

The Sucklings' House at Norwich.

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Since my paper on "The Sucklings' House at Norwich" was published in the Society's papers (vol. xix., part iii., p. 197) I have had the privilege of a correspondence with Mrs. F. H. Suckling, of Highwood, Romsey, Hampshire, to whom I am greatly indebted for much further information concerning the Suckling family. Of their earlier house in the parish of St. Simon and St. Jude, Norwich, I am not qualified to speak, not having studied the history of that parish.

This paper is again confined to their more important mansion in St. Andrew's.

Robert Suckling was born in 1520. His name appears as churchwarden of St. Andrew's in the Certificate of the Church Goods of the parish, 6 Edward VI.

By his will, proved 24th October, 1590 [P.C.C. 70, Drury], he left, "To John Sucklinge my sonne all that my capitall messuage in the parish of St. Andrewe in Norwich wherein I nowe dwell together with all the tenement thereunto adjoyninge which messuage and tenement I bought of William Necton of London gent."¹ His

¹ By will dated 29th November, 1552, Thomas Necton, Citizen and Alderman, left to Anne, his wife, all that his head messuage and a tenement lying in St. Andrew's.



ROBERT SUCKLING, M.P., died 1589.

Painted in 1583.



MONUMENT TO ROBERT SUCKLING,
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, NORWICH.

wife was to have one moiety of his head messuage to dwell in for the space of one year after his death. He also gave to his son John the unexpired lease of the tenement which he held of the Mayor, &c., on the south side of his said messuage.

Christopher Barrett, junior, to whom John Suckling sold the mansion in 1595, was stepson to Robert Suckling, whose second wife, Margaret (née Pettingall) had been successively the wife of William Wingfield, William Barrett and Richard Head. She married Robert Suckling in 1569 and died in 1576. Her son, Christopher Barrett, was born in 1562. Robert Suckling married his third wife, Joan (née Cardinall), widow of Robert Vesey, in 1577, and their son, Charles Suckling, of Woodton, was born here in 1578.

I stated in my former paper that the sale of the mansion by John Suckling to Christopher Barrett, junior, in 1595, appears to have terminated the residential connection of the Sucklings with St. Andrew's, but one member of the family still lived in the parish. This was Anne, daughter of Robert Suckling, by Elizabeth (Barwick), his first wife. She married, first, Edward Johnson,² Mercer, of St. Andrew's Parish, Alderman, and Sheriff in 1583, who died in 1589; and secondly, in 1593, at Cringleford, Thomas Layer, Grocer, Alderman, Sheriff in 1567, Mayor in 1576, 1585 and 1595, and Burgess in Parliament 28 Eliz. He died in 1614, and she in 1626. Their house in St. Andrew's Street still exists, and on its west side it adjoins Harmer's Factory. The front part is greatly altered and divided into two tenements, but part of the back is very ancient. Kirkpatrick says it

² Edward Johnson was admitted to the Freedom on Friday, May 31st, 9 Eliz. [1567]. "Edward Johnsons (*sic*) Merser apprentys (*sic*) cñ Robto Suckelyng." [Assembly Book.] Was he afterwards in partnership with Robert Suckling?

was the scene of the murder of Mr. Bedingfield by Mr. Thomas Berney in 1684. It was then owned by Mr. Robert Watts. Kirkpatrick also says that he dwelt in it. I suppose he means that he was here in business with Mr. John Custance, as I do not find him mentioned in the Land-Tax papers. The ancient drain called the Cockey was in the street in front of this house, and Kirkpatrick says it passed by its east side; it still exists there (in Stamp Office Yard), and I have seen a portion of its arched covering and side masonry. Mr. Ewing, in his *Norwich Merchant Marks*, gives an extract from Kirkpatrick's MS. concerning this messuage which I have not met with: "A house in St. Andrew's Street, on the North side, opposite the cockey, 2 ancient columns³ at the gate, upon the top of each of them a unicorn holding a shield, one painted with erm. on a chief sable, an annulet between 2 billets, or. This is Watts. But there has been Layer's arms carved formerly upon the same escocheon. In the dining-room of the said house there is carved above the chimney-piece, an unicorn betw. 3 cross crosslets. Layer." Kirkpatrick also says on a scrap of paper, which I have seen: "House in St Andrewes pish wherin I dwell being on y^e North side of y^e Great Street & opposite to y^e Cockey now Mr Watts's upon y^e Wainscot above y^e Chimney of y^e dining room are 3 Escoch. cut. 1. Layer viz p Pale an unicorn currant between 3 Cross Croslets. 2 An Achievmt Quarterly 1 & 4 Layer 2 & 3^d on a bend 3 Catherine Wheels.⁴ Crest on a coronet an Unicorns head couped 3 Layer.⁵ The sd. 2^d Escoch. was carvd on an Escoccheon upon one

