

I.—BARONYS AND KNIGHTS OF
NORTHUMBERLAND.

A.D. 1166—c. A.D. 1266.

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Introduction.

In volumes XXV-XXVII of the fourth series of *Archæologia Aeliana* some account was given of the knights of Northumberland in the later thirteenth and early fourteenth centuries.

Here an attempt is made to give like accounts of the baronys and knights of the county, as near as may be between the years 1166 and 1266, that is before the evil effects of the Scottish wars of Edward I had devastated the lands and decimated the knighthood of Northumberland.

Whilst preparing these notes, the writer had often occasion to refer to the local section of the Inquest of 1166 printed in the *Black Book of the Exchequer*, pp. 329-339,¹ and in volume III of the third part of *Hodgson's* history of the county as well as to the Aids of 1211-12 and 1235-36 and to the Inquest of 1242-43, printed in the *Book of Fees*,² the last printed also by Hodgson as *Testa de Nevill* in Vol. III, pt. i, p. 201.

These records have been used by the historians of the county as needed for the history of manor and township but they have not been printed as a whole to shew the baronys, their members and the enfeoffed knights, for the whole county. This is done here in parts I-III of the sequel, with a map of the county shewing the head and scattered parts of each barony (*post*, p. 16).

¹ *Liber Niger Scaccarii*, ed. Thomas Hearne.

² *Liber Feodorum or the Book of Fees commonly called Testa de Nevill*, three volumes, H.M. Stationery Office, 1920-31.

PART I.—Contains the Northumbrian part of the Inquest of 1166. In that year Henry II ordered all tenants in chief to inform him by letters close what service each owed for his fee, the names of knights enfeoffed before the death of Henry I, those enfeoffed after that date and also the number to be provided by demesne lands. This Inquest forms “the first comprehensive review of the new feudal society which the Norman kings had established in England”. In it the tenants in chief are called *barons* and their fees *baronys*. This title then conveyed no indication of rank nor of territorial or military power; it was equivalent to liegeman—one who held directly from and owed feudal service to his liege lord the king, however small his holding. Their real rank was that of simple knights (*milites simplici*). The baronys of Northumberland were small; the largest, that of William of Vesci, contained only twelve fees, whilst the smallest was that of Dilston held by William son of Aluric, as one-third of a fee. The style of addressing the king used by these *barons* varies but it is always in the superlative, as to their ‘most dear’, ‘most venerable’, ‘most illustrious’, or ‘most reverend’³ lord Henry king of the English or, once, as king of England with his continental titles. Some omit such courtesies, as Walter of Bolbec, who says brusquely, “Here is an account (*agnicio*) of the lands of Walter of Bolbec of Northumberland”; or the forthright Roger fitz Richard—“I Roger son of Richard hold Warkworth in chief of the King”. William son of Siward, who held 1 fee at Gosforth, formally recites the form and contents of the writ—

“To his most reverend lord Henry King of the English. Your command published throughout England came to me, as to others, through your sheriff of Northumberland that we should signify to you our fee and tenure that we hold from you.”⁴

³ *Karissimo, illustrissimo, reverentissimo, venerabilissimo.*

⁴ H. regi Anglorum domini suo reverentissimo. Precepit vrm per totam Angliam divulgatam per vicecomitem vestrum Northumbre ad me sicut ad alios pervenit ut significaremus vobis feodum nostrum et tenuram quam de vobis tenemus.

Detailed accounts of these *barons* or of their knights have not been given here, as the little that is known of most of them has been told by the various county historians, references to whom are given at the foot of each page in that part.

PART II.—Contains the baronys of Northumberland which paid the Aid of 1212 and the returns made for the Inquest of 1242. The intermediate Aid of 1235,⁵ for the marriage of Isabel sister of Henry III to the emperor Frederick II, has not been printed here, it consists of the names of the then tenants in chief and the number of knights' fees he holds. There were 89 from which the sum of £121 4s. 6d. was collected by the sheriff; this amounts, within a small fraction, to a rate of 2 marks (26/8d.) for each fee. They agree closely with those of 1212 and 1242, the extra 23 and 24 being accounted for by the additional number of fees held by Baliol, Bolbec and Fitz Roger, presumably for their lands outside Northumberland.

The knights' fees in the county in 1212 were 66, reduced to 65 in 1242, Mitford having lost one in the interval. Two of these *baronys* were held by serjeanty, namely Beanley⁶ by Earl Patrick, by the service that he is "inborhe et utborhe" between the regions of England and Scotland, and the valley of Rede, though in 1242 the latter is called a regality (*per regalem potestatem*).⁷

The knights enfeoffed by the bishops of Durham in Norham and Island shires are not included in the above figures. At the Inquest of 1166 bishop Hugh (Puiset) reported that 10 kts.' fees were held of him in Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and "in the lordship of St. Cuthbert".⁸ These are, apparently, the fees outside the county palatine which the bishops were bound to account for to the king.⁹ An early fourteenth-century MS. which purports to give a list of the knights of *le Franchise de Duresme dez Tyne et Teys* who fought at Lewes in 1264 contains the names of 71 knights.¹⁰

⁵ BF, I, 552-54. ⁶ BF, I, 200. ⁷ BF, II, 1121. ⁸ BB.

⁹ *County Palatine of Durham*, Lapsley, pp. 100 and 286.

¹⁰ AA, XXIV, 183.

When, at the end of the thirteenth century, war with Scotland was provoked bishop Antony (Bek) was prepared to send the full 60 knights who had been enfeoffed within the palatinate. In the campaign of 1298 the bishop led a large force of bannerets and knights into Scotland.¹¹ A return of the temporalities of the see of Durham during the vacancy after the death of bishop Philip of Poitiers¹² gives 2½ knights' fees in the shires of Norham and Island. There were also at least three of the free tenants paying a money rent who are elsewhere styled knights. These, added to the total of 66 in 1212, brings the number of knights' fees in the county to 71½. It has been estimated, from the Pipe Roll of 1279¹³ that there were then 93 fees in Northumberland, but even that number is very small compared with 384 for Lincoln or 649 for Norfolk and Suffolk at the same date. Scutage, a money payment made by tenants holding their fees by knight service, instead of personal service, was introduced early in the twelfth century and soon became customary, so that by the end of that century by no means all military tenants were actually dubbed knights. Their place was partly taken by knights bachelor or landless knights, often the younger sons of noble families or of landed knights, who served for wages in the increasingly mercenary royal armies. In 1259 the "bachelery of England" complained to Prince Edward that the barons had done nothing for the public welfare.¹⁴ Another feudal duty due from tenants in chief was that of Castle Guard owed by most of the baronys of Northumberland to the king's castle of Newcastle upon Tyne, this also had been commuted for a cash payment before the fourteenth century. The third feudal service of escort remained. Examples of this in Northumberland occur when in 1209, Eustace of Vesci and Robert of Ros, with other knights, were ordered to escort William the Lion from Berwick to confer with John at York (*post*, p. 24) and again in

¹¹ AA, XXV, 78.

¹² BF, I, 26-28.

¹³ *The Welsh wars of Edward I*, by J. A. Morris, pp. 36, 45.

¹⁴ C.P. V, 699.

1210 when Robert son of Roger had the pleasanter duty of escorting two of William's daughters to York (*post*, p. 23) and in 1229 when Roger Merlay and others were ordered to conduct Alexander II from Scotland to meet his brother-in-law Henry III at York (*post*, p. 21).

After the capture of William the Lion at Alnwick in 1274, Northumberland enjoyed more than a century of peace with Scotland. The wars of Henry III in Gascony and Wales appear to have little affected the knighthood of the county. This quietness was roughly disturbed when, in the winter of 1215, John came north with his army of mercenaries—"that detestable troop of foreigners"—laid waste the lands of the rebellious barons of Northumberland and burnt the castles of Alnwick, Morpeth, Mitford and Wark whose owners had been amongst the leaders of the revolt against his rule, who had recognized Alexander II of Scotland as Earl of Northumberland and had sworn allegiance to Louis Dauphin of France. John died in October of the next year and peace again came to Northumberland. The impression left by the lives of the knights of Northumberland during these years is that fighting was not their chief duty nor recreation, they were not always, nor often, wearing armour, "shining" or otherwise, nor did they wander around as knights errant seeking adventures, nor did they often find distressed damsels needing to be rescued. Their time was more quietly occupied in the routine work of county business or by the administration of their own estates. They attended county, hundred and manor courts, acted as justices, and justices of assize, as commissioners to report upon or settle disputes as to the ownership of land or its boundaries or themselves granting lands to the church to ensure their souls' future blessedness. Even the secular dispute as to the uncertain Border line with Scotland was conducted in a civilized way;¹⁵ as also were the equally troublesome disputes about the administration of the ancient Laws of the Border.¹⁶

¹⁵ CDS I, 832 and 1699.

¹⁶ *Ibid.* 1749.

These were either settled, or left unsettled, by knightly commissions from both kingdoms, which if they could not agree at least agreed to differ peacefully. Occasionally their lives were enlivened by personal disputes only to be settled by duels as when in 1203, John forbade a duel between Eustace of Vesci and one Ralf Tilly, until they could go to Normandy where the duel could be fought "according to the custom of England", or again when Odinel of Umfraville acted as judge at Welton in a duel between Bertram of Widdrington and one called William Tascha.

Commissions of knights were also appointed to verify pleas of sickness as an excuse for non-attendance at a court; thus in 1249 Robert of Cresswell and three other knights were ordered to visit Walran of Horton and report upon the truth of his plea of sickness. Early in the thirteenth century Henry of the Maner, Samson of Coupland, Martin of Lanton and another knight were sent to Carham "to see if the infirmity whereof Earl David assoins himself is sickness or not, they came back to York and reported that they neither found the Earl at Carham nor anyone who knew about him".¹⁷

The end of this comparatively peaceful era came when in 1296 Edward I began the war of aggression against Scotland; the civilizing arts of peace could not again be pursued in Northumberland for near three hundred years.

PART IV contains short accounts of the 29 knights of Northumberland who acted as commissioners in Border disputes of 1245-48. PART V is a list arranged in alphabetical order of thirteenth-century knights gathered from various local records, some few of whose lives continued into the earlier years of the fourteenth century.

Note.—The shields of arms and seals given for some of the early baronys and knights are the earliest on record, though some are of later date than those which they illustrate.

¹⁷ CDS I, 657.

ABBREVIATIONS

- AA=*Archæologia Aeliana*. Four Series.
 BB=*Liber Niger Scaccarii*, ed. Thos. Hearne, 2 vols. and JH III, iii, p. 302.
 BNC=Berwickshire Naturalists' Club, *History*.
 BF=*The Book of Fees* commonly called *Testa de Nevill*, 3 vols. 1920, and JH III, i, 201.
 CP=*The Complete Peerage*, New Ed.
 CDS=*Calendar of Documents relating to Scotland*, ed. Jos. Bain, 4 vols.
 CR=Calendars of Close Rolls.
 DS=Catalogue of Durham Seals. *Arch. Ael.*, 3rd ser., vols. VII-XVI.
 HS=Harleian Society's Publications—vols. 80-84.
 JH=*History of Northumberland*, by John Hodgson, 7 vols.
 NCH=*A History of Northumberland*, 15 vols.
 NRC=Publications of Newcastle Records Committee—vol. VII.
 PW=*Parliamentary Writs*, ed. Palgrave.
 PR=Calendars of Patent Rolls.
 RND=*A History of North Durham*, by Jas. Raine.
 SND=Catalogue of Seals of Northumberland and Durham. *Arch. Ael.*, 3rd ser., vols. XX and XXI.
 TA=*A History of Alnwick*, by George Tate, vol. I, pp. 388-421.

ARMORIAL REFERENCES

- B=Glover's roll of c. 1255, ed. Geo. J. Armytage.
 Br=Broughbridge roll—*Genealogist*. N.S. I and II.
 F=Falkirk roll—*Scotland in 1298*, by Henry Gough.
 G=Glover's Ordinary.
 J=Jenyn's Ordinary—*Walford's Antiq. Magazine*.
 N=Nativity roll—*Jewitt's Reliquary*, XV.
 Pa=Parliamentary roll—*Genealogist*, NS, XI and XII.
 Po=Powell's roll—*Jewitt's Reliquary*, NS, III and IV.
 Pap=An *Ordinary of British Armorial*, by Papworth and Morant, 2 vols. 1874.

1.—BARONYS OF NORTHUMBERLAND, A.D. 1166.

WALTER SON OF WILLIAM. (*Whalton.*)

He calls himself a "baron" of Northumberland¹ and certifies that he owes the service of 3 kts. He has enfeoffed William of Newham,² Bertram of Widdrington³ and Gilbert of Ogle,⁴ o.f. and Otwell del Isle⁵ n.f.

GILBERT OF BOOLUM. (*Bolam.*)⁶

Certifies that he holds his fee by the service of three kts. His demesne does service for one, William s. of Bernier and Robert of Belesso (Belsay) account for one fee each.

WALTER OF BOLEBEC. (*Styford or Bolbec.*)

Certifies that he owes services for $4\frac{1}{2}$ kts. o.f. Gilbert of Bolam holds $2\frac{1}{2}$; Hugh of Crauden 1; William s. of Bois 1; of the n.f. Otwell del Isle holds $1\frac{1}{2}$; Reynold s. of Wimund $\frac{1}{2}$; John Morel $\frac{1}{3}$; Gospatrick $\frac{1}{3}$; and Wibert of Slaley 1. Walter owes for 5 kts.⁷

ROGER BERTRAM. (*Mitford.*)

Certifies that his father and grandfather had enfeoffed kts. to the number of $6\frac{1}{2}$ fees, but that he held in chief only 5 fees. Ralf of St. Peter holds 2 fees; William of Fraglinton 1; William of Difelston 1; Wihelard of Trophill 1; John s. of Simon 1 and Pagan of Hallesdure $\frac{1}{2}$.⁸

ERNWULF OF MOREWIC. (*Morwick or Chevington.*)

Holds in chief 1 kt.'s fee and a certain David holds half of it from him, o.f.⁹

HUGH OF ELLINGTON.¹⁰ (*Ellingham or Gaugy.*)

Certifies that he holds half of the barony of William of Grenville divided between William's sisters¹¹ (one of whom was wife of Hugh). He owes service for $1\frac{1}{2}$ kts.' fees.

¹ *Baro de Northumberland.*

² In S.W. of Whalton par. See JH II, i, 394.

³ JH II, ii, 230.

⁴ JH II, i, 381.

⁵ NCH XIII, 341.

⁶ JH II, i, 332-3.

⁷ NCH VI, 22.

⁸ JH II, ii, 32.

⁹ NCH IV, 345.

¹⁰ For Ellington see JH II, ii, 195.

¹¹ NCH II, 226.

STEPHEN OF BULEMER. (*Muscamp or Wooler.*)¹²

Certifies that he had enfeoffed of the o.f., Liulf s. of Alwold 1 fee; Helias s. of Alured 1; Robert of Maners and Hugh of Dichend 1; John s. of Odard 1; Robert Murdac 1; namely 5 fees o.f. N.f. Thomas s. of Roger 1; Thomas (Stephen's son) 1 of whom Ralf s. of William holds $\frac{1}{2}$, Robert Poher $\frac{1}{4}$ of a fee. These are the names of the knights of both the old and new feoffments.

WILLIAM SON OF SIWARD. (*North Gosforth.*)¹³

Certifies that he holds the town (*vile*) of Gosforth and half of Middleton by the service of 1 kt. which he holds in his demesne.

