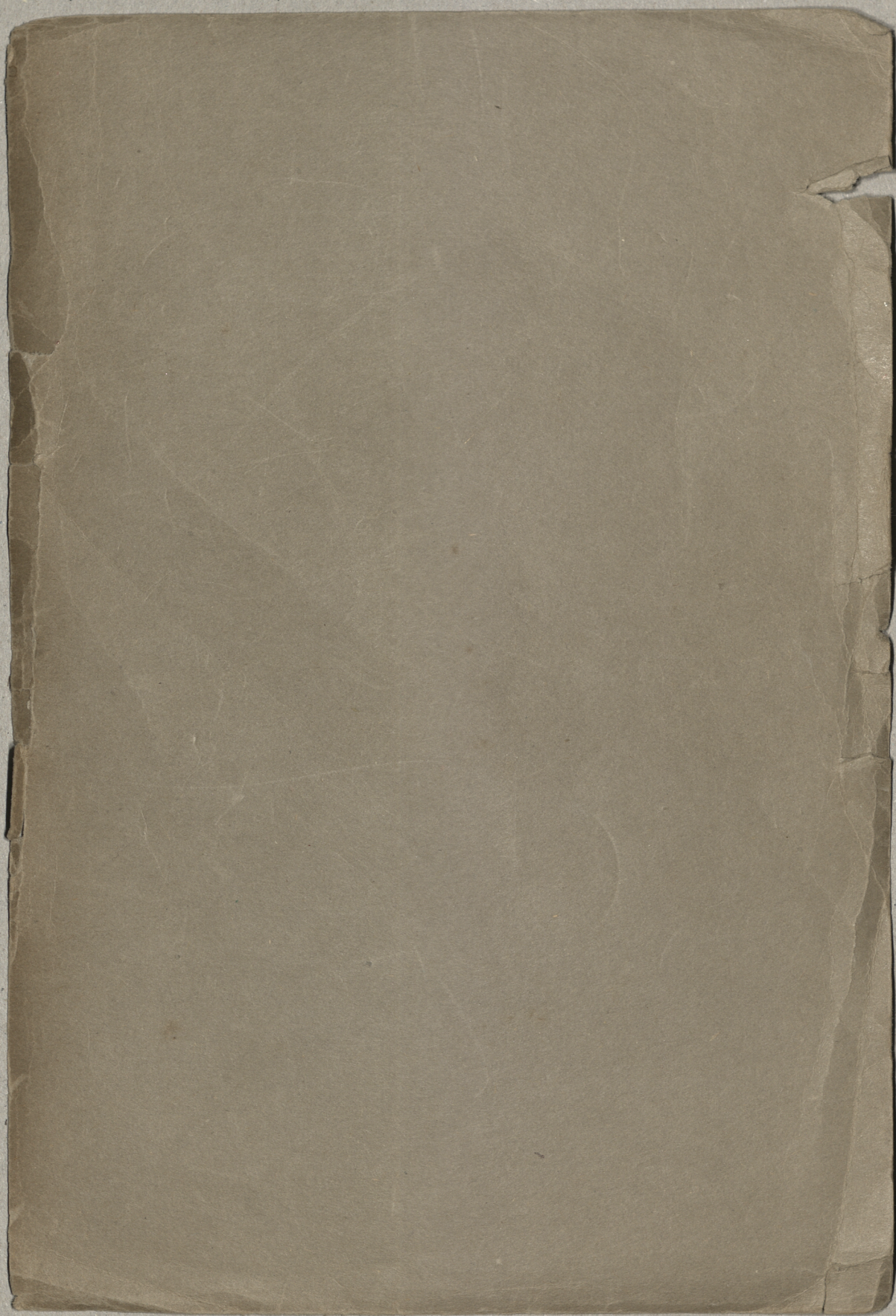




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INTRODUCTION.

PART II.

The proceedings recorded in this Act Book were mainly the outcome of presentments made at the Archdeacon's bi-annual visitations. It is unfortunate that no articles of enquiry for 1583-1584 for the diocese or archdeaconry of Oxford are known to survive¹; but to a great extent they may be inferred from the cases which came before the Court as a result of them; and, as elsewhere throughout the reign, they would be largely influenced by the Royal Articles and Injunctions of 1559, supplemented by the Admonition of 1560, the Advertisements of 1566 and the canons of 1571. It is against the background of these regulations that the cases should be considered, for the wider significance of ecclesiastical court records lies precisely in the material they provide for the study of the actual execution of administrative orders.²

No one reading the present volume can doubt that at all events in the archdeaconry of Oxford in the year 1583-1584 there was a serious effort to make these orders effective. The supervision of all classes, the clergy, the church officials and the ordinary laity was thorough-going, and the business of the court was pursued with diligence and in detail. The administration of the diocese was indeed efficient during most of the reign, but even so, this particular year is to some extent exceptional. Archbishop Whitgift had just begun his vigorous rule and was already making his influence everywhere felt: not least in the diocese of

¹ The only known Elizabethan set of articles for the Oxford diocese or archdeaconry is Archdeacon Drury's (?) for 1593, printed in W. P. M. Kennedy, *Elizabethan Episcopal Administration*, III, pp. 268-70 (Alcuin Club Collections, xxv-xxvii).

² See for these orders W. H. Frere and W. P. M. Kennedy, *Visitation Articles and Injunctions of the period of the Reformation* (Alcuin Club Collections, xiv-xvi) and W. P. M. Kennedy, *Elizabethan Episcopal Administration*.

Oxford. Following the issue in October, 1583, of his celebrated articles and a letter to all the bishops containing a scheme of reform and asking for particulars of the state of the church and clergy, the Archbishop addressed another letter of the same import to Dr. Griffith Lloyd, guardian of the spiritualities during the vacancy of the see.¹ The results are reflected in the present Act Book: compared with other similar books of the period the volume of business is considerably larger and there is much evidence of increased care both in presentment and in the prosecution of cases.

How far does a record such as this represent the actual state of affairs? This is a big question and a much wider study of ecclesiastical court records generally is first required before sound canons for their criticism may be evolved. But towards an answer I would put forward a few elementary considerations.

First there are the actual conditions in which churchwardens and ministers framed their presentments. They were dealing with tiny worlds where each was intimately known to each; nothing could be hidden from them; and they could not have been uninfluenced by the gossip which prevailed in small communities then as now. The churchwardens had but a brief authority: a short time and they reverted to the ranks. And if while in office they were exposed to abuse, when out of it they might expect retaliation: there were many temptations to turn the blind eye and the deaf ear.

In the proceedings themselves, in the presentments which were actually followed by citations to court, there is a striking lack of uniformity. Emphasis appears to have been laid upon different faults at different times in different places: in fact something very like "campaigns" seem to have been held.

¹ For the articles see J. Strype, *Whitgift*, I, pp. 228-32; for the letter to the bishops, *ibid.*, p. 223; for the letter to Dr. Floyd, *ibid.*, pp. 234, 235. It may be mentioned that there appears to be no record of any ecclesiastical commission for the diocese of Oxford: R. G. Usher, *The Rise and Fall of the High Commission*, p. 268. Sir Francis Knollys of Rotherfield Greys was a member of the High Commission of Jan. 7, 1583/4: Usher, *op. cit.*, p. 253. He intervenes in one case in this book.

Again it is impossible to regard as innocent all those who were dismissed or (especially) those who were declared to have purged themselves. The judge of a spiritual court was no more fallible than the judge of any other and the system itself had flaws.

But, taking these factors into account and bearing in mind that penal court records of any kind admittedly deal with the less reputable side of life, at the same time making allowance for the checks and balances which obtained in the 16th century country parish, I think we have here what is, upon the whole, a remarkably faithful record and one moreover from which it is possible to gather facts which are typical for the diocese as a whole.

In the discussion which follows the cases are arranged according to the classes of the persons accused and within that according to the types of offence. The clergy and church officials are dealt with in some detail. The cases used as illustrations are chosen because they require an explanation or reference or identification of some kind which could not be included in the footnotes to the text which are reserved in the main for textual matters; and because at the same time they are typical.

THE CLERGY.

Act books of church courts are pretty sure guides on all matters to do with the clergy, for of all people they were the least likely to escape notice and detection. The incumbents were usually of a far better type than the curates, who were often half-literate, ill-paid hirelings constantly on the move from place to place.¹

We have two cases of neglect of church services on weekdays; there is none of neglect on Sundays. Thomas Elye, curate of Horsepath, admits the charge but pleads the legitimate excuse that he is a student in Oxford.² John Wheeler, the Puritan

¹ The constant changes of curates is shown very clearly by the Archdeacon's visitation book for 1578-1585 (Bodleian Library, MS. Archd. Papers, Oxon. e. 11). Incidentally, act books such as the present are a useful source for the recovery of names of curates when there are gaps in the usual sources; e.g., there are no curates' licences in the Oxford diocesan registers before 1745.

² Elye does not appear under any form of the name in Foster.

curate of Hanwell, is accused of not reading services on Fridays and Saturdays.¹ It is interesting to notice that the churchwardens refused to present him : Hanwell under the Copes was probably puritan to a man.

The charge of serving two cures is brought against the vicar of Churchill, Richard Bagley, and Hugh Richards, curate of Goring. Bagley admits that for two years he has been serving Sarsden as well as his own parish and is admonished not to do so. Richards, accused of serving also at Basildon, just over the river in Berkshire, says that having been asked to do the duty by the vicar of Basildon who has long been troubled either with " matters of lawe or sicknes " he did so now and then, but only so that service was performed in both places " in good and convenient tyme daylie."

There is only one case of neglect to wear the surplice² and that is not one of downright refusal. Richard Bagley, the vicar of Churchill just mentioned, says that he sometimes wears it and sometimes does not. He is admonished to wear it regularly. It looks like a case of slackness. Usually, but by no means always, disuse of this vestment may be taken to imply puritanism, and we might have expected more trouble over it in North Oxfordshire. But apart from Banbury and the immediate neighbourhood I do not think that the puritans were anything like as strong in this district as is often supposed. The many evidences—there are some in this book—of a clinging to old ways and beliefs point all the other way.

Throughout the reign great stress was laid upon the regular preaching of the quarterly sermons. There is but one case of neglect of them here : that in which John Wright, curate of

¹ The Royal Injunctions of 1559 ordered services on Wednesdays and Fridays. Saturday seems to be specially mentioned first by Grindal in 1571 when he ordered Evening Prayer " every Saturday and holy even " : Frere and Kennedy, *op. cit.*, III, p. 274.

² The surplice was a large garment in those days and costly to provide. It had to last a long time in most parishes and some of the clergy probably rather shunned it when it got shabby. For a good illustration of an Elizabethan surplice see Vernon Staley (ed.), *Hierurgia Anglicana* (1904), III, plate iv.

Stanton Harcourt, explains that although the sermons are not preached in South Leigh chapel, they are in the parish church. As for South Leigh, Wright says (speaking on October 3) that there had been a sermon by Master Emmott¹ before Midsummer ; and further that the Catechism is taught and shall be taught in the future "so farre forthe as tyme and leasure shall serve him." It is impossible to say whether neglect of teaching the catechism had also been alleged : if so it is the only case in this book. But the fact that such an indifferent answer was accepted by the judge is instructive : it goes with other evidence to show that in spite of frequent enquiries there does not seem to have been any such marked insistence upon the regular teaching of the catechism in this diocese as we find later under Laud.²

Marriage in the prohibited seasons was not forbidden by any Reformation or post-Reformation canon or constitution, but the older canon law was widely obeyed and questions were asked on the subject in several known sets of visitation articles.³ Thomas Bradlie, curate of Charlbury and John Higgins, curate of Chadlington, are accused of marrying in Advent. We may take this as almost certain evidence of the puritanism of these two clergy, for among the puritans the observance of the rule was regarded as popish.⁴ Incidentally we may also infer that one of the Oxford articles dealt with seasons of marriage.

¹ Emmott was one of the superior types of the Elizabethan clergy who probably sometimes supplied quarter and other sermons for 'insufficient' and non-preaching ministers. He was Vicar of Eynsham. It is interesting to find him preaching a special funeral sermon at Standlake : Oxon. Archeol. Soc. *Report* for 1914, pp. 196, 197.

² The act book of the Archdeacon of Oxford's court for 1633-1634 (Bodl. Lib. MS. Archd. papers, Oxon. c. 12) shows this very strikingly.

³ A proposal that it should be lawful to marry at any time of the year failed to pass Convocation in 1562 : Strype, *Annals*, I, ii, p. 564 ; but a canon permitting marriage at all seasons was passed by Convocation in 1575, although it failed to obtain the royal assent : Cardwell, *Synodalia*, I, p. 133. Whitgift held definite views on this subject, and, as we have seen, the diocese of Oxford came under his direct influence. We find him in this very year (1584) complaining to the Queen of the House of Commons that "they have passed a bill giving liberty to marry at all times of the year without restraint, contrary to the old canons continually observed among us" : Strype, *Whitgift*, I, p. 391.

⁴ No. 20 of Cartwright's articles propounded at Cambridge in 1570 ran, "Matrimonium certis quibusdam anni temporibus interdicere papisticum est" : Strype, *Annals*, I, i, p. 475.

Lewis Evans, the rector of Ducklington, is called to answer for the sad condition of Cokethorpe chapel.¹ Through his curate, John Floide, he admits that it is in "great decay" and has been so "ever since the suppression of the abbeyes." He pleads that he is not bound to do the repairs as Cokethorpe is but a chapel of ease. We are fortunate in having the record of a visitation of the archdeaconry in 1540.² From it we learn something of the state of the chapel and that repairs were by custom the responsibility of the rector of Ducklington. The window of the chancel above the sacrament of the eucharist was then said to be broken so that the rain fell within a foot of the sacrament "*culpa magistri doctoris Leson rectoris de Ducklyntone qui ex antiqua legitimaque prescripta consuetudine dictum cancellum reparare tenetur.*" The case is an interesting sidelight on the fate of chapels of ease generally at this time. Throughout the country many were destroyed or allowed to fall into ruin. But in the 1580's there were signs that the authorities were trying to put a stop to this³ and the case about Cokethorpe is perhaps a hint that some such efforts were being made in Oxfordshire.

Neglect of chancel repairs is also alleged against the rector of Noke, Robert Warland; and Hugh Henshaw, rector of Mixbury, has to answer for his share of the church mounds.

As will be seen later, there is a good deal of evidence in this book of the careful enforcement of the rules safeguarding marriage. John Foxley, vicar of Beckley, is the only cleric directly involved and he denies that he solemnized matrimony between a couple at Dumbleton (Glos.), in Binsey or elsewhere.

¹ For the chapel of St. Mary the Virgin, Cokethorpe, and Eynsham, see H. E. Salter (ed.) *Cartulary of the Abbey of Eynsham* (Oxford Hist. Soc.) I, p. 13; II, p. lxxiv.

² See H. E. Salter, "A Visitation of Oxfordshire in 1540," *Oxon. Archeol. Soc. Report* for 1930, p. 299. Printed also in A. Hamilton Thompson, *Visitations in the diocese of Lincoln, 1517-1531*, *Lincoln Rec. Soc.*, Vol. xxxiii (1940), I, pp. 119-40. For an analysis of this visitation see G. G. Coulton, *Mediaeval Panorama*, p. 176.

³ e.g. One of Middleton's articles for the diocese of St. David's (1583) asks, "Whether any chapels of ease . . . have been pulled down?": Kennedy, *op. cit.*, III, p. 144.

Turning to the moral faults of the clergy, there are five accused of incontinence. The curates Robert Hiat of Bampton and Richard Palmer of Brize Norton seem to have been a bright pair. We first find them mixed up in an unseemly row with William Woodward on the way from Lew to Bampton ; then later Hiat is involved with one Jane Pusie and is paying for her child's maintenance, and Palmer is in trouble over a certain Dorothy Maye.

The case against Richard Bagley, vicar of Churchill, is confusing. It is not certain that he was guilty, for although there is no record that he purged himself as ordered, we find him entered as dismissed. Shortly after, however, he gravely certifies the performance of the woman's penance.

Mr. Wright, vicar of Lewknor, is cited for allowing the misbehaviour of his servants while they were under his roof. Whether he knew about it or not we cannot tell, but the case is a small indication of the standards of " respectability " demanded of the parochial clergy.

The curate of Horton, Henry Wise, is dismissed on the charge of incontinence ; then he answers *seriatim* to indictments which no doubt reflect one or more of the Oxford enquiries as to clerical behaviour. He denies that he is a quarreller, tables player, dice player or given to ribald talk ; and is dismissed with a monition.¹

The offence of Roger Norwood, rector of Rowsham, is the somewhat unusual one of keeping a church bible for his own use : if he wanted it for study surely very excusable. But it shows how jealously church property was guarded, for every penny counted when the income at the disposal of most villages was very small and left a very narrow margin.

THE CHURCHWARDENS.

The churchwardens were the most important officials in the

¹ Note how closely Wise's answer follows the Injunction of 1559 : cf. Frere and Kennedy, *op. cit.*, III, pp. 2, 11. Tables was a popular game of chance resembling backgammon. See for a description Strutt, *Sports and Pastimes* (1833), p. 319 ; and " The Mediaeval Game of Tables," *Med. Aevum*, X (1941), pp. 57-69.

parish, for upon them chiefly fell the responsibility of its good government. In this volume we see them about their manifold duties.

One of the most important of these was the maintenance in good repair of the church fabrics. Orders on this subject are constant throughout the reign and great efforts were made for the improvement of the deplorable state in which the churches were at the beginning of the reign—and later, for besides previous long and gross neglect the iconoclasm of the early 1560's left deep scars on walls, windows and sanctuary floors. It is clear that much had been done towards betterment in Oxfordshire by 1584.

It may be well to point out that when in visitation and court records a church is said to be "in decay" or "ruinous" or to have this or that amiss, we should not at once assume the worst. After all, there are few churches even to-day which have not something broken or missing somewhere. And in fact, most of the defects reported in this volume are minor ones.

At Wigginton the churchwardens confess to "decay" but say they are already doing repairs which will be completed within three weeks.

The trouble was a little more serious at Ipsden. At first it was alleged that the north side was "almost downe and unslatted," but when the churchwardens appear at the next session it turns out that what was amiss on the north side of the church was a building which was in a bad state because there was now no use for it and the timber had been used to repair another house for the parish. We probably have here an old and a new church house. It was the church itself which was unslatted. The wardens admit this and are ordered to rectify the matter before Michaelmas.

In six churches there are alleged to be broken windows, but in all save one it appears upon examination that the damage is not extensive. The windows at Spelsbury are "sumwhat in decaye"; at Charlbury it is asserted that they are "repayred sufficientlye";

at Chadlington the windows are admitted to be broken, but the churchwarden who appears undertakes that they "shal be shortlye repayred"; at Wood Eaton it is protested that the windows are in good condition "other than the lack of a quarell or suche a like thing"; at St. Peter's-in-the-East the only disrepair is "a hole or two made by lewde children with throwinge of stones," and a glasier has been seen about it. On the other hand much attention is needed to the windows of Eynsham church, for repairs were necessary twelve months before and nothing was done. However, one of the wardens appears on the next court day and promises amendment.

At Spelsbury, Charlbury, Chadlington and Shorthampton there are no sentences of scripture painted on the walls.¹ This evidently was ordered throughout the country; although there was no mention of it in the Royal Articles and Injunctions of 1559 it was prescribed in several dioceses from 1552 onwards, and it is an indication of previous general practice that these sentences were ordered by the canon of 1604.²

The churchwardens of Pyrton are charged with failing to certify the carrying out of repairs which had been ordered. It is one of the many examples of how closely the court pursued the details of a case.³

The keeping of the churchyard fence in order must have been a troublesome business for the churchwardens even where the apportionments were set out in writing, as they probably were in many places.⁴ There are faulty "mounds" reported from Wolvercote and Wheatley.

¹ The painting of scriptures on church walls seems to have been the outcome of Edwardian policy: cf. Frere and Kennedy, *op. cit.*, II, p. 354, n 2. It became the general practice.

² No. 82.

³ In cases to do with repairs it is instructive to refer to the appropriate churchwardens' accounts wherever possible, e.g., for Pyrton in 1584 see F. W. Weaver and G. N. Clark (Editors), *Churchwardens' Accounts of Pyrton, Marston and Spelsbury*, Oxon. Rec. Soc. VI (1925), p. 75.

⁴ For an example (one of the few printed) see *Trans. Essex Archeol. Soc.* XIX, pt. 2, new ser., pp. 123-125, where the apportionment of the churchyard fence of Great Tey among 53 persons is printed from a copy made in 1668 of an arrangement which can be traced back to the 15th century.

At Wheatley the chapel also needs attention in tiles, glass and stonework.

Another duty of churchwardens was the provision of church furniture and goods.¹ This was particularly onerous during the reign of Elizabeth when several items which have since become characteristic of the English church had then to be found new. Wardens tended to let things like this slide and to leave the unpopular task of levying special rates to their successors.

At Hardwick a bible is lacking and at Elsfield there is no "convenient seat" for the minister. A bible in English was required by the sixth Royal Injunction of 1559, following the Injunction of 1547 and the Act of 1538. It was a costly item, especially for a small place, and the rector, Henry Buckley, undertakes to provide a bible himself. We may speculate about the version. There is at least the possibility that it was the very popular Genevan version which was issued in a convenient size and at a reasonable price: Mr. Buckley may even have had a copy to spare. As for the minister's seat, the first official order was in the Advertisements of 1566 which prescribed that the Common Prayer should be said or sung decently in a convenient place to be decided by the Ordinary. It appears from the well-known paper submitted by Parker to Cecil in 1565² that there was much variety in the placing of the seat. The Advertisements by leaving the matter to the discretion of each bishop did not make for any greater uniformity and for many years the varieties continued. This case from Elsfield gives a hint of the arrangements in the diocese of Oxford, for we learn that the churchwarden is ordered to make within a month a seat for the minister "prope cancellum."

¹ A useful guide in following cases about church furniture is M. H. Bloxam, *Companion to the principles of Gothic ecclesiastical architecture*, Chap. 2, "Of the changes in the internal arrangement of churches in and subsequent to the reign of Edward VI" pp. 87-224: still one of the best historical accounts. See also J. C. Cox, *English Church Furniture* (Methuen's Antiquary's Series) and H. Gee, *The Elizabethan Prayer Book and Ornaments*.

² B.M., Lansdowne MSS. viii. 7. Often printed, e.g., H. Gee, *Elizabethan Prayer Book*.

The responsibility of preserving reverence and decency in the church and the churchyard rested also primarily with the churchwardens.¹ In spite of prohibitions which have a history long before Elizabethan times churchyards especially continued to be used for all kinds of mundane purposes, and old customs died hard. In this book we find the churchwardens of Bourton called to answer for allowing dancing and bowling in the churchyard; those of South Stoke and Goring are charged with allowing people to dance and pigs to dig there; at Goring there is bowling also. The Goring wardens confess and are dismissed with a monition; from those of South Stoke a denial is accepted and they are dismissed.

A most interesting case is that in which John Castell and Robert Mesie, wardens of Duns Tew, are before the court for allowing interludes and plays in the church, for brawling about the same with "one old Poulton" and for tolerating shooting and gaming in the churchyard during evening prayer on the wake day. The wardens, appearing on October 31, admit that there was an interlude played in the church on a Saturday about three weeks or a month before, but they profess to be ignorant of the players' names, although they say that the play was performed with the consent of Robert Mesie. As for the brawling, they deny it, but John Castell says that Poulton called him "false forsworn knave" and had "burdened" him for presenting his (Poulton's) daughter as a scold: a sidelight, one of several in this book, on what churchwardens had to put up with in the course of their duty. The last part of the charge is admitted and the deposition tells us that "upon the Sundaye after our first Laydie daye² being theire wake daye"³ certain strangers from neighbouring villages were shooting in the churchyard in the time of divine service.

¹ By 5 and 6 Edw. VI, c. 4, brawling with words only was punishable by suspension; if accompanied with blows the punishment was excommunication.

² *i.e.*, the first Lady Day in harvest; the other was the feast of the Nativity of the B.V.M. (Sept. 8): see J. M. Neale, *Essays in Liturgiology*, (1863), p. 526.

³ Duns Tew wake was on the Sunday after the feast of the Assumption (Aug. 15).

Churchwardens certainly had their work cut out if they attempted to keep the more exuberant spirits of the parish within decent limits during the festivities of wake days and of Christmas, Whitsuntide and Midsummer when all restraint seems to have been thrown to the winds.¹ Evidently the wise men of Wootton made no such effort. We find them called to account for failing to present "evell rule done in the churche by the lord and ladie on Midsomer day." They reply that they had no lord or lady and that they know of no disorder other than that on Midsummer day the youth of the place were "sumwhat meerie together in crown-ing of lordes."² The case is dismissed without a monition: the judge no doubt felt with the wardens that there were times and seasons.

The framing of presentments must indeed have been a troublesome business and there were many temptations to shelve tricky questions. There are only three cases in which the wardens are bluntly accused of not presenting at all. These come from Hook Norton, Stoke Lyne and Pyrton. The charge against the wardens of Brize Norton is worded differently but comes to the same thing, while from Swerford the return of "omnia bene" is not accepted.

The accusation that Thomas Bennett of Shifford allowed young men to keep ale for their own use seems more properly to do with the secular side of a churchwarden's activities. Bennett denies it, but mentions that a certain John Buttler has a justices' licence to sell ale. This is a case on the border line between the temporal and spiritual jurisdictions. The granting of ale-sellers' licences was certainly the business of quarter sessions, and the churchwarden is involved here probably in connexion with his duty of seeing that there was no tippling in service time.

At South Leigh the churchwardens are involved in a case which

¹ For the excesses connected with these holidays see Philip Stubbs, *Anatomie of Abuses*, first published in the year before the proceedings recorded in this book (1583). It forms a useful "companion" to our text at many points. Church ales were especially associated with the Oxford district. For church ales and Whitsuntide see J. Brand, *Popular Antiquities of Gt. Britain*, ed. W. C. Hazlitt (1870), I, pp. 155-62.

² For "lords and ladies" see Strutt, *Sports and Pastimes*, (1838), pp. 341, 342.

presents some unusual features. At a Christmas communion the curate, John Wright, being about to administer the bread, opened the paper containing it and found there only a bowstring. William Waklet, the warden who provided the bread, is called and protests that he duly delivered it to the parish clerk. How the bowstring came to be there remained a mystery. Why was it put there? Possibly a mock consecration was intended: such acts of blasphemy were then becoming common among the more extreme puritans. Or it may be that it was only a prank.

THE LAITY.

Attendance at church on Sundays and holy days by everyone, together with the reception of the Holy Communion at Easter by all over the age of 16 years was consistently enforced; indeed to secure this was one of the first aims of ecclesiastical administration.

Mostly, then as now, absence from both the ordinary church services and from holy communion might be put down to slackness; and often, of course, there were good reasons for absence, like the "occasion of busines verie earnest" pleaded by a Kingham man named Hadland who admitted that he was absent on the Sunday "before St. Hughes daye last," adding that "willfullie he doethe never absent himselfe." An unusual reason for not receiving the holy communion in his own parish church is submitted by Richard Turland of Bloxham who says that he went to Kings Sutton because on account of his inability to say the catechism by heart the vicar of his own parish would not allow him to receive there.¹ Turland asserts (possibly bearing in mind the Royal Injunctions of 1559 which he would be somewhat familiar with from having heard them read in church) that he is not by law bound to do this, but that he can and does read the catechism; and he is dismissed. In some cases absence may be due to recusancy, but as we know

¹ But Bishop Chaderton in his articles for the diocese of Chester in 1581 asked if any had been admitted to the holy communion who could not say by heart the Lord's Prayer, the articles of faith and the ten commandments: Kennedy, *op. cit.*, II, p. 114. There may have been a similar enquiry in the Oxford articles.

that the number of "church papists" was large, it is difficult or impossible to be sure about any individual instance.

Reception of the holy communion was a more crucial test, and we know that the excuse put forward by Christopher Boreman of South Newington, that he is not in love and charity with his neighbours, was a stock one with Roman Catholics¹; but again we cannot be certain, especially as Boreman is careful to add that he does not stay away out of any scruples of religion. In any case, the archdeacon's court was concerned very little with recusants at this time: they were dealt with elsewhere, the poorer sort at quarter sessions—in so far as they were troubled at all—and persons of importance before the High Commission and the Privy Council.²

For the question how far the twelvepenny fine ordered by the 1559 Act of Uniformity for absence from church was actually enforced, the evidence in the deposition of Alice Jordeyne of North Aston may have some slight significance. She says that she spoke certain words in anger to the churchwarden because he took away a posnet belonging to her mistress "for a distresse because she came not to churche." This seems to show that churchwardens were sometimes, at any rate, prepared to go to extreme lengths to enforce the fine.

Before leaving the subject of church attendance, mention must be made of the very interesting monition of Winifred Fuller of St. Nicholas' (now St. Thomas'), Oxford, not to "goe to the colledges upon anie Sondag or holidayes at the tyme of devine service *sub pena juris*." The origin of the presentment for this offence is probably the Royal Letter which forbade colleges and cathedral closes to women.³ Dr. Frere says this order had little

¹ Cf. N. Birt, *The Elizabethan Settlement of Religion* (1907), p. 52 (quoting B. M. Harl. MSS. 1221, No. 5): "His (i.e. the papist's) main subtlety is to shift off the communion, for which he is never unfurnished of a quarrel, and he will be sure always to be out of charity at Easter."

² Cf. N. Birt, *op. cit.*, p. 403 (quoting Strype, *Remains of Archbishop Grindal*): "I am informed that the diocese of Oxford is more replenished with such recusants [i.e., such as could be mulcted] for the quantity thereof than any other diocese in the Kingdom."

³ The Letter is in Strype, *Documentary Annals*, LIX.

or no effect upon visitation articles and injunctions¹; but this case may mean that in fact it was reflected in the Oxford articles, and raises the speculation whether a similar question may not have been included also in other sets not at present known.

One of the chief causes of unseemly behaviour in church, of which there are many examples here, was the fairly common wrangling about seats. The holding of certain places in church went with the occupation of certain houses and lands in the parish; and if anyone who had no right to do so ventured to sit in one of these reserved seats there was liable to be trouble.² The tangles that could arise over seating rights are illustrated in several cases, perhaps the most interesting being that in which the two great families of Peniston and Stanley were involved at Eynsham.³

As for the free sittings that remained it was yet another of the churchwardens' duties to allocate these according to the status of the parishioners; and people were expected to sit in the seat assigned to them and nowhere else. One example must suffice. In St. Ebbe's Church at Oxford, there was a deplorable scene when the churchwardens put Margery Hopkins, being a freeman's wife, into the best part of the seat which Barbara Nicholles had occupied by due appointment of the churchwardens for the past five years. The whole scene gives a most vivid insight into the church life of the time.

