

XV.—*A Muster of the Fencible Inhabitants of Newcastle-upon-Tyne in the year 1539, derived from the Original preserved in the Rolls Chapel ; preceded by some Observations on the System of Watch and Ward.*

THE system of defence adopted in all antient fortified towns may be readily gathered from a brief mention of the municipal organization of the people in Newcastle during the feudal period. It is certainly difficult to shut our eyes to every thing present, so as entirely to overlook the existing age, and exclude it wholly from that view of the past which we are desirous to contemplate ; yet this is necessary to be done in a fair view of antiquity. Though, perhaps, human nature is not actually changed, the habits and pursuits of men in these days, and in those of which it is our object to take a retrospective glance, are so totally different as almost to induce us to fancy that we belong to a distinct race of beings. In the days of old there was none of that system of mercantile exchange which has given birth to speculations in every corner of the universe, as we now see, to draw the attention of men from the study and business of war. Except such a cultivation of the soil and care of cattle as might seem to afford subsistence, the whole of the people may be said to have been occupied in warfare and praying. Attack and defence were the great objects of emulation ; and, who could gain the most expert proficiency in these, was the question on which promotion in life depended. The population within the walls were all drilled to the protection of every division of the fortifi-

cation by being classed in wards, according the number of the gates and towers, on which each of their respective captains was to take his station in time of siege and issue his commands as emergencies might require. Thus, by dividing the interior of the town into twenty-four wards, each ward having its own express duty to perform on all occasions of being called upon, confusion in the hour of danger was prevented, and the means of keeping up perfect discipline and the most efficient system of defence was constantly in practice.

Upon the burgesses of Newcastle fell the usual warlike duties of their order, responsibility and defence of the district which possessed the privileges of a Borough.* We find from their oath, that each burgess of Newcastle stands charged with a musket for its defence. 'And because,' as it is expressed in the charter of Elizabeth, 'Newcastle hath in times past been the bulwark of the neighbouring parts, bravely resisting and opposing our rebels,' therefore hath the royal munificence been employed from periods very remote, to reward the loyal men of this town with charters, grants, etc. Something very similar to the oath of defence of the Newcastle burgesses may be found in the customs of the city of Chester;—the three Norwich soldiers who visited the northern parts of England in 1634, relate an interview they had with the mayor of that place—'from the Penthouse [*i. e.* the Town-hall], say they, 'he would not let us part, till we saw this ancient order and manner in making of their freemen there, and thus in briefe it was. Two that were to be enfranchised that day, came in, both of them with helmets on their heads, and each an halbert in his hand, and so armed tooke an oath, before the mayor and justices then present, always to have these two defensive weapons in an readenesse for the defence both of the king and the city. So they countermarkt away,

* By the Conqueror's laws, it was provided that all cities and boroughs and castles and hundreds and wapentakes should be watched every night, and should be kept in turn against evil doers and enemies, as the sheriffs, aldermen, reeves, bailiffs, and the king's ministers, should the better provide by their common council, for the benefit of the kingdom. In these laws "Scot and Lot" are emphatically called the customs of England. Every free man, by those customs, should contribute to the public charges by paying his scot; and take his share in the public personal burdens or lot, by serving in the wars, keeping watch and ward, and filling public offices.—See *Merewether and Stephens' History of Boroughs—especially v. i.*

disarmed themselves, marcht up againe, and were then sworne free members of the city.^b The incumbency of *personally* defending the town is insisted on on all hands. The ordinary of the Masons' company of Newcastle, in 1581, requires that 'none shall dwelle and enhabett any where owte of the towne, but shall dwell within the same towne, and shall be as a burgesse, and watche and warde, and beare scott and lott there as other burgesses their ought for to doo, and every brother neglecting his dutie for to doo and doeing contrarie to the tenor hereof, to be utterlie disfranchised and to be removed from the said Corporation for ever.'^c The duty is also urged in the Joiners' ordinary of 1589. Mention there is made, that 'whensoever it shall be thought necessarie and convenient' by the mayor and his brethren, 'to command to be set forth and plaied or exercised any generall playe or marshall exercise within the said town'—that then they shall 'waite upon the said playes or other martiall exercises, according as other fellowships shall be charged to doe.'^d In 1574, we find the Corporation granting to 'John Chaitor, merchante,' the sum of 10*l.* 'for to have traynde younge men in the towne in the art of souldrie, for his paines taken.' In April 1592 the charges of a housewright occur 'for six daies work in the Townes Storehouse one the Bridge, making railles to hing armour of.' In Oct. 1594, we find 11*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* expended for the making of 248 pikes 'boughte for the towne's use, longer and shorter'—and in March 1595, further costs 'for fitting 86 Scottes staves, with iron heades and nales to them.' In April 1599, a quarterly charge is mentioned 'for skoweringe and keepinge the towne's armour.'^e 'Northern staves with yrone heddes' are mentioned by Grose.^f 'Halberts, bills, morris-pikes, and probably all other such like weapons were termed *staves*.'^g No doubt many of the staves which decorate the great hall of the Keep, have oft gleamed in the hands of the stout burgesses of Newcastle, and whacked soundly the heads of besieging Scots. The accession of James to the crown of England, amid many other changes, affected the practice of martial exercise among our youth, and an old author of the year 1634, writing to the then bishop of Durham, says, 'Wee had formerlie many trayning dayes, but now the prac-

^b Lansd. MSS. 203, art. 26. ^c Masons' Ord'y. 1 Sep. 1581. ^d Joiners' Ord'y. 28 Mar. 1589.

^e Corporation books.

^f Treatise on Ancient Armour, 56, *n.*

^g *Ib.* 79.

tice is much decayed.’^h Whether his lament extended to Newcastle we know not, but it is certain that at the siege of 1644, the brunt of the storm was borne by the trained-bands of the town, composed of the members of the various companies, all freemen and burgesses, fifteen hundred against thirty thousand Scots.ⁱ

According to Brand, the earliest mention of the appointment of a muster-master was 26 Sep., 1638, when William Bowes, of Gateshead, gen., was appointed ‘muster-master for the training up of youth and the trained bands within the towne.’ It appears that before this time, on the death of Captain Thomas Jackson, the place of muster-master had been obtained by Mr. Ralph Errington from his Majesty’s Lord Lieutenant of the North, who had resigned it in favour of William Bowes.^j It is pretty clear, however, that the office must have been of very antient date in the town, and must have existed centuries earlier. Indeed we have evidence of the existence of an officer of this kind in the payment of John Chaitor in 1574 ‘for to have traynde younge men in the towne in the art of souldrie.’

^h Observations to Bp. Dur., by A. L., 1634.—The great county musters would no doubt primarily be in the writer’s mind ; in fact, he proceeds to detail the practice of the parishes in Lancashire.’ The following entries are unpublished, and may not be deemed irrelevant :—

1613, March.—Talk of Spaniards invasion : buildinge of Beacons in these parts and musteringe and shewinge armors.—Nov. 3. There was a show of great [*i. e.* high or war] horse on Spennimore [near Brancepath, co. Durham]. I tooke up no horses.—1614, Oct. 3. Musters appointed and much talk and rumor of warres in Germanie, by the pope, bushopps, electors, and k. of Spaine.—1615, Oct. 19. A view of high horse and armor was taken on Spennimore by Mr. Talbott Bowes and Mr. Jo. Calverley, deputie lieutenants. There was a spaire and bare assemble.—*Diary of Thomas Chaytor esq., of Butterby, near Durham, communicated by W. Hylton Longstaffe, esq.* The spare and bare assembly consisted of 8,320 men, of which the city of Durham and suburbs furnished 560.

There was another alarm of the Spanish Armada in 1639. Some of the English catholic exiles were colonels in it, and “one Nevil, who termed himself Earl of Westmerland, had a great command.” It was totally defeated by the Dutch.—*See Rushworth.*

Numerous entries occur in township books of the 17th century of the cesses laid on to equip and keep the trainband, and finding a Muster-master. In the township of Blackwell the word militia first occurs in 1687, and as if the ‘noodles’ then shared the same ridicule as their successors, the ominous orthography of *Mallitia* is found in 1691. Red coats for the trainbands cost 6s. 6d. each in 1688.—*Longstaffe’s Darlington*, 152.

ⁱ Milbank MS.

^j Brand, ii. 363.

Nor can we consider that the charge on the part of the Corporation in July 1566 'for maiking up the buttes in the Fyrthe'^k is indicative of any thing else than that public provision was made for the acquirement of martial exercises by the youth of the town.¹ The next muster-master occurs 19 Sep., 1642, his name was Thomas Williamson. Henry Milbourne who, upon the death of Williamson, had been appointed by his Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of the North, was re-appointed at his own request by the Corporation of Newcastle, at the usual salary—'resigning up his commission from the said lord-lieutenant, and accepting the place from the mayor and burgesses.' On 12 July, 1708, Richard Stanley was appointed with a salary of ten pounds per annum, but on 12 Dec., 1711, it was ordered that he have in future 'the yerely salary of 10*l.*, a gratuty of 5*l.*, and 5*l.* for looking to the arms, as also a gratuity of 10*l.* 3*s.* for attending several times on my lord Scarborough on account of the militia.' On 18 Dec., 1729, on the petition of Mr. Thomas Potts setting forth 'that he had been appointed by commission from the earl of Scarbro' lord lieutenant, to be muster-master of the town and county of Newcastle—ordered that ten pounds per annum, and no more be given him.^m

The Muster presents a curious and interesting picture of antient days so very far removed from the smooth and peaceful state of society in our times. We can readily picture to ourselves the stout old Aldermen of Henry's time issuing from their low-browed and gloomy, but sumptuous mansions in the Sandhill, Close, Side, and other then fashionable localities, attended by their two, five, or eight (as the case might be) comely, strapping apprentices, all fully armed with helmet, coat of plate, bow, and bill, able and willing to wreak vengeance on their old enemy the Scot, and not undesirous of cutting a gallant figure before their lady friends as they marched through the picturesque old streets and portals, or curvetted in the Forth and Shield-field.

Ever accustomed to the use and wearing of weapons of all descriptions, it is not surprising that the records of the Sanctuary at Durham should con-

^k Corporation books.

