

EDITIONS

REGESTA REGUM ANGLO-NORMANNORUM

vol i (ed H W C Davis, 1913)

398 [1093–7] Grant by William II to God and the monks of la Charité

Of the church of St Saviour's B, and the manor of B and the gifts of Robert bishop of Lincoln, Winebald of Baalun, Odo of Tiron, Walters of Ansgar, Peter of St Olave and whatever has been given to them in London. ('*Ex registro Bermondsey penes Jn Selden*'; Also BM Lansdowne 863, f92; *Monast* v.100)

vol ii (ed C Johnson and H A Cronne, 1956)

639 [1103, Mar 29?] Winchester

Notification by Henry I to William bishop of Winchester and William earl Warenne and Ralph fitz Nigel and all barons and lieges of Surrey: has granted to the Peter the prior and monks of B the gift of Balham [co Surrey] which Nigel de Monvile gave them and which his wife confirmed at Bermondsey in the presence of William bishop of Winchester, William Malet and Manasser Arsic (Chart R, 4 Edward III, no 57; *Cal Charter Rolls*, iv.182)

'The (very untrustworthy) Annals of Bermondsey date Nigel's gift to 1103 (*Ann Mon*, iii.430)'

vol iii (ed H A Cronne & R H C Davis, 1969)

300 Stephen for Faversham abbey c.1148 *at Bermondsey*

505 Ditto for HTA 1153–52 *at Bermondsey*

549 Matilda to St Martin le Grand 1143–54 and 1143–7, both *at Bermondsey*
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956 Stephen to Winchester cathedral and see (1135–52): land and houses once of Ordgar in Southwark in the soke of the monks of St Saviour Bermondsey, which his brother the bishop of Winchester bought from Ordgar's wife and heirs.

957 Stephen to Winchester cathedral and see (1147–52), *at Bermondsey*: Ditto: to be held of the church of Bermondsey and monks there, rendering to them 40s pa.

958 Stephen to Winchester cathedral and see (1147–54), at London: re ditto.

W Dugdale, *MONASTICON ANGLICANUM*, ed J Caley, H Ellis and B Bandinel, vol 5 (1825)

Bermondsey 86–104

85 Notes that much of the information about acquisition of property comes from the Chronicle of Bermondsey. Set out pp 86–90

90–92 Priors and abbots

92 Note ‘s’: Entry re SSB in the ‘Returns’ of 2/3 Philip & Mary [1555–6]

Annuities: Thomas Grene 40s
Sir Roger Cholmeley 40s
Thomas Ponder 26s 8d
Sir Thomas Pope 40s

Pensions: Richard Gyle £10
John Kinder £6
John Cutberde £6
William Poynter 106s 8d
Thomas Stanbanke 106s 8d
Peter Lake £6
Robert bishop of Asaph lately *commendator* £332 6s 8d

Taxatio, Valor

93 Notes that at Christmas 1154, immediately after his coronation, Henry II held court at B. In 25 Henry III William de York and fellow-justices held assizes there on 5 May.

94 Charter of liberties and box of deeds at Westminster Abbey relating to tenements in B

In Lord Treasurer’s Remembrancers’ Office are the following:

Charter of the prior and convent of SSB of liberties granted by the king. Easter Rec.22 vel 23 Richard II [1399], rot 6

Prior of B charged with £40 12s 6d of goods and chattels of John atte See, forfeited. Hil Rec 3 Henry IV [1402], rot 25 vel 26

Letters patent of John Chandler re divers lands and tenements lately belonging to SSB. Mich Rec 32 Henry VIII [1540], rot 73

Royal letters patent concerning divers rents and services of divers lands and tenements in B made to Sir Thomas Pope and heirs, Easter Rec 36 Henry VIII [1545], rot 50.

Among the Harleian charters at the British Museum is 44H.16, an indenture between John abbot of B and the rector of SMCL re a tenement in Crooked Lane, 6 September 1439, 18 Henry VI.

95 In 1338 the church of this house appears to have been dedicated afresh, with several of its altars. Cloister and refectory either built or rebuilt by Prior Dunton in 1380, who covered the nave of the church with lead and made new with glass the windows in the presbytery in 1387. Abbot Thetford in 1430 covered the cloister with slate (*cum petra vocata slat*) (Chronicle).

Wilkinson [R, *Londina illustrata* ?] has given several plates illustrative of the remains of the this monastery, which have now almost all disappeared:

1. General view in 1805 from the steeple of St Mary Magdalene, with adjacent country.
2. East view of Gateway, near to the parish church
3. Inside a room adjoining under the hall, with several fragments of remains, capitals, mouldings, etc
4. Inside and outside of the Hall
5. Inside of one of the rooms under the Hall. But it is to be observed that this hall, in reality, was not a part of the abbey, but of the mansion which was erected upon its site by Sir Thomas Pope. Though Mr Wilkinson thinks that portion of the fourth plate, which is entitled 'Inside of the Hall', is probably of the hall or refectory of the monastery, as its appearance seems older than Sir Thomas Pope's time.
6. Arms and seal
7. Facsimile (apparently of same)
8. A Ground plan of the abbey of Bermondsey from an original drawing taken in 1679; with a view of the north and west gates of the abbey.

The Gatehouse, the last principal remain of this Abbey, was taken down in 1805

Richard pr of B built 1213, adjoining to the walls of this monastery, an almshouse or hospital for converts and poor boys in honour of St Thomas of Canterbury. It was under the government of the almoner of the priory and exempt from episcopal jurisdiction.

- 99 1338: the great altar in honour of SS and BVM and All Saints on 3 Ides January. On the 8th day altars of the Cross, Druett in honour of BM and St Thomas the martyr and the altar quod est iuxta ostium cimiterio monachorum in honore SS Andrew and James and all the apostles.

Eight document transcripts (charters numbered II to VII) printed:

(I Transcript of *Chronicle*)

II William II:

includes *Cerletonam* given by Robert bishop of Lincoln, the church of *Hardwike* with land adjacent to the church and a tithe of the vill; and a tithe of *Opetona* which Winebald de Baalun gave; the church of *Omeneia*, land and tithe of the same with other tithes of *Estentona* and *Alvinetona* given by Odo de Tiron knight of the same Winebald, tithe of *Fyfidre* given by Roger knight of John son of Waleran and agreed by John; also two hides of land of *Estanes* which Walter son of Ansgar gave; likewise the land of Hoddesdon which Peter of St Olave gave, just as he held it in the time of (the king's) father, and whatever is given in London and Southwark, in tithes, houses, and lands

III Confirmation of Henry I

(Reg Bermund; Cart 4 E III no 57)

Bermondsey; *Cerletonam* given by Robert bishop of Lincoln; hide of land of *Hallyngeburia* given by Geoffrey Martel with a tithe of *Alfreretona*; *Wydeford* which Ivo de Grantmesnil exchanged with the monks of B for *Andretesberya* given by William de Belmeis; tithe of *Fifhyde*, church of *Hardewyke* and tithe of the same vill and three hides of land in the same vill and a tithe of *Opetona* which Vinebald de Baalun gave them; *Preston* which Ansgar Brito gave them; two hides *Stavam* which Walter son the same Ansgar gave; two hides in *Belgeham* which Nigel de Mundevilla gave with the agreement of his wife; two hides at *Hodesden*; all in London. The king also gives from his demesne *Rodereyam et Dilewich*, hide of Southwark and Waddon. He also confirms *Kynewardestoniam* which Mary countess of Boulogne gave with the agreement of Count Eustace her husband.

IV Memo re the manor of B from the 'Register': mainly DB details but ending with a memorandum claiming that belonging to the manor of Bermondsey are: Bermondsey, Camberwell, Rotherhithe, hide of Southwark, Dulwich, Waddon and Reyham.

V Charter of Henry I re the churches of Soras and Cobbaham to SSB (Pat 1 Henry IV, pt 7, m 15 inspeximus: not in *Regesta*)

Henricus Dei gratia rex Anglorum Radulfo Rofensi episcopo et Hamoni dapifero et omnibus baronibus Francis et Anglis de Chent salutem. Sciatis me dedisse ecclesie S Salvatori de B ecclesiam de Soras cum ecclesia de Cobbaham que ei appendet, cum decimis in annona et agnis et aliis consuetudinibus, sicut Turstinus capellanus meus eam habebat. Et volo et firmiter precipio ut monachi in pace et honore predictam ecclesiam teneant. T. Eudone dapifero et Hamo dapifero, et Willielmo de Albineio et Willielmo Peurello. D apud Rotomagum [1108–14].

