### III.—THE SHERIFFS OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

PART I, 1076-1602.

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#### ABBREVIATIONS.

AA-Archæologia Aeliana, four series.

BM-British Museum.

CP-Complete Peerage, G.E.C., new ed.

DS—Catalogue of seals in treasury of the dean and chapter of Durham, AA<sup>3</sup> vols. VII-XVII.

HN—J. Hodgson's History of Northumberland, seven vols.

NCH-A History of Northumberland, fifteen vols., 4to.

PRO-Public Record Office.

RND-Raine's History of North Durham, one vol.

SAL—Society of Antiquaries of London.

SND—Catalogue of seals, AA3 vols. xx and xxI.

No trace of a regular shire system has been found in the Anglian kingdom of Northumbria, though certain districts such as Bamburgh and Corbridge were ruled by a high reeve. It should not, however, be assumed that, because of the absence of evidence, no shire-reeves existed elsewhere in the county. It seems probable that the "shires" later known as North Durham were governed by such officials in Anglian times. At Bamburgh one family provided this officer for several generations and exercised almost regal power there after the Danish invasions of the ninth century. That part of Northumbria, to which the name of Northumberland was given, was ruled, during the later tenth and the first half of the eleventh centuries, by a succession of petty princes who under the title of earls governed it from

Bamburgh. Osulf, the first of these official earls, styled himself in charters dating c. 946-49 "high reeve of Bamburgh." They ruled directly, and it was not until, in 1076, Walcher bishop of Durham (1071-80) received in charge the government of Northumberland and was later reckoned as earl, that its affairs, like those of the shires, were administered by a sheriff. The Anglo-Saxon shirereeve became the Norman viscount (vicecomes): but he remained as he had been long before the Conquest, the king's representative; he did not, as the name would imply. derive his authority from the earl. As Stubbs says, "he was the king's representative judicial, fiscal and military in the shire." After the rebellion of earl Robert of Mowbray in 1005, the county was taken into the king's hands and given in charge to Roger Picot. It remained in the crown until 1130, when Stephen alienated it by treaty to David I of Scotland, who conferred the earldom upon his son Henry earl of Huntingdon.4 Whilst the county was in the crown and under the earls of the royal house of Scotland (1139-57) the office of sheriff became hereditary in one family (c. 1107-50) who, like their predecessors of the ninth century, ruled it from Bamburgh. After ceasing to hold official rank they continued to use the title Le Viscount as a surname and seem to have administered certain royal estates at Bamburgh. 5 Bamburgh castle remained for many years an appanage of the shrievalty, and even when the New castle upon Tyne became the sheriff's chief charge, Bamburgh was often specially named as being also in his custody. There was also a succession of high reeves at the royal town of Corbridge. Aluric, the last of them, was contemporary with Ligulf of Bamburgh, and they appear to have held the shrievalty together, writs addressed to them jointly can be dated between the years 1107-18; as Dr. Craster says,

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;heahgerefa, Bebb'." NCH x, 38.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CP IX, 705.
<sup>3</sup> Hist. Intros. Rolls Series, ed. Hassall, p. 123.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> CP 1X, 704. <sup>5</sup> NCH x, 38.

"the shrievalty was put in commission and entrusted to the high reeves of the two chief royal burghs."6 A writ of Henry I, dated not later than 1118, is addressed to Odard as sole sheriff of Northumberland.

It must be remembered that large districts within the geographical county of Northumberland were not in mediæval times under the jurisdiction of the royal sheriffs. There were three of these franchises or liberties, namely North Durham, Hexhamshire and Tyndale; the administration of these districts can be only very briefly mentioned here.

The most important was North Durham, which comprised Norhamshire or the region around Norham, Islandshire or Holy Island and the adjacent mainland and the small enclave around Bedlington called Bedlingtonshire. Liberty, as its name implies, formed a detached part of the palatinate of Durham over which the bishops of Durham as lords palatine, normally exercised the rights and privileges which the sovereign enjoyed in the kingdom generally. They appointed their own justices, sheriffs and other officials; the constable or governor of Norham castle being usually the sheriff.7 Their names and arms will, it is hoped, be published when the list of county sheriffs is completed. Bishop Tunstall was deprived of his see in 1559, and the temporalities of North Durham were then alienated from the bishops of Durham by act of parliament and continued to be specially reserved to the Crown at the restitution to each succeeding bishop, though the district remained part of the county palatine of Durham until 1844.

The regality of Hexham included the parishes of Hexham, Allendale and St. John Lee, which probably formed the district which queen Ethelthryth,8 consort of Ecgfrith, gave in 674 to Wilfrid, out of her dower, to build the church of Hexham and endow the bishopric. The regality passed

<sup>NCH x, 39 and note.
Reg. Pal. Dunelm. 1, 19; Co. Pal. of Durham, Lapsley, p. 91.
NCH III, 20.</sup> 

into the hands of the bishops of Lindisfarne in 883, and after the establishment of the see at Durham it was governed by a succession of provosts appointed by the bishops. This arrangement seems to have continued until towards the last quarter of the eleventh century when, after the wasting of the north by William the Conqueror in 1071, the last provost handed over the government to the archbishop of York, whose successors in the see enjoyed almost complete sovereignty in the shire.9 Neither the king's justices nor his sheriffs exercised their authority within its bounds. The administrative system set up by the archbishop does not concern us here; it is sufficient to say that their chief executive officer was a bailiff whose duties were almost exactly those of the royal sheriffs of the county. The regality ceased to exist after 1545 when it passed to the crown.

North and South Tyndale were both part of the ancient heritage of the Anglian earls whose rights there passed to the Scottish kings by the marriage of Maud, daughter and heiress of earl Waltheof, to David I of Scotland. In 1157 Henry II deprived the young earl William of the earldom but granted him both North and South Tyndale<sup>10</sup> to be held as a regality by homage only, and so for more than a century they remained in the possession of the Scottish kings. After the death of Alexander III in 1289, the separation between north and south took place, the latter came to the crown whilst the former was eventually granted by Edward III<sup>11</sup> to his queen Philippa as an independent franchise: such it remained until by a statute of 1495 it became part of the county of Northumberland, though it has been stated that the king's writs did not run in Tyndale until the time of George III.

To return to the county shrievalty, the Bamburgh hereditary dynasty came to an end when, in 1157, Mal-

<sup>9</sup> NCH III, pp. 22/23.

NCH xv, 155.
 NCH xv, 156.

colm IV of Scotland surrendered the earldom of Northumberland to Henry II. The strong hand of that monarch was at once felt when William of Vesci, lord of Alnwick and one of the greater barons, was given the custody of the county and ruled it for some years as sheriff. Men of baronial rank, not directly connected with the county, who sometimes acted by deputy, were appointed for several years after William of Vesci, until in 1200 John appointed Robert son of Roger lord of Warkworth; he had grants of many other manors in Northumberland, but his chief estates were in Norfolk; he also acted by deputy. After Robert's death the shrievalty was put in commission for a year, and then another stranger, the able but cruel and ruthless Philip of Ulcotes, was appointed; he held the office for some six years (1213-10) and assisted John in his savage campaign against the northern barons in the winter of 1215-1216. From then onwards local men of knightly rank, or at least belonging to families of that rank, were usually appointed. They were men of importance and influence, whose ability had been proved and who had taken a leading part in the administration of both the civil and military affairs of the county, and as members of Parliament, justices of the peace and royal commissioners were accustomed to manage public business. Such men, with some few exceptions, continued to hold the office until the present time. Some of them, though of local origin, were yet men whose fame extended far beyond the bounds of their bailiwick; a few of these may be named more particularly here.

Adam of Jesmond (1261-63) held the county and the royal castle of Newcastle against the rebel barons, and after prince Edward's victory at Evesham was rewarded and commended for "his laudable service"; as "our beloved Adam of Jesmond bearer of the cross" he went with Edward to the last crusade, but did not live to return to the goodly house he had built for himself on the banks of the Northumberland Ouse, whose ruins still remain his unrecognized memorial in Heaton park.

William of Felton (1341-43), a knight of the king's household who spent his early life guarding the marches towards Scotland and the royal castles within them and beyond in Scotland; he pleaded that he could not render his account as sheriff "as he was making continual stay upon the munition of Roxburgh and upon the safety of the king's Marches." He married, because of his love for her, 12 his ward Isabel countess of Fife, a granddaughter of Edward I. His shield of arms, alone amongst those of Englishmen, bore the royal Scottish tressure. It encircled, on his shield, the passant silver lions of L'estrange, for his name was from the Shropshire Felton, a fief of the lords of Knockin. He was of the king's retinue, accompanied by four knights and nine esquires, in the famous campaign of Calais and Crecy and received pardon for all his trespasses because of his "good service there and in Scotland." shield of arms yet remains above his tomb recess in the remote church of Edlingham, nearby the ruins of his castle.

Sir John Coupland (1350-55) lives in the pages of Froissart's Chronicle, 13 who tells how "there (i.e. at Neville's Cross, 1346) was the king taken (David of Scotland), who fought valiantly and was severely wounded: a squire of Northumberland took him, called John Copland; and as soon as he had taken the king, he went with him out of the field, and so rode all that day till he was fifteen leagues from the place of battle and at night he came to a castle called Ogle and then he said he would not deliver the king of Scots to any man or woman living except to the king of England his lord." For this exploit he was made a knight banneret and rewarded by an annuity of £500. He was afterwards constantly employed upon the guard of the northern marches until he was murdered, whilst on the king's business, at Bolton Moor in 1363.

Alan del Strother (1356) was not of great renown, but

<sup>12</sup> Scalachronica, ed. Maxwell, p. 126.

<sup>13</sup> Trans. lord Berners, ed. 1814, vol. 1, p. 303.

he it is who in all likelihood lives in the Reeve's tale of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales as one of the

"yonge pouré clerkes two . . . John highte that oon and Aleyn highte that oother; Of o town were they born, that highte Strother, Fer in the North, I kan nat telle where."

He was ordered in his year of office to array the men of Northumberland "against hostile invasion and the destruction of the English tongue."

Sir Henry Percy (Harry Hotspur) (1399), the famous son of the first Percy earl of Northumberland, was knighted at Windsor (1377) at the coronation of Richard II whilst yet a youth and made a knight of the Garter in 1388. He spent most of his strenuous life fighting on the Borders; he was taken prisoner by earl Douglas at the "deed that was done at the Otterburn" (1388), but had his revenge for this at Homildon Hill (1402) when the English archers won a typical victory over the Scots. His rash rebellion against Henry IV was ended by his death on the field of Shrewsbury in 1403.

Robert of Umfraville (1401) was of a cadet branch of the great Norman house of Prudhoe and Redesdale. He was lord of Harbottle and Warkworth and spent his earlier life guarding the northern castles and marches. He was Admiral of England, a knight of the Garter and one of that "band of brothers" who fought with Harry the king at Agincourt.

The shrievalty is the oldest secular office still existing under the crown; it was through it that "the Norman and Angevin kings built up the overriding authority of the king's peace and the king's justice." The sheriffs of Northumberland therefore as elsewhere exercised great authority: they enforced military service and often led to battle the arrays of their bailiwicks; they presided over the county courts, collected the royal dues and accounted for them at the exchequer. Their powers were, however, gradu-

ally lessened as the central government became more powerful and delegated its authority to others; justices itinerant dispensed the king's justice, commissioners of over and terminer tried special cases, justices of the peace administered local justice and increasingly managed local affairs, whilst commissioners of array, of whom the sheriff was usually one, were often appointed to levy the armed forces of the county. In later times their authority has been further weakened by the appointment of lords-lieutenant and by the creation of county, burgh and rural district councils, until the office has become largely an honourable sinecure whose holder's chief duty is to welcome, with dignified and costly ceremonial, his majesty's judges of assize upon their arrival, to provide hospitality and to entertain them whilst in the county. Even this duty has been reduced as, because of the war, the Lords of the Counci! ordered in 1941 that the traditional ceremonial should be simplified and a reduction made in the cost of entertain-In Northumberland the assizes of the city and county of Newcastle upon Tyne are held at the same time and place as those of Northumberland, and the duty of public hospitality is largely, by mutual arrangement, now provided by the city, thus again lessening the duties of the "High Sheriff," as he has been popularly called since Tudor times.

The early sheriffs were appointed during pleasure and often, as we have seen, the same man held the office for many years. Edward III by statutes of the fourteenth, twenty-first, and forty-second years of his reign restricted the term of office to one year; this law was usually observed though the same man was sometimes appointed, after an interval, for a further term; a statute of I Richard II forbade such reappointment within three years. The war between Henry III and the barons led by Simon of Montfort had its effect upon the succession of sheriffs in Northumberland; after the battle of Lewes Adam of Jesmond was

<sup>14</sup> Lists and Indexes IX, p. iv.

deprived of his office and the barons appointed Robert del Isle in his place, who was in his turn superseded when Henry III gave the office to John of Halton. In 1384 Richard II granted the office for life to Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland. The regular sequence of sheriffs was again interrupted during the anarchy in the country caused by the Wars of the Roses when, in 1466, Edward IV appointed Sir John Neville, K.G., earl of Northumberland and marquess of Montagu, to the office for life; he held it from that date until his death on the field of Barnet in 1471. In 1474 Sir Henry Percy, earl of Northumberland, was also appointed for his lifetime; he seems to have held it until his death in 1489, its duties being performed by a series of under-sheriffs. From the latter date until the present day the sequence has remained unbroken.

The exact term of office of the earlier sheriffs is not certain, those given being only approximate. The dates of the later ones are usually those of the Michaelmas of the years in which they were appointed; exceptions to this are noted when they occur. The names to 1832 are taken, in the main, from A List of sheriffs of England and Wales published in 1898 by the Public Record Office (Lists and Indexes IX), but some few additions and alterations have been made from other authorities by the writer. From 1832 to 1854 he has been helped by a manuscript entitled ACollection of letters, deeds, etc., connected with the High Sheriffs of Northumberland recently purchased by the Public Library of Newcastle upon Tyne; after that date to the present day the names are from the warrants of appointment preserved at the Moot Hall which, by the kind help of Mr. F. W. Grieve, have been made available to the writer. It has not been found possible to print the complete list from 1076 to 1941 in this volume, so the present part comprises only the sheriffs from 1076 to 1602. The remainder it is hoped to print in the volume for 1943.

From about the beginning of the fourteenth century county sheriffs used an official seal of a well-defined type.

The device was a triple-towered and battlemented castle gateway, adopted probably because the royal castles, situated in the different bailiwicks, were given in charge to each sheriff with the county. In Northumberland this was at first Bamburgh and later the New castle upon Tyne, but sometimes both of them were in his keeping.

The earliest sheriff's seal that I have found is that of Ralf Giffard, sheriff of Essex in 1319; it shows the castellated gateway with a lion ramping up each side, there is no legend nor anything to tell to whom it belonged (pl. III, no. 5). The seal of John of Coupland, of a little later date, is of the same plain design (BM 5228).

Later in the century the sheriff's armorial shield or a charge from it was placed in front of the gateway as shown upon the seals of the Northumbrian sheriffs Henry del Strother and Robert of Umfraville dated respectively 1364 and 1371 (pl. III, nos. 1, 2).

Shields of arms were sometimes displayed more conspicuously and, either upright or couched, became the chief motive in the design, the triple-towered and battlemented castle gate was placed entirely above the shield and the sides of the seal were filled in with foliage or tracery<sup>15</sup> (pl. III, nos. 6-10).

