

THE BARONS OF NEW ROMNEY IN
PARLIAMENT.

BY JOHN STOKES.

THE recent visit of our Society to Romney may serve as an excuse for printing the following list of those persons who are known to have represented the burgesses of the ancient town and port in Parliament. No return of Members is extant until the year 1366, but from that year (except apparently for a short period during the Commonwealth) Romney sent two Barons to Parliament until the borough was disfranchised by the Reform Bill of 1832. Of the one hundred and seventy-two Parliaments convened between these dates, one hundred and twenty are known to have comprised Members from Romney, and of these I have succeeded in recovering one hundred and forty-nine names, to many of which I have added a short biographical note. For the first two hundred years or so, when Romney was still a seaport of importance, her representatives seem for the most part to have been resident in the town or neighbourhood. In Tudor times this was less common, though the Mayor was not infrequently chosen to represent in Parliament the town in which he was the Chief Magistrate. After 1613 local celebrities disappear from the roll, and for the next hundred and fifty years the representation of the town was in the hands of leading county families. During the last sixty years of its political existence Romney was degraded to the position of a pocket borough, the electors were reduced to a mere handful, and a writer in 1816 admits that "the number of places in the possession of the patron's friends (Sir Cholmondely Dering) renders the return of Treasury Candidates an indispensable duty."*

* *Representative History of Great Britain and Ireland*, by T. H. B. Oldfield, 1816, vol. v., p. 403.

Edward III.

- 1366 JAMES COLEBROND. The name often occurs in the Romney Records. Some of the family were Guardians of Denge Marsh. One of the wards of the town was called Colebrond.
- JOHN FRANCEYS (or FRAUNCEYS). Farmer of St. Nicholas Parsonage, and the re-founder of the Lepers' Hospital in Romney.
- 1368 WILLIAM HOLYNGBROKE. He heads the list in the Rate Book (Maltotes) for many years. One of the wards of the town was called Holynbroke. He died in 1375, and a small brass to his memory is in St. Nicholas Church.
- JOHN TIECE. A John Tiece sat for Canterbury in the preceding and following Parliaments.
- 1371 WILLIAM HOLYNGBROKE. Apparently the only Member.
- 1372 HENRY LEWES.
- JOHN COLEBROND.
- 1373 JOHN COLEBROND.
- HUGH ROGGER (ROGER).
- 1377 JOHN ATTE WODE (ATWOOD). He sat for Rye 1378. The family is mentioned in the *Book of Aid for Kent*, under Old Romney.
- WILLIAM CHILDE.

Richard II.

- 1377 HUGH GOLDSMITH. Others of this name sat for Canterbury and Worcester.
- JOHN ADAM. A Nicholas Adam was Knight of the Shire for Kent, 1385. Guardian of Denge Marsh.
- 1378 JOHN NUWENE (or NEWENE). Mr. Riley says "probably so called from keeping the New Inn." (Hist. MSS. Com., 5th Rep., p. 533.)
- ROGER DOD. The Dodds were an important family in Brookland.
- 1381 WILLIAM HOLYNGBROKE. Probably son of the above William Holynbroke.
- WILLIAM CHILDE.
- 1382 JOHN ADAM.
- ANDREW COLYN. "Paid £3 15s. to Andrew Colyn for digging in the Rhee." In an indenture dated 1398, made between William Porter and Robert Geffe of the one part, and Edith the wife of Andrew Colyn of Romene of the

other part, amongst other property conveyed mention is made of a stall (*stallagium*), at which the said Andrew used to stand. Members of this name at this period sat for Yarmouth, Arundel, and Horsham.

- 1382 SIMON GWODE.
EDMUND HUCHON (OR HOCHON). One of this name represented Rochester in 1427 and 1435.
- 1383 SIMON CLERK. Bailiff at Great Yarmouth, 1384.
JAMES TYECE.
- 1383 WILLIAM HOLYNGBROKE.
WILLIAM CHILDE.
- 1384 WILLIAM SEFROD (SEAFORD). Probably the Head Inn Keeper of the town. (See Hist. MSS. Com., 5th Report, p. 533.)
JAMES TYECE.
- 1385 WILLIAM CHILDE. "For the expenses of William Childe and William Tyece on the last day of May, when they conversed with the Lieutenant (of Dover Castle), as to making terms with Lyde, 100s."
JOHN ELYS (OR ELLIS). "Received 6s. 8d. of the men of the town of Wynchelse, for their share of the costs incurred by John Salerne and John Elys upon a copy of Magna Charter." A John Elys sat for Dover 1376, and others for the County, Sandwich, Canterbury, and Yarmouth.
- 1386 SIMON LUNSFORD (OR LONSEFORD). Mayor of Rye 1380, and Member for the same place 1383, 1390, 1391.
JOHN SALERNE. "The expenses of Simon Lonceford and John Salerne riding to London at Michaelmas to the Parliament, 6^l 3^s 4^d; the expenses of John Atte Hall for 38 days at the same Parliament, he taking 20^d per day." John Salerne was returned for Hastings, Rye, Winchelsea, and Romney between 1372 to 1407 on twelve different occasions.
- 1388 WILLIAM HOLYNGBROKE.
JOHN SALERNE.
- 1388 WILLIAM HOLYNGBROKE.
JOHN ELYS.
- 1390 JOHN IVE (OR IVY), of Old Romney. A William Ive represented Sandwich in 1382, 1385, 1386. In mediæval times Ivychurch was always spelt Ivechurch; is it possible that the name may be derived from this family of Ive?

