CHURCH PLATE IN SUFFOLK.

DEANERY OF NORTH DUNWICH.

The Church Plate in this Deanery does not call for any special remark; there are fine Elizabethan Cups at Halesworth and several other places;—a fleur-de-lis Cup at Westhall, while at Southwold and Frostenden there is Charles II. Plate, of Norwich make. Church Plate does not appear to have suffered as a rule during the Commonwealth, but the ruined Churches at Covehithe, Walberswick, Corton, &c., on this coast, support the fact that in this district there is more than the usual amount of Plate just later than that period. The Plate at Linstead is very curious.

EDMUND C. HOPPER.

BENACRE. S. MICHAEL.


PATEN: diameter 7 inches. T H with star beneath (Thomas Haver's mark). Date about 1680.

FLAGON: height 10 inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark L W; old English M for 1767; lion passant.

BLYFORD. ALL SAINTS.

CUP: Elizabethan, with usual band. Height 6 inches. Only marks the four hearts in cross.

PATEN: on foot; 5 inches in diameter. I H S with rays. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark T T; Roman capital M for 1807; lion passant; sovereign's head. Inscribed:—"Ecclesiae Blyford D.D. Jeremias Day."

FLAGON: of Pewter. No longer used.

ASH DISH; of Pewter.
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BRAMPTON. S. PETER.

CUPS: of same shape, both 7½ inches high. (1) Inscribed:— "Brampton in Suffolk 1723." Hall marks effaced; maker W.B.?
(2) Inscribed:— "Brampton in Suffolk 1802."
Hall marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark T W; Roman capital F for 1801; lion passant; head of George III.

PATENS: covers to cups; diameter 4½ inches; (1) apparently old; perhaps Elizabethan, but no marks.
(2) marked leopard's head crowned; maker's mark T W; Roman capital F for 1801; lion passant; head of George III.

FLAGON: height 11 inches; no marks.

ALMS DISH: with I.H.S. and rays; 8 inches diameter.
Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark T W; Roman capital G for 1802; lion passant; head of George III.

CHEDISTON. S. MARY.

CUP: inscribed "Ecclesia de Chediston." Also scratched 22oz. 4 dwts. Marks: Britannia; maker's mark L A., that of Paul Lamerie; Roman capital I for 1724; lion's head erased.

PATEN: same inscription as on cup, but with the sacred monogram. Marks: Roman capital K for 1725; otherwise as on cup.


COOKLEY. S. MICHAEL.

CUP: inscribed:— "Cookley Church; the gift of the Rev. H. Uhthoff, Rector, Anno Dom. 1815." Height 5½ inches.
Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark W B; Roman capital S for 1813; lion passant; head of George III.

Rev. H. Uhthoff, was born 19 July, 1758, died 9 Feb., and buried 16 Feb., 1848, in Huntingfield Church, on the S. side of chancel. M.I.

COVER: (not a paten) same date and marks as on cup.

PATEN: on foot, same inscription and marks as on the cup.

FLAGON: Height 8 inches. Marks: leopard's head; maker's mark old English capital B for 1837; head of William IV.

COVE, SOUTH. S. LAWRENCE.

CUP: Elizabethan, with band, but otherwise plain.
Height 6 inches. The only mark is the sexfoil.

PATEN: Electro-plated.

CRATFIELD. S. MARY.

CUP: good Elizabethan with usual band. Height 6½ inches; diameter 4 inches; otherwise quite plain.

No mark except Roman capital G in border, possibly a maker's mark.
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PATENS: (1) no foot, probably the older paten, but slightly altered. No mark except G as above.
(2) Diameter 6 inches. Marks: Britannia; maker’s EA, (John East); Court hand R for 1712; lion’s head erased.

FLAGON: Electro-plated. Height 8 inches. Church Plate both in the Ipswich and Hoxne Deaneries have this same G.

FROSTENDEN. ALL SAINTS.

CUP: Elizabethan, highly gilt, of the usual pattern, but the only mark is the sexfoil, a mark like a six-leaved rose. Height 6½ inches.

FLAGON: tankard shaped. Height 10 inches. Inscribed: "Frostenden Anno Domini 1704." Marks: Britannia; maker RA, probably Andrew Raven; court hand H for 1703; lion’s head erased.

HALESWORTH. S. MARY.

CUPS: a pair, Elizabethan, inscribed: "HALESWORTH." A 1567. Marks: Norwich castle; maker’s, the orb and cross; date, C within a square for 1567-S. On one Cup only is G < R.

PATENS: (1) cover, inscribed: "THE TOWNE OF HALESWORTH." Marks as on Cup.
(2) with foot, inscribed: "Halesworth in Suffolk 1714." Marks: Britannia; G A for William Gambles mark; court hand T for 1714; lion’s head erased.

FLAGONS: (1) height 12¾ inches. Marks: leopard’s head; maker’s RB; small Roman g for 1822; lion passant; head of George iv.
(2) Electro-plated.

ALMS DISHES: each 9¾ inches in diameter, having rays and sacred monogram. Marks: leopard’s head; maker T B; small Roman g for 1822; lion passant; head of George iv.; the same marks as on the Flagon.

