BISHOP NICOLSON:

from the picture at Staffield Hall.
ART. I. Bishop Nicolson’s Diaries. By the Bishop of Barrow-in-Furness.

A NUMBER of unpublished diaries of Bishop Nicolson were in the possession of his descendant—the late Colonel Lindesay,* of Loughry, Co. Tyrone. These were kindly entrusted by him in 1888 and the following years to Bishop Harvey Goodwin and to his daughter (my wife) Mrs. H. Ware, with permission to publish them either in whole or in part. It had been Bishop Goodwin’s hope to have a considerable part of the MSS. printed and published in extenso. With that view, Mrs. Ware had them carefully copied under her own superintendence. But the later diaries did not appear to be as interesting as the earlier; the expense of publication would have been large; and thus, after Bishop Goodwin’s death in 1891, the plan was not carried out. It has, however, been thought desirable that some of the more interesting portions of the diaries should be made public. Hence this paper, which may possibly be continued in a future volume of the Transactions. We hope eventually to place the transcripts in some public library, where they may be consulted by any persons interested.

The leading facts of Bishop Nicolson’s life are well known, but it may be convenient here to remind the reader of a few points which will help to the better understanding of the diaries. For the greater part of the pedigree annexed to this paper, and for much other information and help, I am indebted to the late Chancellor Ferguson. William Nicolson, son of the Rev. Joseph

*John Lindesay, of Loughry, married in 1743 Elizabeth, third daughter of the Rev. Bellingham Mauleverer, Rector of Maghera, Co. Derry (sixth son of Timothy Mauleverer, of Arucliffe Hall, Yorkshire), by Elizabeth, third daughter of Bishop Nicolson. He had come to Ireland as chaplain to the Bishop.
Nicolson, * rector of Plumblad, by his wife Mary, daughter of John Briscoe, of Crofton, was born June 3rd, 1655, was educated at Dovenby School, and was matriculated at Queen’s College, Oxford, in 1670. In 1678 he spent some time at Leipzig at the expense of Sir Joseph Williamson † to learn German, in which language many entries in his earlier diaries are written, especially (as will be seen) those which he did not wish to be easily read by persons around him. In 1679 he was elected Fellow of his College, and ordained Deacon. On November 17th, 1681, he was collated by Bishop Rainbow (who had made him his chaplain) to the first prebend in Carlisle Cathedral and the vicarage of Torpenhow (which he held till 1698, when he exchanged it for Addingham); and on October 3rd, 1682, he was collated to the Archdeaconry of Carlisle, to which was annexed the rectory of Great Salkeld. All this was before he had left Oxford, for the following note is found in the first volume of the diaries:—“Qu. Why I am reckoned 15s. for Battails in ye vac. 1683, when I left ye Coll. half a year before.” On June 3rd, 1686, he was married to Elizabeth, youngest daughter of John Archer, Esq., ‡ of Oxenholme, near Kendal. She seems to have made him a good wife, and he was evidently much attached to her; though the sympathies of the reader will perhaps be more drawn towards the “B. C.,” so often mentioned in the first volume of the diaries. The Bishop’s wife died November 16th, 1712; and he never made another marriage, though he came once or twice to the verge of it, as the later diaries will show in a rather amusing manner. He was consecrated Bishop of Carlisle

* He had been ejected by Cromwell’s Commissioners, and was restored in 1660. During the usurpation he lived at Parkbroom, in the Parish of Stanwix, which he had inherited from his mother, Radigunda Scott.

† See the Le Fleming papers, printed by the Historical MSS. Commission, p. 163.

‡ Her brother, John Archer, M.D., of Oxenholme, was Mayor of Kendal in 1707. He married Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Sir William Pennington, of Muncaster. She married secondly Thomas Strickland, Esq., of Sizergh.
on June 14th, 1702;* was translated to the Bishopric of Derry in 1718, and to the Archbishopric of Cashel in 1724; but died on February 14th of that year before taking possession of his new see.

These MSS. give the impression of a man of immense bodily and mental activity. There is little reference to parochial work, but history, archaeology, and botany all claimed his attention. He was constantly moving about, and it will be seen that in his earlier life he must almost have lived on the saddle.

The first part of the diaries, extending from January 1st, 1684, to July 10th, 1685, appears to be of sufficient local interest to merit printing in full. It is contained in a book 7\(\frac{3}{4}\) inches long and 3 inches broad, bound in white skin. The volume begins with a number of miscellaneous memoranda of different dates:—“Combination of Preachers at ye Cathedral in Carlisle” for a year; a list of “Anglo-Saxon Homilies;” a list of “Books frō Torpenhow Feb. 20, 1686;” “Goods from Oxenholm June 20, 1686” (shortly after his marriage); “Books in my Father’s study, Apr. 20, 1686” (the day of his Father’s death); a list of his wife’s papers (deeds, bills, etc.), written partly in German, partly English in Greek characters; “Books frō Oxenholm;” memoranda as to accounts in 1685 and 1686; list of books lent at Oxford; accounts with his pupils at Oxford 1681 and 1682. Then follow “Observata Cantabrigiæ 22º & 23º Feb, 1685.” He had then just left Oxford, and was on his way between London and York. He records his impressions of the Colleges at Cambridge at considerable length—partly in Latin, partly in German—and mentions people whom he met there, including “Mr. Newton.” He arrived at Rose Castle, March 3rd, 1685.

Then follows a list of presents received August, 1686, shortly after his marriage. It would appear from this list

* His preferment is said to have been due to the influence of the Musgrave family.
Evening, B. 11. Rev. F. at first a letter from M. Salked, 
and a paper of Reasons why he cannot take y. Oath.

13. Tuesday. m. Will B. Rees
and M. B. in y Coach, to
Carlisle: where y. Sheriff
return'd Mr. Curwen and
Mr. Salked ran in y. Carriage
Mr. Sketcher, M. Fletcher
and Lancelot Garth
appeared, but refused to
take y. Oath. Mr. Curwen
having treated me very ill.
I spoke my Resentments
as freely; that I neither
Envy'd nor feared him.

After Dinner to Mr. Carlile

A from y. Recorder Capt.
Daleby (as warm as any
body on M. C. ) Mr. Watson
and Dr. Law, Home by
Mr. Walker, Mr. C. to

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14. 15. Wednesday and Thursday.

At y law Court at Carlile; where
a somet greater Appearance
than on Tuesday. Amongst
others, Mr. G. Lawson was le
my Former day; But ex-
plef'd no Dislike of our
proceedings as y papists, he
he had threatened to do it
openly. Instead of that, he
brought Assurance from
Mr. Curwen, that he had
never treated me ill; but, if
any thing like a Disrespect
had escaped him, he was ready
to beg Pardon. On Thursday -
-morning the Certificate of
y Name of all that had re-
fused the Oaths were given
in by Clerk of y Peace; and,
after Dinner Mr. Rea Asking
Mr. Gilpin & J. Drew up Minute
for a Representation of our

BP. Nicolson's MS.
that wedding presents were then of a very useful character—bottles of wine, malt, sugar loaves, chickens, capons, geese, etc. The Bishop gave "a boll* of wheat, a q' of beef, 10 bottles of wine, and 3 sugar loaves;" Sir Geo. Fletcher gave half a buck.

It will be noticed that many of the entries mentioned above are of a date subsequent to that of the diary. It is probable that the writer had left blank pages for memoranda at the beginning of the volume, and filled them up as occasion arose.

We now come to the diary itself, which commences with January 1st, 1684. The spelling is preserved.

1684.


10. Bin ich zu Kirk-Oswald. The Quire, wholly Ruin'd, will be undertaken for ye Lead (valu'd at betwixt 30 & 40 lb) ye Timber in ye Churchyard and 15 lb. verzehrt is. Letters sent by the post to—Mr. Todd, Mr. Lane, Mr. Cruttenden & Sr Pagett. For these and other things at Penrith paid 3s.

* Probably a boll or bole. "Bole, a measure of corn, containing six bushels." (Johnson's Dictionary.)

† A manor in the Parish of Plumland, then the residence of the Dykes family. The hall is now in ruins.

† John Ponsonby, of Hail, was eldest son of Sir John Ponsonby by Dorothy, daughter of John Brisco, of Crofton, and thus first cousin to Bishop Nicolson.
Jan. 12. For Pease &c. 5s Propositæ (apud me) notæ in Liturgia Canones et Articulos Eccl. Anglicæ puta, interfoliatae.


Zu Abend bin ich nach Rose commen; woselbst der H. Bp. sehr höflich gewest und von der Frau B. gesagt. I see ye many Inconviences yt attend it on both sides; am very well satisfy'd yt it should be broke of, without any unkindness on either side.


16. Sind wir zu Cockermoth in deren Sesstionen gewesen und aufm Abend nach Hail verreiset.


18. Mit deren H. Ponsonby und Stanley nach Cawder; dernach aber (in der Nacht) zurück nach Plumbland verkehrte.


Sir George Fletcher, Bart., of Hutton-in-the-Forest, M.P. for Cumberland for nearly forty years. He had succeeded to the baronetcy on the death of his father, Sir Henry Fletcher, killed at Rowton in 1645.

Edward Rainbow, Bishop of Carlisle 1664 to 1684.

The "B. C." often mentioned later.

The Chancellor was Thomas Tulie, M.A., installed prebendary of the third stall October 14th, 1684; Vicar of Crosthwaite, 1710; Dean of Carlisle, 1716-1726.

"B. C." was Barbara Copley, daughter of Robert Copley, of Gosforth.

Mr. Robert Copley, steward to Sir William Pennington for seventeen years during his minority, and chief bailiff of Copeland Forest to the then Earl of Northumberland, purchased Kirkby's part [of the Manor of Gosforth], and built a large handsome house, with orchards and gardens suitable, but they are now [1777] in much decay."—Nicolson & Burn. B. C.'s sister Ann was married to John Ponsonby, of Hail; her brothers William and John are also mentioned in the Diary. For the will of her brother John Copley, of Hawkshead Hall, who died 1697, see the C. & W. Transactions, vol. xi.

"For "Cousin J. N., of Penrith," see note on the Bishop's pedigree.

†† Henry Aglionby, younger brother of the Recorder, was Vicar of Addingham 1674-1697; Rector of Bowness, 1691-1697.
Jan. 27. Zu C. geprediget.
" 30. Wieder zu C. geprediget fur H. Ardrey.*
" Aufm Abend nach Rose. woselbst der H. Bischoff ist wunderlich wieder
dem Junkern Nichols erstanden. gegeben 2s.
" 31. Aufm Abend nach Caldbeck. Der H. Savage† hat eine
Capitol aufm 7th Feb. assignirt. gegeben 2s.

Feb. 1. Nach Plumland zu hat der H. Fatter etwas von der Frau
B. aber nicht viel.

There is a gap in the diary from February 1st to March
25th. In this space are inserted "Presents Sep. 1686,"
of the same character as those mentioned above.

1684.

Mar. 25. Gegeben zu Caldbeck 2s. über nacht bin ich zu Plumland.
"26. Morgen's früh beym H. R. Musgrave‡ zu Hayton: mittag
wieder nach Rose. Der H. Bischoff ware sehr krank und
unerühe um trey habe ich bey ihm gebetet; und in der
nacht (zwischen 11. und 12.) ist er gesterben.
" 27. Nach Carlile. Unde Literas dedi Dnn L. Jenkins, J.
Exōn. Absonderlich von der Morte Dni Epi. Gegeben zu
Rose 1s. For two Hats at Carlile 11d 7s. For a Bridle
2s 6d. Verzehrt 2s.
zu Caldbeck: und aufm Abend zu Plumland.
" 31. Zu Cockermoth verz (for mourning) ümb 3lb.

Apr. 1. Morgens frühe nach Rose. Woselbst wieder sehr unhöflich
tractirt beym frenen Hasell§ und Thomlinson. für ein

* John Ardrey, B.D., Prebendary of Carlisle (third stall); Rector of Musgrave,
1671-1684; Vicar of Kirkland, 1681-1684.
† Arthur Savage was ejected from the Rectory of Brougham by Cromwell's
Commissioners, but restored three years afterwards, and held Brougham till
1664. He became Prebendary of Carlisle (second stall) 1660, and Vicar of Cald-
beck 1663. He was at this time Vice-Dean. He died 1700.
‡ Either Sir Richard Musgrave, Bart., of Hayton, who died 1710; or his eldest
son Richard, M.P. for Cumberland 1702-1707. The Musgraves of Hayton were
a younger branch of the Edenhall family.
§ Sir Edward Hasell, of Dalemain (not knighted till 1669), had married Jane,
eldest daughter of Sir Timothy Fetherstonhaugh. Sir E. Hasell's mother was
Martha Smith (or Smythe), daughter of Dr. Henry Smith (Master of Magdalen
College, Cambridge) and sister of Elizabeth, wife of Bishop Rainbow. Thus
Mrs. Hasell was Bishop Rainbow's niece by marriage. She had no children;
the Hasell family, still of Dalemain, are descended from Sir E. Hasell's second
wife Dorothy (eldest daughter of W. Williams, of Johnby Hall), of whom frequent
mention is made in the later diaries. Robert Thomlinson of the Gill, near
Dalston, was a tenant of the Bishop of Carlisle. His note-book is printed in the
Gatesgill Chronicle, 1885, by Miss Kuper. See also the article on the "Dalston
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Apr. 2. habe ich gespeiset zu Hutton. Ubi plurima a Dno. G. Fletcher de phænomenis quibus-dā mathematicis (Summo cm Acumine) sunt ventilata. Nach Salkeld,


Inter calceos (zetate tantum venerabiles) cothurnū habuit fabricæ satis nitidæ. Cætera sordes sent, & Antiquarii oculū vix merentur.

