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THE PAPERS OF THE REV. WALTER BUDGEN (1862-1952)

Walter Budgen was resident in Eastbourne from 1899 and was author of Old Eastbourne, its church, its clergy and its people (1911), the moving spirit in securing the donation of Wilmington Priory and the Long Man to the Society, and the Society's Curator of Deeds from the time the office was created in 1936 and in fact if not in title since 1926.

A full obituary was printed in Sussex Notes and Queries, 13, nos 9 & 10 (May 1952), 226-8. His historical and archaeological notes which are in the Library mostly reflect these interests. They have been arranged in the following three classes:

Class 1. Notebooks containing, mainly, transcripts and abstracts of records relating to Eastbourne and neighbourhood. These were arranged and mostly numbered by Budgen, 1 to 144, with sub-sets under 29 and 30. In addition there is an index volume which covers many, but not all the notebooks, and also contains a list of the notebooks which has been used to reconstitute the series.

Class 2. Notebooks containing transcripts and abstracts of documents in the Firle muniments (i.e., the muniments of the Gage family by whose name they are now usually known). A list of these notebooks also appears in the index volume referred to under Class 1, where they are numbered F.A to F.H and F.10 to F.15.

Class 3. Other notebooks, files and loose papers, the original arrangement of which is not readily apparent and which have been arranged artificially in four groups:

Group I. Transcripts and extracts of documents deposited with the Sussex Archaeological Society (or Trust).

Group II. Transcripts and abstracts of documents not deposited with the Sussex Archaeological Society.

Group III. Notes from primary and secondary sources on historical topics, including drafts of lectures.

Group IV. Archaeological notes.

Class 1. Notebooks containing, mainly, transcripts and abstracts of records relating to Eastbourne and neighbourhood .

These notebooks were listed by K.W.Dickins in April 1960, though not under the titles on the notebooks nor under the titles in the accompanying index volume. At a later date, ~~xxxx~~ labels were stuck on the spines giving titles which did not necessarily correspond to Budgen's titles, his index volume list or Dickins' list. Time and inclination have precluded sorting out the titles. The key is the number of the notebook. The following list is based on Dickins', but the order in the index volume has been reinstated and a couple of notebooks removed to Class 3.

In the absence of any place being indicated, Eastbourne is to be understood.

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| 1 | Churchwardens' accounts, 1678-1728 . | |
| 2 | Notes of Eastbourne and church | |
| 3 | Antiquities | |
| 4 | Notes from parish registers | |
| 5 | Church monumental inscriptions | |
| 6 | Notes | |
| 7 | Parish registers | |
| 8 | Parish registers | |
| 9 | Vestry books, 1732-1855. | |
| 10 | Wills | |
| 11 | Glebe land | |
| 12 | Churchwardens' books | |
| 13 | Extracts from printed books | |
| 14 | Public Record office documents | |
| 15 | Vicars | |
| 16 | Bishop's registers | |
| 17 | <u>Victoria County History of Sussex, 2; Walcot, Chichester:</u> notes | |
| 18 | Notes from Swainson, <u>Chichester</u> . | MISSING |
| 19 | Vestry book 1847 | |
| 20 | Wills | |
| 21 | Eastbourne Natural History Society; Sussex record Society | |
| 22 | British Museum documents | |
| 23 | Tithe apportionments | |
| 24 | Eastbourne manors, rentals, extents, etc. | |
| 25 | Subsidy rolls | MISSING |
| 26 | Eastbourne curates | MISSING |
| 27 | Odd notes | |
| 28 | Churchwardens' book | MISSING |

Class 1 (continued)

- 29A Eastbourne parish register, transcript 1558-1573
- 29B ditto 1574-1588
- 29C ditto 1588-1603
- 29D ditto 1603-1635
- 30A ditto
- 30B ditto
- 30C ditto
- 30D ditto
- 30E ditto
- 30F ditto
- 31 Eastbourne parish register, index of personal names
- 32 Archdeaconry records
- 33 Population
- 34 Extracts from various records
- 35 Archdeaconry visitations
- 36 Churchyard inscriptions Eastbourne Parish Church.
- 37 Odd notes
- 38 Inquisitiones post mortem, transcripts
- 39 British Museum, Burrell MSS.
- 40 Genealogies MISSING
- 41 Crown plea rolls and Assize rolls
- 42 ~~Wilson manor in Eighington~~ Public Record Office documents
- 43 Wilson manor in Eighington
- 44 Medes manor
- 45 Sussex Archaeological Collections, extracts
- 46 Assessments, church rates
- 47 Wills
- 48 ~~Lewes~~ Wills proved at Lewes
- 49 Rectory manor
- 50 Gildredge rental
- 51 Gildredge titles
- 52 Abstracts of deeds
- 53 Charter and other documents in Public Record Office and British Museum
- 54 Particulars of land sales, 1809, 1839
- 55 Alfriston, Jevington, Willingdon, notes, also Felkington, Friston, Withington, inc. NTS
- 56 Eastbourne manor rolls
- 57 Hartfield Pashley manor
- 58 Willingdon, Hailsham and Langney charters
- 59 Extracts from printed books

