

FORD MANOR HOUSE AND LANDS IN 1647.*

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FORD HOUSE and Park, situated between Reculver and Canterbury, and upon what was no doubt the Roman road between those two places, was one of the fifteen Manor Houses in Kent (in addition to the Palace at Canterbury) that belonged to the Archbishops of Canterbury. From its nearness to the cathedral city, and somewhat exposed position, it does not seem to have been much used in early times by the Archbishops, except perhaps in summer.

Ford probably derives its name from the Norse "fiord," an arm of the sea visited by the Scandinavian sea-rovers. The best account that we have of Ford is the following Survey that was taken in the month of April 1647 by Parliament of the lands, etc., that belonged to Bishops and Dean and Chapters. These Surveys are in the Library at Lambeth Palace.

Archbishop Cranmer was staying at the Ford Manor House when he received the summons to appear before the Privy Council at Westminster, from there to be committed to the Tower, and afterwards to prison at Oxford.

Archbishop Parker [1559—75], writing to Lord Burghley on the 12th March 1573, said:—"I would remove some part of an old, decayed, wasteful, unwholesome, and desolate house at Ford to enlarge the little house I have at Bekesbourne." †

In 1650, three years after this survey of the house was made, the Manor House was pulled down by the Parliament spoliators; and in 1678, by a decree of Charles II., the See

* From the Parliamentary Survey.

† Letters of Archbishop Parker (Parker Society), p. 419.

of Canterbury was freed from the obligation of rebuilding this house at Ford, and also at Bekesbourne.

[Ford, probably the most ancient of the archiepiscopal residences, excepting the palace at Canterbury, is in the parish of Hoath, and lies on the road which divides that parish from Herne. Leland tells us* that Archbishop Moreton almost rebuilt Ford, but within seventy years it appears to have fallen into the state of dilapidation which Archbishop Parker complains of in his letter to Lord Burghley, quoted above by Mr. Hussey. Cranmer spent much time at Ford, where he was often visited by his friend and neighbour Nicholas Ridley, the Vicar of Herne. In the summer of 1544 Henry VIII., on his way to France, dined here with Cranmer, and rode the same night to Dover.† Archbishop Whitgift stayed at Ford occasionally, and is said to have been accustomed to hunt in the park. It was to the seclusion of this retreat that Archbishop Abbot retired in 1627, after the unfortunate accident which put an end to the exercise of his archiepiscopal functions.‡ Few traces of the old Manor House are now visible. Little remained even in Hasted's time. He notes some of the walls with flues of uncertain use, and part of the old gateway as then standing, and the forms of the fish-ponds as still defined. The farmhouse, he says, was built on the site of the old lodge, a small part of which might then be seen.§ The Rev. J. R. Buchanan, in his *Memorials of Herne*,|| thinks that some of the stones of the old house may be observed in the garden immediately opposite, and he tells us that legends and stories about the springs (one in the old palace grounds, and another, "St. Ethelburga's," in a meadow behind the house opposite), the vineyard, and the fish-pond still linger in the neighbourhood.

The late Mr. G. Dowker, in his paper on Reculver Church, published in a former volume of our proceedings,¶ states that he had examined Ford and found early foundations of

* Leland's *Itin.*, vol. vii., p. 139.

† Rymer's *Fœd.*, vol. xv., p. 52.

‡ Rapin, vol. ii., p. 259, quoted by Hasted.

§ *History of Kent*, fol. ed., vol. iii., p. 625.

|| Pp. 13, 14. (Ed. 1888.)

¶ *Archæologia Cantiana*, Vol. XII., p. 248.

compact masonry in which *Roman* tiles are introduced, though most of the present walls appeared to him to have been rebuilt from the foundations, and he thought this masonry wonderfully like that in the earliest part of Reculver Church.—
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The Volumes of the Parliamentary Surveys of Episcopal Lands in 1647, now at Lambeth Palace Library, contain the following account of Ford (between Reculver and Canterbury), then part of the possessions of the See of Canterbury* :—

A true and perfect Survey, taken by John Mayden, Jeffery Sandwell, John Griffith, and William Belgrave, gents., the 20th day of April 1647 at Ford Park in the County of Kent aforesaid, of the said Park and Mansion House of Ford reputed within the Manor of Reculver, with the appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining, heretofore in the tenure or occupation of William Laud, late Archbishop of Canterbury, or his assigns.

