

their consent and to carry out the business of the foundation, they contain the appointment of the above-mentioned commissaries.

Then William Lynde produced the King's letters patent for the foundation of the college, sealed with the Great Seal, to which, after they had been read aloud by the notary, the commissaries gave their consent and authority. The foundation charter is then recited.

Then master Henry Sever, the Provost, and the priests, fellows, clerks, poor scholars and one infirm and poor man, John Burdon, named in the said charter, appeared before them and the commissaries erected the parish church into a collegiate church and decreed that it should be known as the collegiate church of the Blessed Mary of Eton.

On 20 October the church was appropriated to the Provost, Fellows and College. Before the commissaries sitting as a tribunal, William Lynde personally appeared and exhibited a certificate of citation made by William Haston, chaplain mandatory, on the instruction of the commissaries. The document, dated 13 October, is recited. It instructed him to summon the archdeacon and the incumbent and other interested parties to appear in the church on 20 October. Accordingly on 15 October, during the solemnization of mass, they had been summoned. Only the archdeacon and the incumbent appeared. All other parties were declared contumacious and precluded from objection to the appropriation. Bekynton then, as archdeacon of Buckingham, gave his consent to the appropriation and John Kette, rector and incumbent of the church, of his own free will resigned. His resignation is recited. The commissaries accepted the same and the archdeacon then inducted the Provost.

Witnesses: sir John Trevenant, rector of the parish church of Brampton, in the diocese of Lincoln, and William

Waryn, notary public, of the diocese of Worcester.

Eton, 20 October 1440.

Notarial certificate and mark of Robert Kent, who notes certain corrections he has made in the text.

Confirmation by the bishop of Lincoln of the actions of his commissaries.

The manor of Lidington, 6 December 1440.

Confirmation of the same by John Macworth, dean, and the chapter of Lincoln.

The Chapter House, Lincoln, 9 December 1440.

The initial is decorated with some elaborate penwork. The uprights contain on the left three lions and on the right three fleurs de lys. In the centre an angel with wings outspread holds a shield of the royal arms. Above is a royal crown.

Five Seals, pointed oval, red wax, on green silk cords.

(1) The bishop of Salisbury. Beneath a triple canopy the Virgin and Christ enthroned and crowned, she on the left with hands in prayer, he with right hand raised in blessing, in his left hand a cross on an orb. Between their heads the Holy Ghost. On either side a saint in thin niches. Above, God the father, with a figure on either side. In the base, the bishop kneeling in prayer in an arch between two shields of arms, on the left, the royal arms, on the right, a fesse between three asses passant (Ascough).

SIGILLUM: WILLELMI: DEI GRACIA: SARISBURIEN: EPI

[description and photograph of this seal, in Wiltshire Magazine vol.XXIV p.237.]

(2) Thomas Bekynton. 58 x 38 mm. The Virgin and Child in a Gethic niche with carved canopy and tabernacle work

at sides; below, a shield of arms, on a fesse between three bucks' heads cabossed in chief and in base as many pheons, an annulet.

SIGILLUM THOME BEKYNTON ARCHIDIACONI BUCKYNGHAMIE

(3) Richard Andrew. 55 x 33 mm. An archbishop, half length, mitred, lifting up the right hand in benediction, in the left hand a crozier, within a Gothic niche with carved canopy and tabernacle work at sides. In the base, under a trefoiled arch, an ecclesiastic kneeling in prayer between two open books placed on lecterns.

SIGILLŪ * OFFICIALITATIS * CURIE : CANTUARIENSIS.

[B.M. Cat. 1352]

(4) The bishop of Lincoln. As on no.2.

(5) The chapter of Lincoln. 73 x 48 mm. Originally 85 mm. in length, this seal being a little chipped at the base. Perfect specimens are found on nos. 27 and 65. In two trefoiled arches, beneath an architectural canopy with roof and pinnacle or spire, on left an angel addressing on right the Virgin, her right hand raised, in her left hand the model of a church, above her head the Holy Ghost. Over the canopy a crescent and a star. The corbel at the base decorated with foliage.

S' CAPITULI: ECCLESIE: LINCOLN: AD:[CAUSAS: E]T:
NEGOCIA: SET: NON: AD: ALIENANDŪ

The greater part of this document is incorporated in the bull of Eugenius IV of 28 January 1441, printed in full in Correspondence of Bekynton, vol.II pp.270 to 292.

The King to the Treasurer and Barons of the Exchequer,
reciting the patent of 25 March 1441. [see Eton College Records vol. 3]

A roll of one membrane.

Grant to Alice, late the wife of John Housworth, and Margaret, late the wife of John Water, of a parcel of a curtilage, sometime of Roger March, lying on the west end of the same curtilage between a tenement of the said Margaret on the south and a tenement of John Norfolk on the north and extending to the ditch of the meadow called Southmede in Eton, and containing in length 70 feet and in breadth 50 feet. To hold in perpetuity in exchange for a moiety of one curtilage lying in Eton between a tenement sometime of Walter Clay on the south and a tenement of Robert Goodgrome on the north, containing 80 feet in length and 24 feet in breadth and extending from the King's way leading through the middle of Eton towards the College of the Blessed Mary. With warranty.

Eltham, 20 December 1441.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on blue and red silk cords.
Slightly chipped at the bottom right hand of the obverse.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 to 1446, p.38]

Inspeximus of the foundation charter of 11 October 1440 and the endowment charter of 25 March 1441, and confirmation of the same with the authority of Parliament. And grant to the Provost and College of the chattels of their men and of many other rights and privileges.

25 January 1442.

Witnesses: H., archbishop of Canterbury, J., bishop of Bath and Wells, chancellor, W. bishop of Lincoln, and W. bishop of Salisbury, Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, John, duke of Norfolk, John, earl of Huntingdon, Humphrey, earl of Stafford, William, earl of Suffolk, John Lescrop, Ralph Cromwell, treasurer, and Ralph Botiller, Knights, and master William Lyndewode, the King's clerk, keeper of the privy seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, chipped away at top left, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread, in metal skipet.

The document consists of two large membranes. The initial H. contains an illuminated portrait of the King enthroned, holding a patent from which hangs a green wax seal. A crown above, supported by horned animals, beneath the crown a scroll on which is written DOMINE SALVUM FAC REGEM. On the left of the King's portrait, a shield of the royal arms, surrounded by the Garter and surmounted by a crown, all in gold, blue and red. To the right of the King, a shield of the arms of Edward the Confessor, gold on blue; and on the right side of the document, a shield of arms, East Anglia or St. Edmund.

Elaborate penwork on the top line.

Printed in full in Heywood and Wright pp.393 to 414.

Copy, on a roll of 4 membranes, of the foregoing.

On the dorse of this roll the following extracts from the Memoranda Rolls have been entered, viz.

(1) Pardon to the Provost and College, 26 November 1459.

[Among the recorda of Hilary 38 Henry VI.

Public Record Office, E.159/236 rot.2].

(2) Pardon to the same, 20 October 1456.

[Among the recorda of Michaelmas 35 Henry VI.

Public Record Office, E.368/229].

with a reference to the enrolment of the charter of 25 January 1442 on the K.R. Memoranda Roll among the recorda of Hilary 21 Henry VI [Public Record Office, E.159/219 rot.4], and other notes.

Copy on a roll of 6 ms. of an inspeximus of the charter of endowment of 25 March 1441. The roll has been cut at the top and the document did not begin with the inspeximus, two lines of the earlier part being left. At the end is written Queratur residuum hujus bulle in alio rotulo veteri.

Grant in frankalmoin, in order that the building of the College may proceed more easily, to Henry Sever, Provost, and the College of Eton of a curtilage lying on the north of the cemetery of the church of the college, containing 60 feet in length and 30 feet in breadth, called Hundercombesgardyne, which the King lately bought from William Whaplade, Nicholas Clopton and John Faryndon; and a tenement, sometime of John Rolff, called Rolffeshawe, lying between the King's tenement on the south and the land of the College called le Werde on the north and extending from the King's way leading from Windesore to le Slough to the curtilage of the College; and a curtilage lying between a tenement sometime of Walter Clay on the south and a tenement late of Robert Goodgrome on the

north; and 9^d yearly rent issuing from the said tenement of the said Robert; and 6^d yearly rent issuing from a tenement late of Thomas Pete and Alice, his wife; the said tenement, curtilage and rents having been lately bought by the King from Thomas Jourdeley, son and heir of John Jourdeley, of Eton; also two tenements lying together in Eton, of which one was sometime of Richard Knyght and the other of William Haryes, lying between the cemetery of the church on the south and land sometime of Walter Clay on the north and extending from the King's way leading through the middle of Eton on the west to the said curtilage sometime of John Hundercombe on the east, which the King lately bought from Hugh Aylewyn alias Dyer; and a messuage with a curtilage adjacent in Eton between a messuage sometime of William Symond on one side and a messuage sometime of Peter Eltham on the other in breadth, extending in length from the way leading through the middle of Eton to a path lately leading towards the College, which messuage the King lately bought from Robert Goodgrome alias Benorthe; and a moiety of a curtilage in Eton lying between a messuage sometime of the said Walter Clay on the south and a tenement of the said Robert Goodgrome on the north, containing in length from the way leading through the middle of Eton 80 feet and in breadth 24 feet, which the King lately bought from Alice late the wife of John Housworthe and Margaret late the wife of John Water of Eton; and a messuage in Eton between the land sometime of William Rolff on the east and the way leading through the middle of Eton on the west, the land sometime of the said William on the south and the said path lately leading towards the College on the north, which the King lately had by quitclaim of the said Thomas Pete and Alice, his wife, by a fine levied at Westminster at Michaelmas last before Richard Neuton and his fellow justices.

Westminster, 31 January 1442.

By the King.

11

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited red and green silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

12

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

13

Grant to William, bishop of Salisbury, William, earl of Suffolk, Thomas Bekynton, the King's clerk and secretary, John Carpenter, clerk, Henry Sever, Provost of Eton College, and John Hampton, esquire of the body, of 3000 marks granted to the King as a subsidy by the commonalty of the county of Chester, to be paid by instalments of 500 marks at midsummer and Martinmas, and of the fine or fines due to the King by Katharine, duchess of Norfolk, the elder, and Thomas Strangways, esquire, for their marriage without the King's licence.

Westminster, 5 March 1442.

By the King.

Half the Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 to 1446, p.50].

14

Another copy of the foregoing.

Seal as on foregoing.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of all the King's lands, tenements, rents and services in the township and parish of Eton, together with all privileges attaching thereto both within and without Windsor forest.

Westminster, 24 January 1443.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

Indenture between Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, and William Waynflete, clerk, Provost of Eton. By Letters Patent of 1 December last the King granted the duke certain annuities for his life from divers farms and customs in recompense for certain other rents, farms, annuities etc, to the intent that the duke should release all his estate in the latter to the Provost and College (though this is not stated in the Patent). The duke now undertakes to make the said release as soon as it may be done after due allowance be had to them unto whom it belongs in the Exchequer to make the payment to the duke for the first year of the said farms and customs granted him by the said Letters Patent, by a sealed deed of surrender to be delivered to the Provost. In the meantime he grants the Provost and College all the said rents, farms etc, as set out in an attached schedule, from Michaelmas last for one year.

The indenture in English, the schedule Latin.

Westminster, 8 February 1443.

Seal of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, round, 100 mm., red wax, on doubled tag, equestrian. The royal arms on his shield and vest, and on the horse's caparison. A good deal of the right side and left lower missing.

2 ms.

SIGILLUM HUM.....RIE COM.... ..MBROCHIE
MAGNIQ3 : CAMERARII ANGLIE

Licence for Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, to grant to the Provost and College of Eton 100s yearly farm from the abbot of Redyng for lands and tenements in Esthenrith, 7l:6s:8d from the issues, profits and fruits of the alien priory, manors or lordships of Cottesford, cos. Oxford and Lincoln, 33s:4d a year from the issues of a mill at Goryng, co. Oxford, 18l:13s:4d a year from the issues of the alien priory of Blakenham, co. Suffolk, 18l a year from the issues of the alien priory of Preston, co. Sussex, 16l:13s:4d a year from the issues of the alien priory of Hoo, co. Sussex, 19l a year from the issues of the manors or lordships of Totyngbek, co. Surrey, 16l a year from the issues of the alien priory of Lesyngham, co. Norfolk, 30l a year from the issues of the alien priories of Cretyng and Everdon, cos. Suffolk and Northampton, 18l a year from the issues of the alien priory of Sporle, co. Norfolk, 40s a year from the impost of the alien priory of Tikford by Neweport Paynell, co. Bedford, 4l a year from the ancient impost of the alien priory of Folkeston, 8l:13s:4d a year from the issues of the alien priory of Mynstrel Lovell [co. Oxford], 8l:6s:8d a year from the issues of all manors and lands in co. Wilts. belonging to the deanery of Mordeyn, 31l:6s:8d a year from the issues of the administration of all the fruits of the church of Sturmynstre Marchall, co. Dorset, and of certain tenements in Charleton in the same county which were of the hospital of St. Giles of Pont Audemer in Normandy, 20l a year from the issues of the alien priory of Dekkyng, co. Norfolk, 22l a year from the issues of the manor of Charleton, co. Wilts, 13l:6s:8d a year from the issues of the alien priory of Cogges, 7l:6s:8d a year from the issues of the alien priory of Stratfeldsay, 40l a year from the issues of the alien priory of Clatford, co. Wilts, 25l a year from the issues of the alien priory of Stoke Urcy, cos. Somerset and Dorset, 7l a year from the issues of the alien priory of St. Helen in the Isle of Wight, co. Hants, 7l:18s:5d a year

from the issues of the priory in Suthwyke, co. Hants, from the farm of Colymer and 40l a year from the alien priory of Toftys and manor of Toftis, co. Norfolk. To hold from Michaelmas last for the life of the duke, who had the premises inter alia by patent of 16 July 1439 for his life.

Westminster, 1 March 1443.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Pardon to the Provost and College for all trespasses they have perpetrated in the prosecution, reception or execution of any letters or bulls whatsoever of the Highest Pontiff to their use or interest whatsoever before the twentieth day of February last contrary to the form of the Statutes of Provisors. And licence to the same to prosecute receive and execute such letters without molestation of the ministers of the crown.

Westminster, 8 March 1443.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and red silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant by Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, to the Provost and College of the rents mentioned in no.17. From Michaelmas last for the life of the duke.

2 April 1443.

Seal, round, 85 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

A good deal of the border missing. A shield couched, the arms of France and England quarterly, helm with mantling and crest on a cap of estate a lion statant guardant crowned; supporters two antelopes accolled with royal crown.

...HUMFRIDI FILII FRIS AUUNCULI.....CIS
GLOUCESTRIE COMITIS P.....

Enrolled on the K.R. Memoranda Roll among the Scripta Recognita of Trinity 21 Henry VI [Public Record Office E.159/219].

Indenture of grant by William Waynflete, Provost, and the College of Eton to Thomas Bekynton, archdeacon of Buckingham, and his successors of a yearly rent or payment of 5s, with bond in 20d for each payment, in indemnity for the erection of the parish church of Eton into a collegiate church.

Eton College, 2 May 1443.

Seal, red wax, on green silk cords, as on no.5.

Grant to the Provost and College of all those sheep and seven cows which lately belonged to one Robert Toppis and have now been eschaeted by the eschaetor of Norfolk and Suffolk and are in a certain manor belonging to the College.

2 May 1443.

Half the Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, chipped away at top left.

Licence for the burgesses and good men of the borough of New Wyndesore to grant in mortmain to the Provost and College of Eton all the waters and fisheries in the river Thames granted to them by reason of the farm at which they hold their borough by letters patent dated 10 September 9 Edward I (1281).

Westminster, 3 July 1443.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited red and white silk cords.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 to 1446 p.179].

Quitclaim by Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, to the Provost and College of Eton of all actions in respect of those manors, priories etc granted him for life by the crown, which now, by his letters patent of 2 April 1443, enrolled in the Exchequer, he has surrendered to the said Provost and College.

6 July 1443.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag, as on no.20.

Grant in frankalmoign to the Provost and College of a place of land in Eton in which a capital messuage of the King was situated, containing an acre and 3 roods of land measured by the barons' perch and 10 acres lying together on the east side of the College in a close called le Worth alias le Warde alias le Kyngeswerde between the water of the Thames on the west (sic) and the highway which leads from Eton towards le Slough on the west (sic), and an acre of arable lying in Lymecrofte in le Southfeld between the land of John Water on the south and extending from the King's land on the west to the highway which leads from Eton towards le Wike on the east, which acre together with the advowson of the church of Eton the King lately had of the grant of William Waplade, Nicholas Clopton and John Faryndon, esquires.

Westminster, 8 August 1443.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and green silk cords. Cracked.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant by William, bishop of Lincoln, at the request of the King and with the consent of the chapter of Lincoln and of Thomas Bekynton, archdeacon of Buckingham, that the Provost and College of Eton and the parishioners of Eton shall be free from the jurisdiction of the archdeacon of Buckingham, and assignation to the Provost of the archidiaconal authority within the said College. As imdemnity to the archdeacon the College is to pay 22s:11d yearly.

The manor of Lidyngton, 7 September 1443.

Confirmation by the Dean and Chapter.

The Chapter House, Lincoln, 8 September 1443.

Confirma_tion by Thomas Bekynton, archdeacon of Buckingham.

The chapel of the Blessed Mary of Colbrook, 12 September 1443.

Three Seals, red wax, on green silk cords.

- (1) The Chapter. As on no.5.
- (2) The Bishop. As on no.2. A good deal of the right side chipped away.
- (3) The Archdeacon. As on no.5.

The initial U contains a drawing of the Assumption with four angels. The Virgin draped in ermine wearing a crown with a tall pointed cap, surmounted by a ball. The uprights contain, on the left the royal arms, on the right a heraldic beast gorged, holding a banner with the cross of St. George in red upon it. Ornamental penwork at the top and left side which includes a dragon, a rabbit, two scrolls, and, at the top right, a shield of arms, a cross moline, surmounted by a mitre.

Another copy of the foregoing, larger and even more beautifully decorated.

Three Seals, red wax, on green silk cords. As on the foregoing.

The initial U contains a drawing of the Assumption with four angels. The Virgin is draped in ermine, the flesh is tinted pink. The uprights contain, on the left the royal arms, on the right St. George slaying the dragon. A red cross is on his vest.

To the left and below, the King in ermine-lined gown and cap, kneeling in prayer at a desk with an open book on it. From his mouth issues a scroll on which is written
SALVE REGINA MATER MISERICORD

Above the initial is a crown supported by leopards. Floral decoration to the left of the initial and ornamental penwork on the top line, including a garter in the form of S, and four feathers issuing from scrolls and, to the right, a shield of arms, a cross moline, surmounted by a mitre.

Indenture of grant by William Waynflete, Provost, and the fellows of the College of Eton to Thomas Bekynton, archdeacon of Buckingham, and his successors of a yearly pension of 22s:11d from their manor of Bledlow, co. Bucks, in consideration of the indemnity granted to them by the bishop of Lincoln from the archdeacon's jurisdiction.

Eton College, 10 September 1443.

Seal of Bekynton, red wax, on pink silk cords, as on no.5.

For the royal licence to make this grant, dated 16 September 1443, see Eton College Records vol.7 no.65.

Public instrument testifying that on 15 September 1443 in the chapel of St. Nicholas within the collegiate church of Eton in the presence of William, earl of Suffolk, master Thomas Bekynton, keeper of the Privy Seal, master John Carpenter, master of the hospital of St. Anthony in London, master Richard Andrew, the King's secretary, and master William Say, the King's chaplain, also of master John Clerc, vice-provost of the college, and of masters Thomas Harlow, William Weye, William Westbury, Thomas Weston and John Boner, fellows, and of John Blakeney, John Say and Richard Fowey, public notaries, William Waynflete, Provost, sitting and declaring the King's intentions concerning his lately founded colleges, added amongst other things that the poor scholars of Eton, when sufficiently grounded in grammar, should be received for further education at the college of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas and that no others should be admitted until these had first been admitted. The Provost then admitted two masters of arts, William Hatteclyff and William Town, of the dioceses of Coventry and Lichfield and of Lincoln, to be gremials of Eton College. They made their oath, which is recited. He then admitted John Langport and Robert Dummer, of the dioceses of Salisbury and Winchester, as poor scholars, later to be transferred to the college of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas. They made oath.