³ Magistrates' posts. Henry Watts, senior, in 1646, and Henry Watts, junior, in 1674, kept their mayoralties in this house.

⁴ Buttevant.

⁵ At the Gladstone Club-house in St. Giles' Street is a fine Jacobean mantelpiece with Layer quartering Buttevant. Above these arms a cross-crosslet.

of y^e antiq square posts at y^e Gate held by an unicorn sitting upon y^e Capital on y^e top of y^e other y^e City Arms held by another Unicorn."

Mary, another of Robert Suckling's daughters by his first wife, married John Hassall, of St. Peter's, Cornhill, London, and was the mother of John Hassall, who succeeded Edmund Suckling as Dean of Norwich in 1628.

It has been regretted that while Horatio Viscount Nelson was at the Norwich Grammar School there seems to be no house in Norwich in connection with which he can be specially identified, but in "The Nelson Centenary"—a pamphlet published in 1905—written by Mrs. F. H. Suckling, under the pseudonym of "Thomas Foley," it is said, "When William and Horatio first went to school at Norwich does not appear, but as Mrs. Nelson's aunt, Mrs. Henley, was living in that town and able to supervise the boys, and also Woodton-hall being not far off for small holidays, a Norwich school was to be desired." Sarah Henly died June 28th, 1770, aged 93, and she and her daughters, Lucy and Mary, who died respectively in 1793 and 1796, lie buried under a stone in St. Andrew's Church against the Suckling monuments. I found from the "Norwich Mercury" of Saturday, June 30th, 1770, that Mrs. Henley, relict of Captain Henley and daughter of Robert Suckling, Esq., of Woodton in Norfolk, died "at her House in St. Andrew's."

This leaves the situation of the house indeterminate, but I also found an advertisement in the "Mercury" of Saturday, March 30th, 1771, which fixes it with fair precision. In this advertisement, dated Norwich, March 27th, 1771, Thomas Cocking, Staymaker, announces that he has removed from his house in St. Peter's of Mancroft "to the House of the late Mrs. Henley, near

the Chancel End of St. Andrew's Church." I think it a most probable conjecture, therefore, that Horatio Nelson's great-aunt, Mrs. Henly, rented part of the site of the Sucklings' mansion, and very possibly the brick Georgian house, which then would have been only recently built. "Mrs. Henley" appears in the Window Tax for St. Andrew's in 1766-7, but in the Window Tax for 1753 it is "Mary Hanley," and in 1760 "Mary Henley." There is, apparently, some clerical error in the Christian name. I cannot see how any other site but this can well agree with Thomas Cocking's advertisement, and it is a fair assumption that William and Horatio Nelson would at least be familiar visitors at their great-aunt's house in St. Andrew's while they were at the Norwich Grammar School. They may have been sent to Norwich in 1768, upon their mother's death in December, 1767, and, if so, as they were at school at North Walsham in 1769, their stay in the City could not have been a very long one.

In the possession of the family at Highwood, Romsey, is a portrait of Robert Suckling, painted on panel in 1583, with the date and his age on it, and a portrait of Sir John Suckling the elder, on canvas.

