XXXII.—*Extracts from Accounts of the Churchwardens of Minchinhampton, in the County of Gloucester, with Observations thereon.* By JOHN BRUCE, Esq. *Treas. S. A.*

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AN opportunity having been afforded me of inspecting a collection of old churchwardens' accounts, I have made some extracts from them, which I beg leave to submit to this Society.

The importance of this class of historical evidences has been long universally admitted. Illustrations of manners and customs, information as to prices and comparative values, and interesting facts in history, topography, and biography have been derived from these humble records. The present accounts differ in some respects from those which have been already published, and, although certainly not to be compared in point of interest with one or two of the most important, they will not, I think, be deemed unworthy of consideration.

They are the accounts of Minchinhampton, a parish in the county of Gloucester, twelve miles in circuit, and occupying a tongue of land which terminates one of the hill districts of that county.^a The table-land of the parish stands at a level of several hundred feet above the Bristol Channel, which may be seen from several eminences sparkling in the distance. It also commands extensive views over the valley of the Severn, westward as far as the Black Mountains in Glamorganshire, and north-westward to the beacons of Herefordshire and Worcestershire, above Malvern. From each side of this table-land there is a steep, and in some places a precipitous, descent. On the north side, the descent is into the beautiful valley of the Stroudwater, comprising the villages of Chalford and Brimscombe and the town of Stroud; on the south, it is to the old British village of Avening, to the modern town of Nailsworth, and thence to the Roman station of Woodchester. Like all the hill sides of this district of Gloucestershire, these sudden descents are

^a The mineral character and curious fossil conchology of the oolite of Minchinhampton were made the subjects of a valuable communication to the Geological Society, in December, 1847, by J. Lycett, Esq. of Minchinhampton, a gentleman of well known scientific acquirements. Mr. Lycett's paper was printed in the Proceedings of the Geological Society.

intersected by combs and deep narrow valleys or ravines—both perhaps, and certainly the latter, ancient watercourses, down which streams, gushing from the hill sides, formerly poured their tribute to the Severn. At the period when these accounts commence these valleys were thickly covered with self-sown beech. In many places this natural covering still remains; and when, as in the Golden Valley of Chalford and in the valleys of Sapperton and Toadmoor, it occurs in a landscape which is in other respects varied and picturesque, the slender-waving beeches, rising tier above tier on the steep hill sides, impart to the scene a rich and glowing beauty which cannot easily be paralleled in England.

A few patches of this hill-side woodland, cleared here and there in situations commodious for the removal of the timber, with some ancient pieces of arable, chiefly producing barley, and situate in dips of the table-land, were probably all that, three hundred years ago, was brought into cultivation in the parish of which we are treating. The whole of the land in tillage could not have amounted to many score of acres; and, with this exception, a wide spread open down extended for miles around the ancient town of Minchinhampton. The early occupations of the inhabitants may be safely inferred from the character of the neighbouring country. There were several mills on the streams in the valleys, or bottoms, as they are there termed; a little malting was done in the town, and the mast of the beech-woods yielded excellent food for swine. Under such circumstances, although some few of the inhabitants may have been tillers of the ground, the great majority were, doubtless, keepers of sheep. The cloth manufacture, for which this county has been distinguished, was confined, as I take it, to the corporate towns of the county until late in the reign of Elizabeth; and the power of producing a brilliant and permanent scarlet dye, for which the waters of Chalford have become celebrated even to China and the remotest countries of the East, remained undiscovered until about the same period.

An ancient road, running west from Cirencester to Gloucester, and another similar road running north from Bath to Gloucester, united within a mile westward of Minchinhampton, and connected the old town with the surrounding world. Save for the traffic on these roads a more secluded place could scarcely have existed. The town was built on the line of the latter road, and consisted of four short streets, meeting each other at right angles, with a cross standing at the point of intersection. The east and west streets were on the line of the road from Bath to Gloucester; the north or high street ran straight from the cross to the church; the south street led to the town well, and thence, by a steep descent, into a woody valley, which wound to the south-west towards Nailsworth.

Besides the town, there were included within the parish various little outlying hamlets, or collections of houses, which had grown up principally round the water-mills erected in the valleys, eight of which mills are mentioned in Domesday Book. Most of these hamlets were situate a long mile of steep ascent or descent from the parish church, and several of them have since been converted into separate chapelries or ecclesiastical districts. At the time when these accounts commence, that is, A.D. 1555, the second year of Philip and Mary, Rodborough, since well known in the history of George Whitefield and Dissent, and celebrated for the view from an eminence there called The Fort, which overhangs Stroud, was a chapelry of Minchinhampton. An aisle of the mother church was set apart for the accommodation of the people of Rodborough, and the chapelwardens of Rodborough made an annual contribution of 20s. towards its repair. Besides Rodborough, which has been long erected into a parish of itself, there were, on the north side of the parish, the hamlets of Besbury, Cowcombe, Brimscombe, Hyde, Burley, and Chalford; and, on the south, Forewood, Saint Lo, Holcombe, Longford, Dunkirk, the Box, Amberley, and Littleworth, rendered conspicuous on the western side of Minchinhampton-common by its lofty ancient May-pole. Of these hamlets Brimscombe, Amberley, and Chalford, are now separate ecclesiastical districts.

In the Conqueror's survey the town is mentioned by its Saxon name of Hamtune, and by that name it continues to be ordinarily designated down to the present day, not only by the inhabitants, but by the residents in the neighbourhood, and in the inscriptions on direction posts. At the period of the conquest, Hampton belonged to the cathedral of Worcester. On its subsequent forfeiture to the Crown it was granted by the Conqueror to the abbess and nuns of the convent of the Holy Trinity in Caen, and in this way it acquired its prefix of Minchin. On the loss of Normandy, Minchinhampton reverted to the Crown, and was afterwards granted to the nuns of Sion, near Isleworth. The dissolution of the monasteries brought it again into the possession of the Crown, and, late in the reign of Henry VIII., it formed a part of the lands which were the subject of a transaction which, save in its result, affords a modern parallel to the history of Naboth's Vineyard.

The family of Windsor had been seated for many generations at Stanwell, between Staines and Colnbrook, a situation which possessed the great advantages of contiguity to the metropolis and to Windsor. Henry VIII. thought their residence too near the latter place. He sent Lord Windsor a message that he would dine with him. At the appointed time his majesty arrived, and was received with bountiful and loyal hospitality. Lord Bacon tells us that Henry VII., on quitting

the residence of the Earl of Oxford on a similar occasion, referred his entertainer to the Attorney-General, and bade him compound for penalties incurred by the excessive number of the retainers to whom he had given his livery in order to do honour to his royal guest. This was the return, not of a king, but of an informer. The conduct of Henry VIII., if less mean, was more tyrannical. On leaving Stanwell, he addressed his host in words which breathe the very spirit of Ahab. He told Lord Windsor "that he liked so well of that place as that he resolved to have it, yet not without a more beneficial exchange." Lord Windsor answered, that he hoped his highness was not in earnest. He pleaded that Stanwell had been the seat of his ancestors for many ages, and begged that his majesty would not take it from him. The king replied, that it must be so. With a stern countenance he commanded Lord Windsor, upon his allegiance, to go speedily to the Attorney-General, who should more fully acquaint him with the royal pleasure. Lord Windsor obeyed his imperious master, and found "the draught ready made" of a conveyance, in exchange for Stanwell, of lands in Worcestershire and Gloucestershire, and amongst them of the impropriate rectory of Minchinhampton, with the manor and a residence adjoining the town. Lord Windsor submitted to the enforced banishment; but it broke his heart. Being ordered to quit Stanwell immediately, he left there the provisions laid in for the keeping of his wonted Christmas hospitality, declaring, with a spirit more prince-like than the treatment he had received, that "they should not find it Bare Stanwell."^a If he passed his Christmas in his new residence at Minchinhampton, he probably found it bare enough. He died in the following March.

From the Windsors, Minchinhampton passed, in the 17th century, to the Shepards, a family of the neighbourhood, enriched by the practice of the law; and, on the death of a member of that family, a portion of the estate was purchased by the celebrated David Ricardo, the writer on political economy. The Shepards erected an elegant modern mansion at Gatcombe, a spot of great beauty on the south-eastern side of the little town. This, being part of Mr. Ricardo's purchase, is now the seat of one of his sons.

Minchinhampton is the burial-place of Dr. Bradley, F.R.S., the Astronomer Royal, the inscription to whose memory has lately been properly repaired and placed in a prominent situation in the church.

Many other *notabilia* might be mentioned respecting Minchinhampton, and especially with reference to various Celtic remains in the neighbourhood, and the

^a Dugdale relates this anecdote upon the authority of Thomas Lord Windsor.—*Baronage*, ii. 308.

ancient earth-work which incloses the whole town, and is popularly termed a Danish camp; but my object, at present, is merely to give such a general idea of the history and situation of the place as may enable the Society to understand and apply the extracts which I have made from the churchwardens' accounts. Having done this, I now proceed to the accounts themselves.

The ordinary ancient revenue of the churchwardens of this parish, as exhibited in these accounts, was derived from the following sources:—1. The payment from Rodborough, to which I have before alluded. 2. The profit derived from underletting a church-house and other houses, and a piece of land held by the parish under a lease from the lord of the manor, which has long since expired. 3. "Hogling-money," which I take to have been a customary payment made by the sheep-farmers of the parish for their hoglings, or hoggets, that is, their sheep of the second year: this payment was not continued after 1595. 4. Paschal money, which consisted of customary contributions made by such of the parishioners as came "to take their rights," as it was termed, that is, to confess, be absolved, and receive the Eucharist at Easter. After the Reformation, the communicants at Minchinhampton seem at first to have made an offertory donation only at Easter. From about 1604 the offertory money began to be collected from time to time on every occasion of receiving the Lord's Supper. In this parish the whole of the Paschal money and the Offertory collection were paid over to the churchwardens, they providing the sacramental elements. 5. An annual gathering or collection made by the churchwardens from house to house throughout the parish. Many of the parishioners contributed not in money but in kind: quantities of wheat and malt were thus accumulated by the churchwardens. This gathering was succeeded by a rate about the year 1646. 6. The last item of the old ordinary parochial receipt consisted of the profits of a church-ale, held by the churchwardens annually at Whitsuntide. On this occasion the parochial donations in kind were turned to account. Ale was brewed by the churchwardens; a feast was held at the church-house; the church-ale was sold to all comers, and the day was passed in the revels and amusements customary at rural festivals. The profit to the church from the gathering and the ale generally amounted to from 3*l.* to 5*l.* per annum. After some occasional intermissions, the church-ale in this parish was finally discontinued from 1589. From these sources the total income was ordinarily fully sufficient to defray the demands against the parish.

A good deal of curiosity attaches to many of the separate items of payment charged on the other side of this account; but it will better suit my own compe-

tency, as well as my view of the use of documents of this description, if, instead of presenting a series of illustrations of the detached payments, which almost every member of this Society could furnish better than myself, I endeavour in these prefatory observations to exemplify the historical use of these accounts—to deduce from them, that is, an example or two of the evidence which they contain of the influence of the great public events in our national history upon this secluded little town. With this view, I will show from these accounts what, practically, the shepherds and maltsters of this remote district did when Queen Mary brought back the ancient faith and worship; and again, in like manner, what they did when Protestantism was restored by Queen Elizabeth. It cannot be expected that a very great deal of information can be found on these points from such documents as those before us, but, probably, we shall obtain more than at first sight might be thought likely.

The first account in the earlier of the two books is that rendered for the year extending from Christmas 1554 to the same period in 1555. England had then been fully and openly reconciled to the See of Rome. The English service had been prohibited by proclamation from the 20th December, 1553. But change travels slowly into far-off districts, and it was not until 1556 that all the necessary alterations had been completed at Minchinhampton. During the intermediate years the churchwardens had no doubt been fully occupied. Their first care had been to provide service books. Probably a breviary was purchased in 1554, the account for which year has not been preserved. The people were evidently fond of devotional singing, as they are at the present day. To gratify them, the sum of 16s. 4d. was paid for an antiphonarium, besides 12d. for a skin of leather to cover the precious volume. A porthose cost 15d. Sir Roger, the officiating priest, was allowed 2s. 6d. for two other books; and Pockmore, a person whose name occurs several times in these early accounts, was also paid, in 1558, “for a boke, 2s.” Priestly garments were fortunately provided at little cost. A cope carefully preserved in the vestment closet was made serviceable at the expense of 12d. for mending; two surplices were furbished up for 3s. 4d. The old sancte bell had been allowed to remain untouched, all that it needed was a new rope. A rood cost 20s., a tabernacle, 12s., a pyx, 3s. 10d. A carver at Gloucester was set to work upon an image of the Trinity, to whom the church was dedicated, and 12d. was paid to him as earnest money. Thus provided, Easter seems to have been celebrated with all the old-fashioned ceremonies. Wax, at 1s. per pound, was provided for a Paschal taper and a taper for the font; there were two extra tapers for the altar; a sepulchre was constructed, with all necessary pins and points and

nails and packthread; men were hired to watch it; candles were placed round it; frankincense was provided; and the "horgons," as the word is written with true Gloucestershire aspiration, were duly repaired, in anticipation of the Easter service. So far as could be expected in a distant country parish, the restoration of the old service was complete.

But the most serious addition to the expense of the parish at this time was a repair of the church windows, and particularly of a window specially alluded to as "the window" in Andrew's, or, as it is called in other places, Ansloe's, that is, St. Loe's chapel, the northern transept of the present church. Whether from long inattention, or the iconoclastic zeal of the more ardent Reformers (I think from the former cause), these windows stood in need of entire renovation. The destruction, or decay, had been so complete, that even iron partitions had to be purchased. The glazier came from a distance, probably from Gloucester, a bargain was made, earnest money was paid to him, he was to use up all the old glass, and to be paid for new glass at about 9*d.* per foot. The repair was the work of several years. Ansloe's chapel was finished first; the small side windows cost 5*s.* 5*d.* over and above the old glass, "the window" took 42 feet of new glass, which was charged at 32*s.* 1*d.* I do not find in these accounts any direct allusion to the elegant rose window in the southern transept, which is the only ancient portion of the present church except the tower. This window and the Delamere effigies below it were saved from destruction, on a recent rebuilding of the church, mainly by the exertions of a Fellow of this Society, Edward Dalton, Esq. D.C.L., who resides at Dunkirk Manor-house, in this parish.

