

NOTES.

THE SITE OF ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL CHAPEL.

The passing of the little Chapel of St. Peter's Hospital, Bury St. Edmunds, appears to have been unwept and unrecorded. Its site, however, deserves to be perpetuated.

Whilst digging a drain some 6-ft. west of the stone-built house called St. Peter's Cottage, Risbygate, at a depth of 5-ft., the workman came upon a large piece of worked stone. This proved to be the Head of a two-light window with curvilinear tracery with the lower lights foliated.

The stone measures 2-ft. 10-in. by 2-ft. 6-in., and is 8 inches deep and is all cut from one stone.

The "Oldest Inhabitant" informed me that human bones were constantly dug up both here and in the cottage gardens to the east.

He remembers an oral tradition that the ruins of a Church stood where the Tracery was found, and also mentioned that when the present houses were built over its ruins, he remembers hearing that a great quantity of earth was taken from the pits on the opposite side of the road to raise the level of the land for building purposes, and this would account for the Tracery being 5-ft. below the surface.

He had also heard, as tradition, the historical fact that those who died of the Plague were buried here. The date of the Plague he did not know, but it was that of 1637, when 600 died and 140 were buried at St. Peter's Chapel in 5 months.

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