quieta clamatio Tho. fil. Lewenaldi de Esseburne, super terra in Edoluiston, etc. f. 79.
154. Carta Hen. de Collevilla pro terra de Bussuns.
155. —— Rad'i de Bosco pro dim. acræ in Monhalres. f. 79ᵇ.
156. —— Hamonis de Sapretona, pro xˢ annuis.
157. —— Feliciæ filiæ Rob. le Kenist pro terra in Hattona. f. 80.
158. —— Henr. de Hounil pro terra in Hurtennehas. f. 80ᵇ.
159. —— Joh. fil. Barth. de Norbiria et Emmelinæ ux. ejus, de terra in Hatton.
160. —— Will. de Fostona, super iij ac. in Adgarelega. f. 81.
161. —— Henr. de Hounul pro xv ac. super Roele.
162. Quieta clamatio Ham. de Sapreton super Henrico Molendinario cum fratre et sequelis suis. f. 81ᵇ.
163. Carta Hen. de Collevilla pro terra de Bussuns.
164. —— G. de Bosco pro terra in Longdelke et Longe Orre. f. 82.
165. —— Henr. de Aldoluestre super donatione Ric. Rundel.

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166. Carta W. fil. Ethebaldi, Will'o Tinctori Tuttesb. de terra in Hatton. f. 82$^{b}$.

167. —— Henrici fil. Fulcheri pro virgulto sub castello Tuttesbur.

168. —— Will. de Drakelowe pro terra in Hatton. f. 83$^{b}$.

169. —— Ric. Rundel de terra prope portam prioratus.

170. —— Fulcheri de Yrton pro terra in Hatton. f. 84.

171. Quieta clamatio Rob. Camerarii, Yseudæ de Luttilwode, pro terra in Edulmiston.

172. Carta Will. de Drakelowe pro terra in Hatton. f. 84$^{b}$.

173. —— Adæ filii Torgiz de Ylum, Will'o filio Rob. de Casterne, pro terra in Wetendon.

174. —— Ernulfi de Bech pro terra in Hulton. f. 85.

175. —— Rob. Durescu de Merstona, pro Smalemedewe, ecclesiæ S. Mariæ de Wlricheston.

176. —— Ric. de Curci, Jordano de Furches, pro tribus partibus villæ de Berscaldeby. f. 85$^{b}$.

177. —— Odonis fil. Joh'is de terra in Herburberia.

178. —— Joh'is fil. Herberti de firma terræ in Hatton, 1228. f. 86.

179. —— Stephani Meurel pro secta molendini in Matherfeld.

180. Rog'i Prince de terra in Wynleye. f. 86$^{b}$.

181. Quieta clamatio Gilberti Chauson de curto nemore in Dubbrige.

182. Carta ejusdem de toto tenemento suo in Dubbrige. f. 87.

183. Ejusdem quieta clam. de eodem; bis scripta.

184. Ejusdem carta de redditibus quibusdam. f. 87$^{b}$.

185. Quieta clam. Hen. fil. Tho. de Esseburne, pro passagio pontis de Dubbrige, 1258. f. 88.

186, 187, 188. Quieta clam. Rob. fil. Tho. Folegaumbe, de toto tenem. suo in Matherfeld.

189. Quieta clam. Gilberti de Merstona, super toto tenem. suo in Merston. f. 89$^{b}$.

190. Ejusdem alia.

191. Ejusdem acquietantia pro l$^{a}$.

192. Finalis concordia in Curia Regis, inter Will'm priorem et Gilb. de Merston, super ten. in Merston: 36 Hen. 3. f. 90.

193. Carta Will'i de Montegomeri, pro le hoult in parco de Dubbrige. f. 90$^{b}$.

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194. Quieta clam. d'ni Joh. de Kent, super terra in Matherfeld.

195. ——————— Ejusdem alia. f. 91.

196. ——————— Will. de Eyton militis, super le holt. f. 91$^{b}$.

197. Carta Will. de Meissam militis, pro via per terram sua citra Dowe.

198. —— Ejusdem, d'ni de Eyton, pro communa pasturæ in Eyton. f. 92.

199. Quieta clam. magistri Symonis de Wauton, pro Galewede-milne in Merston. f. 92$^{b}$.

200. ——————— Henr. fil. Engelardi de Braylesford, militis, super villa de Osmundiston. f. 93.

