

NOTES FROM THE CHARTULARY OF THE ABBEY  
OF ST. BERTIN.

IN the 'Archæologia,' vol. xxv., are printed three charters of grants of the churches of Throwley and Chilham to the abbey of St. Bertin, at St. Omer, in France, of which the alien priory of Throwley was a Cell. These documents were communicated by Sir Thomas Phillips, who states, that during the French Revolution, the brotherhood of the abbey, hoping that the fury of the revolutionary spirit would soon be spent, endeavoured to secure their muniments by sending them to the abbey of St. Jesse, to be buried under the walls there; that on the sale of monastic lands, the purchaser of this abbey of St. Jesse, in excavating the foundations for the erection of a house, discovered a box containing these muniments; and that the whole of the collection was purchased at Calais from the son of the discoverer, who furnished Sir Thomas Phillips with the account above given.

On reading this statement in the year 1836, we at once started for St. Omer, in the hopes of discovering further traces of these treasures. We were unable to find a fragment of the originals, but were well pleased at discovering in the public library there an extensive chartulary, which had fortunately been compiled a few years before the outbreak of the Revolution. It consists of ten volumes in folio, entitled—

“Le Grand Cartulaire, ou recueil général et chrono-

logique des chartes et titres de l'Abbaye de S<sup>t</sup> Bertin ; depuis sa fondation, faite par Adroald en 648, dans la onzième année du règne de Clovis II, roi de France, jusqu'en 1200,<sup>1</sup> inclusivement. Le tout tiré et copié sur les originaux mêmes, reposans aux archives de la dite abbaye, et à leur défaut, sur les Cartulaires de Folquin, Simon, Tassart et autres anciens écrivains de l'Abbaye de S<sup>t</sup> Bertin. 1775."

The seals, many of them very elaborate and interesting, are tricked in pen and ink.

Finding that a *literatim* transcript of all the entire charters relating to Kent would occupy more time than we could devote to this work, we limited ourselves to a *précis*, copying therein, scrupulously, every name without exception, and every sentence that, in its remotest bearing, could be of importance ; we omitted, in fact, none but words of mere form, and not a single charter was passed unnoticed.

They contain much that is new in illustrating the history of the alien priory of Throwley and the parishes to which they relate, and add many links to the pedigrees of our ancient Kent magnates. We therefore deem them of sufficient interest to print in our 'Archæologia,' at the same time assuring our readers that not a word of the slightest importance has been omitted in our *précis*. The dates assigned to some of the Charters, and the consequent order observed in their insertion in the Chartulary, are, in some instances, apparently erroneous ; in these cases we have ventured to insert them in that which we believe to be their proper order, as we have noted in passing. The first charter relating to Kent is the grant of the church of Chilham to the abbey of St. Bertin.

<sup>1</sup> This date only refers to vol. i. ; probably copied from an earlier chartulary.

## I.—(circiter A.D. 1140.)

[*Hugo de Chilham, son of Fulbert de Dover, for the souls of himself, his father Fulbert, his mother Adelit, and his relations, and of Matilda his wife, grants the Church of Chilham to the Church of St. Bertin, by the hands of Leonius, the abbot thereof, in perpetual alms, to find two priests, capellans, to serve in the said church. If unfit ones be found, the archbishop, the abbot, and himself to correct it. If any monks seek hospitality from him, they shall be lodged in the abbot's house, and have straw there, but no provisions for themselves or their horses.*]

[In the margin: "43, le B. 172. 1140, circiter. Donatio ecclesie de Chilleham ecclesie S<sup>c</sup>i Bertini."]

HUGO DE CHILHAM, filius FULBERTI DE DOFORA,<sup>1</sup> concessi et dedi pro salute anime mee et patris mei FULBERTI, et matris mee ADELIT, et parentum meorum, et MATILDE uxoris mee, etc. etc., ecclesie beati BERTINI, per manum LEONII ejusdem loci abbatis, ecclesiam de CHILHAM, cum omnibus pertinentiis, etc., in perpetuam elemosinam, etc.; ita quod ecclesie predictae duo presbiteri, capellani, more solito, deserviant: Si vero capellani idem non idonei inventi fuerint, consilio Archiepiscopi, et nostro corrigetur. Insuper, religiosi quique, qui ad me, hospitalitatis causa, declinaverint, in domo abbatis hospitabuntur, et in ea tantummodo paleas accipiant; cetera omnia victualia, tam equis quam hominibus, a domo non recipiant.

