

ART. X.—*The Chantries of Cumberland and Westmorland. Part II.* By R. L. STOREY, M.A., Ph.D.

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THE certificates of all the chantries reported to the commissioners of Henry VIII and Edward VI in Westmorland are printed in the following pages; so that this study should be complete, the certificates previously printed in 1908¹ are given again. Most of the text is taken from the roll of certificates of chantries in Cumberland and Westmorland made in 1546,² with only two certificates from the less detailed report of the following year³ because it gives the only surveys of these foundations. There also exists a rental of the king's receiver of chantry lands in Westmorland in 1547⁴ and where it differs significantly from the 1546 certificates such discrepancies are shown in footnotes.

ABBREVIATIONS IN THE NOTES.

The same abbreviations are employed as in the first part of this article, where the certificates for Cumberland are printed.⁵ One addition may be made to this list:

Kendale — *Records relating to the Barony of Kendale*, by William Farrer, ed. J. F. Curwen (Record Series, nos. IV, V and VI).

All the unpublished material cited is preserved in the Public Record Office. The grants of pensions are to be found in Exchequer, Various Accounts, box 76, no. 5.

¹ CW2 viii 124-135.

² Rentals and Surveys, roll no. 846.

³ Exchequer, Augmentation Office, Certificates of Colleges and Chantries, no. 11.

⁴ Rentals and Surveys, portfolio 29, no. 32.

⁵ CW2 lx 68-92.

THE SURVEY OF 1546 (*continued*).[m. 4] The Countie of Westmerlonde
BROUGH

Survice of a scole master teching gramer within the towne of Burgh under Stanesmore as appereth by a compocicion, Sir John Bek nowe master there.

Furst one mansion with a garthe in the towne of Burghe under Stanesmore in tenor of Sur John Bek by yere iiij s.

Item Thomas Rolbynson holdeth one burgage with lond therto apperteyning, paing for thesame at Martenmes and Whitsondaie xj s.

Item one burgage with appurtenance there in tenor of William Staynebanke, and payeth yerlie at thesaid termes v s.

Item one burgage with appurtenance there in tenor of Gabriell Wilking, paing therfor yerlie at thesaid termes v s.

Item one burgage with appurtenance there in tenor of William Freike, and paeth yerlie at theforsaid termes ij s.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance in Overburghe in tenor of Thomas Fisher, paing yerlie at thesaid termes x s.

Item one parcell of newe improwmente upon Stanesmore called Newe Close upon Withflake in tenor of John Weighteman and William his sone, and payeth yerlie xij s. iiij d.

Item one cotage with appurtenance in Overburghe in tenor of Thomas Byrkett, paing yerlie therfor iiij s.

Item one parcell of thesaid improwmente upon Withflaske in tenor of James Nicholson and Thomas Adeson etc. xij s. iiij d.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance lying in Murton in tenor of Cuthberte Henrison, paing at thesaid termes xij s. iiij d.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance in Yanwethe in tenor of Nicoles Armorer, paing yerlie therfor xij s.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance in Mikill Striklond in tenor of Thomas Fawlofelde, paing by yere vij s.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance in Bampton Cumdall in tenor of Hewe Henrison, paing therfor yerlie vj s. viij d.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance in Mikill Ashebye in tenor of William Rakstrawe, paing therfor yerlie v s.

Item a burgage in Bernardcastell in the strete called Newgate with certayn londes and medowe in the felde therto belonging in tenor of Ambrose Midleton, paing yerly xvij s.

Item one tenemente with appurtenance in Westlaton within the countie of Yorke in tenor of John Laton, paing yerly xxj s. viij d.

[Total] vij li. xj s. iiij d.

Memorandum ther is a chapell in Burghe with a littell garthe called Gyppgarthe, whiche chapell is covered with lede conteining by estimacion . . . [*sic*] foders of lede, and thesaid chapell and garthe is worthe to be letten iij s. iiij d. by yere.

Jowels, plate, ornamentes, gooddes and cattalles pertaining to the said fre scole of Burgh.

Furst one chailes parcell gylte weying vj ounces at iij s. viij d. le ounce (xxij s.), two vestementes (iiij s.), two corporax with cases (viiij d.), iiij alterclothes (xx d.), ij candelstikes of bras (xij d.), one pax and ij crewettes of tyn (iij d.), two messe bookes (xx d.), vj bookes of the Byble called Glosa Ordinaria (xiiij s. iiij d.), thole Byble in Latten (xx d.), ix other bookes, as Ortus Vocabulorum and Catholicon (xx d.), one chiste (xij d.), one chare (vi d.), one metetable (iiij d.), one bynche, a fyyme and ij tristes (vj d.), a rakand (iiij d.) and ij bedstokes (vj d.).

[A chantry was founded in Brough in about the middle of the thirteenth century by Sir Thomas Musgrave. This chantry was in the parish church and had an endowment in lands (*N. & B. I*, p. 571). When a chaplain was admitted in 1300, it was said that the chantry had been vacant for a long time (*Reg. Halton I*, p. 129), and it seems that it soon afterwards ceased to exist.

In 1506, John Brunskill founded a chantry in a chapel built on land provided by Thomas Blenkinsop. There were originally two priests, one teaching grammar, the other song. In 1535, John Beke was the grammarian, with an income of £7. 19s. 6d., while John Grastoke, who taught song, had possession of tenements worth 21s. *p.a.* and of the chapel of St. Mary, valued at 79s. *p.a.* His office is said to have been suppressed at the Dissolution of the Monasteries, but Beke remained until 1547, when the school was described as "the fregrammer schole . . . of the foundacion of John Brounscall' to kepe a free grammer schole and to saye devyne service there and also to teache scholers to wryte, which is observed accordinglie."

William Warde and Richard Venables bought the lands in the new close in 1548, and Venables the master's house in 1549 (*CPR. 1548-1549*, pp. 47 & 327), but it appears that Beke was able to retain his endowments and to continue his school (*N. & B. I*, pp. 573-574). The chapel was demolished: Henry, Lord Wharnton, paid £37. 3s. 4d. for the lead, wood and stone. The lead, eight foders at £4. 6s. 8d. the fother, produced £34. 14s. 4d. of this total (Rentals and Surveys, Portfolio 29, no. 32).]

APPLEBY

Londes and tenementes pertaining to fynding of a scole-master keeping a fre gramerscole in the toune of Appylbie, Sur Leonard Langhorne master of thesame scole.

Furst one burgage in Appylbie in tenor of Swithin Milner set betwexte a burgage of Alexander Appilbie of the northe and one burgage of the gramerscole of the southe, paing therfor yerlie at Martynmes and Whitsondaie v s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Thomas Maison set betwext thesaid burgage othe scole of northe and one burgage of Philyp Daker of the este, paing therfor yerlie at thesaid termes iij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Hewe Scot set betwexte the burgage of Philip Daker othe northe and one burgage of the erle of Cumbrelonde othe este, paing therfor iij s. iiij d.

Item one burgage in tenor of Roland Smythe set betwexte one burgage of Thomas Clyfforde othe northe and one burgage of therle of Cumbrelonde othe este ij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of William Pelter set betwext a burgage of therle of Cumbrelond of the northe and of the said scole of theste, and payeth yerlie therfor ij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Margret Dawson⁶ betwext thesaid scole of the northe and one burgage of thesame of theste, and payeth therfor yerlie ij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Miles Hertley set betwext the scole of the northe and John Burrell of theste, paing therfor xij d.

Item one burgage in tenor of Richerd Gyll⁷ set betwexte the burgage of John Burrell othe northe and of the scole othe este iij s. iiij d.

