

VIII.—DURHAM SEALS.*

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II.—ARCHIDIACONAL, DECANAL, CAPITULAR AND SECULARS

3251. Chester,¹ officiality of the archdeaconry of . . . [G] D 108, A.D. 1343.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8} \times ?$ (imperfect). A half figure standing, hands crossed in
front and wearing a cloak with high collar and wide flowing
sleeves. Beneath under a trefoiled canopy is a sheaf between
on the dexter the forepart of a lion, on the sinister its forked tail:

. LITATIS : RIE.

ARCHDEACONS OF DURHAM.

3252. JOHN² : 3-2 Spec. 9.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8} \times 1\frac{5}{8}$ ". A bare headed figure of John standing, holding a
book in his left hand (Durham Seals, 60) :
SIGILL ANNIS . D. MENSIS . ARCH. . . .
3253. BOUCHARD³ 2-1 Arch. Dunelm. 16
Very imperfect, part of a seated figure with nimbus :
. NA

¹ The sheaf is from the shield of the earls of Chester, a device first used by Ralph de
Blondeville.

² Circa A.D. 1180. See H.D. I, 179, where John, archdeacon, witnesses a deed of
bishop Hugh's of about that date (*ibid.* II, 218). The figure is rudely drawn and archaic
in style, and the seal in bad condition. John is apparently vested in amice, and a long
dalmatic of some thin material, his head is tonsured and he holds an object in his right
hand, possibly a rod, but it is very indistinct. See N.C.H. VII, 145*n*, where this deed
is printed. L.N. III, 302; S.B.M. 2518.

³ Circa A.D. 1190-1196. L.N. III, 302; H.D. II, 218. He was treasurer of the church
of York and a nephew of bishop Hugh Puiset (Stubbs, 'Historical Intros. to Rolls Series,'
211). He witnesses numerous charters of his cousin Henry Puiset, printed in 'The
Priory of Finchale' (S.S. 6). Geoffrey of Coldingham, states that he died VIII Id.
Dec. (6th Dec.) 1196. (Scrip. Tres., 18).

* Continued from vol. XIV, page 291.

3254. WILLIAM OF LANUM⁴ 4-1 Spec. 13.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$, a sheep, above it a star :
✠ SIGILL WILLI DE LANEM.
3255. ROBERT OF ST. AGATHA⁵ . Misc. 4033 ; A.D. 1268 ; 1-1 Arch.
Dunelm. 4, A.D. 1271.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1''$. A tonsured figure of Robert habited in amice and cassock, standing in a niche and holding a book with both hands in front of his breast (Durham Seals, 60) :
. ILL : ARCHID NAT' : DVNELM.
3256. SIMON OF FERLINGTON⁶ 2-1 Arch. Dunelm. 17.
Oval, $\frac{7}{8}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Antique gem, indistinct and undecipherable :
S' SIMONIS D' . FERLINTONA.
3257. THOMAS OF GOLDESBURGH⁷ . . 1-1 Arch. Dunelm. 6 ; A.D. 1323.

⁴ Circa A.D. 1219-1249. Lanum or Laneham, a residence of the archbishops of York in Nottinghamshire on the Trent. He was probably the same man as William of Durham the first founder of University College, Oxford. This seal is appended to a quit claim by Margery and Julia, heirs of Philip of Ulecotes, to the convent of Durham, of the homage of Robert Clifford, and is probably his private seal. L.N. III, 302 ; Scrip. Tres, 35 ; 'Archbishop Gray's Register,' 245*n* (S.S. 56) ; Cal. Pap. 1, 251.

⁵ Circa A.D. 1267-1273. Probably named from the abbey of St. Agatha, Easby, near Richmond. He holds the '*Textus*' or book of the Gospels in his hands, L.N. III, 302 ; R.P.D. 1160 ; Scrip. Tres, 46. Robert was succeeded as archdeacon by Antony Bek, who held the office until his election as bishop of Durham in A.D. 1283. William of Louth (de Luda) A.D. 1284-1290 was Bek's successor. There is an excellent impression of his seal as archdeacon in the British Museum (S.B.M. 2519), which shows very clearly the completion of the fully developed niche, with side shafts and crocketed canopy, from the rudimentary niche of Robert of St. Agatha. See paper by Dr. J. F. Hodgson in A.A. 3rd ser. XI, 8. Also Kirkby's Inquest, 65*n* (S.S. 49) ; Archbishop John le Romeyn's Register 365*n* (S.S. 123) ; H.D. II, 218.

⁶ Circa A.D. 1296. He is styled 'Mag. S. de Ferlingtona archidiaconus Dunelm,' but this is evidently his private seal. A charter of his granting the ville of 'Kyhou' to the almoner of Durham is printed Scrip. Tres, cccxxxix ; L.N. III, 302.

⁷ Circa A.D. 1311-1333. The motive of this seal shows a sudden change from that of its predecessors in place of the full length figure of the archdeacon, the patron saints of the cathedral priory are predominant, in the place of honour, whilst the archdeacon in a more lowly place, kneeling, adores them. It follows the same line of evolution as that of the episcopal seals of dignity, though the change is more abrupt, not gradual as in the case of the bishops. Possibly had we the seals of his immediate predecessors we might have found some transitional design. Goldsborough is in the West Riding, near Knaresborough. Thomas was probably a brother of Richard of Goldsborough, lord of that manor in 1316 and later. L.N. III, 303 ; Scrip. Tres, 103 ; H.D. II, 219.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing beneath a canopy holding the child Christ; on her sinister is St. Cuthbert standing, in mass vestments, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier. St. Oswald's head on his breast. Beneath a tonsured half figure of Thomas prays to them (Durham Seals 60):

S' THOME : DE : GO. RCHIDIACON DVNELM.

3258. THOMAS NEVILLE⁸ . 2-2 Pont. 12; 2-1 Arch. Dunelm. 10; A.D. 1341.

Oval, $2" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a niche with crockets and side shafts, holding the child Christ on her left arm, and an apple (?) in her right hand; on her sinister side stands St. Cuthbert in mass vestments his right hand holding his crosier, his left St. Oswald's crowned head. Beneath is a half figure of Thomas wearing a round cap, cassock and almuze, praying. Above is a shield of arms charged with a saltire (Durham Seals, 60):

S' : THOME DE NEVYLE ARCHIDIACONI DVNOLMIE

3259. WILLIAM OF WESTLEY⁹ . 1-1 Arch. Dunelm. 9; A.D. 1362; 2-11 Spec. 51; A.D. 1368.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 1\frac{3}{8}"$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a

⁸ A.D. 1334 to *circa*, A.D. 1360, L.N. III, 303. He was a younger son of Ralph lord Neville who died 1331 (S.D. IV, 158). He was appointed to this office by the king (Edward III), 31st March, 1334 (Cal. Pat. 1330-34, p. 532; R.P.D. IV, 189) Le Neve's (III, 303) list is here incorrect. Aumaury Beaumont was already archdeacon XVII Kal. Feb. (16 Jan.) 1333 (Cal. Pap. II, 392) and he was dead before 8th October in the same year (*ibid.* p. 395). Robert of Taunton was appointed by the king 3rd Jan. 1334 (Cal. Pat. 1330-34, p. 491). I can find no further notice of him but he must have vacated the office before the appointment of Neville, 31st March, 1334, who appears to have held it till about the year 1361. The shield of Neville in chief is the first appearance of armorials on the seals of archdeacons at Durham. I am unable to detect any mark of cadency on the shield. This late appearance of armorials is probably accounted for by the fact that most of his predecessors were not men of families likely to have borne arms. Unfortunately we have no archidiaconal seals of Antony Bek or of Aumaury Beaumont.

⁹ A.D. 1362-1369. He was dean of Auckland, and chancellor of bishop Thomas of Hatfield (H.D. II, 312). The blason of his shield is unknown. The legend of the seal is in a good legible type of black letter the first of this series to change from the Lombardic type of the earlier seals. L.N. III, 303; S.B.M. 2524; Scrip. Tres, cxxxvi.

richly decorated niche, holding the child Christ on her left arm and a lily in her right hand. Beneath under a cusped arch is a shield of arms, with looped strap, on a bend three cocks (Durham Seals, 60) :

s' : Dni willi. de. westle archidia'ni. dunelmie

3260. THOMAS OF WESTON¹⁰ . 1-2 Arch. Dunelm. 17, 18 ; A.D. 1400 ;
1-2 Arch. Northd. 29 ; A.D. 1401.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{5}{8}$ ". Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated in a niche of rich tabernacle work, the child Christ standing on her right knee. On each side is a niche of two tiers, in each of the upper two is a bust, in each of the lower, beneath a penthouse roof is a demi angel. Beneath under a round arch with cuspings is a half figure of Thomas in cassock and almuce praying. On the dexter side is a shield of arms bearing a cross of six interlacing bastons, on the sinister a shield bearing a saltire of six interlacing bastons (Durham Seals, 60) :

sigillu : thome : weston archidiacon : dunolmensis

3261. THOMAS OF WESTON¹¹ . Misc. 6277 ; A.D. 1397 ; 2-1 Arch.
Dunelm. 13 ; A.D. 1396.

Octagonal signet, $\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{8}$ ", t. w.

3262. DURHAM, OFFICIAL OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . 1-11 Spec. 10 ;
A.D. 1253.

¹⁰ A.D. 1393-1408. L.N. III, 303 ; H.D. II, 220. He was a canon of Howden, holding the prebend of Barnby (Cal. Pap. vi, 38-9), chancellor of bishop Walter Skirlaw (Scrip. Tres, clxvi), master of Greatham Hospital (Scrip. Tres, clxviii), rector of Easington, canon of York, prebend of Grindale (L.N. III, 191), rector of Sedgely (Wills and Invents. p. 45). He was also one of bishop Skirlaw's executors (Test. Ebor. II, 311). A mandate from him as archdeacon, dated 17th March, A.D. 1399, is printed Scrip. Tres, clxxxiii, to which he affixes this seal, now decayed, and describes it as the seal '*quo ut Archidiaconus Dunelmensis utimur*.' His private seal is no. 2611 in this catalogue. His will is printed Wills. and Invents. p. 45. This seal is exactly the same as the '*ad causas*' seal of bishop Skirlaw, except that the shield on the sinister is a saltire instead of a cross and the archdeacon, in choir habit, kneels in base in place of the bishop. See no. 3145 and plate 51 in this catalogue. The blason of his shield is unknown, but it seems as if he had adopted the interlacing bastons of his friend bishop Skirlaw and had placed them, for difference saltire-ways instead of crossways. The dexter shield is doubtless that of Skirlaw.

¹¹ The same man as no. 3260. His signet used for private letters.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$, indistinct and undecipherable :

. . . . PATRIS.

3263. DURHAM,¹² OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . 3-12 Spec. 12 ;
A.D. 1346 ; 4, 5 Spec. 22, 23 ; A.D. 1353 ; I-I Arch. Dunelm.
6, 7, 8, no. 16 ; A.D. 1411.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. Above is St. Cuthbert, in mass vestments, enthroned ; his crosier in his right hand, St. Oswald's head in his left, held in front of his breast. On the dexter side of the throne is C on the sinister B. Seated on a chair beneath is a tonsured figure, wearing a cassock (?), admonishing with raised hand a figure in a short gown and hood, who stands in front of him, appealing to him with outstretched hands. Beneath are three flowers, with stalks, issuing from one stem (Durham Seals, 60) :

S' OFFICIALITATIS ARCHIDIACONAT' DVNELMENS'

3264. DURHAM,¹³ OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHIDIACONATE OF . 1-8 Spec.
3, 6 ; A.D. 1474 ; I-II, Spec. 29 ; A.D. 1514 ; Loc. XVI,
14L ; A.D. 1483.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. Demi-figure of St. Cuthbert in mass vestments, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier, St. Oswald's head in front of him. Beneath is a demi figure praying :

sigill arch.dunelm . . .

ARCHDEACON OF DORSET.

3265. HENRY OF BLUNTESDON¹⁴ Misc. 3622 ; A.D. 1316.

Round, $\frac{3}{4}'' \times ?$ (imperfect), a tonsured figure in the habit of a monk standing, handing bread (?) to four figures who hold out their hands to him :

SIG RW EI

¹² The seal is used in A.D. 1331 by Aumaury Beaumont's official, and in A.D. 1411 by John Hovingham, official. It seems to represent the archdeacon performing his 'archidiaconal functions.'

¹³ Used in A.D. 1474 by John Pickering, official.

¹⁴ A.D. 1287-1316 (Jones 'Fasti Ecc. Sar.' 138 ; L.N. II, 638). His name is from Blunsdon, North Wilts. He was prebendary of the stall of Gaia Major in Lichfield cathedral, A.D. 1313 (L.N. III, 606), and also of the stall of Chute and Chisenbury in Salisbury (Jones, Fasti Ecc. Sar. 374).

ARCHDEACON OF ELY.

3266. GILES¹⁵ LOC. XIX, 35, circa; A.D. 1230.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ", a hawk on a bird, beneath is a demi-figure of the archdeacon tonsured, robed and holding a book (?) to his breast with both hands:

Outer legend LLV GIDII LYE . .

Inner legend ✠ . . PE . . . VI . SVA INEO.

ARCHDEACON OF LEICESTER.

3267. RICHARD OF ELVET¹⁶ 4-16 Spec. 34; A.D. 1404.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ", Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work. The child Christ, encircled by her arm, stands on her right knee, in her left hand she holds a lily in flower. Beneath under an arch is a tonsured demi-figure of Richard in alb and amice, praying (Durham Seals):

sigillb: ricard: de: elvet: archidiaconi: lecestr.

ARCHDEACON OF LINCOLN.

3268. RICHARD OF RAVENSER¹⁷ 2-3 Spec. 58; A.D. 1370.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{2}$ ", Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a niche of rich tabernacle work, holding the child Christ on her right arm. In her left hand she holds a lily. On the sinister side is a bishop in full pontificals, blessing; on the dexter is the robed

¹⁵ Circa, A.D. 1222-1238. (L.N. I, 350). He is styled *Egidius dni, Papae subdiaconus et capellanus, archidiaconus Elyensis*.

¹⁶ From the date of this charter it appears that Richard was appointed archdeacon on the death of his brother John, A.D. 1404. Richard resigned the office A.D. 1424 (L.N. II, 61). See also no. 874 in this catalogue. He was instituted to the deanery of Newarke college, Leicester, at the presentation of John, duke of Aquitaine and Lancaster, 1st October, 1396 (Linc. epis. reg. XI, f. 233). He vacated the deanery by death before 18th Dec. 1431 (*ibid.* XVII, f. 37). The Elvets were household clerks of John of Gaunt: see his register ed. Armitage-Smith (Royal Hist. Soc. New Camden Soc. Series). The charter is beautifully written and the three seals suspended by silken cords woven in black and white. The seals are sunk in cups of white wax, and impressed on a facing of black wax. S.B.M. 1833; see also no. 874.

¹⁷ A.D. 1368-1386 (L.N. II, 44). He held the prebend of Knaresborough in York, to which he was appointed by the king 25th September, 1371 (L.N. III, 196). He was also a canon of Beverley (*Beverley Chapter Act Book* (S.S. 98) and *Archaeologia* LV, 1). He

figure of a man holding a book in his left hand. Above them, in a compartment of tracery are two demi-angels. Beneath is a shield of arms barry wavy, on a chief three birds. A bird stands on the crockets of the flying buttresses at each side of the top canopy, on the line of the legend (Durham Seals, 60):

s'. ric: de: ravenser: archidi: lincolnie.

3269. OXFORD, OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . . Loc. XVI, 12a; A.D. 1464.

Oval, 2" \times 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a niche of elaborate tabernacle work, holding the child Christ on her right arm and a sceptre in her left hand. Beneath under an arch is an ox standing in water¹⁸ (Durham Seals, 60):

sigillm: officialitatis: archidiaconi: oxonie.

ARCHDEACONS OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

3270. RICHARD MARSH¹⁹ 2-2 Pont. 4.

Oval, 2" \times 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". The same seal he uses as *secretum* to his episcopal seal of dignity, no. 3118 (Durham Seals, no. 50):

Secretum, oval, 1" \times 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ ", a fleur de lys, the field of the seal is covered with wavy lines representing a marsh (?).

✠ SIGNO SECRETA RICARDI

founded the chantry of two priests in Lincoln minster known as the Ravenser chantry (Bradshaw and Wordsworth, *Linc. Cath. Statutes*, III, chantry index, pp. 888-99, S.V. Ravenser). For his will see *Archaeol. Inst. Lincoln* vol. 1848. The bishop in the sinister niche probably represents St. Hugh of Lincoln, the figure on the dexter is apparently one of the apostles. The shield in base is very interesting. Its wavy lines (O.F. *oundée*) probably blasoned silver and azure, represent the sea, which has long ago swallowed up the town of Ravenser; the birds on the chief will be ravens, as also are the two birds above the canopy on the line of the legend. For an account of Ravenser see Boyle's 'Lost towns of the Humber,' S.N.M. 1820.

¹⁸ In canting allusion to the name of the city. From its general style the seal seems earlier than date of charter and may well be the seal used *temp.* John Southam archdeacon 1404-40 (Visits. Linc. 182).

¹⁹ He is styled archdeacon of Northumberland, A.D. 1212, and archdeacon of Richmond and Northumberland, A.D. 1213 (L.N. III, 136, 305; H.D. II, 222). He succeeded as bishop of Durham A.D. 1217 (Scrip. Tres, 35). For his episcopal seals see nos. 3118, 3119 in the catalogue.

3271. ALAN OF LYNN²⁰ 4-2 Spec. 13, 14; A.D. 1239.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ", a figure in monastic habit seated on a chair at a desk, his feet placed on a stool. He is reading a book or roll (Durham Seals, 60):

✠ SIGILLVM MAGRI ALANI : DE : LENNA
(Inside border) ARCHI : NORTH . .

- 3271a. JOHN OF NASSINGTON see no. 1864.

3272. JOHN OF CARLETON²¹ . 2-1 Arch. Northd. 1; A.D. 1328; no. 2;
A.D. 1331.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ", Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated with the child Christ on her knee, beneath a crocketed canopy with side shafts; on the dexter side is I, on the sinister Q. Beneath John in monastic habit kneeling, prays. The field of the seal is diapered with lozenges enclosing crosses (Durham Seals, 60):

S' ARCHIDIACONATVS NORTH . . BRIE

3273. EDMUND HOWARD²² . 2-2 Pont. 12; A.D. 1341; 2-1, Arch.
Northd. 5, 6; A.D. 1340.

Oval, 2" \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ", Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a niche, holding the child Christ. On the sinister in a similar niche is St. Cuthbert standing, in mass vestments, his right hand blessing, his left holding St. Oswald's head. Beneath is Edmund praying, above in a smaller niche is a shield of arms, a bend between six crosses crosslet fitchy (Durham Seals, 60):

S' MAGRI . EADMVNDI HAWARD ARCH'D NORTHVMBRIE

²⁰ He is named as archdeacon A.D. 1219 (L.N. III, 305; H.D. II, 222). His name is from Lynn in Norfolk. The motive of this seal and the costume of Alan are entirely different from other seals of this series. It seems as though this were a seal used before his succession to the office, the words within the inner border of the legend have the appearance of having been inserted after the seal design was completed.

²¹ Presented by the king A.D. 1328. (L.N. III, 306; Cal. Pat. 1327-30, p. 235; H.D. II, 223). The initials on each side are the only guide to the owner of this seal. The use of christian and surname on the seals of archdeacons began comparatively early.

²² A.D. 1340. (L.N. III, 306; H.D. II, 223). In A.D. 1342 he is styled archdeacon of Durham (probably in error for Northumberland), by bishop Richard (R.P.D. III, 508). In July, 1336, he had letters of protection as one of the clerks going abroad with bishop Richard of Bury (Cal. Pat. Rolls, 1334-38, p. 304). The shield bears the entire arms of Howard blasoned *gules crusilly fitchy and a bend silver*. See 'First Nobility Roll'; 'Roll of the battle of Boroughbridge,' and the 'Parliamentary Roll' of Edward II,

3274. RICHARD OF BARNARD CASTLE²³ . 2-I, Arch. Northd. 8, 3-I,
no. 10; A.D. 1362.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. Our Lady robed and crowned, seated in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work with the child Christ standing on her left knee, and a lily in her right hand. Beneath is a shield of arms bearing a stag (Durham Seals, 60):

s' dñi ricardi de cas. rdi archidia . . ni
northub . . .

3275. WILLIAM OF BEVERLEY²⁴ . 2-I, Arch. North. 10; A.D. 1369;
3-I, Arch. North. 11; A.D. 1370.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$, a tonsured figure wearing an alb and cassock, standing in the central gateway arch of a battlemented castle built upon rocks. The gateway is flanked upon each side by round battlemented towers. Rising from the battlements of the dexter tower is the crowned head and bust of St. Oswald the king with sceptre, and the letter O in the field, from the sinister tower issues the mitred head and bust of St. Cuthbert with crosier and the letter C in the field (Durham Seals, 60):

s' willmi de beverle oní nortumbrie

3276. JOHN OF DERBY²⁵ . 2-I, Arch. Northd. 11; A.D. 1371; no. 12;
A.D. 1375.

²³ A.D. 1362-1369, when he resigned it for the deanery of Auckland. (L.N. III, 306; H.D. II, 223). The clumsy and badly drawn stag and ill shaped shield rather spoil the beauty of the general design. For his private seals see nos. 557, 558 in this catalogue. He was chancellor to bishop Thomas Hatfield (H.D. I, 312). It was he who caused the bones of the venerable Bede to be removed from near St. Cuthbert's shrine to the Galilee at Durham (Greenwell's *Durham Cathedral*, 51n; *Rites*, 104).

²⁴ A.D. 1369-70. (L.N. III, 306; H.D. II, 223). A unique and very effective device, probably intended to represent the gate of the New Jerusalem. He was prebendary of Stillington in York (L.N. III, 213).

²⁵ Presented by the king (Edward III), 3rd December, 1370. (L.N. III, 306; H.D. II, 390). The archdeacon is represented in choir habit with the almuce showing the pendent tails of fur. This is the earliest appearance, I have noted in the seals of Durham, of this vestment. Why the royal shield should be used here is not apparent unless it is done out of compliment to king Edward who gave him the preferment. The charges on the sinister shield differ from those on his private seal (ro. 789). The blason is not known. He was also dean of Chester-le-Street. He was chaplain to the king and a canon of Westminster, A.D. 1370; dean of the collegiate church of Lanchester, A.D. 1369 (S.D. II, 311); canon of York, prebend of Driffield (L.N. III, 182).

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work holding the child Christ on her left arm and a lily in her right hand. On the sinister in a like niche is St. Cuthbert standing, in mass vestments, holding St. Oswald's crowned head in his left hand, and his crosier in his right. Above in the centre of the canopies is the head of the Father. Beneath is a tonsured half figure of John wearing surplice and almuze praying. On his dexter is a shield of arms France (ancient) and England quarterly, on his sinister is a like shield bearing a chevron between three dogs heads rased (Durham Seals, 60):

s : io h i s : d e : d e r b y : a r c h i d i : n o r t h u m b r i e .

3277. JOHN REPHAM²⁶ 2-1, Arch. Northd. 13; A.D. 1397.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. St. Cuthbert standing in mass vestments, his right hand holding his crosier, his left holding St. Oswald's head to his breast:

. r e f f h e m i d i n o r t h . . .

3278. ROBERT BURTON²⁷ Loc. xxv, 23.
Round signet, $\frac{3}{4}''$ armorial, a saltire. On a scroll above and around shield:

e n g r a c e a f f i e .

3279. NORTHUMBERLAND,²⁸ OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . .
Misc. 4162x; A.D. 1283.

Oval, $1'' \times \frac{1}{2}''$, a castle, with a central and two side towers, placed above water (or on rocks), a star on each side, and above a crescent enclosing a star:

. O F F I C I A L O R H V M B R I .

²⁶ Circa A.D. 1386-1404. (L.N. III, 306). In the ratification of his estate after the accession of Henry IV, 30th October, 1399, John of Repham is mentioned as master of the hospital of St. Mary Magdalene without the walls of Newcastle-upon-Tyne (Cal. Pat. 1399-1401, p. 27). There is a Reephem in Norfolk and another place of the same name three miles north-east of Lincoln.

²⁷ A.D. 1427-46. He was precentor of Lincoln; for an account of his life and preferences see Visits. Linc. 174-175. This is the earliest use of a signet by an archdeacon that I have noted at Durham. But it is the signet of bishop Neville of Durham and only used here by Burton; see nos. 3154-3156.

²⁸ Used by R., styled official of the lord archdeacon of Northumberland, collector of the tenths of our lord the king of England.

3280. NORTHUMBERLAND,^{28a} OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . .

1-3, Spec. 40; A.D. 1313.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$, similar to no. 3279 with some slight and unimportant differences.

✠ S' OFFICIALITAT : NORHVMB . . .

3281. NORTHUMBERLAND,²⁹ OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . .

2-1, Arch. Northd. 7, 9; A.D. 1345; 4-18, Spec. 12; A.D.

1351; 3-4, Ebor. 10; A.D. 1331; Misc. 4319; A.D. 1335;

1-2, Arch. Northd. 38; A.D. 1416; 2-2, Arch. Northd. 7, 8.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1''$, St. Cuthbert standing beneath a crocketed canopy with side shafts, in mass vestments, holding his crosier in his right hand and St. Oswald's crowned head in his left. On dexter side I, on sinister n. Beneath is a tonsured figure in surplice and almuze praying (Durham Seals, 60):

sigill. officialitatis archid: no[rthumbrie]

3282. NORTHUMBERLAND,³⁰ OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . .

2-2, Arch. Northd. 7, 8, 11; A.D. 1417; Misc. 16; A.D. 1436;

2-1, Arch. Northd. 13, 14; Loc. XX, 14; A.D. 1436.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. St. Cuthbert standing in mass vestments in a canopied niche with crockets and side shafts; his right hand holding his crosier, his left St. Oswald's crowned head. On dexter side is I, on sinister N. Beneath is a tonsured demi-figure in surplice and almuze praying:

sigill. officialitatis archid: northumbrie.

3283. SALISBURY,^{30a} ARCHDEACON OF . . . Misc. 5115; A.D. 1281.

Oval, very imperfect. Our Lady seated with the child Christ; on her left hand is a seated male figure holding a book (?) in front of his breast with both hands:

LEGEND DESTROYED.

^{28a} Used by Thomas of Hurworth, notary public, official of the commissary of the archdeacon of Northumberland.

²⁹ Used in A.D. 1335-36 by Ralph of Blakiston, styled official of the lord archdeacon of Northumberland.

³⁰ Used A.D. 1401 by John Dalton, styled archdeacon. He was dean of Lanchester (S.D. II, 309). In A.D. 1436 it is used by John Smeaton, official of the archdeacon of Northumberland.

^{30a} I cannot identify this man; the attribution to Salisbury seems to be an error.

3284. SUFFOLK, THOMAS OF SCHIRFORD,⁸¹ ARCHDEACON OF
2-5, Ebor. 3; A.D. 1386; 4-5, Ebor. 4, 5.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}" \times 1\frac{3}{8}"$. The crowned and robed figure of St. Margaret standing in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work. She holds in her right hand a cross-headed spear which she thrusts down the throat of the dragon she tramples upon. In her left hand she holds a closed book. Beneath under an arch is the figure of Thomas tonsured and wearing an almuce; his hands, joined in prayer, rest upon the top of a shield of arms, charged with three flying birds (Durham Seals, 61):

æ'thome de: scireforde archidiaconi: soffolchie.

ARCHDEACONS OF THE WEST RIDING.

3285. HUGH SOTEVAGINA⁸² 2-4, Ebor. 6, *circa*; A.D. 1138.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}" \times 1\frac{3}{4}"$. A robed figure seated, holding a book in his left hand and a rod (?) in his right (Durham Seals, 61):

SOTTOVAGINE . COG [NOMINE] COGNITVS . HVGO.

3286. RAYNER OF SKIPTON⁸³ 2-2, Archiep. 2; A.D. 1265.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}" \times 1\frac{1}{8}"$. The robed and tonsured demi-figure of St. Peter placed between two turrets and beneath a church-like canopy. He holds a key in his right hand and a book in his left. Beneath, under an arch is the tonsured kneeling figure of Rayner in alb and dalmatic, praying (Durham Seals, 61):

S' RAYNERI ARCHIDIACONI . EBORACI

3287. RAYNER OF SKIPTON 3-1, Ebor. 15; A.D. 1265.

Oval, $1" \times \frac{3}{4}"$. Antique gem, a male head:

✠ DEVS MISEREATUR MEI.

⁸¹ Presented by the king, January, 1383-84. (L.N. II, 488). His name is probably from Shereford in Norfolk. The blason of the shield is unknown. The impression from the matrix is deeply sunk in a cup of white wax for protection. (S.B.M. 2118).

