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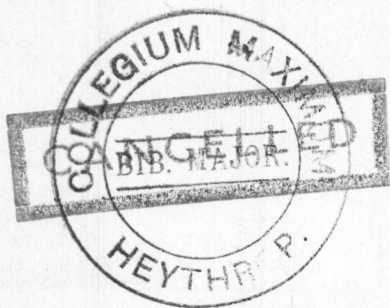
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PREFATORY NOTE.

THE following pages have been transcribed from several manuscript volumes, preserved in the Bodleian Library and in the British Museum, which contain notes on most of the Oxfordshire parishes. The earlier collections are the work of Anthony à Wood (1632-1695), the well-known antiquary and historian of the University, who also made preparations for a history of the county. Richard Rawlinson (1690-1755), the Non-juring bishop, was also deeply interested in topography and archæological pursuits, and in collaboration with other workers he arranged much material in continuation of Wood's collections. On his death his MSS. relating to these subjects, besides a large number of other works, were bequeathed by him to the Oxford Library, where they are still preserved. In the present issue the notes have been arranged under the parishes in alphabetical order, and when complete they will probably extend to three volumes. At the end it is hoped to add some appendices dealing with the MSS. and their contents.

ADDERBURY.

[*Rawl. B. 400 f. fo. 58.*]

East and West is in Two Divisions and maintain their Poor separately. This Estate laps'd by the Death of the late Earl of Litchfield (being the 3rd Life) into the hands of the Bp. of Winchester, who sold it to the Duke of Argyle the present Possessor. £500 per ann. Purchase £8000. The Living is in the Gift of New Coll. Oxon. It is an endow'd Vicaridge of £300 per ann. Incumbent, Mr: Chancellor Loggan. The Church is large and Beautiful, 6 Bells. Sr. Edward Cobb has a good Seat here. Impropiator of Bodicott and Adderbury. Wake kept 6 weeks before Michaelmas. Bodicott, Little Barford, and Milton all belong to the parish of Adderbury. The Manor House here is but one Moiety, the D. of A. [*Ends thus.*]

[*Rawl. B. 400 b. fo. 122.*]

In the Chancell against the south wall a marble monument whereon have been severall portraitures, but are broken off, on it is this inscription:—

Here lyeth buried the body of Alice Cobbe widow sometime wife of Will. Cobbe Esq. descended from the antient family of the Cobbs of Sandringham in the Countie of Norfolk, by whom shee was the Mother of 16 children 7 sons and 9 daughters, all of which shee lived to see buried, but 3 only, the right worshipfull Sr William Cobb kt. her onely son and dame Catherine who married to Sr George Russell of Bedfordshire kt. and dame Margaret who married to Sr. Rich Cholmley of Yorkshire kt. She lived a maid

19 yeares, a wife 26 yeares and after her husband's death who deceased in Octob. 1598 shee lived a widdow 30 yeares, having performed the parts both of a constant loving wife, and a kind carefull mother, resting now with the Almighty, whom her greatest care was ever to serve and feare. She died 23 of Octob. an. dom. 1627.

At the top of the Monument are these armes: Sab., a chevron between 3 fishes (Pickering's) naiant embowed arg., a chief or, quartering (1) Arg., a fess gules between 3 ravens sergrent sab. (2) Sab., 3 potts arg. (3) Arg., a fess between 6 fleurs de lis gules. (4) Az., a cross patee flore between 4 estoiles, or. (5) Cobb with mantling and crest, an elephant passant, or.

Round the monument are several impalements belonging to the family of Cobbe, as Cobbe impaling Ryvett, Cobb imp. Brereton, Cobb imp. Le Butler, Cobb imp. Gayton, Cobbe imp. Leach, Cobbe imp. Sterling, Cobbe imp. Wylde, Sr Will. Cobbe imp. Lloyd,—Stone imp. Cobbe, Russell imp. Cobbe Barneley imp. Cobbe, Mrs Winifred—a blank imp. Cobbe, a blank imp. Mrs: Alice Cobbe, etc.

On a gravestone in the chancell this inscription:—

Hic jacet corpus Edmundi / Birch Lancastrensis artium /
Magister, qui obiit 16 die / Aprilis et anno aetatis / 62 an.
dom. / 1620 / qui Edmundus Birch fuit / informator publicae /
scholae de Adderbury.

In the east window of the chancell is New College Arms.

On a brass on the ground:—

Orate pro animabus Mri. Whyth et Alicie uxoris sue
hujus ecclesie benefactorum quorum animabus, etc.

On a brass in the north cross ile is the proportion of a woman, and under her this inscription:—

Here lyeth Jane Smyth sometyme the wyf of / George
Smyth of Adderbury the whiche died the xxx [sic] day of
February in the yere of our Lord / M^oV^oVIII on whose soule
Jhesus have mercy, Amen.

On another brass adjoyning this:—

Hic jacet Rogerus Welles quondam mercator hujus ville
/ et benefactor specialis istius ecclesie ac etiam Johanna et
Agnes / uxores ejus quorum animabus propitietur Deus,
Amen.

In a chappell on the south side of the church is a great stone monument, whereon is this Inscription in caps. :—

Neare unto this tombe lyeth buried the / bodies of John Bustard Esquier and / Elizabeth his wife and Jane Bustard / wife to Anthony Bustard sonne and / heir to the seid John ; which John hadd by the said Elizabeth xvii children / and the said Anthony by the said Jane xi/children and the said John died an. dni. 1534, the said Elizab. an. 1517 and the / said Jane dyed ao. 1568. Blessed are the dead / that dye in the Lord for they do / rest from their labours. Apocap. xiiii.

Above all these armes : On a bend between 3 roundlets, 3 bustards (a bord. ingr.) betw. 3 unicorns heads erased.