FORD PARK.

Imprimis.—One great Mansion-house situate in Ford Park aforesaid and commonly called Ford Park with the site thereof, containing one Great Hall with a screen, in length 52 feet and breadth 27 [feet], built of stone with buttresses, having an archband roof† open to the top, in the midst whereof a lantern covered with lead. South of the said Hall a Buttery and Pantry, between which a fair passage to the great kitchen, eastwards whereof a little stone house, the said kitchen in length 30 feet and in breadth 22 feet, the chimney 16 feet between the jambs, an archband roof open. In which kitchen a waterpipe, a leaden cistern, a water cock, a boiling caldron of lead not in order, two ovens, and a dry larder; a lesser kitchen adjoining with a wet larder and two other rooms, all lying south of the said hall, and at the north end thereof a Pantry, a wine cellar, and three beer cellars.

On the east end of the house a large bake-house with a fair chimney, two ovens of freestone, a boulting-house,‡ a wash-house,

* An Ordinance of Parliament was made 9 October 1646 for the abolishing of Archbishops and Bishops within the Kingdom of England and Principality of Wales, and for settling their lands and possessions on Trustees for the use of the Commonwealth.—EDITORS.

† Archband is that portion of a rib which remains visible between the surface of the vaulting. (*Funk and Wagnall's Dictionary*.)

‡ Bolt-house, the place in which flour was sifted. (*Dialect Dictionary*.)

and folding-room; a Base-court* southward within the said buildings giving light to several offices and rooms of the aforesaid great mansion-house, in length 52 feet and breadth 30 feet.

On the north side and east end of the said court a lodging chamber with a chimney, a passage to the Inner Court between the great hall and the long gallery, the length of which court 52 feet, and breadth 49 feet, into which open four lodging ground chambers, two having chimneys.

From the north of the said hall westward the Chapel, built of stone, in length 75 feet and in breadth 25 feet, in which a pulpit and seats; an old clock with a bell hanging in a small turret upon the said chapel, near which in the forefront of the entrance of the aforesaid great hall or mansion-house southward the Porter's Lodge or second gate-house with a chimney, five ground lodging chambers, two having chimneys, all which open into the Inner Court, containing in length from the aforesaid chapel southward 89 feet and in breadth 80 feet; on the south side whereof two ground lodging chambers with chimneys. Upon the north side of the whole fabric from the east angle westwards a Tower built of durable brick, the length 48 feet, the breadth 60 feet, and height 52 feet, comprehending five fair lodging chambers, in height one above another, with chimneys, the three uppermost having to each of them two drawing rooms and a house of office, and the two nethermost chambers to either of them a drawing-room and closet. The said tower covered with lead and in reasonable repair.

On the north end of the aforesaid great hall a fair pair of stairs ascending the drawing-room, a drawing-room westward with a passage into the said tower. Eastward a large chamber, an entry or walk, into which open the back stairs from the Park, and four fair chambers, three having chimneys and one a closet, and leading to another pair of back stairs. And a large Gallery on the aforesaid east side, wainscoted, having a compass-window† and other large light, a compass ceiling clouded, and in length 82 feet and breadth 15 feet, a chimney and two closets adjoining. Southwards the aforesaid hall two chambers with chimneys and closets. One chamber over the little kitchen with a chimney and a closet and three other lodging rooms in the same rank eastward.

* The lower or outer court of a castle or mansion occupied by the servants; the court in the rear of a farm-house containing the outbuildings. (*Hist. Eng. Dict.*)

† Compass-window, a projecting circular, bay, or oriel window.