¹ This would be under the act of Hen. VIII. for the promotion of Archery. ^m Brand. ii, 362-3.

tain numerous instances in which Newcastle men appear to have revenged a quarrel, or brought a street brawl to a mortal conclusion, by the aid of such cumbersome arms as bills and Scots axes. The fiery Northerns, however, more generally made their trade-halls the arena of their strifes, and there resorted to weapons less deadly than those of steel. Their ebullitions of angry feeling having ceased, it became the pleasing duty of the stewards to mulct the belligerents equally, rather than bear witness to a deadly fray. In these days it was no inconsiderable portion of the business of their meetings to assess the fines of their more contentious brethren.

The musters appear to have been held in the Shieldfield to a comparatively late period, a place, like the Forth, of common recreation—we learn from the Burghley papers (i. 41), that in 1554, ‘a moster is apoyntyde to be at Newcastle, at a place callide the Shell-felde.’ Here, too, may have been held the Muster under consideration.

The Muster of Newcastle upon Tyne.

THE CERTYFFYCAT OFF THE MUSTER OFF THE KYNGS TOWNE OFF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE TAKYNE THE XXVII DAY OFF MARCHE THE XXX YERE OFF THE REYGN OFF OWRE SOUERAYNE LORD KYNGE HENRYE THE VIII BEFFORE ANDERAY BEWYKE MAYOR GEORGE SELBE SCHERYFF THOMAS HORSELEY IAMYS LAWSONE GYLBERT MEDDELLTONE HAROY ANDERSONE ROBERT BRANDELYNG THOMAS BAXTER ALDERMEN OFF THE SAYME TOWNE EUERY MAN SEUERALLY OFF THER WARDYS AS YTT HERE APPERYTH.

Fyrste THOMAS HORSELEY *alderman and his iiij wardys wharoff be constables off hys fyrste warde* Wyllm Dickeson Thomas Langtone. THE FYRST WARDE.

In thys warde men with seruants fensable arrayde the nombre lxxx.

Mr Horseley hym selff and iij seruantes wyth iakes salletts and halbarts

Wyllm Dickeson and hys ij seruantes iii iakkys ij salletts a bowe and a byll

Thomas Langton and hys seruant ij halbarts a iake and a sallyd

Rauff Walles a iak a sallett and a halbart and one man furnyschyd

Hector Tomson a iake a sallett and one man welle furnyschyd

Richard Reische and his seruante well furnyschyd with ij iakys ij halbarts and two salletts

Thomas Sanderson one iake one sallett and a byll Ihone Matheson a talle mane and able to do the kynges seruyce but lakys his fensable man and for pouertie nott able to by ytt

Edward Clarke a iake and a sallyd and a bowe and his seruant a halbart

Ihone Salysbery a byll a iake and a sallett

Robert Kendall harnes and a byll

Wyllm Charlton a iake sallett and halbart

Roger Yownger for hym selff harnes and for hys ij seruants ij halbarts

Wyllm Nansone a iake a sallet and a halbart
 Robert Rande a iake a sallet and a halbart and for
 hys ij seruants ij halbarts
 Robart Wattson a iake a sallet and for hys ij ser-
 uants iij halbarts
 Thomas Wayd iake sallet and halbart
 Ihone Grey and hys seruante a iak a bylle
 Mr Lewyne for hym sellff and hys iij seruants iij
 iakkys iij bowys and iij salletts
 Ihone Stynson a iake a sallet and a halbart and for
 hy: seruante a bowe
 Andrew Henryson a iake a bylle and a sallet
 Barteram Gryffyn a iake a sallet and a halbart
 Ihone Dalston for hym sellffe and hys ij sonnez ij
 iakkez ij salletts, and ij halbarts
 Wyllm Clyffe iake sallet and a halbart
 Edward Dauyson iake sallet and a halbart
 Andero Potts iake sallet and a halbart
 Wyllm Glanton a iake sallet and halbart
 Jhone Rande iake sallet and halbart
 Jarett Newbegyn iak sallet and halbart
 Arche Clyffe iake sallet and halbart
 Florence the Paynter iake sallet and halbart
 Robert Horseley iake sallet and halbart
 Richard Swane iake sallet and a bowe
 Roger Dachyn iak sallyd and halbart
 Wyllm Wyld iak sallyd and a bowe and a sallet
 for his seruante
 Richard Wryghte iake sallet and halbart
 Thomas Bowmaker iake sallet and halbart
 Ihone Cowarde and his seruante ij iakys ij salletts
 a bowe a halbart
 Ihone Kyrus a iake sallet and halbart
 Richard Braydforth and his seruante ij iakys ii sal-
 letts a bowe and a halbart
 Ihone Browne a iake sallet and a halbart
 Thomas Belle iake sallet and halbart
 Wyllm Carr and hys seruante ij iakys ij salletts and
 ij bowys
 Wyllm Dermond a iak, sallet and a halbart
 Wyllm Flecher iak sallet and halbart
 George Robyson iake sallet and a bowe
 Arther Swader iak sallet and a bowe
 Crystoffer Dennyng iake sallet and halbart
 Ihone Potts iake sallet and halbart
 Robart Person a iake and a sallet and a halbart
 Robart Lawys and hys seruante ij iakkys ij halbarts
 and a sallet

Rauffe Lowson a iak and a sallet and a halbart
 Gylbart Almerly iake sallet and halbart

AS YET OFF THE FYRSTE WARDE.

*These men that be able to do the kynges goode seruyce
 in hys warrys but they lake harnes and be not able
 to by ytt.*

Ihonn Matheson nihilli
 Rolande Hawarde a steyll bonett
 George Parke nihilli
 Thomas Wylliamson nihilli
 Ihone Atcheson a bylle
 Ihon Lyntley a bylle
 Wyllm Person a bowe
 Iamys Bowre a halbart
 Antony Lyghton a halbart
 Thomas Tayt and hys son ij halbarts
 Wyllm Rogerson a halbart
 Pettey Yette one halbart
 Eduarde Stynson a halbart
 Edward Wattson a halbart
 Robart Brygges a halbart
 Thomas Fresselle a halbart
 Arche Clyffe nihilli
 Iohn Harbred nihilli
 Iohn Gaysyd a halbart
 Thomas Layne a halbart
 Crystoffer Symson a halbart
 Henry Browne nihilli
 Ihon Hoggeson nihilli
 Thomas Downe nihilli
 Rycherd Downe a bowe
 Nicholas Matheson a halbart
 Richard Rede a bowe
 Eduard Colston a halbart
 Iohn Lourance a halbart
 Arthur Swadwelle a bowe
 Crystoffer Dennyng a bowe
 George Robyson a bylle
 Iamys Tomson a bowe
 Iohne Lyng a halbart

*Men lakyng fenssable array en thys warde the number
 offe xxxiiij.*

THE SECOND WARDE off the sayme alderman constablez theroff Wyllm Wylkynson and Rauffe
 Hunter.

In the seconde warde men and seruants lxxij.

Wyllm Wylkynson and hys ij seruants iij iakeys iij
 salletts a bowe and ij halbarts
 Rauffe Hunter and hys ij seruants iij iakys iij sal-
 letts a bowe and ij halbarts
 Roger Ryesche a iake a sallet and a halbart
 Roger Heyslope a iake sallet and a halbart
 Allen Nuowe [!] a iake sallet and a halbart

Eduarde Champeley a iake sallet and halbart
 Sander Dodys and hys seruante ij iakys ij salletts a
 bowe and a bylle
 Thomas Wattson a iak a sallet and a halbart
 Robart Wattson a iak a sallet and a bowe
 George Schotton a iake a sallet and a bylle
 Iohn Clarseley and hys seruante ij iaks ij salletts and
 ij byllys
 Iohn Wylkynson a iak a sallet and a bylle

Allen Halle a iake a sallett and a halbart
 Dauy Wynchede and hys seruaut ij iakys ij salletts
 and ij bowys
 Wyllim Foster a iak sallett and halbart
 Iohn Store a iake sallett and halbart
 Robart Hunter a iak sallet and a bowe
 Thomas Ponnson a iak sallett and a bowe
 Nicholas Bowtefflowre a iake a sallett and a bowe
 Wyllim Browne a iake sallett and a halbart
 Ihon Russelle a iak sallett and a halbart
 Dauy Yorke and hys seruaut ij iakys ij salletts a
 bow and a halbart
 Wyllim Halle and hys seruaut ij iakys a bowe and
 a bylle
 Wyllim Dent hys son and hys seruaut iij iakeys iij
 salletts a bowe and ij halbardys
 Cristoffer Couke a iak a sallett and a bowe
 Wyllim Marchalle a iak a sallett and a halbart and
 for hys seruaut nihilli
 Ihone Almere iak sallett and halbart
 Iohne Eryngton iak sallett and halbart
 Iohne Porter iak sallett bowe
 Stewyn Sotheren iak sallett and bowe
 Allen Tayller and hys ij seruants ij iakys ij salletts
 a bowe and a halbart
 Antony Blythman and hys seruants ij iaks ij salletts
 a bowe and a halbart
 Eduarde Pythe iak sallett and halbart
 George Symson a iak a sallett and a halbart
 Wyllm Tomson iak sallett and a halbart

Ihone Raigett iak sallett and halbart
 Robart Stanton iak sallett and halbart
 Wyllim Michellson iak sallett and halbart
 Ihon Poode iak sallett and a bylle
 Antony Elmore iak sallett and bowe
 Ihon Patenson iak sallett and halbart
 Thomas Dauyson iak sallet and halbard
 Wyllim Cowke and hys sonnez ij iakys ij salletts a
 bowe and a halbart
 Rauff Wednode iak sallett and bowe

YETT OFF THE SECOND WARDE.

*The names of them in thys warde that lak harnes and
 be not able to by ytt.*

Henry Herry a halbart
 Thomas Topclyffe a bylle and stelbonett
 Roger Weldon a halbart
 Wyllm Scherborne a halbart
 Allen Stobs a halbart
 Sander Hayr a bylle
 Henry Poynschon a halbart
 Edmond Poynschon a halbart
 Ihone Whyt a halbart
 Iohne Tomson a halbart
 Wyllm Ramys a bylle
 Ihon Forbrest a bylle

*THE 3rd AND 4th WARDS of the sayme alderman wheroff be constablez Thomas Couke Robt
 Nicholson Iamys Elyson Tho Paypde.*

The number of them xlvij.