201. Carta Will'mi prioris, Joh'i vicario eccl. de Esseburne, super terra in Edoliuistona.

202. Quieta clam. Joh'is de Bretham vic' de Esseburne, super eadem terra, 1256. f. 93$^{b}$.

203. Carta Rob. fil. mag'ri Ric. de Dubbrige, pro terra in Edoliuiston, 1253.

204. —— Rad'i le Foun, de fonte Blakewelle et conductu in Tuttesb. f. 94$^{b}$.

205. —— Will. Bretun de eadem re. f. 95.

206. —— Rob. fil. Rob. de Multon pro xvj$^{d}$ redd. in Tuiford. f. 95$^{b}$.

207. —— Rob. de Grendon pro xx$^{d}$ redd. in Hatton.

208. Obligatio Will. Talebot pro iiij$^{s}$. f. 96.

209. Conventio inter priorem, et Joh. vic' eccl. de Esseburne, pro stagno de Matherfeld. f. 96$^{b}$.

210. Quieta clam. Dyonisiæ viduæ Galfr. fil. Ric'i, de grangia apud Wymundeham. f. 97.

211. ——————— Tho. filii Herberti d'ni de Sumersale, super tenem. in holto de Dubbrige.

212. ——————— Dyonisiæ Walweyn de mesuagio in Brocton. f. 97$^{b}$.

213. Confirmatio ejusdem cartæ per filium suum Radulphum. f. 98.

214. Quieta clam. Matild. viduæ Utting' de Brocton, super viij acr. in Brocton.

215. Carta Tho. fil. Hervei de Matherfeld, pro secta curiæ ibidem. f. 98$^{b}$.

216. —— Rob. de Piry pro molendino de Hulton.

217. —— Petri de Touke militis, de eodem. f. 99.

218. —— Rad. Gambun de Dubbrige, pro le Morcroft et assarto.

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219. Quieta clam. Rob. Causun, super le Longdole in Dubbrige. f. 99b.

220. Sententia auctoritate papali (a° viij Gregor.) lata inter priorem et vic' de Dubbrige super decima molendini. f. 100.

221. Acquietantia d'ni Henr. de Braylisforde super viij marcis in parte finis pro manerio de Ednathiston, 1254. f. 101.

222. Alia super aliis viij marcis. f. 101b.

223. Carta Will. de Bosco pro terra in Dubbrige.

224. —— Huctredi fil. Nich'i de Broctone, Roberto vic' de Dubbrige, pro terra in Brocton. f. 102.

225. —— ejusdem, Roberto Capellano decano de Scropton. f. 102b. "Alias cartas habemus de eodem et pro eodem."

226. Quieta clam. Rob'i Harekin, de crofto in Wymundeham. f. 103.

227. ———— W. filii Rad' de Molendino, de Apecroft. f. 103b.

228. Carta W. filii Rad' filii Germundi, de medietate terræ de Herdewike.

229. Quieta clam. Ric. filii Levenaldi de Esseburne, pro pastura in Edulueston et Osmundiston.

230. ———— Will. de Wrotele, super parco de Ekedon. f. 104.

231. Carta Rob. de Lokele, pro terra de Bussuns.

232. Quieta clam. Rob. Putrel, super parco de Ekedon. f. 104b.

233. ———— Will. filii Will. de Botredon, super eodem.

234. Carta Galfridi fil. Richeri de Wimundeham, pro terra ibi. f. 105.

235. —— Symonis de Aldulnestre, super terra a Ric. Rundell data.

236. —— Gilberti Chausun pro redditibus in Dubbrige.

237. Quieta clam. Goderici de Dubbrige, pro molendinis et terris in Dubbrige. f. 105b.

238. ———— Rad. de Bosco, super curto nemore in Dubbrige.

239. Carta Alani Fremon fil. Galf. de Thorp, super diversis terris in Thorp et Wimundeham. f. 106.

240. —— Will'i de Casterne fil. Rob. de Casterne, de terra in Wetindon. f. 107b.

241. Ejusdem quieta clamatio. f. 108.

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242. Ejusdem Carta de eadem terra, d'no Rob. de Acovere ad firmam data.

243. Carta Roberti de Mara, super donatione Alani Fremon. f. 108$^{b}$.

244. Quieta clam. Magistri Henr. fil. Henr. Capellani de Esseburne, super terra etc. in Edolueston, curiosa.

245. Compositio inter Robertum de Longedon priorem, et Joh'em de Creci rectorem eccl. de Longford, super decimis, 1313. f. 109.

