

of Sainte John, to be holden of our late Sovereigne, as of his manor of Easte Grenewyche, by fealtye onlye, in fee socage, and not in cheffe. AND WHERE the said Symon Welburye and Christofer Morlande, 20 July, 1 Marye, for 152*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.* haith gevyne to Hodgshon the saide messuages, landes, and other there hereditamentes, in Langchester, Meddomesleye, Eshe, Grenecrofte, Usshaw, Cornesay, and Stanlaye. NOWE Hodgshon, for 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, HAITH gevyne unto the said Thomas Hopper his messuage or tenement in Meddomesley, late in the tenur of James Hunter, of Meddomesley, husbandman, deceased, and also all landes, glebe landes, and other his hereditaments in Meddomesley. 1571.

RYCHERD HODSHON. (Seal a tradesman's mark and R. H.)

LOCAL MUNIMENTS.

LENT BY ROBERT RICHARDSON DEES, ESQ.

These deeds relate exclusively to the eastern part of Newcastle; and, as it will be observed, are of considerable interest in many respects.

30 Nov., 38 Hen VI. (1451). Ralph Gray, Knt.,¹ demises in perpetuity at 6*s.* 8*d.* rent, to William Jeynakres, a tenement in le Bradchare, in the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, which John Glanton lately held to himself, his heirs and assigns, of Gray and his heirs, and inhabited while he lived. To hold to Jeynakres in fee.

4 April, 11 Hen. VIII. (1520). John Snow,² of Newcastle, merchant, grants to John Doxforth, George Houghall, John Tode, and Robert Wilkynson, a house or stable near a messuage in le Brodechear now in the tenure of Snow, and late of John Coke, of the same town, merchant, deceased; within these bounds, viz., between the said messuage on the west as far as the rivulet running under the said messuage on the east, and from the great messuage of the Lord of Lumley on the north as far as the said tenement late of John Coke on the south. Which house or stable Snow lately had by demise in perpetuity of Conand Barton.³ To hold to Doxforth, &c. To the use specified on the

¹ Of Warke, Heton, and Chillingham. Beheaded at Doncaster 4 Edw. IV.

² A person of that name was mayor in 1503.

³ Representative of the Dolphanbys of Gateshead.

back of this charter. Witnesses, John Brandlyng,⁴ one of the aldermen of the said town, Robert Brandlyng, George Brandlyng, Thomas Herbottell, &c. Seal, f h c

Endorsement.—"Memorandum that I John Snow wyll my said feoffes named in this said dede....shall suffre the churchwardens for the tyme beyng of the church and chapell of Alhalowes in the town of Newcastle upon Tyne and ther successors.... to take levy and perceyve all the profyttes revenues and rents comyng and growyng out of the said house and stable to the onely use and for th'agmentacion of the reparacions of the said church and chapell of Alhalowes for ever."

"John Snow for the stabell."

The last deed and that following (which is given at length) are curious as evidencing the methods by which the churchwardens of those days kept their edifices in repair by means of trust property. The comparative plainness of town churches is a subject which might be enlarged on.

John Cook, Coke, or Cokke, the donor, occurs as Mayor of Newcastle in 1477 and 1482. Edward Baxter, the purchaser, was Sheriff in 1509 and Mayor in 1517, 1522, and 1523. He was a very eminent merchant of the town. In 1516-17 the Merchants' Company owed him 8*l.* 6*s.* for money lent by his servant beyond sea, "for the sewyng down of of our towlls." The memorandum of this in the Company's books is signed "*p' me Edward Baxter cler.*" There is a slight pedigree of his family in the Visitation of 1615. His wife was Alice, daughter of William Davell. His sons were, Matthew Baxter, who married the co-heir of Highfield, and Edward Baxter, who married a daughter of Lord Ogle. His mother was an heiress of Marshall, and her mother a co-heiress of De Ruda. The death of John de Ruda, the brother of the last lady, was singular. He was slain in Beverley West Wood by his childless uncle, Sir John de Ruda, Knight, to whom he seems to have been heir presumptive.