VI Henry II grant of the church of Berlyng which Walchelin Maminot gave in alms and confirmed by charter [ibid].

VII Another of Henry II [1155–61] confirming the church of Camberwell given by William earl of Gloucester, the church of Benyngh given by Reginald de Taney, the church of Warlingham given by Robert de Watevila, the church of Fifhides given by Matilda wife of Husculf de Tany and her son Graalandus; the church of Bedintone given by Sibil de Watevilla and Ingelram de Funteines. Witnessed: Theobald archbishop, Thomas the chancellor.

(VIII Indigenation of the priory by Richard II)

IX Valor Ecclesiasticus (pp 101–3)

X List of pensions in Augmentations Office (p 103)

Pensions granted by the king at the resignation of the monastery on 22 April anno 30 [1538 but as Henry's regnal year started on 22 April, 1539 may have been meant]

Robert Wherton, bishop of St Asaph late abbot by year £333 6s 8d

Richard Gile late prior £10

Thomas Gaynesborow prior of Derby £7

Thomas Gale DD £6

John Kynder subprior £6

Peter Luke late Chaunter £6

John Cuthbert £6

Thoms Rokeley 106s 8d

William Paynter 106s 8d

Thomas Stanbak 106s 8d

Stephen Felowe 106s 8d

John Cory 40s
John M'shall 13s 4d

Total pensions £398 6s 8d.
Thomas Crumwell

X1 Ministers Accounts 32 Henry VIII [1539–40] (pp 103–4)

Includes:

Bermondsey: site of the said monastery, in demesne: farm £7 13s 4d

infra precinct' monast: firma mes cum gardin 13s 4d

sextons gurdens et Flegmede: firma prat' £5 0s 0d

CHRONICLES OF LONDON, ed C L Kingsford (Oxford 1905)

142 (Cleopatra C iv) Anno 15 [1437] 3 January died Queen Katharine at Bermondsey and on 9 February was brought through London to Westminster and interred in the Lady Chapel in the abbey.

CHRONICLE OF MAYORS AND SHERIFFS OF LONDON, 1188–1274, ed H T Riley, London 1863

243 23 Edward I [1294–5] In this year arose a great flood in the Thames, that it drowned a great part of the lands of B and of all the country round about, which is still* called 'The Breach' (*le Breche*). Cf Annals of Bermondsey (Harleian MS 231, f 46): in this year a flood of the waters of Thames passed its usual limits on 18 October, and then was made the great Breach at Retherhithe; and it overflowed the plain of B and the precinct of Tothill [*latest item reported is for 1340]

ROTULI PARLIAMENTORUM

i (1278–1325) no publ. details given

54 1290 18 Edward I

no. 98 Henry de Stratton petitions the king to order Mr William de Luda to return to him a bond for an annual pension of 40s made out in Henry's name by the prior & convent of B, which writing is kept among the records of Adam de Stratton his brother in the custody of the lord king. Response: prior to be asked why he should not restore the writing to him before the justices on the morrow of St John Baptist.

58 Same year

no 157 Roger de Gardino and his wife Joan were feoffed of Adam de Stratton in 10m of land in Richmond, which he held of the prior of B and from which the prior ejected him. He seeks to be restored by the king *occasione concessionis* made by King H. Response: let the land be taken into the king's hand and Roger, his wife and the prior be called and the parties be heard before G de Thornton and fellows as soon as possible.

116 1293 21–2 Edward I

no 24 The prior of B has shown the king that whereas Prior Henry, his immediate predecessor, presented one Geoffrey de Wytelbyri the vicarage of Camberwell, which is of the advowson of the said prior, the prior died before the institution and the priory came into the hands of the king, who presented a clerk of his own to the prejudice and disinheritance of the priory. He seeks a revocation of the king's presentation. King says it was his job to fill a vacancy; bishop of Winchester to find a suitable candidate.

171 1304 33 Edward I

no 100 Petition of Geoffrey Scurlag and his wife Joan, once wife of Roger de Gardin, seeking remedy for the disseisin of Roger and Joan by the prior of B from their free tenement in Watford and Richmond co Herts, which tenement Joan acquired from Adam de Stratton for herself and heirs for 40s pa rent, and was in possession for six years and more. The prior claims he himself held the tenement of the Crown, and produced his charter, after which the justices were unwilling to proceed without special instruction from the king. Response: Chancery writ to be sent to justices telling them to discover the truth, notwithstanding the charter.

372 1320 14 Edward II

no 15 Petition of Isabel de Bramellang seeking remedy in that the corrody of herself and her son Alan is detained (*detinetur*) in the house (*domo*) of B which is now in the king's hands and it is long (?since she bought the house from the prior). Response: warden of the house to do justice.

no 16 Petition of John de Besevile tailor of London seeking remedy in that 7m pa which the prior & convent of B are bound to him for a corrody in the same, which house

is now in the king's hands and the money withheld from him. Response: wardens to do justice to the petitioner.

375 1320, 14 Edward II

no 58 Petition of William le Tonelour that the prior & convent of B owe him 100s; seeks a writ ordering the warden to pay him what is owed in that the house is now in the king's hands. Response: wardens to do justice.

vi (1472–1503)

124 1475 14 Edward IV

Merchants of the Steelyard: (among other matters) the abbot of B is seised by right of his monastery in an annual rent of 18s going out of the Steelyard. This is now to be discharged, in return for which the king undertakes to discharge the prior & convent of all manner of corrodies and sustentations granted at the king's prayer, desire, denomination or writing.

TESTA DE NEVILL (Record Commission 12, 1807)

226 Surrey: Hundred of Brixton: Rex Willelmus Rufus dedit Berm'dese in elemos' monachorum de Bermundes.

PLACITORUM ABBREVIATIO (Rec Comm 17, 1811)

281 Octave of Hilary, 17 Edward I [1289]

Buckinghamshire: William de Meyne parson of Ludgershall guilty of seizing and carrying away corn of the prior of B *in moncellis adunat'* (gathered in heaps) for two years at a cost of 4m. Rot 19.

ROTULI HUNDREDORUM

nil for Surrey

PEDES FINIUM OR FINES RELATING TO THE COUNTY OF SURREY [1195–1509]
ed F B Lewis, Surrey Archaeological Society, Extra vol 1 (1894)

5 (3 John)

37 Ralph de Halling v. Hugh prior of B in Waddon
38 Philip Vitdeniers v. in Rutherhey

12 (7 Henry III)

64 Ralph Deyrell v. Hugh pr of B in Chelesham

13 (10 Henry III)

77 Hugh pr of B v. John de Tideseye et al in Dilewis and Camberwell

18 (17 Henry III)

163 Pentecost de London clerk v. Hugh pr of B whom Adam de Clapton called to
warranty in Southwark

21 (22 Henry III)

216 Roger de London v. Wyschard pr of St Saviour Bermondsey by Brother John
de Dunstaple his monk and Geoffrey Pikerssh in Rotherhithe

26 (26 Henry III)

278 Himbert pr of B v. Giles fil' Luke de Trie in Warlingham

28 (32 Henry III)

319 Richard de Clare earl of Gloucester by Richard le Waleys v. Ymbert pr of B
by Brother Henry de North his monk in Camberwell

31 (32 Henry III)

360 Imbert pr of B by Brother Henry de Norhamton v. John fil' Henry in
Rotherhithe.

363 Ditto by ditto v. Geoffrey fil' Norman and wife Alice in Walworth

368 John de Bromley and his wife Matilda v. Isaac the Jew of Southwark in
Southwark

- 32 386 Ernald Geraudon by Jordan le Chanu v. Imbert pr of B by Brother Richard de Kingston hi monk, grant of a corrody.
- 33 391 Imbert pr of B v. Saerus fil' Henry in B in Rotherheye
- 39 (45 Henry III)
- 144 Henry Walemand v. William Schort and his wife Cristiana in Redereye (pr of B a.s.c.)
- 45 (53 Henry III)
- 222 John pr of B by Walter Hallynber his monk v. Adam le Treur and his wife Elizabeth in Southwark
- 53 (7 Edward I)
- 57 Frechesenta fil' Hamo de Brechia, Hugh fil' Letitia and John fil' Isabel by Peter de Mallyng v. Peter pr of B
- 56 (10 Edward I)
- 107 William Norman v. Peter pr of B by Richard Marchall in Southwark

PROCEEDINGS IN CHANCERY

- ii (Rec Comm 54, 1830)
- O.o.1 no 28. Thomas Oliver v. John Payne: claim under a grant from Henry VIII: a messuage in p SMMB being part of the possessions of dissolved monastery of B granted by Henry VIII to Thomas Pope and since vested in plaintiff.
- iii (Rec Comm 55, 1832)
- 248 W.w.8 no 42: Property in B and R lately of the abbey. 1585.
- 317 W.w.26 no 14: John White and Lionel Harrison re Preston and Stone, Somerset

ABSTRACTS OF SURREY FEET OF FINES, 1509–1558, ed C A F Meekings, Surrey Record Soc 19 (1947)

(** All items are nos.)

