THE FIRST MINISTER'S ACCOUNT OF HEXHAM PRIORY.1

HEXHAM.—The account of Reginald Carnaby, knight, collector of the rents there from Michaelmas, 27 Hen. VIII. [1535] to Michaelmas 28 Hen. VIII. [1536].

ARREARS.—None, because it is the first account of the said accountant.

FARMS OF DEMESNE LANDS.—Site of the late Monastery of the Priory, with the buildings to the same belonging, and the Hospital of Saint Giles, and lands to the same belonging, late in the hands and occupation of the Prior, as appears by the survey thereof made by the Commissioners of the King, and remaining in the possession of the Court for Augmentation of the Crown, 17s. 4d.

RENTS AND FARMS OF TENANTS .- Of 57 tenements or burgages within the town of Hexham leased amongst divers tenants, 121. 14s. 5d.-5 tenements in the vill of Saundehouse leased at will, 106s. 8d.-10 tenants at will in the town of Alnewick, 81. 13s. 1d.-5 tenants at will in the vill of Yarwick, 46s. 8d.-5 tenants at will in the vill of Dotland, 66s. 8d.—Capital messuage at Beringfield, with the lands, meadows, feedings, and pastures, to the same belonging, leased to Henry Harryngton by indenture as is asserted, 71.—Capital messuage called Beaufronte, leased to Edward Hirste and Wm. Legh at will, 20s -Tenement in Grotington in the tenure of the relict of Thomas Heryngton at will, 40s.—Grange of Milbarne, ten. Edmund Horseley by indenture as is affirmed, for — years, 106s. 8d.—Tenement formerly ten. 8 tenants called Kirketon, leased to Wm. Musgrave, 71.-4 tenements in Aldstanemore, ten. as many tenants at will, 4l. 13s. 4d.—9 tenants at will in the vill of Dalton, 8l. 13s. 4d.—5 tenants at will in Neisbie, 106s. 8d.—Grange or tenement called Chesborne Graunge, ten. Gawen Swynborne, 4l.—Tenement in Stellyng, ten. Thomas Swynborne, 33s. 4d.— 6 tenements in Echewyke, ten. as many tenants at will, 66s.—A grange called Carrawe, with the lands, meadows, feedings, and pastures to the same adjoining, this year lies waste, and although a certain tower is built there of great strength, every one wholly refuses to dwell in the same as the accountant affirms.—Water corn mill called Ingo Mill, leased to William Storey, 13s. 4d.—Tenement in Purdo, ten. Edw. Bell, 8s.—

¹ The substance of a full copy furnished to Mr. Jasper Gibson of Hexham. There are some discrepancies in the figures and corruptions in the names.

Tenement in Walton, ten. Rob. Tolland, 10s.—5 tenements or burgages. in the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne at will, 27s. 8d,-4 tenements in East Matfen, ten. as many tenants at will, 53s 4d.—Cottage in West Matfen, 16d.—Cottage in Slavelee, 5s.—Tenement called Stokesfieldhall, 14s. 4d.—Tenement in Birtley, 3s. 4d.—Tenement in Newburne, 5s.— Tenement in Stannyngton, 5s.—Tenement in Gonnerton, 13s. 4d.—9 tenements in Warden, ten. as many tenants at will, 61. 13s. 4d.—Tenement called Bieresparke, ten. Thomas Lord Dacre, knt., 33s. 4d.—Tenement in Chollerton, ten. the vicar there, 40s.—2 tenements in Temple Thorneton, 26s. 8d.—Tenement in Resshelles, waste.—Tenement in Haresley, 6s. 8d.—Tenement, with the appurtenances, called the Priourshouse formerly 9s., a tenement called Bowtry house formerly 13s. 4d., and a tenement in Hugh formerly 26s. 8d., lie waste. Tenement with the appurtenances called Farendenhall in the Bishoprick of Durham, ten. Wm. Blakeston, and affirmed to be held under a lease for years, 106s. 8d.—Tenement in Stevnton, in the Bishoprick of Durham, at will, 26s. 8d.—3 tenements in Longchester in the Bishoprick aforesaid, ten. as many tenants at will, 34s. 8d.—Manor of Little Broughton, co. York, ten. Wm. Warden, 121. 18s. 3 d.—Temporalties of the Prebend of Sawton, viz. the demesne lands of Sawton, 101. 16s., and other tenements in Sawton, Edston, and Brawby, 131. 4s., as appears by the confession of the late Prior. Sum, 157l. 2s. 5 d.

