

ART. IV.—*Sebergham Parish Registers.* By M. E. KUPER.
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IF we knew nothing of Sebergham parish, and happened to peruse these registers, what should we learn? The place name Sebergham, Seburgham, or Sebram, might or might not recall the sives or rushes supposed by the old historians to have suggested the word “Sievy ham.” A family in the neighbourhood is found named Sevithwaite, which perhaps confirmed them in their mistake. Mr. Robert Ferguson, F.S.A., writes on this subject :

The most common factor according to my judgment in the formation of local names, is the name of a person, presumably the occupier or founder ; and especially, I think, in names ending in “ham” ; for what can be so naturally associated with a “home” as the name of the person whose “home” it was. I think then that Sebergham may reasonably be taken to be the home of “Seberg” or “Siburg”, a name which we find both among the Anglo-Saxons and among the Franks. In the latter case (which perhaps upon the whole may be under the circumstances the more probable) it would of course have been brought over by the Normans, among whom many old Frankish names were current. Names ending in “burg” were as a general rule those of women, and there is no reason why Sebergham should not have been founded by a woman ; but I apprehend the rule was not a hard and fast one.

Glancing over the ancient records, the stranger would gather that he was reading of a very countrified place, containing such pleasant spots as these—Grassgarth, Grassing House, Greens, Kell Springs, Brothey Beck, Rattle Beck, Cow Gill, Gill-whins, Monkhouse Hill, Stur-mires, Birch Rigg, Lonning Foot, and Paper Gills. Query: does not this come from some old Irish missionary who settled in Inglewood Forest, and was called “Papa” by the scanty inhabitants of the district. There is a Paper
Meadow

Meadow in Cardewlee.* Jack Gate, Tobit Hill, and Long Tom Rigg, represent the class of personal names.

Our countrified district, we may easily divine, is near the fells, as such names as Warnell Fell, Height, and Mountain-under-Brow plainly show, and in the vicinity of some old convent, which gave its outposts the names of Friar Hall and Abbots, reminiscences as we know of the ancient priory of Caldbeck.

1796 Banns of Marriage between Allan Scott of this Parish (of Friar Hall) and Jane Priestman of the Parish of New Church were published in this Church three several Sundays namely February 21st 28th and March 6th by me John Stubbs Assistant Curate. Married at New Church.

And we may conclude that we are near the Borders of Scotland when we read of Scotts, Macdonalds, McLeods, Wallaces, Grahms, and Cohons, of Elliots and Armstrongs.

The occupations of the people were innocent. They were yeomen, farmers, labourers, colliers (a colliery was worked in the last century on Warnell Fell), weavers, millers, fiddlers, grocers, tailors, basket makers, dish thrower† (whatever that may mean), and dealers in earthenware; very often they combined two or three trades.

1798 April 3rd. Isabella Daughter of Joseph Pugmire of Welton Yeoman Grocer and Taylor and of Isabella his wife late Stalker, bp. 1796 September 7th. Mr. Robert Clarke of Sebergham Bridge End Bleacher, Miller, Yeoman and Householder aged 67 years. Br. Same day. George Underwood of Greens in the Parish of Castle Sowerby Joiner Farmer and Bacon Dealer aged 34 years.

* Some of these places are in the neighbouring parish of Castle Sowerby. It seems to have been by means of these Irish hermits that the fierce Scandinavians, who settled in the islands of the Scottish coast, were brought to submit to the gentle influences of Christianity. The Norse name for these anchorite fathers was Papar. Three islets among the Hebrides, two among the Orkneys, two in the Shetlands, and others in the Faroes, and off the coast of Ireland bear the names of Pabra or Papa, the Father's isle. In the Mainland of Orkney, and again in South Ronaldshay, we find places called Paplay, the "hermit's abode," and at Enhallow, and at one of the Papas in the Orkneys, the ancient cells are still preserved. *Words and Places*, p. 356. The Rev. Isaac Taylor, M.A.

† Probably turners of wooden platters &c. To throw "is to turn wood for cups &c. A turner's lathe is still called a *throwe*." Halliwell's *Dictionary of Archaic, &c., Words*. EDITOR.

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They baptized their sons Jackey and Dickey, Isaac, Mungo, Tommy and Harry, and their daughters, Jinny, Letty, Mally, Susie, Matty, Nancy, Dolly, Rosey, Betty, Peggy; a twin son and daughter would often be Joseph and Mary; Lettice, Letitia or Letty, once spelt simply Lett, and meaning joy, gladness, was a very favourite name, owing perhaps to the fact that Thomas Denton of Warnell, a member of the principal family of the place, who died in the great civil war, 1643*, married Lettice, daughter of John Lougher, Esq., of Stafford; and his successor, also a Thomas Denton,† also espoused a Lettice, daughter of Thomas Vachell, Esq., of Cawley, co. Berks.

And we might suppose the scenery to be pleasant and the air healthy, when we read repeatedly of business men retiring here from distant cities, of veterans spending their last years among these “siti amenissimi,” as the Italians would call the banks of the Caldew.

1782 October 10th. George Cape formerly of London Vintner but 20 years of late resident in Sebergham aged 70 years—he died at his relation’s Mr. Robson’s Grassgarth.

1793 October 4th. Died Mr. William Scott of Sebergham Church Town Yeoman at 4 o’clock afternoon, Buried Tuesday 8th at Caldbeck. He was born at Branthwaite Caldbeck, and acquired a great Fortune in Merchandise at Whitehaven by the fairest conduct, purchased the estate of late John Sanderson‡ of this village and had for 17 years retired from Business—aged 71 years. Br.

The burial entry of his wife is worth recording :

1803 December 10th. Died Mrs. Ann Scott Relict of the late Mr. William Scott of Sebergham village yeoman and buried December 14th following at Caldbeck aged 76 years. Exemplary, good in her Conduct and Charitable.

* Whellan’s Cumberland, 249.

† Portraits of the second Thomas Denton and Letitia Vachell are in the Town Hall, Carlisle.

‡ Mr. John Sanderson, of Sebergham Church Town, married Miss Sarah Scott, of Caldbeck. Their son was Thomas Sanderson, the poet.

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There is an account of the worthy, whose biography follows, in Hutchinson's History of Cumberland, vol. II., p. 424.

Buried 1797. Duncan Robinson from Warnel Fell aged 100 years. November 22nd. He was born in Scotland, 1697. He bore arms for George I. in the Rebellion 1715. He was in all the Wars, Battles, and Sieges that Great Britain was engaged in till 1760. In 1766 he came into this Parish as a Labourer in the enclosure of the Commons. He had a Pension from Chelsea College of about £6 11s. per Ann. his sole support in the dreary days of his Infirmary. He was intelligent and related with strict historic truth the hardships of many a rough Campaign. He mixed in Civil Life with most pacific Disposition and Benevolence and died truly respected and lamented.

1796 April 6th. John Rawlins of Cauda Beck Householder and Pauper aged 88 years. He was at the battles of Dettingen and Fountenoy. br.

1781 April 8th. William Son of Turkwill McLeod a Military Person and Margaret his Wife. bp.

We must remark also, as in the case of Duncan Robinson, the great ages attributed to people, specially to paupers.

1773 August 18th. John Coulthard a Pauper from the Hamlet of Braithwaite aged 85 years. Br.

1775 January 29th. Mary Wilson of Braithwaite a poor Woman maintained by the Hamlet of Braithwaite aged 80. Br.

1792 February 1st. Charles Stewart formerly of Jack Gate Castle Sowerby Potter and Householder, but now from the Poor House Castle Sowerby, a Pauper aged 76 years.

1793 July 7th. Jeremiah Gibson of Fell Hill Warnel Fell Householder, Labourer and Pauper aged 80 years.

He was what in some counties they would call "an old standard." His name often occurs.

1797 January 20th. George Ellwood from the Parish Poor House at Welton a Parish Pauper aged 86 years.

1801 July 5th. Ann Barker Relict of the late Isaac Barker a Parish Pauper and she likewise. Aged about 80 years.

1805 February 2nd. Mr. Thomas Wilkinson of Kirr Rigg in the Parish of Castle Sowerby Yeoman aged 100 years.

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We may however infer that the climate was trying to delicate people.

1803 August 19th. Robert son of Mr. Robert Jefferson of Bulman Hill Yeoman and of Betty his Wife aged 23 years. He possessed a most excellent heart and was plagued before Death with a long and deep consumption upon his lungs.

1803 November 21st. Bella or Isabella Wife of Joseph Pugmire of Welton Yeoman and Grocer aged 34 years. The mother and the child are huddled to the grave. The mother by a deep consumption.

Then a virulent disease would visit the place.

1776 January 3d. Henry and Jane Son and Daughter of John Stoddart of Lime Kiln Nook Farmer and Elizabeth his Wife. The Boy was aged 1 year. The Daughter 2 years. Both died of the small pox from Sowerby.

1800 January 2nd. John son of Thomas Pool of Sowerby Row Farmer and of Isabella his Wife aged 22 years.

1800 January 5th. Thomas Pool of Sowerby Row Farmer and Householder aged 66 years Castle Sowerby. N.B.—This last, the Father and his two sons* died all in the course of a Week in a most malignant and terrible fever. Originally the Family was of Sebergham.

The very earliest entry in the first book of the registers, concerns this family.

Thos. Pool the sone of Thos. Pool was Baptized on ye 29 day of September 1699.

Accidents and glimpses of household tragedies sadly relieve the monotony of many a page.

1782 May 6th. James Irving from Durnock Scotland Labourer, aged 54 years. He died suddenly at William Clarkson's.

1782 May 27th. Jonathan Barker Junior of Beethwaite Westward Labourer and Householder aged 50 years. He dropt down dead at Sebergham Bridge End.

1785 June 2nd. James Robson Junior of London Esquire killed by a fall from his Horse aged 20 years.

* Only one is mentioned.

His epitaph is in Hutchinson's History of Cumberland, vol. II., p. 421.

1788 May 29th. Robert Clark of Brothey Beck yeoman Householder and Bachelor aged 51 years. Killed by the overturning of a Cart. Alass.

As a pendant to this see the following :

1775 May 24th. John Ritson of Welton Widower and Weaver aged 71 years. Br.

1788 July 13th. Robert Galloway of Welton Householder Shopkeeper and Yeoman aged 44 years. Killed by an unruly Horse running away with his Cart.

1788 November 2nd. William son of Robert Galloway late of Welton yeoman and grocer and Ann his wife (late Clarkson) Posthumous Baptised.

1788 December 4th. William Dobson of Warnel Householder and Labourer aged 55 years. Bur.

1789 February 8th. Peggy Wife and Relict of William Dobson late of Warnel Labourer and Householder aged 40 years. She survived her husband 9 weeks.

1789 February 9th. Benjamin son of William Dobson late of Warnel Labourer and Householder and Peggy his late Wife aged 4 weeks. Bur.

Crime was not frequent. There are one or two dark hints.

1793 May 17th. Ann Daughter of Jane Parsley baptized in Carlisle jail.

1793 May 27th. Peggy Daughter of Mark Grisdale of New Church in the Parish of Greystoke Shoemaker and Helen his Wife (late Greenhow) baptized in Carlisle gaol.

These announcements, especially the last, are very surprising. One feels inclined to say of Mrs. Grisdale, "whatever had she been and gone and done." The exceeding respectability of the next entry is in strong contrast.

Baptized.

1793 June 26th. Sally Daughter of Major Thomas Hervey of St. Cuthbert's Carlisle, and Kate his Wife (late Irving).

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We see we are in an old fashioned county, where ancient families are much valued. Many entries occur such as the following :

1792 February 26th. Mr. Isaac Robson of Grassgarth Yeoman and Householder aged 69 years. The last of an Ancient Family there.

1792 June 23rd. Martha Wife of Mr. William Bacon of Lough near Carlisle Yeoman and Householder aged 54 years. She was of the Ancient Family of Robinsons, Warnel.

1800 May 10th. Mr. John Westray of Beckfoot nigh High Head Castle Yeoman and Householder aged 68. The last Male Branch of an Ancient Family near that place.

It is sad to observe that these ancient families frequently came to grief. The small estates were of dubious advantage, and widows and orphans of the statesmen were too frequently left to the tender mercies of the parish.

1794 February 25th. Gerard Stalker of Sebergham Loning Head Householder and yeoman formerly possessed of a Great Estate there aged 78 years. Br.

1799 May 17th. Ann Simpson a Parish Pauper and Relict of the late James Simpson of Smallands Farmer aged 42 years. Br.

1804 January 28th. Joseph Hewer from Caldbeck yeoman, but late of Sebergham Church Town lately possessed of a good estate there aged 59 years. Br.

1784 February 21st. Betty Daughter of John Head late Cowgill yeoman and Betty his Wife aged 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ year. A Pauper. Br.

1791 May 19th. Sarah Wilson a Pauper from Castle Sowerby Relict of Jonathan Wilson formerly of Sowerby Mill aged 60 years. Br.

By one interesting entry we also know our vicinity to the See of Carlisle.

Buried.

1786 December 2nd. Mr. Isaac Denton of Loning Foot yeoman ; nigh forty years the good learned and faithful Steward to three successive Bishops of Carlisle, Dr. Osbaldiston, Dr. Lyttleton and Dr. Law, aged 66 years.

Cui Pudor ; et Justitia Soror
Incorrupta Fides, nudaque Veritas,
Quando ultimæ inveniet parem.

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The following is a list of the incumbents of the church of St. Mary, Sebergham, from 1699 to 1808.

James Kinneir	-	1699-1732
Josiah Relph	-	1736-1743
Samuel Relph	-	1744-1768
Thomas Denton	-	1768-1777
William Sheepshanks		1777-1808

And of the assistant curates from 1769 to 1812 :

Samuel Hallifax	1769
Jos Hindson	1769
Tho Tickell	1770
John Stubbs	1771
John Dodgson	1804
John Lowthian	1808
George Harker	1808
Edmd Wilkinson	1811
C Thompson	1812

These lists are entered in the register, and signed "Joseph Richardson, Parish Clerk."

The earliest book of the Sebergham registers still extant, is 12 inches long, and 8 broad. An entry on the first page acquaints us with the fact that this "Seburgham Register Book" was

Bought by John Stanwix Churchwarden June 30 1705 and that the price was 4/-.

Underneath is written

James Kynneir Minr.

And then

Dec 9 1705. This day John Peel was ordered 6d per week.

A very important announcement follows, framed in pen and ink flourishes :

The Revd James Kynneir A.M. a Scotchman Rector of Annan in North Brittain before the Revolution was in that time for the sake of his faith depriv'd of his living and so came to be Curate at Holme
Cultram

Cultram under Mr. Agill* in which time about ye year 1699 he was nominated Lecturer and Curate of Seburgham by the Revd and Worshipful the Dean and Chapter of Carlisle.

Enquiries as to Mr. Kynnier have been kindly made for me at Annan, and the borough records searched. The only answer at first to all questions was :

Those were troublous times, and no record is to be found of them hereabouts.

The Rev. James Crichton, minister of Annan however, after a time, lighted on the following quotation respecting the rectors of Annan, in Scott's *Fasts of the Scottish Church* :

168—. James Kynnier, A.M. He deserted the charge in 1692, and became a Curate in England. His predecessor here had been translated to another living in 1686; so that the omitted figure of the year of his appointment should be probably 6 or 7, making it read 1687.

Up to this time service had been celebrated only once a month in the parish church of Sebergham, by various clergymen from Carlisle, sent from the Dean and Chapter, impropiators of the living. To Mr. Kynneir (or Kinnier, as he himself spelt it), the minister of a church purified by much persecution, from which he too had suffered, must have fallen no small share of reforming work. His example and instructions, followed by those of the eminent Josiah Relph, elevated the tone of the parish, and made it what it still remains, one of the quietest and most respectable in the diocese.

Other episcopalians out of Scotland followed him. The Falders, or, Faulders long resident at Ling Park House, and Borrans Hill, in the parish of Sebergham, handed down from father to son a vague tradition that

They had come over the Border in the religious troubles, with letters from their minister.

* John Ogle, vicar of Holm Cultram, 1694 to 1715. EDITOR.

It was only in the last generation that a high church lady, one of their descendants, made out these troubles to be the persecutions suffered by Scotch episcopalians.