RALF OF WIRECESTRE. (*Heron or Hadstone.*)¹⁴

Certifies that he holds in chief 1 fee o.f. and does service for one. Jordan Hairun holds $\frac{1}{4}$ fee n.f. and Pagan of Wirecestre also holds $\frac{1}{4}$ n.f. The monks of Tynemouth $\frac{1}{7}$ th part of 1 fee and William s. of Ada $\frac{1}{3}$ part. The surplus remains in Ralf's demesne.¹⁵

JOHN SON OF ODARD. (*Embleton.*)

Certifies that he holds 3 kts.' fees and he has enfeoffed $1\frac{1}{2}$ fees n.f. namely William s. of Ada $\frac{1}{2}$ fee; Albert (Craster) $\frac{1}{2}$ fee; Ernulf and Aelard $\frac{1}{2}$ fee. He holds $1\frac{1}{2}$ fees in his demesne.¹⁶

WILLIAM SON OF ALURIC OF DOVELESTONE. (*Dilston.*)

Certifies that he holds his fee as $\frac{1}{3}$ part of one kt.'s fee o.f.¹⁷

GILBERT OF LANVALE. (*Delaval or Callerton.*)

Certifies that he holds 2 kts.' fees o.f. and that a certain knight holds $\frac{1}{4}$ part of one fee of him.¹⁸

ROGER SON OF RICHARD. (*Warkworth.*)¹⁹

Holds Warkworth in chief by service of 1 kt.

RICHARD BERTRAM. (*Bothal.*)

Certifies holds 3 kts.' fees o.f. himself and no kts. hold of him.²⁰

¹² NCH XI, *passim*.

¹³ NCH XIII, 345.

¹⁴ NCH V, 406.

¹⁵ NCH II, 10.

¹⁶ NCH II, 10.

¹⁷ NCH X, 244.

¹⁸ NCH IX, 138-39.

¹⁹ NCH V, 25.

²⁰ JH II, ii, 125.

GODFREY BAIARD. (*Ellingham or Gaugy.*)

Certifies that he holds a third part of one kt.'s fee o.f. This third part is divided between two sisters and Roland Baard has another part with one of the sisters and between the two there is only $\frac{1}{3}$ of a kt.'s fee.²¹

RALF OF GAUGY. (*Ellingham or Gaugy.*)

Certifies that in the time of Henry I his ancestors had held 3 kts.' fees o.f., of these a certain Galon held $\frac{1}{4}$ fee. The fee had been divided between two sisters and he was the son of the elder sister, he held therefore, $1\frac{1}{2}$ fees in demesne for which he did service except for an $\frac{1}{8}$ part given to Galon. He holds nothing of the o.f., but the younger sister the wife of Hugh of Ellington has enfeoffed Ralf Baard with $\frac{1}{6}$ th part of 1 fee and Gilbert of Hetton with $\frac{1}{12}$ th part.²²

ROBERT CARO. (*Carum.*)

He holds 5 caracutes of land as 1 kt.'s fee and of this William his brother holds $\frac{1}{3}$ part.

ROGER MERLAI (Merlay). (*Morpeth or Merlay.*)

These hold of Roger o.f., William of Clifton 1 fee; Reiner 2 fees n.f.; Roger of Merlay $\frac{1}{4}$ of one fee; Robert s. of Peter $\frac{1}{2}$ of one fee; surplus of 4 kts.' fees is in his demesne.²³

WILLIAM OF VESCI. (*Alnwick.*)²⁴

Certifies that he holds 20 kts.' fees in chief o.f. (these include his Yorkshire fees) the following are probably in Northumberland amounting to $10\frac{1}{2}$ fees that is $1\frac{1}{2}$ fees less than in 1212 and 1242. Ernald of Morwick 1; Adam Ribalt 1; Richard of Roc 1; John s. of Odard 1; Walter Bataille and Ralf s. of Man 1; Simon s. of Ernald of Lucker 1; Odinel of Umfraville 2; Richard Maltalent $\frac{1}{2}$; William of Turberville 1; Geoffrey de Val $\frac{1}{2}$; Ralf s. of Roger $\frac{1}{2}$.

²¹ NCH II, 229, 231.

²² NCH II, 230.

²³ JH II, ii, 374.

²⁴ Vesce pedigree, Tate's *Alnwick* I, 402.

2.—NORTHUMBERLAND BARONYS IN A.D. 1212.
AND 1242.

LANGLEY.¹



Argent on a fess sable three garbs or.

Held 1212 in chief by Adam of Tyndale by 1 kt.'s fee, o.f. In 1242 called the barony of Nicholas of Boltby² of TYNDALE, held by the same service. It comprised the eight townships of Warden, Fourstones and Allerwash—*Warden*; Haydon and Langley—*Haydon chapel*; Featherstone, Wydon and Blenkinsopp—*Haltwhistle*. Its head was Langley castle.

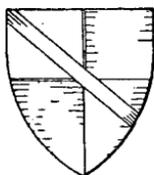
JORDAN HERON.³



Gules three herons argent.

Held by him 1212, in chief by 1 kt.'s fee, o.f. In 1242 called the barony of WILLIAM HERON held by the same service. Hadstone was its head. Its members were Hadstone—*Warkworth*; Little Benton⁴—*Long Benton*; Chirton and Flatford⁵—*Tynmouth*; Colwell and West Swinburn—*Chollerton*.⁶

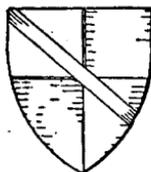
NEWBURN.⁷



Quarterly or and gules a baston sable.

In 1212 it is called the *manor* of Newburn held in chief by Robert son of Roger⁸ by 1 kt.'s fee. In 1242 called a barony held by the heirs of John son of Robert by the same service. Its members were Newburn, Walbottle, Dewley and Butterley—*Newburn*. Its head was Warkworth.

WHALTON.⁹



Quarterly or and gules a baston sable.

In 1212 held in chief by Robert son of Roger by 3 kts.' fees, o.f. In 1242 held by the same service by the heirs of John son of Robert. Its members were Riplington, Newham and Ogle—*Whalton*; Kenton, Gosforth and Faudon—*Gosforth*;¹⁰ Denton and Newbiggin—*Newburn*; Burradon—

¹ JH II, iii.

² *post*, p. 33.

³ NCH V, 406.

⁴ NCH XIII, 414.

⁵ NCH VIII, 315, 334.

⁶ NCH IV, 245.

⁷ NCH XIII, 135.

⁸ NCH V, 25.

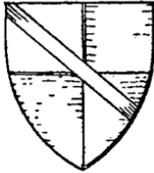
⁹ JH II, i, 370.

¹⁰ NCH XIII, 341.

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Earsdon; Horton and Stickley—*Ponteland*; Widdrington and Druridge—*Widdrington*; Hartford—*Horton chapel*. Its head was Warkworth castle in the thirteenth century.

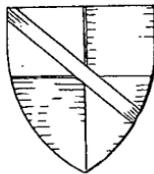
WARKWORTH.¹¹



Quarterly or and gules a baston sable.

In 1212 it was called the *manor* of Warkworth held in chief by Robert son of Roger by 1 kt.'s fee. In 1242 called a barony held by the heirs of John son of Robert by 1 kt.'s fee, n.f. Its members were Acklington, Birling with High Buston and $\frac{1}{4}$ of Togston—*Warkworth*.

ROTHBURY.¹²



Quarterly or and gules a baston sable.

In 1212 the *manor* of Rothbury was held in chief by Robert son of Roger by 1 kt.'s fee. In 1242 it was held as a barony by the heirs of John son of Robert as one fee, n.f. Its members were Thropton, Snitter and Newtown—*Rothbury*. Its head was Warkworth but there was an early

castle at Rothbury.

BOLBEC.¹³



Vert a lion rampant argent (or ermine).

In 1212 called Styford held in chief by Hugh of Bolbec by 5 kts.' fees, o.f. In 1242 held by the same Hugh by the same service. Its members were Styford, Bearle and Broomhaugh—*Bywell St. Andrew*; Slaley and Shotley (*Chapelries*), Haughton, E. Heddon, Whitchester and Heddon on the Wall—*Heddon*; Thornton, So. Middleton, Shafto, Rothley, Cambo and Hartington—*Hartburn*; Fenwick, Hawkwell and E. Matfen—*Stamfordham*;¹⁴ Hawick and Kirkharle—*Kirkharle*; Harnham—*Bolam*;¹⁵ and Newton and half of Bywell—*Bywell St. Peter*.¹⁶ Its head was Styford.

BOLAM.¹⁷

No shield of arms is known. In 1212 John and James of Caux with the daughters of Walter son of Gilbert held this barony by the gift of king John by the service of 3 kts. In 1242 Aline widow of John Caux, James Caux and Alice his wife held

¹¹ NCH V, 18.

¹² NCH XV, 341.

¹³ NCH VI, 221.

¹⁴ NCH XII, 279.

¹⁵ JH II, i, 333.

¹⁶ NCH VI, 87.

¹⁷ JH II, i, 333.

it by the same service. Its members were Thornburgh and Little Whittington—*Corbridge*; Trewick with Tunstall, Belsay and Bradford—*Bolam*; Brunton—*Gosforth*; Lytedon, Cupun and Hayden not identified.

GAUGY.¹⁸

No arms are known. In 1212 it was called the barony of JHESEM (Jesmond) held in chief by Ralf of Gaugy for 3 kts.' fees, o.f., in 1242 it was held by him by the same service and called the barony of Gaugy. Its members were Ellingham and Doxford—*Ellingham*; Osberwick now Newstead—*Bamburgh*; Heaton—*All Saints, Newcastle*; Jesmond—*St. Andrews, Newcastle*; Whitlawe—*Cramlington*. Its head was probably Ellingham.

BRADFORD.¹⁹



Argent on a bend gules three martlets argent.
 In 1212 it is called the town of Bradford (*ville*) held in chief by Alexander of Bradford by 1 kt.'s fee. In 1242 it is called a barony and held by Alexander II by the same service. It had no members and is in the parish of Bamburgh.

MORWICK.²⁰



Gules a saltire vair argent and sable.
 In 1212 it is called a town (*ville*) held in chief by Hugh of Morwick (II) by 1 kt.'s fee. In 1242 it is called the barony of *Hugh of Morwick* (III) of West Chevington, held by the same service. It is in Warkworth parish. Its head was Morwick.

UMFRAVILLE.²¹



Gules crusilly and a cinquefoil or.
 Called Prudhoe in 1212, held in chief by Richard of Umfraville by 2½ kts.' fees, o.f., he also held Little Ryal at 20/- a year and the valley of Redesdale by the service of keeping it free from robbers, o.f. In 1242 it is called the barony of *Umfraville* held by Gilbert of Umfraville by the

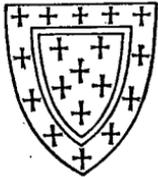
¹⁸ NCH II, 224.

¹⁹ NCH I, 295.

²⁰ NCH V, 386.

²¹ NCH XII, 79.

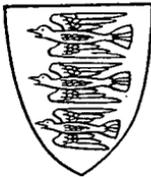
same service it comprised Prudhoe with its members, Prudhoe, Hedley, Horsley, Whitehill, Rudchester, Harlow Hill and Weldon—*Ovingham*; Ingoe—*Stamfordham*; Little Heton, Great and Little Bavington, Harle and Whelpington—*Kirkwhelpington*; Chollerton, Barrasford and Chipchase—*Chollerton*; Birtley—*Chapelry*. Prudhoe castle was its head. In 1242 Gilbert of Umfraville held Redesdale as a regality (*per regalem potestatem*).

MITFORD.²²

Gules crusilly and an orle or.

In 1212 held in chief by Roger Bertram (II) by the service of 5 kts., o.f. In 1242 it was held by the same Roger by 4 kts. Its members were Newton Underwood, Molesdon, Throphill, Benridge, Pigdon, Espley and Edington—*Mitford*; Meldon—*parish*; Eland, Mason, Callerton,

Cricklawe, Dinnington, Brenkley, Prestwick, Callerton D'Arrayns, Berwick Hill, Coldcotes, Milbourne, Horton Grange—*Ponteland*; Eshot, Bockenfield, Thirston, Little Felton, Acton, Overgrass, Swarland and Glantlees—*Felton*;²³ Framlington (*chapelry*) and "La Chance" not identified. Mitford was its head.

MERLAY.²⁴

(Azure) three flying 'merles' paleways (or)—Seal, DS, 1759.

Barry argent and gules on a border azure eight merles or.

Held in 1212 by Roger Merlay (II) by the service of 4 kts., o.f., called Morpeth. In 1242 it is called the barony of MERLAY held by Roger (III) by the same service. Its members were Morpeth, "Grinewest", Hepscot, Shilvington and Twizell—*Morpeth*; Ulgham *chapelry*; Saltwick, E. and W. Duddo, Clifton, Stannington, Shotton, Coldwell and Blagdon—*Stannington*; N. and S. Weetslade, Killingworth, Benton, and Walker—*Long Benton*. Morpeth was its head.

²² JH II, ii, 34.

²³ NCH VII, 229.

²⁴ JH II, ii, 371.

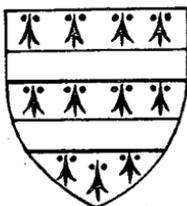
BOTHAL.²⁵



Or an orte azure.

In 1212 held by Robert Bertram by 3 kts.' fees, o.f. In 1242 held by Robert Bertram (II) by the same service. Its members were Weetwood, New Moor, Pegswood, Ashington, Longhirst and Old Moor—*Bothal*; Tritlington, Fenrother and Hebron—*Hebron chapelry*. Bothal castle was its head.

DELAVAL.²⁶



Ermine two bars vert.

In 1212 called Calverdon (Callerton) held in chief by Gilbert de la Val by 2 kts. o.f. In 1242 called the barony of *De la Val*, held by Eustace De la Val by the same service. Its members were Callerton, Dissington—*Newburn*; Seaton and Newsham—*Earsdon*.

LE VISCOUNT.²⁷

No armorials are known. Held in 1212 by John le Viscount in chief by 3 kts.' fees by gift of Henry I. In 1242 called the barony of JOHN LE VISCOUNT (II) held by the same service, o.f. Its members were Embleton, Stamford, Brunton, Warenton, Craster and Dunstan—*Embleton*.

VESCY.²⁸



Gules a cross patonce argent.