- 380 1543 The bishop of St Asaph plt: Thomas Pope kt (h) and Anne his wife dfts 9 messuages, 9 gardens, 1 orchard, 3 acres meadow and 3 acres of pasture in B. Warrant against the bishop of Westminster. 291/50
- 418 36 Henry VIII: Robert Traps plt: John Chaundeler cit and goldsmith and wife Joan dfts 22 messuages, 22 gardens, a lyme kylle, a wharf, 10 acres of land and 80 acres meadow, 10 acres land and 80 acres meadow in B and R'hithe £140. 292/35
- 448 1544. John Erle plt: Thomas Pope kt and wife Elizabeth dfts: A water-mill, a wharf, an orchard, 20 acres meadow, 2 [w ?] and verge of one of two walls and of a herbage extending from the mill to the Stewse called Rotherhithe Stewse, in St Mary Magdalene, B and Rotherhithe; also the eastern part of a dock called Seynt Savours Dock in B; excepting all fisheries and increase of swans with the said dock and all goods and chattels of felons and fugitives in B. Warrant against Thomas and heirs. £160. 292/59
- 804 1555 Arthur Darcy kt, Richard Catlyn, Richard Gooderick and Anthony Wayte plts: Thomas Pope kt and wife Elizabeth dfts: the manor of B (40 messuages, 10 tofts, 40 gardens, a watermill, 3 dovecotes, 200 acres of land, 100 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 20 acres of wood and £10 rents in B, R and St George's Southwark, and the advowson of Bermondsey church. £1818. 677/29

THE PIPE ROLL FOR 1295: SURREY MEMBRANE (Surrey Record Soc 7, 1924)

nil

CALENDAR OF LETTER BOOKS A TO L

K (1911)

305-6 (following an item dated 15 January 1445): 'long list of names to each of which a sum of money (assessed upon tenements and lands) is appended, for what purpose is not clear.' Includes 'Ralph Elleswik, the prior of Bermondsey' [one person or two? <looks like two: no Prior Ralph recorded elsewhere at this date>] and several other local heads of houses.

CALENDAR PLEA & MEMORANDA ROLLS

1323–1364 (ed A H Thomas, 1926)

14 (13 January 1327) Oaths to safeguard Queen Isabella and her son Edward against Hugh le Despenser the younger and also liberties of the City, sworn by prior of Bermondsey along with the priors of St Mary Southwark, Holy Trinity Aldgate and Westminster.

101 (13 November 1338) collection of money from religious houses holding land in London but not paying scot or lot: from prior of Bermondsey 5m

(from Holy Trinity 10m; St Martin le Grand 40s; D&C St Paul's 10m; prioress of Clerkenwell 60s; St John of Jerusalem 5m; New Hospital without Bishopsgate 20m; St Bartholomew's 5m, St Giles 50s)

1364–1381 (1929)

xviii Little evidence that the attitude of civic authorities towards the sokes was anything but friendly. In Husting in 1273 the mayor himself was sokereeve for Holy Trinity, Haliwell, Bermondsey and Westminster.

1437–1457 (PEJ 1954)

xi Prior of Bermondsey at once produces a grant from the king of the advowson of SMM dated 21 November 1234 (in response to a claim that SMM and other churches built in highways or on the walls) were in the gift of the king

1458–1482

65 22 December 1469: Thomas Throwe and his wife Elizabeth, late wife of Robert Sewale grocer deceased acknowledge by indenture of 11 September 1469 by themselves and John Grey grocer to Thomas Walker grocer of the lease of a tenement, shops, solar etc which RS once held and now occupied by TW in Bucklersbury in St Benet Sherhog for nine years at a rent of £18 and three peppercorns at Michaelmas, and 40s to the abbot of Bermondsey and the abbess of Stratford at Bow, with covenants to maintain the property in repair, pave streets, clean privies.

- 199 Of churches they say that... the church of SMM, sited in the *regis strata*, is of the advowson of the abbot of Westminster and the prior of B, and that it is worth £20 pa, ought to be in the king's gift unless the abbot and prior can show any warrant for it.... and the prior of Bermondsey came and proffered letters patent of King Henry in which quitclaimed to the priory any interest in the advowson following his grant of land to the church for its enlargement, 21 November 1234.
- 216 The prior of Bermondsey holds a messuage in the City which was of William cum barba who was convicted of a felony. Let it be taken in hand, and let the moiety of the messuage which Osbert the clerk devised to the said William, his son, and to his other son Richard, during which term he was convicted of felony, be taken in hand until the tenants, etc

THE LONDON EYRE OF 1276, ed M Weinbaum, London Record Soc 12, 1976

116, 299, 613, 615

- 116 On Sunday 4 September 1261 Richard de Borham with many other people from London went to a wrestling match (*luctus*) at Bermundeseye outside the City and there wrestled with the men of the prior of Bermundeseye; a quarrel arose among them and Richard and his companions chased the prior's men into the priory; then came a monk called Arnulf and other monks from the priory who entered a solar above the gate and threw stones at Richard and his companions; Arnulf the monk threw a stone upon Richard and crushed him so that he quickly died. It is testified that Arnulf is still alive and living in the priory, so let him be arrested. Likewise the prior of Bermundeseye is to be distrained by all his lands. The mayor and alderman are told to enquire about the names of those who were present at the fight and death. Afterwards Arnulf comes and, asked how he wishes to clear himself of the death, says that he is a clerk and not bound to answer here. Thereupon Richard de Harwes, minor canon of St Paul's London comes and claims him as a clerk by to him his authority for claiming clergy; so that it may be it known for what he is to be handed over, let the truth be ascertained by the mayor and aldermen; they say in the faith in which they are bound to the king that he is guilty of death, so as such let him be handed over to the bishop. Thereupon it is testified that he had previously been arrested for the death and released on bail to William de Kent mercer, William de Laufar espicer [*et al*] to have him here on the first day and they did not have him. So they are all in mercy. Because Arnulf was harboured in the priory from the time when he killed Richard until the present and the prior and convent knew it well, to judgement on the prior for the harbouring.

- 613 Amercements, 1260–61: Pauper de Matheo de Pontefracto 100s because he did not have Arnulf monk of Bermund which he had arrested. (Paid 1278–82)
- 615 Breve de respectu De priore de Bermundesey pro receptamento Arnulphi monachi sui qui interfecit Richardum Borham £10. Writ attached, granting to the prior respite until the next parliament at Michaelmas.
- 299 Of churches they say (among other things) that the church of St Magnus the Martyr is worth £15 pa and Mr Geoffrey de la Wade holds it by grant of the prior of Bermundeseie and the abbot of Westminster to whom King Henry conferred the advowson by his charter [Cal Patent Rolls 1232–47, 82; 21 November 1234] as appears in the roll of the penultimate eyre.

