

THE RENUNCIATION OF THE
PAPAL AUTHORITY BY THE CLERGY OF
WEST KENT, 1534.

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AMONGST the documents in the Public Record Office relating to the reign of Henry VIII. are two volumes (Chapter House Books, 63 and 64) which contain the signatures of the secular clergy to the declaration that "the Bishop of Rome hath no greater jurisdiction committed to him by God in this realm of England than any other foreign bishop." This declaration, engrossed in Latin at the head of sheets of parchment, was signed by the clergy in each deanery. In vol. vii., State Papers, Henry VIII., No. 1025, will be found a list of the deaneries for which the signatures are extant. Most of the clergy appended to their signatures the name of their benefice, and this was the case in the deaneries of the diocese of Rochester. In the diocese of Canterbury, on the other hand, the only guide to the incumbency of the signer is the name of his deanery at the head of the page.

The following is a transcript of so much as relates to the clergy of what then formed the diocese of Rochester, together with the deanery of Shoreham (a peculiar of the Archbishop of Canterbury); that is, roughly, Kent west of the Medway, with a few parishes on its eastern bank. Notes of the dates of institution to the various benefices have been added. The references (p., fol. 26, etc.) are to a volume at Rochester known as the "Register of the Spiritualities of Rochester, D." The entries therein of institutions were extracted by Thorpe, and are amongst his MSS. in the Library of the Society of Antiquaries, from whence they have been

obtained. The references to wills (ix., fol. 170, etc.) are to the Will Registers of the Consistory Court of Rochester, now at Somerset House.

The signatures are undated, but they must have been obtained in the first half of 1534, since Thomas Snyder, vicar of Hallyng, was succeeded on 24 July, William Whyteacre, rector of Offham, on 20 August, and Christopher Browne, vicar of Frindsbury, on 28 August of that year—all three vacancies being caused by death.

It will be observed that three of these West Kent parishes had the advantage of retaining their parish priests throughout the whole of the trying period of change which took place in the Church of England in the sixteenth century:—

CHRISTOPHER THOMSON was vicar of Cudham from 1525 to 1561.

ROBERT HALE was rector of Lee from 1526 to 1567.

JOHN BUTTYLL was rector of Cuxton from 1522 to 1576.

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ROMANUS EPISCOPUS NON HABET MAJOREM ALIQUAM JURIS-
DICTIONEM A DEO SIBI COLLATAM IN HOC REGNO ANGLIÆ
QUAM QUIVIS ALIUS EXTERNUS EPISCOPUS.

[DEANERY OF DARTFORD.]

XPOFER THOMSON, VICER OF COWDAM.

Instituted 29 Nov. 1525 on the death of Arnold Baxster. Patrons, P. and C. of Kilborne (D., fol. 132^b). He died 1561. (Will Rochester Consistory Court, book xiii., fol. 1.)

ROBERT^s BAKER, RECTOR DE FOTYSCRAY.

D^s Robertus Baker, rector 11 Oct. 1533 (Lib. Tax., fol. 103^a). Item 10 Oct. 1534 (fol. 106^b).

JOH^s HALETT, VICER DE WYLMYNGTON.

Instituted 12 October 1526 on the death of William Wigen. Patrons, P. and C. Rochester (D., fol. 134^b). He died 1540.

XPOFERUS NELSON, VICARIUS DE WHESTGRYNWYCHE ALIAS
DEPFORD.

Instituted 21 April 1532 on resignation of George Brynley. Patron, the King (D., fol. 164^a). His will dated 6 Aug. 1547, proved 7 Jan. 1547-8 (book xi., fol. 6^a).

JOHN RONDELL DETFFORD.

RADULPHUS TOMSON, CURAT^s DE SUTTON.

Sir Rauff Tomson, preste, witness to will of John Pulter of Sutton 26 Feb. 1530 (viii., fol. 288^b). The will of Sir Rayf Tompson, preste, of Sutton, dated 19 June, was proved 16 October 1543 (x., fol. 36^a).

XPOFER SMYTH, CURATOR DE NORTCRAY.

A witness to will of Richard Welsche, yoman, of Northcraye, 30 November 1531 (ix., fol. 13^b), and of Petyr Strodle 9 Marche 1540 (ix., fol. 293^a).

CHRYSTOPHER MERTENDALE, RECTOR DE NORTHCRAV.

Instituted 10 February 1521 on the death of Thomas Creswell, on the presentation of Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland (d., fol. 108^a). He died in 1541, being succeeded by Christopher Smith, who was instituted 29 July of that year, on the presentation of the King (d., fol. 207^a).

THOMAS GLAYUE, CURAT OF CHELLISFELD.

S^r Thos. Glayue witness to will of Robert Fleccher of Chellisfelde 20 Dec. 1533 (ix., fol. 109^b). S^r Thos. Gleue witness to will of Agnes Burges of Chellisfelde 8 March 1538 (ix., fol. 276^b).

EDWARD POWELL, CURAT DE FARNBROUGH.

Edwarde Appowell, curate, a witness to will of John Lambe of Farneborowe 20 July 1535 (ix., fol. 210^b).

ROBERT HALE, P'SON OF LEE.

Robert Hale *alias* Hales, lately Canon of Lesnes, instituted 14 Sept. 1526 on the death of Simon Templeman (p., fol. 134^b). He resigned in 1567, when William Brooke was instituted to the rectory 6 Oct. 1567. Patron, the Queen (Reg. Epi. Roff., fol. 104^b).

WILLIAM CARTAR, VICAR DE HORTON [KIRBY].