After the first decade or so of the fifteenth century the castle gateways are of a more developed type, broader and slightly convex, whilst the central tower has become a circular battlemented keep contained within the gate walls which are flanked on each side by round battlemented and masoned towers. The shields upon this type are couched and the initials of the sheriff are often placed on each side (pl. III, nos. II-I5).

Later in this century the castle ceases to appear as a tower of strength and becomes more an ornamental hall doorway with side pillars and mock battlements, whilst the central tower has degenerated into a meaningless circular decoration (pl. III, no. 22). Shields of arms are sometimes

<sup>15</sup> See also Herald and Genealogist, vols. IV and V.

present (pl. III, no. 23), but the tendency was to use initials

only for identification.

Legends around these seals were exceptional, but they do sometimes occur either to denote that it is an official seal (pl. III, no. 17) or else giving the name of the user (pl. III, no. 20).

Castles of various styles continued to be the normal type of seal used by sheriffs generally until quite modern times. It was usually accompanied by the user's initials and date of year of office with his crest placed above the gateway (pl. III, no. 24). An armorial seal was, however, sometimes used from about the middle of the sixteenth century when castles had ceased to be of military importance (BM 5240). This style did not become general until a much later date; it therefore, with the later development of the castle badge, will be considered when the second part of this paper is published.

There are some exceptions to the use of the castle upon the seals of county sheriffs. Those of the palatinate of Durham show a bishop's mitre surrounded by a coronet,



with the initials of the particular sheriff at each side. They were appointed by the bishop as lord palatine; the coronet around the mitre symbolized this secular rank. One of the sheriffs of the conjoined counties of Bedford and Buckingham used in 1365 the canting device of a buck's head cabossed with the surrounding legend s' VIC' B' ET B' (BM 4704). A later seal for the same counties, used either by Thomas Rokes in 1445 or by Thomas Reynes in 1461,

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  Seals are Adam Bowes 1311, John Menville 1339 and Robert Umfraville 1371.

showed a lantern between the buck's horns—possibly to light him to bed! (p!. III, no. 17). The legend reads sigillu': offici: vic' bed' et buck'. Some of the seals of the joined counties of Oxford and Berkshires have, in addition to the castle and armorial shield, an ox issuing out of the gateway and about to cross a ford (pl. III, nos. 19, 20, 22). Two similar seals for these counties are illustrated in The Herald and





Genealogist, v, 193, and are here reproduced. One having a shield charged with two bars was that of Sir Thomas Harcourt, sheriff in 1407, the other with a cross engrailed between four birds was that of Sir Walter Mauntell, sheriff 1456. A later Harcourt seal (1491) for the same counties omitted the punning device but placed the family crest of a peacock close, above the castle (pl. III, no. 21). Two fifteenth century seals of sheriffs of the joined counties of Essex and Herts. placed an animal like a bear in the gateway, the meaning of which is not apparent (pl. III, nos. 16, 23).

Examples of sheriffs' seals are not very numerous, possibly because the documents upon which they were used were not of permanent value and therefore were not preserved. The Catalogue of Seals in the British Museum contains only fourteen examples, none of them being available for inspection at the present time (1941). There are some in the Public Record Office, and I am indebted to Mr. Hilary Jenkinson of that office for procuring me casts of those illustrated on plate III, and also for giving me the necessary references. I am also indebted to Mr. H. S. Kingsford, secretary of the Society of Antiquaries, for, at considerable trouble, sending me from their present place of security examples of these seals belonging to that society; they are noted on the key to plate III. It will, however, be understood

that, because of war conditions, it has not been possible to make an extensive search for further examples; it does not, however, seem probable that those unseen will differ much from those here described and illustrated.

Two matrixes of these seals are illustrated on plate III, nos. 14, 21, by permission of the Chapter of the College of Heralds, from reproductions of them on plate XLIX in The Catalogue of Heralds Commemorative Exhibition 1484-1934. Number 22 on the same plate is taken from plate XXV in A Catalogue of British Heraldic Art, Burlington Fine Arts Club, 1916.

There are only nine known examples of seals of the sheriffs of Northumberland before 1602:

John of Coupland. 1350-55. BM 5228.

John Heron. 1357, 1360-61. DS 1272.

Henry del Strother. 1364. pl. III, no. 1.

Robert of Umfraville. 1371. pl. III, no. 2.

Henry earl of Northumberland. 1384-87. pl. III, no. 3.

Robert of Ogle. 1439.

John Heron. 1444. SND 387.

Roger Widdrington. 1450. SND 846.

John Harbottle. 1483. pl. III, no. 4.

Examples after 1602 will be dealt with in the second part of this paper.

The method of the appointment of county sheriffs varied at different times and in different places, but generally the appointment was made by the Crown upon the advice of the Council. The sheriff acted by virtue of a commission issued under the great seal. The principal exceptions to this were Westmorland, where the shrievalty had become an office hereditary in one family; Lancashire, where the appointment was made by letters patent issuing from the chancery of the duchy; Durham, where, as said above, the appointments both for the county itself and for its outlying portion of North Durham were made by the bishop of Durham as lord palatine; Cornwall, where the duke is sheriff

but acts by deputy, and Cheshire, an ancient palatinate, which ultimately came to the Crown and the king appointed either as earl or as king. For these various methods see *Lists and Indexes* IX, pp. iii and iv. Examples of the different styles of commissions of appointment are given in the same volume, pp. vi-xi. The appointment of Robert of Umfraville as sheriff of Durham in 1371 is no. XVII.

The modern warrant reads as follows:

# AT THE COURT AT ST. JAMES'S

#### Present

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

To . . .

Whereas his Majesty was this day pleased by and with the advice of his Privy Council to nominate and appoint you for and to be Sheriff of the County of Northumberland during his Majesty's pleasure. These are to require you to take the custody and charge of the said County and duly to perform the duties of Sheriff thereof during his Majesty's pleasure and whereof you are duly to answer according to law.

dated . . .

WALCHER, BISHOP OF DURHAM, 1071-80; EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND, 1076-80.

### c. 1076-80. GILEBERT.

Appointed sheriff by the bishop after his accession as earl of Northumberland in 1076. He witnessed a charter of earl Waltheof as *Gileberti nepotis episcopi*. He was murdered at Gateshead on the same day as the earl-bishop.

ROBERT MOWBRAY, EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND, 1080-95.

c. 1085-95. MOREL.

Nephew of the earl, styled Morel of Bamburgh, held lands known as Archimorel at Eglingham and Bewick, slew Malcolm of Scotland at Alnwick in 1093, joined in the earl's rebellion, was exiled and died abroad. He had the custody of Bamburgh castle which for many years later was an appanage of the shrievalty.

### HENRY I, 1100-35.

c. 1107-18. LIGULF OF BAMBURGH.

Son of Eadwulf who was living at the Conquest, he attests a charter of Edgar of Scotland (1097-1107) as Ligulf of Bamburgh. He appears to have administered the district around Bamburgh and to have been joint sheriff with Aluric of the whole county. (NCH x, 37-41.)

c. 1107-18. ALURIC OF CORBRIDGE.

Joint sheriff with Ligulf, administered that part of Northumberland attached to the royal burgh of Corbridge, appointed by Henry I to act jointly as sheriff in the whole county. (See NCH x, 37-41.)

c. 1118-32. ODARD OF BAMBURGH.

Son of Ligulf, he is styled Odard of Bamburgh, witnessed earl David's charter to Selkirk abbey (1119-24) as Odardus vicecomes de Babenburch, in 1121 he is styled vicecomes Northymbrensium, he was still sheriff Michaelmas 1131 and died 1132.

# STEPHEN, 1135-54.

 $c.~1133-50.~\mathrm{ADAM}~\mathrm{SON}~\mathrm{OF}~\mathrm{ODARD}.$ 

He was the second son of Odard and seems to have been sheriff during his elder brother William's lifetime, whose heir he was. As Adam vicecomes North-umbrie he made a grant to St. Cuthbert to which his seal is attached (DS 31; charter NCH II, 12), he witnessed two charters of earl Henry (1140-52) as well as Eustace son of John's charter to Alnwick abbey c. 1147.

#### HENRY II, 1154-89.

#### c. 1157-69. WILLIAM OF VESCI.

Gules a cross patonce silver.

Son of Eustace son of John, lord of Alnwick and his wife Beatrice of Vesci, from whom William took his surname. He had confirmation of all his lands from Henry II dated with the army in Wales (c. 1157-58); he married Burga daughter of Robert of Stute-

ville; became a monk in Alnwick abbey and died there c. 1184. His seal shows the canting device of a vetch plant. The arms are those given for his grandson in roll of Henry III.

### 1170-85. ROGER OF STUTEVILLE.

¬ Barry silver and gules.

Son of Robert Stuteville, a northern baron, one of the English commanders at the battle of the Standard in 1138. He was brother-in-law of William of Vesci, captain of Wark on Tweed during its siege by William the Lion in 1174,

constable of Edinburgh 1177. Arms are as blazoned for Robert in thirteenth century roll.

# 1186-90. ROGER OF GLANVILLE.

Nothing has been found about him. He may have been of the same family as Ranulf Glanville the justiciar and chief justice.

RICHARD I, 1189-99.

IIQI-Q2. WILLIAM OF STUTEVILLE.

Barry silver and gules a lion rampant sable.

Son and heir of Robert of Stuteville whom he succeeded; he married Bertha a niece of Ranulph of Glanville, the justiciar and chief justice, 1180; keeper of Topcliffe castle 1174, of Roxburgh 1177, appointed sheriff of Northumberland, Cumberland and Westmorland in

1200 by John together with the keeping of the castles in these counties; sheriff of Yorks. 1201; died 1203. Arms are as blazoned for Robert le Stotevile le Normand in Henry III roll.

1191. Reynold Basset accounts for him.

1194-99. HUGH BARDULF.

Azure three cinquefoils gold.

Little is known of this man; he was probably of the family who were lords of Wermegay in Norfolk; justiciar 1183-84, justice itinerant 1186-87, died c. 1203.

1197. Osbert son of William accounts for him.

JOHN, 1199-1216.

1200. WILLIAM OF STUTEVILLE, as 1191-92. John Laleman accounts for him.

1200-13. ROBERT SON OF ROGER.

Quarterly gold and gules a baston sable.

Son of Roger son of Richard and his wife Adeliza of Vere widow of Henry of Essex; he was born 1168, married Margaret daughter and heiress of William of Chesney lord of Horsford, Norfolk. He had confirmation of

his father's manor of Warkworth in 1199 and from

his marriage possessed large estates in Norfolk. He was a favourite of John and received grants of the manors of Corbridge, Newburn and Rothbury in 1204-1205; died 1214.

The following account for him:

1200. William son of Rosceline.

Mich. 1200. Ralph of Furnell.

1203 and 1205. Robert of Kent.

1204 and 1206. Angot of Corv.

1207. Thomas Haltein.

1208. William of Blunville.

1210. William Blundus.

1213. WILLIAM OF WARENNE, earl of Surrey, Aymer of Tailboys and Philip of Ulcotes jointly.

#### WILLIAM OF WARENNE.



Checky gold and azure.

Son and heir of Hamelin of Warenne, succeeded as earl of Surrey 1202, married Maud daughter and heiress of William earl of Pembroke, sided with John against the Pope and barons, a surety of his keeping Magna Carta,

afterwards joined Henry III; died 1240.

#### AYMER OF TAILBOYS.



Silver a saltire gules on a chief gules three escallops silver.

Said to have been a nephew of bishop Philip of Durham, archdeacon of Carlisle 1196, archdeacon of Durham 1198, prebendary of Lichfield 1213.

Mich. 1213. William Brito accounts for him.

1213-19. PHILIP OF ULCOTES.



Paly a border charged with roundels (seal).

Appointed sole sheriff 1213. He was the son of Gerard of Stirap, his name is from Olcote in Blyth, Notts., married Joan daughter of Robert of Mesnil; he was a supporter of John against the barons; constable of Chinon 1202,

keeper of the see of Durham 1208-17, constable of Wark castle 1212, coroner of Matfen 1210, king's forester 1218, justice itinerant 1218-19, steward of Poitou 1220, died 1220.

1214-19. William of Stratton accounts for him.

HENRY III, 1216-72.

June 1220. HUGH OF BOLBEC, knt.

Vert a lion rampant silver (or ermine).

Son and heir of Hugh I and his wife Margery of Munfitchet; lord of the barony of Bolbec or Styford, Northumberland, and a man of great influence in the north; in 1222 to settle a border dispute with the Scots, guardian

of the lands of the king of Scots in Tyndale 1236, in same year received Alexander of Scotland for Henry III to discuss peace, justice itinerant 1227-28, governor of Bamburgh castle 1236, sheriff again 1236-46, died 1262 holding more than twelve knights' fees and leaving four daughters his coheiresses. He did not account for this year at the exchequer.

1221-22. ROBERT OF WHITCHESTER, knt.



Party indented gold and vert.

His parentage is unknown; he witnessed a deed of Hugh of Baliol in 1216, keeper of the manor and house of Nafferton which had belonged to Philip of Ulcotes 1221, guardian of the ward of Newcastle upon Tyne 1221, justice of assize of novel disseisin 1229-31, justice at Newcastle 1230,

appointed with others to hear an appeal at Newcastle 1234, ordered 11 Feb. 1223 to give up the county to William Briwer, jun. He held land at Eachwick, Whitchester and Benwell; married firstly Isabel and secondly Emma, neither of their surnames are known; died c. 1243.

### 1223-24. WILLIAM BRIWER, the younger.

He was probably the son of William Briwer, a justice itinerant and a baron of the Exchequer in 1221. In 1219 he was appointed to inquire as to forests in Devon, collector of tallage in Northumberland and Cumberland 1223, 12 Nov. 1224 ordered to deliver the castle of Newcastle upon Tyne to John son of Robert, 1227 granted Hubert Burgh all his land of "Pochewell" which William his father gave to him in his lifetime. Joan, late wife of William Briwer, ordered to deliver up the castle of Bridgenorth, 1233.

1223. Roger of Langford accounts for him.
1224. Thomas of Tetteburn accounts for him.

# 1224-28. JOHN SON OF ROBERT.



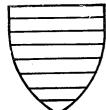
Quarterly gold and gules a baston sable. Lord of Warkworth, son and heir of Robert son of Roger (sheriff 1200), married Ada daughter of Hugh of Baliol; one of the twentyfive lords to ensure the execution of Magna Carta; governor of Newcastle upon Tyne; died 1240.

1225. Roger Paup. accounts for him.

1226. Guy of Clavering accounts for him.

1227. William Conyers accounts for him.

1228-35. BRIAN SON OF ALAN.

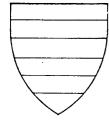


Barry gold and gules.

Son of Alan lord of Bedale, and of Askham Brian in the Ainsty, married Alice daughter of Gilbert Hansard of Evenwood; governor of Bamburgh 1230-36, sheriff of Yorks.; living in 1242.

1229-31. Hugh of Magneby accounts for him. 1230. Richard of Carrow also accounts in this year. 1233-35. John of Mersk accounts for him.

1235-36. RICHARD OF GREY.



Barry silver and azure.

There was more than one man of this name in active employment on public affairs at this date, and it is difficult to distinguish one from another. This Richard was sheriff 22 Oct. 1235. A later sheriff, Adam of Jesmond, served abroad in 1241 under William of Grey who may have been this man's son.

1236-46. HUGH OF BOLBEC, as 1220.

1237-45. Alan of Kirkby accounts for him.

