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and wth mutche a doe savid the children but the moother of them was drownid, a pytyfull hearinge the Lorde have mercy upon us and guyde us wth his grace amen.

This yeare and in the moonthe of Julii a strange sickness namyd the burninge Agewe raignid all England ov' and especially at this tyme in the towne of Shreusberie of the w^{ch} there discessid at the begynninge many of the woorthiest occupiars and p'perist p'soonns leavinge greate chardge of childe' behynde them.

This yeare was in England a very quicke and tymely harvest for before bartlomewe day the most part of corne was karieed into barnes the w^{ch} tymelye harvist and the aboondant plenty therof causid wheate and rye beinge before harvist in the towne of Shreusberie at xis and ixs the bushell to fall to 3s 8d and ijs the bushell and under w^{ch} God be praysesid was a coomfortable hearinge.

This yeare and in the moonthe of September to say the iiijth daye the greate assise was kept in Shreusberie w^{ch} was woont to be kept in the moonthe of Augoost but because of the sykenes did rainge abroade in all p'tes it was put of untill the coldnes of the yeare as aforesayde Mr. Needam¹ beinge head Shirreff who cam in wth a goodly trayne.

1587-8 George Hyggyns & Wylliam Joanes Baylyffs.

This yeare was chosen comen sergiant Hughe Benyon, and the other two sergians were Rychard Harrys and Ellys Keffyn draper.

This yeare and the last daye of November beinge Sainct Andrews day in the night the prison's of the castell gate in Shreusberie to say of the Shireffs chardge brak out of prison of the w^{ch} twoe of them escapid the reast were p'ventid, they had found the means to ease them selves of their irons and they had not been espied they had escapid all and had put the geyler to greate trobble.

This yeare and the xxiijth daye of December boinge Saturday Severn water did ryse at Shreusberie by the reasoon of greate raine in Wales of sutche great height that it cam in many of the houses in Franckvill beinge the west suburbs of the same towne and contynewed untill the xxvth daye to say Christmas day in w^{ch} tyme the inhabitans there were fayne to assende up to their chambers and sustaynyd greate losse thereby, also the sayd water to say the sayde Severn did rise

¹ Blakeway gives Francis Newport of High Ercall, afterwards Sir Francis as sheriff in 1586. There are two views of High Ercall Castle in Mrs. S. Acton's *Garrisons*, p. 44.

agayne the xxixth daye boinge Frydaye at night but not so highe as the first water by halfe a yarde plombe, w^{ch} vanished away soon' wthout greate harme, so that in one weeke, the sayde Severn water hathe not been scene to ryse so sooddenly togeather beinge no great weather to force the same neyther no snowe in Wales w^{ch} uppon sooden thawe hathe causid greate floods to coom.

This yeare and the ixth daye of January beinge Tuesday at night one Jane Ryton a mayde servant of Jucks wyffe of Franckvill tanner dyd wylfully drowne hir sellffe.

This yeare and the 20 daye of Januarie 1587 the christeninge foant in Sainct Chadds church in Shreusberie was placid againe in stone in his olde and usuall place in the enteringe in of the church for that the most parte of the parishon's did grudge against the remoovinge of the same to the quier or chancell.

This yeare and in the moonthe of Februarie there was a p'clamac'on conserninge the inordinate wearinge of apparell and an order of all estates what should be worne and usid and penalties p'sc'ibid for the offenders for not obser'inge the same.

The yeare and the xxjth of Marche beinge Thursday the iudges of assises cam to Shreusberie brought in by the Shyrreffe Mr. Edward Leighton esquier who had a woorthie company of men and well horsed the sysses continued from Thursday untill Saturday night unto the w^{ch} cam sutch a boundans of people that the lycke hathe not been scene by the reasoon of the apparance owt of Wales Sr. Edward Harbert knight beinge playntyfe and John Owen Vaghan esquire and Howell Vagha' defendants whoe had matters the' and there to bee tried.

This yeare and the xxvth daye of Marche beinge Moondaye and in the after noone of the same daye the prisoners were executed at the Olde Heathe amongst whom one Rychard Illedge beinge a towne prisoner and a towne borne childe was by the request of the sayde prysoner committed from the baylyffs to be tried befor the iudges of the sayde assises whoe made sutch a godly ennde that it gretly comforted the audience who were innumerable for the lycke company in that place hathe not ben scene.

This yeare and the xijth daye of July was published in the towne of Shreusberie a p'clamac'on from the Queenes maiestie beringe date at Grenwiche the first of July of and conscerninge a malicious and detestable Bull or libell publisheed and sett furthe of late by Sextus the fife nowe Pope of Roome against hir maiestie and hir most gracious and peaceable government wth other trayterous libells, boocks and pampletts lately also

contrivid written and printed by dy'vs sedicious and traytorous personns goinge a bouthe wth most false and abhominable lyes to sclaunder and dishonor hir maiestie whom God longe preserve and confounde all hir enimies Amen.

This yeare and the 18 day of Julye the iudges of the assise cam into Shreusbery at xj of the clocke before noone accompanied wth the Shyrrefe beinge master Edward Leightoon and the worshopfull of the shire and theire traynes in worshipfull man'er, there was but smale apparance and fewe matters to fynishe, for that they enndid all the 20 daye beinge Saturday in the foore noone of the same daye.

And it is to be notid that the sixt^h daye beinge Friday and in the midds of the assise one Richard Reynollds of Bageley by Cockeshoot in the countie of Salop yoman was put uppon the pillorie in Shreusbery by the appointment of the privey counsell and had bothe his eares cutt of by Richard Stubbs then apointed by the bayliffs of the towne execucion', his offence was this he wickidly burnid a shipp coate of one Hammer his brother in lawe wherin were nyne score sheepe and a geldinge and serten goates wth were all burnid savinge a fewe sheepe whiche escapid but yeatt the wolls of them singid to the skynn.

This yeare and the 19 daye of September beinge Tuesdaye and two dayes after the festivall daye of the coronac'on of the Queenes maiestie and the sayde daye fallinge uppon S Elizabethes daye was a solempn daye in Shrousbrie and all people that daye kept it holly unto the Lorde that had gyve' hir m^{tie} sutehe victorie and blessing ov'throwe of the Spanishe power and hudge navy of hir enimies to the greate reioisinge of all England. God be praysid Ame'

1588-9 John Pearce & Nicholas Gybbons Baylyffs.

This yeare were chosen sergiaunts Phellip Wildinge common sergiaunt and the two other sergiaunts were William Barnes and Robart Smithe the yonger all three free wth the Shoomakers and it is to be notid that before the sayd Rob't Smithe was swoorne officer to Mr. Baylyf Pearce there weare alligac'on' put in against hym because he wore master Luson's liverey and ought not to be weringe any gentilma's lyverey for affect'on sake accordinge to the boocke so he was put of for a tyme and the skanninge thereof put to lernid men but at the lengthe he was R^d and sworne.

This yeare and the 19 daye of October beinge Saturday were electid in the Gylde hall in Salop two burgises of the p'liment for the sayde towne to say Mr. Reynolde Skryven and master Andrew Newport to deale for y^e towne.

This yeaere and the *iiijth* daye of November there were sennt owt of Shropshire tow^{ds} Ireland 100 souldiairs after the vewe taken of them in Shreusberie of Mr. Edward Leighton beinge Shiriffe of the sayde shire to assist the countrey there concerninge a serte' number of Spaniards w^{ch} beinge wynde dreeven uppon the northe cost of Irelaunde and there beinge forsyd to launde incampinge them selves but the saide men wennt no further then Cheaster but returnid whom agayne for there cam certificate from Irelaund that they were soone vanquished and fled awaye.

There is to be remembrid the unseasonableness of the weather this yeaere to saye from Maye daye to the myds of November there hath been sutehe foule weather that mutche hey in the harvist and after was lost and especially in lowe countres beinge rottoon and karried away with the waters and mutche corne taken in not well seasonid and weare fayne for the most p't to kepe their rie grownd for barly whiche causid all grayne somewhat to rise in price, to say, whete a bove 5s. the bushell and rye at 3s. the least.

This yeaere and the *7th* daye of November beinge Thursdays and the countie daye were chosen in the castill of Shreusberie by the body of the shire 2 knights of the parlime't whiche were to saye Sir Water Lusoon and master Richard Lusoon his soonn and heire.

This yeaere and the *7th* daye of Januarii 1588 beinge the quarter sessions for the Shire usually kept in Shreusberie the Tuesday after *xijth* daye there had licke to have been greate hurt doon throughe the blowinge of a troompett by master Frances Newpards troompetar over against master David Lloyds howse in whose howse was one master Owen Vagha' & his meen beinge a stoute gentil' betweene whom was an olldde grudge, the w^{ch} troompetoor beinge founde faultt wthall drewe out his swoorde to stricke at the p'tie and therupon theoder hys fellows drewe and the bayliffes beinge in the hall cam amongst them to keepe peace were not regardid uppon the same the common bell was ronge the' the townes men assisted the baylyffs and the' they were forcid to put upp their weapons wth halfe a doss'n broke' pates and all this broile the sayd Mr. Owen Vagha' and all his men kept the howse and by counsell storred not w^{ch} yf he and his men had coom furthe there had been a bloddie daye but God be thanckid it was for that tyme pacified.

This yeaere and the 22 of Januarii beinge Wensday and in the night the prissoners of the castell geole in Shreusberie foonde meanes to unfasten their bolltes and lynckes and were

at libertie in the prison who had pullyd downe sertene stone of the wall towards the scoole house to have gott'n owt but coulde not passe by reason the yearthe that way was far above the breache the w^{ch} yf they had made it on the other syde w^{ch} they durst not for awakinge the geylor and other people they had gon furthe so at the last wth their bustelinge & noise the geylors men callid upp the geilor who p'seivinge the' to have the boltes in their hands to brayne the' w^{ch} had first com in wentt to the baylyffs for assistance who sennt thider certe' men weepoind and so forsyd them all to yealde to peace and were all putto shurer holde and so keapt till the nexse greate assise.

This yeare in the moonthe of Maye and June was soom contrav'sie in the towne of Salop about the settinge upp of maye poales and bonyfiers mackinge, and erection of tresse before the Shearmans haule and other places the w^{ch} one Mr. Tomkys¹ publicke prechar there did preche against and the saide p'char beinge presentt at the perswadinge reformac'on was there thretenid and pushid at by certe' lewde p'soonns but in the ennde it was reformid by the baylyffs.

This yeare and about this tyme the bishopps ordinarie cam to Shreusburie to se reformac'on in churches of soondrie faults contrarie to the queenes m^{ts} inionct'ns who gave commandme't amongst other matt' that the ministers in sainge of devine serveis shulld were their surpluces acording to the queenes inioonct's but whe' he departid the most part of them did not observe the same but do staunde to the danger of the lawe & extremitie therof.

This yeare and at the ennde of harvist Rye provid very light and thyn in most places of Englaund and they whiche sowed rie at the fyrst were fayne to sowe barly agayne in the same place, so that barly was exceedinge good and plentifull and at 2s. 6d. 2s. 4d. and at 2s. the bushell, whiche causid rie to keepe at iijs. the bushell because the people put mutche barly wth rie to macke breadd yee and many made bredd of cleane barly and good bredd too, for barly was so fayre and so plentifull this yeare whiche yf it had chauncid otherwyse rye had benn at an unreasonable price at the least at vijs. or viijs. the bushell, and by that helpe wheate at vs.

This yeare and the seconnde day of October beinge Thursday and the daye before the ellect'n of the baylyffs of the towne of Salop there was assembly of the commons at the gulldhall

¹ Rev. John Tomkys, M.A., minister of St. Mary's. "1592 June 24 Mr. John Tomkis, public Preacher buried."—*St. Mary's Register*.

there to heare and consennt to the mackynge of freeme', and amongst other matt' this one is especially to be notedd that Mr. John Okell gentyl' and one of the counsell of the towne and as it may appeere hathe borne the office of the towne, did promes ope'ly the same day before all the assembly that yf he may be sparid from the office of baylywicke as longe as he lyvid at his deathe he wolde free the stone gate for painge any toll for ev' and purchase somutche launds to furnyshe the same to the whiche the commons & all agreid unto so the same ys put downe and confirmyd, whiche woorthie act is and wille not only a perpetuall commendac'on to hym but a further p'vocacon to others to sturre the' to be myndefull of well doinge towards the p'ffet of y^e towne.

This yeare and on the elect'on daye were pullid owt of the bagge by the baylyffes Richard Chirwell and Mr. Edward Owen who callyd the 25 p'soonns, to make the baylyffs and other officers the w^{ch} 25 p'soons went into the elect'on house at 3 of the clocke in the after noone and cam not owt before 7 of the clocke on Saturday at night the only staye was for that they could not agree uppon the common sergiaunts.

1589-90 Thomas Lewys & John Davies Baylyffes.

This yeare was chosen common sergiant William Jenckes and the other two sergians were Robart Ball and Richard Harris taylor.

This yeare and aboute the myds of October was take' a monsterous fyshe callid a Sturgion at the next weare benethe Bridgnorthe she was a bout a yarde broade in the backe and 3 yards in lengthe whiche was sennt to the counsell for a presennt.

This yeare and the 29 daye of October A^o 1589 one Sir Rychard Shatelworth¹ wth the Ladie his wyfe cam to Shreusberie, beinge Justes electyd for the counsell in the Marches of Wales who were woorthely r^d and an orac'on made unto hym before my Lord's Place and so brought to master Sherar's howse where he purposethe to remayne.

This yeare and the xxth daye of January Syvern water at Shreusbery did rise a bove a foote height in soom of the inhabitants howses in Francvill beinge the west suburbes of the sayde towne of w^{ch} was unlookyd for of all the inhabitants whiche did contynewe but a short space to say wennt downe againe the next daye at night.

¹ Son of Hugh Shuttleworth, Esq., of Gawthorpe, co. Lancaster, chief justice of Chester died 1599, s. p.

This yeare and in the moonthe of February there went owt of this towne and shire a hundred sowldiars toward Ireland to keepe and defende the garrisons there who tocke shippinge at Bristowe.

This yeare and the 27 day of Marche 1590 beinge Fryday was a man and a wooman¹ executid at Knockin Heath beyond Nesclyf in Wales beinge in the county of Salop for murtheringe a childe of the adge of 5 yeares to say for his laundes being an heir of *vli* a yeare or thereabouts whiche fell after the sayd childes dethe yf he had died wthout issue to his uncles beinge three of them w^{ch} uncles p^curid and imagenid the deathe of the saide childe ev^r sence his byrthe the three uncles were executid at Bridgnorthe sysses beinge holde^r the xixth of Marche last one of his uncles was pressid to deathe there and the other two hangid there at Bridgnorthe also, from whence the saide wooma^r beinge grand moother to the childe and the sayd man whose name was Gefferey Elkes beinge hirid to doe the deede cam to be executid in the saide heathe where the deede was the wooma^r beinge hangid there was cutt downe and burieedd and the saide Elks hangithe in chaynes for a memoriall and an exsample to others. At his deathe the sayde Elks confessid that he did not the deede but brought a payle of water to the heathe and leaft his uncle that was pressid to deathe to doe the deede, and before the deede was doon and after two Ravins usually wold meete hym the saide Elks wold followe hym and krye a bout hym and whe^r he escapid and hidd hym selfe the saide Ravins did crie and flyed about the place and discried hym owt and so was founnde in a cocke of hey by their meanes, w^{ch} the sayd verely was the iust iudgme^t of God. so he warnid all peeple present (beinge there of all p^ts an infinite number) to tacke heed of pryvey murther for the fowles of the aire will discrie them, as it well p^rvyd by hym sellffe.

This yeare and the 17th daye of Aprill there went a hundred souldiars owt of Salop and the shire who went towards Ireland and toocke shippinge at Cheaster.

This yeare and the 4th of Maii there was a yonge scollar beinge about xij or throthene yeares owld beinge burdid at master Hamons in Salop hangid hym sellffe in the chamber where he did lye beinge a Walshe boye whose name was Reece ap John beinge an idle boy & hatid the scoole.

This yeare and the 26 daye of Maye one Reynold Powell carpenter was murtherid in Salop in placinge a peece of

¹ See Gough's *Hist. of Middle* (ed. 1875), p. 71 and 72.

tymber at the repayringe of a housse a lyttel benethe the gullet ap'taininge to master Richard Owe' senior drap'.

This yeare and the 19th daye of June one John Broome the soon of Thomas Broome of Mynsterley comming to the towne wth a loade of poales was sooddenly murtherid by the over waltinge of hys wayne wthin a myle of the towne of Salop.

This yeare and the 5th of Julii a man of Thomas Joanes of Salop, shoemaker callid Hughe Morris a Walshe boye was drownid under on of the arches of the Walshe bridge in Salop the same daye after eveninge prayer beinge a Sondag in bathinge of hym sellffe.

This yeare and the vijth of Julii one John Lewis a prentise of Richard Fallows of Salop sherman was soodenly take' and foounde dead yet comminge to hym sellfe in tyme was p'tley recoverid yet remayneth speecheless and verey sicke and weacke.

This yeare and the xxiiijth day of July there was a scaffold put up in the cornem'kt in Salop upon the w^{ch} an Hongaria' and other of the queenes m^{as} players and tumbars usid and excersisid them selves in sutch man' of tumblynge and turninge as the' the licke was never seene in Shrewsberie before that is to saye in this maner they wold turne them selves twise bothe backward and forward wthout towchinge any grownde in lightinge or fallinge upon their feete som of them also wold apeare in a bagge upright in the same beinge tied fast at the mowthe above his head and wold beinge in the sayde bagge turne bothe foreward and backward wthout towchinge any grownde in falling upright upon his feete in the sayde bagge marvelous to the beholders. Also a litill from the sayde stadg there was a gable roape tighted and drawen straye uppon poales erectid against master Purser's place in the sayde corne market upon the w^{ch} roape the sayde Hongaria' did assende and goe uppon wth his bare feete havinge a longe poole in his handes over his headd and wold fall stridlongs uppon the sayd roape and mowntinge up againe upon the same wth hys feete verey myraculous to the beholders at soondrie tymes and in soondrie man's. Also uppon the topp of the same roape goinge streight from bothe the sloapes he went to & fro the same in daunsinge and turninge hym sellffe wth holdinge still his saide poale w^{ch} wayed above xxxviij*li* weight and also he put on two broad shues of copper upon hys feete not towching the' wth hys hands and went upright upon the saide roape never swarvinge on no syde in woonderful maner and after he had put downe the poale he shewyd woonderfull feates and knacks in fallinge his head and hands

downewards and hangid at the roape by his feete and assendid up agayne and after that hangid by his handes and all his feate & body downewards and turnid his body backward & forward betwixt his hands & the rope as nymbell as yf it had been an eele in sutch woonderfull maner that the lieke was nev' seene of the inhabitants there before that tyme.

This yeare and the xiiijth daye of August beinge Thursday A^o Dm^r 1590 the Judgs of the greate assise cam to Salop and kept there the assises for the space of 3 daies and so the sayde iudgis dep'ted againe uppon Soonday followinge and uppon Moonday after in the forenoone sutch prison's as were condemnid had their execut'ion, Mr. Andrewe Chorlt'n beinge Sherref.

1590-1 Thomas Sherar and Thomas Burnell Balyvs.

This yeare was made common sargiant Edward Lloid shoemaker and the other two sargiants were Thomas Coomiy taylor beinge sargiant to master Baylyve Sherar and Thomas Evans taylor beinge sa'giant to master Baylyve Burnell.

This yeare the counsell of the Marches of Wales kept Michelmas tearms in Shreusburie w^{ch} began in the beginninge of November by the meanes of master Justes Shatelwoorthe wheare the seale remaynid untill the weeke before Christmas because they were unserten either to goe or tarrie untill they hard from Loondon to w^{ch} place y^e towne of Salop sennt Mr. Roger Evans to be a sutor to have the counsell to remaine still for the helpinge forward the reparac'on of a ruynous castell there to be repayrid and buildid herafter to be a place bothe to reseve the counsell as also a convenie't place for the prisoners of the shire.

This yeare and the . . . daye of December was by the apointment of the counsell a man put uppon the pillorie in Shrosberie for pi'urie provid upon hym whose name was

This yeare and the viijth daye of February beinge Monday in the morninge one Humfrey Smythe alias Sadlar dwellinge under the Wilde Copp an old man hangid hym selfe in a coke loft wthin his owne howse beinge well able to lyve.

This yeare and the xxvjth daye of February was the towne sessions of Salop where there were no pryson's condempnyd but were foonde under the value.

This yeare by the meanes of the hardnes of wynter and drynes wth all causid hey & fodder to be verrey deere and caused many cattell to perrishe for waunt, as also the wether fell unkyndly at X'ras and after X'ras to sutch snowe and rayne that made the water uppon a soodde' thawe to ryse

somwhat highe that the lycke wat' was never seene in the ende of M^che before contrarie to kynde that the people could not in tyme fallowe their barly grownde and by reasoon of the frost wth all and hard weather causid the gresse springe soo'what late and killid almost all hearbes in gardeines and other places so that husbandme' were fayne to sowe theire barly presently after in Aprell uppon the fyrst turninge aft' the ploughe and the garde' to be sowidd in Ap'rl for want of seasonable weather.

This yeare and the first day of May about v. of the clocke in the afternoone of the same daye their fell a terrible thoonder wth lightinge and tempest w^{ch} lasted not verey longe the thoonder bolt therof did kyll upon Leat'n Shelffe by the towne of Shreusberie one Geordge Maninge shomaker comminge wth his brother Richard Maninge of Salop taylor from Oswestaries fayre the saide Geordge killid owt right and bothe theire horses but the sayd Richard Maninge was astonied but escapid a lyve savinge that he was a massid a day or two after who reported that there was at the tyme sutche a steanche and greate heate in the same place by the reason of the longe continevance of lighteninge after the thonder past that the saide place remaynid three dayes in greate heate and stinckinge smell whiche sodden chases is an exsample for others to serve God at all tymes not knowinge at what tyme or where or howe he will stricke us for o^r synns.

This yeare and the 28th day of Maii one Mr. Thyn esquire by the assistance of the Shireff of Shropshire beinge the Mr. Hoptu' assaultyd the castell of Cause¹ belonginge unto the Lord Harry Stafford to whom the sayde Mr. Thin had bought longe agoe and had recovirid the same by lawe but could never gett possession and was wthstood by the Ladie Stafford and serte' of hir men beinge at that instant within the sayde castell the Lorde Stafford hym sellffe beinge from whoame but at the lengthe the sayd Thin by the helpe of the Sheereff entrid p' force and expullsid the sayde Lady wth smale hurt doon.

This yeare and the 6 day of June beinge Soondaye and the festivall day of the company of the Shermen of Salop aboute the settinge upp of a greene tree by serte yonge me' of the

¹ The Earl of Stafford inherited Cause Castle and estates from the Corbets. William Hopton of Rockall and Chirbury was sheriff. Arms: *gu semée of cross crosslets, a lion rampant or.* There is a view of Cause Castle in Mrs. Stackhouse Acton's *Garrisons of Shropshire*, p. 40.

saide company before their hall doore as of many yeares before have ben acostomid but preachid against by the publicke precher there and commawndid by the baylyffs that non sutehe shoulde be usid and for the disobedience therein theye were put in prison and a prively sessions called and there also indictid and still remayne untill the next towne sessions for further triall as hear after may apeere.

This yeare and the 17 day of Julii beinge Saturday in the night the most part of Shyffnall¹ was burnid withe fier by mischance of a mayde s'vant at night wth a candle where flax did lye in the w^{ch} the snoffe of the said candle fell in unknowe' to hir and so kindlinge in the night by an extreme tempest scatterid the fyre a broad the towne in a woonderfull sort that the sayd fier leapt to the churche there beinge a pretie space from any house and burnyd the same and burnid and meltid the bells therin and laft nothings unburnyd savinge the stoane worke therof and the sayd fier was so veheme't that wythe the sodde' fright therof beinge in the night and the people makeinge all the speede they could to save their goods as a sort of men soddenly amasid made smale speede to save their neighbors howses but suffringe the same uppon suche extremitie that it was past healp so that not wthstandinge comminge and chaunsinge in the night ev'y p'soon beinge in bedd yet were there non buried, thanks be to God.

This yeare and the 19th daye of August Sir Edward Leight'n knight wth other Justices of the Shire did muster at Shreusberie for the towne and shire y^e number of 200 souldiars prickid and apointid to apeare at an howres warninge upon payne of deathe.

This yeare and the 22 of August beinge Soondaye the bayliffs then beinge of the Bishops Castell xij miles from

¹ This fire was described in a book, at present known only by its title in Ames's *Typography* (Herbert's ed.), p. 1371. "The lamentable ruines of the Towne of Shiffnall, alias Idsall, in Shropshire, by Fire; with the most rare and wonderfull burnyng of the Parish Church standinge on the other side of a water; and the miraculous preservation of certaine Houses which stood close by the said Church, set forth by Edward Mullard, Parson of Idsall, alias Vicar. Printed by John Danter. Lond. 1591. 4^o." Mullard was Vicar 1567-1598. There is also in existence a Brief dated 1592, which states that "32 houses with their goods and household stuffe were consumed & the Parish Church together with the Chancell and steeple with six Bells in the same utterly consumed and molten,"—*Trans. Shropsh. Arch. Soc.*, vol. I., p. 449.

Shresbery sennt sertificats to the curates and preachers in the towne of Shreusberie and clls where to the churches about that all people shulld have knowladge that theire fayre day beinge the 29 of August and fallinge upon the Soonday that in considerac'on of the will of God to keepe holly the sabothe daye and because y^e daye shulld be kept holly that the shulld not repayre thyder as that day but uppon the Monday followinge beinge the 30 daye of August and the' the fayre there to be kept and nott to losse their labor the w^{ch} is a godly exsample and to be followid in all places and truly God will blesse us all in so doinge grant it so to be good Lord amen.

This yeare and the 23th daye of August A^o p'd was the towne sessions and thosse prisoners that were, were savid under the value & by their booeke also thosse youthes whyche weare indictid about the erectinge of the Sherman's tree and uppon their submission there the' were quit for their disobedience and for all matters and the matter therin to be endid by Mr. Sergia't Owen who determinid the matt' the' the usuall tree shulld be usyd as heretofore have be' so it be don syvely and in lovinge order wthout contenc'on.

This yeare at the 16. 17. & 18 daye of Septe'ber the greате assise was kept at Shrewsbury at w^{ch} assisse were above 60 prisons' of the w^{ch} were 21 condempnid ten of those had their booeke and one wooma' begged by the gentilweeme' of the towne and 9 suffreed to say 8 of them suffreed at the old heathe and the other whosse name was Edward Juson whoe did murther a yonge youethe beinge apprentise wth one Mathewe Styntoon tan'er of Wellinget'n under the Wrekin where he was hangid in chaynes and there shall hange for exsample, he had murtherid the saide youthe a boutc May day last and was not foounde longe after and that was by the chance of serte' mayds in gatheringe of straweberies foounde hym and uppon the fynding of hym the sayd Edward Juson beinge servant in the same house wth hym roon away and therby suspectyd pursuid & take'. Mr. Willia' Hopton Esq' Shereffe.

This yeare and against the assise tyme on master Baneks¹ a Staffordshire gentill brought into this towne of Salop a white horsse which wolld doe woonderfull and strangd things as

¹ Banckes and his "dancing horse" are alluded to by Shakspeare in *Love's Labour Lost*, Act 1, sc. 2, and by many writers contemporary with Shakspeare. Thus Ben Jonson, in *Every Man Out of his Humour*:—"He keeps more ado with this monster, than ever

thesse wold in a company or pres tell howe many peeces of money by hys foote were in a man's purce also yf the^r p^rtie his master wold name any man beinge hyd nev' so secret in the company wold fatche hym owt wth his mowthe either nami'g hym the veriest knave in the company or what cullerid coate he hadd, he pronowncid further to his horse and said Sir ha there be two baylyves in this towne the one of them bid mee welcom into the towne and usid me in frindly man' I wold have the goe to hym and gyve hym thanks for mee and he wold goe truly to the right baylyf that did so use hys sayd Mr as he did in the sight of a number of people unto master baylyffe Sherar and bowyd unto hym in makinge curchey wth hys foote in sutchē man' as he couldde withe sutchē strange feates for sutchē a beast to doe that many people iudgid that it were impossible to be don except he had a famylar or don by the arte of magicke.

1591-2 Rychard ap Powell and Edward Irelande Baylyffs.

This yeare was chosen common sergiant Francis Betton shoemaker and the other two sergiantes were Hughe Benion wever sergia't to master Baylyfe Powell and Richard Hortu' fletcher sergia't to master Baylyff Ireland.

This yeare and the xiiijth daye of October one Roger Wilsoon of Salop sherma' was burieed who drownid hym sellfe about mi'helmas last and could not be hard of untill nowē whoe was able to lyve and was of a reasonable welthe whoe was a quiet man and lyvid quietly the Lorde gyve all people grace dayly to call uppon hym to gyde us at all tymes. Amen.

This yeare and the 24 of Januarie 1591 there was in the parishe of Awburburie in the countie of Salop a swarme of beese cam owt of an hyve there the sayd daye and beinge hyvid in good order and lyckid well the whyche was verēy strandge

Bankes did with his horse." And again in Thos. Bastard's *Chrestoloros*, 1598, lib. 3, ep. 17 :—

"Bankes liath a horse of wondrous qualitie,

For he can fight, and pisse, and dance, and lie,

And find your purse, and tell what coyne ye have,

But Bankes who taught your horse to smell a knave?"

In 1595 a pamphlet was published "*Maroccus Extaticus, or Bankes's Bay Horse in a Trance: A Discourse set downe in a merry Dialogue between Bankes and his Beast; anatomizing some Abuses and bad Trickes of this Age*," 4to, prefixed to which was a print of the horse standinge on his hind legs with a stick in his mouth, his master with a stick in his hand, and a pair of dice on the ground. A facsimile of this print is given in Malone's edition of Shakspeare. Poor Bankes and his horse were burnt at Rome as magicians.

in that tyme of yeaere never seene or hard of to any mans memorie.

This yeaere and the 28th day of Nove'ber 1591 was master Rychard Myttoon Esquire callyd the gentill master Myttoon and Alderma' of Salop who had ben 6 tymes baylyf of the towne in his tyme & was solemnly buried the 28th day of November 1591 beinge about a C yeaeres olde.

This yeaere and the 13th daye of June 1592 and beinge Teusday and the towne court daye of Shrowsburie accordinge to the order of the newe composic'on one of the baylyves to say master Edward Ireland beinge furthe of y^e towne and master Baylyfe Powell beinge verrey sycke was karied from his howse in a cheare to the boothe hall and syttinge therein, the cowrite was reiornid and so in licke man'er was karried agayne whom to his howse, whiche event hathe not been seene or harde of before.

This yeaere and the 23 day of June one Mr John Toomkies¹ beinge curat of Sainet Maris churche in Salop beinge a famows lernid man and a publicke preacher there dep'tid this p'sent lyfe and was buried the next daye ensuinge the w^{ch} was mydsomm' daye for whose deathe of the p'fect p'testants was great lamentac'on.

This yeaere in the moonthe of Awgust to say the day Umfrey Sadlar's daughter whose name was drownid her sellfe whose father hangid hym sellffe as aperethe before, by whose deathe all her goodes cam to the towne of Shrowsburie God sendd all people better grace to serve God & to be better myndid.

This yeaere bothe the assises were kept owt of Shrousbury to say at least at Bridge northe & at som' in Ludlo Mr Robart Eyton Esq Shereff.

This yeaere and the xxvijth daye of August beinge Thursdaye the Baylyffs of Salop made a feaste in the guylde hall in Shrowsburie beinge at 4 tables a bove a hundred p'soons where they hadd plentie of venison wyne and other good cheere the whiche venyson was gyven by Mr Richard Corbett unto the towne for to meete & assemble in fryndly man' and to macke myrry the w^{ch} was doon accordinglye.

This yeaere and about the ennde of August there was made by the baylyffs of Salop a clocke within the guylde hall there wth a diall wthin the hall and two dyalls wthout the hall the one to serve the highe streete market and passars by and the

¹ "1592 June 24 Mr. John Tomkis Public Preacher buried."—*St. Mary's Register*.

inhabytants there, and the oder towards the corne markett in lycke man', the w^{ch} two dialls do not onely noate howe the howres of the daye passethe but also theirin the picture of the moone howe it dothe increase and decrease verey artyficiall and comodius to the beholders.

This yeare and the first in Septe'ber 1592 in the night were woonderfull fierye inflamac'os and brightnes withe sutch light flashes and aspirac'ons that any person might deserne the value of a peece of money as yf it had ben breke of daye (to say light in darknes) the omnytpotent God have m'ey upon us.

1592-3 Robart Irelande & Mychaell Chambers Baylyffs.

This yeare were chosen com'en sergiatt Thomas Browne draper and Roger Langley taylor sergiant to master Ireland and Richard Mannynge taylor sergia't to master Chambers.

This yeare and the 30 daye of Nove'ber beinge Sainct Andrews daye Richard Teggin draper was swoorne commyn sergiant in the place of Thomas Browne beinge electyd sergia't because he was lame and therefore unfitt to prosecute the same as aptaytaynyd.

This yeare and the 27 of November in the night Mr. Prynce his howse or place in the Abbey foriyate was broken by theeves to say they brocke into his countinge howse and foounde there smale stoare of money but foond the keys there to ope' the moost and chyffyst dores and places where they might have com by money and other things but belieke beinge frighted uppon soom noyse whiche they hard in the house departid uppon a soodden to a coate there hardd bye where they laft their horses but when they cam there their horses were gotte' owte into the filldes they knewe not whyther and beinge dareke allso so they toocke their heelis whyther no man can tell and laft the sayde pryvey kayes behynnde them and in the morninge the horses were foonde strayd in the fiellds beinge ij horses wth theire furniture the w^{ch} were brought to be seene bothe in this towne and other places to be seene yf by the sight of them any knowledge might be hadd.

