

between the Chatham and Dover RAILWAY STATION, and the road which skirts the ditch of the city walls.

In 1885, while excavating foundations for the new LONDON AND COUNTY BANK, in High Street, at 15 feet from the surface a *dark silty soil* was met with, and in it were skulls of three oxen, allied to, if not identical with, *Bos longifrons*.

I am informed by Mr. Wilson's foreman, that when a settlement occurred under the wall of the cellar of MR. FRIEND'S HOUSE, nearly opposite Rose Lane, it was found that the *subsoil was a bog* into which you could thrust a pole to a great depth.

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### SCULPTURED HEAD OF A KNIGHT.

IN the crypt of Canterbury Cathedral, early in 1887, was found a well-sculptured head, detached from the stone effigy of a knight. This head had been built into a wall, like a piece of rubble, behind the reredos of the celebrated "Chapel of our Lady in the Undercroft."

Upon the head we see a bascinet, of that early and unusual shape which is shewn upon the monumental brasses of Sir John D'Aubernon, who died in 1327, and Sir John de Creke of Westley Waterless, in Cambridgeshire, of the same period. Much of the delicately sculptured chainmail of the *camail* has been worn away, but traces of it are still visible.

As examples of this early form of bascinet are not common, the sculptured head has been sketched by Miss H. Halhed, and a good photo-lithograph of her drawing appears upon the opposite plate. The sculpture itself is preserved in the Cathedral Library.

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SCULPTURED HEAD FOUND IN THE EAST FACE OR BACK OF THE REREDOS  
OF THE LADY CHAPEL, IN THE CRYPT OF CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL.