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This volume is dedicated to the memory of
SIR GURNEY BENHAM, F.S.A., as a slight recognition of the valuable services he rendered for many years to the Essex Archæological Society.

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INTRODUCTION.

THE Chronicles of Abingdon Abbey narrate how Geoffrey, son of Aubrey de Vere, was treated for a serious illness by Faritius, abbot of Abingdon. At first he seemed to recover, but a little while later he died and was buried in the abbey. On his death-bed he granted to the monks of Abingdon the church of Kensington. This gift his father Aubrey confirmed, and at the same time made a series of additional grants including his church at Colne. In return Faritius ordained that two monks should celebrate daily for the souls of the de Veres in the church of St. Andrew of Colne (now Earls Colne). This was the origin of Colne Priory. The number of monks serving the chantry was increased. Permanent buildings were erected for them to the East of the church and the hall; and it was not long before they began to build their own church. The ordination of the chantry took place when Faritius was abbot of Abingdon and Maurice bishop of London, which fixes the date between 1101 and 1107. Henry I's confirmation charter of the year 1111 mentions the monks of Abingdon in the church of St. Andrew of Colne. Archbishop Ralph, c. 1120, gives his benediction to anyone assisting the monks to build a habitation at Colne. His successor, William de Corbeil, some ten years later still speaks of the settlement at Colne as a chantry. It is not till the priory-church was dedicated in 1148 that grants are made to the church of St. Mary at Colne. A charter of Earl Aubrey (Colne Chartulary no. 49) states that his grandfather and father were both buried in the church of the priory, which his grandfather founded. Aubrey de Vere I, grandfather of the first earl, appears to have died c. 1130, by which time the building of the priory-church may have begun, but it is quite possible that his body was first buried in the parish church and later interred in the priory.

Hubert de Montchesney, in return for gifts made to Abingdon Abbey, was granted by Abbot Faritius a similar privilege; two monks were ordained to serve in the church on his manor of Edwardstone. The gifts he made to Abingdon were later transferred to Colne Priory together with the service of the two monks. The priory's endowments were practically all derived from the family of de Vere and the satellite families of Beauchamp, Montchesney, and Fitz-Ralph. The de Veres were patrons of the priory throughout the four centuries of its existence, and the priory-church was their principal burying-place.

Almost every trace of the priory has been swept away, and it is only very recently that, through the careful excavation undertaken by Dr. Fairweather, the lay-out of the church and conventual buildings has been discovered. For the history of this monastery there is little documentary evidence; even the list of priors is far from complete. Such muniments of Colne Priory as still survive are preserved among the Probert MSS. now deposited at Chelmsford. These comprise the chartulary, here transcribed, two of the original charters it contains, a confirmation-charter of Edward II by which Abingdon Abbey recovered the church of Kensington and Colne Priory gained a considerable measure of independence, and some manorial documents, mostly of fifteenth-century date. Among these latter are some compotus-rolls which contain interesting details about the buildings and economy of the convent; on the dorse of a rental some thirteenth-century charters have been enrolled. Extracts made by Glover from a later chartulary are printed in *Monasticon*; this volume was in existence in the seventeenth century, but cannot at present be located.

For the early history of the priory and its endowments, the Colne Chartulary is the principal source of information. This has long been available to students in Cole's transcript (B.M. Add. MS. 5860), made in 1781, but except for a few items in *Monasticon* and in Morant's *History of Essex*, it has never been printed. Documentary evidence for the twelfth century is sparse, so that this manuscript is specially valuable, all the charters contained in it being prior to 1200.

Four priors of Colne are mentioned in this chartulary—Mainard, Hugh, Osbert, and Reginald. As will be seen in the note to no. 57, Hugh was prior at the time of the dedication in 1148. Mainard was prior c. 1150 (no. 58). A second Hugh appears in nos. 17 and 46, c. 1180, and Osbert in no. 37, probably a few years later. Reginald, mentioned in nos. 73 and 103, seems to have been prior at the close of the century. In the article on Colne Priory in the *Victoria County History* (Vol. II., p. 104) these priors are listed in a different order, while Anchetil, a prior not mentioned in the chartulary, is inserted c. 1185. Thus there were at least four priors of Colne during the last twenty years of the twelfth century, and there is insufficient evidence to establish their exact order; but Osbert, who is only known from no. 37, was certainly prior in the time of the first Earl Aubrey, and not, as stated in the *Victoria County History*, in the time of his successor.

The de Veres naturally figure conspicuously in the chartulary, and the family-tree appended to this volume is largely derived from the evidence of these charters. There is here no actual foundation-charter,

but the chartulary opens with two versions of Henry I's confirmation of the gifts of Aubrey de Vere I and his wife Beatrice to Abingdon Abbey, which resulted in the establishment of a chantry at Colne, from which the priory originated.

Three charters of Aubrey de Vere II, the king's chamberlain, are included, and one from Alice his wife. Roger de Vere, brother of the chamberlain, also appears as a benefactor.

Aubrey de Vere III, the first earl of Oxford, appears in a number of charters, from which emerge some details of his family not generally recognised. He seems to have been married four times. His first wife, Beatrice, through whom he acquired his title of earl of Guisnes, was divorced a few years after her marriage. Aubrey then married Euphemia de Cantelupe, who died c. 1150. His third wife, Agnes, appears in three charters, nos. 33, 46, and 47. In nos. 33 and 46, Aubrey, the earl's son, is mentioned, and in no. 47 his second son, Robert, is also included. Towards the end of his life Earl Aubrey, with his wife Lucia, founded the priory of Castle Hedingham, and Aubrey, his son and heir, confirming the grant, describes Lucia as his mother. Either she was his stepmother or else she must be identified with Agnes, who possibly changed her name to Lucia on taking the veil. It seems more probable that Agnes, wife of the earl c. 1160-1180, was the mother of his children, and that Lucia was the wife of his old age, outliving her husband by many years and becoming the first prioress of the priory which she had helped to found. Three sisters of the first Earl Aubrey figure in this chartulary, Rohese, wife of Geoffrey de Mandeville, and Juliana, wife of Hugh Bigod, who both appear as benefactors, and Alice, wife of Robert de Essex, who witnesses a charter. Altogether at least fifteen members of the de Vere family are included in the chartulary.

The de Vere charters are followed by a series of grants from three leading families on the borders of Essex and Suffolk—the families of Beauchamp, Montchesney, and Fitz-Ralph. From the Beauchamps Colne Priory received the Soke of Clare in Bures and the church of Hedingham. The Montchesneys granted land at Halstead and also the church of Edwardstone, where the monks of Abingdon had been maintaining a chantry similar to that at Colne; this chantry was now transferred to Colne Priory. The Fitz-Ralphs' principal gift to the priory was the church of Little Waldingfield.

There follows a number of lesser grants from various benefactors, including William de Chesney, sheriff of Norfolk, William Fitz-Otto, the goldsmith, Robert Fitz-Humphrey and Robert Fitz-Walter. Other benefactors are merely known from entries on the Pipe roll or from

other charters. Ernold Anglicus is probably grandfather of the Arnulph Anglicus who held in Tey c. 1220 (*Testa de Nevill*, p. 274). The name of Aitrop, son of Hugh Fitz-Geoffrey, is preserved in Aythorpe Roding; Henry, son of Reginald, and Roger, son of Gunter, have not as yet been identified.

The chartulary was undertaken about the end of the twelfth century and originally consisted of four quires each containing four membranes doubled so as to make eight folios. These thirty-two folios are written throughout by one scribe till near the end when his task has been completed by one or more continuators. About the middle of the thirteenth century an additional folio was inserted near the end of the first quire. A second version of the opening charter, the royal confirmation of the foundation, was transcribed c. 1400, and stitched on to the front of the first quire. It occupies two folios of slightly less size than the original ones. At the same time the chartulary was paged, and a few marginal notes inserted. On the folios transcribed by the original scribe space was left for headings to the several items; these have been filled in, not very intelligently, by a rubricator, who has also supplied several illuminated initials. Later marginal notes have been added in the eighteenth century, possibly by Cole. The writing of the original scribe is clear and easily decipherable, except on a few folios where the lower portion is worn and smeared. There is an occasional deletion by dots below the unwanted letters, and a few corrections by letters superimposed. There are very many contractions, indeed almost every other word is contracted, the symbol usually employed being $\sim$. Some of the contractions are difficult to resolve with certainty; in a few cases, such as l for *vel* and $\frac{a}{g}$ for *erga*, only the final letters are shewn. Typical twelfth-century characters in this chartulary are the tall C and E with medial loops. *And* is represented by both the ampersand and the plus sign; as their use is not altogether arbitrary they have been distinguished in this transcript by retaining a symbol for the plus sign and extending the ampersand to *et*. A peculiarity of the scribe is the insertion of a capital in the middle or at the end of a word, e.g. BoSeville, VeR, TresGoz, BaaRd, CoKefeld, and CleRICO; uu is sometimes substituted for w, and on one occasion Uu for W. Neither the punctuation nor the use of capitals, as they appear in the original, have been adhered to in this transcript.

A feature of this chartulary, which will be highly appreciated by students is that the lists of witnesses appended to each charter are inserted in full. This has materially assisted in dating the several items.

Only two of the original charters have survived, but these have been so faithfully transcribed in the chartulary that it may be presumed the other items have been copied with equal accuracy. Interpolations have been made in some cases, e.g. in no. 31.

The chartulary in its present state comprises 36 folios, measuring 7-5/16ins. x 5¼ins.

Folios 1 and 2 are slightly smaller and were written c. 1400.

Folios 3-9, 11-32, and the first eleven lines of folio 33 comprise the original chartulary, all in the same late twelfth-century hand, with rubricated headings and illuminated initials.

Folio 10 is a mid-thirteenth-century addition; the stub appearing between folios 3 and 4.

At line 9 on folio 33 the ink changes. The handwriting is similar but not quite identical to that of the original document. There is no rubrication; a space has been left for an ornate initial but this has never been supplied.

Folio 34 is in a very different hand and in blacker ink; it was probably added in the reign of King John. At line 20 the writing is in a smaller but similar hand.

Folios 34v and 35 are in another early thirteenth-century hand. The lower half of folio 35 has been cut away.

Folio 36 is a blank inner wrapper of rough parchment.

A small portion of the end cover remains, fortified with leathern studs to hold the stitching.

In this transcript for convenience of reference the various items have been numbered; needless to say no such figures appear in the original. To very few of the charters can an exact date be assigned; for the others approximate dates have been suggested.

Students will note a number of apparent errors in the text, e.g., *Jordane* for *Jordano*, and *Gaufridus* for *Gaufrido* on p. 29, and *patrentum* for *parentum* on p. 40. One cannot be certain whether these appeared in the original charters or are due to the carelessness of the scribe.

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1. *Prima fundacio ecclesie de Colne.*

f. 1.

Omnibus ecclesie dei fidelibus sub regimine meo notum fieri volo quod ego Henricus dei gratia Anglorum rex pro peccatorum meorum remissione & anime mee salute deo & beate Marie in Abendonensi ecclesia & sancto Andree in Colensi ecclesia que ut filia matri et membrum capiti subiecta & coherens est ecclesie Abendonensi concedo & in eternum permanere auctorizo omnes illas donationes quas Albricus de Veer & uxor eius Beatrix & eorum filius Albericus cum fratribus suis eorumque homines iam fecerunt vel facturi sunt supradicte ecclesie tam in ecclesiis quam in terris, hominibus, & decimis, molendinis, silvis, & pratis, pascuis, & exitibus, quarum nomina rerum subnexa leguntur, scilicet in Cola ecclesiam sancti Andree cum terra Ranulphi presbiteri & cum omnibus ad ecclesiam pertinentibus et sexies viginti acras de dominio & viridarium quod est ultra aquam cum vivario et terram quam Serlo habuit sicut melius & largius unquam habuit ipse vel aliquis antecessorum illius in pascuis & silvis & campis, et duas silvas, scilicet Dodepollesho & Netherwode, & terram Goode x solidorum de gablo & terram Edwini v solidorum de gablo, & xx acras de dominio que cambite fuerunt pro terra Blakemanni & unum hominem & quinque acras terre, & terram Almari Longi & terram Wulfini forestarii, & molendinum & grangias, & ecclesiam de Dovercourt cum xxx acris terre & cum omnibus sibi pertinentibus, in maneriis, scilicet Hethyngham, Belcheam, Laureham, Aldeham, Dovercourt, Benetley, Rodyngas, duas partes decime de omnibus rebus & unum hominem cum quinque acris, in Walda & Wadana medietatem decime et unum hominem cum quinque acris, in Hethyngham duo molendina que Aldewynus tenebat, de terra Adelelmi de Burgate decem solidos, dimidiam decimam de Myblank de Cola & tertiam partem decime Ranulphi Magni, et ecclesiam de Campys, et ecclesiam de Benetleia, et ecclesiam de Bello campo et cum omnibus eis pertinentibus, et silvam de Lytylheyra cum xx acris terre, apud Scaldewellam quadraginta

f. 1v.

solidos terre. Omnes vero has donaciones volo & firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi cum omnibus que iuste & legaliter adquisierint perpetualiter habeant & possideant libere & quiete in bosco, & in plano, in pratis, & in pascuis, in aquis, & molendinis, et exclusis, et piscariis, in viis, & in semitibus, in civitate, & extra, & in omnibus rebus aliis & locis, cum soca & saca & tol & theam & infanganetheof & cum omnibus libertatibus & liberis consuetudinibus cum quibus prenomminatus Albricus de Veer melius & liberius tenuit vel aliquis antecessorum suorum. Preterea concedo & precipio quod omnes res predictorum monachorum & homines sui proprii de domo sua sint quieti ab omni theloneo, consuetudine, & passuagio per totam Angliam, f. 2. & prohibeo ne aliquis eos disturbet super decem libras forisfacture. Hiis testibus. Roberto Lyncolne episcopo. & Johanne de Baiocis. Ranulpho cancellario. Ebrardo archidiacono. & Waltero archidiacono. Willelmo Pevrello de Nothyngam. Hugone de Boteler. apud Radyngas.

f. 3. 2. *Confirmatio Henrici Regis Anglie de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Omnibus ecclesie dei fidelibus sub regimine meo notum fieri volo quod ego Henricus dei gratia Anglorum rex pro peccatorum meorum remissione & pro mea omniumque predecessorum & successorum meorum salute concedo & regia potestate confirmo & in eternum permanere auctorizo omnes donaciones terrarum ecclesiarum decimarum reddituum libertatum vel aliarum rerum quas Albericus de Ver & uxor eius Beatrix eorumque heredes & homines cum posteritate sua * & alii fideles iam fecerunt & facturi sunt deo & eius gloriose genetrici virgini Marie & monachis de Abendoniam apud Colun in Essexia deo famulantibus. Scilicet, in Colun ecclesiam sancti Andree cum terra Rannulfi presbiteri & cum omnibus ad ecclesiam pertinentibus & sexies xx acras de dominio & viridarium quod est ultra aquam cum vivario & terram quam Serlo habuit sicut melius & largius unquam habuit, in campis & silvis & pascuis, & duas silvas scilicet Dodepolesho & Norwude & silvam de Litleheia cum xx acris terre & terram Gode decem solidorum de gablo & terram Eadwini v solidorum de gablo & xx acras de dominio que cambite fuerunt pro terra Blachemanni & unum hominem cum quinque acris et terram Elmari Longi & terram Wulfwini forestarii & molendinum & grangias. Et ecclesiam de Duvrecurt cum xxx acris terre & cum omnibus sibi pertinentibus. Et ecclesiam de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentibus, et ecclesiam de Campis cum omnibus pertinentibus. In maneriis, scilicet, Haingeham, Belcheham, Laureham, Aldeham, Duvrecurt, Bonetleia,

* margin. See f. 12, where is the charter of Alberic Vere.

Roinges, duas partes decime de dominio de omnibus rebus & unum hominem cum quinque acris. In Walda & Wadenho medietatem decime de dominio de omnibus rebus & unum hominem cum quinque acris. In Haingeham duo molendina que Aldewinus molendinarius tenebat. De terra Adelelmi de Burgate x solidatas. Apud Caldewellam xl solidatas terre, dimidiam decimam de dominio de Miblan de Colun, apud Bures totam decimam Ricardi filii Hadeline & Gileberti vicini sui excepta parte presbiteri, apud Canevellam tertiam partem decime Aluredi vicecomitis et duas partes decime Radulfi in eadem villa, apud Haingeham tertiam partem decime Rannulfi Mengui et tertiam partem decime Roberti Balci et de terra Guihumari et de terra Willelmi Grosvassal. Omnes vero has donationes volo & firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi cum omnibus que iuste et legaliter adquisierint perpetualiter habeant & possideant libere & quiete, in bosco & plano, in pratis & pascuis, in aquis & molendinis, & exclusis & piscariis, in viis & semitis, in civitate & extra, & in omnibus rebus aliis & locis, cum saca & soca & toll & theam & infanganetheof & cum omnibus aliis libertatibus & liberis consuetudinibus cum quibus prenominatus Albericus de Ver melius & liberius tenuit vel aliquis antecessorum suorum. Preterea concedo & precipio quod omnes res predictorum monachorum & homines sui proprii de domo sua sint quieti ab omni theloneo & consuetudine & passagio per totam Angliam & prohibeo ne aliquis eos disturbet super x libras forisfacture. Hiis testibus. Roberto Lincolne episcopo, & Johanne de Baiocis, & Gilleberto capellano, & Goisfredo de Diva, & Hamone dapifero, & Rannulfo Meschine, & Willelmo Pevrello de Notingham, & Hugone de Bochelanda, apud Radinges. f. 3v.

3. *Confirmatio Henrici regis de ecclesia de Kinsysetona & aliis possessionibus.*

H[enricus] Rex Anglie, M[auricio] Lundonensi episcopo & G[illeberto] abbati Westmonasterii & H[ugoni] de Bochelanda & omnibus baronibus suis et ministris Francis & Anglis de Londonia et de Millensessa salutem. Sciatis me concessisse in tempore Faritii abbatis ecclesie sancte Marie in Abbendona ecclesiam de Chensue-thetona et quicquid ad eam pertinet et terram in ipsa villa inter ecclesiam et terram aliam duas hidas de xij. xx^{ti} acris, quam Albericus de Ver dedit predicte ecclesie pro anima Gosfridi filii sui defuncti. Et eam ecclesiam cum terra predicta Abendonensis ecclesia in pace inperpetuum & quiete teneat. Testibus. Mathilde regina, & Eudone dapifero, & Willelmo Curci, & N[igello] de Oili, & Ur[sone] de Abetot, & Roberto Malet. Apud Corneberiam. f. 4.

4. *Confirmatio Stephani Regis Anglie de ecclesia de Kinsyntona & aliis rebus.*

S[tephanus], Rex Anglie, episcopo Londonensi & iusticiariis & vicecomitibus et baronibus et ministris & omnibus fidelibus suis Londonie & Midelsexe salutem. Precipio quod ecclesia sancte Marie de Abendona & monachi teneant ecclesiam suam de Chensindetona et terram suam ita bene & in pace & quiete & honorifice sicut Albericus de Ver eam illis dedit et sicut carta regis Henrici testatur quam inde habent nec super hoc ponantur inde in novam vel iniustam consuetudinem. Teste. Roberto de Ver. Apud Londoniam.

5. *Confirmatio Stephani Regis Anglie de possessionibus ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum.*

S[tephanus], Rex Anglie, comiti Willelmo filio suo, archiepiscopis, episcopis, abbatibus, iusticiariis, comitibus, vicecomitibus, baronibus, ministris et omnibus fidelibus suis Anglie salutem. Sciant me concessisse & confirmasse in perpetua elemosina divisionem illam & donationem quam fecit Eufemia comitissa moritura de suo libero maritaggio deo et ecclesie sancte Marie de Colun & monachis ibi deo servientibus, scilicet, centum solidatas terre in Clintune libere et quiete ab omni seculari servicio pro anima Matildis regine et comitis Eustachii filii mei et pro salute anime mee et omnium antecessorum meorum. Quare volo et firmiter precipio quod predicta ecclesia sancte Marie de Colun istas centum solidatas terre habeat & inperpetuum possideat libere et quiete in omnibus rebus. Testibus. Ricardo de Luci. Ricardo de Canville. Roberto Steff[ani]. Apud Wudestoc'.

6. *Confirmatio eiusdem de aliis possessionibus.*

S[tephanus], Rex Anglie, comiti Eustachio, filio suo, et iusticiariis, & vicecomitibus, et baronibus, et ministris, et omnibus fidelibus suis Francis et Anglis salutem. Sciatis quia concedo et confirmo inperpetuum deo et ecclesie beate Marie de Colun et monachis ibi deo servientibus donationem illam quam Adam filius Warini eis fecit de d[ominio su]o de Colun quod est iuxta aquam. Quare volo & precipio quod illud bene & in pace teneant sicut Adam illud dedit & concessit. Testibus. R[oberto] de Ver, et Ricardo de Canville. Apud Norwicum.

7. *Confirmatio Stephani Regis Anglie de omni theloneo & consuetudine & passagio.*

S[tephanus] Rex Anglie omnibus vicecomitibus et ministris totius Anglie salutem. Precipio quod omnes res abbatis et monachorum de

Abendona et homines sui proprii de domo sua sint quieti ab omni theloneo et consuetudine et passagio, unde homines sui affidare poterint quod sue sint. Et prohibeo ne aliquis eos disturbet super decem libras forisfacture. Teste. W[illelmo] Martel. Apud Colum.

8. *Confirmatio Henrici Regis Anglie de eodem.*

H[enricus] Rex Anglie et dux Normannie & Aquitanie et comes Andegavie omnibus vicecomitibus et ministris suis totius Anglie salutem. Precipio quod omnes res abbatis et monachorum de Abendona et monachorum de Colun et homines sui proprii de domo sua sint quieti ab omni theloneo et consuetudine et passagio, unde homines sui affidare poterint quod sue sint. Et prohibeo ne aliquis eos disturbet super decem libras forisfacture. Teste, Warino filio Geroldi, camerario. Apud Colecestram.

9. *Confirmatio Radulfi Cantuariensis archiepiscopi de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Omnibus Christiane religionis cultoribus frater Radulfus indingnus Cantuariensis ecclesie minister salutem et dei benedictionem. Hortantes oramus & orantes hortamur karissimam vestre fraternitatis dilectionem ut gratia dei cuius servi & nostri cuius confratres sunt fratribus istis de Abendonia consilium & auxilium amicabiliter prebeat, ortatu enim nostro et consilio deo auctore & Henrici Regis assensu et obedientia Abendonensis abbatis comitante volunt in quadam ecclesia in Essexia ab Alberico de Ver sibi in elemosina collocata deo servire & ibi domos & edificationes monachis habiles construere, ad quod quicumque deo inspirante eos adiuerint vel consilium et auxilium prebuerint prebeat illis deus partem in omnibus beneficiis et orationibus nostris & mereant eterne beatudinis remuneratione gloriari. Preterea auctoritate officii nostri inviolabiliter confirmamus, et in eternum permanere precipimus omnes donationes terrarum, ecclesiarum, decimarum, reddituum, libertatum, vel aliarum rerum, quas Albericus de Ver & uxor eius Beatrix eorumque heredes vel homines cum posteritate sua iam fecerunt vel facturi sunt deo et eius gloriose genetrici virgini Marie et predictis monachis Abendonie apud Colun in Essexia deo famulantibus, scilicet, in Colun ecclesiam sancti Andree & terram Rannulfi presbiteri et cum omnibus ad ecclesiam pertinentibus et sexies viginti acras de dominio et viridarium quod est ultra aquam cum vivario et terram quam Serlo habuit sicut melius & largius unquam habuit in pascuis & silvis & campis, et duas silvas, scilicet, Dodepolesho & Nordwude et silvam de Litleheia cum xx acris terre, et terram Gode x solidorum de gablo, & terram Eadwini v solidorum de gablo, et xx

f. 5.

acras de dominio que cambite fuerant pro terra Blachemanni & unum hominem cum v acris, et terram Elmari Longi & terram Wulwini forestarii et molendinum & grangias; et ecclesiam de Duvrecurt cum xxx acris terre & cum omnibus sibi pertinentibus, et ecclesiam de Bonetleia cum omnibus pertinentibus, et ecclesiam de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentibus, et ecclesiam de Campis cum omnibus pertinentibus, in maneriis, scilicet, Haingeham, Belcheham, Laureham, Aldeham, Duvrecurt, Bonetleia, Roinges, duas partes decime de dominio de omnibus rebus et unum hominem cum quinque acris; in Walde & Wadenho medietatem decime de dominio de omnibus rebus et unum hominem cum quinque acris; in Haingeham duo molendina que Aldwinus molendinarius tenebat; de terra Adelelmi de Burgate x solidatas; apud Scaldewellam xl solidatas terre; dimidiam decimam de dominio de Miblan de Colun; apud Buras totam decimam Ricardi filii Hadeline & Gileberti vicini sui excepta parte presbiteri; apud f. 5v. Canevellam tertiam partem decime Aluredi vicecomitis et duas partes decime Radulfi in eadem villa; apud Haingeham tertiam partem decime Rannulfi Mengui et tertiam partem decime Roberti Balci & de terra Guihumari et de terra Willelmi Grosvassal. Presenti etiam scripto communimus & corroboramus omnia quecunque aliorum fidelium donatione vel aliis piis modis predicti monachi possederunt vel possessuri sunt dei et domini pape et nostra auctoritate prohibentes ne quis contra hanc institutionem & Henrici regis confirmationem sicut eius carta testatur has donationes sive possessiones predictorum fratrum infirmare subtrahere aut exactionibus aut indebitis consuetudinibus onerare presumat, quod si quis presumpserit et huius decreti contradictor convulsor & temerator extiterit cum Iuda proditore eterno anathemati subiaceat nisi domino nostro Ihesu Christo et eius gloriose genetrici virgini Marie dingna penitentia satisfecerit. Pax dei et benedictio omnibus benefactoribus suis. Amen. Valet.

10. *Confirmatio T[heobaldi] Kantuariensis Archiepiscopi de ecclesia de Waldingefeld & aliis rebus.*

T[heobaldus] dei gratia Kantuariensis archiepiscopus totius Anglie primas et apostolice sedis legatus omnibus sancte matris ecclesie filiis salutem. Universati vestre notificamus quod nos auctoritate domini apostolici & nostra qui rem eius exequimur confirmamus & scripti nostri testimonio consolidamus monachis de Colun tertiam partem ecclesie de Waldingefeld cum xx acris terre et totam decimam de dominio Rogeri de Ver et de terra hominum suorum in eadem villa et ceteris omnibus beneficiis sicut eis predictus Rogerus de Ver in elemosinam perpetuam concessit et Everardus episcopus Norwicensis

confirmavit. Duas preterea partes decime de dominio Radulfi filii Ade in prenominata villa de Waldingefeld munimine perpetuo confirmamus sicut ipsius Radulfi donationis carta testatur. Sed et cetera omnia beneficia quecunque in ecclesiis, in terris, in decimis, in redditibus, sive in quibuslibet bonis iuste possident vel possessuri sunt perpetuo rata esse precipimus. Et ne quis in ius eorum aliquam violentiam extendere presumat vel bona eorum diminuendo invadat sub anathematis vinculo interdicimus. His testibus. Thoma Londonie, capellano nostro. W[illelmo] de Norehale. Magistro W[illelmo] medico. W[illelmo] & Ricardo de Clara, monachis. & Petro, clerico nostro.