SPOON: straining, the bowl being gilt.
Marks: leopârd’s head; maker D. C.; small old English g for 1862; lion passant; head of Victoria.

HENSTEAD. S. MARY.

CUP: Elizabethan, with band, and the four hearts in cross. Height 5¾ inches.

PATENS: (1) cover, with rope work edge, inscribed: "Hensted 1568."
(2) Salver, on feet, 9 inches, square. Inscribed:—"The gift of Lucy House to ye Church of Henstead in Suffolk 1750."

Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's R G (for Gurney & Co.); small Roman p for 1750; lion passant; head of George II.

FLAGON: large plated. Height 12 inches.

ALMS DISH: with a sexfoil depression, of pre-Reformation paten shape, of bronze; the sacred monogram in centre. "To do good & distribute forget not."
Inscribed:—"Presented to S. Mary's Church, Henstead, by the Rev. Ishmael Fish, M.A., in memory of James & Mary his Father & Mother; & of Maria, Hannah, & Charlotte Elizabeth, his sisters, August, 1865."

HOLTON. S. PETER.

CUP: Marks: Britannia; lion's head erased; maker WA, with anchor between (Joseph Ward's mark); Roman capital G for 1722.

PATEN: Marks: Norwich castle; maker's mark apparently a pelican vulning herself; N within a shield for 1636; double seeded rose crowned.
Besides the above, there is an electro-plated Cup, Paten, Flagon, and Credence Paten.

HUNTINGFIELD. S. MARY.

CUP: inscribed:—"Huntingfield Church, the gift of the Rev'd H. Uthhoff, Rector, Anno Domini 1816."

Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark W.B.; Roman capital U for 1815; lion passant; head of George III.

PATENS: (1) on foot; diameter 4½ inches; marks as on cup.
CREDENCE: (2) inscription as on Flagon; diameter 8 inches.
Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker E.C. for Edward Cornock's mark; Roman capital O for 1729; lion passant.

FLAGON: Height 9 inches. Inscribed:—"The gift of Mr. Mary Aldous to the Parish Church of Huntingfield 1753."

Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark F.R.; small Roman s for 1753; lion passant.
Mrs. Aldous died 16 March 1753, aged 77. M.I. on floor of Nave.

LINSTEAD MAGNA. S. PETER.

CUP: good small Elizabethan, bell shaped, with usual band.
Mark: the sexfoil only. Inscribed:—★ LYNN STEDE ★ MAGNA.

PATEN: a cover, on foot is the date 1509. It is of the usual Elizabethan shape, and has marks of re-hammering. There is the mark
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of a sprig within a border of dots. The date is possibly that of the paten before alteration, or an error for 1569, probably the former.

ALMS DISH: a three-footed "waiter." Marks: leopard's head crowned; Roman capital R for 1812; lion passant; head of George III.

This inscription:—"Linstead Magna, the gift of Anthony Collett A M. Perpetual Curate 1813." Rev. Anthony Collett was P. C. from 1802 to 1835.

LINSTEAD PARVA. S. MARGARET.

CUP: good small Elizabethan bowl, usual shape and band, on a stem of repoussé work, much damaged. No marks or inscription.

PATEN: cover to above similar to the stem of same; apparently pieces of two old Chalices joined together.


ALMS DISH: duplicate of that at Linstead Magna, marks &c., as there, except the inscription is:—"Linstead Parva."

NORTH HALES (COVEHITHE). S. ANDREW.

CUP: fine large Elizabethan, Norwich shape. Marks: Norwich castle and lion; maker's mark orb with cross; C for 1568.

PATENS: (1) a cover to cup, no marks. (2) Inscribed:—"The Gift of William Gooch."

Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker T. C.; Roman capital K for 1805; lion passant; head of George III.

William Gooch, Vicar, died Feb. 27, 1876.

FLAGON: electro-plated, no marks.

REYDON. S. MARGARET.

CUP: Elizabethan, with band of strap work, pattern like a fish's scales. It has been lately re-gilt. The only mark is barely legible, perhaps the sexfoil. Height 5½ inches.

PATENS: (1) a cover, 3½ inches wide. Inscribed:—"RAYDEN 1568," same band as on Cup. No Marks. (2) a salver, on three feet. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker P B W.B (Bateman); Roman capital Q for 1811; lion passant; head of George III.

FLAGON: height 8¾ inches, has a cross on the lid as at Wangford. It is inscribed:—"Reydon Church 1866. Marks: leopard's head; maker A. S.; small old English k for 1865; lion passant; head of Victoria.

CRUET: glass, with electro-plated top.

SPOON: 5 inches long, and has engraved upon it:—"Reydon
Church 1879, In Memoriam E. W.” (for Edith Wilmer). Marks: leopard’s head; maker H. E. W.; Roman capital D for 1879; lion passant; head of Victoria.

RUMBURGH. S. MICHAEL.

CUP: fine large Elizabethan, somewhat bell shaped with usual band, but no marks.

PATENS: (1) cover, marked R 1569 R.