In the Addl. MSS. at the British Museum are fifteen (unpublished) volumes of MSS. and drawings by the Rev. A. I. Suckling. He gives a copy of an inventory of the contents of the mansion in St. Andrew's, taken on December 9th, 1589. [Add. 18,480, vol. v., f. 73.] Mrs. F. H. Suckling has very kindly had it copied for the purposes of this paper, but I was very desirous that, if possible, the original inventory might be found, and Mrs. Suckling caused search to be made for it at Somerset House, but the search was without success, as was also another made amongst family papers at Highwood. Mr. F. Johnson has since found in the "Catalogue of the



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Dunelmensis &c*

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JOHN COSIN, BISHOP OF DURHAM.

Manuscript Library of the late Dawson Turner, Esq.," sold by Messrs. Puttick & Simpson, on Monday, June 6th, 1859, and four following days, this item, page 140:—

"Lot 330. NORFOLK: Deeds & papers of different kinds, as well original as transcripts, relating to the County of Norfolk; *half morocco*, folio, 1218—1842."

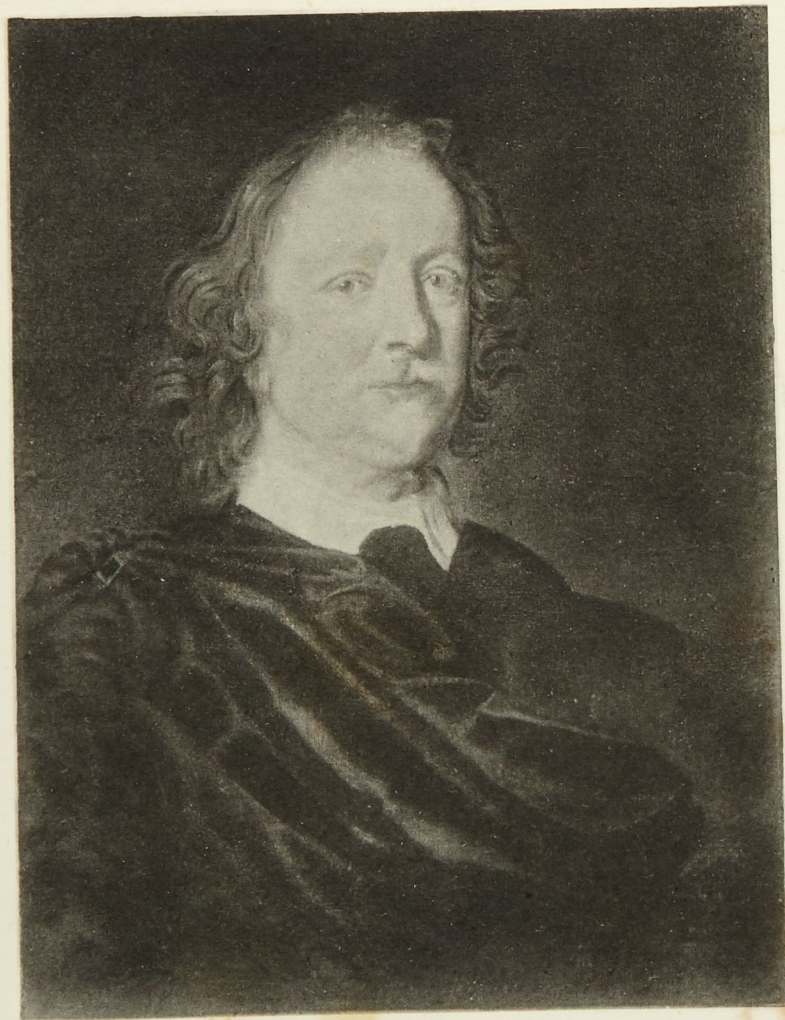
The contents of this volume were arranged under about eight different headings, of which No. 6 is "Memoranda regarding the Suckling Family, containing their Pedigree, an Inventory of the Property of Robert Suckling, 1589, a Memoir of Sir John Suckling the poet, and a Roll of Swan Marks." This Inventory may possibly have been the original one, but the term "Memoranda" hardly suggests it. Enquiries concerning it have, at present, had no result.