The external change from Protestantism to Romanism had been completed, and the repair of the windows was still proceeding when Queen Mary died. Her death occurred, as is well known, in November. The more zealous Reformers throughout the kingdom cast off the mass immediately, but no change in the services was enforced by authority until the following Midsummer. There was no haste at Minchinhampton. At Easter, which was on the 30th March, there were all the customary ceremonies, the tapers and the sepulchre, with the "points and pins and packthread." The Parliament met on the 25th January. On the 28th April the Act of Uniformity was passed. Without waiting for the prescribed Midsummer-day, the English service was immediately adopted in all communities where there was any zeal for Protestantism. At Minchinhampton the enforced change was accepted very slowly. There was an archidiaconal visitation, but still no change. The summer was evidently waning, when at length there comes a payment for "A Booke of Injunctions, 4*d.*" These Injunctions, founded upon those of Edward VI. of 1547, and taken in connection with the Act of Unifor-

mity, substantially restored the external ministrations of the Church to the state in which they were left by Edward VI. Copes, and other pontifical garments, were to be returned to their old places of deposit; the rood, the pyx, and the tabernacle, were again to disappear; the breviary, the porthose, and the anti-phonarium, once more to be laid aside; the sancte bell to cease to tinkle. Following hard upon the receipt of the Injunctions we find that 6*s.* 8*d.* was paid for "a Booke of Sarvyce and Administracon of the Sacraments;" no doubt "The Boke of Common Praier," published in 1559. There were two editions, one printed by Grafton and the other by Jugge and Cawood, and the variations between them are a great puzzle to bibliographers. The Queen's next step was to send Commissioners throughout the kingdom to ascertain that the change of service had been actually effected in every parish, and to administer the oath of supremacy to the clergy. We find, accordingly, that the churchwardens, and six others of the parishioners, journeyed to Gloucester to attend the Queen's general visitation. They had been directed by the Injunctions to take with them an inventory of the vestments, copes, and other ornaments, plate, and books, and "specially of grayles, couchers, legends, processionalis, manuals, hymnals, portuesses, and such like," appertaining to the Church. But their hearts were not in the matter; the inventory was omitted. There was consequently a second journey to Gloucester to lodge their inventory, with "the mayor there and other," probably after the departure of the Commissioners. The records of this royal visitation, a proceeding founded upon the Queen's authority as head of the Church, have very strangely disappeared. An account of the visitation of the province of York, which was seen by Bishop Burnet, was again brought to light, some little time since, by Mr. Lemon, in the State Paper Office; but that of Canterbury has not yet been discovered. I need scarcely point out to gentlemen who have opportunities of searching in record offices, and inspecting original documents of this period, how curious and valuable the returns made to these Commissioners would probably be found to be.

In the next year, that is, in 1560, the churchwardens, delaying as long as they could, purchased a Bible, at the cost of 12*s.* 6*d.*, besides carriage. This was a purchase which they were bound to make, by the Queen's Injunctions, within three months after the General Visitation. It appears in the record of the visitation of the province of York, to which I have before alluded, that in several parishes in the North, on the accession of Queen Mary, the bibles and other books of the time of Edward VI. were delivered to the priests to be burnt. The Bible in Minchinhampton church, if not burnt, was less cared for than the old cope.

In 1561, the churchwardens, still delaying as long as possible, tardily provided

“a paraphrase,” at the cost of 8s. The book alluded to was “Erasmus’s Paraphrase upon the Gospels,” which, under the Queen’s Injunctions, ought to have been purchased within twelve months after the General Visitation. It was directed by the Injunctions that this paraphrase should be set up in the church for the perusal of the people.

The slowness of these purchases was cast into the shade by the conduct of the parish authorities in reference to the book of Homilies. On the accession of Elizabeth, it is well known, that, in consequence of the hostility of the clergy to the changes sanctioned by the Government and Legislature, all preaching was forbidden except by persons specially licensed. As a substitute for this important instrument of moral and religious teaching—if indeed it be not a divine ordinance—a Homily was directed to be read in the church every Sunday. In the Queen’s Injunctions, and in the Articles of the General Visitation, the reading of the Homilies was taken for granted. The question was not therefore asked, whether the parish possessed a book of Homilies or not. Several editions of the first book of Homilies were put forth in the reign of Edward VI. If Minchinhampton ever possessed a copy, it had shared the fate of their Bible, for on the publication of the second book of Homilies, in 1563, a copy of that volume was bought by the churchwardens in the following year, at the price of 3s. 6d., and at the same time, after the lapse of five years, the want of the former volume was supplied by the purchase of “the first tome of Homalies, 15d.”

A further evidence of the unwillingness with which the people of Minchinhampton came into the religious changes made by the Government of Elizabeth, is to be found in the expense of bread and wine for communicants. Under the old system, people, generally speaking, communicated at Easter only. The universal reception at that time was thought by Protestants to have too frequently degenerated into a mere form. In Protestant places an administration at other times was therefore deemed advisable, and by some people was even preferred. In Minchinhampton, for a good many years after the accession of Elizabeth, every body continued to receive at Easter only. The expense of bread and wine for the whole year, except at Easter, ranged, for a good many years, from 5d. to 18d. Even in 1569 there is a payment which may intimate that oil was still used in baptism. It is as follows: “For wyne, 12d.; for breadde and oyle, 2d.”

I think it cannot be doubted, from the circumstances I have stated, and others might be adduced from the books before us, that Minchinhampton was one of those parishes, and they were very numerous, especially in remote districts, in which the popular feeling was adverse to the Reformation. This

state of things may be easily accounted for. The second Lord Windsor was a staunch supporter of Queen Mary ; but he had fixed himself nearer London, at Bradenham, in Buckinghamshire, and interfered little with Minchinhampton, except in the exercise of his ecclesiastical patronage and his rights of property. The true cause of the disinclination to the Reformation is an exemplification of the old proverb, "like priest like people." During the reign of Edward VI., and at the accession of Queen Mary, the Rector of Minchinhampton was the celebrated Gilbert Bourne, the same who, in the first year of Queen Mary, had the temerity to defame Edward VI. and exalt Bishop Bonner, in a sermon at Paul's Cross, and would have been torn to pieces in consequence by the enraged people, but for the interference of Bradford and Rogers, the subsequent martyrs, one of whom caught the dagger which was thrown at him, and the other assisted him to escape into St. Paul's school. Gilbert Bourne was a considerable pluralist, and probably was little at Minchinhampton after the accession of Mary, by whom he was appointed Bishop of Bath and Wells ; but, during the reign of Edward VI., whilst Hooper was endeavouring to Protestantise Gloucester, Bourne was doing all he could to keep Protestantism away from Minchinhampton, and one cannot doubt that Bourne's curate, "Sir Roger," and his successor, if appointed by Lord Windsor, would follow in the footsteps of Bishop Bourne. This circumstance, added to the prejudice against all presumed novelty which is found amongst people living in secluded districts, sufficiently accounts for the slow reception of Protestantism in this distant parish.

It came however at last, and it came in a way which affords another illustration of "like priest like people." A change begins to appear from about 1573. In 1575, Edward, the third Lord Windsor, died. In the same year a new rector was presented, a Reverend Thomas Freeman, probably a relation of Freeman the epigrammatist, who dedicated his works to Lord Windsor. Change now came on rapidly. The amount paid for bread and wine at other times than at Easter soon doubled, quadrupled, and ran up to a considerable amount. A Bible was bought of the new translation, the bells were begun to be rung on the day of the Queen's accession, and a desk was erected at the pulpit ;—probably the prayers had been read up to this time at the altar. The next item, which occurs immediately after the appointment of Mr. Freeman, is conclusive. "Paid to John Mayow and John Lyth, for pullynge down, destroying, and throwing out of the church, sundry superstitious things tending to the maintenance of idolatry, 6s. 8d.;" and that no possible doubt may remain as to the new spirit which had entered the parish, the payment of Pentecostals is entered in the same account thus : "to the sumner for

Peterpence, or smokefarthing, sometime due to the Antichrist of Rome, x^d." As this feeling increased so did the popular demonstrations of respect and loyalty to the Queen. In 1576 there is the following entry: "For ringing, the day of the Queen's majesty's entering into the Crown, whom God long time we beseech to preserve."

From this time to the end of the reign of Elizabeth the Protestant feeling evidently went on increasing. Payments to preachers occur from 1596. In that year 5s. was paid "to the preacher," and payments on the same account occur in subsequent years. These preachers were probably some of the lecturers at that time so much favoured by the people. Another thing which appears from the accounts before us is, that during the reigns of Elizabeth, James, and Charles, the watchfulness of the ecclesiastical governors was found to be extremely troublesome and expensive to the churchwardens and parishioners. The people were not merely superintended, but were teased and irritated by perpetual visitations and inquiries, often about trifles. They were compelled to go to Tetbury, to Stroud, to Painswick, to Gloucester, to Cirencester, and in turn, three or four times a year, to most of the surrounding towns. And all these visitations were attended by fees to the paritor or summoning officer, one of the most unpopular of public functionaries. He travelled round from parish to parish, taking with him, besides his summons, which he was paid for delivering, a book of articles, or a brief, or a proclamation, or something or other, which was also to be paid for. At the day appointed the churchwardens and sidesmen were bound to attend personally. They had to deliver in a return, often, as stated in these accounts, of "none recusants," but which they were obliged to get written for them in due form by some paid scribe, and which was of course not received or filed without the payment of fees to the officers of the court. The parish had also to pay the travelling expenses of the persons representing the parish on these occasions, and the churchwardens were not unfrequently called upon to purchase a copy of a new edition of some ecclesiastical book, which it was generally found economical to buy. Refusal was sure to be remembered, and sometimes to be followed by citation or excommunication on some pretence or other, as "paid for taking off our excommunication for not appearing when we were never summoned to appear, 6s. 8d." The number of these calls upon the parish fully appears in the extracts I have made. The year 1582 is an illustration. A church surveyor appointed a particular day to come and "look upon" the steeple. The day was inconvenient, and a messenger was sent to him at Painswick to will him not to come, "the parish not being at leisure." At last he came, and was paid a fee of 2s. 6d. for his pains. The Dean that year held a sitting at Stroud, where the churchwardens attended and "put up their bill." Then there came a mason from Malmesbury to look

upon the tower—(the visits of these inspectors, it may be remarked, were not followed by any immediate repairs)—who was paid his fee of 16*d.* Then followed an episcopal visitation, when the churchwardens and sidesmen attended at Tetbury and made their presentments; a book of articles was paid for, and the apparitor had fees for summoning the churchwardens to Stroud and to Tetbury. Shortly afterwards, the same persons had to go to Gloucester, where there were expenses incurred and fees paid on putting up their presentment: and finally, the Archdeacon held his customary visitation at Tetbury, where the churchwardens and sidesmen again presented themselves. They then returned home, put clasps to the Church Bible, repaired the clock, and, as the times were threatening, put in order their share of the national defences; they scoured the parish caliver, and mended their collection of perhaps three or four head-pieces.

The account for 1635 presents another example nearer to the time when these things produced their effect. There is, first, a journey to Tetbury, on 14th June, 1635, to the Archdeacon's visitation, when the fees and charges are 1*l.* 2*s.* 7*d.*, besides 3*s.* 5*d.* “for makeinge a terriall of the glebe lands and caring it in.” Then follow the following entries: “Paid att Gloucester courte, for expenses and fees, 3*s.* 2*d.* Paid att Gloucester, the second tyme, for expenses and fees, 4*s.* 6*d.* Paid att Gloucester, the third tyme, for expenses and fees, 1*s.* 7*d.* Paid att Gloucester, the fourth tyme, for expenses and fees, and the sydesmen's charges there, 9*s.* 4*d.* Paid att Gloucester, the 5th tyme, for expenses and fees, 4*s.* 4*d.* Paid at visitation, the 17th November, 12*s.* 4*d.* . . . Paid to the visitor of the church, 5*s.*”

To consider fully the question of the harassing effect of these continual visitations would lead me too far a-field; were it otherwise, I think it might be shown, even from the accounts before us, that this over-watchful superintendence—troublesome under Elizabeth, and positively vexatious under James I. and Charles I.—was, in all probability, one of the causes which led to the general unpopularity into which the Church of England and Episcopal government ultimately fell. The great rebellion, it must be borne in mind, was a rising as much against the church as against the king; and I think these accounts lead to the conclusion, that one cause of the unpopularity of the church is to be found in the vexatious over-vigilance exercised by its governors—a vigilance which had a jealous regard for the care of buildings and the preservation of an external uniformity in religious services, but was anything but jealous for the maintenance of the peculiar doctrines of the national faith.

Another point which receives some little illustration from these accounts is, the amount and progress of education in this part of Gloucestershire. Until about 1635 the accounts were stated for the churchwardens by some person employed for

the purpose, and there is frequently a payment of 6*d.*, 1*s.*, or 18*d.* “ for writing and casting the account.” A transcript of the parish register of baptisms, marriages, and burials was returned to the bishop’s register, and the person who made the transcript ordinarily also made out the churchwardens’ account : sometimes this was done by the schoolmaster. In stating the accounts, numeral letters were generally used to express the sums until about 1613. From that time, with occasional exceptions, the Arabic figures are employed ; and, from about 1595, the totals are frequently stated in Arabic figures, although the items are given in letters. In 1633 there occurs the first signature of a churchwarden ; in that year also there is an entry by Thomas Lord Windsor of his gift of 10*l.* towards the expense of a new peal of bells ; and from that time signatures, and entries, principally relating to the erection and allotment of seats and the appointment of parish officers, occur frequently. Some of these are formal documents, very correctly expressed ; others, and especially one as late as 1664, are specimens of Gloucestershire dialect and grammar, very rough, but which might probably be paralleled elsewhere at the present day. In 1583 is an entry, “ Paid to the parator, for xxij A. b. c. bookes, xxij^d. ;” these were probably the horn books, which have been lately mentioned in this Society.

The accounts throughout are full of illustrations of Gloucestershire idioms and pronunciation. To the present day, any person or thing, animate or inanimate, a clock, a steeple, a woman, or a book, is in that part of the country, popularly referred to as “ he.” Examples of this peculiarity occur in these accounts ; and also such spelling as “ vull pate,” “ quord,” “ hernest,” “ fant,” “ ven,” “ yran,” “ pillow,” and “ dooare,” words which accurately represent the popular pronunciation of pulpit, cord, earnest, font, vane, iron, pillar, and door.

Nor is popular pronunciation the only thing which appears from these accounts to be unchanged. Very many of the names of the inhabitants which occur in the reign of Elizabeth are precisely those which may be found in this district at the present day. New names occasionally appear, and after a few years pass away, but throughout the accounts there are traces of certain good old Gloucestershire families, which, with occasional fluctuations, kept their station in the middle class. Representatives of many of those families still occupy, in this very district, positions analogous to those of their ancestors. With the assistance of these books and the parish registers, the descents of such families might be traced from the accession of Queen Elizabeth.

JOHN BRUCE.

EXTRACTS FROM ACCOUNTS OF THE CHURCHWARDENS OF MINCHINHAMPTON.

P. 2. This ys the accompte off Jhon Cambryg and Andrewe Haward, churche wardens off Hampton, mayde in the seconde yere off Kyeng P. and M. In the yere off our lorde God M.cccccc.lv.

In primis resewyd off Rych. Webbe and Thomas Dotton, xix s.

off Rych. Webbe for rent, liij s. viij d.

off Rych. Webbe for rent [obliterated]

off Horwad for rent, ij s. vj d.

off Howchyns for rent, v s.

off Baydyngge for rent, v s.

The summe of thys, v li. j d.

THE CHARGES.

Item, payd to Jhon Draper for holde detts, xiiij s. iiij d.

to Jhon Draper for to quarterys, ix s.

for vij li. off wax to make the pascall taper, the faunt taber and makyng, vij s. iiij d.

for the tabars off the awter, v s. vj d.

for a keye and mendyng off the stepulle dore, viij d.

for antyfonar, xvj s. iiij d.

for a skyen for to cower the boke, xij d.

for iiij bossyls of barly to sowe the churche lande, vj s.

for egyng brede and drynke, xij d.

for smoke farthyng, x d.

to Spennell for makyng off the sepulkyer, xij d.

P. 3. to Rych. Rysley for watchyng the sepulker, xij d.

to Jhon Long for watchyng, vj d.

for candylls and pyntes, ij d.

for drynkyns a good ffryday, iiij d.

to alys coke for kepyng the stoffe, ij s.

to Sir Roger for to bokys, ij s. vj d.

to Rych. Rysley for keppeng off the cloke, iiij s.

for a pyxe, iij s. x d.

for wyllam ther makyng the bawryxes [?],^a xvij d.

for showtyng off the bel ropes, v d.

for iij bell ropes and a saunte bel roppe, vj s. vj. d.

for frankynesenns, j d.

for mooyng and rayng [*sic*], ij s.

for the churche rent, iiij s.

at the wysytacyonn, ij s. iiij d.

to pocmore, iiij d.