Item j burgage in tenor of William More betwexte a burgage othe scole of northe and j burgage of John Borrowell othe este iij s.

Item fyve burgages together called the Plashehill in tenor of Edward Dycson⁸ set betwexte a burgage of John Borrell of the northe and the Castellparke etc. v s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Percivall Mylner betwexte the Castellparke othe southe and a lane of northe etc. vj d.

Item one burgage in tenor of Purceley wif⁹ betwexte Thomas Sandforthe othe southe and one burgage of the scole othe north ij s. x d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Roberte Morlyn¹⁰ betwexte the scole of southe and Hewe Machell othe este paing yerlie iij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Ranold Hertley betwexte j burgage of therle of Cumbrelond of the southe and the scole othe northe viij d.

⁶ Isabel Lowson in 1547.

⁷ Richard Gybbe.

⁸ Edward Jakson.

⁹ Anthony Pulley.

¹⁰ Rolland Moore.

Item one burgage in tenor of Roberte Moreton¹¹ betwexte j burgage of the scole bothe of the northe and southe, paing yerlie therfor vj d.

[m. 4d.] Item one burgage in tenor of Richerd Sowrebie betwexte a burgage of the scole of the southe and on[e] other othe northe vij s. vj d.

Item one burgage in tenor of Richerd Hall betwexte two burgages of thesaid scole bothe southe and northe ij s. x d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Edward Gydlyn¹² betwexte ij burgages of thesaid scole southe and northe ij s. x d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Richerd Sander lyon betwext j burgage of the scole of southe and one lane othe northe ij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Roberte Coke lyng betwext the . . . [sic] of the southe and one burgage of Thomas Falowfeld of the northe, paing yerlie therfor iij s.

Item paid out of one burgage set betwexte a burgage of Alexander Appilbie¹³ of southe and a burgage of erle of Cumbrelonde othe northe in tenor of William Langhorne x d.

Item paid out of a burgage in tenor of Thomas Henryson wif set betwexte a burgage of the kirklyghte othe southe and one burgage othe scole othe northe iij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of Roberte Wilson set betwext one burgage of erle of Cumbrelond othe southe and one lane othe northe, paing yerlie therfor v s.

Item j burgage in tenor of Roberte Coke betwexte a burgage of Lorde Dakers of este and j burgage of Philyp Gyllet othe weste, paing yerlie vij d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Michell Raybek betwexte a burgage of the scole othe este and j burgage of Lorde Daker othe weste, paing yerlie therfor viij d.

Item one burgage in tenor of Christofer Holme¹⁴ set betwexte a burgage of kirklyghte of thone parte and j burgage of Edward Burbanke of southe iij d.

Item one burgage in tenor of Ranold Herteley betwext the burgage of Belman of northe and j burgage of thesaid scole othe este, paing yerlie ij s.

Item j burgage in tenor of Issabell Dawson betwexte a burgage othe scole othe northe and j burgage of Hewe Machell of the southe, paing yerlie ij s.

Item j burgage in tenor of Miles Hertley betwexte a burgage of the towne of the northe and one burgage of therle of Cumbrelonde othe south, paing therfor ij s.

¹¹ Thomas Morton.
¹² Edward Gide.
¹³ William Langhorne.
¹⁴ Bartholomew Gybson.

Item j burgage in tenor of Richerd Sander betwexte a burgage of therle of Cumbrelonde othe northe and j burgage of kirk-lighte of the south, paing therfor yerlie ij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of John Burrell betwexte ij burgages of thesaid John northe and southe ij s.

Item j burgage in tenor of William Langhorne betwexte j burgage of John Burrell of northe and southe vij d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Roberte Adyson betwexte one burgage of John Burrell of the northe and one burgage of the scole of the southe, paing therfor yerlie xij d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Marke Robynson betwexte a burgage of the scole of northe and one burgage of the vicare of the southe, paing yerlie xij d.

Item j burgage in tenor of William Smythe betwexte ij burgages of erle of Cumbrelonde northe and southe xx d.

Item j burgage in tenor of John Lowson betwexte ij burgages of thesaid erle northe and southe x d.

Item iij burgages together in tenor of Richerd Lame set betwexte j burgage of Thomas Hilton othe este and j burgage of Lord Dacre othe northe, paing vij s.

Item j burgage in tenor of James Gybson betwexte a burgage of Thomas Hilton othe southe and j burgage othe scole of the northe, paing therfor yerlie ij s.

Item iij burgages in tenor of Ambrose Merton betwexte the said burgage othe scole of southe and one burgage of Thomas Hilton of northe, paing yerlie iij s. vj d.

Item j burgage in tenor of wif of John Wylton¹⁵ betwexte thesaid burgage of Thomas Hylton othe southe and one layne of the northe, paing yerlie therfor ij s.

Item j burgage in tenor of Thomas Nutte betwexte one burgage of Christofer Crakenthorpe othe northe and one burgage of Thomas Lancaster othe south, paing yerlye xx d.

Item j burgage in tenor of Thomas More betwexte a burgage of Thomas Hylton othe northe and a[n]other of thesame Thomas othe southe xx d.

Item paid out of a burgage of Seynte Michell kirklyghte . vj d.

Item two acres of earablonde in tenor of Richerd Sowreby lying of Dowster betwexte the grounde of therle of Cumbrelonde of the northe and ij acres of thesaid scole othe este, paing ij s.

Item ij acres in tenor of Miles Herteley lying at thesaid place betwexte thesaid ij acres othe northe and the ground of erle of Cumbrelonde othe south, paing therfor vj s. ij d.

Item vj acres londe in tenor of William Langhorne lying to-

¹⁵ John Wynter.

gether in Burrelfelde betwexte the ground of thesaid erle bothe northe and southe, paing therfor iiij s.

Item a littell close in tenor of William Langthorne called Littell Crofte lying betwexte the ground of erle of Cumbrelonde othe southe and the lane othe northe, paing yerlie . xvij d.

Item a littell close lying in the northe side of thesaid lane in tenor of Elsabethe Dauson, paing yerlie xvij d.

Item a gres close in tenor of Sir Leonard Langhorn vicare lying of baksyde othe scolehouse, and payeth by yere
vj s. viij d.

Item paid out of a littell close called Petmancrofte lying of the westsyde othe vicare by theyres of Thomas Ros to thesaid scolemaister yerlie vj d.

Item paid out of Castellparke to thesaid scolemaister yerlie
ij s.¹⁶

Item one burgage called the scole, paing yerlie vj d.
[Total] vj li. x d.¹⁷

[m. 5] Reprises.

Paid to theyres of Thomas Ros for on[e] burgage in Scolehousecloce (xij d.), for the subcedie to the kinges majestie (xij s. vj d.), for perpetuall tenementes (ix s. ij d.).
[Total] xxij s. viij d.

And so remayneth iiij li. xvij s. ij d.

Plaite, ornamenttes, gooddes and cattalles perteyning to thesaid scole in Appylbye.

Furste one challes dubbed gylte weyng vij ounces at iij s. iiij d. thounce, but it is doubtfull whether it is sylver or not (xxiiij s. iiij d.), one broken chales weing iiij ounces at iij s. thounce (xij s.), thre vestementes (xv s.), vij alterclothes (iiij s.), one messebooke (xvj d.) and iij corporax (ij s.).
[Total] lvij s. viij d.

[Altogether four chantries are known to have existed in Appleby. When Ranulph Meschin granted to the abbey of St. Mary, York, the two churches of St. Michael and St. Laurence in 1086, he referred to the latter as the church "of my castle" of Appleby. The connection between St. Laurence's and the castle was continued, for in 1251 the first reference to a chapel in the castle appears in an award of Bishop Everdon of Carlisle which shows that 48 acres of land attached to the church were

¹⁶ ij s. id.

