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ACCESSIONS, 1964-65

THE following list comprises the principal accessions, July, 1964-July, 1965.

BOROUGH RECORDS

Borough of New Romney [Cat. Mk. NR/]. Common assembly minutes, 1570-1835. Parliamentary election papers and correspondence, 1584-1774. Cinque Ports records, including Brotherhood papers and orders from the Lord Warden, c. 1300, 1463-1904. Muster rolls, militia papers, 1557-1811. Chamberlains accounts, assessments, 1379-1889. Town rentals, 1560-1874. Borough court of record; books, files, papers, 1429-1793; feet of fines and enrolled fines, 1380-1780. Hundred court and quarter sessions; books, files, papers, 1429-1870. Letters of process of withernam, 1460-1687. Custumal, 1497. Freemen's certificates, 1701-1888. Taxes; royal aid, 1610; assessed taxes, 1662-1703; tax on marriages, births, etc., 1695-1706; hearth tax, 1662-1667; land tax, 1723-1804; poll tax, 1666-1698; ship money, 1595-1639; 'billets' of exemption from lay subsidies, 1489-1610; window tax, 1717-1755. Title deeds from 1556. Old Romney court of record and hundred court books, 1516-1589. Parish records; churchwardens and overseers accounts, settlement, apprenticeship, 1591-1779. Printed royal proclamations, 1526-1760.

PAROCHIAL RECORDS

(a) *Diocese of Canterbury*

Bobbing [Cat. Mk. P33]. Registers, 1738-1894; churchwardens, 1703-1937; overseers, 1796-1802 and settlement papers; altered tithe apportionment, 1911; deed of house and land, 1656.

Borden [Cat. Mk. P35]. Registers, 1555-1924; churchwardens, 1694-1923; vestry, 1713-1861; overseers, 1708-1857; surveyors, 1786-1840; charity, 1701-1841.

Frinstead [Cat. Mk. P151]. Register, 1561-1714.

Iwade [Cat. Mk. P204]. Registers, 1560-1952; churchwardens, 1804-1912; vestry, 1856-1910.

Sissinghurst [Cat. Mk. P100B]. Church accounts, etc., 1840-1923; parochial church council, 1911-30; school, 1863-94.

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Willesborough [Cat. Mk. P396]. Registers, 1538-1838; churchwardens, 1752-1827; overseers, 1752-1836; surveyors, 1819-36; tithe award, 1840.

(b) *Diocese of Rochester*

Birling [Cat. Mk. P29 addnl.]. Registers, 1813-1950; churchwardens, 1730-34; overseers, 1819-36; settlement papers, etc., 1672-1860; school, c. 1860-1929.

Bromley, St. John [Cat. Mk. P47B]. Vestry and parochial church council, 1881-1931; papers relating to establishment of separate parish, 1878-90; church and parish hall building committee and restoration papers, 1876-1956; burial board, 1884-92.

Hunton [Cat. Mk. P197]. Registers, 1585-1812; school records, 1838-1938; reference to parish survey, 1838.

Lullingstone [Cat. Mk. P236]. Registers, 1578-1812.

Ryarsh [Cat. Mk. P312]. Registers, 1559-1960; churchwardens, 1794-1927; overseers, 1690-1788; surveyors, 1831-46; parochial church council, 1920-49; school, 1867-1942; tithe award and altered apportionments, 1843-1952.

EDUCATION RECORDS

Bexley, St. Mary's and Bridgen C.E. Schools [Cat. Mk. C/ES 23 addnl.]. Managers' minutes, 1903-45.

Bexleyheath and Welling Schools [Cat. Mk. C/ES 23 addnl.]. Managers' minutes, 1933-44.

Charing Primary School [Cat. Mk. C/ES 78 addnl.]. Accounts, 1842-72; admission registers, 1874-1930; correspondence, 1887-1939; punishment book, 1910-29.

Faversham, Ethelbert St., Girls' School [Cat. Mk. C/ES 146 addnl.]. Log book, 1934-48.

Kemsley Village School [Cat. Mk. C/ES 253]. Log book, 1928-57.

Lynsted Council School [Cat. Mk. C/ES 228]. Managers' minutes, 1903-46.

Sittingbourne, St. Michael's Schools [Cat. Mk. C/ES 338]. Log books and admission registers, 1863-1959.

Tunbridge Wells, St. Peters Primary School (Cat. Mk. C/ES 371F). Log books and admission registers, 1878-1944.

Upchurch C.E. Infants' School [Cat. Mk. C/ES 377]. Managers' minutes, 1933-55.

Welling, Foster's Endowed School [Cat. Mk. C/ES 290C]. Managers' minutes, 1903-1949.

ESTATE AND FAMILY RECORDS

Benians Collection [Cat. Mk. U1094]. Deposited by the exors. of H. J. Benians, decd., architect of Brandfold, Goudhurst. Deeds, about

600 mainly for Goudhurst and Brenchley, 1578-1898; architect's plans and other papers mainly relating to buildings in the Weald and including many inns and churches, twentieth century.

