

PARISH REGISTER OF BRADFIELD S. CLARE.

1541 TO 1595.

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A fragment of the Church Register of Bradfield S. Clare has been brought to light after its removal, some thirty years ago, from the Parish Chest, which had been its proper depository for upwards of three centuries.

This interesting record consists of twenty-four pages, written on small quarto paper, and contains Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials from 1541 to 1595. Its dilapidated condition, and the absence of the title page prevented its identification with Bradfield S. Clare, as explained by the memorandum with which the Rev. W. Airy prefaces his careful transcript. His letter (which was pinned on to it) addressed to the late Bishop of Bath and Wells gives a further account of its history. The two entries which he notes as "interesting" appear thus: "1553 October i. *the same daye was crowned at Wenssmyster the ladye Mary Qwene of Englanide thanks be on to God*" (p. 6): and 1588 Julye xxi *ther beinge a publike fast uppon the occasion of the Spanishe invasion an unseasonable whether*" (p. 22).

It appears that the original Register had been transcribed by another hand, since several entries are repeated in the copy from which the late Canon Cooke made numerous extracts. As both manuscripts contain similar entries:—notably, the burials of two Rectors, namely, that of John Walker in 1556, and Richard Wadnowlle in 1578, we have conclusive evidence that the fragment of Register relates to the Parish of Bradfield S. Clare.

In 1835 the portion of a parish-register inserted at the end of this book was found in the parish-chest of Bradfield S. Clare; but as the registers of that parish were complete,* and as the name "Monks Bradfield" occurs twice,—once in the year 1588, where it is erased as if unneeded—and once in the fragmentary record on page 23—I presumed that this is a portion of the early registers of Bradfield St. George. As its state of preservation is by no means good, I made a literal transcript of it, to which I have attached the original.

W. AIRY

Vicar of Keysoe and Rector of Swynshed,
formerly Rector of Bradfield St. Clare.

P.S.—In July 1856 I called upon the Rector of Bradfield St. George, and, by his permission, examined the Registers of that Parish, but found that they were perfect from 1555, and not accordant with this; so that it is still doubtful to what parish this belongs.

W. A.

The Vicarage, Keysoe.
30 Sept 1863.

Dear Lord Arthur Hervey

By this post I have forwarded to you a portion of a parish-register, which, if the parish to which it belongs cannot be ascertained, ought certainly to be in your hands both as Archdeacon and as antiquary. The note which I made at the commencement of the transcript many years ago explains its history: and from the evidence there referred to, I always supposed it to belong to Bradfield S. George, but when I offered it to the late Mr. Davers he refused both to accept it, and to let me compare it with the registers of that parish. A few years since I had the opportunity, through the courtesy of Mr. Cartwright, of comparing them, and the result I have set down in a postscript to the note before mentioned.

The two entries which I have noted as "interesting" refer, I see, to the coronation of Queen Mary, and the publick Fast on account of the Spanish Invasion.

With apologies for troubling you, I remain,

dear Lord Arthur Hervey,

very faithfully yours,

W. AIRY.

Interesting entries occur in the years 1553 and 1588.

* From, I think, the year 1535.

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... rd y^e sevventh ide of octobur . . . jemys pyrsum was chrystenyd
o . . . kalende of octobur. In y^e yere off ower lord god m. ccccc. xlj

It. jemys pyrsum was chryseynd ij kalendes octobur

It. bryget howe was chrysnynd the xvj kalende of apryll

* Anñciacio bte marie anno dñi m^{to} ccccc quadrag scdo

Brygida lucas erat nata . . . do die maij anno su . . . filia wyll lucas

Edmūdus hallwys erat nat^s nono die juni fili^s thome hallwys anno sup'dicto
micaell kyng fili^s wyllmj kyng nat^s erat xxvij die sēptembris anno dñi
sup'dicto

Radullphus addams de pochia wethm' magna sponsavit margaretam
champman quonda filiam Jacobi champman de ista pochia xiiij die
januarij jn anno sup'dcto

Rachell hunt filia benet hunt nata erat xxvij die februarii jn anno sup'dicto
margareta haull sepulta fuit xxi die march jn anno sup^a dicto

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Aññuciacio bte marie virginis

anno dñm m^o 5^o 4^o 3^o

Quinto decimo die aprilis wylls warde de pochia de fetism sponsavit
margareta brynglouthe filia Johis brynglouthe de pochia ista jn
anno sup'dicto

John howe et wylls howe filii benet howe nati erant xvij^o die Septembr
jn anno sup'dicto

Johns pertriche de ista pochia sponsavit brygida brynglou . . . de ead
pochia septimo die octobrs jn anno sup'dicto

wylls howe fili^s benet howe sepult^s erat xiiij^o die octob-s yn anno sup'dicto

† { Quito die Januarij jn anno sup'dicto nat^s erat
walter^s wenter fili^s walterij went
Terciodescimo die Januarij in anno sup^{ti} dicto nata
erat dorothea ballye filia henricij ballye

‡ Anñuciacio bte marie virginis

Anno dñi 1 5 4^o 4^o

Jacob^s lucas fili^s wyll lucas nat^s erat xxx die aprylis in anno sup'dicto
Sextodescimo die augusti nat^s erat Johis person fili^s Johis person jn
anno sup'dicto

vicessimo die mēsis novēbris nata erat Joanna hunt filia benet hunt jn
anno sup'dicto

decimo nono die mensis Januarij natus erat Joñes pertryche fili^s Johis
pertryche in anno sup'dicto

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Aññuciacio bte marie v'ginis anno dñi 154 5^o

. . . cessimo die mēsis april^s nat^s erat wyll^s kyng fili^s wyllj kyng jn
anno sup'dicto

* Change of hand-writing.

† In a different hand-writing.