Notarial certificate and mark of John Blakeney.

Public instrument testifying that on 17 September 1443 in a certain low room at present the common hall of the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas Cambridge, there being present and seated master Thomas Bekynton, keeper of the Privy Seal, master John Langton, chancellor of the university, master Richard Andrew, the King's secretary, and master William Say, the King's chaplain, and in the presence of John Blakeney, John Say and Richard Fowey, public notaries, a commission of the King to the said Bekynton, Langton, Andrew and Say, under the Privy Seal, was read, instructing them to receive the oath from master William Millyngton, Provost of the college of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas. Millyngton then made the oath, which is recited, in the presence of master William Sutton, master John Feche, and John Shiringham, notary public.

Notarial certificate and mark of John Blakeney.

Public instrument declaring that on 17 September 1443 in a certain low room called the common hall in the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas Cambridge, in the presence of masters Thomas Bekynton, keeper of the privy seal, John Langton, chancellor of the university, Richard Andrew, the King's secretary, and William Say, the King's chaplain, and of John Blakeney, John Say and Richard Fowey, public notaries, before master William Millyngton, Provost of the said College, a letter patent from the Provost of the College of Eton was read, sealed with the seal of the latter College, dated 14 July 1443, sending, according to the King's wish and the terms of their foundations, masters William Hatteclyf and William Town, masters of arts, and John Langport, Richard Cove and Robert Dummer, poor and indigent scholars, of Eton, to be admitted to the Cambridge College. The letter patent is recited.

After diligent interrogation of the two masters, the Provost admitted them to fellowships. They then took their oaths. The oath is recited.

Langport and Dummer, after diligent interrogation, were then admitted scholars.

Witnesses: master William Sutton, doctor in decrees, master John Foche, bachelor in decrees, and John Shiringham, notary public.

17 September 1443.

Notarial certificate and mark of John Blakeney, clerk, of the diocese of Norwich, notary public.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of the remainder of the manor or priory of Bekford, cos. Gloucester and Lincoln, upon the death of the King's knight, Robert Roos who holds the same by letters patent for life.

Westminster, 15 February 1444.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, the right border broken away.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 to 1446, p.243]

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton and all persons inhabiting the town or parish of Eton that no taker or purveyor of victuals for the royal household or other royal minister may take from them any corn, hay, oxen, sheep, cows, pigs, piglets, poultry, fish, or other victuals, carts, boats, straw or other goods against their will, upon pain of 10*l* of which half is to go to the crown and half to the college. No host (hospitator), taker or purveyor of the household or other minister is to harbour any persons within the town or parish against the will of the Provost or his representative, but all the houses are to be for the boys and scholars coming there for their education or for persons connected with the College, at the discretion of the Provost.

Witnesses: J. archbishop of Canterbury, W. bishop of Lincoln, W. bishop of Salisbury, Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, John, duke of Exeter, Humphrey, earl of Stafford, William, earl of Suffolk, steward of the household, Ralph de Cromwell and Ralph Botiller, treasurer, Knights, master Adam Moleyns, keeper of the privy seal.

Westminster, 20 June 1444.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on thin red and blue threads.

The initial letter has not been filled in.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the park of Langleys Marys, co. Bucks, with the site of the manor and certain lands called Courtwyke, Courtgardeyn and Chalvingcroft and the old ponds.

Westminster, 12 September 1444.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and red silk cords.

The initial letters not filled in.

[Cal. Patent Rolls 1441 - 1446 p.294]

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant to William, Marquess of Suffolk, master William Waynflete, Provost of the College of Eton, and John Hampton, esquire of the King's body, of the wardship and marriage of the heir of John Speke, esquire, deceased.

Westminster, 1 December 1444.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 - 1446, p.314]

Grant to William, Marquess of Suffolk, William Wynflete (sic), Provost of the College of Eton, and John Hampton, esquire of the King's body, of the wardship and marriage of the heir of John Speke, esquire, deceased, and the fine for the heir's mother's marriage without licence.

Westminster, 19 December 1444.

By the King.

Half the Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 - 1446, p.316]

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of all the King's lands etc. in the town and parish of Eton, with all commons, easements, franchises etc. as well within as without the forest of Windsor, thereto appertaining, free of all ward of Windsor Castle, hidage, beaupleader, aids and view of frankpledge from Michaelmas last.

Westminster, 24 January 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441 - 1446, p.360]

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Licence for Robert Roos, Knight, to surrender to the Provost and College of Eton all his estate in the manor or priory of Bekford, cos. Gloucester and Lincoln, granted to him for life by letters patent of 8 September 1438; the remainder of the said manor or priory having been granted to them by letters patent of 15 February 1444.

Westminster, 12 March 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

[Cal. Patent Rolls 1441 - 1446 p.360]

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the reversion of the manor of Wyrardisbury, co. Bucks, which John Fraye holds for life.

Westminster, 11 April 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread. Broken in half, and a good deal missing.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

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Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the reversion of the house, manor or lordship of Grevebury alias of Leghton Busard, co. Bedford, with all lands and tenements pertaining to the same in Stodeham, co. Bedford, Neweford and Blanford, co. Dorset, Stukeley, Northalle, Edelesburgh and Rodemache, co. Bucks, Compton St. John, Portesmouth and Burnegge, cos. Sussex and Hants, Rundale and Bierlingismile, co. Kent, and the church of Tyntagell, co. Cornwall, upon the death of Alice, wife of William, marquis of Suffolk, formerly the wife of John Philipp, Knight, deceased.

The said Alice held the premises in feetail, the issue being extinct, by virtue of a grant from William Philip, Knight, Thomas Chaucers, esquire, Thomas Derham, John Throkmarton and John Wode to her and her late husband, John Philip; the reversion, by virtue of another grant, to go to William Mountford and William Peyto, Knights, John Verney, clerk, John Nanfan, John Bovyll and Thomas Huggefurd, esquires, and Robert Stanschawe. The latter on 25 March 1445 assigned the said reversion to the crown.

Westminster, 11 April 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Pardon for Robert, bishop of London, the abbots of St. Albans and Westminster, and the Provost and College of Eton for all trespasses in the applying for, receiving, reading, etc. of any bulls or letters from the Pope contrary to the Statutes of Provisors before this date. And licence for them to apply for, receive, read etc. any such bulls or letters.

Westminster, 11 April 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag. Broken at top left.

Certificate by Robert, Prior of St. Mary of Bridlington and the convent there, of delivery to King Henry VI, by the hands of the Duke of Warwick, of a joint of the finger and a joint of the spine of the blessed confessor John, prior of Bridlington.

Bridlington chapter-house, 26 June 1445.

Seal, green wax, pointed oval, 85 x 60 mm., on doubled tag. Beneath a Gothic canopy, in two niches a female and male; her hand raised in prayer; his higher, in benediction.

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton of two fairs at Eton upon their own ground called Mychelmylwardeshay and elsewhere in the town and parish as they appoint viz. three days following Ash Wednesday and six days following 13 August¹, with all liberties etc. except such fairs be to the nuisance of neighbouring fairs. No purveyors, buyers, takers or ministers of the King or any other magnate shall take anything in the said fairs or make any prise there against the will of the Provost and College, or the men coming to the said fairs, upon pain of imprisonment to be inflicted by the ministers of the Provost and College, the offenders to remain in prison until they have made amends for their trespass. The Provost and College to have cognisance of all pleas of trespasses and contracts and of others arising in the said fairs to be held there in their court before their steward or bailiff appointed to that end, to the exclusion of the jurisdiction of the King's justice, eschaetor, sheriff, steward, marshal of the marshalsey, coroner, clerk of the market or any other minister, so that all coming to the said fairs shall be free of all arrest and disturbance from these justices and officers, as well themselves as their goods and chattels, notwithstanding any statutes, ordinances or acts to the contrary.

Witnesses: John, Archbishop of Canterbury and chancellor, William, Bishop of Lincoln, Thomas, Bishop of Bath and Wells, John, Duke of Exeter, Humphrey Duke of Buckingham, Ralph Boteller, Lord Sudeley, Treasurer, and John Beauchamp, Knights, master Adam Moleyns, clerk, keeper of the privy seal.

Westminster

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1. A note scribbled on the tag reads:
quintum decimum diem mensis Augusti ita quod nullus
dies dominicus computetur inter dictos sex dies.

That is to say, Sundays are not to be reckoned within the six days.

Westminster, 29 July 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

This grant does not appear on the Charter Roll, though the warrant for it, signed "R.H." survives [P.R.O. C81/1437]. A similar grant, however, had already been made on 24 December 1443 [Eton College Records vol.31 no.413], in which the second fair was to start on the feast of the Assumption (15 August), and not on 13 August. [Cal. Charter Rolls, 1427 to 1516, p.39. There is an error in the Calendar, the second fair being given as lasting for three days instead of for six days]. The First Report of the Royal Commission on Market Rights and Tolls (1889), app. p.139, gives only the Ash Wednesday fair for Eton in the 1792 list of fairs, and, in the 1888 list, no fair there at all.

The first copy of this patent, with green wax seal attached, is catalogued in Eton College Records vol.31 no.415.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of the reversion of a rent of 50 marks, granted by Patent of 20 February 1444 to Eleanor and Edward Hull for their lives in survivorship, payable by the abbey of St. Alban's.

Westminster, 24 November 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, slightly chipped at bottom left.

Another copy of the foregoing.

Not sealed.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

Confirmation of a grant by the prior of the church of St. Mary, Merton, and the convent there, of 8 June 1443, to the Provost and College of Eton of a weir on the Thames in Upton, co. Bucks, of old called Bullokyslok, with the fishery and waters pertaining, to wit, from the east corner of the land or close called le Werde on the west to the fishery in the river called Cokkeshole on the east, and with four "heytes" and all those lands, tenements, meadows, feeding grounds and pastures with torrents called Michilmylwardeshay, Millepond alias Milledam and Cowepennyng, enclosed and lying by Eton, to wit, between the Thames on the east and the highway which leads from New Windsor towards le Sloughe and between le Werde on the south and the way which leads from Spitalbrigge towards Dacet on the north, and extending by the bank of the Thames from le Werde for 40 feet beyond Cowepennyng on the west; all which lands they held in frankalmoign. To hold in exchange for 100s yearly which the abbot of Redyng pays the Provost and College from a yearly farm for lands and tenements in Esthenryth, co. Berks, of the King's grant.

And confirmation of a grant by the same to the same, of 8 February 1444, of all predial tithes which pertained to them by right of the parish church of Upton from the premises.

Westminster, 24 November 1445.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

It is noted on the front of the turn over that the document is enrolled with John Mynne, the King's auditor of Windsor Castle.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

Another copy of the foregoing.

By Privy Seal.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton and to the Provost and Scholars of the College of St. Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge, of the nomination of scholars in King's Hall¹*, founded by Edward III for a warden and 32 scholars in the university of Cambridge, the nomination to be exercised by the Provosts alternately, the Provost of Eton to name "unum de choristis vel de scolaribus gremialibus eiusdem collegii aut unum ex grammaticam discentibus infra illud collegium", the Provost of King's College "unum de choristis vel de scolaribus gremialibus" of his college; such scholars to be at least 14 years of age as certified by the provost, and competently instructed in the rudiments of grammar by report of the provost, and without further examination.

Westminster, 26 January 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

1. The document reads aula legis instead of aula Regis.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton, of an island called le Eyte or Le Heyte in Eton between the water of the Thames on the south, the College on the north, the main channel (filum aquae) of the river on the east and a croft called Mille Crofte, formerly Hundrecombescrofte on the west.

Westminster, 1 February 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white cords and gold thread.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, slightly chipped away at lower right side.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of three fields lying together, with a rabbit warren, called Hullefeld, Shepcotefeld and The Lee and another field called Denefeld, together with a garden called Colverhousgardeyn, and a piece of arable lying in a field called Prioereslymore and a close called Ley Crofte, a meadow called Cornewaleyslitelmede and a virgate in a meadow called Bossemede and a copse called Hullebusshes and all those lands, meadows, woods and pastures which Bernard Sounderdon once had in Huchenden, co. Bucks, called Cornewaleyslondes; which the crown lately had from John Colshulle, of Huchenden.

Westminster, 1 February 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, broken away at sides.

Grant by Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, with the assent and licence of the King, of 26l:13s:4d and 11l:6s:8d yearly which formerly the prior of Parlegh used to pay from a yearly farm to the nuns of Mortiginate. From 3 February last for his life. These rents were included in the 2000 marks yearly which the King granted the duke by letters patent on 14 July 1439 for his life. On 25 March 1441 the King had granted inter alia the reversion of the said rents to the Provost and College of Eton.

And grant to the same of all rents and services he has in the alien lordship or priory of Clatford, lately pertaining to his castle or lordship of Merleburgh, co. Wilts, and in the alien lordship or priory of St. Helen's in the Isle of Wight, co. Hants, lately pertaining to his lordship of the Isle of Wight. And surrender of all his estate, interest and possession in the said rents, services and priories. And quitclaim of all his right in all the premises.

16 February 1446.

Seal of the duke, red wax, on plaited green and red silk cords. A good deal of the left side missing.
As on no.16.

SIGILLUM HUMFRIDI FILII FRATRIS AU...ULI ..GUM
DUCIS GLOUCESTRIE COM..... CAMERARIUM
ANGLIE

Two initial letters on the top line have not been filled in.

The consolidation charter of 5 March 1446.

As this long document, which, in addition to the new grants it contains, recites and confirms fifteen royal charters, is printed in full both in Rotuli Parliamentorum, vol.V, pp.75-87 and in Heywood and Wright's The Ancient Laws for King's College Cambridge and Eton College, pp.415-459, it has not been transcribed here. The persons and places named in it, however, have been indexed.

The witnesses consist of the two archbishops, fifteen bishops, fourteen abbots, one prior, four dukes, two marquesses, seven earls, two viscounts, ten knights, two justices and the chief baron of the Exchequer.

There are two copies of the charter at Eton:-

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The first copy consists of four large membranes, the top one of which is beautifully illuminated. This illumination has been reproduced in facsimile and appears in black and white in Maxwell Lyte's History of Eton College. It is the work of William Abell, as appears from an entry in the audit roll of 1477-8. There is a description of it by Dr. M.R. James in the College library.

The Great (Golden) Seal, green wax, on blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

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This copy consists of two large membranes. Ornamental penwork on the top line of the first membrane.

The Great Seal, green wax, only the lower half surviving, on plaited lilac and pink silk cords.

Exemplification of a proviso in grants of priories, manors, lands, franchises etc. to the Provost and Scholars of the Royal College of St. Mary and St. Nicholas at Cambridge, confirmed by authority of Parliament 25 February 1445, whereby the Provost and College of Eton are secured against prejudice by reason of the said grants.

Westminster, 8 April 1446.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

[Cal. Patent Rolls 1441-1446 p.443]

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton that they may have in perpetuity within the precincts of the College public and general grammar schools which as they are to exceed all other grammar schools of the realm in affluence of endowment and in pre-excellence of foundation, so in the prerogative of name they are to excel the same, as is fitting, and to be named the general royal Schools and called the mirror and mistress of all other grammar Schools; and no other grammar schools are to be founded in Windsor or elsewhere within ten miles. The College of the Blessed Mary of Eton had been founded for seventy scholars to learn the knowledge of grammar (scienciam gramaticalem), and sixteen boys choristers similarly, while being sufficiently instructed in singing, to learn grammar, and one master instructor (informator) in grammar, and an usher to teach the said boys, scholars and choristers, and any others whencesoever and from whatever parts they should flock to learn the said knowledge in the rudiments of grammar, free of charge and without any pecuniary exaction.

Westminster, 3 June 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited red and white silk cords, a certain amount chipped away at top left and lower right.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

[This document is not on the Patent Roll, but the warrant, signed "R.H." by the King, is among the Chancery warrants (P.R.O. C.81/1439 no.21)].

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

This document is copied also on no.90.

Licence to all inhabitants of the parish of Eton to grant lands etc. in mortmain to the Provost and College of Eton in frankalmoign or for a light on the high altar or an image in the church of Eton or for divine services; and to the Provost and College to receive the same.

Witnesses: John Archbishop of Canterbury and Chancellor, William Bishop of Salisbury, Adam Bishop of Chichester, keeper of the privy seal, Humfrey, Duke of Gloucester, John Duke of Exeter, Humfrey Duke of Buckingham, Edmund Marquess of Dorset, William Marquess of Suffolk, Richard, Earl of Salisbury, John, Earl of Shrewsbury, John, Viscount Beaumont, Sir Ralph Cromwell, Sir Ralph Botiller, Treasurer of England, knights.

Westminster, 25 June 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Confirmation by John, archbishop of Canterbury and papal legate, of the statutes of the College, especially of one [recited] concerning visitation by the metropolitan and ordinary visitation by the bishop of Lincoln.

Lambeth, 6 July 1446.

Confirmed also by the prior and convent of Christchurch, Canterbury, who would exercise the archbishop's powers during any vacancy of the see, 14 July 1446.

Two Seals, red wax.

(1) The archbishop. Pointed oval, 92 x 55 mm., on plaited pink and blue silk cords. Beneath a triple canopy, St. Thomas kneeling in prayer to the Virgin enthroned. On the right three knights armed, attacking him. To the right and left figures in Gothic compartments. Above, and in the centre niche God the father seated, both hands raised in blessing, on either side in a niche an angel. Below, in a rounded arch, the archbishop in prayer, between two shields of arms, on the left the see of Canterbury, on the right on a chevron a mitre.

..... [? SEDIS GEN] ARCHIEPI CANTUARIENS

(2) Christchurch. Round, 94 mm., on plaited pink silk cords.

Obverse. The church with three towers. Between the towers two angels swinging censers.

SIGILLUM. : ECCLESIE : XPISTI : CANTUARIE : PRIME :
SEDIS : BRITANNIE :

Reverse. The church without towers. Through a double archway can be seen the murder of St. Thomas. Several figures in archways and windows. Above the roof, two angels with crowns.

+ EST HUIC VITA MORI PRO QUA DUM VIXIT AMORI
MORS ERAT ET MEMORI PER MORTEM VIVIT HONORI

[A full description of this seal in B.M. Catalogue no.1373].

The King to his lieges inhabiting the parish of the collegiate church of Eton, who are liable to heavy burdens in the repair of the nave of the church and the enclosure of the cemetery and in the finding and repairing of chalices, books and vestments. Except and apart from the due and accustomed maintenance of a parish clerk there, release to the said parishioners from all customary obligations but the payment of tithes and oblations, together with mortuaries which they have been accustomed to pay for forgotten tithes. This exonerat[i]on must not be taken as an excuse for diminishing their devotion in the providing of offerings and lights and other pious works.

Westminster, 17 July 1446.

By the King.

The Great (Golden) Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

See Etoniana 25 for transcript.

Confirmation by William, bishop of Lincoln, of the Statutes of Eton College, especially one [recited] concerning the visitation of the bishop.

The manor of the Old Temple near the city of London
20 July 1446.

Confirmed by the dean and chapter of Lincoln.

Lincoln [date not completed] 1446.

Two Seals, red wax,

- (1) The bishop, as on no.2, on plaited blue and red silk cords.
- (2) The dean and chapter, as on no.5, on pink silk cords.

Mandate, to all admirals, captains, keepers of castles, customers, wardens of ports, justices, eschaetors, sheriffs, coroners, mayors, reeves, bailiffs, constables, purveyors and other ministers to permit the Provost and College of Eton and their men, farmers and tenants to enjoy the privileges and liberties granted to them by charter with the consent of Parliament. The liberties are recited.