Class 1 (continued)

60	Various	MISSING
61	Press cuttings	
62	Eighington (Ripe), Lamport, Medes manors	
63	Willingdon, Eastbourne-Parker, St. John's, Ocklynge manors	
64	De la Chambre family	
65	Inquisitiones post mortem transcripts relating to Blatchington manor	
66	Wills	
67	Muster rolls	
68	Feudal aids. Notes from feet of fines, etc.	
69	Public Record office transcripts, Excete, etc.	
70	Various, including turnpikes	
71	Gildredge titles to lands	
72	Chartularies and early rentals of Wilmington, Bayham, Jervington, etc.	
73	Nonae rolls, and clergy list	
74	Pipe rolls, etc.	MISSING
75	Anglo-Saxon charters	
76	Blatchington manor, court rolls and rentals	
77	Robertsbridge abbey chartularies, extracts	
78	Rights of way, Eastbourne and Birling	
79	Turnpike Acts	
80	Extracts from E.H.W.Dunkin's notes and lists	
81	Manor of Downeashe and Bowley	
82	Odd notes	MISSING
83	Hundred of Eastbourne, view of frankpledge	
84	Rodmell, Beverington surveys, etc.	
85	Inventory of Compton Place	
86	Earl of Wilmington's and Earl of Northampton's accounts, 18th c.	
87	Extracts from their stewards' letters, 18th c.	
88	Extracts from their stewards' letters, 18th c.	
89	Ashdown Forest	
90	Compton titles to lands	
91	Compton Place, early charters 1	
92	Compton Place, early charters 2	
93	Partition of Eastbourne manor	
94	Hundred and manor of Eastbourne court book, 1-20 Henry VII	
95	James Burton's book, 16th c., 1	
96	James Burton's book 2	
97	Eastbourne manor, rentals and bounders	
98	Jevington surveys	
99	Compotus rolls	

Class 1 (continued)

- 100 Burton lawsuits
- 101 Medesey 'borowe'
- 102 Roads MISSING
- 103 Eastbourne court book, Henry VII.
- 104 Burton deeds, miscellaneous
- 105 Burton Wilson manor
- 106 Eastbourne court rolls and rentals *Eastbourne Burton*
- 107 Wil~~x~~ington rentals m
- 108 Wil~~x~~ington manor m */ Pevensey*
- 109 Compton Place, list of deeds
- 110 Hundred of Pevensey courts, 13 Edward I-5 Henry VII
- 111 Eastbourne manors, Public Record Office transcripts
- 112 Medes manor, views and courts
- 113 Medsey cort rolls and rentals, Radmell Beverington court roll
- 114 Jevington court rolls
- 115 Jevington court rolls
- 116 Census returns 1841
- 117 Compton Place, accounts and correspondence
- 118 Duchy of Lancaster, bounders
- 119 Partington's manorial accounts *Partington's manorial accounts*
- 120 Compton Place, miscellaneous records
- 121 Public Record Office extracts
- 122 Dodsworth MSS., Bodleian Library
- 123 Folkington court rolls, 1606 onwards
- 124 Folkington register
- 125 ^wStuart's letters and accounts, 1725-42
- 126 Tithes: Westham, Pevensey, Hailsham, Westdene, Alfriston
- 127 Water scots, Pevensey 1783. Valuation of Cavendish lands 1821
- 128 Westminster Abbey and Public Record Office extracts
- 129 Compton Place documents, 1717-41
- 130 Terrier to Figg map, 1816. Valuation 1801, 1776
- 131 Compton Place, letters
- 132 Jevington, miscellaneous
- 133 Water scots. Heighton St. Clere reeve's account 1285/6
- 134 Jevington tithe apportionments
- 135 Gage family
- 136 Local records
- 137 ~~Eastbourne~~-Gildredge court rolls. Robertsbridge manor survey
- 138 Wilmington, Berwick and Arlington tithe apportionments
- 139 Miscellaneous records
- 140 Langney court rolls

Class 1 (continued)

- 141 Eastbourne terriers
- 142 Alciston court rolls, 1275-
- 143 Chalvington rentals. Lewes Priory chartulary
- 144 Berwick rentals
- 145 Index volume. No references to notebooks beyond no. 77 have been found in the index.

