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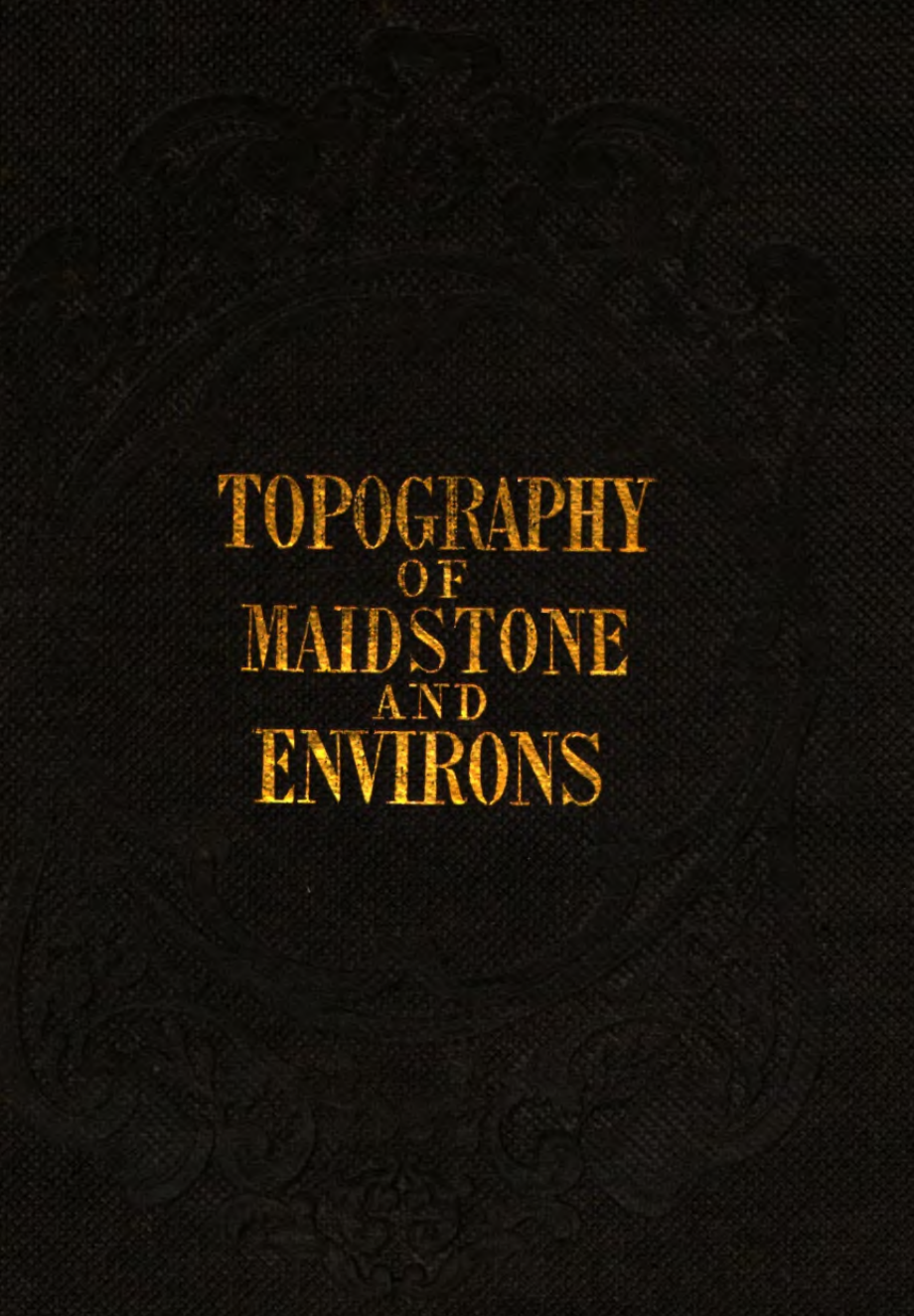
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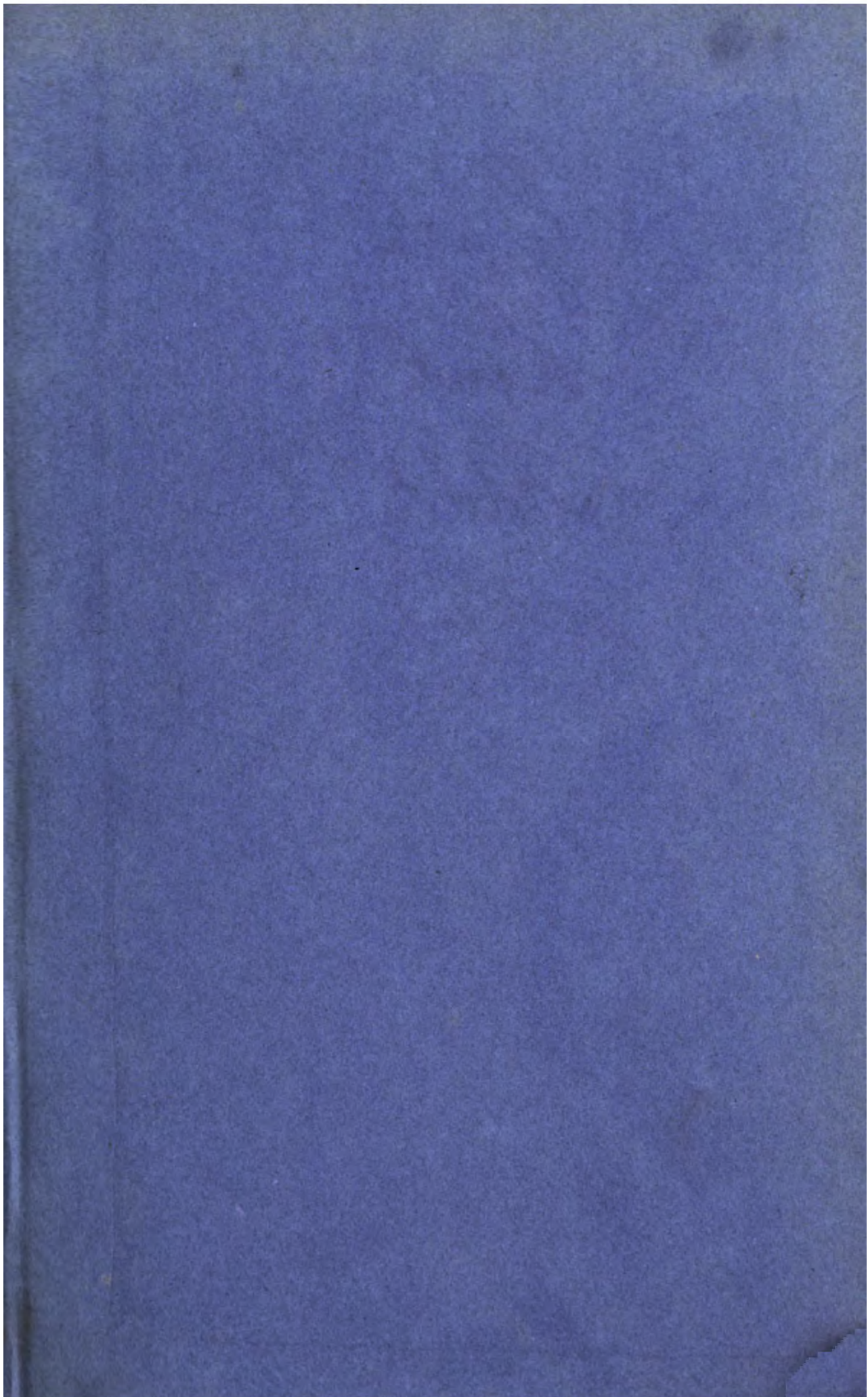
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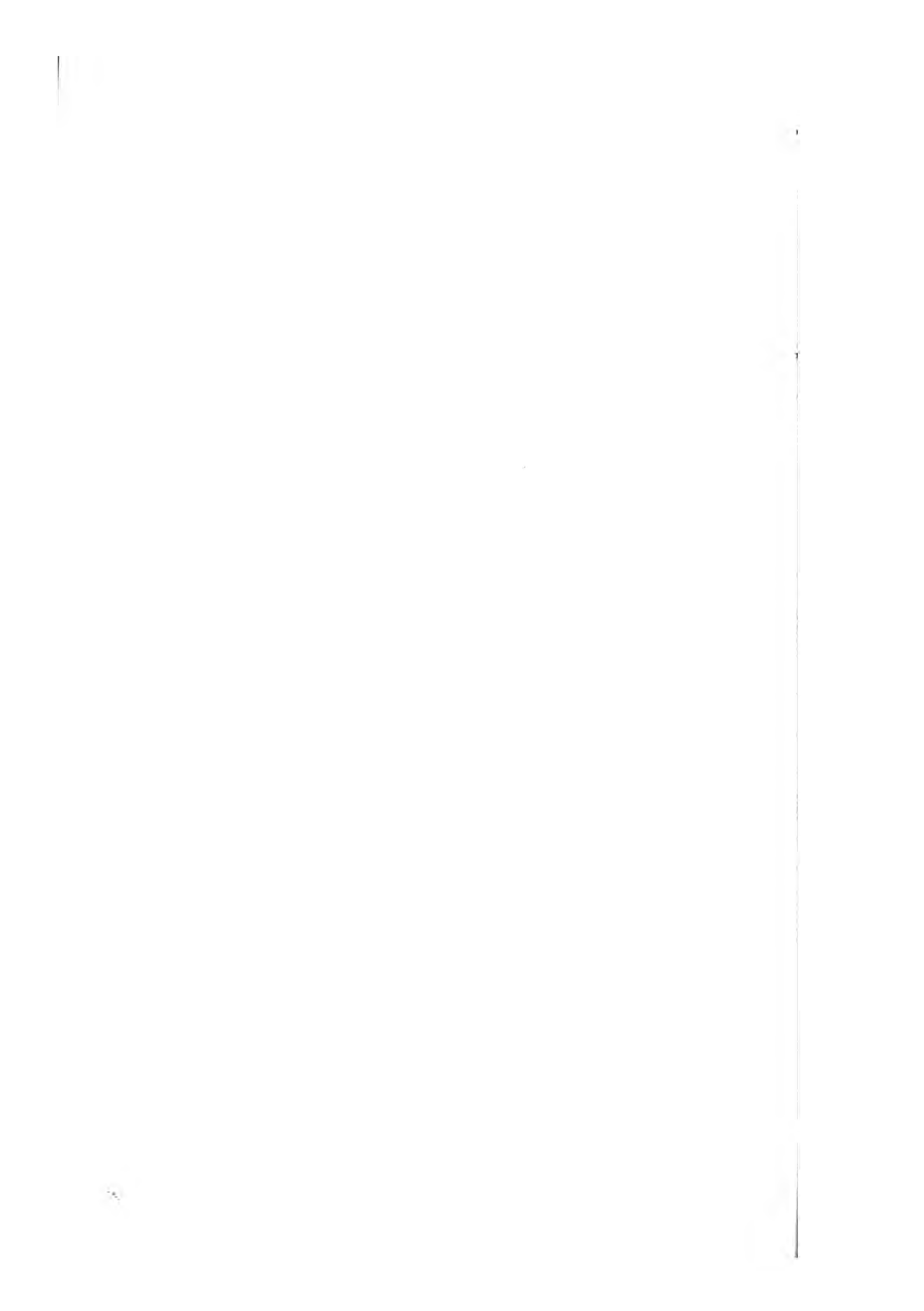
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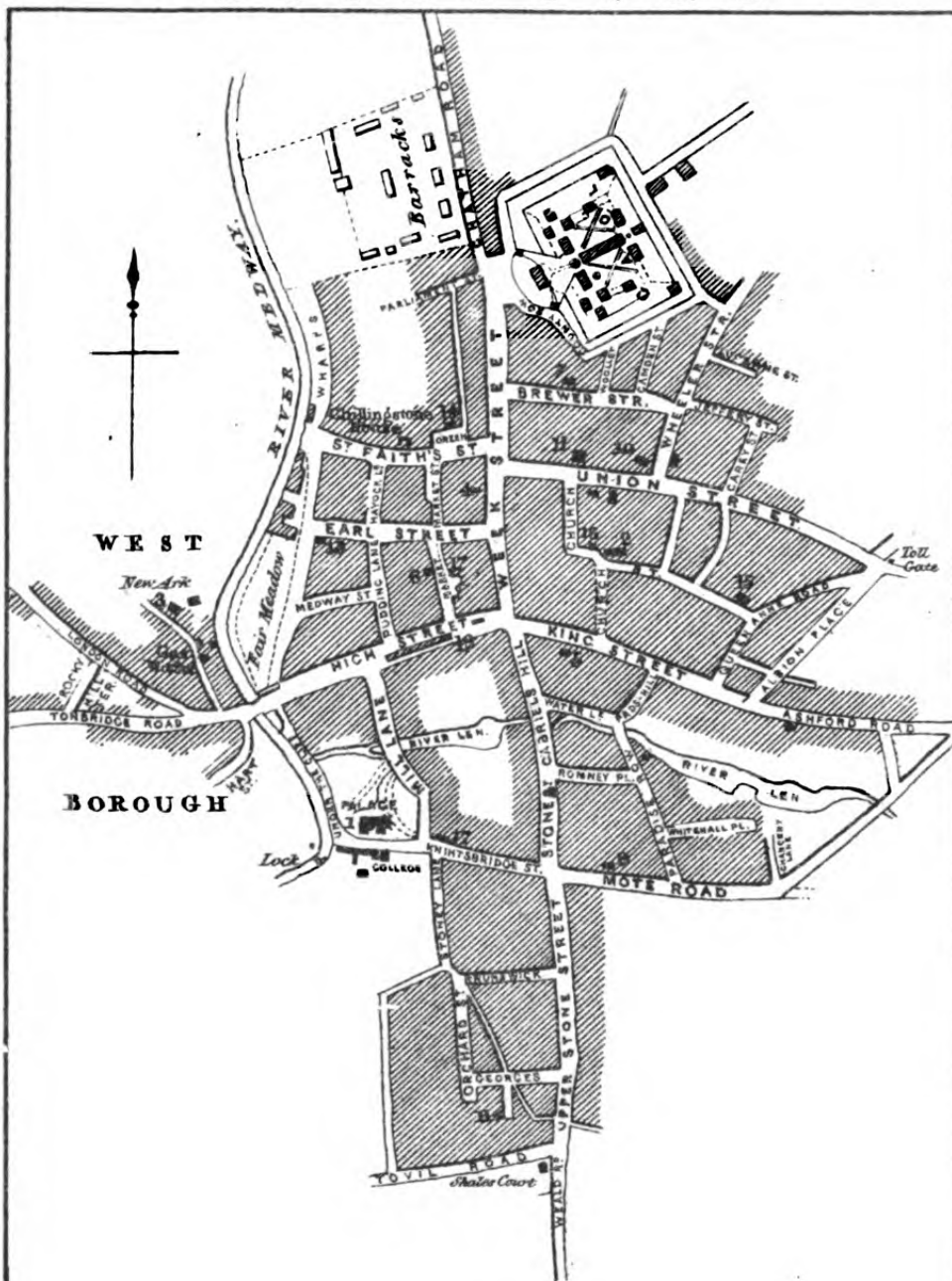
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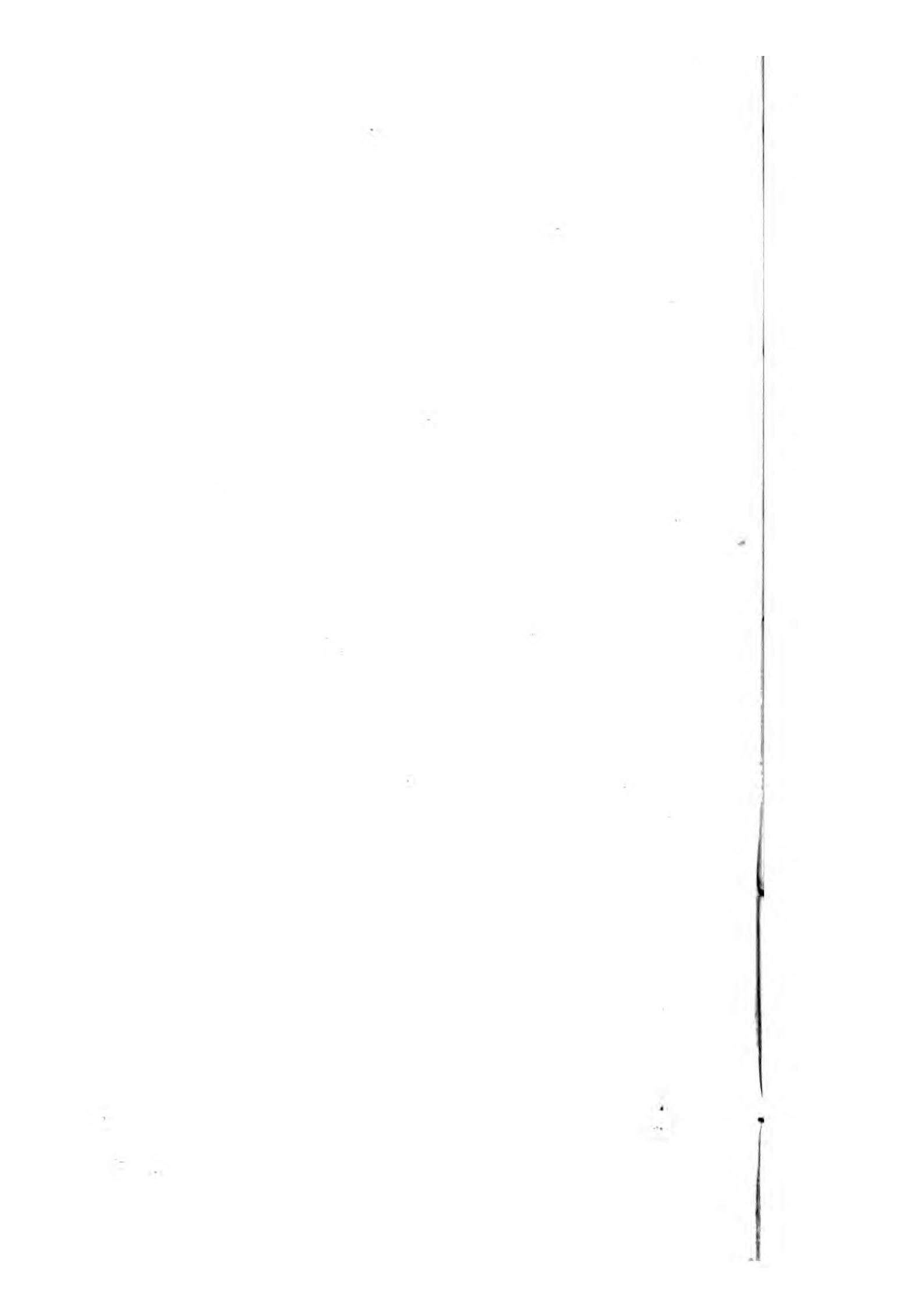
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MAIDSTONE.

NENNIUS, in his catalogue of the cities of Britain, tells us, this place was called by the Britons *Caer Meguiad*, or as others have it, *Medway*. Burton, Camden, Gale and other celebrated historians, have supposed it to have been the Roman station, called by Antoninus, in his Itinerary, *Vagniacæ*, a name derived from the river which at that period was called *Vaga*. The Saxons afterwards named it *Medweyston* and *Medweaggeston*,—that is, *Madinacis Oppidum*, according to Baxter; in English, Medway's Town,

Most of our English antiquaries suppose Maidstone to have been a place of considerable note. "This appears," says Newton, "not only from its situation on the river Medway, but by its being so near to *Pinenden*, or (as vulgarly called) *Pickenden Heath*; a place so famous and eminent in ancient history for the assemblies and conventions of the great men of the kingdom. That the Romans some time had their residence at and about this town, seems very evident."

THE TOWN

consists of four principal streets, viz. High-street, Week-street, King-street, and Gabiel's-hill, leading to Stone-street; there being several others branching out of the same, among which may be enumerated Church-street, Albion-place, Marsham-place, Romney-place, Brewer-st., Earl-street, St. Faith-street, Wheeler-street, Union-street, Knightrider-street, Bank-street, and Mill-street; also some new and respectable buildings between the Tonbridge and

London roads, called Rocky-hill Terrace, and on the left of the Tonbridge road, called Surrey-place; besides many others recently built and now building. The distance from London is about 34 miles; 8 from Rochester or Chatham; 11 from Sittingbourne; 14 from Cranbrook; 16 from Gravesend; 18 from Tenterden; 18 from Sevenoaks; 19 from Ashford; 19 from Tonbridge Wells; 20 from Sheerness; 22 from Westerham; 27 from Canterbury; 32 from Sandgate; 32 from Romney; and 42 from Ramsgate, Margate, Deal, or Dover. It is pleasantly situated near the centre of the county, and screened by the surrounding hills rising from the beautiful valley through which the Medway flows. Its length, from north to south, is estimated to be about one mile and a quarter, and its breadth about three quarters of a mile. The principal streets and places adjacent are well paved, drained, and lighted with gas; and abundantly supplied with excellent water, conveyed by pipes from Rocky-hill, in the West borough, on the opposite side of the Medway. The state of this town in the time of Queen Elizabeth may be ascertained by the return made in the 8th year of her reign; whereby it appeared that there was then a Mayor and Aldermen, 294 inhabited houses, four landing places, five hoys and ships, and 22 persons wholly occupied in the trade of merchandise. In 1811 the number of houses was 1706, and the population returned at 9443; and in 1831, it contained 3018 houses, and 15,387 inhabitants. Since which time a great number of houses have been built, and the population at the present time is supposed to amount to between 18 & 19,000 souls.

MAIDSTONE returns two Members to Parliament, which privilege appears to have been granted, A. D. 1549, in the reign of Edward VI. The Borough was previously, as the charter informs us, governed by certain of the inhabitants, designated the *Port-reeve* and brethren, the place being a capital port of the River Medway. The present Members are B. D'ISRAELI and J. M. FECTOR, Esquires. Number of Voters for Members of Parliament, 453 Freemen, 1019 Householders. The freedom of the corporation is obtained by birth and apprenticeship to a freeman. Under the municipal act of 1835, the town has been divided into wards,

viz. *High-street Ward, King-street, Stone-street, and West Borough*—the two former return six Common-councillors each, and the two latter three each; who, when elected, appoint a Mayor and six Aldermen; which forms the corporation. There are also six Justices, besides the Mayor, together with a Recorder, who hold Quarter Sessions for the trial of all but capital offences. There are also thirteen Charity Trustees, who are nominated by the Corporation. According to the Borough Lists (just published) there are Householders entitled to vote for the Common Council 1092.

The town has been very greatly improved since 1791, when an act passed for lighting and paving the principal streets. Maidstone appears to have been a part of the ancient possessions of the See of Canterbury, being recorded in Domesday, under the general title of the possessions of that See.

Maidstone is within the diocese of Canterbury and deanery of Sutton, and exempt from the jurisdiction of the Archdeacon. William Baldwin, Esq. is the lessee of the tithes.

The arms of the town are, *Or, on a fess wavy azure between three torteauxes, on a chief gules a lion passant guardant, or.*

THE HUNDRED OF MAIDSTONE

contains within its bounds—the parishes of Boxley, Detling, Loose, Linton, East Farleigh, and East and West Barming, with their Churches, and part of the parishes of Bearsted, Hunton, Marden and Staplehurst. It also formerly contained within its bounds, the town and parish of Maidstone, which has long since been made a separate jurisdiction, consequently the inhabitants are exempt from payment of the county rate. The name of this hundred, we find written in Domesday, *Meddestan*, and in most other records, *Maydestane*.

In the 8th of King Edward 2nd, the Archbishop was Lord of the Hundred: afterwards the right honorable Lord Romney.

The soil of this parish is very fertile, being in general a loam thinly spread over an entire bed of quarry stone, commonly called Kentish rag stone. Near to the eastern

part it becomes a deep sand, considerable quantities of which are sent to London and elsewhere. Beyond this is a stiff blue clay, called "Galt," or Forkstone Marl, which continues until it meets the chalk, which rises in a chain of hills of considerable elevation, and which are continuous to Dover, forming the North Downs.

THE IGUANODON QUARRY.

This quarry is the most extensively worked in Kent, and the stone is provincially called Kentish rag stone. It is known by geologists as the Lower green sand formation; and in Kent it forms a range of hills below the chalk, and running nearly in the same direction. It is used for a variety of purposes: paving, building, road-making, and for the protection of embankments from encroachments of the sea. It is very hard and durable: the most ancient buildings in the vicinity are principally composed of it, and a large quantity has been used for castles, &c. near the banks of the Thames and Medway. This quarry derives its name from the fossil remains, lately found there, of the Iguanodon, by Mr. W. H. Bensted, of this town; which was an enormous lizard or reptile, resembling in figure the Iguana of the West Indies. From the peculiar structure of its teeth, which have been found in a fossil state in great variety, there can be no doubt that vegetables were its principal source of sustenance. It lived in an age when this part of the world was inhabited by monsters of enormous proportions, termed Saurian or Lizard-like.*

* THE MAIDSTONE IGUANODON.—In May, 1834, some workmen employed in a stone-quarry, in the occupation of Messrs. Bensted and Higgins, of Maidstone, observed in a mass of rock which they had blasted, several portions of what they supposed to be petrified wood; they preserved the largest piece for the inspection of Mr. Bensted, who at once perceived that it was a portion of bone belonging to some gigantic animal. He therefore gave directions that every fragment should be collected, and after much labour and research, succeeded in obtaining those pieces, which are now united, and form a specimen of the highest interest; he also cleared away part of the surrounding stone, so as to expose the bones, which I have since completely developed and joined together.

The specimen consists of a considerable number of the bones, composing the inferior portion of the skeleton of an Iguanodon, which, when living, must have been upwards of 60 feet in length. The

There are several manors or estates within this parish which boast of considerable antiquity. The *MOTE*, which is now occupied by the Earl of Romney, was also called the manor of *Shofford* from its having been the property of a family of that name. *GOULDS*, which is situate near to the Mote estate; *JORDANS HALL*, which stood near to Romney-place in Stone-street, *SHALES COURT*, at the Upper end of Stone-street, which at various times was the residence and property of the Pimpes, the Wyatts, and the Wallers of Groombridge; *EAST LANE* (now King-street) which claims over 25 tenements in the same street, and the Middle-row, in High-street; *CHILLINGSTON*, situated in St. Faith-street, which estate presents a rare specimen of the ornamental brick style prevalent in the 16th century. Ancient records inform us that this estate was rendered to the crown in the first reign of Queen Mary, its possessor, George Maplesden, being concerned in the rebellion commenced by Sir Thomas Wyatt. The manor of *BUCKLAND* stands on the western side of the Medway, opposite the town, the proper name being *Bocland*, no doubt derived from the tenure whereby the property is held. *HALFWAY OKE*, or *HALF YOKE*, is near to East Farleigh bridge. This manor was anciently part of the possessions of the eminent family of the Freminghams. *LODDINGTON* is a manor, near Linton, about four miles from Maidstone.

There was anciently a mansion called *BIGONS* or *DIGONS*, which stood in Knight-riding-street.

The parish of Maidstone comprises about 4310 acres, of which 361 are used for the growth of hops. The rental of the parish made agreeably to a recent Act of Parliament, at the full rateable value, is about £73,000. Extensive plantations ornament the town on every side. Great part

bones are imbedded in the stone in a very confused manner, few of them being in their natural order of juxtaposition, and all more or less flattened and distorted. The stone in which the bones are imbedded is of that hard variety of the grey, arenaceous limestone, called Kentish rag, which is much employed in various parts of Kent, and in the west of Sussex, for building and repairing roads.—*Vide Dr. Mantell's Wonders of Geology, a work lately published, to which we would refer for further particulars of the above.*

of the wealth and prosperity of Maidstone has arisen from the hop trade. The hop plant is supposed to have been introduced into these parts about the time of the Reformation, being much earlier than in any other part of this county.

The meadows on the banks of the Medway were frequently exposed to inundation, occasioned by the sudden risings of the stream after heavy rains to the height of several feet; these, however, have, in a great degree, been prevented by deepening the river, and the alterations made in Aylesford bridge, by removing one of the piers and throwing two arches into one. The tide of the Medway flows as high as the lock at Allington, where it is stopped; formerly, however, it used to flow up to Farleigh bridge, and sometimes as high as Barming. An extensive trade is carried on here, which is greatly facilitated by the cheap water carriage afforded by the Medway, the river being navigable up to the town for vessels of 100 tons burthen. Barges, from 50 to 70 tons, which now go through the Thames and Medway canal from Rochester, reach London from Maidstone in 30 hours. At present there are 40 barges, whose tonnage amounts to 2620, connected with the towns, including two barges which trade to Newcastle for coals, carrying oak timber to the north of England, and a sloop is employed in the cheese trade from Holland. The river is also navigable to Tonbridge.

THE MEDWAY,

from Sheerness to Tonbridge, runs forty-four miles, without taking into account its windings, while the rivers and brooks which feed it occupy a surface of nearly thirty miles wide, in the midst of the county, and in the weald. In a picturesque point of view, the Medway presents many interesting specimens of landscape scenery, generally of the rural and quiet description. The valley, which it washes, is peculiarly fertile and beautiful, abounding in verdure, sloping banks, umbrageous trees, villas and farms scattered about in every direction. It is stored with fish of various species; and was in former times much celebrated for its salmon and

sturgeon. These delicious fish have however, in a great measure, left the river.* Near the hamlets of Upper and Lower Tovil, about a mile from Maidstone, the stream, which rises at Langley, having worked a chain of mills, flows into the Medway.—An ancient

STONE BRIDGE,

of five arches, crosses the Medway at the bottom of High-street. It formerly had seven arches, and is supposed to have been first built by some of the Archbishops, lords of the manor. It is kept in repair by the Town.

There are also two other Bridges, which cross the River Len, that runs through the Town into the Medway, viz. one called the Little Bridge, at the bottom of Gabriel's Hill, the other in Mill-street, near the church.

THE HAMLET OF LODDINGTON,

anciently called Lodingford, from the ford over the river at it, is within the parish of Maidstone, although two other parishes (Loose and Linton) intervene. It lies near Stile Bridge, in the road to Marden and Staplehurst, about four miles from Maidstone. It is said, there was once a chapel in it, on a spot now called Glover's Garden, where some stones and foundations were some years ago discovered.

HISTORICAL OCCURRENCES CONNECTED WITH MAIDSTONE.

In 1648, an association of several of the counties of England and Wales was projected, to rescue the King from the power of Parliament. Among these was the county of Kent. The Kentish men proposed first to petition Parliament, representing their grievances; and a petition for that purpose was drawn up and signed at the Sessions held at Canterbury, May 11th, 1648, intitled, "*The humble Petition of the Knights, Gentry Clergy, and Commonalty of the County of Kent.*" This was considered by the opposite party a seditious attempt, and those entrusted with the government of this county used their endeavours to prevent

* Hasted mentions a sturgeon that was caught in July 1774, near Maidstone, weighing 160 lbs.; its full length being seven feet four inches.

the prosecution of it. To accomplish this end, an order was published by the Deputy Lieutenants, made at their general meeting at Maidstone, May 11, 1648, requiring all persons to abstain from signing a similar petition to the above; and the ministers of all parishes to read this their order to their several congregations on the next Lord's-day. This appears to have excited them to prosecute their design, and to provide a sufficient force for their own defence. The gentry took up arms, and formed themselves into a cavalry regiment of about 1000 strong, besides which there were nearly 5 or 6000 foot. They chose for their General, Edward Hales, Esq., and for their Lieutenant-General, Sir Thomas Peyton, Bart. General Fairfax was ordered to oppose this army. The Kentish men, finding themselves disappointed in their expectations of assistance, desired a treaty, but this was not acceded to. After this some skirmishes happened between the two parties, in which the Kentish men fought with courage and resolution. Fairfax, with four regiments of horse and three of foot, and other troops, marched to Eltham, where they remained during the night. Next day they marched through Dartford to attack the Kentish forces, who had barricaded the bridge at Northfleet, and were prepared to defend it with about 600 men. Here General Husbands and his army were overpowered by the superior number of their opponents. Husbands, after this defeat, marched till he came three miles beyond Gravesend, where he received orders to proceed to Malling. Fairfax then, with his whole army, marched to Maidstone; and finding the river but slightly guarded near Farleigh-bridge, proceeded to the town, which he stormed. The streets and houses were lined with Sir John Mayney's and Sir William Brockeman's regiment. Case shot was placed in every street, from which Fairfax and his forces met with such resolute opposition, that they were forced to gain every street inch by inch. The Royalists, being completely overpowered by the numerous reserves that were continually advancing, were compelled to take refuge in the church, and were forced to surrender upon the best terms they could secure for insuring their personal safety. The engagement lasted five hours, and it is said that no action during the civil war was fought with more decided bravery than this.

This defeat completely discouraged the Royalists from succouring the King in his distress, and endeavouring to restore to the kingdom its ancient laws and liberties.

On Friday, Aug. 19, 1763, a violent storm of wind and hail, accompanied by thunder and lightning, spread general desolation over Maidstone and its vicinity. It commenced at sea off the Sussex coast, and, entering this county at Tonbridge Wells, passed over to Sheerness, extending over a tract of about forty miles in length, and from two to four miles in breadth: its direction was nearly from south-west by west, to north-east by east. The fury of this tempest was so great over about 24 parishes, most of which were extremely fertile, that nearly the whole growth of hops, with the fruit in the orchards, was destroyed, and the farmers and labourers deprived of subsistence by the dreadful fatality. Many buildings and houses were blown down, and on one side of the High-street, in the town of Maidstone, not only the glass, but the lead and frames of the windows were broken and driven in by the hail, which beat as loud against the shutters as the strongest blows of a thick club. At Barming Heath, one piece of hail was taken up in the form of an oyster, measuring nine inches in circumference; while others were discovered ten days after the storm. So general a desolation in this county had never been remembered, or related in history; and indeed the calamity would have been almost insupportable had not the generosity of the opulent, and the public in general, relieved the sufferers in some measure from the ruin and misery resulting from this event."

On Wednesday the 7th of August, 1765, at about eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the prisoners in Maidstone gaol, then under sentence of death, were admitted into the hall or kitchen to attend Divine service, which was administered by the Rev. John Denne; during which time Simon Pingano, and Andrew Benevenuto, two Genoese, seized the fire-arms and cutlasses, murdered the keepers, John Stevens and John Fletcher, and made themselves masters of the gaol; after which they cut up part of the lead pump to make slugs, and in the evening the prisoners escaped from the gaol, to the number of about fifteen, all armed; and before military aid could be procured, they proceeded to Tovil, and reached

a wood, which they made their rendezvous, in the hamlet of Plaxtol, commonly called *Rove Wood*. The two Genoese above mentioned were not taken alive, but fought till they fell. When military assistance had arrived, and surrounded the wood, the others were secured; after which a special assize was held, and the remainder of the criminals were executed.

In 1419, John Benet, stone-mason, of Maidstone, was directed by a King's writ to superintend the making of 7,000 stone shot for guns, from the quarries of Maidstone and elsewhere; the workmen to be kept employed during the war, and men impressed for removing the same by land or water.

PERSONS OF NOTE CONNECTED WITH MAIDSTONE.

Walter Maidenstone was Bishop of Worcester in 1317.

Thomas de Maydestone, in 1397, was a canon of the Priory of Leeds, near this place.

William de Maydestone, was sent by King Edward I. to the court of Rome with instruments and expresses, but died on his journey.

Weever, the celebrated Collector of Epitaphs, mentions a monument at Ulcomb, bearing an inscription to the memory of William de Maydestone, who died April 8th, 1429.

Richard Mayster, a native of this town, and Rector of Aldington, near Romney, was hanged at Tyburn in 1534, for encouraging Elizabeth Barton, called the *Holy Maid of Kent*.

William Maydestone was one of the monks of Faversham Abbey in 1637, and was afterwards admitted into the Priory of the Holy Trinity, or Christ Church, Canterbury.

