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PREFACE

Bradenstoke Priory, which stood high on the Corallian ridge west of Lyneham, but of which little now remains, was founded in 1139 for Augustinian canons by Walter of Salisbury. The foundation gained independence from its motherhouse, Cirencester Abbey, in 1189. Its endowments, although mostly in Wiltshire, included far-flung properties elsewhere in England, and also in Wales and Normandy. The story of the foundation of the house, and that of the period of consolidation and growth which followed, are recorded in two 14th-century cartularies in the British Library. The later text, Stowe MS. 925, forms the basis of the present volume. Additional deeds from the earlier, but imperfect, Cotton MS. Vitellius A. xi are calendared in an appendix. The deeds of both manuscripts are correlated in a concordance. Not only students of ecclesiastical and economic history, but also those of genealogy, place-, and field-names, have cause to be grateful to Miss London for her expertise and care in preparing this edition.

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ABBREVIATIONS

Ann. Mon.: Annales Monastici, ed. H.R. Luard (RS, 1864-9)

Bk. Fees: The Book of Fees (HMSO, 1922–31)

Cal. Inq. p.m.: Calendar of Inquisitions post mortem

Cal. Misc. Inq.: Calendar of Miscellaneous Inquisitions

Cat. Anct. Deeds: Descriptive Catalogue of Ancient Deeds (HMSO, 1890-1915)

CChR; Calendar of Charter Rolls

CCR: Calendar of Close Rolls

CDF: Calendar of Documents preserved in France, ed. J.H. Round (HMSO, 1899)

Chronology: Handbook of British Chronology, ed. F.M. Powicke and E.B. Fryde (Royal Historical Soc. Guides and Handbooks, II, 2nd edn., 1961)

Civil Pleas: Civil Pleas of the Wiltshire Eyre, 1249, ed. M.T. Clanchy (WRS, XXVI, 1971)

Collectanea: Wilts. Archaeological and Natural History Soc., Records Branch, XII (1956)

CP: The Complete Peerage, ed. G.E.C.; new edn., ed. V. Gibbs, G.H. White, and others (1910-59)

CPL: Calendar of eutries in the papal registers relating to Great Britain (HMSO, 1894)

CPR: Calendar of the Patent Rolls

CR: Close Rolls of the reign of Henry III

Crown Pleas: Crown Pleas of the Wiltshire Eyre, 1249, ed. C.A.F. Meekings (Wilts. Archaeological and Natural History Soc., Records Branch, XVI, 1961)

CRR: Curia Regis Rolls

Ctl. Bruton: Two cartularies of the Augustinian Priory of Bruton and the Cluniac Priory of Montacute, ed. H.C. Maxwell Lyte and others (SRS, XVIII, 1894)

Ctl. Circncester: The Cartulary of Circncester Abbey, I-II, ed. C.D. Ross (1964); III, ed. M. Devine (1977)

Ctl. Glastonbury: The Great Chartulary of Glastonbury, ed. Dom Aelred Watkin (SRS, LIX, LXIII, LXIV, 1947-56)

Ctl. Malmesbury: Registrum Malmesburiense, ed. J.S. Brewer and C.T. Martin (RS, 1879-80)

Earldom of Gloucester Chts.: ed. R.B. Patterson (1973)

Eyton: Eyton, R.W., Court, Household, and Itinerary of King Henry II (1878)

Glam. Charters: Carta et alia munimenta quae ad dominium de Glamorgan pertinent, ed. G.L. Clark (1910)

HMC Var. Coll.: Report on manuscripts in Various Collections (1901-14)

HMC Wells: Calendar of the manuscripts of the Dean and Chapter of Wells (1907-14)

HMSO: Her Majesty's Stationery Office

Holtzmann: Holtzmann, W., Papsturkunden in England, I-III (1930-52)

KBL: The Heads of Religious Houses, England and Wales, 940-1216, ed. D. Knowles, C.N.L. Brooke, V. London (1972)

KH: Medieval Religious Houses, England and Wales, ed. D. Knowles and R.N. Hadcock, 2nd edn. (1971)

MLWL: Medieval Latin Word List, ed. R.E. Latham, 2nd edn. (1965)

Monasticon: Dugdale, W., Monasticon Anglicanum, ed. J. Caley, H. Ellis, and B. Bandinel (1817-30)

Oxford Fines: Feet of Fines for Oxfordshire, 1195-1291, ed. H.E. Salter (Oxford Record Soc., XII, 1930)

PR: Pipe Rolls, cited by regnal year

PRO: Public Record Office

Rec. Com.: Record Commission

Reg. Black Prince: Register of Edward the Black Prince (HMSO, 1933)

Reg. Gandavo: Registrum Simonis de Gandavo, 1297-1315, ed. C.T. Flower and M.C.B. Dawes (Canterbury and York Soc., XL, XLI, 1934)

Reg. Martival: The Registers of Roger Martival, bishop of Salisbury, 1315-1330, ed. Kathleen Edwards, C.R. Elrington, and Susan Reynolds (Canterbury and York Soc., LV, LVII, LIX, 1959-72)

Rot. Cht.: Rotuli Chartarum (Rec. Com., 1837)

Rot. Lit. Claus.: Rotuli Litterarum Clausarum (Rec. Com., 1833-4)

Rot. Lit. Pat.: Rotuli Litterarum Patentium (Rec. Com., 1835)

RS: Rolls Series

Sanders: Sanders, I.J., English Baronies, 1086-1327 (1960)

Sarum Chts.: Charters and Documents illustrating the history of Salisbury, ed. W.R. James and W.D. Macray (RS, 1891)

Soms. Fines: Pedes Finium for the County of Somerset, ed. Emanuel Green (SRS, VI, 1892)

SRS: Somerset Record Society

Taxatio: Taxatio Ecclesiastica Angliae et Walliae, auctoritate Nicholai IV (Rec. Com., 1802)

VCH: Victoria History of the Counties of England

WAM: Wiltshire Archaeological and Natural History Magazine

Wells Cath. Misc.: Dean Cosyn and Wells Cathedral Miscellanea, ed. Dom Aelred Watkin (SRS, LVI, 1941)

Wilts. Fines I: Calendar of the Feet of Fines relating to Wiltshire, 1195-1272, ed. E. A. Fry (Wilts. Archaeological and Natural History Soc., 1930)

Wilts. Fines II: Abstracts of Feet of Fines relating to Wiltshire for the reigns of Edward I and Edward II, ed. R.B. Pugh (Wilts. Archaeological and Natural History Soc., Records Branch, I, 1939)

Wilts. Fines III: Abstracts... for the reign of Edward III, ed. C.R. Elrington (WRS, XXIX, 1973)

Wilts. Inq. p.m. 1: Abstracts of Wiltshire Inquisitions post mortem, 1242-1326, ed. E. A. Fry (Wilts. Archaeological and Natural History Soc., 1908)

Wilts. Inq. p.m. II: Inquisitions . . . 1327-1377, abstracted by Ethel Stokes (Wilts. Archaeological and Natural History Soc., 1914)

WRS: Wiltshire Record Society

INTRODUCTION

BRADENSTOKE PRIORY AND ITS RECORDS

The Augustinian house of St. Mary at Bradenstoke was founded in 1139 by Walter 'le Eurus', father of Patrick, first earl of Salisbury, and after an existence of four hundred years was surrendered on 17 January 1539.2 It was an offshoot of the abbey of Cirencester, where regular life had begun only eight years earlier,3 and was in subjection to the mother-house until 1189 when, with the help of William, earl of Salisbury, their patron, and of Richard I, patron of the royal foundation of Cirencester, the canons obtained their independence.4 By 1194 their numbers had increased sufficiently for them to be able to send canons to colonize William Marshall's new foundation at Cartmel.⁵ Bradenstoke was never one of the great Augustinian houses and its income in 1535 was only £212.6

The only important surviving records of the priory are the two cartularies: the earlier, now imperfect, forms the major part of B.L. Cotton MS. Vitellius A.xi, a codex containing two other texts; the other, completed only a few years later, is B.L. Stowe MS. 925.8 No account-rolls, extents, or surveys are known for the period covered by the cartularies, but Tanner recorded that a rental was in the possession of William Aubrey of Kington St. Michael in 1695.9 A few original deeds survive, some in the Public Record Office, and others in private hands, 10

The ownership of the cartularies for a long period after the Dissolution is unknown, but it is probable that they passed with the site of the priory into the possession of Richard Pexsall, the king's servant, to whom the estate was granted in 1546.11

The two texts cover practically the same period: both have early charters and neither records any grant after 1344, except the licence for a fair and market issued by Edward III in 1361 (564), but leases and disputes were entered in Vitellius up to 1382 (673) and in Stowe, in the main hand, up to 1390 (255), with divers additions in a number of later hands up to 1484 (572). Two-thirds of the entries are common to both and the proportion would

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<sup>1</sup> KH, p. 149; below, no. 570.
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² KH, p. 149; below, no. 586.

³ KH, p. 154.

⁴ Below, no. 20.

⁵ KH, p. 153.

⁶ Valor Ecclesiasticus, II, p. 125.

A sermon by John Beleth (ff. 3-37) and a list in verse of the archbishops of Canterbury from Augustine to Richard of Dover (f. 37v.). Both are written in double column in bookhand.

⁸ These texts are hereinafter referred to simply as 'Vitellius' and 'Stowe'.

Monasticon, VI, p. 337n.
 Cat. Anct. Deeds, IV, A4718, A5899; HMC Var. Coll., IV, pp. 96-140 passim.

¹¹ Letters and Papers, Hen. VIII, XXI (2), p. 157; VCH Wilts., III, p. 288.

probably be higher if the missing folios of Vitellius could be restored. In all, the texts record 674 documents, but this total does not include all known grants.² Even the earliest of the scribes of Vitellius was writing nearly two hundred years after the foundation, by which time many of the earlier deeds had become obsolete, or had been handed over to the new owners when property was sold or exchanged (201, 516, 628).

The cartularies differ so greatly in both character and method of compilation that the Stowe text cannot be considered to be merely a fair copy of Vitellius. The latter was written without system over a long period in a number of 14th-century charter hands by scribes of varying competence, while the Stowe text was based on an elaborate scheme and was written in a single late-14th-century charter hand. Both texts are plain utilitarian productions.

With so few originals extant it is difficult to check the reliability of the scribes, but comparison of charters that are included in both cartularies reveals little discrepancy in fact, but a number of variants in the spelling, especially of place-names. Originals were evidently still available to the scribe of Stowe who sometimes copied witness lists that had not been given in Vitellius. The canons seem to have preserved their muniments carefully, even if they did not store them in an orderly fashion, and were able to produce a charter in court at least one hundred and fifty years after it was written (673).

Of the hundred and six sections in Stowe, seventy-five are complete in Vitellius (although often scattered in several places), twenty-one lack a few deeds, and ten are entirely missing. On the other hand, the writer of Stowe omitted ninety-two deeds given in Vitellius. They concerned forty-two of his topographical sections and fourteen areas for which he had no deeds.

B.L. COTTON MS. VITELLIUS A.XI

There are very few certainties about this manuscript. The original size of the cartulary, the order of its compilation, and its subsequent history all present

known from confirmations of overlords or heirs of the donors.

¹ At least 21 folios are lost. All the deeds of Chippenham, Wilton, and several other places are lacking and nearly all of important sections such as Chitterne, Stratton, and Somerford. are tacking and nearly all of important sections such as Chitterne, Stratton, and Somerford, vit. originally contained more folios and more deeds than Stowe, but fewer and larger quires. Vit (after losses): 171 folios, 544 deeds. Stowe (without Table): 171 folios, 587 deeds. Of the deeds in Vit. 38 are duplicates. There are 418 deeds common to both, 168 only in Stowe, and 88 only in Vit. (92, but 4 were duplicates).

2 The royal inspeximus of 1207 (Rot. Cht., pp. 169-70) includes eleven items not in the cartularies, and that of 1232 (CChR, 1226-57, pp. 159 ff.) another thirty-four. Others are known from confirmations of overloads or heirs of the donors.

problems,¹ and there are not sufficient data on which to base reliable solutions. There is a great lack of early information. The manuscript may not have been collected by Sir Robert Cotton himself, and it is not mentioned in the catalogue of his collection made in 1621.² The catalogue of 1696, made after the collection came into the possession of the Crown, does not state the number of folios.³ It is known that the cartulary was available to Roger Dodsworth c. 1652, when he made extracts from it,⁴ that it survived the fire at Ashburnham House in 1731, sustaining comparatively little damage,⁵ and that in 1753 it was deposited with the other Cotton manuscripts in the new British Museum Library.⁶

The volume, now consisting of two hundred and eight folios bound in brown leather, contains three texts, of which the third and largest is a cartulary of Bradenstoke Priory (ff. 38-208). The folios were gathered into seventeen quires, not all now extant, and measure approximately 22×16.5 cm. They were contracted by the heat of the fire, and the damage to the margins was sufficient to necessitate the mounting of the leaves. Fortunately, the margins had been so generous that the damage did not often reach the written portion of the folios. The manuscript, as a whole, is in surprisingly good condition and is easily legible for the greater part of most of the charters. Of those where a few lines have been charred away, or badly shrivelled, only eight have no copy in the Stowe text from which they can be reconstructed.

The cartulary is written in single column with about thirty lines to the page, in a number of 14th-century charter hands. The ink was good and the writing well formed, except for the items inserted into blank spaces left by earlier scribes. There is no discernible plan: the order of the deeds suggests that they were picked at random out of a badly-kept muniment chest. If a few related deeds were found together they were copied consecutively and the scribe of Stowe usually adopted the same order. Some of the scribes gave rubrics,

¹ The MS. has been foliated three times: the first system was used by Dodsworth and by Dugdale in the first edition of the *Monasticon*; the second, made after the fire, was used in the article on Bradenstoke in the second edition of the *Monasticou*, but the supplement of charters was taken over from the first edition without correction of the then obsolete folio references; the third was made after the leaves had been mounted and is used in *VCH Wilts.*, III, and in other recent writings about the priory. The first system included only the cartulary and runs from 1 to 188; the second includes the two other texts, the cartulary filling folios 36–205; the third also includes the two preliminary leaves and a small schedule inserted after f. 54 and runs from 38 to 208. A last, blank folio is not included in any of the systems. Only eight of the first system have survived. Another difficulty is that the quires were misplaced when numbered, and when the order was corrected the numbers were not altered, so the quires appear to be out of order although correct. There are no catchwords. Only one folio, f. 199, bears all the three numbers.

² B.L. Harl. MS. 6018, 'Catalogus librorum manuscriptorum in Bibliotheca Roberti Cottoni, 1621'.

³ Thomas Smith (ed.), Catalogus librorum manuscriptorum Bibliotheca Cottonianae (Oxford, 1696).

⁴ Oxford, Bodleian MS. Dodsworth 108.

⁵ Report from the Committees appointed to view the Cottonian Library . . . and to report on the condition thereof (London, 1732), Appendix B5. Reprinted in Reports from the Committees of the House of Commons, i, pp. 445-535 (London, 1773).

⁶ Catalogue of the Manuscripts in the Cottonian Library, deposited in the British Museum, ed. J. Planta (Rec. Com., 1802), Introduction, p. xiii.

others omitted witness lists, but their work is all alike in that it is without colour or ornament.

The cartulary divides into two main parts between f. 108 and f. 109, but their relationship is difficult to determine. They are neither chronologically nor topographically independent, and both contain early and late deeds and deal with many of the same areas.

There is little to be said about Part II. It consisted of one hundred folios, gathered into ten regular quires of ten, all still extant, and apparently undisturbed in order. The quires are smaller than those of Part I, which contain twelve, and on occasion fourteen, folios. It is, on the whole, better planned and the scribe of Stowe was able to take over forty-seven topographical sections as they stood, as against only ten from Part I. The lower margins suffered rather more damage than those in the earlier part of the volume, but there are no stained or rubbed folios and it seems that Part II received better treatment.

Quires		Foliations	
I (12ff.)	1st 1–12	2nd 36–47	3rd 38–49
II (14ff.)	13–21 22–26	48–57 	50-60ª —
III (14ff.)	27–40	_	_
IV (12ff.)	41–52	58-71	61-74
V (12ff.)	53-64	72–83	75–86
VI (12ff.)	65-76	84–95	87-98
VII (12ff.)	77–86 87–88	96-105 —	99–108 —

a A small schedule was added as f. 55.

Table I. Structure of Part I of B.L. Vitellius MS. A.xi

The compilation of Part I is problematic because parts of the fifth and sixth quires were written after Part II and contain a number of duplicates. It may be suggested that the scribe filled five folios of the fifth quire and then left seven blank because he wished to copy the charters of the earls of Salisbury on a new quire, Quire VI. These charters took only five folios and the rest were filled later. At a later date, after the completion of Part II, another scribe wished to enter more charters. He turned to the seven blank folios

¹ The fire was approaching from below and apparently from the left, so the later folios of a book on the shelves would be nearer the heat. A.ix, a near neighbour, was reported to be so shrivelled and mutilated as to be quite useless.

of the fifth quire and copied thirty-four deeds and part of a thirty-fifth. He then inserted a new quire of twelve folios between the fifth and sixth quires (thus making the old sixth quire into the seventh), completed his thirty-fifth deed and added another fifty-one, finishing on the tenth folio. The remaining two were later filled with deeds in a number of different hands.

Possibly he copied from a separate quire, later than Part II, without checking whether any of the charters had already been entered. This would explain the number of duplicates, nine of deeds in Part I and seven of those in Part II.

At the time of the first foliation Part I consisted of eighty-eight folios gathered into seven quires. How many more there may have been at an earlier period it is not possible to say. Part I evidently had a separate existence for some time and in this period folios were lost at both ends. The loss at the beginning probably amounted to no more than a couple of folios, one of them perhaps a title page, since the first surviving folio shows traces of waterstaining similar to that at the end of the seventh quire. They were not part of the first quire. The two folios that are missing at the end of the seventh quire contained the remaining part of a long deed which began on f. 108v.¹ These early losses could be the result of neglect in the convent after the Stowe cartulary had been written, or of post-Dissolution vicissitudes.

Another and later loss is greater, involving five folios at the end of the second quire and all the fourteen folios of the third. They were lost between the making of the first and second foliations, a period that includes the fire of 1731, an obvious explanation for loss, but there are several reasons for thinking that it may not be the correct one. In the first place it is difficult to imagine a fire so selective that it could destroy folios in the middle of a volume without causing severe damage to those on either side, but these, apart from the margins, show no sign of damage by fire or water. Also the official Report issued in 1732 on the damaged and defective manuscripts does not mention Vitellius A.xi.²

The consistent discrepancy between the folio references given to the charters in the supplement to the article on the priory in the *Monasticon*³ is an indication of loss, but the charters are so few and all but one taken from Part II, that, in consequence, the point of loss can be defined only vaguely as occurring between f. 50 and f. 85 of the present foliation. More precise information can be found in the notebook of Roger Dodsworth. He leaves a gap of nineteen folios between f. 21 and f. 41 (first foliation) and resumes copying with the first folio of the fourth quire, but the third foliation shows no gap at all, moving straight from f. 60 to f. 61. This, unfortunately, is not conclusive evidence that the folios were lost before 1652, since he left other large gaps if he found nothing to interest him, but on all these other occasions the third foliation shows exactly the same gap. It is possible that the folios were still there and the charters on them ignored by him, and that they were

¹ A second and complete copy occurs on ff. 181v.-183.

² See n. 5 on p. 3 above. ³ Monasticon, VI, pp. 338-40.

lost at the time of the fire, but taken with the other evidence given above his omission strengthens the case for pre-fire loss.

B.L. STOWE MS. 925

This manuscript was at one time in the possession of Thomas Astle (1735-1803), keeper of records at the Tower. In the early years of the 19th century it was part of the collection of the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos at Stowe.² The collection was bought by the government in 1883 and deposited in the British Museum Library.3

The volume, bound in red velvet, now consists of one hundred and ninetyseven folios measuring 31.7×21 cm.4 There is little sign of ruling, but each page written by the original scribe contains thirty lines. Some of the later items were added in cramped hands at the rate of forty or more lines to the page, and in some cases spread over the lower margins. It is a very plain production, but written in a very good 14th-century charter hand in good quality ink. The only attempt to lessen the austerity of its appearance is a floral design on the upper and inner margins of the first folio, and the large elaborate initial letter of the first deed, picked out in yellow and purple. All the initial letters in the first line of each of the royal charters are drawn up and floreated and a crown is added above the initial letter of the king's name.

There is a contemporary Table of Contents (ff. 2-25), but no original title page. An 18th-century owner added a very crude one with alternate red and blue letters, 5 and these colours are repeated in the initials, paragraph marks and page headings of the volume, the coloured lines following the outlines of the scribe's black letters. The folios were gathered into twenty-three quires, most of them having catch-words and quire numbers. The last section almost filled the nineteenth quire and on the twentieth the scribe began the Table of Contents. This filled three quires, but before the second two were numbered, the Table was moved to the beginning of the volume, so that now Quire XX and two unnumbered quires stand before Quire I. A further unnumbered quire was added at the end after the nineteenth quire, and is filled with material dating from 1188 to 1484, written in a variety of inks, some of poor quality, by later hands. The last folio of the cartulary proper is badly stained and discoloured. The recto is blank, but the verso contains three short items which are partly illegible. It seems that the manuscript was lying unbound for a considerable time and that this was then the outside folio. The absence of a correspondingly worn folio at the beginning and the lack of a contemporary title page to this very well planned volume suggest that one folio, or more, is missing.

¹ G. R. C. Davis, Medieval Cartularies of Great Britain (1958), pp. 10, 167.

<sup>Bibliotheca Stowensis, II (1818), p. 147.
E. B. Graves, A Bibliography of British History to 1485 (1975), p. 134.</sup>

⁴ Numbered only up to 195, but two blank, unnumbered folios occur between ff. 110-11 and 118-19.

⁵ He also added a quire of two folios containing 18th-century copies of the surrender document and the pension list.

Paste down

Paper folio

Parchment folio (modern title page, reckoned as f. 1)

Four parchment folios (unnumbered)

Quires	Folios	Contents
XX	2–9	Table
	10–17	Table
_	18–25	Table; Taxatio
I	26–37	Sections 1-5
II	38-49	5–14
III	50–57	14–17
IV	58-65	17–21
V	66–73	21–29
VI	74–81	29–39
VII	82-89	40-49
VIII	90–97	49–58
IX	98–105	58–71
X	106–112	71-74ª
XI	113–119	74–78°
XII	120–127	78–85
XIII	128-135	85–90
XIV	136–143	90–94
XV	144–151	94100
XVI	152–159	101-103; Appendix
XVII	160–167	Appendix
XVIII	168–175	Sections 104–105
XIX	176–183	105-106; Additions
_	184–193	Additions
	194–195	18th-cent. additions

Paper folio

Paste down

a Contains one blank unnumbered folio.

All quires have eight folios, with the exception of Quires I and II (which have twelve folios), the quire after XIX (which has ten), and the 18th-century addition (which has two).

Table II. Structure of B.L. Stowe MS. 925

The cartulary was compiled by Brother T. de M., a man of orderly mind, who made an excellent attempt to produce a systematic record from the original deeds and the chaotic Vitellius text.¹ His plan for the work was ambitious: there are one hundred and six numbered sections,² and of these numbers 1, 104, 105, 106 are devoted to church muniments, fines, royal deeds, and charters of the earls of Salisbury respectively. The remaining sections are grouped under ten county headings, beginning with Wiltshire.³ These headings are written in the top margins of the versos. In the centre are the names of the parishes, or hamlets, in which the canons had property, numbered from 2 to 103. A study of place-names reveals an intermediate grouping, nowhere indicated, but obviously planned: the arrangement of the parishes and hamlets by their hundreds. With such an elaborate and detailed plan it is remarkable that it did not break down more often than it did.

Brother T. de M. faced the usual difficulties of the fair-copyist who has assumed that his sections are complete and has left no spaces between them, and is then confronted with more deeds. When at least eighty-seven folios had been written, but before the Table was made, he found another thirty-five deeds, none of them in the Vitellius text, belonging to seven of his completed sections. To accommodate them he inserted another quire between the last quire of the topographical sections and the fines. All these deeds, although separated from their sections, were given the numbers that they would have had in their proper places.

Of his impressive number of one hundred and six sections, twenty consist of a single deed, and a further thirty-four of two or three deeds only. His use of space is inconsistent: he gives long lists of witnesses, but no rubrics, his margins are generous, but the gaps between the deeds are inadequate. On several occasions the numerator failed to see the break between two deeds and omitted a charter from his sequence. Although expansion had ceased by the time this manuscript was written, so that it was not necessary to leave space for recording new acquisitions, the compression is over severe.

THE CONTENT OF THE CARTULARIES

These cartularies contain material of considerable interest, especially to genealogists working on the families of Wiltshire and Gloucestershire, and also to the student of place-names and field-names. To the historian the most important charters are two which offer a clue to the very old mystery concerning the mother of William Longespee, illegimate son of Henry II. For a long period it was supposed that she was Rosamund Clifford, but in recent

¹ 'Orate pro anima fratris T. de M. qui hunc librum scripsit'. (f. 24).

² He set out one hundred and seven, but the fifth was ignored by the numerator. A note was added in the Table: 'De Lydiard nichil hic quia per excambium et permutacionem . . .'.
3 Bristol is treated as a county.

years it has been generally accepted that her identity is unknown.\(^1\) In these two charters William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, refers to his mother as Comitissa Ida, mater mea (481) and Ida comitissa, mater mea (646). These entries occur in two different manuscripts and in different topographical sections and seem unlikely to be the result of scribal error. Slight confirmation can be found for them in the fact that one of William's daughters was christened Ida. Much work will be needed before a positive identification of Countess Ida can be made, but it is worth noting that the grand-daughter of King Stephen by Mary, his daughter (wife of Matthew, count of Flanders), was named Ida and was countess of Boulogne in her own right.

At first sight it is surprising that the only copy of the short and unpretentious foundation charter was added in a later hand on a partially blank folio in Stowe (570) and does not occur in the surviving portion of Vitellius. A possible reason can be found in the terms of the foundation. After the canons' long struggle in the late 12th century to gain emancipation from the mother-house they might have been reluctant, even after two hundred years, to include a charter that stated categorically that their house had been founded in obedience to Abbot Serlo and the convent of St. Mary, Cirencester. It is also strange that neither cartulary has a copy of the royal inspeximus of 1232, which confirmed eighty-seven charters.2

Little more than a third of the documents are direct grants to the canons. The rest are confirmations, quitclaims, papal mandates, royal licences, inquisitions, fines, and records of their disputes with their ecclesiastical and lay neighbours. In some transactions the title deeds of the former owners are included, proving their right to the property that they were donating, and barring them from any claims on it in the future. A single charter usually sufficed to transfer a large property, but it could, on occasion, take a considerable time and many charters to make over a small parcel of land. An extreme example occurred in the mid-14th century, when it took two years and twelve deeds to transfer a messuage and four virgates to the canons (37-48). The canons must have handed over the deeds when they sold or exchanged lands, which would account for the fact that some of the grants listed in the royal confirmations of 1207 and 1232 are not recorded in the cartularies made as late as the 14th century.

The importance of the earls of Salisbury in the affairs of Bradenstoke shows clearly in the cartularies. Not only were they the founders, but oneseventh of all the recorded deeds were made, or witnessed, by them, or contain references to them as overlords of the donors. From these deeds the names of members of their housholds can be recovered, especially those of stewards and chamberlains, but also of other officers and servants. One such, Philip

The one contrary opinion is that she was Alice Poerhoët. W. L. Sheppard, 'The Bastards of Henry II', The Genealogists' Magazine, XIV (1964), pp. 361-8.
 Possibly they were just omitted. An inspection of the muniments of Luffield priory in 1496 revealed that over a hundred charters, some of considerable importance, were not included that the charters of the considerable importance. included in the cartularies: Luffield Priory Charters, I, ed. G. R. Elvey (Northants. Record Soc., XX, 1968), Introduction, p. ix.

of Farley, witnessed over forty charters dealing with grants in three counties and nineteen topographical sections.¹

A few items of human interest occur: there is the declaration of a man that because his seal had been in the hands of 'many and divers men' during his recent illness, no document made in that period and sealed with his seal was to be considered valid except his grant to Bradenstoke (257); the statement of a benefactor, who had agreed to contribute $2\frac{1}{2}$ marks yearly to the stipend of a chaplain, that he would give more if God should inspire him (259); yet another charter shows a man in the process of building up a compact holding of land as dowry for his daughter by a series of small exchanges in the fields (188). Another throws light on the administration of a leper hospital in the early 13th century; some rights in the market-place had been sold to the canons and it is recorded that the decision had been made not just by the Master and his staff but by the common consent of the 'brethren lying sick there' (411).

These cartularies present the priory as existing in a vacuum, entirely unaffected by natural disasters or political events. It was not the scribe's task to provide a chronicle, but no chance phrase marks the occurrence of the civil wars of the 13th century, the famines of the early 14th, or even the Black Death, which seems to have robbed them of a prior.² The one exception is the Sixth Crusade: the rubric to the Vitellius version of 367 states that the charter was made by William Longespee 'who died in the Holy Land', and here the scribe was in error as it was not the donor but his son who died on crusade.

A calendar in English inevitably lacks much of the character of the full Latin text. It is not possible in brief abstracts to preserve the diplomatic form of the original, nor to show the gradual change in spirit that came in with the 13th century and is apparent in the form as well as the content of the later charters. The early deeds frequently opened with pious salutations to 'all the sons of Holy Mother Church', or to 'all the faithful of Christ'. This type of charter was superseded by instruments opening, without greeting, with the curt and secular 'Sciant omnes . . .'. Some indications of change survive the processes of translation and calendaring, and one can be seen in the constitution of the witness lists. Many of the early deeds were witnessed almost exclusively by priests, but their places were gradually taken over by knights, although the domestic chaplains of great men can still be found.

The change is still more apparent in the increasing spirit of legality to be seen in the deeds, probably in consequence of the reforms and legislation of Henry II. Among the Bradenstoke charters no provision was made to safeguard tenure before c. 1195. From that time warranty clauses begin to appear, with provision for coercion by ecclesiastical or lay authorities for any

² The Black Death came near to them. At Ivychurch near Salisbury the prior and twelve of the thirteen canons died: KH, p. 161.

¹ His record is broken by the Lampreys of Fenacre, Devon. Three generations of the family, none of whom ever made a grant to Canonsleigh, witnessed over a third of their West Country charters (Ctl. Canonsleigh Abbey, ed. V.C.M. London (Devon and Cornwall Record Soc., N.s., VIII, 1965), passim.

failure to meet obligations. The considerable number of disputes recorded arising from such failure indicates the increasing need to secure contracts where simple grants had once sufficed. Warranty could be transferred with a property (133). An interesting case in the early 13th century is contained in three charters: A transfers land to B, without mention of warranty (461); B makes the property over to C, passing on the warranty he says he had from A (462); C gives it to the canons and states that he and his heirs will warrant the land in so far as they can induce or compel B and his heirs to warrant it to them, as they should by the charter they have made. But C makes it clear that he and his heirs are not bound or compelled to honour the warranty (463).

There was also greater emphasis on the need for maximum publicity for transactions. There is only one early charter that states that the gift was made on the altar (384), but others record that the grants were made before the whole county (298), or hundred (198, 408), or before public witnesses (65). One donor states that he has caused the details of the transaction to be recited to the men of the manor and has openly assigned the property to the canons (429), another that seisin was given in the view of many (407). One man said that he had given as full seisin as was possible in the absence of the bailiffs, but for greater security a fuller seisin should be given in their presence (256).

BENEFACTORS AND ESTATES

Not only was Bradenstoke priory founded by a member of the family of the earls of Salisbury, but its chief benefactors were the earls, their relatives, their officers, and their tenants. Successive kings made small grants to the priory, but a number of gifts entered in the public records were not copied into the cartularies. King John, who is known to have stayed at the priory on several occasions, made gifts of timber and pasture and a site for its cattle-sheds in Chippenham Forest (552, 553). Henry III granted the canons a five-day fair (550). From Edward I they received a grant of free warren in Lyneham and Wilcot (556) and he issued licences to nine donors to alienate property in mortmain to the canons (551, 555, 558, 559, 561). Edward II granted them licence to acquire property to the annual value of twenty marks (560), while Edward III granted them a four-day fair and a Friday market in 1361 (564). Surprisingly this appears to have been their first market. In addition Henry II, John, Henry III, and Edward II confirmed their possessions (549, 562, 565).

Grants were also received from the earls of Gloucester and Hertford, Essex and Hereford, and Pembroke, but many of the benefactors were small local landlords who left few traces on the central records and whose grants are difficult to date.

¹ The charter made by Henry III in 1232 was not copied in the cartularies (Printed: CChR, 1226-57, pp. 159-62).

Grants were made for a variety of reasons, the great majority in the hope of spiritual benefits for the donor and his family and, in some cases, for the overlord who had granted him the property that he was donating to the canons. Few gifts are recorded as being made for the privilege of burial in the priory church (2, 275, 321), but the many references in the charters to relatives at rest at Bradenstoke show that it had often been granted, especially in the early period (222, 284, 458, 510, 518, 654). This concession, sanctioned by the pope (18), could lead to disputes with the parish churches over burial fees. There are no records of gifts made as premium for entry into religion at Bradenstoke.

Piety and generosity were not the only motives for the transfer of property to the canons. Debts and economic pressure forced men to part with their lands or rents for ready money (72, 94, 128, 181, 310, 417, 597). This was particularly frequent in the first half of the 13th century. Even William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, was compelled by the debts of Earl William, his father-in-law, to the Jews of Oxford to pledge the manor of Canford to the canons for one hundred and twenty marks (650). The grants of small plots, or rents, in distant places suggest that the donors may have had a double motive: to rid themselves of property which was difficult to administer and at the same time to obtain spiritual benefits for their souls.

Comparatively few gifts were ear-marked for special purposes and of these the majority were to provide lights on the altar of St. Mary (196, 234, 268, 416). Others were for the maintenance of hospitality (1, 14, 217, 358), the support of the canons (14, 217), the daily Mass of the Virgin (69, 192, 193), for paschal wax and lamps in the church (485, 511), for the increase of alms (192), to provide a chantry chaplain (4, 369), and to provide a pittance on the anniversary of the donor's parents (207). One donor gave ten acres of land, the rent from it to be used to maintain the roof of the church (422).

The canons' property was widespread, probably too widespread for efficient administration. At one time or another they had property in twelve English counties, one Welsh one, and in Normandy, but some of it was retained for a very short time. The greater part of their holdings was in Wiltshire, scattered over twenty-six hundreds, but chiefly lying in the near-by hundreds of Kingsbridge, Chippenham, and Swanborough.

It was extremely diverse in character. The canons held appropriated churches and advowsons, and their grants from the Crown included franchises, fairs, and a market. In the country they had arable land, meadow, extensive pasture, woods, moors, withy beds, and crofts. In the towns they held plots of land, burgages, shops, stalls, and a tannery. There were mills in both town and country, a salt-pan on the Dorset coast, and a share in the famous quarries at Hazelbury. Only two complete manors were received and very few full hides of land, but many virgates and acres. Up to the end of

¹ Richard Pygge, the 'special friend' of Prior Geoffrey (64) was buried at Bradenstoke. In 1301 the bishop of Salisbury sent a mandate to the dean of Malmesbury instructing him to inquire why the body should not be restored to the church of Christian Malford and the mortuary fee paid to that church: Reg. Gandavo, I, pp. 28-9.

the 13th century the value of many grants was increased by the inclusion of the villeins and their families with the land (26, 244, 245, etc.).

It is not possible to make even a rough estimate of the total area of their lands. Although many donors stated the exact area and the position of strips in the furlongs, many others granted 'all my land at X', without details.

Rents formed a substantial part of the canons' revenues. These were mostly derived from town property held by the donors, but an increasing amount from their own leased-out property. By the time of the *Valor Ecclesiasticus* all their lands and churches were farmed out. Not all the rents were paid in money, and their rents in kind included oil and wax for lighting the church, and an annual render of ten sticks of eels (619). Other sources of income derived from legacies. No will is copied into the cartularies, but references to bequests occur, usually on account of non-payment by heirs of the testators. William of Potterne left them an annual sum of 5s., but it is known only because his nephew, his heir, tried to evade payment and the case came to court (340). They were also devised a burgage in the market-place of Sodbury (444).

Rights and exemptions must have been as valuable as much of their property. Some donors gave them the right to keep their sheep in their own folds on the donors' land (618, 664) and to use the headlands of the arable for grazing their beasts (664). Others exempted them from suit to the manorial or hundredal courts (472, 666, etc.). Henry III granted them freedom from toll throughout the realm on everything bought for their own use, carried by land or water (562). William, earl of Gloucester, allowed them quittance of toll on all that they bought or sold in Bristol for the use of their demesne (401). Within the lordship of Tormarton they had permission to carry their goods without toll, charge, or custom (672), and their waggons were exempted from all dues in the township of Hinton by Bristol (652).

The problems of administration must have been considerable. Not only was there the need to supervise the working of the estates, involving care of stock and crops, and to collect their rents, and distrain for those in arrears, but to attend to the payments of the many small rents that they themselves owed. In Wilton a grant of seven tenements rendered them liable for seven small rents, paid to seven different people, and all at different dates (308).

It is impossible to make a reliable estimate of the canons' assets, but it is still more difficult to assess their burdens and expenses. Royal, papal, and episcopal dues had to be paid. These included danegeld (238, 633), hidage (57), sheriff's aid (599), and extra demands to contribute to the expenses of the king's wars (573). For the church there were Peter's Pence (366), church scot (207, 208), the expenses of the papal nuncio (593), and, from time to time, election expenses. In 1342 the canons complained to the king that they had been taxed twice over on some properties because the collectors had failed to recognize a place under two different spellings (573).

The cost of the frequent litigation must have been heavy. Many of the final concords were made in courts as distant as Westminster. Only six were heard locally at Wilton, thirty miles from the priory.

Other burdens, not recorded in the cartularies, but to be found in the public records, were the entertainment of the king on his journeys and the maintenance of his old servants whom he had billeted upon them to be cared for in old age.¹

GROWTH AND CONSOLIDATION

Papal, royal, and episcopal confirmations give some idea of the canons' property in 1232,2 and growth continued through the 13th century, but at a much slower rate. After the passing of the Statute of Mortmain Edward I issued licences to nine donors and Edward II in 1319 granted the canons a licence to acquire lands and rents to the annual value of twenty marks. The infrequency of grants after that date can be deduced from the fact that it was not until 1412 that the licence was surrendered as complete.³ Possibly it had been granted to alleviate distress caused by the famine of 1316–17. Another very short period of grants occurred 1342–4. From other sources it can be seen that a few other late grants were made, but the cartularies record none after 1344, except the licence to hold a fair and market granted by Edward III in 1361 (564).

From the early part of the 13th century, especially under Prior Simon and Prior William (III), the canons were attempting to consolidate their holdings by purchase or exchange. Land frequently changed hands by straight exchange with their neighbours for their mutual convenience. Small pieces of land, consisting of two or three strips, were exchanged for others in the same field but in another furlong (492). Properties of equal value in different areas were also exchanged (559). The most important example of this was in 1285 when the canons agreed with the abbot of St. Wandrille to hand over to him all their possessions in Rogerville and Sandouville in Normandy, given to them before 1205 by Earl William Longespee,4 in exchange for the abbey's property in Towcester (Northants.) and Burton Bradstock (Dors.). The abbot gave as his reasons for desiring the exchange the distance of the places from the abbey, the perils of the road, and, above all, the crossing of the sea to England (503). The transaction was confirmed by Edward I in 1296 (557). The church of Rogerville was not the only one to change hands. The church of Cheddar had been given to the canons by John the Marshal (653, 654), but shortly after 1184 Prior Matthew granted it to the dean and chapter of Wells, receiving in its place the church of Chilcompton (385).

Other property changed hands because the heir of a donor offered other land in exchange for what his father had given. Walter of Salisbury had given land at Wilsford, but Earl Patrick, his son, gave them instead the church and vill of Wilcot and land worth £12. He also added more land in compensation for

¹ CCR, 1315-28, p. 28. ² CChR, 1226-57, pp. 159-62; below, nos. 5, 6, 18, 19, 565.

³ *CPR*, 1408~13, p. 366. ⁴ *CDF*, p. 62.

their claim to the church of Canford, which had been promised by his father (566).

Other exchanges were made in settlement of disputes. In 1245 the canons agreed to give up their rights in the wood of the abbot of Stanley, over which there had been litigation, taking instead three acres in a croft in Stanley near their vaccary (115). Another donor offered ten acres of land in his demesne, of which the rent should be used to maintain the roof of their church, if they would relinquish their claim to pasture in his park that had been given to them by his ancestors (422). Another offered land and the villein and his wife and family with it, to be released from an annual payment of 5s. bequeathed to the canons by his uncle (339).

Other property was acquired by purchase. Before 1173 the canons are recorded as having bought a virgate of land in North Aston for 4 marks, together with two dwelling-houses (662). In the early 14th century they paid £40 for land in Shrewton (320), and £10 a few years later for a right of way and a drove road across the territory of a neighbour (161).

Some exchanges were made because the property had originally been granted on a provisional basis, to be held only until the donor could free the property he really wished to give. Soon after the foundation John, son of Gilbert, gave half the vill of Easton Royal until the land of Woodhill should be available. When that had been made over to the canons the whole of Easton was to revert to him (262, 263). Earl Patrick made a grant of 100s. to be held until a rent of equal value could be assigned (639). In another case a man promised an annual contribution of $2\frac{1}{2}$ marks towards the stipend of a chaplain with the proviso that, if he or his heirs should wish to assign lands or rents to the same value, the first agreement should be void (259). In 1284 Henry de Lacy granted land held by eleven villeins, together with the men and their families, until he could provide either rents or lands of equal value, or an ecclesiastical benefice (368). There were also a number of deferred grants such as a church to be received after the death of the incumbent (1, 9, 607), and land after the death of the widow then holding it in dower (34).

LEASES

From the early 13th century, beginning under Prior Simon and continuing under his successors, it was the policy of the canons to lease out much of their property, especially in towns such as Bristol, Calne, Chippenham, Cirencester, Malmesbury, and Marlborough. Some fifty leases are recorded in Stowe, but only half of them occur in the surviving portion of Vitellius. By the time of the *Valor Ecclesiasticus* all their revenues were derived from rents and the farm of their rectories. The scattered nature of their property, with the consequent difficulties of administration, probably influenced this policy.

The leases show great differences in terms, rents, and conditions of tenure: there are leases in perpetuity (577); leases for a term of years (254, 345, 572); and leases for the lives of a number of named persons (108, 208, 252, 416, 456).

Alienation was usually permitted, but only with the permission of the canons (107, 123-5, etc.), and usually with the proviso that no loss was to be caused to them. In many leases, especially in Marlborough in the mid-13th century, alienation to Jews or religious houses was forbidden (122, 219, 242-9, etc.). Four leases made by Prior Simon contain pre-emption clauses stipulating that, should the lessee be forced by necessity to sell, the canons were to have not only the first option but an advantage in price varying from 12d. to 1 mark (102, 122, 445, 452).

The provisions made for dealing with failure to pay the rent at the proper terms also differed. Where no period of grace had been agreed the canons usually reserved the right to occupy the property and distrain until they had been paid in full, unless pledges of sufficient value could be found on the premises. The penalty was sometimes the payment of double the rent (196). Later leases allowed definite periods of grace before action would be taken. In these cases the canons often had the right to revoke the agreement and reclaim the property. Grace periods varied from eight days (237) to a year and six weeks (572).

The lease of the manor of Tockenham for life in the mid-14th century has interesting features. For the first eight years the rent was merely a rose at Midsummer, and after that £40 a year for life. For the first period the lessee was to have peaceful possession until the last crop had been harvested. After that, if the rent was not paid, the lease would be cancelled and the manor revert to the lessor. Conditions are made for this eventuality: four acres of land are to be left fallowed in their season, six acres to have been fertilized by the folds, and the mowable meadows enclosed in their season. The straw and forage from the last crop are to be left for the lessor, but are to be threshed at his expense (37).

In the early part of the 13th century most of the leases concerned only land, but by mid-century houses and rents occur. Not until the end of the 14th century are there examples of building leases. In the first of these, made in Marlborough in 1380, the lease was for twenty years (254). The annual rent for the first eight years was 1d., and 2s. for the remaining twelve years. Within the eight-year period the lessee had to build a house and then to maintain it at his own expense for the remainder of the term. Failure to build within the stated period, or to pay the rent on the fixed days, would result in confiscation. Another lease was made in Marlborough in 1390 to a man, his wife, his daughter, and grand-daughter for their joint lives, or the life of the last survivor (255). In this case an annual rent of 2d. was to be paid for the first twelve years and 2s. for the rest of the lease, but the land could be forfeited if the house was not built in the first year. In neither of these cases was any grace-period allowed.

Many leases had clauses concerning the treatment of the land, the felling or lopping of trees, the proper maintenance of buildings and boundaries, the clearance of ditches, and responsibility for any burdens on the land, in some cases even for the service owing to the chief lord. In a Bristol lease the canons stipulated that they were to have the right to hospitality on the

property should they have to visit the city on business (412, 413). Only six of the recorded leases make any mention of entry fines. These vary from 3d. (215) to 40 marks (377).

The terms of the leases may sometimes appear harsh, but there is evidence that the canons sometimes suffered loss in spite of all their precautions. An interesting case, which can be followed after the period of the cartularies, concerns the church and manor of North Aston in Oxfordshire, early possessions of the priory. Inserted among the later material in Stowe is a lease dated 1484, made by Prior Thomas Walsh to John and Alexander Aune for thirty years at an annual rent of £8. The conditions dealing with the management of the land and the care of the buildings were set out in detail (372). A receiver was to be appointed to ride with the lessee twice a year to inspect the property and to collect the rents. All bailiffs and servants were to be resident on the manor for the whole term. Equally detailed were the provisions for dealing with failure to pay the rent: on the first occasion a grace-period of twenty days would be allowed before the canons would enter and distrain, but if the rent had not been paid after a year and six weeks the canons could reclaim the property in spite of the indenture. The canons appeared to have covered every eventuality, but twenty years later an unhappy sequel took place in the Star Chamber.² The same prior complained to the king that John Aune had converted hundreds of acres of arable land into pasture, that William Aune, his son, had paid no rent for two years, and that John Aune, his grandson, had paid none for seven years, had maintained the enclosures and let the houses fall to ruin. The prior stated that he had previously brought and won two cases against them but had been unable to take advantage of his victory in the courts because the Aune family had many powerful friends in the area. Unfortunately the end of the story is not known.

THE AGRICULTURAL BACKGROUND

Although no custumal or extent has survived, a certain amount of information about the agricultural background can be gleaned from the terms of grants and leases. Three things were of outstanding importance in the management of the canons' estates: grazing for their large flocks of sheep; the fixing and maintenance of boundaries; and access to arable, meadow, and pasture to which there was no approach except through other lands of the donors.

Grazing was granted, not by area, but by the number of beasts that might be kept on it, and it was frequently stipulated that there were not to be more than could be supported in winter (334). Permission was sometimes given for the canons to keep their sheep in their own folds (300, 482, 497, 618, 649). Even the headlands of the open fields were granted for pasture (664). Their largest

¹ A similar condition was made by the canons of Canonsleigh. They were to have stabling for six horses available whenever they visited Exeter on business: Ctl. Canonsleigh, p. 74. ² Select Cases in Star Chamber, ed. I.S. Leadam (Selden Soc., XXV(2)), 1-4.

flocks were kept on Salisbury Plain, near Chitterne, and at Canford in Dorset. The terms of the grants were often given in great detail. In one place the canons might have their plough-beasts on the arable from the time the sheaves had been carried in autumn until the Purification. Sheep might enter on Christmas Eve (333). There is not sufficient information from which to construct a complete picture, but the cartularies record the grants of grazing for over sixteen hundred animals, of which over twelve hundred were sheep. Surprisingly, goats outnumbered both pigs and cattle.

Boundaries were usually the natural ones of streams, trees, or hedges. If the trees were cut down the stumps had to be retained to mark the line (24). The building of walls or dykes was often permitted and sometimes actually demanded by the terms of the grant, and precise instructions given for the construction. One donor granted permission for a wall on his land between the canons' entrance and his court. It was to be made three feet thick and to extend from the nearer staple of the door of his court as far as the stream (149). Another stipulated that a dyke was to be built of earth taken from the donor's land and thrown towards the land of the canons (429, 430). He added permission to stand on his land to repair the dyke when necessary, but not to use any of his soil (430).

The scarcity of public ways except the high roads is clearly shown by the number of grants in which guaranteed access over the donors' lands to the canons' arable, meadow, and pasture is mentioned. The width of the road and, in some cases, the permitted season of use are clearly defined. One road was sixteen and a half feet wide, another sixty-six feet (64, 665). Another was one hundred and twenty feet long and thirty feet wide at one end, but only twenty at the other (61). Access was granted in some cases only for the period of hay-making and harvest, in others for the purpose of work on the land at any time of the year (64, 70, 161, 226, 350, 665). Arrangements were included for compensation should beasts stray and cause damage, but they were not to be imparked if the hedges or ditches had been defective (64).

Other rights that were granted included permission to divert a stream to the top of the headland to irrigate the land (497) or to enclose the property (24, 469, 470, 491).

While pasture is frequently mentioned and the allocation of meadow by lot (74, 179, 182, 183, 187, 485), there is little about arable except the actual grant of the land, which usually consisted of equal holdings in each of the two fields. The only mention of three fields occurs in 1344 (49), and the crops are never named. Except in two cases where the land is measured in bovates and carucates (551, 559) the land is granted in hides, virgates, acres, and perches. In Dorset in 1215 it is stated that the land has been measured by the perch of fifteen feet (372).

HISTORY AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS

At the beginning of this Introduction a few lines were given concerning the

dates of the foundation, emancipation, and surrender of the priory. A fuller account of the history of the house can be found in the Victoria History of Wiltshire.1

The site of the priory was a hill in Lyncham parish, near the township of Bradenstoke-cum-Clack. Over the years very fine monastic buildings were erected, built of stone drawn from the canons' quarry at Hazelbury in Box parish.² Much of the fabric survived until 1930, when the remaining buildings, including the guest house, the prior's lodging, and the great barn, were demolished and the numbered stones and timbers taken to St. Donat's Castle in South Wales, supposedly for re-erection, but twenty-five years later they were still lying unused.3

Little is known about the canons, and nothing of their numbers in their most successful period. The colonizing party from Cirencester probably consisted of a prior and twelve canons, and in 1539 a prior and thirteen canons surrendered the house. The names of twenty-three priors have been recovered and the list is probably complete as the gaps between dated references are small,4 but for only three priors, all after 1350, can the term of office be precisely defined.⁵ Adam, almost certainly the first prior, probably came from Cirencester with the original group, and he became abbot there in 1177.6 The most active prior was Simon (c. 1208 - c. 1243). In his time most of the purchases and exchanges of property took place, most of the leases and final concords were made, and the greatest number of disputes arose. He was also active outside the priory: in 1230 he was appointed by the pope as one of the judges in a dispute involving Malmesbury abbey, and in 1233 he was executor of the will of Eleanor de Viterio, widow of William, earl of Salisbury.8 Simon's immediate successor, William (III), also appears many times in the priory records, as does Geoffrey (I). Of the other priors little is known.9 The names of a few canons are recorded as representatives of the prior in court cases, or as witnesses to deeds.

By the end of the 12th century the canons had twelve appropriated churches, and an inspeximus made by King John in 1207 confirmed over eighty grants (565), but with the coming of the 13th century a change set in. Not only was land scarcer and grants fewer, but the original donors were dead and in some cases their heirs, sons, nephews, and grandsons, tried to evade the obligations they had inherited (80, 111, 114, 340, 543). By 1220 Prior

Dorothy Styles, 'The Priory of Bradenstoke', VCH Wilts., 111, pp. 275-88.

² Some idea of their extent can be seen in the photographs reproduced in the article by H. Breakspear (WAM, XLIII, 1925), pp. 1-9. They are reprinted from Archaeologia, LXIII (1900), pp. 225-52.

³ WAM, XLV, p. 473; LV, p. 382.

⁴ See list of priors, p. 199.

⁵ Geoffrey de Besiles, John Chynnok, William Snowe.

⁶ Annals of Winchcombe, B.L. Cotton MS. Faust. B. i, f. 20; KBL, pp. 153, 160.

⁷ Ctl. Malmesbury, I, p. 386. ⁸ CCR, 1231-4, p. 247.

⁹ Prior Henry was appointed papal delegate by Celestine III: Ctl. Bruton, nos. 283-4. The date of the vacancy 1349-50 suggests that Prior Richard was a victim of the Black Death: CPR, 1348-50, pp. 332, 565. Prior Thomas Spicer occurs in the Black Prince's Register, IV, pp. 56-8, 113.

Simon was forced to begin an active defence of the canons' rights and property in the ecclesiastical and lay courts. For many of the ecclesiastical cases the pope appointed judges, usually the abbots or priors of neighbouring religious houses (12, 13, 340, 496).

There were many causes of dispute: rights challenged or payments withheld (12, 496, etc.); footpaths, drove-roads, and rights of way (86, 669); common of pasture (64, 148); suit of mill (34) and of court (598); view of frankpledge (505); heriot (223); mortuary fees (389); sheriff's aid (599); disseisin (574); arrears of rent (111, 543, 571, etc.); and the withholding of bequests (80, 114, 340).

Disputes were equally common over spiritualities: advowsons (507, 525); church dues (366); above all over tithes, which caused more litigation than anything else. Ownership was disputed with monastic neighbours (13, 55, 541) and with the secular clergy (16, 155, 494, 496), and liability for payment with the laity (12, 388, 390).

Two things are noticeable about these disputes. One is the forbearance of the canons and their slowness to take action. One man admitted to having withheld a rent for ten years (480), another owed arrears of 30s. on a rent of 2s. (543), and a third was said to be £14 in arrears on a rent of 18s. (571). The second is that when they did bring their debtors to court the men withdrew at the last moment and admitted liability and readiness to pay (12). One vicar, just before evidence was called against him, confessed that he had no right to the disputed tithes and would in future compel his parishioners, knights, freemen, and villeins, to pay them to the canons (496).

In most cases where these disputes arose the deeds had been carefully drawn up with rights and obligations clearly defined with the object of avoiding friction. Even such small matters as the right to turn ploughs on each other's land were set out (69). Some charters state that all documents have been handed over so that the donors should have no further claim (175, 370). One man states that he has handed over his lord's charter with his own (201, 628) and another issued letters patent declaring the canons the new owners (501). Many guarantees were given, but a considerable number proved to be of little value when put to the test.

EDITORIAL METHOD

This edition is based upon the later of the two texts because the systematic layout of Stowe 925 makes a better framework than that of the haphazard and defective Vitellius A.xi. For the sake of clarity a few rearrangements have been made: the three later items entered in blank spaces in the Stowe text have been moved to the beginning of the section of additional material; the thirty-five deeds that reached the scribe too late for inclusion in their proper places, but which had been given the correct numbers for their sections, have been restored to their correct places. Their actual location in the manuscript can be found from the Concordance. The eighty-seven deeds of Vitellius that

are not in Stowe have been added in an appendix.

The considerable bulk of the material has made economies necessary. Common form has been omitted, and such phrases as 'and many others' from the witness lists and 'with all appurtenances' from the description of property. Motives of the donors, usually salvation for himself and family, are omitted unless a person is named. No attempt has been made to distinguish between 'pro anima' and 'pro salute anima'. Both forms were used by the scribes to refer to the obviously living and the probably, or certainly, dead.

All deeds are to be assumed to have been made to Bradenstoke unless otherwise stated; similarly any reference to 'prior'. The four rent terms, Easter, St. John the Baptist, Michaelmas, and Christmas, are rendered as 'the four usual terms'. Terms other than these are given. Payments are to be assumed to be in equal portions unless otherwise stated. Dates, quantities, areas, and distances are given in Arabic figures whether expressed in words or Roman numbers.

Place-names and names have been given in the modern form if known and appear only in this form in the Index. It would be pointless in the Index to include variants that do not appear in the calendar. Folio numbers are not given by the deeds but can be found in the Concordance.

Nearly one-third of the deeds are dated. With those that are not no references to dating evidence are given where the occurrence of a public figure, who can be found in the usual reference books, constitutes that evidence.

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CHURCH MUNIMENTS

- 1 [Monday 5×10 June 1174×1179]¹ Grant in alms by William earl of Salisbury, for the love of God and the health of his soul and the soul of Eleanor de Viterio his countess, and the souls of Patrick his father, Ela his mother, and Patrick his brother, of the church of Canford for the support of the canons and the maintenance of hospitality. Seal. Morters by Domfront in Passais, Mon. before St. Barnabas, after the death of Richard of Candover.² Witnesses: Ralph de Somery, Wm. of Newmarket, Pet. Blunt.
- 2 [1168 × 1196] Grant in alms by William, son of Everard of Littlecott, made with the consent of Arnold and Walter his brothers, for the soul of Robert the priest, his brother, together with his body for burial, of 2 parts of the tithes of his whole demesne at Orcheston [St. Mary], both of arable and of pasture. Witnesses: Gilb. priest of Tockenham, Rob. priest of Foxham, Wal. priest of Stanton, Wm. Malcovenaunt, Anselm. This grant was later renewed in the court of William, earl of Salisbury, his lord. Seal. Witnesses: Earl Wm., Thos. son of Wm., Wm. son of Geof., Pet. Blunt.^a
- ^a Blunt: Stowe, f. 26, has Bluet. The Vit. text omits Pet. Blunt, Anselm, and Wm. Malcovenaunt.
- 3 $[1259 \times 1267]^3$ Gift in alms by Philip Basset, for the soul of Fulk Basset of good memory, his brother, once bishop of London, and for the soul of Ela his wife, of the house of Walter Bete with the adjoining curtilage and croft in Marden, and I acre of land, Akermanestych, in the furlong called Netenebreche, which lies above la Clyve in the West Field and stretches in length from east to west among the lands of the parson of Marden, together with the advowson of the church. To be held of Philip and his heirs. Warranty. Seal.
- 4 [22 Oct. 1189 \times 12 Apr. 1190 or 20 Apr. \times 28/9 May 1193] Charter of Hubert bishop of Salisbury, granting permission to the canons to appropriate the church of Canford, given to them in alms by William earl of Salisbury, when it should become vacant. They are to enjoy all fruits and offerings, except the episcopal dues and a sufficient provision for a chaplain and for those who, through the canons, would serve the church. Seal. Witnesses: Ranulph

In 1177 Earl William was among those for whom the king provided a ship for crossing to Normandy in his train: (PR, 23 Hen. II, p. 197; CP, XI, p. 377). The charter cannot be later than 1179 when it was confirmed by Henry II (549) and witnessed by Richard de Lucy, who died in July 1179 and had retired the previous April (Chronology, p. 69).

² Richard of Candover was rector of Canford (359).

³ Fulk Basset d. 20 May 1259. The church was appropriated in 1267 (9).

treasurer of Salisbury, Master Sim. of Scales, Wal. the chaplain.

5 [Nov. $1193 \times ?$ Apr. 1195] Confirmation by Hubert archbishop of Canterbury, primate of all England, of the charter he had made to the canons while he was bishop of Salisbury.

[1189 × 1193] Hubert bishop of Salisbury confirms the canons' possessions; from Walter of Salisbury, the whole vill of Bradenstoke with its church, 1 hide in Etchilhampton and the chapel of Lake; from Earl Patrick of Salisbury, all the vill of Wilcot with its church and a salt-pan at Wandflet in Canford; from Earl William of Salisbury, the church of Canford and the chapel of St. Andrew, Chitterne; from Alexander of Seagry, the church of Seagry; from William of Littlecott, the land of Dene which lies nearest and most convenient to Bradenstoke; from Robert of Ewyas, \frac{1}{2} mark of rent in Horningsham; from William Malcovenaunt, 1 virgate of land; from Richard Cotel, 1 virgate in the vill of Lake; from Roger, son of Geoffrey, 1 hide in Costow; from Stephen of Langford, 1 hide in Chitterne, I virgate in Langford and land in Wilton worth 3s.; from Niel of Moredon, 1 virgate in Haydon; from Adam, son of William, I hide in Blunsdon; from John Marshall, land worth £12 in Easton [Royal]; from Margaret countess of Brittany, land worth 1 mark in Wilsford; from Nicholas de Hispania, 3 virgates in Winterbourne super montes; from Boemund, 1 virgate in Winterbourne.

Hubert, while bishop of Salisbury, had also granted to the canons all the fruits of the churches of Lyneham and Wilcot, except a reasonable competence for the vicars, and the episcopal dues. Seal. Witnesses: Brother Alan prior of the Hospital of Jerusalem in England, Master Simon of Scales, Ranulph treasurer of Salisbury.

Seal of the archbishop. Witnesses: Wal. precentor of London, Master Wm. of Calne, dean of Coteham, Master Wm. de Neketon.^a

- a Neketon: Vit.; Bekynton: Stowe.
- 6 [Jan. 1186 × Dec. 1187] Ba[aldwin] archbishop of Canterbury, primate of all England and papal legate, having seen the confirmation issued by King Henry II [549], lists and confirms the grants. Witnesses: Master Hen. of Northampton, Master Silvester, Master Ralph of St. Martin.
 - ^a H in Stowe; B in Vit.
- 7 26 Mar. 1237. *Inspeximus* by William, dean of Salisbury, and the chapter, of a charter of Robert bishop of Salisbury.
- 15 Mar. 1234. Letter of Robert bishop of Salisbury, declaring that, at the request of the canons and with the consent of William, dean of Salisbury, and the chapter, he has granted the canons the appropriation of the church of Seagry, of which they held the advowson, saving his right to ordain a vicarage there, and on condition that the canons sustain all the burdens of the church, and saving also his episcopal rights and those of the church of Salisbury. Seal. Witnesses: Master Ralph of Gnosall, Clement of Melkeborn, Ste. of

Mancetter. Potterne, by the hand of Walter de la Wylye, his chaplain, Id. Mar. in the 5th year of his episcopate.

The dean and chapter confirm the charter. Seals. Salisbury, by the hand of Master Rob. of Hertford, chancellor of Salisbury, 17 Kal. Apr. A.G. 1237.

8 June 1245. *Inspeximus* by Robert, dean of Salisbury, and the chapter, of a charter of Robert bishop of Salisbury.

1 June 1245. Letter of Robert bishop of Salisbury, to the canons, who had asked him to confirm their possession of the tithes of sheaf from 5 hides of the fee of John, son of Geoffrey, in Costow, and also of 2 parts of all the tithes of the demesne of William of Littlecott in Orcheston Bouville [2], which the canons have held peacefully from a time beyond memory. On papal authority, and with the consent of Robert, dean of Salisbury, and the chapter, he confirms these tithes to the canons who, that their burden may be lightened, are to hold them by full right. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Nic. de Capella archdeacon of Salisbury, Master Rob. of Witchampton, Rog. de la Green, canons of Salisbury. Potterne, Kal. Jun. in the 17th year of his episcopate.

Seals of the dean and chapter added. Salisbury 6 Id. Jun. A.G. 1245.