‡ Former hand-writing resumed.

vicesimo tercio die may sepulta erat elizabet grahyl jn anno sup'dicto
vicesimo sexto die may sepultus erat Johes Jerwis jn anno sup'dicto
Tricesimo die may sepulta erat margareta allwys jn anno sup'dicto

Annuciatio bte marie v'ginis

Anno Dnj 1°5°5°6°

Quīto Die Juli natus erat Johis allwys fili, thome allwys jn anno supra dicto

vicesimo octavo die augusti nata erat Joanna *thed* filia Johes pertreyche jn anno supra dicto

Johns brynglove de ista pochia sponsavit margaretam mott de pochia Rusbroke tricesimo die octobrs jn anno sup dicto

Scdo die novembris circa dissima horā p nonam nats erat bennet hunt fili, benneti hunt jn anno sup'dicto

Quarto descimo die februarij nata erat Johna wyntter filia walterij wenter jn anno sup'dicto

Annuciatio bte marie virginis

Anno Dñj 1°5°4°7°

vicesimo nono die Junij natus erat georgeus kyng fili, wylli kyng in anno sup'dicto

* the xxv daye of december was george scott crystenyd the heldest sonne of nycolys scott and jn the yere above as namyd

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The xj daye of Januarij was Roberte brynglove . . . of Joñ brynglove chrystened and jn the yere above as wrytting

The xvij day of Januarij was anne dempnā the dowter of Joñ dēpnā crystened and jn the yere afore namyd

the vij day of aprylle was thomās person the sonne of John person crystened and jn the yere of the lorde A. m 5.4 viij^{to}

the vij day of october was thomas pertrychesse the sonne of Joñ partrychesse crystened and jn the yere afore namyd

the xiiij day of december was katerena hunt crystened the dowther of benet hunt jn the yere afore namyd

the xviiij day of aprill was frannssheys ballye crystened the dowther of henry ballye jn the x yere of your lorde god

the xxiiij day of apryell was Joñ allwys cristened and allso buryd the son of thomas allwys in the ix and xxx yere of our lorde god.

(Strange mistake)

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The xvj day of June was fraunssys froste the douter of (?) froste crystened and in the yere of our lorde god A^{for} named

The xxx day of June dyd wyllm hawll marye katerine pyckener bothe beyng servawtes to Nycholys Scott jn thys paerchysyng jn yere of our lorde god afor named

* Change of hand-writing.

The fyrste daye of november was grace wynter the dowther of water
wenter crystened and in the yere of our lorde god afor named

the yere of oure lorde god m : 5 : 1

and of the xxix daye of July was Ruben kynge crystened sonne on to
wyllm kynge and in the yere afor named

The xv daye of Sep̄teber was Robert Scott crystened the seconed sonne
on to Nycholas Scott and in the yere of our lorde god abothe
wrytting

The xviii daye of november was Rycherd partryche borne and chrystenyd
sonne to John partriche and jn the yere of our lord god abothe
wrytting

The iij daye of marche was anna froste borne and chrystened dowgther
to thoms froste and in the yere of our lorde god abothe wrytting

The vj day of marche was grace went^r barryd the dowgther of water
wenter jn the yere a bothe wrytting

Page 6. In the yere of our lorde god m. 5. lj.

And on the xviiijth daye of october was wyllm hoodam sonne to . . .
hoodam chrystened and in the yere afore wrytten

the xxv daye of october was Robert hennys and allys hūfrey marred and
jn the yere afore wrytten

the xvj day of fabruarii was John hunt sonne unto benet hunt chrystened
and in the yere of oure lorde god afor wrytting

The yeare of oure lorde god m. 5. lij

The xxx daye of marche was Walter person chrystened sonne unto
John person and jn the yeare of our lorde god afor wrytting

The xxviiiij daye of Maye was John berks buried in the yeare of our
lorde god afor wrytting

The thred daye of fabruarij was annas partryche bonre and crystnyed
dowthere of John partryche jn the yere of oure lorde god afor wrytting

The fyfth daye of marche was george wenter borne and chrystened
sonne to walter wenter and jn the yere of oure lorde god afor wrytting

The yeare of oure lorde god m. 5. liij.

The fyrste daye of october was Elyzabeth froste borne and crystened
dowthere to Thomas froste and jn the yere of oure lorde god afor
wrytten

and the same day was crowned at wenssmyster the ladye Mary Qwene
of Englande thankes be on to god

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The vij daye of Nouembre was benet dēpnam borne and crystened sonne
on to John dēpnam and jn the yere of oure lorde god a for wrytten

The xiiij day of februarij was Elyzabeth allnys borne dowther on to
thomas all^{nys} and cristened the xv daye of fabruarij jn the yere of
oure lorde as ys afor wrytten

The xx daye of marchj was anne hunt borne dowther to bennet hunt and she was cristened the xxiiij daye of the sayme monethe and jn the yere of oure lorde god as ys afor wrytten

The yere of oure lorde god m. 5. liiiij.

The xvj daye of maye was John scott borne sonne unto Nycholas scott and he was crystened and buryed of the sayme daye afor named jn the yere of oure lorde god as ys afor wrytten

the xxij daye of Julij was John helmer berryed jn the yere of our lord god afor named

the xxix daye of Julij was Anne hunt berred dowther to bennet hunt and jn the yere of our lorde god as afor wrytten

the vij daye of october was John helmer borne the fyrste sonne unto John helmer and was crystened on the same vij daye and jn the yere of our lorde god as ys afor wrytten

the vij daye of december was water person buryed sonne unto John persone jn the yere of oure lorde god as ys afor wrytten

the v daye of Januarij was John howe bureyd sone unto benet howe & jn the yere of oure lorde god as ys afor wryttⁿ

The yere of oure lorde god m. 5. lv.

The vi day of aprille was dowrythe partryche chrystened dowt' to John partryche and jn the yere of oure lord god as ys afor wrytten

The v daye of Julij was elyzabeth hunt borne and chrystened the vj daye of the same moneth dowter unto bennet hunt jn the yere of our lorde god as ys afor wrytten

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The xvj daye of september was anne brynglove dowter unto John bryngelove borne and crystened jn the yere of our lorde god as ys afore wrytting.