^a Baldricks for the bell-ringers.

Item, payd to Jhonn Jakys, viij d.

for soder and mendynge the churche ledde, iij s. iij d.

at glosetor a bowth the church dettes, xvj d.

for a borde, vj d.

for haff a ponde of wyer, iij d.

for mendyng off the cloke, iij s.

for candyllys, v d.

to logke [?], iij d.

Item, we mayd off owr ale and ester monye, iij li. xij d.

The sume off owr charges ys, v li. xvij s. iij d.

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ANNO DOMINI 1556.

HAMPTON } Receavyd of John Kembrige and Andrewe Harrold [wardens] of the parishe churche
MONIAL. } of the holye Trinite in Hampton aforesaid, the morowe after the feast of the Natyuyte
of our Lorde in the second and third yere; of the rayngnes of or Soudayne [Lord] and Ladye
Phillippe and Marie, by the grace of God kynge and quene of England, Fraunce, Naples, Jeru-
salem, and Irelande, Defendours of the Faith, Princes of Spayne and Sycyll, Archedukes of Austrie,
Dukes of myllayne, burgundye and brabant, Countye; of haspurge, Flaunders and tyroll,^a That is
to saye:

In primis Thomas Hawke and Roberte Davys have resevyd off Jhon caymebryge and andrewe
horroll in monny, xxxij s. x d.

Item, resevyd xvj. bossyellys off barelly. Item, we hadde at ester xvij s.

The summes off yowr resetes, lv s. x d.

THE CHARGYS.

In primis, to a man that say^b the stepulle, iij s. iij d.; item, payd for a shewrplys, iij s. iij d.;
for iij gyordyllys for the westmentes, iij d.; for wyet lether, and makyng off bawryxes,^c xvij d.;
for barly to syowe^d the churche londe, xiiij s. j d.; for bradde and ale, viij d.; for rayng and mowyng,
P. 5 iij s.; for mending off a coppe, xij d.; for frankynegsens, vj d.; for waxe to make the pastall taper
and the fownt taper, vj s.; for mayng the tapers off the awter, iij d.; for mendyng off the horgons,
xij d.; for mayng off the sepulkeyer, xij d.; for watchyng off the same, xij d.; for a rowppe, xv s.
x d. [*sic*]; to Jhon Pocmore, xij d.; to trowyelle for stonnys xiiij s. iij d.; for a womyne, ij s.; for
a the artykyellys, vj d.; for a Rowdde, xx s.; for bordys and nalys to mende the churche howsse,
xs.; for kyeppynge off the cloke, iij s.; for potyoose, xv d.; for paper, iij d.; for woodde, iij s.;
for mayng a anser at Gloseter, xij d.; to Wyellam forwood, iij li.; to trowyelle for mowyng the
stonnys, xvj d.; at paynewyeke at the wysytecyon ij s.; for candylles, viij d.; for rent to the baly,
iij s. viij d.; to herye pelle, iij d.

^a This enumeration of the royal titles is inserted in a clerk-like hand, very different from the account which follows.

^b Saw, inspected; a church surveyor.

^c Bawdricks.

^d Sow.

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1558.

THE RECETTES.

Item, receyvyd of Radborow, xx s. ; of my lord Bysshopp, xix s. ; of hoglyng monye, vij s. ; of pascoll monye, xvj s. ; summa, iij li. ij s.

Item, made of youre ale with youre gatherynge and alle thynges dyschargeyd, iij li. xvij s. iij d. ; so that we had yn youre handes, vij li. iij d.

- M^d, ower chargeys. Item, payd to John Newman for the makeing of the secound belle whylle ^a new, and for the mendyng of a nother whyell, and for the trussyng of the belles, vj s. viij d. ; for ye nayeles for the same whylle, vij d. ; to persloo for ye yarne ^b work for the same belle, vj d. ; for a pece of tymber for the same belle, xij d. ; to Watter butt and to Thomas barnffield, ij d. ; for viij li. of wax, viij s. ; for makeyng ye Est^r tabar, and ye fovntt tabar, and ye ij tabares of ye avttr, xj d. ; for ye makeyng of ye sepulkar, xij d. ; for pynes and nayelles for the sepulkar, ij d. ; for frankynsence, ij d. ; att the vysytacyon att Stonhowse, ij s. viij d. ; at Glocettur for yornie fyse [*sic*] and chargeys there, xvj s. ; for ij bauñ loges, vj d. ; for ye bene fakettters suppar at the church howsse, ij s. ; for iij bell ropes, vj s. ; for ye bryngyng of my lordes monye from Byssylay, xx d. ; to ales coke for keppynge the church coffar, ij s. ; to Johne Drapper, for hys wagys, iiij s. ; for makeyng to smale surplys, iij d. ; to pockemore for a boke, ij s. ; for a locke and a keye for the myddell shop, vj d. ; for dressyng the ij shoppes with lyme, vj d. ; to Edmund Spenner, for keppynge the cristnyng boke, xvj d. ; payd for the makeyng the ij tabars of the avtter, ij d. ; att ye makeyng off the inventory off the church goodes, for brad and drynke, v d. ; at the vycytacyon att hampton, ij s. iiij d. ; to Pockemore, iiij d. ; for the tabarnakelle, xij s. ; for the mendyng the best surplys, ij d. ; for makeyng a lytyll pelow, j d. ; to the glacyar at hys bargen makeyng for hys hernest, vj d. ; to the glacyar for the mendyng of all the holes yn Androse chappelle, with the olde glace, v s. v d. ; the glacyar for xlij foot off new glace sett yn the wyndow yn Androse chappell, xxxij s. j d. ; to Phylp chamber, for makeyng iarnes bares to the same wyndow, xiiij d. ; to the Kervar att Glocettur, in hernest for the ymmege of the trenytye, xij d. ; to John Newman, for mendyng the grett belle whyelle ij d. ; to John newman, for takeyng vp the therd belle and settyng yn a new boltt, viij d. ; to phylyp Chamber, for makeyng a boltt and a keaye for the same belle, ij d. ; to Walter barbar, for the makyng off ij tabares off the avtter, ij. ; to Rychard ryselay, for the keppynge the clocke, iij s. ; for ij li. of candylle, vij d.
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Summe of youre charge, vj li. xvij s. ij d.

- P. 10. HAMPTON { The accompte of Richard Webbe and Edmond Draper, gardeyne3 of the paryshe
MONIAL. { church there from the Feast of the Natyvyte of our Lorde God anno 1558, for one
yere ended at the sayde feast anno 1559, of all thyssue3 and profettes cummyng and growynge
towardses the parochyoners, as of olde tyme hath byn accustomed, viz. :—

In primis, receavyd of Thomas Cooock and Henrye Cawford, late gardayne3 of the sayd church, in mone remaynnging on theyre accompte as appereth in theyr yere, xij d. ; receavyd more of Phyllippe Dulle, one of the gardayne3 of the chapell of Rodborough, for a yearely stypend due and

^a Wheel.

^b Iron.

- goynge out the sayd chappell to the parochyoners of Hampton aforesaid, xx s. ; receavyd more, callyd hoggelynge money, viij s. ; receavyd more at Ester, callyd pascall money, xvj s. ; receavyd of sundrye of the parochyoners in wheate and maulte, amountynge to the summe of xxij. bushelles, with certayne gyftes by diuers that are no parochyoners as apperethe by a booke there of made by theyre perty-colour namez of which ye made by our ale, all thynges dyscharged, amountynge to the sum of iiij li. viij s. Sum vj li. xij s. wherof to be allowed as appereth on thothere side : for makynge and fecchyng of the tapere at Ester, xij d. ; for poyntes, pynnez, and packe thredde for the sepulture, ij d. ; for makynge of the sayd sepulture and wacchyng of the same, ij s. viij d. ; for two belles ropez, iiij s. ; for viij li. of waxe, vij s. iiij d. ; for the rentes of the paryshe holdes due to the L. Wyndesore in the tyme of Thomas Cooock and Henrye Cawford, ij s. viij d. ; for kepyng of the bookes of chrystenynge, weddynge, and bureynge payed to Edmond Spynner, xvj d. ; for the expensez of the gardeynez of the sayd church and vj. other of the paryshe at the archedeakons vysytacyon, iiij s. ; for pentecoste of olde due in the tyme of kynge E. the vj. and payed to the parsons of Estyngeton, ij s. vj d. ; for mendynge of the bell clapper payed to Wyllam Passelowe, ij s. viij d. ; for the rentes of the paryshe holdes due to the L. Wyndesore for thye yere, ij s. viij d. ;
- P. 12. for kepyng of the clock, payed to Roger Callesborne, ij s. ; for kepyng of the church cheast, payed to Wyllam Foster, ij s. ; for a greate rope for the clocke, iiij s. iiij d. ; for a booke of iniunctyons, iiij d. ; for a booke saruyce and admynestracon of the sacramentes, v s. iiij d. ; for mendynge of the clock, payed to a stranger in the syght of John Newarck, ij s. ; for mendynge of all the church wyndowe; with glasse, xxvj s. viij d. ; for the expensez of the sayd gardayne; and vj. other of the parochyoners at Gloucester at the Queene; generall vysytacyon, iiij s. j d. ; for examynynge of our aunswer there and puttyng the same into the courte, xvij d. ; for the fee of the somner, iiij d. ; for the expensez of the sayd gardeyne; at Gloucester with iiij. other of the paryshe at the exhybytyng of the inventory of all the church goodes to the mayre there and othere, ij s. ij d. ; for makynge of the inventory; and the bookes of chrystenynge, bureynge, and weddynge, ij s. ; for enterynge of the same into the courte, xij d. ; for mendynge of dyuerse of the dreame-holes in the steeple, the church porche, the north syde of the church, and for a peece of tymber payed to John Ingeram, with ij penyworth of nayle; , v s. ij d. ; summa, iiij li. x s. xj d. So remayneth vpon this accompte, with x d., which the parochyoners of the sayd chappelle of Rodborowe must allowe these accomptauntes for parcell of the ij s. vj d. due for pentecost on the tyme of K. E. the vj, as appereth, the summa of xlij s. j d. ; and also one quarter of maulte remaynenge in the handez of Edmond Draper, to be aunswered to the gardayne; of the sayd church at Pentecost next, viz. one quarter of malt.

- P. 14. The trwe accountes of John Myllward and John hawke, made to the parysh of Mynchinhampton the yere of our Lord God 1560 :—

In primis, recewed of Richard Webbe and Edmonde Draper, xlij s. j d. ; of the churchwardens of Rodboro, xx s. ; hoglyng money, viij s. ; ester money, xvj s. ; of edmond Draper, for the charyty money, ij s. v d. ; of edmond Draper, for one quarter of mawtt, viij s. ; of John Colle, for the shoppe, xvj d. ; Jhon Bucchar, for the rentte of the church-house, iiij s. ; of the same Jhon, for the rentt of the shoppe, xv d. . . . The summe of our reccyts ys, v li. xiiij s. ; made of the gaderyng and of our alle, iiij li. x s. Our wolles sum ys, x li. ix s.

Alowans : payed to Jhon yngrom, Jhon newman, and Henry pole for lettynge downe the stanes

outt of the steple, ij s.; for mendyng the church walle, iij d.; for mending the bell-clapper, v s.; for on kye^a for the steeple, on kye for the parlor, an other for the seller dore, and mending of the lokes, xiiij d.; to the glacyar for glasing, xij s.; for bares of yeran, viij d.; for mending of the syrples, ij d.; for fecching the glacyar, ij d.; for mendyng of the fornace, ix d.; for the remouying of the church chest, ij d.; to the plumber, xij d.; to iij. mene for lokyng on the steeple for ther chargis, xvij d.; att the archdecons courtt for chargis, ij s. viij d.; for the makyng of our bylle and the conweyeng of ytt to Dursley, xvij d.; to the glacyar for glacyng, ij s. viij d.; for hanggin of the lytell belle, x d.; for hallfe a hourse hide, xvij d.; for the rent of the church houses, iij s. viij d.; for a pare of bates legges, iij d.;^b for makyng of the bawdrykes, xvj d.; for kepyng the regester boke, xvj d.; for buckells, vj d.; for iij. bell ropes, viij s. vj d.; for vj. crestes, xij d.; for tylle stanes and carage, viij d.; for the byble, xij s. and vj d. for carage; for keping the chuch coffe, xij d.; for a mattoke, xvj d.; for rydding the ledde, iij d.; for kepyng of the chest, xij d.; for bred and wyne, iij s. ix d.; abatement for the falle of the money, ij s. iij d.

The summe of the allowans ys iij li. xij s. vj d.

The summe of our money to be payed ys v li. xvj s.

- P. 16. [Account of Robert Rusher and Richard Trappe, churchwardens, given to the parish on the morrow after the Nativity, 1561.]

Receuid of hogling money, viij s.; at ester in money. xvij s. The soumme of our receits ys x li. xiiij d.

Alowance: Item, to the plumer, xvij s.; for tilyng of the church, iij s.; for mynding of the church housse, xv d.; for tylle, ij s.; for lime, xx d.; for a paraphrasse, viij s.; to the thething man for the pson, v s.; for keping of the church chest, ij s.; for bread and vine at ester, vj s. iij d.; for makyn of a key to thomas barne, iij d.; for mending of the cloke, vj d.; formes and trestills, xij, at my lorde of Caunterbury's vicitacion, viij s.; at the archdecons vicitacion, ij s. viij d.; to Jhon of Horsley for caring of the bille, xij d.; for bread and vine, xj d.; for hopinge of a scealle [?] . . . ; for

P. 17. kepinge of the cloke, . . . ; for mending of the cloke, viij d.; for mending of the bell clapper, vij d.; for on pole of wode, vj d. The somme of the alowanc ys iij li. xix s. iij d. Made of our ale and gederung, v li. ix s., and soo theyr remayneth to be paied too the parishe of Hampton, x li. ix s. vj d.

A remembrance that Mr. Harbert hath not paied rent for the parishe house this yere.

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1562.

Receued of hougling money, viij s.; of money at ester, xv s. vj d.; of Roger cosborne, for the charity money, vj s.

Somme ys xiiij li. xvj s. vij d.

Alowances: in primis paied Roger cosborne, for keping of the clocke, iij s.; to the same Roger, for mending of the glasse wyndoyes, iij s.; for breade and wine att Ester, vj s. iij d.; for the rope at the welle, ij d.; for mending of the belle, v d.; mending of the lockes of the churchhaus, vj d.;

^a Key.

^b Fees paid to the parishioners for destruction of what were deemed noxious animals. For some years foxes were the chief objects of popular hatred, otters, badgers, and hedgehogs succeeded, and ultimately kites, and even jays and pies. The entries upon this subject are innumerable.

- P. 19. for keping of the cheste, ij s.; for hauffe a horsse hide, ij s.; at the archdecones visitatione, vj s.; mending of the clocke, iij s.; for iij barrs of yron, . . . ; for on barre of yron, . . . ; paid y^e glasiars, xxxij s.; lime and woode, xvj d.; for cordis to hange the clappr of the bellis, ij s.; for a hoxe of lether for the baudrickes . . . ; for making of the baudrickes . . . ; for breade and wine the wholle yere, ij s. viij d. The somme of our alowances ys vj li. xv s. viij d.

Made of our gadering and alle, v li. xiiij s. ij d. So ther remayneth to be paid for the use of the parishe of Hampton, xiiij li. xv s. [*sic*] remayning in the handes of Ric. pope, whan he was tenthman, iij s. iij d.

