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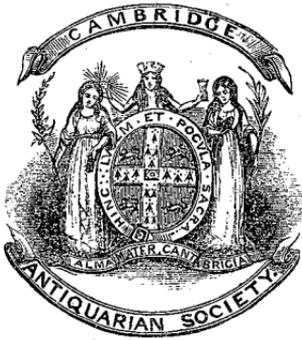
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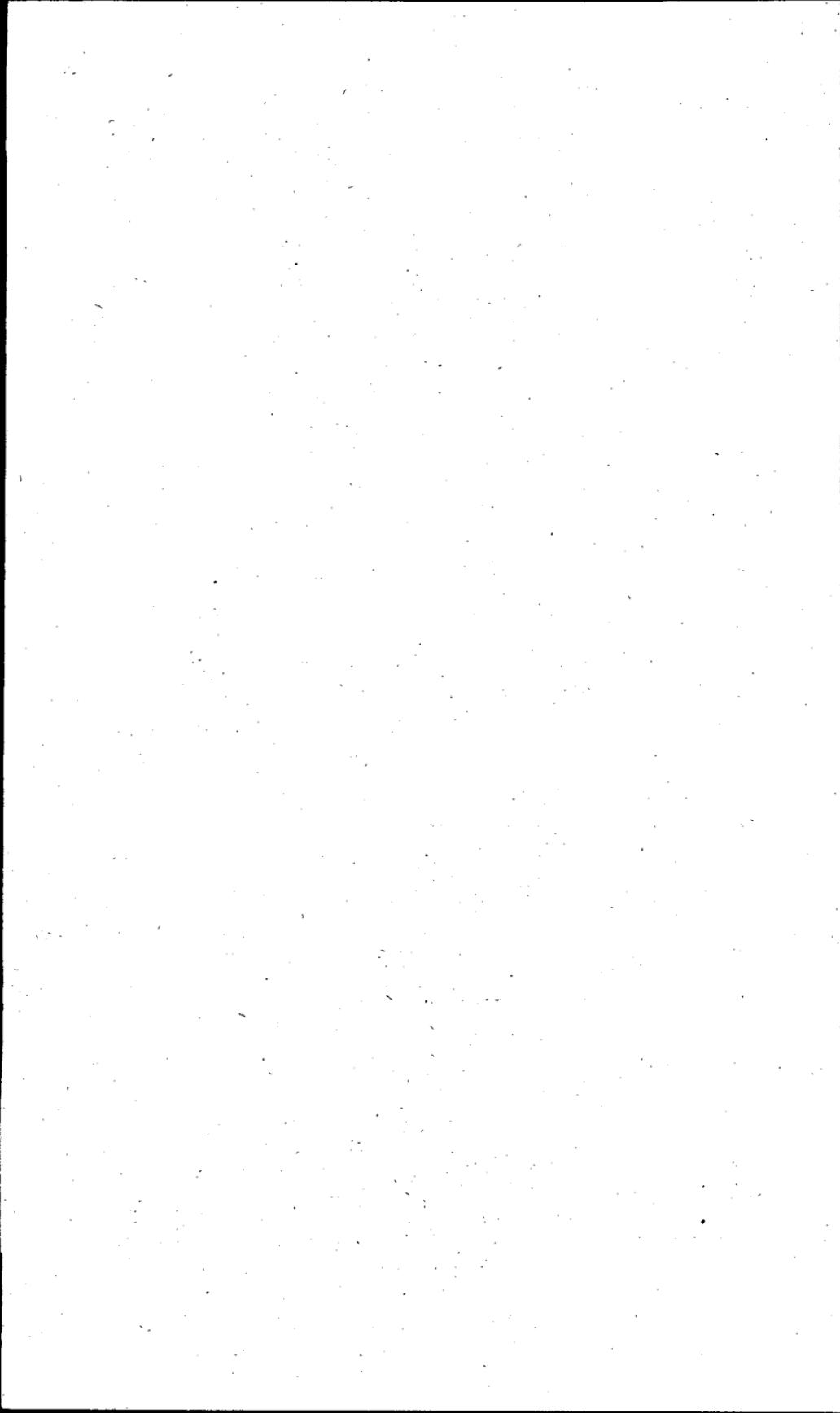