Between the aforesaid two Inner Courts, up a pair of stairs three chambers, one having a chimney, the windows opening into both the said courts. In the buildings over the great gate and porter's lodge in the second storey six chambers, three having chimneys; and on the south side opposite to the chapel three chambers, two having chimneys.

Westward from the porter's lodge or great gate the Outer Court, 64 feet in length, and breadth 54 feet, fenced about with a brick wall, adjoining to which northwards a small garden, in length 80 feet, and in breadth 67 feet, compassed with brick walls. West of the said court and garden a yard, in length from the wall of the aforesaid court and garden to the lodge or gatehouse situate upon the highway, 18 rods, and in breadth 6 rods, making 3 roods of ground fenced with a brick wall as is aforesaid, the Stable on the north side thereof in length 182 feet, and in breadth 37 feet, built of brick and covered with tile, being joist and timbered for storage of hay without boards. On the west side to the highway the aforesaid out gatehouse or lodge, usually the housekeeper's, having four ground rooms, three above, and two stacks of chimneys, and about two bays of outhousing serving for a brew-house, out of repairs.

On the south side of the mansion-house and yard aforesaid a small orchard and garden-plot, with a dove-house therein, built with timber and covered with tiles, but unstored, in the whole about 2 acres and 1 rood.

On the east and north side adjoining the aforesaid great mansion-house the Park unstored of deer, containing 166 acres, gravelly and sandy land fenced with pale, in reasonable reparation.

And most of the aforesaid premises, viz., mansion-house and outhouses aforesaid, are built with brick, and all but the said tower covered with tile, and are situated in Ford Park in the county of Kent aforesaid, within seven miles of the city of Canterbury and three miles of the sea, and in reasonable reparations, and do contain in the whole 169 acres 1 rod, and are worth to be let per year £43 10s.

The materials of all which buildings, viz., brick, stone, timber, tiles, lead, glass, etc., worth to be sold and for to be taken away, in toto £820.

The aforesaid house of Ford we conceive to be the Manor House of Reculver in regards that the Courts thereof have been usually kept there.

Item.—The timber and pollards upon the said Park being about 300, with the thorns and bushes growing on the same £90.

Item.—One piece of land called Broomefield in the occupation of William Ducket, housekeeper, parcel of the said Manor and lying in the parish of Herne, containing by estimation 4 acres, worth 4s. per acre. In toto per year 16s. (rent).

Item.—Three acres of meadow commonly called the Lord's Mead, parcel of the said Manor, lying in the parish of Reculver, and in the occupation of the said William Ducket, worth 13s. 4d. per acre. In toto per year £2 (rent).

Item.—One parcel of land called Littlewood, parcel of the said Manor and lying in the parish of Reculver, containing by estimation $15\frac{1}{2}$ acres, on which are about 150 small saplings, worth £10.

Item.—The coppices or underwoods thereof, about four years' growth, worth 13s. 4d. the acre. In toto £10 6s.

Item.—The vesture* being taken of [off?] the lands is worth 5s. per acre. In toto per year £3 17s. 6d. (rent).

Item.—One other parcel of wood called Rushley, parcel of the said Manor, lying in the parish of Hearne, containing 60 acres, upon [which] are standing about 360 small oaks, and are worth at 6s. 8d. a piece, one with another £120, and likewise about 480 saplings, worth at 2s. a piece, £68 [sic]. In toto £168.

Item.—The coppices or underwoods, 20 acres thereof at ten years' growth and 20 acres thereof at eight years' growth, worth per acre one with another 40s. The third shott, 20 acres worth 20s. per year, and doth amount in the whole to the sum of £100.

Item.—The land to let, the vesture being taken off, is worth per acre 5s. In toto £15.