- P. 20. 1563.

Recevid of ester mony, xvj s.; of hogling money, ix s. viij d.; for the chariti money, iij s.; of Mr. Harbert, for iij yere; rent of the parishe house, liij s. iij d.; M^d, made at the gatheringe and ale, v li. xj s.; summa oneris, xxiiij li. xvij s. j d.; e quibus allocatur,

- P. 21. In primis, Thomas Slie, in money, iij li.; paid Ric. Resse, for his comminge, iij s. iij d.; Ric. Resse, dinner and his companie, iij s.; for Phelipe Draper horss mett, xj d.; paid the somner, iij d.; att the bishopes visitacion at Stonhouss, vj s.; at the archdecon's visitacion, iij s.; at the visitacion at Paineswicke, ijs.; pentecost money, xvd.; Thomas Slie, in money, xls.; Thomas Slie, in yernest, vijs.; the plommer, in money, xxjs. iij d.; the clearke, in money, xs.; for meatt and drinke when the stones wer caried, xs.; for a quere of paper for the regester Boke, iij d.; for bread and wine att Ester, vj s.; for bread and vine for the wolle yeare, ij s.; for a Boke of the ij tome of homelies, iij s. vj d.; for a nother Boke, iij d.; for a boke of the first tome of homelies, xvd. Somme is 10li. 14s. 2d.

And so remayneth clere, xiiij li. iij s. xj d.; wherof to be allowed for soldyour's apparell, xvij s.; for lyme, xjd.; for fellynge of wood, xiiij d.; for ij seates and a panne, ix d.; to the glasyer, iij d.; for theyre dynner at the carreage of stone; xx d.; payed to Slye, the masone, vj s. viij d.; to Roger Colesborne, ij d.; summa, xxxix s. ix d.; and there remaineth xij li. iij s. ij d.

- P. 22. 1564.

Receavyd of paschall money, xvjs. vj d.; of Hoggelinge money, xs.; summa totalis hujus oneris, xxij li. xij d.

[The discharge to this account is wanting.]

1565.

- P. 25. In primis, recevyd of Walter payne and edmund draper, late gardeners, xij li. ij s. iij d.; howglynge money, xs.; easter money, xv s.; made of owre ale and owre gatherynge, viij li. xs. vj d.; summa totalis, xxiiij li. vj s. iij d.

Allowances: paid to John hawke, xx li. xij d.; to the plowmmer, vj s. viij d.; bread and wyne at easter, vijs.; for the vysytacyons, iij s. viij d.; for pentecost, xd.; for a belle roope, vj s. iij d.; makynge of m^r. vgnolles seate, ijs.; and for the stone warke, ij d.; for hyngys, vj d.; for bread and wyne all the yere, ijs. iij d.; for the tylynge of the paryshe howse, xjs.; summa totalis, xxij li. vj s. v d. So that there remayneth to be paid to the paryshe in money, xxxix s. xd. Item, thallowance to John hawke for xij wyckes lyng in London for swyt of the merket,^a lvj s. j d.

^a Suit of the market, an application with reference to the market formerly held at Minchinhampton.

carriage of water, j d. ; carriage of bourdes, v s. iiij d. ; for the layenge of the same, x d. ; wyne at Easter, viij s. viij d. ; for Iron barre³, xvj d. ; for our expenses at Gloucester attendynge vpon the Quene³ Majestes commissyoners, xvj d. ; for wyne for the communycantes at seuerall tyme³ in the yere, xxij d. ; c di. of bourde nayles, ix d. ; for oyle and sope, j d. ob. ; for bread for the communycantes, v d. ; a lyne cord for the clock, xij d. ; for bourdes for the churche house, xl s. ; more to the glasyer, xl s. ; to the belle founder, xx s. ; for certain Iron aboute the belle³, x s. ; iij belle Ropes, vij s. ; at the vysytacyon, v s. ; for the couenauntes and obligacyone betwene the parochioners and the bellfounder, ij s. ; for a booke of comene prayer, viij s. ; summa allocationum, x li. ij s.

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1569.

Onus : receavyd in hoggelynge money, ix s. ij d. ; at Easter, in moneye, xiiij s.

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Allocationes : paid for hewynge of wood and carreyng thereof, v s. iiij d. ; for a keye for the church-house seller, iij d. ; for paper, j d. ; for breadde and wyne, x s. v d. ; for makynge the bookes of vermyne, and the makynge and castynge of this o^r accompte, xvij d. ; for bawderyckes for the belles, viij d. ; for makynge the churche house flower,^a iij s. iiij d. ; for the arrerages of Pentecost, or peter pence, for dyuerse yeres, vj s. ; our expenses and other our neyghebouris at the vysytacyon, v s. viij d. ; paid for a booke of jniunctyons, vj d. ; for wrytyng the regester booke, vij d. ; expenses

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at Tedburye before the comyssyoneres, iij s. viij d. ; for wyne, xij d. ; for breadde and oyle, ij d. Summa, iiij li. vj s. vj d.

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1570.

Receiued : in hoggelinge money, 9s. 6d. ; at Easter, in money, 14s. Item, made of our alie and gatheringe, 40s. Summa totalis, 6li. 13s. 6d.

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Allowances : paid for a forme, 6d. ; for the visitation, 3s. 8d. ; for deliueringe of the bill, 14d. ; for an omilye booke, 8d. ; for breade and wine at Easter, 10s. 8d. ; for breadd and wine the whole yere, 18d. Summa totalis, 52s. 9d.

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1571.

Receauid : in hogglinge mony, x s. v d. ; at Easter, in mony, xj s. viij d. Made of our ale and gatheringe, . . . Somme totale, xij li. x s.

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Alowances : payed at Siseter^b the first daye, iij s. iij d. ; paied the next daye at Siseter, iij s. v d. ; payed at Hampton the first daye at the visitacion, ij s. ; payed at Glouceter the next daye at the visitacion, v s. x d. ; for Penticoust, xv d. ; for bookes for our parte, vj d. ; for clothe and the mendinge of the surpluss, iij d. ; bread and wine for whole yeare, xvij d. ; for a bible and a homili, xlv s. ; for incle, ij d. ; for bread and wine at Easter, xj s. Somme totale, viij li. xiiij s.

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1573.

Receyved : att Easter, xiiij s. Made of our ale and gatheryng, xxx s. Somme total, xj li. ij s.

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Allowance : paid att Glocestre for our charges in suyte with Rodbarrowes men, vj s. viij d. ; paid for Pentecoste to the Deane of Avenyng, xv d. ; paid for makynge the stocke howsse,^c x s. ; bread and wyne att Easter, xiiij s. ; for bread and wyne all the yere, ij s. j d. ; paid and layed owte for my

^a Floor.

^b Cirencester.

^c Stocks.

charges in goyng to my lordes counsell, xxxij s. vj d. ; mending the locke of the steeple dore, and mending the dore of the clocke, iij d. ; the ryngars for the Queenes Matie, xij d. ; for makyng the stockes fette, viij d. ; for mending the iron of the stockes, vj d. ; paper for the clarke, j d.

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1574.

Summa oneris hujus computi, viij li. vj s. iij d., inde allocatur: payed for a bell clapper, viij s. iiij ; for breadde and wyne at Ester for the commenyngantes, xij s. ix d. ob. ; expendyd at the archdeacons vysytacyone at Payneswyck, iij s. j d. ; to the sayd archdeacone for Pentecost, xv d. ; to the sumner, iiij d. ; to the ryngers for rynging one the daye that the Queenes Matie enteryd the crowne of this realme, xvj d. ; expendyd at Gloucester apperinge before the Queene's Maite's commysioneres, xij d. ; to the messenger of that court, iiij d. : for delyuering of the bylle there, ij d. ; for makynge the deaske at the pulpytt, x d. ; for breadde and wyne for the communycantes the whole yere, iij s. ix d. ob. Summa allocationum huius computi, iiij li. xiiij s. iij d.

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1575.

Receavyd: more of certayne the inhabytauntes of the parishe for moneye by them gevene for mayneteynaunce of the churche as apperyth by a bylle of the partyculers thereof, xxxj s. v d. Summa, vij li. xix s. iiij d.

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Allocationes: in payed to John Mayowe and John Lyth for pullynge downe, dystroyenge, and throwynge out of the churche sundrye superstycious thinges tendinge to the mayneteynaunce of idolatrye, vj s. viij d. ; for a crowe nett, ij s. iiij d. ; to the turnour for turnynge of the postes, vij s. vj d. ; expendyd at the byshoppes vysytacion, iiij s. viij d. ; to regester and sumner, x d. ; payed to John Bawre at Gloucester for the forfaytinge of the statute of noysome fowles and vermyne lost in the tyme of John Hawkes and Thomas Kembridge, x s. ; expendyd in travelynge aboute the same, xij d. ; makynge of our bylle and exhibytinge therof, xx d. ; to the sumner for peterpence or smoke farthynges sometyme due to the Anthecriste of roome, x d. ; expendyd at Gloucester apperynge before the commysyonere ij. seueralle tymes, iij s. ix d. ; for allowynge the regester booke, viij d. ; to the sumner for ij. fees, viij d. : for bredde and wyne all the yere, xvij s. iij d. Summa allocationum, viij li. ij s. ix d.

M^d that there ys due to the paryshyoners . . . wyth Wylliam Weabb of Avenynge, as the price of the organe case to hym solde, x s. ; also for the seueralle buryalles of Walter Payne, Thomas Kynne, and Rychard Sewelle, buried wythin the churche, for euery of them, vj s. viij d., in thole, xx s.

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1576.

Receavyd of certayne of the paryshoners in moneye by them gevene towards the maynteynaunce of the churche as apperyth by a bylle of the partyculers thereof, liij s. Summa oneris, iiij li. xiiij s.

Allocationes: our charges at the Archebusshoppe of Canterburie's vysytacyone at Payneswyck, ij s. ix d. ; for a book of artycles, vj d. ; for Pentecost money, otherwyse peter pence, sometyme payed to Antecryst of Roome, xvj d. ; for exhibytinge of our bylle, viij d. ; for barres for the churche wyndowes, xvij ; to Wyllm Colbrock, for exhybytinge of our byll to the Commysyoners, xv d. ; for our drynckynge, assemblynge together aboute the same, iij d. ; for wrytyng and engrosynge of the bookes to the vysytoure, iij s. iiij d. ; for ryngenge the daye of the Queene's maiesties

enterynge unto the crowne, whome God longe tyme wee beseche to preserue, ix d. ; for aunswerynge the parishe mattere before the Commyssoneres, iiij s. ; for a booke of Commone prayer, v s. ; for our sommons, xvj d. ; payed and dysbursed for aunswerynge dyuerse faulse vntrothez suggested by Wylliam Halle, Thomas Kembridge, John Hallydaye, John Sandelle, and Richard mallard, to the sayd Commyssyoneres, vj s. viij d. ; payed for paper which ys put into this boke, j d.

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1577.

Receyved of Richerd Barnefeld and harry Dudbridge for a stipend due vpon the chapelle of Rodborowe, beinge due to these accomptantes att the entringe in to owre office, vizt. St. Stevenes-daye, in anno 1576, xx s. ; of the parishoners by them geuen towards the maintenaunce of the churche, xlvij s. Item, more receaved, xij s. Item, more receaved, ij s.

P. 59. Paid Henry Baker for the Ringers att the daye of coronatione, xv d. ; to Stone att the same daye for the ringers and in money, viij d. ; ffrenche for foxes hedes, xvj d. ; att the visitation, ij s. ix d. ; pentecost money, xvj d. ; to the somner, iiij d. ; for the deliuering of the bill, viij d. ; for wine, x s. ; the same, ix s. iiij d. ; for a foxe hedd, xij d. ; for bread, ij d. ; for hattes and cappes, v s. iiij d. ; to Chepstowes bridge, v s. ; to a poore woman to bringe her to Rodborow, iiij d. ; for wine, j d. ; for the writtinge of our accomptes, vj d. ; for the visitatione at pains wecke to Niclas Feld and the curatt, xvj d.

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1578.

Receved the money that was gathred at the Communion, xij s. ; of the parishnors by them giuen towards the mayntynantes of the church, 2li. 7s. 3d. ; made of or Ale, 4li.

P. 63. Payed for pargetynge and tylinge of the church-hows, iij s. ; for vj bushells of lym for the same work, iij s. ; for sices for the same, iij d. ; for setting up of bordes, formes, and trescles, iij s. ; for xj duple sakes of lyme, xj s. ; xxx dayes work to the tylor for tylynge Ansleyes chapell, xx s. ; for doonge to temper the lym, iij d. ; to the quarier for a lod of stones for the porch, ij s. iiij d. ; to the mason for the bartelmentes of the porche, x s. ; for the water tablinge of Anslowes chapele and the bynche of the porch, xvj s. iiij d. ; for making of the dry wall in the churchyard, xj s. iiij d. ; wyne for the communion, iij s. xj d. ; to Roger Colsborn for ix dayes worke, for helping the plumber and gatheringe sande, v s. ; wyne at Ester, xvij s. ; at the deliueringe in of the bill to the chanscler, viij d. ; to the somner and register, xij d. ; p^d to he that toke the ven of ^a the steple, ij s. ; for a cord for the fant, vj d.

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1579.

Receude the money that was gathered at the communion, xv s. ; hoglinge money, x s. ; made of our alle, v li. x s. ; gathred, xvj s. iiij d.

P. 65. Payd to William Parslowe, for remouinge of the minister's seate, xvij d. ; to Roger Colsburn, for his daye's worke, iij d. ; to William Parslowe, for to keyes and on gemoll^b for the cheste, ix d. ; for a rope for the fant, viij d. ; for bred and wyne, xxij s. ; payd at the visitacion, ij s. xj d. Item: the staying of the bill, iiij d. ; to the register, xv d. ; for the deliueringe of our bill, viij d. ;

^a The vane off.

^b A gimmel or duplex ring: see also the account for 1583.

for a horse hid to make baldrikes, ij s.; for a ^vull pate,^a xvj d.; for making of the same, xvj d.; for clothe to make a surplesse, xvj s.; for makinge of the same, iij s.; two bell-ropes, iij s. viij d.; to the ringers for the quen, xvj d.; to William Webe, for mersment^b for the hallow-way, ij s. viij d.

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1580.

Receipts: gathered the hoglyn money, which ys x s. iiij d.; we made of oure Whiteson ale, iij li. v s.

Allowances: layd out at Strowde, when the deane did sitte, xviii d.; expences at the arche-deacones vysitacion at Tedburye, in June, iij s.; ij hundreth and a-halfe of nayles, iij s. ix d.; a twiste of a dore, iij d.; paid to the regester for delyueringe our bille, viij d.; my expences at Gloucester when the foresaid bille was presented, vj d.; for makynge the plowmen drinke when they fot^c tymber to make the belle-lofte, xx d.; the collection mony for chard, ij d.^d; expences upon them that holpe to drawe up the tymber into the tower, xxij d.; oure expences at the Archebyshop of Caunterbury his visytacone at Tedbury, and for other duties, iij s. vj d.; paid to the Regester for delyuering our presentement at the Archebyshop of Canterburye his visytacone, xvj d.; for our expenses at the same tyme at Gloucester, xij d.; to Ryngers upon the coronacone daye, xvj d.; for bread and wyne for the whole yere, xix s. viij d.; for the wrytynge and castinge of this accompt, xij d.

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1581.

Receipts: the hoglyn money, xij s. iiij d.; the money gathered at the comunyon, xvj s.; made of the church ale, cleare and all thinges discharged, iij li. ix s. iiij d.