⁸² *Circa* A.D. 1138. (L.N. III, 131). This is the earliest archidiaconal seal at Durham. It is slightly dished, and the vestments appear to be an alb or cassock with a short vestment, without sleeves, worn over it in form not unlike a short chasuble. He was precentor and archdeacon of York. This charter is printed, and there is a short account of him in Hist. Ch. York, II, xii *et seq.*

⁸³ *Circa* A.D. 1260. (L.N. III, 132); S.B.M. 2380. He was still archdeacon in 1267; on 9th May in that year he presented his clerk Roger to the vicarage of Mexborough (Giffard's Register, S.S. 109, p. 154).

3288. YORK,⁸⁴ ARCHIDIACONATE OF DURHAM IN THE PROVINCE OF
Misc. 4165; A.D. 1334.

Round, 1". A small cross within a geometrical device in the
spandrils of which are the evangelistic symbols:

* DILVE DELICTA IOHIS CRVX B'NDICTA

ARCHDEACONS OF CLEVELAND.

3289. MATTHEW OF (illegible)⁸⁵ . . . 3-1, Spec. 64, *circa*; A.D. 1225.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". A tonsured figure standing on a bracket wearing
amice and alb, holding a book to his breast with both hands
(Durham Seals, 61):

✠ S' : MAGRI : MATHI : DE : . CO . . . I : ARCHID
EVELAND.

3290. RUFINUS⁸⁶ . Misc. 4260, 4261, 4262, 4522; A.D. 1279-1280;
4830; A.D. 1277.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". A cross paty, between a star, a crescent, a sixfoil
and a rose, beneath and above the cross are three dots:

S' RVFFINI . COLLECTORIS DECIME.

Secretum, antique gem, a figure driving two goats.

3291. STEPHEN MAULEY⁸⁷ 2-1, Archiep. 16; A.D. 1313.
Oval, 2" \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". On the dexter St. Peter as Pope, on the sinister
St. Paul holding sword, each seated in a canopied niche. Be-
neath, Stephen in clerical gown with tippet, kneeling, prays
(Durham Seals, 61):

S' STEPHI DE MAVLAY ARCHID CLIVELANDIE

⁸⁴ Seal used by the collectors of the tenths from the clergy of the archdeaconry of Durham within the province of York.

⁸⁵ *Circa* A.D. 1225. (L.N. III, 145). Unfortunately that part of the legend giving the archdeacon's surname is broken away, and it does not appear to be known. It is an early example of the use of a surname on seals. He was instituted to the church of Simonburn (North Tyne) at the presentation of Alexander II, king of Scotland, February, 1229 (Gray's Register, S.S. 56, p. 29).

⁸⁶ *Circa* A.D. 1263-1280. (L.N. III, 145). The seal he uses as collector of the tenths for the Holy Land. Called Rufinus de Tonego (Giffard's Register, S.S. 109, 95*n*; Cal. Pap. I, 395). He was a papal chaplain (*ibid.* 433).

⁸⁷ *Circa* A.D. 1289-1317. (L.N. III, 145). He was a younger son of Sir Peter Mauley, lord of Mulgrave. He is styled here rector of Hemingburgh. He was also rector of

Secretum oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, a winged figure of Victory holding a wreath:

* MESSAGE SV

ARCHDEACONS OF THE EAST RIDING.

3292. JOHN OF CRAUCUMBE⁸⁸ Misc. 3416; A.D. 1306.

Oval, very imperfect and indcipherable, a standing figure:

. RAVCUMBE

3293. JOHN OF CRAUCUMBE Misc. 3936; A.D. 1289; 3817; A.D.

1297; 4141; A.D. 1298.

Oval, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a griffin:

* SVM SIGILLVM . VERITATIS.

3294. DENIS AVENEL⁸⁹ Misc. 3698, 3733, 4051a, 4477, 4832, 4126,

4138, 4711, 4832, 5110P; A.D. 1327-1339.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times 1". In a canopied niche on the dexter is St. Lawrence, in alb and dalmatic, holding a palm branch in his right hand and a gridiron in his left, on the sinister in a similar niche is a figure in the same habit holding . . . ? Above them in a central niche with crockets and finials is the demi-figure of Our Lady, robed and crowned, holding the child Christ. Beneath is a demi-figure tonsured and robed, praying (Durham Seals, 61):

SI : DIONISII : AVENEL : ARCHIDIACONI EST RIDING :

Houghton, A.D. 1313 (R.P.D. I, 486), dean and prebendary of Auckland (*ibid.* 107; 215-216). In 1291 he had a dispensation from the pope to hold the churches of Bainton and Lythe and the archdeaconry of Cleveland, which he had held without papal dispensation; he is styled deacon and papal chaplain (Cal. Pap. I, 537). In the same year he had joined the crusade (*ibid.* 542). For further note on him see Romeyn's Register (S.S. 123, 378n). The shield of Mauley occurs twice among the shields carved beneath the triforium string course on the south side of the nave at York. It is also depicted in glass in the fourth window from the east in the south aisle of the nave there. The lower part of the centre light represents the archdeacon seated in a chair beneath him was the inscription . . . EN DE MAULEY ARCH . . D . . . (see 'Heraldry of York Minster,' vol. I, p. 103 and pl. 2). S.B.M. 2521.

⁸⁸ A.D. 1280-1308. For an account of his life, and preferments, see Romeyn's Register S.S. 123, p. xx; L.N. III, 142, 190.

⁸⁹ Circa A.D. 1322-1340. (L.N. III, 142). The saint on the sinister is probably the archdeacon's name saint St. Denis. In 1330 he is styled formerly official of the court of William (Melton), archbishop (Cal. Pap. II, 320); S.B.M. 2382.

3295. WILLIAM OF WALCOTE⁴⁰. Misc. 4100 b and c; A.D. 1349;

4771a; A.D. 1355.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. St. Catherine standing in a richly canopied niche crowned and with long hair and veil, holding her wheel in her right hand, and a sword in her left. A figure in clerical habit kneels to her. Beneath is a shield of arms, a cross engrailed between four crosses crosslet. The field of the seal is powdered with flowers (Durham Seals, 61):

s'w . . . walcote archidiaconi. est ri . . . ge.

3296. EAST RIDING,⁴¹ OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . . Misc.

3740; A.D. 1286; 4051d; A.D. 1325; 4062a; A.D. 1310; 5027; A.D. 1290; 4558; A.D. 1283.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. A church standing above waves in which swim fish. On each side of the church is a fleur de lys:

✠ S' OFFI CHIDIACO INGIE.

3297. EAST RIDING,⁴² VICAR GENERAL OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . . Misc.

3799; A.D. 1346; 4078e; A.D. 1345.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. The crucifixion with our Lady and St. John, beneath is a figure praying, the field of the seal is diapered (Durham Seals, 61):

✠ S'. VICARII. GENERALIS. ARCHIDIACONI EST RIDYNGIE.

⁴⁰A.D. 1352-1362-3. (L.N. III, 142). He had provision of the rectory of Pudding Norton in Norwich diocese, by the pope, in 1344, at the request of Isabella the queen dowager (Cal. Pap. III, 12), in 1350 he was rector of Essendon in diocese of Lincoln, and in that year he was presented to the rectory of Geddington, Northants, by queen Isabella (Lincoln Reg. IX, Inst., f. 144d.). In 1351 he is described as keeper of the great wardrobe to Isabella, and at her request, is provided to a canonry in Lincoln (Cal. Pap. III, 418, 439). In 1353 he is styled receiver of the household to queen Isabella, archdeacon of the East Riding and rector of Geddington (Cal. Pap. III, 479). In 1356 he was presented to the fourth stall in St. Stephen's chapel, Westminster (Cal. Pat. 1354-58, p. 417). He resigned his canonry and prebend of Carleton and Thurleby in Lincoln before March, 1358 (Cal. Pap. III, 592). He died 1362-3. The blason of this very effective shield of arms is unknown. (S.B.M. 2383).

⁴¹In charter no. 5027, A.D. 1290, John of Craucumbe is named archdeacon. In no. 4051, A.D. 1315, Alan of Cotum is so named the latter is not in Le Neve's list.

⁴²S.B.M. 2385.

ARCHDEACONS OF NOTTINGHAM.

3298. W⁴³ 3-2, Spec. 16; A.D. 1248.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". A tonsured figure, in a dalmatic and maniple
over left wrist, standing and holding a book to breast with both
hands (Durham Seals, 61):

SIGILL NOTING

3299. WILLIAM OF PICKERING⁴⁴ Misc. 4036; 4724; A.D. 1290.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated, holding
the child Christ. On the dexter side is St. Paul; on the sinister,
St. Peter. Beneath is a kneeling figure praying:

WILLI DE PI NOTINGHA.

3300. NOTTINGHAM, OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF 3-5, Ebor
18; A.D. 1383.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". A male bust, above it the hand of God blessing,
in front of head a crescent, behind it a star:

✠ S' OFFICIALITATIS NOTINGHAMIE

ARCHDEACONS OF RICHMOND.

3301. MORGAN⁴⁵ 2-4, Ebor. 9.
Oval, very imperfect, the remnant shows the lower part of a standing
figure apparently wearing a dalmatic:

. APREP

3302. ROGER OF ST. EDMUND'S⁴⁶ 2-4, Ebor. 8.
Oval, imperfect, a standing figure wearing alb and dalmatic and

⁴³ Probably William of Bodeham, who held the office in A.D. 1224. (L.N. III, 150). He witnesses a charter at York on St. Matthew's Day, 1249 (Gray's Register, S.S. 56, 261n.).

⁴⁴ He received collation of the office 12th March, 1290, and became dean of York in A.D. 1310. (L.N. III, 150). For the very interesting process of his election to the deanery see Hist. Ch. York, III, 227. In Romeyn's Register (S.S. 123, p. 76), he is styled archdeacon in a mandate of 25th October, 1287. For his other offices, and preferments, see that Register *passim*. For his parentage, see second part of the same Register (S.S. 128), p. 209, note 1.

⁴⁵ The deed is about mid. twelfth century date. Morgan does not appear in Le Neve's List. See 'Memorials of Fountains Abbey' (S.S. 42, p. 165, note 1).

⁴⁶ A.D. 1198-1206. (L.N. III, 136). He was nominated to the office by the king, A.D. 1198. For the dispute between him and Honorius, a clerk of archbishop Geoffrey, whom the archbishop had nominated to the same office, see Roger of Hoveden (Rolls Series, vol. IV, pp. 52, 89 and *passim*).

with maniple over his left wrist, holding a book to his breast with both hands :

..... SCO EDMV

3303. SIMON OF EVESHAM⁴⁷ 2-2, Archiep. 2 ; A.D. 1265.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. A nimbed and robed half figure of St. Peter holding a key in his right hand and a book in his left. Beneath, under a semi-circular arch, is a demi-figure of Simon tonsured and wearing amice, alb and surplice, holding a book to his breast. Above his head, round the inside of arch, is—ME REGE PETRO PRECOR (Durham Seals, 61) :

S' SIMONIS . ARCHIDIACONI RICHEMVDI.

3304. HENRY OF WALTON⁴⁸ 2-4, Ebor. 21.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}'' (?) \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a canopied niche. She holds the Christ child on her right arm, and at her left side is a lily in flower. On her dexter in a smaller niche is a demi-figure of St. Peter holding a key, on her sinister in a like niche is a demi-figure of St. Paul holding a sword. Beneath St. Peter is a shield of arms, England with a label of Lancaster, beneath St. Paul a shield, England over all a baston. The lower part of seal is broken away (Durham Seals, 61) :

..... rici : de : walton : ar ni : riche mundie

⁴⁷ A.D. 1262-1272. (L.N. III, 137). For account of his life, and preferments, see Gray's Register (S.S. 56, 100.).

⁴⁸ A.D. 1349-1359. (L.N. III, 138). He was presented to the living of Preston-in-Amounderness by Henry, earl of Lancaster, and was instituted to the rectory on 24th September, 1348, by John Gynewell, then vicar-general in spiritualities *archidiaconatu vacante*. He obtained the archdeaconry, by papal provision, on the death of Jean-Raymond de Comminges, cardinal bishop of Porto, in 1348. Archbishop de la Zouche issued his mandate for Walton's installation, 18th July, 1349 (Reg. Zouche, f. 75). He held canonries and prebends in Lincoln, Salisbury, Exeter, Wells, Chichester and York (Cai. Pap. III, 478, 542). His name is probably from Walton-le-Dale near Preston. The shield on the dexter is that borne by Thomas, earl of Lancaster, beheaded A.D. 1322 ; that on the sinister is the shield carried by his brother Henry, before his creation as earl of Lancaster in 1324, blazoned England with a baston azure, after that date he bore the dexter shield (England with a label of France). The dexter shield of Lancaster was also that of his son Henry called 'of Grosmont,' earl of Lancaster 1345, created duke of Lancaster 1352, died 1361. Walton was a devoted servant of the House of Lancaster and owed his preferments largely to their influence. He symbolises this connexion and expresses his devotion and gratitude by the use of these shields.

3305. RICHMOND,⁴⁹ OFFICIALITY OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . . 2-4, Ebor.
 39 ; A.D. 1355.
 Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 1". St. Peter seated under a canopy ; four stars on
 each side of him. Beneath is a demi-figure praying :
 OFFICIALITATIS DIE
3306. RICHMOND,⁵⁰ VICAR GENERAL OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . . 2-4, Ebor.
 18 ; A.D. 1347.
 Oval, 2" \times ? (imperfect). St. Peter and St. Paul standing beneath
 a canopy. Above them is a shield of the arms of England and
 beneath them a figure praying :
 CHIDIACONI
3307. RICHMOND,⁵¹ VICAR IN SPIRITUALITIES OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . .
 Misc. 6866 ; A.D. 1485.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Imperfect and poor impression, a standing figure
 to whom another figure kneels :
 LEGEND DESTROYED.
3308. WEST RIDING,⁵² OFFICIAL OF THE ARCHDEACON OF . . . 4-3, Ebor. 9.
 Oval, very imperfect, a standing figure, his right hand raised.
 LEGEND DESTROYED.
3309. AMOUNDERNESS, RURAL DEANERY OF,⁵³ . . . 2-4, Ebor. 34 ; A.D.
 1362.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $\frac{1}{8}$ ". A fish between two fleur de lys :
 ✠ S' DECANATVS AMVNDERNESIE

⁴⁹ Used by John of 'Totyngton,' rector of Elveden, styled official and commissary of Sir Henry of Walton, archdeacon of Richmond.

⁵⁰ Used by John of Craven, canon of the church of St. John, Chester, vicar general at the visitation of the archdeaconry for the lord John 'cardinal bishop *Portuensis*' (Porto), archdeacon of Richmond. Le Neve (III, 138), calls the cardinal John of Gineswell, A.D. 1346-1349. For explanation of this error see 'Register of John Gynewell, bishop of Lincoln,' *Arch. Journal*, LXVIII, p. 306.

⁵¹ Used by Thomas Pereson, vicar in spiritualities of the archdeacon of Richmond. He was sub-dean of York 1484-90 (L.N. III, 129).

⁵² Used by master Alexander, official of the archdeacon of the West Riding.

⁵³ I have classified the deans of cathedral or collegiate chapters with rural deans but they are quite distinct officials. I am indebted to Mr. A. Hamilton Thompson, F.S.A. for the following note on their different status :—" Both are in the beginning arch-priests,

3310. AMOUNDERNESS, RURAL DEANERY OF . Loc. XVI, 12h ; A.D. 1464.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times ?$ (imperfect). A fish, on the dexter side is a . . . ? :

* s' dec amond.

3311. CHESTER-LE-STREET,^{58a} DEAN OF . . . Misc. 4246 ; A.D. 1323.
Oval, $1'' \times \frac{1}{8}''$. Our Lady, holding the child Christ standing. A

kneeling figure prays to them. Over him on a scroll is Cor' :

. . . ONIS SATT

but one is the arch-priest of a single church, while the other is the arch-priest of a 'Christianity' composed of the parishioners of a group of Churches. The dean of a church is the president of a corporation, elected by the corporation in a large number of cases, confirmed by the diocesan, and installed by the senior officer of the chapter or by the sub-dean. The dean of a Christianity is merely the disciplinary officer in charge of a number of individual churches, subordinate to the archdeacon, appointed by him (although the appointment seems gradually to have lapsed to the bishop) and removable at his will. Deans of Christianities were originally urban—such urban deaneries still remain with the name of Christianity at Exeter, Leicester and Lincoln—with jurisdiction over the parishes of episcopal cities ; but, as parishes grew up in the country, new Christianities were formed and became known as rural deaneries, generally corresponding roughly to the local civil divisions. The difference between deans of the first type and rural deans is strongly emphasised in the constitution *Vas electionis* of Benedict XII (1336), which set a maximum limit to the money value of the daily procurations exacted by ecclesiastics on visitation. This expressly classifies deans of churches in the same category with archdeacons, placing rural deans, 'who in some districts are called arch-priests,' in a lower category by themselves.* Thus the dean of York, visiting in person the churches in the city and diocese which belonged to the liberty of St. Peter, might exact procurations at a maximum of 50*l.* silver Tournois a day ; and this was also the maximum which the archdeacon of York was allowed to charge while visiting his churches. The dean of the Christianity of York, on the other hand, could exact a maximum only of 10*l.* silver Tournois (*i.e.* $\frac{5}{8}$ of a gold florin, to which went 12 *livres Tournois*). This illustrates the difference between two offices which, though their holders bore similar titles, were really quite distinct, the dean proper being an important member of the superior clergy, while the rural deans were the presidents of the ordinary clergy."

* Illud quoque, quod de archidiaconis superius duximus ordinandum, locum habere volumus etiam in decanis, praepositis aliisque personis ecclesiasticis superius non expressis quibus visitationis officium et procurationis receptio ex privilegio sedis apostolicae, vel de jure seu consuetudine competere dignoscuntur, decanis ruralibus duntaxat exceptis, qui in aliquibus regionibus archipresbyteri nominantur, circa quos in receptione huiusmodi procurationis ed, quod supra statutum est de aliis archipresbyteris, volumus observari (*Corpus Juris Canonici*, ed. Friedberg and Richter, Leipzig, 1881, II, 1282, col. 2).

^{58a} Used by Robert of Kytheley, styled dean of the church of Chester (H.D. II, 389*n* ; S.D. II, 144).

3312. CHESTER-LE-STREET,⁵⁴ DEAN OF . . . Misc. 4246; A.D. 1343.
Oval, $\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, a standing figure:

✠ IESVS . . . AMOR MEVS

3313. CORBRIDGE,⁵⁵ RURAL DEAN OF . . . Loc. XIX, 47; A.D. 1314.
Oval, very imperfect, a plant growing from a vase on the edge of which two birds are sitting drinking out of it, above on a branch on each side sits a bird:

. SETA

3314. DARLINGTON, DEAN OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . Loc. XIX, 104,
120; A.D. 1335; 1343.
Oval, $\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". A figure standing in front of an altar on which is a chalice.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3315. DURHAM,⁵⁶ DEANERY OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . . Misc. 3556,
4058, 4325, 4354, 4186, 4198, 4210, 4325*, 5060, 4809; A.D.
1292, 5072; A.D. 1321; 5088, 3-4. Spec. 21; A.D. 1325-42.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". A half figure of St. Cuthbert, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier, standing in an upper niche; beneath in a lower niche is a tonsured figure praying:

S' DECANAT' DVNELMIE.

3316. DURHAM,⁵⁷ DEAN OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . . . Misc. 2304.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". A chalice:

. AT' DECAN: DVN . . .

3317. DURHAM,⁵⁸ DEAN OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . Loc. XVI, 14; A.D.
1483; Loc. IX, 68.

Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}$ " \times 1". St. Cuthbert standing in mass vestments, his right hand blessing, his left holding St. Oswald's head to his breast:

SIGILLVM . DECANI . DVNELMIE.

⁵⁴ Used by Roger of Gilling, styled dean of Chester, sub-collector. He was official of the bishop of Durham (H.D. II, 389n.; S.D. II, 144).

⁵⁵ Used by the rural dean of Corbridge and called *sigillum quo utor in officio*.

⁵⁶ Used in A.D. 1325 by Henry, rector of St. Mary's in the South Bailey, Durham. St. Mary the Less; for list of rectors see H.D. II, 291, and S.D. IV, II, p. 45. In 1342 it is used by Thomas of Foxden, chaplain. Both are styled deans of the Christianity.

⁵⁷ The seal of Patrick, styled vicar of St. Oswald's, Durham. See H.D. II, 308, and for list of vicars, *ibid.* 312 and S.D. IV, II, 82.

⁵⁸ This is called in the charter, the seal of the official of the archdeacon of the prior of Durham, used within the county of Northumberland.

3318. HERTHILL, RURAL DEAN OF ^{58a} Misc. 4426; A.D. 1269.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}" \times \frac{3}{4}"$. St. John Baptist standing, holding the Holy Lamb
within a circle, a kneeling figure prays to him:

✠ BAPTISTA T MEMOR ESTO

3319. HERTHILL, RURAL DEANERY OF Misc. 3710; A.D. 1324.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}" \times \frac{7}{8}"$. St. John Baptist ⁵⁹ standing holding the Holy
Lamb in his right hand. Beneath the Lamb is the head of a hart:
. . . . ANATVS. DE. HERTHIL

3320. LINCOLN, ⁶⁰ ROGER DEAN OF 4-3, Ebor. II.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$. A standing tonsured figure of Roger wearing a
chasuble and alb, his hands raised (Durham Seals, 61):

ROGERVS LINCOLNIEN . . . ECCLESIE DECANVS

3321. LINCOLN, JOHN CONSTABLE ⁶¹ DEAN OF . . . 3 3, Ebor. 46; A.D.
1526.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}" \times 1\frac{1}{8}"$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated in a niche
of rich tabernacle work with the child Christ on her knee and a
sceptre in her left hand. Beneath is a shield of arms quarterly
(Gules) and vair a bend (gold) over all (Durham Seals, 61):

sig' ioh' is constable decani ecclie lincoln.

3322. LINCOLN, JOHN TALBOT ^{61a} SUB DEAN OF . . . 3 3, Ebor. 46; A.D.
1526.

Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}" \times 1"$. A church:

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3323. LONDON, RALPH, ⁶² DEAN OF . Misc. 4318; A.D. 1300; 4159,
4160; A.D. 1301; 4266, 4302; A.D. 1301; 4318, 4641.

^{58a} The rural deanery of Harthill in the archdeaconry of the East Riding.

⁵⁹ The Baptist is depicted clad in beast's skins.

⁶⁰ Roger, of Weseham, A.D. 1239-1245. (L.N. II, 30). In the latter year he was
elected bishop of Coventry and Lichfield.

⁶¹ He was archdeacon of Huntingdon, A.D. 1512-14. (L.N. II, 52). Dean of Lincoln,
A.D. 1514-28. (L.N. II, 34). He was also prebendary of Dunholme in Lincoln 1494-
1503; of Caistor 1503-28, and chancellor of Lincoln 1508-12. (L.N. II, 145, 127, 90).
For his shield see *Arch. Ael.* N.S. III, 249; S.B.M. 1812.

^{61a} He had collation of the subdeanery 26th June, 1523, and resigned before 26th
March, 1535 (Lincoln Reg. xxvi, f. 5 and 21).

⁶² Ralph, of Baldock, archdeacon of Middlesex 1276-94. (L.N. II, 326); dean of
London A.D. 1294-1304; in the latter year he became bishop of London. (L.N. II, 310).
For a sketch of his life see Hennessy *Novum Repertorium*, note a, 47.

- Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times (?) imperfect. St. Paul seated holding sword in right hand and a book in his left :
 . . . VLFI : DECANVS : S
3324. NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, DEANERY OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . . .
 Loc. XIX, 94 ; A.D. 1343.
 Oval, very imperfect, a tower :
 S' DE . . NAT
3325. NORTHUMBERLAND BEYOND COQUET, WILLIAM,⁶⁸ RURAL DEAN OF
 1-2, Spec. 14 ; A.D. 1234.
 Oval, 1" \times ". Antique gem, a lion :
 ✠ SIGILL : W : M : LL : I :
3326. NOTTINGHAM, DEAN OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . . 2-4, Ebor 26 ;
 I Innocent IV ; A.D. 1243.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " \times ". A fleur de lys :
 . . . : DECANI DE NOTIN
3327. OXFORD,^{68a} DEAN OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . . 1-5, Ebor. 15, 16 ;
 A.D. 1325.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". A winged bull :
 ✠ SIGILL' * DECANI * OXON'E
3328. RIDALE,^{68b} ELIAS RURAL DEAN OF 3-2, Spec. 13.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". An eagle:
 SIGILL . HELIE . DE CAH
3329. SCARSDALE,^{68c} DEANERY OF THE CHRISTIANITY OF . . 1-1, Spec. 72,
 73, 74 ; A.D. 1431.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". St. John Baptist standing holding the Holy Lamb :
 ✠ S' DECANAT' XPIANITATIS D' SCARDES DAL'

⁶⁸ Styled William, chaplain of Bamburgh, dean of Northumberland beyond 'Choket' (Coquet).

^{68a} Engraved plate I, 'Some Durham College Rolls,' by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston.

^{68b} Ryedale in the archdeaconry of Cleveland.

^{68c} The rural deanery of Scarsdale in the archdeaconry of Derby, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield.

3330. STAFFORD, BOUGES DE CLARE⁶⁴ DEAN OF . 4-I, Ebor. 3; Misc.

4100a, 4744; A.D. 1283-84.

Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. The Annunciation, Gabriel holds a scroll on which are the words AVE MA'. Beneath is a demi figure praying:

S' BOGONIS DE CLARE DE AFFORD

Secretum Misc. 4100a, 4744. . .

Round, $\frac{3}{4}''$. Antique gem, a man on horseback:

✕ ME CUS: E A

3331. WELLS, JOHN OF GODELEGH^{64a} DEAN OF . Misc. (?); A.D. 1307.

Oval, $1'' \times 1''$. St. Andrew on his cross, beneath is a demi figure praying:

S' IO DE EYE DECANI WELLI . .

3332. YORK, SIMON,⁶⁵ DEAN OF 3-2, Ebor. 16.

Oval, $2'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. A figure standing, both hands raised:

✕ SIGILLVM IS . DECANI . EBORACENSIS

⁶⁴ Styled chaplain of the pope and dean of Stafford. He was the son of Richard de Clare, earl of Gloucester and Hertford, and of his second wife Maud Lacy, daughter of John, earl of Lincoln. He was treasurer of York, *circa*, A.D. 1274-1285 (L.N. III, 159) and held many prebends and churches in that diocese. For list of them see Romeyn's Register, S.S. 123, p. 397, and Giffard's Register, S.S. 109, p. ix. Also V.C.H. Yorks, III, 33. For his neglect of his duty see Wickwane's Register, S.S. 114, p. 286. He was the most notorious pluralist of the thirteenth century. He died A.D. 1294. The 'Chronicon de Lanercost' describes him as 'a seculo solemniss. nomine sed non conversatione' and a man who held numberless churches and had governed them badly a courtier who cared nothing for holy orders, he strangled the cure of souls and wastefully spent the incomes of his churches (nam curialis exercens ordines non curavit curam animarum exsufflav. proventus ecclesiarum dilapidavit), (Bannatyne Club, ed. 1839). For his name see 'The Complete Peerage,' by G.E. C. ed. Vicary Gibbs, III, 605-6 and *note b*.

^{64a} A.D. 1305-1331-2. (L.N. I, 150). He was elected bishop of Exeter in 1327 (Cal. Pat. 1327-30, p. 147) but the pope provided the see to John Graunson, archdeacon of Nottingham, who was consecrated at Avignon, 18th October, 1327 (Stubbs, *Reg. Sac. Ang.* 73). Godelegh remained dean of Wells till his death. He was archdeacon of Lewes in 1305 (L.N. I, 262), prebendary of Stillington in York (L.N. III, 212), and also held a prebend in Hastings castle chapel (Cal. Pat. 1330-4, p. 279). The cathedral church of Wells is dedicated to St. Andrew, hence the device of seal.

⁶⁵ Simon of Apulia, A.D. 1194-1214. He became bishop of Exeter in the latter year (L.N. III, 120). Died September 9th, 1223 (Reg. Sac. Angl. 54).

3333. YORK, ROBERT⁶⁶ DEAN OF Misc. 5082 ; A.D. 1323.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times ? (imperfect). Our Lady and Christ :

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3334. YORK, ROBERT⁶⁷ DEAN OF . 2-1, Arch. Dunelm. 9 ; A.D. 1324 ;
1-1, Arch. Dunelm. 5 ; A.D. 1323.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{7}{8}$ ". Above in a crocketed and buttressed niche with canopy is a robed demi figure of our Lady holding the child Christ on her left arm. Below are two niches with side shafts and canopies. In the dexter one is St. Peter as Pope in pontificals and pali and wearing the tiara, his right hand is blessing, his left holds two keys ; in the sinister one is St. Paul robed and holding a sword in his right hand and a book in his left. Beneath under a pointed arch is a demi figure of Robert in surplice (?) and hood praying (Durham Seals, 61) :

S' ROBERTI : DECANI . EBORACEN : ECCL'IE

3335. YORK, WILLIAM FELTER⁶⁸ DEAN OF . 2-3, Archiep. 3 ; A.D. 1441.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". In canopied niches of rich tabernacle work are two figures, the dexter St. Peter, the sinister St. Paul. Beneath is a tonsured demi figure of the dean in surplice and almuce praying. On his dexter side is a shield of arms France and England quarterly, on the sinister side a like shield bearing a key, and a sword placed saltireways (Durham Seals, 61) :

. . . felter decani ecclesie cathedralis . ora . . .

