

## THE DISPOSSESSED RELIGIOUS IN SURREY.

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WHAT happened to the inmates of the monasteries after the suppression of their houses? Their fate is not so difficult to ascertain as we have been led to believe; indeed, in many counties it is possible to trace, from official documents, the complete history of their later careers. Unluckily the most important of these documents are not available for Surrey. For example, the reports of the pension commissioners of 1552 and 1569 are missing: so is that which Bishop Gardiner must have sent to the Crown in 1555, which would have told us the number of former religious who had taken to themselves wives. The consequence of these losses is that these notes must be of a somewhat desultory nature, while the sources for them are necessarily very miscellaneous.<sup>1</sup>

So far as the pension system is concerned, a sharp distinction must be drawn between the poorer houses which were suppressed under the Act of 1536 and the larger, which surrendered between that date and 1540. In Surrey, the Cistercian abbey of Waverley and the Augustinian priories of Reigate and Tandridge went under the Act of 1536. Their heads alone got a pension: the other religious were expected to go into surviving houses of their "religion" or to take "capacities," *i.e.*, dispensations to serve as secular clergymen; these were given by the Archbishop of Canterbury and confirmed by the Crown. So we find two at least of the monks of Waverley

<sup>1</sup>For further information about the subjects touched on in this introduction and especially the pension system, I venture to refer readers to my *English Monks and the Suppression of the Monasteries* (1937), Chapter 10. Some of the suggestions contained in this book are supplemented or corrected in an important article by Mr. A. G. Dickens in a recent (July 1940) number of the *English Historical Review*, pp. 384, ff.

on the surrender (and pension) list of Beaulieu and two of the Reigate canons in London houses of their order. When the richer houses surrendered *all* the inmates got pensions and "capacities," nor were the pensions the "pittances" which sentimentalist writers have represented them to be. Moreover, they could be supplemented in all manner of ways. The Surrey Chantry Certificates of 1548 show that it was possible for the former religious to have two pensions.<sup>1</sup> It will be observed, too, that nearly all the former religious in Surrey were holding both livings and pensions. Financial necessity had caused this to be done with increasing frequency even before the Suppression.<sup>2</sup> The sale or transference of advowsons or next presentations had been extensively practised by patrons, lay and ecclesiastical, for many years. When the suppression of the monasteries was impending the religious used this means of insuring themselves against the future and transference of next presentations to friends or relations of the religious was extensively carried on.<sup>3</sup> That so many of the livings held by former monks and canons had been in the gift of their former houses was obviously not a matter of chance.

Friends and relations of the religious were also apt to benefit considerably by leases granted on favourable terms to them.<sup>4</sup> Abbot Cordrey of Chertsey had a violent quarrel with his monks on this very question :<sup>5</sup> while the leases granted during the last years of Merton priory deserve close study.<sup>6</sup> The records of the Augmentation Office, especially the conventual leases, would furnish a vast store of information on a subject which has hardly been tapped.

Finally, a further study of wills may be urged.<sup>7</sup> That of Abbot Cordrey (below) bears out his reputation for extrava-

<sup>1</sup> See *below* under Merton and Newark.

<sup>2</sup> Thus Abbot Cordrey of Chertsey held the Vicarage of Egham *in commendam* with his Abbey : Prior Lingfield of Tandridge, the Rectory of Oxted : Canon Rose of Newark, the Rectory of Wield.

<sup>3</sup> See *below* under Bermondsey and Merton for how Richard Gele and George Curzon obtained their livings.

<sup>4</sup> I have shown in detail in my *Monks* (pp. 197-200) how a former canon of Merton put this into practice after he had become Prior of Bodmin.

<sup>5</sup> *L.P.*, IX, No. 736.

<sup>6</sup> See Records of Merton by Major Heales for details.

<sup>7</sup> Especially the local ones proved in the Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey.

gance and self-indulgence which we know from other sources, while that of Prior Man of Sheen shows that he lived in hopes of seeing his house restored (though he did not rejoin it when Queen Mary fulfilled his desire).