Iamys Eleyson for hym sellffe and iij seruants iij
 iakys iij salletts a bowe and ij halberdys
 Robt Nicolson and hys sone ij iakys ij salletts and ij
 halberts
 Thomas Paypede hym sellffe hym seruaut ij iaks ij
 sallets ij halbardys
 Iamys Wattson and hys seruaut ij iakez ij salletts a
 bow and a halbart
 Edmond Clynton a iak a halbart and a sallett
 Rychard Tomson a iak a halbart and a sallett
 Robt Chandeler iak sallett and bowe
 Richard Tayller and hys seruante ij iakez ij salls and
 ij bouez
 Thomas Parker iak sallets and halbert
 Wyllm Rutter and hys seruante iak and harnes for
 ij seruantz mo
 Richard Mourton iak sallett and halbart
 Wyllm Iackson iak sallett and halbart
 Thomas Ley for hym sellffe iak sellett and halbert
 for hys seruaut nihilli
 Thomas Barker iake sallett and halbert
 Gylbart Tomson iak sallett and halbert
 Robert Dossenbe iak sallett and halbart
 Antony Marwod iak sallett and halbart
 Wyllm Pattenson and hys seruante ij iaks ij sal-
 letts ij halbardys

Ihone Hotton for hym and hys seruante ij iaks ij
 ij salletts and ij halbardys
 Ihon Eleson a iak a sallett and a halbart
 Henry Care iak sallett and bowe for hym sellffe for
 hys seruaut nihille
 Ihon Clowghe iak sallett and halbart and for hys
 seruaut a halbart
 Symond Iackson iak sallett and halbart for hys
 seruaut nihille
 Wyllm Browne iak sallett and halbart
 Thomas Eleson iak sallett and halbart
 Ihon Fenkyll iak sallett and bowe
 Roland Aske iak sallett and spere
 Peter Dornton iak sallett and bowe
 Bartram Blaxton iak sallett and bowe
 Wyllm Atcheson iak sallett and halbart
 Thomas Schot iak sallett and halbart
 Thomas Scotbys iak sallett and halbart

*The namys offe the thryd and iiij wards lakyng har-
 nez and nott able to by ytt.*

Sander More a bowe
 Ihone Clyfton a halbart
 Wyllm Wayllez a halbart
 Robart Wodman a halbart

Nicolez Tomson a halbart
 Eduarde Wardhawghte a halbart
 Rauffe Hoghon a halbart
 Ihon Tobyk a halbart hys son a halbart
 Wyllm Reydheyde a halbart

Wyllm Pattenson a halbart
 Ihon Newton a halbart
 Hen. Lyghton a halbart
 Thomas Benton a halbart
 Christophor Spore a halbart

The holle numbr cclj off the iiij wardes.

GYLBERT MYDDYLTON *alderman and hys iiij wardys wheroffe be constablez off* THE FYRSTE
 WARD *Rich Snawdon and Th Iobson.*

xxiiij

Gylbert Myddylton for hym sellfe and v seruantz
 with iaks and salletts bowys and halbarts
 Richard Snawdon for hym sellffe and hys seruantz ij
 iakys ij salletts and ij halbarts
 Thomas Iobson for hym sellffe and hys seruantz ij
 iakys ij salletts a halbart and a bowe
 Rauffe Whytffylde for hym sellffe iak salletts and
 halbarts
 Eduarde Halle iak sallet and halbart
 Wyllm Borne iak salletts and halbarts
 Thomas Belle iak sallet and halbart
 Allen Mylborne iak sallet and halbart
 Ihon Nicolson iak sallet and halbart
 Ihon Symson iak sallet and halbart
 Wyllm Tayler iak sallet and halbart
 Wyllm Wyllison iak sallet and halbart
 Robart Henrison iak sallet and halbart

Wyllm Richardson iak sallet and halbart
 Thomas Mawnham iak sallet and halbart
 Rauffe Grey iak sallet and spere
 Ihon Pott iak sallet and halbart

AS YETT OFF THE FYRST WARD.

*The namys of them within thys ward hawyng no
 harnes nor yett able to by ytt.*

Oswold Anderson a bylle
 Wyllm Anderson a halbart
 Robt. Laueroke a halbart
 Thomas Wyllyson a halbart
 Ihon Soppett
 Robt. Couernam a halbart
 Rob Tomson a halbart
 Wyllm Henryson a halbart

THE SECONDE WARDE *off the sayme alderman and constablez theroff Ihone Dynsdelle and
 Herry Wattson.*

The numbre in thys warde xxxj.

Jhon Dynnsdelle for hym sellfe iak sallut and hal-
 bart and for hys seruantz salletts and halbarts
 Henry Wattson for hym sellffe iak salletts and hal-
 barts and for hys seruantz salletts and halbarts
 Ihone Rawe iak sallets and bowe
 Thomas Cromer for hym sellfe iak sallets and hal-
 barts and for hys seruantz a hand gowne
 Robt Lyttyll for hym sellffe and hys seruantz ij iaks
 ij salletts and ij halbarts
 Robert Fawdon for hym sellff a iak sallet and hal-
 bart and for hys ij sonnez harnes and ij halbarts
 Wyllm Bee capper iak sallette and halbart
 Ihon Cowk iak sallet and halbart

Mr Sanderson for hym sellff and hys ij seruants iiij
 iaks iiij salletts ij halbarts and ij bowys
 Richard Blakytt a iak a sallet and halbart
 Alysander Grene iak sallet and halbart
 Robt Scheyyll iak sallet halbart
 Wyllm Dawton iak sallet halbart
 Bertram Nyllson iak sallet and bowe
 Willm Manbelle [Manvelle?] a iak sallet and halbart
 Rauffe Tompson iak sallet and halbart
 Jeffery Hall iak halbart and sallet
 Wyllm Whytffylde a iak bow and sallet
 Thomas Gray iak sallet and halbart
 Robt Gustered iak sallet and halbart
 Eduard Wylkyns iak sallet byll
 Robt Cockerell a powre man

THE THRYD WARDE *offe the sayme alderman constablez theroffe Nicolas Baxter Ihon Tode.*

The numbr in thys warde xlij.

Nicolas Baxter for hym sellffe and hys seruantz ij iaks
 ij salletts a bowe and a bylle

Ihon Todd for hym sellffe and hys seruantz ij iaks ij
 salletts ij halbarts
 Thomas Mathew iak sallet bowe
 Ihon Browne iak sallet halbart

Ihon Kelle for hym sellffe and hys seruaut ij iaks ij salletts a bowe and a halbart
 Richard Freer iak sallett bowe
 Thomas Chater iak sallett halbart
 Robt Kelle iak sallett and a halbart for hys seruaut he sayth nothyng
 Eduarde Lyghton iak sallett halbart
 Ihon Hyllton for hym sellffe and ij seruants iij iaks iij salletts a bowe and ij halbarts
 Ihon Cowk iak sallett halbart
 Thomas Nychyson iak sallett halbart hys seruaut nihille
 Laurance Fobery for hym sellffe and ij seruants iij iaks iij salletts and a bowe and ij halbarts
 John Bowdon iak sallett halbart
 Crystoffe Ogyll hym sellffe and ij seruants iij iaks iij salletts a bowe and ij halbarts
 Ihon Heddeley iak sallett bowe
 Wyllm Kyrons [Kyrus?] iak sallett halbart
 Mr. Browghte harnes ij sallets and ij halbarts for [hym] and his seruaut

Rauff Boyth for hym and hys seruaut ij iaks ij sallets ij halbarts
 Bartram Orde and hys seruaut ij iaks ij salletts a bowe and a halbart
 Thomas Champley iak sallett bowe and for iij seruants iij halbarts
 Bartram Anderson for hym sellff and hys seruaut ij iaks ij salletts a bowe and a halbart
 Thomas Story a iak a bowe and a halbart
 Ihon Dowden iak halbart and sallett

YETT THE SAME WARDE.

The namys of them in thys warde wych be not able to by them harnes.

Ihon Atkynson	Ihon Gybson
Wyllm Hoode	Cuthbert Hanson
Robert Battys	Eduarde Sclater

THE iiiijth WARDE *off the sayme alderman constables of the sayme warde Ihon Lym and Richard Sanders.*

xlvi.

Ihon Lym and hys seruaut ij iaks ij salletts ij halbarts
 Richard Saunders and hys seruaut ii iaks ij salletts ij halbarts
 Thomas Layce and hys seruaut ij iaks ij sallets a bowe and a halbart
 Wyllm Whary iak sallet halbart
 Robt Weddelle iak sallett halbart
 Ihon Layce iak sallett bowe
 Ihon Woodborne iak sallett halbart
 Ihon Watson iak sallet halbart
 Robt Hood iak sallett halbart
 Daui Blythman iak sallett halbart
 Willm Huntley for hym sellffe iak sallett halbart and for hys man a halbart
 Thomas Goosyk with harnes sallett and bowe
 Wyllm Hedley iak sallett halbart
 Willm Ley iak sallett halbart
 Robt Elyton iak sallett halbart
 Ihon Smyth iak sallett bowe
 Richard Benett iak sallett halbart
 Thomas Yonge iak sallett halbart
 Mr Blaxton and his iij servants iij iaks iij salletts a bowe and ij halbarts

Roger Mydforth hym sellffe and hys ij seruants iij iaks iij salletts a bowe ij halbarts
 George Davelle and his ij seruants iij iaks iij salletts a bowe and ij halbarts
 Eduard Pendreth iak sallet and bowe
 Wyllm Carr for hym sellffe and ij seruants iij iaks iij salletts a bowe and ij halbarts
 Oswald Chapman and hys seruante ij iaks ij salletts ij halbarts
 Francys Anderson and hys seruaut ij salletts a bowe and a halbart
 Emont Claxton iak sallett bowe
 Robert Hoppon hym sellffe and his seruants ij iaks ij salletts a bowe and a halbart
 Rauff Walsche a iak sallett and a halbart
 Ihon Styknell

YETT OF THE SAYME WARDE.