Wieder nach Salkeld; verz. zu Penrith, 1st 6d.

5. Nach Carlile. Waited upon Mr. Dean i. & his Lady; newly return'd frō Durham.

6. Geprediget zu Carlile über 2 Chron. 29.27.

The first time ye new organ§ was play'd on: being highly approv'd on by Mr Griggs & Mr Palmer, y* organists of Newcastle & Durhā.


Memorand. Lent (Apr. 11) to Mr. Ch. 2lb verz. 2lb.

* Jeremy Nelson, Prebendary of Carlisle (fourth stall), 1667-1685; Vicar of Stanwix, 1667-1685. William Graham, D.D., fourth son of Sir George Graham of Esk, was Rector of Kirkandrews-on-Esk, 1682-1685; Prebendary of Durham; Dean of Carlisle, 1685; Dean of Wells, 1704; Clerk of the Closet and Chaplain to Queen Anne. He died 1712.
† Thomas Machell, M.A., Fellow of Queen’s College, Oxford; Rector of Kirkby Thore, 1677-1699; well known as an antiquary.
† Thomas Smith, Prebendary of Carlisle, 1660; Dean of Carlisle, 1671; he succeeded Rainbow as Bishop. He had married the widow of Sir Henry Fletcher of Hutton. See note on March 16th, 1684.
§ The Records of the Dean and Chapter contain a statement that Dr. Thomas Smith, “late Dean of Carlisle and now Bishop of the Diocese did give to the church the organ which cost him about £200. The old organ was given by the D. and C. to the said Lord Bishopp, and he freely bestowed it upon the Corporation of Appleby, for the use of that church.”
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17. Im Collegio zu Crawder. Revertentes viel haben wir tractirt von der vormeldten Fraw; u dabey resolvirt dasz alles rechte gesehen würde.

18. Uber Mittag nach Plumland.
21. By Hutton, Barron-wood & Armthwait to Carlile. Dr. Smith pleas'd to proffer me a patent for an Honorary Chaplain; and ye preaching of his Consecration sermon.

22. Chapter begun. Boy sent to Hail wth ye 2 volumes of Atlas; u dabey zwey brieffen dem H. Ponsonby u seinen swestern B.


30. sind bey mir gespeiset der H. West, Morland u Hume. über mittag nach Penrith. summon'd to meet ye next day at Carlile; upon ye Congé D'Ellire.

May 1. Nach Carlile.

2. The Congé & King's Letter read before ye Dean & a full Chapter; & ye time for Election (betwixt 8 & 11 in ye forenoon ye next day) pitch'd upon.

3. After prayers & Te Deum, ye Gentry & Clergy in ye Church accompany'd us into ye Chapter-House where ye Congé was read openly: but ye Kg's Letter detain'd by Vice-Dean & Mr. Nelson. After ye votes were pass'd, W. N. sent (in ye name of ye Vice-Dean & Ch) to acquaint my Ld Elect wth ye had pass'd & to beg his assent. Upon wch ye election declar'd; Bells rung, &c.


5. Certificats of ye Election sent to ye King & Archbp. To ye latter by Mr. Ch. one of ye Proctors.

6. My Lord Elect came to view Rose where (at four in ye
Afternoon) I read prayers to His Ldsp &c. in the Chappell. Nach plumland.


,, 10. Sind wir am Morg. gewesen zu Allonby.


,, 12. To ye Chapter at Carlile—which continued all yt week. Recd in Fines—3841b 6s 8d. For 31 Seals 201b 13s 4d.

,, Whitsunday. Din’d wth my Ld at Carlile: über Abend nach Plumland.

,, 20. On Sciddaw wth 2 Fletchers, Crisp, Dykes &c. der H. Eglesfield u D. Larkhá etwas Whiggisch discurrirt haben von parliamenten. Mr. Egl. acquainted me yt His Saltpans at Canonby were worth 401 per Annu.; & yt Himself had often proffer’d to farm yt wthout Coal.


,, 27. Nach Salkeld.


,, 31. Habe ich (aufm 31St) erstlich discurrirt mit der Fraw B.C.

June 1. Geprediget zu Hail zwey mahl.


,, 15. An express from my Lord, wth orders to wait on His Lords, at Durham ye Saturday following.

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gesprochen. Logirt zu Corbridge: fast auff die Deütsch Manier.


23. Din’d at Dr. Brevint’s Residence. Die Historie vom Swage Skelton † seine lesung im Cathedral zu Lincoln. Ld Chancell’t. Hyde’s Repartée to ye Dutchess of Cleveland— If you live you’ll be old.

24. Din’d at Darlington. Woselbst unser H. Hospes ein Instiger Carl gewest Donwell by name, Done-ill by nature. An Ethiop in Hue, Divell in feature! Aufln Abend nach North-Allerton.

25. Morgens nach York. My Ld went to see Ch. Watkinson & Dean Wickham; welcher letzte einer Subtiler Mensch aber nicht Doctus.

26. Din’d at Bishopsthorp. A B’s character of Dr. Brown, ye He should cap a case of Law wth me. Advice to marry.

27. Confirmation—Dinner.

28. My Ld confirm’d by ye Ch in ye Consistory. The Election confirm’d—ō obstantibus quibuscunque omissis. Bp of Durham came to ye George & we remov’d to Mr. Tomson’s.


30. Din’d wth Mr. Ch. Watkinson: u dabey Sr Edmund & Sr Jonathan Jennings. After Dinner to Bishopsthorp to pay Fees. Mr. Atkinson, my Lord AB’s Secretary return’d me 13° 4d

* Sir George Fletcher, of Hutton, married secondly Lady Mary Johnston, daughter of the Earl of Annandale, and widow of Sir George Graham, of Netherby.
† Clement Skelton married Grace Brisco, sister of Bishop Nicolson’s mother. See July 4th.
‡ The Archbishop of York then was John Sharpe.
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for Mr. Ward's Induction into Warcup: begging pardon for His mistake, in directing His mandate to Mr. Simson. With H. Squire & Dr. Comber in yr evening.

July 1. Sett Forward on yr journey toward London: lodging yt night at yr 3 Cranes in Doncaster.

2. From Doncaster to Newark at Mr. 

3. Thence to yr George (Mr. Tod's) in Stanford. Met yr new Chancellor of Scotland, my Lord Marquise of Quensborough &c.

4. Din'd with my Lord of Lincoln at Bugden. Mr. Skelton sleighted eine briefe von seiner Mutter. A good dinner on a Fasting-day. Jo: Scott had petition'd to be my Lord's Chaplain; ye place proffer'd me; but refused. White Cap spoyl'd this year's visitation. We lodged at yr Sun in Bigglesworth.

5. Then (through Hatfield by my Lord Salisbury's House) to Barnett.

6. Walked to Barnet-wells in the morning. The water has a tincture of Allom; and purges by stool and urine. Near akin to yr at Cumner near Oxford. After Evening-prayer I waited on my Lord to Mr. Secretary Coventry's in Enfield Chase. The Lodge well repair'd & beautify'd with fair Gardens, Labyrinth &c. gedencke die Holländische Hay-Barns; with moveing covers.

7. Came to Westminster. I lodg'd yr night at yr two-headed Swan in Tuttle Street; but ever after at Mr. Sill's.

10. Din'd at Lambeth with Dr. Holder &c. My Lord A.B.'s greeting—Mr A. you are welcome; I have often heard of you, and am now glad to see you. After Dinner, I went to yr top of St. Paul's: with is design'd to be 640 high from yr Foundation. The Cupola supported with Pillars of 60 & 80 foot Diameter.

II. I introduc'd Mr. Heath to yr new Bishop of Bristol, Dr. Lake: who told Him, He desir'd all former Quarrels w'th yir Dean (Tomson) might be forgot: but for ye future He would eye Him strictly. In yr Afternoon (in our way to Windsor) we waited on Mr. Secretary Jenkins at Hammersmith; newly return'd fro yr Council at Hampton-Court. He gave us a Relation of yr E. of Abingdon's promise to procure for yr City of Oxford in their new Charter—1. A Night-walk. 2. St. Clement's taken with yr Freedom. 3. A Horse-Fair, by yr Theater; in Lent. But all three were deny'd by His Myr. who was told (by St. L. J.) yr He had greater reason to Favor a Loyal University yn a Factious Corporation. St L's com-
pliment to me at parting. Mr. A. If I can be serviceable to you, Let me know it. Waited on ye King, Queen & Duke at Supper in Windsor-Castle: & view'd ye Fountain (under ye statue, in ye great Quadrangle) wth by two men's pumping from a well 140 foot deep, throws up ten Barrels of water per Hour.

In ye last whereof ye Inscription:

ANTONIUS VERRIO NEOPOLITANUS

non ignobili stirpe natus
in Honorem Dei
Augustissimi Regis Caroli Secundi
et
Sancti Georgii
Molem hanc felicissimâ manu Decoravit.

Din'd wth Dr. Montague;† viro optime modesto. In ye evening His Grace of Rippon gave Father Graham & me an account of G. Tully's Letters to ye A.B. & Himself; about His Salary.

" 13 His Grace of Rippon preach'd before ye King on—Love yr Enemies. In ye close whip'd ye private Feuds among Courtiers. As soon as sermon was over, my Lord did His Homage in ye presence-chamber; ye oath being read to Him by Mr. Secretary Godolphin. Ye Dutchess of Ports-mouth waited on ye Queen at Dinner. My Ld and I din'd wth Dr. Turner (B. of Rochester, in daily expection to be translated to Ely) my Ld Keeper, E. of Feversham, Coll Graham &c. gedencke my Ld of Rochester's story of ye Frenchman's—me think yt me will think no more. After Evening prayer walk'd down to Eaton-Coll. Sr H. Wootton's present in ye Hall; a map of Venice.


* The Duke of York, afterwards King James II.
†† The Hon. John Montague, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, 1683-1699; Dean of Durham, 1699. He was Clerk of the Closet to King William III.
††† Probably the Archbishop of York is meant. The Archbishops of York had a palace and property at Ripon, and often made long residences there.
§§ See paper by Dr. Barnes in the C. & W. Transactions, vol. xiii.
July 15. Wth Sr Jos. Williamson at St. James's Square—who told us wth opposition had bin made agt Mr. Musgrave by Ld Halifax, A.B. of Canterbury and Bp of London—yw last saying—They design'd to throw away ye Church. Din'd at Fulham. Guests, Dr. Cave, Dr. Dove, Dr. Batty, Dr. Turner. &c.

16. Wth Mr. Grahme at Mrs. Knipe's—who told us a remarkable story of her burying a chip embru'd in yw late King's blood beans growing in yw place wth blood-red strokes.

17. Spent a Guinney wth yw Chancellor's brothers & mine.

18. I went to Cobha—and thence (with Sr. J. W.) to Rochester & Chatham. Dr. Castilion told us yw B. of Ely dy'd worth go00lb, most of was left to Dr. Saywell. Sup'd with Sr. Joh. Goodwin at Chatha gedencke die Cyprus-birds. Sr. J. W. sat up with me, in my bedchamber at Cobham, till two in yw morning.

19. Return'd (by Darford) to London. Clear'd Accounts wth M. Pitt who is owing me yw two last Volumns of yw Atlas.

20. I preach'd at yw Kg's Chapple in Whitehall, on Matt 5. 37.


22. To Daventry: lodg'd at Mrs. Shugburrow's.

23. At Dr. Nicolson's early in yw morning. At Dinner wth Coz. J. R. who presented me wth a Hunting Saddle & Accompany'd us yt night to Cosehill; where we lodg'd at yw Swan, a stately Inn built by my Ld Digby.

24. We lodged at yw Red Lyon in Newcastle.

25. At yw Eagle & child in Wigan.

26. At Mr. Yeats's in Lancaster.

27. Over yw three Sands to Bootle. A long Sabbath day's journey.

28. Met alt Fraw C. at Ravenglass, thence to Gosforth.


30. Went to Sea-Scale. At night to Hail.

31. To Plumland.

Aug. 4. I went to Carlile to wait on Sr. Ch. Musgrave who was welcomed into the Town wth nine Guns.