What more probable than that the Falders, persecuted for their faith like Mr. Kinneir, should come and settle in his parish, with perhaps letters of introduction from some of Mr. Kinneir's former parishioners and friends, or brothers in the ministry. This discovery was a relief to all parties concerned, I think we had taken our ancestors to be covenanters. The first entry concerning them is a baptism.

Sber 15, 1716. Thos sone of Jo Falder.

The last a burial :

March 17, 1824. Jane Faulder, Bullmannhill, a. 73 years.

The family was evidently one of importance in the parish, the names of its members always appearing when any mention is made in the registers of the principal inhabitants ; in the year 1726 there is a list given of those who paid the largest amount of purvey ; in this list are the names of Joseph, William, and John Falder. A century ago the office of churchwarden was one of much greater importance than it is now, and the most responsible people in the parish were appointed : we find that John Falder was churchwarden in 1748 and Joseph Falder in the years 1753, 1764, 1768. In the entry of the burial of Mrs. Mary Faulder, of Woodhouse, within the demesne of the manor of Rose, aged 88 years, she is described as :

A widow 50 years, behaved herself excellently well, brought up a large family which is now successful.*

* Note affixed to a pedigree of the family of Faulder by the Rev. H. Whitmore, M.A.

Mrs.

Mrs. Mary Faulder was a Sanderson, as far as can be told from the registers :

Married 1738

May 28 Joseph Folder and Mary Sanderson.

This is in Relph's fair and scholarly writing. I have not succeeded in finding her baptismal entry. She may have been a sister of the eminent local agriculturalist, Mr. John Sanderson, and an aunt of Thomas Sanderson, the eccentric poet.

Baptised 1723

April 14 Jo : Son : of Jo : Sanderson, Junr.

He was well known for the improvements wrought in the neighbourhood of his home through his exertions, by which extensive wastes were enclosed and brought under cultivation, and turnpike roads were made. He also caused Raughton Head chapel to be rebuilt about 1750. His son Thomas Sanderson, the poet, was born in 1759, in Raughton Head chapelry. His works were edited in 1829 by the Rev. J. Lowthian, and are worthy of note.

But to return to Mrs. Mary Faulder, who probably transmitted to her descendents the strong literary bias which continues to this day their prized inheritance.

It may be inferred from the following entry that Joseph Faulder, her son, born in 1746, was engaged in tuition at Park House, and had a number of resident pupils :

1790 May 11th. Buried James, son of James Cliff of Chippen Hanger Essex, student at the school or academy of Mr. Joseph Faulder of Park House aged 15 years.

Robert brother of Joseph Faulder and born in 1748, went into business in London, and died there after a long and prosperous career. Sebergham church contains a marble slab to his parents.

In memory of Joseph Faulder of Park house who died the 18th day of
May

May 1752 aged 49 years. Also of Mary Faulder his Wife who died the 30th of April 1803, aged 88 years. This monument was erected as a tribute of filial affection to the best of Parents by their surviving children. Also of Martha daughter of Joseph and Mary Faulder who died the 2nd day of May 1826 aged 87 years.

A photograph of eight of Mrs. Mary Faulder's great great grandchildren adorns our table, leading our thoughts away from Parkhouse in sight of the blue Caldbeck Fells, to Indian plains and hill stations, tropical islands, and stormy seas, crowded mission halls, and quiet churches, city offices and noisy engineering works; and now that eighty years have passed away since Mrs. Mary Faulder and her family were pronounced successful, we venture humbly to add that in many a clime and many a walk of life, they are successful still.

On page 2 of this volume is "a precedent of A Nuncupative Will,"* belonging to Mr. Kinnier's times there. After a note about wood used for the repairs of the church in 1706, we find this important entry:

18 October, 1706.

Upon view of the Church of Sebergham this day, I do hereby direct that the pulpit be fix'd under the south window in the body of the Church; and that Thomas Grainger have the chief seat next to the pulpit, and that Th: Watson and Richard Clark remove to the seat on the other side, where Robert Simpson and others now also sit.

W. Carliol.

by order of my Lord Bishop of Carlisle Inserted by me J. Kinnier Curat.

The authentick writing is also affixed.

The Bishop had been at Sebergham in 1703, and spoken of "the present curate Mr. Kanyer as an honest and modest Scotchman." Th. Watson who left this world of strife in 1726 and was buried October 5th, belonged to

* The curate of Sebergham would be frequently called upon to make wills of his parishioners, and a good common form would be very useful to him. EDITOR.

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the family which in our century produced the celebrated sculptor Musgrave Lewthwaite Watson. The first Watson entry is a baptism :

Timothy Watson son of Timothy Watson baptised Augst 20th 1691.

This and a few other entries seem to have been copied from some older volume, or the first pages of this volume may have been lost, see appendix XI. It is in a very curious and quaint handwriting, not very unlike that of "Thomas Denton gen." who heads "the names of ye Sixteen of ye Parish of Sebram 1712." Mr. Denton's is more elaborate, but perhaps the parish clerk of the period was taught by the same schoolmaster.

We have a curious bit of evidence that in 1754 the Watsons were living in that nest of bloom and blossom, the lonely low lying Bog House.

Bp Sept 14, 1754

Thomas and John sons of John Watson.

Then in a list of gifts by the Dean and Chapter to the poor occurs (also in 1754) :

To John Thompson 1/- by his Wife at Boggs Xtening.*

And now if we reverse the volume we find a list of churchwardens on page 4, begun by Mr. Kinneir, continued by his successors and ending in 1780 with the words, added by pious Mr. Samuel Relph ; "Gloria Deo in Eternia."

The list is repeated farther on, and carried to 1814 with cynical remarks by Parson Stubbs. In 1778 Robert Bell of Bell Bridge was one of the churchwardens. This must not mislead us, as Bell bridge house, home of the fair Mary Morris, the "Quevira" of Charles Easy's Letters was at this time owned by the Studholmes. He may have

* *i.e.*, Christening. Since writing the above I find :
Bp. 1747 Oct. 12. John son of John Watson, of Bogg.

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been of the family which sixty years previously counted among its members Jane Bell, wife of Captain Thomas Morris.* But there were many Bells in the parish and their dwelling places were not generally mentioned.

1754 Aug. 31. Richard son of Leonard Bell, Bp.

1754 Nov. 14. John son of William Bell, Bp.

1754 Nov. 18. Thomas son of James Bell, Bp.

1721. Buried 8ber 19, Captain Thos Moris.

In the list of the sixteen men in 1712 occurs :

Geo Bell gen.

which is scratched through and " Captain Morris " by a later hand added in his stead.

This " Geo Bell gen " would be the Mr. G. Bell mentioned by Bishop Nicolson in his *Miscellany Accounts of the Diocese of Carlisle* page 10, as having a seat in the quire of Sebergham church.

Mr. Kinneir writes a good hand and keeps his baptisms, marriages, and burials, in separate columns on the same page. To marriage and burial entries from 1708 to 1715 are often added the letter K. From 1735 to 1743 we have the beautiful handwriting of Josiah Relph, the jocund poet. Here are his baptismal and burial entries :

1711 Dec. 26. Josia sone of Jo: Relph bp.

Buried June 27, 1743, the Revd. Josiah Relph minister.

From many entries we gather that the Relphs were an ancient family, and that at one time they were mercers. In 1715 June 2nd, Isaac Relf married Margaret Nicolson which perhaps throws light on the reasons the poet may

† See *Transactions of this Society*, vol. VII., p. 245, and *Gatesgill Chronicle and Raughton Gazette*, vol. II., pages 17 and 129.

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have had for leaving his MSS. to Mrs. Nicolson of Hawksdale.* The Nicolsons of Sebergham were probably of the same family with those of Hawksdale.† They had the same christian names. The Relphs lived at Church Town, Lime Kiln Nook, Warnel, and elsewhere.

1778 January 4th. Jane Wife of Daniel Relph, late o Lime Kiln Nook, yeoman, aged 90 years. Sowerby, Br.

1794 January 10. Jane Relph Relict of the late John Relph of Church Town yeoman and Householder aged 85 years, from Dalston. Br.

1791 November 22nd. Joseph Relph Lodger with Mr. David Johnstone of Foxley Henning, C. Sowerby, formerly possessed of great property at that place and of a very ancient family aged 38 years.

1791 November 26th. Abraham Relph from Wigton a Parish Pauper formerly possessed of an estate at Ewelocke Hill aged 77 years. Br.

1794 January 10. Jane Relph Relict of the late John Relph of Church Town yeoman and Householder aged 85 years, from Dalston. Br.

. . . May 5th. Margaret Daughter of Thomas Relph of Hazzle Gill upon Warnel Fell Labourer and of Margaret his Wife late Lowes. Br.

The entries of Josiah Relph's time are uninteresting, yet it sheds some lustre on these homely registers when we remember that among the Rosamunds, Barbaras, and Lettices, the Mallys and Sallys whom he records, are to be found his Chloes, amorous maidens, and shepherdesses.‡

The following communication, made by Mr. Ferguson, F.S.A., to the *Gatesgill Chronicle and Raughton Gazette* in January 1884, is taken from a manuscript note in a copy of Hutchinson's Cumberland, which was formerly the property of that well-known Cumbrian worthy the Rev. Jonathan Boucher, once tutor to General Washington's family, and afterwards vicar of Epsom.

Letter from the Rev. Josiah Relph of Sebergham to one of his pupils :

* Transactions of this Society, vol. VIII., p. 256.

† See Appendix VII. to this paper.

‡ See Hutchinson's *Cumberland*, vol. II., 416-7.

The following letter, (copied from an MS. in the beautiful handwriting of the author himself, having been communicated to me, by Mr. Robson, of Bond Street, in 1801), was addressed to one of his pupils (the eldest son of the late Mr. Isaac Robson of Grassgarth), on his quitting school to go to college.

Sebergham, Sep., 28, 1737.

DEAR ROBERT,—It may seem a needless and impertinent Thing in Me to give you Advice, when you are going under the Care of one that is so much abler to do it; but if you meet with better Rules for your Behaviour, 'tis only laying these aside; and my giving you them will at least serve to shew you the Respect I bear you, and the great Desire I have to promote your Welfare and Happiness. Make the Worship of God your main Concern. Attend upon Him duly in his house. and address yourself to Him solemnly every Morning and Evening. But you have been so long used to this Way that you will be hardly able to leave it off, for Human Nature is not so depraved, but there is a difficulty in leaving a good, as well as a bad, Habit.

In prosecuting your Studies never forget the true Design of them, which is to enable you better to promote the Glory of God your Maker: a wrong end proposed in Learning, as the raising your Fortune or Reputation in the World, will as effectually disappoint you of Happiness as a Course of Life more grossly faulty.

In reading be most conversant in the H: Scriptures. In these you have Light as from the Sun, the Fountain and Source of it; whereas others Authors are like the Moon, sometimes quite dark, sometimes enlightened but in Part; and when wholly so, their Light is but borrowed and dim, and helps little to distinguish aright between Objects. Pay all due Deference and Submission to your Tutor. Your Parents make over their Authority to him as it were; and therefore You ought to regard Him as a Father. Juvenal you may remember wishes a Blessing to the Shades of the Ancients,

Who pious Reverence to their Tutours paid.
As Parents honour'd and as God's obey'd.

Be frugal in the management of your allowance, remember always by Toil and Labour it is provided for you at Home, Besides 'tis a common observation, that those who spend most money make the least Improvements in Learning, an extravagant Expence of Time always attending that of Money.

Be your Diversions honest and ingenious, and let them take up as little of your Time as possible. The Design of them is to fit you for your Studies again; and whenever they fail of that end, either by being wrong chosen, or too long warmly pursued. They are sinful and vitious. Be wary in the choice of Companions, Erasmus advises well when He bids you be civil and complaisant to all, free and intimate with none but the good and virtuous.

I shall add no more but my hearty Wishes, that God Almighty may take you under his particular Care and Direction; and that He may shew and Guide you in the Path of Life and at last take you to himself where is Fulness of Joy and Pleasures for evermore.

I am,

Yr. most affectionate Master,

JOSIAH RELPH.

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In the year 1794 we find the following note, written by the Rev. John Stubbs, assistant curate of Sebergham, of whom much more anon :

1794. The Revd. Jonathan Boucher who has been a great Benefactor to this Parish on many Accounts, and purchased great Property there gave this year an excellent Prayer Book and Bible for the use of our Church. He likewise with a Generosity unparalleled and Regard to Literature at his sole expence in this same year erected a Noble Monument to the Memory of the Revd. Josiah Relph, a Poet of a most just Taste and the happy Introducer of Learning into this Parish.

Josiah Relph was succeeded by his uncle Mr. Samuel Relph.

June 23, 1744, was Samuel Relph from Allhallows nominated Lecturer and Curate of Sebergham by the Reverend and Worshipful the Dean and Chapter of Carlisle.

To Mr. Samuel Relph who according to Hutchinson, "lived respected and died lamented," we owe some very curious notes. On a discoloured page gummed to the outside cover of this first volume, is a list of :

Chapters to be read,

in his handwriting. They were all selected from the old lectionary whether for reading to the sick in the course of his weekly ministrations, such weekly ministrations as belonged to his time, a day of small things as far as parish work is concerned, or for private study we know not, and they are all from the New Testament. His skill in medicine was only in accordance with the ideas of his day. Here is a recipe written I think by him :

A cure for a Lameness by Contraction of the Parts. Take the yolk of a new laid egg let it be beaten with a spoon to the greatest thinness, then by a Spoonful at a time add three ounces of pure Water agitateing the mixture continually that the egg and water may be
well

well incorporated apply this to the part, cold or milk warm by a Gentle Friction for a few minutes 3 or 4 times a day.

In another place comes a list of the days of new moon for 1759, and then :

February the 1st, 1767. Advice that the Church of Sebergham has got 200 pounds the Queen's Bounty by Lott.

Next follow a few legal precedents, or common forms, shewing that the Rev. Samuel Relph was expected to be the legal as well as the spiritual adviser of the parish. They include a form of an inventory to a will, of a certificate for fitness to keep a public house, and of a pass for a traveller.

Almost all that the registers tell about Mr. Samuel Relph, is found on the next page in his handwriting :

Strange Preachers in our Chh since May 1st 1765

May 19, Mr. Fell.

May 26, Whit Sunday, Mr. Hindson.*

June 23, Mr. Hudson.

June 30, Mr. Hudson.

Aug. 18, Mr. Bewley† and Mr. Richardson.

Aug. 25, Mr. Hindson.

Sept. 8, Mr. Hudson.‡

Sept. 15, Mr. Hodgson.

Sept. 29, Mr. Bewley, Keep innocency, &c.§

From Oct. 6 to Dec. 29, it is always Mr. Hudson, and on Dec. 22, he preached on the text "Defraud not."||

* Incumbent of Raughton Head 1774-1787. See "Old registers of Raughton Head" by Mrs. Carter. *Gatesgill Chronicle and Raughton Gazette*, vol. II., page 130. He built "Chapel House at Raughton Head" for his use and convenience, and a dial in the garden bears his initials, the date and the inscription "Sic transit gloria mundi."

† Curate of Raughton Head.

‡ Incumbent of Ivegill 1752.

§ Psalm xxxvii., 38th v., Prayer Book version.

|| Mark x., 19.

1766, January 5, Mr. Hallifax* and I myself at Church all these Sundayes blessed and praised be God able to do duty.

May 12, Mr. Hallifax.

Jany 19, Mr. Hudson.

And so on up to Palm Sunday, March 23, and then there is no record of who did duty up to August 10th, when :

Mr. Hudson did read.

Sept. 21, Mr. Hindson.

Oct. 19, Mr. Hudson but Mr. Edmondson,† of Threlkeld, did all the duty.

And then Mr. Hudson again officiated every Sunday until Feb. 15, when Mr. Hallifax took his place.

Whitsunday, 1767, Mr. Thomas Denton myself at Church all these Sun.

July 12th Mr. Hudson and Mr. Barker who did duty forenoon and Mr. Hudson afternoon.

I at Church Gloria Deo.

July 19th Mr. Bewley I at Ch.

Aug. 30 Mr. Edmondson Threlkeld.