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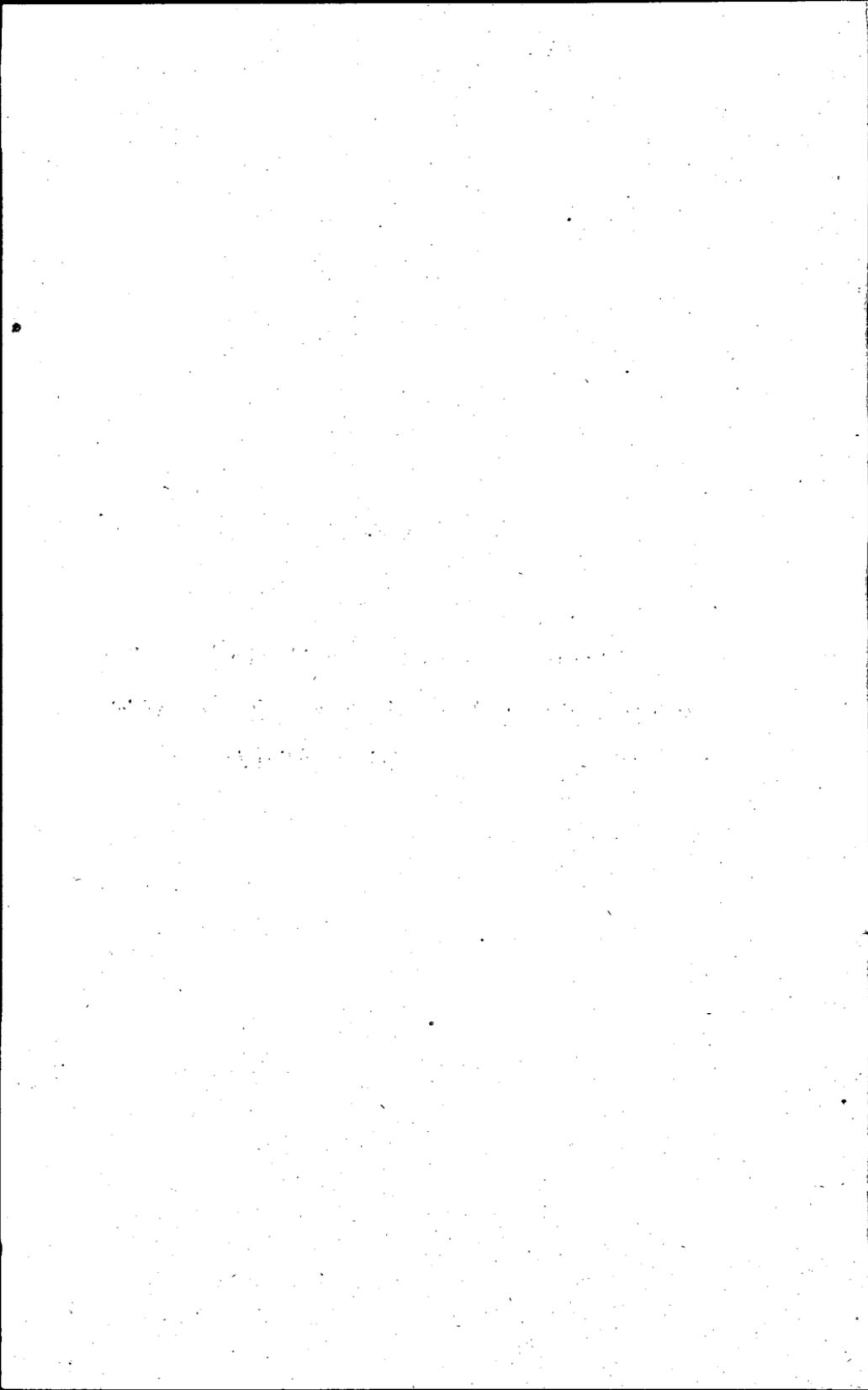
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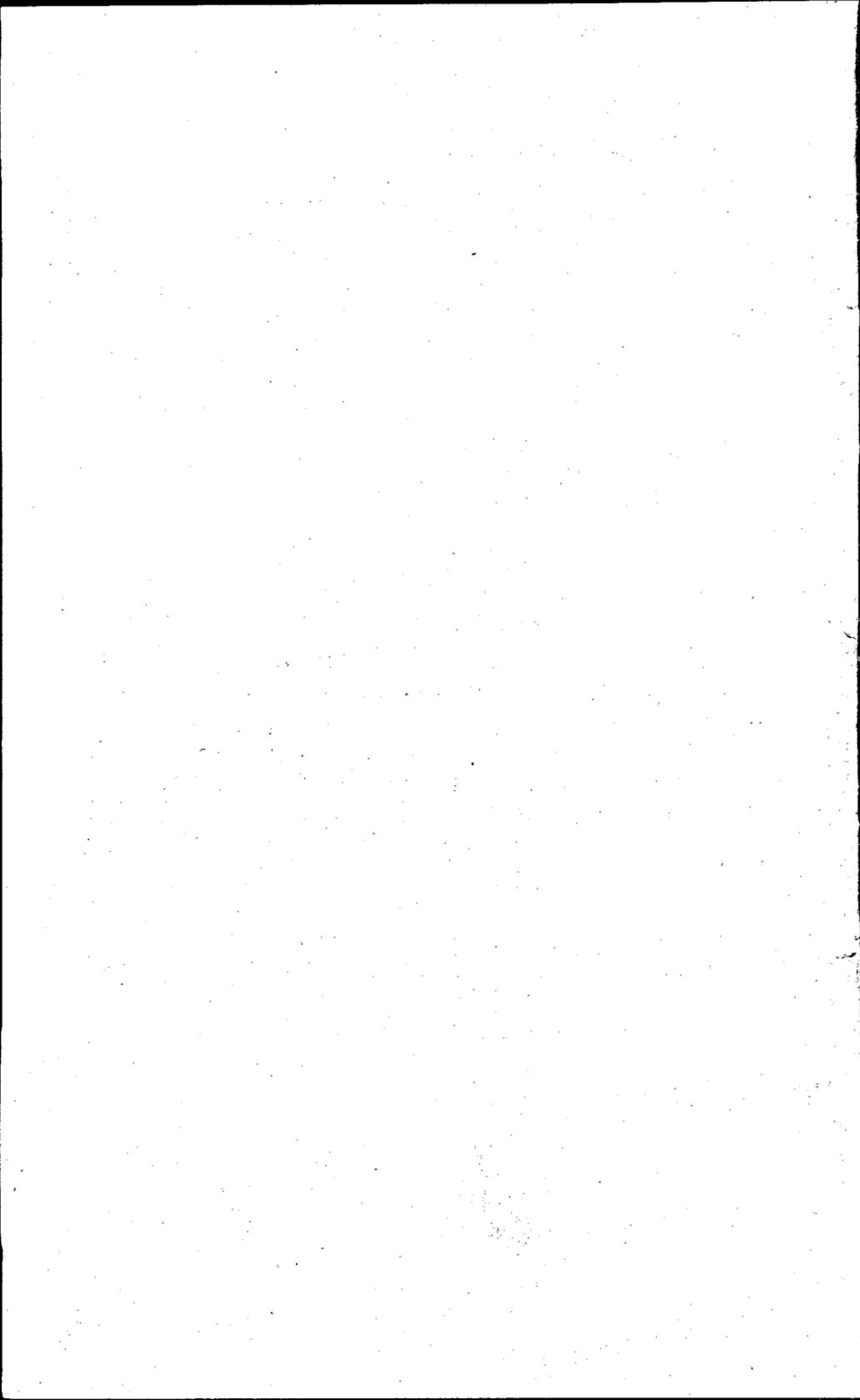
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ERRATUM.