Instituted 10 Sept. 1516 on the resignation of John Bathe. Patrons, M. and F. of Cobham College (d., fol. 74^b). Nicholas Calver was instituted 18 Oct. 1545 on the death of William Carter; the King patron (Reg. Holbeche, fol. 24^a).

ROB'TUS DOWNE, CANTAR DE HORTON.

Was chantry priest (chantry of B. Mary) in 1517 (Act. Cur. Cons. 1513-18, fol. 249^a). In the Chantry Certificates, Kent 28, art. 105, P.R.O., it is stated that he was then (1547) 46 years old. The chantry was worth 116^s 2½^d a year, and there were 120 houseling people in the parish. He died 10 April 1549 (Reg. Edm. Gheat Epi., fol. 112^b). The will of Sir Robert Downe, sometyme chantry prest of Horton Kyrkby, dated 13 Jan. 2 Edw. VI., was proved 18 July 1549 (xi., fol. 68^a). He mentions his wife Elizabeth.

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S^r MATHEW FYSCHER, CURAT OF CHESLIS.

Sir Mathew Fyscher, curate, a witness to will of Roger Cheseman of Chesilhurst in 1533 (ix., fol. 108^b).

ROGER^s GRENHOD, VICAR DE ELTHAM.

Roger Grenhod instituted 19 November 1529 on the death of Phillip Carrok, on the presentation of Abb. and C. of Keynsham (D., fol. 138^b). His will, dated 18 March 1547, was proved 12 July following (x., fol. 218^b); he there styles himself "Sir Roger Grenwodd, vicar of Eltham."

JOH^{'ES} DEANE, RECTOR DE WEST WICHAM.

Instituted 6 June 1515 on the death of John Stocton (to whom there is a brass); Sir John Heydon patron (D., fol. 74^a). His will was proved 26 September 1556 (xii., fol. 49^b).

RIC. CLEMETT, P^{'SON} OFF ROWXLAY.

Instituted 23 September 1521 on the death of John Raynold; Sir Edward Ponyngs patron (D., fol. 107^b). He died 1541.

JOH^{'ES} SWETYNGS, RECTOR DE WOLWYCH.

Collated 25 April 1511 on the resignation of Richard Rostone (D., fol. 55^b). His will was proved 22 November 1540 (ix., fol. 312).

HENRICUS MORTHING CAPELLANUS D^{'NO} EDUARDO BOGHTON MIL.

Henry Morthing was collated 28 August 1534 to the vicarage of Frindsbury on the death of Christopher Browne (D., fol. 175^a). John Tysane succeeded him on 24 March 1540 on his death (D., fol. 202^b).

THOMAS BURNLAY, CURAT DE WYCA'

[i.e., East Wickham].

NICOLAUS JHONSON, CURAT DE CHARLTON.

DN^s RADULPHE TYLENEY, CURAT DE BROMLEY.

At first curate, he was collated to the vicarage of Bromley 28 May 1537 (D., fol. 194^a). His will, dated 8 June, was proved 10 October 1548 (xi., fol. 44^a).

DN^s RYCHARDE BLAGGE, VYCARIU^s DE ERRYTH.

Instituted 24 July 1521 on the death of John Rutone. Patrons, P. and C. of the Holy Trinity, London (D., fol. 107^a). He died 1542.

DN^s WYLLM^s BUCKELEY, CURAT DE LEWISHAM.

A witness to will of Richard Skipwith, gent., 1522 (P.C.C., 28 Maynwaryng).

JOHANNES STYRKE, CURATT DE FOTYSCREY.

EDMU'D'S PARKER, STIPENDARIUS DE DARTFORD.

In the Chantry Certificates, Kent 28, art. 104, Edmond Parker, aged 44, was incumbent of a perpetuall salarie, net value £8 8s., founded by Thomas Marten, for a priest to celebrate for his soul and all Xpen soules for ever. His father was William Parker, inholder, yoman, of Dartford, and he left to "Sir Edmonde my son viijⁱ" (ix., fol. 135^a).

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HEW . . . CLYDRO CAPYLLANUS DNY RYCHARDI WALDEN.

Sir Hugh Cledero a witness to will of Henry Vitell of Earith 20 December 1528 (viii., fol. 201^a). Syr Hew Clydero a witness to will of Robert Monke of Eryth 17 May 1533 (ix., fol. 101^a). Robert Monke names "My Master Syr Richard Walden, Knyght." Sir Richard Walden's will was proved 1539 (P.C.C., 28 Dyngeley).

ROBERT'S JONSON, CANTAR DE DARTFORD.

Robert Jonson collated to chantry of Our Lady of Staupett in Dartford Church 26 May 1517 (D., fo. 61^b). His successor, William Halle, was collated 3 November 1535 on his death (D., fol. 184^a). The Chantry Certificates, Kent 28, art. 104, state that this chantry was worth £7 5s. 5d. a year, and that there were then (1547) 700 houslinge people in the parish. At that date Robert Baker, aged 63, was incumbent.

HENRIC'S RYBTON, CURAT'S DE SOUTHEFLEIT.

Sir Henry Rybton, curat, witness to will of Richard Swetsyer of Northeccraye 13 July 1528 (viii., fol. 177^b), of William Vmfray, yoman, of Southflett, 28 September 1531 (ix., fol. 9^b), and of Cristofer Hoggesson of Southfleet 1 December 1533 (ix., fol. 101^b). Henry Ribton was instituted vicar of Bexley 12 March 1539 (Reg. Cranmer, fol. 375^b).

JOH'ES BRUER, VICAR DE DARTFORD.

Collated 1533 (*Arch. Cant.*, XVIII., p. 395). His will, dated 8 January 1534, was proved 31 May 1535 (ix., fol. 175).