In the list of churchwardens is the following entry :

1767. Simeon Relph and Robert Clarke junior during the last illness and feebleness of the Revd. Samuel Relph.

He died poor man! in the course of next year, and his burial is thus entered :

1768 Oct. 21. The Revd. Mr. Sam^l Relph.

A son of his remained in the parish.

1801 January 25th. Samuel Relph Bachelor and Lodger with Mr. Joseph Stalker of Sebergham Hall, second son of the late Revd Samuel Relph curate of Sebergham. Aged 84 years.

Thomas Denton afterwards became rector of Ashded and curate of Sebergham. He was the pupil of Josiah Relph, and himself a correct and coldly elegant writer.

* A former schoolmaster of Sebergham, vicar of Westward, 1777. Whellan's History of Cumberland, 265. See appendix II.

† Incumbent 1756-98.

He

He took his master's degree of Queen's College, Oxford, became curate to Dr. Graham. of Netherby, at Arthuret, and Kirkandrews, and afterwards succeeded Dr. Graham at Ashded in Surrey. True type of the old fashioned English parson, he married the "confidential and favourite servant, or rather companion, of Lady Widdrington," and "in discharging the duties of his profession he was exemplarily decent."

1777 June 27th. At London the Revd. Thomas Denton, Curate of Sebergham.

And now before entering on a fresh chapter of parish history and considering the times of the accomplished Thomas Denton, and his curate John Stubbs, we may pause over some old notes and accounts which begin during the curacy of Mr. Kinneir.

Parson Stubbs thus notices the successor of Mr. Samuel Relph.

1771. Thomas Denton, M.A., Rector of Ashded in Surrey, Curate of Sebergham.

Mr. Joseph Hindson and Mr. Hallifax seem to have done duty during the interval. They were not yet appointed to Raughton Head and Westward, and officiated at Sebergham. Mr. Hindson from November 1768 to November 1769, Mr. Hallifax from that time with alternations of Mr. Hindson and a certain Thomas Tickell until 1771, when John Stubbs made his appearance on the scene almost at the same time as the curate Thomas Denton, whose baptismal entry is as follows :

1723 Xber 2. Tho: son of Isaac Denton. Bp.

Those were the Dentons of Green Foot, not "de Warnall Denton," though I am told they reckoned themselves as originals of the same stock.

In 1714, Mr. Isaac Denton was overseer of the poor,
and

and both he and his successor, Henry Simpson, were free in their gifts to the poor of the parish :

It is agreed that Christian Hogdel shall have this succeeding year 6d. per week and 5/- for her house rent.

Mabel Scot is ordered 3 shill for house rent for the future and the last years rent to be discharged by the overseers for ye year by past. Mungo Patinson is ordered 8 pence per week.

Several other poor folk had their house rents paid, but these were only 4/- or 5/- a year. Jane Clemetson had 6d. per week on which she could not, one would think, make any considerable figure. Luckily

In 1723 it is ordered that Mrs. Monkhouse shall have six shill per year for finding Jane Clemetson cloaths.

In the accounts of Georg Ritson and Jo: Jefferson, churchwardens for ye year 1716, we find :

Itm for mending bellchain 6d. Itm for bread and wine 5 quarts and pint at 2 comunions 8s. 11d.

If this seem excessive, it must be remembered that there were but four communions in the course of the year, and almost the whole congregation would stay at one or other of them. The austere and pious Scotch episcopalian would see that his flock did not neglect holy ordinances.

In the same year and in Mr. Kinneir's handwriting occurs the following :

May 18th, 1716. It is agreed by the sixteen met together the sd day that no inhabitant within the sd parish shall take into his or their houses as servants or otherwise any inmates unless the sd inmates at the same time bring with them certificates under the hands of the minr and churchwardens of ye parishes of their last abode, and that they will receive them again ; or that the person wch so receive any such inmates shall give sufficient security to the parish to indemnify and have harmless the sd parish from any charg or trouble of the sd inmates. As witness our hands the day and year above written.

The well-known names of Sanderson, Bell, Denton, Watson, and Falder, appear underneath.

In

In the oldest list of these sixteen men in whose hands apparently was the Church Stock, a list dated 1712, one of them is entered as Thomas Jeffrey *alias* Jefferson. It is worth noticing that in the Dalston registers, the family goes through an intermediate stage of Jeffrayson. Mr. Kinneir wrote the name Jeffra.

The "full and true terrier" of the glebe lands which follows, is given in appendix IV.

Next follows :

The yearly prescription of Sebergham parish payable at Whitsuntide and Martinmas.

The account is kept in shillings, pence, and groats. Here are curious place names, Woodcock, Thackmire, Hartrigg, Fell Back, Corry Beck; and others are mentioned.

It is refreshing to come on some of the beautiful if somewhat feminine handwriting of the old poet Josiah Relph. Also to see in what peace and unity people went to church together once upon a time.

A true list of the seats in Sebergham church as they were taken by lot according to an arrangement made amongst us by a general consent this first day of January 1729.

There seem to have been about 20 pews, generally shared by two or three families.

Longseat Rob Simson for Gelwhins, Wm. Stockdale for Killgate and Thos. Robinson each 2 seats.

3 for publick, as also ye seats about ye font.

For ye future everyone is to remain (*in*) their own seats properly belonging to them, and ye Wainscot on each side of ye alley is to be repaired by ye publick.

The above written is a true account of ye Settlement of ye Seats in Sebergham church as they are now disposed and allowed of by us entrusted As Witness our hands.

There are no signatures. I think it likely nobody would sign.

The

The meek Mr. Samuel Relph adds a note. He too had his worries.

Nota Bene. The little Pew next the Alley Erected in the old reading place and joyning to Mr. Monkhouses Pew of Townhead belongs purely and solely to the Curate of the place and his family. N.B. 9th Sept. 1787. Robt. Jefferson exchanges his half seat No. 5, with Jno. Studholm for his half seat in No. 6, allotted to Mr. Bell.* Novr. 13, 1788.

N.B. Mr. John Walker of Newlands Gate and Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson of Loning Head have mutually agreed to erect their two seats in this church into a joint Pew viz : John Stalker's No. 8, late Thomas Grainger and Elizabeth Simpson, No. 7, late John Simpson of Loning Head. Each party mutually contributing to the expense of the erection.

Signed John Walker,
Elizabeth Simpson.
her mark.

Witness John Stubbs
Curate.

Copying the words used by Mr. Bower in his article on the Kirkby Thore Registers, touching the Rev. Thomas Machel, I may truly say, but for the Rev. John Stubbs, sometime schoolmaster, and for upwards of thirty years assistant curate of Sebergham, very little more, should I this day have had to record of the old register books of that parish church.

Nov. 22, 1747. George Stubbs and Elizabeth Thompson. M.
Dec. 7, 1748. John son of George Stubbs of Borranshill. Bp.

He "fancied" himself on his connection with the Thomp-
sons, as he marked them with crosses from their first
appearance in the register. His mother's death is thus
recorded :

1795 November 4th. Elizabeth Wife of George Stubbs of Borrans-
hill yeoman and mother of the present Assistant Curate aged 73
years.

* The Studholmes had succeeded the Bells by this time.

John Stubbs was appointed in 1771 master of the Sebergham Grammar School, or "the school near the church." He thus enters himself in the list of schoolmasters:*

Jno. Stubbs for 23 years Master and Assistant Curate of the Parish, many fine lads educated in that time.

He was curate at Sebergham to the Rev. Thomas Denton, and to the Rev. William Sheepshanks. His wife's name was Blaylock, and they had many children.

1773 August 8th. Esther Daughter of John Stubbs Assistant Curate of Sebergham and Mary his Wife. Bp.

1788 February 25th. Ann Daughter of John Stubbs Assistant Curate of Sebergham and Mary his Wife late Blaylock, born 7 o'clock in the morning.

1794 July 2nd. Mrs. Mary Stubbs Wife of the Rev. John Stubbs Assistance Curate of Sebergham aged 44 years. She died June 30th 12 o'clock at noon in child-birth of her 9th child. Br.
1800, July 16th.

Ann Daughter of the Revd. John Stubbs Assistant Curate of Sebergham and of Mary his late Wife aged 12½ years, (she died on Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock July 15th).

There are many more entries about them. Only these seem worth recording:

1785 January 18th. Susannah Daughter of the Revd. Robert Stubbs formerly Curate of Caldbeck, but now in N. America, and Isabella his Wife. Bp.

He was a brother of the assistant curate's. This is his baptismal entry:

1753 Sept. 5th. Robert son of George Stubbs. Bp.

He lived at one time at Hesket New Market.

1780 March 30th. Elizabeth Daughter of Robert Stubbs of Hesket New Market, Clerk and Isabella his Wife. Br.

He Parson Stubbs must have made himself many enemies

* See Appendix VI.

by his freedom of speech. We can read between the lines even in the registers. For instance :

1772 June 16. The visitation held at Carlisle by the Revd. Dr. Burn Chancellor. The Bishop did not appear in his Diocese this year.

This was Bishop Law. In his list of churchwardens, appendix I., we find the following entries :

1784. No Churchwardens this year.

Something is here scratched out, and defies all efforts at deciphering, it is apparently a spicy remark of the assistant curate :

1800. Robert Sewell Helmgate and John Clarke of Borranshill, good men.

1801. William Hoodless and Robert Richardson, good men.

Parson Stubbs seems to have found congenial spirits in these four. But soon he tells a very different tale :

1803. Thomas Jefferson of Cauda Beck and Jno. Graham of New House.

1804. Tom Jefferson of Cauda Beck and John Graham of New House (notoriously memorable).

The latter words have been scratched through. His last entry is as follows :

1804 December 30th. John son of James Little, of Starmire, Castle Sowerby, Farmer, and of Mary his Wife (late Barnfather). Bp.

Here ends the Assistant Curacyship of me John Stubbs, for near 34 years Assistant in this Parish, turned out by Calumny and by listeners to Calumniators *sed nemo expers Penati vivit optimus ille est qui minimis vexatur Credite Posteris*. This Case may be further known.

As the latter part is scratched through and Parson Stubbs did not finish his remarks, we are left rather in the dark. Thomas Sanderson in his notice of his old schoolmaster, praises him warmly.

In

In his account of the schoolmasters who taught in the school near the church, John Stubbs thus concludes this melancholy chapter of his history.

John Stubbs Assistant Curate 1795 1796 1797 1798 1799 1800 1801 1802 1803 1804. Scurvily dismissed from his Curacy (not by his employer) in the beginning of the New Year 1805.

His employer was the Rev. Wm. Sheepshanks, who, says Sanderson,

Parted with his curate with great reluctance, for he had high opinion of his literary abilities, and of the general integrity of his character.

Parson Stubbs afterwards removed to a curacy in Northumberland and died in 1814. He is to this day well remembered in the parish of Sebergham, and at the risk of repetition we give his own account of himself :

John Stubbs was ordained to the parish church of Sebergham in August 18th 1771 by the learned and Reverend Dr. Edmund Law Bishop of Carlisle. The living of Sebergham in the hands of the Rev. Mr. Denton of Surrey—but born in Sebergham—John Stubbs had his education at the Free Grammar School of Carlisle under the care on Mr. Wennington nunc defuncti.

And he begins forthwith about seats :

It is agreed upon this 31st Day of January 1796, by the Parties who have seats in the numbers 17 and 18 on the other side of the seat (of old denominated John Sanderson and William Pattinson) John Head and Adam Mayson shall be formed into one Pew or seat for the accomodation and proper sitting at Divine Worship.

Witness John Stubbs Curate

James Ellwood

William Robinson John Stubbs for William
Scott

The Parties contributing to the expense

William Scott

James Ellwood for Mrs. Scott.

N.B. Joseph Stubbs has purchased the property of late Mr. Jefferson
late

late Isaac Robinson of Welton and has the half seat No. 11, on the east side of the Pulpit for ever annexed to it.

Signed John Stubbs
Assist. Curate 1797.

Next comes :

A list of one Purvey for Sebergham High Bound in the year 1788.
Do. for Sebergham Low Bound.

Then we read :

An account of the Schoolmasters who taught at the school near the Church first built about the year 1745.*

Next a similiar list concerning schoolmasters of Low Bound or Welton School built about 1758.†

And last of all :

A schedule of the Seats upon the Gallery in Sebergham Church as they were numbered valued and sold by the Churchwardens empowered by the vestry November 11th, 1773.

Number 1.	Henry Fletcher Esquire	-	-	-	£4
2.	John Simpson Esq and Robert Jefferson	-	-	-	3 15
3.	{ John Yeats Esquire $\frac{2}{3}$ and Mr. Isaac Robson $\frac{1}{3}$	-	-	-	3 15
4.	William Bacon and Jonathan Nicholson	-	-	-	3 10
5.	Mr. Isaac Denton—now Revd Isa Denton	-	-	-	3 0
6.	Mr. John Monkhouse	-	-	-	2 15
7.	{ John Stalker and Jonathan Stalker and Thomas Jacques	-	-	-	2 15
8.	{ Mr. Joseph Faulder ; Robert Clarke and John Stubbs Assist. Curate	-	-	-	2 10
9.	Thomas Relph and James Frizzle	-	-	-	2 5
10.	Robert Bushley, Mr. Robert Monkhouse and Richard Nicholson	-	-	-	2 0

There seems to have been some squabbling among the parishioners, but we cannot go into all the notes.

* See Appendix II.

† See Appendix III.

Parson Stubbs, as he is traditionally called, wrote a beautiful hand, and kept his registers very neatly. There is, as we before observed, something fresh and countrified in the very sound of the words in many of the entries :

1772 Bpt. Jan. 31st. Peggy Daughter of John Crosley of Grassing House, Labourer and Nanny his wife.

But the churchwarden's accounts have carried us on too far and we now turn back in date to the beginning of the second volume of the old registers which is 15 inches long, 7 inches broad, and bound in parchment.

The first pages are in the handwriting of Mr. Samuel Relph, they begin :

Bought at Carlisle Anno 1751

Pret: £1 2.

Samuel Relph Minister

Thomas Simson

Isaac Robson Churchwardens.

Dr Richard Osbaldeston Lord Bishop of Carlisle

Dr John Waugh Dean of Worcester Chancellor

Dr Bolton Dean of Carlisle

Dr Waugh

Mr Birkett

Mr Wilson

Mr Head

} Prebends.

The very curious notes by Parson Stubbs which follow are to be found in Hutchinson's history of Cumberland, where however they are not so complete as in the registers.

To some extent Parson Stubbs acts as though he knew the advice given by that learned prelate Dr. White Kennett, Bishop of Peterborough, (1718-28) at his first visitation :

One thing more I would intimate to you that you are not only obliged to enter the day and year of every christening, wedding, or burial, but it is left to your discretion to enter down any notable incident of times and seasons, especially relating to your own parish, and the neighbourhood of it, such as storms and lightning, contagion and mortality, drought, scarcity, plenty, longevity, robbery, murders, and the like casualties. If such memorable things were fairly entered,

you

your parish registers would become chronicles of many strange occurrences that would not otherwise be known, and would be of great use and service for posterity.*

NOTES BY THE REV. JOHN STUBBS.

1771

Thomas Denton M.A., Rector of Ashded in Surrey Curate of Sebergham.

August 18th, in this year John Stubbs was ordained Deacon, and appointed Assistant Curate to Thomas Denton.

The learned Dr. Edmund Law Lord Bishop of Carlisle and Master of Peter House in Cambridge and Rector of Greystoke in this County.

The Bridge at Bell Bridge was rebuilt this year, the old one was washed away by the highest flood ever known in the north.

In the year 1771 15 baptized and 7 Burials The Proportion Births bear to Burials is $2\frac{1}{4}$ to one.

In the year 1772 30 bap. and 9 Buried.

In the year 1773 29 Baptisms and 22 Burials.

In the year 1774 there have been 27 Baptized and 12 buried. The Proportion between Births and Burials is as 9 to 4.

The Parsonage House was built upon the site of an old one many years decayed in 1773.

The whole of the Common or Pasture Land was inclosed by Act of Parliament in 1765 And the Act for fixing a Corn Measure in 1771.

In this year 1775 there have been 18 baptized and 21 buried the Proportion Births bear to Burials is as 6 to 7.