¹⁷ vj li. xvj d. The "v" of the "viij d." in the fourth item from the end is badly written and appears to have been overlooked when totalling the printed survey. This, with the extra penny the later survey shows for the penultimate item, accounts for the difference of 6d. in the totals.)

intended to provide the salary of a chaplain serving daily in the castle chapel. There was litigation between St. Mary's and the vicar of St. Laurence's in 1359, 1379-81, 1406 and 1466, as successive vicars vainly tried to throw the responsibility of maintaining the chaplain on St. Mary's dependency, Wetheral Priory (*Register of Wetheral Priory* (Record Series, no. 1), pp. 404 & 408; *N. & B. I*, pp. 324-325; Exchequer K.R. Ecclesiastical Documents, file 6, no. 33 — for the second dispute).

A chantry dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary was founded in a chapel in the south aisle of St. Laurence's. The foundation has been attributed to Master William de Goldington, who was mayor of Appleby *circa* 1260. Bishop Irton confirmed the foundation in 1286. The endowment consisted of rents from fifteen houses in Appleby yielding £3. 13s. 4d. *p.a.*, and if this figure could not be realised an income from thirteen other houses was guaranteed (*N. & B. I*, p. 327; *Reg. Wetheral*, pp. 262-263).

Robert Threlkeld of Appleby, who had royal letters of protection in 1334 (*CPR. 1334-1338*, p. 37), founded a second chantry in St. Laurence's in that year; he had received Bishop Ross's permission to do so in 1330. The inquisition *ad quod damnum* was taken in Appleby on 27 January 1333: the endowment was to consist of burgage property held of the king at a rent of 2s. 10d. which produced 74s. 7d. *p.a.* Threlkeld also held lands worth £10 *p.a.* of Robert Clifford (File 226, no. 10). The royal licence was granted on 28 January 1334 (*CPR. 1330-1334*, p. 506). This foundation, known as St. Nicholas's chantry, was established in a chapel at the north side of the chancel of St. Laurence's church, which was rebuilt in the seventeenth century and is now occupied by Lady Anne Clifford's tomb (*N. & B. I*, p. 328; *CW1 viii* 398-399; *RCHM Westmorland*, pp. 4-5).

The fourth Appleby chantry was founded by William Lenglish, a member of a local family who made his fortune in the service of Edward III, as a Chamber official. He received many grants of land in Cumberland from the king, and the office of chief forester of Inglewood. In 1342 he was permitted to fortify his house at Highhead. He frequently represented Westmorland in Parliament between 1319 and 1338 (T. F. Tout, *Chapters in Administrative History*, Vol. IV, pp. 264 & 273; *N. & B. I*, pp. 259-260; *CPR. 1340-1343*, p. 356). Six months before his death, he was granted, on 14 February 1344, licence to grant seven burgages in Appleby to a chaplain celebrating in the church of St. Michael Bongate (*CPR. 1343-1345*, p. 200). There are references to a chaplain of this chantry, dedicated to the Virgin, dating from 1467-69 (*N. & B. I*, p. 342).

The dispute in 1466 is the last notice found of the castle chantry. The three chantries in the two churches were amalgamated in 1479 when they were all granted by the mayor and burgesses to Thomas Whinfell, chaplain. Leonard Langhorn was described as the chaplain of St. Mary's chantry when the vicar of St. Laurence's granted in 1516 that he should have a salary

of £4. 13s. 4d. for keeping a school. Two years later, the mayor and burgesses agreed that he should hold all three chantries, since the revenue of his own was inadequate, while he taught in the grammar school. The school was older than these notices indicate, for there was a lane in Appleby called "School-house gate" in 1452-53.

In 1535, the *Valor* listed a single chantry or grammar school with a revenue of £4. 11s. 3d. *p.a.* held by Edward Gibson. The 1546 survey is clearly wrong in naming Leonard Langhorn as the master (he had become vicar of St. Laurence's by 1535 and is shown as vicar in this certificate): Gibson was named in 1547 as the stipendiary who used to celebrate services and keep a free grammar school. The Crown ordered that he should continue as master (*N. & B I*, pp. 329-330: L. Budden, "Some Notes on Appleby Grammar School", CW2 xxxix 227-261.)

KIRKBY LONSDALE

Chaunterie of William Middyltone in the parish church of Kyrbilonsdail, Sir Roberte Dodgeson incumbent.

Ferme of certayn londes and tenementes within Garsdale in the countie of Yorke, parcell of the late monesterie of Seynte Agathe beside Richemond, nowe in the kinges majestie handes, and paid by the receivour of thesame londes yerlie

iiij li. xiiij s. iiij d.

Item one hous in Grynton with a littell garthing, by yere . x d.

[Total] iiij li. xiiij s. ij d.

Reprises.

Paid to the kinges majestie yerlie out of thesaid londes . viij d.

Et remanet iiij li. xiiij s. vj d.

Plate and ornamenttes pertein[in]g to thesaid chaunterie in Kyrkbye Lonsdaill.

Furst one chales valued (xl s.), one vestemente (x s.), iij olde vestementes (vj s. viij d.), ij alterclothes, ij corporax (v s.), a sacring bell and crewet, one boke, tabernacle, towell, chiste and j pax (xiiij s. iiij d.).

[Total] lxxv s.

[This chantry was founded in 1486 by William Middleton, who reserved to himself and his heirs the right to present a priest. He apparently hoped to safeguard the principal endowment of £4. 13s. 4d. *p.a.* by entrusting it to the abbey of Easby, near Richmond. With the dissolution of this house in 1536, however, its property was appropriated by the Crown, but the pension continued to be paid by the king's receiver of the abbey lands. A chantry chapel was built at the east end of the north aisle;

it was destroyed in the eighteenth century (CW₁ i 193-195; *RCHM Westmorland*, pp. 133-135).

The chantry priest in 1525 was Edward Middleton — doubtless “founder’s kin” — and his stipend said to be worth £4 (Exchequer T.R. Misc. Books, no. 61, p. 19). Like most other Westmorland chantries, this one was not reported in the *Valor Ecclesiasticus*. The last incumbent, Robert Dodgson, was aged 60 in 1547, when there were said to be two thousand parishioners. He received a pension of £4. 13s. 4d. and was still alive in 1562 (CW₂ xxvii 57).]

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Chaunterie of Seynt Leonarde called the Spyttell in Kyrkby Lonsdaill, Sir Jefferey Baynbrig incumbente.

Furst one messuage called the Spittell conte[i]ning xxvj acres of erable londe, vj acres of medowe, with certayn waistes, nowe in tenor of George Baynbrig, painge therfor yerlie at the festes of Seynte Peter advincola and Candelmes . . . lxx s. iiij d.

Item one tenemente in tholding of John Greyne, painge etc.

xviii s.

Item one parcell of erable londe in tenor of James Huetson, and paeth yerlie at thesaid festes iij s.

Item one parcell of medowegrounde in the tenor of Christofer Harding, paing yerlie at the forsaid termes xij d.

Item one parcell [of] grounde in tholding of Richerd Newton, paing yerlie at thesaid feastes vj d.

Item j parcell of grounde in tenor of Richerd Godsawfe, payng yerlie therfor at thesaid festes vj d.

[Total] iiij li. xiiij s. iiij d.

Reprises.

Paid oute of the same to the kinges majestie for tenementes (ix s. iiij d.) and to one William Bordaille yerlie (iij d.).

[Total] ix s. vij d.

And so remayneth iiij li. iij s. ix d.

Plate and ornamentes pertaining to the said chaunterie in Kyrbylonsdal.