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*References.*

- \* Shows pensioner still on pension list of 1556. P.R.O. Augmentation Office, Misc. books, vol. 31.  
*L.P.* = Calendar of Letters and Papers of Henry VIII.  
*Misc.* = P.R.O. Augmentation Office, Miscellanea bundle 26. (Accounts of Geo. Wright, receiver for Berks., Bucks., etc., 1548-49).  
*Visitations.* Lincoln (in diocesan registry). Winchester do., but Bishop Gardiner's Visitation of 1541 is printed in Mr. Chitty's edition (Canterbury and York Society) of his register, pp. 174 ff.

(1) BENEDICTINE MONKS.

*Chertsey.*

Surrendered 6 July, 1537, and all monks transferred to Bisham, Berks., which surrendered 19 June, 1538.

Pension List of Bisham, *L.P.*, XIV (1), p. 596.

**Abbot.**

1. *John Cordrey* [or Corderoy]. Elected 1529. £66 13. 4.  
 Also Vicar of Egham, 1532, died 1541. Next institution 10 December, 1541, by grant of late Abbot and Convent of Chertsey; on his death.  
 For his Will dated 21 November, 1541 [*sic*], see Appendix, *infra*.
- \*2. *William Waller*.
- \*3. *Lawrence Hodgson*.
- \*4. *Thomas Potter*. £5.  
 One of this name Vicar of Newport Pagnell, Bucks., 1571-75.
- \*5. *John Rolfe*.  
 In 1540 and 1543 (Bishop of Lincoln's *Visitations*), Curate of North Church, Herts., with Pension from Bisham.

In 1548, Rector of Millbrook, Beds., with Pension from Bisham. *Misc.* Rector from 1544. Next institution on death, 1557.

6. *John Church.*

\*7. *Edward Stevenson.*

One of this name incumbent of the Chantry or free Chapel of Brambletye, Sussex, in 1543, and Vicar of Willingdon, Sussex, 1559; died 1561.

8. *John Buttes.*

\*9. *John Mylist.*

In 1548 he was serving cure of Laleham, Middlesex. *Misc.* Instituted Vicar of Chertsey, 18 January, 1559-60. Next institution, 1576.

\*10. *William Roke.*

In May, 1548, he was dwelling at Hambleden, Bucks. In November, 1548, with Mr. Lovelace at Hurley, Berks. Vicar of Hurley, 1552. Died 1558. Will dated 1 September, 1558, to be buried in church porch. See F. Wethered, *History of Hurley*, p. 87.

[The Lovelace family built a house on the site of Hurley Priory—cell to Westminster Abbey.]

11. *Robert Knight.*

1548 *Misc.* (No place.)

12. *Anthony Symonson.*

13. *John Walter.*

Presumably J. W., priest of Warfield, Berks. Will proved 1545.

14. *Ralph Wachett.*

Pension £3 6. 8. In 1548, dwelling at Wandsworth, Surrey. *Misc.*

He is presumably the Ralph Laose or Lawes, instituted to the Vicarage of Curry Rivell, Somerset, 1556, on the presentation of John Cordrey, to whom the presentation had been assigned in 1538 by Abbot Cordrey of Bisham (it had been a Bisham living). The next Vicar died in 1577.

15. *William Rugys.*

In 1548, he was dwelling at Midgham, Berks. *Misc.* Midgham was a Chapelry of Thatcham, and he was presumably Curate in Charge.

Besides the above :—

*Thomas Hore.*

Former Prior of Cardigan,<sup>1</sup> Cell to Chertsey. Was in November, 1549. (*Misc.*) dwelling at White Waltham, Berks. (Formerly a Chertsey living. The list of its incumbents seems to be incomplete.)

## (2) CLUNIAN MONKS.

*Bermondsey.*

Surrender 1 January, 1537/8.

Pension List of 22 April, 1538. *L.P.*, XIII (1), No. 521.

\*1. *Robert Warton* alias *Purefoy* or *Parfew*.