Called Alnwick, held in 1212 by Eustace of Vescy by the service of 12 kts. In 1242 called the barony of VESCY and held by William of Vescy, the number of kts. fees is not then given. Its members were Alnwick, Hawkhill, Bilton—*Lesbury*; Newton on Moor and Hazon—*Shilbottle*; Amble, Morwick, Hauxley, E. Chevington, Guizance—*Warkworth*; Great and Little Houghton—*Long Houghton*; Rennington, Rock, Falldon, Newton on Sea and Brunton—*Embleton*; Howick *par.*; N. and S. Charlton, Preston—*Ellingham*; Denwick, Rugley—*Alnwick*; Newham, Lucker, Swinhoe, Tughall, Spindlestone, Hoppen, Adderstone—*Bamburgh*; Doddington, Ewart, Nesbit, Earl, Humbledon—*Doddington*; Chatton, Fowberry, Weetwood, Hetton, Cold Martin,

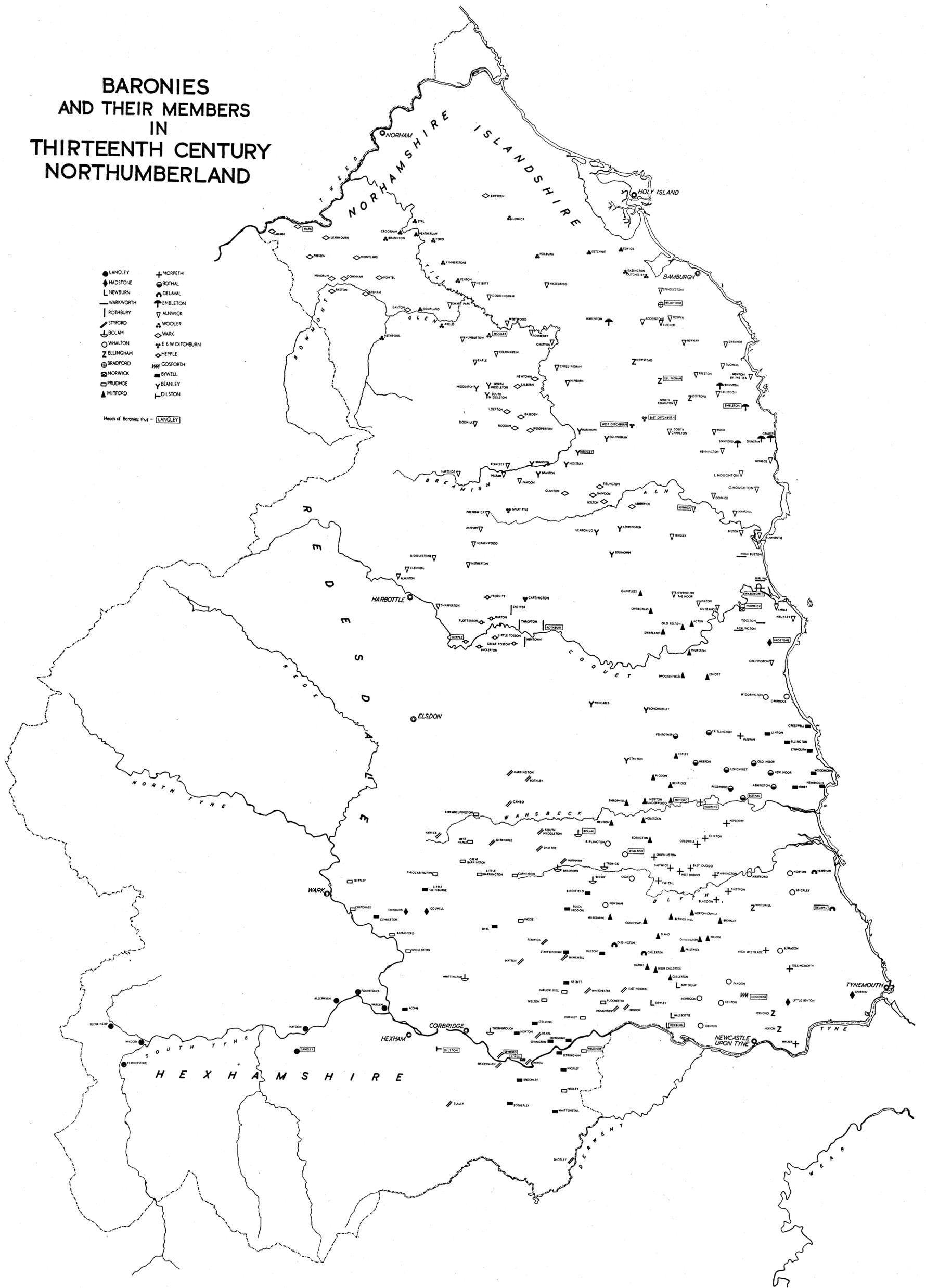
²⁵ JH II, ii, 122.

²⁶ NCH XII.

²⁷ NCH II.

²⁸ Tate, *Hist. of Alnwick*; JH and NCH, various volumes.

BARONIES AND THEIR MEMBERS IN THIRTEENTH CENTURY NORTHUMBERLAND

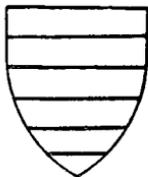


- LANGLEY
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- ⊥ WARKWORTH
- ⊥ ROTHBURY
- ⊥ STYFORD
- ⊥ BOLAM
- WHALTON
- ⊥ ELLINGHAM
- ⊥ BRADFORD
- ⊥ MORWICK
- ⊥ PRUDHOE
- ▲ MITFORD
- ⊥ MORPETH
- BOTHAL
- DELAVAL
- ⊥ EMBLETON
- ⊥ ALNWICK
- ⊥ WOOLER
- WARK
- ⊥ E & W DITCHBURN
- ⊥ HEPPLE
- ⊥ COSFORTH
- ⊥ BYWELL
- ⊥ BEANLEY
- ⊥ DILSTON

Heads of Baronies thus - LANGLEY

Hazlerigg—*Chatton*; Ingram, Fawdon, Reveley, Hartside—*Ingram*; Alnham, Prendwick, Screnwood—*Alnham*; Alwinton, Biddlestone, Clennell, Netherton, Sharperton, Burton—*Alwinton*; Chillingham, Hebburn—*Chillingham*; Bodhill, Scravenwood and Leum not identified. Alnwick castle was its head.

MUSCAMP.²⁹



Or three bars gules.

Called Wooler, and held 1212 by Robert of Muscamp by 4 kts.' fees, o.f. In 1242 called the barony of Muscamp, held by the same Robert by the same service. Its members were Hethpool, Yeveering, Akeld, Coupland—*Kirknewton*; Kimmerstone, Ford, Etal, Crookham, Hetherlaw—*Ford*; Lowick, Howburn, Bowsden—*Lowick*; Fenton—*Wooler*; Branxton *par.*; Middleton—*Ilderton*; Easington, Elwick, Dichend—*Belford*; Outchester—*Bamburgh*; Trikilton and Byermoor not identified. Wooler castle was its head.

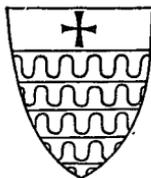
ROS.³⁰



Or three bougets sable.

Called Wark, and held in 1212, in chief, by Robert of Ros by 2 kts.' fees, o.f. In 1242 called the barony of *Ros* and held by William of Ros by 2½ kts.' fees, o.f. Its members were Wark, Learmouth, Mindrum, Carham, Pressen, Moneylaws, Downham—*Carham*; Paston, Kilham, Howtell, Lanton, Newton—*Kirknewton*; Ilderton, Roseden—*Ilderton*; Wooperton, Titlington, Lilburn—*Eglingham*; Shawdon, Glanton—*Whittingham*; Bolton, Abberwick—*Edlingham*; Bowsden—*Lowick*; Stratton Grange and Shotton not identified. Its head was Wark castle.

ROGER SON OF RALF



Vair on a chief argent a cross paty (gules)—Vesci. (Seal pl. 1, no. 15.)

In 1212 he held one town (*ville*) and a half in chief by 1 kt.'s fee his ancestors had held by the serjeanty of forestry; this, king John altered to kt. service. In 1242 the barony was held by the same Roger by the same service. Its members were Ditchburn—*Eglingham*; Cartington—*Rothbury*; Great Ryle—*Whittingham*; Togston—*Warkworth*. Ditchburn was its head.³¹

²⁹ NCH I, XI, xiv.

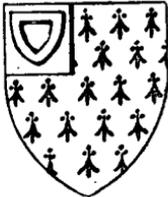
³⁰ NCH XI, xiv.

³¹ NCH XIV, 415.

HEPPLE.³²

Argent a saltire gules on a chief gules three escallops argent—Taylbois.

In 1212 held in chief, in thanage by Ivo Taylbois for £1 a year. In 1242 held by Nicholas of Farendon and Elizabeth his wife by 1 kt.'s fee. Its members were Hepple, Bickerton, Great and Little Tosson, Flotterton, Warton and Trew hitt—*Rothbury*.

SURTEES.³³

Ermine on a quarter gules an orle argent.

Called Gosforth (*ville*) in 1212, held by Richard Surtees in chief by two parts of 1 kt.'s fee, o.f. In 1242 it is called the barony of RALF SURTEES and held by him by the same service. It is there called South Gosforth.

BALLIOL.³⁴

Argent an orle gules.

In 1212 held in chief by Hugh of Balliol by the service of 5 kts. and 30 kts. for castle guard at Newcastle upon Tyne then called Bywell. In 1242 called the barony of BALLIOL, the service is not stated. Its members were Newbiggin, Woodhorn, Lynmouth, Hirst, Ellington, Cresswell, Hayden—*Woodhorn*; Linton—*Widdrington*; Bitchfield, Black Heddon, Stamfordham, Ulkeston, Ryal, Nesbit—*Stamfordham*; Dalton—*Newburn*; Gunnerton, Swinburne—*Chollerton*; Acomb, Newton, Stelling, half of Bywell, Bromley, Fotherley—*Bywell St. Peter*; Ovington, Mickley, Eltringham, Whittonstall (*chapelry*)—*Ovingham*; Stocksfield—*Bywell St. Andrew*; Bywell was its head.

EARL PATRICK.³⁵

Argent a lion rampant gules a border gules charged with roses argent. (Later Seal pl. 1, no. 11.)

In 1212 held by earl Patrick of Dunbar in chief by serjeanty of "inborwe et utborwe" between England and Scotland, he also held three towns (Middleton) in thanage paying the king 30/- a year, o.f. In 1242 it is called the barony of EARL

³² NCH XV, 380.³³ NCH XIII, 345.³⁴ NCH VI, 14.³⁵ NCH XIV, 399.

PATRICK held by the same. Its members were Edlingham, Learchild, Lemmington—*Edlingham*; Beanley, Brandon, Branton, Harehope, Hedgeley—*Eglingham*; Three Middletons, Roddam—*Ilderton*; Stanton, Wingates, Horsley, Witton—*Long Horsley*; Wotton not traced.

DILSTON.³⁶

Argent on a fess sable three sheaves or.

In 1212 Thomas of Divelstone held in chief that town by $\frac{1}{3}$ part of a kt.'s fee, o.f. In 1242 called the barony of DIVELSTONE held by Simon D. by the same service.

REDESDALE.³⁷

Gules a crusilly and a cinquefoil or.

In 1212 Richard of Umfraville held the valley of Redesdale by service of keeping the valley clear of robbers, o.f. In 1242 it was held by Gilbert of Umfraville in Regality (*per regalem potestatem*).

3.—KNIGHTS OF NORTHUMBERLAND, A.D. 1211-12.

JORDAN HAIRUN (Heron).

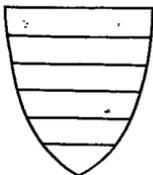
Device a heron. (AA³ VI, viii, 1) (plate II, no. 10).

He was h. to Ralph of Wirecester whom he suc. in the barony of Hadstone, Warkworth par., he pd. the scutages of 1199, 1202-03, 1211-12, and the Aid of Henry III in 1245, the Sheriff of Northumberland: was ordered in 1236 to perambulate his lands in Hadstone which barony comprising, Hadstone, Colwell, E. Swinburne, Little Benton and Chirton, held in chief by the service of one kt.'s fee, d. shortly after 1245. (CDS I, BF, NCH V.)

³⁶ NCH X, 233.

³⁷ JH II, ii, 1.

ROBERT MUSCHAMPS (Muscamp).



Armorial seal (or) three bars (gules). (DS, 1848.) S. and h. of Robert M. (II), in 1212 and 1242 he held the barony of Wooler by 4 kts.' fees, as Robert s. of Robert M. granted lands to Melrose abbey c. 1220, and about the same date granted lands to Newminster, c. 1225 had confirmation of lands in Howburn, described as "a man of great repute in the northern parts of England". d. c. 1250 leaving three daughters his co-heirs. (BF, CDS I, AA XIV, NCH XI.)

JOHN AND JAMES CALZ (Cauz).

No seals nor arms have been found for them. At the Inquest of 1212 they held jointly the barony of Bolam in chief of the king with their wives, daughters and co-heirs of Walter son of Gilbert—Alice wife of John and Aline wife of James, by service of 3 kts. In 1242 held by the same service. They paid the Aid of 1211-12 and in that year had a writ against the prior of Tynmouth and acknowledged the prior's right in a fishery at Elswick, later the manor of Bradford (near Blyth) was held by Aline then the widow of James. Thomas of Bekering was their heir. (BF, JH, CDS, NCH XIII.)

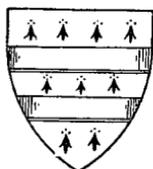
THOMAS DIVELSTONE (Dilston).

No seal nor arms are known. S and h. of Robert of D. in 1203 paid relief upon suc. to his father's lands at Dilston which were confirmed to him by king John on 5 Nov. 1205, he paid the Aids of 1204-06 and that of 1212, though he may have served personally in Scotland in 1211, in that year he confirmed his father's gift of rents in Milburn to the nuns of St. Bartholomew, his wife was Agnes, he d. 1212 and was suc. by his infant s. Simon, at the Inquest of 1212 the barony was held in chief of the king by the service of a third of a kt.'s fee and was, together with the heir, in the custody of Robert son of Roger. His dau. Margery was later the wife of William of Tyndale. (BF, CDS, NCH X.)

JOHN SON OF JOHN.

No seal nor arms known, he pd. the Aid of 1211-12 and was concerned in a plea of land and serjeanty brought against him in 1253 by Ramette dau. of John le Viscount, nothing more found. (CDS.)

GILBERT DE LA VAL (Delaval).



Ermine two bars vert. (J.)

This shield first appears on the seal of Hugh grandson of Gilbert, in 1287, differenced by a bend (DS, 781), it is blazoned in Jenyn's roll of Ed. II date. Gilbert was s. and h. of Hugh son of Roger, in 1166 he held the barony of Callerton by two kts.' fees and also at the Inquest of 1212, one of the northern knights who joined against king John in 1215, living in 1226, suc. by his s. Eustace. Fuller particulars of his life are given in volume X NCH. (NCH X, CDS, BF.)

ADAM OF TYNDALE.



Argent on a fess sable three garbs. (Po.)

Arms as used by his descendant William T. in fourteenth century (DS, 2492-93, Powell's roll of Ed. III). S. and h. of Adam T. and his wife Helewise, suc. to his father's lands at end of twelfth century, paid scutage of 1211-12, at the Inquest of 1212 held the barony of Langley in chief of the king by the service of 1 kt., 1207 has plea with Robert of Curtenai and Alice his wife at Cockermouth, 1222 owes 30 mks. to Robert of Castlecairoc, 28 Aug. 1233 the sheriff of Northumberland was ordered to make survey of his lands and to deliver to the archbishop of York the part of Walter of Tunstal one of Adam's heirs giving to Nicholas of Boltby and Phillipa his wife her share, 30 Sept. 1237 Walter of Tunstal is dead and Nicholas of Boltby husband of Phillipa has done homage for Walter's portion to whom it descended. (BF, CDS I, JH II, iii, NCH X.)

ROGER MERLAY (II).



Seal, four merles perched upon foliage (JH II, ii, 375). His son's seal is armorial three merles flying paleways (DS, 1759), arms in Hy. III, roll—barry arg. and gules a border azure charged with merles or. Being the bars of Stuteville and a border Merlay. (See post, p. 50.)