There are some discrepancies in the copy between the amounts as given with the items and the totals, and these I have noted, but as the original inventory is not available I cannot correct any errors. There are one or two obscurities, but the inventory does not present any special difficulties. The Rev. A. I. Suckling seems to have modernised his copy to some extent. The books are certainly not numerous, but interesting, as they indicate that Robert Suckling was a staunch Protestant, and shared the Puritan and Calvinistic views characteristic of St. Andrew's in his time and for long afterwards. His son Robert became a Romanist, and evidently lost his father's favour. Curiously enough, Bishop Cosin disinherited his only son for a like offence.⁶

The importance of the inventory for the purposes of this paper, however, lies chiefly in its enumeration of the rooms in the house; but it is impossible now to reconstruct it in imagination with any degree of certainty.

⁶ For Bishop Cosin's connection with the Sucklings' House see my former paper, vol. xix., part iii., p. 212.

The erection of the red brick Georgian house, still partly standing, and of the house lately adjoining the "City Arms" public-house on its east side (both of which last named houses are now completely gone), as well as the building of the house now standing against the east end of the great hall, and the changes made at the late "Flint House" tavern, have quite destroyed all possibility of now determining the relative positions of the rooms mentioned in the inventory. There appears to be no evidence of a fireplace in the hall. I thought at one time that the great parlour was probably a division of the great hall, but in view of Kirkpatrick's statement that the great parlour was "a little Northward of the chancel" (that is, of St. Andrew's Church), I think it must have been where the red brick Georgian house now stands and was not a division of the hall itself, which, however, is also just north of the chancel. It had a fireplace, and a buttery next to it. If it had been part of the great hall, divided off and having a hall left between it and the buttery, I cannot see how the latter could be properly described as next to it. If the site marked the "Buttery" in Mr. H. J. Green's plan to my paper became part of the later great parlour, and the arched doorway to it from the hall became the entrance to this parlour, it seems to me there would be plenty of space both for the great parlour and the great gate erected by Robert Suckling to have been where the Georgian brick house now stands. The vaulted bay, lately Mr. George Harman's office, might then very well have been the "buttery next the great parlour." The kitchen and its entry may have occupied the rest of the vaulted bays and have extended into the late "Flint House" tavern, in which there is now nothing of interest. I can only conjecture that the little parlour (with chamber over it) was at the east end of the hall and probably a



SIR JOHN SUCKLING, 1569—1627.
Controller of the Household to James I.
Buried in St. Andrew's Church, Norwich.

division of it. The little parlour had a fireplace. I suppose the counting-house parlour, chamber over it, and warehouse were all where the late "City Arms" and the house east of it stood, and I think that the porch or covered passage connected this—the business part of the premises—with the great hall and rest of the house. There was a gallery next the garden—I suppose to give access to bedrooms. The courtyard is also mentioned. I suppose the great chamber would be over the great parlour—it had a fireplace, and so had the "Seeled"⁷ chamber and the little parlour chamber. But this is nearly all conjectural, and I cannot advance my opinions with any great degree of assurance. The whole place is now (1918) in a state of ruin.

I cannot conclude without referring with very great regret to the death of Mr. H. J. Green, whose plan and notes added so much interest and value to my former paper.

Robert Suckling left to his son John all the "hangings, sealings⁸ and portalls" belonging to his capital messuage in St. Andrew's, and the residue of all his implements and utensils of household stuff belonging to the said messuage was to be "prized" by two or three "indifferent" persons, and one moiety he gave to his son John, and the other to his sons Christopher and Thomas, John to have the option of buying their moiety. This bequest, apparently, was the reason for the making of the inventory.

No plate is mentioned in it, but Robert Suckling had given by his will to his "daughter Glene"⁹ his standing cup with the cover, all gilt, to his wife Joan his flagon and chain of gold, and to his son-in-law Charles Cardinall, his two salts with covers.

⁷ Panelled.

⁸ Wainscoting.

⁹ Maud, wife of Sir Peter Gleane.