S.T.B. Abbot from 1525. Consecrated Bishop of S. Asaph, 2 July, 1536, translated to Hereford, 1554; died 22 September, 1557.

He held the Abbey *in commendam* with his bishopric and at the surrender had a pension of £333. 6. 8, which he was still holding in 1556.

\*2. *Richard Gile* or *Gele*. Prior. £10.

Rector of Bermondsey, 1543, on the presentation of John Gele and others under a grant by the late Abbot and Convent of Bermondsey. Next institution, 16 March, 1553-54, *de jure vac.* This expression in Marian registers usually means deprived for marriage.

In 1562 he is described as unmarried. But he would have had to shed his wife to get another living in Mary's reign.

Vicar of Camberwell, 1556-77.

In the C.C.C.C. Parker certificates he is described as A.M., non-resident, living in County [*sic*] of Colchester. He must have been Rector of Layer Marney, Essex, from 1554 to his death in 1577.

3. *Thomas Gainsborough.*

Prior of Derby. (Cell to Bermondsey.) £7.

<sup>1</sup> For his evidence about that quaint object of superstition, the taper of Cardigan, see Wright, *Letters relating to the Suppression of the Monasteries*, pp. 186 and 187.

4. *Thomas Gele*.  
S.T.B., Oxon (1520). £6.  
Vicar of Halstead, Essex, 1540, died 1557. Warden of S. Mary Magdalene's Hospital, Colchester, December, 1557. Rector of S. Leonard's, Colchester, April-July, 1557.
- \*5. *John Kynder*.  
Sub Prior. £6.  
Rector of Walton-on-the-Hill, Surrey, 1562. Next institution, 1573.
- \*6. *Peter Luke*.  
Chanter. £6.  
Perhaps Peter Lucas, Rector of Chevening, Kent, 1558; died 1561.
- \*7. *John Cutbert*. £6.  
A John Cutler was Rector of the former Bermondsey living of S. George, Southwark, 1564-91.
8. *Thomas Rokeley* or *Ratcliff*. £5. 6. 8.
- \*9. *William Paynter*. £5 6. 8.  
Register N. of the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury shows that he "formerly monk of Bermondsey" was deprived for marriage of the curacy of Leigh, Kent, in 1554. Presumably he is the W. P., Rector of Upper Halstow, Kent, 1560; died 1577.
- \*10. *Thomas Stanbank*. £5. 6. 8.  
Rector of High Laver, Essex, 1542; died 1566, and buried there.  
The C.C.C.C. certificates of 1560 show that he had a letter of plurality dated 1539. Where his second living was I don't know.
11. *Stephen Fellowe*. £5. 6. 8.
12. *John Coy* or *Quoy*. £2.
13. *John Marshall*. 13s. 4d.

## (3) CISTERCIAN MONKS.

*Waverley*.

Granted to Sir William Fitzwilliam, 20 July, 1536.

*William Alyng* or *Alynger*. Abbot. [Date of succession unrecorded, but it must be 1533 when Abbot Browning was transferred to Beaulieu.] After the suppression he seems to

have retired to Oxford, where he became Provisor (Head) of the Cistercian College of S. Bernard. His will (dated 26 September, 1539, proved 5 January, 1539-40) is summarised in Stevenson and Salter's *Early History of S. John's College, Oxford*, p. 37. His property, including a virginal, was mostly let to scholars of S. Bernard's College and he desired to be buried at S. Mary Magdalene's Church, Oxford. Probably he may be identified with the William Alyng, instituted to the Rectory of Yoxall, Staffordshire, 22 February, 1538-39 (died 1539) on the presentation of Sir William Hollys, Kt.

It does not seem possible to obtain a complete list or even the number of the monks of Waverley at the suppression. The following names were taken by Mr. Baigent from the ordination lists in Bishop Foxe's register at Winchester :

1. *Roger Gardiner*, ordained 1508.
2. *William Peddar*, ordained 1508.
3. *John Hede*, ordained 1511.
4. *John Parker*, ordained 1511.