Similar liberties were granted to King's College and all the clauses of this long document can be found, though not in the same order, in the grant to King's College of 16 March 1446, printed in Rotuli Parliamentorum vol.V pp.93 to 101. A grant to Eton precisely tallying with the wording of this mandate has not been found.

Westminster, 22 July 1446.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the priory of Shirborne alias Westshirburne of the Monks, co. Hants.

Westminster, 2 September 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

There is a copy of this document on no.108.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the hospital of St. Bartholomew by Rye co. Sussex with the keeping of the same, formerly held by William Parker, clerk, who has surrendered his patent.

Westminster, 2 September 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.
A good deal missing on left side and at upper right.

There is a copy of this document on no.108.

Licence for William, marquess of Suffolk, and Alice, his wife, to grant in frankalmoign to the Provost and College of Eton the house, manor or lordship of Grovebury alias Leghton Busard, co. Bedford, and the church of Tyntagell, co. Cornwall, and a messuage, 3 tofts, 60 acres of arable, 6 acres of meadows, 40 acres of pasture and 20s rent in Stodeham, [co. Beds.], 19 messuages, 7 tofts, 140 acres of arable, 14 acres of meadow, 140 acres of pasture, 100 acres of wood and 40l rent in Newford and Blanford, co. Dorset, 70 messuages 12 tofts, 500 acres of arable, 100 acres of meadow, 300 acres of pasture, 100 acres of wood and 100s rent in Stukeley, Northalle, Edelesburgh and Rodenache, co. Bucks, 20 messuages, 8 tofts, 300 acres of arable, 60 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 40 acres of wood and 20s rent in Compton St. John, co. Sussex, 10 messuages, 9 tofts, 200 acres of arable, 20 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood and 20s rent in Portesmouth and Burghegge, co. Hants, which they hold for the life of the said Alice with reversion to the grantees. Previous grants referred to as in no. 43. The grantees to pay a yearly rent for the life of Alice in the parish church of Ewelme, co. Oxford, of 220l. If the rent is in arrears the grantors may distrain upon the premises and upon the manors of Langley Marreys and Bledlowe, co. Bucks.

Westminster, 9 September 1446.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the alien priory of Derhurst, co. Gloucester, of the order of St. Benedict, a cell of the abbey of St. Denis in France.

Westminster, 10 November 1446.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, a good deal of the left and of the lower right side missing.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton and the Provost and Scholars of the Royal College of St. Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge of the donation and collation of the wardenship of the hall called the Kingeshalle in the University of Cambridge and the donation presentation and collation of all scholars of the said hall, the gift of the wardenship to take effect after the death or vacation of Richard Caudray, clerk, now warden, the said rights to be exercised as shall be determined upon between them.

Westminster, 24 February 1447.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, a good deal of the upper right side missing.

This document is copied on no. 90.

Grant in frankalmoign, with the authority of Parliament, to the Provost and College of Eton of the reversion of the alien priory of Derhurst, which Hugh Maugason, prior of the same, a fellow monk (commonachus) of St. Denis in France, holds for life; and the manor of Langley Marreys, co. Bucks, with the reversion of the manor of Wyrardesbury, a member of the said manor, which manor of Wyrardesbury John Fray, chief baron of the Exchequer, holds for life, the manor of Langley with its members having come into the hands of Edward I by the minority of Ralph Plaiz, heir of Aveline Montfichet, and being still in the hands of the crown though recognised as belonging to Elizabeth, wife of John, earl of Oxford, as heir of the said Ralph; and all the lordship, lands, tenements, rents etc of the late Robert Hungreford, Knight, lord of Moleyns, in Eton and New and Old Windesore, which belonged to the said Robert by right of Eleanor, his wife, daughter and heir of William Moleyns, Knight, late lord of Moleyns, deceased. With warranty. And if the grantees should be justly evicted from any of the premises, the crown will give them property of the same value.

And grant of two fairs within their lordship of Leghton Busard, co. Beds., one on the vigil of the Ascension, on Ascension day and on the three days following, and the other on the vigil of St. Edward, King and Confessor, on St. Edward's day and on the four days following.

With the proviso that no English liege by reason of the foregoing grants shall be deprived of any legitimate annuity or rent from the premises, and that, upon the death or other vacation of the said prior, the Provost and scholars of the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge are to have lands of the said priory to the value of 100 marks a year, to be defined by the bishop of Lincoln at the time.

Witnesses

Witnesses: the archbishops, the bishops of London, Exeter, Carlisle, Lincoln, Rochester, Salisbury, Durham, Bath and Wells, Llandaff, Worcester, Chichester and Norwich, the abbots of Glastonbury, St. Peter's Gloucester, Beaulieu, St. Alban's, Hyde by Winchester, Abyndon, St. Augustine's Canterbury, St. John's Colchester, Redyng, Malmesbury, Wynchecombe, Waltham St. Cross, Peterborough and Ramsey, the dukes of York, Exeter, Norfolk and Buckingham, the marquesses of Dorset and Suffolk, the earls of Arundell, Devon, Salisbury, Oxford, Westmorland and Northumberland, the viscounts Beaumont and d'Eu, Edmund Gray of Ruthyn, James Audeley, Reginald la Warr, John Lescrop, Leo de Wellys, Walter Hungreford, Ralph Cromwell, John Sutton of Dudley and Ralph Botiller, Knights, John Fortescu and Robert Neuton, justices, and John Fray, chief baron of the Exchequer.

Bury St. Edmunds, 4 March 1447.

By petition in Parliament.

The Great (Golden) Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread. A good deal of the upper right side missing.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Enrolled, as indicated by an endorsement, on the King's Remembrancer's Memoranda Roll among the records of Hilary 32 Henry VI [P.R.O., E.159/230 rot.66].

There is a copy of this document on no. 108.

The Latin text is printed in Rotuli Parliamentorum vol.V pp.130-1 and in Heywood and Wright's The Ancient Laws ... for King's College and Eton College pp.460-4.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of all swans, howsoever marked, which Humfrey, Duke of Gloucester, deceased, had on the waters of the Thames etc.

Westminster, 12 March 1447.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited cream and red silk cords.

The initial letters of the first line have not been filled in.

"Appointment" by Henry VI "touching the demensions of the housing of his college Roial of our lady of Eton".

Signed at top and foot R.H.

[1447-8]

1 f.

A book of 12 fs. in a parchment cover entitled:-

Anno xxvj Eton. For the Edificacion of the Quere of the
 R.H. vj^{ti} Kyngs Colege of our lady there assigned by the
 Kyng, the demensions of the same, at his Castell
 of Wyndesore the vij day of Februar the yere
 abovesaid. [7 February 1448].

The text begins on f.3 (marked C at the foot of the page)
 with:

The apointment mad by the King oure al souverain
 lord as touchin certain demensions of the chirch
 of his College Roial of oure blessid lady of Eton.

This part of the document is signed "R.H." at the top and
 again at its end at the foot of f.4. (f.4 is marked D at
 the foot of the page). The next part of the document
 begins on f.5 (marked B at the foot of the page) with:

The appointment made by the King oure al souverain
 lord for the edificacion of the quere of his
 College Roial of oure blessid lady of Eton as
 towching every demension of the same quere the
vij day of Februarie the yere of the reigne of
 King Henry the sext the xxvj. Testibus Will'
 Busshop of Wynchestre, Will' Marchas of Suff and
 othere.

This part of the document is signed "R. Henricus" at the
 top. The next part of the document begins on f.6 (marked
 E at the foot of the page) with:

The ordinaunce for the edificacion of the quere
 of the Kinges College Roial of oure blessed lady
 of Eton fro the xij day of Februar' the xxvj yere
 of the King oure souverain lord gracious founder
 of the seid College unto the fest of Saint
 Michell then next folowing that is to wite by
xxxij weks which quere shal contayne in length

withynne

withynne the wall ciij fete and in widexxiij fete
if hit please the King.

This part of the document is signed at its end on f.9
"R. Henricus". On f.9d there is a note of vadia annua
officiariorum dictorum operum, with which the text ends.

This document is analysed and a good deal of it printed
in Willis and Clark vol.I at pp.351-2 and 398-401.

Notification to all the King's bailiffs and others
that he has pardoned the Provost and College 101 due to him
on the occasion of a fine made at Michaelmas last between
the College and William, marquess of Suffolk, and Alice,
his wife.

Westminster, 16 February 1448.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag,
a part broken away at the lower left side.

Grant to the Provost and Scholars of the Royal College of St. Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge and to the Provost and College of Eton, after the death or vacation of Richard Caudray, now warden of the ^{college of the} King's scholars, called the Kyngeshalle, in the university of Cambridge, to whom the King granted the office for life, 2 July 9 Henry VI [1431], of an annual payment of 8 marks made from of old to the warden by the sheriff of Cambridgeshire, from the issues of the county, for his robes. The King's previous grant of 24 February 25 Henry VI [1447], to the said provosts and colleges of the donation etc. of the said wardenship, after such vacation, and of the presentation etc. of ^{the} scholars, in which grant the said annual payment is not mentioned, is recited. The intent is that the two colleges shall exercise such donation and presentation in a manner to be determined upon between them and shall pay the said eight marks to the warden.

26 February 1448.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and red silk cords.

Initial letters on the top line have not been filled in.

Enrolled on the K.R. Memoranda Roll of Michaelmas 30 Hen. VI inter Recorda rot.7 [Public Record Office, E.159/228].

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1446 to 1452, p.127]

The "will" of Henry VI.

12 March 1448.

2 ms.

Five Seals, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords.

- (1) The duchy of Lancaster. 72 mm.
- (2) The signet for the duchy. Oval, 12 x 10 mm.
An eagle displayed.
- (3) The Great (Golden) Seal.
- (4) The signet. Round, about 18 mm. The royal arms beneath a crown. A legend.
- (5) Seal appointed for the castles, lordships, manors, lands, tenements, rents, services, and other possessions put into the feoffment referred to in the document. The same in general design as the seal of the duchy, but larger (80 mm.). The floral decoration is slightly different.

SIGILL DUCATU [?NEO]
LANCASTR' TERRIS EIUDEM DUCATUS IN
FEOFFAMENTO

Printed, from Harl. MS. 7032, by John Nichols in Royal Wills (1780), p.291; and most of the document is printed in Willis and Clark, vol.I p.352. It was also printed in 1896 from the copy at King's College, Cambridge as The Will of King Henry the Sixth, by J.W. Clark and M.R. James.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the remainder of the manors of Benestede and Wauton on the hill with the park and warren there and all other appurtenances and certain lands in Charlewode, co. Surrey, granted to Ralph Rocheford, now deceased, by patent of 16 November 1437, with remainder to the King's esquire, John Herston and Rose, his wife, for their lives in survivorship; and of the remainder of the advowson of the church of Wauton on the hill granted to John and Rose for their lives in survivorship by patent of 21 April 1438. John and Rose now hold all the premises.

Westminster, 21 November 1448.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Another copy of the foregoing.

Not sealed.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

This document is copied also on no. 90.

"The Kynges owne avyse as touchyng certayne demensions as well of the Quere as of the body of the Church, with the yles, of his College Royall of our blessed lady of Eton".

[1448].

6 fs. within a parchment cover; only 2 fs. written on.

See Willis and Clark 1. p.352; Maxwell-Lyte, 4th ed. p.47.

Grant of arms by Henry VI to the College. The arms are painted in the middle of the document.

1 January 1449.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

Printed in Samuel Bentley's Excerpta Historica (1833) pp. 47-9. A warrant under the sign manual, with the shield illuminated, is attached to the entry on the Charter Roll.

[Cal. Charter Rolls, 1427 to 1516, p. 106].

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of a mansion in Eton wherein John Spicer, clerk of the parish, late dwelt, which mansion was built by John Meddyng, deceased, on a parcel of the $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres granted to him by the King 9 December 1441, and was surrendered to the King by John Wolfe, Hugh Dyer and Richard Burton.

Westminster, 6 February 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

This document is copied also on no. 90.

Confirmation in frankalmoign to the Provost and College of Eton of a messuage, tenements, etc. in Eton, granted to them, 1 April 1448, by Hugh Ayllewyne of Eton.

Westminster, 6 February 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

This document is copied also on no. 90.

Grant in frankalmoign to the Provost and College of Eton of the reversion of a messuage in Eton, where John Moddyng, deceased, lately dwelt, now held for life by Agnes, late his wife, by grant of 4 February 1449 from John Wolfe, Hugh Ayllewyn alias Dyer, and Richard Burton.

Westminster, 9 February 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

This document is copied on no. 90. For another copy see Eton College Records vol.31 no. 416.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of 15 acres of arable in Eton parcels of the purparty of Richard Lovell, esquire, deceased, son and heir of Margaret, only sister and heir of John Hundrecombe, Knight, lying between a toft called Coldnorton on the west and the King's way leading from the town of Eton towards the hamlet called le Slowe on the east and the land of the Provost and College, sometime of Oliver de Burdeux, and the land of Nicholas Whadden on the south and the land of the prior and convent of Merton and ^{the} ditch called Coldnortondiche on the north, which the King had from Nicholas Clopton.

Westminster, 9 February 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold threads.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

This document is copied also on no. 90.

Copies of the following grants:

- (1) 24 February 1447. no.71.
- (2) 3 June 1446. no.60.
- (3) 21 November 1448. no.79.
- (4) 14 November 1448. Grant to the College of privileges in the waters of the Thames as formerly enjoyed by the burgesses of Windsor. [Cal. Charter Rolls, vol.VI p.102].
- (5) 13 December 1447. Grant to the College of "le tablet de Burboyn". [Cal. Patent Rolls, 1446 to 1452, p.148].
- (6) 1 September 1448. Surrender by the burgesses of Windsor to the crown of privileges in the waters of the Thames.
- (7) 6 February 1449. no.83.
- (8) 9 February 1449. no.87.
- (9) 9 February 1449. no.88.
- (10) 6 February 1449. no.85.

A roll of 6 paper sheets, torn at the top.

Grant in frankalmoign to the Provost and College of Eton of $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land in Eton granted to him by Richard Grove and Elizabeth his wife.

Westminster, 11 February 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax.

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton and the Provost and scholars of the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge of a parcel of the quarry of Hudleston by Shirbourn in Elmet, co. York, which the crown had acquired from John Langton, Knight, and John Langton, esquire, his son, by charter of 20 October last. The parcel is described in detail.

Westminster, 25 February 1449.

The Great (Golden) Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk threads; some of the left side and the lower quarter on the right side missing.

The initial letters in the top line have not been filled in.

Grant by John, abbot of the Benedictine monastery of the Blessed Mary of Grestein (in the diocese of Lisieux in Normandy), Gilbert Tassel, prior of the cloister, Robert Gueroult, sub-prior and almoner, Peter Poisson, precentor, John Seurie, sacristan, Walter le Steellier, succentor, Richard de Tieuvilla, bailiff, Giles Lenglois [cenelarius?], John Baudin and John Adam, priests, and John Bordel, deacon, all professed religious, representing the convent and chapter of the said monastery, of the manors of Creting and Blakenham, in the county of Suffolk and diocese of Norwich, to the Provost and College of Eton; for a considerable (notabili) sum of money paid by King Henry, founder of the said College. For a long time the property had been of doubtful value to the abbey, partly on account of the Wars and partly, even in peace time, owing to its distance, to ignorance of the language, to the difficult and dangerous crossing of the sea and to the other hazards of the journey. Should the grant, through any reason, not take effect the abbey undertakes to pay the said sum of money to the College within six months of its being asked for. The bishop of Lisieux has assented to the grant.

Witnesses: Robert de Prestreval de Fastouvilla, Peter Poret de Triguevilla, John Fleury de Boulevilla, Richard le Herichie of St. Ouen of Grestein, priests, rectors of parish churches or curates, and William de Prestreval, Bennet de Gaillon and Richard de Vinea, esquires.

23 April 1449.

Notarial marks and attestations of John de Tieuvilla and William Letyou, priests, of the diocese of Lisieux, and notaries.

Seals, pointed oval, green wax, on doubled tags.

- (1) 60 mm., originally about 70 mm., the point at the bottom broken away. The Virgin standing, with child, within a niche with architectural canopy, on each side of her an architectural compartment. Below, the abbot with crozier, kneeling in prayer. On either side of him a shield of arms, on the left two lions, on the right a stag courant from l. to r., each shield crossed by an arrow.

S: JOHIS: ABB....CCLIE BE.....DE GRESTANO.

- (2) 90 mm., originally about 100 mm., part of the bottom broken away. The Virgin seated, with child on her lap. In her right hand she holds an orb from which a cross emerges. The right hand of the child raised in blessing, in the left a book. At the bottom left a shield of arms, two lions crossed by an arrow.

† SIGILL.....MONAS.....ARIE DE
G.....NO LEX

Counterseal, round, 25 mm. The paschal lamb.

CONT' S' COVVENT' MONAST' BEAME DE G'

Attached to the foregoing document by the doubled tag of its Seal is an approval and ratification of the grant by Thomas, bishop of Lisieux.

Lisieux, 3 May 1449.

Seal, pointed oval, 73 mm., red wax. St. Peter within a rounded niche on a trellised ground, beneath an architectural canopy, in his right hand a book, in his left a key. In a roofed architectural compartment on either side an angel, and a further angel above each roof. Beneath, the bishop three quarter length, full face, with crozier; on either side of him a shield of arms, on his right crossed keys crossed by an arrow, on his left a chevron between three [?owls].

SIGILLUM THOME DEI GRA EPI LEXOVIENSIS

Confirmation, in frankalmoign, with the authority of Parliament, to the Provost and College of Eton of the following grants: 9 April 1446 of the reversion of two parts of the Crane and Wharve and lands and tenements in the ward of the Vintry in London, which Derike Pile then held for his life, also of the third part which Jaquetta late wife of the duke of Bedford then held in dower; 14 November 1448 of waters and fisheries in the Thames, with the ground and bottom thereof, lately surrendered by the burgesses of New Windsor; 21 November 1448 of the manors of Benestede and Wauton on the hill, with the park and warren there and all lands and tenements in Charlewode, co. Surrey, and the advowson of the church of Wauton on the hill, which John Merston and Rose, his wife, held for their lives in survivorship; 6 February 1449 of a house in Eton in which John Spicer lately dwelt, which the crown had from John Wolfe, Hugh Dyer and Richard Burton; 6 February 1449 ratification of a grant by Hugh Ayllewyn, of 1 April 1448, to the College of the messuage in Eton in which he lately dwelt; 6 February 1449 of the reversion of a messuage in Eton in which John Moddyng lately dwelt and Agnes, his widow, holds for life, granted to the crown by the said John Wolfe, Hugh Ayllewyn alias Dier and Richard Burton; 9 February 1449 of 15 acres of arable in Eton, late parcels of the purparty of Richard Lovell, esquire, deceased, son and heir of Margaret, sister and one of the heirs of John Hundrecombe, Knight, which lie between the toft called Coldnorton on the west and the King's way leading from Eton towards the hamlet called le Slowe on the east and the land of the Provost and College, sometime of Oliver de Burdeux, and the land of Nicholas Whaddon on the south and the land of the prior and convent of Merton and the ditch called Coldnortondyche on the north, which the crown had from Nicholas Clopton; 11 February 1449 of 2½ acres of arable in Eton which the crown had from Richard Grove

and

and Elizabeth, his wife.

Witnesses: the archbishop, the bishops of Winchester, Lincoln, Carlisle, Ely, Salisbury, Bath and Wells, Worcester, Chichester, Norwich, Coventry and Lichfield, Rochester, St. Asaph and Bangor, the abbots of Westminster, St. Alban's, Gloucester, Abyndon, Beaulieu, Redyng, Selby, Shrewsbury, St. Augustine's Canterbury and Hyde by Winchester, the dukes of Exeter, Buckingham and Suffolk, the earls of Arundell, Devon, Salisbury, Oxford and Northumberland, the viscounts Beaumont and d'Eu, Thomas de Roos, Thomas de Clyfford, Edmund Grey de Ruthyn, William de Lovell, Ralph de Cromwell, John Sutton de Dudley, John de Lysle, Robert de Moleyns, Ralph de Sudeley, John de Beauchamp, James de Say, Richard de Rivers, John de Stourton and Henry de Vessy, Knights.