Andrew Broughton was, by an order of the Painted Chamber, dated January 10, 1648, appointed one of the chief clerks of the infamous High Court of Justice against King Charles I. He built a handsome house in Earl-street with the reward he had for the service he rendered in relation to it.

John Jenkins, a celebrated musical composer, was born in this town in 1592. He was the first English composer of trios for two violins and a bass. He died in 1660.

William Woollett, an eminent engraver, was born in King-street, Maidstone, in 1735. The productions of Woollett are very numerous, among which the following may be named: "The death of General Wolf," after West; "The Fishery," after Wright; and "Niobe," after Wilson. He was engraver to Geo. III. and died in 1785, in the 50th year of his age. Woollett was buried in St. Pancras church-yard, London. A splendid cenotaph, by Banks, is erected to his memory, in the cloisters of Westminster Abbey.

William Newton, the collector and eminent publisher of the History and Antiquities of Maidstone (from which work several extracts have been made for this publication) was born in Maidstone, where he followed a secular employment till he was upwards of thirty years of age; but was advised by his friends to take holy orders; when he was presented with the vicarage of West Hythe, and afterwards met with further preferment. He died in 1744.

PERSONS CONNECTED WITH MAIDSTONE WHO SUFFERED
UNDER THE PAPAL TYRANNY.

Edward Walter, of Maidstone, a butler, was burnt in the reign of King Henry VIII. A. D. 1511.

Thomas Hytton, a preacher, of Maidstone, whom the Archbishop of Canterbury, William Warham, and the Bishop of Rochester, kept long in prison, was driven from this town on account of his opinion on religion. He was burnt at Maidstone A. D. 1530 or 31.

Walter Appleby, Petronil Appleby his wife, and the wife of John Manning, together with John Bradbridge, of Staplehurst, Edward Allen, of Frittenden, Catherine his wife, and a blind woman, were all burnt here in the second year of the reign of Queen Mary, June 19, 1554. They were prosecuted by Harpsfield, Archdeacon of Canterbury, Thornton, Suffragan, of Dover, and Sir John Baker, of Sisingherst. Others were burnt on the *Kings Mead*, now called the Meadow.

John Newman, a pewterer, of Maidstone, is said to have been burnt at *Saffron Walden*, in Essex, in 1555.

Patrick Packington and John Denly, inhabitants of Maidstone, were burnt at Uxbridge, August 8, 1555.

William Mynge is said by Mr. Fox to have died in the prison at Maidstone in 1555, having been confined on account of his religion.

BENEFACTIONS TO THE TOWN AND PARISH.

In 1568, William Hewitt, gave four marks a year to the poor of this town for ever.

Sir Henry Cutts, Knt., in 1602, gave £3 per annum to the poor for ever.

Robert Gunsley gave, in 1618, to this town, one moiety of the rents and revenue of the Rectory of Brode Hempstone, in Devonshire, to be laid out annually in bread and clothes for the poor.

In 1670, Alexander Fisher gave £38 per annum to the Corporation, to be employed in apprenticing freemen's sons to trades, yearly, and £2 each to four poor widows during life. *

Robert Rowland, a native of this town, and citizen, armourer and brazier, of London, gave, in 1699, to the parish-church an elegant branch or sconce of brass, and by his last will, in 1707, bequeathed £120 to the Corporation, to be lent to twelve young men out of their time, each to receive £10 to forward them in business, for which they were to pay 6s. 8d. per annum interest, amounting in the whole to £4, which sum he ordered to be annually disposed of in the following manner:—

To the Minister of Maidstone, for preaching a sermon every year on February 1st, by candle light.....	£.	s.	d.
Reader	1	0	0
Clerk	0	2	6
Candles to fill the branch	0	2	6
To the poor under the Cliff, upon the bridge and over the bridge; near which he was born	0	3	0
To the Churchwardens for their trouble.....	2	0	0
	0	12	0
	£	4	0

* This property, being invested in lands and tenements, has greatly increased in value; 40 poor widows now receive 50s. each per annum, payable quarterly; and four poor boys have been apprenticed annually at £15 each.

Sir John Astley, Knt. gave a large silver flaggon to the parish for the communion service, in the reign of Charles I.

In 1642, Elizabeth Mason gave a part of two messuages or houses, for and towards the maintenance of two maidens or widows during life.

Sir John Banks, Bart., of this town, in 1700, ordered six brick alms-houses to be erected, and endowed them with a yearly revenue of £60.

In 1711, Dr. Josiah Woodward built two charity schools, to which many legacies have been left.

Thomas Bliss, Esq., in 1720, built a workhouse for the poor of this town and parish.

John Bell, Esq., gave £10, the interest thereof to be laid out in bread for the poor, yearly, on Christmas-day.

An unknown person gave a silver plate for collecting the offerings at the Holy Communion.

In 1734, Nicholas Toke, Esq. gave a large silver flaggon for the use of the Holy Communion.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blechenden also gave in this year a silver dish for the same use.

In 1775, Mrs. Eleanor Rose, in her life-time, gave 50*l.*, and at her death the interest of £50 to the poor for ever.

In 1787, William Gill, Esq., a native of this town, and late Alderman of London, in his life-time, gave the interest of £540, 4 per cent. to 20 poor householders, parishioners, not receiving alms, £1 1*s.* each every Christmas-day, and the remainder to the parish clerk.

In 1789, John Brenchley, Esq. built four almshouses, and endowed them, £12 per annum.

In 1795, Sir Charles Booth, Knt., gave, for ever, the interest of £2,000, for the education of poor boys and girls, inhabitants of or near this parish; also £100, to be disposed of by the minister and churchwardens within three months after his decease.

In 1800, Robert Pope, Esq. gave by will £40 to be disposed of by his executors and churchwardens of the parish.

In 1802, Flint Stacey, Esq. gave £50 to the Sunday schools.

In 1805, Mrs. Ann Wright, of Dulwich, in Surrey, in her lifetime gave the interest of £1,100, 3 per cent. reduced annuities, to 30 poor widows and single women, parishioners, not having received alms, £1. 1s. each on Christmas-day, and the remainder to the parish clerk.

1714. Sir Robert Marsham, Bart. (who was then M. P. for Maidstone) at his own expense, built the gallery at the north side of the church.

1747. Mrs. Frances Callant gave two silver plates, for the use of the Communion.

1792. Mr. George Launder expended upwards of 100*l.* towards the improvement of the organ.

1807. Mrs. Punnett gave 20*l.* to the Sunday Schools.

1808. Mr. John Green gave 100*l.* to the Sunday Schools.

1809. Peter Pope, Esq. gave 100*l.* new 5 per cent. Bank Ann., the interest to be laid out in bread for the poor, at the discretion of the churchwardens and overseers.

TO THE BLUE-COAT SCHOOLS.

1721. Mrs. M. Godden gave two acres of land, at Bearsted Spot, (which is now leased to Mr. Edward Wise at £15 15s. per annum.)

1764 Mrs. Bye £300, in Old South Sea Ann.

1770. Mr. S. Fullager, £500, in New South Sea Annuities.

1774. Mrs. Thatcher £100, in 3 per cent. reduced.

— Mrs. Rose £100, in 3 per cent. reduced.

1712. Mrs. S. Hatley ..	£10	0	1742. Mrs. Johnson	£5	5
1714. Mrs. Eliz. Innes..	10	0	1747. Mrs. Viner.....	10	0
1717. Mr. J. Bassock ..	2	10	1757. Mr. G. Hunter....	20	0
1721. Mrs. G. Oare	5	0	1764. Mr. Dorrington ..	100	0
From persons unknown	33	15	1786. Mr. E. Fullager..	500	0
1724. Mrs. M. Henslow	10	0	1791. J. Brenchley, Esq.	500	0
1725. Mrs. Johnson....	50	0	1800. Mr. R. Pope.....	20	0
1726. Mrs. M. Browne..	5	0	1802. Mr. F. Stacey	50	0
1727. Mrs. Judith Azire	10	10	1802. Mrs. Seers, in Old		
— Rev. A. Harris....	5	5	South Sea Ann... 300	0	
1733. Mr. J. Dadson ..	20	0	1808. Mrs. A. Punnett ..	20	0
1735. Lady Taylor	50	0	1809. John Green, Esq.	100	0
1738. Mr. J. Barrington	50	0	1816. Mrs. Read.....	20	0

TO THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS.

1817. John King, Esq. gave the half-part of an Ashford Turnpike Bond, for £100, at 5 per cent. to the National Schools.

1824. Mrs. Catharine Cullen left £300 to the National Schools.

1826. T. R. Hollingworth, Esq. gave £50 to the National Schools.

1834. George West, esq. left £50 for the Blue-Coat and £50 for the National Schools. The duty thereon was paid by the executor, Mr. A. Randall.

 THE BISHOP'S PALACE

is an ancient edifice, situated near the church of All Saints ; the re-building of which was commenced by Archbishop Ufford in 1348, and finished by Simon Islip, with the materials of an old palace which stood at Wrotham. In the 5th of Richard II. 1381, Archbishop Courtney made many important improvements in this structure: he died in 1396. The palace afterwards became the residence of the succeeding primates. In the time of Archbishop Chichely, Henry VI. honoured this edifice with his presence, as we discover by his writs, bearing date March 21, 1438. In the 31st year of the above reign, Archbishop John Stafford died here. In 1486, Archbishop Morton repaired and beautified the building, which suffered no alteration till Archbishop Cranmer exchanged it with Henry VIII., who in 1542 granted this estate to Sir Thomas Wyatt, of Allington Castle. On his son's attainder the palace and estate were confiscated to the crown, when Queen Elizabeth granted them to Sir John Astley. He died in 1639. Sir Jacob Astley was owner of this estate till the 6th of George I. 1720, when the property was alienated to Sir Robert Marsham, Bart. Charles, Lord Romney, afterwards possessed it. The present Earl of Romney is now owner of the palace, and also lord of the manor. It is the residence of the Lady Frances Riddell.

THE COLLEGE,

which is situated near the south side of the church of All Saints, appears to have been founded by Archbishop Courtney in 1391. John Wotton was the first warden. William Grocyn, a friend of the celebrated Erasmus, was, in 1507, the sixth master. The gatehouse still remains, and presents a beautiful specimen of Gothic Architecture.

It is used as a private dwelling, and belongs to the Earl of Romney. Wotton and Grocyn lie in the collegiate church. It is now occupied by Philip Corral, Esq.

FRATERNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

was founded by several inhabitants of the town about A. D. 1330, and is situated at the bottom of Earl-street. The chapel and three sides of the cloister are still remaining.

It appears, from a MS. that was preserved among the archives of this town, which contains the accounts of this Brotherhood in the years 1480 and 1481, that besides the members of it residing in the above house, they admitted extra members into their fraternity, both men and women, to the number of 120 persons and upwards. They all paid an annual sum, for the most part 1s. 6d. or 2s. each; but those of a higher rank contributed more, as 3s. 4d. 6s. 8d. and the like. Besides which they had several gifts and legacies, and an estate both in lands and houses; out of which was maintained the fraternity, who dwelt in the mansion of it, and followed the rule of St. Benedict in many particulars, and their chaplain, who was allowed £6 13s. 4d. annual wages. In their own chapel it was their custom to celebrate solemn dirges and masses on the death of any of the brothers or sisters belonging to it, which brought them in no inconsiderable profit; besides which, they maintained out of their revenues one priest, to celebrate within the church of All Saints. In the reign of Edward VI. the Hall, with other property, was purchased of the Crown by the corporation of Maidstone, for the purpose of converting it into a Free Grammar School.

ST. FAITH'S CHURCH.

Some remains of this building may be traced in a dwelling-house, situated on St. Faith's-green. The period of its erection and founder are unknown. It appears to have been used as a place of worship by the Walloons, who settled in Maidstone in the time of Elizabeth. In 1700, the church was used as a meeting-house for English Presbyterians. Several human skeletons have, at various times, been dug up near the site of this ancient fabric. It is now converted into a ladies' boarding-school.

FRANCISCAN MONASTERY.

Under the house occupied by Mr. Peskett, at the corner of Gabriel's Hill and King-street, is a singular chamber, bearing vestiges of considerable antiquity. It is supposed to have been the site of a monastery for Franciscan or Grey Friars. Anciently this house was called the PRIORY or FRIÆRY.

The parish Church of Maidstone, which is dedicated to

ALL SAINTS,

is situated on the east bank of the river Medway, and is a large and handsome structure; erected in the latter part of the fourteenth century; possessing a nave, with side aisles, 99 feet long by 92 feet 6 inches wide between the walls, and a noble chancel, which has also side aisles, and is 65 feet in length and 60 feet 9 inches in width. At the south-west angle is a handsome square tower, on which was formerly a spire, said to be 80 feet in height; this spire was destroyed by lightning in 1730, and has not since been rebuilt. The tower contains a peal of 10 bells; the largest is said to weigh 3362 lbs.

The effect of the interior, when viewed from the east end, is very fine, although shorn of much of its original beauty by the modern plaster ceilings and cornices, and the universal white-wash that prevails throughout the building.—The nave is surrounded on three sides with galleries, one division of which was built by Sir Robert Marsham, Bart., (afterwards Lord Romney), then one of the members for the town.

On the sides of the chancel the original stalls for the master and brethren of the college are still remaining. The seats of these stalls, when turned up, display a variety of carved ornaments; some of the figures being very grotesque. The communion table is enclosed on the north and south sides by screens of very beautiful gothic workmanship; and the original stone seats are remaining on the south side. Over the communion table is a fine painting of the Lord's Supper, by Mr. William Jefferys, a native of this town. Surrounding this painting is a piece of modern

Italian architecture, well executed in wood, but being entirely out of all character with the church, and the beautiful screens that enclose the communion table in the sides, and concealing the lower part of the east windows, is altogether a sad blemish to this interesting part of the church.

There are many ancient and some beautiful monuments in different parts of the church, for a more particular account of which we refer our readers to the "History and Antiquities of Maidstone," published by Wm. Newton in 1741.

This church appears to have been originally dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

In 1395, in the 19th year of Richard II. Archbishop Courtney obtained a license to build a college here, and to convert the church of St. Mary into a collegiate church, on doing which he dedicated it to All Saints. Some historians suppose that only a portion of the church was erected by that Archbishop, as he died shortly after the building was commenced.

The remains of Archbishop Courtney were supposed to have been interred near those of Edward the Black Prince, in Canterbury Cathedral, although a cenotaph was erected to his memory in the great chancel of this church. * This point was finally set at rest about 39 years since, when several gentlemen obtained permission to open the tomb, among whom were the Rev. Messrs. Denne, Cherry, and Reeve. After removing the stone, at the depth of six feet, the skeleton of the devout prelate was found. It measured nearly six feet; the teeth were entire, but soon crumbled when exposed to the air. It appeared that he had been interred in his robes, and without a coffin, agreeable to the instructions contained in his own will.

In the Vestry Room of this church is a

PAROCHIAL LIBRARY,

in which are many excellent and scarce works. The valuable collection of books which belonged to Dr. Thomas Bray, perpetual curate of St. Botolph's, Aldgate, was purchased by subscription, in 1735, for the sum of £50, according to a provision in his will, and added to this library.

* Rowles's History of Maidstone.

Any respectable inhabitant can obtain admittance to the library by making application to the Minister or Clerk. In 1810, the Library was re-arranged, and the present catalogue written by the Rev. Robt. Finch, the curate; when it was found that the volumes missing and decayed amounted to about 100. The number left was 710. Among the books missing were two copies of Bishop Walton's Polyglot Bible (one of which was presented to the Library by the Corporation), Calvin's works, and many valuable Theological Commentaries. There is still remaining a folio MS. Latin Bible, many of the leaves of which have been sadly mutilated and all the illuminations cut out.

TRINITY CHURCH

is situated a short distance to the north of King-street. The first stone of this building was laid by the Rev. James Reeve on the 26th Sept. 1826; and it was consecrated by the Archbishop of Canterbury October 29, 1828. It contains sittings for 1,840 persons, of which 1,130 are free. The designs, approved by his Majesty's Commissioners, were prepared by Mr. Whichcord, of this town; and the works executed under his superintendance. The total cost, including purchase of land, roads, and fences, and the organ and other fittings, amounted to £13,079, of which £5,221 was raised by voluntary contributions, and the sale of some land belonging to the parish on Barming Heath; the remainder by a grant from the Commissioners for Building New Churches.

The architecture is of a plain Grecian Doric character; the western front projects and contains three doors, with a pannel over each, placed between Doric pilasters, surmounted by a plain entablature and pediment, and arranged to admit of a bold portico being added, whenever sufficient funds can be raised for the purpose. The addition of a portico would much improve the general effect of the church. Over the pediment a square tower rises, with a circular headed window between coupled pilasters in each face, supporting a lofty stone spire, of an octagon figure, rising from a square base, and terminated by a cross. The height from the ground to the top of the cross is 135 feet. The flank walls are plainly finished, with two ranges of windows, a cornice, and parapet.

The eastern end with pilasters and a pediment. The whole of the exterior is of stone, principally from the neighbouring lime-stone quarries. The church is enclosed with an iron railing, and within the enclosure lime trees have been planted, which in a few years will add much to the beauty of the situation.

The interior is in a neat and plain style, with galleries on three sides, supported by cast-iron Doric columns; the ceiling level and divided into panels; the east end recessed and decorated with lofty Ionic fluted pilasters. An excellent organ, built by Bishop, is placed in the western gallery. The interior dimensions are 96 feet long (exclusive of recess at east end) 64 feet 9 inches wide and 32 feet high.—The officiating minister (the Rev. H. I. Parker) is paid by the rents of the sittings. The presentation is vested in the Incumbent.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL.

An hospital for pilgrims, called NEWARK, dedicated to St. Peter, St. Paul, and St. Thomas-a-Becket, was founded by Boniface, Archbishop of Canterbury, about the middle of the 13th century, on the western side of the Medway, in that part of the town now called the West Borough.

It appears to have been afterwards incorporated with the college, and dissolved with it at the Reformation. For many years past, scarcely any traces of it remained, except the dilapidated shell of the chapel, which was an object of interest to the architect and antiquary, as presenting a rare and beautiful specimen of the first species of the pointed style, without any admixture of subsequent varieties.*

* The old chapel was only 59-6 long, 25-1 wide, and 33-0 high from floor to ceiling, built in the chaste and effective early pointed style, with narrow lancet windows, plain on the outside but deeply recessed and moulded on the inside, with columns resting on a string running round the building. The timbers of the roof were seen, but from some remains they appear to have been lined with wood; most probably in former days richly painted. In the south wall close to the east end are four deeply recessed niches, usually found in that situation, but whose use is not very certain, excepting one which is a *priscina*. Farther down near the old entrance door, now blanked on the inside, is a plain stoup. In the north wall is a sepulchre or closet.

In 1836, the attention of the Rev. F. F. Haslewood, the curate of the parish, was drawn to this building, as affording a means of supplying church accommodation to the inhabitants of the West Borough, which contained no place of worship. Having obtained the sanction of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Incumbent of the parish, and being aided by a subscription of upwards of £1,000, he restored the building, and enlarged it by the addition of a transept, so as to contain 664 sittings, 100 of which are free and unappropriated. The total cost amounted to about £3,000.

The Chapel was opened for Divine service in July 1837. The restoration and enlargement have been executed with great taste and spirit, from the designs and under the superintendence of Mr. Whichcord, architect, of this town; and the interior, by its architectural beauty, might serve as a model and an encouragement in pursuing a similar course with other decayed ecclesiastical buildings.

The East end is enriched by an altar-piece in composition, executed by Messrs. Bow, of this town. It consists of three principal and two small arches, supported by imitation Petworth marble columns and brackets, the arches terminating with open pediments and finials. Within these, three panels are formed by columns, and trefoil-headed arches, with deep mouldings, surrounded by an enriched band. The east windows are ornamented with strips of stained glass. The ceiling is divided into panels, and in cants springing from a moulded wall plate.

The present minister is the Rev. G. Davey.

THE TOWN HALL

is situated in the High-street, opposite to the Mitre Tavern and the Kent Fire and Life-office. It was built in 1764, at the joint expense of the corporation and the county, the assizes and quarter-sessions for the western division being then held there; but since the new sessions-house has been erected, the county have only used it for one of the polling-places at an election for members of Parliament, and the declaration of the poll at the close. The lower part of the Hall has been fitted up for the judicial business of the town, where the Justices hold their petty

sessions on Tuesdays and Fridays. The upper room is appropriated to the use of the corporation. The quarter-sessions for the town are also held here, and the Commissioners of the Pavement use it for their meetings.—Formerly there was a prison adjoining the building, called the Brambles, where the prisoners were confined; but in 1807 a gaol was erected at the back of the work-house. The prisoners are now committed to the county prison, the corporation paying the county for their maintenance.—On the top of the Hall is a cupola, supported by six columns of the Ionic order; under which is the bell, which used to be rung when fish were brought to market. Lately this custom (although found very useful to the inhabitants) has been discontinued. The bell also answers for the town clock, the dial of which projects over the High-street. The clock has this year undergone very considerable repair and has been new faced.

The upper part of the Hall is also used as a *Sunday School*, where about 100 Girls are instructed in the principles of the Established Church.

The Savings' Bank is held at the Town Hall, High-street, and was established in 1822. The rate of interest allowed per annum is £3 6s. 8d. The bank is open for receiving deposits, &c. every Wednesday evening from 7 till 8 o'clock, and on Saturday from 6 till 8.

THE MARKETS.

In the year 1824, it was resolved by the corporation to concentrate the corn, fish, butchers', and vegetable markets in one place, which had previously been held in very insufficient buildings in different parts of the town; for this purpose an extensive property, consisting of the Mitre Inn and some adjoining houses and land, were purchased and taken down, and the present Markets and Mitre Inn erected on the site thereof. The Kent Fire-office, whose property adjoined, having determined to re-build their offices at the same time, and the same architect being employed to re-build both, he was enabled to produce the present elegant and uniform elevation to the High-street, which is so great an ornament to the town.

CORN EXCHANGE.

The new market not being enclosed, and still considered unfit for the transaction of the extensive business of the dealers in corn, in 1835 it was resolved by some spirited inhabitants of the town and gentlemen attending the markets, to build a new corn-exchange; for which purpose a lease was obtained of the tolls, and of a proper site from the corporation; and the money being raised in shares the present elegant and spacious room, 90 feet long (exclusive of a large gallery), 42 feet wide, and 30 feet high, was erected at an expense of upwards of £4,000, and was opened for the transaction of business on the 1st October, in the same year. This room is also found of great advantage to the town for other purposes, being admirably calculated for musical and other exhibitions requiring great space, and having very convenient retiring rooms attached to the great room.

DISSENTING CHAPELS.

BAPTIST CHAPEL,

in King-street, was erected in 1822, on a piece of ground on which the Debtors' Gaol had formerly stood. It is a plain, substantial, brick edifice, fifty-eight feet in length and thirty-eight in width, having annexed school-rooms and a vestry. The pews and free sittings were constructed for the accommodation of 600 persons. Several benevolent societies are supported by its attendants; one for the visitation of the cottages in the district in which it stands on the plan of the Christian Instruction Society; one for the relief of the sick poor; one for the support of its Sabbath schools, in which about 200 children are instructed, and one in connexion with the Independent Congregation in Week-street, for the daily education of boys and girls in the *British Schools*. The Rev. William Groser is pastor.

INDEPENDENT CHAPEL,

situated in Week-street, was re-built by public subscription in 1822, at an expense of about £1,800, and will accommodate 700 persons. School-rooms have been erected behind the chapel, in which about 200 children are taught. The

present minister, the Rev. E. Jinkings, who has been 21 years in Maidstone, resides in a house near the chapel.

THE WESLEYAN CHAPEL

stands in Union-street, and was built near the site of the old chapel, in 1823. It is a neat building, capable of accommodating 1,200 persons, and is supplied by ministers once in two years, appointed by the Wesleyan Conference. The Sunday School contains about 300 children. There is also a Tract Society connected with this chapel. The minister's residence is in Brewer-street, adjoining the burial-ground.

BETHEL CHAPEL,

situate in Union-street, was erected in 1834, for the use of the General Baptists, at an expense of about £1,100. The interior is neat, and measures 48 feet by 38. There is a Sunday School attached, containing at present 80 children.

ZION CHAPEL,

in Brewer-street, was built in 1831, by Mr. James Steer, of this town, at an expense of £1,000 and upwards, and enlarged by him at an extra cost of £600 in 1832. In this chapel there are seats for about 700 persons, out of which 100 are free. The interior is particularly neat and measures 74 feet by 32. It was opened by the Particular Baptists in 1832, but is now rented by the Lady Huntingdon's Connexion. Divine service is held twice on the Sabbath, morning and evening, also on Tuesday evenings.

PROVIDENCE CHAPEL,

for the use of the Particular Baptists, stands in Mote-road, was erected in 1820, at a cost of about £700, and enlarged in 1828, at an extra cost of £300. The chapel is calculated to hold 400 persons, and is under the pastoral care of the Rev. William Leader. The structure is plain, but neat, and measures 40 feet square. Divine service is held three times on Sundays. Prayer meetings are held on Monday evenings, and lectures on Wednesday evenings.

THE PRESBYTERIAN,

or Unitarian, Chapel was built in 1736. It is situate in Market Buildings, Earl-street. It will accommodate about

400 persons. The present minister, the Rev. William Stevens, was appointed in the year 1828. Divine service is held only on the Sunday morning and evening. Attached is a Sunday School and a Library.

THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

have also a place of worship, situated in Wheeler-street, which will seat nearly 300 persons.

SCHOOLS.

THE ENDOWED GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

in Earl-street, appears to have been originally the house of Corpus Christi. It was purchased of the Crown by the Corporation of Maidstone, and converted by them into a Free Grammar School, in the reign of Edward VI.; since which Robert Gunsley gave the rectory of Flamstead, in Hertfordshire, to University College, Oxford, for the purpose of founding two scholarships for this school. Each scholar has a chamber, and £15 each per annum. Several legacies have also been left towards the expenses of the masters.—Amongst the eminent men educated at this school, were Dr. Horne, late Bishop of Norwich, and Fiennes Pett, late Archdeacon of Oxford.—The Rev. Thomas Harrison, M. A. is now the Head Master.

MAIDSTONE PROPRIETARY SCHOOL

was instituted April 30, 1827. This building is situated in Church-street. The school-rooms are commodious, and connected with them is a large room for the meetings of the committee, &c.; behind which is an extensive play-ground. Every shareholder, on paying to the treasurer the annual sum of £10 10s., has the privilege to nominate and introduce into the school a pupil for each share he holds, which sum includes the use of books, maps, globes, &c. No pupil can be nominated under six years of age. The committee have power to admit any pupils they may think proper, when the number of scholars is less than 100, on an additional sum of £2 2s. being paid for each such pupil, subject to the same regulations as the annual sum of £10 10s. The school has risen in character and celebrity. The Rev. T. S. Green, M. A. is the Head Master

BLUE-COAT SCHOOL,

situate in School-court, High-street, was founded in 1711, by the Rev. Dr. Woodward, and has since been supported by legacies, subscriptions, and benefactions. The greatest part of the legacies are invested in the funds and other securities, in the names of the Rev. James Reeve, the Earl of Romney, and other principal inhabitants. The children are elected annually at a general meeting of subscribers, in the month of May. The parents of the children are required to be parishioners, and of sober and industrious habits. The boys are admitted at 11, and the girls from 8 to 9, and clothed for three years. The boys are taught reading, writing, and arithmetic; the girls reading, knitting, sewing, and marking. They are instructed in the principles of the Christian religion according to the worship of the Established Church, and supplied with all necessary books from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.—*For a List of Donors to this School, see page 14.*

Acting Trustees—The Rev. James Reeve (Treasurer), P. Corrall, Esq., W. Beale, Esq., C. Topping, Esq., J. Mares, Esq., R. Tassell, Esq., and Mr. James Potter.

SIR CHARLES BOOTH'S SCHOOL,

in Brewer-street, was founded by the late Sir Charles Booth, of Stede Hill, in this county, who left by his will, in 1791, 2,000 *l.*, which produced 3,000 *l.* in 3 per cents. Consols, and since increased to 3,300 *l.* The interest amounts to 100 *l.* The present number of boys is 55, who are instructed in reading, writing, and arithmetic. The school is under the management of three trustees, W. Baldwin, Esq., the Rev. James Reeve, and Mr. John Springett.—Mr. Gandy is master, and Mrs. Davis mistress.

THE NATIONAL SCHOOL

is situated opposite the church of All Saints. It appears to have been originally a Sunday and Spinning School, instituted in 1787, and in 1814 formed into a National School, for educating the children of the poor in the principles of the Established Church. At this school about 240 boys and 100 girls are instructed in reading, writing and arithmetic. The institution is under the direction of the Rev. James Reeve,

the Treasurer, and a Committee, of 24 Gentlemen, and 12 Ladies, who are elected at the annual meeting of subscribers. There are six monitors selected, who are clothed at Christmas; also, six assistant monitors, to whom shoes and stockings are given; stockings are likewise given to the most deserving once a year.—Upwards of 3,400 children have received instruction since the year 1814; and from the great increase of applicants, the school rooms have been enlarged, at a considerable expense. It is now capable of holding 350 boys and nearly 200 girls.—Mr. John Greenleaf is master, and Mrs. Martin, mistress.—*For List of Donors, see page 15.*

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN SCHOOL

was established in 1812, and is situated in Wheeler-street. It is a commodious building, measuring 60 feet by 30, in which 200 boys are taught reading, writing, and arithmetic; geography, mapping, and Bible history, on the British system. Since the period of its formation, upwards of 2500 children have been admitted. The school is under the management of a committee of 12 gentlemen, who are chosen annually from various chapels. Mr. Josiah Woodcock is master.

There is also an establishment connected with the above for educating girls on the British system, on St. Faith's-green.

THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTION,

for Maidstone and its vicinity, held at the British School-room, Wheeler-street, from 7 till 10 o'clock every evening, was established in 1836 for the promotion of useful knowledge among the working classes and others. The Library at present contains about 1,500 volumes, consisting of books of travels, history, and works on Mechanics, Natural and Experimental Philosophy, &c. Lectures are given at intervals on all subjects, except religion and politics.

THE LITERARY INSTITUTION

was established in 1831. The property of the institution belongs to shareholders, their numbers being about 100, who on payment of £5 5s., with an additional subscription of £1 11s. 6d. per annum, are entitled to peruse books and periodicals, newspapers, &c. Subscribers paying a

subscription of £2 2s. per annum are entitled to receive books out for a limited period, with the privilege of perusing newspapers and periodicals at the reading-room. The Library comprises upwards of 2,000 volumes of standard works of science, history, and the belles-lettres, which is continually being augmented by the addition of new books. Subscribers to the Library only, are admitted by payment of one guinea entrance, and £1 6s. per annum. Officers of the army on duty at Maidstone, and Barristers on the Home Circuit, are admitted as subscribers, without the payment of any entrance-fee.—Subscribers are entitled to introduce a friend not residing within seven miles of Maidstone.—The rooms are at the house of Mr. John Smith, bookseller, Week-street, who is the Librarian.

MAIDSTONE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY,

established in 1824, is held at the Corn Exchange. There are three exhibitions of fruit, flowers, and vegetables during the year, when prizes are awarded both to subscribers and cottagers. The affairs of the society are intrusted to the care of a committee of twelve gentlemen, chosen annually on the last show-day. The annual subscription of 10s. constitutes a member, and a donation of £6, a member for life. Each member has a vote on any question connected with the affairs of the society, and entitled to two tickets of admission on the shew-day. Ladies, being members, may vote by proxy, in writing.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The object of this society is to dispense charitable assistance to persons in indigent circumstances. Applicants must be furnished with subscribers' recommendatory tickets; and if deemed fit objects for the charity are relieved according to their necessities. The affairs of the society are managed by a Treasurer, Secretaries, and a Committee of ladies and gentlemen, who visit the objects previous to dispensing the charity.

CHILD-BED LINEN SOCIETY,

for the purpose of supplying poor married women with a Box of Linen for themselves and infant during the month;

at the expiration of which, if returned in good order, a bundle of clothes is given for the infant, and during the winter months a bushel of Coals is also given.—A six-shilling ticket entitles a subscriber to a recommendation.

Miss M. Burr, is Treasurer.—Subscriptions received by Mr, Smith, at the Library, Week-street.

Sutton Deanery District Society, for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge. Treasurer—J. Mares, Esq. Secretaries—the Rev. T. Harrison and Rev. R. Cobb. Depository for Books at Mr. Smith's Library, Week-street.

A District Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Secretaries and Treasurers—the Rev. T. Harrison and Rev. R. Cobb.

The Kent Auxiliary Bible Society, instituted in 1812, is held in Maidstone. The Right Hon. Lord Barham, President. There is likewise a Ladies' and Gentlemen's Bible Association for the circulation of the Scriptures.

WEST KENT INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.

This Institution forms the most important charity in the town, and is an instance of the beneficial results of the zeal and united purpose of a few benevolent individuals. Previous to the year 1830, there was no public establishment to which the poor might resort for aid in times of sickness. In that year a public meeting was called of those who were friendly to the establishment of a Dispensary, provisional rules were adopted, and a small house hired where the indigent sick might receive medical and surgical assistance. Two physicians and two surgeons were appointed, whose services were gratuitous, and an apothecary engaged to reside on the premises. Public support having been liberally bestowed, the managers at the end of a year found a surplus fund; and in their first report, expressed a hope, "at no very distant time to supply three or four beds, with the necessary accommodations for the reception of urgent medical cases, or of those patients who might re-

quire serious surgical operations." In 1832, the committee devoted their earnest attention to this subject; plans of a proposed building were prepared and submitted to a general meeting of the governors; donations to the building fund were solicited, and collections made in the churches and chapels of the town and neighbourhood. In the autumn of that year, a public building was erected not far distant from Trinity Church, at a cost of upwards of £1,700, containing four spacious and airy wards, physicians and surgeons' rooms, dispensary, operating room, and other suitable offices, adapted for the reception of 24 in-patients at one time. In April 1833, new rules and regulations were adopted for the government of the institution, and on the 24th of June *The West Kent Infirmary and Dispensary* was opened, and arrangements made for the constant accommodation of six in-patients, and for the relief of an unlimited number of out-patients. This event was almost immediately followed by a heavy loss sustained by the Institution in the death of Dr. Smith, to whose exertions the charity was mainly indebted for its origin. Honorable mention is made of this eminent physician in the records of the Institution. An anxiety to increase the number of beds and to afford accommodation to a greater number of in-patients gave rise to a Fancy Bazaar and Public Ball, at the County Assembly-rooms, which originated with the ladies; by whose zeal and personal exertions upwards of £700 was received, and an additional ward furnished. By a system of continued perseverance, the committee have realized more than the most sanguine supporters of the charity could have hoped. At this time 24 in-patients are admissible at the same time; and the last annual report shews that the number of patients on the Institution, from its commencement in April 1830 to the end of the year 1837, amounted to 8936. Considerable importance is attached to the facility for *Vaccination* afforded by the charity, and to the supply of *Trusses*.

An annual subscription of two guineas entitles a governor to recommend one in-patient during the year, and a donation of 20 guineas constitutes a life-governor, with the same privilege. An annual subscription of one guinea entitles a governor to have one out-patient constantly on the

books, and a donation of 10 guineas constitutes a life-governor, with the same privilege.

The officers of the Institution consist of a Patron, the Earl of Romney—President, the Lord Viscount Marsham—Vice-presidents, Trustees, Treasurers, Committee, two Physicians, and two Surgeons (whose services are gratuitous), House-surgeon and Matron.—*For a List of the Officers see Directory.*

THE COUNTY GAOL AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION

is situated at the north-west end of Week-street, and encloses within its boundary wall near 14 acres of land. The buildings are very substantial and perfectly fire-proof, being constructed entirely of brick, (faced with Kentish rag stone,) stone, and iron. The keeper's apartments are situated near the centre, with the chapel over them, and a perfect view of the yards surrounding the said apartments is obtained from his windows. Three separate turnkey's houses form the centre of as many divisions of this immense establishment, from the windows of which the turnkeys have a perfect view of every thing passing in the several yards under their charge.