6. The Judges (my Ld Ch. Jeffreys & Mr. Just. Holloway) were received wth 15 Guns: by Sr. Ch. M's order.

* Sir Christopher Musgrave, second son of Sir Philip Musgrave, second Baronet of Edenhall, was knighted 1671, and succeeded his brother Sir Richard Musgrave in the baronetcy in 1687. He was Lieut.-General of the Ordnance, and Governor of Carlisle under King Charles II., being succeeded in that office under James II. by Francis Howard. He was M.P. for Carlisle 1661-1690, and for Westmorland 1690-1695. His second son, another Christopher Musgrave, succeeded him as M.P. for Carlisle.—See Ferguson's M.P.'s for Cumberland and Westmorland.
Aug. 7. Charge given by my Ld. Ch. J. principally against some call'd Trimmers & Whig-Justices. Sermon preach'd (Length & stuff intolerable) by Mr. Nicols. Mr. Nelson pleas'd to quarrel me for placing Mr. Monpesson in ye Bp's Seat.

Tryalls of ye two Smurthwait's wch gave occasion to a severe Reprimand to Mr. Nicols. Witch of Ainstable clear'd. Elder Williamson found Guilty of Barretry & committed.

Junio Williamson found guilty, & pillory'd wth his Brother. Two Scotch pedlars pillory'd for venting of clippings. Two Smurthwaits & a Bordering sentenced to Dye. After Dinner my Ld Ch. Justice went to Scotland: desiring to see something as bad as his own country.

I preach'd at Stanwix; & Mr. Nelson in ye Cathedral. Neither of ye Judges at Church in the afternoon.

Several petitions brought in against Attournays. L. Simpson bound over to answer for Barretry next Assize. The Judges went to Appleby.

Nach Salkeld.


Wieder nach Salkeld.

I sent my Boy wth Letters to Gosforth. Die Alte Fraw aber wolte nicht meine Briefe behalten sodiers mirs wieder bey ihre sohn Joh. gekehrt hat.

Return'd wth a message, welches nur zu Gosforth höflich könne seyn.

I preach'd at Carlile for ye Bp.

Mr. Grahm was Install'd at Durham.

Habe ich nach Hail geschickt mit brieffen dem H. Ponsonby und seinem schwester.

Gekriegte ich eine sehr lieblich Antwort von der Fräulein B.

Rec'd. a Query frö Mr. Child about Preaching at ye Funeral of Mrs. Langhorn: who had bin some years excommunicate.

Sep. 1. Nach Plumland.

* Roland Nicols, B.D., R. of Aikton 1669-1694, and Lecturer of S. Mary's, Carlisle. He had been Chancellor of the Diocese 1667-1683.
† Selling pieces of gold or silver cut off from coins.
‡ John Child, M.A., V. of Penrith 1669-1694.
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Sept. 3. Nach Hail mit eine briefe von meinen H. Fader an der Fråw C. wch I sent by Mr. Sherwin. Et Responsū tuli vetulā Dignissimum.


5. Wieder nach Plumland.

8. On Munday, to Carlile, where y't week was spent in waiting on Mr. Ph. Musgrave.

15. My Father went to Hail.


18. I' met my Lord Bth. at Milrigg where most of ye Clergy of ye Deanryes of C. & W. waited on His Lords'. He was met by Sr Geo. Fl. Mr. Ph. Musgrave, Mr. Davison, &c. at ye Countess of P's monument & conducted to Hutton.

19. I din'd wth my Ld at Hutton & waited on Him y't night to Carlile. His Ld'ship was met on Brisco-Moor by ye Mayor & Aldermen, officers of ye Corporation, Singing-men &c. and conducted to ye Deanry.


22. Back again to Carlile wth Sir C. Musgrave & His two sons: who called at my House. Din'd wth ye Mayor & Aldermen; & y't night went to Plumland. Disswaded from a journey westward by my Father.

24. Wieder nach Salkeld.

26. Mr. Dean Musgrave surpriz'd me at Salkeld: and gave me warning of his design to be Install'd on Tuesday following.

27. Nach Carlile.

28. Mr. Tod§ preach'd for me in ye Cathedral, Mr. Savage's course: & Mr. Thornton at Edenhall.

* A family of that name, from which the present Rector of Dean is descended, owned a property called "The Howe," near Seascale.
† Eldest son of Sir Christopher Musgrave. He was Clerk of the Council under James II., and died before his father.
‡ The Countess' Pillar near Penrith marks the place where the Countess of Pembroke parted from her mother, the Countess of Cumberland.
§ Hugh Todd, D.D., who appears often afterwards, was born at Blencow, educated at Queen's College, Oxford, and Fellow of University College. In 1679 he became chaplain to Bishop Smith, in 1683 V. of Kirkland, and in 1685 was made Prebendary of Carlisle, and V. of Stanwix, which he held till 1688. In 1688 he became R. of Arthuret, and in 1699 V. of Penrith. He died in 1728.
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Sept. 29. Mr. Dean met at Wragmire by ye Chapter; & soon after by ye Mayor & Aldermen, officers, Gentry, Tenants &c. to ye number of about 150. My Ld Bp. in His Coach met us in Carlton-Lane. He was led into ye Town by the Prebends & some others of ye Clergy; and follow’d by ye Bp, Sr. Ch. Musgrave, and ye Rest.

30. The Dean Install’d after ye first Lesson in ye morning; without ye old Foppery of going to ye Altar. After prayers; ye Clergy & Gentry, with ye Quire were splendidly entertain’d in ye Deanry.


2. Hail.


5. Lodg’d at Calbeck: der H. Sav. aber wäre zu Edenhal.

6. Waited on my Ld Bp & Mr. Dean at Penrith-sessions. Din’d wth ye Sheriff: and Lodg’d at Coz. J.N.’s.


10. Mr. Ardrey dyed. I sent my Boy to Hail: mit 3 brieffe u dabey ein stücke Goldes der fr. B.

12. Boy return’d wth news dass die Fr. B. wäre aus dem haus von ihre Mutter geworfen u zu Hail logirt.


14. The Chancellr, install’d Prebend before Morning prayer. I din’d with my Ld. & after four a’clock, went to Hail.


* Thomas Musgrave, D.D., sixth son of Sir Philip Musgrave, Bart., of Edenhall, and younger brother of Sir Christopher Musgrave. He was Archdeacon of Carlisle, 1668 to 1682; became Prebendary of Durham, 1675; of Chichester, 1681; and died in 1686. He married (1) Mary, d. of Sir Thomas Harrison, Kt., of Allerthorpe, Yorkshire; and (2) Mary, d. of Sir John Cradock, Kt., of Richmond, Yorkshire.

† Henry Fletcher, of Tallentire, married Mary Brisco, niece of Bishop Nicolson’s mother.

23. Mr. Richardson's Christning at Salkeld. witnesses, W.N. J.N. and Mrs. Bourbank.

26. I preach'd at Lazonby; and din'd at Kirkoswald. Went home yt night to Penrith with coz. J.N. and his wife.*

27. To Plumland. By Skelton.

29. I inducted Mr. Nevinson† into Ulndale, present, His brother Nevinson, Mr Hugh Machell, Mr. Heckstetter‡ &c. Treated with a Dinner at Ireby and wine at ye Parsonage.

31. Went to Bridekirk to view ye Font; and found ye following words different from w' I had before observ'd:

RD IR cum aliis ō hic inserendis.

Nov. 3. I went to Carlile with Mr. Nevinson. We had some trouble with ye Floods on Bolton-pasture.

5. My Lord Bp., the Chapter, Mayor & Aldermen &c. entertained with speeches in ye school. After evening prayer all of us treated in ye Hall by ye Mayor; and at ye Castle by Mr. Fielding.§ 7 Guns. Mr. Thornton preach'd.

6. From Carlile to Hail after II at noon.


11. The Ch. and I held or first court of Corrections at Penrith; where we deliver'd an Admonitiō to some of ye Clergymen of yt Deanry ū to frequent Markets. Langhorn, &c. promised to attend Sacraments, & Dismiss'd.


* She was daughter of Thomas Featherstonhaugh, of Kirkoswald.
† Thomas Nevinson, B.A., husband of Bishop Nicolson's sister Grace, was R. of Uldale, 1684-1697; V. of Ireby, 1693; V. of Addingham, 1697-1698; V. of Torpenhow, 1698-1728.
‡ Daniel Heckstetter, M.A., was V. of Ireby, 1661-1686; R. of Sebergham, 1661-1695; R. of Bolton, 1665-1686.
§ "Aug. 6. 1687. Given the servants at my cosin Bazil Fieldings in Carlisle Castle—who was Lieutenant-Governor thereof under Sir Christopher Musgrave—f00 07s. 06d." (Accounts of Sir Daniel Fleming, printed by Historical MSS. Commission.) He was one of the Aldermen of Carlisle under the charter of 36 Charles II. (1684), and was Mayor 1686. According to Sir D. Fleming's MSS., it was not intended by King James II. to displace him in March 1685 when other members of the Corporation were to be changed; but probably he was not found sufficiently pliable, for he was displaced June 23rd, 1688. See Ferguson's Royal Charters of Carlisle, p. xxx.
|| Gabriel Smallwood, M.A., V. of S. Laurence, Appleby, 1681-1698.
I lodg'd at Kirkbythor: & had ye remainder of ye Gothic Inscription.

Nov. 13. I din'd wth Mr. Senhouse & His young Lady at little Salkeld.

" 14. Mr. Senhouse, 3 Aglionbyes &c. din'd wth me at Salkeld.

" 16. After evening prayer went to see Coz. Hodgson.

" 17. At Clibburn, entertain'd by Mr. Fenwick. Old Stories of Sequestrations &c. In the evening in Carten-spielen zu Kleiner Salkeld.

" 18. Mr. H. Aglionby & I din'd at Skelton. Mr. Chancell'r. & Mr. Leigh lodg'd at Salkeld.


" 20. I writt to ye B. of Oxon. ab ye Saxon Chronicle. pd. Mr. Nelson 45s. for 9 Sundayes.


" 22. Nach Carlile.

" 23. Great Chapter. Order'd buying of new Singing-Books; & mending the Consistory Court. Adjourn'd till Apr. 1. My Lord had a private ordination (in ye Cathedral) for Mr Fleming.

" 25. Court of Corrections at Wigton. Ch. & I lodg'd at Sebraham: u sind in Cartenspiel gewesen biss an der 2 uhr Morgens.

" 26. Mr. Ch. and I din'd at Caldbeck: and stay'd there all night.

" 27. Nach Plumland.

" 19. I gave Mr. Pearson Letters to My Ld and Mr. Tunstall for Holm-Cultrā.

" 30. At Torpenhow. Din'd wth me Mr Salkeld & wife. 3. Orfeurs. 2 Fletchers &c.


" 4. Rose. Din'd wth my Ld. St. G. Fl. Mr. Fl. Mr. Richmond, Mr. Warwick, Capt. Fielding, Mayor of Carlisle,† J. Nicolson, Chancell'r. Mr. Ward, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Atkinson. Mr. Warwick's Certificate sign'd.

* William Fenwick, R. of Cliburn, 1673-1687.
† John How (the elder) was Mayor of Carlisle 1684. (Whellan). He was again Mayor 1691, 1695, 1703, and 1712, unless the person named in some of these later years was † John How the younger. He was one of the six persons brought to the Bar of the House of Commons on their knees December 7th, 1692, and reprimanded by the Speaker on account of the disfranchisement of Christopher Musgrave. (Ferguson's M.P.'s, p. 69.) He was organist of the
Dec. 5. Court of Corrections at Carlisle. R. Briscoe's case smartly argu'd by Mr. Agl. & W. Gilpin.* Articles exhibited agt Dr. Gilpin by R. Aglionby. in carthen-sp. zu C. Fielding's verspielt 15s.

6. After Dinner to Salkeld.

7. I preach'd at Adingha. chancell out of repair; & want of Books.


9. I wrote to ye Ch. at Penrith to respite Excommunication.

10. Boy return'd with an answer from Coz. Ponsonby & Mr. Morland. Chancellr. & Register lodg'd with me.

11. Ch & I din'd at St. R. Musgrave's. I promised to preach at Edenhal in X'mas.

12. Met Mr. Agl. & Mr. Morland at Keswick. Die Fraw B. hat unhöflich meine brieffe verkehrt.

13. Mr. Agl. & I call'd at Mrs. Blencow's promis'd to see Her again in X'mas.

15. Mr. Leigh & I din'd at Rose: & lodg'd at Carlile. Mr. Aglionby's Arguing for ye Reasonableness of some clergymen being justices.

16. At Crofton. Thence to Wigton: & lodg'd at Greenhow.


18. Boy sent to Hail: wth Letters to Coz. P. His wife & sister. And so Adieu.†

Cathedral. "Whereas Mr John How Senr late organist of ye Cathedral Church of Carlile did deservedly incur the displeasure of the Dean and Chapter of the said church by his disrespectful carriage to Christopher Musgrave Esq. Member of Parliament for the said city, I Timothy How (son of ye sd John) being now to be admitted into the said office of organist do acknowledge ye displacing of my said father (upon ye forementioned account) to have been most just and reasonable, and do hereby promise never to be guilty of the like disrespect to soe worthy Patron & freind to the established Church as the said Mr. Musgrave and his family have always approved themselves. Timothy How."

