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## INSTITUTIONS TO TOCKINGTON FREE CHAPEL.

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IN the account of Tockington Chapel, printed in Vol. XII., as cited above, we were unable to give an entire list of the Institutions of the Chaplains. To this, now, through the continued kindness of the Rev. T. P. Wadley, *Hon. Member* of the Society, we can make considerable additions, and to lay before our readers a revised list which we believe to be very nearly complete.

It will appear from these further notes from the Worcester Episcopal Registers, that in 1283 a claim was made by the Rector of Olveston to the patronage of the chapel. The grounds of this claim are not stated, but Walter de Stanford, or Manford, who, in January of the above year, had been instituted to the chapel upon the presentation of "Sir Hugh, called Pointz," would appear to have been removed, and on the 21st March following, Laurence de Vicñ was admitted upon the presentation of the Rector of Olveston *on the nomination of S'r Hugh Pointz*. This was evidently a compromise, and afterwards the Lords of Tockington and the Rectors of Olveston appear to have presented alternately until the alienation of the Manor of Tockington and advowson of the chapel by Sir Nicholas Poyntz to Thomas Lord Berkeley, the third of that name, in 1355, and the advowson appears from that date to have been indisputably vested in the Berkeleys of Beverston, with one exception, mentioned ante Vol. XII., p. 142, until seized by the King in 1536.

Early in the Richard<sup>1</sup> was Rector of the Chapel of Tokynton, reign of Ric. I.  
cir. 1194.

<sup>1</sup> See ante Vol. XII., p. 141.

1283. 17 Kal. January Walter de Stanford<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of the Chapel of Tokynton upon the presentation of "Sir Hugh, called Poyntz," but the right of presentation was claimed by the Rector of Olveston.
1283. 12 Kal. March Laurence de Vieñ<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, upon the presentation of the Rector of Olveston on the nomination of Sir Hugh Pointz, Knt.
1335. Nov. 22 Robert Poynz<sup>3</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, upon the presentation of Wm. Guldene, Rector of Olveston.  
Symon de Hylegh.
1360. Oct. 6. William Sampson<sup>4</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Tokynton by exchange with Simon de Hylegh, Rector thereof, with the consent of Sir Nicholas Poyns, Knt., Lord of Tokynton, patron.
1361. Dec. 28 Thomas Andrew,<sup>5</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, upon the presentation of Nicholas Isord, Rector of Olveston.
- 1361 Feb. 6. Thomas Proud,<sup>6</sup> was admitted to the Church of Tokynton, upon the presentation of Thomas and Johañ (*query* John or Joan) Toky, of Kyngton.
1366. 13 Kal. March John Aleyn,<sup>7</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, upon the presentation of Nicholas de Issord, Rector of Olveston.
- 1375 Jan. 30. John le Fysshher,<sup>8</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the resignation of John Aleyn, upon the presentation of the Lady Katherine Berkeley.
- 1391 July 28. John Pygot,<sup>9</sup> the younger, incumbent of Whinebergh, Dioc. of Norwich, was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton upon exchange with John Fysshher.

<sup>1</sup> Bishop Giffard's Reg., fol. 195.<sup>5</sup> Sede vacante, fol. 112.<sup>2</sup> Idem., 201.<sup>6</sup> Idem., 113.<sup>3</sup> Bp. Montacute's Reg., fol. 20.<sup>7</sup> Bp. Wittlesey's Reg., fo. 15.<sup>4</sup> Bp. Bryan's Reg. Vol. I. fol. 112.<sup>8</sup> Bp. Wakefield's Reg., fol. 3.<sup>9</sup> Idem., fol. 80.

- 1406 Oct. 22. John Berkeley<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the Rectory or wardenship of the free chapel of Tokynton, vacant by death of John Pygot, the younger, upon the presentation of Sir John de Berkeley, Knt.
- 1414 June 13. John Walton<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the resignation of John Berkeley upon the presentation of Sir John Berkeley, Knt.
- 1415 Nov. 30. Thomas Pyry<sup>3</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the death of John Walton, upon the presentation of Sir John Berkeley, Knt.
- 1427 Feb. 14. John Threpland<sup>4</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the resignation of Thomas Pyry, upon the presentation of Sir John Berkeley, Knt.
- 1432 July 22. William Fallan<sup>5</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the resignation of John Threpland, upon the presentation of Sir Maurice Berkeley, Knt.
- 1457 Mar. 13. William Gyan<sup>6</sup> was admitted to the Chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the resignation of William Fallan, upon the presentation of Sir Maurice Berkeley, Knt.
1485. Richard Beele<sup>7</sup> was admitted to the chantry or free chapel of Tockynton, vacant by the resignation of William Gyan upon the presentation of William Herbert, Esq.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Clifford's Reg., fol. 94.

<sup>5</sup> Idem., fol. 133.

<sup>2</sup> Bp. Peverell's Reg., fol. 65.

<sup>6</sup> Bp. Carpenter's Reg., fol. 145.

<sup>3</sup> Idem., fol. 74.

<sup>7</sup> Bp. Alcock's Reg., fol. 150.

<sup>4</sup> Bp. Pulton's Reg., fol. 36.

<sup>8</sup> Sir William Berkeley, of Beverston, upon the plea that he had taken part in the plot of the Duke of Buckingham, was attainted and his lands forfeited. Tokynton, with the advowson of the chapel, was granted to William Herbert by King Rich. III., but upon the accession of Hen. VII., it was restored under the Act of Resumption. The vacancy in the incumbency of the chapel having occurred during this short interval a commission was issued to enquire into the claim of William Herbert to present with the result that his presentee was admitted.

- 1485 Dec. 19. John Barton<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the free chapel of the B.V.M. and St. Nicholas of Tockington, vacant by the death of Richard Bele, upon the presentation of the King.<sup>2</sup>
- 1492 Jan. 24. John Packer,<sup>3</sup> Bachelor in Laws, was admitted to the Chapel of Tockynton, vacant by the resignation of John Berton, upon the presentation of Sir Edward Berkeley, Knt.
- 1499 April 8. John Baker was instituted to the free chapel of Tokynton, vacant by the resignation of John Packer, upon the presentation of Sir Edward Berkeley, Knt.
- Unknown. Richard Berrie was incumbent of the chapel in 1547-8, as shewn by the certificate of the Commissioners of Chantries, &c., dated 14 Feb. in that year. He was then aged 58 years. It is probable that there was one institution, if not more, between 1499 and this date, but no entry of such institution can be found in the Episcopal Registers. The endowment of the chapel, as before stated (ante Vol. XII., p. 173), amounted to only £3 13s. 4d. per annum, but he held also with it the Service of Our Lady at Dursley, so that together they made a good benefice.

<sup>1</sup> Bp. Alcock's Reg., fol. 152.

<sup>2</sup> On the death of Sir William Berkeley in this year, s.p., his lands would necessarily be taken into the King's hands, and a vacancy occurring the King would present.

<sup>3</sup> Morton's Reg., fol. 47.

PEDIGREE OF THE FAMILY OF BERKELEY OF BEVERSTON,

*Shewing the devolution of the Manor and Advowson of the Chapel of Tockington through that family.*