Upon a tablet against the western wall of this chappell is the picture of a table, at each end of it a man and a woman praying, upon the table the portraiture of a sceleton lying along over it is this :—

Data sunt ipsis quoque fata sepulchris. Under it this : So far is ought from lasting aye / That tombes shall have their dying day.

Above the said Table are these verses in cap. :—

Wee have been flesh and blood wee are but bones
And lye for other flesh to take their view,
Our sides were never brass, our strength not stones,
Wee could not choose but bid the world adieu,
Farewell then sister flesh and think on us,
No odds but nine ; we are thou must be thus.

Over these verses are two angels tending and pointing towards each other. By one of them is this : (vive pius morere pius), by the other this (omnis scribitur hora tibi). On the one side this coat of arms : Arg., on a fess gules between 3 pellets 3 bustards or, a bord. ingr. vert. ; on the other, Arg. 9 martlets, 3 3 3 gules, and 2 bars vert. Over the latter coat this : The fleeting streame not hast so fast. Over the other coat this : That earth I was is gone and past. By the former verse an hour glass, over it this : More fluentis aquae. By the latter verse a death's head, over it this : Quasi moriturus vive. Over all these coats of armes : Arg., 9 martlets, 3 3 3 gules, and 2 bars vert., impaling Bustard. The coat is a meermaid holding in her right hand a mirrour, in her left a combe. Under all this : This is the representation of Thos. More, Gent. who /

deceased 2 Jan. 1586 and of Mary his wife daughter to / Anthony Bustard Esq. who caused this monument to be made in / testimony and certaine beliefe of the resurrection of their bodies / which are laid hereby.

On a pillar at the lower end of the church is this engraven in capitals: Near this font / lyeth Elizabeth / wife to / Richard Blount and / John Horne Esquiers / heir to Delaforde and mother to Jane / Bustard which / Elizab. died an. dom. 1554. Over itt are these armes: A chev. between 3 pheons impaling a pale.

Armes in the windows of the chappell on the south side of the church: 1. Arg., 6 fleurs de lis or. 2. Erm., a chief arg.

3. Or, a cross ingr. sab.
4. Chequy or and sab., a fess gules.
5. Bl. semi de lis, a canton erm.
6. Bl. semi de lis.
7. Or, fretty and a cheif arg. thereon 3 bezants.
8. Sab., a cross fleury between 4 lions ramp. arg.
9. Sab. fleury and a lion rampant arg.

In a window in the north Isle, France and England twice. Or, fretty and a cheif sab. thereon 3 bezants twice.

At the west end of the church on a free stone grave stone in caps: Hic jacet Sethus / filius Cyril Beawe S.T.P. / Hujus eccl. vic. / qui obiit 13 Martii / Ætat 6^{to} / anno. Dom. 1677.

On another: Anna filia / Rob. Parsons clerici / et Margaretæ uxoris / suæ quæ obiit / 4^o Aprilis / anno ætatis 1^o / 1648.

Other monumental inscriptions are:—

Margaret, wife of Raleigh Hall of Milton and daughter of Dominic and Margaret Prestage of Quainton, Bucks; buried 4 Feb. 1699.

Johanna, wife of Christopher Doyly, died 25 Sept. 1703 in her 44th year.

Dame Christian 3rd. daughter [*unfinished*].

On a small stone freestone tablet over the Porch of the south door in capitals: Anno domini 1624 / and in the raine of / our soveraigne / Lord King James the / first of England 22.

ADWELL.

[*Rawl. B. 400 f. fo. 28.*]

W. Newell Ld. of the Manor; Incumbent, D^r Rye of Oriell Coll. Oxon. A rectory of about £40 per annum.

[*Rawl. B. 400 c. fo. 31.*]

Monumental Inscription in the chancel :—

Christopher Newell M.A. for 46 years rector, who died Aug. 1678.

In the church :—

Henry Franklin who died 31 May 1663 aged 33 years, and his wife Anne who died 6 January 1708 aged 78 years. There are four English verses.

ALBURY.

[*Rawl. B. 400 b. fo. 192.*]

A painting on the wall of the chancel records the memory of three wives of Samuel Kem B.D. rector, viz. : Anna, daughter of John Ball citizen and skinner of London ; Jemimah eldest daughter of Herbert Pelham Esq. of Lincolnshire and Teriars Court Essex ; Mary daughter of Samuel Bridger Esq. of Dursley, Glos. Also Bazill and three other children (unnamed) of Mary. There are fourteen English verses. Arms :—

Ball : a fess between 3 fire-balls.

Pelham : Bl., a fess between 3 pellicans arg. wounded ppr.

Bridger : Arg., a chevron ingrailed sab. between 3 sea crabs gules.

This Samuel Kem was buried by these his wives Oct. 24th 1670 leaving behind him a young widow, with whom he had a good fortune, but left her nothing.

In the chancel on a brass plate under the figure of a priest holding in his hands a chalice, on which is a consecrated host, and under his feet this inscription :—

Hic jacet dns. Johes. Bowles nup. Rector istius ecclesie de Aldebury qui obiit Ao. dni. MCCCCxvij cujus anime deus propitietur.

ALKERTON.

[*Rawl. B. 400 f. fo. 63.*]

Situate on a hill. Ld. of the Manor and patron William Townshend yeoman, a rectory. Incumbent Malachy Pointer M.A. of Merton Coll. Oxon. instituted 17¹⁰/₁₁. Church tolerable, dedicated to St. Michael, 4 bells. Wake kept the Monday after Trinity Sunday, of old us'd to be the Sunday after Michaelmas day. Lydiatt author of canon. chronologicae, rector of this place. Lydiatts owners here till the Burdens. A small piece of ground call'd Church Lands, the income [—] for the repair of the church, but it was misapply'd to ease the taxes.