The namys of them off the fourth warde wych lake harnes and be not able to by ytt—talle men able for the warr

Ihon Buttler	Wyllm Scshypley
Alysander Tomson	George Grafton
Ihon Robyson	

The holle number off iij wardes clxij.

ROBERT BRANDELYNG *wyth the namys offe all able personz ffor the kyngys warr wythin hys*
iiij wardys wheroffe THE FYRSTE WARDE be constablez Robt Younge and Olyuer Wylkynson.

Robt Brandelynge hym sellffe wyth viij seruants
well fornyshyd in alle poynts with bowys halbarts
and harnes for and mo yffe nede bee
Olyuer Wylkynson and hys servant ij iaks ij salletts
ij halbarts
Robt Yonge and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts ij hal-
barts
Wyllm Carr iak sallett bowe
Rauff Potts and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts ij hal-
barts
Wyllm Chekyn and hys seruant iak ij salletts a al-
mayne runet and ij halbarts

Robt Wayt and hys seruant ij iaks ij halbarts a bow
and a halbart
Bartram Walker and hys seruant a iak a sallett and
a halbart
Wyllm Robynson and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts
ij halbarts
Richard Tayler with thre seruants iij iaks iij salletts
iij halbarts
Ihon Smyth and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts and ij
halbarts

THE SECONDE WARDE *offe the sayme allderman and the constablez theroffe John Noble and*
Robt Bartiley.

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Ihon Nobylle and iij seruants iij iaks iij salletts
ij bowys and ij halbarts
Robt Bartley iak sallett halbart
Thomas Nolle iak sallett bowe hys seruant a halbart
Robt Schott iak sallett halbart
Thomas Pattenson and hys seruant iij iaks iij salletts
iij halbarts
Henry Brandelyng a iak a sallett and a halbart
Thomas Potts and hys ij seruants ij iaks ij salletts
and ij halbarts
Eduarde Robyson a iak a sallett a halbart
Thomas Meddylton iak sallett halbart
Wyllm Akynson iak sallett bowe
Cutbert Musgrej and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts
and ij halbarts
Ihon Robertson iak sallett halbart
Arthur Soger iak sallett halbart
George Browne and hys seruant iak sallett halbart
and a bowe
Iohn Graydon iak sallett halbart
Eduard Recherson iak sallett halbart
Thomas Romayne iak sallett halbart

Henry Schypman iak sallett and stell bonett
Richerd Tood and hys seruantz iij iaks iij salletts
a bowe and ij halbarts
Ihone Atkynson spurier and hys seruantz ij iaks ij
salletts a bowe and ij halbarts
Metttho Ramys iak sallett halbart

YETT OF THE SECOND WARD.

The namys off them in the seconde warde wych lak
harnes and be nott able to by ytt ix talle men and
able to do the kynges seruyce.

Ihon Robson a halbart
Thomas Paykoke
Robt. Hoghon a halbart
Iamys Rede
Lorance Atkynson a halbart
Wyllm Hoghon a halbart
Wyllm Iakson a halbart
Roger Browne a halbart
Wyllm Freselle a halbart

THE THRYD WARD *off the sayme allderman wheroff be constablez Ihon Tod and Antony Doods.*

Ihon Todd iak sallett and halbart and tor his seruant
a halbart
Antony Doods a iak sallett and a bowe
Lancelat Myddellton and hys seruant ij iaks ij sal-
letts ij bowes
Antony Wylkynson iak sallett bowe
Ihon Marchall iak sallett bowe
Thomas Dauson iak sallett bowe and for his seruant
a halbart
Rychard Eden iak sallett halbart hys son a bowe

George Browne and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts a
bowe and a halbart
Wyllm Wyssse iak sallett halbart and for hys son a bowe
Crystoffer Russill iak sallett and a bowe
Thomas Nycholson and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts
a bowe and a halbart
Cutbert Fobery and hys seruant ij iaks ij salletts a
bowe and halbart
Ihon Gray iak sallett halbart
Ihon Atkeson iak sallett halbart
Sande Burdus iak sallett halbart

YETT OF THE THYRD WARDE.

*The namys off them off the thyrd warde lakkyng harnys
talle men and able to do the kyng good seruyce xii.*

Antony Wylkynson halbart
Rauffe Dent halbart
Richard Langton halbart
Henry Clark sallett

George Stobbys bowe
Ihon Crosser nihil
Wyllm Parent
Thomas Py
Richard Robson a halbart
Arche Smyth
Domynick Tomson
Eduard Cooper halbart

THE iiiijth WARDE offe the sayme allderman whereoff be constablez *Thomas Crysoppe Eduarde Stampe.*

xxx.

Thomas Crysoppe and his seruantz ii iaks ij sallets
a bowe and halbart
Eduarde Stampe iak sallett halbart
Antony Gooscheawghe iak sallett halbart and hys
seruant a halbart
Sander Robson iak sallett bowe hys seruant a hal-
bart
Ihon Stanton and his seruant ij iaks ij sallets a
bowe and a halbart
Thomas Scharpe iak sallett bowe
Symond West iak sallett bowe
Roland Atkeson iak sallett bowe
Wyllm Reyd iak sallett halbart
Wyllm Lawes iak sallett halbart
Bartram Sadeler iak sallett bowe
Wyllm Sotheron iak sallett bowe
Rauffe Hobkyrk and hys ij seruants ij iaks ij sal-
letts a bowe and a halbart

AS YETT THE IIII WARDE.

Ihone Sclatter iak sallett bowe
Ihone Sawer iak sallett bowe
Robt Clark iak sallett halbart
Richard Morton iak sallett halbart
Nicolas Belle iak and bowe
Willm Scharpe iak and halbart
Robt Heryson iak bowe and sallett
Robt Browne iak bowe and sallett
Ihon Stobbys iak sallett and halbart

THE IIIJ WARD.

*The namys of them off the iiiijth warde that lak har-
nez and be nott able to by ytt—me nable to doo the
kyngs seruice.*

Ihon Wigham
Robert Kelle
Ihon Whetley

Iamys Dauyson
Ihon Wodde

The numbr offe thez iiiij wards cxlvij.

THOMAS BAXTER, *Alderman off thys Ward.*

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Hym sellfe wyth ij seruants wyth cotts of plate and
s
Mr Anderay Bewyk mayor with v seruants wyth
cotts of plate and bylls and bowys welle appoyntyd
George Selbe scheryffe iiiij seruants wyth bowys cotts
of plate and bylls welle appoynted
Peter Chatter wyth ij seruants wyth iaks bowys and
bylls
Ihon Orde wyth iiiij seruantez wyth iaks bowys and
bylls
Jerrard Fenwyk wyth ij seruantz wyth iaks bowys
and bylles
Mark Schaftowe one seruant wyth iaks bowe and
bylle
Curbert Blunt wyth ij seruants iaks bowez and
bylls
Petter Reddell wyth one seruant iaks bowys and
bylls
Elesander Burrelle iak bowe and sallett
Edwarde Gren iak bowe sallett
Ihon Nottman wyth hys seruant welle appoyntyd
wyth iaks bowe halbarts and salletts
Ihon Potts iak sallett and halbart
Wyllm Wylkynson iak sallett halbart

Ihon Wylkynson iak sallett halbart
Ihon Robyson wyth ij seruantz wyth iaks salletts
and halbarts
Thomas Patenson wyth on seruant wyth
Crystoffor Browne iak sallett halbart
Allen Nicollson iak sallett halbart
Jhon Byrd wever iak sallett and halbart
Wyllm Redde and Ihon Rede with one seruant a
pece, iaks salletts and halbarts
Wyllm Bewyk wyth iak sallet and bowe
Bartholomew Bee wyth ij men welle appoynted wyth
iaks salletts bowez and halbarts
Wyllm Betts wyth hys seruant welle appoyntyd wyth
harnes
Cristoffer Car wyth one seruant welle apoynted wyth
iak bowe and salletts and halbarts
Ihon Lassells a iak bowe and a sallett
George Bednalle wyth hys seruant wyth iak salletts
and bowez
Cutbert Eleson well appoynted wyth one seruant
iaks bowys and salletts
Thomas Leddell iak bowe and salletts
Barteram Beywyk a iak bowe and salletts
Richart Stott wyth on seruant wyth iaks salletts and
halbarts well appoyntyd

Guffray Car wyth ij seruantz wyth iaks salletts and halbart
 Wyllm Jonson and ij seruantz wyth iaks and salles and halbart
 Edmonde Cookson and hys son well apoynted wyth iaks :alletts and halbart
 Ihon Done a iak sallett halbart
 Ihone Heddelye ij iaks and halbart
 Harry Cawefforde ij seruantz wyth iakks and bowys
 Richard Rogerson a iak and a halbart
 George Fletcher iak sallett and halbart

Thez be the namys offe thez of thys warde wych lake defence and be nott able to by ytt—good men and able to doo the kyngs seruyce.

Robert Goodchylde	Robert Hoppe
Thomas Goodchylde	Sander Newbegyn
Sander Burne	Ihon Schaflok
Ihon Flecher brewer	Ihone Robynson
Ihon Heppelle	Ihon Manne
George Lee corrior	Gylbart Whyte
Allen Stewenson	Ihone Iakson
Richard Anderson barbar	Henry Wyllson
Wyllm Golffe	George Cambe
Wyllm Collyngwod and hys seruant	Ihon Belle
Robert Fysch	Thomas Browne
Sander Borne	Richard Fener
Ihon Borne	George Elonkght
Richard Wattson	Robt Nelle

Thez affore namyde be goode men welle appoyntyd for the warr.

IAYMS LAWSON *aldermane of thes iiij wardys herafter followyng.*

Item the same Iames wyth vj servands wyth coytes of playte and iake steyll bonnett bowys and bylls

THE WEST ZAYT.

In this warde lxx.