- 9 16 Aug. 1267. Appropriation by Walter, bishop of Salisbury, of the church of Marden, which is one of the canons' patronage. This grant was made for the furthering of their hospitality, and at the express wish of the dean and chapter of Salisbury and of John Ore the rector, who had spontaneously resigned. The canons and their successors are to sustain two parts of the burden of the church, saving the portion to be assigned to the perpetual vicars of their choice, who are to have the house where the priests once lived. This house, with croft and curtilage had been given by Sir Philip Basset with the advowson [3]. The vicars are to have all the greater and lesser tithes issuing from the demesne of John of Marden, all the casual income and altar offerings, and all the small tithes from the parish of Marden, and they are to sustain the third part of the burden. The canons may present whenever there is a vacancy, saving episcopal rights. Seals. Witnesses: Master Rob. of Witchampton dean of Salisbury, Master Sim. of Bridport treasurer, Master Ralph of Hingham chancellor, Sir Nic. archdeacon of Salisbury, Master Rog. archdeacon of Wiltshire, Master Constanciis official of the bishop of Salisbury, Master Wm. de la Wylye canon. Salisbury morrow of Assumption A.G. 1267.
 - ^a The last four witnesses occur only in Vit.
- 10 3 Mar. 1252. Confirmation by William, bishop of Salisbury, at the request of the canons and with the assent of Robert, dean of Salisbury, and the chapter, of the appropriation of the churches of Lyneham, Wilcot with the chapel of Draycot [Fitz Payne], Canford with the chapel of Poole and the other chapels pertaining to it, the church of Seagry, and the chapel of St. Andrew, Chitterne, saving the vicarages in the churches and chapels to be

ordained by him and his successors, and saving the episcopal rights and those of the church of Salisbury. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rob. of Hertford dean of Salisbury, Master Nic. of York archdeacon of Wiltshire, Sir Nic. archdeacon of Salisbury. Salisbury Sun. after St. Matthias A.D. 1252. [Printed: Monasticon, VI, p. 339].

- 11 1 Dec. 1230. Charter of Hugh [of Wells] bishop of Lincoln, recording that, on the presentation of the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, patrons of the church of North Aston, he had admitted and instituted Reynold the chaplain to the perpetual vicarage. This consisted of the whole of the altardues, the tenement and houses belonging to the church, and 6 acres of land lying near Chaldewell in the East Field. It also included half the tithes of Nethercote from the land of William Buffyn and Arnold of Nethercote, and the tithes of the 2 mills of Simon Gamboun. The vicar is to find a clerk, provide adequate light in the church, and pay the synodals. The rights of the bishop and the church of Lincoln are reserved. Seal. Witnesses: Master Wm. of Beumeword, Master Ric. of Wendover, Master Wm. of Winchcombe. Dorchester, by his own hand, Kal. Dec. in the 21st year of his episcopate.
- 12 1226. Dispute between Prior [Simon] and the convent of Bradenstoke, and Simon the miller of North Aston, concerning certain tithes, heard before the priors of Malmesbury and Farleigh and the dean of Malmesbury, appointed by the pope. After the allegations had been heard and a day fixed for the verdict, Simon, of his own accord, admitted in the presence of the prior and his proctor that he owed and wished to pay all the tithes of hay, mills, and fishponds properly due to the mother church of North Aston. The court awarded the tithes to the canons and Simon was sentenced to pay the expenses they had incurred in the case. He swore to abide by the conditions and agreed that if he should fail to pay at any time the court could compel him. Seals of the judges. A.D. 1226.
- 13 5 May 1229. Notification by H[ugh] prior of Bermondsey and H[umphrey] prior of Southwark and R. dean of Southwark, Winchester diocese, that they had received a mandate from Pope Gregory [IX], dated at Lateran 26 Mar. 1227. The pope informed them that he had been shown a bill of complaint by the prior of Merton stating that the abbot and convent of Oseney, and certain others of the dioceses of Lincoln and Norwich, were being injured over tithes and other matters, and that he had appointed the prior of Bermondsey and his colleagues to investigate.

In their presence the prior of Merton claimed from the prior and convent of Bradenstoke the tithes of the lands situated between the royal road and Merewellake and the footpath which stretches from Merewellake to Marston. Also between the royal road and the drove-road from Marston, which stretches as far as the field of Middle Aston, and divides the parishes of Duns Tew and North Aston.

It was settled that, for the sake of peace, the prior and convent of Bradenstoke should grant the prior of Merton half of all the tithes of hay of all the parishioners of Duns Tew in the meadow of Bessemore. This hay the parishioners have been accustomed to take, by reason of the fee of Duns Tew. The meadow is in the parish of North Aston and there should be no injury to their parish church of North Aston. Concerning tithes still to be acquired: if the canons of Merton wish to have half they should sustain half the expenses of collecting them. If they do not wish to do so, they may not have any portion of the tithes. For this concession the prior of Merton, in the presence of the judges, remitted to the canons all the rights concerning the tithes in dispute. The canons had one part of the chirograph sealed by the prior of Merton and he had the copy with their seal. 3 Non. Mai. A.G. 1229.

- 14 12 Mar. 1188. Confirmation by Pope Clement [III] of the churches of Lyneham, Wilcot, and North Aston for the maintenance of the canons and the upkeep of their guest-house.¹ He also grants the right to present to vacancies. Lateran 4 Id. Mar. in the 1st year of his pontificate. [Printed: Holtzmann, I, p. 536].
- 15 7 July 1278. Confirmation by Pope Nicholas [III] of all the liberties and immunities conceded by his predecessors to the canons, either by privilege or indulgence, and of all the liberties and secular exemptions granted by kings, princes, and others of the faithful. Viterbo Non. Jul. in the 1st year of his pontificate.
- 16 8 Aug. 1224. Confirmation by Pope Honorius [III] of the composition made between the canons and the rector of Steeple Aston, diocese of Lincoln, concerning tithes [494]. This had been made by the mediation of the archdeacon of Northampton and his colleagues, appointed by the pope. Lateran 6 Id. Aug. in the 9th year of his pontificate.
- 17 19 May 1184. Confirmation by Pope Lucius [III] of the election of Prior Matthew to the priory of Bradenstoke by the common consent of the chapter. He declared the priory free from profession and obedience to Cirencester abbey. Veroli 14 Kal. Jun. in the 3rd year of his pontificate. [Printed: Holtzmann, I, p. 500].
- 18 15 Dec. 1182. Bull of Lucius III addressed to William [I] prior of Bradenstoke, stating that at their request, he had taken the canons and their church under his protection. He confirms the privileges and possessions. [There follows a copy of the list of grants confirmed by Henry II [549] with the addition of two further items:] From Roger, son of Geoffrey, 1 hide in Costow; from Stephen of Langford, \(\frac{1}{2}\) hide of land in Chitterne, 1 virgate in

¹ Another copy mentions 4 more churches (582).

Langford and land worth 3s. in Wilton.

Tithes are not to be exacted from newly-tilled land cultivated by their own hands, or at their expense, or from the feed of their animals.

Burial should be free and any except the excommunicated or those under interdict may be buried there, but saving the rights of the churches from which the bodies are taken. They may receive for conversion clerks or laymen fleeing from the world. In times of interdict they may celebrate the offices in a low voice behind closed doors and without any ringing of bells. The excommunicated and those under interdict are to be excluded. In their parish churches they may choose priests and present them to the bishop and to these, if suitable, the bishop will commit the cure of souls, and they are to be responsible to the canons for temporalities and spiritualities.

Canons professed there must spend their whole lives under the Rule. The prior is to be elected by common consent of the canons, or the wiser among them, according to the fear of God and the Rule of St. Augustine. Velletri, by the hand of Albert cardinal of the Holy Roman Church and chancellor, 18 Kal. Jan., the 1st Indiction, A.D. 1182, and the 2nd year of his pontificate. [Printed: Holtzmann, I, pp. 483-5].

19 13 May 1184. Bull of Pope Lucius III to Matthew prior of Bradenstoke. [This follows the text of 18, with the addition of 1 further grant and 5 interpolations:] From Niel of Moredon, 1 virgate of land in Haydon.^a

The priory is granted emancipation from Cirencester. Canons may leave the priory to enter a stricter order. No-one is to receive a canon unless he has letters from his community. The priory and its churches are to be exempt from new exactions levied by any ecclesiastical person, and from interdict and excommunication, except for reasonable causes. No-one is to put canons into the priory without the consent of the community.

He also confirms the emancipation said to have been obtained by the intervention of William earl of Salisbury.

Veroli, by the hand of Albert priest-cardinal of the Holy Roman Church and chancellor, 3 Id. Mai., 2nd Indiction, A.D. 1184, the 3rd year of his pontificate. [Printed: Holtzmann, I, pp. 496-500].

^a Moredon: Stowe, but see 220.

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20 [c. 3 May 1190]¹ Notification by H[ugh] abbot of Reading and A[lan] abbot of Tewkesbury, appointed by Pope Clement III, together with William

¹ Made after the death of William, bishop of Worcester (3 May 1190). Hubert, bishop of Salisbury, was cons. 22 Oct. 1189. The case was heard in the period in which 1189 Old Style (25 Mar. 1189-24 Mar. 1190) overlapped with the regnal year 1 Richard I, that is, 3 Sept. 1189-24 Mar. 1190, New Style.

bishop of Worcester, to hear the case between the abbot and canons of Cirencester and the prior and canons of Bradenstoke, concerning the subjection, profession, and obedience which the abbot claims. It was settled that the abbot and canons, wishing to be free from the burden of litigation, had, at the petition of William earl of Salisbury, patron of Bradenstoke, and with the consent of the judges, renounced all the rights they might have had over the church and canons of Bradenstoke into the hands of H[ubert] bishop of Salisbury. The abbot had handed over all charters and muniments to the canons and Earl William, and had promised that should any muniments or privilege remain in the possession of his church, contrary to the tenor of this emancipation, neither he nor his successors would make use of them. The case was heard in the year 1189 of the Incarnation on the advice and with the consent of Richard king of England, patron of the church of Cirencester, in the first year of his reign, and with the consent of Baldwin archbishop of Canterbury and William earl of Salisbury, patron of Bradenstoke. William bishop of Worcester, colleague of the judges, had died before the agreement could take effect so, at the instance of both parties, the judges had confirmed what had been done in their presence by virtue of their authority, by this writing and their seals.

- 21 [3 Sept. 1189 × 20 Nov. 1190]¹ Notification by Richard abbot of Cirencester that, at the petition of William earl of Salisbury and with the consent of Richard king of England, and on the advice of B[aldwin] archbishop of Canterbury, and other bishops, abbots, and many prudent men, he and his houses have remitted to the canons all obedience, subjection, profession, and claim. Seal. Witnesses: B[aldwin] archbishop of Canterbury, H[ugh] bishop of Durham, H[ubert] bishop of Salisbury.
- 22 [Date as 21] Notification by Robert, prior of Cirencester, and the convent, to William earl of Salisbury that, concerning the agreement made between the house of Cirencester and the earl's house of Bradenstoke, they approve whatever Richard, their abbot, has done. Seal.
- 23 [Apr. $1195 \times \text{Feb.} 1198$] Confirmation by Hubert archbishop of Canterbury, primate of all England and papal legate, of the charter he had made while he was bishop of Salisbury, absolving the canons from obedience and profession to the church and canons of Cirencester.

 $[1189 \times 1193]$ Charter of Hubert bishop of Salisbury, confirming that R[ichard] abbot of Cirencester, with the consent of his canons, had, in his presence, renounced whatever right he might have had in the church and canons of Bradenstoke, and had in the presence of William earl of Salisbury and the canons of Bradenstoke, given up all claim to their subjection, obedience, and profession. Charters and muniments concerning the matter were handed over to Earl William with the promise that, should any remain

¹ Richard I inherited 3 Sept. 1189. Archbishop Baldwin d. 19×20 Nov. 1190.

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in the possession of the abbot, they would not be used by him or his successors in contravention of the emancipation. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Hugh abbot of Reading, Geof. archdeacon of Berkshire, Master Bartholomew.

This charter the archbishop had been asked to confirm by his now greater authority. Witnesses: Geof. of Buckland, Master Wm. of Somercotes, Master Wm. of Calne.

24 $[1226 \times c.\ 1243]^{\text{I}}$ Agreement between Simon prior of Bradenstoke and Sir Roger of Dauntsey, concerning a close called Linley situated between their lands, made before Sir Everard the German and Ralph Daungers, bailiffs of Sir William Longespee [II], and others. Roger, for himself and his heirs, granted and quitclaimed the close to the canons in perpetuity. They might fence it and maintain the fences without interference as far as they extend along the boundary of old trees existing everywhere between the lands. Where the boundary cannot be fixed by trees they may fence as it was formerly. They may cut down the boundary trees, both large and small, to maintain their fence, provided that the stumps are left to show the line. Both parties took a corporal oath to observe the agreement and sealed the chirograph. Witnesses: Sir Everard the German, Sir Ric. of Dauntsey, Sir Jn. of Easton, knights.

Freegrove

25 [1168 × 1196] Gift in alms by William, son of Everard of Littlecott, with the consent of Patrick earl of Salisbury, his lord, and of Arnold and Walter his brothers and heirs, of 60 acres of land above Freegrove. Witnesses: Arnold priest of Hilmarton, Rob. de Drumar', Wm. Malcovenaunt, Rog. Burel. He had later renewed the grant in the court of William earl of Salisbury, then his lord. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. son of Thos., Wm. son of Geof., Pet. Blund, Nic. Farsy, Wm. the earl's chaplain, Wm. the younger, chaplain.

Littlecott

26 [1229 × 1232]² Gift in alms by Alan Basset, at the instance of Aline de Gay his wife, of all the land held by Ethelwin in Littlecott, together with Ethelwin and all his family. To be held of Alan and his heirs, free of all but royal service and a rent of 5s. payable annually to the house of [Monkton] Farleigh at the feast of St. Mary in Mar. and at Michaelmas. Warranty. Seals of Alan and Aline. Witnesses: Sir Wal. abbot of Stanley, Gilb. Basset.

After the death of Earl William Longespee and before the death of Prior Simon.
 Predecessor of Abbot Walter res. 1229: Ann. Waverley (Ann. Mon., II), p. 307. Alan Basset d. 1232×3: VCH Wilts., IX, p. 190.

Tockenham

- 27 10 Apr. 1262. Gift in alms by Thomas, son of Simon of Tockenham, of all his manor of Tockenham with homages, reliefs, escheats, suits, and customs. To be held of himself and his heirs, rendering \frac{1}{2}d. at Easter for all services except those owed to the chief lord of the fee. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric, of Dauntsey, Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Ric, Pypard, Sir Phil. of Cerne. Bradenstoke Mon. after St. Ambrose A.D. 1262.
- 28 [? 1273×1290] Quitclaim by William of Tockenham, son and heir of Thomas of Tockenham, of all his rights in the lands, tenements, meadows, pasture, rents, and customs, which were his father's in Tockenham and Imber. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Nic. Burdon, Sir Ric. of Dauntsey, knights, Jn. of Cerne, Jn. of Seagry.
- 29 [c. 1307]² Gift by Robert Russell, son and heir of Robert Russell of West Tockenham, of all his land and tenement in the township and territory of West Tockenham. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services, and by rendering the royal service due from a fee in that township. Warranty. In exchange the prior gave Robert all the land the canons held in Lydiard Millicent of the gift of Master Geoffrey de Aspale. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Sim. de Torney, Sir Ad. Walerand, knights, Wm. of Highway.
- 30 [c. 1307] Notification by Brother Hugh, prior of Bradenstoke, that, for the good of the convent, he and the canons have given to Robert Russell, son and heir of Robert Russell of West Tockenham, all their lands, rents, and rights in the township and territory of Lydiard Millicent which they had of the gift and feoffment of Master Geoffrey de Aspale. In perpetual exchange Robert has given them all his land and property in West Tockenham. The canons are to render the accustomed services to the chief lords of the fee. Seals. Witnesses: Sir Sim. de Torney, Ad. Walerand, knights, Pet. Bluet.
- 31 [c. 1300] Quitclaim by Simon of Baynton, son and heir of Henry of Baynton, of all his right in the lands and tenements which the canons hold of his father's inheritance in the township and territory of West Tockenham, and of the marriage portion of Joan of Baynton his mother. Witnesses: Pet. Bluet, Wm. of Corston, Rob. Russell, Jn. Jonkyn.
- 32 [? c. 1260]⁴ Grant by Nicholas Spileman to Guy Doygnel, for his

¹ William of Tockenham occ. 1290 (516.)

² In 1283 Geoffrey de Aspale got the royal licence to give land to the canons (555). On 6 July 1307 Robert Russell was granted licence for this exchange (559).

³ In 1272 Henry of Baynton made a fine with Prior Geoffrey (I) (548). Peter Bluet occ.

^{1281-1311:} Wilts. Fines II, pp. 13, 80.

4 Guy Doygnel had been succeeded by Silvester, his son, before 1269: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 197.

- service, of 1 hide of land in Tockenham, that is the $\frac{1}{2}$ hide held by Nicholas in demesne, 1 virgate with messuage held by Henry de Forda, and another virgate with messuage held by Humphrey son of Pain. To be held of Nicholas and his heirs, rendering 24s. annually for all services: 2s. at the Purification, 11s. at the Annunciation, and 11s. at the Nativity of Blessed Mary. Consideration: 35s. and 12d. to Joan, wife of Nicholas. Seal.
- 33 $[-1293]^1$ Grant by Nicholas atte Hulle of West Tockenham to Silvester Doygnel and Margaret his wife, of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of arable land lying above Dodeshull, near Silvester's land in the field of West Tockenham. In exchange Silvester and Margaret gave Nicholas $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land, once held by Richard le Fry in the east part of the field. Seal.
- 34 $[1312 \times 1313]$ Grant by Peter Doygnel to William of Winslow, of a messuage and 4 virgates of land in West Tockenham. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Seal. 6 Edw. II.
- 35 8 Jan. 1313. Letters patent of Peter Doygnel appointing John Roger his attorney to give William of Winslow seisin of a messuage and 4 virgates in West Tockenham, in accordance with the terms of the charter made to William [34]. Huish Mon. after Epiphany 6 Edw. II.
- 36 1 July 1313. Final concord at Westminster in the octave of St. John the Baptist 6 Edw. II, before William of Barford, Lambert of Trickenham, John of Banstead, Henry le Scrop, William Inge, and John Bacon, justices. Between Peter Doygnel and Amice his wife, quer., and William of Winslow, def. A messuage and 4 virgates of land in West Tockenham. Plea of covenant was entered. Peter acknowledged the tenement to be the right of William, as of the gift of Peter, and in return William conceded the tenement to Peter and Amice in court. Peter, Amice, and the heirs of Peter to hold of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines II, p. 84].
- 37^a 3 Oct. 1342. Indenture between Sir Peter Doygnel of Huish, knight, and John of Cricklade, bailiff of Lyneham, whereby Sir Peter leased his manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham to John, to be held for life from Sir Peter, his heirs and his assigns, without waste, sale, or destruction, and without the felling of any tree, except with their permission. John is to render a rose at Midsummer annually for the 8 years following this agreement, and after that £40 annually for life, payable at All Saints, and to perform the services to the lord of the fee on behalf of Peter. During the 8 years John, or his assigns, are to have peaceful possession, together with rights over the houses, until the last crop is harvested. After that, if the rent is not paid, Peter or his heirs may take back the manor and retain it. Should the manor return

¹ Silvester Doygnel d. 1293: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, pp. 195-6.

- to Peter on account of non-payment of rent, John or his assigns are to leave 4 acres of land fallowed in their season, and 6 acres fertilized by the folds, for the use of Peter, and with the mowable meadows enclosed in their season. The straw and forage from all the crops on the manor during the last year shall belong to Peter and be threshed at his expense. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. Dauntsey, knight, Nic. Martin, Jn. of Langford, Jn. Wormhide, Jn. Gorgeville. Huish Thur. after Mich. 16 Edw. III.
 - * This charter and the next are in French.
- 38 1 Oct. 1342. Letters patent of Peter Doygnel, knight, stating that he has appointed Thomas le Blount and Roger le Squire, his cousin, his attorneys to put John of Cricklade clerk, bailiff of Lyneham, into full seisin of Peter's manor of Little Tockenham, according to the terms of the covenants made between them [37]. If one attorney cannot attend, the other has power to act alone. Seal. Huish Tue. after Mich. 16 Edw. III.
- 39 6 Aug. 1344. Quitclaim by Peter Doygnel, knight, to John of Cricklade clerk, bailiff of Lyneham, of all his rights in his manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham, and in the cattle on the manor reserved to Peter and his heirs by the indenture recently made between him and Sir John [37]. John and his heirs to hold of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Mauduit, Sir Ric. of Dauntsey, knights, Nic. Martin, Bartholomew of Marden, Jn. Skillyng. Huish Fri. after St. Peter's Chains 18 Edw. III.
 - ^a Not mentioned in the indenture [37].
- 40 2 Sept. 1344. Grant by John of Cricklade clerk, bailiff of Lyneham, to Master William of Urchfont, Sir Simon vicar of Seagry, and Thomas of Evesham, of his manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Mauduit, Sir Ric. Dauntsey, knights, Nic. Martin, Sim. of Seagry, Jn. Huberd. Tockenham Thur. before Nativity of Blessed Mary 18 Edw. III.
- 41 30 Sept. 1344. Quitclaim by William of Urchfont, clerk, and Thomas of Evesham to Sir Simon vicar of Seagry, of all their right in the whole manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham in the county of Wiltshire, which they have of the gift of John of Cricklade clerk. Seals. Witnesses: Nic. Martin, Sim. of Seagry, Jn. de Wormhae, Jn. Huberd, Jn. le Eyr of Rushall. Tockenham Thur, after Mich. 18 Edw. III.
- 42 8 Nov. 1344. Quitclaim by Peter Doygnel, knight, to Sir Simon vicar of Seagry, of all his right in his manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal.

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Witnesses: Rob. Russell, Nic. Martin, Wm. Warin, Geof. le Fry, Jn. Huberd. Huish Mon. after All Saints 18 Edw. III.

- 43 8 Nov. 1344. Quitclaim by Silvester Doygnel, son of Sir Peter Doygnel, knight, to Sir Simon vicar of Seagry, of all his right in the manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham, once belonging to his father. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal. [Witnesses and dating clause as in 42].
- 44 14 Nov. 1344. Gift in alms by Simon vicar of Seagry of his manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham, which he had of the gift and feoffment of John of Cricklade clerk. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Mauduit, Sir Ric. Dauntsey, knights, Rob. Russell, Nic. Martin, Sim. of Seagry, Jn. Huberd, Geof. le Fry. Tockenham Sun. after St. Martin 18 Edw. III.
- 45 2 Dec. 1344. Quitclaim by Peter Doygnel of all his right in the manor of Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham. To be held by the canons of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal. [Witnesses as in 42]. Huish Thur. after St. Catherine 18 Edw. III.
- 46 [1344]² Writ of Edward III to John Mauduit, escheator in the county of Wiltshire, ordering an inquisition to inquire whether it would be to the king's prejudice if Simon vicar of Seagry were allowed to give a messuage and 4 virgates of land in Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham to the canons in part satisfaction of the licence given to them by letters patent of Edward, his father, to acquire lands, rents, and tenements to the annual value of 20 marks [440]. The jury are to inquire from whom the property is held, by what service, its annual value, the name of the mesne lord, and whether Simon has enough other property to meet his obligations.
- 47 13 Sept. 1344. Inquisition taken before the king's escheator at Calne, Monday after the feast of the B.V.M. 18 Edw. III, on the oath of Simon of Seagry and others, to ascertain whether it would be to the prejudice of the king or others if Simon vicar of Seagry were allowed to give a messuage and 4 virgates of land in Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham to the canons. The tenement is held of Henry of Langford in socage by the service of 24s. yearly, and Henry holds of Gilbert of Testwood, who holds of the king in chief. It is worth 60s. yearly and there would remain to Simon a messuage and 6 virgates in Hankerton, held of the abbot of Malmesbury in socage by the service of 10s. a year. It is worth £4 15s.^a a year and is sufficient to meet all demands on Simon. Seals of the jurors. [Calendared: Wilts. Inq. p.m. II, p. 165].

^u £6 15s.: Wilts. Inq. p.m. II, p. 165.

<sup>This deed was made less than 3 months before the death of Peter on 1 Feb. 1345: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 168.
Inquisition held 13 Sept. 1344 (47).</sup>

48 28 Oct. 1344. Letters patent of Edward III granting permission to Simon vicar of Seagry to give the canons 1 messuage and 4 virgates of land in Little Tockenham-by-Lyneham worth 60s., as ascertained by the inquisition held by John Mauduit, escheator in Wiltshire. This property is to be held by the canons in part satisfaction of the licence to acquire lands and rents to the annual value of 20 marks which was given them by Edward II [440]. Westminster 28 Oct. in the 18th year of his reign and the 5th of his reign in France. [Calendared: CPR, 1343-5, p. 360].

49 [c. 1344] Tockenham Doygnel. The land of John le Peck in the East Field, that is, a messuage and croft of 10 acres. In la Wowelonde $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres by la Tounmede; above Dodeshull $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres stretching above la Meredich; above Hemed $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres above la Lynhull and $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres at Stanborwe; 1 acre at Middle brok and 1 acre near la Quabbe; in the marsh $8\frac{1}{2}$ acres; in medegore $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres of meadow. Of the land of Roger of Marlborough, 1 acre and 1 rood in the marsh, 1 acre 1 perch in the marsh of the burghers. Total arable in the East Field: 31 acres, of which $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres are meadow.

The land of Roger in the South Field. In Wolweie 15 acres; in Puriforlong $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres and 3 roods of headland in Grysinge; I acre in Palforlong; I acre I rood in Colebrook; I acre above Middlehull; I acre near la Redelake; I acre in the same strip; I acre in la Eldelonde; 2 acres in le Estmede; I acre of meadow in Holmede; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Castelforlang of the land of Robert le Honymangere; I acre of the land of William le Honymangere, which stretches above Wolforlang; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of the land of Gilbert de Murifield above le Medheye; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow in Bradmede of the meadow of William le Honymangere. Total of the South Field: 29 acres, $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres being meadow.

In the North Field: in le Hulwerk 15 acres; in Brademede 1½ acres; in Estrouleye 2 acres; in Westrouleye 2 acres; in la Hulemede ½ acre; in la Cleyelonde 1 acre; near la Rugweye ½ acre; in la Garston ½ acre; near Tunemede 1 acre; by Smalhangere 3 roods; 1½ acres stretching above la Medheie; 1 acre stretches above the grove of the prior of Wootton; 1 acre in la Blakelonde; 2 acres of meadow in Brademede and 1½ in la Wetemede; 2 acres in Blakelonde and 1 rood stretching about Welsielang; 1 acre in Shafforlong and ½ acre by the mill; ½ acre and 1 rood stretch above la Wetemede of East Tockenham; in Estrouleye ½ acre; of the land of Robert le Honymangere 1 acre in la Garston. Total of land in the North Field: 37½ acres 1 rood, of which 3½ acres are meadow. In la Sharpecroft 5 acres at pasture; in le Medheye 5 acres meadow and wood of the land which was Henry of Baynton's; ½ perch of the land that was Richard le Berner's. Total 10 acres ½ perch. Total of all the land, meadow, and pasture: 107½ acres 1½ roods.

Land of Robert Russell de la Heghlonde in the same township. East Field. In croft and messuage 12 acres; in la Wowelonde 1 acre; above Dodeshull 2 acre; in la Longelonde 2 acre; above le Mershdych 1 acre; by Denyscroft 1 acre; above Hemed 1 acre; above Linhull 1 acre; at Stanborowe 1 acre; in Quabforlang 1 acre; in la Eldelonde 1 acre; in la Westmede 3 roods; in the marsh 3 acres 1 rood. Total 25½ acres.

South Field. In la Estmede 1 acre; in la Esteldelonde $\frac{1}{2}$ acre ;in Quabforlang 1 acre; above Middlehull 2 acres and a long acre at Colebrok; in Palforlong 2 acres and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre above Shunelynghull, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow in Holemede, and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre stretching above Holemede. Total 9 acres of which $\frac{1}{2}$ acre is meadow.

North Field. In Heiforlang 2 acres; in la Garston $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; in la Cleilonde $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; in la Hullemed $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; above Estrouleye $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; above Westrouleye $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; in la Blakelonde I acre; and in Grasforlong $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; above la Medheye $\frac{1}{2}$ acres; in Brademede I acre. Total $\frac{8}{2}$ acres. Total of land of la Heghlonde: 43 acres.

The land of Nicholas Peck in the same township. East Field. In messuage and croft 12 acres; in Shortdodeshull 1 acre; above Dodeshull 1 acre of Headland; in la Langelonde 1½ acres; above la Meredich 1 acre; in la Balrichlonde 1 acre; beyond the road from Dodeshull 1 acre; above Hemede 1 acre; above Lynhull 1 acre; above Stanbere 1 acre; above Middlehulle 1 acre; in la Eldelonde 1 acre; in the marsh 4 acres. Total $27\frac{1}{2}$ acres.

South Field. In la Estmede I acre; in la Eldelonde ½ acre; in Quabforlang 3 acres; above Middlehull I acre; in Puriforlang I acre; in la Holemede ½ acre of meadow. Total 7 acres, of which ½ acre is meadow.

North Field. In Heghforlang $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres; in la Cleilonde I acre; in la Hulmede $\frac{1}{2}$ acre; in Estrouleye I acre; in Westrouleye I acre; above la Medheye I acre; in Brademede I acre. Total 7 acres.

Total land of Nicholas Peck $41\frac{1}{2}$ acres. Sum of all the lands $172\frac{1}{2}$ acres 1 rood. Meadow and wood $14\frac{1}{2}$ acres. Pasture 5 acres $\frac{1}{2}$ rood. Total of all acres: 192 acres $1\frac{1}{2}$ roods.

50 [? 1250 × 1280] Gift in alms by William, son of Edmund of Wootton Bassett, of 6 acres of arable land in the territory of West Tockenham, of which 2½ acres lie in the South Field in the marsh between the land of Nicholas de la Hulle, and that late of Robert le Honymangere and abut on la Portweye; 2½ lie in the top furlong on the south side, near the wood of the prior of Bradenstoke, between the land late of Richard de la Trow and that late of Richard de la Forde; and I acre lies on Dodeshull between the land of John Balrych and that of Walter Wolmere. To be held of William and his heirs, who will acquit the canons for suit to the court of the hundred. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. Russell, Wm. Quintin, Wal. Mauduit.

51 [c. 1265]² Gift by Thomas, son of Simon of Tockenham, to Henry Falewell together with Joan his daughter, in marriage, of $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land, and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre and 1 perch of meadow lying in the fields of Tockenham. In the South Field: 8 acres, of which $1\frac{1}{2}$ lie in Estholdelonde between the land of John de Bosco and that of Nicholas Quintin; 1 acre lies in Westholdelonde, between the land of Henry of Baynton and that of William, son of Stephen;

Walter Mauduit occ. 1268; Robert Russell d. 1307: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, pp. 51, 344.
 Thomas of Tockenham and Richard Pypard occ. 1262 (27), Henry of Baynton occ. 1272 (548).

\(\frac{1}{2}\) acre lies in the same furlong between the land of Hugh le Drye and that of John de Bosco; } acre lies in Estmede near the land of Gunnilda Turtel; 1 acre lies at Westeldewell between the land of the aforesaid Henry and the donor's meadow; 3 roods lie in Esteldewell on the east between the land of Richard of Baynton and the donor's meadow; I acre lies in Pathfurlong between the land of Henry de la Heoge and that of Agnes, sister of the donor; 1 acre lies in Oldemede on the east side near the land of Robert le Honeymanger; 3 roods lie above Holemede by the donor's land on the east side; I perch of meadow lies in Holemede. In the North Field: 8 acres, of which 2 acres are of the donor's demesne and lie above Blakelonde by the land of the aforesaid John; 1 acre lies to the north of le Tounmede, between the land of Hugh le Drye and that of Richard le Fry; 1 acre lies above Dodeshulle and is called la Ryeaker; ½ acre lies in the same furlong between the land of Galian and that of Hugh le Drye; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre lies in Medgore Galian on the north; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre lies above Weolande, near the land of Henry de la Heoge on the north; \frac{1}{2} acre lies above le Medhes between the land of Richard of Baynton and that of Richard de la Trow; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies between the land of Henry de la Heoge and Brademede; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies between Hulymede near the land of Galian on the east; 1 acre lies in Cleylonde between the land of Richard of Baynton and that of Ralph de la Hulle: 1 acre lies in Brademede. To be held by Henry de Falewell and his lawful heirs born of Joan, the donor's daughter, from Thomas and his heirs, rendering 1 lb. cummin annually at Michaelmas for all except royal service. If Joan should die without an heir the land is to revert to the donor and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. Pypard, Sir Wm. of Highway, Sir Wm. of Bingham, knights.

- 52 [1236 × 1271]¹ Grant in alms by Henry de la Boxe, son and heir of Samson de la Boxe, with the consent of Margery his wife, of an annual rent of 24s. sterling which he is accustomed to receive from the lands which Henry of Baynton, Gilbert of Marshfield, and Nicholas de la Hulle once held of him in West Tockenham. The canons to hold free of all services, suit of court, and all secular demands. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Samson de la Boxe, Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Wm. of Bingham, knights.
- 53 $[1236 \times 1271]^2$ Confirmation by Humphrey de Bohun [IV], earl of Hereford and Essex, constable of England, to the canons of all the land they hold of his fee in West Tockenham, and of all the rent they have of the gift of Henry de la Boxe, son of Samson de la Boxe. The canons to hold in alms, free of all services, suit of court, and secular demand, as is shown in the charters they have from their feoffors, except scutage to the earl and his heirs when it is generally levied. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Phil. Basset, Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Wm. of Bingham, Sir Nic. Lenon, knights.

¹ Witnesses similar to those of 53.

² Philip Basset d. 1271: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 62.

54 13 Jan. 1334. Grant by John atte Hulle, son and heir of Nicholas atte Hulle, to John le Kyng of Preston and Adam of Hatherop of Lyneham, of 25 acres of arable land in the South Field of Tockenham, and of adjoining pasture for 3 horses, 16 plough-beasts, 120 sheep, and 24 pigs. Consideration: 24s. sterling paid in advance. These 25 acres and pasture he had by the hereditary right of Joan his late wife, daughter of William atte Wood of Bishopstone. Alice, relict of the said William, holds 81 acres in dower for life. Of this land 1 acre stretches above la Quabbe between the land of the prior of Wootton Bassett on the east and that of John atte Hulle on the west: 2 acres lie near Eldestret between the lands of the prior of Bradenstoke on the west and stretch above la Redelake; 5 acres lie to the west of Oldestret between the land of the prior of Wootton Bassett and la Redelake; I acre lies in Estoldelonde and stretches above Oldestret between the land of John atte Hulle on the south and that of the prior of Bradenstoke on the north: I acre lies in the same furlong, between the land of Sir Peter Doygnel on the south and that of the prior of Bradenstoke on the north; I acre lies in the same furlong near Oldestret on the east and the land of the prior of Wootton Bassett on the west; \frac{1}{2} acre lies in the same furlong between the land of Philip Honymangere of Tockenham on the east and that of the prior of Bradenstoke on the west; 14 acres lie in la Mersch among the lands of the prior of Bradenstoke: I acre lies in the Westmede between the land of John atte Hulle on the east and that of Peter Doygnel on the west; 3 acres lie in the same furlong between the land of Sir Peter Doygnel on the east and that of the prior of Wootton Bassett on the west; 2 acres lie in the same place between the land of Sir Peter Dovgnel on the east and that of the prior of Wootton Bassett on the west; 5 acres lie in the same place between the land of the prior of Bradenstoke on the east and that of John Quintin on the west; 1 acre lies in Estoldelond between the land of John atte Hulle on the south and that of the prior of Bradenstoke on the north. John le Kyng and Adam [of Hatherop] are to hold the land from John atte Hulle as long as he lives, rendering 8s. annually, after the first 6 years have elapsed since the making of the agreement, payable at Easter and Michaelmas and 4s. for the dower of Alice at the same terms. Lyneham Thur. after Epiphany 7 Edw. III finiente. Witnesses: Sir Pet. Doygnel knight, Jn. of Littlecott, Jn. atte Frithe, Jn. Gorgeville, Hen. atte Troughe.

55 [1364] Agreement between [Geoffrey] prior of Bradenstoke and [Walter] abbot of Malmesbury, concerning the tithes issuing from the whole demesne of Thomas of Tockenham in that township. The canons claimed that the tithes belonged by common law to their church of Lyneham, within the bounds of the same parish, while the abbot claimed that they had been granted to Malmesbury by special right dating from time out of memory. It was settled that the canons should have the tithes at perpetual farm in return for an annual rent of 20s., payable at Christmas and Easter. If the

¹ A grant of property in Tockenham was made to Malmesbury abbey in 854 by King Æthelwolf: Ctl. Malmesbury, 1, pp. 296-7.

money was not paid at the stated terms, the canons were to pay $\frac{1}{2}$ mark of silver, as penalty, to the fabric fund of the church of Salisbury. The canons submitted themselves to the jurisdiction and coercion of the archdeacon of Wiltshire, who might compel them to the payment of both principal and penalty. Chirograph sealed by both parties and by the abbots of Cirencester and St. Augustine's, Bristol.

North Lydiard

- 56 [c. 1266]¹ Grant by Joan, daughter of Roger the cook of North Lydiard, to Sir Thomas de Gay, rector of the church of Wootton Bassett, of 2½ acres of her land in the field of North Lydiard: of these 1 acre lies in the field called Bytwenegrove, near the land he bought from Margery her sister, on the east side; 1 acre lies in la Brech, near the land Sir Thomas bought of Margery on the north side; ½ acre lies in the furlong which stretches towards Wolcrofte. To be held of Joan and her heirs with leave to alienate as he pleases. To render 1d. at Michaelmas for all services and quittance of suit to the courts of the county, hundred, and the justices, and from tallage. Warranty. Consideration, etc.
- 57 [c. 1266] Grant by Margery, daughter of Roger the cook of North Lidiard, to Sir Thomas de Gay, rector of the church of Wootton Bassett, of 2½ acres of her land in the field of North Lydiard: 1 acre lies in the field called Bytwenegrove, near the land of Walter of Ampney on the east; 1 acre lies in la Brech, near the land of Ralph le Gast; and the ½ acre lies in the furlong which stretches towards Wolcrofte. To be held of Margery and her heirs with leave to alienate as he pleases. To render 1d. at Michaelmas for all services and quittance of suit to the courts of the county, hundred, and justices, and quit of hidage. Warranty. Witnesses: R. de la Hoke, etc.
- 58 [? c. 1270] Memorandum that Master Walter le Gay stated that the canons had these 2 acres and should pay 1d. a year at Michaelmas to Joan, daughter of Roger the cook of North Lydiard, and her heirs.
- 59 [? c. 1270 \times 1280] Memorandum that Master Walter le Gay stated that he had sold $2\frac{1}{4}$ acres in the field called Bytwenegrove to H. of the Mill of North Lydiard and that H. has rendered to him and his heirs a clove gillyflower at Midsummer.
- 60 [-1199]² Grant in alms by William, son of Hugh of Hinton, of 2 minas of corn annually at Michaelmas. It is his wish that Millicent, his wife, and his heirs should make this gift to the canons every year, for the good of his soul, from his land of Lydiard.

Thomas le Gay, rector of Wootton Bassett, occ. 1266 with Philip Basset: Cat. Anct. Deeds, I, A4818. Thomas de Gayton appears c. 1266 on the incumbents' list in the church.
 Millicent, widow of William of Hinton, occ. 6 July 1199: Wilts. Fines I, p. 5.

Chaddington

- 61 [1213 × 1241]¹ Gift by Master Hugh clerk, son of Nicholas of the Mill of Wroughton, of all the land he has in East Chaddington from the lords Walter de Dunstanville, Thomas Chamberlain, and John Lovel. The canons to hold of Hugh and his heirs by rendering the accustomed services. Warranty. Consideration: 55 marks of silver paid in advance. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Rob. Bluet, Sir Ric. Gardoun, knights, Jn. Sturmy, Rob. Russell.
- 62 $[1232 \times 1241]^2$ Gift in alms by William de Burdeville, for the soul of Walter his brother, of \(\frac{1}{2}\) virgate of land in Chaddington, that is, half the croft once held by Reynold de Castello, which lies very near the main road, opposite the land of the monks of Stanley. In the East Field: 1 acre above Michenhull, which extends above Hurst near the acre once held by Adam Franklin; 1 acre above Shuthull, which stretches above the land of Sir Gilbert] Basset near the main road; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre at the foot of la Medland near the land of Silvester Lovel; I acre on the hill at the head of Langbocland, which Hugh Mesugel once held: I benland at the foot of Streteforlang, which extends above the land of Sir Gilbert Basset; } acre in Hulforlang near the land of Silvester Lovel; \frac{1}{2} acre in Sandforlang near the church of Elyngdon. In the West Field: \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre above Pylhull near Sandbelue; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre under the hill by the land of Silvester Lovel towards Horseheye; \(\frac{1}{2} \) acre in Wykeland near the land which Robert Hobbe once held on the east side; 2 strips in the east part of the croft which Roger Sweng once held near the church of Elyngdon; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre by the ditch opposite the house once of Nicholas de Salice; on the hill 1 acre in Clyfforland near the coomb which Ralph, son of Silvester Lovel, once held; ½ acre in Grosforlang which Hugh Mesugel once held; and in Deneforland 1 acre near the land which Robert Hobbe once held; 1 acre of meadow extending above the main road opposite Hurst; another \frac{1}{2} acre at the head of the aforesaid 4 acre, and pasture for 1 ox in the enclosure, for 5 beasts in the common pasture with 25 sheep and 1 plough-beast, and the green slope above the court of Silvester Lovel. To be held of William and his heirs, quit of all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Silvester Lovel, Geof. Bluet, Rob. de la Rochele.
- 63 [1213 × 1241]³ Quitclaim by Walter Dunstanville the third, of all suits and services due to him and his heirs for the tenement the canons hold in Chaddington, of the gift of Hugh the clerk, son of Nicholas of the mill of Wroughton [61]. The canons are to hold in alms. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Phil. Basset, Thos. le Blunt, Rob. le Chamberlain.
- 64 [1282 × 1283] Agreement made 11 Edward I, between Geoffrey prior of Bradenstoke, and William, son of Richard Highway, in settlement of a As in 63.

² Not listed in the *inspeximus* of 1232. Gilbert Basset d. 1241: Sanders, p. 63, n. 5. ³ Walter de Dunstanville (III) came of age 1213, d. 1241: Sanders, p. 28.

dispute between them concerning common pasture in 2 crofts called Medecroft and Wykecroft in East Chaddington. The prior, at the instance of Richard Pyg his particular friend, released to William and his heirs the common pasture he claimed in the crofts, on condition that the canons should have a free drove-road 16½ ft. wide, and passage through la Medecroft for driving their beasts to the pasture called la Hay, as often as they wish between Michaelmas and Purification without objection from William. He may not impark any of the canons' beasts found feeding in the crofts through any defect of the fencing and ditching, nor if seen entering or leaving within the stated term, nor may he keep them in his pound, or take any compensation. For this release William paid 40s. sterling. Chirograph with the seals of both parties. Witnesses: Ric. Pyg, Rog. de Combe, Silvester Doygnel, Thos. of Woodford.

Salthrop

65 [Mid 13th cent.]¹ Gift in alms by Robert Bluet for the soul of Astelyne his wife, of 6 acres of land in Salthrop: of which 2 lie in Brocforlang by the stream, together with the stream itself which extends above the land of the monks of Stanley; 1 acre lies in the West Field extending over Holbrok between the canons' acres and those of Elyngdon church; and 3 acres lie in the furlong called Neofacre, lying between the canons' land and Robert's own and which extend towards Rousedon and 1 acre of meadow which lies below la Lynche, between the acres of the monks of Stanley and those of John le Pye. The canons to hold freely with ingress and egress. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. Pypard, Sir Phil. of Cerne, Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Wm. of Horton, knights. Robert also gave 6 acres of arable land in the field of Salthrop to be held in alms, as is fully set out in the first charter and as appears in 2 charters which Robert made to the canons and sealed with his seal.² Witnessed by public witnesses.

Thornhill

66 [c. 1260] Gift by Master Robert^a de la Green to Nicholas Waz, for his homage and service, of all the meadow and close which lie near le Stanbrygge on the north and which Robert had bought from Hugh Bernard. He also grants 4 acres of land in Thornhill and a meadow called la Hamme on the south, and a perch of meadow where there was once a marl pit and a croft lying near the pasture called Inlonde, once held by William Hayl and which Robert had from the prior and convent of [Monkton] Farleigh in exchange for land he held in Broughton, as is shown in the charter of the aforesaid convent.³ Nicholas to hold by inheritance, rendering 13s. 4d. annually to

3 Not in the cartularies.

¹ Richard Pypard, Robert Bluet, William and Philip of Cerne occ. 1236-56: Wilts Fines I, pp. 26, 31, 37, 49.

² Neither of these charters occ. in the cartularies.

Robert and his heirs, payable at Christmas and Midsummer, for all services.

- ^a This appears to be an error for Roger.
- 67 8 Nov. 1260. Grant by Roger de la Green, archdeacon of Wiltshire, of an annual rent of 1 mark from Nicholas Waz, payable at Christmas and Midsummer, for meadow near Stanbrygge on the north and south, and for 5 acres of land which Roger had bought from the prior of [Monkton] Farleigh. Nicholas had held from Roger, but in future would be responsible to the canons for the rent. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rob. Bluet, Hugh Lovel, Wm. Quintin, Jn. Sturmy. Bradenstoke Mon. after St. Leonard, A.D. 1260.
- 68 [c. 1260] Grant by William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent, to Nicholas Waz for his homage and service, of all the meadow with close which lies near Stanbrygge on the north side, which they have of the gift of Master Roger de la Green. They also grant to Nicholas 4 acres of land in Thornhill of which 2 acres lie together in the furlong called Estlynghull and the other 2 in Churchweye on the north side. Also a meadow called le hamme on the south and a perch of meadow where there was once a marl pit, and a croft lying near the pasture called Inlonde, once held by William Hayl, which Roger had from the prior and convent of [Monkton] Farleigh in exchange for land he held in Broughton. To be held by Nicholas and his heirs, rendering 13s. 4d. annually for all services, payable at Christmas and Midsummer in perpetuity. Seal of the chapter. Witnesses: Sir Ric. of Hinton, Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Ric. Pypard, Sir Rob. Bluet, knights, Wm. Quintin, Thos. of Tockenham, Wal. de la Forde, Hen. de Gardino. And he paid fealty at Bradenstoke.^a
 - a This sentence added only in Vit.

Corton

- 69 $[c.\ 1232 \times 1250]^1$ Gift in alms by William, son of Ellis, lord of Corton, for the soul of Margery his wife, of the acre of meadow which lies at the head of his land in Phyppesden, to augment the lights burning at Bradenstoke during the daily Mass of the Virgin. To be held of William and his heirs, quit of services and of suit to his court and the hundred court. William and his heirs and assigns will take care when ploughing their adjoining land not to turn their ploughs on this acre as they have been accustomed, nor to trample or damage it in the course of their ploughing, causing loss to the canons. If they should do damage they will make it good without legal action. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Tibbald de Aglitaville, Sir Ric. Pypard, knights, Thos. son and heir of the donor.
- 70 [c. 1250×1266] Grant by William, son of William, son of Ellis, lord ¹ William son of Ellis held in Corton 1242-5: *Bk. Fees*, II, p. 724.

of Corton, of a free road and drove-way through his manor of Corton, to be held of him and his heirs, rendering 1d. at Michaelmas for all dues. Consideration: 4 marks of silver. In order that the canons may have this drove-way for horses, waggons, carts, and any kind of beast for ever, William caused this writing to be made in the form of a chirograph. Warranty. Witnesses: Sir Nic. of Lus Hill, Sir Alex. of Cheverell, Sir Ralph Daungers, Wm. of Tinhead.

Bubbeclive

- [c. 1220] Gift in alms by William Quintin of $5\frac{1}{4}$ acres of land and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow in Bubbeclive: I acre lies in Clyfforlang near the land of William, son of Ralph, towards the east; 1 acre lies towards the field of Woodhill at the head of the acre which Roger Sopere held in the East Field; 2 acres on la Hull next to the land of William of Cannings towards the north; \frac{1}{2} acre in Merland on the east and ½ acre in Shirevelde by the land of Richard le Kyng towards the west; † acre in Redeland towards the east and † acre of meadow in la Gore and 1 headland of meadow in Brocforlang in the south, that is, as much meadow as pertains to 1 acre. Also pasture for 15 sheep in the assarts of William and for the same number in the pasture of William Bubbe his relative, and pasture also wherever the sheep of Bubbeclive are accustomed to graze in the township. The canons to hold of William and his heirs, but if they are not able to warrant the pasture, the canons may retain \frac{1}{2} acre in the south towards the east for cultivation, if it is to be cultivated. Moreover, he grants the homage and service of Robert Quintin and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Rob. of Rushall, Phil. of Farley, Rob. Ouintin.
- 72 [-1232] Sale^a made by William Quintin for 1 mark of silver on account of his urgent need, of 5 acres of land in Bubbeclive and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow, a headland of meadow as large as appertains to 1 acre of land, and also pasture for 15 sheep.
- ^a Detail as in 71, except that the $\frac{1}{4}$ acre in Redeland is not mentioned, Richard le Kyng has been replaced by William le Kyng, and Rob. of Rushall is described as a physician.
- 73 [-1232] Grant by William Quintin. [Another copy of 71, given in full in Vit., but breaking off after the first line in Stowe]

Clevancy

- 74 [c. 1240×1270]¹ Confirmation and gift by William of Calne knight, son and heir of Reynold of Calne, of 1 virgate of land in Clevancy, which
- ¹ Reynold of Calne known up to 1245, William occ. 1247: Wilts. Fines I, p. 37.

the canons have of the gift of Philip, son of Richard of Calne, and of 2 acres which they have in exchange for a messuage, and of 2 acres of meadow in the common meadow of the township as the lot falls, and of pasture for 2 oxen in the donor's pasture, and also for all animals of both sexes permissible for 1 virgate of land in the township. To be held in alms, quit of all service. Warranty. Seal.

- 75 [c. 1240×1270] Grant in alms by William of Calne knight, son and heir of Reynold of Calne, with the consent of Richard of Clevancy, once his tenant, of an annual rent of 12d., commuted to 1 lb. of pepper, which Richard had been accustomed to pay for a dwelling-house and a messuage with croft and 2 acres of meadow which he had held of William in Clevancy. The canons are to hold freely of William and his heirs and to receive the rent annually at Easter. Seal.
- 76 [c. 1280]¹ Gift by Walter of Cirencester to William of Tockenham, son of the late Thomas of Tockenham, for his service, of all the lands and tenements of Walter in Clevancy. To be held of the prior of Bradenstoke, rendering 4 marks annually at the usual terms. Warranty.
- 77 $[1270 \times 1280]^2$ Quitclaim by Isabel Pypard, relict of William of Calne knight, in her lawful widowhood, of all her right in her dower of 2 marks of silver from the annual rent of Everard of Littlecott in Clevancy, and in 12d. annual rent from Richard of Clevancy. These are to be paid to the canons for the health of her soul.
- 78 [Mid 13th cent.] Grant by Everard of Littlecott, son of William of Littlecott, to Walter of Cirencester, for his homage and service, of all his lands and tenements which he had of the gift of Geoffrey of Bingham and Philip of Calne in Clevancy. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty.
- 79 [c. 1270] Grant by Walter of Cirencester to William of Tockenham, son of the late Thomas of Tockenham, for his service, of all the lands and tenements which Walter has of the gift of Everard of Littlecott in Clevancy. To be held freely of the chief lord of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty.
- 80 $[1275 \times 1285]$ Settlement of a dispute between William of Dodford, son and heir of Thomas of Dodford of Clevancy, and Sir Geoffrey [I] prior of Bradenstoke, concerning lands, tenements, and rents given to the canons by William's ancestors. William concedes to the canons all the lands,

² In 1297 Isabel gave property to Lacock abbey: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 219.

¹ Thomas of Tockenham occ. 1262 (27). Walter of Cirencester occ. 1320: Ctl. Cirencester, I, p. 206.

tenements, and rents in Clevancy in alms, and also the rent of 2s. which the prior used to pay for this property. He also concedes that as soon as Walter of Cirencester wishes to give the canons the whole tenement with which he had been enfeoffed by Everard, son of William of Littlecott, and has enfeoffed the canons in alms, it shall be lawful for them to enter the tenement and hold it for their own use in perpetuity. William and his heirs may not claim homages, reliefs, heriots, tallages, aids, or services, except for 40d. to the castle-ward of Ewyas, payable to him and his heirs on All Saints. Seal.

81 [Late 13th cent.] Grant by William of Tockenham to John de Geybur and Emme, his wife, and his heirs, of the whole tenement of Clevancy which he has of the gift and feoffment of Walter of Cirencester. To be held of the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, the chief lords of the fee, rendering the accustomed service of 28s. 8d., payable at the 4 usual terms, for all service except the foreign service of the king. Seal. Witnesses: Silvester Doygnel, Rog. of Corton, Wm. of Dodford the elder, Wm. of Dodford the younger, Pet. Balle, Jn. of Bremhill, Rob. Touky.

Compton [Bassett]

- 82 $[c.\ 1250 \times 1270]^1$ Grant in alms by Robert Halfknight, son of Walter Halfknight of Compton, for the health of the souls of Mabel his wife, Walter his father, and Alice his mother, of 6d. rent to be paid at Bradenstoke at Michaelmas in perpetuity from the tenement he holds of Philip of Compton in Compton. Warranty. Should Robert and his heirs fail to pay the rent by their own hands at Bradenstoke at the proper term, the official of the archdeacon of Wiltshire may compel them by ecclesiastical censure. Seal.
- 83 [c. 1200]² Gift in alms by Hugh, son of Gilbert of Henley, of all his land in Compton which Philip of Somerford sold to him for 23s. and confirmed by charter [84], that is: 2 acres of land in one field and the same in the other; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Slecforland; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Longeforlang on the west; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Wydeforlang which turns upon 4 perches of land; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre near by on the south; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Elynglonde; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Wowelonde; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Sattebroelande; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre on the middle of the hill; and 1 acre of meadow in the mead on the east. The canons to hold in perpetual alms of John Bonet and his heirs, rendering 4d. annually to them at Michaelmas for all services. Philip of Compton and his heirs warrant the land to the canons. Seal of Hugh.
- 84 [c. 1200] Grant by Philip of Somerford to Hugh, son of Gilbert of Henley, for his homage and service, of land in Compton [details as in 83]. To render 4d. annually at Michaelmas for all services due to him. In addition Hugh paid 2d. Warranty.

² His son, Walter, occ. before 1232 (182).

¹ Robert Halfknight occ. 1259: Cat. Anct. Deeds, IV, A7133.

Cowage^a

- 85 8 Sept. 1265. Gift in alms by Philip Basset at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin 49 Hen. III, for the soul of Sir Fulk Basset his brother, once bishop of London, of all his land at Withy in the parish of Compton Bassett. To be held of Philip and his heirs, quit of all suit of court and other secular services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Lovel, Gilb. Talbot, Thos. of Ardern, Rob. Butevilen, Ric. of Bremhill, Wm. of Calne.
- ^a By content this charter should be the last of the Compton section, not the first of the Cowage.
- 86 [Late 13th cent.] Memorandum that when Sir John Mauduit felt himself aggrieved on account of a certain dyke, 6 perches and 3 ft. in length, built at Cowage at the head of his meadow called Pilemede, and on account of another raise where he had been accustomed to have passage every year for carrying his hay, it was settled that Sir John should allow the canons to have the dyke at Pilemead for ever, on condition that it was neither raised nor extended towards the south while he had his meadow there. The canons conceded to John and his heirs the accustomed route for carrying his hay every year, on condition that he did not claim passage after the hay was carried. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Silvester Doygnel, Wal. Mauduit.
- 87 [1274 × 1275] Gift in alms by Stephen of Highway, 3 Edw. I, of 3 plots of meadow in the territory of Cowage: I lies in Holemede; 1 atte Pile; I atte Woodgate. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Walerand knight, Thos. Dodford.

Calne

- 88 $[1230 \times 1240]^2$ Grant by Ralph of Guildhall to Richard Cosyn of Guildhall, of all the land to the east of his house, measuring 15 ft. by 26 ft. To be held of Ralph and his heirs, rendering 2d. annually at Michaelmas for all services. Ralph warrants this land with free access to water and to Richard's plot. Consideration: 8s. sterling in advance. Seal. Witnesses: Reynold of Calne, Alex. of Studley, Herb. Peres and Jn. his son, Bartholomew of Quemerford, Rog. Aldwin, Ad. Cosyn, Wal. the miller, Wm. Pilewyg, Bartholomew of Marlborough, Wm. the writer.
- 89 $[1230 \times 1240]$ Gift in alms by Reynold the baker of Calne, with the assent of Robert Quintin, lord of the see, of all the land lying between his own land and that of Richard Crips in Calne above Kingsbury. The land is 26 ft.

Silvester Doygnel d. 1293; Sir John Mauduit d. 1303 (Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, pp. 195, 298).
 Reynold of Calne occ. 1240; Bartholomew of Quemerford occ. 1240 × 50: Sarum Chts., pp. 255, 275.

wide and extends in length from the road leading to Devizes as far as the land of William the merchant. The canons to hold of Reynold and his heirs, quit of all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Quintin, Herb. son of Peter, Wal. the baker, Ste. of Calstone, Rog. Aldwin and Thos. his son, Ste. the clerk writer of this deed.

- 90 [-1232] Grant in alms by Gunnilda wife of Richard de la Wiz, with his consent, of an annual rent of 6d. to be paid at Michaelmas from her stall in Calne, held of Osbert le Mach', which is at the corner of the house of Roger Aldwin on the east. The canons are to hold of Gunnilda and her heirs and they or their assigns may, if the rent has not been paid within 15 days of the stated term, distrain on the stall and hold the distress until paid, according to the custom of the township. Warranty. Witnesses: Arnold chaplain of Calne, Herb. son of Pet., Rog. Aldwin, Wal. the baker, Bartholomew of Marlborough, Phil. of Farley, Rob. White, Geof. clerk of Colerne, Wm. Hall.
- 91 [Early 13th cent.]¹ Grant in alms by Bartholomew Pal, son of Bartholomew Pal, of an annual rent of 2s. in Calne derived from his house which is situated between the house that Gervase le Messer once held of the monks of Stanley, and the stream called Aldebrook at the corner. The rent is payable at Easter and Michaelmas and the canons may distrain if it is not received within 8 days of the stated terms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Reynold Pal brother of the donor, Wm. the scribe, Reynold the baker, Hugh le Messer, Wm. de la Green, Andrew janitor of Bradenstoke, Thos. Harding.
- 92 [1200 \times 1232] Grant in alms by Roger Aldwin of an annual rent of 12d. in Calne, payable at Michaelmas from his tannery in Patford Street. The canons are to hold of Roger and his heirs, with the right to distrain if the rent is 15 days overdue, and to hold the distresses until paid in full. Warranty. [Witnesses as in 91].
- 93 [Early 12th cent.] Gift in alms by Reynold the baker of Calne of all the land in Calne above Kingsbury which lies between his land called ad furmam and that of Richard le Gigur. The plot measures 68 ft. in length from the land of Reynold to the land of Richard and is 52 ft. wide from the road to Devizes up to the land of William the merchant. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rog. of Clyffe rector of Clyffe, Rob. Quintin, Wm. son of Reynold.
- 94 [c. 1247]² Sale and quitclaim by Reynold Ellis of Calne and Julia his wife, on account of their urgent need, of a rent of 2d, which the canons are bound to pay them for the house situated between the house once held by

¹ Reynold Pal occ. 1240; William the scribe of Calne occ. 1240×45: Sarum Chts., pp. 255, 276

² Witnesses as in 105, dated 1247.

Ralph Shout and that of Alice la Forestere. Consideration: 2s. paid in advance. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Ric. of Goldcliff, Sir Wm. of Bradenstoke, Ralph of Upwimborne, Wal. of Shellingford, Pet. Chambers.

- 95 $[1230 \times 1250]$ Notification by William, son of Master Roger of Calne, that he has resigned and returned to the canons the land by the church of St. Andrew, Calne, which he held of them by the payment of 1 lb. of wax yearly. The rent of this land he has granted to Alexander of Rushall for life. Seals. Witnesses: Hugh, Wm., Sim., clerks.
- 96 $[1200 \times 1232]^1$ Grant in alms by Richard Cosyn for the health of the soul of Alice his wife, of 12d. rent, payable annually at Michaelmas from his house called Guildhall in Calne which was once held by Richard the palmer. The canons to hold of Richard Cosyn and his heirs with full power to distrain if the rent is not paid at the appointed terms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Herb. son of Pet., Rog. Aldwin, Wm. the scribe.
- 97 [1200 \times 1232] Grant in alms by Reynold, son of Robert Anketil, of 6d. rent in Calne, payable at Michaelmas from the land held of him by Peter and Thomas. This land lies between the land of Roger Aldwin and that of Thomas Harding to the west. The canons have full power to distrain on anyone who may hold the land at any time to ensure payment if overdue. Warranty. Seal. Witness: Herb. Peres.
- 98 [1200×1228] Grant in alms by Reynold of Calne, with the consent of Rosamund his wife, of all the rent that William of Patford owes him for the croft that he holds near Thorthull, and of all service that might become due from the croft, and the rent. To be held of Reynold and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Alex. of Cheverell, Jn. of Cherburgh, Bartholomew of Quemerford, Master Wal. of Salisbury, Wm. of Waltham, Hen. of Littleton, Phil. of Farley.
- 99 [1200 \times 1228] Confirmation by Bartholomew of Quemerford of the whole rent that Reynold of Calne gave to the canons in alms, derived from the croft that William of Patford held of Reynold [98]. Warranty. Seal. [Witnesses as in 98].
- 100 [c. 1250×1270]² Confirmation by Henry of Quemerford, son and heir of Bartholomew of Quemerford, of the gift of the north-west half of the wood of Latemer, with the land in the wood inside the inner ditch, measuring 18 perches in width by 22 in length, together with the ditches and with free access. This land had been given to the canons by Halewise Martel,

¹ The widow of Richard the palmer occ. 1236: Wilts, Fines I, p. 25.

² Henry of Quemerford occ. 1274: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 77. The charters mentioned are not in the cartularies.

his aunt, and confirmed by his father's charter. In addition Henry confirms all the rent which William of Patford owes the canons by the gift of Sir Reynold of Calne, knight, which is of Henry's fee [98]. Both gifts are to be held in alms from Henry and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Reynold of Calne knight and others.

101 [? 1190×1207]¹ Confirmation by Emme, daughter of Isabel, wife of Adam of Cricklade, of the gift of land made to the canons by her mother and on the same terms, namely that Emme and Richard Ruffus, her husband, hold the land as long as they live, rendering 12d. annually at the Annunciation. After their deaths one of their sons, at their choice, is to hold the land for life, paying the canons 18d. annually at the same feast, and after his death the land is to be free from claims by their relatives. Seal. Witnesses: Hubert Malcovenaunt, Alex. Crede, Wal. Spileman, Everard the cowherd, Everard Wagebole, Rob. Crede, and the whole hundred.