Upon an actual survey of this Parish in 1782 by J. Stubbs Curate and Isaac Lowthian and Robert Bushley Churchwardens they were found to be 145 families including Friar Hall, and 655 inhabitants that is about $4\frac{1}{4}$ to an House. In the village of Welton alone the number was found to be 143.

N.B. The Church or the Body of the Church was fully repaired in 1774, 1775, and 1776, and the gallery was then erected. The Chancel was fully repaired afterwards by Wm. Sheepshanks M.A., Curate, tho' there is little doubt, but Warnel Hall Estate should have contributed half, now belonging to Lord Lonsdale.

William Bacon and George Stubbs all that time Churchwardens.

In this year 1776 there have been 27 Births and 8 Burials. Births to Burials in Proportion as 9 to 7.

* Parish Registers in England, by R. E. Chester Waters. p. 69.

In this year 1777 there have been 34 Births and 21 Burials the Proportion of Births to Burials is as 17 to 4.

In the year 1778 22 Baptisms and 18 Burials.

1779 Rev. W. Sheepshanks from the University of Cambridge Curate nominated to the Curacy of Sebergham by the Dean and Chapter of Carlisle Novr. 24 1777.

In the year 1779 26 Bap. and 12 Buried.

Upon Enquiry from 10 years from 1698 Bap. 100, Bur'd 50, 10 years from 1741 Bap. 152, Bur. 139, 10 years 1771 Bap. 257, Bur'd 137.

In the year 1780 have been 25 Births and 21 Burials.

In this year 1781 there have been 20 Births and 20 Burials.

1782. In this year 28 Births and 21 Burials.

1783. In this year there have been 26 Births and 15 Funerals, the Proportion is $5\frac{1}{8}$ to 3.

In this year 1784 there have been 25 Births and nine Burials.

The Proportion Births bear to Burials is near three to one.

No Churchwardens this year.*

A frost begun this year Dec. 6th which lasted with very little intermission till April 5th 1785.

In the year 1785 30 have been baptized and 13 Buried. The Proportion Births bear to Burials is as 2 and $\frac{4}{13}$ ths to one.

In this year the Revd. Mr. Sheepshanks Curate of Sebergham fully repaired and beautified the Chancel of Sebergham Church; tho' there is a strong presumption, that the Estate of Warnel Hall should have contributed one half.

Revd. Wm. Sheepshanks Curate
J. Stubbs Assistant Curate

The learned Dr Law Bishop

Mr Paley Chancellor

John Penrith } Churchwardens
John Reed }

In this year 1786 thirty have been baptized and sixteen buried. The Proportion Births bear to Burials is as 15 to 8.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

We had a remarkably cold Spring and Frost by which Wheat was almost destroyed; a fine dry Summer and Autumn, little Hay, but all other crops very good and well got. Wheat at 18s. $2\frac{1}{4}$ Carlisle Measure, Barley and Oats very reasonable.

* See list of Churchwardens in Appendix. † There is something rather important scratched out.

On the 10th of August* a Shock of an Earthquake was felt in these Northern Parts which occasioned a great Alarm, but little or no Damage was done.

I find that the deceased this year one with another have lived 56-85 years, that is near 37 years.

In the year 1787 Twenty three have been baptized and Eighteen buried.

On August 14th died the very learned Dr Edmund Law Bishop of this Diocese.

Sometime in September Dr John Douglas was appointed Bishop of Carlisle.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

We had a remarkably back spring and a black cloudy heavy summer, incessant rains in Autumn, and in Consequence the latest harvest ever remembered. There was a great deal of Corn to cut at Martin-mass. The crop was abundant enough but ill fed in general, yet there was no scarcity. Wheat was at 18s. 2½d. Carlisle Measure. Barley and Oats very reasonable.

I find that this year the Deceased have lived one with another, or on Average 47½ years.

There have been in this year 1788, 25 Births and 15 Burials. The Proportion between Births and Burials is as 1⅔ to one.

On the 19th of August Dr John Douglass held his primary Visitation and Confirmation. The young people of Sebergham and Sowerby were confirmed by his Lordship at Raughton Head Chapel.

We had this year a fine Spring droughty till the summer solstice, then a most seasonable rain; a fine summer and autumn all sorts of crops were well got and very cheap, except wheat

Wheat 18s. 2½d., Carlisle Measure†

Barley 6 or 7

Oats 4 or 4 6d.

1789

In this year 1789 there have been 30 Baptisms and 12 Funerals. The Proportion Births bear to Burials is as 2½ to one.

We had a most remarkably cold and wet year tho' the Crops were tolerably plentiful and were got in not amiss.

The Price of Wheat at Michaelmass Sessions was at 6s. 3d., Winchester or at 18s. 9d. Carlisle Measure, Barley at 8s, Oats at 7s, Carlisle Measure.

* According to Hutchinon the 11th of August was the day or rather the night. History of Cumberland, vol. 11., p. 673.

† A Carlisle bushel equals three others.

In this year 1790 23 have been Baptized and 20 Buried. We had the wettest Spring and Summer ever remembered, but a fine Harvest. The Corn was all well got in; but a most dear year and hard upon the poor, Wheat 18 9, Barley 12, and Oats 9, Carlisle Measure.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1791

We had a most remarkably stormy Winter; and great Damage was done by the tempestuous weather through the whole Kingdom; a harsh cold spring, yet a fine summer and autumn, and abundant Crops. Wheat at Michaelmass 18/- per Bushel Carlisle Measure, Oats 6, and Barley 9. 20 Births and 15 Funerals, that is, Births to Funerals as 4 to 3.

This year Dr John Douglas our Bishop was translated to Sarum and Dr Edward Venables Vernon appointed to Carlisle.

The Inhabitants of this Parish were accurately taken this year and were found to be 736 and 5 and one-fifth to a Family. Visitation at Carlisle Novr 11th by Mr Paley.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1792

We had a most remarkably stormy Winter loud Winds and almost incessant Rains a harsh cold and back Spring, a most wet Summer; yet the Autumn succeeded tolerably well, and the crops tho' light were well got in. Average Price of Wheat 16 Shillings, Barley 10/- and Oats 7/- Carlisle Measure. The Church Yard Wall was fully repaired this year.* Middle Sceugh and Braithwaite contributed a Quota. They gave £1 4 at its first Inclosure in 1712. 20 Births and 8 Funerals. The Proportion Births bear to Deaths is as 2½ to one.

Dr. Edward Venables Vernon held his Primary Visitation and Confirmation at Carlisle on August 6th.†

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1793

In this year 1793, 28 have been baptized and 13 buried; the Proportion between Births and Burials is 2/13ths to one.

We had a most stormy Winter a late cold Spring, but a most glorious Summer and a fine Autumn without almost a Drop of Rain. In the

* See Appendix X.

† It is not necessary always to repeat the names of the Chancellor, Curate, Assistant Curate and Churchwardens, given invariably at the end of these summaries; Hutchinson's Extracts, p. 423 stop here. L.K.

summer

summer of this year, every kind of Grain very immensely dear, except Wheat Barley was at 15 per Bushel, Oats 10, and Potatoes at 9/ per Hoop Carlisle Measure. The Poor suffered greatly.

Wheat fixed at Martinmass at 17s. 6d. Visitation at Carlisle June 14th by William Paley M.A. Chancellor and Archdeacon.

1794

In this year 18 have been baptized and 11 buried. The Proportion Births bear to Burials is as 9 to 5½. Visitation at Carlisle June 13th by Wm. Paley Chancellor and Archdeacon M.A.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1794

We had a fine open Winter and an early Spring; a warm Summer remarkably so and droughty till the summer solstice.

The turnip crop failed in consequence. A settled and most productive Harvest. Wheat at 18s. Barley 10s. 6d. Oats 9, at Michaelmass.

It is remarkable that for 3 Winters preceding we had no Frost.

Barley, Oats and Potatoes, bore a most high Price this Summer. Potatoes were as high as 9 per Hoop.

This Nation is engaged in an horrid and bloody War with France. We are upon the Eve of some awful events.

N.B. A Spoiled Leaf was cut out here, but there were no Entries upon it.

John Stubbs Ass Curate.

1795

In this year 1795 there have been baptized 21 buried 13.

The Proportion of Births to Burials is as 3 to 2

Visitation at Carlisle and Confirmation June 8th by Dr. Vernon our present Diocesan. Joseph Dacre Cariyle B.D. appointed Chancellor, vice Dr. Paley resigned.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

We had a frosty Winter and of long Continuance, a fine Spring and Summer, plentiful Crops of all sorts, yet about Midsummer such Dearnness prevailed that Wheat was £2 5s. per Bushel Carlisle Measure or 15 Winchester. Barley 16, Oats 13, which Prices still continue. Vacant and dreary is the Prospect before us! a dreadful War with France. The sound of Wounds, Blood Death and Dearth in the sighing gale. Wheat fixed last Michaelmass at £3 5s. per Qr or at 8s. 2d. Winchester or £1 4 6 Carlisle!!! Barley now at 16, Oats 13!!!!!!

1796

In this year 22 have been baptized and 16 buried. The Proportion Births bear to Burials is as 11 to 8.

On

On July 4th Joseph Dacre Carlyle B.D. Chancellor of Carlisle held his primary Visitation.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1796

We had a mild Winter and an early tolerable fine Spring, but May June July were the wettest of Months ever remembered. The Weather afterwards cleared up, and we had a glorious Harvest, tho' not very heavy crops. Corn and every Article of Life continuing immensely dear. The War with France still raging in Deluges of Blood, which convulses all Europe, but particularly Britain. Taxes upon taxes and the Price of Living doubled nay more in 20 years. Wheat at Martinmass £1 2 6, Barley 14, and Oats 10.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS IN 1797.

We had a late awkward back Spring, almost incessant Rains through the whole Summer, in Autumn still bad, and Corn was with Difficulty got in; yet grain from Importations from Poland and other places the year before, kept that necessary Staff of Life low. Wheat at 17s. 4d., Barley 10/-, Oats 6s. 6d. Carlisle Measure. The War with France still rages. Alarms upon alarms of a threatened Invasion. In this year 1797 21 have been baptized and 14 Buried. The Proportion of Births to Burials is 3 to 2.

Visitation at Carlisle by Joseph Dacre Carlyle B.D. July 17th.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1798

We had a mild Winter a forward Spring and pleasant, a glorious Summer, though rather droughty. The crops of all sorts of grain were very abundant, though short in the straw, an early and temperate Harvest such a one not remembered by our oldest Inhabitants. Wheat at 18/- Barley at 9/- and Oats at 7/- per Bushel Carlisle Measure.

Visitation at Carlisle by Dr. Edward Venables Vernon Lord Bishop of Carlisle.

In the year 1798, 26 have been baptized and 13 buried. Births in proportion to Burials are as 2 to one.

1799

In this 1799 20 have been Baptized and 8 Buried. The Proportion between Births and Burials is as $2\frac{1}{2}$ to one.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

We had a dreadful frosty snowy Winter, and a most harsh inclement and

and late Spring, the wettest summer that perhaps ever was, we had scarce a dry day from the Beginning of July till the middle of December. The Crops were all beaten to the ground particularly Wheat, very unproductive and of a bad Quality; most unsound Wheat. The necessaries of Life immensely high. There was Corn in the Fields till Decr 20th. Wheat at Michaelmass £1 6 4 Carlisle Measure Barley 12s. Oats 9s. and at the Time of inserting this.

Jan. 20th 1800. Old Wheat at £3; New £1 16. Barley £1; Old Oats £1, and New Oats 15/- Carlisle Bushell. No Memory or Record can trace back to such a dismal Time, or present such a vacant meagre and dreary Prospect as we have now before us.

The War with France still rages, exhausting Blood and Treasure ! !
1800

Visitation at Carlisle June 16th by the Revd. Dr. Paley Archdeacon an excellent charge.

The Price of Wheat for the Compensation in Lieu of Tythes was fixed by the grand jury at Michmas Sessions at £1 17 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ C. Measure. We had a fierce Winter, Snow, Frost, &c., a late Spring, bad Weather in April, May, and the first part of June; good Weather afterwards, and tolerable Crops, yea good. Corn at an enormous Price. Wheat at 55 per Bushel, Carlisle Measure, that is 3 Winchester, Barley 32, Oats 24 per Bushel, Pease 34s. per Bushel and everything else horribly and proportionably dear.

In the year 1800 20 Births and 21 Funerals.

An horrible War with France, and all the Powers of Europe combined against us, Russia, Denmark and Sweden &c.

Dr. Edward Venables Vernon, Bishop of Carlisle, a very good man
Dr. Paley Archdeacon, Mr. Carlyle Chancellor.

In the year 1801 21 Baptisms and 18 Funerals. Proportion in favour of Births as 7 to 6. An enumeration of the People in this Parish took Place this year, and the whole were 742. The Females exceeded the Males by 16. Likewise a question was asked, what Lands were in Cultivation and now:—Answer: Wheat 194 acres. Barley 135 do; Oats 841 do; Potatoes 48 do; Pease 88 do; Beans $\frac{1}{2}$ an Acre. Turnips 72 Acres. Rye 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Acres.

Upon the whole 1801 was a dear year. Wheat at £3 per Bushel; Barley at £2, good Oats at £1 8 Carlisle Measure, that is 3 Winchester. The Wars which convulsed the whole world ceased in October this year. Look the Historic Page.

June 12th Visitation and Confirmation at Carlisle by Dr. Vernon the Bishop. 1801 was a fine year, a most productive Harvest, the Price of Grass was reduced in Consequence. Corn Factors et omne id Genus sett long Faces.

OCCURENCES

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1802

In 1802 We have had 26 Births and eleven Funerals. Births double to Deaths and $\frac{4}{11}$ ths more. We had a fine Winter, a tolerable early Spring, but pinching Frost even in May, which hurt Fruits and Potatoes immensely, and a kindly equal, tho' not a very warm Summer; an excellent Autumn with the exception of a very wet fortnight, and all Sorts of Grain well Housed and in great Perfection. We have experienced a happy Reduction in the Price of Corn. Wheat fixed by the Grand Jury at Michaelmass at a Guinea and half Carlisle Measure; Barley in the Markets at 12 Shillings, Oats at 8 per Bushel do; Manufactures flourishing, and the Poor having plenty of Bread. Although Butcher Meat very high. Beef 7d Mutton 7d and Veal 6d per Lb.

Visitation at Carlisle August 30th by Dr. Grisedale Rector of Caldbeck, in the absence and Illness of Chancellor Carlyle.

OCCURRENCES AND EVENTS.

1803

The Winter was mild, a good Spring, but yet a wet May, a most glorious Summer, and an Autumn with scarcely a drop of Rain. Corn was well got in, fine Crops, and in Fact very cheap. Wheat at £1 1, Carlisle Measure. Barley 10, Oats 7, Butcher Meat rather high at 6d 7d 8d per Pound including all sorts. Visitation at Carlisle Sepr 15th by J. D. Carlyle Chancellor, Dr. Vernon Diocesan.

And thus we come to the close of the ministry of Parson Stubbs, and of his notes on "Occurrences and Events."

We now go back to some entries made by Mr. Kinneir, 1699-1732 :

1720 7ber 24. Will sone of Mrs. Stephens. Bp.

1725 May 10th. Jo: Dickson senr aged 108. B.

1727 Xber 25. Jo: Nicolson a man. Chr.

It does not seem to have been usual to christen on Christmas Day. Perhaps there was some solemnity in this case:

1730 feby 2. Jane Mason pd to

This is a burial entry, the words "pd to" are almost obliterated.

The

The very first in Mr. Kinneir's handwriting is the following :

Sebergham

Baptisms in ye year 1698 :

July 4 was baptised Elizabeth daughter of Robert Grislewhait.

This strange name occurs again and is generally abbreviated.

1706 April 6. Eliz. Grisselwhait. Br.

1706 April 30. Isobel Grisselwhait. Br.

1709 Aug. 7. Bern Barton, and . . . Stanwick. M.

1719 July 16. Uriel Dalston, and Jane Bushby. M.

Elsewhere the same name is given as Dalston Uriel. Kinneir's last entries are three marriages in the year 1732 :

June 12. Thomas Bennet and Sarah Monkhouse.