Presumably curate (in charge) of Wanborough (a Waverley living) in 1541 : paid by the Lord Privy Seal (*i.e.*, Sir Wm. Fitzwilliam, now Earl of Southampton).

5. *William Battill*, ordained deacon, 1527.
6. *John Hawthorne*, ordained priest, 19 September, 1528.  
Curate of Waverley, 1541, paid by Lord Southampton. Rector of East Clandon, Surrey, 1545 and buried there 8 January, 1570-71. In the C.C.C.C. return of 1562, he is described as unmarried, but the parish register shows that he married 30 June, 1564, and that his son, John, was baptized 3 October, 1568.
7. *John Carpenter*, ordained sub-deacon, 1521.
8. *Robert Effingham*, ordained deacon, 1522.
9. *John Fairclough*, ordained priest, 1518.
10. *John Kery*, ordained priest, 1518.

On the suppression of Waverley, he was transferred to Beaulieu, from which he had a pension of £5 in 1538. Probably Curate of Puttenham, Surrey, in 1541, and of Lasham, Hants, in 1551 and 1555.

11. *Simon Skerwhitt*, ordained 1514.

Query the Simon Hacker of the Beaulieu pension list.

12. *Nicholas Barnard*, ordained sub-deacon, 23 September, 1514.

Vicar of Boldre, Hants, 1540, died 1555, and Incumbent of the Free Chapel of South Baddesley, Hants, 1543, till its suppression in 1548.

(4) CARTHUSIAN MONKS.

*Sheen.*

Surrender 15 March, 1539 (E. M. Thompson, *Carthusian Order in England*, p. 447, from Augmentation Office. Deeds of Surrender, No. 270.)

Pension List, 10 October, 1539. (*Ibid.*, p. 488, from Augmentation Office *Misc.* books 234, f. 3 b. Cf. also *Letters and Papers of Henry VIII.*, XX (1) No. 557 (1545); XXI (2) No. 775 (1546).)

1. *Henry Man*, Prior, S.T.P., Oxon, 1539. Pension £137. 6. 8.

Dean of Chester, 1541-46.

Bishop of Man, 1546, died 19 October, 1556, and buried in accordance with his will (below) in S. Andrew's, Undershaft, London.

Rector of Sibson, Leics., from ? to death; formerly a Sheen living.

Vicar of Thurcaston, Leics., 1555 (by assignment of the Prior and Convent of Sheen to John Edmonds, Esq., and others).

According to Machyn's diary he was married. Will dated 18 October, 1556, proved 1 February, 1556-57.

[Printed in appendix: *infra*.]

2. *Th. Gold*.

3. *Th. Hynds*, or *Hyndeby*.

4. *Th. Smith*. 1st half-year only in 1546.

5. *Henry Ball*. Marked *nil* in 1544.

6. *Thomas Calton*.

7. *Thomas Lowe*. Monk of New Sheen under Mary.

E. M. Thompson, *op. cit.*, pp. 503 and 506.

8. *Robert Marshall*. Monk of New Sheen under Mary.

E. M. Thompson, *op. cit.*, pp. 443, 444.

9. *George Hornby*, Rector of Chignal, Essex, 1544, resigned 1550.



10. *Edmund Fleetwood*, Proctor. £13. 6. 8.  
Rector of Woolpit, Suffolk, 1554; died 1556.
11. *Robert Horsley*. Marked *nil* in 1546.
12. *Richard Tyldesley*.
13. *Th. Manfield*.
14. *Robert Chaffen*. Marked *nil* in 1545.
15. *John Pysaunt*.  
Vicar of Bexley, Kent, 1542; resigned 1554.  
Vicar of Thaxted, Essex, 1546-65.  
Rector of Lachingdon, Essex, 1562; died 1565.  
Dean of Bocking, from 1564 to death.  
Vicar of Stansted Montfichet, Essex, 1551-63.
16. *John Bromley*.
17. *Robert Thurlby*. Monk of New Sheen; died at Bruges, 1558. E. M. Thompson, *op. cit.*, pp. 503 and 506.
18. *John Clement*.
19. *William Wood*.
20. *William Rylbery* or *Kylbery*. Marked *nil* in 1545.
21. *John Crabtree*. Pension of £8.  
*L.P.*, XIII (2), No. 1196.