Testibus hiis.—Silvestro, beati Augustini Abbate; Willelmus, Priore Sancti Augustini; Petro, Canonico Sancte Marie Taruanensis;<sup>2</sup> Willelmo Cade;<sup>3</sup> Helya de Chilleham; Matilde, uxore mea; Radulpho, filio Willelmi; Willelmo et Johanne, fratribus ejus, nepotibus meis; Baldewino de Stura; Gaufrido de Ticheseia; Gulielmo de Eslinges; Arnaldo de Bolonia.

<sup>1</sup> In Domesday Book, "Fulbert" is entered as holding Chilham of the Bishop of Baieux. On the Bishop's forfeiture, and the creation of the Barony of Fobert, as one of the eight lordships constituting the Constabulary of Dover Castle, the King granted Chilham, as part of that Barony, to Fulbert. This Barony consisted of fifteen knight's-fees, (Chilham furnishing two,) and was held *in capite* by the service of ward of Dover Castle for twenty weeks in the year. Though the honour of Chilham was the "Caput Baronie," yet he and his descendants were generally styled "De Dover," as in most of these charters; though sometimes called "De Chilham."

<sup>2</sup> *i.e.* Therouenne.

<sup>3</sup> In Pipe Roll, 1 & 2 H. 2, William Cade renders account for Dover; perhaps he was "Præpositus" there.

[Seal, as etched in the MS., a knight armed and mounted.  
"Sigillum Hugonis filii Fulberti de Dovvwe."]

"Ex originali in theca Angleterre. N° 1; 1° loco."

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II.—(*circiter* A.D. 1153.)

[*William de Ipra*<sup>1</sup> grants the Churches of Chilham and Throwley to the Church of St. Bertin, in perpetual alms, by the hands of Theobald, Archbishop of Canterbury, The Abbot and Convent of St. Bertin to be in future the sole patrons.]

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 288. In the margin, "155, 198; circiter 1153. Donatio Willelmi de Ipra ecclesiarum Trullega et Chilleham."]

Universis, etc. etc. WILLELMUS DE IPRA, etc. etc., concessi duas ecclesias, de *Chilham*, videlicet, et de *Trullega*, que mei juris erant, in perpetuam elemosinam, per manum domini THEOBALDI, Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi, ecclesie beati Bertini, etc. etc., ita etiam quod quicumque de cetero predictas possiderit ecclesias, nomine ecclesie Beati Bertini et monachorum, eas, cum omnibus appenditiis suis possidebit. Valete.

[Seal, as etched in the MS., a knight armed and mounted.  
"Sigillam Willelmi de Ipra."]

"Ex originali in theca Angleterre. N° 1; 2° loco."

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III.—(*circiter* A.D. 1153.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 288. In the margin, "199; circiter 1153."]

STEPHEN, King of England, confirms the Charter No. II., that the said Church and monks may have the said Churches "cum terris et decimis," etc.

Witnesses: Richard, Bishop of London, and Robert, Bishop of Lincoln, "et Coñ Siñ et W. Martt. apud Londinum."

[The great Seal of Stephen, etched.]

"Ex originali in theca Angleterre. N° 1; 3° loco."

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<sup>1</sup> He was Earl of Kent, and the most powerful of Stephen's supporters against the Empress. We have no record how De Ipra became possessed of these churches. Probably, during the troubled reign of Stephen, the manors were seized by the Crown and granted thence to him,—returning to their right owners on his retirement from England.

IV.—(*circiter* A.D. 1153.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 290. In the margin, "200; circiter 1153."]

THEOBALDUS, Archbishop of Canterbury, etc., and Apostolic Legate, to ROGBERT, Archdeacon of Canterbury, etc., at the request of William de Ipra, confirms the Church of Throwley (*Trullega*) "cum terris et decimis et capellis et omnibus, etc.; salvis tamen per omnia episcopalibus ad ecclesiam Cantuariensem pertinentibus, consuetudinibus, etc."

Witnesses: Richard, Bishop of London; Walter, Bishop of Rochester; and Rogbert, Archdeacon of Canterbury; and Philip the Precentor (*cantore apud Cantuariam*).

[The official Seal of the Archbishop, etched. "Sigillum Theobaldi, Dei gracia archiepiscopi Cantuariensis."]

"Ex originali, etc. N<sup>o</sup> 1; 4<sup>o</sup> loco."

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V.—(*circiter* A.D. 1153.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 292. In margin, "202; circiter 1153. Anastasius iiij confirmat."]

Pope ANASTASIUS IV. to Leo, Abbot of St. Bertin, etc. etc., confirms the Churches of Throwley (*Trullega*) and Chilham. Dated "Laterani, xv Kalendas Decembris."

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VI.—(*circiter* A.D. 1155.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 300. In margin, "160, 205, 1155; Adrianus, Papa iiij, confirmat, etc."]