Fyrste a chales gylte (xxix s. viij d.), ij olde vestementes (v s.), ij alterclothes (vj d.), ij crewettes and one sacryngbelle (iiij d.), one towelle (ij d.), one yron candilstyke (iiij d.), j corporax (iiij d.), j alterstone (vj d.) and one gretbell (vj s. viij d.).

[Total] xliij s. vj d.

[The history of this foundation is obscure until its last years. Its site is still known as the Spital and lies beside Lupton Beck,

about three miles west of Kirkby Lonsdale on the Kendal road. Like other leper hospitals (if such it were), it was probably founded in the twelfth or thirteenth century, and a notice of a chaplain at Tarnside about 1250 may refer to its incumbent. In a fine made in 1542, Marmaduke Gascoigne, esquire, released to Richard Redman, esquire, the advowsons of a chantry in Lupton (*Kendale II*, pp. 344 & 362); this was presumably the same benefice.

Robert Redman was named as a chaplain in Kirkby Lonsdale with a stipend of £5. 6s. 8d. in 1525 (Exchequer T.R. Misc. Book 61, p. 19) and again in 1551 as having been chaplain of the Spital for eighteen years, being succeeded by Walter Preston for four years, Edward Craven for five years, and finally by Geoffrey Bainbridge in 1540. A witness said in 1551 that "albeit the said chappell by some people was called Seynt Leonards chappell, sometyme Seynt Leonards chauntry, but he never knew it used but as a chauntry"; no other witness could testify to its use as a hospital, and in the particulars for sale in 1548 it was observed that "the said Spittall seemeth to be an hospytall founded for the mayntenance of lepers and pore folkes, and harth ben used but not almoste this xx yeres last past".

In 1542, Geoffrey Bainbridge had leased the Spital to his brother George for the term of Geoffrey's life at an annual rent of £4. 13s. 4d. George applied to Alan Bellingham, the Crown surveyor of Westmorland chantries in 1547, for his assistance in buying the property. On 7 July 1548, however, the Court of Augmentations drew up a contract of sale at thirty years' purchase with Thomas Foscroft, a royal official. The Bainbridges prevented him from taking possession, claiming that the foundation was a hospital and that they had a freehold in its endowments. In consequence, a commission was appointed in 1551 to enquire whether the benefice was a chantry or a free chapel. The evidence collected indicated that the foundation had been a chantry and was thus subject to the act of suppression. Geoffrey Bainbridge had been granted a pension of £4. 13s. 4d. in 1548 but it was being withheld in 1552 (Exchequer, Various Accounts, bundle 76, no. 22), presumably because of the retention of the Spital. With the completion of its sale by the Crown in 1554, however, he was again considered to be entitled to his pension (R. P. Brown, "The Chantries of Kirkby Lonsdale", CW2 xxvii 58-76).

The lands were bought by Thomas Reve and George Cotton of London, in 1554, and sold by them to Edward Parkinson ten weeks later (*CPR. 1553-1554*, p. 97; *1554-1555*, p. 211).]

KENDAL

Londes pertaining to the chaunterie of Seynt Christofer in the parische church of Kyrkbykendalle, Sur John Garnet incumbente.

Fyrste one burgage set in Marketplace of Kyrkby Kendall in tenor of Thomas Bullok, George Brayken and Elsebeth Moserghe widowe,¹⁸ painge yerlie at the festes of Martenmes and Whitsondaie xxvj s. viij d.

Item one burgage in Striklondgate in Kendall in the occupation of Roberte Braithtwhaite, paing yerlie vj s. viiij d.

Item j burgage in Heighegate in Kyrkbykendall in tenor of Anne Colyne widowe,¹⁹ paing yerlie at thesaid festes x s.

Item j burgage in Heghgate in Kirkbykendall exchaunged with one tenemente in Whinfell nowe in tenor of Henry Byrse²⁰ etc.

xj s.

Item certayn erable londe in Lankeshire called the Stuble in the parishing of Halton in the tenor of Master Curwene, payng yerlie at thesaid festes xiiij s. iiij d.

[Total] lxvij s. viij d.

Reprises.

Paid oute of thesame for the reparacions of burgages in the Marketplace vj s. viij d.

Paid out of thesame for sutes, fines and frerentes to the kinges majestie xvij d.

Paid oute of thesame in Striklondgate for sutes, fynes and frerente to the lorde chamberlane xx d.

Paid out of the burgages in Heighgate to lorde of Essex for sutes, fines and frerente iiij s. iiij d.

[Total] xiiij s. j d.

And so remayneth liiij s. vij d.

Plate and ornamenttes perteininge to thesaid chaunterie of Seynte Christofer in Kyrkbye Kendall.

Furst a chales of viij ounces parcell gylte (xxix s. iiij d.), a olde chesable (v s.), one albe (xij d.), one ames (v d.), a stole and fannon, one bell and one crewet (xij d.), one sacringbell (viiij d.), a pax and corporax (vj d.), a messe booke (xvj d.) and one towell (iiij d.).

[Total] xxxix s. vj d.

[No particulars of this chantry's early history have been discovered beyond the statement in 1547 that it was founded by Elizabeth Sadler, a widow. (Robert and Nicholas Sadler appear in a Kendal deed of 1520, Christopher in 1537 (*Kendale I*, pp. 60 & 72) and Stephen may be seen as a tenant of the Roos

¹⁸ Thomas Byrkbeck, Thomas Braken and the wife of James Lyscope, in 1547.

¹⁹ Christopher Philopson.

²⁰ Formerly Henry, now Thomas Byrse.

chantry.) John Garnet, who was born about 1487, is shown as a chaplain in Kendal church in 1524, with an annual stipend of 40s. (Exchequer T.R. Misc. Book 149, p. 32). In 1547 he was also chaplain of the Trinity guild. He received a pension of 54s. 7d. and died in Kendal on 27 July of the following year (Various Accounts 76, no. 22).

In 1547 the property was stated to yield 67s. 8d. *p.a.* less charges of 13s. 1d. and the goods to be worth 9s. 6d. The houses occupied by the first four tenants and Henry Byrse were sold to William Ward and Richard Venables as part of a large lot which also included some of the Roos chantry's endowments. In their patent, they were in addition to these named properties granted all chantry lands in Kendal (*CPR. 1548-1549*, p. 47). In fact, they did not obtain possession of any other property except that of the guild and altar of Jesus, while some rents of the St. Christopher (14s. 4d. *p.a.*) and Roos (30s. 10d.) chantries were still in the Crown's hands in 1553 (Ministers' Accounts, Edward VI, no. 479, & Philip and Mary, no. 300).]

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Londes pertaining to a service of Seynte William in Kyrkbykendall church, Sir Edward Strykland incumbente.

Fyrste one hous with a garthe in Lankester towne in the tenor of John Standishe, paing ther at the festes of Mertynmas and Whitsondaie yerlie iiiij s.

Item j hous with a garthe in the towne of Lancaster in tenor of William Greyme, paiable at thesaid festes xiiij s.

Item j hous with a garthing in Lankester towne in tenor of William Cowper, paing yerlie at thesaid termes xxj s.

Item j tenemente with certayn erable londe and medowe in Bare in the countie of Lancaster in tenor of John Swan, and payeth yerlie at thesaid termes xxj s.

Item j tenemente with certayn erable londe and medowe ther in tenor of William Chaser, and paiethe yerlie xxj s.

[m. 5d.] Item one tenemente with certayn earable londe and medowe in Midleton in the countie of Lancaster in tenor of William Bowthe, paing yerlie therfor at thesaid termes xiiij s.

[Total] iiiij li. xiiij s.

Reprises.

Paid to John Standishe for gathering the rentes abovesaid iiiij s.

