

From brief notes in the various Visitation Books we gather the following items.

1684—18 July.

ASTON ABBOTS.—To buy a plate and a Common Prayer Book. There are loose leafes in the Bible.

GRANDBOROW.—To certify the repayre of the fence.

HORWOOD PARRA.—The Church to be whited and there wants a booke of Common Prayer, a Carpet to be bought and a pewter plate to be bought, and admonished to take down a brass or copper plate.

WINSLOW.—A Book of Common Prayer.

1669—21 April.

WINSLOW.—We “present that the defects in the pavements are already amended though the line allowed by the Court be not expired the windows also are amended and have much done to them already and shall be fully amended before the time allowed be expired. There is also some leade sunke this winter which the season of the year did not suit for the amendment of but now we have taken order about it and will have it repaired fully within those months.”

LITTLE HORWOOD.—We “present that there are some small defects in the leads and windows of our Church which we will amend before the next Visitation.”

1687.—28 April.

ASTON ABBOTS.—“Jonathan Marshall of Aston Abbots clerk of the said parish, Mr. Hitchcock owneth him to be his parish clerk.”

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WALTHAM ST. LAWRENCE.—What may prove to be a somewhat interesting discovery was made here recently, when some horses at plough broke into an old excavation in a field, where already many old Roman remains have been found. The entrance to the hole is about 2ft. 6 wide and descends for about 9ft., and here it opens out into two or three caves. I have arranged that it shall not be further disturbed until it can be properly opened and explored. I thought that you might like to know of the find. I am told that somewhat similar places have been found before on the same land. The crust through which the horse broke was only about 9 inches. It seems strange that it has stood for so long, as heavy machinery, to say nothing of ploughs and carts frequently have crossed the spot.—GREY NEVILLE.