The Rev. A. I. Suckling, speaking in his MS. of Robert Suckling, says:—"Shortly after his decease, an inventory was taken of his household effects, which, as it will serve to introduce us into the house of a wealthy man of the 16th century, I shall insert at full length. The price of each separate article being attached renders this curious record more interesting." His copy is as follows:—

A true Inventory of the implem^{ts} and howsehowld Stuff of the late deceased M^r Robert Sucklinge whyles he lyved Citizen and Alderman of Norwich as they were in his mansion howse in the parrishe of St Andrewe in Norwiche taken the 9th daye of December Anno domini 1589 And the same implem^{ts} and howsehowld stuff valewed and prised by Mr Gregorye Houghton Alderman George Birche and Robert Playford as followeth:

In the Hall.

	£	s.	d.
Imprimis: the hanginge	10	0	
Item a carved framed ¹ table with 4 lions	1	10	0
Item one other framed table in the syde of the Hall	10	0	
Item a cownter under the windowe	10	0	
Item 2 candle plates of latten	4	0	
Item 5 candlestickes and the mace	10	0	
Item 2 framed formes	8	0	
Item six cushyns of Turkey worke stuffed with fethers	2	0	0
Item a waynscote chayre	3	4	
Item a wyndowe cushyn imbroydered	16	0	
Item a greene carpett	10	0	
Item one other table	1	4	
Item a lanthorne of glasse	1	0	
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	7	13	8
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¹ A table of which the supporting members are firmly held together by framing—the legs being braced together by massive rails at top and bottom.

In the great Parlor.

	£	s.	d.
Item a framed table with draws	1	0	0
Item one other framed table with leaves	1	0	0
Item 2 longe forms and a short forme	6	0	
Item a lyverye ² table & a frame	5	0	
Item a lyverye cubbord ³	8	0	
Item 1 chayre imbroydered uppon red clothe	1	0	0
Item 1 other chayre of tent ⁴ worke	13	4	
Item 4 womens stooles of tent worke	1	0	0
Item 6 wōens cushyns of tapestrye	1	0	0
Item 4 other cushyns of tent worke and one of needell worke	1	10	0
Item 2 longe windowe cushyns of tent worke	2	0	0
Item 1 carpett of Turkey worke	9	0	0
Item 1 turkey carpett of blew for the side table	2	0	0
Item 1 payre of lattyn cobbeyrens ⁵	4	10	0
Item 1 payre of tongs and a fyre panne typed with latten	5	0	
Item two hanging tables	10	0	
Item 2 cushyns of tente worke	10	0	
Item 2 small iron doggs with knoppes ⁶	2	6	
Item a greene carpett for the carving bord & 1 other for y ^e lyverye table	10	0	
Item 1 foote stoole and a bench clothe	1	0	
Item y ^e hanging in y ^e parlor of greene and redd Saye	1	0	0
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² A side table to serve from.³ A stand with two or three shelves, on which food and drink were placed.⁴ Embroidery or worsted-work with tent-stitch.⁵ A very plain andiron—the upright part small and undecorated.⁶ Knobs.

In the lytle Parlor.

	£	s.	d.
Item a framed table with a forme		16	0
Item 1 payre of Virginalls	1	0	0
Item a lyverye cubbord		8	0
Item 12 Buffytt Stooles ⁷	13	4	
Item 1 waynscote chayre		3	4
Item 1 old carpett of turkey worke		6	8
Item 2 curtayns with curtayne rodde		5	0
Item a candle skreene		1	0
Item 6 turkey cushyns filled with feathers	1	3	0
Item 1 payre of torn ⁸ doggs tongs and a fyer pan		8	0
Item 1 womans chayre of waynscote		1	8
Item 1 ould skreene		1	0
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In the countinge house Parlor.

	£	s.	d.
Item a framed table of waynscote with 2 leaves and a green carpett		1	0 0
Item a case of bords for wrightinge		10	0
Item a cubbord with lock and key		10	0
Item a presse for letters		0	4
Item 1 old chyst to keepe in evidences		2	0
Item 2 Buffett stooles and a deale		3	0
Item a waynscote chayre & a cushyn		5	0
Item a latten squirt		1	8
Item a bytt for a bridell		1	8
Item an old mappe		5	0
Item a looking glasse		6	8
Item a payre of gould wayghtes		2	0
Item a pile of Brasen wayghtes		3	4
Item a small payre of scales		0	6

⁷ A stool with four or three legs.