- 1390 JAMES TYECE.
- 1391 JOHN SALERNE.
WILLIAM ELYS.
- 1393 ANDREW COLYN (see 1382).
ROBERT GEFFEE (or JEFFE).
- 1395 JOHN GARDYNER.
WILLIAM CHILDE.
- 1397 JOHN YON (? YOUNGE, a Lydd family). "Expenses at Parliament of John Yon and Robert Geffe, and two grooms and four horses, 106^s 0³^d. Expenses incurred upon the Queen's (Isabel of France) Coronation by Stephen Adam, John Gardyner, and James Tiece, with purchase of 3 garnitures of baudekyn with 3 hoods of scarlet, and 4 men and 8 horses going and returning 12 days, 12^l 19^s 8^d."
- 1397 ROBERT GEFFEE.
- Henry IV.
- 1399 JOHN GARDINER.
JOHN TALBOT. Bailiff of Romney, 1387. "Costs upon the Coronation of our Lord the King (Henry IV.) by John Lunceford, John Gardiner, and John Talbot for 10 days, with purchase of 3 Gowns and 3 scarlet hoods, and broidyng of 3 sleeves, and making up the gowns and hoods, with hire of their horses, 9^l 11^s 4^d."
- 1402 The returns are torn, but the names are believed to be John L(ounce)forde (Lunsford), and John Ive.
- 1406 ROBERT GEFFEE, Senior.
THOMAS ROKYSLEE. He was Master of St. John's House in Romney in 1407. "Received from Thomas Rokysle for one tun and one pipe of wine belonging to the community drunk in the tavern of Cnobelte 3^s 4^d," 1413.
- 1407 JOHN ROGER.
BRICE SHERTE.
- 1410 JOHN ADAM. "Paid to John Adam for his wages in Parliament 25 dayes 3^l. 2^s 6^d at 2^s 6^d per day." A John Adam represented Dover about the same date. Died 1441.
JOHN LUNCEFORD (or LUNSFORD).

Henry V.

- 1413 WILLIAM CLIDEROWE (or CLITHEROWE). The Clitherowes were a family of note in Romney. William Cliderowe, perhaps a son of the above, sat for Hythe 1449. John

Clederow, Canon of Chichester, Bishop of Bangor 1326, may have sprung from these Romney Cliderowes. The Bishop died at Crayford in Kent 1425-6, and was buried there. William Cliderowe, M.P. for New Romney, was the second husband of Margaret Fraunceys, patroness of the Spital Hospital in the town.

JAMES LOWYS (or LEWIS). "First the costs and expenses of William Cliderow, William Chance, and James Lowys being at Westminster this year at the King's Coronation 4 l. 14s. 7½d."

1414 WILLIAM CLYDEROWE.

JOHN MAFFEY. Andrew Maffey sat for Lewes 1422-3.

1417 WILLIAM CLIDEROWE.

JAMES TIECE.

1419 JOHN ADAM.

RICHARD CLYDEROWE. Elected ten times for Romney. The Richard Clyderowe who was Sheriff of Kent 1402 and 1418, and Knight of the Shire 1406-7, was probably his father.

1420 STEPHEN HARRY. "Rec^d 20^d from the relict of Stephen Harry for a parcel of land of the Commonalty between the walls 1437-8. Amongst the Lydd Records is the following entry: "On the 4th day of March in the 4th year of the reign of King Edward IV., Edward Elys and Richard Harry, feoffees of Stephen Harry, came and promised to give 100^s and more of the money received . . . from the tenements late of the said Stephen unto the Church of Lyde, on condition that the name of the said Stephen should every Sunday be published and prayed for among the other benefactors of the same Church." Members of the family, or men of the same name, sat for Hastings, Seaford, and Winchelsea.

RICHARD CLYDEROWE.

1421 RICHARD CLYDEROWE.

JAMES LOWYS. "To the Barons for the Queen's Coronation 6^l 21^d."

1421 THOMAS SPERWE (SPURWAY).

PETER NUWENE (or NEWENE). One of the Chamberlains of the town in 1415. Dead in 1437.

Henry VI.