In the Catalogue of Tradesmen's Tokens at page 21, the date of No. 49, John Newton's token, ought to be 1652, not 1653.

Also may be added at page 21 a second type of the token (No. 54) issued by Thomas Powell, which bears the date of 1667, but is in other respects similar to No. 54.



XXXII. MATERIALS FOR A LIFE OF DR RICHARD
SIBBES. Communicated by the Rev. J. E. B.
MAYOR, M.A.

[Read December 1, 1856.]

WHEN we consider the beauty of Sibbes' language, and the gentleness of his temper, in both which respects he almost deserves the name of the Puritan Leighton¹, we cannot but wonder at the general neglect which has obscured his memory. Fuller indeed (*Worthies, in Suffolk*, vol. iii. p. 185, 8vo ed.) commemorates his great services to St Catharine's Hall, of which he was master, and bears contemporary witness to his eminence in "that grace, which is most worth, yet cost the least to keep it, viz. Christian humility." Another contemporary account, somewhat longer than Fuller's, is contained in Samuel Clark's *Lives of Thirty-Two English Divines* (pp. 143—145, at the end of his *General Martyrologie*, London, 1677, fol.) where a portrait is given. Sibbes' name does not appear either in the *Biographia Britannica* or in the *General Dictionary* of Birch and Bernard. Chalmers has a meagre notice taken from Fuller and Granger. Benjamin Brook (*Lives of the Puritans*, Lond. 1813, vol. ii. pp. 416—420) has brought together the substance of all previous accounts, and has added to them some particulars from Prynne and other writers. Lastly the editor of the new edition of *The Bruised Reed* (Pickering, 1838) has reprinted from Parr's *Life of Ussher*² some letters relating to Sibbes' nomination to the provostship of Trinity College, Dublin, and has given a pretty complete list of his works.

In offering my scanty gleanings to the Antiquarian Society I wish rather to stimulate than to satisfy curiosity.

¹ I see that Mr Russell in his *Memorials of Fuller* has anticipated this comparison.