* John Aglionby, Recorder of Carlisle, born 1642, died 1717. His younger brother Richard Aglionby was registrar of the Diocese. W. Gilpin, Recorder of Carlisle, 1717.

† Richard Gilpin, of Scaleby Castle, had been ejected from the living of Greystoke. He married Susannah, daughter of William Brisco, of Crofton, and was father of W. Gilpin mentioned above.

‡ This seems to have been the end of the affair with "B. C.," though the journey of June 2–5, 1685 (for which his father scolded him) was perhaps undertaken with some idea of renewing it. He records the death of Mrs. Copley on June 27th, 1685, and mentions B. C. again on July 18th and 20th. The Gosforth register records the marriage on May 19th, 1692, of Mr. Richard Trotter, of Dent (near Cleator), and Mrs. Barbara Copley. In June, 1708, the Bishop records in his diary a visit paid to him at Rose by "Cous. J. Ponsonby and his sister, with yir Little Cousin Trotter,"
Dec. 19. A civil Answer fra Coz P. went to Carlile.

20. After Examinations for orders, Ch & I came to Rose.

21. Ordination at Rose. Ordain—

Priests—

H. Flemming & J. Heblethwait
Andr. Liddell & Geo. Hume

Deacons—

Edw. Weddall & John Gosling
Geo. Moon & Tho. Bewly

Mem. Bewly promis’d my Ld never to aim at priest’s orders; nor to take a Cure. At night to Carlile.

22. At Mr. Crosby’s Christening. u die gantz nacht in carten-spiel verspielt ymb 10s.

23. Nach Salkeld. Rid over peltrel upon ye Ice; after 3 nights frost.

24. Walk’d cross ye River to L. Salkeld. Carts cross’d Eden, upon four nights frost.

25. Preach’d (die erste mahl) extempore on Is. 53, 1 & 2.

26. At Kirk-oswald. An order sign’d by ye Ch-wardens, &c for cutting down ye wood in ye Ch.yard. Sup’d at Mr. Fetherston’s.

28. I preach’d at Edenhall.


30. Nach Carlile. The new Charter† (brought by Sir G. Fletcher) met at Briscoe by ye Sheriff, Gentlemen & Citizens to the number of 300. Received at ye Gates with 15 guns. the Gild’s with yir colours; the Garrison &c And met, at ye Cross, by ye Bishop & Clergy. After Dinner a Hogshead of Claret given, at ye Bonfire, to ye Rabble.

31. I waited on my Lord to Rose: & after Dinner, went to plumland.

Jan. 1. Din’d at Warthole; wth ye Sheriff, &c. u bin, mit Frawenzimmern im Carten-spiel biss an der 2 uhr. Gedenke die Comedy, Love will find out ye way.

* Afterwards D.D., second son of Sir Daniel Fleming. He was R. of Grasmere, 1687; V. of Asby, 1694-1728. In the course of alterations to the rectory at Grasmere in 1895, the following inscription was found cut on a beam:—

THIS HOUSE WAS BUILT 1687. HENRY FLEMING PAR.

† For the story of this charter, see Ferguson’s Royal Charters of Carlisle.

‡ According to the list given in Wheelan, Leonard Dykes (of Warthole) had been appointed High Sheriff in 1681 and 1682; but Edward Hasel, appointed 1683, must have been in office at this time.
Jan. 2. Die Frawlein B. Dykes u. A. Reins sind zu Plumland in Carten-spiel. Mr. Hutchinson's Account of ye Quarrell at Newcastle: that all Mr. Davison's enemies (except Capt. Brabant) were private men; & had nothing to doe in ye Corporation.

4. I din'd at Treepland; wth St. Francis Salkeld, Mr. Dykes, Mrs. Dykes, Reins &c.

5. Din'd at Whitehall. u dabey Mr. Salkeld, Mr. Orfeur, &c. St' Francis's Barb valu'd at 15.

Nach Carlile.


9. Chancell'r and I went, in the evening, to Hutton. St' G's project of makeing a new way fro ye park to His House; for 400, His Defence of Mr. Noble agt. Tyckle, Bird &c.

10. In ye Evening to Salkeld.


13. With Mr. Tod to Wigton. At night ye Ch. Mr. Todd & I came to Plumland.

Auff der Reise sind wir eine uhr bey dem H. B. zu Crook-dake: u tractirt auf die Scottish Manier mit viel falschheit u blanditiis.


16. At Red-Dyal. Tryal betwixt 2 Orfeurs refer'd to my Uncle Brisco & Mr. Lamplugh. At last (u zwar absonder.

Sir John Ballantine, Kt., of Corehouse or Carros, in Scotland, bred a physician, married in 1663 Ann, d. and h. of William Musgrave, of Crookdake Hall, near Bromfield. (Nicolson & Burn.) Sir W. Dugdale wrote to Sir Daniel Fleming that he was one among others "who assume that title (of knighthood), but never received that honour from this King." (Le Fleming MSS., p. 187.)
lich bey meiner Kraft) agreed Mr. Charles to give his Uncle 10th to pay Him His annuity for ye future, and to secure Him from E. Lawson’s Demands.

Home about 3 in ye morning.

Jan. 18. Pr. at Torpenhow; & Mr. Parker at Salkeld. Gespeiset bey mir 3 Orfeurs u Mr Salkeld mit seiner fraw.


22. To Rose.

23. To Salkeld.

26. To Penrith wth Mr. Hume. met at night, wth Mrs. Simpson, Mr. Aglionby & Mrs. Walton. Walton’s business refer’d to W. N. u agreed. H. A. u ich sind die nacht da geblieben.

27. Mr. Agl. & I went to Milrigg. sind wir im Wirtshauss tractirt biss am 9 uhr der nacht. Cock-fight appointed on Collup-Munday. At Mr. A.’s all night: wth Mr. Morland.

28. Went to see old Mr Singleton a dying. Din’d wth Mr. Robinson at Ousby; & to Salkeld at night.

29. Din’d at Lowther. Der H. J. L. hat mir (u Mr. Hasell) gesagt dass er wirde nicht lange in der Zagung delectirt werden: sondern er wollte büchern kauffen, u starke studiren. u dabey in vitam Anlicam invexit plurimi. Fœlix ille qui procul negotiis &c.

31. Din’d at Mr. Savage’s. At night to Plumland.

Feb. 1. Pr. at Torpenhow; & Mr. Parker at S. New Messages (by Mrs. Robinson) from Crookdake: sed surdo.

2. Din’d again at Caldbeck. At night (im Wirthauss zu S.) wth Mr. Senhouse, Mr. Fetherston & Coz. J. N. Hospes M. R. pessimi per tridui ebrius. hat mit H. Parker gefochten &c.

3. A message from Mr. T. Dalston yt He could ô meet at Langwaithby. went wth Senhouse & Mr. Agl. to visit Mr. J. Barwis—u darnach zu Kirk-oswald. Woselbst im Cartenspiel biss 11 uhr. Court at Penrith, by ye Ch. alone.

4. Mr. Ch. came to my house late from Appleby.

* In that year, “Collop Monday” (the Monday before Ash Wednesday) fell on March 2nd. It does not appear from the diary that he attended the cockfight on that day in person.
Feb. 5. Ch. u I went to Kirk-oswald: view'd ye Church, & order'd ye workmen to remove ye Lead & Rubbish; but made no Bargain. The Ch. to Carlile.

7. News of ye King's illness. ye He was seis'd (on Feb. 2) wth an Apoplectic fit. Whitehall & ye Tower shutt up.

8. Pr. at Salkeld on Prov. 21, 24.

9. At Mr. Barwis's burial. Ill weather hinder'd me from a journey westward; to meet Mr. Senhouse, Mr. Patrickson, &c. at ye College.

10. Met ye Ch. at Rose where I stay'd till Saturday following, & read prayers in Mr. Tod's absence.

11. The ill news of ye Death of Charles ye Second. Regum optimi. He dy'd February 6. betwixt 11 and 12 at noon. The night before beg'd ye Queen's pardon & his Brother's. King James proclaim'd in ye City at three in ye Afternoon.

15. Pr. at Carlile. Desir'd by ye Mayor, Aldermen &c zu trucken lassen die Predigung.

16. To Rose: & ye next day, back wth ye Ch. to Carlile.

18. to Lannercost. The Lead valu'd at 15lb & order'd to be sold to J.N.


20. Ill in a cold.

21. Pr. at Torpenhow & Mr Parker at S.

22. To Rose. Paid for one of Mr. Parker's Licences. Mr. Savage brought an Address tr. ye Dean. to Carlile.

25. Back to Rose. My L: gave me a new Address sign'd by Himself: wth was carry'd back to C. ye night.

26. Address sign'd by ye Prebendaries; & hands of ye Clergy out of citations in ye Registry.

27. Wth ye Address to Penrith. met only wth Mr. Agl. Mr. Bell & Mr. Threlkeld. Lodg'd at K. Wilson's.

28. Met at Appleby by most of ye Clergy of ye Deanry. back late in ye evening (wth bro. John) to Salkeld.

Mar. 1. Address sent to my L: wth desire to have Mr. Graham to present it. Pr. at S.

2. Met Mr. Dalston at Woodside & stay'd somewt late.

3. Mr. Hodgson's christning two Twins Thomas & Margaret. At night Mr. Lee & I at little S. all night.


6. W.N. of Carlile, & his wife, gave me a visit in ye Return from Mr. A's. And soon after S'. R. Musgrave.
Mar. 7. Din’d at Wrey Hall in my way to Carlile. Deutsch mit H. Sanderson gesprochen.

8. Pr & Sacrament at C.


10. Ch. u I din’d at Rose: I came in ye evening to Plumland.

12. Back to Carlile, by Rose. Mr. Patrickson, Mr. Tickell, Mr. Skelton &c. Din’d w’t my Lord. At ye Chancellr in ye evening w’t Mr. Agl. junior, Mr. Skelton & Mr. Tickell. Health (drunk to Mr. Sk. a papist) prosperity to ye Church of England in spight of Popery & Fanaticism.


15. Ordination at Rose. Ordain’d

1. Deacon
2. Priests.

Calvert
T. Nicols

Hewit
Frasier.

Inter quos Frasier (Scotus A.M. Aberdonensis) optimè omnì eruditus: sed et infælicissimè promotus.


17. After Dinner to S.

18. Mr. Hume and I w’t Mr. Denton at Heskett. Es erscheinet mir dass de H. D. geheyrathet ware.

19. Din’d at Edenhall. Election for citizens at C. Sr C. Musgrave & Mr. James Grahme chosen; nemine contradicente.

20. At little Salkeld, w’t Mr. Smalwood, Mr. Agl. Mr. Simson & Coz. J.N. Notice of my being a Commissioner in a suit betwixt Mr Pattinson & Mr. Grahme of Nunnery. Mr. Simson, Coz. J.N. & Sister & Mrs. M. Aglionby at my house very late; in yr way to Penrith.

21. News of Sr J. Lowther’s appearing ye’t morning very early at Appleby w’t 300 Freeholders; upon a jealousy of an election for knights of ye Shire design’d by Sr G. Fletcher & Sr Ch. Musgrave.

22. After Sermon, Mr. H. Agl. & I went to dine w’t J.N. at Penrith. Sup’d w’t L. Simson; and lodg’d at J.N’s.

* John Aglionby, son of the Recorder, was disinherited, and died before his father. For his character, see the Gilpin Memoirs, p. 22.

† Bishop’s Smith’s wife was mother (by her first husband, Sir H. Fletcher) of Barbara, wife of Sir Daniel Fleming, of Rydal. According to his monument in Grasmere Church they had eleven sons and four daughters. These Miss Flemings were therefore granddaughters of Mrs. Smith. See also April 22nd, 1685.
Mar. 23. Back to S. early: and thence (with Mr. Robinson) to dine at Hutton. Sir R. Fenwick won 1s. of me at Tables. Sir Geo. deny'd any design to elect Knights on Saturday.

" 24. After Dinner pay'd a visit at Kirk-oswald, view'd ye castle there; & sup'd with Mr. Hume.
Et sic Annus Teritur
Quid boni?

1685.

Mar. 25. From Salkeld to Rose; thence to Plumland.

" 26. W. N. of Carlile called at Plumland.

" 29. Pr. at Torpenhow; & Mr. Parker at Salkeld. Mr. Salk: & wife at Mrs. Irton's burial; & two Orfeurs at Mr. Chambers's.

" 30. Din'd with Mr. Savage at Caldbeck. Dr. Jemmison's cure for ye growing to of ye Liver. practiz'd by Cardang upon ye A. B. of St. Andrews. Pouring cold water suddeinly on Him, after warm'd with oils.
To Salkeld.

" 31. Din'd with Mr. Dean at Edenhall. Mr. R. Birkbeck character of Eldred Skelton. After Dinner to Carlile.

Apr. 1. After dinner waited on Sr. Ch. Musgr. Er hat mich viel Complimentirt über meine getruckte sermon; sagende dass die Dedicatio ware ein sehr grosse ehr seinem selbsten u seinem sohn. Sr. Chr. Mayor, Aldermen, Prebends, &c. went to meet Mr Dean & his Lady at Carlton.