Pope Adrian IV. confirms the above grants. Dated "Beneventi, vi Kalendas Februarii."

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## VII.—(circiter A.D. 1160.)

[*Hugh, son of Reginald de Bynges Vode, for two shillings and fourpence, releases to brother Hugh and the Convent of St. Bertin an annual rent-charge of twopence, which they used to pay to him out of three virgates of wood near his house, between his wood and that of William Scot; a rent of an apple at Michaelmas reserved.*]

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 311. In margin, "43 le B. Leon. 213; circiter 1160."]

Hugo filius REGINALDI de BYNGES VODE, dedi, etc. etc. etc., "Fratrī Hugonī et Conventui Sancti Bertini, quatuor denarios redditus mei, quos mihi domus de Trulega annuatim consuevit ferre, de tribus virgatis bosci, cum pertinentiis, etc., jacentibus juxta domum meam, versus Orientem, inter boscum Willelmi Scotici<sup>1</sup> et boscum meum qui est versus occidentem," etc., rendering to me "unum pomum de Forisgabulo,<sup>2</sup> ad festum Sancti Michaelis, qualiscunque sit speciei, pro omnibus secularibus demandis," etc.

For this demise, brother Hugo, "procurator<sup>1</sup> de Trulega," has given me two shillings and fourpence.

Witnesses: Willelmo de Ladane,<sup>2</sup> Stephano de Binges Voden, Willelmo de Byngesvoden, Willelmo de Sconeheld, Nicholao de Ecclesia, Jacobo filio Fabri, Johanne de Cruce, Virgilio Mercatore, Roberto de Thalamo, Henrico filio Samelin, Ricardo de Vanella, Willelmo Flandrensi.

[Seal, as etched, a Star. "S. HUGONIS de BARUN."]

"Ex originali, etc. N<sup>o</sup> 2; 1<sup>o</sup> loco."

Reginald de Bynges Vode =

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Hugh [de Barun]

<sup>1</sup> i.e. William Scot.

<sup>2</sup> "Forisgabulum," almost literally "Quit Rent."

<sup>3</sup> In these alien cells were generally located foreign monks, sent over from the Superior Abbey with a Priest, who was little more than a Proctor or Steward, to manage the affairs for their foreign Head. Of this class, probably, was "Hugo Procurator de Trulega," to whom, in that capacity, with the Convent of St. Bertin, the grant is made.

<sup>4</sup> Probably William de la Dene. It must be remembered that the names throughout these charters are written as deciphered by a foreign scribe. Some latitude, therefore, must be allowed in attempting to recognize those of our ancient families. We write them as they stand in the Chartulary, but the palpable errors in official titles, as well as in names, are very numerous.

VIII.—(*circiter* A.D. 1165.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 332. In margin, "174, 44. Godescalque. 223; circiter 1165. Henricus ij confirmat," etc.]

HENRICUS REX. Letters patent to HAMO DE TRULEA, to permit the Abbot of St. Bertin to hold peaceably his Church of Trulea, etc.; "et nisi feceris, Thomas, Archiepiscopus Cantuariensis, fecerit."

Tested at Rochester.

[The great Seal of Henry II., etched.]

"Ex originali, etc. N° 2; 2° loco."

IX.—(*circiter* 1165.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 332. In margin, "1165, circiter. 175, 224. S. Thomas, etc., confirmat, etc."]

THOMAS, Archbishop of Canterbury, etc., confirms to the Abbey of St. Bertin the Church of Throwley (*Trullega*) as granted to them by WILLIAM DE IPRA, the patron thereof, and confirmed by Archbishop THEOBALD.

Witnesses: Baldewino de Bolonia, Norwico Archidiacono; Silvestro Thesaurario Lixoniensi; Theoldo, Canonico Sancti Martini; Roberto, Canonico Meritone; Magistro Herberto; Magistro Lombardo; Magistro Ernulfo; Gunterio; Ricardo de Sañ, capellano; Alexandro Walensi, etc.

[Archbishop Becket's Seal, etched, "Tomas Dei gratia Cantuariensis Archiepiscopo." Counterseal, do., "Sigillum Tome Lund."]

"Ex originali, etc. N° 3."

X.—(*circiter* 1165.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 332. In margin, "1165, circiter. 225."]

THOMAS, Archbishop of Canterbury; a similar confirmation of the grant of the Church of CHILHAM.

"Ex originali. N° 4; 1° loco."