1422 RICHARD CLIDEROWE.

- 1422 WILLIAM PIERS, "barbour." He was buried in the Church of St. Laurence, to which Church he left a bequest. Several others of the same name sat for constituencies in the south of England.
- 1423 JOHN ADAM.
RICHARD CLIDEROWE.
- 1425 JAMES LOWYS.
THOMAS SMYTH, "draper."
- 1426 STEPHAN HARRY.
THOMAS SMYTH.
- 1427 JOHN ADAM.
RICHARD STOTHARD (OR STODDARD). "Paid to Thomas Hosyer because he went to Yarmouth in the name of Richard Stothard 3l." Coronation Barons.
- 1431 JOHN ADAM.
JAMES LOWYS. "The *Mill* of James Lowys pays Maltote."
- 1432 THOMAS SMYTH.
WILLIAM WERMYSTON (OR WARMESTONE). He paid 3s. 3d. for "pasture between the walls from Illisbridge to New Romene," 1437. Thomas Warmestone was a benefactor to St. Laurence Church in 1447.
- 1433 Hasted gives the names of JAMES LOTTEBY and JAMES BAMLOND as Members for Romney this year, but I cannot discover on what authority.
- 1435 CLEMENT OVERTON. Bailiff of Romney 9 Henry V.
RICHARD CLYTHEROWE.
- 1442 JAMES LOWYS.
RICHARD CLYTHEROWE.
- 1447 JOHN CHENEW.
RICHARD CLYDEROWE.
- 1449 GEOFFREY GOODLOK. "They answer for 20^d given to the Community by Geoffrey Goodlok out of his wages at the Parliament holden at Westminster."
ROBERT SCRAS (OR SCRASE).
- 1449 JOHN SELLYNGER (ST. LEGER). "The Community owes to John Sellenger for his wages in Parliament at Leicester 4l. 19s." Probably son of John St. Leger of Ulcombe; Sheriff 1431.
ROBERT SCRAS.
- 1450 GEOFFREY GOODLOK.
JOHN CHENEW.

1450 GUY ELYS.

JOHN CHEYNEW.

The returns are missing for the next eight Parliaments, but in the 4th Edward IV. we learn from the Town Records that ROBERT SCRAS was then Member. He was present at the Queen's Coronation in 1464.

Edward IV.

1472 JOHN TUDER (OR TUDOR).

ROBERT SCRAS.

1478 JOHN TUDER.

JOHN CHEYNEW. The following entry is in the Romney Records, 1465: "John Cheynew born at Romnene, free by birth, was admitted to the franchise and sworn on the 17th day of April, in the 6th year of the reign of Edward IV., King of England. He is condemned (*dampnatur*), because publicly before the Jurats and the Commonalty he refused (*refutavit*) his freedom." Mayor of Romney, 1484.

From this Parliament there is only one complete return for more than 70 years, the returns for nearly all the Cinque Ports being equally defective.

Henry VIII.

1516 RICHARD STUPPENY. Probably a son of Robert Stupeny, who was born at Ivychurch and admitted a freeman of Romney, 13 Edw. IV. Richard Stuppeny was born at Kenardington, and was admitted a freeman on the 22 March, 3 Henry VIII., paying nothing for his fine. "Paid Richard Stuppeny the remainder of his wages as Burgess in Parliament last year 38^s 10^d," 1516. The family was for centuries of great consideration in Romney Marsh, the name probably being a corruption of Stokepenny. Richard Stuppeny died in 1526 and was buried in the south aisle of St. Nicholas Church, but his tomb was renewed by his great grandson, Clement Stuppeny, in 1622. For some reason unknown, both at Romney and Lydd, the election of Mayors or Bailiffs was held at the tomb of a member of the Stuppeny family.

1529 RICHARD GYBSON. The following entry occurs in the Town Books, 13 March, 12 Henry VIII.: "Richard Lambarde of

New Romney appeared before Richard Stuppeny the elder, and other Jurats, and James Barrowe a Common Clerk, and acknowledged that he had delivered to Richard Gybsone of Londene, and Sergaunt of the armys of our Soverayng Lord the Kyng, certain tenements, situate in the Parishes of St Nicholas and St Laurence in that town," etc. A John Gibson was M.P. for Thirsk 1521.

- 1529 JOHN BUNTYNG. He was Warden of the Romney Passion Play in 1517. A Stephen Buntyng was Mayor in 1592.

Mary.

- 1554 SIR JOHN GILFORD (OR GULDEFORD). For an account of this celebrated family, see the late Canon Jenkin's paper in *Archæologia Cantiana*, Vol. XIV., pp. 1—17.

SIR WILLIAM TADLOWE. A William Tadlowe (probably father of the above) was deputy-bailiff of the Archbishop of Canterbury and Romney in 1518. A George Tadlowe was Member for Guildford in this reign and for two towns in Cornwall.

RICHARD BUNTING. His name appears as a purchaser of Church goods when St. Martin's Church was pulled down in 1549. He received 5 marks for his expenses in attending the Queen's Coronation.

JOHN CHESEMAN. First Mayor of the Town 1563, and served six times. A Robert Cheseman sat for Middlesex 1542.

GEORGE HOLTON. His name is also included among those who purchased goods from St. Martin's Church.

WILLIAM OXENDEN of Denton in Wingham. He died 1576. Others sat for the County and for Sandwich and Winchelsea. A pedigree of the family is printed in *Archæologia Cantiana*, Vol. VI., p. 277.

- 1555 RICHARD BAKER. Probably a member of the Sissinghurst family, and given in Lambard's list of gentry.

JOHN HERBERT, Esquire.

- 1558 SYMON PADYAN (PATTISON), Gentleman. A John Padyan was farmer for the Jurats for inning the Marshes. A Stephen Padyan represented Winchelsea. There are various spellings of this name.

THOMAS RANDALL, Gentleman. His name is in Lambard's list of gentry 1574.

Elizabeth.