## (5) AUGUSTINIAN CANONS.

*Merton.*

Surrender 16 April, 1538. *L.P.*, XIII (1), No. 779.

Pension List, 9 May, 1538. *L.P.*, XIII (1), No. 963.

- \*1. *John Ramsay* alias *Bowelle*, S.T.B., Oxon, 1522.  
Prior from 1530. 200 Marks and messuage called  
Prior's House, in London.  
Canon of Windsor, 1557, died 15 August, 1558, and  
buried at Windsor.  
*Le Neve, Fasti III*, 395.
- \*2. *John Debenham*. Sub-Prior. £8.  
Occurs Canon 1520-30 (infirmarian). In 1548 the  
Surrey Chantry Certificates show that he was in-  
cumbent of the Free Chapel of S. Mary Magdalene,  
Kingston-on-Thames, aged 53.  
The Lincoln Diocese Pension return of 1554-55  
( = P.R.O. Exchequer 101  $\frac{76}{26}$  ) shows that he was

then living at Taplow, Bucks., with two pensions—£8 from Merton and £5 from the Free Chapel.

3. *Thomas Colson* alias *Godmanchester*.

Occurs Canon 1530. (Sacrist.) £6. 13. 4.

4. *John Cuddington*. £6 13. 4.

Occurs Curate (in charge) of Merton in Bishop Gardiner's visitation of 1541.

He is probably to be identified with the John Mantill, curate there in 1562, and married; buried at Merton, 10 March, 1568-69. The Alicia Mantill buried there 31 May, 1571, was presumably his widow.

5. *Richard Todd* alias *Windsor*. £6. 13. 4.

Occurs 1530.

6. *George Curzon* alias *Albyn*. £6. 13. 4.

The register of Archbishop Cranmer shows that he was instituted Rector of Taplow, Bucks., 8 December, 1551, on the presentation of Thomas Curzon, Esq., and others by grant of the late Prior and Convent of Merton.

In 1554 he was reported as unmarried.

By his Will, dated 23 December, 1556, he desired to be buried in Taplow Church (Browne Willis MSS., XIV, 60.)

7. *John Hayward*. £6. 13. 4.

8. *Richard Benese*. £6. 13. 4. B. Can. L., Oxon, 1519.

Prebendary of Farrendon in Lincoln Cathedral, 1542; died 1546.

Precentor of Hereford Cathedral, 1538 to death.

Rector of Beddington, Surrey, 1540; resigned 1543.

Rector of All Hallows, Honey Lane, London, (presented by Crown), 1540; resigned 1545.

Rector of Long Ditton, Surrey, 1542, on the presentation of Henry Williams, S.T.B., by grant of the late Prior and Convent of Merton. He held this living till his death.

Rector of Long Leadenham, Lincs., 1542 (presented by Crown) to death.

Rector of Pyworthy, Devon, 1539 (presented by Crown) to death.

There is an inadequate account of him in the *Dictionary of National Biography*. He was the author of a book on land surveying.

Will dated 3 November, 1543, and proved in the prerogative court of Canterbury 20 October, 1548, "soul to God my Redcemer (only) bequest of 13/4 to a priest to say trental of masses for me." To be buried in Long Ditton Churchyard.

9. *Thomas Mitchell*. £6. 13. 4.

10. *Edmund Honybee*. £6. 13. 4.

Presumably *alias* Downham or Dowman of the 1530 Election.

An Edmund Dorman was Vicar of Chalfont St. Peter, Bucks., 1559 to his death in 1568.

11. *John Merevale*. £6. 13. 4.

Presumably the J. M., Vicar of Hurstbourne Tarrant, Hants., for a few months in 1546 till his death.