246. Instrumentum Offic' Archid. Derb. quod Joh'es Wyggeston rector eccl. de Braylisford, debet invenire capellanum pro capella de Osmundiston, 1406. f. 110$^{b}$.

247. Carta Margaretæ sororis Henr. de Ruhul, super terra in Osmundiston. f. 111.

248. —— Agnetis sororis ejus de eadem. "Nota quod vij. Carte sunt que loquntur de eadem materia quas non oportet," etc.

249. —— Margar. de Draicote pro terra in Merston. f. 111$^{b}$.

250. —— Margar. viduæ Nich'i de Gresele, dans "Will'm filium Ailwoldi cum omni sobole sua et Chenildam uxorem fullonis Sewardi."

251. Quieta clam. Marg. filiæ Aliciæ de Dubbrigge, de i. bov. terræ in Dubbrige. f. 112.

252. ———— Matild. fil. Hunfridi de Dubbrige, de v. bov. terræ ibi.

253. ———— Edæ fil. Edith de Dubbrige, de ij bov. terræ ibi. f. 112$^{b}$.

254. Carta Luciæ de Mungumbri fil. Rob. de Mungumbri, de xx$^{d}$ in Hatton. f. 113.

255. Quieta clam. Ceciliæ fil. Hunfridi de Dubbrige.

256. ———— Hauwisiæ de Wyardiston de terra in Eduluestona.

257. Carta Yseudæ filiæ Rogeri de Luttelwode, de eadem terra. f. 113$^{b}$.

258. Ejusdem pactio de vendenda terra in Wyardiston. f. 114.

259. Carta Adelizæ de Lokkele filiæ Alani de Leche, de ten. in Tuiford.

260. —— Will'mi de Truard prioris, Rad'o de Bosco super tenementis in Dubbrige facta, 1369. f. 114$^{b}$.

261. Renunciatio super decimis, per Rob. rectorem eccl. de Piria. f. 115$^{b}$.

262. Compositio inter W. priorem et Mich. rectorem

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eccl. de Langeford pro decimis, auctoritate Celestini III. f. 116.

263. Alia, cum Rob. de Rideware rectore eccl. de Hertindon, 1231. f. 116$^{b}$.

264. Sententia, auctoritate Honorii papæ, contra mag. Steph. de Edulmeston, pro decimis lata. f. 117$^{b}$.

265. Compositio inter priores de Tuttesb. et de Trentham, super decimis, 1226. f. 118.

266. Sententia, auct. Honorii p. contra vicarium eccl. de Duffeld, super decimis. f. 118$^{b}$.

267. Alia contra rectorem ejusdem eccl. f. 118$^{d}$.

268. Alia, auct. Innoc. III. contra rectorem eccl. de Piry. f. 119.

269. Confirmatio sententiæ contra rectorem de Duffeld. f. 119$^{b}$.

270. Sententia, auct. Honorii p. de compositione cum Abbate de Welbek pro decimis, 1220. f. 120.

271. Alia, cum priore de Dunstaple, 1227. f. 121.

272. Alia, auct. Gregorii p. cum Hospitalariis Jerusalem in Anglia, pro decimis de Barwe, 1233. f. 121$^{b}$.

273. Carta Serlonis de Mungay, super bosco de Ednatheston. f. 122$^{b}$.

274. Conventio inter Bartholomeum priorem, et Rogerum Venatorem, pro terra de Eduliuiston. f. 123.

275. Quieta clam. Rad. filii Joh'is de Dubbrige, super le Ley in Dubbrige. f. 123$^{b}$.

276. ——————— Walteri Godriz de eadem. f. 123$^{c}$.

277. "Carta [septem] liberorum hominum de Dubbrige pro secta Cur' Tuttebur."

278. Quieta clam. Walteri de Bosco, super le Ley. f. 123$^{d}$.

279, 280, 281, 282. Alia exemplaria cartarum 207, 166, 111, 134.

283. "Transcriptum carte quam habet Will'ms de Meyssam de vicar' et aliis liberis hominibus de Dubbrugge," super donationibus ejus. f. 124$^{b}$.

284. Conventio inter Bartholomeum priorem et Joh'em de Eyton, de una marca annuatim pro auxilio. f. 125.

285. Compositio inter priores de Tuttesb. et de Trentham, super decimis de Trusleya, 1261.

*285. Conventio cum Hugone Abb. de parco de Stanleye, super decimis de Hulton, 1261. f. 126.