- 1559 JOHN CHESEMAN. Coronation Baron.
 WILLIAM EPPES. Member of an old Romney family. Held land near St. John's Barn. The name is also found at Dover. He was the second Mayor and served seven times. A Thomas Epps was Mayor twice.
- 1563 SIR CHRISTOPHER ALLEYN, Knight, of the Mote, Ightham. Defaulter with others for payment to Rochester Bridge. Knighted in 1553. Is in Lambard's list of gentry. A suspected Papist. His will was proved 1585. (See *Archæologia Cantiana*, Vol. XXIV., p. 197.)
 WILLIAM EPPES, gent.
- 1572 WILLIAM WILCOCKS and EDWARD WILCOCKS, members of an important Romney family. The only instance for this port of two of the same family serving at the same time. Edward Wilcocks was Mayor 1574. There are monuments to the family in St. Nicholas Church. The death of the former during this Parliament caused the first recorded Bye Election here, when
 WILLIAM EPPES, gent., was returned to fill the vacancy.
- 1584 RICHARD WYLLYAMS, gent.
 WILLIAM SOUTHLAND, gent., of Hope. He was Mayor four times. His father died 1567. A monument to his son, Sir William Southland, who died 1638, is in Ickham Church. He was re-elected with ROBERT THURBARNE, gent., who was three times Mayor, an office held by three others of his family. The name is found at Brookland. Philipot says "his ancestors from 1331 have continued very eminent in Romney Marsh."
- 1588 REGINALD SCOTT, Esq. (afterwards knighted), of Scott's Hall, Smeeth. In Lambard's gentry list. Sir John Scott was Warden of the Cinque Ports in 1461; others were Knights of the Shire for Kent, and Members for Hythe, Hastings, Maidstone, Canterbury, Rochester, etc.
 WILLIAM SOUTHLAND, gent. Again.
- 1593 JOHN MINGE, gent. Mayor in 1598 and 1604. The name occurs also at St. Peter's, Thanet, 1597.
 ROBERT BAWLE, gent. Vincent Bawle was Churchwarden at Wilmington, Kent, 1553.
- 1597 GEORGE COPPIN, Esq., probably of Barming. Allied afterwards by marriage to the Osbornes. William Coppyn was

an Annuitant at St. Augustine's, Canterbury, 1556, for which city he was Member 1553. Others of the same name sat for Dunwich and Orford.

- 1597 JAMES THURBARNE, gent. (see 1586). James and John Thurbarne sat for Sandwich.
- 1601 THOMAS LAKE, Esq., of Taywell, Tenterden, Barrister-at-Law, Commissioner to Yarmouth 1588. Sat for Hastings three times. A few years later Sir Thomas Lake was returned for five different constituencies.
- JOHN MINGE, gent. (or MINGEY).

James I.

- 1604 SIR ROBERT REMYNGTON, Bart. Died 1610. The Coronation Baron with
- JOHN PLOMER, gent. Three times Mayor. Died 1615, aged 48. A Monument to him is in Brookland Church. The death of Sir Robert caused the Second Bye Election in
- 1610 WILLIAM BYNGE, gent. In the next Parliament he was returned for Winchelsea. A George Bynge had represented Dover and Rochester a few years earlier.
- 1614 SIR ARTHUR INGRAM, Knight. Possibly he was introduced to the constituency by Richard Ingram, who became Vicar of Romney in 1606. He died in 1646.
- ROBERT WILCOCK (see 1572). Twice Mayor.
- 1621 SIR PETER MANWOOD, Knight of the Bath. Sheriff of Kent at the death of Queen Elizabeth. Son of Sir Roger Manwood. Married to Francis, daughter of Sir Percival Hart. Knight of the Shire for Kent 1614. He presented a Communion Cup to Hackington Church. Others sat for Sandwich and Hastings. Was himself Member for Saltash 1604.
- FRANCIS FETHERSTONE, Esq., doubtless the same as
- 1624 FRANCIS FETHERSTONHAUGH, gent.
- RICHARD GODFREY, gent., third son of Thomas Godfrey of Lydd. He married a daughter of John Moyle. He died 1641, aged 50. Was returned again in

Charles I.

- 1625 SIR EDMUND VARNEY (OR VERNEY), Knt.; Marshal of the Household. He also sat for three Boroughs in Buckinghamshire. He died in 1645. Coronation Baron.
- 1626 THOMAS BRETT, "esq. of London." He was on the list of

suspects in 1656. Also elected for Grimsby, but preferred Romney. His son's monument is in St. Nicholas Church. Four of the family were Mayors. The Member for Old Sarum 1620 was Sir Thomas Brette.

RICHARD GODFREY.

1628 THOMAS BRETT.

THOMAS GODFREY,* Esq., second son of Thomas Godfrey of Lydd. Born 1585. Also for Winchelsea 1614. The father of Sir Edmund Berry Godfrey, whose murder in 1678 created so much excitement. Edward Godfrey was Mayor 1649. He was elected again in

1640 WILLIAM NEELE. A Robert Neele was Vicar of Romney 1467—74.

1640 The Long Parliament.

PHILIP WARWICK. Partisan of the King. Elected also for Radnor Borough, for which he chose to sit. His name is found in the Suspect List. Philipot says he was Clerk to the Signet and Secretary to the King at the Treaty in the Isle of Wight. Disabled to sit for Radnor 1647. As Sir Philip he afterwards sat for Westminster 1661.