S. and h. of Roger (I) by his wife Alice of Stuteville, a minor in 1188 when Duncan earl of Fife paid 500 mks. for his wardship and marriage, in 1194 paid 20 mks. to be excused going to the war in Normandy, in 1200 granted the privilege to have

a market and fair in his town and manor of Morpeth, at the Inquest of 1211-12 held in chief of the king the barony of Morpeth by the service of four kts., in 1236 paid for 4 fees of the old feoffment, in 1215 had licence to empark his woods at Witton, c. 1226 made grants to Brinkburn priory for the souls of his mother Alice, his wife Ada and his son Ranulf, in 1216 he joined the northern knights against king John, after which his lands and castle were seized by the sheriff Philip of Ulcotes, in 1218 he made his peace and lands restored to him, in 1224 had acquittance of service due from him to the castle of Newcastle, in 1220 he and other northern barons were summoned to march with all speed to besiege and utterly destroy the castle of Cocker-mouth in the hands of the Earl of Chester and his adherents, ordered in 1229 to attend king Alexander of Scotland from Berwick to a convention at York, ordered with others in May 1222 to meet Scottish knights at the Border and settle a dispute as to the March boundary at Whitlaw, witness to a deed of 1233, m. for his second wife Margaret dau. of Richard Umfraville, d. 1239 and bur. in the cloister of Newminster Abbey, suc. by his sec. s. Roger (III). (BF, CDS, JH.)

ROBERT ROS.



Or three bougets sable. (G.)

Probably a younger s. of Robert Ros of Helm-sley, paid scutages of 1199-1200 and of 1211-12, 1212 is confirmed by king John in the Honour of Wark which had belonged to Walter L'Espece, in 1201 is witness to a grant by the king to the nuns of Lambley, receives 40 mks. paid to kts. at Carrickfergus 1210, Jan. 1213 king delivers to him custody of the forest of Cumberland during pleasure, at Inquest of 1212 held in chief of the king the barony of Wark by the service of two kts., with other knights swears to keep good faith with the king on mar. of Joan the king's sister with Alexander of Scotland 1220, May 1212 his honour of Wark committed to Philip of Ulcotes, Robert having taken the habit of religion, Apl. 1209 sent to escort William the Lion to meet king John, c. 1225 founded the hospital of St. Thomas at Bolton, d. in 1226, Aug. 15 1227 *inspeximus* by Henry III of a charter of Robert granting Wark &c to his s. Robert. (BF, CDS, PR, NCH XI.)

RICHARD UMFRAVILLE.

Device on seal a large cinquefoil. (DS, 2507.)

Suc. to his brother Robert's land c. 1195 second s. of Odinel

Umfraville. and his wife Alice Lucy, pays scutage of 1211-12, Oct. 1207 complains that Eustace Vesci had deprived him of the heir of Faudon which his great great grandfather had given to Gilbert Bataille at the Conquest, at the Inquest of 1212 Richard held the barony of Prudhoe in chief of the king by the service of two kts., he also held the town of Little Ryle and the valley of Redesdale by the service of keeping it free from thieves, Aug. 1220 he replies to Hubert de Burgh the Justiciar, who had by the king's orders ordered him to destroy Harbottle castle, that the castle was usefully planted on the Marches of Scotland towards the Great Waste and that it was not unlicensed; in 1220, with other kts. of Northumberland, ordered to perambulate the Border and settle the bounds of the Scottish March at Whitlawe, joined the northern knights against king John in 1215 after which Prudhoe castle and his lands were forfeited, restored to him in 1217, he confirmed his father's gifts to Kelso, Newminster and Hexham, d. 1226. (BF, CDS, PR, NCH XII.)

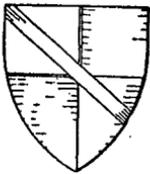
HUGH BOLBECK.



Vert a lion rampant ermine (or argent). (B.)

Second s. and eventual h. of Hugh I, at the Inquest of 1212 he held the barony of Styford (Bolbec) in chief of the king by the service of five kts., sheriff of Northumberland 1221 and 1236, d. 1262. See account of him NCH VI, and AA XX,⁴ p. 29.

ROBERT SON OF ROGER.

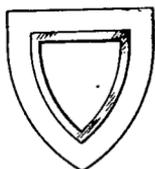


Quarterly (or and gules) a baston (sable). (F.)

S. and h. of Roger son of Richard, b. 1168, suc. as a minor to his father 1178, of age 1191, had grant of manor of Iver in Bucks. from Richard I, mar. Margaret Chesney, a Norfolk heiress of Horsford manor, where he lived for some years, sheriff of Norfolk 1199-1200, founded abbey of St. Mary at Langley in that co. for monks from Alnwick abbey, in 1199 king John confirmed him in the castle and manor of Warkworth for 300 mks., he was a friend and favourite of John who in 1205 gave him the manors of Rothbury and Newburn, he largely rebuilt Warkworth castle c. 1200-01, sheriff of Northumberland c. 1200-13, at the Inquest of 1212 he held in chief of the king the manors of Warkworth

by the service of one kt., Rothbury for one kt., Newburn for one kt. and the town of Corbridge at farm, on 20 Nov. 1205 he was ordered to meet the king at York and again in 1209, c. 1210 attends the king of Scots. daus. at York, c. 1211 renders account for the equipment of a galley and for the keep of 52 boatmen at Norham, d. 1214, suc. by his son John. (BF, CDS, NCH V, AA XX.)

HUGH BALIOL.



Gules an orle argent. (F.)

S. and h. of Eustace B., lord of Bywell and Barnard Castle, suc. c. 1200, at Inquest of 1212 held the barony of Bywell by the service of five kts. and thirty kts. for the ward of the castle of Newcastle, he was an adherent of king John in the troubles of 1215-16, d. in 1228 when John his son owed £150 for his relief for thirty kts.' fees held in chief of the king and £20 for four kts.' fees of the Honour of Boulogne. A very full account of him is given in NCH VI which it is unnecessary to repeat here. (BF, NCH VI, 72 and pp. 14-86.)

EUSTACE VESCI.



Seal a vetch plant between two birds antique gem in base (TA I, 403). His son William bore *gules a cross patonce argent.* (B.)

B. c. 1170, s. and h. of William V, lord of Alnwick, of full age 1191, mar. Margaret dau. of William the Lion and sister of Alexander king of Scots, killed 1215 by a cross-bow bolt, at Barnard castle whilst it was besieged by Alexander II of Scotland. 1191-92 owes 1300 mks. for his lands and marrying whom he will. Witnessed 17 Apl. 1194 deed of restoration to William the Lion by Richard I, has 30 mks. loan at Carrickfergus 25 July 1210, pays scutage upon 24½ kts.' fees 1211, at Inquest of 1212 holds the barony of Alnwick in chief of the king by 12 kts.' fees, also the vills. of Budle and Spindleston. 8 July 1212 king orders Gilbert son of Reinfrid to get one good palfrey from Eustace for the bastard dau. of William Stuteville, Nov. 1199 the king, by writ from beyond sea, prohibits the forfeiture of Eustace's lands which he (Eustace) had committed to William and Warin Vesci, until the king learns how the king of Scots conducts himself, 1203 the king prohibits a duel between Eustace and Ralf de Tilly about manor of Lodenham until Eustace shall come to

Normandy and then the duel may proceed according to the custom of England, Oct. 1207 has dispute with Richard Umfraville as to the heir of the manor of Faudon, 10 Apl. 1209 sent with others to conduct William the Lion from Berwick to confer with the king at York, he was one of the magnates to enforce the provisions of Magna Carta, supported by Louis the Dauphin and did homage to Alexander II when he marched into Cumberland and Westmorland and besieged Barnard castle where Eustace was killed Oct. 1215. In John's campaign of Jan. 1216 the castle of Alnwick was taken and burnt, 15 Sept. 1216 the king commands Philip of Ulcotes to give half Eustace's lands to the king's steward William of Harcourt and to retain the other half himself, 6 Nov. 1217 his lands in Northumberland and the barony and castle of Alnwick committed to the bishop of Durham, Margaret his widow to have dower, 25 Jan. 1218 the king grants to William earl of Salisbury the ward of the land and heir of Eustace also the marriage of the heir and commands the bishop of Durham to give delivery forthwith. (BF, CDS, PR, CR.)

4.—KNIGHTS OF NORTHUMBERLAND, 1245.

Being the twenty-four knights of the county ordered, on 13 October, 1245, by Henry III to survey the March of England and Scotland between Carham and Haudene and determine the true and ancient bounds between the two kingdoms at that place. (CDS I, 1676.)

ROGER SON OF RALF.

Probably son of Ralf son of Main founder of the family who held the small barony of Ditchburn near Eglington as one kt.'s fee, Roger paid 2 mks. for his one fee to the Aid of 1235, he paid 20/- scutage in 1211-12, in 1220 one of four kts. sent by the justices to view a "bretasche" erected upon Tyne bridge. In 1236 held in chief of the king Ditchburn, Great Ryal and Cartington by the service of one kt. and in addition, in 1242, three parts of Togston, Nov. 1248 one of the kts. who reported upon the laws of the Marches, he d. towards the middle of the century, suc. by his son Ralf. (See p. 48.) (BF, CDS, NCH II.) See seal of 1266 (pl. 1, no. 15).

ODINEL FORD.

In the early thirteenth century held the manor of Ford, with Crookham and Kimmerston and a quarter of Hethpool, of the barony of Muscamp as one kt.'s fee, 20 July 1229 appointed justice of an assize at Newcastle, and in 1240 a justice concerning the advowson of the church of Haltwhistle, had grant of free warren in his demense lands 1244, his homage and service was assigned to William Huntercombe and Isabel his wife 1254, 16 September 1254 in an enquiry into the possessions of Robert Muscamp, he held one kt.'s fee, made suit of court and rendered cornage, scutage and fine of the county, d. c. 1254, the jurors also say that Cecilie eldest dau. of Sir Robert Muscamp mar. a son of Odinel and had a dau. Isabel who is now his heir, as parents are both dead. Isabel is 15 yrs. of age and mar. to a boy Adam of Wigton aged 13 or 14 yrs.; they are both in the ward of William of Huntercombe. (BF, JH, CDS, NCH XI.)

WILLIAM ACHILDE (Akeld).

Probably son of Robert A. who held Coupland and Akeld of the barony of Muscamp or Wooler, in 1242 he held Akeld, Coupland and Yevering as one kt.'s feë, in 1254 he held one kt.'s fee of the late Robert M. and in 1255 his homage and service were assigned to the earl of Stratherne, he witnessed as kt. deeds of the mid-thirteenth century. (BF, CDS, NCH.)

WILLIAM TURBERVILLE.

In 1219 either he or possibly his father was one of the kts. of Northumberland appointed to inspect a "bretasche" built upon Tyne bridge by the bishop of Durham, in 1242 he held the manor of Horton in Chatton of the barony of Vesci, in 1254 he was one of kts. appointed to survey the lands, late of Robert Muscamp in Northumberland, in 1253 Agnes widow of William Vesci claimed dower from him, in 1256 he was accused of attacking the servants of William of Valence as they returned from Alnwick fair. There were a succession of William T's in Northumberland from the late twelfth century and others of the same surname in the south of England. It has not been found possible to connect these with the Northumbrian family nor to determine the arms of that family. (BF, CDS, NCH XIV.)

JOHN ESLINGTON.



Argent two bars and in chief three molets azure. Seal of his grandson of A.D. 1312 and J. (pl. II, no. 4). Younger s. of Alan E., one of kts. to perambulate the Marches to settle a dispute between Bernard of Haudene and the canons of Carham Dec. 1246, in 1236 he held the manor of Eslington in chief of the king in drenage, suc. his elder bro. in Thrunton and had confirmation

or regrant of the manor of Eslington in 1247, rendering foreign service, cornage, suit of court and truncage to Bamburgh castle, he also held Shipley of earl Patrick, the regrant of Eslington was made at the request of Robert Bertram of Mitford whose steward he was, in 1256 he suc. to some lands of his relative Margaret of Framlington, mar. Johanna dau. of Thomas of Pontop, d. 1264. (BF, HS, NCH XIV, AA³ VI.)

WILLIAM HOTON (Houghton).

Nothing more found except that he was also one of the kts. appointed to perambulate the Marches in Dec. 1246. (CDS.)

ROBERT MAULEFAUT.

Nothing more found about him except that in November 1248 he was one of the kts. appointed to enquire into the laws of the Marches and an injury done to Nicholas Soules. (CDS.) He pd. an amercement in 1252 towards ward of Bamburgh castle and an oblation in 1256. (P. Rolls.)

HENRY HILDERTON (Ilderton).



Argent three bougets sable. (J.)

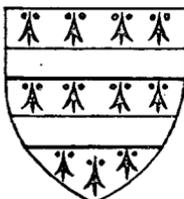
He was living in 1231, in 1235 held the three Middletons in Glendale from the Ros barony of Wark, in 1242 he was sued for lands in Kilham and Paston, when he held Roddam and the above-named Middletons. The arms are derived

and differenced from those of Ros of Wark. (CDS, NCH.)

WALTER OF WITTON.

No other mention of him found except that as Walter of "Wutton" he was one of the kts. appointed in December 1246 to perambulate the Marches near Carham. (CDS.)

HENRY DE VALLE (Delaval).



Ermine two bars vert. (with difference). (J.) He was a younger s. of Gilbert D. and bro. and h. of Eustace whose h. he was in 1258, held $\frac{1}{2}$ a kt.'s fee in Eachwick and Benwell of Hugh Bolbec, in 1271 held $\frac{1}{2}$ a kt.'s fee in "Halliwelle", held inquest of Robert Mitford's lands to take them into the king's hands, February 1265 acquired Brampton and half of Biddlestone by mar. with Margery dau. of Robert B., served in Scotland as kt. 1257-58, d. before May 1270. (HS, CDS, NCH IX.)

JOHN LETEWELLE.

. . . a cinquefoil . . . and a chief (SND, 470, seal of Philip L. in 1275).

In 1242 he held "Keyrwick" and "Farniclou" for one pound "cimini". In 1245 a commissioner to enquire into the lands of Gilbert Umfraville, 1247 to enquire, with others, concerning lands in Northumberland held in serjeanty by earl Patrick, held in socage 40 acres in Caistron of the barony of Greystock. (CDS, BF, JH.)

ROBERT GLENTINDON (Glanton).



Azure a chevron between three crosses patonce argent. (Used later by Robert II.) He mar. c. 1210 Christine a sister and coh. of William Flamaville, at the Inquest of 1212 the three coh. of William and their husbands held the vill of Whittingham and Robert held in addition half of Glanton, he was suc. by his s. John distrained for knighthood in 1278 whose s. Robert II served in the retinue of Gilbert of Umfraville at Falkirk. (BF, CDS, NCH XIV, AA.)

ROBERT OF CRESSEWELLE (Cresswell).

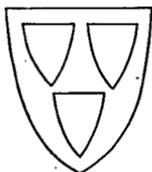


(argent) a squirrel (gules). (SND, 204, seal of a later Robert 1339.)

In 1246 one of the kts. of Northumberland appointed to perambulate the Border between England and Scotland. Nov. 1248 one of the kts. to report upon the laws of the Marches and an injury donè to Nicholas Soules, in 1249 with three other kts. to visit Walran of Horton

who had excused himself from a trial on the plea of sickness and to report upon truth of plea, witness to a deed about Whittonstall whilst William Heron was sheriff, witness to a deed of Robert Baliol concerning Ellington and various deeds in about the year 1240 concerning Widdrington and Ellington, a second Robert C. appears as a man-at-arms in 1324. (BF, JH II, AA⁴, CDS.)

JOHN SON OF SIMON.



Gules three inescutcheons argent. (St. Geo.)

He was kt. of the shire for Northumberland in 1216 (see AA⁴ X, p. 144). In 1242 he held Meldon and Prestwick of Roger Bertram of Mitford for 1½ kts.' fees. (BF.)

JOHN HERLE (Harle).



(Gules) on a bend (argent) three shovellers.