Item halfe ponde pepper to Master Lancaster, by estimacion xiiij d.

[Total] v s. ij d.

And so remayneth iiiij li. viij s. x d.

Plate, ornamenttes, gooddes and cattalles pertaining to thesaid chaunterie of Seynt William in Kyrkbykendall.

Fyrste one chales weying viij ounnces ungylte, at iij s. viiij d. le ounce (xxix s. iij d.), a chesable of grene sattane (v. s.), one chesable of red and yalowe dornex (iij d.), one messebooke (vj d.) and ij alterclothes (ij d.).

[Total] xxxv s. iij d.

[The 1547 survey records that this chantry was founded by Thomas Strickland and William and Thomas Stainbank. This cannot have been many years previously as the chaplain was the son of Thomas Strickland and had been born about 1490. He was presumably serving at the chantry in 1524, when he was noted as a chaplain in Kendal church, with a stipend of £4 *p.a.* (Exchequer K.R. Misc. Book 149, p. 32).

This was the second Strickland chantry in Kendal church. In his will, dated 1528, Sir Walter Strickland ordered that he should be buried "in myn owne choir of Sent Katryn" and that Miles Harrison was to be chaplain of the "serves or chante in my quere in Kendall kyrk" after the death of John Bowerdall (*Kendal I*, pp. 152-153). This chantry would have been situated in the Strickland chapel at the east end of the inner south aisle where Sir Walter's tomb still stands; the building itself has been attributed to the period of his life (*RCHM Westmorland*, pp. 121-122), so that he was probably the founder of the chantry. His wife's name was Katherine, which may have influenced the choice of dedication. The chantry of St. Katherine is not mentioned in any of the surveys or other records of the suppression and no reference has been found to either chaplain named in Sir Walter's will.

After the suppression, the royal receiver of chantry lands in Westmorland was held responsible for the revenues of the chantry of St. William, but he reported that one George Southworth took them, claiming that the chantry had been granted to him by letters patent which he refused to produce for inspection. This problem appears to have been resolved in Mary's reign as the chantry is no longer shown in the receiver's accounts (Ministers' Accounts, Edward VI, no. 480, & Philip and Mary, nos. 300 & 305).

No pension was granted to the chaplain for he and Giles Parker were employed as assistant curates in the church with stipends from the Crown of £4. 12s. 10d. *p.a.* each, an item shown on the receivers' accounts up to 1582 (*Ibid.* Elizabeth, nos. 2315, 2325, 1020 & 1025). This was an obvious fiction, for a petition to the Exchequer by inhabitants of Kendal in the last year said that the two chaplains had been dead for some time (Strickland would have been 92 had he still been living) and the revenue of £9. 5s. 8d. employed at the parishioners' discretion, as in hiring "singingmen". The substance of the petition was that

as there was "much youthe" in the town, a schoolmaster was needed. The vicar already employed a curate at his own expense and agreed with the parishioners that the stipend would be best employed in augmenting the wages of the master at the grammar school. The Exchequer agreed on 12 May that the receiver in Westmorland should now pay this sum of £9. 5s. 8d. to the schoolmaster (Exchequer K.R., Books of Decrees and Orders, no. 7, fo. 235).]

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Service of Saynte Antonye within the parishechurch of Kyrkbykendall, Sur Roberte Byrse incumbent.

Fyrste one tenemente and certayn londe and medowe lyinge in Nettesclake within the hamlote of Stayntone in tenor of John Fisher, paing at Saynt Andrewe daie and Saynte James yerlie by evyne porcions ix s. iiij d.

Item Roland Cowherde holdethe one tenemente in Staynton in Fornes, paing yerlie therfor iij s. vj d.

Item the wife of Roberte Geldarde holdethe one tenemente in thesaid Nettesclake, painge yerlie therfor iij s. iiij d.

Item Richerd Geldarde holdeth a tenemente in lyke maner ther, and paeth at thesaid festes iij s. iiij d.

Item John Gelderd holdethe one tenemente in lyke maner ther, and payethe at thesaid festes iij s. iiij d.

Item one tenemente with certayn earable londe and medowe lying in Wrynghousis within the parishe of Kirkby in Fornes in tenor of Miles Lancaster and Nich[ol]es Shipperde, paing at thesaid termes yerlie xj s. viij d.

Item one burgage house in Dalton in Fornes copyholde londe in tenor of Richard Ynman, paynge yerlie iiij s.

Item one burgage in Holverston in Fornes in tenor of the wif of Richerd Foxe, paing yerlie ix s.

Item one burgage in tenor of John Corker ther, paing ij s.

Item one kylnehous in tenor of Antony Cowper ther, payng yerlie at thesaid festes vj s. viij d.

Item one burgage in Kyrklonde in Kendall in tenor of William Noble, and paith at Mertynmes and Whitsondaie yerlie vj s. viij d.

Item one tenemente with certayn londe and medowe lying in Longsleddall in Westemerlonde,²¹ painge yerlie therefor xvj s.

[Total] lxxvij s. x d.

Reprises.

Fyrst one tenement of Rolande Cowherde witholden from the

²¹ Shown in 1547 as property of the Roos chantry and held by Hugh Shepherd and his brother.

incumbente by Sur Johne Huddilston, knygyte, by what tytle is not knowen iij s. vj d.

To Alen Fysher for receyving of the rentes and brynging them to Kendall ij s.

Item sutes and fynes for awnswering at the kinges courtes in Dalston and Ulverston ij s. vj d.

Item for freferme at Ulverstone and Kendall xvj d.

[Total] ix s. iij d.

And so remayneth lxix s. vj d.

Plate and ornamenttes perteyninge to thesaid service of Saynte Antonye.

Fyrste one chales parcell gylte weyng viij ounnces, at iij s. viij d. the ounce (xxix s. iij d.), a chesable with albe and other therto (iiij s.), ij other chesables with albes and other therto apperte[in]ing (iij s.), one messall (xvj d.) and one coveryng for the autler (iij d.).

[Total] xxxviiij s.

[The chantry was founded by William Harrison and William Shepherd, a chapman of Helsington, in Kendal parish, who died in 1543, leaving instructions for his burial "in the kwere off Saynt Anthonye". The endowment was vested in a body of trustees, their heirs and assigns, who were to appoint the chaplain, pay him £3. 6s. 8d. *p.a.*, keeping any surplus for their pains, and generally supervise the conduct of services. These regulations appear in Shepherd's will. He also stipulated that the endowment should be shared equally by the heirs of both founders "yff the saide servys in the said qwere at any tyme hereafter shall not be sufferede to conteneuwe and perpetually to endewre by any statute, acte, decre or injunction, or otherwysse whatsoever it be by the lawes of Ynglonde" (*Richmondshire Wills* (Surtees Society, 1843), pp. 31-33).

The chaplain (aged 49) was granted a pension of 64s. 4d. in 1548. The revenues were retained by the Crown for many years and, like those of the Roos chantry, appear in the receiver's account for 1594-95, although both chantries are said to have been granted to Sir Christopher Hatton in 1582 (Ministers' Accounts, Elizabeth, no. 2335; *N. & B. I.*, p.74).]

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The gylde of the Trenitie within Kendall church, Sur Roberte Wilsonne incumbente ther.

Fyrste one burgage with a garthe in Kyrklonde in Kendall in tenor of Richerd Wilsonne, paing yerlie at Mertynmes and Whitsondaie yerlie xviiij s.

Item a chamber ther copyholde londe in tenor of Parson Layborne, paing yerlie at thesaid festes vj s. viij d.

Item one burgage ther in tenor of [the] wife of Roberte Gelderd, paing therfor yerlie at thesaid festes iiij s.