102 [Early 13th cent.] Confirmation by Robert Quintin of all the land that the canons hold in Calne of his fee from the gift of Reynold the baker [93]. To be held of Robert and his heirs in alms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rog. rector of the church of Clyffe [Pypard], Herb. son of Pet., Wal. the baker, Ste. of Calstone, Rog. Aldwin, Wm. son of Rob. Quintin, [Sim. of Stapleton,]^a Wm. son of Reynold.

a Vit. only.

103 [-1207] Gift in alms by Alexander Crede of the land that he bought from Richard the knight, of Calne, together with all the houses on it and 2 small meadows which lie near the spring called Clamie and belong to the land. He gives also the land that he bought from William, son of Ediwe, brother of Roger the king's chaplain, and Walter the cowherd, with the houses built on it. Seal. Witnesses: Master Rog. of Calne, Nich. de Hispania, Ralph Torelspilefugel, Wm. de Sarteria, Osmund the janitor, A. and W. squires, Boemund the baker, Ric. Cosyn, Rob. Sheilard, Pet. the palmer, Rob. Crede, Wm. Prinche, Godwin son of Ste., Aldwin brother of Renibald.

104 [c. 1208×1228] Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Richemannus, son of Humphrey of the cemetery steps of Calne, and his heirs, of all the canons' land in Calne which Edwin, father of Durand, held near Humphrey's tenement outside the cemetery. Richemannus and his heirs are to tender 6d. annually at Michaelmas and acquit the land for all services. If the rent is unpaid for a year the canons may retake the land without objection. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Arnold vicar of Calne, Master Wm. the chaplain, Herb. of Calne, Phil. of Farley, Wm. de Burdeville.

¹ Alexander Crede and Hubert Malcovenaunt occ. -1207 (565).

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- 105 1247. Lease by William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, to Walter Turgod of Calne, A.D. 1247, of the curtilage near the cemetery on the east of the church of Calne, to be held in perpetuity by Walter and his heirs, rendering 12d. annually at the Annunciation. They must acquit the curtilage to the chief lord of the fee and others for all services, and may not alienate the property in any way that will cause loss to the canons. If the rent is not fully paid at the stated terms the canons may retake the curtilage and all the improvements. Seals. [Witnesses as in 94].
- 106 [c. $1208 \times c$. 1243] Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, to William of Patford of Calne, Cecily his wife, and Eve, sister of Cecily, daughter of Michael of Patford, of the canons' land in Calne facing the mill, that is, the land that Adam le Swayn and later Baldwin, his son, held and gave to the canons in alms. William, Cecily, and Eve and their heirs to hold in perpetuity, rendering 2s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms, and to acquit the land for all services. If the rent is not paid at the stated terms the canons may, after the lapse of 1 year, take the land into their own hands and do as they will with it. Seals of all four parties. Witnesses: Herb. of Calne, Rog. Aldwin of Calne, Wm. the squire, Sim. of Stapleton, Rob. the janitor, Hugh the cook.
- 107 [c. $1208 \times c$. 1243] Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Richard Crips of Calne, of all the land that lies between the land of Reynold the baker, which is at farm, and that of Richard le Gigur above Kingsbury [details as in 93]. Richard and his heirs to hold in perpetuity, rendering 18d. annually to the canons, payable at the 4 usual terms. The land may not be given, devised, sold, or pledged without the canons' leave and, if it should be necessary to sell, the canons have the right of pre-emption. Reynold and his heirs will acquit the land for all services. If the rent is not paid within 1 month of any term, the canons may retake the land and everything built on it, and do as they will with it. Warranty. Seal of the parties, together with that of Reynold. Witnesses: Rob. Quintin lord of the fee, Herb. son of Pet., Wal. Baker, Ste. of Calstone, Ric. Aldwin, Wm. son of Rob. Quintin, Sim. of Stapelton, Wm. son of Reynold.
 - ^a Calstone: Calne in Stowe but Calstone in 89, 102, and Vit. f. 51.
- 108 $[1312 \times 1337]$ Lease by John prior of Bradenstoke, to William Bird and Sibyl, his wife, and their eldest legitimate son or daughter, of a plot of land in Church Street, Calne, situated between the messuage of John the reeve and a certain road which leads towards the hospital of St. John by Eldebrook. To be held by the service of 12d. a year for the term of their three lives, as is shown in a certain indenture.
- 109 4 Jan. 1338. Quitclaim by Margaret le Crips of Calne, of all her right in a plot of land in Calne, situated in Church Street by the messuage of John

Andrew on the south side. She also quitclaims her right in a curtilage, once of Walter Gorges, in the same township, lying between the tenement once of Adam le Simple and the stream of the parson of Calne. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. Blake, Thos. of Cocklebury, Rog. le Crips, Wm. the dyer, Jn. Edmund, Rob. le Berner. Calne Sun. after St. Silvester 11 Edw. III.

Studley

- 110 [1200 \times 1232] Gift by William de Chinnok for the souls of his parents and Robert his brother, of 2 acres of land in Studley which Ralph the forester held of him by inheritance. The canons are to render 12d. annually for all except royal service. The heirs of Robert are to render 12d. annually to the canons for the 2 acres, payable at Michaelmas and Easter and to be answerable to them for all demands pertaining to the land. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. of Berkeley, Alex. of Studley, Ralph de Hautville.^a
 - a Ralph: Vit. version has Randal.
- 111 [? c. 1210 \times 1220] Agreement made between Gilbert of Studley, once forester, and the canons concerning an annual rent of 12d., payable to them at the Annunciation and Michaelmas for 2 acres of land that he holds of them in Studley of the fee of William de Chinnok. This rent he had withheld for some years, but now promised on oath to pay in future under a penalty of 5s., and submitted himself and his heirs to the jurisdiction and coercion of the priors of Ogbourne and Avebury and the dean of Abingdon, who may, at the request of the prior of Bradenstoke or his proctor, compel him to pay both the rent and the penalty. The canons are to have full power of distraint on his whole tenement of Studley until both rent and penalty are paid. He renounced all legal remedy. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Alex. of Studley his guarantor, Sim. Horn of Chippenham, Master Wal. of Durnford, Hugh the cook of Bradenstoke.

Stanley

- 112 $[1200 \times 1232]$ Gift in alms by Godfrey of Stanley of the better acre of meadow pertaining to his tenement of Stanley in the field of Goley. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de Wymonville prior of Avebury, Hilary of Beckhampton, Wal. the clerk brother of Hilary, Ralph of Beckhampton.
- 113 [1200 \times 1232] Gift in alms by Matthew Turpin of all his land in Lotteburn and Brechdych by the river of Stanley. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. son of Everard, Jas. brother of the donor, Ad. Lucas.
- 114 [Mid 13th cent.] Agreement between Thomas Bubbe and the canons Thomas Bubbe occ. 1259: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 31.

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concerning 2s. which the father of Thomas had given to them in alms. Thomas bound himself and his heirs by oath to pay the money annually at 3 terms, Easter, Midsummer, and Michaelmas, under penalty of 20s. and submits himself and his heirs to the jurisdiction and coercion of the bishop of Salisbury and the archdeacon of Wiltshire who, on the request of the prior or his proctor, may compel him to pay the 2s. and the penalty by distraining on his fee of Stanley. Seals. Witnesses: Rog. Porchatz, Master Ralph of Chelworth physician, Hugh the cook.

115 22 Sept. 1255.^a Agreement made on the morrow of St. Matthew A.G. 1255, between [William] abbot of Stanley and [William III] prior of Bradenstoke. The prior quitclaimed to the abbot all his right in 2 acres of land in Costow which lie in Brodecrofte and had been the cause of litigation between them.1 He also surrendered the canons' right of entry into the abbot's wood of Alfletemore, and all right to take firewood there, or to do anything else to the disadvantage of the abbot. In return the abbot granted the canons 3 acres of land in Stanley in the croft called Acrehangere, near to the canons' vaccary. The canons are to hold freely with the right to make a ditch and a hedge, as they please, placed between these 3 acres and those of the abbot, as indicated by the bounds, without loss to the monks of Stanley. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Geof. abbot of Malmesbury, who sealed at the instance of both parties, Sir Hen. de Gaunt, Sir Hen. de Manseley.

^a 1255 given in words in Vit.; 1245 in Stowe, but this must be an error. The royal assent to the election of Geoffrey, abbot of Malmesbury, was not given until 30 Mar. 1246: CPR, 1232-47, p. 476.

Chippenham

116 [c. 1235 \times 1240]² Gifts in alms by Joan of Rowden, relict of William of Rowden, of all the land in Chippenham that lies between the land of William Thete and that of Richard le Waleis. To be held of Joan and her heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Nic. vicar of Chippenham, Thos. Burel, Alex, of Studley, Ric. Bishop, John de la Barre, Sim. Horn, Wm. son of Reynold, Ric. Blundel, Rob. of Collingbourne.

117 [c. 1230×1240]³ Grant in alms by Ralph de Stures, with the consent of Ellèn his wife, of 4s. annual rent in Chippenham, namely, 2s. from Sir Henry Harding and 2s. from the land once held by John Cheverden. The canons to hold of Ralph and his heirs with power to distrain on whomsoever holds the tenement of Henry and the one formerly held by John if the rents are not paid. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Bishop, Hen. Harding, Sim. Horn, Rog. le Tabler, Wm. la Wayte, Jn. de la Barre, Wm. the clerk.

A case of Novel Disseisin was heard at Highworth on 16 Jan. 1231: CPR, 1225-32, p. 509.

Further litigation with Stanley abbey occ. 1247 (541).

William occ. as late as 1230: CPR, 1225-32, p. 361. His will was executed 1235: Excerpta e Rotulis Finium (Rec. Com., 1835-6), p. 284. ³ Ralph of Stures and Ellen, his wife, occ. in Chippenham in 1236: CRR, XV, p. 474.

- 118 [c. 1260×1270] Grant in alms towards the maintenance of the house of Blessed Mary of Bradenstoke, by Walter de la Chastle of Chippenham, with the consent of Alice, his wife, and of his heirs, of 4d. rent from his tenement in Chippenham, which he had bought from Geoffrey the glover and which lies between the house of Richard the smith and that of the aforesaid Geoffrey. The rent is to be paid at the Nativity of Blessed Mary by Walter and his wife and heirs and, if it is unpaid, the canons may take the tenement and hold it until they have received satisfaction. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Horn, Ric. Pain, Thos. Bubbe, Rob. le Vaus, Ric. the smith, Rob. Stokac, Rog. Munro.
- 119 $[1200 \times 1228]$ Grant in alms by Durand, son of Simon, of 4d. annual rent, payable at Michaelmas from a messuage held of him by Richard Sinund and his heirs in Chippenham near Buriford. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de la Barre, Sim. Horn, Wm. la Wayte, Ric. the smith, Phil. of Farley, Wm. de Burdeville.
- 120 [1200 × 1228] Grant in alms by Richard styled Bishop, of 6d. annual rent, payable at the Annunciation, from a messuage near the king's old hall, which Pain of Chippenham and his heirs hold of Richard by inheritance. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de la Barre, Durand son of Sim., Wm. la Wayte, Ric, the smith, Phil. of Farley, Wm. de Burdeville.
- 121 [1200 × 1228] Grant in alms by John de la Barre of 6d. annual rent, payable at Michaelmas, from a messuage in Chippenham which Roger le Tabler holds of him by inheritance and which is situated in a street opposite Buriford. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Bishop, Durand son of Sim., Wm. la Wayte, Ric. the smith, Phil. of Farley, Wm. de Burdeville.
- 122 $[c.\ 1208 \times c.\ 1243]$ Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, with the consent of the convent, to Eve de la Hagha, of all the land in Chippenham situated between the land of William Thete and that of Richard le Waleis. To be held by Eve, her heirs and her assigns, except Jews and religious, rendering 2s. sterling annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Easter and Michaelmas, for all service. Eve and her heirs to acquit the land of any other service. If the rent is not paid within one month of any term the canons may take the land and retain it until satisfied. If Eve or her heirs should need to pledge or sell the land, the canons are to have the right of pre-emption and an advantage of 12d. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Nic. vicar of Chippenham, Sir Martin of Corsham chaplain, Thos. Burel, Alex. of Studley, Ric. Bishop, Jn. de la Barre, Hen. Harding.
- 123 [c. 1243×1260] Lease by William [III] prior of Bradenstoke, to John, son of Amyas of Chippenham, of a house in Chippenham situated between the gate of Richard Cheverden and the house of William, son of Reynold,

together with the adjacent curtilage, rendering 5s. annually to the canons, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. The house may not be sold, pledged, or devised without the consent of the canons. If the rent is unpaid for a month the canons may take possession and hold the house until they are satisfied, unless a pledge of double the value of the arrears of the rent is found. Consideration: 10s. sterling. Seals. Witnesses: Hen. Harding, Thos. of Stanley, Jas. of Chippenham, Ric. Pain, Ric. of Cheverden, Rob. of Kilmersdon, Rog. of Somery, Thos. of Nibley, Jn. of Marston.

- 124 [c. 1243 × 1260] Agreement between William [III] prior of Bradenstoke, and John, son of Amyas of Chippenham, whereby the canons make over to John the house in Chippenham which Thomas Irish, and later the aforesaid Amyas, once held at the will of the prior. To be held in perpetuity, rendering 28d. annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. The property may not be sold, pledged, or given without the consent of the canons, who may distrain for unpaid rent if sufficient pledge cannot be found on the property for the arrears, and the canons' proctor may enter and retain the property until payment is made in full. Seal. Witnesses: Hen. Harding, Ric. Horn, Jas. the reeve, Rog. le Tabler, Rog. the smith, Rog. of Somery, Thos. of Nibley.
- 125 [c. 1243×1260] Lease by William [III] prior of Bradenstoke, to William, son of Reynold of Chippenham, of a house in Chippenham which Maud, relict of William the carter, once held, together with the adjoining curtilage. To be held by William and his heirs by Margery his first wife, rendering 3s. sterling annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. The canons may retake the house and curtilage if the rent is not paid, and retain them until the arrears are settled. The property may not be alienated by sale or devise without the knowledge of the canons. Consideration: 3s. sterling. Seals. Witnesses: Hen. Harding, Ric. Horn, Rog. the smith, Jas. the reeve, Ric. Pain, Rog. of Somery, Thos. of Nibley.
- 126 [c. 1243×1260] Notification that William [III] prior of Bradenstoke has leased to Richard of Cheverden the whole tenement in Chippenham that John Pain once held. To be held by Richard and Constance, his wife, and their legitimate heirs, rendering 3s. sterling annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Michaelmas and Easter. The property may not be sold, given, or pledged, or in any other way alienated so that the canons are deprived of the tenement, or suffer loss. If Richard and his wife die without heirs the land reverts to the canons, who may also take it over if the rent is not paid, and do as they will with it. Witnesses: Master Rog. Harding, H. Harding, Ric. Horn, Rog. the smith, Jas. the reeve.
- 127 [c. 1295 \times c. 1307] Notification that Hugh prior of Bradenstoke has leased to Giles of Cheverden, son of Richard of Cheverden, the whole

tenement in Chippenham which is situated in the High Street, opposite the market-place, between the tenement of John of Burley and that of John, son of Amyas, which is held of the prior in the same township. To be held by Giles and Alice, his wife, and their legitimate heirs, rendering 5s. annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. The property may not be sold, given, pledged, or in any other way alienated without the canons' consent. If Giles and Alice die without heirs, the tenement is to revert to the canons, who may also take over if the rent is not paid. Seals. Witnesses: Ad. Harding, Jn. of Burley, Wm. Percehay, Jn. Turpin, Nic. Seliman, Rob. Russell, Wm. Paternoster.

Cocklebury

- 128 [c. 1240]¹ Sale by Nicholas of Cocklebury, son and heir of Peter of Cocklebury, on account of his urgent business, of 1½ acres of meadow in Esfeld, of which 1 acre lies in the upper marsh between the meadows of William Pain and that of Emme, relict of Ralph of Langley, and the ½ acre lies in the lower marsh between the meadow of Isabel, relict of Ralph^a of Cocklebury, and that of Henry, son of Alexander of Cocklebury. To be held freely of Nicholas and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Thos. Burel, Sir Ellis of Kellaways, Ric. Bishop, Jn. de la Barre. Consideration: 17s.
 - a Ralph: Vit. f. 126 has Randal.
- 129 $[1200 \times 1232]$ Gift in alms by Nicholas of Cocklebury of 1 acre in the East Field of Cocklebury and Langley in the upper marsh, near the acre of Alexander of Studley towards the south. The canons may cultivate it or put it down to meadow. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. of Chalfield, Ric. Bishop, Hen. Harding.
- 130 $[1200 \times 1232]$ Gift in alms by Nicholas of Cocklebury, son and heir of Peter of Cocklebury, for the soul of Maud his wife, of 2 acres of meadow in Estfeld in the upper marsh, lying between the meadow of Sir Thomas Burel and that of the parson of Langley. Warranty and acquittance of all services, including that of the king. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Thos. Burel, Sir Ellis of Kellaways, Ric. Bishop.
- 131 $[1200 \times 1232]$ Sale by Nicholas of Cocklebury, son and heir of Peter of Cocklebury, for 5 marks of silver in advance, on account of his urgent business, of 3 acres of meadow in East Field in the lower marsh, that is, the 2 acres which lie between the meadow of William Pain and that of Richard Galdwayn of Barrow, and the acre which lies near the meadow of Sir Thomas Burel on the east, in the same marsh. To render 2d. to Nicholas and his heirs

¹ Nicholas occ. 1236, 1249: Wilts. Fines I, pp. 25, 41.

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at Bradenstoke at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin so that they may make an oblation on that day, when it will be offered by them in person at the altar, or it will be offered by others on their behalf. Warranty. If Nicholas or his heirs should break the agreement they will be liable for a penalty of 100s. sterling to the canons within 15 days of the summons. To this Nicholas swore and renounced all right of appeal. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Thos. Burel, Sir Ellis of Kellaways, Ric. Bishop, John de la Barre.

132 $\{?1154 \times 1189\}^1$ Gift in alms by Simon of Cocklebury of 2 acres of his meadow, that is 1 acre in the East Field, held by Edwin Hert and the other by Richard Child.

Langley [Burrell]

133 [c. 1250]² Gift by Henry of Kent to the canons of 1 acre of meadow in the marsh, lying near the meadow held by John Heyswyne and the meadow of the men of Hardenhuish and stretching above Marebrook, that is, the acre which he had bought of Ralph of Barrow. To render a pair of gloves worth 1d., or 1d. annually to Ralph and his heirs at Easter for all services. suit to the hundred court, and all demands. Henry makes over to the canons the warranty owed to him by Ralph and his heirs. Seal. Witnesses: Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne, Rob. of [Draycot] Cerne, Wal. Burel.

134 [c. 1250] Grant in alms by John Burel for the soul of Iseult his wife, of a rent of 6d. from Penicroft near Peckingell,3 which is payable to him annually at Easter by the abbot of Glastonbury, or his attorney. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne knight, R. of Studley, W. Burel.

Tytherton Lucas

135 $[1250 \times 1270]^4$ Gift in alms by Nicholas Lucas, son and heir of Adam Lucas, for the soul of Nazarea his wife, of 2 acres of land in Tytherton Lucas, which lie in the field called Upfeld between the 4 acres the canons have of the gift of Matthew Turpin [? 113] and the \(\frac{1}{2} \) acre of Parnel, relict of Thomas Burel, towards the south. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Mat. Turpin, Ellis of Kellaways, Rob. Bampton.

A gift to Stanley abbey made by Simon and Peter, his son, was confirmed by Richard I: CChR, I, pp. 38-9. The abbey was founded 1154: KH, p. 114.
 Henry of Kent occ. 1249: Civil Pleas, p. 82.
 John Burel sold a croft in Langley Burrell, called Penicroft, c. 1240 to Abbot Michael of Clark thereof the Conference of the

Glastonbury for an annual rent of 6d.: Ctl. Glastonbury, III, pp. 662-3.

⁴ Nicholas Lucas occ. 1258: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 31.

Christian Malford

- 136 6 May 1329. Grant by Adam Walerand, son and heir of Sir John Walerand of Blunsdon, to Sir Richard atte More of Wanborough and Henry de Heigarston, chaplain, of all his meadow in Christian Malford, which he has of the gift and feoffment of William of Middlehope. This meadow lies near the River Avon by the weir of the prior's mill, between the prior's meadow and the one that was Adam Highway's. To be held freely by inheritance from the lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Christian Malford Sat. after Invention of Holy Cross 3 Edw. III.
- 137 7 May 1329. Notification by Adam Walerand, son and heir of Sir John Walerand of Blunsdon, knight, that he has appointed Nicholas Walerand his son, parson of the church of Dauntsey, to put Richard atte More of Wanborough and Henry de Heigarston, chaplain, into full seisin of all the meadow he has in Christian Malford of the feoffment of William of Middlehope. He will confirm anything that Nicholas may do in his name in accordance with his charter to Richard and Henry [136]. Lyneham Sun. after St. John at the Latin Gate 3 Edw. III.
- 138 29 Sept. 1331. Quitclaim by John Walerand, son and heir of Adam Walerand, knight, to Sir Richard atte More of Wanborough and Henry de Heigarston, chaplain, of all his rights, present and future, in the meadow that the canons hold in Christian Malford of the gift and feoffment of Adam his father [136]. Warranty. Christian Malford Mich. 5 Edw. III.
- 139 4 Mar. 1337. Mandate of Edward III to William Trussel, escheator this side Trent, to inquire whether it would be to the king's prejudice if Richard atte More of Wanborough were allowed to give the canons 9 acres of meadow in Christian Malford, in part satisfaction of the licence which Edward, his father, had given them to acquire tenements and rents to the annual value of 20 marks [440]. Witnessed by the king at Westminster 4 Mar. in the 11th year of his reign.
- 140 [4 Mar. \times 9 Oct.] 1337. Inquisition taken before the king's escheator by the oath of Simon of Seagry and others. It was found that it would not be to the prejudice of the king or others if Richard atte More of Wanborough were to give the canons 9 acres of meadow in Christian Malford, in part satisfaction of the licence given to them by Edward II to acquire lands, rents, and tenements to the annual value of 20 marks [440]. The meadow is held of the prior by the service of Id. rent, payable annually at Michaelmas, and the prior holds of Adam Walerand, and he of the king in chief. The meadow is valued at 18s., that is, at 2s. per acre, and the prior is the me. ne between the king and

¹ Mandate issued 4 Mar. 1337 (139). Licence issued 9 Oct. 1337: CPR, 1334-8, p. 538. The cartulary copy is dated 12 Oct. 1337 (563).

- Richard. Beyond this gift Richard retains land worth 100s. in Blunsdon, Wiltshire, which is sufficient to discharge his obligations on the meadow and other lands of his.
- 141 8 May 1329. Acknowledgment by Richard de la More of Wanborough and Henry of Heigarston that they are bound to pay 40s. annually to the canons at Michaelmas and Easter in equal portions, from a certain meadow, once Sir Adam Walerand's, which lies near Christian Malford. For the faithful payment of this sum they submit themselves and their meadow to the distraint of the canons and their successors. Bradenstoke Mon. after St. John at the Latin Gate 3 Edw. III.
- 142 9 May 1329. Indenture recording that Richard de la More of Wanborough and Henry de Heigarston are bound to the canons and their successors in 40s. sterling annually, payable at Michaelmas and Easter from a certain meadow which was once Sir Adam Walerand's, and which lies near Christian Malford [141]. The canons undertake for themselves and their successors that as soon as they have been enfeoffed of this meadow, which Richard and Henry hold of the gift and enfeoffment of Sir Adam Walerand, knight, and have been given peaceful seisin, then the bond concerning the annual rent of 40s. shall be cancelled and Richard and Henry quit of the rent. Bradenstoke Tue, after St. John at the Latin Gate 3 Edw. III.
- 143 [1329 \times 1357] Quitclaim by Henry de Heigarston, chaplain, to Richard atte More of Wanborough, of all his right in the whole meadow in Christian Malford in the county of Wiltshire, which was once of Sir Adam Walerand, knight, and which lies near the River Avon by the weir of the canons' mill, between their meadow and the meadow formerly held by Adam of Highway. Seal.
- 144 [c. 1337] Gift in alms by Richard atte More of Wanborough of all his meadow in Christian Malford which he has of the gift and feoffment of Adam Walerand, knight. [Meadow described as in 143]. It is granted quit of all services and with free right of way.
- 145 29 Dec. 1342. Quitclaim by Thomas of Middlehope, lord of Surrendell, to Brother Richard, prior of Bradenstoke, of all his right in 12 acres of meadow in Christian Malford. Warranty. Seal. Bradenstoke Sun. after Christmas 16 Edw. III.
- 146 29 Dec. 1342. Acknowledgment by Thomas of Middlehope, lord of Surrendell, that he is bound by this writing to pay the prior of Bradenstoke, or his attorney, £40 sterling at Michaelmas next after the making of this deed. He binds himself, his heirs, and his executors, to pay at the stated time and place. Bradenstoke Sun. after Christmas 16 Edw. III.

- 147 31 Dec. 1342. Indenture made between the prior of Bradenstoke and Thomas of Middlehope, lord of Surrendell, stating that although Thomas is bound by the bond between them to pay £40, the prior concedes for himself and his successors that, if Thomas should follow up his writ of formedon against the prior, seeking from him 12 acres of meadow in Christian Malford, with the consent of the parties and at the expense of the prior, and if it should be found by the jurors that Margery of Chadnor did not give the aforesaid meadow to Richard of Middlehope as a marriage portion with Amice, her daughter, as Thomas maintains, then this bond should thereafter be considered null and quashed by this indenture. Seal. Bradenstoke Tue. after Christmas 16 Edw. III.
- 148 22 June 1241. Trin. in 4 weeks 25 Hen, III. Final concord made in the king's court at Wilton, before Robert of Lexington, Ralph de Sullegh, William of Culworth, Jollan de Neville, and Robert de Haye, justices itinerant, between Michael abbot of Glastonbury, quer., and Simon prior of Bradenstoke, deforc., concerning common of pasture in Christian Malford. abbot complained that the prior unjustly demanded common of pasture in the land of the abbot, although he had none in the land of the prior, nor did the prior perform any service by which he might justify his claim. It was settled that the prior should have common of pasture in the wood of Christian Malford for 4 oxen, 20 cows, 2 bulls, 20 pigs, 60 goats, and 100 sheep. the abbot should make an enclosure in the wood to the south of the brook running in front of the prior's houses, then the prior should be allowed 4 oxen as before, with the abbot's oxen, 20 cows, and 2 bulls with the abbot's cows and other beasts within the enclosure, and 20 pigs throughout the wood, except in the close season and at the time of pannage, and 60 goats on the north side of the highway between Bradenstoke and Christian Malford, and 100 sheep to the north and to the south of the road from the prior's houses to the brook. The prior to hold of the abbot, rendering \(\frac{1}{2} \) mark yearly, payable at Michaelmas and Easter, and to abandon all claims concerning past exclusion from the pasture. [Printed: Ctl. Glastonbury, I, pp. 210-11. Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 35].
- 149 [-1232] Gift by Silvester Lovel, in addition to the mill, lands, and other grants given by Ralph Lovel, his father, in Christian Malford [150, 151], of all the little meadow which is below the garden, between the fence and the bigger stream; of all the land below the mill and above. just as it stretches in length and breadth between the stream and the upper bank of his meadow; of all the little meadow which lies at the head of Middlecombe towards the south and is called Melsom; of all the meads he has in the Northmede in Brokherne in Chelwardham; and of all the reed-bed above the mills, between the stream and the ditch, together with the ditch made between the field and the reed-bed on the north, both above and below the ford, as shown by the ditch. He quitelaims for himself and his heirs all rent due to them from the mills of Christian Malford, together with the site of the mills. In addition he gives

the watercourses issuing on his land everywhere, both through the mills and through the mill-races, and the accustomed access to the mills. He also grants permission to build a wall on his land between their entrance and exit and his court, of a width of 3 ft., and extending from the nearer staple of the door of the court as far as the stream that divides his court and their access-road. He also grants the messuage and all the land which Roger Frank once held at Melksham towards Beanacre. To be held of him and his heirs quit of all service, but reserving free passage for his men going on foot to his meadow above the road. Warranty. Seal.

- 150 [-1207] Gift in alms by Ralph Lovel of Clive, with the consent of Juette, his wife, and Silvester, his son and heir, of his mill at Christian Malford with the watercourses, and the hamlet called Middlecombe, and land lying between the gate and the water enclosed by a ditch, for the building of a dwelling house. To be held by the canons free from all services. His other tenement is retained to enable him and his heirs to discharge the service due to the church of Glastonbury. Seal.
- 151 [-1207] Grant in alms by Ralph Lovel, with the consent of Juette, his wife, and of his heirs, of a rent of 5s. derived from a virgate of land in Petsaga, together with the homage and service of Roger, son of Osmund, and his heirs. The rent is payable at Christmas, the Annunciation, Midsummer, and Michaelmas. Seal.
- 152 [1200×1220] Confirmation by Silvester Lovel, son of Ralph Lovel, of the gift made to the canons by his father for the soul of Juette his wife, mother of Silvester, of the mill of Christian Malford and its appurtenances, which Ralph had plainly assigned in his charter [150].
- 153 [1200×1220] Confirmation by Silvester Lovel. [As 152, but adds:] Rendering to Silvester and his heirs 2 gilt spurs or 6d. annually at Easter for all services.
- 154 31 Mar. 1287. Letters patent from J[ohn] abbot of Glastonbury to W[illiam] abbot of Malmesbury, appointing him his attorney to put the prior of Bradenstoke into full seisin of the suit of mill of the abbot's men of Glastonbury to the prior's mill in Christian Malford, as before. Seal. Glastonbury Prid. Kal. Apr. A.G. 1287.1

[1286 × 1287] The tenants of the abbot owing suit at the time of the dispute over multure, 15 Edw. I: William Vu ..., Michael le May, Clement Berwick, John of Berwick, Adam Cley, Thomas Bullock, Agnes Coleman,

An abstract of the reply of the abbot of Malmesbury to this letter, dated 5 Apr. 1287, and a memorandum dated 9 Apr. 1287, recording that W., prior of Bradenstoke, had sworn fealty to the abbot of Glastonbury through representatives, after refusing many times, occ. in Ctl. Glastonbury, 11I, p. 667.

John Bannot, Agnes la Yonge, John of Seagry, John Godchild, Adam Drenge, William Corbyn, Adam Pye, Robert le Walkere, John the skinner, Nicholas of Berwick, Thomas le Moke, Adam Durlyng, Maud Corbyn, William Baty, Arnulf Vyel, Thomas atte Forlange, Adam Mussheron, Adam Ailwin, Michael Passemer, Adam Bannot, Robert Alisaundre, Roger le Stur, Richard Bonenfant, John Bubbyng, Alice Dodford, William le Slegh, Christine of Purton, Roger Kymeld, Gillian Suteres, Adam Swayn, Walter Fancus, William Newman, Isabel relict of Thomas, Walter Ricard, John le Sone, John atte Pleifelde, Adam Petit, Walter Seliman, Thomas le Coc, Ellis Browle, Maud le Brigwrht, William le Gnat, Thomas Durlyng, Ellis Hulweyn.

155 Nov. 1252. Inspeximus and ratification by William bishop of Bath and Wells, the prior and convent of Bath, and the dean and chapter of Wells, of a composition made between Robert, rector of Christian Malford, Salisbury diocese, actorem, and the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, reos.

7 June 1236. Composition made between R., rector of Christian Malford, and the canons, before the abbot of Evesham with the chancellor and the dean of Oxford, appointed by the pope. Robert had sought the tithes of 2 mills which the canons have in his parish of Christian Malford; the tithes of 2 meadows called Muleham and Scyrevemede; the tithes on the feed of the canons' beasts which graze in the parish; and the tithes of 1 virgate of land in which the prior's withy bed lies. These he sought as the right of the mother church of Christian Malford. The rector withdrew his action and for the sake of peace the prior paid him, not only for arrears but for legal expenses, 50s. less 8d., half to be paid that day and the other half within 15 days. On all other points the contestants were to adhere to the old composition between them.

1 July 1229. Composition made before Master Humphrey de Mylleis, Master Nicholas of Evesham, Master R. de Bunewell, Master Clement de Melchburn, Master W. of Warminster, Master Richard of Stanford, John de Herlane, Robert de Cusyntona clerks, Richard of Hurstbourne layman, between Robert, rector of Christian Malford, and the canons, concerning the tithes of 2 mills then being built in the parish [other tithes as above]. It was decided that the canons should pay Robert 16s. of silver annually, payable at Easter and Michaelmas, on account of all the aforesaid tithes. The clause allowing Robert to renew the action was to be omitted. Both parties promised to observe the agreement and applied their seals along with those of the judges. Oxford Sun. after St. Peter and St. Paul 1229.

The new composition confirmed the terms of the old and added a penalty of 2 besants to be paid in addition to the principal. Sat. before St. Barnabas 1236.

The rector swore before the judges to keep the agreement and the prior paid him 5 marks 16s. on condition that the 50s. less 8d. was reckoned in the amount. Both parties and the judges added their seals. Witnesses: John of St. Peter, Oxford, John de Cancell, John of Barford, L. the chaplain, W. the chaplain, Henry the clerk. This composition was approved by the judges, the tithes and the church being at the disposal of the bishops of Bath and

Wells. Nov. 1252. [Calendared: HMC Wells, I, p. 478].

- ^a John de Herlane, Robert de Cusynton: *HMC Wells, I, p. 478, has* John de Bereland, Robert de Sulinton.
- 156 [1247 \times 1256] Inspeximus by William, bishop of Salisbury, and the dean and chapter, of the composition made between Robert, rector of Christian Malford, Salisbury diocese, and the prior and convent of Bradenstoke on 7 June 1236. The bishop approves and confirms this composition as set out in the instrument sealed with the seals of the bishop of Bath and Wells and the chapters of these places, patrons of the church of Christian Malford. Seal.

Seagry

- 157 [? mid 14th cent.] Memorandum that the prior of Bradenstoke holds the fourth part of a knight's fee of the fee of Barnsley, which Sir Thomas of Bradeston holds of the gift of the king. To render 10s. annually at 2 terms for all services. Likewise John and Robert Sturmy hold another fourth part of the same fee by homage and fealty, and owe heriot, ward-service, marriages, and reliefs. John for his part pays 6s. 6d. a year: 2s. 6d. at Michaelmas, 2s. on St. Andrew's day, and 2s. on St. Aldhelm's day, and he and his tenants pay scutage when it is levied. Robert pays 6s. and 1 lb. of cummin at the same terms, and 4s. for scutage.
- 158 $[1210 \times 1230]$ Gift in alms by Ellis Burel of Seagry, of all his land in Lower and Upper Seagry, except for the messuage with adjoining croft which he is retaining for the use of himself and his heirs and assigns. To be held free of all services and suit to his court or the hundred court. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Anselm of St. Quintin, Ad. de la Mare, Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne, Ad. of Clapcote, Pain Harold, [John Harold], Ric. Marshall, Rob. de Wydecoumbe.
 - a John Harold: Vit. version only.
- 159 $[1210 \times 1224]^2$ Gift in alms by John de Cockerel of all his demesne in Upper Seagry, to be held of him and his heirs for an annual rent of 10s., payable at the Annunciation and Michaelmas for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. of Pershore chamberlain of Evesham, Godf. of Bradwell, Pet. de Lych, Jn. de Sesudun, Wm. Chambers, Wm. de Cockerel brother of the donor, Silvester Lovel, Ric. son of Ralph, Wal. de Bec, Phil. of Farley, Wm. de Burdeville.
- 160 [1246 imes 1260] Confirmation by Humphrey de Bohun [IV], earl of

¹ Thomas de Bradeston d. 25 Aug. 1360: Wilts. Inq. p.m., II, p. 262.

² The widow of John Cockerel claimed dower in 1224: Wilts. Fines I, p. 13.

Hereford and Essex, constable of England, of all the land the canons hold in Upper and Lower Seagry which was given to them by William Chambers and Felice his wife, John Chambers and Alice Cockerel his wife, daughter and heiress of Ralph Cockerel, and by John de Brome, as shown in the charters of feoffment which they have of the aforesaid donors. The canons owe foreign service. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Geof. abbot of Malmesbury, Miles of Morley steward of Earl Humphrey, Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne, Jn. of Easton, knights, Sim. of Seagry, Jn. S u my, Wm. Bailemond, Rob. of Kilmersdon, Rob. Hales clerk of Earl Humphrey and writer of this deed.

- 161 [c. 4 Apr. 1319] Sale by John Russell of Upper Seagry of a road and a right of way across his land, between the land of the lord of Lower Seagry and John's croft in the field called Hungerdoune above Shitarshull. The road is 120 ft. long and 30 ft. wide at one end and 20 ft. at the other, and the canons are to have free ingr ss and egress for driving carts, waggons, and beasts. Consideration: £10 of silver paid in advance. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. Sturmy, Ric. Bailemond.
- 162 4 Apr. 1319. Notification by John Russell of Upper Seagry that he has received £10 sterling from the canons for a certain drove-way across his land, as is more plainly shown in the document he made to the canons [161]. If they should lose this road he binds himself and his heirs and executors by this present writing, and by the pledge of all his chattels, to return the £10 within a year of the loss. For the greater security of the payment he submits himself and all his lands, tenements, and goods to the coercion of some ecclesiastical or lay judge, who may compel or distrain him to make the payment. Seal. Seagry 4 Apr. 12 Edw. II.
- 163 $[1150 \times 1193]$ Grant in alms by Alexander of Seagry of the church of Seagry. Seal.
- 164 [1182 \times 1193] Gift by Alexander of Seagry of the place called Sechdewell in which there once were a fishpond and a mill. The canons may rebuild either, or both. If they wish to repair the mill they may build a mill house on the adjoining half-acre. These are to be held freely with meadow, roads, footpaths, and all liberties. Seal.
- 165 [1182 \times 1193] Confirmation by Walter of Clifford of the gift of the church of Seagry in alms made to the canons by Alexander of Seagry and shown in the charter of Alexander which the canons hold [163].
- 166 [1182 \times 1193] Notification by Walter of Clifford that he has approved and endorsed the gift of a place called Sechdewell to the canons, made by Alexander of Seagry, with all its liberties, as shown in his charter [164].

¹ No charter of John de Brome is in the cartularies.

- 167 [Late 12th cent.] Confirmation in alms by Simon of Seagry, son of Alexander of Seagry, of his father's gift to the canons of the church of Seagry, which is of his fee. Seal.
- 168 [1194 \times 1217] Notification by T. de Cobham, official of H[erbert] bishop of Salisbury, that, on the authority of the bishop, he has assigned to the prior of Bradenstoke, whom the bishop has personally instituted as parson of the church of Seagry, in the name of his house, 40s. a year from the church to be paid to the perpetual vicars to be instituted there, namely 20s. at Easter and 20s. at Michaelmas. These vicars, presented by the canons and instituted by the bishop, should have the church and all its appurtenances by paying the original pension to the canons, and should support the episcopal charges. Seal. Witnesses.
- 169 [1194 \times 1217] Letter from Master T. de Cobham, official of the lord of Salisbury, to Master R. archdeacon of Wiltshire, informing him that the bishop, having examined the rights of the canons in the church of Seagry, established by many charters, personally admitted the prior to the parsonage in the presence of Sir M. of Lavington. The prior was to take 40s. a year from the church in the name of his parsonage, and all the rest was to fall to the use of the perpetual vicar serving the church. The archdeacon is ordered on the authority of the bishop to put the prior into possession of the church.
- 170 [-1193] R. archdeacon of Wiltshire announces that Simon of Seagry, son of Alexander of Seagry, has, in his presence, granted and confirmed to the canons the church of Seagry, which is in his archdeaconry. The canons are to hold in alms in accordance with the charters made to them by the aforesaid Alexander of Seagry [163], Simon his son [167], and Walter de Clifford their advocate [165]. Seal.
- 171 [c. 1193×1203] Mandate of R. archdeacon of Wiltshire to W. dean of Malmesbury, instructing him to go to the church of Seagry as soon as possible, to induct the prior of Bradenstoke into corporal possession of the rectory of the church in accordance with the instructions in the letter of Master T. de Cobham official of the bishop, which the archdeacon has received and now forwards to the dean for his inspection.
- 172 [-1207] Gift in alms by W. de Cockerel of the first of three acres of meadow pertaining to his meadow in Seagry, which lies among the meadow of his men near Dodford. To be held of him and his heirs, free of all service.
- 173 [1236 \times 1271]¹ Quitclaim by Humphrey de Bohun [IV], earl of Hereford and Essex, constable of England, of all suit owed to his court of Farley for the lands held of his fee by the canons in Upper and Lower Seagry,

¹ Philip Basset d. 1271: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 62.

which had been given to them by William Chambers and Felice his wife, John Chambers and Alice his wife, daughter and heiress of Ralph Cockerel, and by John de Brome. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Phil. Basset, Wm. of Calne, Wm. of Bingham, Jn. of Easton, knights, Hen. of Mauley, Master Rog. of Gloucester, Thos. of Dodford, Jn. Sturmy, Rob. Sturmy.

174 [Mid 13th cent.] Notification by Simon of Seagry, son and heir of Simon of Seagry, that he has heard and understood the charter made to the canons by Ellis Burel concerning a tenement in Upper and Lower Seagry [158 cited verbatim], held by Simon. This charter he approves, and records that in future neither he nor his heirs may claim service from the tenement. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. de Easton, Sir Wm. of Calne, Sir Ric. Pypard, knights, Jn. Sturmy, Rob. of Kilmersdon, Ralph Roilli, Hen. of Baynton, Thos. and Hugh of Dodford, Wm. Spileman, Hakecillus of Cherhill.

175 [-1232] Sale by William Chambers for 100s., of all his land in Upper Seagry which he once held of John de Cokerel. To be held of John and his heirs, rendering 10s. annually, payable at the Annunciation and Michaelmas for all except royal service. William and his heirs can make no claim on the land and have warranted it to the canons and have handed over to them all the documents and made them this charter. Witnesses: Sir Jn. chamberlain of Evesham, Geof. and David chaplains of the church of Lechlade, Jn. and Rob. brothers of the vendor, Silvester Lovel, Rob. Sturmy, Wm. de Burdeville.

176 [1246 \times 1260] [Another copy of 160, but lacking the name Rob. of Kilmersdon].

177 [c. 1240×1250]¹ Confirmation by Robert of Sherborne, son and heir of Walter of Sherborne and Alice Cockerel, wife of Walter, of all the canons' rights in 6 virgates of land in Upper and Lower Seagry, in accordance with the terms of the chirograph made in the king's court on 1 July 1236, between Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, and John Chambers and Alice his wife, mother of Robert [534], and between the prior and William Chambers and Felice his wife [533]. Robert reserves to himself and his heirs rights and possession of the lands and rents in these townships which he had gained in the king's court at Wilton in 25 Henry III before Robert of Lexington and his colleagues. The lands consist of: 1 virgate which Richard Skyn held and 1 virgate which Richard of Wootton held, both in Upper Seagry, and the rents of 8s. from the land of William Paternoster and 3s. 6d. from 2 messuages in the same township. He also reserves lands and rents to be acquired in the future, without loss to the canons. Consideration: 3 marks of silver. Witnesses: Master Rob. of Lavington, Sim. of Seagry, Reynold of Somerford, Ralph of Startley, Edm. of Banbury, Wm. Bailemond, Ad. Sturmy, Ric. Blundel clerk, Wm. of Nabal's.

¹ William Paternoster occ. 1249: Civil Pleas, p. 110.

178 [c. 1250] Gift by Amice, daughter of Richard le Skyn of Seagry, of her whole messuage situated between the house of John Sturmy, son of John Sturmy, and her curtilage, which lies between the curtilages of John Sturmy and of Maud her sister; and the fardel belonging to her curtilage which lies between the land of Maud and that of Simon of Seagry; and 4 acres of arable land in Seagry: of which \(\frac{1}{2} \) acre lies above Hungerdoune between the land of John of Wanborough and that of William le Skyn; I fardel lies in Cattesthorne between the land of William le Skyn and that of Maud; I fardel lies near le Coppedeheye between the land of William le Skyn and that of Maud; \frac{1}{2} acre lies below the croft of Henry de la Boxe between the land of Maud and that of Edith her sister; 13 acres lie atte Shortelonde between the lands of John Sturmy: 4 acre lies in Medforlang between the land of John Sturmy and that of John of Wanborough; 1 acre lies in Mereforlang between the land of John of Wanborough and that of Henry de la Boxe; } acre of meadow in Hesmede, and all her meadow in Shywesham as the lot falls. To be held freely of Amice and her heirs, rendering 17d, annually to the lord of the fee, payable at Michaelmas and Easter, and also royal service. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. of Easton, Sir Sim. of Seagry, knights, Jn. Sturmy, Rob. Sturmy, Wm. Paternoster, Wm. Bailemond, Hen. de la Boxe.

Somerford

- 179 [c. 1190 \times 1207] Grant in alms by Tibbald of Winterbourne, with the consent of Richard, his eldest son, and his other heirs, for the soul of Alice his wife, of all his rent from the land which William de Amenesche holds of him in Somerford, that is 6d. at Michaelmas with homage, relief, and other service. Seal.
- 180 [Early 13th cent.] Gift in alms by William de Amenesche of half his meadow called Sewre in Mekelemede, free of all services, which will be rendered by William and his heirs. Seal. Witnesses: Geof. parson of Somerford, Hen. de Amenesche son of the donor, Wm. son of Reynold of Somerford, Phil. of Farley, Ralph de Hautville.
- 181 [Early 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Tibbald of Winterbourne, with the assent of Alice his wife, of all his land in Somerford which William de Amenesche held of him, with the homages, reliefs, and services pertaining to it. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Hubert Malcovenaunt, Geof. parson of Somerford, Hen. de Amenesche, Phil. of Farley, Phil., Geof., Wm. of Somerford, Pet. of Merton.
- 182 [Early 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Walter, son of Philip of Somerford, of 3 acres of meadow in Somerford: of which 1 acre lies in Presham on the north side; 1 acre in Mukemede called Wonacre; and 1 acre in Spredenham as the lot falls, and with free access. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Geof.

parson of Somerford, Wm. Blaunchard, Osbert Harold, Wm. Bailemond, Ric. of Startley, Luke son of Edwin, Rob. Sturmy.

- 183 [Early 13th cent.] Sale by Walter, son of Philip of Somerford, on account of his urgent need, of 2 acres of meadow in Somerford for 40s. sterling, paid in advance. 1 acre lies in Presham towards the north and 1 acre in Mukemede called Wonacre, both as the lot falls. To be held of him and his heirs with free access. Warranty. Seal. [Witnesses as 180 with the addition of Denis of Bradenstoke and the omission of Luke son of Edwin].
- 184 [c. 1270×1280]¹ Gift in alms by Jordan de Aqua, son and heir of Walter de Aqua, of 1 acre of meadow in Sinderham, and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in la Wonacre, to be held of him and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Bailemond, Pet. the janitor, Rob. of Kilmersdon, Wal. of Rollright, Rob. of Bremhill, Thos. of Nibley, Wm. Black.
- 185 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by William Bailemond, son and heir of William Bailemond, of 2 half-acres in Somerford which his father had given and confirmed by charter. 1 half-acre^a lies in Filemedforlang near the acre of John the chaplain, and the other lies above Odenhull in Westfurlang near the land of Henry the chaplain. To be held freely of William and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Reynold of Somerford, Ad. Sturmy, Rob. Blaunchard, Jn. Lucas, And. the janitor, Jn. Page, Pet. of Manningford squire of the prior.
 - a 1 acre in text.
- 186 [c. 1200×1227] Confirmation by William Bailemond, son and heir of William Bailemond, of the grant in alms made by his father, of 2 acres of arable land and 1 acre of meadow in Somerford: I acre of arable lies in Blechemedforlang; the other in Batteberg'; the acre of meadow in Sinderham. To be held of William and his heirs. Warranty and acquittance of all services, including royal service. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Geof. parson of Somerford, Wm. son of Osmund, Geof. his brother, Hen. the tailor, Phil. of Farley, Rob. de Berners.
- 187 [c. 1270 \times 1290] Confirmation by Jordan de Aqua, son and heir of Walter de Aqua of Somerford, of all the gifts and confirmations the canons have in Greater Somerford from Adam of Luckington, son of Nicholas le Scot: a half-cotland of $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres in Estfeld at Butterkorwe; 1 acre at Durnford; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre at Ridgeway; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in the South Field at Odenhulle; 1 acre at Bykemede; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre at Feneslede; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre on Middenhull. In the West Field: 1 acre at Scotweye; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Hulleforlong and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow in Northmede, with a messuage in the said township at la Pleistude, which belongs to the

¹ Jordan de Aqua occ. 1278 × 9, 1292: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, pp. 128, 193.

cotland. He also confirms the gift of Walter of Somerford, his father, of 3 acres of meadow in Somerford [182]. Also his own gift of $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres of meadow [184]. All these to be held of Jordan and his heirs in alms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. de Easton knight, Hen. of [Draycot] Cerne, Jn. Sturmy, Rayner de la Hoke, Wm. Bailemond, Alex. of Somerford, Wm. of Monkton, Rob. Russell.

Clapcote

188 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift by Robert of Hales, at the petition of Rose his wife, to Thomas, son of Geoffrey of Foscote, of 1 hide of his land of Clapcote as a marriage portion with Maud his eldest daughter, namely: 1/2 virgate which Edward held, with the messuage and croft belonging to it; ½ virgate of land which Geoffrey held without a messuage, in exchange for which Robert had given him 1 acre of land near Foscote in the furlong called Cornchester; ½ virgate which Walter Black held without a messuage, in exchange for which Robert had given him \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre in the furlong above Ackmere and \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre in Betforlong and 1 acre in the North Field in Tonfurlong near Michael's court. Robert also gave ½ virgate of his demesne, that is 6 acres in one field and the same in the other. In the North Field: 1 acre in Tounfurlong near Michael's court; 1 acre which turns on Flodder; 1 acre above Folewelle; 1 acre in Denefurlong towards the church of Surrendell and 2 acres in Curtewalde morelande. In the South Field: 14 acres on Brodeweye with the fardel which turns above the ditch; 2 acres on Ackemere; 1 acre and 1 fardel on Ackehulle and 5 fardels on Deopeforth. Thomas to hold in fee and in inheritance by the service of the 13th part of a knight's fee for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Thos. de St. Leger, Reynold de St. Leger, Rog. Burel, Hen. Kemble, Pet. of Easton, Drew of Littleton, Ralph of Hullavington, Ric. clerk of Malmesbury, Mic. of Clapcote, Rog. of Padworth, Sim. of Alderton, Ric. of Sherston, Wal, dean of Littleton.

189 [c. 1260]² Gift in alms by Maud, eldest daughter of Robert of Hales and relict of Thomas of Foscote, in her lawful widowhood, of ½ hide of land in Clapcote which Rose Hareing, her late mother, had in her widowhood given to Maud and confirmed by charter. To be held of Maud and her heirs free of all but royal service which amounts to that of a 13th part of a knight's fee in Clapcote. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ad. de la Mare, Sir Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne, Sir Jn. of Easton, knights, Rog. of Stockley, Wal. Drew, Jn. Sturmy, Pain Harold.

190 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Robert of Kilmersdon of a house with curtilage in Clapcote called 'the priests' house,' which he had bought from

Roger of Padworth occ. 1249 (Civil Pleas, p. 232); Adam of Clapcote occ. 1248 (Crown Pleas, p. 166).
 Adam de la Mare occ. 1259 (Wilts. Ing. p.m., I, p. 30); John Sturmy occ. 1268 (193).

John le Carpenter of Sutton, and of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of headland in one field stretching towards la Dene and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in the other field opposite the house of Adam of Clapcote. To be held of Robert and his heirs, rendering a rose at Midsummer at Bradenstoke and 1d. to the chief lord at Easter for all services but that of the king. Consideration: 40s. in advance. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. Sturmy, Ad. of Clapcote, Pain Harold, Jn. of Nabal's.

191 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift by Maud, daughter of Rose of Clapcote, to Reynold, son of Maud her sister, for his homage and service, of 12 acres of her land in Clapcote, 6 acres in one field and 6 in the other. In the East Field: 1 acre in Heiforlong, between William Lowis and the widow of John Crendelonde: 1 acre in Sandforlong near Richard Wrie; 1 acre in Thursden headland near Thomas le Freman; \frac{1}{2} acre near le Gore; 1 acre near Fulewell, near the land of the lady Rose; + acre in Denelonde near the land of John le Tailor; 1 acre in Denelonde near the land of John of Abbotstone; 1 acre near the croft of the writer; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre in Denelonde extending above Fulewell. In the South Field: 1 acre near the land of Joseph: 1 acre above Alkenhulle near the land of Adam of Clapcote; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre in Sevenacre near the land of Rose; ½ acre in Fernsled by the land of the writer; ½ acre in Stenekesthorn near the land of Thomas of Clapcote; } acre in Otslade by the land of John of Abbotstone; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre beyond Mereweye near the land of William Lowis; \(\frac{1}{2}\) acre of headland at Quidelynghulle; \frac{1}{2} acre in Dikforlong near the land of Adam of Clapcote.

Reynold is free to assign the land to anyone except Jews and religious houses. To be held of Maud and her heirs, rendering 4 lb. of wax annually, 2 lb. to the altar of St. Olaf at Grittleton and 2 lb. to the altar of St. Radegund there, and 5 gallons of oil so that one lamp may burn all the day hours and at the mass celebrated in the chancel of the church of Grittleton, and another before the Cross at all the masses celebrated daily during the year, and also rendering 1d. to the lord of the fee at Easter for all services except royal service, pertaining to such a tenement in Grittleton.

Hullavington

192 [c. 1268] Grant by Nicholas of Preshute to God and St. Mary and the parishioners of the chapel of Hullavington, of a rent of 2s. for the maintenance there of the service of the Virgin, and 1 qr. of corn at Michaelmas to be received from William of Clatford, brother of Nicholas, and his heirs for the tenement in Hullavington which Nicholas had given them, as is shown in his charter to them. The parishioners are to hold of William and his heirs as long as they are willing to maintain the service, but if at any time they should cease to do so, the rent is to be turned to the use of the canons of Bradenstoke for the maintenance of their alms. Chirograph, 1 part to be kept by the parishioners, the other by the canons, both sealed by Nicholas. Witnesses: Sir Jn. of Easton, Sir Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne, knights.

193 6 Dec. 1268. Acknowledgment by William of Clatford that, should the celebrations of St. Mary's mass cease in Hullavington, he is immediately liable to pay 2s. sterling and I qr. of corn to the canons, as is stated in the other deed [192]. For the protection of the canons he submits himself and his heirs to the jurisdiction and coercion of the archdeacon of Wiltshire and his official, who may compel him by excommunication, and he renounces all legal remedy. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Phil. Basset, Sir Wm. of Calne, knights, Jn. Sturmy, Rob. of Kilmersdon, Wal. de la Frithe. Bradenstoke, St. Nicholas bishop and confessor A.D. 1268.

Brokenborough

194 [Early 13th cent.] Grant in alms by Thomas of Purton of 2s. rent from a half-virgate of land in Brokenborough held by Adam Sturmy and his heirs, with all their homage, services and reliefs. Warranty.

195 [Early-mid 13th cent.] Inspeximus by Adam of Purton of a charter made by Thomas of Purton his father.

[As 194, but adds:] the rent is to be paid at Easter and Michaelmas and the canons are to render only the royal service due on a half-virgate in Purton. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Hugh of Dunmarch, Ad. Sturmy, Ste. son of Sirwald, Phil. of Farley, Ric. de Hauteville, Ives de Winesch', Wal. de Denebrig', Jn. de Hakeneston.

This charter is confirmed by Adam. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rog. of Dauntsey, Sir Ad. de la Mare, Sir Ric. of Dauntsey, Master Rob. of Lavington, Master Thos. de Cardeville, Sir Ralph parson of Upwimborne, Wm. Bailemond, Jn. Sturmy.

Bremilham

196 [Early 13th cent.] Grant in alms by Richard, lord of Bremilham, of an annual rent of 12d. payable at Bradenstoke by him or his heirs at the Purification. The rent is derived from 2 acres of land which Richard and Robert Shete once held of him in the field of Brokenborough, and is to be used to maintain a light before the altar of Blessed Mary. If the rent is not paid by the octave of the feast, Richard, or his heirs, will as often as this occurs pay double the rent. Warranty.

197 [Early 13th cent.] [As 196, but Juliet, wife of Richard, is mentioned, and quittance from all services is granted]. Seal. Witnesses: Master Rob. of Lavington, Osbert Harold, Jn. of Hurstbourne, Ralph of Startley, Andrew janitor of Bradenstoke, Ric. Blundel, Thos. Harding.

Adam of Purton occ. 1249: Civil Pleas, p. 33.

Malmesbury

198 [c. 1200]¹ Confirmation by Henry Brice to Gregory the farrier, of a messuage and croft with curtilage in Westport, which Joan his mother, daughter of Walter of Newnton, had granted Gregory for his homage and service [199]. To be held of Henry and his heirs by inheritance rendering, after the death of Joan, 15½d. annually to Henry and his heirs on the day of St. Augustine in May for all services. If they should not be able to warrant the messuage they will provide another of equal value in a suitable place. For the confirmation and entry fine Gregory paid I gold besant. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. of Brinkworth, Ralph of Hullavington, Mat. of Bremilham, Geof. of Newnton, Jordan the merchant, Thos. Spilewyn, Jn. of the postern, Wm. Rasill, Ralph the tailor, Ric. of Burton, and the whole hundred.

199 [c. 1200] Gift by Joan, daughter of Walter of Newnton, to Gregory the farrier, with the consent of Henry, her son, and her other heirs, of a messuage in Westport near Guildhall, with croft and curtilage, for his homage and service and for 1 mark of silver which he gave her as entry fine. Gregory to hold by inheritance, rendering 15½d. annually on the day of St. Augustine in May. If she and her heirs are not able to warrant the messuage they will replace it with one of equal value in a suitable place. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. of Brinkworth, Ralph of Hullavington, Mat. of Bremilham and others as in the previous charter.

200 [Mid 13th cent.]² Quitclaim by Gilbert, son of William the cook, to Peter the chaplain, son of Gregory, of all his right in a house near Guildhall by Westport on the north side, concerning which he had taken Peter to the court of the hundred of Malmesbury by the king's writ of right. Peter and his assigns to hold freely of Gilbert and his heirs. Consideration: 20s. sterling. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Gilb. of Shipton, Rog. de Duhton, Ralph Meler, Ralph the tailor, Sim. le Frais, Ralph Marshall, Ad. le Peyn, Alex. Spilewyn, Jn. Gunyuld.

201 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift by Peter the chaplain, son of Gregory the marshall, to John, chaplain of Avening, of his messuage in Malmesbury near the Guildhall at Westport on the north side, to be held in perpetuity, rendering service in accordance with the charters of the lords of the fee, which he has handed to John along with his own charter. Consideration: 5½ marks of silver in advance. Seal. Witnesses: Gilb. [of Shipton] knight, Rog. de Duhton, Wal. Upton, Rob. his son, Geof. de Bamford, Ralph the marshal, Alex. Spilewyn, Ralph the tailor.

^a The last three witnesses occur only in the Vit. version.

¹ Ralph of Hullavington occ. 1202: Wilts. Fines I, p. 7. ² Gilbert of Shipton occ. 1230×38: Ctl. Cirencester, I, p. 219.

202 [Mid 13th cent.]¹ Gift by John, chaplain of Avening, of his messuage in Malmesbury near the Guildhall at Westport, which he had bought from Peter the chaplain, son of Gregory the marshal [201]. The canons to hold in perpetuity, rendering 7½d. annually to Richard le Bret and his heirs on the day of St. Augustine in May. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. chaplain of Chiriton, Sir Wm. chaplain of Avening, Martin of Aston, Sim. de Hese'cote, Osbert brother of the donor, Jn. Edrich, Ric. Blundel, Ric. de Ponte.

203 [-1232] Grant in alms by Henry le Bret, son of Henry le Bret, for the soul of Joan his wife, of all his rent in Malmesbury from the burgage in Westport which Gregory le Deveneys held from Joan, mother of Henry, and which Maud, relict of Gregory, held after his death, that is 8d. and whatever pertains to the burgage, which is on the north side of the Guildhall in Westport. To be held of Henry and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Nic. of Salisbury clerk of the sheriff of Wiltshire, Humph. le Bret, Miles of Morley, Geof. Thenele, Phil. of Farley, Ralph de Hautville, Pet. of Merton.

204 $[1243 \times 1260]$ Agreement for lease made between William [III] prior of Bradenstoke and Gervase the marshal of Malmesbury. The canons demise to Gervase all their land in Westport which they have of the gift of John, chaplain of Avening [202], to be held by Gervase and his heirs in perpetuity, rendering 8s. annually at the 4 usual terms. If the rent is not paid at the prescribed terms the canons may, after a month, take back the land and everything on it. Gervase and his legitimate heirs are to build on the land and improve it so that the rent is safeguarded to the canons for ever, and are also to acquit the chief lord and others for all services. The tenement may not be sold, pledged, or otherwise alienated without the consent of the canons. Seals. Witnesses: Geof. de Syfrewast, Master Rob. of Kemble, Thos. Harding, Pet. the janitor, Wal. de Ver, Geof. of Colerne.

205 [Late 13th cent.]² Grant in alms by William le Spicer of Malmesbury, for the soul of Alice his wife, of 12d. annual rent from his tenement in Malmesbury, situated in Estret, payable at the Annunciation and Michaelmas. If the rent is not paid the canons, or their proctor, may distrain on the tenement and its contents until they are fully satisfied. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Hasard, Wm. of Hullavington, Wm. Hall, Ric. Hasard, Wm. Piste, Jn. Trihet, Jn. Martin, Wm. of Cowbridge.

206 [Late 13th cent.]³ Grant in alms by Andrew, son of John of Malmesbury, of 3s. annual rent in Malmesbury, payable at the Annunciation at Bradenstoke by John Midwinter from the land he holds of Andrew in Kingstreet, or by whoever may hold the land, which lies between the land of

¹ Richard Blundel occ. 1241, Richard le Bret occ. 1270: Wilts. Fines I, pp. 22, 60.

² William of Hullavington and William of Cowbridge occ. 1260 × 1296: Ctl. Malmesbury, II, pp. 119, 310.

³ John Midwinter occ. 1300: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 244.

Robert the shoemaker and that of William le Eymongere. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Rob. parson of Kemble, Geof. of Colerne, Thos. Harding.

207 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Master Nicholas of Malmesbury, clerk, of all the tenement in Malmesbury situated in the street called Estret, which was once held by Walter the cook, his father, to provide a pittance on the anniversary of his parents. To render 5d. annually to the chief lord of the fee, and 2d. at the feast of St. Martin for church-scot. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Hasard, Rob. Pacy, Wm. the janitor, Rob. Kilmersdon, Hen. the tailor.

208 [c. 1306×1312] Hugh prior of Bradenstoke leased the above tenement to Roger of Peckingell and Joan his wife, for the term of their lives, for the service of 5s. 8d. a year, payable at Michaelmas, the Annunciation, and Midsummer, and for 2d. church-scot on the feast of St. Martin.

