

NOTES.

[Under this heading the Editor will be pleased to insert notes and short articles relative to discoveries and other matters of interest to the history and archaeology of the County. All communications intended for this section should be addressed to the Castle Arch, Guildford.]

I

JOHN PERIOR THE CHARTER-WARDEN AND THE MANOR OF ASHURST IN GODALMING. [S. A. C., VOLS. XXI AND XXII.]

The conjectured descent of the moieties of the Ashurst Manor, from the 15th century Edward Brooker to the respective families of Perior and Hyberden or Hyblen, is supported by the discovery of an attested copy¹ of the two deeds, respectively dated 1556 and 1584, of which some details are printed below.

In the paper published in Vol. XXI, reference is made to a Chancery suit² brought c. 1493—1500 by Mr. Brooker's daughters, and their respective husbands John Hyberden, David Lloyd, and John Peryer, against his widow Agnes and her then husband John Awdymer; and the records of the suit state that the deceased had been seized of 3 messuages and 120 acres of land in Kingston-upon-Thames, which Mrs. Awdymer held in dower.

The history of these messuages, etc., cannot be traced for the purpose of proving their identity with all or any part of the properties dealt with in 1556 or 1584; but the Deed of 1584 proves clearly that, just as John Perior, the Charter Warden, and his son William, successively held a moiety of the Ashurst Manor, formerly Edward Brooker's, so, in some way or other, they became entitled to moieties of lands at Kingston-on-Thames, etc., including a significantive Brookers' close.

The Deed of 1556 shows that part or the whole of the messuages, lands, etc., in Kingston and Wyck, held by Richard Lewkenor, had been obtained from a member of the family of Hibden.³

¹ Now in the possession of the Godalming Corporation.

² Vol. XXI, Page 113, Note ³.

³ *Ex dono et concessione Romani Hibden.* The word "*Romani*" is perhaps a mis-copy.

With regard to the family of this name, in its various forms, it may be added that the Land Revenue version¹ of the Godalming Survey of *circ.* 1548, is apparently in error, in describing the close called the Buryes with the adjoining waste [1 acre in all] as, at one time² partly bounded by the land of THOMAS Hiberden on the East. Another version of the Survey³ and some independent evidence⁴ give the name of JOHN Hiberden; and it was, no doubt, this John or a successor of the same name, to whom reference was made by John Eliot in his Will [1550], whereby he devised, to his younger son John Eliot, the lands, rents, etc., which he had late bought of John Huberden.⁵

[*Deed: 6 May 1551.*]

OMNIBUS CHRISTI FIDELIBUS . . . Richardus Lewknor de Trotton in Comitatu Sussex' armiger salutem . . . Sciatis me prefatum Ricardum Dedisse . . . et hoc presenti scripto meo Confirmasse Thome Hechest et Johanni Motchat Tota Illa messuagia terras et tenementa prata pascuas et pasturas cum pertinenciis in Kingeston super Thames in Comitatu Surr' ac in Wyek in Comitatu Middlesex' (Exceptis et reservatis mihi prefato Ricardo et heredibus meis iij messuagiis iij Gardinis sive pomariis ac una parva clausa terre continenti per estimacionem dimidiam aeram terre scituatam et existentem in Wood streete in Kingeston predicta Quequidem terre tenementa ac cetera omnia premissa cum suis pertinenciis nuper habui et perquisivi ex dono et concessione Romani Hibden et que nuper fuerunt in tenura dicti Hechest Georgii Snelling Willelmi Browne et Thome Elmer vel assignatorum suorum Habenda . . . prefatis Thome et Johanni . . . ad proprium opus . . . ipsorum Thome et Johannis heredum et assignatorum . . . imperpetuum . . . Et INSUPER sciatis me prefatum Ricardum Lewknor per presentes Constituisse ordinasse et in loco meo posuisse dilectum mihi in Christo Andream Norman meum verum et legitimum Attornatum ad intranda . . . ac . . . eam [*sic*] prefatis Thome et Johanni deliberanda . . . IN CUJUS Rei testimonium . . . Datum sexto die Maij Annis Regnorum Phillippi et Marie dei gratia Anglie Hispanie . . . Regis et Regine fidei Defensorum . . . Secundo et Tercio . . . Richard Lewknor . . . Possessio . . . erat deliberata . . . die . . . ut infra scriptum in presencia Johannis Jennen Willelmi Mateson et Thome Lydgold Constabularii Ville de Kingeston' Richardi Goodcheild, Johannis Sepham Johannis Bignoll Henrici Water Lyngton [*sic*] et Martini Jamys.