Item.—Three parcels of arable land called Petsfield, part of the said Manor and lying within the parish of Reculver aforesaid, being as follows, viz. :—

One close, rent	£12
One other close, rent	8
And one other parcel, rent	3
	£23
	£23

Which said premises are now in the occupation of Stephen Court, who holds the farm from Walter Dobson of Lambeth in the County

* Vesture is an old English law term—(1) all that covers land, except trees, (2) seizin, possession. (*Funk and Wagnall's Dictionary*.)

of Surrey, to whom they are demised by indenture bearing date the 26th day of November, Anno Reg. Carol. Regis. 16, An. Dom. 1640, by William Laud, late Abp. of Canterbury, among other things unto him the said Walter for the term of one and twenty years to commence from the date of the said lease at a certain yearly rent, out of which he payeth for the said lands yearly at Michaelmas the sum of £1 13s. 4d.

Item.—One and twenty parcels of land in the occupation of Richard Masters, Esquire,* part of the said Manor, being as followeth, viz. :—

Imprimis.—Patrickfield *alias* Bartholomew field, 7 acres.

Item.—The ten acres or Whitfield, 10 acres.

Item.—The seven acres or Crowisbrefield, 7 acres.

Item.—Baron Hill and Bryston field, 38 acres.

Item.—The Penny close or Frith, 3 acres.

Item.—One other parcel of 2 acres.

Item.—Petfields, 20 acres.

Item.—Penditsh, 1 acre.

Item.—One piece near Gibs hedge, 3 rods, 13 perches.

Item.—The Six acres, 6 acres.

Item.—A piece by John German's gate, 3 acres, 2 rods.

Item.—A little square piece, 12 perches.

Item.—A little close near Stocmaiss, 2 rods.

Item.—Milborow Hill or frith, 3 acres, 3 rods.

Item.—Southdown, 24 acres, 3 rods.

Item.—A piece lying in Little Woodfield, 1 acre.

Item.—One other little piece lying near Littlewood, 2 rods.

Item.—One little piece lying east of the castle walls, 13½ perches.

Item.—Court Postall, 1 acre.

Item.—Two small parcels more with the premises make in toto 131 acres, 1 rod, 38½ perches.

All which said premises except timber trees, advowsons, liberties of fishing, and all other royalties the said Richard Masters holdeth by lease, bearing date the 26 February, 14 Charles the King, made by William Laud, late Archbishop of Canterbury, for twenty-one years to commence from the date of the said lease, paying

* Probably the Richard Master, afterwards of East Langdon, who married at Wingham Church, 2 January 1627, Ann the eldest daughter of Sir James Oxenden, and had issue seventeen children. (See *Archæologia Cantiana*, Vol. V., for the Master Pedigree, etc.)

at the Annunciation of Our Lady and Michaelmas per annum £7 16s. 2d.

The premises are now worth to be let upon improvement, including the reserved rent, per annum £50.

Item.—About sixty elms growing upon parcel of the said lands worth to be sold £5.

Item.—The benefit of certain stones upon the said Manor falling out of the cliffs called Goldstones, Sulpherstones, Copperastones, or stones whereof copper is made, demised by the said William Laud, late Archbishop of Canterbury, unto Edmund Rowse and Thomas Gold, gents., by indenture bearing date the 20 November 1636 for the term of twenty-one years from the Feast of S. Michael the Archangel before the date of the said lease, paying at the Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady and S. Michael the Archangel by equal portions yearly the sum of £2.

In which said lease is a proviso, viz.: Provided always and nevertheless it is covenanted, granted, and agreed by and between the said parties to these presents, that if at any time hereafter during the said term of twenty-one years the said Lord Archbishop, his successors, or any of them shall, for any good considerations to him or them known, require, or demand by himself or his officers or any of them a surrender of this present lease and term, therein to be paid to the said Lord Archbishop and his successors, by them the said Edmund Rowse and Thomas Gold, their executors, administrators, and assigns, of the state, interest, and term before mentioned granted to them the said Edmund Rowse and Thomas Gold in form aforesaid. That then if the said Edmund Rowse and Thomas Gold, their executors, administrators, or assigns, within forty days next after such request or demand as before is provided do not as fully and really resign and surrender and yield to the use of the said Lord Archbishop or his successors, to such person or persons as shall require and demand the said surrender of the premises and all their ferm and interest therein, according to the time, intent, and meaning of these presents, that then this present lease shall be void, frustrate, and of none effect, anything herein contained to the contrary in any respect notwithstanding.

