











THE CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS

OF

ST. MICHAEL'S IN BEDWARDINE, WORCESTER,

FROM 1539 TO 1603.

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INTRODUCTION.

It has somewhere been said that the man who keeps his accounts upon a good system has no need to keep a regular diary, the various items being quite sufficient to bring to his mind the several incidents of his life. In the same way the accounts of the churchwardens of a parish not only reflect in many aspects the history of the parish to which they relate, but also the history of the country, as far as regards at least its ecclesiastical affairs. The accounts of St. Michael's in Bedwardine are no exception to this rule.

St. Michael's in Bedwardine was a small parish lying round the Cathedral of Worcester. In the third year of Elizabeth's reign, 1562, it contained 48 families, and in later days, in 1776, 60 families 1. Green, however, says that in 1779 it possessed 99 houses and 623 inhabitants². It included the Cathedral churchyard, the episcopal palace, now the Deanery, and the charnel-house on the north of the Cathedral; and on the south the castle (the Keeper of the Castle and his wife paid for seats in 1569) and its hill, reaching down as far as the river. The church, at all events, was not within the limits of the city, sharing in this the circumstances of the Cathedral, so close to which it stood. To an inquiry made as to the privileges of the Church of Worcester, and held on January I, 1671, the Dean and Chapter answered, "The Corporation of the City hath no jurisdiction within the precincts of the Cathedral, for the said Church lies in the County of Worcester and not within the city." That St. Michael's was within the county is asserted at the head of the accounts for many of the years; "being within the County and Diocese of Worcester," the heading usually runs, and in some years the words are added, "near the City of Worcester." An engraving of the Church is given in Valentine Green's History of Worcester, which shews that it consisted of a nave and a chancel, the former possessing a large west window, while by the south wall of the chancel stood the clocherium or bell-tower, which was taken down in 1647 and sold for £617 14s. 2d. Nash calls this the "famous leaden steeple3," but the engraving shews a house-like tower of three stories, with a turret in the centre of the roof, plain windows, and a door on the ground floor.

The accounts in this book are neither quite continuous nor consecutive for the years they cover, and there is some little difficulty in ascertaining accurately the particular years to which the several items refer. To simplify reference I have in nearly all cases taken the year in which the accounts were rendered, marked by thick figures at the head of them in this book, as the year of the payment of the several sums mentioned, though necessarily they must often belong to the previous year. Nor is it easy to see in all cases for which years the churchwardens were acting, since there seems to have been no regular date for rendering the accounts, and in some years such a laxity prevailed that not only are the accounts themselves very meagre, but they are sometimes entirely wanting, while the churchwardens appear often to have continued in office for some years together. The date of rendering the accounts seems to have steadily retrogressed, getting later and later each year; for the first ten years the date was some time in November, and for ten years more it occurred near the end of the old or the beginning of the new year, as we now reckon it. Then began the march backwards. They were rendered from 1568 to 1574 in March, till 1581 in April, in 1582 in May, in 1584 and 1585 in June, then till 1596 in July, in 1599 in August, and in 1601 in September. In this year an entry gives the procedure on such occasions at some length, from which it appears that they were considered in the church upon a Sunday after notice given in the church the previous Sunday, "according to the ancient custome." In two or more of the later years the words "stylo Angliæ," or "juxta stylum Angliæ," are added to the date. This is doubtless because the Gregorian calendar, though adopted in the Roman Church at the end of the sixteenth century, was not in use in England, where it did not obtain till the year 1752. I must at once confess that I have not added up nor verified the various figures, and am in no way responsible for the totals set down, which are those found in the original accounts. It is interesting to notice the gradual displacement towards the end of the century of Roman numerals by Arabic figures. With the exception of the year, which is in Arabic figures in 1550 and from 1556, when the practice of denoting the year solely by the year of the sovereign's reign was abandoned,

these first occur in the accounts for 1595. At first they are mixed up with Roman numerals, but afterwards these are retained only for the more important totals, which themselves also are in Arabic in the payments in 1601, though Roman numeration was afterwards resumed for this purpose. At the end of this Introduction 1 have given a list of the churchwardens for the several years, which may be taken I hope as fairly accurate.

The book in which these accounts were kept is of folio size, consisting of 122 leaves, on the back of the last of which they terminate abruptly, and doubtless at the end several leaves have been lost. The twelfth leaf is a piece of parchment, probably from a manuscript missal, to which the 28th leaf corresponds, and the object of this insertion is not clear; and while the accounts for 1554 precede this leaf, those for 1553 follow it. The accounts run from 1539 to 1603, the last year being imperfect. The greater portion of the writing is in the hand of Roger Foliott, who was possibly a draper, as blue satin for a vestment was bought of him in 1554, and there are several entries of sums he received for recording the accounts; for instance, in 1561, "for his paynes in writing in this book heretofore." 5s., and in 1567, "for writing and keeping our accounts divers times," 6s. 8d. Possibly earlier entries of this nature refer also to him. In 1591 a dispute as to certain sums of money arose between him and the parishioners, which being referred to the arbitration of the Dean ended in his having to pay 50s, to the churchwardens. After this his handwriting appears no more, and the entries to the end were made by Guthlake Foliott, probably his son, who was allowed, in 1598, 4s. 9d. for keeping the books for five years. He was, no doubt, the grandfather of the Guthlake Foliott who entered his pedigree at the Visitation of Worcestershire in 16821, and claimed descent from the Foliotts of Pirton, but whose pedigree was found not to join to that family. Indeed, among the numerous members of that family given in the pedigree recorded in the Visitation of 15602 hardly a Christian name common to the two families occurs; and Guthlake Foliott in 1682 appears not to have known the name of his grandmother, nor that his great-grandfather was Roger Foliott of St. Michael's. Roger was churchwarden for seven of the years in this account, the earliest 1548 and the last 1583. His name does not occur in the list of those assessed to the poor in 1599. He

¹ Metcalfe's Vis. of Worc., 1682-3, 47.

^{*} Harl. Soc. xxvii. 53.

seems to have been an active member of the community. He conducted negotiations for the sale of the church plate in 1573, and in the same year was concerned in getting payment for a debt due to the church from Mr. Fisher when he died. In the same year also he had a licence from the Dean and Chapter to present John Wilkinson to the living of St. Martin's, in their patronage. He paid 12d. for a seat for his wife in 1569, and, like many parishioners, was not above borrowing the church money from time to time. Guthlake Foliott was warden in the years 1595, 1596, and 1602.

The accounts open in the 31st year of the reign of Henry VIII., 1539. The Act of Supremacy vesting authority over all ecclesiastical matters in the Crown had been passed in 1534; two years later followed the suppression of the smaller monasteries and nunneries, and in 1539 the dissolution of the larger monasteries, and the disappearance of mitred abbots from the House of Lords occurred. In this year also John Bell succeeded Hugh Latimer, who afterwards was burnt at the stake, as Bishop of Worcester; and in this year Henry Holbeach, the last prior of the monastery, became the dean of the new Cathedral establishment. The Act known as the "Six Articles" had been passed in this year, which declared that transubstantiation, communion in one kind, celibacy of the clergy, monastic vows, private masses, and the binding powers of vows of chastity, were agreeable to the law of God. Burning was the penalty fixed for the denial of transubstantiation, and for a second offence against either of the other five doctrines. In 1547 a copy of this Act, then called a "book of the six articles," cost the parishioners of St. Michael's 3d. In 1538 the royal license was given to Coverdale's translation of the Bible; and in 1540 Cranmer's Bible, known as the Great Bible, was appointed by royal command to be read in churches. In 1545 the parishioners gave 4d. for a "chain to tie the Bible."

Nash says¹ the church is a peculiar, subject to the jurisdiction of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester. The ordinary meaning of this would be that the church had no other ecclesiastical superior than the Dean and Chapter, and that the Bishop had no right to include the church in his visitations. But in the case of St. Michael's, with that of other peculiars in the Diocese of Worcester, such as Alvechurch, Hanbury, Hartlebury, Stratford, and other parishes, all being manors which with their advowsons

belonged to the Bishop of Worcester, this would not free it from the visitations of the Bishop, though it would from those of the Archdeacon; and in these accounts there is no record of any procurations being paid to him. Accordingly, many entries relate to the visitations of the Bishop; and moreover the Archbishop of Canterbury visited the church on two occasions, in 1562 and 1573. The first visitation mentioned is in 1552, when the parish appeared and paid its procurations at St. Helen's church. Payments for procurations, usually 1s. 6d., and other expenses connected with the function, occur at intervals to the end of the accounts. The same sum was paid in 1559 on the "Queen's visitation," whatever that may mean. It was the first year of her reign. In 1592 the parishioners treated themselves to a dinner on the occasion, for which they paid 3s. 4d.; having been satisfied in 1580 with a breakfast. In 1594 the visitation took place on 15 July; the bells were rung at the coming of the Bishop, who was then Richard Fletcher, the visitation probably being conducted in person; and the Sidesmen or Six Men of the parish had a dinner provided for them. The parishioners paid the Apparitor for his fees 2d. on the occasion, and bought a book of Articles for 1s. 6d. Again in 1598 the Bishop, Gervase Babington, personally visited the church, and the parish provided him with wine at a cost of 3s. 8d., no small quantity. The churchwardens and sidesmen had a dinner, and specially bought for the feast a pound of sugar for 1s. 8d. This time also the Apparitor was ready with a book for the parish to buy; they paid him 10d. for a Prayer Book. In four of the last years for which accounts exist the Bishop, then Gervase Babington, gave sums of money at Christmas time for the relief of the poor; 13s. 4d. in the first of these years and afterwards 20s.; possibly on account of his position as possessor of the chief house in the parish. It is probable that St. Michael's was included in the peculiar jurisdiction of the Cathedral.

Still the Dean and Chapter had some authority in the parish, the precise nature of which cannot be said. Whitson farthings were paid to them possibly every year, though the entries are irregular; the payments are in some instances for arrears. The sum was 5d.; in 1546 Edward Porter was the receiver, in 1567 one Clent, and in 1581 and 1584 Roger Clarke; and the 5d. paid on Trinity Sunday, 1559, was possibly of this nature. In the dispute between Roger Foliott and the parishioners in 1591 the Dean arbitrated, and

in 1593 an old woman was relieved with parish money at his request. The authority, too, was of such a nature that it was possible for the parish to quarrel with the Dean. One such quarrel seems to have occurred in 1596, but what it was about there is no positive indication, though possibly it had to do with the parish property. In 1591 a petition concerning Mr. Chance's house had been made to the Dean, and in 1593 a sum of 10s. was paid to the Dean "for Mr. Cyrell for making a release concerning Ballard's house;" and in 1603, for a deputation under the common seal of the Dean and Chapter concerning the house Dr. Hare gave to the parish, which was Ballard's house, and the rent of which Mr. Chance paid in 1594, and for other expenses about the business, the parish paid 22s. 6d. Whatever the dispute was about, the parish tried persuasion first; they sent a petition, for the "making" of which they paid 12d., to the Dean and Chapter in 1593; and this apparently being ineffectual, they "sett proces" against the same body in the following year. The process was served at Hereford, and the Dean and Chapter met at Bewdley, where the churchwardens and other parishioners also attended. A number of items connected with this business appear in the accounts for this year, including legal advice, scaling the writ, replying to the Dean's defence, and the personal expenses of the parishioners, which amount in the whole to the sum of £1 10s. 9d. The suit was heard before the Council of the Marches of Wales, and after all the parish was not successful, as may be gathered from the fact that they were ordered to pay 20s. towards the Dean's costs, which were handed to Dr. Lewis, the receiver of the Cathedral, sometime after 2 June in 1594.

When these accounts begin Roger Hughes was the parson of the parish. Nash does not mention his institution, but says Owen Lloyd was instituted incumbent in 1534; and after him he gives no other till 1551, when William Hunt was instituted 1; but his name does not occur in the accounts. At this time Nash says the patronage lapsed to the crown, and Green 2 in his History of Worcester continues this by saying, "and has so continued ever since, it not being worth while to pay the expense of the seals, &c., on account of the smallness of the Rectory. It is therefore held by license." There are many entries in the accounts relating to payments to clergymen, the first two being in 1545 and 1546 to the

¹ Nash, II. 323.

[&]quot; History of Worcester, 47.

parson, unnamed, for two quarters of a year 13s. 4d., and three quarters of a year, 20s., and the next one to Sir Richard Wale in 1554, for half a quarter's service at the communion board, 5s.; possibly the payment to Master Wyche in 1543 was one to the parson. There seems to have been no regular clergyman paid by the parishioners till 1561; previously to that year John Dyckyn, John Birken, Richard Wale and Richard Warrett received small sums at various times for their services. From 1561 to 1573 the regular clergyman seems to have been Henry Himbleton, whose stipend appears to have been 13s. 4d. a quarter, or £2 13s. 4d. a year. The entries of payment to him are not regular; in some years the parish paid all the quarters, in others one or more, in some none. The incumbent seems necessarily to have had some other source from which he received his "wages," as his emolument is called, even if his stipend only amounted to the sum mentioned above. And this source, from the entry in 1591 of an award in a dispute between Roger Foliott and the parishioners, appears to have been the Church of Worcester, otherwise the Dean and Chapter, who had paid to Foliott a yearly pension for the use of the parson of the church, the whole of which had not been accounted for. The amount of the pension, however, is not stated. After 1573 there is no entry of the kind till 1579, when Mr. Bell, whose Christian name is not given, was paid at the same rate for a quarter due at Michaelmas in that year. There was a parsonage house belonging to the church, for Mr. Bell was given two several sums of 5s. towards its repair. He seems to have held the cure till 1582, when Edward Slough, afterwards in 1585 presented by Edward Dalton of Holbury by license from the Dean and Chapter to Bredicote, was curate of the church. No other clergyman is named till 1591, when Mr. Fisher was the minister, the first payment to him being the usual 13s. 4d. for a quarter's service. Afterwards some agreement as to stipend was entered into between him and the parishioners. Nothing more is to be seen of quarterly payments, but 22 July, 1594 he was given, "according to agreement," 10s.; and in following years 10s. or 12s., "by consent of the whole parish," for some such reason as this, "to augment his small commodity for serving the cure among us." On 2 Sept. 1601, "Richard Hill our minister" was paid 24s. "on account of the smallness of his living and benefit among us," for his services for the two years then last

past, when he was present and signed the account. Three clergymen are mentioned in the Taxation list for 1601.

Besides these payments, the incumbent received also half the money paid by the communicants at Easter for bread and wine. In Mr. Himbleton's time this seems to have crystallised into a fixed sum of Ss., but when Mr. Bell and Mr. Slough were incumbents, the exact half was again paid to them. In 1597 this payment was made "according to ancient custom." Mr. Bell was possibly a man of more than usual energy; a key to the chancel door was provided for him; he it was who discovered that the parsonage house was in need of repair, and he asked for and got special sums given him for distribution among the "poorest of the parish." It may be that he was the Mr. Bell who spoke an oration to Queen Elizabeth on her visit to Worcester on 18 Aug. 15741. In the accounts rendered on 8 July, 1596, is an item of 8d. for a quart of claret fetched for Mr. Thornhill the day he preached at the church, who on a like occasion, on 12 Jan. in the previous year, had a quart of muscadell given him, price 1s. 2d.

How the parish clerk was paid does not appear. There is no regular entry of sums paid to him. In the very early years of the accounts he seems to have had 6s. 8d. a quarter, and his name was Vulfray, but afterwards nothing was given him beyond very small sums, and these at very scattered intervals. But there are several entries concerning him. In 1562 William Ferecliffe was the clerk, who paid 4d. for a seat in that year; in 1577 Dixson; in 1583 William Heywood, who was given 6s. 8d. towards his expenses in coming from London to take up the office. He, however, did not hold the office long, for in 1584 Richard Jackson was "our clerk." An entry in this year seems to shew that Jackson had had lent to him the large sum of £18 6s. 10d., of which 20s. was repaid, and 6s. 8d. was forgiven, and the rest was to be received by the churchwardens at the rate of 6s. a year out of the rent of the clerk's house, in which Christopher the underkeeper lived. There must be an error in the figures, as the debt would not be repaid in 56 years; and there is no entry of the receipt of the 6s. in any of the following years. His wife, as had the clerk's wife in 1580, washed the church linen in 1592. In the same year, his wife and daughter being sick, he had 12d. given him, and he received other sums of money at odd

¹ Nash, App. 97.

times as one of "our parish poore." He possibly died before 1598, since in that year widow Jackson was one of the recipients of charity money; and 16 Sept. 1599, she had 4d. given her "in her sickness," and three days afterwards her daughter received 12d. towards her burial. In 1598, $4\frac{1}{2}d$., the surplus of the accounts, was given to the clerk for his "extraordinary attendance;" and in 1599 and the following years to the end, Robert Creswell was the clerk. In 1590 the parish clerk had 1s. given to him as one of the poor. In 1545 the wardens bought a pair of gloves "for the clerke's case" for 2d., and he had another pair the next year. In 1553, he and two women were paid 1s. for cleaning the church after the roodloft was taken down. In 1580, the washing of the church linen was done by the clerk's wife. He wore a surplice, for it is mentioned in the list of church goods in 1552, and was mended at a cost of 2d. in 1568. He was provided with a psalter in 1584 at a cost of 2s., and took especial pains about something on 18 Aug. 1598, for which he was rewarded by is. He had charge of the bells, for he paid 4d. to the warden for ringing in 1598, possibly fees for the use of bells on private occasions, and to him was paid, in later years at least, the money for ringing on the Queen's coronation-day. In 1599 and 1603, he received 2s. each time for ringing on the day of the Queen's coronation, and entries of payments on this account occur regularly, but it is not elsewhere said that the sum went to the clerk. In 1581, 10s. was given to the clerk towards building his chimney, and in 1590 there was paid 1s. 4d. for mending the clerk's house.

Not much was spent during these years upon the fabric of the church, except upon the roof and windows. The church was whitewashed in 1551 and 1553 and again in 1571, at which latter date they used in the business 6d. worth of Bristol lime. The tower was repaired at a cost of 2s. 11d. in 1558; and if the steeple and the tower were the same, as was probably the case, it required a ladder in 1567, the stairs in it were repaired at the same time, and the lock on the steeple door mended and had a new key provided for it. A bar was fixed to the church door in 1547. The walls were mended in 1580 and 1593; and in 1594 10s. was spent in painting the church; and in 1596 the gallery was coloured, after an alteration to the stairs. The following year the gallery was benched. In 1580 the choir was paved. The whole church was cleaned down in 1580,

and again in 1596. The walls of the church and chancel were decorated with sentences from Scripture in 1596, and the same had previously been done in 1548, when the church was plastered and whitened, and 13s. 4d. spent in painting. The roof required more attention. It was mended in 1551; in 1566 it took a man two days to stop up holes between the rafters to keep out pigeons. In 1559, 1566, 1571, 1580, 1584, 1590, 1594, and 1598 the tiling of the church was repaired, and on two of the occasions 500 tiles were used; the lead was repaired in 1594. The church had a door at the "nether end," for which a key was bought in 1553. In 1594, a penny was spent on besoms, and in 1596, 8d. on brushes "for clean keeping the church."

Repairs to the church windows were a continual expense, items relating to them appearing regularly all through the accounts. In 1580, the south window was boarded up, and possibly it was this same one that required mending in 1598. In 1596 and 1598, extensive repairs were carried out by George Shewesmith the glasier; in the former year three new panes containing 16½ feet of glass were provided by him, and 20 pieces of original glass reset, and in the latter 36 new squares were used in the windows of the church and chancel, and the high window on the south side was extensively repaired. In 1596 all the windows were cleaned down—"scoured" it is called—for Christmas.

The bells of the church afford numberless entries. How many there were does not appear; three men received refreshment for ringing in 1547. At least 36 new bellropes were provided during the period the accounts cover, and 19 baldricks. This, spelled variously baldericke, bawdrick, balrick, balryche, badricke and ball ryck, was the leather strap that attached the clapper to the bell, and besides being frequently replaced was often repaired. The "stirrop" mended in 1599 was another name for the baldrick. And there are numerous entries also of repairs to the bells and the bell wheels, from the year 1543 onwards to the end. In 1548 two small bells weighing 6lb. were sold for 9d. In 1566 the little bell was recast and more weight put to "him" at a cost of 17s.; but 14 years after it was possibly done away with, for there is an entry of 6d. paid to "men to help down with the frame where our little bell hanged." The "sance" bell was mended and had a new baldrick in 1595; this was the bell rung at the elevation of the Host at the parish Mass, and was fixed outside the church, frequently on the apex of the eastern gable of the nave. If it were not for this entry and another in 1582, which shews that the sance bell was still used, though certainly not for its original purpose, one would have imagined that the previously mentioned framework which was taken down in 1580 was that connected with the "sanctus" or "sance" bell. A penny was spent at the "waying" of this bell, when the stock was repaired with new ironwork in 1543; and in 1598, "lycker," probably oil, of a like value was purchased for the bells. Only one entry, that in 1547, mentions ale or food given to the ringers, but there are several which give the sum paid to them for ringing. In 1547 the bells were rung "at the procession for the victory in Scotland," that is, at the battle of Pinkie, near Musselburgh, fought 10 Sept. 1547, when the Scots were defeated with great slaughter. In the accounts for 1555 there is an entry of payment for ringing at the "bondfires for the Queen," possibly rejoicing at Queen Mary's marriage with Philip, 25 July, 1554. After this the only entries of money paid to the ringers, with one exception, refer to the day of the Queen's "entring," the Queen's "renewing of her reign," on her "Holy day," 17 Nov. in each year, the day on which Elizabeth came to the throne. The exception is ringing at the Bishop's coming to visit the church in 1594. No doubt there was tumultuous bell-ringing when the news of the defeat of the Armada came to Worcester, but accounts for this period do not exist in detail. The amount paid for ringing in later years was 2s.; and for a considerable time Richard Jackson had the management of the bell-ringing, for this was one of the functions of the parish clerk.

Before 1548 there were three altars in St. Michael's church, a high altar and two side altars. In the accounts rendered I Nov. in this year, the second of Edward VI., are entered the expenses of taking them down, of paving where they stood, and mending the wall under the chancel window, in all 8s. 7d. It seems to have been a sudden order that they should be removed, since earlier in the same account is entered an expenditure of 4s. for painting the three of them. On each of them stood a table, which was sold, that on the high altar fetching 1s., the others 4d. less. Over the high altar was a "trimmer," probably a canopy, and it, two ends, and two frames were also disposed of. Two forms for the communion to

be received at and a "table to be set in the church" were purchased in the same year, the latter costing 10s. "Stolls," probably hangings, were bought for the "tabell" in 1551. When Mary came to the throne a brick altar was built to replace the "communion borde" mentioned in the same account, that for 1554; the three quarters of a hundred of brick necessary, and other expenses, costing os. 2\frac{1}{2}d. Five ells of cloth to make altar-cloths were bought in 1554, and the altar-cloths were washed in 1559; but this altar had no long existence, nor was it probably very strongly built, for the cost of its removal in the accounts for 1559, the second year of Elizabeth, was only 3s. Sd., and there was "rubbell" to be "ridded;" another communion-table was bought in this year, this time for 6s. There is a mention of the communion board in 1566; in 1580 the "carpet for the communion table" was mended, and the holes in the cloth for the table; and in 1595 a desk was provided for it at a cost of 10d.

There are several mentions of the pulpit. It was moved in 1546, and the seat where "he" stood was mended. A desk and ironwork was provided in 1548, and the same year the top was sold for 2s. and the "fob" for 2d. In 1580 the pulpit was moved again and a seat made where it was taken from; and there occurs also an imperfect entry about some pillars that were connected with it. Possibly the two cushions mentioned this year, lined with two red skins and stuffed with feathers, were for the pulpit. In 1500 it was painted at a cost of 2s. 6d., and also mended, the total amount spent about it being 11s. 2d. The roodloft was taken down in 1553 and sold for 15s. 2d., and more of the old timber belonging to it in 1560 for 3s. St. Michael's was one of the churches in Worcester that possessed an organ. A hundred and a half of lead pipes belonging to it were sold in 1548 for $\frac{1}{2}d$. a pound, and some pewter pipes at 2d. a pound. The case and coffer of the "organs" (the word was at that time always used in the plural) were sold at the same time. A font is never mentioned throughout the accounts.

We now come to deal with the seats in the church. The first entry relating to them is in 1546, when 1s. 10d. was paid for making doors for them, so it is clear they had by that time taken the form of pews. Another entry in the same year relates to mending Mr. Borne and his wife's seat. From this it might be gathered that although the men and women were separated generally in the church,

a man and his wife could sit together; it would be a curious coincidence that in long ranges of seats in different parts of the church the two belonging to a man and his wife should at the same time alone require repair. Other entries would lead one to suppose that the sexes were not rigidly separated. In 1567 Mistress Bland paid 12d. for a seat that her husband had for her friends to kneel in, the sex of the friends being unspecified; and the same year Dr. Hare, who afterwards at his death left his house to the parish, had a seat allotted to his house for ever, for which he paid 5s., and which cost 6s. 8d. to construct. In this seat no doubt persons of both sexes could sit. Still as a rule men and women did sit in different parts of the church. An entry in 1595 mentions five seats for women on the north side of the church, and men's seats in the middle of the church. From an entry in the next year it can be gathered that there were eight long seats for women on the north side, each 4 yards in length, and that the middle row of the men's seats was as long. Here also are two mentions of doors to seats, so that unless each individual kneeling possessed a door, which is hardly likely, those seats must have been pews. Seats were made in 1589; seats on the south side of the church are mentioned in 1596, and seats for minister and clerk in 1597. There were also seats in the choir, and in 1597 the wardens so little respected the fabric of the chancel that they "hewed the wall" to accommodate them. A new seat in the chancel was constructed in 1598, three new seats having been placed there in 1581. Scating accommodation was getting limited in 1599, for in this year some alterations were carried out by which "one whole new seat" was gained in the middle row in the body of the church, and some seat doors that were broken down repaired. There are several entries of "gemelles" or hinges provided for the doors. In 1584 are some curious entries relating to Mrs. Bullingham's seat. She had one allotted to her for 12d., and it was built at a cost of 12s. 2d., shewing that this probably also was a pew. But the curate interfered, the word indicating the nature of his interference being absolutely undecipherable. Whatever it might have been, the seat was removed at a cost of 8d.; curiously small when the expense of constructing the seat is considered. Her husband apparently had bought a seat in 1579.

The prices of seats remained about the same from first to last of these accounts, 4d., 6d., 8d. or 12d. being the general prices,

no doubt according to position in the church. In 1599 the payment of 6d, for a removal is entered. Apparently as a rule the payment was a payment down and not a rent; but in one or two instances a person seems to pay a second or even a third time in after years. Ralph Symons paid in 1562 and 1568; Humphrey Peryn in 1567, 1570 and 1582; William Ford in 1568 and 1582; and Timothy Ford and his wife in 1595, and he again 1599. Possibly, however, these were for additional members of their families. If, as is now always said, the church was open free to all parishioners, any one of them who wanted a fixed seat to go to had to pay for it; and if that was the case, it implied that some one had power to keep unauthorized persons out of the allotted seats. In the later years which the accounts cover, payments for seat money become very numerous, in the years 1595 to 1602 no less than 116 persons being allotted seats upon payment. This extensive allotment entailed considerable alterations. In 1595 £1 2s. Sd. was spent upon the seats, in 1596 £3 os. od., in 1597 £3 2s. 4d., and in 1599 £1 11s.; in 1599 also a special entry is made of a whole seat being gained. With all these seats that were paid for there would be but little room in a small church like St. Michael's for the free worshipper.

There is no trace in these accounts of the jurisdiction of the Ordinary in this matter, the supreme authority in the matter of seats, as in all other matters of Church government, according to the present interpretation of the Church law. The parishioners, either at their meetings or through their wardens, with whom it appears from an entry in 1566 were joined for the purpose the six men or sidesmen of the parish, seem to have allotted seats with a free hand, assuming to themselves power not only to allot a seat to a person possibly for his life, but, as in the case of Dr. Hare's house, to a house for ever. It is said in books that the custom of paying for seats took its rise after the Reformation. In the accounts for St. Helen's, in this book, are items for scat money as early as 1519. It was no new custom when all these payments were made at St. Michael's. Now-a-days it is said that pew rents are illegal: they cannot be recovered in law for lack of consideration. But it can hardly be supposed that when this dictum was laid down that the immense body of custom, which numberless churchwardens' accounts shew existed from early times, was duly considered. Pews were paid for universally in the old parish church, and though these

payments might not have been what are now known as rents, at all events they were money payments.

The parish possessed a bier and a herse, the latter being a framework set up over the coffin to support the pall. At the death of Henry VIII. in 1547, a special "Dirige," a funeral service so called from the first words of the hymn used on such occasions, Dirige gressus meos, and Mass were held. The service appears to have been in the nature of a mock funeral, for they used the herse, and set upon it two papers of the "King's Armes," for which they paid 3d. In this year not only is there an entry for mending the bier and herse, but another to the effect that they bought a new bier and herse which with the ironwork cost 4s. 8d. The bier was mended in 1559, 1580, 1594, and 1599. There was a desk in the chancel which was mended in 1599, perhaps the one bought for 6d., 8 Nov. 1579. A board was set on the church door in 1547, costing 1d.; and they bought a poor men's chest, possibly incited to do so by Archbishop Cranmer's Visitation Articles, one of which runs to this effect: "Item. Whether they have provided and have a strong chest for the poor men's box, and set and fastened the same near to their high altar." The chest cost 6s. 8d., and by the year 1551 appears to have been the means of collecting 3s. 4d., and in 1554, of 1s. 4d. The church box, from which 8s. was taken at Easter in 1555, is possibly this one. In the year 1547 there is an entry of 2d. spent "for the pane of the Pater noster, the Articles of our Faith, with the Ten Commandments of God," which entry has afterwards been struck out. If this was a board on which these subjects were set out even in brief, the sum seems very little; and at any rate the meaning of the entry being struck out is obscure. In 1562 a table of the Commandments cost 1s. 4d., and in 1581 they purchased a frame for the Ten Commandments for 4d. Those in office seem to have possessed a special faculty for losing keys: the purchases of at least nine new ones are entered at various times. In 1592 the subject is disguised thus, "Item for Akey for a coffer," $2\frac{1}{2}d$.

There are three inventories of church goods, in 1552, in 1561, and in 1594. They differ considerably in their characteristics. The first contains several church ornaments, that is adjuncts to the services of the church, with some vestments; the second consists nearly entirely of vestments; and the last, of books, vestments, and

two articles of communion plate. Previous to 1552 there would appear to have been considerable peculation throughout England in the matter of church goods. Ornaments had come to be considered as idolatrous and superstitious, and in many cases parishioners and other persons seem to have taken advantage of this change of feeling to dispose of the goods to themselves or others, and to use the money for the benefit of their parish, or perhaps sometimes of themselves. It was to meet this peculation that the Commissions to inquire into what church goods remained to the parishes throughout England were issued in the last year of Edward VI., 1552. There was no question of enforcing any particular ritual; it appears that the lists were made merely to prevent any more ornaments being disposed of, and that those that remained might be preserved to be dealt with in the future in any way the Crown might think fit. In 1548 the wardens of St. Michael's had disposed of church goods to the value of £2 4s. 11d., including a lamp and censer weighing 20 pounds, brass standards, a copper cross and platter, and the pipes of the organ. That there had been some sort of an inquiry into church goods this year is pretty clear, since \$d. was spent in writing two inventories for the King's Commissioners in that respect, and 2d. was paid to the goldsmith for weighing the plate. In 1566 the holy water-pot of lead weighing 15 pounds was sold for 16d.

Commissioners enquiring into church goods were about again in 1573, when 2s. was paid to them, but no inventory of that date is entered in the book. The purpose of the inventory of 1561, possibly the one for the making of which 8d. was paid in 1559, and of 1594 does not appear; they may have been lists made by the churchwardens merely as matters of record. Nor is there any trace of a second Commission issued by Edward VI. in 1553 in which he directed surplus goods to be sold for his own benefit, and surplus vestments and coverings to be distributed among the poor of every parish. Probably a curious history lies under an entry in 1554, in which John Parker, the churchwarden, states that he had received of Mr. Blunt certain church goods. It is pretty clear that these had belonged to the church before the inventory was made two years before. Here we find a pyx restored; then the church only possessed the cover of a pyx. Mr. Blunt's man had to be placated

¹ 7th Rep. of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records.

with 6d. when Parker fetched "the cross and the rest of the church stuff;" and possibly the cross was the most important piece of it, as it is mentioned in this entry. At all events the goods were not in any very good condition, for the pyx and chrismatory required mending, and the censer required three chains.

Apart from these inventories there are several mentions of church goods. Payments for scouring the lamps, or the candlesticks, or the brasen stuff occur during the earlier years. At the Mass at King Henry's death two candlesticks had been coloured black. In 1566 the wardens bought a cup and pot for the communion board for 3s, and paid 6d. for the carriage of them from London. In 1571 they sold their chalice for £2 9s. 5d. and bought a communion cup for £2 2s. 2d.; the case in which it was kept required mending in 1597. The paten of a chalice was sold in 1571 for £1 7s. 6d. Two entries of 1548, of which the meaning is doubtful, may be mentioned here. A "Jack, two skuelles, and a bill" were purchased for 9s, and immediately afterwards, "A nother Jack" for 5s. 8d. The name Jack is applied to so many articles of common use that it is an indefinite term. Skuelles also is a word I don't know.

Surplices are the vestments most frequently mentioned, usually in connection with their mending. From beginning to ending of the accounts the washing of the "church clothes," the "church gear," or the "church linen" is entered in nearly every year, the sum throughout, with few exceptions, being 2s. The parson's surplice was "collored" in 1548. Whether this is "coloured" or "collared" the spelling leaves indefinite. In this year an arras covering which was used for the sepulchre was sold to Mr. Blunt for 6s. 8d., and two " tucking girdles for albes" were bought for 2d. Albes are several times mentioned variously spelled; in one place no doubt "hawbys" stands for this vestment. In 1554, the first year of Queen Mary, large purchases of stuffs and vestments were made. Vestments of white branch damask and of blue satin were bought, and also an altar-cloth, cloth for a corporas, dowles for new amices, and ynkel for lace for the same. Two new surplices were made in 1566, one of dowles and one of linen, the former costing 13s. and the latter 21s.; and in 1571 an old surplice was sold for 4d. In 1593 another new surplice was bought for 13s.

A set of Injunctions was issued by Edward VI., one of which ordered the clergy to take down and destroy such images as had

been abused in their cures with pilgrimage, or offering of anything made thereunto; and another enjoined them to "destroy shrines and coverings of shrines; tables, candlesticks; trindles of wax; pictures, paintings, and all other monuments of feigned miracles, pilgrimage, idolatry and superstition." An entry of the purchase of the King's Injunctions for 4d. occurs in the accounts for 1547, and the accounts for the next year contain an entry of 1s. 3d. paid to one John Davies for hewing down the seates of the images in the church, and for covering the destruction with white wash; and the sayle, possibly saye, or woollen serge, and old clothes that covered the Saints were sold for 3s. 4d.; and no doubt the extensive sale of church property recorded in the year 1548 was on account of its condemnation in the Injunctions.

Several purchases of books appear in the accounts. In 1547 the parishioners bought the King's book of Homilies for 1s. 4d.; in 1548 a "paraphrasis in English" for the church: in 1554 a "piece of a Mass book called the Canon and the Christening" for 1s.; a portuas for 5s. in 1555; and in 1560 a Bible for 13s. and a communion book for 4s, 2d. Besides the Injunctions procured in 1547, another set cost 6d. in 1560; and in the same year a book of orders for the church cost 2s. There are several entries of the purchase of paper, usually a penny worth at a time. In 1559 ink was included in that sum. Books were bought more frequently in later years. The accounts shew the following purchases; in 1562, a "little book bought of John Gough" for 3d.; 1566, a psalter and a "common prayer"; 1569, a book of Homilies; 1571, a book of Articles; 1580, a book of Homilies; 1580, a book of prayer touching the earthquake; 1581, a prayer book; 1590, a service book; and 1594, a book of prayer for the Queen's Majesty, and a book of Articles. In 1582, Edward Heks wrote in the Bible "where it lacked," and new bosses and clasps were put to it at a cost of 5s. 4d. In 1595, a new "fair English Bible of the last translation authorised for the use of the church" was procured for 16s., and a new large communion book for 6s. 4d. In 1598 a penny was paid for mending the clasp of the Bible. One Mr. Morrys, Relator to the Council of the Marches of Wales, had agreed to buy the old Bible, and had paid is. in earnest of his bargain; but he did not carry it out, and the 1s. was forfeited, and duly accounted for by the churchwarden, while the Bible was afterwards sold to Fowke

Broughton for 7s. 9d. The same gentleman had bought the "old communion book" in 1594 for 3s. 4d., while the following year 1s. 8d. is entered as having been spent on new binding and mending the clerk's psalter and the old communion book, "long before it was sold "being added in brackets. A Prayer-book and a statutebook were bought in 1598. Two Register-books are mentioned in the inventories of 1594. Previously to 1598, parish registers had been kept in paper books, but in that year an order was made that the paper books should be copied into parchment books, and the registers afterwards kept in them. Accordingly we find in the accounts for 1598 the purchase of a register-book for 11s., and a payment for copying the old one into it. This work appears to have cost altogether 45s., exclusive of 5s. to the minister to examine and approve it, and was done by Mr. Abraham Pilkington. In 1597 the churchwardens enter 2d. paid to Mr. Warmstry's office for a "prayer for the church in July, 1596, then newly set forth upon the then going out of the great fleet." This was a fleet equipped at Plymouth under the alarm of a second Armada, in which were embarked some 7,000 soldiers, to attack the Spanish dominions in Europe, and commanded by Lord Effingham, the high admiral. In the same year 6d. was paid for a brief touching abstinence from certain meals and meats, resort to the church, contribution to the poor, etc.

The Sepulchre, so frequently mentioned in the early years of the accounts, was a temporary erection of wood, which was draped with the most costly hangings the church could provide, and in which was placed an additional Host folded up in a corporas, a square piece of fine linen, consecrated by the priest for the Good Friday's celebration; for no consecration took place on that day. Decorated with flowers and lights, people gazed into it from Good Friday till early morn at Easter. Flowers were bought for the "tapers of the Rood light" at a cost of 2d. in 1547. Sometimes a niche in the stonework of the church on the north side of the chancel was prepared for use as a sepulchre. The last mention of the sepulchre in these accounts is in 1555. In years previous to this are entries for dressing the sepulchre, and the pins, thread, nails and wire necessary for the work. The cost of the lights at this and other ceremonies seems excessive in comparison with the amounts paid for candles in the later years of the account, when they were

used only for the purpose of lighting the church in the dark days about Christmas. In 1543 the lights cost 5s. Id. and 3s. 4d.; in 1545 7s. 1d.; in 1547 6s. $6\frac{1}{2}d$. and 2s. $5\frac{1}{2}d$.; in the latter case details are given so that it may be seen how the amounts were made up. In 1555 they spent 5s. for wax. In the later years from 1571 onwards an expenditure of 2d. or 4d. for wax candles from time to time sufficed to provide sufficient light for the services of the church. The lights mentioned are the rood light, the paschal light, and the font taper; and they had lamps also, a pint of oil for them sometimes costing 4d. and sometimes 8d. Frankincense was bought at several times, the last time in 1559. In this year there is a curious entry of 6d. for "lead and making tokens at Easter." At one time the remains of the wax, that which was not used for the tapers at Easter, was melted into little medals and distributed or sold under the name of "Agnus," of which practice this might be a modified survival 1. Six pounds of old wax were sold in 1566. In 1557 there are entries of coals bought at Easter, and in 1559 of charcoal, purchased in Lent. An entry of the same kind occurs in the St. Helen's accounts, and is noticed in the Introduction to them at p. 44. The "pair of showes" mentioned in an entry connected with tending the rood light in 1543 possibly denotes that the payment is for two usings or "shows" of the light. In 1559 are a series of entries, the only ones of the kind in the book, for sums received for the use of lights at the burials of certain individuals, and the reason for these receipts in this year only is obscure, but in 1546 there is a receipt of 4s. for "light money," perhaps of this nature. Indeed there are no mentions of burials throughout, except of those of the poor of the parish, and only one entry from which it can be inferred that burials in the body of the church took place. This is in 1597, when Mr. Edward Archepole took a gravestone out of the chancel and paved the place where it had been; for this privilege he paid 3s. 4d.

The first entry for "Housling Bred," that is bread for Holy Communion, is in 1559, and entries for it are only found during the next ten years. Wine for the Communion begins in 1558 and continues till the end of the book. The usual custom was for the bread and wine to be bought with the money collected from the communicants at Easter, which was divided between the clergyman

² Churchwardens' Accounts, St. Mary's, Reading, Int. viii.

and the churchwardens, and half the cost defrayed by each party. It is not impossible in the case of St. Michael's, since no entry for the purchase of bread occurs after 1569, that the minister found the bread as part of his share of the expenses. The amount paid for wine varies very much in the several years, and possibly items of this nature are sometimes omitted. In some of the years the date of the payments for communion wine are specifically given, and it may be taken that those were the days on which the sacrament was administered to the parishioners. In 1582, for instance, wine was bought on All Saints' Day, 17 Nov. (the day of the Queen's accession), Dec. 3 (possibly Advent Sunday), Passion Sunday, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Easter Eve, Easter Day, and Low Sunday. In 1592 on 11 July, 15 August, St. Stephen's Day, Palm Sunday, Easter Day, Low Sunday, and for communion since Low Sunday. In 1593 wine was paid for the first Monday in the new year, and on 1, 8, 12, 14, 15 and 22 April, and 10 June. In 1594, 23 Sept., 31 Dec., 17, 24, 25, 28, 30 and 31 March, 7 and 21 April, and Trinity Sunday. The quantities purchased vary from ½ pint to a gallon; the kind of wine is once or twice specified as Muscadell, or Muscadine, or Bastard wine; and the amounts paid in the several years vary so greatly as to lead one to suppose that sometimes the parson's share of the offertory was more heavily drawn upon than at others, though in the later years the sums are more nearly alike. In 1558 the Churchwardens spent 1s., the next year 3s. 0\frac{1}{2}d., in 1570 9s. 5d, and in 1582 4s. $7\frac{1}{2}d$. In 1591 the amount was 13s. 10d., 1592, 9s. $1\frac{1}{2}d$., 1593 and the three following years, something over 11s. In 1599 they paid 14s. 3d., and in 1601, 11s. 6d.

It appears to have been the custom at St. Michael's for the churchwardens to have the assistance of six of the parishioners, as sidesmen, in carrying on the affairs of the parish. They are called the "Six Men," and in 1550, 1551, 1553 and 1566 their names are given, while in 1567 they were to "continue as they are." At the election in 1566 their duties are given as follows, "to be joined with the said wardens for placing of seats, things to be done about the church lands, and necessary affairs about the church." In 1594 and 1598 a dinner for them was paid for at the visitation in those years. When a regular assessment on the parishioners for the relief of the poor was started 12 Aug. 1599, it was agreed to by the Six Men. There was a parish constable also, but his election is

never mentioned. In 1559 he was paid for "beacon money" 1s., and the next year the constable, then William Wright, paid 8d. for a seat in the church. Henry Symons in 1569, Henry Pincer in 1573, Humfrey Pervn in 1581 were constables. There is an entry in 1584, the meaning of which is obscure, and which seems to shew that at that time there were two constables, named Lynoll and Lye. These men were paid "for the subsidy of Edward Bullingham" 3s. In 1594 Stephen Rymill was constable, and he seems to have become in some capacity or other mixed up with a little history concerning a certain Flytt. Flytt, I suppose, was ill, and 5s. 6d. was given to him, and a further sum of 2s. 6d. was given to Rymill for him. Then we have an entry of 1s. to "hire women to search Flytt's child;" and last of all Flytt himself died and 6d, was paid towards his burial. In the same year some plague broke out in the parish, for certain homes became infected, and Rymill seems to have had to look after them; for several weeks 2s. Sd. was paid to these houses, from 8 April to 2 June. Rymill was a plumber, for 5s. was paid to him in this year for mending the lead of the church; and he paid 8d. for a seat in 1597. In 1599 Thomas Spilsbury was constable, and 8d. was paid to him for "a proclamation for weights and measures." The first year in which the appointment of collectors for the poor, the lineal forerunners of the parish overseers, is mentioned is in 1585. One of them was Simon Jones. Now Simon Jones, it appears, was a "tooth drawer," and a loan to him upon an "obligation which remained in the hands of Roger Folliot," on 29 Oct. of 20s., to be repaid the next Lady day, seems to have been a bad investment, for four years afterwards, in 1500, there are some entries relating to the tooth drawer's debt. The cost of "entering Mr. Picher" for the debt was 4d. There was money paid for a declaration and a "capias," which sounds uncommonly like somebody's body being in danger of going to prison, and then one Coterell "yielded to the debt." Finally in the same year Roger Folliot repaid the 20s. "Symons the tooth drawer" paid 6d. for a seat in 1582. Simon Jones fell into poor circumstances, and was a regular recipient of charity money after 1594.

Nearly every parochial ceremony formed the occasion of and an excuse for a good drink at the expense of the parish. After the churchwardens had rendered their accounts, they and the parishioners adjourned to the tayern, and though in this case, as

in others, the entries are not to be found regularly, it may be supposed that the practice continued all through the years, since the first payment of the kind is in 1547 and the last in 1598. Entries of sums spent in drinking at Easter are much more frequent. In 1543 3d. was spent in drinking, in 1555, 12d., and in 1558, on the parson and parish, is. 5d.; so the parson was not above mingling with his parishioners in the social glass. In 1567 the drinking on Easter Day was in the afternoon, when 3s. 8d. was spent; in 1573 on Easter Day, at night, when the cost was 1s. 4d. The sums tended to increase towards the end of these accounts. In 1584 the sum of 6s. is entered as having been provided for the parishioners by the parish towards the bout, besides, it is naively added, "the money they spent." Possibly it much depended upon the complaisance of those in office whether they spent out of their own pockets much or little; the sum provided at the election of new churchwardens and the rendering of the accounts of those who went out of office seems to have been a fixed one of 2s.; but the Easter amounts vary considerably. For several years there are entries of money paid for drinking at the "breaking up of the box," which is no doubt the same process as that described in 1590 as "parting the church money," probably the taking stock of and dealing with the money kept in the chest or "coffer," a function at which the curate was present at least in 1584, and one attended with the distribution of refreshment. In 1593 as much as 5s. 4d. was spent on this occasion. Many are the other excuses for the partaking of refreshment disclosed in these accounts. In 1545 the "writing of two inventories," in 1554 "making out the bill for the visitation," and in 1581 "granting a lease to Mr. Patrick," were "excuses for the glass." In 1551 the representatives of the parish took a bottle of Malmsey, and in 1573 a bottle of wine to Clifton, and in 1594 a "pottle of sack" to the Court at Severnstoke; in 1566 they spent 8d. when "we went to survey our church land at Clifton," and in 1569 3d. "before going to Clifton." There is a curious entry in the accounts for 1566, the meaning of which is doubtful, to the effect that the parishioners of St. John's and Whittington met the parishioners of St. Michael's at Mr Dighton's, for the "harvesting of men." Whatever this may mean it was also an occasion for drinking.

The names of the persons at whose houses the drinking took place are frequently mentioned, and no doubt they were the jovial landlords of that time, and most of them, since their names occur in other ways in the accounts, landlords of public houses in the parish. In 1554 the parish drank at Andrew Sutton's, in 1555 and 1558 at Mr. Bland's. In 1366 Mr. Dighton was the host they honoured with their patronage, but in the same year they patronised also one Kydson. In 1569 they went to three houses, Oseland's, Peryn's, and George Cardmaker's; the next year they went to Richard Alen's. To Mr. Dighton they went again in 1573 and at Easter in 1582. In later years Walter Walker's appears to have been their favourite hostelry, and there are also mentioned William Bristow's and Nicholas Phillips's. Walter Walker was sufficiently impressed by benefits received to leave the parish five pounds in his will, dated 9 April, 16031, in which year the parish drank at his widow's before going to Clifton. Edward, of the same surname, also an Innholder, left another £5 to the parish on 28 Sept., 1636. No doubt this was Walter's son 2.

From time to time there are entries which lead one to suppose the parish was in some way responsible for those of its parishioners who went to the wars. Whether they went voluntarily or involuntarily does not appear; possibly the latter, since in 1598 is an entry relating to one John Newesham, who "was pressed into Ireland," no doubt to take part in the suppression of the revolt of Ulster under the Earl of Tyrone, as a "soldier from this parish." He come back the same year, with a "license from his captain by reason of his sickness," and was given 5s. Charges on account of soldiers, usually setting forth to Scotland, and in 1560 to Berwick, occur in the years 1545, 1547, 1553, 1560, and 1569; and in 1381 the sum of 16s. was paid at the "setting out of footmen into Ireland." John Brabant, or Beaban, was the soldier who went to Scotland in 1547, and towards his expenses each of the churchwardens paid 2s. 6d. The parish possessed at least one suit of harness, which was "scoured" in 1569, "dressed" by Humphrey Peryn in 1579, and "scoured" in 1580 and 1592; and they bought harness from John Bland in the former of these years for 6s. 8d. They also possessed two swords, which were dressed at the cost of 2s. in 1558, and the same year they purchased a "soldier's coat" for 3s. 8d. They bought a bow for 3s. 4d. in 1558, and a sheaf of arrows in the same year for 2s. 6d., and another

sheaf at a cost of 1s. 6d. in 1569. In 1581 1s. 4d. was paid for the "training of soldiers."

The parish had to pay the King's subsidies in respect of their landed property. In 1545 they paid 26s. 8d. on this account, and in 1546 and 1547 they paid two moieties of another subsidy, 6s. 8d. each year, having in the former paid 4d. for making a "bill to the King's Surveyors for our church lands." In 1584 is again a mention of a subsidy, but the word in this case, one would think, must bear another meaning. In fact, it can hardly be surmised what the entry alludes to. The parish constables were pald 3s. for Edward Bullingham's subsidy. It was in this year too that there was the little difficulty with the curate about the seat Mrs. Bullingham had paid for, previously mentioned.

By the common law of England the onus of sustaining the poor, "so that none of them die for want of sustenance," lay upon "parsons, rectors of the Church, and parishioners 1," and by an Act of 27 Henry VIII. a parish that allowed its poor to beg openly was to be fined 20s. a week. Though its neglect was punishable against the parish, to relieve the poor was at first only a voluntary duty on the part of the parishioners, enforceable only by ecclesiastical censure. At the beginning of Elizabeth's reign this spiritual persuasion was strengthened by the aid of the Civil power against individuals also. The amount spent on the relief of the poor in St. Michael's parish varied considerably from year to year. Only 2s. seem to have been devoted to this purpose in 1546, while in the two years 1548 and 1549 the sum appears to have been £2 3s. 6d. About twenty years later distributions were made at Easter and Christmas, besides the sums given at other times. At this time the College, that is the Dean and Chapter, contributed to the relief at these two terms, the entries usually specifying that so much was distributed, "besides the money that the College gave." A distribution was also made at the "account," the day of passing the accounts and electing the churchwardens. In 1561 the entry runs thus—"Given in Alms to the poor of the parish at the said account, with 15d. the parish did drink, 4s. 4d." There is a reference to the money given by the College in 1583, when the amount was 8s., but there is no further mention of it. In 1590, Thomas Hare, Doctor of Physic, left his house to the

¹ Encyclopædia Brittanica, IXth Ed., xix. 462.

use of the parish, out of the rent of which, 12s. was to be given to the poor yearly, while the wardens were to be allowed is. for themselves. The sum was distributed to 12 persons at the rate of 1s. each, and lists of the recipients are afterwards given year by year. Henry Stanton, of Whittington, left 50s. to the poor in 1588, and 5s. annually was paid on account of it by Robert Chadbourne of that parish for several years, and by John Brayne in 1505, and an entry made from time to time that the capital sum was owing by him, till 7 Sept. 1595, when Brayne paid the 50s. to the wardens. Mr. Gardiner, of Himbleton, gave 10s. for the poor in 1594, and Mr. Backhouse 4s. in 1598. In 1597 the widow of Thomas Salway, who after his death continued tenant of the parish land at Severnstoke, left 10s. to the poor, which Thomas Baker paid. After 1599 the Bishop gave money every Christmas to be distributed to the poor. Mr. Hall's dole, whatever that might be, is mentioned in 1560; and in 1601 Mr. Chance, whose name is frequently mentioned, gave 20s. at his death.

Among the entries of charity-money distributed we find as follows:-Wood was bought for the poor at a cost of 2s. 2d. in 1548, and the same year is the following entry, which is possibly of the nature of alms, "delivered to Mr. Bland by the consent of the parish to bring two daughters of the woman of the palace to London to service, 2s." Shrouds were bought for various persons in 1548, 1570 and 1571, the cost being 2s. or 2s. 4d. In 1560 a "naked man in the church" was relieved to the amount of 4d. In 1567 a pair of shoes at a cost of 1s. 1d. were bought for Mother Margett. In 1533 the "porter of a hospital" received 4d. Sixpence was given in 1581 to a "poor man which came to the church to crave the benevolence of the parish," and 2d on St. Matthew's day in the same year to a "poor boy who came to the church to require alms." In the same year one Posterne, whose name frequently appears as a recipient of alms, had, by consent of the parish, 5s. "towards his journey to the buthes," possibly "baths," as in a case afterwards mentioned; and is, was subscribed by the parishioners "at the collection for Portsmouth." In 1581 Edward Archpole gave 6d. to "my fellow Fletcher's sister;" she afterwards died, and 1s. was given by him to a "maid that lay sick" in the same house; while at the account Fletcher was allowed 20s. towards the "cure in surgery" of his son Christopher. In 1582 mention is made of sums given to four poor men with licences; this probably refers to a provision in an Act of Philip and Mary, which enabled justices to license the poor of certain parishes to beg within a certain area, the said beggars wearing a badge both on the breast and back of their outermost garments. In 1591, 2s. was given to John Sherman "to bring him to London." In 1598 widow Hull had her rent paid for her, and 4s. was given to "a poor woman that Henry Conway had taken in as tenant, on consideration that she should depart out of the parish;" and in 1601, 3s. 4d. was "laid out when Joan Goodyear was wrongfully put into the parish to be relieved," an early instance of the tricks so frequently resorted to in later years to gain a settlement in a parish by a pauper who did not belong to it. In later years several of the paupers caused considerable expense to the parish. In 1599 the curing of Widow Elkyns's daughter cost 13s. 2d., and one Bristowe received 10s. "to bring him to the bath for the recovery of his leg." One wonders if Bristowe was afflicted with rheumatism, and if at this early period the remedial efficacy of Droitwich brine in such cases was a matter of belief. At all events afterwards Bristowe lodged with Symon Jones, and £1 5s. 4d. was paid for his lodging bill, and in 1601, £1 5s. 8d. Many years before, in 1584, "William Bristowe's poor children" had been relieved. About this time also the parish became possessed of a "poor child" whose maintenance cost the parishioners no small amounts. In 1598 £3 1s. 5d. was paid for his board and lodging at 10d. a week, and in 1599 widow Elkyns received £5 7s. od. for the same at 11d. a week. In 1601 the sum was 12d. a week, and the child was taken from widow Elkyns and placed in the care of widow Usherwood. Frieze for a coat and linen cloth for two shirts were bought for him in the same year for 4s., and finally, after staying for six weeks with Christopher Court, he was apprenticed to him, the parish paying 10s. for a premium, and is. for a "pair of indentures." This is an early instance of taking advantage of a provision in an Act of Elizabeth of the same year, which provided for the formal apprenticing of children instead of merely placing them out for support.

The appointment of collectors for the poor has already been noticed, and the rendering of their accounts is once or twice mentioned. An Act of 5 and 6 Edward VI. provided for the selection of two or more able persons to gather alms one holiday

in Whitsun week openly in the church, and they were to write the result in a book. Persons elected to serve this office were to be fined 20s. if they refused to act. In 1597 these persons were called Overseers, and the churchwardens and four other householders were to be appointed yearly by the Justices in Easter week to look after the poor, and there was to be a taxation, weekly or otherwise, of inhabitants and occupiers to provide for them, which was enforceable by distress. Lists of two of such taxations are to be found in these accounts, one made 12 August, 1599, and the other 15 Nov. 1601; and these lists are the lineal forerunners of the Valuation Lists of the present day, and may be taken as the very first that were made in St. Michael's Parish; for though differing in form, as imposing a monthly sum on each inhabitant instead of fixing the amount of the rateable value of his holding, they are the same in substance. In the first list are 27 names; in the second 36; and the sums imposed vary in the first from 8d. to 1d. each month, and in the second from 6d. to 2d. Four names in the first do not occur in the second, and thirteen names in the second are not found in the first, including that of Thomas Spilsbury, as to whom a note is made after the first list that he came "after this ceasement" but "paid of himself." They may be taken to contain the name of every householder in a substantial position in the parish, and it may be noted an innholder, Walter Walker, was assessed as highly as any other person. Innholding was a lucrative trade, even in those days. Of the first assessment seven persons only paid regularly, while in the other the necessity of doing so seems to have been more forcibly brought home to the parishioners. Of the three persons who paid nothing in the latter list two were in the same position in the former one. Each of these "Ceasements," as they are called, was made by the Six Men appointed for the parish in "the church there." Although the Act of 1597 made the churchwardens overseers, an office of which they have been relieved only so lately as the Local Government Act of 1894, the only connection they then seem to have had with these assessments in St. Michael's parish was to have them duly recorded in their book of accounts.

Disregarding for the present the sources from which the revenue of the parish was obtained, the accounts disclose the fact that there never was any lack of money for parish purposes, in spite of a rather lavish expenditure at times in the luxury of law. In only two years does there seem to have been a balance due to the churchwardens, in 1579, and in 1599, just after the parishioners had spent £10 in buying two tenements in Frog Lane. It was the custom to lend out the money to parishioners who each found a surety for its repayment, but this seems to have been not much more than a friendly office, since at the same time borrowers are sureties for others and sureties are borrowers themselves. The accounts open with two loans; sums from borrowers were received in 1540, and in 1542 there is a long list of moneys owing and an account of possibly a further distribution. In 1547, 1550, 1553, 1554, and 1555, there are lists of moneys owing, and in 1558 of certain repayments. The parishioners took stock of the debts remaining unpaid again in 1560, but afterwards there is no other list of this nature, though scattered entries referring to loans and repayments occur. 10 July, 1580, a resolution was come to to forgive and discharge a batch of parish debtors who had been in debt a long time, and of whom many were dead, and many were poor, for these and divers other good reasons. Mr. Richard Fisher was "the keeper of the church stock" for some years. He probably died about 1568; in the previous year he had resigned his position as one of the Six Men; and when he died it may be gathered that there was some little difficulty about regaining possession of the money then in his hands. In 1568 was paid 4s. 8d. for a "process to arrest Mr. Fisher's goods at his death for the church money;" in 1570 there is a receipt for "charges in law" concerning Mr. Fisher's debt, and in 1571 Mistress Fisher paid 26s. in part payment of it. John Danks appears to have been his representative; he paid £4 of the money in 1570, and with Roger Coffyn became surety for another £3, of which he afterwards paid £2, and George Wale, whose connection with the affair is not clear, another 13s. The money was kept after Mr. Fisher's death in a bag in the Communion-chest. Later on it was again placed in private hands; in 1582 Mr. Archbold, in 1583 Roger Folliot, and in 1593 Mr. John Bland, held the church stock. A bag for the church money was bought for 3d. in 1597. The parishioners were not above doing a little pawnbroking business; in 1586 they lent Thomas Flecher 30s. for a month, as security for which he put in the bag "a gilt salt with a cover." This was on 18 Sept., and on 23 December he repaid 20s., took away the salt, and deposited "two

spoons" as security for the remaining Ios. As well as providing sureties, borrowers sometimes gave a "bill," and the same was done by the incoming churchwardens for that portion of the parish money given to them as cash in hand when they entered upon their office. In the early portion of the accounts this was Ios. each, which was afterwards increased to 20s., and lastly became £6. In 1573 the one churchwarden had given to him 26s. 9d., and the other, Thomas Fydo, I6s. and the Communion-cup. That this latter stood in the place of money is evident, since Fydo at the next reckoning-day accounted for 26s. received, so that the transaction seems to have amounted to a sale of the cup for Ios.

The sources of parochial revenue were as follows: rents and receipts from parish property, money received from parishioners for sittings in the church, gatherings in the church, and from things that were sold; together with the sums received from charity and other various small items. Of these the most important source was the land the parish possessed at Clifton in Severnstoke, which had been given to it by John Robinson, Vintnor, by deed dated 20 Nov., 15181. The parish possessed also a house in the street called the Knowle, in the parish of St. Peter's, which had been "given and employed for the benefit of the church, parish, and poor time out of mind 2." By Dr. Hare's will they obtained in 1589 the house he had lived in, situated in the parish of St. Helen's; and in 1597 they bought a house in Frog Lane in St. Peter's, which was afterwards converted into two dwellings. The land at Clifton appears to have been all pasture, and a terrier of it was made 25 Sept., 1562, and duly copied into the book of accounts. In the accounts for this year is an item of 7s. 3d. for expenses of "going to Clifton to survey" our church lands," and besides 1s. 4d. was paid to John Wall for "carrying us down by water." From the number of small pieces mentioned and from their descriptions it would seem that many of them were undivided portions of larger fields, the names of some of these being Cott Meadow, Suffield, Woefield, Lewes Hill, and Hempstead. Many of the names mentioned have now disappeared, but there still remain in the locality, Astmore and Ouadmore, Sanford and Arle, and Hempstead, near Kempsey. It is not known at what date the parish parted with this property, but at the present time it belongs to the Earl of Coventry, and the pieces

described in the list are not to be recognised in the broad pastures and fields in the neighbourhood of Clifton, though something of the position of some of them may be made out. The word "farmdell," by which many of the plots are described, is not now known in the locality; it meant the fourth part of an acre, and was variously called "fardel," "farundel," "farthingdeal 1," and in Herefordshire "verndal."

The land at Clifton was held by lease by Richard Salway of Pirton at a rent of £2 13s. 4d. a year up to the year 1568, when Thomas Salway began to pay the rent. The old lease possibly ran out in 1580, for in that year is a mention of certain deeds newly made for the land at Clifton, and of the counterpart of Salway's old lease, while in 1581 Thomas Salway paid, in two instalments, a fine of £26 13s. 4d. on account of his new lease. Thomas Salway seems to have died in 1590, as from that date Mr. Salway's widow was the tenant till 1596, when she also deceased, leaving a legacy of 10s. to the poor of St. Michael's, which was paid by Thomas Baker; and from this time to the end of the accounts Thomas Baker paid the yearly rent, which remained at the same sum, namely £2 13s. 4d. In 1599 some entries occur relating to this property which shew that about this time a Commission, which included the Bishop, was appointed for the county and diocese of Worcester, to enquire into the employment of lands given in pios usus, the expense about which included a dinner for the minister, churchwardens, and some of the parishioners on the day they appeared before the Commissioners, and a bottle of sack for Mr. Coventry when he wrote the order made concerning the parish lands, which was sent to London for the Commissioners' signatures to it. The order is not set out, but from a later entry it appears that it consisted in raising Thomas Baker's rent from 26s. 8d. for the half year to £3 6s. 8d. He paid, however, only at the old rate then and afterwards. Whether his persistence in the old course was the breach of the order mentioned directly after its making is recorded does not appear, but this entry tells us that Mr. George Langford was paid 3s. 4d. to prosecute a breach of the order before "my Lord Keeper in the Chancery." The land at Clifton was copyhold. In 1569 the amount of an amerciament, or fine, at Stoke Court is entered, and 4d. charges thereabouts were paid in 1583. In the former year a quarrel broke

out between Mr. Clifton, a member of a family who lived at Clifton in Severnstoke for many years, who was the plaintiff, and the parishioners "about our church lands." It was not a manorial question, as Mr. Clifton was not lord of the manor, but its true nature is not disclosed. Whatever it was, it put the parish to considerable expense, and gave its leading men plenty to do. The case was heard before the Council of the Marches of Wales. There were ridings to Bridgnorth and to Ludlow, charges at Shrewsbury and Malvern, and expenses at Clifton, the entries concerning which form a great part of the accounts in the years 1569 and 1570. Mr. Clifton failed in his suit, which is clear from an entry concerning the "ordering and dismission thereof" at Ludlow, probably on the "morrow of St. Andrew's day" in 1570, in the accounts for that year. Mr. Scrope received 7s. for his pains at the Council, and so possibly was the barrister or solicitor employed by the parish. Possibly some charges in 1573 refer to this suit. Nicholas Frend seems to have received altogether £4 for making a new feoffment, which he wrote on parchment that cost the parish 5s., and he had a further sum paid him when it was sealed. Finally the expenses of going to Clifton "when we took possession" are entered as amounting to 3s. 6d.

There were trees on the parish land at Clifton; Thomas Salway the tenant bought two elm butts and two trees in 1571; and there are other entries about them. A dispute arose with Roger Lode concerning trees which again involved the parishioners in a controversy with Mr. Clifton about two years after the former one. Probably there had been a gale which had blown down a good deal of timber, and the parish sold it to Lode for 40s., who paid a shilling as earnest money in 1571. But before he could take them away Mr. Clifton seized them, and so he refused to carry out his bargain, and the parish went to law to compel him to do so. The case appears to have been heard at the Assizes at Evesham, though the final order was made at Worcester before the Council of the Marches of Wales. In the accounts for 1573 there are numerous entries of payments at Evesham Assizes, many of which ring curiously on modern ears. For "attending on the Jury," 4d. was paid, and Button the bailiff had 2s. for "watching the jury;" while the judge himself received 6s. 8d. for the "privy verdict." Perhaps this amount was paid for court fees, and the Judge stands here as

representing the court. However the end of it came on 10 June, 1573, when it was ordered that Lode should pay 39s. and 10s. costs, and perform his bargain, while it is especially stated that he could, if he liked, take his remedy against Thomas Clifton, gent., who he said had taken some of the trees from him. Whether Clifton in his action in this case remembered his defeat at the hands of the parish a few years before, Roger Lode himself appears to have borne no malice, for the next year he bought an oak from the wardens for is. Other charges in this matter are entered in the expenditure for the next year. Mr. Trovell probably was the barrister employed, and his fee was 6s. 8d.; while Mr. Poughnell the attorney got 2s. only. But other fees were paid. These two suits seem to have exhausted the energies of the parish, since after 1573 there is no further entry of any kind in the book of accounts till 1577. In 1580 the deed for the Clifton land was handed to the parish by Walter Walker.

In 1602 there are entries which shew that another suit in law was set afoot, which entailed a journey to Ludlow; but it appears to have had but a short run. It was to get Mr. Chance to make a new deed of feoffment for the parish land at Clifton, which he appears to have done at once, and the charges for writing, "effecting and finishing" the new deed immediately follow. Possibly this was the "parish business," on which the advice of Mr. Colles was taken, who in part, at least, was rewarded by a bottle of wine, as appears in the accounts for 1598. What Mr. Chance had to do with the parish property does not appear, but his name is frequently mentioned in connection with it. He died this same year, because the distribution of 20s. he left to the parish at his death occurs in the accounts for it.

The house which had belonged to the parish "time out of mind" at the opening of the accounts was in the tenure of Philip Lechmere, at a rent of 13s. 4d. a year. In 1548 a new "pentyce," or penthouse, was added to it, and weather-boards placed at its "back side." In 1546 Lechmere was allowed 5s. 10d. for repairs to his house, and two days' work was spent in repairing it in 1553; and in 1555 Robert Kent's name appears as that of the tenant. His payments became irregular in 1563, but he struggled on for ten years, when he appears to have got straight, but at once fell back again, and finally he ceased to be the tenant, and his goods were valued at £2 17s. 4d.

and sold in 1580. In this year the house was pulled down and a new one built, the items relating to which are set forth in detail in the accounts for 1580. It does not appear to have been an expensive process, the whole sum appearing to be £5 13s. 01d. The parishioners at this time were well in funds, since they had just received Thomas Salway's fine of £26 13s. 4d. for the renewing of his lease of the Clifton lands. A lease of this house was granted to Dr. Patrick, 30 Aug., 1579, and the attendant expense is entered under 1581. In 1582 there appear some entries concerning this house. To redeem the lease of Kent's house, possibly when he was sold up, the parish had promised to pay William Bacheler £6, at the rate of a mark, 13s. 4d., a year. Three years' payment of arrears of this £2 was made 6 May, 1582, and the receipt was formally written into the books of accounts, William Bacheler, who was a baker, duly making his mark beneath it; and in 1584 a further sum of 2 marks was paid to him. No further entry occurs relating to this arrangement, but £2 13s. 4d. was still due to Bacheler. Dr. Patrick lived in the house till his death in 1591, when a person whose surname is spelt variously as Shipsey, Shipley, or Shipside, came to live there. His Christian name was George, and possibly he was the son of George Shipside and his wife Alice Ridley, sister of the martyred Bishop of London, who had property at Redmarley Dabitot 1. In 1597 the house was in the tenure of Mistress Thomas Willis, and the next year Mr. Walsingham paid the rent for the house where "Mistress Willis late dwelt." In 1601 Dr. Eager was the tenant. The rent remained the same throughout. Possibly a payment in 1569, when the masons received 1s. 8d. for "making the stone walls about the little house at the church end," refers to this property.

The house left to the parish by Dr. Hare came into the possession of the parishioners in 1594, and the rent they received for it was 14s. a year: the litigation with reference to it with the Dean and Chapter has been previously mentioned. No tenant's name is mentioned till 1599, when it was in the tenure of Richard Honyett, and so remained till the end of the accounts. Previously to this mention the parish received the rent from Mr. John Chance by the hands of John Ballard, who possibly occupied it, as it is sometimes called Ballard's house. In 1594 the Dean was paid 10s.,

which was to go to Mr. Cyrell for making a release concerning this property.

The house in Frog Lane was bought for £10 in 1599; Mr. Wyatt drafted the conveyance, for which he received 10s., and the "books," a deed of feoffment, an indenture of uses, and a bond for further assurance was engrossed on parchment at a cost of 5s. A further sum of 5s. was paid for sending the conveyance to be sealed in London, and the money was sent with it, as the payment was to be made there. Afterwards this house was converted into two dwellings, and in 1601 Robert Hussey and John Long were the two tenants at a rent of 12s. a year each. Neither of these persons were assessed to the relief of the poor, so their means were probably narrow.

In 1570 two entries occur relating to gardens, one belonging to John Gough, the other to some one unspecified, possibly also his. The rent of John Gough's garden, 1s. 8d. a year, was paid to the wardens by William Bristowe towards the payment of "his" debt, but the pronoun leaves it undetermined whose the debt was. The rent of the other, 2s., was possibly applied in the same way, but this is not declared in the entry. The rent of a garden at the latter sum was received in 1571 also, and in 1573 another 2s. for one of Gough's gardens. A Roger Gough was relieved with parish money in this year.

In 1559 Mr. Bland had in his custody 28 pieces of evidence and writings relating to the parish lands, and in that year he shewed them to the parish at the account, and they were redelivered into his keeping. They were in his possession at his death, and in 1566 1s. 5d. was spent in obtaining them from certain persons, possibly his executors. They were then, when they numbered only 19, put into a chest with three keys, which was given into the custody of Mr. Doctor Hare, and a key given each to Roger Foliott, George Wall, and Nicholas Broke. Three years later a box "to put our evidents in" was purchased at a cost of 6d.

Several trades are mentioned apart from those of the several persons employed in the regular way by the wardens, and the surnames of several persons are derived from the trades they or their fore-fathers exercised. The earliest trades mentioned are those of pewterer, brotherer or embroiderer, scrivener, bockeler maker, weaver, taborer or drummer, if this can be called a trade, and tailor. The "little tailor by the stair" received alms in 1553, possibly the same

as John Tomson the tailor relieved in 1558. A glover is mentioned in 1595. The tenant of "Anes the chanter" is mentioned in 1554. The surnames taken from trades are more varied. Capper, Pewterer, Putchmaker, sometimes Puchmaker and Porchmaker, possibly Pouchmaker, Cardmaker, Organmaker and Doctor, both women and both named Katherine, Skinner, Baker, Hatmaker, Nayler and Maltman, usually written Malten, occur during the early years. A Spurrier is found in 1573, and persons named Fletcher, derived from the trade of butcher, occur frequently.

Several entries can hardly be understood. In 1551 "the receipts of the Scott" forms a heading under which are entered payments of small sums by three persons, and following this is an entry of the receipt of 7s. 3d. as "the sum of the offering," what offering being unspecified. In the same year also occurs this, "for loking of a writing to a master of law," 3s. 1d. In 1559, 9d. was paid "for Queen Mary's obit."; in 1567, 2s. for making an indictment against John Symons "for fighting in the church upon Easter Day," and in 1571, 9d. to the "clark of the Commemoration." In 1581, 5s. was "delivered to the goodman Parryes at the minster topte," and in 1594 the wardens purchased "half a strike of beare" or barley for 2d. In 1596 the wardens paid 6d. "to the office for fees due upon the exhibiting of our bill touching the enquiry and presentment of recusants," and on this occasion the wardens and other parishioners who were presentors treated themselves to a dinner at Walter Walker's at a cost of 3s.

In a work of this nature it is hardly possible that it should be carried out without errors creeping in, and for these I crave the kind consideration of those who may discover them. One or two I myself have observed, which have escaped notice in reading the proof; but none I think which are of importance enough to warrant especial mention. After the following list of churchwardens I have placed a few remarks which the Rev. A. S. Porter has kindly written upon the fragment of the accounts of St. Helen's prefixed in this book to those of St. Michael's in Bedwardine.

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LIST OF CHURCHWARDENS

Of St. Michael's in Bedwardine mentioned in these Accounts, with their probable years of office:-

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1539	Roger Bury.	1557	Hugh Fletcher.
	William Pers.		John Oseland.
1541	Mr. Burn.	1558	William Bland.
	Thomas Go.		William Grafton.
1542	William Burnham alias	1559	William Lyc.
	Skinner.		Henry Malten.
1543	Daniel Boyce.	1560	John Parker.
	Richard Wake.		Humphrey Stathan.
1544	William Bland.	1561	Roger Foliott.
	John Malte.		Nicholas Broke.
1545	Richard Fisher.	1562	Nicholas Broke.
	John Taylor [? Apowell].		Thomas Naylor.
1546	Richard Fisher.	1563	Thomas Naylor.
	John Apowell.		Roger Foliott.
1547	John Hyett.	1567	John Oseland.
	Richard Alen.		John Birde.
1548	Roger Foliott.	1 568	John Birde.
	John Hastings.		Humphrey Peryn.
1549	Roger Foliott.	1569	Humphrey Peryn.
	John Hastings.		William Ford.
1550	Nicholas Burnam	1570	William Ford.
	[? Brooke].		Roger Foliott.
	George Wall.	1571	Roger Foliott.
1551	Nicholas Brooke.		Thomas Mucklowe.
	George Wall.	1572	Robert Wall[ker].
1552	William Bland.		Thomas Mucklowe.
	John Danks.	1573	Thomas Mucklowe.
1553	John Parker.		Thomas Fydo.
	Richard Acton.	1574	Thomas Fydo.
1554	Richard Fisher.		Roger Coffyn.
	George Wall.	1579	Richard Alen.
1556	Hugh Fletcher.		Walter Walker.
	William Wright.	1580	Edward Archpole.

1580	Thomas Fletcher.	1592	Thomas Mynshewe.
1581	John Bland.		Morris Davys.
	Richard Chelmarsh.	1593	John Bird.
1582	Roger Folliott.		Thomas Crompton.
	Richard Chelmarsh.	1594	Thomas Crompton.
1583	Roger Foliott.		Nicholas Archbold.
1584	John Byrde.	1595	Nicholas Archbold.
	William Ford.		Guthlake Foliott.
1585	William Ford.	1596	Nicholas Archbold.
	Nicholas Phillips.		Guthlake Foliott.
1586	William Ford.	1597	Morris Davys.
	Nicholas Phillips.	1598	Morris Davys.
1587	Nicholas Phillips.		Nicholas Archbold.
	Walter Walker.	1599	Morris Davys.
1588	Walter Walker.		Nicholas Archbold.
	Nicholas Chelmarsh.	1600	Morris Davys.
1589	Nicholas Chelmarsh.		Nicholas Archbold.
	William Elvins.	1601	Morris Davis.
1590	William Elvins.		Nicholas Archbold.
	Robert Carrington.	1602	Morris Davys.
1591	Robert Carrington.		Nicholas Archbold.

Thomas Mynshewe.

THE CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS

OF THE

CHURCH OF ST. HELEN, WORCESTER.

THOUGH old Worcestershire Churchwardens' Accounts have hitherto been little studied, few documents are more capable of throwing light on the religious customs of our forefathers, and a careful study of them will ever enrich our knowledge of the history of the period to which they belong. Many of the details may be dry, but everything is from its very nature so perfectly reliable that their contents are most valuable for a Society like ours, whose aim is to provide absolutely trustworthy material for the future historians of our County.

The accounts of the Church of St. Helen in the City of Worcester for the years A.D. 1519 and 1520 (the tenth and eleventh years of King Henry the Eighth) are a natural introduction to the accounts of St. Michael in Bedwardine, which form the corpus of this volume.

No earlier accounts are known to exist in the County of Worcester, those of Badsey beginning 1529, St. Michael's 1542, Littleton 1548, and St. Andrew, Worcester, 1587. Extracts from those of Badsey and Littleton have been published by the late Mr. Wadley in the 'Midland Antiquary.' It is very possible, however, that earlier examples may exist in our Worcestershire parish chests, though we can scarcely hope to vie with the account rolls of St. Michael's, Bath, which extend from A.D. 1349 to 1575, or with the splendid series published by the Somerset Record Society in their volume for 1890.

We owe the preservation of these St. Helen's accounts to the fact that Richard Mukelow was Churchwarden in both years, that he kept them among his own papers, and that they have been carefully preserved by his descendants. They have been kindly lent to us by Sampson Zachary Lloyd, Esq., of Areley Hall, who is the representative through the Zachary family of the Mucklows, and has inherited their estates and papers.

Among these latter are several which throw much light on the history of the family. Richard Mucklow seems to have been a partner with his father, William Mucklow, as a merchant at Antwerp and Worcester, and he was evidently at Antwerp during part of the time covered by these accounts, for a letter is extant from the father to the son dated Tuesday, July 19, 1519, desiring him to purchase there various articles, among which he specified "a cross bow with "a rack to it, the smallest little rack that can bend the bow."

They seem to have prospered in their business and bought the manor of Martley, which then included Areley, and to have held property in Worcester, in Kempsey, at Crowneast and at Halesowen.

Richard is described in the Visitation of 1569 as living at "Hodon in com Worster." This is Holden, or, as it was sometimes called, Howdends, in the parish of Kempsey; it was sold by his descendant, William Mucklow, on the 11th of September, 22nd of James 1st, to Sir William Courter of London.

Our Churchwarden married Catherine, daughter of John Arden of Warwickshire, and had five sons and two daughters, one of whom married Edward Reynales. His relations with his son-in-law do not seem to have been cordial, if we may judge from the following letter dated December, 1548, from Anthony Harccourt to Thomas Ardern at the Lodge, co. Warwick:

"If any one goes before Christmas to Master Mucklow, you may "send word that it is a mortal shame that he pay not his money "to his son-in-law for he has sent Master Mucklow in pleasures "worth 20 marks and he never sent him again the value of "a cheese."

The will of Richard Mucklow is dated March 9th, $155\frac{6}{7}$, he is described as of Howden in the parish of Kempsey. He desires that his body should be buried at Marteley in the parish church, and leaves the greater part of his property to his eldest son Symon.

The accounts of St. Helen's are well written on fine sheets of the well-known hand paper, which had no doubt been brought by Richard Mucklow from the Low Countries, where that description of paper was chiefly made. Just as foolscap takes its name from the original water-mark, so hand-paper, which was generally 12" by

 $8\frac{1}{2}$ ", took its name from its own water mark, a hand pointing to a five-pointed star. This was one of the oldest marks, and was constantly used by the presses of Germany and the Netherlands in the early days of printing.

The accounts themselves present few points of difficulty, notes have been added at the base of each page where explanation seemed to be needed, and it is only necessary to refer here to a few points which appear to call for more detailed comment.

First as to the date when the year was held to begin. The date chosen at St. Helen's was the Feast of the Conception of the Blessed Virgin, December 8th. This choice is unusual, Wardens' accounts being generally presented in January, February or March, though there are instances of the year running from Michaelmas to Michaelmas.

The evidence as to Seat Money is curious and interesting. It is unnecessary to say much on this matter here, as fuller evidence is forthcoming from the accounts of St. Michael in Bedwardine. It seems certain that money was paid to the Churchwardens and the seat reserved for life or for some term of years with their full knowledge and consent, and it will be observed that at this period, as was the case earlier, the *men* seldom availed themselves of this privilege. Langland describes Envy as

"yparoked in puwes" Among wives and wodewes."

It will be noticed that the "organs" occupied their usual place in the roodloft. The invariable use of the plural form of the word is well explained by Dr. Hopkins in his papers on the "English Mediæval Church Organ" in the Archæological Journal, vol. 45. No mention is made of any stipend for the organist, and there is no trace of the existence of a choir. Only five other parish churches in Worcester had organs, viz., All Saints, St. Andrew's, St. Michael's, St. Martin's, and St. Peter's. They also existed at the Black Friars and the Grey Friars, the latter being in the Choir. There were three pairs of organs at the Cathedral, one in the Chapel of St. Edmund, one in the Chapel of St. George, and one in the Choir.

Holly and ivy were purchased for the Christmas decorations. The charge not unfrequently occurs in Churchwardens' accounts

about this date. Thus we find in the books of the parish of St. Lawrence, Reading, in A.D. 1505:—

Item payed to Makrell for the holy (holly) bush agayn Christmas ijd.

According to the evidence before us it would appear that the Churchwardens of St. Helen's collected what they could in Peter farthings and made up the balance. Robert Farmer was the Rural Dean of Worcester, and it was through him that the Peter farthings were paid. That this was part of the duties of his office appears from the following Charter of Bishop Simon:—

"Ego Symon Dei Gracia Wigornensis Episcopus dono et perpetualiter concedo fratribus et filiis nostris ejusdem nostri sedis Denarios Sancti Petri quos *decani* nostri de terris eorum exigere solebant."

The "Waking of the Sepulchre" by two paid men was observed at St. Helen's, it is called in these accounts "waching the light about the sepulchre." In the Yatton accounts we have the same custom mentioned under different forms, e.g.

A.D. 1455, for the mynde of Wylliam Maleyll and Annese Harris ijd.

A.D. 1468, to J. Harnell for ij nygts wakyng the sepulcure ijd.

The entry for "collis (charcoal) for hallowing the fyre" is worthy of notice. The whole office for the Benediction of Fire on Easter Even is given by Chambers in his "Divine Worship in England," page 201. The full meaning of its symbolism and its early history is very obscure. Chambers states that the rite can be traced back for fourteen hundred years, and some students of ritual have held that it was originally a pagan custom, which was afterwards hallowed to Christian uses.

Charges are made for the hallowing of a "corperas" or corporal and also of a chalice. The chalices, patens and corporals were never used till they had received a solemn Benediction by the Bishop, and these offices of Consecration form an important part of all the Ancient Pontificals from the time of Ecgbert, A.D. 740 downwards.

Those who are interested in this matter will find the subject treated in Chambers' book with the utmost elaboration and care.

This benediction could not have been performed by the Bishop of Worcester, for Silvester Gigles was then in Rome. We find from the Register of Prior Moore that about this time Ralph, Bishop

of Ascalon, was acting as suffragan, and that he held an ordination in the Charnel House Chapel, it is therefore very probable that it was he who hallowed this chalice and corporal. In some churchwardens' accounts the fact that the suffragan had given the Benediction is specially noted, thus at Yatton we find this entry:—

A.D. 1453 pro consecratione campane, suffraganeo vjs.

It will be observed that the Wardens charge for the writing of their accounts by a hired hand, and as Bishop Hobhouse has pointed out, they were obliged to trust that hand for spelling, a craft then in its infancy, and enjoying the widest freedom from rule.

A. S. P.



CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS

OF THE

CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

AND OF

ST. MICHAEL'S IN BEDWARDINE,
IN THE CITY OF WORCESTER.



CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS

OF THE

CHURCH OF ST. HELEN IN THE CITY OF WORCESTER, FOR THE YEARS 1519 AND 1520.

Sent Helyne Churche.	The accompt of John Father and Richard Mukelow wardens of the Church aforesaid from the feste of the Conceptione of Our Lady anno xº unto the same feste anno xjº that is to say for a hole yere complet.
Arr:	of money received of the arrears as ap-
	pereth in the foot of the laste accompt
	viijs. ijd.
Lux fulgebit 1.	of money received at Crestomas viijs. vijd.
Pascall money.	of money received at Estur xxs. vd.
Whitsonetide.	of money received Nichill nl.
Oure lady light2.	of money received iijs. vjd.
S. Katherine light2.	of money received iijs. iiijd.
Standing afore the Churche,	of money received at the Fayre ijs. ixd.
Clark's wages.	of money received of diverse of the parish
0	as apperethe be a bill for half yere
	xlijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Peterfarthings.	of money received ijs. ijd.
Pewe money.	of money received of John Taylur wife
Tewe money.	wever iiijd. of John Tailur wife cocos³ iiijd. of John Weber wife the younger iiijd. of Andrew Alsope wife iiijd. of Jone Ballingham iiijd. of Margere
I " I uv fulgebit hodie super	nos" is the 2 The Lady Chanel and St. Katherine's

Introit for the Missa in Aurora on Christmas Chapel were the chancel aisles of the Day in the Hereford and Sarum Missals.

[&]quot; "Lux fulgebit hodie super nos" is the 2 The Lady Chapel and St. Katherine's ³ Cook. Church.

Collies iiijd. of Marget Glover iiijd. of Thomas Collens wife iiijd. of William Baker wife iiijd. of William Penrice wife viijd. of Thomas Bullengham wife iiijd. Forene recept. of Edmonde Childe for the hold organs xxxiiis. iiijd. Sm. tolis recepts vil. viiis. ixd. Ferst we ask alowance for holly and eyvy Alowance. agenst Crestomas ijd. and for collis 1 at Estur unto the hallowinge of the fyre ijd. and for the skoring? of the latene stuf agenst Estur vijd. Clark's wages. Item paid unto Edmond Coombs clark for his wage for the space of half a yere xls. Item paid for j unce of Venis 3 gold ijs. iiijd. Reparacions of the Vestments. Item for ij ells and half Towke 4 Item for sewing silke iiijs. ijd. Item for Dymy silke vjd. Item for the weving ij unce silk iiijd. Item for thred vd. Item for iij quarters and j nail Damask vjs. vjd. Item for a yard and half canvas vid. Item for serving Candill jd. Item paid unto the browderer for the space of x daies and half by the day viid. Sm. vjs. ijd. xxiijs. vd. Charge about the new Item paid for the taking downe of the old organs and the lofte of them and for organs. the mending of the Rode loft iiijs. iiijd. and for paving stone in the churche xxijd. and for lyme and sande ijd. and for a workman and his servant for paving in the Churche for the space of

j day ixd.

vijs. ijd.

[·] Charcoal.

² Scouring.

³ Venice.

⁴ Tuke, a kind of buckram.

Charge about the Bells.	Item paid Alexander Stilband for the mending of the clappers of the bells with other eyron warke unto them vjs. viijd.
Charge about the making of the new house for beris 1.	Item paid for the timber, bords, eyron warke and carpenter's wage vijs. ijd.
Reparacions of the Jewells.	Item paid for the mending of the best crosse and for the mending of a chalis iijs. ixd.
Forene exp.	Item for cloth and for the making of a surples unto the parish priest viijs. and for the mending of the Clarke surples iiijd. and for the hallowing of corperas and gurdells 2 viijd. and for the mending of the bawdricks 3 of the bells vjd. ixs. vjd.
13	Item more paid unto Robert Farmer for
ν	the Peterfarthinge iijs. Item paid unto Mr. Thomas Monox for the making of light and wax the space of this accompt xxxvijs. vjd.
2)	Item paid for the making and writing of this accompt viijd. Sm. tolis allowance vjl. xixs. viijd. and so the allowance excedit the charge the sm. of xjs. so that the church is
	in dett at this accompt.
	Verte follm.
Clarke wage owing for	Mr. Thomas Ybull for a quarter xijd.
the yere paste.	Rowland Instoke for a quarter jd.
	Thomas Hoper for a quarter jd.
	Robert Bere for a quarter jd. John Wever cowper for a quarter jd.
	John Wever cowper for a quarter jd. Elsabeth Perkens for a quarter jd.
	Roger Colley for half yere ijd.
	John Corbett for half yere ijd.
	Robert Smeth for half yere ijd.
¹ The parish bier. ² (Girdles. 3 Leather straps for hanging the clappers.

	John Golderney for half yere	ijd.
	John Wells for a quarter	jd.
	Robert Ionson for a quarter	jd.
	Robert Robenson for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
	Richard Swayne for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
	Willm Smeth for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
	Willm Sharp for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
	Ellenor Ellows for half yere	ijd.
	Margere Yong for half yere	ijd.
	Elsabeth Marthene for half yere	ijd.
	Richard Mother for half yere	ijd.
	Thomas Fene for half yere	ijd.
	Margere Meunes for half yere	ijd.
	Richard Tuke for half yere	ijd.
	Anne Martene for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
	Oswald for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
	Davy Dipper for half yere	ij <i>d</i> .
		iiijs. vjd.
Pewe money owing	Richard Collins Taylur	iiijd.
	Stephene Ellows	iiij <i>d</i> .
		viij <i>d</i> .
Inovements 1.	Item. A awter Clothe with a	fringe of
	the gefte of Thos. Alowther.	
	Item. Half a ell of fyne hullan	d of the
	gefte of John Apries wife.	
S. Helene Church.	The accompt of Richard Muke	
	Thomas Bullengham warder	
	Church aforesaid from the fes	
	Conception of our Lady anno	•
	the same feste anno xij that	is to say
	for the hole yere complet.	
Arr:	of arrears none as appeareth in the last accompt.	e foot of Nichill.
Lux fulgebit.	of money received at Cristemas	
Paschall money.	of money received at Estur	xixs.
Pentecoste.	of money received at Whitsontide	all costs
		ciijs. iijd.

A most unusual word. It seems to mean "new things."

Standing afore the Church. Owre lady light. S. Katherine light.	of money received at the fayre dais ijs. of money received of the said light iijs. of money received of this same light iijs. iiijd.
Peterfarthings.	of money received of Peterfarthings ijs.
Set money.	of money received of Richard
with the same of t	Herken iiijd.
	of John Russell wyf iiijd.
	of Ioan Favell iiiid.
	of Robert Taylur iiijd. iijs. iiijd.
	of Andrew iiijd.
	of John Orton iiijd.
	of Robt. Hid's wif iiijd.
Clark wage.	of money receyved for hys first
	quart xxs. ixd.
	of money receyved for hys se-
	cond quart xixs. iiijd.
	of money receyved for hys third
	quart xixs. iiijd.
	lixs. vd.
	Summum totlis recept cxijs. xjd.
Alloc.	Ferste we ask alowance for holy
	and eyvy agenste Crestomas ijd.
	Item paid more for the mending
	of the lampe ixd.
	xjd.
Reparacion abowte the	Item paid for timber unto the same iiijd.
beris.	Item paid for nails and taks iijd.
	Item paid for claspes jd.
	Item paid unto a carpenter for ij
	daies wage with a clap making xijd.
	xxd.
For the making of the	Item paid for thre bords xijd.
covering over the beris.	Item more for tymber for legg
	and unto the fete ijd.
	Item paid for nailes ijd.
	Item paid gemellis i ixd.
	Item paid for carpenter for ij daies xijd.
	iijs. jd.

Mending of the Setts.	Item paid for tymber unto the sam	ne ij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid more for iiij claspes	
	eyron	iiijd.
	Item paid unto a carpenter for	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	*7
	a day and half wage	ixd.
		xvd.
Mending of the Churche	Item paid unto a glasyer for the	
Windows.	mending of the Church	
	Wyndowes	vjs.
	Item more paid for lyme, sande	. ,
		: 1
	and nailes unto the same	vjd.
		vjs. vjd.
Repairs abowte the Bells.	Item paid unto Willm Phily for	
	the mending of a bawdrike	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid unto the same for new	
	bawbrike	xijd.
	Item mor paid for ij new mor	20.500
	besid	: 1
		xvjd.
	Item mor paid unto Blok the	
	Carpenter for the tynsshing ¹	
	of iiij of the bells	xviij <i>d</i> .
	Item for a man to helpe hyme	vd.
	Item paid unto Saunders Smith	
	for eyron work unto the same	vd.
	· ·	
	Item paid for nailes unto the same	
		vs. jd.
Reparacion of the Boks.	Item paid unto Fred Glover for	
	the bynding and coverng of	
	the servyce boks	iiijs. iiijd.
For the Peterferthings.	Item paid unto Robert Farmer	
, ,	for the Peterfarthing	iijs.
For the Clark Forene	Item paid unto John Sadeler our	1.,,00
expenses.	clark for his wagis for the	
	space of three quarter wagis	iij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid for the mending of	
	a chalis	ij <i>d</i> .

The same as "trussing," i.e. banding the bell yokes with iron straps going through the cannons.