3336. EXETER, JOHN TREASURER OF⁶⁹ . 1-3, Post. 9 ; A.D. 1174 ;
2-2 Spec. 2.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". Antique gem a male head :

✠ SECRETVM . MEVM TIBI.

⁶⁶ This seal is very imperfect, but I think it is the same seal as the next, no. 3334.

⁶⁷ Robert Pickering, archdeacon of Northumberland, elected dean A.D. 1312 ; died 1332 (L.N. III, 122), S.B.M. 2379. See also Romeyn's Register, S.S. 123, *passim*. For account of his election and renunciation in favour of his brother William see Hist. Ch. York. III, 227.

⁶⁸ He was archdeacon of York A.D. 1435 ; dean A.D. 1436-1451 (L.N. III, 125). The sinister shield bearing the emblems of SS. Peter and Paul, saltireways, presumably for the church of York, is I think unique. The arms of the see, two keys saltireways with the tiara in chief, appear on seals nos. 3235, 3238, 3245 in this catalogue. For account of his life and preferments see "Miscellanea" (S.S. 127, p. 294).

⁶⁹ Called John of Exeter ; *circa*, A.D. 1174-1186 (L.N. I, 414).

3337. HOWDEN, CANONS OF ⁷⁰ 4-I, Ebor. 34; A.D. 1265.
 (1) Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. An eagle with nimbus, holding a scroll on which is I. P. EV. :
 ✕ ADIVVET V : IOHES DE TON.
 (2) Oval, $\frac{5}{8}'' \times \frac{1}{2}''$. Antique gem, a male head :
 ✕ SECRETVM RICARDI
 (3) Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Demi figure of our Lady and Christ, beneath is a demi figure praying :
 ✕ S' GALFRIDI : DE : FORSET
 (4) Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Demi figures of our Lady and Christ :
 ✕ HVGONIS : NATI : GENETRIX : MEMOR : ESTO : BEATI
 (5) Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. St. John Baptist standing holding the Holy Lamb. A kneeling figure prays to him :
 ✕ VT CAREAS . E . SIGNA IOHIS HABE
 3338. HOWDEN,⁷¹ CHAPTER OF 4 I; Ebor. 50; A.D. 1405.
 Oval, $2'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. St. Peter seated in a canopied niche, his right hand blessing :
 S' COMMVNE CANONIC V' ECCL'E : D'HOVEDEN
 3339. LANCHESTER,^{71a} CANONS OF 2-4, Ebor. 28.
 (1) Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Antique gem a male head :
 ✕ SIGILL ROGERI . DE . IRE

⁷⁰ No. 1 is the seal of Master John of Methleton, no. 2 that of Sir Richard of Middleton, rector of Hemingburgh (Giffard's Reg. p. 57; S.S. 109), no. 3 that of Master Geoffrey of Forset (Wickwane's Reg. p. 232; S.S. 114), no. 4 that of Hugh of Evesham, afterwards (A.D. 1281-87) cardinal of St. Lawrence in Lucina ('Trésor de Chronologie,' p. 2234). He held the living of Welton, which he resigned in 1272, and Hemingburgh, to which he was thereupon presented. Both livings were in the presentation of the prior and convent of Durham and in the spirituality of Howden (Giffard's Reg. 57, 58; S.S. 109). He was archdeacon of Worcester A.D. 1275 (L.N. III, 74); canon of York A.D. 1279 (L.N. III, 178); physician to pope Martin IV A.D. 1280. (See also Dict. Nat. Biog. xviii, 90).

⁷¹ In the East Riding, about 20 miles west of Kingston upon Hull. The manor belonged to the bishopric of Durham and the bishops had a palace there. The presentations to the prebends and other benefices in the spirituality belonged to the prior and convent of Durham, not to the bishop. The church was made collegiate in 1265; see *Yorks. Arch. Jour.* xxii, p. 168.

^{71a} See H.D. II, 355; S.D. II, 309.

- (2) Oval, $1'' \times \frac{5}{8}''$. A fleur de lys :

✠ SIGILL

- (3) Oval, imperfect. A bird with raised wings :

LEGEND DESTROYED.

- (4) Oval, imperfect. A fleur de lys.

- (5) Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. A floriated device :

SI . RIC

- (6) Round, imperfect. A fleur de lys :

. GAIRSTAG

- (7) Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Very imperfect and undecipherable :

- (8) Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. An indeterminate device :

. LEGIO

- (9) Oval, imperfect. A male head :

. ILLVD SECRE

- (10) Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. A fish.

✠ SIGILL HENRICI . P . . SON .

- (11) Round, $1''$. A fleur de lys :

LEGEND DESTROYED.

- (12) Oval, $1'' \times ''$. A fleur de lys :

✠ SIG

- (13) Oval, imperfect. A fleur de lys :

. CTRED D . PE

- (14) Oval, $1'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. An eagle flying :

✠ SIGILL ROBERTI CLICI DE . LAR

3340. LINCOLN, CHAPTER OF 2-5, Ebor. 14 ; A.D. 1388.

Oval, $3'' \times 2''$. Our Lady robed and crowned, seated on a throne holding the child Christ on her left knee and a lily in her right hand :

SIGILLVM CAPITVLI SANCTE MARIE LINCOLNIENSIS
ECCLESIE

Secretum, oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. The Annunciation, a dove above :

✠ AVE : MARIA : GRACIE : PLENA : DOMINVS : TECVM

3341. LINCOLN, CANON OF Misc., 5017; A.D. 1373.
see no. 585 Richard of Chesterfield.^{71b}
- 3341a. LONDON, CHAPTER OF ST. PAUL'S⁷² [G]
Round, 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ ". A nimbed and robed figure of St. Paul standing on
a church holding an open book in his left hand; his right hand
blessing. On each side are three tonsured figures appealing to
him with outstretched hands:
SIGILLVM CAPITVLI SANCTI [PAVLI LVNDONIE]
3342. RIPON, CHAPTER OF 3-1, Sacr. 3, 5.
Oval, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 2". The Holy Lamb, with banner, standing on an altar:
✠ SIGILLVM S'ANTI WILFRIDI RIPENSIS ECLESIE
3343. STODLEY,⁷³ THE PRECENTOR OF 2-4, Ebor. 13; A.D. 1274.
Oval, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times ? (imperfect). A church:
IESVS. EST. OR. MEVS.
3344. SURREY, OFFICIALITY OF 3-2, Elemos. 5.
Oval, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". A figure in a short habit and close fitting cap,
standing, holding a scroll in his left hand to which he points
with his right (Durham Seals, 62):
* S' OFFICIALITATIS SVRREYEE
3345. SOUTHWELL, ELIAS OF COUTON,⁷⁴ CANON OF Misc. 4922; A.D.
1302.

^{71b} He was a king's clerk and in 1366 under treasurer of the exchequer. He was rector of Brancepeth 1362-63 (Cal. Pat. 1361-64, p. 280), prebendary of Bishop's Norton in Lincoln, 1363 (*ibid.* p. 351). In 1360-1 he was rector of Flintham, Notts (which he probably resigned on obtaining Brancepeth) and in the same year he had provision of a canonry in St. Paul's (Cal. Pap. Pet. 1, 363). In 1365 he exchanged this prebend for Oxtun and Cropwell in Southwell (Reg. Thoresby f. 59d), which he again exchanged in 1368 for the prebend of St. Peter's altar in Beverley (Reg. Thoresby, f. 66d) and probably for a prebend in St. Stephen's, Westminster. At his death in 1404 he held his Lincoln and Southwell prebends and probably that in Beverley (L.N. II, 194; III, 438). For the custom of rewarding clerical officials by grants of church dignities see 'The English Civil Service in the 14th Century,' by Professor Tout (Manchester University Press).

⁷² Temp. Hugo de Marinis, dean A.D. 1160-1181; S.B.M. 1963.

⁷³ He is styled precentor of 'Stodleye.' Probably he filled this monastic office in the house of Austin Canons at Studley, Warwick.

⁷⁴ He had collation of the prebend of Norwell Overhall in the collegiate church of St. Mary, Southwell, A.D. 1293; died A.D. 1329 (L.N. III, 437).

- Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Antique gem, a naked figure seated :
 VERITAS . IN . ME . EST
3346. WELLS, RALPH BERNERS CANON OF . . . 2-5, Ebor. 3; 4 5, Ebor.
 4, 5.
 Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$. Our Lady and Christ seated in a canopied niche.
 On the dexter side is a star, on the sinister a crescent :
 S : RADVLPHI . BERNERS LEGVM : DOCTORIS
3347. YORKS, CANONS OF 1-1, Ebor. 7.
 (1) Oval, imperfect. An eagle with raised wings :
 SIGILL' WILL'
 (2) Oval, $1'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. Antique gem, a seated figure :
 ✕ SIGILLVM . . . CRETIV
 (3) Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. A conventional branch :
 ✕ CINIS SV INEM . REVTE.
 (4) Oval. A fragment only left :
 DVCE PETROQ
 (5) A fragment ;
3348. YORK, CANON OF THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER . . 3-6, Pont. 9 ;
 A.D. 1325.
 See nos. 1-904 ; Richard of Eryum.
3349. YORK, REINALD ARUNDEL⁷⁵ PRECENTOR OF . . 2-1, Ebor. 8 ;
 A.D. 1199.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1''$. An eagle with raised wings :
 REINALDI ARVNDEL
3350. YORK, HUGH OF CANTILUPE⁷⁶ PRECENTOR OF . . 2 2, Archiep. 2.
 Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. Our Lord seated in glory, between the pinnacles

⁷⁵ He resigned the office A.D. 1213 (L.N. III, 154). In the deed his name is Latinized "Reginaldus."

⁷⁶ *Circa* A.D. 1264. He was archdeacon of Gloucester A.D. 1256-84 (L.N. III, 77) ; precentor of York (Reg. Giffard, S.S. 109, p. 134) ; canon of York of the prebend of Ulself (*ibid.* 134). He was probably the brother of Thomas of Cantilupe, bishop of Hereford and lord chancellor (Gray's Register, S.S. 56, 99n.). He died A.D. 1284-5. See also L.N. III, 154. There is a pedigree of the family in Lipscombe's 'History of Buckinghamshire,' I, 176 ; and in Dugdale's 'Antiquities of Warwickshire,' 661, 833 ;

of a church and beneath a crocketed canopy. To him our Lady robed and crowned kneels (? The Coronation of the Virgin). Beneath, under a trefoiled arch on the dexter is a demi figure of St. Paul with sword, on the sinister a demi figure of St. Peter with keys. Below is a tonsured demi figure of Hugh praying to the dexter. In front of him is a shield of arms, three fleurs de lys (Durham Seals, 61) :

SIGILL' MAG'RI . HVGONIS . DE . CANTILVPO

3351. YORK, PRECENTOR OF ⁷⁷ 3-1, Spec. 64.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a standing figure :

✠ FRANCE TEGE

- 3351a. YORK, PRECENTOR OF . . . see no. 696 ; WM. DE LA CORNERE ^{77a} :

3352. YORK, SIMON, ⁷⁸ CHANCELLOR OF THE CHURCH OF . . . 4-16, Spec. 25 ;
A.D. 1365.

also in vol. III of 'The Complete Peerage,' by G.E.C. p. 111, edited by Vicary Gibbs. In none of these is Hugh named. The shield in base shows the early form of the charges as they are blasoned for William de Cantelowe in Glover's roll of Henry III, '*de goules a trois fleurs delices d'or.*' This early simplicity was soon changed into the flowers issuing out of leopards' heads as blasoned for 'S^r John Cantelu,' at the battle of Falkirk, '*d'azure iii fleurs de lyz d'or cressaunz hors de la teste du lepard d'or.*' Sir William of Ravensthorpe differenced this shield by a fess vair and at Caerlaverock he bore :—

'Fesse vaire ot el rouge escu
De trois flours de lis de or espars
Naissans de testes de lupars.'

How this curious alteration arose is not known. It may have come about accidentally through some misdrawing of the centre part of the flower, or it may be a canting charge ("testes de lupars"), or it may have been assumed as a difference or to note some feudal alliance. The arms of the see of Hereford *gules three fleurs de lis issuing out of leopard's heads reversed gold* were adopted from the shield of Thomas Cantilupe, bishop 1275-1282.

⁷⁷ Used by Master G, styled precentor of the church of York. Probably Geoffrey of Norwich, who held the office A.D. 1220-28, and who was dean from *circa* 1235-40. See L.N. III, 154 ; and Gray's Register, S.S. 56, 41n.

^{77a} He was a canon of York, prebend of Barnby ; in 1264 he had provision of a canonry and prebend (Highworth) of Salisbury (Giffard's Register, S.S. 109, 94n. ; Jones, Fasti. Ecc. Sar. p. 391). In 1283 he had collation of the precentorship of York (Wickwane's Register, S.S. 114, p. 332). He was bishop of Salisbury 1289 (L.N. II, 598), and died 14th August, 1291 (Reg. Sacr. Angl. p. 67).

⁷⁸ Simon of Beckingham had collation of the precentorship 26th August, 1349 (Reg. Zouche, f. 230d) of the chancellorship, 17th November, following (*ibid.* f. 232). He died before 20th September, 1369 (L.N. III, 154, 164 ; Reg. Thoresby, f. 67d). The blason of the shield is unknown.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. St. Peter as Pope in full pontificals enthroned and blessing. A key in his left hand. Beneath is a shield of arms three engrailed saltires. On the dexter side of shield is S.; on sinister B (Durham Seals, 61):

SIGILLVM CANCELLARII ECCLESIE : EBORACENS.

3353. YORK, CHANCERY OF THE CHURCH OF . . . 2-2, Ebor. 11; A.D. 1415.
Oval, $2'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. St. Peter seated, blessing. Beneath is a figure praying:

✠ SIGILLVM CANCELLARIE ECCLESIE : EBORACENSIS.

3354. YORK, TREASURER ⁷⁹ OF 3-2, Spec. 16.
Oval, very imperfect. Antique gem, two figures, one with a sword, attacking the other who holds a shield:

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3355. YORK, ———(?) ⁸⁰ OF 3-1, Spec. 64.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. Antique gem, a vase:

. . . EDE

3356. YORK, CHAPTER OF ⁸¹ . . . 4-1, Archiep. 4; A.D. 1279; 2-2, Archiep. 2, 3, 3-5; Ebor. 9; A.D. 1388; 3-1, Ebor. 1; A.D. 1267; 3-1, Archiep. 1; 1-3, Archiep. 5.

✓ Oval, $3\frac{1}{8}'' \times 2''$. St. Peter vested in alb, chasuble, maniple, and round topped mitre, standing adverse holding key (?) in his right hand and a church in his left:

✠ SIGILLVM CAPITVLI SANCTI PETRI EBORACENSIS

3357. YORK, CHAPTER OF 1-1, Archiep. 10.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times ''$, imperfect. A nimbed figure seated holding a book.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

⁷⁹ Styled 'H,' treasurer of York. Probably Hamo, who held this office *circa* A.D. 1204-1216 (L.N. III, 158). Hamo the chanter, *i.e.* precentor, witnesses a twelfth century deed printed in Gray's Register (56, S.S. 70n.). See L.N. III, 153, where it appears that he was precentor c. 1155-95. If he is the same man as Hamo the treasurer he must have become precentor when quite young. The question arises whether Hamo the treasurer was not the son of Hamo the precentor, or whether before becoming treasurer he may not have succeeded his father as precentor.

⁸⁰ One of the officers of the church, but the word is very indistinct and I cannot read it.

⁸¹ S.B.M. 2370.

3358. YORK, CHAPTER OF (SÉAL *ad. citaciones*) . . . 1-1, Archiep. 11, 20;
4-1, Archiep. 4b; A.D. 1279; 2-2, Archiep. 4, 5; A.D. 1299;
1-3, Archiep. 2, 3.

Oval, 3" \times 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ ". St. Peter standing holding keys in right hand and book in left:

✠ SIGILL' CAPITVLI : SCI PETRI : EBORACENSIS AD
CITACIONES : TANTVM

3359. YORK, COURT OF (*sede vacante*) . . . 1-1, Ebor. 11; A.D. 1342.

Oval, 2" \times 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ ". St. Peter, nimbed and holding keys in his right hand and a book in his left, standing in waves of the sea in which a fish swims. In the field, on the dexter, is a crescent, on the sinister above St. Peter's shoulder is a star⁸²:

✠ S' CVRIE : EBORACENSIS : VACANTE : SEDE

3360. YORK, CHAPTER OF ('*sede vacante*) . . . 4-1, Ebor. 42; A.D. 1423.

Oval, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". St. Peter standing holding keys in his right hand. The field of the seal is powdered with roses:

SIGI CCLIE . E SEDE . VACANTE

3361. ALVERTON ROBERT^{82a} VICAR OF 1-1, Ebor. 6, 14.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a male head:

✠ OPORTET FIERI

3362. BEAUREPAIRE,⁸³ ROBERT, CHAPLAIN OF . Misc. 4051b, 4088a;
A.D. 1312-14.

Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, two figures, a pillar between them:

✠ DEV . TIME : E . . . A NATA . EI : SVA . . .

3363. DALTON, WILLIAM,⁸⁴ PERPETUAL VICAR OF . Misc. 3884; A.D. 1318.

⁸² St. Peter walking in the sea. S.B.M. 2353.

^{82a} Now Northallerton. Robert was vicar in 1231. This charter is printed in Gray's Register, p. 177 (S.S. no. 56).

⁸³ Now Bearpark near Durham. For a delightful account of this manor of the prior of Durham (his "summer residence") see *Arch. Ael.* 3rd ser. xiii, p. 109; S.D. 11, 372.

⁸⁴ Styled one of the executors of Sir John, vicar of Pitlington. For Dalton, see S.D. 1, 3, and H.D. 11, 574; for Pitlington, S.D. 1, 117; and H.D. 11, 583.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Our Lady with Christ, beneath is a praying figure, on dexter side is a star, on the sinister on a scroll : MARIA :

* MATER : DIE : MEMENTO : MEI

3364. DURHAM, RECTOR⁸⁵ OF ST. MARY'S IN THE NORTH BAILEY . Misc.
4198 ; A.D. 1325.

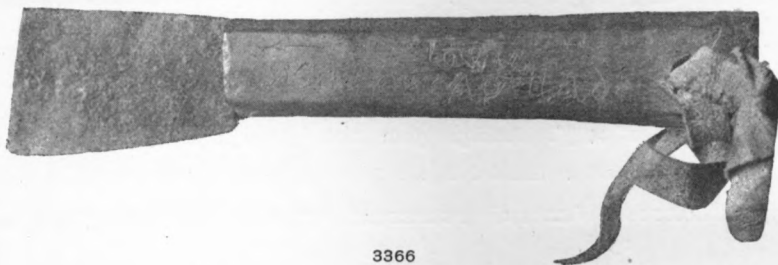
Oval, 1" \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a figure riding on a cock, holding a female figure, behind is a man with a dog's head and tail. Above the cock is a star in a crescent (Durham Seals, 62) :

*C E IPA SVYCI . . .

3365. DURHAM, GUARDIANS (*custodes*) OF THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY IN
THE SOUTH BAILEY . 2-18, Spec. 21, 22 ; A.D. 1452.

Round, $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Armorial, a chevron between three birds, five roundels on the chevron.

3366. LOWICK, CHAPEL OF⁸⁶ 3-1, Spec. 72,
A knife with broken blade, the handle is inscribed on one side :
signa de capella de lowic, and on the other side : de capella
de lowic et de decimis de lowic totius curie et totius
bille.



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⁸⁵ Styled William, rector of the church of St. Mary in the North Bailey, Durham (St. Mary-le-Bow or the great), collector of 6d. in the pound for the Scots wars. See no. 1121 in this catalogue, who was probably the same man. (H.D. II, 288 ; and S.D. IV, II, 41).

⁸⁶ Printed R.N.D. App. 135. See no. 2151 in this catalogue, where Robert of St. Martin uses a like sign in place of a seal. See also letter from the Rev. Dr. Greenwell printed in Proc. Soc. Ant. of Newcastle, 2^d s. vol. II, p. 95.

3367. NORMANTON, RECTOR⁸⁷ OF . . . 2-1, Archiep. 22 ; A.D. 1278.
Oval, (?) $\times \frac{3}{4}$ ", imperfect. Demi figure of our Lady with Christ.
S' ADE NE CL'ICI
3368. OXFORD, PARISH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN⁸⁸ . . 1-5, Ebor. 1, 2,
3, 4, 6, 14, 48 ; A.D. 1325.
Round, $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". A crescent enclosing a star :
✠ S' COMMVN' P'OCHIANO' MAG'
3369. PITTINGTON,⁸⁹ VICAR OF Misc. 3594 ; A.D. 1315.
Round, $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, an eagle.
LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.
3370. PITTINGTON,⁹⁰ VICAR OF Misc. 2322 ; A.D. 1376.
Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " $\times \frac{3}{4}$ ". St. Lawrence standing, holding his gridiron, above
it is a star within a crescent, behind him are two leaves :
✠ S' R
3371. TATESHALL,⁹¹ CHAPLAIN OF 3-3, Ebor. 37 ; A.D.
1179.
Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}$ " $\times 1\frac{1}{4}$ ". A seated figure vested in surplice (?) his hands
outstretched. Above his head ✠ :
. APELLANI
3372. YORK, GILBERT, RECTOR OF THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS^{91a} . .
2-1, Sacr. 2b ; A.D. 1239.
Oval, 1" $\times \frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, the head of an emperor.
LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.
3373. YORK, PARSON⁹² OF ST. PETER THE LESS . . 3-2, Finc. 30d ; A.D.
1285.

⁸⁷ Styled sir Adam of Hertford (?), rector of the church of Normanton. See Wickwane's Register, p. 36 (S.S. no. 114).

⁸⁸ Grant of land near Oxford to the convent of Durham by the vicar and others of the church of St. Mary Magdalen beyond the north gate. It appears to refer to the site of Durham college, now occupied by Trinity college, to the east of St. Mary Magdalen's church and Balliol college. The seal is engraved plate 1 "Some Durham College Rolls," by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston.

⁸⁹ Called John ; see nos. 762 and 3363 *note* 84 in this catalogue. See also S.D. 1, 117.

⁹⁰ Called William Batey. S.D. 1, 117 ; H.D. 11, 583.

⁹¹ Styled Geoffrey, chaplain of Tateshale.

^{91a} In North Street ; Ralph Paganel gave this church in 1089 to Holy Trinity priory, a Benedictine priory belonging to the abbey of Marmoutier near Tours.

⁹² Styled Hugh, parson of St. Peter the Little (parvus) in 'Brettegate,' York. Hugh of Retford (Giffard's Register, p. 284 ; S.S. no. 109).

Round, $\frac{3}{4}$ ". I.H.C. within a floriated device surmounted by a cross paty:

✠ EST AMOR : MEVS.

III.—HOSPITALS ^{92a} AND UNIVERSITIES.

3374. BOLTON,⁹³ HOSPITAL OF . . . 3-2, Spec. 13 *circa*; A.D. 1250.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". The martyrdom of St. Thomas of Canterbury:

✠ SIGILL : FRV . : OSPI THOME MR' DE
BOLT'

3375. BOLTON,⁹⁴ HOSPITAL OF . . . 3-2, Spec. 11; A.D. 1276.
Round, $2\frac{1}{4}$ ". St. Thomas of Canterbury,^{94a} vested as an archbishop and holding his cross in his left hand, blessing a kneeling figure who holds a fleur de lys in both hands. Behind the kneeling figure is an altar upon which is a chalice:

✠ SIGILL . CON PITAL DE BOVELT'

3376. BOLTON,⁹⁵ RECTOR OF THE HOUSE OF . . 4-2, Spec. 14; A.D. 1239
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". St. Thomas of Canterbury seated below a trefoiled canopy. Beneath is a kneeling figure praying:

. TI RECTORIS . DOMV D'BOL .

3377. CHIBBURN,⁹⁶ MASTER OF . . . 2-1, Spec. 29.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". A head:

. ATRIS : ROBERTI : GR

^{92a} For general account see "The Mediaeval Hospitals of England," by Rotha Mary Clay.

⁹³ N.C.H. VII, 216; S.B.M. 2679; Mon. Ang. VI, 693. The altar of our Lady of Bolton was in the aisle of the south transept of Durham. *Rites*, p. 113; Greenwell's *Durham Cathedral*, p. 55.

⁹⁴ N.C.H. VII, 215; S.B.M. 2678.

^{94a} Bolton was one of the numerous hospitals dedicated to St. Thomas of Canterbury ('Mediaeval Hospitals,' p. 267).

⁹⁵ N.C.H. VII, 215.

⁹⁶ A preceptory of the knights of the order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, commonly called Knight's Hospitallers, known later as the Knights of Rhodes. It was near Widdrington, Northumberland, for an account of the place see *Arch. Ael.* 2nd ser. v, p. 113. The deed names brother Robert Grosthette, late master and guardian and brother John Craucum (?) preceptor of the same.

3378. JERUSALEM AT CLERKENWELL, HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN⁹⁷ OF . [G]
C29; A.D. 1343.

Very imperfect. Armorial two bends, on a chief three pierced molets (Durham Seals, 62) :

LEGEND DESTROYED.

Secretum, 1" × $\frac{3}{4}$ ", imperfect. Antique gem (?) the bust of a bearded man wearing a flat cap and cloak (Durham Seals, 62) :

..... THAME.

3379. KEPYER, HOSPITAL OF ST. GILES⁹⁸ OF . 4-16, Spec. 45; A.D. 1189.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " × 1". A cross patriarchal :

✠ SIGILLVM : SANCTI : EGIDII

3380. KEPYER, HOSPITAL OF ST. GILES OF . 4-16, Spec. 45; A.D. 1199;
6-4, Elemos. 12.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " × $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". A cross paty,⁹⁹ a saltire at the intersection (Durham Seals, 62) :

✠ SIGILLV SANCTI EGIDII DUNELMIE

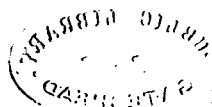
3381. KEPYER, HOSPITAL OF ST. GILES¹⁰⁰ OF . 4-14, Spec. 10; A.D. 1291

⁹⁷The grand priory of the knights of this order in England was at Clerkenwell. It was destroyed by the protector Somerset, and only the gatehouse now stands. By this charter, William, clerk of Foxden in the diocese of Durham, grants land there to the prior and brethren of the order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England. It is dated at *Fontem Clericorum juxta London*, 20th June, 1343. The remnant of the legend on the reverse of the seal bears the name 'Thame,' and is that used by Philip of Thame, grand prior in England (A.D. 1335-1353). I have not been able to identify the shield on the obverse, but it is probably his. The report of Philip of Thame to the grand master for A.D. 1338 has been printed by the Camden Society A.D. 1857, and the introduction gives an interesting account of the knights in England. S.B.M. 4539.

⁹⁸About a mile north-east of the city of Durham. For its history see S.D. iv, pt. II, 61; H.D. II, 382; and 'Memorials of St. Giles's, Durham,' S.S. 95. This seal is engraved no. 1 frontispiece of the latter volume, and charter is printed *ibid.* p. 212 (Not. Mon. 114; Mon. Ang. vi, 731). The altar of St. Giles at Durham was in the aisle of the north transept; *Rites*, 112.

⁹⁹This cross is very similar to that used on the seal of Durham monastery, only it has a longer lower limb. It is engraved no. 2 frontispiece, S.S. 95 and charter is printed *ibid.* p. 213.

¹⁰⁰This seal is no. 3 frontispiece, S.S. 95, see *ibid.* 269 for charter. In the third light, the window above the altar of St. Giles at Durham was "pictured saint Gyles in a blew habitt, with y^e hind at his feete shott wth a shaft" (*Rites*, 112); referring to the legend of the hind protected from the hunters by the saint.



- Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. St. Giles, with hind, standing on a bracket. He is tonsured and in monastic habit, his right hand holds his crosier, his left a book to his breast :

. . . IGIL IDI YPIIE.