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[STROOD HOSPITAL.]

JOHANNES WYLBOR ICONIM'S HOSPITALIS BEATE MARIE NOUI OPERIS DE STROOD.

John Wylbor was vicar of Lamberhurst 1515-19, master of Strood Hospital, called "Nework," from 1517 till its suppression, vicar of St. Nicholas, Rochester, 1519-22, of Isleham, Cambridge (a peculiar of the Bishop of Rochester), 1521-23, master of Cobham College 1533-34, and rector of Chislehurst 1523 to 1552. On 1 July 1534 he was appointed chaplain to Henry VIII., being styled "John Wylbore, M.A.,

clerk of the parish church of Chislehurst, Kent," and was granted licence of non-residence on his benefices (State Papers, Henry VIII., vol. vii., No. 933). His will, dated 20 June 1551, was proved 23 April 1553 (P.C.C., 8 Tashe). He evidently contemplated being buried in the Cathedral Church of Rochester, of which he was a prebendary.

JOH'ES STANDENOGTH CONFRAAT' EIUSDDEM HOSPITAL'.

Witness to will of John Feddy of Strode 1527 (viii., fol. 178^b).

RICHARDUS WILBOR CONFRAATER EIUSDDEM HOSPITAL'.

Was afterwards vicar of Aylsford, and as such witnessed the will of Andrew Anderson 1539 (ix., fol. 290^b). The will of "S^r Richard Wilbore, vicar of the church of Ailsforde," dated 10 May, was proved 1 June 1545 (x., fol. 99^b).

DECANATUS DE MALLING.

HENRICUS FLETCHER, VICARIUS DE TOWNE MALLYNG.

Henry Fletcher, S.T.B., instituted 24 October 1524 on the death of John Bamborowe, on the presentation of Elizabeth Rede, Abbess, and the C. of Malling (D., fol. 114^a).

JACOB' ROBERT' R, RECTOR ECCLESIE DE PADELSWORTH.

Instituted to the church of Padlesworth with the chapel of Dowde 10 June 1533 on the resignation of John Parkyns. Patron, Sir Edward Wotton, Knight (D., fol. 178^a). His will was proved 28 September 1540 (ix., fol. 301).

ROB'TUS PEELE, VICARIUS DE WEST'HAM.

Instituted 4 December 1504 on the death of Brian Coltehurst; P. and C. of Christ Church, Canterbury, patrons (D., fol. 40^b). His will, dated 25 August, was proved 18 December 1539 (P.C.C., 34 Dyngeley). He was also vicar of Chilham, and wished to be buried there.

JOH'ES SYMSON, RECTOR DE BARMYNG.

A Sir John Symson, curate, is a witness to will of Thomas At Mere of Mereworth 1528 (viii., fol. 170^a). Syr John Symson, parson, is witness to will of William Pake of East Barmyng 8 May 1531 (ix., fol. 5^b). He was instituted 24 July 1524 on the resignation of "Wmi Auren. Epi." Patrons, P. and C. of Leeds (D., fol. 113^b). His will was proved 9 June 1563 (xiii., fol. 87^a).

JOH'ES GREYN, CURAT DE EDONBREGG.

S^r John Greyn is witness to will of William Crippes of Etonbreg 1526 (viii., fol. 81^b), and of Marget Tycheburn 8 December 1532 (ix., fol. 64^b).

JOH'ES BRYTTAYNE, VICARIUS DE LYGHE.

Instituted 18 October 1516 on the death of Richard Stodharte. Patrons, P. and C. of Tunbridge (D., fol. 74^b). He was still vicar in 1552.

RYCARD^s CHAPMA', RECTOR DE COWDEN.

Richard Chapman instituted to rectory of Cowden 10 December 1515 on the resignation of Nicholas Brussall. Patron, Edward, Duke of Buckingham (D., fol. 73^b). He was succeeded on his death by John Grene, who was instituted 13 July 1542 (D., fol. 213^b).

THOMAS NORTHERYN, CURAT^s DE BRENCHLEY.

Sr Thomas Northeryn witness to will of Bartylmew Tutty of Brenchley 8 May 1532 (ix., fol. 23^b).

D^{ns} GEORG BRYNLEY, VICARIUS DE BYRLING.

Instituted 28 April 1507 on the resignation of William Watsons. Patrons, Ab. and C. of Bermoundsey (D., fol. 45^b). He was also rector of Luddesdown. His name appears as witness to wills in 1540 and 1545 (x., fol. 94^b).

D^{ns} RICARD^s TALYOR, RECTOR DE ALYNGTON.

Instituted 20 July 1530 on the resignation of Robert Hedcorne. Patron, Sir Henry Wyat (D., fol. 158^b). He was rector in 1554 (Reg. M. Griffith Epi., fol. 55^a).

D^{ns} GEORG^s LYGHTONE, CURATUS DE SEALE.

Sr George Lighton, curate, witness to will of Thomas Pynden of Seal 13 March 1534 (ix., fol. 134^a).

D^{ns} THOMAS PORTYNGTON, RECTOR ECCLE DE SPELHYRST.

The date of his institution has not been discovered. John Blakdene was instituted 15 December 1534 on the resignation of Thomas Portyngton (D., fol. 181^b).

D^{ns} THOMAS NEWCU', CURAT^s DE WEST'HAM.

Sir Thomas Nucom, curate, a witness to will of Johaz Chapman, widow, of Westerham, 11 January 1534 (ix., fol. 180^a).

D^{ns} JOH'ES CROSSE, CURAT^s DE HADLOW.

