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A COMPUTUS ROLL OF THE RECEIPTS OF GLASTONBURY ABBEY IN THE YEAR 1515.

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Computus fratris Ricardi Whityng¹ Receptorum Casuallium (Domino Abbati de) Glastonia provenientium a festo Sancti Michaelis Archangeli Anno Regis (Henrici) septimo Et anno Domini Ricardi Beer² Abbatis xxiiit^{to} usque ad (idem) festum tune proxime sequens. Videlicet per unum Annum integrum.

Nota. De remananto nihil causa patet in Rotulo Comptotus Anni precedentis.

		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Recepta denariorum pro Baroniis.	De preposito Glastonie	- xxij	v	i
	De preposito de Weston ³	- xij	v	ij
	De preposito de Othery	- vij	x	vij
	De preposito de Myddelowsy	vij	iiiij	xi
	De preposito de Mells	- xxij		
	De preposito de Wryngton	- xxvij	xvij	
	De preposito de Southbrent	xvij	xij	
	De preposito de Lympleshame	vij	ij	vj obq
	De preposito de Barghes	- xi	xj	ij
	De preposito de Estbrent	- xxix	vij	inj
	De preposito de Asshecote		xxx	vij
	De preposito de Storminster	xxv	vij	vij
	De preposito de Strete		lv	
	De preposito de Baddebury		xx	
	De preposito de Asshebury	vi	iiij	xj
	De preposito de Uplyme	- xv	xij	vi
	De preposito de Kyngton	- xiiij	xvj	i
	De preposito de Buclond	- xix	ix	i
	De preposito de Cristomalford	xv	vi	v

¹ Richard Whityng, the last Abbot of Glastonbury, whose execution in 1539 is so well known, appears to have been at this time the Bursar, or *Thesaurarius*, under his predecessor, Richard Beer.

² Richard Beer was installed in 1492. Thus Michaelmas, in his 23rd year, i.e.

1515, would synchronize with Henry VIII's 7th, ending April 21, 1516.

³ All these manors are easily recognized by any one acquainted with the topography of Wiltshire, Somerset, and Dorset.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
De preposito de Nettelton -		ciiij	ix
De preposito de Graynton -		xli	xi
De preposito de Idmyston -	xijj	ix	ij
De preposito de Hame -	iiij	iiij	
De preposito de Withies -		v	
De preposito de Grutelyngton		vij	xi
De preposito de Wynterborne		vij	v
De preposito de Myddleton		xxijj	iiij
De preposito de Domerhamme	xlij	xv	xi
De preposito de Markesbury		xxxvi	i
De preposito de Walton		cij	ix
De preposito de Northelode		xxij	x
De preposito de Shapewyke	xvijj	vij	vij
De preposito de Estpennard		lix	ijj
De preposito de Godenhay		liijj	iiij
De preposito de Baltonsbrugh	xi	xix	x
De preposito de Badecombe		xxxvj	x
De preposito de Pulton -	xxx	xvij	ij
De preposito de Doultyng		lvij	ijj
De preposito de Buddeclegh	iiij	ix	ij
De preposito de Dychesyate		c	vj
De preposito de Marnhull	xvj	xijj	vij
De preposito de Westpennard	vij	xvijj	iiij
De preposito de Mere -	vj	xij	
De Ballivo Villæ Glaston -	vi	xvij	v
De Ballivo Villæ de Newton		cvi	vj
De Ballivo Villæ de Whitleigh	ix	iiij	xj
De Ballivo Villæ de Whitstone	xi	ijj	vj
De Ballivo Villæ de Brente -	vij	vij	ix
Sum' ccccoij th xv ^d q. ¹			

Exitus personatum.	De exitu personat' de Sowy	lxxij	iiij	ob
	De ffirma personat' de Budleigh	-	xij	
	De ffirma personat' de Baltonsbrugh	vij	x	
	De ffirma personat' de Doultyng	xvij	xiij	iiij
	De ffirma personat' de Domerhamme &			
	Merton	-	xxij	vj
	Sum' exxxij ^{li} xiijs ob.			vij

Recepta foris. De Laurencio Dovell pro 52 pellibus	7	16	0
boum pretium cujuslibet 3 ^s			
Et de eodem pro 13 pellibus Boviculorum	1	6	0
pretium cujuslibet 2 ^s			
Item de eodem pro 73 pellibus Vitulorum	12	2	
pretium cujuslibet 2 ^d			
Item de Thoma Mayow pro 14 duodenis & 3	2	4	2
pellium ovium a festo Sancti Michaelis Arch.			
usque festum Carniprivii pretium duodenæ			
3 ^s 1 ^d			

¹ The sum total of these figures, as they stand here, does not quite come out accurately: but there are some so faint in