Seal of John H. to a deed of 1322, William H. sealed with a *fess bet. three birds* whilst a Robert H. bore gules a *chevron between three shovellers* (plate II, no. 6). In Dec. 1246 he with other kts. of Northumberland was appointed to perambulate and define the March between Carham and Haudene, in 1247 an inquisitor with others as to the lands earl Patrick held in serjeanty. In 1240 the manor of West Harle in Kirkwhelpington was held of the barony of Prudhoe as one kt.'s fee, of which Hugh held half and John held a quarter. Hugh was witness to a grant to Brinkburn priory by Thomas Fenwick. (BF, JH, CDS.)

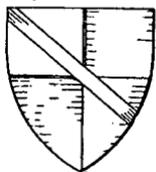
THOMAS FENWICK.



Argent a chief gules and six martlets counter-changed. (Po.)

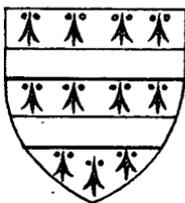
S. and h. of Robert F., ward and son-in-law of Sir William Lucy whose dau. Alice he had married, in 1242 held Capheaton as 1 kt.'s fee of Gilbert of Umfraville, in 1243 granted land at Capheaton to Brinkburn priory, in 1270 was about to go to the Holy Land, in 1274 granted lands in Capheaton to Alan Swinburne, his second wife was Christine who claimed dower in 1275. (BF, CDS, NCH XII, JH II, i.)

GERARD OF WUDERINTON (Widdrington).



Quarterly argent and gules a bend sable. (Po.) S. and h. of Geoffrey W., in 1212 had lease of lands from Hugh Flanders, witness with his father to a deed of 1203. In 1240 he held Widdrington, Druridge and half of Burradon of the barony of Whalton as one kt.'s fee. Witnessed deeds of c. 1260-70, d. c. 1271. (BF, JH II, ii.)

ROGER MAUDUIT.



Ermine two bars gules. (Br.) S. and h. of Geoffrey M. of Eshot, in 1244 he confirmed his father's grant of lands to Brinkburn priory, in 1258 he was overlord of Bockenfield and witnessed deeds of Roger Bertram of Mitford c. 1267, his w. was Isabel heiress of Tritlington, he d. before 1269, suc. by his s. Roger II. (CDS, NCH VII.)

ROBERT OF ULCHESTER (Outchester).

In 1242 he held Ulchester of the barony of Muscamp by one kt.'s fee, in 1246 one of the kts. to perambulate and delimitate the March between Carham and Haudene, in 1254 held one kt.'s fee late of Robert Muscamp, which he also held in 1270 from the heir of Robert M., in 1255 his homage and service were assigned to Adam of Wigton and his wife Isabel Ford, in 1270 had permission to have an oratory and chantry at Outchester for himself and his family, d. before 8 May 1271 holding one kt.'s fee, William his s. and h. was distrained for knighthood in 1278. (BF, CDS, NCH I, AA⁴.)

ROBERT OF HERTWATTON (Hartington).

He was an inquisitor in 1247 as to the lands of earl Patrick in Northumberland held in sergeanty, as kt. witnessed a deed of Aline Caux time of Henry III, Hartington is in par. of Hartburn. (CDS, JH.)

ROBERT DE INSULA (Lisle).



Ermine a lion rampant (azure). (Seal of c. 1299, SND No. 481.)

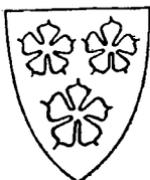
S. and h. of Peter L. of Chipchase and his wife Margery, who with his s. Robert had licence, in 1243, to have a chapel at Chipchase, in 1255 he granted the manor of Nesbit to Hexham priory, in 1264 appointed with others to carry

a letter from Henry III to the king of Scotland, c. 1268 granted a house and an acre of land to Hexham priory, and appears as witness to deeds of about that date. Margery was living as his widow in 1269, his cousin Robert L. of Woodburn was sheriff of Northumberland in 1264. (CDS, NCH IV.)

PETER DE BELLO.

I have found nothing further about him except that he was a kt. in 1245 as above. (CDS.)

NICHOLAS FARENDON.



Gules three cinquefoils or (later arms).

In about 1219 he mar. as her third husband Elizabeth widow of Ivo Taylbois. In 1236, in her right, he held the manors of Hepple, Bickerton, the Tossons and Trewhitts, for one kt.'s fee, he held the same in 1242 with the addition of Flotterton, Warton and half of Cartington for one fee. (BF, CDS, NCH XV.)

The cinquefoils of shield probably derive from those of Burradon.

ROBERT HILBURNE.

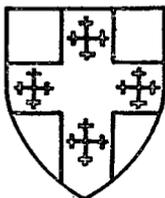
I cannot trace either the man or the place, a John H. was distrained for knighthood in 1278 when I assumed the name was an error for Lilburn, but this second entry makes that unlikely. There is no other record of him that I can find.

On 1st December 1246 twelve knights of Northumberland were appointed to perambulate the March between Carham and Haudene, to settle a dispute between the Canons of Carham and Bernard of Haudene. Ten of them are included in the above twenty-four, with Reynold son of Ralf and Robert of Cambhow added. (CDS, 1699.)

REYNOLD SON OF RALF.

Not traced, he does not appear to be of the Ditchburn family.

ROBERT CAMBHOW (Cambo).



From the seal of Walter C. (SND, 137.)

He was under-sheriff to Hugh Bolbec, accounts for him in the years 1243-46, in 1246 a kt. to perambulate the Marches between Carham and Haudene, in 1230 engaged in a plea concerning $\frac{1}{2}$ a kt.'s fee in Shafto, he and his wife Alice exchanged lands in Rathlaw for lands in Cambo with Newminster abbey, as kt. he occurs frequently as a witness to deeds in about the years 1240-50. He was father of Walter C. who was sheriff of Northumberland 1279-81 and kt. of the shire 1295. (CDS, JH, AA⁴.)

On 16 November 1248 six knights of Northumberland were appointed to meet six Scottish knights to enquire into the observation of the March laws and in particular an injury done to Nicholas of Soules, three of them, Roger son of Ralf, Robert Malefaunt and Robert of Cresswell are included in above list; the other three were William of Scremerston, Patrick of Gosewyk and Gilbert of Behulle. (CDS I, 1749.) The original document is printed *ibid.*, page 559.

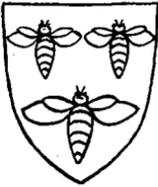
WILLIAM OF SCREMERSTONE.

In 1208 William son of Robert S. held a third part of the vill of Scremerston freely, paying 20/- a year, it is in the chapelry of Ancroft, Islandshire, he gave 13 acres of land in Scremerstone to the priory of Holy Island and with the consent of his son William made a grant to St. Cuthbert and the monks of Farne. (CDS, BF, RND.)

PATRICK OF GOSEWYK (Goswick).

Vert a fess between three geese argent (later shield). Goswick is a township on the coast of Islandshire. In 1208 Patrick held a third part of the vill in drenage, paying 14/5 a year and doing service at the bishop's manor of Fenwick. In 1252 Patrick s. of Constantine of Goswyk was pardoned his outlawry at the request of the king of Scots. (BF, CDS, RND.)

GILBERT OF BEHULLE (Beal).



Silver three bees sable (later shield).

In 1208 he held half of the vill freely and paid two mks. a year, granted lands in Beal, for a lamp in their church, to the monks and prior of Holy Island. (BF, RND.)

5.—KNIGHTS OF NORTHUMBERLAND IN THIRTEENTH CENTURY.

GILBERT ATON.

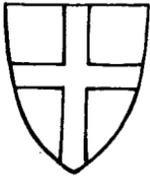


Gules a cross patonce argent. (Pa.)

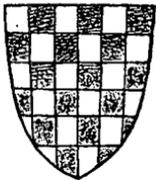
Or a cross sable.

He appears to have adopted the later arms of Vesci after suc. to their lands in 1317.

S and h. of William A. of West Ayton, Yorks., mar. Lucy dau. of John Oketon, ktd. with Prince of Wales 1306, in 1308 had grant of free warren in his Yorks demesne, lands, is coheir of Roger Bertram 1312, his brother William was husband of Isabel sister and coh. of Roger B., heir of William Vesci of Kildare 1317, did homage 7 Nov. 1317, had livery of his Yorks lands 1317-18, summoned to Great Councils of 1324-42, will dated 10 Apl. 1350. (HS, CP, TA.)

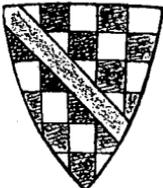


THOMAS BEKERING.



Checky argent and gules (N) blasoned for his s. differenced by a *bend azure.* (Pa.)

Bekering a manor in Holton par. Lincolns. S. and h. of Thomas B. by his wife Mary, in 1282 he acknowledged service of $1\frac{1}{2}$ kts.' fees for the barony of Bolam to be done by himself and a sergeant against the Welsh, d. c. 1285, writ. for inq. 22 Nov. 1287, lands in Northumberland were E. Hartington, Thornburgh and the advowson of Bolam church, his widow Cecily mar. John Bray, suc. by his son Thomas. (PW, CR, HS, JH.)



ROBERT BIKELSTONE.

Arms unknown, a kt. of Northumberland doing service for Hugh Delaval against the Welsh in 1277. (CDS.)

NICHOLAS BOLTBY.



Argent on a fess sable three garbs or. (Pap.)

The arms of Tynedale deriving originally from Comyn.

Of Boltby in No. Riding, mar. before 1233, Phillipa dau. and h. of Adam Tyndale, in that year the sheriff of Northumberland was ordered to survey the lands of Adam T. giving to Nicholas and his wife Phillipa her *esnevia*, 1254 to have seizen of lands in Langley, 1258 summoned with others, to go to the king at Chester against the Welsh, 1259 Simon of Montfort, guardian of Gilbert Umfraville, by his attorney enters a plea against Nicholas B. and Eva his wife that they have wasted woods held of Eva's dower, of the heritage of Gilbert, 1264 had safe conduct with others going to the king with his retinue, horses &c. to continue campaign against the Welsh, 1270 had free warren in his demesne lands of Langley &c., 1272 said by Alexander III to hold the barony of South Tyndale by the custom of England, d. 1272, his executors were Adam his s., David of Athol and Robert of St. Oswalter, escheator ordered to take his lands into the king's hands, Adam B. his s. and h. had livery of his lands 13 Dec. 1272. (CDS, JH, PW, CR, PR.)

ADAM BOLTBY.

S. and h. of Nicholas B. and his wife Philippa Tyndale, whom he suc. in his lands of Langley &c. 1272. Little is known of him, but in 1280 he granted his manors of Langley, Haydon &c. to Sir Thomas Multon and his wife Isabella dau. and heir of Adam of Boltby. In 1294 Sir Thomas, who had taken his mother's surname of Lucy, proved his right to the Langley estates as husband of Isabella dau. and h. of Adam of Boltby. Isabella was then dead. (JH II, iii, 364; N and D.)

JOHN BULMER.



Gules guttée a lion rampant or. (J.)

Of Wilton and Bulmer in No. Riding, mar. Theophania dau. and coh. of Hugh Morwick, acknowledged $\frac{1}{3}$ of a kt.'s fee of the inheritance of his wife, served agst. Welsh 1277, by a serjeant in 1282, in 1279 held 1 kt.'s fee in Bulmer &c. of late Peter Mauley and at an inq. of 1283 held $1\frac{1}{2}$ kts.' fees in Pickering, Lythe and Wilton late

of Robert Neville, d. before 4 Dec. 1299 holding in Northumberland $\frac{1}{2}$ of West Chevington and Morwick as of the inheritance of his wife, she died before 28 Aug. 1315, her son Ralf had livery of her lands 10 Dec. 1315. (HS, PW, CDS, NCH, PR.)

WALTER BURRADON.



Argent three cinquefoils sable. (Po.)

His seal, charged with three cinquefoils, is appended to agreement of 1302. Burradon in Alwinton par. In April 1245 either this man or his father was an inquisitor with others to make a survey to assign dower of Maud widow of Gilbert Umfraville and about the same date a juror for earl Patrick. In 1296 his goods at Burradon worth £9 13s. 6d., fined to settle manor of Ewart and Hawkhill upon his son John and Alice of Ewart his wife, in 1281 he was an attorney for Gilbert Umfraville, in 1296 on the king's service in Scotland, 1296 sheriff of Perth, in 1300 ordered to levy 3000 foot in Northumberland, 1301 sheriff of Lanark and keeper of Carstairs castle with 30 men-at-arms and 40 foot receiving 46/- a day. Sept. 1302 undertakes to retain these offices until Christmas (his seal attached), in 1305 appointed a justice in Galloway and in October 1305 received 15 mks. for his fee, d. before 28 Feb. 1309, suc. his s. and h. Walter II. (CDS, NCH XV, HS, PR, CR.)

HENRY BATAILLE.

No arms nor seals known, held the manor of Faudon in Ingram par. by one kt.'s fee, Henry was s. and h. of H. (I), he suc. his father whilst still a minor and in 1207 his wardship was disputed between Eustace Vesci to whose barony Faudon belonged and Richard of Umfraville the mesne lord. The family were wide spread in N.W. Northumberland in the twelfth and early thirteenth centuries but individually little has been found about them. 1212 William B. mar. sis. and coh. of William Flamaville of Whittingham and it was possibly he who c. 1264 sold Faudon to William Douglas. In 1242 Peter B. held $\frac{1}{2}$ of Ryal as $\frac{1}{2}$ fee o.f. of John Balliol. (BF, CDS, NCH XIV.)

ALEXANDER BRADFORD.



on a bend . . . three birds. (Ped. VCH I.)

S. and h. of Alexander I, paid 100/- for his relief in 1237, in 1212 he held the ville of Bradford, in Bamburgh par. in chief of the king by the service of one kt. as his ancestors had held it since the time of Henry I, in 1236 the manor was in the hands of the king, in 1242 is called a barony, in 1244 the sheriff of North-

umberland was ordered to take his lands into the king's hands; Alexander being then dead leaving a dau. Sibyl by his wife Ada. (BF, NCH I.)

GILBERT OF BOLAM.

S. and h. of James B. who held the barony time of Henry I. Gilbert certified Henry II in 1166, that he held the barony at 3 kts.' fees o.f. He was suc. by his son Walter B. whose two daus. and coh. married John and James Caux. (B.Bk. JH II, i, 333; NRC VII.)

RICHARD CAMVILLE (or Canvill).



Azure three lions passant argent. (Pa.)

About the year 1185 he and Helewyse his wife, who was a dau. of Walter son of William lord of the barony of Whalton in 1165, confirmed the grant of Walter son of William of the manor of Gosforth to Robert del Isle. This was confirmed in the following year by Henry II to be held of Richard C. by the service of $\frac{1}{3}$ part of a kt.'s fee and doing 15 days' ward in the New Castle, for which grant Robert pd. Richard 35 mks. (JH, NRC.)

WILLIAM CHARTRES (Chartres, Charteris).

His seal bears two shields, *sinister (argent) a fess (azure)*—Chartres; *dexter (gules) a cross paty (argent)*—Vesci. Plate II, no. 5.)