\*12. *John Saling*. £6. 13. 4.

He was *alias* Greenwood, as the Norwich deprivation and pension return for 1555 shows (printed in *English Historical Review* for 1933, *cf.* pp. 62 and 119).

In that year he was living at Orford, Suffolk, on a pension of £6. 13. 4, divorced from his wife. He had been chantry priest of Orford from 1545 to the suppression of the Chantry in 1548.

A John Greenwood was Rector of Polstead, Suffolk, from 1548, deprived for marriage 1554, restored 1559, buried as *Magister* Greenwood, 30 December, 1570. He may be the same man, though they are entered as different persons in the Deprivation List (*supra*), pp. 62 and 63.

\*13. *Robert Knight*. £6. 13. 4.

One of this name, Vicar of Buxted, Sussex, 1559-? 1575.

14. *John Page*, Scholar at Oxford. £6. 13. 4.

\*15. *Thomas Paynell*. £10.

He succeeded Richard Benese *supra* in the Rectory of All Hallows, Honey Lane, 1545, and since he was still Rector in 1560, according to the C.C.C. returns, he presumably held the living till his death. Will

dated 10 March, 1559-60, proved 22 March, 1563-64, printed in *North Country Wills* (Surtees Society), II, 24.

His will shows he was also Rector of Cottingham, Yorks (date of institution unrecorded). His printed works, chiefly translations, are recorded under his name in the *Dictionary of National Biography*.

### Newark.

Pension Lists of January, 1539. *L.P.*, XIII (2), No. 1196; XIV (1), No. 68.

\*1. *Richard Lipscombe*. Prior from 1538. £40.

Rector of Eversley, Hants. Compounded for first fruits, 18 February, 1552-53. Next institution on his death, 24 January, 1555-56.

\*2. *William Thetcher* or *Techer*. £6.

In 1541 visitation occurs Curate (in charge) of Pyrford (Chapelry of Woking, a Newark living).

\*3. *John Rose* has for pension a Church appropriate to the house.

This was Wield, Hants., of which he is described as curate in the 1541 and 1545 visitations. Another name in that of 1555. A Latin bible now in the library of Keble College, Oxford, was given to him by Prior John Grave of Newark, 3 October, 1538. (Evidently a death-bed gift.)

[A John Rose was Vicar of Ditchling, Sussex, for a few months till his death in 1552, but the Newark Canon is still on the pension list of 1556.]

4. *William Blundell*. £5. 6. 8.

Occurs curate of Ripley, Surrey (Chapelry of Send, a Newark living), in 1541.

\*5. *Nicholas White*. £5. 6. 8.

Occurs curate of West Molesey (Chapelry of Walton-on-Thames) in the 1541 visitation. One of this name was Vicar of Peasmore, Berks., 1545-51.

\*6. *Richard Wode* or *Ode*.

Occurs 1548 as Stipendiary of Ripley, "having small learning" according to the Surrey Chantry

certificates (*Surrey Archæological Collections*, Vol. XXV).

He was instituted to the Vicarage of Chobham, Surrey, on the presentation of the Queen, 18 May, 1560 (Register of Archbishop Parker (Canterbury and York Society), p. 206). But Thomas Brodhurst was Vicar in 1561 (see the Surrey lists in Vol. XLV of these *Collections*), so Wood may never have got possession.

\*7. *Thomas Snelling.* £5. 6. 8.

In the 1548 Chantry Certificates (*see above*) he is described as incumbent of John Stopham's Chantry in Frimley Church (Chapelry of Ash).

He got a pension of £5 from this Chantry as well as that from Newark, both of which he was enjoying in 1556.

\*8. *John Martin.* £5. 6. 8.

One of this name was Vicar of Puttenham, 1549-54.

9. *Thomas Garland.* £5. 6. 8.

### *Reigate.*

Suppressed 26 July, 1536. *L.P.*, IX, 798.

*List of Canons from Election of 28 November, 1530, from Wolsey's Register at Winchester.*

1. *John Lynden.*

Prior from 1530. Formerly Canon of S. Mary Overie, Southwark.