11. *Confirmatio T[heobaldi] Cantuariensis archiepiscopi de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

T[heobaldus] dei gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus Anglorum f. 6. primas et apostolice sedis legatus sancte matris ecclesie filiis & fidelibus salutem. Que ad honorem & utilitatem ecclesie dei statuta rationabiliter esse noscuntur in sua stabilitate conservare debemus. Inde est quod terram illam quam Albericus de Ver assensu regis Henrici in presentia Mauritiū bone memorie Londonensis episcopi pro redemptione anime sue cum ecclesia de Kinsuetona ecclesie sancte Marie de Abendona dedit pro duabus hidis defendendam pro omni servitio eidem ecclesie confirmamus et presentis scripti pagina communimus dei et domini pape cuius vice fungimur & nostra auctoritate prohibentes ne quis omnino contra predecessorum nostrorum et nostram institutionem & regum Henrici & Steffani sicut eorum carte testantur confirmationem donationem istam infirmare aut exactionibus aut indebitis consuetudinibus contra predictorum regum statuta honorare presumat. Valete.

12. *Confirmatio eiusdem de condonatione peccatorum omnium venientium hominum ad dedicationem ecclesie de Colum.*

T[heobaldus] dei gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus omnibus sancte ecclesie fidelibus salutem. Notum sit devotioni omnium fidelium me condonasse omnibus ad dedicationem sancte Marie de Colum uno quoque anno venientibus xx dies de penitentia peccatorum suorum unde confessi sunt.

13. *Confirmatio Willelmi Cantuariensis archiepiscopi de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Willelmus dei gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus et sancte Romane ecclesie legatus omnibus sancte ecclesie fidelibus atque filiis per Angliam

constitutis salutem & benedictionem dei & suam. Universati vestre notum fieri volumus nos confirmasse & munimento presenti roborasse omnia bona & possessiones & elemosinas in terris & ecclesiis decimis libertatibus aliisque rebus quecunque donatione Alberici de Ver vel uxoris eius Beatricis eorumque posteritatis vel aliorum fidelium seu aliis piis modis monachi de Abendoniam apud Colun in Essexia deo famulantes possederunt vel possessuri sunt. Deinde sententiam quam antecessor noster dominus Radulfus archiepiscopus malefactoribus eorum imposuit dei & domini pape & nostra auctoritate corroboramus eorum vero benefactoribus fraternitatis tam cantuarie quam Abendonie participium concedimus atque donamus. Valete.

f. 6v. 14.

Omnibus Christiane religionis cultoribus Herbertus dei gratia Norewicensis episcopus salutem et dei benedictionem. Notum sit vobis nos confirmasse omnes donationes illas quas Hubertus de Muntkanes fecit deo & ecclesie beate Marie de Abendoniam, scilicet ecclesiam de Eadwardestuna cum omnibus pertinentiis et duas acras terre iuxta ecclesiam et duas partes decime omnium rerum de dominio de Stavertuna & de Stanesteda et duas partes decime de redditibus molendinorum suorum et de pasnagio nemorum suorum et de Stavertuna totam decimam turbarum & cetera omnia quecunque in terris, in decimis, in libertatibus dedit vel daturus est nostra auctoritate & sigilli nostri impressione confirmamus. Si quis vero ex successoribus suis has donationes datas vel dandas minuerit vel prevaricatus fuerit dei & beate matris & nostre maledictioni subiaceat nisi dingna penitentia deo & beate Marie satisfecerit.

15. *Confirmatio T[heobaldi] Cantuariensis archiepiscopi de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

T[heobaldus] dei gratia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus totius Anglie primas apostolice sedis legatus venerabili fratri et amico Willelmo eadem gratia Norewicensi episcopo & omnibus aliis sancte ecclesie fidelibus salutem. Super controversia que inter Radulfum filium Ade & Bernardum clericum de duabus partibus decimationis de Watlingefeld sub nostra presentia hoc modo sciatis esse transactum quod ipse Radulfus dat iam dicto Bernardo unam marcam argenti et ipse Bernardus illi Radulfo decimationem illam liberam & quietam ab omni reclamacione & querela de cetero in manu nostra refutavit & cartam quam inde habebat ei reddidit et fidem interposuit quod nullo modo contra hoc pactum venire presumeret. Istis testibus. Toma

Lundonie, capellano nostro. Willelmo de Norhala. Magistro Willelmo, medico. Rogero Spate¹. Willelmo, & Ricardo de Clara, monachis. Waltero, clerico de Mideltona. Valet.

16. *Confirmatio Eberardi Norewicensis episcopi de ecclesia de Waldingefeld & aliis rebus.*

Eberardus dei gratia Norwicensis episcopus sancte universalis ecclesie filiis salutem. Quoniam decrevit dei dispositio debere nos in ecclesia dei pastoris locum optinere per necessarium dirigendis sive proveendis eiusdem ecclesie negotiis studere, proinde universitati vestre notum fieri volumus nos confirmasse et presenti munimine corroborasse monachis de Colum tertiam partem ecclesie de Walingafeld cum pertinentiis suis, videlicet, xx acris et tota decima de dominio Rogeri de Ver tam sua quam hominum suorum & omnimodo beneficio quodcumque ex vivis sive defunctis evenierit, sicut Rogerus de Ver predictus licentia nostra & benedictione in perpetuam elemosinam deo & monachis prefatis concessit. Et huius namque ecclesie beneficio sacerdotem invenient qui in tertiam partem anni in prefata ecclesia ministret et consuetudinibus ecclesiasticis prout eadem tertia pars exigit respondeat. Auctoritate etiam nostra confirmamus predictis monachis de Colum duas partes decimarum omnium rerum que debent decimari de dominio de Laureham & de Aldeham & cetera beneficia que in episcopatu nostro iuste possident vel possessuri sunt. His testibus Willelmo archidiacono. Hugone decano, et Hugone sacerdote de Walingaford.

17. *Confirmatio Gilleberti episcopi de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.* f. 7.

Gillebertus dei gratia Lundeniensis episcopus omnibus sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos hee littere pervenerint salutem in domino. Ad omnium vestrum volumus devenire notitiam causam que vertebatur inter dilectum filium nostrum H[ugonem] priorem et monachos de Colun & A[lexandrum] personam ecclesie de Roinges super possessione quarundam decimarum & super violentia quadam priori & monachis ut dicebatur ab Alexandro illata hoc modo conquievisse. Memoratus A[lexander] in nostra & multorum prudentium & discretorum virorum presentia constitutus et a nobis diligenter requisitus utrum ecclesia de Colun predictas decimationes possederit coram nobis confessus est prescriptam ecclesiam de Colun dictas decimationes quibus se per Alexandrum spoliatus violenter fuisse monachi proposuerunt per

¹ Spe.

multos annos inconcusse possedisse et eas in pace tenuisse. Repromisit etiam dictus A[lexander] firmiter quod occasione possessionis quam ut dicebatur a monachis nactus est violenter nullam eis vel ecclesie sue in posterum controversiam movebit aut aliquas eis exinde lites suscitare studebit. Hec quidem gesta sunt ut utriusque ius ecclesie et de Colun et de Roinges conservetur illesum et nulla eis occasione predicta lesio generetur vel detrimentum. Nos itaque rebus sic coram nobis gestis sepedictis priori & monachis possessionem decimationum que causa litis extiterant episcopali auctoritate cum integritate restituimus & statu pristino in integrum reformato has utrique parti literas in testimonium indulsimus. Testibus. Gilleberto, archidiacono Middelsexie. Radulfo, archidiacono Colecestrie. Magistro Hugone a Lundonia. Magistro Ricardo a Storteforde. Ricardo de Saresbiri. Radulfo a Chilthona. Johanne Witeng, et multis aliis.

18. *Confirmatio Ricardi Londoniensis episcopi de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

f. 7v. Ricardus dei gratia Londoniensis episcopus omnibus sancte matris ecclesie filiis salutem. Universitati vestre notificamus nos auctoritate officii nostri confirmasse ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum omnia beneficia que a domino Roberto Londoniensi episcopo predecessore nostro in dedicatione eiusdem ecclesie de Colum confirmata sunt, scilicet medietatem ville de Colum Miblan in omnibus et dimidium molendinum et ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis, et ecclesiam sancti Andree de Colum Alberici cum omnibus pertinentiis et decimam de dominio & decimam pullorum de parco & molendinum et omnia que rex Henricus carta sua confirmavit, & ecclesiam de Duvrecut cum omnibus pertinentiis, & ecclesiam de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentiis, et ecclesiam de Chinswinetune cum omnibus pertinentiis, & duas partes ecclesie de Walingafelde cum omnibus pertinentiis ex donatione scilicet Radulfi filii Ade et Rogeri de Ver, & totam decimam de dominio Rogeri de Ver & Radulfi filii Ade, et duas partes decime de dominio de Haingeham & de vinea & de omnibus unde decima debet exire, & similiter de Aldeham & de Laureham et de Roinges, & de Roinges Grimbaldis totam decimam de dominio & ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis, et duas partes decime de duobus campis Huberti dispensatoris in Tagalea & de ceteris unde decima debet exire, et duas partes decime Willelmi de Bures, & duas partes decime de Havechesha' Willelmi filii Ricardi, & dimidiam decimam de dominio de Walde & de Wadenho, & dimidiam decimam Thielis militis de Aldeham, & tertiam partem decime Ernaldi de Topesfelde & Warini Grosvassal & Radulfi de Hosden, de molendinis vero de la forde xx.

solidos, de molendino de Aldeham x solidos, de molendino de Haingeham xx solidos, & de Steffano de Bello campo xx solidos, de Burgata xv solidos, de Rogero de Montecanesy xiiij solidos & iij denarios & duas acras & dimidiam prati, de Rogero filio Gunteri x solidos, de Ricardo filio Picardi iiij solidos, de Roberto filio Mauricii & de matre eius iiij solidos, de Liveva de la forde iij solidos, de Sutheria iiij solidos, apud Roinges xxxij denarios, apud Colecestrum xv denarios, de terra Algodii v solidos, de Ailward presbitero & de Atselmo xviiij denarios pro terra quam dedit Willelmus de Chennei, de Gaufrido de Ver xl solidos, de Rahesa comitissa xl solidos, de Ricardo de Sartis viij solidos et decimam de molendino de Polheia et iiij acras in Pubemers, de Willelmo filio Otonis xxxiiij denarios, & unam acram prati quam dedit Ernaldus Anglicus in Teie, de Herveo de Vals iij acras in Bello campo et unam acram de Petro de Haldestune. Hec vero et omnia quecunque monachi predictae ecclesie de Colum iuste & rationabiliter adquisierunt vel in futuro adquisituri sunt hac carta nostra confirmamus & ne quis eos de his inquietare vel perturbare presumat sub anathematis vinculo interdicimus. His testibus. Ailwardo archidiacono, & Magistro Hugone, et Luciano clerico. Rodberto decano, & Willelmo, presbitero de Colum de Miblan, et Helia, capellano de Colum. f. 8.

19. *Confirmatio Willelmi Norewicensis episcopi de ecclesia de Eadwardstune.*

Omnibus sancte matris ecclesie fidelibus Willelmus Norwicensis episcopus salutem. Universati vestre innotescat quod iuxta tenorem instrumenti Hugonis de Monte canesi, quo concessit & confirmavit ecclesiam de Edwardestun ecclesie beate Marie de Colum cum omnibus pertinentiis eius consentiente Walchelino abbate & conventu Abendonie, concessimus eidem ecclesie de Colum et monachis in ea deo ministrantibus eandem ecclesiam de Eadwardestun cum omnibus pertinentiis ipsius & cum omnibus que predictus Hugo in prememorato instrumento suo eidem ecclesie de Colum concessit & confirmavit. Ratam quoque habuimus conventionem eorum sicut in predicto Hugonis instrumento continetur expressa et eam huius nostre auctoritatis pagina & nostri sigilli impressione confirmavimus, salvo iure Norwici ecclesie & subiectione ac reverentia quam sepedicta ecclesia de Eadwardestun eidem Norwici ut matri debet ecclesie. Testibus. Johanne, Gilleberto, monachis. Rodberto. Radulfo capellano. Roberto Crasso.

20. *Karta ista scripta est in precedenti folio.*

G[illebertus] dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus omnibus sancte

matris ecclesie filiis ad quos hec littere pervenerint salutem in domino. Ad omnium vestrum volumus devenire notitiam causam que vertebatur inter dilectum filium nostrum H[ugonem] priorem & monachos de Colum et A[lexandrum] personam ecclesie de Roinges super possessione quarundam decimarum et super violentia quadam priori & monachis ut dicebatur ab Alexandro illata hoc modo conquivisse.

f. 8v. 21.

Venerabili patri Gilleberto Lundoniensi episcopo et omnibus hominibus suis & amicis presentibus & futuris Juliana comitissa salutem. Sciatis me concessisse & hac carta mea confirmasse deo et sancte Marie et monachis de Colum decimam de frugibus de toto marisco in Duvrecurt et de pastura in marisco, et pasturam centum ovium in eodem marisco ita quod sue sint proprie, et omnia que carta patris mei testatur. His testibus. Alberico comite, et Alberico filio eius. Michaele de Turneham. Henrico clerico. Willelmo, clerico comitis. Osberto de Colum. Roberto, et Nigello. Josia, & Enea. Petro filio Alani, et pluribus aliis.

22. *Confirmatio Willelmi Norewicensis episcopi de ecclesia de Waldingefelde.*

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis Willelmus dei gratia Norewicensis episcopus salutem. Ad universitatis vestre notitiam perveniat nos concessisse & presentis scripti testimonio confirmasse dilectis fratribus nostris monachis de Colum ecclesiam de Walngafelde cum omnibus pertinentiis sicut carte Rogeri de Ver et Radulfi filii Ade quas nos ipsi vidimus plenius & firmitus testantur. Suscepimus etiam presentatione persone, scilicet prioris de Colum, Magistrum Eadwardum in perpetuum vicarium qui loco prioris ecclesiam gaudeat et episcopalibus respondeat. Volumus itaque et episcopali auctoritate precipimus ut predicti fratres de Colum ecclesiam de Walingafeld & quicquid a prenominationis viris Rogero & Radulfo eis collatum est et ipsis cartis confirmatum libere & pacifice teneant et in perpetuum possideant, salva in omnibus ecclesie Norwici obedientia & debita reverentia. Testibus. Willelmo, & Rogero, archidiaconis Norwici. Ogero vicecomite. Huberto presbitero. Magistro Stangrim. Magistro Nicholao. Magistro Osberto. Magistro Eadwardo. Waltero de Mideltona. Bernardo capellano. Hugone filio Pagani. Willelmo, clerico de Colum.

23. *Confirmatio Roberti Lundoniensis episcopi de omnibus redditibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Robertus dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus omnibus fidelibus sancte ecclesie filiis salutem. Sciatis quod in die qua consecravi ecclesiam de Colum in honore & nomine dei et eius gloriose genetricis virginis Marie et beati Johannis apostolici & ewangeliste confirmavi et corroboravi ibidem in conspectu et audientia totius populi qui ad dedicationem convenerant redditus illius ecclesie a me dedicate & omnes possessiones quas in illa die possedit et liberas consuetudines quas habuit sine omni calumpnia cum satis alta & multototiens repetita voce si aliquis esset calumpniator illorum reddituum & ecclesie datorum. Quo audito et confirmato sub anathemate maledicendo conclusimus omnes ablatores & iniuriatores eiusdem ecclesie de his possessionibus tunc ibi presentatis et ceteris in futuro donandis quorum hec est subscripta annotatio. Medietatem ville de Colum Miblan in bosco & plano et in omnibus rebus & dimidium molendinum et totam ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis, & ecclesiam sancti Andree de Colum Alberici cum omnibus pertinentiis et decimam de dominio & decimam pullorum de parco & molendinum & omnia que rex Henricus carta sua confirmavit ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum, et ecclesiam de Duvrecurt cum omnibus pertinentiis et unum hominem cum v acris, et ecclesiam de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentiis, & ecclesiam de Kinswinetune cum pertinentibus quam Ingulfus abbas Abendonie in nostra presentia perpetualiter dedit et super altare posuit communi assensu omnium fratrum de Abendoniam qui asciverunt, & duas partes ecclesie de Walingafeld cum omnibus pertinentiis ex donatione scilicet Radulfi filii Ade & Rogeri de Ver et totam decimam de dominio eorum, & duas partes decime de dominio de Haingeham et de vinea et de omnibus unde decima debet exire, & similiter duas partes decime de dominio de Haldeham & de Laureham et de Roinges de omnibus unde decima exire debet, et de Roinges Grimbaldi totam decimam de dominio & ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis, et duas partes decime de duobus campis Huberti dispensatoris in Tagalea et de ceteris unde decima exire debet, et duas partes decime Willelmi filii Ricardi de Bures, et duas partes decime de Havechesha' Willelmi filii Ricardi, & dimidiam decimam de dominio de Walde et de Wadenho, & dimidiam decimam Thielis militis de Haldeham, et tertiam partem decime Ernaldi de Toppesfeld & Warini Grosvassal et Radulfi de Hosden de omnibus unde decima exire debet, de molendinis vero de la forde xx solidos, de molendino de Aldeham x solidos, de molendino de Haingeham xx solidos, et de Steffano de Bello campo xx solidos, de Burgate xv solidos, de Rogero de Monte-

f. 9.

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canesi xiiij solidos & iij denarios & duas acras & dimidiam prati, de Rogero filio Gunteri x solidos, de Ricardo filio Picardi iiij solidos, de Rodberto filio Mauriti & de matre eius iij solidos, de Liveva de la forde iij solidos, de Suthberia iiij solidos, apud Roinges xxxij denarios, apud Colecestriam xvj denarios, & terram Algodi que reddit v solidos, de Ailwardo presbitero & Atselmo xvij denarios pro terra quam dedit Willelmus de Kenney, Gaufrido de Ver quadraginta solidos, comitissa Rohesia xl solidos, de Ricardo de Sartis viij solidos & decimam de molendino de Polheia & iiij acras in Pubemers, de Willelmo filio Otonis xxxiiij denarios, & unam acram prati quam dedit Ernaldus Anglicus in Teia, & tres acras terre in Bello campo quas dedit Herveius de Vals, & unam acram in Bello campo quam dedit Petrus de Haldestune. His testibus. Comite Alberico. Hugone, abbate de Colecestria. Willelmo, abbate de Cogeshale. Hailwardo archidiacono. Fabiano sacerdote. Ailwardo, sacerdote de Colum. Willelmo, sacerdote de Colum Miblan. Teodbaldo, sacerdote de Feringes. Willelmo, sacerdote de Stistede. Roberto, capellano comitis Alberici. Fulcone dapifero, & Petro eius clerico. Magistro Samson, & Hamone, clerico de Stistede. Gaufrido de Ver. Gilleberto de Ver. Willelmo de Ver. Radulfo filio Ade. Adam filio Gunteri. Ernaldo de Topefelde. Pagano forestario.

24. *Confirmatio Ricardi Lundoniensis episcopi de essartis de Stanstede.*

Ricardus dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus Waltero decano et capitulo de Haingaham salutem. Mando et precipio quatinus ecclesia de Colum duas partes decime de essartiis de Stanstede habeat & bene & in pace possideat, et insuper precipio & defendo ne aliquis eos amodo inde inquietet vel iniuriam inferat vel contumeliam faciat.

25. *Confirmatio Roberti Lundoniensis episcopi de decima Thielis militis de dominio suo.*

- Robertus dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus universo clero & populo
f. 11. Essexie in domino salutem. Noverit* universitas vestra Thielem militem de Aldeham dedisse decimam de suo dominio ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum et monachis ibi deo servientibus, nos vero indignum ducentes supradictum militem ecclesiam suam de Aldeham expartem reliquisse deliberavimus et definivimus ipsam decimam uno quoque anno dimidiandam inter predictas ecclesias. Hec compositio diffinita est in presentia nostra ne in posterum aliqua dissensio inter predictas ecclesias oriatur. Valet.

* foot-note, *verte folium sequens.*

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f. 10.
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Anno millesimo centesimo quadagesimo octavo incarnationis domini nostri Jhesu Christi ego Robertus dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus consecravi & dedicavi ecclesiam apud Colum in honore beate virginis Marie genetricis dei omnipotentis & beati Johannis evangeliste, & in populo vocatione facta ut accederet si quis calumpniam adversus aliquam possessionem ecclesie haberet nullo calumpniante confirmavi & corroboravi omnes possessiones quas in illa die ecclesia inconcusse possedit in terris, in ecclesiis, in decimis, sive in aliis elemosinis, et ne in posterum aliquid possessionis ecclesie quis auferre vel calumpniare presumat ex autoritate dei patris omnipotentis & filii & spiritus sancti atque ex vice beati Petri apostoli excommunicamus & anatematizamus & maledicimus omnes quicunque istius ecclesie possessiones abstulerint vel diripuerint vel depopulati fuerint vel scienter iniuste calumpniaverint; maledicti sint a sancta dei genitrice Maria & a sancto Johanne evangelista & ab omnibus angelis & archangelis & patriarchis prophetis & apostolis dei, amen; maledicti sint ab omnibus martiribus, confessoribus, virginibus, viduis, & ab omnibus sanctis & electis dei, amen; sicut fluit cera a facie ignis sic pereant malefactores huius ecclesie a facie dei omnipotentis, amen; sit pars eorum cum Datan & Abiron quos terra vivos absorbit, & cum Iuda proditore qui dominum pretio vendidit, amen; et sicut dominus beato Petro apostolo eiusque successoribus cuius vicem tenemus quamvis indigni potestatem dedit ut quodcumque ligarent super terram ligatum esset & in celis & quodcumque solverent super terram solutum esset & in celis ita illis si emendare noluerint celum claudimus & terram ad sepeliendum negamus ut dimergantur in inferno inferiori sine fine, amen. Fiat!!!

27. *Confirmatio Gilleberti Lundoniensis episcopi de condonatione peccatorum.*

f. 11
(contd.)

Ego Gillebertus dei gratia Londonensis episcopus omnibus sancte fidelibus ecclesie salutem. Notum sit devotioni omnium fidelium me condonasse omnibus ad ecclesiam sancte Marie de Colum venientibus in die annunciationis eiusdem virginis uno quoque anno xx dies de penitentia peccatorum suorum de quibus confessi fuerint.

28. *Ista scripta est in sequente folio. Hec legatia.*

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis Willelmus dei gratia Norewicensis episcopus salutem. Ad universitatis vestre notitiam perveniat nos concessisse et presentis scripti testimonio confirmasse dilectis fratribus nostris monachis de Colum eam donationem quam Rogerus

de Ver et Radulfus filius Ade eisdem monachis in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam fecerunt de ecclesia de Waldingafeld & eius pertinentiis, sicut carte eorum quas nos ipsi.

29. *Confirmatio Ricardi Lundoniensis episcopi de relaxatione penitentiarum.*

Ricardus dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus universo clero et populo Essexie dilectis filiis suis in domino salutem. Noverit universitas vestra nos de misericordia dei confisos x dies relaxationis penitentiarum quos predecessor noster bone memorie episcopus Gillebertus omnibus beneficientibus ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in dedicatione cimiterii eiusdem ecclesie Idus Mai concessit, nos auctoritate officii nostri in septimanam Pentecostes transmutasse et inperpetuum confirmasse. Preterea innotescat vobis nos singulis annis vij dies penitentiarum relaxasse omnibus qui eidem ecclesie beneficium contulerint die commemorationis consecrati altaris quod nos in honore apostolorum Petri et Pauli et omnium apostolorum in die sancte Luce ewangeliste consecravimus & xl dies penitentiarum quos episcopus Robertus in dedicatione ecclesie indulisit concedimus et confirmamus.

f. 11v.

† 30. *Confirmatio Willelmi Norewicensis episcopi de donatione ecclesie de Waldingefeld.*

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis Willelmus dei gratia Norewicensis episcopus salutem. Ad universitatis vestre notitiam perveniat nos concessisse et presentis scripti testimonio confirmasse dilectis fratribus nostris monachis de Colum eam donationem quam Rogerus de Ver & Radulfus filius Ade eisdem monachis in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam fecerunt de ecclesia de Waldingefeld & eius pertinentiis sicut carte eorum quas nos ipsi vidimus plenius & firmiter testantur. Volumus itaque et episcopali auctoritate precipimus ut predicti fratres quicquid a prenominationis R[ogero] & R[adulfo] in prescripta ecclesia vel eius pertinentiis eis collatum est et ipsorum cartis confirmatum libere & pacifice & iuste teneant, salva in omnibus ecclesie Norwicensis obedientia et debita reverentia. Testibus. Willelmo, & Rogero, archidiaconis Norewici. Ogero vicecomite. Huberto presbitero. Magistro Stangrim. Magistro Nicholao. Magistro Ricardo de Draitone. Magistro Waltero. Magistro Osberto. Ricardo de Risinges. Rogero clerico. Magistro Eadwardo. Waltero de Mideltona. Hugone filio Pagani. Bernardo capellano. Willelmo, clerico de Colum, et aliis.

* margin, *dedicatio cemetarii.*

† margin, *vide antea, f. 8v.*

31. *Karta Alberici de Ver de donatione patris sui et matris sue & hominum suorum.*

Albericus de Ver, regis camerarius, omnibus hominibus suis et amicis Francis et Anglis presentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis universi me concessisse et hac carta mea confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam donationes patris mei et matris mee & hominum meorum quas fecerunt deo et beate Marie et monachis de Abendoniam apud Colum deo ministrantibus, scilicet, in meo Colum ecclesiam sancti Andree apostoli et totam terram Randulfi presbiteri in bosco & plano et prato et totam decimam de dominio et de villa et de parco de omnibus rebus que decimari debent et sexies xx acras de dominio et virgultum quod est ultra vivarium cum vivario et molendinum de Coleford cum omnibus pertinentiis et ultra pontem de Coleford pasturam quamdam que dicitur Mers et unam acram prati et unam rodam in Brademed et pratum suum quod habent in Kineburne & Litiland et superius ibi iuxta dimidiam acram prati et unam rodam, et duas silvas scilicet Dodepolesho et Litleheia cum xx acris terre et terram Gode et terram Eadwini braciatoris et terram Elmari Longi et terram Wuluric Mucche et omnes alias tenuras eiusdem ville quas predicti monachi vel homines eorum extra parcum habent in bosco & plano et prato libere et quiete ab omni seculari servitio michi vel meis pertinente, salvo tantum modo regis servitio scilicet quod monachi cum hominibus suis facere debent quartam partem regis servitii quod villa de Colum regi debet; et ecclesiam de Bello campo et terras pertinentes cum tribus acris prati et totam decimam de dominio et de virgulto et de villa de omnibus rebus que decimari debent, et communitatem pasture pecoribus dominicis monachorum cum pecoribus meis libere & quiete in perpetuum; et ecclesiam de Duvrecurt & terras pertinentes et totam decimam de dominio et de villa & de piscaria & de omnibus rebus que decimari debent et centum ovium pasturam in marisco & unum hominem cum quinque acris libere & quiete in perpetuum; et ecclesias de Campis et de Bonetleia cum omnibus pertinentiis suis quas pater meus cum supradictis ecclesiis in primis fundamentis ecclesie in liberam & perpetuam contulit elemosinam; et in Roinges Grimbaldi totam decimam de dominio et ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis; et ecclesiam de Colum Miblan cum omnibus pertinentiis suis; in maneriis, scilicet Haingaham, Laureham, Aldeham, Roinges, duas partes decime de dominio de omnibus rebus que decimari debent; in Walde et Wadenho medietatem decime de dominio de omnibus rebus que decimari debent, et apud Haingaham tertiam partem decime de terra Rannulfi Mengui et de terra Roberti Balci et de terra Guiumari et de terra Willelmi Grosvassal de omnibus rebus

f. 12.

f. 12v.

que decimari debent, & molendinum de Haingeham cum pertinentiis suis, et apud Burgate x solidatas terre, et apud Crupinge tres solidatas terre, et apud Roinges terram quam Hargar tenet unde debet annuatim monachis duos solidos et octo denarios, et apud Colecestriam unum masagium quod Ascelinus tenet unde debet annuatim monachis sexdecim denarios. Hec omnia pro salute anime mee et patris mei & matris mee et omnium parentum meorum vivorum et defunctorum cum omnimoda libertate quam pater meus vel ego melius habuimus concedo et confirmo in perpetuam elemosinam deo & beate Marie et monachis prefatis ita libere & quiete sicut elemosina esse debet & potest. His testibus. Rogero de Ver, & Roberto de Ver, fratribus meis. Bernardo dapifero. Lancelino capellano. Adam filio Warini, & Radulfo filio eius. Roberto de Mercheshale. Picoto preposito de Colum. Pagano forestario. Tedbaldo clerico. Godwino Pulifan, et Ricardo filio eius. Ricardo Pinel, et multis aliis.