	Item paid for the skowring of canstyks 1	viij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid for a rolle 2 unto the	,
	priest on Palmsonday	jd.
	Item paid for wachinge of the	,
	light abowte the Sepulcre	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid unto Nicholas Moris	,
	for his laber on Palmson-	
	daye and Good Fridaye	iiijd.
	Item paid for the mending of	,
	a Senser	va.
	Item paid unto the Ringers on	
	our Dedicacion Daye	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid for a key and for the	,
	mending of ij loks in the	
	Rode loft	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid for the hallowing a	•
	chalis	viij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid for iiij gerdells	jd.
	Item paid for the skowring of	
	ij basons agenste Reliko	
	Sunday ³	
	Item paid for a corde unto the	
	organs	
	Item paid for a rope unto the	
	litell bell	iiijd.
	Item paid for vij ells of cloth	
	unto a surples unto the	
	clark iijs. vjd. and unto the	
	makyng thereof xd .	iiijs. ijd.
		vijs. viijd.
· ·	Item paid for ij strike lyme	iij <i>d</i> .
	Item paid for ij strike sand	jd.
	Item paid for ij bords	vijd.

¹ Candlesticks.

² The bede roll on which was entered the names of all benefactors. It was read over from the pulpit to the parishioners several times in each year.

³ Relic Sunday, the third Sunday after Midsummer, for the reverence of Saints' relics.

Churche oweth

Item paid for lathes and nails iijd.

Item paid unto a Tyler and his man for a day xd. ijs.

Waxekamber.

Item paid unto M. Monox for wax and making of light unto the Church xxxvjs. iiijd. Sm. to lis alowance vjl. xjs. xd.

And so the said wardens have paid more than the charge xviijs. xjd. beyond the xjs. owing to M. Monox and so the hole dett that the

xxixs. xjd.

CHURCHWARDENS' ACCOUNTS,

ST. MICHAEL'S IN BEDWARDINE, WORCESTER.

I. [1539.] THE xvj day of November, the xxxjth yere of the Regne of ** Lord Kynge Henry the viijth, Roger Bury and William Pers alias Backe * in the presence of the hole or most part of the parishoners there ylded theyre Accompts and all thynges allowed and Discharged. The said wardens owght to the churche use of the perments [sic] of the same churche iiijli. xijs. vd., wherof the above namyd Roger Bery owyt weat [sic] to the said Churche iijli. xijs. vd.

[The above is crossed through with one slanting penstroke, and some portion of this and the following leaf is destroyed.]

Item delyueryd to John Mathewes, pewterer, xxs.

Item delyueryd to John Hyett, Scryuener, xs.

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Ib.

2. [1542.] The Accompts of Mr. Burne and Thomas Go * churche-wardens for the yere last past, taken by thassent of the hole parishe ij day of November and and [sic] so the said wardens ware dischard, full accompt elded, savyng savyng [sic] the church owethe to Mr. Borne vs. Thus done the Day above specified, xxxiiijth yere of Kynge Henry the the [sic] viijth.

Detts due to the churche that day and yere.

William Curtes owith

Master Moris owith

[Above this is interlined, "which most be payed at Saynt Mary day by Mr. Borne's hands."]

Davy Capper

John Bynley

Margery Froney

Thomas Archarde

vs.

xxxiijs. iiijd.

xxxiijs. iiijd.

John Frende	XXS.
Johannes Pewtterer alias Mathewe	xls.
John Scryvener	Xs.
William Pers alias Baker	XXS.
Johannes Asterley	vs.
Walter Skynner	xxxiijs. iiijd.
William Blande	liijs. iiijd.
Johnsone the Brotherer	vs.
Thomas Gowld	xls.
Phillipe Lechmore	vs.
Came thelder and Came the yonger	xiijs. iiijd.
Jeffrey Tayler	xxd.
Richard Parker	vs. iiijd.
John Gought	xliijs.
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Summa xjli. xs.

- 2b, 3, 3b. [Three blank pages follow the above. Several of these names are marked with crosses in the margin, and against the cross is placed a small "p." Against the amounts following the names so denoted there are also crosses. A light scribble in the margin against Johnsone the Brotherer's name reads as follows: "Note. Ye churche owyt him iiijs."]
- 4. Memorandum that I, Roger Hughes, parsone of Saynt Michel's in Bedwarden, receaved of the church money xj/i. xviijs. iiijd. to be distrubuted amoungst the parishioners there, to be paid at the next day of accompts.

Imprimis delyuered to William Burnham alias Skynner one of ye wardens XXS. Item delyuered to John Mathewes, pewterer XXS. Item delyuered to John Hyette, screvener XS. Item to Thomas Putchmaker XS. Item to John Gowgh XXS. Item to Thomas Bydell XXS. Item to John Lynley vs. iiijd. Item to Davy Capper VS. Item to John Davys VS. Item to John Frende, without a bill XXS. Item to Thomas Johnson VS. Item to Thomas Bylford VS. Item to John Esterley, smyth VS. Item to Roger Wills iijs. iiijd.

Item to Richard Wakë	xs.
Item to Thomas Gowld	vjs. viijd.
Item to Jeffrey Tayler, —bury	VS.
Item to Maister Came and his sone	xiijs. iiijd.
Item to Archard	vjs. viijd.
Item to Curtes	vs.
Item to Maister Burne	xviijs.
Item to Maister Blande	xxs.

Summa xjli. xviijs. iiijd.

[Thus far in firm good handwriting: most of the names have "p" and a cross before them. At the bottom of the page in another hand and in varying ink, as if written at different times, begins what follows, which is continued over leaf.]

[1540.] Memorandum that the parson hathe made his account for thys some a bove wret the second day of Nouember the xxxij yere of owre souerent lord Kyng Henry the viij^t.

Item Wyllyam Fener owyt xxvjs. iiijd.
Item Robert Penryce owyt xxxiiijs. iijd.
b. Item Received of Maistres Frewen the same day xxs.

4b. Item Received of Maistres Frewen the same day xxs.

Item Received of Roger Bury xijs. vd.

Item Received of Roger Bury and Wyllyam Baker iijli.

Item Received of Nycolas Horganmaker xs.

Item Received of Mr. Blande for his fathur and hym self xlvs. vd.

Item Received of Wyllyam Stener xls.

Summa Recepta in Mr. Borne's hands, xvjli. xiiijs. ijd.

5. [1543.] The accompts of Mr. Daniel Boyce and Richard Wake, churche wardens of the parishe church of Saint Mighel's in Bedwarden, made the second daye of Nouember the xxxv^{teth} yeer of the raygne of our Soueraigne Lorde King Henrie height, in the presence of the hole or most parte of the parishoners there.

Recepta per magistrum Danyell Boyce.

Imprimis Received of Mr. Blane the ixteth daye of Nouember xxvjs. viijd.

Item received of the said Mr. Blane xijd.

Receipts of Richard Wake.

Imprimis received at the hands of Maister Burne for Thomas Archard vjs. viijd.

XXS.	Item received of Mr. Burne for Willyam Baker
ier vs.	Item received of the said Mr. Burne for John Scryuen
iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .	Item received of the said Mr. Burne for Jeffrey Tailer
	Item received of Mr. Richard Salwey for the half y
	of the ground lying within the parishe of Stoke
xvjs. viij <i>d</i> .	
viijs.	Item received at Ester
viijs.	Item received at Whitsontyde for the churche ale
V 2-J	Summa vli. vs. iiijd.
	•
,	b. Exposita per eundem Wake.
vd.	Imprimis paid for lampe oile
	Item paid for tacketts, pynnes and threydde to
ijd. ob.	sepulcer
	Item paid for shuttyng of the claper of the sacring
xijd.	Iron warke to the stocke of the same bell
ij <i>d</i> .	Item paid for a key to the olde church box
	Item paid to Vulfray the clerke for watching on Easte
_	ltem paid to John Gowlde for tending the rode light
ixd.	of showes
xijd.	Item paid for scouring of the lampe and candlestiks
ijs.	Item paid for wasshing of the churche Geare
iijd.	Item paid on Ester daye drincking at the taverne
vjd.	Item paid for mending of an Awbe and a surpeles
half yere	Item paid to Maister Wyche for his wages for the
xiijs. iiijd.	
xiijs. iiijd.	Item paid to the clerke for his halfe yere's wages
xiijs. iiijd.	Item to the clerk for thother half yere's wages
s Archard	Item paid to the hands of Mr. Burne for Thomas
vjs. viijd.	
xxd.	Item geuen to Jamys Capper
athewes jd.	Item paid for ale at the waying of the bell at John Ma
ij <i>d</i> .	Item paid for writing of this booke
	Exposita per magistrum Danyell Boice.
the light	Imprimis paid to Laurence Perott for making of
vs. jd.	at Christmas
	Item geuen to a pore sicke woman in the churcheyard
	Item paid to the said Laurence for making of the ligh
iijs. ivd.	
J	Summa iij/i. vs. vijd. ob.

There remay neth in the wardens handes xxxixs. viijd. ob. Sum owght xljs. vd. ob.

Of the which sum remayneth in hands of Danyel Boyce xvijs. jd.

The reste of the sayd sum, videlicet xxiijs. iiijd. ob., remayneth in the hands of Richard Wake. Payd therof to John Malteman as apperith by his accompt. iijs. iiijd.

[In another hand.]

6. At the same daye the parishoniers hathe chosen Wyllyam Blande and John Malte, Churche wardens for thys yere foleying and have delyuered to the sayd Blande xxxiijs. in money with the Jewels of the sayd churche.

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8. [1545.] Decimo quinto die mensis Novembris Anno domini millesimo quingentesimo quadragestimo quinto.

At whiche daye Richarde Fisher and John Taylor were made by the consent of all the parishyners church wardens of Saint Michel's in Bedwardyne. And then they recevid of Mr. Blande and John Malteman xxiijs. overplus of their accomptes as apperith by the same.

The Accompt of John Apowell and Richard Fisher, Church Wardens of the parishe of Seynt Mighelle's in Bedwardyne, Anno domini millesimo ceccexly, et xvº die novembris. Et anno regni domini Henrici oetavi xxxvijº.

The Recepts of John apowell.

Imprimis of Philip Lechemer for on holeyeres rent of his house due at Mighelmas last past xiijs. iiijd.

Item receaved of Willyam Bland and John Malten churchewardens last before xxiijs.

Item received of John Hardwick preste for Lyndleye's dett iijs.

Item received of the Hostlyng money at easter vs. vjd.

Item received of John Malten for on quarter's rent for the pasture at Severne Stoke xiijs. iiijd.

Summa totalis recepta lviijs. ijd.

Payd bie the said John apowell.

Imprimis for the Subsidie
Item for on quarter's wage to the clerk

xxvjs. viijd. vis. viijd.

	Item for the Rode light and sepulter light	vijs. jd.
	Item for the dressyng of the sepulter	iiij <i>d</i> .
86.	Item for a cheyne to tye the Bible	iiijd.
	Item for a peare of gloues for the clerke's ease	ijd.
	Item for oyle	jd.
	Summa xljs. iiijd.	1 - 6.1
	And so there remaynes due to the churche in the han	
	said John, all thynges allowed hym	xvjs. xd.
Т	he Recepts of Richard Fisher.	
	Imprimis of William Skynner of Dett that he ow	ed to the
	churche	XXS.
	Item received of George Malten for iij quarters' re-	nt for the
	pasture aforesaid due at Mighellmas	xls.
	Item received of William Saunderson for the dett	
	Mathewes	iijs. iiijd.
	Item received of the seid Hardwick for Lyndleye's det	t vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
	Summa totalis recepta iij/i. xs.	
P	ayd by the said Richard Fisher.	
	Imprimis to the parson for ij quarters' stipend	xiijs. iiijd.
	Item payd to the clerk on half yere's wage	xiijs.
	Item payd to John Malten for the conductyng of a sol	ldyer vs.
	Item for the weshing of the churche clothes for on hole	e yere ijs.
	Item for ij bell ropes	xxd.
	Item for scowryng of candlesticks	ixd.
	Item for a balderick for a bell	viijd.
9.	Item for Coles at Easter	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item for frankensence	ijd.
	Item for Whitson farthyngs	vd.
	Item for mendyng of ij Surples	iijd.
	Summa totalis xxxvijs. iiijd.	
	And so there remaynes in the handes of Richard Fish	er althyngs
		xxijs. viijd.
	And so there remaynes in the handes of the seid ward	
	the churche	xlixs. vjd.

[1546.] The Accompt of John Apowell and Richard Fysher Churchewardens of the parishe of Seynt Mighelle's in Bed-

wardyne in the xxxviij° yere of our soueraigne lord Kynge Henrie the Eight.

The receipts of John Apowell.

Imprimis of Philip Lechmer for on yeres rent of his house xiijs. iiijd.

Item received of John Hardwick for Lyndley's dett iijs. iiijd.

Item received at Easter for hoselyng money vjs. ijd.

Item received for Roode light xxd.

Item received of William Saunderson for John Mathewes' dett

Summa xxxiijs, vjd.

9b. Payd bie the seid John.

Imprimis gyven in almes to the pore ijs. viijd.

Item payd to Thomas Barbor for makyn the rode lyght and the paschall vjs. vjd.

Item at Easter for coles frankensence and for a peare of gloves for the clerke xd.

Item for scowryng of the greate lampe ixd. ob.

Item payd for the rerage of the Whitson farthynge to Edward
Porter

vd.

Item for dressyng of the Sepulture at Easter iiijd.

Item for the bawdrick of a bell viijd.

Item allowed to Philip Lechmer for the reparacions of his house

Item for makyng of a bill to the Kyng's surveyors for our church landes iiijd.

Item for mendyng of a seate ijd.

Summa xviijs. vjd. ob.

And so there remaynes in the handes of the seid John to be payd to the churche xvs. xjd. ob.

The Recepts of Richard Fisher.

Imprimis of George Malten for on yere's rent of the pasture at Severne Stoke liijs. iiijd.

Payd bie the seid Richard.

Imprimis for oyle and frankensence ijd.

Item for makyng of dores to seats in the churche xxijd.

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	Item payd to the parson for his stipend for iij quarters of the
	yere xxs.
Ο.	Item for mendyng of Mr. Borne's seate and his wiffe's viijd.
	Item for moving the pulpitt and mendyng the seate where he
	stode xvjd.
	Item payd to Thomas Gold for ij keyes and for hynge for
	seate xxd.
	Item for the subsidie for the churche lands vjs. viijd.
	Item gyven to the pore ijs.
	Item for weshing of the churche clothes for the yere ijs.
	Item for mendyng of Surples iiijd.
	Item for Whitson farthynges vd.
	Item for a bawdrick for a bell viijd.
	Item for recordyng the last yere's accompt and this yere's
	accompt xxd.
	Summa xxxviijs. vd.

And so there remaynes in the hands of the seid Richard to the churche xiiijs. xjd.

This Accompt allowed there remaynes in the hands of the seid John and Richard clere to the churche xxxs. xd. ob.

[This last sentence has been written a second time and then crossed out.]

106. [1547.] Detts owing vnto the churche of Seynt Mighelle's in Bedwardyne and not payd the vij daye of January Anno Regno Regio Henrici xxxviijo

Imprimis John Gough dothe owe bie his owne confession in the presence of the parishe xliijs. Item Richard Walker dothe owe XXS. ob. Item Danyell Boyse xxxs. ixd. Item Margery James, late Frewen's wiff xls. Item Thomas Johnson, broderar 1.2. Item George Woolfe VS. Item John Mathewes, pewterar xvs. iiijd. Item Jefferey, taylor VS. Item David, capper VS. Item Mr. Thomas Mores xxxvjs. iiijd.

xxxiijs. iiijd.

Item William Burnam alias Skynner

Whereof payd to Richard Fishar xxs. and to John Malten iiis. iiiid. and so remaynethe Item Thomas Porchmaker VS.

- 11, 11b, 12, 12b, 13, 13b. [Three blank leaves follow, one of them being composed of a piece of parchment from a manuscript missal.]
- 14. [1547, Dec. 26.] This is the accompte of John Hyett, Churche wardyne of Saynt Michel's in Bedwardyne, beinge within the Countie and Dioces of Worcester, made on Saynt Steven's daye in the fyrst yeare of the raygne of our Soueraigne Lorde Edwarde the Syxt, By the grace of God Kynge of England ffraunce and Ireland, defender of the fayth and of the Churche of England and also of Ireland in Erthe the supreme heade.

The Receytes.

Imprimis Receyved of Richarde Fysher xs. Item received of Rycharde Salwey of Pyrton for halfe yeare's rent due at the Annunciation of our lady xxxvjs. viijd. Item received of Hustlynge money vijs. xd. Item received of lyght money iiijs. Item received of Richarde Salwey of Pyrton for halfe yeare's rent due at the feast of Saynt Michael tharchaungell

xxxvjs. viijd.

Item Receyved of Philippe Lechemore for halfe yeare's Rent due at the feast of Saynt Michaell tharchaungell Item Received of Thomas Skere for his seat and his wyffe's xijd. Summa iiijli. iis. xd.

The paymentes.

At Chrystmas for the Roode lyght and the lampe lyght [sic] Item for the makynge of xxvti li. waxe xijd. ob. Item for xiij li. newe waxe iiijs. viijd. Item for flowres for the Tapers of the Roode lyght ijd. Item for fyve waxe Tapers for the lampe viijd. Summa vjs. vjd. ob.

14b. At the Kyng's Highnes' dirige and masse.

Item for fyve Tapers xd. Item a masse jd. Item for the mendynge of the bere and herse iid. Item for the Colowrynge of two wodden canstycks blacke ijd. Item for brede and ale for the ryngers then iiijd. ob. Item for ryngynge vjd.

the Kyng's	Item for two papers of the Kyng's Armes to sett on herse Summa ijs iiijd. ob.
	Dumma jo mja ovi
	The mendinge of the seates in the hyerende of the Chu
xiiijd	Item payde for two bordes
iijs. vjd	Item payde for a C and a halfe of bordes
viijd	Item for Nayles
ij <i>d</i>	Item payd for ij peces to make Joystes
	Summa vs. vjd.
the lampe	At Ester for the sepulte lyght, the pascall lyght, light, with the fonte taper.
ij <i>d. ob</i>	Item payde for vth li. waxe makynge for the pascall
vjd	Item payde for the wast of the pascall
•	Item payde for iij Tapers for the sepulter for makyn
vj <i>a</i>	waxe
vja	Item payde for the wast of the said iij Tapers
ampe taper	Item payd for one li. waxe and for makynge of the la
ixa	with the fonte taper
	Summa ijs. vd. ob.
	Townshow passessing belonging to the Churche
iiijd. ob	5. For other necessaries belonging to the Churche. Item payde for lampe Oyle for the hole yeare
iiijd	Item payde for fraunconicens for the hole yeare
	Item for nayles and pynnes for the Sepulter on Pal
	and wyer for the Curteynes for the Sepulter at
jd	Item for Coles at Easter for the fonte
•	Item payde to Nycolas Broke for the makynge of
iiijs. iiijd	with a herse
	Item payde to Thomas Golde for the dressynge
iiijd	for the said bere
-	Item payde for Skowrynge of all the church brasyn
xvjd	Item payd for glasynge of the Churche wyndowes
s's Highner	Item payde to the seconde payment of the Kyns
vjd. viijd	subsidye for the Churche landes
l <i>ob</i>	Item payde for nayles to mende the whele of the bell
hele of one	Item payde to Nicholas Broke for mendynge the v
viijd	of the belles
vd	Item payde for a newe bell rope
ijd	Item payde on Trinitie Sonday at the Colledge

Item payd for the sowders goinge furthe to Skotland at Richarde Fyssher's doore towarde the eight shyllings to John Apowell vijd. Item payde to John Brabant at his goinge furthe to Skotland ijs. vjd. Item payde to Nycholas Broke for mendynge of the payse of the lampe jd. xd. Item payde for a newe Balryche for one of the belles Item delyucred to the poore sycke woman next the parsonage xijd. Item payde at the visitacion at the delyuerance of the byll of presentment ijd. Item the Kyng's Iniunctions iiijd. Item the boke of the Syxe Articles iijd. Item the pane of the pater noster the Articles of our faith with the ten Commandments of God ijd. [A pen stroke has been run through this item.] Item payde for the settynge on of a borde on the churche dore jd. Item the Kynge's boke of the Homyles 15b. Item payde to iijth men for rynginge at the procession for the victorye in Skotlande iijd. Item for wasshynge of the Churche clothes xijd. vis. viijd. Item payde for the poore manne's cheste Item this boke jd.

Summa xxxijs. ijd.
Summa totalis xlixs. ob.

So there remayneth in the handes of the said John Hyett all thyngs before dyscharged xxxijs. ixd. ob. to the Churche.

16. [1548, Nov. 1.] This vs the Accompte of John Hyett, Churche wardyne of Saynt Michael's in Bedwardyne, beinge within the Countie and Dioces of Worcester, made on all Sowlen Day in the seconde yeare of the raigne of our Soueraigne lorde Edwarde the Syxte, By the grace of God Kynge of Englande Fraunce and Ireland, Defendour of the fayth and of the Churche of England and also of Ireland in Erthe the supreme head.

The receytes.

In primis receiued of Rychard Salwey of Pyrton for halfe a yeare's Rent due at Thannuntiacion of our lady

xxvj^{ti}s. viijd.

Item received of Philippe Lechemore for halfe yeare's Rent
due at Thannuntiacion of our lady vjs. viijd. Item receyued at Easter of huslynge money ixs.
Item received of Richarde Salwey of Pyrton for halfe yeare's
Rent due at the feaste of Saynt Michaell tharchaungell
$xxy^{ij}s$. $xij^{ij}d$.
Item receyued of Philippe Lechemore for halfe yeare's Rent
due at the feast of Saynt Michaell tharchaungell vis. viiid.
Summa iijli. xvs. viijd.
The paymentes.
In primis for the payntinge of the iii Aulters iiijs.
Item payed to John Davyes for hewinge downe of the seates
of the Images in the Churche and whitelymynge the
Churche xvd.
Item for lyme and sande iiijd.
Item payed for a border sett at the aulters ende iijd.
Item payed for pynnes and Nayles for the dressyng of the
Sepulter at Easter jd. ob.
Item payed for the makynge of a tapur to sett on the Aulter
at Easter before the Sepulter iiijd. ob.
Item payed to Robert Browne for a Jacke two Skuelles and
a byll ixs.
66. Item payed for a nother Jacke to the Tayler at the Knowle end
vs. viijd.
Item payed to Antony Tollye for the makynge of the dexte at
the pulpyt iiijd.
Item payed for the Iron Worke for the same dexte to Thomas
Golde viijd.
Item payed for the makynge of a new pentyce at Philippe
Lechemore's howse and for wether bordes to sett on the
backsyde of the howse
Item payde for a C or Oken bordes ijs. viijd. Item payed for one Helme borde for the same vid.
Item payed for one Helme borde for the same vjd. Item payed to the Carpynter for his laboure xijd.
Item payed for Nayles for the same vd.
Item for francombesence for all the hole yeare jd. ob.
Item a paraphrasis in Englyshe for the churche xjs.
Item payed for glasynge of the Churche wyndowes xvd.
Item for Tylinge of Philippe Lechemore's howse as followeth
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ST. MICHAEL'S IN BEDWARDINE, WORCESTER. 21 vd. Item payed for lyme and sande Item payed for Tyle[s] [the "s" is omitted] iiiid. ob. Item payed for ij Tylers for a daye's worke xijd. Item for washynge of the Churche clothes xijd. Summa xljs. vd. remayneth xxviiijs. iijd. all ys iijli. viijs. ob. to the Churche whereof is payd iijli. vijs. xjd. [ix has been written over.] This ij accompte made and discharged by the presence of the hole paryshyoners. [Written in the margin, "I moste be alowed vd. Whytson fardings."] 17. [1547.] The accompt of Richard Alen for the first yere of the raigne of Kyng Edward the Sixt. The receyts of the seid Richard. In primis of John Apowel. XS. Item of Philypp Lechemere for halfe yere's rent of his house endynge at the Annuntiacion of our ladie vis. viiid.

Allowance to the seid Richard.

In primis for fyve peare of hyngs for seats in the churche xd.Item for nayles to the same id. Item for a bawdricke to a bell iiijd. Item for mendyng of the sacrament and a barre to the churche vd. Item for mendyng a dext jd. Item for corde for the sacrament and thryd for the sepulcre jd. ob. Item for nayles to the same Item for mendyng of ij surples ijd. Item for weshyng of the churche stuff xijd. Item payd to John Beaban apoynted soldyer towards Scotland ijs. vjd.

Summa viijs. ijd. ob.

Summa xvjs. viijd.

And so he owes viijs. vd. ob.

17b. [1547.] The seid Richard Alen's accompt for the second yere of Kyng Edward the Sixt.

Recepts.

In primis of Richard Acton for wyer

xd.

Summa xd.

Allowance.

In primis payd to Maryan a pore woman Item for weshing the church gere

iiijd. xijd.

ijs.

Summa xvjd.

And so there remaynes to the seid Richard vjd.

- [1547. Nov. 1,] The seid accompt is allowed payd and discharged, except jd. ob. whiche is remitted, apon All Soule's daye in the second yere of the raign of the seid Kyng.
- 18. At the whiche day Roger Folyatt and John Hastinges were made by the consent of all the paryshyoners churche wardens of Saynt Michael's in Bedwardyne, and then receyued of John Hyett and Rychard Alen the over plus of theyre Accompte iijli. xvs. iiijd., as yt appereth by these presentes.

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19. [1548, Nov. 1.] The accompt of Roger Follyatt, Churche warden of the parishe of Seynt Mighelle's in Bedwardyne, beyng Churche warden from the feaste of All seynts in the seconde yere of the raigne of our Soueraigne lord Kyng Edward the Sixt, vntill the fourth day of Januarij in the fourthe yere of the raigne of our seid soueraigne Lord.

The Receyts of the seid Roger.

First receaued bie the handes of John Hyett apon his accompt iijli, xvs. iiijd.

Item of Mr. Salwey for on hole yere's rent of the ground liijs. iiijd. which he hathe

Item for an Ares coueryng which was used to the sepulter sold to Mr. Bland vjs. viijd.

Item for a lampe and a senser weying xxli. iiijs.

Item for ij standerdes of brasse and ij candle sticks and a tynacle of brasse for Hollywater weying iij quartens of C. xiiijs.

Item for a copper crosse Item for a platter xviijd.

Item for a Holywater pott of 1:d and certeyne organne pypes of led weyng halfe C and xijli., at ob. the li.

Item for xiij li. of pewter of organne pypes and chelles for tapers at ijd. the li. ijs. ijd.

ST. MICHAEL'S IN BEDWARDINE, WORCESTER.	23
19b. Item for ij small belles weying vjli.	ixd.
Item for a laten bason	ijs.
Item for the case of the organnes	viij <i>d</i> .
Item for the coffer of the organnes	ijs.
Item for the topp of the pulpitt	ij <i>s</i> .
Item for the fob of the pulpitt	ij <i>d</i> .
Item for the sayle and old clothes to couer saynts i	ijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for the table that stode on the high alter	xij <i>d</i> .
Item for the table that stode on the syde alter	viij <i>d</i> .
Item for the table of an other side alter	viijd.
Item for the trymmer ouer the high alter	xxijd.
Item for ij frames and the endes of the high alter	and the
frame of the sepulter	xvjd.
Item receaued at Easter in the iijde yere of our souerais	gne lord
the Kynges raigne of Hoselyng money	vjs.
Item receaued at Easter in the iiijth yere of his grace raig	gne
	iiijd. ob.
Summa ixli. vjs. vijd. ob.	
First gyven bie the consent of the parishe to Roger Wil and to Ankerett Bayliff xijd. Item delyuered to John Apowell to bye wood for the po	ijs.
Item spent at the taverne bie the parishe after the accom	* -
Item delyuered to Mr. Bland bie the consent of the pa	arishe to
bryng t[w]o daughters of the womans of the p	alace to
London to service	ijs.
Item for bell ropes at on tyme	xij <i>d.</i>
Item gyven to the gold smight for weyng the Churche p	late ij <i>d</i> .
Item lend to Ales Hatmaker bie the consent of the pari	ishe vs.
Item for wrytyng of ij Inventaries of the churche goode	es to the
Kyng's commissioners	wiii d
Item spent on the parishenors at the same tyme at the tave	viijd.
Item gyven in almes in the parishe at Easter in the iijde	-
43 17	erne vjd.
the Kyngs grace raigne	erne vjd.
the Kyngs grace raigne Item payd for the fyndyng of Ankerett Bayly and on to l	erne vjd. e yere of xijs.
Item payd for the fyndyng of Ankerett Bayly and on to l	erne vjd. e yere of xijs.

Item for Whitson farthyngs for the same yere

vd.

20b.	Item for bell ropes at ij other tymes vjd. at a tyme xij	d.
	Item for making of tapurs to the churche x	d.
	Item gyven in the parishe at Easter in the iiijth yere of ti	he
	Kynge's grace raigne xjs. viij	
	Item for ij formes for the communion to be receaved at iii	s.
	Item for wrytyng of scriptures and payntyng the churche aft	
	ijd. the yard xiijs. iiij	
	Item for x dayes and halfe for pargetyng and whitenynge the	
	churche iiijs. v	
	Item for pieces to make sise	
	Item for a barell of lyme xiij	d.
	Item for caryage of the same	d
	Item for ij tuckyng girdles for albes	d.
	Item for Whitson farthyngs for the iiijth yere of the raigne of t	he
		d.
		S.
		js.
	Summa iij <i>li.</i> xixs. ixd.	١٠.
	Summa nju. xixs. ixu.	
	The whiche some allowed of iijli. xixs. ixd. there remaynes to	:0.
	the churche vli. vjs. xd. ob. the iiijth day of January	
	anno 1550.	
	The whiche vli. vjs. xd. the said Roger hay the paid in the presen	
		Se
	of the hole parishe and dyscharged.	
		. ,
21.	The Accompt of John Hastyngs churche warden of the se	ıd
	churche duryng the seid tyme.	
T	ne Receyts of the seide John.	
	ffirst receaved of Mr. Salwey for the rent of the churche groun-	de
	for on hole yere liijs, iii	
	Item of Philip Lechemore for the rent of his house for on ye	
	and halfe	
	Summa iij <i>li</i> , xiijs, iiijd.	٠٥.
	Summa njin injin	
Pa	syments made durynge the seid tyme bie the seid John.	
	ffirst to bie John Knight a srowde i	js.
	Item for the colloryng of the parson's surples iii	d.
	Item for mendyng of the same at ij other tymes iiij	
		d.
	Item for mendyng of ij baldericks for the belles viij	
	vii)	C# 0

Item for takyng downe of the alters and pavyng	where the seid
alters stode	iijs. iiijd.
Item for vj strike of lyme	xvd.
21b. Item for the fachyng of the same lyme	jd.
Item for ij C of bricke to pave with	xviij d .
Item for the caryage of the same	vd.
Item for sand	ij <i>d</i> .
Item for mendyng the wall under the chaunsell	wyndowe and
stoppyng of holes in the seid chaunsell	xd.
Item for weshyng for on hole yere	ijs.
Item gyven in almes at Cristemas in the iiijth ye	re xs.
Summa xxiijs. ja	₹.

The seid some of xxiijs. jd. allowed there remaynes to the churche apon this accompt js. iijd. the iiij day of January in anno 1550. The which sum of js. and iijd. the said John Hastings hathe paid in the presens of the hole parishe and is dyschargid.

22. Churche wardens chosyn at the same day.

Nicholas Burnam.

George Wall.

vj men chosyn the same tyme.

Richard Fysher.

William Bland.

John Apowell.

John Hastyngs.

Richard Alen.

John Walton.

Paid the same day by Mr. Fysher and John Aphowell for dyschard of theyre accounts and so they rest dettors vppon a tryall.

22b. [The next page is blank.]

23. [1550, Jan. 5.] Money distributed of lone amongest the parishenors to be payed to the churche agayne to the handes of the vj men chosen or to thre of them on this syde the feaste of All Seynts next ensuyng the date hereof apon theire names as followithe. Done apon twelthe yeve, Anno R. R. Edwardi vj^{ti} iiij^{to}.

[In the margin] xd. [sic] viijs. iiijd.

236.

First lend to Roger Follyatt havyng for his suertie for the
payment thereof Thomas Gold xiijs. iiijd.
Item to John Hastyngs havyng for his suertie Richard Fissher
xiijs. iiijd.
Item to Robert Browne havyng for his suertie John Danks xxs.
Item to Thomas Powell havyng for his suertie John Apowell
xiijs, iiijd.
[This entry is crossed out.]
Item to Richard Acton hauynge for his suertie William Wright
XS.
Item to Hugh Flecher havyng for his suertie Mr. Richard
Fisher vs.
Item to John Malten havyng for his suertie Mr. Fisher
xiijs. iiijd.
Item to William Wright hauyng for his suertie Richard Acton xs.
Item to John Oseland hauyng for his suertie Roger Follyatt
xiijs. iiijd.
Item to Leonard Patricke hauyng for his suertie Thomas Gold xs.
Item to Thomas Payne hauyng for his suertie John Apowell and
Mr. Fisher vs.
Item to Thomas Hammon havyng for his suertie William
Burnam vs.
Item to George Wall church warden vjs. viijd.
Item to William Watson hauyng for his suertie Richard Ligh
vjs. viijd.

Summa vijli. vs. and xiiijd. more dronke at the taverne amongest the parishenors and so the hole somme is vijli. vjs. ijd.

24. [1551.] This ys the accompte of Nycolas Broke and Gorge Walle, churche wardynes of Saynt Michel's in Bedwardyne, beinge within the Countie and dioces of Worcester, the xv day of November the feyfte yeare of the Raygne of our Soueraygne Lorde Edwarde the Syxte, Be the grace of God Kynge of England Fraunce and Ireland defendour [this word is repeated] of the fayeth and of the Churche of Englonde ande allso of Ireland in erth the supreme head.

The Receytes.

In primis Received of Fylype Lechmore for the holle yere's rentes xiijs. iiijd.

Item Rasawyd of master Sallway for the holle yere's rente		
	liijs. ivd.	
Item Resawyd for the pore men's box	iijs. iiijd.	
Summa iij <i>li.</i> xs.		
The Receytes of the Scott.		
Item Rasawyd of John Danks	iiijd.	
Item Rasawyd of Harry Malten	viijd.	
Item Rasawyd of Humfre Smythe	viij <i>d</i> .	
Summa xxd.		
Also the summa of the ofrynge	vijs. iijd.	
24b. The paymens.		
In payment to Hughe Carpenter	xd.	
Item for a pottyll of mamsey to Clefton	ixd.	
Item goyng to Clefton	viijd.	
Item goyng to Clefton a gayne	xijd.	
Item for mendynge of a Loke in the quire	vjd.	
Item for papure	jd.	
Item for a Bell Roppe	viijd.	
Item a pare of Jemeles	iiij <i>d</i> .	
Item for a Booke	xijd.	
Item goynge to Clefton for ye Harryett	vij <i>d</i> .	
Item Jewyng vn to the pore	xvjs. ij <i>d</i> .	
Item for mendynge of the Roff of the churche	xxd.	
Item for stolls for the tabell	viij <i>d</i> .	
Item for Wetson fardyngs	vd.	
Item for mendyng of a glasse	iiijs.	
Item for lokyng of a wryttyng to a master of law	iijs. jd.	
Item for a Jemell	ijd.	
Item for whytlymenge of the churche	iij <i>d</i> .	
Item for weysshynge of the clothes for the holle yere	ijs.	
Item for mendyng of the hawbys and towells and sur	ples viijd.	
Summa xxxvs. vijd.		

25. [1551.] The Acownts off Nycolas Brooke and George Waule, churche wardens of ye paryshe of Seynt Mychel's in Bedwarden, made before ye whole parysheners there the xx day of November in ye fyft yeare of ye Rayne of King Edward ye vj^{ti}.

ffyrst received of ye foresayd churche wardens for ye ouerplus off theyre acount for this there yeare xliijs. iiijd.

And so be dyscharged.

And so remaynethe in Philipe Letchemore's hand for the haulfe yere's rent of his house vjs. viijd.

Reseayd off ye debts off ye churche yt was delyuered this same yeare.

Furst Receuyd of Roger Folliat.

off John Hastyngs.

off Wylliam Watson.

off Robart Browne.

[There are no sums affixed to these names, and they have been crossed out with penstrokes.]

At which daye ye consent of ye whole paryshe yt have chosen for churchewardens John Apowell and Thomas Fletchar.

Syx men chosen that ys to sey,

Rychard Fysshar.

Wylliam Bland.

Nycolas Brooke.

Rychard Allen.

John Hastynges.

John Maulton.

25b. The a counte of Wyllyam Blaund and John Daunks made be fore the whole paryshe and hath delyuered vp to the new wardens John Parker and Rycharde Acton [the names are interlined] iijli. vjs. xd. and be dyscargyd.

Item also a challys and two pattens, the cover of a pyxe, the fote of the sylver crosse, a crvsyfyxe that was in the cover of the pyxe, a lytyll sylver boule, the lytyll boule of the pyxe that the crvsyfyxe stode in, vj peses of sylver gylte, a lytyll bell wyth owte a clap, two brasen canstycks, two paynted clothes, a paule of sylke, two surples for chylders, two avbes, a tabyll cloth, fyve towels, the parson's sorples, and the clerk's sorples, a course pavle, a here clothe.

Payments.

Payde by John Parker and Rychard Acton at the accounte daye to Roger Wylls xijd.

Item to Raffe Pryor	xij <i>d</i> .
Item to Mother Andros	iiijd.
Item to Mother Bromlay	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Wyllyam Watson's wyfe	iiijd.
Item to Thomas Gryfythe's wyfe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Symon Maltmon	j <i>d</i> .

Ye vj men.

Rychard Fyssher. John Hastyngs.

Robert Broone.

George Walle.

Roger Follyatt.

Wyllyam Grafton.

26. [1554, Nov. 1.] Thys ys the accompte of John Parker, churche-warden of Saynt Mychaell's in Bedwardyne, beynge wt in the countye and dyoces of Worcester, made on All Sowles' day in the fyrst and seconde yeare of Phylyppe and Marye bye the grace of God kyng and quene of Yngland Fraunce Neapoles Jherusalem and Yrelande, defenders of the faythe, princes of Spayne and Sicily, archedukes of Austryge, dukes of Miliam Burgundye and Brabande, Countes of Hasporge Flanders and Tyroles.

The reseates.

In primis reseaved of Mr. Bland and John Danks iij/i. vjs. ixd. Item reseaved of Master Salwaye for soule payment of one yere's rent liijs. iiijd.

Item reseaved of Roger Folyatt

vjs. viijd.

[A line is here entirely erased.]

Item reseaved of the poreman's box

xvjd.

Reseaved of master Blunte

In primis a crosse, a payre of sensers, a payre of cruets, a crysmatorye, a tunakell for holy water, a pyx, and a shype to put frankenses in.

Summa vjli. viijs. jd.

The payments.

In primis to George Wall for a vestment of whyte braunche dawmaske

	Item to Roger Folyate for a vestmente of blewe saten vj.	s. viij <i>d</i> .
	Item for fyve elles of clothe to make to auter clothes	vs. vd.
	Item for one elue of dawles and a quarter to make tow a	ameses
		xvd.
	Item for a yearde of clothe to make a corporas	xvd.
	Item for hemmyng of the same and ynkell to make laces	for the
	a meses	iiij <i>d</i> .
266	. Item to the pore of the paryshe at newe yeare's tyde.	
	In primis to Holden and John Saunders	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Margaret Wattson	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to mother Andros	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Hammons and hys mother	vjd.
	Item to Jone Jones	vjd.
	Item to father Prior	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Benet	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Symon Maltman	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Byrche's wyfe of saynt Peter's paryshe	vjd.
	Item to Parteryche	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item to father Hastynges	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Edwarde Eles bockeler maker	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Thomas Payne wayver	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Rycharde Hyndye, tayler	iiijd.
	Item to mother Bromley	iiijd.
	Item to Elenor Waghorn	ijd.
	Item to Payne the Joyner	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to mother Flecher	ijď.
	Item to Shawe's wyfe and mother Peares	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Kateryne Gryffyn	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Kateryne Smythe and Anes the chanter's tenant.	iiijd.
	Item to Robert Kynges	ijd.
	Item for a peace of a masse boke callyd the canon an	d the
	chrystnynge	xijd.
	Item for washsshynge the surplesses a genst Ester	jd.
	Item geven to Master Blunte's man for hys paynes w	hen I
	fechete the crosse and the rest of the stufe	vjd.
	Item geven to Wattson's wyfe, when she lay in chylde bed	l xijd.
27.	Item payde to father Charlemayne for mendynge the	chrys-
	matorye	vjd.
	Item for thre chenes for the senser	xijd.

Item to Raffe Pynner for mendyng the pyx viijd.
Item payde for vij stryke of lyme to make the auter xvijd. ob.
Item for thre quarters of breke to make the auter and pave the
churche ixd.
Item to the mason for fyve dayes' worke and a halfe iiijs. iid.
Item to Robert Kynges for serving the mason iiij dayes and
a halfe ijs. iid.
Item to Acton's boye for hys worke at the same tyme viijd.
Item to Wyllyam Skynner for the offering at Wytsontyde vd.
Item for a shraud for Kateryne Gryffyn xviijd.
Item payde at saynt Ellyne's churche for my lorde's procurations
at the vysytation xviijd.
Item spent at Androwe Sutton's when we made our byll for
the vysytation ijd.
Item payde to Sir Wale our curate for halfe a quarter's serves
[at] the comunyon borde vs.
Item payde for a bell roppe xd.
Item delyvered to my felow Acton ijs.
[This entry is crossed out.]
Item lent to father Flecher xs.
Summa iij <i>li.</i> viijs. iiijd. ob.
So by this accounte John Parker owis lixs. iiijd. ob. the which the

So by this accounte John Parker owis lixs. iiijd. ob. the which the said John paid in the presence of the hole parishe.

[This sentence is crossed out.]

- 27b. At which day was chosyn chyrche wardens Richard Fyssher and George Wall and deliuerid vnto the said Chyrche wardens by John Parker and Richard Acton lixs. iiijd. ob. for the ouerplus of his account and so is clerely dyschargid.
- 28, 28b, 29, 29b. [The next leaf is a portion of a missal, corresponding to pages 12 and 12b. A blank leaf follows this.]
- 30. [1553.] This is the accompte of William Blande and John Danks, being Churchewardens of Sainct Michael's in Bedwardine, made the seconde day of Novembre in the firste yere of the Raigne of our Soveraigne Ladye Lady Marye bye the grace of God Quene of Englande Fraunce and Irelande, defender of the faithe and of the Churche of England and also of Irelande in Earth the supreme heade.

The Receyts of the same William Blande and John Danks.

First Receyved at the Last accompte xxjs.

Item Receyved for the Roode lofte xvs. ijd.
Item Receyved for one wholl yere's rent of the grounde which
mistres Salwaye occupyeth liijs. iiijd.
Item Receyved of John Apowel's wife xs.
Item Received for one wholl yere's rent of Philip Lechmor's
howse xiijs. iiijd.
Summa totalis vli. xijs. xd.
Paiments made by the said William and John.
First paide for ij dayes worke at philip Lechmores howse.
Item paide for the same for iij quarters of tile and iij gutter
tyle[s] and ij bushells of lyme xvijd.
Item for takyng downe of the Roodelofte to Richarde Mitte
for ij daies worke xxs.
Item to Nicolas Brooke and his man for iij daies worke iiijs.
30b. Item to John Ison for paving of the Churche iij daies worke
at xvijd. the daye for hym and his man iiijs. iijd.
Item to Gilberte for iij daies worke xviijd.
Item to Thomas Choise for one daye vjd.
Item to ij women and the clerke for makynge clene of the
Churche xijd.
Item for one loode of Claye iiijd.
Item for one loode of sande iiijd.
Item for v bushels of Lyme xvd.
Item for nailes vjd. ob.
Item for glasyng and mendynge the windowes iijs. vjd.
Item for white lymyng of the Churche and for lyme xviijd.
Item paide for a keye to the doore in the nether ende of the
Churche iiijd.
Item geven to the Tabowrer when he was sicke xxd.
Item geven to Thomas Hal's wife xijd.
Item to the poore people for xvj weeks xiijs.
Item geven to the lyttell tailer at the staire when he was sicke xijd.
Item geven to the poore of the parishe at Christmas and at
Easter as doth by bylles appear xxiijs. iijd.
Item paide for a Badricke xiiijd.
Item paide to Mr. Fissher for charges at the going forth of
Souldiers vs. iiijd.
Item for wasshing the wholl yeare xvjd.
Summa totalis iijli. xiiijs. viijd. ob.

31. Debtes owinge to the Churche in the tyme of William Blande and John Danks as hereafter shall appear and their suerties.

Rs. vjs. viijd. Firste to Roger Foleat xiijs. ivd. Thomas Golde. Item to Richard Allen xxs. Nicolas Brooke.

Rs. ijs. Item to John Hastyngs xs. Richard Fisher [crossed out.]

Item to George Wall xxs. Richard Allen.

Rs. iijs. iiijd. Item to Hen[ry] Flecher xs. Thomas Flecher.

Rs. ijs. Item to John Maltyn xs. Richard Fissher. Rs. iijs. iiijd. Item to Henry Maltyn vjs. viijd. Thomas Golde.

Item to Thomas Hammons xs. Henry Maltyn.

Rs. vjs. viijd. Item to Nicolas Brooke xvjs. viijd. Richard Allen. Rs. xxxxd. Item to William Wright vjs. viijd. William Blande. Rs. vjs. viijd. Item to Thomas Fletcher xvjs. Richard Fissher.

Item to William Perseavall vjs. viijd. Thomas

Item to Richard Acton xs. William Perseaval.

Item to Roberte Browne xxs. John Danks.

Rs. xxxxd. Item to Walter Heywoode vs. Humphre Finither.

Item to Robert Shawe vs. Richard Fissher.

Rs. iijs. iiijd. Item to Humphre Smithe xs. Watter Heywoode. Item to Richarde Hyndy iijs. iiijd. Richard Fissher.

Item to Thomas Hall vs. Thomas Fletcher.

Item to Humphre Statham vs. William Blande.

Item to Richard Parker iijs. iiijd. Richard Acton.

Rs. xiijs. iiijd. Item to Thomas Powell xiijs. iiijd. John a powell.

[Thomas's name and the amount are crossed out.]

Item to John Richards iijs. iiijd. William Blande.

Rs. xjs. Item to John a powel's wife xjs. William Blande.

[The debtor's name is crossed out.]

Item to Thomas Paine vs.

Rs. iijs, iiijd. John Osland xs. Summa totalis xijli. xvs. iiijd. xxd.

[The sums in the margin are in different writing.]

31b. The count of William Blande and John Dancks made before the hole parishe, and hauc delyuered up to John Parker and Richarde Acton Church wardens chosen the same daye, the

full of ther accompt iijli. vs. ixd., and so the said William and John be discharged.

32, 32b, 33. [On folios 32, 32b, and 33 is a fair copy, with variations in spelling and better written, of John Parker's account beginning on folio 26. The chief differences are these:—

Roger Follyat paid "for mony lent hym."

Instead of "corporas" is "corpore cloth."

"Sette" instead of "fechete" the cross.