This yeare and the xjth daye of January 1592 from the after noone of the same daye untill the 18th day to say a whoale weecke to geather the wynde beinge at the northwest continewid for the most p't sutch an extreeme tempest of wynde onely that did greate harme in many places.

This yeare and in the moonthe of Februarie began a p'lyme't to say the 19 day of Februarie for the whiche were chossen burgeysis for the towne of Shreusburie at the request of the Earle of Essex master Reynold Scriven and master Robart

Wright beinge the Earles stuard, and were made knights of the shire for the sayd p'lyme't master Fraunces Newport and Mr. Robart Needam.

This yeare all this som' the citie of London was visited wth the plage and a pestelent burninge ague great numbers died, the sayd plage was in Darby, Lichfield, Bewdley, Worcester, Glocester, Tewksbery, Wem, Bishops Castell and wthin 3 myles of Shreusbery, so that watche and warde was kept for longe tyme at all the gates there that non infected p'son or any others shuld com from those places except they kept them sellves owt of the towne for a monthes space at the least by w^{ch} pollitick governm^t and the omnipotent blessinge favor & governme't of God the towne of Shreusbery was free and escapid danger God be praysed for the same. Amen.

This yeare 1593 the 25 of August y^e great assise kept in Shreusberie Sir Ric' Corbet Esq. beinge Sheerriff.

This day A^o dicto and the 6 day of September beinge Thursday departid this p'sent lyffe mysteres Mary Cole of Shrewsburie, and was buried the Saturday followinge who was a verteous gentill' & of a good mynde of no pride but familiar wth the simplist of all, willinge to hyr power to do good to all p'sons and never consentid to the hurtt or hyndera'ce of any p'soon.

This yeare and the xth of Septe'ber the woorthy knight Sr Edward Leighton of Watilsborowe in the countie of Salop and beinge one of the counsell in the m'shes of Wales dep'tid this p'sent lyffe beinge greate countena'ce and fame all Shropshire ov' whose buriall was not solempnisid untill a moonthe after, whose deathe was sore missed & lamented of many.

This yeare and the 17 daye of Septe'ber A^o p'd there was burnid in Stretton to saye mydle Stretton in the count' of Salop xj howses and barnes by myschance of fier after this man to say a nydiart or foole of the same towne makege a fier by a ricke of strawe adioinge to a barne caught fiere in the ricke and so to the barn, beinge fewe p'sons laft in the towne but were a broade about their bussines and markets so that havinge lyttell helpe or past helpe whe' any cam so the number of those howses were spoiled as aforesaid.

There was burned also the same daye at Shyffnall two howses by the necklygence of an olde ma' beetinge fier in a bruehouse being hevie and sleepy and soe the fier caught into the thatche of the howse and so were burnt.

The yeare and the xxijth of Septe'ber the baylyffs Alderme' and come' counsell of the towne of Shreusburie mett together wth the assistance of Mr Sergia't Owe' at the guild hall

comme'ly callid the boothe hall of Shreusburie wth the assembly of the commons there of and conserninge the benyvolent gyft of S^r Thomas White late of London (of woorthy fame) of the soom of 104*li* laft by hym to the towne of Shreusburie to be lennt to 4 yonge occupiars being clotheers for 10 yeres and the matter being debated before the commons in the guyld hall there and the pryncipall poyntes of the will and testame't of the sayd Sir Thomas White there ope'ly declarid and the lernid mynde of M^r Sergia't Owe' therupon uttered and upon the same deliberac'on granted to the saide comme's to pounder uppon the same untill the next daye beinge Thursday whiche 4 owt of a number beinge namid and agreid upon most elect'on but the baylyves and counsellors had agreid before uppon these 4 to saye Richard Betton, Geordge Phellips Nycholas Leighton & Thomas Chorlton, but as it was thought the most parte of the comuns by their p'sons and voyces wold not have Thomas Chorlt'n but wold have had in his place Thomas Yevans and uppon that point they stood so longe in triall by voices & hands that they could not disserne the difference uppon the w^{ch} they de'ptid and weare all by the baylyves appointed to meete againe the next daye beinge Friday and were fayne to goe throughe the dore by pole and so their names taken and the choise in number fell upon Thomas Chorlt'n but the dyfference was but lytyll and on Saturday followinge they severally reseeded their porc'ons to say 25*li* a peece and the odd 4*li* was for the bayliffs in v'singe and payeinge the same apoynted so by the granter, the discourse of whose famous graunt and stablished gyft aperithe somewhat larger in this boocke.

1593-4 Edward Owen draper & Humfrey Hughes Sherma' Baylyffs.

This yeare were chosen sergiaunts at the mace to say Richard ap Ric' wer' comme' sergia't Willia' Jeneks drap' sergia't to M^r. Owe' and Rychard Harries taylor sergia't to M^r. Hughes.

This yeare and the 9th of October in the after noone the almshouses¹ in Franckvill was by myschance on fyre and there had not be' greate helppes and dilligence it had spoild many howses beinge charged wth broome fagotts and other drie fuell verey dangerous but God be thanckid by reason of Severn water so neere and rediness of the people it was stayed for p'ceedinge any further the' thosse almshouses and savinge two or three of their howses burnt and spoild wthin furthe all

¹ These were St. John's or Coles Almshouses.

y^e rest owtward a bout was kept standinge and the mischance therof cam by one of the fatchinge coles of fyer in a woode dyshe and levinge it in hir howse goinge uppon an arrant the fyer burned the dishe and so caught holde of brome or sutchelicke fuell and before she cam agayne the house was on fyer the dore beinge shutt.

This yere and the xxjth day of November beinge Wensday a man of mast' Thomas Chorlton drap^r whose name was Roger beinge an husbandmaⁿ was drowned in mackinge fast of a peece of wood for goinge downe the watersyd being somewhat highe and could not be foounde of longe tyme after, the next daye followinge beinge the 22 daye was a mayde drowned by Montford whose name was Elizabeth Reynoldes (the chance fell owt thys) a yonge maⁿ and shee passinge in a boate to fatche another over the water and in passinge in the sayde boate a longe the shoreside the wynd beinge extreeme bigge drive the boate upon the roote of a tree lyeinge in the water and so ov^r turnid the bothe in the water, the yonge maⁿ savid hym selffe but the mayde was drownid and not as yeat foounde beside other two more drownid in the saide water wthin 4 myles compasse, but y^e said Eli^h was found agayne not before y^e 21 day of Janu^r & brought to Salop y^e 22 day of Januarie and the crown^s jury charged so buried the sayd day.

This yere 1593 and the 15 daye of December at night Severn water at Shreusbury did rise by the reason of greate weete and of sutchelike contynewance that it did ryse a foote deep in dyv^r mens howses especiall in Franckvill somewhat nere the wat^r syde and continewed and kept at the horse-fayres monthe more the 8 dayes with sutchelike terrible tempest of wynde and rainge for the space of a moonth before, that the licke wether hadde not ben seene and never sennce before hallentide the water was not under a floate wat^r and the wynde keapinge most terrible togethe^r for the space of 7 weeks in the reast.

This yere and the 8 daye of Januarie beinge Tuesdaye the quarter seassions for the shire beinge Shiriffe of the same Mr. Robert Powell of the Pareke by Oswestrie at y^e whiche seassions (beinge usually kept in the towne of Shresburie) was not hymsealfe present but his deputie, and the next daye followinge be^g the 9th daye of Januarie the towne seassions of gaole delyvi^d in Shrosbery was kept in the whiche were 2 condempned, one savid by his boocke & the rest whipped.

This yere and the 21 day of Marche beinge Thursday there fell sutchelike a monstereous dry wynde and so extreeme feerce

owt of the northeweast all that whole day univ'sall all England ov' that the force thereof threwe downe barnes, uncoverid a number that were both thatchid and tylid, overthrowinge howses, steeples, parcke pales and greate treese, and soondry parsoons slayne by the fall of them, that the lycke wynde was never seene of thosse that be lyvinge in these dayes, to the greate losse and hinderance of most men, the force wherof amongst other losses in thys towne of Shreusbury removid the upp' part of Sainct Maris steeple owt of his place towards the southeest about 5 inches and at the present remove there was master Laut'n publycke precher there in the pulpit that yf it had fallen it wold have dryve' the churche uppon the heads of hym and the people but God stayd the fall thereof and p'servyd the precher & his people God be thanckid the danger therof so standinge that the people of the towne durst not ringe the bells nor any bell for shakinge of the same to a further inconvenience the w^{ch} were the plesaunts and comfortabest ringe of bells in all the towne as also the disfigurid sight of the steeple so standinge was a greate eyesore not onely to the townesmen but unto the countrey and other strang^s passingers in considerac'on wherof the baylyffs and townesme' wh^e oportunitie servyd made p'parac'on for things nedefull and a chiffe masson gott'n to remedy the same so that before all things were fynishid and the skaffollds bothe w^{thin} and without take' downe to say the 22 daye of June and the 23 daye followinge beinge Soonday the grette bell was ronge owt there to the sermonde and the 29th daye of June beinge Sotturday followinge all the bells were roonge verey solumly to the comforde of all the herars; it is further to be noted that the vjth day of June the wether coke of Sainct Maris steeple was tacke' downe of the topp of the sayd steeple by one Francs Barnet of Salop bricke layer who newe pointid the said steeple the w^{ch} coke was seene and shewid to many whiche was and is of brasse wainge 12 pounds $\frac{1}{2}$ the lengthe of the sayde coke from the bill to the ennde of his tayle is a yarde lackinge 2 ynches and the deepnes from the topp of the combe unto the bottome of the breast is halfe a yarde & one inche and was put on the steeple topp againe the 14 daye of June by one John Richmoond of Acton Reynolld masson chiffe woorekema' of the stoane woorce and the placinge of the sayde bracke or cracke wth his advice in the scaffolds mackinge bothe w^{thin} the sayd steeple as w^{thout}, who mesurid the whoole steeple and towre from the toppe of the same to the bottom as by hys iust report ys in thys man' to say, the barr that berithe the cocke ys 2 inches and a halfe thyck & is

in compas a bouthe 10 inches and the saide barr is in height from the cocke to the upper stoane 6 foote 10 inches. The crosse barr of iron ys 3 foote 10 inches the topp stoane under the barr is in breadthe 2 foote 2 inches, it is from the topp-stoane to the cracke 14 foote and from the cracke to the upper wyndows 31 foote 7 inches and from the upper wyndowe to the nether wyndowe 39 foote, and from the nether wyndowe to the bottoom of the spire at the garretts 47 foote & a halfe, so that the whoale spire in stoane wooreke is 132 foote & one inche. The whole towre from the bottoom of the spire is to the grownde 87 foote and a halffe. so the height of all the stoane wooreke from the bottoom of the grownde unto the topp stoane that holldithe the barr ys 219 foote 7 inches the w^{ch} is 73 yards and 7 inches and adding therunto 6 foote 10 inches, so then by this accompt the cocke standethe in height from the grownde 76 yards 5 inches. And it is furthe to be notid the cocke of the steeple standethe lower from the grownde by 9 yards & 9 inches the Pawles steeple standithe nowe after this maner to be reconnid, that Pawles spire steeple in Loondon was in tymber wooreke and leadid over to the battelme'ts before the burninge therof in height 200 foote and the steple or mayne towre as it standethe newe ys in height from the grownd 260 foote w^{ch} ys 86 yards & 2 inches, so it aperethe the difference to be as afor is layde downe 9 yards 9 inches higher than St. Maris steple, and the whoale height of Poales steaple was before it was burnte from the grownde 153 yards & one foote, furthe Pawles churche ys in leangthe 720 foote w^{ch} is 240 yards the w^{ch} is 12 score.

This yeare and in this moonthe [May] and in these baylyves tymes there was errectyd and made about the highe crosse in Shreusburie a place of tymber wooreke for contrey folks and others to sit and stand drie from raine to sell their poultrie butter egges and chesse &c the w^{ch} was coverid and fynyshid the 10 daye of July.

This yeare and the 9th daye of June 1594 about 3 or 4 of the clocke in the morninge there fell sutche a storme & frightfull thunder clap w^{ch} did harne in Bridgenorthe and in other places at that instant.

This yeare and the 30 of July beinge Tuesday and the towne court day in Shreusburie a matt' betwyxt master Fraunces Mere Ditheg' and master Sturry of Rossoll wennt to a Jury and the matter was so longe pleaded before them and goinge togeather and chargid a bout 6 of the clocke at night and contynewyd untill 8 of the clocke on Thursday night followinge and couldd not agree w^{thout} meate drinke or any other releeffe and som of

the sayd Jury before they wolld yeald wold eyther dye the selves or famishe others upon the w^{ch} extremitie the baylyffs and worship of the towne intreatid bothe the p'ties to consyder the lyffe of men and to put the matter to frynnds the w^{ch} in the ennde they dyd agre uppon and presently entrid into baunds and so uppon the same the Jury cam owt as aforesaid weacke I noughe especially som, of the yf they had taried one night longer had died.

This yeare and most p't of the somm' & p't of the harvest tyme contynewly for the most p't was greate weete that Severn wat' did hollde upp most strandge and not mutche under a flote water from the beginninge of June to the begynninge of August and the' cam 4 or 5 days verey faire and then began agayne mixinge wethere that where rye was at 18*d.* or 20*d.* the bushell and wheate 8 grots nowe it is rise' to 3*s.* 2*d.* rye and 5*s.* 4*d.* wheate so that yf God do not sennd sesonable weather in tyme it wille licke to fall dearer, but God be praysed it cam to passe that the ennde fell owt a verrey fayre season to all peoples comford.

This yeare the' was apointid by the clergy wth the conscent of the baylyffs and assistants of thys towne of Shreusburie a generall fast to be used to say the xjth day of August beinge Soondaye at w^{ch} day most of the inhabitants in Salop repayrid to Saint Maries churche there to pray and call uppon God to sennd seasonable weather to bringe in theyre corne for the comford of his people who lamentinge their synns and callinge to God wth sootche godly sermons made there of the p'chars to the comford of all the hearars the w^{ch} contynewyd all that Soonday from 8 of the clocke in the mor'inge untill 4 of the clocke at night and never cam owt of churche untill then.

This yeare and the xxvjth of August the greate assisse was helde in Shreusburie and the iudgs of the assises were brought in by the Shyreffe of the Shire whose name was Mr. Robart Powell of the Pareke by Oswestrie Esquire who cam in verey valiantly and at the ennde of the assise there were three condemnid to say two men and a woma' so the twoo men were executid & the woama' reprivid beinge thought to be wth childe.

This yeare and the 4th day of October beinge the elect'on daye for the makinge of newe baylyffs and beinge at night there was murtherid by serte' unruly youtthes of the towne one Thomas Lakon aprentise wth Mr. Richard Chirwel drap' beinge uppon the elect'on that night and his saide man beinge under the hall waitinge for his m^r to com owt sett uppon hym verey cowardly sett uppon hym purposidly pretendid aforehand by

them and so gave hym soondrie dedly woounds for the whiche soom are uppon suspic'on put in the gaole to be examyned to trie owt the truthe w^{ch} God sennd Amen. he was a proper youthe and com of good frinds.

1594-5 David Lloyd drap' & Thomas Lewis Baylyffs.

This yeare was chosen comme' sergiant Edward Phellips sherma' and the other two sergiantes were Richard Hardinge sherma' unto Mr. Baylyf Lloid and John Lewis tann' s'giant to Mr. Baylyff Lewys.

This yeare and the 29th day of October 1594 beinge Tuesday was the towne seassions of Salop of gaole delivery there and master Fowlar beinge stuard and sittinge there wth the baylyffs in the whiche sessions were condempnid Hughe Preece serva't wth Robart Taylor of Salop sherman and William Morris soon unto Willia' Morris of Salop sherman for wilfull murther for murtheringe of one Thomas Lakon s'vant unto Mr. Rychard Chirwell of Salop drap' as apeerithe in the last p'cell of the last yeare who were executid at the olde heathe the next daye followinge beinge the 30 daye of October in the after noone of the same daye, who althoughe in their lyve tymes were unruly youthes yeat at theire end they died wth pacience repentinge their former lyves to the exsample of all youthes and people present at whose execut'on were a greate multitude.

This yeare by the reson of swiftnes of rie and unseasonablenes of barly and karrienge owt of rie and other grayne from place to place and stolle' owt of the lannd corne waxid verely deere in Shreusbery to say rie at 13 and 14 grots wheate at 5s and 16 grots the bushell.

This yeare about the ennde of M'che there went souldiars owt of Shropshire and other places towards Ireland for the Earle of Terrone did rebell wth his associates and burnid towards the northe parte and stole serte' cattell there and so returnyd.

This all the monthe of M'che corne kept still deere to say wheat at 7s. and upwards and rye at 17 grotes.

This yeare 1595 was Francs Albany Esquire Sheref who keppt bothe the assises at Bridgenorthe.

This yeare and the 5th daye of Septe'ber A° p'd there was in the howse of Rychard Mynton dwellinge in the suburbs of Salop a strange pigge farieed havinge two hynder parts from the navill downewarde and one inteere bodie upwards to say one head necke and breast havinge 8 feete verely strandge to beholld to saye the nether partes joynid syde to syde soondred from the upper p't of the bodie havinge two lagges a peece benethe and 4 leggs above from the whoale body in suche sort

aperinge so playne that the contrarie legge of the one servyd eiche other for the other legge so althoughe there were 4 leggs above yeat had they two leggs a peece after sutchē man' that the one legge of the one servyd and apeerid to be the fellow to the other and had under one skynn 2 backe bones aperinge unto the necke yeat joyninge and growinge togeather aperinge benethe to be two boare piggs having but one pissill & one hart and was fariēd alyve but died presently after.

This yere and in the moonthe of October the counsell of the marches of Wales cam to Shrewsburie to keape the tearme there w^{ch} dothe begin the secoond daye of November ensuinge & stayd there.

This yere corne kept verēy deere still to say wheate at 7s. 6d. and rye at 6s. the w^{ch} was a strange matt' consideringe y^t harvyst beinge past & all corne in. God for hys mercy sake amend it and helpe the poore Amen.

1595-6 Wylliam Jones & Thomas Chorltoon Baylyffs.

This yere and the thrid of October beinge Friday and the elect'on day for the forsaide baylis &c the xxv p'sons that were chosse' entrid into the elect'on house about 12 of the clocke the sayde daye and cam not owt before Seturday at night so at lengthe agreed upon the forsaid baylyffs and made John Wycherley common sergia't and the other two sergiantes were John Butterie weav' for Mr. Baylyff Joanes and Thomas Davies taylor for Mr. Chorlt'n.

This yere and the 8th daye of Januarie was the towne sessions of Salop of gaole deliv' where serte' p'sonn's were raigned and the twelve that wennt uppon lyffe and deathe for savinge of them beinge indighted were sore thretenid by the Stuard and baylyffs to be fynid and were all commytted to the gate.

This yere and the xth dayo of Januarie A^o. p'dict beinge Saturday Severne water did sooddenly rise by the reason of greate raine and contynwall wynde that the water did rise in men's howses in the subu'bes of the sayde towne and especially in the subu'bs of Francvill that the water was in the goodma' Mynttoons howse xiiij ynches deepe that the howshold were fayne to assennd up to their chambers a lofte and contynuid there untill Moonday morninge before it dep'tid clene owt of the howses and thosse w^{ch} cam to the market bothe of contrey folks as inhabitants in the sayd subu'bs were fayne to passe to and fro the sayd towne in bargs and boates and the water kept still at the horsefayre mowthe for the space of 7 or 8 dayes.

This yere and the xth day of Januarie beinge Saturdaye and in the after noone of the same daye one Thomas Yeavans

of Oswestrie gentil' was shamefully murdered under the Wilde copp against the redd lyon in the sayde towne of Shreusburie by one Rychard Twysse trumpeter and servaunt to one master Williams the whiche Twisse cam behynd the sayde Evans in feyghteinge withe one Emery a fellowe of the sayde Twisse and thrust hym throughe the bodie with a rapiar who toocke his horsse and presently withe all speed passid on horse backe throughe the towne and throughe the water in Franckevill beinge so highe in gallopinge throughe the sayd water most desperatly for it was soe suddenly doon and feightinge withe another & presse of people so thicke about them that it was not knowen untill he fell downe a non after the wounde and then knowledge had the sayde Twisse was pursuid with hughe and crye but cowl'd not be ov'take' & so as yeat not taken.

This yeare and sethins the begininge of November untill the saide p'sent daye of January the winde contynwid almost ev'y daye very ruggid in the weast & northe west for the space of 9 or ten weeks verey unquiet and mutable wether without any greate frost or snowe to speake of contrarie to usuall tyme.

This yeare and the xxixth daye of Januarie was the towne sessions of gaole delyv' callyd againe in the towne of Shreusburie for that daye as conscerninge the sayde murther at the whiche was condemnid Humffrey Cleye of Shreusburie paynter for that he p'curid the brawle and was bustelinge withe them and gave before threteninge woords in that behalffe and had judgme't to goe to the place of execuc'on but was keapt and repri'd for a tyme and greate freenship made by Mr. Thomas Leight'n beinge capte' of the traynid men (of w^{ch} number he beinge one) sekinge wth others to save hym yf they can.

This yeare & y^e 12th daye of Februarie 1595 about eveninge of the same daye a child of one Ric' Hoggins weav' whose name was Mary Hoggins of the adge of 4 yeres old was murdered in the Fishestrete by a burde fallinge uppon hir she plainge there wth other children the other escapid but she was kyllyd the more was the pyty yf it had so plesid God.

This yeare and in the moonthe of Marche to saye the . . . day of the same the old buyldinge in the cornemarket place was agreid to be take downe and the tymber worcke therof was sold to serten of the townes me' and withe all speed to erect and buyld in the place withe stoane and tymber a s'mpteous hall a loft and a lardge marcke howse for corne benethe and it is to be notid that the serche and foondac'on was a quart' of a yeare before it was fynishid and so the stoane

woorcke was begon the 15 day of June followinge and was fynishid and almost coverid before the baylyffs of the sayde towne wentt owt of their offices at my'helmas followinge.

This yeare and the 30 day of July A°. 96 a child of Thomas Foxes of Salop husbandma' of 2 yeares olde playeing with other childre' in the cornem'kett was murtherid in the corn-market in Shreusburie withe a pece of tymber being placid there wth other tymber against Phillip Pignons housse did fall uppon hir and pressid the sayd child to deathe before any helpe cam. and the reast escapid.

This yeare 1596 Mr. Robart Needam Esq^r. was Sheref & kept the som' assise in Salop y^e 26 of August.

1596-7 John Webbe & Nycholas Gybbons Baylyffs.

This yeare and the first daye of October beinge Friday and the elect'on daye for y^e foresaid Baylyffs was chosen common sargiant Edward Lloid corviser Francys Betton shoemaker sergia't to Mr. Webb and Thomas Phellips baker sergia't to Mr. Gibbonns.

This yeare and the 21 day of November 1596 one John Ludlowe the soon of Roger Ludlo of Salop weav' hanged hym sellffe in his fathers house the cause therof was not knowe' but thought to bee his owne wickid purpose beinge a youthe not fullye in his sencies so that before at soondrie tymes assayde thesse wickid meanes to ennde his lyfe but was preventid and scene unto. God be m'cyfull unto us and blesse us all withe his gracious spyrite and to lyve in his love and feare. Amen.

This yeare is further to be notid that greate tempest of thunder wynde and rayne hathe ben for the most parte sethins mihelmas last and especially uppon the 27 day of Novemb'r a bout thre of the clocke in the after noone was about Shreusberie sutche extreeme tempest of wynnde rayne and thoonder wth lighteninge.

This yeare there was by the baylyffs and alderme' of Shreusberie wth the commons of the same provision made for corne at Loondon the whiche cam from Danswicke Denmarke and those foren places to ease all England and especially Loondon of the excessyve prices w^{ch} corne bare all England ov' and especially in Shreusberie so that there was p'vidid a bove 3200 bushell at the least for Shreusberie and cam by the way of Bristowe and was sold to the commons there after the rate of 8s. the bushell of rie whiche was in the markett at 12s. and better and wheate at 14 & 15s. and also there was preparid to be bakid of the sayde rye 40 bushells weeckely by the towne bakers in peny breed two peny bredd three peny bread and

fourē peny bredd for the poore to have it for their money w^{ch} had not nor were not able to by any other bigger porcion then by the peny ijd. iijd. or a grote whiche for want of the same were lycke to perrishe and were so unruly and gredie to have it so that the baylyffs vj men & other officers had mutche a doe to serve the'. The God most mightie sennd plentie y^t his chosen flocke perrishe not and dy for want as many in all contrees in England die and goe in greate numbers myserably abegginge and leve their howses and be not able to lyve.

This yeare and the xth daye of Januarie 1596 beinge Tuesday after twelffe day and the quarter seassions for the shire in Shrosbury did contynewe and holld a bove his ordinarie course whiche was iij dayes the cause was thus they houlde therewithall a gaole delyv' of the shyre prison's beinge about 50 in number whereof were 12 put to execuc'on 7 burnt in the hand and 6 apointid to be whipt and the rest for waunt of bills of indictme't were reicornid untill the next quarter seassions or assises.

This yeare and the 20 day of January beinge Thursday senight after the sayd quarter sessions of the shire the towne seassions of gaole delyvi' was holde' whe'in sutche towne prison's that were foound under the value were lett passe at libertie painge for their irons and chardgs whiche continewed also untill Saturday in the after noon because the saide baylyffs had mutche a doe withe inmates and idle p'soons pesteringe the towne in examinge of the' and so drive' owt of the towne to their owne coontres for that they repaired in greate numbers owt of soondrie coountries to lyve idely and loyteringly overchardginge & hinderinge the chepnies of come beinge so exceedinge deere by whiche meanes the poore inhabitants had lesse releeffe to their utter undoinge. God amend it whe' hys will is. Amen.

This yeare and the xiiijth daye of April. 1597 a bout 4 of the clocke of the same in the after noone there did raine in the towne of Ludlowe wheate¹ in soom smale quantitie and there was gathered upp a pint of the same whiche was delyv'id to the Lorde President there of y^e Marches beinge then at Ludlowe Castell and soom of it brought to the towne of Shreusbury, there did the licke fall in Ponspery and som the licke in Shreusbury verey shortly after the sayd grayne beinge thre square soom in p'fect forme and some blacke & softer the' the naturall forme but full of flowre and thinnir ryndid

¹ This supposed wheat was no doubt the tubers of the common Pilewort, *Ranunculus Ficaria* (L).

then the naturall God for his mercies sake turne all to the beast and take pitie uppon us and gyve us all grace to repent and amend. Ame'.

This yeare and abouts the myds of May corn cam to be at the deerist for wheate was at 18s. the bushell and rye at 15s. beanes at 13s. chesse at 4*d*. the pound and all other victells after the lycke rate.

This yeare and the 21 of June was one Jhon Arrowsmythe the soon of Thomas Arrowsmythe of Shreusburie shoemaker drownid in Seevarn bathinge of hym the same daye.

This yeare and the secoond daye of July A^o p'dict master Thomas Sturrys¹ of Shrewsburie and a gentill^r by birthe of good callinge and soomtymes baylyff of Shrewsburie was drownid passinge hym selffe over the water of Sevarn towards his place at Rossall and in landi'ge hym sellffe beinge to slowe havinge one foote uppon the land and a nother on the boate the boate slyppyd from the one foote before he could recover his body to land and so fell backward into the watter and so was drownid w^{ch} was a pitifull case.

This yeare and the 28th of August the greate assise was kept in thys towne of Shrewsburie and contynewed from Moonday untill Wensday at noone w^{ch} was verey bussie and a quicke dispatche consideringe the gaole beinge so greate in the whiche were condemnid to dye 7 prisoners the w^{ch} goinge to execut'on the sayd Wensday in the after noone there were 6 hangid & one brought backe againe to be savid who was chargid withe the stealinge of a bagge of corne but he wolld have taken hys deathe that he did fynd the same and so consideringe the extreeme dearthe and scarsetie of the yeare was pitied. Mr. Edward Skryve² Esquire beinge Shyrreff who cam in wth the Judges most valiantly and kept in Shreusbury duringe the tyme of his contynuaunce a plentiful howse.

This yeare & in the month of Septe'ber was kept the towne seassions of Salop of gaoll delyvi'.

1597-8 Thomas Burnell & Rychard Chirwell Baylyves.

This yeare the three sergeaunts were to say commun s'giant Willyam Barnes shoemaker Roger Phillipps tann' sergia't to Mr. Baylyf Burnell and Phillip Willdinge sargiant to Mr. Baylyf Chirwell.

This yeare and in the moonthe of February 1597 was a sessme't grauntid by bothe baylyffs withe the woorshipps and

¹ "1597 July 2 Thomas Stury Esq. buried drowned at Little Berwick."—*St. Mary's Register*.

² Of Frodesley. Arms :—*arg* guttée de sang, a lion rampant *sa*.

whole consents of the p'rishion's of Sainct Chadds¹ in Shrosbury of the soom of xxx*li* and upwards towards the payment of the newe castinge of the bells in the sayde churche w^{ch} the frames wheeles & bell ropes of the same w^{ch} were sore decayed and the bells owt of tune and order whiche weare cast & brought in tune and all other things fynisheed before witsontyde followinge beinge in June, it is to be notid that bothe the baylyves of thys towne weare this yeare of the sayd p'rishe beinge verey forward in y^e same.

This yeare Lent assises was kept at Bridgenorthe the . . . day of Marche 1597 beinge then Shyreffe Mr. Charles Fox Esquire.

This yeare in Aprill and in the Ester weeke was a great cockfeight and other pastymes kept in Shreusbury at Rychard Hortoon's house beinge geylar of the towne upon whose backsid a howse and the pitt was made for the peaple to staund and soe stand saffe from weather unto the w^{ch} cam Lords Knights and gentilmen at the w^{ch} was grete soms of money woon and lost. The matche was made betweene the Cocks of Cheshire and Lanekashir against the cocks of Shropshire and Wales thidir cam Lunden^a. wth their cocks whiche held wth Shropshiremen but in the ennd the Cheshireme' and Lancashir had the victory and wentt away wth the gaynes of greate soms of money.

This yeare and the 7th day of Julii were serte' sowldiars mustrid in Shrosburie and the shire about for Ireland who dep'tid towards Ireland the next day followinge by 4 of the clocke in y^e morninge beinge Saturday and y^e 8 day of July by water towards Bristowe.

This yeare & the xiiijth day of July 1598 beinge Thursday the towne sessionns of Salop of gaoll delyvery was kept there for all sutch towne prisoners as theire weere to have their tryall at w^{ch} seassions master Townshend his woorshipp beinge of late chose' by the consent of the communs to be their Steward sate as iudge upon them & there were 3 executid.

The next daye followinge beinge the xijth day [July] there was won Joanes a Shropshyrma' executyd at Sainct Mary Watterings who studd stowtely a gainst the Queene's M^{ts} proceedings being a semynary.

This yeare master Thomas Sherar² beinge an Alderman of the towne of Salop and boarne in the same and of lonnge tyme

¹ In Phillips, p. 85, is a view of old St. Chad's Church.

² Son of Edward Sherar by Alice, daughter of John Harris, of Cruckton. He had two wives, and left a large family.

belonginge to the counsell beinge one of the chyffist clarks in the same as also the keaper and regestiar of the boockes theare and cheeffe examiner of deepe causes was buried the towne of Salop the xxviiijth daye of July A°. 1598 and died in Bewdley where he was attendaunt upon hys offie the counsell the' lyeinge there, who was solemely buried and mooche moane made for & especially of his kynn and lyse me' who had been good to the' & his servaunts.

This yeare Lady Margaret Newport¹ of Eytoon and in the county of Salop wydowe dep'tid this present lyfe the xjth daye of August A°. p'd and was buried at Rocketter the next day followinge beinge hir will so and the xxixth day of August all the bells in Shreusburry dyd ringe in remembrance of hyr the whiche towne she lovyd well and she was beloved of the inhabytants therin there was bestowyde uppon the poore that day xxli besyds many other places in the coonterey verely amply, she was a verteous lady in all hyr lyfe tyme and verely good to the poore in towne & coontrey.

This yeare and the xxxj daye of August beinge Thursday the greate assises was kept in Shresbury the Shirrefe whose name was Mr. Charles Foxe who brought in the iudgs upon Wensday at night before verely woorshippfully withe a goodly trayne in the whiche assises were condemnid and executed uppon the thrid day of Septe'ber beinge Saturday in the afternoon 5 prysoners after the departinge of the iudgs whiche prysoners wennt to their execut'on verely stubburnly & desperately, and wold neither repennt nor praye and when the Sherrefe wold admonishe the' to repentance and to confesse for the example of others they wold andswer hym so stubbornly and saye that they cam not thyder to preache.

This yeare and in the moonthe of Septe'ber at the ennde of the same month corne was sold in Shrewsburie to say Rye the bushell at 3s. 4d. and wheate at iijs. and 4s. 4d. the bushell and other grayne ac'odi'ge.

1598-9 John Perche Alder' & Rychard Dawes Baylyffs.

This yeare 1598 and y^e 6th day of October beinge the Friday next after Myhelmas daye beinge also upon a Fridaye were chosse' the forsayde Mr. John Pearche Alderma' and Mr. Richard Dawes Baylyffs and Richard Teanche commun sargia't and the other two sargia'ts were Robart Smythe shoemaker and Thomas Coomiye taylor to saye the sayd R^t Smythe sargia't to Bayly Pearche and T. Toomiy shergya't to Bayly Dawes.

¹ Her altar tomb of effigies of herself and her husband, Sir Francis Newport, is on the south side of the Chancel of Wroxeter Church.

This yeare and the eighth of January beinge Monday there were two of the Clarcks beinge watermen and dwellinge in Shreusburie were drownid in passinge wth a bardge throughe the Walsh bridge laden wth wood and other more in danger of drowninge at the same tyme it is further to be understood that the bardge that they were in was their owne beinge in towne 3 breethre¹ in all whouse names were to say Edward Clarke John Clarke and Richard Clarke cooming all downe the water lade² as a foresayd and thinckinge to shute the bridge the ennd of the same towchinge the bridge tornyd the same a crosse the bridge overwhelmyd and they all fell into the water Edward the eldist escapid by greate lucke, John and Richard beinge drownyd and y^e water the³ beinge greate Richard beinge the yongist was not foound before Saturday followinge being the xijth day of Februarie at Bulgars loade¹ under the wall and John was nott foonde before the 8 day of Februarie which was 31 dayes after his drowninge and was foond betweene the Beyond the Walls & Stury's Closse stickinge at the roote of a wythye.