Sr John Crosse, parish priest, a witness to will of John Dyne of Shipborne 11 August 1517 (P.C.C., 35 Holder). Sr John Crosse, vicar of Hadlow, witness to will of Henry Fane, Esq., of Hadlo, 12 May 1533 (P.C.C., 4 Hogen). At his death Henry Medow was instituted 12 April 1536 (D., fol. 186^a).

D^{ns} WILL^s WHYTEACRE, RECTOR DE OFFHAM.

William Whiteacres collated 21 October 1512 on the death of Richard Wantone (D., fol. 61^b). On his death Thomas Dixson was instituted 20 August 1534 (D., fol. 195^a).

D^{ns} ROB'TUS BOSNELL, CURAT^s DE KEMSYNG.

D^{ns} THOMAS GAMYLL, CURAT DE HORSMYNDEN.

A Sir Thomas Gamyll witness to will of John Salman of Hoo in 1528 (viii., fol. 149^b).

D^{ns} ROBERT^s CADYE, CURAT DE WEST PECHAM.

Syr Robert Cadye, curate, witness to will of Agnes Pacman of West Pecham 1533 (ix., fol. 95^b).

D^{ns} EDWARD^s TUTSHAM, VICARIUS DE WEST PECCHAM.

Instituted 23 December 1522 on the death of David Mores. Patrons, P. and C. of Leeds (D., fol. 109^a).

Syr Edward Tuttysham, curate of Sheborn, witness to will of Julyen Bocher 7 May 1531 (viii., fol. 283^b).

D^{ns} RICHARD^s WHIT, VICARIUS DE RIIERSHE.

Richard White instituted 23 May 1517 on the resignation of William Walkar. Patrons, P. and C. of Merton (D., fol. 75^a). He was succeeded by Robert Covert in 1534.

D^{ns} MARTIN^s MOYNALL, RECTOR DE ASCHERSTE.

Instituted 27 October 1520 on the death of Martin Christofer. Patron, John Waller, Esq. (D., fol. 131^b). His will, dated 25 February 1550, was proved 22 October 1551 (xi., fol. 139).

D^{ns} PHILIPPUS MEKFLET, RECTOR DE BITBOROW.

Phillip Mekflet, A.M., instituted 5 December 1525 on the resignation of John Morley. Patron, William Waller, Esq. (D., fol. 132^b). John Turner was instituted 2 November 1554 on the deprivation of Phillip Mekflet (Reg. M. Griffith Epi., fol. 57^a).

D^{ns} JACOB^s GOLDWELL, RECTOR DE ADDYNGTON.

James Goldwell, L.Bac., instituted 2 June 1533 on the death of Robert Houghtone, on the presentation of George Wattone (D., fol. 178^a).

D^{ns} HENRICUS DENTU', CURAT DE TROTLESY

[*i.e.*, Trottescliffe].

A Sir Henry Denton, chaplen, witness to will of Giles Palmar of St. Mary's Hoo 12 March 1532 (ix., fol. 100^a), and of will of Walter Andrewe of Snodland 12 June 1532 (ix., fol. 20). Sir Henry Denton, curate, witness to will of William Wolleryge of Troslyff 2 August 1532 (ix., fol. 30). A Henry Denton, priest, instituted rector of Ridley 1 April 1544, William Sedley, Esq., patron (Reg. Cranmer, fol. 392^a), and is witness to will of Thomas Averell of Rydley 1556 (xii., fol. 17^b).

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D^{ns} THOMAS CURWEN, CANTARIST DE PEPYNGBURY.

Thomas Curwen instituted to chantry of Pepingbury 13

June 1528 on the death of Richard Peersone; Sir Edward Nevyll patron (D., fol. 139^a). At his resignation Richard Hilles was appointed 20 March 1534. At the confiscation of the property in 1549 Richard Hyll was aged 61. The value was 10^s 9^½^d yearly. There were 142 housing people in the parish. (Kent Chantry Certificates, No. 28, art. 59, P.R.O.) A Sir Thomas Curwen, curate, witness to will of Alice Woodlande of West Malling 1526 (viii., fol. 92^a).

D^{ns} GEORGO^s ATKYS, VICARIUS DE PEPYNBERYE.

Instituted 17 July 1533 on the resignation of William Buckley. Patron, the King (D., fol. 178^b). He was vicar in 1549 (Chantry Certificates, *ut supra*).

D^{ns} WILL^{ms} HOGERS DE SÆELLE.

D^{ns} RADULPHUS AMYS, CURAT^s DE TOMBRIG.

Ralph Amys was chantry priest at Pepingbury 22 December 1509 to 1527, when he resigned (D., fol. 53^b). Sir Rauff Ames, priest, witness to will of Robert Edden of Pepingbury 1519 (vii., fol. 164). Sir Raff Amyas witness to will of Thomas Sandyll of Tudley 5 May 1530 (viii., fol. 240^a). Sir Rauff Amyes, curate, witness to will of Thomas Mell *alias* Mylner of Capell 7 December 1530 (viii., fol. 271^a).

D^{ns} THOMAS EMERE, VICARIUS DE WESTFARLEY.

Instituted November 1527 on the resignation of Richard Croft. Patrons, P. and C. of Leeds (D., fol. 138^b). The will of Sir Thomas Emerye, vicar of West Farleighe, dated 24 August, was proved 12 January 1547 (xi., fol. 9).

D^{ns} EDWARD^s WETTO[?] DE TESTON WECARYUS.

Edward Wetton instituted 4 November 1525 on the resignation of William Madock. Patrons, P. and C. of Leeds (D., fol. 132^b). He is witness to will of John Wadman of Testan in 1535 (ix., fol. 180^b).

D^{ns} JOHE[']NS LARK DE LEYBORN, RECTOR.