Febry 5, 1732-3. Randolf Hodgson of Heskett, and Ruth Monkhouse of Braithwaite, and St. Marie's without.

The same day Michael Pool, and Lucia Watson.

Mark the christian names. St. Marie's [parish] is constantly so spelt in the last century, and Lucy occasionally becomes Lucia in old English verse.

Josiah Relph's entries were of no particular interest.

The following entries belong to the time of his nephew Samuel Relph :

1744 Feby 3d. John sone of William Wilson, a traveller. Br.

1744 Dec. 7. George Stuart, a traveller from Sowerby. Br.

1744 Feby 3d John Son of William Wilson a Traveller. Bap.

1746 Sarah D of John Relph of Chhtown Mercer. Bap.

1747 June 8 Thomas Fidler and Sabrina Head. M.

1748 June 12 Joseph s. of Widow Asbridge. Bur.

1748 Nov 13 Jane D of John Clarke of Borranshill Weaver.

1748 Feby 7 Jane Pool Widow Parish Pensioner Bur.

1749 June 26 Molly D of Mr John Simson of Loninhead. Bap.

1749 Oct 26 Robert son of Robert Jefferson of Bullmanhill. Bap.

1749 Novem 7 Letty Daughter of Jeofrey Jack.

1749 May 15 Jacob Dodshon and Dorothy Losh Whitsun Munday.
Mar.

1749 Aug 10 William Bonner Out Pensioner of Chelsea College from
Braithwaite. Bur.

1750 June 13 Joseph son of Robert Jefferson of Mirkbooths.

1753 June 4 William Nicolson and Mary Simson Whitsun Munday.
Mar.

1752

March 17 James son of James Tullie an Out Pensioner. Bap.

Sept 1 Wm Blamire and Bridget Simson by License.

Nov 8 Thomas Simson and Mary Bowman Publication.

Nov 20 Jos Folder and Eliz Fell. Certificat given.

Janry 22 James Thompson and Ann Uriel. Mar.

1760 April 17 John Mayson and Easter Simpson. Mar.

1762 July 8 Benjamin son of William Bell 7th son. Bp.

1764 Dec 19 Isaac son of William Bell ye 8th Son. Bap.

The name of Leonard is now found sometimes.

1766 Nov 23 William son of John Brown of Mountain. Bur.

1767 Aprill 28 John Ritson the younger of Welton. Bur.

1767 Joseph Son of Joseph Livak deceased and Hannah Livak was
born and baptized the 26th of May at Wreay and Christened at
Sebergham August the 5th.

1768

October 21. The Rev. Mr. Saml Relph. Bur.

1771

Nov. 3d Margaret Daughter of John and Margaret Waugh Labourers,
residing at Caldew Beck. Bap.

1771 Nov. 11th. Thos son of John and Mary Penrith Labourers, of
New House. Bap.

The registers have been badly kept for some years prior to
this date. It is a relief to come to Parson Stubbs and his
clear handwriting.

1772 June 4th. Dinah Daughter of Joseph Jackson of Warnel Fell
Butcher and Peggy his Wife. Bap.

1772 January 2d. Fanny Daughter of John and Nanny Watson of
Bog. Bap.

1773 March 28th. Joseph son of Edward Livock of Rosley Dish
Thrower and Jane his Wife.

1772 May 5th. Martha Daughter of William Frizel of Rattle Beck
Hall Labourer and Jinny his Wife. Bap.

June

June 16th. The Visitation held at Carlisle by the Revd Dr Burn Chancellor. The Bishop did not appear in his Diocese this year.

1773

April 12th. Joseph son of Joseph Ritson of Welton Weaver and Grocer and Margaret his Wife aged 11 Weeks. Bur.

1773 Sept. 5th. John son of Ninian Johnston of Shaulk Head Labourer and Jane his Wife. Bp.

1773 Dec. 19th. William son of Jonathan Pugmire of Tobit Hill Labourer and Sarah his Wife. From Sowerby. Bp.

1774 May 16th. Mary Daughter of Robert Miles of the Parish of Rothbury in Northumberland Potter or Vagrant and Margaret his Wife. N. Bene. This is a Mistake it ought to have been on the other side. The Child was baptized the day above written, not buried.

And at the bottom of the page :

N.B. There is a Birth on this side inserted in Haste or by Mistake.
John Stubbs.

1774 June 29th. Isaac Hudson from Bustebeck Widower, and a Lodger at Thomas Wilkinson's, aged 78 years. From Sowerby. Bur.

1774 December 16th. Mary Daughter of Thomas Mark of Gilbrow Fuller or Labourer and Martha his Wife. Bp.

1775 January 29th. Mary Wilson of Braithwaite a poor Woman maintained by the Hamlet of Braithwaite aged 80. Bur.

1775

August 18th. Richard Fothergill from Russendale *alias* Ravenstone Dale in Westmorland yeoman being on a visit to his friends Thomas Relph and William Robson of Ling who married his Daughters, he was seized by Death in the 79th year of his age. Bur.

1776 January 2d. Sarah Clark Widow or Relict of Robert Clark late of Borranshill Householder and yeoman aged 97 years. She was a Widow nigh 40 years.

1776 October 21st. Sarah Wife of Mr. Robson Clarke of Loning Foot Bleacher aged 34 years. Br.

1780 July 16. Mr. Robert Jefferson Senior of Caudey Beck yeoman and Householder aged 85. Br.

1781 January 22nd. Mary Daughter of David Irwin of Warnel Schoolmaster and Frances his Wife aged 1 year 8 Months. Br.

1782 July 21st. Dickey son of John Emerson of Hartrigg Farmer and Mary his Wife. Bap.

1783 N.B. A Tax of Three Pence was by Act of Parliament laid upon

upon every Birth Mariage and Funeral, and it took place on October the first.

1784 January 21st. Betty Daughter of John Head late of Cowgill yeoman and Betty his Wife aged $1\frac{3}{4}$ of a year a Pauper. Bur.

1784 July 12th. Mr. Jonathan Brown late of Philadelphia but now of Town Head, yeoman and Householder aged 55 years. Bur.

1785 May 6th. Jane Daughter of John Clark of the City of Carlisle Stamper and Mary his Wife aged $2\frac{1}{2}$ years. Br.

1777 November 23d. Mary Daughter of Michael young Potter and Vagrant and Jane his Wife, born at William Stalker's Welton. Bp.

1778 January 4th.

1781 March 8th. William son of Joseph Richardson of Welton Parish Clerk and Margaret his Wife. Bp.

1779

January 24th. Elizabeth Relict of William Graham late of Sebergham Bridge End Miller and Innkeeper. Aged 80 years. Bur.

1779 August 31st. William Bell from Tues Gill Mill Miller and Householder aged 80 years. Bur.

1787 March 2nd. Nancy Daughter of William Barker of Caldey Beck, Fidler and Labourer and Rebecca his wife late Richardson. Bap.

1787 March 17th. Robert son of Joseph Richardson of Welton Weaver and Parish Clerk and Margaret his Wife, (late Routledge). Bap.

1787 June 5th. Jonathan Barker of Caldey Beck Lodger, formerly Householder aged 88 years. No Duty. Bur.

1787 August 2d. Miss Sally Simpson Daughter of John Simpson Esquire of Loning Foot and Sarah his Wife aged 23 years. Bur.

1786 May 12th. Mary Hudson Relict of the late Lancelotte Hudson of Lime Kiln Nook yeoman and Householder aged 84 years. Castle Sowerby. Br.

1787 January 13th. Mary Harrison of Church Town Singlewoman aged 82 years. Br.

1788 September 18th. John Richardson of Hartness Lane yeoman Householder and Miller aged 58 years.

1791 December 9th. Elizabeth Richardson of Hartness Lane Lodger and Singlewoman aged 68 years. Br.

1788 November 27th. Elizabeth Marrs Wife of the Revd Mr. Marrs of Hesket New Market Curate of Mungrisdale aged 26 years. Br.

1792 May 8th. James son of the Rev James Marrs of Hesket New Market Curate of Mungrisdale and Bella his Wife aged $\frac{3}{4}$ of a year. Br.

1805.

1805. The Revd James Marrs Incumbent of Grisdale, but residing at Thistle Hall in the Parish of Caldbeck aged 73 years. Br.

1790 November 9th. Jane Daughter of Joseph Farlam of Tves Gill Mill Miller and Mary his wife (late Richardson late Atkinson). Bp.

1791 April 24th. Elizabeth Daughter of Jacky Bushby of Welton Weaver and Elizabeth his Wife (late Stubbs) Born that Day. Bp.

1791 May 10th. Jacky Bushby of Welton Weaver aged 23 years. Br.

1791 June 7th. Thomas Harrison of Rosley Householder and Shoemaker aged 88 years a Pauper. Br.

1791 May 19th. Sarah Wilson a Pauper from Castle Sowerby Relict of Jonathan Wilson formerly of Sowerby Mill aged 60 years. Br.

1791 April 18th. Jane Daughter of Thomas Simpson of Pasture Shalk side Collier and Jane his Wife (late Mounsey).

1791 November 29. John son of William Stalker of Welton yeoman and Jane his Wife aged 20 years, just returned from Prussia. Br.

1792 December 11th. Mary Wife of John Clarke of Carlisle Manufacturer aged 32 years. She died at her Father's-in-Law Mr. Robert Clarke of Sebergham Bridge after a long Illness. Br.

1793 March 26

Born and Baptized Saul son of Henry Frizzle of Welton yeoman and Elizabeth his Wife (late Watson). Br.

1793 June 1st. Frances Wife of James Hodgson of Hazzle Gill Warnel Fell Collier aged 64 years. Br.

1793 October 19th. James son of William Mayson of Kilngate Collier and Elizabeth his Wife (late Forster).

The colliery on Warnel Feil is frequently spoken of :

1793 June 19th. Mary Daughter of Robert Twentyman late of Warnel Fell Turnpike Gate Labourer and Mary his Wife aged 16 years. Br.

1793 July 5th. Lennox formerly Householder at Scotby near Carlisle and Labourer ; but late a Lodger with his son John Lennox at Nether Welton aged 70 years. Br.

1794 June 21st. Margaret Daughter of Thomas Simpson of Hartrigg Collier and of Jane his Wife (late Mounsey). Bp.

1794 June 21st. Margaret Daughter of James Thompson of Welton Labourer and of Jane his Wife (late Machell heretofore Armstrong). Bp.

Cauda Beck now takes the name of Caldew Beck.

1794 February 4th

John

John Reid of Shaulk Foot Dalston yeoman and Lodger but formerly of Welton aged 85 years. Br.

1795 February 19th. Joseph Livock only son of Edward Livock of Gill Whins yeoman and Dish Thrower aged 21 years. Br.

William Irving of Hesket New Market in the Parish of Caldbeck Surgeon aged 31 and Mally Dobson of this Parish Spinster aged 20 were married in this Church by Licence this sixteenth Day of February in the year 1788 by me John Stubbs Assistant Curate.

1803 April 17th. Died Mr. Robert Irving of Sebergham Loning Foot Lodger with Mr. Robert Clarke of Sebergham do and Father of Dr. Irving of Hesket New Market, yeoman aged 79 years. Buried at St. Cuthbert's Carlisle April 20th following.

1795 February 11th

Mally Wife of Mr. William Irving of Hesket New Market Surgeon and only Child and Daughter of Mr. Joseph Dobson of Monkhouse Hill aged 27 years, of child birth. Bur.

1795 July 19th. William Pattinson of Newlands yeoman and Householder a Quaker buried at Whelpa in Caldbeck, aged 83 years. Br.

This must be the one quaker mentioned in the county histories, as belonging to the parish about this time.

1796 June 23d. Born and Baptized Betty Daughter of Joseph Armstrong of Warnel Labourer and of Ulphannas his Wife (late Austain).

From this year onward dates of births are added sometimes, oftener merely the ages of children.

1796 October 1st. Jane Daughter of Mr. Robson Clarke of Loning Foot Bleacher and of Sarah his Wife (late Nixon). Bp.

1796 April 1st. Nixon son of Mr. Robson Clarke of Loning Foot Bleacher and of Sarah his Wife aged 29 Weeks. Br.

1796 July 31st. Mary Patterson single woman and servant with Mr. John Westray of Beck Foot nigh High Head Castle aged 52 years. Br.

1796 August 22nd. Jane Wife of John Holiday of Dalston Brewery Clogger and Daughter of William Graham of Sebergham Village B. Smith and of Eleanor his Wife aged 27 years. Br.

1796 October 21st. Sarah Wife of Mr. Robson Clarke of Loning Foot Bleacher aged 34 (in Childbirth). Br.

Parson Stubbs was certainly full enough in his details.

1797 July 30th. Born and Baptized Betty Daughter of John Fish of
Hazzle

Hazzle Gili Cordwainer; but generally resident at Tarraby in the parish of Stanwix and of Mary his Wife (late Davidson). Bp.

1797 April 20th. Mary Daughter of William Hutchinson and Charlotte his Wife (two travelling People who had lodged all Night at Nether Welton) aged 10 Days. Bur.

1798 January 21st. Moriah Daughter of George Murray of Whaites Head Farmer and of Sarah his Wife (late Robinson). Bp.

1798 July 9th. Jane Daughter of Thomas Watson of Hawksdale Esquire and of Mary his Wife aged seventeen Weeks. Bap.

1799 January 13th. Christened Anne Daughter of William Miller of Welton Dealer in Earthen Ware and of Martha his Wife (late Miller) born January 8th 1794 at Barnard Castle.

1799 April 25th. Esther Daughter of Joseph Stalker of Sebergham Hall Farmer and of Betty his wife (late Barnes) born 24th of March Easter Day 1799. Bp.

1799 July 24th. Martha Daughter of Peter Hutchinson of Welton Basket Maker and of Jane his Wife late Aikin. Bp.

1799 October 20th. Elizabeth Irving of Newlands Single Woman aged 80 years. Br.

1799 December 2nd. Robert Stockdale of Ling yeoman and Bachelor aged about 90 years. Br.

1800 April 20th. James Robert son of Mr. William Potts of Blattern in the Parish of Irthington yeoman and of Grace his Wife (late Ellwood) born at his Father's in Law Mr. James Ellwood of Sebergham Village April 13th 1800. Easter Sunday.

1799 July 15th. William son of William Barker of Borranshill Fidler and of Rebecca his Wife (late Richardson). Bp.

In 1800 William Barker fidler, labourer and householder, lost a boy of nine months, and a daughter of eighteen and died himself, aged only 40.

1800 April 8th. Elizabeth Wife of Isaac Steward Junior of Cow Gill Newlands Castle Sowerby Pitman and Labourer aged 26 years. Bur.

1801 July 5th. Ann Barker Relict of the late Isaac Barker a Parish Pauper and she likewise, aged about 80 years. Bur.

1802 March 25th. Ann Daughter of John Lamb of Kirkby Stephen Westmorland Chimney Sweeper and of Ann his supposed Wife.

The same suspicion is repeated in the burial entry of the child two or three days after.

1802 February 6th. Dinah Daughter of William Nicholson, now of Caldbeck

Caldbeck Taylor and of Mary his Wife (late Stubbs) Born at Carlisle in the Parish of St. Mary, nigh Moot Hall January 2nd 1803.

1803 April 22nd. Thomas son of Thomas Carr of Sebergham Brow Turnpike-Gate Servant Bleacher with Mr. Robson Clarke of Sebergham Bridge and of Hannah his Wife (late Whitworth). Bap.

1803 January 9th. Frances Routledge Relict of the late Thomas Routledge of Low Hesket in the Forest Farmer, but now from Bustey Beck in the Parish of Castle Sowerby aged 78 years. Bur.

1800 August 27th. Margaret Dodd of Bustey Beck Castle Sowerby Widow Relict of the late William Dodd of Cogo near Appleby Westmorland Miller aged 83 years.

1800 December 19th. Charlotte Daughter of Mr. Joseph Stalker of Sebergham Hall Farmer and of Betty his Wife (late Barnes) Born the 8 of December 1800.

1803 March 13th. Michael Macdonald from Warnel Fell Turn Pike Gate many years a Parish Pauper aged 91 years. Bur.

1803 April 21st. Mrs. Sally Robson from Crosthwaite Keswick, Lodger with her son-in-law the Revd Isaac Denton Vicar thereof, and relict of the late Isaac Robson of Grassgarth yeoman, aged 80 years. Bur.