Westminster, 30 May 1449.

By petition in Parliament.

The Great (Golden) Seal, green wax, on plaited purple, blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

Enrolled on the K.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Hilary 32 Hen.VI [Public Record Office, E.159/230].

There is a copy of this document on no. 108.

The Latin text is printed in Rotuli Parliamentorum vol.V pp. 159-161 and in Heywood and Wright's The Ancient Laws ... for King's College and Eton College pp.465 - 473.

Licence for John Merston, esquire, and Rose, his wife, to release to the Provost and College of Eton the manors of Benestede and Wauton on the Hill with the park and warren there and divers lands and tenements in Charlewode, co. Surrey, and the advowson of the church of Wauton, of which they hold the reversion by patent [of 21 November 1448¹]. John and Rose had held the same for their lives in survivorship.

Westminster, 18 September 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

1. Cal. Patent Rolls, 1446 - 1452, p.219.

Surrender by John Merston, esquire, and Rose, his wife,
to the Provost and College of the foregoing.

Witnesses: John Penycoke, Nicholas Carew, John Yerde,
John Stanley, Thomas Sayer.

20 September 1449.

Two Seals, round, 26 mm., red wax, on doubled tags.
Armorial.

(1) ? two bars dancettée. Helmet (full face),
with mantling, crest ? a flamingo. The shield couched.

JOHANNIS MERSTON

(2) A chevron between three (birds') heads erased.
ROY[?SIE] V[..LL].

Licence for John Fray to surrender to the Provost and College of Eton the manor of Wyrardisbury, co. Bucks, which he holds for life by grant from the Crown of 15 May 1438 and of which they hold the reversion by charter upon an Act of Parliament at Bury St. Edmund's of 25 Hen. VI¹. The Provost and College to pay a rent to Fray for his life, the sum to be agreed upon between them.

Westminster, 18 September 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Surrender by John Fray to the Provost and College of the foregoing.

24 September 1449.

Seal, oval, 12 x 10 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

A. ?E.

1. Rotuli Parliamentorum, vol.V p.131.

Grant in frankalmoin, with the consent of James, lord of Say, Knight, treasurer of England, to the Provost and College of the hospital of St. James by Westminster in the diocese of London, and the perpetual wardenship of the same, as soon as the hospital shall be void by the death, cession or resignation of the King's clerk, Thomas Kempe, chaplain of the King, now warden; even though the hospital and wardenship have been granted hitherto by the treasurers by virtue of their office.

Westminster, 30 October 1449.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread. Chipped away at sides and top.

Ornamental penwork on the top line. The main upright of the initial letter H is encircled with a scroll on which is written Domine saluum fac Regem Henricum sextum fundatorem nostrum.

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

There is a copy of this document also on no. 108.

Quitclaim by William Warbelton, esquire, to the Provost and College of all his right in a certain free rent of two parts of 32 quarters of salt called saltrent from certain lands within the manor or priory of Hoo by Wertlyng, co. Sussex, sometime parcel of the alien priory of Okebourne, which the said Warbelton on 10 March last past had sold to the King and which the King by letters patent of 16 March had granted to the College¹.

Witnesses: John Pelham, Knight, Richard Fen[...],
[?Ralph] Shouswell, John Rakle, John Broke, John Palmere,
Robert atte Mille.

Hoo, 22 March 1452.

Seal, round, 35 mm., red wax, on plaited red and green cords. Armorial, lozengy, the shield couched. Helmet with mantling, crest a fox or wolf.

1. Cal. Patent Rolls, 1446 to 1452, p.530. There is a copy of the grant of 16 March on no. 103.

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton of a weekly market at Eton on Wednesday in a place to be assigned by the said Provost and College; and that no purveyors, buyers, takers or ministers of the King or any other magnate shall take anything in that market, or on the way to or from it, or make any prise there against the will and assent of the Provost and College or of the men coming to that market, upon pain of imprisonment of their bodies, to be carried out by the ministers of the said Provost and College in that market, such imprisonment to continue until they have made proper amends. The Provost and College to have cognisance of all pleas of trespasses, debts and other contracts arising in the said market, to be held in the court of the Provost and College before their steward or bailiff, to be appointed thereto, to the exclusion of any escheator, sheriff, steward, marshal of the marshalsey, coroner, clerk of the market or other minister of the King, so that all coming to the market, abiding there and returning from it, shall be quit of all arrests and vexations from the same for themselves and their goods.

Witnesses: John, Cardinal, Archbishop of York and Chancellor, William, Bishop of Winchester, Thomas, Bishop of Bath and Wells, Henry, Duke of Exeter, Humfrey, Duke of Buckingham, Edmund, Duke of Somerset, Richard, Earl of Warwick, John [Talbot] Earl of Shrewsbury, John, Earl of Worcester, Treasurer, John, Viscount Beaumont, Henry, Viscount d'Eu, Sir Ralph Cromwell and Sir Ralph Botiller, knights.

Westminster, 20 June 1452.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, slightly chipped at top

right

right edge of reverse, on plaited blue and red silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

[Cal. Charter Rolls, vol.VI p.117].

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.
A piece of the border chipped away at the upper right.

There is a copy of this document also on no. 108.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the alien priories of Begere alias Begger, co. York, and Cowyk, co. Devon, to hold from the Annunciation 1451, in lieu of a grant thereof by letters patent of 29 May 1451, surrendered as invalid.

Westminster, 20 July 1452.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and red silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

[Cal. Patent Rolls 1446 to 1452, p.563].

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

There is a copy of this document also on no. 108.

Indenture of assignment by John, bishop of Lincoln, according to the provisions of the Parliament of Bury St. Edmunds in 1447, by which, upon the death or vacation of Hugh Magason, prior of the alien priory of Derhurst, lands of the said priory (which then would revert to Eton College) to the value of 100 marks a year were to be bestowed, by the disposition of the then bishop of Lincoln, upon the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge. The said Hugh having now died, the bishop assigns and limits the lands aforesaid as follows, viz. the manors of Compton, Preston and Welneford, co. Gloucester.

29 January 1453.

The Seals of the bishop and of the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas, red wax, on dark plaited cords. A good deal is broken away from both.

Copy, on a roll of 2 membranes of:

- (1) The charter of 30 May 1449, no. 95.
- (2) The charter of 4 March 1447, no. 72.
- (3) A charter of 6 March 1453, confirming the following grants:

1. 2 September 1446, of the priory of Shirborne, co. Hants [no. 67].
2. 2 September 1446, of the hospital of St. Bartholomew by Rye, co. Sussex [no. 68].
3. 30 October 1449, of the hospital of St. James by Westminster [no. 100].
4. 22 March 1451, of the hospital of St. John the Baptist of Dorchester.
5. 22 June 1451, of a rent from the manor of Povyngton with lands in Melbornebeke and Charleton, co. Dorset.
6. [], of the manors of Chesynbury, co. Wilts, and Querle, co. Hants.
7. 16 March 1452, of two parts of 32 quarters of salt called saltrent from the manor of Hoo by Wertlyng, co. Sussex.
8. 17 April 1452, of a close called Mildenallis in New Windsor [E.C.R. vol.13, no. 795].
9. 20 July 1452, of the priories of Beggere, co. York, and Cowyk, co. Devon [no. 105].
10. 3 February 1453, of a rent of 23s:4d from le Lambe in Distaflane in London.
11. 20 June 1452, of a market [no. 103].

Witnesses the archbishop and others. Dated at Redynge.

- (4) The charter of 24 February 1462, no. 127.

Copy, on a paper roll of 4 sheets, of the charter of
6 March 1453. [no.(3) of no. 108].

Appointment of William Okeden and David Whitchurche
as attorneys to take seisin from Hugh Ayllewyn, William
Heyward and John Jourdelay, son of Thomas Jourdelay, of
a tenement in Eton, sometime of Geoffrey Chapeleyne,
lying between the King's way which leads through the middle
of Eton on the east and the land of the College called
Parsons Hurne on the west and the land sometime of Andrew
Windesor now leased to Thomas Jourdelay on the south and
the land of the College called Lynkroft on the north.

Windesor, 6 May 1455.

The signet, red wax on tongue.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the site of a tenement in Eton sometime of Geoffrey Chapeleyn lying between the King's way which leads through the middle of the township of Eton on the east and the land of the College called Persons Hurne on the west and the land sometime of Nicholas Waddon, now leased to Thomas Jourdelay on the south and the land of the College called Lynkroft on the north; which site the King had of the grant of Hugh Ayllewyn alias Dier, of New Windsor, William Heyward and John Jourdelay, son of the said Thomas Jourdelay, by a deed dated at Eton 5 May 1455.

Westminster, 9 May 1455.

By the King.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold threads.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1452 to 1461, p.245].

Pardon to William Westbury, late of Eton, clerk, for all trespasses committed before 9 July last past contrary to the form of the statutes pannorum et capiciorum, also for treasons, murders, outlawries, etc gifts and purchases in mortmain, receiving Apostolic letters and bulls etc; also fines, forfeitures and all debts before 8 July 26 Hen.VI.

Westminster, 10 August 1455.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Pardon to the Provost and College for all debts and arrears of farms before the date of the present.

Westminster, 20 October 1456.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

[Enrolled among the Memoranda of the Exchequer, L.T.R., among the Recorda of Michaelmas 35 Hen.VI].

Commission to Nicholas Walton and William Okeden, by the surety of Ralph Legh, of Stokwell, co. Surrey, and Walter Bright, of Dorney, co. Bucks, esquire, of the keeping of the rectory or prebend or alien priory of Uphaven, co. Wilts, with the chapel of Charleton annexed to the same, lately under the obedience of the abbey of St. Wandrille in Normandy. From Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent 20 marks.

Westminster, 18 May 1457.

By Treasurer's bill.

Half the Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

Grant to the Provost and College of Eton of the rent and farm paid by David Brekenok and John Brekenok for the keeping of the manor of Wirardesbury, member of the manor of Langley Marreys, co. Bucks, committed to them by patent of 15 March 1456, for a term of 10 years from Michaelmas then last. And grant in frankalmoin to the same of the said manor after the said term during the life (if he lives) of John Fray, chief baron of the Exchequer, who had the manor for life with reversion to the College by patent of 4 March 1447, annulled by an act of resumption in the parliament held at Westminster 33 Hen. VI.

Westminster, 29 November 1457.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Enrolled on the King's Remembrancer's Memoranda Roll, [Public Record Office E.159/235, among the recorda Easter 37 Hen. VI].

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1452 to 1461, p.417].

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of a messuage, a carucate, 26 acres of land, 7 acres of wood and 8 marks of rent in Endeston, co. Somerset, sometime of the alien priory of St. Sever, which Henry Barret held for seven years from Michaelmas 18 Henry VI, at a rent of 7*l*, and of a rent of 7*l*:18*s*:5*d* paid by the prior of Suthwyk, co. Southampton, for the farm of Colemere after the death of Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, the reversion of which was granted to them by patent of 25 March 1441, and of a weir called Hornedewere in the Thames with the fishery there, which John Berkyn held for life, the reversion of which was granted to them by patent of 21 January 1445, to hold from Michaelmas 1455. The premises had come into the King's hands by an act of resumption in the parliament held at Westminster in 1455.

Westminster, 29 November 1457.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Enrolled on the King's Remembrancer's Memoranda Roll among the recorda of Easter 37 Henry VI. [Public Record Office, E.159/235.]

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1452 to 1461, p.417].

General pardon for the Provost and College for all trespasses before 7 December last and all fines etc. due before 1 September 1454.

Westminster, 28 January 1458.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

General pardon for William Westbury for all trespasses before 7 December last and all fines etc. due before 1 September 1454.

Westminster, 28 January 1458.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Grant to the Provost and College of the farm of 20 marks paid by Nicholas Walton and William Okeden for the keeping of the rectory or prebend or alien priory of Uphaven or Uphaphen, co. Wilts, with the chapel of Charleton annexed thereto, lately under the obedience of the abbey of St. Wandrille in Normandy, granted to them from Michaelmas 1456 for 20 years by patent of 18 May 1457. And grant to the same in frankalmoin of the reversion of the same after the said term.

Westminster, 9 February 1459.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Enrolled on the King's Remembrancer's Memoranda among the records of Trinity 37 Henry VI. [Public Record Office, E.159/235 rot.8.]

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1452 to 1461, p.477].

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of a messuage with buildings and gardens adjacent in Eton in which John Chapeleyn now dwells, which was lately built by John Muddyng, deceased.

Westminster, 13 April 1457.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Pardon to the Provost and College for all fines, forfeitures and debts before the date of the present.

Coventry, 6 November 1459.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Enrolled among the Memoranda of the Exchequer, K.R., among the Records of Hilary 38 Hen.VI, rot.2.

[Public Record Office, E.159/236].

Confirmation of all the King's grants to the Provost and College of Eton. The charters are not recited.

Witnesses: Thomas, Archbishop of Canterbury, William, Archbishop of York, Thomas, Bishop of London, William, Bishop of Winchester and Chancellor, Walter, Bishop of Norwich, John, Bishop of Lincoln, Laurence, Bishop of Durham, Keeper of the Privy Seal, Henry, Duke of Exeter, Humfrey, Duke of Buckingham, Jasper, the King's half-brother, William, earl of Arundel, Henry, Earl of Northumberland, John, Earl of Shrewsbury, James [Butler], Earl of Wilts, Treasurer, John, Viscount Beaumont, Great Chamberlain, John de Clyfford, Leo Welles, John de Dudley and John Beauchamp, Steward of the Household, Knights.

Coventry, 20 November 1459.

By the King.

The Great Seal, bronze wax, on plaited blue and green silk cords and gold thread. A good deal of the seal has been broken away.

Enrolled on the King's Remembrancer's Memoranda Roll among the records of Hilary 38 Henry VI [Public Record Office, E.159/236 Hil. rot.2].

A copy of the foregoing, on one membrane of parchment.

Protection for Eton College by Edward, Duke of York,
"Vray and just heire".

27 February 1460-1.

Traces of small round red seal applied next to the
signature.

1 f.

Printed in Maxwell Lyte, History of Eton College,
4th. ed., p.62.

General Pardon to William Westbury, Provost of Eton,
to 4 November last.

Westminster, 5 February 1462.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Pardon to the Provost and College of Eton of all fines, amercements, forfeitures, issues, reliefs, scutages, arrears etc. to the 1st of October last.

Westminster, 23 February 1462.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1461 to 1467, p.73].

Enrolled on the K.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Easter 2 Edw. IV, rot.3 [Public Record Office, E.159/239].

Grant in Frankalmoign to William Westbury, Provost, and the College of Eton, that they may pray for the good estate of the King and of Cicely, his mother, while they are alive, and for their souls after they are dead and the souls of the King's father, Richard, late duke of York, and their forebears, of the hospital of St. Peter by Windsor, the manors of Bledlowe, co. Bucks, and Cottesford, co. Oxford, formerly parcel of the alien priory of Okebourn, the alien priory of Stratfeldsay, with all its possessions, cos. Hants and Berks, the portion of the alien prioress of Clairruissel in the church of Mapilderham alias Mapildram, co. Oxford, with the fruits and emoluments of the same, the alien priories of Cogges and Mynstrelovell in the same county with their possessions, the manors or alien priories of Cretyng and Everdon, cos. Suffolk and Northants, with their appurtenances, the alien priories of Dockyng and Sporle, co. Norfolk, with their appurtenances, a yearly farm of 13s:4d, which the prior and convent of Thetford used to pay of a certain impost to the house of Cluny, a pension of 2 marks yearly which the prior and monks of Horsham St. Faith of the order of St. Benedict, co. Norfolk, used to pay to the abbey of Conches, a pension of 40s yearly from the church of Alveley, co. Essex, the priory of Leomynstre, co. Sussex, with its appurtenances, the manor of Estwrotteham, co. Norfolk, with its appurtenances, parcel of the alien priory of Okebourn, the fruits of the church of Elyngham, co. Hants, the manors or priories of Clatford and Hullavyngton, co. Wilts, with their appurtenances, the manor or lordship of Hynnepedyll alias Peydelhynton, co. Dorset, lately belonging to the alien priory of Mortayn, the fruits of the church of Sturmynstre Marchall and certain lands and tenements, co. Dorset, late of the alien house of the hospital of St. Giles of Pont Omer, the alien priory of Stoke Courcy, co. Somerserset, with its appurtenances, and 100s yearly which the abbot of Redyng used to pay for lands in Esthenrith.

Westminster, 24 February 1462.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Enrolled on the K.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Easter 2 Edward IV, rot.3 [Public Record Office, E.159/239.].

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1461 to 1467 p.73].

There is a copy of this document on no.108.

[Copy of] petition by "the Provest and scolers of your Colledge of Eton" to the King to grant them a pardon for all sums of money due from them for any tenths or subsidies granted them by the clerk of the province of Canterbury before this time, and for any actions or demands connected therewith.

Undated. Henry VI or Edward IV.

Grant in frankalmoign to the Provost and College of Eton, in order that they may pray for the good estate of the King and queen Elizabeth, his consort, of the hospital or house of St. John the Baptist of Dorchestre, co. Dorset, a yearly farm or pension of 20s which the priors of Goldeclive used to pay from the ancient impost due to the chief of that priory beyond the seas, 26l:13s:4d a year which the prior of Farlegh alias Farle used to pay to the monks of Mortiginacum alias Mortigamatum for the farm and pension of the manors of Welby [?alias] Welleby and Navenby, co. Lincoln, Slaghtneford and Alinton, co. Wilts, 111:6s:8d from the same farm and pension in addition to the said 26l:13s:4d, a farm, pension or rent of 40s a year from the impost of the priory of Tykford by Neweport Paynell, co. Bucks, a farm, pension or rent of 4l a year from the ancient impost of the alien priory of Folkeston, co. Kent, the manor or priory of Hanginglangford, co. Wilts, formerly pertaining to the alien deanery of Morteigne, the alien priory of Brimmesfeld, co. Gloucester, and all lands, rents and services in Middelton, co. Wilts, sometime pertaining thereto, all lands in Endeston, co. Somerset, formerly of the alien priory of St. Sever, the alien priory of Modbury, co. Devon, with all its members and appurtenances, the alien priory of Cowyke, co. Devon, with all members, lands, rents, services, advowsons, pensions, portions, imposts, tithes, oblations, fruits and emoluments pertaining thereto, the priory or manor of Blakenham, co. Suffolk, sometime parcel of the alien priory of Okebourne, the alien manor or priory of Povington with all lands, rents, services, pensions and portions in Melbornbeke and Charleton, co. Dorset, and all other lands, rents and services pertaining thereto, the priory of St. Helen in the Isle of Wight, co. Hants, a yearly farm, rent or pension of 12 marks which the prior of the priory of Montacute and his successors are bound to

render

render to the King yearly from the ancient impost lately pertaining to the chief house of that priory beyond the seas, all lands, rents and services in Northmandam, Compton and Wolegh, cos. Sussex and Hants, sometime of the abbey of Lucerne in Normandy, a water-mill at Goryng, co. Oxford, sometime parcel of the alien priory of Okebourne, and the manor of Wedonbeke alias Wedonbek, co. Northampton, sometime parcel of the same priory; to hold the above, with knights' fees and advowsons, together with the reversion of the hospital of St. James by Westminster in the diocese of London, and the perpetual custody of the same, upon the vacation of Roger Malmesbury, King's clerk, the present warden.

Windsor, 17 July 1467.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and green silk cords and gold thread. A little broken away at upper right.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1467-77, pp.62-3].

