

"Aotes and Queries"

RELATING TO BERKSHIRE.

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Aotes.

HURLEY CHURCH ESTATE.—I have lately got the following from London. The property now consists of four cottages, and the rent brings in twenty-one pounds a year clear, which, after the repairs of the Church for the current year have been defrayed, is placed in a Savings' Bank to accumulate.—F. T. WETHERED.

Charity Decrees and Inquisitions (Petty Bag, 3rd part, No. 17).

Commission by James I. dated 2 June, 6 James I., to the Bishop of Salisbury and others to inquire as to Charities in the County of Berks.

Inquisition taken at Wokingham 6 April, 7 James I. Concerning Hurley the jurors say inter alia:—

Also the said priors doe saye upon their oathes that there ys in Hurley in the said countye of Berkes one tente called the Church House buylt by the charges of the parishners upon a peece of grounde given by the prior and convent of the late dissolved monasterye there to certeine of the pishners of Hurley aforesaid as appereth by a deede bering date the xxth day of Marche in the nynth yere of the reigne of Kinge Henry the Seaventhe, the profittes whereof have been tyme out of minde imployed to the reparacons of the Church aforesaid untill of late one Willm Lovejoye beinge tenante thereunto refuseth to geve such rent for the same as the Churchwardens are offered by others whereby such benefitt is not made for the Churche as there ought to be.