Altogether 1803 with its glorious summer and dry autumn managed to prove fatal to many of the leading people in Sebergham. Mrs. Mary Faulder passed away in May.

1804 April 3d. Robert Clarke of Cauda Beck yeoman Householder and Weaver aged 50, he died in Westward Parish where he married his Wife just a year after he married. Bur.

1804 May 25th. Elizabeth Relict of the late Robert Milburn of Welton Mason, a Widow when she married him called Taylor aged 80 years.

1804 July 13th. Mary Reed, Relict of the late James Reed of Sebergham Bridge Labourer aged 58 years, she survived her husband about 1/4 of a year.

1804 November 27th. Simpson Slack from Newlands late a Clerk in the New River Office London aged 35 years.

1804 December 9th. Elizabeth Relict of the late William Elliotte of Newby in the Parish of Irthington Mason, aged 74 years. She died with her son John Elliotte Innkeeper at Goose Green.

1804 Octr 20th. Mary Daughter of William Gibson of Sebergham Church Town Labourer and of Sibyl his Wife born Sept 8th and bapt Oct 20 his Wife's late name Mitchell.

1804 November 20th. Born and Baptized Aaron son of Christopher Moses

Moses of Welton Town Head or Green Head Farmer and of Dinah his Wife (late Todd).

The last entry is in the handwriting probably of some parish clerk :

1805 Decr 25. Robert Bell of Sowerby Mill in the Parish of Castle Sowerby aged 77 years.

The third volume of the Sebergham registers is 12 inches long, $6\frac{1}{2}$ broad, bound in parchment. On one side is written "Parish of Sebergham register of marriages." It begins in the middle of the volume, in 1754, with Mr. Samuel Relph's neat handwriting. The first pages of the book are taken up with accounts of parish meetings. Marriages by licence up to 1770 are kept separately. Parson Stubbs manages to impart some interest even to his dry record. To begins with he always gives the ages of the contracting parties. This did not generally matter as they were in the majority of cases very young indeed, but one feels that when Thomas Bourtholme, labourer, aged 26 marries Mary Stalker spinster aged 33, the ladies must have disliked the custom.

The consent of parents seems to have been required even when the bride was over twenty-one, in cases of marriages by licence.

Anthony Dawson of the Parish of Kirkby Ireleth in the County of Lancashire Singleman aged 23 and Jane Monkhouse of this Parish aged 23, were married in this Church by License, with Consent of Robert Monkhouse Father of the said Jane, this eighth Day of September in the year 1774 by me

John Stubbs Curate
Anthony Dawson
Jane Dawson
(late Monkhouse).

This marriage was solemnized
between us

In the Presence of { Henry Denton Clerk
William Taylor

The

The bride always signed thus in the rare cases when she could sign. Otherwise the signature was written for her.

Here are people of higher degrees :

John Hodgson of the Parish of St. Mary's in the City of Carlisle Surgeon aged 32 and Esther Simpson of this Parish Spinster aged 21 were married in this Church by Licence, with Consent of John Simpson Esquire Father of the said Esther, this twelfth Day of December in the year 1776.

This marriage was solemnized between us	By me John Stubbs Assistant Curate John Hodgson Esther Hodgson (late Simpson)
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In the Presence of
Thos Hodgson
Robt Jefferson

By one of these entries we find that Woodhouse, now called Parkhouse, below Nether Welton, the home of the Faulders, was deemed extra parochial.

1777 Banns of Marriage between William Rowlins of Woodhouse deemed extra parochial and Mary Skurr of the Parish of Castle Sowerby were published in this Church three several Sundays last past according to Act of Parliament and no Objection was made by me.

John Stubbs
Assistant Curate

They were married accordingly.

1786

John Furness of the Parish of Westward Schoolmaster aged 21 and Mary Jefferson of the same Parish Spinster aged 18 were married in this Church by Banns this 4th Day of September in the year 1786 by me J. Stubbs Assistant Curate.

N.B. Westward Church was wholly rebuilt this year.

1787

Thomas Furnace of this Parish aged — and Margaret Wood of this Parish likewise aged — were married in this Church by License (with Consent of Mary McKie her Mother, formerly married to Daniel Wood Deceased) in this Church by —

License

License could not be procured for this Couple as the Girl was a Minor and the Lord High Chancellor her Guardian.

The above was inserted too prematurely.

John Stubbs, Assistant Curate.

The "Lord High Chancellor" may well have objected.

1787 Thomas Furnace of this Parish yeoman and Widower aged 53 and Margaret Wood of this Parish likewise Spinster aged 15 were married in this Church by Banns this fifth Day of August 1787, by me

John Stubbs, Assistant Curate.

The disparity as we have said before was not always on one side; witness the very next marriage in the book. The combination "Widow and Spinster" is remarkable:

John Mundall of this Parish Labourer aged 25 and Ann Simpson of this Parish likewise Widow and Spinster aged 47 were married in this Church by Banns this third day of November 1787.

By me John Stubbs Assistant Curate.

In this decade, brides are often older than their grooms. Here is the only mention of a seafaring man to be found either in these registers or in the old ones of Dalston.

1787 Joseph Tunstall of Mary Port in the Parish of Cross Cannonby Mariner aged 29 and Mary Stalker of this Parish Single Woman aged 22 were married in this Church by License this 26th Day of November in the year 1787 by me John Stubbs Assistant Curate.

This Marriage was
solemnized between us

Joseph Tunstall
Mary Tunstall
(late Stalker).

In the Presence of

Thos Faulder
C Castlehow

1791 Jacky Bushby of this Parish Weaver aged 22 and Elizabeth Stubbs of this Parish likewise Spinster aged 21 were married in this Church by Banns this fourth Day of January in the year 1791 by me.

John Stubbs Assistant Curate

This Marriage was
solemnized between us

Jacky Bushby
late Stubbs

In the Presence of

Joseph Bushby
Betty Clark

her mark

The

The name Shadrack appears sometimes. There is a Shadrack Fidler in Dalston registers. Rechab Wood dwelt at Gill Whins in 1795 and married Nancy Hetherington.

Joseph Elan of this Parish perhaps of Parkhead deemed extra parochial in the Manor of Caldbeck, Bachelor and Farmer, aged 28 and Isabella Hoodless of this Parish spinster aged 20 were married in this Church by Banns this 8th Day of June in the year 1795

by me Jos Rogerson

Curate pro Tempore

This Marriage
was solemnized
between us

Joseph Elan
Isabella Elan late
Hoodless her Mark

In the Presence of

Thomas Hoodless
Robert Sewell

Banns of Marriage between William Harrison and Ann Wallace both of this Parish were published in this Church 3 several Sundays in October 15th 22nd and 29th (and no Objection was alledged) by me John Stubbs Assistant Curate

William Richardson of the Parish of Caldbeck Labourer and Widower aged 65, and Mary Graham of this Parish Widow aged 61 were married in this Church by Banns this 8th Day of September in the year 1798 by me

This Marriage was
solemnized between us
In the Presence of

George Tincler
William Tinkler

John Stubbs Assist Curate
William Richardson
Mary Richardson
late Graham
heretofore Bell
her Mark

The fourth volume of the Sebergham registers is 15 inches long, 9 $\frac{7}{8}$ wide, and bound in rough calf. It has printed headings, one half for "Births and Christenings," one half for burials, is entitled "the Register Book for Births and Christenings, Burials, in all Parish Churches and Chapels, conformable to an Act of the Twenty-third of King George the Third, entitled," "an Act for granting to his Majesty a Stamp Duty on the Registry of Burials, Marriages, Births and Christenings," and is published

"For

“For W. Lowndes, No. 76, Fleet Street.” The entries are of no special interest.

In conclusion my warm thanks are due to the present Rector of Sebergham, the Rev. H. Whitmore, M.A., for his great kindness in allowing me to make extracts from his registers. I must also acknowledge with grateful thanks the valuable help given me by Mr. Robert Ferguson, F.S.A., on the subject of the place-name Sebergham. The beautiful valley, amid its wooded hills, threaded by the silver stream of the Caldew, was indeed a fit refuge for tired and prosecuted exiles, fit abode for the poet, sweet spot of repose for the hermit who here planted fruit trees in the wilderness, and reared his modest shrine where the church of St. Mary now rises. To the poets of whom this county is justly proud we commend the subject, praying them to tell us in their language of Seburgh the Norman lady, of Wastell the recluse,* of Kinneir the fugitive for his faith, of gentle Josiah Relph, and they might too spare a line and drop a tear for poor Parson Stubbs and his dismissal.

APPENDIX I.

THE PARISH TERRIER.

A full and true Terrier of ye Glebe Lands Tythe and the yearly profits antiently and of Custom belonging to ye Rectory of Sebergham in ye Diocess of Carlile Cumbri'd anno Dm 1731.

Impr Glebe Land two Closes near to ye Church and Church yard. Itm Sebergham Chh town field enclosed or not pays Tyth Corn and hay yearly when plow'd or mow'n.

Itm Lands belonging to Mr. Lampleugh's Estate call'd Ashes viz : Big Close Croft, Hills, pigeon Close, Bell Brow Cassmire pay Tyth corn yearly and for hay Tyth yearly two pence prescription at Whitsuntide.

* According to the county histories, to which the reader is referred, one Wastell a hermit first founded the chapel of Sebergham.

Itm Welton field from Welton gate to Eulock hill inclosed or otherwise from ye ring hedge to Welton broom dyke pays Tyth Corn yearly and one shilling for Hay Tyth. The whole parish of Seburgham pays Tyth wool and Lamb viz: one lamb of six if no more the owner of ye sheep having one half penny for every lamb over six and short of ten, five lambs pay a half lamb all lambs under five pay one half penny for tyth per head.

Easter Reckonings by Custom accounted for from Martinmass to Martinmass next and payable ye Easter next after viz: every new calv'd cow two pence half penny and every strip milk cow one half penny. Six calves in one hand in ye year pay ten groats prescription. The owner having two pence for every calf short of ten: five calves in ye year pay five groats prescript: new calv'd cows where a Tyth calf or half a calf is due pay one half penny per head for Tyth milkness in ye year: piggs of one & ye same litter pay a tyth pigg at six if no more the owner having one farthing at every pig short of ten, five piggs pay a half pigg geese pay a goose of six young ones if no more the owner having a farthing out for every young goose under ten where there is neither a whole nor an half tyth the owner pays a farthing pr head both for piggs and young Geese. Every foal in ye year pays two pence, every cast of bees in ye year pays two pence every plough in ye year one penny more or less portionally. Hemp in ye year one half penny. Lint in ye year one penny. Husband and wife pay comunicant money four pence and if any more in one and ye same house penny half penny per head yearly. The Minister finding every Easter all eliments and the other two times in ye year at ye parish charge.

A wedding one Shilling a Churching eight pence a Burial one Shilling the bier by custom to be left or two pence in lieu of it if carried away. No tyth hens but a penny or a penny worth of eggs of every Tennmt at Easter. A mortuary ten shillings and Inventory ten groats.

The yearly prescription for Tennemets followeth.

APPENDIX II.

A Plan was adopted in 1800 for Repairing the Church Road from the Vicarage or Parsonage Gate to the School House or low Church Gate; by Subscription as an Occupation Road to some, and especially as a Church Road to Newlands People and the Hamlets of Middle-sceugh and Braithwaite and others of Sebergham High Bound.

OCCUPIERS

		S. D.
OCCUPIERS OF LANDS.	{ Joseph Hewer	10 6
	{ Mr Ellwood late Jackson	10 6
	{ Mr Sheepshanks Curate	10 6
	{ Rev Mr Relph	2 6
	{ Laird Stalker	2 6
	{ Mr John Studholme	2 6
FREE CONTRIBUTION.	{ Miss Briscos*	2 6
	{ John Wallas Town Head	1
CASTLE SOWERBY	{ William Graham	1
	{ Isaac Hudson Sour Nook	1
MIDDLESCEUGH AND BRAITHWAITE.	{ Mrs Bowman Beckfoot	2
	{ John Sewell	2
DO. BRAITHWAITE	{ George Atkinson	2 6
	{ George Dixon	1
DO. MIDDLESCEUGH	{ Edward Railton	2
	{ John Watt	1 6
CASTLE SOWERBY.	{ Isaac Taylor	1
	{ Mr Jameson	2
DO. BRAITHWAITE	{ Joseph Monkhouse M.S. Hall	1
	{ Monkhouse Stockwell	2
DO. MIDDLESCEUGH	{ Mrs	1
	{ William Railton	2
DO. MIDDLESCEUGH	{ Henry Stalker	1
	{ Christopher Parker	1
UNDER THE BISHOP OF CARLISLE.	{ Castle Sowerby	
	{ Richard Nicholson	6
LOW BOUND SEBRAM.	{ Do. Newlands	
	{ Daniel Relph Do	1
LOW BOUND SEBRAM.	{ Starn Mire	
	{ Joseph Faulder Parkhouse	2 6
LOW BOUND SEBRAM.	{ John Simpson Newlands	6
	{ Robert Jefferson Bulman Hill	1
LOW BOUND SEBRAM.	{ Richard Sewell Braithwaite	1
	{ Robert Richardson Tarn End	1
CASTLE SOWERBY.	{ Stephen Richardson Ch Town	
	{ John Routledge Bustey Beck	1
CASTLE SOWERBY.	{ Johnston Newland C.S.	1
High Sebergham for late Whitelock's—of Barras his Heir*	{ John Burtholme who married his oldest Daughter	1

* Sir John Brisco's name appears in 1798 as a ratepayer in Sebergham.

APPENDIX III.

THE DENTONS DE WARNALL DENTON.*

- 1698 Janr 15. Henry sone of Mr. Thomas Denton. Bp.
 1706 (no date). Henry Denton. Bur.
 1711 7ber 24. Tho. sone of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1712 febr 5. Henry Denton. Bur.†
 1713 May 7. Mary daughter of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1714 Sber 28. Dorothy Daughter of Mr. Thomas Denton. Bp.
 1715 Janr 26. John son of Mr. Thomas Denton de Warnall Denton. Bp.
 1717 Janr 10. Lancelot son of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1717 8ber 27. Heniy son of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1719 May 31. Jane Daughter of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1722 Janr 11. Bridget Daughter of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bap.
 1723 May 2. Charles son of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bap.
 1725 June 6. Ann Daughter of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1728 April 14. Eliz. daughter of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bp.
 1730 Xber 29. Charles son of Mr. Tho. Denton. Bur.
 1744 May 20. Thomas Jefferson and Bridget Denton. M.
 1744 Sept 20. Thomas son of Mr. John Denton. Bp.
 1746 Sept 18. Jane D. of Mr. John Denton of Warnel Hall. Bp.
 1746 Nov 14. Jane Daughter of Mr. John Denton. Bur.
 1748 August 19. Denton son of Jeofrey Jack. Bur.
 1748 Nov 23. Barbary Daughter of Mr. John Denton. Bp.
 1749 Sept 21. Thomas Denton Esq. Br. ‡
 1775 March 5th. Jane Denton from Cald Beck Widow of Thomas Denton late of Warnel Hall Esq aged 89. Br. §
 1775 September 30th. John Denton of Warnel Hall Esquire aged 59 years. Br. ||
 (1783 February 10th. Jonathan Cowper Widower and Servant at Warnel Hall aged 85 years. Br).
 1786 April 27th. Mrs. Mary Denton Relict of the late John Denton of Warnel Hall Esquire aged 80 years. Br.
 James Hudson of the Parish of Caldbeck Yeoman and Attorney at Law¶ aged 25 and Barbara Denton of this Parish Spinster aged 32 were married in this church by license this tenth Day of May in the year 1781 by me

John Stubbs

Assistant Curate.

This Marriage was solemnized
 between us

In the Presence of Thos. Denton.
 Wm. Irving.

Ja Hudson
 Barbara Hudson
 (late Denton).

* For other Denton entries, see these Transactions Vol. vii., p. 206.

† These Henry Dentons may belong to the Greenfoot family; it is impossible clearly to distinguish the two.

‡ This was the Mr. Thomas Denton who heads the names of the Sixteen men in 1712.