32. *Karta Alberici de Ver de ecclesia de Duvrecurt, et aliis rebus.*

Albericus de Ver, regis camerarius, omnibus hominibus suis presentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis me reddidisse et carta mea confirmasse deo & beate Marie & monachis meis de Colum ecclesiam de Duvrecurt cum terris & decimis et omnibus pertinentiis, et pasturam centum ovium in marisco, libere & quiete inperpetuum. Concedo etiam ecclesias de Campis et de Bonetleia cum terris & decimis et omnibus pertinentiis, cum aliqua ratione a Toma & Lancelino vacaverint, sicut pater meus et mater mea deo & beate Marie et prefatis monachis in liberam et perpetuam prius contulerunt elemosinam. His testibus. Willelmo de Ver, carissimo filio meo. Ricardo filio Pichardi. Radulfo filio Ade. Magistro Samsone. Pagano forestario. Radulfo de Carnote. Ricardo Macro, et Radulfo pomarie.

33. *Karta eiusdem de aliis possessionibus ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum.*

- f. 13. Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis me concessisse & hac carta mea in perpetuam elemosinam confirmasse ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum et monachis ibi deo servientibus donationem quam Hugo filius Gaufridi et Aitrop heres suus fecerunt predictae ecclesie me presente & concedente et Alberico filio meo et uxore prefati Hugonis & filiis suis et amicis, scilicet quinque solidos annuatim quos Radulfus de Berners debet de terra de Bernestuna solutos & quietos ab omni servitio seculari, insuper etiam terram illam quam Adam del Ac

tenuit de predicto Hugone in Bernestuna et servitium de eadem terra omnino sine ullo retinaculo quod ad ipsum Hugonem pertinebat, et homagium ipsius Ade et heredum suorum ita quod ipse Hugo nec heredes sui mittent manum in hominem terre illius vel in catalla eius inperpetuum aliqua occasione, sed defendet se contra regem sicut dimidia virgata de Roinges, preterea duas solidatas terre in Roinges quam tenet Hugo Clavier ita solutam et quietam sicut prescriptum est de terra Ade, sed defendet se contra regem sicut tantum terre facit alibi in eadem villa. Habebunt autem homines monachorum libertatem in planis, in pascuis, in pratis, in nemoribus, sicut habebant quando homines Hugonis fuerunt, et preterea etiam ecclesiam de Roinges et eius patronatum cum omnibus pertinentiis in terris & decimis & ceteris obventionibus et quatuor acras terre lucrabiles sicut carta Hugonis testatur. His testibus. Angnete comitissa. Alberico filio comitis. * Simone de Cantelu, & Radulfo fratre suo. Hugone de Hosden. Johanne Tresgod. Alano decano. Helia sacerdote, & Nicholao, sacerdote de Haingaham. Michaeli clerico. Wilkelmo, preposito de Colum. Petro forestario. Ricardo Hoche'. Rodberto, Nigello, Goce, Ligerio, Aluredo, Salomone, famulis monachorum.

34. *Karta Alberici de Ver de aliis rebus.*

Albericus de Ver, regis camerarius, prepositis & hominibus suis de Aldham, Laureham, Haingaham, Roinges, salutem. Sciatis me concessisse et carta mea confirmasse in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam deo et beate Marie et monachis meis de Colum duas partes decimarum de omnibus rebus que decimari debent de dominiis meis in Aldham, Laureham, Haingaham, Roinges, ita integre sicut illa dominia fuerunt tempore Alberici patris mei qui illas decimas deo & prefatis monachis prius dederat. Quare volo & precipio quod monachi predicti habeant & possideant libere & quiete cum omni integritate prefatas decimationes de dominiis meis predictis, quicumque de illis dominiis plus vel minus teneat vel excolat. His testibus. Adam filio Warini. Reginaldo filio Petri. Adam Luffe. Henrico clerico. Teodbaldo clerico. Eadwino brachiatore. Ricardo Pinel. f. 13v.

35. *Karta Alberici Comitis de Ver de medietate ville de Colum Miblan.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis universi me dedisse et concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam pro anima patris mei Alberici de Ver et pro animabus omnium parentum meorum vivorum et

* margin. This Agnys comitissa I take to be first wife of Alberic earl of Oxford.

defunctorum deo & beate Marie & beato Johanni ewangeliste & monachis meis de Colum medietatem ville de Colum Miblanc in bosco & plano & in omnibus rebus et dimidium molendinum et totam ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis, et terram Algodi que reddit quinque solidos, et ecclesiam de Horstede tali conditione quam si ego vel heres meus warantizare non poterimus prefatis monachis redditum quinque marcarum argenti dabimus, et insuper concedo et confirmo quicquid avus meus vel pater meus vel alii de feudo meo dederunt, scilicet ecclesiam sancti Andree de Colum cum omnibus pertinentiis et decimam de pullis de parco & molendinum et decimam de dominio de omnibus unde decima exire debet, et ecclesiam de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentiis, et decimam de dominio de omnibus unde decima exire debet, et ecclesiam de Duvrecurt cum omnibus pertinentiis et unum hominem cum quinque acris, et ecclesiam de Roinges Grimbaldi cum pertinentiis et totam decimam de dominio, et in alia Roinges unum hominem qui reddit xxxij denarios & duas partes decime de dominio de omnibus unde decima exire debet, et duas partes decime de dominio de Aldeham & de Laureham & de Haingaham de omnibus unde decima exire debet, et molendinum quod reddit xx solidos in Haingaham & tertiam partem decime de dominio Ernaldi de Topesfeld & Warini Grosvassal et Radulfi de Hosden de omnibus unde decima exire debet, et duas partes decime Huberti de Tagalea, & iiij solidatas terre de Ricardo filio Picardi, et totam decimam de dominio Rogeri de Ver in Walingafeld & tertiam partem ecclesie cum xx acris terre, et dimidiam decime Thielis militis de Aldeham, et dimidiam decimam de Wadenho & de Walde, et quindecim solidatas terre de Burgate, & tres solidatas terre in Cruppinge, et xx solidos de molendino de la forde, et in Suberia iiij solidos, et in Colecestria xvj denarios, et ecclesiam de Kinswinetune sicut Ingulfus abbas Abendonie perpetualiter dedit in die dedicationis ecclesie de Colum et super altare posuit. Ista omnia concedo tam libere tam quiete tam honorifice monachis prefatis perpetualiter habenda sicut unquam pater meus vel ego vel avus meus melius & quietius habuimus. Preterea concedo ut quisquis de hominibus meis voluerit ecclesie de Colum aliquid beneficium in terris vel in ecclesiis vel in decimis vel in redditibus inpendere meo concessu & voluntate inpendat. His testibus. Roberto, Lundoniensi episcopo. Hugone, abbate de Colecestria. Ailwardo archidiacono. Gaufrido de Ver. Willelmo de Ver. Gilleberto de Ver. Fulcone dapifero, et Petro eius clerico. Roberto capellano. Ernaldo de Topesfeld. Radulfo de Guines. Radulfo filio Ade. Magistro Sampson. Hamone, clerico de Stistede. Pagano forestario, Roberto carpentario. Turchillo mazone.

36. *Karta Alberici de Ver de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.* f. 14v.

Venerabili Ricardo Lundoniensi dei gratia episcopo et omnibus dominis & hominibus et amicis suis tam presentibus quam futuris Albericus comes Oxenefordie salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et concessisse in elemosinam deo & sancte Marie & sancto Johanni evangeliste et ecclesie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo ministrantibus centum solidatas redditus inperpetuum, scilicet duo molendina de Aldeham pro xl solidis, et molendinum de Colum de Chealtenheia pro xxvj solidis, et molendinum de Canevelles pro xvj solidis, et in eadem villa de Canevelles terram de Litlefrid pro xv solidis, et terram quam tenet in eadem villa Aluricus faber pro iij solidis, et omnia hec dono eis queta & libera ab omnibus servitiis secularibus tali conditione quod si aliquid deliberaverit aut in ecclesia aut in alia terra valens c solidos insimul et ego consul Albericus providerim quod ecclesie & monachis utile sit, revertantur alia supradicta dona per partes pro illo redditu insimul congregato et sicut supradicta que per partes sunt libere et absolute data sunt queta, ita omni exactione exclusa illud excambium si fuerit quietum et liberum sit, et antequam dissaisiti sint de supradictis per partes ante saisientur de excambio, et super omnia dono corpus meum post obitum ibi sepeliendum. His testibus. Comite Gaufrido. Walchelino Maminot. Willelmo de Ver, fratre meo. Fulcone dapifero. Hugone filio Gaufridi. Radulfo de Guines. Geroldo marescallo, et Rogero filio eius. Willelmo de Bello campo. Otuel de Crus. Petro de Curtlinges. Willelmo clerico, filio Ailwardi. Roberto capellano. Helia capellano. Waltero, decano de Mideltune. Willelmo de Spaine. Rogero de Bello campo. Huberto camerario.

37. *Karta eiusdem de aliis possessionibus.*

Sciant presentes & futuri quod ego comes Albericus Oxenefordie dedi, concessi, & hac carta mea confirmavi deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum x solidatas redditus de terra Wienoe quas Michael clericus eidem ecclesie reddet annuatim quam diu vixerit et post decessum Michaelis vel mutationem vite sue in religionem remanebit tota terra Wienoe cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ecclesie de Colum in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Preterea dedi et concessi et hac carta mea confirmavi totam terram quam Aluricus de la grange de me tenuit in Elfelmestune cum toto eiusdem terre servitio deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam. Hanc autem donationem et concessionem & confirmationem feci predictae ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in excambio xx solidorum quos eadem ecclesia habuit in molendino de forda ex donatione Adelize de Ver matris mee. †

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consul } synonymus.

† margin, mater Albrici tertii.

Hanc vero donationem optuli manu mea super altare sancte Marie in presentia Osberti prioris & conventus eiusdem ecclesie. His testibus. Alberico filio meo. Radulfo de Ver, filio meo. Roberto, & Henrico, filiis meis. Roberto de Cokesfeld. Rogero de Bello campo. Willelmo Grosso. Roberto de Campes. Nicholao capellano. Willelmo clerico. Michaelle clerico. Petro forestario. Moyse capellano. Helya capellano.

* 38. *Karta Alberici de Ver de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus baronibus et hominibus suis Francis & Anglis presentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis universi me dedisse et concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam pro anima patris mei Alberici de Ver et pro animabus omnium parentum meorum et pro mea salute & omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum deo & beate Marie et monachis meis de Colum medietatem ville de Colum Miblan-
 † in omnibus rebus et dimidium molendinum, & terram Algodi que reddit v solidos, et totam ecclesiam cum omnibus pertinentiis quantum ad laicam pertinet personam, et ecclesiam de Horstede tali conditione
 f. 15v. quod, si ego vel heres meus warantizare non poterimus, redditum quinque marcarum argenti dabimus. Et insuper concedo & confirmo quicquid avus meus vel pater meus & alii de feudo meo dederunt, scilicet ecclesiam sancti Andree de Colum cum omnibus pertinentiis et decimam de pullis de parco, et ecclesiam de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentiis, et ecclesiam de Duvrecurt cum omnibus pertinentiis, et ecclesiam de Roinges Grimbaldi cum pertinentiis et totam decimam de dominio, & duas partes decime de dominio de alia Roinges & unum rusticum qui reddit xxxij denarios, et duas partes decime de dominio de Aldeham, et duas partes decime de dominio de Laureham, et duas partes decime de dominio de Haingaham et molendinum quod reddit xx solidos in eadem Haingaham, et tertiam partem de dominio Ernaldi de Topesfeld et tertiam partem decime de dominio Warini Grosvassal et tertiam partem decime de dominio Radulfi de Hosden, & duas partes decime Huberti de Tagalea, et iiij solidatas terre de Ricardo filio Picardi, et totam decimam de dominio Rogeri de Ver in Walingefeld & tertiam partem ecclesie cum xx acris terre, et dimidiam decimam Thielis de Aldeham, & dimidiam decimam de Wadenho & dimidiam decimam de Walde, & quindecim solidatas terre de Burgate, et tres solidatas terre de Cruppinge, & xx solidos de molendino de la forde, & in Sudberia quadraginta vj denarios, et in Colecestria xvj denarios, et xx solidos de ecclesia de Kinswinetune sicut Ingulfus abbas Abendonie perpetualiter dedit in die dedicationis ecclesie de Colum et super altare posuit. Ista omnia concedo tam

* margin, *tertius A.*

† margin, *vide antea*, f. 13v.

libere tam quiete tam honorifice monachis prefatis perpetualiter habenda in campis in silvis in viis in pratis in pascuis cum saca et soca & tol & team & infanganethief sicut unquam pater meus vel ego vel avus meus melius habuimus. Preterea concedo ut quisquis de hominibus meis voluerit ecclesie de Colum aliquod beneficium in terris, in decimis, vel in redditibus impendere, meo concessu & voluntate impendat. His testibus. Roberto, Lundonensi episcopo. Hugone, abbate Colecestrie. Ailwardo, archidiacono. Gaufrido de Ver. Willelmo de Ver. Gilleberto de Ver. Fulcone dapifero, & Petro eius clerico. Roberto, capellano comitis. Ernaldo de Topesfelde. Radulfo de Guines. Radulfo filio Ade. f. 16.

39. *Karta Alberici comitis de Ver de Petro convicto quod non fecerat debitum servitium ecclesie sancte Marie de molendino de Coleford.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis presentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis quod Petrus molendarius convictus fuit coram me & multis aliis quod secundum cartam suam quam habuit de molendino de Coleford debitum servitium non fecerat ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum et contra cartam suam alias tenuras occupaverat, scilicet quandam gravam & unum parvum campum iuxta Chiffen & quoddam pratum iuxta molendinum de Coleford & nullum servitium inde fecerat, et preterea terram illam que dicitur Mers ultra pontem de Coleford que est membrum ville mee de Colum sibi occupaverat & contra me & contra ius ecclesie de Colum assignare volebat molendinum de Colum Miblan, et pro tali iniquitate quia iusto iudicio quicquid habuit amittere debuit in misericordiam ecclesie & meam se reddidit foresfactum ut aliquam misericordiam inveniret & illam terram que dicitur Mers & molendinum de Coleford et cartam quam habuit sine reclamatione ecclesie de Colum reddidit, et ideo quia ista omnia coram me facta sunt volo & precipio ut monachi mei de Colum molendinum de Coleford & prefatam terram que dicitur Mers et cetera prenominata bene & in pace teneant sicut antecessores mei in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam ea dederunt et carta sua confirmaverunt. His testibus. Alberico filio meo. Radulfo de Ver. Willelmo clerico. Waltero de Mideltune. Helia sacerdote. Toma dapifero. Willelmo Handsex. Ricardo Hoche. Radulfo magistro Alberici. Petro forestario. Roberto filio recluse. Aluredo portario. Petro filio Pari.

40. *Karta Comitis Alberici de Ver de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.* f. 16v.

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus & amicis suis Francis & Anglis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis omnes me

dedisse & concessisse et hac carta mea confirmasse deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum totum boscum meum de Colum qui appellatur Chiffen & duas karectas omnibus diebus anni in parco meo de Colum ad trahendam ramillam de landis parci et kaetam de mortuo bosco ad focarium predictorum monachorum in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod eidem monachi predictum boscum & carectas sicut predictum est habeant & teneant de me & heredibus meis in liberam & quietam elemosinam quietam ab omni exactione seculari. His testibus. Steffano de Munchanesi. Steffano de Topesfeld. Willelmo filio Fulconis. Ricardo filio Baldewini. Radulfo de Bello campo. Willelmo fratre suo. Ricardo de Hispania. Nicholao capellano. Willelmo seneschallo. Michaelae clerico.

41. *Carta comitis Alberici de dimidio miliare allecis.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & hac carta mea confirmasse deo & beate Marie & monachis de Colum dimidium miliare allecis quod Thoma de Colecestria debuit michi pro feudo quod tenet de me, pro salute mea & omnium meorum vivorum ac defunctorum. His testibus. Alberico filio meo. Radulfo de Ver. Toma dapifero. Johanne Tresgod. Roberto de Campes. Willelmo clerico. Roberto, & Nigello, servientibus prioris, et multis aliis.

42. *Carta Comitiss Alberici de damo en Gresse & dama infermeysun.*

- f. 17. Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglis tam presentibus quam futuris salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse & concessisse & hac mea carta confirmasse deo & sancte Marie & monachis meis de Colum in puram & perpetuam elemosinam pro salute anime mee et parentum meorum vivorum & mortuorum unum damum in graesse et unam damam infermeysun in parco mea de Colum ad reparationem debiliu et infirmorum fratrum. Et ut hec donatio mea firma & stabilis perseveret kartam hanc sigilli mei appositione communivi. His testibus. Radulfo de Ver. Roberto filio comitis. Nicholao, Willelmo, Michaelae, clericis comitis. Ricardo filio Baldewini, Rogero filio Roberti, Roberto de Campes, militibus. Petro forestario, et Willelmo filio eius. Admundo, serviente comitis. Roberto, Ricardo, Helia, servientibus prioris, et multis aliis.

43. *Karta Alberici de Ver de possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Venerabili domino suo & patri karissimo Ricardo Lundonensi episcopo & omnibus hominibus suis & amicis presentibus & futuris

Albericus comes Oxenefordie salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & concessisse et hac mea presenti karta confirmasse in puram & perpetuam elemosinam deo & sancte Marie & sancto Johanni ewangeliste & ecclesie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum et liberorum meorum & parentum meorum & amicorum meorum molendinum de Aldeham & molendinum de Asse & molendinum de Colum de Chaltenhie et totam terram meam de Sudberia que est inter duos pontes in hominibus & redditibus cum omnibus libertatibus suis & pertinentiis preter redditum quem Ricardus aurifaber et heredes sui ibidem de me tenent. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi de Colum hec omnia habeant & teneant libere & quiete ab omni seculari servitio & exactione sicut liberam & puram elemosinam. Et super omnia volo & dono corpus meum post obitum meum in ecclesia sancte Marie de Colum sepeliendum. His testibus. Alberico, filio meo & herede, et Roberto, & Henrico, filiis meis. Roberto de Cauntelu. Steffano de Topesfeld. † Willelmo filio Fulconis. Ricardo filio Baldewini. Willelmo de Bello campo. Roberto de Campes. Nicholao capellano. Willelmo seneschallo. Michaele clerico. Radulfo clerico. Willelmo filio Radulfi. Ricardo, & Gaufrido, fratribus eius. Roberto filio recluse. Helya, Vincentio, servientibus prioris, et multis aliis.

44. *Carta eiusdem de ecclesia de Roynges.*

Roberto dei gratia Lundonensi episcopo domino suo venerabili ac patri spirituali comes Albericus salutem et filialem subiunctionem. f. 17v. Noverit paternitas vestra me dedisse atque concessisse quantum ad laicam pertinet personam deo & sancte Marie de Colum et monachis ibidem deo servientibus ecclesiam de Roinges cum omnibus appendiciis suis in elemosina pro anima patris mei & pro salute mea. Unde paternitatem vestram humiliter ac diligenter deosco quatinus pro dei & mei amore eis quod vestrum est dare & concedere detis atque concedatis. His testibus. Willelmo de Ver, fratre meo, clerico. Roberto constabulario. Radulfo dapifero. Radulfo de Gisnes. Huberto dapifero. Roberto capellano. Fulcone clerico. Valet.

45. *Carta Alberici de Ver de Ecclesia de Colum de Miblan cum omnibus pertinentiis.*

Venerabili patri Gilleberto dei gratia Lundonensi episcopo Albericus comes Oxenefordie salutem. Noverit paternitas vestra me dedisse & concessisse quantum ad laicam spectat personam ecclesiam de Colum de Miblan cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in perpetuam elemosinam

* margin, *vide liberacionem quam habemus modo Sudbyria inter pontes.*

† margin, *tertius A. cum tribus filiis.*

ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus. Quo circa vobis diligenter supplico quatinus quod vestrum est super hoc prefate ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum concedatis & confirmetis. Predicti autem fratres de Colum pro amore dei & mea petitione eandem ecclesiam de Colum de Miblan Hereberto clerico de Sancto Eadmundo in elemosinam concesserunt tali conditione quod quamdiu ipse eandem ecclesiam tenuerit prenominate ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum singulis annis x solidos in recognitionem persolvat. Cum vero ipsa ecclesia ab eo aliqua ratione vacaverit monachi de Colum eam liberam & quietam in perpetuum possideant. Valet.

46. *Karta eiusdem de aliis possessionibus eiusdem ecclesie.*

f. 18. Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis quod Hugo prior de Colum petitione mea concessit Petro forestario meo illam terram que dicitur Bracha Presbiteri & iiij acras in Acstede non iure hereditario sed in vita sua tantum modo tenendas pro suo servitio et pro duobus solidis annuatim reddendis in die sancti Michaelis, et sciatis quod tale cirografum recepit prefatus Petrus in presentia mea a priore de Colum. Hec est conventio inter monachos de Colum & Petrum forestarium, scilicet quod monachi concedunt prefato Petro sine iure hereditario tenere illam terram que dicitur Bracha Presbiteri et iiij acras in Acstede in vita sua pro suo servitio et pro duobus solidis annuatim reddendis in die sancti Michaelis, ita ut post obitum Petri prefata terra in manus monachorum sine calumpnia redeat. His testibus. Alberico comite. Angnete comitissa, et Alberico filio comitis. Helia sacerdote. Toma dapifero. Hugone de Hosden. Willelmo, clerico comitis. Waltero de Mideletune. Roberto de Campis. Willelmo Hansex. Ricardo Hoche'. Willelmo filio Hugonis. Radulfo, clerico magistro Alberici. Willelmo Hich. Roberto, & Rogero, filiis Alexandri de Michelestoue.

47. *Karta Alberici Comitis de tribus solidatis terre de Stokes.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis presentibus & futuris tam Francis quam Anglicis salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse & concessisse et hac mea carta confirmasse deo & sancte Marie & sancto Iohanni ewangeliste et monachis meis de Colum in puram & perpetuam elemosinam tres solidatas terre in Stoches de mariagio comitisse quas Godingus tenuit, pro salute mea et comitissee mee Angnetis & omnium parentum meorum & liberorum meorum ad duos cereos parandos & cotidie ardendos supra altare ubi celebratur missa de sancta Maria, et ut hec mea donatio & concessio

firma habeatur kartam hanc cum testium annotatione & sigilli nostri appositione roboramus. His testibus. Alberico filio meo, & Roberto fratre eius, et Nicholao, capellano meo, et Willelmo, clerico de Colum, et Michaele clerico, et Roberto filio Baldewini, & Roberto de Campes, et Rogero filio Roberti, et Willelmo filio Fulconis, et multis aliis.

48. *Carta Alberici de Ver de masagio Normanni de Teya.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis me concessisse & hac carta mea confirmasse deo & sancte Marie et monachis de Colum donationem Normanni de Theia, scilicet masagium in Bredecroft quod reddit xij denarios, quod et precipio quod habeant liberum et quietum ab omni servitio & consuetudine quod sit vel esse possit sicut Normannus eis concessit. His testibus. Alberico filio meo. Radulfo de Ver. Johanne Tresgod. Roberto de Campes. Toma dapifero. Willelmo clerico. Roberto, & Nigello, servientibus prioris, et multis aliis. f. 18v.

49. *Karta Alberici Comitis de Ecclesia de Colum de Miblanc cum pertinentiis.*

Albericus comes Oxenefordie omnibus suis et universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis presentibus & futuris salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego concessi & hac carta mea confirmavi donationem patris mei deo & monachis ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum, scilicet ecclesiam de Colum de Miblanc cum omnibus pertinentiis suis, in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam pro anima patris mei qui ibi requiescit et pro anima avi mei ibidem similiter requiescentis qui & ipsam ecclesiam fundavit et pro salute anime mee & omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum. His testibus. Willelmo de Ver, & Gilleberto de Ver, fratribus meis. Fulcone dapifero. Willelmo clerico. Waltero, clerico de Mideltune. Helia capellano.

50. *Karta eiusdem de ecclesia de Metzinges cum pertinentiis suis.*

Sciant presentes & futuri quod ego comes Albericus Oxenefordie dedi & concessi ecclesie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus ecclesiam de Metzinges cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in puram & perpetuam elemosinam pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum, ita tamen quod Michael clericus meus tenebit eam de ecclesia de Colum & monachis ibi commorantibus pro centum solidis annuatim inde reddendis ad quatuor terminos, ad festum sancti Michaelis xxv solidis, ad Natale xxv solidis, ad Pasca xxv solidis, ad festum sancti Iohannis xxv solidis, et ne in posterum hec concessio irrita habeatur

- illam sigilli mei corroboratione confirmo. Et Michael clericus iuravit coram me et coram priore & conventu de Colum quod ipse fidem & legalitatem portabit ecclesie & monachis de Colum et quod ipse non queret artem nec ingenium vita sua unde ecclesia & monachi de Colum sint elongati de ecclesia de Metcinges post dies suos. His testibus. Symone de Cantelu. Alberico, filio meo. Rogero de Bello campo.
- f. 19. Steffano de Munchanesy. Petro de Kerlinges. Steffano filio Ernaldi. Radulfo de Bello campo. Johanne Tresgoz. Roberto de Campes. Nicholao capellano. Helya presbitero, et multis aliis.

51.

Gaufridus comes de Essexia preposito & omnibus hominibus suis de Roinges salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & firmiter concessisse deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum terram que est inter terram illorum que reddit viij denarios per annum in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam. Concedo etiam ut habeant plenarie duas partes decimarum de blado de pasnagio & de omnibus rebus que decimari debent de dominio de Roinges sicut fuit tempore Alberici de Ver. Quare volo & firmiter precipio ut teneant libere & quiete ne inde clamorem audiam. His testibus. Aelardo, constabulario meo. Mauricio filio Gaufridi. Ricardo de Berchereol, et Samuele clerico, et Helya clerico.

52. *Karta Willelmi de Maundeville comitis Essexie de decimis de Roynges cum aliis rebus.*

Willelmus de Mandeville comes Essexie omnibus hominibus & amicis suis Francis & Anglis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis me concessisse & presenti karta mea confirmasse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum duas partes decimarum de toto dominio in Roinges de omnibus rebus que decimari debent sicut karta avi mei Alberici de Ver testatur. His testibus. Alberico comite. Hasculfo capellano. Willelmo, capellano de Bello campo. Johanne de Rokella. Willelmo Walensi. Radulfo de Ver. Rogero de Bello campo.