1244-46. Robert of Cambo accounts for him.

1246-57. WILLIAM HERON.



Gules three herons silver.

Son of William Heron of Hadstone; lord of Ford in right of his wife Mary daughter and heiress of Odinel of Ford; in 1245 had protection going to Wales with John Maunsel, 1247 as sheriff to assess tallage in Northumberland, 1248 keeper of Bamburgh castle

and its desmesnes, 1252 pardoned for any trespass or

injuries committed whilst sheriff, 1253 called "formerly sheriff," June 1253 to deliver Bamburgh to John of Lessinton, July 1253 styled sheriff, 1255 John of Lessinton to deliver to him as sheriff the castle of Newcastle and the manor of Bamburgh and also the justiceship of the king's forests beyond Trent for him to keep during pleasure, 1255 keeper of castle of Scarborough, 1256 to deliver castle of Wark to Robert of Ros, April 1257 to deliver forests beyond Trent to John D'Eyville; d. 1257.

1257. William son of John accounts for him.

Jan. 1258. ROBERT OF NEVILLE, knt.

Gules a saltire silver.

Son of Geoffrey and grandson of Isabel Neville and her husband Robert son of Maldred. Succeeded to Raby and Brancepeth 1242, did homage for his grandfather's lands 1254, justice of forests beyond Trent 1258, March 1258 as sheriff to keep Wark

castle for the king, keeper of Bamburgh and Newcastle upon Tyne castles 1259, sent to Scotland on king's business 1260, justice in eyre for pleas of forest in the five northern counties, keeper of Devizes castle 1263, sheriff of Yorks. and keeper of castle 1263, summoned to king with safe conduct for his horses and men, for counsel against invasion 1264-65, ceded forests north of Trent 1265, keeper of Pickering castle and manor 1266, to conduct Alexander of Scotland and Margaret his queen to Henry III, justice of forests pleas in Yorks. 1275, assessor of subsidy in Northumberland 1275, constable of Scarborough castle 1276, to serve for two knights' fees against the Welsh 1276, protection going overseas 1278, held lands in Northumberland and Durham in right of his wife Ida widow of Roger Bertram: died 1282.

Nov. 1258. JOHN OF PLESSY, knt.



. . . a lion rampant . . . (Seal).

Lord of Plessy and Shotton, Northumberland, held lands also in Stannington, steward of Morpeth castle, keeper of the castle of Newcastle upon Tyne 1258, summoned to council at Windsor 1263, with others to hold

inquest on lands of Roger Bertram of Bothal 1263, commissioner to extend lands of John of Eslington 1265, to inquire whether John of Vesci may have a port of his own on river Aune (Aln) 1265, is continued as conservator of the peace having done well 1265, has pardon for arrears as sheriff and sub-escheator 1271; died 1279.

1259-61. THOMAS SON-OF MICHAEL, knt.



Silver three lions rampant gules.

Called also Thomas son of Michael of Ryhil, his mother was Alice daughter of William of Flamville, knt.; he was lord of Dalton Ryhil, Yorks., and of Great and Little Ryle, Northumberland; his wife was Isabel daughter of Sir Walran Horton, who married for her second husband

Guiscard Charron; little is known of his life; he was appointed sheriff by the barons, in 1256 he had exemption for life from serving on assizes, juries, etc., or to be appointed sheriff against his will, on 9 July 1261 he was ordered by the king to deliver up Northumberland and the castle of Newcastle to Adam of Jesmond; died c. 1267.

1261-63. ADAM OF JESMOND, knt.



Barry silver and azure in chief three roundels gules.

His shield is differenced from that of Grey, showing a connection with that family. He married first a sister of Robert Gower of Yorks. and secondly Christine of Lascelles coheiress of her father Walter of Ireby; by 5 Dec. 1267 his house at Heaton near Newcastle had been enclosed, crenellated and fortified; he was a royalist and supported Henry III and prince Edward throughout his life. In 1261 keeper of the castle of Newcastle, and mayor of Newcastle upon Tyne, keeper of Derby and the forfeited lands of Robert of Ferrers 1264, justice in the north and conservator of the peace in the north 1268, summoned to Windsor 1263 and during his absence John of Halton was appointed deputy sheriff, 1264 again summoned to Windsor, 1270 had protection going to Holy Land with prince Edward; died c. 1271. Fuller account of him is given in AA3 1.

1261-63. Hugh of Hereford, his clerk, accounts for him.

1264. ROBERT DEL ISLE.

Ermine a lion rampant azure. He was of Newton, son of Otwell del Isle

and his wife Isabel Fauconberg, appointed sheriff by the barons after battle of Lewes . (14 May 1264) when Adam of Jesmond was deprived of the office, conservator of the peace 1264, keeper of castle of Newcastle 1264, John of Halton replaced him after defeat of Simon of Montfort and his friends at Evesham (4 Aug. 1265), in 1274 commissioners acquitted him of any malpractices during his shrievalty; died c. 1299.

1265. JOHN OF HALTON, knt.

Silver two bars azure and in chief three roundels azure.

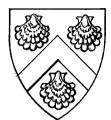
Appointed by Henry III after the battle of Evesham, keeper of castle of Newcastle 1265, assessor of subsidy for Northumberland 1275, commissioner in Northumberland 1282, died

1287, held manors of Halton, Whittington, Sewing-shields and Claverworth in Northumberland. William was his son and heir.

1267. ADAM OF JESMOND, as 1261-63.

John of Lythgreynes accounts for him.

1268-72. GUISCARD OF CHARRON, knt.



Gules a chevron between three escallops silver.

Son of Guiscard "de Sabaudia" who was steward of Richmond in 1243. In 1266 his uncle Peter "de Sabaudia" made him keeper of Bowes castle and forester of Richmond; as constable of Richmond castle he was ordered, 20 July 1268, to de-

liver it to John duke of Brittany, 1267 grant of wardship of the lands and heirs of Thomas of Ryhil, steward of the bishopric of Durham 1278-83, keeper of the castle of Newcastle 1268, justice of assize in certain counties north of Trent 1274, guardian of the bishopric of Durham sede vacante 1283, commissioner in Northumberland, Durham and Yorkshire 1285, grant of free warren in his lands 1290, justice of bishop of Durham 1301; lord of Horton in Blyth, Northumberland, in right of his first wife Isabel of Horton and of Sutton upon Trent in right of his second wife Mary of Sutton, in 1292 he had licence to make a castle of his house at Horton, he died before 1308 when he is styled late justice of the king.

.1269. Richard of Carrow accounts for him. 1271. Ralph of Weresop, his clerk, accounts for

EDWARD I, 1272-1307.

Nov. 1272-74. ROBERT OF HAMPTON.

Arms unknown.

Life exemption from juries 1267, pardon for trespasses 1270, commissioner in Northumberland 1272, sheriff of Cumberland and keeper of Carlisle castle 1274, escheator Cumb., West. and Lanc. 1276, to deliver

demesnes of Carlisle castle to Walter of Stirchlegh 1275, the king's steward demised the demesnes of Carlisle castle to him for six years 1277, dead 25 Oct. 1277, Margery his widow had dower 7 Jan. 1278.

1274-78. JOHN OF LYTHGREYNES, knt.

Gules an orle silver over all a bend gold. His origin is unknown but his arms show a Baliol connection. In 1273 he owed £20 in Northumberland, sheriff of Northumberland and keeper of castle of Newcastle 16 Oct. 1274, sells the advowson of Mitford to the king 1275, commissioner in Northumberland,

Yorks., Lancs., Cumb. and West. from 1275 onwards, sheriff of York and keeper of the castle 1280-85, justice itinerant in northern counties 1285, escheator north of Trent 1295-99, justice of gaol delivery in Kent and Yorks. 1294, commissioner to perambulate northern forests 1297, guardian of archbishopric of York, sede vacante, 1296, pardon of debts as sheriff 1301, at Lincoln parliament 1301, dead Nov. 1303.

1278-81. WALTER OF CAMBO, knt.

... on a cross four crosses-crosslet ... a crescent in dexter chief, a molet in sinister ... (seal).

Son of Robert of Cambo (sheriff 1243), protection going on crusade with king and prince Edward, grant of free warren in his lands in Northumberland 1277, serving as knight with

John Vesci 1277, keeper of Newcastle 1278-81, commissioner in Northumberland 1284-95, in Durham 1283, justice of gaol delivery Newcastle 1290, to cede Bamburgh castle to Edward I 1293, sentenced for forest trespass 1293, ordered to cede Bamburgh castle to John, earl Warren 1295, M.P. Northumberland 1295, wife a daughter of Wm. fitz Geoffrey of Horden, dead 17 April 1296.

1281-88. THOMAS OF DIVELESTONE, knt.

Silver on a fess sable three sheaves gold.

Son and heir of Simon of Diveleston lord of Dilston, married in 1250 Lucy daughter of William Heron of Ford, distrained for knighthood 1278, holding one knight's fee, keeper of

castle of Newcastle 15 Nov. 1281, pardon for expenses going to king in Wales and for fine as sheriff 1289, dead May 1290 holding Dilston as one-third of a knight's fee, Hecham manor and other lands.

1288-92. RICHARD KNUT.

Arms unknown. Nothing has been found as to his parentage; in 1286 had protection going to Scotland, in 1290 was commissioner of oyer and terminer in Northumberland, and in 1291 was again commissioner there.

1292-96. нисн совуом, knt.

Barry silver and gules a label of five points azure.

Son and heir of Richard Gobyon, knt., of Shilvington, held as half a knight's fee late of Robert son of Ralph, exempted from service in Gascony 1295, to cede Bamburgh castle to John earl Warren 1295, summoned

to serve overseas 1297, protection going to Robert son of Roger to defend Scottish Marches 1299, to select men in Northumberland to serve against Scots 1301, M.P. Northumberland 1302, commissioner of gaol delivery Newcastle 1302, lord of manor of Tudhoe, died before 1317.

1296-97. JOHN OF KIRKBY, knt.

Silver two bars gules on a canton gules a cross moline gold.

In 1279 was heir to Alice of Gorham for lands in Leics. and Northants., held lands in Lancs. 1280, assessor of subsidy Yorks. 1294, of tallage in Lancs., Cumb. and West. 1304, commis-

sioner 1295-1304, at king's council at York 1304, I.P.M. 1305, held lands at Kirkeby manor, Yorks.

1297-98. ROBERT OF BALIOL, knt.



Gules an orle silver, with due difference. He does not appear in Baliol pedigrees; as sheriff witnessed a deed of Guy Darrayns of about this date, charged with forest trespass 1278, had charge of forests north of Trent 1280, as knight served with the bishop of Durham against Welsh 1282, and did good

service there, M.P. Yorks. 1297 and 1301, witness at proof of age of Robert Bertram 1308.

1299-1300. ROGER MYNOT, knt.



Gules three helmets silver a label azure.

Had protection for two years 1271 and again 1283, owned lands at Kirkstead 1273, guardian of lands and heir of Richard of Kirkbride of Levington and Kirkandrews 1276, held lands at Midelton, Yorks., summoned to serve against Scots for his lands in Yorks. and

Norfolk 1298 and 1300, styled late sheriff 1301.

1301-03. JOHN OF CAMBO, knt.

Arms probably as 1278. Son and heir of Walter (sheriff 1278), did homage for his lands 1298, M.P. Northumberland 1301-05, commissioner of gaol delivery Newcastle 1305, to stop exports to Gascony from Hartlepool and Newcastle 1307, he sued for his expenses as M.P. 1307, assessor of subsidy, etc., Northumberland 1309, had protection going oversea on pilgrimage 1310. His wife was named Isolde. He was living in 1315.

Oct. 1303. Luke Tailboys, knt.



Silver a saltire gules on a chief gules three escallops silver.

Son and heir of Robert Tailboys, had livery of his father's lands 1281, acknowledges one fee, will serve with two serjeants 1282, pays scutage 1285, assessor of subsidy Yorks. and Northumberland 1297 and 1301-03, overlord

of half Hepple manor 1304, commissioner in Northumberland 1304-05, remitted fine for service in Gascony, as the king was not there, 1311, dead 1316.

1304. JOHN OF CREPPING, knt.



Gules billety gold and a lion rampant silver.

Had livery of his lands 1280, and grant of free warren in them 1283, had protection going overseas with the king 1286 and also going to Ireland to serve with Gilbert of Clare 1288, his inherited lands restored to him and pardon for fine as the

king wishes to show him special favour 1294, commissioner of array in Yorks. 1300, summoned to serve against Scots for lands in Lincs. 1300 and 1301, knight in household of Hugh of Audley 1313, dead 1316.

1305-07. JOHN OF SHEFFIELD.

Nothing has been found as to him except that he was probably a clerk of the king's household, sheriff of Lincoln 1302, and justice of oyer and terminer at King's Lynn 1303.

#### EDWARD II, 1307-27.

April 1307. ALAN OF RETHEBY.

Probably a clerk of the king's household. He appears to have been employed chiefly in Lincs., he was a commissioner of array there in 1309-14, and of oyer and

terminer in 1311-13, in 1309 to assess tallage in Lincs., and a commissioner de vallis et fossatis in the same county in 1310.

Dec. 1307. ROBERT OF FAWDON, knt.

Arms unknown. Lord of Fawdon, in Gosforth, in the lay subsidy roll of 1296, held half a knight's fee in Eachwick 1297, was made a knight of the Bath with prince Edward 22 May 1306, I.P.M. 1314, held manors of Togsden and Dichburne as one knight's fee of Roger son of Ralph.

1308-09. GUISCARD OF CHARRON the younger, knt.

Arms as 1268. Son and heir of Guiscard, (sheriff 1268); manor of Horton, in Blyth, settled upon him 1279, married Alice daughter of Thomas lord Lucy of Cockermouth and held lands in Cumberland 1307, constable of Bowes castle, justice of assize, M.P. 1311, killed at Bannockburn 1314.

Dec. 1309-10. RICHARD OF HORSLEY, knt.

Silver three pierced cinquefoils sable.

Holding one knight's fee in Northumberland he was distrained for knighthood in 1278, served as a knight against the Welsh with Walter of Huntercombe in 1282, M.P. 1300-1311, commissioner to lead and array 1,300

men to Linlithgow 1301, justice of gaol delivery Newcastle 1307, commissioner 1309, had licence for a chaplain in his chapel of St. Nicholas in his manor of Aldinsheles, grant of £20 as lands wasted by Scots 1318, custody of Harbottle and Prudhoe castles with Robert earl of Angus 1316, had order for £40 as wages for his men.

July 1311-12. JOHN OF CAUNTON, knt.



Gules two bars and in chief two molets silver. Nothing has been found as to this man except that his wife was the widow of Thomas of Soules and that he was dead June 1318.

1312-14. WILLIAM OF FELTON, knt.



Gules two lions passant silver and a baston compony gold and azure.

The name is from West Felton in Shropshire and the arms are derived from those of L'Estrange; married Constance coheiress of Philip of Ulcotes; king's yeoman 1286, keeper of Beaumaris 1295, to serve overseas

for his lands at Boddington, Northants. 1297 and 1310, commissioner of array Northumberland 1301, conservator of peace there 1308, keeper of Linlithgow 1307, sheriff of Northumberland and keeper of castle of Newcastle May 1312–Oct. 1314, keeper of Bamburgh castle 1315-16, purchased manor of Edlingham 1294, fought at Falkirk 1298, died 1327.

Oct. 1314. NICHOLAS LE SCOT, knt.

... on a chevron between three molets three ... (seal).