This yeare and the 16th daye of February was the gaole delyvi² in Shrosbery in the whiche there was but one executud whose name was Dod who was a notable theffe or ells he hadd not suffered no more the³ the ooder dyd for Mr. Townsshend² beinge Stuarde and Judge over them was so full of pitie and mercy that his woorschipp did what was possible for the lyfe.

The greate Assize was kept in Bridge northe the 5th day of Marche A^o p^rdicto beinge Shyreffe of Shropshire S^r Edward Kynnaston knight³ who cam in thider most woorthely and kept there sutch a bowntyfull howse for most of the gentilme² and others strangers besydes the townes men there also invitid wth comm^s and gears that the inholders were speedily hyndred y^t the licke there was nev^r seene.

This yeare and the 4th daye of June A^o. 1599 the counsell of the Marches of Wales cam to this towne of Shreusburie to kepe tearme there and contynewed but one tearme and departed here hence seale and all the 6 of July the towne being

¹ Bulgerode was a gate or postern at the bottom of Roushill.

² Henry Townshend, of Count, Esq., afterwards Sir Henry (3rd son of Sir Robert Townshend, chief justice of Wales), buried at Count 9th Dec., 1621. His daughter Elizabeth married Edward Cresset, Esq., of Upton Cresset. See also *Trans. Shropsh. Arch. Soc.*, 3, 130.

³ Of Oteley, father of Sir Francis Kynaston, a poet and scholar, Esquire of the Body to Charles I., and Regent of the "Museum Minervæ." Arms :—az., a lion rampant sa.—Blakeway's *Sheriffs*.

woorse the' the better for the' because they made provision for the' for two tearmes and keapt but one.

This yeare and the xvijth daye of August the greate assise was keapt in Shrewsbury beinge Shireffe therof Sir Edward Kinnaston who cam in to r's the iudges valiantly and keapt ope' howse to all comm's for beere and beeffe and sumptous cheere at hys sett table for gentilme' strangers and me' of accompt com where of that sort wolld & wellcom.

This yeare and the 7th of September beinge Fryday the towne seassions of Shreusberye was hollden in the w^{ch} were condemnyd of towne pryson's . . . & the rest sayyd beinge Stuard and iudge of them master Townsend a most woorthy Esquire.

This yeare & the xvijth day of September beinge Soonday was burnt by myschance of fyer in the night tyme in a villedge wthin a myle of the towne of Shrewsbury callyd Brase Meele two howses and a barne full of corne downe to the grownd w^{ch} was by the meanes of leavinge an ennd of a candell burninge that the fyer coming in the dead of the night all was spoylid before it could be stayde or any thinge to any a compt sayyd.

This yeare dep'tid this p'sent lyffe Sir Ryc' Shutterworthe beinge Justice in the counsell of the M'ches of Wales who was a just conscionable & pitifull man & good to the poore.

1599-1600 Master Thomas Edwards & master Edward Owen Baylyffs.

This yeare and the 5th daye of October A^o 1599 beinge the Frydaye next followinge after Myhelmas daye beinge the usuall day for the election of Baylyffs and Officers for the towne of Shrewsbury were electyd, and chosen Baylyves the foresayd master Thomas Edwards Esquire & mr. Edward Owen Alderman and commen sargiant Rychard ap Richard weaver and y^e two other sargiaunts were Richard Hardinge the yonger taylor sargiant to Mr. Edwards & Geordge Phellips sherman sargiant to Mr. Owen.

Further there ys to be noted that after the choosinge of master Edwards to be Baylyffe he wold not bee nor take the office uppon hym but stodd uppon a pryvedge¹ of the howse he dothe dwell in beinge in tymes past a colledge¹ and therefore he sayd he ought nott to be nottth standinge beinge a good gentilman and at lengthe pswadid beinge made of love by his frynnys was contentt and did r's his office thanckfully uppon this condic'on that uppon the choise of two lernyd men the

¹ The College of St. Chadd,

one for the towne and the ooder for hym sell that yf it were iudgid by the freedom of his howse that he shulld not be chargid withe that office yeat woldd he serve the office the yeare owt and never after to be charged withe any agayne, and yf it fell owt by lawe in their iudgeme'ts that hee ought and most take y^m office then to be contentyd withe good will to r's the same when herafter itt shulld fortune by ord^r and turne to fall to his lott.

This yeare and the 6 of October Mr. Robart Ireland Esquire departid this present lyffe who was a stowt protestant and a furtherar of the poore, a good house keeper and one y^t keptt greate countenance in his proseedings in this towne he died godly in good remembraunce unto the last ennde and was solemnly buried in Saint Chadds churche in Shreusbury for whom were many weeping teares & greate moane he will be myssid of his kinsfolke and freeunds.

The baylyves this yeare dyd diligently looke unto and ov'see the bakers in especially and others artyfysors bothe in their assises of breadd and other weights and measures for over charginge the poore in more obstricter maner the' hathe been done before.

This yere was apoyntid a cryar for the night tyme (whose name ys Rychard Morrys beinge the commune bellman of Salop for the daye) to krye and call throughe the towne in the night gyvinge all peeple knowledge of the clocks to take heede of doores & locks, of fyre and candell light & so byddinge them all good nyght w^{ch} is a good order to avoyd the dangers that might followe.

This yeare and in the moonthe of November to say the 29 day a welthy tanner of Whittingtoon called Iveson drownid hym sellffe in a smale water by his owne house beinge a man of good yeares and a verrey honest man in all his dealings w^{ch} caused his neyghboors and people to marvell mutche therat, but ov' com withe the wickid spirite as the Dyvill is most busiest uppon good peapell to woорcke his will to alter theyre good meanings, y^t most tymes forget to call uppon God bringethe the' to desperac'on God gyve us all grace to call uppon hym that wee be not temptid above our strengthe Amen.

This yeare and in thesse baylyves tymes and the xxixth day of December in the nyght there was a barne of corne and hey burnt of mystres Langles wydowe¹ dwellinge in the Abbey of

¹ This was the widow of Richard Langley, of the Abbey, gent, who died 1587, the son of Wm. Langley, the purchaser of the Abbey. Mrs. Elizabeth Langley was d. and coh. of Wm. Poyner, of Abbey foregate, gent.

Shreusbury throughe the myschance of a candle laft negligently in the oxehouse sarving them the same nyght, and yf great help had not been the oxen and all had been burnt, and the husband that was so neelygent roon away. The barne was full of wheate rye & hey havinge therby greate losse.

This yeare & y^e thrid daye of m^che beinge mu'day the greate assise was kept at Bridgenorthe beinge Sherriffe Mr. Humfrey Lea¹ of Longnor who kept a bountyfull howse there.

This yeare & the xth of Marche Hoomfrey Sherars howse of Salop sherma' dwellinge in the Barkers streete was by myschance sett on fyre throughe a kill y^t hee had & no grete harme doon savinge y^e kill was burnt & all the malt theron, the housse beinge wette and filthely slabbered by reasoon of ye speedy helpe of the water in tanpitts hard by was in good tyme slakid.

This yeare and the vijth daye of Aprill one Robart beinge ostelar of the Redd Lyon in Shreusburie goinge whomeowards to visit his ffrennds was sett on by the way by one David Davies ali's Cricke uppon an old grudge and in fyght withe the company of a taylor that cam in company withe the sayd Davies the sayd ostelar was slayne by the sayd Davies about Hadnall goinge uppon his iurney.

There was this weeke in the sayd towne of Salop div'se houses frightened with fyre throughe the neckligence of loockinge to kills as to say Rycharde Yemans tann' and Cundertoons howse a bruar in the Abbey foreyate but thancks be to God no harme doon.

The xixth daye of Aprill A^o p'd a servant of master Thomas Onslows of borow Attoon neere Baschurche in the countie of Salop whose name was Peter Carter stood uppon the pillorie with a paper uppon his hedd as concerninge a vehement suspic'on in hym to pretend y^e poysoinge of his sayd Mr., the dishe and spone w^{ch} servid hym wth poddedg wherin the poyson was and p'tly of the poyson that was laft in the bottoom of the same of the w^{ch} he tasted beinge p'sently sycke of the same notwithstandinge by Gods goodnes escapid the danger of deathe.

This yeare one John Ockeley of Awburburie a husband ma' belonginge to Mr. Thomas Leighton whose tenan't he also was his howse was burnt throughe a kill & lost above *cl*i** for all was burnt.

¹ Of Lee Hall, Langley and Acton Burnell, created a Baronet 1620. Arms:—*gu.* a fesse componée *or* and *az.* between 8 billets, 4 in chief and 4 in base *arg.* There are views in Mrs. S. Acton's *Garrisons and Mansions of Lee Hall, Langley and Acton Burnell.*

This yeare and the 17th daye of Maij beinge Saturday and as it fell owt thys yeare to be trynytie soonday eeeve one master Thomas Leighton Esquire of Watelsboorow by Awburberie in the countie of Salop beinge capte' of all the traynyd men in Shroppshire and a woorthy stowt gentil' and wel-belovid of y^e whole shire who was woont to trayne the' in y^e towne of Salop dep'tid this p'sent lyffe about ix of the clocke in the forenoone of the sayd day whose sowle God take to his mercy. Amen.

This yeare and about this tyme all kynnde of corne began to rise to say wheate at 7s rye at vs vjd otts at 2s 8d &c and is feared will com to be deerar. the cause is iudgid that throughe the greate waunt of fodder and grasse many me' in most places were forsed to thrashe upp their corne from stoare to feed and save their cattell for they were willinge to delyv' one hallffe of their cattell to feed the oder and especially in Wales notwithstandinge great numbers of cattell dyed, the tyme of yeare was so hard that scant in the beginnunge of May was any blossom of tree or grasse apeeringe to any good effect. God wee hope will mend it. Amen.

This yeare and the 17th daye of June the towne sessions in Shrewsberie of gaole deliv' was kept there then and those prison's y^e were there weare all savid savinge one whose name was David Davies a shoemaker & boarne in the sayde towne who was executid for murtheringe the ostelar of the redd lyon of the same towne who was all the tyme of his apprehencion and abode in warde wickedlye and desperately mynded but goinge to his execuc'on mortified and dyed godly and patiently God bee prayseed.

This yeare 1600 and in the monthe of June cam from Loondon Sr Edward Lewckn' to be iustis of the counsell in the m'ches of Wales and toocke his place in the rowme of Sir Richard Shittelwoorthe discessyd beinge a verteous man and good to the poore.

This yeare & the 24 of June A^o p'd beinge Mydsomm' daye the good Esquire Tho'as Leighton of Watelsborowe in the countie of Salop, his funeral was solempnised there wth the number of all y^e traynid souldiars of Salop in battell raye and most valiantly shott of their peces at the buriall and returninge thence in m'ginge aray departed acordinge to the usuall order of their champion and Capten as he was ov' them most pytfully to behold.

This yeare and the 31 of July was the grete assyse kept in Shrewsburie fallinge upon a Thursdaye beinge shireffe of the shire Mr. Humffrey Lea who cam in withe y^e iudges upon

Wensday before in y^e afternoone with a goodly company in brave order in the whiche assyses all those pryson's w^{ch} were cast had their boocks & were savid so there was non put awaye.

This yeare & the 3th daye of August beinge Soonday a Walshe boye of Thomas Gittins of Franckvill goinge in the morninge withe a trottinge mare towarrds the fillde and rydinge uppon the same was throwne downe of hir uppon his head and so broosyd y^t he nev' spake woorde but died presently after.

1600-1 Mr. William Joanes & Mr. Tho'as Lewis Baylyffs.

This yeare & the thrid day of October 1600 beinge the Friday next after Myghelmas daye the usuall daye for the elect'on of the newe Baylyffs & offic's for the towne of Shreusburie were chossen the sayd Mr. W^m Joanes & Mr. Thomas Lewis beinge bothe Alderme' Baylyffs as y^s aforesayd & John Gittins butcher common sergia't and the other two sargiants were to say John Buttery weav' sergia't to Mr. Balyffe Joanes and Thomas Maninge draper s'giaunt to Mr. Baylyffe Lewis. And it is further to be notid y^t the Electors weare longe tyme in controv'sy in agreinge upon the commun sergiant beinge two in force of elect'on to saye John Gittins & Fraunc's Bettoon notwithstandinge at the ennd they all agreeid that their severall names shuld be bothe putt into the bagge and the towne clarcke to pull owt one of them and he y^t was by hym puld owt shuld be common sergia't and so he pullid owt the sayd John Gittins who had the office as aforesayd & so was all endid.

This yeare Henry Earle of Pembroke beinge Lord President of the Marches of Wales departed this present lyfe in December A^o dⁿⁱ 1600 and was buried at London in Lennt followinge withe greate solempnitie he contynued in this sayd office but y^e space of xiiij^{te} yeares.

This yeare and in the moonthe of Januarie were apointed by the sayd Baylyffs serten to brewe beere and ale for the towne of Shrewsbury and to put downe all pan brewars especially commen alehouses that usedd bruinge but the inholders might yf they thought beast to brewe for the utterance and provision of them selves and intertayneme't of their gheasts.

This yeare and the 10th daye of February cam certificats to all Sherreffs baylyffs and officers in hir m^{ties} name all England over and the sayde daye to the Baylyves of this Towne of Shrewsbury wth greate chardge in hir m^{ties} name for dilligent wetche and warde and to kepe theire towne and liberties in good order and peace, and to suppress all tumowts, unlawfull assemblis and rebellion y^t might happen.

The xvth of Februarie cam downe to Shreusburie datid the 9th of February a p'clamacon as concerninge y^e rysinge of the sayd Earle [of Essex] and disobedience used to my L. Keeper beinge chyffe iudge of England and others in lockinge them upp in his house beinge sennd for.

This yeare & the xxijth of Marche was the greате assyse in Bridgenorthe beinge Shirreff for the shire Sr Frances Newport beinge a woorthy & a valiant man.

This yeare & in the beginninge of June corne was deare to say wheate at 8s. 6d. and rye at 7s. and for want of gresse & scarsnes of money all kinde of cattell resonably chepe as to say horses kyne and sheepe.

This yeare to say all the moonthe of June & July was extreeme hott drie and dustie y^t the grasse in many places for the most p't burnid verey sore that haye becam so deare to say 15s. 16s. 18s. & 20s. and upwards for the loade of heye as the loads were and smale gressinge for cattell.

This yeare and in these Baylyffs tymes the towne seassions of gaole delyvi' in Shreusberie was holden the xvj and xvijth daye of July where there were many prysoners but only one executed callyd Bowckley and the reast sauid under the value but were poornyshed and whippid.

This yeare & the 30 of July beinge Thursdaye the greате Assise was kept in Shreusburie w^{ch} contynewed 3 dayes beinge Shyrreff of the Shire Sr Frances Newport, the iustices therof were Justes Walmsby & iustice Warberton bothe of the common place unto the w^{ch} assyse cam mutche people by reasonn of the fayre and sysses chanced to coom togeather notwithstandinge bothe gentill' & yome' sparid their purses money beinge scant and many beinge neere the towne cam on foote and the horseme' sutch as were made short karyeing: the iudgs cam into the towne upon Thursdaye morninge and contynewyd unto Saturday eveninge and the' departed no further the' master Owens of Coondor at w^{ch} assyses were many prison's but were all sauid. God graunt the' grace to amend Amen.

This yeare and the 6 day of August 1601 there were sowldiars sennt into Ireland owt of Shropshire to say the number of 50 wherof the towne & liberties did furnyshe and sennt 3 the names of whom were Thomas ap Thomas laborar Danyell Morris sherman and another of the liberties whose name was Edward Cloobb butcher dwellinge at Montfords bridge and dep'tid all towards Bristowe y^e same daye.

This yeare and the 24 day of September A^c pred' there were chose' in the castell of Salop knights for the shire Mr. Roger

Owen Esquire and Mr. Thomas Egertoon my Lord Keepers soon to gyve attendance on the parlyment apointid to begin at Westminster the 24 of October next ensuinge but reiornd 3 days further.

1601-2 Rychard Hyggns & Thomas Joanes Baylyffs.

This yere and y^e secoond day of October 1601 beinge Fryday next after Mihelmas daye the usuall daye for y^e election of the newe Baylyffes & offic's for the towne of Shrewsbury were chosen the sayd Mr. Rychard Hyggns tann' and Mr. Thom' Joanes soon unto Mr. William Joanes draper, Baylyffs and William Bowdelar sherma' common sergia't and the other two sergians were Willyam Hurst shoemaker sergiant to Mr. Baylyff Hyggyns and Thomas Davis taylor s'gia't to Mr. Baylyff Joanes.

This yere and the 6th daye of October 1601 beinge Teusday in the morni'ge was a lyttle howse of Thomas Jones shoemaker beinge upon the Walshe bridge over the water in Shreusberie som p't of it burnt withe fyer w^{ch} cam by mychance of the snoffinge of a caundle wherin he lost mutche of hys stuffe & apparrell to his greate hinderance & partly undoinge.

This yere & y^e 15th day of October beinge Thursday were chosen burgesses of the parlyment for the towne of Shreusberie Mr. Reignold Scryve' esquire and Mr. John Barker of Hamoonde in the choise of whom was greate adoe.

There is further to be noted the comen sargiant whiche was chossen this yere for the towne of Shreusbery Willia' Bowdelar by name as aforesayd after he had taken his othe woldd not be bonde to the same and gave ov' y^e same and in his place was chose' and swoorne Robert Ball glov' who supplyethe the place for this yere.

This yere & the 29th daye of October one Mr. Roger Luter was buried in Saynt Chadds in Shreusbery who had ben thrise Baylyfe of the sayd towne and was also Alderma' &c but gave over his cloke because he gavo hym selffe to dwell in the coontrey and toward his later dayes repayreed into the towne agayne where he dyed, hee was 44 yeares olde when he was fyrst made baylyfe w^{ch} was in y^e yere of o^r Lord God 1543 so y^t hee lyved 90 yeares beinge a wisema' havinge his memory & speeche to y^e last howre God be praysed who lyeth buried in the Lady Chappell as may apeere overhadd in sight the pictures or proporc'on of Lute's signifieinge his aw'cietris names whoo made the ruffe of the same beinge therunder buried he was a gentil' of smale launds yeat by his wisdom countenance and wise governme't bare it owt wth sutch

credit that twise his betters did not bere the licke portt of humanytie.

This yeare and upon Christmas daye in the morninge throughe grete tempests of weather and rayne that Severn water did rise in the suburbs of Shreusberie into the inhabitants howses there w^{ch} contynewed 5 dayes together y^t the peaple there kept a loft in their chambers withe sutch p'vision the had or could be brought to them by water and at the 5th dayes ennd began to fall that the inhabitants might goe downe to their howses, but w^{thin} two days followinge it did rise agayne within a foote of the same height w^{ch} contynewid two dayes beinge a very hevye Christmas & discomfortable to the sayd inhabytaunts for it troublid them sore in washinge downe their walles ovens & furnases to their greate hinderance & losses besides.

This yeare & the 28 daye of January beinge y^e Thusday before Candelmas day A^c. p'd Syvern water did ryse agayne into the said suburbs of Shreusberie into those formar peoples howses but not so highe as the first water was by threearte' of a yard and wennt downe the next day after but did smale hurtt, so that so often of risinge & slowinge of waters fyrst and last so neere together of sutch contynuanee wth extreeme wyndes hathe not been seene this hundreed yeares before.

This yeare and the 8th of Marche was the greate assize for thys tyme kept at Bridge northe beinge Shyrriffe of the shyre Mr. Francis Newton¹ who dyd welcom in the indggs there very soberly and wysely to hys creadid.

This yeare and about the myds of Trynitie tearm beinge in June A^c. p'd the Lord Edward Sowche was made Lorde President of the Marches of Wales who cam not downe unto Ludlow castell to take there his place before the 14th daye of August followinge God sennd hym longe lyffe to e'ioye the same wth m'eye & iustice Amen.

This yeare and the 19th daye of July was the greate assize kept in Shrewsburye but the iudgis cam in the day before conducted by the Sherref of the sayd shire whose name was master Francis Newton² very bravely brought in by hym beinge a sober and wyse gentilman whiche kept an oppe' house bothe for victell and beere coom that coom wouldd at whiche assize were condempned 4 persons wherof were but 3 executed and the fourthe beinge beggyd of the Judggs by the Shirref and freends was from the tree backe againe & savid.

¹ 2 Of Heightley, grandson of Sir Peter Newton, Sheriff in 1503.
Arms:—arg., a cross formée fleury, sa. ends or.—Blakeway's *Sheriffs*.

This yeare and in this moonthe of August were men pressyd in Shropshire to say the number of 50 p'sonns for Irelaund of the w^{ch} number the towne of Shrewsberie did fynde two p'sonns.

This yeare and against Lammas daye were most p't of Englaund ov' p'vydid for one kinde of bushell afte' the order of London or Wynchester measure w^{ch} mesure is lesse than the oldd usual bushell by a pecke so that the newe bushell is but three whoopes and after that order to be rebatid in the price of the oldd bushell in Shreusber as also in other townes and places accordinge to their prises and sysees notwthstandinge som towards Wales and Chester do stande against the alterac'on because they say it was not agreid by p'lyme't the whiche is contrarie to reason seinge one equall measure ought to be all England ov' whiche is more commendable then one syze of measure in one place and a nother in another place to dyffer mutche from another and of sondry alterac'ons beinge underne the one prynce and iurisdic'on.

This yeare and in this moonthe of Septe'ber harvist was slacke beinge a weery harvest the tyme beinge most p't moyst that there was aboondance of gresse evi' where and the corne in many places cloggid with tarr and the wether so uncertayne that neyther corne nor heye cowld scant in season be takin in notwithstandinge for all that there was plenty althoughe the harvist was long and a late harvist by means wherof the newe lyttill bushell of wheate cam to 4s. 4d. and 4s. 8d. and so all other graine accordinge to the same rate, all garden seedes as onyons porwt beanes pease and other mounted all upp to the topp and cam to no p'fect perfect'on for lacke of warme and drie weather especially onynions w^{ch} roon upp into the blade that shulld have ben in the headd and the onyon seeds for lacke of drought and drye weather fell owt to be quassed and eaten wth birds that were greate losse in them, Smales store of mast, small store of aples pearces and plumbs and especially in the coontreys of Worcester and Glocest' w^{ch} coontreys were never woont to fayle so that those coontreys w^{ch} were woont to be refreshid withe greate store of cyder and perye now shall fayne to macke them drinke of mallt w^{ch} will cause mallt in those coontreys to be deere. Also hopps this yeare are scaunt in most places that the C weight was sold at Sturbridge fayre for xli and by retale here in Shrewsbery for ijs. 4d. and 3s. the pounce and non p'fett good to be gott'n the w^{ch} excessyve pryse were nev' hard of before.

This yeare uppon Mychaellmas even and the day also did fall a greate snowe and frost withe all whiche hathe ben silden

seene w^{ch} snowe did beate downe mutche corn whiche did then growe and hay lyeinge a broade but God be praysed did not longe tarrie but hinderid sore the latter ennd of harvist.

1602-3 Mr. John Perche Ald' & Mr. Roger Marshall Baylyffs.

This yeare 1602 and the first day of October beinge the Fryday next after Mycha^s day beinge the usuall day for the choosinge of newe Baylyffs for the towne of Salop the 25 persons that wennt in to the elect'on howse kept there from Friday one of the clocke untill Saturday 6 of the clocke at night and at leangthe agreid and made Mr. John Pearce and Mr. Marshall Baylyffs as aforesayd and Rychard Fawekner corviser common sergiant and the other two sergiantes were Andrew Warner taylor & Rychard Harris taylor to say Warner sergia't to master Baylyffe Pearce and Harris sergiant to Mr Baylyff Marshall.

This yeare and the 30 day of January A^o. 1602 beinge Soon-daye dep'tid this lyfe the woorthy Mrs. Elnor Myttoon late wyfe of Mr. Rychard Myttoon esquire shee was buried the Thursdays followinge verely solumely beinge of the full adge of 90 yeares she was of greate birthe and verely good to the poore vertious & godly she wolld dayly pray most devoutly 3 whole howres before noon & 3 whoale howres in the afternoone & never stoore but those tymes uppon hir knees, the God of peace no doubt hathe rs^d hir to his m'eye Amen.

This yeare and the xiiijth daye of Marche A^o 1602 beinge Munday the greate Assize was kept in Shreusberye for the shire who was Sheirefe of the sayd shire Mr. Roger Kynnastoon¹ beinge iustes of peace dwellinge in Hordley who cam into the towne wth the iudgges the xiiijth day of Marche in the after noone beinge the Soonday before wth a goodly company bothe of hys owne men in lyverey and his well willers & their retynewe about 250 p'soons keepinge a greate port in the sayde towne, there was so many prison's and number of Isipries w^{ch} caused grett multitudes of people to resort the whiche by the quicke dispatch of the sayd iugges sittinge early and late dispatched bothe the gaole & all by Wensday at noone and then dep'tid towards Stafford in the w^{ch} greate assize was condemnid but one man beinge Hughe ap Humphreys base soon of the Crigge' who was executed uppon Thursday in the morninge next followinge & a number burnid in y^e haund.

¹ Grandson of Humphrey Kynaston ("Wild Humphrey"), of Marton in Lordship of Knockin, and great nephew of Sir Thos. Kynnaston, of Hordley, Sheriff in 1599. Arms:—*arg.*, a lion rampant, *sa.*, quartering *erm.*, a chevron *gu.*—Blakeway's *Sheriffs*.

There was a prentise of Salop y^e 16 of Marche in holdinge the iudggis horses to be in a redynes against they dynid sore broosed by the fall of a rotten peece of tymber w^{ch} fell a lofte from under a wyndowe nere where the iudggis cam into dyner throughe y^e leaninge owt of serten people to see the iudges com from the hall the w^{ch} prentise is in greate danger to recov' it.

This yeare and the 17th day of M^che there was a generall watche and commandid to be warely kept bothe night and day w^{ch} is observyd in this towne of Shreusberye acordingely God save the Queenes M^{tie} Amen.

The 27 of Marche A^o p^rdicto beinge Soonday Kinge James was proclaymid in the afternoone of the same daye in the towne of Shreusbery by the Baylyffs & Alderme in theire skarlet gownes wth the woorshipfull and the rest of the commons wth sownde of troompets & droomes worthely and ioyfully in castinge up theire haundes and shakinge of hatts & capps in saigne God save kinge James. Amen.

The 28 of Marche beinge Moonday the Sherriffe of Shropshire then beinge whose names was Justiee Kinnaston wth the Juistices and gentill' of the shire cam to Shreusbery wth theire greate horses and proclamyd there wth sownde of troompit in licke solemne man' for the shire to say James the first kinge of England France & Ireland &c.

This yeare in the later ennde of Marche and beginni'ge of Aprill the wynde dyd rise verrey extreemly whiche did contynewe 4 dayes day & night w^{ch} did mutche hurt in many places.

This yeare and the 24th day of July A^o 1603 the counsell of the Marches of Wales cam to Shreusberye and the seale cam 4 dayes before and they contynewyd the tearme and vakant tyme till the 7th day of October followinge and so departid to Ludlowe wth seale and all w^{ch} was abowt a moonthe after Michalmas.

Such are the extracts which I have made from Dr. Taylor's quaint old MS. Chronicle relating to Shropshire generally, and especially to Shrewsbury. They cannot fail to amuse and interest the reader by their special phraseology, the minute particularity with which events, even those which to us appear trivial, are related, and the insight afforded into the circumstances, habits and customs of the writer's period. Very many incidents and events known from other

sources receive ample and particular confirmation. Many new and unknown circumstances and events are recorded, as for example, the cause of the burning of Shiffnal Church, the building of the Market Hall at Shrewsbury, the early supply of conduit water to the town of Shrewsbury, the purchase of the land on which the springs arise, and the gradual and successive way in which the conduiting apparatus was perfected, the benefactors to whom we owe this comfort, and many others which do not at a moment recur to recollection. The writer was evidently a contemporary of the circumstances which he details, and was a close observer of what occurred around him. This renders his narration the more valuable as relating to an age in which newspapers were not, and in which the every day occurrences of a provincial town would otherwise have sunk into utter oblivion. Words are often used in a peculiar and unusual sense—one only example may suffice, the word "murthered" being used indifferently of wilful or accidental death. On concluding our perusal, one cannot fail to exclaim in the oft-quoted expression of our great national poet, 'Shakspeare: "I could not wish a better chronicler than Griffiths."

LORD HERBERT OF CHIRBURY'S MSS.

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AMONG the many ancient and illustrious families which have been given to her country by our county or which are connected with our county, there are perhaps few who, from their position and antecedents, create a greater interest than that of Herbert. It matters little, perhaps, whether we regard their ancestor Henry Fitzherbert as Chamberlain of King Henry I. (with Ralph Brooke, York Herald), or as the natural son of that Monarch as other genealogists avow, it is certain that he was a person of some standing, since his grandson Herbert Fitz Herbert, son of Herbert Fitz Henry, was considered a fitting husband for the Lady Lucy Eitzwalter, in her own right Lady of the Forest of Deane and sister and co-heir of her brother Henry Fitzwalter Earl of Hereford and Constable of England, who was slain by his servant in the 24th year of Henry the Second's reign. Lady Lucy was daughter of Milo Fitzwalter, who was created Earl of Hereford by Maud the Empress (6 Stephen), her mother being Sibell daughter and heir of Bernard Newmarch Lord of Brecon by conquest, (*gules 5 fusils in fess, or*). Milo was the son of Walter of Gloucester, Constable of England during W^m the Conqueror's time, by Emma sister of Hamelyn Balune Lord and Baron of Aberga-venny. This match in itself was sufficient to make Herbert Fitzherbert a man of note, and to gain respect for his coat of *gules*, 3 lions rampant *or*, now the blazon of the Lord of the Forest of Deane.

Peter the son of Herbert Fitzherbert received from King John the third part of Brecknock and by Alice d^r of . . . St John (*arg.* on a chief *gu.* 2 mullets *or.*) was father of Reginald Fitz Peter, lord and Baron of Llanllovery, who married Joan daughter of William de Fortibus; he was the last to use the old family arms of *gules* 3 lions rampant *or.*, since his son and heir Peter Fitz Reginald altered the tinctures of the shield and bore party per pale *azure* and *gules* 3 lions rampant *argent.* By his wife Alice daughter of Blethyn Brodspere Peter was father of Herbert Fitz Peter who lived in the time of Edward I. and married Margaret daughter of Sir John Welsh, Knight (*erm.* a bend *gu.*), by whom he was father of Adam Fitzherbert lord of Llanhowel. He increased the wealth and influence of the family by his marriage with Christian daughter and sole heir of Gwarin Ddy who bore the arms of the ancient Kings of Gwent, party per pale *azure* and *sable* 3 fleurs de lis *or.* They had issue Sir Thomas Fitz Adams lord of Llanhowel by some called ancestor of the family of Ap Adam and Adams, and a second son Jenkin or John lord of Gwernddu by gift of his mother; he married Gwenllian daughter of Sir Aaron ab Bledri K^t (*arg.* 3 bulls heads *sa.*), and was succeeded by his son William, husband of Gwenllian daughter of Howel Ychan, Esq., and father of a fourth son Thomas of Perthien who married Maud daughter and co-heir of Sir John Morley K^t (*arg.* a lion rampant *sa.*, crowned *or.*), by whom he had several sons, the eldest of whom was Sir William ab Thomas, lord of Raglan who married Gwladys daughter of Sir David Gam.

Howel the fourth son of Thomas son of William was lineal ancestor of the family of Vaughan of Courtfield Co. Hereford. The eldest son Sir William ab Thomas was father of several children concerning whom there is some little difference in the different Pedigrees. Brooke makes Sir George Herbert of St. Julia who married a daughter of Sir Richard Croft and also Sir Walter Herbert who married the Lady Anne sister of Edward Stafford Duke of Buckingham, sons of this Sir William,

while other authorities place Sir George a generation later and this is probably to be preferred.

The eldest son of Sir William ab Thomas was William Herbert created Earl of Pembroke and the third son Sir Richard Herbert of Colebrook. The Earl of Pembroke was a great leader on the side of York in the wars of the roses and so embroiled himself with several of the chief families of Wales. He besieged David ab Ieuan ap Einion in Harlech Castle of which he was constable, and upon requiring him to surrender, received for answer, that when formerly in France, he had there held a castle until all the old women in Wales heard of it, and now he would do the same in Wales until all the old women of France heard of it, and so well did he keep his word that finally Lord Pembroke, unable to obtain possession of the castle by other means, allowed him and his men to depart upon their own terms having given his word for their safety. When however Edward IV. heard of it he refused to ratify Lord Pembroke's promise, whereupon in the true spirit of nobility the Earl requested his sovereign to take his life for that of the Lancastrian leader, and when Edward still hesitated, told him plainly that rather than break his plighted word he would restore David ap Ieuan to his stronghold and he (the king) might get him out of it if he could. The Earl however at a later period of his life failed in the Godlike quality of mercy, even apparently in the opinion of his own brother Sir Richard Herbert, for having apprehended seven brothers in Anglesey, the sons of a widow, he ordered them all to be put to death, and when their mother in the plenitude of her distress came and knelt before him and prayed him to spare at least her youngest son, in accents of such deep pathos that the hearts of all were touched, and Sir Richard Herbert himself seconded her request, his brother turned a deaf ear to all entreaties and hardened his heart against their prayers, commanding them all to be executed together, which having been done the miserable mother in the depth of her affliction

came into his presence and falling upon her knees cursed him in the name of Almighty God, invoking the Divine vengeance upon him in the next battle wherein he might be engaged. This was the fatal field of Edgcote near Banbury where Lord Fitzhugh defeated the forces of the white rose and took prisoner both the Earl of Pembroke and his gallant brother Sir Richard Herbert of Colebrook, who were beheaded.