In the document, dated 1314, to which this seal is appended, he is styled of "Lesbury, Northumberland"; a detached seal of Thomas Chartres c. 1296 is armorial bearing . . . a fess . . . (CDS II, pl. III, fig. 14). 26 Sept. 1300 sent as a rebel to Nottingham castle, Jan. 1304 had made his peace with the king, at an enquiry then made at Roxburgh, as to the ancestors and lands of William it was found that the lady Johane Vescy was lady of half of the barony of Wilton (Roxburghs.) which she surrendered to king Alexander III "by staff and baton" and the king enfeoffed Sir Thomas Chartres and herself jointly, Thomas died in Scotland beyond the mountains a year past and the lady Johane died before the wars. It was found that the lands should descend to William C. as the heritage of his mother Agnes Vesci who died at Appletreing in the king's fealty two years since. Lesbury found part of the Vesci barony of Alnwick hence the cross on William's seal. (CDS, BM Cat., NCH II.)

EDMUND COMYN.



(*Gules*) three sheaves (*or*). (Plate II, no. 8.)

Ygr. son of Wm. C. suc. his brother at Newham c. 1290, he sided with John Balliol in quarrel with Edward I, captured at Durham and imprisoned in Nottingham castle 1296, Aug. 1297 he swore to serve the king in Flanders or elsewhere agst. king of France, his manor of Newham confiscated and given in charge to the bishop of Durham, he was pardoned and did homage 10 Mar. 1301, receiving his lands in Essex, Herts, Yorks and Northumberland, 10 Oct. 1304 received his manor of Fakenham, he was d. before Aug. 1314 when he held Fakenham as 1 kt.'s fee, Sawcampe manor as $\frac{1}{3}$ of a fee and Newham, Northumberland, as 1 fee, he left a widow Mary and two infant daus. Euphemie and Mary whose ward was given to Sir Nicholas de la Beche and Sir Hugh Audley, his widow mar. Sir William de le Beche. (CDS, HS, Inq, NCH I.)

WILLIAM COMYN (Kilbride).



Gules three sheaves *or*.

S. and h. of David C. and Isabel Valoignes h. of that family, D. held Newham in Bamburgh in 1242 as $\frac{1}{2}$ kt.'s fee, at inq. on Isabel in 1253 she held lands in various counties and Wm. was her s. and h., later in the century Wm. was granted permission by the prior of Nostell to have his own chapel and chaplain at Newham as Bamburgh church was too far away, 1266 he and his household had safe conduct coming to the king in England, 1268 his lands given to Wm. of St. Omer because Wm. C. had taken part in "late troubles" but having purged himself his lands were restored to him, 1279 fined in his absence from assize for making a pool in Newham and flooding the lands of Wm. Middleton in Preston, d. Mar. 1282-83. John his s. is a minor and John Vescy is appointed keeper of his manor of Newham, held in chief, during the heir's minority, value £37 13s. 8d. yearly, Eufemie his widow has grant of dower, July 1287 enquiry as to the age of John C. by Sir Robert Glanton and Sir Walter Edlingham, found that J. had lived at Kilbridge castle for two years after his father's death and that he was now of full age. (BF, CDS, HS, PR, NCH I.) He was suc. by his eldest son John who was of full age 1287, he also was a knight before 28 June 1290 when the custody of his lands, heir and heir's mar. was given to Robert son of Roger. (CDS, PR, NCH I.)

JOHN COMYN. (Badenoch.)

Arms as above.

A full account of him is given in NCH XV, pp. 243ff.; seals engraved plate I, nos. 1 and 2.

NICHOLAS CORBET.



(*Gules*) a lion rampant (*argent*). (SND, 185.)

He was s. and h. of William a ygr. s. of Patrick earl of Dunbar, by his wife Christine dau. and h. of Walter Corbet of Makerstone, he mar. Margery dau. and coh. of Hugh Bolbeck whose mother was sister and coh. of Richard Montfichet, in 1256 he held the manor of Lanton in Glendale, in 1263 Gameline bp. of St. Andrews wrote to Walter Merton, then chancellor of England, on behalf of his friend Nicholas C. whom he calls cousin of the king of Scotland, John bp. of Glasgow also wrote on behalf of Nicholas, Mar. 1274 Nich. and his wife Marg. had livery of her share of the lands of Richard Montfichet namely manor of Holland, 3 kts.' fees at Letchworth, $\frac{1}{2}$ a fee at Witham, $\frac{1}{4}$ fee at Barenton and $\frac{1}{2}$ a fee at Lambourne, to serve agst. Welsh 1277, pays fine of £10 for $\frac{1}{4}$ fee in Hants and offers service of $1\frac{1}{4}$ fees in Northumberland of his Bolbeck inheritance, he is d. before Christmas 1280, May 1281 his wid. Margery does homage for her share of the Montfichet lands. Nov. 1281 she has leave to marry Ralf fitz William paying a fine of 100 mks. for permission. (CDS, HS, CR, PR, NCH XI.)

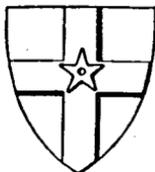
WALTER CORBET.



... *three corbies* ... (grave slab at Newminster).

He was a ygr. brother of the above. Nicholas C. who gave him in 1280 the manors of Lanton and Newton in Glendale held of the barony of Ros of Wark as 1 kt.'s fee, his wife was Joan styled the lady of Stanton (nr. Morpeth) which manor came to the Corbets through this mar., Walter d. before 1293, when Joan is his widow. A deed of his is given in JH II, ii, 118, note 8, but little is known of him. (JH, NCH, N/C Proc.)

SAMPSON COUPLAND.



Argent on a cross sable a molet argent, as borne by his descendant John C.

He was either the founder of the family of Coupland in Kirknewton, part of barony of Muscamp or his s. and successor, c. 1200 one of four kts. of Northumberland to report upon illness of earl David (of Huntingdon) at Carham, April 1247 an inquisitor with others to enquire into the lands held in serjeanty in Northumberland by earl Patrick, 1254 with others kts. to survey the lands in Northumberland of the late Robert Muscamp, confirmed lands given by his father S. to Kirkham priory. (CDS, NCH XI.)

DAVID COUPLAND.

S. and h. of above Sampson C., as kt. he witnessed a charter of Sir Nicholas Corbet dating c. 1280, he suc. to his father's lands c. 1274, in that year sued Robert C. for lands in C., c. 1295 conveyed his demesne lands to Thomas Baxter, assessed as lord of C. in subsidy roll of 1296, d. c. 1300, suc. by his s. and h. Simon. (NCH XI, AA⁴.)

ALBERT OF CRASTER.



Quarterly or gules a crow in the quarter (J later arms).

Held the ville of Craster from John son of Odard in 1166, his wife was Christine of Argenton, suc. by his s. William. (BB, NCH II, 177.)

HUGH OF CRAUDEN.

Held one kt.'s fee of Walter of Bolbec in 1166, this consisted of the manors of Wallington and Whitcheater and of Haughton in Heddon on the Wall, he also held the manors of Crauden and Beche in Cambridgeshire as one kt.'s fee, all these were held by Sibyl of Crauden in 1240. In 1278 Philip of Crauden was distrained for knighthood. Hugh's name appears in the Pipe roll between 1164 and 1201. (BB; JH III, iii, 302, and Pipe roll *ibid.*)

ELIAS CUSYN (Cosin).

No arms known. S. and h. of Nicholas Cusyn, who is also called N. son of Simon, 12 June 1282 had livery of his father's lands in West Matfen, held in serjeanty in chief of the king, Elias was 28 years of age at his father's death, on 20 June 1301 Margery aged 15 then wife of Thomas Bocland was his dau. and h. (HS, FR, NCH XII.)

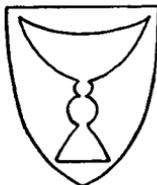
WILLIAM DOUGLAS.



. . . a man's head couped . . . (Seal SND; plate II, no. 14.)

The blason of this armorial shield is not known but, attached to a deed of c. 1270, the arms are the earliest known of Douglas. Later Douglas arms were *argent a man's heart gules on a chief azure three molets argent*. He was s. and h. of Archibald D. (1213-40) and grands. of William the first known owner of Douglasdale (1174-1213). He acquired the manor of Faudon in Ingram from William Bataille, possibly by marriage, early in the thirteenth century, in 1241 he with William Heron were pledged for a fine due from Michael of Ryal, in 1256 acknowledged that he had given lands in Warentham to his s. William for his homage and service, March 1267 had letters of protection from the king for three years, 20 July 1267 Richard Middleton held an assize of novel disseison brought by William D. agst. Gilbert Umfraville, William by the aid of prince Edward gained his plea and, at Bolton, by William Huntercombe keeper of Northumberland and John of Halton justice, the sheriff was ordered to restore Faudon to William, he was then about 60 years of age and d. before 16 Oct. 1274. The above refers only to his connection with Northumberland, his general history belongs to that of Scotland. Suc. at Faudon by his s. William called "the Hardy" whose history is it not recorded in the *Chronicles of Scotland*? (CDS, NCH XIV, BNC XXIII.)

ROGER D'AUDRE.

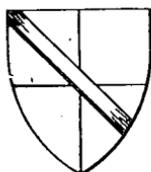


. . . a chalice . . . (Seals, DS, 103-5.)

In the return of the temporalities of the bishop of Durham in 1208-10 he held half of the towns of Ancroft, Felkington and Allerdene by the service of half a knight's fee. His wife was Wimarc heiress of the Papedy family who were prominent in the affairs of Northhamshire in the early twelfth century. Roger held the manor of

Beautrove (Butterby) in St. Oswald's Durham. In the earlier years of the thirteenth century prior Ralf (1214-33) granted him licence to build a chapel within his manor of Beautrove. His wife Wimarc survived as his widow, her seal bears the canting charge of a popinjay (DS, 1935). Before 1240 their heiress mar. Sir William Lumley. (BF, RND, DS, BNC.)

HUGH EVER.



Quarterly (or and gules) a baston (sable). (DS, 929.)

A ygr. s. of John son of Robert lord of Warkworth and his wife Ada Baliol, his surname is from the manor of Iver (sometimes spelled Evere in co. Bucks). The document dated 1273 to which his seal is attached calls him an executor of the will of John Baliol, in 1274 men of Ellington accused of trespass agst. him, 10 July 1275 order to restore to him, till next parl., the manor of Kirkley and Mitford park which Roger Bertram had alienated to him without licence, in 1279 he was a surety for John Baliol, 1290 the manors of Stokesley and Ingoldby confirmed to him by Ed. I, overlord of Hecham, Northumberland, in 1293 he had quittance of eyre in Yorks. 7 Aug. 1295 d. holding lands in Northumberland, 19 May 1296 dower to his widow Ellen and custody of his lands to John del Isle. John was his s. and h. (HS, NCH, CR, Inq.)

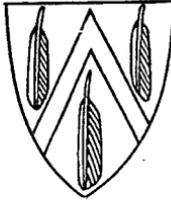
ROBERT FLOTWEYTON (Flotterton).

As kt. in 1307 he witnessed a deed giving lands in Edlingham to the church of Alnwick. Flotterton is a township in Rothbury par. and gave name to a family who owned it in the thirteenth century but no Robert is named. (HS, NCH XV.)

RICHARD FORD.

Arms unknown. At an inquisition by the king's escheator in Northumberland on 20 March 1254 held to enquire into the lands held in chief by Isabel Ford dau. and h. of Odinel F. her nearest heir was found to be her uncle Richard F. Kt., he was then aged 26. He was pardoned for homicide 21 Sept. 1298 because of his service in Scotland, nothing more found, he is not mentioned in NCH XI. (CDS, PR, HS.)

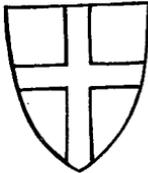
THOMAS FEATHERSTONHAUGH.



(Gules) a chevron between three ostrich feathers (argent). (SND, 277.)

S. and h. of Thomas F. (I) and his wife Mariota, who held manor of F. of the barony of Tyndale in socage, in 1272 he held an inquest after the death of Thomas lord Lucy of Langley, in the early fourteenth century he and his son Thomas were conservators of the truce with Scotland, in 1327 keeper of Staward Peel, and had for life custody of the manor of Wark on Tyne, styled king's valet and ordered to muster the men of Tyndale in 1335 commisnr. of array in south Tyndale. He is not specially called kt. but it seems probable that a commissioner of array would be of that rank. Witness to many deeds. (JH II, iii, 354, N & D VII, &c.)

RICHARD GOSEBECK.



Armorial . . . a cross . . . (Seal SND, 317.) His son Ralf used an armorial seal bearing three geese to a deed of 1320 (*ibid.*, 318).

Gosbeck in Suffolk, in 1212 Hugh Gosbeck held two kts.' fees in Eston in that county of the barony of Raymes. In 1262 Richard held eight townships in Northumberland as 2½ kts.' fees, in 1277 to serve agst. Welsh and acknowledged 1½ kts.' fees in Bolam to be served by three serjeants, his wife was Margery dau. and h. of Aline Caux whom he had forcibly married, in her right Richard held a moiety of Bolam, Ayden and S. Middleton as 3 kts.' fees, d. 1281, his s. and h. was Hugh, his wife d. before 4 Dec. 1285 when her s. John had livery of her share of Ayden. The cross of the shield probably derives from that of Raymes. (BF, NCH, HS, PW, CR.)

RALF GAUGY.

No arms are known, he was Ralf G. IV and pd. relief for his lands in 1243. In 1212 his father held the barony of Jesmond in chief by the service of 3 kts.' fees, and in 1235-36 paid for 3 fees; in 1242-43 the barony is called that of Gaugy and it comprised Ellingham, Osberwic, Doxford, Cramlington, Heton, Hartlaw, Jesmond and Whitlawe held by 3 kts.' fees. In 1265 "went with horses and men-at-arms in the troubles but did no harm", 1277 summoned agst. Welsh and acknowledged one kt.' fee at Ellingham and Doxford, in 1274 he had sold lands of Hartlaw manor to Gilbert Middleton without licence, witness to a deed about Chatton 7 Nov. 1278; d. 30 Dec. 1278, his widow

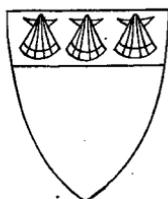
Margaret had dower 25 Jan. 1279, his brother and h. Alan smitten with leprosy, his kin and heir was Robert Clifford who had livery 7 May 1279, his widow Margaret fined and was pardoned for marrying Robert Gray without licence. (BF, NCH II, HS, CR, FR.)

HENRY OF GRAHAM.

Gules a saltire argent on a chief argent three escallops gules. (Pap.)

Alexander II granted the manor of Simonburn to him about the middle of the thirteenth century, c. 1291 his son granted it to Adam of Swinburn in free marriage with his daughter Idonea. (CDS I, NCH XV.)

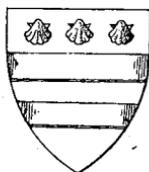
NICHOLAS OF GRAHAM.



Argent on a chief sable three escallops argent. (Seal pl. II, no. 12.)

His wife was Maria dau. of Malise earl of Strathearn with whom in 1269 he had a plea as to right of common in Belford and Middleton, did homage to Edward I in 1296, in 1300 Edward I granted Isabel widow of John of Vesci the lands of Nicholas in Wooler, he being a rebel. In May 1303 he had made peace with Edward and his Wooler lands were restored to him. He held half of Wooler with the advowson and half of Cheviot, d. before May 1306, John was his s. and h. (CDS I, II; NCH XI.)

JOHN HALTON.



(Argent) two bars and in chief three escallops (azure). Seal BM, of 1322, shews only two escallops. (Pl. II, no. 13.)