Son of John le Scot, Newcastle merchant; he was bailiff of that town in 1300 and 1305-07; knighted before Oct. 1314, and mayor of the town in 1315; appointed sheriff and keeper of the castle of Newcastle 1314, keeper of the town in 1322, was living in 1335.

May 1315. WILLIAM RIDEL, knt.



Gules a lion rampant and a border indented silver.

Son and heir of William Ridel lord of Tillmouth; captured by Scots and exchanged 1301, custody of the lands, heirs, etc., of Nicholas Poynz purchased by him 1311,

sheriff and keeper of the castle of Newcastle May-Oct. 1315, Aug. 1317 and Oct. 1319, keeper of Barnard castle 1319-23, to keep ten men-at-arms in garrison of the castle of Newcastle 1315, to arrest and imprison Sir John Evers and others suspected of attacking and capturing two Italian cardinals at Rushyford Sept. 1317, had payment for his horses lost at Haddington 1314, wages for ten squires with him at Berwick in garrison 1318, to distribute forty tuns of wine in Northumberland for relief of impoverishment by Scots 1318, conservator of peace in Northumberland 1318, commissioner of array 1321, protection staying on Marches of Scotland 1321, summoned to great Council at Westminster 1324, M.P. Northumberland 1325, died c. 1325.

Oct. 1315-Aug. 1317. ADAM OF SWYNBURNE, knt.

Silver on a cross gules five sheaves gold. Son and heir of John of East Swinburne; married Idonea sister of Henry of Graham with whom he received the manor of Simonburn, confirmed to him in 1291; imprisoned for treason at Berwick 1297, received in 1301 a summer robe and wages for himself and

three squires for forty-eight days' service in Scotland, has the king's thanks and ordered to continue against the Scots and to defend his demesnes in the Marches 1309, commissioner of array 1311-16, with the earl of Richmond and constable of Ruthglen which he repaired 1312, M.P. Northumberland 1313, arrested by king for criticizing the misrule and ruin of the borders 1317, died 1318 when Robert of Sapy, the escheator, was ordered to take all his property into the king's hands.

Aug. 1317-Oct. 1319. WILLIAM RIDEL, knt., as 1315.

Oct. 1319-July 1323. JOHN OF FENWICK, knt.



Silver a chief gules and six martlets countercoloured.

Son and heir of Thomas of Fenwick; married Eleanor daughter of William Felton, knt., had grant for good service 1317, keeper of Bamburgh castle 1318, commissioner of array Northumberland 1319-24, keeper of castle of Newcastle 1319-23,

summoned as knight to Great Council 1324, sheriff 1325-26, exempted from jury service, etc., 1333, died 1346.

1323-24. GILBERT OF BURRADON, knt.



Silver three cinquefoils and a border engrailed sable.

Probably a younger son of Sir Walter Burradon of Burradon, Northumberland; married Elizabeth daughter of Robert Umfraville, earl of Angus; 1321 ordered to assist the sheriff in the destruction of Harbottle castle "in the best and most

secret manner," 1322 to select men in Northumberland for king's service, 1322 to array 500 men in Northumberland for the Scots war, 1323-34 commissioner of oyer and terminer in Northumberland, 1324 to receive Scots and rebels into king's peace, 1331 J.P., 1327 commissioner to keep the peace with Robert Bruce, 1327 to deliver Prudhoe castle to Maurice Berkeley, 1328 commissioner to keep truce with Scotland, 1328 keep peace and watch coast pursuant to statute of Northampton, 1340 to account for moneys received at York, 1340 commissioner in Northumberland, 1341 collector of taxes on wools, etc., 1342 ordered to keep the peace in Northumberland against pirates. His daughter and heiress married Henry of Tailboys.

1325-26. JOHN OF FENWICK, knt., as 1319.

EDWARD III, 1327-77.

June 1327. JOHN DEL ISLE OF WOODBURN, knt.

Arms as 1264. Son and heir of Nicholas del Isle; married a daughter of Gilbert Umfraville, earl of Angus; licensed to alienate property in Newcastle to the hospital of St. Mary, Westgate, overlord of the manor of South Gosforth

1310, holds Great Woodburn of Robert earl of Angus, summoned as knight to the Great Council of 1324, commissioner of array Northumberland 1325, died Easter 1350.

1327-30. JOHN OF LILBURN, knt.

Sable three bougets silver.

Pardoned for adherence to Gavestones 1313, and to Despensers 1318, knighted by the king 1315, constable of Mitford castle 1316, pardon for trespass upon his surrendering Knaresborough castle to John of Mowbray 1318,

pardon to him and his wife Constance for robbing and capturing two cardinals at Rushyford 1318, keeper of Dunstanburgh castle 1322-23, protection staying for the king in Marches of Scotland 1322, summoned as knight to Great Council of 1324, is aged thirty-three and nephew and heir of Christine of Lilburn and has livery of her manor of Lilburn as one knight's fee 1324, commissioner of array Northumberland 1325, enfeoffed by Nicholas of Huntercombe of a moiety of the manor of Wooler and of Belford and Easington manors, ordered to compel ships at north-east ports to join the Admiral of the North 1326, died 1355.

Dec. 1330. ROBERT OF HORNCLIFF, did not account.

Arms unknown. Name from Horncliff, a township on Tweed. 1328 commissioner to keep the truce with Scotland, 1329 commissioner, 1329 exemplification of letters patent dated 1326 whereby appointed keeper of Bamburgh castle, 1331-32 J.P., 1331 commissioner of over

and terminer, justice to arrest and imprison at Clitherow persons who had taken the king's deer in Blackburn forest, 1332 keeper with others of the county of North-umberland, 1332-34 commissioner of oyer and terminer, 1345 pardon for trespasses if will go on king's service when summoned for one year. He died s.p.; in 1348 Agnes his widow granted Thornton in Norham to William Heron.

1331-32. WILLIAM OF TYNDALE, knt.

Silver on a fess sable three sheaves gold.

Son and heir of Thomas of Tyndale and his wife Anabelle of Gunnerton; married Lucy daughter of Robert of Raymes; succeeded to the manor of Dilston 1317, summoned to Great Council 1324, M.P. 1332, commissioner of array in

county 1335, had exemption from services on juries, etc., because of his services in the Scottish wars 1332, made agreement with Henry lord Percy 1334, died 1374, buried Corbridge church.

1332-34. ROGER MAUDUIT, knt.

Ermine two bars gules.

Son and heir of Roger II of Eshot; married Eleanor widow of Robert of Umfraville earl of Angus; holding one knight's fee was distrained for knighthood 1278, assessor of subsidy in Northumberland 1295, M.P. 1309,

1311, 1313, licensed to make a castle of his house at Eshot 1310, captured at Boroughbridge fighting against the king 1322, pardoned 1322, protection whilst in the Marches of Scotland for the king 1322, constable of Dunstanburgh castle 1322, summoned as knight to Great Council of 1324, constable of Prudhoe castle and guardian of the lands of Robert earl of Angus during minority of his heir, to keep the castle with five men-atarms, commissioner of array 1335, protection going overseas with king 1346, died c. 1350.

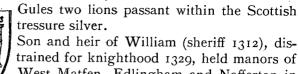
1334-30, ROBERT DARRAYNS, knt.



Silver on an orle gules eight escallops gold.

Son of Guy Darrayns, held the manors of Whittonstall and Callerton Darrayns, Northumberland, married in 1325 Aline, iustice in Norhamshire 1343, died 1344 in debt to the crown, I.P.M. 1345. His arms suggest a Baliol connection.

1341-43. WILLIAM OF FELTON, knt.



Son and heir of William (sheriff 1312), distrained for knighthood 1329, held manors of West Matfen, Edlingham and Nafferton in Northumberland and manors in Durham and Northants., king's yeoman 1318.

knight 1334, married for his second wife Isabel countess of Fife granddaughter of Edward I, commissioner of array in Tyndale 1324, keeper of Wark in Tyndale 1324, keeper of many castles and towers in Yorks. 1326, keeper of Richmond and Bowes castles 1330, keeper and sheriff of Roxburgh 1337-38, guardian of temporalities of Hexhamshire 1340, keeper of the castle of Newcastle 1341-43, respited from sending his accounts as sheriff being in garrison at Roxburgh 1342, going beyond seas 1342, commissioner 1342-43 and 1355, late sheriff and escheator 26 May 1343, served continuously in the king's retinue from passage to La Hogue in Normandy, at Crecy 1346 and elsewhere until king's return to England, had wages for four knights and nine squires, pardoned all trespasses for his good service in France, died 1358, buried in Edlingham church where his tomb yet remains.

1343. JOHN OF STRYVELYN, knt.



Sable crusilly and three covered cups silver. His parentage is unknown; he married first Barnaba daughter and coheiress of Adam of Swinburne and held in her right Bewcastle and other manors; his second wife was Jane daughter and coheiress of Richard of Emeldon

in whose right he held part of the manor of Jesmond; in 1335 he was keeper and sheriff of Edinburgh, in the same year he had a grant of Belsay and the forfeited lands of John of Middleton, and in the following years many grants of other manors and lands for his good services; he was with Edward III at Brest in 1342, in 1345 styled "chivaler" and had protection setting out with the king, styled "banneret" Michaelmas 1346, displayed his banner at Calais 1347, with the king's division at Crecy, served with fifty followers, namely one banneret, one knight, twenty-two esquires and twenty-six archers; he received further grants in later years and died in 1378.

#### 1344. ROBERT OF FENWICK.

Arms as 1319. Brother of John (sheriff 1319), married Margaret daughter and heiress of Sir Robert Coventry, collector of subsidy in Northumberland 1347-54, in 1358 the manor of Fenwick was settled upon him and his heirs, died 1372.

# 1345-47. ROBERT BERTRAM, knt.



Gold an orle azure.

Lord of Bothal, was twelve years of age at his father Robert's death in 1334, in 1343 he had a licence to make a castle of his manor house at Bothal, commissioner of array 1344-45 for Northumberland and Yorks., fought at

Neville's Cross 1346 and was imprisoned for allowing two important prisoners he had taken to escape, had pardon for this 1347, rewarded for his services, sum-

moned to serve with Edward III in Scotland with ten men-at-arms 1347, he married Margaret daughter and coheiress of William of Felton, died 1363.

### 1347. ROBERT OF RAYMES, knt.



Silver a cross engrailed sable.

He owned the manors of Aydon and Shortflat and was lord of a moiety of the barony of Bolam; M.P. 1346, escheator and sheriff 1347-1348, married Agnes who had the manor of Shortflat as her dower; he died in Black death 1349.

## 1348-49. JOHN OF CLIFFORD, knt.



Silver three spread eagles gules.

He was aged eighteen and heir to his grandfather in 1339, whom he succeeded in the manors of Ellingham and Newstead; granted a lease of his wood at Sunderland to convent of Durham 1342; he lived at Newstead whence in 1347 he granted a portion of grain

to Hulne abbey and remitted the homage and fealty due from Alnwick abbey for land at Ellingham; in 1353 had leave to perform divine service elsewhere than in his chapel at Newstead until it could be repaired; in 1362 he and others were concerned in the murder of Sir John Coupland, a warden of the Marches, on Bolton Moor; in 1366 all his lands were confiscated and granted to Joan, wife of the murdered warden.

# 1350-55. JOHN OF COUPLAND, knt.



Silver on a cross sable a pierced molet silver. Claimed lands at Coupland in Glendale in 1338 as his grandfather's heir; in 1344 styled king's yeoman; as an esquire fighting at Neville's Cross he captured David king of Scots; for this he was made a knight banneret

and received an annuity of £500; afterwards he was constantly employed as commissioner and conservator of truces, keeper of Roxburgh castle 1347 and in later years, escheator, etc., 1350-56, keeper of Berwick 1357-1362, warden of the March towards Scotland, captain of Wark on Tweed 1359, in 1351 held a moiety of the barony of Muscamp and of the manor of Wooler, overlord of the manors of Ford and Etal, in 1347 pardon was granted by the king at the request "of his beloved valettus John of Coupland"; he was murdered at Bolton Moor whilst on "the king's business" 20 Dec. 1363 and buried at Carham; in 1366 his body was removed by his widow and buried at Kirkham Priory. His oval seal as sheriff is BM 5228, dated 1355; it shows a triple-towered and embattled castle gateway.

#### 1356-58. ALAN DEL STROTHER.

Gules on a bend silver three spread eagles vert. Lord of Lyham in Glendale and of the manors of Crookden and Sweethope; he also held lands in Kirkharle, Bavington, etc.; possibly he was the young scholar contemporary with Chaucer of whom he writes "Aleyn highte that oother;

of o town were they born, that highte Strother, fer in the North"; grant of lands in Beadnell 1356, commissioner in Northumberland 1357-77, to buy 2,000 salmon at Berwick for royal household 1360, 1363 to inquire into death of Sir John Coupland, 1377 commissioner of array, 1378 to see to repairs of Bamburgh castle, 1379 to array men of Northumberland "against hostile invasion and destruction of the English tongue," commissioner of peace 1380, he was keeper of Roxburgh 1368, bailiff of Tyndale and keeper of Wark in Tyndale 1369-77, died 1381.

# 1358-59. HENRY DEL STROTHER.

Arms as 1356 with due difference; probably brother of above Alan to whom in 1373 he gave the manor of

Moneylaws; in 1368 he had a grant of the forest of Lowes from the king. He was son and heir of William del Strother and Joan his wife and in 1360 had grant of the manor of Langton; commissioner in Northumberland, 1363-74; sheriff again 1364-66. His seal as sheriff is DS 2332; it shows the Strother shield in a castellated gateway (plate III, no. 1).

### 1360-61. JOHN HERON, knt.

Gules a chevron between three herons silver. His seal is on a deed of 1363 in which he is styled knight and late sheriff (DS 1273); his official seal as sheriff is DS 1272 to a document dated A.D. 1357.

Son of Sir William Heron, lord of Ford and other manors. He was lord of Eshot, Craw-

ley and Thornton; in 1343 he was licensed to make a castle of his house at Crawley, commissioner in North-umberland 1348-73, styled knight in 1360, J.P. 1372, constable of Norham 1373, keeper of Berwick 1379-81, dead 1387.

Dec. 1361. ROGER OF WIDDRINGTON, knt.

Quarterly silver and gules a baston sable. Younger son of Sir John Widdrington and Christine Swinburne; had protection going in the retinue of William of Bohun earl of Northampton 1377; fought at Neville's Cross 1346; married firstly Elizabeth daughter of

Richard of Acton, a wealthy merchant of Newcastle; had grants of many manors in Northumberland 1346-1350, conservator of truce with Scotland 1369, warden of East Marches towards Scotland 1369-71, 1346 licensed to make a castle of his house at West Swinburne, commissioner of oyer and terminer and of array in Northumberland between years 1350-70, held part of manor of Plessy 1358, J.P. and keeper of peace in North-



umberland 1368; 1370 to guard Marches towards Scotland to prevent smuggling of wool, sheep, etc.; 1371 licensed to have a chaplain at the altar of the Holy Trinity in St. Mary's chapel, Widdrington; died 1372 seised of Haughton manor and castle, Plessy, East and West Swinburne and many other manors and lands. Edward duke of Cambridge had grant of wardship of his lands and heir 1373.

1362-63. RICHARD OF HORSLEY, esq.

Silver three pierced cinquefoils sable.