53. *Karta Rohese de una marca argenti in molendino suo de Bello campo.*

Rohesa comitissa omnibus sancte matris ecclesie filiis salutem. Sciatis universi me donasse et hac karta mea presenti confirmasse ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam unam marcarn argenti in meo molendino de Bello campo. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod

illam marcam argenti habeant & teneant libere, quiete, integre, & honorifice ad iiij terminos, scilicet ad festum sancti Michaelis et ad festum sancti Andree et ad Pascha & ad festum sancti Johannis ad quemlibet istorum terminorum xl denarios, quos illis donavi pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum & filiorum meorum defunctorum. Nec volo quod aliquis eis iniuriam vel contumeliam faciat super hac mea donatione. Testibus. Asculfo capellano. Godefrido capellano. Waltero Ruffo. Laurentio filio Jordani. Hugone capellano. Alexandro de Topesfeld. Bodino de Colecestria. Johanne de Colecestria. Roberto de Colum. Hugone filio Pagani. Willelmo de Waledene. Waltero pincerna. Rogero filio Willelmi. Henrico de Ver. Jordane camerario, et pluribus aliis. f. 19v.

54. *Karta Rohese comitis de excambio dimidie acre in campo de Seldeford.*

Rohesia comitissa omnibus hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglis futuris et presentibus salutem. Sciatis universi quod excambiavi monachis de Colum dimidiam acram in campo monachorum de Seldeford quam Halulfus porcarius meus tenuit pro terra sacriste ubi Paganus & Hugo sacerdotes mansionem habuerunt. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod excambium istud ratum & inconcussum prefatis monachis permaneat. His thestibus. Comite Alberico. Comite Willelmo. Willelmo de Ver. Hasculfo capellano. Godefrido capellano. Waltero Ruffo. Alexandro clerico. Gaufridus Bainard. Roberto de Colum. Alexandro. Willelmo filio Roce.

55. *Confirmatio Rohese comitis de molendino apud Stibbinge.*

Rohesia comitissa omnibus hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis me dedisse perpetue in elemosina unum molendinum apud Stibbinge quod reddit xxx & duos solidos in ecclesia sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi habitantibus pro anima patris mei Alberici & Gaufridi domini mei et pro me ipsa & pro omnibus parentibus meis. Testibus. Ricardo de Belmis. Willelmo de Ver. Alexandro de Porflet. Alardo de Werres. Roberto Falcilun. Rogero de Chandos.

56. *Karta Eufemie Comitisse de possessionibus quas dedit & confirmavit ecclesie de Colum.* f. 20.

Eufemia comitissa omnibus dominis suis & amicis et fidelibus & omnibus hominibus suis tam presentibus quam futuris Francis & Anglis in domino salutem. Notum sit presentibus & futuris quod

* margin. This Eufemia wife of Aubrey de Ver, 2nd Earl of Oxford.

ego concessu comitis Alberici mariti mei dedi in elemosina perhennu deo & beate Marie & ecclesie & monachis de Colum ibi deo servientibus centum solidatas terre in Clintona liberas & quietas ab omni servitio seculari. Et hanc donationem feci ego deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum, cui ego dedi corpus meum ad sepeliendum, pro salute corporis & anime Stephani regis Anglie et pro anima Matildis regine & pro anima comitis Eustachii filii eorum & pro salute anime mee. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod predicta ecclesia sancte Marie de Colum istas centum solidatas terre habeat & in perpetuum possideat ita bene, & libere, & quiete, & honorifice in omnibus rebus sicut rex Stephanus et Matildis regina uxor sua, qui prenominationum manerium michi dederunt in libero maritagio, unquam melius & liberius et quietius & honorificentius in diebus suis habuerunt & possederunt, et ego post illos habui & possedi. His testibus. Comite Alberico. Gilleberto de Ver. Roberto capellano, confessore meo. Radulfo de Hosdenc. Roberto constabulario. Rogero de Bello campo. Matildi de Chereburc. Ricardo clerico Canefeldie.

57. *Karta Alberici de Ver de molendino de Hasse.*

Reverendo domino suo & patri Willelmo dei gratia Norewicensi episcopo & dilecto filio suo comiti Alberico & hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglis A[deliza] de Ver salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam ecclesie beate Marie de Colum & dominis eiusdem loci pro salute anime mee & viri mei Alberici de Ver et omnium filiorum & filiarum mearum et omnium amicorum meorum viventium & defunctorum totum molendinum de Hasse ita libere & quiete et honorifice sicut dominus meus Albericus de Ver sive aliquis ante eum liberius & quietius & honorificentius tenuit in vita sua aut ego post ipsum. Quare volo & precipio quod molendinum predictum habeant & teneant sicut ipsis presenti carta confirmo ne aliquis eis super hoc gravamen temptet inferre. Testibus his. W[illelmo] de Ver. Comitissa Rohesia. A[deliza] de Essex. Albino capellano. Harc'. Simone clerico. Alexandro de Michelestoue. Michaele Pullo. Radulfo de Suenescamp. Huberto, & Radulfo de Hispania, et Gaufrido Perdriz, servientibus meis, et aliis multis.

58. *Karta de Ricardo de Bello campo de donatione Sochemans.*

Omnibus sancte ecclesie fidelibus Ricardus de Bello campo salutem in Christo. Notum vobis facio me dedisse ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in perpetuam elemosinam omnes sochemans quos tenui de feudo Clare sicut unquam liberius tenui de Gilleberto filio Ricardi et

de Ricardo filio eius et postea de comite Gilleberto filio Ricardi pro salute anime mee et omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum, et ad confirmationem huius donationis dedi hanc cartam Mainardo priori de Colum meo sigillo singnatam. His testibus. Pagano de Bello campo. Mauritio, Waltero, & Radulfo, sacerdotibus. Willelmo capellano. Willelmo clerico. Baldwino medico. Hugone de Colesdune. Waltero filio Nigelli.

59. *Karta eiusdem de eisdem & de ecclesia de Hydyngaham.*

Omnibus sancte ecclesie fidelibus Ricardus de Bello campo in Christo salutem. Notum vobis facio me dedisse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in perpetuam elemosinam omnes sochemans quos tenui de feudo Clare sicut unquam liberius tenui de Gileberto filio Ricardi et de Ricardo filio eius et postea de comite Gileberto filio Ricardi pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum. Concedo quoque deo & predictae ecclesie ecclesiam de Idingaham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris & decimis & ceteris obventionibus cum aliqua ratione a Ricardo filio Hugonis vacaverit. His testibus. Pagano de Bello campo. Mauritio, Waltero, & Radulfo, sacerdotibus. Willelmo capellano, et Willelmo clerico. Baldewino medico. Hugone de Colesdune, et Waltero filio Nigelli.

60. *Karta Stephani de Bello campo de ecclesia de Idyngaham.*

Stephanus de Bello campo omnibus hominibus suis et amicis suis presentibus et futuris Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis me dedisse et hac carta mea confirmasse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in perpetuam elemosinam ecclesiam de Ichelingham cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris et decimis & ceteris obventionibus quam volo quod habeant & possideant monachi de Colum libere & quiete pro anima patris mei & mea & meorum, quia pater meus eandem ecclesiam eis in vita sua post personam tunc presentem, scilicet Ricardum filium Hugonis, possidendam concessit. His testibus. Anselmo, Gaufrido, Roberto, fratribus meis. Willelmo, clerico de Lamersse. Baldewino capellano. Helya, capellano de Colum. Roberto clerico. Ricardo clerico, & Waltero, & Ricardo, filiis meis. Roberto filio Mauriti. Roberto, Nigello, servientibus monachorum. f. 21.

61. *Karta Stephani de Bello campo de soca quam tenuit de Comite de Clare cum pertinentiis.*

Notum sit presentibus & futuris quod ego Stephanus de Bello campo concessi & dedi monachis deo & beate Marie in ecclesia de Colum

servientibus totam socam quam teneo de feudo comitis de Clare cum omnibus pertinentiis in puram & perpetuam elemosinam sicut Ricardus pater meus eam antea eis donaverat & carta sua confirmaverat, et volo quod predicti monachi predictam socam libere & quiete de me & de heredibus meis teneant salvo servitio regis & comitis de Clare pro anima patris mei & salute anime mee & heredum meorum. His testibus. Domino Petro, abbate de Cogeshale, & Hugone, monacho eiusdem loci, et Gaufrido de Bello campo, & Rodberto de Bello campo, & Ricardo de Bello campo, clerico, & Ricardo de Bello campo, & Waltero, & Albrico capellano, & Gaufrido de Bedefordia, & Ricardo de Reymes, & Ricardo filio Willelmi, et Rogero Grossin, & Rodberto filio recluse. Rodberto filio Turgis. Willelmo filio Baldewini, & Laurentio presbitero.

62. *Karta Stephani de Bello campo de xx solidis.*

f. 21v. Stephanus de Bello campo omnibus hominibus suis vicinis & amicis Francis & Anglis cunctisque fidelibus sancte ecclesie filiis in Christo salutes. Notum sit vobis me concessisse ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus omni anno xx solidos pro anima patris mei et pro salute anime mee omniumque meorum vivorum & defunctorum, scilicet de Rogero de Bercholt vij solidos, & de Alexandro de Sudbiria iij solidos, et de terra de Halstede iij solidos, de Rogero filio Suein xxij denarios, et de Algaro Morild ij solidos & ij denarios, de Girardo filio Thome xvj denarios, de Baldewino April viij denarios, de Alfwine de Latheie xij denarios. Isti supradicti debent reddere hos denarios ad duos terminos, scilicet ad festum sancti Andree & ad Rogationes donec ipse dominus Steffanus provideat de terra vel in redditu ubi possint eos habere insimul libere & quiete ad utilitatem ecclesie. Quod si hoc dominus non fecerit eis habeant xx hos solidos prescriptos inperpetuum sine alia exactione, et si quis hanc donationem abstulerit vel inde iniuriam fecerit ecclesie a deo excommunicetur. His testibus. Radulfo de Bello campo, & Willelmo, clerico de Lamers, & Willelmo presbitero, et Waltero presbitero, et Girardo clerico. Anselimulo, & Roberto. Gilleberto, & Wulfrido Warde, cocis. Turgis filio Sawin.

63. *Karta Henrici de Longo campo de soca de Clare.*

Henricus de Longo campo omnibus ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit salutem. Sciatis me reddidisse & presenti carta mea confirmasse ecclesie de Colum & monachis eiusdem loci totam soccam de Clara quam Ricardus de Bello campo eis dedit & concessit una carta confirmavit et Steffanus filius eius post eum, preter illam terram que

nunc est in meo dominio et ita coram me reconvnitum fuit testimonio legalium hominum & sectarum suarum in curia de Lamers quod predicta socca ad ius predictorum monachorum pertinebat. Quare volo & precipio quod predicti monachi predictam soccam habeant & teneant bene & in pace libere & quiete & honorifice sicut carte eorum testantur. Testibus his. Willelmo presbitero. Ricardo de Bello campo. Gaufrido de Bedefordia. Roberto de Campis, milite comitis. f. 22. Willelmo filio Randulfi. Roberto, filio Willelmi de Bures. Roberto, & Helya, servientibus prioris, et pluribus aliis.

64. *Karta Huberti de Montecanesi de ecclesia de Eadwardestuna.*

Huberdus de Montecanesi omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis me dedisse in perpetuam elemosinam et presenti instrumento confirmasse deo & ecclesie beate Marie de Abendoniam & monachis ibi deo servientibus ecclesiam de Eadwardestune cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris, in decimis, in libertatibus, duodecim etiam acras de meo dominio, et duas acras iuxta ecclesiam, & iij acras de Mangaresdune, liberas & quietas ab omni seculari servitio, et communitatem pasture dominicis pecoribus monachorum libere & quiete in perpetuum, duas etiam partes decime de dominio de Stavertuna et de Stanesteda omnium rerum que debent decimari, et duas partes decime de redditibus molendinorum & de pasnagio nemorum meorum de Stanesteda scilicet & de Stavertuna, et totam decimam turbarum de Stavertuna, et ubicunque porci mei fuerint in pasnagio erunt autem porci monachorum Abendonie in pasnagio preter haiam de Stanestede, et in Eadwardestune totam terram Ricardi de Vilers cum omnibus pertinentiis et cum hominibus in eadem terra manentibus liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio in perpetuum. Omnia vero hec volo & precipio quod monachi Abendonie in perpetuum habeant & possideant ita libere & quiete & honorifice sicut unquam liberius quietius honorificentius tenere elemosinam potest. His thestibus. Muriele, uxore mea. Rogero, & Gaufrido, filiis meis. Roberto de Goldingeham. Roberto Manente. Willelmo de Baches'. Adelelmo. Nigello. Willelmo de Merlebury. Alewio. Johanne clerico, et ceteris multis.

65. *Karta eiusdem de eadem & de aliis possessionibus.*

Reverendo domino & patri Willelmo Norewicensi episcopo dominis amicis et hominibus suis Francis & Anglis Hugo de Montecanesy f. 22v. salutes. Notum sit presentibus & futuris me concessisse & confirmasse ecclesie beate Marie de Colum ecclesiam de Eadwardestune communi

- consensu domini abbatis Walchelini Abendonie & totius conventus liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio vel exactione cuiusquam operationis debite vel preste a monachis vel hominibus eorum nisi pro voluntate monachorum, quam ecclesiam pater meus Hubertus prius dederat ecclesie Abendonie cum omnibus libertatibus & liberis consuetudinibus, in bosco & plano, in decimis omnimodis omnium que debent decimari, & bladi ante hostium grangie recipiendi, et omnimode pecunie mee, & decimam molendinorum meorum, et communitatem pasture libere & quiete dominicis pecoribus monachorum cum pecoribus meis a molendino de Eadwardestune usque ad boscum, terram etiam Ricardi de Vilers cum hominibus in eadem terra manentibus, quam pater meus ecclesie Abendonie concessit quando ille monachus factus est, liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio perpetualiter habendam, duas etiam partes decimarum omnimodarum
- * de dominio de Staverstuna & de Stanesteda, et duas partes decime de redditibus molendinorum & de pasnagio nemorum meorum, &
 - † pasnagium porcorum suorum in bosco de Stanesteda quietum nisi in Racheia, et totam decimam turbarum de Staverstuna, sicut pater meus ecclesie Abendonie dedit et rex Henricus carta sua confirmavit ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum inperpetuum concedo. Quare precor, volo, & precipio quod ecclesia beate Marie de Colum & monachi in ea deo servientes ecclesiam de Eadwardestuna, terras, homines, decimationes, libertates, teneant de me & de heredibus meis libere, quiete, honorifice, sine omni mei vel meorum exactione sicut aliquis melius, liberius, quietius, honorificentius unquam tenuit vel tenere elemosinam potest. Duos etiam monachos quos abbas Faritius constituit pro anima patris mei Huberti in ecclesia de Eadwardestuna Walchelinus abbas Abendonie assignavit ipsi & mihi & heredibus meis in ecclesia de Colum perpetuo. Hanc autem kartam ego [Hugo] de Montecansey & Stephanus filius & heres meus optulimus super altare beate Marie de Colum contestantes deum & eius beatam genetricem Mariam in nullo
 - f. 23. nos eidem karte contraire. Istius vero conventionis & confirmationis testes sunt comes Albericus, Willelmus de Ver, Rogerus de Montecansey, Stephanus filius & heres meus, Othuel de Creus, Rogerus de Bello campo, Petrus de Curtelinges, Ricardus de Sartis, Willelmus clericus, Gaufridus de Sextune, Gaufridus filius Godefridi, Symon Pece, Radulfus filius Radulfi filii Ade, Symon Brito, Helyas capellanus, Paganus forestarius, Godwinus warendarius, Robertus cocus, Humfridus, Ernaldus, Alwredus, & Syricus, famuli monachorum, Gaufridus

* *Stavertuna*, with a superimposed *s*.

† *pecorum*, corrected to *porcorum*.

‡ *Hugo* has been accidentally omitted.

de Ver novissime superveniens, Johannes Brito, Rogerus de Hauile, Gaufridus filius Radulfi filii Ade, Normannus filius Ailnothi, et multi alii.

66. *Karta Stephani de Muntechanesii de ecclesia de Eadwardestune.*

Stephanus de Muntkenesy omnibus hominibus & amicis suis Francis & Anglis tam presentibus quam futuris salutem. Sciatis me dedisse in pertetuum elemosinam et confirmasse hac mea carta ecclesie beate Marie de Colum ecclesiam de Eadwardestuna communi consensu domini abbatis Walchelini Abendonie & totius conventus liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio vel exactione cuiusquam operationis debite vel preste a monachis vel hominibus eorum nisi pro voluntate monachorum, quam ecclesiam pater meus Hugo ei concessit et Hubertus avus meus dedit prius ecclesie Abendonie cum omnibus libertatibus & liberis consuetudinibus in bosco & plano in decimis omnimodis omnium que debent decimari et bladi debent ante hostium grangie recipi & omnimode pecunie mee et decimam molendinorum meorum & communitatem pasture libere & quiete dominicis pecoribus monachorum cum pecoribus meis a molendino de Eadwardestuna usque ad boscum. Terram etiam Ricardi de Vilers cum hominibus in eadem terra manentibus quam pater meus predictae ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum dedit liberam & quietam ab omni servitio seculari perpetualiter habendam, duas etiam partes decimarum omnimodarum de dominio de Stavertune & de Stanestede et duas partes decime de redditibus molendinorum & de pasnagio nemorum meorum et pasnagium porcorum suorum in bosco de Stanestede quietum nisi in Racheia, & totam decimam turbarum de Stavertune sicut pater meus eidem ecclesie concessit & dedit et rex Henricus karta sua confirmavit ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum in perpetuum concedo. Quare precor

f. 23v.

volo & precipio quod ecclesia predicta de Colum & monachi in ea deo servientes ecclesiam de Eadwardestuna terras, homines, decimationes, libertates teneant de me & heredibus meis libere & quiete honorifice sine omni mei vel meorum exactione sicut aliquis melius liberius quietius honorificentius unquam tenuit vel tenere elemosinam potest; duos etiam monachos quos abbas Faritius constituit pro anima avi mei Huberti in ecclesia de Eadwardestuna Walchelinus abbas Abendonie assignavit patri meo & heredibus suis in ecclesia de Colum perpetuo. His testibus. Comite Alberico, et Alberico filio suo. Willelmo de Ver. Hugone de Muntkanesy. Huberto de Muntkanesy, fratre meo. Johanne de Tresgoz. Osberto de Gladevan. Helya capellano. Roberto, capellano de Campos. Magistro Eadwardo de Eadwardestune. Willelmo clerico. Michaelę clerico. Reginaldo

capellano. Symone de Herlaue. Willelmo filio Hugonis. Moricio de Kertlinge. Rogero de Leyecestre. Radulfo marescallo. Roberto, Willelmo, Gocelino, famulis monachorum.

67. *Karta Rogeri de Munchanesy de donacione terre de Aisesfurd & de Wald.*

Venerabili patri Ricardo dei gratia Lundonensi episcopo & omnibus dominis & hominibus et amicis suis presentibus & futuris Rogerus de Muntkanesy & Matildis uxor sua salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse & dedisse & hac carta nostra confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum illam terram de Aissesforde & del Wald quam Willelmus filius Walteri de nobis tenuit perpetualiter habendam solutam & quietam & liberam ab omnibus consuetudinibus & serviitiis nobis pertinentibus, & hominum ipsius Willelmi & dominium illius terre omnino sine ullo retinaculo deo & prefate ecclesie in perpetuum concessimus et propria manu super altare sancte Marie de Colum posuimus concessione & petitione prefati Willelmi & Godive uxoris sue. Quare volumus ut ecclesia predicta terram illam & dominium illius & hominum hominis illius qui eam tenuit libere & quiete in omnibus habeat & possideat in perpetuum pro nostra salute & omnium nostrorum vivorum & defunctorum. His testibus. Rogero, filio & herede nostro. Hugone de Richingahale. Hugone de Wavile. Rikero, & Willelmo, fratre eius. Radulfo Archier. Ricardo Harold. Rogero filio Willelmi. Helya sacerdote, & Petro, fratre eius. Ricardo Hoche'. Pagano forestario, & Petro filio eius. Gaufrido pistore. Alano portario, et Sirico, famulis monachorum.

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68. *Karta Rogeri de Munchanesy de decimis de Stanstede & aliis rebus.*

Venerabili patri Ricardo Lundonensi episcopo et omnibus dominis & hominibus & amicis suis presentibus & futuris Rogerus de Muntkanesy salutem. Sciatis me concessisse & dedisse in perpetuam elemosinam deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum duas partes decimarum omnium rerum que debent decimari de dominio de Stanestede et de molendino & de pasnagio nemorum meorum & de esartis ita libere & quiete sicut elemosina esse debet. His testibus. Radulfo de Muntkanesy. Willelmo de Merleberia. Eadwardo Merch. Alewio. Helya, capellano de Colum. Pagano forestario. Roberto carpentario. Stanwino coco.

69. *Karta eiusdem de terra Fayreye in Stanstede scilicet de dimidia virgata.*

Rogerus de Muntkanesy omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis

presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & concessisse deo & beate Marie & monachis de Colum pro mea salute & omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum in perpetuam elemosinam terram Faireie in Stanstede, scilicet dimidiam virgatam, liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio preter unum denarium qui debet reddi ad werpeni, et similiter terram que fuit Willelmi Poidras liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio preter unum werpeni. Dedi etiam unum campum de meo dominio qui dicitur Bulnotesleia & rusticum qui in eo sedet pro xij denariis michi reddendis annuatim ad festum sancti Michaelis pro omni servitio. Preterea concedo & confirmo donationem patris mei Huberti, scilicet pratum de Kineburne quod pater meus Hubertus deo et sancte Marie & prefatis monachis de Colum in perpetuam elemosinam dedit, et similiter quinque acras terre quas Willelmus de Merleburia eis dedit concedo & confirmo in perpetuum. His testibus. Radulfo de Muntkanesy, et Hugone de Richingahale, dapifero. Willelmo de Merleburia. Alewio. Roberto carpentario. Gaufrido pistore. Stanwino coco. f. 24v.

70. *Carta Rogeri de Montekanesy de terra de Asseford & de Walde.*

Venerabili patri Ricardo dei gratia Lundonensi episcopo et omnibus dominis & hominibus & amicis suis presentibus & futuris Rogerus de Muntkanesy & Matildis uxor sua salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse & dedisse & hac carta nostra confirmasse in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum quandam terram de Aissesford & de Wald perpetualiter habendam solutam & quietam & liberam ab omnibus consuetudinibus & servitiis nobis pertinentibus quam Willelmus filius Walteri decani de nobis tenuit qui etiam quicquid ad illum pertinebat de predicta terra iam dicte ecclesie de Colum in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam concessit et propria manu nobiscum super altare sancte Marie de Colum optulit. Quare volumus ut ecclesia predicta terram illam libere & quiete habeat & possideat in perpetuum pro nostra salute et omnium nostrorum vivorum & defunctorum. His testibus. Rogero, filio & herede nostro. Hugone de Richingahale. Hugone de Wavile. Richero, & Willelmo, fratre eius. Ricardo Hoche'. Pagano forestario, & Petro filio eius. Radulfo Archier. Ricardo Harold. Rogero filio Willelmi. Helya sacerdote, & Petro, fratre eius. Gaufrido pistore. Alano portario, et Sirico, famulis monachorum, et multis aliis. *

71. *Karta Rogeri de Ver de tertia parte ecclesie de Waldingefeld cum viginti acris terre.*

Domino suo Ebrardo Norwicensi episcopo & omnibus sancte matris

* margin, *vide antea.*

- f. 25. ecclesie fidelibus Rogerus de Ver salutem. Notum sit vobis quod ego in quantum ad laicam pertinet personam dono & concedo in perpetuam elemosinam deo & beate Marie & monachis de Colum tertiam partem ecclesie de Waldingefeld cum xx acris terre et totam decimam de dominio meo et decimas hominum meorum et elemosinas que de vivis & defunctis proveniunt tali pacto ut ecclesia de Colum sacerdotem inveniat qui in tertiam partem anni prefate ecclesie de Waldingefeld deserviat. His testibus. Ricardo de Bello campo. Gaufrido de Ver. Roberto de Ver. Adwardo, sacerdote de Lauraham. Hugone, sacerdote de Waldingefeld. Alun. Alexandro. Alwardo. Teodbaldo. Clemente.

72. *Carta Huberti de Montekanesy de terra Frebearn in Stanstede.*

Sciant presentes & futuri quod ego Hubertus de Munchanesy dedi & concessi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus totam terram quam Friberean curthiller tenuit de me in Stanstede pro anima Rogeri filii mei & pro salute anime mee & uxoris mee Antigone et pro salute omnium parentum meorum vivorum & defunctorum in puram & perpetuam elemosinam ad luminare predictae ecclesie de Colum. Quare volo et precipio ut predicti monachi predictam terram habeant & teneant cum omnibus pertinentiis suis bene & in pace sine omni retinemento mei vel meorum heredum. His testibus. Alberico de Ver. Osberto de Gladefen. Roberto de Campes. Willelmo, dapifero comitis. Nicholao, & Johanne, capellanis comitis. Helya, & Henrico, servientibus prioris de Colum. Roberto ianitore. Johanne filio Roberti. et multis aliis.

73. *Karta Huberti de Montekanesy de quietaclamacione Ricardi filii Wulwardi et uxoris eius.*

Sciant presentes & futuri quod ego Hubertus de Munchanesy dedi & concessi & quietos clamavi Ricardum filium Wulwardi & uxorem eius & liberos eorum sine ullo retinemento mihi vel heredibus meis deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus pro salute anime mee & uxoris mee & antecessorum meorum & liberorum meorum vivorum & defunctorum, et pro hac donatione & concessione & quieta clamacione dedit mihi Reginaldus prior de Colum unam marcham argenti. Quare volo & precipio ut predicti monachi predictum Ricardum & uxorem eius & liberos eorum habeant & teneant bene & in pace sine omni exactione mihi vel heredibus meis pertinente et sine omni querela quam adversus eum habui ante istam donationem & quietam clamacionem. His testibus. Willelmo filio

Radulfi. Willelmo filio Fulconis. Ricardo de Gosfeld. Willelmo, f. 25v.
dapifero comitis. Reginaldo de Bosevile. Roberto, dapifero prioris.
Johanne, Helya, servientibus prioris. Eadmundo, serviente comitis,
et aliis multis.

74. *Karta Huberti de Muntchanesy de prato iuxta pontem de Aissesforde.*

Hubertus de Munchanesy omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis & universis ad quos hoc scriptum pervenerit salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse & concessisse & hac carta mea confirmasse deo & sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus unam acram prati quod iacet iuxta pontem de Aissesforde quam Ricardus Harold tenuit in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam pro salute anime mee & parentum meorum, et ut hec mea concessio firma permaneat sigilli mei attestazione communivi. His testibus. Comite Alberico. Alberico de Ver, filio eius. Stephano de Munchanesy. Roberto de Richingahale. Johanne le Manant. Osberto de Gladefen. Henrico de Codeham. Willelmo filio Fulconis. Willelmo de Colum, clerico, et multis aliis, tam clericis quam laicis.

75. *Karta Huberti de Muntchanesy de donatione patris sui scilicet de terris & decimis.*

Hubertus de Munchanesy omnibus amicis & hominibus suis Francis & Anglis presentibus & futuris salutem. Sciatis me concessisse & presenti karta mea confirmasse deo & ecclesie beate Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus omnes donationes patris mei in hominibus in terris in decimis et in omnibus aliis rebus sicut carte patris mei testantur in puram & perpetuam elemosinam pro anima patris mei et pro salute anime mee & omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum liberas & quietas ab omni seculari servitio mihi vel meis pertinente, scilicet terram nostram Asseford & del Wauld quam Willelmus filius Walteri tenuit, terram etiam Fairie scilicet dimidiam virgatam que reddit unum denarium ad werpeni et totam terram que fuit Willelmi Poidras que similiter reddit unum werpeni pro omni servitio, et unum campum qui dicitur Bulnoteleya & homines in supradictis terris manentes et dominium illorum hominum, duas etiam partes decimarum omnium que debent decimari de dominio de Stanstede & de molendino & de pasnagio nemorum meorum & de essartis. Preterea dono & concedo & hac mea carta confirmo deo & beate Marie & prefatis monachis de Colum pratum iuxta pontem de Assesford a parte orientali et croftam que iacet inter domum f. 26.

