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DENNINGTON CHURCH NOTES.

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After some study I have been able to decipher the obscure passage in the Dennington book, which I left unread in Vol. VII., part 2, p. 1, of our Proceedings. It reads :—

"The billes declaryng the "p'cesse and repayment of the xx^{li} churchmoney and the x marks yerday money."

In the same "coofer" were the following, of which the first is of more than local interest :---

"Oon Invetory made by Doctor Colett p'sone of Dennington of the Stuffe of the sayd p'sonage."

Oon booke covered w^t pchement and certayn billes in it declaryng the p'cess and accopte of the <u>money</u> ... a? xxxvj^{ti} Oon lytell purse and xiiijs. in it, w^t a bill declaryng h. viij. xijs. xd. the recepte of the same. w^t the increase Oon other p'se of lether in golde and syluer of vij*li*. & ijd. *vjli*. xiijs. iiijd.

And in oon other p'se of lether xxxiijs. iiijd. in syluer And in oon lytle p'se of lether in golde ix/i.

Sm of the money founde in the sayd cofer in dyvers pises {xviijli. viijd.

M^d that the xxiiijth daye of December A^o xxxvj^{to} H. viji, there was taken out of this ix*li*, viijs. } x*li*. vijs. viijd.

ixli. viijs.

(The three sums named in the body of the page amount exactly to $\pounds 18$ 0s. 8d., but how to manipulate the "book-keeping by double entry" in the margin, so as to get the balance of $\pounds 10$ 7s. 8d. is quite beyond my powers.)

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This is followed by

Detts owynge to the	xxli	i. mon	ey an	d stokke			
furst Mr. Anthony Rous 1							
of his father	-	•		Ì	iiij <i>li</i> .		
Willm Alred	-			•		xls.	
Robert Bagote	-		-	-		XXXV8.	•
Johane Goodale wido	we		-	· _		XXXVs.	
John Harsant for He	nry	Colle	5	-		xiij <i>s</i> .	iiijd.
	•			\mathbf{Sma}	x <i>li</i> .	iijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
The money for the lights	late	n'tevn	vnoe	to Sevut)		_	
Margaret ffurste M ^r						xls.	
Robert Pavys		j -	-			xiijs.	iiijd.
Thomas Borett	-		-	· _		xiijs.	iiij d .
Wydowe Elyote	-		-			xiijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Willm Smythe	-		-	-		xiijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Robert Bagote	-		-	-		xiijs.	iiij <i>d</i> .
Theyr of Aylmers	-	,	· ·-	-		xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i> /
Thexecutors of Rayd	on					xiijs.	iiij <i>d</i> ,
xviij? die Januarij a°						v	3
xxxvj ^{to} h. viij.							

Detts owynge for Seynt Margarett's money Robert Bagote for vij yeres ended

at Seynt Margar yere for the	et aº 2 Increa	xxxvj ^{to} h. vi use of xiijs.	iij. at xij iiij <i>d</i> .	$d.$ the $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} d \\ d \end{array} \right\}$	vijs.
Robert paveys fo			-	-	vijs.
Thomas Boreth	-	-	-	-	vijs.
Willm Smyth	- .	-	-	-	vijs.
widowe Elyote	÷ .	-	-	-	vijs.
Mr. Anthony Ro	us Esq	uyer for vy	eres for i	ij m'kes	XV8.

M_d tht it is aggreed by the hoole townschyppe that at the feaste of. Seynt Margarete next ensuynge eu'y oone of thes p'sones shall not only brynge Inne the Stokke but also the Encrease and then to laye in obligacons for the some of the hoole too receyve it agayne (in paler ink)

taken out of the longe purse the xijth of July a° xxxvij? h. viij. to paye the subsydie

After this come nine blank pages, and then commence the accounts for 1568.

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