Payments: our charges at the vysytacone at Tedbury, iij s. v. . . for exhibyting of oure bille at Gloucester, iij d.; paper for the Regester-boke, iij d.; for the boke of consanguinities, iij d.; oure charges at the Archedeacones Courte at Gloucester, the xxiiijth of Maye, xvj d.; our dynners there the same tyme, xij d.; for bread and wyne for the whole yere, xxvj s. x . . . a corde for the clock payse, x d.; gevin to a poore scoller of Oxford, ij s.; for makynge of the walle from Mr. Wynsors garden to the churchestile, xvj s. vj d.; for makinge of the wall from the same style to the Parsonage Close, and for the digginge and cariage of stones, xxvj s.; for a foxe-head, xij d.; for another foxe-head, taken within the paryshe, xij d.

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1582.

Payments: to Slye, for commyng to loke upon the steple, ij s. vj d.; to John Poore, for goynge to Payneswike to the said Slye to wille hym not to come accordinge to promyse, because the paryshe was not at leasure, iij d.; at a syttinge at Strowde before the deane, xij d.; the puttynge vp of our bylle the same tyme, viij d.; for bread and wine at Easter, xix s. x d.; to a mason that came from Mawmesburye to loke upon the towre, his charges, xvj d.; half a horse-hide to make bawdryckes, ij s., at the vysytacone of my lord bysshop, the charges, xxij d.; afterwarde, our charges with the sidenmen at the makynge of the presentemente, ij s.; for a boke of Artycles, geven at the same tyme, vj d.;

^a Pulpit ?^b Amercement.^c Fetched.

^d A collection was made under a Queen's letter dated 26th February, 1578, towards the rebuilding of Chard, which had been lately destroyed by fire. (Strype's Grindal, p. 358, 8vo ed.)

at the same tyme, for pentycoste money for the last yere and for this, ij s. viij d.; to the paratour for his fees for somnyng vs to the same vysytacon and once to Strowd, viij d.; for puttyng vp our presentment at Gloucester, xvij d.; our charges there the same tyme, xvj d.; bread and wine from Easter to Christmas, vij s.; for iij foxe-heads, iij s.; our charges at the Archdeacons vysitacone at Tedburye, for oure selves and the sydemen, ij s. x d.; the Ryngors on the coronacone daye, xij d.; for claspes for the byble, iiij d.; for mendinge the cloke and skowryng the calyver, and mendynge the head peases, ij s. iiij d.; for wryting and castinge of thys accompte, xij d.

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1583.

Receaved: for the hoglyn money, viij s. iij d.; at Easter, at the communyng, xvij s. ij d.; made of the church ale at Witsontide, and alle thinges dyscharged, 1 s.

Payde: to Coper for kepinge the childe, x s.; to the parator for xxij A b c bookes, xxij d.; to masone for fellyng the custome wod, xvij d.; to a scholler of Oxforde, xij d.; at Tedburye, at the vysytacone, iiij s. ix d.; to the Ryngers on the coronacone daye, ij s.; the pentecoste money, xvj d.; payde at Gloucester for a booke of Artycles, xvij d.; our charges at the same tyme there, ij s. ij d.; bread and wine at Easter, xvij s. vij d.; bread and wine since Easter, iiij s. iiij d.; for mending the bell-claper and for gymoldes for the coffer, xiiij d.

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Expended at Gloucester when we mett the parsons aboute the Deacon, vj s. ij d.; to Richard Beane for kepyng the cheast, xvij d.; to Roger Collesborne and others for removynge of the same cheast and mendinge the glasse wyndowes, v d.; to Thomas Slye, for his rewarde and the carreage of his tumbrell, vj s. viij d.; a m^l and di^c of Tyles stones, x s. vj d.; for carreage of the same, xij d.; to Humfrey Mordock and his manne for viij dayez worckynge on Roger Sherman's house, viz., xvij d. by the daye, xij s.; to Christopher Hollydaye, for gatheringe mosse for the ij. iles of the churche, xvij d.; to Wylliam Colletrope, for a creast, jd. ob.; to the pargettour and his man for iiij. dayez worckynge on the churche-house, v s. iiij d.; at the Archdeacons visytacyon, for our charges and others of the parishioners there, iiij s. viij d.; to the Sumner, iiij d.; expended at Gloucester what tyme wee sued proces for the inhabytauntes for deteyninge three yere3 stipende3, ij s. iiij d.; for counsaile there, and optayninge the L. Busshoppe's letter to the sayd inhabytauntes, ij s.; for carreage of the same letter to Rodborowe, ij d.; M^d allowed to Edmond Draper, one of theyse accomptauntes, for moneye by hym layed out, at the request of the parochioners, vij yere3 past aboute the optaynyng of a markett, v s.

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1584.

Received: of hoglyn money, xij s. viij d.; at Easter, at the comunion, xij s. viij d.; for shepes pasture for the churche lande, xij d.; for the barley that we had of the church land, xxv s. vj d.; by collection of the parysheoners towardes the Churche, xxx s. v d.

Paid to the Glasyer of Gloucester, vj s. viij d.; our charges at Strowde, at the sittinge of the deane, xxij d.; the byndynge of the homely booke, x d.; for makynge of the churchehaye style, xij d.; vj bushell and an half of barley to sowe the churche lande, viij s. viij d.; our charges at Tetburye, at the vysitacione of my Lorde of Canterburys vysytours, v s. vj d.; for the wrytyng

of our byll, vj d.; for exhibytinge of our byll of presentement at Gloucester and our charges there, xxj d.; payde for a newe communion booke, vj s. viij d.; payde to the Commyssyoners at tedburye for offendynge the statute for capes, and our charges, vj s.: for a quittaunce and a proclamacone at the same tyme, viij d.; to Gyles Newman, for bread, ij d.; to Mr. Walter Wyndsor, Esquire, for chief rente for the churche-house, iiij s.; to the Ryngers upon the Coronacone daye of the queenes matie, xij d.; to John Newarke for wine, xv s. vij d.; more for wine, vj s. ij d.; for harrowynge of the churche lande, xx d.; for the wryting and casting hereof, xij d.

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1585.

Received: of hoglyn money vj s.; at Easter, at the Communyon, xvij s.; of the paryshoners, by collection, towards the churches, in malte and moneye, xx[vij s. xj d.]

Paid: payde and delyuered to Thomas Kembridge and Thomas Pynfolde towards the soldiers, vij s. viij d.;^a to the plumber for xxvj li. of sowder at x d. a-pounde, xxj s. viij d.; to the plumber for two dayes worke on the leades, v s.; his man for two daies worke, xxj d.; payde for a praire for the Queenes matie sent hither by the chauncelour, vj d.; to Thomas Swayne, for goynge to gloucester, xvj d.; at the makynge of the presentment, the charges of our dynner at Robert Stones, xxj d.; for the wrytinge and makynge of the same presentemente, vj d.; the harowinge of the churche lande, and for the mowynge and thresshinge of the corne, ij s. j d. ob.; for iij bushells of seede barley, v s.; the charges to the Ryngers on the Coronacone day, ij s. v d.; at the Bysshopes vysitacone at paynesweke, the charges of our dyner, ij s. viij d.; the pentecoste money, ij s. viij d.; for a booke of Artycles, viij d.; for the puttinge vp of our presentemente at the vysitacon, vj d.; to the Regester for the receavyng of our bylle of presentem^t, viij d.; the paratour for sommons to the vysitacone, iiij d.; for delyuerynge of our byll into the office, iiij d.; for breade and wyne at easter, xxiiij s.; for breade and wine all the yere followinge, ij s. ix d.; for the wrytinge and castinge of this accompte, xij d.

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1586.

Received: hoglin money, xj s. vij d.; at Easter, of the Communicauntes, xv s.; of the parishioners, as shall appeare by a sedull here vnto annexed, the somme of xlj s. vij d.

Paid: unto Colburne, for kepeing of the clocke, [vj s. viij d.]; unto Colburne, the clerke, for attending on the plumber, xij d.; for Mr. parson's and our charges at Gloucester, being called thither before the chauncelour, iiij s. iiij d.; for the making of our bill, and for putting in the same vnto the Registre, x d.; at Tedburie, in the Archdeacons visitacone, for our dynner and the side menes, iiij s.; unto Mr. Handes, the Regester vnto tharchedeaconn, and unto his Apparatour, xij d.; the pentecoste money, ij s. viij d.; for putting in of our bill to the Archdeaconn, vj d.; payd for two bookes sett forth by the Archebischoppe of Caunterbury, x d.; bread and wyne from Christmas vntill thende of Easter, xxiiij s.; breade and wyne from Easter untill Christinas following, iiij s. viij d.; vnto the Ringers for Ringing, and theire charges on the coronacone day, ij s. iiij. d.; for the byndynge of the booke of Common prayer, viij d.

^a A rate or public contribution for the relief of wounded soldiers.

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1587.

Received: hoglyn money, viij s.; of the communicantes at Easter, xv s.; of the parishioners, by collection toward the churche, xxxj s.

Paid: to the clarke, vj s. viij d.; to thapparatur for return of the bill of recusantes, xvj d.; at the archdecons court for our charges, vj s.; to thapparatur for the articles, xx d.; for bread and wine, xx s.; paid at Gloucester, being summoned thither for the affaires of the church . . .; to the constables for cheptowe bridge and the Jailes money . . .^a

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1588.

Received: hoglin money, xxij s.; of the communicantes at Easter, xxij s.; the clere gaine of the churche ale, iiij li. x s.; of such men as were set to the bildinge of the steple, viij li. xvj s.**; that my Lord Winsor gave, xx s.; of John a Deane, that he gave, x s. vj d.

Payments: to the clarke, for kepeinge the clocke, iij s. iiij d.; for pentecost money, xvj d.; at my lorde bishoppes visitation for y^e booke of articles, y^e apparitour, y^e delyverie vp of our byll, and our expenses there, in all, vj s. x d.; upon them bestowed, which caried poolles^b and stones to the churche, vpon meate and drinke for them, v s. ij d.; for the cariage of poolles, and meate and drinke, vij d.; wine and bread for the communicantes at Easter, xx s.; bread and wyne all the yeare after, vij s. iiij d.; the ringars the Quene's daie, xvj d.; for riddinge of the churche at two tymes, x d.; to the castle, iij s.^c

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1589.

Received: in hogling money, xxiiij s. vj d.; att Ester, att the comunion, xxij s. x d.; made of churche ale at Whitsontyde, iiij li. xv s.

Paid: to William Webb, of the box,^d for tylle and mendynge of the chappell, iiij s. ij d.; to the same, for plasteringe the parlor and the taverne, xij d.; to francis Androws, for mendinge the fornace and layenge a new syll vnder the cychinge^e doore, xxij d.; to the sumner, iiij d.; for the castell, ij s.; layed out att the visitation, iiij s. vj d.: to the plumber for xxx^{ti} poundes of solder, xx s.; to the plvmer for three dayes woork, iij s.; for the makinge of our bill of presentment, iiij d.; to the scolemaster, for writinge this accompte . . .; for bread and wine for the whole yere, xxiiij s.; for stringes for the church boockes, a penie qvord,^f a twopenie trace, a peniworth of threed, and a penie worthe of oyle **; for an otter's head, xij d.; bread and wine, christmas daye, at the comunion, xix d.; to ockepooll, for layinge of the restes upon the towar, xij d.

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1590.

Received: gathered in hoglinge money, xv s.; gathered at ester, at the communion, xxij s. * * ; gathered of malt and money, xlix s. * * .

^a A county contribution for the repair of Chepstow Bridge and the expenses of the county jail in Gloucester Castle. See before, as to Chepstow, the account for 1577.

^b Poles.

^c Towards the support of the jail in Gloucester Castle.

^d The Box, a hamlet in the parish of Minchinhampton..

^e Kitchen.

^f A cord.

Paid: to the pariter at the quarter seachings,^a viij d. ; our dinner and our felowes at the visitation at tedbury, ij s. iiij d. ; for making and presenting of our bill at the visitation, xij d. ; for pentecost money, . . . ; unto the cunstabell of hampton for chypstoo bridge, iij s. iiij d. ; to the high cunstabell of longtree hundred,^b to the vse of the castell, . . . ; ringing for the queene, ij s. iiij d. : for paper for the regester's booke and for oyle, vj d. ; to William Webbe, the tyler, upon a bargin for mosing and tiling and pynting of the church house and pentises, vij s., the which the wether have letten that he cannot do it according to his promise, but shortly uppon a tide he will doo it, and to reaseue, the rest of his mony which wee did bargain with him for it, the which he have gathered mose and layd things a plase . . . ; to gooddy markes, for wine on Cristmas daye, ij s. ; for writting and casting our accounte, vj d.

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1592.

Received: in hoglin money, vj s. viij d. ; gathered in taskinge money,^c xxxv s. 4 d.

Paid: to William Webb, for mousing the churche howse, xvj s. 4 d. ; to the Apparator, for a bill, viij d. ; for mendinge the Boord thothe [?], iiij d. ; expenses in the visitacone, vj s. ix d. ; bestowed in drinke on them that carred stones, xxij d. ; for caringe ij load of stones, xvj d. ; for castle money, vj s. ; for puttinge upp our bill, xij d. ; a bushell of lime, vj d.

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1593.

Receaved: for breaking vp of the churche for Mr. Carpenter's graue, vj s. viij d. ;^d for lead that remained at the coueringe of the churche, xxvj s. viij d.

Paid: for lead to the coveringe of the churche, viij li. xij d. ; layd out at the visitacone in expences, and for a table booke, vj s. ij d. ; for caringe home the wood to melt the lead and bringing it in, xix d. ; for mending John Newarke's way leaffe, broken in wayinge of lead, iij d. ; for stauinge our bill of presentment, iiij d. ; for the presentacone of our Bill, xvj d.

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1594.

Paid: for a precept to Remoue the woman out of the churche porche, vj d. ; Tylinge and pointinge of the churche, and mendinge of the churche yate, xj s. 10 d. ; to Goodwiffe Swayne, for gatheringe of Excrementes for the tiles, iij d. ; to William Coldruppe, for cresses, xij d. ; at Ciceter, for our appearance and deliverie of our bill, ij s. ; for iij foxes heades, iij s. ; for Apparell for the child, iij s. vij d. ; to Adam Painter, for paintinge the ten Commandementes, and other charges, iiij s.

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1595.

Received: for breakinge the churche pavement for the buriall of William Millward, vj s. 8d.

Paid: to the constable of the hundred, viij s. viij d. ; to Henrie Baker, for shoes for the boy, viij d. ;

^a Sessions.

^b The hundred of the county of Gloucester in which Minchinhampton is situate.

^c Query, "the asking money;" money which the parishioners were solicited to contribute towards the parochial expenses.

^d This was the ordinary fee for an interment within the church.

for shirt cloth to William Coldruppe, and the makinge, xv d. ; for knytting a paire of stockinges for the boy, iij d. ; layd out at the visitacion in expenses, viij s. ; for a new Communion Booke and a booke of prayers for the queenes maiestie, vij s. viij d. ; for making our byll, vj d. ; for exhibitynge our byll, iiij d. ; for exhibitynge our byll of Recusantes, vj d. ; for the prisoners in the kinges bench, xij d. ; in expenses at Gloucester, xij d. ; to Mr. Readinge for rent, iiij s. ; paid for the Lame Soldiars, viij d.

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1596.