Another kind of disturbance came from "disguised persons." They might be classed with the lords of misrule who were

¹ Frere and Kennedy, *op. cit.*, I, p. 161.

² The sexes were generally separated, and all were seated with a rigid regard to social status. A good idea of the arrangements obtaining in Oxfordshire may be inferred from a document in an early 17th century formulary among the Archdeaconry records entitled *Intimacio omnibus qui contra allocacionem sedilium in ecclesiam obicere volunt ante confirmacionem*: Bodl. Lib., MS. Archd. Papers, Oxon. e 3, fo. 71. A useful work for following seating cases is Alfred Heales, *History and law of church seats and pews*, 2 vols. (1872); see also W. J. Hardy, "Remarks on the history of seat reservation in churches," in *Archæologia*, 2nd ser., III (1892).

³ The case is against Thomas Peniston, junior. For the Peniston family at this time see M. D. Lobel, *History of Dean*, Oxon. Rec. Soc. XVII (1935), pp. 16, 73, 82, 95, 98; and for the Stanley family, E. K. Chambers, *Eynsham under the Monks*, Oxon. Rec. Soc. XVIII (1936), pp. 41, 42, 83.

sometimes allowed at holiday times to go dancing and playing in churches with unseemly jests and ribaldry.¹ We have what is perhaps an example of this in the case against the alemen Richard Pyme and John Darlinge of Blackthorn, who admit that on Tuesday in Whitsun week during sermon time one William Powell's man of Horton came into church "with a paynted cloth on his back."

Misbehaviour and "brawling"—with or without blows—and scolding in the churchyard were very common: which is not to be wondered at when we remember that it was the regular meeting place for the settlement of all kinds of parish affairs. But the three men of Eynsham, William Boulton, Philip Pikes and Thomas Buckingham were apparently not guilty of any offence when they met in the churchyard on Lammas Day or Eve and discussed the putting of cattle into a Lammas land and the laying down to hay of their meadows.² They explain that there was merely a disagreement and they are dismissed.

The little scuffle in Stratton Audley churchyard between Matthew Alder and George Duckett might have been more serious and in court it is actually called a "fray"; but really it was only a tug-of-war for a citation and it was just bad luck that when both men fell Duckett hurt his face on a tree. Alder himself confesses all the details, piously adding—like most churchyard brawlers—that it all happened outside of the procession way.

Everyone had to take his share in one way or another in raising the parish funds. Until towards the end of Elizabeth's reign the money was usually found by indirect means, the most popular being the levying of a certain specified amount of wheat and malt to be used for the church ale. These functions were held as a rule during Whitsuntide and were great drinkings *pro*

¹ Cf. Kennedy, *op. cit.*, III, pp. 166, 228, 350.

² *i.e.* after being enclosed for hay, as these lands were from Candlemas (Feb. 2) to Lammas day (Aug. 1), when they again became common and were re-let. Lammas tide was a time of settlement. For the Eynsham Lammas lands see E. K. Chambers, *op. cit.*, pp. 36, 43, 56, 66.

bono publico. From the depositions of Edmund Harris of Bampton it appears that the churchwardens were expected to go round and collect the malt and wheat : just one more of the many jobs which fell to them.

Sundays and holy days had also to be strictly kept by abstention from servile work ; the canon law distinction between *opera servilia* and *opera liberalia* was still observed. After service in church people went to their sports and games as they had always done.¹ The various excuses put forward for working are often illuminating on the social and industrial life of the time. Especially interesting are the references to the woollen and brewing industries at and around Oxford.² Cuthbert Atkinson of St. Peter's in the East says that in winter he sets his rack (i.e. the frame on which cloth was stretched) on Sunday mornings before service as do "moste of the fullers in Englande . . . because otherwyse they cannot kepe promise with theire customers, for that there is somtymes scarce one fayre daye in a whole weeke." The three Charlbury weavers Yewyn Bustian, John Blackamore and Richard Toolie are dismissed although they confess to slight infringements ; so is Thomas Ricotes of Combe who admits that on several Sundays he weighed out wool and took it to Cirencester.

The maintenance in good repair of the churchyard fence, rails, wall, or "mounds" as the boundaries were called in this part of the country, was by custom the responsibility of the occupiers of certain tenements or lands in the parish, each of which had its allocated portion. We may be sure that only a very newcomer like Anthony Perime at Checkendon was ever able to plead ignorance of his duty : it was the kind of thing an occupier would not be left in the dark about for long.

¹ Cf. W. P. Baker, "The Observance of Sunday," in *Englishmen at work and play*, ed. R. Lennard, p. 81. For a useful general survey see T. D. Whitaker, *Sunday in Tudor and Stuart times*.

² For Oxford and the wool trade see Andrew Clark (ed.), *A. Wood's City of Oxford*, I, pp. 495-497. Oxfordshire was noted for the excellence of its wool : in 1513 it ranked as the second county in England for production : V.C.H. *Oxon.*, II, pp. 187, 188.

Lay rectors were, of course, responsible for the repair of the chancel. Edmund Maunde of Horton returns the sufficient answer that the chancel at Chesterton is no longer any concern of his as the advowson now belongs to New College, Oxford.¹

Another source of income were the offerings made in church, especially following the celebration of the holy communion. The case against Richard Alder of Headington is interesting in that he complains of dues being asked while the people were kneeling at the communion. He calls it an "undecent and unreasonable request" and argues that therefore he is not bound to pay. No sentence or monition is entered.

So much for the people's duties. We now turn to their more private concerns.

The charge against William Bigges of Horton is the only one of words spoken in contempt of the court. Not that there was little resentment felt against the church courts and all their ways : there was plenty of it. But in 1584 it was as well not to be too vocal about complaints of this sort. It is disappointing that we are not told what Bigges actually said : we have probably lost rather a gem.

A very large proportion of the cases which came before the ecclesiastical courts were to do with immorality in some form or other. It must be said at once that no valid argument can be founded on statistics formed from these cases, however carefully they may be worked on. But from the incidence of cases we do see how thoroughly the lives of the people were overlooked. The depositions are often valuable for the light they shed upon social conditions ; and they have a jolly Rabelaisian kind of humour which some find very entertaining.

A vivid and complete little picture emerges from the deposition in which Anne Wrigglesworth of Islip denies the making of

¹ The advowson of Chesterton passed to New College by purchase from Lord Williams of Thame in 1559.

defamatory rhymes. The making of rhymes about all kinds of subjects on all sorts of occasions was a very old and widespread custom.¹ They were often invented on the spur of the moment. Probably specially good efforts would stick in the memory and be repeated: Anne Wrigglesworth says she heard this one from Robert Nevett on the way to Oxford market at Christmas time.

Whatever we may think now of the efficacy of the courts christian, the Elizabethan church authorities were confident that they did indeed work *pro salute animae*; and when the whole ecclesiastical judicial system was attacked by the Puritans one of the stock arguments in its defence was that without the church courts in a licentious age passions would go altogether unbridled and vice would run rampant. There is an echo of this in the defence of Thomas Lever against the charge of saying that half the children of Kingston (Blount) were bastards. He pleads that he was only repeating what he heard a preacher at Paul's Cross say about a certain diocese, namely that there were a number of bastards in it and that but for punishment more than half the children in a parish would be bastards. The sermon was possibly one in support of church courts against those who would have abolished them.²

The case against John Planstofer of Bicester is an amusing and instructive one of abuse of the clergy. The defendant says that on Sunday, May 3, he was sitting "on his block at the church wall" when Mr. Phipps, the vicar, passed by in the company of a preacher named Saule, and hearing Saule use the words "plague of God," and thinking they referred to himself, he replied, "A plague on a knave." The explanation sounds rather too plausible. But if we assume that Saule was one of the very numerous itinerant preachers who roamed the country and were held in such general contempt, we have here a most interesting concrete

¹ Cf. C. H. Firth, "Ballads and Broad-sides" in *Shakespeare's England*, ed. G. B. Harrison, pp. 512-517.

² The pulpit at Paul's Cross was a regular medium for official propaganda.

example of the sort of reception they were liable to get in the parishes.¹

In matrimonial matters the canon law governed all transactions until Lord Hardwick's famous Act of 1753. Briefly, the essential requisite for a valid marriage was the mutual consent of the parties: "*consensus facit matrimonium*." Consent was signified by betrothal, which was of two kinds: *sponsalia per verba de futuro* and *sponsalia per verba de presenti*. These contracts had to be made in a public place and before witnesses, who were usually friends and neighbours of the couple.² At the same time, or sometimes before, tokens of goodwill were exchanged. Until Lord Hardwick's Act precontract was held as a ground for nullity of marriage and was alleged in breach of promise cases. The marriage had to be solemnized *in facie ecclesie*; otherwise, though valid, it was irregular. In the absence of the threefold publication of banns, a licence had to be obtained.

The part played by friends and neighbours is illustrated in the cases of John Stacie of Sandford and Edward Saule of Adderbury. A good example of a marriage contract comes from Tadmarton in the case involving Alice Butler and John Saman: it is a perfect example of a contract *per verba de presenti*. We have the actual words used and the names of the witnesses. The vivid little scene is completed with the entrance of the venerable old rector³ to make a solemn confirmation of the proceedings.

Also from Tadmarton comes a case of jactitation (or boasting) of marriage; but as both the parties deny that there had been any contract or even exchange of tokens they are dismissed.

¹ I cannot trace Saule in any of the known sources for the names of the diocesan clergy at this time. For itinerant preachers cf. A. Peel (ed.) *The seconde parte of a register*, I, p. 166 (under date 1584): "... many counties swarme with a number of mynisters going from county to county to offer their services, who, having once obtained a generall licence of any B(ishop) or Chauncelor to serve in that diocese, under color to seeke service thereby, going from place to place in miserable sorte, breede a sclaunder and contempt of their calling, and are made a common pointing and jestinge stocke to the scornfull adversarie of religion and atheist."

² For betrothal customs see J. Brand, *Popular Antiquities*, ed. H. Ellis (1849), II, pp. 87-88.

³ Thurstan Standish. He had been rector since 1546: see notes on the clergy.

The cases to do with wills in this volume have no special features of interest. They provide matter likely to be of use to the genealogist, and their incidence shows the wide range of business done in testamentary matters by an archdeacon's court in the course of a year. One reference which seems to call for a note concerns John Coles, junior, and his wife, of Kidlington, about the laying-in of security for their children's legacies. When the payment of a legacy was at a distant date—for example, one to a child upon reaching the age of 21—it was the duty of the parents or guardians to see that the executors gave due security.¹

Among the mass of the people in Oxfordshire there was a widespread clinging to customs associated with the old religion.² Ringing of bells on saints' eves and festival days, against which injunctions constantly inveighed, was one of them. Edmund Clement of Combe is charged with ringing in All Hallows day and excuses himself by saying that he did so because there was a bridal that day, and "not in anie superstition [nor] in anie contempte of the Queen's lawes." The charges of ringing for the "Queen's day" (i.e., her birthday, September 7) are in rather a different category. Robert Heines, the parish clerk of St. Aldate's, Oxford, explains that he caused the bells to be rung to try them out "agaynste the Queenes daye and for none other purpose"; and that when he was forbidden to do so by Dr. Kennall he "stayed the belles."³

There was quite a scene at the Queen's day ringing at Halton in the parish of Wheatley, John Cadburye, who was at the ropes, had left his hat on the font. The parson came into the church,

¹ Cf. R. Burn, *Ecclesiastical Law*, 4th ed. IV, pp. 306-311.

² Customs connected with the dead lingered longest of all. For All Saints' tide customs see J. Brand, *op. cit.* (ed. W. C. Hazlitt, 1870), I, pp. 213-220.

³ Sept. 7 is also the eve of Our Lady Day in Autumn. It is interesting to note that the archdeacon lived across the road in Christ Church: cf. W. H. Frere (ed.), *Registrum Matt. Parker* (Cant. and York Soc.), III, p. 1012; and in other act books we find sessions being held in his house there, e.g., session of Dec. 12, 1567, held "in domo solita eius infra ecclesiam cathedralem Oxon," MS. Archd. Papers, Oxon. c. 2, fo. 135b.

took the hat and threw it out of doors. Whether he did this because of the disrespect shown to the font or because he objected to the ringing or for what other reason we cannot say. But in any case Cadburye was so incensed that he bluntly told the parson "yf that he wolde serve him so in any other place he wolde give him a boxe on the eare."

The special observance of the other Queen's day, her Accession day, November 17, originated in Oxfordshire in about 1570.¹ It began with ringing and as time went on the celebration became more elaborate. There is another point of interest about this day. In local churchwardens' accounts towards the end of the reign the expenditure is described sometimes as for St. Hugh's day and sometimes as for the Queen's day. Both fell on November 17. The feast of St. Hugh had always been specially kept in his own diocese of Lincoln and it is possible that in these parts in the later 16th century the saint's feast gradually became "transferred" to the Queen's Accession day.

In many places "monuments of superstition" and proscribed church goods survived the constant searchings and successive waves of destruction through being hidden away by those who hoped for yet another turn in the religious tide. Occasionally cases about relics of this sort came before the courts and—especially when the depositions go to any length—we may be sure of finding some valuable information in the act books. Here from Churchill and from Souldern much detail is forthcoming. At Churchill three "copes or vestments," a chalice and two crosses² are mentioned; one of the crosses has been sent to a brass-founder's in Oxford to be turned into a sanctus bell. Souldern³ provides a longer list of goods which includes what must at one

¹ See E. K. Chambers, *Sir Henry Lee* [of Ditchley, Oxon.], p. 133; and the same author's *Elizabethan Stage*, I, p. 18.

² "Cross" in this connexion usually means a crucifix.

³ For Souldern and its continuous Catholic tradition, and for the Stuchberry mentioned in this case, see Mrs. Bryan Stapledon, *Post-Reformation Oxfordshire Catholic Missions*, p. 99.

time have been a considerable part of the church equipment.¹ There are candlesticks, a bason,² a crucifix, handbells, banner cloths, cross-cloths,³ a palm cloth,⁴ a chalice and an Easter sepulchre. It appears that the chalice had been sold seven years before and a communion cup bought.⁵ The sepulchre must have been one of the fairly common wooden ones, on a frame and movable, for we learn that it had been used to make a cupboard.

There are a large number of cases in which the charge is not named and we have to be content with some such tantalising phrase as "*prout patet per billam detectionis.*" It would be interesting if, for example, we could learn more about Richard Hanson who says that he had taken from Oriel College a lease of his shops adjoining St. Mary's Church,⁶ pays 10s. a year rent and is bound by covenant to maintain them. And it is a pity we are left in the dark about the Mores of Adderbury.⁷

¹ The inventory printed in Rose Graham (ed.), *The Edwardian Inventories of Church Goods*, Oxon. Rec. Soc. I (1919), p. 87. lists among other things "1 chalice of silver parcell guylte" and "2 candlestickes of brass"; but it is open to doubt whether they are identical with the articles named here, which may have been new things purchased under Mary.

² Used for the washing of the priests' hands at the altar.

³ Used for hanging on the processional cross.

⁴ A towel on which the priest wiped his hands at Mass: the modern purificator.

⁵ Grindal's Articles in 1576 contain the first definite inquiry about the provision of communion cups and covers.

⁶ Cf. C. L. Shadwell and H. E. Salter (editors), *Oriel College Records*, Oxford Hist. Soc., LXXXV (1926), pp. 72, 82-85.

⁷ There is a curious wooden tablet to this Thomas and Mary More on the wall in the south transept of Adderbury church. For a description see H. J. Gepp, *Adderbury* (1924), pp. 42-43.

NOTES ON THE CLERGY.

ABBREVIATIONS: Rep. = *Report* of the Oxfordshire Archeological Society. From 1911 to 1920 the Rev. S. S. Pearce contributed a series of invaluable articles on the Elizabethan clergy of the Diocese of Oxford, based mainly on the Episcopal and Archiepiscopal Registers.

V.B. = Archdeacon's Visitation Book, 1576—1585 (MS. Archd. Papers, Oxon. e. 11, Bodl. Library).

Reference should also be made to the Puritan survey of the diocese in 1586, printed in A. Peel, *The Seconde Parte of a Register*, Vol. II, where there are observations on many of the clergy mentioned below.

BAGLEY, RICHARD, vicar of Churchill ; instituted Nov. 21, 1581 (Rep. 1916, p. 20) ; died Oct. 1601 (*ib.*, p. 21).

BAYLIE, THOMAS, vicar of Waterperry ; inst. Feb. 6, 1567/8 ; successor, Thos. Thackwell, inst. Feb. 16, 1607/8 (Rep. 1920, pp. 266, 267).

BOYER, HUMPHREY, vicar of Churchill ; inst. Jan. 29, 1556/7 ; resigned, 1581 (Rep. 1916, p. 20).

BRADLEY, THOMAS, curate of Charlbury ; appeared at visitation in 1582 (V.B., fo. 129b), 1583 (*ib.*, fo. 207b), 1585 (*ib.*, fo. 245) ; in 1581 Thos. Bourne was curate (*ib.*, fo. 99b). Bradley continued to serve as curate at Shorthampton until 1594, though he was sometimes styled curate of Charlbury (Rep. 1916, p. 42).

BUCKLEY, HENRY, rector of Hardwick ; inst. May 29, 1582 ; still incumbent in 1593 (Rep. 1914, p. 218).

BUTLER, THOMAS, curate of Combe ; appeared at visitation in 1582 (V.B., fo. 144b), in 1583 (*ib.*, fo. 222b). In 1585 Geo. Haward was curate (*ib.*, fo. 233b).

DAVIES, WILLIAM, rector of Oddington ; inst. first, Nov. 16, 1571, second, Sept. 8, 1573 (Rep. 1913, p. 159) ; resigned, 1607 (Rep. 1914, p. 209). The second institution was for the confirmation of title.

DOTTIN, HENRY, vicar of Bampton (1st portion) ; inst. Feb. 28,

1558/9 ; died, 1595 ; successor, Robert Joyce, inst. July 14, 1595 (Rep. 1914, p. 183).

ELIE, THOMAS, curate of Horspath ; appeared at the visitation in 1582 (V.B., fo. 168b) ; not entered in 1583 ; in 1585 it is noted that there is no curate (V.B., fo. 265b).

EVANS, HUGH, vicar of Yarnton ; inst. July 10, 1579 (Rep. 1912, p. 93) ; died 1618 or 1619 (Mrs. Bryan Stapledon, *Three Oxfordshire Parishes*, p. 223).

EVANS, LEWIS, rector of Ducklington ; inst. April 27, 1568, probably remained until end of 1584 or early in 1585. Robert Harrison was inst. May 21, 1585 (Rep. 1914, p. 187).

FLOIDE, JOHN, curate of Ducklington ; appeared at visitations in 1582 (V.B., fos. 148b and 202b), in 1583 (*ib.*, 226b), 1585 (*ib.*, 236b).

FOXLEY, JOHN, vicar of Beckley ; inst. Aug. 26, 1564 ; died 1602 ; successor, Thos. Blades, inst. Oct. 27, 1602 (Rep. 1920, p. 274).

GILL, JOHN, vicar of Shipton-on-Cherwell ; inst. June 26, 1559 ; died Aug. 1587 (Rep. 1912, p. 99).

HENSHAW, HUGH, rector of Mixbury ; inst. June 29, 1559 ; died Feb. 1585/6 (Rep. 1914, pp. 210, 211).

HIGGENS, JOHN, curate of Chadlington ; appeared at visitations in 1578 (V.B., fo. 40), 1581 (*ib.*, fo. 100), 1582 (*ib.*, fo. 130), 1583 (*ib.*, fo. 208), 1585 (*ib.*, fo. 245b).

LAURENCE, ARTHUR, curate of Chalgrove ; entered as vicar at visitation of 1585 (V.B., fo. 271b), in error for curate : the vicar in 1584 was Giles Laurence, inst. July 7, 1573 (Rep. 1918, p. 174).

LOVELL, THOMAS, vicar of Bloxham ; inst. Oct. 16, 1579 ; successor, John Lancaster, inst. Jan. 1, 1596/7 (Rep. 1916, pp. 62, 63).

NEALE, JOHN, rector of Cottisford ; inst. Mar. 4, 1579/80 (Rep. 1914, p. 227) ; will dated Nov. 4, 1584, proved June 13,

1585 (*ib.*, p. 228) ; Perceval Hodgeson, formerly curate under Neale, inst. Jan. 20, 1584/5 (*ib.*).

NORWOOD, ROGER, rector of Rowsham ; inst. Sept. 28, 1573 ; resigned, 1598 (Rep. 1914, p. 226).

ORRELL, OLIVER, vicar of South Newington ; inst. July 24, 1578 (Rep. 1913, p. 157) ; died 1595 (Rep. 1916, p. 67).

PALMER, RICHARD, curate of Brize Norton ; does not appear in the V.B. In 1585 one — Spencer is curate (V.B., fo. 237).

PARKER, WILLIAM, curate of Bodicote (par. Adderbury) ; curate 1583 to 1596 (Rep. 1916, p. 71).

PHIPPES, ROBERT, vicar of Bicester ; inst. April 12, 1578 (Rep. 1914, p. 203) ; still vicar in 1593 ; successor John Payne, inst. May 16, 1594 (*ib.*, p. 204).

RAWLINS, CHRISTOPHER, vicar of Adderbury ; inst. May 12, 1554 ; died 1589 (Rep. 1916, p. 58) ; successor, John Pyme inst. Jan. 18, 1589/90 (*ib.*, p. 59).

RICHARDS, HUGH, curate of Goring ; appeared at visitation in 1585 (V.B., fo. 275) ; in 1586 Wm. Griffen is curate (Rep. 1918, p. 14).

SHEPHERD, JOHN, rector of Charlton-on-Otmoor ; inst. Feb. 15, 1580/81 ; died 1605 ; successor, John Harper inst. May 4, 1605 (Rep. 1914, p. 215).

STANDISH, THURSTAN, rector of Tadmarton ; inst. Mar. 27, 1546 ; no record when incumbency ended but probably continued till 1590, in which year Arthur Alvey was inst. Oct. 15 (Rep. 1916, p. 53).

TAILOUR, EDMUND, rector of Hethe ; inst. Aug. 1, 1580 ; resigned 1608/9 (Rep. 1914, p. 218).

WARLAND, ROBERT, rector of Noke ; inst. June 26, 1574 (Rep. 1920, p. 25) ; died 1636 (*ib.*, p. 252).

WHEELER, JONAS, curate of Hanwell.

WHITE, JOHN, curate of Idbury ; appeared at visitation in 1582 (V.B., fo. 133), 1583 (*ib.*, fo. 211), 1585 (*ib.*, fo. 247).

WHITE, LAURENCE, curate of Goring ; appeared at visitation in 1582 (V.B., fo. 177b) ; in 1585 Hugh Richards is curate (*ib.*, fo. 275).

WILLIAMS, MORGAN, rector of Swerford ; inst. Aug. 6, 1576 ; died 1609 (Rep. 1916, p. 23).

WISE, HENRY, curate of Horton ; appeared at visitation in 1585 (V.B., fo. 267).

WRIGHT, JOHN, curate of Stanton Harcourt ; appeared at visitation in 1578 (V.B., fo. 28b), 1581 (*ib.*, fo. 88b), 1583 (*ib.*, fo. 221).

WRIGHT, RICHARD, vicar of Lewknor ; inst. April 7, 1576 (Rep. 1913, p. 161) ; died 1622 (Rep. 1918, p. 166).

YELDER, ARTHUR, rector of Garsington ; inst. Sept. 8, 1563 ; died Feb. 1, 1598/9 (Rep. 1920, p. 264) ; President of Trinity College, Oxford ; see *D.N.B.*

THE ARCHDEACON'S COURT 1584.

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. vij^o Novembris 1584 *f. 123b.*
coram venerabilibus viris Magistris Doctore
Kennall et Doctore Glasier tunc et ibidem
sedentibus, me Milone Leighe notario
publico presente.

- c.* Wm. Tayler de Wroxston : em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Butler de Mapledurham : em. schedula penitencie.
- c.* Kath. Parkinton de Mapledurham : em. schedula penitencie.
- c.* Eliz. Bezaker de Henleye, ad prob. test. mariti : denuo res. est pena in h.d. ; *3p.* dns. pron. eam cont. ; denuo res. pena in px.
- c.* Eliz. Tapling de Taynton : em. ex.
- c.* Parnellam Long de Burforde : em. ex.
- c.* Rich Kempster de More : stet.
- c.* Hen. Lee de Rotherfylde Graye, seniore : ad purg. se *f. 124.*
de incontinencia cum Elizabetha Darrell *3^a* manu
in px.
- c.* Ric. Townesende de Brickenden : ad purg. se *3^a* manu
in quindenam.
- c.* Agnetem Freman et eius matrem de Kidlington : em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Pyttam de Barforde : in *3^{es}* septimanas.

f.124 cont. c. Edmundum Maunde de Horton¹: res. est pena in h.d.; facta deinde trina preconizazione etc. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.

c. Christianam Deane de Somerton: emanarunt littere penitencie.

c. Mariam Sherte de Garsington: em. ex.

f. 124b. c. gardianos de Lewcknor: em. ex.; stet in diem Martis px.

c. Elenam Appletre de Dadington: est excommunicata; reducta est excommunicacio, denunciata in ecclesia de Dadington prout patet per certificatorium in pede.

c. Margaretam Yates de Dadington: em. ex.; sim. executata vt supra.

c. Wm. Davies rectorem de Odington: citetur denuo in diem Veneris px.

c. Agnetem Merser de Harwicke, Aliciam Cadwalider et Agnetem Smyth de eadem: em. ex.

c. Wm. Tempest parrochie de Bampton et Anthonium eius famulum: ex. ex.; reducta est excommunicacio; executata prout patet per certificatorium subscriptum.

f. 125. c. Joh. King de Cogges: em. ex.

c. Margeriam Bettam de Adwell generosam: em. v. et m.; citata per afflictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio ecclesie die Veneris vlt.; vnde f.f. per T. et 3p. dns. eam excommunicavit; em.

c. Margaretam famulam domini Wright vicarii de Lewcknor: em. v. et m.; citata per afflictionem citacionis super ostio ecclesie die Veneris vlt. vt supra; vnde f.f. per T. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam excommunicavit; em.

¹ Chesterton, *s.t.*

- c. Agnetem Hickes de Ipstone : em. v. et m. ; citata per *f. 125 cont.*
affictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio ecclesie
die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. per T. etc. et 3p. dns.
eam excommunicavit ; em.
- c. Franciscum Stoner armigerum firmarium rectorie de
Rotherfilde Graye : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo
res. pena.
- c. Joh. Gale de Chakenden : em. ex.
- c. Editham Wheler de Chakenden : em. v. et m. ; c. per *f. 125b.*
affictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio ecclesie
die Mercurii ad quindenam elapsam ; vnde f.f. per
T. ; dns. eam excommunicavit.
- c. Nich. Banckes parochie S. Marie Oxonie : res. est pena ;
denuo reservavit penam ; d.
- c. Eliz. Bradburye parochie S. Marie Oxonie : res. est
pena in h.d. ; comp., iur. et monita ; ad a.o.
fatetur that her husband Jhon Bradburie is a man
that vseth to goe of messages¹ for gentlemen, and
being a tayler and not free of the towne is driven
to bee moste abroad for theyre living, and noe
other cause ; dns. dimisit eam.
- c. Fredeswidam Joyner de Cuddesden : decretum est pro
ea v. et m. ; em.
- c. Mariam Archedalle parochie de Cuddesden : res. est
pena ; d. sine feodo.
- c. Michaelum Chadwell de Chippingnorton : stet in h.d. ;
vocetur de novo.
- c. Joh. Hedges et Julianam Hedges de North Aston, ad *f. 126.*
prob. test. : res. est pena ; facta fide per W. et
3p. dns. pron. eos cont. et in penam excom-
municavit.
- c. Margaretam Teriwestall de Wiggenton : stet.

¹ above eames, *s.t.*

f. 126 cont. c. Joannam Mosse alias Wright de Westcott Barton : res. est pena quia non soluit feodum apparitoris.

c. Rich. Franckline de Iselippe : em. ex. ; reducta est excommunicatio, executi in ecclesia de Iselippe xxv^{to} Octobris, 1584.

c. Margaretam Wheler de Wendlebury, est grvida : em. ex. ; reducta est excommunicatio, executi in ecclesia de Wendleburye primo Novembris, 1584.

c. Wm. Beckley de Wendlebury : em. v. et m. ; c. per D. per afflictionem citationis super ostio ecclesie die Dominico ; vnde f.f. ; dns. excommunicavit.

f. 126b. c. Mariam Harper de Chinnor : em. v. et m. ; c. per M. per afflictionem citationis super ostio ecclesie die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; dns. excommunicavit.

c. Tho. Harper de eadem ; em. v. et m. ; sim.

c. Annam Bellson et Rich. Hayburne de Aston Rowant : em. v. et m. ; sim.

c. Magistrum Arthurum Lawrence, curatum de Chalgrove : denuo res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo reseruavit penam.

c. Joh. Thornteton de Hedington : iur., sed non examinatus ; d. quia coram Doctore Floid.

c. Amiam Izard de Hedington : c. per Sy. die Veneris ad septimanam elapsam ; d. quia coram Doctore Floide.

f. 127. c. Wm. Randall de Hedington : decretum est pro eo v. et m. ; em.

c. Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : decretum est pro eis v. et m. ; em.

c. Robertum Nicholas parochie S. Marie Magdalene, Oxonie : debent [*sic*] feodum.