Pardon to William Westbury, clerk, Provost of the College of Eton, for all his trespasses before 15 April last past against the statutes of liveries and for rebellions, felonies, forfeitures, etc. and all fines, amercements, reliefs etc. before 4 March 1464. The pardon not to extend to any customer or collector or controller of customs or subsidies or to any offences in any port or to Humphrey Nevile, Knight, and others (named), or to any of the great accountants.

Westminster, 28 July 1468.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, part of the right edge broken away.

Enrolled on the Pardon Roll [Public Record Office, C.67/46 m.36].

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Pardon for William Westbury, clerk, Provost of Eton,
for all offences before 15 April last.

Westminster, 29 January 1469.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag,
slightly chipped at the top right.

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Letter from Edward IV to lord Berners, Constable of
Windsor Castle, to permit the Provost of Eton to dig chalk.

21 March 1472.

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This letter is printed in full in Willis and Clark,
Architectural history etc. 1886 vol.I p.408.

Grant in frankalmoin to William Westbury, Provost, and the College of Eton of the alien priory of Beggere alias Beger, co. York, 8l a year which the prior of Farlegh alias Farley used to pay the nuns of Mortiginatum alias Mortiganiatum for the farm and pension of the manors of Welby [?alias] Welleby and Nalbenby, co. Lincoln, and Slaughteneford and Alynton, co. Wilts, and which John Tommeson, deceased, lately had for life of the King's grant and the reversion of 30l a year from the same farm and pension (above the said 8l), which the prior also used to pay to the nuns and which Roger Grandorch, gentleman, has for life of the King's grant.

Westminster, 18 April 1472.

By Privy Seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and red silk cords and gold thread, only a fragment of the Seal surviving.

Ornamental penwork on top line. Within the initial letter a rose.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1467 to 1477 p.328].

Endorsed that this grant is also enrolled on the L.T.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Trinity 13 Edward IV, at rot.3 [Public Record Office, E.368/246].

Exemplification, at the request of John Scotte, of the record of a plea in the Common Pleas, the said John Scotte versus Thomas Loveden and Alice, his wife, and John Grove concerning a messuage, a toft, $9\frac{1}{2}$ acres of arable and $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of meadow in Eton, upon a writ of ingressu super disseisinam in le post, before Thomas Bryan and his fellow justices in Trinity term 14 Edward IV, (1474) [Public Record Office, C.P.40/851 rot.106].

The defendants have not entry to the premises except after the disseisin which William Compton unjustly and without judgement^{made} upon the plaintiff. The defendants call Denis Guyer to warranty, who makes default. The seisin is awarded to the plaintiff.

Teste Bryan (chief justice of the common pleas).

Westminster, 2 July 1474.

Seal of the Common Pleas, bronze wax, on doubled tag.

Judgement by Thomas, archbishop of Canterbury and cardinal, appointed by pope Paul II to adjudicate between the colleges of Eton and St. George's Windsor, annulling Pius II's annexation of Eton to Windsor.

Witnesses: masters John Close, doctor of laws, advocate of the court of Canterbury, John Thwaytes, bachelor of theology, Edmund Lichefeld, master of arts, Robert Sturdy, bachelor in decrees, and John Bele and John Shefeld, notaries public.

Notarial certificates and marks of John Jevan, clerk, and Nicholas Parker, clerk.

30 August 1476.

Seal, pointed oval, 95 x 58 mm., red wax, in metal skipet, on plaited purple silk cords.

The Trinity between two prelates; beneath, the archbishop in prayer between two shields of arms, left, the see of Canterbury, right, quarterly, 1 and 4 a cross engrailed between four water-bougets, 2 and 3 billetty a fesse.

SIGILLŪ: THOME: BOURGCHIER: DEI: GRA:
CANTUARIENSIS: ARCHIEPI

Floral border beautifully illuminated with gold leaf and many colours, at the top and left side, the royal arms in the middle at the top. In the initial the Assumption of the Virgin with angels. To the left the cardinal archbishop in prayer, behind him three other praying ecclesiastics.

Pardon to Henry Bost, Provost, and the College of
Eton of all debts and accounts due from them to the King.

Lythynghon, 30 July 1478.

By Privy Seal.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax on doubled tag,
a good deal broken away.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1476 to 1485, p.121].

Endorsed that this pardon is enrolled on the Lord
Treasurer's Remembrancer's Memoranda Roll of 18 Edward IV
among the records of Michaelmas term, rot.8 [Public Record
Office, E.368/251].

Grant by brother William Peyrson, minister of the house of Houndeslowe, of the order of the Holy Trinity, co. Middlesex, and the convent there to master Henry Boost, Provost, and the College of Eton of a rent of 40s, from Michaelmas last for 99 years, from all those lands and tenements in the township and fields of Wyxbrigge, in the same county, which Thomas Asshby, gentleman, lately bought from John Maynard, of Westbrayntford, in the same county, and Emmotte, his wife, and which the said Asshby lately leased by indenture to the grantor. The grantees have paid 4d for the seisin of the said rent, which guarantees the terms of the said indenture viz. that the said minister shall provide a preacher to preach a public sermon on Trinity Sunday in the conventual church of the said house for a payment of 6s:8d, and shall distribute 10s after the said sermon among the indigent poor there flocking, and shall distribute 4d to a brother of the said house assisting and aiding at the obit or anniversary of the said Asshby on the Friday next before Trinity Sunday in the conventual church. The rent of 40s is to be suspended in any year in which the minister, having failed to perform the foregoing three services shall yet, within eight days, pay to the Provost and College 13s:4d, 20s and 8d respectively.

In the chapter house of the convent, 6 December 1478.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. Only a central fragment survives, part of an enthroned figure.

Licence for the Provost and College to acquire lands
in mortmain up to 20l value.

20 December 1478.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, natural coloured diaphanous wax, on
doubled tag.

Inspeximus of a record on the King's Bench Plea Roll of Trinity 16 Edward IV [1476] [Public Record Office, K.B.27/860 rot.37].

Bucks. Robert Manfeld, of Armerdon, gentleman, in mercy for various defaults. The said Robert and Thomas Baylly, of Armerdon, yeoman, and John Hyll, of Burnham, butcher, his servants, attached to answer both the crown and Thomas Worley and Katharine, his wife, for entry into 40 acres of pasture and 10 acres of woodland of the latter in Burnham contrary to the statute on 1 August 1472, which caused loss to the latter of 40l. The defendants say the places consist of two closes called Estbalons containing 30 acres of pasture and 10 acres of woodland, and Westbalons containing 10 acres of pasture, and that a certain Richard Restwold, esquire, and William Moreys, clerk, before the said supposed entry were seized of the premises in fee and gave the same to Robert Manfeld in fee tail with remainder to John Manfeld, William Manfeld, Richard Manfeld and the right heirs of Robert Manfeld. The plaintiffs claim they were leased the premises for life by Restwold and Moreys, but this was long before the grant to Manfeld, who accordingly entered the same.

The plaintiffs say that long before Restwold and Moreys had any interest in the premises, Robert Foughley was seized thereof in fee and enfeoffed William Weynflete, bishop of Winchester, and William Westbury, provost of Eton, and Edmund Brudenell, with the same; who were disseised unjustly and without judgement of the same by Restwold and Moreys. Later Brudenell died. The grant as aforesaid was made to Manfeld. The bishop and provost re-entered and expelled Manfeld. They granted the same to the plaintiffs.

Finally on 3 November 1480 judgement that Restwold and Moreys unjustly and without judgement disseised the bishop, the provost and Brudenell. Damages assessed at 26s:8d

and

and 40s costs.

Teste Billyng [Thomas Billyng, chief justice].

Westminster, 28 November 1480.

Seal of the King's Bench, bronze wax, on doubled tag.

A list of manors or alien priories belonging to Eton College and granted by Edward IV to other persons and places.

[temp. Edward IV].

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Pardon to Henry Bost, provost, and the College of Eton for all trespasses of which they may be guilty before 21 February last against the statutes concerning liveries and retainers, and of all trespasses, murders, outlawries, alienations without licence etc and fines, forfeitures etc extending before Michaelmas 1482, the said pardon not extending to matters touching certain great accountants viz. the mayor and staple of Calais, the keepers of the Wardrobe and others (named).

Westminster, 27 February 1484.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, most of the left side missing.

Indenture between Walter Felde, clerk, provost, and the scholars of the Royal College of St. Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge, of the one part, John, Bishop of Lincoln, of the second part, and Henry Booste, provost, and the Royal College of St. Mary of Eton near Windsor, of the third part, providing for the carrying out of a benefaction to the said college at Cambridge viz. 160 marks given by John Plente, late fellow, to buy lands producing 8 marks yearly, the provost to appoint yearly after the election of vice-provost and other officials, a priest from among the fellows to say mass daily, with the collect Deus cuius misericordie non est numerus suscipe pro anima famuli tui sacerdotis preces nostras etc. for John Plente, his parents etc., and to receive 4 marks yearly: in default the said college to pay 4 marks to the Bishop and 4 marks to the said provost and college of Eton, the provost and college of Eton having the right to distrain for it on the manor or priory of Ruyslepp, co. Midd.

Cambridge, 19 March 148-.

Confirmed by the Bishop of Lincoln "in hospicio nostro apud vetus templum, London", 7 ---- [14]84.

Three Seals, red wax, on doubled tags.

Those of the colleges are slightly damaged, that of the bishop is only a fragment.

Petition [undated] to Henry VII to restore to the College portions of its livelihood that had been taken away by Edward IV. A combined petition by the College of the Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas, Cambridge, and Eton College for the appointment of commissioners to call before them sundry disseisors of the estates thereof and determine the rights of the parties, was granted in the Parliament of V Henry VII. [Rot. Parl. vol. VI p.435. Heywood and Wright, p.382].

To the Kyng oure souverain lord

In the most humble wise besechen your highnesse youre contymall oratours and feythefull liegemen the Provost and College of youre Colleage Roiall of our blessed lady of Eton

That it wolde please your said highnesse to have in tendir consideracion How that it pleased the moost cristen Prince of noble and blessed memorye king Henry the vj^o your grate uncle for thincrese of his meryte and eternall reward to stablisse and founde two Colleages aswell to the high lovyng worship and preising of god as to thencrese and multiplying of vertue and connyng for the defence of Cristis feithe and of his Chirche and by long and grete deliberacion and by the discrete and sadde advise of diverse and many of his lordis spirituelle and temporelle gave and impropyd certayne lyvelode unto the same your Colleage for the sustentacion fyndyng and full exhibucion of certayn noubre of persones as here ensuyth that is to wytte of a Provost, X prestes, graduate felowes, sufficiently lerned in dyvinyte, a Master of gramer, a Ussher, LXX Children scolars, X prests conducts, X Clercs^{1.}, XVj Choresters^{2.}, XIIj Almousmen and XIIj pouer Children with certaine noubre of domesticalle servaunts for your said College necessary and convenient

Which

1. Vj Clercs in Rot. Parl.

2. XVj Choresters omitted in Rot. Parl.

Which so enestablished whas by diverse parlyaments auctorised ratified and confermed and over that by sundre popes approved with terrible censurys of holy Chirche denounced against alle the vyolatours interuptours or brekers of the said foundation by vertue of the which graunts your said oratours and theirre predecessours were peasibly possessed of the said lyvelood withouten clayme lette or interupcion of eny persones unto the tyme of Kyng Edward the iijth which by synistre mocions and suggestions of diverse indisposed persones not feryng God nor the Censures of holy Chirch gave and disposed in the first yere of his reigne to diverse places and persones a grete part and porcion of the said lyvelode as by a cedula herunto annexed it may appere at large not only to the subversion of the holy and vertuouse entent of your said uncle but also to the moost grevous and moost heynous hurt and damage of alle your true subgietts beyng within every countie of this your Roy^{me} whose frends kynnesmen and children were by vertue of the said fundacion gretly susteyned and releved in cunnyng exhibucion and otherwise

Wherfor it may please you of your tendre grace and blessed disposicion in consideracion of the premissis and also of the grete and fervent love and zele that ye have evyr had and borne unto that devoute prince your said uncle soo to provyde in this your high Court of parliament as through the same your noble provysions and ordinaunces your said oratours may be somewhat restored of such part and porcions of lyvelod conteigned in the said cedula as by your said highnesse shall be thought moost expedient and beneficiall towardis the perfourmyng [of] the last wille and vertuous entent of your said uncle aswell in noumbre of persones which is thyng of comon wele as in theirre sustentacion exhibucion and fynding

And duryng

their lyves your said oratours shalle contynuelly pray to god for the preservacion of your most noble persone and Roiall estate.

Mandate to all justices, sheriffs, eschaetors and other royal ministers to allow the Provost and College to use and enjoy all and singular the liberties and privileges granted to them by Henry VI, and confirmed by the present King, with regard to the goods and chattels of felons, together with freedom for them and their tenants from toll, pannage, pontage and other exactions, and from suit at hundred and wapentake courts and aids, views of frankpledge etc, and from purveyors, buyers or takers of victuals for the King's household or for queens or other magnates.

Westminster, 14 May 1488.

The Seal, if there ever was one, has, together with the tag, been cut away.

Exemplification of an entry on Exchequer L.T.R.
Memoranda Roll Hil. 7 Hen. VII rot.4 [Public Record Office, E.368/265], at the request of Provost Bost, concerning property in Eton, le Wyke and Iver.

Westminster, 25 October 1492.

The Seal of the Exchequer, dark brown wax, on doubled tag.

Ornamental penwork on the top line of the first membrane and a Tudor rose in the margin at each side.

2 large membranes.

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of 6 marks a year due from the prior of Folkston, granted to Thomas Asshe on 10 July 1471, and of the keeping of the "suere" called Hornewere in the Thames at Windsor, with the fishery there, granted inter alia to Charles Rippon on 5 [October] 1485.

Westminster, 23 March 1495.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited green and white silk cords and gold thread. Hardly more than the central part of the seal, clinging to the cords, remains.

Ornamental penwork on the top line.

Enrolled on the L.T.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Michaelmas 12 Henry VII [Public Record Office, E.368/270].

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1494 to 1509, p.26].

Document of 23 March 1501. See no.156.

Grant by John Argentein, provost, and the scholars of the Royal College of St. Mary and St. Nicholas of Cambridge, with the consent of the bishop of Lincoln, in consideration of a benefaction of master John Doget late provost, who gave vestments and jewels for the high altar to the value of 140l, and 160l in money to buy lands, yielding above 8 marks, that the provost will nominate each year after the election of the vice-provost and other officers of the College, another fellow, a priest, not an officer, unless dean in the faculty of theology, to say three masses a week, exequiae once and mass for the dead once (or instead of the exequiae another requiem mass), for the souls of John Doget, his relations, etc., with collect specified. He is to be paid 4 marks. In default penalties of 4 marks to the Bishop and 4 marks to Eton College.

Cambridge, 19 October 1503.

Seal of King's College, red wax, on doubled tag.
A good impression, some of the upper edge broken away.

Licence for the Provost and College to acquire in mortmain the following lands and rents from the following persons, in pursuance of their licence by letters patent of 23 March 16 Henry VII (1501) to acquire lands and rents to the yearly value of 27l, viz:-

From William Ketyll and John Mason, a messuage, 37 acres of arable and 5 acres of meadow in Datchet and Eton. From Richard Payne, clerk, Edmund Mundevile, clerk, Richard Kyte, clerk, Richard Blount, gentleman, John Burton and Thomas Huntte a garden, 40 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, and 9s rent in Eton, held of the King and another and extended at 4l:16d a year according to an inquisition taken before Richard Blount, esquire, sheriff of Buckingham.

From the said last-named parties 6 messuages, 80 acres of arable, 40 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, 5 acres of wood and 6d rent in New Windsor, co. Berks. From the said William Ketyll and John Mason, a messuage, 140 acres of arable, 20 acres of meadow, 15 acres of wood and 9 cartloads of wood yearly in 'le comyn de Byggefrithe' in Cokeham, co. Berks. From William Lynde and John Mason 46 acres of arable, 2 acres of pasture and a rent of 2ls yearly in Cokeham and Maydenhithe in the parish of Cokeham, and a messuage, 22 acres of arable, 2 acres of pasture, 2 acres of wood and 6 cartloads of wood yearly in 'le comyn wood' of Cokeham in Bray in the parish of Bray, held of the King and others and extended at 14l:19s a year according to an inquisition taken before John Williams, Knight, Sheriff of Berkshire.

The premises are extended at 19l:0s:4d.

To hold to the value of 20l yearly in part satisfaction of the said 27l.

Westminster, 25 November 1504.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1494 to 1509, p.385].

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of a ——— or pool called Hornnewere alias Hornewere in the Thames by Windsor, with fishing etc, and the site of a tenement formerly of John Knight and late of William Page on lands late of Oliver Burdeux in Eton; also of all goods of felons, fines for trespasses etc. on the lands of the College, also of exemptions from provisors etc.; also confirmation of all grants of Henry VI and Edward IV.

30 April 1507.

By the King.

The Great Seal, dark green wax, fragmentary, on plaited green and white silk cords and gold threads.

Illuminated initial, the royal arms beneath a crown supported by a dragon on left and a hound on right.

Enrolled on L.T.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Easter 22 Hen.VII rot.27 [Public Record Office, E.368/304].

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1494 to 1509, p.523].

A corrected draft of the foregoing on a paper roll of 8 sheets.

General pardon for Eton College.

Westminster, 11 July 1509.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, slightly chipped at bottom left.

Licence for the Provost and College to acquire lands in mortmain to the yearly value of 20l.

Westminster, 12 May 1510.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited white and green silk cords.

Ornamental penwork on top line. A stem of roses has been faintly sketched in the initial H.

[Cal. Letters and Papers Henry VIII vol.I (2nd ed.), no.485 (34).].

Enrolled on the L.T.R. Memoranda Roll among the records of Michaelmas 8 Henry VIII [Public Record Office, E.368/290].

Licence for William Ketill and Richard Fitzwater, in conformity with Henry VII's licence on 23 March 1501 to the College of Eton to acquire lands to the yearly value of 27l, to grant the Provost and College three messuages, a toft, four gardens, 103 acres of arable, 6 acres of meadow, 6 acres of pasture, 22 acres of wood and 14s:6d rent in Dorney, Boveney, Penne and Wycombe, and for Robert Wodeford, John Hille and Richard Aldricher to grant them a messuage in Burneham; and for Robert Rede and Muriel, his wife, to grant them 2 acres of arable in Burneham; which are held from the crown and others separately and which are extended at 50s:3d yearly as appears by an inquisition taken before Thomas Langston, esquire, escheator of co. Buckingham, in part satisfaction of the said 27l.

Westminster, 20 November 1511.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Licence for Richard Copcot and John Same to alienate in mortmain to Roger Lupton, Provost, and the College the manor of Piriton alias Pirton alias Odynsellys, co. Hertford, and 20 messuages, 14 tofts, 600 acres of arable, 200 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 100 acres of wood, 300 acres of heath and 100s rent in Pyriton, Ikylford, Offeley and Ramarswike, which are extended at 10l a year according to an inquisition taken before Thomas Knyghton, eschaetor in co. Hertford. To hold in the value of 10l:2s a year. They are licensed to acquire lands to the value of 20l a year.

Westminster, 9 July 1516.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Ornamental penwork on top line.

[Cal. Letters and Papers, Henry VIII, vol. II pt.1 no. 2146].

Exemplification of a plea in the Common Pleas before Robert Rede and his fellow justices, enrolled on the Plea Roll of Hilary 4 Henry VIII (1513) [Public Record Office, C.P.40/1002 rot.305].

Norf. Reger Lupton, Provost, and the College of Eton V. William, prior of Horsham St. Faith's, for a debt of 8 marks claimed from the latter for a yearly rent of 2 marks. The said rent used to be paid to the abbot of Conches until 10 Edward III when, on account of the war with France, the rent was seized into the hands of the crown which continued to receive the same until on 14 July 1439 Henry VI granted it to Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, for his life, and on 25 January 1442 granted the reversion thereof to Henry Sever, Provost of Eton, and the College. Since the duke's death the College has received the rent until on 13 November 1511 the prior refused to pay it. The loss amounts to 20 marks.