Ricardi Scillard & campum qui dicitur Westfeld quam Ricardus Harold de me tenuit liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio pro salute anime mee & Antigonie uxoris mee et omnium parentum meorum vivorum & defunctorum. Quare volo & precipio ut predicti monachi predictas terras & homines in eis manentes decimationes & omnia tenementa sicut in cartis patris mei & mea continetur habeant & possideant libere & quiete bene & in pace sicut libera elemosina dari debet. Et ut mea concessio & mea donatio firma permaneat sigilli mei testimonium huic carte apposui. His testibus. Henrico filio Reginaldi, et Rogero fratre eius. Osberto de Gladefen. Huberto filio Radulfi. Willelmo filio Fulconis, militibus. Roberto, & Radulfo, capellanis. Willelmo de Vaus. Toma filio Roberti. Roberto de Essexia. Roberto filio recluse. Helya, Vincentio, servientibus prioris. Petro de Haustede. Willelmo Trussehare, et multis aliis.

76. *Carta Radulfi filii Ade de tota terra de Mideltuna, tenemento Ernoldi clerici. cum pertinentiis.*

Radulfus filius Adam omnibus filiis sancte dei ecclesie salutem in Christo. Noveritis tam presentes quam futuri quia ego Radulfus filius Adam concessi et in liberam & puram & perpetuam elemosinam dedi deo & sancte matri ecclesie de Colum dedicate in honore beate & gloriose virginis Marie totam terram de Mideltuna quam Ernold clericus tenuit cum omnibus libertatibus & pertinentiis eidem terre pertinentibus & adiacentibus, in bosco & in prato, in pascuis, & in cunctis rebus; et hanc concessionem & donationem feci ego & Matildis uxor mea & Willelmus filius meus, & hanc eandem terram optulimus super altare beate & gloriose dei genetricis & virginis Marie in die nativitatis eiusdem proxime post reditum Henrici regis de expeditione de Gales. Et hoc feci pro salute anime mee & patris mei & matris mee & patrentum meorum et nominatim pro salute anime Radulfi filii mei. Hanc predictam terram, quam predictus Eilnold clericus tenuit de feudo comitis Albrici de Adam patre meo & postea Gillebertus filius Eilnold de me, teneat predicta ecclesia de Colum liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio & exactione preter unum wardepeni. Testibus. Comite Alberico. Symone de Cantelu. Fulcone dapifero. Ricardo de Essartis. Radulfo de Ver. Rogero de Belchamp, & Willelmo, fratre eius. Petro de Kertlinges. Ricardo filio Mauricii. Toma filio Roberti. Willelmo filio Hugonis. Roberto de Campes. Hugone filio Gaufridi. Willelmo de Goldingaham. Lamberd de Sudberia. Gefrido filio Willelmi. Alexandro filio Radulfi. Willelmo, clerico comitis. Willelmo, clerico de Pubemers. Eustachio filio Willelmi. Ricardo filio Willelmi. Alexandro filio Hugonis.

77. *Carta Radulfi filii Ade de ecclesia de Waldingefelde.*

Universis sancte matris ecclesie fidelibus presentibus & futuris Radulfus filius Ade salutem. Notum vobis facio me in presentia venerabilis patris nostri Willelmi Norewicensis episcopi quantum ad laicam spectat personam dedisse & concessisse in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam ecclesiam de Waldingefeld cum omnibus pertinentiis suis deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus, et preterea duas partes decime de meo dominio de omnibus rebus que decimari debent et duas acras terre prope ecclesiam de Waldingefeld ubi Hugo sacerdos mansionem suam habuit, pro mea salute & omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum. His testibus. Willelmo Norewicensi episcopo. Willelmo, & Rogero, archidiaconis Norewicensibus. Ogero vicecomite. Magistro Stangrim. Magistro Osberto. Magistro Randulfo Pulcrello, et Magistro Adwardo. Huberto, sacerdote de Eia. Bernardo capellano. Waltero de Mideltune. Pagano filio Ailwardi. Gilleberto Carbunel, & Gaufrido, & Nicholao, fratribus suis. Willelmo filio Roce de Abendoniam.

78. *Karta Radulfi filii Ade de duabus acris terre in Waldingefeld.*

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis tam futuris quam presentibus Radulfus filius Ade salutem. Notum vobis facio me dedisse & concessisse deo & sancte Marie & sancto Laurentio & ecclesie de Colum duas acras terre prope ecclesiam de Waldingefeld ubi Hugo sacerdos mansionem suam habuit in perpetuam elemosinam. His testibus. Helya capellano. Waltero de Mideltune. Magistro f. 27. Admundo. Ricardo, milite filio Willelmo. Gilleberto filio Radulfi. Petro forestario. Roberto, & Willelmo, & Hugone, famulis monachorum de Colum.

79. *Karta Radulfi filii Ade de ecclesia de Waldingefeld.*

Ego Radulfus filius Ade concessi & quantum laice pertinet persone in perpetuum dedi tertiam partem ecclesie de Waldingefeld cum pertinentiis ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & fratribus in ibi deo servientibus libere & quiete in omnibus, et duas partes decime de dominio meo de Waldingefeld in elemosina pro mea & omnium meorum salute. His testibus. Roberto, episcopo Lundonensi. Ailwardo archidiacono. Willelmo de Ver. Adeliza de Ver. Hamone, clerico, & Willelmo, presbitero de Stisted. Teodbaldo, presbitero de Feringes. Sampsona clerico, & Filippo, clerico episcopi.

80. *Karta Radulfi filii Ade de decimis de dominio suo de Waldingefeld.*

Universis sancte ecclesie fidelibus Radulfus filius Ade salutem. Notum sit vobis ego in perpetuam elemosinam dono & concedo deo & monachis ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum duas partes decime de meo dominio de Waldingefeld libere & quiete perpetualiter habendas. Preterea quantum ad laicam pertinet personam concedo deo & prefatis monachis ut cum ecclesia de Waldingefeld ab Hugone sacerdote qualicunque ratione vacaverit ipsi totam portionem quam antecessores mei in eadem ecclesia habuerunt cum omnibus pertinentiis in terris in decimis & ceteris beneficiis libere habeant & in perpetuum possideant pro mea & omnium meorum salute. His testibus. Roberto, Londonensi episcopo. Ailwardo archidiacono. Willelmo de Ver. Alyz de Ver. Hamone, clerico de Stistede. Willelmo sacerdote. Sampsona clerico. Filippo, clerico episcopi Londonensis.

81. *Karta Willelmi filii Radulfi de donatione patris sui.*

Gilleberto dei gratia Londonensi episcopo & Willelmo dei gratia Norewicensi episcopo et omnibus sancte ecclesie filiis Willelmus filius Radulfi in Christo salutem. Noverit universitas vestra quod ego Willelmus concedo & presenti karta mea confirmo omnes donationes quas Radulfus pater meus concessit & fecit ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus in terris, in decimis, in redditibus, & ceteris elemosinis, scilicet iiij solidatas terre apud Sudberiam & ecclesiam de Walingefeld cum omnibus pertinentiis & totam decimam de dominio de Walingefeld & duas acras terre prope ecclesiam ubi Hugo sacerdos mansionem habuit libere & quiete in perpetuum; preterea concedo & confirmo terram quam Gillebertus tenet de Mideltune & terram quam Ernaldus mercator tenet in Elfelmestune de feudo comitis Alberici sicut pater meus concessit & dedit salvo tantum servitio regis & comitis Alberici, scilicet ad scuagium ad xx solidos xx denarios & ad plus plus & ad minus minus sicuti quando evenerit. Hec vero omnia volo & concedo pro salute anime mee & patris mei & omnium parentum meorum quod predicti monachi de Colum teneant & possideant libere & quiete & pacifice in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam. His testibus. Fulcone dapifero. Ricardo de Sartis. Warino filio Ade. Gerardo de Hecham. Thuoldo filio Radulfi. Radulfo filio Petri. Ricardo filio Willelmi. Willelmo de Goldingham. Waltero de Mideltune. Willelmo, clerico de Pubemers. Roberto, filio recluse de Colum. Gilleberto clerico filio Radulfi. Helya, capellano de Colum Comitum, et Petro, capellano de Colum Willelmi de Kenney. Walchelino, capellano de Pubemers.

82. *Carta Gilleberti de Waldingefeld de ecclesia de Waldingefeld.*

Johanni dei gratia Norewicensi episcopo & universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis Gillebertus de Waldingefeld salutem. Universitati vestre notum facimus me dedisse & concessisse & hac mea karta confirmasse deo & sancte Marie & ecclesia de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus omne ius meum quod habui in ecclesia de Walingefeld quantum ad laicam personam pertinet cum omnibus suis pertinentiis & libertatibus in puram & perpetuam elemosinam pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum & liberorum meorum. Hanc autem donationem & concessionem feci consensu & assensu Willelmi filii & heredis mei & aliorum filiorum meorum. Quare volo & precipio ut predicti monachi predictam ecclesiam habeant teneant & possideant cum suis pertinentiis libere & in pace iuste & honorifice sicut aliqua persona eam melius vel liberius unquam tenuit vel tenere poterit, et ut hec mea donatio firma & inconcussa permaneat cartam meam hanc sigilli mei appositione & testium annotatione confirmavi. His testibus. Comite Alberico, & filio eius Alberico. Willelmo filio Fulconis, & Roberto, filio comitis Alberici. Roberto de Cantelu. Stephano de Topesfeld. Nicholao, capellano comitis, et Willelmo clerico, & Michaele clerico comitis. Roberto de Campis. Willelmo, Ricardo, Roberto, Rogero, Radulfo, Michaele, filiis Gilleberti de Waldingefeld. Roberto clerico, & Willelmo nepote suo. Alano de Patebroc, et multis aliis.

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83. *Carta Ricardi de Sartis de terra Hareng.*

Ricardus de Sartis dominis & hominibus suis Francis & Anglis presentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & concessisse in perpetuam elemosinam terram Harang quam Radulfus filius Roberti tenuit de me in Neilingeherst deo & beate Marie & monachis de Colum liberam & quietam inperpetuum ab omni servitio mihi vel meis pertinente, sed erga regem & comitem dominum meum se defendet pro x acris. His testibus. Adeliza, uxore mea. Willelmo filio Warini. Ricardo del Ho. Bartholomeo. Ernaldo de Topesfelde. Radulfo filio Ade. Willelmo, clerico comitis Alberici. Abel de Winepole, & Helya sacerdote, & Petro fratre eius. Alano portario. Hugone Pary. Gaufrido filio Gilleberti, & Stanardo.

84. *Karta eiusdem de aliis possessionibus ecclesie de Colum.*

Ricardus de Sartis dominis, amicis, & hominibus suis Francis & Anglis presentibus et futuris salutem. Sciatis universi me dedisse & concessisse & hac karta mea confirmasse in perpetuam elemosinam deo

& ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum terram Godelief de Elvelmestune nominatim ad luminare ecclesie liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio preter duos denarios qui debent reddi ad werpeni, & similiter terram quam Godwinus senex prepositus tenuit de me in villa de Pubemers, & decimam de molendino de Polheya, & terram Hareng quam Radulfus filius Roberti tenuit de me in Neilingaherst liberam & quietam ab omni seculari servitio mihi pertinente, sed erga regem & comitem dominum meum se defendet pro x acris. His testibus. Adelyza, uxore mea. Willelmo filio Warini. Ricardo del Ho. Bartholomeo. Stanardo. Radulfo filio Ade. Helya sacerdote, & Petro, fratre eius. Hugone Pary. Alano portario.

85. *Carta Ricardi de Sartis de decimis molendini de Polheia.*

f. 28v. Sciant universi fideles quod ego Ricardus de Essarz dedi in elemosina deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum terram Godelief de Elvelmestune nominatim ad luminare ecclesie libere & quiete in omnibus preter duos denarios qui debent reddi ad werpeni, et similiter terram quam tenuit Godwinus senex prepositus in villa de Pubemers proprie ad karitatem fratrum in die quo fecerint commemorationem parentum meorum. Et preterea dedi & concessi decimam de molendino de Polheya ad communem victum monachorum. Hec dedi & concessi in perpetuum deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum pro salute anime mee & pro anima Willelmi comitis de Warenne & pro salute omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum. His testibus. Adelyza uxore mea. Adam filio Gunteri. Urvoio, & Alberico filio eius. Willelmo filio Warini, & Petro filio eius.

86. *Karta Symonis de Bello campo de marcha quam dedit ecclesie de Colum de redditu molendini sui de Bello campo.*

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presens carta pervenerit Symon de Bello campo salutem in vero salutari. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse & concessisse & hac presenti carta confirmasse deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum in puram & perpetuam elemosinam pro salute anime mee & matris mee comitis Rohese & comitis Alberici avunculi mei & aliorum antecessorum & successorum meorum unam marcham argenti de redditu per annum in molendino meo de Bello campo reddendam ad iiij terminos, scilicet ad festum sancti Michaelis & ad festum sancti Andree & ad Pasca & ad festum sancti Johannis baptiste, ad quemlibet terminum xl denarios. Et si forte evenierit quod per paupertatem vel per aliquod aliud infortunium ille qui molendinum tenuerit vel illa in reddendo

censu suo aliquo modo defecerit quantum defuerit priori & monachis de Colum de redditu suo, scilicet de marca argenti per annum, volo ut habeant de Ricardo filio Willelmi medici de Estune, scilicet de terra Bainardi, & de eius heredibus inperpetuum. Hanc autem donationem feci deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum ad operiendam ecclesiam beate virginis Marie & postea ad alias officinas eiusdem ecclesie. Et sciendum est quod neque prior neque monachi f. 29. predicti de Colum possunt aliquid vendicare in molendino neque in redditu Ricardi filii Willelmi medici, scilicet de terra Bainardi, nisi tantum unam marcā argenti et omne residuum de redditibus & consuetudinibus molendini & predictæ terre Bainardi remanebit quietum domino & heredibus eius. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi de Colum hanc marcā argenti de redditu per annum quam eis dedi habeant & teneant bene & in pace honorifice libere & quiete ab omni seculari exactione sicut aliqua elemosina potest & debet melius & liberius dari & teneri. His testibus. Comite Alberico, & Alberico de Ver, filio eius, & Radulfo de Ver, Roberto de Ver, Willelmo filio Radulfi, David Loherengo, Gaufrido Rufo, Roberto de Campes, Rogero filio Roberti, militibus. Nicholao, Roberto, sacerdotibus. Willelmo de Colum, & Michaelē, clericis. Roberto de Richespalde. Roberto de Colum, & Helya. Roberto filio Theodori. Johanne filio Hay. Rogero filio Alexandri. Willelmo, & Johanne filio Walteri, clientibus, & multis aliis tam laicis quam clericis.

87. *Karta Willelmi de Burgate de x solidatis terre avi sui & v solidatis Willelmi patris sui.*

Reverendo patri & domino Willelmo dei gratia Norewicensi episcopo & omnibus sancte ecclesie fidelibus Willelmus de Burgate salutem. Notum fiat vobis Adhelelmum avum meum dedisse x solidatas terre & Willelmum patrem meum v solidatas pro salute anime sue deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum ubi corpora sepulta sunt. Quare ego concedo & hac carta mea confirmo deo & prefate ecclesie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus totam terram de Pelegrave ad feudum meum pertinentem et homines in ea manentes presentes & futuros, & totam terram illam de Randestune ad feudum meum pertinentem quam tenebat Eadricus fleubotomarius & homines in ea manentes presentes & futuros, et x acras terre de meo dominio in perpetuam elemosinam, libere & quiete ab omni seculari servitio excepto tantum modo servitio comitis domini mei ad scuagium quandocum evenerit ad marcā argenti predicta terra de Pelegrave vj denarios reddet & predicta terra de Randestune tres denarios reddet, nisi comes dominus meus id condonare voluerit, & hoc servitium per priorem de Colum & per

f. 29v. aliquem suorum recipiam, ita ut manum non mittam neque aliquis meorum super homines predictos vel super pecunias eorum in perpetuum. His testibus. Alberico comite. Willelmo de Ver. Gaufrido de Ver. Walchelino Maminot. Symone de Cantelu. Roberto de Cokefelde, & Adam fratre eius. Fulcone dapifero. Ricardo de Sartis. Radulfo filio Ade. Adam de Hosden. Rogero de Bello campo. Roberto filio Ailrici, & Symone filio eius. Stephano filio Ernaldi. Gaufrido Arsic. Georgio. Filippo de Gerardville, & multis aliis.

88. *Karta Henrici filii Reginaldi filii Godefridi de terra Pech in Nailingeherst.*

Henricus filius Reginaldi filii Godefridi universis sancte matris ecclesie fidelibus presentibus & futuris salutem in domino. Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse & hac carta mea confirmasse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus totam terram que fuit Pech in Nailingeherst in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam, quietam in omnibus ab omni servitio & consuetudine seculari mihi & heredibus meis pertinente, sed defendet se ad servitium regis sicut una alia virgata eiusdem ville, & Roberto de Wateville vel heredibus suis reddet iij solidos per annum pro omni servitio & consuetudine, et quando scutagium evenerit dabit predicta terra ad xx solidos xij denarios & ad plus plus & ad minus minus. Dono etiam eis & confirmo pro anima parisi mei qui terram Pech eis antea dederat et pro anima matris mee & Reginaldi filii mei & Walteri fratris mei & omnium parentum meorum vivorum & mortuorum redditum duorum solidorum de tenemento quod Rogerus de Alwude de me tenet. Quare volo & precipio ut predicti monachi habeant & possideant predictum redditum & terram prenominatam libere & quiete sicut predictum est ab omni servitio & consuetudine mihi & heredibus meis pertinente. His testibus. Comite Alberico. Willelmo de Ver, fratre suo. Alberico de Ver, & Roberto, filiis comitis Alberici. Symone de Cauntelu, & Radulfo, fratre suo. Hereberto de Mercheshale. Roberto de Valibus. Willelmo filio Fulconis. Reginaldo Harsiche. Roberto de Caumpes, & Roberto filio meo. Radulfo, & Simone, fratribus meis, et multis aliis.

89. *Karta Johannis Trezgoz de ecclesia de Mezcinges cum omnibus pertinentiis suis.*

f. 30. Sciant tam presentes quam futuri quod ego Johannes Trezgoz dedi & concessi ecclesie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus ecclesiam

de Mezcinges cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in puram & perpetuam elemosinam pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum. Ita tamen quod Michael clericus meus tenebit eam de ecclesia de Colum & monachis ibi commorantibus pro centum solidis annuatim inde reddendis ad iiij terminos, ad festum sancti Michaelis xxv solidis, ad Natale xxv solidis, ad Pasca xxv solidis, ad festum sancti Johannis xxv solidis. Et ne in posterum hec conventio irrita habeatur illam sigilli mei corroboracione confirmo, & idem Michael clericus iuravit coram me & coram priore & conventu de Colum quod ipse fidem & legalitatem portabit ecclesie & monachis de Colum & ipse non queret artem vel ingenium vita sua unde ecclesia & monachi de Colum sint elongati de ecclesia de Mezcinges post dies suos. His testibus. Comite Alberico, & Alberico filio eius. Symone de Cauntelu. Rogero de Bello campo. Stephano de Muntchanesy. Petro de Kertlinges. Stephano filio Ernaldi. Radulfo de Bello campo. Roberto de Campo. Nicholao capellano. Helya presbitero. Willelmo clerico, et multis aliis.

90. *Karta Willelmi de Bures de decimis domini sui de Bures.*

Universis ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit Willelmus de Bures salutem in vero salutari. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse & concessisse & hac karta mea confirmasse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus duas partes decime totius domini mei in Bures pro salute anime mee & parentum meorum liberas & quietas ab omni seculari servitio & exactione sicut decet puram & liberam elemosinam esse, quam decimam Ricardus pater meus dederat et concesserat prefate ecclesie & monachis de Colum. Et ut hec donatio mea firma in perpetuum perseveret presentis sigilli mei attestacione corroboravi. His testibus. Hugone sacerdote. Alano decano. Silvestro de Bures, & Willelmo filio Silvestri. Radulfo de Normannia, & Roberto filio eius. Roberto clerico. Roberto filio Rogeri, & Magistro Roberto, & multis aliis.

91. *Karta Rogeri filii Gunteri de decem solidatis terre in Haingeham.*

Universitati fidelium Rogerus filius Gunteri veram in Christo salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse & karta mea confirmasse in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam deo & beate Marie & monachis de Colum, pro salute anime mee & omnium meorum vivorum & defunctorum, x solidatas terre apud Haingeham, scilicet terram Willelmi figuli pro iiij solidis & terram Brichtrici pro xvij denariis & decem acras in Racheia pro iiij solidis & vj denariis, libere & quiete

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ab omni seculari servitio inperpetuum. His testibus. Ailwardo, sacerdote de Colum. Adelyza, uxore mea. Adam, fratre meo. Pagano milite. Fulcone clerico. Pagano forestario. Radulfo portario, & pluribus aliis.

92. *Karta Gaufridi filii Walteri de tenemento quod Edmarus filius Hardgar de se tenuit.*

Omnibus sancte ecclesie filiis Gaufridus filius Walteri salutem. Sciatis universi me donasse & concessisse & hac karta presenti confirmasse, pro salute anime mee & antecessorum meorum & uxoris mee, deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus totum tenementum quod Edmarus filius Hardgar de me tenet in Roinges faciendo illis servitium quod mihi faciebat. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod illud tenementum habeant liberum solutum & quietum in liberam elemosinam ab omni seculari servitio & exactione. His testibus. Henrico de Cramavilla. Willelmo filio meo. Cresprio nepote meo. Johanne sacerdote. Alexandro clerico. Ricardo filio Adeve. Eustachio filio Godardi. Ricardo de Colum, et pluribus aliis.

93. *Karta Willelmi filii Gaufridi de terra de Tilleberia & aliis rebus.*

Notum sit tam presentibus quam futuris quod ego Willelmus filius Gaufridi concedo & hac karta mea confirmo in perpetuam elemosinam deo & beate Marie & monachis de Colum terram meam de Tillebiria quam Adhelelmus tenet liberam & quietam ab omni servitio ad me pertinente. Quare volo quod predicti monachi habeant predictam terram plene & libere & humagium hominis qui ipsam tenuerit & servitium eius sine omni retinaculo. His testibus. Comite Alberico. Rogero de Bello campo. Nicholao capellano. Willelmo clerico. Roberto de Campis. Roberto, & Nigello, servientibus monachorum.

94. *Karta Roberti filii Humfridi de tribus acris.*

f. 31. Robertus filius Humfridi omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis, clericis & laycis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & concessisse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum tres acras lucrabiles in manerio meo de Colum, liberas ab omni consuetudine & etiam regali de me & meis heredibus tenendas inperpetuum, & confirmasse donationem Roberti filii Walteri de una acra prati, pro anima domini comitis Eustachii filii Regis Stephani & pro mea omniumque meorum salute. His testibus. Ailwardo presbitero. Gaufrido capellano. Willelmo clerico. Adam filio Gunteri. Waltero filio Alani. Rogero de

Tuzseinz. Roberto camerario. Ricardo Traci. Radulfo de Nerforde. Waltero filio Gaufridi.

95. *Karta Ernaldi Anglici de prato suo sub Brithrikeswude.*

Roberto dei gratia Lundonensi episcopo & omnibus sancte ecclesie fidelibus Ernaldus Anglicus salutem. Notum sit vobis me dedisse & concessisse in liberam & perpetuam elemosynam pratum meum sub Brithrikeswude in Theia & unum campum qui dicitur la Duna apud Brige deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum ibi deo servientibus pro salute anime mee & pro salute omnium parentum meorum vivorum & defunctorum. His testibus. Roberto Lundonensi episcopo. Ailwardo archidiacono. Fabiano sacerdote. Roberto capellano. Bezone de Bolonya. Willelmo de Theya. Roberto Nigro, & multis aliis.

96. *Carta Willelmi filii Hottonis de redditu Radulfi presbyteri.*

Willelmus filius Hottonis concessit & dedit inperpetuum ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis eiusdem loci redditum Radulfi presbyteri j.vj decim denarios & Sywardi j.xx denarios pro redemptione anime sue & omnium parentum suorum & Maxime uxoris sue. Ville coram his testibus. Eadmundo decano. Radulfo capellano. Jordano Baard. Ricardo Morello. Hugone. Pagano forestario. Teodbaldo clerico.

97. *Karta Willelmi Vicecomitis Norewici de quinque acris.*

Willelmus Vicecomes Norewici omnibus hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglicis salutem. Notum sit vobis me concessisse & dedisse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus v acras lucrabiles in mea villa de Colum in perpetua elemosyna libere & quiete ab omni seculari servitio et unam acram de prato, quam pater meus dedit predictae ecclesie inperpetuum, confirmasse. His testibus. Ailwardo sacerdote. Pagano, & Willelmo filiis eius. Waltero, decano de Mideltun. Helya sacerdote. Ailmero sacerdote. Willelmo filio Rocelyn. Alexandro filio Walteri. Warino camerario. Teodbaldo de la Hehole. Hugone de Reppes.

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98. *Karta Willelmi Walensis de redditu mesuagii sui de Plesseto.*

Sciant presentes & futuri quod ego Willelmus Walensis dedi & concessi & presenti karta mea confirmavi deo & ecclesie beate Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus redditum mesagii mei de

Plasseto quod Willelmus Bonior tenuit de me, scilicet iiij denarios ad duos terminos reddendos, ad Pasca duos et ad festum sancti Michaelis duos, & predictus Willelmus Bonior & heredes sui tenebunt predictum mesagium de ecclesia de Colum per predictum servitium iiij denariorum ad prefatos terminos apud Colum solvendorum pro omni servitio ad jam dictos monachos pertinente salvo servitio domini de Plasseto. Et ut hec mea donatio firma permaneat & stabilis presentem kartam sigilli mei testimonio communivi. Hiis testibus. Roberto, Radulfo capellanis. Roberto filio recluse. Ricardo de Kingestune. Helya, Vincentio, Waltero, servientibus prioris. Eadmundo, Willelmo filio Petri, servientibus comitis Alberici, et multis aliis.

99. *Karta Hugonis filii Gaufridi de redditu v solidorum.*

Notum sit tam presentibus quam futuris quod ego Hugo filius Gaufridi dono & hac karta mea concessione heredum meorum confirmo deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus redditus v solidorum quos Radulfus de Berners debet mihi de terra de Bernestune quos Albericus comes dedit mihi, quos volo quod habeant & possideant libere & quiete sine omni seculari servitio. Preterea dono eis & concedo & concessione heredum meorum hac karta mea confirmo terram quam Adam del Hac tenet de feudo meo in Bernestune & servitium illius quantum ad me pertinet sine omni retinaculo & homagium hominis terre illius & heredum suorum, ita quod ego nec heredes mei mittemus manum in hominem terre illius vel in katalla eius aliqua occasione inperpetuum. Reddet autem servitium regis per manus heredum meorum quantum dimidia virgata de villa de Roinges. Insuper duas solidatas terre in villa de Roynges quas Hugo Claver de me tenet ita solutas & quietas sicut de terra Ade prescriptum est. Reddet autem servitium regis quantum ad tantum terre pertinet in eadem villa de Roynges. Habebunt autem homines qui de monachis tenent libertatem in planis, in pratis, in pascuis, in nemoribus, sicut habere solebant quando mei homines fuerunt. Preterea concedo eis ecclesiam de Roynges cum omnibus pertinentiis suis in terris, in decimis, & aliis rebus, quantum ad me pertinet, & iiij acras terre lucrabiles. Hiis testibus. Comite Alberico, & Alberico filio suo. Symone de Cauntelu, & Radulfo fratre suo. Hugone de Hosdene. Radulfo. Johanne Tresgod. Alano decano. Helya presbytero. Nicholao presbytero. Nigello. Rodberto. Ricardo Hoch'. Willelmo preposito. & multis aliis.

