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ACCESSIONS, 1957-58

THE principal accessions received in the County Archives Office between 1st August, 1957, and 31st July, 1958 have been:

BOROUGH RECORDS

Queenborough [Cat. Mk. Qb] transferred on loan by Queenborough Borough Council.

Administration: Statute book, 14th century, with entries of ordinances and freedoms, 1452-91; assembly books, 1728-1835; appointments and bonds of officers, 16th to 19th centuries; legal and parliamentary papers, 19th century.

Finance: Chamberlain's accounts, etc., 1611-1883; oyster fishery books, 1753-c.1810; oyster accounts and vouchers, 1721-1839; land bailiff's vouchers, 1734-1844; miscellaneous vouchers, 1574-1840.

Justice: Sessions rolls, 1721-1835; sessions orders, 1819-85; licensed victuallers' recognizances, 1598-1650; oath rolls, 1714-23; sacrament certificates, c.1673-1717; borough court plea books, 1573-1735; borough court papers, 17th-18th centuries; view of frankpledge, etc., 1496-1885; court baron, etc. papers, c.1600-1750.

Registration: Freemen's certificates, 1703-24; freemen's lists, 1754-1817; precepts, oaths, etc. for freemen, 18th century; poll books, 1688-1826; certificates of election of M.P.'s., 1583-1812; apprenticeship indentures, 1598-1839.

Title deeds: Queenborough, Seasalter, Woolwich, Minster, etc., 1569-19th century; oyster fishery, 1726; copperas works, 1640.

Miscellanea: charitable briefs for Queenborough church, 1660; papers for lieutenancy, market, port, etc., c. 1570-1880.

ECCLESIASTICAL RECORDS

Rochester Bishopric Estates [Cat. Mk. CCRb] deposited by the Church Commissioners.

Manorial documents: Rochester, Bromley, Halling, Cuxton, Snodland, Stone-next-Dartford, Trottiscliffe, 1636-1859. Title-deeds: Bromley, Denton, etc., 1723-1874.

Rochester Chapter Estates [Cat. Mk. CCRc] deposited by the Church Commissioners.

Manorial documents: court books, 1510-1750, 1852-64, and surveys

and rentals, 1390-1742, for Rochester, Strood, Chart Sutton, Cliffe, Darenth, Denton, Doddington, Frindsbury (including original survey, 1511-12), Goudhurst, Hoo St. Werburgh, Horsmonden, Lamberhurst, Lidsing, Maidstone, Penshurst, Southfleet, Sutton Valence, Sutton-at-Hone, Thurnham, Wateringbury, Woodnesborough, Wouldham.

Title deeds: Addington, Ashford, Bapchild, Barming, Bearsted, Bicknor, Boughton Malherbe, Boughton Monchelsea, Boughton under Blean, Bromley, Chalk, Chart Sutton, Chatham, Cliffe, Cobham, Cooling, Cuxton, Darenth, Dartford, Denton, West Farleigh, Faversham, Frindsbury, Gillingham, Goudhurst, Graveney, Halling, High Halstow, Harrietsham, Hartley, Hartlip, Higham, Hoo Allhallows, St. Mary & St. Werburgh, Horsmonden, Lamberhurst, Lenham, Longfield, Luddenham, Maidstone, Marden, Mersham, Milton-next-Gravesend, Nettlestead, Norton, Ospringe, Otterden, West Peckham, Rochester, Rolvenden, New and Old Romney, Ruckinge, Sarre, Shorne, Sittingbourne, Snodland, Southfleet, Stockbury, Stoke, Stone-next-Faversham, Stourmouth, Strood, Sutton-at-Hone, Tonge, Trottiscliffe, Ulcombe, Wateringbury, Wilmington, Woodnesborough, Wouldham, Wrotham, Yalding, 16th century-1897.

PAROCHIAL RECORDS

(a) Diocese of Canterbury

Biddenden [Cat. Mk. P26]. Church rates, 1843-60; constables' accounts, 1782-1833; overseers' rates, 1827-83; accounts, 1690-1869; surveyors' rates, 1836-46; accounts, 1768-1862; charity accounts, 1783-1883; charity papers, 1485-1894; tithe schedule, 1838; day book of Bursar of Merton College, Oxford, 1752-67.