Secretum, oval, $\frac{3}{4}'' \times \frac{5}{8}''$. Antique gem, a lion (?) :

* FRANGE LEGE TEGE

3382. KEPYER, HOSPITAL OF ST. GILES¹⁰¹ OF . . 2-2, Pont. 15 ; A.D. 1335 ;
2-7, Spec. 3 ; A.D. 1352 ; 2-7, Spec. 4, 12 ; A.D. 1335 ; 1-15,
Spec. 13, 14 ; 1-15, Spec. 24 ; A.D. 1351.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1\frac{5}{8}''$. St. Giles standing on a bracket with his hind on his right side. He is tonsured and vested in mass vestments. In his right hand he holds a book, in his left a crosier. Field of seal is diapered (Durham Seal, 62) :

✠ SIGILLVM . SANCTI . EGIDII . DE . KYPIIER

3383. KEPYER, HOSPITAL OF ST. GILES¹⁰² OF . . 2-7, Spec. 1 ; 2-3,
Sacr. 1.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}''$. St. Giles standing, on his right hand a hind lying down. He is tonsured and in monastic habit, his right hand holds a book, his left his crosier :

✠ SIGILL CTI : EGIDII : DE KIPPEYERE

3384. NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE,¹⁰³ WEST HOSPITAL OF . Misc. 6966 ;
A.D. 1368.

Oval, $2'' + 1\frac{1}{4}''$. Our Lady with Christ seated. Very imperfect and poor impression.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

¹⁰¹ This seal is no. 5 frontispiece, S.S. 95. St. Giles is here vested as an abbot ; he has always been traditionally so ranked (S.C.D. II, 46). According to the legend St. Giles lived as a hermit in a cave near the mouth of the Rhone ; here arose the great Benedictine abbey of Saint Gilles with the town of the same name.

¹⁰² This seal is no. 4 frontispiece, S.S. 95. Charter no. 1 is printed *ibid.* p. 269.

¹⁰³ Used by William of Norton, styled *Magister hospitalis occidentalis de Novo Castro super Tynam*. It was founded by the townsmen for a master and six brethren, was situated near the west gate, dedicated to St. Mary the Virgin and called Westgate Spittal. Bourne's 'History of Newcastle-upon-Tyne,' p. 31 ; Not. Mon. 395 ; Mon. Ang. VI, 771.

3385. OXFORD, HOSPITAL OF ST. JOHN BAPTIST ¹⁰⁴ AT . . . 1-5, Ebor. 18.
Oval, 2" × 1½". A cross patty with dove above it :
FRATRV . . OSPITALIS . S . IOHANN OXE . . .
3386. SHERBURN, ¹⁰⁵ HOSPITAL OF Misc. 5775.
Very imperfect, apparently a standing figure, holding out his right hand.
LEGEND DESTROYED.
3387. SHERBURN, HOSPITAL OF . . Misc. 6376x ; A.D. 1296 ; Loc. XXI,
IX ; A.D. 1324.
Oval, 2¼" × 1½". A standing figure with a smaller figure standing in front of him.
LEGEND DESTROYED.
3388. TEMPLE, ¹⁰⁶ KNIGHTS OF THE [G] S22 ; A.D. 1304.
Round, 1¼". The Holy Lamb with banner (Durham Seals, 62) :
✠ SIGILLVM TEMPLI
Secretum, round, ¾". A bearded head wearing a flat cap :
✠ TESTIS SVM AGNI
3389. YORK, MASTER OF THE HOSPITAL OF ST. PETER ¹⁰⁷ AT . . Misc. 4261,
4262 ; A.D. 1279-80.
Oval, ¾" × ½". Antique gem, a figure driving two goats.

¹⁰⁴ Used by Nicholas, styled *magister hospitalis S. Johis Bapt. extra portam orientalem Oxonie*. The buildings of St. John's Hospital, which William of Waynflete acquired in 1457, formed the nucleus of Magdalene college and still partially exist in the chaplain's quad ; see 'The Mediaeval Hospitals of England,' by Miss Clay, for numerous references to this hospital and a mediaeval picture of it on page 1. See also Not. Mon. 429 ; Mon. Ang. vi, 678 ; V.C.H. Oxford, II, p. 158.

¹⁰⁵ About three miles from the city of Durham. A hospital founded for lepers by bishop Hugh Puiset. H.D. II, 752 ; S.D. I, 127 ; Not. Mon. 114 ; J. R. Boyle's "Guide to Durham," 469 ; Mon. Ang. vi, 668.

¹⁰⁶ Called also Knights Templars or Poor Knights of Christ and of the Temple of Solomon (*pauperes commilitones Christi templique Salomonici*), because Baldwin I, king of Jerusalem, gave to them, for their home, a part of his palace next to the so called temple of Solomon. This seal is here used by William de la More, styled *frater Willelmus de la More milicie Templi in Anglia magister humilis*. The seal is called *commune sigillum capituli*. The seal symbolic of their vow of poverty, showing two knights riding on one horse appears only to have been used by the order in France ; there is no example of its use in England. S.B.M. 4488 ; Mon. Ang. vi, ii, 814 ; Not. Mon. xxiv.

¹⁰⁷ This seal is used as *Secretum* to the seal of Rufinus, archdeacon of Cleveland (no. 3290), by R., styled master of the hospital of St. Peter, York. This was called later St. Leonard's Hospital (see next note). Not. Mon. 642 ; Mon. Ang. vi, 607 ; V.C.H. Yorks, III, 336.

3390. YORK; HOSPITAL OF ST. LEONARD¹⁰⁸ AT . 4-1, Sacr. II ; A.D. 1385.
Oval, imperfect. A figure standing under a canopy holding a book
in his left hand and a crosier in his right. Beneath is a figure
playing :

S' OFFICII SC LEO

3391. CAMBRIDGE,¹⁰⁹ CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF . Misc. 4240 ;
A.D. 1344.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. A man's head cut off at the neck, and wearing
a flat cap, placed upon a bridge of four arches spanning a river
(CAM), with fish in it (Durham Seals, 62) :

S' CANCELLARII VNIVERSITATIS CANTEBRIGI.

3392. OXFORD,¹¹⁰ CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF . 3-4, Ebor. 16,
25 ; A.D. 1366 ; 2-2, Pont. 13 ; A.D. 1340.

Oval, $2'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. The chancellor in academic gown and round cap,
seated, holding a pen (?) in his right hand and in his left a book.
On each side of him is seated a scholar in gown and hood each
holding a book, and apparently, disputing. Beneath is an ox
standing (Durham Seals, 62) :

SIGILLVM OFFICII CANCELLARII : VNIVERSITATIS OXONIE

¹⁰⁸ This was the same foundation as that of the previous seal. It was originally founded by the canons of the cathedral church of St. Peter near the west end of the church, and known by that saint's name. Later it was removed to the site of the present ruins which occupy only the north part of the site, the buildings originally extended for some distance across the present street, where king Stephen built a large church within its precincts, dedicated to St. Leonard after which the hospital usually went by his name. Not. Mon. 642 ; Mon. Ang. vi, 607 ; V.C.H. Yorks, III, 336.

¹⁰⁹ A canting device representing the chancellor as *head* of the university of *Cam-bridge*. There is a detailed account of the seals of the university and colleges of Cambridge by Sir W. H. St. John Hope in P.L.A.X., 225 *et seq.* The seal is here used by Thomas of Northwode, styled chancellor of the university of Cambridge, archdeacon of Lincoln and canon of the same church. This was Master Thomas of Northwode, S.T.P. archdeacon of Lincoln, 26th May, 1331 (L.N. II, 44). He was prebendary of Welton Paynshall, 8th September, 1327 (Lincoln Reg. IV, f. 400d) ; archdeacon of Stow, 14th April, 1328 (L.N. II, 77), sub-dean of Lincoln, 14th June, 1328 (L.N. II, 38). He exchanged the prebend of Welton Paynshall for that of Bishop's Norton, 18th May, 1329 (Lincoln Reg. IV, f. 401d) and the subdeanery for the treasureship on the same day (L.N. II, 88). He died in 1349.

¹¹⁰ S.B.M. 5254.

3393. OXFORD,¹¹¹ CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF . 1-5, Ebor. 51.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 2". The chancellor seated, beneath a church like canopy, wearing an academic gown and round cap. He holds a book to his breast with both hands. On each side and beneath him, seated on benches, are twelve youthful figures, tonsured and in monastic habits, engaged in disputing:

SIGILL CANCELLARII [ET UN] IVERSITA [TIS OXONIEN]S

3394. OXFORD,¹¹² CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF . 2-6, Ebor. 6;
A.D. 1521.

Oval, 3" (?) \times 2", imperfect. The chancellor, in round cap, tippet and gown, seated in a central canopied niche, holding a book with both hands. On each side of him in a similar niche is the figure of a doctor (?) wearing a flat cap, tippet and gown. Above in the centre, in a smaller niche, is a shield of arms, an open book, with seven seals attached to its dexter side, between three crowns; on each side in a niche is a demi figure in tippet and gown holding a staff. The lower part of seal is destroyed but in it would be a shield of arms, an ox walking through a ford:

x sigillum universitatis x oxonie x

3395. OXFORD,¹¹³ COLLEGE OF THE MONKS OF DURHAM AT . 4-6, Ebor.
1; A.D. 1437; Loc. XVI; A.D. 1483.

¹¹¹ S.B.M. 5253.

¹¹² The figures represent the chancellor between two doctors or masters of arts, the demi-figures above probably representing the two proctors. The shield in chief bears the arms of the university blazoned *azure between three crowns of gold an open book with seven golden seals attached to the dexter side and inscribed with the words 'Dominus illuminatio mea.'* These words are not visible on this seal. The three golden crowns derive from the shield attributed to St. Edmund the king. The shield in base bears the canting arms of the city of Oxford; S.B.M. 5255.

¹¹³ Said to have been first founded *circa* A.D. 1249 by William, archdeacon of Durham. Prior Hugh of Darlington *circa* 1287-90, sent monks to study at Oxford (Scrip. Tres, 72) and his successor, Richard of Hoton, built and endowed a hall for them there (Scrip. Tres, 73). It was known as Durham Hall. Trinity college now occupies its site and some of its buildings. For an account of this college see "Durham University," by Rev. Canon Fowler; and 'Some Durham College Rolls,' by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston in Collectanea, vol. III, Oxford Historical Society's publications; also V. C.H. Oxford, II, 69. The shield in base is that of bishop Hatfield of Durham, now blazoned *azure a chevron gold between three lions rampant silver*, who permanently founded and endowed the college *circa* A.D. 1379. This seal is engraved plate II 'Some Durham College Rolls' as above.

Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, holding the child Christ, standing in a central niche. On the dexter in a similar niche is St. Cuthbert with mitre and crosier and holding in his right hand the head of St. Oswald, on the dexter is a robed figure. On the exergue is St. Cuthbert. Beneath is a shield of arms a chevron between three lions rampant :

sigillum co'me collegii monachor dunelm oron.

3396. OXFORD,¹¹⁴ MASTER AND SCHOLARS OF THE HALL OF BALIOL AT .
2-2, Pont. 13 ; A.D. 1340.

Oval, $2\frac{5}{8}'' \times 2''$. Our Lady, crowned and robed, seated on a throne with the child Christ on her knee. The throne is placed upon the roof of a building, and beneath a trefoiled canopy with a church above it. Beneath the throne, on the exergue, is inscribed DOM SCOLARI V D' BALL'O. On the dexter side is a shield of arms three sheaves, on the sinister a like shield, two piles. Beneath the roof upon which the throne is placed, are two kneeling figures supporting it with their upraised right hands. The dexter figure is the robed figure of a lady holding by her left hand a shield of arms, a lion rampant. The figure on the sinister is that of an armed knight bearing on his left arm a shield charged with an escutcheon (Durham Seals, 62) :

S' : D E : D' : BALL' . SCVTA : NOTA : [ST] : PIA : [V'GO :
DOMV' T' . D]ATES

¹¹⁴ The figures in base represent Dervorguila daughter and coheirress of Alan, earl of Galloway, by his wife Margaret, sister of John 'le Scot,' earl of Chester and coheirress of David of Scotland, earl of Huntingdon, and her husband John Baliol (d. 1269) who, circa A.D. 1263 founded several scholarships at Oxford. After his death his widow Dervorguila founded the college which now bears the name of Balliol. The shield on the dexter is for the earldom of Chester, *azure three sheaves gold* first borne by earl Ranulf 'de Blondewille,' d. 1232 ; the shield on the sinister is that of John 'le Scot,' earl of Chester and of Huntingdon, d. 1237. It is blazoned *gold three piles gules* ('Scut' aur. tres pali' gul,' O.B. II, 225). Two piles only are here drawn probably this is an error of the engraver. Dervorguila supports her own shield of the lordship of Galloway blazoned *azure a lion rampant silver crowned gold* (Jenyn's Ordinary). John Baliol bears his own shield *gules a false escutcheon (orle) silver*. It is here depicted probably in error, as an escutcheon. The legend expanded reads, SIGILLUM COMMUNE DE BALLIOLO, SCUTA NOTANT STANTES PIA VIRGO DOMUM TIBI DANTES. (S.B.M. 5261). The seal and *secretum* of the lady Dervorguila are described in Laing's 'Catalogue of Scottish Seals,' II, p. 14, and are illustrated *ibid.* pl. v. Balliol college now bears *gules an orle silver*, the entire arms of John Baliol.

3397. OXFORD,¹¹⁵ MASTER AND SCHOLARS OF THE HALL OF BALIOL AT . . .
 I 5, Ebor. 41; A.D. 1307.
 Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. A tonsured figure in clerical habit praying. In front a shield of arms a bird (? heron), above the shield is John Baptist's head in a charger, and above all is the Holy Lamb. (Durham Seals, 62):
 . . MAG NICHIL.

IV.—MONASTIC.

3398. ABINGDON,¹ WALTER, ABBOT OF Misc. 4860, A.D. 1361
 Round, $\frac{3}{4}''$. Our Lady standing holding Christ, in front of them a female figure standing, a plant between them. Beneath is a kneeling figure of the abbot praying:
 S' WALTERI : D LE ND
 3399. ABINGDON,² RALPH, ABBOT OF Misc. 4353; A.D. 1432.
 Round, 1". An angel with his hands raised in prayer. In front of him a shield of arms a cross flory between four martlets (Durham Seals, 63):
 S' RADULPHI HAMME ABBA ANDONIE
 3400. ALNWICK,³ GILBERT, ABBOT OF 2-1, Ebor. 10, 11; 3-6, Spec. 37; circa A.D. 1190.

¹¹⁵ Used by them to an agreement with the convent of Durham. The name is broken off the legend and it is not possible to tell whose seal it was.

¹ Berkshire. A Benedictine abbey dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Traditionally founded circa A.D. 675 by Cissa, king of the West Saxons. Hean was the first abbot. It was refounded, after destruction by the Danes, by St. Ethelwold in the time of king Edgar. The seal is that '*quo utimur pro acquitantiis.*' An eleventh century seal of the abbey and the seal of abbot John Sante (1469-95) are illustrated plate 1, V.C.H. Berks. II, p. 62; see also *ibid.* p. 51, Mon. Ang. I, 505, Not. Mon. 10, and Chronicon Monasterii de Abingdon, 2 vols. Rolls Series.

² Ralph Hamme succeeded as abbot July, 1428 (Mon. Ang. I, 509). The shield is usually blazoned *silver a cross flory (sometimes palonce) between four martlets sable*. Dugdale (*ibid.* I, 511 note c) makes the field gold. The same shield is also on the seal of John Sante (see note 1) together with two other shields, one bearing a lion rampant and the other a tree bearing fruit. See also E.H. 352.

³ Northumberland. An abbey of Premonstratensian Canons, called also Norbertines or White canons, a reformed order of the canons regular of St. Augustine following the rule of St. Norbert as established by him at the abbey of Prémontré in the diocese of Laon, France, A.D. 1120. It was dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Founded by

Oval, slightly dished, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. A standing figure in monastic habit, holding crosier in right hand and a book in left:

SIGILL GILBERT . ABBATIS

3401. ALNWICK,⁴ ABBOT OF 4-2, Spec. 25.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. A tonsured figure in monastic habit standing, holding a crosier in his right hand and a book to his breast in left (Durham Seals, 63):

✠ SIGILL' AB . . TIS . . CCL'IE DE ALNEWIC

3402. ALNWICK,⁵ PETER, ABBOT OF 4-2 Spec. 14; A.D. 1239.

Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. A hand issuing from the dexter side of the seal, holding a crosier outwards:

. IGILL' : ABBATIS DE ALNEW . . .

3403. ALNWICK, WILLIAM,⁶ ABBOT OF Misc. 1226.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. A tonsured figure of the abbot in monastic habit, holding crosier in left hand and a book to his breast in left:

✠ SIGILLUM . WILLELMI ✠ ABBATIS . DE ALNEWIC

3404. ALNWICK,⁷ ABBOT OF Misc. 5192; A.D. 1284.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times$, imperfect. A tonsured figure, standing, holding crosier in right hand and a book to his breast in left, on the dexter in the field are three stars and two crescents alternately one above the other, the sinister side of seal is destroyed:

. IGILLUM AB

Eustace Fitz John, lord of Alnwick, A.D. 1147; colonised from Newhouse. There is a ground plan of the abbey and an account of its buildings by Sir W. H. St. John Hope in *Arch. Ael.* 2nd ser. xiii, p. 1. Gilbert was abbot *circa* A.D. 1190-1208. See Mon. Ang. vi, 867; Not. Mon. 393; Tate's History of Alnwick, II, 1; *Arch. Ael.* 1st ser. II, 214; and III, 33. This seal is engraved (incorrectly) 'Priory of Finchale,' S.S. 6, p. 19, charter no. 37 is printed *ibid.* p. 16. Extracts from the Premonstratensian Statutes are printed in 'Customs of Augustinian Canons,' by J. Willis Clark, p. 11; see also 'Collectanea Anglo-Praemonstratensia,' ed. Gasquet (Camden Soc. 3rd ser. vols. VI, X and XI).

⁴ Used by Master Roger of Burton, vicar of Ellingham (ob. A.D. 1239) to an obligation to pay fifteen marks annually to the convent of Durham for the church of Ellingham. The seal is therefore that of an abbot before A.D. 1239.

⁵ For purport of deed see Tate's 'History of Alnwick,' II, p. 20.

⁶ He was abbot in A.D. 1260, Tate, *op. cit.* II, 18. S.B.M. 2555. Coll. Angl.-Praemons. II, p. 15.

⁷ The charter is dated vii Kal. Sept. 1284. Thomas of Kirkby was then abbot, Tate, *op. cit.* II, 18.

- 3404a. ALNWICK, SACRIST OF Misc. 669i; A.D. 1285.
Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". A conventional tree on the branches of which four
birds are seated in pairs, two on each side of the stem:

✠ S' R. LEGE: VERA.

3405. APPLEBY,⁸ PRIOR OF Misc. 4470; A.D. 1388.
Oval, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". Our Lady with Christ seated beneath a canopy
with side shafts, above is a star. Beneath is a demi-figure of
the prior praying:

S' . PRIORIS . DE . APPILBY

3406. BARLINGS,⁹ ABBEY OF [G] c68.
Oval, imperfect. Our Lady with Christ seated in a canopied niche:

SIGILLU AD CAUSAS.

3407. BERMUNDSEY,¹⁰ PRIORY OF ST. SAVIOUR'S OF . . Misc. 410; A.D.
1386.

Round, imperfect, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". The Transfiguration:

✠ SIG OR EYE

Secretum, round, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ ". Demi-figure of our Lord with cruciferous
nimbus, his hands raised, above his left a small cross:

✠ EGO SUM: VIA: VERITAS: ET: VITA:

⁸ Westmorland. A priory of Carmelites or White Friars, founded by lords Vescy, Percy and Clifford, A.D. 1281. In this charter the monks call themselves '*Prior et Conventus de Appilbie ordinis B. Marie genetricis Dei de Carmel.*' Mon. Ang. vi, 1581; Not. Mon. 588. This seal is S.B.M. 2560.

⁹ Lincolnshire. An abbey of Premonstratensian canons, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Ralph Haya, a son of the constable of Lincoln castle, A.D. 1154; colonised from Newhouse. Mon. Ang. vi, 915; Not. Mon. 270; Visits. Linc. App. i, p. 167; V.C.H. Lincoln II, 202; Coll. Anglo-Praemon. ed. Gasquet, vol. II, p. 29 *et passim*. Seals are S.B.M. 2594-2604.

¹⁰ Surrey. A priory of Cluniac monks (a reformed order of Benedictines following the rule of the abbey of Cluny, France), dedicated to Our Holy Saviour, founded by Aylwin Child, A.D. 1082. Erected into an abbey by pope Boniface IX, 13 Aug. 1399. For the shield of the abbey see Mon. Ang. v, 85 and V.C.H. Surrey, iv, p. 20 *et passim*. Various seals of the abbey and abbots are described Mon. Ang. v, 95; V.C.H. Surrey II, 67 and S.B.M. 2634, 2635. The legend given in B.M. catalogue for this seal is SIGILL: ECCL'IE: SCI: SALVATORIS: DE: BERMUNDESEYE. It is used here by Richard of Duntone prior A.D. 1372-90. Mon. Ang. v, 85; Not. Mon. 535, V.C.H. Surrey II, 64.

3408. BLANCHLAND,¹¹ ABBOT OF 2-4, Ebor. 26; A.D. 1243
Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. A hand issuing from the dexter side of seal,
holding a crosier inwards:
* S . ABATTIS : DE ALBA . . . DA
3409. BLANCHLAND, WILLIAM,¹² ABBOT OF . . 1-17, Spec. 14; A.D. 1320.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1''$. The abbot in mass vestments standing, holding
crosier in right hand and in his left a book in front of his breast.
The field of the seal is diapered in a running foliage pattern:
SIGILLUM : ABB . . . S DE : A . BALAN . .
3410. BLANCHLAND,¹³ ABBEY OF 2-11, Spec. 13; A.D. 1234.
Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. Our Lady seated in *vesica*, robed and holding
Christ, in her right hand she holds a sceptre. On each side is
a crescent enclosing a star. Beneath is a figure of the abbot in
monastic habit standing, holding a crosier in his left hand, on
each side is a semi-circular doorway:
✠ S' ABBATIS ET CONVENT BEATE MAR D'ALBA LA'D.
3411. BRINKBURN,¹⁴ ALAN, PRIOR OF . . 4-2, Spec. 14, 25; A.D. 1239.
Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1''$. A hand, issuing from the dexter, holding two keys:
✠ SIGILL' ALANI PRIORIS DE BRINKEBURNE
3412. BRINKBURN, WILLIAM,¹⁵ PRIOR OF . . 2-4, Ebor. 26; A.D. 1243.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1''$. A standing figure vested in alb, amice, stole,
chasuble, maniple hanging from left wrist, his hands raised (Dur-
ham Seals, 63):
. . . . WILLI : P'ORIS . . . BRINKEBURNE

¹¹ Northumberland. An abbey of Premônstratensian canons dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Walter of Bolbec III, A.D. 1165; colonised from Croxton. Mon. Ang. vi, 886; Not. Mon. 393; N.C.H. vi, 313. This seal is engraved *ibid.* p. 315, note 3. Coll. Anglo-Præmons. ed. Gasquet, vol. II, p. 89 *et passim*.

¹² Used by William, styled '*minister humilis ecclesiae de Alba Landa*.' See N.C.H. vi, 316, note 7.

¹³ See N.C.H. vi, 315, note 2. Also S.B.M. 2551.

¹⁴ Northumberland. A priory of Austin canons originally dedicated to St. Peter but later to SS. Peter and Paul (see legend of seal no. 3416), founded by William Bertram I of Mitford, in the time of Henry I. Mon. Ang. vi, 331; Not. Mon. 391; N.C.H. vii, 455; 'The Chartulary of Brinkburn,' S.S. 90. This seal is engraved N.C.H. vii, pl. facing p. 464, no. 4. For account of the customs and observances of this order see 'Customs of Augustinian Canons,' by J. Willis Clark.

¹⁵ N.C.H. vii, pl. face p. 464; S.S. 90, p. xiv.

3413. BRINKBURN, WILLIAM,¹⁶ PRIOR OF . . . 4-2, Spec. 40; A.D. 1248.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$. Imperfect, St. Peter (?) in mass vestments, seated and wearing a mitre with the horns at either side of the head. He holds a crosier in his left hand, his right is blessing (?) (now destroyed):

SIGILLU RI . D . . . E . BRIN

3414. BRINKBURN, NICHOLAS,¹⁷ PRIOR OF I-I, Spec. 51.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}" \times 1"$. A demi-figure of St. Peter, below a church-like canopy, holding a book in his right hand and two keys in his left. Beneath has been a figure praying (now destroyed). A row of pierced cinquefoils beyond the niche shafts on either side:
S' NICHOLA IS DE BRINK

3415. BRINKBURN, GEOFFREY,¹⁸ PRIOR OF . Misc. 1226, *temp.* Nicholas IV; A.D. 1288-92.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$. A tonsured figure in mass vestments seated on a chair with arms, holding a cross-headed staff in his right hand and a book to his breast in his left:

✠ GALFRIDUS PRIOR DE BRINKEBURNA

3416. BRINKBURN,¹⁹ PRIORY OF . 3-2, Pont. 11; A.D. 1391; 3-12, Pont. 3; A.D. 1406.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 1\frac{1}{2}"$. St. Peter standing on the dexter, holding a book in his right hand and two keys in his left and facing towards St. Paul who stands on the sinister and holds a book in his right hand and a sword in his left. Beneath is a tonsured figure of the prior praying.

✠ S' . APLOR . PETRI ET PAULI . DE . BRINKEBURNE

3417. BRUN,²⁰ MONASTERY OF THE NEW PLACE UPON . . . 2-6, Spec. 76.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$. Our Lady seated with Christ.

✠ SIGILL ECCLIE : SCE . MARIE . DE . NOVO LOCO . SUP
BRUN

¹⁶ N.C.H. vii, pl. face p. 464, no. 5; S.S. 90, p. xiv.

¹⁷ N.C.H. vii, pl. face p. 464, no. 3; S.S. 90, p. xiv.

¹⁸ N.C.H. vii, pl. face p. 464, no. 2; S.S. 90, p. xiv; S.B.M. 2717.

¹⁹ N.C.H. vii, pl. face p. 464, no. 1; engraved S.S. 90, pl. facing p. xvi. S.B.M. 2715.
It is used here by John styled prior of 'Brenkeburne.'

²⁰ Durham. A priory of Austin canons, colonised from Guisborough, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Founded by Henry Puiset in the latter part of the 12th century,

3418. BURY ST. EDMUND'S,²¹ ABBEY OF [G] B8.
Oval, $3\frac{1}{8}$ " X, imperfect, king Edmund, robed and crowned, seated
on throne holding sceptre in right hand and orb in left :
. RIS
3419. BURY ST. EDMUND'S, SAMSON,²² ABBOT OF [G] B8.
A fragment only, a mitred head :
LEGEND DESTROYED.
3420. BURY ST. EDMUND'S,²³ ABBEY OF Misc. 413; A.D. 1423.
Round, $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Armorial three crowns, the lower one pierced with an
arrow, on dexter side of shield is an arrow and on the sinister
side is a sword (Durham Seals, 63) :
LEGEND DESTROYED.
3421. BYLAND,²⁴ RICHARD, ABBOT OF Misc. 1127; 3-8, Spec. 15.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}$ " X 1". A hand and arm issuing from the sinister side of
seal, holding a crosier. In the field are five stars (?) :

✠ : SIGILLUM : ABBATIS : BELLELANDE

originally at Haswell but transferred early to Baxtanford (now Baxterwood) on the river Brownie about one mile from Durham. For its history see 'The Priory of Finchale,' S.S. 6, p. x. This charter is printed and seal engraved *ibid.* pp. 14 and 15.

²¹ Suffolk. Sigebert, king of the East Angles founded a monastery here *circa* A.D. 633, its name was then Beodricesworth. The body of St. Edmund, king and martyr, was buried here in A.D. 903 and the name of the place changed, as his fame spread, to St. Edmund's Bury. In A.D. 1020 Aelfwine bishop of Elmham put Benedictine monks in the place of seculars. In the same year a charter of endowment was granted by king Cnut. For various seals of the abbey and abbots see V.C.H. Suffolk II, pl. face p. 72; Mon. Ang. III, 132; and S.B.M. nos. 2796-2815. See also Mon. Ang. III, 98, Not. Mon. 504, V.C.H. Suffolk II, 56.

²² Samson of Tottington, A.D. 1182-1211. V.C.H. Suffolk II, 59; Mon. Ang. III, 105. On his surname see note p. 121, 'Chronica Jocelini de Brakelond' (Camden Soc.). See also Carlyle's 'Past and Present,' book II.

²³ Used by William Excetre, abbot A.D. 1415-29. The arms blasoned by Dugdale for the abbey are *azure three golden crowns each pierced by two arrows placed saltireways gold*. The earlier shield seems to have been simply *azure three crowns gold* as blasoned on the banner described Mon. Ang. III, 104, note d. Later the instruments of St. Edmund's martyrdom were added. The number of crowns and arrows varied both in number and disposition. See 'Emblems of the Saints' by F. C. Husenbeth, 3rd ed. app. II, pp. 15 and 16, where seven varieties are given, also E.H. pp. 360, 361; and S.B.M. nos. 2808, 2815.