TAXATIO ECCLESIASTICA PAPAE NICHOLAI IV (Record Commission 1, 1802)

8b (Temporalities in Rochester diocese)

Esthall, Berling, Cherleton, Sutton with perts £32 16 9

10b Diocese of London (Temporalities in City of London: goods in parishes)

St Mary Woolchurch	14	0
St Duncan in the West	2	8
All Hallows Barking	8	9
St Swithun	4	0
St Matthew Friday Street	10	0
St Benet	5	0
St Botolph Billingsgate	2	7 0
St John Walbrook	10	0
St Michael Bassishaw	2	1
St Peter Wood Street	2	0 3
St Lawrence Cannon Street	1	6 10
St Sepulchre	14	0
St Olave Monkwell Street	9	0
St Michael Queenhithe	5	6
St Botolph Aldersgate	6	8
All Hallows the Great	1	1 4

All Hallows Staining	10	0
St Mary Monthaut	2	0
All Hallows Fenchurch Street	4	8
St Margaret Moyses	4	0
St Margaret Pattens	13	4
St Margaret at the Bridge	17	0
St Andrew Hubbard	1	13 0
St Edmund Gracechurch Street	13	4
Holy Trinity the Less	7	0
St Mary at Hill	4	6
St Nicholas Hakun	2	2
All Hallows Coleman Church	5	0
St Martin Cannon Street	2	4 7
St Andrew Cornhill	8	4
St Christopher	6	0
St Martin Outwich	3	0
St Nicholas Olaf	12	0
St Thomas Apostle	10	0
St Michael Cornhill	10	0
St James Garlickhithe	1	7 8
St Martin Vintry	1	16 0
St Mary Abchurch	10	3
St Clement Cannon Street	12	8
St John Zachary	16	0
St Agnes	11	0
St Nicholas Cole Abbey	1	10 0
St Stephen Walbrook	6	0
All Hallows the Less	10	0
St George	5	0
St Benet Sherhog	14	8
St Mary Magdalen Fish Market	10	0
St Nicholas Shambles	6	8
St Mary le Bow	3	0 0
St Vedast	3	0
St Leonard Eastcheap	2	6 9
St Dionis	2	11 4
St Michael Cannon Street	2	3 7
St Michael le Quern	1	2 10
St Michael Wood Street	5	0
St Pancras	1	15 0
St Mary Bothaw	1	8 4
All Hallows Gracechurch	7	0
St Dunstan in the East	2	3 0
St Michael Paternoster	8	0

Total £50 2 9; tithe £5 0 8¼

	Goods in:			
	Hallingebur' parva, land rents, mill	9	5	3
	Schering, land, mill, customs	11	4	2
	Total	20	9	5
	Tithe 2 0 11¼			
18	Deanery of Brantham (Spiritualities)			
	Church of Wydiford		6	8
	Deanery of Herlawe (Spiritualities)			
	Portion of the church of Herlawe	2	0	0
21b	Spiritualities of archdeaconry of Essex Deanery of Aungr': portion of Fifide	3	6	8
22	Spiritualities of archdeaconry of Essex Deanery of Berdestaple: portion of vicarage of Horningdon	1	13	4
24	Archdeaconry of Essex: Deanery of Berdestaple Duddyngerst	2	3	11
29	Temporalities of Archdeaconry of Colchester Deanery of Colchester: Colchester		18	4¾
34	Spiritualities of Archdeaconry of Buckingham Deanery of Wottesden: portion of church of Lotegarsal	1	0	0
36	Archdeaconry of Huntingdon Deanery of Leytonstone: portion of church of Elington	4	0	0
45b	Archdeaconry of Buckingham Deanery of Burnham: rents	3	0	0
49b	(Archdeaconry of Bedford) Prior of B has there for rent (<i>de redd'</i>)	3	0	0
52	Archdeaconry of Huntingdon Deanery of Hertford: lands <i>cur'</i> at Benyngho	4	3	0
140	Archdeaconry of Chichester: temporalities		10	0
179	Sarum Diocese: Archdeaconry of Dorset			

	Deanery of Albi Monasterii: portion of church of Melecumbe tithes of latter 13 4	6	13	4
180b	Archdeaconry of Sarum Deanery of Ambresbury: portion of church of Mildestone tithes of latter 1 0		10	0
191	Archdeaconry of Berkshire Deanery of Abingdon: Optone tithes of latter 14 8	7	6	8
196	Temporalities in Optone (half paid into Exchequer [??])	3	13	4
197	Bath & Wells			
	Deanery of Merstone: portion of vicarage of Genele	2	0	0
197b	Deanery of Ivelcestre: pension in church of Chilt'ne	1	0	0
200b	Portions of prior of Bermondsey in			
	Church of Genele in deanery of Merston	2	0	0
	Chilterne in Ivelcestr'	1	0	0
	Church of Ingellsome in deanery of Radeclive	2	10	0
	Temporalities at Preston and deanery of Merston	8	3	4
	at Genele, Preston and Stonem	6	5	0
	at Kywardston in deanery of Kary	10	0	0
203b	Temporalities of the deanery of Merston			
	Prestone	8	3	4
	Genele, Preston and Stone	6	5	0
	Kynewardstone, deanery of Kary	10	0	0
207	Winchester Diocese			
	Prior of B at:			
	vill of Camberwell, quod taxat	6	8	7
	parish of St Olave		5	0
	parish of Croydon	10	15	5
	vill of Worlingham	1	16	0
209	Church of St Mary Bermondsey, deanery of Southwark	6	13	4

221	Archdeaconry of Gloucester Deanery of Stonehouse: portion of church of Tithe of 2s	1	0	0
266	Ely Diocese Deanery of Cestreton: portion of church of Landben	1	0	0
312b	Archdeaconry of Notts (Temporalia) Parish of Staneforthe	1	0	0
339b	Staneforth	1	0	0

LONDON POSSESSORY ASSIZES ed H M Chew, London Record Soc 1, 1965

170, 172, 216, 222, 224

170 11 April 1383: Richard prior of St S B complains that on Thursday 22 January 1383 Thomas Gerdelere and his wife Margaret and William Tryple disseised him of 32s 6d rent from tenements in the parishes of SMV and St Nicholas Cole Abbey. Denied. Plaintiff, asked to show his title, claims that long ago Bertrand, a former prior, with the consent of his chapter leased the messuage now held by Thomas and Margaret to Simon Wympler, charged with an annual rent of 30s, and his predecessors seized of the 2s 6d rent from Tryple's shop time out of mind. Verdict for plaintiff. Damages 20s. Defs pay at once in court.

172 20 June 1383: Richard prior of St S B complains that on Monday 6 October 1382 Nicholas Dabrychescourt kt, John Dabrychescourt, Thomas Dabrychescourt, Louis Clifford kt, John Holand kt, William, Nicholas's chaplain, John Bradeford and Margaret his wife and John Cook, maltmonger, disseised him of 21s rent from tenements in the parishes of St Margaret Pattens and St Dionis Backchurch. Denied. Plaintiff then abridges claim to 8s rent from the tenement in SMP. Verdict for plaintiff in respect of SMP. John, Margaret and plaintiff in mercy as regards the other tenant.

216 [1406–7]: Henry abbot of St S B complains that on Thursday 13 May 1406 William Bovyngdon, master of St Thomas de Acres, Edith Gryffitz priory of Halywell and others disseised him of 20s rent in St Mary Bow. Defendants in mercy. Damages including 6½ years' service.

222 ?27 November 1406: Henry abbot of St S B complains that on Thursday 15 July 1406 John Walssh and Agnes his wife disseised him of 8s rent in the parish of St Michael at Corn, and says that the rent is a quitrent, and predecessors seized of it

time out of mind. Jury says Prior Bernard was seized of the rent temp Henry III. Damages, including ten years' arrears £4 13s 4d.

- 224 26 November 1407: Henry abbot of St S B complains that on Thursday 10 March 1407 Richard Pavy and his wife Joan disseised him of 25s rent in St Pancras. Defendants make a default. Plaintiff says the rent is a quitrent belonging to the abbey time out of mind. Verdict for the plaintiff. Damages, including 7½ years' arrears. £11 7s 6d.

Assize of Nuisance

Nil

CALENDAR OF WILLS PROVED IN THE COURT OF HUSTING, ed R R Sharpe, London 1889–90

i.21, 22, 391n, 393, 460, 546, 576

- i.20–1 Martin de Garscherche: to his eldest son a capital messuage in SBB etc charged with payments to the canons of St Mary Southwark and the monks of Bermundeseye. nd, proved 18 November 1275 (7/20)
- i.22 Arnald Thedmar: to Stephen Eswy his kinsman shops in AHG rendering annually to the monks of Bermondsey 3s. nd, proved February 1275 (7/35)
- i.391n Mr John Busshe: certain property in the parish of Fenchurch to be sold, saving to the monks of Bermundsey 32d pa rent. Dated 6 June 1333; proved 6 December 1333 (61/123).
- (Ftn to the effect that some suppose Ailwin Child to have been the father of Henry fitzAilwin)

- i.393 Roger de Euere, ironmonger: to Sir John de Eure, his son, a monk of Bermundeseye, an annuity of 6m for celebrating for the good of his soul, and souls of Cristiana his wife and others. Tenements in City to his daughters Alice, Agnes, Johanna and Johanna [sic] for life, remainder to the prior and convent of St Saviour Bermundeseie for pious uses. Dated 13 December 1333; proved 31 January 1334 (62/14).
- i.460 John de Oxenford, vintner: bequest of measures of red wine and money to numerous religious houses including Bermondsey in return for their prayers. Dated 1 May 1340; proved July 1342 (69/93).
- i.546–7 Thomas de Sewell, bureller: his tenement in the parish of St Swithun to be sold, saving to Master and brethren of St James Westminster and the prior and convent of St Saviour Bermondsey certain annual quitrents. Dated 25 March 1349; proved May 1349 (76/180).
- i.576 Matilda de Mymys: her apprentice William to be delivered over to the care and teaching of Friar Thomas de Alshom of the priory and convent of Bermondseye for a term of three years. Dated 10 April 1349; proved May 1349 (76/313).
- ii.186 Henry Hale, fishmonger: bequest to the prior of Bermondsey etc. Dated 26 March 1375; proved March 1376 (104/15).
- ii.214–5 Margaret Tonk: to the monks of Bermundeseye 13s 4d. Dated 21 October 1378; proved May 1380 (108/129).