The common gaol for males consists of eleven classes, containing 17 wards or divisions. Three of the largest wards have two day-rooms each; the remainder have one day-room each; and to every ward a spacious airing-yard is attached. The house of correction for males consists of five classes, containing 12 wards, to each of which a day-room and spacious airing-yard are attached; there is also a large work-room, in which the manufactory of hop-bagging, sack-making, &c. is carried on. The tread-mill in this department has eight separate wheels, at which upwards of 100 prisoners may be employed.

The common gaol for females consists of four classes, and the house of correction for females contains three classes; to each of which a separate day-room and airing-yard are attached. The female prison forms a distinct building, enclosed by its own boundary-wall. It is placed under the charge of a matron, two female turnkeys, and a female porter. Women committed as vagrants are set to

work at the tread-wheel, in a separate department from the men, and under the close inspection of a female.—There is an excellent hospital for the sick, who are daily attended by the surgeon.

Silence is at all times strictly enforced, particularly with prisoners when at work, as well on the tread-wheels as in the manufactory. Solitary confinement is the only punishment which is resorted to for offences within the prison. The means adopted to secure the moral and religious instruction of the prisoners, consist in the performance of divine service and two sermons on Sundays, (morning and evening); prayers every morning. A schoolmaster is regularly engaged to instruct both the juvenile and adult prisoners; he is under the direction and control of the chaplain; who frequently visits all the wards, and catechises such of the prisoners as are willing to attend. The chaplain also superintends to the religious instruction of the females.

This building was began in the year 1810, and opened for prisoners in 1819. The architect, D. Alexander, Esq.

Relations of prisoners before trial may see them between 12 and 2 o'clock, except Sundays. After conviction, an order must be obtained from a county magistrate.

Visitors to view the prisons must obtain an order from a county magistrate. Admitted from 10 till 4, except on Sundays.

In front of the prison there have been since erected spacious

COURT HOUSES,

for the transaction of the county business, from the designs of Sir Robert Smirke, at a further expense of £40,000, comprising every convenience necessary to the carrying on the extensive business of the sessions and assizes of this important county, and presenting a plain but very imposing appearance from the great extent of the elevation, and seen as it is in connection with the gaol.

THE KENT COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM

was erected for the reception of pauper lunatics, under the provisions of the 9th Geo. 4, c. 40, and is situated on Barming Heath, about two miles from Maidstone, on the

Tonbridge road. The site is decidedly one of the best that could have been selected, being nearly in the centre of the county, and on the top of one of the lime-stone ridges with which this part of the county abounds, at an elevation of about 250 feet above the level of the Medway. The view from this spot is most beautiful, commanding the vale of the Medway for some miles, and looking over what is not inaptly called "the Garden of Kent." Nearly 14 acres of land are enclosed with walls and formed into gardens and airing-yards, in which the patients walk and some are employed. The remainder of the land, above 20 acres, is used for farming purposes; the labour being done by the patients.

This asylum was built from the plans and under the superintendence of Mr. Whichcord, the county surveyor, and is considered one of the most complete works of the kind that have been hitherto erected. The principal front faces the south and is 300 feet in length; the centre and ends projecting and returning at each extremity of the front to form other wards to the distance of about 90 feet back from the front.

The centre contains the superintendent's and matron's apartments, committee-room, &c., the lodging-rooms for part of the servants of the establishment; and the buildings right and left of the centre are the galleries and wards for the patients, divided into 12 classes, 6 of each sex. The keepers' apartments are placed in the angles of the building so as to command a perfect view of two galleries from each room. The six principal galleries facing the south are each 96 feet long by 10 feet wide and 11 feet high. In the rear of the centre building the domestic offices are placed. The warming and ventilating of the buildings, the baths, and the cooking and washing apparatus, were all executed under the directions of Mr. Sylvester.

The buildings were originally constructed to receive 168 patients; lately detached Infirmaries have been built, increasing the total accommodation to nearly 200: but this, it is feared, will still be insufficient to receive all the *pauper* lunatics of the county. The buildings are of brick, faced externally with the Kentish rag lime-stone, and present a very imposing effect. The sleeping wards are arched with

brick and floored with stone, and the floors of galleries also of stone on iron bearers, rendering the whole perfectly fire-proof, except the roofs. The total cost, including purchase of land and the fitting-up and furnishing, was about £50,000.

The Asylum was opened for the reception of patients on the 1st January, 1833, and is now under the able and humane management of George Poynder, Esq. the medical resident superintendent, and Dr. Welch, the consulting physician, subject to the control of a committee of the magistrates of the county.

THE WORKHOUSE,

in Knightrider-street, was erected for the poor in 1720, by Thomas Bliss, Esq. (who frequently represented this Borough in Parliament), and presented by him to the parish. Since its erection many additions have been made to it by the parish. It is now to be disposed of, the paupers having been removed to Coxheath. The ground used for the workhouse garden was decided at a vestry, August 16th, 1838, to be appropriated to a new burial ground, with the exception of a small portion for the enlargement of the National Schools.

ALMS-HOUSES.

Many humane individuals have built alms-houses for the poor. Sir John Banks, by his will, in 1697, directed six alms-houses to be built in St. Faith-street, which he endowed with the annual sum of £60, for six poor aged men and women. In 1748, Edward Hunter, Esq., gave six houses, in the Mote Road, with an annuity of £8 attached to each, for six poor men and women. In 1789, John Brenchley, Esq., built 4 alms-houses in King-st., for old men and women, and endowed them with annuities of £12 each. Mrs. Duke also gave three houses in King-street for gentlewomen of reduced circumstances.

MISCELLANEA:

Kent Fire Insurance Company, established in 1802, and the *Kent Life Annuity Institution* in 1824. The principal office is situated in the High-street. The Governor is the Earl of Romney, and the list of Deputy-governors comprises the names of most of the nobility and baronets in Kent. The Trustees are—C. H. Fleet, J. P. Plumptre, M. P., J. A. Wigan, and J. B. Wildman, Esqrs. The Directors are selected from the Proprietors residing in different parts of the county.

Bankers.—The banking establishment in High-street, belongs to Messrs. Corrall and Mercer, who draw on Masterman and Co. of London.—There is also a Branch of the Surrey, Kent, and Sussex Joint-stock bank, in High-street.

The Post-Office is situated in Week-st.. Mr. G. Hulburd, Postmaster.—The *London Mail* leaves Maidstone every evening, at 10 (Saturday excepted) to Rochester, where it meets the Dover Mail, and returns from thence to Maidstone, at 4 o'clock.—The *Tonbridge Mail* leaves Maidstone every evening at 9 o'clock, through Teston, Watlingbury, and Hadlow; meets the Rye and Hastings Mails at Tonbridge, and returns from thence to Maidstone, where it arrives at 5 o'clock in the morning.—The *Ashford Mail* leaves Maidstone every morning at 5 o'clock, and returns from thence at 20 minutes past 5 in the evening, and arrives at Maidstone at half-past 8.—The *Cranbrook Mail* leaves Maidstone every morning at half-past 5 o'clock, and returns from Cranbrook at 6 in the evening, & arrives at Maidstone at 8.—The following leave Maidstone every morning at 6 o'clock, and return in the evening at 7, viz. Malling, Sutton, Headcorn, and Yalding. The postage to each place is only one penny.

The free delivery of letters for the town has lately been extended. The boundary line includes Rocky-hill, Miss Allen's house on the Tonbridge-road, Shield's cottages at the top of Stone-street, Mote-road, Park-place in the Ashford-road, Albion-place, Queen Anne, to the top of Wheeler-

street, Gaol-wall, to the end of Pleasant-row, and the Water side to Mr. Pybus's house.

N. B. One penny to be paid on Tonbridge letters at half-past 8 o'clock, one penny for the London letters from nine until half-past 9, and two-pence from half-past 9 until 10.—Postage to London 7d.

The Cavalry Barracks are pleasantly situated at the end of Week-street, opposite the River Medway. They were built in 1797, and are now used as a depôt for the cavalry regiments in India; and likewise for the riding establishment of the army, which was removed hither from St. John's Wood Barracks about six years since. Colonel Brotherton, C. B. is the Commandant.—Opposite these barracks are the

County Assembly Rooms, in which balls and card meetings take place every season. The building contains a card-room, a ball-room, with apartments for dressing, refreshments, &c. It was built in 1819, by shares.

Turkey Mills, belonging to the Messrs. Hollingworth, which occupy a surface of about four acres, are situated on the eastern side of the town, and were built in 1739, by the late James Whatman, Esq. These mills, which have been recently improved, are very extensive, and their mechanism very ingenious and complete, Here and at Springfield mill the celebrated *Whatman's papers* are made.

On the northern side of the town, beyond the barracks, very eligibly situated on the banks of the Medway, lies

Springfield Paper Mill, the property of Messrs. Balston and Co., which was built by W. Balston, Esq. in 1806. This manufactory is worked by a steam engine of considerable power. The building occupies a space of about two acres of ground. Nearly 300 persons are employed in this establishment.

There are many other extensive paper mills in the neighbourhood, rendering a constant source of employment to a great number of individuals, both men and women.

Excise Office, Queen's Head, High-st. The business transacted at this office is principally confined to the coasting trade, as but few foreign trading vessels unload at the port. The import and export duties are generally at Rochester, of

which this is a *sub-port*. Principal coast officer, Mr. Webb, St. Faith-street. A short time since a scheme was projected to erect bonded warehouses for East and West India goods, which would, if carried into effect, be very advantageous to the town and neighbourhood. From the new bonded regulations this object could easily be effected, as inland towns may obtain the indulgence by application to the Lords of the Treasury.

The *Theatre*, in High-street, was erected at the sole expense of the late Mrs. Sarah Baker. It measures 85 feet by 23, and is now the property of Mr. W. Downton, son of the eminent comedian.

Coke and Gas Works were incorporated in 1823, and are situate near St. Peter's chapel, in the West Borough. These works supply the town and streets adjoining.

Markets.—The Corn Market is held at the Corn Exchange, every Thursday. The market days for fruit, vegetables, fish, &c. are Thursday and Saturday. The monthly Stock Market is held in the Meadow every second Tuesday.

Fairs.—There are four fairs yearly held here, viz. Feb. 13, May 12, June 20, and October 17, for cattle, wares, haberdashery, and pedlary. These fairs are held in the Meadow, and the cattle at Penenden Heath.

Posting Houses.—There are two posting-houses in this town, viz. the Bell, in Week-street, and the Star, in High-street, where post-horses may be hired.

Principal Inns.—The Bell, New Inn, and Compasses, Week-street; the Star, Mitre, Haunch of Venison, Queen's Head, and Swan, High-street; and the Bull and George, Gabriel's Hill.

Newspapers.—There are two newspapers published in this town—the *Maidstone Journal*, published by J. V. Hall and Son, High-street; and the *Maidstone Gazette*, published by R. J. Cutbush, Week-street, both of which have a very large circulation.

General Quarter Sessions.—In the first week after the 11th of October, in the first week after the 28th of December, in the first week after the 31st of March, and in the first week after the 24th of June.

PERPETUAL CURATES OF MAIDSTONE.

Rev. Richard Augur.....	1547	Rev. H. Lynde	1687
— John Day	1553	— E. Roman.....	1690
— Robert Carr	1559	— G. Innis.....	1692
— Robert Barrell	1602	— J. Woodward	1711
— S. Smith	1643	— S. Weller	1712
— T. Wilson	1644	— John Denne	1753
— John Crump	1661	— James Reeve.....	1800
— John Davis	1677		

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR MAIDSTONE,
AND THE VOTES TAKEN AT EACH ELECTION FOR THE MEMBERS.

1761 Fuller	483	1818 Robarts	233
— Northy	452	— Longman	225
— Hanger	440	— Wells	102
1768 Marsham	697	1820 Robarts	287
— Gregory	433	— Wells	250
— Annesley	331	— Sharp	236
1774 Mann	541	1826 Wells	375
— Finch	456	— Robarts	357
— Gregory	225	— Lewis	105
1780 Mann	558	1830 Robarts	470
— Taylor	399	— Winchester	387
— Finch	362	— Rawlings	156
1784 Taylor.....	406	— Tyssen	6
— Edwards	393	1831 Robarts	478
— Geary	324	— Barnett	441
1788 Bloxam	328	— Winchester	195
— Byng	307	— Simson	150
1790 Taylor.....	419	1832 Robarts	500
— Bloxam	419	— Barnett	469
— Parker	158	— Lewis	422
1796 Delancy	415	1835 Lewis	529
— Bloxam	328	— Robarts	398
— Hull	281	— Barnett	333
1802 Durand	415	— Lucas	5
— Bloxam	381	— Hillyard.....	3
— Major	310	1837 Lewis	782
1806 Simson	391	— Disraeli	668
— Longman	368	— Thompson	529
— Bloxam	320	— Perry	25
1807 Simson	396	1838 Fector.....	708
— Longman	374	— Robarts	583
— Geary	332	A Petition having been presented against the return of Mr. Fector, a new election took place, June 14:	
1812 Simson	389	1838 Fector..	705
— Bridges	389	— Robarts	514
— Longman	211		

MAYORS OF MAIDSTONE.

Chosen Nov. 2.	Chosen Nov. 2.
John King1800	R. Tassell.....1823
Flint Stacey..... 1	J. N. Hughes 24
Edward Argles 2	J. Wise..... 25
Thomas Day 3	J. Mares 26
T. Poole 4	W. H. Stacey 27
John Stone 5	C. Stacey..... 28
John Blake 6	R. Tassell..... 29
H. Cutbush 7	J. N. Hughes 30
G. Burr..... 8	Thos. Day 31
G. Burgess 9	W. Hills 32
T. Day 10	J. Mares 33
James Poole 11	W. H. Stacey 34
T. Poole 12	Chosen Jan. 1.
John Stone 13	C. Ellis..... 36
Philip Corrall 14	Chosen Nov. 9.
J. Argles 15	H. Godden 36
J. Brenchley 16	Who resigned and paid the fine.
J. Day 17	T. Pybus (in his stead).. Nov. 22
W. H. Stacey 18	H. Collis1837
J. Mares 19	Claimed exemption through ill health.
J. Wise 20	T. Pybus was re-elected, Nov. 22.
G. Burgess 21	
C. Stacey 22	

CHRONOLOGICAL EVENTS

RELATING TO MAIDSTONE.

- 86 Inundation of the River Medway; several inhabitants of Maidstone drowned.
- 666 Egbert, first King of Kent, began to reign; who basely murdered Ethelred and Ethelbert, his two nephews, and cast their dead bodies into the Medway.
- 808 A large sea-horse taken in the Medway at Maidstone.
- 824 A large whale taken in the Medway.
- 861 Inundation of the Medway; several cattle drowned.
- 909 A whale and two porpoises taken in the Medway.
- 1056 A whale, thirty-four feet long, taken in the Medway below Maidstone.
- 1114 A failure of water in the Medway, and the navigation stopped; people passed over on foot. The same took place in the Thames, opposite the Tower, October 10th.
- 1261 Market first granted to this town.
- 1327 Maidstone Bridge over the Medway finished.
- 1348 Maidstone Palace begun.
- 1354 The staple of woollen manufactories removed first from Flanders to this town.

- 1368 A ton of wine sold for 13s. 4d.
- 1381 Wat Tyler and the rebels broke open the County Prison.
- 1390 Maidstone church enlarged, and the present chancel built by Archbishop Courtney.
- 1391 About this time Archbishop Courtney founded the college.
- 1396 Archbishop Courtney died July 28th.
- 1438 Archbishop Chichele entertained King Henry VI. at the palace.
- 1453 Archbishop John Stafford died at the Palace at Maidstone.
- 1486 Archbishop Morton beautified the Palace.
- 1495 The Exchequer standard committed to the town.
- 1546 The College surrendered into the King's hand.
- 1549 Maidstone church plundered of its vestments.
- Maidstone first incorporated, July 4th ; Rich. Henley, mayor.
- 1553 Charter of Maidstone forfeited.
- 1555 Seven men and women burnt in the Meadow for heresy.
- 1560 The second charter granted to this town Dec. 4 ; Wm. Green, mayor.
- 1568 The Walloons first settled in this town, and established the thread manufactory.
- 1593 The Plague raged in this town in the years 1593-4-5, and again in 1666-7-8. In the last 3 years upwards of 500 persons died.
- 1604 The third charter granted to this town, with further privileges, &c. Dec. 31st ; Edward Maplesden, mayor.
- 1619 The fourth charter granted to this town, with additional privileges ; Walter Fisher, mayor.
- 1620 Maidstone bridge repaired by an assessment on the town and parish.
- 1630 Weever visited Maidstone church, and inspected the funeral monuments.
- 1648 Maidstone taken by the Parliamentary forces, June 2nd.
- 1649 The assizes not held at Maidstone for two years, there being no prisoners.
- 1652 Several old women, natives of Swanscomb, tried at the assizes, as witches, August 2nd., and received sentence of death.
- 1682 An alteration and a fifth charter granted to this town ; Robert Saunders, mayor.
- 1689 Dr. Wright, an anabaptist preacher, chosen mayor, and the jurats dissenters.
- 1701 The rights of the freemen confirmed by Parliament, Feb. 7th.
- 1702 The above rights confirmed again, Dec. 8th.
- 1720 Present workhouse built at the sole expense of T. Bliss, Esq.
- 1730 Maidstone church spire burnt down by lightning, Nov. 2nd.
- 1747 The sixth and present charter granted ; Edw. Hunter, mayor.
- 1751 Cattle market granted to this town by letters patent.
- 1756 Hanoverian Camp on Coxheath, consisting of 12,000 men.
- 1763 Great hail-storm at Maidstone, August 19th.
- 1764 Town Hall finished.
- 1765 Prisoners broke out of the County Gaol and murdered the turnkey, August 7th.
- 1776 County Bridewell built, and Debtors' Gaol finished.

- 1778 King George III. passed through this town and reviewed the troops on Coxheath.—A loyal address was presented to his Majesty by the corporation, when the honor of Knighthood was conferred on the mayor, Wm. Bishop, Esq.
- 1791 An Act passed for paving and improving the town.
- 1794 The pavement finished.
- 1797 The King's cavalry barracks finished.
- 1798 On the 1st of June, O'Coigley, O'Connor, Binns, Allen, and Leary were tried at Maidstone special assize for high treason. On the 7th June O'Coigley was executed on Penenden Heath.
- 1799 Review, by George III. in the Mote Park, August 1st.
- 1804 Ten thousand men encamped on Coxheath, under the command of Lord Chatham. Aug. 29, they were reviewed, together with the Maidstone volunteers and yeomanry, by the Duke of York.
- 1809 Jan. 24-5-6—Flood in Maidstone, greater than known for 70 years—Brenchley & Co's brewhouse and houses near were flooded—horse from Bell Inn drowned at the Little Bridge—houses entered in the Borough and bottom of High-street by chamber windows from boats—wall of church-yard washed down, the graves laid open, and coffins exposed.
- 1810 An additional burial-ground for All Saints consecrated.
- Feb. 16—Desperate attempt of felons to escape from gaol.
- Oct.—New gaol commenced building.
- 1811 An Act passed permitting Sir W. Bishop and George Bishop to continue manufacturing Maidstone Geneva until 5 July, 1813.
- 1813 Aug. 23—Philip Nicholson executed at Penenden Heath, for the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Bonar, at Chislehurst.
- 1816 The Earl of Romney, lord of the manor, granted 48 acres of land on Barming Heath, and 24 acres on Penenden Heath, to the parish, for employment of the poor.
- 1817 April 3—Launcelot Boniface executed at Penenden Heath, for shooting Mr. William Bramwell, at Tonbridge Wells.
- July 31—James Nesbit was executed at Penenden Heath, for the murder of Thos. Parker and his Housekeeper, at Woolwich.
- 1818 New County Gaol finished, at an expense of nearly £200,000.
- Aug. 3—Hussey executed for the murder of Mr. Bird and his housekeeper at Greenwich.
- Oct. 12—The present Kentish Bank opened.
- March 23—The heaviest Assize ever known—the number of prisoners amounted to 180—besides the upper and lower courts, the Baptist meeting-house, in the Rose-yard, was made use of to try prisoners; 35 received sentence of death, but were all reprieved.
- 1819 March 8—Prisoners removed from old to new gaol.
- Sept.—Conduit erected in Stone-street.
- Oct. 7—Old gaols in King-street sold by auction for £2,360; the Bridewell for £800.
- Nov. 12—The prisoners were removed from the old County Bridewell to the New House of Correction.

- 1819 Nov. 30—New County Ball-rooms, near the barracks, opened.
 — Oct. 5—Wm. Greentrees confined in gaol for horse-stealing, and another prisoner, named Hearn, were poisoned by arsenic mixed in a plum pudding, sent as a present to the former by persons unknown—some gipseys tried but acquitted.
- 1820 July 31—Great storm passed over the south-east part of Maidstone, destroying windows, &c. to a very great extent—the hop plantations also suffered severely.
 — Nov. 20—A partial illumination in this town, on the result of Queen Caroline's trial—some disturbances and military called out—no material damage beyond some windows being broken.
- 1822 Sept. 24—New Wesleyan Chapel, in Union-street, opened.
 — — 26—Savings' Bank instituted.
- 1823 Aug.—The longest assize ever known—the court sat 13 days—Baron Graham presiding.
 — Dec. 15—The first winter assize held.
 — March 24—John Coleman executed at Penenden Heath, for the murder of his wife, at Chatham.
- 1824 The land on Penenden Heath belonging to this parish was sold to the late G. D. Tyssen, Esq. for £1,700.
- 1825 May 21—First stone of New Markets laid by J. N. Hughes, Esq. mayor—opened 23d March, 1826.
 — Sept. 26—First stone of Trinity Church laid.
- 1827 July 11—Green ascended in his balloon, accompanied by Col. Lyster, from High-street, and descended near the Mote Park.
- 1828 Trinity Church consecrated.
 — Jan. 2—New Court House opened for assize.
 — Oct. 24—Great County Meeting on Penenden Heath, on the Catholic claims.
 — Oct. 31—Great Brunswick Festival, at the Star Inn.
- 1829 Thirty-five acres of land, at Barming Heath, was sold by this parish to the county, for the Lunatic Asylum for £2,983 15s. 7d.
- 1830 County Asylum built.
 — West Kent Infirmary and Dispensary finished.
- 1833 June 11—High wind—great damage among fruit..
 — Aug. 30—Destructive hurricane, lasted 24 hours—orchards stripped of fruit—hops levelled—trees torn up.
- 1836 Nov. 29—Great Hurricane—Many chimneys blown down, roofs uncovered, &c.
- 1837 St. Peter's Chapel opened.
 — The East and West Kent Yeomanry Cavalry on permanent duty at Maidstone for 7 days; they were reviewed at the Mote Park, on the 26th of May; the Earl of Romney gave a dinner to the whole of the troops; and a grand *déjeûner* to the neighbouring nobility and gentry.

COACHES FROM MAIDSTONE TO LONDON.

- At 6 o'clock.—The **BRITISH QUEEN**, from the Swan Inn, to the George Inn, Boro', every day except Sunday.
- $\frac{1}{4}$ before 8.—**MARTIN'S OMNIBUS**, from the Eagle Office, High-st. to the Saracen's Head, Friday-street, Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- 8.—**THE RELIANCE**, from the Swan Inn, to the Ship, Charing Cross, George Inn, Boro', and Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Hill, every day except Sunday.
- 9.—**THE BALLOON**, from the Queen's Head Inn, to the George Inn, Borough; Blossoms Inn, Laurence Lane; Ship, Charing Cross; White Bear, Piccadilly; and Green Man and Still, Oxford-street.
- 10.—**THE TALLY-HO!** from the Swan Inn, to the Booking Office, 98, Boro', and Golden Cross, Charing Cross, every day except Sunday.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 12.—**THE TIMES** (from Folkestone) to the Queen's Head Inn, to Blossoms Inn, every day except Sunday.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 3.—**THE FAVORITE**, from the Swan Inn, to the George Inn, Boro', and Bull and Mouth, St. Martin's-le-grand, every day.

COACHES FROM LONDON TO MAIDSTONE.

- 8.—**TIMES**, from the Blossoms Inn, Laurence Lane, to Queen's Head Inn, Maidstone, every day except Sunday, on its route to Folkestone through Lenham, Charing, Ashford, & Hythe.
- 9.—**FAVORITE**, from the Bull and Mouth, and $\frac{1}{2}$ -past Nine, from the George Inn, Boro', to the Swan Inn, Maidstone, every day.
- $\frac{1}{4}$ before 1.—**RELIANCE**, from Piccadilly, Charing Cross, and Belle Sauvage, at 1; George Inn, Boro', at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 1, every day except Sunday, to the Swan.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 1.—**MARTIN'S OMNIBUS**, from the Saracen's Head, Friday-street, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
- $\frac{1}{4}$ before 2.—**TALLY-HO!** from Golden Cross, Charing Cross, and 2, from 98, Booking-office, Boro', to the Swan Inn, every day, except Sunday.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 2.—**BALLOON**, from the Blossoms Inn, and at a $\frac{1}{4}$ before 3, from the George Inn, Boro', to the Queen's Head Inn, every day, except Sunday.—Branch Coach from Griffin's Green Man & Still, Oxford-st., and Piccadilly at $\frac{1}{4}$ p 2 o'clock.
- 4.—**THE BRITISH QUEEN**, from the Bull and Mouth, and Belle Sauvage, at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 3 o'clock, from the George Inn, Boro', at 4, to the Mitre Inn, every day except Sunday.

CONVEYANCES TO AND FROM MAIDSTONE.

Tonbridge Wells & Brighton.—Brighton Coach, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10 o'clock, returns Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at a quarter before 9 and arrives at 4.

Clapson's Van leaves the Angel Inn, Tonbridge, every Morning, except Sunday, at 9 o'clock, returns from the Haunch at 4.

Cranbrook.—Pair-horse Omnibus from Cranbrook, every Morning (Sunday excepted) at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 7 o'clock, returns from Maidstone at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 6 in the Afternoon.

Sittingbourne.—Van from Sittingbourne every Morning (Sunday excepted) at 10, returns in the Afternoon at 5, and arrives in time for the Canterbury Coach.

Chatham and Rochester.—PHILADELPHIA BURCH'S Coach, every Morning at 10, and a Van at 12, returns at a quarter before 2 and 5, from the Globe, Chatham.

JAMES BURCH'S Coaches from the Globe Inn, Chatham, every Morning at a quarter past 8, and a quarter past 9 o'clock for Maidstone, and return from the Haunch of Venison, at 3 and 5 in the Afternoon.

Sevenoaks and Westerham.—The KENT, light Omnibus, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 12 o'clock, from the Haunch of Venison to Sevenoaks and Westerham, returns the following days.

Gravesend.—Omnibusses from the Haunch of Venison, Sun, Compasses and New Inn, every Morning to Gravesend, at a quarter after 5, quarter before 7, and $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 12, in time for the 8, $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 9, and 3 o'clock Steam Packets, and return the same Afternoon and Evening.

Ashford.—BENTON and PECKHAM'S Omnibus leaves the Haunch of Venison, every Evening at 7, arrives at Ashford at 10 o'clock, leaves Ashford every Morning at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 6, and in the afternoon, at 2.

* * * *All the above are from the Haunch of Venison.*

Tonbridge and Tonbridge Wells.—KNIGHT'S Van every day (Sunday excepted) from the Swan Inn, Maidstone, at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 9, to Kentish Hotel, Tonbridge Wells, returns from thence at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 1. Passengers and Parcels forwarded to Brighton, by Churchill and Co's Coach.

The Union Van leaves the Sussex Hotel, every Morning (except Sunday) at $\frac{1}{4}$ before 7, Red Lion, Tonbridge, $\frac{1}{4}$ before 8, arrives at the Swan Inn, Maidstone, $\frac{1}{4}$ before 10, returns from the Swan at 5 o'clock in the Afternoon.

Tenterden.—Pair-horse Coach to Tenterden, every Evening (except Sunday) at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 6, from the Swan, returns at 6 in the Morning, and arrives at a $\frac{1}{4}$ before 10.

Dover, Folkestone, Hythe and Ashford.—BENTON and PECKHAM'S Omnibus from the Swan Inn, 10 o'clock, arrives at Ashford at a $\frac{1}{4}$ before 1, through Hythe and Sandgate to the Gun Hotel, Dover, at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 5, from whence it returns every Morning (except Sunday) at $\frac{1}{2}$ -past 8.

Hastings.—**STICKLES'S** Omnibus every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday Mornings, from the Sun Inn, Maidstone, at 11 o'clock, thro' Cranbrook and Hawkhurst to Hastings, returns from thence Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Canterbury.—**BRYDGES'S** Coach from the Castle, Maidstone, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at $\frac{1}{4}$ p 10 in the Morning. Also his Omnibus from the Tuns, Maidstone, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at $\frac{1}{4}$ p 10 o'clock in the Morning. Returns from the Fleur-de-lis and George, Canterbury, every day (except Sunday) at 10 in the Morning.

W A G O N S, &c.

Benton's Luggage Van, from the New Inn, Old Change, Cheapside, and Talbot Inn, Borough, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 3 o'clock, to the Booking Office, 72, Bank Street, Maidstone, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, thro' Maidstone to London, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Larking's Wagon from the Sun Inn, High Street, Maidstone, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, to the Queen's-head Inn, Talbot Inn, George Inn, Boro' and George Inn, Aldermanbury, City, returns from the above Inns, on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon.—Office in Pudding Lane, Maidstone.

Westcott's Luggage Van on Springs, from the Windsor Castle, Week-street, at 11 o'clock, on Monday and Thursday, to the Spur Inn, Borough, and Shepherd's Office, 35, Camomile-street, and returns on Tuesday and Friday, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Luckhurst's News Cart, every Tuesday Morning, from the Maidstone Gazette Office to Gillingham, Gads Hill, Luton, Rainham, Chatham, Rochester, Strood, Gravesend, Northfleet, Greenhithe, Dartford, Crayford, Boxley, Sutton at Hone, and Meopham, returns the following day to Maidstone.

WATER CONVEYANCE.

Simmonds and Son's Barges sail to and from Kent Wharf, Boro', every Wednesday and Saturday, and daily during the Hop Season.

Mason's, to and from Brooks's and Bull Wharfs, Upper Thames-street, Wednesday and Saturday.

Barlow, Gill and Hills's, to and from Liddard's Wharf, bottom of Horsleydown-lane, every Wednesday and Saturday.

Drury's, to and from Hay's Wharf, and Kent and Sussex Wharf, Borough, every Wednesday and Saturday.

Wimble, One in the coal trade.

Poolly, Two in the stone and hop trade.

Dedrick's, to and from Bensted's wharf, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Bensted and Higgins have 8 vessels employed in the stone trade.

Mrs. Chaplin, Two in the coal trade.

T. Pybus's general trader, and *Selmes and Jackson's* general trader

MAIDSTONE.

The following Account of the POPULATION of MAIDSTONE in 1695, 1781 and 1782, is taken from a small Pamphlet of 22 pages, by Mr. Innys, entitled "Observations on the Increased Population, Healthiness, &c. of the Town of Maidstone," published by J. Blake, 1782.

Population of town and parish in 1695.....3676
 Ditto.....ditto..... 1781.....5739
 Ditto.....ditto..... 1782.....5755

AS FOLLOWS:

Names of the Streets, &c. in the Town.	Boys Under Fifteen	Girls Under Fifteen	Men above Seventy	Women above Seventy	Men Servants	Women Servants	Total of Males	Total of Females	Inhabitants	No. of Houses	No. of Families
High-street (Middle-row included)	139	137	9	6	31	81	414	495	909	173	195
Queen-street	21	31	4	12	4	13	78	99	177	35	85
Pudding-lane	32	30	2	1	7	3	69	79	148	31	33
Gabriel's-hill	43	42	1	3	21	20	123	124	247	46	47
Stone-street	136	149	22	25	28	57	392	499	891	192	204
Knight Rider's-street	23	51	5	12	3	10	74	158	232	15	18
East-lane	97	95	10	31	12	26	354	322	676	117	123
Square and Maryland Point.....	6	11	1	2	—	2	4	26	50	14	15
Week-street	114	107	13	22	25	70	304	371	675	136	139
In the Meadow	12	9	—	1	—	1	39	46	85	20	21
Earl-street	23	32	8	15	6	27	100	123	223	42	44
Havock-lane	13	11	2	4	1	1	31	35	66	15	15
Saint Faith's Green	6	9	7	9	4	9	33	51	84	25	25
Waterside	18	27	3	4	—	—	53	58	111	22	23
Bridge-street and bridge	26	15	1	2	—	1	57	51	108	26	27
West Borough	67	78	8	12	3	4	161	185	346	73	73
Total in the Town	776	847	96	161	145	325	2306	2722	5028	982	1037

Names of Places in the Country part of the Parish.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.	Ditto.
Bower, Barming Heath, Buckland and Half Oak	20	14	3	1	8	8	61	49	110	23	24	
Loddington.....	15	14	1	—	8	3	34	29	63	11	11	
Tovil.....	28	39	3	2	7	6	81	86	167	35	34	
Penenden Heath.....	21	30	—	3	8	7	46	56	102	14	18	
Maginforth.....	9	9	2	1	—	—	20	17	37	7	8	
Willington-street, Stone Rock, Shepway-court, Cold harbor, Gould's-court, Blue-door, Mote Park, and Shepway-street.....	51	59	1	2	10	16	115	133	248	43	44	
	144	165	10	9	41	40	357	370	727	133	139	
Total in Town and Parish.....	920	1012	106	170	186	365	2663	3092	5755	1115	1176	

INHABITANTS. HOUSES.

Population of town and parish in 1801.....	8,027	—	1,346
Ditto.....	1811	—	1,750
Ditto.....	1821	—	2,131
Ditto.....	1831	—	2,987

THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE PRINCIPAL TOWNS IN KENT AND SUSSEX.

	From: London.		CoAST TOWNS.	
Ashford.....	53		Margate to Brighton.	
Brighton ..	52		Margate to	
Bromley ..	10		Kingsgate ..	3½ 2½
Canterbury .	55		Broadstairs ..	2 4¾
Cranbrook..	49		Ramsgate.....	2 6¾
Dartford ..	15		To Margate 4½	
Deal	72		Sandwich	6 12¾
Dover	71		Lower Deal ..	5¾ 18½
East Bourne	61		Dover	8½ 27
Faversham .	47		Folkestone ..	7 34
Folkestone .	70		Sandgate	1¼ 35¼
Gravesend..	22		Hythe	2¾ 38
Hastings ..	64		New Romney .	9 47
Hythe	65		Rye	12½ 59½
Maidstone..	35		Winchelsea ..	2 61½
Margate ..	71		Hastings	8¾ 70¼
Rochester ..	29		Pavensey	13 83¼
Romney, N.	69		South Bourne	5¼ 88¼
Rye	63		To East Bourne	¾
Sandwich ..	68		Seaford	9 97¾
Sevenoaks..	23		Newhaven ...	3¼ 101
Sheerness ..	49		Rottingdean..	5 106
Tenterden..	52		Brighton	4 110
Tunbridge..	30			

DIRECTIONS :—Pass down the side column to the first place. To the right is the repetition of it ; and directly under the Capital, and opposite the other name in the side column, is the distance.

EXAMPLE :—Sandwich to Dover. Directly under the D in the repetition of Dover, and opposite Sandwich, is 13, the distance required.

ENVIRONS OF MAIDSTONE.