² See the new edition of Ussher, Vol. xv. 361—375; xvi. 440. That Sibbes' correspondence with Ussher did not begin and end with the offer of preferment, may be seen *ibid.* xvi. pp. 395; 522.

Mr Cooper (*Annals of Cambridge*, vol. iii. p. 229 n.) has printed a requisition from Trinity parish (dated Nov. 22, 1630) to Sibbes, in which he is requested to become lecturer in that church. In Baker's *History of St John's* he is commemorated as the donor of many theological books to the library of that college. Among his friends was John Bartlet (Calamy's *Account*, 2nd ed. p. 238); among the witnesses to his power as a preacher, Thomas Walker (*ibid.*, p. 650) and John Cotton (Cotton Mather's *Life of Cotton*, p. 8); he offered a fellowship to John Norton (Mather's *Life of Norton*, pp. 5, 6), and in conjunction with John Davenport edited some of Preston's works (Mather's *Life of Davenport*, p. 4). Hacket (*Life of Williams*, part i. § 106, p. 95) represents him as so winning a peacemaker that his college friend Williams would hand over to him the most desperate cases of refractory Puritanism. "Another Rank for whose sake the Lord Keeper suffer'd, were scarce an handful, not above three or four in all the wide Bishoprick of *Lincoln*, who did not oppose, but by ill education seldom used the appointed Ceremonies. Of whom when he was certified by his Commissaries and Officials, he sent for them, and confer'd with them with much Meekness; sometime remitted them to argue with his Chaplain. If all this stirred them not, he commended them to his Old Collegiate Dr *Sibbs*, or Dr *Gouch*: Who knew the scruples of these mens Hearts, and how to bring them about, the best of any about the City of *London*."

The *Life of Sibbes* by Zachary Catlin¹ is here printed from Baker's MSS. xxxviii. 441—446. An extract from Garrard's letter to Strafford (Sept. 1, 1635, Vol. i. p. 462), which comes next in Baker, adds nothing to the account of the disputed election to the Mastership of St Catharine's Hall, which I printed from Baker at the end of Matth. Robinson's *Life*, pp. 132—146. The Harl. MS. 6037, fol. 17, for a copy of which I am indebted to the Rev. C. Hardwick, is only an extract from the life in Clark. It will be seen that Catlin's Memoir contains many particulars, more especially of Sibbes' early life, hitherto unpublished.

¹ Query, whether the Mr Catlin mentioned by John Rous (*Diary*, Camd. Soc. 1856, pp. 68, 69) as preaching at Bury on Shrove Tuesday 1632?

Dr. Sibbs his Life, by Zach: Catlin.

At the Request of a noble Friend, Sr. W. Spring¹, I have here willingly contributed to the happy Memory of that worthy Man of God Dr. Sibbs a few such Flowers, as I could collect, either from the certain Relation of those that knew his first education, or from mine own observation of him, at that distance, whereat we lived. And if any thing here recorded, may seem convenient for his purpose, who is (as I am informed) about to publish the Plan of some Worthys lately deceased², I shall think my labour well bestow'd. For I am not of that Philosopher's mind, who lighting upon a Book newly put forth, entituled, The encomium of Hercules, cast it away, saying, et quis Lacedæmoniorum eum vituperavit? accounting it a useless work, to prayse him, whom noe Man did, or could find fault withall. I rather judge it a commendable thing, to perpetuate and keep fresh the Memory of such worthy Men, whose example may be of use, for Imitation, in this declining, and degenerate Age. But I come to the matter.

This Richard, the eldest Son of Paul Sibbs, and Johan, was born at Tastock in Suffolk, 4 Miles from Bury, Anno Dni. 1577; from whence his Parents soon removed, to a Towne adjoyning, called, Thurston, where they lived in honest Repute, brought³ up, and marry'd divers children, purchased some Houses and Lands, and there they both deceased. His Father was by his Trade, a Whelewright, a skilfull and painfull workman, and a good sound hearted Christian. This Richard he brought up in Learning, at the Grammer Schoole, though yet unwillingly, in regard of the charge, had not the youth's strong Inclination to his Book, and well profiting therein, with some Importunity of Friends prevailed

¹ [See Prynne's *Canterb. Doome*, p. 376. J. E. B. M.]

² Mr Clark of London.