286. Quieta clamatio Rob. fil. Rad'i de Galewode "de Galewode mylne" in Merston.

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287. Conventio Fulconis prioris, et Henrici prioris de Kenilworde, cum canonicis de Calewiz, super pastura de Matherfeld. f. 126[b].

288. Conventio cum priorissa de Garinges, pro firma decimarum in Esseden. f. 127.

289. Alia conventio cum Hugone Abb. de parco de Stanley. 1266. f. 127[b].

290. Conventio in curia Regis, inter Nich'm priorem et Odinellum de Forde, super warrantia manerii de Osmundiston, 10 Hen. 3. f. 128[b].

291. Alia cum Joh'e filio Bartholomei pro terra de Hatton, 14 Hen. 3.

292. Alia inter Nich'm de S'co Mauro et Will'm priorem, pro terra de Herberbery, 32 Hen. 3. f. 129.

293. Carta Galf. de Demes prioris, Ric. filio Herberti, pro terra de Tuicros. f. 129[b].

294. —— Ric. filii Herberti, pro eadem terra.

295. —— Will'mi de Ferr' comitis Derb. de consuetudinibus et redditibus de Caston, 37 Hen. 3. f. 130.

296. —— Nich'i prioris, quod prior inveniet xxvi marcas, xxx porcos, xlv caseos, etc. annuatim, pro coquina prioratus, 1230. f. 131.

297. Inquisitio de quibus terris et ten. magister Will'ms Forester fuit seisitus in Coston, recuperatis per priorem. f. 132[b].

298. Quieta clamatio Will'i Forester de eisdem, Johanni priori, 15 Ric. 2. f. 133.

299. Littera R. Henr. IV. pro sustentatione Rob. Jonnesson, 4 Nov. anno 14. f. 133[b].

*299. Littera R. Henr. VI. de simili corrodio pro Will'o Balgue et Elizabeta ux. ejus, 4 Feb. anno 18. f. 134.

300. Indentura per Thomam priorem, de corrodio concesso, "quia prefati Will'ms et Elizabeth renunciaverunt literas dicti d'ni Regis predictas." f. 134[b].

301. Alia de eadem re, 26 Feb. 18 Hen. 6. f. 135.

Six leaves which followed this leaf have been cut out, (signatures P iiij—Q i,) and the mutilation has been attempted to be concealed by the erasure of a rubric at the foot of the one page, and of three lines on f. 136. In the index of contents, the titles of 16 charters contained in those leaves, have been erased in like manner.

317. Quieta clamatio Hen. Knyveton arm. et Hen. filii ejus, Thome Gedney priori, de terra in Osmoston, 29 Hen. 6. f. 136.

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318. Indentura super eadem. f. 136[b].

319. Conventio inter B. priorem et Hug. de Aucoure, pro diversis culturis. f. 137.

320. Carta d'ni Hug. de Accoure, super redditu xij[d]. "pro uno Trencheto facto per terram" de Matherfeld. 51 Hen. 3. f. 137[b].

321. Indentura cum Priorissa de Langley, super annuo redditu v[s]. 17 Hen. 6.

322. Quieta clam. Joh. Heyward de Assheburne, Thome Serle facta, de mesuagio in Kyrkemalefeld, 17 Hen. 6. f. 138.

323. Carta Joh. Botte de Osmonston, super eodem. 17 Hen. 6. f. 138[b].

324. —— Joh. Seuale Capellani, Ric'o vicario eccl. de Matherfeld, super mesuagio ibidem, 9 Ric. 2. f. 139.

325. "Inter extenta alienigen. de anno vicesimo secundo Regis Edwardi fil. Regis E. videlicet in quadam Baga de canabo in custodia Remem' Regis existen." Extenta cum valore terrarum et ten. Prioratus de Tuttebury, in com. Staff. f. 139[b].—Similiter in com. Derb. (18 Ed. 2.) f. 142.

"Advocaciones Ecclesiarum que spectant ad donacionem Prioris," (etc.) e rotulis taxationis 20 Ed. 1. f. 143[b]. Prope finem intexitur titulus libri, quem supra dedimus.

326. "Confirmacio omnium Abbatum et Priorum in comitatu Stafford." super decimis in archidiaconatu illo; cum ratificatione Will'i ep. Coventr. et Lich. 1434. f. 145.

