

To the West of this piscina again there is a blocked-in archway about 7-ft. 0-ins. in the opening and nearly the full height of the wall, which formerly led into the nave of the church. About 5-ft. 0-ins. further West the foundation of a wall at right angles with the wall of the nave was found by shallow excavation.

The stones of the small window were found to be shattered and of a pinkish colour, and a large area of the flint-faced walling of the chancel around and above it showed plain signs of fire. The East end wall of the church itself showed several vertical cracks from the top downwards.

From the evidence it appears that a chapel or chantry of the 14th or 15th century, measuring internally about 18-ft. 0-ins. long from East to West, with arched access from the nave of the church, stood here until destroyed by fire at an unknown date involving the roof of the chancel which cracked the East wall in falling.

With reference to the report of the finding of a stone coffin built into the South wall of the nave of this church (*Proc. Suff. Inst. Arch.*, xxiv, 1949, p. 255), the removal of old plaster from the exterior of the South wall of the nave revealed a corner of this coffin proving it to be a normal four-sided coffin and not 'shaped for the shoulders' as there stated.

In this church, in addition to this stone coffin, there is a fine stone coffin lid set in the floor of the chancel; and parts of two other stone coffin lids, one forming the threshold of the South door and the other a piece of paving inside the door.

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Byzantine coin found at Ipswich. Mr. R. H. Dolley of the Department of Coins and Medals at the British Museum sends this note:— 'A recent chance find of a coin seems worthy of permanent record. It was found in a garden at 10 Adelphi Place, Lower Brook Street, Ipswich, by the occupier Mr. M. A. Foster who sent it to the British Museum for identification. It is a small copper coin of about the size of a halfpenny but of irregular shape. On the obverse can be seen traces of the head and shoulders of Christ with cruciform nimbus, on the reverse a patriarchal cross with two cross-bars rising from sprigs of foliage.

At one time coins of this type were associated with Baldwin II, Count of Edessa (1100-1118), but Professor A. R. Bellinger of Yale University has established that they represent an anonymous bronze issue of Alexias Komnenos, Byzantine Emperor at the time of the first Crusade.¹

¹ A. R. Bellinger, *The Anonymous Byzantine Bronze Coinage*, New York, 1928. The coin is of Class VIII (pl. 11, 5).

The question with a find spot of this sort is its authenticity; but Mr. H. E. P. Spencer of the Corporation Museum informs me that there is no inherent improbability in the site. The coin was found four feet down which accords well with the stratification of the area as established by excavations in the neighbouring Carmelite Friary. Incidentally, the proximity of this Friary is an argument in favour of the find's authenticity. Many of the early Carmelites were Crusaders, and these coins have been found in considerable numbers in the Crusading Principalities, hence their association with Edessa.

Unpublished writings on Suffolk History. The cost of publishing books for which there exists but a limited demand means that many works on local history do not become available to the general public. This is frequently the case with theses presented for higher degrees at the Universities. Copies of these are, however, kept at the respective University library, and may, upon application, be consulted by accredited students. In order that Members of the Institute, who are interested in different aspects of Suffolk history, may know of such works, the following list has been compiled from the *Theses Supplements* of the Institute of Historical Research, University of London, Senate House, London, W.C.1. This list includes works completed and work in progress as at 1 January 1953.

It is hoped to include additional information in future issues of the *Proceedings*, but in order to make this service more adequate, advice of the existence of manuscript material and where such work may be consulted, will be welcomed by the Secretary, Local History Recording Scheme, c/o Central Public Library, Northgate Street, Ipswich.

THESES COMPLETED AND PRESENTED

<i>University</i>	<i>Degree</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Author</i>	<i>Year</i>
London	M.A.	Agrarian conditions in Norfolk and Suffolk, 1100—1150.	J. Sprott	1935
London	M.A.	The Cloth Industry in Essex and Suffolk, 1558—1640.	J. E. Pilgrim	1938
London	M.A.	The Administration of the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk in the reign of Henry IV.	G. E. Morey	1941
London	Ph.D. (Ext).	East Anglian Society in the fifteenth century: an historico-regional survey.	G. E. Morey	1951