Issues of the Spiritualties.—Rectory of Sawton, co. York, belonging to the Prebend there, 131. 8s., and Ekeley [Ilkley] rectory, co. York, 100s., with all their rights and appurtenances, leased to Thomas Meryng. -Issues and profits of the tithes of corn of the whole parish of Hexhamshire, 55l. 10s. 5d., viz.: Tithe of corn of Hexham, 10l., Alenwyk, 13s. 4d., Sandehowe, 8s., Acome, 53s. 4d., vill of Waul., 46s. 8d., vill of Cokely, 10s., vill of Kepike, 13s. 4d., vill of Irryngton, 20s.: All tithes whatsoever of the chapel of Alwentdale, 15l.: Tithe of lambs of the whole parish of Hexhamshire, 68s. 7d.: Tithe of wool of the whole parish, 27s. 6d.: Personal tithes and free Easter offerings of the whole parish, 91: Tithes and oblations within the chapel of Saint John, 43s., chapel of Saint Oswald, 60s., chapel of Beyngfield, 66s. 8d.—Issues and profits of the rectory and tithes co. Nd., 391. 6s. 8d., viz. Rectory and tithes belonging to the church of Aldestone Moor, 66s. 8d.: Tithes of corn of Newburgh, 26s. 8d., of the parish church of Aldwyck, 20s.: Tithes of the vill of Fourestones, 13s. 4d.: Tithe of corn of Chollerton, 26s. 8d., Barford, 33s. 4d., Chipches, 4l. 6s. 8d., Gonnerton, 40s., Colnewell vill, 40s., Hayden brigg, with the parish of Langlay, 17l. 13s. 4d., leased to divers persons—Tithe of corn of the parish of Isell, co. Cumberland, let, 100s.—Sum, 1181. 5s. 1d.

SALE OF WOOD.—None sold.

SUM TOTAL OF RECEIPTS.—2661. 15s. 31d.

DISCHARGED RENTS.—The moiety of the rents of the demesne lands, because they were occupied by the Prior and convent from Michaelmas vol. 1v.

27 Hen. VIII. to 4 Feb. following, on which day the said priory, together with all its possessions, came to the hands of the king (by virtue of an act, &c.) as their own right, viz.—for the term of St. Martin in winter, happening within the time aforesaid, 8s. 8d.—The like of the rents of tenants [for the same reason], 74l. 10s. $2\frac{3}{4}d$.

Rents Resolute and Pensions.—Rents Resolute.—Sheriff of York, from the lands in Sawton, at 13s. 4d.—Chapter of the metropolitan church of York, from the same, 40s.—Choristers of the church aforesaid, from the prebendal lands aforesaid, 4s. Yearly Pensions.—Bishop of Durham, from the churches of Wardon, Chollerton, and Aldestane, 33s. 4d.—Prior and convent of Durham, from the churches of Aldestane and Ovingham, 10s.—Abbot and convent of Blanchland, from the chapel of Slaveley, 23s.—Sum during the time of this account, nothing, because paid by the Prior.

Salaries to the Curates.—Curate of the parish church of Hexham, at 41.—of the chapel of Saint John, 41.—of the chapel or church of Beyngfield, 41.—of the chapel of Slaveley, 41.—of the chapel of Alwentdale, 41.—Sum, nothing, because paid by the Prior.

FEES.—Henry Earl of Northumberland, High Steward of the late priory, at 100s.—John Lord Latymer, Steward of the House of Salutation, co. York, 53s. 4d.—James Ridley, Bailiff of Sawton, 26s. 8d.—Sum, nothing, because paid by the Prior.

PAYMENT OF MONEY.—Charged in the account of receipts, for money received by the late Prior and convent for the demesne lands in the occupation of them from the said 4 Feb. 27 Hen. VIII. unto the end of this account, viz. from the term of Pentecost within the time aforesaid, wherefore they are answerable, 8s. 8d.—The like for rents in divers towns, received by the Prior and convent, 73l. 11s. $2\frac{1}{2}d$.—The like for issues of the spiritualties by them received from the said 4 Feb. and by them now therefore accounted for to the king, 118l. 5s. 1d.—Sum, 192l. 4s. $11\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{4}d$.

Sum of Allowances and Payments, 266l. 158. $2\frac{1}{2}d$.

The sum corresponds with the sum aforesaid received.