Reeves and Greaves. In his interesting paper on this subject, Dr. Cane touches on, but does not make clear, the relationship between the two terms. *Reeve* is the modern descendant in the Midlands and the South of Old English (*ge*)řēfa, which is not to be confused with *greave*. In (*ge*)řēfa the *g* was pronounced like a *y*; the prefix disappeared and the word became *reve* in Middle English. The corresponding modern form in Scotland and Northern England is *grieve* which derives from Old Northumbrian *grēfa*, the northern equivalent of the West Saxon (*ge*)řēfa. The initial *g* was hard and gave Middle English *greve*.

A third form, with approximately the same meaning, is found in the Scandinavian counties, Middle English *greyve*, from Old Norse *greiða*. In South Yorkshire in the sixteenth century, the English *greve* and the Scandinavian *greyve* were pronounced very much alike and their spellings became confused. Both terms had given rise to surnames, the English *greve* now surviving as Greeves, Greaves or Grieves, the Scandinavian *greyve* usually as Graves. The Rotherham *greave* is a survival of Old Northumbrian *grēfa*.

In Suffolk, the normal English form was (*ge*)řēfa which is found as *reve* side by side with the Scandinavian *greyve*. In a Suffolk document of the reign of Henry III in the Colchester Calendar we find Hubert le Greyue and in 1317 in the Suffolk Fines William le Greive, whilst in the 1327 Subsidy Roll we have both Guy le Reve and Adam le Reuesson. Both forms still survived in the 1524 Subsidy Roll: John Greve and John Greywe the elder. The Bungay *reeve* derives from Old English (*ge*)řēfa.

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A Seventeenth Century Token. Mr. Alex. E. Rollings, of Debenham, reports that a halfpenny token, issued by John Blumfield of Worlingworth, was found in the parish of Debenham in the spring of 1954. This is No. 358 on page 76 of Golding’s *Coinage of Suffolk*, and bears on the obverse the arms of the Grocers’ Company, a chevron between nine cloves.

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Ancient Monuments in Suffolk. The following is a list of Ancient Monuments in Suffolk which have been scheduled by the Ministry of Works under the Acts of 1913 and 1931; it is taken from pages 90-91 of the *List of Ancient Monuments in England and Wales* (H.M.S.O., 1953). Members are urged to report promptly to the Secretaries of the Institute any damage or threat of damage to these monuments which may come to their notice.