327. "Recuperacio parve Broctone," per Petrum priorem versus Nich. de Denstone, in placito ap. Westm. 26 Edw. 3, rot. xij°. f. 146.

328. Commissio Joh'is Gaytford vic' Derb. ballivo libertatis de Apultre, pro danda seisina terræ in Broughton. f. 148.

329. Compositio inter Rob. priorem et Joh'em de Kyrkelonglegh, de messuagio in Derby, 1326.

The following articles are not numbered in the MS. nor noticed in the index of contents.

"Decima que pertinent priori de Tuttebur. in Rolleston." f. 148[b].—In pratis, (149) in Nether Thuruaston, (149[b]) Thuruaston et Holynton, (150) Sapreton et Foston, (150[b]) Scropton et Marston, (151) "Castrum de Tuttebur." et Estpirie, 151[b].

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Carta Will'i de Mongomery, de redditu ij marc. et ix$^{d}$. cum ducentis anguillis, pro molendino de Suddebury, 1252. f. 152.

Eadem, cum confirmatione Will'i filii ejus, 1291. f. 153.

Ejusdem literæ Rob'o de Mulneton, super redditu illo solvendo, 1252. f. 153$^{b}$.

Carta Rob. de la Mulneton, de xiij$^{s}$ iiij$^{d}$ solvendis, quoties anguillæ deficiant. f. 154.

Indentura inter Thomam Gedney priorem et Rad. Schirley arm. de ten. in Nether Thuruaston, 20 Hen. 6. f. 154$^{b}$.

"Composicio inter ecclesiam de Merston et capellam de Hylton," super missis, sponsalibus, etc. celebrandis. f. 155.

Literæ Edmundi filij Regis, de oblationibus a comitibus Derbeye fieri consuetis, altari mon. de Tutteb. 54 Hen. 3. f. 155$^{b}$.

De decimis a d'no Henrico de Braylesford datis. f. 156.

De aliis decimis, probatis 26 Hen. 6. f. 156$^{b}$.

"Hec est divisio decimarum terre et prati trans aquam de Douue contra castrum et versus pontem de Tuttebur' inter priorem de Tuttebur' et rectorem eccl'ie de Hambury," etc. f. 157.

"Carta le Roy dez Ministralx." f. 157$^{b}$.—Printed from this MS. in Dugdale's Monasticon, vol. i. p. 355, and in Blount's Jocular Tenures, p. 167, ed. 1679.

Inquisitio de estoveriis captis in warda de Zoxhale per rectores eccl. de Zoxhale, 1367. f. 158.

Excerpta e diversis rotulis de valore decimarum etc. monasterio pertinentium. f. 158$^{b}$. In fine, de decima damorum occisorum pro stauro Regis in Duffeld-frith, 12 Hen. 6.

"He that doith' yowe homage he moste knele opon' both his kneys and hold his handes Joyntly betwix your' handes and sey thus." f. 163$^{b}$.

The remaining documents were subsequently added by other hands.

Præsentatio Henrici Russell ad vicariam eccl. de Douebrygge, per priorem et conv. post resign. Joh'is Yeueley, 1450. f. 164.

Binæ formulæ similium literarum. f. 164$^{b}$.

Prohibitio ne vicarius de Bradburne divina celebret quousque solutionem fecerit priori, 1457. f. 165.

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"Nomina terrarum infra parochiam de Shirley quarum due parcelle decimarum—pertinent Monasterio de Tuttebury, tercia vero pars vicario de Shirley."

Placitum in curia honoris de Tuttebury, Thoma Gedney priore petente terras in Osmandeston etc. versus Nich'm fitz Herberd arm. et Rad'm fitz Herbarde. 34 Hen. 6. f. 165$^{b}$.

Placitum apud Leyc', de xl$^{s}$ debitis priori per Margaretam priorissam de Langley. f. 167.

The same charter as n° 149, with a note, "Theys ben the namys the wich have holden the lond afore sayde," until 31 Hen. 6. f. 168.

Indentura inter Bartholomeum priorem et Henr. de Deneston, pro parva Broctona tenenda Henrico per vitam suam, 1218. f. 168$^{b}$.

Literæ Johannis Ducis Lancastriæ, Alueredo de Sulney forestario de Nedwode, de consuetudine prioris in chacea de Nedwode, 37 Edw. 3. f. 169$^{b}$.

Taxatio ecclesiarum prioratus in archid. Derb. et Staff. f. 171$^{b}$.