2. *Robert Kanam.*

Probably transferred to S. Bartholomew, Smithfield, and to be identified with the Robert Kenham of its pension list.

3. *Richard Dowtie.*

4. *Thomas Kendall.*

Transferred to S. Mary Overie *infra*.

5. *Robert Aires.*

A brass, now lost, indicated that he was buried in Reigate Church (year missing), *Surrey Archæological Collections*, Vol. XXXII, p. 67 (1919).

*Southwark (S. Mary Overie).*

Surrender 27 October, 1539. *L.P.*, XIV (2), No. 401.

- \*1. *Bartholomew Fowle* alias *Linsted*. £100 and house in Close.  
Formerly Canon of Leeds, Kent.  
Occurs Sub-Prior 1510.  
Prior by 1526.
- \*2. *Thomas Hendon* alias *London*. £8.  
Presumably the T. H., Rector of Staplehurst, Kent, 1554-59 (when the deprived Rector of 1554 was restored).  
Foxe in the *Acts and Monuments* gives him a bad character as a persecutor of the gospellers.
- 3. *William Godwin*. £8.
- \*4. *John Morpeth*. £6.  
Died 1563 according to Harleian MS. 604, folio 195b. This pension return of 1567 shows that he had been confused with a monk of Bardney, Lincs., of a similar name.
- \*5. *Stephen Byssater*. £6.  
Presumably *alias* London, ordained sub-deacon 6 June, 1528. Reg. Foxe.
- 6. *William Man*. £6.
- 7. *Edmund Alston*. £6.
- 8. *John Drynker*. £6.
- \*9. *Thomas Littleworth*. £6.
- 10. *Robert Goodman*. £6.
- 11. *Thomas Kendall*. £6.  
Transferred from Reigate Priory in 1536.  
A Thomas Kensell was Vicar of Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight, 1543; died 1558.
- 12. *Alyn Blande*. £6.

*Tandridge.*

Suppressed 1536.

*John Lyngfield* alias *Huntley*. £14.

(Prior from 1525, formerly Canon of S. Mary Overie.)

He was already holding the Rectory of Oxted, Surrey, and had a licence from the Crown (papal dispensations having been abolished by now) to accept this living and to hold it with the priory whose income was not adequate to meet its necessary expenses and hospitality. *L.P.*, VII, No. 761, Grant 19, 10 May, 1534. Instituted 26 July, 1534, on presentation of Katherine Burgh, widow.

The next rector paid his first fruits, 17 September, 1556.

Occurs Rector of Woodmansterne, Surrey (formerly a S. Mary Overie living) in Bishop Gardiner's visitation of 1541. Next name 1555.

John Huntley was Prebendary of Gloucester from 1541. (*L.P.*, XVI, p. 572) to ? 1556. [The succession of the early prebendaries of Gloucester is very confused.]

## FRIARS

### (1) *Dominicans of Guildford.*

For the reasons I have given in *Monks*, p. 239, it is far more difficult to follow their later careers than it is in the case of the pensioned religious.

Surrender 10 October, 1538. *L.P.*, XIII (2), No. 1580.

1. *William Cobden*, Prior.
2. *William Dale*.
3. *Robert Merton* or *Morton*.
4. *Philip Stafford*.
5. *John Hyom*.
6. *John Fort*.
7. *Thomas Hopkins*.

### (2) *Observant Franciscans of Sheen.*

Dispersed and distributed among the conventual houses in 1534; therefore there is no Surrender List. I have no information about them.

John Lawrence, Cromwell's spy and correspondent in 1532, is the only name I find. *L.P.*, V and VI, *passim*.

## APPENDIX ·

*Will of John Cordray*  
 . . . Egham county "of Sotherey"  
 dated :—21 November, 1541 [sic].

P.C.C. May 1541  
 A will not reg-  
 istered or proved

I bequeath my soul to Almighty God, my Maker and Redeemer and my body to be buried where it shall please God to appoint it. [Very torn.]