Son of John Horsley of Farnham in Coquerdale. Returned to parliament of 1358 for Northumberland as there were no "discreet trusty and able" knights available though he was not a knight; served overseas in the retinue of Henry duke of Lancaster 1360,

ordered as sheriff to keep safe the castle of Newcastle 1363, commissioner 1363, 1369, 1371; he was again sheriff 1367-70; died 1372.

1364-66. HENRY DEL STROTHER, as 1358.

1367-70. RICHARD OF HORSLEY, as 1362.

1371. ROBERT OF UMFRAVILLE, knt.

Gules crusilly and a cinquefoil gold over all a baston azure; his seal as sheriff is DS 2509. (pl. III, 2)

He was the eldest son of Robert IV, second earl of Angus by his second wife Eleanor of Clare; held the manor of Farnacres, Durham, and lands in Elsdon and

Otterburn; on pilgrimage to the Holy land with Sir Roger Percy 1357, J.P. 1364, justice of oyer and terminer 1368, warden of the Marches towards Scotland 1369, commissioner of subsidies 1371, free warren

in his manor of Farnacres 1372, sheriff of Durham and justice there 1372, M.P. Northumberland 1376, sheriff of Durham and justice there 1372, M.P. Northumberland 1376, commissioner 1377-79, died childless 1379.

1372. THOMAS SURTEES, knt.



Ermine on a canton gules an orle silver. Son and heir of Sir Thomas Surtees; owned the manors of Felling and Dinsdale, Durham and North Gosforth, Northumberland; born c. 1337, married Alice of Hilton, succeeded to his estates 1367, styled knight 1361, M.P.

1361, commissioner of array and of oyer and terminer in Northumberland 1372-77, J.P. 1374-77, 1375 commissioner in Yorks., died 1378.

1373. JOHN OF FENWICK, knt.



Arms as 1319. Son and heir of Alan of Fenwick and his wife Katherine Baret of Walker; succeeded to his mother's lands in Walker by 1346, held one knight's fee there in 1363, succeeded to manors of Fenwick, Matfen, etc., 1372, licensed to make a castle of his house at

Fenwick 1378, again sheriff 1398-99, commissioner for taxes in Northumberland 1373-79, ordered to repair Bamburgh castle 1387, died c. 1399.

1374. BERTRAM MONBOUCHER, knt.

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Silver three flesh-pots gules and a border sable bezanty.

Son and heir of Sir Reynold Monboucher and his wife Isabel Willoughby; born c. 1337; married c. 1358 Christine Widdrington; lord of many manors in Yorks., Durham, North-

umberland and Notts., held lands in Newcastle where a tower upon the walls was called after him, M.P. Northumberland 1373, 1377 and 1386, sheriff again 1377, 1379-81, assessor of subsidies 1374-88, to report

upon the state of the castles of Berwick, Roxburgh and Newcastle 1384, in 1386 gave evidence in the armorial trial of *Scrope v. Grosvenor*, was then forty-nine years of age and had borne arms since he was before Paris with Edward III in 1359, served in France under the banner of Henry lord Scrope of Masham, died 1388.

1375. THOMAS OF ILDERTON, knt.

Silver three bougets sable.

Son and heir of Walter Wetwang and his wife Alice Ilderton; he took his mother's surname upon succeeding to the manor of Ilderton held as of the barony of Ros or Wark; he became a knight before 1352, keeper of the castle of

Berwick 1379, constable of Bamburgh 1379, constable of Dunstanburgh 1380, commissioner of array 1377-81, J.P. 1382, justice of oyer and terminer 1382, to defend the Border with other knights 1383, M.P. Northumberland 1383, died c. 1400.

1376. ROBERT OF UMFRAVILLE, knt., as 1371.

RICHARD II, 1377-99.

1377. BERTRAM MONBOUCHER, knt., as 1374.

1378. THOMAS SURTEYS, knt., as 1372.

1379. ALEXANDER SURTEYS, knt.

Arms as 1372. Son and heir of Thomas Surteys (sheriff 1372 and 1378); married Margaret Skipwith; styled knight in 1379, founded a chantry in Dinsdale church 1380, died in September of that year; in 1381 William Skipwith had a grant of the marriage of his heir and of his daughter Alice.

1379-81. BERTRAM MONBOUCHER, knt., as 1374.

1381. AYMER OF ATHOL, knt.



Paly gold and sable a leopard gold on centre pale.

Younger son of David of Strathbogie, twelfth earl of Athol by his wife Jean Comyn, niece and coheir of Aymer of Valence earl of Pembroke; married first Eleanor daughter of Sir

Robert Felton of Litcham and secondly Mary Stewart; justice in Tyndale 1372, had grant of manor of Felton 1372 and was lord of Ponteland, M.P. Northumberland 1365 and 1381, on many commissions in Northumberland 1365-91; in 1378 styled kinsman of the late king; he is sometimes called Emery in place of Aymer; died c. 1402.

1382. ROBERT CLIFFORD, knt.



Checky gold and azure a fess gules (a crescent gold on the fess for difference).

He was of the Cumberland family; married Jane widow of Sir John Stryvelyn (sheriff 1343); in 1379-82 he and his wife held half the manor of Bolam; M.P. Northumberland 1382; living in 1395.

1383-84. JOHN HERON, knt., as 1360.

Nov. 1384-87. HENRY PERCY, earl of Northumberland.



Quarterly I and IV gold a lion rampant azure —Percy, II and III gules three luces silver—Lucy.

Son and heir of Henry lord Percy by Mary of Lancaster; born 1341; knighted before 1361; K.G. 1366, served in France 1369-73, marshal of England 1376, created earl of North-

umberland 16 July 1377, 1377-89 administrating Border affairs, admiral of the north 1383, sheriff of North-umberland for life 1384, captain of Calais 1389, keeper of East and West Marches and of Berwick 1390-94, took part of Henry IV against Richard II, constable of

England 1399, joined rebellion against Henry IV 1403, his son Harry Hotspur killed at Shrewsbury 1403,



received pardon, took part in more plots against Henry IV, found guilty of treason and his honours and estates forfeited, killed at Bramham Moor, where his army was defeated by Sir Thomas Rokeby sheriff of Yorks. 19 Feb. 1407. His seal as sheriff shows a triple towered and

battlemounted castle gateway surrounded by the Percy crescent badge. (pl. III, 3)

Jan. 1387. BERTRAM MONBOUCHER, knt., as 1374.

April 1388. BERTRAM, son of Bertram Monboucher, knt.

Arms as 1374; succeeded to his father's estates 1388; married Elizabeth Bowes; died 1399.

Dec. 1388-89. THOMAS UMFRAVILLE, knt.

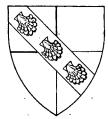


Gules crusilly and a cinquefoil gold over all a baston engrailed silver.

Son and heir of Thomas Umfraville of Harbottle castle and of Holmside, Durham; commission of peace Northumberland 1382-90, commissioner of oyer and terminer Northumberland 1382-90, on other commissions in same years, com-

missioner of array 1388, fought at Otterburn 1388, captain of Berwick 1389 and of Roxburgh in the same year, commissioner for treaty with Scotland 1390, died 1391.

Nov. 1389. RALPH EVERS, knt.



Quarterly gold and gules on a bend sable three escallops sable.

Son and heir of Sir John Evers; born c. 1350; married first Isabel daughter and heiress of Aymer of Athol and secondly Catherine of Aton; held Felton in right of his wife and other manors in Northumberland, Durham and Yorks., served

on many commissions 1380-1420, J.P. Yorks. and Northumberland 1380-1420, ordered to array forces of Northumberland and Yorks. to suppress the rebellion of Henry earl of Northumberland 1403, sheriff of Yorks. 1391 and 1395, sheriff of Northumberland again 1397-1399, styled "king's knight" 1399, had licence to make a castle of his house of Witton 1410, lieutenant of the Constable of England 1411, died 1422.

Nov. 1390-91. JOHN FELTON, knt.

Arms as 1341. Son and heir of Sir William Felton (sheriff 1341) and his second wife Isabel countess of Fife; he succeeded to his father's estates in North-umberland and Northants. on the death of his half-brother William in 1367; married Elizabeth Fenwick; commission of peace for Northumberland 1389-96, fought at Otterburn 1388, on commissions of array and others in Northumberland 1389-96, M.P. Northumberland 1390, died 1396.

1391-97. HENRY PERCY, earl of Northumberland, as 1384.

1397-99. RALPH EVERS, knt., as 1389.

Feb. 1399. JOHN FENWICK, knt., as 1373.

## HENRY IV, 1399-1413.

Sept. 1399—Sept. 1400. HENRY PERCY, knt. (Hotspur), son of the earl of Northumberland.

Arms as 1384 with a label of three points.

Born 1364, knighted at Windsor 1377, first bore arms at Berwick 1378, commissioner on Borders 1383, warden of East March 1384-88, of the West March 1390, again of the East March 1392, 1396 and 1399, with Richard II

in Scotland 1385, at Calais 1386, K.G. 1388, commanded at Otterburn 19 Aug. 1388 where he was made prisoner, 1389 retained in service of king for life, deputy governor of Aquitaine 1393, fought in Wales 1401, with his father against Richard II 1399, won battle of Homildon Hill 1402, rebelled 1403 and was killed at Shrewsbury 21st July 1403. His wife was Elizabeth daughter of Edmund Mortimer earl of March.

March 1400. GERARD HERON, knt.



Gules three herons silver, with due difference. Held the manor of Eshot; son and heir of Sir John Heron; married Elizabeth Taillour; commissioner in Northumberland 1386-92, chamberlain of Berwick 1392-1402, styled king's knight 1400, J.P., constable of Roxburgh

1403, M.P. for Northumberland 1391, died c. 1404.

1401. ROBERT UMFRAVILLE, knt.

Arms as 1371. Brother of Sir Thomas (sheriff 1388) and nephew and heir of Sir Gilbert Umfraville; commissioner in Northumberland 1392, commissioner for truces and treaties with the Scots several times 1392-1406, lieutenant of Roxburgh 1399, keeper of Harbottle 1399, chamberlain of Berwick 1404, had grant of Warkworth 1403, vice-admiral of England 1409, K.G. 1408, governor of Roxburgh 1411, customer of Berwick 1414, with Henry V at Harfleur and Agincourt 1415, succeeded to his nephew's estates. His wife was named Isabel; died childless 1436 and buried at Newminster abbey.

1402. JOHN MITFORD, knt.



Silver a fess between three moles sable.

Probably son of Gilbert Mitford customer of Newcastle in 1351; in 1352 John is styled yeoman of prince Edward, in 1369 he had a grant of the manor of Molesden from the earl of Athol, hence the *moles* on his shield, commissioner in Northumberland 1372-88, justice of

gaol delivery 1375, 1377-1407, J.P. Northumberland, keeper of Tyndale 1386, 1393 as esquire had a grant of £20 a year for his good services, steward of Corbridge

1371, styled knight 1402, died 1409 seized of the manor of Molesden and of a messuage in Mitford.

1403-04. JOHN CLAVERING, knt.



Quarterly gold and gules a bend sable. Son and heir of Sir Robert Clavering, held the manors of Callaley and Yetlington, married Joan daughter of Sir Thomas Heton, styled knight before 1386, commissioner in Northumberland 1406, styled king's serjeant 1409, died 1425.

Jan. 1405. THOMAS ROKEBY, knt.



Silver a chevron between three rooks sable.

Nephew and heir of Sir Thomas Rokeby of Rokeby and Mortham; he was lord of these manors in 1392, styled king's knight and had a grant of the manor of Ryton in Rydale for his good services 1405, commissioner of oyer and terminer in North-

umberland 1407, defeated and killed Henry earl of Northumberland at Bramham Moor 1407, had grant for life of the manor of Spofforth for this in 1408, was at Agincourt with twelve men-at-arms 1415, and at Southampton 1417, commissioner of array in North Riding 1410.

Nov. 1405. ROBERT UMFRAVILLE, knt., as 1401.

1406. ROBERT LISLE, knt.



Ermine a lion rampant azure.

Son and heir of Robert Lisle of Woodburn; proved his age in 1379 and had seisin of his grandfather's lands; married Mary daughter and coheiress of Aymer of Athol and in her right became lord of the manor of Felton and in 1391 succeeded to the manor of South

Gosforth; J.P. 1403-13 Northumberland, M.P. for the county 1397, 1404 and 1414.

1407. ROBERT HARBOTTLE, esq.



Azure three "hair bottles" gold, quartering Charron, Monboucher and Ilderton. Parentage unknown; his wife was Isabel daughter and heiress of Bertram Monboucher, knt., and widow of Sir Henry Heton, knt.; in 1394 he was a serjeant of Sir Richard Redmain constable of Berwick, styled king's esquire in 1400, 1403-

1407, deputy butler of the port of Newcastle, 1404 and 1409 constable of Dunstanburgh, commissioner in Northumberland 1408-18, M.P. 1407, escheator for Northumberland 1408 and 1411, steward of Dunstanburgh for life 1417, J.P. 1416-19, died 1419.

1408. THOMAS GREY, knt.



Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver.

Son and heir of Sir Thomas Grey of Heton and Wark, born 1384, married Alice daughter of Ralph earl of Westmorland, succeeded his father 1400, J.P. Northumberland 1400-10, 1404 had licence with Richard of Ledes to

fulfil his challenge to two Scots to run six courses on horses with lances at Carlisle, Ralph earl of Westmorland and John his son to be judges, 1404 grant for life of office of constable of Bamburgh, 1408 grant of manor of Wooler and three knights' fees, 1410 commissioner of array in Northumberland, executed at Southampton Aug. 1415.

1409. ROBERT TEMPEST, esq.



Silver a bend engrailed between six storm-finches sable.

Probably a younger son of Sir Richard Tempest; married Isabel widow of Sir William Carnaby in 1408, was fined for doing this without licence, had a grant of an annuity of 40 marks 1404, going north on the king's business 1406, to keep two parts of Halton and Great Whittington 1408, commissioner of array 1410-12; he is possibly the man of that name who fought at Agincourt 1415.

1410. JOHN WIDDRINGTON, knt.



Quarterly silver and gules a bend sable. Son and heir of Roger Widdrington of Widdrington; born 1371; in 1386 he was enfeoffed of the manors of Haughton and Humshaugh, and in 1389 of that of Plessy, etc.; commissioner 1403, J.P. 1413-41, commissioner of

array in Northumberland 1410, 1418 and in 1419 and 1427, commissioner of oyer and terminer in Northumberland 1438, died 1443.

1411. JOHN BERTRAM, knt.



Quarterly I and IV silver a fess between three crescents gules—Ogle, II and III gold an orle azure—Bertram.

Son of Sir Robert Ogle and grandson of Helen daughter and heiress of Sir Robert Bertram of Bothal. He adopted the name of

Bertram in place of Ogle, styled knight in 1418, M.P. Northumberland 1413, keeper of Roxburgh 1420-38, commissioner of array 1418 and in later years, commissioner of oyer and terminer 1438, J.P. 1416-49, died 1440.

1412. ROBERT HARBOTTLE, esq., as 1407.

#### HENRY V, 1413-22.

1413. JOHN MANERS, esq.



Gold two bars azure and a chief gules.

Son and heir of Sir Robert Maners of Etal manor and castle, to which place he succeeded his father in 1412; married Anne daughter of Sir John Middleton of Belsay; knighted before 1434, M.P. Northumberland

1421, commissioner of array 1427-34, died 6 Sept. 1438.

1414. EDMUND HASTINGS, knt.



Silver a fess gules between three maunches sable.