- c. Suzannam Wakefild de Ascott : decretum est pro ea *f. 127 cont.*
v. et m. : c. per afflictionem citationis super ostio
ecclesie die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. per S. et 3p.
eiusdem dns. eam excommunicavit.
- c. Bellam More de Enstone : ¹decretum est pro ea v. et m.
- c. Tho. More et Mariam More de Adderburye : em. pro
eis v. et m. ; c. per afflictionem citationis v. et m.
super ostio ecclesie die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. per
W. et 3p. dns. eos excommunicavit.
- c. Tho. Whyting de Brightwell : em. pro eo v. et m. *f. 127b.*
- c. Malinam Yate de Stanlake : em. ex.
- c. Wm. Woodwarde de Bampton : em. v. et m. ; c. per
afflictionem citationis super ostio ecclesie die
Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. per B. dns. eum
excommunicavit.
- c. Magistrum Lodevicum Evans, rectorem de Duckling-
ton : em. v. et m. ; c. per afflictionem citationis
super ostio die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. per B. et 3p.
comparuit per curatum.
- c. Aliciam Elmer de Challgrove : stet quia gravida.
- c. Wm. Fulkes de Chalgrove : habet ad comparendum
die Martis px.
- c. Janam Barret de Watlington : est excommunicata ; *f. 128.*
reducta est excommunicatio ; executi prout patet
per cert. in pede.
- c. Margaretam Bowyer de Ewelme : est excommunicata ;
stet in postmeridiem.
- c. Mariam Clarke de Eewelme [*sic*] : em. v. et m. ; stet
in post puerperium.
- c. Eliz. Englishe de Aston : em. v. et m. ; res. est pena.

¹ similiter vt, *s.t.*

f. 128 cont. c. Dominum Hugonem Henshawe, rectorem de Myxburye: decretum est pro eo v. et m. ; c. personaliter per D. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. reseruavit penam in px.

c. Joh. Hancocke de Myxburye : ad interessendum ad solvendum feodum.

f. 128b. c. Ric. More de Myxburye : est excommunicatus.

c. Wm. Inglesbye de Aston : parochie de Bampton ; c. per B. die Martis vlt. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur that soometymes vpon necessitie this respondent hath wrought of late on Sundayes & holidayes and not otherwise, being called upon earnestlye for suche apparell as hee had in making of his customers, and promiseth hereafter not to offend in the like ; d. cum monicione, etc.

c. Rob. Armstrong, parochie de Bampton : c. per B. die Lune vlt. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. negat in vim iuramenti prestiti negat [*sic*] that he vseth to laboure or woerck on Sundayes or holidayes at anie tyme contrarie to the lawes of the realme ; vnde dns. eum dimisit, etc.

c. gardianum de Aston, parochie de Bampton, viz. Ric. Hawkins quia non plene presentavit : c. per B. die Dominico vlt. ; comp., iur., ad articulum illi obiectum dicit that he doeth not knowe of anie or probalye [*sic*] suspecte anie for woorking vpon the Sondaye and holidaye in the towne of Aston where this deponent is churchwarden and an inhabitant.

c. Joh. Whittington, parochie Omnium Sanctorum : c. per Sy. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena.

f. 129. c. Joh. Clarke, parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : c. per Sy. die Mercurii vlt. ; in px.

c. Dominicke Pinder, parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : c. per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ;¹ vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dimissus quia non est parochianus, de advenis.

¹ in px. *s.t.*

- c. Joh. Yates et eius uxorem parochie Omnium Sanctorum *f. 129 cont.*
Oxonie : c. per Sy. die Martis vlt. ; comp. Yates.
- c. Magistrum Pele et eius uxorem parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : stet.
- c. Jacobum Banting de More ; perquisitus per Sy. die Jovis vlt. ; in postmeridiem.
- c. Magistrum Shepreve et eius uxorem ; perquisiti per *f. 129b.*
Sy. ; in px.
- c. Magistrum Fysshier et eius uxorem, parochie Petri in ballivo ; c. per Sy. die Jovis vlt. ; in px.
- c. Wm. Pickover, parochie S. Michaelis : perquisitus per Sy. ; d.
- c. Arthurum Price, parochie S. Michaelis : perquisitus per Sy. die Jovis vlt. ; v. et m.
- c. Annam Joyner de Tadmerton¹ : comp. vj^{to} Novembris ; iur. et interrogata de et super crimine incontinentie fassa est se esse gravidam per Robertum Potter de Tadmerton qui eam carnaliter cognovit primum abowte a weeke or twoe post festum Pentecostis vlt. preterite in domo dicti Butler² et sepius postea & hathe layne wth her divers tymes ; dns. iniunxit illi penitentiam.
- c. Matildam Darbye de Shifforde, parochie de Bampton, *f. 130.*
est gravida : c. per B. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur carnalem copulam cum quodam Edmundo Potter qui saepius istam respondentem carnaliter cognovit in domo cuiusdam Ric. Minchin de Chimney in cubiculo istius respondentis primum in quadragesima vltima preterita et postremo circiter festum Pentecostis vlt. ; dns. super confessione iniunxit ei penitentiam publicam secundum formam schedule transmittende.

¹ xxij^d s.t.

² Some mention of Butler had probably been made though it is not entered.

f.130 cont. c. Edmundum Potter de Shifforde, parochie de Bampton ; fiat proclamacio : c. per B. vt supra ; comp., iur., ad a.o. negat carnalem copulam cum Mathilda Derby, vel quod attemptavit eius pudicitiam, fatetur tamen famam ; dns. iniunxit ei purgacionem canonicam cum 4^a manu vicinorum preter se in quindenam ; debet feodum ; in quindenam.

c. Joannam Gardiner de Hooeknorton : c. per S. die Martis vlt. [*struck through*].

c. gardianos de Hooeknorton ; they have presented omnia bene & since the visitacon have presented other matters to Mr. Dr. Floid : c. per S. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur. ; comp. Johannes Jorden alter gardianus, et ad a.o., iuratus, deposuit that he presented nothing at all in the Archdeacon's visitacon neither since that tyme hathe made anie presentment at all. Comp. Jacobus Tasker et ad a.o. respondet that he made no byll of presentment at the visitacon nor at anie tyme since before anie other Judge, and saithe ffurther that Foxe, Mr. Dr. Floides apparitor did take of theime vjd. for a byll of presentment, and doeth demand eightpence ; habent ad inducendum billam infra quindenam.

c. gardianos de Swerford ; they have not presented aniething but omnia bene, and there is one Hosier's wiffe w^{ch} is vehemently [suspected of being ?] wth John Hollowaye of Barford and hathe ben so a long tyme : c. per S. die Martis vlt. ; comparuerunt, jurati ; comp. Wm. Careles et ad a.o. respondet et dicit that there is a suspicion and a fame and reporte betwene Hosier's wyffe and John Hollowaye, and that theye have ben as he hathe harde called before Mr. Dr. Floide, but what order is taken therein he knoweth not. Comp. etiam Henricus Baylie, alter gardianus, et fatetur famam laborare contra eos, sed de scientia nescit deponere, and saith ffurther that he did not knowe that he was bounde to present anie more then he doethe knowe.

- c. Joh. Grene de Chippingnorton, ad prob. test. sororis *f. 130b.*
def. : c. per S. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* ;
in px.
- c. Tho. Mawson alias Smyth de Dadington : perquisitus
per W. die Martis vlt. ; v. et m.
- c. Wm. Tredwell de Dadington : c. per W. die Mercurii
vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. reservavit penam in px.
- c. Anthonium Baseley de Hempton parochie de Dading-
ton : c. per W. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; sim.
- c. Eliz. Hawckwell de Henleye : c. per M. die Jovis vlt. ;
vnde f.f. per M. [*struck through*].
- c. Wm. Buttes de Shirburne, ad prob. test. cuiusdam *f. 131.*
Cornishe def. : c. per M. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde
f.f. et 3*p.* commissa est administracio bonorum
Siscile Cornishe def. dicto Willelmo ; d.
- c. Rogerum Baylie de Burceter, ad prob. test. matris :
perquisitus per D. die Lune vlt. ; v. et m.
- c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynm^r, est gravida : c. per D. die
Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* ; res. est pena in
quindenam.
- c. Aliciam Wildegose de Stokelyne : perquisita per D.
die Martis vlt. ; v. et m.

In dei nomine nos Johannes Kennall . . . in
hiis scriptis [*struck through*].

- c. Rich. Hanson : in postmeridiem ; comp., ad b.d. *f. 131b.*
respondet et fatetur that he hathe taken a lease
of his shoppes adioyning to St Marie's Church of
the Provost and scholers of Oriell Colledge &
payeth x^s by the yeare rent and is bounde by
covenantes to maytene theme, and therefore he is
not bounde to answer the matter anie ffurther &
saith that he is presented before Mr. Doctor
Floide for the same falte, et sic d.

- f. 131b* *cont.* *c.* Davidum Apprice, Aliciam Apprice, Joannam Haddon et Janam Hickes de Wendleburye : perquisiti per D. die Dominico vlt. ; v. et m.
- c.* gardianos de Chesterton : *c.* per D. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eos cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c.* Agnetem Styles de Wootton, ad prob. test. mariti : *c.* per W. die Martis ad septimanam elapsam ; in px.
- f. 132.* *c.* Robertum Ryve de Fringford : perquisitus per D. die Martis vlt. ; v. et m.
- c.* Margeriam Haynes de Hayford : perquisita per D. die Martis vlt. ; v. et m.

In dei nomine amen, nos Thomas Glasier¹ etc.
 Edmundum Maunde de Horton, Margeriam Bettam de Adwell, Margaretam famulam Magistri Wright de Leweknor, Agnetem Hickes de Ipstone, Editham Wheler de Chakenden, Johannem Hedges, Julianam Hedges de Northaston, Willelmum Beckley de Wendleburye, Mariam Harper, Thomam Harper, Annam Bellson, Richardum Heyburie de Aston, Suzannam Wakefild, Thomam More, Mariam More, Willelmum Woodward,
 propter [&c. *as usual*].

f. 132b. ACTA in ecclesia parochiali S. Martini predicti coram iudicibus predictis me Rogero Layland notario publico presente.

- c.* Eliz. Bezaker de Henleye, ad prob. test. mariti : denuo res. est pena ; denuo res. est pena.
- c.* Rich. Kempster de More : stet donec iterum vocetur quia inopinatus.²
- c.* Hen. Lee de Rotherfylde Graye seniore : ad purg. se de incontinentia cum Elizabetha Darrell 3^a manu in px.

¹ Johannes Kennall, *s.l.*

² *MS.* inopt³.

- c.* Rich. Townsend de Brickenden : ad purg. se 3^a manu *f.* 132*b*
in quindenam. *cont.*
- c.* Edmundum Maunde de Chesterton vel Horton : est
excommunicatus ; em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Davies rectorem de Odington : *c.* per D. die *f.* 133.
Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f., 3*p.* dns. pron. cum cont. ;
res. pena in px. ; deinde comp. dictus Wm. Davies
et fassus est se carnaliter cognovisse uxorem suam
ante nuptias solemnizatas et ideo submisit se
humiliter correctioni domini iudicis ; vnde dns.
iniunxit illi penitentiam publicam peragendam
secundum formam schedule et postea ad eius
humilem petitionem dns. commutavit eius peniten-
tiam in quandam summam pecuniarum, viz. in
summam quinque librarum in vsum pauperum
erogandam et sic eum dimisit ab vlteriori vexacione
pro crimine predicto quatenus, etc.
- c.* Franciscum Stoner armigerum firmarium rectorie de
Rotherfylde Graye : denuo res. est pena in px.
- c.* Fredeswidam Joyner de Cuddesdon : em. v. et m.
- c.* Michaellem Chadwell de Chippingnorton : reparatus est
cancellus ex relatione Shawe.
- c.* Magistrum Arthurum Lawrence curatum de Chalgrove :
denuo res. est pena in px.
- c.* Wm. Randall de Hedington : em. v. et m.
- c.* Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : em. v. *f.* 133*b*.
et m.
- c.* Tho. Whyting de Brightwell : em. v. et m. ; *c.* per
T. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f., 3*p.* dns. pron. eum
cont. et in penam eum excommunicavit ; em.
- c.* Magistrum Lodovicum Evans rectorem de Ducklington:
res. est pena ; comp. Johannes Floide curatus et ad
b.d. contra Magistrum Evans oblatam respondet
that the chauncell of Cockthroppe is in greate

f. 133b
cont.

decaye & so hathe ben euer since the suppression of the Abbeyes, and it is but a chappell of ease and therefore he is not bounde to repayre yt. Dns. assignavit Magistro Evans nomine dicti curati to make one sermon citra festum Natalis Domini px. et ad certificandum px. die iuridico post.

c. Aliciam Elmer de Chalgrove, est gravida : [*no entry*].

c. Wm. Fulkes de Chalgrove : habuit ad comparendum die Martis vlt. preteriti.

c. Margaretam Bowyer de Ewelme : stet.

f. 134. *c.* Mariam Clarcke de Ewelme : stet in post puerperium.

c. Eliz. Englishe de Aston : res. est pena ; 3*p.* dns. eam excommunicavit.

c. Dominum Hugonem Henshawe rectorem de Myxburye¹ : res. est pena ; comp. et respondet that there is not anie parte of the churche moun des in decaye by this respondent's defalt and so he denyethe the detection to be trewe in anie parte.

c. Joh. Hancocke de Myxburye : ad interessendum ad solvendum feodum.

c. Joh. Whytington parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : res. est pena ; 3*p.* dns. denuo reseruavit penam in px.

c. Joh. Clarcke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : in h.d. ; sim. reseruavit penam.

f. 134b. *c.* Joh. Yates parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : Yates non est examinatus ; comp. Joh. Yates et ad b.d. respondet et fatetur that sumtime he is absent from the churche vpon occasion of verie earnest busines and not otherwyse, and denyeth that he doeth absent himsellffe from the churche in anie contempte of the lawe.

¹ non solvit, *s.t.*

- c. Magistrum Pele et eius uxorem parochie Omnium *f. 134b*
Sanctorum Oxonie : stet. *cont.*
- c. Jacobum Banting de More : non est examinatus ; d.
sine feodo.
- c. Magistrum Shepreve et eius uxorem parochie Petri in
ballivo : citati in h.d.
- c. Magistrum Fysshier et eius uxorem parochie predictæ :
citati erga h.d.
- c. Arthurum Price parochie S. Michaelis Oxonie : decretum
est pro eo v. et m. ; em.
- c. Edwardum Potter de Shifford : ad purg. se in px. *f. 135.*
- c. Joh. Grene de Chippingnorton [*struck through*] : in
h.d. ; d.
- c. Tho. Mawson alias Smythe de Dadington : decretum
est pro eo v. et m. ; c. personaliter per W. die
Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. per W. et 3p. ; d.
- c. Wm. Tredwell de Dadington : res. est pena ; d.
- c. Anthonium Baseleye de Hempton parochie de Dading-
ton : res. est pena ; d.
- c. Rogerum Baylie de Burceter, ad prob. test. matris :
em. v. et m. ; c. personaliter per D. die Veneris
vlt. ; dns. eum dimisit quia donatio facta.
- c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynmer, est gravida : res. est pena *f. 135b.*
in px.
- c. Aliciam Wildgose de Stokelyne : em. v. et m. ; c.
personaliter per D. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p.
dns. eam excommunicavit ; em.
- c. Davidem Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joannam Haddon et
Janam Hickes de Wendleburye : em. v. et m.
- c. gardianos de Chesterton : res. est pena in px.

f. 135b c. Agnetem Styles de Wootton, ad prob. test. mariti : in
cont. h.d. ; in px.

f. 136. c. Robertum Ryve de Fringforde : em. v. et m. ; in px.

c. Margeriam Haynes de Hayforde : em. v. et m.

c. Rich. Garden iuniorem de Arnecote, for buying and selling of shepe upon All Hallon daye in the tyme of devine seruice : perquisitus per D. die Dominico vlt. ; comp., iur. et monitus, negat prorsus in vim iuramenti detectionem esse veram saving that he sealed and delyuered a band for the payment of a certen somme of monie for a schore of shepe w^{ch} weare bought iij or iiij^{or} dayes before All Hallon daye ; dns. eum dimisit.

c. Rich. Neele de Arnecote for the lyke falte and he being a sydeman & sworne : perquisitus per D. die Dominico vlt. ; comp., iur. et monitus, comp. et negat detectionem esse veram saving that he sealed a bande for the performance of a sune of monie for a score of sheepe vpon All Hallon daye after evening prayer : dns. eum dimisit.

c. Dominam Vines de Piddington : c. personaliter per D. die Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; in postmeridiem.

f. 136b. c. Aliciam Abraham de Piddington : c. per D. die Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f. per D. et 3^p. dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.

c. Eliz. Smith de Hayforde Warren : c. per D. die Jovis vlt. ; comp., iur. et monita confessa est that she is willing euer since her basse was cutt quietlie to permitt and suffer Margarie Haynes to come into her seate ; dns. monuit eandem vt ne amplius disturbet eandem Margeriam but suffer her peaseable and quietlie to come into the seate.

c. Hen. Watson de Heathe, non frequentat ecclesiam ; debet feodum ; in px. : c. per D. die Veneris vlt. ; comp., iur. ; in postmeridiem ; comp., et confessus est that he hathe ben at Hardwicke churche or at

Dunstrewe [*sic*] most commonlie euerye Sondaye *f. 136b*
 or holidaye and not at his owne parishe churche of *cont.*
 Heathe saving for these ij Sondayes or holidayes
 last because he is not in love & charitie wth the
 parson of Heathe and therefore he did not receave ;
 monitus est ad reconsiliandum se quam ritissime
 wthoute there be cause to the contrarie.

- c. Tho. Coles de Netherwoorton : c. per W. die Veneris
 vlt. ; comp. ; in horam primam ; dns. eum dimisit.
- c. Joannam Rowsam de Hanwell ad prob. test. mariti :
 perquisita per W. die Jovis vlt. ; v. et m.
- c. Tho. Lucas de Northnewton, impregnavit Annam *f. 137.*
 Seling : perquisitus per W. die Jovis vlt. ; v. et
 m. ; comp., iur. et obiecta illi incontinentia cum
 Anna Seling fassus est se sepius carnaliter
 cognovisse dictam Annam in domo cuiusdam
 Thome Radforde de Southnewton et credit eam
 esse gravidam factam per istum respondentem,
 quam confessionem dns. acceptavit et iniunxit illi
 penitentiam publicam secundum formam scedule
 parochie mittende.
- c. Annam Seling de Southnewton : perquisita per W. die
 Jovis vlt. ; v. et m.
- c. Siscilliam Loe de Tewe, ad prob. test. mariti : c.
 personaliter per W. die Veneris vlt. ; 3p. dns.
 reseruavit penam in px.
- c. Tho. Dawes de Lee Myll parochie de Broughton for
 keping of one in his howse w^{ch} hathe had a childe
 by [him] : c. per B. die Mercurii vlt ; coram
 Magistro Doctore Kennall in postmeridiem in
 officio registrarii archidiaconatus Oxonie coram
 venerabilibus viris Magistris Doctore Kennall et
 Doctore Glasier tunc et ibidem iudicaliter sedenti-
 bus comparuit dictus Tho. Hawes [*sic*] et ad b.d.
 contra eum oblatam respondet et dicit that the
 woman by whom [he] hathe had a childe whose
 name is Izabell Dixon vseth sumetymes to come
 to his howse and there remayne sumetymes

f.137 cont.

ij dayes, sumetymes iij dayes & sumetymes more and sumtymes a whole weeke, since he hath donne penance for her et negat quod unquam eam carnaliter cognovit since his penance done sed¹ credit famam de eadem contra eum laborare ; dns. iniunxit illi ad purg. se vj^{ta} manu preter se hoc die ad quindenam et vlterius monuit eundem vt ne amplius frequentat consortium dicte Izabelle nisi in locis publicis nor to receave her anie more into his howse ; stet.

c. Dorotheam Maye de Bampton [*struck through*].

f. 137b. Joh. Kytchinne contra Rob. Kytchinne de Odington in causa legati : Joh. Kytchinne constituit in eius procuratorem Magistrum Philipson ad agendum et defendendum etc. et promisit mihi Rogero Layland notario publico de rato [*struck through*].²

Magister Wm. Parker curatus de Bodicote contra Joh. Rowsham in causa decimarum : [*struck through*].

c. Johnson parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : d.

c. Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : c. per S. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. excommunicavit.

c. Edwardum Shepe de Chippingnorton ad prob. test : [*no entry*].

f. 138. c. Wm. Inglesbye, Rob. Armestroneg [*sic*] et Rich. Hawkins de Aston parochie de Bampton : c. per B. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. eos excommunicavit.

In dei nomine amen nos Johannes³ Tho. Glasier . . . Tho. Whyting, Eliz. Englishe, Aliciam Wildgose, Margaretam Grove, Wm. Inglesby, Rob. Armestrone et Rich. Hawkins,
propter [*&c. as usual*].

¹ fatetur famam contra eum laborare, *s.t.*

² This and the following entry are to do with "instance" cases. They were probably merely memoranda and have properly no place in this book, which is concerned with "office" cases.

³ Kennall, *s.t.* and Tho. Glasier *written above*.

ACTA . . . die Veneris viz. xx^o die Novembris f. 138b.
anno domini 1584 . . .

- c. Joh. Clarcke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie ;
c. per Sy. ; est excommunicatus.
- c. Joh. Whytington parochie Omnium Sanctorum predictæ :
c. legitime per Sy. ; comp. et fassus est that he
did not receave at Easter last, being there was and
is some controversie betwene this respondent and
John Clarke because he the sayd Clarcke openlye
reported and says that there weare xx^{tie} as honest
as this respondentes wyffe whipped at a cartes ars.
- c. Wm. Gyles parochie S. Marie Magdalene Oxonie :
c. per Sy. ; in horam tertiam postmeridiem.
- c. Magistrum Fysshier et eius uxorem parochie S. Petri
in ballivo : c. per Sy.
- c. Magistrum Sheprey et eius uxorem parochie S. Petri f. 139.
in ballivo predictæ et eius uxorem [*sic*] : perquisiti¹
per Sy.
- c. Magistrum Randall parochie predictæ [*struck through*] :
perquisitus ; non est eiusdem parochie.
- c. Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : c. per
affictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio ecclesie
die Dominico vlt.
- c. Wm. Randall de Hedington : sim. c. vt supra.
- c. Fredeswidam Joyner alias Lyde de Cuddesdon : d.
quia est coram Magistro Doctore Floide.
- c. Arthurum Price parochie S. Michaelis Oxonie : c. per f. 139b.
affictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio domus
eius die Martis vlt.
- c. Anthonium Baseley de Hempton parochie de Dading-
ton : comp., iur. et ad b.d. contra eum oblatam

¹ legitime citati, s.t.

f. 139b
cont.

respondet et fatetur that abowte a moneth agoe this respondent and other of his neighbours weare drincking in one John Welcheman's howse in Dadington vpon a Sondaye at morning prayer, but sayeth he doeth not vse yt and sayeth that the churchwarden did not give him warning to leve yt ; dns. monuit eundem ad confitendum eius culpam die Dominico px. inter primam et secundam lectionem matutinarum eiusdem diei ; dns. commutavit eius penitentiam viz. ad solvendum in vsum pauperum iij^d die Dominico vlt.

- c.* Tho. South de Hempton predictae : comp., iur. et ad b.d. respondet et fatetur that vpon occasion that the butcher owed this respondent somme monie this respondent went to the ale house wth him, thincking to receave his monie, at the tyme of divine service vpon the sabboth daye at morning prayer. And doeth not vsuallie frequent the alle howse at anie suche tyme ; sim. ad solvendum in vsum pauperum iij^d.
- c.* Wm. Tredwell parochie predictae : comp., iur. et fassus est that he was in the ale howse at service tyme but denyeth that he did spende anie monie there nor doeth frequent the same ; d. quia pauper vnacum monicione.
- c.* Tho. Mason alias Smyth : d. vnacum monicione.

f. 140.

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. xxj^o Novembris
anno dni. 1584 . . .

- c.* Eliz. Bezaker de Henley, ad prob. test mariti sui : res. est pena.
- c.* Hen. Lee de Rotherfylde Graye seniore : ad purg. se de incontinentia cum Elizabetha Darrell ; differatur ad mensem.
- c.* Edmundum Maunde de Horton : em. ex. ; reducta et executi provt patet per cert. in dorso.

- c. Wm. Davies rectorem de Odington : res. est pena ; ad *f.140 cont.*
mensum res. est pena.
- c. Franciscum Stoner armigerum de Rotherfylde Graye :
denuo res. est pena ; denuo reservatur pena in px.
- c. Magistrum Lawrence curatum de Challgrove : [*no entry*].
- c. Tho. Whyting de Brightwell : est excommunicatus ; *f. 140b.*
em.
- c. Eliz. English de Aston : est excommunicata.
- c. Edwardum Potter de Shifford, cum quadam Mathilda
Derbie : ad purg. se ; reducta est proclamacio pro
obiicere volentibus etc. ; executa in ecclesia
parochiali de Bampton provt patet per cert.
subscriptum ; *3p.* pro dicto Potter, dns. pron. eum¹
defecisse in purgacione et ideo iniunxit ei peniten-
tiam iuxta formam schedule.
- c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynmer : res. est pena.
- c. Aliciam Wildgose de Stokelyne : em. ex.
- c. Davidem Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joannam Haddon et
Janam Hikes de Wendleburye : em. v. et m.
- c. gardianos de Chesterton :² res. est pena. *f. 141.*
- c. Agnetem Styles de Wootton : ad prob. test. mariti
def. ; citetur de novo.
- c. Robertum Ryve de Fringforde : em. v. et m.
- c. Margeriam Haynes de Hayford : em. v. et m.
- c. Dominam Vines de Piddington : c. personaliter per D. ;
vnde f.f.
- c. Aliciam Abraham de Piddington : res. est pena.

¹ contumacem et in penam, *s.t.*

² Wotton, *s.t.*

- f. 141b.* *c.* Joannam Rowsham de Hanwell : ad prob. test. mariti ; perquisita per W. ; stet in px.
- c.* Annam Seling de Southnewton, est gravida ; em. v. et m.
- c.* Sisciliam Loe de Tewe ad prob. test. mariti : stet in quindenam.
- c.* Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : est excommunicata.
- c.* Edmundum Freeman de Chippingnorton, ad prob. test. ; exhibuit testamentum ; dns. commisit administracionem bonorum Thome Freeman defuncti Edmundo fratri eo quod non erat executor nullus in testamento nominatus ; iuratus de fideliter administrando etc. et ad inducendum inventarium ; assignavit citra primum Hilarii.
- f. 142.* *c.* Wm. Englesbye, Rob. Armstrong et Ric. Hawkins parochie de Bampton : sunt excommunicati.
- c.* Joannam Wrighte de Westcott Barton : *c.* per W. die Veneris ad septimanam ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont.¹ ; res. pena in px.
- c.* Edmundum Potter de Shifforde parochie de Bampton : ad purg. se super crimine cum quarta manu vicinorum de incontinentia cum Matilda Darbie [*struck through*].
- c.* Joh. Hollowaye de Barforde Magna, suspectus est de incontinentia cum uxore Hosier : *c.* per W. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. per W. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; comp. Joh. Busbie excusator dicti Hollowaye et allegavit eundem Hollowaye impeditum esse variis negotiis ita vt non possit interesse ; vnde dns. ad eius petitionem respectuavit eius examinacionem et presentiam in quindenam.
- c.* Ric. Price de Ducklington for ffetching in his woorke vpon Sondayes and holidayes, being a weaver, so

¹ et in penam, *s.f.*

that he doeth trouble his neighboures that they *f. 142 cont.*
cannot come to the church : c. per B. die Jovis vlt.

- c. Dominum Ric. Englishe curatum de Chinnor : c. per *f. 142b.*
M. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur., he sayethe that
he thinckethe that Mr^{is} Harper is married to
Mr Penne but knoweth yt not of a trewethe, for
so he hathe hard some saye yea & some saye noe,
he sayeth he knoweth not the man nor whether
yt be trewe or noe, nor cannott tell where they
weare married, nor by whom.
- c. gardianos de Chinnor : perquisiti per M. die Mercurii
vlt. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. respondent that they doe
not knowke [*sic*] whether Mr^{is} Harper be married
or noe, for some saye they be married and some saye
not ; yf they be married they knowe not by whom
nor where they weare married.
- c. Joh. Clerck parochie Omnium Animarum Oxonie :
c. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. per Sy. factaque trina
preconizatione etc. dns. pron. eum cont. et in
penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Magistrum Pen de Chinnor et Mariam uxorem eiusdem :
perquisiti per M. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. per
dictum M., dns. decrevit eos citandos v. et m.
in px.
- c. Tho. Pen de eadem : perquisitus die Mercurii vlt. per
M. ; vnde f.f. ; sim. vt supra.
- c. Ric. Francklin de Iselippe : excommunicatus ; comp. *f. 143.*
Alisia Francklin et allegavit se habere speciale
mandatum ad petendum beneficium absolucionis
pro et nomine dicti Richardi ; vnde f.f. per
iuramentum dicte Alisie ; dns. absolvit eundem
Richardum a sententia excommunicacionis alias
contra eum lata in persona dicte Alisie et restituit
eum sacramentis ecclesie et congregacioni fidelium
etc. prestito primitus iuramento de fideliter
parendo mandatis ecclesie etc.
- c. Ric. Townesend de Brickenden : dns. ad eius humilem
petitionem denuo assignavit illi ad purg. se px.

f.143 *cont.*

post Hilarii et interim emittatur proclamatio ; dns. ob nonnullis causis eum moventibus et precipue quia nunquam fuit detectum per gardianos parochie et vltcrius eo quod in vim iuramenti prestiti negavit quod vnquam uxorem Coles carnaliter cognovit aut eius pudicitiam attemptavit, dns. monuit eundem vt ne imposterum consortium uxoris Coles frequentet nisi in locis publicis.