¹ Vol. XXI, Page 114, Note ³.

² *Circ.* 1516-17.

³ Record Office, Exch. T. R., Miscell. Bks., 169.

⁴ Losely MSS.

⁵ Vol. XXI, Page 123.

[*Deed*: 1 June 1584.]

OMNIBUS CHRISTI FIDELIBUS ad quos . . . Johannes Perryer de Goddahnynge in Comitatu Surr' Clothier et Willelmus Perryer de Goddalmynge predicta . . . Clothier fillius [*sic*] et heres predicti Johannis salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis nos prefatos Johannem Perryer et Willelmum Perryer . . . in consideracione Cujusdam Competentis summe bone et legalis monete Anglie nobis per quendam Thomam Hutehest de Kingeston super Thames in dicto Comitatu Surr' yoman . . . DEDISSE . . . prefato Thome Hutehest heredibus et assignatis suis imperpetuum Totam illam medietatem sive dimidiam partem nostram unius messuagii sive Tenementi ac omnium Domorum edificiorum Cellariorum sollarum Shopparum unius gardini . . . in Kingeston super Thames predicta . . . in vico ibidem vocato Westbythames streat ad australem finem ejusdam pontis vocati Clatteringbridge inter terram pertinentem libere Schole Gramaticae de Kingeston super Thames predicta in tenura Willelmi Sakerl ex parte Boreali parvam venellam Ducentem usque Rivolum Thames ex parte australi Regiam viam ibidem ex parte orientali et terram pertinentem diete libere Schole Gramaticae . . . in tenura Johannis Rowle alias Stanton ex parte occidentali Ac totam medietatem sive dimidiam partem nostram unius horrei et unius wharfi cum pertinentiis . . . in Kingeston super Thames predicta inter terram Roberti Chelsham et Johannis Gilpyn ex parte Boreali terram Willelmi Sakerl ex parte australi Communi venellam ex parte orientali et Regiam viam ex parte occidentali Ac eciam Totam medietatem sive dimidiam partem nostram viginti et Duarum acrarum terre arabilis . . . in Campis de Kingeston super Thames predicta Ac octo acrarum prati . . . in Kingeston' predicta apud quendam locum ibidem vocatum Le Buttes Et unius aere prati . . . in Campo vocato Le Mershe feilde in Kingeston predicta vocate Gooseacre Ac unius Clause pasture cum pertinentiis Continentis quatuor acras . . . in Kingeston predicta vocate Brookers Close Et unius alius Clause pasture cum pertinentiis continentis per estimacionem quatuor acras . . . in superiore parte de Surpeton in parochia de Kingeston predicta Et unius parcelle terre vocate an Eight cum pertinentiis Continentis unam acram . . . in occidentali Campo de Kingeston predicta vocate Frogg Eight Et unius Coper Grove sive parcelle terre boscalis continentis per estimacionem sex acras et dimidiam . . . apud Hooke in in [*sic*] parochia de Kingeston predicta Necnon totam medietatem sive dimidiam partem nostram Trium acrarum prati et unius parve parcelle terre vocate an Eight Cum pertinentiis . . . in le Wick in parochia de Hampton super Thames in Comitatu Middlesex' ac omnium et singulorum boscorum subboscorum redditum . . . eidem medietati messuagii . . . spectaneium sive pertinencium Necnox omnia et singula alia messuagia sive Tenementa terras tenementa prata . . . nostra quaecumque scituata . . . in predictis parochiis de Kingeston super Thames in predicto Comitatu Surr' et Hampton super Thames in predicto Comitatu Middlesex' vel in earum altera . . . modo in tenura sive occupacione predicti Thome Hutehest vel