THE MOTE,

the seat of the Earl of Romney, is situated on the right of the Ashford road, about a mile from Maidstone. It anciently belonged to the family of the Leybournes. In the beginning of the reign of Edward III. it appears to have belonged to John de Shofford, from whom it passed to Ralph de Ditton, and afterwards to Bartholomew Lord Burghurst, or Burghersh. In the latter part of this reign the Mote was possessed by the Woodvilles. In the reigns of Richard II. and Hen. IV. John de Woodville possessed this estate. His son Richard was made constable of the Isle of Wight, a Baron, and Knight of the Garter, and was styled Lord Rivers, Grafton, and De la Mote, and afterwards Earl Rivers; he was beheaded by the rebels of Northampton in 1469. In the reign of Hen. VII. Sir Henry Wiatt purchased the Mote, from whom it descended to his grandson Sir T. Wiatt, who forfeited this estate for rebellion against Queen Mary. It was afterwards granted to Hugh Warham, who sold it to Sir William Rither, Lord Mayor of London: he repaired this estate and left it to his daughter and co-heiress, the Lady Susannah Cæsar. It afterwards became the property of Sir Humphrey Tufton, Bart., whose descendant disposed of it in 1690 to Sir John Marsham, of Whorne's place, in Cookstone, Bart. Sir John Marsham was succeeded by his son, on whose death this and his other estates

passed to his uncle, Sir Robert Marsham, whose only son was created Baron Romney in 1716. His son and heir, Robert Lord Romney, was Colonel of the West Kent Militia, President of the Society of Arts, &c. He was succeeded in 1794 by his eldest son, Charles, who erected the present mansion in 1799. * He was Lord Lieutenant of the county; and in 1801 was created Earl of Romney, and Viscount Marsham of the Mote. He died in March 1811, and was succeeded by his son, the present Earl.

The old mansion was a venerable building, standing in the lower part of the Park, and embosomed in trees. This was taken down by the late Earl, who built the present mansion; the principal apartments of which are spacious, and magnificently fitted up: they contain some good pictures, with family portraits, &c. His Lordship has made very great improvements in the estate, and added much to the beauty of the park, which is very extensive and finely wooded. In front of the house is one of the finest pieces of water in the county, which his Lordship is at the present time considerably increasing in extent.

* August 1st, 1799, the Volunteers of Kent, amounting to upwards of 5,000, were reviewed in the Mote Park by George III. who was accompanied by the Queen and Royal Family, and all the great officers of state, with many of the principal nobility of the kingdom. A grand Pavillion was erected, for the accommodation of their Majesties and the Royal Family, in front of the line. After the review, the whole company, consisting of upwards of 6,000 persons, were sumptuously entertained at tables spread under tents, and in the Park. A Pavillion of free-stone, in the Ionic order, was afterwards built in the Park, at a short distance from the site of the old house, at the expense of the Volunteers, who were reviewed, to mark their high regard to his Lordship for his constant attention to their corps. The Corporation of Canterbury also voted the freedom of the city to his Lordship.

In May 1837, the Mote Park was again enlivened by a Review. The East and West Kent regiments of Yeomanry Cavalry, under the command of Lieut.-Colonel the Earl of Winchilsea and Lieut.-Col. the Earl of Brecknock, having assembled in Maidstone for eight days training, the Earl of Romney granted the use of his park for the purpose, and with his accustomed generosity caused it to be thrown open to the public; and this delightful plantation and its splendid mansion were the scene of greater festivities than for years past.—On the 24th, the whole of the Brigade were sumptuously entertained by his Lordship, at a dinner in the extensive and spacious hop-oast, which was erected some years ago. The troops having

VINTERS,

the seat of James Whatman, Esq. is situated in a very beautiful Park. This estate and manor anciently belonged to the family of Vinter. Roger Vinter resided here in the 18th year of King Edward III. A. D. 1343, in the 40th year of which reign he founded a chantry in Maidstone church, called Gould's Chantry, from the lands with which he endowed it. His son, John Vinter, in the 10th year of King Henry IV. sold it to John, son of Sir Ralph de Fremingham, of Loose, who dying without issue, it came to Roger Isley, of Sandrish, as nearest of blood; and in his descendants Vinters continued down to Sir Henry Isley; who by the act of the 2d and 3d of King Edward VI. procured his lands in this county to be disgavelled. He was concerned in Sir Thomas Wiatt's rebellion, and executed at Sevenoaks, and his lands confiscated to the Crown; soon after which Queen Mary granted this seat to Cutts, and in the reign of King Charles I. it passed to Sir William Tufton, Bart. who resided here. His son Sir Charles Tufton sold it to Daniel Whyte, Esq. whose son, in the reign of Queen Anne, sold it to Sir Samuel Ongley, whose descendant, Lord Ongley, in 1783, obtained an act to sell this estate, when James Whatman, Esq., the father of the present owner, who had been sheriff in 1767, became the purchaser, and greatly enlarged the old mansion. It contains some good pictures and a valuable library. The outer porch of Boxley Church and

retired, the large building was again filled by the peasantry who are dependent on his Lordship, and his hospitality was extended to these honest labourers to a late hour.—On the 25th, after the duties of the day, races took place in the Park, between the non-commissioned officers and privates, for silver cups, given by the Colonels.—And on Friday, the 26th, the Grand Review took place, when the troops were inspected in the first place by the Marquis of Camden, as Lord Lieutenant of the county; after which by Colonel Brotherton, C. B. the inspecting officer of the day, who expressed his entire approbation of the Brigade, both with respect to men and horses. At the close of the Review, the Earl of Romney gave a splendid entertainment at his seat to the nobility, gentry, officers, and many of the inhabitants of Maidstone.

the vaults therein belong to this estate.—In the neighbourhood of Vinters several Roman coins, urns, and other relics of antiquity, have at various times been found.

Adjoining Vinters, on the Bearsted road, is the manor-farm of Newnham Court, once the residence of Odo, Bishop of Bayeux, brother of King William the Conqueror. It was granted by King Henry VIII. to Sir Thomas Wiatt, and by Queen Elizabeth to Sir John Astley; afterwards it came to Sir Norton Knatchbull and the Earls of Aylesford, and is now in the possession of James Whatman, Esq. The excavations in the sand are very extensive, and well worth a visit.

PARK HOUSE

is a seat about half a mile from the town, near the Rochester road. This estate was formerly part of the possessions of the See of Canterbury, and purchased of Archbishop Cranmer by King Henry VIII. Sir Anthony Knevet held it under that king in his 33d year. In the reign of Chas. II. it was in the possession of Sir Thomas Taylor, Bart. who died in 1665, leaving one son, Thomas, who succeeded him in the title and estate, and married Alicia, sister and heir of Sir Thomas Colepeper, Bart. of Aylesford, but died without issue. His heirs sold this estate to James Calder, Esq, whose ancestor, James Calder, in Scotland, was created a baronet in 1686. He resided here, and on the death of his father took the title, and died in 1774, having married Alice, daughter of Admiral Sir Edward Hughes, by whom he had two sons, Henry, the late baronet, and Robert, since created a baronet and an admiral in the royal navy. Sir Henry Calder, Bart., the son, was a general in the army. He re-built this seat at no great distance, though within the parish of Boxley, at a more eligible situation. He married, first, Elizabeth, daughter of A. Earle, Esq, of Heydon, in Norfolk, who died in 1786: secondly, the daughter of Admiral Osbourne, and died in 1792, leaving by his second wife an infant son, Sir Henry Calder, who sold this estate to E. H. Lushington, Esq., the present occupier.

HAYLE PLACE.

THIS seat, which is the property of Walter Jones, Esq., situate between Loose and Maidstone, about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the town, is perhaps exceeded by none in salubrity of situation, the soil around being uniformly sound and dry, and being at a sufficient elevation to secure a free and constant circulation of air. The views also on every side are picturesque and cheerful. The mansion here, by different proprietors, and particularly by the present one, has been much enlarged, and now presents a building of some considerable dimensions. Here was formerly an ancient gateway, long since pulled down; and it has, without doubt, been a mansion of note in former times, though little of its early history is preserved. The fine avenues of elms are a great ornament to this place; as well as pleasing objects in the landscape from several surrounding points; and so favourable appears to be this soil for their growth, that notwithstanding their present large size, the gardener who planted the principal avenue was living not much more than 20 years since. The grounds in front and on one of the sides are laid out as a paddock, interspersed with many detached trees, and in places there are belts of plantation. One tree is still left of the old avenue of limes which was formerly in front of the house, the remainder of which have been removed more than half a century. Exchanges of lands were made here by some former proprietors to make this property more compact, and to bring it within a ring fence.—In 1834, Roman pottery was found in the grounds in the front of the house, as workmen were moving the earth for planting trees. It was discovered lying near the rock, and it was not before suspected that any such remains were in this vicinity.

HAYLE COTTAGE

was built some years since by the late Admiral Jones, on part of the Hayle Place lands to the south.—Capt. Marsham, R. N., son-in-law of Walter Jones, esq., resides here.

T O V I L

is a large hamlet, partly in the parish of Maidstone, and contains three paper-mills, an oil mill, the property of W. T. Steinmetz, Esq., two flour-mills, and several gentlemen's houses. The footway hither from Maidstone through the College hop-garden was widened, edged with a border of header stones, and much improved in 1831, by the Commissioners of Maidstone Pavements, aided by a subscription of the inhabitants of Tovil, at an expense of nearly £200. This place contains 140 houses and about 700 inhabitants. Of the houses, 98 are in Maidstone parish, 39 in East Farleigh, and 3 in Loose. It has a small dissenting meeting, with a Sunday school attached; but as yet no church or chapel of the Established Church.

The name is sometimes variously written, but as above is most usual. In the certificate of the valuation of the College of Maidstone, in 1547, it is written Tovill, and in a fine of lands, in 1524, between Sir John Hales, Knt. and others, Tofeld.

TOVIL PLACE

is the seat of J. Hepburn, Esq., and commands a beautiful view from the front across the Medway, and towards Rochester; and the undulations of the grounds at the back, which are set off to great advantage by plantations of trees and a fine sheet of water which supplies the mill, are justly admired.—The house was built by Clement Taylor, Esq. M. P. for Maidstone, about 1781; but was much added to by Mr. Ruse, a subsequent proprietor. The lands, which comprise this property, were purchased by Mr. Taylor, of various persons.

TOVIL HOUSE,

the property of Mrs. Mackenzie, who resides here, is pleasantly situated at the top of the Green at Lower Tovil; from whence it commands a good view over the intervening lands towards Maidstone. This house was built by Mr. Wildish, a former proprietor; and enlarged and otherwise improved by the late Captain John Mackenzie.

BEDDOWES PLACE,

which lies partly in the parish of Maidstone and partly in East Farleigh, is the property of the Rev. B. Post, who resides here. The house is thought to have been built in the reign of Henry VII., and the hall, which formerly had a large bay window, and extended in height to the roof, still retains its dimensions on the ground floor, but the upper part has been divided into several rooms. Of the painted glass which was here scarce any remains, have been preserved. The Vylian and Weston families were formerly proprietors; and it was purchased, in 1612, by Mr. Beale of Richard Kelsham and others. During the time it remained in Mr. Beale's family, some of the tenants being members of the Baptist communion, one of the rooms was for many years used as their place of worship; and texts of Scripture were formerly to be seen on the walls before the room was papered in 1804. In the woods here some rare plants are found, as the Bird's-nest Orchis, the Herb Paris or One-berry, the Toothwort, &c. The name Beddowes, which also occurs written Bydews, is supposed properly to be By th' ewes, *i. e.* by the waters, several springs arising on this property.

MOUNT ARARAT,

at the back of Tovil, presents a delightful little piece of scenery in the Swiss style, and well merits a walk to see. The two flour-mills here, Mr. Wilson's and Mr. Bunyar's, rather add to the rural effect and peculiar character of the scene.

TOVIL BURYING GROUND

is at the top of Tovil Hill, at the junction of the road leading up from Lower Tovil. It probably was used first as a burying-ground about the year 1664, when it appears to have been partially walled in. It is understood to have been given by Mr. Simon Pine, who was member of a congregation of General Baptists in the vicinity, and owner of some adjoining land. He died in 1681, and his head-stone, which formerly stood in the centre, and is now near the south wall, is the oldest in the ground. It is now in the hands of trustees.

A short distance from this spot down the road, which from it is called the Burying Ground Lane, was formerly a dangerous precipice, 50 or 60 feet deep, arising from quarries having fallen in, which, in former times, had been carried too nigh. The carriage-road overhung in one place many feet, occasioning great danger, which was removed by its being lowered in the beginning of 1835.

MISCELLANEA.

There is a ford of the river at Tovil, opposite Lower Fant, probably in use in ancient times, but not appearing to have been so in modern ones, no road leading down to it on the Maidstone side of the river.

There is a strong chalybeate spring at Tovil, near Mount Ararat.

There was formerly a hamlet or estate near Tovil, in East Farleigh parish, called Malynhale. Lands at Malynhale, in the parish of East Farleigh, are mentioned in a legal instrument of the date of 1534. No such place is now known. However, in a farm in the vicinity one of the fields is named Malum hale, which may possibly have reference to this.

By the side of the lane leading from Mount Ararat, in the direction of Postley Fields, the earth sunk some years since in a considerable cavity, supposed to have been undermined by the small stream which breaks out in the mill-pond below.

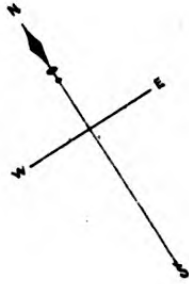
EAST FARLEIGH

is an adjoining parish to Maidstone, on the banks of the Medway; it contains 1927 acres, and the population in 1831, according to the census then taken, amounted to 1462, but an extensive emigration having taken place from this parish, it may be doubted if the population is now so numerous. The Church here was built in the reign of Edward III. but the steeple is supposed to be part of an older structure. In 1836 and 37 the body of the church was much enlarged, and rendered very commodious at the expense of the pa-

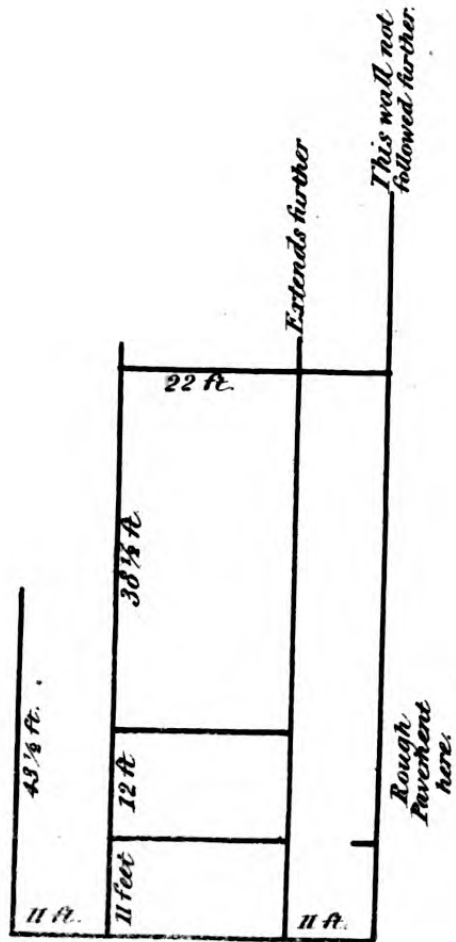




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**FOUNDATIONS OF A
ROMAN VILLA
AT EAST FARLEIGH**



rishioners, assisted by the society for building and enlarging churches. There is a national school here, in union with West Farleigh, for boys and girls, established 1819; and re-built and enlarged 1821.—The Vicar is the Rev. R. T. Wilberforce, son of the late Wm. Wilberforce, Esq. M. P.

CHARITIES.

About the year 1610, John Franklyn left lands in East Farleigh for the use of the poor, on which six alms-houses were built. And in 1638, George Carpenter, by his deed, at the requisition of Sir H. Tufton, Sir Edward Hales, Edward Maplesden, and others, commissioners for charitable uses, ratified and confirmed the devize of John Franklyn, and allowed the poor inhabiting the alms-houses to draw water at his well, on the payment of 2d. annually. The almshouses are still kept up.—There are some other minor charities.

ROMAN VILLA.

The foundations of a Roman Villa were discovered in March 1838, in the western part of the parish, in a field called Combe Town, belonging to I. H. Lewis, Esq., not far from the Medway. A measurement of these was taken as far as they could be followed, and as they were traced nearly in the direction of other foundations which were removed about nine years since, it is supposed the whole were originally connected in one building, and formed an extensive villa, in a quadrangular shape.—A copper coin, in fine preservation, with the head of the Emperor Florianus, who died A. D. 276, was also at the same time found, which, as he was only Emperor 80 days, may be presumed to be extremely rare.—*See Engraving annexed.*

WEST FARLEIGH

commands some of the richest views of landscape scenery in the county of Kent, and is ornamented by several plantations of hops, orchards, &c. In this parish there are several seats, among which may be enumerated

SMITH'S HALL,

the residence of Sir Henry Fitzherbert, Bart., which stands on the site of an old mansion, and for many ages past belonged to the Brewer family.

TUTSHAM,

or *Totesham Hall*, is situated about three quarters of a mile to the westward of the church. The present building is chiefly modern, but there are still parts of the original mansion visible. John de Totesham appears to have been one of the Judges of the great assize under King John.

THE CHURCH

is a small structure, in which are several neat monuments. The Rev. Robert Stevens, D. D. Dean of Rochester, is the present Incumbent.

BARMING.

The parish of Barming, anciently written *Barmelyne*, in the diocese of Rochester, and deanery of Malling, is situated on the gentle slope which forms the northern bank of the valley of the Medway, and from the churches on either side having for some distance but three bells each, formerly called Three-bell vale. Thus exposed to the south, this parish is one of the most fertile and healthy in the neighbourhood. Fruit and hops are the principal agricultural produce; but along the river side the meadow land is exceedingly beautiful; the land is generally favourable for corn. In the woods and meadows several of our rare English flowers have been gathered, and among others the *ophrys muscifera* and *apifera*, the *orobanche minor*; the *centauria solstitialis* has been met with; in the river, the *Butomus umbellatus* is sometimes found.

Till within a few years ago the remains of a Roman Villa and Bath might be seen in the meadow between the church and the river.

THE CHURCH,

which is dedicated so St. Margaret of Cappadocia, the martyr, is a Norman structure, and like many of the

churches in the south of England and Normandy, instead of being raised is a little lower than the land on which it is built. The tower and spire are exceedingly light and well proportioned. The chancel is a singular specimen of Norman architecture.—The presentation is in the gift of the Crown.

The PARSONAGE HOUSE is situated at the east end of the parish; near which several Roman coins have been dug up; and many coins of our early Edwards and Henrys have been found in the garden and premises. The present house was built a short time since by the rector, the Rev. C. Barham, in the modern Elizabethian style; and as an object of curiosity is well worthy the attention of the traveller.

The MANOR, which formerly stood a little to the north of the river, was given by William the Conqueror to R. de Towbridge; it afterwards became the country residence of the Abbess of St. Helen's; it was given by Hen. VIII. to Richard Cromwell; from him it passed through various hands to the Hon. P. Pusey, whose son sold it to J. Golding, Esq., who now resides there.

Besides the manor and parsonage, there are other good houses in the parish; among which we may notice, the Homestall, the seat of J. Ellis, Esq., and Fletcher's, the seat of C. G. Whittaker, Esq. Hale-place, the seat of the late J. Cale, Esq. who was a considerable benefactor to the parish, was burnt down a few years ago. There is also a neat house, very pleasantly situated on the Heath, surrounded by extensive gardens and shrubberies, now occupied by Mr. Thomas Tassell.

Several bodies were found some time since, in grubbing a field in Barming, which were doubtless the remains of the sufferers in the engagements related in our account of Maidstone, page 7.

Barming boasts of some literary men. Christopher Smart, the poet, was a native of the village of Shipbourne; he resided some time with his father at Hale-place, and was educated at Maidstone grammar-school; he was a Fellow of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge. His works are in two vols. 12mo.; Reading, 1791; also, vol. 11 in the edition of the British Poets, by Dr. Anderson.

The Rev. Mark Noble, F. S. A. was rector of this parish, and the author of several interesting historical works; but the name he has left for generosity and the true spirit of Christian piety as far exceeds that of his literary fame as the dignity of the Christian does that of any honor the world can confer. He died in the spring of 1827, regretted by all who knew him.

WEST BARMING,

commonly called *Barnjet*, is written variously in ancient records. The parish is very small, and the soil similar to that of East Barming. At the western boundary are the plantations of Barham Court; on the northern side is the seat of BARNJET, which was once part of the possession of Odo, bishop of Bayeux, under the general title of whose lands it entered in the record of Domesday. It was afterwards granted to the family of the Crevequer's, who held it under Richard I.

The whole of the parish of Barnjet formed part of the very extensive estates of the Amhurst family; after the sale of all their other property, they retained this house and the surrounding paddock, and here the last members of that family resided till their death. The remainder of the parish and a great part of Barming were purchased by the first Lord Barham.

The house has been recently purchased by John Whitehead, Esq., who has enlarged and embellished it with considerable taste.

The Church formerly stood on the south side of the house, but there is not a vestige of it remaining.

TESTON.

Teston, usually called *Teeson*, is four miles from Maidstone, and 10 from Tonbridge.—It is a very small parish, and contains but few inhabitants, who, for the most part, are agricultural labourers. The river Medway flows for some distance through the parish, nearly parallel with the high road, whence one of the most beautiful views in

the neighbourhood is obtained; indeed, few travellers pass this spot without experiencing the most agreeable sensations.

BARHAM COURT,

one of the seats of the Lord Barham, is in this parish. The park, gardens, and lands belonging to the house, are preserved in the highest condition, and are full of beauties. In this delightful retreat the Lady of the first Lord Barham, who suggested to the Christian-hearted Wilberforce that glorious work, which has made his name immortal, resided. Wilberforce, who frequently visited Barham Court, thus describes it, in a letter to Lord Muncaster. "It has none of the grand features of your northern beauties, but for the charms of softness and elegance, I never beheld a superior to Barham Court; and there is the *utile* with the *dulce*, for the most perfect specimen, I believe, in England, of the *ferme ornée* has been also one of the most profitable of farms."

TESTON CHURCH

is a plain building, sufficiently commodious for the inhabitants of the parish, but utterly insufficient to accommodate the many strangers who desire to resort thither. The incumbent and officiating minister is the Hon. and Rev. Francis J. Noel, A. M.

WATERINGBURY.

This parish is distant 5 miles from Maidstone; it lies on the high road to Tonbridge, from which place it is distant 9 miles. Wateringbury is one of the most attractive villages in this neighbourhood; its cherry, apple and filbert orchards and hop gardens have been long known and admired as the most fruitful in the county; which circumstance, with the beauty of its situation, the richness and variety of its scenery, the salubrity of its air, its beautiful meandering streams and its elegant villas, and respectable society, has fixed a character on Wateringbury which no other village in the neighbourhood has acquired.

The largest part of this parish is the property of Matthias Prime Lucas, Esq., alderman of London, who occupies

WATERINGBURY PLACE,

a capital mansion of the time of Queen Anne. This house was for nearly two centuries the residence of the ancient and honorable family of Style, formerly of Langley, in this county, by one of whom it was alienated to its present worthy possessor about the year 1820. The gardens and grounds are very beautiful, and the mansion itself abounds with articles of taste and *vertu*.

WATERINGBURY CHURCH

is a very ancient Gothic Building with a spire steeple; it contains several very handsome monuments, and within a few years has been elegantly fitted up and decorated. The Hon. and Rev. Jacob Marsham, D.D. prebendary of Rochester, is the Incumbent.

In the vestry of the church is preserved the “*Dumb Borsholder of Chart* ;” it is made of wood, $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet long, with a spike at the bottom. Formerly this “*Dumb Borsholder*” exercised the jurisdiction of a peace officer over a district of the parish, and had the privilege of being first called at the Court Leet of the Hundred, and every householder of the district was obliged to pay its keeper one penny yearly.

There are communications from this place to Maidstone, London, and Tonbridge Wells, by coaches, &c. several times a day.

 MEREWORTH.

Passing on from Wateringbury, towards Tonbridge, you arrive at *Mereworth*. The places worthy of notice in Mereworth, are

MEREWORTH CASTLE,

the seat of the Baroness Le Despencer, which was built by John, the 7th Earl of Westmoreland, A. D. 1740, after a plan, by Palladio, of a seat near Venice. The situation of this house is delightful, being watered in front with a river, and encompassed in the back with the most pleasing risings, forming a kind of theatre, and abounding with stately trees.

The house is built in a moat, and has four fronts, having each a portico. The hall in the centre forms a cupola, and receives its light from above. The wings are at a small distance from the house, and are elegantly designed. In the front of the house are the Mereworth Woods, through which an avenue, three miles in length, is cut, communicating with the London road. This place is considered one of the greatest ornaments of the county.

YOTE'S PLACE,

the seat of Lord Viscount Torrington, is a plain building, but pleasantly situated, commanding an extensive view of the weald of Kent and Sussex. A branch of the distinguished family of Walsingham owned this seat for above a century, and alienated it about A. D. 1650 to Jas. Master, a merchant of London, ancestor of the present Lord Torrington.

THE CHURCH

is a most elegant building, with a beautiful spire steeple, and a handsome portico in the front, with pillars of the Corinthian order. It was built about 1760, by a former Earl of Westmoreland, who pulled down the old church, which occupied the site of the west wing of Mereworth Castle. The present incumbent of this parish is the Hon. and Rev. Sir Francis Stapleton, Bart.

TOWN OR WEST MALLING,

is pleasantly situated, and surrounded by most delightful scenery, through which are numerous pleasing walks; the salubrity of this part is not to be excelled in the county. It lies on high ground, and is well watered. Two copious springs rise near the old chapel, in St. Leonard's-street, (noticed below), and forming a lake or sheet of water in front of St. Leonard's House, flows thence through the Abbey grounds, discharging itself by a cascade at the East entrance to the Town, and then pursuing its course through the village of Leybourne, Birling, and Snodland, empties itself at the latter place into the Medway. The distance from London is 29 miles and from Maidstone 6. The parish

contains about 1,320 acres, 260 of which are planted with hops. In 1801, the population of Malling was 1,302, and in 1831, 1,543.

This town is well built, and contains a number of respectable residences; the streets are of a handsome width, and well paved; the main street being about half a mile in length.—At the east end of Malling, is

THE ABBEY,

founded by Bishop Gundulph in 1090, for Benedictine Nuns. The approach to it is by a venerable gateway; and, notwithstanding the whole fabric was nearly pulled down by a former proprietor, many of the ancient buildings still remain. A handsome tower of the church, the front of which is decorated with intersecting arches and ziz-zag ornaments, similar to those on the west front of Rochester Cathedral, is still remaining, as is also an ancient chapel or oratory, now converted into a dwelling-house. From the foundations, discovered in levelling the ground, it appears that this Abbey consisted of two quadrangles or courts, with cloisters and a spacious hall; and that the Church had another tower similar to the one now standing. Great quantities of human bones, and two stone coffins with skeletons in them, have been dug up; several rings and trinkets, with some old coins, have also been found. Over the west end of the grand gateway there is carved in stone a heart distilling drops of blood; and on the other side, in a shield, *Ermine, a crozier in hand sinister, on a chief three amulets.*

In the meadows above the gardens are large square excavations, where the fish-ponds of the Nunnery were formerly situated. A rivulet of excellent clear water passes through the centre of the Abbey grounds, rising, as before noticed, at St. Leonard's, and discharging itself at the cascade fronting the road. Near the Abbey gate is an excellent mansion, having a large garden and canal, with pleasure grounds behind. The Abbey and its appurtenances were many years part of the possessions of the Honeywood family, from whom they passed by sale to G. F. Hatley Foot, esq., and from him, by devise, to Richard Losack, esq. and Anne his wife, who are the present occupants.

The ruined Tower of ST. LEONARD'S CHAPEL is also standing; it is a very strong remain, 71 feet high: the walls are 7 feet thick. It much resembles the keep of a Norman castle.

THE CHURCH,

which is dedicated to St. Mary, is a spacious and handsome fabric, consisting of a nave and chancel, with a Norman tower, and pilasters at the west end. The nave was rebuilt in 1778, when, in consequence of the decay of the main column, the whole roof fell in. The spire which rises from the ancient Tower having, from the decay of the timbers upon which it rests, deviated considerably from the perpendicular, and become in danger of falling, is in progress of being removed, and a new one substituted.

Farther southward is the

HAMLET OF ST. LEONARD,

now constituting part of the town, and called St. Leonard's-street, wherein is an ancient seat, some years back the residence of Charles Stewart, esq., whose father, Admiral Stewart, purchased it of Judge Twisden. It is now occupied by Mrs. Rix, the proprietor of a very respectable and well conducted establishment for Insane Patients.

The petty sessions of the upper south division of the lathe of Aylesford are held at Malling the first Monday in the month.—It has a grant of a market on Saturday, which is scarcely used, being superseded by Maidstone.—There are three fairs for cattle, viz. 12th August, 2nd October, and 17th November.

In 1623, Francis Tresse, described as of West Malling, yeoman, gave £40 towards erecting a free-school, and 32 feet in length and 16 feet in breadth of land to set it on the north end of his tenant, John Ryder's house, and 13s. 4d. yearly out of the house occupied by his tenant Ryder, for the reparations and better making of the school; and he directed that there should be placed a sufficient schoolmaster, by the minister of the parish and four of the best men of his name (Tresse), if there should be so many there then dwelling, if not then by four of the most substantial freeholders dwelling within the parish. The present trustees

are the vicar, the Rev. G. T. Bates, T. A. Douce, Edwin Stacey, James Graham, and John Dudlow, esqrs. A boys' school has been established by private subscription, who are educated in this building.—There is also a Sunday School for boys and girls, the numbers at present being about 150; they are instructed gratuitously by some of the male and female inhabitants of the parish.

In 1620, Sir Robert Brett, of West Malling, knt., directed his executors to assure so much of his lands as would be sufficient to maintain a weekly lecture at West Malling, at 10s. weekly to the preacher who should preach, and to 20 poor people who should attend the lecture; 10s. to be weekly bestowed in bread and meat, or else to be equally distributed in money amongst them. And he also gave to the preacher of East Malling £10 a year, for ever, towards the augmentation and bettering of his living. Those sums are now charged upon and paid out of an estate at Tewksbury, in Gloucestershire.

The four lecturers are the ministers of West and East Malling, Ryarsh, and Offham.

At the period of this augmentation to East Malling vicarage it should seem that it was of much less value than West Malling. The former, by change of circumstances, has increased to about double the amount of the latter: this may probably have arisen from East Malling being then covered to a great extent by Woods, which have now yielded to the more valuable cultivation of hops and fruit.

There is a very splendid monument to the memory of this Sir Robert Brett in the chancel of West Malling church.

Under the Poor Law Amendment Act, West Malling, and 21 surrounding parishes, were formed into a parochial union. The total population of which in 1831 was 16,398.

MALLING UNION POOR-HOUSE.

This house was erected under the provisions of the New Poor Law Act, in the year 1836; and is a substantial, plain brick building, calculated for the reception of 360 paupers, divided into four classes. It is situated on an elevated spot at the side of the road from West Malling to Mereworth, about one mile from the former place.

To the east of Town Malling, at the distance of about a mile nearer to Maidstone, stands the very pleasant and fruitful parish of

EAST MALLING.

The CHURCH, which is a very handsome building, with a square tower at the west end of it, is dedicated to St. James. It is a peculiar of the Archbishop of Canterbury, within the deanery of Shoreham.

BRADBOURNE, the seat of Sir J. Twisden, bart., is in this parish; it was built by his ancestor, Judge Twisden. Sir John is a widower, and has no issue living.

There is also a mansion, most agreeably situated on an eminence, and commanding some beautiful views, the present seat and residence of J. A. Wigan, esq., called CLARE HOUSE. There is a well regulated SUNDAY SCHOOL in this parish, for boys and girls; the number at present is 150. It also contains a good DAY SCHOOL, well endowed, for the education of the children of the poor, and is extremely well managed.

About 12 years ago, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, an opulent and benevolent lady, residing in a mansion near the Church, opposite the Vicarage-house, at her sole expense erected and endowed five commodious ALMS-HOUSES, with suitable gardens at the back of them, for the comfort and accommodation of five aged widows, belonging to the parish.—This lady still lives to witness the beneficial effects of her well-applied charity.

The manufacture of paper is carried on here to some extent, by Messrs. Tassell and Smith, which gives employment to a number of persons.

EAST MALLING HEATH, which a few years ago presented a barren tract of land, of about 200 acres, overgrown with scrubs and bushes, forms now a highly cultivated farm. It was rescued from its former state by John Larking, esq., who then resided at Clare House, and is now the property of John Wells, esq., of Beckly, formerly M. P. for Maidstone.

The soil of East Malling is very fertile, in corn, hops, and fruit; it extends northward for more than a mile to the River Medway, where is a hamlet, called

NEW HYTHE,

close to the river. There was formerly a Chapel to this district, which was suppressed in Edward the Sixth's time.

On the south side of the turnpike road to Maidstone, is another hamlet of East Malling, called

LARKFIELD.

On the Green on the north side (which is now enclosed), formerly stood a building, which was used as a Court-house for the manor of East Malling.

 AYLESFORD

is pleasantly situated on the northern banks of the Medway, about three miles from Maidstone, a parish in the hundred of Larkfield and lathe of Aylesford; the population of which, in 1831, was 1301.

In 455, a battle between the Britons and Saxons occurred at Aylesford, in which Horsa of the Saxons, and Catigern of the Britons, were slain; the success of which, for some time, remained doubtful, though ultimately it proved decisive on the side of the Britons.—In 1016, Edmund Ironside having secured a complete victory over the Danes at Otford, in this county, pursued them to Aylesford, where he routed them at a place called Fernham.

The CHURCH, dedicated to St. Peter, is an ancient and very handsome building, having a square (Saxon) tower, 60 feet in height, at the west end of the south aisle. It consists of two aisles, each 90 feet in length. Within the church, are monuments to Sir Paul Rycout, knt. celebrated for his travels in Asia, and as Ambassador to Constantinople in the reign of Charles II. He wrote a history of the Turkish Empire, and several other works still extant; and lies buried in the south chancel of the church. Under the arch which separates the north and south chancels, is an altar monument, on which lie the effigies of a knight in armour and his wife; also on the sides of the monument, three sons and three daughters, in alt relief. It was

erected to the memory of Sir Thomas Colepeper, by Dame Marie his wife. He died 12th October, 1604.—In the north-east corner of the north chancel is a very fine monument in marble, with two figures standing and one reclined, belonging to the family of the Earl of Aylesford. It is inscribed to Caleb Banks, who died 1696; Elizabeth Banks 1696, and John Banks 1699.—In the church-yard is the grave of J. Summerfield, esq., who was a pupil of the celebrated Bartolozzi.

THE HOSPITAL OF THE HOLY TRINITY.—John Sedley, esq. ordered by his will that a house should be built for six poor and impotent persons, in the street of Aylesford. He incorporated them as a body, by the name of the Hospital of the Holy Trinity. The Earl of Portmore, the last patron, having omitted to appoint any person to the Hospital for many years past, the state of the charity has been enquired into, and a report made by the Charity Commissioners. The case of the Hospital is now in the Court of Chancery, whose decision is anxiously expected.

THE FRIARS, commonly called the Priory, is now a mansion belonging to the Earl of Aylesford. It is situated close to the River Medway, at a small distance westward of the village, and was founded by Richard Lord Grey, of Codnor, for Friars Carmelites, in 1240. The hall of this house was the cloister of the Priory, in which the principal friars were buried. The chapel measures nearly forty-six feet. There are several small apartments attached to this building, one of which is ornamented with singular tapestry. Sir Charles Sedley, the poet, was born here, and Richard de Maydenstam, an author, died at this house in 1396.

PRESTON HALL, the seat of Charles Milner, esq. was formerly the residence of a branch of the Colepepers, until the reign of George I. when it passed in marriage with Alicia, sister of Sir Thomas Colepeper, to John Milner, esq. M. D. on whose family she settled this estate, with the manor of Aylesford. From Dr. Milner, it passed to Charles Milner, esq. father of the present owner, who was High Sheriff for the county in 1808.—Dr. Milner much improved the house and grounds, which are very pleasantly situated.

The Park is ornamented with oak and very fine elm trees, and rises by gently sloping ground from the banks of the river to the London road.