By his wife Anne sister of Sir Walter Devereux, Lord Ferrers of Chartley, the Earl of Pembroke had issue William, George of St Julians, Cecily wife of Lord Greystoke, Anne wife of John Grey Lord Powis, and others. William the eldest son exchanged his title of Pembroke for that of Huntingdon, and having married Mary daughter and co-heir of Richard Earl Rivers, had issue a sole daughter and heiress Elizabeth, who carried by marriage the great possessions of her forefathers to Charles Somerset Earl of Worcester. Besides his legitimate children the Earl of Pembroke had two natural sons by Maud daughter and heir of Adam ab Howel ab Philip Graunt; of these the elder Richard Herbert Ddu was ancestor of the subsequent line of Earls of Pembroke and the Marquises and Duke of Powis of Powis Castle, the second, Sir William Herbert of Troy, was ancestor of the families of Adams and Lloyd.

We must now return to Sir Richard Herbert the brother of Lord Pembroke, who was a man renowned for qualities of body and mind, being a full head taller than ordinary men and one of the bravest of his brother's captains. By his wife Margaret sister of the celebrated Sir Rhys ab Thomas he had issue Sir Richard Herbert of Montgomery Castle, Gentleman Usher of the Privy Chamber to Henry VIII. and Constable of Abergavenny Castle, who married Anne daughter of Sir David ab Einion ab Llewelyn Vaughan, by whom he had issue Edward Herbert son and heir, who married Elizabeth daughter of Matthew Price of Newtown Co. Montgomery, by Jane his wife, daughter

of Llewelyn Vaughan ab Morgan ab Sir David Gam. This family of Price was of considerable importance in those parts both on account of its very extensive possessions, its descent from Elystan Glodrydd Prince of Ferlis and its many alliances with powerful Welsh houses. Madoc, lord of Keri (or Kerry), one of their ancestors in the female line, was a hostage for Prince Llewelyn ab Iorwerth and was put to death by John of England in 1213.

Edward Herbert and Elizabeth his wife had three sons, Richard, Matthew of Dolgeog ancestor of the Earls of Powis, and Charles of Aston Co. Montgomery. His grandson, the celebrated Lord Herbert of Chisbury, says of him (Edward), "My grandfather was of a various life beginning first at court where after he had spent most part of his means he became a soldier and made his fortune with his sword at St. Quentin's in France and other wars both in the North and in the rebellions happening in the times of King Edward VI. and Queen Mary, with so good success that he not only came off still with the better but got so much money and wealth as enabled him to buy the greatest part of that livelihood which is descended to me." He then relates an adventure of this Edward near Llandinam when upon an expedition against certain outlaws, the chief of whom shot an arrow which stuck in the pommel of Sir Edward Herbert's saddle, upon his remonstrating the outlaw replied that he was only sorry he had left his better bow at home which would probably have carried the arrow into Sir Edward's body. It was this Sir Edward who erected Blackhall where his hospitality was so great that a saying became current in that neighbourhood whenever any game was seen, "Fly where thou wilt thou wilt light at Blackhall."

The eldest son and heir of Sir Edward, Richard Herbert of Montgomery Castle, has been portrayed by his son in the following words:—"I remember (him) to have been black-haired and bearded as all my ancestors of his side are said to have been, of a manly or

somewhat stern look but withal very handsome and well compact in his limbs and of a great courage." He was Justice of the Peace, Deputy Lieutenant, and Custos Rotulorum of the county as his father before him had been. He understood well the Latin Tongue and was well versed in History. He married Magdalen the youngest daughter of Sir Richard Newport of Ercal, by Margaret daughter and heir of Sir Thomas Bromley, a Privy Councillor and executor of Henry VIII., who brought with her a very great estate. Lord Herbert of Cherbury (Edward) observes "By these ancestors I am descended of Talbot, Devereux, Grey, Corbet and many other noble families."

But before proceeding further it is worthy of remark that whereas the monument of the 1st Earl of Pembroke, who was buried in Tintern Abbey, has been effaced and destroyed, his brother Sir Richard "lyeth buried in Abergavenny in a sumptuous monument for those times which still remains."¹

The Newports are a very old Shropshire family, and their ancestor William, who was of High Ercall temp. Ed. IV., married Elizabeth the eldest of the four daughters and coheirs of Sir John Burgh Knight of Mowddwy. Their son John Newport who died Oct. 31st 1512 (vide Bridgman's *Princes of S. Wales*), married Alice daughter of Sir Thomas Swinnerton (*arg.* a cross flory *sc.*), and had issue Thomas Newport who died circa 1549, having married Agnes (or Anne) daughter of Sir Robert Corbet K^{t.} of Moreton Corbet (whose wife was Elizabeth daughter of Sir Henry Vernon of Tong Castle, Salop, and Haddon Hall Co. Derby, by Lady Anne Talbot daughter of the second Earl of Shrewsbury, Sir Robert Corbet's father being Sir Richard, who married Elizabeth daughter of Walter Devereux, Lord Ferrers of Chartley).

This Thomas Newport and Anne (or Agnes) his wife were the father and mother of Sir Richard Newport of

¹ There is an engraving of the fine monumental effigies of Sir Richard Herbert in Cox's *Monmouthshire*, p. 188.

High Ercall who died Sept^r. 12, 1570, having married as before said Margaret daughter and heir of Lord Chief Justice Sir Thomas Bromley (she died Aug^t. 10, 1598). The ancestor of this House Sir Walter de Bromley is said to have married Alicia sole heiress of Warin de Burwardesley (quarterly per fess indented *gu.* and *or*), from whom descended in succession Geoffrey, Richard, Ralph, John living 1335, whose second son William married Amabilia heiress of William Chetilton, (his elder brother having a sole daughter and heiress Letitia wife of John Cholmondeley of Chorley). The eldest son of William Bromley, John, married Agnes daughter of John Trentham and had issue a son Walter, father by Johanna daughter of Richard de Delves ap Roger, who married Jane heiress of Richard Mitley (descended from Iestyn ab Gwrgan). This brought Mitley into the family. Roger (the eldest son of Roger, jure uxoris of Mitley) married a coheir of David Browne of Malpas (*gu.* on a fess *w/g.* 3 roses of the field), and had issue with others two sons who left issue, 1 William married Beatrix daughter of Humphrey Hill of Blore and Buntingsdale, and had issue George who continued this line, Jane wife of Richard Sandford of Lee and Edgton (*vide infra*), Joan wife of Rowland Jennens and Dorothea wife of William Leighton. 2. Roger another son of Roger and brother of the William last mentioned, married Jane daughter of Thomas Jennings and had issue Sir Thomas the Chief Justice, who by Elizabeth daughter of Richard Lyster of Rowton, Co. Salop (and his wife Christabel daughter and heir of Fitzherbert of Staffordshire), was father of Margaret wife of Sir Richard Newport.

But to return to Magdalen wife of Sir Richard Herbert. She survived her husband several years and went to live in Oxford in order that she might be near her sons who were educated in that University. After twelve years of widowhood she married Sir John Danvers brother of Henry Earl of Danby (by whom however she had no issue), and dying July 11th, 1627,

was buried at Chelsea, leaving behind her a character for the most exalted piety, virtue and prudence. For the present purpose it will only be necessary to mention two of the seven sons of Sir Richard and Lady Herbert. Of their three daughters Elizabeth married Sir Henry Jones of Abermarlais, Margaret married John Vaughan of Llediarth, and Frances married Sir John Brown of Kirby Co. Lincoln. I cannot however pass over without mention that singularly excellent Divine known far and wide for his saintliness, George Herbert, the Poet, Rector of Bemerton, of whom Isaac Walton says "He died like a Saint unspotted of the world, full of Alms-deeds, full of humility and all the examples of virtuous life." He was born at Montgomery Castle April 3rd, 1593, where he collected a choice Library, which however was dispersed when the Castle was destroyed by the Cromwellian soldiery, and died of consumption in 1633 without issue. The eldest son and heir Sir Edward Herbert was created Lord Herbert of Cherbury, and was one of the most remarkable and celebrated men of his day. In his autobiography he mentions that he was of a delicate constitution, so much so that he was not allowed to learn anything until he was seven years of age. At the age of fifteen he married Mary the daughter and heiress of his kinsman Sir William Herbert of St. Gillians (or Julian's), she being at that time one and twenty. This marriage took place at Eyton Co. Salop, 28 Feb'y., 1598, and though they had several children yet finally his granddaughter Florence, the wife of Richard Herbert of Oakley, carried off the bulk of his wealth and became the ancestress of the Earls of Powis. Besides his *Autobiography* and *History of Henry VIII.* Lord Herbert wrote several other works, among which were a treatise "De Religione Gentilium, Expeditio Buckinghami Ducis in Insulam Ream" and "De Veritate prout distinguitur a Revelatione verisimili, possibili, et a falso." He also left a volume of his correspondence when Ambassador at the Court of Louis XIII.

It is the subsequent History and descent of these two last volumes which it is proposed to give. And when we consider the man who wrote it and the history of its publication, the autograph of the latter of the two especially well merits the name of a most interesting Shropshire Manuscript; indeed so precious is it held, where it is now placed, that the student who wishes to see or consult it must go to its place, since being a "select manuscript" it is not allowed to be brought to the Reading room, thus shewing the precautions taken and care bestowed on these treasured volumes by their guardians.

Lord Herbert's account is as follows: "My book '*De Veritate prout distinguitur a Revelatione verisimili, possibili et a falso*,' having been begun by me in England and formed there in all its parts, was about this time finished. All my spare hours which I could get from my visits and negotiations, being employed to perfect this work, which was no sooner done, but that I communicated it to Hugo Grotius, that great scholar, who having escaped his prison in the low countreys came into France and was much welcomed by me and M. Tieleuers, also one of the greatest scholars of his time, who after they had perused it and given it more commendations than it is fit for me to repeat, exhorted me earnestly to print and publish it; howbeit as the frame of my whole book was so different from anything which had been written heretofore, I found I must either renounce the authority of all that I had written formerly concerning the method of finding out truth, and consequently insist upon my own way, or hazard myself to a general censure concerning the whole argument of my book. I must confess it did not a little animate me, that the two great persons above-mentioned did so highly value it; yet as I knew it would meet with much opposition, I did consider whether it was not better for me, a while, to suppress it. Being thus doubtful in my chamber, one fair day in the summer, my casement being open

towards the south, the sun shining clear and no wind stirring, I took my 'De Veritate' in my hand, and kneeling on my knees, devoutly said these words, 'O thou eternal God, author of the light which now shines upon me, and giver of all inward illuminations, I do beseech thee of thine infinite goodness, to pardon a greater request than a sinner ought to make. I am not satisfied enough whether I shall publish this book 'De Veritate'; if it be for thy glory I beseech thee give me some sign from heaven; if not I shall suppress it.' I had no sooner spoken these words, but a loud, though gentle noise came from the heavens (for it was like nothing upon earth) which did so comfort and cheer me, that I took my petition as granted, and that I had the sign I demanded; whereupon also, I resolved to print my book. This (how strange soever it may seem) I protest before the eternal God is true, neither am I any way superstitiously deceived herein, since I did not only clearly hear the noise, but in the serenest skye that ever I saw, being without all cloud, did to my thinking see the place from whence it came. And now I sent my book to be printed in Paris at my own cost and charges &c."

Such is the account Lord Herbert himself gives of this volume, which is still extant, and which, if we cannot say he exactly regarded as inspired, still at least he believed to have received the sanction and approval of Heaven itself. The autograph copy of his work he gave to his brother Sir Henry Herbert, the sixth son of his father and mother. Lord Herbert, speaking of him, says "My brother Henry, after he had been brought up in learning as my other brothers were, was sent by his friends into France, where he attained the language of that country in much perfection, after which time he came to Court and was made Gentleman of the King's Privy Chamber and Master of the Revells, by which means, as also by a good marriage, he attained to great fortune for himself and posterity to enjoy. He also hath given several proofs of his courage in duells and

otherwise, being in these dexterous in the ways of the Court as having gotten much by it." Sir Henry Herbert was a Gentleman of the Chamber to Charles I., having been previously made Master of the Revels and Knighted by James I. at Wilton, Aug. 7, 1623, and it is related of him that shortly before the King's murder he met in Hyde Park his kinsman, Thomas Herbert, one of the Grooms of the Bedchamber, through whom he sent a message desiring him to let his Majesty know that he would gain comfort by reading the 2nd chapter of Ecclesiasticus, which the King having done sent a message of thanks to Sir Henry, commending him at the same time as an accomplished courtier and faithful in his service. Sir Henry's estate at Ribbesford, near Bewdley, Co. Worcester, was confiscated by the Parliament, but he compounded for it by paying a fine of £1,330. He lived to sit as member for Bewdley, after the Restoration, and by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Robert Dalby, of Offley, left with other issue a son, Henry, member for Worcester at the Parliament held in Oxford, March, 1680-1. On April 28th, 1694, he was created Lord Herbert of Cherbury, and died Jan. 22nd, 1708-9, being buried in St. Paul's Churchyard, Covent Garden. By his wife Anne, daughter and coh. of . . . Ramsay, he had issue an only son, Henry, sixth Lord Herbert of Chirbury, who married, Dec. 12th, 1709, Mary, sister of the first Earl of Portsmouth, but died April, 1738, without issue, and is buried at Ribbesford. The family estate passed to Henry Herbert Morley, who dying in 1781 it came into the possession of his sister, who died unmarried in 1782, when she willed it away to her relatives on the Morley side.

But to return to the issue of Sir Henry Herbert. His daughter Mary (the sister of Henry who was created Lord Herbert of Cherbury in 1694) married Richard Walker of Wooton in the Parish of Onibury, Co. Salop, and both were interred in the Parish Church there; Richard Walker on 18 Jan., 1666, and Mary

his wife on the 13th June, 1673. This Richard Walker was son of Francis Walker of Wooton Hall, and Stanton Lacy baptized at Onibury, 21 Dec., 1608, who died at Ferney Hall, in the parish of Clungunford, 9th Jan., 1663, and whose wife, Rebecca, was buried at Onibury, 14th Dec., 1688. Francis was the son of John Walker of Bringewood, in the parish of Berrington, Co. Hereford, in 1608, whose wife, Jane, was buried on the 1st day of that year. This family of Walker was much connected with South Shropshire; Gwillim says "He beareth *gules* a cross ragulé between four lions heads, erased *argent* crowned or by the name of Walker." This coat was granted by Sir Edward Walker, Garter the 20th Dec., 1660, in the 12th year of King Charles II., to Francis Walker of Bringewood, in the County of Hereford, gent., because from the beginning of the rebellion, with great courage, fidelity, and activity, he asserted the cause and interest of King Charles I., and therein engaged both his person and fortune; no ways desisting till the happy Restoration of King Charles II. was accomplished. In Blakeway's *Sheriffs of Shropshire* the arms are given somewhat differently, viz, *gules* a cross fleury between four lions heads erased *argent*. This cast seems to be virtually the same as that confirmed to Sir Thomas Leigh or Lee, Lord Mayor of London in 1588, son of Roger Lee or Leigh, of Wellington, Co. Salop, which was *gules* on a cross between 4 unicorns heads erased or five roundels *azure*. In Harleian MS., 1396, Joan, dau. of John Baldwyn, is said to have married John Walker, alias Leigh, of Stretton, and from another place we learn that this family of Walker, alias Leigh, were the descendants of the Lees or Leighs of Wellington, who themselves descended from the family of High Leigh, in Cheshire, Roger Leigh, of Wellington, being son of Richard, son of John, son of Peter, son of Robert Leigh. Richard Walker had issue by his wife, Mary (née Herbert), Martha, bap. at Onibury, 18 July, 1652, Richard, bap. 30 Oct., 1653, Margaret, bap. 14 Sept.,

1654, Anne, interred 16 Jan., 1671, and Job, bap. 25 Dec., 1656. Job Walker was of Stildon, in the parish of Rock, near Bewdley, but afterwards was of Ferney Hall, and was interred at Onibury, 15 Nov, 1712, having married Rebecca, daughter and co-heir of Thomas, second Lord Folliott, 23 Aug., 1683, at Dowles, near Bewdley; she was also buried at Onibury, 3rd April, 1726. By this match many relics of the Folliotts came to the Walkers, and are still preserved among their descendants.

This family of Folliott was much connected with Worcestershire, and a rather elaborate pedigree of them is given in the *Heralds' Visitations* of that county. William Folliott married Katherine, daughter and co-heir of Peter Greete, of Naunton, and his son William, Isabel, daughter of John Berkeley, of Coberley; their son Hugh married Joan, daughter of Thomas Walwyn, of Much Marele, Co. Hereford, and was father of Richard, who married Joan, daughter of Verney; Nicholas Folliott, their son, married Elizabeth, daughter of Norman Washbourn, grandson of John Washborn, by Joan, dau. of William Mitton, of Weston under Lizzard, Co. Stafford, and his son, Francis Folliott, married Avice, daughter and sole heir of Thomas Tracey, of North Piddle, Co. Worcester, by whom he was father of John Folliott, who married twice, firstly, Barbara Littleton, and secondly, Elizabeth, daughter and co-heir of John Moore, of Dunclent; by the second wife he had issue Thomas Folliott, of Pirton, Co. Worcester, who married Katherine, daughter of Sir William Lygon, of Madresfield, Co. Worcester. She died in 1660, and was buried at Upton on Severn.

The ancient family of Lygon of Madresfield much increased their estate by the marriage of Thomas Lygon with Anne daughter and coheir of Sir Richard Beauchamp of Powyc or Powick, who bore *gules* a fess between 6 martlets *or* to distinguish his line from that of the Earls of Warwick his kinsmen, who bore 6 crosslets in the place of the martlets. Sir Richard was

living 25 Henry VI., and married Elizabeth daughter of that Sir Humphrey Stafford of Grafton who was slain by the rebels under Jack Cade and buried at Bromsgrove. Elizabeth the elder coheir of Sir Richard Beauchamp married Sir Robert Willoughby, Lord Brooke. Sir Richard Lygon, son of Thomas and Ann, (née Beauchamp) married Margaret, daughter and heir of William Grevill, and their son William, who died 8 Sep. 1567 and was buried at Malvern, married Eleanor, daughter of Sir William Denys of Dynham Co. Gloucester, whose wife Anne was the daughter of Maurice (Harl. MS. 1543), son of James Lord Berkeley by Isabel, daughter of Thomas Mowbray, Duke of Norfolk and representative of a branch of the family of Plantagenet. The son of William Lygon and Eleanor his wife, Richard Lygon of Madresfield married Mary, daughter of Sir Thomas Russell of Strensham, (she died 1576) and was by her father of Sir William who gained the unenviable notoriety of having sold many manors, and who by Elizabeth daughter of Edmund Knightley of Grandborough Co. Warwick (who was bur^d at Malvern 28 March 1631) was father of Katherine the wife of Thomas Folliott. Their son Henry of Ballyshannon Co. Sligo was made a Knight by Robert Earl of Essex Sep 6, 1599, and created a Baron 22 Jan. 1639. He married Anne daughter of Sir William Strode of Stoke under Hampden Co. Somerset. Edward Strode (ancestor of Sir William) had married Alice daughter of Robert Whiting, brother of the last Abbot of Glastonbury.

Henry first Lord Folliott had by his wife Anne a son and successor Henry on the death of his father second Lord Folliott, born 1613, who married Rebecca French. There are several portraits of himself and his lady in existence and also of his son; some are now in the possession of his descendant Humphrey Sandford esq of the Isle of Up Rossall near Shrewsbury. The second Lord Folliott left issue by his wife Rebecca, Henry third Lord Folliott, who died without issue, when his

three aunts became his coheirs. Of these the eldest Rebecca married Job Walker of Ferney Hall of whose issue presently; the second coheir Mary married Rowland Baugh and had issue Thomas Folliott-Baugh and a daughter Mary, wife of Francis Herbert, son of George Herbert of Oakley Park, who married Martha, daughter of John Newton of Heightley in 1693, and grandson of Richard Herbert of Oakley Park, by Florentia, granddaughter and heiress of the celebrated Edward Lord Herbert of Cherbury. Francis Herbert and Mary Baugh had issue George, Henry, Folliott bap 12 Jan. 1728 at Ludlow, and Mary, wife of Captain Frederick Cornewall of Delbury Co. Hereford, by whom she was mother of Herbert Walker Cornewall, late Bishop of Worcester. The third coheir Elizabeth married twice, firstly Samuel Powell of Stanedge Co. Radnor who died 1700, and secondly Rev. Thomas Jones of Combe Co. Flint. By the first husband she had issue Folliott, Samuel, and Elizabeth, wife of Richard Knight of Ludlow, eldest son of Richard Knight of Downton Castle Co. Hereford; their only child Elizabeth married Thomas Johnes of Llanvairclydog, M.P. for Radnorshire, and had issue, Thomas, Rev. Samuel, Elizabeth married Hanbury Williams, 1770, and Anne who died unmarried.

But before quitting the family of Folliott the following notices of it taken from Nash's *History of Worcestershire* may be interesting. In the highest South window of the body of Perton Church in Mr. Habingdon's time was painted *argent* a lion rampant queue furchée *purpure* or *gules*, crowned or with these words "Sta Katharina ora pro nobis." These arms of Stury coming to Foliot by some marriage are borne as Foliot's proper coat whereas the ancient coat of Foliot is *gules* a bend *argent*—It is worthy of remark that the coat given in the *Visitations of Worcestershire* is Quarterly of 6. *argent* a lion ramp^t. *purpure* double queued and crowned or=Folliott, 2 *arg.* on a chief *gu.* 3 stags heads caboshed or=Greete, 3 or, a double bend *gu* and in sinister chief an escallop *sable*=Tracey 4.

sable, a chevron between three crescents *arg.* 5. *azure* a bend *or*, cotized *ermine*, between 6 martlets of the 2nd.—Roger Foliot probably by marrying Margery daughter and heir of William de Periton came into possession of lands in Periton which descended to their posterity. William Foliot 1372 had license from the Priory in the vacancy of the See of Worcester to have an oratory for celebrating Mass. The Foliots were a most ancient family and their first habitation was I believe at Morton Foliot in the parish of Longdon. From them descended Hugh Foliot Bishop of Hereford 1219 and of this name and perhaps family was Gilbert Foliot Bishop of the same See in 1161, afterwards translated to London, and Robert Foliot who was consecrated Bishop of Hereford by Thomas a Becket Archbishop of Canterbury. Sir John Foliot sold Perton to Sir William Courteyn and they sold it to the Coventrys who now hold it.

But to return to Rebecca the eldest coheir of Thomas Lord Polliott and wife of Job Walker through whom descended the valuable manuscripts which have been formerly mentioned. They had issue a son Francis Sheriff of Shropshire in 1725 whose son and heir Francis Walker died without issue but his aunt Rebecca (daughter of Job Walker and Rebecca his wife) married at Rock Co. Worcester 13 Jan. 1717 Humphrey Sandford of the Isle of Up Rossall, who died 25th of March 1741 æt. 52. She died 7 Oct. 1732 aged 42. Of the very ancient family of Sandford, rather a full account may be found in Blakeway's *Sheriffs of Shropshire*, but to some perhaps the following few notes may be of interest:—The name Humphrey derived from the celebrated lawyer of Queen Elizabeth's days Humphrey Plowden is of constant recurrence. Thus the father of the Humphrey Sandford who married Rebecca Walker was Humphrey of Horderley, the Isle and Edgeton. He was born in 1658 and died 1734, having married Elizabeth, daughter of William Evans of Asterton; she died 1727 aged 64.

The Grandfather of this Humphrey was of the same name, and being faithful to his Sovereign during the time of the Civil War was plundered by the rebels. He died at Fitz 28th March 1654, having married Jane, daughter of Edward Giffard of the White Ladies Co. Salop. The part which the Giffards played in the preservation of King Charles II. after the battle of Worcester is too well known to need recapitulation. It will be remembered that Whiteladies was the first place where he took refuge after that disastrous day, and here he was attended upon by the faithful Penderils and their neighbour Yates, before he went to Boscobel, which is only about three-quarters of a mile distant. Edward Giffard was a younger son of Sir Thomas Giffard of Chillington, by Ursula, daughter of Sir Robert Throgmorton of Coughton, Knt., and his wife was Jane, daughter of Thomas Lee of Langley, by Mary, daughter of Edmund Plowden, the celebrated lawyer; Thomas Lee, born 1529, being a younger son of Thomas Lee of Langley, by Jane, daughter of Sir Robert Corbet of Morton Corbet.

The father of this Humphrey Sandford was also named Humphrey, who had a pardon granted to him under the great seal for all treasons, 22 Elizabeth. He died 8 July, 1611, aged 68, and is buried at Lydbury. His wife was Anne, daughter of Francis Lascelles of Brackenbury, Co. York, by Anne, daughter of William Thwaytes of Marton (Harl. MS. 1487). This Humphrey was a son of Richard, who died February 13th, 1587, by Margaret, daughter of Humphrey Plowden of Plowden Hall, Co. Salop, and his wife Elizabeth, daughter of John Sturry of Rossall, near Shrewsbury. Edmund Plowden, the lawyer (after whom Plowden's Buildings in the Temple are named) was son of this Humphrey, and father by his wife Catherine, daughter of William Sheldon of Beoley, Co. Worcester, of Mary, the wife of Thomas Lee mentioned above. The father of Richard, was George of Alvelde and Lee, and his mother, Anne

daughter of William Oteley of Pichford, and Margery Bruyn, his wife. Curiously enough, the mother, grandmother, and great grandmother of this William Oteley were all named Anne, being respectively Anne daughter of Robert Scriven, Anne daughter of John Lacon and Anne daughter of Robert Corbet of Lee. George Sandford was the son of Richard living 1 Edward VI. whose father William of the Lee (ob. 1509) had married Sibilla daughter and coheir of Sir Fulke Sprengnose of Plash, Sheriff of Salop 1446. He himself married Jane daughter of William Bromley of Mitley and Hodnet, mentioned above. The Pedigree of Sandford continues to the time of the Norman Conquest when they came into England and it appears upon all Rolls of the names of the Conqueror's companions. The previous few descents however more especially bear upon connections with our county and it is time to return to the descendants of Humphrey Sandford and Rebecca his wife. Their eldest son Humphrey Sandford of the Isle of Rossall continued the male line of the family, and his sister Mary baptized at St. Alkmund's Dec. 5th 1722 (ob^t. 1766) married Jonathan Scott of Shrewsbury, born Jan. 16th 1721.

An apology is perhaps due to the readers of this article, who may object that it is rather a sketch of the families connected with the manuscript, or through whose hands it passed, than a history of the volume itself, but on the other hand it may be urged that its history is essentially connected with that of its possessors, and those interested in the book would not probably be so well contented with the bare catalogue of a few names of individuals as with some slight notice of who they were and how connected with the author.

The Scotts of Shrewsbury were the descendants of Richard Scott, brother of Sir Reginald Scott (mentioned in a former article on "Ruckley Grange") and younger son of Sir John Scott of Scot's Hall Co. Kent, by Anne only daughter and heir of Reginald Pympe of Nettle-

stead. The Scot's Hall Pedigree calls him second son, while a corrected Pedigree kindly sent to the writer by the present head of that family speaks of him as the fourth son of Sir John. They may, however, both be quite correct, for though originally the fourth son, he may have been the second surviving son of Sir John. Richard married Mary, daughter of George Whettenhall of East Peckham Co. Kent, and their son Richard removed to Shropshire probably through his connection with Lord Wenlock. He was born 1554, and died in St. Chad's Parish, Shrewsbury, July 21st 1628, his wife Anne being also buried at St. Chad's 8 March 1620. Their son Isaac Scott was born 1584 and married Elizabeth Stevens of Shrewsbury, by whom he was father of Richard Scott of Shrewsbury born 22nd July 1617 (and other issue) who married 16 Dec. 1637, Elizabeth relict of Brinsley of London, and dying 30 March 1662 left issue with others Richard Scott a younger son, bap. 7 Jan. 1648, and died 1692, whose wife Susannah was daughter and coheir of John Gardner. The Scotts, like the Herberts and Sandfords, were staunch royalists, and the Richard Scott who married Elizabeth Brinsley was a very active partisan of Charles I. Richard Scott had by his wife Susannah (Party per fess *arg.* and *sable* a pale between three griffins heads erased, all counterchanged) a son Jonathan of Betton, 1677, who died in 1746, having married Anne Farmer and had issue an eldest coheir Elizabeth who marrying a gentleman of her own name became ancestress of the Scotts of Betton, and also a son John buried at St. Chad's 20 June 1769, who married thrice, firstly Rebecca Elfred without issue, secondly Dorothy daughter of Captain John Waring without issue, thirdly Dorothy daughter and in her issue heiress of Adam Waring of Woodcote Co. Salop. This Adam Waring was of one of the oldest of our Shropshire families. Owen and Blakeway, when speaking of it in their *History of Shrewsbury*, say :—"This family of Waring seems derived from Warin, son of Cæthef

the Saxon, who held land in the market place of Shrewsbury." Warin de Onneslowe 1311 had a son Robert of Onslow, Schelton, Wodecote and Bykton whose wife Cicily was living in 1332. His grandson Richard, bur. at St. Julian's, married Catherine daughter of John de Betton, living 1373. Simon, his son, married Margaret, daughter of Richard Corbowe of Salop by whom he was father of two sons Richard and Thomas, the former of whom, buried at St. Chad's 1456, married Agnes daughter of Nicholas Clements and had issue Nicholas, merchant, buried at St. Chads 1510, who married Christian daughter of William Lyster of Rowton by Elizabeth his wife, daughter of John Leighton and Angharad de Burgh.

This Nicholas Waring held Charlton Hall, now the Theatre, Shrewsbury, in the following manner :—By a deed, dated 1445, Henry Gray, Knight, Earl of Tankerville and Lord of Powys, grants to Thomas Bromley of Salop, merchant, and Agnes, his wife, "one mesuage or dwelling house called Chorlton Hall, with the buildings and nine tenements, two cellars, with a garden, and all other lands belonging to the said mesuage, lying in the town of Salop, in length between a certain street called Scheplache and a parcel of waste ground called Behynde ye Walles on the one part, and in breadth between the land of William Mytton, Esquire, and the land of John Grace, mercer." In 1470, Bromley, together with John Adams of Pontesbury, apparently a trustee under some feoffment, demised the said premises to Nicholas Warynge of Salop, merchant of the Staple of Calais, and they are thus described—"One great Hall called Chorlton's Hall, one great stone chamber annexed to the hall, one large cellar under the said Hall, and one great garden enclosed on either side with stone walls, which (to wit the said hall, cellar, and garden) lie together in Salop, in the street called Scheplache, extending in length by the King's high way, leading from the aforesaid street towards the Church of St. Chad's." This deed is dated

the 49th year of Henry VI., and of his re-adoption of his royal power the 1st. Charlton Hall when sold by Edward Grey and Vernon in 1600 was still in the tenure of Richard Waring, though the purchaser was William Leighton, Esquire, of Stretton. It subsequently, however, became the property of the Warings, and as such came into the possession of John Scott Waring, Esquire, of whom more hereafter (vide Owen's *Shrewsbury*).

But to return to Nicholas Waring. He left issue Richard, who, by Mary, daughter of Thomas Grafton,¹ was father of Adam, who married Eleanor, daughter of Nicholas Waring of London, son of the Thomas mentioned above as second son of Simon, thus uniting two branches of the family. Richard, the son of Adam, was born at Charlton Hall, 1547, but was dead in 1616, having married at Hanwood 11 Feby., 1576, Margery, daughter of John Hosier of Woodcote, a Welshman, and descendant of Tudor Trevor. Their son Nicholas was born at Woodcote Septr. 11th, 1578, and died 1630, having married Mary, daughter and co-heir of Richard Barker of Haghmond, Esquire, by Dorothy, daughter and heir of William Poyner of Beslow. It may be remarked that Richard Barker's father, James Barker, married Dorothy, daughter of Richard Clyve of Styche, and his grandfather, John

¹ Adam Grafton was Dean of St. Mary's in 1530, Warden of Battlefield College 1504, Archdeacon of Salop, Prebend of Wellington in Lichfield Cathedral and Archdeacon of Stafford 1514. Owen says:—"This Dean was of an ancient family in the town, who were bayliffes here occasionally from 1390 to 1436. What remains of his personal history may be collected from his epitaph at Withington, where he lies under a brass, representing him with his cope and tonsure in the act of prayer, and this inscription: 'Here lyeth buried Master Adam Grafton the most worshypful priest lyving in hys days; Symtyme chapleyne to the ffamous pryncys, Kyng Edward the Vth, and prynce Arthure, archdeacon of Stafford, warden of the battleffild, deane of St. Marie colledge of Salop and p'son of thys churche, whych decessyed the xxiiij juli an dom. m d xxx whos soul God pardon.' He seems to have built the fine tower of his collegiate church at Battlefield, as on the east side is a stone inscribed with his name."

of Wolverton, married Elizabeth, sister and co-heir of Sir Rowland Hill the first Protestant Lord Mayor of London, and, to ascend one generation higher, his great grandfather married Elizabeth, the daughter of Hugh Sandford of Sandford, who died 1530. Mary Barker was the 2nd wife of Nicholas Waring, but the mother of his son and heir, Richard of Woodcote, who died 22 March, 1683, being father, by Elizabeth, only daughter of Timothy Levinz, Sergt. at law, of Adam Waring of Lincoln's Inn, who died Jan. 30th, 1700, and who was father of Dorothy, wife of John Scott, her mother being also named Dorothy, and only daughter of Laurence Wood, son of Alexander Wood, and Margery, daughter of Sir Thomas Astley of Patshull. The arms of Waring are *gules* on a fess engrailed *or*, 3 hunting horns stringed *sa.* between 3 stags heads caboshed *argent*, and from their quartering those of Betton (*argent* 2 pales *sa.* each charged with 3 crossletsfitch in pale *or*) and Guine (*or* a lion passant guardant *gules*) we may presume that the daughters of those houses with whom they intermarried were heiresses.