- "Procurations" is omitted and a space left; the copyist was perhaps more puzzled than I am at the contraction of the word.
- "the comunyon borde" is left out.]
- 33b. At which daye was chosyn Church wardens Richarde Fyssher and George Wall and delyuerid vnto the forsaide Churche wardens by John Parker and Richarde Acton lixs. iiijd. ob. for the over plus of ther accompte and so they are clerely discharged before the hole parishe.
- [1555.] The count of Richarde Fyssher one of the Church wardens of Saint Mighell's in Bedwarden the third daye of Nouembre in the secounde and third yere of Phillipe and Marye fyrst and secounde, &c.

His reseytes.

In primis receauid at the hands of John Parker and Richarde
Acton at ther accompte xxxs. xd.

Item of Mr. Salowey for halfe one yere's rent xxvjs. iiijd. Item receauid of Robarte Kent for one hole yere's rent xiijs. iiijd. Summa iijli. xs. xd. Layd out of the same.

34. In primus to Sir John Dyckyn for his seruis that he dyd in Saynt Mighell's ijs. vjd.

Item to Sir Richarde Whale for one quarter's seruis xs.

Item paide for a portuasvs.Item paid for a surplesvs.Item for wax at Ester to Thomas Barbervs.

Item gave to Dyxson when he was very syck ijs. iiijd.

Item to old Robart Hastings iiijd.

Item to Mother Hat maker viiid.

Item to Mother Hat maker viijd.

Item to Raffe Pryor viijd.

Item for the sepulcreijd.Item spent at Andrew Sutton'sxijd.

Item to Holdens the Taborer vjd.
Summa xxxvs.

34b. [1555.] The Accompte of George Wall one of the churche wardens of Saynt Myghell's in Bedwarden the thirde daye of Nouembre in the secounde and thirde yere of Phillipe and Marye first and secounde, &c.

His receytes.

In primus receauid of John Parker and Richarde Acton at ther accompte xxxs. vjd.

Item receauid of Mr. Salwaye for halfe yere's rent xxxvjs. viijd.

Item Rs. of Robarte Kent for one whole yere's rente xiijs. iiijd.

Item receauid of the church boxe at Ester viijs.

Summa iijli. xvjs. vjd.

Layd oute of the same Sum.

	In primus to Syr John Birken for his seruis done in	Saint
	Mighells	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
	Item to Syr Richarde Whale for one quarter's seruis	XS.
	Item paid for bell ropps	js. iiijd.
	Item paid to Nycholas for the sepulcre	ijs.
	Item paid at Mr. Bland's on Ester daye	xijd.
35.	Item paid to Richard Acton	xxd.
	Item to father pryor	vij <i>d</i> .
	Item to father Hastyngs	ijd.
	Item to the Clarke	ijd.
	Item to Roger Willis	ijd.
	Item to the ringers at the bondfirs for the quene	iiijd.
	Item to the good wife Clarke	iiijd.
	Item to Watson's wiffe	vjď.
	Item to Jone Jones	vjd.
	Item to the Taberis wife	iiijd.
	Item to Mason's wiffe	iiijd.
	Item for Nayles for the sepulcre And coles on Ester eve	n j <i>d</i> .
	Item for washing	ijs.

Sum layd out xxvs.

The compte of Richarde Fissher and George Wall made before the hole parishe and have delyuerid to Hew Flacher and William Wright church wardens chosyn the same daye the full of ther accompte iiijli. xviijs. viijd. and so the said Richard and George be Discharged. 35b. Debts owinge to the Churche in the tyme of R. Fissher and George Wall as hereafter shall appere and ther surties.

Rs. xxd. In primus Roger Foleat Rec. vjd. vjs. viijd. Thomas Golde.

Item to Richarde Allen Rec. xijd. xxs. Nycholas Brocke.

Rs. ijs. Item to Georg Wall Rec. xxd. xxs. Richarde Allen. Rs. xijd. Item to Hew Flacher vjs. viijd. Thomas Flacher. Item to John Maltyn Rec. viijd. viijs. Richarde Fisher.

Rs. iiijd. Item to Henrie Maltyn Rec. iiijd. iijs. iiijd. Thomas Golde.

Item to Thomas Hammons xs. Henri Maltyn. Item to Nycholas Brocke Rec. xijd. xs. Richard

Rec. by Oseland. Item to William Wright iijs. iiijd. William Blande.

[The sum and the name of the surety are crossed out.]

Rs. xijd. Item to Thomas Flacher Rec. xd. ixs. iiijd. Richard Fysher.

Item to William Parcivall vjs. viijd. Thomas Flacher.

Item to Richard Acton xs. William Parcivall.

Rs. xxd. Item to Robert Browne Rec. xijd. xxs. John Danks.

Rs. xd. Item to Walter Haywoode xxd. Humfri Smyth.
Item to Robart Show vs. Richard Fissher.
Item to Humfrie Smyth vjs. viijd. Walter Haywood.
Item to Richard Hyndy Rec. iiijd. iijs. iiijd. Richard
Fyssher.

Item to Thomas Hale Rec. vjd. vs. Thomas Flacher.

Rs. xijd. Item to Humfry Stathan Rec. vjd. vs. William Blande.

Item to Richard Parker iijs. iiijd. Richard Acton.
Item to Thomas Payne vs.

Rs. xijd. John Oslande Rec. iiijs. vs.

[This number is crossed out.]

Item to Richards iijs. iiijd. W. Blande.

Summa viijli. xvjs. viijd.

[The numbers to the left of the page and those in the centre preceded by "Rec." have been written in at different times.]

36. [1554.] Money Lend furthe of the Churche Stocke as Here aftur followithe, apon the accompt of Richard Fisher and George Wall, whiche was as is before rebersed the third of November annis regnorum Philippi et Marie primo et ijdo.

In primis Lend to William Brevitar havyng for his suertie
Hugh Flecher
iijs. iiijd. Rec. iiijd.
Item lend to John Dixon hauyng for his suertie George
Wall
ijs. iiijd. Rec. iiijd.

Rs. xijd. Item to William Grafton havyng for his suertie William

Bland xiijs. iiijd. Rec. xvjd.

Item to Edward Elles hauyng for his suertie John

Malten iijs. iiijd.

[The sums to right and left have been added afterwards.]

36b. [1556.] The Accompte of Hugh Flecher and William Wright churche wardens of St. Mighelle's for the yere past, taken the xxiiij daye of January 1556.

Theire Receyts.

In primis receaued at the last accompte iij/i. vs. ixd.

John More for on yere's rent of the churche Lande iij/i. vjs. viijd.

Item at Easter for hoselyng money viijs. vjd.

Summa vij/i. xjd.

Whereof they have bestowed about the churche as aperithe by there bill vli. ixs. iiijd. ob.

And so remaynes clere to the churche of this accompt xxxjs. vjd. ob.

payd and discharged.

There is of newe chosen wardens for the yere to come Hughe Flecher and John Oseland.

- Rs. ijs. Item apon this accompte there is Lend to William Wright hauyng his suertie John Danks xs. And the reste beyng xxjs. vjd. is delyuered to the handes of Hugh Flecher.
- 37. [1557.] The accompte of Hugh Flechar and John Oseland churche wardens for the yere passed, taken in the presence of the more parte of the parishioners upon Sonday the vijth day of Nouember 1557 and the iiijth and vth yeres of

the raignes of our soueraigne Lord and soueraigne Ladie Philippe and Marie, &c.

Hugh Flechar.

In primis the said Hugh Flechar hathe bestowed aboute the necessaries of the churche as aperithe bie his bill xixs. And he hathe receaued of the churche money as aperith with xxjs. vjd. that remayned in his hand apon the last accompt xxxs. iijd.

So that he owithe apon this accompt xs. iiijd. whiche somme he hathe payd in the presence of the parishioners and so is quyte.

37b. John Oseland.

Item the seid John Oseland hathe receased in the tyme of his office as aperethe by his bill thereof iijli. xs.

Item he hathe leyd furthe aboute the necessaries of the churche and parishe as aperithe by his bill vijs.

And so he owithe apon this accompt all thyngs allowed iijli. iiijs.

Whiche somme he hathe payd in the presens of the parishioners at this accompt and so is quyte.

Memorandum that at this accompt ended there is of new chosen to be churche wardens for the yere to come William Bland and William Grafton to whome then is delyuered xxx., videlicet xx. apece, and the reste is putt into the handes of William Bland beyng liijs. iijd.

38. [1558.] The accompt of William Bland and William Grafton, taken the vijth daye of November, 1558.

William Blande's receytes.

In primis of the churche money	liijs. iijd.
Item for Mr. Salweye's rent due for the hole yere	liijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item the yeres rent of Robert Kent's house	xiijs. iiijd.
Item of John Oseland for parte of his dett	xijd.
Item of Roger Follyott for parte of his dett	xxd.
Item of Hugh Flechar in parte of his dett	xijd.
Item of George Wall in parte of his dett	ijs.
Item of William Grafton in parte of his dett	xij <i>d</i> .
Item of Humfrey Stathan in parte of his dett	xijd.

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Item of Robert Browne	xxd.
Item of Walter Heywood	xd.
Item of William Wright	viijd.
Item of Henry Malten	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Thomas Flechar	xijd.
Item Rec. of the churche money	xs.
Item more of William Wright	xvjd.
Summa vij <i>li.</i> iiijs. vd.	
William Blande's payments.	
38b. In primis for dressyng of too swerdes	ij <i>s</i> .
Item gyven in almes to Thomas Payne's wiff	vjd.
Item payd to John Oseland for a sheffe of arrowes	ijs. vjd.
Item to the same John for a bowe	iijs. iiijd.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	iijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item for mendyng the tower of the churche	ijs. xjd.
Item gyven to Richard Acton in almos at sondry tymes	-
Item gyven to John Tomson taylor that laye sicked	e in our
parishe	xd.
Item gyven amonges the poore of our parishe	xxij <i>d</i> .
Summa xixs. ixd.	
Whiche somme of xixs. ixd. allowed there remay neth cle churche vjli. xjs. iiijd., payd and discharged in the	
of the parishe apon this accompte.	
The receytes of William Grafton.	
In primis of the churche stocke at his entrey	XS.
Item at Easter	vjs.
Summa xvjs.	-
39. William Grafton's payments.	
In primis at Mr. Blande's amounge the parishe in wyn	ne at our
entry	xd.
Item for candelles apon Cristemas daye	iiijd.
Item for oyle for the lampe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item at Easter apon the parson and parishe at Mr. Bla	ande's in
wyne	xij <i>d</i> .
Item for wyne to the churche	xijd.
Item for the pastall tapur	xxd.
Item for ij other tapurs	viijd.
Item for a pynt of lampe oyle	iiij <i>d</i> .

Item for ij bell ropes	ijs.
Item for stowe[r]yng the candlesticks and sensar	iiijd.
Item for weshyng the churche gere the hole yere	ijs.
Summa xs. vijd.	

The seid somme of xs. vijd. allowed there remaynethe clere to the churche vs. vd., of the whiche there was given to the clark iijd., the residewe was then payd and discharged.

After whiche accompte there was chosen of newe to be guardyans Rychard Lye and Henry Malten, to whom there was delyvered of the churche money xxs., videlicet xs. apece, and the residewe beyng vli. xvs. of the churche stock is delyuered to the custodie of Richard Fysher.

39b. [1559.] The accompte of Richard Lyghe and Henry Malten churche wardens, taken the laste daye of December 1559, and the second yere of the raigne of our soueraigne Ladie Elizabeth.

Henry Malten's receytes.

In primis for the light at John Dank's mother's buryall	vjd.	
Item for the light at Dixson's wiff's buryall	iiij <i>d</i> .	
Item for the light at James Aspemer's wiff's buryall	ijd.	
Item for the light at Henry Malten's wiff's buryall	vjd.	
Item for light at mother Newalle's buryall	vjd.	
Item for light at Pickeryng's buryall	vd.	
Item for Mr. Salweye's rent due at our ladie day [the th	nree last	
words crossed out] due at Mighelmas xxvjs	. viijd.	
Item Rec. at my comyng to the office of the churche stock xs.		
Summa xxxixs. jd.		

Henry Malten's payments.

In primis payd for wyne at our election	xvjd.
Item for a pynte of lampe oyle	vijd.
Item gyven in almes to Dixson	iiijd.
Item for waxe at Cristemas	xvjd.
Item for waxe at candlemas	xvijd.
Item gyven to Pickeryng in almes at diuers tymes	ijs. ijd.
Item for a baldericke to on of the belles	vd.
Item for ledd and makyng of tokens at Easter	vjd.
Item for frankensense	ob.

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40. Item in almes to Katheryne Puche maker	vj <i>d</i> .
Item for hoselyng bred	iij <i>d</i> .
Item for a pastall taper	ijs, viij <i>d</i> .
Item a hynge for a seate	ij <i>d</i> .
Item for wyne on Easter daye	xijd.
Item for charcole in Lent	jd.
Item for waxe at Whitsonetyde	iijd.
Item in almes to Katheryne Doctor	ij <i>d</i> .
Summa xiijs. iiijd. ob.	
Whiche some of xiijs. iijd. ob. allowed there remay	nethe clere
	xvs. ixd. ob.
Which the seid Henry hathe payd and is thereof acc	uited.
Richard Lye; receytes.	
In primis at Easter for hoselyng money	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for Robert Kent's house due at our ladie day	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
•	xxvjs. viijd.
Item for the rent of Robert Kent's house due at Mig	
	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item at my entrey of the churche money	xs.
Summa iij <i>li</i> . iijs. iiijd.	
Richard Lye's payments.	
In primis for Quenc Marye's obit	ixd.
Item for mendyng the glasse wyndowes	xixd.
Item for wyne at Easter	ijs. ijd. ob.
Item spend at the tavern at Easter	xviijd.
Item for hoselyng bred	jd.
Item for oyle and creame	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for stowe(r)yng the candlesticks	jd.
Item for weshyng the alter clothes	xij <i>d</i> .
Item for papers and ink	jd.
40b. Item in almes to Katheryne Pochemaker	vj <i>d</i> .
Item for mendyng a bell whele	ijd.
Item payd on Trynitie sondaye	vd.
Item gyven to father Kynges at tymes in almes	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Item for tylyng the churche	xviij <i>d</i> .
Item for tyle	ixd.
Item for lyme and sand	viijd.
Item in almes to Pickeryng	vjs.

Item for a communion table	vjs.
Item for mendyng the bere	iiijd.
Item for mendyng an albe	ijd.
Item for procurations on the Quene's visitation	xviijd.
Item for makyng the inventary of the church goodes	viijd.
Item for takyng downe the alter	vjd.
Item for pavyng the place and makyng cleane of it	iijs.
ltem for ryddyng the rubbell	ijd.

Summa xxvijs. vijd. ob. whiche somme allowed there remaynethe clere to the churche xxxvs. viijd. ob., whereoff is payd xs. viijd. ob. [This amount is interlined, and the following words erased, "and the seid Richard thereof acquired."] and so he owithe xxvs.

Memorandum that there was showed at this accompte bie Mr. Bland xxviij pieces of evidents and writyngs concearning the churche landes, whiche are delyuered to the custodie of the seid Mr. Bland to the churche vse.

Memorandum that there is chosen gardyans of newe John Parker and Humfrey Stathan, to whem there is delyuered furthe of the churche stocke xxs., videlicet xs. apece.

Memorandum that apon this accompt there is delyuered to the custodie of Mr. Fysher vjli. xvs., and now payd for becommoney to the const[able?] xijd., and gyven then to the poore viijd.

41. [1560.] The accompte of Humfrey Stathan and John Parker Churchewardens, yelded and gyven vp to the parishioners there the xjth daye of Nouember 1560.

The receytes of Humfrey Stathan.

In primis receaued at the entry of the seid Humfrey in to his office.

Item for cheritie money at Easterxiijs.Item of Mr. Salwey for his rentliijs. iiijd.Item of Robert Kent for his rentxiijs. iiijd.

Summa iiijli. ixs. viijd.

The payments of the seid Humfrey.

In primis for wyne at East	tur iijs.	iiijd.
Item for bred		iiijd.

Item for a bell ropp	xvjd.
Item gyven in almes to Payne at dyuers tymes as apperith bie his	
bill	vjd.
Item gyven in almes to Kyngs as apperith by his	bill at sondry
tymes	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item in almes to Philipp	ijd.
Item for a byble	xiijs.
Item for weshynge the churche gere	ijs.
Item for procurations at the bushop's visitacon	xviijd.
Item for makynge a bill	iiij <i>d</i> .
41b. Item for wyne at dyuers tymes	vjjjd. ob. [sic].
Item gyven in almes to the good wiff Heynes	vij <i>d</i> .
Item for a communion booke	iiijs. ijd.
Item for bred	ob.
Item gyven in almes at Mr. Halle's dole	xij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to Katheryn Smithe	ijs.
Item to mother Margarett	vjd.
Summa xxxiijs. viijd. oo	ь.
So that these charges allowed there remaynithe over to the churche lvs. xjd. ob., which is payd and discharged apon this accompt. And now payd in by John Parker.	
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Memorandum that there is allowed and payd to Mr. Fysher at this accompt videlicet to Mr. Hymulton for seruyng the cure at christemas vs.

In almes gyven by hym to John Malten ijs.

For money delyuered to Wm. Wright constable at the settyng furthe of a man in the warres to Berwick iijs. ijd.

And in almes gyven to Kyngs xijd.

Summa xjs. ijd.

Item payd to the seid Wm. Wright more apon his rekenyng ijs. ijd.

And so all thyngs allowed and discharged there is delyuered to the custodie of Mr. Richard Fysher at this accompt the some of viij/i. iijs. xd.

And there is chosen of newe to be churche wardens Roger Follyot and Nicolas Broke, to whom there is delyuered xxs., videlicet to euery of them

The residewe of the money which remaynithe of this accomp is gyuen to the pore in the presence of the whole parish videlicet ijs. xd. ob.

42. [1560.] The detts remayning vinpayd to the church at this last accompt videlicet the xi of November 1560.

Suerties.		
Thomas Gold	In primis Roger Follyott	iiijs. vjd.
Nicolas Broke	Item Richard Allen	xixs.
John Danks	Item William Wright	vijs. iiijd.
Richard Alen	Item George Wall	xvjs. iiijd.
Thomas Flechar	Item Hugh Flechar	vs. viijd.
Richard Fisher	Item John Malten	vijs. iiijd.
Thomas Gold	Item Henry Malten	ijs, viijd.
Henry Malten	Item Thomas Hamons	XS.
Richard Alen	Item Nicolas Broke	ixs.
Richard Fisher	Item Thomas Flechar	vijs. vjd.
Thomas Flechar	Item William Percyvall	vjs. viijd.
William Percivale	Item Richard Acton	xs.
John Danks	Item Robert Browne	xvijs. iiijd.
Humfrey Smith	Item Walter Heywood [crossed on	it] ixd.
Richard Fisher	Item Robert Shawe	VS.
Walter Heywood	Item Humfrey Smithe	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Richard Fisher	Item Richard Handy	iijs.
Thomas Flechar	Item Thomas Hall	iiijs. vjd.
William Bland	Item Humfrey Stathan	iijs. vjd.
Richard Acton	Item Richard Parker	iijs. iiijd.
Pardoned	Item Thomas Payne	vs. [crossed out]
William Bland	Item John Richardes	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Hugh Flechar	Item William Brevitar	iijs.
George Wall	Item John Dixson	iijs.
William Bland	Item William Grafton	xs. viijd.
John Malten	Item Edward Elles	iijs. iiijd.
	Summa viij <i>li.</i> xjs. ij <i>d</i> .	

42b. [1561.] The accompte of Roger Follyott and Nicolas Broke, Churchewardens of the parishe of S^t. Mighelle's in Bedwardyne, made and yelded vp before the parishioners there sonday xj of Januarie, 1561.

Roger Follyot's receytes.

In primis receaued at his first entrey into the office of the churche stock xs.

Item receaued of Mr. Salwey for on hole yere's rent of the churche land liijs. iiijd.

Item of Robert Kent of on yere's rent of his house xiijs. iiijd. Summa iijli. xvjs. viijd.

The payments bie Roger Folyott.

Firste payd for halfe a quarter's wage to Mr. Warrett, curatt, due at Christemas 1561 vjs. viijd.

Item gyven in almes to the pore of the parishe agenst Whitsontyde and Christemas last as apperithe bie billes xxiijs.

Summa xxxjs, viijd.

Whiche some allowed there remaynithe apon this accompt clere to the churche the some of xlvs. whiche he hathe payd and is thereof acquited.

43. Nicolas Brok's receytes.

In primis receaued at his firste entrey into the office	xs.
Item at Eastur of the parishioners	xiijs. vijd.
Item for old tymber of the rode lofte	iijs.
Item of William Wrighte for seate money	viijd.
Item also of Randull Jonson	viij <i>d</i> .
Item of Henrie Symons	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of John Bird	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Richard Eger	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Thomas Lee	iiij <i>d</i> .

Summa xxxs. iijd.

The payments bie Nicolas Broke.

Firste payd halfe the quarter's wage to Sir Richard W	arrett due
at Christemas 1560	vjs. viijd.
Item for papur	jd.
Item for the Iniunctions	vjd.
Item for a locke keye and ij hyngs to a coffer	xd.
Item for a gymall to on of the seats	ijd.
Item for a boke of orders in the church	ij <i>d</i> .
Item for waxe candelles	ob.

Item for bred and wyne fache to the churche at sond[r]ey
tymes as aperithe bie his bille
vijs. iiijd. ob.
Item for weshynge
xijd.

Summa xvjs. xd.

- 43b. Whiche some of xvjs. xd. allowed there remaynith apon his accompt cler to the churche xiijs. vd., and the seid some he hathe payd and is thereof acquited.
 - Memorandum that Mr. Fisher brought in at this accompt viijli. iijs. xd., delyuered to his custodie at the last accompt, whereof he askith allowance for money given bie hym to certeyn sicke persons in the parishe the some of vis.
 - Item payd bie the seid Mr. Fisher in parte of payment of Richard Lighe's dett vs.
 - So that there remaynes cler in redie money at this accompt the some of xjli. xvd.
 - The same daye there is chosen bie the whole consent of the parishe to be church wardens for the yere to come Nicolas Broke and Thomas Naylor, to whom there is delyuered out of the foreseid some xxs., videlicet xs. apece.
 - Item gyven to Payne's wiffe besydes the dett whiche her late husbund dyd owe as aperthe before in this boke ijs.
 - Item delyuered to the handes of Mr. Fysher for the payment of Mr. Hymulton's wages servyng the cure from Mighelmas to Christemas last
- 44. Item gyven in reward to Roger Follyot for his paynes, wretyng in this boke heretofore vs.
 - Item given in almes to the pore of the parishe at the seid accompt, as aperithe bie a bill with xvd. the parishe did drynke after the seid accompte iiijs. iijd.
 - All whiche allowed and deducted there remaynes clere to the churche vse ix/i., whiche some is delyuered bie consent of the parishe to the custodie of Mr. Fysher.
- 44b. [1561.] An Inventorie of soche goodes as remayne to the churche vse and delyuered to the custodie of Nicolas Broke and Thomas Nayler the xviij daye of Januarie, 1561.
 - In primis a precessionall, the portuas in ij parts for the whole yere, a missall, a manuell, a boke for christenyng and burying,

a pall lyned and a olde pall onlyned, a olde vestement of sylke, a front of an alter of redd and white satten with flouredelice, ij albes, ij surples for children, a litle pillow of grene, ij towelles with blew thred, a Byble, a Boke of comon seruice, vj stoles for the necke and armes [underlined], a booke of the paraphrastes, ij parelles for albes, a lampe and certeyne pece of an old lambe [sic], ij iron roddes with stockynnies apon them, and ij curtens of redd and yellowe saye, the pastall tapur and viij endes of other tapurs, the sepultre without a hedd, a crosse clothe of grene silke, a corperens case, a chales and a patten, ij table clothes, ij surpleses for men, a old pall clothe to couer the communion bord.

45. [1562.] The accompte of Nicolas Broke made the xvijth daye of Januarie 1562, and the fifth yere of the raigne of our soueraigne Ladie Elizabeth, &c.

Receytes.

In primis receaued of Mr. Salwey for the rent of	the churche
ground	liijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Robert Kent for his rent	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for duties at Easter	xiiijs. jd.
Item at his first admission	xs.
Summa iiij <i>li.</i> xs. ixd.	

For seate money.

Payd and layd forthe [these words are crossed out.]

In primis of Humfrey Payne	viijd.
Item of Raphe Symons	iiij <i>d</i> ,
Item of the goodwiff Hill	iiijd.
Item of William Ford	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of William Ferecliff	iiij <i>d</i> .

Summa ijs.

Item for a tree sold to Nicolas Broke of the ground at Clifton xs. Summa totalis, vli. ijs. ixd.

Payments as followithe,

Item as aperithe hereafter bie a bill of particules	as hereafter
folowithe	iijli. vjd. ob.
Payd in money upon this accompt	xxxijs. ijd.
And so he remagnithe in dett for the tree	xs.

45 <i>b</i>	Reparacions made by Nicolas Broke.	
	In primis for lyme, videlicet iiij bushel and halfe	xviij <i>d.</i>
	Item for ij and halfe of tyle	iijs. ijd.
	Item for caryage of tyle	iiij <i>d. ob.</i>
	Item ij bushell of sand	ijď.
	Item for wor[k]man shipp	xxd.
	Item for sand	ij <i>d.</i>
	Item for a litle boke bought of John Gough	iij <i>d</i> .
	Item for mendyng surpleses	vij <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven to the pore	xiijs. ijd.
	Item for mendyng the churche wyndowes	VS.
	Item for wyne at dyuers tymes as aperithe bie his bill	
	Item for communion bred	iij <i>d.</i>
	Item for a table of the commandements	xvjd.
	Item for papur	jd.
	Item for procurations at my L[ord] of Canturberie's v	
	xiijo Aprilis	xviijd.
	Item for makyng a bill for the visitacion	vjd.
	Item for expenses in goyng to Clyfton to suruey the	
	land	vijs, iijd.
	Item to John Wall for caryng vs downe by water	xvjd.
	Item for gymalles for seats in the churche	viij <i>d</i> .
	Item for nayles	j <i>d</i> .
	Item for mendyng benches in the quyer	jd.
A	limes.	
46.	Item gyven to mother Margarett	iiijd.
	Item to Robert Bridge	xij <i>d</i> .
	Item for weshynge the churche lynen	ijs.
	Item gyven to Jone Mariott	viijd.
	Item gyven to welshe Katheryn at iiij sondry tymes	ijs. viijd.
	Item to Jone Mariott a nother tyme	xijd.
	Item to Payne's wiffe at ij tymes	ijs.
	Item to mother Margett	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item for candelles ageynst Christmas	jd.
	Summa iij <i>li.</i> vj <i>d. ob</i> .	

And so the seid Nicolas remaynethe in debt to the churche this expenses deducted and allowed xlijs. ijd. ob., of the whiche some he hathe payed at this presence in redie money

xxxijs, ijd., and so remaynethe in the parishe dett for the price of the tree xs.

46b. The accompte of Thomas Naylor.

Memorandum that the seid Thomas hathe receaued nothyng nor payd any thynge, but hathe delyuered at this presente accompt the money delyuered at his firste admission, videlicet xs.

The accompte of Mr. Fisher, Keper of the churche stocke. Memorandum that he askethe allowance as followethe.

First gyven to John Malten by parishe consent	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven also to Walter Heywood	vjs. viijd.
Item to Robert Brydge	ijs.

And so he delywerethe vp of the ix/i. before in the last accompte to hym delywered viij/i. iiijs. viijd.

Memorandum that there remaynethe in redie money apon this accompt xli. vs. xjd.

47. There is of newechosen for this yere to come for guardyanes of the seid churche Thomas Nayler and Roger Folyott to whom there is delyuered xs. apece.

Almes.

Item gyuen to Robert Bridges	iijs.
Item to Katheryn Doctor	xij <i>d.</i>
Item to Katheryn Smithe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Mother Margett	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Katheryn Acton	xij <i>d</i> .
[viiid. is crossed out.]	

Item to Philipp Geffreyesiiijd.Item to Hamon's wiffiiijd.Item to the clark William Ferecliffvid.

And so there is delyuered to the custodie of Mr. Fisher this presente daye in redye money nyne poundes ixli.

47b. [The next page is blank.]

48. [1566.] The Accompt of Thomas Nayler on of the churche wardens, made the xvj daye of Februarie 1566.

Receipts.

First receased bie hym at his first admittance xs.

Item receased for cheretic money at Easter 1563 and the wyne payd for vs. jd.

Item of Hamons for his seate Summa xvs. vd.

Payd bie hym

Item for bred and wyne at sondry tymes for the communion as aperithe bie his bill iijs. viijd. ob.

Item for a common prayer

["boke" crossed out before "prayer."]

Item for mendynge a bell whele ijd.
Item for weshynge ijs.

Summa vjs. iijd. ob.

And so the seid Thomas Nayler remaynes in dett to the churche ixs. jd. ob.

4Sb. [The next page is blank.]

49. [1566.] The Accompte of Roger Folliot on of the churche wardens, made and yelded vp in the presens of the parishenors of this parishe of St. Mighell the xvj daye of Februarie, 1566.

Receyts.

In primis at his entryng to the office Item of the rent of the land at Clifton for on yere endyng at Mighelmas 1563 liijs. iiijd. Item of Robert Kent for parte of his rent vis. viijd. Item of the cheretie money at Eastur 1562 Xijs. Item for on yere's rent of the land at Clifton endynge at Mighelmas 1564 liijs. iiijd. Item in more parte of Robert Kent's rent xiijs. iiijd. Item of the cheretie money at Eastur 1565 xiijs. ijd. Item for on yere's rent of the lande at Clifton endyng at Mighelmas 1565 liijs. iiijd. Item of the cheretie money at Eastur 1566 xiijs. Item in more parte of Robert Kent's rent xvjs. Item for on yere's rent of the lande at Clifton due at Mighelmas 1566 liijs. iiijd.

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	Item in more parte of Kent's rent	iiijs.
	Item for vj li. of old waxe	ijs.
	Item for the holie water pott of ledd weying xv li.	xvjd.
	Summa totalis xvli. vs. xd.	
405	Payments.	
490.		
	In primis given in almes in the parishe the Fryday nex	
		cijs. viijd.
	Item for mendyng the baldericke of a bell	ijď.
	Item to Mr. Hymulton for his wage at Mighelmas 1563	
		iijs. iiijd.
	Item given to Katheryn Doctor at tymes in her sicken	-
	Item to Henry Bratt's wiffe	iiijd.
	Item given in almos in the parishe the Thursday before	
	mas then next followinge	xijs. xd.
	Item payd at Mr. Dighton's when the inhabitants of S	-
	and Whitynton and this parishe dyd mete there	
	uestyng of men the iiijth of July Item for sawyng of tymber to make seats	viij <i>d</i> .
	Item to Share the carpentur and his man for ij day	xiiij <i>d</i> .
	makyng and mendynge seats	iijs. ijd.
	Item for nayles	vj <i>d</i> .
	Item for ij peare of hyngs	iiijd.
	Item for rent bord	xijd.
	Item for vij elles and half of dowles for a surples of xv	-
	elle	ixs. viijd.
	Item for makyng of the same	iijs. iiijd.
	Item to John Wevar the tyler mendyng the churche	xij <i>d</i> .
	Item for lyme	iij <i>d</i> .
	Item for ij crests	ij <i>d</i> .
	Item for expenses Rydyng to Vpton apon Severne	•
	certificate of the pore	xd.
	Item gyven to a naked man in the churche	iiijd.
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	Item spent upon the parishe at Kydson's the xth of Ap	orill xvjd.
	Item for Mr. Hymulton's wage for Christemas and ou	
		cvjs. viij <i>d</i> .
	Item for viij elles of lynen clothe to make a surple	es for the
		xijs. viijd.

	Item for makying the same to Ric[hard] Alen's wiffe	viijs, viijd
	Item for Mr. Hymulton's wages for Mydsommer and I	Mighelmas
	next after	xvjs. viij <i>d</i>
	Item for glasyng the churche at Christemas next after	xvj <i>d</i>
	Item gyven in almes apon good fryday 1564, besides t	the money
	that the colledge gave	vijs, xjd
	Item payd to Mr. Hymilton of the cheretie money	at Easter
	1564	VS
	Item for bred and wyne then	ijs. viijd
	Item payd to Mr. Lynsey for a generall acquitance	to be gott
	furthe for the parties	xij <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven in almes at Christmas besides xiijs, that the	ne colledge
	gave	iiijs. vj <i>d</i>
	Item for Mr. Hymulton's wages due then	xiijs. iiijd
	Item for casting the little bell and more weigh	_
	hym	xvijs.
	Item to a carpentar for hangyng and stockyng the san	ne bell xd .
	Item for Iron worke to the same	xd
	Item to Mr. Carter for glasyng the church	xvj <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven to mother Margarett in her sickenes, with	-
	Mr. Bland geve in my absence, which I repayd	xviij <i>d</i> .
0 <i>b</i> .	Item gyven in almes at Eastur besides xijs. that the	
	gave 1565	vijs.
	Item to William the Tyler for ij dayes' worke, stoppyn	_
	the raughters of the churche to kepe furthe py	
	mendynge the walles of the litle house	xijd.
	Item gyven to Mr. Hymulton of the cheretie money	
	1565	VS.
	Item for bred and wyne then	ijs. vij <i>d</i> .
	Item for ij lode of cleye	xij <i>d</i> .
	Item for a sawter for the churche to Kydson	xiiij <i>d</i> .
	Item for procurations in my L[ord] Bushop's visitacion	
	Item for makyng the bill of presentement and spent sixe men	
		ijs.
	Item gyven to Mr. Hymulton of the cheretie money 1566	vs. viijd.
	Item for bred and wyne then	ijs. viija.
	Item gyven to Katheryne Acton at Whitsontyde	vj d .
	Item to old Margett	iiij <i>d</i> .
	riem to old braigett	mja.

	Item for wyne when we went to survey our churche land at Clifton viiid.
	Item to Mr. Hymulton for his wages at Mighelmas 1566
	xiijs. iiijd.
	Item spent apon Mr. Harford, Mr. Wesheborne, and other when
	we obteyned our Evidences furthe of theyre handes after
	the deathe of Mr. Bland xvijd.
	Item gyven in almes at Christemas more then the colledge
	gave iijs. vjd.
Ι.	Item gyven to Mother Acton in her sicknes vjd.
	Item for a cupp and a pott for the communion Bord iijs.
	Item for the caryage of them from London vjd.
	Item to Roger Bushell for tylynge ij dayes apon the churche
	and to his man iijs.
	Item for iij bushell of lyme vjd.
	Item for sande jd.
	Item for wyne at tymes for the communion as aperithe by
	a bill for the space of iiij yeres vs. xjd.
	Item for weshyng duryng the seyd tyme vjs.
	Summa totalis xiijli. ijs. viijd.

And so remaynethe to the churche the premisses allowed xliijs. ijd., whiche some is payd in the presense of the parishe and this accompt discharged.

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52. The Accompte of Richard Fisher, Keper of the churche stock.

In primis it dothe apere at the last accompt taken, videlicet the xvij of Januarie 1562, that there was delyuered in to the custodie of the seid Richard Fysher the some of ixli. whereof he askethe allowance, videlicet,

In primis gyven to John Malten ijs.

Item lent by hym to Hamons iijs. iiijd.

Item gyven to Katheryn Doctor xijd.

Summa vjs. viijd.

So remaynes viijli, xiijs, viijd.

Memorandum that there is at this presente tyme delyucred to the custodic of the seid Mr. Fysher the some of ix/i. xs.; and the residewe of the money rysyng of the former

accompt made by Roger Folliott is gyven in almes as followith, and delyuered before hand to the newe church wardens as hereafter maye apere

Item in almes to Elkyns for his boye	ijs.
Item to Katheryn Acton	xij <i>d</i> .
Item to Katheryne Doctor	vjd.
Item to Katheryne Smithe	vjd.
Item to Philip Jeffereyes	ij <i>d</i> .
Item to John Malten	xxd.
Item to the Clark	iiijd.
Item to mother Margett	iiij <i>d</i> ,
Item to Dixson	iiijd.

of the seid churche John Oseland and John Birde. And also there is chosen to be sixe men of the seid parishe, to be joyned with the seid wardens for placyng of seats, and other thyngs to be done about the churche landes, and necessarie afayres about the said churche, videlicet, Richard Fysher, Roger Folliott, John Danks, George Wall, Nicolas Broke, and Richard Alen.

Item there is delyuered to the handes of the foresaid wardens furthe of the former accompt of Roger Folliott xxs., videlicet xs. apece.

Item there remaynes in a chest in the custodie of Mr. Doctor Hare xix peces of Evidences for our churche lande, vnder a locke with thre Keyes, whereof on remaynithe in the custodie of Roger Folliott, a nother with George Wall, and the third with Nicolas Broke.

53. [1562.] A Terrar of all soche Landes medowes Lesowes and pastures as belong to the churche of St. Mighell within the citie of Worcester, Lyng and Beyng at Clifton within the parishe of Severnestoke in the countie of Worcester, taken and acknowledged bie men of good age and longe abydyng within the seid parishe, the xxv daye of September 1562.

In primis one meste close lying betweene the ground of Nicolas Clifton gentleman on the northe side and the land of William Somer on the southe side, shotying into the strete of Clifton estward, and hath the land of John Folliott esq. on the west part.

- Item one litle close betwene the tenement of the seid Nicolas Clifton and a close of the same Nicolas on the southe syde, shotyng into the strete at Clifton.
- Item one leasowe or pasture called Barne's home lying betwene Clifton home and Severne, and shotithe southeward apon the lesowe of Nicolas Clifton and Clifton home on the northe parte.
- Item one other leasowe or pasture called Ricarde's Lesowe apon Severne banke on the one parte and a pasture of Nicolas Clifton called Lowefyld on the other parte.
- Item one medowe pleck at Mitt hurste, betwene the medowe ground of Mr. Clifton and William Somer.
- 53b. Item a medowe pleck at Barne's home shotyng at bothe endes apon the Lord of Seuernestoke['s] medow.
 - Item a other medowe plecke beyng Cott medowe in Clifton home
 - Item one other parcell of Cott medowe called the Harpe.
 - Item one other parcell of medowe at Cadnall between Rough more and the land of Richard Wade, and shotithe on bothe thendes apon the land of Nicolas Clifton.
 - Item one other litle medowe plecke lying bie Quadmore.
 - Item one farmedell of land in Suffyld, betwene the land of Nicolas Clifton on the southe syde and William Somer on the northe syde, shotyng on Westemore.
 - Item one other farmedell in the same fyld, betwene the land of Stoke on the southe parte and Nicolas Clifton on the northe part, and shotithe apon the seid more.
 - Item one other farmedell in the same fyld betweene the land of Stoke on the southe syde and Mr. Clifton on the northe syde, and shotithe apon the seid more.
 - Item one other farmedell in the same fyld between the lord on the west parte and Mr. Clifton on the est parte, and shotithe to Wofyld.
- 54. Item one farmedell in the same fyld betwene the land of Nicolas Clifton on the southe syde, And the land of Kenelme Wynselowe on the northe syde, shotyng to Arle.

- Item one other farmedell in the same fyld betwene the land of the seid Wynselowe on the southe syde and the lord of Stoke on the northe syde, and shotithe to Arle aforeseid.
- Item one farmedell in Woefyld betwene the land of John Folliott esquier on the southe parte and the land of the Lord of Stoke on the northe syde, shotynd to Arle on the west And on the este to Westemoreland.
- Item one butt of land in the same fyld, shotyng to Arle betwene the land of Nicolas Clifton on the este syde and the land of John Berewick on the weste parte.
- Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld between the land of Mr. Clifton on the este syde and the land of the lord of Stoke on the west syde, and shotithe on the land of William Coks southeward, and the land of the lord northeward.
- Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld betweene the land of Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes, and shotithe to Arle at the northe end, and the weye to Sanford at the southe end.
- Item one other halfe Acre in the same fyld betwene the land of the lord of Stoke on the northe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the southe syde, And shotithe on Quadmore and the weye to Sanford.
- 54b. Item on other halfe Acre in the same fyld betwene the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde, and shotithe between Quadmore and Arle.
 - Item one farmedell in Huffyld betwene the land of John Folliott esquier on the northe syde and the land of John Berewick on the southe syde, shotyng in leynthe betwene Astemore and the high we've betwene Clyfton and Severnestoke.
 - Item one other land in the same fyld betweene the lorde's land on bothe sydes, shotyng betwene Astemore and the weye aforeseid.
 - Item one butt betweene the land of the lord on the northe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the southe syde, shotyng betwene Arle and the land aforeseid.
 - Item one halfe Acree in the same fyld betwene the land of Nicolas Clifton and the land of John Somer, shotyng to the high weye aforesaid.
 - Item one half Acre in the same fyld betwene the land of

- Mr. Clifton on the northe syde and the land of William Somer on the southe syde, shotyng on Astemore at the este end and the highwey aforeseid at the weste end.
- Item one halfe acre in the same fyld betwene the land of the lord of [sic] the southe syde and the land of Mr. Folliott on the northe syde, shotyng betwene the high weye and Arle aforeseid.
- Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld betweene the land of Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes, shotyng betwene Astemore and the wey aforesaid.
- 55. Item one farmdell shotyng to the high weye aforeseid and cuttithe of at the butts, shotyng to Astemore between the land of Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes.
 - Item one halfe acre shotyng betwene Arle and the seid highweye the land of the lord on the northe parte and the land of William Somer on the southe parte.
 - Item one farmedell shotyng the same we've betwene the land of Mr. Clifton on the southe syde and Mr. Folliott on the northe syde.
 - Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld shotyng on Astemore betwene the land of Mr. Folliott on the southe syde and William Somer on the northe syde.
 - Item one halfe Acre shotying on the weye to Worcester bie the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe parte.
 - Item one halfe Acre in the nether forlong of the same fyld shotyng on Astemore betweene the land of Kenelme Wynslowe on the northe syde and William Somer on the southe parte.
 - Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld shotyng on the weye to Worcester betwene the land of the lord on the southe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde.
 - Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld in the mydle forlong betwene the land of the lord on the southe parte and the land of Mr. Folliott on the northe syde.
 - Item one farmedell in the northe fyld shotyng on the marle pytt between the land of the lord on the northe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the southe syde.
- 55b. Item one halfe Acre in the same fyld shotyng on the weye between the land of Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes.

- Item one farmedell shotyng apon Astemore betwene the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde and William Coks and Mr. Clifton bothe on the southe syde.
- Item one farmedell shotyng on Astemore betwene the land of the lord on bothe sydes.
- Item one butt in the mydle forlong shotyng on the hed land of Nicolas Clifton at the southe end.
- Item two butts shotyng on Astemore, the one betweene the land of the lord on the este syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the weste syde shotyng on the hed land of the lord, the other by the land of John Berwick on the Este syde and the land of Nicolas Clifton on the west syde.
- Item one halfe Acre at Ryple gate shotyng on Astemore on the weye betwene the land of the lord on the southe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde.
- Item one halfe Acre in the same furlong betwene the land of John Folliott on the southe syde and the land of Nicolas Clifton on the northe syde.
- Item one farmedell shotyng on Istemore betwene the land of the lord on the northe syde and the land of William Somer on the southe syde.
- Item one halfe Acre in the same forlong shotyng from Astemore to Istemare, the lord on the northe syde and William Somer on the southe syde.
- 56. Item one butt from Wythie mere to the ende of Istemere between the land of the lord on bothe sydes.
 - Item one land, beyng thre farmedells, shotyng from Wethiemere to one hedland of the lord and Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes.
 - Item one butt shotyng fromward Worcester to the land of Mr. Clifton, betwene the land of the lord of Stoke on the weste syde and the land of William Coks on the este syde.
 - Item one halfe Acre in the mydle forlong called Lewes hill betwene the land of the lord on the northe syde and the land of William Somer on the southe syde, shotyng at bothe endes apon the land of Mr. Clifton.
 - Item one farmedell shotyng into Catt's hill betwene the land of Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes.

Item one halfe Acre in the mydle furlong betwene the land of the lord of Stoke on the southe syde And of William Somer on the northe syde shotyng betwene ij wirpes.

Item one other halfe Acre in the same furlong betwene the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde.

Item one butt and one farmedell next the same halfe Acre, shotyng apon the strete at Clifton and the land of William Coks on the southe syde.

56b. Item one butt in the same furlong shotyng apon the close of Mr. Clifton.

Item one butt in Hempstede shotyng from Wethye mere to one land of John Berwick betwene the land of the lord on the southe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde.

Item one farmedell in the mydle furlong in the same fyld shotynge in leynth from the hed land of one Turlyans to the wayneweye betwene the land of the lord on the southe syde and the land of Mr. Clifton on the northe syde.

Item ij butts in Catt's hill furlong, Mr. Clifton on bothe sydes.

Item one butt in Hempstede shotyng apon the black greve, the land of Mr. Folliott on the weste syde and the land of the lord on the este syde.

Item one other butt in the mydle furlong of the same fyld betwene the land of Mr. Clifton on the este syde and William Coks on the weste syde.

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57b. [1567.] The Accompte of John Oscland, churche guardiane of the parishe of St. Mighell, made the vijth daye of Marche 1567, Anno xº regniæ Elizabeth.

Receytes.

57.

In primis receaued for one halfe yere's rent of the land at Clifton due at thannunciation of our Ladie last

xxvjs. viijd.

Item for parte of Robert Kent's rent for his house dependyng apon the last accompte and due at the feaste of St. Mighell 1566 xiijs. iiijd.

Item of Thomas Nayler for seate money

iiijd.

	Item of Humfrey Peryn for seate money	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item for John of Arowe and his wiff	viijd.
	Item of the parishe stocke at his entrey	xs.
Р	ayments.	
	In primis item for the parishe drynkynge after the last	accompt
	before this	iiijs.
	Item a ropp for the little bell	iiijd.
	Item gyven in almes to litle John Taylor when he was	s sicke at
	tymes	xiijd.
	Item for communion bred for this yere	vjd.
	Item communion wyne from Passion Sonday untyll Lov	vsondaye
		iijs. viijd.
58.	Item for the parishe drynkyng upon Easter daye in t	he after-
	noone	iijs. viijd.
	Item in Almes to Katheryn Acton at thre tymes when	she was
	sicke	iijs.
	Item for communion wyne from Low Sondaye tyll Mig	helmas
	Item for communion wyne from Mighelmas tyll this ac	
		iijs. ixd.
	Item for ij bell ropes	ijs.
	Item for a ladder for the steple and mendyng the belle	s ijs. vjd.
	Item for bordes and mendyng the steyars in the steple	viijd.
	Item for nayles	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item for a newe keye and mendyng the lock apon t	he steple
	Item for makyng an Indictement ageynst John Sy	mons for
	fightyng in the churche apon Eastur Daye	ijs.
	Item for weshyng	xijd.
	Item gyven in almes to Katheryn Doctor, Katheryn	•
	Hamon's wiffe, mother Wright, John Dixson, old	
	mother Flecher, and to Payne's wiff, after viijd. a	_
		vs. viijd.
	Item for hyngs for a seate for Mr. Hare	iiijd.
	Summa xxxvijs. ixd., whiche some discharged and	allowed
	there remaynes clere to the churche the some of :	
	beyng payd apon this accompt in the presence	e of the
	parishioners.	
586.	.The accompte of John Byrd one other of the seid	churche
	guardianes made the same daye.	

