

Ancient College at Lambeth, in Surrey.

THE following is Bishop Tanner's Account of this foundation: "Baldwin archbishop of Canterbury being obliged to desist building a College for Secular Canons at Hakynton near Canterbury, thought he might pursue a design of that nature at forty or fifty miles distance, and accordingly began, about A. D. 1191, to found a fine Chapel here (which he intended to make collegiate, and endow for the maintenance of several canons or prebendaries) to the honour of his predecessor St. Thomas the Martyr, which his successor, Archbishop Hubert, carried on; but when it was just finished, A. D. 1199, he was forced to pull it down to the ground by the papal bulls, which had been obtained at the strong instance of the monks of Christ Church, Canterbury, who were jealous of this new foundation for Seculars

so near the archiepiscopal Palace. This caused great difference: the arbitrators, A. D. 1202, awarded that the Archbishop might here, at Lambeth, any where but on the foundation of the former chapel, build an ordinary church, and place therein not less than thirteen, nor more than twenty Premonstratensian Canons, and endow the same with 100*l.* *per annum.* But this last proposal does not appear to have taken effect."^a

Manning, in the History of Surrey, vol. iii. p. 469, gives an enlarged version of this story, chiefly from the details printed at length in the Registrum Roffense, p. 434, and by Ducarel; to which the reader may refer. It was from this time that the Archbishops of Canterbury fixed their chief residence at Lambeth.

Collegiate Church of Lingfield, in Surrey.

THIS was a Collegiate Church of a Provost, Chaplains, and Clerks, founded in the beginning of the reign of King Henry the Sixth, by Reginald Lord Cobham, dedicated to St. Peter. At the Dissolution it was valued at 79*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.* in the whole, and at 75*l.* *per annum* clear income. The particular of the grant of this College to

Thomas Cawarden, 5th Dec., 38th Hen. VIIIth, will be found in the Harleian Manuscript, 4316, p. 103. The Names of two Masters or Provosts of this College only have occurred to the present Editors: JOHN WICHE, supposed to have been the first; and JOHN SWEETCOTE.

College of Meaudon, or Maldon, in Surrey.

WALTER DE MERTON, some time Lord Chancellor of England, and afterward Bishop of Rochester, about the year 1263, before one of the Barons' wars, founded a College here for three Priests and twenty Scholars, and endowed the same with his manors of Meaudon and Farleigh. And as soon as peace was settled, he founded, A. D. 1267, a House in Oxford, whither some of the Scholars were from time to time to resort for the advancement of their studies.

But within few years the whole Society was removed to Oxford, which gave occasion for perfecting the buildings, and better endowing of Merton College there.^b The charter of foundation of this College, with various other Instruments relating to it, are preserved among the Archives of Merton College, Oxford. Tanner has given a few other references to public and other Records relating to it.

Collegiate Church of Boseham, in Sussex.

THE Village here was anciently called Bosanham. Upon St. Wilfrid's coming among the South Saxons, about A. D. 681, he is said to have found here a small Monastery of five or six Religions, under the government of one Dicul a Scottish Monk.^c The Church here seems afterwards to have been of a higher character. It is represented in the Baieux Tapestry as a superior edifice. In the Domesday Survey we find it entered as the property of Osbern bishop of Exeter, and to have had no fewer than a hundred and twelve hides of land appertaining to it. He had held it in the time of the Confessor.^d

Tanner says, "After the Conquest, William Warlewast bishop of Exeter obtained of King Henry the First the grant of this place to himself and his successors, who were patrons and visitors of the Secular Canons or Prebendaries founded by that Bishop in the choir of the Parish Church here, which was looked upon as a royal free Chapel

dedicated to the Holy Trinity, and exempt from the ordinary jurisdiction of the Bishop of Chichester and his Archdeacon."^e It is probable, however, that the grant to Bishop Warlewast was only a charter of confirmation. From Prynne^f we learn, that in later times the Bishop of Exeter was in the place of Dean or Provost of this College. In the Taxation of 1291, the prebends of Waleton, Chedeham, Westbrook, Fountington, and Apulderham are mentioned, and some show of a Collegiate Church remained here till the Dissolution. The Site of this free Chapel or College was granted, 6 Eliz., to Vincent Calmady, and the next year to the Dean and Chapter of Chichester.^g

The Church of Boseham is an Edifice of no great attraction at present, but architectural fragments are continually dug up in its immediate vicinity, which bespeak its consequence at an earlier date.

College of Vicars, in the Cathedral of Chichester.

THE Vicars of this Cathedral became incorporated as a Community, with a Principal at their head, in the 5th of Edward the IVth, and so continue at the present time.

Tanner refers to two other Patents relating to them, Pat. 7 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 19. Pat. 8 Edw. IV. p. 2, m. 21.

^a Numerous Instruments relating to the controversy between the Archbishop and the Monks of Canterbury will be found in Twysden's *Decem Scriptores*, coll. 1593, 1598, 1599, 1602, 1604, 1607, 1608, 1609, 1610, 1612, 1616, &c. See also in the *Annal. Winton. Angl. Sacr.* tom. i. p. 305, Arbitramentum factum inter Archiepiscopum et Conventum Cantuariensem per Episcopum Eliensem, abbatem S. Edmundi, et Decanum Lincoln., A. D. 1202. Tanner adds, *Vide* "In Cartulario Archiepiscopatus Cantuar. MS. in bibl. Bodl. Oxon. p. 306, &c. quatuor Bullas Papæ Gregorii de hoc Collegio. Opus tripartitum, exhibens universas Literas bullatas, aliasque Epistolas ac rescripta undique transmissas, occasione litis exortæ inter Baldwinum archiepiscopum siveque successorem Hubertum ex una parte, et Priorem et Conventum Cantuar. ex altera, e Codice Lambethano descriptum, MS. in bibl. Harleiana, p. 788."

^b Tanner, *Notit. Monast. Surr.* xii. See also Manning's *Hist. of Surrey*, vol. iii. p. 4.

^c See Bede's *Eccl. Hist.* l. iv. c. 13.

^d *Domesd.* tom. i. fol. 17. "Osbernus episcopus tenet de Rege æcclesiam de Boseham et de rege Edwardo tenuit. Huic æcclesiæ pertinebant cxii. hidæ. Modo sunt foris xlviij." Other manors, lands, &c. at Halestede, Presteton, and Levitone are entered; at the end of which it is said, "Omnes hæ terræ pertinuerunt et pertinent Æcclesiæ de Boseham in elemosina."

^e Tann. *Notit. Monast. Sussex*, v.

^f *Papal Usurpations*, vol. iii. p. 1266.

^g To Tanner's References may be added, Ducarel's Excerpts from the Lambeth Registers, vol. xvii. p. 146.