John Scott by his wife Dorothy Waring left issue Jonathan Scott of Shrewsbury, mentioned previously as the husband of Mary Sandford and who appears to have been a friend of Walpole. His marriage took place in 1746, 1st April, at St. Chads and he was buried 11 Nov. 1778, leaving issue—1 John who took the name of Waring from his ancestors of that name, and became so celebrated as the friend and defender of Warren Hastings. 2 Richard whose descendants now represent the family in the male line. 3 Jonathan. 4 Henry. 5 Folliott, and one daughter Dorothy, wife of Henry Stokes¹ of London. Of these John, Richard,

¹ This gentleman, known alike for his piety and amiability, was one of the first promoters of the Church Missionary Society. He is buried in the Rector's vault in the Church of the Blackfriars, London. It was while staying at his house that the poet Cowper, at that time suffering much from bad health and in a state of great depression, wrote his amusing poem on the *Adventures of John Gilpin*.

Jonathan, and Henry all held commissions and distinguished themselves in the East India Company's service.

It will be remembered that Dorothy daughter of Adam Waring became in her issue heiress of the family. This happened as follows:— Her brother Richard Waring of the Hayes died at Shrewsbury Feb. 1718 (vide Ormerod's *Cheshire*), having married Mary eldest daughter and coheir of Robert Hill of Tern, and their son Richard Hill Waring died in 1789, having married Margaret daughter and heir of Sir George Wynne of Leeswood, but without issue. This Sir George Wynne in 1724 had purchased from Charles Cholmondeley of Vale Royal, Co. Chester, the lands of Ince in that county (which had formerly been the possession of the Dean and Chapter of Chester), an estate of 1600 acres, and these became the property jure uxoris of Richard Hill Waring who upon his death without issue bequeathed his estates to his cousin and next representative of the family, John Scott, a major in the H. E. I. C. Service, the descendant of his aunt, who thereupon assumed the name of Waring and became member for Stockbridge, but is best known for his devotion to Warren Hastings to whom he was for some time Secretary. He sold Ince, and all his issue in the male line became extinct. Of his daughters Caroline married Rev. R. Powys of Hardwick, Co. Oxon, Anna Maria married John Reade of Ipsden Co. Oxon, and Eliza Sophia married Rev. George Stanley Faber uncle of the well known oratorian. There was also another daughter, Laura Augusta, wife of Rev. Percival Fry. Jonathan Scott the third brother born 1753 and died 1829, was a Captain in the H. E. I. C's Service and also LL.D. Being a man of great learning and mental power he became Oriental Professor in the Royal Military and East India Colleges, and it was probably from his literary tendencies that the valuable autograph manuscripts of Lord Herbert of Cherbury, which had been consigned by that nobleman to his brother Sir Henry Herbert, de-

scended to him. He married Anne daughter of the Rev. Daniel Austin, Rector of Berrington, and at his death left an only child Ann Dorothea, the wife of William Richard Stokes of Shrewsbury, her cousin. They resided in Shrewsbury, where they had property near the Town Walls, Belmont, and the Quarry. W. R. Stokes being of delicate health lived a retired life, and upon succeeding jure uxoris to the property of his father in law presented these valuable manuscripts to the British Museum, deeming them works of national interest and worthy of a place amongst the treasured relics of the nation. Upon enquiry, the writer received the following information from the late principal Librarian of the British Museum :—"It appears that among the records of the Secretary's Office is a report which was made on the 14th March, 1829, of the donation of 'A box of papers which belonged to the late Jonathan Scott, Esq., from his son-in-law, Mr. W. R. Stokes, of Brunswick Row, Queen's Square.'" This box contained the above manuscripts, which are now arranged as "Additional MSS. 7081 and 7082."

It remains to be said that the donor of these papers who died December, 1858, was the second son of Henry Stokes of London and Shropshire by his second wife Dorothy, only daughter of Jonathan Scott, of Shrewsbury (as previously observed); they were married at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, 24 January, 1777. By his first wife, Miss Harpur, he had had an only son who died without issue. Following the family history further we have his father, William Stokes, who married a daughter and coheir of John Williams of Trehane, Co. Cornwall, (sister of Mrs. Stackhouse, whose son married the daughter and heiress of Acton of Acton Scott). It may interest some to observe that a grand-daughter of this William Stokes is still living, and in January celebrated the 103rd anniversary of her parents' wedding. John, the father of William, went up to London from Shropshire to increase the family wealth, and married Mary, daughter of George Whitmore, of that city. He

was living in 1707, and was son of Thomas Stoakes, of the Heath, Stoke-Milburgh, buried Dec. 1st, 1728, by Sarah, daughter of Isaac Jones, of Chilton, married 1682, who was the son of Thomas Stokes, of Stoke Milburgh, Co. Salop, by Elizabeth, his wife, who was buried in that Parish in 1681.

It will be noticed from the above account that there was a regular descent and blood relationship between the families who were possessed of the above relics, and who handed them from one to another until they were consigned to their present place of security. Lord Herbert also gave to his brother, Sir Henry, the autograph copy of his autobiography, which is now preserved at Powis Castle, and from which was taken the edition printed privately at Strawbury Hill, in 1764, by Horace Walpole, Earl of Orford.

The writer cannot close this little history without thanking sincerely the many kind friends who assisted him in his investigations, and without whose valuable aid it would have been utterly impossible to have brought them to a satisfactory conclusion. To them is due the gratitude of all who are sufficiently interested in these notable works of one of the most celebrated men of his day, to desire a more protracted account of the way in which they reached their destination than is given in the few words of the Secretary's record quoted above.

SALOPIAN PATRIOTISM IN 1588.

FROM "Names of the Nobility, Gentry, and others in Shropshire who contributed to the defence of the Country at the Spanish Invasion of 1588."

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Robert Eyton 18 die Martii..	25	Richard Owen eadem...	25
Thomas Onslow armiger 22		Edward Corbett of Longmore	
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Richard Prince 24 die Martii	25	Richard Cressett	80
William Fowler 26 die Martii	25	Thomas Burton eadem ...	25
Charles Foxe armiger 29 die		Adam Luttlley eadem...	25
Martii	100	Roger Kynnaston 14 die	
Thomas Corbett tercio die		Aprilis	25
Aprilis	25	Rowland Lacon armiger 13	
Rowland Barker of Hammond		die Aprilis	50
armiger	50	Edward Walter eadem ...	25
Robert Ireland quarto die		Thomas Myne 15 die Aprilis	25
Aprilis	25	William Preeene 18 die Aprilis	25
Frauncis Gatine 8 die Aprilis	30	Elizabeth Alkinton 19 die	
Richard Lea eadem	80	Aprilis	25
Andrew Chorlton eadem ...	80	Thomas Lawley eadem ...	25
Frauncis Kynnaston eadem.	25	Thomas Powell eadem ...	25
Robert Powell eadem...	25	Edward Davies 21 die Aprilis	25
Robert Mooreton eadem ...	25	Robert Needham armiger 27	
Richard Latwiche eadem ...	25	die Aprilis	25
Frauncis Newport eadem ...	25	Thomas Perrens ultimo die	
Richard Hopton eadem ...	25	Aprilis	25
William Leighton eadem ...	80	Thomas Kimmersley 29 die	
Jerom Corbett eadem ...	30	Aprilis	30
Richard Lloyd eadem ...	25	William Phillips of Craicton,	
Edward Gifford eadem ...	25	24 Aprilis	25
John Brooke eadem	30		

The foregoing list is taken from a reprint of an old MS. which was published by Leigh and Sotheby in 1798.

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FURTHER GEOLOGICAL DISCOVERIES IN SHROPSHIRE.

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IN a former paper, entitled "Recent Geological Investigations in Shropshire," the author gave a sketch of the following discoveries :—1. That the shales at the base of the Caradoc series were to be separated from the Silurian system and correlated with the Dictyonema Shales of Malvern. 2. That the green sandstones flanking the Wrekin and Caer Caradoc, supposed to be "altered Caradoc Sandstone," were the Hollybush Sandstone of Malvern. 3. That the underlying quartzites were of Precambrian, or, at least, Lower Cambrian age. 4. That the central chain of Salopian hills, hitherto regarded as intrusive greenstone and basalt, were built up of volcanic lavas and ashes of Precambrian age. Full particulars of the work have been published in the *Quarterly Journal of the Geological Society*, and the main results are now universally accepted. Some additional discoveries will be described in this communication.

A. TREMADOC ROCKS.

Underlying the quartzite ridge of the Stiper Stones is a considerable thickness of flaggy shales. They have been deeply hollowed out into the valley which lies between the Stiper Stones on the W. and the Longmynd on the E. They were regarded by Sir R. Murchison and the Geological Survey as the Lingula Flags. This opinion, however, must be modified. The author found on inspection that these shales were very

similar to those which he had described from Shineton as the equivalent of the Dictyonema Shales (Tremadoc), and a search for fossils resulted in the discovery of three characteristic Shineton forms—*Lingulella Nicholsoni*, *Obolella Sabrina*, and *Macrocyrtella Maria*. This formation must then be moved one stage higher, from the Lingula Flags to the Tremadoc.

The Shineton Shales in this locality are of considerable thickness, as at the Wrekin. In the upper part they pass into arenaceous flags, not unlike the rocks overlying the Stiper Stones. The dip is to the W.N.W., in agreement with the prevailing dip west of the Longmynd.

The identification of this group fixes the age of the Stiper Stones group, which must be placed in the Arenig series.

B. THE VOLCANIC SYSTEM.

a. A Second Precambrian Axis.

Volcanic and fragmental rocks of Precambrian age have been recently discovered at intervals from Pontsford Hill on the N.E., and near Linley Hall on the S.W. In the hills N. and W. of Linley Hall, the rock is fragmental. In the mount to the W. of the Hall is a compact horny rock, evidently a highly altered felspathic mud, broken through by greenstone. To the N., at Knoll's Wood, is an indurated grit or breccia. Following the ridges to the N.N.E., we meet here and there with igneous and altered rocks, with purple Cambrian conglomerate resting upon them to the E. The pebbles of this conglomerate are chiefly a purple felstone, common in the volcanic group, from which the Cambrian (Longmynd) rocks have evidently been largely derived. S. of Gatten Lodge is a small quarry exposing hornstone and breccia. But the most important sections are at Pontsford Hill. That elevation is mainly composed of intrusive greenstone, but on its flanks, and especially at the N. end, are rocks of the

older group, through which the molten greenstone has been forced. Near Pool Place, in a quarry and in the road and hill above, are good exposures of the Precambrian lavas, similar to the types in the Wrekin and at Wrockwardine.

This second Precambrian axis is parallel to the main chain (Wrekin and Caradoc), and, like it, is on a line of dislocation. The lower beds of the Cambrian rest against the older nucleus on the E., and on the W. side the Shineton Shales are faulted down.

b. Correlation of the Volcanic series with the rocks of other areas.

Since writing his first communication, the author has visited and examined formations of a similar character in the Malvern Hills, at St. Davids, and in Carnarvonshire and Anglesey. He has also compared with the Shropshire rocks a typical collection of specimens from Charnwood Forest, kindly furnished by Mr. W. J. Harrison, F.G.S., of the Leicester Museum. The result of his work has been the conclusion that in all these localities are developed rocks of the same age as the Salopian group, and that these widely scattered masses belong to the *Pebidian*, a volcanic group first studied at St. David's and described by Dr. Hicks.

1. MALVERN AREA.

On the E. flank of the Herefordshire Beacon are several spurs projecting into the Triassic plain of the Severn Valley. These buttresses are composed of rocks essentially different from the gneissic and granitoid beds which make up the main ridge. The former were originally described as "baked rocks," and were supposed to be the Dictyonema and Black Shales, which are exposed on the opposite side of the axis, in a highly altered condition.

The author at once recognized in these "baked rocks" certain types with which he was familiar in

Shropshire, and especially in Lilleshall Hill.¹ The hornstones of which that elevation is largely composed are undistinguishable in hand specimens from the "baked rock," and a microscopic examination kindly made for the author by Prof. Bonney, F.R.S., St. John's Coll., Cambridge, quite confirms the identification. Prof. Bonney had independently arrived at the conclusion that the "baked rocks" were a second Precambrian group, newer than the gneiss series.

2. ST. DAVIDS AREA.

Amongst the Peibidian rocks of this district are compact, flinty, felspathic beds, closely resembling the hornstones of Salop and Malvern. The ashy shales and breccias of St. Davids are also represented in Shropshire, especially in Lilleshall Hill. At St. Davids, however, there is no representative of the lavas of the Wrekin, the strata being fragmental, and such as would be produced at a distance from volcanic centres by accumulations of ashes, more or less acted upon and redistributed by waves and currents. The volcanic group at St. Davids, as in Shropshire, is lapped round by Cambrian conglomerates.

3. CAERNARVONSHIRE.

A very interesting group of rocks, lying to the S.W. of Bangor, has recently been described by Professors Bonney and Hughes. Near the city are hornstones, grits, and slates, named by Professor Hughes, the Bangor series. These are not unlike the Lilleshall Rocks. Below them, S. of Bangor, are volcanic grits and breccias, described by Prof. Bonney, which bear a striking resemblance to some of the Wrekin series. Underlying these fragmental beds are massive quartz

¹ Referred to in the *Transactions* of this Society for 1878, p. 93, as "felstones." Microscopic examination of these obscure rocks proves, however, that they are a highly altered and indurated volcanic mud.

felsites, regarded as ancient lava-flows. These may represent the lavas of the Wrekin and Caer Caradoc areas. The author has examined the Bangor district, and he is of opinion that the succession described, viz., hornstones and slates passing down into grits, breccias, and lavas, is similar in Caernarvonshire and Salop.

4. CHARNWOOD FOREST.

The slates and breccias of this district have been mapped as "Cambrian" by the Geological Survey. The recent researches of Messrs. Hill and Bonney do not, however, confirm that view. The elaborate microscopic researches of Prof. Bonney show that the Charnwood rocks are volcanic ejectamenta, and he and Dr. Hicks are disposed to class them with the Pebidian. The author's examination of a set of Charnwood specimens at once strongly suggested a correlation of some part of the Charnwood group with the Lilleshall series.

5. ANGLESEY.

Recent work by the author in this dislocated and metamorphosed district has brought to light several important results, and such of them as bear on the present enquiry are here sketched. In northern and central Anglesey is a considerable thickness of felspathic shales and grits, which bear a marked resemblance to some of the Pebidian rocks of St. Davids. They overlie hornstones and slates similar to those of the Bangor group. These types have close affinity with the slates, shales, and hornstones of Charnwood and Lilleshall. The eruptive volcanic rocks appear to be wanting in Anglesey, and are probably faulted down out of sight.

6. GENERAL COMPARISON.

The Pebidian group, as most fully developed in Anglesey and the adjoining Bangor district, appears to consist of lavas in the lower part and fragmental

volcanic matter, more or less sorted by water, above. In Shropshire, the lava flows are interstratified with beds of ashes, breccia, and conglomerate. The higher beds of northern and central Anglesey are wanting at Bangor and in Shropshire; but are probably represented by the Charnwood series. The succession at St. Davids corresponds most closely to the Anglesey rocks, the lavas of Bangor and the Wrekin being absent.

It is not here assumed that the lavas are necessarily older than all the ash beds. Volcanic deposits are very irregular. While lavas are flowing down the side of Etna or Vesuvius, ashes may be scattered over the surrounding district, or sorted in beds at the bottom of the Mediterranean Sea. Caernarvonshire and Shropshire were seats of volcanic energy in the Pebidian epoch; and while the craters were pouring forth lavas, ashes were being widely distributed over the neighbouring land or marine areas. Other centres of eruption are doubtless covered in by younger deposits, and we shall probably never ascertain the position of the volcanoes which ejected the ashes and breccias of St. Davids and Charnwood. But, on the whole, it may be inferred that the young energy of the Pebidian volcanoes burst forth in floods of lava; while during its later years it ejected over land and sea beds of breccia and ash.

C. THE METAMORPHIC SYSTEM.

In Primrose Hill, a spur terminating the Wrekin on the S.W., the author has recognized a very interesting group of beds. They mainly consist of gneiss and a granitoid rock, for which Prof. Bonney has proposed the name "granitoidite." It bears a superficial resemblance to granite, being composed of quartz, felspar, and mica or hornblende, sometimes of quartz and felspar only, without definite arrangement. Prof. Bonney has, however, shown by the aid of the microscope that this rock is not a true granite, that is, a deeply formed igneous product, but simply a metamorphosed grit.

The author's field observations, both in Shropshire and Anglesey, support this view with regard to the Precambrian granitoid rocks. It was also observed that the strike of these gneissic strata in Primrose Hill differed from that of the volcanic series; the former striking S.E., while the prevailing strike of the Salopian Pebidian is to the E., or a little N. of E. Both in its strike, and in lithological characters, the metamorphic group agrees with the ancient gneissic and granitoid rocks composing the nucleus of the Malvern Hills, and the author has no hesitation in correlating the two formations. The Malvern metamorphic series has been referred, with high probability, to the great gneiss system, called the *Lewisian* in the Northern Highlands, and the *Laurentian* in Canada. It cannot fail to interest Salopians thus to learn that their classic mountain, the Wrekin, is built up of representatives of the two great Precambrian or Archæan groups which have been recognized in Britain.

It is important to determine the relations between the two series. In the Malvern chain, the Pebidian felspathic hornstones abut against the edges of the gneiss rocks, and such a marked discordance points to a great interval of time between the two epochs. In Shropshire the evidence is still more decisive. At the S.W. end of the Wrekin, the Pebidian is faulted down against the gneiss; but an unconformity is inferred from the difference of strike. Proof, amounting to actual demonstration, is seen in Charlton Hill, about two miles W. of the Wrekin. Associated with the ordinary ash beds, and overlain by the Precambrian quartzite, is the interesting conglomerate noticed in the previous paper. The author has recognized in it nearly twenty kinds of rock, chiefly varieties of the following:—Quartzite, quart-schist, gneiss, mica-schist, hornblende-schist, granitoidite, and red felspar. The gneissic and granitoid enclosures are of types common in Primrose Hill and the Malverns; but the quartzose varieties most closely resemble the quartzites and

quartz-schists of Anglesey. It is certain from this evidence that during the Pebidian period, the neighbouring land consisted in part of rocks of the Lewisian epoch. By the action of the waves on the coast-line, pebble-beds were formed, and these were interstratified with the ashes ejected from volcanoes, and laid down at the sea-bottom.

The gap separating the Lewisian and Pebidian periods must have been immense. First of all, the sediments of the Lewisian age were depressed to a considerable depth in the earth's crust. This was necessary to the great chemical and physical change, called metamorphism, which next took place. Shales, grits, and sandstones were converted into highly crystalline rocks. Then upheaval set in, and as the land rose, the waves, assisted by frost, rain, and rivers, slowly stripped off the superincumbent strata, till the crystalline schists were brought up to the light of day. Then the sea, continuing its work, produced the Pebidian conglomerates.

Most of the results here sketched in brief are new to science. Some of them are now before the Geological Society; others are reserved for future communications.

ARCHITECTURAL NOTES RELATING TO SHROPSHIRE.

BY THE LATE REV. JOHN PARKER, OF SWEENEY HALL.

FROM A JOURNAL, JUNE, 1839.

THE ruins of the once magnificent Priory of Wenlock stand near the Church, eastward of the town. The parts which remain are the Prior's apartments, of late Gothic, and some of the outer walls of the Precinct. Of the Church the south-west angle, the south transept, and a fragment of the north transept are all of early date, and adjoining to the south transept are the splendid remains of a chapter house, resembling that of Bristol in size and style and general arrangement.

There is much to admire in these ruins. They have no advantage of situation, and their chief beauties cannot be comprised in one view: but they are extremely fine specimens of style, avoiding the two extremes of massiveness and slightness. The proportions are fine, the mouldings bold, with just enough enrichment. The piers are first rate in point of design. Several portions of the stone vaulting remain, all of which are of superior workmanship. If then we may judge of what is lost by that which has been preserved, this Priory Church must have been majestic rather in style than in dimensions, cruciform, with side aisles and Lady Chapel, the whole vaulted with stone and uniform in character. In the inhabited part of the Prior's lodgings, is a massive desk of Wenlock marble, enriched at the sides with Gothic foliage of the 13th Century: the ledge for holding the book being of marble, and all cut out of one solid block. This relic

was found bricked up under the place where it is now kept.

I measured the mouldings of the arcade in the south transept. The ground plan of the piers, I obtained with some trouble, and am exceedingly pleased with it. In the Parish Church, which is large and roomy, but very destitute of interest, I saw some scanty remnants of Gothic woodwork, the basement of a screen. There are two aisles, divided by round piers with pointed arches. In the chancel are two stone stalls of late Gothic, unfinished, with a water drain. They are vaulted with stone inside, and on the east wall N. and S. of the chancel window are two lofty niches with vaulted canopies, but all this work is late and of inferior effect.

I could not help remarking and transcribing the following inscription, which bears upon the question recently discussed in the case of Breeks v. Wolfrey. The date exactly one century ago might have supported the decision and opinion of Sir Herbert Jenner.

MONUMENT IN WENLOCK CHURCH.

This monument erected and they here buried by leave of the
hon'able S^r Watkin Williams Wynn B^t.

Near this place lies the body of Francis Lacon, late wife of
Richard Lacon of Linley in this County, daughter of Mowris
Bilson of Brill in y^e County of Bucks Esq^r. who died the
last of August 1739

aged 33 years

to whose memory this is erected. May he rest in peace Amen
and also the bodys of Thomas Richard and Thomas Lacons
great grand-father, grand-father & father of the above
Richard Lacon.

May they also rest in peace. Amen!

BUILDWAS, JUNE 13, 1839.

These ruins are in a much finer situation than those of Wenlock. They are, however, inferior in extent and style. The two arcades of the nave, containing seven arches on a side, are entire. The side walls have disappeared. Through these ranges of column and

arch, handsome certainly, but very plain, the woody landscapes of the neighbourhood are seen with great effect. The piers are circular, and the arches Anglo-Norman, although pointed. There are three stalls in the choir; they are of early Gothic, and in a very small space contain three different sizes and applications of the toothed ornament. They are so damaged that none but Gothic eyes would find out their excellence. The toothed ornament is used first in one capital of the pillars that supported the arcade, but which are now lost; secondly, in the centre of the arch mouldings throughout; thirdly, under the hood mould, a very small part of which remains. This arcade would be a very good model for an altar-piece. I consider this example of the toothed ornament, used in these various ways and different sizes, to be of great value.

The Chapter House of Buildwas Abbey is a fine specimen of early Gothic vaulting, but loses much of its beauty by the closing up of its eastern windows, and the intrusion of a round modern building in its north-eastern angle. I hope that some pity for this decaying but elegant fabric will protect it from further damage.

LILLESHALL ABBEY.

This ruin has nothing remarkable except a very fine Anglo-Norman western door and three early Gothic arches at the north-western corner. There is also a Norman door on the south side which is handsome. The walls are mostly plain; the windows are like those of Buildwas. A small chamber of Anglo-Norman vaulting is entire, which may have been the Chapter House, and the window of the Choir appears to have been a fine one. The situation of Lilleshall Abbey is retired and woody, but there is no distant view.

WHITE ABBEY AT ALBERBURY.

This Abbey appears to me never to have been completed; it was dependent on that of Grandmont in Picardy, and has long been used as a farm house.

There are the remains of the north aisle of the Church, the date positive, viz., early in the 13th century. Three compartments of stone vaulting, of its kind first rate, but without the secondary ribs, a superb triplet window on the largest scale (perhaps like the one in the Temple Church) and two doorways, are all that can now be seen; but these fragments are of great elegance, and though plain are of unusual purity, and would lead you to suppose that an Abbey like that at Valley Crucis or Abbey Dore had once existed here.

LUDLOW CHURCH, JULY, 1838.

This building is distinguished for its narrow loftiness of proportion. The hexagonal south porch, vaulted with stone, handsome and almost magnificent, is cooped up among brick houses, to the great annoyance of the Gothic amateur. Its form is unusual and its date is of the thirteenth century. The interior of this Church, although wretchedly spoilt by a multitude of modern galleries, must have once been decidedly fine. The piers are slender and the arches are well turned. The Chancel is like the choir of some Cathedral, and is rich in Gothic decoration. The large east window contains in painted glass the martyrdom of St. Lawrence: but the compartments are too numerous, and the figures too small, to produce any clear notion of the subject. It has been skilfully restored by Evans, the glass painter, of Shrewsbury.

The ceiling of this chancel is of Gothic woodwork in pannels with bosses. The chief bosses are gilt, the secondary pannels and bosses are of plain oak. There is much old painted glass in a fragmentary state in the side windows. The monuments (various in date and style) contain some good Gothic work.

There are stalls on both sides, but without any canopies, and the turn-up seats display some curious carving. The finials at the ends of each desk are exceedingly rich in foliage, and on one of them there is a

figure bearing on his head many crowns, which form a sort of Gothic tiara. (For the origin of this ornament see Revelations, chap. 5.)

On the N. and S. sides of the Choir there are two square spaces instead of side aisles, which are divided from the transepts of the Church by two screens of different patterns, but both vaulted. They both seem to belong to the fifteenth century. That on the N. side contains eight narrow two-centred arches, their heads filled with late Gothic tracery, their piers bearing a succession of rich vaulting, overhanging them by several feet, and finished by a running border and the Tudor flower. The basement is much adorned, as is usual in screens of later date, and the central arch, a flat segmental one, supports the two middle arches of the whole screen. Although not first-rate, yet from its being almost entire, this range of screen work with the mullioned windows beyond it, would form a good architectural subject.

The other screen is arranged with larger vaultings in three compartments, and is coarsely wrought. The ribs are numerous but clumsily put together. The Church of St. Lawrence is considered the finest in Shropshire. It will not retain its pre-eminence unless the unsightly galleries are removed and its modern ceilings converted into something better.

Left Ludlow for Tenbury. Passed at the distance of a few miles the Church of Little Hereford on the road, and reached Tenbury in the evening. It contains one long street, north and south. At the north end is a bridge of six arches over the Teme, the centre pier advancing higher up the stream than the others, having a very singular effect. I conclude it has been so built for greater strength during a flood. Went to the church at the south end of the town. The Norman tower is crowned with later pinnacles. The Church is partly ancient. I walked along the vale to Burford, about half a mile off. A very large hop-yard extended for some distance between the footpath and the river.

It is pleasing to pass these ranges of tendrilled foliage, receding one behind the other in regular perspective, and it is curious to observe how easily one can detect every plant that has fallen down with its pole when we pass at the head of each vista, however great the whole extent of it may be.

STOKESAY, JULY, 1838.

I have long known this beautiful ruin. A Church of inferior style and a Gatehouse of Elizabethan date with carvings of execrably bad workmanship and conception flank two sides of the Castle court. The great hall and a polygonal tower stand beyond these, and without any pretensions to magnificence have a practical air about them in some degree more striking than the ruins of a larger building. Then, again, they are beautiful specimens of early Gothic, too early perhaps for perfection of style, but yet showing a plain manliness of character that will always be admired.

The scene from under the gateway of the hall windows would make a beautiful subject in the hands of a skilful artist, also the Castle and Gatehouse from the Church-yard.

THE HYMENOMYCETES OF SHROPSHIRE.

By WILLIAM PHILLIPS, F.L.S.

THAT comparatively few botanists give their attention to the study of the curious and interesting plants classed as fungi, will account for the fact that up to the present time no adequate list of those found growing in Shropshire has been published. The following attempt to supply the want of such a list is made in the hope that other botanists may be induced to render their help in the study of our mycological flora, and supplement the little that has been already accomplished. The fugitive nature of many of these plants, and the irregular reappearance of them in places where they have been once observed to grow, tend to render the observations of the few who make them their study apparently insignificant. Thus out of 3,000 European species, only about 1,456 species are recorded as occurring in Britain, and but 414 of these appear in the following list. It would be a great mistake to infer that Shropshire is a barren field, or that any work worth speaking of has been done in this investigation. The pastures and the woodlands, the hills and the valleys of our lovely county abound in autumn with multitudes of striking species, many of which have not been satisfactorily identified, and some of which may in all probability be new to science.

It would be quite out of place here to give any such description of species as would aid a person unacquainted with fungi to determine species for themselves; this must be left to the works especially devoted to such a purpose, of which there exist a goodly number, and to

which references are given under each species. The edible and poisonous qualities are indicated when satisfactorily known, but a safe rule is never to attempt to eat a fungus with which you are not perfectly familiar. There is little doubt that a very large proportion are perfectly harmless, and will at some future time, when people become better informed, be used as articles of diet. The quantity of nitrogen they contain is said by the most competent authorities to place the edible species on an equality in regard to their nutritive properties with flesh meat. If it be asked how the poisonous can be distinguished from the edible, there is but one answer: acquire an intimate knowledge of the individual species, as the peasantry have of the Common mushroom (*Agaricus campestris*), the Horse mushroom (*Agaricus pratensis*), and the Giant Puff-ball (*Lycoperdon giganteum*). As no one would dream of going to the hedgerows to make an indiscriminate collection of umbelliferous plants with which to flavour his soup, so no one should dream of pursuing a similar course in collecting fungi. Many fatal accidents have resulted from want of proper caution.

As far as I am aware, the only work giving an account of the fungi of this county is the one so frequently referred to in the following list, "Illustrations of Fungi," by the late Mrs. Sarah Price of Bitterley, near Ludlow, which consists of 130 coloured lithographic figures of different species, all very true to nature. It was published by subscription in 1864 and 1865, and is dedicated to the late Sir William Jackson Hooker. I have been given to understand that the few rarer species which are represented were named on the authority of the Rev. M. J. Berkeley, which fact adds much to the value of the work. Very possibly there may exist private collections of drawings which I have not had the advantage of consulting, but I have been permitted to look over one of very much excellence executed by Miss M. F. Lewis, of Ludlow. Several rare species are very artistically represented,

as well as a large number of the commoner species. This collection has been referred to in my list.

I cannot send this list of Shropshire fungi to the press without thanking the Rev. M. J. Berkeley, F.R.S., for the kindness with which he has always aided me in my doubts, nor without expressing my obligation also to C. E. Browne, Esq., to the Rev. W. Houghton, F.L.S. (who gave me my first lessons in mycology), to Mr. Worthington Smith, Dr. M. C. Cooke, and Mr. C. B. Plowright, for much valuable aid.

I am indebted to Dr. M. C. Cooke for the use of the wood engravings which illustrate some of the more important genera, to whom I tender my best thanks.

ABBREVIATIONS.

- Ann. Nat. Hist.* Annals and Magazine of Natural History.
Batsch. Bastch. Elenchus Fungorum, 1783—1789.
Berk. Outl. Outlines of British Fungology, by the Rev. M. J. Berkeley, M.A., F.L.S.
Bolt. Bolton, History of Funguses, 1788—1791.
Bull. Bulliard, Herbier de la France, Paris 1780—1795.
Cooke Handb. Handbook of British Fungi, by M. C. Cooke, M.A., London, 1871.
Fries Hymen. Fries, E., Hymenomyces Europæi. Upsala, 1874.
Fries Icon. Fries, E., Icones Selectæ Hymenomycetum, 1877.
Gard. Chron. Gardeners' Chronicle.
Greville. Greville, Scottish Cryptogamic Flora, 1823—1829.
Grevillea. Grevillea, a Quarterly Record of Cryptogamic Botany, edited by M. C. Cooke, M.A., 1872—1880.
Hoffm. Icon. Anal. Hoffman, H., Icones Analyticæ Fungorum, 1862.
Jour. of Bot. Journal of Botany, London. Edited by H. Trimen, M.B., F.L.S.
Mag. Zoo. & Bot. Magazine of Zoology and Botany. London, 1837—1839.
Pers. Ic. & Descr. Persoon, C. H., Icones et Descriptiones Fungorum, 1798—1800.
Pers. Ic. Pict. Persoon, C. H., Icones Pictæ Rariorum Fungorum, 1803-6.
Pers. Myco. Eur. Persoon, C. H., Mycologia Europæa, 1822—1828.
Pers. Syn. Persoon, C. H., Synopsis Fungorum, 1801.
Price. Illustrations of the Fungi of our Woods and Fields, Series 1 and 2, by Sarah Price, 1864 and 1865.
Sand. & Sm. Saunders, W. W. and Smith, W. G., Mycological Illustrations. London, 1872.
Schoeff. Schoeffer, I. Fungorum Icones, 1762--74.
Smith Poi. M. Smith, W. G., Mushrooms and Toadstools. How to distinguish between Edible and Poisonous Fungi. London.
Tras. Woolth. Club. Transactions of the Woolhope Field Club, Hereford, 1867—1873.

I have indicated those species I have seen by the usual mark, a note of admiration (!)

THE HYMENOMYCETES.

ORDER I.—AGARICINI.

Genus I.—AGARICUS.

Series I.—LEACOSPORI (White Spored).

Sub-Genus I.—*Amanita*.

- AGARICUS PHALLOIDES, *Fr. Stinking Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 7. Price, fig. 28.
Common in woods! Aug. to Nov. Poisonous.
- AGARICUS VERNUS, *Bull. Spring Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 7. Price, fig. 3.
Bitterley Wood. Poisonous.
- AGARICUS MAPPA, *Fr. Delicate Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 7. Price, fig. 66.
Not uncommon about the Wrekin! Poisonous.
- AGARICUS MUSCARIUS, *Linn. Fly Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 8. Price, fig. 56.
Woods, especially fir and birch! Aug. to Nov. Poisonous.
The bright scarlet top, dotted with white patches, make it a conspicuous object in our woodlands.
- AGARICUS PANTHERINUS, *Fr. Spotted Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 9.
In pastures under trees, and borders of woods! Not poisonous.
Bearing a great resemblance to the next.
- AGARICUS RUBESCENS, *Fr. Reddish Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 9. Price, fig. 75.
In woods! Common. Esculent. Easily distinguished from the preceding by the reddish hue it assumes when cut or bruised.
- AGARICUS VAGINATUS, *Fr. Sleek Amanita*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 5. Berk. Outl., plate iii., fig. 4. Gard. Chron. (1861), p. 97.
In woods and under trees! Very common.
- AGARICUS STRANGULATUS, *Fr. Rough stemmed ringless Amanita* = *Agaricus Cecilie*, B. and Br.
Berk. Outl., plate iii., fig. 5. Price, fig. 112.
In woods, Aug. to Sept. Wrekin Wood!