" 2. Lr. from Mr. Ph. Musgrave. sehr lieblich. Chapter. Election of Kts.


" 6. Back to ye Chapter at Carlile.


" 11. Back to Carlile. Sworn Treasurer. Mr. Dean & his Lady went to Edenhall.

" 12. Preach'd at Aikton, & Mr. Nicols in ye Cathedrall. Din'd with ye Ch. at Carlile; & walk'd in ye evening to Rose.

" 13. To ye Commission at Penrith.

" 15. Commission over at 8 in ye evening.
To Salkeld.
Apr. 16. After Dinner to Carlile.

17. Good Friday. I preach'd for ye Bishop. Sr Wm Whitmore, Mr. Bennet &c. in Town.

18. Went wth Sr Wm Whitmore (ein sehr kluger u gelehrter Mensch) &c. as far as Bothel. Thence to Pluml.


21. Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Warwick (u noch andere Catholische) din'd at Rose. u darnach gedantz tet haben. Qu: in futuræ exultationis præludium. Avertat Deus! Wieder (aufm Abend) in Cartenspiel.

22. Der H. Bishop hat (sehr serious) die fraulein B. Fl. fúr eine weib proponirt. met my father, in ye evening, at Salkeld.

23. In ye evening to Carlile. The Coronation Day. Kg Qu. u Royall Families Health in ye Moot-Hall; wth three vollies of musquetts. Afterwards Mr. Basill Fielding's Commission (for Lieuten't, Governour) read in the Castle; & ye company deliver'd up to Cap't Shackerley, Governour of Chester. Treated by Mr. B. F. in ye Castle. Nine great guns, and a volley of small shot, at each of the three afores'd Healths. Wth Cap't Shackerley, Recorder &c. biss am Morgen. The Mayor in a Quarrell wth J. N. of Penrith, &c. Mr. Recorder severely censur'd by Cap't Shackerley.

24. Din'd at Rose; & acquainted my Ld wth Story's carriage to me ye night before. Return'd, in ye evening wth ye Ch. to Carlile.

25. Rain kept me at Carlile. Monition frø ye A.B's for the Convocation.

26. To Salkeld. after evenings prayer back to Rose.

27. Mr. Savage appointed a Chap't for ye election of a Convocation-man: but Mrs. Savage's Dying ye day prevented. Chanc: u I at Carlile.


May 1. Nach Carlile.

2. Court kept for ye Chancellr by Mr. Todd & W. N. Kingfield excomm. for Fornication.

3. I Pr. at Carlile: where I stay'd ye week.

6. Auf'm Abend in Cartenspiel mit Frawenzimmern zu Mr. Sanderson's.
May 7. Synod held by W. N. Convocation-men elected, Mr. Harrison* & Mr. Todd.

8. My sister Fr. came to Carlile.

9. By Crofton to Plumland.

11. W. N. preach'd at ye Generall Chapter at Torpenhow. After five a clock to Carlile.


15. To Rippon.

16. Mr. Weelkes carry'd me (after dinner) to ye old Abbey of Fountains. Benedicite Fontes Domino. Kept (wth some private oratories) by Mrs. Messenger, a Papist.


18. Mr. Weelkes sett me to ye Spaws at Knaresborough. Sulphur-Spaw very nauseus & vomited as fast as drunk. Spaw-Ale. Gedencke die jungfraw Fish zu Knaresborough. At night to York. Dv. Comber gave me an acct of G. T. rudeness in sending for Him: u etwas vom H. Dr. Greenvil discurrirt hat.

19. Most of ye Day spent in the Company of Dr. Wichä, Dr. Comber, Mr. Sanford & Mr. Bridges. Der letzte hat geschrieben wieder den Quakern: n ist ein Kluger u wohl gelehrter Mensch.

20. Convocation open'd (ye Day after ye Parliam) by Dr. Wickhä, Dr. Watkinson, Dr. Comber, Mr Stanford &c. Bp. of Durha's Proxy, Mr. Bellasis exhibited His proxy wth a protestation; as did also Mr. Beaumont for ye Arch.

* Christopher Harrison, M.A., V. of Brough-under-Stainmoor 1664-1695.
† John Leigh, M.A., V. of Edenhall and Langwathby 1683. He was deprived 1690, probably as a non-juror.
†† "A treat given to a person on going abroad or returning home."—Notes and Queries, January 10th, 1890. "Foi. Fr. Vole, a treat at going abroad or coming home."—Lewis' History and Antiquities of the Isle of Thanet. "Foy [foi, French], faith, allegiance, an obsolete word." ("Of them both did foy and tribute raise."—Spenser.)—Johnson's Dictionary.
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deaconry: tho ye Archdeacon's Procurator did ò allledge any such order.
None appear'd for Chester nor Man; nor any for the Chapters of either Durham or Carlile. Adjourn'd (post dictū Absentīi contumaciā) till June 18.
Din'd wth ye Dean: who told us ye story of ye Neapolitan & Florentine sea-chaplains. 1. wt you know, & I not. 2. wt I know, & you ò. 3. wt neither you nor I.
In ye evening wth Dr. Comber u dabey Mr. Dreyden, Mr. Bridges, Mr. West, Mr. Beaunt &c. Canonical prayer discoursed. Act of parliamè & Canon, in ye matter, now reconcileable.


" 23. Din'd at Kirkby-thor. At night to Salkeld.

" 25. Serv'd ye Sequestration on Mr. Sanderson at Kirk-oswald; & Mr. Runney put in by ye Sequestrators. Lodg'd at Mr. Aglionby's.

" 27. After Dinner wth Mr. Hume to Carlile.


" 30. By Brunfield & Greenhow to Plumland.

" 31. At Torpenhow. Christning Dinner at Jo: Featam's.

June 1. To meet Mr. H. Agl. at Crosthwait. Forc'd by ye Rain, to lodge yt night at little Brathwait. In ye evening at St. Herbert's Isle &c.

" 2. To Hail.

" 3. Din'd at Sea-Scale wth Mr. Th. Bellinghà, Mr. Patrickson, Mr. Ponsonby, Ch. Smalwood &c. u darnach höflich tractirt.
Mr. Bellingha a German Travellour.

June 4. Wth Mr. Patrickson &c. at Ravenglass. Aufm Abend im Collegio zu Cawder.

5. H. Agl. u Ch. Smalwood din’d at Hail. Darnach nach Cockermoth u logirt zu Bridekirk.


7. Pr. at Salkeld.

9. Mr. Miller of Hail wth me.

12. Noch einmahl hat bey mir logirt H. Miller. News (by Mr. Robson) of Mr. Nelson’s return frō Carlile.

13. To Carlile; in hopes of an election for Convocation. Aber frustra. Mr. Nelson o to be seen.

14. Tr. Sunday. I preach’d for ye Dean & administer’d Sacram’t to severall of ye officers of ye two Troops ofDragoons. Mr. Miller preach’d at Carlile.

15. Early to Salkeld. After Dinner Mr Todd & I towards York; lodg’d at Mr. Harrison’s.

16. To Richmond. news of Monmouth’s Landing.

17. To York.

18. Convocation. Onely, de novo, adjourn’d. Monmth pro-claim’d Traytour. Mr. West & Mr. Hildyard din’d wth us at ye George. In ye evening Dr. Watkinson, Dr. Breery, Dr. Comber, Dr. Crobrow & young Dr. Johnson wth me for news.


20. To Salkeld. news of Mr. Nelson’s death.

21. To Carlile. Mr. Nelson bury’d at evening prayer. Mr. Nicols proffer’d to preach.

23. Our Grand Chapter. The Governour, Major Sutherland & other officers, din’d wth us.

26. After Dinner at Linstock to agree Mr. Bowey & Jon: Wright. wth was (seemingly) done, & ye next day appointed for sealing of writeings.

27. Mr. Bowey fled off ye agreemt. news of old Mrs. Copley’s death, brought by Mr. Perkins.

28. I pr. at Carlile on Rom. 13:5 and din’d wth ye Governour.

* Hesket Hall, built by Sir Wilfrid Lawson, the first Baronet, is a singular structure, with twelve angles so contrived that the shadows give the hour of the day. The roof is circular, the chimneys running up in the centre.—Whellan.
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June 29. By Torpenhow (where I let my Tythes) to Plumland.

" 30. Court kept at Lorton; woselbst verz. 8s. Dragoons left Carlile.

July 1. Din'd at Threepland.

" 3. To Bromfield & Greenhow wth Mr. Parker.

" 5. Pr. at Torpenhow.

" 6. Din'd at Caldebeck, wth Mr. Porter: who very impatient to have Salt-pans to Salk.


" 8. Corrections at Appleby. Moor curate at Mallerstang, suspended for 3 years for clandestine marriages.


" 10. To Millrigg. Mr. Dalston carry'd me to Temple-Sowerby: whither ye Post brought us certain news of Monmth's Defeat. Bonfires.


" 12. I pr. at Edenhall. u sehr höflich tractirt.

" 13. By Torpenhow to Plumland. New Bond frō ye Farmers. to li left at Pl. for widow Johnson.


" 15. Corrections at Carlile. Mr. Lowry, Mr. Wilks &c. promis'd to be bay'd out of prison.


" 19. I pr. at Salkeld; & Mr. Parker at Skelton. woselbst ich bin sehr expectirt.

" 20. Boy sent nach Hail mit brief dem H. Ponsonby, Morland u (absonderlich) B. C. wth Mr. Smalwood & Mr. Aglionby (after dinner) at Low Hall.

* Sir Richard Musgrave married Margaret, daughter of Sir Thomas Harrison, Kt., of Allerthorpe, Yorkshire.
Here the diary breaks off. Thus there is no record how the letter was received by B. C. But the volume closes with accounts and a few memoranda, the first item being, on June 3rd, 1686:

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The accounts, &c., are not of much general interest, but the following entry seems worth recording:

June 16, 98.

Mem. Agreed with Dr. Pearson that he attend myself and family as often as our occasion shall require, when he is not letted by necessary attendance elsewhere, and that I am to pay him therefore every Martinmass two Guineas.

Witness—
Mr. Farrington.
Mr. Ion.
Mr. Corney.

The second, third, and fourth volumes are only almanacks. In these are inserted a number of accounts, with botanical, archæological, historical, and theological memoranda, which do not appear to be worth printing. The fifth volume also contains many such notes; but in it the diary recommences, after an interval of nearly five years, upon his birthday, June 3rd, 1690, and is continued to December 31st of that year. Nearly half the space is occupied by botanical notes; and, as a whole, it is not of much general interest, but a few extracts are here given:

1690.

June 3. Dies annorum nostrorum in ipsis Septuaginta annis. ps. 60
Atq Ego miser hodie 35\textsuperscript{um} ætatis annum complevi. Quid autem per Semi-transactù unius Seculi Spatium boni fecerim Rogás. St. Imò, Quid non mali! Ab ipsis incunabulis Deo et Literis dicatus, nihil (vel, quod pejus, aliud) agendo, annos conteri. Interim—Tu Deus misericors, cujus virtus in infirmitate perfectur, sis mihi (per reliquos si qui adhuc restant) adjumento, ut Tibi vivam. Ut sic
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numerem dies meos scire facias, ut adducam cor ad Sapientiam.
Des benignus ut Cunctis (in posterum) Juventutis Deliriis, mundi et Seculi iniquioris illecebris, oculos amoveam; et in Te solum fixos habeam.
Esto, pater optime, propitius peccatis meis, et Iniquitatum meorum ne recordare amplius.
Cor mundum crea in me Deus, et Spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis. Ne projicias me à facie Tuâ; et Spiritum Sanctum Tuum ne auferas à me. Exaudi de habitaculo Tuo, Deus Israel, et propitiae Amen. Amen.

June 5. In manus resumpsi Historiolam Jacobi 11th dudâ (mente potius conceptam, quam) inchoatam; indies, donec perficiatur, elaborandum.

,, 12. habe ich mit dem H. Bishoff gespeiset zu Edenhal. ubi de vicaria suppleundâ (Mro Leigh nuper abdicato) frustrâ est Consultum.


July 10. With Mr. Lawson at Maburg (de quo quære, Annon potius Templæ sit coelo Dicatu quam, ad mentem C. Cambdeni, Propugnaeuli cujusvis Romani Rudera? Hanc enim mihi sententiam confirmant cum forma structuræ veteris tum erecti quatuor in medio Lapides maiores.)

,, 11. At Graystock with Mr Todd, Mr Ward &c on an Arbitration 'twixt Mrs. Williams & the Sequestrators. Woselbst es erklärt dasz H. W. Williams ein grosser Schelm wäre. Quôdquo ejusdem posteri hodiè è vicinorum Spoliis saginentur.


,, 17. Spazieren der H. Chancr. u ich nach Rose zu. Todulus accusatus de exposità malè precatiuncula—Cover His Head in the day of Battail.

,, 21. Zu Penrith; attending ye Deputy-Lieutenants about yir
,, 22. | Light-Horse.
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July 29. Zu Carlile. Renuit H. T. Præsentationē ad vicarii de Edenhal subscribere; quòd Deprivationē m∢ Leigh legalem non Agnovit.