XI.—(inter A.D. 1162 et A.D. 1165.)<sup>4</sup>

[*Hamundus (Hamo), son of Herefred, with his wife Matilda, and his sons and daughters, on petition of the monk Marsilius, grant to the Abbot Goddescalc, and the monks of the Church of St. Bertin, for the souls of myself and my wife Mabilia, and my relations, the Church of Throwley, in perpetual alms.*]

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 338. In margin, "44 Godescalque. Circiter 1167. 229, 179. Hamundus filius Herefredi ordinat anniversarium suum."]

HAMUNDUS,<sup>1</sup> filius HEREFREDI,<sup>2</sup> cum uxore mea MATILDE, filiisque meis et filiabus; pariterque petitione karissimi nostri Marsilii monachi, concessi et dedi Abbati GODDESCALCO, et monachis ecclesie SANCTI BERTINI, pro salute anime mee, et uxoris mee MABILIE,<sup>3</sup> et parentum meorum, ecclesiam de THROULEGE, in elemosinam, etc., perpetue possidendam, etc. etc.

Witnesses: Clarembaldus, Abbas de Faversham; Normanus, Monachus ejus; Nicholaus, Decanus; Magister Osbertus; Hamo, Presbyter de Trullega; Ædmundus, Presbyter de Chilleham; Willelmus filius Alexandri; Thomas, Clericus; Karolus, Clericus; Willelmus, Clericus de Chilleham; Hugo,<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> This grant, as printed by Sir Thomas Phillips, has the endorsement, "Karta Haymonis de Truleia; primum donum."

<sup>2</sup> In Domesday Book, Throwley is entered as held of the Bishop of Baieux by "Herefridus." On the Bishop's forfeiture it was granted to William de Peverel, to be held *in capite* of the King, being part of the Barony of Peverel, one of the eight lordships constituting the Constabulary of Dover Castle. This barony consisted of fourteen and a quarter knights' fees, Throwley furnishing three of them. The service was, ward of Dover Castle for one month in the year. This William, according to Dugdale, was succeeded by his son William, from whom the barony escheated to the King, 2 Hen. I. By Nos. II., III., IV., V., and IX. it would seem that William de Ipra held it *t. St.*, with reference to which see foot-note to No. II. In a subsequent charter, No. XXII., (A.D. 1220) it will be seen that Hamo de Gatton was then Lord of Throwley, and held this barony, and that he was apparently grandson of the Hamundus in the text above. We have been unable to discover any Record, when or to whom the grant of this Lordship was made, after the escheat of Peverel; probably it was to the direct ancestor of this Hamundus.

<sup>3</sup> She is called in the Grant both Matilda and Mabilia. It is *possible* that Mabile, for whose soul prayers are to be made, may have been a former wife. According to the Close Rolls, Hamo de Gatton left a widow named Beatrice.

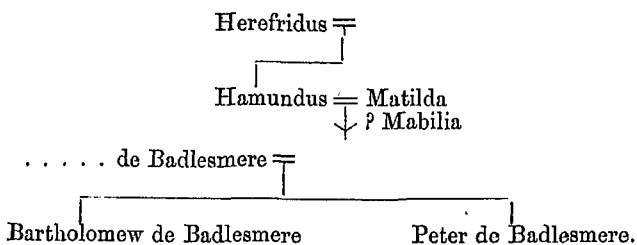
<sup>4</sup> By the Pipe Rolls, it appears that Hugh de Dover was Sheriff of Kent from 8th to 11th Hen. II., which will help us in deciding the date of this grant. He was son of Fulbert de Dover.



Vicecomes de Chent; Bartholomeus de Badlesmere; Petrus, frater ejus; Clemens de Serinlinge; Osbertus de Hucham; Gilebertus, Camerarius Vicecomitis; Daniel de Sillingehall.<sup>1</sup>

[Seal, as etched, an armed knight, mounted. "Sigillum Hamundi filium Herefredi."]

"Ex originali, etc. N° 4; 2° loco."



## XII.—(circa A.D. 1175.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 364. In margin, "44 Godescalque. 189, 1° 248, circiter 1175."]

RICHARD, Archbishop of Canterbury, confirms the confirmation charters of his predecessors, THEOBALD and ST. THOMAS, of the grant to the Abbey of St. Bertin of the Church of THROWLEY, with the chapels thereto belonging, that of LEVELANDE being specifically named as one ("ecclesiam de Trulegha, cum capellis ad eam pertinentibus, quarum unam, scilicet de LEVELANDE, nominatim duximus exprimendam").

Witnesses: Magistro Venerabili Water, Baiocensi Archidiacono; Magistro Petro Blesē; Willelmo de Norhast; Radulfo de Wingeam; Henrico Baioce Canonico; Radulfo de Sancto Martino; Amicio, Clerico; Rogerio, elemosinario; Roberto de Bavento; Magistro Johanne Douf; Willelmo Beiuino; Willelmo de Sotindona, etc.