Sub-Genus II.—*Lepiota*.

- AGARICUS PRO CERUS, *Scop.* *Parasol Mushroom*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 12. Price, fig. 74.
Woods and pastures ! Common. Esculent.
- AGARICUS RACHODES, *Vitt.* *Large grey Lepiota*.
Berk. Outl., plate iii., f. 6. Price, fig. 104.
In shady pastures ! Not common. Esculent. Kingsland,
Shrewsbury !
- AGARICUS EXCORIATUS, *Schæff.* *Flaky Lepiota*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 13.
In pastures and borders of woods ! Wrekin Wood ! Beek's
Field, Kingsland ! May to Sept. Esculent.
- AGARICUS ACUTESQUAMOSUS, *Weinm.* *Squarrose Lepiota*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 14.
On soil in gardens. Attingham Park !
- AGARICUS BADHAMI, *Berk.* *Saffron Lepiota*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 14. Saund. and Sm, plate xxxv. fig. 2.
Under Yew and other trees. Attingham Park ! Sept. The
flesh when cut or bruised assumes a rich red tint, inclining to
saffron.
- AGARICUS CLYPOLARIUS, *Bull.* *Fragrant Lepiota*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 15. Bull. tab. 405, 505, fig. 2.
In woods and hot-houses. One specimen occurred in the
Wrekin wood, June, 1872 !
- AGARICUS CRISTATUS, *A. & S.* *Stinking Lepiota*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 15. Price, fig. 105.
In fields and woods ! Common.
- AGARICUS CEPÆSTIPES, *Sow.* *Onion-stemmed Lepiota*,
Cooke's Handb., p. 16. Sow. tab. 2.
On tan. Preston Rectory ! Rev. W. Houghton.
- AGARICUS CARCHARIAS, *Pers.* *Pale granular Lepiota*.
Fries, Hymen., p. 36. Persoon. Ic. Pict. plate v., fig. 1-3.
In wood and on heaths. East end of Wrekin !
- AGARICUS GRANULOSUS, *Batsch.* *Granular Lepiota*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 17. Bolt. plate li., fig. 2.
In woods and on heaths ! Common.

Sub-Genus III.—*Armillaria*, *Fr.*

- AGARICUS MELLEUS, *Flo. Dan.* *Honey-Coloured Armillaria*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 19. Price, figs. 16 and 32.
On dead stumps ! Very common.
- AGARICUS MUCIDUS, *Schrad.* *Clammy Armillaria*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 20. Price, fig. 19.
On dead or dying beech trees. Not common,
Haughmond Hill !

Sub-Genus IV.—*Tricholoma*, Fr.

AGARICUS SEJUNCTUS, Sow. *Separating Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 21. Sow. plate cxxvi.

In woods. About the western base of Wrekin.

AGARICUS RESPLENDENS, Fr. *Shining Tricholoma*.

Fries Hymen., p. 49. Icon., plate xxix., fig. 1.

Ercal Hill, Wellington, in the wood! Rare.

AGARICUS FLAVO-BRUNNEUS, Fr. *Yellow-brown Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 22. Fr. Icon., plate xxvi., a.

In the wood west side of Wrekin!

AGARICUS ALBO-BRUNNEUS, P. *White and Brown Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 23. Sow., plate cccxvi.

In wood west side of Wrekin!

AGARICUS RUTILANS, Schæff. *Red-haired Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 24. Sow., plate xxxi.

On stumps of pine, Wrekin Wood! Tibberton Firs! Common.

AGARICUS COLUMBETTA, Fr. *Dove-colour Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 25. Fr. Icon., plate xxix., b.

In wood about Downton Castle! Rare.

AGARICUS SCALPTURATUS, Fr. *Scratched Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 24.

In woods, Wrekin Wood. Rev. W. Houghton. Not common.

AGARICUS VACCINUS, Pers. *Scaly Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 26. Pers. Ic. and Desc., plate ii., fig. 1-4.

Wrekin Wood! Not common.

AGARICUS TERREUS, Schæff. *Grey Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 27. Sow., plate lxxvi.

On borders of woods! Very Common.

AGARICUS SAPONACEUS, Fr. *Strong-scented Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 27. Bull., plate deii.

In woods! Not very common. Woods at base of the Wrekin!

AGARICUS SULPHUREUS, Bull. *Tar-scented Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 29. Sow., plate xlv.

Base of Haughmond Hill! Not common.

AGARICUS GAMBOSUS, Fr. *St. George's Mushroom*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 31. Berk. Outl., plate iv., fig. 5.

In pastures! May and June. Esculent.

AGARICUS PERSONATUS, Fr. *Purple-stemmed Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 193. Lepista. Berk. Outl., plate v., fig. 1.

On pastures, old manure heaps, &c.! Common. Esculent.

AGARICUS NUDUS, Bull. *Amethyst Tricholoma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 192. Lepiota. Price, plate xxxv.

In woods! Common.

More brightly coloured and smaller than preceding.

Sub-Genus V.—*Clitocybe*. *Fr.*AGARICUS NEBULARIS, *Fr.* *Clouded Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., page 35. Smith's English Mush., fig. 24.

In woods! Common. Esculent.

AGARICUS CLAVIPES, *Fr.* *Club-footed Clitocybe*.

Fries Hymen, p. 79. Saund. and Smith, fig. 31.

Occasionally in Wrekin woods!

AGARICUS ODORUS, *Bull.* *Blue Sweet-scented Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 36. Price, fig. 70.

Under cedar trees, Attingham Park! Wrekin wood! The colour, together with the aniseed odour, makes this an easily recognisable species.

AGARICUS PHYLLOPHILUS, *Fr.* *Leaf-loving Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 37.

Bomere, on dead leaves! Rather common.

AGARICUS CANDICANS, *Pers.* *Whitish Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 37. Bolt, fig. 17.

On dead leaves! Wrekin wood.

AGARICUS DEALBATUS, *Sow.* *Ivory Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 38. Sow, 128.

In fir plantations! Not common.

AGARICUS FUMOSUS, *Pers.* *Smoky Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 39. Fries Icon., plate liv, fig. 2.

Occasionally in Wrekin wood!

AGARICUS GIGANTEUS, *Sow.* *Giant Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 39. Sow, plate cxxliv.

Once seen in pasture near Corporation Gardens! Shrewsbury.

They grow in large rings. Many of the specimens were more than a foot in diameter.

AGARICUS GEOTROPUS, *Bull.* *Trumpet Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb. p. 41. Sow., plate lxi.

In hedge row near Clungunford! Wrekin Wood!

AGARICUS FLACCIDUS, *Sow.* *Flaccid Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 42. Sow., plate clxxxiv.

In woods! Not uncommon.

AGARICUS CYATHIFORMIS, *Fr.* *Cup-shaped Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb. p. 42. Sow., plate ccelxiii.

Hedge rows and meadows! Rather common.

AGARICUS DITOPUS, *Fr.* *Meal-scented Clitocybe*.

Fries, Hym., p. 104.

Preston, Rev. W. Houghton.

AGARICUS FRAGRANS, *Sow.* *Fragrant Clitocybe*.

Cooke's Handb. p. 43. Sow., plate x.

In woods! Very common. Esculent. This has a very strong odour of Aniseed.

AGARICUS LACCATUS, *Scop. Waxy Clitocybe.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 44. Price, fig. 122.
In woods! Everywhere.

Sub-Genus, VI.—*Collybia. Fr.*

AGARICUS RADICATUS, *Relh. Rooting Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 53. Price, fig. 98.

On old stumps and on soil in woods! Very common.

AGARICUS PLATYPHYLLUS, *Fr. Broad-gilled Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 54. Bull., fig. 594.

On dead stumps in woods! Lilleshall Wood!

AGARICUS FUSIPES, *Bull. Spindle Stem Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 54. Price, fig. 85.

On dead stumps, Oakeley Park! Wrekin Wood, &c.! Rather common.

AGARICUS MACULATUS, *A. & S. Spotted Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 55. Sow., plate cclvi.

Tibberton Firs! abundant. Rev. W. Houghton.

AGARICUS BUTYRACEUS, *Bull. Buttery Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 55. Bull., plate dlxxii.

Very common in Wrekin Woods!

AGARICUS VELUTIPES, *Curt. Velvet-stemmed Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 55. Bolt., plate cxxxv.

Common on dead wood! Winter and summer.

AGARICUS CONFLUENS, *Pers. Confluent Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 56. Pers., Ic., Pic., plate v., fig. 1.

Among dead leaves, Bomere!

AGARICUS CONIGENUS, *Pers. Fir cone Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 57. Fr. Icon., plate lxvi., fig. 3.

On fir cones, Wrekin Wood!

AGARICUS CIRRHATUS, *Schum. Cirrhate Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 57. Grevillea, vol. v., plate lxxxii., fig. 3.

Wrekin Wood! Wrekin!

AGARICUS TUBEROSUS, *Bull. Tuberous Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 58. Grev., plate xxiii.

Arising from small tubers (*sclerotia*) on dead *Russula*.

Common in Ercal Wood, Wellington! and elsewhere!

AGARICUS NITELLINUS, *Fr. Golden-yellow Collybia.*
Berk. Ann. Nat. Hist. Fries. Icon., plate lxv., fig. 1-2.

This was forwarded to the Rev. M. J. Berkeley, but unfortunately I omitted to record the locality where it was found, except near Shrewsbury.

AGARICUS TENACELLUS, *Pers. Delicate Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 60. Sow., plate cevi.

Growing from buried larch cones! Rather common.

AGARICUS PLUMIPES, *Kalch.* *Feathery-foot Collybia.*
Kalch. Icon., plate vi., fig. 3.

Under cedar trees. Attingham Park !

AGARICUS DRYOPHILUS, *Bull.* *Wood Collybia.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 59. Price, fig. 12.

Common in woods !

AGARICUS AQUOSUS, *Bull.* *Watery Collybia.*
Fries. Hymen., Europ., p. 122. *Bull.*, plate xii.
 In a garden, Shrewsbury !

Sub-Genus VII.—*Mycena*, *Fr.*

AGARICUS PELIANTHINUS, *Fr.* *Purplish Mycena.*
Berk. Outl., plate vi., fig. 1.
 On dead stumps. Lilleshall grounds !

AGARICUS ROSELLUS, *Fr.* *Rosy Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 65. *Pers. Syn.*, plate v., fig. 3.
 On fallen fir leaves, Wrekin Wood !

AGARICUS PURUS, *Bull.* *Amethyst Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 65. *Bull.*, plate dvii.
 Common in all our woods !

AGARICUS LUTEO-ALBUS, *Bolt.* *Bolton's Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 66. *Bolt.*, plate xxxviii, fig. 2.
 In mossy places about Wrekin wood ! Rare.

AGARICUS FLAVO-ALBUS, *Fr.* *Yellow-white Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 66. *A. Pumilus*, *Bull.*, plate cclx.
 On the base of trees amongst moss ! Not uncommon.

AGARICUS RUGOSUS, *Fr.* *Rugose Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 67. *Bull.*, plate dxviii, fig. k.m.
 On oak stumps. Ercal wood !

AGARICUS GALERICULATUS, *Scop.* *Little cap Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 67. Price, fig. 55.
 Common on old stumps !

AGARICUS POLYGRAMMUS, *Bull.* *Sulcate-stem Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 68. *Sow.*, plate cccxii.
 On dead wood ! Common.

AGARICUS ALCALINUS, *Fr.* *Stump Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 69. *Gard. Chron.* (1861), p. 1114.
 On trunks of trees ! Common.

AGARICUS TENUIS, *Bolt.* *Slender Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 70. Price, fig. 9.
 Bitterley Churchyard. Mrs. Price.

AGARICUS ACICULA, *Schoeff.* *Orange Mycena.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 71. *Schoeff.*, plate coxxii.
 On dead leaves, &c. Wrekin Wood ! Autumn.

- AGARICUS HÆMATOPUS, *Pers. Bleeding Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 72. Fries Icon., plate lxxxiii., fig. 1.
 On dead stump in Ereal Wood! Sept.
- AGARICUS SANGUINEOLENTUS, *A. & S. Stinking Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 72. Bull, plate dxviii, fig. P.
 Common in Wrekin Wood in the Autumn!
- AGARICUS GALOPUS, *Schrad. White Milky Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 73. Berk. Outl., plate vi., fig. 2.
 Wrekin Wood amongst dead leaves! Autumn.
- AGARICUS EPIPTERYGIUS, *Scop. Yellow-stem Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 73. Sow, plate xcii.
 Abundant amongst dead fern! (*Pteris aqualina*). Wrekin
 Wood! Tibberton Firs, &c! Common. Autumn.
- AGARICUS VULGARIS, *Pers. Common Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 74. Berk. Outl., plate vi., fig. 4.
 In larch plantation near Longswood! Autumn.
- AGARICUS STYLOBATES, *Pers. Discoid Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 75. Berk. Outl., plate vi., fig. 5.
 On twigs and in shady places! Common. Autumn.
- AGARICUS TENERRIMUS, *Berk. Delicate Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 75. Berk. Outl., plate vi., fig. 6.
- AGARICUS SACCHARIFERUS, *B. & Br. Sugary Mycena.*
 Berk. and Br. Ann. Nat. Hist., No. 1,216.
 On bramble stems! Middletown.
- AGARICUS CORTICOLA, *Schum. Bark Mycena.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 76. Sow, plate cexliii.
 On mossy stumps of trees, and on bark of living trees! Common.

Sub-Genus VIII.—*Omphalia*.

- AGARICUS MAURUS, *Fr. Black-Moor Omphalia.*
 Fries Hymeno., p. 156. Fries Icon., plate lxxiii., fig. 2.
 On the earth, General Cemetery, Shrewsbury! Nov.
- AGARICUS PYXIDATUS, *Bull. Variable Omphalia.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 78. Berk. Outl., plate vi., fig. 8.
 On lawns and hilly land! Common. Nov.
- AGARICUS SPHAGNICOLA, *Berk. Bog-moss Omphalia.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 79.
 On sphagnum, Bomere Pool! and Wrekin! Autumn.
- AGARICUS ONISCUS, *Fr. Bolton's Omphalia.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 79. Bolt., plate li., fig. c.
 On Shawbury Heath! Whixall Moss! Autumn.

AGARICUS HEPATICUS, *Batsch.* *Liver-coloured Omphalia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 78. Batsch., fig. 211.

On heathy places about Ludlow!

AGARICUS MURALIS, *Sow.* *Wall Omphalia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 79. Sow., plate cccxxii.

On mossy wall tops! Common.

AGARICUS UMBELLIFERUS, *Linn.* *Common Omphalia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 80.

On peaty soil in hilly districts! South west end of Wrekin.

Autumn. Not uncommon.

AGARICUS VIRIDIS, *Flo. Dan.* *Greenish Omphalia.*

Flora Dan., plate mclxxii., fig. 1.

On heathy ground near Weston, Shifnal!

AGARICUS RUFULUS, *B. and Br.* *Reddish Omphalia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 80.

On charcoal beds on the Ercal Hill, Wellington! Autumn.

AGARICUS FIBULA, *Bull.* *Button Omphalia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 82. Sow., plate xlv.

On damp moss! Wrekin!

VAR SWARTZII, *Fr.*

On mossy ground, amongst Polytrichum!

Sub-Genus IX.—*Pleurotus.*

AGARICUS ULMARIUS, *Bull.* *Elm Pleurotus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 46. Price, fig. 88.

On elm trees about Shrewsbury! Rather common.

AGARICUS OSTREATUS, *Jacq.* *Oyster Pleurotus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 48. Sow., plate ccxli.

On trees! Not unfrequent. Autumn.

AGARICUS ACEROSUS, *Fr.* *Lawn Pleurotus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 50. Lawn Pleurotus.

On grassy slopes. Shelton Rough, Shrewsbury! Autumn.

Rather rare.

AGARICUS LEIGHTONI, *Berk.* *Leighton's Pleurotus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 51. Berk. and Br. Ann. Nat. Hist., vol. xiii., plate ix, fig. 1.

On wood, Montford Bridge! Rev. W. A. Leighton. This occurred on the wood of a shed which has since been destroyed.

AGARICUS APPLICATUS, *Batsch.* *Little Grey Pleurotus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 52. Sow., plate cccii.

On dead wood! Not uncommon.

Ser. II.—HYPORHODII.

(Spores pink or salmon colour.)

Sub-Genus X.—*Volvaria*, Fr.AGARICUS VOLVACEUS, Bull. *Stove Volvaria*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 84. Sow., plate i.

In stones. Wrekin Wood! Autumn.

AGARICUS PARVULUS, Weinm. *Little Volvaria*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 85. Bull., plate cccxxx.

On the earth, Kingsland, Shrewsbury! Autumn.

Sub-Genus XI.—*Pluteus*, Fr.AGARICUS CERVINUS, Schæff. *Fawn Pluteus*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 87. Sow., plate cviii.

On dead stumps of trees. Autumn. Not common. Corporation Gardens, Shrewsbury! Lilleshall Wood! Wrekin Wood!

AGARICUS LEONINUS, Schæff.

Fries Hymeno, p. 188. Grevillea, v. 6, plate xciii.

On dead wood. Wynnstay Park! Autumn. Rare.

AGARICUS PHLEBOPHORUS, Ditm. *Veined Pluteus*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 89.

On dead wood. Wynnstay Park! Autumn. Rare.

Sub-Genus XIII.—*Entoloma*, Fr.AGARICUS SINUATUS, Fr. *Large-waved Entoloma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 90. Saunders and Smith, plate xi.

Norton Camp, Craven Arms! Autumn. Poisonous. Rare.

AGARICUS BLOXAMI, Berk. *Blue Entoloma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 91. Price, fig. 89.

In exposed pastures. I have never found this in Shropshire, but insert it on the authority of Mrs. Price.

AGARICUS SAUNDERSII, Fr. *Saunders's Entoloma*.

Saunders and Smith, plate xlv.

In a farmyard near Eaton Constantine!

AGARICUS JUBATUS, Fr. *Crested Entoloma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 93. Trans. Wool. Cl., 1868.

Wrekin Wood! Moist shady places. Autumn.

AGARICUS SERICELLUS, Fr. *Silky Entoloma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 93. Pers. Ic., plate vi., fig. 2.

Pastures near Dorrington! Autumn.

AGARICUS CLYPEATUS, Linn. *Buckler Entoloma*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 93. Berk. Outl., plate vii., fig. 6.

Shrewsbury Racecourse! May.

- AGARICUS NIDOROSUS, *Fr.* *Strong-scented Entoloma.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 95.
Preston, near Wellington ! Rev. W. Houghton.

Sub-Genus XIV.—*Clitopilus.*

Sub-Genus XV.—*Leptonia, Fr.*

- AGARICUS SERRULATUS, *Pers.* *Saw-gilled Leptonia.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 99. Bull., plate ccccxiii., fig. 1.
Pasture near Shrewsbury ! Autumn.
- AGARICUS CHALYBEUS, *Pers.* *Steel-blue Leptonia.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 100. Sow., plate clxi.
Tibberton Firs ! Rev. W. Houghton. Autumn.

Sub-Genus XVI.—*Nolania, Fr.*

- AGARICUS PASCUUS, *Pers.* *Pasture Nolanea.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 101. Bolt., plate xxxv.
In pastures ! Common. Autumn.
- AGARICUS MAMMOSUS, *Lin.* *Nipple Nolanea.*
Fries. Hymeno., p. 207. Bull., plate dxxvi. *A sericeo.*
In a pasture, Kingsland ! Autumn.
- AGARICUS PISCIODORUS, *Ces.* *Fish-scented Nolanea.*
Fries. Hymeno., p. 208.
General Cemetery, amongst the trees ! Autumn.

Sub-Genus XVII.—*Eccilia, Fr.*

- AGARICUS CARNEO-GRISEUS, *B. and Br.* *Flesh-grey Eccilia.*
B. and Br., Ann. Nat. Hist., No. 1001, with a figure.
General Cemetery, side of path ! Autumn.

Sub-Genus XVIII.—*Claudopus, Smith.*

- AGARICUS VARIABILIS, *Pers.* *Variable Claudopus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 98. Sow., plate xcvii.
On dead wood and sticks ! Common.

Ser. III.—DERMINI.

(Brown spores.)

Sub-Genus XIX.—*Pholiota, Fr.*

- AGARICUS EREBIUS, *Fr.* *Infernal Pholiota.*
Fries, Hymeno, p. 216.
Norton Camp !

- AGARICUS DURUS, *Bolt.* *Hard Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 104. Bolt., plate lxvii, fig. 1.
Astley, in a pasture! May.
- AGARICUS PRÆCOX, *Pers.* *Spring Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 105. Berk. Outl., plate viii., fig. 1.
On the earth, Ercal Hill! May.
- AGARICUS RADICOSUS, *Bull.* *Rooting Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 105. Bull., plate clx.
On stumps of trees. Wrekin! Not common.
- AGARICUS HETEROCLITUS, *Fr.* *Eccentric Pholiota.*
Fries Hymeno., p. 220. Hoffm. Ico. Anal, plate xiv., fig. 2.
On dead trunk of poplar, Hopton Heath! Autumn.
- AGARICUS AURIVELLUS, *Batsch.* *Golden Pholiota.*
Saunders and Smith, plate ix.
On dead stumps of trees. Haughmond Hill! Rare.
- AGARICUS SQUARROSUS, *Müll.* *Scaly Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 107. Saun. and Sm., plate xviii., fig. 1.
On trunks of trees. Longford Park! Wrekin! Common.
- AGARICUS SPECTABILIS, *Fr.* *Orange Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 108. Sow., plate lxxvii.
On stump of fir tree, Shawbury Heath! Haughmond Hill!
- AGARICUS ADIPOSUS, *Fr.* *Pineapple Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 108. Berk. Outl., plate viii., fig. 2.
On dead tree, Haughmond Hill!
- AGARICUS MUTABILIS, *Schæff.* *Changeable Pholiota.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 109. Price, fig. 123.
On dead stump, Lilleshall, Rev. W. Houghton. Downton
Castle! Autumn.

Sub-Genus XX.—*Inocybe*, *Fr.*

- AGARICUS PHEOCEPHALUS, *Bull.* *Red-headed Inocybe.*
Ann. Nat. Hist. Bull., plate dlv., fig. 1.
Preston, near Wellington, Rev. W. Houghton. "Only one
small specimen of this species" was seen.
- AGARICUS PLUMOSUS, *Bolt.* *Downy Inocybe.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 114. Bolt., plate xxxiii.
Larch plantation, Wrekin! Autumn.
- AGARICUS PYRIDORUS, *Pers.* *Pear-scented Inocybe.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 115. Bull., plate dxxxii., fig. 1.
In a pasture, Preston! Rev. W. Houghton.
- AGARICUS SCABER, *Müll.* *Rough Inocybe.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 115. Sow., plate ccvii.
On charcoal beds, Wrekin! Ludlow! Autumn.

AGARICUS RIMOSUS, *Bull. Cracked Inocybe.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 118. Sow., plate ccxxiii.

Woods! Autumn. Common.

AGARICUS GEOPHYLLUS, *Sow. Wood Inocybe.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 119. Sow., plate cxxiv.

In woods. Very common! Autumn. The white and the purple varieties are common.

Sub-Genus XXI.—*Hebeloma*, *Fr.*AGARICUS FASTIBILIS, *Fr. Ochrey Hebeloma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 118. Schœff, plate ccxi.

AGARICUS VERSIPELLIS, *Fr. Changeable Hebeloma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 111.

Under fir trees, Almond Park! Autumn.

AGARICUS CRUSTULINIFORMIS, *Bull. Ring Hebeloma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 112. Berk. Outl., plate ix., fig. 1.

Abundant in General Cemetery, Shrewsbury! Autumn.

Sub-Genus XXII.—*Flammula*, *Fr.*AGARICUS CARBONARIUS, *Fr. Viscid Charcoal Flammula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 122. Journal of Botany, 1868, plate lxxv., fig. 5-8.

Abundant on charcoal beds, Ercal Hill! Wrekin! Common. Autumn.

AGARICUS HYBRIDUS, *Fr. Hybrid Flammula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 123.

On fir stumps, Tibberton Firs! Rev. W. Houghton.

AGARICUS SAPINEUS, *Fr. Bright-spored Flammula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 124. Pers. Icon. Desc., plate iv., fig. 7.

Tibberton Firs! Rev. W. Houghton. Autumn.

Sub-Genus XXIII.—*Naucoria*, *Fr.*AGARICUS SEMIORBICULARIS, *Bull. Half-round Naucoria.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 129. Berk. Outl., plate ix., fig. 4.

On pastures! Common. Autumn.

Sub-Genus XXIV.—*Pluteolus*, *Fr.*Sub-Genus XXV.—*Galera*, *Fr.*AGARICUS TENER, *Schœff. Slender Galera.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 133. Sow., plate xxxiii.

On pastures! Common. Autumn.

AGARICUS HYPNORUM, *Batsch. Moss-loving Galera.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 134. Sow., plate colxxxii.

On Polytrichum and other mosses! Common.

- AGARICUS SPHAGNORUM, *Pers. Bog Moss Galera.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 184. Bull., plate dlx., fig. H.B.
 On sphagnum, Bomere Pool! Wrekin! Autumn.

Sub-Genus XXVI.—*Tubaria*, *Sm.*

- AGARICUS FURFURACEUS, *Bull. Mealy Tubaria.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 186. Bull., plate dxciii., fig. 3.
 On dead pieces of wood! Very common. Summer and Autumn.

Sub-Genus XXVII.—*Crepidotus*, *Fr.*

- AGARICUS MOLLIS, *Schæff. Soft Crepidotus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 125. Price, fig. 25.
 On fallen trees. Hopton Heath Station! Downton Castle!
- AGARICUS RUBI, *Berk. Bramble Crepidotus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 126. Berk. Outl., plate ix., fig. 7.
 On fragments of dead bramble! Not uncommon.
- AGARICUS PHILLIPSII, *B. and Br. Phillips's Crepidotus.*
 B. and Br. Ann. Nat. Hist., No. 1,658. Grevillea, vol. vii.,
 plate cxxi., fig D.
 On decaying grass bents, Ercal Hill, Wellington!

Ser. IV.—PRATELLI.

(Purple spored.)

Sub-Genus XXVIII.—*Chitonina*, *Fr.*

Sub-Genus XXIX.—*Psalliota*, *Fr.*

- AGARICUS ARVENSIS, *Schæff. Horse Mushroom.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 137. Berk. Outl., plate x., fig. 4.
 In meadows! Common. This is brought to the Shrewsbury market.
- AGARICUS CAMPESTRIS, *Linn. Common Mushroom.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 137. Price, fig. 63.
 In pastures.
 Although this county can hardly vie with Hereford in the quantity of this, the common mushroom, produced in favourable seasons, still it is enormous.
- AGARICUS SILVATICUS, *Schæff. Wood Psalliota.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 183. Schæff., plate cexlii.
 Under cedar trees. Attingham Park!
- VAR HÆMORRHOIDALIS, *Kalh. Bleeding Psalliota.*
 Lilleshall Wood! Autumn. Rev. W. Houghton.
 This assumes a blood-red colour in the flesh when cut or bruised.

AGARICUS ECHINATUS, *Roth. Bristling Psalliota.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 86. Berk. Mag., Zool and Bot, No. 38, plate xv., fig. 1.

On decaying vegetable heaps! Preston, Rev. W. Houghton. Orleton, near the garden! A very striking species.

Sub-Genus XXX.—*Pilosace*, *Fr.*

Sub-Genus XXXI.—*Stropharia*.

AGARICUS ÆRUGINOSUS, *Curt. Livid green Stropharia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 140. Price, fig. 121.
In woods and meadows! Very common.

AGARICUS SQUAMOSUS, *Fr. Scaly Stropharia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 141. Berk. Outl., plate x., fig. 6.
In woods! Tibberton Firs! Wrekin! Rather rare.

AGARICUS STERCORARIUS, *Fr. Dung Stropharia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 142. Bull., plate dlxvi., fig. 4.
On dung! Common.

AGARICUS SEMIGLOBATUS, *Batsch. Semiglobose Stropharia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 142. Grev. f., 344.
On dung or near it in meadows! Common.

Sub-Genus XXXII.—*Hypholoma*, *Fries.*

AGARICUS SUBLATERITIUS, *Schæff. Brick-red Hypholoma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 143. Smith Pois. Mush., f. 22.
On old stumps of trees! Common.

AGARICUS CAPNOIDES, *Fr. Fir-wood Hypholoma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 143.
On old stumps of fir trees. Wrekin! Tibberton Firs! Down-ton Woods!

AGARICUS FASCICULARIS, *Huds. Tufted yellow Hyphaloma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 144. Sow., plate cclxv.
On dead stumps of trees! Very common.

AGARICUS LACRYMABUNDUS, *Fr. Weeping Hypholoma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 144. Bull., plate exciv.
On the ground and on stumps! Not uncommon.

VAR VELUTINUS, *Pers.*

This variety is occasionally seen.

AGARICUS APPENDICULARIS, *Bull. Appendiculate Hypholoma.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 146.
On dead stumps! Common.

Sub-Genus XXXIII.—*Psilocybe*. *Fr.*

AGARICUS SEMILANCEATUS, *Fr. Liberty-cap Psilocybe.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 148. Sow., plate cclxviii, fig. 1-8.
In pastures! Common.

AGARICUS SPADICEUS, *Fr.* *Bay Psilocybe.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 148. Schœff, plate lx., fig. 4-6.

On dead wood and on the ground! Common.

AGARICUS FŒNISECII, *P.* *Brown Psilocybe.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 149. Berk. Outl. plate xi., fig. 5.

In meadows! Common.

Sub-Genus XXXIV.—*Psathyra*, *Fr.*AGARICUS SPADICEO-GRISEUS, *Schœff.* *Bay-grey Psathyra.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 151. Schœff, plate cccxxvii.

On dead wood, chips, &c.! Not uncommon.

AGARICUS BIFRONS, *Berk.* *Changing Psathyra.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 151. Grevillea, v. V., plate lxxviii, fig. 2.

In damp places in woods. Attingham Park! 1874. Rare.

Ser. V.—COPRINARIÆ.

(Spores, black).

Sub-Genus XXXV.—*Panaeolus*, *Fr.*AGARICUS SEPARATUS, *Linn.* *Distant-ring Panaeolus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 155. Berk. Outl., plate ii., fig. 7.

On dung in pastures and woods! Common.

AGARICUS FIMIPUTRIS, *Fr.* *Dark-grey Panaeolus.*

Cooke's Handb., page 156. Berk. Outl., plate ii., fig. 6.

On dung in woods and pastures! Common.

AGARICUS CAMPANULATUS, *L.* *Campanulate Panaeolus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 157. Bull., plate dxi., fig. 2.

On dung and rich soil! Common.

Gen. II.—*Montagnites*, *Fr.*Gen. III.—*Coprinus*, *Pers.*COPRINUS COMATUS, *Fr.* *Shaggy Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 161. Price, fig. 49.

In woods, sides of roads, &c.! Common. Edible,

COPRINUS ATRAMENTARIUS, *Fr.* *Inky Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 162. Price, fig. 40.

On decayed wood and on soil! Common.

COPRINUS PICACEUS, *Fr.* *Magpie Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 162.

On road side near Dorrington! Rare.

COPRINUS EXTINGUORIUS, *Fr.* *Extinguisher Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 164. Bolton, plate xxiv.

On the earth!

COPRINUS FIMETARIUS, *Fr. Shaggy dung Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 164. Bull., plate lxxxviii.

On dung heaps ! Common.

COPRINUS NIVEUS, *Fr. Snowy Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 164.

On dung in meadows ! Common.

COPRINUS MICACEUS, *Fr. Glistening Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 165. Sow., plate cclxii.

On dead wood ! Common.

COPRINUS RADIANS, *Fr. Radiating Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 166.

On damp walls, Shrewsbury !

Butter Cross, Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Not uncommon.

COPRINUS NARCOTICUS, *Fr. Stinking Coprinus.*

Fries Hymen., p. 329.

On dung heap, Shrewsbury ! 1878. Rare.

This species has not been previously found in Britain.

COPRINUS RADIATUS, *Fr. Delicate Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 168. Bolton, plate, xxxix, fig. 100.

On dung heaps ! Common.

COPRINUS EPHEMERUS, *Fr. Ephemeral Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 168. Bull., plate cxxviii.

On dung heaps ! Common.

COPRINUS PLICATILIS, *Fr. Plaited Coprinus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 169. Price, fig. 33.

In pastures ! Common.

Genus IV.—*Bolbitius*. *Fr.***BOLBITIUS BOLTONII**, *Fr. Bolton's Bolbitius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 170. Bolt., plate cxlix.

On dung, Meole Brace ! Not common.

BOLBITIUS FRAGILIS, *Fr. Fragile Bolbitius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 170. Bolt., plate xevi.

On dung in pastures ! Common.

BOLBITIUS TITUBANS, *Fr. Wavering Bolbitius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 170. Sow., plate cxxviii.

On dung in pastures ! Common.

Genus V.—**CORTINARIUS**. *Fr.*Sub-Genus I.—*Phlegmacium*. *Fr.***CORTINARIUS PURPURASCENS**, *Fr. Purplish Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 175. Grevillea, plate cv., fig. 2.

In Wrekin Woods ! Downton Woods !

CORTINARIUS TURBINATUS, *Fr.* *Top-shaped Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 175. Bull., plate cx.

Downton Wood! Very rare.

CORTINARIUS COLLINITUS, *Fr.* *Smeared Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 177.

Haughmond Hill! Not common.

Sub-Gen. II.—*Myxaciium.* *Fr.***CORTINARIUS LIVIDO-OCRACEOUS**, *Fr.* *Livid-ochry Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb. p. 178.

Shelton Rough! 1875. Not common.