Little Chart [Cat. Mk. P82]. Registers, 1538-1836, with poor accounts, 1552-3; churchwardens' accounts, 1568-79, 1610; overseers' accounts, 1734-78, 1819-37.

Frittenden [Cat. Mk. P152]. Overseers' rates, 1837-52; accounts, 1704-1847; poor law papers, 1589-1801; surveyors, rates, 1836-57; accounts, 1727-1856; charity accounts, 1631-1817; charity papers, 1609-1824.

Smarden [Cat. Mk. P339]. Inspeximus of market charter of Edward III to Simon de Mepham, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1576.

Ulcombe [Cat. Mk. P376]. Surveyors' accounts, 1838-9.

(b) Diocese of Rochester

Birling [Cat. Mk. P29]. (additional) Churchwardens' accounts and rates, 1612-1908; visitation book, 1841-1902; vestry minutes, 1866-1894; surveyors' rates, 1771-1848.

Shorne [Cat. Mk. P336]. Registers, 1538-1818; churchwardens' accounts, 1630-81, 1868-1923; vestry minutes, 1812-1918; accounts,

1860-1919; Church Restoration Committee minutes, 1873-5; overseers' rates, 1800-31; accounts, 1598-1825; poor law papers, 1610-1842; charity accounts, 1770-1841; tithe map and apportionment, 1843.

SCHOOL RECORDS

Log books of Adisham National School, 1865-1910 [Cat. Mk. C/ES3].

Managers' minutes of Sheerness and Minster School Board, 1902-7 [Cat. Mk. C/EB28].

GUARDIANS RECORDS

Eastry Union [Cat. Mk. G/Ea]. Minutes and ledgers of Rural Sanitary Authority, 1873-1894.

HIGHWAY BOARD

Wingham Highway Board [Cat. Mk. HB/W]. Minutes, 1863-1880.

ESTATE AND FAMILY RECORDS

Harris MSS. [Cat. Mk. U624] deposited by the Rt. Hon. Lord Harris.

Private and official papers of the 1st Baron Harris, 1774-1829, including many relating to events in the Madras Presidency, 1797-1800, and to the subsequent litigation about the Seringapatam prize money. Papers relating to the 2nd East Kent (Scray) Local Militia, 1809-16.

Chilston MSS. [Cat. Mk. U673] deposited by the Rt. Hon. the Viscount Chilston.

Estate papers: rentals of the manor of Lenham, 1757-78.

Charity: Honywood Almshouses: deeds 1622-1806.

Somerhill MSS. [Cat. Mk. U624] presented by Messrs. Waterhouse & Co.

Title deeds: about 200 for Tonbridge and for Pembury, Tudeley, Penshurst, Chiddingstone, Hadlow, etc., 1695-1850.

Courage & Barclay MSS. [Cat. Mk. U612] deposited by Messrs. Courage and Barclay.

Title deeds: about 960 for Ashford, Aylesford, Brenchley, Brenzett, Chatham Cranbrook, Eltham, Gillingham, Milton-next-Sittingbourne,

Rochester, Seal, Smarden, Sutton Valence, Tonbridge, Tudeley, etc.

Burrows MSS. [Cat. Mk. U614] presented by Miss L. Burrows.

Title deeds: Romney Marsh, Elmsted, Wye, etc., 1865-95.

Miscellaneous: file of newspapers, 1793-1865.

Maps: Boughton Aluph, Godmersham and Wye, 1720; Bethersden, 1787; Ivychurch and Snave, 1819.

Day MSS. [Cat. Mk. U659] presented by W. Day, Esq. Title deeds: 36 for Marden and Staplehurst, 1765-1907.

The original manuscript of William Lambarde's *Perambulation of Kent*, 1570 [Cat. Mk. U47/48], belonging to the Archæological Society, has been transferred from Maidstone Museum.

In Archeologia Cantiana, vol. LXXI (1957), p. 219, under the heading PAROCHIAL RECORDS the details given for the parishes of Frinsted and Wormshill, except the catalogue marks, should be transposed.