Item.—The Rectory or Parsonage of Reculver and Chapel-tithery or Rectory of Hoath belonging to the said Manor, containing one barn of four bays built with brick and covered with tiles in good repair, and one yard wherein is one cottage, adjoin-

ing to the said yard a parcel of glebe land containing 3 acres, now to be let upon improvement at 6s. 8d. per acre. In toto per year £1.

And the tithes of the premises worth now to be let upon improvement per year £129.

Item about twenty-four elms, one oak, and six elm pollards standing upon the said glebe land, worth to be sold £12.

Item.—The Rectory or Chapel of Herne, parcel of the said Manor, containing one small tenement built with timber, the walls panelled with brick and the roof covered with tiles. One great barn containing ten bays built with timber, the sides boarded, having three porches covered with tiles, and the roof of the said barn. The shed with a stable at the west end, one yard paled with a granary, and dove-house therein, built of timber and covered with tiles, stored and in good repair, a water-pond in the said yard, and adjoining the said barn. One parcel of glebe land containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres, worth per acre 12s., which to be let now upon improvement comes in toto per annum £1 10s.

And the tithes of this premises now to be let upon improvement per year £188 10s.

Item.—Two elm trees and fourteen pollards standing upon the said glebe land worth to be sold £2 10s.

The aforesaid Rectories of Reculver, Hoath, and Hearne with all and singular their appurtenances, except timber, underwoods, liberties, and advowsons of the vicarages, were demised by William Laud, late Archbishop of Canterbury, unto Edward Mills,* gent., by indenture bearing date 24 March in the seventeenth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King Charles, Anno Dom. 1641, for the term of one and twenty years to commence from the date of the said lease, paying therefore at the Feasts of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Nativity of John Baptist, S. Michael the Archangel, and the Nativity of our Lord God, by even equal portions the yearly rent of £40.

Item.—The advowsons of the Vicarage of Reculver and Herne aforesaid did belong to the late Archbishop of Canterbury.

And there is belonging to the Vicar of Reculver and Hoath one house, 2 acres of glebe land, and the benefit of the small tithes, amounting in the whole per year £40.

* This Edward Milles of Herne married at Canterbury Cathedral, 30 January 1640, Elisabeth St. Nicholas. For the Milles Family see *A Forgotten Past*, by F. H. Suckling. (Bell and Sons. 1898.)

And there is belonging to the Vicar of Herne aforesaid one house, garden, and orchard, containing 1 acre of land, and the benefit of the small tithes, amounting in the whole year £70.

Item.—Quit-rents or rents of assize belonging to the Lord of the said Manor, due and always paid at the Feast of S. Michael the Archangel by the amounts hereafter mentioned to the officer called Reeve, chosen by the Jury of Homage every Michaelmas Court, who are to collect and answer the same to the Lord. Which said Court held the premises to them and their heirs respectively for ever by suit of court, for default whereof they are to pay to the said Lord for amerciamento 4s., and upon every change that doth happen either by death or purchase the said tenants severally are to pay for alienation, half the quit-rent hereafter reserved, so often as it shall happen. And at every Michaelmas Court aforesaid there are two other officers chosen out of the said tenants called Beadles, who are to attend the Court and gather in such amerciaments, releises, and other casualties as shall be found by the jury, and returned to them by the Lord of the said Manor or Steward of the said Court, for the foresaid default or charge, which beadles for the execution of their said office have belonging to them successively, one parcel of land called Beadles-land, containing 3 acres lying in the parish of Herne aforesaid, and now in the occupation of . . . , the present beadle for the time being, and is worth per year 13s. 4d.