Imprimez Ihon Ellisone tanere a gake and a byll
 Willm Care a gake a steall bonet a bowe
 John Hynmers tanner a gake a bow a steill bonnet
 Nicolles Car his serwande a gake and a halbert
 John Ellyngtone sclater a gake and a bylle
 George Bartram a cote of playt a steill bonet a bowe
 Antony Hebborne a gake a steyll bonet a bowe
 George Champnaye fowller a gake a byll
 Matho Armstrong hys serwand a byll
 Alexander Gamsbe weware a gake a byll
 George Gamsbe his serwand a byll
 Edward Hyde his serwand a byll
 John Korbat his serwand a byll
 John Pentland weware a gak a byll a stell bonet
 Thomas Pentland his serwand a byll
 John, Homyll his serwand a byll
 Thomas Stewynsone weware a byll
 John Stewynsone his serwand a bill
 Willm Greyn wear a gake a bill
 John Hart laborer a gake a byll
 Robert Gosyke laborer a gake a steill bonet a byll
 Herre Robsonne weware a gake a byll
 Willm Barla tanner a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Willm Ellysone tanner a gak a steill bonet a byll
 Iames Partws weware a gake a steill bonet and a bill
 Edward Edgayr his serwand a byll
 Robert Bewyk taylore a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 John Nicholson his serwand a byll
 Willm Dods tanner a cote of playt a bowe a steill bonet

Robert Dods his serwand a gake a bowe a steill bonet
 Willm Wyllysone his serwande a byll
 Willm Thomsone his serwande a byll
 John Iohnson laborer a byll
 John Brown tanner a byll
 John Talyore weware a gake a steill bonet a byll
 John Atkynsone his serwand a byll
 Ichn Whytfeld his serwand a byll
 John Foster tanner a cote of playt a steill bonet a byll
 George Armstrong his serwand a byll
 George Iobsonne tanner a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Edmond Reed his serwand a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Thomas Bewke his serwand a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 John Newtone tanner a cote of plate a stell bonet a byll
 Christofer Hynmers his serwand a byll
 John Newton his serwand a byll
 John Gallale tanner a gake a bowe a steill bonet
 Edward Robsone his serwand a byll
 Richert Dent his serwand a byll
 Thomas Redle laborer a byll
 James Marchall tanner a gake a byll
 Parse Marchall his serwand a byll
 Willm Kaus a byll
 John Downe his serwand a byll
 Thomas Bell a byll
 Christofer Armstrong a gake a byll
 John Heton a byll
 Edward Jacksone a byll
 Jeffray Robson a byll

THE GOWNER TOWER *Edmond Lamptone John Fyfe constabills.*

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John Kaworthe a gake a steyll bonet a bille
 Peter Herone merchaund a cot of playt a bowe a
 stell bonet
 Vxor Qwhyt
 Iohn Conyers hir serwand a gake a steill bonet a
 bowe
 Iarret Robysone taylor a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Thomas Bell his serwand a bill
 Iarrett Pekeryng his serwand a byll
 Edward Broket bower a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Iohn Mylner cooke a gake a byll
 Richert Clyf merchaund a gake a steil bonet a bowe
 Hewe Cooke skynner a gake a byll
 Roger Pawtenson cordoner a gake a bowe a steel
 bonet
 Barnard Horsle his seruand a bill
 Herre Brandlyng merchaunde a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a bowe
 Eduard Ayden his serwande a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a byll

Edmond Lampton merchand a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a byll
 Wyllm Mylner cordoner a gake a steyl bonet a byll
 Robert Mylner his serwand a byll
 Robert Cromer merchaund a cot of playt a steill
 bonet
 Lourance Rewkbye his serwand a gake a steil bonet
 a byll
 Edmond Fyf smythe a gake a byll a steill bonet
 Robert Alle porter a byll
 Iohn Fyf loksmythe a cot of playt a steill bonet a byll
 Robert Drawer his serwand a gake a stell bonet a byll
 Iohn Hodchon his serwand a gake a byll
 Willm Blithman bowtcher a gake a steyll bonet a bowe
 Willm Hedle his serwand a byll
 Roger Blithman his serwand a byll
 Robert Browne cordoner a byll
 Willm Atkynson porter a byll
 Iohn Braidle bacar a gake a steil bonet a bowe
 Richert Heppell his serwand a byll
 Cuthbert Fressell porter a byll
 Rauff Tornare marynell a byll

THE STAYNKE TOWRE *Matho Stewynsone Willm Sclater constables.*

xxxv.

Richert Cordoner a byll
 Iohn Drawer laborer a byll
 Iohn Cooke cordoner a gake a steill bonet a byll
 Thomas Rydle his serwand a byll
 Willm Blithman bowtcher a gake a steill bonet a bill
 Parce Blithman his serwand a byll
 Vxor Byrd
 Thomas Watson hyr serwand a gake a bowe a steil
 bonet
 Robert Dawtone a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Willm Sclater sadler a gake a steill bonet
 Arche Nicolson his serwande a byll
 George Care his serwande a bill
 Robert Morpethe a gake a bowe a steill bonet
 George Pye his serwand a payr of brekadyns a stel
 bonet a byll
 Thomas Wylkynson skynner a gake a steill bonet a
 byll
 Roger Gybsone his serwand a gake a byll

Wyllm Foster cowper a byll
 Iarret Blithman his serwand a byll
 Richert Recherdson baycare a gake a steill bonet a
 bowe
 James Spens his serwande a byll
 Richert Roberson his serwande a byll
 Willm Cooke a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Christofer Mowbre a byll
 Mattho Stewynson a gake a stell bonet a byll
 Thomas Cwttar his serwand a byll
 Iohn Tomson a byll
 Willm Reyd a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Roger Talyor marynell a byll
 Iohn Chamer a gake a steill bonet a bowe
 Richert Thomsons a bowe
 Thomas Talyor merchand a gake a steill bonet a byll
 Rychert Armstrong his serwand a byll
 Iohn Iobson sadler a cot of playt a stell bonet a
 byll
 Gilbert Foster his serwand a byll
 George Kyrscope his serwand a byll

THE SPYNKE TOWRE *Alyxander Swynborne Iohn Blenkynsop constables.*

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Thomas Anderson merchaunde a gake a steill bonet
 a bill
 Thomas Tomson his serwande a gake a byll
 Richerd Reidhed his serwande a bill
 Matho Baxter merchant a cot of playt a steill bonet
 a bowe

Richert Whytleye his serwand a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a bowe
 Alexander Baxter his serwand a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a bowe
 Vxor Bewyke
 Iohn Bewyk hir serwand a gake a steil bonet
 Thomas Bewyk hir serwand a steil bonet a gake a
 bowe

Richert Anderson hir serwand a steil bonet a byll
 Alyxander Swynborne merchant a gak a bowe a byll
 Willm Borell his serwande a byll
 Phelip Trestrem a cot plat a steil bonet a bowe
 Rauf Ionsone a gak a steill bonet a bowe
 Willm Schayfeyld a byll
 Iohn Blenkynsope merchand a gak a cot playte above
 Robert Bromlaye a byll
 Edward Baxter merchand a cot of playt a steil bonet
 a bowe
 Iohn Kendall his serwande a gake a steil bonet a byll
 Antonye Tempes merchand a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a bowe
 Christofer Smythe bowtcher a gak a steil bonet a
 [bowe!]
 Christofer Robynson his serwand a byll
 Iohn Thomson his serwand a byll
 Edward Sowrtes draper a gak a steill bonet a byll
 Andro Sowrtes his son a gak a steill bonet a byll
 Robert Lylborn merchand a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a bowe
 James Chamer goldsmythe a gak a stell bonet a byll
 Charlls Gofthen merchand a cot of playt a stell bonet
 a bowe

Matho Trolope his serwand a byll
 Thomas Bewyk merchand a cot of playt a steill bonet
 a bowe
 Robert Ellison his serwand a bill
 Bartram Iakson his serwand a bill
 Willm Talyor a cot of playt a stell bonet a byll
 Richert Kyrkus cordoner a cot of playt a stell bonet
 a byll
 Willm Kyrkus his serwand a byll
 George Grownde his serwand a byll
 Iohn Smythe talyor a gak a stell bonet a byll
 Willm Throkil his serwand a byll
 Iohn Cook paynter a byll
 George Evyne his serwand a bowe
 Robert Smert his serwand a byll
 Roger Kyrsope bower a gak a stell bonet a bowe
 Thomas Glangton barber a gake a byll
 Robert Raw blaydsmythe a cot playt a stel bonet a
 bowe
 Nicolles Stokall merchand a cot of playt a steill
 bonet a byll
 Thomas Gren his serwand a gak a steill bonet a
 byll

The number offe the fowre wards clxxix.

*The namys offe the iiij wardys wheroffe HENRY ANDERSON ys alderman euery man in hys
 fensable array accordyng to hys abylyte rydy to do the Kyngs seruyce.*

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Fyrst the forsayde alderman Herry Anderson hym
 sellffe wyth iij serwants wyth halberts and other
 iij wyth bowys wyth all thynghys belongynge therto
 Christofer Farbeke an agyde man hym sellffe and
 past the warrys hayth harnes ij iakys splents
 stelle bonnetts and bylls
 Thomas Schote and hys seruaut a cott offe platte
 and a iak splents salletts and bylles
 Ihon Hedley a iak stell bonnett a bowe a schayff of
 arrays
 Wylm Iay a nalmett reuett a stell bonytt a byll
 and splents
 Antony Franche hayth harnes an yeren cotte stelle
 bonett and a bowe
 George More maryner iak stelle bonett and splents

Robt Brygham hymselffe and hys ij seruants well
 furnyshyd with bylls
 Rauff Iay a iak a stelle bonnett and a bylle
 Edwarde Halle welle furnyshyd wyth hys seruaut
 with a spere and byll
 Ihon Chater with hys seruaut welle furnysyd with a
 bow and a byll
 Robt Helez wyff wedowe hayth a good iak and ij
 salletts
 Ihon Crake wyff wedowe a iak a sallette and a bylle
 Nicolas Story a iak a stelle bonnett and a bowe
 Thomas Anderson a iak and well prouyet off the rest
 Henry Fayrbrek smyth a iak and a newe bowe
 Richard Clark a iak a stelle bonett and a bowe
 Ihon Hall a brest and a bake a bowe and arrowys
 George Hall a stelle cotte splents a stell bonett a
 bowe

THE SECONDE WARDE off the sayme alderman.