## LX.

A quarto volume in its ancient wooden covers, one of them having an iron lock. It contains 216 leaves of parchment, written in a fair hand, but has been mutilated. This MS. was presented to the College by Michael Burton, esq. at the request of Elizabeth, widow of Thomas Freeman of Scarsdale, gent. its former possessor, Feb. 11, 1712, as appears by a statement at f. 26.

REGISTRUM CARTARUM PRIORATUS CANONICORUM ORDINIS S. AUGUSTINI, DE NOVO LOCO, IN COM. NOTTINGHAM.

"Anno Domini Millesimo Ducentesimo Octagesimo sexto, notata sunt in hoc libro universa munimenta et singula ad Ecclesiam Novi Loci in Schirewode spectantia: tam de ecclesiis, terris, Redditibus, quam possessionibus et rebus aliis collatis eidem vel venditis: in quo

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nominantur dona et nomina donatorum, et etiam carte tenencium per nos feoffatorum."

This title is prefixed in rubric to an excellent Index of contents at f. 5. The charters are arranged in classes, each class being separately numbered and headed with a rubric. These rubrics are here extracted. One leaf, containing the three first Papal bulls, has been destroyed, and the fourth bull erased from the next page; the word *Paparum* has been likewise erased from the first rubric. Six leaves (f. 35—40) contain the episcopal and royal charters in the two first classes; but the following classes, to the eleventh inclusive, are wholly lost, except one loose leaf (f. 41) containing the last five charters.

1. "Privilegia . . . . . Pontificum super Fundatione domus et Ecclesiarum et Libertatum." (xv instrumenta.)
2. "Carte Regum. Confirmationes et Protectiones eorum super Fundatione domus ecclesiarum et libertatum." (xvij.)
3. "Carte de Walcringham. Carte Henr. Briton." (xxv.)
4. "Carte Will'i Britton de Schepwyk." (vij.)
5. "Carte Henr. filij Ric. de Walkringham." (x.)
6. "Carte Ade fil. Will'i de Walkringham." (vij.)
7. "Carte Henr. de Rednes de Walkringham." (iiij.)
8. "Cyrographum inter nos et Abbatem de Rupe. et alios." (v.)
9. "Carte Ric. fil. Ric. de Grave. et Ric'i de Bradeburne. et Henr. fil. Rob'i Arnewy." (xij.)
10. "Carte Thome de Deneby patris ejus et filiorum ejus. et aliorum de Walkringham." (xxij.)
11. "Carte Rob'i de Rivariis. et fratrum ejus." ac aliorum. (Cxxiiij.)
12. "Carte de Misterton." (lxxj, per diversos.) f. 42—52.
13. "Carte de Clumber." (ix.) f. 52—55$^{b}$.
14. "Carte de Lincolnia." (xiij.) f. 56$^{b}$—59.
15. "Carte [de villa] Sancti Botulfi abbatis." (vij.) f. 60—61$^{b}$.
16. "Carte de Suttona." (xlviij.) f. 62—70.
17. "Carte de Tershil." (iij.) f. 72.
18. "Carte de Egmanton." (viij.) f. 73—5.
19. "Carte de Starthorp." (xxij.) f. 76—80.
20. "Carte de Notingham. et ultra Trente." (xxxij.) f. 82—88.
21. "Carte de Cotegrave." (iij.) f. 88$^{b}$.

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22. " Carte de Colewyke." (ij.) f. 89.
23. " Carte de Ludam," sive Ludham; et Bolecote, Annisleye, et Calverton. (vj.) f. 89$^{b}$—90.
24. " Carte de Lambekote." (vij.) f. 90$^{b}$—91$^{b}$.
25. " Carte de Stapilford." (xxxvj.) f. 93—99.
26. " Carte de Bramcote." (xxxvij—xl.) f. 102—3.
27. " Carte de Hukenale Torkard." (lxxxv.) f. 104—123.
28. " Carte de Kyrkeby." (xvj.) f. 124—8.
29. " Carte de Hokenale." (x.) f. 129$^{b}$. 131$^{b}$.
30. " Carte de Routhorn." (xj—xxxiiij.) f. 131$^{b}$—7.
31. " Carte de Cestrefeld." (xxxv—xxxviij.) f. 137$^{b}$—8.
32. " Carte de Bromleya." (xxxix—liij.) f. 138—141$^{b}$.
33. " Carte de Scardeclivia." (lvj.) f. 142—159$^{b}$.
34. " Carte de Grangia." (xviij.) f. 160—4.
35. " Carte de Calvover." (xlj.) f. 173—184$^{b}$.