The prior says that the abbot of Conches was not seised of the rent by right of the said abbey. The parties place themselves upon the country. Arrears and damages awarded to the Provost of 10l:13s:4d.

Teste J. Ernele, chief justice of the common pleas.

Westminster, 6 November 1519.

Seal of the Common Pleas, bronze wax, on doubled tag.

The initial H not filled in.

Licence for the College to acquire property to the value of 27*l* a year, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain.

Westminster, 23 March 1501.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Endorsed: memorandum that on 26 November 1504, the College, by virtue of this licence, bought from William Ketyll, John Mason, Richard Payne, clerk, Edmund Mundevile, clerk, Richard Kyte, clerk, Richard Blount, gentleman, John Berton, Thomas Kuntte and William Lynde a messuage, 37 acres of arable, 5 acres of meadow in Datchet and Eton and other lands and tenements, to the value of 20*l* in partial satisfaction of the 27*l* mentioned herein.

[Public Record Office, Chancery Warrants, C.82/216].

Licence for the College to acquire property to the value of 40*l* a year, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain.

Westminster, 3 May 1528.

The Great Seal, dark green wax, on plaited green and cream silk tapes. A good impression, but part of the bottom right broken away.

Ornamental penwork in the initial and above the top line, including the royal arms supported by a lion and a dragon.

[Cal. Letters and Papers, Henry VIII, vol.IV pt.II no.4313 (3)].

Grant in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton of the manor of Baudewyns, near the town of Dartford; the lands, meadows and pastures called Broks in the town and parish of Dartford, with the waters and fisheries thereto belonging; and the marsh called Flache in Luddenham Marshe, co. Kent; the manor of Chatesham and all lands etc. thereto belonging in the town of Chatesham and elsewhere, co. Suffolk; and the advowsons of the parish churches, vicarages or rectories of Newington, co. Kent, and Chatesham, co. Suffolk, with licence to appropriate, annex and unite the rectories of the said churches; all which premises came into the King's hands by the suppression of the late abbeyes or priories of St. Thomas Lyesnes, co. Kent, and St. Mary Wyk, co. Essex, and by the attainder of Thomas cardinal of York, or by the dissolution of Cardinal College in Ipswich, or of Cardinal Wolsey's College in Oxford.

This patent is granted according to the terms of an agreement made by indenture dated 5 September 23 Henry VIII (1531), between the King and the Provost and College, and in consideration of a grant which the latter made to the King by their charter of 1 November 23 Henry VIII (1531), enrolled in Chancery, of the site of the hospital called Saynt James in the Feld and certain lands etc. belonging to the same, containing $185\frac{1}{2}$ acres; of which there lie between the cross commonly called Charinge Crosse and Aye Hill, on the south side of the highway from Charinge Crosse to Aye Hill, in arable lands, meadows and pastures, 64 acres; in a field called the North Feld, on the north side of the same highway, in arable lands, meadows and pasture, 96 acres; at a bridge called Knyghts Bridge, in two closes there, 18 acres; in a meadow called Themys Mede 5 acres, in a meadow called Chelsey Mede $\frac{1}{2}$ acre, and in a meadow at Fulham 2 acres. as particularly set forth in a

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schedule annexed to the said indenture; with reservation of all the other lands of the said College, called Chalcotts and Wylde, in the parish of Hampsted, co. Middx, lately belonging to the said hospital; and all the other lands of the said College in the city of London, the town of Westminster, and their suburbs.

Chelsehith, 26 December 1531.

By the King.

The Great Seal, bronze wax, on plaited green and white silk cords. A good deal broken away, the lower right quarter and a fragment of the top surviving.

Ornamental penwork on top line and drawing of roses and fleurs de lys. A drawing of the King in the initial letter, orb in right hand, the type of Auerbach's Tudor Artists pl.14^a.

[Cal. Letters and Papers Henry VIII, vol.V no.627(28)].

Exemplification, at the request of Robert Aldriche, Provost of Eton, of an enrolled decree of the Court of Augmentations of 26 April 1537, by which the Provost and College were confirmed in the possession of a yearly farm or pension of 38l which the priory of Farlegh, co. Wilts, used to pay them, and a yearly pension of 4l which the priory of Folkeston, co. Kent, used to pay, together with 57l arrears from the former and 6l arrears from the latter. The Provost had exhibited a charter of 17 July 1467, in support of his claim. The charter is recited.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1467 to 1477, pp.62-3].

Westminster, 1 May 1537.

Seal of the Court of Augmentations, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Indenture of sale by the Provost and College, for 40l:6s paid by the Treasurer of the Court of Augmentations and 11l:14s paid by the tenants, to the King of 6 acres of meadow lying near Chalcotthyll in the parish of St. Pancras and Marybone, co. Middx, enclosed within his grace's park of Marybone and now or late in the tenure of John Slannyng; and 14 acres of wood enclosed in the same park in the tenure of the same and all other their lands enclosed in the said park, and a rent of 24s from the said 6 acres, parcel of a yearly rent of 20l, and a rent of 28s from the said 14 acres, parcel of a rent of 6l:13s:4d, which rents of 20l and 6l:13s:4d are reserved to the College upon several leases made by them to William Kempe, deceased, and the said John Slannyng, now living. All deeds, evidences and writings relating to the premises to be delivered to the Keeper of the King's evidence in the Court of Augmentations to choose of the same before the feast of St. John the Baptist next. The yearly value of the premises at the time of their enclosure was 52s, beside the woods and underwoods.

28 April 1544.

Witnesses: T. Norfolk (Thomas Howard, duke of Norfolk, Lord High Treasurer), Charles Suffolk (Charles Brandon, duke of Suffolk, Master of the Household), J. Russell (Sir John Lord Russell, Lord Privy Seal), Rychard Ryché (Chancellor of Augmentations).

Royal Sign Manual (from block) at the top.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, good condition.

Indented inventory Between John bishop of Lincoln, Henry Bradshawe, attorney general, and Robert Drewrye, George Wright and Hugh Fulld, esquires, on one part and Robert Aldridge, provost, on the other part, of goods, chattels, ornaments, plate and jewels found in the hands of the Provost and College and committed to them by the aforesaid commissioners, to be safely kept for the use of the King until his further pleasure should be declared.

27 March 1546.

Seals, red wax, on doubled tags.

- (1) Missing.
- (2) Fragmentary.
- (3) Fragmentary. ? a shield of arms.

2 ms.

Described in Maxwell Lyte's History of Eton College,
4th ed. pp.117-8.

In consideration of the lordships and manors of Clatforde, co. Wilts, and Milbornebeck, Lutton and Pevyngton, co. Dorset, and other lands of the Provost and College of Eton granted to Henry VIII by Robert, bishop of Carlisle, Provost, by deed of 20 December 1546, and in fulfilment of the will of the King's father and a tripartite indenture of 1 June 1547 between the King of the first part, the Protector Somerset and the other executors of Henry VIII's will of the second part and the Provost of the third part, and for 25l:6s:3d paid to the Treasurer of the court of Augmentations, grant to the Provost and College of the rectory and advowson of the vicarage, of Great Compton, co. Warw., late of Thomas Cromwell, earl of Essex, attainted: the rectory and advowson of the vicarage, of Bloxham, co. Oxon., late of Godstowe monastery; tithes and lands in the tenure of Thomas Jefferaye and Alice, his wife, in Mylcombe, Bloxham, Newnton, Mylton and Barforde, co. Oxon., late of Godstowe monastery; the rectories and the advowsons of the vicarages, of Okeley and Bromeham, co. Beds., late of Caldwell monastery; and all appurtenances of the aforesaid rectories in Thurlebye, co. Linc., Great Compton, co. Warw., Bloxham, Mylcombe, Newnton, Mylford and Barford, co. Oxon., and Okeley and Bromeham, co. Beds.

And whereas by indenture under the seal of the court of Augmentations, of 15 June 1537, the King's father leased to Thomas Tholmewood the rectory of Thurlebye, co. Linc., late of the priory of nuns by Stamford, (except two cottages with curtilages, the ponds called Ises, and all wards, marriages, escheats, reliefs, great timber and woods and the advowson of the vicarage), from the Michaelmas preceding for 21 years at a rent of 18l:8s; grant to the Provost and College of the reversion of the said rectory of Thyrlebye (with the said exceptions), and the whole said rectory of Thirlebye with all its appurtenances and the advowson of
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of the vicarage, late^{of} the nunnery of Stamford.

The said rectories are extended, Thyrlabye at 18l:8s, Great Compton at 18l, Bloxham at 26l:3s:4d, Okeley at 111:16s:8d, and Bromeham at 81:3s:4d.

To hold to the said Provost and College and their successors in chief by the Service of the fortieth part of a Knight's fee. Rent, for the premises in Thyrlabye 36s:10d, Great Compton 36s, Bloxham 52s:4d, Okeleye 23s:8d, and Bromeham 16s:4d, to be paid at the court of Augmentations in full satisfaction of all tenths, first fruits and other exactions.

The grantees to enjoy all issues since Michaelmas last. With exoneration from all corrodies, rents, annuities etc. upon the premises except yearly rents of 3s:4d from Okeley to the bishop of Lincoln, 40s from Bromeham to the vicar there, 2s:6d from Bromeham to the bishop of Lincoln, and 14s:2d from Bromeham and Okeley for synodals and procurations.

Westminster, 30 August 1547.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, bronze wax, on plaited green and white silk cords. Only the central part survives.

Ornamental penwork on the top line and a drawing of the King.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, Edward VI, vol. I pp.8, 9].

Exemplification of a decree of the Court of Augmentations, dated 5 May 1548, confirming to the Provost and College of Eton an annual pension of 13s:4d from the possessions of the late dissolved monastery of Monks Thetforde, co. Norfolk, and a rent of 14s from the lands in Wylhay parcel of the possessions of the late dissolved monastery of Mountague, co. Somerset, with the arrears of the same since the dissolution, to be paid by the receivers of the court.

Teste Edward Northe (chancellor of the Court of Augmentations).

Westminster, 8 May 1548.

Seal of the Court of Augmentations, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Endorsed that the document is enrolled in the office of Thomas Mildmaie, auditor of the county of Norfolk, in 3 Edward VI.

Inspeximus of various grants to the College.

Westminster, 17 May 1548.

The Great Seal, broken, in a bag. Plaited green and white silk cords.

The initial H. contains a drawing of the King enthroned.

Ornamental penwork on the top line of the first membrane.

8 large membranes.

Inspeximus and confirmation by queen Elizabeth of archiepiscopal letters of dispensation.

Westminster, 25 April 1577.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, slightly chipped away at the top.

Attached is the dispensation by Edmund, archbishop of Canterbury, to the Provost and College to eat flesh on Thursday, though it has recently been prohibited; for reasons of its expense and of the difficulty of obtaining it and of health, cujus precipua cura debet esse literatis hominibus.

25 April 1577.

Seal of faculties, red wax, on red cord, fragmentary.

Exemplification, at the request of Robert Streynsham, gentleman, of the enrolment of the Act of Parliament of 15 January 1532 (23 Hen.VIII c.24) concerning an exchange between the King and the College of the Hospital of St. James for the manor of Baldwyns etc.

Westminster, 3 May 1599.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag; an excellent impression of this beautiful seal.

Modest decoration of the initial E.

2 ms.

Grant of a general pardon to the College.

9 March 1604.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.

Exemplification of the enrolment of an act of the Parliament held at Westminster on the day of the Conversion of St. Paul 20 Henry VI, viz. of part of the section relating to Eton College [Rotuli Parliamentorum vol.V, pp.45 to 52].

In the charter of endowment of 25 March 1441 there recited, this exemplification omits all the endowments except those relating to the vicarage of Morton and the church of Alveley, co. Essex, the priories of Creeting, co. Suffolk, and Everdon, co. Northants, and the mill at Goring, co. Oxford.

Made at the request of Richard Shortgrave, gent., and John Cole, gent.

Westminster, 26 February 1625.

The Great Seal, bronze wax, on doubled tag, much cracked, in linen skippet.

Ornamental drawing at the top of the first membrane.

2 large ms.

The document is endorsed to the effect that Thomas Thornton, esq., sheriff [of Northampton], "allowed Weedon Beck charter" on 20 April 1696.

Another endorsement states that this charter was "brought from Weedon where it happen'd to be produced by a copyholder and was claimed by Steph: Sleech, Bursar, as belonging to y^e College, Oct: 12. 1736".

It is difficult to see how this document should have gone to Weedon Beck, which is not mentioned in it. Even if the endowment charter had been fully recited Weedon would not have appeared, the College not having received the reversion of that property till 16 September 1443 [Eton College Records vol.27 no.15]. Nor have Richard Shortgrave and John Cole yet been identified.

Another copy of the foregoing exemplification.

The Great Seal is missing from the doubled tag.

The document is endorsed "Brought from Weedon October 1740 by S.S."

2 large ms.

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Ordinance of William, Archbishop of Canterbury, upon consideration of a complaint by fellows of King's College, Cambridge, and the reply thereto, that five, at least, of the seven fellows of Eton be elected from King's College, but that the number of fellows need not be raised to the original number of ten, but may remain for the present at seven as it has done since the dissolution and restoration of the college by Edward IV, when the rents were diminished. The example of Winchester and New Colleges is cited.

Lambeth, 11 March 1636-7.

Signature of the archbishop.

Seal, pointed oval, about 80 x 55 mm., reddish brown wax, on doubled tag, only the central part surviving.

Armorial, on a pallium over a sword in pale, four crosses fitchée. The shield surrounded by decorative strapwork.

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Grant to William Day, vicar of the parish church of Mapledurham, co. Oxford, for 20l^{of}, all that portion of tithes called the portion of Lewes in Mapledurham viz. two parts of all the tithes, both great and less, to be divided into three parts, from the demesne lands of the manor of Gurnay in the said parish, namely on 200 acres of arable land and 100 acres of meadow and pasture and on le Parke consisting of 200 acres and 4 acres of copse, amounting to 20l a year (save those on le Parke and the copse amounting to 20 marks which are reserved to the Crown). To be annexed to the vicarage in perpetuity.

Westminster, 2 May 1640.

The Great Seal, dark greenish wax, on plaited pink and cream silk threads, a good deal missing at left side and bottom.

Letters Patent of Oliver, Lord Protector, to the Commissioners of the Treasury, authorising them to pay from the Receipt of the Exchequer to the Provost and Fellows of Eton College the sum of 79l:10s in full satisfaction of the arrears of 42l per annum and 15l per annum, in lieu of three tuns of Gascoigne wine claimed by them in perpetuity, until 25 March last past. With instructions to pay the said 42l and 15l regularly.

Westminster, 6 September 1655.

[Enrolled in the offices of the Auditor and the Pells].

The Great Seal of the Commonwealth, yellow wax, on doubled tag; much of the lower half missing, and a small piece at the top.

Confirmation of the ordinance of Archbishop Laud,
11 March 163⁶7.

Westminster, 10 November 1670.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited red and white
silk cords.

Engraved portrait of the King in the initial letter
and engraved ornamental border.

Endorsed: a duplicate at the request of the Provost
and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge.

[Enrolled on Patent Roll 22 Charles II pt.7 (C.66/3120)].

Confirmation of the same.

Westminster, 24 February 1686.

By privy seal.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on plaited red and white silk cords.

Engraved portrait of the King in the initial letter and engraved ornamental border.

Appendix 1

Other Patents, 1443 to 1547,
described in previous volumes
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Catalogue of Eton College Records.

- 14 Jan. 1442
16 September 1443. Two casks of red Gascon wine yearly. E.C.R. vol. 16 p. 98
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E.C.R. vol. 27 no. 15
- 16 September 1443. Licence for the College to grant a
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E.C.R. vol. 7 no. 65
- 24 December 1443. Two fairs on Michelmylwardeshey.
[Cal. Charter Rolls, vol. VI p.39].
E.C.R. vol. 31 no. 413
- 21 February 1445. The reversion of Hornedwere.
[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1441-6, p.336].
E.C.R. vol. 38 no. 217
- 12 March 1445. Licence for Humphrey, duke of
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E.C.R. vol. 27 nos. 17
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- 21 Feb. 1445¹⁴⁴⁵
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One cask of red Gascon wine. E.C.R. vol. 16 p. 98.
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E.C.R. vol. 31 no. 415
- 9 February 1449. The reversion of a messuage in Eton
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E.C.R. vol. 31 no. 416
- 28 February 1449. The custody with King's College
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E.C.R. vol. 38 no. 290

22 March 1451.

Reversion of the hospital of St. John the Baptist, Dorchester.

[Ca 1. Patent Rolls, 1446-1452, p. 419].

E.C.R. vol. 2 nos. 130 and 131

5 June 1451.

Rent of 20l from Stogursey, a house and four shops in the parish of St. Botolph Aldersgate, a rent of 50 marks from the abbey of St. Alban's and a rent of 10d a week from the manor of Langley Marreys.

E.C.R. vol. 16, p.87, nos. 1 and 2.

22 June 1451.

The farm paid by John Neweburgh for keeping the manor of Povyngton, with appurtenances in Melburnebeke, Turneworth, Charleton and Upwymborne, co. Dorset, and Sople, co. Hants; and the manors of Chesingbury, co. Wilts, and Quarle, co. Hants.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1446-1452, pp.417, 423].

E.C.R. vol. 2 no. 132

17 April 1452.

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Precept to the farmers of the alien priory of Upavon, co. Wilts, to pay the farm to the College.

[see Cal. Patent Rolls, 1452-61, p.477].

E.C.R. vol. 2 no. 133

5 September 1531.

Indenture of exchange of Hospital of St. James for Baldwins, the Flache etc.

E.C.R. vol. 20 no. 2

1 June 1547.

Tripartite indenture between the King, the executors of the will of Henry VIII and the Provost of Eton, of bargain and sale to the Provost and College of the parsonages of Thurlby, Moche Compton, Bloxham, Okeley and Bromeham.

E.C.R. vol. 14 no. 1

11th Aug 1445

Land redemption at Retworth
Cal. Patent Rolls 1441-6 p.364
E.C.R. vol. 45 nos. 14, 15.

24 Nov 1465

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E.C.R. vol. 45 nos. 16, 17.

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Rent of 23s: 4d for the custody of la Touche in Distafflane in the city of London. E.C.R. vol. 16 p.93.

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Introduction

By the royal endowment of 25 March 1441 the College of Eton was granted a farm and rent of 5l:14s:2d which Walter Striklond, esquire, paid the crown for the custody of all lands, tenements, rents and services, with their appurtenances, in North Mundham and Compton, co. Sussex, and "Welegh" or Wheely, in Warnford, co. Hants, which had formerly belonged to the abbey of Lucerne in Normandy. Striklond held the foregoing on a seven year lease from Michaelmas 1439. The College was at the same time granted the reversion of the lands. They were among the College properties resumed by Edward IV, who granted them on 26 February 1462 for 20 years to William Beaufitz¹. They were however re-granted to the College on 17 July 1467², only to be lost again by a grant to the Dean and Canons of St. George's Windsor on 17 May 1474³. At what exact date the College recovered the property does not appear either from the Patent Rolls or the records at Eton.

In none of the foregoing grants were the premises described as the manor of Fishers and Brimfast, their designation in the court rolls and College leases.

These shiftings in the early days of the College tenure will sufficiently account for the poverty of early records at Eton concerning this manor, there being none for the period before the College ownership. Two of the College court rolls, however, survive of the time before Edward IV's resumption of the lands.

Noel Blackiston

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College leases etc.