[The Archbishop's Seal and Counterseal, etched. The same as in 'Archæologia Cantiana,' Vol. II. p. 41.]

"Ex originali in theca, etc. N° 4; 4° loco."

<sup>1</sup> *i.e.* Shillingheld, a manor in the honour of Chilham.

## XIII.—(circiter A.D. 1175.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 365. In margin, "249; circiter 1175.]"

RICHARD, Archbishop of Canterbury, confirms to the Abbey of St. Bertin the Church of CHILHAM.

Witnesses: Benedicto, Abbate de Burgo; Waltero, Archidiacono Baiocensi; Magistro Roberto de Inglessham; Henrico, Baiocensi; Willelmo de Vallibus; Rogero Norwicensi, etc.

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4; 3<sup>o</sup> loco."

## XIV.—(A.D. 1176.)

[Act registered by Symon, Abbot of St. Bertin, viz. that Henry de Insula had endeavoured to withdraw himself from the parochial jurisdiction of the Church of Throwley; that a controversy had thence arisen between the Church of St. Bertin and the said Henry, who, abjuring his wrongdoing, with his wife Margaret and heirs, in the Chapter at Canterbury, before Herbert the Archdeacon, and Master William, of St. Faith's, acknowledge themselves parishioners of the said Church of St. Michael, Throwley, and that they faithfully owe to the said Church all tithes renewing on their property. This is done, that themselves and their relations may be in the good works and prayers of the said Church of St. Bertin, and that the day of their obits be kept as of one of the congregation of the said Church. Moreover, in covenant of perpetual peace, the said Henry shall send one of his sons across the sea to the Abbot for education, and, after three or four years, to be made a monk, if he so will it. Done in the year of our Lord 1176, at Canterbury, in the presence of Herbert the Archdeacon; confirmed by his hand, the whole Chapter of Ospringe being eyewitnesses, Master William, of St. Faith, assisting; Abbot Godescalc, of pious memory, my predecessor, then presiding in the Church of St. Bertin.]

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 374. In margin, "45 Simon ij, 192. 1176. 256."]

SYMON, etc., Abbot of St. BERTIN, etc.

Whereas, etc., "HENRICUS DE INSULA a parochiali jurisdictione ecclesie de TRUDLEGA se niteretur subtrahere, et ob id, inter ecclesiam SANCTI BERTINI, ad cujus titulum memorata parochia pertinere dinoscitur, et eundem HENRICUM, controversia diutius verteretur, tandem, abdicata injuria sua, tam ipse HENRICUS, quam uxor ejus MARGARETA, atque heredes ipsorum, Cantuarie, in capitulo presbyterorum, assistente HERBERTO, Archidiacono Cantuariensi, ac Magistro WILLELMO de SANCTA FIDE, se parochianos esse predicte ecclesie Sancti Michaelis de TRUDLEGA, recogoverunt, ac decimas, tam frugum quam nutri-

mentorum, et aliarum omnium rerum suarum, que eis renovantur in anno, eidem ecclesie fideliter debere : Hoc autem ea ratione factum est, ut tam ipsi, quam parentes eorum; in beneficiis et orationibus sint ecclesie beati Bertini, et ut dies obitus memorati HENRICI, et uxoris ejus MARGARETE, anniversarius, quando evenerit, sicut unius fratris congregationis predictae ecclesie, in regula annotetur. Insuper etiam, in federe perpetue pacis, prefatus HENRICUS unum de filiis suis puerum, trans mare, Abbati mittet, qui, videlicet, puer, litteris instructus, ac ceteris vite necessariis, per Abbatem, diligenter educatus, post tres aut quatuor annos, si voluerit, Monachus efficietur.

Acta sunt hec, anno domini mclxxvi, CANTUARIE, in ecclesia Sancte Marie, presente HERBERTO, Archidiacono, et per manum ipsius confirmata, in conspectu etiam totius Capituli de HOSPRINGE, assistente Magistro WILLELMO DE SANCTA FIDE, etc. etc., presidente in ecclesia beati BERTINI predecessore meo pie memorie GODESCALCO Abbate."

[Seal, as etched, an armed knight mounted. "Sigillum Henrici de Insula." Also, the Seal of the Abbey of St. Bertin.]

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4."

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| Henry de Insula | = | Margaret. |
| 1176.           |   | 1176.     |
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XV.—(circiter A.D. 1180.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 411. In margin, "45 Simon ij, 288, circiter 1180.—Colbertus de Doura confirmat, etc."]

