## ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS OF LINDSEY CHAPEL.

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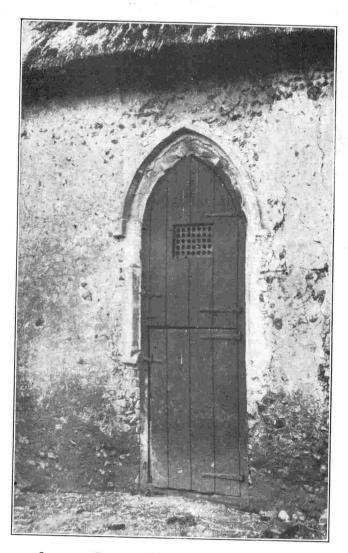
The ecclesiastical features of this ancient edifice, now used as a farm outbuilding, are at once visible to the eye. The extension of its massive walls, its substantial buttresses, its lancet windows and moulded doorways, speak of the days when religious ceremonies were performed within its walls. There is no mistaking the building as that of an early English Chapel.

The measurements of the building within are, in length 29 feet, in breadth 16 feet. Its height on the north side measured from the door step to the underside of the roof plate is 11 feet. The general appearance marks it as a building of the latter half of the 13th century, but there are evidences of an earlier construction, for fragments of Norman mouldings appear in various parts of the outer walls.

The roof is of tie-beam construction, with under braces. These are all moulded, as also is the plate from which ashlar pieces rise to each rafter; in some instances these, too, are moulded. The whole roof is covered with a reed thatch laid upon oak boarding fixed to the rafters.

On the north side there were, originally, two windows, one of which has been bricked up and plastered over; the other, of a later date, has been converted into a doorway, the mullions and tracery have been removed, as well as the sill and wall beneath. Traces of the sill and cusping are visible.

At the north east corner are the remains of two buttresses of the same size as those of the west end. At the east end may be seen the remains of a three light window, the cill of which is 6ft. 6in. above the door step



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Only one of the jambs is visible, the rest of the window with the brickwork above it has all been removed; the opening thus made is protected from the weather by the thatch roof of an adjoining stable.

On the south side there are two lancet windows and a doorway. The windows are different in size and in height, but both possess the same characteristics, the inside edge of the internal splay being finished with a chamfer. The doorway is of the same period; its stonework is in a good state of preservation. The buttress at the south east angle was rebuilt by the present owner. Only a few new stones were needed for the reconstruction. Unfortunately some of the old worked stones were used in the foundations, one piece bearing indications of Norman work upon it remains above ground.

At the west end are the remains of a window, but the opening has been bricked up, and a brick Tudor doorway has been constructed. The entrance to the chapel was on the south side; the west door was fastened by means of a sliding bar, the holes for its admittance are still in use.

The inside of the building now used as a stable and calf pen, retains a double piscina, enclosed within a trefoil arch. Double piscinas of this class are of the Early English, and Early Decorated periods, but were by no means common.