In dei nomine amen Joh. Holowaye
de Barford Magna, Joh. Clerck . . .
propter [&c. *as usual*].

f. 143b. [*blank.*]

f. 144. ACTA . . . die Veneris viz. xxvij^o Novembris
A^o 1584 . . .

c. uxorem Shrimpton parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : c. per Sy. die Lune vlt.; vnde f.f.; comp., fatetur detectionem esse veram ; d. cum monicione.

c. uxorem Rise parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : c. per Sy. die Lune vlt.; vnde f.f.; comp.; d. cum monicione.

c. Marianam Cooke parochie predictae : c. vt supra ; vnde f.f.; comp. maritus ; d. quia est privilegiata persona.

c. uxorem Barnes parochie predictae : c. vt supra ; vnde f.f.; comp.

c. uxorem Thome Angell parochie predictae : c. vt supra ; vnde f.f.; comp.

c. uxorem Pyttes parochie predictae : c. vt supra ; vnde f.f.; comp.

f. 144b. c. uxorem Austine parochie predictae : perquisita per Sy. vt supra ; comp.¹

¹ viis et modis, *s.t.*

- c. Mariam Stripling parochie predictae : c. vt supra ; *f. 144b*
comp. *cont.*
- c. uxorem Jacobi Lee parochie predictae : c. vt supra ;
comp.
- c. uxorem Hasellgrove parochie predictae : c. vt supra ;
comp.
- c. Joh. Collie parochie predictae : perquisitus v. et m. ;
comp. et ad b.d. respondet et fatetur that he is a
brewer by his occupacon and is foreman to foure
hovses so that he cannot come to the churche so
ofte as he wolde because of his charge that he
hathe in hande, for whenne he doeth beginne to
putt fyre vnder the furnes he cannot departe from
yt neither by day nor night vntill his bu[r]den
be forther, nor anie other of the companie that are
wth him, and by that meanes is sumwhat slacke in
coming to the churche as all others of that trade
are, but deniethe that he doeth absent himsellfe
in contempte of the Quene's lawes otherwise then
before he hathe answered, and saithe further that
he doeth receave orderlie at the leaste twyse in the
yeare, et aliter negat detectionem esse veram ;
vnde dns. eum dimisit quia pauper ; citatio vij^d.
- c. Davidum Ryse parochie predictae : c. per Sy. vt supra ;
vnde f.f. ; d.
- c. uxorem Howse parochie predictae : c. vt supra per Sy. ; *f. 145.*
d. cum commissione vt ne imposterum vtatur to
fletche clothes vpon the sabothe daye.
- c. uxorem Smythe parochie predictae : c. vt supra ; comp.
maritus.
- c. Magistrum Vincentium Curson de Waterperie
armigerum : perquisitus per Sy. die Mercurii vlt.
- c. Katherinam Scotte de Waterperie : c. per Sy. die
Mercurii vlt.

f. 145 cont. c. Magistrum Baylie vicarium de Waterperie : perquisitus per Sy. die Mercurii vlt. ; in px. ; d.

c. Wm. Drake de Oxonia, carnaliter cognovit Emma Fayreberd vt fama laborat : *c.* per Sy. die Martis vlt.

f. 145b. c. Emmam¹ Fairebearde parochie S. Martini² Oxonie : *c.* per Sy. die Martis vlt.

c. uxorem Weymecke parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : *c.* per Sy. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; comp., negat detectionem esse veram.

c. Wm. Gyles parochie S. Marie Magdalene Oxonie : res. est pena.

c. Arthurum Price parochie S. Michaelis Oxonie : *c.* per Sy. die Martis ad septimanam elapsam ; 3*p.* dns. reseruavit penam in px.

c. Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : *c.* per Sy. die Dominico ad septimanam elapsam per afflictionem citationis v. et m. super ostio ecclesie ; res. pena ; denuo res.

c. Wm. Randall de Hedington : sim. *c.* vt supra ; denuo res.

f. 146. c. Joh. Welcheman de Dadington, xxij^d ; xiiij^d :³ ad b.d. fatetur but saith that he doeth not vsuallye doe yt, and saithe that he hathe made no falte but onelye at that same tyme, w^{ch} was abowte a moneth agoe, that this respondent came from the tearme, Mr. Manning and others came to this respondent[']s howse wth others wth him, being desyrous to heare some newes from the tearme, and there bestowed euerye man his hallffepennie, and otherwyse he doeth not vse anie typling at service tyme ; dns. monuit eundem ad solvendum in vsum pauperum parochie vj^d die Dominico px. et ad certificandum in scriptis.

¹ Elizabetham, *s.t.*

² Nicholai, *s.t.*

³ stet donec, *s.t.*

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. xxviii^o die mensis Novembris *f.* 146b.
 anno dni. 1584 coram venerabili viri Magistro Edwardo
 Whyte in legibus baccalaureo deputato sive
 substituto Magistro Doctore Glasier etc.

- c.* Eliz. Bezaker de Henleye, ad prob. test.: res. est
 pena ; in px.
- c.* Franciscum Stoner armigerum firmarium rectorie de
 Rotherfilde Gray : res. est pena ; in px.
- c.* Magistrum Lawrence de Chalgrove curatum : stet.
- c.* Tho. Whyting de Brightwell : em. ex.
- c.* Eliz. Englishe de Aston : est excommunicata.
- c.* Joannam Atwicke de Fynmer : res. est pena ; denuo res. *f.* 147.
- c.* Aliciam Wilgose de Stokelyne : em. ex.
- c.* Davidem Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joannam Haddon et
 Janam Hickes de Wendlebury : em. v. et m.
- c.* gardianos de Chesterton : res. est pena.
- c.* Agnetem Styles de Wotton ad prob. test. mariti : stet
 in px.
- c.* Rob. Ryve de Fringforde : em. v. et m. ; d.
- c.* Margeriam Haynes de Hayforde : em. v. et m. ; lit. *f.* 147b.
 pen. em.
- c.* Magistram Vines de Piddington : *c.* personaliter per
 D. ; vnde f.f. ; res. est pena.
- c.* Aliciam Abraham de Piddington : res. est pena.
- c.* Joannam Rowsham de Hanwell ad prob. test. mariti :
 stet in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Annam Seling de Southnewton, est gravida : em. v.
 et m.

- f. 147b* c. Sisciliam Loe de Tewe ad prob. test. mariti : stet in px.
cont.
- f. 148.* c. Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : est excommunicata.
- c. Wm. Inglesbye, Rob. Armstrong et Ric. Hawkins
 parochie de Bampton : sunt excommunicati.
- c. Joannam Wright de Westcott Barton : res. est pena ;
 in px.
- c. Ric. Price de Ducklington for traveling wth his horses
 vpon Sondayes & holidayes : c. per B. die
 Jovis ad septimanam elapsam ; comp., iur. et
 monitus, he sayeth he cannot denye the fact, but
 that he hath donne yt either by himsellfe or some
 of his servantes but not continuallye but at certen
 tymes ; dns. monuit eundem ad solvendum in
 vsum pauperum iiij^d die Dominico px.
- c. Joh. Clarke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie :
 est excommunicatus.
- c. Magistrum Penne de Chinnor et Mariam eius uxorem :
 em. v. et m.
- f. 148b.* c. Tho. Penne de Chinnor : em. v. et m.
- c. Joh. Hopkins parochie de Spellisbury, for grinding
 and loding vpon the saboth dayes at the tyme of
 devine service : c. per S. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp.,
 iur.
- c. Edwardum Baker de Pudlicote ; sim. vt supra : c.
 per S. die Mercurii vlt. ; 3^p. eiusdem ; non
 comparente dns. pron. eum cont. ; reseruavit
 penam in px. ; negat prorsus detectionem esse
 veram.
- c. Rob. Webbe de Taston parochie de Spellissburye, for
 working vpon the sabboth daye, sommtymes
 mowing, carting and raking of corne at the tyme
 of devine service, as the common reporte goeth ;
 nil : c. per S. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur., negat
 detectionem esse veram saving that he sayeth

vpon Bartillmewe daye last past he caused his folkes to cocke some barlie after evening prayer was donne, and for his owne parte he sayeth that he and his wiffe did turn wheate bratt corne w^{ch} was unreasonablye growen, et aliter negat; vnde dns. iniunxit illi ad solvendum in vsum pauperum ij^d die Dominico px. *f. 148b cont.*

- c. Tho. Rippingall de Combe for brawling in the churche at service tyme; nil: c. per S. die Veneris vlt.; comp., iur. et fatetur that there was some brawlinge wth woordes betwene this respondent and one Wm. Wyer of the same parishe abowte the ringing of bells, but did not stricke one another, and the sayed Wyer offered to strike this respondent wth the rope; dns. monuit eundem ad interessendum in px. sub pena iuris.
- c. Clement de Combe for brawling in the churche & ringing vpon All Hallon daye; nil: c. per S. die Veneris vlt.; comp., iur. et ad billam contra eum negat detectionem esse veram sed fatetur that vpon All Hallon daye laste he was one of theime that rang a peale after service was donne and not otherwyse and they did yt because there was a brydalle the same daye & not in anie superstition non [*sic*] in anie contempte of the Queenes lawes; ad interessendum in px. ad videndum vltiora sub pena iuris. *f. 149.*
- c. gardianos de Eynisham, for that theire glasse windowes be broken & not presented at the visitacon & have ben mending for this xij moneth and not yet mended: c. per S. die Dominico vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eos cont.; res. pena in px.; comp.
- c. Edmundum Manning parochie de Dadington generosum: perquisitus per W. die Mercurii vlt.; v. et m.
- c. Tho. Merser parochie de Dadington: c. personaliter per W. die Mercurii vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont.; res. pena in px.

f. 149b. *c.* Ric. Turland de Bloxham : *c.* per W. die Jovis vlt. ;
sim. dns. reseruavit penam in px.

c. Joh. Chantler parochie de Dadington ; suspectus est
de inc. cum uxore Radulphi Drye ; perquisitus
per W. die Jovis vlt. ; v. et m. ; in px.

c. uxorem Radulphi Drye de Dadington : perquisita vt
supra ; sim. pro ea v. et m.

c. Dominum Wm. Parker de Bodicote curatum : *c.* per
W. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum
cont. ; res. poena in px.

c. Joh. Tenant de Stunesfylde for carrying awaye a
seate of a dore being parcell of the churche goodes ;
nil : *c.* per S. die Jovis vlt. ; comp., iur. et respondet,
he sayeth that he hathe a doer of a seate in the
churche in his handes w^{ch} is the dore of his owne
seate, w^{ch} he promiseth to hang vppe againe before
the Purificacon of the Virgin Marie nexte ; habet
ad comparandum hoc die ad quindenam.

c. Ric. Blande, ad prob. test. rectoris de Cottisford : *c.*
per D. die Lune ad septimanam elapsam ; vnde
f.f. et 3p. dns. reseruavit penam in px.

f. 150. *c.* Joh. Burde de Stokelyne frequentat consortium Alicie
Wildgose valde suspiciose : perquisitus per D. die
Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m.

c. gardianos de Westwell : dns. reseruavit penam in px.
[*struck through*] d. et habent ad inducendum
billam citra festum Natalis Domini px.

c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : sim. dns. reseruavit
penam in px.

f. 150b. ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. v^{to} die mensis Decembris
A^o dni. coram venerabili . . .¹

c. Eliz. Bezaker de Henley, ad prob. test. : res. est pena
in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.

¹ Nothing further added.

- c. Franciscum Stoner armigerum firmarium rectorie *f. 150b*
de Rotherfyld Gray : sim. res. est pena ; sim. *cont.*
- c. Magistrum Lawrence curatum de Chalgrove : stet.
- c. Tho. Whiting de Brightwell : em. ex.
- c. Eliz. Englishe de Aston : est excommunicata ; comp. ; d.
- c. Joannam Atwyck de Fynmer : res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Aliciam Wylgose de Stocklyne : em. ex. *f. 151.*
- c. Davidem Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joannam Haddon
et Joannam [*sic*]¹ Hickes de Wendleburye : em.
v. et m.
- c. gardianos de Chesterton : res. est poena in h.d. ;
3p. dns. pron. eos cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ;
ne extrahatur.
- c. Agnetem Styles de Wootton, ad prob. test. mariti ; in
h.d. ; in px.
- c. Margaretam Haynes de Hayford : em. lit. pen.
- c. Magistram Vynes de Piddington : res. est poena in h.d.
- c. Aliciam Abraham de Piddington : sim.
- c. Joannam Rowsham de Hanwell, ad prob. test. mariti : *f. 151b.*
in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Annam Selinge de Southnewton, est grvida : em. v.
et m. ; c. personaliter die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. per
W. et 3p dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in
scriptis ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur se gravidam
et imprenatam per quendam Thomam Lucas de
Wroxton qui saepius istam respondentem cognovit
in domo Thome Radford de Southenewnton et
primo circiter festum Pentecostis vlt. et negat
quod alius quispiam eam carnaliter cognovit ;
dns. iniunxit ei penitentiam etc. ; emissa sunt lit.
pen. pro dicto Lucas et Anna Sealing.

¹ *In error for Janam.*

- f. 151b* *c.* Siciliam Loe de Tew, ad prob. test. mariti : in h.d. ;
cont. in px.
- c.* Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : est excommunicata.
- c.* Wm. Inglesbie, Rob. Armstrong et Ric. Hawkyns
 parochie de Bampton : restant excommunicati.
- c.* Joannam Wright de Westcott Barton : res. est poena
 in h.d. ; 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex.
 in scriptis ; em.
- f. 152.* *c.* Joh. Clerck parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie :
 est excommunicatus.
- c.* Magistrum Penne de Chinnor et Mariam eius uxorem :
 em. v. et m.
- c.* Tho. Penne de Chinnor : sim.
- c.* Joh. Hopkyns parochie de Spellisburys, for grinding
 and loding vpon the Saboth dayes at the tyme of
 devyne service : d.
- c.* Tho. Rippinghall de Combe for brawling in the church
 at service tyme ; xxij^d : monitus est ad inter-
 essendum ad hos diem et locum ; d.
- c.* Clement de Combe for brauling in the church and
 ringing vpon All Hallon daye : sim. monitus
 est ; in postmeridie ; comp. et monitus est ad
 comparendum in px.
- f. 152b.* *c.* gardianos de Eynisham for that there glasse wyndowes
 be broken & not presented at the visitacon & have
 ben mending this xij moneth and not yet mended :
 citetur de novo ; comp. Joh. Beere vnus gardian-
 orum, fatetur that something theare is amisse in the
 church windows w^{ch} they are abowte to amende
 and will amend before St. Thomas' daye next.
- c.* Edmundum Manning, parochie de Dadington gener-
 osum : non emanavit citacio v. et m. ; emanet ;
 em.

- c. Tho. Merse de eadem ; res. est poena in h.d. ; denuo *f. 152b*
res. est pena in px. *cont.*
- c. Ric. Turland de Bloxham : sim. res. est poena in h.d. ;
comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur that he receaved not the
communion in Bloxham parishe this twelve-
moneth, but was constrayned to goe to Kinges
Sutton to communicate theare, because the
vicare woulde not suffer him to communicate in
his parishe except he coulde saye the catechisme
wthoute the booke, w^{ch} he thinketh bye lawe he is
not bownde to doe because he canne & vseth to
reade yt ; d.
- c. Joh. Chantler parochie de Dadington, suspectus est
de inc. cum uxore Radolphi Drye ; nil solvit :
em. citacio v. et m. ; c. personaliter die Jovis vlt. ;
vnde f.f. per W. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ; res.
pena in px. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. negat prorsus
carnalem copulam cum uxore Radolphi Drye vel
quod vnquam attemptavit illius pudicitiam, negat
et famam ; vnde dns. monuit eum [ne] imposterum
frequentet domum dicti Radolphi but in convenient
tymes.
- c. uxorem Radulphi Drye de Dadington : non¹ emanauit
citacio v. et m. ; emanet ; comp., iur., ad b.d.
negat carnalem copulam cum Johanne Chauntler
ac etiam attemptum, negat et famam ; dns.
monuit eam ne frequentet consortium dicti
Johannis nisi in locis publicis sub pena iuris ; d.
- c. Wm. Parker curatum de Bodicott : res. est poena in *f. 153.*
h.d. ; in px.
- c. Joh. Tenannt de Stunfyld : habet ad comparandum in
px. ad certificandum super restitutione ostii
sedilis ecclesie per eum surrepti ; in px.
- c. Ric. Blande ad prob. test. rectoris de Cottisford :
res. est poena in h.d.
- c. Joh. Burde de Stoke Lyne frequentat consortium
Alicie Wyldgose valde suspiciose : decretum est
pro eo v. et m.

¹ above similiter, s.t.

f. 153 cont. c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : res. est poena in h.d. ;
denuo res. est pena in px.

c. Joh. Kinge de Dunstewe frequentat consortium Ursule Saule non sine scandalo : comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur that he doethe owe goodwill vnto Vrsula Saule in the waye of mariage and intendeth to marie her at Michaelmas next when he hathe provided a living for her, negat that he vsethe her cumpanie but in lawfull tymes, negat carnalem copulam, negat et famam.

f. 153b. c. Abelum Evans parochie de Spellisburie for wooreking Sundayes and holidayes : *c.* die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur that on Bartlemewe daye laste this respondent did gather hopes for his neighbour goodman Trendall, other woorek he denieth he did enie ; *d.* cum monicione.

c. Hen. Trendall de eadem for y^e same faute : *c.* die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur., fatetur that on Bartlemewe daye laste he gathered hopes and did noe other woorekes at all ; *d.* cum monicione.

c. Magistrum Vincentium Curson de Waterperie, detectus : perquisitus per Sy. die Mercurii ad septimanam elapsam ; stet.

c. Katherinam Scott de eadem : *c.* die Mercurii ad septimanam elapsam ; vnde f.f. per Sy. ; *3p.* dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Tho. Dumbilo et Emmam uxorem eiusdem, S. Martini Oxonie : citetur in px. ; em. citacio pro Dumbilo et eius uxore.

f. 154. c. Wm. Giles parochie Marie Magdalene Oxonie : res. est pena ; denuo res. est pena in px.

c. Arthurum Price parochie S. Michaelis Oxonie : res. est poena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.

c. Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : res. est poena in h.d. ; *3p.* denuo res. est pena in px.

- c. Wm. Randall de eadem : sim. res. est poena ; comp., *f. 154 cont.*
iur., ; d.
- c. Wm. Somerton de Todmerton prop. inc. cum quadam
Helena Friar : perquisitus die Jovis vlt. ; vnde
f.f. per W., dns. decrevit eum citandum v. et m. in
px. ; em.
- c. Helenam Friar de eadem : perquisita die Jovis vlt. ; *f. 154b.*
sim. v. et m. ; em.
- c. Nich. Holowaye de Barford Magna : c. die Mercurii ad
quindenam elapsam ; vnde f.f. per W. ; *3p.* dns.
pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; ne
extrahatur.
- c. Alisiam Marshe de eadem viduam, she liveth sus-
piciouslye in the house of Nicholas Holowaye : sim.
vt supra.
- c. Edmundum Maunde de Horton : comp. ; dns. absoluit
eum a sententia excommunicacionis in eum lata et
restituit eum sacramentis ecclesie et congregacioni
fidelium ; certificavit super reparacione cancelli
de Chesterton et sic d. sine feodo eo quod reparacio
cancelli non spectat ad istum respondentem sed ad
custodem et socios Novi Collegii Oxonie.

[*blank*].

f. 155.

In dei nomini amen . . . Joannam Wright, *f. 155b.*
Nich. Holowaye et Alisiam Marshe,
propter [*&c. as usual*].

7^o Decembris 1584 in camera inferiori Domini Doctoris *f. 156.*
Glasier infra collegium Exonie.

- c. Alisiam Dawbie parochie S. Petri in balivo ; she was a
bawde to Elizabeth Stanford : [*no entry*].
- c. Eliz. Stanford de Haliwell : comp., iur., ad a.o.
fatetur that shee came to the house of Alice

f. 156 cont.

Dawbie the Thursdaye after All Saints' laste and theare inquired for a straunger that woulde speake wth her, and when she founde him not shee went into St Thomas parishe and returned not long after & theare founde one M^r Wickham, and went vp wth him into a litle chambre wheare theare was onelye a bed standing, and when they came into the chambre the sayde Wickham woulde haue had to doe wth this respondent cafnallie, w^{ch} shee denied.

f. 156b. ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. xij^o Decembris anno dni.
1584 . . .

c. Eliz. Bezaker de Henley ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena.

c. Magistrum Stoner armigerum firmarium rectorie de Rotherfilde Graye : res. est pena.

c. Tho. Whyting de Brightwell : em. ex.

c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynmer : res. est pena donec purificetur.

c. Aliciam Wildgose de Stokelyne : em. ex.

c. Davidem Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joannam Hickes de Wendleburie, Margeriam Born : em. v. et m. ; *c.* per D. die Dominico vlt. per afflictionem citacionis super ostiis domorum suorum ; vnde f.f. et 3^p. dns. pron. eos et eorum quemlibet cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. gardianos de Chesterton : ex. em.

f. 157. *c.* Agnetem Styles de Wootton ad prob. test. mariti : in h.d. ; stet.

c. Margaretam Haines de Hayford : em. lit. pen. [*struck through*].

- c. Magistram Vines de Piddington : denuo res. est pena *f.157 cont.*
in px.
- c. Aliciam Abraham de Piddington : res. est pena in px.
- c. Joannam Rowsham de Hanwell ad prob. test. mariti :
in h.d. ; stet.
- c. Annam Seling de South Newton : em. lit. pen. pro
dicta Anna et Thoma Lucas.
- c. Seciliam Loe de Tewe ad prob. test. mariti : in h.d. ;
stet.
- c. Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : est excommunicata.
- c. Joannam Wrichte de Westcott Barton : em. ex. *f. 157b.*
[*struck through*].
- c. Joh. Clarke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie :
est excommunicatus.
- c. Magistrum Tho. Penne de Chinnor et Mariam eius
uxorem : em. v. et m.
- c. Clement de Combe for brawling in the churche and
ringing vpon All Hallon daye : monitus est ad
interessendum hoc die ; 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont.
et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Edmundum Manning de Dadington : em. v. et m. ;
c. per afflictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio
ecclesie die Dominco vlt. ; in postmeridiem.
- c. Tho. Merser de Dadington : pena est reseruata ;
denuo reservatur pena.
- c. Wm. Parker curatum de Bodicote : res. est pena in
h.d. ; in postmeridiem.
- c. Joh. Tenant de Stunsfyld : ad comparendum hoc die *f. 158.*
ad certificandum super restitutione ostii sedilis ;
monitus est sub pena iuris ad reparandum sedile
et restituendum ostium citra festum Natiuitatis.

f.158 cont. c. Ric. Blandie de Cottisford ad prob. test. rectoris de Cottisford : res. est pena ; denuo res. est pena in px.

c. Joh. Burde de Stokelyne frequentat consortium Alicie Wildgose valde suspiciose : decretum est pro eo v. et m.¹ ; non executum ; em.

c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : denuo res. est pena in h.d. ; 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em. ex.

c. Vincentium Curson de Waterperie, detectus : stet.

c. Katherinam Scott de Waterperie : em. ex. ; executi et reducta provt patet per cert. subscriptum.

c. Tho. Dumbiloe et Emmam uxorem eiusdem parochie S. Martini Oxonie : em. citatio.

f. 158b. c. Wm. Giles parochie S. Marie Magdalene Oxonie : res. est pena ; denuo res. est pena.

c. Arthurum Price parochie S. Michaelis Oxonie : denuo res. est pena ; 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; reducta est excommunicatio, executi provt patet per cert. in pede ; deinde 22 Januarii o.a. fatetur articulum esse verum et dicit that he dareth not come forth of his dores because he is indebted and feareth to be arrested.

c. Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : denuo res. est pena ; stet.

c. Wm. Somerton de Tadmerton propter inc. cum quadam Helena Fryer : em. v. et m. ; c. per W. per affixionem citacionis super ostio ecclesie die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Helenam Fryer de Tadmerton : em. v. et m. ; sim. executi vt supra ; vnde f.f. etc. ; dns. res. penam in px.

¹ c. per affixionem citacionis super ostio domus, *s.t.*

- c. Nicolaum Holloway de Barford Magna: non em.; *f. 158b*
comp., allegavit that he hath a widowe in his house *cont.*
one Alice Marshe whome he meanethe to marie
but doeth staye for feare of forfeiting of a copie-
houlde nowe in sute; habet ad solemnizandum
matrimonium citra Pentecost et absolvit eum a
sententia excommunicacionis in eum lata et[c].
- c. Aliciam Marshall de Barford Magna viduam, she liveth *f. 159.*
suspiciousley in the howse of Nicholas Hollowaye:¹
- c. Eliz. Webbe parochie de Wytneye ad prob. test.
mariti: c. per T. die Jovis vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p.
dns. pron. eam cont.; res. pena in px.
- c. Agnetem Derby de Shifforde, est gravida: c. per T.
die Veneris vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam
cont.; res. pena in px.
- c. Franciscam Springall de Kydlington, est gravida:
c. per T. die Jovis vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron.
eam cont. et in² . . .; comp., iur. et fassa est se
esse gravidam factam per Robertum Dod de le
Grainge parochie de Stepleaston qui eam primum
carnaliter cognovit in hayetyme last et sepius
postea et negat quod aliquis alius eam carnaliter
cognovit aut eius pudicitiam attemptavit; dns.
iniunxit illi penitentiam publicam secundum
formam scedule parochie mittende.
- c. Rob. Dode de Stepleaston³: c. personaliter per T.
die Mercurii vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum
cont.; res. pena in px.; comp., iur. vij^o Januarii
A^o dni. 1584 et fassus est se carnaliter cognovisse
Franciscam Springall primum circiter festum
Magdalene vlt. preteritum semel tantum et non
amplius vt dicit et hoc quidem fecit et commisit
cum dicta Francisca in domo dicti Springall apud
Thruppe super lecto ibidem et cum eadem per-
noctavit; dns. iniunxit illi penitentiam ij^{orum}
dierum secundum formam schedule parochie vbi
moram traxit mittende.

¹ est excommunicata, *s.t.*² penam ex. in scriptis, *s.t.*³ Middlebarton, *s.t.*

f. 159b. *c.* Wm. Pufforde de Wootton for hunting vpon Sondayes at service tymes : perquisitus per T. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. in px. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur that on Sundaye fortnight this respondent seeing certayne hunters abroad in Wootton filde went vnto them and folowed the dogges¹ all that morning, by reason wheareof he loste morning prayer ; d. est cum monicione.

c. Kath. Richardson de Charleton ad prob. test. mariti : perquisita per D. die Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. ; probatum coram Magistro Doctore Floid.

c. Davidem Williams de Iselippe ad prob. test. of his doughter : *c.* per D. die Sabbati ad quindenam ; monitus in postmeridiem ; comp. et d.

c. Wm. Watkins de Heathe ad prob. test. patris sui def. : *c.* per D. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.

c. Simonem Ellfricke de Hayford ad prob. test. matris sue def. ; perquisitus per D. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. per D. ; dns. decrevit eum citandum v. et m. in px.

f. 160. *c.* Julianam Maior de Charleton : *c.* per D. die Veneris ad septimanam ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.

c. Magistrum Wheler curatum de Hanwell : *c.* per W. die Jovis vlt. personaliter ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Jacobum Atwoode parrochie Nicholai Oxonie : *c.* per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; comp., monitus, ad subeundum iuramentum die Lune vel Martis ad septimanam.

c. Tho. Angell parrochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : *c.* personaliter per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. etc. ; comp., iur., allegavit causam dependere coram Domino Doctore Floyd.

¹ houndes, *s.t.*

- c. Wm. Shrimpton parochie predictæ : c. per Sy. die *f.160 cont.*
Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; comp., iur. ; sim.
- c. Jacobum Leton de eadem parochia : c. per Sy. die
Veneris vlt. ; in posterum diem.
- c. viduam Rowland parochie S. Nicholai predictæ : *f. 160b.*
perquisitus per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; comp., iur.
- c. Wm. Woollridge parochie S. Martini Oxonie : c.
personaliter die Veneris vlt. per Sy. ; vnde f.f. ;
in postmeridiem ; comp., iur.
- c. Joh. Garratt parochie S. Marie Magdalene Oxonie ; in
parochia Marie Magdalene etc. : c. per Sy die
Veneris vlt. ; comp., iur. et fassus est that at the
request of Mr Bellingham's man, one Hughe, he,
this respondent, went to Dumbleton wth a woman
great wth childe, one Margaret w^{ch} was brought to
this respondent on Botley Hilles in y^e waye betwene
Botley and Evensham, and theyre the sayde Hughe
did offer to this respondent xl^s to carrie the sayde
woman to Dumbleton aforesayde, and further
confesseth y^t the sayde Margaret toulde this
respondent that Mr Bellingham was father to her
childe ; dns. iniunxit ei penitentiam publicam
secundum formam shedule etc.
- c. Cuthbertum Atkinson parochie S. Petri in oriente
Oxonie : c. per Sy. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ;
comp., iur., monitus ad subeundum iuramentum
die Lune, Martis vel Mercurii ad septimanam.
- c. Tobiam Yates et eius uxorem parochie de Holiwell :
c. fuit dictus Tobias et perquisita fuit eius uxor ;
comp., monitus ; in postmeridiem ; comp., ad
a.o. fatetur that soometymes vpon occasion of
busines he is absent from his churche on Sundayes
and holidayes, being called to gentlemen to looke
vpon woerck or for other purpose, but never
willfullie doeth forbear the churche ; dns. eum
dimisit cum monicione.

- f. 160b* *cont.* *c.* Wm. Pycke de Cowleye : *c.* die Mercurii vlt. per Sy. ; comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur that on Sundayes or holidayes soometymes he hath helped his neigboore to doe a chare, but otherwise he vseth not to laboore ; dns. iniunxit ei ad solvendum in vsum pauperum dicte parochie xij^d et sic dimisit eundem.
- f. 161.* *c.* Joh. Foxley vicarium de Beckleye : *c.* per Sy. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp. ; in postmeridiem ; comp., iur., ad a.o. negat that he solemnized matrimonie betwene one Jhon Garrett and Margaret Borne at Dumbleton in Gloucetershier, in Binzey, or elleswheare ; vnde dns. eum dimisit.
- c.* uxorem Wmi. Seuis de Bartilmewes nuper defuncti ad prob. test. ; *c.* per Sy. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c.* Magdalenam Wirg parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : *c.* personaliter per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; in postmeridiem ; comp., iur. et ad b.d. respondet and sayeth that she hathe ben three weekes in Layton's howse or thereabowthes, and saith that she is appointed to staye there for a tyme vntill a matter in controversie betwene this respondentes husband and one Holidaye and this respondent be tried by order of lawe.
- c.* Rob. Whytton de Lewckno^r impregnavit Julianam Floide : perquisitus per M. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m.
- c.* Julianam Floide de Lewcknor : perquisita per M. die Lune vlt. ; sim.
- c.* Joh. Floide de Crowell : perquisitus per M. die Lune vlt. ; sim.
- f. 161b.* *c.* Eliz. Hosier de Swerford propter suspicionem incontinentie cum quodam Johanne Holowaye : comp., iur., ad a.o. negat carnalem copulam cum Johanne Holowaye vel quod vnquam attemptauit pudicitiam istius respondentis, fatetur tamen that m^r parson of Swerford, M^r Williams, did tell this respondent

that theare was suspicion betwene Jhon Hollowaye *f. 161b*
 and this respondent of incontinecie and warned *cont.*
 her not to vse his cumpanie ; dns. monuit eam ad
 comparendum hoc die ad mensem ad videndum
 vltiora et famam probari ; dns. monuit eam ne
 imposterum frequentet consortium dicti Johannis
 nisi in locis publicis et honestis sub pena iuris ;
 monitus est Nicholaus Holowaye ad comparendum
 hoc die ad mensem ad obiiciendum si quid potuit
 contra dictam Elizabetham.