WEST MINSTER ABBEY CHARTERS 1066–c.1214, ed Emma Mason, London Record Society 25, 1988

194, 220, 287, 368

- 194 Report by the papal judges delegate, the prior of SSB and Nicholas archdeacon of London re settlement over disputed presentation to the church of St Margaret Eastcheap, Westminster being one of the parties (c. 11 March 1184)
- 220 Notification by William [de Ste Mère Eglise], bishop of London, that at the presentation of the abbot & convent of Westminster, patrons of half the church of SMM next to London Bridge, and at the presentation of the prior & convent of Bermondsey, patrons of the other half, he has instituted to the church Mr Simon de

- Valenciis, clerk, reserving to the abbots of W and the prior of B and convents the pensionis which they formerly received from that church. Simon will answer for all obligations due to the bishop or archdeacon. 14 April 1208.
- 287 Final concord between Abbot Walter and Bertram, prior of Bermondsey, whereby the advowson of SMM was divided equally between them. 23 April 1182
- 368 Notification by Nicholas, archdeacon of London, that on the presentation of Abbot Walter and the convent of Westminster, to whom belongs half the advowson the church of SMM, and on the presentation of Prior Henry de Soilli and the convent of Bermondsey, to whom belongs the other half of the church, he has inducted his nephew Mr Nicholas as parson [1186x1189].

THE CARTULARY OF HOLY TRINITY ALDGATE, ed G A J Hodgett, London Record Society 7 (1971)

- 389, 428; land 271, 335; monks 460, 977, 1016; priors Hugh 338 and Humbert 462.
- 1005 Inspeximus by Richard II of earlier charters. Refers land of the Cnichtenegelda as in the time of various including William II, Henry I and Liovestanus
- (note that in the margin: *Nota quod iste Leoustanus erat pater Alwini patris Henrici maioris London' primi cuius carta habetur in Prioratu de Tortyngton*)
- 389–90 Grant by William son of Roger to John prior and convent of a quit rent of 24s which Henry Dunholm and Agnes widow of Adrian Aschwy were accustomed to pay from two adjacent tenements in p SMO, from which sum 10s went to the abbey of Bermondsey as appears by Chapter 15 of several parishes [see 1016]. 390 notes that a grant of 10s to the monks of B appears in a charter enrolled in 2 Edward I (1273–4): HR 5/60.
- 428 In a charter of William Waleran made by William de Londonestone enrolled 35 Edward I (35/2) re a tenement in St Mary Bothaw between John de Kemesyng on the east and Augustine le Gaunt on the west, street on south and prior of Tortyngton on north: the abbot of Bermondsey has 5s pa.
- 271 re land adjoining property of B in St George Botolph Lane in 1170–97
- 335 Grant by unnamed prior in 1212–13 to John son of Daniel of property in AH Lombard Street adjoining land of the fee of the monks of St Saviour B

- 338 Grant by Hugh prior of St Saviour Bermondsey to John son of John Daniel of land in St Michael Cornhill; abutments land of the said John and land of John son of James, goldsmith, rent 7s [1201–10].
- 460 Osbert chaplain and rector of St Mary Bothaw grants to the church of St Saviour B half the land with a house built on it in St John Walbrook which Walter Bokerel leased in fee [before 1249].
- 462 Grant by Humbert prior of the church of St Saviour B to Alexander Marescall of land and a house which Osbert the chaplain gave and bequeathed to the house in St John Walbrook: abutments, the land that was of Thomas Gysors on the east and the house of St John of Jerusalem on the west; rent 10s [1249–53].
- 977 Charter of William of Ypres to Theobald archbishop of Canterbury and legate and to the bishop of London granting to HTA Queenhithe in alms, giving 100s pa to the monks of St Saviour Bermundesheiea [1151–2].
- 1016 Grant by William son of Roger, citizen of London, to John prior and convent of HTA of 24s quitrent which Henry de Dunolm and Agnes widow of Adrian Aswy paid to the grantor from houses which they held of him in St Martin's Lane, Cannon Street and property in St Martin Outwich, paying for the grantor and his heirs to the monks of St Saviour B 10s pa; the canons gave 12m [1259].

THE CARTULARY OF ST BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL, ed N J Kerling, London 1973

708, 847; App I, 237

- 708 Grant by Thomas Blundus to William capellanus, m of SBH, of land in St Nicholas Cole Abbey between that of SBH in the east, that of Thomas in the west and that of John Furmager and of Ralph Cardinal in the north, being in the fee of Bermundeseie. Rent 1 lb of cumin or 1d. Fine 10m. Dorse: 20 Henry III [1235–6]
- 847 Grant by John son of William le Mazeliner and Isabel, wife of John, Simon son of Miles de Wyntonia and Rose wife of Simon, to Robert de Estot vintner and Gillian his wife of a tenement in the vintroy of London in the parish of St Martin and St Michael Paternoster, formerly of Luke Batencourt, late father of Isabel and Rose, between the tenement of John in the north and the highroad in the south. 4s to the monks of Bermondsey [1289–90].

App 1, 237

[1456] A tenement formerly of Robert Doget, son of Roger Doget, in Bowelane, the greater part being in SMV and the rest in St Michael Paternoster, and now called *le Sarasynes on the hoop*, a tavern (as per 846–7). Subsequent occupants: Robert Skot and successively Robert Gunthorpe, of Sarah Gunthorpe as in the poundage of 18 Edward II, of Bartholomew de Gunthorpe, of William Gauger 11 Edward III, John Cosyn quilter and grocer, as in an acquittance of 2 Henry V and of Thomas Vyrley 26 Hen V, 1 6s 8d rent. The sealed deed for the said rent remains in the house of St Salvator Bermundeseye. Payment to the house of St Salvator 4d.

REGISTRUM JOHANNIS DE PONTISSARA, 1282–1304, ed C Deedes (Canterbury & York Society, 19 (1915) and 30 (1924))

xxiv Priory claimed that by reason of papal privilege it was not obliged to pay an annual procuration to the bishop. Finally agreed that each new bishop should have a procuration of 5m on his first entry into office and thereafter 2½m a year. No further claims were to be made or allowed.

The manor of B was liable to occasional inundation, which very seriously impoverished the community. It is very likely that a papal indult for the appropriation of a benefice to a monastery which had recently suffered from inundation, the names for some reason being suppressed, was in favour of B. The bishop ratified this on 1 April 1292. In 1300 a grievous flood had turned the formerly prosperous condition of their monastery into one of extreme distress, threatening absolute ruin, and the bishop accordingly assigned to them the rectorial tithes of Chelsham and its chapel, of which they were already patrons.

10 29 November 1283: Admission of John son of Thomas de Widihull as rector of Warlingham with the chapel of Chelsham.

49 30 November 1292: custody of the rectory of SMMB entrusted to John de Ecclesia pending his immediate ordination

96 18 April 1300: appropriation of the church of Chelsham to prior of B

107 22 May 1301: Collation of Roger de Hertford to the vicarage of Camberwell, which for this turn was in the bishop's gift, the prior and convent of B, the true patrons, having presented an unsuitable man and being themselves under sentence of excommunication.

116 24 September 1301: bishop revokes the collation lately made in the Roman Court of Roger de Hertford to the vicarage of Camberwell at the instance of the patron of that vicarage, the prior of B.