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Thomas Batys smythe a iak a stell cappe a bowe
 George Tallyer a iak a stelle cappe a bow
 Wylm Bacon sargant a iak a still cappe a bow
 Iohn Wattson a nalmett reuett a stelle cappe a bowe
 Eduarde Clarke maryner a iak stell cappe splents
 and a bowe

Richert Resche a iak a stell bonett aad a bowe
 Ihon Browne a iak a stell cappe and a bowe
 Robert Clay a iak and ij bylls
 Robert Wryghte a nalmen reuet a stelle bonet
 splents and a bowe
 Thomas Clarke he and hys seruaut welle fornysyde
 byll men
 Roger Haytton he and hys man well fornysyd byll men

Thomas Belle and hys seruant with ij almon reuetts
ij payr offe splents sallets and bowez
Robt Heton a iak and a bylle

Wyllm Symson a iak a stelle bonett and a bow
Nicolas Atcheson hayeth a good iak a stelle bonett
splents a bowe

THE ijrd WARD off the sayme alderman.

John Bullok iak sallet and halbart
George Kecheyn iak sallet halbart
Ihon Chekyn and hys seruant iaks sallets halbarts
Edwarde Iakson a iak stelle bonet and a bowe
Wyllm Elyson well furnyssyd a byll man
Roger Dekinson well furnyssyd a byll man
Wyllm Bullok well furnyssyd a bowman
Thomas Waller well furnyssyd wyth bowys and bylls
Edwarde Robynson well furnyssyd wyth bylls

AS YETT OFF THE III WARDE.

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Thomas Sanderson well fornysyd a byll man
Thomas Gybson well fornysyd a byll man

Robt Tomson well fornysyd a bowman
Thomas Ratt well fornysyd a byll man
Iamys Arnold a good maryner well fornysyd a bow
man
Ihon Iakson well fornysyd a byll man
Iohn Yonger well fornysyd a bow man
Wyllm Hobson well fornysyd a byll man
Thomas Baxter maryner well fornysyd a byll man
Allen Poyd well fornysyd a byll man
Ihon Deryk well fornysyd a bow man
Thomas Pottys an old man hayth a iak and a sallet
Rayff Snawys wyff hayth a iak splents stelle bonet
and a bylle
Paul Gull a iake a stell bonet and a bylle
Curbart Clark a iak a stell bonet and a bylle
Ihon Rede iak stelle bonet and a bylle

THE iiiijth WARDE off the sayme alderman.

Henry Keydland a iak stell bonett splents and a
byll
Ihon Stell a iak stell bonett splents and a byll
Thomas Stobbys a iak stell bonett splents and a byll
Wyllm Schort a iak stell bonett and a byll
Robt Dawsonnez wyff wewer ij seruants well for-
nysyd ☉

Iamys Adriane a iak sallett and halbart
Ihon Clark well fornysyd byll man
Allen Clark well fornysyd byll man
Wyllm [Clark?] hym selff and ij seruantz well
furnysyd bow and byll
Ihon Clark a iak a stelle bonett and a halbart
Edmond Person a iak a stelle bonett and a byll

*Thez be the namys off the artyffycers and maryners wych be good and able men and lakkyd ther
fensable array att the muster takyn by the sayd HERRY ANDERSON ther alderman and att
that tyme promysyd hym to provyde them to be able att all tyme to doe the kyngys grace
seruyce wheroff dyuerse and many well accomplysh ther promez other therbe whos habylte and
substance I the sayd Henry knawyth nott wherwppon I the sd can mayk no certyffication
butt ther namys seuerally followe wryttyn*

*The namys off the maryners that promysyd to provyde
them harnes folowyth—alle goode men and able to
do the kyngs seruyce—the number off them wych
promysyd to provyde harnes lxiij.*

Wyllm Rawe	Wyllm Blak
Thomas Schawdforth	Edmond Person
Robt Whytffylde	Robt Lyell
Ihon Bayrgald	Roland Emerson
Wyllm Tayller	Lewez Pendreth
Cudbert Ray	Cudbert Gybson
Hewe Ihonson	Wyllm Torner
Robt Herryson	Wyllm Rowte
Iamys Doue	Wyllm Weste
Ihon Rede	Edwarde Tynmowthe

Edwarde Maynell	Ihon Howppe
Ihon Robyson	Ihon Browkhus
Wyllm Tomson	Roland Ionson
Wyllm Holland	Wyllm Stokall
Ihon Anderson	Stewne Smythe
Ihon Herryson	Wyllm Persone
Robt Waldehayff	Ihon Hardyng
Ihon Iackson	Ihon Mak
Nicolas Smythe	Ihon Kyrkhuse
Ihon Clarke	Ihon Schadfforth
Thomas Hunter	Thomas Herryson
Ihon Freeman	George Swynborne
George Yownger	Rauff Hardyng
Edwarde Browndon	Iamys Wattson
Thomas Anderson	Ihon Womfray
	Wyllm Rawe

The namys of the artyffycers and craftys men wych promysyd to provyde harnes tall men and able to doo the kyng seruyce.

Robert Cryswell schyppwryght
Cuthbert Man schyppwryght

Cuthbert Houd smyth
Ihon Atkynson schyppwryght
Edward Hall baker
Robt Smyth and iij seruantz
George Smyth and hys seruante
Robt Deryk schyppwryght

The namys off the pore men wych be not able to by them harnes wych came before the sayd Herry Anderson ther alderman and the mayor wyth such as they had redy to doo the kyngs seruyce.

The number of thes that lak harnes and nott be able to by ytt cxx.

Wyllm Browne a byll a payr off splents a stell bonett
Robt Pateson a byll
Robt Bowtfflowre a byll
Wyllm Rede a byll
Wyllm Sotheron maryner nihill
Thomas Bendall baker
Wyllm Pownshon smyth
George Hereson maryner
Thomas Wode a byll
Ihon Smyth nihill
Ihon Wattson weuer
Ihon Howe mynstrelle
Thomas Middfforth kellman
Sander Stobbez walker
Henry Ionson
Thomas Ayrchbold mason in the kyngs warks att Berwyk
Nicolas Carmyng maryner
Ihon Gray maryner
Eduard Lowson maryner
Rauff Skott a maryner
Richard Tomson schyppwright
Richard Tomson
Wyllm Golland schyppwryght a bowe and a schaff of arrays
Nicolas Baskett maryner
Wyllm Grey maryner
Jeffray Anderson maryner
Richard Arkell maryner
Ihon Anderson maryner
Roland Smyth maryner
Wyllm Browne
Richard Herryson maryner
Roland Maybell maryner
Ihon Temple
Ihon Person schyppwryght
Ihon Wattson myller
Richard Brantyingam schyppwryght

Robert Smyth maryner
Thomas Doff maryner
Thomas Browne
George Day maryner
Ihon Wylson maryner
Ihone More a keelman
Richard Leche a schyppwryght
Robt Cooper tailer
Andro Donne carygman
Ihon Wylliamson schyppwryght
Wyllm Hanson weuer
Robt Crystyng maryner
Robt Reydeheyd laborer
Ihon Turnor weuer
Wyllm Dawsons
George Clarke
Robert Baxter maryner
Wyllm Browne
Ihon Hall maryner
Nicolas Blythman
Edward Taylyer
George Wryght taylyer
Wyllm Case maryner
Robt Wyllkynson maryner
Robt Sclatte kelman
Edward Anderson maryner
Roger Wylson maryner
Edmond Vnthank maryner
Robt Bays schyppwryght
Ihon Hayr maryner
Ihon Hedworth maryner
Nicolas Robynson maryner
Edwarde Burtile kelmane
Thomas Gray maryner
Raffe Maybell laborer
Henry Eden kelman
Henry Came maryner
Robt Cayme maryner
George Hesbrowk a nold man
Ihon Carnabe a keruer
George Atchyson sawer
Robt Lankester kelman

Edwarde Smyth kelman
Ihon Wylkynson kelman
Iamys Anderson laborer
Richard Smyth maryner
Roland Howton kelman
George Seyth laborer
George Bullok
Ihon Symson maryner
Thomas Bell maryner
Wyllm Wylkinson maryner
Oswold Robynson
George Sanderson kelman
Roger Bawkyng maryner
Ihon Richardson kelman
Christoffer Erynton maryner
Robt Stampe schyppwright
Wyllm Belyngton
Wyllm Kengston miller
Ihon Nicollson kelman
Thomas Grene kelman
Thomas Heeland kelman
Ihon Came kelman
George Veuer kelman
Wyllm Herryson maryner
Ihone Ferro maryner
Henry Rowt maryner
Ihon Kechyn
Robt Tomson maryner
Wyllm Snawdenne weuer
Richard Yonger maryner
Ihon Browne maryner
Wyllm Loncastle kelman
Thomas Anderson
Ihon Richardson smyth
Robt Swynborne tayller
Thomas Fargus kelman
Symond Walker maryner
Allen Mowille kellman
Pettor Robyson maryner
Robt Russell schyppwryght

The number off able men wythin hys iij wardys celxxxx.

The number that the holle towne may mayk ys m'lxxxxvij.

NOTES.

An inspection of the foregoing document will shew that but in one instance are the four wards usually allotted to each of the aldermen, assigned to the towers which their able male population were required to defend. This instance, however, enables us to assign with tolerable certainty the whole of the remaining twenty, while it will prove instrumental in determining the various quarters of the town in which the rest of its defenders lived. Brand gives us from an old MS. the boundaries of the various wards. He found it without date, and he does not endeavour to assign one; but from the circumstance of its stating that 'Wallknol-tower and Habkyn-tower are nowe but a warde,' we may not unreasonably suppose it to have been written at a period just subsequent to this Muster, in which the wards appear all to have been separate and independent. At the same time, from its mentioning the 'north kirk-dower of the Graie-freers,' it would appear to have been written not later than 1580, in which year the magnificent mansion latterly called Anderson-place was partly erected on the site and out of the materials of the dissolved house referred to. We have thought it desirable to transcribe this Account of the Wards, as it is intimately connected with our subject, and ventured to appropriate the Wards of the Muster to those of the document in question.