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In primis for one halfe yere's rent of the land at Clifton due at Mighelmas last xxvs. viijd.

Item for cheritie money at Eastur xvjs. viijd.

Item the seate money of Mr. Doctor Hare for a seate new made whiche the parishioners have promised at this accompt shall remayne to his house for euer vs.

Item of Mistress Bland for the scate that her husband had for her frendes to knele in xijd.

Item receaued at his entrey xs.

Payments.

In primis payd to Clent for Whitson farthyngs for ij yeres xd. Item for ij bawdericks for the belles ijs. vid. Item to Mr. Hymulton of the cheritie money at Eastur viijs. Item in almes to the parishe besides the college gifte ijs. xd. viijd. Item more to mother Margett xiijd. For a peare of shoes for her vid. Item to Katheryn Doctor xiijs. iiijd. Item for Mr. Hymulton's wages 59. Item for weshyng xiid.

Item to Nicolas Broke for makyng Mr. Hare's seate vjs. viijd.

Item for mendyng the quyer and other seates, to hym iijs. iiijd.

Item to Roger Folyott for wrytyng and kepyng our accompts dyuers tymes before this accompt

Item gyven to discharge a certeyne debt that Raphe Symons dothe owe to Humfrey Peryn vs.

Summa lijs. vjd., whiche some allowed and discharged there remaynes to the churche vjs. xd. beyng payd apon this accompt in the presens of the parishioners.

And the foreseid some of ix/i. xs. delyuered to the custodic of Richard Fisher in the last accompt is so remayning in his custodie.

And there is of newe chosen guardyanes of the seid churche John Byrd and Humfrey Peryn. And the sixe men to continewe as they are. And there is gyven in almes by the seid guardyanes of the money nowe delyuered vnto them apon this accompte, videlicet xs. apece, as followithe vs. and the residewe dyd remayne in overplus of this accompt.

Margett vjd.; Dixson vjd.; Philipp vjd.; the Clarke vjd.;
Katheryn Doctor viijd.; Katheryn Smithe iiijd.; Hamon's
wiff iiijd.; Mother Wright iiijd.; George Coke iiijd.
Woodfall iiijd.; Bridge ijd.; Howell ijd.; Lee iiijd.; David
Gough ijd.; Posterne ijd.

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60. [1568.] The accompt of John Byrd, one of the churche wardens of St. Mighelle's in Bedwardyne, made the xiij daye of Marche 1568, et anno regni Elizabethæ vndecimo.

His receytes.

In primis receaued in money at the last accompt xs.
Item Rec. of Thomas Salwey for rent due at thannunciation
of our Ladie last xxvjs. viijd.
Item Rec. of Robert Kent for his rent the 27 of Auguste
last xs.
Item Rec. of Thomas Salwey for his rent due at Mighelmas
laste xxvjs. viijd.
Seate money.

Seate money:

Item Rec. of John Oseland for his seate	vjd.
Of Rafe Symons for his seate	iiijd.
Of John Dixson for his seate	iiijd.
Of William Bristowe for hym and his wiff	xd.
Of William Ford	vjd.
Of John Dyar	vjd.
Of John Byrd	vjd.
Of Richard Woodfall	iiijd.

Churche dett.

PARTIE VALUE CONTROL	
Receaued of Roger Folliott of the churche dett	vjd.
Of Thomas Flecher	vj <i>d</i> .
Of Thomas Hall	iiijd.
Of Nicolas Broke	vj <i>d</i> .
Of Roger Wall	vj <i>d</i> .
Of Richard Alen	vjd.
Of Thomas Naylor .	vjd.

Summa totalis iiijli. vjd.

60b. John Byrde's allowances.

First gyven in almes at the last accompt in the presence of the parishe ijs. vjd.

iijd. ob.

Item for the parishioners drynkynge at Oselande's the same tyme	
Item for a pynne to the saunce bell jd.	
Item gyven to the poore at Easter as aperithe bie a bill	
xiiijs. viijd.	
Item for two bell Ropes ijs. vjd.	
Item for a pynne to the second bell jd.	
Item for Whitson farthyngs vd.	
Item for a Rope to the greate bell xiiijd.	
Item in almes a[t] Christemas besides colledge gifte vs.	
Item to Mr. Cirell and Roger Wheler for a proces to areste	
Mr. Fyssher's goodes at his deathe for the churche money	
iiijs, viij <i>d</i> ,	
Item for Mr. Hymulton's wages due at Mighelmas last	
xiijs. iiijd.	
Item gyven to the pore at sondry tymes as aperithe by his	
bill iijs. iiijd.	
Item for weshyng the churche stuff ijs.	
Summa lis. ixd. And so there remaynes to the churche all	
thynges allowed xxviijs. ixd. whiche is payd apon this	
accompt and the seid Byrd discharged.	
The accompt of Humfrey Peryn one other of the churche wardens made the daye and yere above seid.	
His Receits.	
In primis Rec. at the last accompt xs.	
Item Rec. of Robert Kent of his rent the 17 of August last xs.	
Item for cheritie money at Easter xvjs.	
Summa xxxvjs.	
His allowances or payments.	
Firste gyven in almes at the last accompt ijs. vjd.	
For the parishe drynkyng at Oselandes ijs.	
Item payd to Mr. Hymulton of the cheritie money viijs.	
Item for mendyng the clark's surples ijd.	
Item in wyne to the churche at dyuers tymes vijs. vijd.	
vija. vija.	

Summa xxs. vjd. ob. And so his allowances deducted of the former some there remaynes to the church clere the some

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Item for bred

of xvs. vd. ob.

Memorandum there is clere to the churche of bothe these accompts xliiijs. ijd. ob., where of there is given to the pore of the parishe at this accompt iiijs. ijd. ob., and the residewe xls. is delyuered to Humfrey Peryn and William Ford who ar chosen guardyanes for this yere to come, videlicet xxs. apece. And there is also chosen one of the sixe men Thomas Flecher in the place of Mr. Fisher.

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62. [1569.] The Accompt of Humfrey Peryn, one of the churche guardyanes of St. Mighell, made the vth day of Marche 1569 et regni Elizabeth, etc.

His receipts.

In primis receaued at the last accompte	XXS.
Item for the rent of the land at Clifton xxvjs.	viijd.
Item of Robert Kent of his rent vjs.	viijd.
Item for cheritie money at Eastur	xiiijs.
Item of Roger Folliot for his wiff's seate	xijd.
Item of the Keper of the Castell for his seate and his wiffe's	xijd.
Item of Georg Wall for parte of his dett	vjd.
Item of Richard Alen for parte of his dett	vjď.
Item of Nicolas Broke for parte of his dett	vjd.
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Summa iijli. xs. xd.

xxd.

His Payments.

First at Oselande's at the last accompt	iijd.
Item the same tyme at the seid Humfrey's	iij <i>d</i> .
Item spent apon the parishenors apon Eastur daye at (Oselande's
	iijs.
Item the same daye at George Cardmaker's	viij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven in almes at tymes to mother Margett	iij <i>s</i> .
62b. Item gyven to Thomas Lee in his sicknes at tymes	ijs. vjd.
Item to David Gough	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Katheryn Smithe	iiijd.
Item for halfe the charge of the presentment in the	Bushop's
visitation	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for drynkyng the same daye	iiijd.
Item for procurations at the same visitation	xviijd.
Item gyven to mother Walker in her sicknes	ijs.
Item payd to the masons for makyng the stone walles a	boute the

litle house in the churche end

	ST. MICHAEL'S IN BEDWARDINE, WORCESTER.	65
	Item for lyme and sand	viijd.
	Item for a boxe to put our evidence in	vjd.
	Item for our drynkyng before our goyng to Clifton	iij <i>d</i> .
	Item for a sheffe of Arowes	xviij <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven to John Dixson in his sicknes	vj <i>d</i> .
	Item payde for a baldericke	ijs. vjd.
	Item for the amerciament at Stoke Courte and for my	charges
		viij <i>d</i> .
	Item for ryngyng at the daye of the Quene's entrey	viij∄.
	Item for weshyng the churche stuffe	xijd.
	Item payde for parte of the charges in settyng furthe	of ij men
	into the north	XS.
	Item to Hymulton for the halfe of the cheritie money	viijs.
	Item for wyne to the communion at dyuers tymes as	
	bie a bill	vjs. ixd.
63.	Item for communion bred	vjd.
	Item for a boke of homelies	xijd.
	Item for the charges aboute our churche landes	
	Mr. Clifton and vs, and the expenses of Roge	
	at the counsaile at Bridgenorthe aboute the	
	•	viijs. iiijd.
	Summa iij <i>li</i> , ixs. iiij <i>d</i>	
	And so remaynithe of this accompt clere to the chur	che xva.,
	and the same is payd and discharged.	1 1 -
	The accompt of William Ford, one other of the	churche-
	guardyanes, made the same daye.	
L	Villiam Forde's receipts.	
	First receaued at the Last accompt	XXS.
	Item receaued of Thomas Salweye for his halfe yere's	
		cvjs. viijd.
	Item of Robert Kent for parte of his rent	vjs. viijd.
_ ,	Summa liijs. iiijd.	
636.	William Forde's payments.	7
	Firste in expenses at Oselande's after the last accomp	
	Item for scowryng of harmes	vj <i>d</i> .
	Item given to mother Margett at tymes	iijs. vjd.
	Item given to Katheryn Smithe	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven to Katheryn Doctor	xviijd.
	Item to Sybell Clark	viijd.

Item for parte of makyng of a bill at the visitation	on iiij <i>d</i> .
Item in expenses the same daye	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to Dixson	iiij <i>d.</i>
Item to mother Sergeant	ijd.
Item expenses at Clifton when we dyd goe	to surveye our
ground	xvjd.
Item for my charges Rydyng to the counsaile	at Bridgenorth
about our Landes	vijs. vjd.
Summa xxvj	s. xjd.

And so remaynithe clere to the churche apon this accompt xxvis. vd.

Which is payd and discharged.

64. There is of newe chosen churche Guardyanes for the yere to come William Ford and Roger Folliott, to whom there is delyuered xxvjs. viijd., videlicet xiijs. iiijd. apece. And the reste of the money that remaynithe was given to the pore apon this accompte.

Memorandum that John Danks owithe to the churche of the money that Mr. Fisher had iiijli.; and he and Robert Coffyn as suerties for iijli. more of the same money.

Item that Georg Wall owithe of the same money Item William Grafton of the same money apon his bill XS.

Payments made bie John Danks of the seid iiijli.

Item payd bie hym for settyng furthe of our soldyers into the xiiijs. iiijd.

Videlicet to George Wall for John Blande's harmes vjs. viijd. and to the constable Henry Symons vis. viiid.

Item to Mr. Hymulton for his wages due at Mighelmas last xiijs. iiijd.

64b. [1570.] The accompt of William Ford one of the churchewardens of St. Mighell's made the xj of March, 1570.

Recevtes.

xiijs. iiijd. Rs. at the end of the last accompt Rs. for one halfe yere's rent of the ground at Clifton xxvjs. viijd. Rs. of the cheritie money at Eastur vs. vijd. Summa xlvs. vijd.

Payments.

Item gyven to Katheryn Doctor in almes at dyuers tymes as
aperithe bic a bill iijs. vjd.
Item to David Gough vjd.
Item to John Dixson iiijd.
Item to Katheryn Smithe viijd.
Item to Hamon's wiffe vjd.
Item to bye her a Shrowde ijs. iiijd.
Item for wyne at Eastur ijs. ijd.
Item for wyne at tymes for the communion sythens Eastur vs. iijd.
Item for Ryngyng the daye of the quene's entryng xvjd.
Item for parte of our charges at Ludlowe in the sute that Mr.
Clifton had ageynste vs for our lands xijs. iiijd.
Item for charges of a commission for the same at Malverne
iijs, iiijd.
Item for Whitson farthyngs vd.
Item for bell ropes xviijd.
Item for weshynge the churche lynen xijd.
Summa xxxiijs. jd.
And so there remaynithe clere to the churche of this accompt
xjs. vjd. And the same payd and discharged.
The accompte of Roger Folliott, the other Churche Warden,
the same daye and yere.
Receipts.
Firste receaued apon the last accompte xiijs. iiijd.
Item for the halfe yere's rent of the land at Clifton xxvjs. iiijd.
Item of John Danks for charges in law of Mr. Fisher's debt
xiijs, iiijd.
Item of the cheritic money at Eastur xs. vjd.
Item of Robert Kent for rent and arrerages XXS.
Item of Robert Rent for rent and afferages

65b. Payments.

65.

Item spent at Richard Alen's after the churche accomptxviijd.Item for wyne at Easturijs.Item for glasyng the churche wyndowesvs. ijd.

Item of William Bristowe for ij yeres' rent of John Goughe's

Item of [sic] Cowper for ij yeres' rent of a nother garden iiijs.

Summa iiijli. xjs. ijd.

gardun, towards the payment of his debt

Item payd to Mr. Hymulton of the cheritie money at I	Eastur
	viijs.
Item charges at Shrewesburie betwene Mr. Clifton an	nd vs as
aperithe bie a bill	xs. vd.
Item gyven in almes to David Gough	iijd.
Item to Katheryn Doctor at tymes	xixd.
Item to Dixson at tymes	viijd.
Item to Hamon's wiffe	xij <i>d</i> .
Item to Richard Alen's charges to Ryde to Ludlowe ab	oute our
matter in lawe	iijs.
Item parte of our charges at Ludlowe, Beryn and Fore	d, at the
orderyng and dismission thereof	xijs.
Item at Ludlowe for myself Crastino Andree	xixd.
Item for weshyng the churche lynen	xijd.
Summa xlviijs. iijd.	
And so remaynithe clere to the churche xlijs. xjd.,	

And so remaynithe clere to the churche xlijs. xjd., which is payd and discharged apon this accompt whereof there was allowed to William Ford for his parte of weshyng the church lynen the yere that Peryn and he were wardens because he dyd aske no allowance for the same xijd.

So that there remaynithe clere of bothe these accompts liijs. vd.

66. Memorandum at the same accompt John Danks payd of Mr.

5. Memorandum at the same accompt John Danks payd of Mr. Fisher's dett

And askithe allowance of xxd. gyven bie hym to David Gough in his sicknes; and so remaynithe clere xxxviijs. vjd. Also George Wall payd of the seid dett xiijs., whereof he had allowance of vjd. gyven by hym to Katheryn Doctor; and so remaynes clere xijs. vjd.

Summa Is, xd.

Whereof payd to Mr. Hymulton for his wages	xiijs. iiijd.
to Katheryn Doctor	vjd.
to Dixson	xijd.
to John Gough	xxd.
to Richard Woodfall	iiijd.
to litle Philipp	vjd.
to Katheryn Smithe	iijd.

Summa xvijs. vijd.

So that the totall some of this accompt is clere to the churche all thyngs allowed as is before declared iiijli. vjs. viijd., whereof there is layd in the communion chest iijli. vjs. viijd., and more delyuered to Roger Follyott and Thomas Muckelowe, guardyanes of newe chosen, xxs., videlicet xs. a pece.

66b. [1571] The accompt of Roger Follyott one of the churche wardens, made the xvjth daye of Marche, 1571.

Receipts.

In primis at the last acompt	xs.
Item of Thomas Salwey for ij clme butts	ijs.
Item of Mistres Fissher for parte of her dett	xxvjs.
Item for a Chalis of ix ounces and half at vs. iiijd. t	he ounce
	xlixs. vd.
Item of Thomas Salwey for our Ladie daye rent	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of the cheritie money at Easter	vd.
Item of Roger Lode in erneste of his trees	xijd.
Summa vli. ijs. ijd.	

In primis gyven to the pore at tymes as cheritie	as aperithe
bie a bill	ijs. iijd.
Item to the clarke of the Commemoration	ix <i>d</i> .
Item for procurations in the bushop's visitacion	xviij <i>d</i> ,
Item for tylyng of the churche	xviij <i>d</i> .
Item for lyme and tyle	ijs. ij <i>d</i> .
Item for whityng the churche	vij <i>d</i> .
Item for Bristowe lyme	vjd.
Item for Bords to mend a gutter	ij <i>d</i> .
Item for a commandement for Lode	ijs.
Item for a messenger to the Counsaile	ijs.
Item payd apon the order to Lode	ijs. viijd.
Item for a communion Cupp of vij ounces and iij	quarters at
vs. vjd. the ounce	xlijs. ij <i>d</i> .
Summa jiili, jis, jid.	

And so restethe towardes the churche clere xls., which is payd and discharged.

67.	The accompts of Thomas Mucklowe, a nother Churche Warden
	of the same churche, made the same daye.

Xs.

His Receytes.

In primis at the last accompt

Item for the rent for the land at Clifton due at ou	r Ladie daye
	xxvjs. viijd.
Item of Thomas Salweye for ij trees	xiijs. iiijd.
Item of the same for rent due at Mighelmas	xxvjs. viijd.
Item for the paten of a chalys	xvijs. vjd.
Item for an old lampe	ijs.
Item for an old surples	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for cheritie money at Eastur	xiiijs. iijd.
Item of William Bristowe for a garden	ijs.
Summa iiijli. xixs. vd	
Payments.	
Item gyven to the clarke	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for drynkyng at Richard Alen's	vjd.
Item for our expenses at Clifton	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to David Taylor, mother Katheryn, M	other Wright,
Thomas Lee, John Gough, and other as aperi	the bie a Byll
	viijs. jd.
Item for a shrowde for Katheryn	ijs. iiijd.
Item for wyne to the churche	vjs. xd.
Item for ij commandements for Loode	iiijs. viijd.
Item for ij bylles and a quittance to the commission	
Item for mendyng a bell whele	viijd.
Item for ryngyng for the Quene	viij <i>d</i> .
Item payd to Mr. Hymulton at Eastar	viijs.
Item payd for his wages	xiijs. iiijd.
Item for a bawdrick of a bell	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Item for candelles at Christemas	ijd.
Item for hyngs and nayles for scates	viij <i>d</i> .
Item for glasyng the churche	xvjd.
Item spent at Osclande's on Easter daye	ijs. iiijd.
Item for wesshyng	ijs.
67b. Item for a booke of articles	iiij <i>d</i> .

Memorandum that of these seucrall accompts there remaynithe clere to the churche, all things allowed and deducted iiij/i. xijd.

Summa lviijs, vd., and so restithe towardes the churche clere

Whereof there is putt into the cheste	liijs. iiijd.
Delyucred to the wardens of newe chosen, videlicet Rob	ert Walle
and Thomas Mucklowe	XXS.
And the rest beyng vijs. viijd. is distributed to the po	ore of the
same parish at this present accompte.	
[1572.] v ^{to} die Augusti, 1572.	
Memorandum that John Danks, George Wall, Nicola	
Thomas Allen, and Humfry Perryn, hathe pa	•
sommes of money out of the coffer which re	maynethe
in the churche, videlicet	
Imprimis deliuered to Thomas Muckelowe for to	
	xiijs. iiijd.
Item payde to Robert Walker, which he layed o	
purche at the assices	vijs.
Item payde to him for Mr. Plawden's fee for his couns	
evidences	vjs. viijd.
Item payde to Mr. Scrupe for a commandement agay	
	iijs. iijd.
So remaynethe in the coffer iiij/i. Item delyuered forthe of the cheste the Sonday xv°	viijs. iiijd.
1573 to George Wall	xxxs.
Item to Robert Walker	xxxs. xxiijs.
Item to Robert Warker	AAIIJ3.
68. [1573.] The accompt of Thomas Muckelowe, one of the guardianes of St. Mighelle's churche, made the of July, 1573.	
Receits bie hym.	
In primis apon the last accomp	XXS.
Item for one hole yere's rent of Mistress Salwey for the	he churche
land	liijs. iiijd.
Item of Roger Folliott for Mr. Fisher's dett	xiiijs.
Item of Robert Kent at tymes	XXS.
Item of the charitie money at Easter	xiijs. iiijd.
Item of Cowper for the rent of one of John Goughe's	
	ijs.
Item of Roger Lode apon an order for the trees	xlixs.
Item for seate money Summa viijli. xijs. vijd.	xij <i>d</i> .

68b. Payments bie hym.

. Layments ble hym.	
In primis to Mother Wright	iijs.
Item to Hamons	xvd.
Item to William Spurrier	xijd.
Item to John Gough	vjd.
Item to Dixson	xiijd.
Item to Mother Clark	iijd.
Item to Mother Sergeant	xvjd.
Item to bothe the Elkyns	viij <i>d</i> .
Item to Baston	viijd.
Item to the old Pyncer	viijd.
Item to Katheryn Smithe	viij <i>d</i> .
Item to George Cooke	iijs. vjd.
Item to Partridge	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to the goodwiffe Payne	iiijd.
Item to Ligh	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Partridge	viij <i>d</i> .
Item to David Goughe's wiff	viijd.
Item a porter of a hospitall	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Howell	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for Whitson farthings	vd.
Item for a bottle of wyne to Clifton	xd.
Item for wyne gyven to Mr. Kerle	iiijd.
Item payd to Sir Henry Hymulton for his parte of the	cheritie
money at Eastur	viijs.
Item for wyne at Easter	vjd.
Item for wyne from Eastur tyll Mighelmas	xxd.
Item gyven to Woodfall	xij <i>d</i> .
Item for wyne from Mighelmas tyll Christemas	viijd.
Item for mendyng the Baldericke of a bell	viijd.
Item for ryngyng at the quene's renewing of her rayne	viijd.
Item for a booke	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for mendyng of the churche wyndowes	iiijs.
Item for bell ropes	vijs.
Item for procurations	ixs.
Item payd for a commission from the counsaile about	oute our
churche land	ixs.
Item to William Pyncer seruyng of proces	xijd.

	Item payd to Philip Gardenar aboute the same m	atter for
	goyng to Ludlowe ouer [it] and besydes ijs. that	
	Folliott gave hym	xijd.
69.	Item gyven to Anne Organmaker and her mother	xijd.
		iijs. iiijd.
	Item for bookes	ijs.
	Item payd at Evisham about the process	ijs. jd.
	Item spent apon the parishioners apon Eastur daye at	
		xvjď.
	Item more at Mr. Dighton's	vjd.
	Item Peryn's	ijd.
	Item for wyne	xvjd.
	Item gyven to Gregorie Hart's wiff	ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
	Item drynkyng at William Bristewe's	ijd.
	Item for washyng the churche gere	ijs.
	Item for mendyng the surples	viijd.
	Item to the commissioners for churche goods	ijs.
	Item for a quitance	vjd.
	Item for ij billes	vjd.
	Item for seruyng a command[m]ent	vjd.
	Item to a horse hire to Ludlowe for iij dayes	ijs.
	Item for his meate	ijs. vjd.
	Item for my expenses	iijs.
	Item more for my charges waytyng apon the counsaile	iiijs.
	Item to Mr. Scrope for his paynes at the counsaile	vijs.
	Item to Kydson for the hire of a mare	vjd.
	Item to Peryn at Evisham	xijd.
	Item to Hart's wiff Summa vli. xjs. iiijd.	xd.
	Item payd to Henry Pyncer furthe of the money that a	emaunes
	apon this account as hereafter aperithe, for repharnes when he was constable	
	Memorandum that there remaynes apon this accompayd bie the said Muchelowe, all charges to hym the some of iijli. xvd., whereof he hathe payd	allowed, at this
	presente accompt xljs. iijd., and the rest beyng owithe to the churche.	
	Item payd to George Wall apon his bill xviijd.; m maynyng clere apon this [certain words are scratched out]	

with xvs. that remayned in the cheste is lijs. ixd., whiche money is delyuered to the guardyanes, videlicet to Mr. Walker xxvjs. ixd., And to Mr. Fydo xvjs. and the communion cupp. [Other words are scratched out in the margin of the last sentences.]

69b. A reckenyng of George Wall at the former accompt.

Received by hym furthe of the cheste the some of xxxs.

Payd bie hym to Mr. Walker at Evisham at thassises xs.

Item for the hire of George Walle's horse ijs.

Item for the hire of Roger Follott's horse, Nicolas Broke and George Walle's at Evisham iijs. ijd.

Item for dyner and supper Monday iiijs.

Item Tuisday dyner and supper iijs. vjd.

Item brekefast Wensdaye xviijd.

Item to Roger Folliott for charges in thassises ijs. viijd.

Item to John Danks in licke manner ijs. viijd.

Item expenses between meles at Evisham ijs.

Summa xxxjs. vjd., so that there remaynithe to George Wall xviijd. payd and discharged.

70. A rekenynge of Robert Walker.

Who receased furthe of the cheste xxiijs. And more of George Wall xs.

Payd at Evisham assisses.

In primis for the Juries' dyner	ixs. vjd.
Item to John Wiche for attendyng apon the Jury	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for the inquery of the privie veredict	xij <i>d</i> .
Item to the Judge for the privie viredict	vjs. viijd.
For the clark of thassise fee	ij <i>s</i> .
Item for the enteryng	ijs. iiijd.
Item to the cryar	vjd.
Item to Mr. Fowler's man	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item for thatturney's fee	iijs. iiijd.
Item to the baylye Button for wachyng the Jury	ijs.
Summa xxiiis.	

70b. [1573.] Apud Wigorn, xº die Junii anno Regno Reginæ Elizabethæ, etc., xvº, inter Robertum Walker et Thomam Muckelowe, querentes et Rogerum Lode defendentem.

At whiche daye bothe parties apered before the quene's majesty's counsell in the Marches of Wales, who examened the matter within

specified. And forasmoche as the parties have sufficiently proved bie the deposicions of wittenesses that the defendant bought the eight trees within specified of the late churchewardens of the parishe churche of St. Mighell within specified for xls., and promised to paye the same at a daye long past, for the reparacions of the seid church and reliff of the pore people of the seid parishe, and payd thereof xijd. in ernest; And for that the defendant confessed bie his answere and otherwise that the rest is yet vnpayd; It is at this tyme ordered that the seid defendant shall content and paye to the parties to the vse within specified the rest of the seid xls., beyng xxxixs., together with xs., towardes the parties' costs susteyned in this sute. And the defendent if he woll to be at his remedie over ageynst the within named Thomas Clifton, gent., who he affirmethe toke certeyne of the trees from hym.

J. C. Sherer.

71. The Accompte of Robert Walker, one of the churche guardyanes, the xiiij day of Marche, 1573.

Receaued bie hym the same yere.

In primis of Thomas Salwey for on yere's rent of the land at Clifton liijs. iiijd.

Item of Robert Kent for his rent xiijs. iiijd.

Item receased of the cheritie money at Eastur ixs. vjd.

Item receaued of the churche money at the Last accompt

xxvjs. ixd.

Summa vli. ijs. xjd.

Payments bie hym made.

In primis to Mr. Hymulton for his parte of the Cheritie money

viijs.

Item for wyne at Eastur

iijs. iiijd.

Item for Mr. Hymulton's wages

xiijs. iiijd.

Item to Mr. Kerle for drawyng our Replicacion versus Lode at the counsell vjs. viijd.

Item to Mr. Trovell for his fee at the heryng of the matter

vjs. viijd.

Item to Mr. Prynce for his fee

churche Landes

VS.

Item to Mr. Poughnell, atturney

ijs.

Item charges at Clyfton when the parishe was last there iijs. Item for parchement to write the Dedes and obligacions for the

xijd.

Item for Frende's charges when he sealed our Dedes xijd. Item spent apon certeyne of the parishe at the same tyme vjd. Item for the Baldericke of a bell xvjd. Item for my charges and my man Rydyng twise to the counsaile about Lode's matter vjs. viijd. Item payd for the parishe drynkyng at Mr. Dighton's at Eastur iijs. ijd. Item payd to Frend in parte of his payment whiche was agreed to be payd to hym for his goodwill to make vs a newe feoffement iijli.	
Summa vjli. xxd. And there restithe to be payd to Mr. Walker, for that he hathe	
leyd furthe more then he hathe receaued xviijs. ixd.	
Memorandum that Roger Follyott dothe owe to the Churche	
for plate sold as aperithe by a bill iij/i.	
72. The accompt of Thomas Fydowe, the other churche guardyane, made at the foreseid daye.	
Recepts.	
In primis of the churche money at his firste entryng xxvjs.	
Item of Thomas Salwey for two elmes vjs. viijd.	
Item of Roger Lode for a oke xijd. Summa xxxiijs. viijd.	
Payments made bie hym.	
In primis gyven in almes to Richard Woodfall xijd.	
Item payd to John Danks for money that he leyd furthe aboute	
our sute in Lawe vjs. viijd.	
Item for ryngyng the Daye of the Quene's coronation xijd.	
Item for Whitson farthyngs vd.	
Item gyven in almes to Roger Gough iijd. Item for our charges when we toke possession at Clifton	
iijs. vjd.	
Item gyven in almes to Margery Elkyns vjd.	
72b. Item to Roger Symons vjd.	
Item to Sergeant ijd.	
Item to Lewes Welsheman vjd.	
Item to Woodfall vjd.	
Item to Sergeant vjd.	
Item for weshyng the churche lynen ijs. Item at the bushop of Canter[bury's] visitacion vjd.	
vja.	

Item for wyne to the communion at tymes ijs. ixd. Summa xxs. vijd. And so he remaynithe in the churche dett, althings to hym allowed xiijs. jd., payd and distcharged. Memorandum that at the same accompt Roger Folliott payd of his dett to the churche and was allowed by the hole parishe as folowithe First towardes the payment of Nicolas Freend he payd Item payd bie hym to Philip Gardenar in goyng to Ludlowe with a commission about the parishe sute versus Lode ijs. Item allowed to hym for his charge at the assises at Evisham aboute the sute of the churche land iijs. iiijd. Item allowed to hym for his wrytyng in this booke for dyuers yeres past xs. Item he payd in money at this accompt XS. And so the whole at this tyme by hym payd and allowed is xlvs. iiijd. Memorandum at this presente accompte there was given to the pore of the parishe iijs. jd. 73. And the rest, videlicet xxs., was delyuered at the same tyme, xs. to Thomas Fydowe and xs. to Roger Coffyn, of newe

[1577.] Memorandum the xxj daye of Aperell 1577.

Thomas Fydoe and Mr. Walker for Thomas Coffyn dyd yeld a accompt, as aperithe bie theire billes, and apon the accompt of Thomas Fydo there remaynithe to the churche clere xvijs. ixd., and apon Roger Coffyne's accompt vjs. vijd., all whiche some is delyuered to Mr. Hymulton for the churche vse.

Gyven thereof at the same tyme xxd. to Nicolas Organmaker, Woodfall, Dixson the clark, Katheryn Smithe and Posterne.

73b. [This page is blank.]

74. [1579.] The Accompt of Richard Alen and Walter Walker, churche guardyanes, made the xijth daye of Marche 1579.

Richard Alen's Recepts.

chosen guardyanes.

In primis of John Danks for parte of Mr. Salwaye's rent vs. Item received of Walter Walker xxd.

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Item received of Mr. Hymulton	xiijs. iiijd.
Item received of Thomas Salwaye for parte of	
rent 1578	xiijs. iiijd.
Seate money. Item of John Symons for his seate	vjd.
Item of Humfrey Peryn	viijd.
Item of Chelmarshe	viij <i>d</i> .
Item of Ford	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Gregory Hart	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Dorothie Bushell	iiijd.
Item of Richard Eger	vjd.
Item of Richard Jackeson	viijd.
Item of Nicolas Philips	vj <i>d</i> .
Item of Mr. Archepoll	xij <i>d</i> .
Item of Mistres Stanley	iiijd.
Item of Humfrey Staunton	iiijd.
Item of Thomas Lee	vjd.
Item of widowe Coke	iiijd.
Item of Mr. Bullyngham	viijd.
Item of Rowland Lynyall	xd.
Item of Thomas Salwey for Mighelmas rent 15%	78 xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Item Received of cheretie money at Easter 157	
Item Received at Easter for cheritie money 157	
Summa iij/i. xvs. i	
74b. The money Leyd furthe bie Ric[hard Alen], as	
bill, is iijli. vijs. ijd.	
And so remaynithe viijs. to be payd bie hyr compt, whiche is payd and discharged.	n apon this ac-
Paid to Humfrey Peryn for dressyng of harnes parte of the seid viijs.	s iiijs., which was
The Accompt of Walter Walker one of the church	ie wardens
In primis Received of Danks for parte of Mr. S.	viijs. iiijd.
Received of Thomas Salwey for parte of our 1578	Ladie daye rent xiijs. iiijd.
Received of hym for parte of Mighelmas rent no	
Facto of the factor in	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
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Received of Thomas Salweye for rent

xxvjs. viijd.

Summa Recepta iijli. xxd.

Memorandum that the particulars of the money that Walter Walker hathe Leyd furthe for the churche, as aperithe bie his bill, is iij/i. iijs. ijd. And there is owyng to hym apon thys accompt xviijd. payd and discharged.

Item there remaynithe clere in the churche stock at this tyme xxxiiijs. xd., delyuered to Mr. Archepoll and Thomas Flecher the newe churchewardens.

75. [1581.] Thaccompt of me, Edward Archpole, one of the Churchewardens of St. Michael's in Bedwardyne geaven vp the last daye of Aprill 1581 Anno Regni Reginæ Elizabethæ xxiij°.

A note of receipts before the xth of Julie laste paste.

In primis, I the saide churchwarden do chargde mysellffe with xxxiiijs. xd., Received the xijth of Aprill 1579 at the yeldinge vp of thaccompts of Walter Walker and Richard Allen xxxiiijs. xd.

Item received of the saide Richard Allen vpon Easter daye then next following, which was collected of the Communicants vpon Passion and Palme Sondaic ijs.

Item received the xxixth June nexte ensuynge of Thomas Sallweye the moietie of his fine, videlicet xiij*li*. vjs. viij*d*.

Item received the xvijth of October nexte followinge of the saide Thomas Sallwey hallff a yer's rente due at Mychaellmas before xxvjs. viijd.

Item received of Mr. Pattryck the firste hallff yer's rente of his howse due at January 1580 vjs. viijd.

Item received of Thomas Sallweye, by the hands of iiij of the ffeffees, 23° Junii 1580, the other moitie of his fyne, videlicet xiijli. vjs. viijd.

A note of receipts after the xth of Julie 1580.

Received of Thomas Sallwey his rente due at Mychaellmas 1580 xxvjs. viijd.

Received of Mr. Pattryck his rente and parte of his fyne due at the said Mychaellmas xxs.

Received of Thomas Sallwey his rent due thannunciacion last paste xxvjs. viijd.

Received of Mr. Pattrycke his rente and parte of his fyne due at the said Annunciacion xiijs. iiijd.

Summa totalis of the whole chard[g]e is xxxiiijli. xs. ijd.

75b.	A note of money disburste before the xth of Julie last paste.
	In primis layed oute the same daye I was elected, videlicet,
	the 12 of Aprill 1579, at the meeting of the parishe at
	Walter Walker's vjd.
	Item at thassemblie of the parishe at the same place vpon
	Easter daye then next ensuing viijd.
	Item vpon Sondaye the second of Maye 1579 the moitie of
	xijd. geaven by my fellow Fletcher and me to widdow
	Woodfall, widdow Gest, and widdow Pynner vjd.
	Item the laste of Maye 1579 the moitie of ijs. geaven by my
	fellow and me towards the buriall of wydowe Cardmaker
	xijd.
	Item vpon Whitsondaye 1579 the moitie of viijd. geaven by
	my fellow and me to goodwiff Shaw being sicke iiijd.
	Item payd the vth of Julie 1579 for a quarter C de[midium?]
	rent pale ijs. vjd.
	Item dd. [delivered?] to my fellow Fletcher to provide tymber
	tile lyme, and other necessaries for repayring the parishes
	howse v/i. xs.
	Item payed to Arnold Beane, the xijth of Julie, 1579, for iij sills
	and a side trace xijs. viijd., for a beame a side trace and
	a first peece ixs., for one walle plate iijs., for a quarter of
	rodds vs. ijd., for xij bondell of lathes vs., for ij ease powles
	xijd., for iiij bondell of lathes xxd., for one ease powle vijd.
	for v vinles [?] ijs. iijd., for ij postes ijs. iiijd., the whole
	xlijs. viijd.
	Item payed the same daye for rent pale vjd.
	Item layed out at thassemblie of the parishe at Goodman
	Peryn's the 30th of August 1579, at which tyme thei
	granted a lease to Mr. Pattryke iiijd.
	Item payed to the Clarke towards buylding of his Chymney xs.
	Item geaven to widow Woodfall the 20th of September 1579 xijd.
76.	Item payed to Mr. Bell the 17th of October for his wages due
	at Mychaellmas before xiijs. iiijd.
	Item payed the viij th of November for a deske vjd.
	Item geaven by my fellow and me to the ringers vpon the
	Queen's hoolie daye 1579 ijs. xd. whereof I disbursed xvjd.
	Item geaven amongst the poore of the parishe vpon Christmas
	evee [sic] 1579 vjs. viijd.

	Layed out at thassemblie of the parishe vpon Easter daye	then
	following the moietie of ijs., videlicet	xijd.
	Item to goodman Fletcher's sister at ij several tymes	xijd.
	Item to wyddow Woodfall ij partes of xijd., videlicet	viijd.
	Layed out for scouring of harness	xxd.
	Layed out at the trayning of Soldyars	xvjd.
	Delyuered to the goodman Parryes at the minster topte	e, the
	viij th of Julie	VS.
	Geaven to old father Pynner the moitie of xijd., videlicet	vjd.
Α	note of money disbursed after the said xth of Julie 1580.	
	Geaven the saide xth daye of Julie to a poore man which	came
	to the churche to crave the benevolent of the parishe	vjd.
		s. vjd.
	Item to the Glasyer for mendinge the wyndoes, 17° Julij	ixd.
	Item for a booke of artycles at my L[ast] visitacion	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item geaven to widow Woodfall being sicke	vjd.
	Item to my fellow Fletcher's sister	vjd.
	Item payed for a frame for the ten commandments	iiijd.
	Item spent at thexhibiting of our bill of presentment	xijd.
	Item payed to Mr. Bell, 13 Augusti, his wages for Mychae	ellmas
		s. iiijd.
	Item geaven to Posterne 14 of August by consent of the p	arishe
	towards his journey to the buthes	VS.
	Item geaven to widow Clerke being sycke	xijd.
66.	. Item geaven at the Collection for Portsmouthe	xijd.
	Item to a poore boye which came to require almes a	at our
	church upon St. Mathewe's daye	ijd.
	Item payed for a prayer booke	vjd.
	Item dd. to goodman Perryn at the setting out of foo	temen
	vnto Ireland	xvjs.
	Item geaven to widow Dyxson being sycke	vjd.
	Item to her at an other tyme, viz. 15° November	vjd.
	Item to the ryngers at the Quee[n']s hooliedaye last past	xijd.
	Item payed to Roger Clark 22 Novembris for iij yeres' ar	rerage
	of Whitson farthings	xvd.
	Item geaven to goodman Mucklow in tyme of his sycknes	ijs.
	Item to goodman Grafton at his first sycknes	ijs.
	Item geaven to wydow Clerk 1º Decembris	xijd.

	Item dd. to Mr. Bell vpon Christmas even laste to distribute
	amongst the poorest of the parishe xs.
	Item payed for wyne vpon Christmas daye for the Com-
	municants iijd.
	Item geaven to Widow Dixson the 8th of Januarie vjd.
	Item to wyddow Woodfall the xj th of Januarie vjd.
	Item geaven at ij severall tymes to a mayde which laye syck
	in the howse where my fellow Fletcher's sister dyed xijd.
	Item payed to George Lye the xxiijth of Februarie 1580 for
	tymber, iiij dayes' workmanship of his sellff, and iij dayes'
	of his man, in making iij newe seates adjoyninge to the
	lefte side of the quyer and in mending old seats xixs.
	Item dd. to Mr. Bell to bestow amongst the poore of the parishe
	vpon good fryday laste ijs. vjd.
	Item geaven towards the shardes of goodman Grafton in his
	laste Sycknes ijs.
	Summa tot[alis] of money disbursed xiiij/i. js. vd.
77.	So cleare to the parishe by this accompte the sume of
	xx/i, viijs, ixd,
	Whereof delyuered to Mr. Bland xxs.
	And to Chelmarshe xxs.
	And the rest videlicet xviij/i. viijs. ixd. in the custodie of Mr. Archepole.
	Whereof gyven to Mr. Bell towardes the reparacion of the
	parsonage vs.
	And to Thomas Mucklowe iijs. ixd.
	And so remaynithe xviij/i.
776.	[This page is blank.]

78. [1580.] The accomts of me Thomas Fletcher, one of the cherche Wardens of Saynte Myghel's in Bedwardyne, geuen vp there accomts the laste off Aprell, 1580, Anno Regni Reginæ Elizabethæ xxiijth.

Amounte of moneye Receyved.

In primis fyrste Receyved of Thomas Salwa[y] gentyllman for one halfe yere's Rent dewe at owre Ladye in lent

Item of him for another halfe yere's rent xxvjs. viijd.
Item of charytie money at Easter xs. iijd.

Receyved of Mr. Archepole at the buildyng of Kent's howse vii. xs.
Received of the goods that were praysyd in Kent's howse that
be solde lvijs, iiijd.
Summa xli. xs. xjd.
Geuyn to the poorc.
Item the thyrd of Maye my fellowe Mr. Archepowle and I gaue
to three wydowes the Moitie of xijd., that was wydow
Woodfaule, wydow Pynner, wydowe Gowghe vjd.
Item geuyn to the buryall of Margaret Ferecleffe the laste of Maye xijd.
Item geuyn to the good wyffe Shae the viijth of Junnie by
my fellowe Mr. Archepowle and me the Moietie of viijd.
iiijd.
Geuyn to Margerye Elkyns the xth of November by my fellowe
and me the moytye of xijd. vjd.
Item geuyn by my fellow Mr. Archepowle and me to Raffe
Symons the vj th of Apryll the moyetye of xijd. vjd.
Item geuyn to Margerye Elkyns the same day by my by my
[sic] fellowe Mr. Archepowle and me the moitye of xijd. vjd.
Geuyn to the goodwyfe Woodfaule the xij of Apryll lying verye
sycke the moite of xijd., that was hys viijd. and my iiijd.
Geuyn to Margerye Elkyngs lying sycke xth of June vjd.
There remaynes of Thomas Flecher's accompt clere xxjs. vjd.,
whereof gyven to Thomas Flecher xxs. and now to Peryn
for charges in mustryng xviijd. of newe John Bland and
Richard Chelmarshe [Two lines blotted out with ink.]
8b. Geuyn to the poore and payde owte for other thynges.
Item Receyvyd of charyte money at Ester xiijs. ijd.
Wync for communycants at Ester and all the yeare vs. vjd.
Payde to Mr. Bell of the same money vijs. ijd.
Payments sence owre laste mekyng.
Payde at Wattys at the geuyng vp of owre byll at the vycy-
tacyon iiijd.
[A line blotted out.]
Mendynge the carpet for the communion table vjd.
Payde to the ryngers apon the Quen's holydaye xijd.
Payde for three peyre of hynges for three seats in the cherche ixd.
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Item for nayles and tacks for the seates and to s	
pulpyt	xjd.
Item for two pyllers that the pulpyt [sic]	xijd.
Item for lathe for it	vjd.
Item to George Lye and hys man for a daye's wor	
vp the pulpyt and mend the seats abowte the che	
Item for makyng a clothe for the communion table a	
ynge hols in it	vj <i>d</i> .
Item payde to George Lye for mendyng the beere Item for washyng	viij <i>d</i> . ijs.
Item payde to John Symons for Iorne worke for the p	-
Item payde at Walter Walker's apon Ester daye	
drynkyng	xvjd.
Item payde for two redde skyns to lyne the quoshons	xvja. $xvjd$.
Item for fethers to stuffe them	viij <i>d</i> .
Item for makyng them	xijd.
Payde for the seat where the pulpit stode to George L	-
Summa xvjs. iiijd.	,
Gevyn to the poore.	
Gevyn to wyddowe Woodfaule the xiijth of July	vjd.
Gevyn to Margerye Elkyns the same daye	vjd.
Gevyn to Margerye the xxixth daye of Julye	vj <i>d</i> .
Geven to the good wyffe Clerke the fyrste of Aprell	vjd.
Gevyn to hyr the xxvj th of Aprell	vjd.
Gevyn to the goo[d] wyffe Woodfaule xiiij of Aprell	vjd.
Gevyn to wydo[w] Dyxon the same daye	vj <i>d</i> .
Summa xxxiijs.	
Item receyued of charyte money at Ester laste	xijs. iij <i>d</i> .
Of the same payde to Mr. Bell	vjs. iijd.
For wyne for communycants of the same	iiijs. vjd.
Remanet xviijd.	
Payments for Reparacions of Kent's howse and the che other things nessesarye.	rche and
Item fyrste for Wynne at Aster for communycants	iiijs. iijd.
Payde to Sir Harrye Hybleton of the charytye money	vjs. vd.
Payde at Walter Walker's apon Ester daye at the drynk	yng viij <i>d</i> .
Item for Wynne apon Whytsondaye for the communyc	•
Payd to Rychard Danks the xxth of Maye for mend	lyng the
whels of the bells and a seate in the quyre	viij <i>d</i> ,

	Item payde to Rychard Brotherton for hallyng iiij pi	eces of
	tymber from the Ketye	xd.
	Bestowed apon men to helpe downe with the frame whe	re owre
	lytle bell hanged	vjď.
	Item payde for one hundryth of borde nayle	vij <i>d</i> .
	Item payde for vj hundryth of lathe nayle	xij <i>d</i> .
	Item payde to Ancret and his man for a week's work at	Kent's
	howse	ixs. vjd.
	Payde to a man to helpe them to take downe the old how	vse
		vjd.
	Payd agay[n] to Ancret and his man for an other week	's work
	lackyng a daye	viijs.
	Payde for a loode and a halfe of stone to quyne the house	se iiijs.
	Payde for three barrells of lyme and the carredge i	ijs. iiijd.
	Payde for halfe a hundryth of borde to make two doores	ijs.
	Payde for a thowsand and a halfe of lathe nayle more	ijs. vjd.
	Payde more for a hundryth and a halfe of vij peny nayle	xd. ob.
	Payde to Ancret and hys man for a weeke's worke	ixs. vjd.
	Payde to two men for a week's worke to make the wa	iuls and
	to plaster them	xs. xd.
	Payd to the good man Bosshell and hys man for a daye	's worke
	in tylyng	xviij <i>d</i> .
	Payde to the sawyar for sawyng one of the olde fytrace	es of the
	olde house that was broken to make ledges for the	doores
	and a joyste for the chamber ouer the parler	vjď.
	Item for a rafter powle and to other to make pynns of	xijd.
	Item for a week's worke to Ancret and hys man	ixs. vjd.
	Item for spyke nayle	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item for two barrels of lyme more	ijs. iijd.
	Item for halfe a thowsand of lathe nayle more	xd.
	Item for a hundryth of vij peny nayle more	vijd.
	Item more for halfe a thowsand of lathe nayle	xd.
	Payde to the good man Broke for three loodes of sand	iijs.
79b.	Payde to hym more for iiij loode of cleye	ijs.
	Payde to hym more for hallyng vpe from the Keye three	ee pccys
	of tymber	vjd,
	Payde to hym for caryng iij barrells of lyme and xij bo	
	lathes	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Payde to hym for carryng a loode and a halfe of stoone	vid

Payde to Borshell and hys Sonne and theyre two men for
a week's worke in tylyng xvs. ixd.
Payde to the pergytor and hys man for a week's worke more
vs. xd.
Payde to Gylbarte Ancret and hys man for a week's worke
more ixs. vjd.
Payde to Dowghtye for a thowsand and a halfe of tyle xvs.
Payde to hym for carryng of the same tyle xviijd.
Payde to hym for a loode of sand xijd.
Payde to the good man Malten for v deosen av gutter tyle and
vij crests iiijs.
Payde for an other barrell of lyme xiiijd.
Payde to John Symons for a hynge ij hookes and three lytle
staples iiijd.
Payde to the pargyter for two dayes' worke to make an end
of quoynyng the tyls and poyntyng and whytyng the
wauls xvjd.
Payde to Water Sadler for making the baudrycke new of the
greate bell xijd.
Payde at Walter Walker's for owre breckfaste when we gave vp
owre byll to Mr. Herle at the vysytayon in owre cherche
xij <i>d</i> .
Payde for shuttyng a bell rope iiijd.
Payde for wyne the xi day of October for communycants iijd.
Payde for wyne apon hyr maiestye's holyedaye for commu-
nycants iijd.
Payde to the ryngers the same daye xijd.
Payde to Rychard the tyller and his man for three dayes' worke in
tylyng of the cherche and mendyng the selyng and waules
of the cherche, a pauement in the quyer and other places in
the cherche, and swepyng the selyng and the wauls iiijs. vjd.
Item for two hundryth and a halfe of tyle for the cherche
ijs. vj <i>d</i> .
Item for v stryke of lyme for it xvd.
Item for iiij stryke of sand ijd.
Item for halfe deosen of gutter tyle for the cherche iiijd. ob.
Item for a borde and nayles to stope the south wyndowe in the
cherche iijd.
Item for wyne apon Candylmasse daye iijd.