FOBERTUS, filius JOHANNIS DE DOURA, etc.

Whereas HUGO DE DOURA, "avunculus patris mei," gave the Church of CHILHAM to the Abbot and Monks of ST. BERTIN, in perpetual alms, and confirmed to them in this form (reciting No. I. p. 205, *supra*).

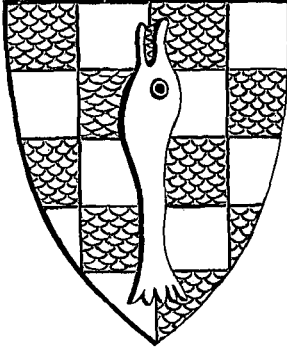
Therefore, to avoid all injury, I, as legitimate heir, ratify the above grant, etc.

Witnesses: Gaufrido, Priore Cantuariensi; Magistre Everardo, Vice-Archidiacono; Radulfo de Haslinges;<sup>1</sup> Ricardo filio Radulfi; Manasserio de Hastings; Johanne de Suilinghoude;<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Probably for Eslinges.

<sup>2</sup> *i. e.* Shillinghelde.

Willelmo de Hucham ; Petro de Chilleham ; Johanne de Herste ; Stephano de Ultrastura ; Helto, faucitt ; Ricardo Juvene ; Willelmo, filio Radulfi de Haslinges ; Willelmo de Dudintun ; Simone, Clerico de Wendene, et Gaufrido fratre ejus.

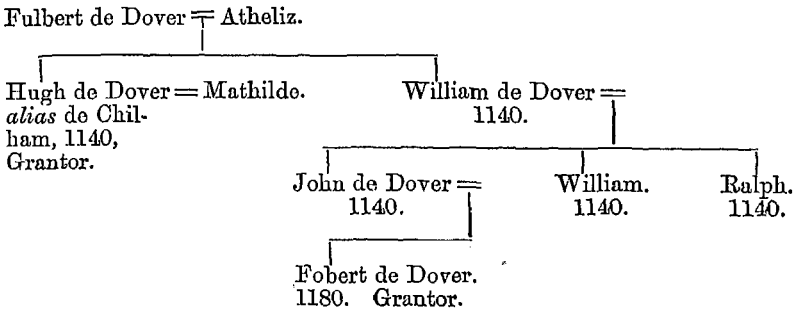


[Seal as etched in the MS. : Chequy a Luce hauriant. "Sigillum Foleberti de Doure."]

This Fobert de Dover married the daughter of Geffrey de Lucie, and eventually heir to her brother. From this marriage he perhaps adopted the Luce in his arms.

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4. 5° loco."

Pedigree deduced from this deed and No. 1 united:—



XVI.—(circiter A.D. 1180.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 412. In margin, "Circiter 1180."]

Certificate of the BARONS OF DOVER, that the Abbot and Convent of St. BERTIN have land within the Liberty of DOVER, for which they do full service "Domino Regi nobiscum."

[Seal: A one-masted galley ; a man at the head, and another at the stern, each hauling a rope suspended from the yards. "Sigillum Burgensium de Dourea."]

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4. 6° loco."

XVII.—(*circiter* A.D. 1180.)

Pope ALEXANDER III.<sup>1</sup> Bull, forbidding SIR NATHANEL [DE LEVELAND], under pain of excommunication, to molest the Monks of ST. BERTIN in their possession of the Chapel of LEVELAND, all right to which he had disclaimed for himself. It appears that there had been a controversy between the Monks of St. Bertin and Sir Nathanael [“Natanaelem militem”] concerning the Chapel of Leveland, and the Abbots of Faversham and Boxley had undertaken to arbitrate between them. The Knight, at first, refused to appear before them; but afterwards, under a threat of excommunication, came and acknowledged that he had no right in the said Chapel [*se in predicta capella nil juris habere constanter asseveravit*]. Whereupon the Archbishop of Canterbury interfered, and put in a claim, and appealed [“*ea siquidem hora, venerabilis frater noster Ricardus,<sup>2</sup> Cantuariensis Archiepiscopus, Apostolice sedis legatus, missu nuntio cum literis suis, predictam capellam sui juris esse proclamavit, et ne monachi in possessionem mitterentur, in vocem appellationis prorupit*”]. Sentence upon the said Knight was therefore deferred; and the Pope, thereon, issues his present Letters to the Bishops of Exeter and Worcester to summon the parties before them, and forbid all further molestation on the part of the said Knight, under pain of excommunication.

“Datum AVAGNIE vj kalendas Augusti.”