The v daye of october was anne scott borne dowter to Nycholas scott and she was crystened the vj daye of october and jn the yere of our lorde god as ys afore wrytting

The v daye of novēber was heffene brynglove wyffe to John brynglove berryd jn the yere of our lorde god as ys afore wryttinge

The x daye of Januarij was Roos hoostelare crystened dowter unto John hoostelare jn the yere of o^r lorde god as ys afor wrytting

The xxix day of Januarij was doryythe frooste crystened dowther unto thomas frooste jn the yere of o^r lorde god as ys afor wrytting

The xxij day of Julij was Robert chammocke and mary munyman maryytt for jn yere of o^r lorde god as ys afor wrytting

The vj daye of august was Elyzabeth wenter borne and chrystened dowther to walter wenter jn the yere of o^r lorde god as ys afore wrytting

The xj daye of august was John brynglove dead and buryd & jn the yere of o^r lorde god as ys afore wrytting

* Johnes walker Rector eccle ste clare de bradfeld obiit quartodecimo die mēs octobris anno dñi 1556

* Change of hand-writing.

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Secundo die mēsis nōveb anno d̄m 1556 baptisata fuit maria dep̄na

Johāna lurkyng obiit x^d die mes Noveber anno d̄ni 1556

wylm_s kyng obiit 6 die Junij anno d̄m 1557

Joh̄nes ptrytryche obiit 9 die septebri^s A^o d 1558

Alicia Kyng obiit ix die octobris Anno. d. 1558

wyllm^s Alylemer baptisat^s fuit 19^o octobris die Anno. d. 1558

Rosa becke sepulta fuit 24 die novēbris A. d. 1558

{ Johanna Rise sepulta fuit 3 die mēs decebris A^o d, 1558

* { Edwardus tyllott baptisat^s fuit 24 die mēs octob A^o d 1558

{ p' dict^s edwardus tyllot sepult^s fuit 12 die mēs septeb A^o d 1558

{ Joh̄nes hunt was berryed y^e 8 day of septeb A^o Di

{ myhell kyng was beryde ye 3 day of Noveber A^o Di 1558

benedict hoo obiit et sepult' fuit 27 die mēs maj A^o d̄m 1560

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It. wyllm_s bumsted sepultus fuit 23 die mēs Junii anno dni 1560

Dorothea brynglove batyzata fuit 29 die mēs Junii A^o D

Joh̄es Ayllein sepultus fuit 2 die mens Julii A^o d̄m 1560

It. maria bumsted sepulta fuit 9 die mēs Julii A^o D^o 1560

It. Joh̄nes tyllet sepult^s fuit 12 die mēs Januarii et eade die baptisata
fuit elesabeth tyllet A^o dni 1560

It. henric^s hoo et agnes baley nupti fuerūt 28 die mēss An^o 1560

It. Rosea Dayly baptisata fuit 10 die mēs Augusti Anno Dni 1561

It. b̄ndicts blomfield et Katr'ina hoo nupti fuerūt . . . die mēs novebris
A^o D̄ni 1561

It. henricus hoo et agnes balley nupti fuere x die mēs decebris A^o d̄ni
1561

It. brigida hoo baptisata fuit 2 die maj A^o dni 1561

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It Anna clarke sepulta fuit 26 D^o die maj A^o d̄m 1562

It edmunds scott baptisat^s fuit ultimo die mēs maj A^o dni 1562

It Rbt^s hoo et Alicia Kembold nupti fuerūt x^o die mēs Junij A^o dni 1562

It miribilis tillot baptisata fuit Anno d̄ni 1563

It nicholaus scott sepult^s fuit 3 die mēs maj Anno dni 1563

It Joh̄es burges et m'gareta sygar nupti fuerūt 15 die mēs septēbris
Anno D̄ni 1563

It fr̄aciscus Prime et Elisabeth scott nupti fuerūt 10 die mēs februarij
Ān̄o d̄ni 1563

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Anno dni 1564.

m'gareta Jervys sepulta fuit 3 die mēs Aplis Anno dni 1564

It georgius daly baptisat' fuit 1 die mēs maj anno dni 1564

It Katerina blumfeld sepulta fuit x^o die mēsis septebri^s

It thomas Kyng et Johanna tyllott nupti fuerūi 15 die mēs octob

* Confusion of dates.

- I^t m̄gareta Primē filia francisci Primē et elesabeth uxoris sue batisata
fuit 15 die mēs octob
I^t Augustins Rudlond sepult^s fuit 6 die mēs septēbris
I^t Johannes wodaṁ fili' thome wodaṁ et Johanē uxoris sue baptisat' fuit
21 die mēs decebris
I. Johñes Smythe fili' p'moget^s Johñis Smythe et m̄garete uxoris sue
baptisat' fuit 24 die mēs decebris

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- I^t wiffm^s Rudlond fili^s Augustinie Rudlond et marie uxoris sue baptisat'
fuit 18 die mēs Januarij et sepult^s fuit 9 die mēs febuarij
Anno dñi 1565.

- In'pms Johñes hoo fili^s p'mogenit^s
Johñs hoo et Johanne ux suæ baptisat^s fuit p'mo die mēs Julij
I^t elesabeth persuñ sepulta fuit septimo decimo die mēs septēbris
I. wyllms hoo fili^s Robti hoo et Alicie ux sue baptisat^s fuit septimodecimo
die mēs Januarij
I^t Anna brynglove filia Johñis brynglove et m̄garete ux sue batisata
fuit vicesimo quarto die mēns Januarij
I^t m̄gareta kyng filia thome kyng et Johñe ux sue fuit batisata septimo
decimo die mēs Januarij

Page 14. Anno dñi 1566.

- In'pms Robt^s hoo sepult^s fuit sexto die mēs Aplis
I^t brygyda byrd batisata fuit vicesimo septimo die mēs octobris
I^t ragella hylldryard filia Johnis hylldryard et Rose ux sue batisata
fuit nono die mēns māj
Anno dñi 1567.