 $[c. 1312 \times 1320]$ John prior of Bradenstoke leased the above tenement to Roger of Allington, perpetual vicar of the church of St. Paul, Malmesbury, and to Alice and Agnes, daughters of Thomas Wrog and Maud his wife, for the term of their lives for the service of 5s. 8d. a year, payable at 4 terms, and for 2d. church-scot at the feast of St. Martin.

Hankerton

209 [-1232] Gift in alms by Miles of Morley, for the souls of Justina his wife and Eleanor his daughter, of 2 crofts with messuages in Hankerton, which he had by the grant of Hugh of Hurdeleia for his homage and service and 3 marks of silver [210]. One croft was held by Roger Bullock and the other by Robert de la Thorne. To be held of Hugh and his heirs, rendering 1 lb. of pepper annually at the feast of St. Aldhelm for all service. Seal.

210 [-1232] Gift by Hugh of Hurdeleia, with the consent of his heir, to Miles of Morley for his homage and service, of 2 crofts with messuages in Hankerton, one held by Roger Bullock and the other by Robert de la Thorne. To be held of him and his heirs by inheritance, rendering 1 lb. of pepper annually to Hugh and his heirs at the feast of St. Aldhelm for all services. Warranty. Consideration: 3 marks of silver and 12d. to W., son and heir of Hugh. Seal.

211 [-1232] Confirmation by Hugh of Hurdeleia to the canons of 2 crofts with messuages in Hankerton, which are of his fee, and which Miles of Morley gave them and confirmed by charter. [Property described as in 209]. To be held of Hugh and his heirs with free access to pasture and with easements in all places. [Service as in 210]. Warranty. Seal.

¹ Robert Pacy occ. 1260×96: Ctl. Malmesbury, II, p. 193.

Minety

212 [c. 1294 × 1307]¹ Gift by Adam Filkins, with the consent of his wife and heirs to Adam, son of Robert, of all his land near Watership, lying between Cloatley and Minety, which is in the fee of the abbot of Malmesbury as of his manor of Crudwell, and had been granted to Adam Filkins by Simon Murdac. Adam, son of Robert, and his heirs are to hold freely with the right to assign, rendering 3s. annually to the canons of Bradenstoke, payable at Michaelmas and the Annunciation. Adam Filkins retains for his own use, and for his heirs, 2 acres of the tenement on the north side towards the wood, measuring 33 perches by 9. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. of Dauntsey, Ad. of Purton, Pain de Leh, Frederick of Ditchford, Ric. of Bremilham, Osbert Harold, Thos. of Charlton, Wm. son of Ric. of Avekynton, Wm. Terry, Wal. de Thepekedun, Wm. Nobelot, Jn. Nobelot.

213 [Mid 13th cent.] Grant by Ralph of Hurdeleia, son and heir of Hugh of Hurdeleia, of the whole rent which Adam of Filkins and his heirs should pay for the tenement they once held of him in la Watership, with homage and relief, and also the land called Longcroft at Bolewyk which Agnes the ale wife once held of him. He also confirms to the canons the 2 crofts which they have of the gift of Miles of Morley [209] and a croft in Hankerton called Hamme which Hugh, his father, had given them. He retains for himself and his heirs nothing from the foregoing but a pair of spurs worth 2d., or 2d., payable at the Nativity of Blessed Mary. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Jn. of St. Peter, Sir Jn. of Stokes, Wm. of Merton clerk, Sir Ad. of Filkins, Wm. the squire, Denis Kene, Rob. the janitor, Ste. clerk.

Shorncote

214 [Mid 13th cent.]² Grant in alms by Roger Barbost of all his tenements and rents in Shorncote, namely, 2½ virgates of land and 2 fardels, 5 acres of meadow, and the sixth part of a moor towards Somerford, and of 3d. annual rent from the virgate which William Young held, together with his homage, reliefs, wardships, and escheats. Also 2d. annual rent from the virgate which Reynold of Kingshay held, which the donor holds of Martin de Champfleur. Also of ½ virgate with a house and adjoining croft which he had bought from Alice de la Hache; 6 parcels of arable with a sixth part of the moor called Westmoor, also bought of Alice; 2 acres in the field of Siddington which he had bought from Peter de Wisham, of which one lies in Baleroundel and the other near the meadow of Blakeput and extends to Baleroundel. To be held of Roger and his heirs. Warranty. Seal.

215 [c. 1260 \times 1285] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke,

¹ Adam Filkins occ. before 1301: Ctl. Cirencester, III, p. 868.

² Martin de Champflour occ. 1258: Ctl. Cirencester, I, p. 47.

to Thomas of Henrethe, smith, and his heirs for their homage and service and for an entry fine of 40 marks, the whole tenement in Shorncote which Philip of Somerford once held of the canons at farm, that is the tenement which the canons had of the gift of the late Roger Barbost, chaplain [214]. It consists of the whole dwelling-house which is situated near the court of the rector of Shorncote, on the west side, near the royal road facing the garden of the lord of Shorncote, together with all the buildings on it and all the arable land which Philip held from them at farm. To be held by Thomas and his heirs, together with a third part of the pasture called Westmore, rendering $\frac{1}{2}$ mark of silver annually to the canons, payable at Christmas and Midsummer for all except royal service levied on such a free tenement in Shorncote, and reserving to the canons wardships, reliefs, marriages, and escheats. Thomas and his heirs may not alienate in any way which would cause the canons loss. Warranty. Seal.

Cricklade

216 [Another copy of 101, but without witnesses].

217 [N.D.] Gift in alms by Martin the chaplain, rector of the church of Tockenham, of half a burgage in Cricklade which Reynilda the widow and Maud, her daughter, once held of him. The canons to hold of the lords of Wanborough, rendering 4½d. or sometimes less, according to the custom of the tenement. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. Burg', Martin the clerk, Wm. Ruffus, Ric. Davy, Phil. the palmer, Wm. Caboch, Ric. of Fairford.

218 [c. 1260×1282] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [I], styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Ralph, son of Richard de la Hyde of Cricklade, of the house and curtilage which Richard, father of Ralph, once held of the canons in Cricklade, situated between the house of Reynold Syward and that of Auger le Leghar. Ralph to hold by inheritance, rendering to the canons $\frac{1}{2}$ mark of silver annually at the 4 usual terms for all services. Consideration: I mark of silver in advance. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de Grantebrigge, Rob. son of Ives, Rob. Laur', Pet. the farrier, Hugh the goldsmith, Gilb. le Quert.

219 [c. 1260×1285] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [I], styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Richard, son of Ralph of Cricklade, of all the land in Cricklade which lies between the land of Richard le Taillour and that of Ralph, son of Martin, chaplain, together with the house built on it. To be held by Richard and his heirs and assigns, except men of religion and Jews, from the canons, after the death of Maud Rymild, and rendering the accustomed services, that is, 6d. annually, to the canons at Michaelmas for all services. If at any time the rent is not paid, the canons may enter and retain the land until paid in full, unless a sufficient pledge can be found on the property. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: David of Hereford,

Rob. of Abingdon, Rob. son of Ives, Hen. Cerf, John son of Reynold, Richer.

Haydon

- 220 [-1184] Gift in alms by Niel of Moredon, with the consent of Ellis, his brother and heir, of 1 virgate of land in Haydon which Robert Sport held, with all its appurtenances in pasture and meadow and quit of all services. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. of Ewyas, Wm. son of Wal., Ric. de Evermund, Wm. the cook, Nic. de Hispania, Ralph Torel, Ansell, Osmund the janitor, Wal. and A. squires, Ralph Braeur.
 - ^a Witnesses given only in the Vit. version.
- 221 [-1184] Confirmation by Robert of Ewyas of the gift made to the canons in alms by Niel of Moredon of 1 virgate in Haydon which Robert Sport held. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. the priest, Ric. clerk of Lydiard, Wm. son of Wal., Wal. Mauduit, Ric. de Evermund, Ellis brother of Niel of Moredon, Nic. de Hispania, Ansell, Ralph Torel, Osmund the janitor.
 - ^a Witnesses omitted in the Vit. version.

Blunsdon

- 222 [-1193] Gift in alms by Adam, son of William, for the souls of Roger, son of Geoffrey, his uncle, and other ancestors at rest in the church of Bradenstoke, of 1 hide of land in Blunsdon and the messuage Chutel held, from the land which his uncle had given him for his service. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. son of Geof., Hen. de Berners, Rog. Pypard, Miles of Dauntsey, Niel of Moredon.
- 223 [? 1288 × 1289]¹ Memorandum that the prior of Bradenstoke claims heriot from the tenements late of Richard Ailmer, that is, a horse worth 40s., and 7s. arrears of rent, and a relief of 25s. for the fourth part of a knight's fee. Richard, son of Richard Ailmer, found security for payment before Christmas in the year 17, through the undertaking of Robert Horeput. Richard's lands on which he may be distrained are: 1 headland behind the land of John the palmer of Blunsdon; 2 acres at Gaumboneswell; 2 acres along the footpath of the prior of St. John's; 2 acres outside St. John's priory, stretching towards the castle; 3 acres above Roundoune; 2 acres in le Northlangelonde above le Doune; 2 acres under Heiwell; 2 acres in Coldemaram; 2 acres in the Madderland; 1 acre round the mill; 1 acre at Oldegore; 2 acres in the meadow called Southmede and 1 acre in the meadow called Northmede.

¹ The year 17 may apply to the reign of Edward I or Edward II. The inquest, held in 1301 after the death of Laurence of Blunsdon, was attended by a Richard Aylmer and a John the palmer: Wilts. Inq. p.m. I, p. 282.

Stratton

- 224 $[c. 1193 \times 1203]^1$ Grant in alms by Ralph de Arguges for the souls of Alice, his wife, and Ralph son of Roger, his lord, of 12d. annual rent, payable at St. Margaret's day from the land which William, son of Robert, holds in Stratton, together with any escheats. The rent and escheats had been given to Ralph by his lord for his homage and service, and the canons are to hold of Ralph de Arguges and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Ric. archdeacon of Wiltshire, Wal. dean of Littleton, Phil. parson of Stratton, Hubert Malcovenaunt, Ad. of Easton, Phil. of Farley, Jn. the janitor, Ric. the cook.
- 225 [c. 1193 \times 1203] Confirmation by Everard de Arguges, brother and heir of Ralph de Arguges, of his brother's gifts in alms of $\frac{1}{2}$ hide of land in Stratton, namely, 1 virgate held by William Wildfire, villein, and 1 virgate held by Ralph, son of Richard of Harnhill, villein, together with these men and their families. Warranty. To be held of Everard and his heirs in alms. The canons may use the villeins and their families just as they use their own villeins. Witnesses: Master Ric. archdeacon of Wiltshire, Master Phil. parson of Stratton, Hubert Malcovenaunt, Rob. Bluet, Ad. of Easton, Wm. of Littlecott, Rob. of Newent, Phil. of Farley, Ralph de Hautevill, Jn. janitor of Bradenstoke, Ellis de Stathelford, Jn. of the mill, and Everard his son.
- 226 [c. 1214×1228] Gift in alms by Everard de Arguges, brother and heir of Ralph de Arguges, of 2 acres of land in the field of Stratton: 1 acre in Argelonde very near the land of Roger de la Folie, of the villeinage; 1 acre in Brodforlong of the demesne land and near the land of Walerand of Blunsdon, measuring 40 perches by 4; and 1 acre of meadow in Sturie near the land of the Templars, measuring 40 perches by 4. To be held of Everard and his heirs with peaceful access to the meadow when necessary. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Phil. parson of Stratton, Ralph de Arguges lord and brother of Everard, Phil. of Farley, Ellis of Swindon, Rob. the archdeacon, Ellis de Stathelford, Ralph de Hauteville, Pet. of Merton, Rob. the clerk.
- 227 [c. 1214×1235] Sale by Everard de Arguges, on account of his urgent need, of 2 half-acres of his land at Stratton for 16s. sterling in advance. One half-acre in Langford lies between the land of Henry, son of Richard, and that of Thomas de Arguges, and the other lies between the land of the aforesaid Henry and that of Otes, son of Alexander. To be held of Everard and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. parson of Stratton, Rich. his chaplain, Ellis de Stathelford, Hen. of Wanborough, Wm. the squire, Sim. of Stapelton, Rob. the janitor.
- 228 [-1232] Gift in alms by Robert Mansel of Stratton, of 2 half-acres of ¹ Archdeacon Richard occ. 14 Aug. 1204: Rot. Cht., p. 125.

land in Stratton in the South Field, that is the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre which lies near the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of Hugh de Ladrone on the south, and that which lies next to the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of Alexander, son of Richard, in Stratforlong towards the south. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. parson of Stratton, Ellis of Stratton, Rob. of Newent, Alex. son of Ric., Wm. de Mora, Jn. the palmer, Ste. Avenel.

- 229 [Mid 13th cent.]¹ Gift in alms by Richard of Ilsley, of ½ acre of land and the house built on it, namely the ½ acre which lies in the territory of Stratton St. Margaret in the furlong called Hemecroft, between the land of Sir Richard Serle and that of John Randolf, and extends in one direction towards the house of John Botild and in the other above the ½-acre headland of Sir Adam de Arguges. The canons to hold of Richard and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Walerand of Blunsdon knight, Rog. of Writtle, Rog. Chambers, Phil. le Bret, Pet. of Moredon, Jas. de Groundwell, Jn. Aylmer.
- 230 [-1232] Gift in alms by Ellis de Stathelforde of 6 perches of land in Stratton. In the South Field: in Cleye the ½ acre near the ½ acre of Alexander Cleye; I perch in Tounforlong near the perch of Niel Milecent towards the west. In the North Field: ½ acre in Middleforlong by the ½ acre of the church on the east; I perch by the ½ acre which William Wildfire holds of the canons. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Bernard Lombard, Wm. de la More, Wal. Luddut, Phil. of Farley, Geof. of Colerne, Wm. son of Rog., Rob. Blund.
- 231 [Mid 13th cent.] Confirmation by John de Estcote, son and heir of Richard of Ilsley, of his father's charter [229]. To be held freely of John and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Walerand knight, Rog. de Writtle, Rog. Chambers, Phil. le Bret, Pet. of Moredon, Jas. de Groundwell, Jn. Aylmer.
- 232 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Niel of Medbourne, of 1 virgate of land in Upper Stratton, which was once held by Alexander of Newnton. Rendering to Niel and his heirs 2s. 6d. at Michaelmas for all service except the king's. Seal. Witnesses: Master Achard brother of the donor, Andrew de Wyke, Sir Geof. chaplain of Coleshill, Sir Wal. chaplain of the donor, Ralph Springham, Ric. de la Penne, Rob. of the mill.
- 233 [Mid 13th cent.] Confirmation by John de Gardino, of the virgate of land in Stratton which the canons have of the gift of Niel of Medbourne. This land is of John's fee, and was held by Alexander of Newnton. To be held of John and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. Galon, Rog. de Writtle, Nic. de Heddington, Pet. de Mordonwyke, Thos. Sport, Jn. Rivel, Wm. Quintin, Thos. Harding, Pet. of Manningford, Ric. Blundel.

¹ Philip le Bret and Roger de Writtle occ. 1249: Civil Pleas, pp. 68, 155.

Wanborough

234 [1266×1331] Inspeximus by Emelina Longespee, lady of Wanborough, of a charter of William Longespee [II].

[1226 × 1250] William Longespee [II]¹ granted a rent of 10s. to the canons in alms, payable annually at Michaelmas by William le Graunt and his heirs at Wanborough. This rent to be held of William Longespee and his heirs for the purpose of maintaining a light before the altar of St. Mary. The canons may distrain on William le Graunt and his heirs if the rent is not paid within the octave of Michaelmas. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ste. and Sir Ric. brothers of the donor, Sir Rob. de Plugenet, Wal. Salsario, Wm. de Spineto, Rob. de Holte, Rob. of Morton, Nic. of Badbury, Thos. and Valentine clerks.

Emelina also confirms a charter of Stephen Longespee, her father.

[-1266] Stephen Longespee grants the canons a rent of 5s. payable by William le Graunt and his heirs at Michaelmas at Wanborough. To be held of Stephen in alms to maintain a light before the altar of Blessed Mary. The canons have the right to distrain if the rent is not paid within the octave of Michaelmas. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Mat. de Mara, Sir Jn. de Gaddesden, Sir Jn. de Columbers, knights, Jn. de Holte, Wm. de Bodeham, Wm. the forester.

Both these charters were approved by Emelina. Witnesses: Sir Wm. of Harden, Sir Wm. Lyllebon, knights, Jn. Jonkyn, Pet. Bluet, Rob. Russell, Wm. Forestal, Rob. of Hungerford.

235 [1191 \times 1202] Grant in alms by Geoffrey [III], count of Perche, for the soul of Maud his wife, of 7s. a rent in Wanborough from the tenement which is held from him by John of the mill and his heirs. The rent is to be received from John at Michaelmas. Witnesses: Countess Maud wife of the donor, H. de Thabar', Rog. de Limpund, Otes de Lomier, Rog. pessarum, Ellis Campion, Rog. son of Rog., Ad. Ing', Everard son of Jn., W. son of W., Wm. magnus, Ric. his son, Jn. son of Ste.

^a 7s.: below, 565; Rot. Cht., p. 169; Stowe, MS. table of contents. Stowe text has 8s.

Draycot Foliat

236 [c. 1200×1227] Grant in alms by Humphrey Crook, at the petition of Alice his wife, and with the consent of his heirs, of 6 acres of land in Draycot [Foliat]: 1 acre in Blechesden; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Brech at the head of that acre; 1 acre in Langelonde; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Shortlonde; 1 perch in Wodeland; another perch which stretches as far as Hugh's hill; 1 acre in Langelonde on Isewaye in the West Field; 1 acre extending above the boundary of Hodestun in the East

¹ William Longespee (II) was the uncle of Emelina.

Field; I acre in Brech on the south of la Spine in the West Field. To be held of Humphrey and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Hen. son and heir of the donor, Wal., Baldwin, Jas., sons of the donor, Thos. brother of the donor, Phil. of Farley, Ralph de Hauteville, Denis Kene, Wal. of Collingbourne.

237 [c. $1208 \times c$. 1243] Lease, made by Simon prior of Bradenstoke, to Hugh of Ogbourne clerk, of 4 acres of land in Draycot Foliat which the canons have of the gift of Humphrey Crook [610], that is: 1 acre in Blechesden; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Brech at the head of that acre; 1 acre in Langelonde; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Shortlond; 1 perch in Wodelond, 1 perch which extends as far as Hugh's down (dunam Hugonis), and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Langelond above Iseweye in the West Field. To be held by Hugh for life, rendering 2s. sterling at Bradenstoke annually, payable at Michaelmas and Easter for all services. He is to acquit the land against all demands and may not pledge or otherwise alienate it without the consent of the canons. If the rent is not paid at the stated terms, or within the octave, at Bradenstoke, the canons may take over the land and crops and do as they will with them. After the death of Hugh the land is to revert to the canons without hindrance from his heirs. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Wm. de Torney, Ad. of Polton, Ad. his son, Nic. Crook, Jn. Stive, Jn. son of Ellis, Jn. de Mora, Pet. Stigant.

Costow

- 238 [-1199] Confirmation by Geoffrey, son of Peter, of 1 hide of land in Costow which the lady Maud, his mother, and Robert, his brother, had given to the canons at the instance of Roger, son of Geoffrey. To be held in alms, free of all services except the king's danegeld. He also confirms the gift of a messuage which his mother and brother had given in Costow, and of 2 acres of land in a croft near the aforesaid messuage, given for the soul of his father. To be held as freely as the hide. Witnesses: Hugh of Buckland, Pet. of Stoke, Wm. de Hayrun.
- 239 [1213 \times 1241] Notification by Walter de Dunstanville (III), that he has confirmed to the canons the hide of land in Costow which they have of the gift of Maud and of Robert, son of Geoffrey, and the confirmation of Geoffrey, son of Peter, and also of the 2 acres they have in a croft near the messuage given by Maud and Robert, which they have of the gift of Geoffrey. To be held of Walter and his heirs in alms, quit of all suit to his court, which had previously been exacted from the canons. Seal. Witnesses: Sir ... a de Dunstanville, Sir Hen. Crook, knights. Sir Nic. of Heddington
 - ^a No Christian name given.

Avebury

- 240 [-1232] Grant in alms by Godfrey of Stanley, of a rent of 2s. in Avebury, which William of Calstone and his ancestors were accustomed to render for the tenement situated between the house of Alfred and the water and facing the street opposite Godfrey's gate. He also confirms by charter all that pertains to the rent or the tenement. To be held of him and his heirs free of all service and secular demand. Warranty. Seal appendant.
- 241 17 Apr. 1306. Memorandum that Richard of Calstone, tenant of the prior in Avebury, made a fine at Bradenstoke on the Sunday after St. Tibertius and St. Valerian, 34 Edw. [I], for arrears of rent, then amounting to 10s., to be paid on the Sunday after Michaelmas on the security of Adam of Gatcombe. Richard gave a pledge to pay his rent henceforth.
- 13 Dec. 1347. Memorandum that Nicholas of Richardson, clerk, tenant of the prior in Avebury, made a fine at Bradenstoke Thursday after St. Nicholas, 21 Edw. III, for all his arrears of rent amounting to 10s. The prior remitted 5s. and he now owes 5s. and should pay 3s. annually at Michaelmas until the arrears are paid. He pledged himself to pay his rent regularly henceforth.

Marlborough

- 242 [c. 1243 × 1260] Lease by William [III] prior of Bradenstoke, to Nicholas de Barbeflet, of all the land and houses which the canons have in Marlborough of the gift of Arnold le Fader and Alice his wife. To be held by Nicholas and his heirs or assigns, except Jews and religious, rendering 10s. annually for all services, payable at the 4 usual terms. If the rent is not paid at the stated terms the canons may retake the property and hold it until the rent is paid, unless a sufficient pledge can be found on the property. Seals. Witnesses: Sir Ralph of Upwimborne, Master Ad. of Polton, Rog. de Ocle constable, Master Rog. Harding, Master Nic. of Malmesbury, Thos. Martin, Jn. de la Mare.
- 243 [c. 1243×1260] Lease by William [III] prior of Bradenstoke, to Nicholas de Barbeflet, of all the land and houses in Marlborough which lie south of the land of William Marshall, on the west side of St. Mary's cemetery. To be held by Nicholas and his heirs and assigns, except Jews and religious, rendering 12s. annually at the 4 usual terms for all services. If the rent is not paid at the stated terms, the canons may retake and hold the land until paid, unless a sufficient pledge can be found on the land. Seals. Witnesses: Sir Wm. de Cardeville knight, Hen. Sturmy, Master Ad. of Polton, Jn. de Wyke, Ad. de la Rivere, Thos. Martin, Thos. de la Green, Master Rog. Harding, Master Nic. of Malmesbury, Ric. the clerk.

- 244 [c. 1260×1285] Lease made by Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Thomas de la Green, burgess of Marlborough, of all their annual rent from 2 stalls once held by Robert of Shipton and William the tailor, together with their right in these properties, which are built in a block on a site in Marlborough between the workshop once William Marshall's on the south, and the steps of St. Mary's cemetery on the north. To be held of the canons by Thomas and his heirs and assigns, except Jews and religious, rendering 12s. of silver annually, payable at the 4 usual terms, and 1 lb. of cummin at Michaelmas for all services. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Jn. Rokle chaplain, Ric. of Ospringe, Wm. Belbowe, Thos. Wade, Gilb. Trip, Pet. Levanah, Ric. of Marlborough clerk, Pet. the tailor, Ric. le Tanner.
- 245 [c. 1260×1285] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Thomas de la Green, of all their land in Marlborough near the land of Thomas, once held by Henry the tailor. To be held of the canons by Thomas and his heirs and assigns, except Jews and religious, rendering 2s. of silver annually at the 4 usual terms for all services. If the rent is unpaid at the stated terms, the canons may re-enter and retain the land until paid, unless sufficient security can be found on the property. Chirograph sealed by both parties. [Witnesses as in 244].
- 246 21 May 1263. [A slightly different version of 244. The rent is 9s. and there are no witnesses. It is sealed by Thomas de la Grene and dated Mon. after St. Dunstan A.D. 1263].
- 247 23 May 1263. Notification that Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, have leased to Nicholas Aldwin of Marlborough all their land in the township which Gilbert Fleis once held of them in fee, and which lies between the land of Adam Aldwin on the north and that of Richard Fontayne on the south. To be held by Nicholas and his heirs and his assigns, except Jews and men of religion, rendering 2s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms for all services and demands. Seal of Nicholas. Wed. after St. Dunstan A.D. 1263.
- 248 23 May 1263. Lease by Brother Geoffrey [1], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Richard of Marlborough, clerk, son of Adam the baker, of part of their land in Marlborough, that is, all which Adam Lote once held, lying south of the land once held by Walter Aldwin near the royal roads to west and south. To be held of the canons by Richard and his heirs and assigns, except Jews and men of religion, rendering 3s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms for all service except the king's. Seal. Wed. after St. Dunstan A.D. 1263.
- 249 [1260 \times 1285] Lease by Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, and the

canons, to Robert de Barbeflete, of all the land and houses in Marlborough on the south side of William Marshall's property, near the west side of St. Mary's cemetery. To be held of the canons by Robert and his heirs and assigns, except Jews and men of religion, rendering 8s. annually at the 4 usual terms. If the rent is not paid, the canons may enter and take over the land until they receive the rent, unless sufficient security can be found on the property. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Sir Wm. of Calne knight, Guy of Taunton the Queen's steward, Wm. Delbog, Thos. the baker, Pet. the skinner.

- 250 7 Jan. 1307. Notification that Brother Hugh prior of Bradenstoke has leased to Thomas de Clenche, clerk, all the tenement in Marlborough which lies to the south of the tenement of Walter le Bowiere near the cemetery of St. Mary's church on the west side. To be held by Thomas and his heirs, rendering 5s. sterling at the 4 usual terms for all services. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Bradenstoke morrow of Epiphany 35 Edw. son of Hen.
- 251 23 Jan. 1371. Notification that Brother Richard Redborn, prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, have leased to John Kember, dyer, of Marlborough, and Cecily his wife, a plot of land in Barn Street, Marlborough, situated between the tenement of John Pain on the north and that of Peter Baldrus on the south. To be held by John and Cecily for the term of their lives, rendering 40d. sterling annually at Bradenstoke, payable at the 4 usual terms, and discharging the services due to the chief lords of the fee. They are to maintain the plot at their own expense in as good, or better, condition than that in which they received it. If the rent is not paid, the plot is not built on, and the house is not maintained, the canons may take back and retain the plot, the house, and the chattels found in them. Indenture sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Nic. Tamworth constable of Marlborough castle, Wal. Joup mayor of Marlborough, Wm. Seignet, Jn. Cantilupe, Ric. of Poulton, Thos. of Collingbourne, Wm. the wheelwright. Bradenstoke Thur. after St. Vincent 44 Edw. III.
- 252 25 Mar. 1372. Notification that Brother Richard prior of Bradenstoke has leased to Robert Barber of Marlborough, Agnes his wife, and Thomas their son, the reversion of the tenement which Maud, relict of William Wynketon, holds for life, situated in the High Street of Marlborough between the tenement of John le Frend on the east and the gate of the Carmelite Brothers¹ on the west. The tenement and curtilage are, after the death of Maud, to be held by Robert, Agnes, and Thomas for their joint lives and the life of the last survivor, rendering 10s. annually to the canons, payable at the 4 usual terms, and the accustomed services to the chief lords of the fee. The tenement is to be maintained in good condition by the tenants at their own expense, and may not be alienated in whole, or in part, within the term without the licence of the canons. For any breach of the covenant the canons

¹ The Carmelite friary was f, 1316 by William of Ramshill, father of Peter: KH, p. 235.

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may retake the tenement and retain it and the chattels found in it. Warranty. Indenture sealed. Witnesses: Pet. of Ramshill, Ad. Kenenton, Pet. Barlich, Ric. of Poulton, Wal. Joup. Bradenstoke, Annunciation 46 Edw. III.

- 253 29 Jan. 1380. Notification that Richard [IV], prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent have leased to Philip Wheeler and Agnes, his wife, a tenement in la Grene in Marlborough, situated between the tenement of the vicar of St. Mary's on the north and that recently held by Nicholas Keneton on the south, and also their tenement situated in the middle of la Grene. Philip and Agnes are to hold for life, rendering 6s. sterling annually and performing the accustomed services to the chief lords of the fee. They are to repair the tenements at their own expense before next Michaelmas, or within a month of it. If the rent is not paid at any term, or within 15 days of it, the canons may take and retain the tenements and the chattels found in them. Indenture sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Rob. Warner, Pet. Barlich, Ric. Poulton, Wal. Tanner, Wal. Joup. Chapter-house, Bradenstoke, Sun. before Purification 3 Ric. 11.
- 254 $[23 \times 24 \text{ June}]$ 1380. Indenture made at Bradenstoke on Sunday the eve^a of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 4 Ric. II, between Brother Richard [IV], prior of Bradenstoke, and John Caudel of Marlborough. The canons have leased to John a messuage in Barn Street with the curtilage and meadow adjoining, previously held by Thomas Collingbourne. The property is to be held for a term of 20 years from the date of the indenture, rendering 1d. annually for the first 8 years at Michaelmas, and 2s. annually for the following 12 years, payable at the 4 usual terms, and also the services due to the chief lord of the fee. Within the first 8 years John must build a suitable new house on the plot at his own expense and maintain it throughout the term. He may not demise the house, curtilage, or meadow, or part of them, without licence from the canons. If the conditions are not observed the canons may retake the property and retain it together with any chattels found there. Indenture sealed by both parties.
 - ^a In 4 Ric. II the feast, not the eve, fell on Sunday.
- 255 28 Sept. 1390. Notification that Brother Richard [IV], prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent have leased to Richard Swayn, Joan his wife, Margery their daughter, and Alice daughter of Margery, a plot in Barn Street, Marlborough, which lies between the tenement of John Lange on the north and that of Gilbert Smert on the south. The property is to be held for the lives of Richard, Joan, Margery, and Alice, or for the life of the last survivor. They must render 2d. annually at Michaelmas at Bradenstoke for 12 years from the date of this indenture, and 2s. annually at the 4 usual terms for the remainder of the term, and perform the services due to the chief lords of the fee. The plot must be suitably built on during the first year and the houses built there must be maintained at their expense. If the conditions are

not fully observed the canons may take the plot and houses and the chattels found in them, and retain them at will. Warranty. Indenture sealed by both parties. Bradenstoke eve of Mich. 14 Ric. II.

256 [? early 13th cent.] Notification by Eustace, parson of Wootton, to the king's bailiffs and the people of Marlborough, that he has given to the canons in alms, and confirmed by charter, the land in the township which he bought of Nicholas of Stowell, smith, which is near the steps of St. Mary's cemetery, next to the market-place, and contains 3 shops and 1 store room. He sends the present letters patent, sealed with his seal, begging that in future the canons shall be considered as lords of the burgage, and that it shall be known for certain that he has given them full seisin in the presence of many discreet and honest men, as fully as was possible in the absence of the bailiffs. For greater security let fuller seisin be given in their presence.

257 [? early 13th cent.] Notification by Eustace, parson of Wootton, that, because during his recent illness his seal had been in the keeping of many and divers men, he considered it proper to make it known that if a charter, or other instrument, sealed with his seal, should be shown anywhere it should not obtain credence, since it was not issued with his knowledge, except the charter made to the prior and canons of Bradenstoke concerning 3 shops and a store room, which is in their possession. In order that nobody, on the pretext of any other charter or instrument made during the aforesaid period, should challenge his charter he has confirmed this writing with his seal.

Stowell

258 1247. Agreement made between William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent, and Richard, son of Robert of Stowell, A.D. 1247. The prior quitclaimed to Richard and his heirs the scutage they owe for their land of Stowell in return for 8s. to be paid annually at the 4 usual terms. They also granted Richard permission to have 6 oxen in the pasture with their demesne oxen, except in Trache and Estmede. For their part, Richard and his heirs quitclaimed to the canons the croft in Stowell called Leyecroft, which lies between the land of John of Fairford and that of John Burgeis. Considerations: 1 mark of silver paid by the canons. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Wm. of Huish, Ric. Costard, Wal. Page.

Draycot [Fitz Payne]

259 [? Late 13th cent.] Notification that the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, at the request of Ellis Cotel, lord of Draycot, and other parishioners of the church of Wilcot, have of mere generosity conceded a

¹ Ellis Cotel occ. 1264×90: Ctl. Glastonbury, I, p. 203; ibid., II, p. 446.

chantry chapel, situated in the territory of Draycot. Mass and the regular hours are to be celebrated by the chaplain deputed by the canons for as long as Ellis and his heirs contribute $2\frac{1}{2}$ marks annually at the 4 usual terms towards the stipend of the chaplain. If in the course of time Ellis or his heirs should wish to assign lands or rents to the value of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ marks in a safe place, when it has been done the payment shall cease and the new assignment made by them, and confirmed by the bishop, shall stand. Ellis bound himself and heirs and executors to pay the money at the stated terms to the value of $2\frac{1}{2}$ marks, or more if God should inspire him, for the salvation of his soul and the benefit of the canons. He promised to grant lands and rents as soon as he was able, and when he had done so and the grant had been confirmed by the bishop and chapter this present composition should be null and void. He submits himself and his heirs to the coercion of the archdeacon or his official who may compel him to fulfil the conditions. Seal.

Oare

260 [c. 9 Apr.] 1262. Agreement made towards Easter 46 Hen. III, between the canons and Sir Ellis Cotel, lord of Draycot, by which the canons acknowledge that they hold I hide of land in Oare from Ellis and his heirs in perpetuity. Isabel, daughter and heiress of Robert, son of Ralph of Oare, and her heirs are to hold the land from the canons in perpetuity by the same services as were rendered by her ancestors. The canons are to render I lb. of cummin at Michaelmas to Ellis and his heirs for all suits of court and other services, excepting only the service of the king. Warranty. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Ralph Daungers, Sir Martin de Lee, Sir Hugh de Foresta, Sir Ives of Stourton, knights, Jn. of Langport.

261 [-1232] Inspeximus by Stephen, archdeacon of Wiltshire, son and heir of Adam of Easton, of a charter made to the canons by his father concerning a rent of 20s, in Oare.

1217. Grant in alms by Adam of Easton, for the soul of Felice his wife, of a rent from 1 hide of land in Oare, which had been given to him by Hugh the forester of Minety for his homage and service and an annual rent of 20s., payable at Easter and Michaelmas, and had been confirmed by charter. The canons are to have all homages, reliefs, services, and escheats from the land. Royal service to be rendered when required and 1 lb. of cummin to be paid to Hugh at Michaelmas. To be held of Adam and his heirs. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. Crevequor sheriff of Wiltshire, Jordan of St. Martin, Hugh le Drois, Wm. le Drois, Ste. parson of Tisbury and Geof. his brother, sons of the donor, Phil. of Farley, Ralph de Hauteville.

For greater security Stephen adds his seal. Witnesses: Master Geof. confessor of the bishop of Salisbury, Master Geof. parson of Farley, Master Rob., Ad. of Easton clerk, Ric. de Ducardmund clerk, Thos. son of Thos. clerk, Wm. of Merton clerk, Reynold of Calne, Phil. of Farley.

Easton Royal

- 262 [1139 × 1165] Gift in alms by John, son of Gilbert, of half the township of Easton [Royal], in lieu of the land of Woodhill, which he had intended to give, until the canons can be given Woodhill freely. The gift is free of all service and includes the dwelling-houses in the township and the men belonging to them. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. and Geof. chaplains to Earl Patrick, Sibyl wife of the donor, Jn. his son, Osbert de Horloteria, Ralph the physician, Baldwin of Stowell, and Rob. his son.
- 263 [1165 \times 1194] Confirmation by John, the king's marshal, of the gift of half the township of Easton [Royal], as is shown in his father's charter [262]. The property is to be held until he or his heirs have given the canons Woodhill free and quit of service. After that the whole of Easton [Royal] will remain to him and his heirs. Witnesses: Osbert de Horloteria, Wal. de Lillebone, Rob. son of Corold, Osmund Cotel, P. de Thoceam, Edwin de Stanella, Pet. of Braden.
- 264 [1199 × 1207] Grant in alms by William Marshall [I], earl of Pembroke, for the soul of Isabel his wife, of the church of Easton [Royal].² Seal. Witnesses: Ralph Bluet, Wm. Walerand, Hen. Hussey, W. de Bosso, Eustace the chaplain, Herbert the clerk, W. de Lisle clerk.
- 265 [1199 \times 1207] Letter of William Marshall [I], earl of Pembroke, to H[erbert], bishop of Salisbury, informing him that he has given the church of Easton [Royal] to the canons in free alms. This church is in his gift and he asks the bishop to admit and institute the canons.
- 266 [1199 \times 1217] Letter of William [Marshall I], earl of Pembroke, to H[erbert], bishop of Salisbury, informing him that he has given the canons his right of patronage in the church of Easton [Royal]. He requests the bishop to admit and institute Master P. de Inglesham, clerk of Earl William, to the parsonage of the church on the presentation of the prior.

Standen

- 267 [-1232] Grant in alms by Hugh of St. Martin, lord of Standen, of 6s. annual rent, payable at the 4 usual terms from the land which Nicholas Ancull, reeve, held of him. To be held free from all service. Warranty. Seal.
 - ^a In the Inspeximus of 1232 (675) he is described as Nicholas of Hathill.

¹ John son of Gilbert d. before Mich. 1165: CP, X, pp. 93-5.

² The church was lost early to Mont Ste. Catherine (Seine et Marne), which claimed that Anselm, brother of Earl William, had previously given it to them: Sarum Chts., pp. 301-16.

Ewell

268 [Mid 13th cent.] Grant in alms by Hugh of St. Martin, lord of Standen, of a rent of 10s. to provide a lamp in the church of Bradenstoke to burn for ever before the altar of the Holy Trinity, Blessed Mary, and All Saints. This rent derives from Ewell mill¹ which Richard Wiard and his heirs hold and should hold of him in fee in the manor of Standen, and is payable at the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle and Midsummer. To be held free of all services. If the rent is not paid by whomever holds the mill, the canons may distrain until they have been paid in full. Warranty. Seal.

Ludgershall

269 [1168 \times 1196] Gift by William Boterel for the soul of William, earl of Salisbury, his lord, and on account of the promise he had made to the canons on behalf of Patrick de Montfort, his colleague, of a messuage in Ludgershall which Sadewall the falconer had sold to Ralph the palmer, from whom William had bought it. The canons to hold freely, quit of all demands except 4d. to be paid annually to the castle of Ludgershall for all services. Seal.

270 [N.D.] Memorandum that William, former prior of Bradenstoke, later demised this messuage to Peter Daniel of Ludgershall and Cecily his wife, by indenture, made as before, in the treasury, for an annual render of 18d. Names of Ludgershall tenants in the regnal year 13 [? Hen. III, 1228-9]: W.lliam Knoyel paid 18d. annually; John Shepherd paid 10d. and John

Burgeis 10d.

Afterwards the canons handed over this land in Ludgershall, which had been given to them by Master Robert of Rushall, physician, to Gillian of Ludgershall, widow, and Geoffrey, her son, for an annual rent of 12d. Later William, prior of Bradenstoke, demised to Geoffrey, son of Adam of Ludgershall, this land which Robert of Rushall had given them, rendering 20d. annually to them.

North Tidworth

271 [Mid 12th cent.]² Gift in alms by Roland of all his land in North Tidworth which Benet de Angerville had given him for his homage and service. The canons are to hold freely on the same terms as Benet had granted to Roland [272] and quit of all service except 1 lb. of pepper to be rendered annually to Benet.

272 [Mid 12th cent.] Gift by Benet de Angerville to Roland, his tenant,

Site of the mill unknown. Standen manor was in the parish of Chute: J.E.B. Gover and others, *Place-Names of Wilts*. (Eng. Place-Name Soc., XVI, 1939), p. 341.
 Benet de Angerville occ. as witness to a charter of Earl Patrick (566).

of 5 acres of land in North Tidworth, with a messuage which was once held by Edward. To be held of Benet and his heirs by inheritance, with as much free pasture as pertains to 5 acres, and with a free fold, and quit of all service except for 1 lb. of pepper annually at Michaelmas.

273 [-1232] Gift in alms by Gerard, son of Simon of Combe, of 3 virgates of land in North Tidworth, which are of the fee of the count of Roumare. Of these virgates 2 are held by Peter Scrapyn and the other by W. le Hayward. To be held quit of all service. Seal.

274 [-1232] Grant in alms by Gerard, son of Simon of Combe, of all his rights in lands in North Tidworth, bought and pledged, which belonged to Baldwin, his brother. This land consists of 2 virgates, once held by Peter Scrapyn, 2 virgates once held by Roger of Whitehorse, and 1 virgate once held by W. le Hayward, and ½ virgate which was held by Roselinus of Cirencester. Seal.

Hurdcott

275 [c. 1220×1236]¹ Grant in alms by Henry de la Mare to the church of Bradenstoke, in which he has vowed to be buried, of all his tenement in Hurdcott by Winterbourne [Earls], with all appurtenances in lands and rents, that is: the rent from 1 virgate of land which was held by William of Canford; and from $1\frac{1}{2}$ virgates which Walter Daniel held; and from $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate which Robert of Laverstock held, together with the homages and reliefs of these men and their heirs. He also grants 6 half-virgate plots held respectively by Eve the widow, John Sumner, Henry Goldyng, Senia the widow, Osmund of Hurdcott, and Walter Long, together with these persons and their families. The canons and their assigns to hold in alms for the salvation of Henry and Cecily his wife, rendering 2s. annually to the lord of the fee at Michaelmas for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rob. de la Mare, son of the donor, Master Wm., parson of Alvescot.

Amesbury

276 [1168 \times 1196] Grant by Geoffrey le Veel for the soul of William, earl of Salisbury, his lord, of 12d. from his mill of Amesbury, for the sake of brotherly affection, to be received annually at the Purification in perpetuity. Seal

277 [1168 \times 1196] Grant by William, earl of Salisbury, to Simon, son of Bernard, his tenant, for his services, of 1 virgate of land in Amesbury which Edmund Bonde held, and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate in Winterbourne super montes which

¹ Henry occ. 1227 (Wilts. Fines I, p. 19); 1249 (Civil Pleas, p. 80).

Roger the reeve held. To be held of William and his heirs, rendering gilt spurs or 6d. annually for all services. Simon may keep 4 oxen in William's demesne pasture along with the earl's own oxen. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. the chaplain, Eustace son of Ellis, Thos. son of Wm., Wm. son of Geof., Wm. Boterel, Wm. de Melewis, Patrick de Montfort, Wm. de Freniges, Wm. Blund, Boemund the chamberlain, Jordan son of Ric., Wm. of Newmarket, Rog. Rufus, Rob. Burel, Baldwin de Fercles.

278 [1197 \times 1207] Gift in alms by William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, at the petition of Simon the child, of 1 virgate of land in Amesbury, which William, earl of Salisbury, son of Earl Patrick, had given Simon for his homage and service [277], and which G. le Veel holds from the canons. To render 7s. 2d. annually. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. River, Pet. Burdon, Wm. Talbot, Sim. of Cheverell, Master Wm. the clerk, Thos. of Canford.

West Amesbury

279 [1168×1196] Confirmation by William, earl of Salisbury, of the grant of 12s. made in alms to the canons by Patrick de Montfort out of his rent of Amesbury, payable at Christmas, Hock Day, Midsummer and Michaelmas. The grant is quit of all service except to the king, and that due to Earl William on a rent of 12s. Seal. Witnesses: Thos. son of Wm., Wm. son of Geof., Wm. of Newmarket, Ric. Cotel, Wm. Boterel, Wm. the chamberlain.

Chitterne, Wilton, Langford

280 [1168 \times 1182] Gift in alms by Stephen of Langford of $\frac{1}{2}$ hide of land in Chitterne, a messuage in Wilton which Roger de Porta held of him, and 1 virgate of land in Langford with a messuage, 2 acres of meadow, and pasture for 100 sheep, 12 plough-beasts, 16 pigs, and 1 mare. Seal. Witnesses: Wm., earl of Salisbury, Ric. the sheriff, Wm. of St. Martin, Godfrey Scudamore, Alex. of Cheverell, Reynold Burel, Wm. of Littlecott, Wm. son of Geof., Ric. Cotel, Wal. of Calne, Wal. Giffard.

281 [1168 × 1196] Confirmation by William, brother and heir of Stephen of Langford, of Stephen's charter [280]. Seal. Witnesses: Wm., earl of Salisbury, Hen. of Newmarket, Thos. son of Wm., Pet. Blund, Wm. son of Geof., Wm. chaplain of Earl Wm., Wm. the younger chaplain, Master Rog., Boemund chamberlain, Hamelin Blund, Reynold the baker, Ric. of Stowell.

282 $[1168 \times 1179]^2$ Confirmation by William, earl of Salisbury, of the charter of Stephen of Langford [280]. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. the sheriff, Wm.

¹ Confirmed in 1182 by Pope Lucius III (18).

² Before the death of Richard of Candover (1).

of St. Martin, Godfrey Scudamore, Alex. of Cheverell, Rog.^a Burel, Wm. of Littlecott, Wm. son of Geof., Ric. Cotel, Wal. of Calne, Wal. Giffard, Osbert of Aston, Wm. the chaplain, Wm. son of Warin, Ric. of Candover, Wal. priest of Chitterne, Wal. of Chitterne, Ric. the parker, Nic. de Hispania, Randal Affric', Baldwin Butler.

^a Probably an error for Reynold. See 280.

283 [1168 \times 1196] [A copy of 299, but without witnesses].

Fisherton de la Mare

284 [-1223]¹ Gift in alms by Constance, daughter and heiress of Robert of Stone, for the soul of Godfrey of St. Martin her husband, now at rest in the church of Bradenstoke, of 1 hide of land in Fisherton [de la Mare], of which ½ hide was held by Edmund the tailor, 1½ virgates were held by the donor in demesne, and ½ virgate was held by Walter de Cadihou. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Pet. Scudamore, Jordan of St. Martin, Hugh le Drois, Wm. of Lillington, Rob. le Warre, Wm. of Deptford.

Upton Lovell

285 [c. 1210×1223] Gift in alms by Jordan of St. Martin of 1 virgate of land in Upton Lovell, with all appurtenances except the mill and the messuage belonging to it. The virgate, which used to be an attribute of the mill, consists of 9 acres in one field and 8 acres in the other. In the first field: 1 acre lies on Duddepathesforlang; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre on the hill; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre towards Ashton; 2 acres in the Hole; 2 acres near Westclive; 1 acre near Eastclive; 1 acre in Baggebergesforlang. In the other field: 3 acres lie near the ditch towards Knook; 1 acre near the meadow called Kingmede; 2 acres in Brokforlang towards the east; 1 acre at le Chelputte; 1 acre above in la Langelonde, 1 acre below the township near the road to Corton, and also the meadow called Molemede once pertaining to the mill, and pasture for 42 sheep, 6 cattle, and 1 horse. Warranty. Seal.

Horningsham

286 [Late 12th cent., -1198]² Grant in alms by Robert of Ewyas [II] of the homage and service of Robert, son of Everard, in Horningsham, in rents, wardships, reliefs, and other services pertaining to the donor, and rendering \(\frac{1}{2} \) mark of silver annually at Michaelmas to the canons. Seal.

<sup>Jordan of St. Martin d. before 1223: CRR, XI, p. 115.
Robert of Ewyas (II) d. 1198: Sanders, p. 43.</sup>

Imber

287 [-1207] Grant in alms by Simon of Tockenham, son of Philip of Tockenham, of a rent of 27s. in Imber, that is, the whole rent which Peter, son of Simon of Imber, owes to the donor annually, together with the homage and service of Peter and his heirs. The canons are to hold the rent from Simon and receive it at the 4 usual terms, 5s. at Michaelmas and Easter, 8s. 6d. at Christmas and Midsummer. Nothing further is to be rendered by Peter and his heirs for the tenement, but when royal service is due they will acquit the tenement by the hand of the canons. The canons are to render 1 lb. of cummin annually at Michaelmas to Simon for all services. Warranty.

Chitterne

288 [1168 × 1196] Gift in alms by William of Farley, for the soul of of William, earl of Salisbury, his lord, of half his land in Chitterne, reserving to the earl half the service belonging to it. Seal. Witnesses: Master Wm. steward of the earl of Salisbury, Wal. parson of Chitterne, Thos. of Canford, Wm., Tibbald, Wal. chaplain of Chitterne, Niel of Moredon, Osmund de Berners, Jn. son of Ste.

289 [1168×1196] Grant by William, earl of Salisbury, to William of Farley, his tenant, for his homage and service, of land worth 20s. in his manor of Chitterne, to be held freely of the earl and his heirs, rendering a pair of gilt spurs or 6d. at Easter for all services. Seal. Witnesses: Count Rob. de [Sancto Romano], Godfrey of St. Martin, Walkelin de Ferres, Gilb. de Aquila, Wm. of Newmarket, Rob. of Aston, Wm. Boterel, W. the chaplain, Geof. le Veel, Phil. of Farley, Rog. Rufus, Reynold of Calne.

290 $[c. 1200 \times 1226]^1$ Gift in alms by Walter the falconer of Chitterne, of 1 acre of his land in Chitterne, namely the upper of his 2 acres near la Linch. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Reynold and Patrick, priests, Wal. of Winterbourne tenant of the earl of Salisbury in Chitterne, Ralph Coleman, Wal. of Wallop, Rog. of Chitterne, Pet. of Merton.

291 [c. 1230] Gift in alms by Walter the falconer of Chitterne, for the soul of Emme his wife, of 1 acre of his land in Chitterne: ½ acre in Wowelonde which extends above Cunteborwe and lies between the lands of John Mereden and William Morin; ½ acre lies above le Eldelonde between the lands of William Morin and Adam de Rocham and extends above le Wansherde. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. le Parker, Hen. le Brut, Rog. Coleman, Jn. of Chitterne, Rog. Doleway, Jn. the carpenter, Ric. le Bere.

¹ There was no earl of Salisbury 1226-1337. William Longespee (II) tried for the earldom 1238-42, but it remained with the Countess Ela, his mother, until her death in 1261, by which time both her son and grandson were dead.

- 292 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift of Walter Coleman of 1 acre of land in Chitterne, of which $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies above le Toitte near the canons' acre and the other in la Gore near the acre of William the shepherd. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. chaplain of Chitterne, Wal. of Wallop, Jn. the falconer, Jn. the parker, Jn. son of Rog., Jn. Kene, Jn. of Bradenstoke.
- 293 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Walter Coleman, son of Ralph Coleman, of 2 acres of land in Chitterne, of which 1 acre lies in Hilkedeslade near the canons' acre in the North Field, and the other in Langelonde near the 2 acres of John Snel in the South Field. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wal. parson of Shellingford, Wm. of Merton clerk, Wm. Tresour, Jn. the falconer, Rog. Coleman brother of the donor, Rog. of Chitterne, Rob. the potter.
- 294 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Roger of Chitterne, son of Walter of Chitterne, of l acre of his land in Chitterne, which lies near the acre of Godwin Emme in Dipforlang. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. chaplain of Lyneham, David of Tormarton clerk, Ric. the parker of Hinton, Jn. his son, Wal. Coleman, Ralph de Wonuik, Wm. the squire, Wm. Quintin, Rob. the janitor, Rob. de Meisy.
- 295 [c. 1229]¹ Confirmation in alms by Robert le Veel, son of Geoffrey le Veel, of the gift of 1 virgate of land in the manor of Chitterne made by Maud de Veel his mother, which William, son of Ralph, held of her. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Silvester Lovel, Phil. of Farley, Sim. of Imber, Ralph Coleman, Wal. the falconer, Rog. son of Wal. of Chitterne, Wm. le Veel and Hen. le Veel brothers of the donor, Wm. le Veel clerk, Pet. of Merton, Wal. Malherbe.
- 296 [Early 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Richard the parker of Hinton, for the souls of Agnes, his wife, and John, his son and heir, of 2 acres of his land in Chitterne, namely, 1 acre in the East Field, which Simon held in Hutlangelonde at the head of Geredelande facing west, and the other acre in the North Field stretching to the Greneweie and turning on the outlying bare land (calvam forhurth). Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. of Chitterne, Jn. Falconer, Ralph of Bath, Sim. of Stapleton, Rob. the janitor, Wm. Lentier, Ric. Kane.
- 297 [Mid 13th cent.]² Grant in alms by Roger de Syfrewast of a right of way in the manor of Chitterne, between the houses of Richard Pulchard and Edith, relict of Adam Rudeman, for the canons' beasts, except sheep and pigs, to reach their lands and pastures. To render 12d. annually to Roger, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. If his corn is damaged by the prior's beasts the

¹ Maud, widow of Geoffrey le Veel, and Robert, her son, occ. 1229: CCR, 1227-31, p. 227. ² Roger occ. 1249: Civil Pleas, p. 76.

loss is to be made good according to the view of lawful men. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ralph of Wimborne, Wm. of Tinhead and Jn. his son, Pet. de Wyke, Sir Wm. vicar of Chitterne, Pet. of Winterbourne.

298 [1217] Gift in alms by Richard de Herriard, son and heir of Richard de Herriard, for the soul of Isabel his wife, of 1 virgate of land in Chitterne which Walter, priest of Chitterne, and John, the clerk, his son, held of Richard, father of the donor. He also granted pasture for 82^a sheep in the demesne pasture of his manor of Chitterne, to be kept in the canons' own fold, and for 6 plough-beasts and 8 pigs, quit of pasture dues and pannage. To be held of Richard and his heirs, rendering 1 lb. of cummin annually at Michaelmas for all except royal service. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. de Crevequer sheriff of Wiltshire, Thos. steward of the earl of Salisbury, Hen. son of Aucher, Jordan of St. Martin, Hugh le Drois, Phil. of Farley, Jn. Makerel, Thos. Makerel, Ralph Coleman, Ric. Espurn', Wal. the falconer, and the whole county of Wiltshire.

^a 802 in CChR, 1226-57, p. 159.

299 [1168 \times 1196] Confirmation by Richard de Herriard and Ela his wife, daughter of Roger, son of Geoffrey, of the gift of $\frac{1}{2}$ hide of land at Chitterne of their fee, which Stephen of Langford gave to the canons [281]. This land to be held in alms, rendering 1 lb. of pepper at Michaelmas to Richard and Ela and their heirs. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. earl of Salisbury, Wm. the chaplain, Master Rog., Master Ric., Wm. le Bigod, Wm. Boterel, Thos. son of Wm., Pet. Blund, Ric. Cotel, Ric. of Stitchcombe, Pat. de Montfort, Nic. de Hispania, Boemund, Wm. Gansel, Wm. de Freniges, Ric. the cook of Hatherop, Walerand son of Walerand.

300 [1168 \times 1196] Grant in alms by William, earl of Salisbury, of pasture for 100 sheep along with his sheep in Chitterne. They are to be kept in the canons' own fold, and the canons are to have free access to the pasture and fold without hindrance, or payment of dues. Witnesses: Hen. of Newmarket, Wm. of Newmarket, Thos. son of Wm., Rog. de Palton, Wm. Boterel, Wm. de Melewis, Rob. of Aston, Rog. de Montfort, Geof. le Veel, Jn. Bonet.

301 [1226 \times 1240] Inspeximus and confirmation by William Longespee [II] of a charter of Ela, countess of Salisbury, his mother.

[1226 \times 1239] Gift in alms by Ela, countess of Salisbury, in her lawful widowhood, for the souls of William her father, William Longespee, once her husband, and of all her sons and ancestors, of a croft in Chitterne which lies very near the chapel of St. Andrew on the south, and was once held by Adam le Pope and, after his death, by Roger le Tanner, and after their deaths by Gillian their [sic] wife, together with Gillian and all her family. To be held free of all service. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Pet. parson of Trowbridge, Phil. of Deptford clerk, Rob. of Holt clerk, Jordan nephew of the

donor, Wm. son of Rog., Rob. of Collingbourne.

This confirmation is witnessed by: Sir Nic. Malmains, Sir Ric. Longespee, Sir Hen. de la Mare, Sir Rob. de Plugenet, Rog. of London steward, Thos. Makerel clerk, Valentine clerk.

302 [1233] Confirmation by William Longespee [II], son and heir of William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, for the souls of William his father, Ela his mother, Idony his wife, and all their ancestors, of the gift of 1 virgate in Chitterne, that is, the ½ virgate which Tresmund Culling held and the other ½ virgate which R. Algar held [646]. He also confirms the gift of 1 virgate in the same township made to the canons by William Farley, baker, that is, of all the land he held in Chitterne [288], to be held of William Longespee in alms, free of all services. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. Longespee brother of the donor, Wal. de Pavely sheriff of Wiltshire, Wm. Talbot, Hen. d'Aubigny, Phil. the clerk, Perinus de Saucy, Rob. the clerk. William Longespee adds that when he has a greater seal he will gladly apply it to this present writing.

303 [1231 × 1234] Notification by William Longespee [II] to Sir Richard Marshall, earl of Pembroke, his dear friend and relative,² that at the instance of his mother³ he has granted the canons 2 virgates of land in Chitterne, which is of his fee. These virgates the canons had by the gift of his father and of a certain servant of his grandfather.⁴ This notification was made in the presence of Earl Richard, R[ichard] bishop of Durham,⁵ Sir W. de Vesty, and [Ela] mother of William. If Earl Richard approves he should send letters patent to William and his mother informing them of this.

304 [1239 \times 1261] Notification by Ela, abbess of Lacock, to her stewards, bailiffs, and servants that, with the consent of the convent, she has granted the canons freedom from all services, suit of court, and customs pertaining to her courts of Chitterne and the hundred, for themselves and their men of Chitterne, and the right to hold their tenements there in alms. She also grants that the canons' 60 sheep which used to be kept in her fold may in future be kept in their own fold in Chitterne, together with the 100 sheep which they have there by the grant of William, earl of Salisbury, her father [300]. They are to enjoy free ingress and egress to the fold and pasture without interference from her bailiffs. Warranty. Seals of the abbess and convent. Witnesses: Sir Ralph Daungers knight, Rob. de Holte clerk, Jn. the parker, Jn. the falconer, Jn. of Chitterne, Wal. Coleman.

305 20 May 1347. Agreement between Sibyl, abbess of Lacock, and

¹ William Longespee (II) was still expecting to inherit the earldom of Salisbury.

² Richard Marshall, earl of Pembroke (1231-4), was the grandson of John Marshall and Sybil, his wife, sister of Earl Patrick of Salisbury.

Countess Ela.
 William of Farley, servant of Earl William (288, 289).

⁵ Richard Poore, formerly bishop of Salisbury (1217–28).

Richard, prior of Bradenstoke, concerning the view of frankpledge of the tenants and residents, both on the demesne and in the lordship of the prior in This right was claimed by the abbess, but while the case was pending, the prior exhibited charters of the king and Sir William, lately earl of Salisbury, testifying that the prior and his predecessors had had this liberty attached to their chapel in the township from time out of memory. By the intervention of friends it was settled that the abbess should give up what right she had in the view of frankpledge within the demesne and lordship of the prior, but that she should reserve her rights in the town outside them. In return the prior quitclaimed to the abbess pasture for 15 sheep of the number he had been accustomed to have on the demesne of the abbess, but retaining his rights for his other sheep beyond that number. The indented two-part agreement was sealed by both, the part sealed by the abbess being retained by the prior, and that sealed by him by the abbess. Bradenstoke Whit Sun. 21 Edw. III. [Calendared: Lacock Abbey Charters, ed. K. H. Rogers (WRS. xxxiv, 1978), no. 291]

Wilton

306 [c. 1220 × 1240]¹ Grant by Philip of Calstone to Robert Burdon, son of Alice his daughter, for his service, of the rent from all his land in the marsh of Wilton, namely: 28d. from the lady Parnel of Fugglestone and her heirs; 3s. 9d. from Christine Lentier and her heirs; 10d. from Peter ad Fontem and his heirs, all payable annually at the feast of St. Edith. This rent derives from Philip's land of Stanton which he holds by the service of scutage from the abbess of Wilton. Robert is to hold the rent and the land of Stanton by the service he owes for Stanton, which Philip had given him, and which is shown by the charter Robert holds. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Reynold Mortimer, Rog. de Valenis, Gilb. of Fugglestone chaplain, Reynold of Calne, Wm. Gilbert, Hugh le Drois, Rob. de Hokesham, Hen. d'Aubigny, Hamund of Beckhampton, Ric. Burdon, Ric. of Poulshot, Wm. Oliveri, Hugh Petit, Wm. Burnel, Rog. of Somery, Wm. de Enam, Geof. le Wancy, Ralph Hervici.

307 $[1235 \times 1243]^2$ Quitclaim by Robert Burdon of Stanton to Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent, of an annual rent of 3s. 9d. which they have been accustomed to pay to him for the land they hold of him in the marsh of Wilton, and which they have of the gift of Master John Lentier and Christine his wife [311]. To be held of Robert and his heirs, rendering $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of cummin at Michaelmas for all services. Warranty. Consideration: 16s. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Isamberd mayor of Wilton, Ad. Azams and Jn. Berte bailiffs of Wilton, Ric. of Bedford, Ralph Heruit, Hugh Goldrun, Wm. Fabian, Jn. Vintner, Rob. Isamberd, Jn. Isamberd, Wm. Malgri and Hen. his brother, Ad. son of Ralph Heruit.

¹ Philip occ. 1199 (Wilts. Fines I, p. 64); Geoffrey le Wancy occ. 1249 (Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 154).

² Little is known of the early mayors of Wilton. William Isamberd was hanged for felony in 1258: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, pp. 28-9.

308 [Mid 13th cent.] Gift in alms by John of Bloxworth, with the consent of Edith his wife, of all his tenement situated between the two streams running through the middle of Mechildebrigge in Wilton; all the tenement between the tenement late of Adam Seliman and that of the hospital of St. John of Wilton in Fugglestone; all the tenement near Fugglestone bridge; the tenement in the great marsh lying between the land of William, chaplain of Quidhampton, and that of Richard the shoemaker; all his tenement in Bolebrigge Street, near that of Richard the butler; a certain shop situated near the tayern of John of Bedford opposite the pond; 2s. annual rent of John the tanner from a tenement which was once held by Alfred the smith. The canons are to render annually to the lords of the fees: $6\frac{1}{2}d$, to the earls of Cornwall on St. Andrew's Day; 3½d. to the lepers of St. Giles at Michaelmas: 6d, for a light for St. Edith the Virgin at her feast; 3³/₄d, to the abbess of Wilton; \(\frac{1}{2}\) lb, of pepper to Maurice the bailiff on St. Andrew's Day; 12d, to the house of St. John at Wilton, payable 6d, at Christmas and 6d, at the feast of St. Barnabas; 7d. to Edith, relict of the janitor, on the Gules of August, for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. de Gatestreet steward of the earl of Cornwall, Jn. Thormound mayor of Wilton, Pet. of Barford, Rob. Asce the reeve, Rob. Isamberd, Nic. Birthain, Jn. of Bedford.