1. THE SAND GATE (*Habkyn-tower*). THOMAS HORSLEY—Ward I.—[Wallknol-tower and Habkyn-tower are nowe but a warde, and it shall have in warde from the Brad-chair-pant beside Bell-place, so going to a burn called Gogo, both the towers unto the south side Gogo-burn, as it runnes besids the Stane-brig unto Pampeden-burn, from Pampeden-yate to the Sand-yate, either in Pampeden or in Fisher-gate, or in another place from the said burn eastward within the warde, with all that dwell upon north-rawe, in Sand-gate.]

2. THE SALLYPORT (*Wallknol-tower*). THOMAS HORSLEY—Ward II.—Though in the MS. account of Wards given by Brand, this gate and Sand-gate are stated to be 'nowe but a warde,' yet in July 1647, the constables of 'Walknowle' and 'Sandgate' are separately mentioned.^a 'Wall-Knowle Ward occurs on a printed receipt for fire-hearth-money in 1685.^b

3. PANDON GATE. THOMAS HORSLEY—Ward III.—[Pampeden-yate shall have in warde from Galewaie-ent in Cros-gate beside All Hallows-pant, both the rawes of that Cross-gate, so goeng estward downe to the pante called Brad-chare-pant, with Bell-place that stands upon the pant. And with all the Brad-chair and and Narrowe chare, otherwise Colier-chair, with Michel-place buttant upon the west side of Pampeden-burn, beside the common seegeis upon the same burn.]

CORNER TOWER. THOMAS HORSLEY—Ward IV.—[Corner-tower shall have in warde all the howseis upon the Key-side as their dowirs opin southward towards the Kings Wall, upon the Key-side from the stone stair beside the common seigeis, so going eastward upon the Key-side unto the south end of Braid-chair yate in the said King's Wall.]

Thomas Horsley, to whose memory the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne owes much, and who four times served the office of mayor, devised all his property, after the death of himself and his wife, for the endowment of a Grammar School. This school, which was commenced in a building situate in S. Nicholas' churchyard, became in 1599, by charter from Elizabeth, a royal foundation, and its patrons, the Mayor and Corporation of the town, at that period removed it to the Hospital of S. Mary the Virgin in Westgate. The last relic of this religious house, its ancient and venerable chapel, within whose walls so many learned masters had presided, and so many distinguished scholars had been taught, was demolished by order of the Town Council in the spring of 1844, since which period the institution has been conducted in private chambers. Horsley's tomb-stone still remains just within the northern doorway of S. Nicholas, in a sadly worn condition.

5. AUSTIN TOWER. GILBERT MIDDLETON.—Ward I.—[Austin-tower shall have in warde from the northe end of Grindon-chare, so up that south rawe of the Nether All Hallow-gate into Galewaie-ent, with them that dwell in Brown-chair, Grindon-chair, Rodes-chair, Norham-chair, Philip-chair, Shipman-chair, Oliver-chair, Galowaie-chair, with halfe of Freers-Austins.]

Gilbert Middleton, sheriff 1519, mayor 1530, both from name and position evidently of the gentle family of Belsay. His namesake, and no doubt ancestor or relative, Gilbert de Middleton, was a fierce Border baron and robber of the beginning of the fourteenth century, who, at the head an armed retinue, composed of gentleman and others who like himself had been driven by the necessity of the times to acts of rapine, captured and plundered Beaumont bishop of Durham, at Rushyford.

^a Corporation books.

^b Shipwrights' papers.

Austin-tower was removed for the purposes of the Newcastle and North Shields Railway in 1838, up to which time it presented the finest example of the double-chambered towers on the Wall, having passed through the ordeal of modern occupation without any material alteration of its original features. Both chambers were finely arched, and the newel stairs from the lower to the upper, and from the upper to the platform of the tower, formed in the wall itself, were both in a state of perfect preservation.

6. **CARLIOL CROFT TOWER.** (*Plummer Tower*). GILBERT MIDDLETON—Ward II.—[Carlel-croft-tower shall have in warde from the Austine-chare in Pilgrim-street, upon that east rawe of Pilgrim-street unto the kirk-yard of All Hallowes, with all Tempil-gate, otherwaies called All Hallowe-gate, beneth All Hallowe-kirk, unto a burn called Gogo, with all Cow-gate and other placis betwixt Gogo and Kynges-wall unto the stone brig over Pandon-burn: also upon the Sandhill on the east side of Lorke-burn, beginninge at William Barbor's shop upon the corner in Boother-rent foreanest the Maison-Dieu, so going upon the east side of Lork-burn all that rawe towards Cale-crosse, to and with the corner called Olmar-rent, and so upwards all that corner unto the north end of Grindon-chair.]

Dinsdale, Cromer, Little, Fawdon, and Sanderson, who are among the number assigned to this ward and tower, were all substantial merchants. The latter, John Sanderson, was sheriff in 1531, and mayor in 1537.

This tower has been modernized by the company of Masons, whose meeting-hall it now is. The upper apartment has been wholly rebuilt.

7. **CARLIOL TOWER.** GILBERT MIDDLETON—Ward III.—[Carlel-tower shall have in warde all the east rawe of Pilgrim-street within the yate and without the the yate fro and with the Mawdelens, so coming inwarde upon the east rawe unto the Austin chare.]

This tower, still occupied by the Weavers' company as their meeting-hall, has been in their possession at least from the earlier portion of the reign of Elizabeth. The Carliol Croft, a vacant piece of pasture lying between the Wall and the east side of Pilgrim-street, and now covered with streets—was formerly used by the weavers in bleaching their goods. Many weavers doubtless were among the defenders of the tower. A large proportion, however, of those assigned to it, were merchants. Its constables, Baxter and Todd, as also Fowberry, Ogle, Orde, and Anderson, were all, we believe, members of the Merchant's company. John Hylton, no doubt a scion of the high family of Hylton of Hylton, was sheriff in 1539, and mayor in 1541.

8. **PILGRIM STREET GATE.** GILBERT MIDDLETON—Ward IV.—[Pilgrim-street yate shall have in warde without that same yate beginning at the great waist barn called Emelton-barn, foranest the Mawd-laines, so coming downwards and inwards upon that west rawe of Pilgrim-street-yate within the yate unto All Hallowes-pant beside Cordiners-place, beside the south kirk-stile of All Hallowes-kirke, with all the Painter-heugh, and with all Nether-dean-brig, and with all the north end of Over-dean-brig both sides thereof from Lork-burn eastward to Pilgrim-street, with Pensher-rent, and in Graie-Freer-lane from Ficket-tower eastward.]

If we are correct in assigning the fourth ward of Alderman Gilbert Middleton to Pilgrim-street gate, the noble old structure has had a goodly band of merchants and others for defenders. Eleven or more of those mentioned were members of the Merchants' company. John Blaxton, of the Gibside family, was sheriff in 1513 and mayor 1527. Roger Mitford was of the Mitford-castle family, but never mayor. George Davelle was probably a relative of Dr. Davelle, master of the Hospital of the Virgin in Westgate, who was the entertainer and the principal source of local information to Leland, (the great antiquary of Henry the Eighth,) who pronounced an eulogium on the Walls of Newcastle to the effect that "The strength and magnificens of the waulling of this towne far passith al the waulles of the cities of England and most of the townes Europe." George Davelle was sheriff 1521, and mayor 1545. Edward Pendreth, William Carr, Oswald Chapman, Francis Anderson, Edmund Claxton, Robert Hopper, Ralph Welch, and John Sticknell, were all merchants.

9. **FICKET TOWER.** ROBERT BRANDLING—Ward I.—[Fickett-tower shall have in warde from Whelping-ton-burn beside the great crosse standing within Maudlen-barres without the New-yate. And also within the New-yate, so going upon the east rawe southward unto a burn besides Lam-place that runnes towards Lork-burn, with all Graie-Freer-chare, fro the Barres foranenste Fickett-tower and the north kirk-dower of the said Freers westward, and noe further eastward in that lane.]

Ficket-tower stood partly on the site of the portico of S. James' chapel in Blackett-street, and partly on the flagged-way adjoining.

10. **BERTRAM MONBOUCHER TOWER.** ROBERT BRANDLING—Ward II.—[Bartram Mombowcher Tower shall have in warde all the west ende of Over-dean-brig, with the shoppes betwixte the Fische-shamells and the Bere-market and from the same brig end unto the Great-Nun-yate.]

11. **THE NEW GATE.** ROBERT BRANDLING—Ward III.—[Newe-yate shall have in warde all Raton-rawe, as it opins towards the pillarye in Clothe-market, with them that dwell in the north side of Saint Nicholas upon that east rawe of the Clothe-market unto the Overdene-brig-end.]

12. ANDREW TOWER. ROBERT BRANDLING—Ward IV.—[Andrew-tower shall have in warde fro the Great-Nun-yate southwarde upon that east rawe, unto a burne besids Lam-place that rynnys to Lork-burn, with all the Cock-stole-bothes, and with all the west rawe of Sid-gate fro Gallowegate unto the water-myln besids Sainct James-kirk.]

Robert Brandling, who with his eight servants 'well fornyshyd in all poynts, with bowys, halbarts, and harnes' for all of them 'and mo[re] yffe nede bee,' was a sumptuous merchant-adventurer of Newcastle, and a member of the gentle family of that name so long seated at the Felling, Gosforth, and other places in both counties. He was sheriff in 1524, and mayor in 1532, 1536, 1543, and 1547, on which latter occasion he was knighted by the Duke of Somerset, on his return through Newcastle after the battle of Musselburgh. Brandling died 18 June 10 Eliz., seized (amongst a vast amount of other property) of 'one howse or tenement in the Cloth-market, and another in the Big-market called *The Great Inn*.' In one of these it is not improbable he resided, and there entertained the Lord Protector Seymour, Duke of Somerset. Having no lawful issue, his property descended to his elder brother, Thomas Brandling, whose grandson was high sheriff of Northumberland in 1617.—(*Inf. Mr. W. Hylton Longstaffe; Eccles. Proceedings, Dur. 123; etc.*)

13. EVER TOWER. THOMAS BAXTER—Ward I.—[Ever-tower shall have in warde the Shod-freer-yate, so going up that rawe beside Whitte-crose unto New-yate, with all the Darn-crooke, and with all the Gallow-gate without New-yate unto the barriers as men goe to the Gallowes.]