- I^t Johñes Daly et thomas daly frat^r ejus filii Robti daly et m̄garete ux
sue batisati fuerūt septimo die mēs maij anno dñi 1567
I^t Johñes Daly fili^s Robti daly et m̄garet ux su sepult^s fuit undecimo
die mēs maij
I^t georgius wodaṁ fili^s thome wodaṁ et Johanne ux sue baptisat' fuit
quarto die mēs augusti
I^t Rogerus evred et anna bawley nupti fuerūt ultimo die mēs Augusti
I^t henricus hoo fili^s Johñis hoo et Johanne ux sue baptisat' fuit quarto
decimo die mēs febuarij

Page 15. Añi Dñi 1571

- George Trowlls the sun' of John' Trowles and Joone hys wyffe was
buried the xxvj daye of Auguste
Wyllm Aveysse the sun of Arnolde Aveysse & of Allse hys wyffe wasse
crystened the vj daye of the monthe of october
frances Smythe the dawter of John' Smythe and of margaret hys wffe
wasse crystened the viij daye of the monthe of februarye
marye Trowlls the dawter of John^e Trowlls & of Jane hys wyffe wasse
crystened the xxj daye of the monthe of marche

Año Dm̄ 1573

Wyllm Trowlls the sun' of John' Trowlls & of Joone hys wyffe wasse
 crystened the xxvj day of the month of Apryll
 margaret dally the dawter of Robt dally & of margaret hys wyffe
 crystened the seconde daye of november
 Thom^s howe the sun of John howe & of Joone hys wyffe wasse
 crystened the xxix daye of november

Page 16. Año Dm̄ 1574

Margaret Almer wedowe wasse buryed the xxvj daye of the month of
 marche
 Elyzabethe how the dawter of Edmunde how & of margaret hys wyffe
 wasse crystened the xj daye of the month of Apryll
 Joone Woodam̄ the wyff of Thom Woodam̄ wasse buryed the xv daye
 of the month of februarye

Año Dm̄ 1575

James pearse & margaret brynglove wasse maryed the xvj daye october
 Thom̄ woodam̄ and margaret skot wasse maryed the xxv daye of october
 Elizabeth the becke of Rychard becke wasse buryed the viij
 daye of Januarye
 George Trowles the sun of Joh̄n Trowles & of Joone hys wyffe wasse
 crystened the x^t daye of marche

Page 17. Año Dni 1576

Dorrathye dally the dawter of Robt Dally & of margaret hys wyffe
 wasse crystened the viij daye of Julye
 George howe the sun of Joh̄n howe & of Joone hys wyffe wasse crystened
 the xxv daye of Julye
 Thom hall the sun of Rychard hall & of Anne hys wyff wasse crystened
 the xvj daye of Desember

Año Dni 1577

Rychard beck wedower wasse buryed the xvijj daye of June
 Edmunde Allvys & Dorrathye lastkes wasse marryed the xiiij daye of
 Julye
 James Pearse the sun of James Pearse & of margaret hys wyffe wasse
 crystened the xxiiij daye of Julye
 Joh̄n haylocke & Alse gybbes wasse maryed the vij daye of september
 Wyllm carter the sun of steven carter & margaret hys wyffe wasse
 crystened the vj daye of october

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Joone Allvys the wyffe of Thom̄ Alvys wasse buryed the xiiij daye of
 november
 Margaret Alvys the dawter of Edmunde Alvys & of Dorrathye hys
 wyffe wasse crystened the xxvij daye of Desember
 * Rycharde Wadnowlle the parsun wasse bvyed the xvijj daye of
 Januarye

* In the same hand-writing with the foregoing.

* Bridget Brage the dawghter of Robart Brage and margret his wyffe
was Baptised the tenth of Julye 1578

Thomas Avis and Alis his wyffe were married 3 of September An^o 1578

Judyth Grädydge the dawghter of Ryc grädydge and susan his wyffe
was baptised the vijth of June An^o 1579

Roger how the sonne of John how and Johan his wyffe was baptised the
xiiijth day of June an^o 1579

Elyzabeth avis the dawghter of Edmund avis and dority his wyffe was
baptised the 15 of novēber

doritye avis the dawghter of Thomas avis and his late wyffe was baptised
the xxth of december

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Thomas Avis and alis his now wyffe were married the 17 of marche

† { alis avis the late wyffe of Thomas avis was buried the xx of december
henry balye, the husband of Johan his wyffe was buried the 23 of
december

robarte hasell his wyffe was buried the 29th day of Aprill an^o 1580.

margeret dally the wyffe of Robarte Dally was buried the twelwe of
september

1580

Elyzabeth brage the dawghter of Robart and margeret his wyffe was
Baptised the fyrst of november

John grandydge the sonne of Rychard and Suzan his wyffe was Baptised
the xxvj of Decēber

Dority carter the dawghter of Steven and Margeret his wyffe was
Baptised the xvj of october

George seaman the sonne of george and Dorytye Brynglove the dawghter
of John brynglovē were married the syxt of July.

Thomas avis was buryed the eleventh of Decēber

Kateryn hasell the daughter of Robarte hasell was buryed the xxixth of
marche.

1582

Robarte hasell and Agnes his wyffe were marryed the 27 of februarye
anna avis the daughter of Edmund Avis and doritye his wyffe was
baptised the 10 of marche

Suzan hasell the daughter of Robarte hasell and agnes his wyffe was
baptized the 24 of marche.

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Josephe grandydge the sonne of Rychard and Suzā his wyffe was baptised
the xvij of november

Anna Brage the daughter of Robarte and margeret his wyffe was
Baptised the 8 of decēber

* Change of hand-writing.

