

# INVENTORY OF CONTENTS OF HAILSHAM PARISH CHEST.

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|              | "Book of Common Prayer," 1853.   | Folio; stamped leather binding.                         |            |   |
| 1 book       | "Rates and Expenditure," 1749-55.  | } Paper cover; fair condition.                          |            |   |
|              |  |   | 1757-63.   | Paper cover; very rotten and powdery.   |
|              |  |   | 1780-88.   | Vellum cover; good.   |
|              |  |   | 1788-94.   |   |
|              |  |   | 1795-98.   |   |
|              |  |   | 1799-1801. | } All these give details of expenditure and of relief granted; and also lists of the landowners, their holdings and rating for each year. |
|              |  |   | 1802-1806. |   |
|              |  |   | 1807-11.   |   |
|              |  |   | 1811-13.   |   |
|              |  |   | 1814-15.   |   |
| 1816-19.     |  |   |            |   |
|              | 1819-23.   |   |            |   |
|              | 1823-26.   |   |            |   |
|              | 1826-32.   |   |            |   |
|              | 1833-35.   |   |            |   |
| 23 vols.     | "Vestry Books," 1803-32, complete.   | } Chiefly entries of request for relief, with comments. |            |   |
| 1 vol.       | "Vestry Book," 1834-35.  |   |            |   |
| 1 "          | " " " 1836-45.   |   |            |   |
| 1 "          | Counterfoils of Notices of Vestries, 1862-66.  |   |            |   |
| 2 vols.      | "Relief Books," 1802-1824. Totals only.  |   |            |   |
|              | " " " 1827-1833. " "   |   |            |   |
| 6 "          | "Weekly Relief and Flour Account," 1819-33. Names, residence and occasional particulars. |   |            |   |
| Bundle       | "Flour" and "Christmas Beef" Books, 1826-28. Names and amounts only.                     |   |            |   |
|              | "Flour Book," 1835.  |   |            |   |
| Bundle of 45 | "Labour Books," between 1823 and 1835. Number of days' work, place and payments.         |   |            |   |
| 6 vols.      | "Labour Books," between 1814 and 1828.   |   |            |   |

- 1 vol. "Labour Books," 1828-1835.
- 1 ,, "Workhouse Book—Bart. Osborne's Contract," 1827. No details.
- 1 ,, "Overseers' Balance Sheet," 1835-45. No details.
- 1 ,, "Accounts of Overseers," 1850-68. " "
- Bundle of Rate Books, 1842-70.
- 8 vols. Church and Highway Rates, 1824-30.
- 1 vol. Church Rate, 1848-58.
- 8 vols. Poor Rate, 1826-34.
- 2 ,, "Uncollected Rates Book," 1861 and 1866.
- 1 vol. "Collector's Receipt and Deposit Book," 1864.
- Bundle "Accounts of Surveyor of Highways," 1854-60.
- ,, "Accounts for Maintenance of Illegitimate Children," 1819-25.
- 1 vol. "Illegitimate Children and Rents of Cottages," 1828-32.
- Bundle "Bastardy—Bonds to save Parish harmless," 1747-90.
- ,, "Bastardy Orders," 1800-32.
- 35 bundles Bills, 1799-1830. Mostly in good condition.
- 4 ,, ,, 1844-60.
- 1 bundle ,, 1814. With which are four Curate's Licences, 1876-78-84-87.
- 1 ,, "Solicitors' Bills, Warrants, &c.," including Militia Maintenance Orders, 1813.
- 1 ,, Bills, various years, and a copy of a Petition of Inhabitants of Atherston (Warwick) against the Poor Laws, 1833.
- 1 ,, "Various Bills, Distresses and other Waste Papers." Mainly eighteenth century.
- 6 bundles Letters from Paupers requesting Relief, 1815-28.
- 1 bundle "Indentures and other Papers," 1607-1799. Almost entirely Indentures of Apprenticeship, dating from time of Elizabeth; very rotten and powdery.
- 1 ,, Indentures of Apprentices, 1808-1835; Register of (8) Apprentices in Hailsham, 1827-34; and a Curate's Licence, 1849.
- 1 ,, "Orders of Removal, Certificates, &c.," 1616-1799. Chiefly orders for removal of paupers to other parishes; a few Indentures.
- 1 ,, "Orders of Removal since 1799."
- 1 ,, "Orders of Removal," 1842-54.
- 2 bundles Printed forms, 1838-60. *Re* Election of Overseers, Jury and Voting Lists, Appeals against Poor Rate, &c.
- 1 bundle List of Paupers and Statement of Accounts, 1854-9; List of Voters, 1854, &c.
- 1 ,, Return of Church Rates, 1864-66; Assurance Policy of Church, 1865; Warrant for burial of a suicide, 1865, &c.

1 bundle Bill of Sale of Parish Property, 1845, with names of purchasers and prices; Railway, land occupied and rating; List of Voters, 1857; Printed Statement of Accounts of Hailsham Union, 1860, &c.

4 Marriage Licences, 1814-15-18-30.

2 Bonds—receipted—of £100 each, borrowed from Public Works Loan Commissioners for Emigration Purposes, 1844.

Letters *re* Conversion of Old South Sea Annuities, 1854.

Order for Suspension of Burials in Hailsham Churchyard, 1873.

1 bundle of 5 "Altered Tithe Apportionments," 1844-89.

1 " " " " February, 1901.

A Certificate of Redemption of Rent Charge, 1893.

A Copy of the Poor Law Bill of 1834.

[This paper is printed to show the nature of the contents of an ordinary church chest, and it is suggested that Members should compile similar complete inventories of other parish chests and send the same to the Editor.]