Class 2. Notebooks containing transcripts and abstracts of documents in the Firle (Gage family) muniments.

These notebooks are numbered F.A. to F.H. and F.10 to F.15 in the index volume, 145. But Budgen seems to have substituted the numbers 1 to 8 for the letters A to H, reordering them at the same time and introducing one numbered 9. The later numbering is followed here.

- F.1 Surveys of farms, 1794 with additions. Berwick terrier. (Formerly F.F.)
- F.2 Heighton, Firle, Excete, Friston (boxes 4 and 5), Maresfield (box 6), inquisitions and wills (box 7). (Assumed to be formerly F.A.) MISSING
- F.3 Ramscombe and Compton Berwick (box 8). (Formerly F.C.)
- F.4 Alciston. (Formerly F.D.)
- F.5 Maresfield rentals, etc. (Formerly F.B.)
- F.6 Old accountys (box 11), Bentley lands (box 12), Alciston (box 16). (formerly F.G.)
- F.7 Old leases (box 13). Hieghton court rolls . (Formerly F.H.)
- F.8 Documents from portfolio, Burstow and Sussex various, Gloucester, Ersham manor and Lamport. (Formerly F.E.)
- F.9 Alciston, bailiff's accounts.
- F.10 Old rentals (box 17).
- F.11 Eighington, Lamport, Eastbourne, Bayham court rolls.
- F.12 Wards and liveries; letters patent (box 19).
- F.13 Alciston court rolls, Edward IV - Henry VI and later.
- F.14 Heighton court rolls.
- F.15 MISSING

Class 3. Other notebooks, files and loose papers.

Group I. Transcripts and abstracts of documents deposited with the Sussex Archaeological Society (or Trust). Below, the documents are tentively identified from the calendars and from K.W.Dickins, 'The muniments of the Sussex Archaeological Trust', Sussex Archaeological Collections, 94 (1956), 144-58, by the class marks or locations before the documents

Class 3 (continued)

were transferred to the East Sussex Record Office to which enquiries about the originals should now be made. The numbers assigned to the items are prefaced by 'B' to avoid confusion with the notebooks in Class 1.

B.1. Manorial surveys and rentals:

- Posingworth in Walderney^[Walderney] 1565 (J606)
- Sandore Sutton and Michelham Sutton, 1624, specimen pages only (M380)
- Chalvington, 1662 (CH227)
- Heighton St. Clere, 1470 (G/1/52)
- Northese, 1587 (ABER 129)
- Rodmell, 1587 (ABER 129).

B.2. Manorial surveys and rentals:

- Wilmington, 1673 (CP 218)
- West Firle, 1704 (G 17/9)
- Amies al. Levitts in West Firle, 1704 (G 17/9)
- Hosyers in West Firle, 1758 (G 17/17)
- Heighton St. Clere, 1470 (G 1/52)
- Heighton St. Clere in West Firle, 1693 (G 17/4)
- Little Horsted al. the Mote, 1786 (G 17/20)
- Jevington, 1363 ('Original not in custody of SAT')
- Horsted Keynes and Broadhurst, 1668 (? HB, not catalogued)
- 'Burgha de Suthram', 13th c. (G 45/15)
- Ramscombe in South Malling, temp. Henry VIII (G 34/11, 12)
- Folkington, 1630 (M 163)

B.2. (cont.)

Chalvington, 1558-60 ('we have not any originals')

Chalvington, customs, 1662.

B.3. Manorial surveys and rentals:

Horsted Keynes and Broadhurst, 1668 (? HB, not catalogued)

Wilmington, 1673 (CP 218)

West Firle, 1704 (G 17/9)

Amies al. Levetts in Firle, 1704 (G 17/9)

Hosiers in West Firle, 1758 (G 17/17)

Jevington, 1363 (original not in custody of SAS)

Little Horsted, 1786

Ramscombe, 16th c.