SIR NORTON KNATCHBULL, Knt., of Mersham Hatch; son of Thomas Knatchbull. His uncle sat for Hythe. He was on the famous Kent Commission 1642; "a very honest gentleman" (Twysden). Died 1684.

THOMAS WEBB, Esq. (bye election), Warwick choosing Radnor. He was quickly expelled as a Monopolist and in his place came

1641 RICHARD BROWNE, Esq., of Great Chart; cousin to Sir Roger Twysden, who appealed to him at the time of his troubles with the Parliament. The letter he sent in reply is still extant. He was a good friend to Sir Roger. Like most of the Kent Members, he was appointed on the Commission to go into the County *re* the famous Petition.

During the troublesome periods that followed, Romney was not represented; and the next election did not take place till

1659 SIR ROBERT HONYWOOD, Knt., of Pett in Charing and Markshall in Essex. Other Honeywoods sat for Hastings, Hythe, and Canterbury.

* For Thomas Godfrey see *Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica*, First Series, vol. ii., p. 450.

- 1659 LAMBARD GODFREY, Esq., eldest son of Thomas Godfrey of Lydd by his wife Margaret, daughter of William Lambard the Perambulator. Was on the famous Kent Commission for the Parliament. Knight of the Shire for Kent in 1654.

The returns for the next Parliament, 1660, are missing, but according to Hasted the Members were:—

SIR NORTON KNATCHBULL and JOHN KNATCHBULL, Esq.

Then came the Long or Pensionary Parliament of Charles the Second's reign, lasting from 1661 to 1679.

SIR NORTON KNATCHBULL, Bart., sat throughout.

SIR CHARLES BERKELEY, jun., Knt., Governor of Portsmouth, Captain of the King's Guards; Keeper of the Privy Purse to Charles II.; Earl of Falmouth 1664; died 1665. His father Sir Charles Berkeley, sen., Viscount FitzHardinge, Comptroller of the Household, was Member for Heytesbury in this Parliament. He died 1668.

- 1665 HENRY BROUNCHER (BRUNKARD), Esq., vice Sir C. Berkeley. "One of his Royal Highness's Bedchamber;" elected during the time of the Great Plague of London. Other members of the family were at different times returned for constituencies in Wiltshire. He was expelled for contempt of the House. Lord-Broucher was President of the Royal Society 1669—1685.

- 1668 SIR CHARLES SEDLEY, Bart., vice Broucher. Elected eight times and served 26 years. He was the youngest son of Sir John Sedley. "A most accomplished gentleman, one of the most brilliant wits of the Restoration; noted for art and gallantry." An author of no small repute. Father of the Countess of Dorchester, who was so created by James II. He presented two silver-gilt flacons and a cup to St. Nicholas Church. Not returned to the one Parliament of James II. or the Convention Parliament. He died 1701, aged 62. Also again in

- 1679 PAUL BARRETT, Esq. Born 1633; Serjeant-at-Law; Recorder and of Canterbury; knighted afterwards; died 1686; buried 1681 at St. Mary Bredman, Canterbury.

James II.

1685 SIR BENJAMIN BATHURST, Knt. Elected at the same time for Beer Alston, for which he decided to sit. Coronation Baron. The family estates were in the West of England, the North Riding, and the Weald. He died 1704. Launcelot Bathurst was a London Alderman.

SIR WILLIAM GOULSTON, Knt. Coronation Baron. He sat for Bletchingly in the previous Parliament. Richard Goulston was Member for Hertford several times, though petitions against him were frequent.

THOMAS CHUDLEIGH, Esq., vice Bathurst. Of a West of England family.

Convention Parliament of 1690.

JOHN BREWER, Esq. He was elected ten times, and sat for 21 years continuously. He was the first member re-elected to the House under the "Office" Act of 1704. He presented a Communion Cup to St. Nicholas Church.

JAMES CHADWICK, Esq. Member for Dover in the two following Parliaments. Died 1697.

William and Mary.

1690 SIR CHARLES SEDLEY and JOHN BREWER, Esq.

William III.

1695 JOHN BREWER, Esq., again.

SIR WILLIAM TWISDEN, Bart., of East Peckham, son of Sir Roger Twisden, whose pathetic narrative of his persecution by the Parliament is found in Volumes I., II., III., IV. of *Archæologia Cantiana*. Knight of the Shire for Kent 1685. In this Parliament ('95) he was also returned for Appleby, which he preferred. Died 1697.

1696 SIR CHARLES SEDLEY, vice Sir W. Twisden.

1698 and 1701, February. SIR CHARLES SEDLEY and JOHN BREWER, again in

1701 EDWARD GOULSTONE, Esq. Monument to his father in St. Nicholas. Presented a gilt almsplate to the Church as "combaro" 1702.

Anne.