P. 107. Layd out at Tedburie for pentecost money, xvj d. ; for the Articles exhibited there, xvj d. ; layd out in expences at the visitacone, iiij s. viij d. ; payd to the preacher, v s. ; to the ringars when the Lord Chandoyes came to the towne, vj d. ; for gatheringe mosse, vj s. ; for a bundell of lathes, viij d. ; for eight cresses, xij d. ; to Gregorie, for the bill [of] recusantes, ij s. ; for writtinge our bills of presentment and other bylles, vj d. ; for a grayes head, xiiij d.

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1597.

Laid out at the visitacone, vj s. iiij d. ; paid for a praier book, iiij d. ; for mattes for the parsons seate, vj d. ; for the bill of recusants, ij s.

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1598.

Paid : to gregorie, for presentinge our bylles monthelie, xx d. ; to the same, for exhibitinge of our bills of recusants, ii s. ; to the same, for servinge the churchwardens of Rodborowe with prosses and the fees of the courte, ij s. iiij d. Laid out the visitacion for our expences and pentecost money, vj s. ; foxes heades, ij s. ; a grayes head, vj d. ; to goodwiffe Swaine and Henrie Baker, for ursula Browne and Holmes for ten weekes table, xl s. ; Item, to the same goodwiffe Swayne and to goodwiffe powell, ij s. ; Item, paid to Swaine from the beginninge of harvest vntill Michaelmas, for six weeks, vj s. ; for ij shrowdes, one for him that died in the church purche and an other for Eisame, and for makinge their graues, and to marget mallard and goody Swaine, for . . . , iiij s. iiij d. ; for our charges and our citacon to Gloucester, and the fees of the court, being thither cited for a book of the paraphrase, iiij s. ; Item, paid for a forfeit and not for wearinge of Cappes, iiij s. viij d. ; paid for sendinge in of the articles at Gloucester, iiij d. ; paper for the Register booke, ij d.

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1598.

P. 117. Paid : for ouer Register Booke in parchment, xj s. 2d. ; for the writtinge of the same accordinglie, 10s. ; to Frenche, for iij foxx heads, iijs. ; at Tedburie, for pentecost money and our expences there, vj s. viij d. ; at Gloucester, for the minister and churchwardens, and their expences there, iiij s. iiij d. ; to Aparitour, for our Articles from the Lord Archebishop, xx d. ; to Gregorie, for prosses for the parishe of Rodborow, xvj d. ; for ouer bills of presentment for none recusantes at the Assisses and exhibiting, xiiij d. ; for Cradacke's shrowd, xvij d.

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1599.

Paid : to John Flowar, for keepinge the clocke, vj s. viij d. ; to the said John, for writtinge a copie of the Register booke for iij yeeres, to Gloucester, viij d. ; Gregorie, thapparitour, for exhibiting our

bill, vj d.; for a foxxe head, xij d.; for a nother foxxe head, xij d.; Gregorie, for cariage and deliurye of our bill, xiiij d.; laid out at Gloucester, for deliueringe our bill and our charges and also to Gregorie, ij s.; for gatheringe of mosse . . . ; to a preacher the third sundaie after Easter, ij s.; for a foxxe heid, xij d.; for deliueringe upp of our bill at gloucester, xv d.; for a foxxe head and a graies head, ij s.; for mending the communion table, iiij d.; for a nother foxxe head, xij d.; for a skyn of parchent, vj d.

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1600.

P. 123. Paid: for the maimed souldiars for iiij years, viij s. vj d.; to the preacher, at the request of our neighbors, ij s.; to the Apparitor, for our billes of recusantes, ij s.; to the highe constable, toward the maimed soldiars for one halfe year, ij s. j d.; at the visitacon, for pentecost money, xv d.; for the presentinge of our bill, xvj d.; our expences at the visitacon, iiij s.; to good wiffe halle, for vij quartes and halfe a pinte of wine, vijs. iij d.; for xxiiij^{tie} quartes of wine at Ciceter, xx s.; to George Hill, for bread, xiiij d.; for paper, j d.; more for mendinge the pyne ende tables of the churche, xij d.

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1601.

Paid: for bread and wine, xxviij s.; for an otter's head, xij d.; for making one rafter and a stone crest, xij d.; for iij bushells of malte, ix s.; to the high Constables man, xij d.; ij graies heads, ij s.; for iiij bushells of Lymes, ij s.

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1602.

Paid: for a booke of Statutes, ij s. ij d.; for exhibiting our bill at Gloucester, xj d.; to William Hill, for gatheringe of mosse, xij d.; for writinge the names of Buriall, christeninges, and weddinges, iij yeares, xvj d.; to Gregorie, for the first Bill, viij d.; at Tedburie, pentecost money and our expences at the visitaconn and exhibitinge our billes there, viij s.; to the Constable, for castle money and maymed souldiars, vij s. ij d.; for a brieffe directed from my L. Byshoppe, iij s.; to goodwiffe Hall, for wine to serue the communion, xxxij s. vj d.; paid againe the Castle money and for maymed souldiars, vij s. ij d.; to Gregory, for ij bills more, xij d.; the ringars on the Queenes day, iiij s.; for writing and castinge our accomptes, xvij d.

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1603.

Received: of the Communicantes at Ester, xvij s. x d.; of the inhabitantes towards the mayntenance of the churche, iiij li. iij s. iij d.; Item, for the churche stuffe, for the pewter, xxvj s. vj d.; for the best panne, xxxiiij s.; for the two broches and the payre of rackes, xx s. iiij d.; for the furnace and the other panne, xxxxxv s. iij d.; for the pott, x s.; for a peece of lead of the waite of xix pounds, ij s. iiij d.

Paid: layd out to a preacher, ij s.; for foxe heades and grayes heades, v s.; our expences and paid at the visitation, v s. vj d.; for wine to serve the communions, xxxij s.; for bread for the communions, xiiij d.; for the carriages of lead and expences, viij s.; for the carrage of timber, xxij d.; for nayles, iij s. j d.; for boordes, iiij s. iij d.; for carpenders and masons worke, xvj s. vj d.; for a bowshell of lyme, vj d.; for the cariage of stone, viij d.; to the plummers, for newe lead and the exchainge of

lead, and their wages, xvij li. vj s. ; for the drawinge of the lead up the church, vj d. ; to Gregory, and expences at the Chancellors Court in shewte, &c., ix s. ; to Thomas Ockfort, for keping the bels, . . . ; to wardes the maymed souldiers, iiij . . . ; for wine at Christid, xvij d.

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1604.

Paid the ringars, iiij s. ; the castell money, v s. ; for maimed souldiers, ij s. ij d. ; for wine and for breade for the communion all this yeare, xxxv s. viij d. ; to Gregory, and for our own charges at Tedbury, xij d. ; for the making the church stiele and walle, iiij s. ; to Gregory, for a breffe in printe, iiij d. ; at the visitation at Tedbury, for our charges, articles, and penticost money, vj s. vj d. ; for the keepinge of the clocke, vj s. viii d. ; for the communion booke, iiij s. ; at Tedbury, at the laste visitation, ij s. j d. ; for maymed souldiers, xij d. ; the ringers on Saynt James day, ij s. ij d. ;^a for castell money, v s. ; for a booke of the constitutions and canons, and to Gregory for the warninge thereof, xxiij d.

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1606.

Paid : for wine for the communicantes, vij s. vj d. ; for writting a note out of the register book and for parchment, xvij d. ; to John Gregory for our artickles, xvj d. ; for the presenting of our byll, xvj d. ; for pentecoste money, . . . ; at the visitation at Tedbury in expences, vj s. ; to the high constable for castell money, and for maymed souldiers, x s. ; for the cushian for the pulpet, iiij s. ; for the commandements and the degrees of mariage, xvij d. ; for boordes, and for making of them, and for setting on the tables of the commandementes, xvij d. ; for making a forme at the church howsse, xij d. ; for mendinge of the church-hay wall, xij d. ; to the ringars at Saint James tyde, and one the 24th day of March,^b vj s. viij d. ; layd out at Gloucester, when we wer excommunicated for our not appearinge when wee wer not warned to appeere, vj s. viij d. ; Item, at another tyme we wer warned to appear at Gloucester to answer for that our cushian for the pulpett was not prepared, and ther we payd to the officers and for our charges ij s. viij d. ; Item, wee were warned to apeare before the justices at Ciseter, to answeere to such thinges as we were charged withall, where our expences was xvj d. ; Item, at another tyme, at Strood, we were warned to appeere before the justices, and ther our expences was viij d. ; for mending of the serples, and for cloth, viij d. ; for the carriage of new lead from Gloucester, ij s. vij d. ; for the drawing up of the leades to the upper ruffe,^c xij d. ; for the taking downe of the crosse, vj s. ; for an ocke, ix s. viij d. ; for wine for the communicantes at this easter, xvj s. iij d. ; for a ringe to hange the table of the commandements one, and for mendinge of an yrone for the clocke, iiij d.

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1608 AND 1609.

Paid : William Rimar for work and pavinge, and for mendinge the weather cocke, 14s. ; for two iron barrs for the chappell window, 2s. ; the castell money, and for maymed soulders for a yeare and a halfe, 28s. ; layd out in charges at two vysitations, 21s. ; to Scryvine the somner, 12d. ; for writtinge out of the register for to send to Gloucester, two tymes, 16s. ; for a coard that Rymar hath, 10d.

^a In honour of the new sovereign, James I.

^b The day of the accession of James I.

^c roof.

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1610.

Received for lead sould to the glasser of Strowd, iiij s. vj d.

Laid out att the visitation att Tedbury, ix s. vj d.; more for puting in oure bill of presentmentes, xij d.; for a claper for the grett bell, viij s.

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1611.

Receved of the inhabitance towards the mayntynance of the church, lj s. j d.

Laid out to the visitation att Tedbury, ix s. vj d.; for mossing the church house, xij s. viij d.; for writting the register book, viij d.; for writting a copy of the register book, and for parchment, xvij d.; the ringers, the 24 day of March, j s. vj d.; for the canypy and the pillpit, and the dixt,^a xxvj s. viij d.; to Lidiat to goe to tedbury, iiij d.

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1612.^b

Paid: for two visitations, 18 s.; cunstaple of this hundred for one yeare, for castle money and souldiars, 1 l. 7 s. 4 d.; payd William Skerton for his wages ringing, ringing of the winter bell, for two fox heades, for writing and parchment, and for money he payd for the cloke and timber, 1 l. 5 s.; Thomas Holiday and Thomas Cox for charges they were at at the quarter sessions for answearinge the mearcement of the hie wayes, 10 s.; for making a laft in the Tower for birdes gistes, and for one new lader, and for wronginge the other two, . . . ; for the church bible and caridge, . . . ; for a booke of prayer for the C

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1613.

Layd out at the visitation, 10 s.; for the wethercok, 1 l. 0 s. 0 d.; to answer the court at Gloster twice, 5 s.; for castell money, 1 l. 7 s. 4 d.; to put in our presentments, 3 s.; to put in our presentments, and to make up the money for saint albones, 3 s.; ingrossing the register booke, and send it in the last yeare and now, 3 s.; for wine, 1 l. 7 s. 4 d.

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1614.

Laid out at the visitacyon, ix s.; for a belle rope, 4 s.; att Siciter att the Courte, ij s. iv d.; att Glociter att the court, ij s. ij d.; wight lether, and mending the bathreeicks of the belles, ij s. ij d.; for writting paper, j d.; ropes for the cloke, wier and lede, x s. vj d.; for mending the cloke, x s. ij d.; for writing oure laste presentment and putting it up, j s. x d.; washing the clothes this tow yeares, j s.; the clarke, for helping the bellfoundar when he sett up the belles, ij s.; to the

P. 156. survaier of the church, ij s. vj d.; for vhegoes heds, x d.

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1615.

At the visitacone, and in expences, and at the returne of the visitacone, 9 s. 8 d.; 4 belropes, 16 s. 8 d.; bringing them from bristolle, 6 d.; for 3 dayes work and a halfe for mending the belles, 3 s. 6 d.; to the Clark, for ringing the bell, 13 s. 4 d.; washing the surples, 4 d.

^a Reading-desk.

^b This is the first account all the items of which are entered in Arabic numerals.

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1617.

At the visitacione, 8 s. 4 d.; for winde,^a 1 s. 9 d.; mendinge the wall about the churchyarde, and the stille,^b 6 s. 6 d.; the lord bishopes man, for survaieing the churche, 3 s.; the deliveringe in of our presentmentes, 2 s.; mendinge the beare,^c 1 s.

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1618.

Vizitation, 7 s. 6 d.; next court, 2 s.; for tilling, 1 l. 6 s. 2 d.; for gathering of moos, 3 s.; for caring of two load of tiells, 2 s.; for a ston, and setting of hin up, 2 s. 10 d.; for wien, 1 l. 8 s. 10 d.; for bred, 2 s. 6 d.

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1620.^d

Received of Richarde Deane, for the ould surples, v s.; Paid, for hollon for the surplis, and making, xxxv s. x d.; at the visitation at Tedbury, viij s. x d.; for a communion table, x s.; for mending the great ble [*sic*] iij s.; the parritor, viij d.; the parriter, xvj d.

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1621.^e

Payd for a pulpet cosheon, 7 s. 2 d.; for many wopes heads, 1 s. 6 d.; at a visitation, 9 s. 2 d.; and for fees and expences, being called to Gloucester courte, 3 s. 4 d.; also payd to register for puting in our bell of berieall, carsnenges, and weddenges, 18 d.; for bread and wine, 2 l. 18 s. 5 d.

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1622.

Our charges at Gloucester, iiij s.; to the sumner, for putting in a bill of presentment, and for the fees of court, j s. viij d.; for ringers on the Kinges holidayes, v s.; being called to Gloucester, our charges and fees of courte, v s. v d.; the cervaier of the church, ij s. vj d.; laid out at the visitation, ix s. x d.; for writing the regester bill and parchment, ij s.; to the somner, for deliuering in of the same bill into the office, ij s. ij d.; for a booke of constitutions, j s. iiij d.

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1623.

Paid: for the communion Booke, 7 s.; at Gloucester, for fees at court and our dinners, 2 s. 6 d.; to one that had a passe,^f 1 s. 6 d.; to the parriter, for coort fees, 1 s. 6 d.

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1624.

Payd: to Moses Beaten, for newe castinge of sixe sheets of lead, and for three hundred of new leade, 6 l. 14 s. 8 d.; for wine, 2 l. 12 s. 6 d.; for carrying the lead to Cissiter, and bringing of it againe, 7 s. 6 d.; to William Rimer, for a days worke, 1 s.; to Nicholas Dorbye, for a days worke, 8 d.;

^a Wine.^b Stile.^c Bier.

^d This account is entitled that of "The Churchwardens for the yeare 1619," but it is that of the receipts and payments for 1620.

^e Entitled the account of 1622.

^f A licence to pass from town to town soliciting contributions on the way.

for healping the lead downe, and drawing of it up againe, 1 s. 4 d.; for our denners at Cissiter, 1 s. 6 d.; for a boord to laye under the lead, 6 d.; for coorde, oyle, and candles, and nayles, 2 s.; for a new bell rope, 3 s. 8 d.; to Gloucester, for fees and charges, 3 s. 6 d.; again, 3 s.; again, 3 s.; to souldiers as had passes, 1 s.; for writing the parchment rowle, 1 s. 6 d.; for delivering in the parchment rowle, 1 s. 4 d.; layd out at the visitation, 10 s.

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1625.

Paid: at first visitation at Tedbery, 4 s. 9 d.; for wine, 2l. 14 s. 3 d.; for a payse [sic] roope, 6 s.; for a briffe, 1 s.; for a book to be read in the church in the fast time, 1 s.; for makeing a key and mend the chest, 8 d.; mending the communion tabel, 6 d.; for carrying our presentments and delivering in, 3 s. 2 d.; expences at Glocester, 1 s.; at last visitation at Tedbery, 11 s.