He was s. and h. of William H. who was kt. of the shire in 1295 and grandson of John H. sheriff in 1265, was 19 years of age at his father's death in 1299, had livery of his father's lands 16 May 1303, satisfaction of his quitclaim to David earl of Athol of his rights in Halton manor, imprisoned for treason with Scots 1314, alienated his manor of Great Whittington to Richard Acton, settled Halton and Clarewood upon himself with remainder to Robert and Thomas Lowther and their wives, who were his daus. and coh., Eleanor and Margaret, in Aug. 1322 David earl of Athol pardoned for acquiring from John H. the manors of Halton and Clarewood, his name on the subsidy roll of 1336, d. March 1345. (HS, PR, NCH X.)

JOHN HERTWAYTON (Hartington).

Arms unknown. Hartington is in Hartburn par., at an inq. of 22 Nov. 1287 John H. held East Hartington as 1 kt.'s fee late of Thomas Bekering, witnessed as kt. a charter of 1291 giving lands in Northumberland to Barlings abbey, witnessed as kt. a charter of John Ogle with John Kirkby then sheriff 1296-97. (HS, JH.)

ROBERT OF HEBBURN.



Argent three cressets sable (later Visit. arms).

He is called kt. in a deed of John le Viscount (II); between the years 1236-44 J. le V. (III) gave him $\frac{1}{2}$ part of Earl (in Wooler) and $\frac{1}{2}$ of Newton by the Sea. The name is from Hebburn in Chillingham, he was s. and h. of Adam of Hebburn. (NCH II and XIV; RND; *Visits. of Northd.* Ed. Forster.)

WILLIAM OF HETON.



Vert a lion rampant and a border engrailed argent. (J., later seals, NCH XIV.)

He held Heton in Northumberland by the service of $\frac{1}{2}$ a knight's fee in 1208-10. Probably ancestor of the Hetons of Chillingham but nothing found about him. (BF, JH III, iii; AA XIV.)

INGRAM OF HULECOTE.

He held half of the towns of Ancroft, Felkington and Allerdene by the service of half a knight's fee, at the Inquest of 1208-10. Nothing more has been found. Possibly he was a relative of Philip of Ulcote John's sheriff of Northumberland. (See RND, p. 247.)

MICHAEL KILLUM (Kilham).

Arms unknown. As kt. he witnessed a charter of Sir Nicholas Corbet c. 1280, he was s. and h. of Thomas K. by his wife Beatrice dau. of Michael of Ryal, suc. his father c. 1242, mar. Idonea, witness to a deed of John of Widdrington c. 1270, in 1284 granted free warren in his demesne lands at K., made large grants of lands to Kilham priory and gave lands in Paston to his ygr. son William, he was d. before 1290 when his widow claimed lands as dower in Paston. (NCH XI, PR.)

MARTIN LANGTON (Lanton).

In Glendale, par. of Kirknewton, of the barony of Ros in 1242, nothing found except that he was one of the four kts. of Northumberland appointed to enquire into the alleged illness of earl David c. 1200. (CDS.)

JOHN DE LA LEY.

As kt. he witnessed with Ralf and Robert Lucker a deed of Ralf of Gaugy c. 1270. I can find no other reference to him.

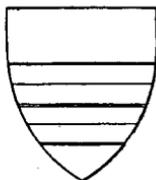
WILLIAM OF LILBURN.



Argent three bougets sable. (Po.)

As kt. he witnessed a deed of John of Widdrington of c. 1270. For further account of him see N/C Proc.⁴, Vol. XI, p. 399.

HENRY MANERS.



Or two bars azure and a chief gules. (Po.)

He does not appear in the Maners' pedigree in NCH XI. He was one of four kts. of Northumberland who c. 1200 was sent to see if earl David (of Huntingdon) was ill and unable to travel, he and his wife Isabel made various gifts of land to Kirkham priory, in 1234 Thomas of Kilham confirmed gift made by Henry and his wife. (CDS, NCH XI.)

ROGER MERLAY (III).

(Azure) three flying 'merles' (or). (Seal DS, 1759.)

S. and h. of Roger M. II (see *ante*, p. 21) by his first wife Ada, he paid £100 for his relief and suc. to his lands in 1239; in 1242 he paid a fine of 50 mks. to be excused going to the wars in Gascony with the king; summd. in 1244 to go with the king agst. the Scots, a dispute that was settled peacefully by earl Richard. In 1247-63 had a plea with earl Patrick concerning the services due from him for lands he held from the earl; in 1258 summoned to go with his horses and men to the king at Chester for the war against the Welsh under Llewelyn; in 1257 was granted a charter to hold a market and fair at Netherwitton; in 1258 to go with his forces to Scotland to assist the king's son-in-law Alexander of Scotland against his rebellious

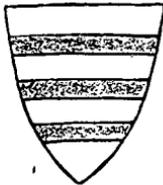
barons; he was on the king's side in the civil war which ended at Lewes in 1264; d. 1266, buried in Newminster abbey. (CDS I; JH II, i.)

JOHN SON OF MICHAEL.

Per pale . . . a chevron interlaced by a chevron reversed.
D.M. cat. 9747 (plate II, no 2).

As kt. he was a surety for Sir Robert Tailboys in 1278, nothing more found but he was probably a son of Michael of Ryal (in Whittingham) whose wife was Alice dau. and coh. of William Flamaville in whose right Michael held part of the vills of Whittingham, Glanton &c in 1212. (BF, NCH XIV.)

WILLIAM MUSCAMP.



Or three bars gules. (G.)

In a survey of the lands of late Robert M. in 1254, William M. holds a fourth part of a kt.'s fee, Mar. 1255 one of the kts. to enquire into the lands held by Isabel Ford in chief, the report then made was acted upon April 1255; 1302 William M., for Sir Walter Huntercombe, to find 10 men-at-arms to make forays from Berwick, in 1303 as kt. of Walter Huntercombe received wages of 2 shillings a day for himself and 1 shilling a day for nine esquires of Walter's retinue whilst guarding five thousand mks. sent from York to Scotland, as kt. witnesses a charter of 1303. (CDS, AA⁴.)

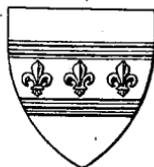
MATILDA (MAUD) OF MUSCAMP.

Held the town of Ross in dower as half a knight's fee in 1208. She was the widow of Robert of Muscamp who died in 1191. In the same year she paid 500 mks. and five palfreys not to be compelled to marry. (AA XIV; NCH XI; BF, CDS.)

ROBERT NEWEHAM.

No arms nor seals known. Newham is in Bamburgh par., part of the barony of Vesci and held in the thirteenth century by the family of Valoignes. In 1220 Robert was one of four kts. ordered to inspect and report upon a work on Tyne bridge set up by the bishop of Durham, 1237 surveys the castle of Newcastle and by his report the sheriff orders repairs to be done there, 1234 as result of his survey repairs are ordered to Tyne bridge. (CDS I; NRC VII.)

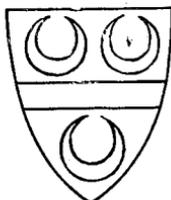
GUY NORMANVILLE.



(Argent) on a fess doubly cotised (gules) three fleurs-de-lis (argent). (J. and seal of John N. SND, 600A.)

He was of that family who, from the early thirteenth century, held lands in Stamfordham and the only one, so far as found, who was a kt., as kt. he witnessed a charter in 1270 of Gilbert of Umfraville, in 1269 the sheriff accounts for 100/- from him to the New Oblation, in 1275 Christine widow of Thomas Fenwick claimed dower from him in Ouston, he was suc. by his s. and h. John, c. 1325 the heirs of John N. held of the barony of Baliol, Stamfordham, Ulkiston, Nesbit and half of Dalton as one kt.'s fee, in 1310 Robert Stuteville and Eleanor his wife held land in Stocksfield granted by John N. In 1242 John of N. held Stamfordham, Ulkeston, Nesbit and half of Dalton of John Balliol, as 1 kt.'s fee, o.f. (NCH XII, CDS, HN.)

GILBERT OF OGLE.



Argent a fess between three crescents gules. (J.)

In 1165 held 1 kt.'s fee from Walter s. of William of barony of Whalton. He was s. and h. of Humphrey O. by his wife Isabel. c. 1175-80 he witnessed a grant of above Walter of the town of Gosforth to Robert del Isle, a few years later he witnessed a deed concerning Milburne, Roger Glanville being sheriff (1184-98). He also witnessed letters of above Walter as to a duel fought at Welton between William Tascha and Bertram Widdrington of which Odinel of Umfraville had been judge. (BB; JH II, i, 381; NRC VII.)

JOHN SON OF ODARD.

Younger s. of Odard of Bamburgh sheriff of the county 1121, he was also called John le Viscount, received Embleton from Henry I, he witnessed a deed of Robert Umfraville c. 1185, paid scutage in 1196 to be excused from going to Normandy, died c. 1203. (BB; JH III, iii, 304, and Pipe roll *ibid.*; NCH II, 13-14; NRC VII.)

ADAM OF PERINGTON.

In 1242 he held Ellington, Cresswell and Hayden as 1 kt.'s fee o.f. of John of Balliol; at the partition of the lands of Hugh of Balliol in 1271 they were held by the heir of Adam P. who had

died in 1266. According to the pedigree in Hodgson his heir was his dau. Isabel who married firstly William of Vesci and secondly Robert of Welles. (BF, CDS I, JH II, ii, 196.)

JOHN ROSELES.



. . . *a lion rampant* . . . (DS, 2116-17.)

Derived from the lion of Bruce of Skelton. He was probably of the family of the name who from early times held under the family of Brus. in the North Riding. In 1265 John was ordered to cede the castle, manor and wapentake of Pickering. In 1283 held 1 kt.'s fee at Harleston and Great Heyford Northants, mar. Beatrice dau. and coh. of Hugh Morwick who was 11 years old in 1269, in 1277 he and his wife came to an agreement with her sister Sibyl and her husband Sir Roger Lumley as to their inheritance and also as to lands in West Chevington $\frac{1}{2}$ of which were the share of Beatrice, in 1282 offers with Roger Lumley service of two parts of a kt.'s fee in Shilvington against the Welsh, keeper of the peace in Northants 1287, order to replevy him and his wife Beatrice in their lands at Colsway-Hoton Feb. 1292. (PW, HS, CR, NCH V, SS, 89.)

JORDAN RIDEL.



. . . *barry warry and a chief* . . . (Seal DS, 2085, AD, 1230.)

He held the manor of Tillmouth in Northhamshire of the bishop of Durham as half a knight's fee. He was living in 1230 when he was excommunicated for refusing to pay tithes due on his mill, suc. by his son Robert. The family continued at Tillmouth till the death in 1325 of Sir William Ridel when his lands were divided among his three daughters, Tillmouth going to Alan of Clavinger the husband of his eldest dau. Isabel. (BF, RND, DS.)

RALF SON OF ROGER.



Vair on a chief gules a cross paty argent. (DS and St. Geo.)

The cross on the chief is that of his overlord John of Vesci; in 1254 and 1266 overlord of Ryhil (Ryal) Northumberland, 1276 as kt. is witness to a deed, sumd. to serve agst. Welsh in 1277 and 1282, acknowledges one kt.'s fee in

Northumberland, 1289 holds Charlton and Edderstone, Northumberland as 1 kt.'s fee late of John of Vesci, 1292 the sheriff of Northumberland ordered to mark the boundary between his land and that of Sir Roger son of Ralf of Ditchburn, 1295 gave William Vesci his mills at No. Charlton of which place he is at the head of the subsidy roll of 1296, probably d. shortly thereafter. (PW, HS, CR, NCH II.)

ROGER SON OF RALF.

No arms nor seals known, s. of Ralf fitz Roger, his wife was Joan and he left a bro. h. Richard who had livery of his lands 15 Sept. 1314. Roger was constable of Bamburgh castle before 1278, and in 1292 was overlord of lands valued at £20 9s. 8d. at Great Ryal, Northumberland, 20 July 1292 the sheriff of Northumberland was ordered to mark the bounds bet. his lands and those of Ralf son of Roger at Ditchburn, 1296 holds lands in Ponteland late of the earl of Pembroke, d. before 9 Aug. 1314 holding manors of Ditchburn West, Great Ryal and a moiety of the manors of Cartington, No. Charlton and Togsden, Northumberland. North Charlton was part of the Vescey barony of Alnwick held by 1 kt.'s fee. (CR, FR, HS, NCH II.)

NICHOLAS SON OF ROGER.



Quarterly (or and gules) a baston (sable). (SBM; pl. II, no. 7.)

The charges on his seal shew that he was a son of Roger lord of Warkworth, he does not appear in Northumberland history but he may have been the Nicholas who in 1242 held $\frac{1}{2}$ a kt.'s fee in Hinningham Lincolns of Norman Darcy, the other $\frac{1}{2}$ was held by Richard Percy, no more has been found. (BM. Cat., BF.)

NICHOLAS SOULES.



Barry argent and sable. (Arm. Gelre.)

Seal of John S. barry of six and a baston (pl. II, no. 9). Nich. S. (the Competitor) sealed with barry of six (Bain II, iii, 102).

The connection of these with the above Nicholas is unknown, Nicholas held lands in Stamfordham before 1244, on 13 Aug. 1244 the sheriff of Northumberland was ordered to give seizen of lands in Stamfordham and "Stokesfeud" to Nicholas and his wife Annora which had been taken into the king's lands by an inquisition made "of the lands of the Normans"; Nov. 1244 he was

a liege man of Alexander of Scotland and one of his jurors who swore that Alex. would keep the peace of his liege lord Henry III, as sheriff of Roxburgh in 1246 ordered with other Scots kts. to meet English kts. to perambulate the Border, in 1248 he was impleaded for debt in Cumberland. Nov. 1249 Nicholas complained that an injury had been done to him agst. Border law and states that he could not be impleaded elsewhere than at the March for deeds done to his men whether in England or Scotland, a commission of kts. app. found that he had been injured and could not be proceeded agst. elsewhere than at the March according to the custom of the Marches. Nov. 1249 Nicholas was accused of larceny by a Robert of Gresshope, committed in England on this side of the Scots. March, the sheriff and coroners ordered to take with them such kts. and freemen as they see fit, to go to the "usual place" and to do justice according to the custom of the March, June 1251 the king repledged to Nicholas his lands in Northumberland which the king had taken into his lands, on condition that N. abides justice when and where he ought for transgressions alleged agst. him, in 1253 men of Nicholas S. in Stamfordham owe 15/- callage. The connection of this Nicholas with his namesake the competitor for the Scottish throne a generation later has not been found. The competitor claimed as grandson of Margery dau. of Alexander II. In 1271 the Stamfordham lands belonged to a William S. and later to William and John S. (CDS I, NCH XII.)

ROBERT SOMERVILLE.



He was one of the kts. of Northumberland distrained for knighthood in 1278 and a short note of his life is given in AA⁴ XXVII, p. 126. I have included him here for armorial reasons. His seal of c. 1290 shews only three spread eagles blasoned *azure three spread eagles or*. The legend reads *sigillum Roberti de Somerville militis* (N/C Record, ser. VII, p. 68). The seal of Philip S. shews the field of the shield powdered with *crosses crosslet fitchy*. His brother (?) Roger S. entirely changed his armorials to *barry argent and gules and a border azure charged with eight merles or*. The border bearing the canting arms of Merlay (p. 14).

ROBERT STUTEVILLE.



Barry (arg. and gules) a lion rampant (sable).
Seal of John Stuteville called a kt. of Northumberland, c. 1280. (BMC 13,715.) Blasoned in St. Geo. roll for Robert. (Seal pl. II, no. 1.)