309 [Early 13th cent.] Gift by P., perpetual chaplain of the church of St. Edith, Wilton, to Robert of Baverstock, his tenant, for his homage and service, of all his messuage in Wilton in the part of the town called the Marsh, and of all his rent in Minster Street, to be held as freely as he has held and rendering to the lady abbess 2s. 6d. from the messuage in Minster Street, and 3s. 9d. to Philip of Calstone and his heirs from the messuage in the Marsh. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. de Valenis, Phil. the clerk, Jas. the steward, Eustace Isamberd, Pet. Isamberd, Rog. Picot, Master Jn. Lentier, Nic. Isamberd, Wm. of Ashley, Berengar.

310 [Mid 13th cent.]² Sale and quitclaim by Edith, daughter of Adam the tailor of Newnton, on account of her urgent need, of a rent of 3s. 9d. which she inherited from her mother, derived from the tenements which Master John de Lentier once held of the canons in Wilton in the street called Marsh, and which are of the fee of the lady abbess, and which Edith had given to the canons in charity. Consideration: 42s. Seal. Witnesses: Mat. bailiff of Wilton, Wm. mayor of Wilton, Ad. Asce reeve, Marcian, Hugh Goldrun, Roceline le Bonne, Jn. Berte, Ellis Buche, Alban le Tanner.

311 [1235] Gift in alms by John Lentier, with the consent of Christine, his wife, and his heirs, of all the land which he holds in Wilton in the street called the Marsh, once held by Peter Machcisa, rendering 3s. 9d. annually to the lord of the fee at the feast of St. Edith the Virgin. Seal. Witnesses: Rob.

² The mayor is probably Isamberd. John Lentier occ. 1235 (311).

¹ John Thormound held a messuage in Wilton in 1256 (Wilts. Fines I, p. 24), and is mentioned in the inquisition of 1258.

de Plukenet sheriff of Wiltshire, Rob. of Hales clerk, Phil. clerk, Nic. son of Ralph clerk, Wm. of Tinhead, Ric. of Bedford, Hen. Malgri, Ric. de Crawell, Enoch Lentier.

312 [? Early 13th cent.] Lease by the canons to Wulricus Tahium of Wilton and his heirs, of a messuage in Wilton near the West Gate, which was once held by Laurence the butcher of Wilton. To be held in perpetuity, rendering 5s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms. If the rent is not paid the canons may, after half a year, take over the messuage and do as they will with it. Wulricus swore a corporal oath to observe the covenant. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Master Wal. parson of Yatesbury, Master Geof. of Potterne, Wm. of Kennet Bridge, Pet. of Merton, R. Brochard, Rob. clerk of London, Jn. de Cellar.

Little Langford

313 [c. 1243 \times 1260] Notification by William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, that the canons have granted to Ralph Daungers the annual rent of 12s, which he used to pay for 1 virgate of land in Little Langford, of the fee of John of Langford, on condition that he pays them 2s. at Michaelmas in perpetuity for all services, and 5s. entry fee from time to time. The canons are responsible for scutage. They have also granted Ralph the annual rent of 12s. which he used to pay out of his rent of West Amesbury, from the tenement lately held by Rayner de Bungay and Philippa his wife. Ralph and his heirs are to render 2s. annually for all services. The canons warranted these rents in Little Langford and West Amesbury to Ralph and in return he granted them an annual rent of 20s, which they have been accustomed to pay to Adam Buzun for the tenement late of Richard Silvester in Shrewton. This rent Ralph had of the gift of the said Adam, and now warranted it to the canons. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Hen. Hussey, Sir Wm. le Drois, Sir Ste. of Woodford, knights, Nic. de Wylye, Jn. of Langford, Wm. Malewain, Nic. of Winterbourne Stoke, Wal. Lovel, Jn. of Bapton, Eustace de Hulle, Hugh le Ku.

Winterbourne

314 [Early 13th cent.] Sale by Roger Young of Shrewton, son of Roger Martin, on account of his urgent need, of all that virgate of land which he had in Serrington of the fee of Maud of Herriard. The canons to render to Roger and his heirs 10s. annually, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. Warranty. Seal.

¹ Roger occ. 1247 (541).

- 315 [Mid 13th cent.] Confirmation by Alexander of Cheverell of ½ virgate in Shrewton, which is of his fee, which Roger Young, with the consent of Margery his wife, had sold to the canons and confirmed by charter [314]. To render to Alexander and his heirs 5s. annually at the feast of St. Giles for all services.^a
 - ^a A later hand adds: Prior R. fecit fidelitatem apud Wilcot, membris de
- 316 $[1168 \times 1179]$ Gift in alms by Nicholas de Hispania of his land in Winterbourne *super montes*, that is, 3 virgates which William, earl of Salisbury, his lord, had given him for the services he had rendered to the earl and his parents. The canons to hold free of service except for 1 lb. of pepper payable at Christmas to the earl and his heirs.
- 317 [1168 × 1179] Confirmation by William, earl of Salisbury, of the gift made in alms to the canons by Nicholas de Hispania [316]. Nicholas will render 1 lb. of pepper annually to the church of Bradenstoke as long as he holds the land, and the church is to pay the same service to the earl and his heirs at Christmas. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. the chaplain, Ric. of Candover, Master Rog., Ric. of Herriard, Eustace son of Ellis, T. son of Wm., Wm. son of Geof. of Porton, Wm. Boterel, Ric. Cotel, Ric. the parker, Wm. de Frenigis, Rog. the fisher of Hatherop.
- 318 [1168×1196] Gift in alms by John, son of Stephen, for the souls of Earl Patrick and Countess Ela and of Boemund, his lord, of 1 virgate of land in Winterbourne *super montes*, which Boemund had given him for his homage and service. The canons to hold free of all service, except 1 lb. of cummin to be paid annually at Michaelmas to William, earl of Salisbury, and his heirs for the service due to them.
- 319 [1168×1196] Confirmation by William, earl of Salisbury, of the gift made to the canons by John, son of Stephen, of 1 virgate of land in Winterbourne super montes [318]. To be held as freely as John gave it, save for the service of 1 lb. of cummin to the earl of Salisbury, paid annually at Michaelmas. Seal. Witnesses: Phil. brother of Earl Wm., T. son of Wm., Wm. the chaplain, Wm. of Newmarket, Wm. Boterel, Hameline, Rog. de Montfort.
- 320 [1303]¹ Gift in alms by Nicholas Ingram, son and heir of Ives Ingram, of all his land and tenement in the township and territory of Shrewton. The canons to hold as if lords of the fee, paying the accustomed services. Consideration: £40 sterling paid in advance. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. of Highway, Ric. of Highway, Rob. Russell.

Orcheston

321 $[1168 \times 1196]$ [A shortened version of 2, lacking both witness lists].

Honeydown

322 15 Aug. 1267. Gift in alms by Philip Basset for the souls of Fulk Basset of good memory, his brother, once bishop of London, and of Ela his wife, of all his pasture called Honeydown which once belonged to his manor of Upavon, and which stretches in length from north to south and abuts on the north on the pasture of the prior of Upavon, and on the south on the pasture of Sir John Giffard of Winterbourne. In width it stretches from east to west and abuts on the east on the pasture of the prior of Winchester at Enford, and on the west on the pasture of Sir Alexander d'Auney of Rushall. The canons to hold of Philip and his heirs, quit of all suit to the hundred court and other secular demands. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Alex. d'Auney, Sir Andrew Wake, Sir Rob. le Chamberlain, Sir Ellis Cotel, Sir Wm. son of Wal., Sir Thos. le Blund, knights. Assumption 51 Hen. III.

Rushall

323 [1227 \times 1234] Grant in alms by Gervase de Pavely of 3s. 6d. rent in Rushall, to be received annually at Michaelmas from Walter, son of Godwin Huring. He also grants Walter himself and his heirs with their homage, reliefs, and all the lands and tenements they once held of him in Rushall. The canons to hold of Gervase and his heirs, rendering 6d. annually at Michaelmas to the lord of the fee for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. Dacus sheriff of Wiltshire, Rob. de la Mare.

Wilsford

324 [1200 × 1220] Confirmation in alms by H[enry] de Bohun, earl of Hereford, of land worth I mark^a in Wilsford, that is, the virgate of villein land and 6 acres of his demesne which H[umphrey] de Bohun [III], his father, had given to the canons in alms.¹ To be held of Henry and his heirs. Seal. Witnesses: W. the chaplain, Ric. de Venn steward, Luke de Grusy, Hildebert de Greenville, Wm. de Parco, Sim. de Parco, Jn. de Berners, Wm. de Lamberville, Geof. son of William.

a 1 virgate see 590.

¹ Stated to have been left by will: Rot. Cht., p. 170.

Marden

325 $[c.\ 1270 \times 1293]^1$ Gift in alms by William le Norris of Marden, of $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of arable land in the territory of Marden, lying between the land of John of Marden on the east and the road called le Greneway on the west and extending above the marsh to the north and above the land of John the miller, called le park, on the south. To be held of William and his heirs free of all services and of suit to the courts of the hundred and the county. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Silvester Doygnel, Jn. of Marden, Jn. Costard, Reynold vicar of Marden, Ric. of Southcott.

326 [1259 \times 1267] [Another copy of 3].

Coate

327 [-1207] Gift in alms by William of Coate, of 1 virgate of land in Coate, held by Roger Pynel. To be held free of all but royal service. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. son of Everard, Luke of Cannings, Wm. of Durham, Hilary of Beckhampton, Phil. chaplain of Cannings, Wm. Quintin, Hubert Malcovenaunt, Wm. clerk of Calstone, Wm. Malewain, Mic. of Wroughton.

328 [c. 1208×1243] Gift and confirmation by Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, to John of Cannings of all their land in Coate which was given to them by William of Coate [327]. To be held of the canons in fee and by inheritance, rendering 13s. annually for all except royal service. Seal.

Etchilhampton

329 [Early 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Everard Malewain, son of William Malewain, of a third part of ½ hide of his land in Etchilhampton. The canons to render 2d. of silver annually to him and his heirs at the feast of St. Giles for all except royal services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wm. Malewain, Ric. Malewain, P. his brother, Thos. the chaplain, Ric. Blund, Jn. son of Ellis, Ad. Blund, Phil. of Farley, Pet. of Merton, Wm. Burdeville.

^a No witnesses in the Vit. version.

330 [Early 13th cent.] Confirmation by Richard Malewain of the gift made by Everard, his brother [329], of the third part of his land in Etchilhampton. The canons to hold freely of Richard and his heirs, rendering 2d. annually at the feast of St. Giles for all except royal services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Terry physician, Ric. son of Geof. of Etchilhampton, Geof. his brother, Osbert Harold, Phil. of Farley, Ellis de Crepun, Ives of Winesham, Wm. son of Ellis of Etchilhampton.

¹ Silvester Doygnel d. 1293: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 195.

- 331 [Mid 13th cent.]¹ Gift in alms by Roger Lovel of Etchilhampton of all the tenement in Etchilhampton once held of him by William Gegel and later by Walerand. To be held of Roger and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. of Monkton, Hen. of Tilshead, Rob. le Drois, Geof. of Potterne, Rob. of Littlecott.
- 332 [c. 1260×1270] Lease by Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Thomas Lovel for his service, of all the dwelling-house and croft in Etchilhampton which they have of the gift of Roger Lovel, father of Thomas. To render 2s. sterling annually, payable at Christmas and the Annunciation, Midsummer, and Michaelmas, for all services, but reserving reliefs, escheats, and wardships to the canons. The tenement may not be alienated in any way that would cause the canons loss. Warranty. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Wm. son of Wal. knight, Wm. Malewain, Geof. le Blund of Etchilhampton, Rob. le Drois, Jn. Felip, Rog. le Freman, Wal. Lovel. [Calendared: $HMC\ Var.\ Coll.$, IV, p. 99].
- 333 [1269 × 1270] Agreement made 54 Hen. III between William Malewain and [Geoffrey] prior of Bradenstoke. The canons and their men of Etchilhampton may have 24 beasts, of which 8 should be either heifers or bullocks, in the pasture which lies between the field of Rifield and the land that was once Walter de Dunstanville's in breadth, and stretches in length from the pasture called Nyghclose towards the west as far as the stream between this pasture and the land of the prior of Winchester. This pasture is of the demesne of the prior and of William Malewain, except the pasture of Geoffrey le Blund. William's free men and villeins are to have parity in pasture with those of the prior, as they had in the time of William's father, but no more. The prior's men may have their beasts in the pasture after the sheaves have been carried in autumn until after the Purification, as they had in the days of William's father. Their sheep may enter the pasture on Christmas Eve and stay there as long as they have done in the past. William and his men will not overburden the pasture to the detriment of the canons and their men by grazing more beasts than they did in the time of William's father. The prior's men are to have common pasture at all times and in all places with the community of the township, as formerly. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Jn. of Cheverell, Sir Wm. son of Wal., Sir Jn. de Scemailles, knights, Jn. of Langford, Eustace de Hulle, Nic. of Winterbourne, Geof. le Blunt. [Calendared: HMC Var. Coll., IV, p. 100].
- 334 26 Feb. 1285. Mon. after St. Matthias 13 Edw. I. Agreement between Geoffrey [1], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, and William Malewain the elder, William Malewain the younger, Bartholomew le Whyte, Robert Malewain, John Lovel, and Richard le Chaundler. The canons, or their tenants in Etchilhampton, are in future to have as many ewes and sheep

¹ Roger occ. 1240 × 80: *HMC Var. Coll.*, IV, p. 99.

grazing during the whole year in all the lands and pastures of the township as they can support in winter. They may, when it seems expedient, remove their sheep and later return them without objection from William and the others, or their heirs. The canons and their men may graze only their own ewes or sheep in the pasture, or if they have none of their own, only as many as they can over-winter. In return the canons agree that William and the others may pasture their sheep there on the same terms.

It is to be understood that the writing previously made by William Malewain the elder to the canons [333] concerning the pasturing of sheep in Etchilhampton is not affected by this agreement, which stands in all its articles in perpetuity. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Wm. son of Wal., Sir Eustace de Hulle, knights, Alex. of Cheverell, Hen. of Tilshead, Alan of Langford, Wm. of Rollestone, Rob. le Nedelere.

Cannings

335 [1217 × 1224] Gift in alms by William, son of Luke of Cannings, knight, at the instance of William, son of Everard of Rangebourne, for the soul of Master William of Potterne and the souls of the donor's ancestors and successors, of an annual rent of 5s. from his tenement of Cannings, payable by him and his heirs at Bradenstoke at the 4 usual terms. William also concedes, and confirms by charter, that the canons may, if the rent is unpaid at any term, take into their own hands the land which he holds of them in Coate. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. vicar of Cannings, Wal. of Worton, Rog. of Horton, Wm. son of Everard of Rangebourne, Osbert Harold, Pet. of Merton, Phil. of Farley, Rob. de Oville janitor, Ric. de Brembre.

Devizes

336 [-1207] Gift in alms by Roger, son of Everard de Uhersta, of a croft in the street called Rewe outside the walls of Devizes, which Pain held of him at the time the croft was given to the canons, and on which Pain built houses. He also gives another croft in the field called Holecroft. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Quintin, Gerard son of the donor, Ric. de Salern', Ric. le Graunt.

337 [c. 1243×1260] Lease by Brother William [III], styled prior of Bradenstoke, to William Cray and his heirs, of the croft which Pain once held outside the walls of Devizes in the street called Rewe near the town ditch. To render 26d. annually at the 4 usual terms. William Cray and his heirs are to warrant the croft and acquit it for all services. If the rent is unpaid at the stated terms the canons may take the croft into their hands, together with improvements and do as they will with it. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Geof. Hamelyn, Ric. Agge, Hen. le Glover, Jn. le Glover, Wm. Gargat, Nic. Mumham, Rob. Cray.

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338 [c. $1208 \times c$. 1243] Notification by Brother Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, that the canons have leased to John Hagge of Devizes all the land which is called Holecroft under Coffegrove. To be held by John and his heirs in perpetuity, rendering 12d. annually at Michaelmas at Bradenstoke. They are to acquit the land for all services to others. If the rent is not paid at the term, or within half a year of it, the canons may take back the land with all improvements and do as they will with it. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Master J. of St. Peter, Jn. of Stokes, Wal. parson of Shellingford, Wm. of Merton clerk, Wm. the squire, Denis Kene, Rob. the janitor, Ste. the clerk.

Marston

339 [c. 1224] Grant by William of Rangebourne, of all the land in Marston which Robert Smerepull' once held of him, together with Robert, Maud his wife, and all their family, in exchange for release from the annual payment of 5s. to which he and his heirs are bound by the Will of Master William of Potterne, his uncle, and of 135s. The canons to hold freely and quit of all services. Warranty. William retained nothing for himself and swore on the gospels to renounce all legal remedies. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. of Worton, Hen. de Dun, Rob. Roche, Rog. of Bromham.

340 22 Apr. 1224. Case between the prior and convent of Bradenstoke. plaintiffs (actores), and William, son of Everard of Rangebourne, defendant (reum), heard before Walter prior of St. James's Bristol, and Martin prior of St. Augustine's Bristol, appointed by Pope Honorius III, concerning arrears of an annual rent of 5s. arising from the Will of Master William of Potterne. William admitted that he had wrongfully withheld the rent, and gave the prior I mark of silver for the arrears, promising to pay regularly in future. As he was unable to find sufficient security, Sir William, son of Luke of Cannings, knight, at his instance, bound himself and his heirs, under penalty of 100s. from his tenement of Cannings, to pay 5s, annually to the canons at the 4 usual terms. He also made a charter to them renouncing all appeal to the courts, and submitting himself to the jurisdiction of the priors of St. James's and St. Augustine's, and to excommunication, should he or his heirs fail to pay the rent, until the canons were satisfied of the rent and the 100s. Should he lose seisin of his tenement of Cannings, and the canons did not get their rent, he would pay the arrears within the first month of regaining seisin. In every way that W. son of Luke was bound to the canons for his tenement of Cannings, William of Rangebourne was bound to William son of Luke for his tenement of Marston. The morrow of the close of Easter in the year of the Word made Flesh 1224. The seal of David abbot of St. Augustine's, their colleague, was not joined with theirs since, having been exempted by the pope from hearing cases, he knew nothing about this one. Seals of the priors and the parties. Witnesses: Sir Jn. vicar of Cannings, Ric. vicar of Potterne, Wal. of Worton, Rog. of Horton, Osbert Harold, Pet. of Merton, Phil. of Farley, Rog. de Oville the janitor, Ric. de Brembre.

Melksham

- 341 [-1232] Gift in alms by Richard of Highway of all the messuage and land which Roger the Frank once held in Melksham towards Beanacre. This messuage the canons have of the gift of Silvester Lovel [149], in exchange for 2 cotlands in Potshawe and a messuage which Roger the lame once held. To be held of Richard and his heirs. Warranty. Seal.
- **342** [Late 12th cent.] [A copy of 151, but the land is now stated to be $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate and 3 acres].
- 343 6 Jan. 1271. Agreement made Epiph. A.D. 1271, between G[eoffrey] prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, and Jordan atte Stubbe and Alice the weaver his wife, that the canons should demise to them all the tenement which Richard the weaver held of the canons in Crokelescroft towards Beanacre in the parish of Melksham. To be held by Jordan and Alice and their legitimate heirs, rendering 18d. annually, payable at Michaelmas and Easter for all services except wards, reliefs, escheats, and royal service. They are to acquit the tenement for all foreign service. If Alice should die, without an heir, before her husband, he may hold the tenement for life for the same service, and after his death the property will revert to the canons with everything built upon it. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Wm. Seliman, Wm. atte Stubbe, Hugh de Wolmere, Ric. Porchatz, Rob. de la Lupeyete.

Hazelbury

- 344 [-1207] Gift by Walter Crook of a quarry which stretches from east to west from the road leading to his mill, as far as the ditch which Ralph of Box began to dig, and on the south side as far as the road which runs transversely across 3 acres of land and leads to Walter's mill. On the north the canons may dig as much as they wish on his land. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. Crook brother of the donor, with whose consent the gift has been made, Thos. Crook, Ric. Crook.
- 345 [c. 24 June 1306] Lease by Roger Crook of Hazelbury, son of Henry Crook, lord of Hazelbury, with the consent of Eve his wife, of 1 acre of land in the field and territory of Dewdy, within the bounds of Hazelbury parish. This acre lies in the strip in that furlong of which one head abuts on the quarry of Hazelbury, near the canons' land on the north side, and the other end on the middle of the road leading to Crookesmill. To be held by the canons from Midsummer 34 Edw. I for a term of 100 years. Consideration: 6s. 8d. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Crook of Hazelbury, Jn. Turpin, Rob. Russell.

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- 346 [-1232] Gift in alms by Walter Crook, at the petition of Roger, Thomas, Humphrey, and Peter, his brothers and heirs, for the soul of Christine his wife, of the chapel of Hazelbury together with a messuage and croft held by Midwinter, which had been given to the chapel by Walter with all the land pertaining to the croft and with the tithes of his whole demesne at Hazelbury and at Ditteridge, and also on all things on which tithes could be taken, together with the tithes of all his men of Hazelbury and Wadswick, except half of the tithes of sheaves which belong to the mother church. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. Bluet, Rog. de Panton, Hen. of Northampton chaplain, Gregory of Everleigh.
- 347 [c. 1255] Gift in alms by Samson, lord of la Boxe, of 2 acres of land near the acre of Henry Crook, which lies next to the canons' acre near the main road from Bradford to the mill called Crokesmill, together with the quarry which extends to the head of the 2 acres. The canons to hold of Samson and his heirs with free access to the 2 acres and the quarry, rendering at Bradenstoke at Easter a pair of gilt spurs or 6d. at their choice, for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. Crook, Rog. of Calmsden, Rog. de May.
- 348 [c. 1255] Remission by Samson, lord of la Boxe, of the annual rent of 6d. or a pair of gilt spurs, which the canons owe him as rent for 2 acres of land and a quarry, as is shown in his charter [347]. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Hen. Crook, Sir Wm. of Horton, Sir Phil. of [Draycot] Cerne, knights.
- 349 1346. Agreement made in 1346 between Richard, prior of Bradenstoke, and Sir John Roode, chaplain, rector of Hazelbury, that the canons should demise to John all the land they have in Hazelbury recently held by William of Rissington. John is to hold all the land, except the quarry, for life, rendering 3s. sterling annually to the canons at Bradenstoke, payable at Michaelmas and Easter for all services. After the death of John the land is to revert absolutely to the canons. It must not be given, sold, devised, or pledged, or in any other way alienated, and if the rent is not paid at the stated time and place the canons may retake the land and do as they will with it. Indented deed sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Nic. atte Haghe, Reynold Crook, Jn. Crook.

Colerne

350 [Early 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Geoffrey of Colerne, son of Edward the cook, of Colerne, of all the messuage and curtilage which Robert, son of William of Colerne, gave him and confirmed by charter [357], with the addition of the curtilage the same Robert gave to William, brother of Geoffrey. The canons, or their assigns, are to hold of Geoffrey with free access to the messuage, rendering 6d. annually to the lord of the fee, payable at Michaelmas and Easter for all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. of Calmsden, Reynold of Colerne, Pet. the janitor.

- 351 [-1232] Grant in alms by Thomas, son of W. of Colerne, with the consent of Cecily his wife, and of his heirs, of the homage and rent of William de Hesse, for lighting the altar of St. Mary in the church of Bradenstoke, that is, 2d. payable on Christmas Eve, for all services, as is stated in William's charter, and also whatever may pertain to Thomas and his heirs from William and his heirs, or from his tenement. In future Thomas and his heirs may not exact anything from the tenement. The prior of Bradenstoke holds this concession, carrying a penalty of anathema, and has put his seal to the present letters. Seal. Witnesses: Master Hen. son of Ric., G. the official, Martin Horcham.
- 352 [-1232] Grant in alms by Thomas of Colerne of a rent of 2d.^a payable annually at the Annunciation, from the land which Walter de Hesse and his heirs, or assigns, hold of him in Colerne, together with their homage and service, and with everything appertaining to the land. To be held of Thomas free of all service. Seal. Witnesses: Ralph of Colerne, Wm. of Colerne, Wm. de Hesse.
 - a 2d.: 12d. in 357.
- 353 [Early 13th cent.] Confirmation by Ellis of Wraxall of the gift of all the land in his fee in the parish of Colerne at Chelvescroft and elsewhere, which Thomas, son of William of Colerne, his man and tenant, gave to the canons and confirmed by charter [351]. The canons are to hold in alms, as is stated in the charter they have from Thomas. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Eustace son and heir of the donor, T. son of Wm., Pet. of Wraxall.
- 354 [? Mid 13th cent.] Acknowledgment by John of Rudloe, chaplain, that he and his heirs, or assigns, ought to render I lb. of wax, or 6d., annually to the canons at the Nativity of Blessed Mary from the land in Colerne called Chelvescroft, which was once of Gillian, daughter of William, which the canons had claimed and demised to him. The canons may distrain for the rent as often as it is unpaid. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Geof. of Potterne, Wal, de Streche, Mic, son of Edw., Jn. his brother.
- 355 [c. 1260×1285] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, to John of Colerne, son of Robert, son of William of Colerne, of a messuage with curtilage in Colerne which G. the clerk, son of Edward, had given to the canons in alms [350]. John and his heirs to hold freely, rendering 12d. annually at the Annunciation to the canons for all services. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Samson de la Boxe, Sir Hen. Crook, knights, Sir Hugh vicar of Colerne.
- 356 29 Sept. 1286. Agreement made at Michaelmas 14 Edw. 1, between John the franklin of Colerne and Richard the tailor. John will lease to Richard the tailor, of Colerne, a house and a curtilage in Colerne for the joint lives of

Richard and his wife. John holds this house of the canons with access to it between his house and the house of William Ingulf's close, and an exit on the royal road. The curtilage stretches in length from John's chamber as far as his dovecot. Richard is to render 2s. annually to John and his heirs, payable at St. Thomas the Apostle, the Annunciation, Midsummer, and Michaelmas. To be held free from all services, heriot, and from suit of court, except twice yearly to the view of frankpledge. Consideration: 4s. sterling at the treasury paid in advance. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric.^a of Lucknam, Thos. Hall of Ricwood, Wm. Harding.

a Ric.: Vit. has Robert.

357 [1286-] [This item consists of brief abstracts of 350-6, a with the addition of abstracts of 2 charters not given in either cartulary. These are as follows:] Memorandum that Robert, son of William of Colerne, gave to Geoffrey, son of Edward the cook of Colerne, 1 messuage with curtilage, which Edward once held of him, together with the addition to the curtilage made by William, his brother.

Memorandum that the same Thomas [353] gave Walter Hesse a messuage in Colerne, situated between the meadow of John the chaplain and the corner of Thomas's house on the north side, with half the curtilage and his croft on the south side.

* In the abstract of 352 the rent is given as 12d. not 2d. as in the charter. In the abstract of 356 the date is given as 4 Hen. instead of 14 Edw., son of Hen.

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Canford and Poole

358 [Mon. 5×10 June 1174 \times 1179] [A copy of 1 with 6 additional witnesses] Wm. Boterel, Wal. Tuberville, Wm. the younger chaplain, Wal. son of the donor, Geof. le Veel chamberlain of the donor, Rog. of Calne. [Printed: Monasticon, VI, p. 338].

359 [1198 × 1226] Confirmation by William Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, for the soul of Ela his wife, of the gift of the church of Canford, to be held as freely as Richard of Candover, parson of the church, is known to have held. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Thos. Malmains, Wm. [Talbot],^a Lambert the German, Rog. de Hodeng', Ralph de Parco, Jn. Bonet steward, Master Wm. Hawtrey, Master Theoricus physician, Bartholomew of Calne physician, Mat. the clerk, Rob. son of Geof., Geof. le Veel, Hen. Corbyn.

a Supplied from 361.

- 360 [1239 × 1242] Grant by William Longespee [II], earl of Salisbury, to the church of All Saints, Canford, of an oak from his wood of Canford every year at Christmas in perpetuity. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Hervey prior of Bicester, Sir Reynold of Whitchurch, Sir Ste. Longespee, Sir Wm. Turber, Sir Hen. de la Mare, knights.
 - ^a Hervey: Stowe, f. 11 and v. has Henry.
- 361 [1197 \times 1226] Grant in alms by William Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, of pasture for 100 ewes and their lambs on the demesne pasture of Canford, except in gardens, and for wethers anywhere they will in the scrub of the township. Also for 10 oxen, 10 cows, and 1 bull in the demesne pasture along with his own beasts, and also for 12 pigs and 1 boar in the wood of the township. Warranty. Seal. [Witnesses as in 359].
- 362 [1202 × 1207]² Gift in alms by W. Kenebaud, for the health of the soul of William, earl of Salisbury, once his lord, of all his land of Canford which Earl William, son of Earl Patrick, had given him for his homage and service. To be held freely, except the service due to the earl and his heirs. Witnesses: Wm. Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, Wm. Talbot, Wm. Boterel, Ralph de Parco, Wm. de Hawtrey, Master Laurence of Tilshead and Sim. his brother, Jn. Bonet sheriff of Wiltshire and Ives Bonet his brother.
- 363 $[1168 \times 1179]^3$ Grant in alms by William, earl of Salisbury, to the church of St. Mary, Stanley, and the monks there, of a rent of 10s. to be paid annually from his mill of Stratford which a certain William held of him, at the 4 usual terms by whoever holds the mill of Earl William and his heirs, until in some way an assignment of equal value has been made to the monks in exchange. Witnesses: Ric. of Candover, Osbert chaplain of Canford, Wm. son of Geof., Wm. de Botereaus, Rog. de Montfort, Rob. of Aston, Geof. le Veel, Nic. Bubbe.
- 364 $[1250 \times 1257]$ Gift in alms by William Longespee [III] for the souls of William, his father, and Idony, his mother, of all his demesne meadow in Alremede and Dutmede, and of the moor lying to the east of the house once belonging to William Talbot, just as the dykes encircle the moor in his manor of Canford. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. Longespee, Ralph Daungers, knights, Ric. Wickebergh, Hen. and Alex. de Montfort, Walkelin de Rosay, Nic. de Andenere, Jn. de Salceto, Jn. Huberd, Rog. Paye of Poole, Wal. Lovel, Jordan of Christchurch.
- 365 [1197 \times 1226] Grant in alms by William Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, to the church of All Saints, Canford, for the health of the soul of

¹ William was occasionally styled earl 1238-42.

² John Bonet was sheriff in 1202, 1204, 1207.

³ Richard of Candover alive. In 1247 this rent was in dispute with the abbot of Stanley (541).

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Ela his wife, of a rent of 12d. derived from the messuages held by Ralph Twig and Orenga in Canford, to increase the endowment of the vicarage there. He also gave to the chapel of Blessed James of Poole, which pertains to the church of All Saints, a rent of 12d. from the messuage which Athelstane le Deur held in Poole, to augment the vicarage of Canford. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. of Burgate, Wm. Talbot, Rob. de Crevequeor, Ric. Talbot, Geof. de Lisle, Drew le Briton, Thos. de Cormailles, knights, Mat. de Stella, Master Terry, Espurling, Virgil, Matthias, Jn. of Wilton, clerks.

366 1227. Agreement made in the church of St. Paul, Malmesbury, in the year 1227 of the Incarnation, between the canons and Simon de Berengar vicar of Canford, in the presence of the priors of Malmesbury and [Monkton] Farleigh and the dean of Malmesbury, appointed by the pope.

Simon swore to keep faith with the canons or their assigns, as if his lords, over all manner of tithes, oblations, bequests, Peter's Pence, Jews' bonds, and other income belonging to Canford church, and to make a reasonable apportionment so that the canons receive 2 parts of all the aforesaid, excepting wax and candles which belong wholly to them in the mother church, and in the chapel in the cemetery at Canford, and also excepting the silver offered in the mother church and in this chapel, which belongs entirely to Simon, and excepting confessions in the mother church and in the chapels of Kinson and Hampreston, which he holds entirely with his third part, so that he may honestly serve the church and chapels and sustain all the burdens on them, and not claim anything for himself in the pasture of the countess of Salisbury in Canford, except 2 marks which he has wholly from the chapel of Poole by the hand of the prior.

The canons also have 20d. annually from land worth 2s. which William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, and the Countess Ela, his wife, gave to the endowment of the church of Canford and the chapel of Poole, that is 16d. for 2 parts belonging to them and 4d. for the service of the men holding the land. Concerning these matters Simon swore to be faithful, true, and as useful as he could. He would observe all the articles of this composition under penalty of £100 to be paid to the canons as often as he offended. He renounced all legal remedies. Seals of parties and judges.

367 [1250 × 1257] Gift in alms by William Longespee [III] for the health of the soul of Idony his mother, of all the land in Kinson held of him by William Laghful, Sabine the widow, Alfred le White, William Gandre, William a la Lake, Walter le Wyne, William Tod, Walter Tod, Sewin ad aquam, the widow of Fromund, Thomas le Kyng, Simon son of Gilbert, Thomas le Preest, Robert Molle, Geoffrey the miller, Nicholas Akerman, Geoffrey Goul, Geoffrey Bullock, John le Hooper, Robert Brende, Roger Newman, Simon Young, Edith the weaver, Robert le Norris, William le Goul, William le Craft, William Theodolf, William Talpayn, Alan de Cudehull, Herefray and Walter Upright.

The canons to hold all these people and their offspring of William and his

heirs until they have been provided with rents or lands of greater value, or an adequate ecclesiastical benefice. If the land of any of these people falls into the hands of the canons they need not pay suit to his court, nor to the hundred court. Warranty. The canons, for their part, must provide 2 chaplains to celebrate divine service in the chapel of Canford manor house in perpetuity, that is one mass for St. Mary and another for the dead. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Arnold de Bosco, Ric. Longespee, Jn. Eskillyng, Ralph Daungers, knights, Rich. de Wickebergh, Hen. and Alex. de Montfort, Walkelin de Rosay. Chirograph sealed by both parties and witnessed by the above witnesses, together with Sir Hugh de Foresta, Sim. and Wm. de Beauchamp, Rob. de Horkelee, Jn. Bec, Jn. Daungers, Wal. Lovel.

^a No witnesses in Vit.

368 25 June 1284. Gift in alms by Henry de Lacy, earl of Lincoln, lord of Ros and Brecon, and Margery his wife, of all the land in Kinson held of them by Ralph Craft, Nicholas Craft, Isabel Bosse, Walter atte Hoke, Englesia in la Heth, Henry le Norris, John Bosse, William Donk, Adam Lincock, Nicholas the carpenter, and Walter Tod, their villeins, together with these people and their families and chattels. The canons to hold freely until Henry, Margery, or their heirs provide lands or rents of greater value, or an adequate ecclesiastical benefice. If the land of any of these villeins falls into the hands of the canons, they need not pay suit to the court of Henry or his heirs, nor to the hundred court. Warranty until new provision made. The canons are to find a chaplain to celebrate divine service in the chapel of Henry's manor house of Canford in perpetuity. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Rog. de Torpynton, Jn. de Clavering, Wm. de Stapham, Jas. de Neville, Rog. le Peytevyn, knights, Hugh de Wirn', Wm. de Novy. Canford 25 June 12 Edw. I.

^a No date or witnesses in Vit.

369 [1284] Notification of the terms of the foundation and ordination of the chantry chapel of Canford, as shown in the concessionary charters and letters made in alms to the canons by divers lords for the health of their souls, and confirmed by papal bulls.

The chapel is to be free from all secular exactions; 3 priests are to celebrate daily in perpetuity for the souls of the founders and of all the faithful dead; access is to be unhindered by any lord or his servants, although the chapel is within the lord's manor; the priests are not to submit to the lord's will, except of their own accord.

If by the negligence of the priests, there being no serious illness, no licence issued by the prior of Bradenstoke for travel, and no other business to be done, the mass is not celebrated daily, the 3 priests are bound to pay a *modus* of corn

William Longespee (III) gave land and 24 villeins for the support of 2 chaplains (367). Henry de Lacy gave land and 11 villeins for a third chaplain (368). The Mortmain licence was issued 18 Oct. 1284 (561).

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each day for the transgression and in compensation for alms, lest the souls of the dead, lacking prayers, are seen to be defrauded. This corn should be distributed, not to the lord of the place, nor to the prior of Bradenstoke, who could rightfully claim it, but to the most needy chaplain who, on account of weakness, is unable to celebrate. If there is a clerk in the place, or an anchorite, or even 3 poor persons, who are believed to be able by their prayers to make good for the defection of the priests, the corn should be distributed, lest the souls trusting in the alms should suffer hell.

Moreover it should be noticed that in the privileges granted to the chapel it is stipulated that all oblations offered there either by the lord of the manor, if resident, or by others of the faithful, and the wax offered at the Purification for the usufruct of the rector, remain to the chapel. The third part of the silver belongs to the vicar, as is right, but concerning the wax he is not able by law or by custom to claim anything for himself.

Wimborne Minster

370 15 Mar. 1286. Demise by Christine Wimborne, wife of Richard Warin, of all her tenement in Wimborne Minster. She has surrendered the charter which her husband had from the prior so that she should have no further claim. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. Parkadys, styled the warrener etc. Wimborne Minster Fri. after St. Gregory the Pope 14 Edw. [1].

371 [c. 1208×1243] Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, to John Sampson, of the canons' land in Wimborne, which is at the corner of the cemetery of St. Cuthberga in Wimborne to the north-east, and was once held by Walwin. To render 5s. annually to the canons, or their assigns, at the 4 usual terms. John is to acquit the canons for all services, dues, and demands. If the rent is unpaid for a year the canons may retake the land, and do as they please with it. Seal. Witnesses: Thos. of Canford, Jordan of Kingston, Alan the reeve of Kingston.

Lillington

372 15 July 1215. Gift in alms by William of Lillington for the soul of Godfrey of St. Martin, his lord, of a third part of his land of Lillington, namely from his demesne in the South Field: in Brodfurlong 6 perches of land, each perch being of 15 ft.; in Langfurlong 5 perches and 12 ft. in one place and 8 perches 10 ft. elsewhere in the same furlong; in Longcrofta del north 4 perches and 2 ft.; in scortecia 6 perches; in Longacrofts de Suth 5 perches; in the croft of villeia 11 perches 5 ft.; in the croft by Knyghton wood 11 perches; in Bali 5 perches 10 ft.; in scortehunterpe of the south 5 perches 13 ft.; in the legha before the gate of Osbert 4 perches 12 ft.; in Shortehunterpe of the north 5 perches 7 ft.; in Langehunterpe 3 perches; in the furlong facing the thicket of Belya 3 perches 6 ft.; in the furlong near the road from Buleya

3 perches 10 ft.; at Mercundeb'gham 2 perches 3 ft.; in Haggeleslonde 6 perches; in Quereston 6 perches 5 ft.; in the furlong of Upeleia at Mildebergham 6 perches 10 ft.; in the same furlong $\frac{1}{2}$ acre called the short half-acre [?]; and at the foot of the same furlong towards the south 3 perches; in Stanhurste $\frac{1}{2}$ acres in exchange for 1 acre which Richer held and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre which Philip de Chartrey held.

Of his demesne in the North Field: in Heiforlang 6 perches; in Stonilonde 4 perches 10 ft.; in Ridesob'ham of the west 6 perches; in Rindessebeham of the east 4 perches 4 ft.; in Langeseobeham 11 perches at Bledelesbergham 7 perches; in Gotlega 5 perches $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft.; in Buriforlang 6 perches and all the rest of this furlong, in exchange for 1 acre which Bricher held and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre which Philip de Chartrey held; in Goddon of the north 4 perches; in the same furlong near the land of the church 4 perches 3 ft.; in the same furlong near the land of Richard Screpekake 3 perches 5 ft.; in the same furlong near Screpecrofta 6 perches; in Screpecrofta 15 perches 4 ft.; in Hoke opposite one scorta 5 perches 6 ft.; in Brodemore 1 acre and all the furlong of Northrebacwey to make a court.

He also gives for villein land in the North Field: in Hoke opposite the high road 4 perches above the road; in Goddon 1 acre for building a messuage for the same villein land. In the South Field: in Binlonde 1 acre; by the hedge of Picot $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres; in Stonchuste $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres with meadow in Brodemede assigned to the villein land.

He also gives 4 villeins with their families: Nicholas, son of Ailwin, with his tenement of $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres in each field and meadow; Walter Regem with his tenement of 4 acres in one field and 5 acres less 1 perch in the other, with meadow; Jordan Bocher with his 6 acres in one field and 4 acres in the other and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Mudemore, with meadow and thicket; Walter de Hoke and his 8 acres in each field, with meadow. Also the homage and service of Philip de Chartrey and his heirs which they owe to William, and the homage and service of John Fronmide and his heirs from a burgage in Sherborne.

He also grants a third of his meadow in Lillington, that is, a third of Brodemede near Hurnepole, and both the little meadows under Stunbe towards the north, and of the long meadow towards the north, and of Blakelake towards the west, and of Foulputteslake towards the west. Also the third part of all his groves, the third part of Hyhey towards the south and the third part of the high road at Holeie by the footpath as far as Rueleishurne, opposite Walter's close, and a third part of Bakwey towards the north. Also pasture everywhere in his demesne for 8 oxen and for pigs and cattle and sheep without number in the common pasture. It is to be noted that all the arable lands he has given to the canons in both fields lie to the west and south of the furlongs in which they are situated. The canons are to hold of William and his heirs, rendering only royal service pertaining to a third of his lands. Warranty. The gift was made Id. Jul. 17th year of the king. Witnesses: Jn. king of England, Master Ric. Marsh his chancellor, Ralph de Neville.

^a Both texts partly illegible. They appear to read: di curt' acr'.

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- 373 1215. Grant in alms by William of Lillington. [As 372 but without details. Thomas of Canford is added to the witnesses].
- 374 [-1232]. Gift in alms by Bricher, son of Adam, for the soul of Gillian his wife, of 2 acres of land in Lillington, of which 1 acre is in the West Field above la Leye, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre is in the North Field above la Berforlang, and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre is in the same field by the mere. He also gives common of his pasture of Lillington for the demesne oxen, sheep, and cattle of the canons along with his own oxen and sheep. The canons are quit of all services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ad. of Easton, Rob. son of Warner, Jn. of Compton, Pet. of Merton.
- 375 [Early 13th cent.] Confirmation by Walter le Child, at the petition of F. his wife, and of his heirs, of all the lands and tenements in Lillington which William of Lillington gave to the canons in alms [372]. The canons to hold the property as freely as it was given them by William and to render to Walter and his heirs as much royal service as pertains to one third of the township of Lillington. Warranty. Seals of Walter and his wife. Witnesses: Wal. de Stures, Rob. vicar of Burton, chaplains, Wm. le Poer sheriff of Dorset, Hen. of Haydon.
- 376 [Early 13th cent.] Confirmation by John of Compton, at the petition of Alice his wife, and of his heirs, of all the lands and tenements in Lillington which William of Lillington had given to the canons in alms. To be held freely, as is stated in William's charter, rendering to John and his heirs only the royal service pertaining to a third part of Lillington. Warranty. Seals of John and Alice. Witnesses: Wal. de Stures and Rob. vicar of Burton [Bradstock], chaplains, Wm. le Poer sheriff^a of Dorset.
 - a sheriff: Stowe has vicar.
- 377 [c. 1260] Lease by Brother William [III], styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Laurence of Compton, for his homage and service, of all the lands the canons have in their manor of Lillington, given to them by William of Lillington [372]. To be held in fee of the canons and their successors, rendering 20s. sterling annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Easter and Michaelmas for all services and suit of court, but reserving to the canons all wardships, reliefs, and escheats of the heirs of Laurence, and also the right to distrain on the fee if necessary. Laurence and his heirs are to acquit the land for all royal service and other exactions, secular and ecclesiastical. Consideration: 40 marks sterling. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Sir Rob. of London, Sir Eudes de Bokeford, Sir Wm. de Beklee.

¹ No sheriff of this name has been found.

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Limington

- 378 $[1259 \times 1283]^1$ Notification by John de Beauchamp, lord of Dundon, that he has heard and understood the charter made by Sir William de Forz, knight, once lord of Dundon, to the canons in alms. [382 cited verbatim]. John with the assent of Cecily, his wife, and of his heirs approves this quitclaim and confirms it to the canons in alms. Warranty. Seals of John and Cecily. Witnesses: Sir Ric. of Coleshill, Thos. of St. Vigor, Jn. of Holt, knights.
- 379 [c. 1200×1223]² Gift in alms by Godfrey of St. Martin, for the soul of Constance his wife, of all his land of Limington, which William Malet had given him for his homage and service. To be held of Godfrey and his heirs, rendering 1 lb. of cummin annually at Michaelmas for all services except the king's, namely the fifth part of the service of one knight. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jordan of St. Martin brother of the donor, Ric. Savage his sister's husband, Wm. of Lillington.
- 380 [c. 1200 \times 1223] Confirmation by Jordan of St. Martin of the gift of all the land in Limington which Godfrey of St. Martin, his brother, had given in alms, rendering 1 lb. of cummin annually at Michaelmas for all service except the king's, namely the service of a fifth part of a knight's fee. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Savage, Rob. le Warre, Sim. the chaplain.
- 381 [c. 1216×1249]³ Confirmation by Hugh de Vivonia of the gift of all the land in Limington, which is of his fee, and which William Malet, his predecessor, gave to Godfrey of St. Martin and his heirs, and which Godfrey gave to the canons in alms. To be held freely rendering royal service when demanded, namely, for the fifth part of a knight's fee. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. de Hauteville, Jas. son of Gerard, Rob. de Vivonia.
- 382 [c. 1243 × 1259] Quitclaim by William de Forz, knight, lord of Dundon, of suit to his court of [Compton] Dundon, which he is accustomed to exact for the tenement which the canons hold of him in Limington, and of all royal services due to him and his heirs for the tenement. Seal. Witnesses: Reynold Dinesthorn, David of Wilton, Mich. parson of Shipton.
- 383 [1283 × 1320]⁴ Quitclaim by Cecily de Beauchamp, lady of [Compton] Dundon, in her lawful widowhood, of all suit to her court of Dundon, which

John succeeded William de Forz in 1259 and d. 1283: Collectanea, p. 114.
 The widow of Jordan occ. 1223: Rot. de Oblatibus et Finibus, ed. T. D. Hardy (Rec. Com., 1835), p. 100.

³ For this charter see 382 and Collectanea, p. 114.

⁴ John de Beauchamp d. 1283, Cecily his wife d. 1320: Wilts. Ing. p.m., I, p. 427.

William de Forz, her father, had been accustomed to exact from the canons for the tenement they hold in Limington, and of all royal service due to her and her heirs. The canons are to hold in alms. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Nic. de Montfort, Jn. of St. Lo, Rob. de Wodeton.

Chilcompton

384 27 Jan. 1322. Letter of John de Godlee, dean of the cathedral church of Wells, and the chapter, stating that they have found the following letter in the archives:

[1174 × 1191] Grant by Gilbert de Perci, lord of the fee, at the petition of Sir Reynold, bishop of Bath, of the church of Chilcompton to the church of St. Andrew, Wells, as a perpetual prebend. This gift was made on the altar of St. Andrew's. Witnesses: Hen. [archdeacon] of Exeter, and others.

In testimony of this John de Godlee and the chapter have applied their common seal. Wells 6 Kal. Feb. A.D. 1321. [Calendared: Wells Cath. Misc., p. 109].

385 [1189 \times 1191] Grant in alms by Reynold, bishop of Bath, with the consent of Alexander, dean of Wells, and the canons of the church of Wells, of the church of Chilcompton, rendering 1 bezant annually to the canons of Wells at Michaelmas as a pension towards their food allowance. Witnesses: Wal. prior of Bath, Alex. dean of Wells, Master Rob. of Guildford. [Calendared: Wells Cath. Misc., p. 109].

386 [1192 × 1197] Confirmation by Savary, bishop of Bath, of the grant made in alms by Reynold of good memory, his predecessor, to the canons of Bradenstoke of the church of Chilcompton for their appropriation. The grant was made with the consent of Alexander, dean of Wells, and the canons of that church. Seals. Witnesses: Ric. of Coutances archdeacon, Baldwin chancellor of Salisbury, R. de Bonville, Lewis Breiboef. [Calendared: Wells Cath. Misc., p. 109].

387 [1197 \times 1205] Notification by Savary, bishop of Bath and Glaston-bury, that having observed the good living of the canons of Bradenstoke, he has confirmed to them the church of Chilcompton, which had been given to them by Reynold, bishop of Bath, his predecessor. The church and its priests are to enjoy the same freedom that they are known to have had while the church was part of the prebend of the church of Wells. Seal. Witnesses: Master Alex. dean of Wells, Master Wm. precentor of Wells, Master Alan the official. [Calendared: Wells Cath. Misc., p. 110].

388 [1216 \times 1227] Notification by the prior of Ivychurch, the chancellor and the succentor of the church of Salisbury, that they were appointed by Pope Honorius [III] to investigate the claim submitted to him by the prior

and convent of Bradenstoke, that the abbot and convent of Glastonbury and others, clerks and laymen, of the dioceses of Lincoln, Salisbury, and Bath have injured them in regard to tithes, possessions, rents, and other matters. On this papal authority a case was heard before them between the canons and Roger Tyrel, knight, concerning long-disputed tithes of mill.

It was settled that Roger Tyrel and his successors must in future pay the tithes to the canons without dispute, or diminution, and without deduction of rent or expenses. The judges have given a mandate to the subdean of Wells to put the canons into full possession of the tithes.

389 11 Aug. 1278. Letters of the prior and convent of Bradenstoke. stating that they had brought a case, in the name of their church of Chilcompton, before the dean of Wells, against Gunilda Vellene, executrix of William de Vellene her late husband, a tenant of Adam de Button in Chilcompton, concerning the mortuary payment. Adam agreed, for himself and his heirs, that on the death of his tenants in the township after the heriot of the ground, namely, the best farm horse, had been paid then, if 4 horses remained, the canons might take whichever one they chose. If, however, the value of that one was, by estimate, more than a quarter of the value of the 4 horses. the excess should be divided in proportion between the successor of the deceased and the canons. If more than 4 horses remained after the lord's heriot was paid, the canons might take the best one without question. If only 3, 2, or 1 remained they were to be valued by men of the township and the canons should have a quarter of the value. If only I farm horse remained and some small animals, such as calves, sheep, or pigs, worth three times as much as the horse, the canons might have the horse. If no farm horse remained, but there were 4 or more small animals the canons might take 1. If fewer remained they were to be valued, as aforesaid, and the canons might have one quarter of the value. A chirograph was made, I part for the canons and the other for Adam. Bradenstoke morrow of St. Laurence the Martyr, A.D. 1278. [Translated: Wells Cath. Misc., p. 110, from a 16th-century transcript, which gives the date as 1378 and Adam de Button as Adam de Sutton].

390 [1216 \times 1227] Report by the prior of Ivychurch and the chancellor and succentor of the church of Salisbury, appointed by Pope Honorius [III] to hear the dispute between the prior of Bradenstoke and Henry Hussey, knight, concerning certain tithes. It was settled that Henry and his heirs were to pay 2s. annually to the mother church of Chilcompton as tithe from their quarry situated within the limits of that parish. Moreover, tithes of hay, herbage, and animal fodder, and all other tithes which they should rightfully pay to God and the church were henceforth to be rendered faithfully. Both parties renounced legal remedies and submitted to the judges. If either side should break the agreement they would be compelled to observe it under a penalty of 40s. Seals. Witnesses: Master Hen. of St. Edmund, Master Giles of Bridport, Wm. of Durnford. [Calendared: Wells Cath. Misc., p. 110].

Kilmersdon

- 391 [c. 1195×1220] Gift by Hascolf de Soleign to John of Wiltshire, his free man, of the croft, land, and messuage which Robert the forester, brother of John the clerk, held in Kilmersdon. To be held of Hascolf and his heirs for homage and service, and for 6d. paid annually at 5 terms, just as the other men of the township pay for all service but the king's. He also grants all rights of common and liberties which free men have in the manor of Kilmersdon. Witnesses: Ralph de Soleign, Wm. de Felgeroles, Pain of Walton.
- 392 [-1232] Gift in alms by Ralph de Soleign of all the land in Kilmersdon which Edith the ale-wife (braceresse)^a held. He also confirms to the canons the rent and service of John of Wiltshire and his heirs for the land they hold in the township. John and his heirs are answerable to the canons for all that they have been accustomed to render to Ralph. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de Perans, Hen. de Carville, Ric. de Briton.
 - ^a Braceresse: Stowe, f. 120v. has Bakeresse.
- 393 [c. 1250×1260]² Grant in alms by Henry the chaplain, son of John de la Lye, of all the annual rent which Richard the tailor of Kilmersdon is accustomed to pay, and also anything pertaining to this rent in homages, reliefs, wards, and escheats. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Geof. of Bingham, Andrew de Soleign, Andrew of Stratton.

Bath

- 394 [c. 1207] Gift by Hugh Hussey to Sir John of Bath, son of Alfred Tulet, for his homage and service, of all his tenement in Bath, situated between the houses of William the tailor and Peter the chamberlain. To render 12d. yearly for all service, at St. Peter's Chains. Witnesses: Hen. Hussey, Hubert Hussey, Jn. de Mareys, Geof. de Turberville.
- 395 [1198 \times 1223] Gift in alms by Gaskell, son of Jordan de Weston, and Clarice his wife, daughter of David of Bath, to the canons, of all their burgage in Bath, which is between the houses of Ralph Absolon and William the tailor. To render 4d. annually for the royal service. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rob. prior of Bath, Master Giles of Winchester, Gervase of Bath.
- 396 [-1207] Grant in alms by Hugh Hussey of 12d. annually from his rents in Bath, from the land which John of Bath, son of Alfred Tulet, holds of him,

¹ Hascolf held Kilmersdon in 1212: Bk. Fees, I, p. 83. ² Geoffrey de Bingham occ. 1259: Wilts. Fines, I, p. 52.

which is near the house of William the tailor [394]. The rent to be paid to the canons at St. Peter's Chains by the then holder of the land. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. de Vicha, Wal. his son, Ric. de Ford, Durand of Bath.

397 [c. 1198 \times 1223] Gift in alms by John Tulet, son and heir of John Tulet of Bath, of all the tenement in Bath which lies between the houses of Ralph Absolon and William the tailor. To render 4d. annually for royal service. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Gilb. the goldsmith of Gloucester, Rob. the glazier of Gloucester, Wm. de Burdeville.

398 [c. 1210×1232] Quitclaim by Gaskell, son of Jordan of Weston, for himself and his heirs, of the 12d, which he has unjustly taken from the canons, contrary to the charter made to them by him and Clarice his wife, daughter of David of Bath, for a certain burgage which lies between the messuages of Ralph Absolon and William the tailor [395]. This charter has been sealed so that he cannot again claim this rent. Witnesses: Sir Thos. de Maci knight, Sir Wal. parson of Wetton, Wm. (Willo) de Dant', a Thos. clerk of Winterbourne.

a Probably error for Miles (Milo) of Dauntsey.

399 [c. 1198 \times 1223] Acknowledgment by Walter the tailor and his heirs that they should pay 40d. sterling to the canons for the tenement they hold in Bath, which lies between the houses of Ralph Absolon and William the tailor. The rent is payable at Midsummer, Michaelmas, Christmas, and the Annunciation, and if it is not paid for half a year the canons may retake the tenement and do as they will with it. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sewin of Bath, Gervase of Bath, David le Petit.

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Bristol

400 [1173 × 1183] Gift by William, earl of Gloucester, to Walter his harper, for his homage and service, of the land formerly held by Chinemerus the oxherd, near the land of Gilbert of Ridgeway in the street where they make copper pans. To be held by Walter and his heirs by the service of a dish of beans rendered annually to William's exchequer at Bristol. Witnesses: Hawise the countess, H[amon] de Valoignes, Ric. of Cardiff, Sim. of Cardiff, [Ric.] earl of Clare, Reynold son of Sim., Guy de Roche, Gilb. Damory, Gilb. Crook, Gilb. Seymour, Gilb. the chaplain, Rob. son of Gregory, Orewone son of Gregory, Wm. son of Gregory, a Jordan the clerk who wrote this charter, Master Hen. [Printed: F. M. Stenton, The First Century of English

^a The last three witnesses occur only in Vit.

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Feudalism, p. 267 (from Stowe, f. 122); Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 166 (from Vit. f. 38)].

401 [c. 1150×1166] Notification by William, earl of Gloucester, to his steward, reeves, and bailiffs of Bristol that he has granted the canons quittance of toll on everything that they or their servants sell or buy in Bristol for the benefit of their demesne, and has forbidden his officers to harass them from now on. Witnesses: Countess Hawise, R. son of Earl Wm., Gregory de Turri, Rob. Dalmeri steward, Ric. of Cardiff, Lewin the chamberlain, Picard the clerk, Jordan le Warre, Elwin son of Serun, Hervey clerk.

[Printed: Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 35].

- 402 [-1207] Gift in alms by John, son of William, chaplain of Redcliff, of all his land, once held by Richard de Mera, which is opposite the belfry of St. Mary's church, Redcliff. To be held freely by the canons, rendering 7d. landgavel annually to Walter Connyn and his heirs, that is, 2d. less a farthing at Michaelmas, Christmas, Hock Day, and Midsummer for all services. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. priest of Redcliff father of the donor, Thos. and Reynold chaplains, Hen. and Edw. deacons, Joscelin brother of the donor, Boidinus de Ros, Wm. Fresel, Gilb. of Imber.
- 403 [c. 1200×1227] Acknowledgment by Roger, son of Nicholas, that he and his heirs ought to render 2s. sterling annually, payable at Michaelmas and Easter, to the canons or their assigns, from the land they hold of the canons in Redcliff, Bristol, opposite the belfry of St. Mary's church, which John, son of William the priest of Redcliff, gave to the canons in alms. Roger and his heirs are bound to acquit the land for all services and customs. If they fail to pay the rent at the stated terms, or to acquit the land, they will forfeit their right to the land and buildings and the canons may retake them without opposition after the rent has been unpaid for a year. Seal. Witnesses: Reynold chaplain of Redcliff, Mat. of Clevedon, Laurence Seymour, Wal. Tilli, Ric. de Troham, Thos. Hareing, Master Vincent, Rog. Terri, Boidinus de Ros, Phil. of Farley, Wm. de Burdeville, Ellisa de Crepun.
 - ^a Ellis: Henry in Stowe, but this seems to be an error. See 410.
- 404 29 Aug. 1232. Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Henry of Wilton and his heirs, of all the land in Redcliff Street, Bristol, which Boidinus de Ros once held of them. Henry and his heirs are to hold the land rendering 1 mark of silver annually, payable at the 4 usual terms and they are to acquit the land for all demands and pay a relief of 12d. If the rent, and the relief when due, are not paid at the stated terms the canons may take back the holding and improvements without objection. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Phil. Long, Wm. Blakeman, Mic. Beolf, Wm. Gape, Thos. of Hageman, Wm. the clerk, Wm. the squire, Jn. of Draycot. The

wife of Henry, should she outlive him, may hold the tenement for life by the same service. A.G. 1232, 16 Hen. III, Decollation of St. John the Baptist.

405 25 Apr. 1306. Notification by Brother Hugh, prior of Bradenstoke, that the canons have released to John le Crips and his heirs 3s. 4d. of the mark that they have been accustomed to receive at Bristol for a certain tenement in Redcliff Street, which Henry of Wilton once held of them [404]. John and his heirs to render 10s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms, and also the services set out in the charter to Henry of Wilton. Seal. Bradenstoke St. Mark 34 Edw. I.

406 [1306] Acknowledgment by John le Crips of his obligation to pay the canons 10s. annually at the 4 usual terms for the tenement he holds of them in Redcliff Street, Bristol. He pledges his own tenement in the same street, situated between the tenements of Thomas Coker and Richard Colpek, to the canons, who may distrain on it and hold the distress until the rent, arrears, and damages are paid. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Ralph, Jn. de Leye, Thos. le Veltar, Ric. Colpek, Jn. Wilescote.

407 [-1207] Gift in alms by Adam Turgod of his land in Redcliff which he bought from Walter Gebbel. The canons to hold freely, rendering 3d. annually to the lord of the fee for landgavel for this land, of which Adam had given seisin to the canons in the view of very many people. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. priest of Redcliff, Gilb. Damory, Thos. Damory, Herinerus, Wm. son of the priest of Salo, Fokeram, Nic. cum Bucta, Nic. Glesa, Osbert Tanner, Ric. Ruffus, Matthias the clerk, Jn. and Ric. servants, G. Damory.

408 [1216×1234] Quitclaim by Boidinus de Ros of all his right in the land which Adam Turgod bought from Walter Gebbel at Redcliff and later gave to the canons in alms [407], together with the houses and appurtenances of this land which Boidinus once held of the canons at Redcliff, Bristol. The canons to hold quit of service. So that they and others may be free from doubt he has handed over all documents concerning the land and houses before the full hundred of Redcliff. Seal. Consideration: 40s. sterling. The canons renounced all claim for 100s. arrears on the rent which he had withheld for 10 years, and also to the whole debt of 30s. he owed them for money received from Robert of Tormarton. Witnesses: Sir David abbot of St. Augustine's, Bristol, Sir Martin his canon, David son of Rob. of Morton.

409 [1216 \times 1234] Quitclaim by Brother Gilbert, proctor of the hospital of St. Bartholomew by Frome Bridge in Bristol, made with the consent of the brothers and sisters there, of all their right in all the land in the market-place of Bristol, situated between the land that was once held by David the smith and that of Pain Navium, smith. The canons and their successors to hold freely and peacefully. Warranty. Seal of the hospital. Consideration:

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1 mark and 40d. to the hospital of St. Bartholomew. Witnesses: Sir David abbot of St. Augustine's, Brother Martin his canon, David son of Rob. of Morton.

- 410 [-1232] Gift in alms by David, son of Robert of Morton, of all his land in the market-place of Bristol, situated between the land once held by David the smith and that of Pain Navium, smith. The canons to render 5s. annually to the hospitals of St. Bartholomew and St. Laurence of Bristol at the 4 usual terms, and 18d. for landgavel. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. priest of Tormarton, Hugh Smalred, Alf. of Marshfield, Phil. of Farley, Ives de Wynesham, Ellis de Crepun, Wal. de Greneford, Wm. de Burdeville.
- 411 [-1232] Quitclaim by Walter Filomena, chaplain, proctor of the leper hospital of St. Laurence outside Lawford's Gate, near Bristol, by the common consent of the brethren lying there sick, of all their right in the land in the market-place of Bristol, which lies between the land late of David the smith and that late of Pain Navium, smith, with the houses and their rents. The canons are to hold in perpetuity. Consideration: 1 mark 40d. [Witnesses as in 410].
- 412 [c. 1208×1227] Grant by Robert of Winchester to Henry the carter, of all the land in the new market which he holds of the canons. To be held of him and his heirs, rendering 4s. sterling annually, payable at the 4 usual terms. Henry and his heirs are to acquit the land against the chief lord of the fee by the payment of a full measure of beans at Midsummer for all customs. If they should fail to acquit the land at the stated terms, Robert and his heirs may, after a year, retake the land. If the prior or canons should wish to lodge on the land as guests, they may do so, but without causing loss to Henry or his heirs. Warranty. Witnesses: Ric. Bel, Ric. Coffin, Gilb. Hooper, Rob. Bole, Luke the curtarian, Jordan Hethene, Geof. the tailor, Pet. the fisher, Wal. the clerk.
- 413 [c. 1208×1227] Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Henry the carter and his heirs, of all the land in the new market of Bristol which Walter the harper had given the canons and which is held of them by Robert of Winchester. Henry and his heirs are to hold in perpetuity, rendering 4s. sterling annually, payable at the 4 usual terms, and $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. of cummin at Christmas. [The rest of the terms as in 412 down to, but not including, the warranty clause]. Seals. Witnesses: Phil. of Farley, Everard of Littlecott, Jn. the falconer, Wm. son of Reynold, Rob. Blund, Rob. of Winchester, Ric. Coffin, Master Ad. le Seint, Wm. Burel, Giles the goldsmith.
- 414 [c. 1312×1337] Lease by Brother John, prior of Bradenstoke, to Thomas Bird and Edith, his first wife, and Richard their eldest son, of all the canons' tenement in the new market, Bristol, for the term of their 3 lives,

rendering 8s. of silver annually to the canons, payable at the 4 usual terms, and a measure of beans to the constable of the castle, as is the custom. Thomas, Edith and Richard are to maintain the house in as good or better state than it was in when they received it. If they fail to do this, or to pay the rent in whole or in part, at any term, the canons or their bailiff may enter and distrain until it is fully paid. After the death of the three the whole tenement is to revert to the canons. Seals.