The road which crosses the park communicates with a **STONE BRIDGE** over the Medway, leading to Aylesford, from the London road. A few years ago the Bridge was very greatly improved for the navigation of the river, by throwing two arches into one, and at the same time it underwent a thorough repair.

KIT'S COTY HOUSE,

an ancient *Cromlech*, which stands on the Downs about one mile north-eastward from Aylesford church, and near to the Rochester road, is very generally supposed to have been the burial-place of Catigern, alluded to above. It is composed of four huge stones, unwrought, three of them standing on end, but inclined inwards, and supporting the fourth, which lies transversely over them, so as to leave an open recess beneath; the weight of these stones is calculated to be at least 29 tons. About 500 yards south-east from these has been another *Cromlech*, consisting of eight or ten stones, now lying in a confused heap.

B O X L E Y.

Adjoining Maidstone, north-eastward, lies the parish of Boxley, written in Domesday Book *Boseleu*, and in the *Textus Rofensis*, *Borele*, and *Boxle*; a parish noted for the assembly of the whole county, in the reign of William the Conqueror.

The village of Boxley is situated at the foot of the Chalk hills, over which the parish extends. The soil to the northward is chalky; in the centre and towards the west a deep sand, and south-east a fertile loamy earth, bounding upon the rock. The village contains many excellent houses. At the northern part is **BOXLEY HOUSE**, which is the property of the Earl of Romney, and now the residence of his son, Lord Marsham. Beyond this, is a dwelling, for many years the property and residence of the family of Charlton. The Parsonage and Vicarage is a genteel residence. **PARK HOUSE**,

an ancient mansion, once part of the estate of Boxley Abbey, is the seat of Colonel Best. It formerly belonged to Sir Thomas Wiatt, whose son forfeited this, among his other estates, to the Crown, for high treason. At the beginning of the last century, it was in the possession of the family of the St. John; in which line it remained till Mrs. St. John joining with her son, Paulet St. John, sold it in 1720 to Maudestley Best, Esq., son of Thomas Best, Esq., of Chatham, who resided and kept his shrievalty here in 1730; he died in 1740, leaving two sons, Thomas, late of Chilstone; James, of Chatham, who was succeeded by his nephew, the present owner; and a daughter, married to the Hon. Robert Fairfax, of Leeds castle.

Boxley was, at the taking of the survey of Domesday, part of the estates of Odo, Bishop of Bayeux, under the general title of whose lands it was therein entered. Upon the disgraceful conduct of that prelate, it became forfeited to the Crown. In 1146, William d'Ipre, Earl of Kent, who afterwards became a monk at Laon, in Flanders, founded

THE ABBEY

at this place, for brothers of the Cistercian order. Richard the First, in his first year, A. D. 1189, gave the manor of Boxley to this Abbey; which grant was confirmed by Henry III. That monarch also granted a weekly market within the manor of Boxley, which was held at a place called Farthings. Edward II. in his 15th year, honoured the Abbey with his presence, where, on the 25th of Oct., he granted to the aldermen and citizens of London the privilege of nominating a mayor from their own body; and Edward III. also accorded to the Abbots *free warren* in their manor of Boxele.

John Dobbs, the last Abbott, surrendered the establishment of Boxley into the hands of Henry VIII. on the 29th of January, in the 29th year of the reign of that prince.

Henry VIII. exchanged this monastery, with the house and site, for other premises, and granted the whole to Sir Thomas Wiatt. On the execution of his son for rebellion, this estate was confiscated to the Crown, when Queen Mary gave the manor to his widow, Lady Jane Wiatt; on

whose death her son George succeeded to the same; but the Abbey seems to have continued vested in the Crown, as Queen Elizabeth, in the 11th year of her reign, granted the site to John Astley for a term of 10 years. It was afterwards the seat of George Wiatt, Esq., who died in 1624, leaving several sons and daughters, and was buried in the chancel of All Saints, the church within the village.

Hante Wiatt became vicar of this parish; and Francis, the eldest, succeeded him in the manor of Boxley, who died in 1644. The venerable Abbey of Boxley has been honoured with the visits of several of our monarchs, and is now the residence of the Lady Maria Finch.

THE CHURCH,

which is dedicated to All Saints, is a small but neat fabric, and contains three aisles and chancel, with a handsome square tower, containing four bells, cast in 1652 by a Mr. Darby.

Boxley is within the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the deanery of Sutton. The vicar has all the tithes from wood, hops, hay, clover, cinque-foil, flax, fruit, and pasture. The manors and estates in Boxley are as follow; Newnham Court, Wavering Manor, Vinters, Overhill Farm, anciently called Overhelle, Court Lodge, and the Grove.—The Rev. Dr. Griffith, Prebendary of Rochester, is the present Vicar.

WEAVINGING,

is a hamlet in the parish of Boxley; the greatest part of which, as well as the manor itself, appears to have continued vested in the family of Hougham, in the reign of Rich. I.

PENENDEN HEATH,

is a spot celebrated for having been for ages past the place for the public meetings of the county. In the record of Domesday, mention is made that, when the inhabitants were summoned to collect *ad scirum*, that is, in public assembly at the *Shynegemot* or sheriff's town, for the trial of certain customs therein mentioned, it is specified that the populace should repair for that purpose as far as *Pinnedenna*, but no farther. Penenden Heath is also noted for having been the spot upon which the malefactors of Kent were

executed.—In 1830, a new Shire House was erected, where the County Meetings are usually held. The Sheriffs' County Court, for the recovery of debts, is also held here once a month.

FOLEY HOUSE,

the property and residence of Mrs. Tyssen, is situated on an eminence in park-like grounds, commanding a good view. It was built by the late W. G. D. Tyssen, esq., (some years since High Sheriff for the county), except portions of it, which are part of a former house. From the height of its situation it is a conspicuous object for a considerable distance round.

DETLING,

written in ancient records *Detlinget*, is a village eastward from Boxley. The soil of this place, and below the hill, consists in general of chalk; in the south-west part there is much coppice wood. This place is presumed to have been part of the ancient possessions of the Archbishopric of Canterbury, and so continued till the time of the conquest, when Odo, bishop of Bayeux, wrested it from that church; soon after which Archbishop Lanfranc coming to the see, recovered this manor among others, in the noted assembly held on Penenden Heath in 1076.

By the inquisition taken throughout England in the 12th and 13th of King John, it appears that Detling was in the possession of William de Detling, who held it of the Archbishop of Canterbury by knight's service, as half a knight's fee. Philipott says, there was once a report that a massy lance, cased over with thin iron plate, was preserved in this church, like that of William the Conqueror, at Battle, in Sussex, and deposited here as a memorial of their achievements in arms, and an emblem of their extraordinary strength and prowess. On a piece of ancient gravestone, some time since, there was the bust of a man, supposed to have belonged to the monument of Sir John Detling.

THE CHURCH,

situated at the south-west end of the village, is a small building, possessing a low pointed steeple. Anciently it was esteemed but as a chapel of ease to the church of Maidstone.—Opposite to the church has lately been erected a neat Vicarage-house, by the present incumbent, the Rev. R. Cobb.

Detling is within the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the diocese of Canterbury and deanery of Sutton.

A Court-baron is regularly held for the manor of Detling, the jurisdiction of which extends over the manor of Henkhurst, in Staplehurst.

 T H U R N H A M

is a small village, three miles from Maidstone. The only thing attractive is the remains of an ancient fortification, now called

THURNHAM CASTLE,

but formerly Godard's Castle, and the hill on which it stands was named Godard's Hill. Darell conjectures that this castle was erected by Godardus, a Saxon, from whom it took its name. That part which is now standing is about 14 feet high, and nearly three feet broad. The rest of the walls are demolished to the foundations, which are notwithstanding mostly visible. The area contains about a quarter of an acre of ground. On the east side of it was a Keep, placed on an artificial mount; in the middle of which there is an hollow as if the ground had fallen in, and filled a cavity underneath.

About half a mile from the Castle, is

THE CHURCH,

which is but a small building, and contains nothing particularly worthy of notice. A new *Parsonage House* has lately been erected by the present Incumbent, the Rev. J. M. Wilder, which is a very neat building.—To the east is

Aldington Court, having a double avenue of trees leading almost to Bearsted Green. ALDINGTON was formerly a distinct parish, but is now united with Thurnham.

In a field not far from Thurnham Church, the remains of a Roman building have been recently discovered. Some curious specimens of plain and ornamental Stucco, together with a few coins of some of the later emperors, and fragments of earthen vessels, were found within the square enclosed by the walls.

B E A R S T E D,

is a very neat village, about two miles on the eastern side of Maidstone; there are pleasant drives, excellent roads, and good prospects around it. The houses are erected chiefly round an open space of green turf, of about 3 acres, where cricket matches and other rural sports are played during the summer months. A good band of music, belonging to the village, performs on Sunday evenings in the months of June, July, and August, and is very attractive. There are some very respectable residences in this village; that of Major Wayth stands conspicuous on the south-eastern side of the green. This property formerly belonged to the Armstrong family, from whom it was purchased by the Major, who has greatly improved and enlarged it.—On the opposite side, on an elevation, surrounded by plantations, stands the newly-erected residence of James Jacobson, esq. On the southern side and adjoining the green is an exceedingly neat and pretty cottage, belonging to a gentleman named Clark. In the same parish, but at its southern boundary, stands the mansion of the Cage family, called MILGATE, which is pleasantly situated near the Ashford road, and surrounded by wood; it is now in the occupation of Sir John Croft, bart.

THE CHURCH

is an ancient structure, but has nothing very remarkable about it, except indeed some grotesque figures of animals on its tower, one is said to represent a lion, another a dog, a third a bear—from the latter it is supposed by some persons

Bearsted takes its name; but the greater probability is, that it is a corruption from Bartysted, as Barty is the present name of a house and land in the parish.

The Petty Sessions for the East Division of Aylesford are held here, the first Monday in the month.—There is also a post-office in the village.

Bearsted contains about 600 inhabitants, and as many acres of land. The land allotment system to industrious labourers has been in active operation in this parish for some years, under the superintendence of a committee and treasurer, of which Major Wayth is chairman, who with the committee take much interest in its success. The system is understood to work well. The allotments vary from 20 perches to half an acre, for which the holders pay at the rate of 40s. per acre, all charges included. On the rent-day, which is once a year, the payer is presented with a ticket, which entitles him to a plain but substantial supper, and one quart of good ale. The expense of this supper is defrayed by subscriptions from the principal land-owners and clergymen of the parish. At these suppers the chairman and committee always attend. During the year 1838, there were 38 allotment holders, 37 of whom attended at the time appointed with the full amount of their rent. The 38th was sick, but sent the money, so anxious are all the holders to keep their respective allotments.

HOLLINGBOURN

is a village four miles from Maidstone, and about 200 yards on the left of the Ashford road. The street is on a branch road from Hollingbourn to Sittingbourn. It is bounded on the north by the high range of hills running along the northern part of Kent. The prospect from these hills is very beautiful, and so extensive that it commands a view on a clear day as far as Fair-Light downs, in Sussex, a distance of more than 40 miles. The western hill of the two, which the Sittingbourn road divides, is said to be the highest ground but one in the county, and that during the war the beacon at night placed on the top of this was visible for many miles round. On the summit of the eastern hill is the seat of B. D. Duppa, esq. The soil of this range is

chalky, and there being lime-kilns on the hill, the trade in lime with the neighbouring farmers is very great. The village of Hollingbourn is formed of two streets, with the Church between them. The population, according to the last census, was 943, and assessed at £5,375.

The CHURCH is very neat and commodious. It is decorated with some very splendid ornaments, and possesses many ancient monuments; among them are several to the memory of the Colepeper family, who many years ago resided in this parish. Of these, one records the memory of John Lord Colepeper, who was Master of the Rolls and Privy Counsellor to Charles I. and II. When Chancellor of the Exchequer, he took an active part in the battles of Keinton and Newbury; was with Charles II. during ten years of his exile, and returned with him on the glorious 29th May 1660; he died on the 11th day of the following July, and is buried in this church. The altar cloth, pulpit cloth, and cushion, which are of purple velvet, beautifully wrought with the figures of grapes and pomegranates, in gold, were given by the daughters of Lord Colepeper, who employed themselves nearly 12 years in working them. The church has a very good peal of bells, consisting of six, and possesses, as a country church, a fair choir of singers.

A little beyond the church, in the upper street of the two, is an old remarkable and very extensive house, in the Gothic style, now the property of Lord Jersey. This formerly belonged to the Colepeper family.—Hollingbourn is extensively known as possessing a large boarding-school, established about 30 years since, and is considered a favoured and healthy spot for a school, on account of its retired situation, and for its very pure and salubrious atmosphere. There is likewise a ladies' boarding-school in the place, with some minor schools. A large proportion of the mechanical part of the population are paper-makers: there are two mills in the village, which likewise employ a great number of females; also a very extensive tan-yard, in the lower-street, the property of Mr. Joseph Oliver.

HOLLINGBOURN UNION POOR HOUSE.

This building, erected in 1836, unlike most of the other

Union Houses in this county, presents a cheerful appearance, being situated at a short distance from the turnpike-road from Maidstone to Ashford, about four miles from the former place, on a fine sandy soil, with a good elevation to the road. The interior arrangements are very complete, comprising lofty and well ventilated sleeping apartments, with good airing yards. An excellent chapel has lately been added. The house is calculated for the accommodation of 350 paupers, divided into four classes.

LEEDS CASTLE,

with its surrounding demesne, which is partly in the parish of Leeds, and partly in that of Bromfield, forms a very distinguishing feature in the central division of this county. The site of the castle is rather low, in respect to the grounds to the south and east; but to the north-west it commands an extensive distance over a finely diversified country. This fortress is situated in a beautiful park, and environed by a very broad moat, which is supplied with water by the Len rivulet, so called from its rising in Lenham parish. The entrance is towards the west, by a stone bridge of two pointed arches, communicating with a strong gateway, of considerable depth, and still in good preservation, with deep grooves for port cullisses; another gateway, apparently of great strength, which defended the entrance of the bridge, is in ruins. Opposite the entrance are the state or principal apartments, having had a handsome uniform front of rustic stonework added thereto by the present proprietor. The windows, though sashed, are arched in the Gothic taste, and the parapet is also embattled. Behind this building, over a bridge of two arches, which was formerly a drawbridge, but now built on and enclosed as a passage, is a large erection, constituting the extremity of the castle. It is a very handsome structure, of fine workmanship, intended, no doubt, for beauty as well as strength, and seems to be of the period of Henry the Eighth.

Lord Fairfax died in 1793, when this castle and manor, with the rest of his estates in this county, devolved upon

his nephew, the Rev. Denny Martin, who assumed the name and arms of Fairfax; at whose demise it came into the possession of General Martin, who left it by will to the present owner, Fiennes Wykeham Martin, esq., who held his Shrievalty here in 1824. It is now the residence of his eldest son, Charles Wykeham Martin, esq. The Rev. Richard Martin also occupies one of the Towers, which is fitted up as a separate residence.—The distance from Maidstone about five miles.

LINTON

is a village about four miles from Maidstone. It was anciently written *Lyllyngton*, and in Latin *Lillintuna*, which name was probably derived from the old English word *lyttan*, implying little or small, and *stane*, a stone, owing to the upper part of this parish abounding in quarry rock.

Linton parish adjoins Coxheath, the summit of which is the northern boundary of the Weald of Kent. The village is situated about half a mile from the heath, the air of which is very salubrious.

The chief part of the parish of Linton is within the bounds of the manor of East Farleigh. This place is not mentioned in Domesday, having been most probably included in the description then given of the manor of East Farleigh.

LINTON PLACE,

formerly called *Capell's Court*, is a spot of importance in this parish. It originally derived its name from the family of the Capells, who for some time possessed this estate. They were called, according to the custom of the time, *at Capell*, their principal residence having been at Capell's Court, in Ivehurch, Romney Marsh. Linton Place is now the seat of the Right Hon. the Earl Cornwallis.

The Church, which is dedicated to

ST. NICHOLAS,

is situated at the east end of the village, and is a small

edifice. The interior is neat, and contains many excellent monuments: in the north chancel, is a beautiful one to the memory of Viscount Brome, only son of the Earl Cornwallis, a young nobleman of great promise, who died at the early age of 22. It is a recumbent figure of white marble, executed by Bailey. The figure, which is understood to be a correct likeness, is represented lying on a mattress, the head a little inclined, one hand falling by the side, the other folded across the breast and grasping the drapery. The whole is executed with that truth, simplicity, and ease, which marks the highest style of art. On the pedestal is the appropriate inscription—

“ He is not dead, but sleepeth.”

Facing this, upon the wall, is a monument, executed by the same artist, to the memory of Mrs. Mann, mother of the young nobleman above mentioned. It consists of a tablet, and a mourning figure seated by the side of the tablet.

There is also a mural tablet, containing two urns and an inscription to the memory of Viscount Brome and his sister, the Lady Jemima Isabella Wykeham Martin, who died soon after her brother. The inscription concludes with the words—

“ They were lovely in their lives, and in their deaths they were not (long) divided.”

The exterior of the Church is plain, having a spire steeple. The parsonage as well as the advowson of the vicarage was held by grant from the Crown, in the reign of Elizabeth, by Alexander Grygsby, gent., in which name they continued in 1640. In 1728, they were purchased by Robert Mann, Esq. of Linton Place, when they passed to Sir Horace Mann, Bart., who afterwards possessed the same.

Linton is within the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the diocese of Canterbury and deanery of Sutton. There are several excellent cottages in the village, lately erected by the Earl Cornwallis, in the Gothic style, which have a very cheerful appearance, and add much to the comfort of the cottagers.

COXHEATH

is adjoining Linton, about three miles in length, and in some places more than a mile in width. It is generally esteemed a most healthy spot, but not well watered. In 1756, there was an Hanoverian camp of 12,000 men; and in 1778 there were 15,000, who were reviewed by George III. In several subsequent years there were also large encampments; the last was in 1804. The situation of this was to the east of the turnpike road towards Boughton, except the Waggon-train and Artillery, which were on the other side. The head-quarters were at Linton Place. This encampment having been continued late in the year, it is remembered the troops suffered much from cold. In 1814, the Heath was enclosed, since which many houses have been built in different parts. There is also a chapel for the Independent denomination, calculated to hold about 150 persons, which has a Sunday school for nearly a hundred children.

At a short distance from the road, has latterly been erected the

MAIDSTONE UNION POOR-HOUSE,

which is a large and substantial brick building, surrounding a square erected for the accommodation of 600 paupers, on an elevated and healthy spot, about four miles from Maidstone.

The entrance is under an archway, on the right and left of which are the porter's and receiving rooms, the board-room, and various other offices, and a spacious chapel over these apartments; also in the front range of buildings the infirmaries are placed. On passing the first or outer court, you enter the master's apartments, from the windows of which a perfect view of the several yards is obtained. The paupers are divided into six classes, exclusive of the infirmaries.

This building was erected at an expense of above £7,000, and opened for the reception of paupers in March 1838.

BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA,

written in Domesday *Boltone*, is about three miles from Maidstone. Part of the parish is called Boughton Quarry, from the immense quantities of stone abounding in its vicinity. To the lover of picturesque scenery, this village and its interesting localities, will afford unusual gratification. The glen, or valley, approaches to a well cultivated *parterre*, from which a pleasing view of the surrounding hills is commanded.

This parish appears to have been part of the possessions given by William the Conqueror to his half brother, Odo, bishop of Bayeux, from whom the Manor passed into the possession of the family of *Montchensie*. The property afterwards descended to the Houghams, of Hougham, in this county, in the reign of Henry VIII. and passed to Sir Thos. Wiatt; since which many eminent families have possessed it. It is now held by Thomas Rider, Esq., who was High Sheriff for the county in 1829; and in 1831 and 1832, represented the county in Parliament.

In this parish was formerly a cavern, denominated **TINKER'S HOLE**, which derived its name from the circumstance of an itinerant brazier who used it as a residence and workshop. It was destroyed about 12 years since.

At the end of Coxheath, eastward, is the **HAMLET** of **COCK-STREET**, usually called *Boughton Cock*, which is the sign of a public-house there; a little to the southward of which, at the edge of the Heath, is the Parsonage. In the *Philosophical Magazine*, new series, vol. 1, p. 73, is an account of the discovery of Fossil Hyænas in the extensive quarries in this parish.

The Church, which stands half way down the hill southward, is dedicated to

ST. PETER.

In the chancel are many singular monuments; that of Sir Christopher Powell, by Scheemaker, is a splendid ornament, and worthy of notice. On the 30th of December, 1832, the body of this church was destroyed by fire; it has

since been restored. The building is small and possesses a handsome square tower at the centre.

SEATS.

WIARTON HOUSE, in this parish, which anciently gave name and residence to a family that possessed this property, is the residence of Fairfax Best, Esq.—BOUGHTON TON PLACE, the seat of Thomas Rider, Esq., is pleasantly situated near the cemetery, having an extensive prospect southward over the Weald, the park being well wooded and watered.—BOUGHTON MOUNT, formerly called *Wychden*, a seat in this parish, situated on the northern side of Coxheath, near Loose, was built by the late J. Braddick, esq. It is now the residence of Mrs. Braddick and her son.

Boughton Monchelsea is within the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the diocese of Canterbury and deanery of Sutton.

L O O S E,

which is at the distance of two miles from Maidstone, is situated on a stream which almost washes the doors of several houses. This place, which is not mentioned in Domesday book, is considered to be included among the lands of East Farleigh, mentioned there. It is not of large dimensions, comprehending only about 800 or 900 acres, and by the last census 882 inhabitants. There are several paper-mills here, which employ many of the inhabitants; and formerly there were four tan-yards, which are now discontinued. The site of the village is abundant in springs of excellent water, several very limpid ones breaking forth at the bottom of Well-street, and some arising immediately from the Church-yard; one also flows through part of the Vicarage House. The walk hither from Tovil through the Valleys is considered very beautiful. This village is the thoroughfare from the Weald, and about seven years since a great improvement was made by filling up the Valley, and cutting down the banks on each side, by which the steep hill here is altogether avoided, where many accidents from time to time took place. An arch of 50 feet span admits the passage of

the stream, and the road skirting it underneath. The soil of this parish is very fertile in hops, fruit, and corn.

THE CHURCH,

which is dedicated to All Saints, and which has a shingled spire, is situated in the midst of the village. It was considerably enlarged in 1820. In the chancel window, over the altar, are the arms of the Freminghams, as given in *Streatfeild's Excerpta Cantiana*, twice delineated; a family who formerly had possessions here: also another shield—Azure a Saltire argent between three leopards' faces of the same.—This living, which is a perpetual curacy, is endowed with the Vicarial tithes. In 1702 it was augmented with a bequest of £500, by Richard Beale, esq. of Hayle Place, but then of Hamburg, with which 40 acres of land were purchased at Smarden.—The Burying-ground was enlarged by the purchase of a piece of land by the parish in 1829. The present vicar is the Rev. William Elwyn; the Officiating Minister, the Rev. F. T. Gregory.

LOOSE COURT,

is the residence of Edward Penfold, esq., lessee of the manor of the church of Canterbury. It is very advantageously situated, and the estate is fertile and well cultivated. The hedges here round some of the fields are much noted, being about 20 feet high, and probably are of great use in affording shelter from winds. Near Mr. Penfold's are also some ornamental sheets of water, called Loose Ponds. To the manor belong quit-rents of several pieces of land adjoining, in Maidstone, also of a detached portion, it is believed, in East Farleigh.

MANOR OF LOOSE, *alias* PIMPE'S COURT.

This is another manor of the same name in the parish, which formerly belonged to the Freminghams, and afterwards for a length of time seems much mixed up and identified with Pimpe's Court, in East Farleigh. It is frequently mentioned in the Public Records, but what lands it possessed, or whether it had any mansion in the parish, is not known. It is thus described in a latin manuscript, date Hen. VII.

or VIII.: "The manor of Loose, lately called Pympe's Court, in Loose, and a fulling mill, in Loose aforesaid, with the appurtenances, held of the King."—*Vide Philipot's Collections for Kent: Lansdown MSS. British Museum.*

SALT'S PLACE,

is an old mansion, formerly belonging to the Bufkin family, and some years ago inhabited by the Misses Martin, sisters to the late General Martin, of Leeds Castle. It is situated in a retired but rather romantic spot, near where the springs gush out with great strength, adjoining the upper ponds. In the garden here are two majestic cedars, perhaps till lately the finest in the county; but having been much broken up by the storm which occurred 29th Oct., 1836, will probably never recaver their former imposing appearance. Below the foot-path leading from hence to Boughton Green, is a

ROMAN ENCAMPMENT,

as supposed, which is in a corn field and piece of woodland, belonging to Mrs. Braddick, and occupied by Mr. Cull; some small portion remains. The greater part was levelled down and spread over the adjoining land above 20 years ago, by Mr. Charlton, then proprietor of the site.

THE LOOSE STREAM,

which, in the course of about two miles, has 180 feet fall, is one of the most important to manufacturers in the kingdom. It is mentioned by the celebrated antiquary, Camden, who lived in the reign of James I., as having, in his time, 13 fulling mills upon it in its short course. Of that number, however, only 12 can now be accounted for, including one discontinued nearest the upper ponds. This stream rises near Langley Church, disappears in the ground at Brishing, and rises again at Boughton Quarries, though a great part is lost there by taking a different direction while underground. The mills on it were originally for the purpose of dressing the woollen cloth manufactured in the Weald of Kent, and which was brought to them on pack-horses from the places where it was made. It is observable, there is a road to each, com-

municating by the shortest cut with that leading to the Weald. In those days the dwelling-house of the mill was invariably over the great water-wheel; and the mills themselves were comparatively small and insignificant structures to what they are at present, having been much enlarged in modern times, particularly since the introduction of steam. On the cloth manufacture in this county being removed to the north of England, they were chiefly converted into paper mills.

IVY MILL,

partly in Loose and partly in Maidstone parish, is the property of Messrs. Smith and Allnutt, which latter resides here. It formerly belonged to Mr. Thomas Pine, from whose residence at a house at Cripple-street, Loose, covered with ivy, and called the Ivy House, it is said to have acquired its present name.—LITTLE IVY MILL, adjoining, is the property of Sir Peter Pole, late Mr. Edmeads, and is also occupied by Messrs. Smith & Allnutt.—Near which is,

WOODLAWN,

a house in the villa stile, also the property of Sir Peter Pole, pleasantly situated on a bank. The Rev. John Jebb, a near relation of the late Bishop of Limerick, resides here.

HAYLE MILL,

requires notice as an instance of such a structure formed of late years, which does not often occur in this part of the kindgom. It stands on lands formerly belonging to Hayle Place, and after some difficulties, arising from the novelty of the undertaking and other causes, was completed in 1808.—The present occupier is Mr. John Green.

TOVIL MILL,

which is one of the largest mills in the county, was at different times almost entirely new built by Mr. Taylor, a former proprietor. Mr. Joseph Ruse, who succeeded him in the possession of it, enlarged the head of water to its present size, at a considerable expense, in moving the earth

and embankments. He also increased the mill to four vats. Messrs. R. and T. Turner are the present proprietors and occupiers.

TOVIL OIL MILL,

which is the lowest down the stream, and adjoins the Medway, is occupied by W. T. Steinmetz, esq., whose father, residing at Hackney, is the proprietor of it. This, many years ago, was a gunpowder mill, and tradition has preserved the memory of a severe explosion occurring here, occasioning the loss of several lives; by which the farmhouse on the opposite bank of the river was so much shaken, the direction of the wind probably concurring with the force of the shock, as to require part of it to be supported with props for many years afterwards, and which indeed was done till lately, when it was pulled down.

OTHER MILLS ON THE STREAM.

The Messrs. Hollingworth have two near Salts, of which they are the proprietors and occupiers; the upper one of which is used as a washing-mill to the lower. The Dean and Chapter of Canterbury have three, which are flour-mills; one at Loose, occupied by Messrs. Wilson, and two near Mount Ararat, called Chrisbrook Mills, occupied respectively by Mr. Robert Wilson and Mr. Bunyar. Besides these is another, called Bockingsford Mill, occupied by Mr. Green, and used as a washing mill, the proprietor of which is Mr. Habgood, of Essex. Also, Lower Tovil Mill, the property of H. Alnutt, esq., and occupied by Messrs. Smith and Alnutt, the former of whom resides here.

HUNTON.

To the south of Maidstone, at a distance of five miles, and near Coxheath, stands the picturesque village of HUNTON. It abounds in hop gardens and fruit orchards, and is well timbered with oaks. The population is 800. There is a seat here, JENNINGS, which belonged to the late Lady Twisden, who resided in it upwards of fifty years, and whose life was a continued series of benevolence and

charity to her poor neighbours. Adjoining this stands the **PARSONAGE**, a beautiful spot of ground, with a good house, 24 acres of glebe, and an excellent walled garden.—Close to the Church is **COURT LODGE**, the property of T. T. Alkin, Esq., the present High Sheriff of the county. The interior of

THE CHURCH

is superior to that of many country churches. It is ornamented with two fine monuments of the family of the Fanes, whose residence, Burston Park, was in this parish, till the house at Mereworth was built by Lord Westmoreland. There is also a fine bust of H. Hatley, Esq. done by Roubiliac. A gallery has lately been added for the children of the **SCHOOLS**, which are endowed by a legacy of the late Bishop Porteus, and have been recently erected at the cost of the Rev. R. Moore, the present rector. It should also be mentioned, to the honor of that excellent man, Bishop Porteus, who was rector of this parish for 22 years, that he left a legacy of £1,000 stock in Consols, the interest to be divided annually among six poor families of the parish, at the discretion of the minister.

One of the first Apiarians in the kingdom, Mr. Golding, resides at Hunton. His scientific improvement in the management of bees stands pre-eminent, and an inspection of his Apiary is recommended to those who take a pleasure in this interesting part of natural history.

YALDING,

a large parish, lying on a stream of the Medway, flowing from Hunton, and joining the main stream a little below Yalding town.

Yalding is entirely an agricultural village, and produces good crops of corn and hops. The manor of Yalding is the property of Lord Barham. The Court-lodge of the manor is a handsome residence, occupied by Mrs. Warde.

KENWARDS

is the principal seat in this parish. The house, which lies on the banks of the Medway, is large and handsome, and

the grounds are well stocked with ornamental timber. It belongs to Sir John Kenward Shaw, bart. ; but at present it is unoccupied.

THE CHURCH

is a large handsome building, but contains nothing remarkable.—In the church-yard is a plain headstone to the memory of John the 8th Earl of Leicester, who lived in this parish, but, being a Roman Catholic, never took his seat in the House of Lords.—The patronage of the living of Yalding has been in the family of the Wardes for nearly three centuries.—The present Incumbent is the Rev. Richard Warde, who resides in a handsome Parsonage-house, erected by one of his ancestors.

NETTLESTEAD

is an interesting village, lying on the turnpike road from Maidstone to Brenchley, about six miles from Maidstone, and one mile from Watlingbury, and bounded on the east by the River Medway.

NETTLESTEAD PLACE,

still so called, but now used as a farm-house, was for many centuries the residence of the ancient family of the Pimpes. Here Lady Scott, of the same family, a zealous protestant, entertained Queen Elizabeth.—The part of the mansion remaining appears to have formed the southern wing. There are still some very curious gothic arches and windows, and the remains of a very fine oak pannelled ceiling.

NETTLESTEAD CHURCH,

contains fine remains of painted glass ; it is a small building, and was erected by one of the family of the Pimpes about A. D. 1440. Here is a handsome marble monument to the memory of the Lady Scott, before mentioned. The Church is an appendage to the manor of Nettlestead, now part of the estates of Lord Barham. The present Incumbent is the Hon. and Rev. F. I. Noel, and the Officiating Minister, the Rev. W. F. Cobb.

LANGLEY.

The parish of Langley (meaning long pasture) lies over and to the north of the limestone hills, which command and form the boundary of the Weald of Kent, being in the hundred of Eyeborne, Deanery of Sutton and Diocese of Canterbury. It has a small Church dedicated to St. Mary, containing a nave, with a low entrance porch to the south, a north aisle and chancel, in the east end of which there is a late pointed window. There is a low modern brick tower to the west, surmounted by a wooden spire. It is entirely without monuments or works of interest to claim the attention of the curious enquirer. The living is a rectory, in the gift of P. Pusey, esq. M. P. of Pusey House, Berkshire. The present Incumbent is the Rev. J. E. Gambier.

LANGLEY PARK AND MANOR,

once belonged to Odo, Bishop of Bayeux, on whose disgrace the Ashway family became possessed of it; from whom it passed to the Leyburns, and by Juliana Leybourne, heiress of that powerful family, it was conveyed in marriage to William de Clinton, who had license of Edward III. to enlarge the park with 200 acres of land. Lambarde speaks of the park, which must have been very extensive, as being destroyed previous to the year 1570. The whole seems to have been alienated shortly after to the St. Legers, a family of note in these parts, from whom it passed by sale through divers families until it came into the possession of the Bouveries, by whom it was exchanged for other lands to Lord Romney, ancestor to the present proprietor.

Adjacent to the site of the old manor-house are large woods, through which have been cut some pleasant rides. In the park-vale are spacious winding ponds, which, from the contiguous rising grounds, have a fine effect; together with the pleasing though rather limited scenery around. The stream which supplies these ponds rises to the surface in its first appearance between the

Church and the Heath, a little above Saywells pits;* but from the form of the valley on and for a mile to the east of Langley Heath, there can be no doubt that, at some remote period, this stream rose to the surface at the commencement of the vale; but finding a passage through the limestone strata, which underlies this part of the county, it deserted its former bed for a lower course, and meeting with an obstruction at its present first rising, some portion of its water is thereby forced up. The same thing occurs at several places in the valley, as an increased volume of water from other bubbling sources testifies. There is a well at some distance above the first rising which in rainy seasons overflows, but in general the water is drawn with a bucket. At Brissing, an old manor in this parish, the whole stream sinks into the earth, and re-appears a short space below the quarries at Boughton, and, after joining other streams at Loose, accompanies them to the Medway at Tovil.

CHART NEXT SUTTON VALENCE

is a parish in the Hundred of Eyhorne, in the Deanery of Sutton and Diocese of Canterbury. It stretches from the north, where it joins to Langley, over the limestone ridge into the Weald, and is both fertile and pleasant, affording from many parts most extensive and delightful views, and more particularly from a hill called Scotsman Bank.

The CHURCH is dedicated to St. Michael, and is all modern but the steeple, which has been lowered and deprived of its battlements. The ancient fabric being destroyed by lightning in the year 1779, was re-built in a plain and tasteless style, by the donations of the Archbishop and the nobility and gentry of the neighbourhood; a list of the donors, being suspended on the interior walls of the church. The altarpiece is a screen of four Corinthian pilasters, with pan-

* There is an account in Kilburn of these pits, which he says before any battle would be dry, but if there was to be no hostile encounter they would be full even in the driest summer. I have been told by people of credit, that some farmers have been known on their way to Maidstone market to consult these pits, to learn the best times of sale for their grain. If the water was rising, it was thought corn would rise; if falling, corn would fall.

nelled intervals and an enriched entablature; the whole tolerably well executed. The living is in the patronage of the Dean and Chapter of Rochester; the present incumbent being the Rev. Walter Arnold Vaughan, who has lately restored and enlarged the vicarage house.

BOUVERIE HALL, commonly called *Chart Place*, is pleasantly situated near the Church, upon the slope of the line of hills in this parish, fronting towards the south, and commanding most extensive and beautiful views. This mansion was erected by Sir Christopher Desbouverie, about the year 1708, who left it to his daughter, Mrs. Bouverie, of Teston, in 1733; since which it has been greatly improved by different proprietors. It is now the property of Robert Hazell, esq. who occasionally resides here.

NORTON was formerly a manor in this parish, belonging to a family bearing that name, one of whom in a Kentish Tournament, in the times of Richard II. encountered one Christmas, of East Sutton, who bore on his tabard arms, meetly expressive of his name, *viz.* Gules upon a bend sable, three wassail bowls or; and which arms were in one of the south windows of the old church at Sutton Valence. There is nothing left of Norton Place, the old manor-house, but a large brick barn still remains and indicates the probable site.