- 117 26 September 1301: admission of Roger de Hertford to the vicarage of Camberwell
- 437 October 1276: composition made between Nicholas of Ely, bishop of Winchester and the prior and convent of Bermondsey concerning procurations.
- 592 Second copy of same.

REGISTRUM HENRICI WOODLOCK 1305–1316, ed A N Goodman (Canterbury & York Soc, 43, 44) Oxford 1940

- 81 15 December 1305: Mandate to the dean of Southwark in pursuance of a writ received this day, to defer till after the octave of St Hilary all proceedings against the prior of Bermondsey.
- 212-3 30 September 1307: Commission to settle a dispute about a presentation to St George's Southwark. Addressed to Henry subprior of St Mary's Southwark, the re case between William de Alyngio clerk at the church of St George through the prior and convent of B patrons on one part and Peter de St James in possession on the other.
- Same date: citation of the present holder of St George's to show why the presentee of Bermondsey priory should not be admitted to the benefice. Peter de St James claims to hold canonically.
- 229-30 12 March 1308: appropriation of Beddington church at the next vacancy to its patrons, the prior and convent of B in consideration of losses suffered by flood. Addressed to the prior: references to desire to undertake repair of the said ruin. (Situation apparently dire); grants profits of the church *in proprios usus vestros hospitum ac pauperum ac infirmorum ad domum vestram frequencius confluencium libere et absque cuiusdam contradictione convertere valeatis*; with provision for a vicar.
- 241 19 January 1308: monition to the prior of B to pay before Candlemass the papal subsidy of one tenth due from the church of Camberwell. Otherwise the priory will be reported to the Crown for persistent disregard of excommunication and refusal to appear and show cause of their long default.

- 245 1 February 1308: mandate to the archdeacon of Surrey in pursuance of a writ to refrain from the exaction of a tenth from the priory of B until the fortnight of Easter and meantime withdraw from sentences of excommunication.
- 395 20 November 1309: SMMB, Rotherhithe, Beddington, Okkele: rectors and vicars all owe cash to the king
- 437 28 April 1310: sequestration of small tithes at Dorking and Ashted for debts. References of sentences of excommunication against the prior of B and the rectors of the churches of Fecham and Okkele for clear rebellion and resistance.
- 727 Inductions:
- 28 October 1307 Beddington Mr Thomas of Kynington p&c Bermondsey
patron: the bishop
- 5 December St George Southwark William de Alingyo ck p&c
Bermondsey
- 734 28 January 1311 Rotherhithe John of Tocham sd p&c Bermondsey
- 743 25 April 1315 Asshely V (Hants) John Patrik pr p&c Bermondsey
29 May St MMB Simon of Lanselle ck p&c Bermondsey
- 872-3 15 February 1315: ordination by the bishop of Annaghdown at B (apparently nobody from B itself)
- 902 8 December 1305: Exchequer *respectus* deferring to the octave of St Hilary the demand of the Crown upon the prior of B for £18 17s and releasing sequestrations, if any, of his goods. Because by special grace of the king an allowance must be made for to the prior on account of the flooding of his lands by the Thames. Writ reached Waltham on 15 December.
- 915-6 2 July 1306: Return. £4 7s raised. We have desisted at present as instructed from raising the prior of B's due. The remainder we have so far failed to raise owing to open resistance. On a roll enclosed herewith we send the names of resisters and non payers.
- Exchequer *respectus* for £18 17s 7³/₄d granted to the prior of B till a fortnight after St Michael, with release meantime of any sequestration of his goods. Because in the aforesaid sum an allowance must be made for the flooding of the Thames of lands of the prior's whereon he is charged with the tenth.
- 954 6 March 1309: 6s raised from the goods of the parson of *Ruthercherche* and sent by bearer. The rectors of Codintone, Chalvetone, Wodetone and Okham have paid their money and hold acquittances. The rector of Camberwell, viz the prior of B, and the same prior for the pension of Beddington and also for the pension of the portions of Beddington, also the rectors of Fecham and Okkele, resist us and our servants as before, and we have therefore excommunicated them.

992 Farnham, 27 December 1315: Aid of a tenth for three years imposed by the late Boniface VIII. Prior of B to pay £18 19s. Those claiming to have paid already to show acquittances at the Exchequer of the morrow of St Hilary, to receive justice. Money to be paid at St Swithun's Winchester on the morrow of Circumcision, so that the bishop may answer the king. Notes that these persons have been under excommunication for a year and more; to appear at St Swithun's to show cause against a letter being sent to the king's majesty for their arrest.

797 23 September 1307: Ralph de Bermondsey: deacon

817 22 February 1309: Fr Henry de la Haye, monk of Bermondsey: acolyte and subdeacon.

818 Ditto: Frs Richard de Farindone and Nicholas de Londonia, monks of Bermondsey: subdeacons.

820 Ditto: Frs Geoffrey de Folham and Arnald de Nyreis, monks of Bermondsey: priests

THE REGISTER OF WILLIAM EDINGTON, BISHOP OF WINCHESTER 1346–1366,
ed S F Hockey

vol 1 (Hants Record Office, 1986)

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43 Ordinations at Southwark include subdeacon: John de Newport, monk of B [1346]

91 Admission of William le Taillour priest as rector of the church of Rotherhithe, presented by pr and conv of B. Southwark 25 May 1346

331 Adm William de Ware clerk to SMM Bermondsey, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey, Esher 22 January 1349

334 To the priors of Merton and Southwark re the provision of Richard de Wynewyk, poor priest of Lincoln dioc, with a benefice at collation of Bermondsey. Farnham, 29 March 1345

354 Institution of Thomas de Subby' priest to the vicarage of Camberwell presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey, Esher 15 February 1347

- 363 Adm of Evrard de Pratell', alien, to the church of St George next the Bars, Southwark, vacant by death of William the last rector, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Esher 20 February 1349
- 500 Adm of John de Faryndon' priest to the vicarage of Warlingham, vac, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey, Southwark 5 May 1349
- 801 Adm of John Clerc of Camerton pr as rector of the church of St Mary Magdalene B presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Southwark, 18 December 1350
- 850 Adm of Richard de Wellesburn pr as rector of Warlingham vacant, at presentation of Ralph earl of Stafford, patron. Southwark, 23 October 1351. Error
- 929 Thomas de Sudbur' lately vicar of Camberwell exchanges benefices with Edmund lately rector of St Mary Drogheda, presented to Camberwell by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Esher, 21 December 1352
- 968 Exchange between Edmund Barneby perpetual vicar of Camberwell and Thomas de Mottyngre rector of St Margaret Pattens. Southwark 4 December 1353.
- 1256 Adm of William Arvel pr to the church of Rotherhithe, vac, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Shere 14 June 1361.
- 1431 Adm of William Aubrey to the church of Beddington, vac, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Southwark, 23 December 1361
- 1540 Exchange between Thomas de Mottyngre vicar of Camberwell and Everard Volet rector of St George Southwark. Resignations received; instituted. Southwark, 25 October 1362
- 1555 Institution of Richard atte Mulle of Henley, pr, as vicar of Camberwell, vacant by resignation of Everard de Pratell' last vicar, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Esher, 12 January 1363
- 1673 Exchange of benefices; one Simon Blake rector of SMMB and John Larkyn vicar of East Malling admitted, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Southwark 13 February 1365
- 1679 Adm William de Walton pr to vicarage of Warlingham, vacant by resignation of Thomas de Olneye, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Highclere, 9 March 1365

part 2

- 51 Grant of a faculty to consecrate an altar in honour of SS Lawrence and Denis in the conventual church of Bermondsey for Benedict bishop of Cardicensis; also for portable altars. Southwark, 31 December 1346
- 433 Commission from the bishop, as deputed by Holy See, to provide a benefice for Thomas Grys, poor priest of Chichester diocese, presented by prior and convent of Bermondsey. Esher, 18 March 1363
- 446 Licence for an oratory for Matilda countess of Salisbury for her manor of *la More* near Bermondsey. Valid one year. Esher, 18 December 1363
- 609 Prior and convent of Bermondsey hold in the archdeaconry of Surrey the church of Warlingham and the chapel of Chelsham 27m; appropriated church of Camberwell 24m; pensions of 2m from church of SMMB, 20s in St George's Southwark; 20s of Rotherhithe and 100s from the church of Beddington.
- 703 Orders conferred at St Mary Southwark 10 June 1346: acolyte: William Pack' monk of Bermondsey
- 710 Deacon: John de Tudenham, dioc Norwich, at tit. prior of B
- 711 Priest: Fr John de Burgoyne, monk of Bermondsey
- 726 17 March 1347: subdeacon: John de Rendelsham dioc Norwich ad tit pr. B;
- 727 Deacon: William Pack, monk of Bermondsey
- 728 Priest: William de Neuport, monk of Bermondsey
- 734 26 May 1347 Deacons: Peter de Secthille, Roger de Dunham, monks of Bermondsey
- 791 19 December 1349: acolyte: William de Preston, monk of Bermondsey
- 796 20 February 1350: acolytes: William de Preston, Henry de Kynewardiston, Thomas Honyng, monks of Bermondsey
- 797 Subdeacon: Germanus de Jernemuta, monk of Bermondsey
- 810 22 May 1350: deacon: Peter de Alta Petra, monk of Bermondsey
- 811 Priests: Thomas Onyng', Henry Martyn, monks of Bermondsey
- 821 18 December 1350: priests: William de Preston, monk of Bermondsey
- 868 19 March 1356: subdeacon: Geoffrey, monk of Bermondsey
- 888 23 December 1357: acolyte: Fr Otho de Sancto Meremo, monk of Bermondsey