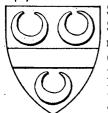
Of Roxby in Pickering Lythe, Yorks.; succeeded in 1403 to the manor and castle of Edlingham in right of his second wife Elizabeth daughter and eventual heiress of Sir John, Felton; styled knight 1404, escheator Cumberland and Westmorland

1408, sheriff of Yorks. 1409, commissioner in North Riding and Northumberland 1404-35, M.P. Northumberland 1407, died 9 Dec. 1448.

1415. ROBERT LISLE, knt., as 1406.

1416. JOHN BERTRAM, knt., as 1411.

1417. ROBERT OGLE, knt.



Silver a fess between three crescents gules. Son of Sir Robert of Ogle, born c. 1380, married Maud daughter of Sir Thomas Grey of Horton, knighted before 1408, had livery of his lands 1409, constable of Norham castle 1410, sheriff, justice and steward of Norhamshire 1409, commissioner 1410-

1414, constable of Wark castle 1419, captain of Berwick 1423-27, ambassador to Scotland 1424, M.P. Northumberland 1416, captain of Roxburgh castle 1428, then styled king's knight, died 1436.

1418. EDMUND HASTINGS, knt., as 1414.

1419. WILLIAM ELMEDEN, knt.



Silver on a bend sable three crescents silver. Son of William Elmeden of Trillesden, Durham, born c. 1393, styled knight 1419, constable of Bamburgh castle for life 1425, commissioner 1419-34, late receiver-general Bamburgh 1442, served with Henry V in French

wars and against Scots in time of Henry VI, J.P. Northumberland 1422-36, M.P. 1422, died 1448.

1420-1422. THOMAS SURTEES, knt.



Ermine on a canton gules an orle silver. Son and heir of Sir Alexander Surtees of Dinsdale and North Gosforth and his wife Margaret Skipwith; born 1380; ward of his grandfather Sir William Skipwith 1381, married Joan daughter of Sir Ralph Evers of Witton, appointed sheriff for a second consecutive year 1422, died 1435.

HENRY VI, 1422-60.

Feb. 1423. JOHN BERTRAM, knt., as 1411.

Nov. 1423. JOHN MIDDLETON, knt.



Quarterly I and IV quarterly gules and gold a cross patonce silver in the quarter—Middleton, II and III sable crusilly fitchy and three covered cups silver—Stryvelin.

Son and heir of Sir John Middleton of Belsay, born c. 1372, knighted before 1409, succeeded

his father 1396, married Joan daughter and coheiress of Sir Clement Skelton, taken prisoner at his castle of Bewcastle by the Scots 1401, J.P. Northumberland 1416-29, escheator 1424-26, on various commissions 1410-31, M.P. 1414, died before Easter 1441.

1424. WILLIAM HERON, knt.

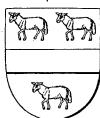


Gules three herons silver.

Son and heir of William Heron of Ford, born 1400 and was aged three months at his father's death; ward of Sir Robert Ogle 1407, knight 1421, did homage for his lands 1421, J.P. 1422, died in 1425 during his term of office.

Jan. 1426. JOHN WIDDRINGTON, knt., as 1410.

Dec. 1426. WILLIAM LAMBTON, esq.



Silver a fess between three lambs passant silver.

Son and heir of William Lambton of Lambton and his wife Alice Salcock, born c. 1391, succeeded to his father's lands c. 1432, M.P. 1431, commissioner 1427-30, died 1432/33.

1427. HENRY FENWICK, esq.



Silver a chief gules and six martlets counter-coloured.

Son and heir of Sir Alan Fenwick of Fenwick tower, born 1401, married Joan Leigh, a knight before 1427, sheriff of Cumberland 1436 and J.P. there 1442, commissioner 1427-1440, died 1459.

1428. WILLIAM CARNABY, esq.



Silver two bars and in chief three roundels azure.

Son and heir of Sir William Carnaby of Halton and his second wife Isabel Fenwick, born 23 March 1391, ward of his stepfather Robert Tempest 1408, made proof of age

1412, married firstly Agnes Widdrington, secondly Elizabeth Hilton; steward of Hexhamshire 1423, owned manor of Settlingstones 1440, died 1453.

Feb. 1430. JOHN WIDDRINGTON, knt., as 1410.

Nov. 1430. JOHN BERTRAM, knt., as 1411.

1431. ROGER WIDDRINGTON, esq.



Quarterly silver and gules a baston sable.

Son and heir of Sir John Widdrington (sheriff 1410) and his wife Catherine Acton, born c. 1403, married Elizabeth daughter of Sir Thomas Grey, succeeded to his father's estates 1443, died 1451 seised of the manors of

Woodhorn, Widdrington, West Swinburn and other lands in Northumberland.

1432. JOHN MIDDLETON, knt., as 1423.

1433. MATTHEW WHITFIELD.



Silver a bend between two cotises engrailed sable.

Son of Matthew Whitfield lord of Whitfield in 1371; he was owner of the tower of Whitfield in 1415 and appears among a list of the gentlemen of Northumberland in 1433; in

1438 he was one of the commissioners to ensure the fulfilment of a treaty with Scotland. He does not appear to have been knighted.

1434. JOHN BERTRAM, knt., as 1411.

1435. ROGER WIDDRINGTON, knt., as 1431.

1436. WILLIAM EVERS, knt.



Arms as 1389. The name appears in *The List of Sheriffs* as Ewere or Iver, being from Iver in Buckinghamshire. Son and heir of Sir Ralph Evers (sheriff 1389), was aged twenty-six in 1422, married Maud daughter of Henry lord Fitzhugh, fought at Agincourt 1415, owned

Witton castle, Durham, and many manors in Yorks., sheriff of Yorks. 1445, was owner of Kirkley tower in 1415, died c. 1465.

1437. ROBERT OGLE, knt.

Arms as 1417. Son of Sir Robert Ogle (sheriff 1417), born 1406, married Isabel Kirkby, knighted before 1434, constable and sheriff of Norham 1436, sheriff of Durham 1437, captain of Berwick 1434, captain of Roxburgh 1438, warden of East Marches 1438-39, J.P. Northumberland 1438-69, on many commissions 1438-68, summoned to Parliament as a baron by Edward IV 1461, Warden-General of East Marches 1462, lord of

Harbottle and Redesdale 1462, steward of Holy Island 1466, died 1469.

1438. JOHN BERTRAM, knt., as 1411.

1439. ROBERT HARBOTTLE, knt.

Arms as 1407. Son and heir of Robert Harbottle (sheriff 1407), born c. 1400, married Margaret Ogle, succeeded to Horton castle and manor 1419, escheator 1438, died 1443.

1440. JOHN HERON OF FORD, esq.

Arms as 1424. Son and heir of William Heron (sheriff 1424), married Elizabeth Heron of Cornhill, constable of Bamburgh 1438 and later, commissioner numerous times 1445-59, knighted 1456, J.P. Northumberland, ambassador for Yorkists to Scotland, attainted for taking part in death of Richard duke of York at Wakefield 20th Dec. 1460, killed at Towton fighting for Lancastrians 1461.

1441. JOHN HERON OF CRAWLEY, esq.



Gules a chevron between three herons silver. Son and heir of Sir John Heron of Crawley and Eshot, born c. 1412, succeeded his father at Crawley and Eshot and at Sawbridgeworth, Herts., also manors in Durham, made a settlement of his lands 1461, died 1468.

1442. ROGER WIDDRINGTON, esq., as 1431.

1443. JOHN HERON OF CHIPCHASE.

Arms as 1424. He had possession of his lands in 1443 from Gerard Heron of Chipchase, married Elizabeth



daughter of Robert lord Ogle, died before Jan. 1477. His seal as sheriff shows a tripletowered and battlemented castle gateway upon which are three crescents. Probably the seal used by Robert Ogle, sheriff 1437.

#### 1444. ROBERT CLAXTON, esq.



Gules a fess between three hedgehogs silver. Son and heir of Sir William Claxton of Claxton, Horden, etc.; married firstly Elizabeth Hilton, secondly Anne Stapleton; knighted after 1444, succeeded to his father's manors and to castle and manor of Dilston 1430, inherited a moiety of the Vaux estates

receiving Beaufront as his share, died 1484 leaving four daughters.

# 1445. WILLIAM HARDING, esq.



Gules three greyhounds courant gold. Son and heir of Sampson Harding of Newcastle and Beadnell, sheriff of Newcastle 1439 and mayor with intervals 1444-52, M.P. for the town 1447-53, in 1427 he held half a knight's fee in Beadnell.

### 1446. THOMAS WELDON, esq.



Silver a cinquefoil gules on a chief gules a demi-lion rampant silver.

Son and heir of Simon Weldon of Weldon and Thornburgh, married c. 1424 Margaret Garnet, escheator 1450, customer of Newcastle 1450-60, commissioner 1455.

# 1447. BERTRAM HARBOTTLE, esq.

Arms as 1407. Son and heir of Sir Robert Harbottle (sheriff 1439); succeeded to his estates 1443, married Joan daughter of Thomas lord Lumley, died 1462.

# 1448. THOMAS NEVILLE, knt.



Gules a saltire and a label silver.

Probably younger son of Richard Neville, earl of Salisbury, married Maud daughter of Robert lord Willoughby of Eresby, knighted 1449, killed at Wakefield 1461.

1449. ROGER WIDDRINGTON, esq., as 1431.

### 1450. ROGER THORNTON, esq.



Sable a chevron and a chief indented silver. Son and heir of Roger Thornton; merchant of Newcastle, owned Witton by the Waters, alderman and freeman of the town, married Elizabeth daughter of John lord Lumley, many times commissioner in the years 1459-

1467, fought on Yorkist side at Towton 1461, purchased manor and tower of Ludworth, settled his many estates 1470, died 1483.

1451. JOHN HERON OF FORD, esq., as 1440.

### 1452. ROBERT MITFORD, esq.



Silver a fess between three moles sable. Parentage and birth unknown; he had a lease of Delaval in 1454, on commissions of array and others 1454-59, J.P. 1442-64, died c. 1464.

## 1453. JOHN BURCESTRE, knt.



Silver three lions' heads rased sable. Heir to Sir William Whitchester of B

Heir to Sir William Whitchester of Benwell and Seaton Delaval, married Elizabeth Whitchester c. 1424, appears to have been chiefly connected with Surrey, on commissions in that county 1453-60, J.P. 1452-60.

## 1454. ROBERT MANERS, esq.

Arms as 1413. Son and heir of John Maners (sheriff 1413), born 1408, married Janetta Ogle, commissioner 1454-61, J.P. Norhamshire, succeeded to his father's estates 1438, died 1461.

1455. RALPH GREY, knt.



Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver.

Son and heir of Sir Ralph Grey of Heton, succeeded to his father's estates 1448, knighted 1454, lived at Chillingham castle, wife's name Jacquetta, warden of Roxburgh castle 1454-58,

commissioner 1454-62, constable of Alnwick 1462-63, assisted Yorkists to capture it in May 1463, joined the Lancastrians in 1463, taken prisoner at Bamburgh castle by the earl of Warwick and executed at Doncaster 1464.

1456. JOHN HERON OF FORD, knt., as 1440.

1457. ROGER THORNTON, esq., as 1450.

1458. WILLIAM BERTRAM, esq.



Arms as 1411. Son and heir of Sir John Bertram of Bothal (sheriff 1411), married Eleanor Kempston, knighted after battle of Wakefield 1460, commissioner 1451-61, customer of Newcastle 1451, J.P. 1447-61, died 1461.

1459. RALPH GREY, knt., as 1455.

1460. JOHN MIDDLETON, knt.

Arms as 1423. Son and heir of Sir John Middleton (sheriff 1423) of Belsay whom he succeeded c. 1441; married firstly Isabel Thornton, secondly Elizabeth Ogle; commissioner in Norhamshire 1452, outlawed 1457, received pardon 1459, ambassador to Scotland 1459, captured the duke of Somerset at battle of Hexham 1464.

EDWARD IV, 1461-70.

1461-64. GEORGE LUMLEY, knt.



Silver a fess gules between three popinjays vert.

Son and heir of Thomas lord Lumley; was aged forty and more at his father's death in 1485; constable of Scarborough castle 1461, M.P. Northumberland 1467, knighted 7 Nov. 1461 whilst sheriff, sheriff of Durham 1471,

lieutenant of Northumberland 1480, made banneret by duke of Gloucester near Berwick 1482, commissioner in Yorks. and Northumberland 1485 and later, fought under Surrey in Scotland 1497, escorted Margaret Tudor through Northumberland and Durham on her journey north after her marriage in 1503, married Elizabeth daughter and heiress of Roger Thornton II, died 13 Nov. 1507.

1463. ROBERT MANERS, knt., as 1454.

1464. GERARD WIDDRINGTON, knt.



Arms as 1431. Probably son and heir of Roger Widdrington (sheriff 1431), married Elizabeth Boynton, knight before 1461, had a grant to himself and his wife of Haughton castle 1454, settled castle and manor of Swinburne 1490, M.P. 1453, commissioner of array

1461, J.P. 1461-71, died 1491.

1465. WILLIAM BOWES, knt.



Ermine three long-bows gules.

Son and heir of Sir Robert Bowes and his wife Joan Conyers; livery of his lands 1410, chamberlain to John duke of Bedford, knighted at Verneuil 1424, served in France for twenty years, warden of Middle Marches, governor of Berwick, rebuilt Streatlam castle,

married Jane daughter of Ralph lord Greystoke, died 1465 during his shrievalty.

July 1466-71. JOHN NEVILLE, knt., earl of Northumberland.

Gules a saltire silver and a label (compony silver and azure). Quartering silver three fusils in fess gules—Montagu, gold a spread eagle vert—Monthermer, a crescent at the centre point for difference.

Third son of Richard earl of Salisbury, born c. 1431, knighted 1449, attainted 1459, restored 1460, lord chamberlain and privy councillor 1460-61, baron Montagu 1461, made K.G. 1462, steward of Durham 1464, J.P. 1463, warden East Marches 1463, created earl of Northumberland 27 May 1464, sheriff of Northumberland for life 28 July 1466, created Marquis Montagu 1470, warden-general 1470, killed at Barnet 14 April 1471, married Elizabeth Ingoldesthorpe.

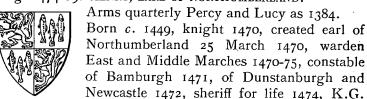
1466. Sir George Lumley, under-sheriff.

HENRY VI, restored 3 October 1470; EDWARD IV, restored 11 April, 1471-83.

4 June 1471-74. JOHN WIDDRINGTON.

Arms as 1431. A younger son of Sir John Widdrington (sheriff 1410), married Elizabeth daughter of Robert lord Ogle, succeeded to Haughton and Swinburn castles and manors.

Aug. 1474-89. HENRY, EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND.



1474, J.P. Northumberland and other counties, constable of Norham 1481, captain of Berwick 1483, cham-

berlain of England 1483-85, lord warden of the Marches 1486, lieutenant of the north 1486, married Maud daughter of William Herbert, earl of Pembroke, murdered 28 April 1489.

The earl's under-sheriffs:

1474. John Widdrington.

1474. John Lilburn the younger.

1480. Sir Thomas Grey.

1481. Roger Thornton.

1483-84. Sir Ralph Harbottle.

1485. Sir Robert Maners.

EDWARD V, 9 April 1483-25 June 1483; RICHARD III, 1483-85; HENRY VII, 1485-1509.