⁸ An error for iron (?).

	£	s.	d.
Item a lanthorne of glasse	3	4	
Item a lytle barrell of gunpowder	6	0	
Item a table ⁹ with his Arms & a mappe	3	6	
Divers small tooles of iron with other trash	10	0	

[*Error of 1s.]

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In the Kitchen and Larder.

	£	s.	d.
Item a great brasse panne and five other pannes of kettell brass	13	4	
Item 11 brasse potts great & small	3	6	8
Item a lardge copper kettell	1	0	0
Item a lesser copper kettell	13	4	
Item 2 longe kopper kettells	16	8	
Item 6 old kettells of brasse	13	4	
Item a searse ¹ of brasse with y ^e ewers ²	2	0	
Item a searse to drayne fysse	2	0	
Item a catch pann of brasse	2	6	
Item 3 flatt mylk pannes of brasse	5	0	
Item 6 old skilletts ³	2	6	
Item 3 pott leades	1	6	
Item a brasse mortar with a block and an iron pestell	10	0	
Item a lytle old brasse mortar	1	8	
Item a chafynge dishe ⁴ with 3 other old chafynge dishes	3	0	
Item 7 spitts small and great	7	0	
Item a payre of Jacks	1	6	
Item 3 trevetts	1	0	
Item a frying panne	1	0	
Item one old skimmer	0	3	
Item 3 dripping pannes	13	4	

⁹ A picture.¹ A sieve or strainer.² Receptacles to put under the strainer (?).³ A small vessel with handle and legs, for heating water, stewing, &c.⁴ A vessel to hold coals for heating, or dish with such a vessel beneath.

	£	s.	d.
Item 3 peeles, ⁵ 1 of yron	0	6	
Item an old cubbord	1	0	
Item 3 iron hookes and 2 barres	5	0	
Item a Jack to turn the spitt.	5	0	
Item a payre of tongs and a fyer panne	1	8	
Item a lytle payre of iron doggs	1	4	
Item a colerake and an old payre of bellowes	0	8	
Item 3 grydeirons	1	6	
Item a cubbord to keepe flesshe in	6	8	
Item a payre of musterd quernes	5	0	
Item a brasse pott with iron feete	3	4	
Item 3 posnetts ⁶	2	0	
Item a brewinge copper	1	16	0
Item a stoole to chopp flesh on and two old trayes	0	10	
Item a warming panne	2	6	
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[I make total £13 10s. 7d.]	14	12	2
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In the entrye next the Kytchyn.

	s.	d.
Item 15 water bucketts	13	4
Item 2 old cressyts.	1	0
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In the Butterye next the great Parlor.

	s.	d.
Item a square table with a frame	2	6
Item a bread bing.	1	6
Item an old lyverye cubbord	1	0
Item 3 chysts	5	0
Item an old table	0	4
Item a lanthorne of glass ^e	1	6
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	11	10
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⁵ A kind of wooden shovel for drawing bread from the oven.⁶ A small basin or porringer.

In the Buttery next the litle Parlor.

	£	s.	d.
Item a great presse of waynscothe	1	6	8
Item a litle longe cubborde	1	0	
Item five bell candlestices of latten	12	6	
Item five old pewter candlestickes	5	0	
Item 2 great gallon potts	10	0	
Item 2 pottell ⁷ potts	6	0	
Item 2 damaske ⁸ potts	4	0	
Item a playne quart pott.	0	8	
Item two skinke ⁹ potts	3	4	
Item two pynt potts bell footed	1	8	
Item a pewter possonett peece	3	4	
Item 7 old candlestickes	4	0	
Item a bason and Ewer of pewter	4	0	
Item 5 old chamber potts	2	6	
Item pewter vessells newe and old of divers sorts contayning by waight 374 ^{lb} at . . . to the hundred at 6 ^d the pound	9	7	0
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[I make total £13 11s. 8d.]	13	14	8
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In the Woodhouse and Yarde.