100. *Karta Hugonis filii Gaufridi de ecclesia de Roynges.*

Venerabili patri suo Gilleberto dei gratia Lundoniensi episcopo

Hugo filius Gaufridi salutem. Noscat paternitas vestra me reddidisse ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus & hac karta mea confirmasse in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam ecclesiam de Roynges cum omnibus pertinentiis quam ab eis iniuste extorseram. Modo autem facti penitens iiij acras terre lucrabiles in recompensationem prefate ecclesie de Colum pro salute anime mee in liberam & perpetuam elemosinam dono. Qua propter paternitatem vestram exoptulo quatinus ipsam ecclesiam de Roynges predictae ecclesie & monachis de Colum auctoritate vestra confirmetis, et quod vestri officii est pro amore dei faciatis. Valete.

101. *Karta Aitropii filii Hugonis filii Gaufridi de redditibus quinque solidorum.*

Sciant presentes & futuri quod ego Aitropius, filius & heres Hugonis filii Gaufridi, concedo & in perpetuam elemosinam hac karta mea confirmo deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibi deo servientibus donationem quam fecit pater meus Hugo predictae ecclesie, scilicet redditus v solidorum quos Radulfus de Berners debet de terra de Bernestuna solutos & quietos ab omni seculari servitio, preterea terram Ade del Hac quam tenet in Bernestuna & servitium illius quantum ad me pertinet sine omni retinaculo & homagium illius & heredum suorum ita quod ego nec heredes mei mittemus manum in homines terre illius vel in katalla eorum ulla occasione inperpetuum. Reddet autem servitium regis per manum meam quantum dimidia virgata de Roynges. Preterea etiam duas solidatas terre quam Hugo Claviger tenet in villa de Roynges solutam & quietam sicut supra scriptum est de terra Ade, & reddet servitium regis quantum ad tantum terre pertinet in eadem villa. Habebunt autem homines monachorum libertatem in planis, in pratis, in pascuis, in nemoribus, sicut habebant temporibus patris mei. Insuper ecclesiam de Roynges & ecclesie patronatum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis quantum ad me pertinet in terris, in decimis, & aliis rebus, et iiij acras terre lucrabiles sicut karta patris testatur. His testibus. Comite Alberico. Alberico filio eius. Symone de Cauntelu. Radulfo fratre suo. Hugone de Hosden. Johanne Tresgod. Alano decano. Helya presbytero. Nicholao presbytero. Willelmo preposito. Ricardo Hoch'. Roberto. Nigello.

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102. *Karta Roberti filii Walteri de donatione Salomonis & Andree.*

Robertus filius Walteri omnibus hominibus & amicis Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis universi me dedisse Salomonem & Andream

& omne ius quod in eis habui concessisse & quietumclamasse deo & sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus inperpetuum. Et pro hac donatione & karte mee confirmatione dedit mihi prior de Colum xx solidos. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi de Colum habeant & teneant predictos homines & omnem eorum successionem libere & quiete ab omni seculari servitio & exactione. Hiis testibus. Comite Alberico, & Alberico filio eius. Ricardo filio Baldewini. Roberto de Caumpes. Willelmo de Bello campo. Willelmo clerico. Nicholao capellano. Michaelae clerico. Willelmo filio Walteri. Gilleberto de Pleytforde. Waltero de Cruppings. Teodbaldo de Feringes. Roberto filio Matildis, et Lamberto de Theya, & multis aliis.

103. *Karta Roberti de Quenci de donatione Henrici filii Petri.*

- f. 33. Robertus de Quenci omnibus hominibus suis Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis universi me dedisse Henricum filium Petri & omne ius quod in eo habui concessisse & quietumclamasse deo & sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus inperpetuum. Et pro hac donatione & karte confirmatione dedit michi Reginaldus prior de Colum v marcas argenti. Quare volo & firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi de Colum habeant & teneant predictum Henricum & omnem successionem eius libere & quiete ab omni seculari servitio & exactione. Hiis testibus. Alberico de Veer. Roberto de Cantelu. Henrico filio Reginaldi. Willelmo, clerico comitis de Colum. Nicholao capellano, & Radulfo capellano. Michaelae, clerico comitis. Roberto, Helya, Henrico, servientibus prioris, & multis aliis.

104.

[R]icardus dei gratia Lundoniensis episcopus omnibus sancte matris ecclesie filiis per episcopatum Lundoniensem constitutis eternam in domino salutem. Ad hoc precipue pastoralis officii curam suscepisse nos credimus ut iura subditorum quibus nunc¹ gaudent illibata servantes ingruentibus adversis manum eis auxilii porrigamus & eorum negotia quantum valemus paterno procuremus affectu. Alioquin non pastoris sed mercennarii nomen & opus in se congerit qui crediti sibi gregis curam vel negligenter tractat vel lucri temporalis obtentu dispensat. Cum autem omnibus nobis in Christo subiectis debitores simus, hiis tamen fortius teneri nos constat qui sancte religionis habitum suscipientes qui mundum cum suis actibus & pompis² exuentes domino

¹ non (original charter).

² pompis et actibus (*ibid.*).

seipso holocaustum offerre concedunt. Ea propter karissimorum in Christo filiorum prioris & monachorum de Colum petitionibus promptum assensum adhibentes predecessorum nostrorum sancte recordationis Roberti & Ricardi Londoniensium episcoporum vestigiis inherentes eisdem monachis ecclesiasticas possessiones quas in diocesi nostra largitione fidelium adepti sunt confirmare & sigilli nostri appositione roborare curavimus. Et ne maligna quorumlibet figmenta tractu temporis veritatis filiis sue nequitiæ laqueos tendant, has propriis vocabulis sicut in donatorum cartis continentur exprimere dignum duximus. Ecclesiam scilicet sancti Andree de Colum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis & ecclesias de Duvrecurt & de Bello campo cum omnibus pertinentiis suis ex dono Alberici de Ver. Predictarum vero¹ trium ecclesiarum fructus & obventiones prefatis monachis in usus proprios convertere concedimus, ita sane quod in qualibet vicarius ab ipsis monachis electus & episcopo Londoniensi presentatus xl solidos ad minus de bonis ecclesie cui ministraverit percipiat dum idoneus & fidelis extiterit. Confirmavimus etiam eisdem monachis ecclesias subscriptas de quibus annuas² pensiones percipere consueverunt, scilicet ecclesiam de Colun Miblan & ecclesiam de Roinges Grimaldi cum pertinentiis suis ex dono³ comitis Albyrici & medietatem ville de Colun Miblan & dimidium molendinum & centum solidatos redditus in molendinis & ceteris redditibus, & in Colecestre duos solidos de terra Thome clerici sicut carte eius quas habent testantur. Confirmavimus etiam sepedictis monachis quicquid habent ex dono Rogeri de Montechanesi in terris & decimis, & similiter quicquid habent ex dono Ricardi de Sartis⁴ sicut carte eorundem testantur. Item ex dono Alberici de Ver decimam pullorum de parco de Colun & molendinum de Coleford & duas partes decimarum de dominio de Hengeham & de vinea & de omnibus que debent decimari. Item ex dono ipsius A[lberici] duas partes omnium decimarum provenientium de dominio de Roinges Willelmi filii Gaufridi, et similiter totam decimam de dominio Roinges Grimaldi; et duas partes omnium decimarum Huberti Dispensatoris in Trageleia.⁵ Ex dono Simonis de Bello campo unam marcatam redditus in molendino de Bello campo. Ex dono Henrici filii Reginaldi duos solidatos redditus. Socam etiam de feudo de Clara quam Ritardus de Bello campo dedit ecclesie de Colun & carta sua confirmavit & Stephanus filius eius post ipsum. Et omnes alias decimas

f. 33v.

¹ *autem* (original charter).² *annuas et antiquas* (ibid.).³ after *ex dono*—*predicti A. ecclesiam de Mescing cum pertinentiis suis. Ex dono* (ibid.).⁴ *Essartis* (ibid.).⁵ *Taggleia* (ibid.).

& redditus qui sibi ex largitione donatorum suorum conferuntur et per predictos predecessores nostros episcopos confirmantur sepefatis monachis & ecclesie Colun confirmamus. His testibus. Petro, archidiacono Lundonie. Magistro Alardo, Ricardo de Windelesore, canonicis. Rogero, Alano, Berengario, capellanis. Willelmo de Hely. Magistro Alexandro. Radulfo de sancto Paulo. Johanne de Waltham. Willelmo de Helfeld.¹ Hugone de Neutone. Ricardo, qui hoc scripsit, & multis aliis.

f. 34. 105.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Eutropius filius Hugonis concedo in puram & perpetuam elemosinam & hac karta mea confirmo deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus omnes donationes quas pater meus fecit predictae ecclesie, scilicet ecclesiam de Roinges & ecclesie patronatum cum omnibus pertinentiis suis et iij acras terre lucrabiles in villa de Roinges quas pater meus dedit predictae ecclesie & redditus v solidorum quos Warinus Triket debet de terra quam tenet in Bernestone solutos & quietos ab omni seculari servitio, preterea terram quam Adam del Hac tenuit in Bernestone, et humagium & servitium hominum terre illius sine omni retinaculo ita quod nec ego nec heredes mei mittemus manum in homines terre illius vel in catalla eorum ulla occasione in perpetuum, preterea terram quam Hugo Claviger tenuit in villa de Roinges, solutam & quietam sicut superdictum est de terra Ade del Hac, istos predictos redditus & predictas terras de quibus exegi servitium concedo & confirmo in puram & perpetuam elemosinam libere & quiete ab omni seculari servitio & exactione excepto quod quando dominus rex ponit scutagium in terra dabunt monachi ad xx solidos xvj denarios pro omni servitio & ad plus plus & ad minus minus. Habebunt homines monachorum libertatem in planis, in pascuis, in pratis, in nemoribus, sicut habebant temporibus patris mei. Hiis testibus.

106.

Aitropius filius Hugonis omnibus hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglis salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & hac carta mea confirmasse deo & ecclesie sancte Marie de Colum & monachis ibidem deo servientibus unum mesuagium longitudinis xij perticarum & latitudinis vij in Roinges in orientali parte mesuagii Gileberti de Baalun in campo qui vocatur Sicagre tenendum de me & heredibus meis in perpetuum libere

¹ *Hedfeld* (original charter).

& quiete reddendo mihi & heredibus meis annuatim v denarios, scilicet ij denarios & obolum ad Pasca & ij denarios & obolum ad festum sancti Michaelis pro omni servitio & omni seculari exactione. Hoc autem prenomiatum mesuagium ego & heredes mei predictis monachis warantizabimus, & pro anima mea & antecessorum meorum contra dominum regem & omnes alios homines & feminas acquietabimus. Pro hac autem concessione & carte mee confirmatione dederunt mihi prior & monachi xij solidos de gersuma. Hiis testibus. Hamone filio Hugonis.

107.

f. 34v.

Albericus de Ver, comes Oxonie, omnibus hominibus suis & amicis Francis & Anglis presentibus & futuris, salutem. Sciatis omnes me dedisse & concessisse & hac presenti carta mea confirmasse deo & sancte Marie & monachis de Colum hos redditus & has terras in Bello campo, scilicet, duodecim denarios redditus quos Gilbertus Peche mihi debuit de terra que fuit Warini Elbici & viginti octo denarios redditus quos Rogerus prepositus de Bello campo mihi debuit de sex acris terre quas tenuit de me, quarum quatuor iacent in Godrichescroft & due iuxta domum suam, et totam terram quam Hugo forestarius tenuit de me et totam terram quam Adam tenuit pelliparus de me, et totam terram quam Stephanus sub nemore tenuit de me & totam terram quam Wimer tenuit de me & totam terram quam Ricardus Fulk tenuit de me & totam terram quam Edwardus tenuit de me & totam terram quam Radulfus de Hineburt tenuit de me in puram & perpetuam elemosinam in excambium molendini de Hengeham quod Warinus molendinarius tenuit de monachis de Colum cum terra que ad molendinum pertinet. Et preterea dedi & concessi predictis monachis de Colum duodecim solidos & sex denarios redditus in Bello campo de Willelmo Avis cum tenemento suo & quinque solidos redditus de Pagano filio Radulfi de Barle cum tenemento suo, et in villa de Colum totam terram quam Willelmus Curt tenuit usque ad ripariam & totam terram quam Willelmus filius Ade tenuit pro quatuor denariis & terram quam Pikot tenuit pro duobus denariis in eadem villa de Colum in excambium molendini antedicti comitis Alberici cum terra que pertinet ad molendinum, et in totam terram quam Radulfus filius Andree tenuit de me pro decem & octo denariis, et terram quam tenet in campo Willelmi filii Petri pro sex denariis in excambium duorum solidorum redditus quos habebant in Colecestria ex domo Vivi Iudei, & totum pratum quod Robertus de Slate tenuit iuxta pratum monachorum in excambium terre Bainardi & unius acre terre

f. 35.

& unius rode quam Walterus filius Torstani tenuit quam cepi in parcum meum de Colum. Quare volo et firmiter precipio quod predicti monachi de Colum predictas terras & redditus predictos cum omnibus pertinentiis suis sine ullo retenimento habeant & teneant de me & heredibus meis libere & quiete ab omni exactione & seculari servicio sicut puram & perpetuam elemosinam. Et ego & heredes mei warantizabimus predictis monachis terras & redditus contra omnes homines & omnes feminas. Hiis testibus. Roberto de Cantelu. Johanne Manant. Willelmo filio Fulconis. Radulfo de Bello campo. Radulfo de Hosdenc. Roberto Bloi. Galfrido Grosso. Huberto Manant. Willelmo Maudut. Nicholao capellano. Willelmo clerico. Roberto filio recluse, et Michaelae clerico, et multis aliis.

ABSTRACTS AND NOTES.

1. A.D. 1111.

Headed 'First foundation of the church of Colne' (not rubricated). This is a confirmation by Henry I to Abingdon Abbey and Colne Priory of the gifts made by Aubrey de Vere, his wife Beatrice, and their sons. The gifts are as follows:—

At Earls Colne, the church of St. Andrew, the land of Ranulph the priest, 120ac. of demesne-land, the green beyond the river, a fish-stew, the land Serlo held, two woods called Dodepollesho¹ and Nether² Wood, 10s. from the land of Goode, 5s. from the land of Edwin, 20ac. of demesne in exchange for the land of Blakeman, and one man with 5ac., also the lands of Almar Long and Wulfin the forester, a mill, and barns.

At Dovercourt, the church with 30ac.

From the manors of Castle Hedingham, Belchamp Walter, Lavenham, Aldham (Suff.), Dovercourt, Gt. Bentley, and Beauchamp Roding, two-thirds of the tithe from the demesne, and one man with 5ac.

At Wold and Wadenhoe (both in Northants.), half the tithe, and one man with 5ac.

At Sible Hedingham, two mills, and a third of the tithe of Ranulph Mengui.

From the land of Aldhelm de Burgate (i.e. Palgrave and Thrandeston in Suffolk) 10s.

At White Colne, half the tithe.

At Scaldwell (Northants.), 40s. of land.

The churches of Castle Camps (Cams.), Gt. Bentley, and Belchamp Walter.

Also, apparently at Earls Colne, the wood of Littlehey with 20ac.

Besides confirming these gifts, the king grants to the monks freedom from tolls, customs, and passage-dues throughout England.

¹ A Colne Priory rental, c. 1385, mentions Dodepollyshoo near the north-west border of the parish.

² Also called North-wood.

This charter, issued at Reading, is witnessed by Robert Bloett, bishop of Lincoln 1094-1123, John de Bayeux¹, the King's chaplain, Ranulph the chancellor, Ebrard² and Walter, archdeacons, William Peverel of Nottingham, and Hugh³ de Boclande.

The first eleven lines now on the verso of folio 1. were originally written on folio 2; the scribe appears to have realised that there was not room to complete the charter on that page so he has expunged these lines and started again on the preceding page, and has carried the last lines of the charter on to folio 2. There faint traces of the original writing can still be seen. These two folios are not part of the original chartulary, but a fifteenth-century addition. The charter they contain tallies fairly closely with the version preserved in the Chronicles of Abingdon Abbey.

2. 1111.

Confirmation by Henry I to the church of Colne of the gifts of Aubrey de Vere. This is apparently the king's charter to Colne Priory, the preceding one being his companion-charter to Abingdon Abbey. The grants confirmed are identical with those in no. 1, with the following additions: —

At Bures, all the tithe of Richard⁴ son of Adeline and of Gilbert his neighbour, except the priest's portion.

At Gt. Canfield, one third of the tithe of Alured Sheriff, and two thirds of the tithe of Ralph.

At Sible Hedingham, one third of the tithe of Robert Balcus, Guihumar⁵, and William Grosvassal.

The witnesses include Robert, bishop of Lincoln, John de Bayeux, William Peverel and Hugh de Boclande of the preceding charter,

¹ *Johannes Baiocensis, clericus nobilis et Regis consanguineus*. He was a natural son of Odo, bishop of Bayeux.

² Everard de Montgomery, archdeacon of Salisbury, and later bishop of Norwich (1121-1150), and Walter, archdeacon of London, *Early Charters of St. Paul's*, no. 63.

³ A well known minister of Henry I. By a faulty extension of Bocl' the scribe has inserted his name as Hugh de Boteler. In no. 3, as in *Cartae Antiquae*, 306, the mandate is addressed to him as if he were the sheriff.

⁴ Richard son of Adeline, of Bures, witnessed a Colchester charter in 1137, *Colchester Chartulary*, p. 157.

⁵ Guiomar is a Breton name. *Rotuli de dominabus*, p. 83, note.

together with Gilbert the chaplain, Geoffrey de Dina, Hamo dapifer, and Ranulph¹ Meschin.

3. 1100-1107.

Confirmation by Henry I to Abingdon Abbey of the church of Kensington and two hides of 240ac., which Aubrey de Vere gave the monks for the soul of his son Geoffrey.

This charter, issued at Cornbury (Oxon.), is addressed to Maurice, bishop of London (1086-1107), Gilbert Crispin, abbot of Westminster (1085-1117), and Hugh de Boclande.

Faritius was abbot of Abingdon 1100-1117.

Both this charter and no. 1 are transcribed in *The Chronicles of Abingdon Abbey* (Rolls Series).

The church of Kensington was transferred to Colne Priory in 1148, but was recovered by Abingdon Abbey in 1311.

4. Before 1148.

Confirmation by Stephen to Abingdon Abbey of the church and land at Kensington, granted to the monks by Aubrey de Vere and confirmed by Henry I.

This charter is issued at London and witnessed by Robert de Vere, for whom see *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, p. 326.

5. c. 1150.

Confirmation by Stephen to Colne Priory of 100 shillingsworth of land in Ickleton (Cambs.) granted to the monks by the countess Euphemia on her deathbed. The charter of the countess here confirmed is no. 56. Euphemia de Cantelupe seems to have been the second wife of Earl Aubrey.

This charter issued at Woodstock is addressed to William, earl of Warenne, a natural son of the king. Matilda and Eustace, for whose souls the gift was made, were probably both dead by this time, see *The Foundation Book of Walden Abbey*, chap. xi.

There is a note on Ickleton in *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, p. 141; it had been granted by Stephen to Geoffrey de Mandeville in 1141.

¹ Ranulph de Briquesart, also styled Meschin, nephew of Hugh d'Avranches, earl of Chester. Hugh's son and heir was drowned when the White Ship foundered, and Ranulph thus became earl of Chester in 1120.

6. c. 1148.

Confirmation by Stephen of the grant by Adam, son of Warin, to Colne Priory of his manor at Earls Colne, by the river.

This charter is issued at Norwich, and is witnessed by Robert de Vere and Richard de Canville.

Adam, son of Warin, is the father of Ralph, son of Adam, who figures so frequently in this chartulary, and from whom the family of Fitz-Ralph of Pebmarsh was descended.

The exact nature of this grant cannot be ascertained as the important word is almost entirely lost through a fault in the parchment. It begins with *d* and ends in *o*, and is a neuter noun; about five letters are missing; *dnio suo* i.e. *dominio suo* is the most probable reading.

7. Before 1148.

Mandate of Stephen to his sheriffs and servants throughout all England that the abbot and monks of Abingdon and the men of their household are free of all tolls, customs, and passage-dues throughout the country. Anyone infringing this order is liable to a penalty of £10.

Witnessed at Colne by William Martel.

The date of this mandate is probably earlier than 1148. Although it is issued at Colne the monks are still styled the monks of Abingdon. William Martel, Stephen's minister and faithful adherent, was taken prisoner with the king in 1143.

8. 1154-1158.

An identical mandate of Henry II, but including the monks of Colne Priory.

Witnessed at Colchester by Warin Fitz-Gerold, the chamberlain.

Warin Fitz-Gerold died in 1158.

9. 1114-1122.

Confirmation by Ralph d'Escures, archbishop of Canterbury, to the monks of Colne Priory of their various possessions. In this long charter the archbishop describes how the priory has come into being through a grant to the monks of Abingdon of the church of Earls Colne by Aubrey de Vere, and through their desire to serve God there and to raise a suitable habitation for the monks officiating in that church. The archbishop invites anyone to assist the monks at Colne, and assures them of a share in the benefits and prayers of that house.

The original charter, with fragment of seal attached, is extant, and

is now deposited amongst the Probert MSS. at the Chelmsford Record Office. The transcript is a faithful copy of the original but makes one small addition.

The grants confirmed are as follows:—

At Earls Colne, the church of St. Andrew, the land of Ranulph the priest, 120ac. of the demesne, the green beyond the river with the fish-stew, the land which Serlo held, two woods called Dodepolesho and North Wood, the wood of Little-hey with 20ac., 10s. rent from the land of Gode, 5s. rent from the land of Edwin, 20ac. of demesne exchanged for the land of Blake-man, one man with 5ac., the lands of Elmar Long and Wulwin the forester, and a mill and barns.

At Dovercourt, the church with 30ac.

The churches of Gt. Bentley, Belchamp Walter, and Castle Camps (Cambs.).

From the manors of Castle Hedingham, Belchamp Walter, Lavenham, Aldham (Suff.), Dovercourt, Gt. Bentley, and Beauchamp Roding, two thirds of the tithe of the demesne, and one man with 5ac.

From Wold and Wadenhoe (Northants.) half the tithe of the demesne and one man with 5ac.¹

At Sible Hedingham, 2 mills, and a third of the tithe from the land of Ranulph Mengui, Robert Balcus, Guihumar, and William Grosvassal.

From the land of Aldhelm de Burgate, 10s.

At Scaldwell (Northants.), 40s. shillingsworth of land.

At White Colne, half the tithe of the demesne.

At Bures, all the tithe of Richard son of Adeline and Gilbert his neighbour, except the priest's portion.

At Gt. Canfield, a third of the tithe of Alured Sheriff, and two thirds of the tithe of Ralph.

The charter ends with a malediction on all who oppose, upset, or disregard this decree, and a blessing upon all benefactors.

10. 1148-1161.

Confirmation by Theobald, archbishop of Canterbury, to Colne

¹ This item is not included in the original charter.

Priory of a third part of the church of Little Waldingfield (Suff.) together with 20ac. of land, the whole tithe of the demesne of Roger de Vere, and two thirds of the tithe of the demesne of Ralph son of Adam. This grant had already been confirmed by Everard, bishop of Norwich.

Theobald styles himself primate of all England and papal legate; the legatine office was not conferred upon him until 1148.

Foremost of the witnesses to this charter is Thomas of London, chaplain to the archbishop, and better known as Thomas Becket. He succeeded Theobald as archbishop in 1162.

11. 1148-1161.

Although headed 'Confirmation by Theobald, archbishop of Canterbury, of the possessions of the church of Colne,' this charter is a confirmation by the archbishop of Aubrey de Vere's grant to Abingdon Abbey of land taxed at two hides, which the said Aubrey gave together with the church of Kensington, with the assent of Henry I and in the presence of Maurice, bishop of London.

12. 1148.

Confirmation by archbishop Theobald of remission of sins to all who come to the dedication of the priory-church of Colne. 'Twenty days' penance is to be remitted for each year that they come to this commemoration.

13. 1123-1136.

Confirmation by William de Corbeil, archbishop of Canterbury, to the monks of Abingdon, serving God at Colne in Essex, of all the gifts made to them by Aubrey de Vere, Beatrice his wife, and their children and other faithful supporters. The archbishop repeats the curse uttered by his predecessor, Ralph, upon all who do them harm, while assuring to all benefactors a share in the benefits of the fraternity both at the chantry and at Abingdon.

14. 1091-1119.

Confirmation by Herbert de Losinga, bishop of Norwich, to Abingdon Abbey of the various grants made to that house by Hubert de Montchesney, viz., the church of Edwardstone (Suff.) with 2ac. of land adjoining the church, two thirds of the tithe of the demesne of Staverton and Stanstead and two thirds of the tithe of the mills and of pannage in the woods, also at Staverton the whole tithe of turf.

This charter has been compressed into the left-hand margin of the folio, and is without heading. Stanstead is a hamlet in Halstead. Staverton Park is about four miles East of Woodbridge in Suffolk (*cf.* no. 64.).

15. 1146-1161.

Although headed 'Confirmation of Theobald, archbishop of Canterbury, of the possessions of the church of Colne' this charter is actually a notification from the archbishop to William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, that a dispute between Ralph son of Adam and Bernard, the clerk, concerning the tithes from Ralph's demesne at Little Waldingfield (Suff.), has been happily settled. Bernard, who is presumably the rector of Little Waldingfield, has received a mark of silver and undertaken to waive all rights to the said tithe.

The name of the fourth witness to this charter is contracted as *Spe*. The peculiar contraction-mark here used occurs only in one other place, where it stands for *at*. This name has therefore been extended to *Splate*.

16. 1121-1150.

Confirmation by Everard de Montgomery, bishop of Norwich, to Colne Priory of the grant from Roger de Vere of a third part of the church of Little Waldingfield, together with 20ac., and all the tithe of Roger's demesne. The monks are to find a priest to serve the cure for one third of the year. The bishop also confirms to the monks two thirds of the tithe from the Suffolk manors of Lavenham and Aldham.

17. *c.* 1180.

Headed 'Confirmation by Gilbert, bishop of London, of the possessions of the church of Colne' this is really a notification by Gilbert Foliot, bishop of London, that the controversy between Hugh, the prior, and the monks of Colne and Alexander, rector of Aythorpe Roding, about tithes has been settled. Alexander has agreed that the tithes in question belong to Colne Priory, and has undertaken not to make any further claim to them but to leave the monks in peaceful possession.

H. the prior is no doubt the Prior Hugh of no. 46, but can hardly be the same as Hugh the prior at the time of the dedication in 1148.

Of the witnesses, Gilbert Foliot, archdeacon of Middlesex, and Ralph, archdeacon of Colchester, were both in office *c.* 1180-1190. Ralph de Chilton was prebendary of Rugmere and Hugh de London prebendary of Ealdland about the same time. Richard de Storteford

was master of the schools; both he and John Witeing occur in a grant of archdeacon Gilbert Foliot, Newcourt, I. p. 151.