Payde to the clerk's wyffe for wasshyng ijs.

Payde for a book of prayer towchyng the earthquake vjd.

Wynne for communycants the thyrd of Julie, beyng Sondaye

iijs.

iijli. xiijs. vijd. ob.

Summa totalis viijli. iiijd.; and so remayneth to the church xliijs.

80. [1580.] Memorandum that the xth daye of July 1580 Mr. Archepoll and Thomas Flecher dyd showe theire billes of accompt bie which it dothe apeir that Mr. Archepoll hathe in his custodie clere apon his reckenynge xx/i. vjd., and that Thomas Flecher hathe in his hand xliijs. clere apon his reckenynge remaynynge to the churche.

And at the same tyme Walter Walker delyuered to the parishe the Dede for the land at Clyfton made by John Robynson, the exemplificacion of the recourery for the same Land, a release from Thirkell, the counterpane [sic] of Salweye's old lease and certayne papurs.

Also at the same tyme dyd apere bie a bill that certeyne of the parisheners were in debt to the churche and haue byne so of long tyme, of the whiche many are ded, many pore, and for dyuers other good causes the same debts is forgeven and pardoned bie the assent of the whole parish and discharged.

80b. [1581.] Memorandum that apon Sondaye the last of Aperell 1581 Mr. Edward Archepole and Thomas Flecher made theire accompte for this parishe.

Item that apon the accompt of the said Mr. Archepole all thyngs allowed there dyd remayne to the parish xxli. viijs. ixd.

Whereof delyuered to Mr. John Bland and Richard Chelmarshe who are of newe chosen guardyanes for the yere to come, xxs. a pece.

Item more given to Mr. Bell our curate towardes the reparacion of his house vs.

Item to Thomas Muckelowe iijs. ixd.

And so remaynithe cler in the custodie of Mr. Archepoll xviij/i. Also the accompt of Thomas Flecher all thyngs allowed hym apon his accompt remay nithe clere to the churche xxjs. vjd.

Sī.

Whereof gyven to Thomas Flecher towards the cure of his sone Christofor Flecher xxs. and more	allowed to
Peryn the constable apon a remanet for lacke of	f payment
for settyng forthe a soldyer	xviijd.
And so remaynithe apon his accompt	nihil.
[1582.] The accompt of John Bland one of the churdyanes of St. Mighell parishe made the vjth of May	4.0
Receyts bie John Bland.	
In primis receaued at the last accompt	XXS.
Item receased more	xijd.
Summa xxjs.	,
Payments bie hym.	
For the parisheners drynkyng at Peryn's after the account	ompt xij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to the clarke	vjd.
Item payd to mother Dixson, wickely after vjd. the	weeke, for
xix weeks and half	ixs. ixd.
Item gyven to mother Clark	iijd.
Item gyven to burye her xvijo Maij	xijd.
Item gyven to mother Wodfall	iijd.
Item gyven to Posterne's wife in her childbed	vj <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to a pore man with a licence	xij <i>d</i> .
Item to a nother pore man with a licence	vjd.
Item to a nother pore man with a licence	viij <i>d</i> .
Summa xvs. vd.	-
And so remaynes to the churche clere apon this acc	compt all
thynges allowed	vs. vijd.
Payd and discharged.	
. The accompte of Richard Chelmarshe, the other	er church

816. guardyane of the seid parishe, made the seid daye and yere.

Receytes bie hym.

In primis receaued at the last accompt	XXS.
Item of Mr. Godyer for his seate	xij <i>d</i> .
Item apon Whitsondaye for cheritic money	xiij <i>d</i> .
Item of mother Hancox for her scate	iiijd.
Item of Morry's Davyes for his seate	vjd.
Item of Thomas Bond for his seate and his wiffe's seate	xij <i>d</i> .
Item of Mr. Salweye for Mighelmas rent xxvjs.	viij <i>d</i> .
Item of Mr. Patrick for his rent due then xiija	s. iiij <i>d</i> .

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Item of George Lye for his seate	viij <i>d</i> ,
Item of Symons the tothe drawer for his seate	vjd.
Item of Edward Davyes for his seate	vjd.
Item of Mr. Patricke for our Ladie daye rent	xiijs. iiijd.
Item for cheritie money at Easter	vijs. iijd.
	xvjs. viijd.
Item of Mrs. Mose for her seate	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of William Ford for his seate	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item of Humfrey Peryn for his seate	vjd.
Summa vli. xiijs.	
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Payments bie hym.	
Item gyven to the clarke at thaccompt	vjd.
Item apon Whitsondaye for wyne	xviijd.
Item gyven to mother Clark	iijd.
Item to her buryall	xiijd.
Item to goodwaff Woodfall	iij <i>d</i> .
Item to Edward Heks for wertyng [sic] in the bible	where it
lacked	ixd.
Item to Folke the boke bynder for bosses and class	pes to the
bible	vs. iiijd.
Item to Randle Litle for a balrick for one of the belle	s xijd.
Item to Richard Turnar for mendyng the claper of a b	oell
	iijs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Item to John Awood for part of a bell ropp	xijd.
Item to a pore man with a licence	vjd.
Item to the goodwiffe Woodfall	vjd.
Item for wyne apon All Saints' daye	iiij <i>d. ob</i> .
Item for wyne the xvij of November	iijd. ob.
Item the same daye for ryngynge	ijs.
Item for Whitson farthyngs	vd.
Item to Mr. Bell for his wage	xijs. iijd.
Item for wyne the iijde of December	iiijd.
Item to the pore of the parishe xxij December	ijs.
Item for a keye to the chauncell dore for the curate	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Therle for a bell whele	iijs. jd.
Item for two keyes for a coffer locke	viij <i>d</i> .
Item to Muckelowe's wiff	vjd.
Item to mother Woodfall	vjd.

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82b. For wyne on Passion Sonday	iij <i>d. ob.</i>
For wyne on Palme Sonday	xd. ob.
Item to John Awood for a bell ropp	xxij <i>d</i> .
For wyne on Maunday Thursday	viijd.
For wyne on Easteryeave	vij <i>d</i> .
For wyne on Easter daye	xxd.
For the parishioners drynkyng on the same daye at Mr	. Dighton's
	xxd.
Item to Posterne in almes	vj <i>d</i> .
For wyne on Lowsonday	iiij <i>d. ob.</i>
Item to John Awood for a ropp for the saunce bell	vd.
Item for washyng the churche Lynen	ijs.
Item payd to the goodwiff Dixson for xxxj weeks	, after vjd.
the week	xvs. vjd.
Summa totalis iij/i. ixs. ixd.	

Whiche some allowed and deducted furthe of the former some of v/i. xiijs. there remaynithe to the churche xliijs. xd., whereof delyuered to the newe guardyanes, videlicet, Roger Follyott and Richard Chelmarshe xls., every of them xxs., gyven to the clark vjd., and spent apon the parishenors after the accompt ijs. ijd.

Memorandum that at the same Accompt there was payd to Mr. Bacheler for thre yere that he was behynd of a marke bie yere for the Lease of Kent's house xls., of whiche money there is taken furthe of our churche stock that Mr. Archepoll hathe in kepyng xxxiijs. iiijd. So that there remaynes in his custodie xvjli. vjs. viijd.

83. [1582.] Memorandum that I William Bacheler of the Citie of Worcester, Baker, haue receaued of Roger Follyott one of the churche wardens of St. Mighelles forty sh[i]llyngs of Lawfull money of England for three yere's payment of a mark bie yere, vnpayd for the some of vjli. whiche was promised bie the parishenors there for the redemcion of the lease of Kent's house, the vjth daye of Maye Anno Regni Reginæ Elizabethæ xxiiijth, in the presence of Thomas Malten and Guthelake Follyott.

William Bacheler's \oplus marke.

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83b. [1583.] The accompte of Roger Follyott one of the church wardens made the xij th of Maye 1583.
Receyts.
Receased at his firste entrey to the office xxs.
Receaued of Thomas Salweye for halfe yere's rent of the land at Clifton due at Mighelmas last xxvjs. viijd. Summa xlvjs. viijd.
Payments.
Payd to Mother Dixson after vjd. the week from Mydsomer to Mighelmas xiiij weekes vijs. Payd to Mr. Slough curatt for his wage due at Mighelmas xiijs. iiijd.
Payd in almes at Christemas besydes viijs, that the colledge
gave xvd.
Payd to mother Dixson from Christemas tyll our Ladie daye xij weeks vjd.
Payd for procurations in my L[ord] Bushop's visitacion the v th of Maye 1583 xviijd. Summa xxixs. jd.
And so remaynes clere to the churche all thyngs allowed xvijs. vijd. whiche some is payd and this accompt discharged.
84. The accompts of Richard Chelmarshe the other churche warden the same daye and yere.
Receyts.
Receaued at his entryng to the office xxs.
Receaued for cheritie money at the communion xixs. xd.
Receaued from Mr. Patricke for his rent due at Mighelmas
xiijs. iiijd.
Received of Morrys Davyes for his seat and his wyve's xviijd.
Received Fraunc[i]s Downyng for his seate and his wiffe's viijd.
Received of Davyd Brassy for his seate and hys wyve's xviijd.
Received of Thomas Salweye for his rent due at our Ladie daye
xxvjs. viijd.
Received of Richard Gyles for his seate and his wiff's viijd.
Received of Mr. Patricke for his rent due at our ladie daye
\mathbf{x} iij \mathbf{z} . iiij \mathbf{z} .
Received of Mrs. Benet for her seate iiijd.
Received of the good wiff Abell for her seate iiijd.

Summa iiijli, xviijs. ijd.

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846.	Richard Chelmarshe payments.	
·	For my charges at Stoke courte	iiij <i>d</i> .
	For Ryngyng apon the Quene's holie daye	ij <i>s</i> .
	For a Balricke for a Bell	viijd.
	For mendyng a surples	iiij <i>d</i> .
	For mendyng the glasse wyndowes	iijs. vjd.
	For a bell rope	xxjd.
	Gyven to the godwiffe Wodfall	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Payd for the parishe drynkynge at Easter	iiijs. vijd.
	Gyven to the good wiffe Alberowe to burie her child	vjd.
	Payd for the bill of presentment in the visitacion of	
	bushop	viijd.
	Payd to the Regester at the delyuery thereof	vj <i>d</i> .
	Item spent the same daye	xvijd.
	For washyng the churche lynen	ijs.
	For mendyng a seate	jd.
	Payd to Mr. Slowgh of the cheritie money	ixs. xd.
	For wyne to the communion at dyuers tymes as ape	rithe by his
	bill	vs. viijd. ob.
	And more for wyne	iijd.
	Payd to Mother Dixson at tymes bie vjd. a weke	xiijs. vjd.
	Summa xlvijs, xjd. ob.	
	And so remaynethe to the churche clere apon th	is accompt
	ls. ijd. ob. payd and discharged.	1
85.	Memorandum at this accompt Mr. Archepoll dely	-
	the parishe the churche stocke whiche dy'd rem	-
	custodie, videlicet xvjli. vjs. viijd., of the whiche se	•
	lend to Richard Alen vs., whiche vs. and viijs. iii	
	make it vp to xiijs. iiijd., the parishe gave t	to the said
	Richard in respect of his age and pouertie.	
	Item gyven also to Walter Heywood towardes his	-
	comyng from London to be our clarke	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
	And so remaynes stocke clere at this accompte	
		xiijs. vd. ob.
	Whereof delyuered to the guardyanes of newe >	
	videlicet	xls.
	And so remaynes clere in the custodie of Roger Fol	
0.1	xvj/i.	xviijs. v <i>d. ob</i> .

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86. [1584.] There was chosen churche wardens of newe for the yere to come John Byrd and William Ford, the Seventhe of June, 1584. The Accompts of Roger Follyott, the last churche warden, for the whole receytes of the last yere made the xxiij of June, His receytes. Imprimis of Thomas Salwey for his rent for one yere endyng at thannunciacion of our Ladie last past liijs, iiijd. Item of Mr. Patricke for his rent due at the same feaste xxvjs. viijd. Item for the Cheritie money at Easter xvijs. xjd. Item in money of the churche stocke xviijli. xiiijs. vd. Item of Mrs. Bullyngham for her seate xijd. Item of Mr. Packeman for his seate and his wiffe's xijd. Summa xxiijli. xiijs. iiijd. 86b. His payments. In primis payd for wyne for the communion at dyuers tymes as aperithe bie his bill Item to George Lye for makynge a newe joyned seate for xs. viid. Mrs. Bullyngham vijd. Item for hyngs to the same Item gyven to wydowe Payne at tymes in her sickenes and to iijs. bury her Item for halfe thousand of tyle to repare the churche VS. vid. Item for the caryage of them Item for lyme and sand for tylyng and whiting the churche ijs. vijd. iijd. Item for carriage of it Item payd to Richard Mathewes and his ij men for tylyng and whiting the churche after xviijd. the daye xjs. vjd. Item for Lathes and nayles crests and gutter tyle xvid. Item payd to the constables Lynyoll and Lye for the subsidie iijs. of Edward Bullyngham ijs. Item for a salter boke for the clarke Item payd to Mr. Slough our curate for his Mighelmas wages xiijs. iiijd. Item payd to Roger Clarke for Whitson farthyngs due for ij yeres

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	Item for Ryngyng apon the Quene's holy daye	ij <i>s</i> .
	Item for glasyng the churche	ijs. vjd.
87.	Item to George Lye for removyng Mrs. Bullynham's	seate at
	the curate's aperyutom [?]	viij <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven to mother Lye, bie vjd. the weke, begynn	nyng the
	xixth of Januarie to the xxth of June, videlicet xiij	weekes
		xjs. vjd.
	Item gyven to Mother Woodfall at tymes when she was	s sicke as
	aperithe bie his bill	ijs. iijd.
	Item payd for light in the churche at Christemas	ij <i>d.</i>
	Item for iij quarters of borde to flore the seates in the	churche
		iijs.
	Item for sylles to lye under them	xij <i>d.</i>
	Item to a carpenter for a daye and half	xvd.
	Item for nayles	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item for washyng the churche lynen	ijs.
	Item for mendyng a bell whele	iiijd.
	Item for medyng the baldericke of the greate bell	vd.
	Item gyven to wydowe Hancoxe and mother Naylor	on Good
	Frydaye	xij <i>d</i> .
	Item gyven to iij pore wemen	iij <i>d</i> .
	Item payd at Walter Walker's on Easter daye for the o	lrynkyng
	of the parishioners besides the money they spent	vjs.
	Item payd at the openyng of our boxe with the curate	xd.
	Item payd to Mr. Slowgh of the cheritie money	xiijs. xjd.
	Item gyven to John Pynvyn at tymes in his sickenes	ijs.
876.	Item gyven to wydowe Grafton in her sickenes	xijd.
	Summa totalis vli. vijs. vjd.	

And so remaynes to the churche cler all thynges allowed apon this accompt xviijli. vjs. xd.

At which acompte it is agreed bie the consent of the parishioners that John Bird and William Ford the churchewardens shall have apon good suerties to be bound to Roger Follyott and John Bland for the redelyureye thereof xijli., videlicet vjli. a pece.

Item there is order taken for xxs. parte of the former some of xviijli. vjs. xd. that was lent to Richard Jackeson our clarke to have gyven hym thereof vjs. viijd., and the reste to be recaued bie the churche wardens of the clarke's house that Christofer the vnderkeper dwellithe in after the rente of vjs. bie yere.

Item there is given at the same tyme to the fyndynge of William Bristowe's pore chyldren of one yere vjs. viijd. And the resedewe of the money beynge vli. ijd. is ordered to be putt into the cheste in the churche vli. ijd.

Memorandum taken out of the cheste the xxixth daye of September, 1584, the some of xxvjs. viijd. to pay William Batcheler for ij yeres' payment of xiijs. iiijd. by the yere, in the presence of Edward Sloughe curate, Roger Folliatt, John Birde, William Forde, Nycholas Phillips, and Richarde Jackson.

88. [1585.] June 27. Memorandum Jhon Birde churchewarden hathe delivered vp his accompte in the presence of the parisheoners the saide xxvijth of June, whereby it appearethe that he hathe received xjli. xs.

And hathe laide oute as appearethe by his bill iiijli. viijs. ijd. And so remainethe cleare to the churche vijli. xxijd.

Item the accompte of William Forde the other churchewarden the same daye his vjli. broughte in whereof he requirethe allowance as appearethe by his bill viijs. viijd.

And so remaine the cleare to the churche vli. xjs. iiijd. And there was remaininge in the cheste iijli. xiijs. vjd.

Summa totalis xvjli. vjs. viijd.

On the same daye were chosen churchwardens for the yeare to come William Forde and Nicholas Phillips, by consente of the minister and parishioners geven forthe of the former some to Thomas Bristowe vjs. viijd.

Memorandum that the xviijth daye of July 1585 there was taken forthe of the cheste to hand to Richard Alen, beyng suerties for the same Thomas Flecher and Walter Walker.

88b. Memorandum that William Forde gaue upp his accompt the xxvjth of June 1586, in which accompt his receiptes comethe to ixli. ijs. iijd.

Out of which some he is allowed vppon this accompte as appearethe by his bill vjli. xs. iiijd. ob. soe that there remaine the to the churche

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Out of which sume he is allowed vppon this accompt as apperethe by his bill xlixs. xd. ob.

Soe that there remainethe due to the Churche vjli. xs. iiijd. ob.

At the same daie and yeare Nicholas Phillips another of the Churche Wardens gaue vpp his accompte in which accompt his receipts comethe to vijli. vjs. xd.

Oute of whiche accompt he was allowed xxxiiijs. soe that there remainethe clere of his accompt due to the Churche

vli. xijs. xd.

Alsoe there remaines clere in the bagge restinge in the chest in the churche iiijli.

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Summa totalis xvjli. iijs. ob.

The same daie and yeare there are chosen churche wardens againe William Foorde and Nicholas Phillipps.

The same day there are appointed collectors for the whole yeare John Leonard and Simon Johnes.

[1586.] Memorandum the xviij daye of September there was lent to Thomas Flecher the some of xxxs. apon a gilte salte with a cover for a monethe's space.

Memorandum the xxiij day of December the savlt was takene forthe of the cheste and there was paye[d] xxs. in money and two spones put in for xs.

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89. [1587.] Memorandum the ijde daye of July there is lend to Richard Jones alias Gyles, xxxx., to be repayd apon a obligation at Mydsomer next.

Memorandum the xxixth daye of October 1587 there is lent to Symon Jones Twthe Drawer xxs., to be repayd apon a obligacion at the feaste of the annunciation next coming, which obligacion remaynithe in the hands of Roger Follyott.

The accompte of Nicolas Philipes, seconde July, 1587.

Receaued of the Churche stocke at his entrey

vjli.

Received of Mr. Salweye's rent

liijs, iiijd.

Received of D. Patrick's rent

xxvjs. viijd.

Received at Eastur for hoselyng wyne

xxijs. vjd.

Summa xli. xvijs. vjd.

Whereof payd and allowed to hym apon his bill iiij/i, ixs, ijd. And so remaynes clere apon his accompt the somme of

vjli. iiijs. iiijd.

The Accompte of Wm. Forde the said daye and yere, videlicet the seid Wm. receaued at his enterynge of the churche stocke vjli.

Whereof he payd in expenses at the Bushope's visitacion xijd. And so remaynes elere to the Churches vse vli. xixs. The whole stocke remayning at this accompt xvjli. vijs. iiijd. Whereof delyuered to Nicolas Philippes and Walter Walker, the wardens for this yere following, the some of xijli., videlicet, vjli. a-pece. And the remaynder beyng iiijli. is disposed as followethe.

89b. Ther is lent to Richard Alen apon suerties xxs.

Item there is lent to Richard Jones xxxs.

Item there is lent to Symon Jones xxs.

And the reste to the cheste,

- 90. [1588.] The accompte of Nicolas Philippes on of the Churche wardens made and yelded vp the xxviij of June 1588.
 - The receytes of hym as maye apere bie his bill amountithe to the some of xli. viijs. ijd.
 - Whereof payd bie hym as maye also apere bie his bill of particulers in almes and otherwise iij/i. iijs. viijd.

And so remaynes of his accompt clere to the churche

vijli. iiijs. vjd.

- Whereof delyuered to Richard Chelmarshe of newe chosen Churchewarden vj/i.
- And the reste beyng xxiiijs. vjd. is put in the cheste, so that there is remaynyng in the cheste with xs. that was there before xxxiiijs. vjd.
- 90b. The accompte of Walter Walker the other churche warden for the yere to come made the seid xxix of June 1588.
 - Whiche seid Walter Walker delyuered in apon this accompte vj/i. whiche he had in his custodie at his election to the office. And hathe the same vj/i. agayne vntyll the next accompt.

Item he payd the some of vs. whiche Henrie Staunton of

Whityng[ton] hathe given to the pore of this parishe, whiche was delyuered privately to the pore as folowithe

to Gregorie Hart	ijs.
to Richard Jackeson	xij <i>d</i> .
to mother Woodfall	vj <i>d</i> .
to father Nayler	vj <i>d</i> .
to mother Shawe	vj <i>d</i> .
to a boye called Woodfall	vjd.

91. [1589.] The accompte of Walter Walker on of the churche guardyanes of this parishe of St. Mighell made the vj daye of July 1589.

The seid Walter Walker delyuerethe his money that he had of the churche stocke, videlicet vi/i., and askithe allowance of xxviiis., for trymyng and makyng of Seats in the churche, of whiche xxxiiiis, he is content to take but xiis, and to gyve vnto the rest, whiche xijs. is payd vnto hym apon this accompte.

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92. The accompte uf Richard Chelmarshe on of the churche guardyanes of this parishe of St. Mighell made and yelded vp the vi daye of July 1589.

The seid Richard dothe accompte that he receaued of the parishe at his enteryng to the seid office

Item more for halfe yere's rent from Thomas Salwey due at Mighelmas xxvis. viiid.

Item on other halfe yere's rent of hym due at our ladie daye xxvis. viiid.

Item of Doctor Patricke for on hole yere endyng at our ladie daye for the house he dwellethe in xxvjs. viijd.

Item for cheritie money at Easter xs. iijd. Item of John Locke for his seate and his wiffe xijd. Item of Mr. Crompton and his wiff xijd. Item of John Horward and his wiffe xijd.

Item of Mr. Hickmanes and his wiffe xijd.

Item of John Walker and his wiffe vid.Item of July Bradshawe for her seate xviijd.

Summa xli. xvjs. iijd.

Whereof he hathe leyd forthe in almes and other necessarie charges as aperithe by his bill iijli. vjs. iijd.

And so remaynes clere to the churche vijli. xs., out of whiche vijli. xs. was payde to Walter Walker xijs., and gyven to Henry Brevatar iijs., to Jackeson xijd., to father Alen ijs., to Thomas Lee ijs., to John Chester vjd., to the old collectors vjd., And so remaynes vjli. ixs., whiche vjli. ixs. remaynes in the handes of the seid Richard Chelmershe. There is of newe chosen Richard Chelmershe and William Elvins, to whom is delyuered vjli. a pece.

92b. [1590.] Memorandum that the xvij daye of Aprell 1590, beinge Good Fryday so called, There was given to the pore of this parishe of St. Mighell xijs, bie the churche Reves of the same parishe according to the Laste will and testament of Mr. Thomas Hare doctor of phisicke, videlicet

Thomas Lee	xijd.
Richard Alen	xijd.
Richard Jones alias Gyles	xijd.
Widowe Hart	xij <i>d</i> .
Richard Jackeson	xij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Patten	xijd.
Widower Nayler	xijd.
Thomas Bushel	xij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Elkyns	xij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Shawe	xijd.
Henry Brevitar	xijd.
Christopher Barker	xij <i>d</i> .

93. The Accompte of Richard Chelmarshe on of the churche guardyanes made the v daye of July, 1590.

His Receytes.

In primis Receaued for on hole yere's rent of Land at Clyfton liijs, iiijd.

Item for the rent of Doctor Patrick's house for on hole yere xxvis. viiid.

Item for cheritie money collected at Easter of the communicants viijs. ijd.

Item receaued of the churche vj/i.
Item more remayning apon his last accompte ixs.

	Item of Mr. Morgan for his seate	xijd.
	Item receaued of the communicants on Whit Sonday	iijd.
	Summa xli. xviijs. vd.	
I	His payments.	
	Item gyven to Thomas Muckelow, an old parishenor	, at tymes
	in almes as aperithe bie particulers	xiijs. vjd.
	Item gyven to mother Woodfall at tymes	xviijs.
	Item gyven to mother Nayler at tymes	viijs. iiijd.
	Item given to widow Hart at tymes	xviijd.
	Item payd for communion wyne at tymes	viijs. ob.
	Item for Witson farthings	vd.
938	. for a bell ropp	xijd.
	for a servy's booke	VS.
	for Ryngyng on the Quene's daye	ijs.
	to Edward Carpenter for mendyng the clark's house	xvjd.
	for glasyng the churche	xd.
	gyven to John Wall	xijd.
	to Henry Alen for tylyng the churche	viijs. vjd.
	to Jackeson for washyng the churche Lynen	ijs.
	Item payd to xij pore men of this parishe xijd. a	-
	Good Frydaye accordyng to Doctor Hare's last	
	testament	xijs.
	Item my expenses at the partyng of the cherity mone	
	Item for entryng Mr. Picher for the tothe drawer's det	-
	For a declaracion	vjd.
	For a capias	xvjd.
	For Coterell's yeldyng to the dett	iiijd.
	For Judgement	iiijd.
	Item payd to the curate the vj of July for his pension	
	Item gyven to Henry Brevytar	iijs. iiijd.
	Summa vli. iiijs. iiijd. o	<i>b</i> .
	And so thus allowed there remaynithe to the chur vli. xiiijs. ob. payd and discharged.	che clere
94	The accompte of William Elvyns made the same daye	
	The said William Elympa researed at his semana to	41

The seid William Elvyns receaued at his comyng to the office vjli., whiche vjli. he hathe delyuered apon this accompte.

Receased more by Roger Follyott videlicet for the dett of Symon Jones xxs.

Item for the dett of Richard Jones alias Gyles, the rest pardoned xxs.

Whiche somes are payd and reckened for apon this accompte.

Whereof given to the pore at this accompte, videlicet

to the parishe clarke	xij <i>d</i> .
to Ryver's wiffe	vj <i>d</i> .
to Mother Shawe	vjd.
to Mother Nayler	vjd.
to wydowe Hart	vjd.
to widowe Elkyns	vj <i>d</i> .
to Bushell	iij <i>d</i> .
to Lewes	iijd.

Memorandum that William Elvynes and Robert Caryngton are of newe chosen guardyanes for the yere to come, to whom is delyucred xij/i., videlicet vj/i. apece. And the rest beyng xxxiiijs. is iiijs. in almes and xxxs. to the cheste. And so remaynethe in the cheste iij/i. iiijs. vj/d., in the presence of Walter Walker, William Elvyns, and me Roger Follyott.

94b. [1591.] Whereas controversic hath benne between the parishioners of St. Michaell's in Bedwardine neare the City of Worcester and Roger Folyat, one of the same parishe, for certaine sommes of money supposed to be due vnto the sayd parishe by the sayd Roger, especyully for certaine Arrerages of a yearlye pension payd by the Church of Worcester vnto the sayd Roger Folyott for the vse of the parson of the sayd church, which should have beenne payd by the sayd Roger accordingly, and in some part was not. Now for the appeasing of all striffs, controversies and debates between the sayd parties, and vpon submission of both parties made vnto Mr. Deane of Worcester yt now is, It is by him ordered and concluded with the consents of all parties, that the sayd Roger shall presently pay the some of fiftic shillings vnto the hands of the churchwardens for the time being to the vse of the sayd parish in full satisfaction and paiment of all the Arrerages of the sayd yearly pension and all other demands, debts, dueties, summes of money, actions, quarrells, debates, judgements, executions, or molestations whatsoever which the sayd parishioners maye or might move stirre,

or pretende, aime, way, or recover against the sayd Roger Folyat, his heyres, Executors, Administrators, or Assignes, from the beginninge of the world vnto this present day, being the vijth of Aprill in the yeare of the Reign of our soveraigne Lady Queen Elizabeth the xxxijth 1591. Which some of ls. we the said Churchewardens have receaued accordingly which we testeffy by subscribing our names. And of that ls., with the consent of all parties, we gaue and delivered xs. to Phillip Gardner of the foresayd parishe in regard of his paines and chardges in procuring a commission concerning this matter so osibred [?] [in another hand with other ink] by Mr. Deane.

Fran. Willis, Deane.

Wilems Elvyns' M marke, on of the church wardens above named; Robt. Carington, churchwarden also.

[Previously to this award the entries in the book had been made nearly entirely by Roger Follyot. His handwriting does not appear again.]

95. [1591.] The accompt of William Elvyns on of the Churche Guardyans made the sixt daye of July 1591.

At whiche tyme the said William Elvyns did deliuer in his vjli. whiche was the last yere deliuered to his Custodie.

The accompt of Robert Carrington the other churche warden made the said vjt daye of July 1591.

The said Robert Carrington doth accompt that he receaued of the parishe at his entrynge to the said office vjli.

Item more of widowe Salwaye for halfe yere's rent due at Michaelmas last past to the parishe xxvjs. viijd.

Item on other halfe yere's rent of his due at our ladie daye

xxvjs. viijd.

Item receaued of Mr. Edward Archepoll for halfe yere's rent of Doctor Patricke's howse due at Michaelmas last

xiijs. iiijd.

Item on other halfe yere's rent of him due at our ladie daye xiijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued of Mr. Folyott the xixth daye of Aprill, vppon agreement betwixt the parishe and him whiche was due to the parishe xls.

Item receaued of Chadbourne of Whittington due to the parishe
for certeyne money remayninge in his handes by the gyfte
of Henry Staunton latly deceased vs.
Item for Cheritie money at Easter viijs, vjd.
Summa xijli. viijs. vjd.
His Payements.
Inprimis payd to Mother Naylor after viijd. the weecke from
the xth daye of July vnto the xxvijth daye of Marche
xxxviij weeckes xxvs. iiijd.
Item payd to Mr. Fysher, Curate, the xvth daye of July for
his pension xiijs. iiijd.
Item payd to the good wyffe Chester for mendinge the minister's
surples vd.
Item payd to Euthlake Follyott for A petition made to Mr.
Deane and chapiter about Mr. Chaunce's howse iijd.
Item payd for communion wyne at tymes xiijs. xd.
Item payd to Edward Carpenter for mendinge a bell whele
the v th daye of Nouember ijs. viijd.
56. Item gyven to John Sherman the ixth of Nouember by consent
to bringe him to London ijs.
Item payd to Edward Carpenter for a forme and a tripytt xijd.
Item for rynginge on the Quene's daye ijs.
Item payd for mendinge a ballerige for on of the belles iijd.
Item gyven to the poore at three seueral tymes xijs. iiijd.
Item gyven to Twelve poore folkes vppon Good Frydaye
accordinge to Doctor Hare's last will and Testament xijs.
Item payd to Richard Jackson's wyfe for weshing the church
Lynen ijs.
Item gyven to the wydowe Harte the first daye of Maye when
she was sicke xijd.
Item for a bell Rope for one of the belles xiiijd.
Summa iiij <i>li</i> . ixs. vij <i>d</i> .

And so this allowed there Remayneth to the Churche clere from him the said Robert Carrington viij/i. iijs. xjd. payd and discharged. And William Elvyns vj/i. which he deliuered in and iij/i. iiijs. vjd. found in the Cheste and xixd. from the collectors, all whiche maketh in the whole the Some of xvij/i. xs.

Memorandum that Robert Carrington and Thomas Mynshawe are of newe chosen guardyans and churche wardens for the yere to come, vnto whom ys deliuered xijli., videlicet vjli. apece. And the rest beinge vjli. xs., whiche should have byne layd in the Cheste, is delyuered by the consent of the paryshenors vnto the Custody of Walter Walker, vppon his bonde to be payd at the next accompte daye or at on weecke's warnyng to be gyven vnto him by the Churche wardens at any tyme before the said accompt daye yf nede requier the same for any nedefull or necessarie vse for the said churche or paryshe, as aperethe by his bonde for the same.

Memorandum there are chosen Collectors for this yere followinge Mr. Nicholas Archepoll and Mr. Thomas Crompton.

96. Memorandum that the second daye of Aprill 1591 beinge Good Frydaye so called, there was given to the poore of this paryshe of St. Michaell xijs. by the Churche Reves of the same paryshe according to the last will and testament of Mr. Thomas Hare, Doctor of physicke, videlicet,

Thomas Ley	xij <i>d</i> .
Richard Allen	xij <i>d</i> ,
Richard Gylles	xij <i>d</i> .
Wydowe Harte	xij <i>d</i> .
Richard Jackson	xij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Shawe	xij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Elkynes	xijd.
John Sharman	xij <i>d</i> .
Henry Breviter	xijd.
John Chester	xij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Patten	xijd.
John Sysemore	xij <i>d</i> .

96b. [1592.] The accompts of Robert Carrington one of the Churche Wardens made the vjth daye of July 1592.

His Receytes.

Inprimis received the Sixt daye of July 1591 of the paryshe money vj/i.

Item Receaued of Mr. Salwey['s] widowe halfe yere's Rent due vnto the parishe at the feast of St. Michael tharchangell xxvjs. viijd. Item Receaued of Mr. Edward Archepoll halfe ayere's Rent due at the feast of St. Michaell tharchangell for the house where in Doctor Patricke did dwell xiijs. iiijd. Item Receaued more of Mistres Salwey for halfe ayere's rent due at the feaste of thannunciation of our ladie xxvjs. viijd. Item Receaued of Mr. Shipley halfe ayere's rent due for the house which Doctor Patrick did dwell in at the feast of thannunciation xiijs. iiijd. Item Receaued of Chadbourne of Whittenton due to the paryshe for certeyne money remaynynge in his handes by the gyfte of Henry Stanton lately deceased vs. Item Receaued for Charitie money at Easter xiijs. iiijd. Item Receaued of Edward Symons alias Page for hys owne seate and his wyve's xijd.
His Payementes.
Imprimis gyven to Richard Jackeson by Consent the 8th of July xijd. Item payd for a pynte of muskadine for the communion the
xj th of July vijd.
Item for Akey for a coffer in the churche the xviii th of July ijd. ob.
Item for halfe a pynte of muskadine for the communion the 15 of August iijd. ob.
Item for a buckle and the mendinge of a balerug the 17 of August xijd.
Item layd out at the visitation for our Dyner and other charges iijs. iiijd.
Item another daye when we presented viijd.
Item for the makinge and exhibitinge our bill xviijd.
Item for scouring the harn[e]sse belonge to the churche the
vj daye of Nouember to Richard Jackeson ijs.
Item for two Ropes for the Belles xxd.
Item gyven for Ringeing on the Queene's holy daye ijs.
Item payd for a quarte of muskadine for the communion vppon Sainte Stephen's daye xiiijd.

97. Item gyven to Hugh Hollynehead and his wife beinge bothe
sicke the 28 daye of December xijd.
Item gyven to Lewes Apprice beinge sicke the 10th of Marche
vjd.
Item gyven to Lewes Apprice the 20 of Marche vjd.
Item gyven to Twelve poore people vppon Good Frydaye ac-
cordinge to Doctor Hare's last will and testament xijs.
Item for muskadyne for the communion vppon Palme Sondaye
and vppon Easter eve ijs. iiijd.
Item for iij quartes vppon Easter daye iijs. vjd.
Item for a quarte vppon Low Sondaye xiiijd.
Item payd to Richard Jackson's wife for washinge the com-
munion clothes ijs.
Item spent when we bracke vp the boxe at Nicholas Phillips' iijs. iiijd.
Item for mendynge of a balerige before Easter viijd.
Item gyven to Richard Gyles' wyfe beinge sicke viijd.
Item payd to Edward the Carpenter for tymber bordes and
planckes to make iij seates in the quyer vs. xd.
Item for ij men ij dayes and on man one daye to make the
same Seates iijs, ijd.
Item for nayles and hynges xxd. ob.
Item payd to Thomas Onyon for vj turned bosses vjd.
Item given to Richard Jackson the 28 of June his wife and
daughter beinge sicke xijd.
Item for ij pyntes of wyne for ij communions since Lowe Sondaye
xiiijd.
Summa totallis iij <i>li</i> . ij <i>d</i> . ob.
Memorandum that the xxiiijth daye of Marche 1592, beinge
Good Frydaye so called, there was given to poore of this
paryshe of St. Michaell xijs. by the churche Reves of the
same parishe according to the last will and testament of
Mr. Thomas Hare, Doctor of Phisick, videlicet xijs.
Richard Allen xijd. Wydowe Elkyns xijd.
Thomas Ley xijd. Wydow Shawe xijd.
Widowe Harte xijd. Henry Breviter xijd.
John Sysemore xijd. Lewis Apprice xijd.
Richard Jacksons xijd. John Chester xijd.
Widowe Patten xijd. Richard Gyles xijd.

- 97b. And so the foresayd payementes allowed there remaynethe clerely to the churche and parishe from him the said Robert Carrington vijli. xiiijs. jd. ob., which said Somme of 7li. 14s. 1d. ob. was the said Sixt of daye of July 1592 payd and delyuered vpp in Readic money to the whole paryshe at his said accompt, and the jd. ob. gyven backe by consent of the paryshenors.
 - At whiche said tyme Thomas Mynshewe the other churche warden did paye and delyuer vpp in readic money vjli. whiche was the last yeare delyuered into his custodie.
 - The same daye and yeare Walter Walker payd and deliuered fyve pounde tenne shillings which was deliuered into his custodie in the behalfe of the parishe the last yeare.
 - So that there Remaynethe clyer to the churche in the Whole in ready money xix/i. iiijs.
 - Memorandum that Thomas Mynshew and Morrys Davys are of new chosen churche wardens for this yeare to come, vnto whom ys deliuered xij/i., videlicet, vj/i. apeece.
 - Memorandum the same daye there was chosen Collectors for the pore John Fydo and John Ockeley for this yere followinge vnto whom was deliuered by Mr. Nicholas Archepolle and Mr. Crompton the olde collectors of their collection on readie money to distribute vjs.
 - Memorandum there was deliuered by the consent of the paryshenors the ixth daye of July 1592 into the custodic of Mr. Nicholas Archepoll vpon trust reposed in him, to the vse and in the behalf of the churche and paryshe, the some of vijli. vppon his bond to be payd at the next accompt daye. And the Rest which is iiiis. Remaynethe in the cheste.
 - Memorandum that Richard Allen owethe vnto the churche xxs. as apearethe by his bond bearinge date the xxvth daye of June Anno Regni Reginæ Elizabethæ xxviij.
 - Memorandum that Robert Chadbourne of Whittenton dothe owe vnto the parishe and church fyftie shillings which was gyven vnto the parishe by Henry Stanton thelder of Whittenton nere the citie of Worcester deceased, without bill or bonde.

98. [1593.] The accompt of Thomas Mynshewe, one of the churche wardens, made the vjth daye of July 1593.

His Receytes.

Inprimis Receaued at the last accompt, being the Sixt da	ıy
of July 1592 of the parishe money vj.	li.
Receaued of wydowe Salwaye halfe yere's Rent due vnto th	1e
parishe at the feast of St. Mychaell tharchangell xxvjs. viije	d.
Receaued of Mr. Shippsey halfe yere's Rent of the house where	in
he dwellethe, due vnto the parish at the feast of St. My	y-
chaell xiijs. iiij	ď.
Receaued of wydowe Salwey halfe yere's Rent due at the fea-	st
of the Annunciation of our ladie xxvjs. viije	đ.
Receaued of Mr. Shippsey halfe yere's Rent due at the feast	of
the Annunciation of our ladie xxvjs. viij	đ.
Receaued of Chadbourne of Whittenton due to the paryshe th	ne
interest of fyftie shillings whiche was gyven to the parish	ie
by the last will and testament of Henry Stanton lath	ly:
deceassed	s.
Receaued for Charitie money at Easter iijs. vjd. o	Ъ.
Receaued for Seate money of John Richards et vxor xijo	đ.
Receaued of John Symons for his seate vjo	d.
Receaued of Phillip Gardener for his seate vj.	d.
Receaued of Robert Alcocke for him and his wyf viija	đ.
Receaued of Thomas Onyon for his seate via	đ.
Receaued of William Elvynes for his seate via	d.

Summa xli. xijs. ijd. ob.

His payementes.

Imprimis gyven to Richard Jackson the ixth of July 1592	xijd.
Item gyven to Richard Jackson the xth of July	iijs.
Item payd for our dynner at the visitacion	VS.
Item payd for a bell rope the xix th of August	cvijd.
Item geven at Mr. Deane's request to wydowe Stanton	the
xxiij th of August	vs.
Item payd Georg Shewesmithe the vjth of October for meno	dinge
the glasse wyndowes in the churche iijs.	iiijd.
Item payd to John Wood the xvth of Nouember for two	bell
Ropes ijs.	viijd.

Item payd the same daye to Thomas Onyon for mending	ar a hall
wheele	ig a ben ij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to Richard Jackson for Ringeinge the xv	-
of Nouember beinge the Queene's holy daye	ijs.
98b. Item for mending the churche walle the same daye	ij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for waxe candles for the minister	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven to wydowe Shawe the Saturdaye after the (-
holy daye	vj <i>d</i> .
Item payd for wyne the first Mondaye in the Newe yere	xviijd.
Item payd for wyne that was geven Mr. D. Lewes	xijd.
Item payd to Mr. Wright for the makinge a petision	to the
Deane and chapiter	xijd.
Item gyven to John Sherman's wife at her lyinge in	iiijd.
Item gyven to the wydowe Elkyns in her sicknes	vjd.
Item gyven more to wydowe Elkyns the 18 day of Febr	uary
	xij <i>d</i> .
Item gyven the same daye to John Sharman's wyfe	vjd.
Item payd to John Awood the xiiijth daye of Marche for	or a bell
rope	xvjd.
Item geven Sherman's wife the xviiijth of Marche	vjd.
Item the same daye geven Thomas Lea	vjd.
Item geven to Came the same daye	xijd.
Item geven to Came the vjth of Aprill	vjd.
Item payd for wyne the first of Aprell	iiijd. ob.
Item payd for wyne the viij th of Apriell	ijs.
Item payd for wyne the xij th daye of Apriell	vjd.
Item geven to Astmore's Sonne	ijd.
Item gyven the xiijth of Aprell to xij poore people acco	_
Doctor Hare's will	xiijs.
Item for wyne the xiiij th of Aprell	xij <i>d</i> .
Item for wyne the xv th of Aprell	iiij <i>s</i> .
Item geven to Thomas Lea the xvijth of Aprell	vjd.
Item payd to Frauncis Downinge for mendinge the Seat	is xd .
Item payd for wyne the xxij th of Aprell	xij <i>d</i> .
Item for mendinge a Balereeke	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for a newe Surples for the minister	xiijs.
Item payd the xth of Maye to Richard Jackson for was	
	ijs.
Item laid out at the breakenge vpp of the boxe	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .

	Layd out at that tyme wee sett proces agaynst Mr. D chapiter as followethe, videlicet	leane and
	Inprimis to Mr. Davys for his counsell	VS.
	Item for wryting the bill of complaynte	xviijd.
	Item to Mr. Harry's for his hand	ijd.
	Item for expedicion	vjd.
	Item for the puttinge the bill into the signett	xijd.
	Item for the taking vpp of the bill	iiij <i>d</i> .
	Item my Travell and charges	xd.
	Item for servinge the processes at Hereford vpon D. T.	horneton
	The second of th	ijs.
	Item spent at St. Johne's waytinge to serve Mr. Chaune	
	Item payd to Mr. Wright the vijth of June for laying	_
	our answere to Mr. Deane	xviijd.
99.		
	Deane and chapiter	xvjd.
	Item my charges	xd.
	Item layd out at the meetinge of the Deane and ch	
	Bewdley to Mr. Davys for counsell	VS.
	Item to Mr. Smythe for Counsell	7.5.
	Item to Mr. Davye Thomas	ijs.
	Item lefte for proces against Mr. Deane and Mr. Chaun	
	Item spent travelinge to Bewdley vpon my selfe and	
	Gardener	iiijd.
	Item spent at dynner at Bewdley vpon my self, Phill	•
	dener, and Thomas Crompton	xd.
	Item spent at supper and bedd vpon my self and	Phillipp
	Gardener	xiijd.
	Item spent on the morrowe vpon my self, Thomas C	•
	and Phillipp Gardener at dynner	xd.
	Item spent at supper vpon myself, Thomas Cromp	ton and
	Phillipp Gardener	xviijd.
	Item spent over and aboue meales upon vs three	xd.
Т	he charges of Thomas Crompton for on daye and two	nightee
_	as followethe	mgnees
	Vpon the xxth daye of June spent at Ambersley	iiijd.
	Item dynner at Bewdley	vjd.
	Item supper	vjd.
	Item bedd	jd.