²⁴ Yorkshire. A Cistercian abbey dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded at Old Byland by Roger Mowbray (nos. 1837-1840 in this catalogue) A.D. 1143. Richard

3422. BYLAND, WILLIAM,²⁵ ABBOT OF Misc. 4280; A.D. 1429.
Round signet, $\frac{3}{4}$ ". W in a circle :

s' help aud

3423. CARLISLE,²⁶ PRIORY OF 4-1, Spec. 34; A.D. 1248.
Round, $2\frac{3}{8}$ ". Half figure of Our Lady with Christ; on each side
an angel swinging a censer; below each a representation of the
priory church. Beneath, under a semi-circular outer arch, are
two trefoiled arches, in each of which is a figure rising out of a
tower, that on the sinister a bishop (of Carlisle?) with crosier
and mitre, that on the dexter a canon regular (the prior?); both
are praying. In the spandril of the arch is a cross in *vesica* :

✠ LESIE : SANCTE : M EOLI

3424. CROYLAND,²⁷ ABBEY OF I-4, Ebor. 9; A.D. 1167.
Oval, dished, $2\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". A tonsured figure of St. Guthlac in alb
and chasuble standing, apparently blessing with his right hand,
the left, stretched out from his side, holds a scourge (?) :

SIGILLUM SCI GUTHLACI ANACHORITE

was abbot *circa* 1223-1230. The arms of the abbey were *gules a lion rampant silver over all a crosier bendways sinister* that is the shield of Mowbray differenced by the abbot's crosier. Dugdale gives an alternative shield *quarterly gules and silver a crosier bendways*. Mon. Ang. v, 343; Not. Mon. 657; V.C.H. Yorks III, 131; Tonge's Visit. S.S. 41, p. 61; E.H. 361 and S.B.M. 2822. See also Yorks Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 27.

²⁵ William Helperby *circa* A.D. 1429-69. He is styled here collector within the arch-deaconry of Cleveland. This is probably his seal for that office.

²⁶ Cumberland. A priory of Austin canons dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded and endowed by Walter a Norman priest in the time of Henry I. Its arms were *silver a cross sable*. Mon. Ang. vi, 141; Not. Mon. 73; V.C.H. Cumberland II, 131, seal engraved pl. facing p. 130; E.H. 362.

²⁷ Lincolnshire. A Benedictine abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Bartholomew and St. Guthlac, said to have been founded by Ethelbald of Mercia A.D. 716, at the place where St. Guthlac the hermit had lived. It was destroyed by the Danes A.D. 870 and refounded by Turketyl A.D. 948. Mon. Ang. II, 90; Not. Mon. 249; Visits. Linc. App. I, 153; V.C.H. Lincoln II, 105; S.B.M. 3018. The arms of the abbey were quarterly, I and IV *gules three flaying knives silver*, II and III *azure three scourges gold* quarters I and IV bear the emblem of St. Bartholomew II and III that of St. Guthlac. Another shield blazoned for the abbey is *gules a cross patonce gold and a border azure crusilly gold*. E.H. 365 and 'Emblems of the Saints,' F. C. Husenbeth, 3rd ed. app. II, pp. 21 and 22.

3425. CROYLAND,²⁸ ABBEY OF Misc. 4448; A.D. 1333.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{8}$ ". Two figures standing, beneath a church like canopy, opposite to each other, the one on the dexter is bearded and holds a cross in a circle, the other, who is tonsured holds up a triple thonged scourge (Durham Seals, 63).

SIGILL' COMMUNE . ABBATIS . ET CONVENTUS CROYLANDIE

3426. DRAX,²⁹ PRIORY OF 4-2, Ebor. 6
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{7}{8}$ ". A mitred figure of an archbishop (St. Nicholas) standing vested in alb, dalmatic, chasuble, amice, pall and maniple, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier (Durham Seals, 63):

SIGILLUM CAPITUL NICH DE DRA .

Secretum,³⁰ oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times 1". Half figure of the prior, tonsured hood on shoulders (Durham Seals, 63):

✠ SIGILLUM : PRIORIS : DE : D .

3427. DURHAM,³¹ PRIORY OF . Misc. 1208, 1235, 1250, 1252, 1256, 1273, 1280, 1281, 1-9, Spec. 38; 2-9, Spec. 11; 3-12, Spec. 14; 3-6, Spec. 2, 3, 6; 1-8, Spec. 16, 18; 2-8, Spec. 48 [G] DI.
Obverse round, 2". A cross paty with a small saltire at the inter-

²⁸ The figures represent St. Bartholomew and St. Guthlac. The charter names Henry then abbot. Henry of Casewick, A.D. 1324-1358 (V.C.H. Lincoln II, 110).

²⁹ Yorkshire. A priory of Austin canons dedicated to St. Nicholas, founded by William Paynell in the time of Henry I. Mon. Ang. VI, 195; Not. Mon. 655; V.C.H. Yorks III, 205; Yorks Arch. Socy. Record Series XVII, 38. The arms of the priory were *silver on a tess gules between three 'drakes,' a cinquefoil silver*. Tonge's Visit. S.S. 41, p. 63; E.H. 366; S.B.M. 3074.

³⁰ Used by prior Thomas of Campsall circa A.D. 1282-86. V.C.H. Yorks. III, 208; S.B.M. 3075.

³¹ Bishop Aldhune and the 'congregation of St. Cuthbert,' removed from Ripon to Durham, A.D. 995. In A.D. 1083 bishop William of Saint-Calais transferred the monks from Jarrow and Wearmouth to Durham, ejected the seculars, who were there, and established a cathedral priory of Benedictine monks. The ancient dedication was to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Cuthbert. Mon. Ang. I, 219; Not. Mon. III; Scrip. Tres, S.S. 9; Sym. S.S. 51, and Rolls Series; 'Rites of Durham,' S.S. 107; 'Durham Account Rolls,' S.S. 99, 100, 103; 'Durham Cathedral,' by Rev. Wm. Greenwell, D.C.L.; 'A Brief Account of Durham Cathedral,' by Rev. Jas. Raine; H.D. II, 61. There is also a very full account of the cathedral church and monastery in J. R. Boyle's 'Guide to the County of Durham.'

section, and a round dot at each of the four ends of the saltire ^{81a}
(Durham Seals, 64) :

✠ SIGILLUM CUDBERHTI PRÆSULIS SCI

Reverse, round, $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". Antique gem, the head of Jupiter Serapis ^{81b}
(Durham Seals, 64) :

✠ CAPUT SANCTI OSWALDI REGIS

3428. DURHAM, ³² PRIORY OF Misc. 4165 ; A.D. 1335.
Round, 1". Within a figure, formed by the intersection of a quatre-
foil with a square, in the cusplings of which are the evangelistic
symbols, is an ornate cross in the centre of which is a small cross
(Durham Seals, 64) :

✠ DILVE DELICTA IOH'IS CRUX B'NDICTA

PRIORS OF DURHAM. ³³

3429. GERMAN ³⁴ 2-4, Spec. 6.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". The prior, in monastic habit, seated on a chair
holding a book with both hands (Durham Seals, 64) :

✠ SIGILL : GERMANI : PR ENSIS : ECCL' SIE

^{31a} This cross, more properly described as a cross-shaped reliquary, was very probably copied from that worn by St. Cuthbert and found on his breast at the examination of his body ; see 'St. Cuthbert,' by Rev. Jas. Raine, pl. 1, fig. 3. It is certainly of high antiquity. The rude and early form of the Roman capitals of the legend may well date from the end of the tenth or early eleventh century. The matrix in the library of the dean and chapter of Durham is a later copy, when made is not known. See 'The Banner and Cross of St. Cuthbert,' *Arch. Ael.* 2nd ser. II, p. 55.

^{31b} This beautifully engraved gem, representing the 'father of gods and men,' wearing the 'modius' and surrounded by thunderbolts, is of later use than the obverse ; the beautifully cut letters of the legend, of clear Lombardic type, are apparently of early 13th century date. It is here used to represent the head of St. Oswald, as Charles the Great used the same head to typify that of Christ. See also 'Durham Seals,' pl. 5, no. 481 and no. 3552, pl. 63.

³² Seal used by the convent as collector of tenths for the defence of the realm.

³³ The dates given for the various priors are from the list at the end of 'Durham Cathedral,' by Rev. Wm. Greenwell, D.C.L., &c. See also 'Durham Account Rolls,' S.S. and *ibid.* introduction, vol. III, p. iii, for a general account of their position and rank, 'the lord Prior besides being so eminent an ecclesiastic was a great county magnate, ranking with the Nevilles of Raby and Brancepeth, the Percys of Alnwick . . . while in Durham itself he kept a state only a little inferior to that of the great Prince Bishop

3430. BERTRAM⁸⁵ 4-3, Ebor. 10; Misc. 1262.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". The prior tonsured and in monastic habit seated,
reading at a desk (Durham Seals, 64):

✠ SIGILLUM: BERTRAMI: PRIORIS: DUNELMENSIS: ECCLESIE

3431. BERTRAM OF MIDDLETON⁸⁶ 3-3, Finc. 7.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{5}{8}$ ". The prior tonsured and in monastic habit,
standing on a bracket, holding a book to his breast with both
hands. In the field on each side is a conventional tree (Durham
Seals, 64):

✠ SIGILL . B I : PRIORIS : DUNELMENS' . ECCL'IE

3432. HUGH OF DARLINGTON⁸⁷ 3-2, Ebor. 18.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times " , imperfect. The same design as no. 3431 with
altered legend (?) :

. RIORIS DUNE

3433. RICHARD OF CLAXTON⁸⁸ 2-1, Archiep. 22; A.D. 1278; 4-1,
Archiep. 3a, 3b; 1-8, Spec. 17.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{5}{8}$ ". The same design as nos. 3431, 3432, with altered
legend:

. RICA : PRIORIS DUNELMENS ECCL'IE

himself.' Their seals are not in a good state of preservation, being mostly much broken and decayed. I have however endeavoured on pl. 64, nos. 3430, 3431, 3435, 3439 and 3442 to give an example of each stage of development so that the changes in motive can be followed.

⁸⁴ A.D. 1163-1186. He was a monk of the convent. Scrip. Tres, 8 and xxxv; H.D. II, 69.

⁸⁵ A.D. 1188-1208. Scrip. Tres, 8 and xxxv; H.D. II, 70.

⁸⁶ A.D. 1244-1258. H.D. II, 74.

⁸⁷ A.D. 1258-1272. He was sub-prior under prior Bertram. He resigned because of infirmity A.D. 1272. Scrip. Tres, 48. After the resignation of prior Richard of Claxton, Hugh was re-elected and held the office from A.D. 1285-1289. He was elected 11th January, 1285, confirmed by bishop Antony Bek at Bagworth near Leicester, and installed by the clerk of the archdeacon on the Thursday after the feast of the Purification in the same year. Scrip. Tres, 72; H.D. II, 77 and 81.

⁸⁸ A.D. 1272, resigned A.D. 1285. He was prior of Holy Island. Robert of Graystones says that his election was confirmed at Darlington on the second day afterwards and that he was installed at Durham by the archdeacon of Durham on the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary (2nd February). The first note we have of these rites upon the election of a new prior. Scrip. Tres, 55; H.D. II, 80; S.B.M. 3094. Seal engraved S.D. seals, pl. XII, no. 2.

3434. RICHARD OF CLAXTON³⁹ Misc. 4872 ; A.D. 1286.
Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}$ " \times 1". Antique gem, a naked figure standing in front
of a horse :
✠ HEC FLOS .
3435. RICHARD OF HOTON⁴⁰ 4-1, Ebor. 43 ; A.D. 1292.
Oval, $2\frac{7}{8}$ " \times , imperfect. The prior standing on a carved
bracket, beneath a canopy with side shafts. He is in monastic
habit and holds a book to his breast with both hands. The field
of the seal is diapered (Durham Seals, 64) :
. ARDI : PRI DUNE
3436. WILLIAM OF TANFIELD⁴¹ Misc. 4442 ; A.D. 1310.
Oval, very imperfect. The prior standing beneath a canopy.
Above the canopy is TAN . . . LD, the field is diapered :
SI
3437. GEOFFREY OF BURDON⁴² Misc. 4314 ; A.D. 1317.
Oval, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". A tree above which is a human head and beneath
it, a dog asleep :

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

³⁹ Styled brother Richard of Claxton, late prior of Durham.

⁴⁰ A.D. 1289-1308. He was prior of the cell at Lytham. His election was confirmed by the bishop (Bek) on 28th March, 1289, and he was installed by the official of the archdeacon on 9th April. He died at Poitiers, 9th January, 1308. For a detailed account of his quarrel with bishop Antony, of his deposition, imprisonment and restitution, see 'The Bishopric of Durham under Antony Bek,' *Arch. Ael.* 3rd ser. ix, 89. *Scrip. Tres.* 73 and 84 ; H.D. II, 81.

⁴¹ A.D. 1308-1313. He was prior of Wetheral. The office was conferred upon him ('*vel potius vendidit quia pro illa collatione habuit Papa tria millia marcarum et cardinales mille*,' *Scrip. Tres.* 85), by the pope, at the request of the king (Edward II) and bishop Bek, 25th February, 1308. He was installed in the presence of Bek, the bishop of Carlisle and the abbot of St. Mary's, York, and many others, on the feast of St. Cuthbert in September (Sept. 4) 1308. *Scrip. Tres.* 85 ; H.D. II, 86. He resigned because of old age and infirmities about the feast of St. Barnabas (11th June), 1313 and was granted the cell of Jarrow with the manor of 'Wardley' for his maintenance (*Scrip. Tres.* 95). The seal, which is greatly destroyed, appears to be identical with that of prior Cowton no. 3438).

⁴² A.D. 1313-1322. He was sub-prior of Durham. Elected soon after the feast of SS. Peter and Paul the Apostles (June 29th), confirmed shortly afterwards and installed the same day. He resigned because of accusations brought against him at an Episcopal visitation (bishop Beaumont) ; he had a good defence but would not involve the convent

3438. WILLIAM OF COWTON ⁴³ . . Misc. 3469, 3592, 3867, 4008, 4400;
5-5, Elemos. 9.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times , imperfect. The prior standing on a carved bracket beneath a canopy, with side shafts, over which is COWTON. He is in monastic habit and holds a book to his breast with both hands. On the sinister side is a sunk quatrefoiled panel, within which is a head, that on the dexter is destroyed:

. PRIORIS ECC

3439. JOHN FOSSOR ⁴⁴ . . 3-I, Spec. 71; 3-II, Spec. 15; 2-17, Spec. 38;
2-4, Ebor. 37; 3-4, Ebor. 14, 23; 3-2, Elemos. 11.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". The prior, tonsured and in monastic habit, standing on an ornamental bracket beneath a crocketed canopy with side shafts, holding a book in front of his breast with both hands. In the field on the dexter, within a quatrefoiled panel is the mitred head of St. Cuthbert; in a like panel on the sinister is the crowned head of St. Oswald the king. Above each panel is a fleur de lys and beneath each is a cinquefoil. The field is diapered with a lozenge pattern enclosing a small ring. Above the canopy is FOSSOR (Durham Seals, 64):

SIGILLUM : IOHANNIS : PRIORIS : ECCLESIE : DUNELMENSIS

in the needful expense of litigation. He was granted the cell of Wearmouth with its tithes and those of Fulwell for his maintenance. Scrip. Tres, 85 and 102; H.D. II, 88. The seal is that which he uses for the procurations of the cardinals.

⁴³ A.D. 1322-1341. He was elected after the renunciation of William of Guisborough, confirmed by the bishop and installed on the Invention of the Holy Cross (3rd May), (Scrip. Tres, 102). He died at Pittington and was buried with the brethren in the cemetery of the monks at Durham. Scrip. Tres, 130; H.D. II, 88. His seals are all very imperfect.

⁴⁴ A.D. 1341-1374. He was a monk of Durham and master of Wearmouth. He was elected prior on 16th March and confirmed and installed on the last day of the same month (Scrip. Tres, 130). He placed the west window in the nave at Durham and the great north window in the transept; he replaced and repaired the church books, spent large sums on church ornaments and vessels as well as on various monastic buildings. He died at Bearpark in his 90th year, on the feast of St. Martin (12th November), 1374. His body was placed in an ox hide (Acct. Rolls, 581), and buried in the north aisle at Durham before the altar of SS. Nicholas and Giles (Scrip. Tres, 136). See also *Rites*, 53 and 218; Raine's 'Brief Account,' 34; Greenwell's 'Durham Cathedral,' 71, 77; H.D. II, 89; 'Official Heraldry of Durham,' (Herald and Genealogist VIII, 51); Foster's 'Durham Visitation Pedigrees,' 122. The seal is S.B.M. 3095 and is very imperfectly reproduced in Surtees, pl. XII, no. 1.

3440. PRIORS COWTON & FOSSOR⁴⁵ . Misc. 4161, 4167, 4195, 4275, 4284, 4372, 4373, 4219, 4312, 4495, 5379; A.D. 1330-1356. Oval, 1" × $\frac{7}{8}$ ". A demi-figure of St. Cuthbert holding crosier in his right hand, and in his left St. Oswald's head in front of his breast. Beneath is a demi-figure praying :

✠ ADE BERTE . PETO . SOLVE . TE . RITE . QUIETO

3441. ROBERT WALLWORTH⁴⁶ 3-10, Spec. 43; A.D. 1380. Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " × $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". St. Cuthbert seated in mass vestments beneath a canopy. His right hand is blessing and his left holds his crosier; and on his left arm the crowned head of St. Oswald lies sideways. On each side is a shield of arms, a cross patonce between four lions. Beneath is the tonsured figure of the prior in monastic habit praying :

ꝛ' : roberti : wallworht p'ori cl'ie catthedi' :
dñn . . .

3442. JOHN OF HEMINGBURGH⁴⁷ . 1-2, Arch. Northd. 30; A.D. 1401; 2-2, Arch. Northd. 3, 4, 5, 6.

⁴⁵ Seal used by them as collectors of tenths. S.B.M. 3096.

⁴⁶ A.D. 1374-1391. He is sometimes styled Robert Berrington of Wallworth. He was elected on the Monday next after the Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (11th December), 1374 and was confirmed and installed on the following Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord (24th December). Scrip. Tres, 136; H.D. II, 92. It was during his priorate that the priors of Durham received authority from the pope, second year of Urban VI (1380), to wear the pontifical insignia of mitre, crosier (*baculum pastorale*) ring, sandals, '*et aliis pontificalibus insigniis*'; this privilege was confirmed by the archbishop of York and the bishop of Durham in 1382. Scrip. Tres, app. cxxx, cxxxI, cxxxvi, cxxxvii, clxxxv; *Rites*, 23, 213. He resigned his office at Bearpark, 21st July, 1391 (Scrip. Tres, app. no. cxliv) and was granted chambers and a chapel at Finchale with the tithes of various townships (*ibid.*, app. no. cxlv). The seal shews the prior tonsured and in monastic habit before he had received authority to wear the *pontificalia*. No later seal of his is extant. The design is poor and badly executed. It is the first of the priors' seals with the legend in black letter and also the first on which armorials appear. The shield on each side bears the arms of the monastery blazoned *azure a cross patonce gold between four lions rampant silver*. See note to seal 3152 in this catalogue.

⁴⁷ A.D. 1391-1416. He was a native of Hemingbrough and a monk at Durham ('History of Hemingbrough,' p. 163). The license, from bishop Walter Skirlaw, for his election and the confirmation of his election are printed Scrip. Tres, app. nos. cxlvi and cxlix. He was buried under a marble slab in the south transept at Durham; his epitaph is recorded Scrip. Tres, p. 145; see also *Rites*, pp. 30 and 219; Durham Obit. Rolls (S.S. 31) pp. 63-71; H.D. II, 94. This is the first seal on which the prior appears in full

Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}''$. The same design as the previous seal, except that on the dexter side is a shield of arms, a cross patonce between four lions rampant, on the sinister a like shield charged with a chevron and three roundels in chief. Beneath is a demi-figure of the prior in pontificals and holding his crosier, praying (Durham Seals, 64):

s:iohis ecclie cathed . . dūnolmie

3443. JOHN OF HEMINGBURGH 3-1, Reg. 28; A.D. 1408.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}''$. Similar in general design to no. 3442:

. . IGILLU : IOHIS : DEI : GRACIA

3444. JOHN WESSINGTON⁴⁸ 2-2 Arch. Northd. 10; A.D. 1422
Oval, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{3}{4}''$. St. Cuthbert in mass vestments seated, in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work, blessing, St. Oswald's head on its side in his left hand and his crosier held diagonally in his left arm. On the dexter side is a shield of arms, a cross patonce between four lions rampant, on the sinister a shield two bars and in chief three molets. Beneath is a demi-figure of the prior praying:

s'iohis wesshyngton prioris ecclie cathe . . .
dūnolmie

3445. JOHN WESSINGTON . Loc. XXVIII, 26; A.D. 1431; 1-14, Spec. 30; A.D. 1433.

Octagonal signet, $\frac{1}{2}'' \times \frac{3}{8}''$. An eagle standing with raised wings above on a label, *Deo gras*.

3446. JOHN WESSINGTON Misc. 2363.
Octagonal signet, $\frac{3}{8}''$. An eagle standing with raised wings, in front of it I x.

episcopal vestments; it is also the first on which are the personal arms of the prior. The shield on the sinister bears the prior's arms, the blason of which is not known, that on the dexter the arms of the monastery.

⁴⁸ A.D. 1416-1446. He was a native of Washington, county Durham, a monk at Durham and sacrist from 1408 to 1416 (Acct. Rolls, 402). For account of his life and work see 'Miscellanea' (S.S. 127), p. 223 note and the references there given. The sinister shield is that of Washington blasoned *silver two bars and in chief three molets gules*. The seal is affixed to the face of the document.

3447. WILLIAM EBCHESTER⁴⁹ . Misc. 1487, Loc. xxvii, 13; A.D. 1448.
Oval, $2\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{5}{8}$ ". St. Cuthbert in mass vestments seated in a niche of rich tabernacle work; St. Oswald's head in his right hand and his crosier in his left. On the dexter side is a shield of arms a cross patonce between four lions rampant, on the sinister a shield a fess between three lions rampant. Beneath is the prior praying.

sigillb willi ebchestre p'oris ecclie cath dunelmie

3448. WILLIAM EBCHESTER⁵⁰
Round signet, $\frac{1}{2}$ ". W, a crown above it and beneath it *ebchestr*.
3449. JOHN BURNABY⁵¹ 1-3, Ebor. 21; Misc. 5850b.
Oval, $2\frac{5}{8}$ ", imperfect. St. Cuthbert in mass vestments, seated in a canopied niche, his crosier in his left hand, St. Oswald's head in his right. On his dexter side is a shield of arms a cross patonce between four lions rampant, on his sinister a shield bearing a cross engrailed between four cinquefoils. Beneath is the prior in pontificals with crosier praying:

. p'or s . ecl ath : dunelmie

3450. RICHARD BELL⁵² Loc. xxv, 85.
Signet, $\frac{3}{8}$ ". A bell.
3451. JOHN AUCKLAND⁵³ Loc. xxvii, 18; A.D. 1487.
Octagonal signet, $\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $\frac{3}{8}$ ". An eagle standing with raised wings, a branch in its mouth.

⁴⁹ A.D. 1446-1456. For note on his life and work see 'Miscellanea' (S.S. 127) p. 223 *note*. Also Durham Obit. Rolls (S.S. 31) preface, and 'Some Durham College Rolls,' by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston, p. 24. The shield on the sinister bears the prior's arms, the blason of which is not known.

⁵⁰ The reference to this seal is unfortunately lost.

⁵¹ A.D. 1456-1464. For a full account of his life and work see Durham Obit. Rolls (S.S. 31), preface and app. ix, p. 91; also *Rites* 34, and *note*; and 'Some Durham College Rolls,' by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston, p. 24. The blason of his arms, on the sinister shield, is unknown.

⁵² A.D. 1464-1478. He was sub-prior and had previously been nominated prior when Burnaby was elected (Durham Obit. Rolls, xv). He was prior of Finchale, A.D. 1457-1464 (Priory of Finchale, S.S. 6, xxviii). He was consecrated bishop of Carlisle in the year 1478 (Scrip. Tres, 149). He died A.D. 1496 and was buried in Carlisle cathedral. (H.D. II, 98); see also 'Durham College Rolls,' as above, p. 24.

⁵³ A.D. 1484-1494. (Scrip. Tres, 150; *Rites*, p. 34 and *note*³; 'Some Durham College Rolls,' as above, p. 24.

3452. DURHAM, ROBERT, SUB-PRIOR⁵⁴ OF . . . Misc. 2118; A.D. 1396.
Round, $\frac{3}{4}$ ". R (Durham Seals, 64):

✠ *ryner robert hoc signo et . . .*

3453. DURHAM, COMMISSARY OF THE PRIOR OF . Loc. VII, 37; A.D. 1408.
Oval, 2" \times 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". A seated figure wearing a mitre and holding a crosier. On the sinister side a shield of arms a cross engrailed between four cinquefoils⁵⁵:

sigillb ishis . . . burn . . .

3454. DURHAM, OFFICIAL OF THE ARCHDEACONRY⁵⁶ OF THE PRIOR OF . . .
1-2, Arch. Northd. 18; A.D. 1382; 1-2, Arch. Dunelm. 15;
1377:

Oval, 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ " \times 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". St. Cuthbert standing in a canopied niche, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier. Beneath is a figure, in monastic habit, praying:

S' ARCHIDIACONAT' ECLE DUNELME . . .

3455. DURHAM, OFFICIAL OF THE ARCHDEACONRY OF THE PRIOR OF . . .
1-12, Pont. 9; A.D. 1406; 1-2, Arch. Northd. 24; A.D.
1439; Loc. XVI, 6b; A.D. 1446; 15d, 15e, 16; Loc. xxvii,
6; A.D. 1464; Misc. 5557; A.D. 1457.

Oval, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ " \times 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ ". St. Cuthbert standing in a niche of rich tabernacle work, holding St. Oswald's head in his right hand and his crosier in his left. Beneath is a shield of arms a cross between four lions rampant⁵⁷.

✠ *s' officialis: archidiaconatus: prioris: dunelm*

3456. DURHAM, OFFICIAL OF THE ARCHDEACONRY OF THE PRIOR OF (IN
THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND) . Loc. XVI, 140, 142;
A.D. 1483.

Oval, 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ " \times 1". St. Cuthbert standing blessing, St. Oswald's head in his left hand:

SIGILLUM

⁵⁴ For account of the office and duties of the sub-prior see Acct. Rolls (S.S. 103) intro. vii.

⁵⁵ This is evidently the seal of prior John Burnaby, the arms being the same as on his seal no. 3449. It is here used by John Seton, styled commissary of John, prior of Durham.

⁵⁶ Chronica Rogeri de Hoveden 1, p. 138 (Rolls Series), H.D. 11, 62.

⁵⁷ The use on this seal of the arms of the bishopric, blazoned *azure a cross gold between four lions rampant silver* in place of the arms of the priory, is to be noted. The confusion is made worse by the shield being placed beneath St. Cuthbert.

3457. DURHAM, ALMONER⁵⁸ OF 1-1, Elemos. 2.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". In the upper part on a double niche, the coronation
of the Virgin (?); beneath in a similar niche two standing figures;
in a roundel at each side and beneath a head:

✠ VIRGO : MARIA : VALE : MICHI : DA : COR : SPIRITUALE

- 3457a. DURHAM, H. OF HORNCASTLE, SACRIST OF⁵⁹ 3-2, Spec. 7.
Round, 1". Antique gem, a naked male figure, by his side a bird
on a pillar:

✠ AVE MARIA GRACIA PLENA

3458. DURHAM, HENRY FERYBY⁶⁰ SACRIST OF 4-3, Sacr. 15; A.D.
1427.

Octagonal signet, $\frac{3}{4}$ " $\frac{1}{2}$ ". A monogram (?)

3459. DUEHAM, R. HOSTILLAR⁶¹ OF 4-16, Spec. 28.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". Antique gem, an animal:

. MECUM EST

3460. DURHAM, JOHN OF IARUM,^{61a} A MONK OF Misc. 5296.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". St. Cuthbert standing blessing, holding St.
Oswald's head in front of his breast. Beneath is a demi-figure
praying:

S' IOHANNIS : DE : IARUM ACHI : DUNELMENSIS

3461. EASBY,⁶² ABBOT OF ST. AGATHA'S OF 2-1, Spec. 7, 37.
Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". The abbot seated, in monastic habit, holding
his crosier in his right hand and a book to his breast in his left.

✠ SIGILLUM . A . BATIS SANCTE AGATHE

⁵⁸ An obediary of the monastery for his duties see Acct. Rolls (S.S. 103) intro. xxxviii. See also *Rites* (S.S. 107) p. 275 and 'Clark,' p. 173. This seal is used by Nicholas styled almoner of Durham.