assignatorum suorum Ac reversionem HABENDA prefato
 Thome Hutchest heredibus et assignatis imperpetuum ad solum
 opus ipsius Thome Hutchest heredum imperpetuum
 Et ULTERIUS SCIATIS nos prefatos Johannem Perryer et
 Willelmum Constituisse Henricum Bowrer de Kingeston super
 Thames yoman et Thomam Creswell de eadem whelewright
 nostros veros Attornatos ad intranda Ad
 deliberanda Thome Hutchest aut ejus certo Attornato
 IN CUIUS REI TESTIMONIUM Datum primo die Junii
 anno Elizabethhe vicesimo sexto Anno Domini 1584
 By me John Peryer By me William Peryer Sealed signed
 in ye presence of Lawrence Ellyot Edward Hiehest Richard
 Bromley Plena possessio Capta et deliberata fuit
 de et in medietate messuagii et terrarum infrascriptorum in
 Kingeston' per infra nominatum Henricum Bowrer mun
 Attornatum quinto die Junii anno Elizabethhe
 vicesimo sexto ac eciam plena possessio capta
 fuit de et in medietate Trium acrarum prati et minus parve parcelle
 terre vocate an Eighte in le Wick in parochia de Hampton in
 Comitatu Middlesex' per Attornatum supradictum die et anno
 supradictis in presencia Johannis Cockes. signum Roberti
 Paltock signum Richardi Bonsey Richardi Bromley William Saker.

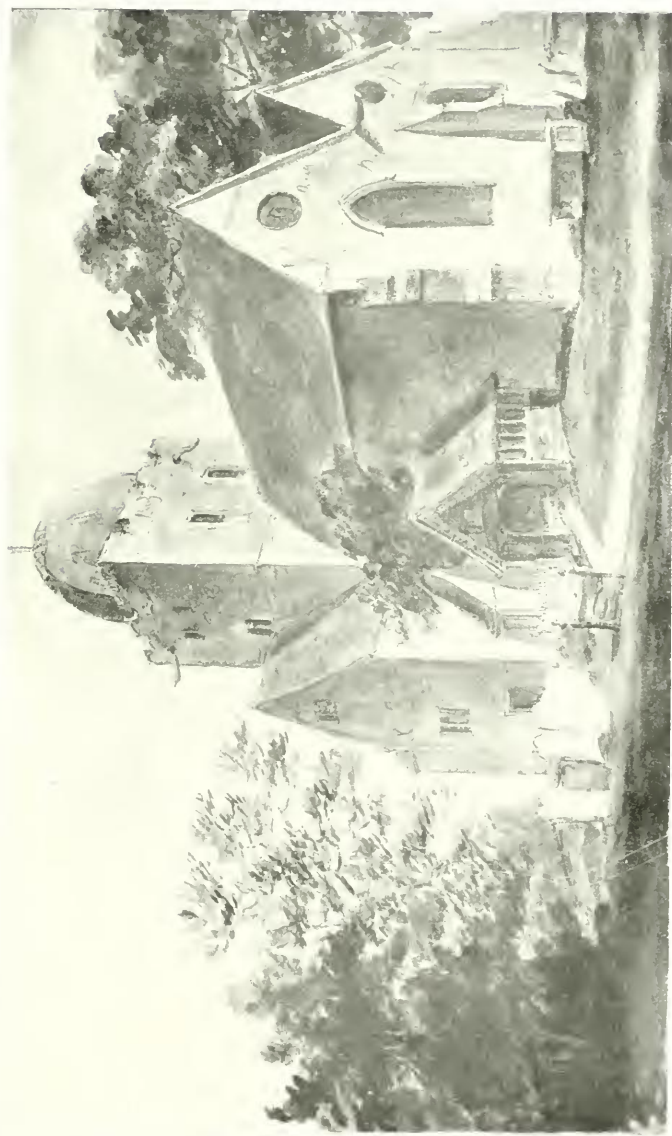
N.B.—The copies purport to have been examined, &c., by Edw. Fairebanck Notary and Joseph Fairebanck, servant to said notary: and the two original deeds, with other ancient writings concerning the premises, are stated to have been in the custody of John Price of Kingeston Yoman on the 24th October 1604.

PERCY WOODS.

II.

EARLY WATER-COLOUR VIEWS OF SURREY CHURCHES.

The Honorary Secretary has much pleasure in announcing to the members of the Society that the Council, at the instance of Mr. P. M. Johnston, F.S.A., recently decided to take advantage of the generous offer of Mr. Edgar Sharpe of Reigate, to allow his very interesting collection of early water-colour views of the churches, castles, etc., of Surrey, painted by Henry Petrie, F.S.A., between 1790 and 1808, to be photographed. Mr. Wm. Minet, F.S.A., having most kindly undertaken to share with the Society the initial cost, the Council has now secured a complete set of half-plate negatives of the entire series of 166 drawings: together with a set of velvet bromide prints which it is proposed to mount in albums alphabetically and to place in the Society's Library at Guildford for the use of members. The Council



ALBURY OLD CHURCH.
(From an early Water-colour Drawing.)

has also decided to offer to members the opportunity of purchasing copies of any one or more of these photographs at one shilling each, by application to the Honorary Secretary.