§ Probably the mother of the numerous children entered above.

|| Now it was that the Dentons sold Warnel Hall to the Lowthers.

¶ Was not this gentleman Chapter Clerk at Carlisle? The lady was daughter of Mr. John Denton, of Warnell Hall, see birth above in 1748.

APPENDIX IV.

THE DENTONS OF GREENFOOT.

1723 Xber 2. Tho. son of Thomas Denton. bp. This was afterwards the Curate of Sebergham.

His parents marriage and the baptisms of his four brothers are entered thus :

1718 Sber 20. Isaac Denton and Matilda Stanwix. M.

1719 July 12. Henry son of Isaac Denton. bp.

1719 Xber 12. Isaac* son of Isaac Denton. bp.

1725 March 14. Jo. son of Isaac Denton. bp.

(John Denton took orders).

1729 July 3. Richd.† son of Isaac Denton. bp.

1745 July 26. Henry‡ son of Henry Denton. bp.

1749 Dec 21. St. Thomas Day. Thomas son of Mr. Henry Denton of Greenfoot. bp.

1758 Isaac Denton and Elizabeth Denton of this Parish were married in this church by Licence this 16 day of December 1758 by me Samuel Relphe Curate.

1759 Oct 13. Elizabeth wife of Mr. Isaac Denton. Br.

1760 June 4. Mary Daughter of Mr. Henry Denton. Bp.

1763 Janry 21. Matilda Denton widow. Br.

1774 October 5th. Jane, Wife of Henry Denton of Greenfoot yeoman aged 52 years. Br.

1776 December 9th. Henry Denton of Greenfoot yeoman and Householder aged 57 years. Br.

1777 June 26th. Jane Daughter of the Revd. Henry Denton of Greenfoot Curate of Castle Sowerby and Jane his Wife. Bp.

1777 June 27th. At London the Revd. Thomas Denton Curate of Sebergham. Br.

1780 February 11th. Sarah Daughter of the Revd. Henry Denton Vicar of Newburn and Curate of Castle Sowerby and Jane his Wife. Bp.

1782 June 18th. Isaac son of the Revd. Henry Denton Vicar of Crossthwaite and Curate of Castle Sowerby and Jane his wife. Bp.

1783 Thomas Glaister of the Parish of Abbey Holme yeoman aged 28 and Mary Denton of this Parish spinster aged 23 were married in this Church by License this first Day of September in the year 1783 by me J. Stubbs Assist Curate.

1785 March 10th. Henry son of the Revd. Henry Denton of Greenfoot Vicar of Crossthwaite and Curate of Castle Sowerby. Bp.

1786 January 25th. Isaac son of the Revd Mr. Isaac Denton of Loning Foot Vicar of Crossthwaite and Sally his Wife. Bp.

1789 June 9th. Mary Daughter of the Revd. Mr. Henry Denton of Greenfoot Vicar of Broomfield and Curate of Castle Sowerby and Jane his Wife (late Greenhow).

1791 October 10th. Matilda Daughter of the Revd. Henry Denton of Greenfoot Vicar of Broomfield and Curate of Castle Sowerby and Jane his Wife (late Greenhow) Bp.

1793 December 14th. Born and Baptized John son of the Rev. Henry Denton of

* This would be the Bishops steward or secretary. See page 23.

† He afterwards had a place in the Customs.

‡ He was afterwards Vicar of Bromfield, his father lived and died at Greenfoot. See Hutchinson, Vol. ii., p. 420.

Greenfoot Vicar of Broomfield and Curate of Castle Sowerby and of Jane his Wife late Greenhow.

1797 March 9th. Born and Baptized Ann Daughter of the Revd. Henry Denton of Greenfoot Vicar of Broomfield and Curate of Castle Sowerby and of Jane his Wife (late Greenhow)

1798 September 5th. Mary Daughter of Robert Sewell of Kiln Gate yeoman and of Jane his Wife (late Denton).

1799 April 7th. The Revd. Mr. Henry Denton of Greenfoot. Householder, Vicar of Broomfield and Curate of Castle Sowerby aged 54 years.

1800 April 18th Anne Daughter of Mr. Robert Sewell of Kilngate yeoman and of Jane his Wife (late Denton) born 18th of March 1800.

1802 April 19th. John son of Mr. Robert Sewell of Kiln Gate yeoman and of Jane his Wife (late Denton) born 17th of March same year

1805 Janr 21st. William Henry son of Mr. Robt. Sewell of Kiln Gate yeoman and of Jane his Wife (late Denton) born and baptized.

. . . . Robert son of Mr. Robert Sewell of Kilngate yeoman and of Jane his Wife late Denton was born Decr. 10th 1806 and Christened Janry 25th 1807.

Joseph Denton Son of Robert Sewell of this Parish and Jane his wife late Denton was born Aug 12th and Christened Sepr. 11th 1808.

APPENDIX V.

THE NICOLSONS.

1699 March 21 James sone of William Nicolson. Bp.

1698 July 29. Jo. Nicolson. Bur.

1707 Augst 3. Edwd sone of Jonathan Nicolson. Bap.

1709 Nov. 14. Mary Daughter of Jon. Nicolson. Bp.

1710 Novr. Jonathan Nicolson. Br.

1713 Joseph Nicolson Lettice Ritson. M.

1713 Sbr 18. Jo. sone of Jonathan Nicolson. Bp.

1714 March 29. Caleb sone of Jonathan Nicolson. Bp.

1714 gber 14. Joh. Dodson and Jane Nicolson. M.

1715 April 14. Lettice daughter of Joh. Nicolson. Bp.

1715 Jun 2d. Isaac Relf and Margaret Nicolson. M.

1716 Xber 27. Eliz. Nicolson. br.

1717 Jun 5. Eliz. daughter of Joseph Nicolson. Br.

1717 June 19. Jonathan Nicolson. Br.

1719 June 3. Jo. son of Joseph Nicolson. Bp.

1719 7ber 11. Joseph son of Joseph Nicolson. Br.

1720 June 4. Joseph son of Joseph Nicolson. Bp.

1721 7ber 3. Elizabeth* daughter of Isaac Relf. bp.

1722 gbr 5. Joseph and Mary son and daughter of Jonathan Nicolson. bp.

1722 April. Willm Nicolson. Br.

1722 July 24. Jonathan son of Joseph Nicolson. bp.

1723 May 5. Ja. Grahm and Ann Nicolson. M.

* Did she grow up and get married to Joseph Nicolson and did Josiah Relf leave her his MSS. or is it all a flight of fancy?

- 1724 June 3. Isaac son of Isaac Nicolson. Bp.
 1725 May 20. . . son of Joh. Nicolson. Bp.
 1725 July 19. William son of Isaac Nicolson. Bp.
 1725 March 24. Ja. son of Jonathan Nicolson. bp.
 1726 7ber 8. Jacob son of Joseph Nicolson. Bp.
 1727 9ber 23. Tho. Rawline Mary Nicolson. M.
 1727 Aug. 1. Mary daughr of Isaac Nicolson. Br.
 1727 7ber 7. Jo. son of Isaac Nicolson. Ch.
 1727 Xbr 25. Jo. Nicolson a Man. Ch.
 1728 June 5. Anne daughr of Joseph Nicolson. Ch.
 1730 Janry 10. Eliz. daughr of Isaac Nicolson. Cr.
 1735 Feb 4. Margaret Nicolson. Bur.
 1748 Sept 17. James Nicolson. Bur.
 1749 June 25. Jonathan Nicolson and Mary Robinson. M.
 1750 Nov. 29. Martha Dr of Jonathan Nicolson. Bp.
 1750 Janry 13. A. S. Joseph son of William Nicolson. Bp.
 1750 June 4. William Nicholson and Mary Simson Whitsun Munday. M.
 1752 Nov 19. Thomas Nicolson Householder. Br.
 1754 March 14. Anne Daughr of William Nicolson. bp.
 1757 Janry 6. Jonathan son of Jonathan Nicolson. bp.
 1757 May 22. The Revd. Mr. Nicolson from Whitehaven. buried.
 1758 Oct 6. Mrs. Rebeckah Nicolson. Br.
 1759 Richard Nicolson and Sarah Atkinson were married in this Church by Banns the third day of Sebtember in the year of Christ 1759
 1760 July 11. Esther Daughter of Richard Nicolson. Bp.
 1762 Sept 18. Elizabeth Daughter of Richard Nicolson. bp.
 1764 Sept 26. Anthony son of Joseph Nicolson. bp.
 1765 Oct 8. Deborah Sarah Daughter of Rich. Nicolson. bp.
 Jacob M'Clan and Ann Nicolson were married in this Church this 11th day of Aprill 1762.
 1766 Janry 8th. Martha Daugh. of Jonathan Nicolson. Br.
 1766 Janry 15. Thomas Nicolson Warnel Fell. Br.
 Isaac Stuart and Margaret Nicolson were married in this Church by Banns this 7th day February 1767.
 1770 Novr 25. Joseph Nicolson Warnel Fell. Br.
 1773 January 6th. Jane Nicolson of Warnel Widow of Thomas Nicolson late of High House aged 66.
 1773 Sarah Wife of John Nicolson of Sebergham Castle Farmer or Labourer aged 45.
 1776 November 20th. William son of John Nicolson of Sebergham Castle Farmer and Susannah his Wife. Bp.
 1777 February 20th. Mary Daughter of John Nicolson of Park Head Labourer
 1777 November 30. Nicholson* son of Isaac Steward of Warnel Fell.
 1778 January 19th. Sarah Daughter of John Nicolson of Sebergham Castle Farmer and Susannah his Wife.
 1778 Banns of Marriage between William Peat of this Parish and Margaret Nicolson of the Parish of Skelton were published in this Church three several Sundays

* In the latter part of the last century a child often is baptized by its mother's surname.

viz. :

viz: Novr 1st 8th and 15th by me John Stubbs Assistant Curate. Married at Skelton.

1778 December 30th. Abigail Nicholson Widow of Isaac Nicholson late of Warnel Fell, aged 79 years. Br.

1779 February 10th. George son of John Nicholson of Sebergham Castle Farmer and Susannah his Wife. Bp.

1780 April 1st. Jonathan son of Jonathan Nicholson of Warnel Fell yeoman and Elizabeth his Wife. Bp.

1782 July 21st. Harry son of Jonathan Nicholson Junior of Warnel Fell yeoman and Betty his wife. Bp.

1786 November 2nd Esther Daughter of Edward Toppin of Warnel Fell Labourer and Deborah (late Nicholson) his Wife. Bp.

1788 July 4th. Martha Daughter of Jonathan Nicholson Junior of Warnel Fell yeoman and Betty his Wife (late Hoodless) born 12th of June. Bp.

James Gibson of this Parish Labourer aged 22 and Christian Nicholson of this Parish likewise Spinster aged 21 were married in this Church by Banns this Sixth Day of August in the year of Our Lord 1781.

George Elliot of the Parish of Castle Sowerby Labourer aged 32 and Esther Nicholson of this Parish Spinster aged 22 were married in this Church by Banns this 25th Day of December in the year of Our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty one.

(I do not think it necessary always to add the signature of the Curate).

1782 Banns of Marriage between Jeremiah Gibson of this Parish and Mary Nicholson of the parish of Wetheral were Published in this Church three several Sundays namely September 15th 22nd and 29th as witness my Hand J. Stubbs Assist. Curate of Sebergham.

1789 March 31st. John son of Edward Toppin of Mountain or Abbots Farmer, and Deborah his Wife (late Nicholson).

1789 April 11th. Jeremiah son of Jeremiah Gibson of Shaulk Side Junior Farmer and Mary his Wife (late Nicolson).

1790 February 2nd. Mr. Jonathan Nicholson Senr. formerly of Fell Hill but late of Sebergham Loning Head yeoman and Householder aged 66 years.

1791 July 19th. Joseph son of Jeremiah Gibson of Mountain Farmer and Mary his Wife (late Nicholson).

1791 December 10th. Elizabeth Daughter of Edward Toppin of Abbots Farmer and Deborah his Wife (late Nicholson). bp.

1792 August 5th. Joseph son of Jonathan Nicholson of Sebergham Loning Head yeoman and Betty his Wife (late Hoodless). bp.

1793 December 15th. William son of Jeremiah Gibson of Mountain Farmer and of Mary his Wife (late Nicholson). bp.

1794 November 30th. Sarah Daughter of Edward Toppin of Abbots Farmer and of Deborah his Wife (late Nicholson). bp.

1803 April 28th. Richard Nicholson of Friar Hall nigh Caldbeck yet in the Parish of Sebergham House Holder and yeoman aged 70 years. Br.

1804 March 24th. Mrs. Jane Nicholson from the Widow's Hospital in Wigton born in this Parish at Church Town Widow of the late Revd. John Nicholson Curate of Whitehaven aged 78 years. She had been a Widow 47 years.

1811 Elizabeth Nicholson aged 81 years of this Parish was buried June 3d 1811.

Jane Daughter of Edward Toppen of Welton Farmer of Deborah his Wife late Nicholson was Born June 9th and Christened Dec. 25 1806.

Hannah

Hannah Daughter of Jeremiah Gibson of Mountain Farmer and of Mary his Wife late Nicholson was born July 4th and Christened Novr 9th 1806.
Elizabeth Nicholson aged 81 of this Parish was buried June 3d 1811.

APPENDIX VI.

SCHOOLMASTERS OF SEBERGHAM, WELTON, BY REV. J. STUBBS.

An account of the Schoolmasters who taught at the school near the church first built about the year 1745.

The great Josiah Relph taught about 12 years in the house of William Jackson's and died 1743.

Mr. Blain an excellent Scholar at Monkhouse Hill afterwards Vicar of Lazonby* and Curate of Greystoke.

1. The first in the school Edmund Wells afterwards Curate perpetual of Hayton† and Cumwhitton.
2. Thomas Dixon removed to a good free school in Yorkshire Clerk.
3. Samuel Hallifax afterwards Curate of Westward.‡
4. Benjamin Barton afterwards Curate perpetual at Armathwaite.
5. A Wm Reed afterwards Curate in Yorkshire.
6. Jno Jackson afterwards Vicar of Morland.§
7. A William Tickell afterwards Curate in the South.
8. Jno Relph afterwards Curate in Lancashire.
9. Jno Stubbs for 23 years Master and Assistant Curate of the Parish; many fine Lads educated in that time.
10. Matthew Stalker appointed Master 1798 Curate of Hesket Forest now.
- 11th. John Stubbs Assistant Curate 1795 1796 1797 1799 1800 1801 1802 1803 1804. Scurvily dismissed from his Curacy (not by his employer) in the Beginning of the New Year 1805.

I may perhaps be allowed to quote the words of the poet Sanderson concerning Parson Stubbs :

His irregular and unclerical conduct at length reached the ears of his diocesan, and he was dismissed from his curacy at Sebergham, but not suspended from the exercise of his functions. His worthy principal (the late Mr. Sheepshanks) parted with his curate with great reluctance, for he had a high opinion of his literary abilities, and of the general integrity of his character. He was also under the necessity of resigning the village Grammar School, which he had long taught with reputation. To him, and to the late Rev. Josiah Relph, Sebergham was indebted for that preeminence in classical literature which long distinguished it;

* 1771. † 1757. ‡ 1777. § 1773.

and

and if the present people of Sebergham be not, like their predecessors, a race of scholars, they may at least in the pride of ancestry, say "Trojani fuimus."

Sanderson's Remains p. 100.

The names of Relp, of Blain, of Halifax, and of Jackson still rank high in the class of Cumberland pedagogues. . . . The second before, his removal to the Grammar School at Wigton, dispensed his rudimental instruction to the natives of this parish from a mud built solitary hut, situated upon the edge of a dreary uninhabited common. In the latter part of his life he performed the parochial duties at Greystoke, near Penrith, as curate to Dr. Law, at that time Bishop of Carlisle, an incumbent of the rectory, and occasionally acted as his lordship's domestic and examining chaplain.

The third of those praiseworthy village teachers was also highly conversant in classic lore. He succeeded his predecessor in Sebergham, likewise in the Grammar School at Wigton, and was promoted to the perpetual curacy at Westward.