Sub-Gen. III.—*Inoloma.* *Fr.***CORTINARIUS BOLARIS**, *Fr.* *Collared Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 180. Grevillea, v. V., plate lxxix.

Downton Woods! Woolhope Club. Rare.

CORTINARIUS PHOLIDEUS, *Fr.* *Scaly Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 180. Grevillea, v. VII., plate cxvii., fig. 1.

Downton Woods! Rare.

CORTINARIUS ARENATUS, *Fr.* *Sandy Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 181. Bull., plate dlxxxvi.

Bomere Pool, 1879.

Sub-Gen. IV.—*Dermocybe.***CORTINARIUS TABULARIS**, *Fr.* *Flat Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 182. Bull., 431, fig. 5.

Wrekin Wood, Rev. W. Houghton, 1875.

CORTINARIUS CANINUS, *Fr.* *Rufous Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 182. Saun. & Sm., plate xv.

Wrekin Woods! Downton Woods! Common.

CORTINARIUS CINNABARINUS, *Fr.* *Cinnabar Cortinarius.*

Fries Hymen., p. 370. Grevillea, v. VII., plate cx., fig. 4.

Downton Woods! Woolhope Club.

CORTINARIUS SANGUINEUS, *Fr.* *Blood-red Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 183. Sow., plate xliii.

Downton Wood! Rare.

CORTINARIUS CINNAMOMEUS, *Fr.* *Cinnamon Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 184. Sow., plate ccv.

Tibberton Firs! Wrekin Woods! Downton Woods.

Sub-Gen. V.—*Telamonea.***CORTINARIUS BULBOSUS**, *Fr.* *Bulbous Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 185. Sow., plate cxxx.

General Cemetery! 1875. Rare.

CORTINARIUS TORVUS, *Fr. Crabby Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 185. Bull., plate dc., fig. Q. R. S.
Wrekin Woods ! Not uncommon.

CORTINARIUS IMPENNIS, *Fr. Unplumed Cortinarius.*

Fries Hymen., p. 376.

Bomere Pool ! 1879. The Rev. M. J. Berkeley, to whom I sent fresh specimens and drawing, named this. It had not been previously recorded as British.

CORTINARIUS HINNULEUS, *Fr. Fawn Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 186. Sow., 173.

Wrekin Wood ! Downton Wood ! Not Common.

CORTINARIUS EVERNIUS, *Fr. Tufted Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 186. Sow., plate exxv.

Wrekin Wood ! 1875. Rev. W. Houghton.

CORTINARIUS ARMILLATUS, *Fr. Red Zoned Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 186.

Tibberton Firs ! Rev. W. Houghton, 1874.

Sub-Gen. VI.—*Hydrocybe*.**CORTINARIUS CASTANEUS**, *Fr. Chestnut Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 190. Bull., plate dxxvii., fig. 2.

Wrekin ! Downton ! Common.

CORTINARIUS ACUTUS, *Fr. Acute Cortinarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 191. Grevillea, v. VII., plate cxii., f. 5.

Ercall, near the Wrekin !

Gen. VI.—**GOMPHIDEUS**. *Fr.***GOMPHIDEUS GLUTINOSUS**, *Fr. Glutinous Gomphideus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 205. Sow., plate vii.

Wrekin woods ! Downton woods ! Not uncommon.

VAR ROSEUS.

Wrekin Woods ! Rare.

GOMPHIDEUS VISCIDUS, *Fr. Viscid Gomphideus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 205.

Whiteliff, Ludlow ! Downton Woods ! Not uncommon.

Gen. VII.—**PAXILLUS**. *Fr.***PAXILLUS INVOLUTUS**, *Fr. Involute Paxillus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 194. Berk. Outl., plate xii, fig. 5.

Wrekin woods ! General Cemetery ! Shrewsbury, &c. Common.

PAXILLUS PANUOIDES, *Fr. Pale Paxillus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 195. Berk. Outl., plate xii, fig 6.

On sawdust, Wrekin ! Rare.

PAXILLUS PARADOXUS (Kalchb.), *Berk.*

Fries Hymen., p. 244—under Flammida. Kalchbr. Fung.

Hung., plate xvi., fig. 1.

Ercall, Wellington, 1875.

The Rev. M. J. Berkeley considers this to belong Paxillus. Rare.

Genus VIII.—*Hygrophorus*.HYGROPHORUS EBURNEUS, *Fr.* *Ivory Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 196. Price, fig. 19.

In woods. Miss Price. Rare.

HYGROPHORUS COSSUS, *Sow.* *Goat-moth Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 193. Sow., plate cxxi.

The Woods. Ludlow. Rare.

HYGROPHORUS OLIVACEO-ALBUS, *Fr.* *Olive Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 198. Schœff., plate cccxii.

Wrekin Woods! and Bomere Woods! Rather rare.

HYGROPHORUS HYPOTHEJUS, *Fr.* *Pine-wood Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 198. Sow., plate viii.

Wrekin! near the summit! The Woods, Ludlow.

HYGROPHORUS PRATENSIS, *Fr.* *Pasture Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 199. Sow., plate cxli.

In pastures! Common. Esculent.

HYGROPHORUS VIRGINEUS, *Fr.* *Satin-white Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 199. Price, fig. 41.

In pastures! Common. Esculent.

HYGROPHORUS NIVEUS, *Fr.* *Snow-white Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 199. Schœff., plate cccxxii.

In pastures! Common.

HYGROPHORUS FORNICATUS, *Fr.* *Arched Hygrophorus.*

Grevillea, v. IV., p. 86.

Attingham Park! Rare.

HYGROPHORUS DISTANS, *Berk.* *Distant-gilled Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 200. Price, fig. 5.

In woods. Miss Price. Rare.

HYGROPHORUS METAPODIUS, *Fr.*

Grevillea, v. II., p. 118.

View Edge, Craven Arms. Miss Lewis. Rare.

HYGROPHORUS OVINUS, *Fr.* *Sheep Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 200. Bull., plate dlxxx.

Longmynd, Church Stretton! Whitcliff, Ludlow! Not uncommon.

HYGROPHORUS HOUGHTONI, *Berk.* *Houghton's Hygrophorus.*

Grevillea, v. II., p. 118. Grevillea, v. V., plate lxxviii., fig. 1.

Tibberton Firs! Rev. W. Houghton. Whitcliff, Ludlow!

HYGROPHORUS LÆTUS, *Fr.* *Shining Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 200.

Whitcliff, Ludlow! Rare.

HYGROPHORUS FOETENS, *Phill.* *Stinking Hygrophorus.*

Grevillea, v. VII., p. 74. Grevillea, v. VII., plate cxxi., fig. 18.

On the lawn, General Cemetery, Shrewsbury! 1878 and 1879.

The odour of this species is very striking and disagreeable.

HYGROPHORUS COCCINEUS, *Fr.* *Carmine Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 201. Price, fig. 57.

On pastures and lawns! Common.

HYGROPHORUS MINIATUS, *Fr.* *Vermillion Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 202.

On sphagnum, Bomere Pool! 1873. Kingsland, Shrewsbury! 1879.

HYGROPHORUS PUNICEUS, *Fr.* *Blood-red Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 202. Bolt., plate lxvii., fig. 2.

Longmynd, Church Stretton! Whitcliff, Ludlow!

HYGROPHORUS OBRUSSEUS, *Fr.* *Golden-yellow Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 202. Bolt., plate lxviii.

Whitcliff, Ludlow! Not common.

HYGROPHORUS CONICUS, *Fr.* *Conical Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 203. Sow., 381.

On lawns and pastures! Very common.

HYGROPHORUS CALYPTRÆFORMIS, *Berk.* *Hood-like Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 204. Trans. Woolh. Club, 1861, plate xxi., fig. 4-6.

Pasture on Kingsland, Shrewsbury! Breidden Hill! Rather rare.

HYGROPHORUS CHLOROPHANUS, *Fr.* *Sulphury Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 203.

Pasture on Kingsland, Shrewsbury! Whitcliff, Ludlow! Common.

HYGROPHORUS PSITTACINUS, *Fr.* *Parrot Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 203. Sow., plate lxxxii.

On pastures and lawns! Common.

HYGROPHORUS UNGUINOSUS, *Fr.* *Dingy Hygrophorus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 204.

Attingham Lawn! 1873. Not common.

HYGROPHORUS NITRATUS, *Pers.* *Nitrous Hygrophorus.*Cooke's Handb., p. 204. = *Hygrophorus Murinacius.*

On pasture, Kingsland, Shrewsbury! View Edge, Craven Arms! Miss Lewis.

Genus IX.—*Lectarius*.

LACTARIUS TORMINOSUS, *Fr. Woolly Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 207. Sow., plate ciii.

Tibberton Firs, Rev. W. Houghton. Downton Wood! Not common.

LACTARIUS TURPIS, *Fr. Dirty Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 207.

Wrekin Wood! Haughmond Hill! Not uncommon.

LACTARIUS CONTROVERSUS, *Fr. Stained Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 208. Trans. Woolh. Club, 1868.

Under poplars, Copthorn! 1875. Rare.

LACTARIUS PUBESCENS, *Schrad. Pubescent Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 208.

On lawn in General Cemetery, Shrewsbury! Observed for several years in succession.

LACTARIUS INSULSUS, *Fr. Unsavoury Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 208. Berk. Outl., plate xiii., fig 2.

Wrekin woods! Welshampton moss! Common.

LACTARIUS BLEUNIUS, *Fr. Slimy Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 209.

Wrekin woods! Hadnall! Common.

LACTARIUS PYROGALLUS, *Fr. Pear-scented Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 210. Smith Poison, fig. 18.

Whitcliff, Ludlow! Kingsland, Shrewsbury!

LACTARIUS PIPERATUS, *Fr. Peppery Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 212. Smith P. M., fig. 15.

Wrekin Wood! Ford! Ercal Hill, Wellington!

LACTARIUS VELLEREUS, *Fr. Woolly-white Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 212. Sow., plate civ.

Wrekin Wood! Downton Wood! Not common.

LACTARIUS EXSUCCUS, *Sm. Dry Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 212.

Wrekin Wood! Not common.

LACTARIUS DELICIOSUS, *Fr. Delicious Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 213.

Tibberton Firs! Wrekin Wood! Common.

LACTARIUS PALLIDUS, *Fr. Pallid Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 213. Saund. & Sm., plate xvi.

Wrekin Woods! Common.

LACTARIUS QUIETUS, *Fr. Mild-reddish Lectarius*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 214.

Wrekin woods! Bomere Wood! Rather common.

LACTARIUS THEIOGALUS, *Fr. Sulphur-juiced Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 214. Smith P. M., fig. 20.

Wrekin woods! Downton Wood!

VAR CHRYSORHÆUS, *Fr.*

Whitcliff Wood, Ludlow! Not common.

LACTARIUS RUFUS, *Fr. Red Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 215. Smith, P. M., fig. 12.

In woods. Common.

LACTARIUS GLYCOSMUS, *Fr. Scented Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 215.

Tibberton Firs! Rev. W. Houghton. Shawbury Heath!

Wrekin Wood! Rather rare.

LACTARIUS SERIFLUUS, *Fr. Thin-juiced Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 215. Berk. Outl., plate xiii., fig. 4.

In woods! Common.

LACTARIUS MITISSIMUS, *Fr. Mild Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 216.

Wrekin Wood! Not common.

LACTARIUS SUBDULCIS, *Fr. Sweet Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 217. Sow., plate cciv.

In woods! Common.

LACTARIUS CAMPHORATUS, *Fr. Camphory Lactarius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 217. Bull., plate dlxvii., fig. 1.

Ercall Hill, Wellington! Church Stretton! Rare.

This retains its strong odour after being kept for years as dried specimen.

Genus X.—*Russula*, *Fr.*

RUSSULA NIGRICANS, *Fr. Blackish Russula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 218. Sow., plate xxxvi.

In woods! Common.

RUSSULA ADUSTA, *Fr. Scorched Russula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 218.

In woods! Not uncommon.

RUSSULA FURCATA, *Fr. Forked Russula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 219. Bull., plate xxvi.

In woods! Common.

RUSSULA SANGUINEA, *Fr. Blood-red Russula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 219. Smith, P. M., fig. 17.

In woods! Wrekin! Not common.

RUSSULA VIRESCENS, *Fr. Greenish Russula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 220. Berk. Outl., plate xliii., fig. 6.

Bomere Pool, in the wood! Wrekin Wood! Rather common

- RUSSULA RUBRA, *Fr.* *Red Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 221. Schœff., plate xv., fig. 4-6.
Wrekin Wood! Not uncommon.
- RUSSULA HITEROPHYLLA, *Fr.* *Variable Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 222. Price, fig. 37.
In woods! Common.
- RUSSULA FOETENS, *Fr.* *Fœtid Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 222. Sow., plate ccccxv.
Under oak trees! Common.
- RUSSULA SUBFOETENS, *Sm.*
Similar to preceding, but devoid of the fœtid odour. Common.
- RUSSULA QUELETII, *Fr.* *Quelet's Russula.*
Grevillea, v. VI., p. 71.
Wrekin Wood! Not common.
- RUSSULA EMETICA, *Fr.* *Emetic Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 223. Smith, P. M., fig. 21.
In woods! Not uncommon. Poisonous.
- RUSSULA OCHROLEUCA, *Fr.* *Ochrey Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 223.
In woods! Wrekin. Not common.
- RUSSULA FRAGILIS, *Fr.* *Fragile Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 224. Bull., plate dix., fig. T. U.
In woods! Common.
- RUSSULA ALUTACEA, *Fr.* *Tan-coloured Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 225. Price, fig. 36.
In woods! Common.
- RUSSULA LUTEA, *Fr.* *Yellow Russula.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 226. Grevillea, v. VI., plate xci., fig. 1.
Attingham Park! Whitcliff! Under trees. Not uncommon.

Genus XI.—*Cantharellus*, *Fr.*

- CANTHARELLUS CIBARIUS, *Fr.* *Edible Chantarelle.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 227. Grevillea, plate cclviii.
In woods! Common.
- CANTHARELLUS AURANTIACUS, *Fr.* *False Chantarelle.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 227. Sow., plate cccxiii.
In woods! Common.
- CANTHARELLUS CARBONARIUS, *A. & S.* *Charcoal Cantharellus* = *Cantharellus Radicosus*, *B. & Br.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 229. Saund. & Sm., plate i.
On charcoal beds, Ercal Hill! Very abundant in 1869-1871,
but not seen since.

CANTHARELLUS HOUGHTONII, *Phillips. Houghton's Chantarelle, B. & Br.*

Ann. & Mag. Nat. Hist., No. 1565. Grevillea, v. V., plate lxxvi., fig. 1.

On dead stump, Preston, Wellington. Rev. W. Houghton.
Named after the discoverer, to whom I am much indebted for my first lessons in Mycology.

CANTHARELLUS TUBÆFORMIS, *Fr. Tubceform Chantarelle.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 228.

Wrekin Wood! Downton Wood! Rare.

CANTHARELLUS INFUNDIBULIFORMIS, *Fr. Funnel-shaped Chantarelle.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 229.

Whitcliff Wood! Wrekin Wood! Rather common.

Genus XII.—*Arrhenia*, *Fr.*

Genus XIII.—*Nyctalis*, *Fr.*

NYCTALIS ASTEROPHORA, *Fr. Star-bearing Nyctalis.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 231. Bull., plate dxvi., fig. 1.

On decayed *Russula nigricans*, Wrekin Wood!

Ercall Hill, Wellington! Common.

NYCTALIS PARASITICA, *Fr. Parasitic Nyctalis.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 231. Berk. Outl., plate xix., fig. 2.

On decayed *Russula*! Not uncommon.

Genus XIV.—*Marasmius*, *Fr.*

MARASMIUS PERONATUS, *Fr. Masked Marasmius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 292. Berk. Outl., plate xiv., fig. 4.

On decaying leaves on the ground! Common.

MARASMIUS OREADES, *Fr. Fairy-ring Champignon.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 238. Price, fig. 11.

Forming rings in pastures! Common. Esculent.

MARASMIUS ERYTHROPUS, *Fr. Pallid Marasmius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 234.

On decayed stumps! Common.

MARASMIUS RAMEALIS, *Fr. Twig Marasmius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 237. Bull., plate cccxxvi.

On dead twigs! Common.

MARASMIUS ROTULA, *Fr. Collared Marasmius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 238. Berk. Outl., plate xiv., fig. 7.

On dead fallen twigs! Common.

MARASMIUS AUDROSACEUS, *Fr. Black-stemmed Marasmius.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 239. Bolton, plate xxxii.

On decayed fallen leaves! Common.

MARASMIUS INSITTIOSUS, *Fr.* *Horny-stemmed Marasmius.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 239. Berk. Outl., plate xiv., fig. 6.
On decayed leaves, grass, &c. ! Common.

MARASMIUS EPIPHYLLUS, *Fr.* *Leaf Marasmius.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 240. Sow., plate xciii.
On fallen decayed leaves ! Common.

Genus XV.—*Lentinus*, *Fr.*

Genus XVI.—*Panus*, *Fr.*

PANUS CONCHATUS, *Fr.* *Shell Panus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 244. Bull., plate cxcviii.
On stump in Whiteliff Wood ! Rare.

PANUS TORULOSUS, *Fr.* *Twisted Panus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 244. Bolt., plate cxxxvi.
On stump of tree, Bicton, near Shrewsbury ! Rare.

PANUS STYPTICUS, *Fr.* *Styptic Panus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 245. Smith P.M., fig. 6.
On stumps of trees. Common.

Genus XVII.—*Xerotus*, *Fr.*

Genus XVIII.—*Trogia*, *Fr.*

Genus XIX.—*Schizophyllum*, *Fr.*

SCHIZOPHYLLUM COMMUNE, *Fr.* *Common Schizophyllum.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 247. Grev., plate lxi.
On dead wood, Wellington ! Rare.

Genus XX.—*Lenzites*, *Fr.*

LENZITES BETULINA, *Fr.* *Birch Lenzites.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 247. Berk. Outl., plate xv., fig. 3.
On stumps ! Common.

ORDER II.—POLYPOREI.

Genus XXI.—*Boletus*, *Dil.*

BOLETUS LUTEUS, *Linn.* *Brown-yellow Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 250. Price, fig. 29.
In woods, chiefly fir ! Common.

BOLETUS ELEGANS, *Schum.* *Elegant Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 250. Price, fig. 110.
In woods ! Common.

- BOLETUS FLAVUS**, *With.* *Bright yellow Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 250. Bolt., plate clxix.
In woods! Common.
- BOLETUS BOVINUS**, *Linn.* *Shallow-pored Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 252.
Ludlow Woods, Miss Lewis. Wrekin Wood! Tibberton Firs!
- BOLETUS BADIUS**, *Fr.* *Bay Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 252.
Tibberton Firs, Rev. W. Houghton. Wrekin Woods! Whitcliff Wood! Common.
- BOLETUS SANGUINEUS**, *With.* *Blood-red Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 252. Sow., plate cccxv.
In pasture, Church Stretton! Ludlow Wood, Miss Lewis.
Rare.
- BOLETUS PIPERATUS**, *Bull.* *Peppery Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 252. Sow., plate xxxv.
Tibberton Firs, Rev. W. Houghton, Ludlow Wood, Miss Lewis.
- BOLETUS VARIEGATUS**, *Swartz.* *Variegated Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 252.
Ludlow, Miss Lewis.
- BOLETUS CHRYSENTERON**, *Fr.* *Red-cracked Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 254. Bull., plate cccxc., fig. 3.
In pastures and woods! Common.
- BOLETUS SUBTOMENTOSUS**, *Linn.* *Yellow-cracked Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 254. Price, fig. 2.
In woods! Common.
- BOLETUS RUBINUS**, *Smith.* *Red-tubed Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 253. Journal Bot., 1868.
This was once found, but locality omitted to be recorded. Rare.
- BOLETUS EDULIS**, *Bull.* *Edible Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 256. Price, fig. 63.
In woods. Common.
- BOLETUS SATANUS**, *Lenz.* *Satanic Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 257. Smith, P.M., fig. 27.
Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Poisonous. Rare.
- BOLETUS LURIDUS**, *Fr.* *Lurid Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 258. Grev. plate cxxi.
In woods, Norton Camp! Tibberton Firs! Boreatton Park!
Rather Common!
- BOLETUS LARACINS**, *Berk.* *Larch Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 251.
Whitcliff, Ludlow! Rare.
- BOLETUS SCABER**, *Fr.* *Shaggy-stemmed Boletus.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 259. Sow., plate clxxv.
In woods! Common. Esculent.

- BOLETUS CASTANEUS, *Bull.* *Chestnut Boletus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 261. Bull, plate cccxxviii.
 Bicton, Shrewsbury ! Rare.

Genus XXII.—*Strobilomyces*, *Berk.*

- STROBILOMYCES STROBILIACEUS, *Scop.* *Cone-like Boletus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 261.
 In woods. Ludlow ! Marrington Dingle, Miss Lewis. Very rare.

Genus XXIII.—*Festulina*, *Bull.*

- FESTULINA HEPATICA, *Fr.* *Beef-steak Fungus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 292. Price, fig. 22.
 On trunks of trees, oak, &c. Shelton Rough ! Shrewsbury !
 Ludlow Wood, Miss Lewis.

Genus XXIV.—*Polyporus*, *Fr.*

- POLYPORUS PERENNIS, *Fr.* *Perennial Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 264. Price, fig. 86.
 On charcoal beds in woods ! Common.
- POLYPORUS SQUAMOSUS, *Fr.* *Scaly Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 265. Price, fig. 115.
 On trunks ! Common.
- POLYPORUS PICIPES, *Fr.* *Pied-stem Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 265. Grev. plate ccii.
 On dead wood, Wrekin ! Rare.
- POLYPORUS GIGANTEUS, *Fr.* *Large-branched Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 268. Bolt., plate lxxvi.
 On beech tree, Attingham Park ! Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Rare.
- POLYPORUS SULFUREUS, *Fr.* *Sulphury Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 268. Price, fig. 116.
 On yew tree, N.E. side of Wrekin ! Not common.
- POLYPORUS SALIGNUS, *Fr.* *Willow Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 269. Bolt., plate lxxviii.
 On willow, Haughmond Hill ! Not common.
- POLYPORUS CHIONEUS, *Fr.* *Soft-white Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 269.
 On trunks, Wrekin Wood ! Not common.
- POLYPORUS CÆSIUS, *Fr.* *Blue-grey Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 270. Sow., plate cccxvi.
 On dead trunks, Wrekin ! Not common.
- POLYPORUS DESTRUCTOR, *P.* *Destructive Polyporus.*
 Cooke's Handb., p. 270.
 About a sawpit on the Wrekin, on the very old sawdust !

POLYPORUS NIDULANS, *Fr. Nestling Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 270.

On Mountain Ash, Bucknall! Downton Wood.

POLYPORUS FUMOSUS, *Fr. Smoky Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 271.

On dead stumps! Common.

POLYPORUS ADUSTUS, *Fr. Scorched Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 271. Sow., plate cccxxxi.

On dead stumps! Common.

POLYPORUS HYSPIDUS, *Fr. Hispid Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 272. Grev., plate xiv.

On Ash tree, Shelton, Shrewsbury! Haughmond Hill!
Common.POLYPORUS CUTICULARIS, *Fr. Hairy Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 272. Bull, plate cccclxii.

On Oak tree, Kingsland, Shrewsbury! Rare.

POLYPORUS DRYADEUS, *Fr. Dripping Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 273. Bull, plate cccclviii.

Oak trees. Haughmond Hill, 1873! Kingsland, Shrewsbury!
Not uncommon. Remarkable on account of the globules of
moisture exuded from the pores.POLYPORUS BETULINUS, *Fr. Birch Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 273. Grev. plate cccxvi.

On Birch trunks, Bomere Pool! Not uncommon. Generally
when young assuming the shape of a horse's hoof, and nearly
as hard.POLYPORUS APPLANATUS, *Fr. Flattened Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handbook, p. 274. Bull, plate ccccliv.

On trunks of trees! Not uncommon.

POLYPORUS FOMENTARIUS, *Fr. Dingy-hoof Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handbook, p. 274. Sow., plate cccxxiii.

On trunks! Common.

POLYPORUS IGNIARIUS, *Fr. Rusty-hoof Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 275. Sow., plate cccxxii.

On trunks! Common.

POLYPORUS RIBIS, *Fr. Currant-bush Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 275.

At the base of old currant bushes! Common.

POLYPORUS ULMARIUS, *Fr. Elm Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 276. Berk. Outl., plate xvi., fig. 5.

On old elms! Common.

POLYPORUS ANNOSUS, *Fr. Imbricated Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 277. Schœff., plate cccxxviii., fig. 1-3.

On stumps near the ground! Common.

POLYPORUS HIRSUTUS, *Fr.* *Bristly Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 278.

On dead trunks! Not uncommon.

POLYPORUS VELUTINUS, *Fr.* *Velvety Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 278.

On dead trunks! Not common.

POLYPORUS VERSICOLOR, *Fr.* *Common Zoned Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 279. Price, fig. 127.

On dead wood! Very common.

POLYPORUS ABIETINUS, *Fr.* *Whitish Fir Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 279. Grev., plate dxxvi.

On larch and pine! Not uncommon.

POLYPORUS FERRUGINEUS, *Fr.* *Rusty Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 280. Grev., plate 155.

On dead wood, Attingham Park! Common.

POLYPORUS VULGARIS, *Fr.* *Common effused Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 282. Berk. Outl., plate xvi., fig. 6.

On decayed wood! Common.

POLYPORUS VAPORARIUS, *Fr.* *Creeping Polyporus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 284.

On dead wood lying on the ground! Common.

Genus XXV.—*Trametes*, *Fr.*Genus XXVI.—*Dædalea*, *Pers.*DÆDALEA QUERCINA, *P.* *Oak Dædalia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 287. Price, fig. 20.

On oak stumps! Common.

Genus XXVII.—*Hexagona*, *Poll.*Genus XXVIII.—*Favolus*, *Fr.*Genus XXIX.—*Meruleus*, *Fr.*MERULEUS CORIUM, *Fr.* *Leathery Meruleus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 289. Grev. plate cxlvii.

On dead trunks and sticks! Common.

MERULEUS LACRYMANS, *Fr.* *Dry-rot Meruleus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 291. Price, fig. 30.

On timber, often in cellars, sometimes doing great mischief in houses by destroying the woodwork.

Genus XXX.—*Porothelium*, *Fr.*

ORDER III.—HYDNEI.

Genus XXXI.—*Hydnum*, Linn.HYDNUM REPANDUM, Linn. *Spreading Hydnum*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 294. Sow, plate clxxvi.

On the ground in woods! Common.

This is esteemed good eating by some, but much depends upon the plants being young, and being properly cooked.

HYDNUM ZONATUM, Batsch. *Zoned Hydnum*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 295. Batsch, fig. 224.

Whiteliff Wood! Rare.

HYDNUM CYATHIFORME, Schæff. *Funnel-shaped Hydnum*.

Var. TOMENTOSUM.

Cooke's Handb., p. 296.

Wood at Bomere Pool! Rare. A very fragrant species.

HYDNUM AURISCALPIUM, Linn. *Fir-cone Hydnum*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 296. Grev., plate cxcvi.

On fallen fir-cones, Hanwood! Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Common.

HYDNUM ALUTACEUM, Fr. *Tan-coloured Hydnum*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 300.

On fallen rotten sticks! Not uncommon.

HYDNUM NIVEUM, P. *Snowy Hydnum*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 300.

On dead wood! Not common.

Genus XXXII.—*Hericium*, Pers.Genus XXXIII.—*Tremellodon*, Pers.TREMELLODON GELATINOSUM, Pers. *Gelatinous Hydnum*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 298.

On saw-dust, Wrekin Wood! Rev. W. Houghton.

This remarkable species has occurred several times in great quantity about a saw-pit in the above place.

Genus XXXIV.—*Mucronella*, Fr.Genus XXXV.—*Sistotrema*, Pers.Genus XXXVI.—*Irpex*, Fr.Genus XXXVII.—*Radulum*, Fr.Genus XXXVIII.—*Grandinia*, Fr.Genus XXXIX.—*Odontia*, Fr.Genus XL.—*Kneiffia*, Fr.

ORDER IV.—THELEPHOREI.

Genus XLI.—*Craterellus*. Fr.

CRATERELLUS CORNUCOPIOIDES, Pers. *Horn-like Craterellus*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 309. Berk. Outl., plate xix., fig. 6.
Whiteliff Woods! Ludlow, Miss Lewis.

CRATERELLUS SINUOSUS, Fr. *Waved Craterellus*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 310.

Lilleshall Wood! Ercal Hill, Wellington!

CRATERELLUS CRISPUS, Fr. *Crisped Craterellus*.
Cooke's Handbook, p. 310. Sow., plate lxxv.
Wrekin Wood! Downton Wood!

Genus XLII.—*Cladoderis*. P.Genus XLIII.—*Thelephora*. Elin.

THELEPHORA SOWERBEII, B. and Br. *Sowerby's Thelephora*
Cooke's Handbook, p. 311. Sow., plate clv.
Tibberton Firs! 1878. Rare.

THELEPHORA PALLIDA, Fr. *Pallid Thelephora*.
Berk. in Ann. Nat. Hist., No. 1574.
Tibberton Firs! Found in company with the Rev. W. Houghton, and forwarded to the Rev. M. J. Berkeley under this name, who considered it doubtful whether it should not be referred to the preceding species.

TELEPHORA LACINIATA, Pers. *Torn Thelephora*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 313. Bolt., plate clxxiii.
On charcoal beds, Ercal Hill! Common.

Genus XLIV.—*Stereum*, Pers.

STEREUM PURPUREUM, Fr. *Purple Stereum*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 316. Sow., plate cccxxxviii, fig. 1.
On fallen trunks! Common.

STEREUM HIRSUTUM, Fr. *Hairy Stereum*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 316. Grev., plate cclvi.
On stumps! Very common.

STEREUM SANGUINEOLENTUM, Fr. *Bleeding Stereum*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 317. Grev., plate ccxxv.
On stumps! Common.

STEREUM RUBIGINOSUM, Fr. *Rubiginous Stereum*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 318. Sow., plate xxvi.
On dead wood! Common.

STEREUM TABACINA, Lev. *Flaccid Stereum*.
Cooke's Handb., p. 318. Bolt., plate clxxiv.
On fallen branches! Ercal Hill. Not common.

STEREUM RUGOSUM, *Fr. Rugose Stereum.*

Cooke Handb., p. 817.

On stumps! Common.

Genus XLV.—*Auricularia*, *Bull.*

AURICULARIA MESENERICA, *Fr. Entire Auricularia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 319. Price, fig. 27.

On stumps. Broome Station! Ludlow, Miss Price. Not uncommon.

Genus XLVI.—*Phlebia*, *Fr.*

Genus XLVII.—*Corticium*, *Fr.*

CORTICIUM LÆVE, *Fr. Even Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 321.

On decayed wood! Common.

CORTICIUM CÆRULEUM, *Fr. Blue Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 322.

Ford! Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Not uncommon.

CORTICIUM CALCEUM, *Fr. Chalky Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 323.

On pine wood! Common.

CORTICIUM QUERCINUM, *P. Oak Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 324. Grev., plate cxlii.

On oak branches! Common.

CORTICIUM CINEREUM, *Fr. Cinerous Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 324.

On dead wood! Common.

CORTICIUM INCARNATUM, *Fr. Bright-coloured Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 324.

On dead wood! Common.

CORTICIUM COMEDEUS, *Fr. Erumpent Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 325.

On branches! Common.

CORTICIUM TYPHÆ, *Fekl.*

On dead stems of Typha! Common.

CORTICIUM PUTEANUM, *Schum. Cellar Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 315. *Thelephora.*

On the under side of decaying timber, &c.! Common.

CORTICIUM SAMBUCI, *P. Elder Corticium.*

Cooke's Handb., p.

On elder branches! Common.

Sub-Genus II.—*Hypochnus*, *Fr.*

HYPOCHNUS OLIVACEUM, *Fr. Olive Hypochnus.*

Berk. Outl., p. 269.

On dead wood, Shrewsbury! Not uncommon.

Genus XLVIII.—*Solenia*, Hoffm.SOLENIA FASCICULATA, Pers. *Fasciculate Solenia*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 329. Pers. Myco. Europ., plate xii., fig. 8, 9.

On decayed willow, Shrewsbury! Not common.

SOLENIA OCHRACEA, Hoffm. *Ochery Solenia*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 329. Sow., plate cccxix., fig. 3.

On dead bark of trees! Common.

Genus XLIX.—*Cyphella*, Fr.CYPHELLA GRISEO-PALLIDA, Fr. *Pale-grey Cyphella*.

Var SAMBUCCI.

Cooke's Handb., p. 326.

On elder, Shrewsbury! Rare.

This does not well accord with the description, and as I have found the same plant both at Shelton and Nobold, near Shrewsbury, each time on elder bark, I venture to regard it as a new variety.

CYPHELLA MUSCIGENA, Fr. *Whitish Moss Cyphella*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 326. Price, fig. 45.

On moss, Wrekin! Ludlow.

CYPHELLA CURREYI, B. & Br. *Currey's Cyphella*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 328.

On elm bark! Not uncommon.

CYPHELLA CAPULA, Fr. *Stalked Cyphella*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 329.

On dead nettle stems! Common.

CYPHELLA VILLOSA (Pers.) *Villous Cyphella*.Cooke's Handb., under *Peziza*, p. 690. Sow., plate cccxxxix., fig. 1.

On herbaceous stems! Common.

ORDER V.—CLAVARIEL.

Gen. I.—*Sparassis*, Fr.SPARASSIS CRISPA, Fr. *Crisped Sparassis*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 330. Jour. Bot., vol. 6, 1861.

On the earth, Preston, near Wellington. Rare.

This handsome fungus has been found several years in succession in the same spot by the Rev. W. Houghton. It is esculent.

Gen. II.—*Clavaria*, Linn.CLAVARIA BOTRYTES, Pers. *Red-tipped Clavaria*.

Cooke's Handb., p. 331. Price, fig. 76.

In woods. In a wood above Ludlow, Price. Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Rare.