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1626.

To iiij souldyeris that had a brife, 4 s.; for bread and wine, 2l. 17 s.; wine, 10 s. 6 d.; for ij bookes and to delyveringe presentmentes and expenses at Gloster, 8 s. 4 d.

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1627.

Layd owte att Gloucester for the receiveinge of the bill of presentment and a copie of the registers booke, 1 s.; to an Irisheman that had a pass, 1 s.; too souldiers, 2 s.; to the chancelor, and my expences at Gloucester, 2 s.; to a woman that had a pass, 6 d.; for ringing upon the kinges hollyday, 1 s. 2 d.; to the paritour for receiveinge the bill of presentment, 1 s. 4 d.; to a woman that had a pass, 6 d.; to Thomas Wood, for surveyinge of the Church, 1 s.; too souldiers that had a pass, 6 d.; to a man that travelled by a pass, 6 d.; again, 4 d.; again, 6 d.; one pecke and a half line, 1½ d.; ingrossinge of the registers booke, 2 s.; deleveringe in of the coppie of the registers booke, 1 s. 4 d.; too bookes for the faste, 2 s.; bread and wine, 4l. 0 s. 4 d.; layd out a visitacion, 9 s.; another time at Gloucester, 2 s. 8 d.

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1628.

Received: of the inhabitants, towards the repaying of the church, 29l. 14 s. 9 d.

Layd out at the visitacion at Tedbury, for receiving of bill of presentment, and for penticost money, iiij s. iiij d.; at the court at Gloucester, ij s. viij d.; the mason for mendinge the Tower, xvj li.; the plumber, for new lead and casting old lead, vij li. x s.; 21 October 1628, for kings bench and marshalsey for one yeare and a halfe, for distresse and acquittance, i li. iij s.; to poore Irish men and woemen, vj d.; for setting in corball stones, xiiij s.; to a persecuted minister of Alexandria, vj d.; for the transcript, and for making a band, ij s. vj d.; for our dinner at the visitacion, v s.; two bookes for the fast, for receiving the transcript, and apparatours fee, iij s. vj d.; for our bill of presentment, ij s. viij d.; for chardge at Gloucester, ij s.

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1629.

Paid: for penticoste, 3 s.; expences att Cirencester, att Mr. Archdeacons court, 1 s. 10 d.; for delivering a bill of presentment, 1 s. 4 d.; delivering in at Gloucester two billes of presentment, 2 s. 8 d.; expences at visitacion at Tedburie, 9 s.; a matt for the pulpitt, 3 d.

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1630.

Layd out att Tedburie, att the visitacion, 10 s.; for penticoste, 2 s. 8 d.; to Edward Addames and Gyles Masson, high constables, for the kinges prison and marshaldrie, castle monie, and mayned souldiers, 1 li. 17 s. 8 d.; to three ministres, 4 s. 6 d.; for too prayer bookes for the queenes safety, 1 s.; charges at Cirenster, att the Archdeacons courte, 3 s.

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1632.

To tooe brifes, 1 s. 7 d.; for a table of consanguinitie and frame, 6 d.; for ringing the eight a clock bell, 5 s.; more for a brife, 8 d.;

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[In the year 1633, there are the first entries respecting the appropriation of sittings]:—

Memorandum that, in the yeare 1633, Jeremie Buck, se[nior,] ded, at hes owne proper cost and charge, build two seates for himselfe and his succeeding posteritye on the north side of the churche of menchenhampton, next aboue the seate of Mrs. Joane Fletcher; and ded geve vnto the Churchwardens then, for the rome wheron these two seates stande, two shillinges of currant moneye, and this we, the churchwardens, whose names are vnderwritten, doe allow of.

STEVEN WOOD, and

CHARLES PYNFOLD.

Memorandum that, in the year 1633, Mrs. Joane Flatcher did, att her owne proper cosse and chargis, erected and bilt a new seate for her self and her daughter under the north syde of and in the parrish church of Minchinhampton, to bee and belonging unto her dwelling house neare the crosse in Minchinhampton aforesayd, next adjoyning to Jeremy Buckes new seate theare erected. This a loued of by wee,

STEVEN WOOD, &

CHARLES PYNFOLD, Churwarden.

[In the same year 4 persons paid 5 s. “a man” to the churchwardens “fore the next seate, except one, as wee cum in att the possian^a dore, for they and every of them and theyre eyres for euer.”

In 1635, 4 persons paid 12 pence for a new seat, erected on the right hand of “the presession dore.”]

1633.

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Payd: for a corde of wood, 8 s.; for one dayes woork for the church, 6 d.; for 2 bell ropes, 5 s. 4 d.; for penticost and the booke of artickells, 2 s. 8 d.; the vesitor of the church to see the repara-tions, 2 s.

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1634.

Payed: for the booke of artickells and penticost, 2 s. 8 d.; to Roger Purdey, for casting of the fue new belles, and the timber, with the macking of all the new frames and all other the appurtenanties belonging to the belles and frames, except the ropes, 60l.; Mr. Taylor, of Bristoll, for ropes, 8 s.; for two hundred pounds of mettell for the belles, 10l. 12 s.; for wrighting of the rate

^a Query, ‘procession;’ the door used on occasions of the old ante-reformation processions round the church.

for the belles, and the parchment, 2 s. 6 d.; Mr. Brothers, for macking of the bond and covenants for purdey, the belfounder, to performe, 2 s. 6 d.; our expencis at Bristoll, when wee bought the mettell, 5 s. 2 d.; the carrig of the mettell from Bristoll to Horsly, and our horse heyer, 9 s. 4 d.; chargis att Horsly for meate and drinke for oure selves when the belles weare cast, and att the fetching of hem home, 8 s. 9 d.; for the booke of cannons and consitions, 1 s. 4 d.; for mending the surplis, and the cloth, 1 s. 6 d.; for riding of the Tower, 4 s.; for j lock for the Tower dore, 2 s. 6 d.; for mending of the Clocke, 1 l.; mending of the Church windowes, 18 s.; 4 bushells of line, 2 s. 8 d.; our expencis when wee went before our Lorde Bishop, being sent for by prosses, 7 s. 10 d.; for the destroying of noysum foule and varments, 14 s.; for bordes, matting, and markeing of the seates att the lower end of the church for the offecers to sitt in, besides the 20 s. that Francis Manning [and three others] payd for the foremost of the two, 7 s. 4 d.; for the parrator, for the boooke of libberteyes, 4 d.; for ringing of the 8 aclock bell, 8 s.; for ringing the Gunpouderson day, 3 s.; macking of the cover of the beare and the timber, 4 s.

[Lord Windsor contributed 10 l. towards the new casting of the bells. The following undertaking occurs at fol. 186]:—

I doe give, out of my rents of minchinhampton, to bee payd by my bailife of that maner att the next receipt, toward the mackinge and new castinge of the belles in y^t church, the some of ten pound; in wittnesse whereof, I have sett to my hand this 15th day of may, 1633.

THOMAS WINDESOR.

P. 190.

1635.

Received: for breaking up of the church for Hancockes grave, 6 s. 8 d.

Layd out at Painswicke, for my expencis for placing apprentices, 1 s.; Payd at Gloucter, for two severall times, for our fees and our expencis, 12 s.; for the booke of Homilies and for the booke of Canons, 7 s.; for the pulpett cloth, 1 l. 17 s. 1 d.; for a flagon for the communion table, 12 s. * * ; for a briffe for fier, 6 d.

P. 191. Allowance of a seat “next the middle ally.”

[From 1634 there is a continued annual entry in the receipts of, “Receaved of the rates,” or “upon the rate.”]

P. 192.

1635.

Receved: of the rate, 13 l. 19 s. 8 d.

Paid: for makeinge a terriall of the glibe lands, and caringe it in, 3 s. 5 d.; at Gloucester court, for expences and fees, 3 s. 2 d.; the 2^d tyme, for expences and fees, 4 s. 6 d.; the 3rd tyme, for expences and fees, 1 s. 7 d.; the 4th tyme, for expences and fees, and the sydesmens charges there, 9 s. 4 d.; the 5th tyme, for expences and fees, 4 s. 4 d.; at visitation, the 17th November, 12 s. 1 d.; to the vissitor of the church, 5 s.; for washinge and paintinge the church, 5 l. 17 s. 3 d.; for rayleinge the chancell, 1 l. 7 s. 8 d.

P. 193.

1636.

Received: upon the rate, 43 l. 0 s. 2 d.

Paid: at the visitation, for fees and expences, 15 s. 6 d.; for fees and expences at several courtes, 1 l. 2 s. 2 d.; ringers, on the 5th of November, 4 s.; on the kinges birth day, 1 s.; for the bookes

for the fast, 2 s.; given to two souldiers, vppon the Lord Windsors motion, 1 s.; given Tho. Newell, being sick, 6 d.; a poore gent., by Mr. Fowlers approbation, 2 s. 6 d.; to a Scottish gent. with a passe, having lost 800 l. p. fire, 2 s.; to three Irish gentlewomen, 1 s.;^a the booke of Comon praier, 8 s. 3 d.; the mendinge of the pulpitt, 1 l.; to Rich. Helder, for buildinge and mendinge and stone for the porch, 2 l. 5 s. 8 d.; a labourer to help him, 9 dayes and an halfe, 7 s. 1 d.; for pulling downe the porch and for leadd, 1 s. 9 d.; mending the church path, 8 d.; the booke of Cannons, 1 s. 2 d.; to the plomer, 30 l. 10 s.; divers workmen, who wrought with the plomer att all tymes, paid 1 l. 8 s. 1 d.; to Wm. Barnfield to helpe the plomer, one day, 1 s.

P. 198.

1637.

Receved: upon the rate, 13 l. 11 s.

Paid: for a hood, j li. 1 s. 8 d.; for the new seate, 3 l. 2 s.; for writinge the trancescripte and for parchmente, and for keepinge our acomptes and castinge of it upp, 10 s.; at Ester session, for takinge of an indightmente, x s.

P. 200.

1639.

Laid out: at visitation, 10 s. 10 d.; att Dursley, 2 s. 4 d.; for charge a Dursley, 1 s. 8 d.; for deliveringe in the transcript, and for the booke of articles, 1 s. 2 d.; laid out at perambulation, 1 s. * *.

P. 201.

Received: for bread and wine in the yeare 1638, 4 l. 13 s. 6 d.; Do., 1639, 4 l. 12 s. 5 d.

Laid out for the kings prayer, 4 d.; at perambulation, 3 s.; for charge at Painsweeke, 1 s.; for ringinge the 5 of November, 1 s. 6 d.; for the kinges proclamation, 4 d.

P. 204.

ACCOUNT from 1639 to 1646.

Att the visitation at Tedbury, 13 s.; gave the parritor, 8 d.; gave to a greate company of Irish, 4 s.; for ringing the bell to holiday, 10 s.; for bread and wine, more then was receiued in foure yeare, 2 l. 10 s.; for a new bell wheele, 13 s.; for killinge of vermintes at times, 2 s.; for a bell roope, 3 s. Summe laide out is, 9 l. 18 s. 9 d.

Received of the inhabbitance, 4 l. 8 s. 4 d.; the like, in the yeare 1646, 5 l. 0 s. 8 d.

1647.

Att the 4 Sessions, 1 l. 9 s. 4 d.; paid the clerke, towards 3 or 4 years wagges, 1 l. 4 s.; for bread and wine, more then wee gathred, 1 l. 8 d.

P. 207.

Another ACCOUNT for 1646.

Rec^d of a rate, after 6 monethes of the poore, towards repaire of the churche: Imprimis, in the circuit of Hide, Chaford, Bourne, Brimscomb, and that side the parish, 4 l. 7 s. 10 d.; Item, in the circuit of the towne only, 4 l. 3 s.; Item, rec^d upon a second rate, after 6 monthes of the poore, towards repaire of the church, 9 l. 9 s. 6 d: toto, 18 l. 0 s. 4 d. This rec^d by me, Jere Bvck. Rest of this last 6 monthes to be gathered by the next churchwardens, it beinge by goode men, 1 l. 15 s. 8 d.

^a There are many other donations of this class during this and subsequent years.

The rest part of the parish, being Forwood, Longford, Nailsworth, Sinclo, &c. was gathered by Edward Pinfolde, the now churchwarden, &c.

P. 208. Payd: Richard Latham, for 7 dayes, with a man, 14 s.; the wheleman, for 2 wheles, &c. [for the clock], 1l. 5 s.

P. 209. ACCOUNT for 1648 and 1649.

Payed: constable of the hundred for the quarter sessions, 2l. 0 s. 3 d.; charges of law betwixt Rodburrowe and us att severall times, 2l. 1 s.; to poore travillers, to helpe them on their journeys, 17 s.; three bell ropes, 13 s. 2 d.; three warrants to the justices clarks to distraine, 3 s.; for setting of the pulpitt in repayer, 2l. 13 s.; the plumber for his lead, souder, and worke, 7 l. 15 s.; to a poore widdow, 6 d.; to a poore minnister, 2 s.; poore Irish people, 3 s.; 3 poore soldiers, 1 s.; a poore minnisters wife with a childe, 2 s.; a poore widdow and 4 small children, 1 s.; to a minnister's wife out of the West Indes, 2 s.

P. 210. 1650.

Payed: to the high constables for the kings [*sic*] bench and marshalsy, 1 l. 12 s. 6 d.; towards the house of correction, 14 s.; the ringers ringing upon thanksgiving day, 8 s.; to the joyner and the smith for the new beare and mending the ould, 1l. 19 s.; for j table cloth, 8 s. 6 d.; for the burying of the straining man, y^t dyed in y^e feilde, 1 s. 6 d.; for mending of the church bible, 12 s. 8 d.; Francis Maning for his cushing, 2 s. 6 d.; the justice clark for conviction warrants, 2 s.

Rec^d for one grave beeing made in the church, 5 s.

P. 216. 1651.

Payd: the upper bench and marshallsy, at the fower quarter sessions, 1l. 14 s. 8 d.; towards the new bridewell at Gloucester, 13 s.; Charles Pynfold and Nathaniel Webb for theyr charge, and gettinge an order from seshions for Rodbrough, 13 s. 4 d.; for a second order about the same buyshes, 2 s. 6 d.; for expence at severall seshions about Rodbrough, 1l.; attornies fees, twice, 6 s. 8 d.; five new belropes, 9 s. 8 d.; for a new wethercock, 2 s.; for ringinge the bell at 4 and 8 aclocke, the winter quarter, 8 s.; for stones, and makinge a chimnie in the chansell for the scoole, 6 s. 3 d.; pay for the poore, &c., 1l. 16 s.

P. 218. 1652.

Paid: Thomas Avery, the plumber, 20l. 9 s.; for the scaffolds, 1l. 11 s.; for a cay for the chest, 1 s. 4 d.; for an ell of cloth, 1 s. 3 d.

P. 220. 1653.

Paid: for a kay for the church dore, 1 s.

Received: of Richard Davis, due to us from Rodborow, 5l.; of Edward Arndell and Will. Perrie, for breaking open the church,^a 12 s. 8 d.

P. 222. 1654.

Paid: at the 2 sessions, and for an order concerninge Rodborows busines, 9 s. 6 d.

^a i. e., breaking up the pavement of the church for an interment.

P. 224.

1655.

Payd: for ringing of the winter bell, 15 s.; to 2 poore men that had the great seale,^a 2 s.