1702 SIR BENJAMIN BATHURST and JOHN BREWER, Esq., again. Coronation Barons.

- 1704 WALTER WHITFIELD, Esq., vice Bathurst, deceased. The Whitfields were an important family of Bethersden, in the Church of which village are several monuments to them.
- 1705 and 1708. JOHN BREWER and WALTER WHITFIELD, Esqs.
- 1707 JOHN BREWER, Esq. Re-elected, after appointment as a Receiver of Prizes November 28.
- 1710 WALTER WHITFIELD, Esq.
ROBERT FURNESE, Esq., of Waldershare. Knighted 1702. He was elected five times, serving 17 years. In 1713 he contributed liberally to the repairs of St. Nicholas Church. He married first in 1714 a daughter of the Earl of Rockingham, and secondly a daughter of Earl Ferrers. In 1727 he was elected Knight of the Shire for Kent. Died 1733. A petition against the election was apparently unsustainable.
- 1713 EDWARD WATSON, Esq. Lord Sondes, eldest son of the first Earl of Rockingham, brother-in-law to Sir Robert Furnese; married Lady Catherine Tufton; sat for Canterbury 1708; died (before his father) 1722, aged 36. See his monument in Sheldwich Church.
- 1713 EDWARD WATSON, Esq., and SIR ROBERT FURNESE.

George I.

- 1715 The same. Coronation Barons.
- 1722 SIR ROBERT FURNESE again and DAVID PAPILLON, Esq., of Acrise, a Commissioner of Excise, son of Philip Papillon, born 1691; married Mary, daughter of Thomas Keyser, Esq.; died 1762. He sat for Dover 1735.

George II.

- 1727 DAVID PAPILLON, Esq. }
JOHN ESSINGTON, Esq. } Coronation Barons. This election was successfully petitioned against, and the two Members unseated. Mr. Essington had twice represented Aylesbury. By order of the House the seats were taken by—
- 1728 SIR ROBERT FURNESE.
SIR ROBERT AUSTEN, Bart. The Baronetcy was created 1660 and he was the 4th Baronet, originally of Sutton and Tenterden, and afterwards of Hales Place, Boxley. He married the sister of Sir Francis Dashwood; and he died 1743 without issue. Other Austens sat for Rye, Winchelsea, and Hastings.

1728 DAVID PAPILLON, Esq., vice Sir Robert Furnese, who chose to sit for the County of Kent.

1734 STEPHEN BISSE, Esq. He sat for Bedwin 1715; belonged to a family with Parliamentary influence in the West. It is a coincidence that for Heytesbury in 1625 Sir Charles Barkly and Edwd. Bisse were returned; names afterwards connected with this port.

DAVID PAPILLON, Esq. Petitioned against, but withdrawn.

1736 SIR ROBERT AUSTEN, vice Papillon, who elected to serve for Dover.

1741, 1747, 1754. Three Parliaments.

SIR FRANCIS DASHWOOD, Bart. The Baronetcy was created 1684, and the first Baronet was M.P. for Winchelsea. Sir Francis as Member for Weymouth became Chancellor of the Exchequer under Lord Bute 1762; and the next year was called to the Upper House as Baron Le Despenser. He was brother-in-law to Sir Robert Austen. Others of the family were in Parliament at different times. His Mother was sister of the Earl of Westmorland.

1755 HENRY FURNESE, Esq., sat for 20 years. He represented Dover 1720, 1722, 1727, and Morpeth 1734. Died 1756. He was re-elected on accepting the office of a Lord Commissioner of the Treasury.

1756 ROSE FULLER, Esq., of Rose Hill, near Battle; vice Furnese, deceased. Sat for Maidstone 1761, and Rye 1768, 1774; a relative of the eccentric John Fuller, Member for Sussex, "the patron of arts and sciences." Died 1777.

George III.

1761 EDWARD DERING, Esq., of Surrenden, succeeded his father in the Baronetcy in 1762. Elected five times, and served 22 years. Married first Selina, daughter and coheir of Sir Roger Furnese, and secondly Deborah, daughter of John Winchester. Died 1798, aged 66. The family was closely connected with Romney and the Marsh.

THOMAS KNIGHT, JUNR., Esq., of Godmersham; sat for Kent 1774. Married Catherine daughter of Dr. Wadham Knatchbull. Died 1794.

Coronation Barons—

1768 SIR EDWARD DERING.

- 1768 RICHARD JACKSON, Esq., sat for sixteen years; had previously been M.P. for Weymouth for six years. Was afterwards for a short time a Lord Commissioner of the Treasury.
- 1770 JOHN MORTON, Esq., vice Sir E. Dering, who resigned, accepting the Stewardship of the Chiltern Hundreds. He sat for Abingdon twenty-three years, but was unseated one month before his election here.
- 1774 and 1780 SIR EDWARD DERING and RICHARD JACKSON, Esq.
- 1782 RICHARD JACKSON, Esq., re-elected on accepting office.
- 1784 SIR EDWARD DERING.
 JOHN SMITH, Esq., of Draper's Hill, London. Member for two months only.
 RICHARD ATKINSON, Esq., vice Smith, resigned; of Fenchurch Street, London. He was unsuccessful for the City of London by nine votes only a month before. He died in the year following his election.
- 1785 JOHN HENNIKER, Esq., of Lincoln's Inn, vice Atkinson, deceased. He sat for Sudbury 1761, and Dover 1774 and 1780.
- 1787 RICHARD JOSEPH SULLIVAN, Esq., of Cleveland Row, St. James's, London, and Thames Ditton, Surrey, vice Sir E. Dering, who for a second time resigned, accepting the Stewardship of the Manor of East Hendred. Elected for Seaford 1802; a Baronet 1804; died 1806. Sat again for Romney in
- 1790 SIR ELIJAH IMPEY, Knt. Schoolfellow of Warren Hastings; Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Calcutta. Disagreed with Hastings while in India. Recalled 1784.
- 1796 JOHN FORDYCE, Esq., of Ayton, Berwickshire. He was returned for Berwick 1802, but unseated.
 JOHN WILLETT WILLETT, Esq., of Merly, Dorsetshire. He was returned again in
- 1802 and MANASSEH LOPES, Esq., of Maristowe House, Devonshire. Several others of this family were sent to Parliament, but all for the West of England.
- 1806 WILLIAM WINDHAM, Esq., of Felbrigg, Norfolk, Privy Councillor, Secretary of State for War. Had previously sat for Norwich, St. Mawes, and Norfolk; for the last he was unseated 1806; a man "of unstained honour, pure