Aug. 1. Zu Rose. u dabey der Todulus; welcher denegirt hat seine sündigkeit von dieser er accusirt wäre Jul. 17. At hoc, pro more suo, nimis insolenter; uti constabat.

6. I inducted Mr. Moon into ye vicaridges of Edenhal and Langwathby.

Sep. 13. At Rose. Der H. Bis’ sehr freundlich hat mich consulirt dass ich die Deanery oder wass falt suchen wen er (also bald, zu storbe. Ast Ego—vivitur exiguo melius. Et, Fœlix ille qui procul &c.!

14. Gepredigete bey mir—zu Salkeld Mr James Lason; non ita pridem Cordæ Selgovarum (i.e. ut ipse me docuit, zu Dumfrese) Moderator presbyterii sub Archiepiscopo Glasguensi. Before ye Church of Scotland was run down by ye Kirk.

15. Mrs. Williams conven’d at Hutton: and convinc’d.

19. Mr. Lason inform’d me of two Runic Inscriptions to be mett wth in Scotland. 1. The Letter’d stone in Eskdale-moor (within 3 miles of Hutton Church) in ye County of Annan. 2. In ye Church at Rothwald (alias Revel) in ye road frō Annan to Dumfrese. He gave me also ye Inscription on Mac-Duff’s Cross.

23. With Mr. Winder at Greystock and Johnby. Mrs. Williams sehr höflich nicht so Mab.

Oct. 6. Mr. Leigh wth me at Salkeld. Ill Leigh, qui quondam Dris Sherlock conversione Auditâ, ingennit multum. Neque enim sic omnibus amissa reddentur Beneficia.


IULIA AUGUSTA
PIETAS PUBLICA


Nov. 12. From Newby by Strickland. Th. Lawson assur'd me yt F. Molinos had written to W. Pen and G. Fox declaring himself a Brother.

"22. biss am 28 zn Carlile in Chapter. Leases granted to me of Prior-Hall and the Intacks at Farmanby: Quo jure, nondum constat. Upon the like bottom, ye Chancellr took a Lease of Coney-warrens &c.

The latter part of this volume contains a diary of 1702 (the first year of his Episcopate), which may be treated in a future article.

There are no regular diaries from the end of 1690 to the autumn of 1701, an interval which comprises nearly half of the printed volume of Bishop Nicolson's letters, as edited by John Nicols in 1809. Of this period there are only several almanacks containing a few accounts and memoranda, of which some may be noticed.

In 1692, he gives a copy of certain documents relating to the disfranchisement of Christopher Musgrave, Esq., by the Council of the City of Carlisle, and the action taken by the House of Commons therein.—See Chancellor Ferguson's *M.P.'s of Cumberland and Westmorland*, p. 69.

In 1694, he gives a list of the number of fornicators presented in the several Deaneries (58 in all), and adds:—

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In 1699, he gives the list of his servants, with the wages paid to them, on November 11:—

| Jane, a year                    | 02. 00. 00. |
| Will., half a year              | 02. 10. 00. |
| Barbary, a year                 | 01. 15. 00. |
| Mary, a year                    | 01. 06. 00. |

The thirteenth volume (a book bound in skin, similar to the first volume) contains a long account of his stay in
London from November 29th, 1701, till his return to Cumberland on March 13th, 1702. He was in London for the publication of his book, *The Scottish Historical Library*. He records at much length the contents of the various collections of fossils and coins which he examined. These are here omitted, and only extracts of more general interest are printed:—


" 23. Mr. Gibson, Acc’t of Address frô ye Council of Ireland agt Resumptions. Election of Convoc. men for London, 25 on each side. No Abjuration-Oath, but Renunciation. B. of S. very kind; some original Charters in ye hand of D. of Queensbury. Invited to see ye AB. of Philippopoli. Tho. Britain (a seller of small-coal, Char-coal & old-coal) a Bookish & Musical Gentleman. Mr. Harley (late Speaker) at Mr. M’s chamber. B. of Worcs† complimt to A. B. Sancroft; thanking God for ye takers of Oaths, for preservation of ye Ch. and ye Refusers, for suppressing of Atheism. Mr. Mountain bit by Sr W. Strickland. Virgil, read in a Coach. B. of Worcs agă,

Who sells ye Liveings that he can’t possess And farms yt Sine-Cure his Diocese.

Acts of this Speaker’s wth For wch of these do ye stone me.

" 27. Mr. Ferguson (at Coll. † Grahme’s) a true Churchman. Observ’d, yt Sr W. Temple, in his memoirs, had asserted yt ye K. of Fr. (in case of his getting Fl.) would never desire Holland: And Sr W. Jones (in his Oxford Speeches) maintains ye power of ye Commons to imprison. ’S Advice to ye K. to have Rewards & punishmts equally distributed. Din’d, at Mr. Jon. Watson’s, wth Sr C. M. and his two sons. Coll. Grahme to acknowledge yt his son had made a Trip in Hon’t. Sup’d wth W. Tullie, wth his Brs & Sisters, Mr. Pew, &c. great.

* The preacher at the annual festival of the Corporation of the Sons of the Clergy held in 1701 was Thomas Lamplugh, D.D., afterwards Prebendary of York. John Moore was Bishop of Norwich, 1691; of Ely, 1707; died 1714.
† William Lloyd, Bishop of S. Asaph, 1680; of Lichfield, 1692; of Worcester, 1699; died, 1717.
‡ Colonel James Graham, of Levens, second son of Sir George Graham, of Esk; brother of Viscount Preston and of William Graham, Dean of Carlisle; M.P. for Westmorland, 1708-1722.
Dec. 31. Sr C. M. carry'd me to Westminster & Cous. Relf brought me to ye Prince's chamber, where ye K. Rob'd & crown'd. He approv'd ye Choice of Mr. Harley; and spoke to both Houses wth a strong voice.

Jan. 1. Din'd wth Mr. Stanwix. Visited (a second time) by Sr Ph. Sydenham; who brought me an invitation to dine, ye next day, with my Ld President.

2. Beg'd leave of Sr C. M. to dine wth Ld P. Sr Ph. Sydenha's present of a deal of Tetrici &c. Otho, & other Counterfeits, at 8s 6d. nine in number. Din'd wth Ld president whose Coins &c. elsewhere, in this Book.

3. Din'd at Lambeth. Thank'd by A B. for my Answ. to Att. Got Mr. Elstob's Saxon Homily.

4. Pd my first visit, in ye evening to Mr. Evelyn; whence to Grey's Inn. Abjuration-Oath setled; pro tempore.

5. At Fulham. Ld Bishop's commands to come again wth Coll. Grahme. A B. Seller's History frō Mr. Burscough, at ye Vine. He ye Author of the pref. to Mr Gibson's Carmen Macaronicum.


8. From St Paul's (where I preach'd on ps. 5, 3,) to dine wth Sr W. Gore, Ld Mayor. NB Cut for ye stone. In ye evening, wth Dr Kennet at Mr Craddock's near Aldgate.

9. With Dr Woodward (Mr Dale & Mr Hare of ye Herald's Office) and Mr Child, St F's son, at Manwaring's.

10. After ye Speeches at ye prsentmt of ye prolocutor, dined wth Dr Wake,† Dr Kennet, Mr. West, Dr Mandevil. B. of Chichester§ story of Dr Att's prevarication wth him abt ye B. of Sarum's Sollicitations. — After Dinner to Lambeth:

* Thomas Tenison, Bishop of Lincoln, 1692; Archbishop of Canterbury, 1695; died, 1715. Francis Atterbury was at this time Preacher at the Rolls. He was Dean of Carlisle, 1704-1711; Dean of Christ Church, 1711-1713; Dean of Westminster, 1713-1723; Bishop of Rochester, 1713; deposed, 1723; died, 1733.
† Henry Compton, Bishop of Oxford, 1674; of London, 1675; died, 1713.
‡ William Wake, Dean of Christ Church; Rector of S. James', Westminster, 1694; Dean of Exeter, 1701; Bishop of Lincoln, 1705; Archbishop of Canterbury, 1715; died, 1737.
§ John Williams, Bishop of Chichester, 1695; died, 1709.
Mr. Gibson's first Letter for Cous. Pearson. NB The Oxford-Almanac for 1702.

Jan. 14. Mr Child's Coins view'd wth Mr. Dale; who gives an ill acct of Sr W. D's carelessness in Heraldry & Records, particularly, His Writs of Summons.

15. With Mr. Dale & Mr. Hare at ye Herald's office. New Draught of Arms & pedigrees very fine, at 401b & 151b. Thence to ye Tower; of wth elsewhere. — Din'd wth Drs Kennet, prideaux & Waugh. Mr. Ed. Stephen's Ded. of prayers for ye Dead &c. to ye D. of Cant.

16. With Dr. Johnston (Sr Ph. Syd. wth me) at my Lady Peterborough's. A deal of Collections, ill written & confus'd. A Ms. History in Engl. Meeter (Fol. in pergà). fro Brute to Edw. 2. mostly Affairs of ye British Kings, Arthur, &c with Merlyn's prophecies, &c. — Original Charters & grants, wth seals, sav'd by Mr. Dodesworth in 7 or 8 Drawers.


19. Din'd wth ye B. of Norw. Copy of L. Bede of abt 800 years old. His Library in five rooms, besides Closets.

22. Din'd wth ye B. of Worcester. Mr. Lloyd's Coins. Roman & Greek very numerous; especially in Brass. Class'd according to times of Consulships; and ye Gr. mark'd on ye years H M. H1. &c.


25. St Paul's day (clear) & first Sunday of the Term. Judges & Serjeants, in Scarlet, at St Paul's. Ld Mayr & B. of Lond. AB. of Philopopoli; attended wth a physitian (in red) & two persons in holy Orders: whereof one ask'd me why ye Convocation œ pray'd for as well as ye parliament. In ye Afternoon, Dr Trimnel preach'd on 1. Cor. 1. 21.

*William Pearson, R. of Bolton-Percy; Archdeacon of Nottingham, 1690; Sub-Dean of York, 1695; afterwards Chancellor of York: died, 1715. †Humfrey Humphries, Bishop of Bangor, 1689; of Hereford, 1701; died, 1712. John Evans, Bishop of Bangor, 1701; of Meath, 1715; died, 1724. Richard Bentley, D.D. (the well-known scholar), was Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, 1700-1742. The Dean of York was Thomas Gale, D.D., Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, Master of St. Paul's School, 1672; Dean of York, 1697-1702.
Jan. 26. Din’d wth my Ld Thanet; & good Resolutions taken (wth Coll. Grahme) for Appleby, by Manufactures &c. With Dr L. Dr Alston Dr Waugh & Mr Smith (of Qu.) at ye Vine.

" 29. Din’d wth Sr Rob. Southwel; who was enter’d at Q. Coll. in 1653. return’d fro his second Emb. in Portugal in 1669. Lewenhook’s great Discoveries in Semine animali. Sweden prov’d to be Plato’s Atlantis. Dr Sloan gives all his Salary to the Clerks, 50th. B. of Worcester gave me Dr Kennet’s History of ye late Convoc. and, returning home, I found another (gilt-paper "fro ye AB of C. Bp. of C’s Bill abt Melburn not like to pass easily.

" 30. Mr Gibson pr. at S. Bride’s on Eccles. 3. 8. good & Loyal. A present fro Dr Kennet (by ye penny-post) of his Hist. of ye late Convoc. With ye printer, in a Garret near Stocks-market. Remarks on ye Oxf. Almanack, & Dr Aldrich’s Verses on ye D. of Gloc. written on it.

Ne vel Roma suas Tamesinis jungeret undas,
Nec putrem inferret fceda Geneva lacum.

" 31. At ye Library at St James’s, wth Mr. Wanley. Dust & Babel. A Saxon B. of ye Gospels never compar’d by Junius. The Liber Medicinalis; its Catalogue gives ye names of yeir plants charms, &c. in it. Thoughts of printing 1000 copies of the Alexandrian Copy. — Din’d at Lambeth. A B’s stories of Dean Owen’s stealing ye powder fro ye Canons: And of Mr. Sheringham’s makeing a new Bible, in his studying Fits.

Feb. 1. Mr. Wanley din’d wth me at my Bsa. In love wth painting & Musick. History of ye Gr. Genesis, in Capitals, at Cotton’s Library. (I suppose ’tis in Dr Smith’s Hist. of ye Libr.) — From my Ld Thanet’s by Dr Lancaster’s to ye D. of Paul’s Lodgeings, at ye Temple wth Mr. Gibson. Resolutions there taken to protest on Tuesday, & to end ye Cause in Convoc.