⁵⁹ An obediary of the monastery, the chief officer connected with the service of the church and the general care of the building and ornaments. For his duties see Acct. Rolls (S.S. 103) intro. x and 'Clark,' p. 69. At Durham he was known as 'Maister Sagersten' (*Rites*, S.S. 107, p. 97). This charter is printed N.C.H. vii, p. 147.

⁶⁰ He was cellarer A.D. 1408-10 (Acct. Rolls, p. 53), hostillar 1423-24 (*ibid.* 141). He was prior of Finchale A.D. 1439-1450 (The Priory of Finchale (S.S. 6) xxviii).

⁶¹ For the duties of his office see Acct. Rolls (S.S. 103) p. xxxi and 'Clark,' p. 181. The date of the charter is the time of Bertram the prior A.D. 1188-1208.

^{61a} Now Yarm in Cleveland; see 'Guisbrough Chartulary (S.S. 86), p. 164 n.

⁶² Near Richmond, Yorkshire. An abbey of Premonstratensian canons, dedicated to St. Agatha, founded A.D. 1152 by Roald, constable of Richmond castle; colonised from

3462. EASBY, ABBEY OF ST. AGATHA OF 3-1, Ebor. 9.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. A robed female figure (St. Agatha⁶³), holding a
palm branch in her left hand and in her right a book to her breast:

SIGILLUM ECCLESIE SANCTE AGATHE

3463. ELSHAM,⁶⁴ PRIORY OF 3-3, Ebor. 9
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{7}{8}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated, holding
the child Christ on her knee; a sceptre in her right hand:

✠ SIGILLUM . CO IE DE ELLESHAM

Secretum, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. Demi-figure of Our Lady with Christ, beneath
a demi-figure praying:

S' ROB'TI PRIORIS DE ELLESHAM

3464. EVESHAM,⁶⁵ ABBEY OF 2-4, Ebor. 26; A.D. 1243.
Oval, $2\frac{7}{8}'' \times 2''$. Our Lady robed and crowned, seated on a throne,
presenting a crosier to a standing figure vested in alb, stole,
dalmatic and chasuble, and holding a palm branch (?) in his left
hand (St. Ecgvine). Above them is a crescent and a star:

. SCI . EG

Newhouse. Mon. Ang. vi, 921; Not. Mon. 664; V.C.H. Yorks. iii, 245; Coll. Angl. Praemons. ed. Gasquet, II, p. 1 *et seq.* This seal is S.B.M. 3099. Two armorial shields are blazoned for this abbey in Tonge's Visit. (S.S. 41), p. 43; (1) *azure a bend gold and a crosier bendways sinister gold*, being the differenced arms of Henry lord Scrope of Bolton a great benefactor of the abbey; (2) *gules two bars gemell and a chief gold over all a crosier paleways gold*, the differenced shield of Roald the constable blazoned for him in Grimaldi's roll *goules ove deux gemeux et une chief d'or*. See S.B.M. 3101. There is a paper with a plan of the abbey in Yorks. Arch. Jour. x, 117, by Sir W. H. St. John Hope. See also Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 45.

⁶³ Virgin and Martyr, patron saint of Catania, Sicily. She is usually represented carrying her severed breast in a dish. There are only two other ancient dedications to her in England, namely, Brightwell (Berks.) and Gilling (Yorks.) S.C.D. III, 321. This seal is used by R. styled abbot of St. Agatha. Richard of Berningham, abbot early in fourteenth century.

⁶⁴ Lincolnshire. A priory of Austin canons, dedicated to St. Mary and St. Edmund, founded by Beatrice d'Amundeville before A.D. 1166. Mon. Ang. vi, 559; Visits. Linc. 163; V.C.H. Lincoln II, 171. The seal is here used by Robert, styled prior of 'Ellesham'; that is Robert Newsham, elected prior A.D. 1303.

⁶⁵ Worcestershire. A Benedictine abbey dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary with whom, in later years, the founder was associated, founded by St. Ecgvine, third bishop of Worcester, on land granted by king Ethelred, *circa* A.D. 701. Mon. Ang. II, 1; V.C.H. Worcester II, 112; 'Abbatiae de Evesham Chronicon' (Rolls Series) S.B.M. 3113-3119.

Secretum, oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, a seated figure :

✠ PAC

3465. EVESHAM, ABBEY OF ⁶⁶ 2-4, Ebor. 13 ; A.D. 1274.

Obverse, oval, $3\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $2\frac{3}{8}$ ". In base the swineherd Eoves in loose girt gown and cloak, standing bare-headed holding his hat with round top and broad brim in his right hand and pointing upwards with his left. He is represented, as in a forest, with a tree at each side below is (a sow suckling a pig ?), and surrounding him is a trefoiled scroll on which are the words : EOVES HER [WONEDE ANT] WAS SWON FOR I [ME'] CLEPET þis EOVIŠHOM. Above, in the centre, is a representation of the abbey church, below it, on the dexter, is Our Lady robed and crowned, her right hand holding a cross paty, her left upholding one side of the church ; behind her are two attendant female saints ; on the sinister is St. Ecgwin, the bishop in mitre and pontificals kneeling and upholding with both hands the other side of the church ; behind him is a tree, on one of the lower branches of which a monk is seated, and in front of him another monk seated and resting his head on his hand :

SIGILLUM SANCTE MARIE ET SANC [TI ECGWINI EPIS]
COPI EVESHAMENSIS MONASTERII

Reverse ; above is the abbey church ; below it, on the dexter, is Our Lady robed and crowned, seated on a throne holding a sceptre in her right hand and a fleur de lys in her left, on her left knee is seated the child Christ, also robed, who upholds the church with both hands, on the sinister side is St. Ecgwin, the bishop in full pontificals with crosier and mitre kneeling and upholding the church with both hands, behind him is a bird flying. Beneath, under a trefoiled arch, is represented a charter from which hangs an oval seal, on which are three leopards ; on

⁶⁶ The subject, in base, is the legend of Eoves the swineherd who saw, in a vision, the Blessed Virgin. Bishop Ecgwine, hearing this, went to the place and saw the same vision receiving also a command, from Our Lady, to build a monastery on the spot. The legend, in the English tongue, refers to this story : ' Eoves dwelt here and was a swineherd, therefore men call this Eovesham.' The reverse represents kings Ethelred, Kenred and Offa handing the charter of endowment to St. Ecgwine. This seal is engraved V.C.H. Lincoln II, pl. II.

the charter, in two lines, of Lombardic letters, are the words MAN (?) REGIE LIBERTATI; above the charter is the Hand of God, issuing from clouds, blessing. On the dexter, receiving the charter, with both hands, is the kneeling figure of St. Ecgwin; behind him stands a robed figure carrying the bishop's crosier in his left hand and with his right steadying the bishop's mitre. On the sinister is the seated figure of a king, robed and crowned, who hands the charter to Ecgwin, and standing beside him are two kings also robed and crowned :

DICTIS : ECGWINI : REGES : [DA]NT MUNERA TR[INI OMNI]-
BUS : UNDE : PIE : NITET . AVLA . SACRATA . MARIE

3466. EVESHAM, THOMAS,^{66a} ABBOT OF, 2-4, Ebor. 15.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a standing nude figure :

. . . BSIT NARD . . . ERO SIB . . TR . . . TER

3467. EVESHAM, CHAMBERLAIN AND PROCTOR OF THE ABBOT OF
. 2-4, Ebor. 16; A.D. 1244.

(1) Round, $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, very indistinct.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

(2) A fragment not to be deciphered.

3468. EYNHAM,⁶⁷ THOMAS, ABBOT OF . Misc. 5228c, 5228d; A.D.
1405-08.

Round, $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Our Lady robed and crowned seated, with the child Christ on her knee, in a canopied niche. Beneath is a demi-figure of the prior in monastic habit and with crosier :

g'tha abb : de eynesham

3469. FARNE,⁶⁸ RICHARD EDEN, MASTER OF . . Misc. 5875; A.D. 1400.

^{66a} A.D. 1145-1153.

⁶⁷ Oxfordshire. A Benedictine abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Benedict and All Saints, first founded by Aethelmar A.D. 1005; refounded by Rémi, bishop of Lincoln, at Stow in Lindsey, A.D. 1091 and finally restored at Eynsham by Robert Bloet, bishop of Lincoln, circa A.D. 1094. Mon. Ang. III, 1; Visits. Liñc. 154; V.C.H. Oxford II, 65. This seal is that of Thomas Bradyngstock, confirmed abbot 3rd October, 1388. The common seal is S.B.M. 3142; see also 'The Eynsham Cartulary,' ed. H. E. Salter (Oxford Hist. Soc.).

⁶⁸ A cell of Benedictine monks subordinate to Durham priory. A list of the masters is given R.N.D. 343 and charters printed *ibid.* app. 122-123. See also Mon. Ang. IV, 430; Not. Mon. 394.

Oval, $1'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. A female figure robed and holding a covered vase in her right hand. The field of seal is powdered with roses :

. . . OHIS . . . API IRGO

3470. FARNE, RICHARD EDEN, MASTER OF . . . Loc. XVI, 4d ; A.D. 1406.

Oval, $1'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. Our Lady with Christ standing in a canopied niche. On the dexter side is St. Cuthbert with crosier in his right hand and St. Oswald's head in his left ; on the sinister is St. Michael spearing the dragon.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3471. FINCHALE,⁶⁹ PRIOR AND CONVENT OF . . . Misc. 3378 ; A.D. 1278.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}''$, very imperfect. A figure standing.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3472. FINCHALE,⁷⁰ JOHN, PRIOR OF 4-I, Finc. 9.

Oval, very imperfect. A standing figure in monastic habit holding a book in his left hand.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3473. FINCHALE,⁷¹ PETER, PRIOR OF [G].

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. The prior in monastic habit standing, blessing, his crosier in his left hand :

. . . GILLUM PETRI S DE FINCHA . . .

3474. FINCHALE,⁷² RALPH, PRIOR OF 4-I, Finc. 13.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. St. Michael spearing the dragon :

✠ ANGELICO S . . NO . . . ULTI CARMINA SIGNO

⁶⁹ On the north bank of the Wear, about three miles from Durham, Ralph Flambard granted a hermitage here to St. Godric (De Vita et Miraculis S. Godrici Heremitae de Finchale, &c., S.S. vol. 20), who dedicated it to St. John Baptist. After St. Godric's death, two Durham monks retired to his hermitage, to whom bishop Hugh Puiset made a further grant. Henry Puiset was however the real founder of the priory when he transferred there the monks he had placed first at Haswell and then at the New Place upon Brun, it then became a Benedictine priory subordinate to Durham. 'The Priory of Finchale,' S.S. 6 ; *Rites*, S.S. 107 *passim* ; Mon. Ang. iv, 331 ; H.D. II, 320.

⁷⁰ He was prior towards end of 12th century. This charter is printed 'Priory of Finchale' (S.S. 6), p. 62. Seal engraved *ibid*, p. 63.

⁷¹ Peter does not appear in list of priors given in S.S. 6 nor in Mon. Ang.

⁷² Prior about mid-thirteenth century. This charter is printed and seal engraved S.S. 6, p. 67.

3475. FINCHALE,⁷³ THOMAS DAUTRE, PRIOR OF I-I, Finc. 13.
Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". A demi-figure of a bishop blessing. Beneath is
the demi-figure of a monk praying:

✠ AVE BEATI . . TO SOL TE MITE QUIETO

3476. FINCHALE,⁷⁴ RICHARD BELL, prior of . . Loc. XVI, 12e; A.D. 1464.
Oval, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". Our Lord on the Cross with figures of St. Cuthbert
and St. Oswald beneath; Below all is a figure of the prior praying:
S' SI DEGR . . . SH MONACH . .

3477. FOUNTAINS, ABBEY OF⁷⁵ 2-5, Reg. 4, 5; A.D. 1424.
Round, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Our Lady robed and crowned, standing with the
Christ child on her left arm. On each side are three kneeling
figures in monastic habit, the upper one on the sinister side is
the abbot holding his crosier. In the upper part of the seal is
the abbey church, and above it on the dexter is the mitred head
of an archbishop with his cross; on the sinister the mitred head
of an abbot with his crosier divided by the heads are the figures
1410. The field of the seal is beautifully diapered with foliage
and roses; the inner border of the legend is cusped (Durham
Seals, 62):

. . . ne . abbatis i conbentibz : de : ffontibus

Secretum, round, $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Armorial, a cross between four lions rampant⁷⁶
(Durham Seals, 62):

✠ benedicite . fontes . domino

⁷³ A.D. 1405-1411. S.S. 6, CXXXIII-CLV.

⁷⁴ A.D. 1457-1464. He was afterwards prior of Durham and later bishop of Carlisle (note 52); S.S. 6, CCLXV. The seal is that '*quo utor in dicta cella*.'

⁷⁵ Yorkshire. A Cistercian abbey dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was colonised A.D. 1132 by thirteen monks from the Benedictine abbey of St. Mary, York, who left that abbey to adopt the stricter rule of St. Bernard. Thurstan, archbishop of York, granted them a site on the river Skell. '*Memorials of Fountains Abbey*' (S.S. 42 and 67); Mon. Ang. v, 286; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 134; Yorks. Arch. Journal xv, 269; also Record Series, xvii, 61. These charters are printed Scrip. Tres, pp. ccxii and cccclv.

^{75a} Probably Thurstan of York and St. Bernard of Clervaux.

⁷⁶ This, so far as device goes, is the same shield as that borne for the bishopric of Durham, sometimes called the arms of St. Oswald. The same charges were used by the priory of Austin canons at Nostell (no. 3531), near Pontefract, dedicated to St. Oswald and blasoned *gules a cross between four lions rampant gold* (Tonge's Visit. S.S. 41, p. 78).

3478. FOUNTAINS, WALTER,^{76a} ABBOT OF . . . Misc. 5883; A.D. 1329.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}$ ", very imperfect. A standing figure.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3479. FRIARS MINOR IN ENGLAND⁷⁷ . . . Misc. 6881; A.D. 1434; 6759;
A.D. 1438.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{8}$ ". The martyrdom of St. Thomas of Canterbury.
Beneath is the minister praying. Above, in compartment of
tracery, is the head of Our Lord (Durham Seals, 63):

✠ S' MINIST. FR'M: MI'ORV'. P'VICIE. ANGLIE

3480. GARENDON, GEOFFREY,⁷⁸ ABBOT OF 2-3, Ebor. 14.
Round, $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Equestrian, the abbot in armour holding a shield on
his left arm and his crosier in his right hand:

✠ SIGILLUM GALFRIDI ABATIS

The Benedictine abbey of Bardney, Lincolnshire, dedicated to SS. Peter, Paul and Oswald, where king Oswald's body was first buried, bore the same shield with the same blason but made the cross paty (or flory). The form of cross usually attributed to St. Cuthbert, but there obviously used for Oswald. Visits. Linc. 153; Seal B.M. 2582, 2586; E.H. 354. Though neither king Oswald nor St. Cuthbert had any direct connection with Fountains, I cannot but think that there also this shield, though the blason is unknown, was intended to refer to them or to one of them. St. Cuthbert was at Ripon when the monastery was established, and his body rested there for some months during its wanderings; many churches in the district are dedicated in his honour, and abbot Marmaduke Huby built his chapel at Winksley '*in honore Dei et Sancti Cuthberti et Oswaldi*' ('Memorials of Fountains,' S.S. 42, p. 152 n.). He was abbot towards the end of the 15th century and this seal is of the same century. *Azure three horseshoes gold* is the shield given in Tonge's Visit. (S.S. 41, p. 51 and note); see also 'Herald and Genealogist,' II, 459.

^{76a} Walter of Cokewald, A.D. 1316-1336 (V.C.H. Yorks. III, 138).

⁷⁷ Called also Franciscans from their founder St. Francis of Assisi (A.D. 1209). They were also known as the Seraphic Order, Friars Minor or Minorites, because they held themselves inferior to other religious orders, and Grey Friars from the colour of their habit. Mon. Ang. VI, 1502; 'The Friars and how they came to England.' This seal is used A.D. 1434 by Thomas '*minister fratrum minorum in Anglia*,' and in A.D. 1438 by Richard, styled the same. S.B.M. 4440.

⁷⁸ Leicestershire. A Cistercian abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded A.D. 1133 by Robert le Bossu, earl of Leicester, for monks from Waverley. Mon. Ang. v, 328; Not. Mon. 237. This is the only ecclesiastical seal at Durham on which a dignitary of the church appears in warlike guise (always excepting the chancery seals of the bishops of Durham) though he modifies his arms of offence by brandishing a crosier instead of a sword. The date of the charter is about mid-twelfth century. The first witness is 'R comes Leicester,' that is Robert le Bossu, A.D. 1118-1168, another witness is Richard,

3481. GUISBOROUGH,⁷⁹ PRIORY OF . 3-8, Spec. 15 ; 2-1, Ebor. 8, 9, 12 ;

A.D. 1199.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{7}{8}$ ". A female figure (Our Lady) in conventual dress, seated at a lectern, reading a book. A star in front (Durham Seals, 63) :

✠ SIGILLUM . SANCTE . MARIE . DE GISEBURC

Secretum, oval, 1" \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". A bird :

✠ SIGILLUM : SECRETI :

3482. GUISBOROUGH, PRIOR⁸⁰ OF Loc. XIX, 15 ; A.D. 1241.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ ", imperfect. Our Lady robed and crowned, seated with the child Christ on her knee. Beneath is a demi-figure praying :

. GILL P N

3483. GUISBOROUGH, PRIOR⁸¹ OF 3-8, Spec. 14 ; A.D. 1248

Oval, imperfect, \times $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". Now perished (1915) :

. ARIE

Secretum, oval, imperfect, $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Demi-figure of Our Lady holding Christ :

✠ AVE MARIA GRA DNS . TECU .

3484. GUISBOROUGH, JOHN,⁸² PRIOR OF . Misc. 3372 ; A.D. 1353 ;

3643 ; A.D. 1357 ; 3654 ; A.D. 1359 ; 4011, 4012, 4444 ; A.D. 1357 ; 4466 ; A.D. 1348 ; 4746.

abbot of Leicester A.D. 1144-1167. Among the other witnesses, rather curiously, appear 'E. uxore G. abbatis et Gaufrido clerico filio ejus.' The arms attributed to this abbey were *gules a cinquefoil ermine and a crosier bendways gold*, similar to the shield of Leicester abbey and both deriving from the shield of Robert fitz Pernell, earl of Leicester, A.D. 1191-1206. The document is printed S.S. 66, p. xvii, note 1.

⁷⁹ Cleveland, Yorkshire. A priory of Austin canons, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded *circa* A.D. 1119 by Robert Brus by the advice of pope Calixtus II and archbishop Thurstan. Giseburn was its usual name in the middle ages. Mon. Ang. vi, 265 ; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 208 ; 'Cart. Prior. de Gyseburne,' S.S. 86 and 89 ; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 73. This seal is engraved V.C.H. *ibid.* pl. II and is S.B.M. 3186. The arms of the priory were *silver a lion rampant azure and a bend gules*, the differenced shield of its founder Brus. Tonge's Visit. S.S. 41, p. 24.

⁸⁰ John prior *circa* A.D. 1239-1255. V.C.H. Yorks. III, 212 ; S.S. 86, p. xxvii.

⁸¹ Same man and probably the same seal as preceding one but with *secretum*.

⁸² John of Darlington, A.D. 1346-1364 (*op. cit.*).

Oval, $2'' \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$. The Annunciation, Gabriel holds a scroll on which is AVE MARIA; between the figures is a pot with a lily in it. Beneath is a figure praying. Above is a demi-figure of God the Father, both hands raised in benediction:

S'IO IGT . . PRIORIS DE G URN

3485. GUISBOROUGH, JOHN,⁸³ PRIOR OF . . . Misc. 4752; A.D. 1433.
Round, $\frac{7}{8}''$. Armorial, three leaves with stalks:

* S' TI DE E

3486. GUISBOROUGH, SUB-PRIOR OF . . . 2-4, Ebor. 30; A.D. 1298.
Oval, imperfect. A nimbed figure standing.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3487. GUISBOROUGH, CELLARER⁸⁴ OF . . . Misc. 3588; A.D. 1351.
Oval, $1'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. An archbishop, in pall and full pontificals, blessing a kneeling figure, in monastic habit, who holds up in both hands a pot, from which grows a two-stalked flower. The field of seal is powdered with quatrefoils (Durham Seals, 62).

NO LEGEND.

3488. GUISBOROUGH, PROCTOR⁸⁵ OF THE PRIOR OF . Misc. 3820; A.D. 1362.
Oval, $1'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. A bishop standing, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier:

. ECCLEIE DE . . . EDLING . . UN

3489. GODSTOW,⁸⁶ ABBEY OF 1-5, Ebor. 8, 9.
Oval, $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{3}{8}''$, dished: Our Lady robed and crowned seated on a throne. St. John Baptist stands in front of her, holding in

⁸³ Same man as preceding. In the charter he is styled collector of tenths within the archdeaconry of Cleveland and the seal that '*quo utimur in hac parte.*'

⁸⁴ Styled brother Robert of Couton, cellarer of 'Gyseburne.'

⁸⁵ Used by Roger of Merrington, styled proctor of the prior and convent of 'Gyseburne.'

⁸⁶ Oxfordshire. An abbey of Benedictine nuns, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. John Baptist, founded *circa* A.D. 1133 by Edith, widow of Sir John Launcelene, upon a site given by Sir John St. John. Mon. Ang. iv, 357; Not. Mon. 422; Visits. Linc. app. 1, p. 156; V.C.H. Oxford II, 71. The seal is S.B.M. 3209. The device of the seal represents the two patron saints of the abbey with the first abbess and founder (Edith) kneeling in base. It is here used by Mabel, styled abbess of "Godestowe"—Mabel la Wafre *circa* A.D. 1283-1295. This seal is engraved pl. 1 'Some Durham College Rolls,' by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston.

his right hand the Holy Lamb, and in his left a scroll inscribed :
ECCE AGNVS DEI. A kneeling figure prays to her, over whose
head is EDIVA :

✠ SIGILLUM SCE MARIE ET SCI IOHIS BAPTISTE GODE-
STOENS' ECCL'IE .

3490. HARTLEPOOL, WARDEN OF THE FRIARS MINOR⁸⁷ OF . Misc. 6859* ;
A.D. 1479.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Two figures standing under canopies, the dexter
wearing a mitre and holding a crosier ; the sinister nimbed and
blessing ; in his left hand he holds a cross. Beneath is a figure
of the warden parying :

✠ . gardiani fratrum minoru hertipol

3491. HEALAUGH PARK,⁸⁸ PRIORY OF . . 2-11, Spec. 7 ; Misc. 2059.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{8}$ ". A figure in monastic habit, holding a book to
his breast with both hands :

✠ SIGILL . SANCTI IOHIS : DE : PAR . .

3492. HEXHAM,⁸⁹ PRIORY OF . . 2-3, Pont. 16 ; A.D. 1378 ; Misc. 6565 ;
6565* ; A.D. 1356.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". A figure standing holding a scroll with both
hands, upon it ? beneath the ends of the scroll is a
cross. On the flat edging is CART

. CLESI . . . HAGUS

⁸⁷ Co. Durham. A house of Franciscan or Grey Friars, founded by Robert Brus before A.D. 1258. Mon. Ang. vi, 1129 ; H.D. iii, 33 ; S.D. iii, 119. The seal is here used by '*frater Willelmus guardianus et servus fratrum minorum Hertelpulisi.*'

⁸⁸ Yorkshire. (The Ainsty) Gilbert, a monk of Marmoutier built a hermitage and church here, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. John the Evangelist, upon a site granted to him by Bertram Haget, about the middle of the twelfth century. Jordan of St. Mary and Alice his wife, a grand-daughter of the founder, established there a priory of Austin canons circa A.D. 1218. Mon. Ang. vi, 437 ; Not. Mon. 680 ; V.C.H. Yorks. iii, 216 ; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 89. The seal is used by '*Henricus prior de Parco de Helaghe,*' probably Henry of Quetelay, who occurs as prior A.D. 1264.

⁸⁹ Northumberland. Founded by St. Wilfrid, circa A.D. 674, dedicated to St. Andrew. Henry I granted Hexhamshire to the church of York, and archbishop Thomas II, circa A.D. 1113, placed there a priory of Austin canons. Mon. Ang. vi, 179 ; N.C.H. iii, 177 ; 'Priory of Hexham,' S.S. 44 and 46 ; 'Priory Church of St. Andrew, Hexham,' by C. C. Hodges.

3493. HEXHAM,⁹⁰ PRIORY OF 3-7, Spec. 25; A.D. 1312.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{4}''$. St. Andrew on his cross; above him is the hand of God blessing; on each side of him is a standing figure nailing him to the cross (?)
- ✠ SIGILL' PR ILDESHAM
3494. HEXHAM, ALEXANDER⁹¹ PRIOR OF . . Misc.; A.D. 4355, 1380.
Oval, very imperfect. A nimbed and bearded figure standing in a niche of rich tabernacle work, his right hand blessing, his left holding a book to his breast.
- LEGEND DESTROYED.
3495. HOLY ISLAND,⁹² WILLIAM OF ASLAKBY, PRIOR OF . Misc. 5184.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. The seal of the officiality of the archdeacon of Durham. See no. 3263 and pl. no. 60.
3496. HOLY ISLAND, THOMAS WARDE,⁹³ PRIOR OF . Misc. 5187; A.D. 1448.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1''$. Our Lady robed and crowned seated. Beneath in a canopied niche is a figure standing, holding a cross in a circle. Beneath is the half figure of the prior praying:
- XPE . CARENS . PI . . . PRECE ME . SALVA . . . ITINE
3497. HOLY ISLAND, JOHN MIDDLEHAM,⁹⁴ PRIOR OF . Misc. 5785;
A.D. 1464.
Round signet, $\frac{1}{2}''$. An eagle with raised wings on a scroll above it *midelham*.
3498. HOLYSTONE,⁹⁵ PRIORY OF Misc. 6576; A.D. 1432.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}'' \times 1\frac{1}{2}''$. Our Lady seated holding Christ:
- SIGI E . M AN

⁹⁰ Seal engraved 'Priory of Hexham,' S.S. 44, p. CXL.

⁹¹ Alexander of Marton, prior A.D. 1367, *circa* 1397. 'Priory of Hexham,' S.S. 44, p. CLXVII, engraved *ibid.* CLXIX.

⁹² The monastery of Lindisfarne was founded by St. Oswin, A.D. 635 (Sym. i, 19, Rolls). It was completely destroyed by the Danes A.D. 793 (Sym. i, 51). William of Saint-Calais made Lindisfarne (Holy Island) part of the endowment of Durham and a priory of Benedictine monks subordinate to Durham was established there *circa* A.D. 1093. Mon. Ang. iv, 687; R.N.D. 73, charters are printed *ibid.* pp. 115-122. This seal is used by William of Aslakby, who was prior A.D. 1395.

⁹³ Prior A.D. 1448. (R.N.D. 82).

⁹⁴ Prior A.D. 1458 (*ibid.*); see seal 1779 in this catalogue.

⁹⁵ Upper Coquetdale, Northumberland. A priory of Benedictine nuns, founded to

3499. JERVAULX,⁹⁶ ABBEY OF I-I, Ebor. 24; A.D. 1443.
Oval, $2\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated, holding the child Christ. Beneath in a crocketed niche, standing in mass vestments, is the abbot, holding his crosier in his right hand and a book in his left; on each side of him, in a smaller niche, stands a monk in surplice and hood (Durham Seals, 63):

S'ABBATIS : ET : CONVENTUS : BEATĒ : MARIE : DE : IORE-
VALLE

Secretum, oval, $2\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Two crosier heads, with impression of thumb between (Durham Seals, 63):

✠ CONT LLIS ✠ CONT LLIS

3500. JARROW,⁹⁷ MASTER OF THE CELL OF . . . Misc. 5383; A.D. 1341.
Oval, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". St. Catherine holding her wheel, standing in an eight-foiled flower. The field of the seal is diapered with a floral pattern.

NO LEGEND.

wards the end of twelfth century by — Umfraville of Harbottle. This deed names Catherine Moll as prioress in succession to Joan Bagot. Mon. Ang. iv, 196. See also 'Upper Coquetdale,' by D. D. Dixon.