BOROUGH OF RECULVER.

[Here follow the names of the tenants and their small manorial payments, and the list of them covers six large pages.]

Item.—A certain fish weir belonging to the said Manor within the sea coast, in the hands of those hereafter named, which hold the same to them and their heirs, paying the rents hereafter mentioned, and reliefs according to the custom of the Manor, and none without licence of the Lord can erect any but where the old stedells [posts] are.

[Total number of weirs 21, and the payment twopence for each weir.]

Item.—The tenants of Stourmouth pay for not appearing and doing suit at the Court Baron yearly the sum of 4d.

The tenants of Chilmiton pay for the like yearly 13s. 4d.

The tenants of Barham pay for the like 7s.

The tenants of Shottington pay for the like 2s.

The profits of the Court one year with another £1 3s. 8d. [*sic*].

Belonging to the Lord of the said Manor two fairs, one held at Reculver at the Lady Day in harvest and the other at Hearn on the Friday before Easter yearly, and are worth 2d. a piece yearly; and in toto 4d.

The Lord of the Manor hath all hawking, hunting, fowling, fishing, court-leets, court-barons, liberties, fines, issues, amerciements, waifs, strays, escheats, deodands, felons' goods, wrecks of the sea, and all other casualties within the said Manor and the jurisdiction thereof.

John Cave, gentleman, holdeth by Patent from the late Archbishop, and confirmed by Dean and Chapter, the place of Seneschal or Steward of the said Manor during his life, who is to deliver to the Beadle or other Officer of the Archbishop and his successors an extract of all amerciements each court imposed, as also once a year a true and lawful account together with the Rolls of the Court to the Archbishop his Auditor. Which Patent bears date the fourth of November 1635.

Item.—Belonging to the said Manor two free Commons lying in the parish of Herne and called Hunters Street, and the other called Belting Green, which are free for the Lord's tenants, and for any travellers or drivers to rest their cattle; which said Commons do both of them in the whole amount to by estimation 7 acres of land or thereabouts.

The rate and value of the lands, rents, perquisites, and appurtenances belonging to the said Manor, as they now are, in toto per year £132 15s. 6d.

The value of the same as they may be set upon improvement, including the reserved rent, per annum £183 6s.

The value of the timber and underwood growing and being upon the premises £383 6s. 8d.

The aforesaid Rectories, glebes, and tithes, in present, per year £40.

Worth to be set upon improvement per year £320.

Timber and underwood growing on the said glebe lands worth £14 10s.

The materials of Ford House worth as aforesaid £820.

Reprises issuing out of the said Manor, or issuing out of the said Manor by ancient custom, a yearly pension of 40s. per year to

the Vicar or Minister of the parish of Reculver; and 1 acre of land, parcel of the said Manor adjoining to the meadow called the Lord's Meade aforesaid, worth per year 10s.

Item.—The heirs of John Hawlet, gent., hold of the Lord of the Manor a piece of land to them and their heirs, containing 4 acres lying in the parish of Reculver, abutting to the lands of Mr. Manwood west and north, and for service thereout due to the lord they are to mow and make the hay of the Lord's Meade aforesaid yearly when it is for hay.

Item.—A patent by William Laud, late Archbishop of Canterbury, dated the tenth day of March in the eleventh year of King Charles, and confirmed by the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in Canterbury aforesaid, as well for service done and to be done by William Ducket, Francis Lee, and John Cobb, as for other considerations, did give and grant and confirm unto them the office of Keeper or Keeping of the Manor and Mansion House of Ford, with appurtenances, in the county of Kent, and of the ponds and gardens there. And of the office of Keeper or Keeping of the Park of Ford aforesaid, and of the Woods in the Lordships of Herne and Reculver, together with all pannage in the aforesaid park, and herbage for six cows and four horses or geldings in the aforesaid park, and a sufficient house or dwelling there called the Lodge, with dove-houses and other edifices to the said house or dwelling annexed or conjoined. To have and to hold the premises with all and singular their appurtenances to the said William Ducket, Francis Lee, and John Cobb, and so to every of them jointly and severally for the term of their natural lives, and of every of them longest living, by themselves or by their sufficient deputy or deputies, in as ample manner and form as any other person or persons the aforesaid officer had held or occupied, saving and always reserved to the said Archbishop and his successors, all the young pigeons out of the aforesaid dove-house, without any money to be paid for the same, when and so long as he and his successors should happen to reside or stay in the city of Canterbury or any other of his manor houses within twelve miles of Canterbury, being from thence to send for them. Altogether, with the fee or stipend of two pence per day for executing the said offices, to be paid by the Receiver or Farmer of the Lordships of Reculver and Herne aforesaid yearly, at the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and S. Michael the Archangel, by equal