Item supper the xxj th daye	vj <i>d</i> .
Item bedd	jd.
Item his expenses over and aboue meales	vj <i>d</i> .
Item payd for wyne the xth daye of June, 1593	vjd.
Item to George Shewesmithe the iiijth of July 1593 for	mend-
inge the churche wyndowes	xvj <i>d</i> .

Summa totallis vli. xvs. vjd. ob.

Memorandum that the xiijth day of Aprell being Good Frydaye there was geven to the poore of this parishe of St. Michaell's xijs. [13s. in the foregoing accounts] by the churche Reeves of the same parishe according to the last will and testament of Mr. Thomas Hare, Doctor of phisicke, videlicet

ı.	Thomas Lea	7.	John Sysemore
2.	Widowe Hart	8.	Anne Cope
3.	John Sherman	9.	Christopher Barke
4.	Henry Breviter	IO.	Thomas Tanner
5.	Widowe Shawe	II.	Widowe Patten
6.	Widowe Elkyns	12.	Edmund Hall

99b. And so the foresaid payements allowed, there remayneth clerely to the churche and parishe from him the said Thomas Mynshewe iiijli. xvjs. viijd., whiche foresaid accompt by the consent of the parishenors was holden the ixth daye of July 1593. And then and there the said Summe of iiijli. xvjs. viijd. was payd and delyuered vp in readie money to the whole parishe at his said accompt.

At which said tyme Morrys Davys the other Churche warden did paye and delyuer vp in reddie money vj/i., which was last yere delyuered into his custodie.

The same daye and yere Mr. Nicholas Archebold payd and delyuered vijli, which was delyuered into his custodie in the behalf of the parishe the last yere; and there was also delyuered iiijs, which should the last yere haue byne put into the chest.

Memorandum at this foresaid accompt there was xxs. gyven vnto William Ford, which xxs. was parte of the vijli. that Mr. Nicholas Archebold payd and delyuered.

Memorandum that John Bird and Thomas Crompton are of

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newe chosen churche wardens for this yere to come, vnto whom is delyuered xij/i, videlicet vj/i. apeece.

Memorandum the xvth daye of July 1593 there was chosen Collectors for the poore Frauncis Downynge and John Locke for this yere followinge. And there was the same tyme delyuered vnto the parishenors by the old collectors iijs. ijd., whereof the same tyme was given to a poore man sick in the parishe vjd.

Memorandum there is delywered the said xvth daye of July 1593, by the consent of the parishenors into the custodie of Mr. John Bland, vpon truste reposed in him to the vse and in the behalfe of the churche and parishe aforesaid, the Summe of vjli. iijs. iiijd., vppon his bond to be repayd at the next accompt daye.

So there Remaynethe clere to the churche at this tyme in Redie money the whole summe of xvijli. iijs. iiijd.

More over Richard Allen owethe vnto the churche xxs. as apereth by his bond bearinge date the xxvjth daye of June Anno Regni Reginæ Elizabethæ, etc., xxviij^o.

Also Robert Chadborne of Whittenton dothe owe vnto the parishe and churche Fyftie shillings which was given vnto the parishe by Henry Stanton of the same village deceased.

100. [1594.] The Accompt of John Bird, one of the Churche wardens of the parishe of St. Michaell in Bedwardyne made vnto the parishenors then the xxijth daye of July 1594 as followethe.

His Receytes.

In primis Receaued of the parishe at my entryng into the said office the Summe of vili.

Item Receaued of the widowe Salwey for halfe yere's rent due to the parishe at the feast of St. Michaell 1593 xxvjs. viijd.

Item receaued of Mr. Shipseay for halfe yere's rent of his house due at the said feast xiijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued of the widowe Salwey halfe yere's rent due at the feast of the Annunciation last past xxvjs. viijd.

Item Receaued of Mr. Shipseay for halfe yere's rent due at the same tyme xiijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued of Mr. Archebold for half a hundred of tyles
viij <i>d</i> .
Item receaued in Charitye money viijs. xd.
Item Receaued one yere's Rent of John Ballarde's house payd
by Mr. Chaunce due vpon Good Frydaye last past, accord-
inge to Doctor Hare's last will and testament xiiijs.
Item receaued the money gyven to our parishe by Henry
Stanton of Whittington deceased, videlicet vs.
Item Receaued of Richard Gardener of Hymbleton gent., of
his owne free gyfte to be distributed emongest of our said
parishe at the feaste of Christmas last xs.
Item Receaued of Mr. Nicholas Archebold for his seate xijd.
Item Receaued of Mr. Fysher for his wyfe's seate xijd.
Summa totallis xij <i>li.</i> vj <i>d</i> .
100b. His payements.
Imprimis given the xvth daye of July 1593 towardes the
buryall of Richard Staple.
Item payd to Richard Jacksons the xviij th daye of July 1593
for Ryngeing at the comynge of my L[ord] Bushopp vjd.
Item payd for the booke of Articles at the bushopp's visitacion
$v_j d$.
Item for the dynner of the sixe men the same tyme iiijs. vjd.
Item for the byll of presentment viijd.
For exhibiting the same viijd.
Item payd to Apparitor for his fees ijd.
Item payd the vth daye of August to Frauncis Dowening for
mendinge the bell wheele iijd.
Item payd the xxiijth daye of September for wyne for the
communion xviiid.
Item gyven the same daye to goodwife Wilkinson vjd.
Item gyven the xxvij th daye of September to Symon Jones ijd.
Item gyven the same daye to the good wife Wilkinson iiijd.
Item gyven the xxx th daye of September to Symon Jones ijs.
Item given the same daye to the good wife Wilkinson vjd.
Item payd the xvj th daye of October vnto Mr. Fysher our
minister according vnto an agreement at the accompt xs.
Item payd for a Pottell of sake that was carried vnto the courte
at Seavernestoke xxd.
at Sourcinescone

Item gyven to Flytt over and abo	ue the money that I	receaued
from the colledge by the Trea	asauror	vs. vjd
Item delyuered to Ryemill the con	astable to give to Flytt	ijs. vj <i>d</i>
Item gyven to Richarde Lambe		
Flytt's child		xij <i>d.</i>
Item payd for Ryngeing vpon the	Queene's holy daye	ijs.
Item payd for a bell Rope		xvjd.
Item payd to Richard Lambe for	Flytt's buriall	vjd
Item payd to Mr. Wryght for dra	aweing a lease concern	ning the
house that John Ballard dothe	e dwell in	VS.
Item payd for wyne for the c	communion the last	daye of
December		vd
Item payd to Georg Crompe the	Carpenter for iiij day	s' worke
in makeing and altering the p	pulpitt	iiijs.
Item for tymber the same tyme		ijs.
101. Item payd for hynges and nayles:	for the pulpitt	xiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for a plancke for the pr	ulpit vnto Richard Jac	ksons
		vijd.
Item payd to Richard Jacksons fo	r helping the Carpent	er xij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for payneting of the pu	ilpitt	ijs. vjd.
Item payd to Richard Lambe f	for a book of prayer	for the
Queene's majestie the xxv th d	aye of Marche	vd.
Item payd the xvijth daye of Ma	arche for wyne for th	ne com-
munion		vj <i>d.</i>
Item the xxiiijth of Marche for wy:	ne	ij <i>s</i> .
Item the xxvth of Marche for wyne	e	vijd.
Item the xxviijth of Marche for wy	me	ijď.
Item the xxxth daye of Marche for	r wyne	vjd.
Item the xxxjth daye of Marche for	or wyne	iijs.
Item gyven the secound daye of		
parishenors vnto John Ocker		vs. iiijd.
Item payd vnto the handes of l		yrell for
makeinge a Release concernin		XS.
Item payd the vjth daye of Apr	rell for mendinge the	glasse
wynedowes		iij <i>s.</i> iij <i>d</i> .
Item payd the vijth of Aprell for w		
Item payd the viij th daye of Apre		
money which was the same		
infected within our parishe vio	delicet i	ijs, viij <i>d.</i>

Item paid to the houses infected the xvth day of Aprell ijs. viijd.
Item paid to Ryemyll the xxjth daye of Aprell for the houses
infected ijs. viijd.
Item for wyne vpon Trinitie Sondaye xijd.
Item paid the pytteman for mending the beare ijd.
Item paid the xxvijth of Aprill for the houses infected ijs. viijd.
Item paid the xxj th of Aprell for wyne iiijd.
Item paid to Ryemyll for mendinge of the leade of the churche
the xxvij th daye of Aprell vs.
Item gyven to Edmund Hall the last of Aprell xxd.
Item gyven to Edmund Hall the iiijth of Maye vjd.
Item payd the xiijth of Maye to the houses infected for two
weeckes vs. iiijd.
Item gyven to Edmund Hall the xxth of Maye iijd.
Item spent the xxijth of Maye at the breakinge vpp of the boxe
vs. ijd.
101b. Item payd the secound of June 1594 to Robert Alcoxe for
attending vpon the houses infected vjs. jd-
Item payd the same daye to the widowe Gaye for parte of her
wages vnpayd for tending Pavye's house xxd.
Item payd the xjth daye of June for a ballerige for on of the
belles vj <i>d</i> .
Item payd for the workeman's wages and his man's for Sixe-
teene dayes at xviijd. the daye for tylinge and whytinge
the churche xxiiijs.
Item for v hundered of tyles and the Carriage vijs, iiijd.
Item for iij barrells of lyme and the carriage iijs. vijd.
Item for on loade of sande xijd.
Item for a bundell of lathe and a hundred of lathe nayles vijd.
Item for halfe a stricke of beare ijd.
Item for one Crest jd.
Item for beesoomes jd.
Item payd to John Symons for two Claspes of Iron xiijd. ob.
Item payd for washeing the lynen and mendinge the surplesse iijs.
Item payd vnto Doctor Lewis, Receauor of the Cathedrall
churche of Worcester, for costs allowed to the Deane and
Chapiter by her Majestie's Counsell in the marches of Wales,
for suite in lawe there commenced by the parishenors xxs.
Item payd to the Paynetors for paynetinge of the churche xs.

- Item payd vnto the Joyner for a new seate and for mending of other seates in the churche ixs.
- Item payd to xij poore people vpon Good Frydaye last past as appeareth by a particular noate thereof xijs.
- Item xijd. more beinge parte of the overplus of the foresaid house rent was distributed the same daye emongest some other of the poore within the said parish. And xijd. being the resydue of the rent Receaued for the said house the sayd two churche wardens Crave for allowance to themselves according to Doctor Hare's last will and testament ijs.
- Item more given the xxvth of Marche last the some of fyve shillings vnto the poore of our parishe of the money given by Henry Stanton of Whittington vs.
- Item given at Christmas last emongest the poore of our parishe, being money given by Mr. Gardner of Hymbleton to that vse

Summa totallis xjli. ixs. viijd. ob.

- 102. And so the foresaid payementes allowed there remayneth clerely to the churche and parishe from him the said John Bird xs. xd. ob. payd and discharged.
 - At whiche time Thomas Crompton the other churche warden did paye and delyuer vpp in readie money vj/i., which was last yere delyuered into his custodie.
 - The same daye and yere Mr. John Bland payd and delyuered vj/i. iijs. iiijd., which was deliuered into his Custodie in the behalfe of the parishe the last yere at the last accompt.
 - Memorandum at this foresaid accompt there was xxs. forgyven and remitted vnto Richard Allen which he did owe and was indebted vnto the churche, which thinge was consented vnto by all the parishenors then present.
 - Memorandum the same tyme John Locke, for himself and Fraunces Doweing the Collectors, made their accompt and delyuered there in readye money vnto the vse of the parishe

ijs. jd.

Money remayning then cleare to the church was xjli. xvjs. iijd. Whereof distributed to the poore at the same tyme vjs. iijd. So there remayneth now cleare to the churche and parishe in readie money the some of xjli. xs.

There are of newe Chosen and ellected Churche wardens for this yere to come Thomas Crompton and Mr. Nicholas Archebold, vnto whom the said some of xjli. xs. ys delyuered.

There are also Chosen collectors for the poore Nicholas Phillipp and Thomas Onyon.

102b. Memorandum that the xxixth daye of Marche, beinge Good Frydaye, there was given and distributed to the poore of this parishe of St. Michaell xijs. by the churche Reeves of the same parishe, according to the last will and testament of Mr. Thomas Hare, Doctor of Phisicke, videlicet,

Thomas Lea	xijd.	William Ford	xij <i>d</i> .
Richard Allen	xij <i>d</i> .	Widowe Gale	xijd.
Widowe Harte	xijd.	John Chester	xijd.
Richard Jackeson	xijd.	Symon Jones	xijd.
Widowe Patten	xijd.	Wydowe Elkynes	xijd.
Robert Pavye	xijd.	John Sysemore	xijd.

The names of suche persons which had the vs. which was gyven this yere by Henry Stanton of Whittington deceased distributed emongest them videlicet,

Richard Giles [No sum given]		Widowe Shawe	vjd.
Ales Ford	iiijd.	Anne Cope	iijd.
Henry James	iiij <i>d</i> .	Ales Lye	iijd.
Arthour Horne	iiijd.	Widowe Came	iij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Moxon	ijd.	Widow Prychitte	iiijd.
Edmund Halle	vjd.	Sybell Jonsons	iiijd.
John Sherman	vjd.	Christopher Barker	iiijd.
Henry Brevitor's wife	vjď.	Wydowe Smythe	iiij <i>d</i> .

The names of those persons which had the xs. gyven by Mr. Gardener of Hymbleton distributed emongest them as followeth,

Widowe Patten	vjd.	Thomas Mynshewe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Harte	vjd.	Richard Allen	vjd.
Widowe Elkynes	vjd.	John Chester	vj <i>d</i> .
John Sysemore	iiijd.	William Ford	vja.
Richard Giles	iiij <i>d</i> .	Symon Jones	iiij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Gale	iijd.	Widowe Fleet	iij <i>d</i> .

Thomas Lea	vjd.	John Chamberlyne	iij <i>d</i> .
Widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d</i> .	Alles Lye	ijd.
Widowe Cooke	iiij d .	Henry James	iiijd.
Brevitor's wife	vjd.	Richard Jaeson	vjd.
John Sherman	iij <i>d</i> .	Widowe Prychet	iijd.
Amie Cope	iijd.	Widowe Came	iij <i>d</i> .
Edmond Halle	iijd.	Sybell Jonson	iij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Tanner's hous	se iiij <i>d</i> .	Thomas Moxson	iijd.
Christopher Barker	iijd.		

103. [1594.] xxij die Julij Anno Domini 1594. A noate of suche goodes as apperteyne to the churche of St. Mychell in Bedwardyne.

Imprimis a great Englishe Bible

- a Pharaphrase of Erasmus
- an Homely booke
- a Communion booke
- a Psalter booke

The Queene's Injunctions

Eight small prayer bookes

Two Surplesses

- a Carpett
- a Table Clothe
- a longe old lynen Towell

Two velvett quislieons

- a Pawle
- a flaggon pynte pott or pewter
- a Silver Cupp with a cover for the communion and a case for it of leather

Two Register bookes.

103b. [1595.] The Accompt of Thomas Crompton one of the Churche wardens of the parishe of St. Michaell in Bedwardyne, made vnto the parishenors there the xiiijth daye of July 1595 as ffolloweth.

His Receytes.

Imprimis Receaued of the parishe at his entring into the said office the Summe of vli. xvs.

Item Receaued of widowe Salwaye for halfe yere's Rent due to the parishe at the feast of St. Michaell last past xxvjs. viijd.

Item Receaued of Mr. Shipsyde for halfe yere's Rent of his house due at the said feast vjs. viijd.

Somma totallis vijli. viijs. iiijd.

His Payements.

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Inprimis spent the daye of our Choyse	xij <i>d</i> .
Item geven to the goodwife Shawe	vj <i>d</i> .
Item geven to the goodwife Elkynes	iiijd.
Item geven to the widowe Cooke	iij <i>d</i> .
Item geven to the widowe Harte	iijd.
Item geven to Organmaker being syck	xviij <i>d.</i>
Item geven to widowe Ford	vjd.
Item for mending the Sancebell	vjd.
Item for mending one of the bell wheeles	iiijd.
Item payd for two Bell Ropes	ijs. viijd.
Item for mending the balerick of the first bell	ijd.
Item payd for Ryngeing vpon the Queene's hollydaye	ijs.
Item for Cayes to the Chestes	vjd.
Item geven to the widowe Shawe being sick	vjd.
Item geven to Symon Jones' wife beinge sick	vjd.
Item geven to Brevitor's wife being sicke	xviijd.
Item geven towardes her buryall	xijd.
Item payd to Mr. Fisher our minister	xjs.
Item payd for a ballrick for the sancebell	vjd.
Item payd for lights for the churche	iijd.
Item geven to the widowe Patten	iiijd.
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Summa xxvjs. jd.

And so the foresaid payements allowed, there remayneth Cleere to the church and parishe from him the said Thomas Crompton vj/i. ijs. iijd., payd and discharged.

104. 14 July 1595. The true playne and perfect Accomte of me Nicholas Archebold, one of the Churche wardens of the parishe of St. Michaell's in Bedwardyne nere the Citie of Worcester in the countie and dioces of Worcester, of all Recepts, payements and other charges Receaued payd and disbursed to and for and in behalfe of the said parishe by me the said Nicholas Archebold, made and geven vpp in

wryting to the said parishe in the parishe churche there vpon Mondaye the xiiijth daye of July Anno Domini 1595 as followethe.

The Chardge.

Receipts.

Inprimis the said churchewarden and Accountant dothe charge him self with the some of fyve poundes fyfteene shillings d[elivere]d to him by the said parishe in July 1594 at his entrance into this office, vli. of which this Accountant dothe hereby protest that he presently lent to parishenors there as nede required, videlicet, by xxs. a man, tyll this his accompt, and hath as yet Receaued thereof in payement againe only iijli. thereof. Yet is readie to make payement of the full somme delivered him furthe of his own purse according to the trust reposed in him. And therefore dothe charge himselfe with the said some of

vli. xvs.

Item the Accountant dothe also charge him self with the some of Twentye sixe shillings eight pence Receaued of Wydowe Salwaye of Clyfton for one halfe yere's Rent, due at Thannuntiacion of our ladie last past, for the parishe lande there lying xxvjs. viijd.

Item he likewise chardgeth him self with the some of Sixe shillings eight pence Receased of Mr. George Shipsey for one half yere's Rent, due at the Annuntiacion last past for the howse he nowe dwelleth in scituat within the parishe of St. Peters in Worcester vjs. viijd.

Item the said Accountant dothe charge him self with fowerteene shillinges Receaued by the handes of John Ocker from Mr. Chaunce due on Passion Sondaye last past for one whole yere's Rent of the howse geven to the parishe in the last will and testament of Doctor Hare, where John Ballard now dwellith, in the parishe of St. Helines in Worcester

xiiijs.

104b. Item he also chardgeth him self with fyve shillings Receaued of John Brayne of Whittington in Regard of the last yere's benefitt Accruing to this parishe in respect of a legacye gyven by the last will and testament of Henry Stanton deceased

vs.

Item with nyne shillinges two pence being the moytic or one halfe of all the money receaued at abouts and since Easter last of the Communicantes for bread and wyne, the other of which this Accountant hath alreadye payd and delyuered to the minister of this churche accordinge to the Auncient custome of the parishe

ixs. ijd.

Item he chargeth himself with Seaven shillings nyne pence Receaued of Fowlke Broughton for the old Bible of the churche, and also with Twelve pence which this Accountant before the sale thereof Receaued of one Mr. Morrys a Relator to the counsell in the Marches of Wales in earnest of the said Bible which xijd. was forfeyted by him for that he fetcht not the booke as he promised, in toto, viijs. ixd.

Item this Accountant chargeth him selfe with Three shillings fower pence Receaued of Mr. Browghton for the old communion booke of the churche

iijs, iiijd.

Sum ixli. viijs. vijd.

105. [1595.] Receaued also for seates and places in seates in the Churche.

Mr. John Bland and his wiffe	ijs.
Mistris Spackman	xijd.
Mistris Dedycott	xijd.
Mr. Richard Hill and his wife	ijs.
Guthlak Folliott and his wife	ijs.
Thomas Onyon and his wife	ijs.
Mrs. Ussherwood	xijd.
Richard Lambe's wife	xijd.
Morrys Davy's wife	xijd.
John Symon's wife	xij <i>d</i> .
William Elvyn's wife	xijd.
Robert Carrington's wife	xij <i>d</i> .
Stephen Rymyll's wife	xij <i>d</i> .
John Locke and his wife	xviij <i>d</i> .
John Ocker and his wife	xxd.

Walter Drewe and his wife	xviijd.
John Gybbes and his wife	xiiijd.
John Steevens and his wife	xiiij <i>d.</i>
Henry Allen and his wife	xijd.
John Awbery and his wife	xijd.
Timothee Ford and his wife	xviijd.
John Merediethes wyfe	viij <i>d</i> .
James Jonson's and his wife	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Richard Jackson's wyfe	viijd.
William Eger's wife	vjd.
Phillip Gardner's wife	vjd.
Richard Davys' wife	vjd.
Thomas Parker the glover and his wife and his mother	ijs.
Mistris Richard Ford	vjd.

Summa xxxiijs. viijd. Summa totallis xjli. iijs. iijd.

105b. Forth of which said totall summe of xjli. iijs. iijd. Receaued as aforesaid this Accountant hathe payd and disbursed and ys to be allowed theis sommes followeinge, videlicet,

The discharge. Payementes.

 ay elifences.	
Inprimis this Accountant hathe payd and is to be allowed for two shillings payd to Richard Jackson's wyfe for washeinge the Surplesses and churche clothes	
for this yere last past	ijs.
Item payd for newe byndeing and Amending of the old	
Communion booke (longe before yt was sold) and the	
Clerke's psalter	xxd.
Item payd for a new fayer Englishe Bible of the last	
Translation authorised in the churche	xvjs.
Item payd for a newe Large Communion booke for the	
churche	vijs. iiijd.
The distribucion of Dr. Hare's gyfte on Good Frydaye.	
Item gyven on Good Fryday last out of the Rent	
receaued of Ballarde's howse, geven by the last will	

and testament of Doctor Hare, Twelve shillings to the Twelve poore people of the said parishe fol-

lowing, videlicet, To Thomas Lea xijd., to Richard Allen xijd., to Richard Jackson xijd., John Chester xijd., John Sysemore xijd., John Sherman xijd., widowe Harte xijd., Wydowe Elkynes xijd., wydowe Patten xijd., wydowe Shawe xijd., wydowe Cooke xijd., Wydowe Ford xijd., in toto xijs. And xijd. more this Accountant craveth as allowed to him and the other churche warden accordinge to the last will and testament of the said Doctor Hare

xiijs.

Item geven on Whitson Eve last, videlicet 7° Junij, 1595, to the poore followeinge iijs. iiijd., videlicet to Thomas Lea iijd., to Richard Allen iiijd., wydowe Harte iiijd., widow Patten iijd., wydowe Ford iijd., wydowe Gale ijd., Edmond Hall ijd., John Chester ijd., John Sherman ijd., wydowe Cooke ijd., Symon Jones ijd., wydowe Shawe iijd., wydowe Elkynes iijd., John Sysemore iijd., Richard Gyles ijd., in toto iijs. iiijd., xijd. of whereof I accompt to be the overplus or remenant of the Rent receaued for Doctor Hare's house

iijs. iiijd.

this whole yere last past for the churche, videlicet, one quarte of muscadell geven to Mr. Thornehill when he preached at our said churche 12 Januarij ultimi xiiijd., for a pynte and halfe at the communion abouts all Saintes xd. ob., vth Januarij at the communion one quarte xiiijd., on Passion Sondaye vijd., 13° Aprilis iij pyntes xxjd., 17° Aprilis one pynte vijd., 19° Aprilis halfe a pynte iijob., 20° Aprilis a gallonde iiijs. viijd., 27° Aprilis 3 pyntes xxjd., viij° Januarii on pynte vijd., in toto, 13s. 5d.

xiijs, vd.

Item payd to Thomas Onyon for 17 yeards and some odd of Waynescott abouts the wemene's fyve scates on the Northe syde of the Churche, and abouts one of the mene's seates in the midle of the Churche, at xviijd. the yeard, xxvjs.; for newe benches in Mistris Dedicotte's seate ijs., for vij payer of Waynescote and hynges ijs. iiijd., for nayles vsed abouts the said

seates and in Amending some other seates in the churche xvjd., in toto xxxijs. viijd.

Item payd for a Deske for the Communion table xd.

Summa totallis of the allowance and Payementes iiijli. xs. iijd.

Sum totall of all Recepts being my full chardg xjli. iijs. iijd.

So that there remayneth clerely in my handes all thinges discharged to be answered and payd to the parishe at this my Accompt vjli. xiijs.

Payd and discharged.

So the whole Summe nowe comyng clere to the churche, althings allowed, ys xij/i. xvs. iijd. Memorandum the said daye, being the xiiijth daye of July, 1595, Nicholas Phillipps one of the Collectors for the poore made his accompt as followeth, videlicet his Receytes xiiijs. jd. His Distribucions. xjs. vd. So there remayned in his handes for the poore which he then delyuered vnto the parishe ijs. viijd. Then there remayned to the churche on the whole xij/i. xvijs. xjd.

106b. 14° die Julij 1595. At the same tyme there are of newe elected and chosen church wardens for the yere to come Mr. Nicholas Archebold and Guthlake Folliott. And there are allso chosen Collectors for the poore Richard Chelmarshe and Steephen Rymyll.

Memorandum that there was geven the said tyme of the Accompt by the consent of all the parishioners then present, out of the said somme of xij/i. xvijs. xjd., vnto John Newesham who was pressed into Ireland [these two words are interlined] in the beginnynge of this presente yere 1595 a Soldyer for this parishe, and ys returned from thence with lycence from his Captayne by reason of sicknes. So that the parisheners in regard of his said sicknes haue bestowed upon him

And allso there was geven vnto some of the poore of the same parishe then present emongest them ijs. xjd.

So all thinges finished at the foresaid Accompt there remayned clere then vnto the Churche and parishe xijli. xs.

107. [1596.] The true and perfect Accounte of me Nicholas Archebold one of the Churche wardens of Sainte Michaell's in Bedwardyne nere the Cytic of Worcester in the countye and Dioces of Worcester, Yelded and gyven vpp to the parishenors there vppon Thursdaye the Eyght daye of Julye Anno Domini 1596, for one whole yere's Receiptes, paymentes, and Chardges, by me for and in the behalfe of the said parishe Receaued payd and disbursed as followethe, videlicet,

My chardge in Receiptes.

Imprimis, Receaued of the parishe 14 Julij 1595 the one moytie of the parishe Stocke then being, videlicet vjli. vs., to be ymploied and vsed in and aboutes the busynesses of the churche poore and parishenors as neede required and to be accomptable for the same or the remaines thereof and all other Receiptes in this behalfe at the yere's end videlicet at this my Accomt

Item Receaued 7° Septembris 1595 of John Brayne of Whittenton a legacye of fyftie shillings bequeathed to the parishe in the last will and Testament of Henry Staunton deceased

Item Receaued of widowe Sallwey at two seuerall Rent dayes, videlicet, at the feastes of Sainte Michaell and the Annuntiacion last past, 53s. 4d. for one whole yere's Rent due to the parishe at the said feastes for the parishe land lyeinge at Clyfton now in her possession liijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued of Mr. George Shipsey for one whole yere's Rent due to the parishe at the severall feastes aforesaid of his nowe dwelling howse within the parishe of Sainte Peter in the Cytic of Worcester 13s. 4d. xiijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued from John Chaunce by the handes of John Ballard 14s. due to the parishe vpon Passion Sondaye last past for one whole yere's rent of the howse wherein the said John Ballard late dwelt lyeing and being within the parishe of Saint Hellynes in Worcester xiijs.

Item Receased of Thomas Baker of Hopton for two trees sold to him at Clifton which are to be vsed in building vpon the parishe ground and land there 24s. xxiiijs.

Item Receaued at and abouts Easter last past of the Communicants then receaving the Communion in our said parishe for bread and wyne the whole yere before 19s. The one moytic whereof I Reconed for with the minister and payd him the same according to the Auncient custome of the said parishe. And the other moytic being 9s. 6d. I am to answere to the parishe ixs. vjd.

Item Receaued of the seuerall persones followeing the particuler Summes at thend of every one of their names sett downe for their placeing and removeing into fytt and convenient seates and places in the sayd churche as followeth, videlicet,

107b. Seat money Receauid of

Robert Carrington	xijd.
William Greeneslade and his wife	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Christopher Courte and his wife	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Steeven Fair and his wife	xiiij <i>d</i> .
William Buller and his wife	xijd.
Allen Brayne and his wife	xij <i>d</i> .
John Whitbey and his wife	xijd.
Nicholas Jerrar and his wife	xijd.
Widowe Cooke	vjd.
Henry Allen's wife	vj <i>d</i> .
Goodwife Dunne	vjd.
Goodwife Fynton	vjd.
Richard Rymell	viij <i>d</i> .
Goodwife Hollowaye	vjd.

Summa totalis omnium et singulorum Receptorum predicti con^m [?] consideratorum ad Summam 15s. 10d. xvli. xd.

Furthe of whiche said totall sume of xvli. xd. Receaued as aforesaid this Accountant hath payd and disbursed and ys to be allowed theis Somes followeing, videlicet,

The discharge and payementes.

- In primis layd out at the parishe meeting at Walter Walker's ymediately after our account the last account daye videlicet in Julij 1595 2s.

 ijs.
- Item given to Mr. Fysher our minister 15° Octobris 1595 by consent of the whole parishe to Augment his small comodity for serving the Cure amongst vs 10s. xs.
- Item payd to Richard Jackson's wife for washeing the surplis and churche Clothes this whole yere past 2s. ijs.
- Item payd for mendyng of the Ballricks of the three bells 28° Octobris ultimi 4d. iiijd.
- Item payd to a Carpenter for goeing to Clyfton to marke out two trees for the parishe 6d., for falleing the same trees 24 Decembris 12d., in toto 18d. xviiid.
- Item geven to Thomas Lea in tyme of his sicknes in October last 12d., more 6° Novembris 12d. And geven to buye necessaries for his funerall 17° Novembris 2s. 6d., in toto 4s. 6d.
- 108. Item payd to the Clarke for Rynginge on the 17th of November last beinge the daye solemnized for the Coronation of her Majestie 2s.
 - Item payd for waxe Candells vsed by the minister at prayer tymes at and about Christmas ijd.
 - Item payd for two brusshes for the Cleane keeping of the Church viijd.
 - Item payd for two yeres' Whitson farthings due to Mr. Deane and the chapiter of Worcester 5d. each yere, in toto xd.
 - Item payd for Scowring the glasse wyndowes against Christmas last ijd.
 - Item gyven vpon Good Frydaye last past 12s. to twelve poore people of the said parishe of the Rent Receaued for the howse where in John Ballard lately dwelt within the parishe of Saint Hellen's in Worcester according to the bequest of Doctor Hare in his last will and Testament, videlicet, To widowe Lea xijd., Richard Allen xijd., Edmond Hall xijd., John Chester xijd., Symon Jones xijd., Widowe Harte xijd., Widowe Patten xijd., Anne Coxe xijd., Widowe Shawe xijd., Widowe Elkyns xijd., John Whitbey xijd., and Richard Jones xijd., in toto 12s.; And the

residue of the rent nowe payd for the said house being 2s., vjd. thereof was also geven the daye aforesaid to widowe Ford, And vjd. to Edward Davies in regard of the long sicknes of his daughter. And the remanet being 12d. ys allowed to the two churche wardens for their paynes abouts the premisses accordinge to the true meaning of the said Doctor Hare in his said will and testament expressed, in toto 14s.

Item spent at our Reckoning with the minister abouts our receipts at Easter for bread and wyne 12d. xijd.

Item payd to the office for fees due vpon the exhibiting of our bill towchinge the enquyrye and presentment of recusants 6d., And for the churchwardens, and other parisheners' dynners, being presentors the same tyme at Walter Walker's, 3s.

iijs. vjd.

Item payd for wryting of the Sentences of holy Scripture abouts the walls of the church and Chauncell and the paynteing there abouts and for Coulloring the gallery 8s., also geven to the payneter's man for his paynes 4d., in toto viijs. iiijd.

Item payd to George Crumpe the Carpenter for him self and two men 3 dayes and a half wourke abouts the altering of the stayers of the gallery, bourding the same, and amending some seates on the sowth syde of the churche, 9s.; and to Richard Jackson for his healp about that wourk 12d., in toto xs.

Item payd to Thomas Onyon for tymber vsed abouts the fore-said wourk 2s. 4d., And for one hundred of bourdes thereabouts 7d., And payd also for nayles vsed abouts the premises 2s. 6d., in toto 11s. 10d. xjs. xd.

108b. Item payd to Thomas Onyon for newe waynscotting of one woman's longe seate on the northe syde of the churche, and one man's seate in the mydle Rowe of the bodye of the said churche, bothe conteyning 4 yeardes of waynscotte, and a waynscotte dore to Dr. Pattricke's seate contening one yeard, at 18d. the yard, 7s. 6d., and for altering and amending William Elvyne's seate dore with waynscott 8d., in toto 8s. 2d. viijs. ijd.

Item payd for two payer of hinges for the said seat dores and for one other odd hinge to supplie a broken one vpon an other seat dore, 10d. xd.

Item payd to Fowlk Browghton for tymber to make sleepers for the boording of the Eight longe seates for women on the northe syde of the church 2s. 6d., and for saweing thereof, 6d.

Item payd to Thomas Onyon for two hundred and halfe and 14 foote of bowrdes vsed abouts the said 8 seates xvijs. Item payd for Nayles vsed there abouts, and abouts the amend-

ing of some other seates in the church 3s. 2d. iijs. ijd.

Item payd to Richard Corbett the Carpenter for v dayes' worck and halfe abouts the premisses 5s. 6d., and to Robert, Thomas Onyon's man, for halfe a daye's worcke in altering and mending the particion of William Elvyne's scate, Dr. Pattricke's seate and some other thinges 6d., in toto 6s. vjs.

Item payd to George Shewesmith the glasyer for 16 foote quarter of newe glasse in 3 seuerall panes at 5d. the foote 6s. 9d., for 8 foote of old glasse newe sett in lead and sother at 3d. the foote 2s., for takeing downe one pane bonding and scouring and setting of yt vpp 4d., 20 peeces of our owne glasse sett in at ob. a peece 10d., lyme and sand there abouts 2d., in toto

Item payd to Henry Allen for mending the pavement of the churche and chauncell 8d., for two pecks of lyme vsed there abouts 2d., in toto 10d. xd.

Item payd for wyne fetcht at Walter Walker's for the churche this whole year, 9s. 2d., videlicet one quarte of Clarett wyne geven to Mr. Thornhill the daye he preached at our churche 8d., Bastard wyne for the Communion as followethe at Christmas one pynte, 4° Aprilis one quarte, 8° Aprilis one pynte, 10° Aprilis one quarte, Easter Daye 3 quartes, 18° Aprilis one quarte and halfe a pynte, 2° Maij half a pynte, 30 of Maye one pynte, at Whitsontyd one pynt, in toto, 8 quartes and a pynte at 12d. the quarte, 8s. 6d., in toto 9s. 2d., payd

Summa totalis of payements aforesaid disbursed this whole year 61i. 10s. 10d. vjli. xs. xd.

The totall summe of Receiptes come to xvli. xd., out of which must be allowed to this Accountant vjli. xs. xd. disbursed, So there remayneth to the parishe of this accompte 8li. 10s. viijli. xs.

Memorandum that Guthlak Folliott the other Church warden did deliver vpp to the parishenors of the foresaid parishe the foresaid daye the other moytic of the churche stock, videlicet vjl. vs.

So all things accompted for and discharged there remayneth Clyer to the churche and parishe aforesaid at thend and foote of these accomptes xiiij/i. xvs.

109. [1597.] The true and perfect Accomte of vs Nicholas Archebold and Guthlak Folliott, Churchwardens of the parishe of Sainte Michaell's in Bedwardyne nere the Cytie of Worcester, in the countye and dioces of Worcester, yelded and gyven vpp to the parishenors there vpon Thursdaye the xiiijth daye of July, Anno Domini 1597, for one whole yere's Receiptes, payementes and charges by vs for and in the behalfe of the said parishe Receaued, payd and disbursed as followeth, videlicet

Receiptes.

Imprimis receaued in July 1596 by the handes of Mr. John Bland fowerteene poundes fyfteen shillinges (being the parishe Stocke) vpon our seuerall bondes obligatory for our Account to be made this present month of July 1597

xiiijli. xvs.

Item Receaued at two seuerall payementes for one whole yere's Rent of the parishe land lyeing at Clyfton in the parishe of Seaverne Stoke nowe in the tenure of Thomas Baker due at the feastes of Saint Michaell and Thannuntiacion last past fyftie three shillings ffower pence lijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued for one whole yere's Rent due at the seuerall feastes aforesaid for the parishe house in the parishe of St. Peter's in Worcester nowe in the tenure of Mistris Katherine Willis widowe Thirteene shillings fower pence

xiijs. iiijd.

Item Receaued one whole yere's Rent due vpon Passion Sondaye last past for the parishe house within the parishe of St. Hellen's in Worcester nowe or late in the tenure of John Ballard fowerteene shillings

Item Receaued by the handes of Thomas Baker a legacye of tenne shillings given to the parishe by the last will and testament of widowe Sallweye of Clyfton aforesaid Deceased xs.

Item receaued at and abouts Easter last and synce of the Communicants for bread and wyne sixteene shillings eight pence, the one moytic of which deliuered to our Minister, according to the Auncient Custome, thother moytic being 8s. 4d. remayneth nowe to be answered to the parishe

viijs. iiijd.

Item Receased for scate money as followeth of Richard Waunerton and his wife xijd., of Frauncis Smythe and his wife xijd., of John Strickland's wife viijd., of William Mound vjd., of Steeven Rymell viijd., in toto, 3s. 10d.

iijs. xd.

Item Receaued of Mr. Edward Archepole for a grave stone taken furthe of the Chauncell and he paveing the place agayne 3s. 4d., which was more than Walter Drewe esteemed yt worthe iijs. iiijd.

Summa totallis of Receptes xxli. xviijd.

109b. Payementes disbursed.

Inprimis layd out at the parishe meeting at Walter Walker's ymediately after our accounte the last account Daye videlicet the 8th of July 1596 ijs.

Item geven to Mr. Fysher our minister the 30th of August 1596, by consent of the parishe to Augement the smalenes of his lyveing amongest vs for serving the said Cure xijs.

Item payd to Richard Jackson's wife for washeing the surplisses and churche clothes this whole yere past ijs.

Item payd to Mr. Warmestreye's office for fees due vppon the exhibiting of the bill of presentment in the last L[ord] Bushopp's visitation xd., And for the presentors' dynners at Walter Walker's 8° Octobris last 3s. 4d. And payd for a prayer for the church in July 1596, then newly sett furthe vpon the then goeing out of the greate Fleett 2d. And payd since to Richard Lamb for a breve from the office aforesaid, towching abstinence from certeyne meeles and meates, resort to the church, contrybucion to the poore, etc. 6d. And for Whitson farthinges due at Whitsontyd last 5d., in toto 5s. 3d. vs. iijd.

Item payd to John Ocker in July 1596 for 4 hundred and quarter of Bowrdes vsed in and aboutes the bowrding vnder foote, bencheing and a mending of the whole Rewe of seates in the Quyre and church on the South syde thereof, the two Rewes on the north syde of the Quyre, the two seates for the minister and Clark, makeing vp vnder the stayers, and benching the gallery, at 6s. the hundred, 25s. 6d. Sleepers vsed there abouts 5s., and carriage of the premisses from the Keye 12d., in toto, 31s. 6d. Item more for boordes to him 2s. 4d., in toto 33s. 10d.

xxxiijs. xd.

Item payd to Richard Corbett the Carpenter for xv dayes' worcke abouts the said worcke in the church xvs.; geven to Richard Jackson for his paynes takeing there aboutes and at other tymes, 6d.; payd to Thomas Onyon for apeece of tymber and for mending goodwife Phillipps' seate and Phillipp Gardner's seate, over and above 5d. geven by the said Phillipp towards yt, 17d.; And for nayles vsed abouts the said premisses had and fetcht of Warner the naylor, 6s. 6d.; payd to Richard Turner the Smyth for tenne Crampes of Iron and nayles vsed abouts the foresaid seates on the south side of the Quyre, 19d., for one boult two staples and nayles 12d., one payer of Gymoes and nayles for a seate dore 6d., and to Richard Corbett for hinges for one of the lower seates in the churche 2d.; to Henry Allen for heweing the wall in the quyre seates aforesaid, lyme and plastering it, 12d., in toto 28s. 6d.

xxviijs. vjd.

Item geven to John Sherman and his wife at seuerall tymes in the monthes of October and November 1596, in tyme of their sicknes, by consent of the parishe 5s. vs.

of Marche 1597, xijd., to Twelve poore people of this parishe out of the rent receaued for the howse wherein John Ballard lately dwelt within the parishe of St. Hellen's in Worcester according to the bequest of Doctor Hare in his last will and testament, videlicet to widowe Lea xijd., widowe Harte xijd., widowe Patten xijd., wydowe Ford xijd., widowe Shawe xijd., widowe Elkynes xijd., Richard

Allen xijd., Richard Jackson xijd., Richard Giles xijd., John Sherman xijd., John Chester xijd., Symon Jones xijd., in the whole 12s.; And the residue of the rent nowe Receuid for the said house being 2s. vjd thereof was also gyven the same daye to Thomas Moxson, And vjd. to John Chamberlayne; And the remanet being 12d. was and ys to be allowed to the two churchwardens for their paynes abouts the premisses, according to the true meaning of the said Doctor Hare in his last will and testament, in toto 14s.

Item payd for a newe Bellrope 18d., for a newe ballricke 18d., for mending the bell wheele 2d., for mending the case for the Communion Cupp jd., To Richard Jackson for Ringeing vppon the 17th daye of November last being a holly daye solemnized for the Coronation of his Majestic 2s., for waxe Candells vsed by the minister in the church in the wynter Evenings 2d., To George Shewesmithe the glasier for mendynd the glasse wyndowes in the church xd., in toto, 6s. 3d. vjs. iijd.

And for a money bagg for the parishe money

iijd.

Item payd for wyne fetcht at Walter Walker's for the churche this whole yere past 11s. 8d., videlicet for muskadell one pynte 3° Octobris 7d., more by Richard Jackson one pynte 7d., the first of January 3 pyntes 21d., 20° Martii bastard 3 pyntes 18d., 24 Martii one pynte 6d., 25 Martii beinge Good Frydaye one pynt 6d., 26 Martii halfe a pynt 3d., 27 Martii being Easter daye 4 quarts 4s., 3° Aprilis one quarte 12d., 24 Aprilis halfe a pynte 3d., more sythence Easter abouts Whitsontyd one pynte and halfe 9d., in toto, 11s. 8d.

Summa totallis of payment this yere vjli. ixd.

The totall Summe of this whole yere's receiptes come to xxli. xiiijd. An the totall summe of payementes disbursed come to yjli. ixd.

So that all things accounted for and discharged there remayneth Clyer to the church and parishe aforesaid by this accompt xiiijli. vd.

Whiche Somme of xiiijli. was deliuered to the handes of Mr.

John Bland in truste for the vse of the parishe when neede should requier to be readie.

110b. [1598.] The accounte of Morrys Davyes one of the churche Wardens of Saint Michaell's in Bedwardyne made and delyuered vpp to the parishenors in the churche there the Third daye of August 1598 as followeth.

Receiptes.

Imprimis Receaued of Mr. Chaunce for one whole yere's rent of the house where in John Ballard late dwelt due vpon Passion Sondaye last past xiiijs.

Item Receauid of Mr. Walsingham for one whole yere's rent due at the Feastes of Saint Michaell and the Annuntiacion last past for the howse where in Mistris Willis late dwelt xiijs.iiijd.

Item Receauid of Thomas Baker the whole yere's Rent due for the parishe lande at Clyfton at the feastes of St. Michaell and thannuntiacion last past liijs. iiijd.

Item Receauid from Mr. Backhouse 4d. to be distributed emongest the poore of this parishe iiijs.

Item Receauid at Easter for bread and wyne of the Communicants 8s. 4d. And also 2s. 6d. of the minister's porcion therein xs. xd.

Item Receauid of Tymothie Ford for hys seate viiid.
of Frauncis Porter for his seate vid.

of John Gates for his seates xijd.
of Thomas Onyon for a seate vjd.

of Mistris Morgan for a seate vjd.

Summa totall of the Receipts iiijli. xviijs. viijd.

111. His Payementes.

Inprimis layd out at the visitacion for the churche wardens' and sydemen's dynners iijs. iiijd.

Item layd out for a pound of suger xxd.

Item payd for wyne which was bestowed vpon the bushopp

iijs. viij*d*.

xis.

Item payd for our bill at the visitacion viijd.

Item payd for a prayer booke which was brought to our church by the Apparitor xd.

Item payd the xxvth daye of Aprill for wyne

Item payd the iiijth day of June for wyne xiiija	,
Item geven to the Clark for his paynes taken the xijth daye of	
August	
Item layd out for a bell Rope the xviijth daye of August xvijd.	
and a penny for mendinge the Claspe of the byble xviijd	,
Item layd out the iiijth daye of September for a booke to	
Richard Lambe vja	
Item geven to widowe Patten vja	
Item geven to Symon Jones vja	
Item geven to Mr. Fysher our minister the xxiiijth daye o	
October in Augmentacion of his lyving for servinge th	
Cure emongest vs	
Item payd to the Ringers the xvijth daye of November ijs.	
and also for mending the bell ropes iijd., and a penny	
for lycker for the bells ijs. iija	
Item payd for waxe Candles ija	
Item geven to Symon Jones iija	Ź.
Item geven to Thomas Noxson iiija	
Item layd out for a ballrick xxa	₹.
Item geven to widowe Halle	₹.
Item more to widowe Hall	ł.
Item payd to the Clark for the washeing of the surplices and	d
church lynen ijs	5.
Item geven to Thomas Noxson iiija	ł.
Item geven to widowe Cope xija	₹.
Item geven to widowe Halle vja	ł.
Item geven to widowe Ford vja	ł.
Item geven to widowe Noxson vja	l.
Item geven to Thomas Noxson iija	
Item geven to widowe Allen ija	
Item geven to widowe Halle ija	
Item geven to widowe Noxson iiija	
Item geven to widowe Halle vja	
Item geven to widowe Cope vja	
Item geven to the Clarke xija	
111b. Item geven to widowe Patten vja	
Item geven to goodwife Chester iija	
Item geven to wydowe Meredieth vja	
Item geven to wydowe Langhorne vja	!.

wardens.