On nine pages between this Index and an Index to the last part of the volume, the two following articles were written in the XIVth century:

" Hec sunt notanda pro communa pasture de Langesdon in Pecco:" scilicet " Litera inquisitionis," 8 Ed. I. " Inquisitio inde capta," et breve de seisina. f. 22$^{b}$—23.

" Memorand. quod Rex Henr. secundus filius Imperatricis fundavit Monasterium de Novo loco in Shirewode Canonicorum Regularium et dedit eis villam de Papilwyk et ecclesiam ejusdem cum duobus magnis vastis dicte foreste vocatis Kygell et Ravenshede et cum omnibus aliis pertin' ad eandem villam de Papilwyk pertinentibus, ut patet per cartam ejusdem d'ni Regis eisdem Canonicis inde confectam, cujus tenor sequitur in hec verba." f. 23$^{b}$. After the charter are noted many particulars relating to these lands.

" Transcripta cartarum de hominibus per nos feoffatis et aliis de nobis tenentibus non tamen a nobis feoffatis." f. 27.

These documents are demises of lands from the convent, 102 in number, occupying ff. 187—210. They are followed by 27 miscellaneous charters, many of which were added subsequently, entitled " Transcripta cartarum de tenentibus nostris non tamen de nobis feoffatis." These occupy f. 210$^{b}$—216$^{b}$.

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A third index is entitled "Notand. quod carte hic titulate et conscripte: non continentur nec rite ordinantur in aliquo kalendario facto et prescripto de aliis cartis infra scriptis. Ideo querantur et invenientur inter alias cartas: singulis suis in locis: prout hic inferius continetur." f. 29ᵇ—30ᵇ.

In this last index are collected the titles of 37 documents inserted in various parts of the volume, chiefly by a hand of the time of Edw. III. The following articles are unnoticed in it.

"Mᵈ. quod erat quidam Robt's le Wright" etc. with an account of his descendants. f. 1.

"Mᵈ. quod Hub'tus fil. Rad'i fuit Capitalis d'ns de Scharcliff et Palterton" etc. This article contains a curious account of the descent of the lordship of Scharcliff. ibid.

An original charter of Rob. Saluagius, granting to the monastery an acre in Hertescott. (Temp. Hen. III.) f. 5.

## LXI.

A quarto volume consisting of 153 leaves of parchment, written in the early part of the XIVth century. The two first leaves are merely fragments, written by another hand, containing

1. Names of the Kings of England from the Conquest to Henry VI.; written in the year 1443.
2. Three technical verses, *Wil. Con. Wil. Rufus.*
3. Names and blazon of the armorial bearings of four Knights of "Bokingham schire tempore R. E. primi."

Piers de Langtoft's Chronicle in French Alexandrine verses; from Brutus to the death of Edward I. in two parts. *Deus le tut pussant qe ciel e tere creait.* f. 3.

This MS. is properly N° 204 of the Vincent Collection, which was bequeathed to the College by Raphe Sheldon of Beoly, esq. Garter Anstis sent it with two of his own MSS. to Hearne in 1725, who was then printing Robert Mannyng's translation of the second part of this chronicle, in the preface to which he has described this MS. p. lvi—lix.



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The following verses form an introduction to the second part of this Chronicle, besides which the present MS. has eight others at the end of the first part.

Incipiunt gesta. que sunt Anglis manifesta
*Beda* pater presta. *Petro* quod dicat honesta.
Lector narrabit. id quod scriptura parabit
*Petrus* dictabit. quod sibi *Beda* dabit.—f. 44.

The text then begins *En les livers Bede des antiquitez*, and corresponds with that which Mannyng translated, differing throughout the reign of Edward I. from the important Cottonian MS. Julius A. v. wherein it appears to form a *third* part, very nearly the same with the poem in N° XIV. described in this Catalogue at p. 22. Hearne has printed the concluding passage of the present MS. and the following curious lines added by the scribe.

" Cy finist *Peres* son liver. en honour
Et *Jon* qe lescrit parfet ad son labour
Al terme de sa vie dieu luy face socour
Et mette salme en repose, ove seintz en docour
*Jon* qe lescrit ordre porte de *prestre*
*Le vikere de Atlyngflet' sir' Jon* qe fu son mest'
Le pria del escriver, par sa mayne destre
Dieus i mene lour almes, en la ioye celestre
F" . . . . (f. 152b.)