† These ought undoubtedly to have been inserted before the previous entry.

wylm mylls and winnifred Gill were married the 15 of September.
 Robart Jannÿygs and Alis Cädeler were married the xvij of September
 Robart Dally and margeret his wyffe were maryed the xjth of november
 1584

Steven Carter was buryed the vij of June

Samuell Baker was Baptised the .xvij of June

Elyzabeth nycker was buryed th .xvth day of September An. 1584

Sara Carter the dawghter of Steven late deceased was Baptised the vjth
 day of october

{ Suzan Grandydge the daughter of Ryc and Suzan his wyffe was
 baptised the xxijth of october

{ John how the soonne of John how was buryd the 23 of october

* { Josua hasell the sonne of Robarte hasell was baptised the 24th day
 of November

{ Isaäck Johnson the sonne of Rychard Johnson and Judyth his wyffe
 was baptised the xxvth of februarye ano 1584

{ mither Burkum was buried the xij of marche 1584

{ Roger how the sonne of John how was buried the thyrd of april

Abrahā nicker was baptised the xxth of apryll beinge easter mōday

Thomas Irwe and Johan godderd were married the ix of June

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John Godderd was buryed the xx day of September Sunday an. Reg.
 Reginæ Eliza 26 1584

henrye watson and adrye petmey w 11 of october 1584

Robart Day and marian corder were married the x 1584

Doritye Avis the daughter of Edmund Avis was baptised the 22 of
 nove

1585.

Edmund hasell the sonne of Robarte hasell tised the 28 of marche

Rychard Grandidge the sonne of Rychard Gr and Suzan his
 wyffe was baptised the xij of october

Robert Dallye the sonne of Robert Dallye was baptised the 18 of december

John Baker the sonne of Rychard Baker was Baptised the 13 of februarye

Suzann Bragge the dawghter of Roberte Bragge and margerett his wffe
 was Baptised the 15 of februarye beinge Srhrove Tews Day

1586.

George haule the sonne of geore halle was Baptised the 8 day of maye

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Anne Nicker the daughter of Peter Nicker was Baptised the 22th Day
 of may beinge Whitsōday

. . . . Grandidge the dawghter of Rychard Grandidge Suzan his
 wyffe was Baptised the day of Januarye 1586

George Seaman the sonne of George Seaman and dorytye his wyffe was
 Baptised the 14 day of may

* Sad confusion of dates throughout this year.

Suzanne Avis the daughter of Edmūde Avis was Baptysed the 25th day of Julye 1587.

Suzanne Grandidge the wyffe of Rychard Grandidge preacher and pastor ther was buried the vjth day of februarye.

1588.

Dallye the daughter of Robert dallye was baptised the xvjth day of June Robert bragge the sonne of Robert bragge was baptised the xxjth of Julye at mnke bradfeld ther beinge a publike fast upon the occasion of the Spanishe invasion an unseasonable whether

Isaac Nicker the sonne of peter nicker was baptised the xxvth of auguste

A leaf or two torn out.

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Benett a base hasell sonne to sed the 22 of D od daye, after therunto onelye by called doretye besone late of monke-bradfeld who at the same tyme cōfessed her sinne and that the foresaide Benet how was the father of her chyld and none other and beinge asked what she wold call the afore saide child said yt should have its father's name in the hearinge of the whole cōgregation and so called yt benett

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. alis steward were september
 hn haw as buried the 19 of . . . ptember
 hn Baker and marye wyet were . . . aried the second of Januarye
 1594.

Henrye have the sonne of henry haw was Baptised the 13 of Apryll 1594
 Roberte pkinton and marye Nun were maryed

Benett wryght and Kateryh rede were marryed the 23 of June 1594
 marye halyday the dawghter of Rychard halyday and Suzan his wyffe was baptised the 29 of september 1594.

marye myles the dawghter of John and An his wyffe was baptised the 27 of october 1594.

1595.

John pearse and fransyes morrys were maryed the 10th of June beinge tewsdai in wytson weke 1595.

John pease thelder and father of the forsayd John was buried the 13 of the foresayd June 1595

The fragment of the next leaf, which is torn off, contains only these words :—

mar wyffe
 John e. l. . . se
 Bradfeld and late disce
 Mr Ed

Nothing else remaining of the register.

BRADFIELD S. CLARE.

BY REV. C. L. FELTOE, B.D.

The following extracts are taken from a careful transcription of the Parish Registers, made by the late Rev. Canon Cooke, F.S.A., and entrusted to my charge by his sister-in-law, Miss Haggitt.

Volume I. Page 1 Bradfield Ste Clare

The regester Booke of all and singuler names of such as have bene Baptised marryed and buryed wythin the p'ryshe of Bradfield afforesaide from the xii day of october an^o 1538. and in the 30 yeare of the raygne of kynge henrye the 8. as followethe in this booke unto this p'sent day.

1 June 1654

Sam'uell Crosman Clarke was sworn parish register for the towne of Bradfield S^t Clare before me Tho Chaplin

On p. 2 we have the entries for 1538-1541: among which occur the following three consecutive entries dated Roman fashion:

1541 Simon Shekell and margaret Byrde the seventh id's of october

James pearce was Baptised the seconde Kalende of october

Briget how was Baptised the xvi Kalendes of Apryll

Then after 2 entries for 1542 at the bottom of the page are the signatures

Wyll'm Rose

Rychard Grandidge *R. Sibson G*
John + Bringlove *monument*

and each page is similarly signed. Entries are regularly made each year up to 1558 in which year occurs the following:—

(page 7) Edward tyllot was baptised the 29th of october and was buryed the 12th of september and so he was buryed before he was borne thus I find yt in the old Register. and as followeth

Then after 3 further entries: The yeare 1559 ther is neyther maryage Baptisinge nor buryall.

1551 (page 5) Rob'te hennyffe and alis humfre were marryed the 25th of october

1556 (page 6) John Walker Rector ecclesiae de bradfield Sctae Clarae 14 die octobris obiit

1577 (page 11) John haylocke and alis gybbes were maryed the 7th day of september

1578 Rychardus Wadnowle Rector ecclesiae de bradfield Sctae clarae obiit et sepultus decimo octavo die Januarii

1578 Judith Grandidge the dawghter of Rychard was baptysed the viiith of June

1581 (page 12) John Grandidge the sonne of Rychard was baptysed the 26th of december

1583 Josephhe Grandidge was baptised the xvii of november the day of quene Elyzabeths coronation whom god longe preserve to his glorie and the cumforte of manye

1584 Isaacke Johnson the sonne of Rychard Johnson cowseller in the lawe was baptised the 23rd of februarye

1587 (page 14) Suzan grandidge the late wyffe of Rychard Grandidge precher of gods holy word was buried the vith of februarye.