- 895 Deacons: Ralph Humptyng of Weldon, dioc Lincoln, ad tit. domus SSB
- 900 22 December 1358: deacon: Ottominus de Sancto Martino, monk of Bermondsey
- 901 Priests: John de Farnham, Geoffrey de B, monks of Bermondsey
- 935 23 September 1363: priest: John Ben, monk of Bermondsey

REGISTRUM THOME WOLSEY, ed H Chitty (Canterbury & York Soc) Oxford 1926

(xxi) Cases of religious houses in latter days selling the next presentation to benefices of which they had the patronage. Four cases mentioned here, one concerning Bermondsey, which granted the next presentation of Beddington to Sir Nicholas Carew, Henry VIII's Master of the Horse.

(127–8) Vacant by resignation of Mr Robert Barrett, Charles Carew, clerk was instituted on 24 March 1529/30, after a papal dispensation dated at Bologna on 17 October 1529. Charles was 13 and a bastard, the son of a married man and a single woman.

CHRONICI JOHANNIS DE OXENEDES, ed H Ellis, Rolls Series 1859 (Chronicles & Memorials, 13)

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1249 ... circa idem tempus abbates Nigri Ordinis, malentes visitare per se quam per alium visitatorem, convenerunt apud Bermundesheye die sancti Calixti pape [14 October] super reformatione ordinis sancti Benedicti diligenter tractatum habituri

THE HISTORICAL WORKS OF GERVASE OF CANTERBURY, ed W Stubbs, 1879–80

vol i

(160) Court at Bermondsey, 25 December 1154: ... ubi, cum principibus suis de statu regni et pace reformanda tractans, proposuit animo alienigenas gentes de regno propellere, et munitiunculas personas per totam Angliam solo tenus dissipare.

(277) Guerricus autem prior Bermundensis, electus ad abbatiam de Faversham, Cantuariam venit, archiepiscopo Ricardo professionem fecit, et benedictionis munus accepit.

(454–6) Abbot of Hyde and prior of Bermondsey sent to Canterbury on 11 August 1189 re the row between the archbishop and the Christ Church convent. Ended with Archbishop Baldwin restoring to the convent all manors, rents and possessions, to be held as in its charters, saving the rights of archbishop and convent.

vol ii

(77) Tenuitque rex novus curiam suam apud Bermundeseiam in die Natali Domini, eo quod regnum palatium antea fuisset combustum [December 1154] Ref to p 160.

Littere Cantuarienses

No entry for Bermondsey.

PASTON LETTERS AND PAPERS OF THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY, ed N Davis, Oxford 1971–76)

i.2 To an unidentified lawyer in Rome, 5 November 1425

Add 27443, f 78

On the recto a draft of a long Latin pleading concerning the abbey of B

i.529 (item 323) John P to Margaret P (his mother), 14 September 1465.

Prays she visits SSB ‘while ye abide in London’ and let his sister Margary go with her and pray she may have a good husband ‘or she come home again’.

ii.129 (item 536) from Sir John Fastolf to JP, 11 December 1455

asks JP to come with Lord Privy Seal and the abbot of B for a certain matter of great charge.

John Stow: A survey of London, ed C L Kingsford (Oxford, 1908 repr 1971)

i.22

In the yeare 1122. the 22. of Henrie the first, Thomas Arden gaue to the Monkes of Bermondsey, the Church of S. George in Southwarke: and fiue shillings rent by the yeare, out of the land pertayning to London bridge

i.73

The third Schoole [after St Paul's and Westminster], seemeth to haue beene in the Monasterie of S. Sauour at Bermondsey in Southwarke: for the other Priories, as of Saint Iohn by Smithfield, Saint Bartholomew in Smithfield, S. Marie Ouerie in Southwarke, and that of the Holie Trinitie by Aldgate, were all of later foundation, and the Friaries, Colledges, and Hospitals in this Citie, were rayased since them in the raignes of Henry the 3. Edward the 1.2. and 3. &c. All which houses had their schooles, though not as famous as these first named.

ii.6

[Charter of William of Ypres to Holy Trinity, granting the farm of Queenhithe] that they shall send euery yeare twentie pound vnto the maintenance of the Hospital of St Katherens, which hospitall they haue in their hands, and 100. shillings to the monks of Bermondsey, & 60s to the brethren of the hospitall of saint Giles, and that which remayneth, the said Prior and Canons shall enjoy to themselues: Witnesses Richard de Lucie, Raph Picot, &c.

ii.52–3

Then haue ye from the entering towards the said Horsedown one other continuall streete called Bermondseye streete, which stretcheth south, likewise furnished with buildinges on both sides, almost halfe a mile in length, vp to the late dissolued Monasterie of S. Sauour called Bermondsey. And from thence is one long lane (so called of the length) turning west to saint Georges church afore named. Out of the which lane mentioned, Long lane, breaketh one other streete for that it is the way leading into that countrie: and so haue you the bounds of this Borough.

The antiquities most notable in this Borough are these: first for ecclesiasticall, there was Bermondseye, an Abbey of Blacke Monkes...[churches include] saint Mary Magdalen by the Abbey of Bermondsey.

ii.56

Next is the Bishoppe of Winchesters house, or lodging when hee commeth to this Cittie: which house was first builded by William Gifford Bishoppe of Winchester, aboute the yeare

1107. the seuenth of Henry the first, vpon a plot of ground pertayning to the Prior of Bermondsey, as appeareth by a writ directed vnto the Prior of Bermondsey, as appeareth by a writ directed vnto the Barons of the Exchequer, in the yeare 1366. the 41 of Edward the 3. (the Bishops sea being voyde) for 8.l due to the Monks of Bermondsey, for the Bishop of Winchester's lodging in Southwarke. This is a very fayre house wel repayred, and hath a large Wharfe, and landing place called the Bishop of Winchester's staires.

ii.60

Ouer against this Suffolke place, is the parrish church of S. George, sometime pertayning to the Priorie of Barmondsey, by the gift of Thomas Arderne and Thomas his sonne, in the yeare 1122.

ii.63

And then Theeues lane by S. Thomas Hospitall: the hospitall of Saint Thomas, first founded by Richard Prior of Bermondsey, in the selerers ground agaynst the wall of the Monasterie, in the yeare 1213. He named it the Almerie, or house of the Almes for conuarts and poore children, for the which ground the Prior ordained that the Almoner should pay ten shillings foure pence yearly to the Selerer at Michaelmas.

But Peter de Rupibus, Bishop of Winchester, in the yeare 1215 founded the same againe more fully for Canons Regular, in place of the first hospitall: he increased the rent thereof to three hundred fortie foure pound by the yeare: thus was this Hospitall holden of the Prior and Abbot of Bermondsey, till the yeare 1428, at which time a composition was made between Thomas Thetford, Abbot of Bermondsey, and Nicholas Buckland, master of the sayde Hospitall of Saint Thomas, for all the landes and Tenements which were holden of the sayde Abbot and Couent in Southwarke, or elsewhere, for the olde Rent to bee payd vnto the said Abbot.

[Monuments in the Hospital church]

ii.66–8

Beyond this [Battaile] bridge is Bermondsey street, turning South, in the South end whereof was sometime a priory, or Abbey, of saint Sauior, called Bermonds Eye in Suthwarke, founded by Alwin Childe, a Citizen of London, in the yeare 1081.