415 [N.D.] Hugh the 9th prior, 1 had sold this tenement to David le Chesemangere through William Saumpour, the cellarer, for an annual render of 8s. And later John, the 10th prior, leased it for lives, as is shown in the previous charter, for an annual render of 8s.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Westcote and Lasborough

- 416 [1216 \times 1220] Grant in alms by Robert of Berkeley, of 10s. rent in Westcote which he bought from Peter of Uley and which William of Westcote and his heirs were accustomed to pay to Robert, together with homage and relief. The gift is to provide a lamp before the great altar of the church of Bradenstoke by day and night in perpetuity. William and his heirs are now to be answerable to the canons for the rent, just as Peter and his heirs have been to Robert. Seal. Warranty. Witnesses: Sir David abbot of St. Augustine's, Bristol, and Sir Wm. the prior, Thos. of Berkeley brother of the donor.
- 417 [c. 1250] Grant in alms by Richard, brother and heir of William, son of William of Westcote, of an annual rent of 1d. which he was accustomed to receive from William of Lasborough from the land of Westcote, which William, brother of the donor, had, on account of his urgent need, sold to William of Lasborough. He quitclaimed to the canons, as if to his chief lords, for himself and his heirs, all his right in the land of Westcote, and has caused this writing to be made for the canons. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Hen. Gamit, Thos. of Rodborough, Pet. le Venur.
- 418 [c. 1260] Lease by Prior William [III] to William of Lasborough, for his homage and service, of I virgate of land in Westcote which he had previously held from William, son of William of Westcote. William of Lasborough and his heirs to hold of the canons in fee and by inheritance, as freely as William of Westcote and his ancestors had held, rendering 10s. Id. annually at Bradenstoke, payable 5s. at Michaelmas and 5s. Id. at Easter for all services. Warranty. Seal of the chapter of Bradenstoke. Witnesses: Sir Nic. Burdon, Sir Geof. de Chausy knights, Niel of Kingscote.

¹ They appear to have omitted Adam, the first prior.

Tetbury

419 [N.D.] Grant in alms by Walter the wheelwright of Tetbury, of an annual rent of 6d. payable at the Annunciation, from the acre of land which he had bought from Ralph, son and heir of Philip of Tetbury for 11s., and which lies in Ralph's garston. Warranty with quittance of suit to the hundred court. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Adulph of Tetbury, Rob. of Upton, Wal. of Dutton.

Tormarton

- 420 [Mid 13th cent.] Confirmation by Sir Richard Rivers, lord of Tormarton, son and heir of Sir John of Tormarton, of the 1 hide of land which the canons have of the gift of Maurice, his father's uncle, in Tormarton [565] in the hamlet called Athelingine, that is, the virgate which Turkild once held and another which William Storing held, which Matthew, greatgrandfather of Richard, gave to the canons and which was once held by Wolfridus [565]. He also concedes and confirms by this charter that the canons may have pasture for 300 sheep in the common pasture of Tormarton, and pasture for 8 oxen, and 2 cows or oxen, whichever they please, to graze with the demesne oxen in all places except his creche and in the meadow called Tounmede. This pasture was given to the canons by John, father of Sir Richard. The canons may have other beasts and pigs in the common pasture. To be held in alms from Richard and his heirs, free of service and suit of court. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ralph Russell. Sir Wm. Fokeram. Sir Wm. Mansel, Sir Nic. Burdon, Sir Thos. of Dunton knights, Wm. dean of Marshfield, Sim. rector of Tormarton.
- 421 23 Oct. 1344. Notification by John de la River, knight, lord of Tormarton, that he has inspected a charter of Sir Richard de Rivers, one of his ancestors [420], and confirms it on behalf of himself and his heirs, except concerning his close. He also grants the canons pasture for 200 sheep in the common pasture of Tormarton. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. abbot of Malmesbury, Ric. de la River Sir Wm. keeper of the chapel at Tormarton, Jordan Bishop. Tormarton Sat. before St. Simon and St. Jude 18 Edw. III.
- 422 23 Oct. 1344. Gift in alms by John de la River, knight, lord of Tormarton, of 10 acres of land of his demesne within his manor of Tormarton, 5 acres in one field and 5 in the other, as shown by the bounds, for the maintenance of the roof of St. Mary's chapel at Bradenstoke. To be held free of service in exchange for the pasture which the canons claim they used to have in his park and close at Tormarton, given to them by charter by his ancestors. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. abbot of Malmesbury, Wm. Hasard,

¹ In 1224 Prior Simon brought a case against John, father of Richard: CRR, XI, p. 299.

Jn. Huberd, Wm. de Hurdeleia, Jn. Russell of Seagry. Bradenstoke. [Date as 421].

Dodington

- 423 [-1207] Gift in alms by Roger of Berkeley, son of Roger of Berkeley, of a croft called Heileie in his manor of Dodington and 1½ acres^a of meadow near Widennellam and 1 acre of meadow near Sleperenthorne and another acre of meadow in Langelade and the whole furlong of arable land in Holebrok and old Lupeyet. The canons to hold freely, with pasture for 8 oxen and 6 cows in his common pasture. Witnesses:^b Rob. of Berkeley nephew of the donor, Oliver brother of the donor.
 - a 1½ acres: Stowe has 1 acre.
 - b Witnesses in Vit. only.
- 424 [-1232] Gift in alms by Roger of Berkeley, son of Roger of Berkeley, of I virgate of his land in his manor of Dodington: ½ virgate held by William the carpenter of Petipulle, ½ virgate held by Edward de Petipulle, and 2 messuages which belong to these 2 half-virgates. The canons to hold freely, quit of all services, including the forinsec and extrinsec service of the king. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Rob. of Berkeley nephew of the donor, Oliver of Berkeley brother of the donor, Anselm Mauduit, Rob. Bluet, Sim. de Cocham, Geof. le Veel, Rob. Cotel, Wm. Cotel, Phil. of Farley, Rob. de Berners, Humph. Crook, Wm. Brown.
 - ^a Probably error for Tockenham.
- 425 [-1232] Gift in alms by William the huntsman, of 1½ acres of land which he has in Esfurlang, and all his meadow in the same field to the east of Medecroft, in the manor of Dodington. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. son of Nic., Wal. de Tilli, Pet. of Uley, Reynold son and heir of the donor.
- 426 3 May 1273. Gift in alms by Henry of Berkeley [II], knight, lord of Dodington, made at the Invention of the Holy Cross A.D. 1273, of 1 virgate of land in Dodington which William Lovetwig once held, with pasture in the same township for 200 sheep, 40 oxen, or cows or other animals at the will of the prior. To be held free of all services from Henry and his heirs and from suit to the hundred and county courts, rendering annually 40s. at the 4 usual terms. For the health of his soul Henry has quitclaimed to the canons the 40s. they should render for the land and pasture, which they are to hold in alms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ric. de la River, Sir Hen. de Dene knights, Phil. Bauceay, Sim. of Clopton, Jn. Chancel, Ralph Cambrei, Silvester Doygnel, Miles of Langcote, Wal. Drew, Rog. de Combe, Rob. Russell.

427 [c. 1273] Quitclaim in alms by Henry of Berkeley [II], lord of Dursley, of an annual rent of 9s. which he had been accustomed to receive from the canons at the Annunciation, Midsummer, Michaelmas, and St. Thomas the Apostle, and of the royal service of 2d. at the sheriff's tourn, for the virgate of land they hold of him in his manor of Dodington by the gift of his ancestors, namely, the virgate which William the carpenter and Edward de Petipulle once held [424]. The canons are to hold of him and his heirs, free of all services, suit to the hundred court, scutages, sheriff's aids, escheats, and of aids for knighting the eldest sons of the donor's heirs. Warranty. He also confirms all gifts made by his ancestors. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ralph Russell, Sir Ric, Rivers.

Hamstead and Old Sodbury

428 [-1209]¹ Gift in alms by William le Cras of all his land in his manor of Sodbury. To be held from him and his heirs as freely as Adam Malherbe and his ancestors held of William and his ancestors. He also grants the whole rent and service which Adam has been accustomed to render. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ralph le Bret, Wal, of Tormarton, Rog. Burel.

429 [Early 13th cent,] Confirmation by William le Cras, eldest son and heir of William le Cras the elder, for the soul of Felice his wife, of the gift of the whole tenement and land of Hamstead, pertaining to his manor of Sodbury, which Adam Malherbe once held, and which William, father of the donor, gave to the canons and confirmed by charter [428]. He also grants, to enlarge the tenement, all the land everywhere in length and breadth, with the woodland, which is opposite the canons' tenement on the east side. The particulars of this grant he had recited to his men of Sodbury and many others, and has openly assigned the property to the canons. The land stretches within the new dyke near Butelesput, opposite Winebaldeslonde towards the north, from the corner of the dyke as far as the corner opposite le Eldemede on the south. To be held in alms of him and his heirs. He also concedes and confirms by charter that the canons may make a good dyke, as it suits them, around the outside of the crofts and all the lands, of earth taken from his land and thrown towards theirs. Warranty. Seal appendent. Witnesses: Sir Jn. chaplain of the donor, Wal. chaplain of Sodbury, Geof. of Laverton knight, colleague of the donor, David of Tormarton clerk, Geof. de Wancy, Wm. de Wapre,

430 [Mid 13th cent.] Inspeximus by William de Cras of the charters of William le Cras of good memory, his grandfather [428], and of William le Cras, his uncle [529], made to the canons concerning gifts of land in Hamstead, as set out in their charters. He hereby ratifies the gifts and explains what he considers may be obscure in the charters. The canons, and their men

¹ Confirmed by King John (554),

dwelling in Hamstead, are quit of all suit to his court. They may stand on his land as often as necessary to repair their dyke, provided that they do not carry away any of his soil without permission, so causing him loss. Outside their close in the north wood, the canons may have throughout the year in the common pasture of Sodbury 40 head of cattle in all, that is, oxen, cows, or younger beasts of the same kind at their choice, 40 pigs free of pannage, young pigs until they are weaned, and a free piggery in William's wood, and 6 mares and their foals of two years of age. Seal. Warranty. Witnesses: Sir Alex. knight, Sir Ric. of Tormarton, Sir Sim. rector of the church of Tormarton.

- 431 [c. 1290×1310]¹ Gift in alms by William de Weyland of a plot of land in Hamstead, lying between the croft called la Breche and the canons' meadow in the same township. The plot stretches above the new ditch of the lord of Horton towards the east, and opposite the canons' gate in Hamstead to the west. The canons to hold of William and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jordan Bishop, Sir Ric. de River, Sir Ralph of Wilton.
- 432 [1288 \times 1309] Gift by Ralph of York, chancellor of Salisbury, to John Bishop in return for his faithful service, and to Alice, wife of John, of all Ralph's land in the manor of Great Sodbury. To be held of the chief lord of the fee, rendering to him the rent and service due from the land. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Wellington, Sir Ric. de River, knights, Jn. Calkele.
- 433 15 Oct. 1330. Grant by Alice, relict of Sir John Bishop, knight, to John atte Welde and Henry Nicholes of Lyneham, of all her land and the pasture called la Steorte in the manor of Great Sodbury, between the canons' land and the wood called Horwood. This land and pasture she has of the gift and feoffment of Ralph of York, once chancellor of Salisbury. John and Henry and their heirs are to hold the land and pasture with all hedges, ditches, and the whole enclosure from the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. of Wellington, Sir Ric. de la Rivere, Sir Wm. Tracy, knights. Durnford Mon. after St. Denis 4 Edw. III.
- 434 30 Jan. 1331. *Inspeximus* and confirmation by Jordan Bishop of his mother's charter [433]. Seal. [Witnesses as in 433]. Great Sodbury Wed. before the Purification 4 Edw. III finiente.
- 435 14 June 1333. Quitclaim by William Bishop, son of Sir John Bishop, to Sir John de la Welde, rector of the church of Offley, and his heirs and assigns, of all his right in the pasture called Steorte in the parish of Great Sodbury, near the wood of the prior of Bradenstoke. Seal. Devizes Mon. after St. Barnabas A.D. 1333, 7 Edw. III. Witnesses: Rob. of Hungerford, Rob. le Boor, Ralph le Cras.

¹ William de Weyland occ. 1260×96: Ctl. Malmesbury, II, p. 255.

- 436 30 Jan. 1331. Quitclaim by Jordan Bishop to John atte Welde and Henry Nicholes of Lyneham, of all his right in the land and pasture called la Steorte, which lies in Great Sodbury between the canons' land and the wood called Horwood. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Warranty. Seal. Great Sodbury Wed. before the Purification 4 Edw. III finiente.
- 437 20 May 1336. Gift by John de la Welde, rector of the church of Offley, of all the land and pasture called la Steorte [as described in 436]. To be held of the chief lords of the fee by the accustomed services. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. of Wellington, Sir Jn. de la Rivere, Sir Wm. Tracy, knights. Bradenstoke 20 May 10 Edw. III.
- 438 22 May 1336. John atte Welde, rector of the church of Offley, Lincoln diocese, appoints Robert le Topper, clerk, in his place to put the canons into full seisin of all the land and pasture called la Steorte [as described in 435], which he had given to the canons and confirmed by charter [437]. Bradenstoke 22 May 10 Edw. III.
- 439^a 16 May 1336. Grant in alms by William de la Zouche, lord of Glamorgan and Margam, and by Eleanor his wife, daughter^b and one of the heirs of Gilbert, once earl of Gloucester and Hertford, to the canons, of permission to take into mortmain a pasture called la Steorte, containing 32 acres and situated between the canons' land and the wood called Horwood. This pasture Sir John de la Welde, parson of the church of Offley, held in chief of Sir William, of the lordship of his manor of Sodbury and had bought from Jordan Bishop of Sodbury. To be held, notwithstanding the Statute of Mortmain, rendering to Sir William and his heirs the accustomed services. Seals. Witnesses: Sir Thos. of Berkeley, Sir Maurice of Berkeley, Sir Jn. of Wellington, Sir Ralph of Wellington, Sir Jn. de la Rivere, knights, Wm. of Cheltenham, Thos. de la Hulle. Given at his manor of Tewkesbury, 16 May A.G. 1336, 10 Edw. III.
 - ^a This charter is in French.
- b Probably an error for sister. She was one of the heirs of her brother, Gilbert (III), killed at Bannockburn.
- 440 8 Mar. 1319. Letters patent of Edward II, written at the instance of Thomas earl of Norfolk, his brother, marshal of England, granting licence to the canons to acquire lands, rents, and tenements to the annual value of 20 marks, from their own fee or another's, except lands, tenements, and rents held of the king in chief. To be held in perpetuity, notwithstanding the Statute of Mortmain, so long as there is no prejudice to the king or another. Witnessed by the king at York 8 Mar. in the 12th year of his reign. [Calendared: *CPR*, 1317–21, p. 316].¹
- An editorial note adds that the licence was surrendered on 8 Feb. 1412 when the canons acquired property worth 50s. which completed the 20 marks.

- 441 12 Oct. 1337. Letters patent of Edward III, stating that his father had granted the canons the right to acquire property to the annual value of 20 marks. In accordance with this grant he gives licence to Richard atte More of Wanborough to give 9 acres of meadow in Christian Malford [144]; to John de la Welde to give 32 acres of pasture in Great Sodbury [437]. The inquiry held by William Trussel, escheator this side Trent [140], had established that the lands are not held of the king and are worth 26s. 8d. Given at Westminster by the king himself, 12 Oct. in the 11th year of his reign.^a [Calendared: *CPR*, 1334–8, p. 538, but dated 9 Oct.].
 - ^a Another hand added Blewbury in Vit.
- 442 16 Nov. 1333. Mandate of Edward III to John de Petito the younger, escheator in the counties of Hereford, Gloucester, Worcester, Salop, Staffordshire, and the adjacent Marches of Wales, to inquire whether it would be to the prejudice of the king, or others, if John atte Welde were allowed to give 33 acres^a of pasture in Great Sodbury to the canons to hold in part satisfaction of the licence to acquire property worth 20 marks annually which Edward II, his father, had given them. Marlborough 16 Nov. in the 7th year of his reign.
 - ^a 33 acres: 32 acres in 441 and 443.
- 443 26 Sept. 1336. Inquisition held at Alveston 26 Sept. 10 Edw. III, before the king's escheator for the county of Gloucester, according to the tenor of the king's writ, on the oath of John de Alkele, John of Bridgehampton, Richard de Alkele, William de Brokenore, Robert de Lecche, Richard of Weston, John Heynes, Osbert le Rich, John Tony, John atte Wall, William Muleward, John Nicholes and John Bird.

It was found that it would not be to the prejudice of the king, or any other, if John de la Welde gave 32 acres of pasture in Great Sodbury to the canons in part satisfaction of the licence given them by Edward II [440]. The pasture is held of William de la Zouche as of the inheritance of Eleanor his wife, one of the daughters^a and heirs of Gilbert de Clare [III], recently earl of Gloucester, by the service of 13s. 4d. paid annually to William and Eleanor at their manor of Sodbury. The pasture is worth 2s. 8d. annually, and is held by William and Eleanor of the king. Sufficient other land remains to John de la Welde.

- ^a See 439, note b.
- 444 [-1243] Gift in alms by William Crassus the firstborn, of all his burgage in his market-place of Sodbury, which was devised to the canons by Ralph [Adam], chaplain. To be held of William and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de Leigrave, Ralph de Cambrei.

¹ See 445.

445 [c. 1243] Notification by Ralph the merchant of Sodbury that he holds a charter of the canons concerning the burgage he holds of them in Sodbury. 22 May 1243. Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Ralph the merchant of Sodbury, of a burgage in that township which was devised to them by Ralph Adam, chaplain, and which Sir William Crassus the elder granted them in alms and confirmed by charter [444]. To be held of the canons in fee and inheritance, rendering 2s. annually in perpetuity, payable at Michaelmas and Easter, for all services. Ralph and his heirs may not alienate the property in any way that would cause loss to the canons and, if through pressing need, he is forced to sell, he must first inform the canons who, if they wish to buy, have the right of preemption and an advantage of 1 mark over all others. If they do not wish to buy, he may sell with their permission except to the chief lord of the fee, Jews, or men of religion, reserving the canons' rent of 2s. If the rent is not paid the canons may distrain and, after a year, retake the burgage. Warranty. Seal. Bradenstoke 11 Kal. Jun. A.G. 1243. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Acton knight, Master Rob. of Kemble.

Uley

446 [1220 \times 1232] Gift in alms by Thomas of Berkeley [I] for the soul of Joan his wife, of $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land in Uley, which Godwin of Coaley held, together with Godwin and all his family. The canons to hold of Thomas and his heirs who retain nothing but alms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Gilb. canon of Pyon, Ric. chaplain of Thos., Ernulf and Hugh clerks of Thos.

Alkerton

447 [c. 1168×1192] Gift in alms by Richard Murdac of land worth 7s. from the virgate which Adam, son of Ederic the clerk, holds in Alkerton and which his heirs should hold by inheritance from the canons, rendering 7s. annually. The canons are to hold of Richard and his heirs and are to receive the rent at the feast of St. Mary in March and at Michaelmas for all service. Adam and his heirs are answerable only to the canons for the tenement, except for the king's service. Witnesses: Rob. chaplain of Eastington, Gilb. the chaplain.

Gloucester

448 25 Dec. 1344. Notification by Prior Richard that the canons have received 12d. rent by the hand of William Yarpol from Sir Walter le Lange, kitchener of Llanthony-by-Gloucester, which he owed them for half a burgage in the parish of St. Oswald, Gloucester, once held by Adam the shoemaker.

¹ Richard Murdac occ. in the *PR* between 1168 and 1192 and probably died soon afterwards: *Ctl. Cirencester*, I, p. 229n.

The payment is acknowledged for the term from Christmas 18 Edw. III and Walter is quit. Bradenstoke 25 Dec. 18 Edw. III.

Cirencester

- 449 [c. 1200 × 1220]¹ Gift in alms by Agnes de la Warde for the soul of William de la Warde, her husband, of all her land in Cirencester beside Gooseditch, with all liberties within and without the township, namely, the land which Gilbert the mercer [667], Rayner Worgan, Alice, ward of the donor, and Arnold of Preston [668] once held of her. The land extends in length and breadth between the land of Gilbert Bole and that of Gilbert the weaver. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. Archibald, Humph. and Joachim his sons.
- **450** [c. 1200×1220] Confirmation by Agnes de la Warde, for the soul of William de la Warde her husband, of the grant of 4 houses in Circncester, which William had given to the canons in alms [627], as is stated in the charter held by the canons. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. de la Warde, Rob. Archibald.
- 451 [1216 \times 1220] Gift in alms by Robert Archibald, with the assent of Maud his wife, and of his heirs, of all the land in Cirencester beside the Gooseditch, which lies between the lands which Gilbert Bole and Ralph the weaver held, which is of Robert's fee. This land William de la Warde and Agnes his wife held from Robert and his ancestors and had, with the consent of Robert and his heirs, given to the canons in alms. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wal. abbot of Cirencester, Humph. eldest son and heir of the donor. Joachim son of the donor.
- 452 [c. $1208 \times c$. 1220] Lease by Brother Simon, styled prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent, to William Nhote and Margery his wife, and their legitimate heirs, of all the land which Alice, ward of Agnes de la Warde, once held of them in Cirencester and which Agnes had given them and confirmed by charter. To render 5s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms. If the rent is not paid the canons may retake the land with all improvements and do as they please with it. William and Margery and their heirs are to acquit the land of all customs, and, if they should need to sell, the canons are to have an advantage of 2s. The land is not to be alienated in any way which would cause loss to the canons. Seals of both parties. Witness: R. Archibald.
- 453 [Mid 13th cent.]² Agreement for lease made between the canons and Maud of Kemble, granting her all the land in Circncester between the land of Arnold the carter and that of Rayner Worgan, together with the house built

² Maud of Kemble occ. 1265 (455).

¹ Robert Archibald d. c. 1220: Ctl. Cirencester, I, p. 265.

- upon it. To render 5s. annually, payable at Michaelmas, St. Thomas the Apostle, the Annunciation, and Midsummer for all service. If the rent is not paid the canons may reclaim the land after 15 days, together with the buildings. The land may not be alienated without the consent of the canons. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Rayner Worgan, Wal. of Coate, Wal. Bright.
- 454 [Mid 13th cent.] Agreement for lease made between the canons and William le Dobbere of Cirencester, granting him all the land lying between the land of Arnold the carter and that of Rayner Worgan, together with the house built upon it. William to render 5s. annually at 4 terms [as 453] for all services. If the rent is unpaid the canons may reclaim the land after 15 days, together with the buildings. The property may not be alienated without the consent of the canons. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Rayner Worgan, Wal. of Coate, Wal. Bright.
- 455 30 Aug. 1265. Lease by Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to William le Typpar of Cirencester and Alice his wife, and their legitimate heirs, of a messuage in Cirencester situated in Gooseditch Street, between the messuage of John Segar and that of Maud of Kemble. To render 2s. annually to the canons, payable at Michaelmas, St. Andrew, Annunciation, and Midsummer for all service except the king's, and for suit to the canons' court. If the rent is not paid the canons may after 15 days repossess the messuage and do as they will with it. Chirograph sealed by both parties and exchanged. Bradenstoke 3 Kal. Sept. A.D. 1265. Witnesses: Humph. de la Barre, Ric. the tailor, Thos, Passelewe.
- 456 [c. 1269×1283] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [1], prior of Bradenstoke, to Thomas Birdlip of a house and adjoining curtilage in Cirencester, once held of them by Laurence the janitor. Thomas and his legitimate heirs are to hold in perpetuity, rendering 6s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms, for all service but the king's, and suit to the canons' court in Cirencester. Consideration: 20s. of silver paid in advance. The property may not be alienated without the permission of the canons. Bipartite agreement sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Wal. Bishop, Hen. Ogge, Ste. Pypard.
- 457 [Mid 13th cent.] Agreement for lease made between the canons and Richard of Pinbury, granting him half the land in Cirencester which lies between the houses of Walter of Coate and Richard le Mun, that is, the land nearer the land of Walter, together with the house built on it. Richard and his legitimate heirs to render 6s. annually, payable at the 4 usual terms for all services. If the rent is not paid within 15 days the canons may reclaim the land and do as they will with it. It may not be alienated without their consent. Appendent seals of the prior and convent. Witnesses: Laur. the janitor, Wal. of Coate, Ric. le Mun.

- 458 [c. 1354×1367] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [II], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Peter Cornish and Olive his wife, of a messuage in Cirencester in Gooseditch Street, which was once held of the canons by Gilbert of Bisley and Agnes his wife [670]. Peter and Olive to hold for life, rendering 6s. annually at the 4 usual terms for all services but suit to the canons' court in Cirencester twice yearly. After the deaths of Peter and Olive the messuage is to remain to Joan and Catherine, their daughters, for their lives on the same terms. If the rent is in arrears for 3 months at any term the canons may repossess the messuage. Warranty. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Jn. Lucy, Geof. Alwin, Wm. Weston.
- 459 [1354 × 1367] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [II], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to John Touky of Cirencester and Agnes his wife, of a messuage with adjoining curtilage in Cirencester in Gooseditch Street, situated between the messuage once of Richard de Skarnyng and that which Peter Cornish holds of them. John and Agnes to hold in perpetuity, rendering 6s. annually at the 4 usual terms for all service except suit twice yearly to the canons' court in Cirencester. If the rent is 3 months in arrears at any term the canons may repossess the messuage and curtilage. Warranty. Indenture sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Jn. Lucy, Geof. Alwin, Wm. Weston.
- 460 [1354 × 1367] Lease by Brother Geoffrey [II], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to William Grey and Maud his wife, of a messuage in Cirencester which Robert Lothe and Helen his wife once held and which is situated in Gooseditch Street, between the messuage once of Walter Chamberlain and that of Maud Brown. William and Maud to hold in perpetuity, rendering 5s. annually at the 4 usual terms for all service except suit twice yearly to the canons' court in Cirencester. If the rent is in arrears, in whole or in part, a month after any term the canons may enter and repossess the messuage. Warranty. Seals of both parties. Witnesses: Jn. Lucy, Geof. Alwin, Wm, Weston.

Ampney Crucis

- 461 [c. 1250×1270] Gift by Stephen le Brut, son of Alward le Brut, to Sir Simon Marsh and his heirs, of all his land in Ampney Crucis. To be held freely, rendering only foreign service for all services owed to Stephen. Warranty. Seal.
- 462 [July $1250 \times \text{Sept. } 1270$] Gift by Simon Marsh, parson of the church of Tormarton, to Sir Robert Walerand, steward of the king of England, of all the land he has in Ampney Crucis of the gift of Stephen le Brut [461], together with all his rights and liberties inside and outside that township. He gives

¹ Robert Walerand was steward to Henry III from July 1250 to Sept. 1270: Chronology, p. 74.

Robert the same warranty which he and his heirs have from Stephen and his heirs. Robert to have the right to sell, give, or assign whenever and to whomsoever he wishes, rendering only foreign service when it is generally levied.

463 [1250 \times 1273] Gift in alms by Robert Walerand of all his land in Ampney Crucis, which he has of the gift of Simon Marsh, rector of the church of Tormarton [462]. The canons to hold freely of Robert and his heirs who will warrant the land in so far as they are able to induce or compel Simon and his heirs to warrant it to them, as they should, according to the charter they have made to Robert. Robert and his heirs are not bound or compelled to fulfil the warrant.

Milton and Fairford

- 464 $[1176 \times 1207]$ Gift in alms by Hugh of Chaworth, for the soul of Pain his brother, of 1 hide of land in Milton to be held as freely as he has held. Witnesses: Master Enisanno, Ste. the priest, Wm. clerk of Wilton, Mat. son of the donor, Eustace the clerk, Sim. the armour-bearer, Rog. son of Bernard.
- 465 [23 June 1215 × 23 Feb. 1216] Gift by Geoffrey de Mandeville, earl of Essex and Gloucester, with the consent of the Countess Isabel his wife, of 1 hide of land in Milton, a member of Fairford, which had been given to the canons by Hugh of Chaworth. Seal. Witnesses: Nic. Poinz, Wm. of Cardiff, Ric. Talbot, Hen. Hussey, Ric. de Muscegros, Rog. Burel, Lambert the German, Hubert Malcovenaunt, Rob. Mauduit, Phil. of Farley, Ralph de Hauteville. [Printed: Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 36].
- 466 [-14 Oct. 1217] Gift in alms by Isabel, countess of Gloucester, of I hide of land in Milton, a member of Fairford, which Hugh of Chaworth gave to the canons. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Nic. Poinz, Wm. of Cardiff, and others as above. [Printed: Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 36].
- 467 [1217 or 1223] Gift by Thomas Malmains to Simon Malmains, his nephew, for his homage and service, of the whole tenement which John, son of Rayner, held of him in Fairford, together with John and all his family. Simon to hold of Thomas by inheritance, rendering a pair of gloves at Easter for all services. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wm. Longespee earl of Salisbury, Rob. de Crevequor sheriff of Wiltshire, Ric. Talbot, Hen. son of Ric. Aucher, Jn. de Manne, Ralph of the Mill, Rob. of Whitefield, Pet. Burel, Wm. of Canford.
- 468 [c. 1230×1240]¹ Gift in alms by Nicholas Malmains for the soul of his father, now at rest in the church of Bradenstoke, of 4 virgates of the land

¹ Hugh of St. Martin d. 1246×47: Cal. Ing. p.m., Hen. III, p. 95.

he has in villeinage in Milton by Fairford, namely the tenements of Durlyng and Gillian his wife, John son of Rayner, Hereward son of Rayner, and Thomas Barat, together with these men and their families, and anything that may accrue to Nicholas from the tenement of William son of John, which Thomas, father of Nicholas, gave to Robert of Whitefield, his tenant, to hold by inheritance in the same township. To be held of Nicholas and his heirs free of all services. He also gives and confirms by charter 5 virgates in demesne with meadow and pasture in Milton which his father had given to the canons and confirmed by charter. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. of the Mill, Hugh of St. Martin, knights, Sir Frarius parson of Fairford, Sir Rob. parson of Haleg', Sir Nic. parson of Wootton Rivers, Gundwin of Fairford, Geof. Meisy.

- 469 29 Aug. 1268. Notification by Gilbert de Clare [II], earl of Gloucester and Hertford, that he has given the canons permission to enclose the 10 acres called la Garston which they hold of him in Fairford, by a wall or a ditch, as they prefer. These acres lie between his land near Milton and the royal road between Milton and his mills at Fairford; one end stretches above Milton and the other to a plot called *le priores hamme*. Seal. Thornbury 29 Aug. 52 Hen. III, by the hand of Sir Hamon Hauteyn.
- 470 30 Sept. 1249. Notification by Richard de Clare, earl of Gloucester and Hertford, that he has given the canons permission to enclose, with ditch and wall, their land called Hidham, which lies between Fairford and Milton near the water on the north side of Hugh of Fairford's mill. They may build there as seems best to them and improve the land, with free access and without interference from the earl, his heirs, or his bailiffs. Consideration, 40s. sterling. Witnesses: Sir Wm. de Sancta Elena steward of the earl, Sir Geof. de Fanecourt knight, Sir Ralph de Crescy, Sir Thos. Makerel, clerks, Master Ric. the cook. Fairford morrow of Mich. 33 Hen. III.
- 471 [c. 1268] Quitclaim by John, son of Hugh, Robert de Meisy, James the clerk, Richard of Bristol, William the goldsmith, Richard, son of John, dyer, John le Maistre, of all the common pasture they once held near the canons' court within the close which was given to the canons by Sir Gilbert de Clare [II], as is shown in his charter [469]. Seals.
- 472 7 Sept. 1265. Inspeximus by Gilbert de Clare [II], earl of Gloucester and Hertford, of a charter made to the canons by Richard de Clare, his father.
- $[1243 \times 1262]$ Notification by Richard de Clare, earl of Gloucester and Hertford, that he has remitted to the canons personal suit to his court of Fairford for the tenement which they have by the gift of Sir Thomas Malmains and Sir Nicholas Malmains. The canons' men, however, must pay suit twice yearly, and in future the earl will not distrain them on account of the

tenement held of the lords of Malmains, nor may anyone specifically complain about the canons' men for any damage.

This remission was approved by Earl Gilbert. Letters patent sealed at Wootton 7 Id. Sept. 49 Hen. III.

473 [c. Oct. 1310] Roll 99, Michaelmas term, 4 Edw. II. John de Plessis, by William de Dore his attorney, claimed from the prior of Bradenstoke 4 virgates of land in Milton by Fairford as his inheritance. He stated that the land was demised to William, once prior of Bradenstoke, for a term of years and, the term having expired, should revert to him. Nicholas Malmains, his grandfather, had been seized of the tenement in the time of King Henry, grandfather of the present king, and from Nicholas it had descended to Ela his daughter, and from her to John her son and heir, who now claimed it.

The prior, by Robert of Hungerford his attorney, defended his right. He stated that Nicholas, grandfather of John, had not demised the tenement to Prior William for a term of years but in fee. He produced the charter which testified that Nicholas had given the land to God and St. Mary and the canons in alms with warranty [468]. John claimed that he was not debarred from action by this charter, which had not been made by his grandfather, and put himself on the country and the witnesses named in the charter. Gundwin of Fairford, witness of the charter, was summoned to attend in the Hilary term. The charter was placed in the keeping of John Bacon, the king's clerk.

Plea at Westminster, roll 22, Trinity term, 4 Edw. II. The prior appeared on the fourth day against John on a plea of 4 virgates in Milton by Fairford which he claimed. John did not appear and he and his pledges were in mercy. The charter was handed back to the prior.

474 24 June 1311. Quitclaim by John de Plessis, knight, of all his right in 4 messuages and 4 virgates of land in Milton by Fairford, county Gloucester, which the canons have of the gift of Sir Nicholas Malmains, and of his right in 3 acres of meadow in Kinson, county Dorset. Seal. Witnesses: Pet. Doygnel, Rob. Russell, Jn. Turpin, Jn. de la Mare lord of Rendcombe, Ric. of Bachindon, Wm. son of Ralph of Lech[lade], Rob. Barbost, Thos. Dun, Rob. de Penyton. London Thur, Nativity of St. John the Baptist 4 Edw. II.

Kempsford

475 [-1232] Gift in alms by Pain de Chaworth [II], for the soul of Gundreda his wife, of all his little meadow near Merebrok, appendent to his manor of Kempsford. To be held of Pain and his heirs according to the old boundaries measured by perches, rendering to them 3s. at All Saints for all services. Seal. Witnesses: Brother Wm. monk of Tironeau, Ric. the chaplain, Wm. Meisy, Hugh of Standen, Wm. de Montibus, Ad. de Chaworth, Patrick son and heir of the donor, Nic. the clerk, Rob. Moruz, Wm. son of Reynold, Geof. Bostardi.

Hatherop

476 [1168 × 1196] Notification by William, earl of Salisbury, that he has given to the canons land worth 100s. in his manor of Hatherop. Seal. Witnesses: Count Rob. de Sancto Romano, Gilb. de Aquila, Hen. de Grey, Walkelin de Ferres, Warin de Glapium, Godf. de St. Martin, Wm. of Newmarket, Wm. Boterel, Rob. of Aston, Jn. de Abbetot, Wm. the chaplain, Geof. le Veel, Ralph de Parco, Phil. of Farley, Wm. of Farley, Reynold of Calne.

^a Soones in 289 and 476; Sancto Romano in 640.

477 [1197 \times 1209] Confirmation by William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, son of King Henry, to Philip of Farley, of land worth 20s. in his manor of Hatherop, which had been given to Philip for his homage and service by William, earl of Salisbury, whose daughter and heir William Longespee had married. The land consists of 1 virgate with 2 messuages which Sewy had held at Fortie in villeinage and another virgate of his demesne, that is: 5\} acres in Stapelforlong; 64 acres in Nisingebergham; 74 acres in Estdoune; 2 acres in Pusforlong; 2½ acres in Little forlong. In the other field: 4 acres in Redeland; 2 acres in Longeforlong; 3 acres in Stanforlong; 6 acres in Verniforlong; 2 acres in Hechine; 3 acres at Nunnewell; 4 acres in Northlingelonde; and 3 acres of meadow near that of William Boterel on the wes side among 30 acres of meadow of Bumore. To be held of William and his heirs, rendering a pair of gilt spurs at Easter or 6d. for all service, as is shown in the charter of Earl William [642]. William Longespee has taken the homage of Philip who may have 6 oxen, 1 plough-beast, 50 sheep, and 20 pigs on the earl's pasture. Consideration: 5 marks of silver. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. de Vaus and Ad. his uncle, Wm. Talbot, Master Berengar, Wm. Boterel, Geof. le Veel, Wm. of Waltham, Ric. Herriard, Rob. Herriard, Hen. of Farley, Baldwin of Coombe, Ric. of Coombe, Wal. of Everleigh, Jn. of Hurst, Wm. Sulkeberd, Rog. the clerk, Jn. the clerk.

478 [1197 × 1216] Grant by William Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, brother of the king of England, to Ralph de Parco, his knight, of 4 virgates of land in his manor of Hatherop, which William, earl of Salisbury, his predecessor, had given to Ralph for his homage and service, that is, land worth 40s.: 1 virgate is held by William Newman, 1 by Gilbert Long, 1 by John, son of Yungid, ½ by Ralph the carter, and ½ by Walter Hochegus. Ralph and his heirs are to hold freely of William and his heirs, rendering gilt spurs or 6d. annually at Easter. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. de Vaus, Hen. de la Mare, Wm. Talbot, Lambert de Tyeis, Rob. of Burgate, Jn. de Mohun, Pet. Burdon, Hen. de Berners, Geof. le Veel, Hen. son of Ric., Wm. of Canford, Jn. of Cleveland.

^a Stowe has Amesbury, but see 480, 481.

- 479 [-1207] Gift in alms by Philip of Farley of all his land in Hatherop which William, earl of Salisbury, son of Earl Patrick, gave him for his homage and service and confirmed by charter [642]. To render 6d. to the lord of the fee annually for all services. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. of Herriard, Jn. de Combe, Wm. Talbot, Master Wm. Hawtrey, Geof. le Veel, Ad. of Easton, Geof. his son, Baldwin de Combe, Jn. Makerel, Jn. the janitor of Bradenstoke, Hen. de Amenesche.
- 480 [1198 × 1226] Gift in alms by Ralph de Parco, for the souls of his lord and lady, William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, and Ela his countess, of all his land in Hatherop, which the earl had given him for his homage and service and confirmed by charter [478]. The canons are to hold as freely as he has done and to render a pair of gilt spurs at Easter for all service. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. de Mohun, Ives son of Warin, Everard Tyeys, Ric. Malherbe, Ric. de Deneforde, Rob. de Port, knights, Master Wm. of Wilton canon of Salisbury, Ric. Barre vicar of Salisbury, priests, Master Ric. Wudnit, Master Wal. of Sherborne, Master Jn. of Wilton, Phil. parson of Fisherton, Wm. de Parco, Lewis, clerks, Ric. Makerel, Jn. Makerel his brother, Thos. de Parco, Sim. le Martre, Wm. of Kingston.
- 481 [1197 × 1226] Gift in alms by William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, for the souls of Ela, his wife, and the Countess Ida, his mother, of all the land in Hatherop which Ralph de Parco held while he lived. The canons to hold of the earl, quit of all service. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master T. de Chebeham subdean of Salisbury, Reynold of Whitchurch, Jn. de Mohun, Rob. de Crevequer constable of Salisbury, Lambert the German, Everard the German his brother, Thos. de Cormeilles, Rog. of Durnford, Ives son of Warin, Geof. le Veel, Jn. Bonet, Rob. son of Geof., Mat. the clerk, Wm. of Canford.
- 482 [1227] Gift in alms by Ela, countess of Salisbury, in her lawful widowhood, for the souls of Earl William, son of Earl Patrick, her father, and of Earl William Longespee, once her husband, of land worth 100s. in her manor of Hatherop, that is: I virgate of villein land and ½ virgate of her demesne, both held in villeinage by Peter, son of Osegod; I virgate held in villeinage by John le Newman; I virgate which Ralph le Venne held the same way; 2 virgates, one of the demesne, the other of the villeinage, held by Richard Sewy; 1 virgate of demesne held in villeinage by Roger of Eston; and 1 by Thomas de Fosseto, half being of the villeinage and the other half of the demesne; together with all these men and their families and with 7 acres of meadow in Bomore and 4 acres of demesne assigned to the demesne messuage. In addition she gives ½ virgate held by Ellis le Frend in villeinage, and 2 cotlands held by John Farman and Nicholas Catelan, together with these men and their families. Furthermore she grants a rent of 10s. and all that Andrew, son of Roger, son of Henry, and his heirs owe for ½ hide of land

held of her in Hatherop, and 5s. rent which William le Palmer owes her for 1 virgate in the same township.

In Chitterne she grants pasture for 100 sheep, along with her own, to be kept in the canons' own fold and to have free passage between the fold and the pasture. She also grants 2 messuages in the manor of Chitterne near to the canons' messuage, which are held by David and Culling. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Master Edm. treasurer of Salisbury, Jn. Dacus sheriff of Wiltshire, Sir Wm. Gerberd, Sir Baldwin son of Wm. the steward, Mic. of Cholderton, Ralph Long, Rog. the clerk, Phil. of Farley, Rob. Blund, Wm. Hall, Denis Kene, Ric. Blund.

483 [1239 × 1261] Confirmation by Ela, abbess of Lacock, of all the lands, rents, and possessions which the canons hold in Hatherop of the gift of the noble lady Ela, once countess of Salisbury, as shown by her charter held by the canons. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Ralph Daungers, Sir Alex. of Cheverell, Sir Jn. of Cherburgh, knights, Wm. of Tinhead, Rog. of Studley, Hen. Harding, Ric. Horn, Wm. de Boteraus, Wm. de Colum, Wm. Edrich.

BERKSHIRE

Watchfield

484 [Mid-late 13th cent.]² Quitclaim by Richard Sturmy of Watchfield, of all his right in 1 virgate of land in Watchfield which Henry Cole once held of him, and which the prior of Bradenstoke recovered from him in the king's court at Salop, namely, the value of the virgate which Thomas Shirlit claimed in the same court and recovered from William le Long of Watchfield, a tenant of the prior. Richard also renounces his claim to ½ acre in Wokylonde near Gillian Sturmy, and another ½ acre in Coppelwell. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Walerand knight, Hen. de Avenewyk, Rob. Tomi, a Silvester Doygnel.

a Vit. has Chanu.

OXFORDSHIRE

North Aston

485 [c. 1260×1280]³ Gift by William Rikeward of North Aston, son of Roger Rikeward, of 14 acres of arable land, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow and a house

¹ Countess Ela, wife of Earl Patrick, grandmother of Abbess Ela.

² Silvester Doygnel d. 1293. See 33n.

³ The deeds 485–93 are roughly the same date. Richard Talnan, William Rikeward, William Trivet, William de Fonte, and Nicholas Bacyn occ. 1281: *Rotuli Hundredorum* (Rec. Com., 1818), II, p. 860.

situated between the houses of William le Swan and William Bolethen, and the curtilage adjoining. In the North Field: 1 acre lies at Westhurst between the land of the canons and that of Richard Talnan; 1 acre lies in Morforlong near the land of William Trivet on both sides; 1 acre lies at Gambonesmulle between the land of William Trivet and that once held by Roger Gamboun; 4 acres lie in Oldemede between the land of William Trivet and that of Richard Talnan. In the South Field: 2 acres lie at Cotstouwe between the land of William Trivet on both sides; 2 acres lie above le Northbrerihull between the land of William Trivet and the land of the canons; 3 acres lie above le Overbrerihull between the land of William Trivet on both sides; the ½ acre of meadow lies in Bessemore, as the lot falls. To be held of William Rikeward and his heirs, rendering 3s. sterling annually to the church of St. Mary, North Aston, payable at Easter to provide Easter wax and at Michaelmas to maintain a lamp. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Hugh of Tew knight, Sir Jn. vicar of North Aston, Ric. Talnan.

486 [c. 1260×1280] Gift by William Rikeward of North Aston of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre and 1 rood of land in the South Field of North Aston, of which the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies in Couforlong next to the land of William de Fonte on the north, and the rood lies in Hanggindelande, next to the land of Simon of Bradenstoke on the west. He also gives all the pasture he has in a certain plot of land in Couforlong next to the prior's close, measuring 11 perches 7ft. in length and 4 perches 2ft. in breadth, to be enclosed by a wall and remain enclosed. This property the canons are to hold in perpetual exchange for 1 rood of arable and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in the South Field of North Aston. The $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies in Middelforlong next to the land of Roger Gamboun on the south and the rood lies in the same furlong between the land of Jordan le Swan and that of William Boneton.^a To be held free of service and of suit to the county and hundred courts. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Trivet, Ric. Talnan, Rob. de Bamville.

- ^a Bolethon in 485.
- 487 [c. 1260×1280] Gift in alms by William Russell of Plimpton with the consent of Cecily his wife, of 5 acres of arable land in North Aston which he has of the gift of John Martin. Of these acres, $2\frac{1}{2}$ lie in the South Field above Manigwelhull, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ in the North Field above Saleforlang. To be held of William and his heirs, rendering 1d. at Easter for all services. Warranty to acquit the canons of suit to the courts of the county and hundred and for royal service. Seal. Witnesses: Rog. Gamboun, Rob. Bamville, Rog. Triplot.
- 488 [c. 1260×1280] Gift in alms by Robert Pain of North Aston, for 40s. paid in advance, of 2 acres of his land in North Aston, namely 1 acre in Bruchelewellslade in the North Field, lying between his land and that of the canons, and 1 acre above Mangwelhull in the South Field, between his land

and the canons and extending above Middelstonweie. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. de Fonte, Wm. Rikeward, Jn. de Bamville.

- 489 [c. 1260×1280] Gift by William de Selden of North Aston of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land in Couforlong at le Aisshe and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Bessenhull, lying between the land once held by Ralph White and the prior's land, and all his share in the common pasture in a certain plot in Couforlong near the prior's close, measuring 11 perches 7ft. in length and 4 perches 2ft. in breadth, to be enclosed by a wall in perpetuity. To be held by the canons in perpetual exchange for 1 acre of land in Couforlong next to the land of Richard Talnan on one side and that of William de Fonte on the other. The canons to be free of service and of suit to the county and hundred courts. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Trivet lord of North Aston, Ric. Talnan, Wm. Arnold.
- 490 [c. 1260×1285] Quitclaim by Richard Talnan to Brother Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, of all the pasture he had in a certain plot which the canons had appropriated from the furlong called Couforlong [as described in 486]. To be held of Richard and his heirs. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Trivet lord of North Aston, Wm. son of Wm. Selden.^a
 - ^a Selden: Stowe, f.146, has Golden.
- 491 [c. 1260×1280] Quitclaim by Robert de Banurle, John le Braciur, William the janitor, John de Dino, John le Welle, William le Quilt, John of Windsor, Robert Pain, William Rickeward le Chercheman, Nicholas Ruffus, to the canons, of all their right in a certain plot in Couforlong where they once had rights of common, opposite a certain furlong which measures 11 perches 7 ft. in length and 4 perches 2 ft. in width. This furlong lies on the west side of the canons' court and stretches up to the walls of the court. The canons are to hold in alms and have the right to enclose the land, and to retain or dispose of it as they wish. Seals of the above 10 men. Witnesses: Sir Hugh of Tew, Wm. Trivet, Sir Jn. vicar of North Aston.
- 492 [c. 1260×1280] Gift by William de Fonte of North Aston of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre and 1 rood of land in the South Field of North Aston, of which the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies in Couforlong next to the land of William Rikeward on the south side, and the rood lies in the same furlong between the land of the prior and the land which was Nicholas de Bonville's. He also grants all the common pasture he has in a certain plot in Couforlong [as described in 486]. To be held in perpetual exchange for $\frac{1}{2}$ acre and 1 rood in the South Field of which the $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lies in Hundung between the land of William Gelden and that of William Newman and the rood lies in Ferdewelleshull between the land of Robert Warlawe and that of Jordan le Swan. To be held free of service and of suit to the county and hundred courts. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Talnan, Wm. Rikeward, Ric. de Bonville.

493 [c. 1260×1280] Gift by Nicholas Bacyn of North Aston of 1 rood of land in Couforlong and the whole of his common pasture in a certain plot called Couforlong [as described in 486]. The canons are to hold this land in the field of North Aston in perpetual exchange for 1 rood of land which lies in Honnedung, between the land of John of Barford and that of William le Newman. To be held quit of all services and suit of court to the county and hundred courts. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Trivet lord of North Aston, Ric. Talnan, Wm. Rikeward.

494 [6 July 1222×8 Aug. 1224]¹ Case between Geoffrey, rector of Steeple Aston, *actorem*, and the canons of Bradenstoke, *reos*, heard before the archdeacon of Northampton and the dean of Haseley, appointed by Pope Honorius III, concerning the moiety of the tithes of sheaves of Nethercote.

After long litigation it was agreed that the church of North Aston should have the moiety of all the tithes of sheaves of Nethercote as of right, and Geoffrey renounced all his claim. If at any time he should bring an action against the canons concerning these tithes or, on account of them, did harm to the canons, he was to be compelled by the bishop through ecclesiastical censure to observe the settlement. By the same authority the canons were to have their tithes safeguarded and to recover from the rector their full expenses occasioned by such annoyance and loss. These conditions were accepted by the rector. The seals of the judges and the parties were affixed to the agreement, but not that of the prior of Thame, their fellow judge, who is by papal authority excused from hearing cases. Witnesses: Master Hen. Tessun, Master Rog. de Umkeney, Master Phil. of Exeter.

495 [c. 6 July 1222] Notification by the archdeacon of Northampton and the dean of Haseley that they have received letters from Pope Honorius III.

6 July 1222. Statement by Honorius that he had received a petition from Geoffrey, of Steeple Aston, clerk, complaining that the prior of Bradenstoke and others of the dioceses of Salisbury and Lincoln have injured him over tithes and other matters. The archdeacon and dean are appointed, together with the prior of Thame, to investigate the claim. Lateran 2 Non. Jul. in the 6th year of his pontificate.

496 1227. Dispute between the canons and Osbert, vicar of Tew, heard before the priors of Malmesbury and Farleigh and the dean of Malmesbury, appointed by the pope, concerning the tithes of hay from Bessemore. On the day fixed for the hearing, before the evidence was given, Osbert confessed that he had no right in these tithes, which belonged to the church of North Aston, and he resigned them to the prior. He swore that in future he would not defraud the church of North Aston, but would compel his parishioners, knights, freemen, and villeins, by ecclesiastical censure, to pay the tithes to the canons, and that he himself would faithfully pay the tithes of hay from

¹ Judges appointed 1222 (495). Confirmed by Pope (16).

Bessemore to the church of North Aston. He submitted to the jurisdiction of the judges and the canons withdrew their case. So that it should not be forgotten, this writing was made and sealed by Osbert and the judges. A.D. 1227.

497 [1197 \times 1226] Gift in alms by William of Aston, son of Robert Aston, of the church of North Aston, together with 2 virgates of land in one field and the same in the other of his outland, and of 6 acres below the township with a messuage which Gervase held. In addition he grants $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate in one field and the same in the other of his inland, together with a messuage held by William Jericob. The canons are to hold all that William of Aston, his grandfather, had given with the consent of Patrick, earl of Salisbury, and of Robert, father of the donor, and with the assent and confirmation of R[obert Cheney] of good memory, bishop of Lincoln, and of Robert, archdeacon of Oxford.

He also grants to the canons the whole tenement which Ralph of Bucknell held in North Aston and which William of Aston, his grandfather, had given to the canons, that is 52 acres of his inland in one field and the same in the other, together with 3 messuages held by R. de Bucknell, Hugh, son of Pain, and G., son of Ralph. To be held free of service. He approves the sale made to the canons by R. of St. Paul, with the consent of Martin his son, of 1 virgate of land, and also of the gift of 2 acres made by the same Roger, and of the gift of 1 acre made by Roger, son of Herbert, half in one field, half in the other. Also of the gift of 1 acre, half in one field, half in the other, which Robert Bamville made with the consent of Loretta his wife, and the 2 acres, one in either field, made to the canons by William Ruffus and confirmed by charter and held by Adam the clerk.

He also grants the canons the right to have their demesne oxen with his own, that is 7^b oxen, 2 bulls, and 2 cows, and the rest of their plough-beasts with his, and their sheep with his, kept in the canons' own fold, that is 200 sheep of whatever kind they please. The rest of their sheep they may have on common pasture. They may hold their halimote for their men whenever they wish and are not to be harmed by his halimote, nor by any penalty which he or his men might be able to put on the canons' men. Anything that might be done against him or his men is to be corrected in the canons' court.

The canons may have the headlands of their acres for grazing their animals without interference from William or his men. They may turn their ploughs on his land, footpaths, or other places if necessary, just as he may do on their land by the custom of the township, and they may divert the course of streams to the head of their acres if need be without interference. Their men are not to be more harassed to attend the county, hundred, or other courts than are his own men.

William will tithe his corn at the barn door and they may take it from there

^a This error occurs also in 662, but in nine other charters Reynold is given correctly.

b 7: Vit. has 6.

and from the barns or houses of all his men. They may hold free of service both the church and the lands which they have, or may acquire, of his fee. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Longespee, earl of Salisbury, W. son of Gerold, H. son of Gerold.

Barford St. Michael

498 $[c. 1200 \times 1228]^1$ Confirmation by Ralph de Diva of a virgate of land in Barford which the canons have by the gift of the lady Alice de Cheney, his aunt [499], and which was once held by Robert le Bourman and, after his death, by Kene his relict. The canons to hold in alms, including all the family of Robert^a and Kene. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wm. de Diva, Sir Nic. de Haneresse, Sir Jn. le Brun.

^a Robert: Stowe has Ralph.

499 [-1207] Gift in alms by Alice de Cheney, wife of Robert of Aston, of a virgate of land in Barford which Hervey held. To be held free of all but royal service. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. de Cheney, Rob. of Aston, Wm. Boterel.

Wootton

500 [1225 × 1229] Grant by John, son of William supra montes of Wootton, to Roger of London, clerk, for his homage and service, of a rent of 9d, and \(\frac{1}{2}\)lb, pepper of which he has in Wootton from Thomas Shepherd. Of these 4d, is payable at Christmas and Pentecost for a croft and 8 acres of land lying beyond the river in the field of Wootton towards Woodstock Park; 4d. from Ralph Hurell, payable at the 4 usual terms for a messuage and croft which stretch towards the road opposite the house of Robert, son of Godwin, and for the 2 acres Ralph holds in the field of Wootton towards Woodstock Park; 1d. from Denise, daughter of Geoffrey the priest, payable at Easter, for a messuage below John's court and for the 2 acres of land she holds of him in the field of Wootton towards the park of Wootton [sic]; \{\frac{1}{2}}\]lb. of pepper from the hospital for the sick at Wootton towards Woodstock for the 103 acres of land they hold of John in the field of Wootton near the road to Woodstock, payable at Christmas. Roger and his heirs to hold of John and his heirs freely and quit of reliefs, rendering a pair of gloves or 3d. annually at Easter for all services. Warranty. Entry fine 7s. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. de Haya sheriff of Oxfordshire, Hugh of Whitehill, Gilb. of Hyde.

501 [c. 1230×1240] Notification by Roger of London, clerk, to Thomas le Bercher and his other tenants at Wootton, that he has given to the canons in alms all the rent he bought from John de Monte and which they have been accustomed to pay him [500]. In future they are to be answerable to the

¹ Ralph de Diva d. before 1228: Excerpta e Rotulis Finium (Rec. Com., 1835-6), I, p. 170.

canons and render to them all they have formerly paid Roger. In order that they may do this with more security he has sent these letters patent, which they are to return.

Banbury

502 [? 1240] Grant in alms by Edmund the wool-dealer of Banbury¹ of 2d. annual rent to be received at Midsummer from the land in Banbury which he had bought of Robert Dunwich, and on which he has a small house. The land is in the street leading from the royal road to the church of St. Mary, Banbury. The canons to hold of Edmund and his heirs with power to distrain on those holding the land for the full payment of the rent. Warranty. Charter sealed by Edmund on behalf of himself and Hawise his wife. Witnesses: Master Rob. de Lamit' and many others.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

Towcester and Burton [Bradstock]

503 21 Nov. 1285. Letter of Brother Geoffrey, abbot of St. Wandrille, order of St. Benedict, diocese of Rouen, and the convent, stating that, for their convenience and on account of the distance of the places, the dangers of the roads and especially of the sea-crossing to England, they have of their own free will given to the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, order of St. Augustine, diocese of Salisbury, all they have in the parishes of Towcester, diocese of Lincoln, and Burton [Bradstock], diocese of Salisbury, together with all their rights. In exchange the prior and canons of Bradenstoke have given all they have in the parishes of Rogerville and Sandouville, diocese of Rouen, with all rights, including greater and lesser tithes, the advowson, and an annual pension in the church of Rogerville. For security the abbot sends these sealed letters to Bradenstoke. The chapter-house, St. Wandrille, Wed. before St. Catherine A.D. 1285.

504 4 Nov. 1319. *Inspeximus* of Roger, bishop of Salisbury, of the letters of the abbot and convent of St. Wandrille, diocese of Rouen, of the order of St. Benedict [503], concerning the exchange made by them with the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, Salisbury diocese, of the order of St. Augustine, and

[&]quot; Only the first line of 503 is cited, but the whole of 557 is given verbatim.

¹ Possibly the same as Edmund of Banbury (177).

The property in France was given to the canons by William Longespee (1) between 1198 and 1205 (643) and was confirmed by Walter, archbishop of Rouen (1184-1207) (CDF, pp. 61-2). The exchange was confirmed by Edward I on 25 Feb. 1286 (557). In 1288 the canons were involved in a dispute with Sir William de Munchensy over suit to his oven, which had belonged to St. Wandrille: Cal. Misc. Inq., I, p. 408.

also of the letter of King Edward, of famous memory, confirming the exchange [557]. This *inspeximus* was sealed and dated at Bradenstoke 2 Non. Nov. A.D. 1319 and the 5th year of his consecration.

505 [Late 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Michael Teors, son of John Teors of Towcester, with the consent of Sybil his wife, for a fine of 100s. paid in advance, of all his meadow of Herberdesmede lying on the south side of Towcester, next to the stream and the mill of the canons, and enclosed by a small stream. To be held of the chief lords of the fee. Warranty. Seals of Michael and Sybil. Witnesses: Sir Wm. Braden knight, Wm. of Litchborough, Hen. Teors, Thos. Galaunt, Jn. Port'.

506 [Late 13th cent.] Gift in alms by Reynold de Leners of Towcester, for a fine of 10 marks sterling, of all his meadow in Heberdesmede [detail as in 505]. The canons to hold of him and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wm. Braden knight, Wm. of Litchborough, Hen. Teors.

507 27 Dec. 1267. Letters patent of William de Valence, lord of Pembroke, stating that, at the instance of Sir Ottobon, cardinal of St. Adrian's diocese and papal legate, he has presented Master Benet, clerk of the legate, to the church of Towcester. By this presentation he does not establish a claim to the advowson, which belonged to the abbot and convent of St. Wandrille, diocese of Rouen, the true patrons of the church, as is shown in the chirograph made between them and Sir William of Munchensy. Merewell the day of St. John the Apostle and Evangelist, A.D. 1267.

508 29 Mar. 1326. Letter from Hugh le Despenser, lord of Glamorgan, to H[enry], bishop of Lincoln, stating that, believing the church of Towcester, Lincoln diocese, to be vacant and that the right of presentation belonged to him, he had recently presented Thomas of Sibthorpe, his clerk, to the bishop. However, having examined the charters and muniments of the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, he saw that he had not the right of presentation on this occasion and with this letter withdrew his presentation of Thomas. Seal. Kenilworth 29 Mar. A.D. 1326.

509 29 Mar. 1326. Notarial instrument, dated 29 Mar. 1326, according to the computation of the English church, in the 9th Indiction and the 20th year of Pope John XXII, witnessing that Sir Thomas Sibthorpe, clerk, presented, as it is said, to the church of Towcester by the noble lord, Hugh le Despenser, lord of Glamorgan, because the lands and heir of Sir John Hastings, knight, deceased, were in his custody, completely and voluntarily renounced all right he had in the church on account of this presentation. Enacted in the Chamber of Edward, king of England, in his castle of Kenilworth on the aforesaid date.

¹ William of Litchborough occ. 1285: ibid.

Witnesses: Sir Jn. de Haya knight, Master Jn. of Shoreditch professor of civil law, and others specially summoned.

Attestation by William Petri of Selby, clerk of the diocese of Lincoln, public notary, that he had been present at all the foregoing and had written them in this public form, signed with his usual sign and name.

Burton [Latimer]

- 510 [1249 × 1250]¹ Gift in alms by Hilary de Godarville, in her lawful widowhood, for the souls of Walter her husband, her parents, and all her relatives and ancestors at rest at Bradenstoke, of all her land in Burton [Latimer] which Nicholas Malmains, her brother, gave her as a marriage portion, and of all her rights in the rents, liberties, mills, and lands inside and outside the township, with free entrance and exit. The canons to render 6d. annually at Michaelmas to her and her heirs, paid at Bradenstoke, for all services and suit to her court and the court of the hundred. Warranty. Witnesses: Sir Alex. de Montfort, Sir Alex. of Cheverell, Sir Rog. de Plessis. [Confirmed Edw. II, 28 Nov. 1313: CChR, 1300-26, p. 225].
- 511 $[1220 \times 1230]$ Gift in alms by Joan Malmains for the soul of Thomas Malmains, her lord, now at rest in the church of Bradenstoke, of all her land which Guy the Scot held of her in Burton [Latimer], to maintain a lamp to burn perpetually in the church. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. de Turberville, Ellis of Burton, Phil. de Clavile.
- 512 [1260 × 1282]³ Gift in alms by Geoffrey Gascelyn and Joan his wife, of 3 virgates of land in Burton-by-Kettering, together with a third part of the mill. These virgates are held by Egwin Faukes, Gillian, relict of Geoffrey Swetman, and Emme le Lavedi respectively, and the grant includes them and their families. The canons are to render 12d. at Pentecost to Geoffrey and his heirs for all services, suit of court, and secular demands, but are to perform any other services, repair the mill when necessary, and find labour services. Warranty. Seals of Geoffrey and Joan. Witnesses: Sir Wm. Gascelyn, Sir Maurice of Audley, Sir G. of Lewknor.
- 513 [1282 × 1287] Gift in alms by Joan Gascelyn, made in her lawful widowhood, for the soul of Geoffrey Gascelyn, once her lord, of all her land and rights in Burton [Latimer]. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Jn. Mauduit, Rob. le Baud, Wm. de Goldingham.