John Larke instituted 5 April 1527 on the death of Thomas Sewell. Patrons, Abb. and C. of Grace, London (D., fol. 136^b). On 2 March 1543 Hugh Woodward was instituted on the attainder of John Lark (Reg. Cranmer, fol. 391^a).

D^{ns} JHO[']ES POCOKE, CURAT DE EALDYNG.

S^r John Pocok witness to will of John Austen of Ealding 24 July 1532 (ix., fol. 81^a), and of John Cooper 1536 (ix., fol. 222^b).

D^{ns} WYLLM^s COYN['], P[']SBIT['] DE ALDYNG.

D^{ns} JOH[']ES POMELL, RECTOR DE NETTYLSTED.

Instituted 4 February 1523 on the death of Simon Gosfrith (D., fol. 111^a). He died 1548.

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DOMINUS THOMAS SMITHSON, VICAR DE WATRINGBUREY.

Instituted 8 May 1527 on the death of John Kirfote (d., fol. 137^a). He resigned 1541.

D^{ns} JOH'ES WODROUE, CURAT DE LAMBERHERST.

Sur John Woodroff, p'ish preste, witness to will of William Hendley *alias* Emery of Lamberhurste 28 August 1534 (ix., fol. 161^b), and of will of Gabrel Streter of Lamberherste 7 April 1535 (ix., fol. 162^b).

D^{ns} WILL^{ms} TYSHERST, RECTOR DE HORSMONDEN.

William Tysherst, prothonotarius, sometime Abbot of Lesness, instituted rector 6 October 1525 on the death of John Thwayts. Patron, Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland (d., fol. 131^a). His successor, Martin Colyne, was instituted 1 August 1542 (d., fol. 214^b).

D^{ns} ROBT^s CHALSWERTH DE TUNBRYG.

D^{ns} THOMAS DYER, CAPALAN^s DE TUMBRYGE.

COLLEGIU' DE COBHAM IN DIOCES. ROFFEN.

D^{ns} WYLELM^s WHARFF SOCIUS HUIUS COLLEGII.

D^{ns} JOH'ES NORMA' SOCIUS HUIUS COLLEGII.

d. HENRICUS IHONSONUS STIPENDEARIUS HUIUS COLLEGII.

A further declaration, dated 27 October 1535, will be found in Rymer, *Fœdera*, xiv., p. 555, signed by—
Johannes Bailye, Magister Collegii de Cobham.

Thomas Webster.

Willielmus Wharffe.

Dominus Johannes Norman, socius.

Stephanus Tennand, confratres.

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ROGERUS WYLD, RECTOR DE MYLTON ET GRAUSEND.

Roger Wyld, A.M., instituted to church of Milton 7 December 1531 on the death of John Wylde. Patron, Sir Henry Wyot, for this turn (d., fol. 162^b). Instituted rector of Gravesend 22 December 1530 on the death of Henry Redyng (d., fol. 160^a).

WILL^{ms} BARRETT, CURAT^s DE G^rUESEND.

Sir William Barrett, curate, witness to will of John Veysey of Melton 1528 (viii., fol. 165^a), and of Elizabeth Mikilhalf of Gravesend 1535 (ix., fol. 178^a). His will was proved 1543 (x., fol. 22^a).

WYLLM^s BRODBENT, CANTARIST DE MILTON IUXTA GRAUSEND.

S^r William Brodbent, chauntrey preste of Melton, over-

seer of will of Sir Thomas Newsame 21 March 1527 (viii., fol. 151). He was afterwards vicar of Wilmington, and his will, dated 17 July 1552, is in book xi., fol. 256^a.

RICARD^{us} TUTSAM, CANTARIST DE MILTON IUXTA GRAVISEND.

Sir Richard Tutsame, curate, witness to will of John Hayton of Milton 1517 (vii., fol. 110^b). The will of Sir Richard Tutsham, preste and Stipendarie of Milton beside Gravesend, dated 22 June, was proved 21 July 1541 (ix., fol. 353^b). He mentions "Thissillworth" in Middlesex.

D. WILLM^s RYCHARDSON, CURAT DE MYLTON.

Syr William Richardson, curate, witness to will of Robert Broke of Melton next Gravesend 3 January 1532 (ix., fol. 92^a).

d. PHYLYPUS [*sic*] NELL, STIPENDARIUS.

d. THOMAS HALL, STIPENDARIUS YN GRAVYSSHEND.

d. GALFRID^s WYLDMAN, CURAT^s DE SHORN.

d. ANDREAS CADER, STIPENDARIUS IN ROFF.

Syr Andrew Cader, curate of St Nicholas, Rochester, witness to the will of John Warner 30 October 1532 (ix., fol. 69^a), and of will of Thomas Braibroke of Hoo 1 April 1538 (ix., fol. 259^b).

D^{ns} JOH[']ES HARROP, RECTOR ECCLIE S^{ci} CLEME[']TS.

John Harrope collated 1 May 1531 on the resignation of Maurice Aprichard (D., fol. 161^a). He seems to have resigned in 1538 (Reg. Nich. Heath, fol. 8^a).

D^{ns} GEOROGI^s TYLLOTSON, STIPENDEARI^s.

George Tilletson was one of the chantry priests at the Bridge Chapel, Rochester (see *Valor Ecclesiasticus*, vol. i., p. 110).

DOMINUS JOHANES BERE[']GE, STIPENDARIUS IN ROCHESTRE.

d. RYCHARD^s STEPNEY, STIPENDARIUS.