⁹⁶ Yorkshire. A Cistercian abbey dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded A.D. 1145 by Akary fitz Bardolf (ancestor of the lords Fitz Hugh), who granted a site at Fors near Askrigg to Peter de Quiney, a monk of the order of Savigny, one of the reformed Benedictine orders; very shortly afterwards the convent became subject to the Cistercian house of Byland. In 1156 the abbey was translated to a new site on the banks of the Ure, hence its name. Mon. Ang. v, 567; V.C.H. Yorks. iii, 138; Yorks. Arch. Journal, xxi, 301; *ibid.* Record Series, xvii, 92; Tonge (S.S. 41), p. 45, gives the arms of the abbey. Quarterly, 1, gold three water bougets sable; Ros. II, Barry silver and azure a border engrailed sable; Parr. III, Azure three braced chevrons and a chief gold; Fitzhugh iv, Vair a fess gules, Marmion; being the arms of Sir Thomas Parr, who married the heiress of the last lord Fitzhugh. It would appear very doubtful if the abbey ever used such arms. A seal in the B.M. (no. 3315), gives the undifferenced arms of Fitz Hugh azure three braced chevrons and a chief gold on the dexter side of the seal and a shield bearing a saltire on the sinister. S.B.M. 3316 has Fitzhugh on the dexter; the sinister shield is missing, and in base a shield bearing three bars, probably the personal shield of the abbot.

⁹⁷ Durham. The ancient monastery here, dedicated to St. Paul and founded by Benedicti Biscop, circa A.D. 684, was destroyed by the Danes A.D. 870, and again by the Conqueror A.D. 1070. Shortly after this date Aldwin, a monk of Winchcombe, with two companions from Evesham, settled here under the patronage of bishop Walcher (Sym. i, 9). In A.D. 1083 the monks, then at Jarrow, were removed by bishop William

3501. KIRKHAM,⁹⁸ PRIORY OF . I-2, Spec. 13, 24; A.D. 1253; 3-2, Spec. 6, 13.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{7}{8}$ ", dished. Our Lord seated, with cruciferous nimbus, his right hand blessing, his left holding a book:

: SIGILLUM SANCTE TRINITATIS DE CHIRCHAM

Secretum to I-2, Spec. 24.
Round, $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Antique gem, two female figures:

SINGNUM SERVI DEI:

3502. KIRKHAM, PRIOR OF . Misc. 4149, 4366; A.D. 1330; 4780; A.D. 1332.

Oval, 1" \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". The head of Our Lord with cruciferous nimbus:

* S' SUB STAR . . .⁹⁹

3503. KIRKHAM, PRIOR AND CONVENT OF . . Misc. 4632; A.D. 1334.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Our Lady standing, holding the child Christ¹⁰⁰:

* MATER. DEI MEMENTO MEI

3504. KIRKHAM,¹⁰¹ PRIOR OF . Misc. 3449, 3564, 3878, 4783, 5092, 5097; A.D. 1336-93.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Our Lord, with cruciferous nimbus, seated in a canopied niche, blessing, and holding a book in his left hand.

of Saint-Calais, to Durham, after which Jarrow became a cell subordinate to Durham. Mon. Ang. i, 502; Not. Mon. iii; H.D. ii, 470; S.D. ii, 66; see also 'Acct. Rolls of Jarrow and Monkwearmouth,' S.S. 29. This seal is used by John of Beverley, styled '*magister cellae de Jarrow*.'

⁹⁸ East Riding of Yorkshire. A priory of Austin canons dedicated to the Holy Trinity, founded circa A.D. 1121 by Walter Espec. Mon. Ang. vi, 207; V.C.H. Yorks. iii, 219; 'Chartulary of Rievaulx,' S.S. 83, intro.; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series xvii, 101. This seal is engraved V.C.H. Yorks. iii, pl. facing p. 212. It is used here by A. prior, probably Andrew, prior at the beginning of the thirteenth century.

⁹⁹ Seal used as sub-collector of tenths. Robert of Wilton was then prior.

¹⁰⁰ Seal used by the prior and convent as collectors of the annual tenths '*sigillum quo utimur in hac parte*.'

¹⁰¹ The roses on this seal refer to the founder Walter Espec, who bore on his shield *gules three roses silver*, the water bougets are from the shield of Ros of Hamlake, who bore *gules three bougets silver*. Peter of Ros (ob. A.D. 1157) married Atheline youngest daughter and co-heiress of Walter Espec. 'Hist. Peerage,' 178. On the origin of this shield see *Arch. Ael.* 3rd ser. iii, 277. Tonge (S.S. 41) gives for the arms of the priory *gules three bougets silver and a prior's staff paleways*, that is the differenced shield of Ros. of Hamlake. See also East Riding Soc. Trans. viii, p. 1.

Beneath is a demi-figure of the prior praying, a water bouget in front, and behind him, on each side of the canopy, is a water bouget between two roses.*

SIGILLUM . . . PRIORIS DE KIRKEHAM

3505. KIRKHAM, PRIORY OF Misc. 3802 ; A.D. 1357.
Oval, very imperfect and undecipherable. A nimbed figure standing, holding up both hands :

. ER COE

3506. KIRKHAM, PRIORY OF Misc. 4841 ; A.D. 1434 ; 4397 ; A.D. 1440.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Our Lord standing, beneath a canopy, blessing :

S' DE KYRKHAM

3507. KIRKSTEAD,¹⁰² ABBEY OF 3-3, Ebor. 45 ; A.D. 1526
Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{8}$ ". Our Lady with Christ seated in a niche, with crockets and finials ; on the dexter side is a shield of arms *checky a chief ermine*, on the sinister a like shield, *a cross moline*. Above the dexter shield is S, above the sinister K. Beneath, in the centre, is the abbot with crosier praying ; on each side of him is a praying monk (Durham Seals, 65) :

SIGILLU' COM'UNE ABBATIS ET CONVENTUS SCE MARIE
DE KYRKESTEDE

3508. LANERCOST,¹⁰³ PRIORY OF 1-2, Spec. 26 ; A.D. 1310 ; 28.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". A robed standing figure of St. Mary Magdalene, holding a palm branch in her right hand and a pot of ointment

¹⁰² Lincolnshire. A Cistercian abbey dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Hugh Breton, son of Eudes, lord of Tattershall, colonised from Fountains. Mon. Ang. v, 416 ; Visits. Linc. 158 ; V.C.H. Linc. II, 135. The shield on the dexter is that of Tattershall, blasoned *checky gold and gules a chief ermine* (see no. 2388 in this catalogue and note 7). That on the sinister is, I suppose, either for Bek or Willoughby, both families were large benefactors to the abbey. See Coll. Top. et Gen. iv, 33, and pedigree, p. 342. This seal is used by Richard abbot, probably Richard Harrison, the last abbot, the seal is much earlier, probably early 14th century.. It is illustrated V.C.H. Linc. II, pl. facing p. 104. E.H. gives for the arms of the abbey *three crowns*, quoting seal B.M. no. 3377.

¹⁰³ Cumberland. A priory of Austin canons, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalene, founded by Robert de Vaux, lord of Gilsland, A.D. 1169. Mon. Ang. vi, 236 ; Not. Mon. 77 ; V.C.H. Cumb. II, pl. facing p. 130. S.D. seals, pl. XII, no. 7. Document is printed Hodgson's 'Northumberland,' pt. 3, vol. II, p. 54.

in her left. Above her right shoulder is a crescent, above her left a star. The field of the seal is powdered with roses (Durham Seals, 65) :

..... MARIE MAGDALENE DE LANRECOS :

3509. LINCOLN,¹⁰⁴ PRIOR OF ST. KATHERINE'S OF . Misc. 4331 ; A.D. 1293.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. A demi-figure of Our Lady seated, holding Christ. On the dexter is a demi-figure of a bishop holding cross in right hand ; on the sinister is a bishop holding a crosier. Beneath is the prior praying :

HIS SIT SALVA SUI NIS .

3510. LYTHAM,¹⁰⁵ JOHN, PRIOR OF 3-4, Ebor. 30 ; A.D. 1366.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times 1''$. St. Catherine, holding her wheel, standing in elaborate tracery. Above her Our Lady seated with Christ. Beneath a demi-figure of the prior praying :

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3511. LYTHAM, JOHN BARLAY, PRIOR OF . Loc. XXXVII, 84 ; A.D. 1448.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. Our Lady robed and crowned, standing in a canopied niche, holding the child Christ. In a niche on the dexter side is St. Oswald, on the sinister St. Cuthbert. Beneath is the prior praying¹⁰⁶ :

S'IOHIS . . . EREM

3512. LYTHAM, WILLIAM BIRDEN, PRIOR OF . Loc. XVI, 14d ; A.D. 1483.

Round, $\frac{1}{2}''$. An indeterminate device ; it looks like a fish passing through the letter T.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3513. MALMESBURY,¹⁰⁷ PRIOR OF 2-2-4, Ebor. 75 ; A.D. 1274.

¹⁰⁴ A priory of Gilbertine canons, dedicated to St. Catherine, founded *circa* A.D. 1148 by Robert of Chesney, bishop of Lincoln. The seal is here used by G. (Gilbert), styled prior of St. Katherine's outside Lincoln. Mon. Ang. vi, 968 ; Visits. Linc. 166 ; V.C.H. Linc. II, 188 ; Assoc. Arch. Soc. xxvii, 264.

¹⁰⁵ Lancashire. A cell subordinate to Durham, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Cuthbert, founded by Richard Fitz Roger, lord of Woodplumpton (see no. 2110 and note 203 in this catalogue). Mon. Ang. iv, 281 ; V.C.H. Lanc. III, 53 ; and VII, 114.

¹⁰⁶ Styled '*sigillum quo utor in prioratu*.'

¹⁰⁷ Wiltshire. A Benedictine abbey dedicated at first to SS. Peter and Paul, afterwards to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Aldhelm. Maildolph, an Irish monk, built a

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". Demi-figure of Our Lady, with Christ ; seated on each side of her is an angel censuring. Beneath is the prior praying :

. . . LAMAMRIA DEI SIS MEMOR ORO MEI

3514. MALTON,¹⁰⁸ PRIOR OF (Reference lost).

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times 1". Antique gem, a nude figure :

✠ SIGILLUM SECRETI

3515. MARTON,¹⁰⁹ HENRY, PRIOR OF 1-2, Spec. 13.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". The prior standing, in monastic garb, both his hands held in front of his breast :

✠ SIGIL' HENRICI PRIORIS DE MARTU . . .

3516. MEAUX,¹¹⁰ ABBOT OF 2-1, Ebor. 8 ; A.D. 1199.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". A hand issuing from the dexter holding a crosier :

✠ SIGILL ABBATIS ✠ DE : MELSA ☞

hermitage near the later abbey and formed the beginnings of the monastery of which his pupil Aldhelm was the first abbot *circa* A.D. 675. The monastery was rebuilt and endowed by Aethelstan, and Edgar replaced the canons by Benedictine monks. Mon. Ang. i, 253 ; Not. Mon. 590 ; ' *Registrum Malmesburiense* ' (Rolls Series) ; Trans. Bristol and Glouc. Soc. xvi, 6, and ' *Archaeologia* ,' vol. LXIV, pp. 399-436.

¹⁰⁸ North Riding, Yorkshire. A Gilbertine priory, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Eustace son of John A.D. 1150. Mon. Ang. vi, 970 ; Not. Mon. 662 ; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 253 ; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series xvii, 119. Tonge (41 S.S. p. 66), gives under this priory ' the arms of the Gilberdines, ' *barry silver and gules a prior's staff bendways sinister gold*. These are the arms of the mother house of Sempringham and are doubtless derived from the shield of Gilbert of Gaunt (*barry gold and azure a bend gules*) the feudal owner of that place, under whom Joceline of Sempringham, the father of St. Gilbert, held his land. See also E.H. 422 and ' *Herald and Genealogist* ,' II, 345.

¹⁰⁹ North Riding, Yorkshire. A priory of Austin canons, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Bertram Bulmer in the time of Stephen. Mon. Ang. vi, 197 ; Not. Mon. 670 ; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 223 ; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series xvii, 128. The seal is that of Henry of Melkington, prior A.D. 1318-1321. S.B.M. 3621. Tonge gives the later arms of Bulmer for the priory *gules billety and a lion rampant gold*. S.S. 41, p. 18.

¹¹⁰ East Riding, Yorkshire. A Cistercian abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by William le Gros, count of Aumarle, lord of Holderness, A.D. 1150. Mon. Ang. v, 388 ; Not. Mon. 661 ; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series xvii, 131 ; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 146 ; *Chronicon de Melsa*, 3 vols. (Rolls Series) ; Trans. East Riding Arch. Soc. I. The shield blazoned for the abbey is *gules a cross patonce vair between four martlets silver* that is the differenced shield of the counts of Aumarle. In Glover's roll of Henry III ' *Le Conte d'Aumarle* ' bears ' *de goutes ou ung croiz pate de verre*. ' The seal is here used by Alexander, abbot A.D. 1197-1210.

3517. MEAUX, ABBOT^{110a} OF Loc. III, 22; A.D. 1247.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 1". The abbot standing, in mass vestments and holding crosier, his left hand holds a book to his breast. On each side is a crescent and star:

. IGILLUM: ABBA E MELSA

3518. NEASHAM,¹¹¹ CONVENT OF Misc. 6692; A.D. 1429.
Oval, 2", very imperfect. A crowned figure seated (apparently Our Lady and Christ).

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3519. NEWBOTTLE. (See Scottish Monasteries *post*).

3520. NEWBURGH,¹¹² BERNARD, PRIOR OF . . . 2-1, Ebor. 8; A.D. 1199.
Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, Victory:

✠ SIGILLUM SECRETI

3521. NEWBURGH, BERNARD, PRIOR OF Misc. 1226, 1227.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 1". A robed figure, seated, holding a pen (?) in his right hand and a book in his left:

BERNARD' . PRIOR D: NOVOBURG:

3522. NEWBURGH,¹¹³ PRIOR OF Misc. 5159; A.D. 1283.
Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Demi-figure of the prior praying:

DEUM TIME ET F

3523. NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE,¹¹⁴ PRIORY OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW OF . . .
. 1-1, Spec. 99; 2-3, Spec. 49; A.D. 1448.

^{110a} Used by Michael Brun, abbot A.D. 1235-1249. V.C.H. Yorks. III, 149.

¹¹¹ Co. Durham. A convent of Benedictine nuns, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, probably founded by Emma de Teisa, ancestor of the lords of Greystoke in the time of Henry II. Mon. Ang. IV, 548; Not. Mon. 394; *Arch. Ael.* 2nd ser. XVI, 268.

¹¹² North Riding, Yorkshire. A priory of Austin canons, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Roger Mowbray, A.D. 1145. Mon. Ang. VI, 317; Not. Mon. 658; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 226; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series XVII, 145. Tonge (41 S.S. p. 19), gives for its arms the differenced shield of Mowbray—*gules a lion rampant gold and a prior's staff bendways sinister gold*.

¹¹³ Used by the prior as collector of tenths for the king.

¹¹⁴ A priory of Benedictine nuns dedicated to St. Bartholomew the apostle. The founder is uncertain, but it was in existence before A.D. 1086. Mon. Ang. IV, 484; Not. Mon. 391; 'History of Newcastle,' Bourne, p. 48; ditto, Brand, vol. I, p. 200; *Arch. Ael.* 2 ser., XV, pp. 179-180.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}" \times 1\frac{3}{8}"$. A nimbed figure standing, the right hand blessing, the left holding a knife (?) ¹¹⁵

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3524. NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE, ¹¹⁶ St. MICHAEL OF THE WALL KNOLL OF
Misc. 6859; A.D. 1438.

Round, $1\frac{1}{2}"$. Our Lord enthroned, with both hands raised. In the field on his right is a cross paty, on his left a crescent enclosing a star. In the field five roses (Durham Seals, 63):

..... m : michis . d wall . . .

3525. NEWMINSTER, ¹¹⁷ ABBEY OF . 1-3, Pont. 5; A.D. 1333; 2-3, Pont. 10; A.D. 1349; 4-2, Spec. 35; A.D. 1334.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}" \times 1\frac{3}{8}"$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated in a canopied niche, holding the child Christ. On each side is a crescent enclosing a star with a fleur de lys above. Below the pediment of the niche is AVE MARIA. Beneath is a tonsured demi-figure of the abbot praying and holding his crosier; behind his head a star (Durham Seals, 65):

S'COE : ABBIS : ET CÖVETUS : SCE MARIE : DE NOVO :
MONASTERIO

3526. NEWMINSTER, ROBERT, ¹¹⁸ ABBOT OF . 1-1, Arch. Dunelm. 1;
A.D. 1147.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}" \times \frac{3}{4}"$. A hand issuing from the dexter holding a crosier :

✠ SIGNUM ABBIS DE NOVO MONASTE . .

¹¹⁵ This is the common seal of the priory and represents St. Bartholomew holding a flaying knife, the instrument of his martyrdom, in his hand. The legend as given in Mon. Ang. iv, 487 reads :—SIGILLUM MONIALIUM SANCTI BATHOLOMEI IN NOVO CASTRO. The seal is here used by Sibyl Gategang, styled prioress of the nunnery of St. Bartholomew of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. The deed names Richard of Emeldon chief bailiff, John of Denton, Gilbert Haukyn, Hugh of Hecham and Richard Scot sub-bailiffs.

¹¹⁶ The house on the Wall Knoll in Pandon originally belonged to the Carmelites or White Friars. In A.D. 1360 William Acton founded there a house of Trinitarian or Mathurin Friars or more fully friars of the order of the Holy Trinity for the Redemption of Captives. Mon. Ang. vi, 1563, 1575; Not. Mon. 398; Bourne's Newcastle, p. 141, charter printed *ibid.* appendix; Brand's Newcastle, i, 61, and 400.

¹¹⁷ Northumberland. A Cistercian abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Ralph de Merlay, A.D. 1138, colonised by monks from Fountains. Mon. Ang. v, 398; Not. Mon. 392; 'The Newminster Chartulary,' S.S. 66; Arch. Ael. 3rd ser. xii, 206. This seal is engraved S.S. 66, frontispiece, no. 3 S.B.M. 3726.

¹¹⁸ St. Robert, the leader of the monks from Fountains. See Arch. Ael. 3rd ser. xii, 208; S.S. 66, p. x; seal engraved *ibid.* pl. no. 1.

3527. NEWMINSTER,¹¹⁹ ABBOT OF Loc. III, 22; A.D. 1247.
Oval, $\times 1''$, imperfect. A figure in mass vestments standing blessing, his crosier in his left hand (head destroyed):
. LUM AB VI MON
3528. NEWMINSTER, JOHN,¹²⁰ ABBOT OF . Misc. 4152, 4208, 4345, 4175,
4352, 4755, 4758, 5999, 4214, 4303, 4332, 4345, 4362, 4943,
4951, 5031, 5393; A.D. 1303-1312.
Round, $1''$. A head with long curling hair and a beard. On the dexter side N, on the sinister M (Durham Seals, 62):
IOHANNES . EST NOMEN EI' :
3529. NEWMINSTER, JOHN,¹²¹ ABBOT OF . Misc. 4349, 4375; A.D. 1311.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. An arm with loose sleeve, the hand holding a crosier, a crescent with a star above it, in the field:
* SECRETUM : ABBATIS : NOVI : MONASTERII
3530. NEWMINSTER, W., ABBOT¹²² OF . 2-1, Ebor. 10, 11; 3-6, Spec. 37; Misc. 1318.
Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1\frac{1}{8}''$. A figure vested in alb, tunic, chasuble and low mitre standing, his right hand holding a fleur de lys, his left holding his crosier:
✠ SIGILLUM ABBATIS NOVI MONASTERII
3531. NOSTELL,¹²³ PRIOR OF Loc. xxv, 84.
Octagonal signet, $\frac{1}{2}''$, very indistinct.

¹¹⁹ Stephen of Eston was then abbot (*Arch. Ael. op. cit.* 217).

¹²⁰ John of Whelpington. The seal is that he uses as collector of the tithes of Durham for the church of Rome. Engraved S.S. 66 frontispiece no. 2. It represents the head of John Baptist.

¹²¹ The same man as no. 3528. He is here styled collector of the tithes of Durham for the Holy Land. In B.M. this seal is used as *secretum* to the common seal of the abbey.

¹²² The date is 14th century, but which abbot is uncertain. Engraved S.S. 60 frontispiece no. 4; 'Finchale Priory,' S.S. 6, p. 19.

¹²³ West Riding, Yorkshire. A priory of Austin canons dedicated to St. Oswald, said to have been founded by Ilbert de Lacy in the time of Rufus, but more probably by his son Robert in the reign of Henry 1 when Thurstan was archbishop. Mon. Ang. vi, 89; Not. Mon. 645; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 231. This seal is used by John, styled prior of the monastery of St. Oswald of Nostell, that is John of Hemingbrough prior towards the end of 14th century. The arms given by Tonge (S.S. 41, p. 78) are those attributed to St. Oswald but differenced in colour from the Durham shield, they are blasoned *gules a cross between four lions rampant gold*. See also seals in B.M. and note in 41 S.S. p. 78 and note 76 in this catalogue.

3532. OSENEY,¹²⁴ ABBEY OF . . . 1-5, Ebor. 11, 13, 37, 38; A.D. 1326. Oval, $3\frac{1}{4}'' \times 2\frac{1}{4}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, holding the child Christ, seated in a canopied niche with buttresses, crockets and spires. Beneath is an ox standing, above it on plinth of niche DE OXONIA (Durham Seals, 65):

SIGILLUM ABBATIS ET CONVENTUS ECCLESIE SANCTE
MARIE DE OSENEYA

3533. OXFORD, PRIORY OF ST. FRIDESWIDE¹²⁵ OF . . . 1-5, Ebor. 17. Oval, $3\frac{1}{8}'' \times 2\frac{1}{4}''$. A figure of St. Frideswide robed and with mantle over shoulders, seated under a round-headed arch, above which are three towers. She holds a lily in right hand and a book in left:

[S]IGILLUM : [ECCLES]IE SANCTE . FRIDESWIDE OXENE-
FORDIE

3534. RICHMOND, PRIOR OF ST. MARTIN'S¹²⁶ OF . . . 2-1, Spec. 7, 37. Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. Antique gem, a ram:

✠ SIGILLUM WILLELMI : MONACHI

3535. RIEVAULX,¹²⁷ ABBEY OF . . . 1-1, Ebor. 23.

¹²⁴ Oxfordshire. An abbey of Austin canons dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Robert d'Oilly II, A.D. 1129. Mon. Ang. vi, 248; Not. Mon. 429; Visits. Linc. 162; V.C.H. Oxford II, 93; Seal engraved *ibid.* pl. facing p. 88; S.B.M. 3801. The arms of the abbey are given *azure two bends gold* the shield of the founder. E.H. 381.

¹²⁵ St. Frideswide, a legendary Saxon saint of whom little certain is known, is said to have founded a convent of nuns at Oxford *circa* A.D. 727. She was canonised and the church there has always been known by her name. It passed through many vicissitudes until in A.D. 1122 Gwysmund, a chaplain to Henry I established there a priory of Austin canons. The priory was suppressed by Wolsey, who founded his college upon its enlarged site. Subsequently Cardinal college was refounded by Henry VIII, under the title of Aedes Christi, the House of Christ. The priory church became the college chapel and eventually became the cathedral of the diocese of Oxford, after the short-lived settlement of the see at Oseney. This seal is engraved pl. I 'Some Durham College Rolls,' by Rev. H. E. D. Blakiston. Mon. Ang. vi, 134; Not. Mon. 413; V.C.H. Oxford II, 97; S.B.M. 3811; 'History of Christ Church,' by H. L. Thompson (College Histories).

¹²⁶ Yorkshire. A Benedictine cell of St. Mary's, York, founded *circa* A.D. 1100 by Wymar, steward of Stephen, earl of Richmond, and colonised by monks from St. Mary's abbey, York. Mon. Ang. III, 601; Not. Mon. 644; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 112; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series xvii, 174.

¹²⁷ North Riding, Yorkshire. A Cistercian abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded A.D. 1131 by Walter Espec. Mon. Ang. v, 274; Not. Mon. 652; V.C.H.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}" \times \frac{7}{8}"$. A figure, in monastic habit, seated writing at a desk :

✠ SIGNUM RIEVALLIS

3536. RIEVAULX, ABBOT OF ¹²⁸ 3-8, Spec. 15 ; Misc. 1227, 1330.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 1"$. A figure in monastic habit seated, in front of a desk, holding a book in his right hand and a crosier in his left :

✠ SIGNUM ABBATIS RIEVALLIS

3537. ST. ALBANS, ¹²⁹ ABBEY OF 2-2, Spec. 1, 4, 6.

Oval, $3\frac{1}{8}" \times 2\frac{1}{8}"$. St. Alban, robed and nimbed, seated, holding a cross in his right hand and an orb and palm branch in his left :

✠ SIGILLUM . SCI . ALBANI . ANGLORU PTO MARTIRIS

3538. ST. ALBANS, SIMON, ¹³⁰ ABBOT OF 2-2, Spec. 4.

Oval, $3\frac{1}{4}" \times 2"$. The abbot vested in alb, embroidered dalmatic, maniple, chasuble, amice and mitre standing holding crosier in his right hand and a book in his left :

✠ SIGILLUM SIMONIS : ABBATIS ECCL'IE : SANCTI
ALBANI

Secretum, oval, $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 1"$. Antique gem, the head of an emperor :

✠ SECRETOR ✠ SIGNACULUM

3539. SALLEY, ¹³¹ ABBOT OF Loc. III, 22 ; A.D. 1247.

Yorks. III, 149 ; 'Chartulary of Rievaulx,' S.S. 83 ; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 176. This seal is engraved *ibid.* pl. facing p. LXXXVIII, no. 4. Tonge (S.S. 41, p. 19), gives for the arms of the abbey the differenced shield of Ros of Hamlake *gules three bougets silver and a crosier paleways gold*. See note 101.

¹²⁸ Time of Pope Alexander III (A.D. 1159-1180). To charter no. 1330 the seal is used by Ethelred (Aelred), abbot 1147-1167. To no. 1227 it is used by Silvanus, abbot 1170-1188. It is engraved 83 S.S. pl. facing p. LXXXVIII.

¹²⁹ Hertfordshire. A Benedictine abbey, dedicated to St. Alban the British proto-martyr, founded A.D. 793 by Offa of Mercia. Mon. Ang. II, 178 ; Not. Mon. 180 ; V.C.H. Herts. IV, 367 ; seals illustrated *ibid.* pl. facing p. 416 ; 'Monasterii S. Albani Chronica' (Rolls Series) and M. Paris, 'Historia Anglorum,' and 'Chronica Majora' (Rolls Series) *passim*.

¹³⁰ A.D. 1167-1188. Seal engraved N.C.H. VIII, p. 64, *secretum*, *ibid.* p. 65. The vestments depicted are noticeable, shewing the loosely folded amice, the chasuble short and pointed in front, full and square behind, with a straight vertical strip of orphrey, the dalmatic is elaborately embroidered.

¹³¹ West Riding, Yorkshire. A Cistercian abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded A.D. 1146 by William Percy III and colonised from Newminster. Mon. Ang.

Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1''$. The abbot standing in mass vestments holding his crosier in his right hand and a pen (?) in his left:

. IGILLU E SAL A . .

3540. SELBY,¹³² ABBOT OF I-I, Archiep. 21; A.D. 1259.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}''$, imperfect. A tonsured figure in mass vestments, holding crosier in right hand and a book in his left. The field of the seal is diapered (Durham Seals, 65):

ME : DE : SELE . .

3541. SELBY, ABBOT OF^{132a} Misc. 4155; A.D. 1319; 4958; A.D. 1320.

Oval, imperfect, $\times \frac{7}{8}''$. St. German of Auxerre, in pontificals, blessing:

. S' SCI GERMANI D LE DE TATU

3542. SELBY,¹³³ JOHN, ABBOT OF Misc. 6872; A.D. 1465, 6663.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}''$, imperfect. St. German of Auxerre, in pontificals, blessing, standing in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work. Beneath is *s'c'us germanus* and below a shield of arms, three swans (Durham Seals, 65):

. sigillum : iohis : a selby . .

3543. SHREWSBURY,¹³⁴ ABBOT OF 2-4, Ebor. 11.

v, 510; Not. Mon. 658; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 156; Yorks. Arch. Jour. xx, 454; *ibid.* Record Series xvii, 190. Tonge (41 S.S. pp. 89, 90), gives the arms *azure a fess indented of five fusils*, being the ancient shield of Percy (see *Arch. Ael.* 2nd ser. iv, 165, and *ibid.* 3rd ser. III, 233). Tonge gives a second shield, which I cannot explain, *silver on a pale sable a crosier gold*.

¹³² Yorkshire. A Benedictine abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. German of Auxerre, founded by Benedict, a monk of Auxerre, *circa* A.D. 1069. The figure here depicted probably represents St. German. Mon. Ang. III, 485; Not. Mon. 637; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 95; 'The Coucher Book of Selby,' ed. by J. T. Fowler; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 195. The seal is here used by abbot Thomas of Whalley (A.D. 1255-1262). For engraving of an eleventh-century seal of the abbey, see V.C.H. Yorks. III, pl. facing p. 100.

^{132a} Used by John of Wistow, A.D. 1321-1335.

¹³³ John Ousthorp, abbot A.D. 1436-1466. The shield is blazoned *sable three swans silver feet and bills gold*; 41 S.S. p. 62.