In dei nomine amen . . . Davidem Aprice,
 Alisiam Aprice, Janam Hickes, Margeriam Bourne,
 Clement de Combe, Alisiam Bardock, Arthurum
 Price, Wm. Somerton, ¹Wheler curatum de
 Hanwell,
 propter [&c. *as usual*].

Vicesimo nono die mensis Decembris anno dni. *f. 162.*
 1584 coram Magistro Doctore Glasier Archi-
 diaconatus Oxonie Officiali etc.

- c. Cuthbertum Atkinson parrochie S. Petri in oriente
 Oxonie : quo die comp. dictus Cuthbertus et ad
 b.d. gardianorum parrochie predictae in vimiuramenti
 per eum prius prestiti respondet et negat detec-
 tionem esse veram quoad primam partem, for he
 is able to prove the contrarie bye divers fullers of
 Abington. Ad ^{ij}^{dam} respondet et dicit that he
 doethe vse to come bothe to the church to service
 and sermons as orderlie as anie other man doeth
 in the towne, bothe to his owne parishe church
 when anie sermons be there and allso to other
 places, et aliter negat detectionem esse veram. Ad
 b.d. gardianorum de Hollywell respondet et fatetur
 that in the winter season he doethe vse to sett his
 racke vpon Sondayes in the morning before morning
 prayer, and so doethe moste of the fullers in
 Englande vse to doe, because otherwyse they
 cannott kepe promise wth their customers, for
 that there is somtymes scarce one fayre daye in a
 whole weeke, and otherwyse he denieth the detecte
 to be trewe.

¹ Franciscam Springall *s.t.* ; space left for Christian name before
 Wheler.

f. 162 cont.

Secundo die Januarii A° dni 1584 infra hospitium
Magistri Doctoris Glasier coram eodem Magistro
Doctore Glasier etc.

- c.* Wm. Dawsten parochie S. Egidii de Oxonia : quibus die
et loco comp. personaliter dictus Dawsten iura-
mento per dominum oneratus de fideliter respon-
dendo positionibus et articulis illi obiiciendis et
obiecto illi crimine incontinentie cum quadam
Alicia Busshoppe de Banburye negat penitus in
vim iuramenti prestiti se vnquam carnaliter
cognovisse eandem vel quod vnquam eius pudici-
tiam attemptavit et sponte obtulit se ad purgandum
de et super crimine predicto cum quarta manu
vicinorum suorum in tres septimanas.

*f. 162b.*5^{to} Januarii 1584

- c.* Magdalenam Iles de Haliwell : comp., iur., fatetur se
esse gravidam et impregnata per quendam Tho.
Browne de Cassington qui primo istam responden-
tem carnaliter cognovit circiter festum Pentecostis
vlt. in quadam superiori camera domus cuiusdam
Johannis Webster de Haliwel domini istius
respondentis et sepius postea antedictum festum
Pentecostis ; iniunctum est ei penitentiam publicam
in ecclesia de Haliwell px. die Dominico secundum
formam schedule transmittende ; respectuatur
penitentia vsque in tempus.

ACTA coram venerabili viro Thoma Glasier legum
doctore Archidiaconatus Oxonie Officiali legitime
constituto ix° die mensis Januarii anno dni.

1584 in aula sua infra collegium

Exonie in Oxonia.

- c.* Barbaram Nicolles parochie S. Ebbe Oxonie ; xxij^d :
c. per T. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur. et fassa
est that vpon Twelffe daye last past at evening
prayer this respondent was in her seate wheare
she was appointed to sitt by the churchwardens
there, & there she hathe sytt by the space of

v yeares, and abowte the middle of evening prayer *f. 162b*
 goodwiffe Hopkins came into the churche into the *cont.*
 same seate and offered to take the ou^{er} hande in
 the seate of this respondent, and sayed vnto her
 that she wolde move her seate, and after evening
 prayer was donne theye fell at further woordes
 insomutche that goodwiffe Hopkins called this
 respondent basterd and sayed she wold prove her
 a basterd, and therevpon this respondent sayed
 vnto her, whoso^{eu}er saithe that I am a basterde
 I saye she is a whore of her tong.

c. Margeriam Hopkins parochie S. Ebbe Oxonie, c. per
 T. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur. et fassa est that
 vpon Twelfe daye at night last past after evening
 prayer was donne this respondent and Barbara
 Nicholles fell at woordes together in the churche
 for theire seates, and because that Nicolles is not
 a ffreman the churchwardens there placed this
 respondent being a freman's wiffe in the seate wth
 the said Barbara Nicholles and vpon the better
 hand in the seate, and because this respondent
 offered to take her seate at the beginning of
 evening prayer the sayed Barbara iostled ffurther
 into the seate and wolde not lett her come into her
 owne place there, whevpon [*sic*] this respondent
 sayed vnto her, yf yowe will not lett me come into
 mye owne seat I will sitt vpon yo^r lappe the nexte
 daye, and therevpon grewe ffurther woordes of
 inconvenience betwene theime, as whore and
 basterd & suche lyke as heareafter bye order of
 lawe shall appeare.

c. Joh. Stiles parochie S. Petri in ballivo for maintening
 his boye to breake downe the windows & slattes
 of the churche, & hathe had waring to chasten his
 boye for the same but doeth not, but doeth give
 flowtes & mockes to those that monish him for the
 same, but doeth mainteine his boye in his lewnes
 [*sic*] still : c. per T. die Veneris vlt.

c. Joh. Stiles parochie S. Petri in balliuo Oxonie : [*no f. 163.*
entry].

f. 163 cont.

Comissa est administratio bonorum Raphaell' Bezaker Izabelle eius relicte in persona Michaelis Woolleye de Henleye yeoman; obligetur dictus Michaelis.

f. 163b. [blank.]

f. 164.

Incipit Terminus Hilarii anno dni. 1584 et Elizabethhe regine anno xxvij^o.

ACTA . . . xvj^{to} Januarii A^o dni. 1584 coram venerabilibus viris Magistris Doctore Kennall et Doctore Glasier, etc.

c. Eliz. Bezaker de Henley ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena ; concessa est ei administratio bonorum mariti sui def.

c. Magistrum Stoner armigerum firmarium rectorie de Rotherfylde Graye : res. est pena.

c. Tho. Whyting de Brightwell : em. ex.

c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynm^r : res. est pena ; 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.

c. Aliciam Wildgose de Stokelyne : em. ex.

f. 164b. c. Davidem Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joannan Hickes et Margeriam Borne de Wendleburye : em. ex.

c. gardianos de Chesterton : em. ex.

c. Agnetem Styles de Wootton ad prob. test. mariti : [no entry].

c. Magistram Vines de Piddington : res. est pena in h.d. ; d.

c. Joannam Rowsham de Hanwell ad prob. test. mariti : stet.

- c. Annam Seling de Southnewton : em. lit. pen. pro dicta *f. 164b*
Anna et Thoma Lucas ; reducte sunt lit. pen. *cont.*
vnacum cert. Magistri Orell vicarii ibidem dictam
Annam recusasse subire penitentiam iuxta formam
schedule transmissae ; vnde dns. pron. eam cont.
et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Siciliam Loe de Tewe : ad prob. test. mariti. *f. 165.*
- c. Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : est excommunicata.
- c. Joh. Clarke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie :
est excommunicatus sed non denunciatus.
- c. Magistrum Tho. Penne de Chinnor et Mariam eius
uxorem : em. v. et m.
- c. Clement de Combe ; vide antea : est excommunicatus.
- c. Edmundum Manning de Dadington : res. est pena ;
denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Tho. Merser de Dadington : res. est pena ; sim.
- c. Wm. Parker curatum de Bodicote : res. est pena ; d. *f. 165b.*
- c. Joh. Tenant de Stunsfyld : ad certificandum super
restitutione ostii sedilis ; habet ad reparandum
ostium et sedile citra festum S. Johannis.
- c. Ric. Blandi de Cottesford : ad prob. rectoris de
Cottisford testamentum.
- c. Joh. Byrde de Stokelyne ; vide a retro : em. v. et m. ;
c. personaliter per D. quarto Januarii 1584 ; vnde
f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in
scriptis.
- c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : em. ex.
- c. Vincentium Curson de Waterperie : stet.
- c. Tho. Dumbilowe et Emmam uxorem eiusdem parochie
S. Martini Oxonie : em. citatio.

- f. 165b cont.* c. Wm. Gyles parochie S. Marie Magdalene Oxonie ; res. est pena ; 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- f. 166.* c. Rogerum Wallen et eius uxorem de Hedington : res. est pena ; stet.
- c. Wm. Somerton de Tadmerton ; vide a retro ; propter inc. : em. excommunicatio in scriptis ; executi ut patet per cert. in dorso.
- c. Elenam Fryer de Tadmerton : res. est pena ; denuo res. est pena in puerperium.
- c. Eliz. Webbe parochie de Wytney ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena ; denuo in quindenam.
- c. Wm. Watkins de Heathe ad prob. test. patris sui def. : res. in px.
- c. Simonem Ellstricke de Hayford ad pontem ad prob. test. matris sue def. ; em. citatio v. et m. ; executi super ostio solite habitacionis dicti Ellstrick sexto instantis Januarii ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- f. 166b.* c. Julianam Maior de Charleton : res. est pena in px.
- c. Magistrum Wheler curatum de Hanwell : em. ex.
- c. Joh. Meades parochie de Spellisbury impregnavit quandam : c. per S. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Ric. Francis de Chippingnorton : c. per S. ; comp., iur., dimissus eo quod quidam Johannes Pannier frater Wmi. Pannier allegavit Ric. Francis iniuste vexatum per Wm. Pannier cui satisfactum est pro legato petito.
- c. Eliz. Hosier de Swerforde : perquisita per S. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; in postmeridiem ; comp. et dns. eam dimisit ab ulteriori vexacione eo quod Nicholaus Holowaye monitus ad comparendum ad

hos diem et locum ad obiiendum si quid potuit *f. 166b*
 contra dictam Elizabetham ; minime comp. etc. *cont.*

- c. Margaretam Hall parochie Marie Magdalene Oxonie :
 c. per Sy. die Jovis vlt. ; satisfecit pro curatoribus
 academie et sic d.

- c. Elinoram Parsons parochie Marie Magdalene Oxonie : *f. 167.*
 c. per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; peregit
 penitentiam vt patet per cert. ; comp., iur. et
 monita, deinde o.a. dicit that one Thomas a cutler
 of Woodstocke vsinge to come to Oxford hapened
 to be acquainted wth this respondent and did
 begett her wth child as she saith, and saith further
 that noe man els had to doe wth her, etc.

- c. Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti :
 c. per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et *3p. dns.*
 pron. eam cont. et res. pena in quindenam.

- c. uxorem Tonnes de Cowleye : c. per S. die Veneris vlt. ;
 vnde f.f. vt supra.

- c. Joh. Gurden de Tadmerton impregnauit quandam Kath.
 Thompson alias Kenche : c. per W. ; vnde f.f. ; in
 postmeridiem ; comp., iur., fatetur carnalem
 copulam cum quadam Helena [*sic*] Tomson alias
 Kenche de Wiggenton primo in ebdomoda ante
 festum Pentecostis vlt. et semel postea sed negat
 that the childe wheareof shee was delivered the
 Tewsdaye before Christmas laste is his childe ;
 dns. super confessione iniunxit ei penitentiam
 publicam secundum formam schedule transmit-
 tende peragendam ; stet.

- c. Kath. Thompson alias Kenche : c. per W. die Dominico
 ad septimanam elapsam ; in purificationem.

- c. Alexandrum West de Bodicote impregnauit quandam
 Esabellam Warde de Bodicot vt iactitauit ; c. per
 W. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; comp., iur., ad a.o.
 fatetur that in the presence of Richard Andrewes
 this respondentes m^r, this respondent did reporte
 & saye that Izabell Ward came to him & her

f. 167 cont.

brother to bed in her brother's house, but denieth vpon his othe that he had ever carnall knowledge of her bodie, or ever ment suche matter¹; obtulit purgacionem cum 3^a in quindenam.

f. 167b. c. Izabellam Warde de Bodicote: c. per W. die Jovis vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont.; res. pena in px.

c. Tho. Browne de Cassington: perquisitus [per] T. die Jovis vlt.; vnde f.f.; v. et m.

c. Edmundum Harris parochie de Bampton ad prob. test. matris sue def.: c. per T. die Veneris vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont.; res. pena in px.

c. Elenam Coxeter de Cote parochie de Bampton, est gravida: perquisita per T. die Veneris vlt.; vnde f.f.; aufugit; vnde f.f.; v. et m.; in px.

c. Dominum Rob. Hyatt curatam de Bampton: c. per T. die Jovis vlt.; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont.; res. pena in px.

c. Joannam Winchcombe de Bampton: c. per T. die Veneris vlt.; vnde f.f.; v. et m.; in px.

f. 168. c. Wm. Griffynne de Stratton Audeley: c. per D. die Veneris ad septimanam elapsam; comp., iur. et obiecta ei incontinentia cum quadam Joanna Francklin negat prorsus in vim iuramenti prestiti quod vnquam carnaliter cognovit dictam Joannam vel quod aliquando attemptavit illius pudicitiam, negat et famam.

c. Joannam Franckline de Stratton Audley: c. per D.; vnde f.f.; 3p. nemine comparente dns. pron. eam cont.; iur., et monita, ad a.o. fatetur se gravidam et impregnatam per quendam Richardum Griffin qui primo carnaliter cognovit istam respondentem circiter primum diem Augusti in domo cuiusdam Wmi. Chilingwoorth de Stoakeline et saepius

¹ negat famam, *s.l.*

postea et negat quod alius quispiam eam cognovit *f. 168 cont.*
 carnaliter ; dns. super confessione sua iniunxit
 ei penitentiam publicam peragendam in ecclesia
 parochiali de Stretton Audley secundum formam
 schedule transmittende sed distulit in spem
 matrimonii futuri.

- c. Ric. Griffyn de Stratton Audley : c. per D. die Veneris
 ad septimanam elapsam ; 3*p.* eiusdem, non
 comparente dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Joannam Turner de Souldren, est. gravida : c. per D.
 die Jovis ad septimanam elapsam ; vnde f.f. etc. ;
 dns. eam excommunicavit.
- c. Simonem Hopper de Souldren impregnavit Joannam
 Turner : perquisitus per D. die Jovis ad septi-
 manam elapsam ; v. et m. in px.
- c. Aliciam Perkins de Blackethorne : c. die Dominico
 vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. eam excommunicavit.
- c. Margaretam Smythe de Blackethorne : c. per D. die *f. 168b.*
 Lune vlt. ; comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur that shee
 tooke possession of the place y^t Anne Cripes sate
 in & hathe sate in these 13 yeares bye vsurping &
 not of right because Geoffrey Smithe, fathe^r in lawe
 to this respondent, had noe wiffe bye the space of
 xxvij years at the leaste, but vsed noe woordes of
 disquietnes niether towards Anne Crippes nor
 enie other, but onelye to clayme his right ; citetur
 in px. ; ex officio.
- c. Annam Crippes de Ambrosden : c. per D. die Lune
 vlt. ; comp., iur., ad b.d. respondet that on St
 Jhon's daye in Christmas laste this respondent
 came to the churche and sate in y^e place and seate
 wheare she hathe sate these xiiij yeares and one
 goodwiffe Nashe before her, whoe dwelled in y^e house
 this respondent nowe inhabitethe 7 yeares, and
 others y^t inhabited the house y^t this respondent
 nowe hathe a long tyme before, and was disturbed
 bye Margaret Smithe & thearevpon departed the
 churche & vsed noe woordes ; dns. decrevit in hanc

f. 168b
cont.

formam viz. that this respondent shall keepe her seate which she hath inioyed for the space of xiiij yeares as is before deposed and willed her to keepe her sayde place vntill shee heare further.

c. Hen. Watson de Heath et Tho. Eldrige de Iselippe :¹

c. Wm. Watkins de Heathe ad prob. test. patris def. : res. est pena ; in px.

c. Simonem Ellfricke de Hayforde ad pontem, ad prob. test. matris def. [*struck through*] : c. per D.

f. 169. c. Jacobum Atwood parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : non est examinatus.

c. Wm. Shrimpton parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : non examinatus.

c. Jacobum Leaton parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : non examinatus.

c. viduam Rowland parochie S. Nicholai predicti : non examinatus.

c. Wm. Woolbridge parochie S. Martini Oxonie : non examinatus.

c. uxorem Wmi. Dens de Bartilmewes nuper defuncti ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena in px.

f. 169b. c. Rob. Whytton de Lewcknor impregnauit Julianam Floyde : decretum est pro eo v. et m. ; c. per M. per afflictionem citacionis v. et m. super ostio domus eius die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. eiusdem, non comparente dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.

c. Julianam Floide de Lewcknor : decretum est pro ea v. et m. ; stet in px.

¹ for the apparitor v. et m., *s.t.* It is not clear what the clerk meant by this entry, but probably he was merely noting that the apparitor was to be directed to execute a citation *viis et modis*.

- c. Joh. Floide de Crowell : decretum est pro eo v. et m. ; *f. 169b*
 c. per M. die Mercurii per afflictionem citacionis *cont.*
 super ostio domus eius ; vnde f.f. ; dns. pron. eum
 cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Tho. Peareman de Harpesden : c. personaliter per M.
 die Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. eiusdem dns.
 pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Agnetem Peareman de Harpesden : perquisita per M.
 die Dominico vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. in px.
- c. Kath. London de Byxe, est gravida : stet in postpuer-
 perium ; Joh. Martinne de Byxe husbandman
 comp. et suscepit in se ad inducendum eandem
 Katherinam post puerperium.
- c. executricem Sebastiani Borde de Henleye def. : c. *f. 170.*
 per M. die Jovis ad septimanam elapsam ; vnde
 f.f. ; dns. reseruavit penam in px.
- c. Wm. Pearman de Harpesden : c. per M. die Dominico
 vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ; res.
 pena in px.

In dei nomine amen nos Tho. Glasier . . . Annam
 Seeling, Joh. Bird, Wm. Giles, Joannam Turner,
 Aliciam Perkins, Rob. Whytton,
 propter [&c., *as usual*].

[*blank*].

f. 170b.

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. xxiiij^o die mensis Januarii *f. 171.*
 anno domini iuxta computacionem ecclesie Anglicane
 millesimo quingentesimo octogesimo quarto hora
 causarum consueta coram venerabili viro
 Magistro Thoma Glasier.

- c. Magistrum Stonner armigerum firmarium rectorie de
 Rotherfylde Gray : res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicatio non
 est reducta.

f. 171 cont. c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynmere : excommunicatio¹ emissa.

c. Aliciam Wildgoose de Stokelyne :² reducta est excommunicatio.

c. Davidum Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Johannam Hikes et Margaretam Borne de Wendleburie : sim. non reducta est excommunicatio.

f. 171b. c. gardianos de Chesterton : excommunicatio non est reducta ; d.

c. Agnetem Styles de Wootton ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : [*no entry*].

c. Magistram Vines de Piddington³ : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; stet.

c. Annam Selinge de South Newton : excommunicatio non est emissa ; emittatur eo quod non peregit penitentiam iuxta decretum iudicis etc. ; em.

c. Ciciliam Loe de Tew ad prob. test. mariti : citetur.

c. Margaretam Grove de Eynisham : restat excommunicata.

f. 172. c. Joh. Clerke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie : restat excommunicatus ; denunciatur.

c. Magistrum Tho. Penne de Chinner et Mariam eius uxorem : em. decretum v. et m.

c. Aliciam Abraham de eadem : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

c. [*blank*] Clement de Combe for brawling in the church on All Hallow day : excommunicatio non est emissa.

¹ non est, *s.t.*

² non, *s.t.*

³ Puddinge Norton, *s.t.*

- c. Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d.; in px. *f. 172 cont.*
- c. Tho. Merse de eadem : sim. res. est pena ; sim.
- c. Ric. Blandie de Cotisford ad prob. test. rectoris de Cotisford def. : *[no entry]*.
- c. Joh. Bird de Stokelyne frequentat consortium Alicie Wildgose valde suspiciose : excommunicatio est emissa. *f. 172b.*
- c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : em. ex.
- c. Tho. Dumbilow parochie S. Martini et Emmam uxorem eiusdem : em. citatio ; d.
- c. Wm. Giles parochie S. Marie Magdalene : excommunicatio non est emissa ; emittatur.
- c. Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : pena contumacie reseruatur in puerperium.
- c. Eliz. Webbe de Witney ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : res. est pena contumacie in px.
- c. Simonem Ellstercke de Heyford ad pontem ad prob. test. matris sue def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; 3p. dns. denuo pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em. *f. 173.*
- c. Julianam Maior de Charlton : res. est pena contumacie ; in px.
- c. Magistrum Wheler curatum de Hanwell : em. ex.
- c. Joh. Meades parochie de Spilsburie impregnauit quandam : excommunicatio est emissa et reducta, executi per cert. in dorso ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur carnalem copulam cum quadam Clemente Saunders et preterea confitetur contractum matrimoniale inter eum et dictam Clementem and meaneth to marie her infra quindenam et ad certificandum px. post ; dns. distulit penitentiam

f. 173 cont.

propter spem matrimonii futuri et statim ad petitionem eiusdem absoluit eum a sententia excommunicationis in eum lata et restituit eundem sacramentis ecclesie etc. hoc die ad tres septimanas elapsas.

c. Ric. Frances de Chippinge Norton : d.

c. Eliz. Hosier de Swerford : d.

c. Eliz. Parsons¹ alias Tew parochie S. Marie Magdalene quia peperit prolem : excommunicata est ; dns. iniunxit ei ad peragendum penitentiam in ecclesia parochiali die Dominico px.

c. Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : res. est pena in px.

f. 173b. c. uxorem Tonnes de Cowley : res. est pena in px.

c. Kath. Thompson alias Kenche de Wigginton gravida facta est per Joh. Gurden de Tadmerton : res. est pena in purificationem.

c. Allexandrum West de Boddicote impregnavit Isabellam Ward de eadem : habet ad purg. se in px. super confessione sua ; emittatur proclamacio pro obiicere volentibus.

c. Isabellam Ward de eadem : res. est pena in px.

c. Tho. Browne de Cassington : decretum est pro Browne v. et m. ; em.

c. Edmundum Harris de Bampton ad prob. test. matris sue def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.

c. Elenam Coxeter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida est : decretum est pro Coxeter v. et m. ; em.

f. 174. c. Dominum Rob. Hiatt curatum de Bampton : sim. v. et m. ; em.

¹ Parsons repeated and s.t.

- c. Joanam Winchecombe de eadem: sim. v. et m.; em. *f.174 cont.*
- c. Wm. Griffyn de Stratton Audley: examinatus est; d.
- c. Ric. Griffen de Stratton Audley: res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Joanam Turner de Souldron, gravida facta est per Simonem Hopperwell de eadem: excommunicatio est emissa.
- c. dictum Hopperwell¹: decretum est Harper [*sic*] citandum fore in px.; v. et m.; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur carnalem copulam cum Joanna Turner semel tantum circiter festum Michaelis vlt. in domo patris dicte Joane and sayethe further that he meaneth to marie her infra septimanam for they are all asked; dns. distulit penitentiam in tempus matrimonii solemnizationis.
- c. Aliciam Perkins de Blackethorne: excommunicatio est emissa.
- c. Hen. Watson de Heath et Tho. Eldridge de Islipp: *f. 174b.* citatus est Eldridge die Dominico vlt. personaliter² et Hen. Watson die Mercurii vlt. per afflictionem citacionis super ostio solite habitacionis Watson predicti; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eos et eorum quemlibet cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis; em.
- c. Wm. Watkins de Heath ad prob. test. patris sui def.: res. est pena in h.d.; 3p. excommunicavit; em.
- c. Jacobum Atwood parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie: non est examinatus.
- c. Wm. Shrimpton de eadem: sim.
- c. Jacobum Leaton de eadem: sim.
- c. viduam Rowland de eadem: sim.
- c. Wm. Wulbridge parochie S. Martini Oxonie: sim.

¹ “-well” *over caret.*

² “vnde fac,” *s.t.*

- f. 175. c. uxorem Wmi. Dens de Bartlemew's def. ad prob. test eiusdem def. : pena contumacie reservatur in h.d. ; in px.*
- c. Rob. Whitton de Lewknor, impregnavit Julianam Floid de eadem : excommunicatio non est emissa.*
- c. eandem Julianam : decretum est pro ea v. et m.*
- c. Joh. Floid de Crowell : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.*
- c. Tho. Pearman de Harpsden : sim.*
- c. Agnetem Pearman de eadem : decretum v. et m. non est emissum.*
- c. Kath. London de Bixe : Joh. Mortimer de eadem habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.*
- f. 175b. c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test. dicti def. : res. est pena in px.*
- c. Wm. Pearman de Harpesden : sim.*
- c. Joanam Symons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti sui : c. fuit per T. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.*
- c. Rogerum Woodes de Goaringe pro lenocinio : c. fuit per T. die Martis predicti ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.*
- c. Editham Osborne de eadem, gravida est : c. fuit per T. die Martis vlt. ; sim. vt supra ; em.*
- c. Dorotheam Maye de Bampton pro inc. cum Richardo Palmer curato de Bricenorton, detecta est : c. fuit per eundem T. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur carnalem copulam cum dicto Palmer in domo istius respondentis citra mediam estatem px. elapsam ; stet.*

- c. dictum dominum Ric. Palmer : perquisitus¹ fuit per *f. 176.*
T. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. ; em. ;
postea comp. et examinatus est.
- c. Eliz. Jorden alias Hickes de Burford : c. fuit per T. die
Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; excommunicavit ; ne
extrahatur ante px. ; introductum² est testamen-
tum et probatum per executricem.
- c. Wm. Herne de Kenckham pro inc. viz., wth beggers
and suche like in barnes : perquisitus fuit per
[*struck through*] Shaw die Lune vlt.³
- c. [*blank*] Hadlond de eadem for not cominge to churche
on dyvrs [*sic*] Sonndays : c. fuit personaliter per
S. die Lune vlt. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur that
vpon occasion of busines verie earnest he, this
respondent, was absent from his parish churche
on Sundaye before S^t Hughes daye laste, but
willfullie he doethe never absent himselfe ; d. cum
monicione ; this respondent was bownd wth Herne
for the payment of v^{ll} and therevpon was absent
from the churche.
- c. Wm. Herne de eadem pro eadem causa : perquisitus
fuit diligenter per S. ; comp., iur. ; Hearne est d.
- c. David Keene de eadem pro inc. viz., wth beggers in
barnes etc. : perquisitus per S. ; convenientur
gardiani pro billa detectionis.
- c. Walterum Graingeman de Rolwright Magna for *f. 176b.*
fightinge in the belfrie, detectus est ; perquisitus
per S. etc. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m.
- c. Stephanum Smith de eadem pro eadem causa : sim. ;
comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur that Water [*sic*]
Graingeman did strike this respondent on S^t
Hughes eave because he reprooved the sayde
Grayngeman for his lewde behavior in the churche

¹ citatus, *s.t.*

² *MS.* introducta.

³ No doubt the clerk meant to strike through the whole entry.

f. 176b
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the same tyme and denieth that he did strike or offer enie violence to the sayde Grayngeman in the churche ; monitus est in px. ad comparandum.

- c. Edwardum Deene de Boddicote pro inc. sua cum Isabella Ward de eadem, viz. he went to bed to her : c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per W. ; comp., iur. et obiecta eidem incontinentia cum Izabella Warde negat prorsus carnalem copulam cum dicta Izabella vel quod vnquam attemptavit illius pudicitiam, negat et famam.
- c. Joh. Colles iuniorem de Kidlington : c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per dictum W. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c. Wm. Carter de Michael Tew pro feodo curie viz. viij^d : c. fuit die Mercurii ad septimanam vlt. preteritam.

f. 177. c. Margaretam Smith de Blackthorne for brawlinge in the churche : c. fuit per D. die Lune vlt. ; dicta Margeria [*sic*] induxit in testes ad probandum sedile de quo controvertitur inter prefatam Margeriam et Annam Cripes quosdam Ric. Smithe et Ric. Ilberie quos dns. admisit et iureiurando oneravit de dicendo omnem materiam et plenam veritatem, non sunt examinati eo quod causa vertitabitur in iudicio inter partes predictas pro iure et titulo dicti sedilis et monite sunt partes vt quiete se gerant donec causa fuerit determinata.

In dei nomine amen . . . Simonem Elstreke, Hen. Watson, Tho. Eldrige, Wm. Watkins, Rogerum Woodes, Editham Osborne, Eliz. Iorden alias HICKES, Joh. Coles iuniorem,
propter [*&c., as usual*].¹

f. 177b. [*blank.*]

¹ *In margin* stet pro iuide', (probably for "iudice"). Perhaps the judge did not sign the schedule in court as usual and this was a memorandum that it awaited his attention.

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. penultimo die mensis f. 178.
 Januarii anno domini iuxta computationem
 ecclesie Anglicane 1584 hora causarum
 consueta . . .

- c. Magistrum Stonner armigerum firmarium rectorie de
 Rotherfeld Graye : res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicatio non
 est reducta.
- c. Joanam Atwicke de Fynmere : em. ex.
- c. Davidum Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joanam Hickes et
 Margaretam Borne de Wendleburie : non reducta
 est excommunicatio.
- c. Agnetem Styles de Wootton ad prob. test. mariti : f. 178b.
 exhibuit ; d.
- c. Annam Seelinge de Sowth Newton : em. ex.
- c. Ciciliam Loe de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. :
 citetur.
- c. Joh. Clercke parochie Omnium Sanctorum Oxonie :
 em. ex. ; reducta est ; d.
- c. Magistrum Tho. Penne de Chinner et Marianam
 uxorem eius : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Aliciam Abraham de eadem : res. est¹ erat pena
 contumacie in vltima curia.
- c. [blank] Clement de Combe for brawlinge in the church f. 179.
 on All Hallow day : excommunicatio non est
 emissa.
- c. Edmundum Manninge de Daddington : res. est pena
 contumacie in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena.
- c. Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.

