Notes and Documents

ROBERT OF BAMPTON.

IN the course of some interesting 'Twelfth-century Notes' in the *ENGLISH HISTORICAL REVIEW* (October 1890), v. 745 sqq., Mr. J. H. Round said that he was not aware of any evidence for the statement that Robert of Bampton was the son of Walter of Douai. While engaged on the task, now happily almost accomplished, of editing for the Somerset Record Society the two great chartularies of Bath, the one at C.C.C. Cambridge (MS. cxi.), in its entirety, the other in the Lincoln's Inn library, in a full calendar, I have come across the desired proof. In the C.C.C. Cambridge MS. p. 96, there is a memorandum of the gift by 'Walcinus de Douaio' of the church of Bampton to St. Peter's Monastery at Bath, with notices of his brother Raimar, whom we know from 'Domesday' to have been a clerk, of Walter's wife, of his son Geoffrey, and of his *dapifer* Gerard of Brocton, or Bratton St. Maur, all benefactors to Bath. This is followed (p. 97) by a charter of confirmation of William (Warelwast), bishop of Exeter (1107-1136), in which we find *Rodbertus de Bahentona et Emma mater eius* renewing Walter's gifts of the churches of Bampton and 'Brigge,' or Bridgwater, and half the tithe of 'Kari,' or Castle Cary, where Walter had his castle, *pro anima Walteri, patris predicti Rodberti*. Whether Walter's granddaughter and eventual heiress, Juliana, who, according to Eyton, married William Paganel, and brought Bampton, Bridgwater, and other estates to the house of Paganel, was the daughter of Robert or Geoffrey, I do not find evidence to show.

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NOTE ON 'AN UNKNOWN CHARTER OF LIBERTIES.'

THE interesting and important document lately discovered by Mr. J. H. Round, and published by him under the above title in the April number of this *Review* (pp. 288-294), raises some difficult questions respecting its probable date and origin. Mr. Round suggests that it is a charter embodying certain concessions supposed