There is an estate at Almerly Green, in this parish, which formerly belonged to Leeds Priory, and most likely received its name from the purposes to which its revenue was appropriated. The house, which is of timber and very ancient, is now occupied by a farmer, who rents the property.

About half a mile to the eastward of the Church is Le Haddes, now corrupted to Laddes Court. The house was a few years since an excellent specimen of a respectable timber house of the Tudor age, but the repairing hand of an injudicious modern has effaced almost every ancient feature, and little now is left but an incongruous mass. On this property are some of the most copious springs of water that issue from the south side of the limestone hills.

In the lower parts of this parish are some places bearing

the name of Den, which was a common appellation in early times for a forest right in the Weald.

On the road to Tenterden, about five miles south-east of Maidstone, is

SUTTON VALENCE,

a parish in the same hundred and ecclesiastical division of the county as Chart, to which it joins on the west. The village is principally built on the side of the hill, and the houses generally command pleasant views over the extensive valley to the south.

The CHURCH is a recently built structure, quite plain and uninteresting. The living is in the gift of the Dean and Chapter of Rochester, who own the parsonage with its attached manor and castle ruins. The vicar is the Rev. J. Barnewall, incumbent of Holford, Somerset, where he at present resides, the churches of Sutton Valence and East Sutton being served by a resident curate.

In the centre of the village is a GRAMMAR SCHOOL, with a good house for the master; and six almshouses, which, together with the school, were founded and endowed by William Lambe, gentleman of the chapel to Hen. VIII. The trusteeship is vested in the worshipful company of Clothworkers, who have lately appointed the Rev. Cecil Goodchild master.—Mr. George Maplesden bequeathed an annuity of £5 to the usher, and the Rev. Francis Robins gave two exhibitions, of £10 a year each, to St. John's College, Cambridge, for scholars educated at this school. This gentleman left £3 per annum to the poor of this parish; and there is also a benefaction to poor women, left by Sir Beversham Filmer, bart.

On a cliff to the east of the village which it commands, stands the ruined and ivied keep of an *early* Norman fortress, and which once belonged to the powerful Earls of Pembroke; from one of whom, this parish has borrowed its distinctive adjunct—Valence. This CASTLE is supposed to have been erected on the site of a Roman watch tower, which opinion is strengthened, by the discovery of some sepulchral remains

of that people in the immediate neighbourhood. More than twenty years ago, were destroyed the foundations of a building of great strength and thickness, about forty yards to the east of the present remains, and connected thereto by a long wall, pulled down a few years before, every trace now effaced. It would therefore seem, that this castle had been at some remote period an important feudal stronghold. Philipot speaks of the ruins as magnificent in his time. The ruined cells near the summit of the keep, and which are easily attained, afford by far the finest and most extensive prospects in this neighbourhood. From these parts of the ruins may be enjoyed, a view of the sea at Dungeness, nearly the whole of the Weald of Kent, and part of the Weald of Sussex, as far as Crowborough Beacon, the highest hill in that county. But this picturesque remnant of bygone feudal power is so much undermined at the south-east angle, that unless some repairs are made, which would incur but trifling expense, that part of the keep must fall from want of support, and this danger is only at present averted, by the tenacity of the walls, which, having been built in a case, are cemented together in one solid mass.

In Bower-Halls, fields so called at the back and to the north of the village, were discovered, in the year 1743, two Roman sepulchral vessels of glass, containing some liquid and small bones; and one of brass, with a wrought base and cover. These remains were placed in a small oval cavern, the interior of which was very neatly smoothed. A few years since other remains of the same kind were found near the same spot, and were lately in the possession of a gentleman resident at Maidstone. Adjacent, is a field bearing the name of Bloody Mountains, which may be a brief record of some hostile encounter, the circumstances of which have passed into oblivion, and the fact, if such it is, become a mere conjecture.

E A S T S U T T O N,

a parish adjoining Sutton Valence, and the living, a vicarage, being annexed thereto as a Chapelry. The Dean and Chapter of Rochester are the patrons, and also the proprietors of the Parsonage and the impropriate tithes.

The CHURCH is dedicated to Saints Peter and Paul, and is rather a handsome edifice, the whole being a late specimen of the perpendicular style, with the exception of the north chancel, which is early decorated; having a good window of that period with geometrical tracery, in which are some mutilated remains of painted glass. Beneath the eastern arch, which separates *this* from the middle chancel, is a monument to the memory of Robert Filmer, esq., who was for the space of twenty years prothonotary to the Court of Common Pleas at Westminster, in the reign of Elizabeth. Within the altar rails is a curious brass plate, with the effigies of Sir Edward Filmer and Dame Elizabeth his wife, engraved thereon, together with those of their numerous issue, nine sons and nine daughters. The eldest son, Sir Robert, being the author of "Patriarcha," lies buried in this church, with many others of the same family. There is in the window of the south chancel a small portion of ancient painted glass remaining, and a good monument of the Randolphins, with the figures in marble of Edmund Randolph and Margaret his wife (kneeling), beneath an arched recess, date 1609. Near is a mural tablet to the memory of Richard Argol and his wife Mary, daughter of Sir Reginald Scott, of Scotts Hall, in this county, by whom he left issue one son, John, and two daughters, Catharine and Elizabeth; the last was married to Sir Edward Filmer, of Little Charlton, who purchased of his brother-in-law, John Argol, esq., the mansion and manor of East Sutton, in the 8th year of James I.

EAST SUTTON PLACE is an ancient mansion, of the Tudor period, and was probably built by the Argol family; there being an old oak screen in the hall, with the initials R. A. and M. A., with the date 1570. Sir Edward Filmer having acquired this property by purchase, removed hither from Little Charlton, and kept his shrievalty here in the 13th of James I. He died in 1629, and was succeeded by his eldest son Sir Robert, who wrote in defence of the monarchy. This house, when in his possession and during the Commonwealth, was plundered ten times in one year; he also suffered in his own person, being imprisoned in Leeds Castle, for his loyalty. His eldest son, Sir Edward, was gentleman of the Privy Chamber to Charles I. and II.; he died unmarried at

Paris in 1668. His next brother, Sir Robert, came into possession of the estates, and was made a baronet by Chas. II. for the devotedness of his father and family to the cause of the Stuarts. In the gallery of this house are some good portraits of the early branches of the family by Jansen; particularly one of the author of "Patriarcha." The original manuscript of that work is in the possession of the present baronet, who is thoroughly repairing and carefully restoring this ancient mansion. The situation is beautiful, commanding extensive and delightful views over the Weald, which, to the south-east, has the appearance of a forest of oaks. The Park is small, but has a fine inequality of surface; it is well watered, and there is some good timber, with plantations added by the present proprietor, Sir Edmund Filmer, bart., who is one of the representatives for the Western Division of Kent.

LITTLE CHARLTON is an old mansion, in this parish, erected by Robert Filmer, esq., in the time of Elizabeth, and is a curious and remarkably good specimen of the style of that day. The exterior outline is very picturesque, and the interior has some excellent details. This was the earliest residence of the Knightly family of Filmer here; their former abode being Herst, at Otterden, in this county.

ALLINGTON.

This parish, the population of which is very small, is a rectory. The Church stands about a quarter of a mile south-west of the Castle. The Incumbent is the Rev. G. F. J. Marsham, who resides here, and has lately erected a very neat and commodious rectory-house.

ALLINGTON CASTLE.

The ruins of this venerable fabric, which is reported to have been built soon after the Conquest, are on the banks of the Medway, about a mile and a half below Maidstone, and a few yards only from the water's edge. They are of considerable extent, and many of its external parts are in good preservation.

The surrounding moat, for the most part, still exists.

The general effect is much injured by the quantity of tiled roofing visible, rendered more conspicuous by the total absence of the battlements and turrets, which have disappeared. It consists of two courts. The first, entered by a spacious gateway, contains on its south side a house, which is perhaps the one mentioned to have been built by the elder Sir Thomas Wiatt. In the inner court is the Keep now in ruins, which can be ascended by steps as high as the first floor landing place, where is the shaft of a well to the left hand. There is also another dwelling-house, between the two courts, but chiefly in the inner one, on the north side; these are inhabited, and have been for a course of time, by the two tenants of the lands, which are about 600 acres in extent. Some other buildings or parts of buildings in the interior have been pulled down.

In the reign of Henry VII. this property was purchased by Sir Henry Wiatt, who suffered much in the cause of that Sovereign in the reign of Richard III. His son Sir Thomas Wiatt, the celebrated poet and courtier, was born here. He was one of the most learned and accomplished men of his time, and died rather young for so eminent a man, at Sherbourne, in Dorsetshire, in 1541, aged 38. His son, Sir Thomas Wiatt, imprudently headed a rebellion, to prevent the marriage of Queen Mary with Philip II. of Spain, through which he lost his life on the scaffold. His motive was, as he stated in his defence, an apprehension his country might altogether come under the influence of a foreign power. His enterprise in its details at this distance of time appears bordering on rashness, amounting almost to folly; but it is not improbable that the cause was then exceedingly popular hereabouts, and that this brave young man, as he undoubtedly was, may have met his fate by suffering himself too incautiously to be led away by the prevailing feeling of the neighbourhood. This event brought the family under attainder for 17 years, when it was at length reversed in the 13th of Elizabeth, 1571, and afterwards some descendants were settled at Boxley—see p. 72. Their estates, however, which were large before had, in the interim, mostly passed into other hands. An account at some length of Wiatt's rebellion may be found in Speed's

History of England, p. 818 ; also the details of his defence and conduct when arraigned, are in Salmon's State Trials, p. 893 ; edition, 1738.

The Earl of Romney is the present proprietor of this estate.

S A N D L I N G,

on the Rochester road, a mile from Maidstone, is a hamlet in the parish of Boxley. The usual road to London, almost within the memory of man, was through this place by Rochester. A road also intersects in the direction of Ashford, probably more frequented formerly than at present, as some mile-stones on it are still observable. Here are three mills, the one highest up the stream, Mr. Blinkhorn's, formerly belonged to Boxley Abbey, not far distant. It is now Lord Aylesford's.

SANDLING COTTAGE,

which has been built not long since, is the property of Mrs. Crump, who resides here. It is pleasantly situated on an eminence to the north of the road, and the grounds, which extend as far as Mr. Lushington's Park, are very agreeably laid out.

On the opposite side of the road are plantations ; and further on a picturesque wood (Castle Wood), on the rising bank of the river over against Allington Castle. These last mentioned lands formerly belonged to Earl Romney, and were exchanged for other lands with the late Flint Stacey, esq.

THE GIBRALTAR.

Just below Sandling, and nearly opposite to Allington Castle, is pleasantly situated on the banks of the Medway, the Gibraltar Inn, a place of much resort during the summer.

ADDENDA.

FURTHER ACCOUNT OF LOOSE STREAM.

THE circumstances of the Disappearance of this stream in the ground and its subsequent Re-appearance, being of much interest in this neighbourhood, it is thought it would not be unacceptable to our readers to present them with some further information on the subject.

After a course of a few miles from its source, it enters the ground at Brishing, just above the Upper Boughton Quarries, by an opening much resembling the mouth of an oven. From thence it finds its way to the Lower Quarries, where it issues at a spring by the Brew-house, and another by the road side near it, called Gold-well. Both these springs are much swollen, and overflow when there is a flood in the stream above. This sufficiently shews the connection between the two ; nevertheless, not more than a fifth that comes in at the top re-issues. The following is nearly all that is known of what becomes of the remainder.

About 80 yards lower down than the opening before mentioned, Brishing Mouth, is a small pond called the Slade Pond. Here till lately, at one side, was an aperture, four or five feet deep, now closed up, at the bottom of which could be seen the stream flowing on strong for the last time. The pond itself is known to be supplied from the stream and has two outlets, through which there is a flow of water, one of which proceeds in a direct course, the other goes off at a considerable angle and passes under Mr. Joy's house, distant about 200 yards, in a south-westerly direction. This is probably the same branch which supplies a well on Boughton Green, called the Parish Well, nearly in a strait line further on ; also the Forge Well, the water of both of which rises when there is a flood in the stream at Brishing ; though some other wells immediately around are nowise affected. A slight turn in the direction towards the east would bring it to the springs in Mr. Rider's grounds, and the dip of the limestone strata in this neighbourhood being towards the south tending to bring waters from the quarries in this direction, it is very probable that if this does not reach, other branches penetrate this way. About 150 yards above Brishing Mouth is a cavity, near a limekiln, where one of the country roads passes, and being on a bank forms a dam to the

valley above. The water from the stream does not come to this cavity except in floods, when it occasions the springs in Mr. Rider's grounds to rise. This was proved 17 years since, when the bank of the stream was cut, and it was kept out of its channel in this place, the same as it overflows in a flood, for a fortnight, and persons were placed to watch the results. At this time the water in the well of the public-house called the Boughton Cock, which lies between, rose 18 inches, but no perceptible difference was made at the springs at the Brewery and Gold-well, which flowed on as usual, or in those at Salts, which last it was thought by some circuitous communication might be a continuation of the stream above. It is understood that no oil, feathers, sawdust, or any light substances which have been thrown in at Brishing Mouth, or the Limekiln Cavity, have ever appeared at any of the supposed outlets below.

This underground stream seems to divide itself into several channels, which appears from the various situations of the wells which are supplied from it, exclusive of the branch before mentioned which goes off towards Boughton Green. There is no doubt that the ground through the Upper Quarries, from about the Brewery spring to near Brishing Mouth, has been quarried down to it in early times. This is stated to be the opinion of the whole of the quarry men, and is not only shown by the ground wherever it is dug into having the appearance of having been moved before, but also appears from the wells being steened from the bottom and not from one ledge of rock to another, which would have been done if the rock had not been taken out; that is, if in that case they had been steened at all. This quarrying down to the stream, whenever it took place, probably made a great alteration in its original state, and may be the cause of the present dispersion of its waters.

About a quarter of a mile lower down, in the Quarry Plantations, the stream runs a second time under ground, and does not appear again for about 200 yards, when it comes out near Mrs. Braddick's pond. It has there every mark of flowing under a rubbish bank, and of having been purposely covered over in order that it might be laid there; the quantity of loose soil and waste stone being in all quarrying operations very embarrassing to the workmen, and very desirable for them to remove out of the way.

BRISHING MANOR HOUSE,

which adjoins the Upper Boughton Quarries, is a building of small size, heavily timbered and in good repair, and has once had its hall, which, after the manner of many old houses, extended to the roof. Not far from hence, up the valley before mentioned, is the site of a Roman Pottery, as it appears from the great quantity of broken earthenware in use among that people dug up at the spot. About 60

yards further on, in a hop ground, a human skeleton was dug up, about five years since, in good preservation. The grave had been dug through two layers of rock, and some flat stones which had apparently then been taken out were laid over; at the head was a small upright earthen vase, with a handle, holding about half a pint; now in the possession of Mr, Joy. The teeth were perfect and not worn, indicating a person in the prime of life; there are said to have been fractures on each side of the scull. These remains were buried again where they were found. Near the lime-kiln, it is thought, there was formerly a corn-mill; a mill-stone, such as used in grinding wheat, having been found here some time since, which is now built into an adjoining wall. The mill bay is supposed to have been swarved up level with the field. There are at present no mills in this upper part.—Brishing pond, a quarter of a mile hence, occupies one acre in extent.—This manor and estate is part of the Leeds Castle property.

THE BOWER

is an old mansion and lands, about a quarter of a mile from the town, on the Tonbridge road. It was purchased by Richard Beale, esq. in the reign of Elizabeth or James I., and by him increased by the addition of other lands, including the LITTLE BOWER, altogether forming about 275 acres, and extending to Barming Heath and Fant. His heir and grand nephew, of the same name, Richard Beale, of Hayle Place, who was Member for the County in the Parliaments of 1654 and 1656, left it with other lands in this parish and elsewhere as a provision for his nine daughters; one of whom, Mrs. Curtis, wife of Mr. F. Curtis, had her share set out. Mr. Reader also, who married another of the daughters, possessed a considerable share of it, afterwards held by West, and which is now possessed by Mr. Cotton, of whom the late Mr. J. Allen purchased a part. The remainder continued entire till about 50 years since, when Mrs. Nightingale sold it in two portions to Mr. Thos. Fowle, of Fant, and Mr. Dawbarn Wattell. Some intermediate sales have since taken place, and Messrs. Hartnup and Boys are now proprietors of Mr. Fowle's part, as it is understood Messrs. Mac Ritchie, Lee, Sawyer, and others, are

of that which was purchased of Mr. Wattell. In the old Bower House, which was lately the property of Mr. Warwick, and the interior of which has been frequently altered, there are now no remains of antiquity, except a pointed arch in one of the passages on the ground floor. It is now occupied as a School, by the Rev. W. Stevens. There is a wood near here called the Bower Wood, which however was never part of this estate, but is the property of the Earl of Romney. On part of the lands, Mr. Allen has lately built an elegant Gothic Villa, in which great taste has been displayed, which, standing on an eminence near the road, is a great ornament to the approach to the town in this direction.—The Bower gives name to the Hamlet where it stands, which from it is called “The Bower,” or the “Bower-street.”

ROCKY HILL TERRACE.

These houses, which are the property of the Earl of Romney, by whom they were built about five years since, are near Rocky Hill, in a good and commanding situation, between the London and Tonbridge roads, with which they communicate by a carriage-way in front opened for the purpose. They are six in number, and though varying something in size are all of a superior class. The architect was Mr. Whichcord.

BOWER PLACE,

which is near where the foot-path to Fant diverges from the Tunbridge Road, and where a carriage way of some length has been opened, was lately built by Mr. Clever, of this town. Many of the houses here are in the style of small villas ; and the situation is good and cheerful.

FANT HOUSE,

the property of Horace Pope, esq., who resides here, is about a mile west of the town, and not far from the Medway. This estate, which in the reign of James I. belonged to Mr. Bunce and in later times to Mr. Fowle, has been much increased by the present proprietor by the purchase of additional lands. The house was new fronted about 35 years since.

LOWER FANT.

A small estate adjoining, on the banks of the Medway, formerly belonging to H. Salmon, esq. of Hollingbourn, is also the property of H. Pope, esq. Here is an ornamental pond, supplied by a fine spring, and below is a shoal in the river, called by the Watermen, Pine's Shoot, where is considered to have been the ford mentioned in p. 56,

GATLAND WOOD.

There was formerly a wood in this part of the parish so called, now converted into arable land and hop ground. In a cottage here still remaining, a most barbarous murder was committed about a century since, of which common report assigns the discovery and conviction of the murderer to a dream; however, undoubted evidence has come down to us that this was not the case, and that the criminal was convicted from a clear chain of circumstantial proofs, to which the clue was otherwise obtained.—Not far from hence, near Half Yoke, is a field belonging to Warberton, in Sussex, said to have been left to that parish by a beggar, formerly relieved there by the parish officers.—At Farleigh Bridge, near the confines of the two parishes, it was some years since intended to build a mill on the Medway, for which purpose a warehouse was made, but from some cause the design was not proceeded with; and the building already constructed was converted into cottages.

THE MANOR OF OLDBOROUGH,

which, with Little Oldborough and the Mill annexed, is several times mentioned in Hasted, see folio and octavo editions, and of which the situation had become forgotten, is stated from information from a person very much advanced in years to be the house and fields opposite Sheppey Court, surrounded on three sides by Mangravet wood, and generally called Cold Harbour. Little Oldborough is the farm and lands immediately beyond the turnpike to the left hand on the Sutton Valence road, and is in Otham parish. Oldborough Mill lies a little to the south of Maginforth, on the other side of the road opposite the park. Additional information respecting this manor has lately been obtained from the public records.

It is singular that in the time of Newton similar want of information existed as to the situation of one of the manorial estates of the parish, now well known. Speaking of Sheals Court, he says, "Where Sheals stood is quite unknown to me, though I have diligently enquired after it." *Vide his History of Maidstone, p. 152.*

SITES OF ROMAN ANTIQUITIES,

OR THOSE WHICH POSSIBLY ARE SUCH, IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD.

Barming—Roman Villa, p. 58.

Barming—Roman Burying Place, towards Barnjet, discovered 1797.

Binbury—Ancient Mound.

Boxley, Vinters—Roman Burying Place, p. 52.

Brishing—Roman Pottery, p. 100.

East Farleigh—Roman Villa, p. 57.

Loose and Boughton Monchelsea—* Ancient Camp, p. 85.

Loose, Pickering Street—** Ancient Mound.

Maidstone, Earl Street—Roman Burying Place (Newton's History) p. 6.

Sutton Valence—Roman Burying Place, p. 94.

Thurnham—Roman Villa, p. 75.

Ditto —Ancient Tower, p. 74.

* These Intrenchments, whatever nation they belonged to, are very extensive, inclosing not less than 25 acres of ground. The northern side has been removed, quarries having intervened; but it appears in one part to have been bounded by the steep bank of the stream. To the west they are skirted by a hollow, where they are in places not less than 30 feet high. To the south they front towards the Heath; and on the east, which is a very short side, the Mound, now removed, seems to have gone on the top of a slope. The average height of the bank where it remains, except the west side, is about 12 feet; a portion is very visible on the right hand as the hill is ascended from the quarries towards Boughton Green. In the eastern part of the inclosure, now a hop-ground, stone foundations of a large building, which were in the way of cultivation, were removed about 60 years since.

** This formerly went in a strait line from the Loose turnpike-road to just by Boughton Mount. The greater part has been removed. A portion, about 200 yards long and 10 feet high, remains in a slip of chesnut plantation at the back of Pickering Street, and another small portion near Mr. Cull's Oasts. The object and use of this work is entirely unknown.

POSTLEY FIELDS.

The part of the parish so called, is a high tract of ground, to the south-west of the upper part of Stone-street, now chiefly pasture; through which is the common footway to Loose, and which is a very usual walk for many of the inhabitants of the town. The derivation or meaning of the name, which is known to have been in use nearly 300 years ago, is not ascertained. There was formerly here a wood, called Postley Wood, which occupied some part of the space; and adjoining to the west is another small ancient wood, where are quarries, called Combe Wood. A floating idea, almost too vague to call a tradition, seems to exist, that there has been in former times a battle in the vicinity of these places; but is not sufficiently embodied to point out the two adverse parties who they were, whether Romans, Britons, Saxons, Danes, or any others. It is not impossible such a notion may have originated, that is as far as regards Postley Fields, from the high and commanding nature of the ground.

DATES OF THE FIRST FORMATION OF THE VARIOUS TURNPIKE ROADS COMMUNICATING WITH THE TOWN.

- 1728—Rochester and Maidstone.
- 1759—Wrotham and Maidstone.
- 1759—Cranbrook and Maidstone.
- 1765—Tonbridge and Maidstone.
- 1769—Sittingbourn and Maidstone.
- 1793—Ashford and Maidstone.
- 1803—Sutton Valence and Maidstone.

The first Turnpike-road in Kent, was that from Sevenoaks Common to Tonbridge Wells, made in 1709.

ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS OF ROADS IN THE VICINITY.

The old London road went by Newark, now St. Peter's Chapel, where it made a sharp angle, joining the present road at the top of Rocky Hill, till about 1781, when it was altered to its present direction.—The Tonbridge road also after passing the bridge, took an equally abrupt turn to the left before it ascended the hill, the present strait cut being made in 1814.—The new cut in the Barming Road, opposite

the Asylum, was made 1830.—The Rochester road used to go up the Old Blue Bell Hill to the north of the present road, a very steep ascent, till the direction was altered to nearly where it now is, and the side of the hill much sloped in 1800. It was again altered and the ascent made much more gradual in 1824.—The hill above Detling, on the Sittingbourne road, was altered, and the steepness reduced in 1826. The new cut into the Sittingbourne road, from the top of King's-street, was made in 1822. The Ashford road passed in front of Turkey Mills and by the Mote till 1814, when it was altered to its present direction by Vinters and Weaving-street. It is said, at a former period it went by Penenden Heath and Bearsted Green. The turnpike road from Sutton Valence to Headcorn and Biddenden has been made about 30 years.—The road at the top of Stone-street, by the Cherry Gardens, was much widened and improved in 1821. About which time the road to Farleigh was widened at the turning from Stone-street, when part of Shales Court was taken down to admit its being done. Loose Hill Valley was filled up, the Bridge made, and the banks cut down in 1831. The side of Linton Hill was lowered, the bottom banked up, and the ascent made much more gradual in 1835.—The horse towing path along the Medway from Maidstone to Mill Hall was completed in 1836.

SURVEYS OF THE PARISH.

In 1814, the parish was surveyed and mapped by Mr. Gouge, of Sittingbourne, for W. Baldwin, esq. lessee of the great tithes, and in 1822, by the late Mr. Brown, of Maidstone, for the parish. In 1834, a map of the Borough, on the scale of four inches to the mile, was published by Mr. C. Kemp, of London.

MAIDSTONE PENNY CLUB.

This valuable society was established in 1833, at the suggestion and under the auspices of the Ladies Marsham. Its object is to assist and encourage the poor in habits of industry and economy. This is effected by receiving weekly

deposits from them of one penny or more, by 24 persons residing in different parts of the town. The sums thus received are placed at stated periods in the Savings' Bank. Early in November (attended by the patronesses and other ladies) a sale takes place, at which the poor expend the money thus deposited in articles of useful clothing and bedding, of good quality, at very moderate prices. Ladies or gentlemen subscribing 5s. are entitled to a ticket, which adds one penny per week to the depositor's savings. The greater proportion of the depositors are unable to procure subscribers' tickets, but they are so aware of the benefit of a weekly saving, that the issue of tickets has increased from 500 to 1000. At the sale last year, £553 14s. 11d. were expended, of which £455 19s. 11d. were the deposits of the poor. Subscriptions to this excellent charity are received by Mr. Smith, bookseller.

THE STREETS, LANES, PASSAGES AND PLACES, AND
THE LIMITED EXTENT THEREOF.

Yards.

- 286 Albion-place, from King-street to the end of the houses near the
turnpike gate
- 234 Ashford-road, from Albion-pl. to Maidstone p. boundary stone
- 138 Astley-st., from Marsham-st. to Tufton-street
- 157 Bank-street, from east end of Town Hall to Mill-street
- 272 Bone-alley, from Week-street to Wharf-lane
- 248 Bower-place, Tonbridge-road to Bower-lane
- 990 Boxley-rd., from the New Inn to the pavement boundary stone
near Mr. Moore's new house
- 283 Brewer-street, from Week-st. to Wheeler-street
- 149 Brunswick-street, from Upper Stone-street to Orchard-street
- 120 Camden-st., from Brewer-st. to County-road
- 114 Carey-street, from Union-st. to Jeffery-street
- 347 Church-street, from King-st. to Union-street
- 446 County-road, from Week-st. to Wheeler-street
- 283 Earl-street, from Week-street to Waterside
- 174 Gabriel's-hill, from King-st. to the Bridge over the river Len
- 146 George-st., from Up. Stone-st. to Orchard-street
- 186 Hart-st., from the London-rd. to the Earl of Romney's land
- 128 Havock-lane, from Earl-street to St. Faith's-street
- 343 High-street, from Week-street to and including the houses at
the foot of the bridge
- 92 Jeffery-st., from Wheeler-st. to Carey-street
- 470 King-street, from Week-street to Albion-place
- 210 Knightrider-st., from Stone-st. to the College Gateway

Yards.

- 3142 London-road, from the foot of Bridge to pavement bound. stone
beyond the turnpike gate
- 77 Lucerne-st., from Wheeler-st. to the land of J. Whatman, esq.
- 128 Market-street, from Earl-st. to St. Faith's-street
- 232 Marsham-st., from Church-st. to Queen Ann-road
- 248 Meadow, from High-street to Earl-street
- 138 Medway-st., from Pudding-la. to the Meadow
- 179 Mill-street, from High-street to the Palace Gateway
- 363 Mote-road, from Stone-street to Earl of Romney's gateway
- 80 Orchard-st. from Brunswick-st. to Mr. Gurney's new Hop-gnd.
- Paradise-row, from Passage-way between Mote Road and
Padsle Mill
- 171 Pudding-lane, from High-st. to Earl-street
- 297 Queen Ann-road, King-street to Union-street
- 194 Romney-place, from Stone-st. to Passageway between Mote-
road and Padsle Mill
- 286 St. Faith-street, from Week-st. to Waterside
- 282 St. Peter-st., from London-rd. to Chambers's cottage, near
Buckland Fields
- 770 Sandling-road, from New Inn to pavement boundary stone,
beyond Pleasant-row
- 328 Stone-street, from Bridge over River Len to Mote-road
- 1034 Tovil-road, from Up. Stone-st. to Pavement boundary stone,
near Tovil-place
- 66 Tufton-street, from Wyatt-st. to Astley-street
- 792 Tonbridge-rd. from Lond.-rd. to pavement boundary stone,
near Bower Wood-lane
- 623 Union-street, from Week-st. to Queen Ann-road
- 284 Under the Cliffe, from High-st. to the Church-yard steps
- 880 Upper Stone-st. from Mote-rd. to pavement boundary stone on
Loose-road
- 440 Water-lane, from Gabriel's-hill to Padsle Mill
- 346 Waterside, from Earl-street to the Barrack boundary stone
- 575 Week-street, from King-street to the New Inn
- 259 Well-road, from Wheeler-st. to Boxley-road
- 134 Wharf-lane, from Sandling-rd. to the Timber Wharf
- 924 Wheeler-street, from Union-st. to pavement boundary stone
- 120 Woollett-st., from Brewer-st. to County-road
- 163 Wyatt-st., from Marsham-st. to Union-street

MAIDSTONE DIRECTORY.

Members of Parliament.

B. Disraeli, esq., Bradenham House, Bucks, and Carlton Club, London.

J. M. Fector, esq., Kearsney Abbey, Dover, and Carlton Club, London.

C O R P O R A T I O N.

Mayor.

William Hussey, esq. King-street.

Aldermen.

Thomas Smith, Tovil

William Smythe, London-road

Thomas Pybus, Waterside

John Mercer, Rocky-hill-terrace

Thomas Franklyn, Stone-street

Walter Hills, Week-street

Councillors.

High-street Ward.

Henry Godden, Earl-street

William Edmett, Brewer-street

William Wickham, Week-street

Samuel Morris, Week-street

John Barlow, London Road

John Parton, Mill-street

King-street Ward.

Thomas Potts, Wheeler-street

Thomas Johnson, Gabriel's-hill

Alexander Randall, Ashford-road

John Gurney, Week-street

Charles Simmonds, King-street

Richard Hart, King-street

Stone-street Ward.

Richard Wedd, Stone-street

William Hussey, King-street

Henry Morris, Week-street

West Borough Ward.

Henry Simmonds, Bower-place

Thomas Tassell, Barming Heath

John Hall, Buckland

Chaplain—Rev. Thomas Harrison, A. M.

Town Clerk—John Monckton, High-street

Treasurer—George Burgess, Week-street

Auditors.

Alexander Randall, Ashford-road

Jonathan Joslen, Earl-street

James Stanger, High-street

Assessors.

High-street Ward—James Poole and F. F. Dally

King-street Ward—David Southon and William Cobb

Stone-street Ward.—D. T. Sweetlove and G. Jeffery

West Borough Ward.—Knowles King and Henry Argles

Committees.

Watch Committee—The Mayor, Thomas Tassell, John Mercer, Thomas Potts, Richard Wedd, Thomas Franklyn, William Edmett, William Smythe, and Walter Hills.

Market Committee.—The Mayor, Thomas Franklyn, John Parton, Thomas Tassell, William Wickham, Henry Simmonds, Richard Hart, John Mercer, William Edmett and Thomas Smith.

Committee for General Purposes.—The Mayor, Thomas Smith, A. Randall, H. Godden, Thomas Tassell, William Edmett, John Mercer, Samuel Morris, Richard Hart, Thomas Franklyn, and H. Simmonds.

Committee for Accounts.—John Hall, S. Morris, William Wickham, John Barlow, C. Simmonds, William Edmett, Walter Hills, H. Godden, and William Smythe.

Quarterly Meetings.—February 8th, May 10th, and August 9th, at 10 o'clock; and November 9th, at 12 o'clock.

Serjeants at Mace.—Robert Griffin, Wheeler-street, and George Bigg, Upper Stone-street.

Court Keeper, Billet Master, and Town Crier—John Brann, High-street.

MAGISTRATES

Recorder.—David Pollock, esq., 3, Pump Court, Temple
W. Sibbald, esq. M. D., Week-st. | Charles Ellis, esq. Gabriel's-hill
Lewis Cooper, esq. Bower | Thomas Pybus, esq. Waterside
Thomas Smith, esq. Tovil | Thomas Hyde, esq. High-street

Coroner—Frank Fether Dally, High-street.

Clerk of the Peace—C. T. Smythe, Brewer-street.

Clerk to the Magistrates—John Case, Mill-street.

POLICE.

Superintendent—Thomas Fancett.

Inspectors—John Sharp and George Brown.

Sixteen Policemen.

Station House, Bottom of the High-street.

Inspector of Weights and Measures—James Bentlif, King-street.

CORPORATION WARDS.

High-street Ward, includes the High-street, the West side of Gabriel's Hill as far as the River Len, and the West side of Week-street, to the boundaries of the Parish, with all the intermediate district, bounded on the West by the River Medway, and on the South by the River Len.

West Borough Ward, comprises all that part of the Parish, on the West side of the Medway.

King-street Ward, includes the East side of Gabriel's Hill as far as the River Len, and the East side of Week-street, and all the district to the East of those limits, bounded on the South by the River Len.

Stone-street Ward, includes the district bounded by the River Len on the North, and the Medway on the West, to the boundaries of the Parish

ALL SAINTS CHURCH.

Minister.....Rev. James Reeve.
 CurateRev. Charles Rew.
 OrganistEdward Sanders.
 ClerkJames Ruck.
 SextonJ. Diprose.

TRINITY CHURCH.

Minister.....Rev. H. I. Parker.
 OrganistStephen Philpot.
 ClerkJohn Smith.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL.

Minister.....Rev. G. Davey.
 Organist.....George Lindridge.
 Clerk.....James Ransley.

TRUSTEES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF CHARITIES.

Balston, Wm.	Godden, Henry	Reeve, Rev. James
Cutbush, Robert	Mares, John	Stanger, James
Crandall, William	Pybus, Thomas	Stephens, J. C.
Ellis, Charles	Randall, Alexander	

TRUSTEES OF THE POOR.

Thomas Pybus, Esq.

Councillors.

Thomas Johnson—Alexander Randall—Samuel Morris.

Churchwardens.

Henry Argles—Thomas Laurence.

Overseers.

J. Bunyar—G. Archer, jun.

W. T. Steinmetz	John Payne	W. Edmett
C. Heathorn	John Laker	W. Smythe
John Gurney	Thomas Standen	J. Oliver
D. Southon	T. P. Chaplin	R. Cutbush
G. Jury	J. Mercer	W. Hills
R. J. Cutbush	R. R. Spencer	C. Simmonds
Thos. Franklyn	T. R. Railton	Thomas Potts
James Betts	Geo. A. Bentlif	H. Godden.

Clerk—Richard Holmes.

Collector of Poor Rates and Church Cess—J. Sweetlove.

MAIDSTONE DIRECTORY.

M A I D S T O N E U N I O N .

Guardians.

Chairman—Wm. Barnes, Staplehurst.

Vice-Chairman—C. G. Whittaker, Barming.

Adams, Richard, Nettlestead		Kennard, Gabriel, East Farleigh
Betts, John, Otham		Miller, Richard, jun., Teston
Bishop, E. Hollyman, Hunton		Tompson, Thomas, Loose
Clarke, Radburn, Bearsted		Walter, Stephen, Marden
Cull, Thomas, Boughton		Warde, J. R., Yalding
Gibbons, Ambrose, Linton		————— Maidstone
Jackson, T. H., West Farleigh		————— Ditto

Ex-officio Guardians.

