Privity of Bromehill, or Bromwell, in Norfolk.

THIS Priory, according to Blomfield, was founded by Sir Hugh de Peult, in or about the reign of John.3 It was situated in the parish of Weten, and was dedicated to the Virgin Mary and St. Thomas the Martyr. King Richard the II. appears to have favoured this Priory, and, in the 9th year of his reign, gave it to the Church of Abingdon-in-Monmouthshire.

The following is Blomfield's List of the PRIORS OF BROMHELL:

GEORGE O'NEILL, 24th Dec. 1311.
William de White, 5th May, 1342.
Thomas de Sabled, 8th Aug. 1344.
Peter de Bretham.
William Eastmore, 27th April, 1394.
John de Walskeon.
Richard Wynchestre, 9th Nov. 1429.
John Rampton.
Robert Foster, 19th Dec. 1466.
William Kyteleying, 1479.

Lantonia Prima, Lantony, or Llandowbene, in MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE History of this Foundation, from a Chronicle of one of its monks, has been already given in the Appendix to the History of Llandowbene, though first a part, afterwards became a daughter Priory in Monmouthshire.

Tanner, speaking of Lantonia in Monmouthshire, says,4 "Here, in a very solitary valley, not long after the year 1100, was settled a Priory of Canons-regular of the Order of St. Austin, dedicated to St. John Baptist,5 who acknowledged Hugh Lacy for their founder. 6 In the beginning here were twenty Canons; but by reason of the hard usage they met with from the rudeness, poverty, and barrenness of the neighbouring country and people, the greatest part of them removed, first to the bishop's palace in Hereford, and after, viz. A.D. 1130, to a place near Gloucester, which was also called from this their mother-monastery Lantonia (and sometimes for distinction's sake Lantony the Second), so that only thirteen canons were left here, which number in process of time decreased, and the House was almost ruined;"

4 Taylor's Index Monat. p. 91.
7 "In the Minsters' Accounts, however, in the present 1139, the Lantonia Priory is expressly described as a Cell of Llandowbene. For the earlier value of the possession of Lantonia in Monmouth- shire, see the Taxat. P. Nich. IV. p. 119 b, 125.
8 "This Particular of the same will be found recited in the Hereford Taxat. Pat. 1 Edw. III. p. 2730. p. 2.
10 A decree of 1139,Lng. Nor. 11. Hen. II. 7, in Vol. VI.
11 "In MS. Magna, n. 12. Edw. I. 22, 24, 26 are English extracts of the Grant of Lantonia by R. de la Veste, and Gilbert de Lacy in Due Lady and St. Frideswide of Evesham, and to the monks there giving God, of rents and lands in Wincobridge, &c."
12 William, a military retainer of Hugh de Lacy, and Ermwine, wife, obiit. to quibus Maud, relictue Night, &c. 11. 1140, and built a church and hermitage, which Ermwine obtained to be consecrated into a Priory of Regular Canons, of which he became first Prior. Anglia Sacra."

When King Edward the Fourth (anno xlii) gave leave for the annexing this Priory to Lanston near Gorleston, here being to be maintained a prior dative and four canons; but it is to be doubted whether this union ever took full effect, because the estate of Lantony the First is valued distinct in the Valor of the 26th Hen. VIII.9

Tanner says, the Site was granted 38 Hen. VIII. to Nicholas Waterman of Pontland, in Monmouthshire, from Jones's Index to the Originals Records, says, to Richard Arnold. 10 He adds that it was in late times par- ched out as Collegiate in Cambridge, in exchange for some other lands, and thus resumed by the King shortly after, was again granted to them by King Edward the Sixth, and still belongs to them.

Tanner's Reference concerning Bromnhill are below, 11 Blomfield gives a wood-cut of the COMMON SEAL of this House, Oval. Inscribed. SIGIL. FRATRIVS. ETV. CONVIVTVS. et secundo. A Farm-house, called Bromhill-house, has been built out of the Ruins of the Priory.

The ARMS of this House were Party per pale Arg.

12 Tanner gives several Variations, but the correct one is that of the Valor. 13 Lantonia Prima. 14 WILLIAM LAYLY, 1491.
15 WILLIAM BAWLE, alias FINCH, occurs in 1525; he had been successively Prior of two other houses near Gorleston, and was afterwards successively Bishop of St. Asaph, St. David's, Bath and Wells, and Chichester.

This House was suppressed by Pope Clement's bull, May 16th, 1539, and granted by the King in the month of December following to Cardinal Wolsey, toward the end- endowment of his College at Eton. Prior to the disappearance, most of which design by the Cardinal's fall, it was, in the 22nd Hen. VIII., granted to the Master and Fellows of Christ's College in Cambridge, in exchange for some other lands, and thus resumed by the King shortly after, was again granted to them by King Edward the Sixth, and still belongs to them.

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Prioratus Lanthoniae, in agrò Monemutensi.

NUMERY OF CRABHAB, OR WIGHENGAB, IN NORFOLK.

TANNER'S Account of this House shall be, in the first instance, transcribed. He says, "In an old Heri-
mitage, dedicated to St. John the Evangelist, on the south part of the parish of Wighenhall St. Mary Magdalene, was a
Numery of St. Austin, founded with the consent of William de Linevis chief lord of the soil, by Roger prior, and the Convent of Reyham, about A.D. 1318. It was by Godfrey son of William de Linevis given and made subordinate to Canteleus. There were in it a Prior and six or seven Nuns, but their revenues were returned 20 Hen. VIII. at no more than 24d. 13s. 4d. per annum, as Dugdale, and 31S. 13s. 4d. as Speed. This House was granted 1 Marie to Sir John Gage. He says it was dedicated, in one Grant, to God, St. Mary, St. John, and St. Thomas. Among its benefactors he enumerates R. Hen. II. Reg. de Thorpland, t. Hen. II. John rector of Castle St. Edmonds, 1106. Nicholas Beaupre, 1297. John Elvedon, clerk, 1416. Edward Parry, rector of Waldington, 1487. William Trusthust rector of Wigton, 1460. John Gil-

Blenfield has a List of the PRIORESSES of CRABHABE, which is here given with a few additions.

Lena of Leva was the first.

Cecily occurs 1549.

Anne de Metheholm, admitted 1315.

Margaret Cowyn, on the death of Agnes, 1444.

Oliva de Swaynham, 1409.

Cecily occurs 1551.

Cecillia de Beaupre occurs 1376.

Matilda Talbot on Beaupre's death, 1359.

John Wighenhall occurs 1440 and 1447. She was a great benefactor to her convent. She entered upon the re-
building of the conventual church, which appears from the Register which probably is described, to have been completed by her brother Dr. John Wighenhall, parson of

Oxbridge.

Margaret Darcey, 1445. She died in 1470.

Etheldreda Walmer, 1468.

Eliz. Buxton about A. D. 1500.

Margaret Stafforde, about the time of the Disso-
lution, and for about ten years before.

The Compendium Comportament, at the time of the Suppression, inserted changes of a course nature against the

Princess and two of the Nuns.

The Donation Manuscript in the British Museum No. 4733 is a REGISTER OF CRABHABE NUN-
NERY, presented to that Institution by the Rev. Henry

* LAZIN ECGELLIAE, 26 Hen. VIII.

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