¹ The clerk omitted to strike through this word which from force of habit he wrote in error.

f. 179 cont. c. Ric. Blandie de Cotisford ad prob. test. rectoris de Cotisford : [no entry].

c. Joh. Bird de Stokelyne frequentat consortium Alicie Wildgose valde suspiciose : em. ex.

c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : em. ex.

f. 179b. c. Wm. Giles parochie S. Marie Magdalene : em. ex. ; quinto Februarii 1584 comp. Giles et o.a. negat articulum esse verum and saith further that he hath but ij children in all and neither of them were then at the tyme of the presentment able to goe of themselues into the churcheyarde to doe any suche thinge ; vnde dns. eum dimisit etc.

c. Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : pena contumacie reservatur in puerperium.

c. Eliz. Webb de Witney ad prob. test. mariti : pena contumacie reservatur in h.d. ; in px.

c. Simonem [El]¹stercke de Hayford ad[p]¹ontem ad prob. test. matris sue def. : em. ex.

c. Julianam Maior de Charlton : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.

c. Magistrum Wheler curatum de Hanwell : em. ex. ; d.

f. 180. c. Eliz. Parsons alias Tew parochie S. Marie Magdalene quia peperit prolem ; habuit ad peragendum penitentiam die Dominico vlt. et ad certificandum in h.d.

c. Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.

c. uxorem Tonnes de Cowley : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

c. Kath. Thompson alias Kenche de Wigginton gravida facta est per Joh. Gurden de Tadmerton : res. est pena in purificationem.

¹ Edge of page torn.

- c. Alexandrum West de Boddicote impregnauit Isabellam *f. 180 cont.*
Ward de eadem : habet ad purg. se in h.d. ; d.
- c. dictam Isabellam : res. est pena in h.d. ; sim.
- c. Tho. Browen de Cassington : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Edmundum Harris de Bampton ad prob. test. matris *f. 180b.*
sue def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; administracio
bonorum dicte def. committatur prefato Edmundo
etc.
- c. Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida
est : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Dominum Rob. Hiat curatum de Bampton : em.
decretum v. et m. ; deinde comp. et examinatus est.
- c. Johannam Winchcombe de eadem : sim.
- c. Ric. Griffen de Stratton Audley : res. est pena
contumacie in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Joannam Turner de Souldren, gravida facta est per
Simonem Hoperwell de eadem : em. ex.
- c. dictum Simonem Hopperwell : penitentia differtur in *f. 181.*
solemnizacionem matrimonii.
- c. Aliciam Perkins de Blackthorn : em. ex.
- c. Hen. Watkins de Heath et Tho. Eldridge de Islipp :
em. ex.
- c. Jacobum Atwood parochie S. Nicholai Oxonie : non
est examinatus.
- c. Wm. Shrimpton de eadem : sim.
- c. Jacobum Leaton de eadem : sim. ; deinde o.a. fassus
est that he kept a woman in his howse to kepe his
wiffe against she shold lie in childbed ; vnde dns.
monuit dictum Leaton that he shold not suffer her
to remayne eny longer in his howse.

f. 181 cont. c. Margaretam Ridley de eadem viduam : sim. ; deinde o.a. respondet that she did not contend at eny tyme in the churche but saith that the churchewarden one Gibbons came to her in the churche and there placed ij othere boddies into her seat and saith that there was never more than iiij did ever sett in [the] said seate ; vnde dns. eam dimisit etc.

f. 181b. c. Wm. Wolriche parochie S. Martini Oxonie : non est examinatus.

c. uxorem Wmi. Dens de Bartlemew's def. ad prob. test. dicti def. : pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d. ; in px.

c. Rob. Whitton de Lewkner, impregnauit Julianam Floyde de eadem : excommunicatio non est emissa.

c. dictam Julianam Floyde : decretum est pro ea v. et m.

c. Joh. Floyde de Crowell : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo.

c. Tho. Peareman de Harpysden : sim.

f. 182. c. Agnetem Pearman de eadem : decretum est pro ea v. et m.

c. Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer de eadem habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.

c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test. dicti def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.

c. Wm. Pearman de Harpsden : sim.

c. Joanam Symons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti sui : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo.

c. Rogerum Woodes de Goaringe pro lenocinio : em. ex.

f. 182b. c. Editham Osborne de Goaringe, gravida est : em. ex.

- c. Eliz. Jorden alias Hickes de Burford : excommunicatio *f. 182b*
non est emissa. *cont.*
- c. Davidum Keene de Kenckham pro inc. sua wth beggers
in barnes etc. : d.
- c. Walterum Grangeman de Magna Wrolwright, for fitinge
in the belfrie detectus est : decretum v. et m. em. ;
tertio Februarii comp. Rogerus Brent et humiliter
nomine dicti Walteri Grangeman submitit se
domino iudicanti in domo solite habitacionis dicti
domini infra collegium Exonie Vniuersitatis
Oxonie et petiit dictum Walterum dimittendum
fore ab officio huiusmodi ; vnde dns. ad eius
peticionem dimisit etc.
- c. Stephanum Smith de eadem pro eadem causa : habet
ad comparendum in h.d. ad audiendum voluntatem
domini super confessione ; 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ;
res. pena in px.
- c. Joh. Coles iuniorem de Kydlington : em. ex. ; in
postmeridiem ; monitus est in diem Veneris px.
- c. Joh. Hickmeare de Astall quia impregnauit Mariam *f. 183.*
Chilse ante maritatu fuerunt : q. fuit per T. die
Mercurii vlt ; comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur carnalem
copulam cum Marie Chilse alias Hickmeare ante
matrimonium solemnizatum ; dns. iniunxit ei ad
solvendum in vsum pauperum xij^d et sic dimisit
vtrumque.
- c. dictam Mariam : sim. ; d.
- c. Wm. Cox de Astall Lee, for not cominge to churche :
c. fuit per T. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp. Wm. Cox
filius, excusator dicti Wmi. et allegauit dictum Wm.
esse valetudinarium et octogenarium ; vnde dns.
dimisit.
- c. Wm. Pickeringe de Burford for revilinge of the minister :
c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per T. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns.
pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.

- f. 183 cont. c.* Joh. Jorden de eadem ad prob. test. matris sue def. :
c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per T. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* ; sim.
- c.* Franciscam Joanes de Bampton, gravida facta est per
Tho. Stone de eadem : c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per
T. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur carnalem copulam
cum quodam Thoma Stone primo circiter 3^{es}
ebdomodas ante festum Michaelis px. elapsum in
domo dicti Thome et in lecto istius respondentis et
fatetur that the sayde Thomas Stone married the
mothe^r of this respondent and is her fathe^r in
lawe ; dns. iniunxit ei penitentiam publicam
secundum formam shedule etc.
- f. 183b. c.* dictum Tho. Stone : c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per T. ; comp.,
iur., ad a.o. fatetur carnalem copulam cum filia
uxoris sue saepius in domo sua et in lecto istius
respondentis viz., cum Francisca Joanes primo
circiter festum Michaelis vlt.
- c.* Ric. Prickett parochie S. Egidii Oxonie pro inc. cum
Margareta Richerdson parochie S. Nicholai : c. fuit
per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron.
eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; deinde o.a.
respondet et negat prorsus incontinentiam sed
dicit that abowt Michaelmas last past he did
contracte himself vnto the said Margaret ; vnde
dns. dimisit dictum Prickett.
- c.* Eliz. Thomas de Cowley ad prob. test. mariti sui def. :
c. fuit per Sy. die Mercurii vlt.
- c.* Joanam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti
sui def. : c. fuit per Sy. die Mercurii ad septimanam.
- c.* Cutbertum Atkinson parochie S. Petri in oriente Oxonie
for carienge of clothes to Abbington on the
Sondays : c. fuit per Sy. die Lune vlt. ; 3*p.* dns.
pron. eum cont. ; res. est pena in px.
- f. 184. c.* Eliz. Turner de Scholdham ad prob. test. mariti sui :
c. fuit per Phillippum Hopwell deputatum Deysie
die Solis vlt. ; exhibuit ; d.
- c.* Ric. Wadop de Fynmere ad prob. test. Thome Wadop
de eadem def. : c. fuit per D. die Lune vlt. ; vnde
f.f. et 3*p.* res. est pena in px.

- c. Joh. Cope de Blackthorne ad prob. test. filii sui def. : *f. 184 cont.*
c. fuit per D. die Veneris vlt. ; sim.
- c. Andream Michell iuniorem de Shipton subter W^{ch}wood :
c. fuit per S. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns.
pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Joanam Bent de Bampton, gravida est : c. fuit die
Martis vlt. per T. ; vnde f.f. ; sim.
- c. Eliz. Wirgge parochie S. Nicholai pro inc. cum [*blank*]
Leiton : c. fuit per Sy. isto die ; vnde f.f. et 3p.
dns. pron. eam cont.¹ et in penam ex. in scriptis ;
em.
- c. Wm. Clercke de Wickham ad prob. test. Thome Clercke *f. 184b.*
de Boddicote def. : c. fuit per W. die Jovis vlt. ;
vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena
in px.
- c. Joh. Arnborowge et Petrum Burnham gardianos de
Elsfield, they want a convenient seat for the
minister : citentur.

In dei nomine amen . . . Ric. Pricket, Eliz. Wirg
propter [*&c.*, *as usual*].

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f. 186.²

- c. Ric. Palmer clericum curatum de Norton Brine [*sic*] :
comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur carnalem copulam cum
quadam Dorothea Maye de Bampton semel tantum
hac postrema estate in domo dicte Dorothee, super
qua confessione dns. iniunxit dicto Richardo Palmer
penitentiam publicam secundum formam schedule
transmittende.

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f. 186b.

[*blank.*]

f. 185.

¹ dns. pron. eam cont. *repeated.*

² This folio consists of half a leaf and was inserted here in error
when the book was arranged and foliated.

f. 185b.

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz., vj^{to} die mensis
Februarii anno dni. 1584 . . .

c. Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld
Gray : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena
in px.

c. Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicatio non
est reducta.

c. Joanam Atwicke de Fynmere : em. ex.

c. Davidum Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Joanam Hickes et
Margaretam Borne de Wendleburie : excom-
municatio non est reducta.

f. 187. c. Annam Seelinge de Sowth Newton : em. ex.

c. Aliciam Loe de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. :
citetur ; c. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. per W. et 3p.
dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.

c. Magistrum Tho. Penne de Chinner et Mariam eius
uxorem : em. decretum v. et m. ; stet.

c. Aliciam Abraham de eadem : res. erat pena contumacie
etc.

c. [blank] Clement for brawlinge in the churche on All
Hallow day : excommunicatio non est emissa.

c. Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : res. est pena
contumacie in h.d. ; in px.

f. 187b. c. Tho. Mercer de Dadington : res. est pena in h.d. ; sim.

c. Ric. Blandie de Cottisford ad prob. test. rectoris de
Cottisford : [no entry].

c. Joh. Bird de Stokelyne frequentat consortium Alicie
Wildgose susp[iciose] : em. ex.

c. Aliciam Bardocke de Westwell : em. ex. ; reducta,
executa provt patet per cert. subscriptum.

- c. Wm. Giles parochie S. Marie Magdalene : em. ex. ; d. *f. 187b cont.*
- c. Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : pena contumacie reseruatur in puerperium.
- c. Eliz. Webb de Witney ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : *f. 188.*
pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Simonem Elstercke de Heyford ad pontem ad prob. test. matris sue def. : em. ex.
- c. Julianam Maior de Charlton : pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d.
- c. Eliz. Parsons alias Tew parochie S. Marie Magdalene quia peperit prolem : habuit ad peragendum penitentiam die Solis ad septimanam vlt. et ad certificandum vlt. diem iuridicum elapsam ; d.
- c. Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c. uxorem Tonnes de Cowley : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.
- c. Kath. Thompson alias Kenche de Wiggenton, grvida facta est per Joh. Gurden de Tadmerton : res. est pena in purificationem.
- c. Isabellam Warde de Boddicote, grvida est : res. est *f. 188b.*
pena in h.d. ; 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. ; denuo res. pena in px.
- c. Tho. Browne de Cassington : em. decretum v. et m. ; executum fuit per T. die Jovis vlt. per afflictionem citationis super valuis ecclesie de Ensham ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, grvida est : em. decretum v. et m. ; executum fuit super valuis ecclesie de Bampton die Mercurii ad septimanam vlt. per T. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

f. 188b
cont.

c. Joanam Winchcombe de eadem : em. decretum v. et m. ; sim. executum est per T. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. excommunicavit.

c. Ric. Griffen de Stratton Audley : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

c. Joanam Turner de Soldren, gravida facta est per Simonem Hoperwell de eadem : em. ex.

c. dictum Simonem : penitentia defertur in solemnizationem matrimonii.

f. 189. c. Aliciam Perkins de Blackthorne : em. ex.

c. Hen. Watkins de Heath et Tho. Eldridge de Islip : em. ex.

c. Jacobum Atwood parochie S. Nicholai : non est examinatus ; d.

c. Wm. Shrimpton de eadem : sim.

c. Wm. Wolriche parochie S. Martini Oxonie : non est examinatus.

c. uxorem Wmi. Dens de Bartlemews def. ad prob. test. dicti def. : pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d. ; in px.

c. Rob. Whitton de Lewknor, impregnavit Julianam Floid de eadem : excommunicatio non est emissa ; em.

f. 189b. c. dictam Julianam Floide : decretum est pro ea v. et m. ; emanet ; em.

c. Joh. Floyd de Crowell : pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d.

c. Tho. Pearman de Harpsden : sim.

c. Agnetem Pearman de eadem : decretum est pro ea v. et m.

- c. Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer de eadem *f.* 189*b*
habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium. *cont.*
- c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test. :
res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Wm. Pearman de Harpsden : sim.
- c. Johanam Simons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. *f.* 190.
mariti def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ;
in px.
- c. Rogerum Woodes de Goaringe pro lenocinio : em. ex.
- c. Editham Osborne de Goaringe, grauida est : em ex.
- c. Eliz. Jorden alias Hix de Burford : excommunicatio
non est emissa ; d.
- c. Stephanum Smith de Wrolwright Magna, for fightinge
in the belfrie detectus est : pena contumacie
reseruatur in h.d. ; habet ad inducendum testes
super veritate allegationis in px. secundis.
- c. Joh. Coles de Kidlington : em. ex. ; deinde comp. et
habuit ad comparendum in diem Veneris vlt.
- c. Wm. Pickeringe de Burford forrevilinge of the minister : *f.* 190*b*.
res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo res. est
pena in px.
- c. Joh. Jourden de eadem ad prob. test. matris sue : res.
est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Franciscam Joanes de Bampton, grauida facta est per
Tho. Stone de eadem : lit. pen. non sunt emisse.
- c. dictum Tho. Stone : examinatus est.
- c. Eliz. Tho[mas] de Cowley ad prob. test. mariti sui
def. : [*no entry*].
- c. Joannam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti :
[*no entry*].

f. 191. c. Joh. Prince de Newnham Courtney pro inc. cum Kymbora King alias Blake de eadem : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.

c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : em. ex.

c. Mariam Marigold de Charlburie, peperit prolem : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; d.

c. Mariam Bull de Tew Parva ad prob. test. matris def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; d.

c. Joannam Sprowson et Margaretam Sprowson ad prob. test. Henrici Sprowson de Heath def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; exhibuit ; d.

c. Martham Joanes de Bricenorton pro inc. cum Ricardo Palmer curato ibidem : em. ex.

f. 191b. c. Magistrum Tho. Butler vicarium de Stanton Harecourt : em. ex.

c. Tho. Paine de Henlie pro inc. cum Agnete Linche de eadem : em. ex. ; comp., iur., et o.a. dicit negat articulum esse verum nec quod vnquam attemptauit eius pudicitiam, fatetur tamen famam ; vnde dns. ad eius petitionem iniunxit ei ad soluendum xx^s in vsum pauperum quam summam dictus Paine presens in iudicio soluit in manibus meis.

c. dictam Linche : sim.

c. Rob. Hiat de Bampton clericum : habet ad purg. se sexta manu vicinorum suorum viz. clericorum in h.d. et em. litere proclamatorie ; dns. continuauit¹ cert. proclamacionis emisse in quindenam.

c. Tho. Buckler de Longcombe : em. decretum v. et m.

c. Dominum Spenser curatum de Burford : sim. ; d.

¹ MS. cot'. This is the clerk's usual abbreviation for *contumacem* but here it obviously means *continuauit*.

- c. Ric. Haines de Shipton subter W^{ch}wood at prob. test. *f.* 192.
 patris sui def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ;
 comp. et exhibuit testamentum et probauit etc.
- c. Humfridum Rockhall de Harpesden : em. ex.
- c. Joh. Flower de eadem : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Wm. Griffen de Stratton Audlie pro inc. cum Maria
 Whitley de eadem et Joana Francklin alias Griffen
 uxore Ricardi Griffen filii sui : c. fuit per D. die
 Solis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et
 in penam ex. in scriptis ; postea comp. et o.a.
 negat prorsus articulum esse verum fatetur tamen
 famam laborasse de incontinentia sua cum dicta
 Joanna Francklyn alias Griffen et non aliter ; vnde
 dns. iniunxit dictum ad purg. se 2 manu vicinorum
 suorum in px.
- c. dictam Mariam Whitley : sim. c. fuit die Solis vlt.
 per dictum D. ; sim. ; excommunicavit ; em.
- c. gardianos de Fritwell, for there churche moundes ar in
 great decaye : perquisiti fuerunt per D. die Martis
 vlt. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur¹ articulum esse
 verum ; habent ad reparandum citra festum Pasche
 px. et ad certificandum citra px. tunc sequentem.
- c. Joannam Busbie de Ledwell ad prob. test. mariti def. : *f.* 192b.
 c. fuit die Martis vlt. per W. ; vnde f.f. et 3p.
 dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Edwardum Hawten et uxorem Wolsten Hawten def.
 de Swaklye ad prob. test. eiusdem def. ; perquisiti
 per W. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; dns. decreuit
 eos citandos v. et m. in px. ; ne emanet ante
 mensem.
- c. Wm. Cooke de Sandford, for kepinge a woman in his
 house who hath had a child in base : c. fuit per
 W. die Veneris vlt. ; comp. Jana Pusie femina,
 iurata.

¹ As often, only one warden appears.

f. 192b
cont.

c. Wm. Lucas de Churchill for kepinge of coopes, etc. : c. fuit per S. die Martis vlt. ; comp. et iur. et o.a. dicit that he knoweth not wheare there challice is become or in whose custodie it remayneth nether doth he know of any other relicques of superticon to remayne in anye man's handes w^{thin} there parishe, and saith further that he receyvid the parcells exhibited and also so mutche as he sould for xvjs of one Henry Medcroste and William Minchen of the said parishe ; vnde dimissus est sine feodo.

c. Joannam Somner de Taynton, peperit prolem : c. fuit per T. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in puerperium.

c. Wm. Harison de Burford, impregnavit dictam Joannam Somner : perquisitus fuit per T. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. ; in px.

f. 193. c. Joh. Joans de Bricenorton, detectus est per gardianos : perquisitus fuit per T. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. in px. ; deinde comp. et o.a. dicit that he did on St Mathewe's daye in the churcheyarde of Bricenorton come to the churchewardens and asked them whearefore they had presented his, this respondentes, wiffe who aunswered that he knew well ynoughe, to whom this respondent did aske them that if they wold stand to their presentment, and they answeringe that they wold, wherevpon he aunswered and said (speakinge to them that were presente) I pray you beare witnes, et aliter respondet ad articulum negativie et sic dimissus est.

c. Elenam Richerdson parochie S. Nicholai : c. fuit per Sy. die Veneris vlt. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur that she was asked in the churche wth Richerd Prikett of St Giles' in the parishe of St Thomas but saith that she was never otherwise contracted vnto him ; vnde dns. eam dimisit.

c. Wm. Mynchen de Churchehill for kepinge of relickes, etc. : comp., iur. et o.a. et examinatus de etate sua dicit se esse aetatis lxj annorum et amplius,

oriundus in dicta parochia de Churchhill et ad *f. 193 cont.*
 articulum dicit that he receyuid one of the said
 relickes exhibited of Mr. Boyer, there late vicar, at
 the tyme of his deathe, and saith further that he
 and one Henrie Metcroste did deliver a crosse of
 brasse to the belfounder to make a saunce bell
 wthall; vnde dns. eum dimisit.

In dei nomine amen . . . Wm. Pickering, Wm.
 Griffin, Mariam Whitley
 propter . . . in hiis scriptis iusticia mediante.
¹ Lecta 6^o Martis per me
 Tho. Glasierum¹.

[*blank.*]

f. 193b.

ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. decimo tertio die *f. 194.*
 mensis Martis anno dni. iuxta
 computacionem etc. 1584 . . .

- c.* Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld
 Gray : res. est pena in h.d.
- c.* Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicacio non
 est reducta ; executi et reducta provt patet per
 cert. subscriptum.
- c.* Ciciliam Lowe de Tew ad prob. test. mariti : em. ex.
- c.* Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : examinatus est ;
 citetur de novo.
- c.* Tho. Mercer de eadem : res. est pena contumacie in
 h.d. ; sim.
- c.* Ric. Blandie de Cottisford ad prob. test. rectoris *f. 194b.*
 ibidem def. : in diem Martis ante Pascha.
- c.* Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena in
 puerperium.

¹ In the hand of Thomas Glasier ; and so with this phrase here-
 after.

- f. 194b.* *c.* Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti :
cont. res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; facta denuo
 trina preconizatione etc. dns. pron. eam cont. et in
 penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida
 est : em. ex.
- c.* Joanam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Wulriche parochie S. Martini Oxonie : non est
 examinatus.
- f. 195.* *c.* Agnetem Fuller de Harpsden : em. ex. ; reducta,
 executata provt patet per cert. subscriptum.
- c.* Tho. Pearman de Harpsden : sim. ; reducta vt supra.
- c.* Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad
 inducendum eandem post puerperium.
- c.* executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test.
 dicti def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est
 pena in px.
- c.* Joanam Simons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti
 def. : sim. ; d.
- c.* Wm. Pickeringe de Burford : em. ex. ; executata provt
 patet per cert. subscriptum ; decimo septimo
 Martii 1584 in domo solite habitacionis Magistri
 Thome Glasier etc. situata infra Collegium Exonie
 comp. dictus Pickeringe et humiliter petiit bene-
 ficiū absolucionis, ad cuius petitionem dns. eum
 a sententia excommunicacionis absoluit et restituit
 congregacioni fidelium et iterum monuit eum ne
 solemnizet matrimonium cum Suzanna Brayne alias
 Gorge antequam exhibeat certificatorium ab archi-
 diacono Midlesex that he was not married before etc.
- f. 195b.* *c.* Franciscam Joans de Bampton, gravida est per Tho.
 Stone de eadem : em. lit. pen.
- c.* dictum Tho. Stone : sim.

- c.* Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnavit Elenam Coxiter *f.* 195*b*
de eadem : stet in duas septimanas. *cont.*
- c.* Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti
def. : res. est pena contumacie in festum Pasche px.
- c.* Annam Carpinter de Churchehill, peperit prolem : em.
lit. pen.
- c.* Margeriam West de Sawford ad prob. test. mariti sui
def. : pena contumacie reservatur in h.d. ; d.
- c.* Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, gravida est *f.* 196.
per Joh. Prince de eadem : lit. pen. non sunt
emisse ; emittantur ; emanaverunt.
- c.* Joh. Prince de Newnham Courtney pro inc. cum
Kymbora Kinge alias Blake de eadem : res. pena
in h.d.
- c.* Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : em. ex.
- c.* Martham Joans de Brice Norton pro inc. cum Ricardo
Palmer curato ibidem : em. ex. ; d.
- c.* Magistrum Tho. Butler vicarium de Stanton Harcorte :
em. ex.
- [*c.*] Agnetem Linche de Henlie pro inc. cum Thoma Paine
de eadem : em. ex.
- c.* Rob. Hyat de Bampton clericum : certificatorium *f.* 196*b*.
proclamacionis continuatur in px.
- c.* Tho. Buckler de Longcombe : em. decretum v. et m. ;
c. personaliter die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns.
pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Joh. Flower de Harpisdan : em. decretum v. et m.
- c.* Wm. Griffen de Stratton Audley pro inc. cum Joanna
Francklyn alias Griffen de eadem : habet ad purg.
se 2^a manu vicinorum suorum viz. vicinorum
fidedignorum in h.d. ; stet in px.

f. 196b
cont.

c. Mariam Whitley de Stratton Audley pro inc. cum Wmo. Griffen : em. ex.

c. Joannam Busbie de Ledwell ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.

f. 197. c. Edwardum Hawten et uxorem Wolsten Hawten de Swackley def. ad prob. test. eiusdem def. : decretum est pro eis v. et m. ; in px. tertiis ; em.

c. Wm. Cooke de Sandford quia tenet Janam Pusie in domo sua : c. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. per W. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. dictam Janam Pusie, peperit prolem : non est examinata.

c. Joanam Somner de Tainton, peperit prolem : res. est pena contumacie in puerperium.

c. Wm. Harrison de Burford, impregnavit dictam Joanam Somner : decretum est pro eo v. et m. in h.d. ; em.

c. Joh. How de Whaitlie ad prob. test. [blank] Hobb de eadem def. : c. fuit die Veneris vlt. per Sy. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.

f. 197b. c. Aliciam Butler de Tadmerton et Joh. Saman de eadem : c. fuerunt per W. die Jovis vlt. ; quo die comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur coniactitacionem et contractum et dicit that there hath bene goodwill betwene her and the said John Saman euer sythence Ester last, and after Whitsontide they plighted theire faith and trothe together vsinge theis wordes or the lyke in effecte viz., I (speakinge to this respondent) doe take the [sic] to my wiffe and doe promise never to marie wth any other, and therevpon this respondent vsed the verie same wordes to him againe, w^{ch} wordes were spoken in the presence of one Elizabeth Standishe and James Whitley, and imediatlie after the faith and trothe was giuen

betwene them came in Mr. Thurston Standishe¹ to *f.* 197b
whome the said Saman did acknowledge the *cont.*
contracte and promesed never to goe from it,
negat intersignia, negat et copulam.

- c.* dictum Joh. Saman de Tadmerton : *c.* fuit die Jovis
vlt. per W. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont.
et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c.* Hen. Medcroste de Churchehill for deleying of reliques :
perquisitus die Martis vlt. per S. ; comp., iur. et
o.a. dicit that there was abowt a vj or [vii ?]
yeares agoe in the custodie of one Wm. Kerrie
three copes or vestmentes, one of velvit and ij of
silke and too crosses, of w^{ch} they tooke one of the
crosses and put it to the belfounders in Oxford to
make there sauncebell w^{thall}, w^{ch} said reliques
have remaynid in the custodie of this respondent
euer synce vndefaced vntill they by chaunce came
to light of late ; vnde dns. iniunxit illi penitentiam
iuxta formam shedule emittende.
- c.* Joh. Oskott de Watlington pro lenocinio prout detectus
est : perquisitus per T. die Solis vlt. ; vnde f.f.
per T. ; v. et m. in px. ; em.
- c.* Anthonium Culverhowse de Henlie, detectus est : *f.* 198.
perquisitus per M. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; dns.
decreuit eum citandum v. et m. in px. ; em.
- c.* Aliciam² uxorem diciti Anthonii : *c.* fuit die Jovis vlt.
per eundem M. ; vnde f.f. etc. et 3*p.* dns. pron.
eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Jeronimum Bennett de eadem, detectus est : perquisitus
per M. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. ; em.
- c.* Jacobum Browne de Sholdham : *c.* per D. die Veneris
vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ; res.
pena in px.

¹ Rector of Tadmerton.

² alias Bennett *written above*.

f. 198 cont. c. Janam Vynes de Piddington generosam : c. fuit die Solis vlt. per D. ; sim. ; res. est pena in quindenam.

In dei nomine amen . . . Aliciam Chambers, Tho. Buckner, Wm. Cooke, Joh. Saman, Alisiam Culverhouse alias Bennett, propter . . . in hiis scriptis iusticia mediante.

Lecta 13^o Martis per me

Tho. Glasierum.

f. 198b. [*blank.*]

f. 199. ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. vicesimo die mensis Martii anno dni. iuxta computacionem etc. 1584 . . .

c. Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie Rotherfeld Gray : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

c. Ciciliam Low de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : em. ex.

c. Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : citetur de novo ; c. personaliter die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; ne extrahatur.

c. Tho. Merser de eadem : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; sim. ; excommunicavit ; ne extrahatur.

c. Ric. Blandie de Cottisford ad prob. test. rectoris ibidem : continuatur in diem Martis ante festum Pasche.

f. 199b. c. Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena in puerperium.

c. Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti : em. ex. ; comp., exhibuit inventarium bonorum mariti def.

- c. Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida *f. 199b*
est : em. ex. *cont.*
- c. Joanam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.
- c. Katherinam London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet
ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.
- c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test.
dicti def. ; res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Franciscam Joans de Bampton, gravida est per Tho. *f. 200.*
Stone de eadam : em. lit. pen. ; peregīt peniten-
tiam iuxta tenorem schedule emisit prout patet
per cert. subscriptum.
- c. dictum Tho. Stone : sim. actum est vt in causa px.
precedenti.
- c. Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnauit Elenam Coxiter
de eadem : stet in px.
- c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti
def. : res. est pena in festum Pasche px.
- c. Annam Carpinder de Churchehill peperit prolem : em.
lit. pen. ; peracta est¹ penitentia prout patet per
cert. domini Ricardi Baguley vicarii ibidem.
- c. Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, gravida facta
est per Joh. Prince de eadem : em. lit. pen.
- c. Joh. Prince de Newnham Courtney pro inc. cum *f. 200b.*
Kimbora Kinge alias Blake de eadem : res. est
pena in h.d.
- c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : em. ex. ; stet
in diem Jovis px. ante festum Pasche.
- c. Agnetem Linche de Henlie pro inc. cum Tho. Paine de
eadem : em. ex.

¹ *MS.* sunt.