[details of early arrangements, benefactions, including:]

In the yeare 1094. deceased Alwin Childe founder of this house. Then William Rufus gaue to the Monkes his mannor of Bermondsey, with the appurtenances, and builded for them there a great new Church...

(67) In the yeare 1165. King Henry the second confirmed to them the hyde or territory of Southwarke, & Laygham Wadden, with the land of Coleman, &c.

In the yeare 1371. the Prior^{<ie>} of Aliens throughout England being seized into the kings hands, Richard Denton, an English man, was made Prior of Bermondsey: to whome was committed the custody of the said Priory, by the letters patents of king Edward the third, sauving to the king the aduowsons of Churches.

In the yeare 1380. the fourth of Richard the second, this priory was made a Denison (or free English) for the fine of 200. Markes, paid to the Kings Hanaper in the Chauncery. In the yeare 1399. Iohn Attelborough Prior of Bermondsey was made the first Abbot of that house by Pope Boniface the ninth, at the sute of king Richard the second.

In the yeare 1417. Thomas Thetford Abbot of Bermondsey, held a Plea in Chauncery against the king, for the Mannors of Preston, Bermondsey, and Stone, in the county of Summerset, in the which sute the Abbot preuailed and recouered against the king.

In the yeare 1539. this Abbey was valued to dispend by the yeare, foure hundred seuentie foure pound, fourteen shillings foure pence halfe penny, and was surrendered to Henry the eight, the 31. of this raighe: the Abbey church was then pulled downe by sir Thomas Pope knight, and in place thereof, a goodly house builded of stone and timber, now pertayning to the Earles of Sussex.

There are buried in that church Leofstane, Prouost, shriue or Domes man of London 1115. Sir William Bowes knight, and Dame Elizabeth his wife. Sir Tho. Pikeworth knight, Dame Anne Audley: George sonne to Iohn Lord Audley, Io Winkefield Esquier. Sir Nicholas Blonket knight, Dame Bridget wife to William Trussell, Holgraue Baron of the Exchequer, &c.

Next vnto this Abbey church, standeth a proper Church of saint Mary Magdalen, builded by the priors of Bermondsey, (68) seruing for resort of the inhabitants, (tenants to the prior or Abbots neare adioyning) there to haue their diuine seruice: this Church remayneth and serueth as afore, and is called a parish church....

But in the yeare 1550. King Edward the 6. for the summe of 647. pound two shillings and one penny, payd into his Court of Augmentations, and reuenewes of his Crowne, granted to the Mayor and Comminalty, all his lands and tenements in Southwarke, except and reserued the capitall Messuage, two mansions called Southwarke place, late the Duke of Suffolkes, and all the gardens and lands to the same appertaining: the Parke and the Messuage called the Antilope. Moreouer he gaue them the Lordship and Mannor of Southwarke, with all members & rights thereof, late pertayning to the Monastery of Bermondsey...

- 5 Order had 35 subordinate houses in England, and three affiliated in Scotland. Barnstaple the first established. The Vicar-General in every instance was the prior of St Pancras of Lewes, notwithstanding the Cluniac abbeys of Bermondsey and Paisley.
- 13 (1262 Visitation) 'cell of Bermondsey' ... having ascertained the exact truth as to the observance of the convent's statutes and rule, the result of such enquiry showed that all devotional offices and rites were most prooperty and becomingly (14) performed; that silence, the correction of what is amiss or required reform rigidly obeyed, and that almsgiving and hospitality are there carried out according to established customs. The indebtedness of the house amounts to 266m. There are 32 monks and one lay-brother.
- 16 (1275) 29 December made visitation of the cell of B, where there are 20 monks. House is burdened with debt to the extent of 1000m silver owing to different creditors. In addition to this it pays an annuity of £100 to one of the king's chaplains in perpetuity, viz to himself, his successors; irrespective also of five estates alienated by one of its priors: *Towic* (?Todwick, Yorks), *Habingeburi* (Hallingby, Herts); *Wideford* (Widford, Essex, Herts), *Richemunt* (Surrey), *Benenio* (? Bennington, Herts). The visitors on the part of la Charité have already made their visitation of it before we came, and had corrected everything that was to be amended.
- 20–22 (1279) by the priors of Mont-Didier (Amiens) and Lenton (Notts). On 29 July arrived at B in which cell, as a rule, there ought to be 32 brethren but at this time not more than 18. Asked the prior and convent why the number had diminished; prior said they were overwhelmed with debt and so by orders of diocesan and wish of abbot some the monks had withdrawn. 'Original' debt of house was 1700m; now 2300m. Prior told that in view of fewer monks should have diminished debt not increased it. Convent admitted it receives 100m plus pa from official receivers and rent collectors from properties, done with a view to reducing the debt; 'a thing never heard of before'. So they had received 400m and almost another 100m (21) and prior had sold property called Ompton (Hampton?), which the purchaser was to hold in fee, and for this he received upwards of 500m. Prior John also received 700m from Adam de Straton for a wood called Chavor, and something 'underhand or not straightforward' about this. Also received 600m for sale of other woods, and £8 for sale of rents, property at Richmond worth 600m, and he purchased a property called Bearmont (? Beaumont, Essex), which he afterwards sold for 500m.

The brethren live correctly and in accordance with the rule of the order, and their sacred and devotional offices are becomingly performed. The necessaries for subsistence of the fraternity, in grain and stock, were sufficient until the time of the next harvest.

Prior, after assuming temporalities in succession to his predecessor Gilbert appears to have administered the convent's affairs and its property badly enough, taking

over the house at that time with a debt of 300m to 400m, but subsequent to the time of Prior Henry, things went from bad to worse; he augmented the pecuniary obligations of the convent by 2300m on his own showing and admission (22). The state of this house is simply deplorable. Whatever the said Prior John might say, or promise, there are four properties or manors entirely made over to this same Adam de Straton, and he is only under obligation to reduce the convent's debt by 1500m.

- 29–30 Re Wenlock (25 August) complaints about difficulties in getting the truth about debts out of English monks. Greater loss and complications will arise at Wenlock and Bermondsey if the present prior (apparently of Wenlock) remains at his post. He sells and alienates what he can. In an underhand way is manoeuvring to get himself elected to Rochester and make himself independent of Cluny.

St James of Derby, a cell subordinate to Bermondsey. Prior and two monks. Prior good and exemplary, and one of his colleagues chaste and honest, but not the other one, whom we have expelled and sent to do penance at B, and another substituted in his place. When the prior first came the debt was 40s and is now (31) £4 10s because the house had no assets of its own. On the point of getting in the harvest, which will support him till next season. The conventual buildings are sufficiently good, but the roof of the church is in bad repair, and we have told him to get a new roof on it.

- 39 (Collation of undated references to visitations in the period 1298–1405)

At Bermondsey the number of monks should not be less than 24. Five masses are celebrated daily, as set forth in the table of lessons; three of them with chant and two said, though in former times there were six. Hospitality, almsgiving, silence, and all other monastic obligations and duties, as enjoined by the rule, are well observed.

Charters and records of the ancient abbey of Cluni, 1077 to 1534, ed G F Duckett (1888)

- i.232 Item 455: letter to the abbot of Cluny from the prior of Lewes, 9 August 1412: reference to Henry Tomstone, abbot of B

- i.237 Ditto

- ii.37 Document of Robert Amicel, prior of Lewes, reporting how the abbot of Bermondsey refuses to acknowledge his jurisdiction in respect of his own house, not very long before it was erected into the rank of an abbey, although duly summoned by the prior of Lewes. (Original text on p 57; dated 15 July 1434).

Remaining references are to the Latin texts of the visitations etc translated into English by Duckett in *Visitations* above. But also:

194 MS Lat 5459, p 232 no 449

f 232 Delegate commissioned to proceed to Cluny from St Saviour's B in order to bring the deplorable conditions (bordering upon bankruptcy) of that house before the Chapter General, for its consideration and decision, *c.* 1237–8.

201 Item 441. Excuse from the prior of Bermondsey for inability to attend Chapter General, 1238.

209 (*c.* 1450, cf 214)

CARITATE In the priory of Bermondsey immediate subdito prioratui de Caritate in quo debent esse XXIII monachi, et debent ibi esse omni die V misse (as before)

Record-evidences among the archives of the great abbey of Cluni from 1077 to 1534, ed G F Duckett, London 1886

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