The last of them, the Rev. John Jackson, was a native of the parish, and was educated under the care of the Revd. William Cowper, who then presided over the Grammar School at Penrith, and appears to have been an intimate associate of Josiah Relp. Mr. Jackson was ordained about the canonical age and shortly after became curate to, and the bosom friend of, the Rev. Mr. Baldwin, at that time prebendary of Carlisle and Vicar of Edenhall . . . who further procured for him by his interest with the Dean and Chapter of Carlisle, the vicarage of Morland where he continued to reside till his death. . . . To his classical attainments, which were certainly of the first rank, he united a considerable acquaintance with the modern improvements in arts and sciences, and no mean skill in the more abstruse investigations of pure and mixed mathematics. He was the friend of Paley to whom in his philosophical researches he bore a considerable analogy. *Ibid*, xvii-xxi.

WELTON.

Low Bound or Welton School built about 1758 First Master Henry Nicholson afterwards Clerk.

- 2 Joseph Robinson afterwards Clerk.
- 3 Andrew Patrickson afterwards Clerk.
- 4 John Atkinson afterwards Vicar of Preston.
- 5 Thomas Rickerby a Layman
- 6 William Nelson afterwards Clerk.
- 7 Jno. Stubbs afterwards Assistant Curate of Sebergham.
- 8 William Gaskin after p. Curate of Wreay.*
- 9 William Armstrong after Vicar of Ainstable.†
- 10 Thomas Thompson after Clerk.
- 11 Joseph Thompson his Brother after p. Curate of Plumpton. 12 next Jos. Jefferson Curate of St. Anne's Soho London.
- 13 Jno. Bushby afterwards Clerk.
- 14 John Pool after Curate perpetual of Plumpton.
- 15 Wm. Lancaster a Layman dead.
- 16 John Jackson a Layman post Clerk of Accompton London.
- 17 Jno. Lowthian after Student at J. College Cam.

* 1783. † 1782.

- 18 John Furnes Schoolmaster after at Greenhow Academy.
 19 John Stubbs Curate of the Parish. 1794.
 20 Joseph Percival. 1795 defunct.
 21 Joseph Richardson now C. Ox. 1795 1796.
 22 Thomas Faulder a Layman. 1797 1798.
 23d William Richardson a Layman. 1799 1800.
 24th John Bushby Clerk. 1801.
 25th Amos Richardson. 1802-1803.
 26th John Bushby Clerk. 1804-1805.

APPENDIX VII.

CHURCHWARDENS.

- 1743 } Henry Denton and John Simson.
 1744 }
 1745 Joseph Relph John Studholme.
 1746 John Ashbridge John Simson, Ling.
 1747 Joseph Ritson John Clarke, Dalston.
 1748 Isaac Denton John Falder.
 1749 John Relph Geo. Stubbs.
 1750 Tho. Simson Isaac Robson
 1751 Jere. Stockdal Samll. Hudson.
 1752 John Simson Robert Jefferson.
 1753 Jacob Relph Robert Clarke.
 1754 John Sanderson Joseph Faulder.
 1755 Henry Clemetson Joseph Barn.
 1756 John Stalker Warnel Fell Robert Bushby.
 1757 Thomas Hodgson Abram Relph.
 1758 Thomas Hodgson Joseph Livak junior.
 1759 Anthony Robinson junr. Robert Monkhouse.
 1760 William Sewel and Robert Clarke junior of Welton.
 1761 Gerard Stalker and John Stalker of Welton.
 1762 John Relph and Robert Clarke Weaver.
 1763 Jonathan Nicolson and Thomas Pool.
 1764 John Milburn and Joseph Falder.
 1765 Jacob Relph and Robert Jefferson.
 1766 Jacob Relph and Joseph Simson of Loning Head.
 1767 Simon Relph and Robert Clarke junior, 3 years.
 1771 John Clarke of Borranshill and Henry Denton jun.
 1772 John Stubbs of Borranshill and Wm. Bacon of Warnel.
 Churchwardens till 1776 the church was repaired then.
 1776 and 1777 William Clarkson and Anthony Dawson.
 1778 John Stalker of Warnel Fell and Robert Bell of Bell Bridge.
 1779 Gerard Stalker and Edward Livock.

- 1780 Robert Clark Bleacher and Robert Jefferson junr.
 1781 Robert Bushby and Isaac Lowthian.
 1782 Jonathan Nicholson and Thomas Jefferson.
 1783 Jonathan Nicholson and Thomas Jefferson.*
 1784 No Churchwardens this year.†
 1785 John Penrith and John Reed.
 1786 John Wallas of Sebergham Town Head and Thomas Rayson of Welton.
 1787 Joseph Barnes of Welton and William Hoodless junior of Hartrigg.
 1788 Thomas Burtholme and William Stalker junr. Welton.
 1789 Joseph Dobson Monkhouse Hill and Joseph Howe Low Mill.
 1790 John Clarkson Brothey Beck and John Studholme Bell Bridge.
 1791 John Clarkson of Do. John Studholme of Do.
 In the summer of 1792 the church yard Wall was repaired by these two (see Appendix x).
 1792 Robson Clarke of Loning Foot and John Steele of Ling.
 1793 George Elliot of Church Town and Philip Wood of Grassgarth Farmer of the Glebe belonging the church.
 1794 Joseph Stalker of Sebergham Hall and Robert Jefferson of Bulman Hill.
 1795 Joseph Stalker of Sebergham Hall and Robert Jefferson of Bulman Hill.
 1796 and 1797 Isaac Lowthian of Church Town and Thomas Wilkinson of Loning Head Farmer under Mrs. Simpson.
 1798 James Ellwood of Sebergham Village and Joseph Faulder of Borranshill.
 1799 James Ellwood of Sebergham Village and Joseph Faulder of Borranshill.
 1800 Robert Sewell Kilngate and John Clarke of Borranshill, good men.
 1801 William Hoodless and Robert Richardson, good men.
 1802 Do.
 1803 Thomas Jefferson of Cauda Beck and John Graham of New House.
 1804 Tom Jefferson of Cauda Beck and John Graham of New House notoriously memorable (scratched through).
 1805 John Studholme and John Clarkson.
 1806 Do. Do.
 1807 Robert Jefferson and Willm Peele.
 1808 George Stobbert and Andrew Lenox.
 1809 John Mark and Andrew Holiday.
 1810 Robert Sewell and Robert Richardson.
 1811 John Studholme and John Clarkson.
 1813 Robert Jefferson and John Graham.
 1814 Thomas Barwise and Robert Barwise.

* It was at this time that most of the ancient features of the church were either destroyed or concealed by a thick coating of rough cast; by this time the keep or fortified tower at the west end, (probably found necessary when the country was overrun with border robbers) had been added to and formed part of the nave; in this was placed a gallery, and the roof of the whole church was raised four feet, the south windows were taken out and replaced by the present windows, and the church assumed its present aspect and dimensions. Church of St. Mary, Sebergham, by the Rev. H. Whitmore, M.A., Gatesgill Chronicle and Raughton Gazette, Vol. I., p. 211.

† A sentence is here scratched out.

APPENDIX VIII.

SEBERGHAM BAPTISMS IN YE YEAR

1698 from July to end	1725	20	1754	16
of Dec.....	1726	20	1755	14
1699	1727	25	1756	17
1700	1728	17	1757	18
1701	1729	14	1758	13
1702	1730	18	1759 to July 9	
1703	1731	11	1760	20
1704	Gap		1761	10
1705			1762	6
1706	1735 from June to end		1763	14
1707	Dec.....	11	1764	20
1708	1736 to May 6		1765	17
1709	1737 fr. May 8		1766	14
1710	1738	17	1767	17
1711	1739 to June 8		1768	13
1712 from May to end	1740	18	1769	12
of Dec.....	1741	8	1770	17
1713	1742	11	1771	15
1714	1743	7		
1715	1744	20	(Up to 1802 see Parson	
1716	1745	11	Stubbs's notes, <i>ante</i>	
1717	1746	16	pp. 60-67.	
1718	1747	14	1806	23
1719	1748	26	1807	29
1720	1749	16	1808	29
1721	1750	17	1809	23
1722	1751	12	1810	23
1723	1752	13	1811	25
1724	1753	15	1812	29

MARRIAGES.

1709	9	1722	6	1736	4
1710	6	1723	3	Gap	
1711	6	1724	2	1738	7
1712	5	1725	2	1739	3
1713	7	1726	2	1740	6
1714		1727	9	1741	3
1715	5	1728	1	1742	5
1716	4	1729	5	1743	5
1717	3	1730	4	1744	2
1718	3	1731	2	1745	4
1719	7	1732	1	1746	2
1720	4	1733	2	1747	7
1721	3	Gap		1748	7

1749

1749	4	1773	3	1793	4
1750	5	1774	3	1794	0
1751	3	1775	6	1795	4
1752	4	1776	5	1796	6
Gap		1777	6	1797	6
1758	1	1778	0	1798	9
1759	3	1779	7	1799	5
1760	1	1780	5	1800	4
1761	1	1781	12	1801	5
1762	7	1782	7	1802	4
1763	3	1783	8	1803	7
1764	2	1784	3	1804	3
1765	1	1785	11	1805	7
1766	3	1786	8	1806	1
1767	3	1787	7	1807	7
1768	1	1788	10	1808	5
1769	5	1789	5	1809	8
1770	4	1790	2	1810	9
1771	3	1791	5	1811	3
1772	2	1792	1	1812	9

BURIALS.

July to March.		1725	17	1754	5
1698	4	1726	13	1755	4
1699	7	1727	18	1756	7
1700	6	1728	13	1757	10
1701	5	1729	19	1758	13
1702	2			1759	8
1703	5	1730 fr. May 19		1760	8
1704	7	1731	13	1761	4
1705	5	Gap		1762	5
1706	6	1735	13	1763	20
1707		1736		1764	13
1708	4	1737	18	1765	7
1709	3	1738	6	1766	17
1710	2	1739	5	1767	12
1711	13	1740	16	1768	21
1712	12	1741	14	1769	12
1713	3	1742	13	1770	13
1714	6	1743	15	1771	11
1715	15	1744	15		
1716	19	1745	11	Up to 1802 see Parson	
1717	10	1746	17	Stubbs's notes, ante	
1718	7	1747	19	pp. 60-67.	
1719	6	1748	10	1806	13
1720	7	1749	22	1807	18
1721	7	1750	9	1808	17
1722	9	1751	11	1809	19
1723	9	1752	9	1810	15
1724	4	1753	12	1811	12

From

From October 1748 to March 17, 1756, there have been baptized 210.
 Married 57. Buried 162. By me Saml Relph Curate.
 1749 Since I came to Sebergham Married 27 Couple Xtened 109.
 Buried 102. (Mr. Samuel Relph was nominated June 3d 1744),

APPENDIX IX.

VISITATIONS.

1719 Visitat. June, May 24, 1720, May 17, 1721, 1726, June 1727.
 C. May 16, 1729.
 V. at Carlisle April 30, 1730, June 22, 1737.
 V. at Carlisle June 22, 1731.
 V. held by John Lord Bishop of Carlile June 22, 1731, at C.
 V. at Carlisle held by Mr. Chancellor April 24, 1732.
 The V. at Carlisle June 4th, 1736, By ye Right Revd. Father in God
 George Lord Bishop of Carlile.
 The V. at Carlisle By the Rt. Revd. Father in God George Lord Bp.
 of Carlisle June 1, 1739.
 The V. at C. By the Rev. Dr. Waugh Chancellor of Carlisle June 30,
 1740.
 The Visitation at Carlisle by the Revd. Mr. Birkett, June 12, 1741,
 Note that a Copy of the Register is to be given in to the Chancellor
 of all the Christenings Marriages and Burials at the Visitation that
 have been betwixt Lady Day and Lady Day for the year last past
 and not in an irregular manner as appears to have been done by this
 book in time past.
 May 31, 1745, The V. held at Carlisle by the Revd. Dr. Waugh
 Chancellor.
 The V. held by Mr. Law the Archdeacon 1746.
 Richard Osbaldiston Lord Bishop of C. held his Primary Visitation
 at Carlisle June 12, 1749.
 1753 V. held at Carlisle June 6. 1754 May 3d V. was held at C. by
 the Chancellor.
 The V. held at Carlisle by Mr. Wardale June 17, 1755.
 The V. held by the Bishop June 17, 1756.
 The V. at Carlisle May 27, 1757, Aprill 14, 1758.
 July 13, 1759.
 The V. was held at Carlisle June 27, 1760, By Mr. Wardale, Dep.
 Chancellor.
 The Bishop's Primary Visitation held at Carlisle July 13, 1763.
 1764 the V. heid July 20.

1795

- 1765 June 20, Dr. Burne held his Primary Visitation at Carlisle.
 1767 the V. was held at Carlisle the 29 of July, 1767, 1st June, 1768,
 1st June, 1769, 25th June, 1770, 5 June, 1771.
 1772 May 20th, V. held at Carlisle by the Revd. Richd Burn Chan-
 cellor. Dr. Law Bishop of the Diocese.
 1773 June 16, the V. held at Carlisle by the Revd. Dr. Burn Chancellor.
 The Bishop did not appear in his Diocesan this year.
 1774 June 1st, the V. at Carlisle by Dr. Law. Bishop of this Diocese
 and a Confirmation at the same time.
 1775 June 21st, the V. at Carlisle by the Revd. Dr. Burn
 June 6th, 1776.
 1777 July 15, V. at Carlisle by Dr. Edmund Law, B. of this Diocese.
 1790 V. by Mr. Paley 7th of June.
 1792 Dr. Edward Venables Vernon held his Primary Visitation and
 Confirmation at Carlisle on August 6th.
 1793 V. at Carlisle June 14th by William Paley M.A., Chancellor and
 Archdeacon
 1794 June 13th.
 1795 V. at Carlisle and Confirmation June 8th, by Dr. Paley our
 present Diocesan.
 Joseph Dacre Carlyle B.D. appointed Chancellor vice Dr. Paley
 resigned.
 1796 on July 4th, Joseph Dacre Carlyle B.D. Chancellor of Carlisle
 held his Primary Visitation.
 1797 V. at C. by Joseph Dacre Carlyle B.D. July 17th.
 1798 V. at C. July by Dr. Edward Venables Vernon Lord Bishop of
 Carlisle.
 1800 V. at C. June 19th, by the Revd. Dr. Paley Archdeacon an
 excellent charge.
 1801 June 12th, V. and Confirmation at Carlisle by Dr. Vernon the
 Bishop.
 1802 V. at Carlisle August 30th, by Dr. Grisdale Rector of Caldbeck
 in the absence and illness of Chancellor Carlyle.
 1803 V. at Carlisle Sept. 15th, by J. D. Carlyle Chancellor.

 APPENDIX X.

These lines were sent to the writer by the Rev. H. Whitmore. No
 information as to their authorship has ever reached her.

The

The priest and the miller built the church steeple
 Without the consent or wish of the people,
 A tax to collect they tried to impose
 In defiance of right or subversion of laws,
 The matter remains in a state of suspension
 And likely to prove a sad bone of contention,
 If concession be made to agree with us all
 Let the tax be applied to rebuild the church wall.

Churchyard wall now in a ruinous state, Sebergham High Bound, July 12th, 1826.
 "The Churchyard is miserably fenceless," says Bishop Nicolson in 1703.*

APPENDIX XI.

An account of the Several Register Books of the Parish of Sebergham according to the statement required by the Population Act for 1831.

One Register Book of Baptisms, Burials, and Marriages, commencing April 6th, 1694, and terminating Febry 11th, 1751.

One Do. of Baptisms and Burials, commencing January 11th, 1751, and terminating Decr. 25th, 1805.

One Do. of Marriages comg May 9th 1754 and termg Decr. 5th, 1812.

One Do. of Marriages and Burials, commencing Febry 9th, 1806, and terminating Decr. 30th, 1812.

Copied from the Vols. of the Registers.

* *Miscellany Accounts of the Diocese of Carlisle*, p. 11. Another of these poems is entitled: The Blunderbuss and Book, and concerns some fire arms lent to John Bunting Esq., of Rose during the threatening of the Incendiaries in the winter of 1830, and not returned, and also a book, but to the then incumbent of Sebergham. Each poem is signed A. Greybeard.