" 2. Learn’d from Mr. Grey’s MS. of ye Writers of Scotland. — Ch. Lesley (Author of ye Regale &c.) 2d son of ye B. of

* It was customary for letters to or from the Archbishop of Canterbury to be written on gilt-edged paper. I am told that Archbishop Howley (Archbishop of Canterbury, 1828-1848) was the last who continued this fashion. "When Sir John Coleridge, father of the Lord Chief Justice, was a young man at the Bar, he wished to obtain a small legal post in the Archbishop’s Prerogative Court. An influential friend undertook to forward his application to the Archbishop. ‘But remember,’ he said, ‘in writing your letter that His Grace can only be approached on gilt-edged paper.’"—Collections and Recollections by one who has kept a Diary, p. 84. (Smith, Elder & Co.)
Clogher, who lived to 100 years, and (before ye Revolution) Chanc'r of the Cathedral of Connor. — The late D. of Lauderdale Author of the Pacquet of Advice to ye men of Shaftsbury. — The pref. to Rule's True Representation of Presbyt. Governmt (4th Edinb. 1690) saies, in the 3rd Edition, that it had undergone an Examen rigurosū of ye whole party.


8. I preach'd for Dr Birch, on 1. Cor. 11. 16. suppos'd to have design'd ye Sermon (made 17 years before) agt Dr Att. Waited after-noon on Capt. Hatton who gave Mr. Gibson & me ye State of Jacobit. presnted to ye Speaker's Story of the Frenchman's reckoning Brit. Cam. Spu and Thea. four Suffragan Sees in ye province of York. Another of Jos. Scaliger's learning Welsh frō ye preaching Linguist in Switzerland. After Mr. Jos. Smith's Sermon at Trinity-Chapple, to Grey's Inn: Sr C. M's stories of ye Bpps throwing out Mr Coke's Bill & ye petition for ye Ship; all party. With Tho. Bell till 10 at night. 's Acc' of Mr. Lesley's good temper.

9. At Dr Kennet's wth Dr Hickes & 's Lady. The Artificial Grate-Bellows Clergy & yir wives debate y'n selves. Din'd wth Dr Waugh. At ye Dean of St Paul's in ye Temple, wth Mr Gibson: an angry Acc' of Dr Beverage's trimming yt day, in Convocation; & declining to joyn in ye protestation wch he had before subscrib'd.

10. On Mr Cook's call, to Westm'r & gave my L'd's papers to ye B. of Lichf'd. Ch. Crow sure of ye Bprick of Raphoe. D. of Peterborough angry at ye Expedient of Dr Bev. Dr Nichols of Selsey, half ruin'd by ye Sea. promis'd a visit by Dr Bry. Dr Pelling's parish perverted to popery. Din'd (together wth Dr W.) at L'd Thanet's. In ye evening, Mr. Wotton's first visit: most welcome. Dr Caius's Translation of Celsus, a Blunder in Collier's Dictionary. Lady Thanet's observation of ye Apple-woman's knowing when ye H. of C. would sit late.


* Formerly Dean of Worcester, but deprived as a non-juror. The non-juring Bishops consecrated him as Suffragan Bishop of Thetford, with a view to keeping up the succession.
Her perfect acquaintance with ye members in ye H. of C. which went out, or stay'd in on ye Abjuration-Question.

Feb. 14. Call'd up by Cous. Suche, my young Valentine. Sat, ye first time for my picture. Met with Dr Chetwood at Sr C.'s chamber; who saies so help me God was borrow'd from ye Duellers. Din'd at Lambeth: where Acc of Convoc. prorogu'd (on ye occasion of the Prolocutor's Death) to Thursday next: but ye Lower House would return (as some did) and place Dr Finch in ye Chair. The Deanry of Salisbury rather given to Dr Mill, or Mr. Young than Dr Kennet. Mr. Savery's new Invention for raising of water, to an infinite heighth, by Heat and Rarefaction. His Engines carry'd water from ye Cellar (whither it was brought in pipes above forty yards) to ye Top of a high Brick-House near Dorset-stairs. Shewn to ye King at Hampton-Court, and highly approv'd.

"15. Preach'd for Dr. Kennet. Mr. Gibson, from Lambeth by ye Bridge. At night to wait on two Mrs. Musgraves, at my Lady Franklin's. Late afterwds with Mr. Charlwood.

"16. Carry'd Dr. J. Smith's Letter to Mr Wanley. At ye B. of R's. with Coll Graha. Miss'd of attending Ld Admiral with Dr Woodw. At night with Mr Doody, Mr Buddle & Mr Pettiver. Virtuosoes, Wild Sage supplies ye use of Hops. Assa foetida gently rubb'd on a Dish ye best Shalot.

"19. Presented my Scottish Library, early in the morning, to my Ld AB. of C. who was pleas'd to take notice that he had already read it (in loose sheets) & believ'd the best Historian in Scotland wd be instructed by it. Good things said of my Ld Tarbet, and ye late Sr Geo. Mackenzie; who, it seems, once us'd to run from ye Common-prayer; as Gen. Talmash told him. My Ld went, in hast, to the Convocation; in order to prorogue 'em, without choosing a new prolocutor.


"20. At night—With Dr Brown, till late. He acquainted me with Mr. Ch's true name being Curteine; & ye he had (he believ'd) laid out, as himself said, 5000th, in his Knacks.

*I do not know where this picture is. It cannot be the picture which was in the possession of Colonel Lindesay (of which there is a copy at Rose Castle), nor that now at Staffeld Hall, for both of these represent Nicolson in episcopal robes.
Alps have 7 or 8 good roads over 'em: Vallies of 100 Leagues, continual Snow, of 5 or 6 Layers of different years. Paduan Br's were Jews. Turks not prolific. Qu. if frō Coffee.

Feb. 21. Sat ye last time for my picture. At Sr. C.M's settling ye Bill ab't Colby-Leathes. In the evening takeing leave at Lambeth. AB's promises kind. Mr. Snow's frank Entertainm't of Dr Waugh, Mr. Gibson & me. The Vine in Long Acre is the Locus Synodi; where a Comittee of 16 Lower-House-men sat, all night, on lowering ye price of Claret. Dr. Maunder prol.

23. To Sr Ph. Sydenhā one Book for himself, and another for my Ld Admiral. Din'd wt' Dr Woodw'd at my brother's. In ye evening wt' Mr. S. Clark seeing ye Tiger & at ye Greyhound. Ar. Hall's Case.

24. At my Ld Longvil's wt' Mr. Wotton; gave His Ldsp my book. Ld Nott's Speech of 5 hours on ye Abjuration-Act. Mr. J. Smart's proportion of Taxes and Representatives: the 11 Northern and Western Counties 103 of 513 in Taxes, & send 216 members; whereas Essex and Middlesex 104 of ye Taxes, & only 16 members. From Mr. Thynn's to Ld Carlile's wt'h a Book. Din'd, wt' ye Warden of All Souls, &c. at Dr Lancaster's. Farewell at ye Fountain.

25. Begun my journey homewards. White-Chapple, ye Hospital for Seamen's Widows, by ye Society of Trinity-House. Introduc'd by R. Hood & ye Green-man to Epping-Forest, in view of Waltham-Abbey and Copt-Hall on ye left hand, & park-Hall (the E. of Anglesey's) and Hill-Hall (Sr Ed. Smith's) on ye right. At Bishop-Stafford all night. The new School, wt' Library & writing-School, over the Market-House, fine. The old Castle, or Fort, in the meadows. 25 m frō London.

Minr of both, Mr Fisher, not at home. Spent, at baiting, 1s. 6d. Thenceforwdrd. 12 m. (in all 37) to Bury S. Edmond’s. all curious sandy way.

Feb. 27. purchas’d of a Barber at Bury, Utensils for Trimming; A box, powder & Tuft, at 1s 2d. Bottle of Orange-oil, 8d. Ball & Box of Lignū vitae 1s. Bill, & servts, gs. 6d. Thence (8 miles, 4 good & as many abominably bad) to Brettenham, at Dinner: met wth Dr Batty, with Mr. Rivet and ’s Lady. The Cattle all red; and tips of wood on yr horns. Hawks and Fishponds; frō yr last, 240 carps to be deliverd, ye next month, to my Ld Gainsbrough’s order at Stamford: Not now worth above 30l tho’ as many sold formerly to Ld Arlington at one time as came (at 5s p pair) to 80l. Those at ye E. of Hereford’s near Ipswich, will come to a whistle; and these, at Bretenham, fly frō their feeders when ye great Clock strikes. All Houses moted round, to preserve water in ye Summer.

Mar. 1. Sr Geo. Weny, gave me a long History of his own Life & troubles; his keeping ye Royal Fort (his chamber, where Common-prayer was read) in Trinity-Coll, his travels, with Cavaliers, into Wales & Cornwall; his entrance on ye Estate 44 years ago, when 33, his sufferings by an eldest son (by a former Lady) who follow’d K. Ja. into Fr. turn’d Papist, & sold ye Reversion of ye Estate to Mr Shepherd ye Merch from whom Sr G. repurchas’d it, & setled it on ye eldest by this Lady, of much better Qualifications. Sr G. a gt eater of fruit, all his daies; and had pippins prscrib’d for ye circulated of his blood.

I preach’d twice at ye parish-church; worth about 80l. P. An. in ye gift of ye Ld Chanc or Keeper. Brettenhā has no footsteps of ye old Com-bretonium; nor is ye River Bretten (or so much as a Brook) near it. Red cows suppos’d to give the finest cream.

2. Sr G. W. a gt Correspondent wth Coleman, ye D. of Y’s martyr’d Secr. who was son of ye parson of Thorp near Brettenham, bred beyond seas; where he was perverted to popery, and (returning) brought over his mother & sisters. In K. Ch. 2’s time, he told Sr G. at his own Table, ye D. came to ye Crown, they must all be of his Religion. Several of Sr G’s Letters found in his Closet; at wth Ld Keeper North more startled than was needful. Din’d at Hitcham wth K. Ja’s Dr Batty, a gt master of Kt Errantry & ye makeing of Spirits out of Sider. Lost 2s to him at Tables. On our Return Mr. Wenevee communicated to me Notes for observeing the Quick-Silver-Weather-glass.
[Here are given at great length rules for foretelling the weather from the barometer (then a recent invention), substantially the same as the rules now in ordinary use.]

Mar. 3. Sr G. W. fish'd his gt pond of seven or eight Acres, the first day of three; and took (w th ye Drag & casting nets) about 400 carps, besides Jack, Tench, Roch and Bream. No Perch; tho' several put in. The Carps, of 14 Inches long, sold at 2 Guinneas a Score; much cheaper than formerly. Sometimes of 25 Inches, or more, in length. No pike ever yet seen of an Ell. The Carps will carry alive to London, in straw or Grass, without water. Usually convey'd in Waggons; four Hogsheads (of 80 fishes apiece) making a load. New ponds most hungry; till y9 old Mud comes to breed Insects. Sr Rob. Davers (a gentleman of y9 Riches in Barbadoes) at Dinner; a Baronet, & late Burgess for Bury, designing to stand for Knight of the Shire on Sr. S. Barnardiston's death. 2s at Tables. Belemnitæ in the sides of ye Pond, amongst ye Flints. The Carps make large Burrows in ye mud, when scared by nets &c. In ten or a dozen years at full growth. The best Goshawks fr0 Muscovy.

4. is 6d to ye Servts at Brettenham. Thence to Livermoor 10 m. to Brandon, 10 to Stoke, 8 to Downham, 5. in all 33. without baiting. The Roads, after ye first four miles, incomparably good; thro' an open & barren countrey, in the main, covered with Flints. Royston-Crows in this as well as other chalky parts. The Cathedral of Ely all day in sight; as formerly on ye road to Bury.

5. 10s at Downha. Thence to Wisbich 10 m. to Fleet (Dr Loddington's parsonage, worth 200b in his own gift) 10. to Sleaford (over ye Moss-Dike-wash) 20 long ones in all 40. Baiting at Fleet 2s 4d. Guide 6d. The Steeple at Boston, in view, above all ye neighbouring Spires. This day thro' the Fenn-Country. The Houses all of Clay or Brick, cover'd w th Reeds ridg'd w th mudd. But the Churches all fine, and Spir'd, of Free-stone very thick. Hemp & Flax ye chief Manufacture: ye former spread for drying. All at work, pilling and brocking of H. & Line. Sleaford belongs to Mr. Harvey of Bury; a nasty Town in ye streets. The

* Separating the boon or case from the flax by pilling (beating with a mallet) or by a break.
River springs only a mile above. Mr Brown (my Landlord) a man of Experience in ye wars; younglike, but above 40. The Liveing poor, not above 28th certain.

Mar. 6. 6s. 6d. at Sleeford. Thence (14 m) to Lincoln. The Church fine; wth curious picture in stone (of ye Resurrection, &c.) over ye doors. The Divil hugging y e Witch over a Spout on ye Southside of ye Quire: whence ye Divil ore Lincoln. The South & North Windows in ye Cross Ile, fine paint. Another Cross-Ile in ye Quire End; proper to Metrop. churches. Episcopus puerorum in a vault on ye South Side of ye Quire. Deans, Honeywood and Fuller; behind ye Altar. Tom a musical Tone; but less (by a foot in ye Diameter) than yt at Roan. Four Residentiaries; Dean, Chantor, Subdean & Chanc. Four Bishops on ye North-wall in ye Cross Ile of ye Quire—R. Grostest &c. Four Sen' Vicars have good Houses. A Fish-Dinner, &c. wth Mr. Smith, 5s. To Littleborough-Ferry 9 m. Boat 6d. To Bautree 9 m. in all 32. Fine Alabaster on a Hill betwixt Whateley and Low-wath, 5 m. frō Bautree. Vile road, for about 4 m. frō ye Ferry; stiff clay.