- CLAVARIA AMETHYSTINA, *Bull.* *Amethyst Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb. p. 331.
Whiteliff, Ludlow! Rare.
- CLAVARIA FASTIGIATA, *Linn.* *Fastigate Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 331. Price, fig. 101.
In pastures! Common.
- CLAVARIA CORALLOIDES, *L.* *White Coral Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 332. Sow., plate cclxxviii.
Wrekin Wood! Rare.
- CLAVARIA CINEREA, *Bull.* *Cinereous Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 332. Grev., plate lxiv.
Downton Woods! Llanforda, Oswestry! Not uncommon.
- CLAVARIA CRISTATA, *Pers.* *Crested Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 332. Grev., plate exc.
In woods. Boreatton Park! Not uncommon.
- CLAVARIA RUGOSA, *Bull.* *Wrinkled Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 332. Price, fig. 43.
Whiteliff, Ludlow! Wrekin Wood! Rather common.
- CLAVARIA AUREA, *Schæff.* *Golden Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 333. Schæff., plate cclxxxvii.
Whiteliff, Ludlow! Rare.
- CLAVARIA ABIETINA, *Pers.* *Fir-wood Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 333. Grev., plate cxvii.
In fir woods! Common.
- CLAVARIA FLACCIDA, *Fr.* *Flaccid Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 334.
In woods, Downton! Not common.
- CLAVARIA STRICTA, *Pers.* *Straight Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 334.
In the Rev. W. A. Leighton's Garden, Shrewsbury!
Determined by Mr. W. G. Smith. Rare.
- CLAVARIA FUSIFORMIS, *Sow.* *Spindle-shape Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 335. Sow., plate 224.
In woods! Common.
- CLAVARIA INÆQUALIS, *Flo. Dan.* *Unequal Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 336. Price, fig. 118.
In woods! Common.
- CLAVARIA VERMICULATA, *Scop.* *White-tufted Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 337. Smith, E. M., fig. 4.
In lawns and pastures! Common.
- CLAVARIA FRAGILIS, *Holms.* *Fragile Clavaria.*
Cooke's Handb., p. 337. Sow., plate xc. and cexxxii.
Red Hill, near Shrewsbury! Not common.

CLAVARIA PISTILLARIS, *Linn. Large-clubbed Clavaria.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 337. Sow., 277.

Downton Wood! Ludlow, Miss Lewis.

CLAVARIA ARDENIA, *Sow. Lady Arden's Clavaria.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 338. Sow., plate ccxv.

Mary Knoll. Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Rare.

CLAVARIA JUNCEA, *Fr. Thread-like Clavaria.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 338. Bull., plate cccclxiii., fig. H.

On dead leaves! Ludlow, Miss Lewis. Rare.

Gen. LII.—*Calocera, Fr.*

CALOCERA VISCOSA, *Fr. Clammy Calocera.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 339. Schœff., plate clxxiv.

On dead trunks of firwood! Common.

CALOCERA CORNEA, *Fr. Horny Calocera.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 339. Sow., plate xl.

On dead stumps! Common.

Gen. LIII.—*Pterula, Fr.*

Gen. LIV.—*Typhula, Fr.*

TYPHULA ERYTHROPUS, *Desm. Red-stemmed Erythropus.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 341.

On dead herbaceous stems, Wrekin! Shelton Rough! Not uncommon.

TYPHULA GREVILLEI, *Fr. Greville's Typhula.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 342. Grev., plate xlix.

On dead leaves near Shrewsbury! Ercal Hill! Not uncommon.

Gen. LV.—*Pistillaria, Fr.*

PISTILLARIA QUISQUILLIARIS, *Fr. Fern-stem Pistillaria.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 343. Sow., plate cccxxiv., fig. 1.

On dead Pteris Aqualina! Common.

Order VI.—TREMELLINEI.

Gen. LVI.—*Tremella, Dill.*

TREMELLA FOLIACEA, *Pers. Foliaceous Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 345. Price, fig. 73.

On dead branches and trunks! Not common. Near Ludlow, Miss Lewis.

TREMELLA LUTESCENS, *Pers. Yellowish Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 345. Price, fig. 44.

On dead wood, Wrekin Wood! Near Ludlow, Miss Price.

TREMELLA MESENERICA, *Retz. Orange Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 345. Price, fig. 26.

On dead sticks! Common.

TREMELA ALBIDA, *Huds.* *Whitish Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 346. Price, fig. 50.

On dead branches! Common.

TREMELLA INTUMESCENS, *Sow.* *Contorted Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 346.

On dead wood, Lilleshall! Not common.

TREMELLA MORIFORMIS, *Berk.* *Mulberry Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 346. Price, fig. 21?

I insert this on the authority of Mrs. Price, but her figure hardly gives a true idea of the usual form of the plant.

TREMELLA SARCOIDES, *With.* *Flesh-like Tremella.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 733. Price, fig. 61.

On dead stumps. Common.

This is the early or *Stylospor* condition of

BULGARIA SARCOIDES.

Gen. LVII.—*Exidia*, *Fr.*

EXIDIA GLANDULOSA, *Fr.* *Witches' Butter. Exidia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 349. Bull., plate cccxx., fig 1.

On dead wood! Common.

Gen. LVIII.—*Hirneola*, *Fr.*

HIRNEOLA AURICULA JUDÆ, *Fr.* *Jew's Ear Hirneola.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 349. Price, fig. 95.

On Elder tree, Aymestry Gate! Bitterly, Mrs. Price. Horton

Lane, near Shrewsbury! Not common.

Gen. LIX.—*Sabacina*, *Tul.*

Gen. LX.—*Ditiola*, *Fr.*

Gen. LXI.—*Femsjon*, *Fr.*

Gen. LXII.—*Nematelia*, *Fr.*

NÆMATELIA VIRESCENS, *Corda.* *Greenish Nematelia.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 350.

On furze branches! Common.

Gen. LXIII.—*Guepinia*, *Fr.*

Gen. LXIV.—*Dacrymyces*, *Nees.*

DACRYMYCES DELIQUESCENS, *Dub.* *Yellow Dacrymyces.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 351. Price, fig. 58.

On pine branches! Common.

DACRYMYCES STILLATUS, *Nees.* *Orange Dacrymyces*

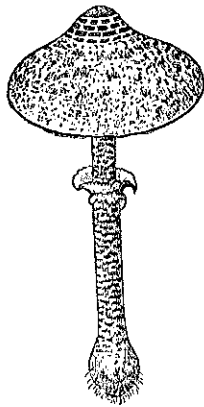
Cooke's Handb., p. 352. Berk. Outl., plate xviii., fig 8.

On pine wood! Not uncommon.

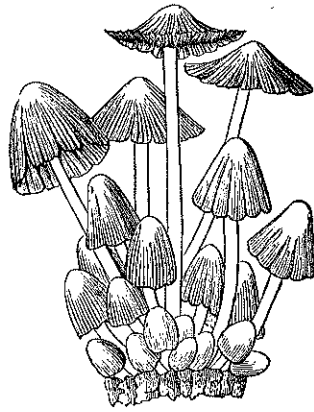
DACRYMYCES CHRYSOCOMUS, *Tul.* *Yellow Fir Dacrymyces.*

Cooke's Handb., p. 352.

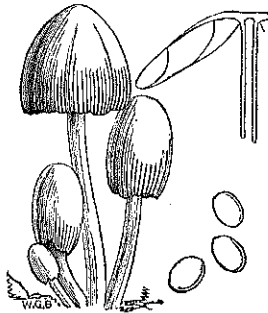
On fir branches! Common.



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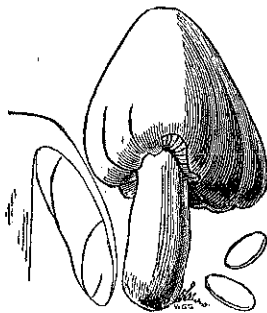
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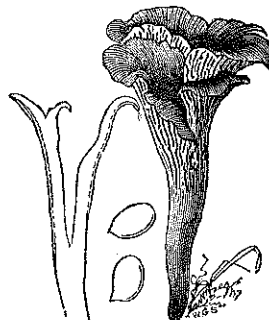
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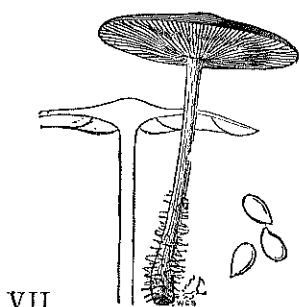
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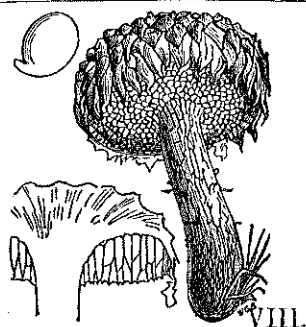
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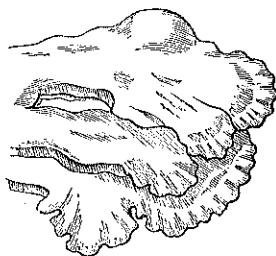
- I.—*Agaricus (Lepiota) Procerus, Scop.*
Reduced to one-third the natural size. See page 398.
- II.—*Coprinus Micaceous, Fr.*
Reduced to one-third the natural size. See page 412.
- III.—*Bolbitius Fragilis, Fr.*
Reduced to one-half the natural size, with a section shewing the shape of the gills, and three spores. See page 412.
- IV.—*Cortinarius (Myxaciium) Collinitus, Fr.*
Reduced to one-half the natural size, with a section of a young plant shewing the shape of the gills and the veil, and two spores. See page 413.
- V.—*Hygrophorus Conicus, Fr.*
Reduced to one-half the natural size, with section shewing the gills, and two spores. See page 416.
- VI.—*Cantharellus Cinereus, Fr.*
Reduced to one-half the natural size, with a section, and two spores. Not hitherto found in Shropshire. See page 419.



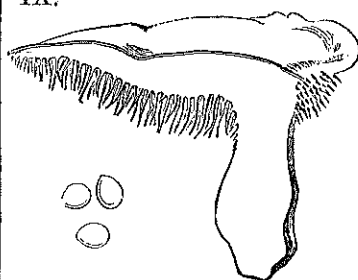
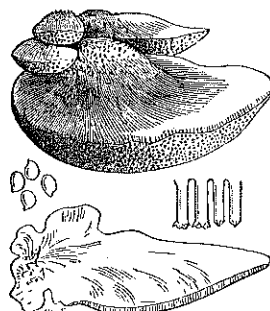
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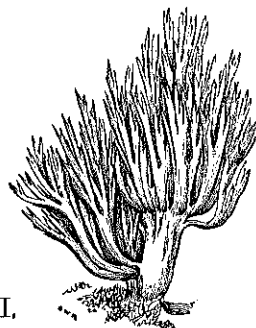
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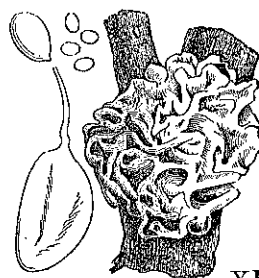
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DESCRIPTION OF PLATE II.

VII.—*Marasmius Peronatus*, *Fr.*

Reduced to one-half the natural size, with section shewing the form of the gills, and three spores. See page 420.

VIII.—*Strobilomyces Strobilaceus*, *Berk.*

Reduced to one-third the natural size, with section shewing the form of the pores, and one of the spores. See page 423.

IX.—*Polyporus Sulfureus*, *Fr.*

Reduced to one-fifth the natural size. See page 423.

X.—*Fistulina Hepatica*, *Fr.*

Reduced to one-third the natural size, with section shewing the tubes. The right hand small figure represents the tubes enlarged, and the left hand middle figure four of the spores. See page 428.

XI.—*Hydnum Repandum*, *L.*

A section, the natural size, and three spores. See page 426.

XII.—*Stereum Hirsutum*, *Fr.*

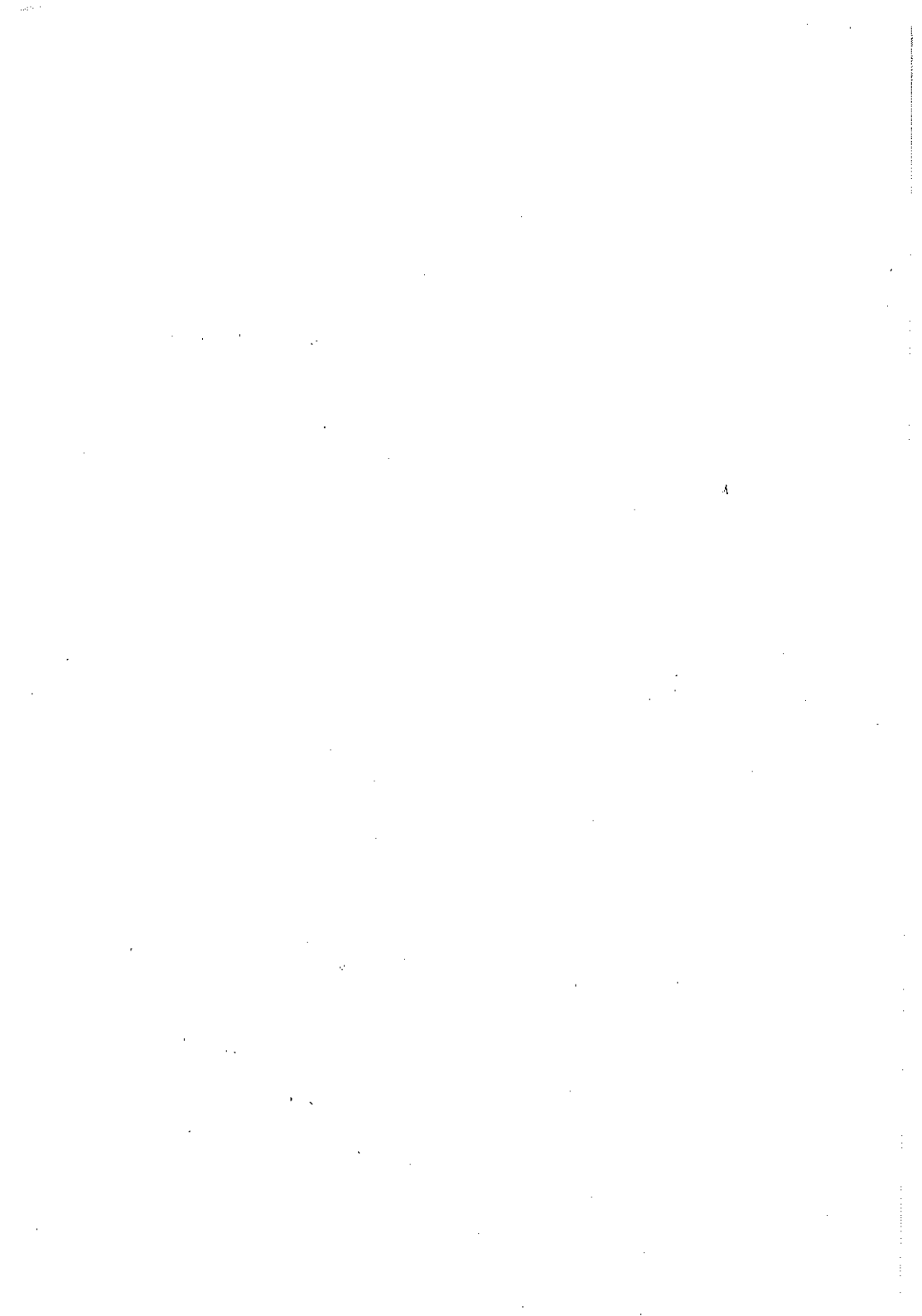
The natural size ; the upper left hand figure is a section of the pileus, and on the right hand two spores. See page 427.

XIII.—*Clavaria Abietina*, *Schum.*

Reduced to one-half its natural size. See page 430.

XIV.—*Tremella Mesenterica*, *Retz.*

Natural size ; the left hand figures are the spores. See page 431.



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ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Annual Meeting of the Members of this Society was held at the Museum on Tuesday, December 9th, 1879, the Rev. Canon Butler presiding. There were also present the following members:—The Revs. T. Auden, C. H. Drinkwater, and W. A. Leighton; and Messrs. J. Calcott, W. E. Beckwith, C. Cortissos, D. Davies, G. A. Drayton, J. R. Humphreys, J. Laing, T. Onions, H. J. Oldroyd, W. Phillips, J. Sharpe, and J. P. Smith.

The Honorary Secretary (Mr. Adnitt) presented the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts. From the latter it appeared that the income of the Society, including a balance of £43 13s. 4d., amounted to £331 12s. 1d. Of this sum £119 13s. had been expended in printing the Journals of the Society's Proceedings, and there remained a balance in hand of £69, or, including subscriptions not yet received, of £84. The following is the Report:—

The Council of the Shropshire Archæological and Natural History Society have much pleasure in presenting this Report and Statement of Accounts (for the year ending June 24th) to the members of the Society. It will be seen that the financial condition of the Society is in a satisfactory state, for not only have the expenses of printing and publishing the year's *Transactions*, as well as the cost of maintaining the Museum of the Society, been defrayed, but sundry sums have been spent in improving the Museum, and there is still a balance in hand on the year's accounts of £25 6s. 9d., which, added to the balance on the last year's account of £43 13s. 4d., makes a total balance in the hands of the bankers of £69 0s. 1d. The Council regret to see that there are, in addition, 19 members in arrear, although more than one application has been made. They venture to hope that in the ensuing year this may not occur. The Council would earnestly urge the members of the Society to use their best endeavours in obtaining new members, as by that means the financial condition of the Society will be much improved, and funds found to defray the expenses of improvements urgently needed.

The Council have pleasure in referring to the *Transactions* of the Society for the past year, which have been published and circulated amongst the members of the Society, and they gladly accord their best thanks to the writers of the various papers for the trouble taken in preparing the same, and, whilst thanking all, they would especially refer to the kindness of Stanley Leighton, Esq., M.P., in that, at his own expense, he has had the

Records of the Corporation of Oswestry (a further portion of which will appear in the next part) transcribed and arranged for publication. The Council feel that no work they can undertake is more important than publishing the Records of the several Corporate Towns in the county, which they fear in many cases are very little cared for by the elective bodies, in whose charge they are supposed to be placed.

The Council have also much pleasure in announcing that the Trustees of Shrewsbury School have kindly given permission to the Society to publish in the *Transactions* "Taylor's MS. History of Shrewsbury," which has been of great use to the historians of that town, but of which extracts have only been previously printed. Whilst mentioning this, the Council would ask help from all, especially in the compilation of "Village Histories," which they would gladly welcome.

The Council have, in accordance with the wish of the members expressed at the last general meeting, had one case of birds thoroughly re-arranged, and several rare and valuable birds added, the expense of which was £15 9s. Of this sum they have paid the amount voted at that meeting, viz., £10; and they would recommend that a yearly grant be made, in order that this interesting section may be properly arranged and comprise as complete a collection of the birds of Shropshire as possible.

By the kind and assiduous attention of the Rev. Canon Butler, the Rev. W. A. Leighton, and W. Phillips, Esq., the botanical section of the Museum has been greatly improved and brought into a very satisfactory condition, and the thanks of the Society are due to those gentlemen. A report on this section will be issued in the next volume of the *Transactions*.

The Council regret that, owing to lack of room at the Museum, valuable large donations have been reluctantly declined for the present, and at the same time they can but express their opinion that the Museum ought to be in a more prominent position in the town. They simply make this suggestion, and trust before long means may be found to accomplish so desirable an end. The number of visitors to the Museum from July 1st, 1878, to June 30th, 1879, was 1,030 (434 by payment, and 596 by members' orders). Several Societies have during the year paid Shrewsbury a visit, and on each occasion the Museum has been thrown open to them free.

The Council have only to add that their thanks and those of the members are due to the Editorial Committee, especially to the Rev. W. A. Leighton, and also to the hon. sec., Mr. Adnitt, for his willing exertions in the welfare of the Society.

The contributions received during the year have been duly acknowledged in the Society's *Transactions*, for which the thanks of the Council are given; and they again solicit donations of objects of interest relating to the county, especially books, prints, drawings, coins, and specimens illustrating the archæology, botany, zoology, and geology of the county.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, and said he hoped now that their financial condition was improved, that something more would be done than had already been accomplished towards the improvement of the collections of interesting objects in the possession of the Society.

Mr. Humphreys seconded the motion, and it was carried.

Mr. Oldroyd proposed, and Mr. Drayton seconded, that the Council of the Society be re-elected for the ensuing year, with the addition thereto of the names of the Revs. C. H. Drinkwater and T. Auden. This was carried, as was also another resolution, proposed by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Leighton, that the first-named gentleman be appointed honorary curator of the department of Numismatics.

The Rev. C. H. Drinkwater expressed his thanks to those who had appointed him to the office; and then proposed "That the Treasurer,

Editorial Committee, Auditors, and Honorary Secretary be re-elected, and that Mr. Davies be appointed second auditor in the room of Mr. Drake, who had removed from the locality." Mr. Drinkwater said he had every reason to be satisfied with the work done by the Committee during the past year.

Mr. Humphreys seconded the motion, and it was carried.

The thanks of the meeting were then accorded to the Treasurer, the Editorial Committee, and the Secretary for their services during the past year. In proposing the motion, Mr. Phillips said he was sure all present would cordially support it, because they could find abundant reason for the vote, whether they looked at the skill with which the *Transactions* of the Society were managed, the ability with which the materials were selected for publication, or the careful manner in which they were issued to the members.

Mr. Humphreys seconded the motion, and it was carried.

Mr. Adnitt, in acknowledging the vote, referred to the value of a little work published by Mr. Cox on the way to write the history of a parish, and said he thought the book should be perused by every one who felt an interest in the compilation of a county history, which could only be done by the aid of village histories. He also referred to the desirability of providing a more central and improved site for the Museum, so as to make it worthy of the county of Salop. It would be desirable to provide class-rooms, and also to supply the great want of a Free Reference Library for the town. He thought if such a movement was started that the county gentry would not be backward in assisting to provide the funds.

The Chairman endorsed the suggestion, and said he did not see why the present School buildings could not be utilized for such a purpose. (Hear, hear.) Such a position would be central, and there would also be plenty of space for the various purposes referred to by Mr. Adnitt. But if the Society was unable to undertake such a large scheme as that, he thought the time had come when a really effective building, capable of holding a little more than could be got into that place, should be provided. It was not intended to make the Museum a sort of British Museum on a small scale, but he thought the Society ought to aim at securing as perfect a Museum as possible of the county (Hear, hear.) The matter ought to be undertaken, and he thought with Mr. Adnitt that help would be forthcoming from the county gentry.

In reply to Mr. Phillips, the Chairman added that the present School buildings must come into the market. There was only one objection that he could see, and that was on the score of expense.

Mr. Adnitt said another plan would be to secure a property, the frontage of which might be rebuilt as shops, and an arcade made to the Museum by the side of them.

Mr. Leighton also pointed out that the money required might be raised in redeemable shares of £10 each.

The conversation then ended.

Mr. Phillips referred to the neglected state the Roman ruins at Wroxeter, rented by the Society, had been allowed to get into; and a sub-committee of the Council was, on the motion of the Rev. T. Auden, directed to look after the proper security of the spot.

The next subject was the place of visit in the ensuing summer, and it was resolved to recommend to the Council that Ludlow and Stokesay should be the places chosen.

Mr. Phillips alluded to the desirability of securing some of the rare and valuable county works known to be in existence, such as Eyton's *Antiquities of Shropshire*, Owen and Blakeway's *History of Shrewsbury*, and Phillips' *History of Shrewsbury*, and after some conversation it was agreed to purchase the first-named work, a copy of which, in excellent preservation, was stated to be in the possession of Messrs. Adnitt and Naunton.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding concluded the proceedings.

ANNUAL EXCURSION.

THE third annual excursion of this Society took place on Monday, the route being from Shrewsbury to Berrington, Pitchford, Acton Burnell, and Condover. The first halt, at Berrington, was for the purpose of inspecting the Church, which has recently gone through the process known as "Restoration." The chief features here were an effigy, in wood, and some tombstones in the floor in memory of the Pontesburys and Owens, once great names in the parish. At the next halt, Pitchford, there was much of interest to arrest the attention of the excursionists. First, the hall, a fine specimen of the half-timbered mansion, erected probably in the 16th century. It is supposed to have been built by William Ottley, Sheriff of Salop in 1499 and 1513. The rooms were thrown open for the visitors, and all admired a painting in the drawing-room, of Sir Francis Ottley (Governor of Shrewsbury under Charles I.), with his wife and two children. None the less were the visitors interested in another, and quite a different "attraction," viz., the famous well, on the surface of which floats pitch, and which is popularly supposed to have supplied the bottles one Mr. Betton in time gone by sold (and made a fortune with) as "British Oil." The celebrated Lime Tree, which more than rivals the chestnuts at Seaux—in which the more inquisitive of Englishmen, when they visit Paris, climb for breakfast—obtained only a very cursory notice, even if it was noticed at all; although a "Tree with a House in it" is not to be seen every day; but the Church, of course—as befitted a learned Society—attracted everyone; and the very remarkable figure of a crusader carved in wood, and supposed to be some 600 years old, was

a specimen of British oak not often to be met with. An engraving of this monument is to be found in Mr. Eyton's book, and Mr. Anderson, in commenting on it, remarks that "tradition says the figure represents Sir Hugh de Pitchford, yet heraldry points rather to Sir John de Pitchford, who died in 1285." From Pitchford a drive of three miles took the party to Acton Burnell, where the Castle, gardens, and Church filled up the time of some; others mounted the rising ground for the sake of enjoying an unsurpassed Salopian prospect, whilst others, more eager, marched to Langley to inspect the ruined Chapel. The ruins of Acton Burnell Castle (and the historical interest attaching to a place so famous as to have been the scene of a Parliament, and to have passed a Statute called after the locality), were enough to detain one portion of the party a considerable time, and the font and monuments in the Church proved equally attractive to others. The last place visited was Condober Hall and Church; the former (Elizabethan) with its old-fashioned gardens looking very pleasant in the sunshine; and the latter being, perhaps, of ecclesiastical architecture, the most interesting exhibition of the day. Here the unusual feature of one transept Norman and the other Perpendicular, was duly noted, also the fine monuments, notably that by Roubiliac. From this interesting spot a rapid drive was made to Shrewsbury, where dinner for the party was provided at the Lion. Heartly thanks are due to Mr. Adnitt for his trouble in making arrangements so successfully for the day's pleasure. The attendance was numerous, and included the Rev. W. A. Leighton, F.L.S. (who led the party); the Rev. T. and Mrs. Auden, Ford; Rev. C. H. Drinkwater, Shrewsbury; Dr. and Mrs. Saxton, Rev. Holland Sandford, Major and Mrs. Barnes, Brookside; Mr. and Mrs. Morris C. Jones, F.S.A., Gungrog; Mr. Paterson Jones and Miss Jones; Rev. O. M. Feilden, Frankton; Mr. Henry Davies, Mr. Askew Roberts, Mr. J. Sides Davies, and Mr. Spaul, of Oswestry; Rev. C. Brooke, Haughton Hall; Rev. Loftus and Mrs. Owen, Rev. A. T. Pelham, Mr. Southam, Shrewsbury; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Taylor, Mr. J. H. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Jebb, Mr. Adnitt, hon. sec., Mr. D. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. S. Edwards, Lewisham; Mr. Caswell, Mr. P. Evans, Mr. Robinson, Frankton Grange; Mr. Rider, Wellington; Mr. T. M. Owen, Mr. Whitaker, Mr. W. Hughes, Mr. Randall, Mr. J. P. White, &c., &c.

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	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1878. Balance brought forward as per last Account...	43	13	4	By Rent of Museum 1 year to Lady Day, 1879	20	0	0
Subscriptions and Arrears from Members for year ending June 24th, 1879	279	6	0	" Miss Hewitt's Salary 1 year to May 2nd, 1879	30	0	0
Entrance Fees Museum to June 24th	8	12	9	" Incidental Expenses, 1 year to "	2	17	11
				" Rent of Land from Duke of Cleveland, open to the public as the Wroxeter Excavations, 1 year to Lady Day, 1879	3	18	6
				" Poor and School Rates on ditto	0	10	6
				" Coals at Museum, 1 year to June 24th	3	13	10
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				" Cost of Printing Journal of the Society, as per Estimate for year, Messrs. Woodall and Venables...	119	13	0
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				" Sundry small Accounts	3	4	4
				" Paid on account for refitting one Case of Birds	10	0	0
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				" Balance in Bankers' hands, carried down	69	0	1
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9th December, Examined with the Vouchers, and found correct,
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PHANOGAMOUS BOTANY.

It may be interesting to some of our readers to know that the Botanical Collections of the Museum have received considerable additions and improvements.

There are three Collections of Flowering Plants and Ferns.

The first contains the plants of Shropshire and North Wales, which in January, 1878, were represented by about 500 species. These were wholly without arrangement and intermixed with the Foreign Flora. They have now been separated and arranged in the natural order, and the number of species has been more than doubled, and amounts at present to about 1,150.

The second collection contains the Flora of Great Britain, but there were no Grasses or Ferns, and the 27 goodly volumes contained only 280 plants (the London Catalogue embraces 2,167). Three vols. have been added to hold the Grasses and Ferns, and the collection now comprises 1,540 species, or about 71 per cent. of the British Flora.

The third collection contains foreign plants, chiefly from France, Germany, and Switzerland, but comprises also a good many from the Sinaitic Peninsula and from Arabia, with a few from Egypt, Teneriffe, the Pyrenees, &c. This collection also has been considerably increased.

Each of the three Floras is comprised in 30 vols., in such manner that the vol. numbered in any one contains the same class of plants with that similarly numbered in either of the other. Thus, vol. 2 contains Cruciferae; vol. 6, Leguminosae; vol. 11, Umbelliferae, in each Flora, so that having found any given plant you know at once where to look for its congeners.

The great addition to the number of species in the two first-mentioned collections has been largely attained by the assistance of the Rev. W. A. Leighton, through whose kindness packets have been obtained from Sir Jos. Hooker, Professor Babington, Dr. Fraser, Rev. J. H. Thompson, Mr. Lees, and the late Rev. A. Bloxam.

The Rev. L. Darwall has contributed a very valuable series of willows. Mr. Phillips also and Mr. Calcott have at various times sent important packets, and a few other gentlemen have been good enough to lend their aid. I have also been able to dry and add a good many species myself. Two most valuable cargoes have also been received from the late and present Professors of Botany at the University of Edinburgh.

A good deal still remains to be done, but it is hoped that the kind assistance that has already made our collections respectable may be continued till they are rendered as nearly complete as the extreme rarity of some of the plants still wanting will allow.

T. BUTLER.

CRYPTOGAMIC BOTANY.

THE collection of plants pertaining to this division, when it was placed in my hands for arrangement, was exceedingly meagre, but owing to the liberality shown in response to the appeal to various botanists, a number of valuable contributions have been received, and I am happy to say that we have now a collection of Cryptogams of very great value. The importance of such a collection to students of this branch of Botany resident in the county, to whom a visit to Kew or the British Museum would be a great inconvenience, cannot well be over estimated. A general idea of the collection may be best formed by taking each class of plants in its order and specifying the additions that have been made to it. The Ferns and their allies are in the Phanerogamic department.

MOSESSES.

A SMALL collection of these, given by the late Mr. J. E. Bowman, gathered chiefly in Cheshire and North Wales, was all the Herbarium possessed. The Rev. W. A. Leighton has presented the whole of the Mosses, to the number of about 400 specimens, from the scarce and valuable published collection, Mongeot and Nestler's *Stirpes Cryptogamæ Vogeso Rhenanæ*. He has also presented a second collection of about 400 from Mon. Roumguere's, *Bryologie de l'Aude*. Dr. Fraser, of Wolverhampton, sent a large number of British specimens, and Miss Sparkes, of Bridgnorth, sent a packet collected chiefly in Shropshire. The Rev. T. Butler has also added Specimens that were collected in North Wales. The whole of these have been arranged according to the system adopted in Hobkirk's *Synopsis of the British Mosses*, and incorporated with Mongeot and Nestler's in portfolios, and are now easy for reference. Hobkirk's book forms an index of all the British species.

HEPATICAE.

THESE are represented by a collection presented by the late Mr. Bowman, to which have been added, by purchase, Carrington and Pearson's *Hepaticæ Britannicæ Easiecate*, Fasc. I. and II.

LICHENS.

THERE did not exist a dozen specimens in the Herbarium to represent this interesting and important class of plants. We now possess 400 specimens, the gift of the Rev. W. A. Leighton, which are in the course of being arranged in portfolios according to the system followed in Leighton's *Lichen Flora of Great Britain*. We have also acquired by purchase I.—V. of Larchestier's *Lichen-Herbarium*.

FUNGI.

BESIDES the excellent and valuable fasciculi I., II., III. of Berkeley's *British Fungi*, the Herbarium did not contain any specimens illustrative of this class of plants. The Rev. M. J. Berkeley has kindly presented fasc. IV. to complete the series, a part which it would have been impossible to purchase. We have also received from the Rev. J. E. Vize of Forden, Montgomeryshire, gratuitous copies of fasc. I. and II. of his *Micro Fungi*, and I have added I. II. and III. of my *Elvellacei Britannici*. The above works form a nucleus of a Mycological collection which I hope soon to see very much extended.

ALGAE.

IN this class the Herbarium may be considered rich, as it possesses the following:—Wyatt's *Algæ Danthonienses*, fasc. I.—IV., *Algæ of Van Diemen's Land*, also a collection of Marine Algæ *Phycotheca Lusitana* collected by the late well-known Dr. Welwitsch. These were all presented to the Herbarium by R. Stewart, Esq., of Ryton. We have lately received a valuable packet from the Rev. T. Butler, which, together with an unarranged packet found in the Museum, now that they are arranged and named, form a handsome fasciculus.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS.

Any additions to either division of the Shropshire Flora would be peculiarly acceptable, and if the members of the various Field Clubs would kindly remember the Central Museum at Shrewsbury during their botanical rambles, a large addition to the local Flora, which is really the most important, might easily be made.

Any packets of flowering plants or ferns and their allies, addressed to Rev. T. Butler, or of mosses and other cryptogams to Mr. W. Phillips, at the Museum, College Hill, Shrewsbury, would be thankfully acknowledged.

A few duplicates of flowering plants and ferns might be returned if lists of desiderata are sent.

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