Item one burgage in tenor of the wif of Thomas Couper, paing
iiij s. iiij d.

Item j burgage in tenor of William Walker, paing yerlie
iiij s. iiij d.

Item j burgage in Straymongate in Kendall in tenor of Miles Chamber with a garth, paing yerlie at thesaid [feasts]²²

xij s. viij d.

[Total] xlviiij s.

Reprises.

Paid for frerente, sutes and services to the kinges majestie yerlie vj s.

And so remayneth xlij s.

Plate, ornementes, gooddes nor cattalles perte[in]ing to thesaid gylde ar none.

[This guild was said in 1547 to have been founded by Thomas Wright, presumably after 1389 as it is not shown in the returns of the survey of guilds made in that year (H. F. Westlake, *The Parish Gilds of Medieval England*).

Between the survey in 1546 and that of the following year, Wilson was succeeded as chaplain by John Garnet who was also chaplain of St. Christopher's chantry. He did not receive a second pension for this other chaplaincy. The receiver's account for 1548-49, which refers to the foundation as "the stipend at the altar of Jesus (*see below*) with the guild of the Trinity", shows that Ward and Venables had secured possession of the property by virtue of their patent, although of the Guild's property it referred by name only to the burgage held by Miles Chamber (see above under St. Christopher).]

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Service of the foundation of Thomas Ros, knyghte, in the churche of Kendalle, Sir Alen Shepherd incumbent.

Fyrste one burgage with a garthe in Kendall towne in tenor of Roberte Bek, paing yerlie at Mertynmes and Whitsondaie . x s.

Item j burgage with appurtenaunce ther in tenour of Steven Sadler, paing yerlie at thesaid termes xvj s.

Item j burgage with appurtenaunce ther in tenor of Niche[la]s Carehus, paynge at theforsaid termes xxij s.

²² Listed with the Roos chantry endowments in 1547.

Item j burgage with appurtenaunce ther in tenour of William Pepper, paynge therfor yerlye xiiij s. iiij d.

Item j burgage with appurtenaunce ther in tenour of John Andrew, paing yerlye at thesaid festes xxvj s. viij d.

[m. 6] Item one burgage ther in tenor of Roberte Broune with vj acres of earable londe, paing yerlie at thesaid festes . xxviij s.

Item iij acres of londe in Mynsertefelde besides Kendall in tenor of Nicoles Tunstall, paing, yerlie therfor x s.

Item iij acres of londe ther in tenor of John Willsonn, paing yerlie at thesaid termes ix. s. ij d.

Item j acre of londe ther in tenor of Roberte Carehous, paing viij s. iiij d.

Item ij acres di. londe ther in tenor of Myles Gennyng, paing viij s. iiij d.

Item j burgage with a garthe in Kyrklonde in Kendall copyholde londe in tenour of Alyn Sheperde, incumbente, of the yerlie value to let to rente viij s.

[Total] vij li. xiiij s. x d.

Reprises.

Fyrste paid to the kinges majestie for feferme for the copyholde xvij d.

For sutes and fynes to the iiij barone courtes xviiij d.

For frerente to the kinges majestie and to therle of Essex xvj d.

[Total] iiij s. iiij d.

And so remayneth vij li. x s. vij d.

Plate and ornamenttes perteing to thesaid chaunterie of Thomas Ros, knyghte.

Fyrste one challes weing vj ounces, at iij s. viij d. le ounce (xxij s.), iiij chesables, ij albes and ij corporax (xiiij s. iiij d.), ij hynginges to thalter (xiiij s. iiij d.), ij alterclothes (xx d.), ij candelstykes and one bell (xij d.), one messall (xij d.).

[Total] lij s. iiij d.²³

[This chantry, dedicated to St. Thomas Becket, most probably dates from the last quarter of the fourteenth century. The Roos family held a quarter part of the barony of Kendal, including the castle, from 1282, but the only head of the family with the Christian name of Thomas was the last of the Roos line who died in 1390. His portion of the barony — the Marquis Fee — now passed by marriage to the Parrs (*Kendale I*, pp. 30-32), and it will be shown that the Parr living at the suppression retained an interest in the chantry. This may well have been

²³ 35s. 4d. in 1547.

placed during its later years in the Parr chapel of Kendal church, but as the chapel appears to have been constructed about 1500 (*RCHM Westmorland*, p. 121), while the chantry must be considered about a century older, it is necessary to presume that the altar would have been moved from its original site in the older part of the church.

The first known chaplains were one Cowper and then Stephen Johnson (in the fifteenth century), followed for eighteen years by Henry Godmonde, Alan Shepherd's immediate predecessor. Shepherd himself was reported in 1553 to have been the chaplain for twenty years before 1547 (when he was 56 years old), but he is known to have serving in 1525, with a stipend of £4 *p.a.* (Various Accounts 76, no. 22; Exchequer T.R. Misc. Book 61, p. 21). This figure is either incorrect or Shepherd subsequently received a "rise", for Godmonde does not appear in the 1525 list. Not all the revenues of this exceptionally rich Kendal chantry were paid to the chaplain, but in 1548, when his pension was assessed, his stipend was shown as £6. 13s. 4d. A pension of £6 *p.a.* was granted by the Crown, but Shepherd only once received it during Edward VI's reign; it was again paid in 1555 (CW2 xxvii 76).

The first six burgages in the above list were named in the grant to Ward and Venables (see under St. Christopher's chantry). The remaining properties, shown as yielding 30s. 10d. *p.a.*, were listed in the receivers' accounts until 1595, and perhaps later (but see notes on St. Anthony's chantry). They were not collected before 1554, however, as they were retained by William Parr, marquess of Northampton (Ministers' Accounts, Edward VI, nos. 479-481; Philip and Mary, 300 & 305; Elizabeth, 2315 & 2335). The reason why Parr did not receive his Crown pension was that Parr gave him a similar salary (Various Accounts 76, no. 22).]

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Chaunterie of tholde warke called Saynte Marye within the parishe church of Kendall.

Adam Sheperde, incumbente ther, dothe receive lxxvj s. viij d. for his wages of Master Whalley, the kinges heighnes receivor of the suppressed londes in Yorkshire, at two termes in the yere, as to saye at Mertynmes and Whitsondaie equallye

lxxvj s. viij d.

Plate and ornamenttes pertainyng to thesaid chaunterye.

Fyrste one chesable of olde blewe chamlet with a albe (xij d.), one alter clothe (j d.), ij corporax (viij d.), ij littell candilstykes (iiij d.), a nolde messe booke (iiij d.).

[Total] ij s. v d.

[The chantry of St. Mary or Our Lady (in the 1547 survey) was the oldest chantry in Kendal church. It was founded in

1321 by the vicar, Roger de Kirkeby. The form of endowment was a pension of £5 *p.a.* to be paid by the abbot and convent of St. Mary's, York, who had recently appropriated the church.

Adam Shepherd was also the master of Kendal Grammar School (see below) but he received a pension of 66s. 8d. after the suppression of his chantry. The endowment had already passed into the Crown's hands on the dissolution of St. Mary's, York, in 1539.

The chantry is said to have been situated in the outer south aisle (J. F. Curwen, "The Parish Church of Kendal", CWI xvi 161). It is difficult to reconcile this statement with that of the above survey calling this a "chaunterie of tholde werke", for the outer aisles were comparatively new at the time of the survey. Moreover, the inner north aisle was said in 1777 to have been "anciently Our Lady's chapel" and it then contained the tomb of Sir Roger Bellingham at the east end (*N. & B.* I, p. 76). An inscription on this tomb states that Bellingham had rebuilt the Lady Chapel. (The tomb was presumably moved into the adjacent Bellingham Chapel in the outer north aisle when the organ was installed in the inner aisle in the nineteenth century.)