1489. JOHN MIDDLETON, knt.



Arms as 1423. Son and heir of Sir John of Belsay, married Margaret Markenfield, knighted before 1469, king's serjeant 1461, king's knight 1481, M.P. 1472, keeper of Bewcastle 1493, sheriff of Norham 1482-83, died 1503.

1490. THOMAS GREY, knt.

Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver.

Probably Sir Thomas Grey of Chillingham, son and heir of Sir Ralph (sheriff 1455); he was licensed to enter upon his father's lands 1473, married Margery daughter of Ralph

lord Greystock, made a knight banneret by the duke of Gloucester 24 July 1482 under the style of Thomas Grey of Warke, died 1498.

1491. WILLIAM TYLER, knt.



Vert a bend silver between six tyler's nails gold.

Origin unknown; clerk of household 1471, in 1439 styled king's serjeant, knighted 1485, porter of Bamburgh 1487, captain of Berwick 1489, controller of king's works, J.P. 1495-1502, M.P. 1491, died 1505.

1492. ROGER FENWICK, esq.



Silver a chief gules and six martlets countercoloured, with due difference.

Son of John Fenwick of Newburn and Wallington; married Agnes daughter of Bertram Harbottle; esquire of the king, constable of the castle of Newcastle upon Tyne 1493, keeper

of the Middle Marches 1506, died 1513.

1493. JOHN HERON OF CHIPCHASE, esq.



Gules three herons silver.

He was of Chipchase in 1491; married Joan Ridley, probably a son of John Heron of the same place; in 1495 is styled esquire and has a lease of Hallington from the archbishop of York for forty years.

1494. RICHARD CHOMELY, esq.



Gules two helmets silver in chief, in base a sheaf gold, a fleur-de-lis within a crescent for difference.

Of an old Cheshire family, knighted by the earl of Surrey 1497, governor of Berwick and later of Hull, fought at Flodden, keeper of Norham 1501-02, escheator, sheriff and

justice of the shire 1501, died 1521.

#### 1405. RALPH HARBOTTLE, knt.



Azure three "hair-bottles" gold, quartering Charron, Monboucher, Ilderton as 1407. Son of Bertram (sheriff 1447) of Horton castle, succeeded 1462, knighted by the earl of Northumberland near Berwick 22 Aug. 1482, constable of Prudhoe castle, died 1504.

### 1496. THOMAS GREY OF HORTON (GLENDALE), esq.



Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver a boar's head couped azure on the lion's shoulder.

Probably a younger son of Sir Roger Grey and his wife —— Fenwick; nothing further is known of him.

# 1497-98. GEORGE TAILBOYS, knt.



Silver a chevron gules on a chief gules three escallops silver.

Son of Sir Robert whom he succeeded in the lordship of Redesdale, Hurworth and other manors; married firstly the daughter of Sir Thomas Borough and secondly Elizabeth Gasgoigne; knighted after the battle of

Blackheath 17 June 1497, died 1539.

### 1499-1501. EDWARD RADCLIFFE, esq.



Quarterly I silver a bend engrailed sable—Radcliffe, II silver two bars gules on a canton gules a cinquefoil silver—Derwentwater, III gules a fess between three hedgehogs silver—Claxton, IV gules a fess between three cartwheels gold—Cartington.

Younger son of Thomas Radcliffe of Derwentwater, married Anne daughter and heir of Sir John Cartington, knighted 1501 when sheriff, esquire to Henry VIII 1501, warden of the Middle Marches 1509-16, held Thropton tower, sheriff Norham 1513, living 1521.

1502. RALPH EVERS, knt.



Arms as 1389. Son and heir of Sir William Evers and his first wife Margaret Constable, knighted 1497 by the earl of Surrey, married firstly Muriel Hastings and secondly Agnes Constable, sheriff of Yorks. 1506 and 1510, died 1539.

1503-05. THOMAS ILDERTON, knt.



Silver three bougets sable.

Son and heir of Thomas Ilderton, aged eleven in 1480, knighted in 1497 by the earl of Surrey, accused of extortion during his year of office, tenant in Embleton 1522.

April 1506. HUMPHREY LISLE, knt.

Ermine a lion rampant azure.



Son of Robert Lisle of Felton and Woodburn; knighted by George Stanley, lord le Strange, K.G., in Scotland 1497; married Margaret daughter of Sir William Bowes, imprisoned for misdemeanours but pardoned 1509, taken prisoner at Flodden, J.P. Northumberland 1515, died 1516

seized of the above manors and of South Gosforth, Matfen, Kirkharle and others in Northumberland.

Nov. 1506-1509. NICHOLAS RIDLEY, esq.



Gules on a chevron between three falcons silver, three roundels sable.

He was son and heir of Nicholas Ridley of Willimoteswick and an uncle of bishop Ridley; married Mary daughter of Thomas Musgrave of Edenhall, knighted by the duke of Norfolk in Scotland 1523, served under Thomas lord Dacre at Flodden, rewarded in 1530 for his services in Scotland, in 1525 had grant of lands in Tyndale, died 1537.

#### HENRY VIII, 1509-1547.

Nov. 1510. ROGER FENWICK, esq., as 1492.

Pipe roll has Nicholas Fenwick.

1511-12. EDWARD RADCLIFFE, esq., as 1499.

Pipe roll again gives Nicholas Fenwick for the year.

### 1513. CHRISTOPHER CLAPHAM.



Silver on a bend azure six fleurs-de-lis gold. Son of William Clapham of Beansley, Yorks., sheriff and escheator of Norham and Island shires 1512, captain of Norham castle where he was made prisoner, married Elizabeth widow of Sir Ralph Grey c. 1508, died 1540.

# 1514. RALPH FENWICK, esq.

Arms as 1492. Son of Sir Roger (sheriff 1492), married Margery daughter of Sir Walter Corbet of Stanton, knighted in Scotland by the duke of Norfolk 1523.

#### 1515. NICHOLAS ERRINGTON, esq.



Silver two bars and in chief three escallops

Probably son of Gilbert Errington of Errington; he held Cocklaw tower in 1547 and married Anne daughter of Sir Reynold Carnaby of Halton.

## 1516. RICHARD THIRKELD, esq.



Silver a maunch gules.

Probably a son of Sir Lancelot Thirkeld. Nothing has been found about him.

1517. PHILIP DACRE, esq. See under 1522.

### 1518. CHRISTOPHER THIRKELD, esq.

Arms as 1516. He was the third son of Sir Lancelot Thirkeld, married Joan daughter of Eleanor Acton and her husband John Carlyle, was in possession of the manor of Acton 1519, constable of Warkworth 1509.

# 1519. GEORGE SKELTON, esq.



Azure a fess between three fleurs-de-lis gold, with due difference.

On 13 Nov. 1513 Thomas lord Dacre reports to Henry VIII that a successful foray had ravaged part of the Scottish border and George Skelton is named as one of its leaders. Nothing more has been found about him.

### 1520-21. CHRISTOPHER DACRE, knt.



Gules three escallops silver, with difference. Younger son of Humphrey lord Dacre and brother of Thomas lord Dacre, knighted at Flodden 9 Sept. 1513 by the earl of Surrey.

# Feb. 1522. WILLIAM ELLERKER, esq.



Azure fretty silver and a chief gold. Brother of Sir Ralph Ellerker; knighted

before 1524, married Margery daughter of Sir Henry Percy and widow of Sir Henry Widdrington, constable of Dunstanburgh and Wark on Tweed 1524, Widdrington in his possession after his marriage.

## Nov. 1522. PHILIP DACRE, esq.



Arms as 1520. Brother of Thomas lord Dacre and of Sir Christopher (sheriff 1520); knighted by the duke of Norfolk in Scotland 1523.

1523. WILLIAM HERON, knt.

Arms as 1493. Son of Sir Roger Heron of Ford; styled of Ford in 1500, owned Cornhill, Twizell, Tillmouth and other lands in North Durham, justice for Norhamshire 1523, died 1535.

1524-25. WILLIAM ELLERKER, knt., as 1522.

Jan. 1526. CUTHBERT RADCLIFFE, esq. (Pipe roll gives Sir Wm. Heron).

Arms as 1499. Son and heir of Sir Cuthbert Radcliffe of Cartington and Dilston, married Margaret Clifford, M.P. 1529, knighted 1530, constable of Alnwick 1539, deputy warden Middle Marches 1540, prisoner of Scots 1543, captain of Berwick 1544, J.P. 1532-45, died 1545.

Nov. 1526. WILLIAM EVERS, knt.

Arms as 1502. Son of Sir Ralph Evers of Witton, Durham; knighted "under the banner" by the king at Tourney 25 Sept. 1513, captain of Berwick and warden of East March 1538-47, sheriff of Durham 1519-1523, lieutenant of Middle March 1522, married Elizabeth Willoughby, keeper of Harbottle castle 1532, created lord Eure of Witton 1543, died 1547.

1527. JOHN DELAVAL, knt. (Pipe roll gives Cuthbert Rad-cliffe).

Ermine two bars vert.

Son of John Delaval and his wife Agnes Gray, heir to his brother George, succeeded to his brother's lands 1514, married Mary daughter of Thomas Carey, died 1562 seised

of the manors of Seaton Delaval, Black Callerton, Dissington and other lands.

1528. EDWARD GREY, knt.



Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver.

Younger son of Sir Ralph of Chillingham (sheriff 1455), knighted by the duke of Norfolk in Scotland 1523, married firstly Eleanor Bradford, secondly Anne Gower, died 1531.

1529. RALPH DACRE, knt., as 1522.

1530. CUTHBERT RADCLIFFE, knt., as 1526.

1531. WILLIAM HERON, knt., as 1523.

1532. NICHOLAS HORSLEY, esq.



Gules three horses' heads silver, bridled gules.

He was of Outchester manor in Bamburgh, son of Oswald Horsley of the same place, married Margaret daughter of Sir Thomas and sister of Sir Ralph Grey, did homage for

his lands 1503, granted his manor of Outchester in 1547 to his son John.

Easter 1533. HENRY, earl of Northumberland.



Quarterly Percy and Lucy. His seal shows quarterly of five, I quarterly, I Percy, 2 France and England quarterly a border compony silver and azure—Beaufort, 3 Lucy, 4 Spencer; II Percy ancient; III Poynings; IV Fitz Payne; v Bryan.

Sixth Percy earl, succeeded 1527, warden of Marches 1527, captain of Norham and sheriff of the shire 1527-1528, K.G. 1531, warden-general of the Marches 1535, president of the Council of the North 1536, married Lady Mary Talbot, died 1537.

March 1533. JOHN DELAVAL, as 1527.

1534-37. HENRY, earl of Northumberland, as 1533.

Nov. 1537. JOHN HORSLEY, esq.

Arms as 1532. Son of Nicholas (sheriff 1532), succeeded to Outchester 1547, married Jane Horsley, constable of Bamburgh castle 1538, named amongst gentlemen of East March in 1559, knighted by the duke of Somerset at Roxburgh 1547, died c. 1585.

1538. ROBERT COLLINGWOOD, esq.

Gules three stags' heads couped silver, gold attires.

Son and heir of John Collingwood of Eslington, date of birth unknown, married four times, living at Eslington 1538-41, bought the property 1542, granted Titlington 1553, J.P. 1531-40, commissioner 1529-40, bailiff

of Tynmouth 1535, keeper of Wark, 1530, deputy warden of Middle Marches 1537-38, died c. 1538.

1539. CUTHBERT RADCLIFFE, knt., as 1526.

1540. JOHN WIDDRINGTON, knt.

Quarterly silver and gules a bend sable. Crest, a bull's head.

Son of Sir Henry whom he succeeded at Widdrington in 1518, married first Agnes Metcalfe and secondly Agnes daughter of Sir Edward Gower, on council of the Marches 1536 when deputy warden of the Middle March, warden 1537 when served with 100 horsemen, M.P. 1552, died c. 1568 seised of the castle and manor of Widdrington and many other lands in Northumberland.

1541. REYNOLD CARNABY, knt.

Silver two bars and in chief three roundels azure.

Son of William Carnaby of Halton and his wife Mabel daughter of Reynold Warcop. In household of the earl of Northumberland from whom he received grants of leases in

Northumberland and of Poynings in Kent; married Dorothy daughter of Sir Thomas Forster, steward of Hexhamshire 1534, receiver of dissolved priory of Hexham 1537, granted site of that priory 1538, keeper of North Tyndale 1537-39, died 1543.

1542. JOHN DELAVAL, knt., as 1527.

1543. THOMAS HILTON, knt.

Silver two bars azure.



Of Hilton, Durham, married three times, knighted 1523, had livery of his lands 1541, sheriff of Durham 1507, commissioner 1532-1539 and 1550-51, governor of Tynmouth 1540, died c. 1561.

1544. ROBERT COLLINGWOOD, esq., as 1538.

1545. JOHN WIDDRINGTON, knt., as 1540.

1546. JOHN HORSLEY, esq., as 1537.

#### EDWARD VI, 1547-53.

1547. THOMAS GREY, knt. (of Horton).

Arms as 1496. Son and heir of Sir Roger Grey of Horton, married Dorothy Ogle, deputy governor of Bamburgh 1536, living at Adderstone 1535, knighted 1545, treasurer of Berwick 1547, commissioner 1550-53, J.P. 1547-70, died 1570.

1548. JOHN DELAVAL, knt., as 1527.

1549. THOMAS HILTON, knt., as 1543.

1550. JOHN FORSTER, knt.



Quarterly I and IV, silver a chevron vert between three hunting horns sable stringed gules—Forster, II and III silver on a bend cotised sable three martlets gold—Adderstone.

Second son of Sir Thomas Forster of Adderstone by his wife Dorothy Ogle; granted Bamburgh castle by the crown,

warden of the Marches for thirty-five years 1560-95, knighted 1547, keeper of Harbottle castle, married Jane daughter of Sir Cuthbert Radcliffe of Dilston, died 1601.

1551. THOMAS GREY, knt., as 1547.

1552. JOHN WIDDRINGTON, as 1540.

JANE, 6 July 1553-19 July 1553; MARY, 1553-58.

Nov. 1553. ROBERT COLLINGWOOD, esq., as 1544.

1554. JOHN DELAVAL, knt., as 1527.

1555. GEORGE HERON, esq.

Arms as 1523. Son and heir of Sir John Heron of Chipchase, married Marion Swinburne of Edlingham, commissioner 1567, died 1591.

1556. ROBERT ELLERKER, knt.

Arms as 1522. Younger son of Sir Ralph Ellerker of Risby, probably married Anne Grey of Chillingham, keeper of Chillingham during the minority of Ralph Grey (sheriff 1557) son of Sir Edward Grey (sheriff 1528), held it against the rebels of the Pilgrimage of Grace and repaired it, had grant of the tithes of Alnwick abbey in 1536, died c. 1540.

1557. RALPH GREY, esq.

Arms as 1528. Son of Sir Edward Grey (sheriff 1528) and his wife Anne Gower, married daughter and coheir of Sir Thomas Grey of Horton, knighted before 1563, died 1564.

ELIZABETH, 1558-1603.

Nov. 1558. GEORGE RADCLIFFE, knt.

Arms as 1499. Son of Sir Cuthbert (sheriff 1526 and 1539). His mother was Margaret daughter of Henry lord Clifford. He succeeded to Dilston and Cartington in 1545 and to the Derwentwater estates in 1554, married Catherine daughter of Sir Wm. Mallory, knighted at Ladykirk near Norham by earl of Hertford 22 Sept. 1545, warden of East Marches, died 1588.

Dec. 1558. THOMAS GREY, knt. (did not account), as 1547.