	£	s.	d.
Item 3 cystornes of leadd	1	0	0
Item 1 old axe, a 2 hand sawe and a wheele- barrowe	2	0	
Item a remnant of sawen pale and the like of short sparres, with other old tymber, and a remnant of bricke	16	0	
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	1	18	0
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⁷ A vessel holding two quarts.⁸ Ornamented with flowers, patterns, &c.⁹ For drinking or for pouring out drink.

In the Gallery next the Garden.

	s.	d.
Item a table with a frame	3	4
Item a remnant of bordes	2	6
Item Rouffe tyles in the Court yarde	3	4
Item a croame with an iron beacke there	1	4
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	10	6
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In the Cellar.

	s.	d.
Item a hylder ¹	1	4
Item divers beere stooles a keeler ² and other old vessels	2	6
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	3	10
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In the Warehouse.

	£	s.	d.
Item a greate beame with the scales		10	0
Item Iron wayghts 4 ^{cwt}	1	6	8
Item leade wayghts lb		4	0
Item 3 ladders		13	4
Item 27 bunches of [space left]	1	3	0
Item a greate lanthorne of glasse		6	8
Item 100 [space left]		4	0
Item 3 shopp chystes	1	0	0
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¹ A holder (?).

² A tub.

In the great chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item a postid bedd with a tester valance and curtaynes of sarcenett	4	0	0
Item a covering of tapestry	1	0	0
Item a payre of blanketts	8	0	
Item a fether bedd with the boulster	3	0	0
Item 2 pillowes	6	8	
Item a lyverye cubbord	5	0	
Item a square table	5	0	
Item 2 Cypress chystes	2	6	8
Item a chayre of greene clothe imbroydered	10	0	
Item 1 payre of dog irons typped with brass and a payre of tongs	5	0	
Item 8 small maps with a table of Erasmus	10	0	
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In the chamber over the countynge house.

	£	s.	d.
Item a postid bedsted with tester vallance and curtaynes of redd and yellowe saye	1	13	4
Item a covering of tapstrey	16	0	
Item a payre of fustyan blanketts fether bed and boulster a pillow and a ould boulster	2	0	0
Item a lyverye cubborde	10	0	
Item a cownter with one leafe	5	0	
Item a waynscot chayre carved	3	4	
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In the preesse chamber.

	s.	d.
Item a bedstead with an ould tester	5	0
Item a great ould chyst	5	0
Item a chayre and a stoole	1	0
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In the seeled chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item a bedsted with a tester and valance of church worke and curtaynes	2	0	0
Item an orange tawneye Rugge	16	0	0
Item a fetherbedd boulster & a pillowe	2	0	0
Item a matriss	2	0	0
Item 2 waynscote chayres	3	4	
Item a litle cubbord & a clothe of churchworke	3	0	
Item a payre of Iron cobbyorns typped with lattyn	4	0	
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	5	8	4
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In the Brushing chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item a square table to brush one	13	4	
Item 2 great presses	2	10	0
Item 3 waynscote chystes	1	6	8
Item a chyst barred with iron	10	0	
Item a lytle fould table	2	0	
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[I make total £5 2s. 0d.]	4	2	0
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In the Entrye Chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item an ould bedsted	5	0	
Item a fether bedd and boulster	1	0	0
Item a blankett and covering of dornickes ³	6	8	
Item a litle ould table	0	6	
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³ A stout linen cloth.

In the lytle parlor chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item a posted bedsted with old curtaynes & a tester of saye		16	0
Item a Bedd Rugg for the coveringe		10	0
Item a downe bedd with a boulster	2	0	0
Item a fether bedd boulster & 1 pillowe	2	10	0
Item a trundle beddested ⁴		2	6
Item a fether bedd and a pillowe	1	3	4
Item a blanckett		2	0
Item a trundle bedsted		2	6
Item a fether bedd and a boulster	1	0	0
Item a blankett of fustyan and a old quilt		6	8
Item a lyverye table		6	8
Item an iron chyst	3	0	0
Item a lytle lether chyst with iron barres		3	4
Item a fyer pan tonges and a payre of dogges		1	8
Item a great wicker chayre		2	0
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[I make total £12 6s. 8d.]	12	4	0
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In the maydes chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item an ould posted bedsted with an olde tester of Saye		6	8
Item a fether bedd and boulster	1	0	0
Item an ould coveringe		1	4
Item a litle waynsote chayre		10	0
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⁴ A low bed on casters, or truckle-bed.