7. 6s. 6d. at Bautree. Thence to Ferry-bridge, 18 m. Baiting 2s. 6d. To Bolton-Percy, 10 m. in all 28.

8. I Preach'd for Cous. P. The Church well built, as ye P. House. In ye Windows, Ne facies; under three Bishops, formerly call'd Saints. A fair Monum't for Ferd. Ld Fairfax of Cameron; Father to the Gen'. Old Mr. Snow acquainted AB. tillotson y t AB. Sheldon was marry'd. AB. Stern's Reasons agt Prebendl's &c. being oblig'd to Read prayers, according to ye Act of Uniformity.

1. Not included under ye Denomination wch belongs to inferiour Degrees.
2. They belong to ye Cathedral, & not it to them.
3. Bps. do it not.
4. 'Twas impossible they should all read before Bartholomew-Tide; if each had his Sunday; nor could ye prben-daries of Salisbury do it in a year.
5. Most haveing neglected it, all Grants frō Cathedrals would be void. &c.

These Reasons approv'd by Ld Chief Justice Holt. Sub Dean of Y. penitentiary to ye AB. and ye Clergy of his Diocese.

NB. Ann daughter of Sr Nicholas Curwen of Workington bury'd in the Cathed. of Lincoln. A.D. 1609.

*It was a Friday in Lent.
Mar. 9. To Bishopthorp 7 m. Ld AB. * pleas’d wth my Ded. Enquiry how his Son voted in parl’. Dr Brersey’s Funeral at St John’s in York. 23 Coaches, Rings, &c. With Mr. Stephenson, seeing his pictures of Mr Halley, Mrs Grahme, (my Ld P’s. third daughter) &c. In the evening at ye Coffee house (drinking wine) wth Cous. P. Mr. Terrick, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Wickham &c. Good discourse on o’ Laws, & Ap. Tyaneus’s Hist. being written 100 years after his death.

Sup. & Lodg’d at Mr. Chancr’s. Mr H’s punn on Mr Fish wth ye 6d in his mouth for the Groom at Bishopthorp. Rep. Tis for thee & me

10. News of ye Kg’s death. The first Lesson Moses’s going off; before ye comming at ye promis’d Land. St Mary’s (without ye Gate) a parish-church of ye same stone &c wth ye Abbey. With Cons. Noble & S. Usher. After Dinner, wth ye Dean. Antonine’s Itin. an old Copy in Mr. Selden’s hand wth notes, such a place (as Castra Explorat. &c.) ad latus. Engl. Transl. of ye Bible faulty in mistakes of Appellatives for proper names &c. Translations (all) too Verbal. To enq. for Ld Preston. Lady M. Fenwick’s great Improvemts of her House; & good designs for ye pulpit in ye Minster. After prayer in ye Evening, wth Dr Stainforth. My mistake on ye AB’s Adjournmts. The Act alwaies sign’d (after read by himself or Commissioners) by the A.B. At night, ye Gates lock’d (before 7) by Order of ye Ld Mayor; & watches set. Certain news of ye King’s death; by Capt. Kemp.

11. 6s to ye Servts at Dr Watkinson’s; and 5s to my Cons. Pearson’s. Cons P. Mr. Noble & E Orfeur set me to Helperby; where not suffer’d to pay more than 1s for the Horses. From York to Helperby 12. m. thence to ye Salutation, ’twixt Leming & Catterick, 14, in all 26.

12. 6s. at ye Salutation. Thence to Greateabridge 14 m. baiting, 2s. The following Monum’t in Mr Robinson’s yard at Rokesby, near Gr. bridge—recommended by ye D. of York.

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Thence to Burgh 17 m. in all 31. Mr. Fisher not dejected at ye change of o’ Governour in ye State; but offended at ye Alteration of Choice for members of Convoc. Mr. Denton like enough to recover. Censures on Mr. Br’s familiarity wth Mrs. W. his Atheistical Discourse, &c.

*John Sharp, Dean of Canterbury, 1689; Archbishop of York, 1691; died, 1714.
BISHOP NICOLSON’S DIARIES.

Mar. 13. Dr. Tilham (soliciteing (for any thing, presently) for his Son. Sp. 6s. 6d. Thence to Appleby 6. m. by ye Vicarage of Warcop. Mr. Banks directed to pray for ye Queen; and her Health drunk wth ye Aldermen. Pd for Jo’s Quaterage; & given in the House 2s. nothing allow’d to be spent in the Inn. Thence 10. m. home; by Kirkbythore, where Mrs Wickins beginning her Labour at ye end of mine.

Here the Diary ends for the time: and it is not renewed till Nicolson was made Bishop. This therefore appears to be a fitting end for my present paper.

NOTES ON SOME MEMBERS OF THE NICOLSON FAMILY.

The Nicolson (or Nicholson?) family had been for some time connected with Carlisle. Ambrose Nicholson, admitted to the Merchants’ Guild, 1612, one of the eleven Aldermen named in the “Governing Charter,” and Mayor 1635, appears to have been an ancestor.†

Joseph Nicholson, the Bishop’s grandfather, was of Averas Holme (called in the Ordnance Survey “Ambrose Holme”) on the river Eden, opposite Park Broom. He married Radigunda Scott, heiress of Park Broom in Stanwix. ‡ The Bishop mentions several cousins of the name in his Diary, but I am not able to say exactly how they were related to him. Three, who are most frequently named, were James and William Nicholson of Carlisle, and James Nicholson of Penrith.

(1) James Nicholson, of Castlegate, Carlisle, was appointed Town Clerk in 1666, was a member of the Corporation in 1681, and was Mayor 1689 and 1699. The names of several of his children occur in the Register of S. Mary’s. Arthur was buried in March 1678, John was baptized in March 1648, Mary in June 1673, James in May 1676, Jeremy in January 1684. A son Joseph is also mentioned.

* The Bishop himself always spelt the name “Nicolson.” In the case of his cousins, it was usually spelt “Nicholson.”
† See the Diary, July 3, 1706. “The last scraps of Ambrose Nicolson’s lands.”
‡ The tithes of Linstock were leased 1661 to Radigunda Scott of Park Broom, widow: lease renewed 1668 and 1680 to Joseph Nicolson, Clerk, son of the said Radigunda, and Mary his wife; renewed 1686 to William Nicolson, Archdeacon of Carlisle, and Elizabeth his wife. (Bishop Nicolson’s MSS.)
JOSEPH NICOLSON = RADIGUNDA SCOTT
of Averas Holme. | of Parkbroom.

JOSEPH NICOLSON = MARY,
R. of Plumbland. | d. of John Brisco
of Crofton.

WILLIAM = ELIZABETH
NICOLSON = ARCHER.
Bishop of Carlisle.

A daughter = PAGETT
(mentioned in Diary
Jan. 16, 1691).

JOSEPH = MARY —
Apothecary,
of London.

JOHN = MARY —
Chapter Clerk and Registrar
of Diocese.

ELIZABETH =
FRANCES
GRACE =
1 Rev. N. Spooner
2 Ed. Carlile
(unmarried
May 8, 1655).

THOMAS = JOSEPH
d. young.
Chancellor
of Lincoln.

JOHN = Rev. T. Benson
a clergyman in Ireland.

MARY = Rev. T. Benson
Prebendary of Carlisle.
(no issue).

CATHERINE =
unmar. in
1777.

ELIZABETH = Rev. B. Mauleverer
Anne = — Bolton, Esq.
Susanna
d. unmar.

[Diagram continues with more generations and relationships.]
in the Diary, July 26, 1708. James Nicholson's second marriage in 1690 (when Mayor of Carlisle) to Mrs. Sarah Bendish is recorded in the Penrith Registers. He was Chapter Clerk and Registrar of the Cathedral 1668-1698; in 1698 his name ceases to appear in the records of the Chapter. He was buried at S. Mary's, July 31, 1708:* Mrs. Sarah Nicholson in Nov. 1723.

On Dec. 14, 1698, and again on March 7, 1699, a second James Nicholson, "Notary Public of the City of Carlisle," wished to be appointed Chapter Clerk, and the Patent for his appointment was written out in the book of Chapter Records.† But on both occasions the Chapter refused to appoint him: the Patent was crossed out in the book; and on Sept. 5, 1699, the Chapter appointed John Nicolson of Rose Castle (brother to Bishop Nicolson, then a Prebendary), who had been made Registrar of the Diocese in 1691.

(2) William Nicholson, of Fishergate, Carlisle, Merchant, apparently brother of the above James Nicholson,‡ was admitted into the Merchants' Guild, 1663, was a member of the Corporation in 1681, and was made Clerk of the Merchants' Guild 1698. He was Mayor 1688, 1692, 1701, and 1711.§ His first wife died Sept. 1676, and in 1677 or 1678 he appears to have married an Aglionby, sister of John Aglionby, the Recorder.|| This must have been either Jane or Isabel, mentioned in the Aglionby pedigree in Whellan; he is several times mentioned in the Diary in connection with the Aglionby family. His children, recorded in the S. Mary's Register, were Mary, buried April 1673; Grace, baptized April 1674; Dorothy, buried January 1684; Jane, baptized March 1675; and Isabella, baptized March 1683. Of them, Isabel married in 1710 Joseph Jackson, who died 1732; and, besides three sons who died without children, they had one daughter Margery Jackson, formerly a noted character in Carlisle. William Nicholson was buried at S. Mary's, March 30, 1718. By his will he left all his property to his youngest daughter Isabel, wife of Joseph Jackson, subject to an annuity of

* His will appears in the index of the Court of Probate at Carlisle: but it is not now to be found in the Registry.
† I conjecture that this may have been James Nicholson the younger, born 1676, and that he expected to succeed his father.
‡ James and William Nicholson, both of Carlisle, had a lease in 1679 from the Dean and Chapter of Tithe at Little Salkeld. (Bishop N's Miscellany Accounts, p. 171.)
§ The Bogg in Crossby was leased by Bishop Rainbow in 1668 to William Nicholson of Carlisle, Merchant, for the lives of the said William Nicholson, Anne his wife, and James Nicholson of Carlisle, Gent. (Bishop N's MSS.)
|| See Memoir of Margery Jackson, the Carlisle Miser, by F. Blair, published by R. & J. Steel, Carlisle.


James and William Nicholson were appointed Aldermen under the charter of Charles II., 1684. But on March, 1684, Sir John Lowther wrote to Sir D. Fleming with regard to the arbitrary changes made by James II., "I hear that all the Aldermen of Carlisle are to be changed save Mr. Warwick and Basil Fielding. The Reformation of Corporations goes on vigorously." And on March 16, 1687, Bishop Smith wrote, "Four of the Carlisle Aldermen have been displaced, viz., Sir Christopher and Sir George and the two Nicholsons. In their place are put Sir Francis Salkeld, Mr. William Howard, Ralph Crofts, and Joseph Reed, this last being made Mayor in the place of William Nicholson." On December 7, 1692, John How, senior, William Nicholson, Robert Jackson, senior, Thomas Jackson, and Edward Monkhouse were brought to the bar of the House of Commons on their knees, and reprimanded by the Speaker, in the matter of the disfranchisement of Christopher Musgrave. It would therefore appear that William Nicholson then belonged to the Lowther or Whig party in Carlisle.

Another cousin, often mentioned in the diary, was James Nicholson, of Penrith, an attorney. His mother, Mary Nicholson, of Linstock Castle,* was alive in 1705, as appears by the diary of May 14 and July 14 in that year. He owned a tenement at Parkbroom, and was lessee of Linstock under the Bishops of Carlisle. He married Bridget, daughter of Thomas Fetherstonhaugh of the College, Kirkoswald, by his second wife Mary, daughter of Henry Dacre, of Lanercost. The Penrith registers contain the baptism of several of their children, viz., in 1681 Featherston (often mentioned in the later volumes of the diary), in 1683 Charles (whom the Bishop calls his godson), in 1686 Mary, in 1690 Grace and Jane (twins), in 1692 Bridget.

The registers of S. Mary's and S. Cuthbert's, Carlisle, contain many other entries of the name of Nicholson; but there does not seem to be any reason for connecting them with the Bishop's family.

The chief authorities for the pedigree are Whellan (p. 166), Nicolson and Burn, the Bishop's will, Joseph Nicolson's will, the Dalston Registers (C. and W. Transactions, vol. vii.), the registers of S. Mary, Carlisle, and Bishop Nicolson's letters edited by J. Nichols.

* Linstock Castle was leased by the Bishop of Carlisle in 1663 to Robert Nicholson, gent., son of James, the former possessor, during the lives of James, son of Robert; Mary, his daughter; and James, son of Richard Nicholson, of Brunstock. The fishing was leased in 1678 to Mary Nicholson, widow of the said Robert.—Bishop Nicolson's MSS.