Dering MSS. [Cat. Mk. U1007]. Purchased from Sqd. Ldr. C. D. Stephenson of London. Manorial records of Eastbridge, 1651-4, Orlestone, 1617, Pluckley, 1364-98 and Sherland in Pluckley, 1684-90; 163 deeds mainly for Pluckley, Little Chart and Bethersden, 1375-1681, Ruckinge, 1466-1610, Willesborough and Hinxhill, 1454-1627; correspondence, 1602-1743; estate papers regarding the Brent family of Willesborough, 1495-1612, rentals, bonds, drafts, etc., including estates in Cornwall, c. 1575-1750; accounts, bills and vouchers, 1548-1733; legal papers mainly concerned with the Bettenham family of Pluckley, c. 1550-1771; official papers, 1535-1681, including original returns for the 1662 Hearth Tax from 17 hundreds. [Cat. Mk. U1129]. Purchased; formerly Phillipps MSS. Manorial records of Thurnham, 1544-1602, 1659-89; volume regarding construction of Ramsgate Harbour, 1760-63.

Marsham MSS. [Cat. Mk. U1121]. Deposited by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Romney. Manorial records of Cuxton, 1563-1729; accounts for Mote Park, 1728-40; volume regarding the Treaty of Utrecht and the government of Minorca, eighteenth century, analysis of British fleet, 1746. Notes, drafts and proofs of 'Chronicus Canon Aegyptiacus . . .', published by Sir John Marsham in 1672; various treatises and transcripts relating to ancient and medieval history, MS. poetry and a treatise on calendars and eclipses, c. 1530.

Osborne MSS. [U771 (addnl.)]. Deposited by Brig. O. J. R. Orr, Queendown Warren, Hartlip. Manorial records, rent roll for Kingsborough in Eastchurch for the upkeep of King's Ferry, 1598; family papers, diaries and accounts mainly concerning farming matters, 1690-1835; bills for rebuilding Hartlip Place, 1813-18; Sittingbourne Land Tax, 1796; printed rules for Kent Society for encouragement of Agriculture and Industry, 1793 and for the Kent Club, 1797.

Scott of Scotts Hall MSS. [Cat. Mk. U1115]. Deposited by Major Douglas Scott of Dorking, Surrey. About 300 title deeds for Brabourne, Smeeth, Aldington, Bircholt, Orlestone, Warehorne, Lypne, Newington next Hythe, Lydd, Burmarsh, Brookland, Kenardington, Godmersham, Nettlestead, East Peckham, Chatham [Best estate], Chiddingstone and other parishes and for property in Essex and other counties, thirteenth-eighteenth century; miscellaneous estate papers, 1491-eighteenth century; correspondence, c. 1490, 1572-1785; official papers including two sign manual warrants directed to Sir William Scott (1459-1524) as Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, lieutenantcy correspondence of Sir Thomas Scott (1535-1594) and of his sons, Sir John Scott of Nettlestead and Sir Edward Scott, 1585-1628; papers relating to purveyance, 1608-1628; correspondence, etc., concerning projects

for making the river Medway navigable from Maidstone to Tonbridge, 1600, 1624-1629; papers relating to a disputed election of knights of the shire for Kent, 1625; genealogical notes and pedigrees, including letter from Edward Hasted seeking information for his History, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. [Note. Extensive extracts from the deeds and correspondence are printed in *Memorials of the Family of Scott of Scotts Hall* by James Renat Scott, 1876.]

Dr. Gordon Ward Collection (addnl.) [Cat. Mk. U442]. Deposited by the exors. of Dr. Gordon Ward, decd. Manorial records, Burham, 1530, 1636-53, Deal Prebend, 1706, Wesperhawke in Headcorn, 1672; deeds, enrolment of deeds of de Pekham estates in Kemsing, Seal, Wrotham, Leigh and Sevenoaks, c. 1275, Chelsfield, Sevenoaks, Tudeley and Wrotham, 1272-1665; valuation of Austen estates in Beckenham, Lewisham and Thanet, 1816-28; taxation papers, Sevenoaks area, 1826-46; scrap book for Otford, twentieth century; map, Sevenoaks, 1630.

Somerhill MSS. [Cat. Mk. U642 addnl.]. Deposited by Messrs. Waterhouse and Co. per B.R.A. Manorial records of South Frith, 1598-1720; deeds of Tonbridge, Capel, Leigh, Sevenoaks and Tudeley, 1570-1919; maps of Tonbridge, 1712-1820. [Cat. Mk. U1134]. Deposited by Mrs. M. Fountaine of Alderton, Northants. Volume of copy letters of R. Alexander of Somerhill, 1828-1870.

Southborough Manorial Records, etc. [Cat. Mk. U1110]. Deposited by Messrs. Walker, Templer and Thompson of Tonbridge. Manorial records of Southborough, 1745-1925; 54 deeds of Hadlow Parsonage, 1610-1862.

Deeds of Boxley and Strood [Cat. Mk. U1087]. Deposited by W. Fowle of Billingshurst, Sussex. About 100, 1673-1922.

Deeds of Maidstone [Cat. Mk. U1090]. Deposited by Messrs. Day, Rooke and Bradfield. 40 deeds of 21 Gabriels Hill, 1744-1903.

Deeds of Southborough [Cat. Mk. U1097]. Deposited by P. G. Davies of Southborough, 27, 1737-1908.

Deeds of Godmersham and Harrietsham [Cat. Mk. U1118]. Deposited by the Exors. of Capt. E. G. S. Churchill, decd. About 50, 1465-1829.

Deeds of Tenterden [Cat. Mk. U1122]. Deposited by Messrs. Raper and Fovargue, Battle. c. 1550-1600.

Maps of Earl of Thanet's estates. [Cat. Mk. U1095]. Purchased from Messrs. Burrows of Ashford per Mr. L. E. Guntrip and presented by Miss J. Rathbone of Smarden. 14 maps of Ashford, Bethersden, Hothfield and Westwell, c. 1630-1888, Rainham and district, 1817.