XVIII.—(*circiter* A.D. 1183.)

[*Fobert de Dover acknowledges that he has no right of pre-emption of the Tithes of Chillham, notwithstanding former conventions between him and the Monks of St. Bertin, unless he may choose at any time to buy them at a better price than others will give, and this only dependent on their favour.*]

[In margin, “45 Simon ij, 209, 305, *circiter* 1183. Carta Folberti de Doure circa decimas de Chileham, pro monachis Sancti Bertini.”]

FoBERTUS DE DOURE, etc. etc.

“Quia nolo quod dilecti fratres mei, et amici, Monachi SANCTI

<sup>1</sup> Alexander III. was Pope from A.D. 1159 to A.D. 1181.

<sup>2</sup> “Ricardus Monachus,” the successor of Becket, was Archbishop from A.D. 1171 to A.D. 1184.

BERTINI, aliquod dispendium sui juris patiantur, occasione libertatis et gratie quam aliquando erga eos inveni." Be it known, etc. etc. "Quod licet inter me et dictos monachos, aliquando convenerit de blado ipsorum emendo apud CHILHAM, me nihil juris vel auctoritatis in illa emptione habuisse, vel habere, nec illos teneri illud mihi vendere quam alii, nisi majorem gratiam quam alii erga illos, in illa emptione, potero invenire; et ne illud posteris venire possit in dubium, hac carta mea testificor, me nihil in illis decimis, nisi de gratia, exigere."

[Seal: Chequy, a Luce hauriant, as in No. 15.]

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4. 7<sup>o</sup> loco."

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XIX.—(circiter A.D. 1186.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 462. In margin, "45 Simon ij, 333, circiter 1186."]

BALDEWINUS,<sup>1</sup> Archbishop of CANTERBURY, recites and confirms the confirmation of his predecessor RICHARD, of the Church of THROWLEY [TRULEGA] to the Abbey of ST. BERTIN.

Witnesses: Henrico de Norlant; Magistro Silvestro Regiñ de Oly; Magistro Nicolao de Exoniensi; Ricardo de Hunfravill; Galfrido fotti (?), etc.

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4, 8<sup>o</sup> loco."

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XX.—(circiter A.D. 1186, ? 1270)<sup>2</sup>

[*Sir Hamo de Trulega and other specified parishioners of Throwley, besides others who have not seals, petition Hamo Mortimer, Archdeacon of Canterbury, to remove their Vicar, who has fled for debt, and substituted for himself strangers, capellans, to whom they dare not open their consciences, or safely make confessions.*]

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 462. In margin, "Circiter 1186."]

REVERENDO Patri ac Domino Magistro Hamodo de Mortuo<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Baldwin was Archbishop from A.D. 1184 to A.D. 1191.

<sup>2</sup> Hugh Mortimer appears in the list of the Archdeacons of Canterbury

Mare, Cantuariensi Archidiacono. Hamodus,<sup>1</sup> miles, et Dominus de Trulega, Petrus Dalton, Willelmus et Radulfus de Wilretun, Thomas de Corbais, Symon et H . . . . de Tanghe, Parochiani ecclesie de Trulega, et multi alii parochiani, sigilla propria non habentes. Salutem.

Cum Magister G . . . , Vicarius noster, suam ecclesiam vacantem et viduam per multos dies, nobis ignorantibus ubi sit, reliquerit, et predictam ecclesiam per capellanos extraneos deserviat, quibus conscientias et confessiones nostras securi non audemus revelare, etc. etc.

Therefore, they pray that the said Vicar may be removed, and that the Patron present a proper person in his room, or that the Archdeacon make the said Vicar return "a culpis suis totaliter absolutum;" . . . . . "predicta enim ecclesia Domini non poterit sic vacare, tum propter creditores qui pro suis debitis contra dictum Vicarium non cessant conqueri et clamare, tum propter multa alia pericula quæ vestra paternitas non ignorat."

"Ex originali, etc. No. 4, 9<sup>o</sup> loco.

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XXI.—(A.D. 1190.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 505. In margin, "351, 1190, 1 R. 1."]

ROBERTUS filius HAMUNDI DE THRULEGE, filii HEMFREDI, et heres.

Reciting No. XI. *supra*, by which HAMUND, his father, had given the Church of THROWLEY [*Thrulega*] to the Monks of ST. BERTIN, he confirms the same to them, together with "terris, decimis, et oblationibus, etc., ad eam pertinentibus, pro salute anime mee, et uxoris mee MABILE, et patris mei, et matris mee, et fratris mei, etc. etc.

"Datum Londini 1<sup>o</sup> anno RICARDI, Regis Anglie, 12<sup>o</sup> die Junii."