D. THOMAS HARRY, STYP.

M. ROBERTUS JOHNSON, RECTOR DE STONE.

Collated 3 April 1525 on the resignation of Richard Sharpe (D., fol. 129^a). He was also Vicar of Yalding and one of the Prebendaries named in the re-foundation charter of Rochester Cathedral Church 1542.

M. JOH[']E WRIGHT, VICARIUS S^{ce} MARGARETE.

Instituted to vicarage of St Margaret's next Rochester 1 March 1503 on the resignation of Thomas Alen. Patrons, P. and C. of Rochester (Reg. Warham, fol. 238^a). His will, dated 10 April, was proved 13 June 1547 (xi., fol. 1).

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D^{ns} WILL^s HOGESON, RECTOR DE WOLDHAM.

Syr William Hoggeson, curate, witness to will of Thomas Yeate of Woldham 3 December 1530 (viii., fol. 262^b). He was instituted rector 28 February 1533 on the resignation of John Adesone (D., fol. 180^b), and died 1539.

D^{ns} THOMAS SHAW, VICARIUS SANCTI NYCOLAS ROFFEN.

Collated 20 February 1525 on the resignation of John Adesone, S.T.P. (D., fol. 133^a). He resigned in 1534. William Wylbore being instituted 5 December of that year (D., fol. 181^b).

D^{ns} ANDREAS NOYTHE, STIPE'D^s IN GRAUVYSHN

[? in Gravesend].

DOMINUS JOANNES BUTTYLL, RECTOR DE COKSTON.

"Johannes Bodill, accolitus," collated 1 July 1522 to church of Cokelestone on the resignation of William Barkar (D., fol. 108^b). He died 3 September 1576 (Reg. Epi. Roff., fol. 146^b).

D^{ns} THOM^s SNYDALL, VICARIUS DE HALLYNG.

Instituted 26 February 1515 on the death of Rich^d Clarke. Patrons, Master and Brethren of Strood Hospital (D., fol. 73^b). Henry Johnson was instituted 24 July 1534 on the death of Thomas Snyderall (D., fol. 181^a).

D^{ns} RIC^{us} GREYN, CURATUS DE SNODLAND.

Richard Greyn, preste, witness to will of W^m Wattes of Snodland 1525 (viii., fol. 15^b). Sir Richard Greyn supervisor of will of John Canon of Snodland 25 March 1534 (ix., fol. 112^b).

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D^{ns} XPOFER^s BROWNE, VICARIUS DE FRENDSBERY IUXTA ROFFEN.

Collated 13 December 1532 on the resignation of Thomas Perone (D., fol. 174^b). Henry Morthing was collated to Frindsbury on 28 August 1534 on the death of Christ^r Browne (D., fol. 195^a).

D^{ns} THOMAS PERON, CANTARISTA ROFF.

Thomas Pern or Perone was instituted to Vicarage of Frindsbury 9 October 1524 on the death of Richard Brawdrib (D., fol. 114^a). He resigned as above in 1532. In the *Valor Ecclesiasticus*, i., p. 110, he appears as one of the incumbents of the Rochester Bridge chantry. His will was proved in 1545 (x., fol. 112^b).

M^r ROBT^s TRUSLOWE, RECTOR DE HALSTOW ET SNODLANDE.

Robert Truslowe, A.M., instituted to Halstow 30 September 1533 on the resignation of Rich^d Brawdrib (D., fol. 178). He was still rector in 1544. He was collated to the rectory of Snodland 17 March 1530 on the resignation of John

Adesone (D., fol. 161^a). On 15 March 1530 he was collated to the Free Chapel of St^t Laurence in Halling on the death of Richard Sharpe, "ultimi prebendarii" (D., fol. 159^a).

D^{ns} EDMUNDUS LUNDE, CURAT DE HALSTOWE.

S^r Edmund Lunde named to say mass in Denton Church in will of Robert Bromfelde of Milton 26 April 1531 (viii., fol. 276^a). Sir Edmonde Londe, curate, witness to will of Nicholas Moysse of Halgstow 18 April 1534 (ix., fol. 125^b).

D^{ns} BAWDEWINUS, CURATUS DE STOKE.

A Sir Baudewyn Sneth witness to will of John Canon of Snodland 25 March 1534 (ix., fol. 112^b).

D^{ns} JOH'ES BYBYLL, CURATUS DE COWLING.

"Sir John Bybyll my gosteley father" witness to will of Rich^d Longeman of Coulyng 14 October 1534 (ix., fol. 150^b), and of will of John Braibroke 10 April 1535 (ix., fol. 184^b).

D^{ns} THOMAS HAVATSON, CURATUS DE HYGHAM.

A Syr Thomas Huatson witness to will of Jⁿ Fraunces of St. Mary's Hoo 4 April 1530 (viii., fol. 299^b). Syr Thos. Hewatson witness to will of W^m Leyston of Ashe 13 April 1532 (ix., fol. 21^a). Thomas Huetson chantry priest of West Peckham 1536 (D., fol. 193), but resigned in 1537.

D^{ns} HE'RICUS BANKE, STYPE'DIARIUS IN HALSTOW.

D^{ns} PETRUS MANFELD, STIPENDARIUS B^{ic} MARIE [HOO].

Syr Peter Manfyld, prest, witness to will of John Love of Halgstowe 14 January 1533 (ix., fol. 107^a).

D^{ns} ROBERTUS FRANCKYSSHE, VICARIUS OMN. SCANCTOR [HOO].

Instituted 26 September 1525 on the resignation of John Bayley. Patrons, P. and C. Rochester. John Graver instituted 28 September 1541 on the death of Robert Frankyshe (D., fol. 209^a).

D^{ns} ANTONINUS LEPPYNGTON, CURAT DE LUDDISDON.