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- life, and high accomplishments." M.P. for Higham Ferrers 1807. Died 1810.
- 1806 JOHN PERRING, Esq. An Alderman and Banker of London; created a Baronet in 1808; M.P. for Hythe in the next three Parliaments.
- 1807 THOMAS SCOTT, Esq., "Earl of Clonmel of the Kingdom of Ireland."
 GEORGE ASHBURNHAM, Esq., of Ashburnham House, Sussex; afterwards third Earl of Ashburnham, K.G., F.S.A.
- 1812 WILLIAM MITFORD, Esq., of Exbury, Hampshire. He had previously represented Newport (Cornwall) and Beer-alston; for the latter he sat with Sir John Mitford, Solicitor General, Speaker of the House, and finally Baron Redesdale.
 SIR JOHN THOMAS DUCKWORTH, Knight of the Bath and Admiral of the Blue. He was re-elected after resigning and accepting the Stewardship of the Chiltern Hundreds in 1813.
- 1817 CHOLMELEY DERING, Esq., of Cavendish Square, Middlesex, son of Sir Edward Dering of Surrenden, Bart., vice Sir John Duckworth, deceased. Colonel of the New Romney Light Fencibles.
- 1818 ANDREW STRAHAN, Esq., of Ashurst Lodge, Surrey, the King's printer. Had previously sat for Newport, Wareham, Carlow, and Aldeburgh.
 RICHARD ERLE DRAX GROSVENOR, Esq., of Charborough Park, Blandford, Dorsetshire, son of Thomas Grosvenor. He assumed the additional name of Drax upon his marriage with Sarah Frances, daughter and heiress of Edward Drax, Esq., of Charborough. He previously sat for Clitheroe and Chester. Others of the family for the Cheshire Districts. He died a few months after his election, when his son was returned in
- 1819 RICHARD EDWARD ERLE DRAX GROSVENOR. Also again in

George IV.

- 1820 with GEORGE HAY DAWKINS PENNANT, Esq., of Penrhyn Castle, Carnarvonshire. Married Elizabeth Bouverie, a niece of the Earl of Radnor. He sat for Newark in 1814, and was returned again for this Port in

1826 with GEORGE WILLIAM TAPPS, Esq., of Hinton Admiral, Christchurch, Hants. In 1833 and 1835 he sat for Christchurch, when he was described as "of Barton in the parish of Milton and of East Close." In the "Gazette," 8 December 1835, he is described as Sir George William Tapps Gervis.

William IV.

1830 ARTHUR TREVOR, Esq., of Whittlebury House, Northamptonshire, and of Wicken Park. He accepted the Chiltern Hundreds within a year, but sat afterwards for Durham.

WILLIAM MILES, Esq., of Beesthorpe Hall, Nottinghamshire. There were several of this name in Parliament for Wiltshire. Coronation Barons.

1831 SIR ROGER GREISLEY, Bart., of Drakelowe Hall, Derbyshire, vice Trevor resigned. The Baronetcy was created 1611. He had sat just previously for Durham—where his election was declared void—and afterwards for South Derbyshire. Sir Roger sat for Romney exactly one month, when Parliament was dissolved.

This was the last Bye-Election.

1831 SIR EDWARD CHOLMELEY DERING, Bart., of Surrenden, Dering, Kent. Formerly Member for Wexford, and afterwards for East Kent.

WILLIAM MILES, Esq. This was the last election for the Borough; the return is dated May 29th, 1831.

BARONS IN PARLIAMENT FOR THE CINQUE PORT OF NEW ROMNEY,
ARRANGED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER, GIVING THE DATE OF THE
FIRST RETURN AND THE NUMBER OF TIMES ELECTED.