	<i>l<i>l</i>.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Item de Willielmo Edwards pro 12 duodenis & 6 pellium ovium a festo Paschæ usque festum Natale Sancti Johannis Baptistæ pretium duodenæ 10 ^d		10	5
Item de eodem pro 12 duodenis & ij pellium ovium A festo Nat. Sti Johannis Baptistæ usque festum Sti Mich. Arch. pretium duodenæ 21 ^d	1	1	1½
Item de eodem pro 16 pellibus Agnellorum		1	0
De Incremento granorum in la Southend hoc Anno	23	0	5
De exitu Scabellorum (?) ¹ Glastoniæ hoc anno	1	3	4
De fratre Roberto Clerk pro redditu unius Hospicii in London infra Newgate ibidem vocati le Crowne, viz., pro termino nativitatis Sti Johannis Bapt. in Anno Domini Ricardi Beer Abbatis Glastoniæ decimo nono	1	5	0
De eodem pro redditu dicti Hospicii pro Annis 20 ^{mo} & 21 ^{mo} dicti Domini Abbatis, viz., pro duobus Annis integris	8	13	4
De exitu terræ et tenementi nuper Nicholai Baronis in Langleigh in manu ² domini existentium eo quod heres ejus infra ætatem existit	1	10	0
De exitu terrarum et tenementi nuper Petri Knoyle in Myddelton Podymore in manu Domini existentium ratione minoris ætatis Leonardi filii et heredis dicti Petri hoc anno	1	6	5
De exitu terrarum & tenementi nuper Johannisi Gerard in Asshecote simili modo in manu Domini existentium hoc anno		7	4
De exitu terrarum & tenementi nuper Johannisi Basyng in Estpennard ratione minoris ætatis Willielmi filii & heredis predicti Johannisi ultimi 13 ^a 4 ^d solutis Thomae Hymerford pro quadam annua pensione sibi per Cartam indentatam dicti Johannisi concessam. Et ultra 13 ^d solutis militi de Templecombe, viz., pro capitali redditu		1	17
Et ultra 18 ^d quod Dominus perdonavit Johannii Adams de parte redditus sui hoc anno. Et ultra 8 ^d solutis ad hundredam de Whitestone pro secta sua ibidem boum ³ (?) per Annum relaxata		4	

¹ This word might be *Scabelli*, or *Scabellorum*. A conjecture has been made that it might be the *Shambles*. Du Cange, however, gives no such interpretation of the word : though he appears to identify it in one sense with *Scamellum*, a foot-stool. His main sense is, "Modus agri, quantum uno die excoli potest." Had the

Abbot anticipated the idea of Cottage Allotments ?

² This word is a conventional abbreviation in the original, possibly for "custodia."

³ I am at a loss to decypher this word. Might it not be a service of so many days oxen for ploughing due to the Abbot ?

li. s. d.

De exitu terrarum et ten ¹ nuper Thomæ Samwell de Mells ratione minoris ætatis Johannæ filiæ & heredis ejusdem Thomæ. Viz: in Anno Dom ⁱ Ricardi Beer Abbatis 22 ^{do} 111 ^s 10 ^d	£	s.	d.
Et non plus in illo Anno, quia per mortem Johannis Turner nuper Collectoris reddituum ibidem perduntur £4 8s 11d eo quod idem Johannes tempore mortis suæ non habuit bona nec Catalla alicujus valoris ad satis- faciendum, &c.	5	6	10
Et de exitu terrarum et ten ¹ nuper predicti Thomæ Samwell ratione minoris ætatis Jo- hannæ filiæ et heredis ejusdem Thomæ hoc Anno.	10	0	6
De Johanne Foxe Custode ¹ Sygnorum domini apud Mere pro 5 Sygnis ibidem venditis premium capitis 3s 4d hoc anno	16	8	
De Camerario ² Glastoniæ et cæteris Officiariis ex parte Conventus pro Camera Domini, Cultellis, Speciebus, et aliis Domino debitibus hoc Anno	10	6	8
De Johanne Hayward pro Anguillis provenienti- bus de exitibus Gurgitum de Haccheswere & Whitteswere venditis hoc anno.	14	0	0
De eodem pro aliis piscibus Domini Abbatis apud Mere venditis hoc Anno	5	0	0
De eodem pro Anguillis vocatis Snyggs ³ Ven- ditis ibidem hoc anno.	3	13	4

¹ There can be no reasonable doubt that this must be the Swanherd at Mere, but why cygnus should be spelt with an "S" I know not. ("C" is often put for "S," and so the converse may be the case).

² It is hard to understand why the *Camerarius*, who had charge of the dormitory, should pay the Abbot for its use,

or the *Cellarius* for the knives, spices, &c.

³ Snyggs, I presume to be a smaller sort of eel. "Snigging for eels" was a kind of fishing not unknown, at least to the last generation: Halliwell has, "Snig, a small eel, North." The text proves that it was "South," too.