1588 Rob'te bragge the son of Robert was baptised the 21st of Julye at munkes bradfield ther beinge a publyke fast by reason of the spanshe invasion and unseasonableness of the wether at which tyme god scatered the spanshe flete uppon the seas and made the sea a grave unto manye of them and caused sea and wynde to fyght for us and oure quene and so saved her and us owte of ther bloody hands for which his name be for ever and ever prayسد of us.

1595 (page 16) M^r Arthur Kempe was buried the 29 of the afforesaide June

M^r Edward buge was maryed to M^{rs} marye kempe by a licence owt of the facultys the 22 of marche.

The yeare 1596 is as before 1559

(page 17) The yeare 1598 ther was neyther mariage chrysteninge nor buryall

1599 John Bringlove abowte the age of 80 cumming to the parsonage howse the 13th of november wher he dyned with M^r Richard Grandidge ther parson was found deade at his howse when he had lately dwelt lying by his horse uppon a sacke of apples abowt 2 houres after his departure from the saide parsonage uppon whose deathe inquisition was made the xiiiith day of the saide month and yt was found that he died of his fayre death and so the same xiiiith day was buried in Bradfeild Sct clare from whence he was gone aboute 23 dayes before to soirne wyth a sonne in law of his George Kirbye at Bury Sct Edmund.

John Bucknam the sonne of George bucknam was baptysed the 17th day of november béinge a memorable day to put us in mynde of the great mercye of god in gyvinge us the gospell of owre salvation by quene Elyzabeths meanes who this day hath accomplished the 41 complete yeares in ber graciowse Raygne whose lyfe the lord longe continew to the great glorie of god and good of his people and to the causinge of the eyes and harts of all his ennemys to fayle wythin them amen

(page 19) *Josephhe hall Bachler in divinitye and pastor and minister of the church of south hawsted was married to Elyzabeth winyffe daughter to M^r George winyffe of Brettenham the 15 of november 1603

* This is the famous and persecuted Dr. Hall afterwards dean of Worcester 1616—1627, Bp. of Exeter 1627—1640, of Norwich 1640—61.

1604 Elyzabeth Goodricke the dawghter of Mr Rychard goodricke was baptised the 3 of June

(page 30) Thomas Goodricke the son of Mr Rychard Goodricke was Baptised the 22 day of marche 1606

1607 Mrs Marget Calthorpe was buried the 27 of Januarye beinge a soiernér at St Clares hall with her son in law Mr Richard Goodricke and beinge a godlye widowe abowte the age of 78 yeares

1609 henrye Goodricke the sonne of Mr Richard Goodricke was Baptised the 30th of Aprill

1610 (page 21) Nathaniell Goodricke the sonne of Mr Richard Goodricke and margaret his wife was Buried the xvth of may

1613 (page 22) Mr Beniamy Grandidge Mr of Arts and minister and preacher of Gods word and the sonne of Mr Richard Grandidge pastor of the church of Bradfield St Clare died the 8th of marche and was buried the 11 of the saide marche on which day he accomplished the age of 23 yeares Reckninge from the day of his Baptisme ut supra *

1614 (page 23) Richard froste servant to John phillips was buried the 12th day of februarye A memorable daye for snowe and wynde with the greatest parte of the night also

1618 (page 24) Agnes Grandidge the wyfe of Richard Grandidge parson and minister ther were Buried the viith of Jan

(page 25) Mr Richard Grandidge precher of gods word at Bradfeild St Clares was buried the 9 day of December in the yeare of our lord god 1619

1624 (page 26) Richard Goodrick Esquire buried March the first

1631 (page 28) Elizabeth Goodrick wife of Mr Richard Goodrick buried Aprill the first

1640 (page 29) Thomas Aldrich Rector was buryed ye 20th of November

(page 30) Paul Gosnold for scandalous life and doctrine was ejected march 22 1643 and Samuell Crossman of Bradfeild Monachorum instituted in this Rectory April 13 1644 †

Anno Dom : 1644

Feliciter incipit Samuell

1645 Robert Riches and Anna Sterne married by the Directorie May 26

1644 (page 31) Mr Thomas Brundish Rector of Felsham and Ann Crossman daughter of Samuell Crossman minister of this towne were married March 3

1647 Susan Browne buried out of the town house Feb : 13

1648 John Hayward being at the spread eagle at Burie drinking all Saturday night the 3^d of febr: and continuing sunday till monday morning there quarrelling and fighting received many bruises whereof he

* But the monument in the Church states him to have been 25 yeares of age : therefore he was not baptised until he was two yeares of age.

† This entry was erased by a pen-knife: but on applying Hydro sulphate of Ammonia the writing immediately reappeared.

languished and died the 15th of february following and after the Crowner's Inquest had sate upon him he was buried febr: 18

1652 (page 32) Margaret the wife of Henry How dyed at Stan-ningfield May 1^o and was buried here by her former housband Tho: Alldridge may 3

1654 Ralph Inghould being making wood in the park hurt his soare legg whereof he bled to death and was buried May 21

1655 (page 33) Caruer the base borne child of Elizabeth Mills was baptised the 7th day of October beinge foure yeeres and three-quarters after he was borne upon which day the sayd Elizabeth did openly before the congregation upon her knees aske God and the congregation forgiveness for her offence and promised never to offend so againe Oct. 7th

1658 Edward Wenyeue Esq Lord of this towne sickened in this towne and died at Brettenham and was there buried in the night Sept 10

(page 34) Joseph the son of Thomas Constable and of Hannah his wife was baptised at Lindsell in Essex december 30th 1660 *

Shortly after this entry under the year 1661 (p. 34) an entry of seven lines has been obliterated with a pen so completely as to be for the most part illegible. It seems to refer to the exit of Mr Samuel Crossman on St Bartholomew's day: possibly it may have been a protest: for immediately under it follows the emphatic entry:

Thomas Constable formerly vicar of Lindsell Essex was legally instituted and inducted upon St Jeames his day 1661

Under Mr Constable it is usually distinctly stated whether mariages were by banns or license.

p. 37 contains an account of the amounts collected by 14 briefs only the first being dated (Nov. 17. 1661), the sums varying from this one "for the fish trade" 3/6 to /11^d for Great Grimsby.