18. 1152-1162.

Confirmation by Richard de Belmeis II, bishop of London, of grants made to Colne Priory by various benefactors.

Of the witnesses, Master Hugh is Hugh de Marini who became dean of St. Paul's c. 1160. He is also witness to a confirmation of this same bishop to Thoby Priory about the same date as this charter. Petre MSS. A. 1471.

The grants confirmed comprise the following:—

At White Colne, half the vill, half the mill, and the church.

At Earls Colne, the church, the tithe of the demesne, the tithe of foals in the park, and the mill.

The churches of Dovercourt, Belchamp Walter, and Kensington.

At Little Waldingfield (Suff.) two thirds of the church, and all the tithe from the demesnes of Roger de Vere and Ralph son of Adam.

At Castle Hedingham, two thirds of the tithe of the demesne and the vineyard.

At Aldham (Suff.), Lavenham, and Beauchamp Roding, two thirds of the tithe of the demesne.

At Aythorpe Roding, the church, and all the tithe of the demesne.¹

At Takeley, two thirds of the tithe from two fields of Hubert Despenser.

At Bures, two thirds of the tithe of William de Bures.

At Toppesfield, two thirds of the tithe of Hawke's Hall of William son of Richard.²

At Wold and Wadenhoe (Northants.), half the tithe of the demesne.

¹ Charter no. 99 includes the grant to Colne Priory of the church of Aythorpe Roding, and this is renewed in no. 100. In 1236 an agreement was made between Richard, prior of Colne, and William son of Eytrop by which the advowson was shared, each party presenting to the benefice alternately, *Essex Feet of Fines*, Vol. I., p. 114. In 1250 the patronage was in the lord of the manor and so continued. De Banco Roll, no. 128, 27 Edw. I., contains a plea *de patronatu de Eythorp Roding*.

² Havechesha' seems to be Havecheshale, i.e. Hawke's Hall in Toppesfield.

At Aldham (Essex), half the tithe of Thiel the knight.

At Sible Hedingham¹, one third of the tithe of Ernald de Toppesfield, Warin Grosvassal, and Ralph de Hosdenc.

From Ash Mill (Suff.) 20s., from Aldham mill (Suff.) 10s., from Sible Hedingham mill 20s., from Stephen de Beauchamp 20s., from Adhelm de Burgate 15s., from Roger de Montchesney 14s.-3d. and 2½ac. of meadow, from Roger son of Gunter 10s., from Richard son of Picard 4s., from Robert son of Maurice and his mother 4s., from Liveva at the ford 3s., from Sudbury 4s., from Aythorpe Roding 32d., from Colchester 16d., from the land of Algode 5s., from Ailward the priest and Atselm 18d.,² from Geoffrey de Vere 40s., from Rohese the countess 40s., from Richard de Essartis 8s., the tithe of the mill of Polhey, and 4ac. in Pebmarsh, from William son of Otto 34d., and from Ernald Anglicus an acre of meadow in Gt. Tey, from Hervey de Vaux³ 3ac. in Belchamp Otton, from Peter de Aldeston one acre.

19. 1159-1174.

Confirmation by William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, to Colne Priory of the church of Edwardstone, granted to them by Hugh de Montchesney, with the assent of abbot Walchelin and the convent of Abingdon.

Walchelin was abbot 1159-1164.

This charter is printed in *Monasticon*.

20. c. 1180.

Headed 'This charter is written on the preceding folio.'

The scribe has inadvertently begun to copy into the chartulary the agreement arrived at before Bishop Gilbert by Hugh, the prior of Colne, and Alexander, rector of Aythorpe Roding, which already figures as no. 17 in the chartulary. By the time he has completed the page he discovers his error and stops abruptly.

¹ Ernald de Toppesfield is also called Ernald de Blois. 'Bloys' in Sible Hedingham takes its name from this family, as does 'Grassshales' from the family of Grosvassal.

² This rent was for the land given by William de Chennei, i.e. William de Chesney, sheriff of Norfolk, see no. 97.

³ Lord of the manor of Vaux in Belchamp Otton.

21. c. 1180.

This charter is without heading, due to the faulty insertion of no. 20.

It is a notification from the Countess Juliana to Gilbert Foliot, bishop of London, of her gift to Colne Priory of the tithe of all the fruits of her marsh at Dovercourt, and also pasture in the same for a hundred sheep, in accordance with a charter of her father.

The grantor was a daughter of Aubrey de Vere, the king's chamberlain; she married Hugh Bigod, earl of Norfolk, and brought to him in marriage the manor of Dovercourt. Morant states that she was daughter to Earl Aubrey, but the charter referred to in Juliana's grant is evidently no. 32, a charter of Aubrey the chamberlain. See *Rotuli de dominabus*, p. 71, where Juliana's first husband is stated to have been Walchelin Maminot, who attested nos. 36 and 87.

22. c. 1165.

Confirmation by William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, to Colne Priory of the church of Little Waldingfield, granted to them by the charters of Roger de Vere and Ralph son of Adam. The bishop announces that he has instituted Master Edward as perpetual vicar of that church on the presentation of the rector, the prior of Colne.

Oger Dapifer was sheriff of Norfolk 1163-1169.

23. 1142-1148, *probably* 1148.

Confirmation by Robert de Sigillo, bishop of London, to Colne Priory of all their rents, etc.

The bishop announces that on the day on which he consecrated the priory-church in honour of God, St. Mary, and St. John the Evangelist, he asked with a loud voice several times whether anyone claimed or disputed the possession of the various lands and rents belonging to the priory, and pronounced a curse upon anyone defrauding the monks of their property (*cf.* no. 26).

The list of possessions is practically identical with that in no. 18. The church of Kensington is mentioned as a gift solemnly made by Ingulfus, abbot of Abingdon (1130-1158).

Of the witnesses, Hugh was abbot of St. John's, Colchester, c. 1132-1148, Ailward was archdeacon of Colchester in 1142 and 1150, William was abbot of Coggeshall in 1148.

24. c. 1155.

Confirmation by Richard de Belmeis II, bishop of London, to the monks of Colne of two thirds of the tithe from the assarts of Stanstead.

As the mandate is addressed to the rural dean of Hedingham and his chapter, these assarts, or enclosures from the waste, must be in Stanstead, a hamlet of Halstead, which was in the Hedingham deanery, and not in Stansted Mountfitchet.

A marginal note in an eighteenth-century hand, possibly Cole's, states 'This Ricd., Bp. of London, was Ricd. Beauvers, K. Stephen's reigne.'

Walter, dean of Hedingham, is Walter de Middleton, a frequent witness in this chartulary.

25. c. 1145.

Although headed 'Confirmation by Robert, bishop of London, of the tithe of the demesne of Thiel the knight,' this charter is really a composition or settlement by Robert de Sigillo, the bishop, according to which the tithe from the demesne of Thiel the knight of Aldham (Essex), is to be equally shared by Colne Priory and Aldham church.

The charter begins at the foot of the verso of folio 9 and is continued at the head of folio 11; a footnote, added when folio 10 was inserted, directs the reader to turn over the following leaf.

In 1315 the church of Aldham was given to the college of Stanstead Thele (Herts.). The name suggests that there may have been some earlier connection between these two parishes.

26. 1148.

Notification by Robert de Sigillo, bishop of London, that he has consecrated the priory-church of Colne and dedicated it to St. Mary and St. John the Evangelist. He has called upon any claimants to the possessions of the priory to come forward, and no claim has been entered. He has then pronounced a most comprehensive curse upon anyone who shall rob the monks of their possessions or disturb them in the enjoyment of their property, consigning them to the fate of Dathan and Abiram and to that of Judas Iscariot. The document ends with *Fiat III*, either meaning 'let it be repeated thrice,' or else 'let it be done!!!'

This charter is in a hand of about the middle of the thirteenth century and is without heading. The folio on which it is written has been inserted between the seventh and eighth folios of the first quire, the stub just showing between the first and second folios. The verso is blank.

It is printed in *Monasticon* from Cole's transcript.

27. *c.* 1170.

Declaration by Gilbert Foliot, bishop of London, that he has remitted twenty days' penance from all who visit Colne Priory on the feast of the Annunciation of St. Mary, the day upon which the priory church was consecrated by Robert de Sigillo.

28. *c.* 1160.

The heading, instead of indicating the contents of this charter, notes that it is entered again on the following folio. The charter is a confirmation by William de Turbe of the grant of the church of Little Waldingfield. Half-way through his task the scribe has broken off in the middle of a sentence and has proceeded to copy a charter of Richard Fitz-Neal which would naturally have followed upon no. 27.

29. *c.* 1190.

Declaration by Richard Fitz-Neal, bishop of London, granting remission of penance to all visiting and bringing gifts to Colne Priory on certain days of commemoration. He confirms the ten days granted by his predecessor Gilbert Foliot to all who come on 15 May, the day on which the monks' cemetery was dedicated, but has changed the date of that commemoration to Whitsuntide. Seven days' penance is to be remitted to all who come on the feast of St. Luke, the day on which the altar of SS. Peter and Paul was consecrated, and forty days to all who come at the feast of the Annunciation, when the priory-church was dedicated.

30. *c.* 1165.

Confirmation by William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, to the monks of Colne of the gifts made to them by Roger de Vere and Ralph son of Adam, viz., the church of Little Waldingfield, and its appurtenances. A marginal note refers the reader to no. 22.

31. *c.* 1135.

Confirmation by Aubrey de Vere, the king's chamberlain, of the gifts made by his parents and others to the monks of St. Mary's, Abingdon, serving God at Colne. The gifts comprise:—

At Earls Colne, the church and the land of Ranulph the priest, the tithe of the demesne, the vill and the park, 120ac. of the demesne, the brushwood beyond the fish-stew together with the fish-stew, Colneford mill, a pasture called 'the marsh'

beyond Colneford bridge, 1ac. 1rd. of meadow in 'Broadmead,' meadowland in 'Kineburn' and 'Little-land' adjoining the said acre and rood, two woods called 'Dodepolesho' and 'Littlehey' with 20ac., the lands of Gode, Edwin the brewer, Elmar Long, and Wulric Mucche, and all other lands which the monks hold outside the park. The monks are to pay one quarter of the royal service due from the vill.

At Belchamp Walter, the church, 3 ac. of meadow, the tithe of the demesne, the brushwood and the vill, with rights of common.

At Dovercourt, the church, the tithe of the demesne and vill and also of the fishery, pasture in the marsh for a hundred sheep, and one man with 5ac.

The churches of Castle Camps (Cambs.), Gt. Bentley, and White Colne.

At Aythorpe Roding, the church, and all the tithe of the demesne, and 2s. 8d. annual rent.¹

From the manors of Castle Hedingham, Lavenham, Aldham (Suff.), and Beauchamp Roding, two thirds of the tithe of the demesne.

At Wold and Wadenhoe (Northants.) half the tithe of the demesne.

At Sible Hedingham, one third of the tithe from the lands of Ranulph Mengui, Robert Balcus, Guiumar, and William Gros-vassal, and the mill.

At Burgate (Suff.), 10 shillingworth of land.

At Crepping, in Wakes Colne, 3 shillingworth of land.

At Colchester, a rent of 16d.²

This charter is printed in *Monasticon* from Cott. MS. Vesp. B. 15.

32. c. 1130.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, the king's chamberlain, to his monks at

¹ Here called Roding Grimbaldi. This manor belonged to the church of Ely from the time of Edward the Confessor till Bishop Nigel granted it to Earl Aubrey (Morant, ii. 467, n.). It could have been granted by either Aubrey I or Aubrey II, as stated in this charter. Grimbald presumably held this manor from the church of Ely some time previous to 1140; possibly he is to be identified with *Grimbaldus medicus*, physician to Henry I.

² A rental, c. 1385, shows that the 16d. rent at Colchester was for a tenement next the North Gate against the town-wall.

Colne, confirming to them the church of Dovercourt and granting them the pasture of a hundred sheep in his marsh of Dovercourt. He also confirms the grant made by his parents of the churches of Castle Camps and Gt. Bentley as soon as they are vacated by their present rectors, Thomas and Lancelin.

The church of Castle Camps does not figure amongst the priory's possessions after 1150. Apparently it was taken back by Abingdon Abbey. The patronage of Gt. Bentley was recovered by the earls of Oxford about the same time, but was once more acquired by Colne Priory in 1320.

33. c. 1180.

This charter is headed 'Charter of the same man concerning other possessions of the church of St. Mary of Colne.' The rubricator is however at fault. This charter is a confirmation by Earl Aubrey, son of the chamberlain, of gifts made to Colne Priory by Hugh, son of Geoffrey, and Aitrop his son, viz: At Barnston, 5s. a year which Ralph de Berners owes, and the land which Adam del Ac held of Hugh, with the homage of Adam and his heirs. This land is liable for royal service as much as is due from a virgate in Roding. At Aythorpe Roding, two shillingsworth of land which Hugh Clavier holds, free of all but royal service; the monks' men are to have the same privileges as the men of Hugh; he also grants the church of Aythorpe Roding and 4ac. of land. Hugh undertakes not to free the villeins or their chattels.

Ralph de Berners witnesses a grant of Geoffrey de Mandeville, 2nd earl of Essex, which must be prior to 1166, and also a confirmation by William de Mandeville, 3rd earl of Essex, *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, pp. 230, 231.

Adam del Ac, or 'at the oak,' is probably of the same family as Roger and Robert Cheney, Hatfield Regis Priory deed, no. 61.

Alan, the dean, who witnesses this charter, is also a witness to a grant to Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart*, p. 275.

There is a Fine of the year 1231 between the prior of Colne and Ralph de Berners concerning this rent of 5s. and foreign service at Barnston, *Essex Feet of Fines*, Vol. I., p. 88.

34. c. 1135.

Notification from Aubrey de Vere, the king's chamberlain, to his reeves and tenants at Aldham and Lavenham in Suffolk, and at Castle Hedingham and Beauchamp Roding in Essex, that he has confirmed to the monks of Colne the gift his father made them of two-thirds of the tithe from the demesne of those villis.

Reginald, son of Peter, a witness to this charter, attested a grant of Alice of Essex to the Knights Hospitallers, Nero. E. vi. f. 341.

35. c. 1148.

Grant by Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Colne Priory, for the souls of his father and other relations, of half the vill of White Colne, half the mill, the church, and the land of Algode which pays 5s. He also grants to them the church of Horstede, but if he and his heir are unable to warrant this gift he will give instead a rent of 5 marks.

He also confirms his father's gifts.

Of the witnesses, Robert de Sigillo was consecrated to the see of London in 1141; Hugh de Haya, abbot of Colchester, died in 1147 according to one account, but this is probably incorrect. Ailward was archdeacon in 1142, 1145, but it is not till 1150 that his archdeaconry is specified as Colchester (Newcourt I, p. 86). Ralph de Guisnes and Ralph son of Adam held knight's fees of Aubrey de Vere.

Horstede may be Horstead in Norfolk.

36. c. 1160.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, addressed to Richard de Belmeis II, bishop of London, and to his own tenants, notifying them that he has granted to Colne Priory rents to the value of 100s. viz:

From 2 mills at Aldham (Suff.), 40s.

From the mill of Chaltenhey in Earls Colne, 26s.

From the mill of Gt. Canfield, 16s.

From the land of 'Little Frith' in Gt. Canfield, 15s.

From the land of Aluric, the smith, in Gt. Canfield, 3s.

or from other lands or churches which he may give in exchange for these.

He also gives his body to be buried in the priory-church.

Of the witnesses, Earl Geoffrey is Geoffrey de Mandeville, 2nd earl of Essex; William de Vere was a brother of the grantor and a canon of St. Osith's. For Walchelin Maminot see Round, *Geoffrey de Mandeville* p. 94, note; he appears on the Pipe roll of 1157. Peter de Kerteling witnesses P.R.O. Anc. Deed, A. 784, and also appears in *Colch. Chart.*, p. 191.

Hubert the chamberlain grants land in Tey, P.R.O. Anc. Deed, A. 827.

Chaltenhey mill, later called Chalkney mill, is on the eastern border of the parish, adjoining Chalkney wood.

37. c. 1185.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, confirming to the monks of Colne ten shillingsworth of rent from land in Wivenhoe, which Michael, the clerk, is to pay for life. After his death, or should he become a monk, that land in Wivenhoe is to become the property of Colne Priory in free alms.

He also confirms to the monks the land which Aluric at the grange held of him in Alphamstone. This grant and confirmation he makes in exchange for 20s. which the monks have from the mill at the ford by the gift of Alice his mother. This gift he has offered on the high altar in the presence of Osbert, the prior, and the monks of Colne.

The mill at the ford is presumably the mill at Ashbridge (*Suff.*), granted in no. 57.

Of the witnesses, William le Gros, and Moyse, dean of Tendring, witness a Gorbambury charter, vi. A. 58.

Robert de Cokefeld appears on the Pipe roll for 1172.

38. c. 1148.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, by which he grants to Colne Priory half the vill of White Colne and the church of Horstede, and also confirms the gifts of his father. The charter is almost exactly identical with no. 35, to which a marginal note directs the reader.

39. c. 1175.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, in which he notifies his men that Peter, the miller of Colneford mill, has been convicted of default of service due to Colne Priory and of seizing certain lands in spite of the charter by which they were granted to the priory, viz., a wood, a little field next to Chiffen, and a meadow next to Colneford mill. For all these misdeeds he is in mercy and is ordered to surrender Colneford mill and the land called 'the marsh,' and these are confirmed to Colne Priory. He is likewise ordered to surrender his charter.

Peter, the miller of Colne, is a party to a fine at Colne in 1202, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I, p. 28.

One of the witnesses to this charter is Robert son of the recluse, or anchoress, of Colne. He witnesses several other deeds in this chartulary.

The name of another witness, William Handsex, is preserved in 'Hauncers hedge,' a wood on the border of Earls Colne and Gt. Tey.

40. c. 1175.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, granting to Colne Priory his wood at Earls Colne called Chiffen, and also the provision of two carts every day to carry lop-wood from his park of Colne, and one waggon to carry dead wood as fuel for the priory.

The concession of carts to carry fuel from the park to the priory was quit-claimed by Richard, prior of Colne, c. 1240, according to a deed enrolled on the dorse of Probert MS. 136.

Chiffen lies some distance S.E. of the church near Chalkney wood.

Of the witnesses, William son of Fulk, a knight of Earl Aubrey, was afterwards sheriff of Essex in 1210, both he and Richard de Hispania are witnesses to a grant of William de Hispania, Hatfield Regis Priory deed, E.

41. c. 1175.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, granting to Colne Priory half a thousand herrings which Thomas of Colchester owes for the fee which he holds of the earl.

42. c. 1180.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, by which he grants to the monks of Colne Priory a buck in the season of grease, i.e., the late summer, and a doe in the winter, from his park of Colne, for the sustenance of weak and infirm brethren.

The park of Colne, mentioned also in nos. 18 and 31, comprised about one fifth of the area of the parish, occupying the south-west corner.

43. c. 1190.

Notification by Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Richard Fitz-Neal, bishop of London, of his grant to Colne Priory of the mills at Aldham and Ashbridge (both in Suff.), the mill of Chaltenhey in Earls Colne, and all his land at Sudbury between the two bridges, except for the rent paid by Richard, the goldsmith. He has also directed his body to be buried in the priory-church.

For the land between the bridges at Sudbury see *The Place-names of Essex*, p. 626, and *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. III., p. 122.

44. c. 1148.

Notification by Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Robert de Sigillo, bishop of London, that as far as lies in the power of a layman he has

granted the church of Aythorpe Roding to Colne Priory, together with an earnest request that the bishop will do what is necessary to complete that gift.

Of the witnesses, Hubert, the earl's steward, witnessed a Messing deed of c. 1150, Gorhambury MSS. V.B. 4, together with Hugh, prior of Colne, Theobald, priest of Feering (nos. 23 and 79), and Robert de Merchesale (no. 31); Robert, the constable, witnessed a grant to Hatfield Priory made before 1141, Morant II, 506, and also a confirmation by Earl Aubrey of a grant to Hatfield Priory of land in Manuden, Hatfield Priory deed, no. 9.

45. 1163-1187.

Notification by Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Gilbert Foliot, bishop of London, that as far as lies in the power of a layman he has granted to Colne Priory the church of White Colne, with a request to the bishop to confirm that gift. He further notifies the bishop that the monks have allowed Herbert of St. Edmunds, presumably the rector of White Colne, to continue to hold the church, paying to the monks an acknowledgement of 10s. a year. When the benefice becomes vacant, the monks are to enjoy it undisturbed.

46. c. 1180.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, by which at the request of Hugh, prior of Colne, he has granted the land called 'the priest's meadow' and 4ac. in 'Acstede' to Peter, the earl's forester, for life, at the annual rent of 2s. to be paid to Colne Priory. On Peter's death the land is to revert once more to the priory.

Hugh, prior of Colne, witnesses a grant of land at Takeley to Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart.* p. 341.

For *bracha presbiteri* cf. *quinque rodas prati iacentes in le Brache*, Waltham Abbey cellarer's roll for Woodford, in 1501, Chelmsford Record Office; also a Fine of the year 1199 where a field at West Ham is called Brache, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I, p. 16., and land at Hornchurch called le Braches, *Hornchurch Documents*, 339.

A William son of Hugh is a tenant of Aubrey de Vere at Belchamp Walter in 1199, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 17.

Michelstow is an alternative name for Ramsey. Robert de Michelestowe and Alexander de Ramseye witness an Oakley deed, *Colch. Chart.* p. 253.

47. c. 1175.

Charter of Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, granting to Colne

Priory, for the salvation of the souls of himself and his wife Agnes, three shillingsworth of land in Stoke, which he had in marriage with the said Agnes, and which Goding used to hold. This grant is to provide two lights to burn daily above the altar where the mass of St. Mary is celebrated.

Agnes appears to have been the earl's third wife. As her maiden-name is not known, and other evidence is lacking, there is nothing to show whether this Stoke is Stoke-by-Clare or Stoke-by-Nayland.

48. c. 1175.

Confirmation by Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Colne Priory of the gift Norman de Tey made of a messuage in Great Tey called 'Broad Croft' paying 12*d.* rent.

Cf. a rental of Colne Priory, c. 1500. *Tey Magna, of Thomas London for a croft called Broadcroft, xiiijd.* Probert MS. 11.

49. c. 1160.

Confirmation by Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to the monks of Colne of his father's gift to them of the church of White Colne, for the salvation of the soul of his father who is buried in the priory-church, and of his grandfather, who is also buried there, and who founded the priory.

50. c. 1180.

Grant from Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Colne Priory of the church of Messing, on condition that Michael, his clerk, holds that church paying to the monks annually 100*s.* Michael has sworn to keep faith with the monks and not to scheme in any way to rob them of their church or to contest their rights to it.

Michael, rector of Messing, witnesses Gorhambury deed, V.B. 33.

This charter is printed by Morant, vol. II, p. 178*n.*

51. 1156-1166.

Charter of Geoffrey de Mandeville, 2nd earl of Essex, granting to the monks of Colne a piece of land lying between their own lands and paying a yearly rent of 8*d.*, also confirming to them the gift made them by Aubrey de Vere of two thirds of the tithe from the demesne of Beauchamp Roding.

Richard de Berchercol who witnesses this charter is the Richard de Vercorol, who attests a charter of William de Mandeville to Westminster Abbey, *Cottonian Charters*, x. 1.

52. 1166-

Charter of William de Mandeville, brother and successor of Geoffrey, confirming to Colne Priory, as in the preceding charter, two-thirds of the tithe from his demesne of Beauchamp Roding, granted to the monks by the charter of his grandfather, Aubrey de Vere, the chamberlain.

Of the witnesses, Hasculph, the earl's chaplain, and John de Rokella, his steward, witness many charters of Earl William, e.g., Westminster Charter no. 1231; *Colch. Chart.*, p. 148; a charter of c. 1170, *Feudal England*, p. 504; and a Westminster charter, *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, p. 231, where there is a note on Hasculph. In the foundation-book of Walden Abbey, chapter xix describes how after the death of Geoffrey, 2nd earl of Essex, his chaplain Hasculph hastened to the countess Rohese to warn her that the earl's body was being secretly carried to Walden and to urge her to send an armed band to surprise the cortège and to carry off the corpse for interment at her new foundation of Chicksand. This plot, however, miscarried.

53. c. 1170.

Grant by the countess Rohese, widow of Geoffrey de Mandeville, first earl of Essex, to Colne Priory of a rent of one mark from the mill at Belchamp Walter.

Among the witnesses are Asculph the chaplain, Jordan the chamberlain, for whom see Morant II, 534, n. and also *Essex Feet of Fines*. vol. I, pp. 11 and 21, and Bodin of Colchester, who witnesses a Colchester Abbey charter as Boidin the Fleming, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 153.

54. c. 1170.

Charter from the countess Rohese, by which she exchanges with the monks half an acre in the monk's field of 'Seldeford,' which Halulph, her swincherd, held, for the land of the sacrist where Payn and Hugh, the priests, had their manse.

Seldeford appears to be a field-name, perhaps in Little Walding-field, where the land where Hugh the priest had his manse is mentioned in no. 77.

55. c. 1150.

Grant from the countess Rohese to Colne Priory of a mill at Stebbing, rented at 32s., for the souls of her father Aubrey and her husband Geoffrey.

Of the witnesses, Alard de Werres witnesses the Walden Foundation-charter as Adelard de Guerres, and a Westminster Charter, no. 938, as

Aelarde Gwerriis. He may well be the Aelard, the constable, of no. 51. Robert de Chandos appears on the Pipe roll for 1167 and 1172, and in *Cartae Antiquae*, no. 62.

This charter is printed in *Monasticon* from Robert Glover's transcripts. There the witnesses include Richard de Belmeis, archdeacon; William de Vere; Alice de Vere; and Alice de Essex.

56. c. 1150.

Grant from the Countess Euphemia to Colne Priory of 100 shillings-worth of land in Ickleton (Cambs.), for the souls of King Stephen, Queen Matilda, and Earl Eustace their son. The land was given her by the king and queen at her marriage to Earl Aubrey, and she makes this grant with her husband's assent.

An abbreviated version of this charter is printed in *Monasticon* from the Glover Collection. Glover's transcript contains the words *cum corpore meo sepeliendo*. Stephen's confirmation of this grant (no. 5) states that it was a death-bed gift.

57. 1148.

The heading of this charter 'Charter of Aubrey de Vere concerning the mill of Ash' is erroneous. The charter is in fact a grant from Alice de Vere, widow of Aubrey the chancellor, to Colne Priory of this mill. It is addressed to William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, and to Earl Aubrey her son. Glover's transcript, printed in *Monasticon*, gives a different version of this charter, as follows:—*Domino et patri reverendo Willielmo Norwycensi episcopo et comiti Alberico filio suo et omnibus amicis et hominibus et fidelibus suis Adeliza de Ver salutem. Notum sit universitati vestre me concessisse in dedicatione ecclesie de Colne ipsi ecclesie et fratribus ibidem deo servientibus in molendino de Asse decem solidos quod pertinet de Aldam in perpetuam elemosinam tenendam de me et heredibus meis ita libere et quiete et honorifice sicut dominus meus et ego vel alius predecessor noster melius tenuit, quam donationem et ego manu mea super altare dei genetricis et sancti Johannis evangeliste ad maiorem confirmationem in presentia prioris Hugonis et multorum aliorum obtuli. Testibus his. Willelmo de Ver, filio meo. Radulfo de Hispania.*

The mill here granted is at Ashbridge in Semer adjoining Aldham (Suff.). The Colne chartulary grant conveys the whole mill, not just 10s. rent from it.