Syr Anthony Lyppynghon witness to will of W^m Williams of Luddesdon 2 May 1533 (ix., fol. 77^a). Sir Anthony Lybington witness to will of Rich^d Monke of West Peckham 23 January 1538 (ix., fol. 274^b).

D^{ns} JOH'ES BYRDE, RECTOR DE COWLYNG.

Instituted 11 January 1532 on the death of Rich^d Hewster. Patron, Sir Geo. Broke, Lord Cobham (D., fol. 164^a).

D^{ns} GEORGIUS RYCHARDSON, CURATUS DE DENTON.

A George Rychardson was one of the three chaplains at Rochester Bridge Chapel in 1549 (Chantry Certificates, Kent No. 29, art. 96).

D^{ns} THOM^s WEBSTER, SOCIUS COLEGII DE COBHAM.

See page 302. In his will, dated 22 November 1538 (ix., fol. 271), he styles himself "lately Submaster of the College, and now Vicar and Curate of Cobham."

D^{ns} THOM^s LANGLEE, CURATUS DE CHETHAM.

Thomas Langley, Canon of Leeds, admitted to cure of souls 25 April 1531. Patrons, P. and C. of Leeds (D., fol. 161^a). In *Valor Eccl.* he is styled "gardianus et vicarius." Launcelot Hollingborne, Canon of Ledes, was admitted "ad officium gardiani ecclesie de Chetham" 11 August 1534 on the death of Thomas Langley.

D^{ns} WILL^{ms} MALLYNGE, CURATUS DE CHETHAM.

D^{ns} ROBERTUS BLACUS, VICARIUS DE ALYSFORTH.

Instituted 24 October 1524 on the resignation of Henry Fleccher. Patrons, M^r and Brethren of Strood (D., fol. 114^b). In *Valor Eccl.* his name is given as Blake. His will, dated 26 March, was proved 22 June 1535 (ix., fol. 182).

D^{ns} ALEXANDER HARISON, STIPEND^s IN HYGHEAM.

An "Alisandre Harrison, prest," witness to will of Richard Meller of Capell in 1525 (viii., fol. 20^b).

D^{ns} JOH^{'s} JOYNR, VIC. DE CHEALKE.

John Joyner instituted 10 February 1518 on the death of Roger Gramestone. Patrons, M^r and Brethren of Cobham (D., fol. 78^b).

D^{ns} ROBERTUS CARTAR, STIPENDARIUS DE SOUTHFLET.

Sir Robert Cartar witness to will of John Moer of Southfleet 1526 (viii., fol. 68^a). Administration of the goods of Sir Robert Carter, clerk, late of Sowthfleet, granted 21 May 1543 to Roger Carter *alias* Stable, his brother.

D^{ns} RICHARD^s LAWRA'CE, STIPENDARIUS DE SOUTHFLET.

D^{ns} NICHOLAUS GERVIS, CURAT^s DE SWANSCOM.

D^{ns} GREGORIUS KETON, VICARIUS DE BURHAM.

Instituted 21 August 1533 on the resignation of John Pierson. Patron, W. Weston, Prior of S^t John of Jerusalem (D., fol. 178^b).

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D^{ns} WILL^{ms} HYRD, RECTOR DE KYNGSDOWNE.

Instituted 13 January 1533 on Anthony Middleton's preferment to another benefice (D., fol. 180^b). He resigned in 1542 and went to Fawkham, and his will as "parson of Fawkham" is in book xiii., fol. 423, Rochester Consistory.

D^{ns} RICHARDUS EDMO'SON, RECTOR DE FAWCHAM.

Richard Edmondson instituted 10 June 1527 on the resignation of Thomas Saunderson (D., fol. 137^a). His will, dated 25 October, was proved 24 November 1541 (ix., fol. 367). He was succeeded by the above William Hyrd.

D^{ns} WYLLM^s WYELS, RECTOR DE ASSHE.

Instituted 7 April 1533 on the resignation of Thomas Slater. Patron, Prior of S^t John of Jerusalem (D., fol. 177^b). His will, dated 21 April, was proved 7 June 1555 (xi., fol. 342).

D^{ns} JOH[']ES SYMSON, CURAT DE STONE.

The will of Syr John Symson, curate of Stone, dated 11 November, was proved 11 February 1547 (xi., fol. 13). He leaves a bequest "to poore in Bisshopsgate Streytt w^tout the gate to by them fuell."

D^{ns} JOH[']ES DEWE, STIPENDARIUS DNI WYLSHERE IN STONE.

He was chantry priest of the Wiltshire Chantry in Stone Church. On a brass plate on the floor of the choir of that church is:—

"O mercyfull Jhesu have mercy on the
Soule of Syr John Dew."

D^{ns} NYCOLAUS HARYNGTON, CANTAR. IN MONASTERIO ROFF.

Nicholas Haryngton, "p[']sbitar, cantarie Joh[']is Shepey quondam Epi. Roffen." (*Valor Ecclesiasticus*, 1535, vol. i., p. 108.)

D^{ns} EWINUS CARLTON, STIPENDARIUS APUD ROFF.

Ewinus Carlton is Rector of Longfield in *Valor Eccl.*, 1535, vol. i., p. 110. The will of Sir Ewan Charlton, Parson of Longfelde, was proved 1548 (xi., fol. 30^b).

D^{ns} WILL^{us} SKELTON, CURAT DE HOO.

Sir William Skelton witness to will of Stephen Charles of Hoo 1520 (vii., fol. 201^a), and of John Mott of Hoo 12 September 1534 (ix., fol. 142^b).

D^{ns} JOHANNES MYLLUS, STIPENDARIUS IN HOO.