With the exception of Shere, every ancient church in Surrey is included in the series; and in addition there are valuable detailed views of Waverley and Newark Abbeys, Guildford and Farnham Castles, Croydon Palace and Loseley, and of the Free School and Abbot's Hospital at Guildford.

Some idea of the beauty and value of these drawings may be obtained from the accompanying reproduction of the view of Albury Old Church (lately inspected by the Society). It will be noticed that this view shows a transept-like erection forming a vestry and staircase to the tower, and perhaps dating from the 17th century: this has long since been pulled down.

III.

THE SOCIETY'S COLLECTION OF DEEDS.

The Society has recently become the richer by a gift from Lord Grantley of a collection of deeds, mainly dating from the 18th century, relating to Surrey. The deeds have reference for the most part to Guildford and (particularly) Woking; with a few other places in the Blackheath Hundred. The gift was suggested, after some researches made into the history of Guildford Grammar School, by a Member of the Society. To Messrs. Fladgate, Lord Grantley's solicitors, as well as to his Lordship, the cordial thanks of the Society are due.

The Honorary Secretary hopes to present in next year's volume a brief calendar of these deeds. In the meantime he would take the opportunity of impressing upon Members the great importance of this department of the Society's work. Local Repositories of Records do not, as yet, officially exist in England; nor is there any likelihood of their doing so in the immediate future. In the interval *there is no doubt that the Archaeological Society of the County is the proper Custodian of homeless or ill-housed Records of private property.* Nor, unfortunately, is there any doubt that the services of such a custodian are, very often, urgently needed. Under modern legal requirements for the proving of title old deeds have no practical use; and in numberless instances they have been and are now being destroyed, scattered, or allowed to rot as valueless lumber. In other cases the "pretty" ones are taken out to be given or sold to Museums or Collectors—an act historically as wrong as it could well be, for it destroys the value of the Collection as a series of evidences.

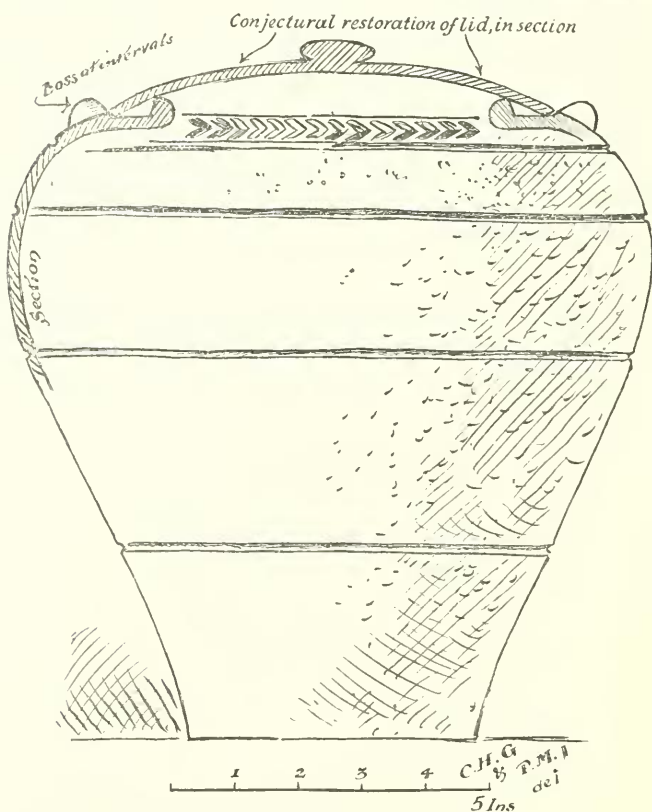
It cannot be too strongly represented that the Society's duty in such cases is a clear one, and that Members would do excellent work by helping, in any way, in the execution of this duty towards what will be for posterity most valuable and valued historical evidences—to say nothing of their worth to the present-day archæologist.