THIS INDENTURE maide the Twenty day of May the xiiijth yere of the reigne of Kyng Henry after the Conquest of England the Eight (1521) Bitwen the Meyre Aldremen Shirreff and Communalte of the town of Newcastle upon Tyne, upon that one partie And Edward Baxter merchaunnt of the same town upon that other partie WITNESSETH that where the kyrkmaisters and parocheyns of the Churche of Alhalowes of the same town were seased of and in one house with the Appurtenancez lyggyng and sett in a strete within the said town and paroche called the Brodechear boundyng bitwen a tenement late of Bartram Yonghusbandes now in the holdyng of James Cokerell on the North parte

⁴ The father of Sir Robert Brandling.

And a certeyn wast bylongyng to th'eyres of Conand Barton on the south parte And from the Kynges strete on the west parte to a tenement late of Robert Grene And now in the tenur of John Stelle wever on th'est parte by the right divides to theym and ther successors parocheyns of the same for ever Of the giffit and graunnt of John Coke late meyre & one of th'aldermen of the said town Which house sumtym was the dwellyng place of the said John Cokke And late of John Snowe AND WHERE that John Tode John Doxforth Robert Wilkynson, and George Houghall late Kirkmaisters of the said Church by the assent of the holle parocheyns aforesaid have fully solde gyven and graunnted the said house tenement & stabull with the appurtenancez and Implemenes⁵ to the same belongyng to the said Edward Baxter and his heyres forever as by ther dede with delyvere of seasyng beryng date the fourth day of May the yere of our sovaine lord kyng Henry the eight the thryttenth it aperith for the some of threscore and six poundes thrytten shillinges and four pens to theym paid in ther greate necessite for the buyldynges and reparacions of the said church of Alhalowes which was in greate ruine and decaye at that tym And without the speciall ayde and helpe of the said Edward Baxter couthe nott at that tym have ben buylded As all We the said Meyre Aldermen Schirreff and communalitie well knowes and confesses by theiz presentez and that the said some of money was well & trewly bystowed of & for the buyldynge & Reparacions aforesaid IN CONSIDERACION wherof & in Recompence & Satisfaction of the said some of money All We the said Meyre Aldermen Schirreff & communalitie Asmuch as in us is by thiez presentez gyves & graunts the same house tenement & stabull with th' appurtenancez to the said Edward Baxter To HAVE AND HOLDE the said tenement & house & stabull with all and everyt ther appurtenancez to the same Edward Baxter his heyres and assignes forever of the cheyff lordez of the fee by the service theyr of dewe & accustomed without any thyng therefor doying or paying to the said Church or to th'use therof in tym commyng AND MOROVER We the said Meyre Aldermen Schirreff & communalitie Ratifiez & confermez by thiez presentez to the said Edward Baxter his heyres and assignes forever all th'estate title possession & interest which he or eny other persone or personnes to his use have in the said house tenement & stabull with th'appurtenancez of the giffit of the said John Tode John Doxforth Robert Wilkynson & George Houghall Kirkmaisters of the church of Alhalowes aforesaid and of other the parocheyns of the same in as ample & large maner as they the same have gyven to hym for the causes aforesaid ALL THE WHICH giffits graunnts & confirmacion We the aforesaid Meyre Aldermen Schirreff & communalitie have maide & done forasmuch as the said Edward Baxter hath well & trewly paid & contentid the said some of threscore & six poundes thrytten shillinges & four pens to the kyrkmaisters & parocheyns aforesaid for the well & profite of the said church and for & aboute the same the said some hath bene well & trewly bystowed and employed without which money the buyldynges of the same cowth nott have bene hade Butt of lyklyhode the said church workes shuld nott have bene doone or performed AND MOROVER upon the salle yevyng and graunntyng of the said house &.

⁵ See this expression explained by a deed of 1564 infra.