A.D. 1270, and seems to have held his Archdeaconry till A.D. 1273, when he was created Bishop of Norwich, but we cannot find the name of Mortimer in any authentic list A.D. 1186.

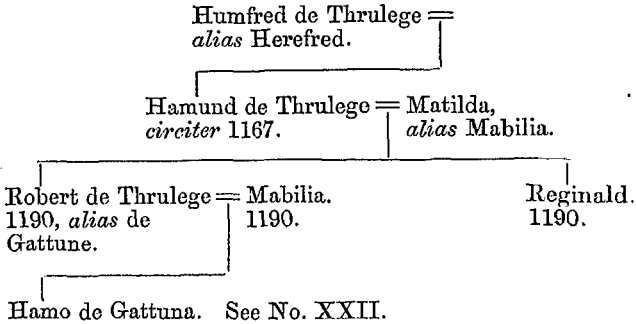
<sup>1</sup> Hamo de Gaton succeeded his father Robert as Lord of Throwley, A.D. 1263, which furnishes additional evidence that the document is dated erroneously; but we have not ventured to change the order of its insertion, leaving it as it stands in the Chartulary.

Witnesses : Henrico de Cornhulle, Vicecomite de Chent ; Reginaldo de Cornhulle, Constabulario de Chilleham ; Symone de Turentes ; Reginaldo, filio Hamundi de Thrulege.

[Seal, not armorial : “ Sigillum Roberti filii Hamonis.”]

“ Ex originali, etc. No. 5, 1<sup>o</sup> loco.”

Pedigree collected from Nos. XI., XIX., and XXII. :—



### XXII.—(? A.D. 1220.)

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 461. In margin, “ 45 Simon ij, 332, circiter 1186.”]

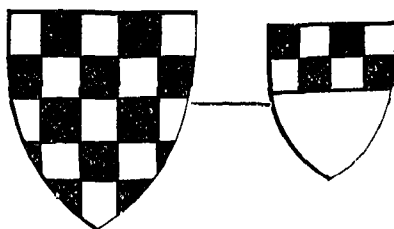
HAMO DE GATTUNA, heres ROBERTI DE GATTUNA, grants to the Monks of ST. BERTIN the Church of THROWLEY [TRULEGA]. “ Secundum quod avus meus et pater meus eisdem eandem ecclesiam dederunt, et carta sua confirmaverunt.” He speaks of his wife, though not by name.

Witnesses : Waltero,<sup>1</sup> Priore Sancte Trinitatis ; Simone, Capellano de Trulega ; Roberto, Capellano de Chileham ; Wilhelmo, milite, de Badelesmere ; Radulfo Colekin ; Gileberto de Wilrintuna, etc.

<sup>1</sup> There must be error in the date assigned in the Chartulary to this grant ; for the only Priors whom we find of the name of Walter, are—Walter Durdent, elected Bishop of Coventry 1149 ; Walter Parvus, succeeded 1149, and deposed 1153 ; and another Walter, elected A.D. 1217. Conjecturing that Robert de Trulege, No. XXI. A.D. 1190, is identical with Robert de Gattuna, father of this Hamo, we may fairly conclude that the real date of this charter is *circiter* 1220, and not, as conjectured in the Chartulary, 1186 ; we have therefore changed the order of its insertion, and numbered it XXII. instead of XIX.



[Seal, as etched: Chequy.  
 "Sigillum Hamonis de Gattuna."  
 Counter-seal: A chief chequy.  
 "Ego sum filius Roberti."]



"Ex originali, etc. No. 4, in 8<sup>o</sup> loco."

Robert de Gattuna = (Probably identical with Robert "filius  
 Hamundi de Trulege," No. 22.)

Hamo de Gattuna.

### XXIII.

[Chartulary, vol. i. p. 512. In margin, "356, 1190."]

RICHARD I. Charter of Confirmation of the Grant of the Church of CHILHAM to the Abbey of ST. BERTIN, etc., made by HUGO, son of FULBERT DE DEVORA. (See No. I.) "In bosco et in plano, in pratis et pascuis, in aquis et molendinis, et in omnibus," etc. etc.

Witnesses: Ricardo de Humets, Rogerò de Pratellis, Stephano de Longo Campo, Dapiferis.

Datum apud Ruhoalt, 17<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, per manum Wilhelmi Elyensis electi, Cancellarii nostri, regni nostri primo.

The Great Seal of England. On the King's shield, a lion rampant facing sinisterways.

"Ex originali, etc. No. 5, 2<sup>o</sup> loco."

The above are all the Kent entries in the first volume of the Chartulary.