Sir John Mylles witness to will of John Larke of Hoo 2 May 1535 (ix., fol. 174^b).

D^{ns} JACOBUS ALLOTT, STIPENDARIUS IN HOO.

Sir James Allott witness to will of John Charles of Hoo 16 November 1531 (ix., fol. 112^a).

D. STEPHAN^s TENNAND, CAPELLAN^s DNI DE COBHAM.

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DECAT^{US} DE SHOR^{AM} IMMEDIAT. IUR^M ECCLIE
XPI CANT.[*Deanery of Shoreham directly under Christ Church, Canterbury.*]

JOHANNES BURGESS, VIC. DE SENOK.

EDMU^D'S FLATCH^r, VICARIUS DE EST MALLYNG.

The will of "Edmunde Flatchere, clarke and vicar of Estmawlinge," dated 6 November 1540, was proved 16 May 1541 (P.C.C., 28 Alenger). He left books "to Exeter Colledge in Oxenforde, because I was somtyme of the same house."

D^{NS} JOHANNES HORSSEY, VICARIUS DE SCHORHAM.D^{NS} JOH^{ES} BYRDE, VICARIUS DE MEOPHAM.

Sir John Birde, vicar of Meopham, witness to will of John Bogherst of Luddisdon 1 October 1533 (ix., fol. 105^a), and of Richard Adene, gent., of Meopham, 3 July 1542 (P.C.C., 13 Spert).

D^{NS} XPOFOR^S SCHARP[']ROW, RECT. DE HEYS.

Sir Christ^r Sharperow witness to will of W^m Frenche of Seal 1519 (vii., fol. 163^a), and of Thomas Beste of Seal 1531 (ix., fol. 13^a). He is witness to will of Henry Causton of West Wickham in 1532 (ix., fol. 52^b).

D^{NS} WYLLM^S STERLYNG, RECTOR DE KESTONE.

He was buried 20 December 1545 (Hasted's *Kent*, i., p. 112).

D^{NS} JOHANNES LEU[']SAGE, CURAT^S DE DOWNE.

"Sir John Leuersege my gostly father" is left xij^d by Elizabeth Brisley *alias* Bendon of Bromley on 15 June 1530 to pray for her (ix., fol. 244).

P['] ME MYLONEM THOLYNSON, VIC. DE BEXLYE.

Sir Myles Tomlynson, vicar of Bexley, is named in the will of Thomas Lamendby *alias* Sparrowe of Bexley 24 November 1513 (P.C.C., 24 Fetiplace). He is also witness to will of Thomas Hawle of Bexley 4 July 1526 (P.C.C., 20 Porch).

D^{NS} WILELM^S SMYTH, VICARIUS DE GREANE.

S^r William Smyth, vicar of Greane, is named on 28 February 1540 by Syr Richard Hyll, vicar of Stoke, as his executor (ix., fol. 336^b).

D^{NS} ADAM HAROSMYTH, CURATUS DE HUNTON.

S^r Adam Arowsmyth, prest, a witness to will of Tho^s Coveney of West Farlegh 19 April 1515 (P.C.C., 13 Maynwaryng).

D^{ns} JOH'ES MOORE, CURAT^s DE PENSHURST.

D^{ns} THOM^s CHYTTES, CURAT^s DE HEU' [HEVER].

D^{ns} DAVIT RACHFFORD, CURAT^s DE WROTG^{am} [WROTHAM].

JOH'ES LIFAN', CURAT^s DE CLYFF.

D^{ns} WYLLM^s HALLE, CURAT^s DE SUNDRYS [SUNDRIDGE].

D^{ns} HUGO GREYN, CURAT^s DE BRASTHE [BRASTED].

A Sir Hugh Grene, curate, a witness to will of Richard Frenche of Seal 27 March 1536 (ix., fol. 212^b).

D^{ns} RICHARD^s HACSE (?), CURAT^s DE CHEDYNGSTON.

D^{ns} RICHARD^s TAYLLER, VICARIUS DE ESTFARLEY.

D^{ns} JOH'ES COLYNS DE HALSTEYD.

D^{ns} JOHANES GARLOND DE ORPYNGTON.

A Sir John Garland witness to will of Anne Clements of Lullingstone 11 October 1537.

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D^{ns} THOMAS WODHOUS, CURAT^s SCE MA^c CRAY.

D^{ns} JOH'ES WOLMER, CURAT^s DE CHEVENYNG.

Sir John Wolmer, curate, witness to will of John Hacche *alias* Haccher, yoman, of Chevening, 23 November 1541 (P.C.C., 4 Spert).

D^{ns} HU'FRID^s BARKER, CURAT^s DE AYNFORTH.

D^{ns} HUGO WARNE, CURAT^s DE STANSTED.

D^{ns} JOH'ES LEE, CURAT^s DE IGHAM.

D^{ns} WILL^{ms} CULL, CURAT^s DE NOKOLTD.

D^{ns} THOMAS BYRKEHED, STIPE'DARIUS DE OTFORTHE.

D^{ns} HENRIC' BARLYLL, CURAT^s DE DARNT.

D^{ns} HENRIC' BUCAR, CURAT^s DE CREYFORD.

D^{ns} RICHARD^s BLAGGE, VICARIUS DE ORPYNTON.

Admitted 3 April 1525. Died 1541 (*Arch. Cant.*, Vol. XIII., p. 385).

D^{ns} PHELIPPUS METCALFE, CAPELLANUS DE GYLLYNGA'.

In a list of pensions dated 1556, printed in *Arch. Cant.*, Vol. II., p. 62, occurs, "Philip Metcalfe, late incumbent at Gillingham, per annum vj^{li}."