³ [brough, MS.]

so far, as to continue him at Schole, till he was fit for Cambridge. Concerning his love to his Booke, and his Industry in Study, I cannot omit the Testimony of M^r. Thomas Clark, High Constable, who was much of the same Age, and went to Schole, together with him, at the same time, with one M^r. Rich. Brigs (afterward, Head Master of the Free Schole at Norwich) then teaching at Pakenham Church. He hath often told me, that when the Boys were dismiss^t from Schole, at the usuall hours of eleaven, and 5, or 6, and the rest would fall to their Pastime, and sometimes to playing the Waggs with him, being humble and meanly appareled for the most part in Leather, It was this Youth's constant course, as soon as he could rid himself of their unpleasing Company, to take out of his Pocket or Sachell, one Book or other, and so to goe Studying and meditating, till he came to his Father's House; w^{ch} was near a Mile of, and so as he went to Schole again. This was his order also, when his Father sent him to the Free Schole at Bury, 3, or 4 Miles of, every day. Whereby the said M^r. Clark did then conceive, that he would in time prove an excellent and able Man, who of a child was of such a manly Stryde, and indefatigable Industry in his Study. His Father at length grew weary of his expences for Books and Learning, took him from Schole, bought him an Axe and some other tooles, and set him to his own Trade, to the great discontent of the youth, whose genius wholly carried him another way. Whereupon, M^r. *Gwinn* then Minister of Thurston, and M^r. Rushbrook an Attorney there, knowing the disposition and fitness of the Lad, sent him, without his Father's consent, to some of the Fellows of S^t. John's Colledge, of their Acquaintance, with their Letters of Recommendation, where upon examination he was so well approved of, that he was presently entertain'd as a Subsizar, shortly after chosen Scholar of the House, and at length¹ came to be Fellow of that House, and one of the Taskers of the University²; his Father being hardly brought to allow him 20 Nobles a year, toward his Maintenance in Cambridge, to w^{ch} some good friends in the Country, M^r. *Graves*;

¹ [April 3, 1601. J. E. B. M.]

² [He was taxor in 1608. J. E. B. M.]

Mr. Knewstub¹, and some others, made some addition, for a time, as need required.

Anno Dni. 1608, I came to be Minister of Thurston, and he was then a Fellow of the College, and a Preacher of good note in Cambr., and was soon grown well acquainted, for whensoever he came down into the Country, to visit his Mother and Brethren (his Father being deceased) he would never faile to preach with me, on the Lords Day, and for the most part, twice, telling me, that it was a worke of Charity, to help a constant and painfull Preacher, for so he was pleas'd to conceive of me. And if there were a Communion appointed at any time, he would be sure not to withdraw himself after Sermon, but receiving the Bread and Wine at my hands, he would always assist me in the distribution of the Cup to the Congregation.

As to his kindness to his Friends, and neglect of the world, it was very remarkable, for this I can testify of my owne knowledge, that purchasing of Mr. Tho. Clarke, and others in our Town, a Messuage and Lands, at severall times, to the value of fifty pounds per ann: he payd the Fines to the Lords, but never took one Peny of the Rents or profits of them, but left the benefit wholly to his Mother, and his two Brothers, as long as he lived. So much did this Heavenly-minded Man of God slight the present world (w^{ch} the most Men are so loth to part withall, when they dye) that he freely and (undesired)² undesired, parted with it, whilst he liv'd, requiring nothing of them, but only to be liberall to the poore. Nay over and besides, if any faithfull honest man came down from Cambridge or London, where he liv'd, by whome he might conveniently send, he seldome or never fayled to send his Mother a Piece of Gold, for the most part, a ten shillings Piece, but 5^s. was the least, and this he continued so long, as his

¹ [See Brook's *Puritans*, Vol. II. p. 308 seq., Clark's *Lives of Thirty-Two English Divines*, ed. 1677, p. 133, Geoffrey Whitney's *Emblems*, p. 223, Bancroft's *Dangerous Positions*, pp. 5, 57 (Bk. 2. c. 10), 44 (Bk. 3. c. 2), 120, 122, 143, Sutcliffe's *Answer to Throckmorton*, p. 47, Prynne's *Canterb. Doome*, p. 376. J. E. B. M.]

² [Baker seems at first to have written *undeservedly*, then to have corrected it into *undesired*, and lastly to have written the word again, enclosing his first attempt in brackets. J. E. B. M.]

Mother liv'd. And would she have been perswaded to exchange her Country Life for the City, he often told me, that he would willingly have maintained her there, in good View and Fashion, like his Mother, but she had no minde to alter her accustomed Course of Life, in her old daies, contenting her self with her own Means, and that Addition, w^{ch} her Son made thereunto.