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Counterpart of lease, 1 October 1570, by the Provost and College to Roger Drew, citizen of Chichester, co. Sussex, of the manor or manors of Fyssher and Brymfaste in the parishes, villages and hamlets of Northmundham, Sidelsham, Easton, Compton and Welighe, cos. Sussex and Hants, together with all courts leet and profits of the same. From Michaelmas last for 41 years. Rent 5l:9s:6d, and with the rent all court rolls ready engrossed for the year past.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, round, 15 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. A fleur de lys.

Counterpart of lease, 24 January 1609-10, by the same to Sir John Denham, of Lincoln's Inn, Knight, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent 4l:6s:4d and 3 quarters 2 bushels of wheat and 4 quarters 2 bushels 2 pecks of malt or their money equivalent, and the court rolls as before, and within 4 years to make a true terror of the manor.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, round, 14 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial, three fusils ermine. Helmet, mantling and crest, a lion's head erased.

Counterpart of lease, 5 April 1615, by the same to the same (now chief justice in Ireland), upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Ger. Lowther, W. Sparkes, Jo. Beare.

Seal, oval, 28 x 23 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial, as before. Helmet etc., as before.

Counterpart of lease, 8 March 1620-1, by the same to the same (one of the barons of the Exchequer), upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Hales, Nicholas Drake, Ran. Brereton.

Fragment of Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. Apparently the same as that on no. 2.

Counterpart of lease, 12 December 1626, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Gregory Baker, Francis Ridley.

Seal, oval, 16 x 14 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial, as before.

Counterpart of lease, 18 April 1634, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Wade, Thomas Bowlinge.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. As on the foregoing.

Counterpart of lease, 25 August 1641, by the same to John Denham, of Egham, co. Surrey, son of the former lessee, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Robert Pamplin, Thomas Sayer, registrar.

Doubled tag from which the Seal has been cut.

Counterpart of lease, 17 December 1641, by the same to Sir William Morley, of Chichester, co. Sussex, Knight, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: William Cawley, William [? Barker].

Traces of Seal, red wax, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of lease, 5 May 1652, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Sackvill Torner, Richard Forbench, Thomas Bettesworth.

Seal, round, 11 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. A bird.

Counterpart of lease, 9 July 1659, by the same to William Morley, of Halnaker, co. Sussex, esq., upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Edward Heath, Thomas Heath, Benjamin Bowdon.

Fragment of Seal, red wax, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of lease, 30 May 1743, by the same to Mary, countess dowager of Derby, upon surrender of a lease to James, earl of Derby, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent 4l:6s:8d and otherwise as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: William Milton, junior, John Westwood.

Seal, oval, 17 x 14 mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, Derby impaling Morley. Surmounted by coronet.

Indenture of lease, [undated], by the same to the most noble Charles, duke of Richmond, upon surrender of a lease to Sir Thomas Dyke Acland, baronet, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent etc. as before.

The document is not authenticated.

Counterpart of lease, 20 December 1792, by the same to the same (duke of Richmond, Lenox and Aubigny) of the same.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: James Haddon, John Bayley.

Seal, oval, 20 x 18 mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, a bad impression. Supporters, motto, mantling, coronet.

Counterpart of lease, 18 October 1799, by the same to the same of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent etc. as before (234 gallons of wheat and 310 gallons 2 quarts of malt).

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Bayley, George Kuse.

Seal, round, 17 mm., red wax, applied. Within the Garter, surmounted by a coronet a monogram.

Attached is a letter to Edward Brown, registrar of the College, giving particulars of the lessees in the next lease.

Lease, [] 1808, by the same to Robert Steele, of Mansfield Street, co. Middlesex, esq., one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, John Gage, of Binderton, co. Sussex, esq., George William Phipps, of the Royal Academy at Woolwich, co. Kent, esq., a lieutenant colonel in the army, Charles Arnold, of Bedford Row, co. Middlesex, esq., and William Halsted, of East Lavant, co. Sussex, yeoman, trustees of the will of Charles, late duke of Richmond Lenox and Aubigny, of the same. From old Michaelmas 1806 for 20 years. Rent etc. as before, together with an additional rent of 28l:19sld in consideration of the redemption of Land Tax.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

[The date of the month has not been filled in].

Counterpart of the foregoing, 9 February 1808.

Signatures of lessees.

Witnesses: Robert Bicknell, John Melton,
J.S. Clantre, all of Bedford Row, Thomas Bennett, of
Chichester, William Pickett, of Binderton.

Five Seals, the same impression on each, 23 x 19 mm.,
red wax, applied. A profile.

Counterpart of lease, 8 January 1820, by the same
to Charles, duke of Richmond, Lennox and Aubigny, for
600l and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same.
From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent etc. as
before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Rusbridger, Thomas Grant.

Seal, oval, originally about 23 x 19 mm., black
wax, applied, half broken. Armorial.

Lease, 12 December 1826, by the same to the same,
for 300l and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same.
From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent etc. as
before.

Doubled tag for the College Seal, which has been
cut away.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Rusbridger, Ralph Older.

Seal, oval, 20 x 15 mm., red wax, applied.
Armorial, a bad impression.

Lease, 21 December 1833, by the same to the same, for 300l and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent etc. as before.

Doubled tag for the College Seal, which has been cut away.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: John Rusbridger.

Seal, oval horizontal, 23 x 19 mm., red wax. Two armorial shields surrounded by garters, with supporters, motto and coronet.

Lease, 8 December 1840, by the same to the same, for 300l and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same viz. the manor or manors of Fishers and Brimfast in the parishes, villages and hamlets of Northmusham, Piddleham (sic), Easton, Comton and Welleigh, cos. Sussex and Hants. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rent etc. as before.

Doubled tag for the College Seal, which has been cut away.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: John Rusbridger.

Seal, red wax, applied, a bad impression.

Indenture of lease, 29 September 1889, by James Hack Tuke, of Bancroft, co. Herts., to Christopher John Strange, of Spettisbury, Blandford, co. Dorset, farmer, of Fisher Farm, in North Mundham, co. Sussex, reserving all timber etc. For one year from 29 September 1887 on a yearly tenancy, until two years notice be given on either side to terminate the same. Rent 90l and an over rent of 50l for every acre of pasture or meadow that shall be broken up and 20l for every acre of arable which shall be cropped contrary to covenants hereafter contained. Twenty covenants follow, together with a schedule of the premises.

Signature of lessor.

Witness: Theodore Lucas, Hitchin, banker's clerk.

Seal, oval, 20 x 15 mm., red wax, applied.

A bearded profile.

Agreement, 17 October 1923, between Annie Skimmer, of Birdham Road, Chichester, co. Sussex, spinster, and the Provost and College by which she surrenders to the latter, as lords of the manor of Brimfast and Fishers, co. Sussex, a messuage and barn and forty acres of land customary called Martins and a messuage and barn and ten acres of land customary called Smiths, in Brimfast, also a cottage garden plot or parcel of ground which said plot was heretofore enclosed from as being part of the waste of Brimfast, containing in length from east to west ten rods or perches whereon the said cottage was formerly erected and built, in consideration whereof the College will pay her an annuity of 55l.

Signature of Annie Skinner.

Witness: E.K.B. Wannop, solicitor, Chichester.

Paper Seal.

Counterpart of lease, 20 November 1923, by the Provost and College to John William Parrott, of Hall Place Farm, Merrow, Surrey, farmer, of lands, specified in schedules, in North Mundham and Hunston. With map of the same. From 29 September 1923 on a yearly tenancy, terminable at twelve months' notice. Rent 245l, and 5% per annum upon all moneys laid out by the lessors in improving the Marble-bridge Farmhouse (included in the premises) by erecting a new bathroom and W.C., and 40l for every acre of meadow pasture gorse or woodlands broken up into tillage without the written consent of the landlords. Twenty nine covenants follow.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: Thomas Hunt, Sidlesham Common, farmer.

Paper Seal.

With a further signed and sealed agreement relating to further

further lands, specified in a schedule, let to the lessee at a rent of 37l.

Witness: James G. Johnstone, Chichester, auctioneer.

Agreement, 29 September 1924, between Thomas Hunt and Henry Hunt, of Highleigh, Sidlesham Common, Chichester, co. Sussex, gentlemen, and the Provost and College, by which they surrender to the College, as lords of the manor of Brimfast and Fishers, a messuage and half a yard land customary in Brimfast, in consideration whereof the College will pay them, for their lives in survivorship, an annuity of 20l during the life of Martha Blythe.

Signatures of Thomas and Henry Hunt in the presence of Louisa Hunt.

Two paper Seals of the Hunts and the College Seal, papered, applied in the presence of M.R. James, Provost, Lord Hamleden and A.J. Butler, fellows.

Court Rolls

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Lucerne, co. Sussex.

First court of acknowledgements (recognicionum) of
Master William Waynflete, Provost of Eton.

10 October 1446

The court is divided into the fee of Brounesfast or
Bromiesfast and the fee called Fysshers, including land in
Compton and Wele by Warneford where the farmer of the
prior of Monte Acute holds lands from the said prior which
the prior holds of the manor of Lucerne.

And view of frankpledge on the same day.

1 m.

29

The fee called Fysshers in Manwode with Compton.

View of frankpledge, with court.

15 May 1447

1 m.

30

Brymsfast and Fysshers.

Extracts and drafts of Court Rolls, various Courts
between 15 June 1488 and 7 October 1535
Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost.

25 August 1538

do.

15 April 1540

The proceedings of this Court appear also on
another sheet, where they are said to have been held
before Geoffrey Danyell, deputy of Thomas Cromwell,
Knight, lord Cromwell, chief steward.

Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the College
of Eton, before master Patmer, bursar, and William
Hanley, steward.

3 October 1542

do.

2 October 1543

Court Baron of Thomas Smythe, Knight, Provost, and the
College of Eton, in the time of Roger Huchenson, bursar.

9 June 1553

a roll of 12 fs.

Fyssher and Brouneffast, Brynneffast.

Court	14 Henry VII
do.	15 Henry VII
do.	15 Henry VII
	(1498-1500)
	5 <u>fs.</u> , damaged.

Brymfast and Fyssher.

Court	8 October 1507
do.	5 October 1508
	2 <u>fs.</u>

Fysshers and Brymsfast.

Court	8 October 1515
do.	7 October 1517
	2 <u>fs.</u>

Fysshers and Brynnffast.

Court	2 October 1522
do.	5 October 1523
do.	4 October 1524
	2 <u>fs.</u>

Fysshers and Brymfast.

Court	6 October 1530
do.	10 October 1531
	2 <u>fs.</u>

Brymffast and Fisshers

Court	8 October 1533
do.	7 October 1535
do.	5 October 1536

10 fs., sewn, mostly blank.

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Fysshers and Brymfaste.

Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the College of Eton.	15 April 1540
	1 <u>m.</u>

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Brymffast and Fysshers.

Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the College, before master Patmer, bursar.	14 October 1542
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Fysshers and Brymfaste.

Court of Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the College of Eton.	29 June 1546
	1 <u>f.</u>

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Fysshers and Brynffast.

First Court of Sir Henry Cole, Provost, and the College, before master Edmund Hargat, bursar, and George Nycolles, gent., steward.	23 September 1555
	1 <u>m.</u>

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First Court of Sir Henry Cole, Provost of the College of Eton, and the said College, before master Edmund Hargat, bursar, and George Nicolles, gent., steward.

23 September 1555

Court of Sir Henry Cole, Provost, and the College, before master James Bayly, bursar, and George Nicolles, gent., steward.

4 April 1555

1 m.

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First Court of Sir William Byll, Provost, and the College of Eton, before master Nicholas Smyth, bursar, and Thomas Hunt, deputy of George Nicolles, esquire, steward.

8 October 1559

1 m.

43

Manor of Fyshers Brymsfaste in le Manhod.

Court of Sir William Daye, Provost, and the College of Eton.

6 May 1564

1 m.

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Court of Sir William Daye, Provost, and the College.

10 June 1566

1 m.

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Court of William Day, Provost, and the College.

12 July 1567

1 m.

Manor of Fysshier and Brimfast in le Manwodd
and Compton and Weligh.

First Court of Thomas Grene, farmer of the manor by
virtue of a College lease to a certain Roger Drwe,
afterwards alienated to the said Grene, held at
Brimfast.

29 December 1570

2 ms.

Court Roll, a good deal of which, including the heading,
has been mutilated by a rodent.

About 1570

1 m.

Manor of Fishers and Brimfast in le Manwoode and
Compton and Welighe, cos. Sussex and Hants.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, held at Brimfaste,
by Robert Addams, steward.

8 April 1574

1 m.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, at Fisser.

17 July 1577

1 m.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, at Brimfast,
Robert Addams, steward.

27 July 1579

Court of the same, before the same.

31 August 1579

1 m.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, by virtue of a lease by the Provost and College to Roger Drwe, citizen of Chichester, assigned by the said Roger to the said Thomas.

Held at Fisser by Robert Addinbro, steward.

28 January 1585

1 m.

52

Court held at Fyssher, Robert Addams, steward.

21 September 1586

1 m.

53

Court held at Brimfast, Robert Addams, steward.

2 [] 1590

Court held at Fisser, before the same.

1 September 1590

1 m.

54

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of John Greene, a customary tenant, before Robert Addams, gent., steward.

1 April 1591

1 m.

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Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of Richard Burrishe, a customary tenant; Robert Addams, steward.

3 June 1591

1 m.

56

Court held at Brimfaste in the mansion house of Richard Burrishe, a customary tenant, Robert Addams, steward.

18 October 1593

1 m.

57

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of Edward Greene, a customary tenant.

14 December 1596

Court held at Fysshers in the mansion house late in the tenure of Robert Rose, deceased, now in the occupation of John Hamper.

17 March 1599

2 ms.

58

Court held at Brimfest in the mansion house of Richard Daniell, guardian of Burrishe Daniell, a customary tenant, Robert Addams, steward.

15 June 1598

1 m.

59

Manor of Fyshers and Brimfast in le Manwood and Compton and Welighe.

Court of Margaret Greene, widow, John Pey, steward.

1 July 1599

1 m.

Court held at Fyssher in the mansion house late in the tenure of John Hamper, before Robert Addams, gent., steward.

6 March 1602

1 m.

61

Court held at Fyssher.

25 May 1603

1 m.

62

Court held at Brimfaste in the mansion house of Richard Daniell, a customary tenant.

23 May 1605

1 m.

63

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of William Fillippes, a customary tenant, Robert Addams, steward.

28 November 1606

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of William Smarte, a customary tenant, before the same.

12 March 1607

1 m.

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Court held at Fisser in the mansion house of Edward Weekham, one of the customary tenants, before Robert Addams, gent., steward.

20 July 1607

1 m.

View of frankpledge, before George Duncumbe, gent.,
steward.

25 March 1612

First Court Baron of John Denham, Knight, chief justice
in Ireland, farmer of the manor, before the same.

With survey and rental.

25 March 1612

3 ms.

First Court Baron of William Morley, Knight, before
Thomas Bettsworth, steward.

10 June 1642

Court Baron, before the same.

24 October 1642

Court Baron, before the same.

6 February 1644

Court Baron, before the same.

5 March 1646

1 m.

Court Baron of William Morley, Knight, before Thomas
Bettsworth, steward.

25 June 1649

1 m.

Court Baron of Sir William Morley, Knight, before
William Baldwyn, gent., steward.

8 January 1657

Court Baron, before the same.

23 January 1657

Court Baron of William Morley, esq., before the same.

6 July 1659

Court Baron of William Morley, Knight of the Bath,
before the same.

18 October 1661

1 m.

Court Baron of William Morley, Knight of the Bath,
before William Baldwyn, gent., steward.

23 September 1662

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

28 October 1663

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

31 October 1664

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

5 October 1666

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

13 December 1667

1 m.

Court Baron of James, earl of Derby, and Mary, countess of Derby, before John Wakeford, gent., steward.

2 January 1710-11

do.

21 January 1713-4

do.

21 March 1716-7

do.

11 April 1717

1 m.

Copy, certified by E.W. Johnson, steward of the manor, Chichester, 2 September 1857, of surrenders and admissions, with references to the pages of the Court book, at courts held between 8 April 1847 and 17 June 1857.

A roll of 23 ms.

Copies of Court Roll

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At a court held on 10 October 1525 admission of Robert Forder to a messuage and 20 acres in Brymffast.

Fine 30s.

At a court held on 7 October 1535 licence, for 10s, for Thomas Tawko to lease a messuage and a virgate of land in Brymffast for 20 years.

At a court held on 7 October 1535, admission of Joan Lambert to a cottage and three acres in Brymffast as next heir of William Lambert, deceased.

Fine 5s.

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Introduction

By the royal endowment of 25 March 1441 the College of Eton was granted a farm and rent of 51:14s:2d which Walter Striklond, esquire, paid the crown for the custody of all lands, tenements, rents and services, with their appurtenances, in North Mundham and Compton, co. Sussex, and "Welegh" or Wheely, in Warnford, co. Hants, which had formerly belonged to the abbey of Lucerne in Normandy. Striklond held the foregoing on a seven year lease from Michaelmas 1439. The College was at the same time granted the reversion of the lands. They were among the College properties resumed by Edward IV, who granted them on 26 February 1462 for 20 years to William Beaufitz¹. They were however re-granted to the College on 17 July 1467², only to be lost again by a grant to the Dean and Canons of St. George's Windsor on 17 May 1474³. At what exact date the College recovered the property does not appear either from the Patent Rolls or the records at Eton.

In none of the foregoing grants were the premises described as the manor of Fishers and Brimfast, their designation in the court rolls and College leases.

These shiftings in the early days of the College tenure will sufficiently account for the poverty of early records at Eton concerning this manor, there being none for the period before the College ownership. Two of the College court rolls, however, survive of the time before Edward IV's resumption of the lands.

Signed. Noel Blakiston

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1. Calendar of Patent Rolls 1461-7 p.150.
 2. do. do. 1467-77 p.63. Eton College Records vol.39 No.129.
 3. do. do. do. p.461.

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Lucerne, co. Sussex.

First court of acknowledgements (recognicionum) of
Master William Waynflete, Provost of Eton.

10 October 1446

The court is divided into the fee of Brounesfast or
Bromiesfast and the fee called Fysshers, including land in
Compton and Wele by Warneford where the farmer of the
prior of Monte Acute holds lands from the said prior which
the prior holds of the manor of Lucerne.

And view of frankpledge on the same day.

1 m.

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The fee called Fysshers in Manwode with Compton.

View of frankpledge, with court. 15 May 1447

1 m.

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Brymsfast and Fysshers.

Extracts and drafts of Court Rolls, various Courts
between 15 June 1488 and 7 October 1535
Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost.

25 August 1538

do. 15 April 1540

The proceedings of this Court appear also on
another sheet, where they are said to have been held
before Geoffrey Danyell, deputy of Thomas Cromwell,
Knight, lord Cromwell, chief steward.

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Hanley, steward.

3 October 1542

do. 2 October 1543

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9 June 1553
a roll of 12 fs.

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Fyssher and Brouneffast, Brynneffast.

Court 14 Henry VII

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(1498-1500)

5 fs., damaged.

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Court	8 October 1507
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Fysshers and Brymfast.

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do.	10 October 1531
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Brymffast and Fisschers

Court	8 October 1533
do.	7 October 1535
do.	5 October 1536
	10 <u>fs.</u> , sewn, mostly blank.

Fysshers and Brymfaste.

Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the
College of Eton.

15 April 1540

1 m.

Brymffast and Fysshers.

Court of Sir Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the
College, before master Patmer, bursar.

14 October 1542

1 f.

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Court of Robert Aldrydge, Provost, and the
College of Eton.

29 June 1546

1 f.

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Fysshers and Brynffast.

First Court of Sir Henry Cole, Provost, and the
College, before master Edmund Hargat, bursar, and
George Nycolles, gent., steward.

23 September 1555

1 m.

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First Court of Sir Henry Cole, Provost of the College
of Eton, and the said College, before master Edmund
Hargat, bursar, and George Nicolles, gent., steward.

23 September 1555

Court of Sir Henry Cole, Provost, and the College
before master James Bayly, bursar, and George Nicolles,
gent., steward.