1672 (page 40) Thomas Constable Clerk was buried July 15th
John ye Sonn of Charles Pleys Clerk † and of Mary his wife was Bap: febr: 6th

1674 (page 41) Samuell the sonn of Hannah Constable widow was buried Decemb. 30th

(page 42) Charles Vesey Gent: and Mi^{rs} Frances Weneyeve were Married July ye 22^d 1680

1683 (page 43) Reginald Sayer Gent and M^{rs} Sarah Wimbball were married Decemb 20th

1695 (page 46) Benjamin Fairfax Gent and M^{rs} Millacent Hunt were married ffebr: 11th

1700 (page 47) Charles Pleys Clerk and M^{rs} Martha Pearson were married Sept 6th

1707 (p. 50) John Halloway Gent: and M^{rs} Mary Rose were married July ye 4th

* This entry is repeated on p. 36 under the year 1664.

† The new rector.

1672 (page 55) Novemb: 24. Collected towards ye relief of those persons yt were undone by ye fire yt did break out in ye Sugar-house in Cole harbour in the parish of All hallows Lond: ye summ of seaven pence

On the 8 of february 1600 beinge the Lords day dyde the earle of essex the earl of Rutland and the earle of southampton (having lefte the lord keper and the lord chief iustyce with other of the counesell sent unto the earle from the quene prisoners in his house) came with manye followers unto the citye of london and to the sheryffe thereof abowte leaden haule pretendinge to seek eyde of the mayor and sheryffe agaynst his enemys but was proclaymed at the same tyme with all his followers traytors by the Kyng of harrolds accompaned wyth the lord burley and others after which proclamation made the sayde 3 earles retrnyed backe agayne towards ludgate wher the street was chayned up and the gates shutt and wher also Sir Christoffer blunte receyved some hurte and so the sayde earles retrnyed to quene (beinge assayled by the londonners after the sayde proclamation) wher they toke bote and so went to essex house where abowte aleaven acloke at nyght all the said earles were apprehended with manye of ther followers and carried to the towre of london

god save quene Elizabeth

and confound all her enemyes Rich-Grandidge the foresayd earle of Essex was executed the 25th day of the saide februarye who dyed very penitenly and manlye.

the earle of southampton dyed and was executed the march after

Volume II.

contains 17 Sheets of paper stitched together in a parchment cover $11\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $7\frac{3}{4}$. On the outside of the parchment is written Bradfield St Clare Suffolk From 1678 To 1774 Burials

(Page 1) Suff: A Register of the Buryalls in the Parish of Bradfield St Clare according to the late Act of Parliament, intituled an Act for Burying in woollen: An: Dom:

1678 Henry the sonn of Henry Scarpe and of Mary his Wife was Buryed Novemb: ye 25th, and an Affidavit was brought me within 8 days after, that he was not wound up in, nor his Coffin lin'd with any materiall, but what was made of sheeps-wool only.

These same words occur after every entry up to the year 1696; and every now and then occurs this formula:—

Wee allow of this account for burying in woollen untill cause appeare to the contrary

R Burwell	}	or the like
C Bright		

1693 (page 7) None were buried in this Parish this year: witnesse my hand Char: Pleys Rect: Ibid:

The same entry is found for 1696.

From 1696 to 1720 the certificate about sheepswool still occurs but

in a slightly different form : from 1721 to 1735 the formula is again changed and then ceases altogether.

1698 (page 9) Charles Sparrow after that the Coroner's Inquest had sate upon him and found that He had shot Himself, was buried y^e 9th day of March Char : Pleys Rect : Ibid :

1704 (page 11) Mary ye wyfe of Charles Pleys cl. was buried June y^e 16th

From 1707 April y^e 19th there are no entries till March 9th 1716 and again from Feb. 23. 1751 to Jan. 9th 1761.

1720 (page 15) Charles Pleys late Rector was buried July 1st

From 1734 onwards "exhibited at Bishops' visitation" or "exhibited at y^e General at Ixir T. Weatherhead S. John's Camb." and the like occur at intervals.

1743 (page 21) no entry

1744 John Barrell buried Dec. 17th. This man was frozen to Death.

Pages 27 to 32 are filled with the briefs and collections from 1706 to 1722. Then follows "A terrier of all y^e Glebe lands belonging to y^e Rectory of y^e said parish."

(page 33) Little Bell about seven hundred (viz. weight)

Second about nine hundred

Third about eleven hundred.

Volume III. contains the Baptisms and Marriages from August 15th 1731 to June 22nd 1783 together with one burial in 1747 and two in 1748.

(page 22) January y^e 9th 1786 paid to Mr Steele of Bury for four births and two burials 0 1s 6d

Marriages none from Jan : y^e 1st 1785 to Jan y^e 1st 1786.

Volume IV. contains Baptisms from May 3rd 1783 to Dec. 20 1812.

Volume V. Burials from Aug 10th 1786 to Dec. 31 1812.

Volume VI. Marriages 1813 to 1836.

On p. 16 in vol. 4 there is a curious notice of a child who was privately baptised in 1789 and not received into the church till nearly 30 years afterwards viz, May 28th 1818. The number of private baptisms all through this volume is very remarkable, though the children were generally received into church soon after. Altogether the way in which the Registers have been kept throughout is most creditable to those who successively had charge of the books, not least to Mr Samuel Crossman the puritan who began them as they now stand.

List of Rectors as obtained from the Registers and other sources.

RICHARD WADNOWLE, d. Jan. 1578.

RICHARD GRANDIDGE,* d. Dec. 1619.