Nov. 1559. John WIDDRINGTON, knt., as 1540.

1560. ALBAN FETHERSTON, esq. (Albany Fetherstonhaugh).

Gules a chevron between three ostrich

feathers silver.

Son and heir of Alexander and his wife Anne Crackenthorpe, married Lucy Dudley, granted the estates of Lambley convent, succeeded to Featherstonhaugh castle and his father's estates in 1545.

1561. ROBERT LAWSON, esq.

No.

Silver a chevron between three martlets sable. Probably of Longhirst, but I am unable to identify him certainly.

1562. HENRY PERCY, knt.



Percy and Lucy quartering Old Percy, Poynings, Fitzpayne and Bryan as borne by fifth earl c. 1520.

Brother of Thomas earl of Northumberland, born before 1534, M.P. Morpeth 1554, knight 1557, deputy warden of East and Middle

Marches, captain of Norham 1558-61, captain of Tyn-

mouth 1561, commissioner of array 1569, M.P. North-umberland 1571, succeeded as eighth earl of North-umberland 1572, married Catherine Neville coheiress of John lord Latimer, died in the Tower 1585.

1563. RALPH GREY, knt., as 1557.

1564. THOMAS FORSTER, esq.



Arms as 1550. Eldest son of Sir Thomas Forster of Adderstone and his wife Dorothy Ogle, succeeded his father c. 1526, married Florence daughter of Thomas Wharton, died 1580.

1565. JOHN DELAVAL, esq.



Ermine two bars vert.

Son and heir of Sir John Delaval (sheriff 1527 and later), succeeded him 1562 at Seaton Delaval and other lands and manors in Northumberland, married Anne daughter of Ralph lord Ogle and widow of Sir Humphrey Lisle, knighted after 1565, died 1571.

1566. GEORGE HERON, esq.

Arms as 1555. Son of Sir John Heron of Chipchase and his wife Margaret Musgrove, had grant of Birtley and Barrasford from the earl of Warwick, married Marion daughter of George Swinburne, knighted after 1566, died 1591.

1567. CUTHBERT CARNABY, esq.



Silver two bars and in chief three roundels azure.

Son of William and brother of Sir Reynold (sheriff 1541), he was of Aydon castle, married Margery Horsley, gentleman of the chamber to Henry earl of Northumberland, constable

of Warkworth castle for life 1533, leased Brinkburn Priory from the crown 1537, living in 1586.

1568. CUTHBERT COLLINGWOOD, esq.



Silver a chevron between three stags' heads rased sable.

Son and heir of John Collingwood of Eslington, married Dorothy daughter and coheir of Sir George Bowes of Dalden and held a moiety of Dalden in her right, knighted 1570, died at Eppleton 1596.

1569. ROBERT RAYMES OF SHORTFLAT, esq.



Silver a cross engrailed sable.

Son of Robert and his wife Anne Delaval, commissioner in the Middle March 1552, held half manor of Bolam with lands in Aydon, Hawkwell and Stamfordham in 1568.

1570. NICHOLAS RIDLEY, esq.



Gules a chevron between three falcons silver. Son and heir of Hugh and his wife Isabei Heron, living at Willimoteswick in 1552, commissioner in Middle Marches 1552, will dated 1573.

1571. JOHN DELAVAL, knt., as 1565.

April 1572. GEORGE HERON, knt., as 1566.

Nov. 1572. THOMAS FORSTER, esq., as 1564.

1573. CUTHBERT CARNABY, esq., as 1567.

1574. THOMAS GREY, knt.



Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver.

Son of Sir Ralph (sheriff 1557, 1563), born 1549, married Catherine daughter of Charles earl of Westmorland, succeeded to Chillingham 1564, died 1590.

1575. ROBERT DELAVAL, esq.



Ermine two bars vert.

Son and heir of Sir John Delaval (sheriff 1565), succeeded his father 1572, purchased Horton 1595, entered his pedigree at the heralds' visitation of 1575, married Dorothy daughter of Sir Ralph Grey of Chillingham, knighted

by the king at Newcastle 13 April 1603, died 1606.

1576. ROBERT MIDDLETON, esq.



Quarterly I and IV quarterly gules and gold a cross patonce silver in the quarter—Middleton, II and III sable crusilly fitchy and three covered cups silver—Stryvelin.

Son and heir of Thomas Middleton of Belsay and his wife Margaret Ogle, succeeded to Bel-

say, etc., 1545, married firstly Isabel Heron, secondly Mabel Ogle, commissioner for defence of Borders 1561, entailed Belsay, etc., 1580, died 1590.

1577. FRANCIS RUSSELL, knt.



Silver a lion rampant gules on a chief sable three escallops silver.

Third son of Francis, earl of Bedford, knighted 1570 by the earl of Sussex for his services in Scotland, M.P. Northumberland 1572, married Juliane daughter and coheir of

Sir John Forster of Adderstone, mortally wounded in a fray on the Scottish border 27 July 1585, buried at Alnwick.

1578. WILLIAM FENWICK, esq.



Silver a chief gules and six martlets countercoloured.

Son and heir of Sir Roger Fenwick and his wife Dorothy Widdrington, had livery of his lands of Fenwick, Wallington, etc., 1571, married firstly Grace daughter and coheir of

Sir John Forster, secondly Margaret Selby, knighted by James I o April 1603 at Widdrington, died 1613.

1579. HENRY WIDDRINGTON, esq.



Quarterly silver and gules a baston sable. Son and heir of Sir John Widdrington (sheriff 1540 and 1559) and his wife Agnes Metcalfe; knighted after June 1580; married firstly Barbara Gower and secondly Elizabeth Trevanion who was given by her husband, for her life-

time, the castle and manor of Widdrington and the manor of Woodhorn; she afterwards married Sir Robert Carey, earl of Monmouth. Sir Henry was governor and marshal of Berwick upon Tweed; died 1592 seised of Swinburne, Haughton castle and manor and other lands in Northumberland.

1580. CUTHBERT COLLINGWOOD, knt., as 1568.

1581. JOHN HERON, esq.

Arms as 1555. Son and heir of Sir George Heron of Chipchase (sheriff 1566, 1572), married Margery daughter and coheir of Sir Thomas Grey of Horton, died 1591.

1582. RALPH GREY, esq.



Gules a lion rampant and a border engrailed silver with due difference.

Younger son of Sir Thomas by his wife Isabel, had Horton manor and castle by his maternal grandfather's will, knighted at Berwick by James I 8 April 1603, married firstly Jane

Arthington and secondly Dorothy Mallett, died 1623.

1583. ROBERT DELAVAL, esq., as 1575.

1584. JAMES OGLE, esq.



Silver a fess between three crescents gules. Son and heir of Sir Wm. Ogle of Cockle Park and his wife Margaret Delaval; was at the border affray in which Sir Francis Russell was slain in 1585; married Elizabeth Clavering; inherited Causey Park, where he died in 1598.

1585. NICHOLAS RIDLEY, esq., and Alexander Fetherstone, esq.

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Arms as 1570. Son of Nicholas (sheriff 1570), succeeded to Willimoteswick in 1573, married Margaret daughter of Thomas Forster of Adderstone, died June 1585 during his year of office.

1585. ALEXANDER FETHERSTONHAUGH, esq.

Arms as 1560. Son and heir of Albany (sheriff 1560), married Anne daughter of Richard Lowther, died 1596 seized of Featherstonhaugh castle, Lambley, etc.

Feb. 1586. ROBERT CLAVERING, esq.



Quarterly gold and gules a bend sable. Son and heir of Robert and his wife Anne daughter and coheir of Sir Thomas Grey of Horton, succeeded to Callaly, etc., 1584, married Mary daughter of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood of Eslington, died 1600.

Nov. 1586-87. HENRY ANDERSON, esq.



Gold on a chevron gules between three falcons' heads rased sable, three acorns slipt silver, on a canton silver three martlets sable.

He was probably son and heir of Bertram Anderson and succeeded to his father's estates in 1571; sheriff of Newcastle 1571, mayor 1575

and later, M.P. for Newcastle 1585-92, married firstly Isabel Morland and secondly Fortune daughter of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood, died 1605, buried at Pittington.

Nov. 1588. Anthony radcliffe, esq.

Arms as 1539, with difference due. He was second son of Sir Cuthbert Radcliffe of Dilston and Cartington. His brother Sir George Radcliffe settled the manor of Throckley upon him and he owned Blanchland in right of his first wife Margaret Carnaby; his second wife was Jane Carr. Died 1595.

Mich. 1588. HENRY ANDERSON, esq., as 1586-87 (Pipe roll).

Nov. 1589. WILLIAM FENWICK, esq., as 1578.

1590. ALEXANDER FETHERSTONE OF FEATHERSTONHAUGH, esq., as 1585.

1591. RALPH GREY, esq., as 1582.

1592. ROBERT DELAVAL, esq., as 1575.

1593. RALPH GREY, esq., as 1582.

1594. THOMAS BRADFORD, esq.

Silver on a bend gules three martlets silver. Of Bradford in Bamburgh, son of Thomas Bradford who was mayor of Berwick 1558; he married Jane daughter of Sir John Clavering of Callaly.

1595. ROBERT WIDDRINGTON, esq.



Quarterly silver and gules a bend sable, with due difference.

Eldest son of Sir John Widdrington by his second wife Agnes Gower and half-brother of Sir Henry (sheriff 1579); married firstly Margaret daughter of Robert lord Ogle and

secondly Elizabeth. He purchased the manor of Monkwearmouth in 1597, died 1599.

1596. CUTHBERT COLLINGWOOD, knt., as 1568.

Jan. 1597. GEORGE MUSCAMP.



Azure three butterflies silver.

Of Barmoor in Norhamshire; son of George Muscamp and his wife, a daughter of Henry Collingwood of Etal; married Elizabeth daughter of Sir John Selby of Twizel; was living at the heralds' visitation of 1615.



Nov. 1597. EDWARD GREY, esq.

Arms as 1582, with due difference. Younger son of Sir Thomas Grev. He married Catherine le Strange of Hunstanton, owned Howick and Morpeth castle, knighted at Chillingham by James I 1617, died c. 1630.

1508. LANCELOT CARNABY, esq.

Arms as 1567. Son of Cuthbert Carnaby of Aydon (sheriff 1567). Succeeded to Halton 1600, and to Aydon on his father's death; married Catherine daughter of Sir Cuthbert Collingwood; accused of participation in Gunpowder Plot; died 1624.

Dec. 1509. THOMAS MIDDLETON, esq.

Arms as 1576. Third son of Robert Middleton of Belsay (sheriff 1576), died 1651.

1600. GEORGE MUSCAMP, esq., as 1597.

1601. EDWARD TALBOT, esq.

Gules a lion rampant in a border engrailed gold.

Brother of Gilbert earl of Shrewsbury (1590-1616), M.P. Northumberland 1584 and 1586, custos rotulorum Northumberland 1603, J.P. West Riding, succeeded as eighth earl of Shrewsbury 1616, guardian of peace on the Borders

1618, married Jane coheir of Cuthbert Ogle, died 1618.

1602. NICHOLAS FORSTER, esq.

Arms as 1550. Illegitimate son of Sir John Forster (sheriff 1550), succeeded to Bamburgh castle on his father's death, received James I on his entry into Northumberland in April 1603, married Jane daughter of Cuthbert Radcliffe of Blanchland, died c. 1609.

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#### KEY TO PLATE III.

1. Henry del Strother. Northumberland. 1364. DS 2332. (Gules) on a bend (silver) three spread eagles (vert).
2. Robert of Umfraville. Northumberland. 1371. DS 2509.

The cinquefoil from his shield of arms.

- 3. Henry earl of Northumberland. Northumberland. 1384. AA2 IV, 179. His crescent badge around the castle.
- 4. John Harbottle. Northumberland. 1482. DS 1254. Within door . . . ?; around, a bon droit.
  5. Ralf Giffard. Essex and Herts. 1319. PRO; WS 83.

6. John of Coggeshall. Essex and Herts. 134off. SAL, D 42. (Silver) a cross between four escallops (sable).

7. John Wayte. Hampshire. 1396. SAL, D 42.

(Silver) a chevron engrailed (gules) between three bugle horns (sable).

8. Richard Boyton. Somerset. 1406. PRO, BS 252. (Sable) a fess between three herons (silver).

9. John Coventree. London and Middlesex. 1416. SAL, D 42. (Silver) on a chevron (sable) the arms of Coventry in base a columbine (azure).

10. John Uvedale. Hampshire. 1419. SAL, D 42. (Silver) a mill-rind cross (gules).

11. William Brocas. Hampshire. 1415. SAL, D 42. I and IV (sable) a lion rampant (gold), II and III (sable) two leopards (gold).

12. John Lysle. Hampshire. 1412. SAL, D42. (Gold) on a chief (azure) three lions rampant (gold).

13. William Ryngebourne. Hampshire. 1420. SAL, D 42. On a bend three stars.

14. John Giffard. Hampshire. 1432. Matrix. (Silver) ten roundels (gules).

15. Humphrey Stafford. Somerset. 1423. PRO, RS 105. Used by Wm. Carant 1427, but shield is Stafford's (gold) a chevron (gules) in a border engrailed (sable) a label of three points.

16. Nicholas Thorley. Essex and Herts. 1431. PRO, BS 271.

R.C. and a bear-like animal in front.

17. Thomas Rokes or Reynes. Beds. and Bucks. 1445 or 1461. PRO. Buck's head and a lantern; sigillu': officii: vic' bed' et buck'.

William Browning. Somerset. 1463. PRO, B 5120.
 A cross engrailed. P.B.

19. Gilbert Wace. Oxford and Berks. 1371 and later. SAL, D 42. Ox in ford; (silver) three bars (gules) on a canton (gules) a molet (silver).

20. William Langeford. Oxford and Berks. 1405. SAL, D 42. Ox and foliage at sides; paly (silver and gules) on a chief (azure) a leopard (gold).. sigillu dillm langford vic' oxon et berk.

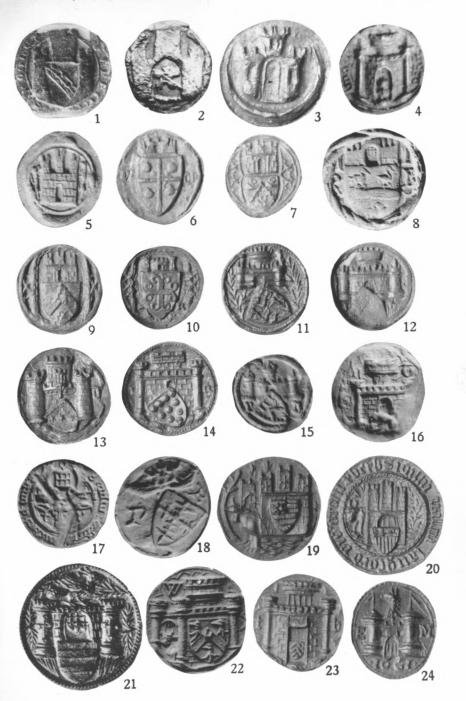
21. William Harcourt. Oxford and Berks. 1491. Matrix.

(Gules) two bars (gold), above a peacock close. 22. William Norrey. Oxford and Berks. 1486. Matrix.

Ox in gateway; (silver) a chevron between three ravens' heads rased (sable).

23. Thomas Bawde. Essex and Herts. 1446. SAL, D 42. t.b. (Gules) three chevrons (silver).

24. Edward Montague. Northants. 1600. SAL, D 42. E.M. Date below 1661.



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