- f. 200b cont.* *c.* Rob. Hiat de Bampton clericum : cert. proclamacionis continuatur in h.d. ; comp. dictus Hiat et dns. ad petitionem dicti Hiat continuavit cert. ex gratia in px.
- c.* Tho. Buckner de Longcombe : em. ex. ; comp. et petiit absolucionem a sententia excommunicacionis ; vnde dns. eum a dicta sententia absoluit et restituit etc.
- c.* Joh. Flower de Harpsden : em. decretum v. et m.
- f. 201.* *c.* Wm. Griffen de Stratton Audley pro inc. cum Joanna Francklyn alias Griffen de eadem : habet ad purg. se 2^a manu vicinorum suorum in h.d. ; comp. ; dns. monuit eum ad comparendum in px. ad recipiendum penitentiam pro eo quod defecit in purgacionem et non induxit compurgatores iuxta decretum iudicis etc.
- c.* Mariam Whitley de eadem pro inc. cum dicto Wmo. : em. ex. ; comp., iur. et o.a. negat prorsus articulum esse verum.
- c.* Joannam Busbie de Ledwell ad prob. test. mariti def. ; res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Edwardum Hawten executorem testamenti Wolstini Hawten def. ad prob. eius test. : em. decretum v. et m.
- c.* Wm. Cooke de Sandford quia tenet Janam Pusie in domo sua : em. ex. ; xix^{no} Martii 1584 in domo solite habitacionis Magistri Thome Glasier legum doctoris comp., iur. et o.a. respondet et dicit that abowt Candelmas last one Robert Hiat curate of Bampton did bringe vnto this respondentes howse the articulate Jane Pusie beinge great wth child and promised that this respondent shold haue x^s for a moneth, and that they wold discharge him this respondent against the courte, and saith further that he kepith the child still and that he shold haue of the said Mr Hiat xij^d a weeke for kepeing the said child.

- c. dictam Janam Pusie, peperit prolem : non est *f. 201 cont.*
examinata.
- c. Joanam Somner de Tainton, peperit prolem : res. est *f. 201b.*
pena contumacie in puerperium.
- c. Wm. Harrison de Burford quia impregnavit dictam
Joanam : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Joh. How de Whatlie ad prob. test. [*blank*] Hobb de
eadem def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ;
in px.
- c. Aliciam Butler de Tadmerton : examinata est.
- c. Joh. Saman de eadem : excommunicatio non est
emissa ; emittatur ; em.
- c. Joh. Oskott de Watlington pro lenocinio prout detectus
est : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Anthonium Culverhowse de Henlie, detectus est : em. *f. 202.*
decretum v. et m.
- c. Aliciam Culverhowse alias Bennett uxorem dicti
Anthonii : em. ex.
- c. Jeronimum Bennett, detectus est : em. decretum v.
et m.
- c. Jacobum Browne de Sholdham : res. est pena con-
tumacie in h.d. ; comp., iur. ad a.o. fatetur that
he hathe dwelte in Soulderne 54 yeares, fatetur
that he knewe certeyne churche goodes in Mrs [*sic*]
Stuthberie's wiffes handes viz. candlestickes, a
bason, a crucifixe ethe^r in her handes or Elizabeth
Gledwelles handes and in y^e same women's handes
certeyne handbelles and banner clothes & crosse
clothes and y^e crosse and crucifixe &c. in Jhon
Dodwell's handes, a palme clothe & one chalice
w^{ch} Mr Stuttherie hathe in his hande for xl^s, but
y^e moneye he payed not yet as he thincketh all
the vestmentes be in goodwiffe Gledwelles handes.

f.202 cont. c. Magistrum Joh. Wright de Stanton Harcourt, detectus est : c. fuit die Mercurii vlt. per T. ; monuit in horam primam ; comp., iur. ad b.d. fatetur that at Christmas laste paste this respondent being minister of Southlye and coming to minister the communion and opening the paper wheare the communion breade was looked for, he fownde noe breade theare but a bowe string in the place, but doeth not thincke yt was doene of scorne or derision ; ad 5^{um} negat articulum esse verum.

f. 202b. c. Wm. Fisher de Stanton Harecourt detecti sunt¹ : c. fuerunt¹ per dictum T. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp. Fisser, iur., ad b.d. ad 3^{um} fatetur that he hathe beane churchman these yeare and quarter or moare and hathe made no accompte, but hathe offered himselfe to accompte & y^e parishe woulde not ; monitus est ad exhibendum computum parochianis citra visitacionem et ad certificandum in visitacione.

c. Tho. Linaker de eadem, detectus est : c. fuit die Mercurii vlt. per T. ; caecus.

c. Tho. Wastie et Wm. Waklet gardianos de Southlie, detecti sunt : perquisiti fuerunt die Jovis vlt. per T. ; comp., iur. ; Waste ad 8^{um} articulum negat that he doeth deteyne enie house in Southlye from y^e vicare for he knoweth not whether he hathe enie or none theare, ad 4^{um} negat that he was prievie to the putting of a bowe string in the place wheare the communion breade shoulde haue beane, for he provided the wine and Waklet the bread ; comp. Waklet, iur., et ad 8 articulum dicit that he doth not know² any howse t[he] v[ic]are hath in Sowthlie ; ad 4 articulum dicit that he did provide bred for the communion and deliuered the same in a paper to the clercke of the parishe and saith further that when the minister tooke the paper in his hande meaninge to take the bred to

¹ *sic* : the name of the other churchwarden is omitted.

² From here the deposition is continued at the bottom of *f.* 203, opposite.

minister the sacrament founde nothinge but a *f. 202b*
bowstringe ; vnde dns. monuit eum ad comparen- *cont.*
dum in px. ad audiendum voluntatem suam.

c. Joh. Townesend alias Shepherd de Yarnton pro inc.
cum Francisca [*blank*] nuper famula vicarii de
Yarnton : c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per T. ; vnde f.f.
et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px. post
Pascha.

c. dictam Franciscam : perquisita fuit per dictum T. ;
stet in dictam curiam post Pascha.

c. Thurstianum Potter de Tadmerton : c. fuit die Jovis
vlt. per W. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur coniacti-
tacionem negat contractum negatque intersignia
et sic d.

c. Editham Hearne de eadem : c. fuit per W. die Mercurii *f. 203.*
vlt. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur coniactitacionem
matrimonii and that Thurstian Potter did request
her, this respondentes, goodwill abowte a twelue
moneth agoe, vnto whome she aunswered that if
he could gett her ffrendes goodwill he shold here
more of her etc. ; negat intersignia ; vnde dns.
eam dimisit.

c. Edmundum Hierne de Tew Michaelis ad prob. test.
Johanne Hyerne de eadem def. : c. fuit per W. die
Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ;
res. pena in px.

c. [*blank*] Gibberd de Enston ad prob. test. mariti def. :
perquisita fuit die Solis vlt. per W. ; vnde f.f. ;
v. et m.

c. Annam Selinge de Sowthe Newton : restat excom-
municata eo quod non peregit penitenciam ; em.
lit. pen.

In dei nomine amen nos Thomas Glasier legum *f. 203b.*
doctor archidiaconatus Oxonie officialis legitime

f. 203b
cont.

constitutus rite et legitime procedentes quosdam
[no names follow];
propter [&c. *as usual*].¹

- f. 204. c. Cuthbertum Atkinson parochie S. Petri in oriente Oxonie, for carienge of clothes to Abington on the Sondays : res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Ric. Wadop de Finmeare ad prob. test. Thome Wadop def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Joh. Cope de Blackthorn ad prob. test. filii sui def. : sim. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Andream Michell iuniorem de Shipton subter W^{ch}wood ; sim. ; 3p., excommunicavit ; em.
- c. Joanam Bent de Bampton, gravida est : sim. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Eliz. Wirgg parochie S. Nicholai pro inc. cum Jacobo Leiton ; em. ex.
- c. Wm. Clercke de Wickham ad prob. test. Thome Clercke de Boddicote def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- f. 204b. c. Joh. Arnboroghe et Petrum Burnham gardianos de Elsfeld, the [*sic*] want a convenient seate for there minister : citentur ; comp. Arnboroughe, iur., o.a. respondet articulum esse verum ; vnde dns. iniunxit ei ad componendum sedilem pro curato prope cancellum et ostium ex parte boriali ecclesie citra mensem ; deinde comp. 17 Martii in registro et certificavit dictum ostium esse reparatum ; vnde dns. eum dimisit.
- c. Wm. Crasse de Adderburie pro inc. cum Jana Gould de eadem : perquisitus fuit per W. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. per W. ; v. et m. in px. ; em.
- c. dictam Janam Gould : sim. ; em.

¹ The schedule is, of course, unsigned, for no names are entered.

- c. Tho. Lynsey parochie de Bampton quia impregnavit *f. 204b*
 Elenam Coxeter : c. fuit per T. die Veneris viz. *cont.*
 xv^{to} die mensis Januarii 1584 ad comparandum
 erga hos diem et locum ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns.
 pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti
 def. : c. fuit per T. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.*
 dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Aliciam Buckingham alias Fesie de Witney, gravida *f. 205.*
 facta est per Milonem Fesie de eadem : c. fuit die
 Jovis vlt. per T. ; comp. Walterus Joanes
 excusator.
- c. dictum Milonem : sim.
- c. Wm. Carter de Bampton for sufferinge of a man and
 woman in his howse vnmarried : c. fuit per T. die
 Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* ; comp., iur., o.a.
 dicit that abowt St. Thomas daye last before
 Christmas there came a strange man and a woman
 to his howse as man and wiffe, and being further
 examined by Mr Dotwyn¹ confessed that the said
 woman was none of his wiffe, wherevpon this
 respondent discharged them owt of his howse ; vnde
 dns. iniunxit dicto ad soluendum xij^d ad usum
 pauperum ecclesie parochialis de Bampton.
- c. Annam Hall de Churchehill, peperit prolem : c. fuit per
 S. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eam
 cont. ; res. pena in puerperium.
- c. Tho. Whitinge de Shipton subter W^{ch}wood ad prob. test.
 filii sui : c. fuit per S. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et
 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, gravida est
 per Joh. Prince : c. fuit per Sy. die Mercurii vlt. ;
 comp., iur., o.a. respondet that she is wth child and
 that one John Prince of Newnham is ffather to her
 child and no other man but he, and saith further

¹ Vicar of Bampton I.

f. 205 cont.

that the first tyme that euer he had to doe wth her was abowt the latter end of meede harvest last in her maister's stable, and so divers and sundrie tymes synce ; vnde dns. iniunxit ei ad peragendum penitentiam duobus diebus secundum formam shedule mittende, and wthin this moneth or vj weekes, once at the signe of the Crowne and once in Harris his howse, the vintener.

f. 205b. c. Tho. Leaver de Kingston : perquisitus fuit per M. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. ; em.

c. Rob. Oviett de Watlington pro inc. sua cum Sibilla Emerie de eadem : c. fuit per M. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. dictam Sibillam Emerie : sim. ; comp., iur., o.a. fatetur that Robert Oviet abowt Michaelmas last had carnall knowledge of her boddie in her owen house and synce that he hath knowen her dyvers other tymes ; vnde dns. monuit eam ad comparendum cum vocetur de novo ; cum monicione etc.

c. Simonem Emerie de Watlington pro lenocinio : sim. ; comp., iur. ; d.

In dei nomine amen . . . Tho. Browne, Helenam Coxeter, Joanam Winchcombe, Andrean Michell, Tho. Linseye, Rob. Oviet,
propter [*&c. as usual*].

f. 206. [blank.]

f. 206b. ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. xiiij^o die mensis Februarii
anno dni . . . 1584 . . .¹

c. Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfild Gray : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

c. Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicatio non est reducta.

¹ No name of notary included.

c. Joannam Atwicke de Fynmere : em. ex. ; reducta, *f. 206b*
executa provt patet per cert. subscriptum. *cont.*

c. Davidum Aprice, Aliciam Aprice, Johanam Hickes et
Margaretam Borne de Wendleburie : excom-
municacio non est reducta ; reducta et exhibita
et executa provt patet per cert. subscriptum.

Mr. Stoykes¹ *f. 207.*
Wyllyam Lovllbecke
Harye Toollderbye
Ric. Potter
Thomas Coopperworth
John Wyllobye
Nyccolas Becke

[*blank.*] *f. 207b.*

c. Annam Sellinge de Sowth Newton : em. ex. *f. 208.*

c. Ciciliam Loe de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : res.
est pena in h.d. ; denuo reservatur pena in px.

c. Aliciam Abraham de Chinner : res. est pena contumacie
etc.

c. [*blank*] Clement de Combe for braulinge in the church
one All Hallow day : excommunicatio non em.

c. Edmundum Manninge de Daddington : res. est pena
contumacie in h.d. ; in px.

c. Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.

c. Ric. Blandie de Cotisford ad prob. test. rectoris de *f. 208b.*
Cotisford : [*no entry*].

c. Joh. Bird de Stoklyne frequentat consortium Margarete
Wildgose suspiciose : em. ex. ; stet.

c. Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena contumacie
in puerperium.

¹These names are written on a small piece of paper affixed to the page. They are probably supporters of a presentment.

- f. 208b cont.* *c.* Eliz. Web de Witney ad prob. test. mariti sui def. ; pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d. ; in px. reseruatur pena ; d. est quia nihil habuit ad administrandum ex relatione Richardi Hixe et aliorum fidedignorum de Witney.
- c.* Simonem Elstercke de Hayford ad prob. test. matris : em. ex. ; d.
- c.* Julianam Maior de Charlton : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; stet.
- f. 209.* *c.* Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* uxorem Jones de Cowley : res. est pena contumacie etc. ; exhibitum¹ et d.
- c.* Katherinam Thomson alias Kench de Wiggington, grvida facta est per Joh. Gurden de Tadmerton : res. est pena in puerperium ; in px.
- c.* Isabellam Ward de Boddicott, grauida est per Alexandrum West : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo reservatur in px. ; in postmeridiem ; dns. dimisit causam eo quod dicta Isabella detecta est sine causa vt apparet per confessionem Alexandri West ; d.
- c.* Tho. Browne de Cassington : em. ex.²
- c.* Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, grauida est : em. ex.
- c.* Joannam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.
- f. 209b.* *c.* Ric. Griffen de Stratton Audley : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; d.
- c.* Joanam Turner de Soldren, est grvida facta per Simonem Hopperwell de eadem : em. ex. ; comp. ; in postmeridiem ; d.

¹ i.e., testamentum.

² The scribe first struck through "emanavit excommunicatio," then wrote "stet" above it.

- c.* dictum Simonem : penitencia differtur in solemnizationem matrimonii ; d. *f. 209b cont.*
- c.* Aliciam Perkins de Blackthorne : em. ex. ; execututa et reducta provt patet per cert. subscriptum.
- c.* Hen. Watkins de Heath for quaytinge in service tyme on Sonndays wth sheppherdes, excusing himself he goeth to another towne to service : em. ex. ; reducta est excommunicatio contra Watkins cum certificatorio in dorso.
- c.* Tho. Eldriche de Islipp : em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Shrimpton parochie S. Nicholai : non est examinatus.
- c.* Wm. Wolriche parochie S. Martin : non est examinatus.
- c.* uxorem Wmi. Dens de Bartlemew's ad prob. test. dicti *f. 210.*
Wmi. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; d.
- c.* Rob. Whitton de Lewknor, impregnavit Julianam Floyde de eadem : em. ex. ; reducta et execututa provt patet per iuramentum apparitoris.
- c.* dictam Julianam Floyde : em. decretum v. et m.
- c.* Joh. Floyde de Crowell : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.
- c.* Agnetem Fuller de Harpsden : decretum est pro ea v. et m. ; executum per affixionem citacionis super valvis ecclesie parochie de Harpesden provt patet per iuramentum apparitoris ; vnde facta [fide et]¹ 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Tho. Pearman de eadem : pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d. ; sim. ; excommunicavit ; em.
- c.* Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.

¹ These words were omitted by the clerk, probably through haste.

f. 210b. c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. dictum test.: res. est pena in h.d.; denuo reseruatur.

c. Wm. Pearman de Harpsden : sim.

c. Joanam Simons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.

c. Rogerum Woodes de Goaringe pro lenocinio Edithe Eve alias Osborne : em. ex. ; reducta est excommunicatio cum certificatorio in dorso ; duodecimo die Martii anno domini 1584 comp. et o.a. dicit that there is one Edith Eve alias Osborne the wiffe of John Osborne of London, as he hath, the said John Osborne doth say, abydinge and brought to bed at this respondentes howse, and there hath contynued abowte an viij weekes, and saith that he receyvid hir into his howse because his wiffe had noursed one of the said Edithes children before, and he saith furthur that whensoever he traveleth to the said John Osborne¹ he is allowed xij^d a daye for his paines ; habet ad probandum eius responsum per cert. citra 3 septimanas px.

c. Editham Osborne de Goaringe, grauida est : em. ex. ; sim. reducta est excommunicatio die predicto viz. xij^o Martii 1584 ; comp. Edwardus Buckley et suscepit [*sic*] in se ad introducendum dictam Editham post puerperium.

c. Stephanum Smith de Wolright Magna for fightinge in the belfrie : habet ad inducendum testes super veritatem allegacionis in px. ; d.

c. Wm. Pickeringe de Burford for revilinge of ther minister : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo reservatur pena in px. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. negat in vim iuramenti prestiti that he reviled the minister in enie suche sorte or tearmes as are sett downe in the bill of detecte, but toulde him that he vsed not this respondent well in stayering of the

¹ From here the deposition is continued in the margin under the entry *Officium domini*, etc.

banes betwene this respondent and Suzane Brayne *f. 210b*
 alias George ; dns. inhibuit ei ne solemnizet *cont.*
 matrimonium cum dicta Suzana antequam exhibeat
 cert. whether he wearre not contracted to another
 in London or not.

- c. Joh. Jourden de Burford ad prob. test. matris sue : f. 211.*
 res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Franciscam Joanes de Bampton, grauida facta est per*
Tho. Stone de eadem : peregit penitenciam in foro
de Witney die Jovis vlt. ex relacione Turvile.
- c. dictum Tho. Stone : sim. peregit penitenciam penitenter.*
- c. Eliz. Thomas de Cowley ad prob. test. mariti sui def. :*
exhibitum et d.
- c. Johannam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test.*
mariti def. : c. die Veneris vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p.
dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Cuthbertum Atkinson parochie S. Petri in oriente for*
carienge of clothes on the saboth daye : res. est
pena in h.d. ; citentur gardiani in px. et dictus
Cuthbertus.
- c. Ric. Wadop de Fynmere ad prob. test. Thome Wadop*
def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Joh. Cope de Blackthorne ad prob. test. filii sui def. : f. 211b.*
res. est pena in h.d. ; citetur executor in testamento
nominatus.
- c. Andream Michel iuniorem de Shipton subter Whiche-*
woode : em. ex.
- c. Joanam Bent de Bampton, gravida est : res. est pena*
in h.d. ; in px. diem Veneris.
- c. Eliz. Wyrgge parochie S. Nicholai pro inc. cum Jacobo*
Leyton : em. ex.

f. 211b
cont.

- c. Wm. Clercke de Wickham ad prob. test. Thome Clercke de Boddicote : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Wm. Crasse de Adderburie pro inc. cum Jana Gold de eadem : em. decretum v. et m., comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur carnalem copulam cum quadam Jana Crosse [*sic*] de Adderburie in domo Magistri Edolphe circiter festum Natiuitatis vlt. and sayeth further that the sayde Jane is wiffe to this respondent before God ; dns. super confessione sua iniunxit ei penitentiam publicam duorum dierum secundum formam schedule transmittende ;¹ habet ad solemnizandum matrimonium citra px. post Pascha.
- c. dictam Janam Gold : sim. ; executum die Jovis vlt. personaliter ; vnde f.f. per W. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. ; reservatur pena in px.
- f. 212. c. Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnauit Elenam Coxeter : em. ex.
- c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Aliciam Buckingham alias Feisie de Witney, grauida facta est per Milonem Feisie de eadem : d.
- c. dictum Milonem : sim. ; d.
- c. Annam Hall de Churchehill, peperit prolem : res. est pena contumacie in puerperium.
- c. Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, grauida est per Joh. Prince : lit. pen. non sunt emisse.
- c. Tho. Whitinge de Shipton subter Whichewoode ad prob. test. filii sui def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.

¹ From here the deposition is continued in the margin under the entry *Officium domini*, etc.

- c. Tho. Leaver de Kingston for saying halfe the children *f. 212b.*
theare weare bastardes : em. decretum v. et m. ;
comp., iur. negat articulum obiectum viz. that
ever^r he spake these or the like wordes, that halfe
the children of Kingstone be bastardes ; habet ad
comparendum in px. ad videndum famam probari.
- c. Rob. Oviet de Watlington pro inc. sua cum Sibilla
Emerie de eadem : em. ex. ; executi provt patet
per iuramentum apparitoris die Solis vlt. ; comp.,
iur., ad a.o. negat in vim iuramenti prestiti
carnalem copulam cum quadam Sibilla Emerie
vel quod attemptavit eius pudicitiam negat et
famam ; dns. absoluit eum a sententia excom-
municacionis alias in eum lata et sic d.
- c. Rogerum Fyllys de Hollowaye pro inc. prout patet per
billam detectionis : c. fuit per Sy. die Veneris
vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in
penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c. Winborow Blake de Newnham Courtenay pro inc. cum
Johanne Prince de eadem : c. fuit per Sy. die
Martis vlt. ; comp. ; monita est ad comparendum
in px. et sic de die in diem.
- c. dictum Joh. Prince : c. hodierno die per Sy. ; vnde
f.f. per Sy. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena
in px.
- c. Agnetem Frenche parochie S. Petri in balliuo pro inc.
cum dicto Prince : c. fuit die Martis vlt. per Sy. ;
vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam
excommunicavit ; em.
- c. Martinum seruientem Magistri Wilmot de Culham pro *f. 213.*
eo quod impregnavit mulierem in comitatu Berkes :
c. fuit die Martis vlt. per Sy.
- c. Wm. Prickett et Jaspar Welhed gardianos de Wulver-
cott, there churcheyarde mounds ar decayed :
perquisiti fuerunt per Sy. ; comp., iur. ; ad
fideliter exequendum officium etc. ; d.

f. 213 cont. c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : c. fuit per S. die Lune vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.

c. Joh. Sessions et Ric. Lucas gardianos de Churchehill : Joh. Sessions c. fuit per S. die Martis vlt. et alter gardianus perquisitus fuit per eundem S. die predicto ; comp., iur. ; d.

c. Dominum Ric. Bagley vicarium de Churchehill : c. fuit per S. die Martis vlt. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. fatetur that he doeth sumetymes in divine service vse his surples and weare yt and sumetymes vseth yt not, ad reliquum articulum obiectum fatetur that he hathe served in the parishe of Saresden the cure togeather and Churchehill cure bye the space of ij yeares ; monitus est ne postea alicubi inserviat nisi in propria parochia et vt vtatur superpelliceo in divinis celebrandis etc.

c. Mariam Marigold de Charlburie, peperit prolem : perquisita fuit per S. die Solis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et m. ; em.

f. 213b. c. Margaretam West de Sawford ad prob. test. mariti def. : c. fuit per S. die Martis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. ; res. pena in px.

c. Mariam Bull de Tew Parva ad prob. test. matris def. : c. fuit per W. die Lune vlt. ; sim.

c. Samsonum Flinte de Sandford pro inc. cum Anna Blanch de Hoknorton : perquisitus per W. die Veneris vlt ; comp., iur., ad a.o. negat prorsus carnalem copulam cum quadam Anna Blanch vel quod vnquam attemptavit eius pudicitiam, negat et famam negat sponsalia seu contractum per verba de presenti, fatetur that he gave her a girde and a payre of gloves in token of goodwill but not vpon enie promes of mariage ; monitus ne contrahat cum alia muliere antequam constet super isto contractu.

c. dictam Annam : c. fuit per W. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; reservatur pena in px.

- c. Elizam Quaterman alias Leisbie de Chalgrove : *f. 213b*
perquisita per T. die Lune vlt.; v. et m. in *cont.*
px.; em.
- c. Joh. Coxe et [blank] gardianos de Bricenorton : Joh.
Cox c. fuit per T. die Jovis vlt. et alter gardianus
perquisitus fuit per eundem T. die predicto ; comp.,
iur., exhibuerunt billam detectionis et sic d.
- c. Joannam Sprowson et Margaretam Sprowson executores *f. 214.*
testamenti Henrie Sprowson de Heath def. :
c. fuerunt per D. isto die ad septimanam vlt. ;
reservatur pena in px.
- c. Tho. Leaver de Kingston : c. per M. die Martis vlt.

In dei nomine amen . . . Agnetem Fuller, Tho.
Pearman de Harpesden, Agnetem Frenche,
Elizabetham Hosier,
propter [&c. *as usual*].

18^o die mensis Februarii A^o 1584 in inferiori *f. 214b.*
camera infra aedes venerabilis viri Thome Glasier
legum doctoris etc. infra collegium Exonie in
presentia mei Milonis Leighe notarii publici.

- c. Ric. Palmer clericum curatum de Brisenorton : comp.,
iur., ad b.d. negat in vim iuramenti prestiti
carnalem copulam cum Martha Joanes vel quod
attemptavit vnquam illius pudicitiam, fatetur
tamen that on twelfe daye laste the sayde Martha
was in his house and theare continued wth other
cumpanie all the tyme of morning prayer, fatetur
famam w^{ch} as he sayeth he neve^r vnderstoode
before the churchemen presented yt, w^{ch} was on
Saturdaye laste the 13th of this moneth.
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- f.* 215. ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. vicesimo die mensis
Februarii . . . 1584.¹
- c.* Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld
Gray : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo
res. est pena in px.
- c.* Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicatio non
est reducta.
- c.* Annam Sellinge de Sowth Newton : em. ex.
- c.* Ciciliam Lowe de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. :
res. est pena in h.d. ; 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont. et
in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Aliciam Abraham de Chinner : res. est pena con-
tumacie, etc.
- f.* 215*b.* *c.* Clement de Combe for brawlinge in the churche on All
Hallow day : excommunicacio non est emissa ; em.
- c.* Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : res. est pena
contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.
- c.* Ric. Blandie de Cotisford ad prob. test. rectoris de
Cotisford : [*no entry.*]
- c.* Joh. Bird deStoklyne : stet.
- c.* Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena in puer-
perium.
- c.* Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti :
res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- f.* 216. *c.* Tho. Browne de Cassington : em. ex.
- c.* Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, grauida
est : em. ex.

¹ No name of notary included.

- c.* Joannam Winchecombe de eadem : sim. *f.* 216 *cont.*
- c.* Tho. Eldriche de Islip : em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Shrimpton parochie S. Nicholai : non est examinatus.
- c.* Wm. Wolriche parochie S. Martini : non est examinatus.
- c.* Agnetem Fuller de Harpsden : em. ex.
- c.* Tho. Pearman de Harpsden : em. ex. *f.* 216*b.*
- c.* Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.
- c.* executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. eius testamentum : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Wm. Pearman de Harpsden : sim. ; d.
- c.* Joanam Symons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo.
- c.* Wm. Pickeringe de Burford : habet ad exhibendum certificatorium in h.d. ab archidiacono Londoniensi ; continuatum est cert. in px.
- c.* Joh. Jorden de Burford ad prob. test. matris : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.
- c.* Franciscam Joans de Bampton, grauida facta est per Tho. Stone de eadem : emittatur penitentia in ecclesiam de Bampton ; em. *f.* 217.
- c.* dictum Tho. Stone : sim. ; em.
- c.* Joanam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Cuthbertum Atkinson parochie S. Petri in oriente for carienge of clothes on the saboth day : decretum est dictum Cuthbertum de novo citandum fore in h.d. et gardianos ibidem ; comp. dictus Cuthbertus

f. 217 cont.

necnon comparuerunt Wm. Tittimus et Randallus Potter gardiani ibidem anno 1583 et finaliter¹ ad festum Michaelis 1584 et Thomas Copperthorp gardianus ibidem modernus et deposuerunt in vim iuramenti sui detectum esse verum et dictum Cuthbertum peiurasse se eo quod iureiurando per dominum oneratum negavit articulum esse verum ; vnde dns. monuit eum ad comparendum in px. ad recipiendum in px.

c. Ric. Wadop de Fynmere ad prob. test. Thome Wadope def. : res. est pena contumacie ; 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Joh. Cope de Blackthorne ad prob. test. filii sui def. : decretum est executorem de novo citandum fore etc. ; citetur Cope in px.

f. 217b. c. Andream Michell iuniorem de Shipton subter W^{ch}wood pro feodo apparitoris : em. ex. ; comp., iur., absolutus et d.

c. Joanam Bent parrochie S. Aldasti Oxonie : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo.

c. Eliz. Wirgg parrochie S. Nicholai pro inc. cum Jacobo Leiton : em. ex. ; reducta, executi provt patet per cert. subscriptum.

c. Wm. Clercke de Wickham ad prob. test. Thome Clercke de Boddicote : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo.

c. Wm. Lynseye de Bampton, impregnauit Elenam Coxiter : em. ex. ; stet in quindenam.

c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo.

f. 218. c. Annam Carpinter de Churchyll, peperit prolem : res. est pena in puerperium ; comp., iur. et o.a. dicit articulum esse verum and saith that one William Clyvelie of Longborough is father of her child and that no other man had to doe wth her but he, and

¹ MS. finiter.

saith that he had to doe wth her in her maister his *f. 218 cont.*
 howse at Longborow; vnde dns. iniunxit ei
 penitentiam peragendam duobus diebus iuxta
 formam shedule emittende.

- c. Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, gravida est
 per Joh. Prince : lit. pen. non sunt emisse.
- c. Tho. Whitinge de Shipton subter Wehwood ad prob.
 test. filii sui : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ;
 in px.
- c. Tho. Leaver de Kingston : habet ad comparendum in
 h.d. ad videndum famam contra eum probari ;
 comp. Wm. Crooke, Ric. Belson et Rob. Cornishe,
 iur. de fideliter respondendo etc. ; ad a.o. Wm.
 Crooke respondet y^t Thomas Leaver^r did saye y^t
 he hearde a preacher at Powles Crosse saye y^t
 theare weare a number of bastardes in one diocese,
 & yf punishment weare not had theare would be
 moore then halfe bastardes in a parishe ; Belson,
 iur., deponit that he hearde Leave^r saye y^t he
 heard a preche^r saye theare was a great numb^r of
 bastardes borne in one diocese and y^t almoste
 halfe a parishe weare bastardes, whether he ment
 the parishe of Kingston or not he canne not
 depose ; Cornishe, iur., deposuit that he heard
 Thomas Leaver saye that the moaste parte of the
 parishe weare bastardes, but what parishe he ment
 he knoweth not ; dictus Leaver dimissus est cum
 monicione.
- c. Rogerum Fyllice de Holloway, detectus est per
 gardianos : em. ex.
- c. Kimboram King alias Blacke de Newnham Courtney,
 detecta est ; habet ad comparendum in h.d. ;
 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam excom-
 municavit ; em.
- c. Joh. Prince de Newnham pro inc. cum diuersis *f. 218b.*
 mulieribus prout patet per b.d. : res. est pena
 contumacie in h.d. ; denuo res. est pena in px.

f. 218b
cont.