Curwen also states, however, that the Becket (or Roos) chantry lay at the chancel end of the inner north aisle and that the Parr Chapel was an early fourteenth century addition (pp. 159 & 160). Curwen's architectural datings are not now accepted (*RCHM Westmorland*, pp. 119-121); in any case, his dating of the Parr Chapel is unacceptable for another reason, namely that the Parrs did not appear in Kendal until 1390. It has already been shown that they regarded the Roos chantry as their own and that it was probably placed in their chapel.

Curwen's statements are often hard to check, as he gives no references, but some errors can be detected (*e.g.* that St. Anne's chapel, Hugill, was in Kendal church). It would be wiser, therefore, to follow Nicolson and Burn who saw the church before the nineteenth century alterations.]

HUGILL

Service of the chapelle of the Inges in the parishe of Kendall,
Sir James Inman incumbent.

Two tenementes in Conyngsborgh and Mexburghe in the countie of Yorke, by estimacion C acres of erable londe with certayne medowe and pasture, in the occupacion of the late wyf of John Glasedaill, painge yerlie at Martennes and Whitsondaie by evyne porcions iiiij li. ij s. viij d.

Reprises.

Paid to the kinges heignes officers for feferme yerlie . . . xvj s.
And so remaynethe clere lxvj s. viij d.

Jewels, plate, ornamentes, gooddes or cattalles perte[in]ging to the said service of the chappell of the Inges ar none; whiche chapelle is distant from the parishe church of Kendall fyve myles.

[The surveyors in 1547 reported that this benefice at Hugill was founded by one Wilson and others "to fynde a priest to celebrate there for ease of the people, for howe longe space we knowe notte". It provided services for the two hundred people of the village, which was too far from the parish church at Kendal for their convenience. An account of 1595 (cited below) refers to it as "Saint Annes Chappell" at Grassgarth in Hugill. St. Ann's Farm in the modern parish of Hugill is said to occupy the site of the chapel (*RCHM Westmorland*, p. 114). Curwen refers to an indulgence granted in 1511 to those contributing to the cost of completing a chapel dedicated to St. Anne founded by Thomas Birkhead of Hugill (CW1 xvi 162).

The chaplain was not pensioned off and in Elizabeth's reign her receiver in Westmorland paid his annual stipend of 66s. 8d. In 1595, however, it was stated that the chapel was in ruins and that 16d. issuing from it and an adjacent close called "Wekettlandes" at Grassgarth, of which Humphrey Birkhead was the tenant, had been granted by the Crown to Edward Wymarke in 1588 and sold by him to Christopher Bateman a few weeks later (Ministers' Accounts, Elizabeth, nos. 2315, 2325 & 2335). A chapel, later erected into a parish church, was built half a mile away and the Crown long continued to pay the incumbent this stipend of five marks (*N. & B. I*, p. 140).]

LADY HOLME

Wynondermer

Memorandum that Adam Curas, persone of Wynondermer, Miles Dycson, George Broune and Williame Richerdson, churchwardens of thesame, saithe ther is a frechapell within the parishing of Wynondermer called Our Ladie chapell of tholme, distante from thesaid parishe church halfe a myle. And they saie that Sir William Mountforthe is clerke or person of thesame and hath to his wages vj li. xiiij s. iiij d. paid him yerlie by thandes of Christofer Philypson, receivor of the kinges majestie rentes of Wynondermer. And forther they saye ther are two tenementes belonging to the said chapell of viij s. ferme by yere in tenour of Rolande Dicsone and Thomas Dicsone.²⁴

[The chapel, of which the remains have long since disappeared, was built on Lady Holme in Windermere, a short distance from Bowness, to the north west of the pier. Its situation was "wonderfully adapted to contemplation and retirement" (*N. & B. I*, p. 186).

²⁴ Anthony, Roland and William Dicsone in 1547.

Walter de Lindsay, lord of a moiety of the barony of Kendal (the Richmond Fee) from 1246 to 1271, was presumably the founder of the chapel as it owed its endowments to him: these were the island of "Seynt Marieholm" for a residence, two closes called "Frerefeld" and "Monkbergh" (on the mainland) yielding 20s. *p.a.*, a boat to carry wood and a boat for fishing, rights to collect wood for building and fuel, common pasture at Applethwaite and a rent or pension of £6. 13s. 4d. *p.a.* The chapel was given to the Scottish house of Segden — a thirteenth century hospital of the Augustinian order near Berwick-on-Tweed — and was occupied by two chaplains (Austin canons?) of that order (*Cal. Miscellaneous Inquisitions* II, no. 1878, & III, no. 167).

This Scottish connection was broken as a consequence of the Anglo-Scottish wars and appointments to the chapel were then made by the patron. In 1334, when the patron's lands were held by the Crown, Edward III granted the chapel, described as a hospital, to a royal clerk (*CPR. 1330-1334*, p. 524). The benefice was referred to as a chantry in inquisitions in 1344 and 1354; in the latter it was reported that the last chaplain had died in 1349 and the revenues were being paid to the king, who should appoint one chaplain, or two if the income sufficed (*Misc. Inquisitions* as above). The chantry was still vacant in 1361-65 (Ministers' Accounts, bundle 1118, no. 5) and it may have remained so until 1412. John, duke of Bedford, as lord of the Richmond Fee, then granted "the chantry or free chapel of Saint Mariholme" with the rent and other property to William Biggings, clerk. After Biggings' death, the chapel was granted to a clerk of the signet by Henry VI, in 1453 (*CPR. 1436-1441*, p. 345, & *1452-1461*, p. 39). It would seem, therefore, that the chapel had been rescued from threatened extinction in order to provide a stipend for a civil servant, who doubtless regarded it as a sinecure and may not even have appointed a deputy as the nature of the chaplain's duties and the status of the chapel had long since been forgotten.

The last chaplain, William Montfort, took considerable pains to secure a good title to the chapel. It was first granted to him by letters patent in 1510, but he had these reissued in another form on 8 March 1511, and on 24 March secured a third form of grant which set out his emoluments (*Letters and Papers, Henry VIII*, Vol. I, Part I, nos. 563(17) & 731(13 & 16)). At the suppression of the chantries, he was granted a pension of £6 *p.a.* and the property was sold to Thomas Sidney of Walsingham and Nicholas Halswell of Goudhurst in 1553 (*CPR. 1553-1554*, p. 56).]

HEVERSHAM

Havershame

Memorandum Edwyn Sandes, vicare of Haversham, James Hall, John Wilson, Richerd Atkynson and Wa[1]ter Preston,

churchwardens, fyndethe that ther is a chaunterie in the parishe churche of Hevershame foundet by one Myles Bryges of Cros-twhaite within thesaid parishe, decessed, whiche did gyf a hundrethe pounde to purchase a chaunterie to fynde a preiste to praye for his sowle and his elders, and to helpe to maynteyne the service of God, as appearythe by will of thesaid Myles Briges, the copie wherof is lyverid, and a copie of a dede conserninge thesame. And allso the said Miles Bryges dyd gyf xiiij li. vj s. viij d. more to thesaid chaunterie to mende it withall, and to caua a obbet to be done yerlie for his soule.

Nota fyve merkes in tenour of Richerd Tolley in Yorkshire besydes Ledes at a place called Glede.

[The chantry was founded in accordance with the will of Miles Bridges, dated 1517 and proved in 1520. The priest was to say "masse every Friday of the fyve wondes of Our Lorde" and to observe all services on Sundays and double feasts. The presentation was to remain in the founder's family (CW2 xxv 74). The north chapel of Heversham church has been attributed to this period (*RCHM Westmorland*, p. 109).

