



The Ipswich Sprinkler

PLATE XXXII



The Cambridge Sprinkler

During recent excavations in the City of London, about half-a-dozen examples of the 'rose' type were found datable to the late 16th and early 17th centuries. A fine specimen from Cambridge, similar in almost all respects to the Tollemache sprinkler, is illustrated (Plate XXXII), to show the complete form. An interesting feature is the banded decoration of white slip similar to that on some 14th/15th century vessels.

An earlier (13th century) specimen in the Ipswich Museum is pyriform in shape, with perforated base, the flow of water being regulated by the application of the finger over a hole in the plate sealing the neck; it comes from the Buttermarket, Ipswich.

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A Rare Suffolk Token. Mr. Ralph Nott writes to me (10 January 1957): 'You may be interested to hear that I came across the token of John Hunsby of Walsham-le-Willows the other day'. This is Williamson 350 (Golding 339) and is a farthing; it is very rare and I have never seen it.

O: IOHN . HYNSBY . IN . 1667—The Grocers' Arms
R: WALSHAM . LE . WILLOWS.—I . H.

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