In the apple and fish chamber.

	s.	d.
Item 2 chylidrens chayres	2	8
Item a tryndle ⁵ beddstedd	2	0
Item a Sythe	1	0
Item 2 old netts	2	0
Item an old lome	2	0
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	9	8

In the Kytchyn Chamber.

	s.	d.
Item 2 old tryndle beddstedds with cordes	3	4
Item 2 old chayres	1	0
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	4	4

In the twisterers chamber.

	£	s.	d.
Item 9 thowsand of Bryckes	5	8	0
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	5	8	0

Bookes.

	£	s.	d.
Item a great Byble	13	4	
Item a Geneva byble	6	0	
Item the booke of martyrs in two vollumes	1	0	0
Item M ^r Calvin his institutions	3	4	
Item 2 latten Bybles	5	0	
Item 2 Justice of peace	1	0	
Item a booke for marchantes accompts	0	6	
Item a great crownickle	10	0	
Item the Chyrurgerye of John de Vigo	1	4	
Item a replye to M ^r Hardyng his answeare	1	8	
Item divers other old bookes	1	0	
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	3	3	2

⁵ Trundle-bed.

Lynnen, Diaper and playne.

	£	s.	d.
Item a long damask table clothe of six yards	}	3	0 0
Item a table cloth for a syde table of three yards			
Item a towell of the same and cubbord clothe			
Item 1 diaper clothe 7 yards longe	2	0	0
Item 1 course diaper clothe of 5 yards	1	0	0
Item 6 diaper clothes overworne	12	0	0
Item 1 more of 5 yards overworne	8	0	0
Item 1 diaper clothe of 3 yards worne	5	0	0
Item a diaper clothe for a square table	6	0	0
Item 7 diaper cubbord clothes new & old	2	0	0
Item 3 longe dyaper towells	2	0	0
Item 4 short dyaper towells	1	6	8
Item 1 diaper towelle	7	0	0
Item 2 dozen of diaper napkins	16	0	0
Item 8 dozen of playne napkins	2	0	0
Item 3 long table clothes	2	0	0
Item 10 short table clothes	3	6	8
Item 4 short clothes	5	0	0
Item 6 cubbord clothes	12	0	0
Item 2 old table clothes	2	6	0
Item 5 towells	1	0	0
Item 1 payre of sheetes of Holland 3 bredthes	1	13	4
Item 3 payre & 1 odd sheete of 2 bredthes of Holland	2	0	0
Item 14 payre of ordenary sheetes	7	0	0
Item 7 payre of pillowe beeres ⁶	1	0	0

[I make total £35 0s. 2d.]

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NOTE.—The Society is indebted to Mrs. F. H. Suckling, of Highwood, Romsey, for generously defraying the cost of this paper and its illustrations.

⁶ Pillow-cases.

ADDENDUM.

The present appears to be a convenient occasion to correct an error in *Norfolk Archæology*, vol. xix., p. 215, as to the Suckling arms. The arms there stated, on the authority of Burke's *General Armory*, 1874 edition, to have been granted to Robert Suckling, Alderman, on 24th August, 1578, were, it appears, from the records at the Heralds' College, not a grant, but a confirmation of arms, and at the same time a crest was granted of "a buck currant or, holding a honeysuckle in his mouth, proper." This disposes of the suggestion that Robert Suckling was not justified in placing his arms on the great gate of his mansion in 1564, as evidently the arms had been in use before the confirmation of 1578, although the crest was not granted until then. It will be noted that the crest is *or*, and not *gules* or *azure* as it is sometimes depicted. It would seem, moreover, that the family used also a crest of a buck or stag without the honeysuckle, and it has been suggested that as the grant of the branch of honeysuckle was made in August, 1578, the very month when Queen Elizabeth visited Norwich, it was in commemoration of that event. The actual words of the grant are, "In consideration of his good and loyal service, a sprig of honeysuckle proper be borne in the stag's mouth."