14. MORDON TOWER. THOMAS BAXTER—Ward II.—[Mordon-tower shall have in warde both the east rawe of Spurior-gate, Sadler-gate, and over Flesh-shamel's, from the north-west kirk-stile of Sainct Nicholas unto the fishe-shamels, as the said rawe opens to the Clothe-market or to the Mele-market.]

15. HERBER TOWER. THOMAS BAXTER—Ward III.—[Herber-tower shall have in warde all the Meale-market fro Denton-chare to Pudding-chare, with all Pudding-chare and St. John-chare.]

16. DURHAM TOWER. THOMAS BAXTER—Ward IV.—[Durham-tower shall have in warde fro Sainct John-chare so going upward by Urd-place upon the west rawe of Bere-market unto the Shod-freer-chare, with all the Shod-freer-chare.]

The fencible men of Thomas Baxter's district are given in the Muster without separation into wards as usual. Baxter was sheriff in 1535. Nearly half of those mentioned as participating with him in the defence of the various towers, are, like himself, merchants. The alderman himself, with three servants or apprentices, and Bewick, the mayor, with five, are all armed with 'cotts of plate, bylls, and bowys, well appoyntyd.' George Selby, the sheriff, with his four servants are in a like worthy condition, while twenty or more other merchants and their apprentices, are all equally well, though perhaps less showily accoutred. A glimpse of a passage in the history of several of the founders of our best county families is here afforded—Bewick of Close-house, Selby of Bittleston and elsewhere, Chayor of Croft, Ord of Whitfield (?), Shaftoe of Benwell, Riddell of Felton, Carr of Cocken, Ellison of Hebburn, Liddell barons of Ravensworth, and Stott of Jesmond—only a tithe of those who in former times made princely fortunes in Newcastle's trade and commerce.

17. THE WEST GATE. JAMES LAWSON—Ward I.—[West-yate shall have in warde fro that vennell that ledeth into White-Freer-kirk, so goinge upon the West-rawe of West-gate unto the West-yate, with all that dwelleth without that yate. Also fro the west ende of Denton-chare so goeng upward upon the east rawe of West-gate unto the West-yate, with those that dwell in Sainct John kirk-yard, and with all that dwell fro the said kirk unto the West-yate.]

James Lawson descended rom the Lawsons of Cramlington, and himself the ancestor of the baronets of Brough, was an eminent merchant-adventurer of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. He was sheriff 1523, and mayor 1529, 1540, and died before 1 Edw. VI. His wife Alice was daughter of George Bartram, an opulent merchant, who resided in a house formerly the town-mansion of the Nevils. Its site is now occupied by the building of the Literary and Philosophical Society's Library. George Bartram (probably his father-in-law) in his 'cote of playt, steill bonet, and bowe,' it will be seen, accompanies the alderman himself, with his five servants all similarly accoutred.

18. PINK TOWER. (*The Spynke-towre. Pincke-towre.*) JAMES LAWSON.—[West-yate, upon the north [south?] side of West-yate aliter Pincke-towre, shall have in warde in the Close fro a high-stare that ledes fro the south postern of the Castell towards the Close, so going eastward that same rawe by the north side of Sandhill, unto and with All-Hallowe-kirk, and so going upward all the west-rawe in the Side unto and with Sainct Mary-lane, with the howseis upon the corner called Sainct Mary-lands in All-Hallow-kirke, and so going upward all the west-rawe in the Side unto a great waist upon the Castell-hugh, sometime called Old Lawrence Actons waist, now Thomas Heryngs, foranest a pante in the Side afore Swinborns doore upon Lork burne.]

This tower, which by some accident is placed in the Muster after Stank-tower, instead of the next in succession to Westgate, is still in existence, though in a ruinous condition, and daily threatened with removal. This is the more to be regretted, as it is decidedly the finest remaining on the whole line. Never having been occupied as a meeting-hall by any of the fraternities, and not having been designedly ruined, it has come down to us nearly in its original integrity. By the Muster we find its constables to have been Alexander Swinburne and John Blenkinsopp, who were both of the Merchant's company, of which worshipful body indeed were the greater bulk of its defenders. Among them occur the notable names of Bewick, Baxter, Anderson, Tristram, Tempest, Surtees, Trollope, Ellison, and Lilburn. We also find among them other substantial men—a goldsmith, a bladesmith, a bowyer, a barber-chirurgeon, and the like. The tower occupies a prominent situation in Clayton-street-west.

19. GUNNER TOWER. (*Gowner-tower.*) JAMES LAWSON.—[Gunner-tower shall have in warde from All-hallowe-pant beside Cordiner-place, so going downwardes the same rawe towards Cale-crosse, and so going upward by that Flesher-rawe unto Painter-heugh besids Swinburn-place, with a place called Pencher-place beyond Painter-hugh as it standeth upon the Lorke-burn.]

Here we have as constables a scion of the excellent family of Lambton of Lambton and Harraton, and John Fife, a locksmith. Among the rest we discover the romantic name of Conyers, and those of Heron, Cliffe, Brandling, Cromer, and Rokeby—merchants and their apprentices. Like the rest of the towers—thronged with defenders boasting the best of gentile blood.

20. STANK TOWER. (*Staynke-towre.*) JAMES LAWSON.—[Stank-tower shall have in warde all Gallowgate foreanest Castle-yate, so going northward from the east end of Gallow-gate upward that same rawe unto the est ende of Denton-chare, with the Iron-market, with all the howseis foreanest Iron-market down to Sainct Nicholas-pant, as their doors open towards the Iron-markett or towards the pant or towards Sainct Nicholas-kirk-yard, with all that dwell in the same yarde on the south side of the kirck.]

The remains of this tower, as well as the two next to be described, with the wall connecting them, were removed for the Central Railway Station and other railway works. The name of this tower would be derived from the waters of the moat at this point being *stanked* or dammed up in some especial manner, to render the fortification still more effective. As the ground falls in this quarter some such device would be found necessary to retain the water.

21. WEST SPITAL TOWER. HENRY ANDERSON—Ward I.—[West-Spittel-tower shall have in warde in the Side, that is to saie, upon the west rawe under Castel-mote from the Castle-yate, so going downward on that rawe to and with a great waiste [that belonged] Lawrence Acton now Thomas Heryng foreanest a corner shop of a chaunterie in Sainct John-kirk next the pant. Also from that pant afore Swinburne-dooere so going upward upon the east rawe in the Side unto the south kirk-stile of Sainct Nicholas by the east side of Sainct Nicholas pant, and no farrer.]

‘Paid constables of West-Spital-tower for candles and coles for the guards that watched the Scotch prisoners, 2s. 9d. Sep. 1650.’—(*Corporation Books.*)

22. DENTON or NEVIL TOWER. HENRY ANDERSON—Ward II.—[Denton-tower otherwise called Nevil-tower, that stands by north a yate called White-Freer-yate, now mured up with stones, shall have to ward all the Haire-heugh behind the White-Freers, with all the houses standing there upon the Burn-banck betwixt the Freer-kirk and a burne unto a stone brigg in Baly-gate, with all Baly-gate upwarde that same rawe unto Denton-chare, but nothing of Galowegate.]

23. WHITE FRIAR TOWER. HENRY ANDERSON—Ward III.—[White-Freer-tower shall have in warde from the east end of Baly-gate foreaneste the Javil-grippe, with all that dwell upon that high-stare. Also from that high-stare in the Close unto and with the west syde of the stare that ledeth from the South-postern of the Castell towards the Close, with all Javil-grippe, and from the Javil-grippe estwarde to the Sowth-rawe of the Close, and with all Bryge-end.]

24. THE CLOSE GATE. HENRY ANDERSON—Ward IV.—[Close-gate shall have in warde unto the Javil-grippe, but nothing of Javil-grippe. Also from the high-stare foreanest the Javil-grippe, so going westward upon the north-rawe unto the Close-yate.]

Henry Anderson, the alderman of these wards, was a successful merchant, and founder of a wealthy family, who afterwards became owners of Haswell-grange, in par. Pittington. He was sheriff 1520, mayor 1531, 1539, 1542, 1546, and his will is dated Jan. 1558. He seems to have had the management of a large, and generally speaking, unarmed or ill-armed river-side population.

The arms which occur in the foregoing Muster require little remark : the *bill* and *jack* are well known. The *sallet* (Fr. *salade*) is a head-piece. Under Stank-tower, we find 'a payre of brekadyns.' The following memoranda will be found illustrative :

Brigantayle, Brigandine—An extremely pliable kind of armour, consisting of small plates of iron sewn upon quilted linen or leather.

Of armis or of *brigantayle*
Stood nothyng thanne upon battayle.—*Halliwell*, i. 211.

Briui, Breynes—A cuirass.—*Halliwell*, i. 211.

12. Hen. 8 delyvered to y^e stewards xxij torches, ij baners a *peyre of bregandyns*, ij *peyres* of gossets, and a *fayle* of male, and a *stondart*, and a *sallett*, and a *sworde*, and xxij *arros* and a case—(*Shearmens books, Shrewsbury*.)—*Sandfords Shrewsbury*, 470.

It will have been observed that 'a hand gowne' is mentioned as a portion of the warlike accoutrements of Thomas Conyer's apprentice in Gilbert Middleton's second ward. It is the only instance in the whole document of fire-arms being mentioned. It is an evidence that these weapons were a rarity at the period in England, though they were used in Germany in 1516. Figures armed with hand-guns (says Chatto) may be seen in the cuts illustrating the wonderful adventures of the 'Loblich, streytpar, and hochberumbt Held und Ritter Herr Tewrdanckhs.' *Nuremberg*, 1517. Germany would appear to have been the favourite market for arms in the beginning of the sixteenth century ; we find in the Muster several instances of '*Almen reuets* ;' this was a kind of light armour used at the period, from its title apparently of German manufacture.

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