The Earl Cornwallis
 Thomas Turner Alkin, esq.
 Thomas Fairfax Best, esq.

Rev. Philip Le Geyt
 James Jacobson, esq.
 Thomas Rider, esq.

Clerk—W. N. Ottaway, Staplehurst.

Auditor—E. W. Gilbert, Frant, Sussex.

Chaplain—Rev. C. F. Godmond.

Treasurers—Corrall and Mercer.

Master of the Workhouse—William Martin.

Relieving Officers.

First District—Stephen Stonham, Upper Stone-st. Maidstone.

Second ditto—Humphrey Wightwick, Staplehurst.

Third ditto—Thomas Tapsfield, East Farleigh.

Collector—John White, Hunton.

Time and Place of Meeting.

Union Workhouse, Coxheath, Thursday, at 10.

R E G I S T R A T I O N .

Superintendent Registrar—W. N. Ottaway, Staplehurst.

REGISTRARS OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

East Maidstone District.—J. Ruck, King-street.*West Maidstone District.*—Richard Holmes, High-street.*Loose District.*—William Streatfield, Bearsted.*Marden District.*—Nathaniel Walter, jun., Marden.*Yalding District.*—John White, Hunton.

REGISTRARS OF MARRIAGES.

R. Holmes, High-street, Maidstone—N. Walter, jun., Marden.

CAVALRY DEPOT.

Commandant..... Colonel Brotherton, C. B.
 Assistant Ditto Colonel Middleton
 Paymaster..... Captain Castle
 Riding-Master Captain Meyer
 Riding-Master & Adjutant.. George Gladstone
 Quarter-Master Francis Hoey
 Assistant Surgeon John Can, M. D.
 Veterinary Surgeon Alexander Black
 Barrack-Master Lieut.-Colonel Babington
 Chaplain Rev. James Reeve.

WEST KENT MILITIA.

Colonel..... Sir J. K. Shaw, bart.
 Adjutant Captain J. Eley.

WEST KENT INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.

Patron—The Earl of Romney.

President—The Lord Viscount Marsham.

Vice-Presidents :

The Lord Barham The Hon. and Rev. W. Nevill The Hon. and Rev. J. Marsham, D. D. The Hon. and Rev. F. J. Noel The Hon. and Rev. Sir F. J. Stapleton, bart. Sir E. C. Dering, bart. Sir E. Knatchbull, bart. M. P. Sir W. R. P. Geary, bart. Sir W. B. Riddell, bart. Sir John Croft, bart. Sir E. Filmer, bart. M. P. Sir J. Hawley, bart.	The Very Rev. The Dean of Rochester T. L. Hodges, esq. M. P. Thomas Rider, esq. A. W. Robarts, esq. C. J. Barnett, esq. John Wells, esq. The Mayor of Maidstone for the time being The Justices of Maidstone for the time being Philip Corral, esq. John Brenchley, esq. The Rev. James Reeve.
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Trustees :

M. D. D. Dalison, esq. J. D. S. Douglas, esq.	John Mercer, esq. John Monckton, esq.
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Treasurers—Messrs. Corral and Mercer.

Medical Officers :

Physicians. J. G. Welch, M. D. William Sibbald, M. D.	Surgeons. Richard Wedd Frederick Fry
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House Surgeon and Secretary—George Bruce.

Matron—Mrs. Jull.

BANKERS.

Kentish Bank—Corrall and Mercer, Bank-street.—London Correspondents, Masterman and co., Nicholas-lane, Lombard-street.

Joint Stock Bank, High-street—Manager for Maidstone, T. S. Cutbill. London Correspondents, 71, Lombard-street.

SAVINGS' BANK.

Treasurer—Robert Hazell.

Auditors—H. B. Blanchard, John Smith, James Watts.

Secretary—Stephen L. Hazell.

Assistant Ditto—Joseph Brown.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

Ladies' Committee :

Mrs. T. Allen	Mrs. Horne	Mrs. J. Stanger
— Bartlett	— Hunt	— H. A. Wildes
— Briggs	— Groser	Miss Button
— Brown, Brewer-st	— Jinkings	— Ladbrook
— G. Bentlif	— Link	— Smith
— J. Brown	— Payne	— Crispe
— J. Cooke	— W. Pike	— Prance
— Prance	— J. Smith	— Wimble
— J. V. Hall	— Stephens	

Gentlemen's Committee :

Bartlett, Samuel	Green, John	Payne, J.
Baker, Charles	Groser, Rev. W.	Stanger, James
Blanchard, H. B.	Hunt, Anthony	Standen, Thomas
Briggs, Edward	Isaac, I. S.	Stephens, J. C.
Brown, Joseph	Jinkings, Rev. E.	Vivian, T.
Clever, William	Martin, ———	

Treasurers—R. and S. L. Hazell.

Secretaries—Thomas Charles and John Laker.

COUNTY PRISONS.

Visiting Magistrates.

Lord Marsham	J. Berens, esq.
Sir J. K. Shaw, bart.	J. Whatman, jun., esq.
T. G. Monypenny, esq. M. P.	W. W. T. Baldwin, esq.

Chaplain	Rev. J. Winter
Surgeon	J. Whatman
Keeper	T. Agar
Head Turnkey	John Ellis
Matron	Mrs. Ellis

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Patroness—Lady Maria Finch.

President—Lord Viscount Marsham.

Vice-Presidents.

Hon. and Rev. W. Nevill	James Stoddart Douglas, esq.
Hon & Rev. Sir F. Stapleton, bt.	James Jacobson, esq.
Hon. J. W. King	Walter Jones, esq.
Sir W. R. P. Geary, bart.	M. P. Lucas, esq.
Sir E. Filmer, bart., M. P.	E. H. Lushington, esq.
Sir John Croft, bart.	Thomas Rider, esq.
Thomas Fairfax Best, esq.	W. H. Stacey, esq.
James Best, esq.	J. Whatman, esq.
E. Darell, esq.	J. A. Wigan, esq.

Committee.

Beale, William	Hussey, Peter L.
Bunyard, Thomas	Mares, John
Burr, George	Mercer, William, jun.
Cage, Rev. Charles	Monckton, John
Chamberlayne, Captain	Scratton, Daniel
Godden, Henry	Tanner, Edward
Treasurer—John Mercer	Hon. Secretary—William James

MEDWAY LOWER NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Committee.

Arkcoll, John	Hyde, Thomas	Watts, James
Franklyn, Thomas	Randall, Alexander	Wickham, William
Gurney, John	Tassell, Robert	Windeyer, Arch. Chas.
Hills, Walter	Topping, Charles	
Treasurer—John Mercer	Surveyor—John Whichcord	
Clerks—Hoar and Beale	Lock-keeper—Charles Bartlett	

GAS COMPANY.

Committee.

Bartlett, Samuel	Edmett, William	Sweetlove, Thomas
Brenchley, John	Hazell, Robert	Tassell, Robert
Day, Thomas	Hyde, Thomas	Watts, James

Auditors—R. Tassell and R. Hazell.

Treasurer—John Mercer.	Engineer—John Bryan.
Clerks—Hoar and Beale.	Secretary—Chas. Beaumont.

POSTING HOUSES.

Bell, Week-street	Valentine Wildish.
Star, High-street	John Scoones

ENDOWED GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Head Master—Rev. T. Harrison, M. A.
 French Master—Mons. P. Wurflin.
 English and Writing Master—J. Brewer.
 Drawing Master—Thos. L. Merritt.

KENT FIRE INSURANCE INSTITUTION.

Governor—The Earl of Romney.

Deputy Governors :

Earl Amherst	Sir Edward C. Dering, bart.
Earl of Brecknock	Sir Edw. Knatchbull, bart. M. P.
Lord Viscount Sydney	Sir John E. Honeywood, bart.
Lord Viscount Strangford	Sir Thos. Maryon Wilson, bart.
Lord Viscount Marsham	Sir Edmund Filmer, bart. M. P.
Lord Viscount Holmesdale	Sir P. H. Dyke, bart.
Lord Saye and Sele	Sir Brook Wm. Bridges, bart.
Lord Sondes	Sir W. R. P. Geary, bart.
Lord Harris	Sir John Croft, bart.
Lord Bexley	

Trustees :

Charles Hussey Fleet	John Alfred Wigan
John Pemberton Plumtre, M. P.	James Beckford Wildman

Directors :

There are 24 Directors for East Kent and 24 for West Kent, including some of the most influential men in the county.

Auditors :

Bidingfield Wise	John Tasker
Robert Tassell	John Neame
Richard Halford	

FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE OFFICES.

Agents :

Atlas.....	G. Nye, Gabriel's-hill
Argus	H. Drury, West Borough
County.....	J. Stanger, High-street
Family Endowment and Life Assurance	} H. P. Walker, Week-street
Guardians	} J. Dickinson, Gabriel's-hill
Norwich Union	Thomas P. Chaplin, High-street
Phoenix	J. V. Hall and Son, High-street
Protector	G. Jury, Gabriel's-hill
Royal Exchange	J. Pilbrow, Stone-street
Scottish Union	G. Philpot, Stone-street
Sun	S. Plimpton, High-street
	R. R. and G. Spencer, Week-street

MAIDSTONE PROPRIETARY SCHOOL.

Head Master—Rev. T. S. Green, M. A.
 Second Master—H. Colson, B. A.
 Third Ditto—Henry Wicksteed.
 French Ditto—Mons. Tolmer.
 Drawing Master—Thomas L. Merritt.

LITERARY INSTITUTION.

AT SMITH'S LIBRARY, WEEK-STREET.

Treasurer—Lewis Cooper. Secretary—J. Fulleck.
 Librarian—John Smith.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTION.

President—Charles Ellis, esq.

Vice-Presidents :

Blanchard, H. B.		Sibbald, William, M. D.
Cooper, Lewis		Smith, Thomas
King, Knowles		Whiting, George

Treasurer—Thomas Johnson. *Secretary*—Josiah Woodcock.

With a Committee of 23 persons, chosen annually.

PERPETUAL COMMISSIONERS

For taking the acknowledgements of Deeds by Married Women,
 under the Act for Abolition of Fines and Recoveries.

Hoar, Charles		Topping, Charles
Hussey, Peter		Wildes, Henry Atkinson
Stephens, John Cribb		

COMMISSIONERS OF PAVEMENT.

John Crowder	Henry Godden	James Poole
Walter Hills	Samuel Morris	William Smythe.

Clerk—C. Hoar. *Collector*—R. Holmes.

Surveyor—T. Orford.

Postmaster—G. Hulburd, Week-street

Commissioner for taking Special Bail—Mr. J. Martin, High-street

Sub-distributors of Stamps and Hawkers' Licenses,
 J. Smith and Mrs. Wickham, Week-street

Superintendent of Police—Thomas Fancett, with a corps of 16 men

Inspectors of Ditto—John Sharp and George Brown

Court-keeper, Billet-master, and Town-crier—John Brann, High-street

COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Committee.

Chairman—M. D. D. Dalison, esq.

The Earl of Winchilsea	W. W. T. Baldwin, esq.
Right Hon. Sir E. Knatchbull, bart. M. P.	T. F. Best, esq.
Sir J. K. Shaw, bart.	F. Bradley, esq.
J. P. Plumptre, esq. M. P.	J. S. Douglas, esq.
T. T. Alkin, esq.	N. J. Knatchbull, esq.
	E. H. Lushington, esq.

Chaplain—Rev. F. Buttanshaw
 Medical Superintendent—George Poynder
 Consulting Physician—Dr. Welch
 Consulting Surgeon—James Whatman
 Matron—Mrs. Duval

SURVEYOR OF TAXES.

John Nicholson, King-street, Maidstone.

CUSTOMS.

Principal Officer—William Henry Webb, St. Faith's-street.

EXCISE OFFICE, QUEEN'S HEAD, HIGH-STREET.

Collector.....John Sykes, esq. Rochester
 Collector's ClerkThomas Coulson, ditto

Maidstone District.

SupervisorE. Longhurst, King-street
 First Division.....Robert Payne
 Second DittoWalter Hooker
 Third Ditto.....William Townsend
 Fourth DittoWilliam Russell
 Maidstone First Ride—Edmond Tomlins, Bearsted
 Maidstone Second Ride—Wm. Redman, Town Sutton
 Lenham Ride—John Marriage, Lenham

Permit Writer—John Titus, Maidstone

Malling District.

Supervisor—J. H. Dickinson
 Malling Ride—Joseph Bennett, Malling
 Maidstone Fifth Division—D. Pullock & R. Broadbridge, Loose
 Maidstone Fourth Ride—Isaac Smith, Aylesford
 Maidstone Fifth Ride—William Bryant, Yalding
 Tonbridge Division—Daniel Smith, Tonbridge
 Tonbridge Ride—Henry Symons, Hadlow

NOBILITY, CLERGY, GENTRY, &c.

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| <p>Agar, Mr. Thomas, County-road
 Allen, Miss, Tonbridge-road
 Allen, Mr. Charles, London-road
 Allnutt, Henry, esq. Ivy Mill
 Allwork, Mr. Albion-place
 Archer, Mr. George, sen. Knight-
 rider-street
 Archer, Miss, Church-street
 Argles, Mrs. John, King-street
 Argles, Mrs. Ann, Upper Stone-st.
 Argles, Rev. J. A. Stone-street</p> <p>Babbington, Lieut.-Colonel, Ca-
 valry Depôt
 Balders, Captain, Park-placc,
 Ashford-road
 Baldwin, W. esq. St. Peter's-st.
 Balston, Wm. esq. Springfield
 Balston, Mr. Wm. jun. ditto
 Balston, Mr. R. E. P. ditto
 Barker, Miss, Church-street
 Barlow, Mr. John, London-road
 Battley, Mr. W. Marsham-street
 Beacon, Mr. George, Pleasant-row
 Bellingham, Mr. Jas. County-rd.
 Bensted, Mr. W. H. Terrace
 Best, Misses, Ashford-road
 Bishop, Mr. Wm. Albion-place
 Blanchard, Mr. H. B. Albion-pl.
 Bosanquet, R.G. esq. Sandling-rd.
 Bourn, Mrs. Tonbridge-road
 Brenchley, J. esq. Kingley House
 Brenchley, Mrs. Wheeler-street
 Brenchley, Mr. J. Albion-place
 Briggs, Mr. Edward, Albion-place
 Brotherton, Colonel, Comman-
 dant Cavalry Depôt
 Brooke, Mr. William, Union-st
 Brown, Miss, Ashford-road
 Bruce, Mr. Marsham-street
 Budds, Mrs. King-street
 Bunyard, Mr. T. Bedford-place,
 London-road
 Burch, Mr. Wm. Terrace
 Burr, Misses, Albion-place
 Button, Miss, Stone-street</p> | <p>Carter, Mrs. College
 Carter, Mrs. Wheeler-street
 Carter, Mrs. T. Marsham-place
 Castle, Captain, Holland-terrace
 Chamberlayne, Captain, Rocky
 hill
 Charles, Mrs. J. St. Faith-street
 Charles, T. esq., St. Faith's-st.
 Charles, William, esq., ditto
 Chittenden, Mr. John, Union-st.
 Clabon, Mr. St. Faith's-street
 Clark, Mr. Ashford-road
 Clout, Mrs. Marsham-street
 Coleman, Mrs. Stone-street
 Cooke, Mr. Brewer-street
 Cooke, Mrs. London-road
 Cooke, Mrs. James, Dovor-place,
 Church-street
 Cooper, Lewis, esq., Bower
 Cooper, Mrs. Week-street
 Cooper, Robt. esq., London-road
 Cooper, Miss, ditto
 Cornford, Mrs. Albion-place
 Corral, Philip, esq., College
 Crandall, Mr. Wm. Penenden-
 heath-road
 Crispe, Mrs. King-street
 Crowder, Mr. John, High-street
 Curteis, Mr. W. T. Bower-road</p> <p>Dartnall, Mrs. Tonbridge-road
 Davis, Mrs. Union-street
 Davey, Rev. G. London-road
 Day, Thomas, esq. Ashford-road
 Day, Mrs. Priorsy
 Day, Miss, Park-pl. Ashford-road
 Downer, — esq. Bower-place
 Dungey, Mrs. Albion-place</p> <p>Eagles, W. B. esq., Marsham-st.
 Edmed, Mr. Thomas, Terrace
 Edmett, Mr. Wm. Brewer-street
 Edmunds, Miss, Marsham-st.
 Edwards, Miss, Brewer-street
 Epps, Mr. Tonbridge-road</p> |
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Elvy, Miss, High-street
Ely, Captain, Church-street

Farrant, Mr. Terrace
Fasset, Mr. George, County-pl.
Finch, Misses, Ashford-road
Franklyn, Thomas, esq., Stone-st.
Franklyn, Mr. H. Romney-place

Gamon, Mrs. Church-street
Giles, Mrs. Sarah, Mill-street
Gill, Mr. James, London-road
Godden, Henry, esq. Earl-street
Gorham, Mr. John, Earl-street
Green, Mrs. Albion-place
Grey, Miss, Wheeler-street
Guy, Mrs. St. Faith's-street
Guy, Mr. Wm. ditto
Groser, Rev. Wm. Marsham-pl.

Hall, Mr. J. V. Penenden-heath
Hall, Mr. John, Buckland
Harris, Mrs. Church-street
Harris, Mrs. Abraham, Marsham
Place
Harrison, Rev. Thomas, Earl-st.
Harrison, Mr. Joseph, Church-st.
Harrison, Mr. Basil, Brewer-st.
Hawkins, Mr. A. Upper Stone-st.
Haynes, Mr. Albion-place
Hazell, Robert, esq. Bank-street
Hazell, Mrs. Frances, Mill-street
Hazell, Mr. S. L. Mill-street
Hazlewood, Rev. F. F. Newark
Hepburn, James, esq. Tovil-place
Heywood, Mrs. Tovil
Higgins, Mr. Chas. London-road
Hills, Mr. W. B. Queen Ann-rd.
Hodges, S. esq. Penenden-heath
Hodges, Mrs. Romney-place
Hodson, Miss, London-road
Hollingworth, J. esq. Turkey-mill
Hollingworth, J. jun. esq. ditto
Hollingworth, John, esq. Romney
Place
Horne, Mrs. King-street
Houstoun, Capt. Mote-road
Hughes, Mr. Charles, High-st.
Hussey, Wm. esq. King-street

Jefferis, Charles, esq. Bower-pl.
Jefferys, Miss, Queen Ann-road
Jenkins, Mr. Brewer-st.
Jinkings, Rev. Edmd. Week-st.
Jolliff, Misses, 109, Week-street
Jones, Colonel, Little Buckland

Kebble, Mr. John, Week-street
Kennard, Mrs. Mary, Brewer-st.
Kentish, Mr. Wm. Brewer-st.
Knell, Mr. Thomas, Earl-street
Knox, Captain, London Road
Kittoe, Mrs. Borough Stone
Knowles, Mrs. Rocky-hill-terrace

Lamprey, Stephen, esq. Boxley
road
Lancefield, Mr. T. W. Albion-pl.
Laurence, Mr. T. Tonbridge-road
Leader, Rev. W. Knightrider-st.
Link, Mrs. Queen Ann-road
Longhurst, Mr. King-street
Lushington, Edmund Henry, esq.
Park House

Mackenzie, Mrs. Tovil
Mac Ritchie, Thos. esq. Bower
Malin, Mrs. Orchard-street
Mares, John, esq. Lenfield
Marten, Mr. J. Queen Ann-road
Marsh, Mrs. Upper Stone-street
Marsham, Lady Charlotte, Mote
Mason, Mr. Robert, Suffolk-pl.
Mercer, J. esq. Rocky-hill-terrace
Meyer, Captain, 75, Week-street
Middleton, Col. Cavalry Depôt
Moore, Mr. Wm. Boxley-road
Moore, Mrs. Wheeler-street
Morice, Major, K. H. 30, High-st.
Mortimer, Mr. John, Brewer-st.
Munk, Mr. Brewer-street

Newber, Mr. James, Marsham-st.
Newman, Mr. Denny, County-rd.

Parker, Rev. Hen. J. London-rd.
Parks, Mr. Henry, Albion-place
Peale, Edw. esq. Knightrider-st.
Peale, John, esq. ditto
Peale, Wm. esq. ditto

Peckham, Miss, Albion-place
 Peene, W. esq. m. d. Clarendon-pl.
 Pigram, Mr. Edw. Union-street
 Pike, Dean Rayner, esq. Clarendon-place
 Pine, Mr. John, Earl-street
 Pine, Mr. Thomas, Ashford-road
 Pine, Miss, ditto
 Pine, Misses, London-road
 Plane, Mrs. ditto
 Pipon, Major, Rocky-hill-terrace
 Plant, Mrs. Wheeler-street
 Pope, Horatio, esq. Fant
 Pope, Rev. Robt. Great Buckland
 Porter, Mrs. S. Tonbridge-road
 Post, Rev. Beale, Beddowes, Tovil
 Potter, Mr. James, Bower-place
 Potts, Mr. Thomas, Wheeler-st.
 Powell, Mrs. ditto
 Powell, Mr. George, Suffolk-pl.
 Poynder, Esq. Barming Heath
 Prance, Miss, Albion-place
 Prentis, Miss, Terrace
 Pybus, Mr. James, Waterside

Randall, Mrs. Clarendon-place
 Randall, Alex. esq. Ashford-road
 Rachell, Mrs. Ashford-road
 Ranger, Mrs. Union-st.
 Reeve, Rev. James, King-street
 Rew, Rev. Chas. Knightrider-st.
 Richardson, Miss, Church-street
 Riddell, Lady Frances Buchanan, Palace
 Robinson, Miss, London-road
 Rolfe, Mr. Romney-place
 Romney, The Earl of, the Mote
 Rosser, Rev. J. Brewer-street
 Ruck, Mrs. Hannah, St. Faith's-green
 Rugg, Mr. Robert, Romney-pl.
 Rugg, Mr. John, Albion-place
 Rugg, Mrs. P. Dovor-pl. Church-street
 Russell, R. esq. Clarendon-place
 Russell, Mr. Brewer-street

Sanders, Mr. J. Marsham-street
 Scoones, Mr. J. Queen Ann-road
 Scratton, D. esq. Penenden-heath

Scudamore, Mrs. Stone-street
 Sears, Mr. London-road
 Seath, Mrs. Tonbridge-road
 Sedgwick, Mrs. Loose-road
 Selby, Mrs. Rocky-hill-terrace
 Sexty, Mrs. Albion-place
 Sharp, Mr. Richard, Earl-street
 Shaw, Captain, Brewer-street
 Shepherd, Mr. Saml. Wheeler-st.
 Shepherd, Mrs. Ashford-road
 Sibbald, Wm. esq. m. d. Week-st.
 Simmonds, Mr. Henry, Bower-pl.
 Sims, Miss, Albion-place
 Sisley, Mrs. Union-street
 Skeere, Mr. Thomas, Queen Ann-road.
 Sloman, Mr. Knightrider-street
 Smith, Thomas, esq. Tovil
 Southon, Mr. David, Boxley-road
 Spencer, Mr. George, Rocky-hill terrace
 Springett, Mr. John, Clarendon-place
 Springett, Mr. Charles, Knightrider-street
 Spurrell, Mr. Bank-street
 Stacey, Wm. Henry, esq. London-road
 Stanger, Mr. J. Bower-place
 Stanger, Mr. Romney-place
 Stephens, Mrs. Holland Terrace
 Stone, Mrs. London-road
 Stone, Mrs. Albion-place
 Stoney, Mrs. Portland-pl. Church-street
 Streeton, Mr. John, Westborough
 Sutton, Misses Mary and Eliz. London-road
 Swain, Mrs. Union-street
 Sweetlove, Thos. esq. Mote-road

Tanner, Mr. Edward, Stone-st.
 Taylor, Mr. J. Brewer-street
 Taylor, Edward Austen, esq. Penenden-heath
 Taylor, James, esq. ditto
 Thomas, Misses, Upper Stone-st.
 Tilling, Mrs. Union-street
 Tyssen, Mrs. Foley-house, Penenden-heath

Valentine, Mrs. High-street	Whiting, Mr. George, Marsham-place
Walker, Mr. Frederick, Willington-street	Wiggins, Rev. Mr. Albion-place
Walker, Miss, Palace	Wildes, Henry Atkinson, esq. Penenden-heath-road
Warde, Mr. John, Terrace	Williams, Miss, Loose-road
Warwick, Mrs. High-street	Wimble, Miss, Earl-street
Waterman, Mr. J. M. London-rd.	Winch, Mr. Rich. Romney-place
Watts, Mr. Edward, Bower	Winch, Mr. R. Romney-place
Welch, J. Goodwin, esq. M. D. Stone-street	Winter, Rev. John, Gaol-wall
Whatman, James, esq. Rocky-hill-terrace	Winter, Mr. W. Ordnance cottage
White, Mr. Wm. Albion-place	Worthington, Edward, esq. Tovil
White, Mrs. Church-street	Wright, Mr. W. Lucking, Union-street
	Wright, Charles, 44, Brewer-st.

S U R G E O N S.

Ayerst, Henry, Brewer-street	Leney, George, Mill-street
Day and Whatman, Gabriel's-hill	Lowry, James, Earl-street
French, Edward, Stone-street	Otley, John, Stone-street
Fry, Frederick, Stone-street	Prance, James Connell, High-st.
Hair, Quintin (Dentist,) at Mrs. Hobson's, High-street	Sanders and Power, High-street
Jones, Henry (Dentist,) at Mr. Bartlett's, Week-street	Sedgwick, William, Stone-street
	Robinson, John, King-street
	Wedd, Richard, Stone-street

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Ayerst, Francis, Mill-street	Mouckton, John, High-street
Case, John, Mill-street	Morgan, Charles, Earl-street
Chell, F. E. Sandling-road	Reader, Godden, Stone-street
Dally, Frank Fether, High-st.	Scudamore, Charles, Stone-street
Fulleck, John, Week-street	Smythe, Clement Taylor, Brewer-street
Hart, Richard, King-street	Stephens, John Cribb, Week-st.
Hoar and Beale, King-street	Sweetlove, David Tanner, Mill-st.
Hussey, Peter and Edw., King-st.	Topping, Charles, Albion-place
James, William, Stone-street	Walker, Henry Pinckney, Week-street
Jeffery, George, Romney Place	Wildes, Hen. Atkinson, St. Faith-street
King, Knowles, Mill-street	
Lamprey, Stephen Chas. Boxley-road	

ACADEMIES, &c.

Ladies' Boarding and Day Schools.

Booth, Mrs. (Preparatory) County Road	Martin, Miss, Romney-place
Burr, Miss, Marsham-place	Moore, Mrs. (Preparatory) Wheeler-street
Cooke, Misses, London-road	Plympton, Misses, High-street
George, Mrs. Wheeler-street	Ridout, Misses, Albion-place
Hall, Mrs. Thomas, Knightrider-street	Rigden, Mrs. and Misses, Rocky-hill
Jarman, Miss, Marsham-street	Sanders, Mrs. St. Faith's Green

Day Schools.

Barnett, Miss, Mill-street	Davis, Mrs. Union-street
Blaiklock, Mrs. Brewer-street	Jones, Miss, Sandling-road
Burgess, Mrs. Wheeler-street	Leader, Miss, Union-street
Crispe, Miss, Queen Ann-road	Sisley, Miss, ditto

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Booth, Mrs. Church-street	Tilden, Misses, (Preparatory), Romney-place
Pine, Mrs. and Miss (Preparatory) Earl-street	Varty, R. Upper Stone-street
Stevens, Rev. Wm. Bower-house	Williams, George, Week-street

Day Schools.

Gandy, Edward, Brewer-street	Lintott, Edw. Upper Stone-street
Page, Gregory, High-street	

Professors of Music.

Fowler, Richard, Stone-street	Philpot, Stephen, King-street
Hoadley, J. C. Week-street	Sanders, Edw. St. Faith's-green
Lindridge, George, ditto	Troup, James, Academy at Smith's Library, Week-street
Morfill, Wm. Church-street	

Artists and Teachers of Drawing.

Mackellow, Miss, King-street	Merritt, Thos. Light, Church-st.
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Professors of Dancing and Fencing.

Philpot, William and Charles, 5, Bower-place
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French, Italian, and German Teachers.

Jones, Miss, Marsham-street	Rofe, Mrs. Romney-place
Lancefield, Miss, Albion-place	Tolmer, Mons. King-street
Le Brun, J. H. Church-street	Wurflein, Mons. Earl-street

TRADESMEN, &c.

- Abnet, Thomas, baker, County-road
 Acres, Thomas, boot and shoe-maker, Week-street
 Alexander, Andrew, tailor, County-road
 Allcorn, Jabez, boot and shoe-maker, Mill-street
 Allen, Thomas William, builder, West Borough
 Allen, William, druggist, Week-street
 Annison, Richard William, grocer, Upper Stone-street
 Archer, G. jun. corn and coal merchant, Bank-st. and Waterside
 Arkcoll, John, grocer and cheesemonger, Stone-street
 Arnett, John Henry, boot and shoe-maker, Mill-street
 Ashby, John, baker, Woollett-street
 Ashdown, J. plumber, &c. Romney-place
 Ashdown, James, baker, Wheeler-street
 Ashdown, John, carpenter, Wyatt-street
 Assiter, David George, stone-mason, Week-street
 Athawes, Ann, dress-maker, Brunswick-street
 Attwood, Alfred, chemist and druggist, Gabriel's-hill
 Austen, Ambrose, stationer and music-seller, Week-street

 Baily, Mrs. H. straw bonnet-maker, Gabriel's-hill
 Baker, Charles, cooper and measure manufacturer, Bank-street
 Baker, Richard, farmer, Barming Heath
 Baker, Richard, baker, Wheeler-street
 Baker, William, farmer, Sandling-road
 Baldwin and Godden, brewers, West Borough
 Ballard, Henry, grocer, &c. Week-street
 Ballard, John, brazier, Week-street
 Ballard, Phœbe & Charles, grocers & tallow chandlers, Stone-street
 Balston, Gausson and Bosanquet, paper manufacturers, Springfield
 Bane, John, shoe-maker, Upper Stone-street
 Banks, Hercules, pork-butcher, Week-street
 Barber, Thomas, corn-factor, Upper Stone-street
 Barling, Joseph, watchmaker and silversmith, High-street
 Barlow, Gill, and Hills, wharfingers, Waterside
 Barlow, Gill, and White, hop-factors, Market Buildings
 Barnard, Mary, tripe-dealer, Bank-street
 Barnes, Mark Horatio Nelson, sail-maker, Waterside
 Barnett, John, builder, West Borough
 Barnett, William, coach-builder, Earl-street
 Barr, Robert, baker, Upper Stone-street
 Bartlett, Samuel, watchmaker and silversmith, Week-street
 Barton, James, hosier, &c. Bank-street
 Barton, T. grocer, &c. George-street
 Barton, William, tailor, Union-street
 Barton, Mrs. dress-maker, ditto
 Bean, Frederick, haberdasher and hosier, Week-street

Beard, Edward, farmer, Loddington
 Beattie, John, tea-dealer, Union-street
 Beaumont, Charlotte, brazier, &c. Bank-street
 Beeching, John Ebenezer, farmer, Shepway-court
 Beeching, Richard, boot and shoe-maker, Union-street
 Beer, James, tailor, King-street
 Bensted and Higgins, stone-merchants, Waterside
 Bentlif and Son, boot and shoe-makers, High-street
 Bentlif, Henry, and Co. linen-draper, Week-street
 Bentlif, James, accountant, King-street
 Bentlif, John, currier, Bank-street
 Betts, James, grocer and cheesemonger, Week-street
 Betts, Thomas, butcher, Week-street
 Binskin, H. tea-dealer, Brunswick-street
 Birch, Samuel, grocer, King-street
 Birch, Thomas, tailor, Mote-road
 Birchall, Charles, eatinghouse-keeper and pipe-maker, High-street
 Bishop, William, spirit-merchant, King-street
 Blinkhorn, Robert, miller, King-street
 Bluett, Stephen, coach-builder, Meadow
 Bolton, John, linen manufacturer, County-road
 Bonner, Francis, dairyman, King-street
 Bonner and Usmar, straw hat-makers, George-street
 Bonner, Sarah, dress-maker, King-street
 Bonny, George, butcher, King-street
 Bonny, James, butcher, Week-street
 Boorman, John, wheelwright, Week-street
 Bottle, Miss, dress-maker, Union-street
 Bovis, Thomas, wheelwright, West Borough
 Bow, Edward, ornamental plaisterer, Week-street
 Bow, William, builder, County-road
 Brann, John, green-grocer, High-street
 Brattle, Thomas and Son, tailors, Gabriel's-hill
 Brattle, Brazier, tailor, Week-street
 Brenchley and Stacey, brewers, Stone-street
 Brenchley, Stephen, jun. baker, Week-street
 Brenchley, Thomas Francis Jones, grocer, Upper Stone-street
 Brewer, Henry, twine manufacturer, Union-street
 Brewer, Jonah, boot-maker, King-street
 Bricher, Mrs. C. dress-maker, Stone-street
 Briggs, Edward, sen. hatter, King-street
 Brislee, George, blacksmith, Knightrider-street
 Brissenden, John, confectioner, Week street
 Brissenden, Robert, collector, Union-street
 Bristow, William, baker, Upper Stone-street
 Brock, Mrs. milliner, Earl-street
 Brock, Jonathan, breeches-maker and glover, Gabriel's-hill
 Brooke, William, builder, King-street
 Brooks, Thomas William, coal-merchant, Upper Stone-street
 Brothers, Caroline and John, haberdashers, Week-street

- Brown & co., iron foundry, Waterside
 Brown, Cornelius, bookseller, High-street
 Brown, F. tailor, Jeffery-street
 Brown, George, baker, Stone-street
 Brown, John, sen. toyman, Week-street
 Brown, James, mast-maker, St. Faith's-street
 Brown, Joseph, printer and bookseller, Week-street
 Brown, Joseph, baker, Week-street
 Brown, Joseph, sen. and Sons, engine and pump-makers, brass-founders, and turners, Market-street
 Browne, John, boot and shoe-maker, Mill-street
 Bryan, John, engineer, Rocky Hill
 Buchanan, F. W. druggist, and bathing establishment, Week-street
 Buckingham, George, paper-maker, Carey-street
 Buckland, Friend Wm. clock-maker and whitesmith, Middle-row
 Bulmer, Martin, architect and surveyor, Week-street
 Bunyar, John, corn-dealer and miller, Stone-street
 Bunyard, James and Thomas, nursery and seedsmen, West Borough
 Bunyard, Thomas, coal-dealer, Camden-street
 Bunyard, Thomas, farmer, Loose-road
 Burch, John, bricklayer, Upper Stone-street
 Burch, Philadelphia, fly-proprietor, High Street
 Burch, James, turner, Bank Street and Romney Place
 Burch, William, watch maker, Bank-street
 Burgess, George, corn and coal-merchant, Week-street
 Burn, James, jun. paper-maker, Meadow
 Burr, Frederick, painter, Stone-street
 Burr, Henry, plumber, &c. High-street
 Busby, James, wholesale stationer, St. Faith-street
 Bushnell, Joseph, smith, Week-street
 Butcher, William, farmer, Loddington
 Button, William, carpenter, Earl-street
- Caney, John, carpenter, Brewer-street
 Caney, Thomas, coach-maker, Jeffery-street
 Cantan, Thomas, tailor, Upper Stone-street
 Carman, Robert, sail-maker, St. Faith-street
 Carpenter, John, gardener and seedsman, Brewer-street
 Carr, Charles, hatter, Market Buildings
 Carter, William, boot and shoe-maker, St. Faith-street
 Cartney, William, hawker, Union-street
 Caulfield, William, blacksmith, Wyatt-street
 Chaloner, John, painter, &c. Boxley-road
 Chambers, George, bricklayer, Wyatt-street
 Chambers, — straw bonnet-maker, Wheeler-street
 Champion, Mrs. eating house, Gabriel's-hill
 Chapell, Jonathan George, printer, Albion-place
 Chaplin, Robert, grocer, &c. High-street
 Chaplin, Sarah, coal-merchant, Pudding-lane
 Charlton, Charles, baker, High Street