P. 227.

The 29^o day of September, 1657.

By the consent of the minister and others the parishners of the parish, the difference betweene Danniell Gilman and Anthony Keene, concerning the seate, was heard, and Anthony Keene had notice by Henry Elshew to bee here, and wee find the seate to bee Long to Danniell Gilman and others, and that the seate bee set in the same forme as formerly, to pas cleane through the seate.

P. 230.

1657.

Payd: to the high constables for the kings [*sic*] bench and marshalsy, and maymed soldiers, for the whole yeare, 1 l. 14 s. 8 d.; for one book called an Act for the better observation of the Lord's Day, 1 s.; the ringer for ringing on y^e 5^o of November, 2 s.

P. 232.

1658.

Payd: for y^e Kings Bench, &c., and ringing on the 5th November, as before; by the consent of the parishners, to a poore minnister, 5 s.; to poore distressed people that weare travellers all the last yeare, 5 s. 4 d.; at Middsummer Sessions, for one order 2 s. 6 d., and oath 4 d., and 14 d. spent about Rodburrow, 4 s.; to Sargent Minor for his counsell, j li., concerning Rodburrow busines, 1 l.

Receaued of Mr. Sam. Sheppard, from the sessions, as conviction money for profaning of the Lords day by Robbert Woodroff and Edward Trevis, the somm of 6 s. 8 d., and this money payd, to the Widdow Mills, 2 s., and to various other persons in smaller sums.

P. 234.

April 23, 1660 [misplaced].

Appointment by the parishioners of John Horrell to be parish clerk, "hee to ringe the bell for the winter quarter as usuall."

P. 238.

1660.

Paied Thomas Smith for makeing the Communion Table, 4 s. 4 d.

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1661.

Payd: Richard Bayly, for payntinge the kinges armes, 2 l. 15 s.; for two acts of parliament and prayer bookes, 3 s. 10 d.; the ringers, coronasion day and gunpowder treson, 5 s.

P. 242.

1662.

Charg at the two visitations and dinners, 8 s. 10 d.; a table of consanguinitie, 1 s. 3 d.; a common prayer booke, 10 s.; an houer glass, 8 d.; remouing the font, with the lime and stone, 8 s.; for the clarke sete, 9 s.; pentecost money, with charg about it, 4 s.; 39 articles and the cannons, 1 s. 6 d.; charg about the lecture, 1 l. 10 s.; bread and wine for the communion, 2 l. 9 s. 5 d.; binding the register boocke, 2 s. 6 d.; painting the diall, 2 s. 6 d.; the paritor, for a booke, 6 d.;

^a An order or pass under the great seal.

2 plates for the communion table, 2 s. 3 d. ; 10 eles of Holan for the surplis, 3 l. ; making, washing, and bringing the surplis, 12 s. 6 d. Total, 18 l. 5 s. 1 d.

Rec. of the inhabitants by rate, 22 l. 4 s. 6 d.

P. 246.

1663.

Payd : at visitation to the register and fees, 3 s. 4 d. ; the parrator for his fees, 6 d. ; the Archdeacon for pentecost, and the acquittance, 1 s. 4 d. ; for the booke of artickles, 6 d. ; beare for the ringers, the 29th of May, 1663, 1 s. 6 d. ; for a hood, 1 l. 12 s. 4 d. ; the parrator, for 2 proclamations, 1 s. ; ringing, 5th of November, 1 s. 6 d. ; wrighting out of the register booke for 4 yeares past, 4 s. ; for board, and for mending the possession doore, 5 s. 6 d. ; for one bell rope, 5 s. 4 d. ; for 1 yeard of rebbond for Jonathan Harris his child, that haue the kings evill, 5 d.

P. 248.

1664.

Payd : 2 silk stringes for Jonathan Harris his boy, 7 d. ; the high constables att the 4 quarter sessions, for the kings bench and marshalsy, 2 l. 12 s. ; a silke stringe for Josiph Mayoos childe, 3 d. ; 2 belropes, and carridg of them, 6 s. ; for beare for Hiller boy, being sick of the pox, 10 d. ; the parrator j booke for the fast, 1 s. ; John Horrell one dayes work, 1 s. ; a new vane for the clock, 5 s.

P. 249.

Memerandom, in the yeare 1664 ; That I, John Manning, of the parish, hath ereckted And bilded Won seat, vpon his own Cost And charg, for his wife and famely, or Aney wothr persons As him shall plase ther Being, and having The Anchent Rite And Titell to that seat. This seate standing and gooying to the pillow That stand Neare vnto poorch Dooare vpon the Lift hand As wee doe com in, and soe Recheth from that pillow to the vant in that Allow ; this consented And granted and plased By the Churchwarddons.

P. 250.

1665.

Payd : at the visitation to the Register for the penticost, the booke of articles, an oath, and other fees, 7 s. 8 d. ; expences at visitation, 6 s. ; for to silke stringes for to children,

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1666.

Payd : the high constable towards the setting vpp the beacon, 6 s. ; the ringers for ringing uppon the thanksgiveing day, the 23rd day of August, for beateing of the Duch,^a 2 s. ; Thomas Jenkins, for mossaing the Ile, and the Clarke for helping of him, 6 s. ; towards the mending of Chepstows bridge, 13 s. ; for wall plates, 30 foot and $\frac{1}{2}$, att 6 d. a foote, 15 s. 3 d. ; 70 foote of Jyests for the leades, att 2 d. a foote, 11 s. 8 d. ; ringing on the kings holliday, 3 s. 6 d. ; for the beaken, 2 s.

P. 257.

1667.

Paid : for ribbond for a poore child y^t had the evill, 9 d. ; to a poore minnister, 2 s.

^a The destruction of a fleet of merchantmen and the town of Brandaris in the island of Schelling, by Sir Robert Holmes.

P. 260.

1668.

Julij 15, Giuen unto James Aingell, a pore man, whose lose was certified for him from the com^{rs} att Westminster to be 7000l., 2 s.; the same time, given unto Mārgret Lambert and Mary Ashton, widdows, theyer lose by theyer certificat 2000l., 2 s.;^a to the parrater, for a booke and fees, 5 s.

P. 262.

1669.

Payd : att visitation for fees of the court and our dinner, 1 l. 1 s. 6 d.; the booke of articles, 6 d.; for a silke string for Joseph Mayo's daughter that hath the Kinges evill, 7 d.; the 5th November to the ringers, 2 s.; for 5 ropes for the bells, 1 l. 4 s.; the cunstable for the 4 quarter sessions, 2 l. 12 s.; mending of the dyall over the church porch, 6 d.; for one bell wheele, 14 s.; for one hour glass, 1 s.; bred and wine at the sacraments, 2 l. 6 s. 2 d.; for parchmen to make the transcript, and the rate, 1 s.; for wrighting the transcript and the rate, and makeing upp of all our accompt, 7 s.

Received upon the rate of the Inhabitants, 11 l. 19 s.; at the time of receauing of the Sacrament towards the bred and wine, 13 s. 10 d.

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Mamorandom : thatt y^e Geallery in y^e Church of Minching hampton was bilt in y^e year 1670 by William Nickolls and George Smalle then Churchwardens, att thair owen propper cost and charges, And is for thair owen ues And thos whom they lett it vnto for ever,

(signed)

WILLIAM NICKOLLS

GEORGE SMALLE

} Churchwardens.

September the first day, 1671: Reseued of Samuell Barnfield y^e some of twenty shillings in full, being for y^e purches of rouse for to persons to seite in the seakond saett att the coming into the gallery in Hampton church of the right hand, and is to be his riet for ever.

Witnesse my hand,

GEORGE SMALLE.

7th June, 1680: sale to John Fowler, broadweaver, of "two seat roomes in the gallery at Hampton, in the backermost seat."

P. 264.

1670.

Paid: the constables for the repairing of the bridges, 9 s.; for presentments, and a booke of articels and other fees, 7 s. 8 d.; for a new comunion table, 16 s.; for a cerpet cloth, 1 l.; for ringing, crownashon day, 3 s.; a bell rop, 4 s. 6 d.

P. 265½.

May the 12th, 1672: receued of the Churchwardin for the breife of Ligrave in the pish of Luton in the com. of Bedford, 9 s. 8 d. ob.

WILLIAM PALMER, Collector.

P. 266.

1671.

Payd: Francis Maning, for a dayes woork wth plow, and for ale 6 d., 6 s. 6 d.; washing the surplis three times, 4 s. 6 d.; the parrater, for a boock consarning a fast day, 1 s.

^a Losses by the Fire of London.

P. 270.

1672.

Paid: Edward Filder, for making the clock, 3l. 6 s.; item, paid for lead and soldering, 2l. 18 s.; timber and carpentry for the clock, 7 s.; washing the surplus, 4 s. 6d.; setting up the desk in the chancell whereon the two books are chained, 8 d.; a booke of articles, 1 s.; for the apparitors warrant, 1 s.; five new bell ropes, and the carriage, 16 s.; a riband for Joseph Mayers daughter, 5 d.

P. 272.

1673.

Ringin on the king's holiday, 1 s.; the book of articles, 1 s.; a napkin, 1 s. 10 d.; a bason, 5 s.; a book for the fast, 1 s.

P. 274.

1674.

Rec^d.: for money gathered for a briff of Benending,^a gathered before, 18 s.

Spent: att visitation, many of the chiefe of the parish thear, 18 s.; for court fees, 7 s. 6 d.; gave Thomas Bingle, att Bath, 2 s.; for timber to stock the great bell, to Sam. Cambridge, 6 s. 6 d.; Iron worke, and other worke about the bells, 11. 3 s. 8d.; on dier for new stocking the great bell, his work, 11 s. 6 d.; more for Iron worke about the bells, 11 s.; pore travelers, and or. owne pore, per Jo. Iles, 8 s. 5 d.; a days worke in the Tower, 1 s. 6 d.

P. 276.

1675.

Payd: to seuerall pore people of our parish, 3 s. 6 d.; for redeeming Perrins goods and his carriage to London, 10 s.; for a comon prayer booke, 12 s.; to the parator for a proclamation, 1 s.; to a breefe, by consent of the parish, that was not gathered, 3 s. 6 d.; for the exchanging of a bell with the inhabitants of Beverstone, 7l. 19 s. 3 d.

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	Ct.
The bell that was bought at Beverstone wayed	9 0 14
Our bell that they had for him waighed	8 2 5

0 2 9 more than ours by waight,

so wee must pay for 65 li. waight of mettle, att 9 d. per pounce, is 2l. 8 s. 9 d. To pay for the exchange, 13 s. per cwt. 8 cwt. and $\frac{1}{2}$ att 13 s., 5l. 10 s. 6 d. Total, 7l. 19 s. 3 d.

P. 282.

1676.

Payd: to a briffe, not gathered, and toward 2 houses burnt, and on Longhop, 12 s. 2 d.; for Leade for the church, 10 s.; for putting it onto Trevite, for carrag, and for him and for plaistring over the gallery and washing, about the bushupe, 14 s. 6 d.; Mr. Edward Barnard, for setting broken bones for the yere, 1l.—his sonn, Mr. John Barnard, for setting Hillers shoulder, 6 s.; seven yard of linsy woolsy to hang the Bishopes seat (left it with the next churchwarding), 7 s.; washing the surplis, 2 s.; bindinge the Church Book, and putting in more paper, 3 s. 6 d.; for worke about the bells, 14 s. 4 d.; for settinge up a seate for the Bishop, 19 s. 8 d.: carrage of the bell from Beverston, 5 s.; for belropes, 1l. 8 s. 6 d.

^a The church of Benenden in Kent was destroyed by lightning on the 29th December, 1672.

- P. 285. Mr. Nathaniel Ridler of Chalford, in the parish of Bisley, deceased the — day of — 1677, in his last will gave 40 s. to the poore of the parish of Minchinhampton, and was disposed of those persons underwritten. The names follow.
- P. 290. 1677.
Paid two [*i.e.* to] traveylers, 11 s. 2 d.; two Samuel Aldrige, his house being burned, 4 s.; the boooke of homillis, 10 s.; a booke for keepinge of y^e fast, 1 s.; to Wooten, for y^e fire, 7 s.; Brian Hathen, for warning straingers that come into our parish, 5 s.
- P. 294. 1678.
Paid: for a booke to enter y^e burials in woollen, 2 s.; matts for y^e chansell, 3 s.; Mr. Williams, that preached here, 10 s.; y^e parreter, for to prayer bookes and proclamations, 3 s.
- P. 301. 1681.
Given to 5 briffes by hand, 12 s.; for a boock, and his magestye declaration, 1 s. 6 d.
- P. 302. 1682.
Paid: for a new sillver bowell, and for chaying y^e ould one, 4l. 12 s. 6 d.; for chainging y^e puter pllates, 1 s. 2 d.
- P. 306. 1683.
Pd. for a regester booke, 10 s.
- P. 312. 1686.
For the repairinge of Cainsomes Bridg,^a 13 s. 4 d.
- P. 316. 1687.
Paid to the poor of the parish, and for ribbon, 1l. 8 s. 2 d.; for a common prayer book, 10 s. 6 d.; for the proclamation, and book of thanksgiving for the Queen, 1 s.
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P. 1. 1688.^b
To the poor of the parish, and for ribbon, 1l. 5 s.; for cutting of ettles,^c 1 s.
- P. 5. 1689.
For strings for those that had the evill, 7 s. 4 d.
- P. 7. 1690.
Strings for the evill, 4 s. 8 d.
- P. 11. 1691.
For the kings armes and pointing the church, 6l. 6 s.; the frame of the kings arms, ironwork, and scavolds, 2l. 14 s. 2 d.; the parriter, for three prayer books, and a process, 4 s.; the pulpit

^a Keynsham.

^b From this time the accounts were entered in another book.

^c *i.e.* nettles.

cloth and cushion, lineing, flocks, gagoon, looping and makeing, 9l. 7 s. 6 d.; the candlestick, 3l. 5 s.; mending the communion table, 3 s.; bell ropes and a line for the candlestick. 1l. 1 s. 6 d.

P. 13.

1692.

Ribbons for the kings evil, 5 s. 3 d.; the ringers for the victory at sea and Gunpowder treson, and a day of thanksgiveing, 19 s. 2 d.; a new clock and watch, and all things belonging to it, 14l. 18 s. 8 d.

P. 17.

1693.

For casting the Bell and for the claper, 28l. 15 s. 6 d.; ribbon for the kings evill, 1 s. 1 d.;^a for Chepsters bridge, 6 s. 2 d.

P. 19.

1694.

Towards the redeeming 6 men from the Turks, 3 s.

P. 28.

1697.

Ringing at the proclamation of peace, 5 s.

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1701.

For wine at the proclaiming the queen, 8 s.

P. 52.

1706.

Ringing for news for the battle at Ramillis, 7 s. 6 d.; at the Thanksgiving for the Union, 5 s.

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1713.

Ringing for the peace, 10 s.; when pease was proclaimed, 10 s.

P. 84.

1714.

To the Shrieifs Debuty at the proclayming of the king, 1l. 10 s.; wine, bear, and sider at the same time, 2l. 3 s.; the ringers the same day, 12 s.; the Trumpeter, 1 s.; for bilding of a stage at the kinges coronation, 10 s.; for Notts for the Shreife and his men at the proclaiming of the king, 2l. 11 s. 4 d.; ringers at the landing of the king, 13 s.; at the coronation, 17 s. 6 d.; on the thanksgiveing day, 17 s.; the musissioners at the coronation of the king, 7 s. 6 d.; ringers on the 5th November, 10 s.

^a These entries of ribbons for the evil are continued up to 1736.