portions. And four cart-loads of wood yearly out of the woods aforesaid by assignation of the supervisor; and one robe or livery, such as the servants of the said Archbishop, called gentlemen, have had, with power to distrain for the said fee of two pence per day, and the herbage and pannage aforesaid upon the manors of Herne, Reculver, and Chislet, if the same be behind and unpaid.

The annual value of which particulars are as followeth, viz. :—

Imprimis.—Two pence per day; in toto for the year £3 0s. 10d.

Item.—Six cows at 10d. a week apiece; in toto per year £13.

Item.—Four horses at 14d. apiece per week; per year £12 2s. 8d.

Item.—The Livery, £3.

Item.—Four cart-loads of wood at 13s. 4d. per cart; in toto per annum £2 13s. 4d.

Sum total per year £33 16s. 10d.

Item.—Issuing out of the said Manor and the Manor of Boughton-under-the-Blean, and out of the aforesaid parsonages or rectories to the prior, brethren and sisters of the Hospital of Harbeldowne and Northgate, the sum of £160 per year, as by an ancient deed doth there appear. But since for many years the said £160 hath been paid out of the Priory of S. Gregory, and the demesne of the manor of Chislet, and the parsonages before mentioned; wherefore we conceive that the payment thereof hath been at the pleasure of the Archbishop, to charge upon his own estate where he pleased.

JOHN MADDEN.

JEFFERY SANDWELL.

JOHN GRIFFITH.

WILLIAM BELGRAVE.

MEMORANDUM.—The foresaid Manor and particulars with all the services, annuities, franchises, liberties, privileges, immunities, right of entry, interests, title of entry, conditions, commons, court-leets, court-barons, and all other possessions and hereditaments whatsoever, with all and every their appurtenances, of whatsoever nature or quality soever they be, which now are or at any time within ten years before the beginning of the present Parliament, were belonging to the said late Archbishop and his predecessors, which he or they or any of them had held or enjoyed, as rights, parts, and

members of the said Manor, and particulars returned in this present Survey, in right of his or their bishoprick, dignities, offices, or places respectively, taken and intended to be included and contained in this present Survey, and under the relation of the particulars mentioned and expressed in the same.

(Signed by) JOHN MADDEN*
 JEFF. SANDWELL† } Surveyors.
 JO. GRIFFITH‡
 WM. BELGRAVE }

Received 11 January 1647-8.

* Probably the John Madden who was one of the Committee for Ireland in March 1646 and December 1648.

† Jeffery Sandwell was probably a local resident, and perhaps the son of the person of that name who in 1620 bought Watchester in the parish of Minster in Thanet, and afterwards other lands in Monkton and Birchington (Hasted, iv. 321). The Canterbury Marriage Licences (printed by Mr. J. M. Cowper) have references to several people named Sandwell. A Jeffery Sandwell, born in 1608, married, in June 1629, Frances Sanders, the daughter of his guardian named Francis Sanders.

‡ John Griffith, a noted hunter-out of Roman Catholic Priests for Secretary Conway, between 1625 and 1634. In 1644 he was assessed at £2000, but respited until the State, which owed him much money, should pay him. He was receiver to the Earl of Arundel in 1645—50.