And for his speciall kindness to my self, in particular, I cannot omit, that being trusted [*with*]¹ by Personages of Quality, with divers summs of money, for pious and charitable uses, he was pleased, among many others, not to forget me. At one time he sent me down three twenty shillings Pieces of Gold inclosed in a Letter: and at two other times, to² deliver me, with his own hand, two twenty shilling Pieces more: and so far was this humble Saint from Pharisaicall ostentation, and vain glory, and from taking the Honour of these good works to himself, that he plainly told me, that those gratuities were not of his own cost, but being put in Trust, as left to his own Discretion, in the Distribution, he lookt upon me, as one, that tooke great pains in my Ministry, and in teaching Scholers, and at that time labouring under the Burden of a great charge of children, and he thought me a fit object of this intended Charity. And from myself, his Love descended down to my Son, for my sake (before he had ever seen him, being then at the Grammer Schole at Bury) being then chosen of Katherin Hall, promised me a Scholarship there, of five pounds a year, and to provide for him a Tutor and a Chamber. And such was his constancy of Spirit, and his Reality, that whatsoever Promise he made me, he would be sure, both to remember it, and to make it good, as freely as he first made it, that was unaskt and undesired: and for these manifold kindnesses, all that he desired at my hands, was no more but this, that I would be carefull of the Soules of my People, and in speciall of his Mother, his Brothers, and his Sisters, and would give them good counsell, in their disposing themselves in Marriage, or upon any other occasion, as I saw, they stood in need. And this one thing, I may not pass over, concerning myself, that in his last Will and Testament, he gave me a legacy of 40 sh. with the Title of his Loving Friend,

¹ [Underlined for omission.]

² [*Sic.*]

w^{ch} I the rather mention, because I had not the least thought, to have been in that sort remembred by him, at his Death, being at no less distance from him, then of three score Miles. In a word, such was the Loveliness of this same servant of God, such his Learning, Parts, Piety, Prudence, Humility, Sincerity, Love and meekness of Spirit (whereof every one was a Lodestone to attract unto, and fasten my Spirit, close to his) that (I profess ingenuously) no man, that ever I was acquainted with all, got so far into my heart, or was so close therein: So that many times I could not part from him, with dry eyes. But who am I? or what is it to be lov'd of me, especially for him, that had so many and so great Friends, as he had? yet even to me, the great God is pleas'd to say, My son give me thy Heart, and the poore and contrite Heart, I know, he will not despise, and this Heart of mine, as small as it is, yet is too great, to close with a proud, profane, worldly, malitious heart, though it be in a Prince. But this vertue and grace, are the Image of God himself, and when they are discovered by wisdomes children, they command the Heart, and are truly lovely and venerable, whereas carnall, vitious, and unmortify'd Affections (whereof this Man of God, was as free, as any Man, I know living) they do render Man, (what ever he be) If not hatefull and contemptible, yet at least less lovely and honorable. But my love to this good Man hath transported me beyond my purpose, w^{ch} was to speak of some things, less visible to others, especially concerning his first education: For when he came to the University and City, then his Life, and Actions were upon a publick Theatre, and his own Works, without a Trumpet, would prayse him in the Gates. As for his kindness to his kindred, and to my self, I know none, that took more notice of them, then my self, and therefore I could not hide them from the world (upon this occasion) without some kind of Sacriledge. [His Death July 5th 1635.]

But from his Life, I pass to his Death, and the disposing of his worldly¹ estate, wherein are some things very remarkable, and coming to my certain knowledge and observation, I neither will, nor doe conceale them. His Death was some what so-dain; For having preach't at Grey's Inne, upon the Lords

¹ [wordly, MS.]

Day, on that sweet Text, Joh. xiv, 1, 2, Let not your Hearts be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's House are many Mansions; As if he had presag'd his own Death, he fell sick that very night, and dyed on the Tuesday following, being the 5th of July A.D. 1635. *Ætatis suæ* 58. His Physitian, that knew his body, being then out of the City; yet having his senses, and some Respite of time, as he set his Soule, so he set his House in order, revising his former Will, and altering, what he thought fit to be altered. And first he bequeathed, and committed his Soule, into the hands of his Gracious Saviour, who redeemed it, with his most precious Blood, and appeared then in Heaven, to receive it. He gave him humble thanks, that he had vouchsafed him, to be born, and to live, in the best times of the Gospell, and to have his Interest in the comfort of it, as also that he had vouchsafed him the Honor of being a Publisher of it, with some measure of Faithfulness (note this, you that contemn the office of the Ministry). His Body he ordered to be buried, at the pleasure of his executors. And for his worldly estate, wherewith God had blessed him, he thus disposed of it. His House and Lands at Thurston, to the value of 50 lib. a year, or more, he gave to his youngest and only Brother then living, Thomas Sibs, for the terme of his naturall Life, and the Remainder to John Sibs, the son of John, his second Brother deceased: and between these two, he devided all his personall estate, w^{ch} clearly amounted to 600 lib. (his *large Legacies*¹, and funeral charges being discharged and satisfy'd) making them, the executors of his Will and Test^t. To the children of his three sisters deceased he gave 110 lib. To other poore Kindred 13 lib. To his faithfull Servant, James Joyner, 10 lib. To other five in London, 5 lib. To the poore of the Parish of Trinity and St. Andrew's in Cambridge, 5 lib. To the poore of the Parish of Thurston, and of the Parish, where he should be bury'd, 2 lib. To the Steward of Gray's Inn, 3 lib. To the 3 chief Butlers, 3 lib. To y^e Servants, 1 lib. To the chief Cooke, a Ring of 10 sh. To his under Servants, 1 lib. To his dear and worthy Friend Mr. Jo. Pym², a Ring of 2 lib. To

¹ *Legacies* given out, 238 lib. 10 sh.