Heighton St. Clere, 1693 (G 17/3)

Selmston and Ludley, 1823

Northese and Iford, 1587 (ABER 129)

Rodmell, 1587 (ABER 129)

Folkington, 1630 (M 202)

Friston and Crowlink, contents of farm, c.1794

Berwick common fields (G 45/180)

Winkton Farm, Alfriston, contents, c. 1794

Bishopston, extract, 1685

Sandore Sutton in Seaford, 1624, 1589, 1627 (M 380, 364, 372)

Alciston, 1433 (G 45/13)

Chalvington, 1569-1793 ('originals in possession of the Hon. Mrs. Whistler 1944').

B.4. Surveys and rentals of the manor of Chalvington, 1558/9-1793:

survey 1558/9

survey 1569

breviate of survey 1615

rental 1625

rental 1662

customs 1662

rental 1670

rental 1681

quitrents due 1748

quitrents due 1761

rental 1793.

These dates and descriptions do not correspond to those for the documents in CH 215-243.

B.5. Rentals and court rolls of the manors of Eighington, Lamport, and Friston:

- Lamport, rental, 1484/85 (G 3/3)
- Lamport and Friston, courts, 1438/39, 1439/40 (G 3/15)
- Lamport, courts, 1527/28-1546/47, ~~1558/59~~ (G 3/19)
- Lamport, rental, 1556/57 (G 3/7)
- Lamport, courts, 1558/9, 1559/60, 1596/7 (G 3/23, 23a)
- Eighington and Lamport, courts, 1562/63-1567/68 (G 3/24)
- Eighington and Lamport, courts, 1568/69-1577/78 (G 3/25)
- Eighington and Lamport, courts, 1525/26 (G 3/17)

B.6/1-4. Bailiff's and almoner's accounts for the manor of Alciston.

Covering dates for bailiff's accounts, 1347-1496. Almoner's accounts, in 6/4, for 1530, 1532, 1450, and 1403/4. (G 44)

B.7. Extracts from the Gage muniments (G), 13th-17th centuries, including:

- account of steward and general receiver of Philip Seyntclere, 1396-99;
- account of reeve of Heighton St. Clere manor, 1285-6.

B.8. Extracts and notes from documents not clearly identified, but probably mainly the Gage muniments (G).

B.9. Rentals and court rolls of the manors of Pevensey, Sharnfold and Peeling:

- Pevensey, courts, 1673-85 (CP 211)
- Pevensey, rental, 1703 (CP 212)
- Pevensey, rental, 1759 (CP 214)
- Sharnfold and Peeling, rental, 1759 (CP 236)
- Sharnfold and Peeling, notes from rentals, 1613, ?1703, 1711
(CP 230, 232, 233)
- Collyers Gut, sketch plan and note.

B.10. Court rolls of the manor of Wartling and Rockland in Boreham, 1559-1569 (FB 440).

B.11. Analysis of the court rolls of the manor of Socknersh in Brightling, 1425-1680 (Box 8).

B.12. Court rolls of the manor of Stedham, 1527-65 (18/E).

B.13. Notes from documents in the possession of Henry Towner of Uckfield:
Eastbourne parish church, lease, 1562

B. 13. (continued)

manor of Barcombe, court rolls, 1674-1707 (Box 18)

manor of Sharnden, court rolls, 1472/73, 1568/69, 1547/48, 1548/49,
1549/50 (Box 18).

B. 14. Rough minutes of courts (1563/64-1622) and rental (1705), of the manor
of Peak Dean (Box 18).

B. 15. View of the Lord's rents within the Queen's part of the half
hundred of Loxfeld, 10 Jan. 1575/6 (Box 14).

B. 16/1-4. Abstracts from the Middleton deeds. See Sussex Record Society,
vol. 29 (1924).

B. 17. Calendar of unidentified group of documents, to which references
assigned: E1 L2.

Group II. Transcripts and abstracts of documents not deposited with the
Sussex Archaeological Society.

B. 18. Willingdon manor, rental 1567, and court rolls, 1672-1705.

B. 19. Register book of the parish of Arlington, 1607-1698. Uncorrected
carbon copy of typescript. Top copy shelved in SAS Library.

B. 20. Berwick and Alciston with Selmeston parish records:

Berwick: vestry meetings, 1644-81

churchwardens' and overseers' accounts 1681-1756

poor rate assessments c. 1650-70 (?1668), 1685, 1710, 1711

receipts for collections on briefs 1670-72

list of parish officers 1683-1769 extracted from vestry book.

Alciston with Selmeston::

churchwardens' and overseers' and surveyors' accounts 1664-1818

terrier, ?18th century.