4 April 1555

1 m.

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First Court of Sir William Byll, Provost, and the
College of Eton, before master Nicholas Smyth, bursar,
and Thomas Hunt, deputy of George Nicolles, esquire,
steward.

8 October 1559

1 m.

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Manor of Fyshers Brymsfaste in le Manhod.

Court of Sir William Daye, Provost, and the College
of Eton.

6 May 1564

1 m.

Court of Sir William Daye, Provost, and the Colledge.

10 June 1566

1 m.

Court of William Day, Provost, and the Colledge.

12 July 1567

1 m.

Manor of Fyssher and Brimfast in le Manwodd
and Compton and Weligh.

First Court of Thomas Grene, farmer of the manor by
virtue of a Colledge lease to a certain Roger Drwe,
afterwards alienated to the said Grene, held at
Brimfast.

29 December 1570

2 ms.

Court Roll, a good deal of which, including the heading,
has been mutilated by a rodent.

About 1570

1 m.

Manor of Fishers and Brimfast in le Manwoode and
Compton and Welighe, cos. Sussex and Hants.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, held at Brimfaste,
by Robert Addams, steward.

8 April 1574

1 m.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, at Fisser.

17 July 1577

1 m.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, at Brimfast,
Robert Addams, steward.

27 July 1579

Court of the same, before the same. 31 August 1579

1 m.

Court of Thomas Greene, farmer, by virtue of a lease by the Provost and College to Roger Drwe, citizen of Chichester, assigned by the said Roger to the said Thomas.

Held at Fisser by Robert Addinbro, steward.

28 January 1585

1 m.

52

Court held at Fyssher, Robert Addams, steward.

21 September 1586

1 m.

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Court held at Brimfast, Robert Addams, steward.

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Court held at Fisser, before the same.

1 September 1590

1 m.

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Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of John Greene, a customary tenant, before Robert Addams, gent., steward.

1 April 1591

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Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of Richard Burrishe, a customary tenant; Robert Addams, steward.

3 June 1591

1 m.

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Court held at Brimfaste in the mansion house of Richard Burrishe, a customary tenant, Robert Addams, steward.

18 October 1593

1 m.

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of Edward Greene, a customary tenant.

14 December 1596

Court held at Fyssher in the mansion house late in the tenure of Robert Rose, deceased, now in the occupation of John Hamper.

17 March 1599

2 ms.

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of Richard Daniell, guardian of Burrishe Daniell, a customary tenant, Robert Addams, steward.

15 June 1598

1 m.

Manor of Fyshers and Brimfast in le Manwood and Compton and Welighe.

Court of Margaret Greene, widow, John Pey, steward.

1 July 1599

1 m.

Court held at Fyssher in the mansion house late in the tenure of John Hamper, before Robert Addams, gent., steward.

6 March 1602

1 m.

Court held at Fyssher.

25 May 1603

1 m.

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23 May 1605

1 m.

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of William Phillipps, a customary tenant, Robert Addams, steward.

28 November 1606

Court held at Brimfast in the mansion house of William Smarte, a customary tenant, before the same.

12 March 1607

1 m.

Court held at Fisser in the mansion house of Edward Weekham, one of the customary tenants, before Robert Addams, gent., steward.

20 July 1607

1 m.

View of frankpledge, before George Duncumbe, gent., steward.

25 March 1612

First Court Baron of John Denham, Knight, chief justice in Ireland, farmer of the manor, before the same. With survey and rental.

25 March 1612

3 ms.

First Court Baron of William Morley, Knight, before Thomas Bettesworth, steward.

10 June 1642

Court Baron, before the same.

24 October 1642

Court Baron, before the same.

6 February 1644

Court Baron, before the same.

5 March 1646

1 m.

Court Baron of William Morley, Knight, before Thomas Bettesworth, steward.

25 June 1649

1 m.

Court Baron of Sir William Morley, Knight, before
William Baldwyn, gent., steward.

8 January 1657

Court Baron, before the same.

23 January 1657

Court Baron of William Morley, esq., before the same.

6 July 1659

Court Baron of William Morley, Knight of the Bath,
before the same.

18 October 1661

1 m.

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Court Baron of William Morley, Knight of the Bath,
before William Baldwyn, gent., steward.

23 September 1662

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

28 October 1663

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

31 October 1664

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

5 October 1666

Court Baron of the same, before the same.

13 December 1667

1 m.

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Court Baron of James, earl of Derby, and Mary, countess
of Derby, before John Wakeford, gent., steward.

2 January 1710-11

do.

21 January 1713-4

do.

21 March 1716-7

do.

11 April 1717

1 m.

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Copy, certified by E.W. Johnson, steward of the manor,

Chichester, 2 September 1857, of surrenders and admissions, with references to the pages of the Court book, at courts held between 8 April 1847 and 17 June 1857.

A roll of 23 ms.

Copies of Court Roll

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At a court held on 10 October 1525 admission of Robert Forder to a messuage and 20 acres in Brymffast.

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On 1 March 1443, Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, received a licence to grant to the Provost and College of Eton inter alia a rent of 8l:6s:8d from the issues of all manors and lands in the county of Wiltshire which had belonged to the alien deanery of Mortain, in the diocese of Avranches, Manche, Normandy¹. This property included the manor of Hanging Langford in Steeple Langford. On 2 April 1443, the duke made his grant². In Edward IV's patent of 17 July 1467, the lands are described as the manor or priory of Hanginglangford.³

No documents relating to the manor from before the period of the College ownership survive at Eton, but the Provost was holding a court at Hanging Langford only three days after the date of duke Humphrey's conveyance. The first court roll of the College, of 5 April 1443 (44), contains a list of the customary tenants, with a record of their fealty. In some of the early rolls (47, 51) there is a list of these villeins who paid capitagium or head tax of 8d each. It is presumed that this represents some commutation of services. In 1566 (65) a tenant produces in court letters of manumission granted by the College in 1537, to his father and that father's sons and daughters.

Thomas Valence, of Eton, gent., who had a reversionary lease of the manor on 12 August 1559, has been conjecturally identified here with the headmaster of that name, who, again, according to Wasey Sterry, was probably identical with the Thomas Valence M.A. of Oxford, who was presented by the College to the living of Sturminster Marshall in 1565. Incidentally the Richard Watkins alias ap Valence, to whom Sterry refers⁴, can be further substantiated from the State Papers Domestic where, under the date 1563, there is a list

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1. Eton College Records vol.XXXIX no.17.
 2. ib. no. 20
 3. ib. no. 129
 4. Eton College Register 1441-1698 p.342.

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of scholars of Christchurch driven away at the beginning of queen Mary's reign, which includes Mr. Watkyns who is described "schoolmaster of Eton".

Francis Parkins or Perkins, of Steeple Langford (69, 70), was a recusant¹. Richard Tredway, of Beaconsfield, esq., who took a lease of the manor in 1598 (6), has often been met with in the Eton records, acting as the College steward on various manors. In Eton College Records vol.36 there is a good deal about him and his family, including his will. His granddaughter Lettice, mentioned therein, is to be found in the Dictionary of National Biography. She founded a convent for English girls in Paris in 1634 and was abbess of the same.

The meaning of the word Rowles or Rowlesse in the expression "a half virgate Rowles called Compton" (115, 118), has not been established.

The following numbers were formerly part of the file, no.83, and have been detached — 112-123, 147-152.

References to Hanging Langford can be found here and there in other volumes of Eton College Records, particularly in the Piddlehinton volume, as the steward for Piddlehinton, Hanging Langford and Charlton Parva was frequently the same person and would at times make up a single roll for the three properties.

H. V. Blabister

1. Victoria County History, Wiltshire, vol.III p.81.

College leases and other deeds

(1 - 43)

Grant by Richard Webbe, of Hangynglangfford, husbandman, to John Webbe, his son, of a messuage with a croft adjoining and half a virgate viz. $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres in one field and $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres in another viz. 2 acres in the same cultura as the messuage lying between Chaddeporne and the town, and a third under the great hill called the Broad Acre, and a fourth upon Losehill, and a fifth upon Losehill called Durfeacre, and half an acre under the hill called Langlynge, and in the other field under Walter's hill an acre called Short Broad Acre (curta lata acra), and an acre and a half lying to the south in the place called Linche, and a half in the combe to the south, and an acre in Short (curta) cultura, and an acre lying beyond Undewoes, and a half in the Longcultura which extends to Holewee; also $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of meadow with common pasture, and 4 acres of arable viz. two at Marlynche and two at Frenche Busshe next Dangell hege. In perpetuity. Rent 2s:6d.

Witnesses: William Londisdale, rector of Langfford, John Rowdyn, Thomas Lampard, Reginald Meriott, John Symonds.
Langford, 2 November 1519.

Seal, oval, 15 x 10 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.
Beneath a crown (?) W.

Counterpart of lease, 12 August 1559, by the Provost and College to Thomas Valence, of Eton, gent., of the manor or priory of Hanginge Langforde, co. Wilts, with the moiety of a water mill there and all appurtenances, except all fines, heriots, reliefs, perquisites of courts and leets, woods, underwoods, wards and marriages, also the letting and setting of the customary holdings. From Michaelmas 1570 or whensoever, by surrender or other means, the premises shall come
into

into the hands of the College, for 21 years. Rent 6l:3s:6d and 27 fat wethers, to be delivered yearly at the College pasture called "the playinge leaze", or their money equivalent. The lessee to provide lodging and sustenance for the lessors and their horses for two days and nights a year whenever they shall come to survey their lands or keep their courts. The lessee to make a terrar within three years of his entry.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, oval, 21 x 18 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

A bearded profile.

Appointment by Thomas Stanter, of Sylton, co. Somerset, gent., of William Moggerydge as his undertenant of the moiety of a water mill which he holds from the College in Hangyng Langforde for his life by copy of court roll dated 19 October 1541. To hold from year to year for the life of the grantor.

5 February 1560.

Seal, ? round, about 13 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. H.

Rough draft of lease, 3 December 1572, to Edward Hoper of the manor of Hanging Langford; with estreats 1564 and 1572.

Bond, 8 November 1580, by Christopher Horte, of Hanginge Langforde, gent., to the Provost and College in 50l for the observance of the terms of an indenture of lease, of 3 December 1572, to Edward Hooper, of Steeple Langford, gent., which the said Hooper has assigned to Horte.

Signature of Horte.

Witnesses: Richard Wrighte, Bartholomew Garston, John Dethick, public notary.

Seal, oval, 18 x 13 mm., red wax, on tongue.

Counterpart of lease, 30 September 1598, by the Provost and College to Richard Tredwaye, of Beconsfilde, co. Bucks, esq., upon surrender of his former lease, of the site of the manor aforesaid, except all woods and trees growing on the premises. From this day for 21 years. Rent 4l:2s:2d and 5 quarters 3 bushels of malt and 2 quarters 2 bushels of wheat or their money equivalent. Lodging and sustenance for two days and three nights. A terrar within two years.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: William Wilson, Richard Peerson.

Seal, round, 14 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial, a chevron between three billets.

Counterpart of lease, 19 May 1617, by the same to Francis Topp, of Combe Eyssett, co. Wilts, gent., upon the surrender by Robert Bowre, gent., of a lease to Richard Tredwaye, of the same. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rent 5l:19s:7d and 3 quarters 5 bushels and 1 peck of wheat and 7 quarters 2 bushels of malt or their money equivalent. Lodging etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Thomas Hochinson, Robert Calkott.

Seal, oval, 16 x 13 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

Within decorative scrolls F T.

Counterpart of lease, 24 October 1617, by the same to the same, upon the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Benjamin Owtred, public notary, Thomas Hochinson.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag, as on the foregoing.

Counterpart of lease, 10 December 1618, by the same to the same, upon the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent etc. as before. And lease to the same of a certain copyhold messuage or tenement, with an orchard, garden and parcel of meadow, containing 2 acres, in Hanging Langford, which Christopher Horte, of New Sarum, gent., has surrendered. From Michaelmas

last

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Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Francis Temple, Ran: Patin, Robert Lave.

Counterpart of lease, 8 June 1627, by the same to George Howe, of Chauncery Lane, London, gent., of the same, including the copyhold tenement. From Lady day last for 21 years. Rents etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Hendrych van Urtlan [?], Henry Saire.

Seal, oval, 13 x 11 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.
A lion rampant.

Counterpart of lease, 20 October 1630, by the same to John Rowden, of Hanging Langford, yeoman, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rents etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Pearson, Henry Sayer.

Seal, oval, 13 x 11 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.
An acorn.

Counterpart of lease, 5 October 1637, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rents etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Rowden, Richard Rowden, Henry Saier.

Seal, round, 12 mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

A swan on its nest.

Counterpart of lease, 1 May 1649, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rents etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: George Pretty, Robert Needler, William Barnsby.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag, a bad impression.

Perhaps armorial.

Counterpart of lease, 28 November 1659, by the same to Richard Rowden and Joell Rowden, of Hanging Langford, yeomen, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From Michaelmas 1658, for 21 years. Rents etc. as before.

Signatures of lessees.

Witnesses: Henry James, John Hollenshed.

Two Seals, red wax, on doubled tags.

(1) Round, 11 mm. R R with foliage (Richard Rowden).

(2) A bad impression.

Indenture of lease, 23 March 1668, by Thomas Goodwyn, of New Sarum, gent., to Joell Rowden, yeoman, of a moiety of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent to the College 59s:9¹/₂d and to the said Goodwyn within the College 14¹/₂ bushels 1 gallon of wheat and 3 quarters 5 bushels of malt. The lessee to bear a moiety of the entertainment of the lessors when visiting the manor, and of the expenses of sending the rent and of collecting the rents of assise from freeholders and copyholders and the perquisites of courts and heriots and other duties. The said Joell has lately surrendered his title to the said moiety to Goodwyn so that the latter might in his own name purchase a new lease in the premises.

Signature of lesser.

Witnesses: William Goodhind, William Kinge, Ambrose Ringwood.

Seal, red wax, papered, no impression, on doubled tag.

Endorsed with an assignment, 16 July 1670, by Joell Rowden, for 260¹/₂d, to John Selwood the elder, of Chitterne St. Mary, co. Wilts, yeoman, of the said moiety.

Signature of Rowden and his Seal, oval, 14 x 12 mm., red wax, applied on paper, a ram's or stag's head.

Witnesses: John Seward, Thomas Brownjohn, George Shillingfleet, junior.

Indenture of assignment, 25 November 1670, by Martin Lypeatt, of Marleborough, co. Wilts, linen draper, and Anne, his wife, relict and sole executrix of Thomas Goodwyn, late of New Sarum, gent., deceased, and Richard Rowden, of Hanging Langford, yeoman, to John Selwood, the elder, yeoman, for 340l, of the said moiety. By lease of 30 December 1667 the College had leased the manor to Thomas Goodwyn.

Signatures of Martin and Ann Lipeatt.

Witnesses: Christopher Lipeatt, Obadiah Burges, Edward Reeks.

Three Seals, round, red wax, on doubled tags.

- (1) 13 mm. Bad impression.
- (2) 15 mm. Bad impression.
- (3) 13 mm. A fleur de lys.

Counterpart of lease, 20 December 1670, by the Provost and College to John Selwood, the elder, of Chitterne St. Mary, gent., upon surrender of a lease to Thomas Goodwyn, of the manor etc. (as before). From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rents etc, as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Joel Rowden, Francis Constable.

Seal, round, 17 mm., red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial, a chevron between three (?) leopards' heads. Helmet, mantling and crest, a bird.

Indenture of lease, 14 February 1756, by the same to Charles Perkins, of Upton Court, co. Berks, esq., administrator of his late brother James Perkins, esq., who was executor named in the will of his late brother Francis Perkins, esq., upon surrender of a lease to the said Francis, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag that has been cut.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: James Price, Francis Prior.

Seal, oval, 15 x 12 mm., red wax, applied. A male profile.

Indenture of lease, 22 May 1770, by the same to William Moody, the younger, of Wilton, co. Wilts, esq., upon surrender of a lease to John Maire, esq., and Harry Austin Deane, gent., of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of lease, 7 November 1776, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before. Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Robert Crapp, Bar: Leedam.

Seal, oval, 15 x 12 mm., red wax, applied. A female profile.

Counterpart of lease, 12 December 1783, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before. Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: David Brigden, Henry Wansey.

Seal, oval, 18 x 15 mm., red wax, applied. A profile.

Indenture of lease, 10 December 1790, by the same to the same (of Bathampton), upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

Tag and Seal missing.

Indenture of lease, 16 January 1798, by the same to the same (of Salisbury), upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents as before vis. 5l:19s:7d and 263 gallons 1 quart of wheat and 522 gallons of malt or their money equivalent, for the site of the manor of Hanging Langford and 12d and 2 gallons 1 quart of wheat and 4 gallons 2 quarts of malt or their equivalent, for the copyhold tenement.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Henry Hetley, Francis Seward.

Seal, oval, 25 x 18 mm., red wax, applied. A bad impression, broken. Armorial.

Indenture of lease, 22 February 1805, by the same to the Rev. William Moody, of Bathampton, co. Wilts, clerk, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before, together with 9l:1s:4d in consideration of the redemption of land tax.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: James King, Bathsheba Pittny, servants to the lessee.

Seal, oval, 23 x 18 mm., dark wax, applied. Armorial, vert, a fesse engrailed argent surmounted of another gules between three harpies. Crest, a wolf's head erased.

Indenture of lease, 22 November 1811, by the same to the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: M.A. Brotherton, governess, Philip Pittney, footman to lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied. No impression.

Indenture of lease, 5 August 1819, by the same to the same, for 160l and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Ann Luff, servant to lessee, John Nicholson,
Barford, Wilts, solicitor.

Seal, red wax, applied. As on no. 27.

Indenture of lease, 29 October 1825, by the same to the same, for 160l and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

Doubled tag from which the College Seal has been cut.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Mary Ann Ball, Elizabeth Miles, servants to lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied. As on no. 27. A bad impression.

Indenture of lease, 20 October 1832, by the same to William Wyndham, of Dinton House, co. Wilts, esq., for 160l and the surrender of a lease to the Rev. William Moody, deceased, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

Doubled tag from which the College Seal has been cut.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: A. Wyndham, C. Nicholson, Barford.

Seal, oval, 24 x 16 mm., red wax, applied. A lion's head erased, within a round arch.

Indenture of lease, 17 October 1839, by the same to the same, for 2131:18s and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

Doubled tag, from which the College Seal has been cut.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: C. Nicholson.

Seal, red wax, applied. As on no. 35.

Endorsed with a memorandum the Bursar by letter dated 14 February 1840 promised that a more accurate description of the property should be introduced in any future lease as it appears from the College documents that the moiety of the water mill ceased to be in existence before the year 1776.

Indenture of lease, 19 January 1847, by the same to the same, for 253l:9s and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same, less the moiety of the water mill, and excepting the several pieces of land now scheduled and staked out and intended to be taken by the Wilts Somerset and Weymouth Railway Company. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, black wax, applied. As on no. 35.

Indenture of lease, 21 October 1853, by the same to the same, for 248l:13s:1d and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same. From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: Francis Wyndham, esq., Dinton, Wilts.

Seal, rectangular, 16 x 13 mm., red wax, applied.

A male profile.

Counterpart of lease, 20 November 1860, by the same to the same, for 272l:17s:6d and the surrender of the foregoing, of the same (the Railway has now taken the land intended). From old Michaelmas last for 20 years. Rents etc. as before.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: Thomas Barnes, gamekeeper, Teffont Magna, Wilts.

Seal, oval, 22 x 17 mm., red wax, applied. A male profile.

Copy, attested 8 May 1839 by James Morgan and P. Pearce, of Dorchester, of the Hanging Langford Inclosure Award of 26 July 1836, made pursuant to the Inclosure Act of 3 William IV; the commissioners being John Baverstock Knight, of Piddlehinton, gentleman, and Oliver Stubbs, of Hinton St. George, co. Somerset, gentleman.

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