THOMAS ALDRICH, d. Nov. 1640.

PAUL GOSNOLD, ejected March 1643

SAMUEL CROSSMAN, instituted Ap. 1644.

THOMAS CONSTABLE (late vicar of Lindsell, Essex), instituted July 1661. d. July 1672.

CHARLES PLEYS, d. June 1720.

I. YOUNG signs in 1755 and 1759.

ROBERT DAVERS B.A. (also rector of Bradfield S. George) instituted 1815.

T. HENRY ELWIN, M.A., instituted 1824.

WILLIAM AIRY, M.A., instituted 1833.

STUTEVILLE ISAACSON, M.A., instituted 1836.

GEORGE S. FAUGHT, instituted 1867.

ALEXANDER SWINEY, LL.M. (of Peterhouse, Camb.), instituted 1873.

* Spelt Grandorge on the mural tablet in the Church.

ANNUAL EXCURSION.

GRUNDISBURGH, BURGH, WOODBRIDGE, SECKFORD HALL,
GREAT BEALINGS, PLAYFORD.

The Annual Excursion took place on June 9th, 1897, when the neighbourhood of Woodbridge was visited, the Institute not having met there for twenty-five years. The rendezvous was Ipswich Cornhill, where vehicles were in readiness to convey members to the different places named on the programme. The first halt was made at Grundisburgh Church, of which Mr. V. B. Redstone (on behalf of the Rev. A. E. Flaxman) gave some account. The party alighted next at Burgh Church, which stands on an elevation, with only one house near. The nomenclature denotes Roman occupation, and the many "finds" in adjacent fields leave no doubt that the Imperial legions selected the spot for one of their encampments. The parish clerk had a collection of fragmentary pottery, coins, &c., on view in the porch, all turned up during ploughing operations in the field adjoining the churchyard. Undoubtedly the pottery is Roman; of the coins, it is not so easy to speak positively. Dr. Raven being unable to be present sent his paper, which was read by the Honorary Secretary. Mr. Redstone added some remarks on the dual dedication of the church, and pointed out a very unique picture in one of the windows, representing Jael slaying Sisera.

Dinner was served in the Assembly-room at the Bull Hotel, Woodbridge, the Rev. P. E. Tuckwell, head master of the Grammar School, occupying the Chair, the Rector of S. Mary's (Rev. T. Housecroft) being from home. The company included Rev. W. Wyles, Rev. M. B. Cowell, Rev. F. S. Barry, Miss Coates, Mr. T. Harrison, Mr. W. A. Bunn, Mr. B. P. Grimsey and Miss Grimsey, Mr. T. Miller, Mr. H. Miller and Mrs. Miller, the Misses Key (Aldeburgh), Rev. Dr. Haslewood (Chislet), and Mrs. Haslewood, Rev. F. Haslewood, F.S.A., and Mrs. Haslewood, Mr. W. H. Booth, Mr. Percy Wainwright and Mrs. Wainwright, Mr. V. B. Redstone, Mr. John Arnott, and several visitors and friends, including many ladies. The Honorary Secretary (Rev. F. Haslewood, F.S.A.) mentioned that some considerable time had elapsed since the last excursion to Woodbridge, and expressed pleasure at the opportunity of visiting the town again. During the past ten years the membership of the Institute had been well maintained. An annual volume has been punctually delivered, and he had been able to make a return of all the Church Plate in the county. The publication as regards twenty-four

Deaneries had been accomplished ; the remaining three, he hoped, would soon be complete, and when that work was done he thought his office as Honorary Secretary would terminate.

Mr. Redstone gave a tersely summarised history of the town, the principal point of which was the ancient rivalry with Ipswich. When the market was proposed, Ipswich raised an objection, and the matter was settled by compromise : yet every Ipswich notable was cradled in Woodbridge ! Woodbridge had an important carrying trade—it was a limb of Yarmouth ; Ipswich could not do anything without the help of Woodbridge ; it was so at the time of the Armada, when two Woodbridge ships were sent, to one from Ipswich. The Cromwellian period was “a glorious time” for Woodbridge ; the Protector made a great dockyard by the Deben, and therein many warships were built. It was at Woodbridge that the first blow at the power of Wolsey was dealt by a Commission. All these and many more points of interest were touched on, Mr. Redstone having evidently made himself master of the archæology and history of the district.

Members then proceeded to S. Mary's Church, where Mr. John Arnott read a paper on the Church and Priory.

The visitors found an unusually large number of objects of interest. The parochial registers yielded surprising testimony to the virulence of the pestilence in 1666, and there was a narrative of a desperate engagement between the train-bands of Ipswich and Woodbridge, in 1626, at Martlesham. The Ipswich band, led by Edward Withipoll, having vanquished their rivals—the captain and lieutenant of the Woodbridge band were among the slain—returned to ring the church bells by way of triumph.

Before resuming their seats in the carriages, members inspected the exterior of the Town Hall, and Weigh house, the latter being one of the very few still in existence, as illustrating the steel-yard principle of weighing heavy goods in olden times.

A short drive brought the excursionists to the fine Elizabethan Mansion known as Seckford Hall, thrown open to the visitors by Mr. G. W. Hunt, and a history of the Seckford family was given by Mr. Redstone. The date of erection is put at 1550 to 1580. Not a Seckford can now be found in Suffolk, and there are no descendants of the renowned soldiers and citizens of London.

Visits were also paid to Great Bealings Church and Playford Church, both dedicated to S. Mary ; in the latter is a fine brass of Sir John Felbrigg, A.D. 1400. For a small village Playford has a history, or rather from Playford have gone forth men of renown in the philanthropic and scientific world—Thomas Clarkson and Sir George Biddell Airy ; the remains of both are interred in the church and churchyard. At Playford Hall, a good example of the moated mansions of Suffolk, the party were welcomed to tea by Mr. George E. Crisp, one of the most diligent collectors of curios in the country. The mansion has become familiar to Ipswich antiquarians, Mr. Crisp having on former occasions welcomed members of our Society.