stabull with th'appurtenancez and Implementes in forme afor reherced the said Edward covenanteth graunnteth & byndeth hym and his heyres unto the said John Tode John Doxforth Robert Wilkynson & George Houghall and all the parocheyns of the said parochie church of Alhalowes And to ther successors that every yere yerely forever The said Edward & his heyres upon ther propir costs & expenses shall cause to be celebrate & songen one Aniversary in the said church of Alhalowes the sixteen day of Juyne placebo & dirige with the masse of Requiem with noote And all the belles rongen^e with the belman goyng aboute the towne as the maner is And a hedemasspenny offered at the masse for the soules of John Coke his wiffe ther faders & moders soules and all cristyn soules to the some of thre shillinges & seven pens AND FURTHERMORE the said Edward wole & graunnteth by thiez presentez that if the saide Aniversary service aforsaid be nott doné celebrate & songen every yere yerely and at the day afor reherced or within eight daies next after the said day That then it shalbe lefull to the church wardens of the said church for the tym beyng parocheyns of the said parochie & ther successors in all the said house with all th'appurtenancez & Implementes to Entre & distreyn & the distresses ther taken to leide bere & dryve away and toward theym holde to tym the said Aniversary service be done celebrate & songen as is aforsaid Any graunnt maide to the contrary nott withstondyng IN WITNES wherof to the one partie of this Indentur remaynyng with the said Edward his heyres & assignes the said Kyrkmaisters hath sett ther Seales And for the more corroboracion therof the Meyre Aldremen Shirreff & communalte to the said parte hath sett the common Seall of the said town And to the other parte therof remaynyng with the said Kirkmaisters parocheyns and ther successors the said Edward hath sett his Seall YEVEN at the said town of Newcastle the xxth day of May and the yere afor reherced.

[First seal wanting. Second, a signet, with a rude representation of the Virgin and Child. Third, broken and illegible. Fourth wanting. Fifth (the town seal) wanting.] Sigillat' et deliberat' in presencia scriptoris *R Lawson ser.* [Endorsed] For the housse in the Brod Chayre. [The date is filled in by a lawyer of the 17th or 18th century, "20 May 13 K. Henry 1st. 1113."]

12 March, 17 Hen. VIII. (1525-6). John Lumley, Lord of Lumley. Knt., demises in perpetuity to Agnes Arnalde, of Newcastle, widow, a tenement or messuage in le Brode Cheare between a tenement of Lord Lumley now in the tenure of Edmund Snowe on the north and a tenement of the same Lord Lumley on the south, and now in the tenure of

- 6 "When the Bels be merrily rung,
And the Mass devoutly sung,
And the meat merrily eaten,
Then is Robert Traps, his wife and children quite forgotten.
Wherefore Jhesu that of Mary sprong,
Set their souls the Saints among;
Though it be undeserved on their side,
Let them evermore thy mercy abide."

Clays Clere,⁷ and extending from the King's highway called le Brode Chear on the west unto le Burn Banke backward towards the east. Rent reserved, 7s. Signed, *Thon lord Lumley*.

In dorso. "Raffe Horden Cap. of the Mary Anne of Newcastle.—Annes Arnold."

9 Sep. 1 Edw. VI. (1547). This document is given at length.

"Too all trewe Cristine people to whome thies presente lettres testimonyalles shall come or the same shall here see or reed Henry Anderson maior of the Kings Majesties towne of Newcastle upon Tyne sendeth greatinge in our Lorde God everlastinge to whome apperteane dewe honoure and reverence Knowe you that where ther doo depende certane contrauersie bitwixt Agnes Arnolde laite wif to Richarde Arnolde laite of the saide towne of Newcastle upon Tyne Mariner decessed And Rauf Hardinge and Johannet his wif laite wif of William Blacke of the saide towne Mariner decessed for and concerninge the title righte and Interesse of one tenemente with th' appurtenances lyinge within the saide towne of Newcastle upon Tyne in a strete ther called Spicer Chare The whiche tenemente with th' appurtenances latelie did belonge to John laite Lord Lomley Knighte The saide Rauf Hardinge and Johannet his wif for the justificacion of ther Interesse in the saide tenemente with th' appurtenances the daye of makinge of thies presentes have broughte bifore me the said maior Robert Brandlinge⁸ of the said towne of Newcastle upon Tyne marchaunte one of the Justices of peax within the said towne and laite fermor of all the londes rentes and tenements latelie belonginge to the said laite Lorde Lomley within the said towne and nighe ther aboutes and Sir Thomas Halyman⁹ preiste lately Receyver of all the londes belonginge to the said Lord Lomley of th' aige of xlix yeares Who have sworne and corporally deposed before me the said maior upon the holie evangeliste: That, if the said Agnes Arnolde or hir Antecessours were seased of and in the said tenemente or had any estaite of enheritaunne in the same that the said Lord Lomley did not make his reentre for defalte of paymente of the rente dewe to hime at the daies accustomed to be paied but for the waiste maide upon the saide tenemente contrary his graunnte (as they suppose). For the saide deponentes saye, that they knowe the Lorde Lomley had his rente deulie paied at all times within sevon yeres before his reentre into the said tenemente All whiche premisses the said deponentes affirme to be trewe upon ther owne mere knowledge Wherefore I the said Maior require youre *universities* to accepte and take thies Lettres testimonialles for a sufficient declaracion in this bihalve In WITNES whereof I &c. have put the Seall of my office." 9 Sep 1 Edw. VI. Seal. See Brand, plate ii., fig. 2. A small foliated counter seal.