Other deeds already in the possession of the Society—of which also it is hoped to print a list—include a recent gift from Col. T. Wood, of Brecon, of deeds relating to property in Surrey formerly held by his ancestors, the family of Wood of Littleton, co. Middlesex. Of the gift of Dr. G. Williamson the Society has two deeds relating to the Bell Inn at Godstone (1660, 1669): of other deeds whose origin is not known some are noted in the *S. A. C.*, Vol. XVIII: while others relate to Cranley, Epsom, Lingfield and Morden, and to Ember Court Manor in Thames Ditton. There are also one or two copies. And finally there are at present at Guildford on loan some miscellaneous deeds relating to properties in the Hundreds of Godalming, Farnham, Woking, and Blackheath.

In conclusion, the Hon. Secretary would reiterate his remarks as to the combined necessity and possibility of acquiring for the Society, and so preserving, the very large numbers of unvalued and uncared-for deeds which might easily be found.

IV.

SEPULCHRAL POTTERY AT WARLINGHAM.

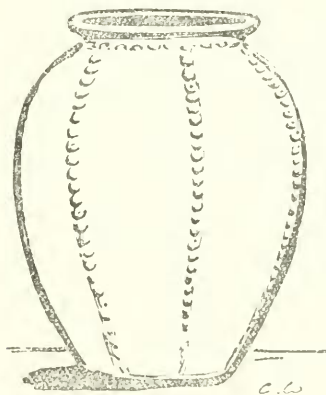


In the spring of 1909, while some ground was being trenched for garden purposes, pieces of pottery were met with, together with a few burnt bones. The site was about 200 ft. north of the Westerham road, and midway between the village and the Hare and Hounds. On piecing the fragments together the outline of a cinerary urn 10 ins. in diameter was obtained, the shoulder being decorated with a band of herring-bone pattern, with nobs at intervals on its upper margin. Some of the small pieces of bone proved to be human, and presumably were in the urn before it was destroyed. Further investigation brought to light the bases of other urns, varying in colour and size; but the plough had in all instances destroyed the tops. Mr. Reginald Smith, to whom they were submitted, pronounced them to belong to the first century of the Christian era. One urn recovered was so far complete that it was excavated without disturbing the contents. On examination the fragments of bone obtained proved them to be those of a child. It is proposed to preserve everything locally for future reference. I am indebted to Mr. P. M. Johnston for the illustration.

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V.

POTTERY FOUND AT BOXHILL.



The earthenware vase here illustrated was found in March 1910 at Boxhill. It was evidently not entire when found; but contained coins, none of which, unfortunately, could be recovered. It was found when the foundations for a house were being dug, in sandy soil, about four feet below the surface, near Pixham Lane by the north side of the main road from Dorking to Reigate. It is now in the Museum at Guildford.

C. E. SALMON.

VI.

THE STORING OF GUNPOWDER AT GUILDFORD.

The following extract from the *Losely Deeds* (the Owners of which have already laid the Society under so considerable an obligation) may prove interesting as a detail in the history of Guildford. The date of the document is perhaps significant in connection with the passing of the Castle into private hands.

C. H. J.

[*Losely Deeds. James I. No. 349.*]

30 July 17 James I. 53 Scotland [1619].

Sir Robert More & Sir Francis Vincent, K^t. two of the Deputy Lieutenants of Surr. and James Parson, Maior of the Towne of Guldeford Richard Burchall Thomas Parkehurst John Crane Thomas Tuesley Richard Forde & Thomas Newneham & other approved men of said Towne—

Sir Robert More & Sir Francis Vincent have caused to be delivered to said Mayor &c Three barrells of Gunpowder weighing with the Caskes after the rate of cxij to the hundred. Three hundred & sixe pounds. One barrell of Match weighing with the caske after that rate one hundred and one one [*sic*] half and nyne Pounds. and four barrells of bullettes of Leade to make muskett shott weighing after y^e same rate Foure hundred & twelve pounds— To be laide upp and safelie kepte in the Armorie Chamber over the east end of the Newe Markett house called the Rye markett house nere the church of the holy Trynitie in Guldeford aforesaid for the use of the said County and to be redely redelivered when that shal be required by the said Deputy Lieutenants or their successors for y^e service of his Matie which said Powder &c were provided and brought [*? bought*] by the said Sir Robert More at y^e charge of Thinhabit^{ts} of y^e West Division of the s^d County And the said Mayor &c agre(e) to keepe or cause to be kepte in the Chamber & markett house aforesaid said Powder &c.