Chittenden, Friend Edward, tailor, Stone Street
Chittenden, George, cabinet maker, Pudding Lane
Chittenden, John, carpenter and builder, Upper Stone-street
Chittenden, Mrs. butcher, Upper Stone Street
Claggett, Thomas, postman, Church Street
Clapson, John, broad cooper, Chancery Lane
Clayton and Birch, linen drapers, King Street
Clark, William, basket maker, Earl Street
Cleaver, John, Union Street
Cleaver, John, tailor, Week Street
Clegg, W. dyer, George Street
Clemson, Richard, sheepgate maker, King Street
Clever, William, builder, Orchard Street
Clifford, James, rope maker, Bank Street
Clifford, Robert, blacksmith, Union Street
Clinton, John, coltbreaker, Week Street
Clout, Thomas, builder, Marsham Street
Coatsworth, William, brewer, Upper Stone Street
Cobb, William, builder, King Street
Cogger, Miss, dressmaker, Mill Street
Cogger, John, farmer, Half Yoke
Cogger, William, clockmaker, Gabriel's Hill
Cole, Ann, confectioner, Gabriel's Hill
Cole, John, tailor, Meadow
Cole, James, hatter, Pudding Lane
Colegate, Richard King, builder, Week Street
Collens, George, timber merchant, Market Street
Collens, James, glover, Week Street
Collis, Mrs. builder, Stone Street
Cooe, Joseph, horse dealer, Romney Place
Cook, Thomas, baker, Havock Lane
Cook, Thomas, green grocer, King Street
Coomber, Mrs. staymaker, Albion Place
Cooper, Thomas, tanner, Gabriel's Hill
Cooper, Thomas, green grocer, Pudding Lane
Cooper, William, baker, Stone Street
Copleston, Thomas, plumber, &c. Wyatt Street
Cornell, — tailor, Brewer Street
Cornwell, Thomas, plumber, Union Street
Couchman, Charles, butcher, Loddington
Couchman, Richard, cabinet maker, Gabriel's Hill
Court, Thomas, plumber and painter, Union Street
Cramp, A. shoemaker, Jeffery-street
Crandall, William, linen draper, Week Street
Crane, W. baker, Jeffery Street
Crispe, John, cabinet maker, King Street
Crispe, William Henry, butcher, High Street
Croker, Edward, cooper, Week Street
Crouch, John, grocer, ditto
Crowther, Richard, grocer, Wheeler Street

- Crundwell, Charles, cooper, Upper Stone Street
 Crundwell, James, plumber, Upper Stone Street
 Cruttenden, John, plumber, &c. Week Street
 Cullum, John, accountant, Mote Road
 Cutbush, Mary and George, maltsters, King Street
 Cutbush, Richard James, printer, Week Street
 Cutbush, Robert, plumber, &c. King Street
- Dale, Robert Dickenson, chimney sweeper, Rose Yard
 Dampier, George, wharfinger, Waterside
 Dann, George, brazier, High Street
 Dann, George, farmer, Loddington
 Dann, William, clocksmith, Week Street
 Davis, J. boot and shoemaker, Brewer Street
 Davis, William, boot and shoemaker, Romney Place
 Dawes, Josiah, nurseryman, Albion Place
 Dawson, John, boot and shoemaker, Market Buildings
 Dawson, William Sandwell, confectioner, Week Street
 Dawson, William, builder, Loose Road
 Day, Richard, farmer, Half Yoke
 Day, William, cornfactor, High Street
 Day and Stanger, brokers, &c. High Street
 Dean, Edward, town carter, Wheeler Street
 Dear, James, dairyman, Week Street
 Dear, William Richard Deacon, butcher, Week Street
 Delo, George, basket and sieve maker, Bank Street
 Denne, William, cabinet-maker, King Street
 Dickenson, John, grocer and cheesemonger, Gabriel's Hill
 Dickson, Alexander, draper, Church Street
 Diprose, John, sexton, Mill Street
 Diprose, William, cutler, High Street
 Dixon, and Co. tea-dealers, High Street
 Doe, John, butcher, High Street
 Doe, John, jun. butcher, Brewer Street
 Downing, William, excise officer, Church Street
 Drayton, Henry, grocer, Camden Street
 Driver, John, hairdresser, Week Street
 Drury, Henry, wharfinger, West Borough
 Dungey, John Theopholis, millwright, Albion Place
 Dunmill, William Barrow, saddler, Gabriel's Hill
 Durrant, John, tailor, Great Bridge
 Durrant, Woodgate, butcher, Week Street
- Eastham, William, plumber, &c. Week Street
 Edgley, Crispianus, grocer, Camden Street
 Edmett, Thomas, upholsterer, Middle Row
 Edmett, William and George, linen drapers, High Street
 Elliott, George, tailor, Brewer Street
 Ellis, Charles, and Co. ironmongers, Gabriel's Hill
 Elvy, Thomas, pork butcher, King Street

- England, William, grocer and cheesemonger, Week Street
 Evenden, Charles, butcher, Upper Stone Street
 Evernden, Thomas, carpenter, Union Street

 Fancett, E. dressmaker, Wyatt Street
 Farrant and Spearing, ironmongers, High Street
 Fauchon, James, cornfactor, Upper Stone Street
 Field, Samuel, builder, Tovil
 Fish, William, brewer, Earl Street
 Fleming, Charles Turner, furrier, Middle Row
 Ford, Robert, plumber, &c. Union Street
 Foreman, George, grocer, Upper Stone Street
 Foster, Lawrence, tea-dealer, Wheeler Street
 Fowle, Thomas, carpenter, St. Faith-street
 Fowler, Richard, music seller, Gabriel's Hill
 French, A. W. clockmaker, King-street
 Frith, Stephen, grocer, Camden Street
 Frith, Stephen Neighbour, mail contractor, Jeffery Street
 Fulljames, Robert, grocer and cheesemonger, High Street

 Gandy, William, confectioner, Week Street
 Garratt, Balls & Co., iron foundery, Earl Street
 Garside, James Crowther, musician, Orchard Street
 Gegan, James, carver and guilder, Bank Street
 Gibbon, Mrs. S. milliner, &c. Albion Place
 Gibbons, William, farmer, Gould's Court
 Gilbert, George and Joseph Thomas, rope manufacturers, Gabriel's
 Hill
 Gilbert, John, cornfactor, Week Street
 Giles, Nicholas, watchmaker, Stone Street
 Goodchild, Robert, grocer, Wyatt Street
 Goodwin, James, mule proprietor, High Street
 Goodwin, John, grocer, Albion Place
 Goodwin, Samuel, builder, Church Street
 Goodwin, William, poulterer, Middle Row
 Gower, William, cornfactor, Great Bridge
 Green, John, sen. papermould maker, Mill Street
 Griffiths, Thomas, tea-dealer, Week Street
 Gurney and Haynes, ironmongers, ditto

 Hadlow, William, coach builder, King Street
 Hadlow, William, butcher, Union Street
 Haffenden, John, seedsman, Stone Street
 Haffenden, William, gardener, Knightrider Street
 Haffenden, William John, grocer and cheesemonger, Week Street
 Hall, John, salesman and butcher, High Street
 Hall, John, straw hat maker, Wyatt Street
 Hall and Son, printers and booksellers, High Street
 Hall, Robert, coach proprietor, Union Street
 Hammond, William, straw hat maker, Week Street and Bower

- Harding, William, builder, Carey Street
 Harris, John Polhill, grocer, Havock Lane
 Harris, S. and M. fringe and braid warehouse, High-street
 Harris, Walter, hatter, High Street
 Harrison, E. dressmaker, Union Street
 Hartnup, John, farmer, Barming Heath Road
 Hawthorn, Adam Duncan, boot and shoemaker, Bank Street
 Haynes, Edward, confectioner, King Street
 Hearnden, John Hogben, marine store dealer, Week Street
 Hearnden, William, butcher, Water Lane
 Heath, Stephen, baker, Upper Stone Street
 Heathorn, Charles, lime manufacturer, Hart-street and County Road
 Heathorn, John, brewer, Earl Street
 Hiezman, Charles, dutch clock maker, Week Street
 Henty, Edward, carpenter, Brewer Street
 Hester, John, clothier, Stone Street
 Hewlett, Ebenezer, baker, Wyatt Street
 Hickmott, William, baker, King Street
 Higgins and Wright, corn factors, High Street
 Hills, Francis, baker, Mote Road
 Hills, George, fishmonger, Parliament Street
 Hills, Robert, baker, Stone Street
 Hills, Walter, tailor and draper, Week Street
 Hoadly, Alexander, coach builder, ditto
 Hoadly, Mrs. fringe and braid warehouse, ditto
 Hobbs, William, trunk maker, Earl Street
 Hobson, Ann Sophia, milliner, High Street
 Hodgskin, John Rogers, grocer and cheesemonger, King Street
 Holland, Charles, farmer, Boxley and Week Street
 Hollingworth, Messrs. paper manufacturers, Turkey Mill
 Holloway, William, builder, Brewer Street
 Holloway, William Bassett, grocer, &c. Week Street
 Holmes, Richard, chinaman, High Street
 Holmes, Richard, tailor, Union Street
 Homer, Benjamin, smith, Mote Road
 Homer, Charles, smith, Week Street
 Hooker, John, accountant, Brewer Street
 Hopkins, Henry, timber merchant, Brewer Street and Waterside
 Hopkins, Thomas, dyer, High Street
 Howes, John, brewer, Upper Stone Street
 Hughes, Robert, horse dealer, St. Faith Street
 Hughes, Mrs. dressmaker, Brunswick Street
 Hughes, Thomas, fruiterer, Tovil Road
 Hughes, William, confectioner, Pudding Lane
 Hulburd, George, hatter, Post Office, Week Street
 Hunt, Anthony, and Sons, corn and coal merchant, Upper Stone-st. and Canal Wharf
 Hunt, Edward, grocer, Week Street

- Hunt, Edward, farmer, Harbour Land
 Hyde, Thomas, chinaman and Kentish matting manufacturer,
 High Street
 Hyland, John, grocer, King Street
 Isaac, John Shelton, saddler, High Street
 Jackson, William Richard Radley, silversmith, &c. Gabriel's Hill
 Jacobs, Jacob, seedsman and agent for Ransome's ploughs, Week St.
 Jarrett, E. carpenter, Union Street
 Jarrett, John, salesman and butcher, High Street
 Jennings, Richard, tailor, Church Street
 Jennings, Mrs. dressmaker ditto
 Jessell, Michael Aaron, hardwareman, Middle Row
 Johnson, Benjamin, hairdresser, Bank Street
 Johnson, George, basket maker, Wyatt Street
 Johnson, Thomas, butcher, Gabriel's Hill
 Johnson, William, tobacconist, Week Street
 Jordan, Daniel, carpenter, Carey Street
 Jordan, Robert Collens, hairdresser and toyman, Week Street
 Joslen, Jonathan Pollard, wholesale stationer, Market Buildings,
 and Earl Street
 Judge, William, accountant, Wyatt Street
 Jury, George, tailor, Gabriel's Hill
 Jury, William, plumber, &c. Stone Street
 Kemp, John, dairyman, Union Street
 Kemp, Thomas, maltster, Loose Road
 Kemp and Elphee, linen drapers, Week Street
 Kennard, Elizabeth, brazier, Bank Street
 Kennett, George, butcher, King Street
 Kettle, Henry, shoemaker, Carey Street
 Kiernan, John, tailor, Week Street
 Kingman, Richard, timber carrier, Upper Stone Street
 Kipping, Henry, sheriff's officer and broker, King Street
 Kirk, Robert, tailor, Upper Stone Street
 Knell, Ann, stay and belt maker, King Street
 Knell, Robert, timber merchant, Boxley Road
 Knight, John and Charles, brush manufacturers, Gabriel's Hill
 Knight, William, hairdresser, Union Street
 Knott, Michael, cornfactor, Week Street
 Knowles, Charles, feltmaker, Wheeler Street
 Knowles, Edward, gardener, Queen Ann Road
 Knowles, Henry, chemist and druggist, High Street
 Laker, John, builder, Brewer Street
 Laker, Thomas, house agent, Union Street
 Lampard, Stephen, postman, Week Street
 Laplain, Charles, printer, Wheeler Street
 Laplain, Miss, straw bonnet maker, Havock Lane

Larking, John, carrier, Pudding Lane
 Larking, John, boot and shoemaker, Week Street
 Lashmar, Matthew, haberdasher and hosier, Bank Street
 Lawrence, David William, gunmaker, Upper Stone Street
 Leach, Mrs. dressmaker, Brewer Street
 Lindridge, George, bookseller and newsvender, Week Street
 Lintott, Edward, musician, Union Street
 Long, Edward, boot and shoemaker, Union Street
 Luckhurst, John, licensed to let horses, Queen Ann Road
 Lurcock, John, bookseller, King Street

Mackellow, John, watchmaker, King Street
 Maidman, Robert, butcher, King Street
 Major, Michael Minter, grocer and cheesemonger, Bank Street
 Manwarring, Richard, watchmaker, Earl Street
 Marchant, Joseph, clothier, Gabriel's Hill
 Mares and Argles, chemists and druggists, Bank-street
 Mares, Misses, milliners, Portland Place, Church Street
 Marsh, John, boot and shoemaker, High Street
 Marshall, Ann, milliner, Week Street
 Marshall, Henry, hairdresser and toyman, King Street
 Marshall, Henry, hairdresser, Upper Stone Street
 Martin, Edward, dairyman, Havock Lane
 Martin, James, omnibus proprietor, High Street
 Martin, John, silversmith, High Street
 Martin, Joseph, tailor, High Street
 Mason, Edward, wharfinger, Waterside
 Mason, Thomas, tailor, Union Street
 Mason, William, farmer, Boxley Road
 Masters, Charles, bootmaker, Week Street
 Masters, William, butcher, Stone Street
 Masters, William, corn and coal merchant, Romney Place and
 Albion Wharf

May, Ann, dressmaker, Wyatt Street
 Mead, Henry, baker, King Street
 Meades, Samuel, jun. wire worker, Union Street
 Mercer and Parton, millers, Mill Street
 Mercer, W. hairdresser, High Street
 Merrall, John, wheelwright and smith, Upper Stone Street
 Merroney, Mrs. dressmaker, Brunswick Street
 Middlemas, Miss, dressmaker, Marsham Street
 Miller, John, plumber, &c. Week Street
 Miller, James, tea-dealer, Portland Place, Church Street
 Miller, William, tailor, Havock Lane
 Millen, Henry, appraiser, Woollett Street
 Millingchamp, William, baker, Week Street
 Mills, Edward, druggist, Week Street
 Mitchell, John, baker, High Street
 Mitchell, Thomas, cornfactor, Stone Street
 Moodie, Douglas, linen draper, Week Street

- Moore, John, blacksmith, Union Street
 Morfill, William, sen. tea-dealer, Wheeler Street
 Morgan, Joseph Langdon, saddler, High Street
 Morris, John, tinplate worker, Upper Stone Street
 Morris, Samuel and Henry, auctioneers and estate agents, Week-St.
 Morris, Samuel, upholsterer, &c. Week Street
 Morton, John Henry, grocer, Week Street
 Moseley and Dunmill, coopers, &c. Gabriel's Hill
 Munn, Miss, dress maker, Marsham Street
 Munk, Edward, grocer and cheesemonger, Stone Street and Market Buildings
 Munk & Co., grocers and cheesemongers, West Borough
 Munn, John, plumber, &c. Upper Stone Street
 Myers, Daniel, pawnbroker, clothier, &c. High-street

 Nash, Edward and Son, carpenters and wheelwrights, St. Faith's Green
 Needham, boot and shoemaker, King Street
 Nicholson, John, surveyor of taxes, King Street
 Nicholson, Richard, printer, Brewer Street
 Nickells, Joseph, shoemaker, Week Street
 Nicolles, George, seedsman, &c. High Street
 Norton, J. millwright, Tovil
 Nye, George, auctioneer and broker, Gabriel's Hill

 Oliver, Edward and James, curriers, High Street
 Oliver, Edward and James, butchers, High Street
 Oliver, George, butcher, Bank Street
 Oliver, George, butcher, Earl Street
 Oliver, James Edward, butcher, Week Street
 Oliver, Joseph, William, and Charles, curriers, Week Street
 Oliver, Misses, butchers, Week Street
 Oliver, Mrs. dressmaker, Earl Street
 Oliver, Thomas Overy, baker, Earl Street
 Oliver, Walter, cabinet maker, Week Street
 Oliver, William, plumber and painter, Earl Street
 Orford, Mrs. staymaker, High Street
 Orford, Thomas, stone mason, Mill Street
 Ostler, Charles, bookbinder, Union Street

 Packham, John, trussmaker, King Street
 Page, Edward, baker, Union Street
 Page, Gregory, schoolmaster, Market Street
 Paine, John, farmer, Loddington
 Paine, Joseph, hairdresser, Week Street
 Paine, William, tailor, Earl Street
 Pakes, Thomas, — Chancery Lane
 Paris, Thomas, boot and shoemaker, Stone Street
 Parker, M. & A. milliners, Marsham Street
 Parks, Thomas, baker, King Street

Pattenden, George, butcher, Sandling Road
 Pattenden, Robert, jun. butcher, Stone Street
 Pearce, William, egg merchant, Wheeler Street
 Pearson, Jonathan and Henry, smiths and brass founders, West Boro'
 Pearson, Thomas, boot and shoemaker, Wheeler Street
 Pearson, Thomas, jun. boot and shoemaker, Camden Street
 Pell, Thomas, cork cutter, Stone Street
 Peskett, Philip, draper and clothier, Gabriel's Hill
 Peters, George, tea-dealers, Stone Street
 Philpot, George, hairdresser, and register office for servants, Stone-St.
 Piety, Richard, fishmonger, Market Street
 Pike, M. tea-dealer, Camden Street
 Pike, Mrs. dressmaker, Winchester Place
 Pike, William, auctioneer and house agent, Romney Place
 Pilbrow, James, auctioneer and broker, Stone street
 Piper, Charles, grocer, Havock Lane
 Piper, Henry, millwright, ditto
 Piper, Philip Detellin, builder, County Road
 Piper, Thomas, millwright, Brewer Street
 Pittfield, Hatton, boot and shoemaker, Union Street
 Plater, William, grocer, King Street
 Plimpton, Samuel Sheafe, cornfactor, High Street
 Poole, James, linen draper, Week Street
 Poole, S. milliner, King Street
 Pooly, Edwin, timber merchant, Market Street and Boxley Road
 Pooly, George, coal and stone merchant, Waterside
 Pooly, Joseph, builder, West Borough
 Potts and Franklyn, wine merchants, Market Buildings
 Powell, James, tailor, Camden Street
 Pratt, George, carpenter, Carey Street
 Prentis, George, wine merchant, Earl Street
 Prentis & Co. brass founders and cement manufactory, Waterside
 Price, Thomas, paper hauger and licenced to let horses, King Street
 Pybus, Thomas, timber merchant, Waterside

Railton, Thomas Robert, hatter, Bank Street
 Ransley, James, boot and shoemaker, Earl Street
 Rawlison, Thomas and John, stone masons, Knightrider Street
 Rayfield, James, butcher, Tovil
 Reader, John, tailor, Earl Street
 Reader, Walter, saddler, Stone Street
 Rice, Thomas, baker, Union Street
 Rix, Henry, coal merchant, Wheeler Street
 Roberts, T. linen draper, Gabriel's Hill
 Robinson, George, baker, Wheeler Street
 Robinson, James, boot and shoemaker, Week Street
 Robinson, J. tea-dealer, High Street
 Robinson, Samuel, confectioner and baker, King Street
 Room, Richard, chinaman, King Street
 Rowe, Mrs. straw hat maker, Mill Street

Ruck, Benjamin, builder, Week Street
Ruck, James, boot and shoemaker, King Street
Russell, George, painter, Maryland Point
Russell, James, — Brewer Street
Russell, John, poulterer, Week Street
Russell, Mary, baker, Wheeler Street

Salmon, William, auctioneer, Week Street
Sanders, John, grocer, Wheeler Street
Savage, Richard, dairyman, West Borough
Sawer, Joseph Pobjoy, cabinet maker, County Road
Scannell, Peter, tailor, Brewer Street
Sellen, Joseph, grocer, Stone Street
Sergeant, Richard, oilman, Week Street
Settle, William, grocer, Brewer Street
Sharp, John, — Wheeler Street
Sharp, Joseph, jun. gunsmith, King Street
Sharp, Sarah and Richard William, wine merchants, Earl Street
Shaw, Thomas, pipemaker, Union Street and Rose Yard
Sheen, Thomas, currier and boot and shoemaker, Gabriel's Hill
Short, William, nursery and seedsman, Market Buildings
Short, George, hatter, Bank Street
Short, James, green grocer, Earl Street
Short, William, green grocer, King Street
Shreeves, William, builder, Wheeler Street
Shrubsole, George, blacksmith, Upper Stone Street
Sills, John, stone mason, Week Street
Silverlock, Edward, linen draper, High Street
Simmonds, Charles, tailor, King Street
Simmonds, Henry and Son, corn and coal merchants, Bridge Wharf
Simmonds, Stephen, butcher, Stone Street
Simpson, George, clock-maker, Carey Street
Sinden, William, baker, Carey Street
Skinner, Ezekiel, boot and shoemaker, Market Buildings
Slade, Ann, dressmaker, King Street
Slaughter, William, veterinary surgeon, Earl Street
Smallman, Miss, milliner, High Street
Smith, George, chemist and druggist, Gabriel's Hill
Smith, Henry, auctioneer, Stone Street
Smith, Henry, boot and shoemaker, Week Street
Smith, John, tailor, Mill Street
Smith, John, printer, bookseller and stationer, Week Street
Smith, John, basket-maker, Wheeler Street
Smith, John, broker, &c. King Street
Smith, Lewis Henry, saddler, Gabriel's Hill
Smith, Thomas, green grocer, King Street
Smith, Thomas, farmer, Scrubbs
Smith and Allnutt, paper manufacturers, Tovil
Smythe, William, timber merchant, Rocky Hill

- Spencer, Richard Read and George, wine merchants, Week Street
 Spong, William Bowles, coachbuilder, Middle Row
 Springate, Richard, marine store dealer, Week Street
 Stacey, James, baker, Week Street
 Standen, Thomas, brewer, Pudding Lane
 Standen, Thomas, grocer, Union Street
 Stanford, Henry, boot and shoemaker, High Street
 Stanger, James, ironmonger, High Street
 Stanger, John, flyman, Rose Yard
 Stanley, Samuel, butcher, Week Street
 Stanworth, Mrs. dressmaker, Mote Road
 Staples, James, tobacconist, Week Street
 Staples, Mrs. register office for servants, Week Street
 Steer, James, foreign fruiterer and tallow chandler, High Street
 Steinmetz, William Thomas, oil mills, Tovil
 Stevens, C. straw hat maker, Wheeler Street
 Stevens, William, cooper, King Street
 Stiles, William, chinaman, Upper Stone Street
 Stone, Alfred, druggist, High Street
 Stonham, Samuel, butcher, Earl Street
 Stonham, Stephen, relieving officer Maidstone Union, 92, Upper
 Stone Street
 Stubbersfield, John, turner, &c. Gabriel's Hill
 Sturges, J. baker, Bower Place
 Styles, William, — Woollett Street
 Summerfield, Richard, surveyor, Week Street
 Sutton, Edward, jun. baker, St. Peter Street
 Sutton, John, stone mason, West Borough
 Sutton, John Windram, clocksmith, Union Street
 Sweetlove, James, collector, King Street
 Swinfen, Spencer Bow, ginger beer manufacturer, Sandling Road
 Swinfen, John, gun-maker, sword cutler, engraver, &c. opposite the
 Barracks
 Syckelmoore, E. milliner and dressmaker, Astley Street
- Tanner, Benjamin and Edward Russell, woolstaplers and tanners,
 Bank Street
 Tanner, George, tailor, Earl Street
 Tassell and Laurence, grocers and cheesemongers, High Street
 Tassell, Thomas, builder, London Road
 Tassell, Mrs. milliner, Bank Street
 Tate, James, silversmith, High Street
 Taylor, Mrs. dressmaker, Market Buildings
 Terrill, Colin, tailor, Week Street
 Terry, George, saddler, Upper Stone Street
 Thatcher, John, dealer in British wine, Church Street
 Thomas, Thomas, tailor, King Street
 Thomas, Miss, milliner, Upper Stone Street
 Tindall, Henry, measure manufacturer, Church Street
 Tolhurst, William Henry, currier, Gabriel's Hill

Tootell, Joseph, land surveyor and auctioneer, High Street
Trimmer, William Willis, chinaman, Gabriel's Hill
Tucker, Wm. dyer, Cobourg Cottage
Turner, Richard and Thomas, paper manufacturers, Tovil
Tusler, John, staymaker, High Street
Tuson, Henry, baker, Week Street
Twitchell, George Hearn, working jeweller, King Street
Tyler, Benjamin, master chimney sweep, Pudding Lane
Tyler, John, shoemaker, Union Street

Usmar, Robert, butcher, Brewer Street
Usmar, William Stephen, butcher, Union Street

Valentine, William John, plumber, &c. High Street
Vigor and Middlemas, dressmakers, Marsham Street

Waghorne, James, watchmaker and fancy repository, Gabriel's Hill
Wakefield, George, carpenter, Knightrider Street
Wakeford, George, hairdresser, Gabriel's Hill
Walker, John, architect and surveyor, King Street
Wallace, John, seedsman, Gabriel's Hill
Wallis, William, coach proprietor, Brewer Street
Walter, William, corkcutter, Stone Street
Ward, Richard, grocer, Week Street
Warwick, Isaac, linen draper, High Street
Waters, Jonathan, dairyman, Union Street
Waters, Mrs. S. grocer, Hart Street
Wattell, John Boorman, coach-builder, King Street
Watts, James, Edward and John, linendrapers, High Street
Weekes, William, tailor, Week Street
Weeks, William, millwright, Upper Stone Street
West, Michael, carpenter, Carey Street
Westbrook, Thomas, baker, High Street
Westcot, Thomas, carrier, Wheeler Street
Westover, Jonathan, dairyman, Wheeler Street
Wheelan, William, currier, Week Street
Wheeler, Benjamin, grocer and cheesemonger, Week Street
Whichcord, John, architect and surveyor, Week Street
White, James, foreign fruiterer, Week Street
Wibley, George, baker, Camden Street
Wickens, James, sen. carpenter, Meadow
Wickham, Friend, broker, Earl Street
Wickham, Mrs. bookseller and stationer, Week Street
Wickham, William, maltster, Week Street
Wicks, Thomas, cornfactor, Earl Street
Wildish, W. coffee-house keeper, Market Buildings
Willcocks, Thomas, grocer and cheesemonger, High Street
Williams, Mrs. dressmaker, Brewer Street
Willis, John, iron and brass founder, Market Street
Wills, William, painter, Stone Street

Wilson, George, baker, St. Faith's Street
 Wilson, John, — Brunswick Street
 Wilson, John, miller, Tovil
 Wilson, John Lambert, tailor, King Street
 Wilson, Robert, miller, Tovil
 Wimble, Edward, coal merchant, Earl Street
 Wimble, Edward, chemist and druggist, Week Street
 Woodman, William, carpenter, Union Street
 Woodward, Thomas, clothier, Gabriel's Hill
 Woolley, Philip Samuel, dyer, Pudding Lane
 Worley, George, dairyman, Havock Lane
 Wright, Charles, pork butcher, Week Street
 Wright, George, maltster, St. Faith's Street
 Wright, Henry, coal merchant, Meadow and Romney Place
 Wright, John, tailor, King Street
 Wright, William, baker, Bank Street
 Wyman, Miss H. dressmaker, County Road

 Yates, William, stone mason, Earl Street and Week Street
 Young, Benjamin, ornamental plasterer, Portland Place, Church-st.
 Young, Henry, auctioneer and appraiser, Week Street

LICENSED VICTUALLERS.

NAME.	SIGN.	STREET.
Barnett, John	White Hart	West Borough.
Barnett, Charles	Jolly Waterman	Earl Street.
Bryans, Samuel	Haunch Venison	High Street.
Chaplin, Thomas P.	Marquis of Granby	Ditto.
Deall, Edward	Antient Druid	Wheeler Street.
Dell, Thomas	Monk's Head	Stone Street.
Dunk, Robert	Two Brewers	Week Street.
Featherstone, William	Windsor Castle	Ditto.
Field, Michael	Artichoke	Artichoke Gate.
Finn, William	County Arms	County Road.
Furminger, John	Coal Barge	Earl Street.
Good, William	Plough	Upper Stone Street.
Grover, William	Running Horse	Sandling.
Haywood, William	George	Gabriel's Hill.
Hills, Henry	Ship	Ditto.
Hills, Ann	Nag's Head	Week Street.
Hogbin, Kennett	Golden Lion	Mill Street.
Jury, Henry	Bull Inn	Gabriel's Hill.
Jury, Edward	Lord Nelson	St. Faith's Street.
Kennett, Bishop	Swan Inn	High Street.
Kennett, Catharine	Dog-and-Bear	King Street.
Kirby, John	Queen Ann	Queen Ann Road.
Lane, Edward	Grasshopper	Sandling Road
Matthews, William	King's Head	West Borough.
Mills, Richard	Wheat Sheaf	Sherold Pond.

NAME.	SIGN.	STREET.
Mitchell, Elizabeth C.	Red Lion	High Street.
Moreton, Thomas	Duke of Marlborough	Union Street.
Misson, William	Unicorn	Earl Street.
Newman, John	Town Arms	Stone Street.
Norburn, Joseph	Castle Inn	Week Street.
Oliver, Henry	Turk's Head	High Street.
Ongley, Thomas	Red Lion	Sandling.
Pattenden, Robert.	Compasses	Week Street
Payne, Jarvis.	Rose and Crown	High Street.
Pearce, Frances.	Gibraltar	Sandling.
Poolly, Elizabeth	Prince of Wales.	West Borough.
Potter, John	Fortune of War.	Upper Stone Street.
Pound, James	Three Tuns.	King Street.
Rawlings, William	Roebuck	Week Street.
Randall, William	New Inn.	Sandling Road
Reader, Walter Hills.	White Lion	Stone Street.
Saunders, Samuel	Admiral Rodney	High Street.
Scoones, John.	Star Inn	Ditto.
Seamer, Sophia.	Fountain.	Week Street.
Sharp, Samuel	General Kingsley	Ditto.
Simmonds, Thomas	Royal Oak	King Street.
Simmons, William.	Queen's Head.	High Street.
Smith, Timothy.	Blacksmiths' Arms.	Rocky Hill.
Stiles, George	Huntsman	Boxley.
Spencer, Abraham.	Mitre	High Street.
Stonham, Stephen.	Sun Inn	High Street.
Swinfen, John	Canteen	Barrack Yard.
Taylor, Thomas.	The Lamb	Fair Meadow.
Ushmar, Russell	Union Flag.	Union Street
Vigor, William	Globe	Knightrider Street
Waters, George.	Bricklayer's Arms.	Wheeler Street.
Wickham, Friend	Brittannia	George Street.
Wildish, Valentine.	Bell Inn	Week Street.
Yates, William	King's Arms	East Street

LICENSED BEER SELLERS.

Ansell, William, Fair Meadow	Brown, Henry, Wheeler-street
Attaway, Robert, Wheeler-street	Bruster, John, York-place
Baker, Richard, Wheeler-street	Buckland, Ann, High-street
Bear, James, King-street	Bugden, Henry, Paradise-row
Bevis, John, Union-street	Bunyer, Edward, Week-street
Bodkin, Thos. Upper Stone-st.	Burton, Thomas, George-street
Bolston, Edwin Pooly, Week-st.	Busbridge, Joseph, Upper Stone-street
Bredgar, James, Pleasant-row	Carpenter, Maria, Stone-street
Birchall, Charles, High Street	Cheeseman, Sarah, Earl-street
Britcher, George, George-street	Clemson, Richard, King-street
Broad, Mary, Union-street	Coatsworth, Wm. Upper Stone-street
Brooker, Thomas, Mote-road	

- Collins, Thomas, Upper Stone-st.
 Cooper, Richard, County-road
 Cornwell, Thomas, Union-street
 Dale, John, Jeffrey-street
 Dickeson, Robert, Parliament-st.
 Dungey, Harriet, Gabriel's-hill
 Feakins, John, Tufton-street
 Goding, John, Union-street
 Groombridge, Wm. Marsham-st.
 Harris, Thomas, Rose-yard
 Henty, Mary, Week-street
 Heybourn, Henry, York-place
 Highwood, Wm. John, Wyatt-st.
 Hills, Thomas, Mote Road
 Hills, William, Fair Meadow
 Hills, Francis, Mote-road
 Hodges, Sarah, Jeffrey-street
 Hodges, William, Union-street
 Hodges, John, Surry-place, Far-
 leigh-road
 Hounslow, George, Brunswick-st.
 Howes, John, Upper Stone-st.
 Hyde, John, Water-lane
 Inkpen, Joseph, Havoc-lane
 Kingman, Richard, Upper Stone-
 street
 Lester, Thomas, Union-street
 Long, James, Lime Kiln-row
 Manwaring, William, Stone-st.
 Marchant, George, Great Bridge
 Mitchell, John, Tufton-street
 Moon, John, Earl-street
 Morfill, William, Wheeler-street
 Mortimer, Fuller, St. Faith's-st.
 Ogden, Benjamin, Market-street
 Ottaway, Robert, Union-street
 Parker, James, Waterside
 Pearce, Edward, Parliament-st.
 Pound, Susan, Queen Ann-road
 Rankin, John, St. Faith's-street
 Reader, Mary, Upper Stone-st.
 Rogers, George, Bower-road
 Robinson, George, Wheeler-st.
 Rose, Thomas, High-street
 Ruck, Henry, St. Faith's-street
 Savage, Richard, St. Peter's-st.
 Shadgett, Benjamin, Havoc-la.
 Sheppard, Sarah, Union-street
 Shrubsole, George, Upper Stone-
 street
 Sills, Thomas, Pleasant-row
 Smith, Timothy, Rocky-hill
 Stacey, James, York-place
 Standen, Thomas, Pudding-lane
 Streeton, Benjamin, Parliament-
 street
 Streeter, Henry, Upper Stone-st.
 Stroud, Wm. Upper Stone-street
 Sutton, James, West Borough
 Sutton, George Coast, Rocky-hill
 Swaine, John, Fair Meadow
 Swinfen, Spencer Bow, Week-st.
 Thomsett, George, St. Peter's-st.
 Tilby, William, Waterside
 Usborne, George, Upper Stone-
 street
 Usher, Frederick, York-place
 Vaysey, John, Wyatt-street
 Vile, Henry, Brewer-street
 Westbrook, Thomas, High-street
 Weston, Stephen, Medway-street
 Wickenden, John, Mill-street
 Wickenden, Robert, West Boro'
 Wilson, John Lambert, King-st.
 Woollett, William, Camden-st.

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 Alfree, Mr. G. Otham
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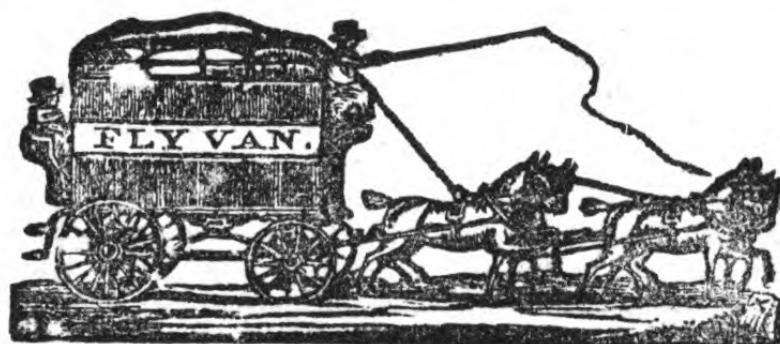
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