¹³⁴ Shropshire. A Benedictine abbey, dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul, founded A.D. 1083 by Roger Montgomery, earl of Arundel and Shrewsbury and his wife Adeliza (a daughter of Everard Puiset). Mon. Ang. III, 513; Not. Mon. 445. This seal is used by H. styled *abbas de Salopesberia*, probably Henry, who was abbot *circa* A.D. 1223.

Oval, $2\frac{1}{4}'' \times 1\frac{5}{8}''$. The abbot in monastic habit, standing, holding crosier in his right hand (his left is broken off) :

... IS ABB DE SALOPESBU . . .

3544. STAMFORD,¹³⁵ PRIOR OF ST. MICHAEL OF 1-4, Ebor. 7.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{4}'' \times 1''$. Antique gem, a monster :

✠ SIT MICHI SOLAM . DIVINI . SPC AMEN

3545. STAMFORD,¹³⁶ PRIORY OF Misc. 6840 ; A.D. 1387.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}'' \times \frac{7}{8}''$. The bust of a man, full face. On the dexter side a star on the sinister a crescent.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3546. STAMFORD,¹³⁷ PRIOR OF ST. LEONARD'S . . Loc. XVI, 7 ; A.D. 1444.
Oval, $\frac{7}{8}'' \times \frac{3}{4}''$. A kneeling figure ; above, the hand of God, blessing :

GRACIA

3547. STAFFORD (?) CONVENT OF¹³⁸ Misc. (?) ; A.D. 1380.
Round, $1\frac{3}{4}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated in a canopied niche of rich tabernacle work. The child Christ on her knee :

* SI ENTUS DE ST

¹³⁵ Northamptonshire. A Benedictine nunnery, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Michael, founded by William of Waterville, abbot of Peterborough, *circa* A.D. 1155. Mon. Ang. iv, 257 ; Visits. Linc. 158 ; V.C.H. Northants. II, 98. The seal is used by Peter, styled '*prior S. Michaelis de Stamford*.'

¹³⁶ See next note.

¹³⁷ Lincolnshire. Said to have been founded by St. Wilfrid in the 7th century. It was refounded as a Benedictine priory, subordinate to Durham, by bishop William of Saint-Calais. The seal is here used by Richard Barton, styled prior of the cell of St. Leonard at Stamford. Mon. Ang. iv, 472 ; Not. Mon. 280 ; Visits. Linc. 156 ; V.C.H. Lincoln II, 127.

¹³⁸ There was no convent of St. Mary at Stafford and this must be a misreading of the name ; unfortunately the reference to the document is wrong and I have therefore no means of checking the reference. Mr. A. Hamilton Thompson suggests that it may be the Benedictine priory of nuns at Stainfield, Lincs., dedicated to St. Mary, which was founded by one of the Percys and was a favourite house for northern nuns of good family. The secular college at Stafford was dedicated to St. Mary, but the inscription precludes a secular foundation.

3548. SWINESHEAD,¹³⁹ ABBEY OF 3-5, Ebor. 8; A.D. 1391.
Oval, $2\frac{1}{8}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, seated with the child Christ on her knee. Beneath a flat trefoiled arch the abbot stands in monastic habit and wearing a round cap, holding his crosier in his right hand and a book in his left; three figures of monks stand on each side of him (Durham Seals, 65):

. . . . ABBATIS ET CONVENTUS DE LOCO BEATE .

MARIE . DE . [SWI]NESHEVED . IN . HOLA[ND]

3549. SYON,¹⁴⁰ ABBEY OF Loc. 1, 27; A.D. 1516.
Oval, $2\frac{5}{8}'' \times 1\frac{5}{8}''$. Our Lady robed and crowned, seated in a canopied niche with the child Christ standing on her right knee, in her left hand she holds a sceptre which ends in a fleur de lys. Beneath, under an arch, is the figure of a king robed and crowned, kneeling behind him is a robed and nimbed female figure. On the dexter side is a shield of arms, a plain cross, on the sinister, a like shield bearing quarterly *France (modern) and England* (Durham Seals, 65):

s' comune sci saluatoris de syon london dioc
ad cas

3550. TYNEMOUTH,¹⁴¹ PRIORY OF 1-3, Pont. 7; A.D. 1385.
Oval, $3'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a canopied niche, holding the child Christ on her left arm. On

¹³⁹ Lincolnshire in the parts of Holland. A Cistercian abbey, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, founded A.D. 1134 by Robert Gresley and his son Albert, colonised from Furness. It was Savigniac at its foundation, but was united to the Cistercian order c. 1157 with Furness and the other Savigniac houses. Mon. Ang. v, 336; Not. Mon. 258; Visits. Linc. 158; V.C.H. Lincoln II, 145. Seal is S.B.M. 4136.

¹⁴⁰ Middlesex. An abbey of Austin canons and nuns, as reformed by St. Bridget of Sweden, and known as the Order of the Saviour, dedicated to Our Saviour, the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Bridget, founded by Henry V, A.D. 1414. Mon. Ang. VI, 540; Not. Mon. 324. This is the seal 'ad causas,' the figures in base represent Henry V and St. Bridget, the shield on the dexter I cannot explain or blason that on the sinister is the shield of Henry. It is here used by Elisabeth, abbess, and John, confessor, of the sisters and brethren of SS. Mary and Bridget. The common seal of the abbey is engraved Arch. xvii, 328. This seal is S.B.M. 4022.

¹⁴¹ Northumberland. A Benedictine priory, founded originally by St. Oswald the king (A.D. 634-642), and refounded by Robert Mowbray, A.D. 1090, colonised by monks from St. Albans, of which abbey it became a cell. The original dedication was to the Blessed Virgin Mary, but after the body of St. Oswin was translated there it came under

her sinister side, in a similar niche, is the crowned and robed figure of a king (St. Oswin); holding a spear in his right hand and a sceptre in his left. Above is the full-faced bust of a woman, a star on each side of her neck:

SIGILLU : COE : PRIORATUS : SCE : MARIE : ET : BI : OSWINI
DE : TINEMUTHA

3551. TYNEMOUTH, AKARY,¹⁴² PRIOR OF . . . 3-6, Spec. 37; 2-1, Ebor. 10, 11; A.D. 1198.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". The tonsured figure of the prior in monastic habit, standing with his right hand on his breast and in his left a closed book:

✠ SIGILLUM ACHAR RIORIS DE TINEMU . . .

3552. TYNEMOUTH, PRIOR¹⁴³ OF 4-2, Spec. 25.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Antique gem, the head of an emperor (Durham Seals, 63):

✠ CAPUT . NOSTRUM . XPS . EST

3553. TYNEMOUTH, GERMAN,¹⁴⁴ PRIOR OF 1-1, Arch. Dunelm, 2.
Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". A kneeling figure of the prior in monastic habit, his right hand on his breast and holding in his left a ?

✠ HÔ CLAUSA LAT NGIS PATET .

3554. TYNEMOUTH,¹⁴⁵ PRIOR OF . . . Misc. 4361; A.D. 1310; 4-5, Elemos. 8; A.D. 1330.

Oval, $1\frac{5}{8}$ " \times 1". The demi-figure of a king (St. Oswin), in a canopied niche, holding a sceptre in his right hand and his left in his breast. Beneath, under a trefoiled arch, is a demi-figure of the prior praying. On the canopy work above him is SERVE DEUM:

. . . FRIS S NIS : PRIORIS : DE TINEMU . . .

his patronage, and the fame of the local saint rather overshadowed that of Our Lady. Its arms were those attributed to St. Oswin *gules three crowns gold*. Sym. II, 209, 221 (Rolls); Mon. Ang. v, 392; N.C.H. VIII, 34. This seal is engraved *ibid.* pl. VII, no. 6; S.B.M. 4226.

¹⁴² Engraved N.C.H. VIII, pl. VII, no. 1.

¹⁴³ Circa A.D. 1210-1239; engraved *op. cit.* no. 2.

¹⁴⁴ Circa A.D. 1239; engraved *op. cit.* no. 3.

¹⁴⁵ Used by prior Simon of Walden to no. 4361; by prior Richard of Tewing to no. 8. The same seal is used in A.D. 1380 by prior Clement of Whethamstede. It is engraved *op. cit.* no. 5; see also *ibid.*, note, p. 122.

3555. WALTHAM, REYNOLD,¹⁴⁶ ABBOT OF HOLY CROSS . 2-1, Archiep.
14; A.D. 1281.

Oval, 2" × 1½". The abbot in mass vestments standing, his right hand blessing, his left holding his crosier. On his dexter side is

RE on his sinister NA
GI LD

. . . INALDI DEI GRA ABBIS ECCE SCE CRUCIS DE . . .

3556. WALTHAM,¹⁴⁷ ABBOT OF . Misc. 4159, 4160, 4285, 4291, 4318;
A.D. 1301.

Oval, 1½", imperfect. A cross between two candles in candlesticks. Beneath is the abbot in mass vestments and mitre, praying (Durham Seals, 63):

E R SC . TAT

3557. WEARMOUTH,¹⁴⁸ CELL OF Loc. xv, 3a; A.D. 1437.

Oval, 1" × ¾". Two heads facing each other, the one male, the other female; above them John Baptist's head in a dish. Beneath is a figure praying. The whole device is in elaborate tracery:

* TISTA CHRISTI

¹⁴⁶ Essex. Founded in the eleventh century by Tovi, lord of Waltham, who built and endowed a church there for the reception of the Holy Cross, brought from Montacute in Somerset; it was rebuilt *circa* A.D. 1060 by earl Harold Godwinson, who made it a house of secular canons. It appears to have been granted to bishop Walcher of Durham by the Conqueror, A.D. 1075 (Sym. i, 113, Rolls). In A.D. 1177 Henry II converted it into a priory of Austin canons, dedicated to the Holy Cross, and in 1184 erected it into an abbey. The seal is here used by Reynold of Maidenhithe, elected abbot A.D. 1273. Mon. Ang. vi, 56; Not. Mon. 119; V.C.H. Essex II, 166. Seal is S.B.M. 4256.

¹⁴⁷ The seal represents the Holy Cross of Waltham. The arms of the abbey were (*silver*) *on a cross engrailed (sable) five crosses crosslet fitchy (gold)*. See seal B.M. 4250 and E.H. 390. For full account of the seals of the abbey see paper by Sir W. H. St. John Hope in the Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of London, Second Series, vol. xxviii, p. 95.

¹⁴⁸ Co. Durham. Originally founded by Benedict Biscop; A.D. 674 and dedicated to St. Peter, Restored by bishop Walcher, A.D. 1075 (Sym. i, 113; Rolls). In A.D. 1083 bishop William of Saint-Calais removed the monks to Durham and it became thenceforward a cell subordinate to Durham. Mon. Ang. i, 501; Not. Mon. III; H.D. II, 501; S.D. II, 2. The seal is here used by William Lyham, styled master of the cell of Wearmouth, '*sigillum quo utor in dicta cella.*'

3558. WESTMINSTER,¹⁴⁹ SIMON, ABBOT OF . . . 4-2, Archiep. 1; A.D. 1356.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. St. Peter standing, in a canopied niche of rich
tabernacle work, holding keys in his left hand; in a niche on
his sinister is Edward the Confessor, his right hand on his breast,
his left holding a sceptre. Beneath is the abbot with mitre and
crosier praying:

SIMONIS : HIC : PRO[NI] AUDITE : PATRONI

3559. WHITBY,¹⁵⁰ ABBEY OF Misc. 1226.
Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}'' \times 1\frac{3}{8}''$. Under a church-like canopy St. Peter, in epis-
copal vestments and mitre, standing, holding key in his left hand,
his right hand blessing:

. SCE . . . HILDE : DE W : AD CAS . .

3560. WHITBY, PRIOR OF Misc. 6682; A.D. 1300.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}'' \times 1''$. Two figures standing in canopied niches:

SIGILLUM PRIORIS : DE : WITEBY

3561. WINCHESTER,¹⁵¹ CATHEDRAL OF 1-2, Archiep. 10; A.D.
1382.

Oval, $2\frac{7}{8}'' \times 1\frac{7}{8}''$. A mitred figure in mass vestments, standing,
his right hand blessing, his left holding a book. On the dexter
side is a shield of arms quarterly *France (ancient) and England*
on the sinister a shield bearing *two keys saltireways*.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

¹⁴⁹ A Benedictine abbey, dedicated to St. Peter, and probably founded by Sebert, king of the East Saxons, *circa* A.D. 610. Mon. Ang. i, 265; Not. Mon. 292; see also 'The Monks of Westminster,' by archdeacon Pearce. The seal is that of Simon Langham, abbot A.D. 1349-1362. He was afterwards bishop of Ely, lord chancellor, and archbishop of Canterbury, which he resigned in 1374 on his elevation to the cardinal-bishopric of Palestrina; he died at Avignon A.D. 1376. The arms of the abbey were *gules two keys saltireways gold*; see seals B.M. 4305, 4309 and 4311; also E.H. 391.

¹⁵⁰ North Riding, Yorkshire. Founded as a monastery for monks and nuns, by St. Hilda, *circa* A.D. 657. Refounded as a Benedictine priory by William Percy, *circa* A.D. 1074. In the time of Henry I it was erected into an abbey and dedicated to St. Peter and St. Hilda. 'Whitby Chartulary,' S.S. 69 and 72; Mon. Ang. i, 405; Not. Mon. 632; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 101; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 222. Seal is B.M. 4329. Tonge gives its arms *azure three ammonites silver* (41, S.S. p. 22).

¹⁵¹ Hampshire. Founded towards the end of 7th century and belonged to secular canons till A.D. 963, when bishop Ethelwold displaced them by Benedictine monks from Abingdon. It was under the invocation of many saints—St. Peter, St. Amphibalus,

3562. YORK, ABBEY OF ST. MARY¹⁵² 2-2, Archiep. 7.
A dished seal, only a fragment remaining. A seated figure, holding
in his right hand a scroll on which is MARI.

MA

3563. YORK, SIMON,¹⁵³ ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S OF . . . 1-1, Archiep. 21;
A.D. 1259.

Oval, $2\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". The abbot, tonsured and wearing alb, tunic,
stole, amice, chasuble and rationale, holding his crosier in his
right hand and a book to his breast in his left, standing on a
bracket in a canopied niche with side shafts:

✠ S'SYMONIS DI GRA ABBATIS SCE MAR: EBORACI

Secretum, oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, a half draped female figure
standing (Durham Seals, 62):

S'SYMONIS DE WAREWYK IN PARVO SIGILLO

3564. YORK, PRIOR OF ST. MARY'S Misc. 6682; A.D. 1300.
Oval, 1" \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Our Lord seated in Majesty blessing; in the field
on his dexter side is w, on the sinister TA.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3565. YORK, JOHN, ABBOT¹⁵⁴ OF ST. MARY'S . . . Misc. 5991, 5985; A.D.
1310.

Oval, $2\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". The abbot tonsured and wearing alb, embroi-
dered dalmatic, chasuble, amice and rationale, standing on a
bracket in a canopied niche with side shafts, his right hand holding

St. Ethelwold, St. Swithun and the Holy Trinity—but St. Swithun appears to have been
its tutelary saint and the cathedral priory was usually distinguished by his name. Mon.
Ang. i, 189. Not. Mon. 152. This seal is used by Hugh (Basing), prior A.D. 1361-1384.
Dugdale (Mon. Ang.) gives its arms *gules two keys in bend dexter surmounted by a sword
in bend sinister gold*.

¹⁵² A Benedictine abbey, dedicated originally to St. Olave and later (A.D. 1088) to the
Blessed Virgin Mary, founded by Alan, earl of Brittany, circa A.D. 1078 and colonised
by monks from Whitby. Mon. Ang. iii, 529; Not. Mon. 638; V.C.H. Yorks. iii, 107;
Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series, xvii, 231. The seal is used by '*Iprior et conventus
S. Mariae Ebor.*'

¹⁵³ Simon of Warwick, abbot A.D. 1258-1296. The *secretum* is a very beautiful gem
representing the toilet of Venus, its description as 'little seal' is unusual. S.B.M. 4391.

¹⁵⁴ John of Gilling, abbot A.D. 1303-1313. The *secretum* is apparently a medieval
Christian gem representing probably the Annunciation, but it is curiously archaic in style:

his crozier, his left a book; above his left shoulder is a star (Durham Seals, 62):

S' IOHANNIS : DEI : GRACI IS BEATE : MARIE :
EBORACI

Secretum, oval, 1" \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Engraved gem, a robed and nimbed female figure standing, to whom a small naked figure kneels, behind him is an angel with outstretched hand, between the angel and the woman is a dove descending. In front of the angel is a small cross (Durham Seals, 62):

✠ S' SECRETUM . IOHIS . ABBIS BE . MARIE . EBOR :

3566. YORK, ALAN,¹⁵⁵ ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S . Misc. 4170; A.D. 1319.
Very imperfect, but appears to be the same both on obverse and reverse to no. 3565.

3567. YORK, THOMAS,¹⁵⁶ ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S . Misc. 4447; A.D. 1343.
Oval, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ", imperfect. A tonsured figure of the abbot standing, his crozier in his left hand :

. AC

3568. YORK, EDMUND,¹⁵⁷ ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S . Misc. 5986; A.D. 1519.
Oval, 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ " \times 2", imperfect. A mitred figure of the abbot wearing alb, dalmatic and chasuble, standing in a canopied niche, a crozier in his left hand, a book in his right. On the dexter side is a shield of arms, three leopards (?); sinister side of seal destroyed. Beneath is a like shield, a plain cross :

. on abbatis monas ebor

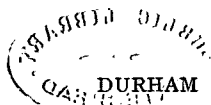
3569. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁵⁸ . Misc. 4369; A.D. 1294; 4678;
A.D. 1295; 4689, 4833.

¹⁵⁵ Alan of Nesse, A.D. 1313-1331.

¹⁵⁶ Thomas of Multon, A.D. 1331-1359.

¹⁵⁷ Edmund Thornton, A.D. 1507-1521. The shield on the dexter is possibly the royal shield and may refer to William Rufus. The shield in base is, I suppose, that of the abbey. The arms given by Tonge (41, S.S. p. 60) are *silver on a cross gules a besant charged with a demi king crowned and robed* (William Rufus); see also E.H. 393.

¹⁵⁸ Used by the abbot as '*collector medietatis benefactorum eccl'es. secundam ultimam taxationem Dni. Regis concessam.*'



DURHAM SEALS :

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a lion, a floriated border on the setting :

✠ DEUM . TIME . ET . MANDATA . EIUS . COSERVA

Secretum, $\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $\frac{1}{2}$ ", undecipherable.

3570. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁵⁹ . . . Misc. 4140, 4150; A.D. 1313; 4166; A.D. 1307; 4157, 4179, 4180, 4221, 4233, 4321, 4322, 4326, 4327, 4341, 4935; A.D. 1322.

Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, Victory (Durham Seals, 62) :

✠ DECLINA . A . MALO : * : ET . FAC . BONUM

Secretum, $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Antique gem, a female figure holding a cornucopia.

3571. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶⁰ . . . Misc. 4184; A.D. 1315.
Oval, $\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Antique gem, a standing female figure :

. B . T C . U . T . A .

3572. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S . . . Misc. 4207; A.D. 1319.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{8}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Antique gem, a veiled female head :

: * : IE SUY : AL : ADEU . SE : R . . .

3573. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶¹ . . . Misc. 4188, 4548; A.D. 1329; 4311, 4781.

Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Our Lady robed and crowned, seated, with the child Christ, in a canopied niche. Beneath is a demi-figure of the abbot praying :

AVE MARIA GRACIA PL . . .

3574. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶² . . . Misc. 4202, 4407; A.D. 1337; 4765; A.D. 1333; 5020; A.D. 1332; 4338; A.D. 1329; 4548,* 4685.

Oval, $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Antique gem, a chariot drawn by four horses, driven by a radiated figure (Apollo) over the horses backs is a crescent, over their heads a star (Durham Seals, 62) :

S' SEC'TI AMORIS

¹⁵⁹ Used by the abbot as collector of tenths for the lord Clement, pope.

¹⁶⁰ Used by the abbot as collector of subsidies.

¹⁶¹ Used by the abbot as collector of the tenths of the king.

¹⁶² Used by 'Johannes de Tyuerington substitutus abbatis monasterii Ebor
sigillum quo utor.'

3575. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶³ . Misc. 4151, 4158; A.D. 1336; 4211; A.D. 1333; 4296, 4365, 5087; A.D. 1330.

Rounded oval, $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 1"$. Our Lady with the child Christ standing in a canopied niche:

S' ABBIS EB . . . AD DECIAS DEPUTAT.

Secretum to Misc. 4158, oval, $1" \times \frac{3}{4}"$. A figure standing, holding crosier; a kneeling figure prays to him, above whose head is a star.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

3576. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S . Misc. 4171; A.D. 1338; 4206, 4218, 4976, 4158, 4293, 4653, 4807.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}" \times \frac{3}{4}"$. A robed figure holding crosier in right hand and . . . (?) in left. A kneeling figure prays beneath, a star above his head (Durham Seals, 65):

* EFFICIAT CATA . . ROCU . .

3577. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶⁴ . Misc. 4203; A.D. 1340; 5099, 4241; A.D. 1341; 4308.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}" \times \frac{3}{4}"$. Adam and Eve standing in front of a tree (Durham Seals, 65):

ADAM PR . . SU . . . NOVIT ARBOR
MORTIS

3578. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶⁵ . Misc. 4217, 4913; A.D. 1343

Oval, $1" \times \frac{7}{8}"$. Our Lady with the child Christ standing in a canopied niche; on the dexter, in a like niche, is St. Michael spearing the dragon. Beneath is the abbot praying.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

Secretum, oval, $\frac{1}{2}" \times \frac{3}{8}"$. Antique gem, very indistinct.

3579. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S¹⁶⁶ . Misc. 4258; A.D. 1349; 4307; A.D. 1348; 4947; A.D. 1347; 4364, 4947.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}" \times \frac{5}{8}"$. A seated figure holding a sword in his right hand and a book in his left:

S' P DECIMA BIENNALI

¹⁶³ Seal used by the abbot and convent as collectors of the tenths for the Holy Land.

¹⁶⁴ Seal as collector of the tenths.

¹⁶⁵ Seal used by the abbot and convent as 'collector decimae annualis Dno. Regis concess.'

¹⁶⁶ Seal used by the abbot and convent 'collector decimae biennialis Dno. Regi concess.'

Secretum, round, $\frac{1}{2}$ ". A crowned head:

* PRO REGE *

3580. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁶⁷ . Misc. 4344; A.D. 1347, 4368;
A.D. 1345.

Square, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". St. John Baptist and St. Lucy, each standing in a canopied niche (Durham Seals, 65):

LUCIA VIG-BURTON-IOH' BAPT.

Secretum, round, $\frac{3}{8}$ ". K within a circle:

* TRIENNALIS

3581. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁶⁸ . Misc. 4234; A.D. 1344; 4573;
A.D. 1345.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing with the child Christ.

LEGEND ILLEGIBLE.

Secretum, same as no. 3580.

3582. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁶⁹ . Misc. 4176; A.D. 1346; 4776;
A.D. 1343.

Oval, 1" \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". The Coronation of the Virgin; in roundels in the border are the symbols of the evangelists. Beneath a demi-figure of the abbot praying:

SCI DEI NOS E . . . DE

3583. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁷⁰ Misc. 5849; A.D. 1349.
Oval, $1\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $\frac{7}{8}$ ". Our Lady standing, holding the child Christ; on her dexter a kneeling figure prays to them:

. ATRIS: WILLI MEM

3584. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁷¹ Misc. 4358; A.D. 1353.
Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Our Lady with Christ standing in a canopied niche, a kneeling figure prays to them:

VIRGO SALUT

¹⁶⁷ Seal used by 'collector decimae triennalis Regi Angliae concess.'

¹⁶⁸ Seal used as collectors of the triennial tenths.

¹⁶⁹ 'Sigillum pro procuracionibus.'

¹⁷⁰ Used by the abbot as collector of the procurations of Master Raymund Pelegrin (see seal no. 1954 and 3710) 'sigillum ad hujus procuraciones deputatum.'

¹⁷¹ Seal used as collector of procurations.

3585. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁷² . Misc. 4251; A.D. 1352; 4348;
A.D. 1353.

Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{8}$ ". The Annunciation, between Our Lady and St. Gabriel is a pot with a lily in it. Above, is the Holy Dove descending. Beneath, under an arch, is a demi-figure of the abbot praying:

. DING SU AR .

3586. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁷³ Misc. 4156; A.D. 1360.

Oval, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ ", imperfect. Our Lady holding the child Christ, and St. Catherine holding her wheel, standing in canopied niches. Beneath is a shield of arms, device obliterated.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

Secretum, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Antique gem, Jupiter seated:

* SALVE SU

3587. YORK, ABBOT OF ST. MARY'S ¹⁷⁴ . Misc. 4146; A.D. 1353; 4259;
A.D. 1352; 4264, 4878; A.D. 1373.

Square, $\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $\frac{5}{8}$ ". St. Andrew on his cross in front a figure holding a (?) (Durham Seals, 65):

S' ANDREE

Secretum, to Misc. no. 4878, $\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $\frac{1}{4}$ ". The letter I crowned and a fleur de lys at each side.

Secretum, to Misc. no. 4259.

Round, $\frac{1}{2}$ ". W crowned.

3588. YORK, ABBOT (?) OF ST. MARY'S Misc. 4360; A.D. 1351.

Oval, $\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a canopied niche holding the child Christ. On her sinister, in a similar niche, is St. Catherine holding her wheel.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

3589. YORK, ABBOT (?) OF ST. MARY'S Misc. 4989; A.D. 1348.

Oval, 1" \times $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Our Lady standing, holding the child Christ. A kneeling figure prays to them.

LEGEND DESTROYED.

¹⁷² 'Sigillum quo utimur in hujus collectionis officii.'

¹⁷³ Used by the abbot and convent as collectors of the tenths of the king.

¹⁷⁴ Used by the abbot and convent as collectors of the biennial tenths granted to the king of England 'sigillum quo utimur in hac parte.'

3590. YORK, SACRIST OF ST. MARY'S OF . . . Misc. 3402; A.D. 1314.
Round, $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Our Lady with the child Christ seated.
3591. YORK, SACRIST ¹⁷⁵ OF ST. MARY'S . . . Misc. 4143; A.D. 1342;
4209, 5022.
Oval, $\frac{5}{8}$ " \times $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Antique gem, a male head. Four birds surrounding it.

NO LEGEND.

3592. YORK, PRIOR OF HOLY TRINITY ¹⁷⁶ . . . Loc. XXVII, 26; A.D. 1363.
Oval, $1\frac{3}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". Our Lady, robed and crowned, standing in a canopied niche, holding the child Christ. Above them is the head of God the Father. On the dexter side is St. Paul; on the sinister, St. Peter. Beneath is the prior praying:

SIG

3593. YORK, PRIORY OF HOLY TRINITY ¹⁷⁷ . . . 1-2, Ebor. 1; A.D. 1443.
Oval, 2" \times $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". Our Lady with the child Christ standing; above is the head of God the Father. On the dexter side, St. Paul; on the sinister, St. Peter. Beneath is the prior praying:

✠ SIGILLUM SCE TRINITATIS EBORACENSIS

Secretum, round, $\frac{7}{8}$ ". The letter I crowned and within a quatre-foiled figure:

sigillb iohannis grene

3594. YORK, PRIORY OF HOLY TRINITY OF ¹⁷⁸ . . . 4-16, Spec. 25; A.D. 1365.

Oval, $1\frac{7}{8}$ " \times $1\frac{1}{8}$ ". The same device as on nos. 3592, 3593:

SIGILLUM DOMUS SCE TRINITAT EBOR AD CAUSAS

¹⁷⁵ Seal used by him as sub-collector of the procurations of Master Bernard Sistre nuncio of the Apostolic see. Bernard was a canon of St. Hilary's, Poitiers and nuncio in England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland A.D. 1336; and later archdeacon of Canterbury A.D. 1340-42 (Cal. Pap. II, 530, 549; L.N. I, 40).

¹⁷⁶ Originally a collegiate church dedicated to the Holy Trinity. It was refounded in A.D. 1089 by Ralph Paynell as a priory of Benedictine monks subordinate to the abbey of Marmoutier, Tours. Mon. Ang. IV, 680; Not. Mon. 641; V.C.H. Yorks. III, 389; Yorks. Arch. Socy. Record Series XVII, 238. The seal is used here by John (prior John de Chezy, A.D. 1356-1363).

¹⁷⁷ John Green, prior, elected A.D. 1440.

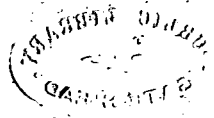
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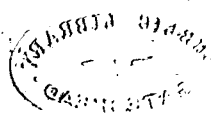
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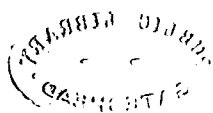
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