³ Geoffrey Gascelyn d. 1282: Knights of Edward I, ed. C. Moor (Harleian Soc., Visitations, II, 1929), p. 95. Joan, his widow, d. 1287: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 169.

Walter de Godarville d. 1249: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 7.
 King John granted the manor of Burton Latimer to Thomas Malmains in the right of Joan, his wife, on 29 Aug. 1216: Rot. Pat., ed. T. D. Hardy (Rec. Com., 1835), p. 195. Joan was the mother of Nicholas Malmains (I) and of Hilary, who married Walter de Godarville. Joan, daughter of Walter de Godarville and Hilary, married Geoffrey Gascelyn.

- 514 [1282 × 1337]¹ Confirmation by Edmund Gascelyn, knight, of the charter of Hilary de Godarville, his grandmother [510]. He ratifies its provisions and gives warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Hugh Audley, Rog. de Lisle, Nic. de Witemhale.
- 515 [Early 14th cent.]² Quitclaim by Beatrice Malmains of all her right in the tenement in Burton [Latimer] which the lady Joan Gascelyn gave to the canons in alms [513]. This tenement was first given by the lady Hilary de Godarville, mother of the aforesaid Joan [510]. Seal. Witnesses: Rob. le Baud, Rog. de Lisle, Hugh Audley.
- 516 24 Aug. 1290. Quitclaim by William Wilegod of Joham, of all his right in the mill called Biggemulle in Burton [Latimer] in the county of Northampton. He has handed over to the canons all the documents he has concerning the mill. He has sealed this deed and caused Adam de Harewedon to add his seal. Bradenstoke Thur. St. Bartholomew 18 Edw. I. Witnesses: Sir Wm. of Monkton, Ad. of Ramsbury clerk, Wm. of Tockenham.

YORKSHIRE

Waleswood

- 517 [1170 × 1180] Notification by Ralph Ierlum, about to depart, that he has surrendered to William Crassus the land of Wales pertaining to Ralph's manor of Leston, which William^a Taissy, grandfather of Ralph, gave to William Crassus, grandfather of William Crassus, as a marriage portion. Since Ralph had given part of that land to Robert, son of the seneschal of Normandy, while it was in his hand, and before William Crassus had claimed it, he wishes that land of the same value should be given to William in exchange for Ralph's manor of Leston. Witnesses: Rob. abbot of Fountains, Hen. de Tilleio, Rob. son of Erneis, Rob. de Cambrai, Ric. Dastmel, Hugh de Clinchampo, Ranulf de Hamarr' and Rob. his son.
 - a William: Vit. has Ralph.
- 518 $[1199 \times 1219]$ Confirmation by William le Cras, eldest son of William le Cras, with the assent of William le Cras the younger, Hamon le Cras and Anselm le Cras, treasurer of Exeter, his brothers, for the soul of Robert le Cras, his brother, at rest at Bradenstoke, of all the land of Wales, which he had given to Robert for his homage and service. The canons to hold from him and his heirs in alms. Warranty. They are to be quit of all services except that owed to the chief lord of the fee. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Wm. Marshall, earl of

¹ Edmund Gascelyn, grandson of Hilary, d. 1337: Wilts. Inq. p.m., II, p. 122. ² Before Hugh de Audley became earl of Gloucester in 1337: Chronology, p. 430.

Pembroke, Wm. Marshall his son, William le Cras the younger, Hamon le Cras, Anselm le Cras treasurer of Exeter, brothers of the donor, Everard the German, Frank the German his brother, Alan son of Warin, Wm. Bluet, Jn. de Easton, Wm. le Printz, Ralph of Hinton, Phil. of Farley. [Printed: *Monasticon*, VI, pp. 338-9, in a shortened form, lacking the last four witnesses].

- 519 $[1199 \times 1219]$ Gift in alms by William le Cras the younger, brother and heir of Robert le Cras, with the assent of William le Cras the elder, Hamon and Anselm, treasurer of Exeter, his brothers, for the soul of Robert his brother, of all the land of Wales which William le Cras, his eldest brother, had given to Robert for his homage and service. To be held of William and his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Marshall, earl of Pembroke, Wm. Marshall his son, Wm. le Cras the donor's eldest brother.
- 520 [Mid 13th cent.] Quitclaim by William, son of Roger Mody, of all his right in the whole tenement which William, son of Jordan of Waleswood, once held of him in Waleswood, as in rents, homages, reliefs, wards, marriages, escheats. He also quitclaims his right in 1 acre of meadow which Cecily de Boughton once held of him in Waleswood. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Jn. Bernard of Hertal, Hugh son of Thos. of Waleswood.
- 521 [Mid 13th cent.] Notification by William, son of Roger Mody, that he has attorned William, son of William of Waleswood, to the canons for all the services which William of Waleswood and his ancestors had paid William Mody for the tenement they hold of him in Waleswood. The services are in future to be rendered to the canons as chief lords of the fee because of this quitclaim. Seal. Witnesses: Sim. de Lettelwell, Jn. Bernard of Hertal, Hugh son of Thos, of Waleswood.

HERTFORDSHIRE

Offley

522 [-1207] Grant in alms by Amice de la Mare at the petition of her friends and on the advice of [Geoffrey] her son and heir, of all her rights in the church of Offley, that is, as much right as the lord of a fee has in presentation. The gift was made with the consent of Adam, parson of the church, and G., the vicar, for the souls of the donor and Reynold her husband. Seal. Witnesses: Ellis of Wraxall, Pet. of Easton, Ellis of Studley, Rog. Burel, Hubert Malcovenaunt.

¹ Roger, father of William, occ. 1238 (535).

- 523 [1197 × 1207] Confirmation by Geoffrey St. Leger [11], of the gift of the advowson of the church of Offley made to the canons by Amice de la Mare his grandmother, with the consent of Geoffrey his father, who confirmed the gift [659]. To be held as freely as Thomas de la Mare, or Ralph de Ambli, or their predecessors had held. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Longespee [1], earl of Salisbury, Hugh de Neville, Thos. of Sandford, Rog. Burel, Wm. Talbot, Geof. le Veel, Rog. of Calne, Ad. of Easton, Wm. de Wyke, Rob. of Lavington, Jordan of St. Quintin abbot of Otham, Alan de la Mare, Wal. de Neville, Master Phil. de Acle, Ric. de Troham, Wm. St. Leger, Rob. de Dene, Randal the monk.
- 524 [1199 × 1219] Inspeximus and confirmation by William Marshall [1], earl of Pembroke, of the charters of Amice de la Mare [522] and Geoffrey of St. Leger, once patrons of the church of Offley [659], and of the charter of Geoffrey, son and heir of the aforesaid Geoffrey [523]. From these he had learned that the canons have the right of advowson of the church of Offley, which is of his fee. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. Marshall, son of the earl, Hen. son of Gerold, Wm. of Duston, Ralph Neville dean of Lichfield, Wal. of London clerk, Wm. of London clerk, who wrote this charter.
- 525 20 Jan. 1239. Final concord made at Westminster in the Octave of St. Hilary, 23 Henry III, before Robert of Lexinton, William of York, William of Culworth, Henry of Bath, justices. Between William of St. Leger, quer., and Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, deforc., concerning the advowson of the church of Offley. Assize of ultima presentacio was summoned. William recognized the right of presentation to belong to the prior and his church which had been given them by Amice de Mara, great-great-grandmother of William, who is her heir. The prior received William into all the benefits and prayers henceforth in the church of Bradenstoke.
- 526 23 Aug. 1240. *Inspeximus* by Robert [Grosseteste], bishop of Lincoln, of the ordinance made by Thomas, archdeacon of Lincoln, concerning the church of Offley.
- 25 Apr. 1240. The dispute between Master John de Stoke, rector of Offley, and Master Henry de Gravel, rector of Stanground, concerning the whole portion which Henry had in the church of Offley, was settled on papal authority before the treasurer and cantor of Chichester by the mediation of Thomas, archdeacon of Lincoln. John and his successors in the church of Offley were to have their portion and that of Henry together, on condition that 18 marks of silver, 9 at Easter, 9 at Michaelmas, should be paid annually to Henry from Offley church if the bishop agreed. Both parties submitted to the ordinance under a penalty of £20 to be paid by the party breaking the agreement to the other party, and on pain of excommunication and interdict. Sealed by the archdeacon at Lincoln on the day of St. Mark the Evangelist, 1240.

Bishop Robert, having established by inquisition that the prior and canons of Bradenstoke were patrons, both of this portion and of the whole church of Offley, agreed to the ordinance and, with the consent of the canons, confirmed it. Chirograph sealed by the bishop. Liddington 10 Kal. Sept. 1240 in the sixth year of his episcopate. Witnesses: Sir Jn. archdeacon of Oxford, Master Rob. of Cadney official, Sir Jn. de Diham canon of Lincoln, Master Nic. Tessun, Leonard of [Dunwich], Jn. Grosseteste, Sir Benet de Burgo, Ste. de Castello, Rog. of Fritwell, Pet. of Stamford, clerks. [Printed: Rotuli Roberti Grosseteste, ed. F.N. Davis (Canterbury and York Soc., X, 1913), pp. 263, 267].

^a See 527.

527 [25 Jan. × 8 Feb.] 1243. Statement by Robert [Grosseteste] bishop of Lincoln, concerning the case which Master John, rector of Offley, brought against the abbess and nuns of Elstow, Lincoln diocese, before the treasurer and precentor of Chichester on the authority of Pope Gregory IX, concerning the tithes which the abbess and convent were accustomed to take from the demesne of Peter de Welles within the parish of Offley. It was amicably settled at Michaelmas 1242 that the nuns were to have in perpetuity all the tithes in the demesne which they had had from antiquity to the time of this composition, without objection from the rector or his successors, except the tithes from the field called Hikendon in the said parish. These, for the sake of peace, they conceded to the rector and his canonically instituted successors, promising that they would not seek further tithes from that field. parties bound themselves by corporal oath to observe the agreement, renouncing all letters of petition. For greater security the bishop, at the request of both parties, confirmed the agreement by the authority of this chirograph, sealed by both parties and by the bishop and chapter of Lincoln. Witnesses: Master Rob. de Cadney, Rog. of Campden, Sir Jn. de Diham, Sir Jn. de Crachale canons of Lincoln, Masters Gerard de Weseham and Leonard of Dunwich, Sir Ric. of Poklington chaplain, Benet de Burgo, Ste. de Castello, Pet. of Stamford, Rog. of Fritwell, clerks. Buckden 8 Non.^a [sic] Feb. in the 8th year of his episcopate.

^a Possibly 8 Kal. (25 Jan.), 8 Id. (6 Feb.), or even 8 Feb.

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528 15 Nov. 1203. Oxford, All Saints in 15 days, 5 John. Before W. de Cantilupe, S. de Patishull, Henry de North', Richard de Senig', justices itinerant. Between Miles de Horspath and Gilbert, son of William, pet., and William [II], prior of Bradenstoke, ten. 1 hide of land in North Aston. Assize of Mort d'ancestor summoned. Miles and Gilbert quitclaimed their rights. Consideration: $3\frac{1}{2}$ marks of silver.

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- 529 [May 1224] Westminster, Easter in 5 weeks, 8 Hen. III. Before Martin de Patishull, Thomas de Muleton, Stephen de Segrave, Thomas de Heydon, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvage, justices. Between Felice, relict of John Cockerel, pet., by Walter del Bec, and Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, ten., by Hugh Lacock, his canon. A third part of a knight's fee in Seagry which Felice claimed as dower from her free tenement in Seagry which had belonged to her late husband. Felice quitclaimed her rights. Consideration: \(\frac{1}{2}\) mark of silver annually, payable at Christmas and Easter. In addition the prior gave her 10s. of silver. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 13].
- 530 12 Nov. 1221. Westminster, Morrow of St. Martin, 6 Hen. III. Before Stephen de Segrave, Ralph Harang, Thomas de Heydon, justices. Between Agnes, daughter of Adam Malherbe, and Felice, Maud, and Millicent, her sisters, pet., by Agnes, and Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, ten. 1 virgate of land in Sodbury. Agnes, Felice, Maud, and Millicent quitclaimed their rights in the land. Consideration: 100s. sterling.
- 531 20 Oct. 1221. Westminster, St. Michael in 3 weeks, 6 Hen. III. Before Martin de Patishull, Ralph Harang, Stephen Segrave, Thomas de Heydon, Robert de Lexinton, justices. Between Henry of Braybrook and Christine, his wife, pet., by Henry, and Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, ten. 1 virgate of land in Burton [Latimer]. The prior recognized the land to be the right of Christine. In recognition Henry and Christine conceded the land to the canons in alms.
- 532 20 June 1227. Wilton, Trin. in 15 days, 11 Hen. III. Before Thomas de Muleton, Robert of Lexinton, William de [Shorewelle], Jordan Oliver, Warin, son of Joel, justices itinerant. Between Richard, son of Robert, pet., and Christine Lentier, ten. 4 messuages and a rent of 5s. in Wilton. Richard quitclaimed his right to Christine. Consideration: 40s. sterling. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 14].
- 533 I July 1236. Westminster, Octave of St. John the Baptist, 20 Hen. III. Before Thomas de Muleton, Adam son of William, William de Culworth, John de Kyrkby, justices. Between Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, pet., by Brother Gervase, his canon, and William Chambers and Felice his wife, imped. Five virgates of land in Upper and Lower Seagry. Plea of warranty of charter summoned. William and Felice recognized the land to be the right of the prior, as of their gift. To render 6d. to William and Felice and her heirs at Michaelmas for all service except the royal service. Warranty. Consideration: 40 marks of silver. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 27].
- 534 I July 1236. Westminster [date and justices as 533]. Between Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, pet., by Brother Gervase, his canon, and John Chambers

¹ Probably Richard son of Robert Stanton. See 307.

- and Alice his wife, *imped*. One virgate of land and 5 acres of meadow and 1 acre of wood in Upper and Lower Seagry. Plea of warranty of charter summoned. John and Alice recognized the property to be the right of the prior as of their gift. To render 6d. to John and Alice and her heirs at Michaelmas for all service except the king's foreign service. Warranty. Consideration: 29 marks of silver. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 27].
- 535 1 July 1238. Westminster, Octave of St. John the Baptist, 22 Hen. III. Before Robert de Lexington, William of Culworth, Hugh Giffard, Henry of Bath, justices. Between Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, pet., by John Strawelun, and Roger Mody, ten. Fourteen acres of land and 4 acres of meadow in Waleswood. Roger recognized the land and meadow to be the right of the canons and surrendered them in court, making a quitclaim on behalf of himself and his heirs. Consideration: 2 marks of silver. [Calendared: Feet of Fines for the County of York, 1232-46, ed. John Parker (Yorks. Archaeological Soc., LXVII, 1925), p. 51].^a
- ^a In the Parker edn. Hugh Giffard and Henry of Bath are omitted and William of York and Adam son of William added.
- 536 2 May 1294. Westminster, Easter in 15 days, 22 Edw. I. Before John de Metingham, Robert of Hertford, Ellis de Bekyngham, Peter Malore, justices. Between John Jonkyn of Earlscourt, quer., and Robert Pypard of Lambourne and Alice his wife, imped. A messuage and 30 acres in West Tockenham. Plea of warranty of charter summoned. Robert and Alice recognized the property to be the right of John, as of their gift. John to hold of the chief lords of the fee by the service due from the tenement. Warranty. Consideration: £10 of silver [Calendared: Wilts. Fines II, p. 39].
- 537 22 July 1241. Gloucester, St. John the Baptist in 1 month, 25 Hen. III. [Justices as in 148]. Between Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, quer., and William of Westcote, deforc. Concerning the custom and service the prior claimed from William for the free tenement which he held of the canons in Westcote, and from which the prior claimed 10s. a year for 1 virgate with homage and reliefs, and which William refuses. William agreed to pay the 10s., half at Easter, half at Michaelmas, and to do homage and pay relief when due. Consideration: 1 sore sparrow-hawk.
- 538 2 June 1241. Wilton, Octave of Trin., 25 Hen. III. [Justices as in 148]. Between Robert, son of Robert the farrier, pet., and Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, ten. Concerning 3 messuages in Chippenham. And also between Robert and the prior, whom Alfred of Cheverden called to warrant, and who warranted him for a rent of 2s. in the same township. Assize of Mort d'ancestor was summoned. Robert quitclaimed his right in the messuages and rent. Consideration: 2 marks of silver. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 31].

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- 539 9 June 1241. Wilton, Trin. in 15 days, 25 Hen. III. [Justices as in 148]. Between Isabel, daughter of Walter of Oare, pet., and Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, ten. One virgate of land in Oare. Assize of Mort d'ancestor summoned. Simon recognized the land to be the right of Isabel and surrendered it to her in court. To be held by Isabel and her heirs in perpetuity, rendering 22s. annually for the land, and for $\frac{1}{2}$ hide which Isabel previously held of the prior, payable at Easter and Michaelmas. Consideration: 1 sore sparrow-hawk. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 33].
- 540 25 Nov. 1246. Westminster, St. Martin in 15 days, 30 Hen. III. Before Henry of Bath, Roger de Thirkelby, Robert of Nottingham, Jollan de Neville, Gilbert of Preston, Master Robert de Shardelake, John de Cobham, justices. Between William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, quer., and John Cheney and Margery his wife, imped. Three virgates of land in Winterbourne and Shrewton. Plea of warranty of charter summoned. John and Margery recognized the land to be the right of the prior, as of their gift, to be held of them in alms, rendering a pair of white gloves or 1d. annually at Easter. The service to the chief lords to be rendered through John and Margery and her heirs. Warranty. Consideration: 90 marks of silver. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 36].
- 541 3 Feb. 1247. Westminster, Morrow of Purification, 31 Hen. III. Before the king himself, William de Cantilupe, Ralph son of Nicholas, Hertram of Cherhill, Paul Peyure the king's steward, Jeremy de Saxton, justices. Between [William] prior of Bradenstoke, quer., and [Robert] abbot of Stanley, deforc. Concerning tithes of sheaves from 4 hides of land in Costow, except those from 2 acres which were given to the church of Elyngdon as tithes, and which the prior complains have been unjustly retained by the abbot. The prior quitclaimed all right to the sheaves and in return the abbot gave him an annual rent of 2 marks: 10s, from the tenement that Roger Young held in Shrewton, together with the homage and service of Roger; 5s. from the tenement which Margery le Trappere held of the abbot and her homage and service; 10s. rent from the mill of Stratford which Nicholas, son of Ralph, held in Canford, with the homage of Nicholas; and 20d. from the abbot. These are in addition to the 5s. rent he has paid the prior annually for a tenement in Stanley, so that in future he will not pay 5s. but $\frac{1}{2}$ mark. The prior is to hold in alms. Warranty. Roger, Margery, and Nicholas were present in court and understand that they hold these tenements and owe service for them. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 63].
- 542 27 May 1247. Oxford, Morrow of Trinity, 31 Hen. III.^a Before Roger Thurkilby, Gilbert of Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, John de Cobham, justices itinerant. Between William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, quer., by Brother Gervase, his canon, and Ralph de Diva, deforc. One virgate of land

^a 21 Hen. III in calendar, but among fines of 31 Henry III.

- in Barford. Plea of covenant summoned. Ralph recognized the land, with the villeins and their families, to be the right of the prior. To be held in alms, rendering only foreign service. Warranty. Consideration: 40s. sterling. [Calendared: Oxford Fines, p. 133].
- 543 14 May 1249. Wilton, Morrow of Ascension, 33 Hen. III. Before Henry of Bath, Alan de Wasand, William of Wilton, Reynold de Cobeham, William de Hinton, justices itinerant. Between William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, quer., by Brother Gervase, his canon, and Thomas of Dodford, deforc. Concerning 30s. arrears which Thomas owes on an annual rent of 2s. Thomas undertook to pay the rent each year at the feast of St. Mary in March. In return the prior remitted the arrears and the damage he claimed to have suffered by the retention of the rent up to the day the fine was made. If the rent is not paid, Thomas and his heirs may be distrained on their chattels at Clevancy until the arrears are paid in full. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 40].
- 544 7 May 1256. Wilton, Easter in 3 weeks, 40 Hen. III. Before Gilbert of Preston, Roger of Winchester, William de Englefield, William de Cobeham, justices itinerant. Between Robert le Veel, pet., and William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, ten. Three virgates of land in Winterbourne and Shrewton. Robert recognized the land to be the right of the prior. To be held in alms of Robert and his heirs, rendering a pair of white gloves or 1d. at Easter, and performing the services due to the chief lord of the fee on behalf of Robert. Warranty. Consideration: 8 marks of silver. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 48].
- 545 13 Oct. 1260. Westminster, Michaelmas in 15 days, 44 Hen. III. Before Gilbert of Preston, John de Weyville, John de Kana, justices. Between Laurence of Compton, quer., and William [III], prior of Bradenstoke, imped., by Robert Delmerden. Three virgates in Lillington. Plea of warranty of charter summoned. The prior recognized the land to be the right of Laurence, as of the gift of the prior. To be held of the prior and his successors, rendering 20s. annually at Bradenstoke, payable at Michaelmas and Easter for all services. Laurence is to perform the service to the chief lord of the fee on behalf of the prior. Warranty. Consideration: 1 sore sparrow-hawk.
- 546 3 June 1261. Bristol, Morrow of Ascension, 45 Hen. son of John. Before Gilbert of Preston, Martin of Littlebury, William de Englefield, Geoffrey of Lewknor, itinerant justices. Between Luke the clerk and Lucy his wife, and Joan and Amfelisia her sisters, pet., and [Geoffrey], prior of Bradenstoke, ten., by William of Lydiard. Concerning 11 acres of land and 45s. rent in Ampney Crucis. Luke, Lucy, Joan, and Amfelisia quitclaimed their rights in the land and the rent to the prior. Consideration: 10 marks of silver.

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- 547 11 June 1262.¹ Chelmsford, Octave of Trinity, 46 Hen. son of John. Before Nicholas de Turri, Robert de Brywes, William de Englefield, Adam de Grainville, William Bonqueor, itinerant justices. Between Geoffrey, abbot of St. Wandrille, quer., by Brother Robert Beyfew, his monk, and William de Munchensey, deforc. Concerning the advowson of the church of Towcester. Assize of ultima presentacio was summoned. The abbot agreed that on this occasion William should present a suitable clerk, and in return William conceded for himself and his heirs that, after the death of the clerk admitted on his presentation, the abbot and his successors might present their clerks as often as there was a vacancy without interference. He also quitclaimed all right to the advowson. Consideration: £20 sterling.
- 548 9 Feb. 1272. Westminster, Octave of Purification, 56 Hen.^a III. Before Martin of Littlebury, Stephen Haym, Robert Fulcon, justices. Between Geoffrey [I], prior of Bradenstoke, quer., and Henry of Baynton and Joan his wife, imped. Thirty-one acres of land and \(\frac{3}{4} \) acre of meadow in West Tockenham. Plea of warranty of charter summoned. Henry and Joan recognized the land to be the right of the prior, as of their gift. They also granted 1 messuage in Murefield, once held by Thomas of Tockenham, and a croft in the same township called Benecroft. To be held in alms of Henry and Joan. Warranty. Henry and Joan also quitclaimed their right in the common pasture which they used to have in the place called Hulewerk. In return the prior received them and their heirs into all future benefits and prayers in the church of Bradenstoke. [Calendared: Wilts. Fines I, p. 61].
- ^a Both cartularies have 46 Hen., but this can be seen by the names of the justices to be an error.

ROYAL CHARTERS

549 [6 Oct. 1174 × Apr. 1179] Confirmation by Henry II of gifts made to the canons in alms: from Walter of Salisbury the whole township of Bradenstoke with its church; I hide of land in Etchilhampton and the chapel of Lake; from Earl Patrick, the township and church of Wilcot and a salt-pan at Waldeflet in Canford; from Earl William, the church of Canford and the chapel of St. Andrew at Chitterne; from William of Littlecott the land [of Dene]^a very near Bradenstoke; from William Malcovenaunt [22 acres]^b of land; from Richard Cotel I virgate of land in Lake; from William of Aston^c the church of North

a See 5.

^b See 565.

^c In the text of this charter the church of North Aston is described as the gift of Richard Cotel. This same error occurs in the royal, papal, and episcopal confirmations, but the charters of the Aston family, Earl Patrick, Earl William, and the archdeacon of Oxford are correct.

¹ Twenty-three years before the church was given to the canons.

Aston and 50 acres of his inland, with the consent of Osbert, his son, and 3 dwelling-houses, and 1 virgate of land bought by the canons from Reynold of St. Paul. Witnesses: R[ic. of Ilchester] bishop of Winchester, G[eof. Ridel] bishop of Ely, Ric. de Lucy, Wm. earl of Gloucester, R[ob.] earl of Leicester.

- 550 21 June 1232. Grant by Henry III to Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, of an annual fair at Bradenstoke of 5 days' duration, that is, on the eve of the Nativity of Blessed Mary, the feast, the morrow, and 2 further days. provided that the fair is not a disadvantage to neighbouring fairs. Witnesses: H[ubert] de Burgh earl of Kent, justiciar of England, Ric. de Agentan, Wm. de Cantilupe, Godf. de Grantcoumbe. [Calendared: CChR, 1226-37, p. 159].
- 551 16 Apr. 1303.1 Letters patent of Edward I, granting licences for alienation in mortmain in return for a fine paid by the prior at the Treasury. The canons are permitted to receive, and the following to give, land or rents: Robert le Brut of West Tockenham to give 6 acres in West Tockenham; Robert de la Hyde of Lydiard to give 1 messuage and 6 bovates of land in Lydiard Millicent; Thomas of Chiseldon to give 1 messuage and ½ virgate of land in Chaddington; Nicholas Ingram of Shrewton to give 1 messuage and 2 virgates in Shrewton; John of Cerne, brother of Reynold Burel, to give 16s. rent in Langley. Witnessed by the king himself. Laneham 16 Apr. 31 Edw. I. [Calendared: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, pp. 296-7].
- 552 30 May 1205.2 Grant in alms by King John of pasture for 40 cows and their calves up to the age of 1 year, and for 2 bulls, in the enclosure in his forest of Chippenham, and of a place called Aldebur' within the bounds of the forest, so that they may erect cattle-sheds and other necessary buildings for their own use. Witnesses: Sir R[eynold] archbishop of Canterbury, Sir W[m.] bishop of London, G[eof.] son of Peter, earl of Essex, R[anulph] earl of Chester, W[m.] Longespee earl of Salisbury, Rob. son of Rog., Rog. constable of Chester.^a Given by the hand of Joscelin of Wells at Porchester, 30 May 7 John.
- ^a The last 2 witnesses and the date are supplied from Rot. Cht., p. 152, where this charter is printed.
- 553 8 July 1215. Grant by King John of the right to have 1 sumpter-horse daily in his forest of Chippenham to carry 2 loads of birch, alder, ash, maple, and willow to Bradenstoke under his protection, without hindrance by his foresters. Witnesses: Sir H[en.] archbishop of Dublin, Hugh de Neville, Thos.

The inquisition was held at Swindon, 15 July 1302: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 295; CPR, 1301-7, p. 131. Only one of the grants is recorded in the cartularies (320).
 The date and the witnesses conflict. Archbishop Reynold was cons. after July 1205. On 30 May 1206 Joscelin of Wells was cons. bishop of Bath and Glastonbury. It seems likely that the initial was wrongly copied (cf. 6) and that the archbishop was still Hubert Walter who died 13 July 1205.

- of Sandford, Wm. de Cantilupe, Wm. de Harcourt, Hen. de Tracy, Hen. son of the earl, Hugh de Boues, Jn. Russell.^a Given by the hand of Master Ric. Marsh his chancellor, Marlborough 8 July 17 John.
- ^a The last 3 witnesses and the date are supplied from Rot. Cht., p. 212, where this charter is printed.
- 554 1 Oct. 1209. Confirmation by King John to the canons of the right to hold in alms all the land of Hamstead which was William Crassy's in his manor of Sodbury, and which Adam Malherbe and his ancestors held of William and his ancestors, and of the rent and services of Adam, as shown in William's charter [429]. Witnesses: Sir P[et.] bishop of Winchester, R[anulph] earl of Chester, R. constable of Chester, Wm. son of Gerold, Pet. son of Herb., Mat. son of Herb., Wm. de Cantilupe, Geof. Lutterel, Thos. son of Ad. Given at Freemantle by the hand of Robert de Vipont, 1 Oct. in the 11th year of his reign. Consideration: 2 tuns of good wine.
- 555 9 Dec. 1283. Letters patent of Edward I to Master Geoffrey de Aspale, granting him licence to alienate to the canons in mortmain 1 messuage, 60 acres, and 13 acres of land, 16 acres of wood, 8 acres of meadow in North Lydiard. The canons have permission to receive it. Witnessed by the king himself. Leominster 9 Dec. in the 12th year of his reign. [Calendared: *CPR*, 1281-92, p. 107].
- 556 2 Jan. 1285. Grant by Edward I to the canons of free warren in all their demesne lands of Bradenstoke, Lyneham, and Wilcot in the county of Wiltshire, provided that they do not lie within the bounds of the king's forest. Nobody is to enter the lands to hunt or to capture anything without the permission of the canons under a penalty of £10. Witnesses: R[ob.] bishop of Bath and Wells, Thos. bishop of St. Davids, Edm. the king's brother, Wm. de Valence the king's uncle, Gilb. of Clare earl of Gloucester and Hertford. Given by the king's hand at Bristol, 2 Jan. in the 13th year of his reign.
- 557 25 Feb. 1286. Inspeximus by Edward I of the letters of donation, concession, confirmation, and permutation made between the abbot of St. Wandrille, order of St. Benedict, diocese of Rouen, and the prior and convent of Bradenstoke, order of St. Augustine, diocese of Salisbury. [Abstract of 503 follows].

This is confirmed by the king, saving his rights and those of his heirs. Witnesses: R[ob.] bishop of Bath and Wells the king's chancellor, Edm. the king's brother, Gilb. of Clare earl of Gloucester and Hertford, Edm. earl of Cornwall. Given by the king's hand at Westminster, 25 Feb. in the 14th year of his reign. [Calendared: CChR, 1257-1300, p. 329].

558 13 July 1302. Letters patent of Edward I, stating that for a fine made

with him by Henry of Blunsdon, his chaplain, in the presence of John of Droxford, deputizing for the treasurer, he has granted Henry a licence to alienate to the canons in mortmain 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land in West Tockenham. The canons have permission to receive the property. Witnessed by the king himself at Westminster, 13 July in the 30th year of his reign. [Calendared: CPR, 1301-7, p. 43; Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 294].

559 6 July 1307. Letters patent of Edward I, stating that for a fine made with him in his Chancery by the prior of Bradenstoke, he has granted a licence to Robert, son of Robert Russell, to alienate to the canons in mortmain 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land in West Tockenham. The canons may hold this property in exchange for 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land in Lydiard Millicent, which they are to give in fee to Robert. Witnessed by the king himself at Caldecotes, 6 July in the 35th year of his reign. [Calendared: CPR, 1301-7, p. 537].

560 8 Mar. 1319. [Another copy of 440].

- 561 17 Oct. 1284. Letters patent of Edward I granting licence to Henry de Lacy, earl of Lincoln, to alienate in mortmain lands and rents to the value of 5 marks in his manor of Canford in the county of Dorset, to a chaplain who shall celebrate divine service there in perpetuity [368]. The chaplain has permission to receive the grant. Witnessed by the king at Caernarvon, a 17 Oct. 12 Edw. I.
 - ^a Both texts have Daernar' but the king was at Caernarvon on that date.
- 562 28 Nov. 1313. *Inspeximus* of Edward II of a charter of King Henry, his grandfather.

21 June 1232. Concession and confirmation of Henry III of the site of the church of St. Mary, Bradenstoke, and of all the gifts of previous kings and others given, or to be given, to the canons, and all lands, men, possessions, and liberties. He confirms his grants of soc and sac, thol and theam, infangenethef and outfangenethef, with quittance from all gelds, Danegelds, hidgages, carucages, shires, hundreds, suits of shires, hundreds, and wapentakes, aids of sheriffs, castle-wards, works, bridgework, enclosing of parks, and of wardpenny, avedpenny, thethingpenny, hengwite, flemewyte, leirwite, bletwite, fichwite, grethbrege, fremeneswite, forestall, hamsocn, heyfare, and frankpledge on condition that the view is held in the prior's court in the presence of the king's serjeant, summoned for the purpose. The amercements are to belong to the canons. They and their men are quit of the lawing of dogs throughout their lands. Woods, assarts, both old and new, are to be perpetually quit of waste and the regard. They may take from the

¹ The inquisition was held in Kingsbridge hundred on 6 July 1307 (Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 344), but in the cartularies the licence is said to have been issued by the king in Cumberland on on the same day – the day before his death.

woods what they need for their own use, without the view of foresters, verderers, and their officers. They are to be quit of toll throughout the realm for everything they buy for their own use and carry by land or water. Witnesses: Hubert de Burgh earl of Kent, justiciar of England, Ric. de Argentan, Wm. de Cantilupo, Godf. de Grauntcombe, Jn. son of Phil., Geof. de Cauz, Ralph Tyrel, Ric. son of Hugh, Hen. de Capella. Given at Westminster by the hand of Ralph bishop of Chichester, the king's chancellor, 21 June, 16 Hen. III.

Edward II also confirmed the charter made by Hilary de Godarville granting all her land in Burton [Latimer], which she had of the gift of Nicholas Malmains her brother, and of all her rights in the township [510].

Witnesses: W[al.] bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, Aymer de Valence earl of Pembroke, Hugh le Despenser, Tibbald de Verdun, Rog. Mortimer [of Chirk], Bartholomew de Badlesmere, Edm. Mauley steward of the king's household. Given by the king's hand at Westminster, 28 Nov. in the 7th year of his reign. [Calendared: CChR, 1226-57, p. 159 (charter of Hen. III); CChR, 1300-26, p. 225 (inspeximus of Edward II)].

Vit. version only.

563 12 Oct. 1337. [Another copy of 441]

564 13 Feb. 1361. Charter of Edward III granting a weekly market to be held on Fridays, and an annual fair of 4 days' duration to be held at Bradenstoke on the eve, the day of St. George, and the 2 following days, unless the fair and market are to the disadvantage of neighbouring markets and fairs. Witnesses: S[im.] archbishop of Canterbury, primate of all England, W[m.] bishop of Winchester, the king's chancellor, R[ob.] bishop of Salisbury, Sim. abbot of Westminster, the king's treasurer, Hen. duke of Lancaster, Ric. Arundel, Thos. earl of Warwick, Guy de Brian, steward of the Household. Given by the king at Westminster, 13 Feb. 35 Edw. III. [Calendared: CChR, 1341-1417, p. 169].

565 20 July 1232. Confirmation by Henry III of the grants listed in the inspeximus of King John.¹

17 Sept. 1207. From Walter of Salisbury, all the township of Bradenstoke with its church, 1 hide in Etchilhampton, and the chapel of Lake; from Earl Patrick of Salisbury, the whole township of Wilcot with its church, and a salt-pan at Canford; from Earl William of Salisbury, the church of Canford, and the chapel of St. Andrew, Chitterne; from William of Littlecott, land convenient to Bradenstoke; from William Malcovenaunt, land; from Richard Cotel, 1 virgate in Lake [633]; from William of Aston, 50 acres of his inland

¹ The charter of John was witnessed by: J. bishop of Bath, W[m. Longespee] earl of Salisbury, the king's brother, H. de Neville, Wm. de Cantilupo the king's steward, Thos. Basset, Thos. of Sandford, Rob. de Roppell, Rob. de B'kel, Wal. de Lacy, Hen. Biset, Geof. de Neville, Ad. of Stowell, Rob. de Leu, Hervey Belet. By the hand of H. de Well', archdeacon of Wells. Bristol 17 Sept. 9 John.

with the consent of Osbert his son, and 3 dwelling-houses, and 1 virgate in the township which the canons bought of Reynold of St. Paul; from William Marshall, earl of Pembroke, the church of Easton [Royal] [264]; from Hugh of Chaworth, I hide in Milton [464]; from Roger of Berkeley, a croft called Henley in Dodington, 11 acres near Widewell, 1 acre of meadow near Sleperesthorn and another in Langelande, and the whole furlong of arable land between Holebrok and the old Lupizet [423]; from William son of Everard [of Littlecott], 2 parts of the tithes of his whole demesne in Orcheston. both arable and pasture [2]; from Simon of Tockenham, 27s. rent in Imber [287]; from William Kenebaud, all his land in Canford [623]; from William, son of Hugh of Hinton, 2 minas of corn annually at Michaelmas [60]: from Geoffrey, son of the count of Perche, 7s. rent in Wanborough [235]; from Matthew of Tormarton, ½ virgate in Tormarton held by Wolfric; from Maurice, son of Matthew, ½ hide in Tormarton, held by Thurkyl and confirmed by Walter of Tormarton; from the same Walter, pasture for 500 sheep in the common pasture of Tormarton, and for 8 oxen and 4 cows, and for other beasts and pigs in the common pasture; from Niel of Moredon, 1 virgate in Haydon, held by Robert Sprot [220]; from Earl William, pasture for 100 sheep in the township of Chitterne [300]; from William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, I virgate in Amesbury which William, son of Patrick, earl of Salisbury, gave to Simon Child [278]; from the same William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, & virgate in Chitterne which Tresmund Culling held and another which R. Algar held [646]; from Walter Crook, I quarry, according to his charter [344, 346]; from John, son of Gilbert, half the township of Easton [Royal] [262]; from William, son of Everard [of Littlecott] 60 acres above la Frithe [25]; from Robert de Ewyas, all the service of Robert, son of Everard, in Horningsham, and rents and reliefs [286]; from Stephen of Langford, 1/2 hide in Chitterne, and a messuage in Wilton which Roger de Porta held, and 1 virgate in Langford, with a messuage and 2 acres of meadow and pasture for 120 sheep, 12 plough-beasts, 12 pigs, and 1 mare [280]; from William Blund, 5s. annually from Stanley [620]; from William of Coate, 1 virgate in Coate which Roger Pynel held [327]; from Nicholas de Hispania, 3 virgates which they have in Winterbourne super montes [316]; from Osbert of Aston, the church of North Aston and the tenement of Ralph Bucknell which his father previously gave to the church, that is, 50 acres of inland, with 3 dwelling-houses and 1 virgate which the canons bought of Reynold of St. Paul [662]; from Richard Murdac, land worth 7s. from the virgate which Adam, son of Ederic, held in Alkerton, and which his heirs should hold from the canons by inheritance, paying them 7s. rent [447]; from William Boterel, ½ virgate in Hatherop [601]; from the same William, 1 messuage in Ludgershall [269]; from Adam, son of William, 1 hide of land in Blunsdon, and 1 messuage which Cutel held [222]; from the same Adam, 4 hides in Blunsdon; from Berengar, steward of William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, 1 hide in Winterborne, Dorset, and pasture for 10 resting oxen in pasture with his own, and 10 cows, 20 pigs, 300 sheep, 2 bulls, and 20 resting beasts and 40 goats [617]; from the same Berengar, common pasture for 100 sheep in Winterborne, Dorset,

which belonged to Hugh de Fercles, and permission for the canons' sheep to feed with his and be kept in the canons' own fold with free access, and rents [618]; from Ralph Lovel of Clive, the mill of Christian Malford with the watercourse and the hamlet called Middelcoumbe, and with the land between the gate and the water, enclosed by a ditch, for building a house [150]; from the same Ralph, 5s. rent from ½ virgate and 3 acres in Petsaga, and the homage of Roger, son of Osmund, and his heirs [151]; from Philip of Farley, all his land of Hatherop [479]; from the same Philip, all his land in North Cerney [602]; from Alexander of Seagry, the church of Seagry [163]; from the same Alexander, a place called Sechedewell, in which there used to be a fishpond and a mill, so that they may rebuild one or the other, or both [164]; from Reynold, bishop of Bath, with the assent of Alexander, dean of Wells, and the chapter, the church of Chilcompton [385]; from Amice de la Mare, with the consent of G[eoffrey] her son and heir, all her right in the church of Offley [522]; from Geoffrey St. Leger, all his right in the same church [523]; from Richard Ruffus, all his tenements situated between the land of William, son of Isabel, and that of Warin Culippe in the parish of St. Nicholas, London [611]; from John, son of Stephen, 1 virgate in Winterbourne super montes [318]; from Alice de Cheney, 1 virgate in Barford [499]; from Humphrey Crook, 4 acres of land in Draycot [Foliat] [609, 610]; from Thomas de Fercles, 1 virgate in Winterborne, Dorset, which was held by Walter the palmer [612]; from William de la Warde, 4 houses in Cirencester [627]; from Alexander Crede, the land he bought from Richard, knight, of Calne with all the houses, 2 hams near the spring Clamie belonging to the land, and the land he bought from William, son of Edive and Walter the cowherd, and the houses built on it [103]; from Hugh Hussey, 12d, annually from his rent in Bath [396]; from Adam Turgod, his land of Redcliff, which he bought from Walter Gebbel [407]; from John, son of William, chaplain of Redcliff, all the land which Richard de Mera held opposite the belfry of St. Mary, Redcliff [402]; from Tibbald of Winterbourne, all his rent from the land which William de Amenesch held of him in Somerford [179]; from William Ruffus of North Aston, 2 acres of land which Adam the clerk held; from Robert of Ewyas the promise to pay 6 marks annually in alms whenever he, or his heirs, present a parson in a vacancy to any of the churches in his fee; from William of Newmarket, quittance of toll in Hinton by Bristol for their waggons, and a free passage [652]; from Geoffrey le Veel, 12d. from the mill of Amesbury at the Purification [276]; from Roger, son of Everard, 1 croft in the street called Rewe, outside the walls of Devizes [336]; from William the carter, all his land of Chippenham [628]; from William Cokerel, the first of 3 acres of his meadow in Seagry [172]; from Sewall de Oseville, a measure of corn at Michaelmas [626]; from King John, pasture for 40 cows and their calves up to the age of 1 year, and 2 bulls, at a place called Aldebur' in the forest of Chippenham for building cowsheds and other houses for their own use [552]; from Hugh of Upham, 2 acres of land in Upham [624]; from Adam Malherbe, the mill of Ekikeford [621]; from W[alter], archbishop of Rouen, a confirmation of the grant of the church of Rogerville, at the petition of William

Longespee, earl of Salisbury [644]; from Geoffrey, son of Peter, a confirmation of the grant of 1 hide in Costow which Maud, his mother, and Robert, his brother, gave with a messuage [258]; from the same Geoffrey, 2 acres in croft near the messuage; from Roger de Montford, the confirmation of the 12s. which Patrick, his brother, had given from his rent of West Amesbury. He and his heirs will acquit the rent of service to the king and the earl of Salisbury [589, 608]; from Hubert Malcovenaunt, a confirmation of the grant of 22 acres made by William his father; from Margery, countess of Brittany, the confirmation of the gift of land worth 1 mark in Wilsford which Humphrey de Bohun [III], her husband, had left the canons in his will [590]; from William, earl of Gloucester, the confirmation of quittance to the canons for all that they, or their men, bought or sold in Bristol [401]; from Richard, abbot of Cirencester, the concession and release, and the same from Robert, prior of Cirencester [21, 22]; from Hubert, once bishop of Salisbury, a confirmation of their possessions [3]; from Hubert, archbishop of Canterbury, a confirmation of their release from Circucester [23].

This charter of his father is confirmed by Henry. Witnesses: Huberta [de Burgh], earl of Kent, justiciar of England, Hugh de Neville, Ric. de Argentan, Godf. of Grantcoumbe, Jn. son of Phil., Geof. de Cauz, Ric. son of Hugh, Hen. de Capella. By the hand of R[alph] bishop of Chichester, the king's chancellor, Westminster, 20 July 16 Hen. III. [Printed: Rot. Cht., pp. 169-70 (John's charter, with witnesses); Monasticon, VI, pp. 339-40 (Henry III's re-issue)].

^a Hugh in both cartularies. The scribe of Stowe left a space for a surname.

CHARTERS OF THE EARLS OF SALISBURY

566 $[c. 1150 \times 1155]^1$ Confirmation in alms by Patrick, earl of Salisbury, to the church of St. Mary, Bradenstoke, built by Walter of Salisbury, his father, of the gifts his father had given to the canons there, namely, all the township of Bradenstoke with the church; 1 hide of land in Etchilhampton; the chapel of Lake and 1 virgate of land in the same township which Richard Cotel gave [633] free of all services but the king's Danegeld. Earl Patrick himself gave the whole township of Wilcot and the church. Also land worth £12 in exchange for the land of Wilsford which his father had given, and land worth £10 for the health of the souls of his parents and of the Countess Maud, his first wife. He gave the rest of the manor of Wilcot and its church in compensation for the claims the canons have to the church of Canford and the chapel of St. Andrew, Chitterne.

In addition he confirms the gifts of others: land given by William of Littlecott wherever it would be most convenient to Bradenstoke; the land given by William Malcovenaunt; a salt-pan at Waldeflet by Canford with the land belonging to it; the church of North Aston and 50 acres of inland

¹ Maud, first wife of Earl Patrick, is thought to have died c. 1150: CP., XI, p. 377.

which William of Aston gave with the consent of Osbert his son, and 3 dwelling houses; I virgate of land in North Aston which the canons bought from Reynold of St. Paul. Witnesses: Ric. de Berners, Ellis son of Ralph, Rog. son of Geof., Miles of Dauntsey, Rob. son of Geof., Walcher son of Geof., a Alex. of Cheverell, Ric. Cotel, Wm. Malcovenaunt, Wm. of Littlecott, Arnold of Durley, Benet de Angerville, Rob. son of Anselm, Ste. of Langford, Rog. Burel, Rob. Bluzu, Rob. Winemanni, Rog. of Durnford, [? Wm.] son of Warin. [Printed: Monasticon, VI, p. 338].

- ^a Vit. (f. 200) has Walcher son of Ralph.
- b No Christian name given in either cartulary, but see 282.

567 [1179 × 1196]¹ Confirmation by William, earl of Salisbury, to the canons in alms for his soul and the souls of the Countess Ela his mother, Earl Patrick his father, Patrick his brother, of all that Walter of Salisbury, his grandfather, and Patrick, his father, had given to the canons, namely: the township and church of Bradenstoke; the township and church of Wilcot; 1 hide in Etchilhampton; the chapel of Lake and a salt-pan at Waldeflet in Canford. For the souls of Patrick his father and Patrick his brother he gives the church of Canford to be held by the canons as freely as ever Philip the clerk, Master Robert Winnam, and Richard of Candover held it. Also the chapel of St. Andrew, Chitterne. [He then confirms the gift of others, as in 566]. Witnesses: Wm. of St. Martin, Phil. and Wal., brothers of the donor, Osbert of Aston, Miles of Dauntsey, Humph. Blund, Herb. de Valer', Rob. Gerberd, Rob. of Fairford, Pet. Blund, Wm. de Poertre, Godf. of St. Martin, Miles Petit, Oliver of St. Martin. [Printed: Monasticon, VI, p. 338].

568 [1226 \times 1250] Confirmation in alms by William Longespee [II], son and heir of William Longespee of good memory, once earl of Salisbury, for the health of his soul and the soul of Idony his wife, of all the lands, rents, and tenements and possessions given to the canons by him, his predecessors, and others of his fee, or of the fee of another. The canons are to hold of him and his heirs and they and their tenants are to be free of suit to his courts and the hundred court, and from all other service due to him. Warranty. Seal appendent. Witnesses: Sir Hervey* prior of Bicester, Sir Reynold of Whitchurch, Ste. Longespee, Ric. Longespee, Wm. Turbet, Hen. de Mara, knights.

^a Hervey: Henry in 360, 568. Prior Hervey occ. 1252: Oxford Fines, p. 160.

After the death of Richard of Candover.

APPENDIX I

1291. This item fills two folios (24v.-25v.) with extracts concerning the possessions of Bradenstoke priory, taken from the Taxatio of 1291. [Printed: Taxatio, pp. 38, 43, 54, 181, 183-6, 192-4, 203-4, 221, 237, 325].

^a f. 25 was shorter than the other folios by about 6.5 cm. and a strip has been very neatly sewn to the bottom to bring it to the normal size.

570 1139 [before 11 Dec.] Gift in alms by Walter of Salisbury of the township of Bradenstoke with the church [of Lyneham], for the founding there of a convent of regular canons owing obedience to Abbot Serlo and the convent of the church of St. Mary, Cirencester, and their successors. The gift was made for the health of the souls of the donor and his wife and Walter, his son, and has been confirmed by Sibyl his wife, and William and Patrick his sons, in the presence of Roger, bishop of Salisbury. Witnesses: the same bishop of Salisbury and Sibyl.

571 Easter term 1402. Plea at Westminster before William Chernyng, justice of the King's Bench, and others. Roll 162. Easter Term 5 Hen. IV.

Ralph Repyngton, prebendary of Wilsford, in the cathedral church of Salisbury, was summoned by Thomas, prior of Bradenstoke, to pay £14 arrears owing on an annual rent of 18s. The prior, by Richard Tunbell, his attorney, stated that Richard Boterwell, his predecessor, once prior of Bradenstoke, was seised of this rent by the hand of Henry Winterton, recent holder of the prebend, at Bradenstoke at Michaelmas as of the right of the church of Salisbury and the prior from time out of mind up to 20 years before this petition, that is the 20th day of Oct. 2 Hen. IV.2 Ralph had withheld the rent and refused to pay and the prior claimed to have suffered loss and damage to the value of £40, and produced witnesses. Ralph denied the charge, saying he had found his prebend freed of the rent, and was unable to burden or unburden the prebend without leave of Richard, bishop of Salisbury. The bishop was summoned to attend at Trinity in 15 days. Ralph appointed William Armeston his attorney. The parties appeared on

Bishop Roger d. 11 Dec. 1139.
 In the petition dated 20 Oct. 1400 the rent is said to be 20 years in arrears, but the licence for the prebend was granted to Ralph on 23 Oct. 1398: Cal. Fine Rolls, 1396-9, p. 425. His predecessor had been appointed 1385: Le Neve, Fasti Ecclesiae Anglicanae, 1300-41, Salisbury diocese, p. 96.

the set day, but the bishop did not. Ralph was ordered to answer the charge without delay, and could not deny that he was bound to the prior for the rent and that arrears of £40 existed. The prior was awarded the rent and arrears, both before and after the petition and amounting to £14 14s. The loss was assessed at 13s. 4d. and Ralph was in mercy. The prior, of grace, remitted both the arrears and the damages.

572 4 Apr. 1484. Indenture made at Bradenstoke 4 Apr. 1 Ric. III, between Sir Thomas Walsh, prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent, and John Aune, esquire, and Alexander Aune, clerk, whereby the canons let at farm to John and Alexander their manor of North Aston near Deddington in the county of Oxford, the church there with the greater and lesser tithes, and all the profits of the rectory, together with the rents of Barford, Wootton, and Woodstock, the advowson of the vicarage and the presentation to it as often as it is vacant, the perquisites of court, fines, heriots, excepting only those reserved to the monastery. John and Alexander are to hold from Michaelmas next after the making of this indenture for a term of 30 years, rendering £8 of legal English money annually to the prior at Bradenstoke, payable at the Annunciation and Michaelmas. They shall competently repair all the straw-thatched houses and dovecotes of the manor, and the walls and timbering which have deteriorated from lack of roofing. They shall also repair the houses of the tenants and the fences and clear out the ditches of the manor. They must bear the cost of all the ordinary and extraordinary burdens of the manor and rectory. They may not fell or lop trees, nor cause any kind of waste, and must preserve unharmed all the old-established boundaries fixed between the convent and John. All the meadows, pastures, and arable lands occupied during the term shall be maintained in use each year and returned at the end of the period. They are to provide a receiver and ride with him twice a year to superintend the manor, collect the rents, food and drink, and hay, straw, and feed for the horses. The bailiffs and servants of John and Alexander are to abide continuously on the manor. If the rent is in arrears, in whole or in part, for 20 days after the end of any of the stated terms, the canons may enter and distrain and carry away and hold the distresses until both the rent and the arrears are paid. If the rent is in arrears for a full year and 6 weeks at any term, then the canons may reassume the manor, rent, rectory, and tithes and have peaceful possession in spite of this indenture. Seals.1

573 1347. Roll of the collectors for the year 21 Edw. III, enrolled among the pleas of the Michaelmas term.

25 Mar. 1342. Writ of 16 Edw. III under the Great Seal to his assessors and collectors in divers counties, stating that religious and other clergy had not been summoned to the last Parliament held at Westminster on the Wednesday after Mid-Lent Sunday, 14 Edw. III [29 Mar. 1340], when the

¹ The same prior brought a case against John Aune, grandson of John Aune, c. 1509: Select Cases in Star Chamber (Selden Soc., XV (2), 1911), pp. 1-4.

prelates had granted a ninth of sheaves, the ninth fleece, and the ninth lamb in aid of his overseas business, and had not conceded these ninths, but had paid the tenth on temporalities joined to spiritualities in 20 Edw. I [1291], and were exempted for the ninth except on lands acquired since 1291.

The prior of Bradenstoke, who had not been personally summoned to the Parliament of 1340, was shown by the rolls of Chancery to have paid the tax on his temporalities in 1291. If he had now paid the ninth it was to be restored to him and any distresses released. By the king himself, Eltham, in the 16th year of his reign in England and the 3rd in France.

The prior, through Nicholas of Ampney his attorney, stated that he had been heavily distrained by the sheriffs of Wiltshire, Dorset, and Gloucestershire for divers sums, although his temporalities were joined to his spritualities. The great roll for 18 Edw. III [1344-5] showed £9 paid in Wiltshire: 26s. 8d. in Shrewton; 13s. 4d. in Compton Bassett; 40s. in Lyneham; 20s. in Lydiard Tregoze; £4 in Wilcot; and they are also written in the detailed rolls of Robert Selyman and his colleagues, assessors of the ninth in Wilts. Similarly in the roll for 1344-5 for Dorset, where 30s. had been exacted: 10s. in Burton [Bradstock]; 20s. in Canford. The same was shown in the Dorset roll for 14 Edw. III [1340-1] and in the detailed rolls of the abbot of Sherborne and his colleagues, assessors for Dorset, now in the Treasury. And similarly in the roll for Gloucestershire for 1344-5 when 58s. 4d. had been exacted: 10s. in Great Sodbury; 9s. in Dodington; 13s. 4d. in Tormarton; 26s. in Fairford; as had been shown in the great roll for Gloucestershire for the year 15 [1341-2] and in the detailed rolls of the abbot of Winchcombe and his colleagues, assessors in Gloucestershire, and now in the Treasury. Writs still in the Treasury had been sent to the assessors and collectors to cease harassing the prior for the ninth on his temporalities joined to his spiritualities.

Particulars of the taxation of the temporalities of the clergy of the Sarum diocese in 1291 were found in the rolls. The prior was assessed at 74s. on Shrewton, archdeaconry of Salisbury, deanery of Wylye; 12d. on Compton Bassett, deanery of Avebury; £18 6s. in Lyneham; £12 14s. 4d. at Wilcot, deanery of Marlborough Exterior. In Burton, archdeaconry of Dorset, deanery of Bridport, £4 6s. 8d.; in Canford, deanery of Whitchurch, 40s. In the detailed roll of the temporalities of the clergy of the Worcester diocese, Tormarton was taxed at 42s. 6d.; lands and dovecotes at Fairford, 115s. 4d. These the prior had paid with the rest of the clergy.

It was found that the prior was not taxed for any temporalities in Lydiard Tregoze, Wilts., and Great Sodbury and Dodington in Gloucestershire. Asked why the ninth should not be levied he replied that he had a manor at Chaddington in Lydiard Tregoze parish and another called Hamstead in the parish of Sodbury and these had been taxed with his other temporalities. As for the 9s. assessed in the parish of Dodington, he said that in the year 1344 he had no land, tenements, goods, or chattels there liable to tax. He added that Shrewton and Chureveston were one place, as were Compton Bassett and Compton, and Wilcot and Walecot and Burton and Brideton. All the

temporalities on which he had been assessed in these parishes were joined to his spiritualities and had been in the possession of his house in 1291 and nothing had been acquired later.

The sheriffs of the three counties concerned were ordered to hold inquiries and to call them for Hilary in 15 days, by view of the townships of these places. The assessors and collectors were to be forewarned so that they could attend if they wished. The prior appeared on that day and the sheriffs returned the writs and a date was fixed for Easter in 15 days for them to come before John Stonford and Hamund Dereworth, or one of them, assigned by royal letters patent to hold inquiries. On that day they ordered two inquisitions, one to be held at Salisbury on the Wednesday in the second week in Lent 1347 [28 Feb.] before Robert Selyman and his colleagues, recently assessors in Wilts., on the oath of John Huberd and John Parfet and others, named in the list of jurors. They said that neither the prior nor his predecessors had any land in Shrewton, Compton Bassett, Lyneham, Lydiard Tregoze, and Wilcot in 1344 which they did not have in 1291 and no moveables except those issuing from those lands.

A second inquisition was held at Blandford Forum, Dorset, on the Friday in the second week in Lent 1347 [2 Mar.]. The abbot of Sherborne, John Wake, Roger de Gulden, John of Bridport, recently assessors, did not attend although notified. On the oath of William Pynior, Thomas Gytz, and others, named on the list of jurors, it was shown that the prior and his predecessors had no more in Burton and Canford, Dorset, than they had in 1291.

A third inquisition was held at Down Ampney, Gloucestershire, on the Sunday next after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross 1347 [16 Sept.] before Hugh de Colwyk, clerk, assigned by royal letters patent to hold the inquiry. The assessors did not attend although notified. On the oath of William de Pulham, John atte Slo, and others, named in the list of jurors, it was found that all the lands and tenements on which the prior had been assessed in 1344×5 had been in the possession of the house in 1291, and that the manor of Hamstead was in Great Sodbury parish and that the prior had no taxable land or goods in Dodington.

It was decided that the prior should be exonerated and quit of £9^a in Wilts., 30s. in Dorset, and 58s. 4d. in Gloucestershire.

a £10 in text, but see above.

574 27 Feb. 1416. Pleas at Salisbury before William Cheyne and John Martin, justices for Wiltshire, Thur. after St. Peter in Cathedra 3 Hen. V.

Somerford Mauduit. Assize summoned to inquire whether John Frye of Somerford Mauduit, franklin, Thomas Felix of the same, clerk, and Ralph Felys of Great Somerford, husbandman, unjustly disseised Prior Robert [Hatte] of a free tenement and 3 acres of meadow in Mauduit.

John came in person but James Doun responded for the others, as if bailiff. They claimed that the prior had never been seised of the meadow and placed themselves on the assize. John, as holder of the 3 acres, said the case should not be heard because John Mauduit, knight, was recently seised of

them as of fee, in his demesne and had granted them to Reynold Frye, brother of John Mauduit. Reynold had a son, Richard, and died seised of the 3 acres. In turn, Richard, William his son, Rose daughter of William, Geoffrey son of Rose, and John son of Geoffrey, died seised. Agnes, daughter of John, entered the land which is now with John Frye. A certain Roger Frye, son of Catherine, sister of John Frye, claims as relative and heir of John. John Frye had intruded and gave the land to the prior. In virtue of this gift the prior had entered.

The prior, ignorant of anything alleged by John Frye, said that he and his predecessors were seised of 3 acres of meadow in their demesne, as of fee, and in the right of his church since time out of memory until John, Thomas, and Ralph had disseised him without a judgment that John, son of Geoffrey, had died seised.

The jury stated on oath that the prior was seised of the 3 acres, as of demesne and free tenement, that John, son of Geoffrey, had not died seised and the prior had been seised until John Frye had disseised him and caused damage of 20s. They also found that Thomas and Reynold had not been present. When asked whether the prior had been seised in the time of Henry, son of John, and whether there had been any collusion between John, Thomas, and Ralph against the Statute of Mortmain, they stated that Hugh had been prior in the time of Henry son of John and he and all his successors had been seised, and there had been no collusion.

It was decided that the prior should recover his seisin, and damages were assessed at 20s. John Frye was in mercy, but the prior was also in mercy for a false charge against Thomas and Ralph. This all took place in the time of Prior Robert Hatte.

575 [N.D.] Meadows near Avon belonging to the priory: meadow called Surendenesmede 7 acres, price per acre 7d.; Wythense and Dokham 7½ acres; Middlecoumbe 1½ acres; Four Acres contains 4 acres; Longacre contains 1 acre; meadow called Fiveacre contains 5 acres. Total 26 acres.

Concerning meadows near Clack. Meadow called Shulfyngstolemede 8 acres, price 6d. per acre; Wetemede 3 acres; Sermede 3 acres. Total 14 acres.

576 [? 1419×1420 , or 1430]² Letter from the king to his collectors in the county of Northampton of the tenth and the fifteenth, and the third of a tenth and a fifteenth, conceded to him by the Commons in the last Parliament, and to their subcollectors in the towns of Towcester, Aldecote,³ and Burton [Latimer]. A complaint has been made on behalf of the prior of Bradenstoke that, although his temporalities in these towns are joined to his spiritualities

3 Possibly Caldecote, 2 miles north of Towcester.

¹ Prior Hugh was not elected until c. 1300, that is, about 30 years after the death of Henry III.

² A subsidy of a tenth and a fifteenth and the third of a tenth and a fifteenth was levied in 1419 × 20 and again on 20 Mar. 1430: *Rotuli Parliamentorum*, IV (1783).

for the payment of the tenth and other subsidies conceded by the clergy to the king and his ancestors, the collectors have disregarded this, and charged the prior and his renters to pay with the laity and not the clergy, and have distrained and harassed them to such an extent that an appeal has been made to the king for remedy. If the collectors can establish that in these towns all the temporalities are joined to the spiritualities, they are to return the distresses, but on the undertaking that the renters pay the subsidy on their own goods along with the laity, as they should.

577² — Aug. 1480. Indenture by Simon de Wootton, prior of Bradenstoke, and the convent to William of Collingbourne, the squire, and John Ashby, leasing to them all the lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, reversions of rents, the services of all tenants, bond and free, with perquisites of court, fines, and heriots in the townships and fields of Burton [Latimer] and Towcester in the county of Northampton, together with a pension of the church of Towcester. The advowson and presentation are reserved to the William, John, and the legitimate heirs of John are to hold in perpetuity, rendering £9 1s. 8d., lawful English money, annually to the canons at Bradenstoke on the feast of St. Andrew. If the rent is not paid the canons may enter, distrain, and retain the distresses until the rent and arrears are paid. If insufficient pledges are to be found on the manor then the canons may enter and distrain on John's manor of Hatherop which is called Hall Place. If the pledges are still insufficient they may enter and distrain on William's manor at Bradfield, Wiltshire. If all these are insufficient, the canons may take back their property and resume the old status.