⁷ In the recital of this deed in 4 Edward VI., this singular name is spelt *Claiice Clere*.

⁸ Knighted at Musselburgh by the Duke of Somerset.

⁹ The Hallimans were stewards to the Lords Lumley for some descents. They originated at Fulthorpe, near Grindon.

25 Feb., 4 Edw. VI. (1550-1). Richard Busshe, citezen and Lether-seller, of London, and Agnes his wife, daughter and heire of Agnes Arnolde, wedowe, deceased, convey all their estate in the premises granted by Lumley in 17 Hen. VIII., to John More, citizen, and Parisshe Clarke of London, yielding 7s. yearly to Lord Lumley.—“*p. me Rycherd Busshe*”—Seal, a merchant's marke. Agnes signs by mark.

26 May, 4 and 5 Phil. and Mar. (1558). William Dent, of Newcastle, gent., demises in perpetuity to Henry Brandlynge, of the same town, merchant,¹⁰ a garden in the street called Brode Chaire, between a tenement belonging to Lord Lumley, lately in the tenure of Isabella Foderbie, widow, on the south, and a vennel called the Heade of the Brode Chaire, on the north, and extending from the said street before on the west unto a rivulet called Pandon Borne backward to the east. Endorsed “Wyllm. Dent for Walknowll—Mr. Dent for the wast besyd Fotherbie in the St'k brige.”

4 Sep., 4 Eliz., 1562. Robert Brandelinge, of Newcastle,¹¹ Knight, conveys to Edward Johnson, of Newcastle, mariner, two burgages or tenements lying together in Spyce Lane, abutting on a vennel called the Stonye Hyll,¹² on the north, a burgage, in the tenure of John Grene, on the south, the King's street called Spyce Lane on the east, and a burgage belonging to John Bower, taylor, on the west: and a rent of 10s. proceeding from a burgage in Spyce Lane in which Johnson now lives, abutting on a burgage in the tenure of Richard Smalcheare, on the south, a burgage in the tenure and occupation of Thomas Atcheson, on the north, Spicer Lane on the west, and on the rivulet called le Burne Bancke on the east: and a burgage in Spyce Lane now in the tenure and occupation of the said Thomas Atcheson, abutting on the burgage in which Johnson lives, on the south, a tenement belonging to Robert Hallyman, and in the several tenures of Thomas Fyeffe and Robert Raye, on the north, on Spyce Lane on the west, and on Burne Bancke on the east: and a burgage in Brode Chayre, abutting upon a house called a Horse Mylne, on the north, a mansion house called *The Mansion Place*, belonging to the said Robert Hallyman,¹³ on the south, le Brode Chayre on the west, unto le *courte garthe* of the mansion of the said Robert

¹⁰ Younger brother to Sir Robert Brandlyng mentioned below, and the same Henry that comes hereafter

¹¹ He acquired Felling and Gosforth by his marriage with Anne Place, the coheir of her mother, Catherine Surtees. Dying childless, these estates passed to the blood of his brother, Thomas Brandling.

¹² *Vide* Brand, i, sub tit.

¹³ Of Lumley Castle.

Hallyman on the east. Seal, the crest of Brandling, the burning brand.

