

rebuilt and got to be made Collegiate. This Religious Society consisted of a Prior, Sacrist, and six Canons,<sup>a</sup> who were endowed at the Suppression with 74*l.* 2*s.* 7½*d.* in the full, and 61*l.* 9*s.* 7¾*d.* *per annum* in the clear income. Blomfield, in his History of Norfolk, vol. iv. p. 874, has a full Account of the foundation and revenues of this Priory, with the Names of the Priors, as they were called, or Wardens.

Tanner has various references to Records concerning this College. ARMS for this College, different from those

in Tanner's Plates, occur in MS. Lansdowne, Num. 255. fol. 12 b.

Taylor, in his Index Monasticus, supposes that the founder of Ingham changed his College into a Priory very early after its foundation. To this Priory, he says, belonged four manors and four impropriate churches, with lands and interests in about twenty parishes. The grantee at the Dissolution was Sir William Woodhouse of Waxham, who exchanged it for the Priory of Hickling in 1544; and it thus became part of the possessions of the bishoprick of Norwich.<sup>b</sup>

### College at Lynne, in Norfolk.

TANNER says, Not far from the Town-house called Trinity-hall, nearer to the river, was a College of twelve Priests, founded about A. D. 1500, by Thomas Thursby,

who was several times mayor of this town.<sup>c</sup> It was suppressed in 1532. The present possessor is James Denton, Esq.

### College of Norton Soupecors, or Raveningham College, in Norfolk.

SIR JOHN DE NORWICH, Knt., eldest son of Sir Walter de Norwich, about the 17th Edw. III., founded at Raveningham, to the honour of the blessed Virgin, a Chantry or College of eight Secular Priests, one of whom was to be Warden, who were to perform divine offices in the Parish Church of St. Andrew; but this College was not long after removed to the neighbouring Village of Norton Soupecors; where upon the manse of the Rectory were begun to be built a fine new Chapel, and all other convenient and necessary buildings for the Priests, whose number was increased to thirteen A. D. 1387; but they were, 17th Ric. II., once more translated, *viz.* to the Castle of Mettingham in Suffolk. Tanner says, this Society was styled "Ecclesia Collegiata S. Mariæ de Raveningham in Norton Soupecors."

Blomfield says, this College was endowed by Sir John and his heirs with the manors of Lyng, How, Blackworth, Hadeston, Snoring Parva, the advowson and appropriation of the Church of Raveningham, lands and tenements in East and West Wretham and Illington, Mettingham Castle, the manors of Ilketeshale, Shipmeadow, Melles, Bromfield, Wenhamston, and Redesham: lands in Barsham and Beccles; the reversion of the manor and advowson of Dalinghow, and the fifth part of the lordship of Alderton in Suffolk.

The removal of this College to Norton, proposed in the 5th, was carried into execution in the 11th Ric. II. In the 18th Ric. II. Holm Hall in Raveningham was granted to it; and in the 16th of the same King various other lands in

Norton, Carlton, How, and Pareshall in Bunwell, with lands in Ingham, Knapton, and Brinton, &c. and the advowsons of Tybenhall and Carlton, Bunwell and How, were added to its endowment.

Blomfield has given the following NAMES of the MASTERS of this COLLEGE: THOMAS BOYTON, 1349. ALEXANDER DE BOXNE, 1355. ADAM WYARD, 1361. JOHN DE CARLTON RODE, 1375. ROGER WITHY, 1380. JOHN BURGHWODE, 1387. RICHARD CRATFIELD OCCURS 1389. JOHN LE NEVE, 1392. JOHN WILBY, 1403. ROGER BANBRIDGE OCCURS IN 1433 AND 1442. WILLIAM FRANSHAM IN 1452 AND 1479. ROBERT WRIGHT, 1480. RICHARD BRANCH, 1499. RICHARD WEYBRED, Sept. 25th, 1507. RICHARD SHELTON OCCURS IN 1530 AND 1532. THOMAS MANNING, 1539.

This College continued at Mettingham Castle till the Dissolution, when it was surrendered to the King, April 8th, 33d Hen. VIII., and on the 14th of the same month and year was granted to Sir Anthony Denney, with the appropriated rectories of this Town, Norton, &c.<sup>d</sup>

Tanner has given a few references to Records concerning this College. The Chartulary which he mentions, formerly Mr. Peter Le Neve's, and then Mr. Astle's, is now in the possession of the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos at Stow. MS. Stow, Press III. No. lxxiii. See the Bibliotheca Stowensis, vol. ii. p. 142.

### College of The Chapel in the Fields, at Norwich.

ABOUT the year 1250, says Tanner, was built a Chapel in the fields on the south-west part of the City of Norwich, dedicated to the blessed Virgin Mary, by one Sir John Broun or Brom, priest, which was designed first for an Hospital, but in a short time became a noble College, consisting of a Dean (the founder being the first), a Chancellor, Precentor, Treasurer, and four other Prebendaries, six Chaplains, &c. It was valued, 26th Hen. VIIIth, at 86*l.* 16*s.* 0¾*d.*, and granted 37th Hen. VIII. to Miles Spencer the last Dean.

Blomfield gives the NAMES of the DEANS of this COLLEGE. JOHN LE BRUN, the founder, in 1260, is called Master of the Hospital of St. Mary in the Fields; but in 1278 Dean of the Chapel of St. Mary. RICHARD DE RINGSTEDE succeeded as Dean in 1305. WALTER, 1309. WALTER DE DITCHINGHAM, 1321. SIMON DE CLEY, 1326. WILLIAM DE HEMENHALE, 1340. ROBERT DE UTLYCOTE, 1340. RICHARD YVE, OR IVE; upon whose death ADAM

DE CRINGLEFORD succeeded in 1367. JOHN HENNEYE, 1369. JOHN BROUN, 1374. JOHN CLERVAUX, 1383. HENRY DE WELL, 1401. JOHN REKINGHALE, 1405. THOMAS RINGSTEDE, 1426. JOHN WYGENHALE, *alias* SARESSON, 1436. THOMAS RINGSTEDE, a second time Dean, 1440. JOHN WYGENHALE, again collated in 1444. SIMON DE THORNHAM, LL. B., 1459. ROBERT POPY. JOHN NEEL, 1467. NICHOLAS GOLDWELL, LL. B., 1498. ROBERT HONYWOOD, 1502. . . . FREEMAN. THOMAS HARE, 1513. NICHOLAS CARR, LL. D., 1519. MILES SPENCER, LL. D., 1532.

Blomfield gives an ample List of the Benefactors to this College, vol. iv. p. 614. See also Taylor, p. 49, who describes two SEALS of this College.

The present owner of the Site is the Right Honourable the Earl of Buckinghamshire.

Tanner refers to numerous charters and records relating to this College.

<sup>a</sup> They were designed to have been made up to the number of thirteen, if the revenues increased so as ten marks per annum could be allowed to every Religious.

<sup>b</sup> Compare Tanner, *Norf.* xxxvi. Blomf. ut supr., and Taylor, *Index Monasticus*, p. 35.

<sup>c</sup> He refers to a Description of Lynne by Alderman Bell, MS. In

a Note, Tanner adds, "A. D. 1502, *Thomas Thirlby* built the south part of St. Margaret's Church, the College, and the South Gates." Mackarel's *Hist. of Lynne*, p. 224. This College is also mentioned in Sir Henry Spelman's *Sacrilege*, p. 247.

<sup>d</sup> Compare Tann. *Notit. Monast. Norf.* l. Blomf. *Hist. Norf.* vol. iv. p. 266. Taylor's *Index Monast.* p. 49.