Item geven to John Sysemore	vj <i>d</i>
Item geven to widowe Shawe	vj <i>d</i> .
Item geven to John Bristowe	ij <i>d</i> .
Item layd out the vjth daye of Maye for a bell rope	xvjd.
Item layd out for a statute booke	ijs. viijd.
Item layd out for wyne which was bestowed vpon M	Iaster Colles
at our goeing to him abouts the parishe busines	s xvjd.
Item geven to a poore woman which Henry Conway	e had taken
in as tenant vnto him, in consideracion that sh	e should de-
parte out of our parishe	iiijs.
Item geven to widowe Ford	vjd.
Item geven to goodwife Tanner	iij <i>d</i> .
Item geven to the Ringers	viijd.
Item payd for widowe Halle's rent	vs.
Item geven to Symon Jones	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for mending one ballricke	iij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for mending the glasse wyndowes	iiijs.
Item geven to John Chamberlayne	iijs.
Geven vpon Good Frydaye 1598 of the rent of the ho	use wherein
John Ballard late dwelt according to the last wil	1 and testa-
ment of Dr. Hare.	
To widowe Hall xijd., widowe Tanner xijd., John She	erman xijd.,
John Chester xijd., Symon Jones xijd., widowe E	lkines xijd.,
widowe Harte xijd., widowe Shawe xijd., John Syse	emore xijd.,
widowe Patten xijd., Sybell Naylor xijd., widowe (Cooke xijd.,

Mr. Backhouse money distributed to the poore as followethe, videlicet,

widowe Forde vjd., Ales Ford vjd., and xijd. to the church-

widowe Noxson iiijd., widowe Halle iiijd., widowe Elkines 2d., widowe Shawe ijd., Symon Jones vjd., widowe Allen 4d., John Baylies ijd., John Sysemore ijd., widowe Patten 4d., widowe Harte iiijd., Ales Ford ijd., widowe Meredieth 3d., widowe Cope ijd., widowe Ford ijd., John Chester 3d., Sybell Naylor ijd., in toto

Summa totallis iiijli. xiiijs. iiijd.

So all things accompted for and discharged there remaynethe to the church of this Accomta iiijs. iiijd.

112. Memorandum that vppon the geveing vpp of this foresaid

Accomt the third daye of Aug	gust 1598 there was newly
elected and Chosen Churchward	lens for the yere following
Morrys Davis and Nicholas Arch	rebold.

Morrys Davis and Nicholas Archebold.

Geven then to goodwife Jackson xijd.
to John Sysemore xijd.

to widowe Patten xijd.

And allowed to Guthlak Folliott for keeping the booke v yeres together iiijs. ixd.

Memorandum that at the geveing vp of this accomte the parishe Stocke, being xiiijli., was brought in by Mr. John Ballard, and delyuered to him agayne to be safely kept for the vse and good of the parishe as occasion should happen.

of Sainte Michaell's in Bedwardyne, made and deliuered vpp to the parishenors in the churche there the xiiijth daye of August 1599, as followeth.

His Receiptes.

In primis Receauid of Thomas Baker the whole yere's Rent due for the parishe lande at Clyfton at the Feastes of St. Michaell and Thannuntiacion last liijs. iiijd.

Item Receauid of Mr. Walseingham for one whole yere's rent due at the foresaid Feastes for the howse wherein Mistris Willis late dwelt xiijs. iiijd.

Item Receauid of Richard Honnyett for one whole yere's rent of the house wherein John Ballard late dwelt due to the parishe vpon Passion Sondaye last past xiiijs.

Receauid in Charitie money at Easter viijs. vjd.

Item Receauid of the Collectors iiijs. xjd.

Item Receauid of the Clarke for Ringeing iiijd.

Item Receauid of Thomas Mynshewe for a seate vjd.

Item Receauid of the monthely contribucion for the poore

iijli. xjs. iiijd.

Summa totall of Receiptes viijli. vjs. iijd.

113. His payementes.

In primis payd to the widowe Elkynes for the keeping of a poore child iij/i. xvijd.

Item geven to widowe Shawe iiijd.

Item to Richard Jackson vjd.

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Item to widowe Ford	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Richard Jackson	vjd.
Item to Richard Jackson	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Richard Jackson	xijd.
Item to widowe Patten	xij <i>d</i> .
Item geven to widowe Shawe	iiijd.
Item more to widowe Shawe	vjd.
Item geven to widowe Jackson	xijd.
Item to widowe Patten	xijd.
Item geven to John Sysemore	xijd.
Item geven to the widowe Elkines	ijd.
Item to Symon Jones	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d.</i>
Item to widowe Ford	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to widowe Patten	vjd.
Item to widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to widowe Patten	vjd.
Item to widowe Ford	iiijd.
Item to Symon Jones	iiij <i>d.</i>
Item to widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to John Sysemore	iiij <i>d.</i>
Item to Goodwife Tanner	iiijd.
Item to widowe Shawe	ij <i>d</i> .
Item geven to widowe Elkines	ij <i>d</i> .
Item to Symon Jones	iiij <i>d</i> ,
Item to widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item more to widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item more to widowe Shawe	ij <i>d</i> .
Item to Symon Jones	iij <i>d</i> .
Item to Goodwife Chester	vj <i>d</i> .
Item to widowe Patten	xij <i>d</i> ,
Item geven to widowe Elkines	vjd.
Item to widowe Shawe	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item to Symon Jones	vjd.
Item payd for mending the seates	ij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for a pynte and a halfe of wyne the	-
of August	xd. ob.
Item payd for mending the bell ropes	xjd.
Item payd for a bell rope	ijs.
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Item payd for mending the bells	iiij <i>d</i> ,
Item payd for washeing the church lynen	ijs.
13b. Item payd to the Ringers the xvijth daye of November	er ijs.
Item payd for Candles	ijd.
Item payd for Candles Candles [sic]	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for mending the surples	iiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for a quarte of wyne	xiiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for the makeing and Waynscote of a newe sea	ite in the
Chauncell where Mr. Butler was placed	xs. vjd.
Item payd for tyles and worck abouts the tyleing	xd.
Item geven to Edward Davies in his sicknes	ijs.
Item payd for a pynte of wyne	vijd.
Item payd for mending of a wooden wyndowe	xd.
Item layd out at the visitacion	xxiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for wyne on Palme Sondaye	ijs. iiijd.
Item payd for a quarte of wyne vpon Shrove Thursdaye	e xiiij <i>d</i> .
Item payd for fyve quartes of wyne vpon Easter Daye	vs. xd.
Item for a quarte of wyne	xiiijd.
Item more payd for wyne	ijs.
Item payd for a Register booke	xjs.
Item for the wryting thereof	XVS.
Item to the minister to peruse and confers [sic] yt	VS.
Item geven vpon the daye of our election besides 4s.	4d. then
remayning	iij <i>s.</i> v <i>d</i> .
Geven vpon Good Frydaye videlicet 6° Aprilis 1599 of	the rent
of the house wherein John Ballard late dwelt ac	
James	0

to the last will and testament of Dr. Harc.

To widowe Patten xijd., widowe Harte xijd., widowe Allen xijd., John Sysemore xijd., widowe Elkines xijd., widowe Shawe xijd., Symon Jones xijd., John Sherman xijd., widowe Ford xijd., John Chester xijd., widowe Hall xijd., widowe Birde xijd., goodwife Tanner vjd., widowe Cooke vjd. and xijd. to the church wardens.

Sum totall of payements viijli. vs. xd. ob.

So this Accounte being fynished there remayneth iiijd. ob. whiche was then presently geven to the Clarke of the church for his extraordinary attendance.

114. [1599.] The Accounte of Nicholas Archebold one of the church Wardens of Saint Michaell's aforesaid geven vpp as aforesaid the said xiiijth daye of August 1599.

His Receiptes.

Inprimis Receauid by the handes of Mr. Bland the parishe stocke to be ymployed to the vse of the said parishe xiiij/i. Item Receauid for one whole yere's rent of the Tenements lying in Froglane lately purchased for the parishe xxs.

Summa totallis xyli.

Payementes Disbursed.

- Inprimis payd for the fee symple of the said Tenement nowe devided into two severall dwellings with the garden therevnto xli.
- Item payd to Mr. Wyeat for Advice in frameing the Conveyance for the purchase of the foresaid Tenement and for the first drawght xs.
- Item payd for the engrosseing of the bookes in parchement, videlicet a Deede of Feoffement and Indenture of vses annexed and one bond obligation for further assurance thereof vs.
- Item layd out also for the saffe Carriadge vpp and downe to London bothe of the Conveyance and of the money to be payd there And in attending the sealeing and delinery of the same and in payement of the money, etc. vs.

Summa xili.

- So there remayneth Clyer to the church and parishe aforesaid vpon this Accomte iiijli. payd and discharged.
- Memorandum there are newely elected for churchwardens the xiiijth daye of August Anno 1599 and in the 41th yere of the raigne of our soueraigne ladie queene Elizabeth for the yere to come Mr. Nicholas Archebold and Morry's Dayyes.
- 114b. A monethlie Ceasement layed and ymposed vpon the parishenors of St. Michaell's in Bedwardyne nere the Cytie of Worcester from the xijth of August 1599. Agreed vpon by the Sixe men appointed for the said parishe in the Churche there for one yere followeing. The first of which monethes begane 12° Augusti. The secound moneth 9° Sept. 7° Octobris 4° Novem. 2° Decemb. 30° Decemb. 27° Janu. 24° Febru.

23 Martii 20 Apr. 18° Maij 15° Junii 13° Julij. And the xth of August 1600 yt was then likwise agreed for three monethes then followeing, videlicet, till the feaste of All Saints to paye monethly, videlicet 10 Augusti, 7° Sept., 6 Octob. 1600, halfe as muche as the first Ceasement, videlicet, for euery 8d. before then afterwards to paye 4d., for euery 6d. 3d., and for euery 4d. 2d., and so rateably, the first of whiche monethly taxe is first in eche lyue followeing sett downe and the later lastly after euery man's name as folloethe, videlicet

Receauid	the first 13 monethes	the late	er 3 m	nonethes.
vjs.	Thomas Spackman gent			
	111 111 111 111	6d.	3 <i>d</i> .	
viijs, viiijd,	Nicholas Archebold gent			
	111 111 111 111 1	8 <i>d</i> .111	4d.	Rec. 12d.
viijs. viijd.	Walter Walker III III III I	8 <i>d</i> .111	<i>4d.</i>	Rec. 12d.
	Robert Morgan	6d.	3d.	
	Guthlak Folliott	6d.	3d.	
vjs.	Morrys Davies III III III	6 <i>d</i> .	3d.	
vjs. vjd.	William Ellvyns			
	111111111111	6d.111	3d.	Rec. 9d.
xxd.	John Shellvocke III II	4d.	2d.	
iiijs. iiijd.	Tymothie Ford 111 111 111 111 1	4d.	2d.	
iiijs.	Thomas Onyon III III III	4d.	2d.	
	John Oker	4d.	2d.	
	John Honyett	4d.		
ijs. ij d .	John Steevens III III III III I	2d.	Id.	
ijs. ijd.	Richard Wannerton			
	111 111 111 1	2d.	1d.	
xviij d .	Walter Drewe III III III	2d.	Id.	
ijs.	Christofer Courte III III III III	2d.	Id.	
ijs. ijd.	John Abrey III III III I	2d.	ıd.	
ijs. ij d .	William Greeneslade			
	111 111 111 1	2d.	Id.	
	William Walle	2d.		
	Richard Lambe	2d.		
vjd.	Frauncis Porter 111	2d.		
	Frauncis Smythe	2d.	1 d.	

Receauid	the first 13 monethes	th	e later 3 n	nonethes.
	Robert Kettle	20	d. 1d.	
	John Chappell	20	d, 1 <i>d</i> .	
	Richard Woodward	20	d. 1d.	
vj <i>d</i> .	Henry Rowbridg III	20	d. 1d.	
xijd.	William Whoopper III III	20	d. 1d.	
Thomas	Spillsbury comeing after	this C	Ceasement	into the
pari	she payd of him selfe			xvd.
Receauio	l of the first ceasement			iij <i>li</i> .
Receauic	of the later ceasement			ijs. ixd.
Receauic	l of Thomas Spillsbury			xvd.
	iij <i>li</i> . iiijs.			

Davies Churchewardens of the parishe of Sainte Michaell in Bedwardyne nere the Cytie of Worcester in the countie and dioces of Worcester of all and singular their Receiptes payements and disbursements for two whole yeres past, videlicet, from the fowerteenth daye of August Anno Domini 1599, tyll the daye of yelding and delyvering vpp of this their Accompt, beinge Wensdaye the second of September Anno Domini 1601.

Receiptes.

In primis receauid at the last Accompt daye, videlicet, 14° Augusti 1599, and our election the parishe stocke then beinge

Item Receauid of Thomas Baker at three seuerall payementes for one whole yere's rent and a halfe of the parishe lande beinge at Clyfton in the parishe of Seaverne stoke due at the seuerall feastes of St. Michaell in Anno Domini 1599, Thannuntiacion and St. Michaell Anno 1600, xxvjs. viijd. at euery of the said three feastes, in toto

Item Receauid of Mr. Walsingham for two whole yere's due at the seuerall feastes of St. Michaell Anno 1599, Thannuntiacion and St. Michaell 1600, and Thannuntiacion 1601, for the parishe howse lyeing in the parishe of St. Peter in the Cytie of Worcester nowe or late in the tenure of Mr. Doctor Eager

xxvjs. viijd.

Item Receauid of Robert H	ussye and John Longe for two
	parishes howses nowe in their
	ng in Froglane in the parishe of
	quarterly at the seuerall quarters
	Michaell and Christmas Anno
	. John Baptist St. Michaell and
	annuntiacion and Midsomer 1601,
	the said yeres of eche of the said
	ater of the said twoc yeres of eche
of them xijs. in toto	xliiijs.
•	vyatt for two yeres' rent due vpon
	re for the parishe howse nowe in
The state of the s	lichard Houyatt and late in the
	ard, lyeing in the parishe of St.
	che yere xiiijs. in toto xxviijs.
	s the two scuerall last feasts of
Easter of the Communyc	ants for breat and wyne, videlicet,
at the first of the said two	o last Easters xvjs. viijd., And at
the later $xvjs$. iiij d ., in toto	, xxxiijs., the one moytic of which
was geven and deliuered t	o Mr. Hill our minister according
to the vsuall manner. Ar	nd the other moytic being xvjs. vjd.
ys now to be answeared v	pon this Accompt xvjs. vjd.
115b. Item Receauid for seat mo	oney as followethe for theis two
yeres together videlicet of	
Thomas Spellsbury and his	William Walle and his wife 8d.
wiffe 14d.	Peter Brooke 4d.
of him for a Remove 6d.	Mr. Henry Mowle and his wife
John Steevens and his wife	25.
12 <i>d</i> .	Henry Rowbridg and his wife
Richard Wannerton and his	12d.
wife 12d.	Thomas Ford and his wife 10d.
William Daniell and his	Robert Kettle 6d.
wife 14d.	John Chappell 6d.
John Price and his wife 14d.	John Abrey 4d.
Robert Carrington 8d.	Rowland Griffith 4d.
Walter Drewe 8d.	John Daunce and his wife 8d.
Mr. Rogers and his wife 14d.	Timothie Fowrd 6d.
William Brooke and his	Goodwicff Courte 4d.

12d.

wife

Besydes Thomas Mynshewe oweth for his wiff's place 4a.

Receauid in toto 17s. 6d. xvijs. vjd.

Item Receauid of the parties followeing of the monethly Contribucion for the poore as appeareth by a particuler booke or note thereof herevnto annexed, videlicet of Mr. Thomas Spackman 6s., of Nicholas Archebold one of the nowe Accountants 9s. 8d., of Walter Walker 9s. 8d., of Morrys Davies the other Accountant aforesaid 6s., of William Ellvyns 7s. 3d., of John Shellvocke 2od., of Tymothie Fowrd 4s. 4d., of Thomas Onyon 4s., of John Steevens 2s. 2d., of Richard Wannerton 2s. 2d., of Walter Drewe 18d., of Christofer Courte 2s., of John Abrey 2s. 2d., of William Greeneslade 2s. 2d., of Frauncis Porter 6d., of Henry Rowbridg 6d., of William Whoopper 12d., of Thomas Spellsbury 15d., in toto 3li. 4s.

Item Receauid from the right Reverend father in God the L[ord] Bushopp of Wigorn 24° Decembris 1599, to be given and distributed amongest the poore of the said parishe 13s. 4d., And 23° Decembris 1600 20s. to be given and distributed as aforesaid, in toto xxxiijs. iiijd.

Summa totalis of the whole receiptes xixli. xs.

116. Payementes and Disbursementes.

Inprimis layd out at the parishe meeting the last account daye, videlicet 14° August, 1599 ijs.

Item payed to Gilbert Ancrett alias Dudcott for Carpenters' wourke, 12 dayes, videlicet, 28°, 29, 30, 31 Augusti 1°, 3°, 4°, 5°, 6°, 7°, 8°, et 10 Septembris, 1599, 12s. for his man 10 of the first foresaid dayes 8s. 4d. abouts the Sylling, repayreing and amending of the parishe howse lyeing in Froglane, any for nayles vsed thereabouts 11d. in toto xxis. iijd.

Item payd for tymber had from Morrys Davies aforesaid abouts the said wourke 30s., for one other peece bought of Henry Strickland 12d., and for a pole to make a Rafter 9d., for Carriage of Tymber from the Sawe pitt to the said howses 12d., in toto

Item payd for a quarter of Chosen harde woode for studds etc. 15d., 14 bundells of wynding Rodds 3s. 6d., lathes one

bundell 6d., Carriage of the premisses 6d., Lyme one barrell 12d., cariage of the lyme and Sande 3d., in toto vijs.

Item payd for 6 hundred and halfe of Tyles 8s. 1d., Sande 5 strickes 5d., carriage of the premisses 10d., Claye 3 loades 3s., 4 Crestes and 4 gutter tyles 9d., stone 2 loads 2s. 4d., Carriag thereof 12d., in toto 16s. 5d. ob. [sic] predictorum

xvjs. iiijd.

Item payd 22° Septembris 1599 predicte, to Richard Evans pargetter and his man for 2 dayes' wourke and halfe abouts tyleing and quyneing the Sills of the foresaid howses iijs. ixd.

Item payd to George Shewesmyth the Glasier for 36 quarries abouts the wyndowes of the church and chauncell 3s., newe glasse two foote and halfe in the high wyndowe on the South syde of the church 12d. ob., one pane of the same wyndowe being 3 foote newe sett in leadd 9d., 8 quarryes and amending the rest of that wyndowe 12d., nayles vsed there abouts 3d., And for a mending the broken places abouts the wyndowes ultimo Augusti 1601 4d., in toto

vjs. iiijd.

Item payd to Thomas Coxe and David [sic] the one 5 dayes the other 6 dayes abouts the altering of the scates in the middle Rowe of the bodye of the churche in Aprill 1601, and thereby gayneing one whole newe seate xjs.

116b. Item payd for tymber from Thomas Onyon vsed there abouts 16d., and Rayles and bourdes from Morrys Davies aforesaid 3s., in toto iiijs. iiijd.

Item payd to Thomas Onyon for waynscotting two of the lower seates in the midle Rewe of the Churche and one of the long seates on the northe syde thereof and for newe dores and waynscott thereto xs.

Item payd to him for amending the deske in the chauncell 6d., amending the beare 10d., and for footeing a tressell 4d., in toto xxd.

Item payd to goodman Turner the smythe for nayles vsed abouts the foresaid wourke and other needefull places abouts the churche in amending of seates and seate dores etc. 2s. 1d., for 4 payres of Gymoes and nayles thereto 2s., And for altering and amending the locke for the Evidence

- Chest and makeing two newe keyes thereto 14d., and for fyve gymoes and nayles sett vpon certen dores broken downe ultimo Augusti 1601, 19d., in toto vjs. viijd.
- Item payd for three newe bell ropes 4s. 4d., two newe Ball Rycks 2s., and amending the third and for amending the bells 10d., in toto viis, xd.
- Item payd to Mr. Walter Walker for wyne fetcht there for the churche at seuerall tymes the first of the foresaid two yeres 10s. 10d., and the later of the said two yeres 11s. 2d., in toto
- Item payd to Robert Creswell the Clarke for Rynginge vpon the 17th of November 1599 2s., And likewise 17° Novembris 1600 2s., being the dayes yerelie solempnized for the daye of her Majestie's Coronacion, in toto
- Item payd to him for wassheing of the Surplesses and churche lynen the two yeres aforesaid eche yere 2s. in toto iiijs.
- Item payd by Morrys Davies aforesaid to Guthlak Folliott for entering into the church booke certen Accountes of his for two yeres before our last accomte, videlicet ijs.
- Item payd to Mr. Abraham Pilkington for perfecting and fynisheing of the Register booke 10s., over and aboue 20s. formerly receauld by him the yere before of Morrys Davies aforesaid
- 117. Item payd for 4 yeres' Whitson Farthings due to Mr. Deane and the Chapiter of the Cathedrall churche of Worcester, videlicet for the yeres 1598, 1599, 1600, and 1601, for eche yere 5d., in toto xxd.
 - Item paid in August 1600 for two preceptes to calle in the Feoffees and Tenaunte of the parishe lande at Clyfton before the L[ord] Bushopp of Worcester and other her Majestic's Commissioners appoynted in this Countie and diocese for the enquirey of the ymployment of landes given in pios vsus 2s., for executing the said preceptes 12d., for dynner of the Minister Churchwardens and some of the parishe which attended the foresaid parishe busynes before the said Commissioners 5d., for sending 3 seuerall breves and speciall messingers one to Mr. Folliott's and two to Mr. Coventrye's, And for the saffe conveyeing of one other to London and procureing there the Commissioners' hands

to the order by them sett downe and for the exhibiting thereof into the office above at London, the first 4d., the two letters 12d., and the 4th 6d., a bottelle of Sacke carried to Mr. Coventrey's in September aforesaid at his penneing of the order for the said parishe lande 18d., and to his Clarke for engrossing the said order in partchement 4s., in toto

Item payd to Edward Alyes, one of Mr. Coventrye's Clarkes for a Coppie of the order aforesaid forthe of petty bagg office or Chauncery 4s., for Search there abouts in that office 16d., to him selfe for his paynes taken therein and for deliuering into the said office and procuring some of the Commissioners' hands above there to 3s. 4d., in toto

viijs. viijd.

Item payd to Mr. Georg Langford at Easter tearme last his fee as an Attorney in the behalfe of the parishe to prosecut the brech of the order aforesaid before my L[ord] keeper in the Chauncery iijs. iiijd.

Item given to Mr. Richard Hill our Minister towards the Augmentation of the smalenes of his lyveing and benefitt amongest vs in this parishe for theis two yeres last past aforesaid

Item given to wydowe Elkins 14° Augusti 1599 being the last accomte daye 4d., 17° Novembris 1600 4d., 29° Augusti 1601 6d., in toto xiiijd.

Item geven to her 16° Septembris 1599 by the parishe consent in her daughter's sicknes 3d., and so weekly 3d., for 40 weekes togeather 10s., and towards his daughter's cureyng 2s., in toto

117b. Item payd to the said widowe Elkyns for dyett and keeping of a poore Child leafte vpon the chardge of the parishe at 11d. the weecke from the 14th of August 1599 till this secound of September 1601, every Saturday, being two yeres and three weeckes, videlicet 107 weeckes, in toto vli. vijs.

Item given to John Bristowe 10 Septembris 1599 by consent of the parishenors to bringe him to the bathe for Recourrey of his legg

Item given to him at seucrall tymes in his sicknes in the begyning of Marche 1600 xijd.

Item given to Samon Janes whime Octabula tree of the
Item given to Symon Jones ultimo Octobris 1599 3d., 17
Novembris 2d., 6º Maii 1600, at her lyeing in Childbed 6d
ultimo Octobris 1600 4d., 17° Nouembris 3d., 2° Febru. 4d
24 Febru. 4d., 10° Julij 1601 6d., 14° August 6d., 24 Augus
6d., 29 August 3d., in toto iijs. xja
Item payd to Symon Jones aforesaid for John Bristowe hi
lodgeing 4d. weekly every Satterdaye from the 22th o
Marche 1599 being Easter Eve till this secound of Septem
ber 1601, being 76 weekes, in toto xxvs. iiijd
Item given to wydowe Patten 14° August 1599 12d., vltimo
Octobris 3d., 17° Novem. 3d., 24° Decemb. 6d., 2° Januari
4d., 5° Febr. being Shrovetuesdaye 3d., vltimo Octobris
1600 3d., 17° Novem. 4d., ultimo Januarij 4d., 24 Febr.
being Shrove Tuesdaye 3d., 29° Augusti 1601 6d., more to
her 3d., in toto iiijs. vjd
Item given to her by Christofer Lawrence 8º Martii 1600 in
her sicknes 6d., and so weekly 6d. for 6 weekes together,
in toto iijs.
Item given to John Chester 14º Augusti 1599, being the last
Accomte daye iiijd.
Item given to widowe Jackson 16° Septembris 1599 in her
sicknes 4d., and to her daughter 19 Septembris towardes
her buryall 12d., in toto xvjd.
Item given to Philipp Gardner at seuerall tymes in his sicknes
in November, December, and January 1600, 6s., and to
his wydowe ultimo Januarii towardes his buryall 2s., more
to her 29° Augusti 1601 6d., in toto viijs. vjd.
Item given to widowe Shawe vltimo Octobris 1599 4d., 17°
Novembris 4d., vltimo Octobris 1600 4d., 17° Novembris
4d., 2° Febru. 4d., and at seuerall tymes in her sicknes
in the begynning of Lent 1600 12d., 10° Julij 1601 3d. ijs. xjd.
118. Item given to widowe Fourd vlt. Octobris 1599 3d., 17° Novem-
bris 4d., vltimo Octobris 1600 3d., 17° Novemb. 4d., 8°
Martii 4d., 29° Augusti 1601 2d., in toto xxd.
Item given to wydowe Bird vltimo Octobris 1599 3d., 17°
Novemb. 3d., vltimo Octobris 1600 3d., 17° Novemb. 3d
29° Augusti 1601, 2d., in toto xiiijd.
Item given to John Baylyes 21° Martii (Stylo Angliæ) 1599,
beinge Good Frydaye vid.

Item given to Wydowe Harte vltimo Octobris 1599 3d., 17°
Novembris 3d., 2 Januarij 3d., 5° Februarij 3d., in toto xijd.
Item given to widowe Allen vltimo Octobris 1599 4d., 17°
Novembris 4d., vltimo Octobris 1600 4d., 17° Novembris 4d.,
2° Februarii 4d., And in her sicknes 9° Martij 4d., 15°
Martij 6d., 29 Augusti 1601 3d., in toto ijs. xd.
Item given to wydowe Halle vltimo Octobris 1599 3d., 17°
Novembris 4d., vltimo Octobris 1600 3d., 17° Novembris
3d., 29° Augusti 1601 3d., in toto xvjd.
Item given to wydowe Tanner vltimo Octobris 1599 3d., 17°
Novembris 3d., 21 Martij beinge Good Frydaye 1599 6d.,
vltimo Octobris 1600 3d., 17° Novembris 3d., 29° Augusti
1601 3 <i>d</i> ., in toto xxj <i>d</i> .
Item given to widowe Cooke vltimo Octobris 1599 3d., 17°
Novembris 3d., vltimo Octobris 1600 3d., 17° Novembris 3d.,
2º Januarii 1599 3d., 29 Augusti 1601 3d., in toto xviijd.
Item given to Raphe Fynton in February 1600 in the tyme
of his sicknes at seuerall tymes xijd.
Item given on the Frydaye commonly called Good Frydaye
21º Martij Stylo Anglie 1599, the Rent Receauid for the
parishe house being in the parishe of Sainte Hellen's in
Worcester now in the tenure of Richard Honnyett and
some tyme in the tenure of John Ballard According to
the bequeast of Doctor Hare doner thereof in his last
will and Testament to the poore people following of the
said parishe, videlicet to
widowe Allen 12d. wydowe Fowrd 12d.
widowe Harte 12d. wydowe Bird 12d.
widowe Patten 12d. John Chester 12d.
widowe Halle 12d. John Sysemore 12d.

widowe Shawe

12d. Symon Jones

12d.

widowe Elkyns

12d. John Sherman

12d.

The residue of the rent being 2s., 6d. thereof to widowe Cooke and 6d. to widowe Jackson. And thother 12d. allowed to the Churchwardens according to the said will of Dr. Hare,

in toto xiiijs. 118b. Item given on Good Frydaye xo Aprilis 1601, the Rent of the howse aforesaid according to Dr. Hare's last will and Testament as aforesaid, videlicet

widowe Al	len 12d.	widowe Cooke	12d.
widowe Pa	tten 12d.	widowe Bird	12 <i>d</i> .
widowe Sh	awe 12d.	widowe Vssherwood	12d.
widowe Ell	kins 12d.	widowe Tanner	12 <i>d</i> .
widowe Ha	alle 12d.	Symon Jones	12d.
widowe Fo	wrd 12d.	Raphe Fynton	12d.

And the 2s. remayneing of the said Rent to John Sherman 6d., John Bristowe 6d., And the two Churchwardens 12d., in toto xiiijs.

Item distributed amongest the poore of the said parishe 24° Decembris 1599, the xiijs. iiijd. mencioned amongest the Receipts of this Accomte given to that end by the right Reuerend father the l[ord] bushopp of Worcester as followeth, videlicet to

widowe Allen	12d.	wydowe Elkyns	12d.
widowe Harte	I 2d.	Symon Jones	12d.
widowe Pullen	12d.	John Sherman	12d.
widowe Fowrde	12d.	widowe Cooke	8 <i>d</i> .
widowe Halle	12d.	wydowe Tanner	8d.
widowe Bird	12d.	John Sysemore	6d.
widowe Vssherwood	12d.	John Baylies	6d.
widowe Shawe	12d.		
	xiijs.	iiijd.	

Item distributed amongest the poore as aforesaid 23° Decembris 1600, the xxs. mencioned amongest the Receiptes aforesaid gyve by the said Reuerend father to them aforesaid, videlicet

wydowe Patten	18d.	widowe Cooke	12 <i>d</i> .
widowe Fowrd	ı8d.	widowe Vssherwood	12 <i>d</i> .
widowe Bird	ISd.	Perfida Grafton	1 2 d.
widowe Shawe	18 <i>d</i> .	John Sherman	12 <i>d</i> .
widowe Elkyns	ı8d.	John Bristowe	12d.
Phillipp Gardener	ı8d.	widowe Allen	12d.
Symon Jones	ı8₫.	widowe Halle	12d.
widowe Tanner	12 <i>d</i> .	wydowe Wyan	6d.
Goodwife Pearson	12d.		

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Summa totalis xxiijli, xviijs. viijd.

119. Summa totalis of Receiptes

xixli. xs.

Summa totalis of the Payments

xxiij*li.* xviijs, viijd.

Geven athe same tyme to widowe Patten by consent of the parishenors then present and deliuered to Christofer Lawrence for her xvid.

So that vpon this Accompte the parishe resteth indebted to Mr. Nicholas Archebold one of the Churchewardens aforesaid as appeareth iiijli. xs.

Memorandum that there is oweing to the parishe by Thomas Baker for one halfe yere's rent due for the parishe lande in Clyfton at Thannuntiacion last, videlicet this present yeare 1601, which according to his old Lease ys xxvjs. viijd., But according to order of the L[ord] Bushopp and other her Majesties Commissioners in pios vsus sett downe in September 1600. The same ys and ought to be 3li. 6s. 8d. iijli. vjs. viijd.

Memorandum this Accomte was publiquely and distinctly read over, pervsed, considered of dyligently, the Second of September 1601 in the parishe church of St. Michaell aforesaid after publique notyce in the Churche the Sondaye before, geven according to the Awncyent Custome. And accordingly approved and allowed of by vs then present videlicet,

Richard Hill minister then
Henry Mowle
Walter Walker
William Brooke
Richard Chelmarsh
John Ocker

Christofer Lawrence
Robert Carrington
Thomas Mynshewe
John Shelvocke
Griffith Rowland
William Buller

John Abrey

Memorandum there are newely elected Churchwardens for the yere to come Morrys Davyes and Guthlak Follyott.

119b. [1601.] A monethly Ceasement layd and ymposed vpon the parishenors of Saint Michaell in Bedwardyne nere the Cytie of Worcester from the xvth daye of November 1601, and agreed vpon by the sixe men appoynted for the said parishe in the churche there for three months from the Feast of All Saintes last past and towardes the Relieffe of the poore peple of the said parishe.

by the monethe			in toto
Thomas Spackman gent	ΙΙ	vjđ.	xij <i>d</i> .
Nicholas Archebold gent	III	vj <i>d</i> .	xviijd.
Walter Walker	III	vj <i>d</i> .	xviij <i>d</i> .
Robert Morgan		vjd.	
Guthlak Folliott	III	vjd.	xviij <i>d</i> .
Morris Davies	III	vjd.	xviijd.
William Elvyns	III	vjď.	xviijd.
John Shelvocke	III	iiijd.	xijd.
Thomas Goffe	III	iiij <i>d</i> .	xijd.
Tymothie Foorde	III	iiij <i>d</i> .	xijd.
Thomas Onyon	III	iiij <i>d</i> .	xijd.
John Honnyett	I =	iiij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
Thomas Spilsbury	III	iiij <i>d</i> .	xij <i>d</i> .
John Ocker	III	iij₫.	ixd.
Robert Carington	III	iij <i>d</i> .	ixd.
William Daniell	III	iij <i>d</i> .	ixd.
Walter Drewe	III	iijd.	ixd.
Richard Wannerton	III	ijd.	vjd.
Christofer Courte	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
John Abrey	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
William Walle	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
Richard Lambe		ij <i>d</i> .	
Frauncis Smythe	111	ijd.	vjd.
Robert Kettle	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
John Chappell	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
Richard Woodward		ij <i>d</i> .	
Henry Rowbetche	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
William Brooke	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjd.
John Price	III	ijd.	vjd.
Thomas Foord	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vjď.
John Bird	I	ij <i>d</i> .	ij <i>d</i> .
William Smyth	III	ijd.	vjd.
Steeven Farre	III	ij <i>d</i> .	vj <i>d</i> .
Clergmen.			
Mr. Henry Mowle		iiij <i>d</i> .	
Mr. Richard Foord		iijd.	
Mr. William Fysher		ijđ.	0.1

Some totallis Recauid 23s. 8d.

120. [1601.] The Accompt of Morris Davies and Guthlak Folliott Churchewardens of the parishe of Sainte Michaell in Bedwardyne nere to the Cytic of Worcester in the countie and dioces of Worcester of all and singular their Receipts payementes distribucions ffrom the second daye of September 1601, Tyll the daye of yelding and deliuering vpp this their said Accompt being the Twentyth daye of January Anno Domini 1603, juxta stylum Angliæ.

Receiptes.

Inprimis Receauid of Thomas Baker at two seuerall payements for two whole yeres' rent of the parishe land lyeing at Clyfton in the parishe of Seavernestoke due at the feastes of the Annuntiacion 1601, and Saint Michaell 1601, The Annuntiacion 1602, and St. Michaell 1602, 26s. 8d. being due at euery of the said seuerall feastes, in toto 5li. 6s. 8d.

Receauid more of the said Thomas Baker at two seuerall payementes for one whole yere's rent of the foresaid parishe land due at the Feastes of the Annuntiacion 1603, and Saint Michaell 1603, 26s. 8d. being due at euery of the said seuerall feastes, in toto

Receauid of Mr. Walsingham at fyve seuerall payementes for two yeres' rent and a halfe for the parishe house lyeing and being in the parishe of Saint Peter in the Cytie of Worcester late in the tenure of Doctor Eager 5s. 8d., due at the seuerall feastes of Saint Michaell tharcangell 1601, the feast of the Annuntiacion 1602, Saint Michaell tharcangell 1602, the Annuntiacion 1603, and Saint Michael tharcangell 1603, in toto

Receauid of Richard Honnyett at two seuerall payementes for two yeres' rent due vpon Passion Sondaye Anno Domini 1602 and 1603, for the parishe house nowe in the tenure of the said Richard Honnyett lycing in the parishe of St. Hellyne in the Cytic of Worcester, in toto xxviijs.

Receauid of Robert Howssey quarterly 3s. rent for the parishe house wherein he nowe dwellethe, being in Frogg Lane in the parishe of St. Peter in the Cytie of Worcester, due quarterly at the seuerall quarters followeing, videlicet Michaelmas 1601, Christmas 1601, Annuntiacion Midsomer

Michaellmas and Christmas 1602, Annuntiacion Midsomer Michaellmas and Christmas 1603, in toto xxxs.

120b. Receauid of John Longe quarterly 3s. for that parte of the parishe house wherein he nowe dwellethe being in Frogg Lane in the parishe of St. Peter's aforesaid, due quarterly at the seuerall quarters followeing, videlicet Michaellmas and Christmas 1601, Annuntiacion Midsomer Michaellmas and Christmas 1602, Annuntiacion 1603, in toto

Et debet ptoibus [sic] vltimi quarteris ixs.

Receauid at the Feast of Easter 1602, of the Communicants for bread and wyne 16s. 8d. The moytie thereof was geven to Mr. Hill our minister according to the vsuall maner. And the other moytie being 8s. 6d. ys nowe to be answered vpon this accompt viijs. vjd.

Receauid for Seat money as followeth videlicet of

Robert Kettle	xij <i>d</i> .	William Walle	vjd.
Thomas Goffe	xviijd.	Steeven Farr	vjd.
John Jenkins	vjd.	John Somner	iiijd.
Raphe Bagnall	xijd.	Henry Dugger	xij <i>d</i> .
John Chappell	xijd.		

in toto vijs. viijd.

Receauid of the monethly Contrybucions for the poore as apeareth by the particular note hervnto annexed xxiijs. viijd. Receauid of Robert Creswell the parishe Clerke at seuerall tymes for Ryngeing according to an order made within our parishe

Receauid from the Reuerend father in god Gervas Lord Busshop of Worcester the 22 daye of December 1602 the some of xxs. to be devided emongest the poore of this parishe, which was bestowed as in the distribucions hereafter followeth

XXS.

Receauid from the said Reuerend father in God Gervas lord busshopp of Worcester the 23 daye of December 1603 the some of xxs. to be devided emongest the poore of this parishe which was bestowed as in the distribucions hereafter followeth

Receauid from the Executors of Mr. Thomas Chaunce the 4th daye of October 1603 the some of xxs. to be devided

emongest the poore of this parishe which was bestowed as in the distribucions hereafter followeth xxs.

121. Receauid of Thomas Baker being Tenaunte to the parishe of the land at Clyfton the xxth day of December 1603 for two and Twentye trees sold to him out of the said ground to be by him fallen and carried away within the compas of two yeres for the said xxth day of December 1603 iij/i.

Summa totall of Receiptes xxijli. vjs. vd. ob.

Payments and disbursementes.

Inprimis payd to the wydowe Elkins for the dyett and keeping of a poore childe leaft vpon the parishe at 12d. the wicke and geven to her at severall tymes since the last accompt

13s. 7d.

Item payd to the widowe Usherwood for the dyett and keeping of the foresaid poore child for a certeyne tyme since the last accompt and geven to her at seuerall tymes since

225. 6d.

Item paid for Fryse to make the poore child a Coate and for Clothe to make him two shirtes and for makeing of the same

4s.

Item payd for the dyett and keeping of the foresaid child for fyve weeckes at 8d. the weecke since yt came from wydowe Vsherwood in toto

3s. 4d.

Item payd to Symon Jones 4d. weeckly for John Bristowe's lodgeing since the last accompt and geven to him at seuerall tymes 25s. 8d.

Item geven to wydowe Patten at scuerall tymes since the last accompt 2s.

Item geven to wydowe Shawe at scucrall tymes since the last accompt 12d.

Item layed out when Joane Goodyeare was wrongfully put vnto the parishe to be Releeved 3s. 4d.

Item payd at Walter Walker's for wyne fetchet for the churche at seucrall tymes

Item layd out at seuerall tymes since the last accompt in reparacions about the belies 5s. 5d.

1216. Item payd to Robert Creswell the parishe Clerke for ringeing

vpon the 17 daye of November 1601 2s., and likwyse the 17 daye of November 1602 2s., being the dayes of the yere solempnized for the daye of our late Queene Elizabeth deceased her Coronacion, in toto

Item layd out at the visitacion at three seueral meetings concerning the same xs. vd.

Item geven on the Frydaye commonly called Good Frydaye being the secound daye of Aprill 1602 the rent reserved for the parishe house lyeing in the parishe of St. Hellyne in Worcester nowe in the tenure of Richard Honnyett according to the bequest of Doctor Hare doner thereof by his last will and testament to the poore people followeing of the said parishe videlicet

widowe Patten	xijd.	widowe Coocke	xijd.
widowe Elkins	xij <i>d</i> .	widowe Foord	xij <i>d</i> .
widowe Shawe	xjd.	widowe Bird	xij <i>d</i> .
widowe Allen	xij <i>d</i> .	Symon Jones	xijd.
widowe Vsherwood	xij <i>d</i> .	John Sysemore	xij <i>d</i> .
widowe Hall	xij <i>d</i> .	Goodwife Tanner	xijd.

The residue of the rent being ijs. sixcpence thereof to Goodwife Lynyall and vjd. to John Bristowe and the other xijd. allowed to the churchwardens according to the said will of Doctor Hare, in toto xiiijs.

Charges layed out the 17 daye of January 1602 and since in sueing out a commission against Mr. Chaunce for the makeing of a newe deede of feoffment for our parishe land at Clyfton as followeth, videlicet

Imprimis the expences of Guthlak Foliott for his dyett in goeing to Ludlowe at that tyme

3s. 4d.

Item payd to the Counsellor and Clerkes and for other fees and charges at that tyme 9s. 6d.

Item layed out at the vijth daye of February to my lord Bushopp's Clerk and in other necessaries toucheing the said Commission 13s. 6d.

Item layed out for wryting the newe deede of feoffment and for other things concerning the effecting and fynishing of the same

14s.

tem layd out for a deputacion vnder the Common Seale of the Deane and Chapiter of the Cathedrall Churche of Worcester concerning the house geven to this parishe by Doctor Hare for fees of the Seale and for wryting the said Deputacion

Item payd to Thomas Spilsbury Constable for a proclamacion for waightes and measures 8d.

122. Item geven on the Frydaye commonly called Good Frydaye being the 22 daye of Aprill 1603 the rent reserved for the parishe house lyeing in the parishe of Saint Hellyne in Worcester nowe in the tenure of Richard Honnyett, according to the bequest of Doctor Hare doner thereof by his last will and Testament, to the poore people followeing of the said parishe videlicet

widowe ?	Patten	xijd.	widowe Foord	xijd.
widowe ?	Elkins	xijd.	widowe Gardner	xijd.
widowe (Coocke	xijd.	Symon Jones	xijd.
widowe l	Halle	xijd.	John Sherman	xijd.
widowe l	Pearson	xij <i>d</i> .	Goodwife Lynyall	xijd.
widowe l	Bird	xijd	John Bristowe	xijd.

The residue of the rent being ijs., sixepence thereof to widowe Meredieth and vjd. to Christofer Lawrence, and the other xijd. allowed to the Churchwardens according to the said will of Doctor Hare, in toto xiiijs.

The xxs. which was given by Mr. Chaunce to the poore of this parishe at the tyme of his death was distributed as followeth

widowe Foord	xij <i>d</i> .	widowe Hall	xijd.
widowe Patten	ijs.	Goodwife Lynyall	xijd.
widowe Elkins	xviijd.	widowe Pearson	ijs.
Symon Jones	ijs.	widowe Meredicth	xijd.
widowe Bird	xijd.	widowe Vsherwood	xijd.
John Sherman	xij <i>d</i> .	John Bristowe	xijd.
widowe Coocke	xviijd.	Richard Brewear	vj <i>d</i> .
Goodwife Mond	xijd.	Margaret Williams	vjď.
Robert Robinson	xijd.	in toto	XXS.

Geven by the Reuerend father in God Gervas lord bushopp of Worcester the 22 daye of December 1602 the somme of xxs. which was bestowed emongest the poor of this parishe as followeth

widowe Elkins	xvjd.	John Sherman	xd.
widowe Shawe	xvj <i>d</i> .	widowe Hill	viijd.
widowe Patten	xvja.	widowe Tanner	viijd.
Symon Jones	xvjd.	widowe Pearson	viijd.
widowe Foord	xiijd.	Margett Williams	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Bird	xiij <i>d</i> .	Rowlan Lynyall	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Vsherwood	xijd.	Francis Pharo	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Cooke	xijd.	Richard Brewear	viijd.
widowe Gardner	xijd.	John Bristowe	viijd.
Margett Gough	xijd.	Goodwife Mond	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Meredieth	xd.	Robert Robinson	viijd.

122b. Geven by the Reuerend father in God Gevas lord bushopp of Worcester the 23 daye of December 1603 the Somme of xxs. which was bestowed emongest the poore of this parishe as followeth.

widowe Elkins	ijs.	Thomas Tanner	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Patten	ijs.	widowe Pearson	viij <i>d</i> .
Symon Jones	ijs.	Margett Williams	vjd.
widowe Foord	xiij <i>d</i> .	Rowland Lynyall	xd.
widowe Bird	xiijd.	Frauncis Pharo	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Vsherwood	xvjd.	Richard Brewear	xij <i>d</i> .
widowe Coock	xijd.	John Bristowe	viij <i>d</i> .
widowe Meredieth	xd.	good wife Mond	xd.
widowe Sherman	vjd.	Robert Robinson	vj <i>d</i> ,
widowe Hall	viijd.	Raphe Fynton	xij <i>d</i> .

Item payd for mending the bell wheele 6d., for a newe sturopp for one of the bells and for nayles 5d., for a bell ropp 2od., and for mending one of the bell ropes 3d., in toto ijs. xd. Item for mending the glasse wyndowes about the church at two seuerall tymes iijs. ijd. Item payd for wyne at three seuerall tymes xjs. vjd. Item geven to John Sherman in tyme of his sicknes 4d., and payde for a Shroode for him 2d., in toto xvjd.

Item geven to Symon Jones at three seuerall tymes xijd.
Item geven to John Bristowe 2d. a weeck from the 10th July
for 28 weeckes iiijs, viijd,
Item geven to Raphe Fynton being sick xijd.
Item geven to Richard Brewear in tyme of his sicknes viiid.
Item spent at our goeing to Clyfton about the parishe busines
xiiijd.
Item spent at the same tyme at widowe Walker's iijd.
Item layd out at the breaking vpp of the boxe iiijd.
Item payd to Christofer Courte for keeping of the poore child
with dyett for sixe weeckes iiijs.
Item payd to the said Christofer for takeing the said child to be
his Apprentes according to an Agreement with the parishe-
nors XXS.
Item payd for makeing of a payer of Indentures for the boye
xijd.
Item payd for hinges for two seates in churche vjd.



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