All my goods in the said town of Egham and all my debts I bequeath to William Godman and John Mylton, of Egham, husbandmen, to pay my debts and to give the overplus in charity to poor people.

In witness whereof I, the said John Cordray, have caused this my present will to be written.

Witnesses :—John Oskyn, Edmund Sawnders, John Haddon.

20 May, 1541, [sic] John Godman renounced executorship.

27 June, 1542, [sic] John Mylton, the other executor, also renounced.

*Will of Henry Manne, D.D.*  
*parson of the parish church of Sybsdon*  
*and Thurcaston, Leics.,*  
 dated :—18 October, 3 & 4 Philip & Mary [1556]

P.C.C.4 Wrastle

I bequeath to my cousin, Henry Manne, being in the Isle of Manne, in the custody of Richard Radcliffe, Receiver of the Revenues of the Peele there, £40, towards his bringing up in learning. [Abstract.]

To my cousin, Elizabeth Rogers, late of Chester, £6. 13. 4.

To Sir John Holford, my chaplain, 40s.

To my servant, Thomas Dobson, £6 13. 4.

To my servant, James Hopwood, £4.

To my chief servant in husbandry, Edward [space left blank], 10s.

To each of my maid servants, 10s.

To Sir William Chorleton, parson of Wytherley, my violet "ingreyned gowne" faced with double tawney sarcenet with a preaching hood appertaining to the same, and forgive him 28s. he owes me.

To my servant, Ralph Langley, £20.

To the high altar of Sybesdon Church, 40s.

To my tenants in Sybesdon parish 6s. 8d. each, and to my godchildren there, 12d. each.

To the repair of the parish church of St. Andrew Under-shaft, London, £4, on condition the church wardens suffer my corpse to be buried in that church and that they shall lay over the grave a marble stone to be engraved for memorial of my name and departure, if I die in the city of London, and I give to the poor of that parish £6. 13. 4.



To the House of Shene "yf it shalbe hereafter erected ageyne" all my books remaining in Manne and Sybesdon.

To my servant, Henry Sale, 20s., and to his wife, 10s.

To William Draper and my cousin, his wife, 40s.

To Thomas Dent and my cousin, his wife, 40s.

To William Manne, student in Oxford, 5 marks, and to Andrew Manne, his father, 40s.

To Michael Purfrey, Esq., half a dozen of my new silver spoons.

To Richard Whetill, the elder, £5, for the costs and charges I have put him to.

Residuary legatees :—my cousin, Henry Manne.

Executors :—Sir William Dewsennapp, parson of Drayton and Mr. William Bailey, of Coventry, draper, to the latter I give a scarlet gown and to the former my long gown faced with fitches and my tawney velvet doublet.

Witnesses :—Richard Whetill, Chrstr. Langton, William Heyward, grocer, Edward Ryley, parson of St. Andrew Undershaft, Margaret Kyrton, widow, John Yate, servant to Richard Whetill, and Edmond Bright, scrivener.

Proved :—1 February, 1556(-7), by the executors named in the will.

### *Notes to this Will.*

The institution books for the diocese of Lincoln at this period are defective and there seems no record of the testator's institution to Sibson rectory. Perhaps he obtained it in the same way as he obtained Thurcaston (*see above*).

William Chorlton was Rector of Witherley (Leics.), from 1552 and resigned 1556. This had also been a Sheen living. The executor, William Dewsennapp, was Rector of Fenny Drayton, Leics. (a former Sheen living), 1553, resigned 1568; succeeded the testator as Rector of Sibson, 1556, and died 1572.

Henry Man's wish for the restoration of Sheen Charterhouse was in course of fulfilment when his will was made. See Miss Thompson's *Carthusian Order in England*, Chapter VIII, for details. Note, however, only three of the original Sheen monks rejoined.

There is nothing in the will to suggest that Man had been married, but he may have been a widower. At any rate he would have had to shed his wife before being instituted to the Leicestershire living in Mary's reign.