(2) marked R. Marks: leopard’s head crowned; maker W. B. (William Bateman); Roman capital L for 1806; lion passant; head of George III.

(3) electro-plated.

There is also a small cup with a handle (not a chalice), for private baptisms.

FLAGON: large, electro-plated: given by Feoffees about 1847. No marks.

KNIFE: plain fish knife, modern, electro-plated.

SOTHERTON. S. ANDREW.

CUP: a new bowl on the old Elizabethan stem. Inscribed:—“Sotherton 1668.” No marks.

PATENS: (1) marked leopard’s head; maker J H; old English capital K for 1845; lion passant; head of Victoria.

(2) electro-plated.

FLAGON: large pewter, well-plated.

SOUTHWOLD. S. EDMUND, K & M.

CUPS: (1) Inscribed:—“Southwold Anno Domini 1661.” Height 7½ inches. See Cripps, p. 86 (Ed. 3rd). Marks: Norwich castle and lion, crown, seeded rose, and M E.

(2) copy of the former in shape and design. Inscribed:—“Southwold Anno Domini 1865.” Marks: leopard’s head; maker G A within an oval (Alston and Hallam, London); small old English i for 1864; lion passant; head of Victoria.

PATENS: (1) cover to cup, same marks and date, very fine.

(2) cover to (2) cup, same marks.

(3)/(4) two salvers on three feet, plated, 7½ inches diameter, no marks.

FLAGON: tankard shaped. Height 8 inches. Inscribed:—“Southwold Church.”

SPEXHALL. S. PETER.

CUP: Elizabethan, with usual band. No marks.

PATEN: plain; no foot. Marks: Norwich castle and lion; the orb and cross; no third mark visible.

FLAGON: Glass mounted, not silver.
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STOVEN. S. MARGARET.

CUP: Elizabethan, with usual band. Height 5½ inches. The only mark are four hearts arranged in the form of a cross.

PATENS: (1) a cover inscribed:—"Stoven 1562." Same mark as on the Cup. Mended with a three-penny piece of James II., "Jacobus II. Dei Gratia."

(2) with the sacred monogram and rays.

Marks: leopard's head; maker GTF; small old English d for 1859; lion passant; head of Victoria.

FLAGON: of ewer form. Height 9½ inches.

Inscribed:—"Stoven Church 1856 J Atttenborough 32 Strand."

Round the centre "Glory be to God on high."

Marks: leopard's head; maker I K; old English capital U for 1855; lion passant; head of Victoria.

UGGESHALL. S. MARY.

CUP: Elizabethan, with usual band. Height 6 inches. Mark: the four hearts in cross.

PATENS: (1) inscribed:—"OWCHELL 1568." Cover to Cup, same mark.

(2) diameter 5¼ inches. Marks: leopard's head; maker G B. E B. (Brown); small old English d for 1859; lion passant; head of Victoria.

(3) Credence, with sacred monogram and rays. Diameter 7 inches.

Marks: leopard's head crowned; WB (Bateman); Roman capital N for 1808; lion passant; head of George III.

CRUETS: a pair, with silver tops. Marks: leopard's head; maker JW; Roman capital H for 1883; lion passant; head of Victoria.

ALMS DISH: diameter 10 inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker FS; small black letter e for 1682; lion passant.

WANGFORD. S. PETER.

CUP: Height 7½ inches. Inscribed:—"Wangford in Suffolk."

Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker WS with a bird beneath in an oval; small black letter r for 1694; lion passant.

PATENS: (1) Diameter 6½ inches, with same marks and inscription as on cup.

(2) Diameter 6 inches, no marks, not silver.

FLAGON: good. Inscribed:—"Wangford 1867."

Marks: leopard's head; maker I K, probably for John Keith; small old English m for 1867; lion passant; head of Victoria.

CRUET: glass, with electro-plated top.
WESTHALL. S. ANDREW.

CUP: Elizabethan without band; of London make. Height 7 inches. Marks: leopard’s head crowned; maker a fleur-de-lis; small black letter k for 1567; lion passant.

PATEN: Diameter 4½ inches, no marks.

ALMS DISH: a salver on three feet.

Marks: leopard’s head crowned; maker W B (Bateman); Roman capital Q for 1811; lion passant; head of George III.

The Fleur-de-lis is common in the neighbourhood of Bury, but not elsewhere in Suffolk.

WISSETT. S. ANDREW.

CUP: Elizabethan with usual band; no marks.

PATEN: also cover to Cup, on foot; damaged.

Inscribed:—Wissett. No marks.

PLATES: two, pewter. Inscribed:—“The parish of Wisset in Suffolk 1713”; on the back “John Kent” and false marks.

WRENNHAM. S. NICHOLAS.

CUP: the style is that general about 1660. It bears indications of having been repaired. Height 6½ inches.

Marks: four hearts or broad arrows in cross; also two similar marks, consisting of some foliage and an acorn.

PATEN: diameter 8 inches. On a foot. Bears the sacred monogram, and is marked with a right hand.

FLAGON: height 10 inches. Marks as on the paten.