B. 21. Index to Eastbourne parish register, but lacking letters C to F.

B. 22. Overseers' accounts for the parish of Warbleton 1719-30.

- B.23-27. These items comprise transcripts of, and notes from, the Duke of Devonshire's muniments at Compton Place, Eastbourne. These muniments have since been transferred to Chatsworth House, Derbyshire.
- B.23. 'Compton Place. Contents of Boxes.' Summary listing prepared by Budgen, probably in the course of calendaring material.
- B.24. 'Compton Place. Original Transcripts.' 13th-17th centuries.
Includes, e.g.,
 survey of the manor of Eastbourne 1574
 survey of Alfriston levels 1618
 inventory of the goods of Edward Burton 1560.
Also, draft of report on the Compton Place deeds.
- B.25. Notes from 18th and 19th century deeds and other documents at Compton Place. Indexed.
- B.26. Transcripts of letters:
 from Spencer, Earl of ^{Northampton}~~Wilmington~~ (died 1743) to the Hon. Charles Compton, 1728-42
 from Mr. George Compton (later 6th Earl of Northampton) to his brother Mr. Charles Compton, 1743-
 ~~from~~ to Lady Elizabeth Compton 1705-35.
- B.27. Notes from Compton Place documents relating to roads and footpaths in Eastbourne, late 18th and 19th centuries.
- B.28. Notes from various records in the Public Record Office and the Sussex Archaeological Society (?Gage and E.W.H.Dunkin's notes).
- B.29. Notes taken from the antiquarian notes of E.W.H.Dunkin, probably those now in the British Library, Department of Manuscripts, and relating mainly to the Eastbourne and Pevensey area.
- B.30/1-2. Abstracts and notes from the Domesday Book for Sussex (1086):
 'Analysis of Sussex Domesday Book'; page references given refer to W.D.Parish (ed.), Domesday book in relation to the County of Sussex (Lewes, 1886).
 notes on Domesday Book tenants in Pevensey Rape.

B.31. Names of deponents in the Exchequer depositions by Commission for the counties of Middlesex, London, Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Hampshire, 1-16/17 Elizabeth. The depositions are in Public Record office, E .
There is no internal evidence that this list was Budgen's work.

B.32. Transcripts from various records in the Public Record Office, the British Museum and the Sussex Archaeological Society.

Group III. Notes from primary and secondary sources on historical topics, including drafts of lectures.

B.33. Notes from various sources relating to Wilmington Priory and to the other English possessions of the Abbey of Grestein, near Honfleur, France.

~~B.34. Notes on the descent of manors.~~

B.34. Notes on the descent of manors. Notebook marked 'vol. J' by Budgen.

B.35. Notes on the descent of manors in and near Eastbourne.

B.36. Notes on the medieval descent of manors, etc., in or near Eastbourne.

B.37. Notes on the knight's fees of the Honour of Mortain and Aquila. Notebook marked 'vol. B' by Budgen.

B.38. Tabulations of knight's fees and tenements of the Honour of Aquila. Notebook marked 'vol. H' by Budgen.

B.39. 'Genealogies'. Loose pages of notes inserted between numbered pages of a reused ledger. Index on two loose sheets at front. Unsorted papers at back.

B.40. 'Notes from Richard Budgen's map of Sussex' (1724).

B.41. Scripts of, and notes for, lectures:

Eastbourne in the making

Some downland churches (1926)

Eastbourne district (report on archaeological activities)

The Honor of Arundel and the Counts of Eu

Eastbourne parish church

Gildredge House

A Cornish wheel cross

Eastbourne past and present.

Class 3 (continued)

B.42. 'Odd notes', mainly relating to Eastbourne and area.

B.43. Notes on coins, mainly Roman.

B.44. Notes on placenames and etymology. Numbered 'vol. LXI' by Budgen, but not in the list in the index volume (no. 145 above).

B.45. Notes on church architecture. Numbered 'vol. 140' by Budgen, but not in the list in the index volume (no. 145 above).

B.46. Twenty-nine small notebooks, containing, e.g., notes taken in the Public record Office and the British Museum (and subsequently transcribed into notebooks in, e.g., Class 1), notes from published works, notes taken in the field, including measurements of monuments and buildings, and monumental inscriptions, and notes for talks.

Group IV. Archaeological notes.

B.47. Notes on finding of skeletons near Lullington, 1935.

B.48. Notes on field monuments in the Jevington area.

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