² [Besides the common sources for Pym's life, consult the *Charisteria* and *Epist. Eucharist.* of Degory Whear, his tutor and acquaintance of many

Sr. Rob^t. Brook of Langley, his Lady, and Brother, 3 Rings of 6 lib. To Mr. Stephens¹ a Ring of 2 lib. To Mr. Capell², Preacher, 1 lib. To his loving Friend Mr. Catlin, Preacher of Thurston, 2 lib. To Mr. Almond of Cambr. for his Son (the Doctors Godson), 5 lib. To his Godson Rich^d. Clark, 2 lib. To Mr. Gouge³ of London, whome he requested to preach at his Funeral, 1 lib.⁴ To Sr. Nath. Rich;⁵ to Sr. Nath. Bernardiston⁶, and to Sr. Wm. Spring, Supervisors of his Will, 3 Rings of 3 lib. To M^{rs}. Mary Moore, a Ring of 2 lib. To Mr. Jo. Godbold of Gray's Inn Esq^e., one of the executors of his Will, he left a piece of Plate he had, upheld at 10 lib. To Katherin-Hall in Cambr, for the setting of a Scholarship of 4 lib. per an. for ever, 100 lib. All which Legacies amount to y^e total summe of 288 lib. 10 sh.

During the time that he was M^r. of Kath-Hall, He was [the Meane Mover] by his great Friends, of buying in the Inne, adjoynge to the Colledge, called, The Bull, and so of enlarging the Buildings of the Colledge, to the value of 500 lib. as I am informed: But I

years' standing. *Charist.* Dedn. and pp. 101, 102; *Epist. Eucharist.* Nos. 21—28. Pym was a friend and connexion of Brownrigg's. *B's Life*, pp. 190, 191. J. E. B. M.]

¹ [Dr Stephens, editor of *Statius*, Master of Bury? *Life of Isaac Milles*, 1721, pp. 8—12, 74. J. E. B. M.]

² [Richard Capel, Wood's *Athenæ*, ed. Bliss, iii. 421, Clark's *Lives* (as above), p. 303 seq.]

³ [Dr Wm. Gouge. See his life in Clark (as above), p. 234 seq., Harwood's *Alumni Etonenses*, p. 202, Wm. Lilly's *Life*, ed. 1774, p. 29, Prynne's *Canterb. Doome*, p. 362, *Life of Row* in Clark's *Lives of Eminent Persons*, (1683), pt. ii. p. 106, Brook's *Lives of the Puritans*, iii. 165 seq. J. E. B. M.]

⁴ [From a tract bound in the volume marked R. 10. 16 in the University Library (p. 525) it appears that 10s. was commonly charged to the poor, and 20s. to the rich, for a funeral sermon. The tract contains the answer of George Finch (a Cambridge man, brother to Lord Finch) to the articles against him A.D. 1641. J. E. B. M.]

⁵ [See Birch's *James I.* Vol. ii. p. 55, and Whear's *Charisteria*, p. 127. J. E. B. M.]

⁶ [See his life in Clark's *Lives of Eminent Persons* (1683), pt. ii. p. 105 seq. Cf. *ibid.* pp. 161, 163, 169, 172, 175, Calamy's *Account*, pp. 636, 637, *Contin.* p. 786. J. E. B. M.]

leave this to¹ a *melius Inquirendum*. O what a pious and charitable Disposition do these things discover, in this precious Saint, to be had in Everlasting Remembrance.

I shall conclude with an Observation, which I made of the time, when this Holy Man, and some other Godly and pretious Divines, were taken out of the World, by the wise Providence of God. 'Tis that of the Prophet Is: 57, 1. That Righteous and Mercifull Men are taken away, from the Evill to come. They enter into Peace, and Rest in their Graves, as in Beds of Sleep. Thus the Lord said, concerning good Josia, I will gather thee to the Fathers, and thou shall go to thy grave in Peace, and thine eyes shall not see the Evill, w^{ch} I will bring upon this place. In like manner, the Lord took away, about the same time, with this Rev^d Man (M^r. Ward) that their eyes might not see that great Evil, then ready to break out, upon these 3 Kingdoms. To instance in some few, D^r. Sibs died July 5, 1635; M^r. Sam. Ward², that Worthy Preacher of Ipswich, was censured in the High Commission, and silenced in October following the same year 1635, and died, as I remember in 1638. [The Irish Rebellion, the slaughter of 100,000 Protestants in a year, the long, fatall war, between the King and Parl^t.]