- c. Agnetem Frenche parochie S. Petri in balliuo, detecta est etc. : em. ex. ; comp., iur. et o.a. negat carnalem copulam et fatetur that John Prince settinge in a chaire in her maister his howse, her master and dame beinge at church, the said Prince caught her by her coate and in the meane tyme Prince his wiffe came into the howse and did strike this respondent vpon the face etc. ; deinde dns. eam absoluit et restituit et sic dimissa est sine feodo.
- c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : excommunicatio non est emissa ; em.
- c. Mariam Marigold de Charlburie, peperit prolem ; em. decretum v. et m. ; executum provt patet per iuramentum apparitoris, facta deinde trina preconizacione res. est pena in px.
- c. Margaretam West de Sawford ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Mariam Bull de Tew Parva ad prob. test. matris def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- f. 219. c. Annam Blanche de Hoknorton pro inc. sua cum Samsono Flint de Sandford : res. est pena in h.d.
- c. Eliz. Quaterman alias Leisbie de Charlgrove : em. decretum v. et m. ; executum super ostio solite habitacionis dicte Elizabethe ; vnde f.f. et 3p. excommunicavit ; em.
- c. Joanam Sprowson, Margaretam Sprowson executrices testamenti Henrici Sprowson de Heath def. : res. est pena in px. ; in px.
- c. Tho. Leaver de Kingston : [no entry].
- c. Martham Joanes uxorem Johannis Joanes de Brice-norton pro inc. cum Ricardo Palmer curato ibidem : c. fuit die Jovis vlt. per T. ; stet ; res. est pena in px.

- c. magistros [blank] Wright¹ et [blank] Butlett vicarium f. 219 cont.
 presentem ecclesie,² detecti sunt for . . . : Mr
 Wright c. fuit per T. die Veneris vlt. per T. [sic]
 et Mr Butlet perquisitus fuit per eundem T. die
 predicto ; res. est pena in px. pro Wright et v. et
 m. pro Butlet ; em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Wm. Townsende de Stanlacke pro inc. cum Alicia f. 219b.
 Bishop de eadem : c. fuit per T. die Veneris vlt. ;
 comp., iur. et d.
- c. Joh. Busbie de Bloxham quia impregnavit quandam
 mulierem nuper de eadem : c. fuit per W. die
 Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. excommunicavit ; em.
- c. Tho. Payne de Henlie pro inc. cum Agneta Linche de
 eadem : c. fuit per M. die Jovis ad septimanam
 vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; res. est pena in px.
- c. dictam Agnetem Linche : c. fuit per eundem M. die
 Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. ; pena res. est in px.

In dei nomini amen . . . Ciciliam Lowe, Ric.
 Waddoppe, Kingborow King alias Blake, Eliz.
 Quaterman alias Leslie, Joh. Busbie
 propter . . . in hiis scriptis iusticia mediante.
 Lecta est per me

Tho. Glasierum.

- c. Magistrum Rob. Hiatt de Bampton : comp. et iur et f. 220.
 o.a. negat carnalem copulam aut quod vnquam
 attemptavit eius pudicitiam, fatetur tamen famam ;
 vnde dns. iniunxit ei ad purgandum se in px.
 secundis cum sex manibus vicinorum suorum viz.
 clericorum etc. et decreuit litteras proclamatorias
 emittendas ; emanarunt.

[blank].

f. 220b.

¹ cf. f. 202, last case.

² i.e., of Stanton Harcourt.

f. 221. ACTA in ecclesia parochiali S. Martini civitatis Oxonie
loco curie ibidem die Sabbati viz. xxvij^o die
mensis Februarii anno dni. 1584 . . .

c. Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld
Gray : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

c. Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicatio non
est reducta.

c. Annam Sellinge de Sowth Newton : em. ex. ; reducta,
executa provt patet per cert. subscriptum.

c. Ciciliam Low de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. :
em. ex.

f. 221*b.* *c.* Aliciam Abraham de Chinnor : res. est pena contumacie,
etc.

c. Edmundum Clementes de Combe for brawlinge in the
churchyard on All Hallow day : em. ex. ; executa
vt patet per cert. subscriptum ; quinto Martii
1584 in domo solite habitacionis Doctoris Glasier
legum doctoris comp. dictus Clementes et petiit
beneficium absolucionis, ad cuius petitionem dns.
eum absoluit et restituit etc. et sic dimisit eum sine
feodo quia pauper est.

c. Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : res. est pena
contumacie in h.d. ; quinto Martii 1584 comp. et
o.a. fatetur that by occasion of a letter that he had
to receyve at the articulate Joh. Welchman's
howse, he went thither on Sonndaye in the morn-
inge and there dranke a halfpenie pot of ale, but
neither tiplinge or makinge merie, and saith further
that notwithstandinge he came to devine service at
the first lesson the same morninge.

c. Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.

c. Ric. Blandi de Cotisford ad prob. test. rectoris ibidem :
[*no entry*].

c. Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena in
puerperium.

- c.* Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti : *f.* 221*b*
res. est pena contumacie ; in px. *cont.*
- c.* Tho. Browne de Cassington : em. ex. ; reducta, *f.* 222.
executa provt patet per cert. subscriptum.
- c.* Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida
est : em. ex.
- c.* Joanam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.
- c.* Tho. Eldriche de Islip : em. ex.
- c.* Wm. Shrimton parochie S. Nicholai : non est
examinatus.
- c.* Wm. Wolriche parochie S. Martini : non est examinatus.
- c.* Agnetem Fuller de Harpisdén : em. ex.
- c.* Tho. Pearman de Harsden : em. ex. *f.* 222*b*.
- c.* Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad
inducendum eandem post puerperium.
- c.* executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test.
patris def. : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Joanam Simons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti
def. : sim.
- c.* Wm. Pickeringe de Burford : continuatum est cert. in
h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Joh. Jorden de Burford ad prob. test. matris sui def. :
res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; d.
- c.* Franciscam Joans de Bampton, gravida est per Tho.
Stone de eadem : em. lit. pen.
- c.* dictum Tho. Stone : sim. *f.* 223.
- c.* Joanam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti
sui def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.

- f.223 cont. c.* Cuthbertum Atkins parochie S. Petri in oriente for
carienge of clothe on the saboth daye : monitus
est ad comparendum in h.d. ad recipiendum
penitentiam ; in postmeridiem ; comp., dns.
decrevit litteras penitencie emittendas in diem
Dominicum ad septimanam ; deinde dns. iniunxit
ei ad solvendum xij^d in vsum pauperum dicte
parochie et sic d.
- c.* Ric. Wadop de Fynmere ad prob. test. Thome Wadop
def. : em. ex.
- c.* Joh. Cope de Blackthorne ad prob. test. filii sui :
decretum est eum de nouo citandum fore etc. ;
c. die Veneris vlt. per D. ; vnde f.f. et 3^p. res. est
pena in px.
- c.* Joanam Bent parochie S. Aldasti Oxonie, grauida est :
res. est pena in h.d. ; stet.
- c.* Wm. Clercke de Wickham ad prob. test. Thome Clercke
de Boddicote : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- f. 223b. c.* Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnavit Elenam Coxiter
de eadem : em. ex. ; stet in px.
- c.* Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti def. :
pena contumacie reseruatur in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Annam Carpinter de Churchehill, peperit prolem : lit.
pen. non sunt emisse : em.
- c.* Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, grauida est
per Joh. Price de eadem : lit. pen. non sunt emisse.
- c.* Rogerum Fillice de Halloway : em. ex. ; executi pro
vt patet per cert. subscriptum ; 29 Martii 1584
in domo solite habitacionis [doctoris] Glasier etc.,
comp., iur. et o.a. negat prorsus articulum esse
verum ; deinde secundo Maij 1585 comp. dictus
Fillice et petiit beneficium absolucionis, ad cuius
peticionem dns. eum absoluit et restituit etc.,
et sic d.

- c. Kymboram Kinge alias Blake de Newnham Courtney : *f. 223b*
em. ex. ; reducta, executi provt patet per cert. *cont.*
subscriptum ; deinde xiiij die Martii, 1584, comp.,
iur. et o.a. negat prorsus carnalem copulam,
fatetur tamen that John Prince of Newnham did
attempt and request the said Kymbora of
incontinence, et statim dns. absolvit eam a
sententia excommunicacionis alias in eam lata et
restituit sacramentis ecclesie et congregacioni
fidelium etc. ; d.
- c. Joh. Prince de Newnham Courtney pro inc. cum dicta *f. 224.*
Kymbora : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ;
denuo res. est pena in px.
- c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : em. ex.
- c. Mariam Marigold de Charlburie, peperit prolem : res.
est pena in h.d. ; in horam primam.
- c. Margaretam West de Sawford ad prob. test. mariti
def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Mariam Bull de Tew Parva ad prob. test. matris def. :
res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Eliz. Quaterman alias Leisbie de Chalgrove : em. ex. ;
reducta, executi provt patet per cert. in dorso ;
Georgius Lasanbie nomine Elizabethe Quaterman
alias Lesanbye nunc vt asserit uxoris sue et petiit
sententiam absolucionis nomine dicte uxoris sue
et constituit Lee¹ procuratorem suum et uxoris
sue ad agendum et defendendum in omnibus
causis secundum formam registri et prestitit etc.,
dns. absoluit dictam Elizabetham ab excom-
municacione etc.
- c. Johanam Sprowston et Margaretam Sprowston
executrices testamenti Henrici Sprowston de Heth
def. ad prob. test. eiusdem def. : res. est pena in
h.d. ; in px.

¹ Lee was a proctor who practised regularly in the Oxford episcopal and archidiaconal courts at this time, as their records show.

- f. 224b.* *c.* Martham Joans uxorem Johannis Joans de Brice Norton pro inc. cum Richardo Palmer curato ibidem : res. est pena in h.d. ; 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Magistros Wright et Tho. Butler vicarium de Stanton Harcourt : res. est pena contumacie Wright in h.d., et decretum est Butler citandum fore personaliter si etc. alioquin v. et m. in h.d. ; executum die Lune vlt. super valvis ecclesie de Stanton Harcourt etc. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. Tho. Butler cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* Joh. Busbie de Bloxham quia impregnavit quandam mulierem nuper de eadem : em. ex. ; reducta, executi provt patet per cert. subscriptum.
- c.* Tho. Paine de Henlie pro inc. cum Agnete Lynche de eadem : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c.* dictam Agnetem Linche : sim. ; excommunicavit ; em.
- c.* Rob. Hiatt de Bampton clericum : habet ad purgandum se sexta manu vicinorum suorum viz. clericorum in px. et em. littere proclamatorie.
- f. 225.* *c.* Tho. Buckler de Longcombe : perquisitus per T. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. per T. ; dns. decrevit eum citandum personaliter si etc., alioquin v. et m. in px. ; em.
- c.* Tho. Ricotes de eadem for combinge of woll on the saboth day and for caringe the same to Ciceter : sim. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur that he did too seuerall Sondays sythence Michaelmas last after morninge prayer waye owt certeyne woll and caried the same towardes Ciceter, and saith further because he wanted abowt a three or iiij^{or} fleces to make up his waite wthall, he pulled owt the best thereof to make vp his waite, et submisit se domino iudicanti ; vnde eum dimisit cum monicione.

- c. Dominum [blank] Spencer curatum de Bourford : *f. 225 cont.*
perquisitus per T. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. ; v. et
m. in px. ; em.
- c. Ric. Haines de Shipton subter W^{ch}woode ad prob. test.
patris def. : c. per S. die Solis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et
3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Humfridum Rockall de Harpsden : c. fuit die Jovis
vlt. per M. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont.
et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c. Joh. Flower de eadem : perquisitus per M. die Jovis
vlt. ; v. et m. in px. ; em.
- c. Wm. Wilkins de Ensham et Joannam eius uxorem : *f. 225b.*
comp. ac monitus ad comparendum in horam
primam ; comp., monitus est ne in posterum
abutatur uxore sua et vt accipiat et tractet eam
vt decet virum bonum tractare uxorem suam sub
pena iuris.
- c. Jacobum Laiton de Oxonia : [no entry].
- c. Dorotheam Mayre de Bambpton : comp. ; dns. decrevit
litteras penitentie non extrahendas ante quindenam
et statim dns. commutavit penitentiam alias ei
iniunctam in quandam summam pecuniarum in
vsus¹ pauperum erogandum etc.

In dei nomine amen . . . Martham Joanes, Tho.
Buttler de Stanton Harcourte, Tho. Payne de
Henley, Agnetem Linche, Humfridum Rockall
propter . . . in his scriptis iusticia mediante.
Lecta 27^o Februarii per me
Tho. Glasierum.

In registro Archidiaconatus Oxonie. *f. 226.*
vj^o Martii 1584 comp. Anthonius Williams et
constituit Magistrum Phillipson² in procura-
torem ad agendum et defendendum pro eo et

¹ The plural is unusual.

² Phillipson was in regular practice at Oxford, as other records of
the courts show.

f. 226 cont. nomine suo in omnibus causis etc. et promisit mihi Thome Hopkins¹ notario publico de rato etc. secundum formam registri etc.

f. 226b. ACTA . . . die Sabbati viz. vj^o mensis Martii
anno dni. 1584 . . .²

- c.* Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld Graye : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo res.
- c.* Tho. Whitinge de Brightwell : excommunicacio non est reducta.
- c.* Ciciliam Low de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : em. ex.
- c.* Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; examinatus est.
- c.* Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.
- f. 227.* *c.* Ric. Blandie de Cotisford ad prob. test. rectoris ibidem : [*no entry*].
- c.* Elenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena in puerperium.
- c.* Aliciam Chambers de Hedington ad prob. test. mariti : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida est ; em. ex.
- c.* Joanam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.
- c.* Tho. Eldriche de Islippe : em. ex.
- f. 227b.* *c.* Wm. Wolriche parochie S. Martini : non est examinatus.

¹ Hopkins also practised regularly at Oxford.

² No name of notary included.

- c. Agnetem Fuller de Harpsden : em. ex. *f. 227b*
cont.
- c. Tho. Pearman de Harpsden : em. ex.
- c. Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.
- c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. eius test. : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Joannam Simons de Mapledurham ad prob. test. mariti def. : sim.
- c. Wm. Pickeringe de Burford : continuatum est cert. *f. 228.*
in h.d. ; 3p. pro dicto Pickering ; citatus,
preconizatus et non comparendo dns. pron. eum
cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.
- c. Joh. Jorden de Burford ad prob. test. matris sue : d.
- c. Franciscam Joans de Bampton, grauida est per Tho.
Stone de eadem : em. lit. pen.
- c. dictum Tho. Stone : sim.
- c. Ric. Wadop de Fynmere ad prob. test. Thome Wadop
def. : em. ex. ; reducta et executa provt patet per
cert. subscriptum.
- c. Joh. Cope de Blackthorne ad prob. test. filii sui def. :
res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; d.
- c. Wm. Clercke de Wickham ad prob. test. Thome *f. 228b.*
Clercke de Boddicote : res. est pena contumacie
in h.d.
- c. Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnavit Elenam Coxiter
de eadem : em. ex. ; habet ad 3^{es} ebdemodas.
- c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti
sui ; pena contumacie reservatur in h.d. ; in
festum Pasche.
- c. Annam Carpinter de Churchehill, peperit prolem : em.
lit. pen.

- f. 228b cont.* *c.* Margaretam West de Sawford ad prob. test. mariti sui : pena contumacie reservatur in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, grauida est per Joh. Prince de eadem : lit. pen. non sunt emisse.
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- f. 229.* ACTA expedita et gesta . . . die Sabbati viz. xxvij^o
 die mensis Martii anno dni . . . 1584 . . .
- c.* Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld Gray : [*no entry*].
- c.* Ciciliam Low de Tew ad prob. test. mariti sui def. : em. ex.
- c.* Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : excommunicatio non est emissa.
- c.* Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.
- c.* Ric. Blandie de Cottisford ad prob. test. rectoris ibidem : continuatur in diem Martis ante festum Pasche.
- f. 229b.* *c.* Helenam Frier de Tadmerton : res. est pena in puerperium ; in px.
- c.* Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, grauida est : em. ex.
- c.* Joanam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.
- c.* ~~Katherinam~~ London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium.
- c.* executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. test. eiusdem def. : res. est pena in h.d.
- c.* Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnauit Elenam Coxiter de eadem : causa huiusmodi continuatur in h.d.

- c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti *f.* 230.
def. : res. est pena contumacie in festum Pasche.
- c. Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney : em. lit. pen.
- c. Joh. Prince de Newnham Cortney pro inc. cum
Kymbora Kinge alias Blake de eadem : res. est
pena in h.d.
- c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. sua : stet in diem
Jovis ante festum Pasche.
- c. Agnetem Lynche de Henlie pro inc. cum Thoma Paine
de eadem : em. ex.
- c. Rob. Hiat de Bampton clericum : continuatur cert.
proclamacionis in h.d.
- c. Joh. Flower de Harpsden : em. decretum v. et m. *f.* 230b.
- c. Wm. Griffen de Stratton Audley pro inc. cum Joanna
Franclyn alias Griffen de eadem : monitus est ad
comparendum in h.d. ad recipiendum penitenciam
eo quod defecit in purgacione sua ; 3p. dns. pron.
eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Joanam Busbie de Ledwell ad prob. test. mariti : res.
est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c. Edwardum Hawten ad prob. test. Wolstini Hawten de
Swakley def. : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Janam Pusie de Sandford, peperit prolem : non est
examinata.
- c. Joannam Somner de Taynton, peperit prolem : res.
est pena contumacie in puerperium.
- c. Wm. Harrison de Burford, impregnavit dictam *f.* 231.
Joannam : em. decretum v. et m.
- c. Joh. How de Whatlie ad prob. test. [blank] Hobb de
eadem def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d.
- c. Aliciam Butler de Tadmerton : examinata est.

f. 231 cont. c. Joh. Saman de eadem : em. ex.

c. Joh. Osgod de Watlington, detectus est : em. decretum v. et m. ; *c.* personaliter per M. die Mercurii vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Anthonium Culverhowse de Henlie, detectus est : em. decretum v. et m. ; *c.* die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. per M. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Aliciam Culverhowse alias Bennett uxorem dicti Anthonii : em. ex.

f. 231b. c. Jeronimum Bennam de eadem : em. decretum v. et m. ; executum super ostio solite habitacionis dicti Jeronimi die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; em.

c. Janam Vynes de Piddington generosam, detecta est : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; denuo reservatur pena in px.

c. Joh. Townsend alias Shepherd de Yarnton pro inc. cum Francisca nuper famula vicarii ibidem : res. est pena contumacie in px. diem iuridicum post festum Pasche.

c. dictam Franciscam : stet in predictum diem iuridicum post festum Pasche.

c. Edmundum Hierne de Tew Michaelis ad prob. test. Joane Hierne de eadem def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; comp., exhibuit et d.

c. Annam Seelinge de Sowthe Newton : restat excommunicata in non peragendo.

f. 232. c. Margaretam Gilbert de Enstone ad prob. test. mariti def. : decretum est dictam Gilbert citandam fore v. et m. etc. ; executum die Dominica vlt. ; vnde f.f. per S. et 3*p.* dns. pron. eam cont. ; res. pena in px.

- c. Joannam Swadlinge de Hallowell, grauida est : c. fuit *f. 232 cont.*
per Sy. die Mercurii vlt ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron.
eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- c. Rob. Potter de Tadmerton : perquisitus fuit die
Mercurii vlt. per W. ; vnde f.f. ; dns. decreuit
eum citandum personaliter si etc., alioquin v. et m.
in px. ; em.
- c. Annam Joyner de eadem : perquisita fuit die Mercurii
vlt. per eundem W. ; sim. ; em.
- c. Ric. Fardon de Newnton ad prob. test. patris def. :
c. fuit diebus Martis et Jovis vlt. per W. ; vnde
f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum cont. ; res. pena in px.
- c. Anthonium Lee de Bloxham quia non recepit eucharis-
tiam per annum vlt. et quia absentat se ab ecclesia
sua tempore divinorum solemnium¹ : c. fuit per W.
die Martis vlt. ; comp. et o.a. fatetur that he did
receyve the holie communion at Ester last in the
parishe church of Wardington where he did then
dwell and not sithence, et vltius dicit that he
hath bene dyvers and sonndrie tymes absent from
his parishe church in the tyme of devyne service
at Christmes last and vpon other festiuall dayes
when he had iust occasion to travell forth vpon his
business, but he saith that he did then (as often
as he was absent from his owen parishe church)
heare devyne service at the church wherevnto he
did travell ; vnde dns. eum dimisit cum monicione
etc.
- c. Margaretam Gibberd de Enston ad prob. test. mariti *f. 232b.*
def. : [*struck through*].
- c. Humfridum Fletcher de Spilsburie for workinge on
Sonndayes and holie day [*sic*] and not kepinge his
parishe church : c. fuit die Veneris vlt. per S. ;
comp., iur., et o.a. negat prorsus articulum esse
verum for his workinge on Sundays and holie
dayes but confesseth that he hath (sometymes after
eveninge prayer) caried home his clothes to the

¹ MS. solemnia.

f. 232b
cont.

owners etc. and saith furthur that he hath bene sometymes in the afternone bene absent from his parishe church; vnde dns. monuit eum etc., et sic d.

c. Ric. Greye de eadem pro eadem causa : c. fuit die Veneris predicto per dictum S. ; comp., iur. ad a.o. fatetur that soometymes he doeth bring home his woорcke to his customers, but verie seldome as once or twice since he came forthe of his apprenticeshippe, and sayeth further he doeth diligentlve vse his parishe church vpon festivall dayes ; d. vna cum monicione.

c. Joh. Brookes gardianum de Shorthampton, for that there chappell is not comlie and decentlie trimmed wth scriptures : c. fuit per S. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur articulum esse verum ; vnde monitus est ad reparandum citra festum Michaelis px.

c. Joh. Highcocke de Soldern, detectus est : c. fuit per D. die Mercurii vlt. ; comp., iur., ad b.d. fatetur that [he] was borne in Soulderne and is above 60 yeares of age, and for his parte he knoweth not whether theare be enie coapes, vestements, chalices, candlestickes or crosses in enie person's handes in the towne of Souldren or parishe ; d.

c. Agnetem Hale de eadem ; sim. ; ne extrahatur : c. fuit die Mercurii predicto per D. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eam cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis ; comp. Joh. Hale filius, iur., et allegavit Agnetem matrem suam esse annosam et habere rupturam ita vt commodie interesse non possit sine periculo vite, fatetur that in y^e yeare when this deponent was churchman, he and his felowe did sell the chalice and bought a communion cuppe, and y^t was abowte 7 yeares paste ; d.

f. 233. c. Wm. Hodgett de eadem, detectus est : c. fuit die Mercurii vlt. per D. ; comp., iur., ad a.o. respondet y^t he was borne at Souldren and is abowte 6 or 7 and thritty yeares of age, and is nowe churchman

theare for Widow Gledwell, and for church goodes *f.233 cont.*
 theare we^{ch} weare vsed in oulde tyme he knowethe
 none, saving onelye ij peeces of a candlestick, but
 hath heard that theare be certayne goodes in
 Mr Stuttesburie's hands, what the particulars be
 this deponent knoweth not.

- c. Ciciliam Francklyn de Shorthampton pro inc. cum
 [blank] : restat excommunicata.

In dei nomine amen . . . Wm. Griffen, Joh.
 Osgod, Anthonium Culverhouse, Jeronimum
 Bennam, Joanam Swadling, Agnetem Hale¹
 propter . . . in hiis scriptis iusticia mediante
 Lecta 27^o Martii per me
 Tho. Glasierum.

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 anno dni. 1585 . . . in presentia Milonis Leighe
 notarii publici actorum scribe.

- c. Magistrum Stonner firmarium rectorie de Rotherfeld
 Greye : [no entry].
- c. Edmundum Manninge de Dadington : excommunicacio
 non est emissa.
- c. Tho. Mercer de eadem : sim.
- c. Ric. Blandie de Cottisford ad prob. test. rectoris
 ibidem : continuatur in diem Martis px.
- c. Helenam Frier de Tadmerton, peperit prolem : res.
 est pena in h.d.; comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur articulum
 esse verum et dicit that one William Somerton
 sometyme servant to her ffather Robert Baker alias

¹ Agnes Hale is previously entered as dismissed (*f. 232 b*) : probably the whole entry from "comparuit Joh. Hale" was added after the sitting of the court, an appearance having been made before the judge out of court, perhaps in his room in Exeter College or in the registry.

f. 234 cont.

Frier of Tadmerton, who now is gone into Warrickshire, but to what towne she knoweth not, had carnall knowledge of her boddie foure seuerall tymes viz. the first tyme in her said father's barne abowte Whitsontyde last past and then after that three other tymes vpon his bed in her father's howse etc. ; vnde dns. iniunxit ei penitenciam duorum dierum iusta formam schedule emittende.

f. 234b. c. Elenam Coxiter de Cote parochie de Bampton, gravida est : em. ex.

c. Joanam Winchecombe de eadem : em. ex.

c. Kath. London de Bixie : Joh. Mortimer habet ad inducendum eandem post puerperium ; citetur Joh. Mortimer de Bixe ; em.

c. executricem testamenti Sebastiani Bord ad prob. eius testamentum : res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.

c. Tho. Linsey de Bampton, impregnauit Helenam Coxiter de eadem : causa continuatur in h.d. ; in px.

c. Agnetem Edwardes de Elford ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena in px.

f. 235. c. Brigittam Farney de Newnham Courtney, grauida est : em. lit. pen.

c. Joh. Prince de Newnham Courtney pro inc. cum Kymbora Kinge alias Blake de eadem : res. est pena in h.d. ; denuo in px.

c. Eliz. Hosier de Swarford pro inc. : stet in diem Jovis ante festum Pasche.

c. Agnetem Linche de Henlie pro inc. cum Thoma Paine de eadem : em. ex.

c. Rob. Hiat de Bampton clericum : in visitacionem.

- c.* Joh. Flower de Harpsden : em. decretum v. et m. ; *f.* 235 *cont.*
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- c.* Wm. Griffen de Stratton Audley pro inc. cum Joana
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 catio non est emissa.
- c.* Joanam Busbie de Ledwell ad prob. test. mariti def. : *f.* 235*b.*
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- c.* Edwardum Hawten ad prob. test. Wolstini Hawten de
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- c.* Joanam Pusie de Sandford, peperit prolem : non est
 examinata.
- c.* Joanam Somner de Tainton, peperit prolem : res. est
 pena contumacie in puerperium.
- c.* Wm. Harrison de Burford, impregnavit dictam Joanam :
 em. decretum v. et m.
- c.* Aliciam Butler de Tadmerton : examinata est.
- c.* Joh. Saman de eadem : em. ex. *f.* 236.
- c.* Joh. Osgood de Watlington, detectus est : em. ex.
- c.* Anthonium Culverhowse de Henlie, detectus est : em. ex.
- c.* Aliciam Culverhowse alias Bennett uxorem eiusdem
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- c.* Jeronimum Bennam de eadem, detectus est : em. ex.
- c.* Janam Vynes de Piddington generosam, detecta est :
 res. est pena in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Joh. Townsend alias Shepherd de Yarnton pro inc. cum *f.* 236*b.*
 Francisca nuper famula vicarii ibidem : res. est
 pena in px. post festum Pasche.

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- c.* dictam Franciscam : stet in predictum diem.
- c.* Annam Seeling de Sowth Newnton : restat excommunicata in non peragendo penitentiam ; in horam primam.
- c.* Margaretam Gibbert de Eynsham ad prob. test. mariti def. : res. est pena contumacie in h.d. ; in px.
- c.* Joannam Swadlinge de Hallowell, grauida est : em. ex.
- c.* Rob. Poter de Tadmerton : em. decretum v. et m. ; executum die Jovis super ostio domus, etc. ; vnde f.f. per W. ; dns. pron. eum cont. et in penam ex. in scriptis.
- f. 237.* *c.* Annam Joyner de eadem : em. decretum v. et m. ;
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- c.* Ric. Fardon de Newton ad [prob.] test. patris def. :
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- c.* Tho. Lyne et Simonem Lyne de Tew ad prob. test.
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- c.* Ric. Hierne de Tadmerton : perquisitus fuit die Jovis
vlt. per W. ; comp., iur. ad a.o. negat that he
[w]¹ared Jhon Samon ether not to appeare heare
or [to ap]¹peale elleswheare, but persuaded him to
s[ubmit hi]¹mselve to lawe ; d.
- c.* Rob. Dey de Idburie pro inc. c[um] [blank] : c. fuit per
S. die Jovis vlt. ; vnde f.f. et 3p. dns. pron. eum
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- f. 237b.* *c.* Yewyn Bustian de Charlburie for workinge on Sondays
and holidays : c. fuit die Veneris vlt. per S. ;

¹ Hole in MS.

comp., iur. et o.a. fatetur that he hath vsed *f. 237b*
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 he beinge a wever ; monitus est ne imposterum
 similiter offendat et sic d.

c. Joh. Blackamore de eadem pro eadem causa : c. fuit
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c. Ric. Toolie de Charlburie pro eadem causa : c. fuit die
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c. Rob. Weden de Sou[ldern]¹ : c. per Daysie die Veneris
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¹ Hole in *MS.*

f. 238 cont. c. Margaretam Allice alias Leveret de eadem ad prob. test. fratris def. : c. per D. die Lune vlt. ; comp. et iur. de fideliter administrando etc. dns. comisit administracionem Margarete predictae iurate iuxta iuris exigentiam etc. de fideliter administrando etc.

In dei nomine amen . . . Joh. Flower, Rob. Potter
propter . . . in hiis scriptis iusticia mediante.
Lecta 3^o Aprilis per me
Tho. Glasierum.

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