S. and h. of John S., had relief for his lands 1275, summd. agst. Welsh 1277 and 1282, agst. Scots 1291 and again 1297-98, aged 30 and heir to his brother William 1282, mar. c. 1280 Eleanor Genevre widow of Alexander Baliol, in 1282 R. and E. nominate attorneys going overseas and again later, they were overlords of Hecham manor Northumberland 1290, overlords of Framlington 1293, of Acton and Bockenfield 1296, held $\frac{1}{3}$ of barony of Bywell as dower of his wife E., d. at Mitford castle 14 April 1306, holding in right of his wife $\frac{2}{3}$ of Felton, Mitford castle and 3 other kts. fees jointly with her, his wife E. died 7 Sept. 1310, suc. by his s. and h. John. (JH, CDS, HS, NCH.)

WALTER OF SWEETHOPE.

No arms are known. He was under age in 1231, steward to Gilbert Umfraville, earl of Angus, in 1260 had a lease of the manor of Thockrington from Archb. Gifford, April 1268 at the request of Margaret queen of Scotland the king granted him for life, freedom from all offices agst. his will, 1275 as kt. appointed a justice of gaol delivery at Hexham by Archb. Gifford, styled kt. in 1271, in 1242 held a caracute of land in Ingoe for 1/10th part of a kt.'s fee, Oct. 1275 complains that Gilbert of Umfraville had imprisoned him in the castle of Harbottle, pulled down his house at "Doctrees" and drove off his cattle and now he has scarcely enough left to feed his family, the king commands an enquiry to be made according to law, Jan. 1279 accused with others of abducting Dionysia Bechefield and trying to compel her to marry Walter's son Richard. (BF, CDS I and II, NCH IV.)

RICHARD OF SWEETHOPE.

No arms known. Mentioned in 1279 as younger s. of above Walter S., in 1291-92 he was constable and keeper of the castle of Aboyne in Aberdeens. 5 Sept. 1291 gives receipt for £13 6s. 8d. expenses of self and garrison for 40 days. Nov. 1291 receives $\frac{1}{2}$ mk. a day for keeping that castle, 11 Jun. 1292 called "castellan" of Aboyne and receives 40 mks. pay. No further mention of him. (CDS, NCH IV.)

JOHN SWINBURNE.



(*Argent*) on a cross (*gules*) five sheaves (*or*).
(Seal of 1312 DS, 2363.)

S. and h. of Richard S. of East Swinburne, mar. Avice, in 1277 had grant of free warren in his manors of Bewcastle and East S. Sheriff of Cumberland 1278, in 1268 the king at the request of his dau. Margaret queen of Scotland grants John S. freedom for life from all assizes, juries, &c, in 1270 he granted lands to Balliol college, Oxford, in 1279 envoy for Alexander III, 1289 his pension of 10 mks. a year from late king of Scotland paid, keeper of bishopric of St. Andrews and of the earldom of Fife 1295, in 1306 commanded to take 12 stags in Tyndale Chase for the king's household, in 1294 assessor and collector of 1/10 granted by Parl., 1298 levies made by him in Northumberland to assemble under Walter Huntercombe, in 1300 ordered to enforce muster of men made in Northumberland, commisr. of array in Northumberland in 1292 and 1300, in 1299 protection going to Scotland with Robert son of Roger, conservator of the peace in Northumberland 1307, commisr. for Statue of Winchester and forestalling 1308-10, 1309 ordered to defend his demesnes in the Marches, 1311 Roger Heron to have reversion of Grendon Manor on death of John S., d. before 14 March 1313, bur. in Chollerton church with his wife Avice. (BF, PW, CDS, HS, PR, NCH IV and XV.)

NICHOLAS SWINBURNE.

His arms are unknown, he was a younger s. of John of West Swinburne whom he suc. after the death of his elder bro. Robert before 1278, as kt. he witnessed a charter of Phillip Broxfield c. 1278, in April of the same year he founded a chantry at the altar of St. Mary in his chapel of Our Lady at West Swinburne, the charter confirmed by his own seal and that of his brother William is printed JH II, i, 213 n., no description of his seal is there given, he d. before September 1279 leaving three daus. his coh. (NCH II and IV, JH II, i.)

WILLIAM SON OF SIWARD.

In 1166 he held the vills of Gosforth and Middleton by one kt.'s fee. He was s. of Siward lord of Gosforth and Middleton in Teesdale, d. c. 1174, suc. by his son Ralph s. of William Surtees. (BB; JH III, iii, 303; NCH XIII, 346.)

RALF OF ST. PETER.

Held 2 kts.' fees o.f. from Roger Bertram of the barony of Mitford, these were the manor of Pigdon and the townships of Edington in Mitford parish and that of Berwick in Ponteland, about 1240 these were held by the heirs of Walter St. Peter as 2 kts.' fees o.f. Ralf appears as witness to a deed of Roger Bertram (I) and also to a grant of Walter s. of William to Roger Bertram (I). (Blk. Bk; JH II, ii, 81; NRC VII.)

INGRAM UMFRAVILLE

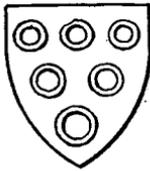


Gules an orle ermine and a label of five points azure. (F.) His seal (pl. II, no. 3) shews only three points. The arms are those of Ingram Balliol differenced by the label. Ingram U. was a younger s. of Robert U. lord of Chollerton a younger bro. of Gilbert U. (I). His wife was dau. and h. of Ingram Balliol a bro. of John B. lord of Bywell and Barnard Castle who d. 1268.

He held lands in Ayrshire. In 1279 Alexander of Scotland wrote to Edward I asking him to shew favour to Ingram U. who is petitioning for the lands of his late father Robert U. Alexander prince of Scotland also writes to Edward to the same effect. In 1287 the Guardians of Scotland order the Chamberlain to pay Ingram U. his yearly fee, upon giving receipt for 20 mks. at Ayr; he attests the homage of king John (Balliol) done to Edward I at Norham; 1296 he does homage to Edward as of Ayrshire, in the same year he delivered the castle of Dumbarton to James the steward on behalf of the king and his Ayrshire lands are restored to him. After this he became a rebel to Edward I and all his lands were forfeited and granted to Sir Henry Percy (Feb. 1299) including those of Ingram Balliol, deceased, which should descend by hereditary right to Ingram U. In Aug. 1299 he with others invaded Selkirk forest; is made sheriff of Roxburghshire with a strong force to raid the English Marches. In 1301 he attacked the castle of Lochmaben and in 1302 was a Scottish ambassador to France. In Oct. 1304 he made peace with Edward and the chancellor of Scotland is ordered by Edward I to restore his Scottish lands to him a late rebel, but not to include the lands of the late Ingram Balliol now in the possession of Sir Henry Percy. Similar writs were sent to the sheriff of Notts and Northumberland on Ingram's behalf. May 1307 he was with Sir William Felton as castellan of Cumnock castle; July 1307 at Dumfries with Sir Alexander Balliol and later in that year in garrison at Ayr with other knights.

In 1308 he was thanked for his loyalty by Edward II, June 1308 joint warden of the West Marches, Sept. 1309 Constable of the castle of Caerlaverock, Dec. 1312 attends parliament on Scottish business, July 1314 taken prisoner at Bannockburn and sends Sir William Umfraville with two other knights to France in quest of money for his ransom; Edward ordered his lands and goods to be protected, 20, Apl. 1320 escaped from Scotland, he never had left his allegiance and received back his English lands, 1321 he is called a banneret of Scotland and going beyond the seas receives presents from Ed. II. (CDS II and III; JH II, i; NCH VI.)

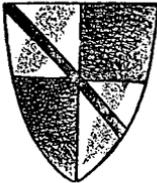
NICHOLAS VIPONT.



Or six annulets gules. (N.)

As kt. and bailiff of Tyndale he witnessed a deed of c. 1275; July 1282 receives grant of manor of Alston from Alexander II in fee simple, 1278-79 he and his son are accused of encroaching on mines at Alston, 6 Jan. 1293 justices ordered to restore manor of Alston to him to be held as formerly, he was d. 2 Aug. 1314 leaving s. and h. Robert. (CDS II, HS, N and D VII.)

BERTRAM OF WIDDRINGTON.



Quarterly argent and gules a baston sable. (Po.)

Held 1 kt.'s fee of Walter son of William of Whalton barony. Before A.D. 1162 he was granted by Walter s. of Will. the vill of Widdrington and one half of Burradon to be held by the service of one kt. (NRC VII, p. 225; JH II, ii, 248.) He was s. and h. of John W., suc. by his s. Geoffrey who occurs as witness c. 1182-1203, his brother was Gerard. He fought a duel with Wm. Tascha at Welton. (NRC VII, 226; CDS.)



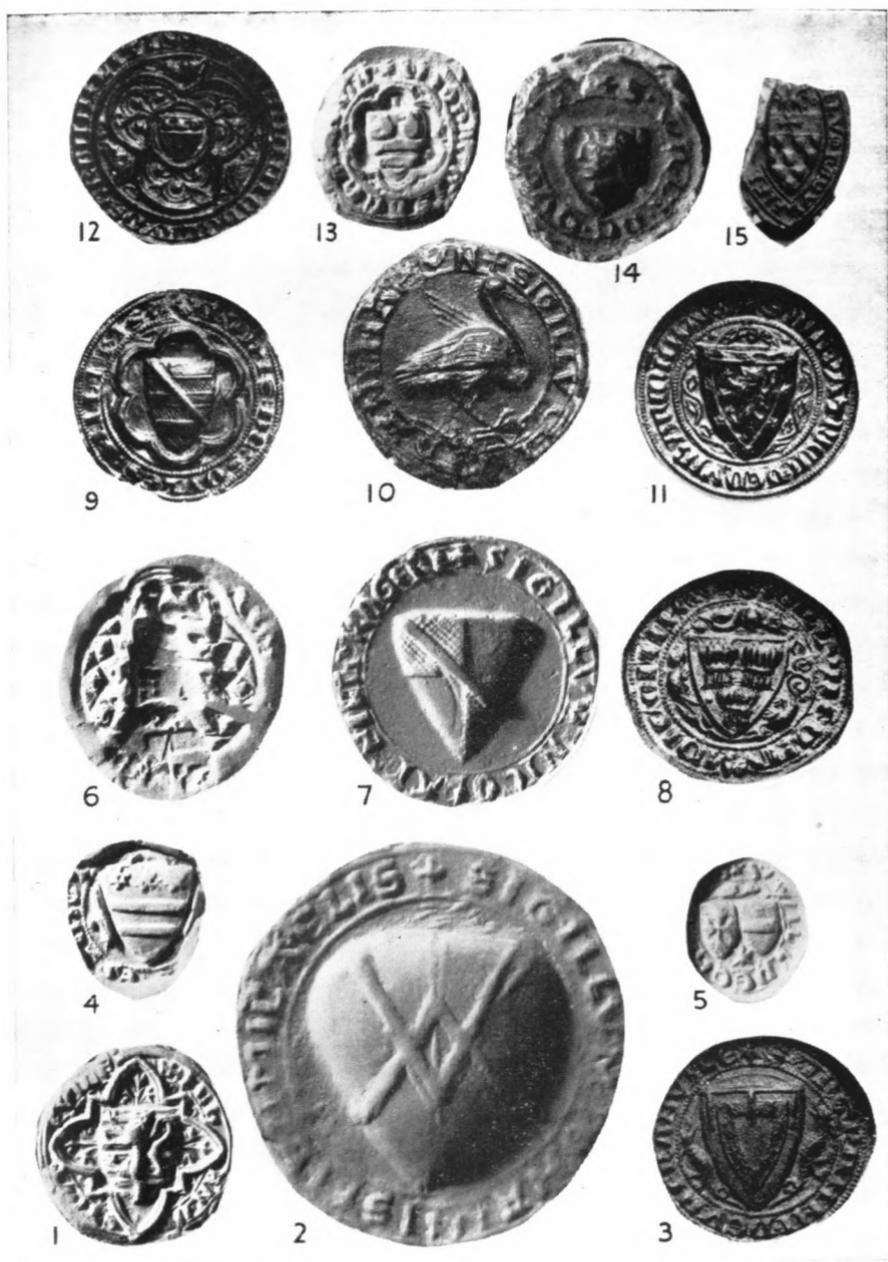
WILLIAM "LONGESPÉE", EARL OF SALISBURY, d. 1226.
From Stothard's *Monumental Effigies*.

PLATE I.

Armour of early thirteenth century.—This effigy lies on the south side of Salisbury cathedral, upon a slab of “Doulting” stone which rests upon “a staging of wooden arcading”. It is clothed in mail from head to toe. The body in a hauberk, with long sleeves and gloves, which is divided at the waist to cover the legs to the knees below which the legs and feet are covered in mail stockings, prick spurs are on the heels. The head, neck and chin are also covered in mail fastened by a threaded fillet around the head. A loose surcoat of linen is worn over the mail girt by a leather belt at the waist. A long, heavy sword hangs at the left side and upon the left arm is a rather large shield convex to the body, charged with six ramping lions—*d'azure a siz leonceux rampans dor.*

KEY TO PLATE II

1. JOHN OF STOUTEVILE. BM 13,715; c. 1280.
Barry of twelve (arg. and gules, a lion rampant. (sa.).
S' JEHAN. DE. STOUTEVILE.
2. JOHN SON OF MICHAEL. BM 9747.
Per pale a chevron reversed above a chevron.
SIGILLUM. IOHANNIS. FILII. MICAELIS.
3. INGRAM OF UMFRAVILLE. CDS II, pl. V, no. 4.
(gules) an orle ermine and a label of three points (?azure).
S' INGRAMMI. DE UNFRANVILLE.
4. ROBERT OF ESLINGTON. A.D. 1323; BM 9512.
(argent) two bars and in chief three molets (azure).
..... ESLINGT
5. WILLIAM OF CHARTRES. A.D. 1314; BM 8497.
Two shields of arms side by side, dexter (gules) a cross patonce
(argent)—Vesci; sinister (argent) a fess (azure)—Chartres.
S' WILLI. DE. CHARTRIS.
6. ROBERT OF HERLE. A.D. 1355; BM 10,651.
Shield couched (gules) a chevron between three shovellers
(argent) crest on a mantled helm a shoveller.
Legend destroyed.
7. NICHOLAS SON OF ROGER. BM 9757.
quarterly (or and gules) a baston (sable).
SIGILLUM: NICOLAI: FILII: ROGERI.
8. EDMUND COMYN. CDS II, pl. I, no. 10.
(gules) three garbs (or).
SIGILLUM. EDMUNDI. COMIN.
9. JOHN OF SOULES. CDS II, pl. III, no. 6.
barry of six (arg. and sa.) a baston.
S' IOHIS. DE. SOULES. MILITIS.
10. RALPH HERON. DS, no. 1276.
a heron device.
SIGILLUM. RADULFI. HAIRUN.
11. PATRICK OF DUNBAR, Earl of March. CDS, pl. II, no. 10.
(Gules) a lion rampant, in a border (argent) charged with
roses (gules).
S'DNI. PATRICII. DE. DUNBAR. COM'MARC'.
12. NICHOLAS OF GRAHAM. CDS II, pl. IV, no. 12.
(argent) on a chief (sable) three escallops (argent).
S' DOMINI NICHOLAV. DE GRAM MILITIS.
13. JOHN OF HALTON. BM 10,417.
(argent) two bars and in chief two escallops (azure).
S' IOHANNIS. DE. HAL ON.
14. WILLIAM OF DOUGLAS. SND 229, c. 1270.
A man's head coupé at neck.
S' WILLI. DE. DUGLAS.
15. RALF SON OF ROGER. DS 2109; A.D. 1266.
Vair on a chief (argent) a cross paty (gules).
..... LLUM. RADULFI



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