M^r. Rogers³ also, the zealous and powerfull Preacher of Dedham in Essex, died Octob: 15: 1636. And I may not forget my own Father also, M^r. Robert Catlin⁴, an aged and a faithfull Minister in Rutlandshire, about four score years' old

¹ The Black Bull was given by Will to Cath. Hall, by Dr Gostlin, for the founding of six Scholars, &c.

² [See Brook's *Lives of the Puritans*, Vol. II. p. 452 seq., with the authors there cited; also Heylin's *Cyprianus Angl.* p. 120 seq., Prynne's *Canterb. Doome*, pp. 157, 159, 361, 375, Birch's *James I.* Vol. II. pp. 226, 228, 232, Clark's *Lives of Eminent Persons* (1683), pt. II. pp. 154, 159, D'Ewes' *Autobiography*, Vol. I. p. 249, Calamy's *Account*, p. 636. J. E. B. M.]

³ [See his life in Brook's *Lives of the Puritans*, Vol. II. p. 421: add Bastwick's *Utter Routing*, p. 474, Prynne's *Canterb. Doome*, pp. 363, 373, Calamy's *Account*, p. 606, Clark's *Lives of Eminent Persons* (1683), p. 64 (Life of Blackerby), Mather's *Life of T. Hooker*, p. 8, Mather's *Life of John Cotton*, pp. 24, 25. J. E. B. M.]

⁴ [This account has been printed in Brook's *Lives of the Puritans*, Vol. II. pp. 428, 429. J. E. B. M.]

died July 24: 1637: being unable any longer to serve his great Pastorall Cure. He came over to Barham, near Ipswich, to dye amongst his children (living) in Suffolk: who lying on his sick Bed, heard M^r. Fenton, a Minister relating the heavy censure, that was then newly passed upon the Bp of Lincoln, and Dean of Westminster, D^r. Williams, reputed at that time a very good Man, whome my Father knew to be a great Friend to the good Ministers in the Diocese, and a great enemy to the setting the Tables Altarwise, and to the Altar worship, w^{ch} then began to be much advocated, and one that had done many munificent works of charity, and had given yearly a great summe to the Relief of the Lady Elizabeth. The Bishop, by the malice of Arch. Bp Laud and others his enemies, was suspended in the High Commission ab officio or Beneficio, censured in the Star-Chamber, fined 10,000 lib. and cast into the Tower of London about July 15, 1637: from whence he was fetched out the beginning of this Parl^t. Nov. 30, 1641, with great Applause. My Father, I say, hearing of this Bp's censure (wherein my Brother Wm. Catlin, a Minister was deeply concerned, as being a witness for the Bishop), He broke out into these words, before the two Ministers, and others in the Chamber. Alas poore England, thou hast now seen thy best dayes; I that am 4 score years old, and I have in all my time seen no Alteration in Religion, nor any foreign enemy setting foot in England, nor any Civil wars, amongst our selves, do now forsee evill daies a coming. But I shall go to the Grave in Peace. Blessed be that God, whom I have served, who hath accepted my weak service, and will be mine exceeding great Reward. And within a few houres, he departed this Life, and lies buried in the Chancell of the Parish Church at Barham, Doctor Young of Stoo Market, preaching at his Funerall: and as he blessed God (with D^r. Sibs) that he had lived in the best times of the Gospell, so there was no great difference, in the time of their death, and shortly after their death, were the Sparks of Discontent kindled between y^e Scots and us, w^{ch} were the sad Prælua, or beginnings of this late Universal Conflagration. The King went against the Scots, as far as York, in March 1638: and the Scots were proclaimed Traytors, in the Churches of England; in April following,

and tho' this Proclamation was revoked, yet who knows not, what Tragical events have followed, in all the 3 Kingdoms, to this very day.

The Lord in mercy vouchsafe, to still the Raging of the waters, and the Madness of (that many headed Monster) the People, that once more his faithfull Servants in these three Nations, may enjoy a blessed calm, That there may yet once again, be Peace and truth in our daies. Lord save us, or we perish.

Compiled and attested, by Zachary Catlin, Minister of
Thurston, Nov. 1. 1652: Anno ætatis 69: currente.

[There is somewhat omitted, towards the conclusion, being the Author's observations or Reflections: but the Historicall part is entire.]

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