William and John are to pay the tenths of the king and all other burdens. They are to provide a steward and ride with him each year; food, drink, hay, litter and fodder for the horses being provided at their own expense. Warranty. The canons have appointed Thomas Malehar and John . . . their attorneys, acting singly or together, to put William and John into full and peaceful possession of the property in Burton [Latimer] and Towcester. Witnesses: Ric. Middleton, Wm. . . ., Thos. . . ., esquires, Ric. Salford, Jn. Couper. Bradenstoke the . . .th day of August 20 Edw. IV.

- ^a The last 12 lines of this indenture are written in the bottom margin of the verso of the previous folio and are very faint and rubbed.
- 578 1423. Rental of an unspecified place for the Michaelmas term 2 Hen. VI. It consists of 36 small rents, coming to a total of £4 9s. 6d. The folio is discoloured and many of the names and rents are illegible.
- 579^a [Rental for Tockenham for the 18th year of an unnamed king. The hand suggests Hen. VII (1502-3)]. From William Carter 23s. 7d. From the same for land recently held by Robert Godfride 4s. From the same for a free tenement called Shuretes 12d. From Nicholas Young for a free tenement 12d. From John Wroughton for a free tenement held by Richard 12d. From

Thomas atte Velle, recently Robert the palmer's, 6d. From Thomas Mullmarte for a tenement at Walteham 6d. From the same for tenement Brounes 10d. From William at Style for Slades From the same for the land called Byntonland 3d. From the same for land called Galeslonde 8s. From William Tailor for his tenement 26s. From William at Style for Barnelond 6s. From the same for land recently held by Edward Style From Robert Hooper for land From Robert Watter for land in Stanneborow 18s. From Robert Brown for Gurgenveles 5s. From William Studley, recently Nicholas Young, 16s. From John Bisallute of Whike 5s. From Richard Baron for le Huilheyes 12s. From Edward Taperoll for St. John's acre 6d. Total £6 5s. 8d.

^a The condition of the folio is poor and some readings are uncertain.

580 [c. 1331] This long document, concerned with the bounds of Savernake forest, fills four complete folios in the Stowe MS. It is one of three almost identical versions, the other two being PRO, C47/12/2 and E146/2/34. They are described as a list of the townships, groves, and woods placed outside the forest at the perambulation. H. C. Brentnall in 'Metes and Bounds of Savernake Forest', WAM, XLIX (Dec. 1941), pp. 391–434, prints a version drawn mainly from the Stowe copy, but supplemented from the other two. See also R. Grant, 'Savernake', in VCH Wilts, IV, pp. 417–24, and the map at p. 451.

581 13 May 1184. [A 16th-century copy of 19 with interpolations, omissions, and anarchronistic additions to the list of grants. The interpolation in 19 concerning the part played by Earl William over the emancipation is omitted. It adds:] No one may build a church or an oratory in the canons' parishes without leave of the prior or bishop. Only a bishop in communion with Rome may give chrism and holy oil, or consecrate alters and churches.

[There are six additional grants:] From Earl William the chapel of St. James at Poole [365]; from Alexander of Seagry the church of Seagry and a place called Sechedewell [163, 164]; from Philip Basset the church of Marden with curtilage, croft, and 1 acre in the vill [3, 326 (dated 1259×1267)]; from William of North Aston all his land in that township, together with the church [not in the cartulary, but before 1207]; from Reynold, former bishop of Bath and Wells, with the consent of Alexander, dean of Wells, and the canons there, of the church and prebend of Chilcompton [385 (dated 1189×91)]; the confirmation of possessions in Towcester, obtained by exchange with the abbot of St. Wandrille [503 (dated 1285)]. Veroli, by the hand of Albert, priest-cardinal and chancellor, 3 Id. Mai. 1184 and the 3rd year of the pontificate. [Printed: Holtzmann, I, no. 220, pp. 496-500].

582 12 Mar. 1188. [A copy of 14, with the addition of the churches of Seagry, Marden, Chilcompton, and Canford].

583 Seventeen lines of an undated account. This folio, the last of the original

cartulary, is cracked, ink-stained, and badly discoloured. The writing is faded and mostly illegible.

- 584 [A further six-line entry, in English, on the same folio].
- 585 19th year of the reign of List of the names of the men who carried off the goods of the prior of Bradenstoke from Shorncote to the value of 40 marks: James Hall of Stratton, husbandman; William Haynes of Coate, husbandman; John Balle of ...; Thomas Harding of Cirencester, carpenter; Henry ... of Coate, husbandman; ... of Coate, husbandman; John Fryd of Tarleton, husbandman. All of co. Gloucester.
- 586 18 Jan. 1539. [An 18th-century copy of the surrender document signed by:] Wm. Snowe, prior, Thos. Penne, Jas. Cole, Thos. Mason, Ralph Hill, Thos. Messenger, Ric. Ware, Ric. Thomson, Edw. the brewer, Jn. Playstere, Thos. Hancocks, Geo. Nottingham, Thos. Smyth, Jas. Wykham.
- 587 An 18th-century copy of the pension list. The names are the same except that Thomas Smyth is given as Thomas Baker].

APPENDIX II

588 [1239 \times 1261] Letters patent by Ela, abbess of Lacock, to William de Culum, recording her astonishment that he has unjustly withheld the relief due to the canons for the 2 virgates he holds of them. This relief and the rent are to be paid. William should know that the tenements which the canons hold in Hatherop are quit of all secular service due to her and to the lady Ela, countess of Warwick.

589 [1168 \times 1196] Confirmation by Roger de Montfort of the 12s. given to the canons in alms by Patrick, his brother, from the rent of West Amesbury and payable at Christmas and Midsummer. Roger and his heirs will acquit the rent of services to the king and the earl of Salisbury. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. earl of Salisbury, Hen. of Newmarket, Thos. son of Wm., Wm. Boterel, Ric. Cotel, Wm. the chaplain.

590 [1187 × 1193] Confirmation in alms by Margery, countess of Brittany, sister of the king of Scotland, for the soul of Sir Humphrey de Bohun [III], her husband, of land in Wilsford worth 1 mark, that is 1 virgate 6 acres of her demesne. Witnesses: Ric. priest of Wilsford, Osbert priest of Coulston, Warin de Bassingburn, Rob. de Verum, Reynold of Somerford, Rob. Fruntdeboef, Geof. Bacon, Ralph son of Wm., Wm. son of Rog., Ellis the clerk, Ric. de Ang', Wm. de Ang' his father, Hen. de Bohun.

591 [N.D.] Memorandum concerning the land which the prior of Bradenstoke should tithe in the East Field at Chitterne, namely Hevedacre, Hevedlond, and all the half-acres and 3 half-acres which W. the fowler holds.

592 [1239 or later]¹ Memorandum concerning the great and small tithes pertaining to the chapel of Chitterne. Great and small tithes from the demesne of the abbess in the East Field: from John Orri, tenant of the abbess, the small tithes from 2 virgates; from the relict of John Mody, tenant of the abbess, small tithes from 1 virgate; from the relict of William Sewyn, tenant of the abbess, small tithes from 1 acre; from John le Hore and John le Frumangere, William Conbere, Philip . . ., Aylmer the younger, Christine Cochyng, Walter Farel, John Bosse together, the tithes of the sheep which

¹ Lacock abbey founded 1239; KH, p. 281.

they have in the pasture of the abbess, that is, 15 each, and other small tithes; from William the fowler, small tithes; from the garden . . . [MS. defective to the end of the page].

593 7 Oct. 1273. Mandate from Master Roymund de Nogeris, papal chaplain and nuncio, to the collectors of the tenth in the city and diocese of Worcester. He has been informed by the prior of Bradenstoke that they are exacting the tenth from the church of Dodington-by-Sodbury, from which church the prior receives nothing and never did, nor did anyone in his name. The collectors are to desist as soon as possible. London, at the New Temple, 7 Oct. A.D. 1273.

594 29 June 1295. The dean of Hawkesbury and Buckden sends to Hugh, prior of Bradenstoke, a copy of the mandate he has received from the abbot of St. Peter's, Gloucester.

25 June 1295. The abbot of St. Peter's, Gloucester, appointed collector in the diocese of Worcester for the moiety of ecclesiastical revenues granted as aid to the king by the clergy of England, informs the dean that, from an inspection of the register through which he is charged to collect the moiety, it is very clear that the rector of the church of Dodington has retained the portion which the prior of Bradenstoke is said to have had and also the tenth of that portion, and has not discharged other burdens which he formerly paid and should pay. The half of the said portion, namely 12s. 6d. for the whole year, is to be exacted from the rector and not the prior. The rector should be compelled to pay the abbot the aid by sentence of suspension, excommunication, and interdict. The prior, against whom sentences have been brought for non-payment, is absolved by this letter and this the dean should proclaim publicly on a suitable day in a suitable place, and should report within a week of Midsummer what he has done. Gloucester 7 Kal. Jul. A.D. 1295.

At the request of Richard de Era, clerk, the dean sends this copy of the mandate, sealed with the seal of the deanery. Hawkesbury 3 Kal. Jul. A.D. 1295.

595 24 July 1339.¹ Mandate of William, abbot of Cirencester, to the dean of Hawkesbury and Buckden, stating that Thomas, bishop of Worcester, has appointed him and the convent collectors in the archdeaconry of Gloucester for the three-yearly tenth recently granted to the king in the church of St. Bride, London, by the prelates and clergy of the province of Canterbury. He has seen from the register through which he is charged to collect the tenth, that the rector of Dodington and his predecessors have retained the portion that the prior of Bradenstoke is said to have in the church, and also the tenth of that portion. These he should pay for the past and the future. On the authority of the bishop he commands the dean to

¹ Bishop Thomas d. 21 Dec. 1338. Bishop Wulstan was cons. 21 Mar. 1339.

warn the rector that he is 5s. in arrears to the king for the tenth for the last two years, and that these are to be paid at Cirencester within 8 days. The rector is to be coerced by ecclesiastical censure and proclamation and, if necessary, sequestration of his goods by the dean, acting in the place of the abbot.

Within 20 days of the receipt of the mandate the dean should report how the mandate was executed, what the rector did, and what he thinks of doing, and also of the value of the goods sequestrated and in whose custody they are. Seal. Chapter-house 9 Kal. Aug. A.D. 1339.

596 26 Sept. 1339. Acknowledgment by the dean of Hawkesbury and Buckden that he has received the mandate of William, abbot of Cirencester, and the convent, collectors appointed by Thomas, bishop of Worcester, of the king's triennial tenth in the church of St. Bride, London [595 cited verbatim]. The tenth had been conceded by the prelates and clergy of the province of Canterbury. In accordance with the authority of the mandate he had warned the rector of Dodington as instructed, had sequestrated his ecclesiastical fruits, and was keeping them in strict custody until he should have a further mandate from the abbot. Sodbury 6 Kal. Oct. A.D. 1339.

597 [Early 13th cent.] [As 314, but Roger adds that he makes this charter in addition to the one held by the canons. This new charter is witnessed by the whole hundred].

598 26 July 1344. At the domestic court of Shrewton held Monday after St. Margaret the Virgin 18 Edw. III, in the presence of Thomas de Weyville, steward of John, Earl Warenne, lord of the aforesaid court.

20 Oct. 1340. At the domestic court held Wednesday after St. Luke 14 Edw. III. It often happened that the tenants of the tenements once held by Peter Ingram were distrained for faults of common suit and a jury of 12 sworn freemen presented that Peter owes suit to the court of 3 weeks in 3 weeks for the tenements. Henry de Lacy, once lord of the court, and his ancestors had been in seisin, but the present lord and his feoffor had never been in seisin. The prior of Bradenstoke, tenant of the above tenements, appeared and stated that he was not obliged to respond to the presentment since a lord could not claim more than his feoffor had had. He then showed a charter of William Longespee [II], son and heir of William Longespee, once earl of Salisbury [568], granting to the church of Bradenstoke, and the canons and their tenants, quittance of all suit to his hundred court and of all other services. He also showed the charter of Nicholas Ingram, son of Ives Ingram [320], once holder of the aforesaid tenements, stating that he had been the tenant of the canons and had given them the tenement in alms. It was agreed that the canons did not owe duty and are quit.

599 22 June 1341. The hundred court of Alderbury held at Winterbourne, Friday before St. John the Baptist 15 Edw. III. At the previous court it had

been presented by the tithingman and the whole tithing of Whaddon and Grimstead, that all the tenants of the prior of Bradenstoke at Hurdcott used to pay, and ought to pay, to the common aid called sheriff's geld along with them, but for the past 20 years they had refused to pay, to the grave injury of the tithing, etc. The tenants, distrained to respond, came and proffered a charter of Henry III [562] by which he granted to the canons and their tenants . . . [MS. defective for 3 lines] canons of Bradenstoke and their successors and tenants should henceforth be quit of this aid. It was decided that the canons were exempt from the authority of the hundred and the tithingman and the tithing were in mercy for false presentment.

- 600° [c. 1260 × 1285] Grant by Brother Geoffrey [1], prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons to Roger Styne of 4 acres of land in Draycot [Foliat], namely: 1 acre in Blecheden; ½ acre in la Breche; 1 acre in Langelonde; ½ acre in Shortlonde; 1 perch in Wouuelond, one part extending on to Hugh's down; ½ acre in Langelonde on Hyseweye in the West Field. To be held of the canons, rendering 2s. annually at Michaelmas at Bradenstoke, with power reserved to retake the tenement if the rent is unpaid. Witnesses: Sim. Torney knight, Nic. Stigant, Thos. Cardeville, Ad. Rutgy, Wal. Mauduit, Rob. Spileman, Jn. Jouky.
- ^a This charter does not occur in Stowe and Vit. has only the first three lines. This abstract is taken from the Cat. Anct. Deeds, VI, C4880.
- 601 [1168 \times 1196] Gift in alms by W. Boterel for the soul of William, earl of Salisbury, his lord, of $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land in Hatherop which the earl had given him for his homage and service and which was held by Edward Gule. The rent is to be paid annually in one sum at Mid-Lent, and expended on the second Monday and the first Saturday in a pittance for the brethren in memory of the donor.
- 602 [Late 12th cent.] Gift in alms by Philip of Farley, of all his land in North Cerney which Jordan de la Mare son of William de la Mare, his nephew, gave him for his homage and service [604]. The canons to hold in accordance with the charter made by Jordan to the donor. To render gilt spurs worth 6d., or 6d., annually at Easter to the lord of the fee for all services. Seal.
- 603 [Late 12th cent.] Gift in alms by Philip of Farley of $2\frac{1}{2}$ virgates of land in North Cerney which Jordan de la Mare, his nephew, son of W. de la Mare, gave him and confirmed by charter [604], that is $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land with a messuage which Hugh le Bonde held; $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land with a messuage which W. le Swiss held; $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land with a messuage which Aldith Cucci held; $\frac{1}{3}$ virgate with a messuage which W. le Bartour held; and 32 acres of the demesne of the aforesaid Jordan, consisting of 16 acres in the South Field and 16 acres in the North Field, and 1 acre of meadow in the meadowland

- of Barford. To be held of Jordan and his heirs, rendering 2 gilt spurs at Easter worth 6d., or 6d. Seal.
- 604 [Late 12th cent.] Gift by Jordan de la Mare, son of W. de la Mare, to Philip of Farley his uncle, of $2\frac{1}{2}$ virgates of land in North Cerney for his homage and service. [Land and terms as 603].
- 605 [Late 12th cent.] Confirmation by Jordan de la Mare to the canons of $2\frac{1}{2}$ virgates of land in North Cerney, which is of his fee, and which were given to the canons by Philip of Farley his uncle [Land and terms as 603], and were confirmed by Thomas de la Mare, chief lord of the fee, by charter [606]. To render to Jordan and his heirs spurs or 6d. at Easter for all services. Warranty. Seal.
- 606 [Late 12th cent.] Confirmation by Thomas de la Mare of the gift of 2½ virgates of land in North Cerney, which are of his fee, and which Jordan de la Mare, his kinsman, gave to Philip of Farley, his uncle, for homage and service [604], and which Philip gave to the canons and confirmed by charter [603]. This land [as described in 603] is to be held of Jordan, rendering spurs worth 6d., or 6d., at Easter for all services. Warranty by Thomas and his heirs as lords of the fee. Seal.
- 607 [$c.1200 \times 1211^1$] Grant in alms by Peter Burdon, for the health of the soul of Clemence his wife, of all his right in the chapel of Oldbury [on the Hill]. He wishes the canons, with the licence of the bishop of Worcester, to appropriate the chapel when they are able. Giles Hussey, parson of the chapel, is to retain it for life, but after his death the canons may do as they will with it for their own use without objection from the donor or his heirs. Warranty. Seal.
- **608** [1168 × 1196] [As 589, but without witnesses. The rent is now payable at 4 terms: Christmas, Hock Day, Midsummer, and Michaelmas].
- 609 [c. 1200 \times 1227] Gift in alms by Humphrey Crook of 3 acres of his land in Draycot [Foliat], of which 1 acre is in Blachesdena, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Brech at the head of that acre, 1 acre in Langelonde, and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Shortelonde. To be held quit of all services. Seal.
- 610 [c. 1200×1207] Gift in alms by Humphrey Crook of 4 acres of land in Draycot [Foliat]. [As 609 with the addition of:] 1 perch in Wodelaunde, 1 perch which stretches as far as Hugh's hill, and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Langelonde above Hiseweye in the West Field.

¹ Clemence, widow of Peter, occ. 1211 × 12: PR, 13 John, p. 168.

- 611 [1177 × 1189]¹ Gift in alms by Richard Ruffus, chamberlain of King Henry, for the souls of Henry, king of England, Eleanor his queen, and their sons, of all his tenements situated between the land once held by William, son of Isabel, and that held by Walter^a Culippe in the parish of St. Nicholas in the city of London. The canons to hold as freely as Richard has done, rendering 3d. annually to the king at Mid-Lent for all royal services on the larger houses, and 3s. a year from the smaller houses is to be paid to the heirs of Richard of Abingdon at Michaelmas and Easter. Seal.
- ^a Rot. Cht., p. 169, has Warin.
- 612 [-1207] Gift in alms by Thomas de Fercles for the soul of Hugh de Fercles his lord, of 1 virgate of land in Winterborne [Houghton], which Hugh de Fercles had given him for his homage and service and which had been held by Walter the palmer. To be held quit of all services and rendering 2s. annually for all service due to the lord of the fee, payable at Michaelmas and Hock Day. Seal.
- 613 $[1166 \times 1180]^2$ Confirmation by Hugh de Fercles to Thomas de Fercles his tenant, for his homage and service, of the virgate in Winterborne [Houghton] which was Walter the palmer's. To be held freely, rendering 2s. annually, payable at Michaelmas and Hock Day. He also conceded that Thomas and his heirs might have in pasture, together with his oxen, 8 oxen, 4 cows with his cows, 1 mare with his horses, 1 bull, 100 sheep and 5 wethers with his sheep. Seal.
- 614 [Late 12th cent.] Grant in alms by Richard Murdac to ... of 5s. rent from ½ virgate in Alkerton which Adam, son of Edric, holds of Robert, Richard's chaplain. To be held of Richard and his heirs. He also concedes that ... may give the rent to the canons whenever he wishes. It is to be paid at the Annunciation and Michaelmas, by the hand of Adam, who now holds the virgate, or by those who held the land before Adam, to Robert the chaplain, as long as he wishes, or to the house of Bradenstoke before Robert enters religion. Seal.
- 615 [Late 12th cent.] Gift by Richard Murdac to Robert, his chaplain, for his service, of a messuage and croft in Alkerton which Edric, father of Robert, held. To be held of Richard and his heirs for life, and after the death of Robert to be held by anyone Robert pleases, quit of all service. To render 1 lb. of cummin annually at the feast of St. Giles for all services. Consideration: \(\frac{1}{2}\) mark of silver. Seal.

³ See 447n.

Richard Ruffus was chamberlain to Henry II 1177-8 (Eyton, p. 218) or 1175-86 (Eyton, Index).

² Hugh de Fercles was a tenant of Earl Patrick in 1166: *Red Book of the Exchequer*, ed. H. Hal! (RS), II (1897), p. 239.

- 616 [Late 12th cent.] Grant in alms by Richard Murdac of 2s. sterling which Adam, son of Edric the clerk, and his heirs will render annually to the canons at Michaelmas, out of the 5s. they owe Richard for the land they hold of him and his heirs in fee and perpetual farm in Alkerton.
- 617 [1198 \times 1207] Gift in alms by Berengar, steward of William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, of $\frac{1}{2}$ hide of land in Winterborne [Houghton], Dorset, consisting of 4 half-virgates held by Ralph Sort, Walter de Fonte, Baldwin Hey, and Edric Newman respectively, also of 20 free oxen in pasture with his oxen, 10 cows, 20 pigs, 300 sheep, 2 bulls and 20 resting plough-beasts and 40 goats. To be held with all liberties and free of all service.
 - a 'avros' in: Rot. Cht., p. 170; no. 649 below.
- 618 [c. 1197 \times 1207] Grant by Berengar in his township of Winterborne [Houghton] of pasture, which belonged to H. de Fercles, for 100 sheep to be kept in the canons' own fold, to run everywhere with his sheep and to have free passage for going and returning in all places. He also confirms to the canons the gift of 1 virgate of land which T. de Fercles made in alms to their house, free of all service [612].
- 619 [c. 1200]¹ Gift in alms by Richard^a of Rowden, with the consent of W. his heir, to support the charity of the convent, of 1 acre of land in Dodelesmere, and 1 part of his pasture in the marsh which lies between the gateway of Stanley and Chippenham. To be held of him and his heirs free of all services. In addition he grants 6s. sterling and 10 sticks of eels to be received annually from him and his heirs between Michaelmas and All Saints. Warranty. Seal.
 - ^a The rubric has Robert.
- 620 [1154 \times 1189] Grant in alms by W. le Blund, usher of Henry, king of England, for the soul of the king his lord, of 5s. to be received annually from him and his heirs, out of a rent of 37s. in Stanley, which he had bought for 40 marks from Robert, son of Ansell, that is, the rent which Niel of Stanley, his paternal uncle, and his predecessors had paid annually to Robert and his heirs.
- 621 [1196 \times 1207] Gift by Adam Malherbe of his mill of Ekikeford, free of all exactions, for an annual render of 2 spurs worth 6d., or 6d., to the earl of Salisbury, payable at Easter. It is also free of royal service. Seal.

¹ In 1226 Prior Simon brought a case against William, son of Richard Rowden, for non-payment of rent and eels: *Rot. Lit. Claus.*, II, p. 147. In 1307 an eel-fishery in the Bristol Avon was worth 2s. annually to the manor of Rowden near Chippenham: *Wilts. Inq. p.m.*, I, p. 330.

- **622** [c. $1243 \times 1260^{\circ}$ or c. 1282×1287] Grant by Brother William [III], styled prior of Bradenstoke, to Sir Thomas, prior of Hinton [Charterhouse], of the Carthusian order, of all their right in the mill, meadows and lands at Ekikeford in the Carthusians' manor of Hinton. To be held of the canons in alms. Warranty. Seal.
- 623 $[1168 \times 1196]^2$ Grant in alms by William Kenebaud, for the soul of William, earl of Salisbury, son of Earl Patrick, his lord, of a rent of 20s. in Canford from land which John Bonet holds of him by inheritance and which was formerly held by Robert Quatremains. To be received annually by the hand of John Bonet and his heirs at the 4 usual terms. They are to be responsible to the canons for the rent, reliefs and homages, but not for the service of a pair of gilt spurs at Easter to the earl of Salisbury, which is to be rendered by the canons.
- 624 [c. 1200] Gift in alms by Hugh of Upham of 2 acres of land in the fields of Upham: in the South Field 1 acre which lies below the little grove, of which one end turns to the east and the other to the west; in the North Field 1 acre of which the head turns on the land of Badbury and is curved back. To be held free of all service.
- 625 [Mid 13th cent.]³ Grant in alms by Richard, son of W. of Hinton, of 4s. annually from his treasury, payable at the Nativity of St. Mary, until he or his heirs shall have assigned to the canons a rent of the same or greater value in a definite place. Seal.
- 626 [-1207] Grant in alms by Sewall de Oseville of 1 summa of corn at Michaelmas. Margaret, his wife, and his heirs are to pay this rent annually in perpetuity from his land of Wanborough.
- 627 [-1207] Gift by William de la Warde, with the assent of Agnes his wife, of 4 houses in Circnester near Gooseditch opposite the house of Robert le Veryur. To be held free of all services. Seal.
- 628 [-1207] Gift in alms by W. the carter, with the consent of W. le Norris his lord, and of Christine his wife, of all his land of Chippenham, to be held freely as is shown in the charter of his lord [629], which he has given to the canons.

Hinton Charterhouse was f. 1227 × 32 by Earl William Longespee and the Countess Ela: KH, p. 24. No Prior Thomas is known earlier than 1343, but the last known Prior William of Bradenstoke occ. 1287: Ctl. Glastonbury, III, p. 667. The phrase 'styled prior' suggests William (III) known 1246 to 1260 (540, 545).
 See 640.

³ Richard of Hinton occ. 1249: Civil Pleas, p. 334.

- 629 [-1207] Gift by W. le Norris, with the consent of Joan his wife, to W. the carter and his heirs for their service, of all the land in Chippenham of which W. the carter has seisin, to be held of W. le Norris as a free burgage, rendering 12d. annually to him and his heirs. Consideration: 2 marks of silver. For this confirmation W. gave W. le Norris 1 bezant and 12d. to Joan his wife.
- 630 [N.D.] Gift in alms by Eustace of Wootton of certain land of his in Marlborough which he had bought of Nicholas of Stanton, with all its liberties and customary services. To render 2d. annually to the king at Michaelmas for all services.
- **631** [c. 1250×1270] Confirmation by John de Gardino. [A copy of 233 but with less detail and without witnesses].
- 632 [N.D.] Agreement made between the prior of Bradenstoke and Edwin, son of Picot, by which the canons agree to lease ½ hide of land in Lake to Edwin for life, rendering 16s. annually, payable at Christmas, the Annunciation, Midsummer, and Michaelmas. Edwin swore on the 4 gospels to observe the agreement.
- 633 $[1147 \times 1168]^1$ Gift by Richard Cotel of 1 virgate of land in Lake to be held for ever, quit of all services except the King's Danegeld. Seal.
- 634 [c. 1208 \times 1243] Lease by Simon, prior of Bradenstoke, and the canons, to Adam of Easton and his heirs, for their homage and service, of 1 virgate of land in Easton which Blakeman held, and 1 cotland which Sewy Glouesers held. Adam and his heirs to hold by inheritance, rendering $\frac{1}{2}$ mark of silver at Michaelmas to the canons for all services. They may have 14 animals on the land, quit of herbagium, and 35 pigs quit of pannage. Seal.
- 635 [1272 or later] Memorandum that Nicholas Phelip, tenant of the prior of Bradenstoke in Sodbury, came to Bradenstoke on the Thursday before Midsummer and admitted that he held a tenement from the prior in Gr. at Sodbury and owed 2s. annually, payable at the Annunciation and Michaelmas. He paid fealty in the . . . year of Edward . . . [MS. defective for the last line].
- 636 [-1184] Charter of Niel of Moredon. [First lines illegible but the rest as 220, except that there is a full witness list:] Rob. of Ewyas, Wm. son of Wal., Ric. de Evermund, Wm. the cook, Nic. de Hispania, Ralph Torel, Ascelin, Osmund the janitor, Wal. and A. squires, Ralph the brewer.

¹ Confirmed by Earl Patrick (566).

- 637 29 [Mar. or Apr.] 1344. [MS. illegible or defective in parts]. 29th day of . . . 1344, the 12th year of the Indiction, the 2nd year of the pontificate of Pope Clement VI, in the presence of the notary public and the underwritten witnesses, William, styled le Man, of Figheldean, clerk of the diocese of Salisbury, swore a corporal oath that he . . . not molest or harm the prior and convent of Bradenstoke . . . nor seek a benefice of their presentation . . .
- 638 [1168×1196] Confirmation by William, earl of Salisbury, of the gift made by Boemund to John, son of Stephen, his servant, of 1 virgate of land in Winterbourne super montes, which was formerly held by Ailric Bolle and Walter Fuccet. The gift was made in the presence of Earl William and with his consent. To be held of him and his heirs, rendering 1 lb. of cummin annually at Michaelmas for all services. Witnesses: Thos. son of Wm., Wm. son of Geof., Patrick de Montfort, Wm. Boterel, Ric. Cotel, Wm. de Melewis, Wm. the chaplain, Master Rog., Ad. clerk of Winterbourne.
- 639 [1168 × 1179]² Grant by William, earl of Salisbury, for the souls of Earl P[atrick], his father, and P[atrick], his brother, of 100s. in Winterbourne super montes, payable annually at the 4 usual terms. This sum he and his father had given towards the founding of the new church, until there should be assigned to the canons, either in rents or otherwise, 100s. in perpetuity. Witnesses: Rog. son of Geof., Wm. of St. Martin, Godf. of St. Martin, P. Blund, Wm. son of Geof. of Porton, Wm. the chaplain, Ric. of Candover, Wal. brother of Earl William, Master Herb., Rog. of Durnford, Wal. the priest, Boemund the chamberlain, Wibert, Nic. de Hispania, Wm. Gansell.
- 640 [1168 × 1196] Grant by William, earl of Salisbury, to William Kenebaud, for his homage and service, of all the land which Robert Quatremains held in Canford. To be held in fee and inheritance, rendering gilt spurs, or 6d., at Easter for all services. Seal. Witnesses: Phil. of Salisbury, Wm. of Newmarket, T. son of Wm., Wm. Boterel, Rog. of Palton, Rog. de Montfort, Wm. de Melewis, Wm. the chaplain, Geof. le Veel, Ric. Parker, Ralph Parker.
- **641** [1168 \times 1196] Grant by William, earl of Salisbury, to Adam Malherbe his huntsman, for his homage and service, of the mill of Ekikeford, to be held of Earl William and his heirs, rendering a pair of gilt spurs annually for all services. Seal. Witnesses: G[odf.] of St. Martin, Wm. of Newmarket, H. de Montfort, Rog. de Montfort, Wm. the chaplain, Wm. Boterel, Geof. le Veel.
- 642 [1168 \times 1196] Grant by William, earl of Salisbury, to Philip of Farley his tenant, of land worth 20s. in Hatherop, for his homage and service. To

¹ The year 1344 (Old Style) began 25 Mar., the third year of Pope Clement VI began 19 May 1344.

² Richard of Candover still living.

be held of the earl and his heirs rendering gilt spurs, or 6d., at Easter. Seal. Witnesses: Count Rob. de Sancto Romano, Walkelin de Ferrars, Gilb. de Aquila, Godf. of St. Martin, Wm. of Newmarket, Wm. Boterel, Rob. of Aston, Jn. de Abbetot, Wm. the chaplain, Geof. le Veel, Ralph de Parco, Rog. Ruffus, Wm. of Farley.

- 643 [1198 \times 1205] Grant in alms by William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, son of King Henry, of the church of Rogerville in Normandy. Witnesses: Hen. de Berners, Rob. de Vaus, Ric. of Marlborough, Hugh de Berners, Wm. Talbot, Ad. de Vaus, Wm. Cotel, Master Berengar, Geof. le Veel, Wm. of Canford, Wm., Tibbald, Warin of Winterbourne, Jn. Bonet. [Calendared: CDF, pp. 61-2].
- 644° [1198 × 1205] Letters patent of William Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, to W[alter], archbishop of Rouen, stating that since it is his right, as the archbishop knows, to present a parson to the church of Rogerville, he presents, by his letters and their bearer, the canons of Bradenstoke to the said church. As he is prevented by the business of the king, his brother, from coming in person, he begs the archbishop to receive the canons as parson. All his friends know that the canons joyously and devotedly share with all poor people such endowments as they can acquire, and will faithfully serve the archbishop.
 - ^a The text is defective at this point and this calendar is based on CDF, p. 62.
- 645 [1198 × 1199] Confirmation by William Longespee [I], earl of Salisbury, brother of King Richard, of the grant made by William, earl of Salisbury, his predecessor, of Godwin, son of Frewin Tod,^a and all his family and chattels. To be held free of all services. Witnesses: Rog. of Wells, Wm. Talbot, Hugh le Bigod, Wm. le Bigod, Rog. Burel, Master Berengar, Master Wm., Geof. le Veel, Ralph de Parco, Rog. the clerk, Jn. of Cleveland.
 - a Supplied from the otherwise identical charter on Vit. f. 101v.
- 646 [1198 \times 1226] Gift in alms by William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, for the soul of the Countess Ida, his mother, of $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate in Chitterne, which Tresmund Culling held and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate which R. Algar held in the same township. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. de Rivers, P. Burdon, W. Talbot, S. of Cheverell, T. of Canford, Master W. the clerk, R. of Wheathampstead.
- 647 [1198 \times 1226] Notification that William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, has granted permission to W. de Farley, his man, to farm out, or pledge, the land he holds of the earl in Chitterne in Wiltshire to anyone he pleases, reserving to the earl his rent and service.
- 648 [1197 × 1209] [A shortened version of 477. Walter of Everleigh is

erroneously given as Walter de Cumbeleya. It is added that Richard of Herriard drew up the charter and there is an extra witness, J. of Highworth].

649 [1197 × 1226] Confirmation by William Longespee, earl of Salisbury. of gifts of land or alms made to the canons in his fee, according to the charters made by the donors; from Berengar 1 hide of land in Winterborne [Houghton], Dorset, consisting of 4 half-virgates held by Ralph Sort, Walter de Fonte and Baldwin Hay and, in Bemay, by Edric son of [Newman].^a Also of the right to have 10 oxen in pasture with his oxen, 10 cows, 10 pigs, 300 sheep, 2 plough-beasts, 20 resting animals and 40 goats [617]. Also of the gift of pasture for 100 sheep with his sheep everywhere in Winterborne, kept in the canons' own fold [618]; from Adam Malherbe the mill of Ekikeford in the manor of Hinton [Charterhouse] [621]^d with a ½ virgate of land; from William Kenebaud . . .; from Thomas de Fercles 1 virgate of land in Winterborne [Houghton], Dorset [612], Witnesses: Wal. de River, P. Burdon, Wm. Talbot, S. of Cheverell, Hugh son of Aucher, Geof. le Veel, Master W., T. of Canford, Rog. of Wheathampstead, Hamon the clerk.

650 [8 Mar. 1198 \times 6 Apr. 1199]¹ Charter of William Longespee, earl of Salisbury, brother of King Richard, stating that he has pledged his manor of Canford to the canons for 6 score marks of silver, which he owes them on account of the debt of William, earl of Salisbury, his predecessor, to Isaac and Simon, his brother, Jews of Oxford, or their heirs, for which the canons have been pledges. The canons are to receive annually from the manor of Canford 20 marks of silver, payable at Midsummer next after the consecration of Master Eustace, bishop of Ely, and at the 3 other usual terms every year until the debt has been cleared. The manor had originally been pledged to the canons by Earl William. The steward, or bailiff, of Canford is instructed to pay the 20 marks yearly without delay. Witnesses: Rog. of Wells, Wm. Talbot, Wm. Boterel, Rog. Burel, Miles of Dauntsey, Hubert Malcovenaunt, P. Burdon, Master Wm. the clerk, G[eof.] le Veel, Ralph de Parco, Rob. Burel.

651 $[1153 \times 1183]^2$ Notification by William, earl of Gloucester, to his sheriff of Glamorgan, the reeves of Cardiff and his men of France, England,

^a See 617.

^b 617 reads 20 pigs.

c tauros (617); avros (Rot. Cht., p. 170).

d 621 does not include any land.

MS. defective. In 362 he gave all his land in Canford; in 623 he gave 20s. rent in Canford.

Bishop Eustace cons. 8 Mar. 1198. Richard I d. 6 Apr. 1199.
 Richard, abbot of Neath, d. 1145 (Ann. Margam (Ann. Mon., I), p. 14), that is, 8 years before William was styled earl of Gloucester. An Abbot Ralph occ. 1150 and 1169×75: KBL, p. 138. Possibly the original had 'R.' and it was wrongly extended by the scribe of the cartulary.

and Wales, that he has granted to Steinero and his heirs that they may hold their burgage in Cardiff for 12d. a year instead of 2s. as formerly. Witnesses: Ric. abbot of Neath, Wm. de Bosco sheriff, Rob. son of Ric., G. Crock, Hammund de Valoignes, Rog. son of Sim., Wm. son of Osmund the reeve of Cardiff, Ric. son of Godmund and Wal. his son, Ralph son of Edwak, Rob. of Dunster. [Printed: Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 157; Glam. Charters, I, 106].

- 652 [1168 × 1196] Grant in alms by William of Newmarket of quittance for the canons' waggons in his township of Hinton by Bristol, and of free passage without transport dues or tolls. Witnesses: Wm., earl of Salisbury, Hamelin Blund, Master Berengar, Wal. of Tormarton, Rog. of Sutton.
- 653 $[1165 \times 1194]^1$ Grant in alms by John [II], the king's marshal, for the souls of his father, brother, and relatives at rest at Bradenstoke, of the church of Cheddar, excepting the tenement of W. the parson, the donor's nephew. The church is to be held freely and in perpetuity after the death of the parson. Witnesses: Wm. the chaplain, Wal. of Wilcot, Everard of Easton, Rog. of Middleton, priests, Wm. nephew of the donor, T. clerk of Collingbourne, Osbert de Horloteria, Wal. de Lillebon, Everard of Hungerford.
- **654** [1165 \times 1191] [As 653 but with the addition of a sealing clause. The clause postponing the gift until after the death of the incumbent is omitted as is his name from the witness list and any mention of his tenement. Possibly later than 653 and after the death of the incumbent].
- 655 [1144 \times 1191] Notification by Rotrou [III], count of Perche, that he has given in alms for the soul of Maud his wife, and for the souls of his ancestors at rest at Bradenstoke² and elsewhere, $\frac{1}{2}$ mark of silver from the mill of Berwick, payable at Michaelmas and Easter. Seal. Witnesses: Wal. Walerand, and Ellis, servant of the earl, Ric. of Stitchcombe, Wm. Hussey, Hen. de Bervint, Everard the chaplain, Master Geof., clerk of the earl, Ad. the clerk.
- 656 [1183 × 1197] Grant made by H[awise], countess of Gloucester, to W. de Arundel her servant, for his service, of a burgage situated beside the bridge in her borough of Fairford, on which W. had built at his own expense. W. and his heirs to hold freely from her by inheritance and the service of rendering annually at Midsummer a small bundle of rushes for spreading in her council chamber at Fairford. Seal. Witnesses: W[m.], abbot of Keynsham, W[m.], abbot of Durford, Rog. Waspail, Ric. de Petreponte, knights, W. de Norham' steward, T. the chaplain, Rob. the chaplain of the same township,

² Hawise, mother of Rotrou (III), was the sister of Earl Patrick.

¹ John the Marshal (I) d. 1165: CP, X, pp. 93-5. Prior Matthew released all rights in the church of Cheddar to the dean of Wells: HMC Wells, I, pp. 28, 385. The canons were given the church of Chilcompton in exchange (384, 385).

Gilb. de la Dene, Ric. the chaplain, Andrew the clerk, W. Linford, Edwin reeve of the township, Gundwin [of Fairford], Rog. Alleti, Jn. de Leke, Ric. de Leke, W. Russell. [Printed: Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 31].

- 657 [1189 × 1199] Confirmation by I[sabel],^a countess of Gloucester and Mortain, of the charter of the Countess Hawise, her mother, to W. de Arundel [656]. Seal. Witnesses: Otes de Titsey, Rog. Waspail, W. de Mara, knights, Bartholomew the chaplain, T. the chaplain, Rob. chaplain of Fairford, Alan chamberlain of the countess, Ric. and Gocol, cooks, Sim. the marshal, W. Russell, W. Linford, Gundewin of Fairford, Andrew the clerk, Rob. the clerk. [Printed: Earldom of Gloucester Chts., p. 32].
- a Prof. Patterson considers that this charter, which is only partly legible, was made by Earl John, not by Isabel, his wife. There was evidently uncertainty on this point when the cartulary was compiled. The rubric reads Confirmacio Johis Com. Glouc... but tisse was added above Com. The text has only the initial I or J. Of the 15 witnesses 7 also witnessed the charter of Hawise (656), but are not found in any charter of John in this collection. It is suggested that the crucial and partly defective words in line 2 read... quam domina mater mea... and not... quam mater uxoris mee.... This view is supported by the fact that in the seventh line the words... carta domine matris mee... are perfectly clear. The rubric and the first 3 lines are at the bottom of a verso and damaged. The rest of the charter is on the following recto and in perfect condition.
- 658 $[1170 \times 1199]^1$ Gift and confirmation by Patrick de Chaworth [III], to H. de Chaworth, his uncle, of 1 hide of land in Milton which is appendent to Kenemelford, to give in alms with his body for burial wherever he may wish, as is shown in the charter which H. made to Bradenstoke [464]. Witnesses: Geof. de Wulest, Sim. de Weresvil, Reynold de la Barre, Wm. de Chacum, Wm. Burbobot.
- 659 [Mid-late 12th cent.]² Grant by Geoffrey St. Leger [I], of all his right in the church of Offley, and any right the lord of the fee can have in the church. The grant was made on the petition and with the agreement of Adam, parson of the church, and G., the vicar. Seal pendent. Witnesses: Rog. Burel, Miles de Camis, Wal. Camel, Ric. Burel, Wal. dean of Littleton, Geof. de Foger'.
- 660 $[1207 \times 1215]^3$ Confirmation by W. de Cornhill, archdeacon of Huntingdon, of the grant of the advowson of the church of Offley, which is in his archdeaconry . . . [MS. defective for 2 lines]. The rights of the church of

¹ Patrick de Chaworth (III) d. c. 1199: Sanders, p. 125.

² See 522.

³ William of Cornhill was made archdeacon of Huntingdon 30 June 1207 by King John (Rot. Lit. Pat., p. 73) and cons. bishop of Coventry 25 Jan. 1214/15: (Chronology, p. 233).

Lincoln are reserved. Witnesses: Rob. de Bosco, Wm. de Buneneia, Alex. of Swereford, Rob. de Nicol, Jn. of Bradfield, Nic. clerk of Salisbury, Wm. of Waltham, Phil. of Farley.

- 661 $[1151 \times 1170]^1$ Notification by R., archdeacon of Oxford, to all the clergy of the archdeaconry, that William of Aston and Osbert, his son, have given the church of North Aston to the canons and that he in person, on their presentation, caused Adam, prior of Bradenstoke, to receive the church for the perpetual use of the brethren, according to the order of St. Augustine.
- 662 [1151 \times 1173] Grant in alms by Osbert of Aston, son of William of Aston, of the church of North Aston and of the tenement of Ralph of Bucknell, which William, his father, had previously given in his presence, that is 50 acres of his inland with 3 dwelling-houses, and also a virgate of land which Reynold^a of St. Paul had sold to the canons for 4 marks of silver, together with 2 dwelling-houses. Witnesses: Rob. archdeacon of Oxford, Rog. cantor of Lincoln, Rog.^b of St. Paul, Ralph of Bucknell, Rog. son of Herbert.
 - ^a See 497n.
 - b Probably error for Reynold.
- 663 [1168 \times 1196] Confirmation in alms by Robert of Aston, son of Osbert of Aston, for the soul of Alice his wife . . . [MS. defective] which Osbert, his father, gave, that is, 50 acres of inland which William, grandfather of Robert, had given with 3 dwelling-houses held by Ralph of Bucknell, Hugh son of Pain, and Gilbert son of Ralph, to be held free of service. Also of his grandfather's gift of $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land with a messuage which William Jericob held. He also ratifies the sale of 1 virgate to the canons by Reynold of St. Paul and the gift of 2 acres made by Reynold before his death. He also confirms the gift of Osbert, his father, of the church of North Aston, and the gift by Roger, son of Herbert, of 1 acre to the church of North Aston at his death, of this, $\frac{1}{2}$ acre lay in one field and $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in the other in the sworn pastures. The canons to hold freely the church, the lands, and the men. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. earl of Salisbury, T. son of Wm., W. son of Geof., W. Boterel, Martin of St. Paul, W. Ruffus, Rog. de Witona, Geof. Perlo, Hervald, W. Pungant, W. dean of Witton and Hen. his son.
- 664^{a} [1198 \times 1226] Grant in alms by Robert, son of Osbert of Aston, for the soul of Alice his wife, of the church of North Aston, with 2 virgates of his outland in one field and the same in the other, and 6 acres below the town-
- ^a ff. 107–108v. are badly water-stained and in part illegible. The words in brackets have been supplied from the other charters dealing with the same property (497, 661, 663, and Vit. ff. 181v.–183).

¹ Robert Foliot, archdeacon of Oxford 1151-73. Prior Adam became abbot of Cirencester 1177: Ann. Winchcombe, B.L. Cotton MS. Faust. B.i, f. 20.

ship with a messuage once held by Gerard. Also \(\frac{1}{2}\) virgate of his inland in one field and the same in the other, together with the messuage which W. Jericob held. All these things William of Aston, his grandfather, had given to the canons with the assent of Osbert, father of Robert [and the confirmation of R. of good memory, bishop of Lincoln, and Robert, archdeacon of Oxford. [He also gives to the church of Bradenstoke all the tenement] which Ralph of Bucknell held [in North Aston, which his grandfather gave to the church] of Bradenstoke and confirmed by charter, that is 52 acres of his inland in one field and the same in the other, together with 3 houses held by Ralph Bucknell, Hugh son of Pain, and Gilbert son of Ralph. He ratifies the sale made by Reynold of St. Paul, with the consent of Martin, his son and heir, of 1 virgate of land and the later gift of 2 acres made by Reynold, also the gift of 1 acre made by Roger, son of Herbert, of \frac{1}{2} acre in one field and the same in the other, and the gift of 1 acre, half in one field half in the other, made by Robert de Bamville with the consent of Loretta his wife. The canons are to hold this church with all its liberties in perpetuity. They may also have their demesne oxen with his, that is 6 oxen, 2 horses, and 2 cows. The rest of their plough-beasts to be with his demesne plough-beasts and their sheep with his. kept in their own fold, that is 200 sheep of any kind they wish. Their other sheep are to be in the common pasture. [From the provisions concerning the halimote to the end the text follows 497]. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Wm. de Longespee, earl of Salisbury, Warin son of Gerold, Rob. de la Mare, Wm. Talbot, Lambert Tyeys, Geof. le Veel, Jn. son of . . ., Martin of Aston, Geldanus Ruffus, Otes de Perleghe, Arnold the squire, Osmund de Berners, Rob. de Berners. Rob. of Lavington, and the whole county of Oxford.

665 Aug. 1235. Settlement of a dispute between [Walter], the abbot, and the convent, of Hyde and [Simon], prior of Bradenstoke, concerning the possession of a certain drove-road beyond the land of Manningford Abbots. The abbot, with the unanimous consent of the chapter, conceded that the prior should have this drove-road, 66 ft. wide everywhere from the prior's ditch and extending in length along the ditch from the house of Hugh of the Ford as far as the prior's pasture in Wylehamethorne. The canons and their men of the manor of Wilcot are to hold the road in perpetuity for the purpose of leading their beasts to and from the pasture, without hindrance from the abbot, his bailiffs, or his men. If the prior's beasts, or his men, cause damage to the corn or the pasture of the abbot, it is to be made good according to the law and custom of the land. In return, the prior and canons are to render to the abbot or his assigns 3lb. of wax annually at the Exaltation of the Holy Cross . . . [MS. defective]. If at any time the payment of the wax . . . [MS. defective] by the demesne beasts of their men . . . in the manor of Wilcot . . . [MS. defective] and should be able to distrain until paid in full. Seals of the abbot and prior to the chirograph. Aug. A.G. 1235. Witnesses: Jn. of St. Peter dean of Oxford, Master G. de Ferres, Master Wal. of Durnford.

666 [1226 × 1242] Quitclaim by William Longespee [II] of all suit to his

court of Winterbourne [Earls], which the canons' men of Hurdcott have been accustomed to render, and he also quitclaims all legal action, suit or view of frankpledge, but he reserves for himself and his heirs the right to try a thief captured on the canons' fee in his own court. The prior is to have the chattels of the thief and everything that pertains to William or his heirs. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Ric. Longespee, knight, brother of Wm., Hen. de la Mare, Rob. de Plugenet.

667 $[c.\ 1200 \times 1220]^1$ Lease by Agnes de la Warde to Gilbert the mercer of a messuage in her land of Cirencester very near . . . $[MS.\ defective]$. To hold of her and her heirs rendering . . . 2 marks at Michaelmas, . . . at the feast of St. Andrew, . . . at the Annunciation, . . . at Midsummer for all services. Consideration: 12s. sterling entry fine. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Phil. son of Reynold, Michael.

668 [c. 1200×1220] Lease by Agnes de la Warde to Arnold of Preston of a certain messuage on her land of Cirencester with the curtilage pertaining to it, which is situated between the messuage held by Ellis Wudegrobilio and that of Ralph the weaver. To hold of her and her heirs rendering 2s. annually, payable at St. Andrew's day, Annunciation, Midsummer, and Michaelmas for all except royal service. Consideration: 5s. sterling entry fine. Seal. Witnesses: Eustace the chaplain, Martin of Latton, Wal. Lobel.

669 [1220 × 1250]² Gift in alms by Richard Archibald, son and heir of Robert Archibald, for the soul of Basilia, his wife, of the whole of their tenement in Circnester by the Gooseditch which William de la Warde and Agnes, his wife, once held. The canons to hold of Richard and his heirs . . . [MS. defective for 2 lines]. Warranty. Consideration: 6 marks and 10s. sterling. Seal. Witnesses: Master Rob. de Lamunt rector of Kemble, Sir Gilb. vicar of Somerford, Wal. le Bel.

670 [1327 \times 1349] Lease by Richard, prior of Bradenstoke, to Gilbert of Bisley and Agnes his wife, of a messuage in Cirencester situated between the house of Abharp Hayle and that once held by William . . . [MS. defective]. Gilbert and Agnes to perform the services due to the chief lords of the fee and to render 6s. annually, payable at the feast of St. Andrew, the Annunciation, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and Michaelmas. After their deaths the messuage is to pass to Catherine, their daughter, and Robert, brother of Gilbert, for their lives on the same terms. If the rent is not paid at the stated terms and the arrears are not fully paid at the next term, the canons may retake and retain the tenement. The tenants are to maintain the tenement at their own expense, rebuild it if it falls to ruin, or is destroyed by fire, and

¹ See 449n.

² Robert Archibald d. c. 1220, but his son Richard was living in 1250: Ctl. Cirencester, I, 288n.

acquit it against everyone as long as they live. Chirograph sealed by both parties. Witnesses: Wm. Archibald, G. Ailwin, Ric. Laurence.

- 671 [c. 1194 \times 1227] Gift by Fulk de Auney to Gervase de Pavely, for his homage and service, of ½ virgate of land in Rushall which Godwin Hareing held and which Eve, his relict, held after his death, together with a messuage and the said Eve, Walter her son, and Eduua and Aveline her daughters, with all their suit of court and their chattels. He also gives I acre of land in his furlong called Cuttesforlong, that is, the one which lies nearer the road called Godeway, in exchange for the head croft which belongs to the aforesaid ‡ virgate, and which he has given to Alexander his son. He also gives to Gervase and his heirs pasture in the same township for 4 oxen or cows. 1 horse, and up to 30 sheep in the common pasture wherever the cattle of the free tenants graze. To be held of Fulk and his heirs in fee and by inheritance, rendering 6d. annually at Michaelmas for all services. Consideration: 4 marks of silver for the business in the king's Treasury concerning the debt of the Jews. Warranty of the \(\frac{1}{2}\) virgate. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Thos. de Neville, Ric. son of Hugh knight, Herb. de Sonning.
- 672 23 Oct. 1344. Grant by John de la River, knight, lord of Tormarton, of permission for the canons and their men to carry goods for their own use by all roads within his lordship of Tormarton without charge, toll, or custom in perpetuity. Bradenstoke Sat. before St. Simon and St. Jude 18 Edw. III.
- 673 21 Apr. 1382. At a court held in the same place, on the Monday before St. George, 5 Ric. II, a charter of Gilbert of Clare [I], earl of Gloucester and Hertford, was examined.

[1217 × 1230] Grant in alms by Gilbert de Clare, earl of Gloucester and Hertford, of all his lands in demesne in Milton by Fairford, which the canons hold of the gift of Thomas Malmains, and of 5 acres of meadow in Clyvemede, and of a parcel of meadow called Wekeslade, and of common pasture in his demesne of Milton for 12 oxen, 1 cow, 2 plough-beasts, and 300 sheep. He also granted and confirmed 1 hide in Milton, which is of his fee, which they have of the gift of Hugh of Chaworth [464] and of Isabel, countess of Gloucester, aunt^b of Earl Gilbert [466]. Consideration: 27½ marks of silver

^a Probably Fairford, but the previous charter in Vit. concerned Sodbury.

b The text reads mater, but Gilbert of Clare [I] inherited from his aunt, Isabel, daughter of Earl William of Gloucester, and sister of Amice his mother. When this court met in 1382 any charter of Earl Gilbert's was 152-65 years old and may well have been partly illegible, so the scribe supplied mater. Alternatively, it may have read matertera, a word for 'aunt' used in the 13th cent. (MLWL, p. 292), possibly unfamiliar in 1382 and treated as a variant of mater by the scribe of the court, or of the cartulary.

¹ Lucy, widow of Fulk, sought dower in 1227: Wilts. Fines I, p. 19.

and a quitclaim by the canons of the pasture they claimed in Fairford and the pastures in Milton called Querneford and Hulles. Warranty. Seal.

It was decided by the court that the canons and their tenants were not to have more pasture for their beasts and sheep than specified in the charter, and that no tenant of the lady's demesne, nor of ancient demesne held by the canons, should graze beasts there in future. If they did they would be punished by the court. [Printed: Monasticon, VI, p. 339 (Earl Gilbert's charter only)].

674 [c. 1263×1272]² Gift in alms by Richard of Cromhall of the virgate in Alkerton which he has of the gift of Richard Murdac, his grandfather, together with homages, reliefs, wardships, and escheats. The canons to hold free of service and suit of court except 1d. to be paid to him and his heirs annually and royal service when demanded. Warranty. Seal. Witnesses: Sir Geof. de Chausy, Sir Wal. de Burgo, Sir Jordan le Warre, Sir. Nic. Burdon.

¹ The Lady in 1382 was Margaret, daughter of Hugh of Audley and Margaret, sister of Earl Gilbert (III) and widow of Ralph Stafford.

² Nicholas Burdon d. 1272: Wilts. Inq. p.m., I, p. 86.

APPENDIX III

25 June 1232. [A confirmation by Henry III of 87 charters, of which the 36 given below are not in either cartulary. The charter of: Eleanor de Viterio. countess of Salisbury, of a rent of 40s, in Cooling and the advowson of the church there; Ellis Burel of 11 acres in Seagry by purchase, and 1 acre of meadow and 5½ acres there, and 3 acres and 3 half-acres there by gift; Thomas Crook of the chapel of Hazelbury and a quarry; Reynold Joie of 6d. from an acre in Woodmancote; Felix, son of Christine Colabe, of half his land and 3 half-acres in Seagry; Muriel, relict of Robert of Lodeford, of 2s. rent in Clevancy; William Chambers, son of William of Pershore, of I acre of land and a half-acre of meadow in Seagry; Ralph de Parco of all his land in Amesbury; Nicholas Bubbe of 2s. rent from Stanley, due to him from Godfrey of Stanley and his heirs; Adam of Luckington, son of Nicholas the Scot, of 4 cotland in Somerford and a pightle called Gores in the West Field; John Bonadred of a virgate in Watchfield which William Sirith once held; Roger de Haga, son and heir of Roger de Haga, of a pightle of I acre lying between 2 acres once of the fee of Thomas Crook; Tibbald of Winterbourne of 6d. rent in Salisbury from the land which Robert Baudry held of him: Robert of Aston of 3s. rent from \(\frac{1}{2}\) virgate which he had restored to Roger, son of Richard; Thomas of Cardiff of all his land in Cardiff; Alexander de Brom of 1 virgate in Seagry: Richard de Wiz of 14 acres in Compton; Silvester Lovel of all the land which Ailwin Buis and Robert de Lund held; Robert Quintin of 4d. rent in Bubbeclive; John, son of William de la Slade, of a garden between the houses of Henry the tanner and Simon le Fache; Felice, wife of Ralph Chaunterel, of a pightle in the meadow of Seagry: John Jocelin of 1 virgate and 1 messuage in Apeltre and 6 acres in Eston; James of Potterne of 30 acres in Estwod and 40s, rent given him by Humphrey de la Rokele from his rent in Estwod: Roger of Sutton of 1 virgate in Hinton: Walter of Durnford of all the holding in Bradford which William Rufus once held of John de Rodes; Alice Cockerel, of 1 virgate in Seagry, 1 acre of meadow in Southmede, I acre next to the land of the canons in Gore, and 4 acre next the meadow which William Cockerel gave; William de Kempsey of 2s, rent he received in Lavington; William le Rus of Norenston of 2 acres in North Aston; Muriel, daughter of Ralph Lovel, of I acre of meadow between Highway and Clevancy; Walter de Graneford of 12d. payable from his land of Blakelond and a messuage in Calne; Robert of Aston of 1 virgate in North Aston, the church, and all the holding of Ralph de Bokehull, with all else within and without the fee of Robert; William Crassus of Baukencey of 18d. rent in Norton; Walter de Parco of all the land in the manor of Briddlesford which Ralph Trout and John Woderove held there, 3 acres with pasture for 20 beasts, 2 horses or plough-beasts, 70 sheep, 15 pigs, 10 goats; Roger, son of Roger the palmer, of 6lb. of wax from land in London; William Cockerel of ½ virgate in Seagry. [Printed: CChR, 1226-57, pp. 159-62].

APPENDIX IV

THE PRIORS OF BRADENSTOKE

Unless otherwise indicated, sources up to 1216 are given in The Heads of Religious Houses, 940-1216. For the later periods they are given in VCH Wilts., III, p. 288.

Adam, res. 11771 William (1), occ. 1182, d. 11832 Matthew, el. 11843 Henry, occ. 1197, d. 12004 William (II), occ. 1203, 12055 Vacant 12086 Simon, occ. 1215, 12437 William (111), occ. 1246, 12608 Geoffrey (I), occ. 1261, 12859 William (1V), occ. 128710 Hugh, occ. 1295, 131111 John de Botewell, el. 1312, 132712 Richard le Best, occ. 132713

Richard, occ. 1344, 134714 Vacant 1 July 1349 - 10 Aug. 135015 Thomas Spicer, occ. 1352, res. 135316 Geoffrey de Besiles, el. 1354, deprived 136717 Richard Redborn, occ. 1371, 137218 Geoffrey de Besiles, restored 137719 Richard Boterel, occ. 1380, 139720 Thomas (II), occ. 1402, 140521 Robert Hatte, occ. 1408, 141622 John Chynnok, el. 1422, dead 145923 Simon de Wootton, occ. 148024 Thomas Walsh, occ. 1484, 152425 William Snowe, el. 1526, res. 153926

- ¹ Res. 1177 to be abbot of Cirencester (Ann. Winchcombe: B.L. Cott. MS. Faust. B.i, f. 20).
 ² Occ. 15 Dec. 1182 (18); d. 1183 (B.L. Cott. MS. Faust. B.i, f. 21).
 ³ Election confirmed 19 May 1184 by Pope Lucius III (17).
 ⁴ Judge-delegate 16 Feb. 1197 (Ctl. Brutan, nos. 283-4); d. 1200 (B.L. Cott. MS. Faust. B. i, f. 23). * Occ. 15 Nov. 1203 (528); 1205 (Rot. Cht., p. 155).

 * Rot. Lit. Claus., 1, p. 109.

 * 9 July 1215 (Rot. Cht., p. 212); 22 May 1243 (445).

 * 25 Nov. 1246 (540); 13 Oct. 1260 (545).

 * Occ. 3 June 1261 (546); 26 Feb. 1285 (334).

 * Occ. 9 Apr. 1287 (Ctl. Glastanbury, III, p. 667).

 * Occ. 29 June 1295 (594); 17 Apr. 1311 (Reg. Gandavo, 1, p. 403). He is wrongly stated to be the 9th prior (415).

 14 Pres. to bishop 6 Mar. 1312 (Reg. Gandavo, 11, pp. 779-81); occ. 29 Oct. 1327 (Reg. Martival, II(ii), p. 544). He is wrongly stated to be the 10th prior (415).

 15 Occ. 1327 (Retulorum Originalium: ... Abbreviatio, Rec. Com. (1805-10), 11, p. 16).

 16 Possibly the same as last prior: occ. 25 Dec. 1344 (448); 20 May 1347 (305).

 17 CPR, 1348-50, pp. 332, 565.

 18 Occ. 14 June 1352 (CPL, 1342-62, p. 473); res. 1353 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. Wyvil, 1, f. 170).

 19 Licence to elect 16 Mar. 1354; assent to election 6 Apr. 1354 (Reg. Black Prince, IV, p. 213). Deprived 1367 (CCR, 1364-68, p. 176).

 19 Occ. 23 Jan. 1371 (251); 25 Mar. 1372 (252).

 10 Restored 8 Jan. 1377 (CPR, 1374-77, p. 404).

 11 Occ. 29 Jan. 1380 (253); 1397 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. Mitford, f. 117v.).

 12 Occ. Later term 1402 (571); 1405 (CPL, 1404-15, p. 15).

 13 Occ. 1408 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. Hallam, I(ii), ff. 24, 98); 27 Feb. 1416 (574).

 15 Elected 1422 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. Chandler, II, f. 30v.); dead 1459 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. 9th prior (415).

- 23 Elected 1422 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. Chandler, II, f. 30v.); dead 1459 (Sar. Dioc. Regy., Reg. Beauchamp, 1, f. 31). 24 Occ. Aug. 1480 (577).
- ²⁶ Occ. 4 Apr. 1484 (572); 1524 (Letters and Papers, Hen. VIII, IV(1), p. 423). ³⁰ Elected 1526 (ibid., p. 912); resigned 17 Jan. 1539 (ibid., XIV(1), p. 32).

References, except to pages of the Introduction, are to the numbers of the documents. Patronymics are indexed under the name of the father. Place-names which have been identified are given in the modern form. Names derived from occupations have been regarded as surnames, with the exception of chaplains, clerks, priests, and members of religious houses of whom only Christian names are known. Persons whose surnames are defective or illegible in the MSS. are at the end of the index. The following abbreviations may need elucidation: bp., bishop; bro., brother; chapl., chaplain; dau(s)., daughter(s); gs., grandson; j.i., justice itinerant; knt., knight; m., married; Mast., Master; s., son; w., wife.

A., the squire, 103, 220, 636	Aldwin—contd.
Abbetot, Jn. de, 476, 642	Ric., 107
Abbotstone (in Whiteparish), Jn. of, 191	Rog., 88–90, 92, 96–7, 102
Abbingdon (Berks.), dean of, 111	—, of Calne, 106
	Thos. s. of Rog., 89
Abingdon:	Wal., 248
Ric. of, 611 Rob. of, 219	Ale-wife:
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Absolon, Ralph, 395, 397–9	Agn. the, 213 Edith the, 392
Acton In that 445	Alexander:
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