No record has been found of the Crown disposing of any chantry property or granting a pension to a chaplain. As no chaplain is named in this certificate it appears that the chantry was vacant. It is not mentioned in the survey of 1547.]

KENDAL

Kendall

Memorandum that the churchwardens of Kendall presenteth that ther was a foundation of a hous and certayn londe called Spyttell of the yerlie value of xj li. x s. iij d., as appereth by the rental therof maid.

Robert Karliolen
Thomas Whartton
John Lowther
Edwarde Edgore

[These signatures of the four commissioners conclude the survey of 1546.

The location of St. Leonard's hospital is still recorded in the name Spital, a farmhouse at Scalthwaiterigg, one mile north east of Kendal on the road to Appleby. The earliest reference to the hospital is in a charter of William de Lancaster belonging to the period 1222-46 (*Kendale* I, 6). On his deathbed, on 30 April 1247, William granted the advowson of the hospital to the prior of Conishead, who was present. A charter was prepared but the seal was broken, as William's death was expected. According to an alleged copy of the charter produced nearly 250 years

later (see below) the hospital had to support three lepers and also two chaplains celebrating for the souls of William, his wife, their ancestors and successors, under the direction of a warden appointed by the prior. Thus the priory's title was based solely on direct gift (*Cal. Inquisitions post mortem*, Vol. I, no. 114).

In view of the uncertainty concerning William de Lancaster's gift, it is not surprising that his successors in the Marquis Fee, the Roos' and Parrs, continued to claim the patronage, and down to 1408 it was stated in inquisitions taken after their deaths that they were seised of the advowson. In 1310, the living was valued at £8. 13s. 4d. *p.a.* and this revenue, it was thought, should have supported a master, two chaplains and four lepers. Conishead made attempts to recover the patronage. In 1278, an assize was unsuccessfully sued against Margaret Roos. When the Roos lands were in his hands in 1316, the king granted the hospital to a royal clerk. In 1319, the same king confirmed William de Lancaster's gifts to Conishead, including the patronage of the Spital (*Monasticon*, Record Commission edition, Vol. VI, pp. 556-557), but nine years later the royal nominee was also confirmed in his possession.

Another secular clerk, a deacon aged nineteen, received the hospital in 1427, with a papal dispensation because he was not in priest's orders, as the foundation required. At length, in 1430, the prior of Conishead recovered the hospital and its lands at Scalthwaiterigg in an assize of *novel disseisin* against Thomas Parr, and in 1440 Parr surrendered his claims. This, however, did not deter Richard III from making a presentation when he was holding the Parr estates (*Kendale I*, pp. 176-181).

Towards the end of the fifteenth century, Conishead drew up a roll of its proofs, "furst sure evidence sealed and not suspected, and also copies of relesses"; these were charters of William de Lancaster and Agnes his widow, confirmations by Pope Gregory (X ?) and Edward II, Thomas Parr's quitclaim, a royal *inspeximus* of the assize in 1430, and — latest of all — a confirmation of the original charter by Lady Margaret Beaufort, countess of Richmond, in 1486 (Duchy of Lancaster Miscellanea, bundle 3, no. 30). It seems strange that if Conishead had held Lancaster's charter all along its title should ever have been seriously contested. Doubts about its authenticity are increased when it is recalled that it was said in 1247 that the seal had been deliberately broken. This appears to be another case of a monastic forgery made to give a written title to a gift lacking such authentication.

Conishead had the benefit of its long-delayed victory for a very short span. William Harrington, a canon of the priory, was in possession of the "Spetyll" and a revenue of £6. 13s. 4d. in 1524 (Exchequer T.R. Misc. Book 149, p. 34). He was still there in 1537, when he drew up a rental, claiming from the income an annual allowance of 100s. for the support of a chaplain and three lepers when there were any in the district.

Harrington presumably received a pension as an ex-canon of Conishead on the priory's dissolution in 1537, and the hospital's property was bought by Alan Bellingham and Alan Wilson in 1546 (*Kendale* I, p. 71-72, 182). The hospital had, in fact, been suppressed before the 1546 chantry survey; it was not mentioned in the survey of 1547.]

The following certificates are from the survey of 1547.

KENDAL

[m. 7]

The stipendarie at thalter of Jesus in the parishe church aforesaid.

Off the foundation of Mathewe Phillipson, William and Rowlande Philipson, to fynde a priest for ever the celebrate there.

Richard Becke of thage of lx yeres, incumbent there, hath the clere yerelye revenue of the same for his sallarie .. xx s.

The landes and tenementes belonging to the same be of the clere yerelye value of xx s.

[Goods] None.

[The property is listed in the rental of the same year: Thomas Seyle, a burgage in "Brauthwate Browe", 13s. 4d. *p.a.*; James Tayler, Rowland Robynson and John Jackson, another burgage there, 13s. 4d.; John Nichelson, wiredrawer, another burgage there (but a marginal note reads "in the suburb"), 20s.; — Hoggeson, a burgage, 2s. 8d.; Nicholas Warryner, a burgage, 3s. 4d.; Roger Atkynson, a burgage (noted to be copyhold), 6s. 8d. (Total £2. 19s. 4d. *p.a.*, less unknown charges. The Crown's receiver accounted for receipts of £1. 19s. 4d. in 1546-47.)

Richard Beck had a stipend of 40s. *p.a.* as a chaplain in Kendal church in 1524 (*Exchequer T.R. Misc. Book 149*, p. 32). At the suppression, he was granted a pension of 20s. He died in Kendal on 10 February 1550 (*Various Accounts 76*, no. 22). Ward and Venables acquired the property (see above under the guild).]

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The stipend or fre grammer schole there.

Off the foundation of Adam Pennyngton by his laste will and testament, for ^{xx} xviiij yers to kepe a fre grammer schole in ⁱⁱⁱ Kendall and to celebrate and praye for the soulle of the founder, and further willed by the same will that the same shulde continue for ever if the lawe wolde permytte, which schole is kept and observed accordinglie.

Adam Shepherde, bachelor in dyvynite, a preacher and schole-
master there, hath the clere yerely revenue of the same be of the
his salarie x li.

The landes and tenementes belonging to the same be of the
yerely value of xv li.

Whereof in reprises v li.

And so remayneth clere by yere x li.

[Goods] None.

[Adam Pennington was presumably a native of the nearby parish of that name who appears to have made his fortune as a merchant at Boston, Lincolnshire. His will is quoted in the inquisition taken in Boston after his death on 24 March 1526. He wished to be buried in Boston and made many bequests to a guild and other services there. He stipulated that the feoffees in his lands in Lincolnshire should pay £10 *p.a.* to a schoolmaster "to teche a free scole to all that commys in the towne of Kendall, wher a place is or may be most conveyente fore ytt". The master was also to sing and pray for the souls of the founder, his wife and parents (Inquisitions *post mortem*, Henry VIII, Vol. 45, no. 6).

Adam Shepherd was the nephew of the founder of St. Anthony's chantry (*Kendale* III, p. 108). He also held the chantry of St. Mary and received a pension on its suppression, when he was 50 years old. The school continued: the Crown paid the stipend of £10 from the lands in Lincolnshire to Shepherd, and then to his successor, Stephen Wilson, who is first noticed in 1552 (Various Accounts 76, no. 22). If he was the only Stephen Wilson living in Kendal at that time, he had died by 1577, leaving a widow (*Kendale* I, p. 95). The master's income was augmented in 1582 (see St. William's chantry). The schoolmaster in that year was William Ingall (Ministers' Accounts, Elizabeth, no. 2335).]