

CHURCH PLATE IN SUFFOLK.

DEANERY OF COLNEYS.

The Church Plate of this Deanery does not call for much special remark. The Cups at Nacton, Levington, and Waldringfield, are good specimens of Elizabethan pattern. That at Walton probably belongs to the same period, but is not so good.

EDMUND C. HOPPER.

BRIGHTWELL. S. JOHN BAPTIST.

CUP: height $7\frac{5}{8}$ inches; diameter $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's initials, the first defaced, the second B, possibly for Buckle; date letter court hand T for 1656; lion passant. Inscribed:—"*Brightwell in Suffolke 1657.*"

PATEN: also cover to Cup, diameter $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Has same marks and inscription as the Cup.

Communion Plate of the Commonwealth period is rare.

Instead of a Flagon there are two glass CRUETS on a pewter stand.

ALMS DISH: pewter.

BUCKLESHAM. S. MARY.

CUP: height 7 inches, diameter $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark R. P.; date letter small Roman o for 1749; lion passant. Inscribed:—"*Bucklesham Suffolk 1750.*"

PATEN: diameter 6 inches. Marks and inscription as on Cup.

FLAGON AND ALMS DISH are of electro-plate.

FALKENHAM. S. ETHELBERT.

CUP: height 6 inches; diameter $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark F. W. for Fuller White (Cripps, p. 381); date letter old English capital A for 1756; lion passant.

PATEN: this and credence Paten of electro-plate.

FELIXSTOWE. SS. PETER AND PAUL.

CUPS: (1) height $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches; diameter 3 inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark T T; date letter Roman capital N for 1728; lion passant. Inscribed:—"Felixstow."

A CUP, PATEN, and FLAGON, were presented by Lady Login, each bears the inscription:—"Presented by Lady Login to the Church of SS. Peter and Paul Felixstowe 1872."

(2) Height $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches; diameter 3 inches. Has an enamelled I H S and jewelled cross. Marks: leopard's head; maker's mark J. C. E.; date letter small old English h for 1863; lion passant; queen's head.

PATEN: diameter 6 inches. Marks: a crown; maker's mark T. A. H.; G, Sheffield date-letter for 1850; lion passant; queen's head.

FLAGON. Marks: Birmingham anchor; maker's mark T T & Co.; date-letter W for 1871; lion passant. Inscribed—"THIS IS MY BLOOD." There is also an old pewter FLAGON.

HEMLEY. ALL SAINTS.

About five or six years ago the church, with the exception of the tower, was entirely re-built. A new CUP, PATEN, and FLAGON, were then given: They are of electro-plate, of good medieval shape. The present rector knows nothing of the old plate.

KIRTON. S. MARY.

CUP: height 7 inches; diameter 3 inches. Electro-plated.

PATENS: (1) also a cover is apparently Elizabethan. It is much cup-shaped, but has no marks.

(2) diameter 7 inches. Marks: leopard's head; maker's mark R. W.; date letter old English capital Q for 1851; lion passant; queen's head. Bears upon it:—"Laus Deo Erskine Neale. Rector. Kirton. 1852," and the sacred monogram.

FLAGON: large jug-shaped, plated.

LEVINGTON. S. PETER.

The only vessel of silver is a pretty Elizabethan Cup 4 inches high, and 4 inches in diameter, with band. It bears a G in a shaped shield, but no other mark.

NACTON. S. MARTIN.

CUP: Elizabethan, with the usual band, $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch wide, enclosing these arms twice:—quarterly, first and fourth a cross engrailed, second and third a chevron between three buck's heads. Height $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches; diameter $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches. (1 and 4 *Broke* of Nacton: or, a cross engrailed, party per pale, sa. and gules; 2 and 3 probably *Parker*. Thomas Broke, father of Chief Baron Sir Richard Broke, married the heiress of John Parker, Esq., of Copenhall, co. Cheshire.)

PATEN: with foot, to serve as cover; 1 inch high; diameter $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Bears N. T. and a G in a shaped shield.

A fine new set of plate was given in 1892 by Captain Pretyman. Each piece bears leopard's head; maker's mark J W; date letter Roman capital R for 1892; lion passant; queen's head.

CUP: good medieval shape. Height 7 inches. Inscribed:—THIS IS MY BLOOD WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU.

PATEN: Diameter 7 inches. Inscribed:—I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE.

FLAGONS: (1) good ewer-shape. Has upon it:—I AM THE TRUE VINE.

(2) Pewter, tankard-shape, 8 inches deep inside, clear of foot and lid; diameter $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

ALMS DISH: pewter, 9 inches diameter.

TRIMLEY. S. MARTIN.

CUP AND PATEN: both plated.

FLAGON: glass mounted on plated ware. There are two pewter dishes.

Two large pewter Flagons bear this inscription:—“*Deo et Ecclesie D. Martini de Trimley Com. Suff. hoc et alterum Robt. Coningsby A M. & ejusdem Rector humillime D. D. D. 1711.*”

TRIMLEY. S. MARY.

CUP: height $6\frac{5}{8}$ inches; diameter $2\frac{7}{8}$ inches. Marks: leopard's head crowned; maker's mark I K; date letter small Roman S for 1793; lion passant; head of George III. Inscribed—“*Trimley S. Mary.*”

PATEN: diameter 4 inches. Marks and inscription as on Cup. There is also an old pewter bowl.

WALDRINGFIELD. ALL SAINTS.

CUP: good Elizabethan, with band. Height $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches; diameter 3 inches. No marks but date about 1567.

PATEN and FLAGON electro-plated.

WALTON. S. MARY.

CUP: apparently Elizabethan, re-hammered, no band. Height 5 inches; diameter $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches. Mark W beneath a crown (not in Cripps).

PATEN: mark as on Cup; fits Cup.

A second Cup, two Patens, Flagon, and two Dishes, plated.