In 1564, John Baxter, of Hebburne,¹⁴ co. Durham, Esq., son and heir of Matthew Baxter, late of Newcastle, merchant, conveys to Henry Brandelinge, of Newcastle, marchante, his great mansyon house or tenemente in the Brode Chare, now in the occupacion of Brandlinge, betweene a tenement in the occupacion of Edward Creake onn the northe, and a horse mylne in the occupacion of Brandelinge onn the south, and extendethe frome the Broade Chayre onn the weste, unto a tenemente in Pandon, in the tenure of wedowe Brockehouse, otherwyse callede wedowe Steele, onn the easte: and his burgage or tenemente in Sandegate; and one house, commonlye called a *Maste House*, with a piece of waste grounde adjoyninge to the said tenemente; which tenemente, and parcell of waste, and maste house, lyethe betweene a tenemente in the occupation of John Taylyer, maryner, onn the easte, and the tenemente nowe in the occupation of John Kyrksoppe onn the weste, and extendethe from Sandgate, onn the northe, unto the grounde ebe of the water of Tyne, onn the southe: and all brewe leades, steape leades, seasters, pressers, and all other implements¹⁵ in the said greate mansyone house, and other the premyses. Henry Wicliffe is one of the witnesses.

10 July, 1578 [proved 19 Jan. 1578-9]. Will of Henry Brandlinge, of Newcastle, marchant.¹⁶ "To be buried in St. Nicholas church as nye my father [John Brandling, often Mayor] as may be. To the vicar for my forgotten tieth 6s. 8d., with my mortuarie. To my welbelovde sonne, Robert Brandling, begotten of my first wife, Margaret, my two winde mills, called the Easter and Wester Mills, with a close perteyninge to the Easter Mill, and fower leazes wherupon the Wester Mill doth stande; alsoe a greate house called Pandon Hall; one other tenement in the tenure of James Watson, weaver; one tenement in the tenure of Margaret Wilkinson, wedowe; three tenements above the stares, and one cellar under the same; two tenements adjoyninge to the same, wherein John Lawson doth dwell; the late in the tenure of John English, mariner; and one tenement on the Flesher Rawe, in the tenure of Richard Burnup, merchant: To holde to my sonne Robert [in tail male, rem.] to my sonne, Richard Brandlinge, begotten of my wife Ursula [in tail male, rem.] to my sonne William Brandling [in tail male, rem. over.] To my sonne Richard Brandlinge, begotten of my wife

¹⁴ The Hebburn estate was acquired by his grandfather Edward. It was sold by this John to the Hodshon family.

¹⁵ See the Indenture of 1521.

¹⁶ See his marriages and issue in Surtees, ii, 92.

Ursula, my house new builded in the Close; one house called the Maste House, with a tenement to the forestreet, and a waist ground perteyn-
ing to the same, in Sandegate; two garths with three riggs or leazes, and
one tenement with one garth and one rigg without Pilgrim Street gate,
on the east side. [*Cetera desunt.*]

The remaining deeds relate only to the great mansion house in Broad Chare. The seven sons of Robert Brandling¹⁷ enumerated by Surtees, seem to have died without male issue; and in 1615 we find Elizabeth, the widow of Richard his brother, a merchant of Newcastle (having dower or jointure), and Henry Brandling, of Newcastle, gent., her son, the persons interested in the mansion. A dreary array of mortgages follow; some of them to Anthony Swinborne, a gentleman of Elswick; and in 1617 the property was alienated by the mother and son to William Cooke, a master and mariner, of Newcastle. One of Brandling's seals in that year is remarkable. It never had any device. In lieu, *a bay leaf* is doubled and placed on the front, and the wax being turned down on one side fixes it there. William Matthew, in an exceedingly delicate hand, attests the livery of seisin to Cooke. He was the draughtsman of Speed's Map of Newcastle, and unfortunately has omitted the names of the streets.

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Gateshead.

¹⁷ His wife's name was Margaret, and he is evidently the person commemorated in the obliterated rhymes at All Saints' church which conclude with

"Like as the *brand* doth flame and burn
So we from death to life must turn."

* * * 1 Jan., 1624. Agnes Norris, of Newcastle, widow, leases to William Mongey and Thomas Harrison, of the same town, mariners, a burgage in the Broad Garth or Chare, formerly used as a loft and sellor. The counterpart is signed by Mongey and Harrison by marks, and they seal with a swan or perhaps a pelican, and W. (*Qu.* the pelican crest of Norris of Scotland?) Thomas Claphamson is a witness.