

General Notes and Correspondence.

In reference to a remark in *Arch. Cant.*, Vol. XXXVI., p. 166, by the reviewer of Mr. Charles Igglesden's book, Mr. A. H. Taylor of East Ham writes to point out that the King in question was Henry III., the date 1264, and that the incident itself, which occurred at Flimwell, is to be found related in Farley's *History of the Weald of Kent*, vol. ii., part 1, pp. 83 and 84.

REVIEW.

The Grey Friars of Canterbury, 1224 to 1538. A contribution to the 700th Anniversary of their arrival in England. By CHARLES COTTON, O.B.E., F.R.C.P.E. British Society of Franciscan Studies. 1924.

ON the purely historical side the British Society of Franciscan Studies has no better subject for its work than the history of the English houses of the Order. But the task of compiling such a history of any individual house is not an easy one. Many of the houses were small, the records which they have left are commonly slight, and very often little or nothing survives of the actual buildings. To weave together the fragmentary material requires something more than the industry of an antiquary. If the work is to be successful the author must not only have a good knowledge of the mediæval history of the town where the house was situated, but also an intimate personal acquaintance with its present topography. Dr. Cotton, as honorary librarian of the Cathedral, and as one long resident in Canterbury, possesses in an eminent degree the necessary qualifications. The story of how Agnellus of Pisa and his eight companions arrived at Dover on 10 September 1224, as the first Franciscans who came to England, is too well known to need repetition. They stayed one night at Dover and then went on to Canterbury, where for two days they were hospitably