Adam, John	1377	2	Berkeley, Sir Chas. ..	1661	..
Adam, John (2)	1410	6	Bisse, Stephen	1734	..
Alleyn, Sir Christopher ..	1563	..	Brett, Thomas	1626	2
Ashburnham, Geo.	1807	..	Brewer, John	1689	10
Atkinson, Richard	1784	..	Brouncher, Henry	1666	..
Austen, Sir Robert	1728	2	Browne, Richard	1641	..
Baker, Richard	1555	..	Buntynge, John	1529	..
Bamford, James	1433	..	Buntynge, Richard	1554	..
Barrett, Paul	1679	3	Bynge, William	1610	..
Bathurst, Sir Benj.	1685	2	Chadwick, James	1689	..
Bawle, Robert	1593	..	Chenew, John	1447	3

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Cheseman, John	1554	2	Lopes, Manasseh	1802	..
Cheynewe, John (2).. ..	1478	..	Lotteby, James	1433	..
Childe, William	1377	5	Lowys, James	1413	5
Chudleigh, Thomas	1685	..	Lunceford, John	1410	2
Clerk, Simon	1383	..	Lunsford, Simon	1386	..
Cliderowe, William	1413	3	Maffey, John	1414	..
Clyderowe, Richard	1419	10	Manwood, Sir Peter	1621	..
Colebrond, James	1366	..	Miles, William	1830	2
Colebrond, John	1372	2	Minge, John	1593	2
Colyn, Andrew	1382	2	Mitford, William	1812	..
Coppyn, George	1597	..	Morton, John	1770	..
Dashwood, Sir Francis	1741	3	Neele, Richard	1640	..
Dering, Sir Edward	1761	5	Nuwene, John	1378	..
Dering, Cholmeley	1817	..	Nuwene, Peter	1421	..
Dering, Sir Edw. Cholmeley	1831	..	Overton, Clement	1435	2
Dod, Roger	1378	..	Oxenden, William	1554	..
Duckworth, Sir John	1812	2	Padyan, Simon	1558	..
Elys, John	1385	3	Papillon, David	1722	4
Elys, Guido	1453	..	Pennant, Geo. Hay D.	1820	2
Eppes, William	1559	3	Perring, John	1806	..
Essington, John	1727	..	Piers, William	1422	..
Fetherstonhaugh, Frcs.	1621	2	Plomer, John	1604	..
Fordeye, John	1796	..	Randall, Thomas	1558	..
Franceys, John	1366	..	Remyngton, Sir Robert..	1604	..
Frewen, William	1690	..	Roger, John	1407	..
Fuller, Rose	1756	..	Roggyer, Hugh	1373	..
Furnese, Sir Robert	1710	5	Rokyslee, Thomas	1406	..
Furnese, Henry	1741	4	Salerne, John	1388	2
Gardynier, John	1395	2	Scott, Reginald	1588	..
Geffee, Robert	1397	3	Scott, Thomas	1807	..
Gilford, Sir John	1554	..	Scras, Robert	1449	3
Godfrey, Richard	1624	3	Sedley, Sir Chas.	1668	8
Godfrey, Thomas	1628	2	Sefrod, William	1384	..
Godfrey, Lambard	1659	..	Sellynger, John	1449	..
Goldsmith, Hugh	1377	..	Sherte, Brice	1407	..
Goodok, Jeffrey	1449	2	Smith, John	1784	..
Goulston, Sir Wlm.	1685	..	Smyth, Thomas	1425	3
Goulstone, Edward	1701	..	Sondes, Lord Edwd.	1705	3
Greisley, Sir Roger	1831	..	Southland, William	1584	3
Grosvenor, R. E. D.	1818	..	Sperwe, Thomas	1421	..
Grosvenor, R. E. E. D.	1819	2	Stothard, Richard	1427	..
Gwode, Simon	1382	..	Strahan, Andrew	1818	..
Gybson, Richard	1529	..	Stuppeny, Richard	1516	..
Harry, Stephen	1420	2	Sullivan, Rchd. Joseph	1787	2
Henniker, John	1785	..	Tadlowe, Sir William	1554	..
Herbert, John	1555	..	Talbot, John	1399	..
Holton, George	1554	..	Tapps, Geo. William	1826	..
Holyngbroke, William	1368	6	Thurbarne, Robert	1586	..
Holyngbroke, William (2)	1381	4	Thurbarne, James	1597	..
Honywood, Sir Robert	1659	..	Tiece, John, junr.	1368	..
Huchon, Edmund	1382	..	Tiece, James	1383	4
Inpey, Sir Elijah	1790	..	Trevor, Arthur	1830	..
Ingram, Sir Arthur	1614	..	Tuder, John	1472	2
Ive, John	1390	2	Twisden, Sir Wlm.	1695	..
Jackson, Richard	1768	4	Varney, Sir Edmund	1625	..
Knatchbull, Sir Norton	1640	3	Warwick, Philip	1640	..
Knatchbull, John	1660	..	Watson, Edward	1713	2
Knight, Thomas, junr.	1761	..	Webb, Thomas	1640	..
Lake, Thomas	1601	..	Wermyston, William	1432	..
Lewes, Henry	1372	..	Whitfield, Walter	1704	4

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Wilcocks, William	1572	..	1394	1455	1497
Wilcocks, Edwd.	1572	..	1398	1459	1510
Wilcocks, Robert	1614	..	1399	1460	1512
Willett, John Willett ..	1796	2	1401	1461	1515
Windham, William	1806	..	1402	1463	1523
Wode, John atte	1377	..	1408	1467	1536
Wylyams, Richard	1584	..	1404	1469	1539
Yon, John	1397	..	1411	1470	1542
			1413	1483	1547
			1414	1484	1553
PARLIAMENTS, THE RETURNS FOR			1415	1485	1653
WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN FOUND.			1416	1487	1654
1369	1379	1384	1416	1491	1656
1371	1380	1390	1439	1495	1659
1376	1380	1392	1445		