In the ecclesiastical taxation of 1292, the church of *Adhelingflet* is described as in the deanery of Pontefract in Yorkshire, and yielding an income of 153*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*

A note by a hand of the XVth century, headed " Tempore R. H. tercij," on the same page, has also been printed by Hearne.

## LXII.

A small quarto volume, containing 74 leaves of paper.

1 The Siege of Carlaverock, a French poem; beginning,

El millime tresenteisime an
De grace au iour de saint Joh[a]n. f. 4.

This MS. was written by Glover, Somerset Herald, in 1587, in the black letter, in imitation of the original Roll from which he copied it. Mr. Nicolas has followed the

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text of this copy, in his edition of the poem, in quarto, 1828, and in the preface, p. vi. the certificate of its accuracy, prefixed by Glover to this MS. (f. 3$^{b}$.) is given. The banners and shields of the Knights, etc. are illuminated on the margins; and the end is a rubric, *Ici finist le assault de Karlauerock*, with the subscription of "R. Glover, Somersett, Mareschal au Norroy Roy d'Armes." f. 34. On the two following leaves is added a list of the names of the persons whose arms are painted on the margins.

2 "A Catalogue of the Names and Armes of the greate Princes, Noblemen, and Knyghts, aswell Englishe, as Estrangers, w$^{t}$ their Retynewes, which were with the moste victorious kinge Edward the third, in his warres in France, and Normandie, duringe the asiege and wynninge of Callis (which was yeelded to y$^{e}$ said Kinge the thyrd of Auguste in the one and twentethe yeare of his Reigne) with the Numbere of Shippes, and men of warre, ymployed aboutes the same, as also y$^{e}$ Rates of wages and the whole charge thereof. At which tyme that valiante and worthy Knyght S$^{r}$ John Howard (auncester of y$^{e}$ now moste honorable famylie of Howards) was Admyrall of the North-fleete of this Realme of England, as hereafter maye appeare:—Per Yorke Herault. 1607." f. 41.

Ralph Brooke was York Herald in the reign of James I. The margins are illuminated with the arms. An Index of the names is at the end of the volume.

A copy of this, or a similar catalogue, was printed by Edward Rowe Mores, Esq. 4to. 1749.

## LXIII.

The MS. numbered XXVI. and described at p. 37, should have been LXIII. The MS. XXVI. is described at page 95.

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## LXIV.

A quarto volume containing 74 leaves of parchment, neatly written in columns, in the XVth century. The capital letters and the heraldic illustrations are illuminated.

### Nicholai Upton, ecclesiarum cathedralium Sarum et Welliæ canonici, de Studio Militari libri quatuor.

This MS. has no title; it begins *Summum opificem alpha et O.* and ends, *non violenti animo sed benigno corrigant et emendant. Et hic finis deo gracias.* It is one of the five MSS. used by Sir Edw. Bysshe, Garter, in the publication of Upton's work, and the one which had been lent him by John Selden, to whom his edition was dedicated, in 1654. That learned antiquary died the same year, and in 1659 his library was deposited in the Bodleian; the present MS. contains his motto, "περὶ παντὸς τὴν ἐλευθερίαν," followed by his autograph, J. Selden.

At the end of the MS. is written "Pertinet Thome Cryspe mercer," in a hand of the time of Henry VIII.; to which is added, "et nunc Henrico Crispe 1681, qui pretio tulit a Gulielmo Cowper Librario Sept^r. 20." Henry Crispe, who was Common serjeant of the city of London, gave it to the College 22 June, 1682. The arms and rebus of *Morton* on f. 2^b. afford a probability that the book belonged at some period to an individual of that name.

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ADDENDUM to LVIII.—p. 109, l. 33.

It has been since ascertained that the poem of which only a fragment could be given by Hearne, from the MS. LVIII., is printed entire by Ritson in his notes upon Minot, from the Harleian MS. 4690, together with a long prose extract from that MS. The poem consists of 64 lines, and is thus introduced, "werre off this *Romance* was made." (f. 79^d.) The Harleian MS. is a remarkable copy of the *Brute* Chronicle, much resembling the latter part of the MS. N° LVIII, and, like that, it contains an imperfect copy of the *Romance of Richard I.* beginning abruptly fifteen lines earlier than the MS. in question, though not extending so far.

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