In the Colne chartulary version the witnesses include two daughters of the grantor, Rohese, who married Geoffrey de Mandeville, and

Alice of Essex, for whom see *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, p. 391, also Albin the chaplain, who witnesses a charter of Alice of Essex in *Cott. MS. Nero. E. vi., f. 341*.

58. 1141-1152.

Grant from Richard de Beauchamp to Colne Priory of the soke of Clare, which he held of Gilbert Fitz-Richard, of Richard his son, and afterwards of Earl Gilbert. In confirmation of this gift he has given to Mainard, the prior, this sealed charter.

The land here granted is in Bures Hamlet, and is described in the Colne Priory rentals as 'Bures in the soken of Clare,' see *Place-names of Essex*, p. lxj. In the Domesday survey Richard de Clare held in Bures 13 sokemen with 35ac. of land, 11 of meadow, and some woodland.

Richard de Beauchamp's overlords were—

Gilbert Fitz-Richard, of Tunbridge.

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Richard Fitz-Gilbert (*d.* 1136).

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Gilbert de Clare (created earl of Hertford in 1139 according to Doyle, before Christmas 1141 according to Round; *d.* 1152).

59. 1141-1152.

Charter from Richard de Beauchamp repeating the gift of the soke of Clare, and also granting to the monks his church of Hedingham, as soon as the rector, Richard son of Hugh, vacates that benefice. Monasticon prints from Glover's transcripts a similar grant of the church of Lamarsh. There is nothing to show that either of these churches were ever in the patronage of Colne Priory. The Hedingham of this charter is presumably Sible Hedingham, though this is nowhere stated to have been in the gift of the Beauchamps; *c.* 1250 the patron was the heir of John de Cantelupe.

60. *c.* 1175.

Confirmation by Stephen de Beauchamp to Colne Priory of his father's grant of the church of Hedingham.

Stephen de Bello campo died in 1183, when Geoffrey de Bedeforde, who witnesses nos. 61 and 63, is named as one of his tenants, as is William, the priest (nos. 62 and 63), *Rotuli de dominabus*, p. 68.

Robert de Bello campo, his brother and a witness to this charter, is a party to a fine at Foxearth in 1198.

61. 1176-1183.

Confirmation by Stephen de Beauchamp to Colne Priory of his father's gift of the soke of Clare, held of the earl of Clare.

The witnesses include Peter, abbot of Coggeshall (1176-1194); Robert son of Turgis, who appears in a fine at Bures of the year 1197; Richard de Reymes, for whom see *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, pp. 401, 402; and Richard de Bello campo, clerk, who may be the dean of Hedingham, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 569, and is almost certainly the rector of Lamarsh, P.R.O. Anc. Deed, A. 6528.

62. c. 1180.

Grant from Stephen de Beauchamp to Colne Priory of rents to the value of 20s., viz., from Roger de Bergholt 7s., from Alexander de Sudbury 3s., from land at Halstead 3s., from Roger son of Sweyn 1s. 10d., from Algar Morild 2s. 2d., from Girard son of Thomas 1s. 4d., from Baldwin April 8d., and from Alfwin de Latheie 1s., to be paid at two terms, St. Andrew's day and Rogation-tide, by these tenants until Stephen can provide land or rents of the same value.

Alexander de Sudbury appears in a Suffolk fine of 1197.

63. 1190-1200.

Confirmation by Henry Longchamp to Colne Priory of Richard de Beauchamp's gift of the soke of Clare.

The grantor was brother to William Longchamp, bishop of Ely (1189-1197) and chancellor of England under Richard I. He occurs with Stephen de Beauchamp under Essex on the Pipe rolls for 1200 and 1204. William Longchamp purchased the wardship of Stephen de Beauchamp before 1191, and in 1200 Henry Longchamp paid to the king a fine for having custody of the land of Stephen de Beauchamp.

William, son of Randulph, who witnesses this charter, was a party to a Halstead fine in 1199, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 21.

64. 1115.

Grant from Hubert de Montchesney to Abingdon Abbey of the church of Edwardstone (Suff.), together with 12ac. of his demesne, 2ac. next the church, and 4ac. in 'Mangaresdune,' with common of pasture for the monks' cattle; also of two thirds of the tithe of his demesne at Staverton (Suff.) and Stanstead (in Halstead), with two-thirds of the tithe of mill-rents and pannage, and all the tithe of turf at Staverton; also pannage for the monks' swine everywhere except

in his wood at Stanstead; also at Edwardstone the land of Richard de Vilers with the tenants.

In the following deed the wood is named Rachey, i.e., 'rook-wood'; in no. 91 Rac-hey in Hedingham is mentioned. It is a common name throughout Essex.

65. c. 1160.

Confirmation by Hugh de Montchesney of his father's gifts to Colne Priory, addressed to William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, and the grantor's tenants. The gifts are those enumerated in the preceding charter, which with the consent of Faritius, abbot of Abingdon, have been transferred to Colne Priory. In addition Walchelin, a later abbot of Abingdon, has agreed to transfer the two monks, whom Faritius placed in the church of Edwardstone to maintain a chantry, to the priory-church of Colne. The land of Richard de Vilers is stated to have been given by the grantor's father to Abingdon Abbey when he became a monk.

66. c. 1180.

Confirmation by Stephen de Montchesney of the gifts which his grandfather made to Abingdon Abbey and which his father confirmed to Colne Priory. The charter is practically a repetition of no. 65.

Stephen de Montchesney appears on the Pipe roll of 1191.

Simon de Herlaue, who witnesses this charter, is a party to a Harlow fine of the year 1199, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 20.

Roger de Leycestria witnesses a charter from the bishop of Norwich to Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 115.

67. c. 1155.

Notification by Roger de Montchesney and Maude his wife to Richard de Belmeis II, bishop of London, and the grantors' tenants of a grant to Colne Priory of land at Ashford and Wald with the homage of the tenant, William son of Walter. This gift they have laid upon the altar of St. Mary of Colne with the assent of William and his wife Godiva.

Ashford is in Halstead; Wald, so far unidentified, is probably in the same neighbourhood.

68. c. 1155.

Notification by Roger de Montchesney to the same bishop and tenants of his grant to Colne Priory of two-thirds of the tithe of his

demesne at Stanstead, in Halstead, and of his mill, and the pannage of his woods and his assarts.

69. c. 1155.

Grant from Roger de Montchesney to Colne Priory of a half-virgate in Stanstead called Faireye, free of all service except one ward-penny, and of the land of William Poidras subject to the same service, also of a field in his demesne called Bulnotesley together with the villein settled on it and paying a rent of 12*d.* The grantor also confirms his father's gift of a meadow called Kineburne, and 5ac. of land given to the monks by William de Merlebury.

Faireye occurs at Wethersfield and at Felsted, *Place-names of Essex*, p. 422. There is a 'Fairy croft' in Halstead close to Ashfords.

Kineburne is the name of the stream dividing Earls Colne from the hamlet of Stanstead and gives its name to the adjoining meadows.

Bulnotesley is perhaps preserved in 'Bullockswood Field,' between Stanstead Hall and the Kineburne.

70. c. 1155.

This charter is a duplicate of no. 67, with but one or two trifling variations. The tenant is described here as William, son of Walter the dean. The witnesses are identical.

71. c. 1140.

Notification by Roger de Vere to Everard, bishop of Norwich, of his gift to Colne Priory, as far as lies in the power of a layman to make it, of one-third of the church of Little Waldingfield, with 20ac. of land, and the tithe of the demesne, on condition that the monks provide a priest to serve that church for one-third of the year.

72. c. 1180-1190.

Grant by Hubert de Montchesney to Colne Priory, for the souls of himself, his son Roger, and his wife Antigone, and all his relatives, of the land which Fribearn *curtillarius* holds of him in Stanstead, to provide a light at the priory-church.

Curtillarius means the holder of a curtilage, cf. 'a messuage in the suburbs of Colchester which Thurstan *curtillarius* held,' *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 23.

Round in his introduction to *Rotuli de dominabus*, pp. xlv, xlv., makes this Hubert to be son of Stephen and grandson of Hubert de Montchesney. The entries in this chartulary shew him to be brother of Stephen, son of Hugh and grandson of the first Hubert.

73. c. 1180-1190.

Quitclaim from Hubert de Montchesney to Colne Priory of all his right in Richard son of Wulward and his wife and progeny. In return Reginald, prior of Colne, has given the grantor a mark of silver.

Reginald de Boseville, who witnesses this charter, is associated with Aitrop son of Hugh as a witness to an agreement made with the abbot of Colchester about land in Aythorpe Roding, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 242.

74. c. 1180-1190.

Grant from Hubert de Montchesney to Colne Priory of an acre of meadow adjoining Ashford bridge, which Richard Harold holds.

Ashford bridge, now known as Blue bridge, is in Halstead in Stanstead hamlet, and is not to be confused with Ashfords, which lies some two miles to the North.

Of the witnesses, John le Manant makes a grant to Colchester Abbey of land in Bures, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 228; Osbert de Gladfen, who held the manor of Gladfen Hall in Halstead, is a party to a fine at Halstead in 1199, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 19; Henry de Codeham, of Codham Hall in Wethersfield, is mentioned in a Gosfield fine of the year 1198, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 15.

75. c. 1180-1190.

Confirmation charter of Hubert de Montchesney to Colne Priory of all his father's gifts.

Of the witnesses, the first five are knights; one of them, Hubert son of Ralph held fees at Dedham and elsewhere in 1212, *Rotuli de dominabus*, p. 70, note. Robert de Essex cannot be the husband of Alice de Essex as he was dead long before this time, but it is possible that he was her son; Peter de Austede, corrected by the scribe to Haustede, was son of Richard de Haustede lord of the manor of Halstead, and sold that manor about the end of the reign of king John to Abel St. Martin, Holman's *History of Halstead*, p. 95. He occurs in a charter to Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 227.

76. 8 Sep. 1158.

Grant from Ralph, son of Adam, to Colne Priory of all the land in Middleton which Ernold the clerk held. This gift Ralph with his wife Maude and his son William offered on the altar of St. Mary on the feast of her Nativity immediately following the return of King Henry from his expedition to Wales. The land is to be free of all service except one ward-penny.

The expedition here referred to must be the invasion of Anglesey in 1157 after the rising of Owen, prince of North Wales.

Of the witnesses, Richard son of Maurice is party to an agreement with Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 229; Alexander son of Hugh witnesses a Messing deed, *c.* 1180, Gorchamby MS. V.B. 8.

77. *c.* 1160.

Grant from Ralph, son of Adam, made in the presence of William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, to Colne Priory of his share in the church of Little Waldingfield, together with two-thirds of the tithe of his demesne, and 2ac. of land next the church, where Hugh, the priest, had his manse.

Of the witnesses, Hubert, priest of Eye, together with Hugh de Muncanesi, witnesses a charter to the monks of Colchester, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 169; he also appears on the Pipe roll, 1172-1173.

78. *c.* 1160.

A further grant from Ralph, son of Adam, to Colne Priory of the 2ac. of land next the church of Little Waldingfield, where Hugh, the priest, had his manse.

The grant is made to God, SS. Mary and Laurence, and the church of Colne. That church was dedicated to SS. Mary and John, the Evangelist, but the church of Little Waldingfield was dedicated to St. Laurence.

79. *c.* 1148.

Grant from Ralph, son of Adam, as far as lies within the power of a layman to make it, to Colne Priory of a third of the church of Little Waldingfield, and two-thirds of the tithe of his demesne.

This gift was probably made at the dedication of the priory-church.

Amongst the witnesses are Robert de Sigillo, bishop of London, Ailward the archdeacon, Alice de Vere, William, the priest of Stisted, and Theobald, the priest of Feering.

80. *c.* 1148.

Grant from Ralph, son of Adam, to Colne Priory of two-thirds of the tithe of his demesne, and his share of the church of Little Waldingfield, whenever Hugh, the priest vacates it.

The witnesses are practically identical with those who attest no. 79.

81. 1163-1174.

Confirmation charter of William, son of Ralph, addressed to Gilbert Foliot, bishop of London, and William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, of the following gifts which his father made to Colne Priory: —

Four shillingsworth of land in Sudbury.

The church of Little Waldingfield, with the tithe of the demesne, and 2ac. of land by the church.

The land Gilbert holds in Middleton, and the land Arnold, the merchant, holds in Alphamstone, free of all service except scutage, viz., 20*d.* when scutage is levied at 20*s.*

Among the witnesses are the chaplains of Earls Colne and Colne William Kenney, i.e., Colne Engaine; also the grantor's uncle, Warin son of Adam, who also witnesses the lease of Wickham, *Domesday of St. Paul's*, p. 124.

Walchelin, chaplain of Pebmarsh, is probably the same as Walchelin, the priest, who witnesses a grant of Adam son of Warin to the Hospitallers, *Cott. MS. Nero E. vi.*, f. 332.

82. 1175-

Quitclaim from Gilbert de Waldingfield, with the consent of William, his heir, and his other sons, to Colne Priory of all right in the church of Little Waldingfield. This charter is addressed to John of Oxford, bishop of Norwich (1175-1200).

83. 1148, or earlier.

Grant from Richard de Essartis to Colne Priory of the land of Harang in Nailinghurst (a hamlet of Braintree) which Ralph son of Robert held of him, free of all service except that it will defend itself against the king and the earl for 10 acres, i.e., when scutage is levied it will pay the amount due from 10 acres.

Harang, or Hareng, is a personal name.

84. 1148, or earlier.

Grant from Richard de Essartis to Colne Priory of the land of Godelief in Alphamstone to maintain a light in the priory-church, free of all service except two ward-pence; also the land which Godwin senior, the reeve, holds in Pebmarsh, and the tithe of the mill of Polhey (in Pebmarsh); and also the land of Harang in Nailinghurst (as in no. 83).

85. c. 1160.

Grant from Richard de Essartis to Colne Priory of the land of Godelief in Alphamstone to maintain the lights in the priory-church, free of all service except two ward-pence; also the land of Godwin senior, the reeve of Pebmarsh, to keep the commemoration of his parents; also the tithe of the mill of Polhey, for the monks' table. All these gifts he makes for the salvation of his soul, and the souls of William, earl of Warenne, and of his parents.

William, earl of Warenne, a natural son of King Stephen, died in 1160, which is probably about the date of this charter, confirming the previous charters, nos. 83 and 84. These latter must be at least as early as 1148, for the property conferred by them is included in a charter of Robert de Sigillo; possibly the gifts were made at the dedication in 1148.

Two charters of Richard de Essartis, which may profitably be compared with these, are contained in the Fray chartulary, P.R.O. Misc. Ch. lxii, f. 12.

William, earl of Warenne, held Polhey, in Pebmarsh, and manors in Arkesden, Sheering, Matching, and Wendon at the Domesday survey; of all these the de Essartis family were tenants either then or later. They are probably descended from the Richard who held these manors under Earl William at the time of the survey.

86. c. 1175.

Grant from Simon de Beauchamp to Colne Priory of one mark from the rent of his mill at Belchamp Walter, for the salvation of his soul, and the souls of Rohese his mother and Earl Aubrey his uncle. Should the tenant of the mill for poverty or other reason fail to pay this rent, the mark is to be received from Richard, son of William, the physician of Eston, viz., from the land of Bainard. The gift is made for the roofing of the church of St. Mary and for other works at the same church. It is to be remembered that the monks cannot claim anything in the mill or the land of Bainard beyond the one mark's rent.

Simon was the son of Payn de Beauchamp, who married Rohese, sister of Earl Aubrey, and widow of Geoffrey de Mandeville. This charter is a confirmation of his mother's gift, no. 53.

Eston is Eyston Hall in Belchamp Walter, see *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., pp. 17 and 89.

87. c. 1150.

Notification from William de Burgate to William de Turbe, bishop

of Norwich, that his grandfather Adhelm gave ten shillingworth of land and his father William five shillingworth, for the salvation of their souls, to Colne Priory where their bodies are buried. These gifts he now confirms, granting to the priory all the land in Palgrave belonging to his fee, together with the tenants, and all the land at Thrandeston belonging to his fee, which Edric, the leech, used to hold, together with the tenants, and also 10ac. of his demesne, free of all service except the service due to the earl, his lord, for scutage; when that is assessed at one mark, the land at Palgrave is to pay 6*d.*, and the land at Thrandeston 3*d.*, unless the earl is willing to forego it. Further he guarantees not to free any of the villeins or their chattels.

Palgrave and Thrandeston adjoin Burgate; all three villages are on the northern border of Suffolk, just south of Diss. In the Domesday survey Adhelm held Burgate and also lands in Essex under Aubrey de Vere.

For Robert son of Ailric, witness to this charter, see Morant II, p. 534, and *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 21. He appears with Aubrey, earl of Guisnes, Geoffrey Arsic, Robert son of Humphrey, Ralph son of Adam, Ralph de Guisnes, Geoffrey de Ver, Robert de Cokefeld, and Adam de Cokefeld, who all figure in this chartulary, in a charter of Ording, abbot of St. Edmunds, *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, pp. 189, 190. Philip de Gerardville appears on the Pipe roll for Norfolk and Suffolk in 1158.

88. c. 1180.

Grant from Henry, son of Reginald, son of Godfrey, to Colne Priory of all the land which was once of Pecche in Nailsworth (in Braintree), free from all service except royal service, viz., a shilling when scutage is levied at a pound, and also a rent of 3*s.* to Robert de Watevile. He also gives for the salvation of his soul and the souls of his mother, his son Reginald, and his brother Walter, and his other relatives, a rent of 2*s.* from the tenement which Roger de Alwude holds of him.

Robert de Watevile occurs c. 1180, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 526, and in an Essex fine of the year 1208. He was lord of the neighbouring manor of Panfield.

89. c. 1180.

Grant from John Trezgoz to Colne Priory of the church of Messing. This is a companion charter to no. 50, in which Earl Aubrey makes the same grant in identical words. Aubrey was John Trezgoz's over-

lord. In each draft Michael, who is to continue as rector of the church, is described as 'my clerk.' Actually he was clerk to Earl Aubrey, but the scribe in drawing up the charter for John Trezgoz has failed to alter *Michael clericus meus* into *Michael clericus comitis*.

Reginald Harsiche, a witness to this charter, appears on the Pipe roll of 1191.

90. 1148, or earlier.

Grant from William de Bures to Colne Priory of two-thirds of the tithe of his demesne in Bures, which grant his father had already made.

This tithe in Bures is included in the Priory's possessions listed by Robert de Sigillo in 1148 (no. 23).

Among the witnesses are Silvester de Bures and William his son; William, son of Silvester, appears on the Pipe roll for 1200.

91. 1148, or earlier.

Grant from Roger, son of Gunter, of ten shillingworth of land in Hedingham, viz., from the land of William, the potter, 4s., from the land of Brihtric, 18d., from 10ac. in Rachey, 4s. 6d.

This, like the preceding grant is listed by Robert de Sigillo in 1148.

92. c. 1160.

Grant from Geoffrey, son of Walter, to Colne Priory of the tene-ment which Edmar, son of Hardgar, holds of him in Beauchamp Roding for the same service which Edmar used to render. The grant is made for the souls of the grantor, his wife, and his ancestors.

Westminster charter no. 1231 is a grant from William de Mandeville, earl of Essex, to Geoffrey, son of Walter, of all Roinges. It is attested by Earl Aubrey, Ralph de Berners, John de Rocilla, Gilbert de Ver, Asculph the chaplain, and Alexander the clerk.

93. c. 1180.

Grant from William, son of Geoffrey, to Colne Priory of the land which Adhelm holds of him in Tilbury. This must be Tilbury-juxta-Clare, which was a de Vere manor.

William, son of Geoffrey, made a grant to the monks of Hatfield Regis of land in Roding, Hatfield Priory deed, no. 27, and also witnessed a grant of land in Aythorpe Roding by Ralph Morel to Earl Aubrey, Hatfield Priory deed, F.

From him Beauchamp Roding at one time took its distinctive name, see no. 104.

94. c. 1150, or earlier.

Grant from Robert, son of Humphrey, to Colne Priory of three acres of arable land in his manor of Colne, free of all service including royal service; also confirmation of the gift of an acre of meadow made by Robert son of Walter, for the soul of his lord Earl Eustace, son of King Stephen. Robert Fitz-Humphrey was lord of Pentlow; the manor here mentioned has not been identified. Earl Eustace at the time of the Domesday survey held a minute manor in Colne Engaine, and this may be the manor in question. Robert's grant of an acre of meadow is not included in this chartulary, but is probably referred to in no. 97.

Of the witnesses, Walter, son of Alan, attests a charter, probably of the year 1141, *Geoffrey de Mandeville*, p. 123, note.

95. 1148, or earlier.

Notification from Ernald English to Robert de Sigillo, bishop of London, that he has granted to the monks of Colne his meadow below 'Britriches wood' in Gt. Tey, and a field called 'The Down' at the bridge (i.e., Pontesbright).

Brictric held land at Finchingfield and elsewhere in the time of Edward the Confessor and may be the unnamed freeman who held Gt. Tey, where the wood of this charter and the bridge preserve his name. In no. 91 the land of Brihtric at Hedingham is mentioned.

Of the witnesses, Robert Niger, or Robert le Blake, of Tey witnesses a grant from Geoffrey Martel to Wix Priory, P.R.O. Ancient Deeds. A. 5277.

Arnold Anglicus granted land in Tey to the Hospitallers, *Cott. MS. Nero E. vi., f. 370.*

96. 1148, or earlier.

Grant from William, son of Otto, to Colne Priory of the rent of Ralph the priest, 15*d.*, and of Syward, 19*d.*, for the redemption of his soul, and the souls of his parents, and of his wife Maxima. The grant is witnessed by certain men of the vill, including Edmund, the dean, and Payn, the forester. Payn was the forester at Earls Colne, but the family of Fitz-Otto, the well-known goldsmiths, is chiefly associated with Belchamp Otton, Gestingthorpe, and Gosfield. The amounts of the rents are curiously expressed j.xvj*d.* and j.xx*d.*, i.e., 16*d.* less one and 20*d.* less one; perhaps in each case one penny out of the rent is retained as a ward-penny.

Of the witnesses, Edmund, the dean, attests another charter of William, son of Otto, in which William confirms an agreement made

by Earl Aubrey with Warin Morel about his mill; here too the name of the village is omitted, Hatfield Priory deed, D. Syward and Richard Morel are witnesses to a grant from Oliver de Roinges to Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 241. Jordan Baard appears with William son of Otto on the Pipe roll of 1130.

97. c. 1155.

Grant from William, sheriff of Norwich, to Colne Priory of 5ac. of arable land in his vill of Colne, also of an acre of meadow which his father gave to the monks, and which he now confirms to them. William de Chesney was sheriff of Norfolk from 1157 to 1163. He died in 1174 and left a daughter Sarah, married to Richard Engaine, to whom this manor of Colne passed. In no. 81 this vill is designated Colum Willelmi Kenney, taking its distinctive name from the sheriff, from the end of the twelfth century it has been known as Colne Engaine.

William, sheriff of Norwich, made a grant to the monks of Colchester in the time of William de Turbe, bishop of Norwich, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 172.

William's father, referred to in this charter, was Robert son of Walter, see no. 94.

98. c. 1190.

Grant from William Wallis to Colne Priory of the rent from his messuage in Pleshey, which William Bonior holds of him, viz., 4*d.* a year. The said William Bonior and his heirs are to continue to hold the messuage of the priory at the same rent, for all service save the service due to the lord of Pleshey.

William Walensis appears on the Pipe roll for 1191 as Willelmus (de Plesseiz) Walensis.

99. c. 1175.

Grant from Hugh, son of Geoffrey, to Colne Priory of 5*s.* rent in Barnston and the land of Adam del Ac, two shillingsworth of land in Aythorpe Roding, and the church there, together with 4ac. of arable land.

This is a companion to the charter of Earl Aubrey, no. 33, and is attested by nearly the same group of witnesses.

Hugh, son of Geoffrey, appears on the Pipe roll of 1165.

100. c. 1175.

Notification from Hugh, son of Geoffrey, to Gilbert Foliot, bishop of London, that he has restored to the monks of Colne the church of Aythorpe Roding, which he had wrested from them. By way of recompense he has also granted to them 4ac. of arable land. He requests the bishop to confirm his grant and to do what is necessary to render it secure.

101. c. 1175.

Confirmation from Aitrop, son of Hugh, son of Geoffrey, of his father's gifts, as in no. 99.

The witnesses are identical with those attesting no. 99.

From this Aitrop, Aythorpe Roding derives its name.

102. c. 1190.

Grant from Robert, son of Walter, to Colne Priory of two of his villeins Salomon and Andrew, with all their progeny. In return the prior has given to him 20s. These villeins were perhaps attached to his manor of Great Tey.

Robert, son of Walter, ancestor of the famous family of Fitz-Walter, was grandson of Gilbert, earl of Brion, from whom descended the family of Clare. He must not be confused with the Robert, son of Walter of no. 94.

Of the witnesses, Robert, son of Maude, occurs in a fine of the year 1202, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 25, and Richard, son of Baldwin, in one of 1219, *ibid*, p. 56.

103. c. 1190.

Grant from Robert de Quincy to Colne Priory of his villein Henry, son of Peter, with all his progeny. In return Reginald, prior of Colne, has given him 5 marks.

Robert, son of Saier de Quincy, was lord of Colne Quincy, afterwards called Wakes Colne; from this family were descended the earls of Winchester. The Pipe roll of 1192 notes that Robert de Quincy has gone on crusade.

104. 1197, or 1198.

This charter and the three which follow are in different handwritings to the rest of the chartulary and evidently the work of one or more continuators. Although provision has been made for rubrication the headings have not been filled in, and the initial letter of no. 104 is missing. The handwriting is not of the formal type adopted by

the original scribe, but in cursive hands such as are frequently found in deeds of the reign of King John, suggesting that these later entries were made c. 1210.

The first of these additional entries is a transcript of a charter of Richard Fitz-Neal, bishop of London; of this the original is extant and is deposited at Chelmsford among the Probert MSS.

In this charter the bishop confirms to Colne Priory the following gifts: —

The churches of Dovercourt and Belchamp Walter, of the gift of Aubrey de Vere, with power to appropriate the same provided a suitable vicar is appointed, presented to the bishop of London, and allowed at least 40s. a year out of the emoluments of the benefice.

Annual pensions customarily received out of the churches of White Colne and Aythorpe Roding, of the gift of Earl Aubrey. Half the vill of White Colne, half the mill, 100s. rent from mills and other property, also 2s. from the land of Thomas, the clerk, in Colchester, of the gift of Earl Aubrey.

Gifts of land and tithes from Roger de Montchesney and Richard de Essartis.

Further gifts of Aubrey de Vere, viz., the tithe of foals in the park of Earls Colne, Colneford mill, two-thirds of the tithe from the demesne at Castle Hedingham, two-thirds of all tithe from the demesne at Beauchamp Roding,¹ the whole tithe from the demesne at Aythorpe Roding, two-thirds of the tithe from the land of Hubert Despenser at Takeley.

A rent of one mark from the mill at Belchamp Walter, of the gift of Simon de Beauchamp.

Two shillings rent of the gift of Henry, son of Reginald.

The soke of Clare, which Richard de Beauchamp granted and Stephen, his son, confirmed.

Of the witnesses, Peter de Blois was archdeacon of London from 1197; Master Alard is Alard de Burnham, who was later archdeacon of London and dean of St. Paul's; Richard de Windsor was prebendary of Oxgate, c. 1192; William de Ely was prebendary of Cadington Minor, c. 1192.

Most of the witnesses to this charter witness a confirmation by the same bishop to Thoby Priory, Petre MSS. A. 288, and a charter to Colchester Abbey, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 88.

¹ Here called Roding of William Fitz-Geoffrey; it is so-called in a fine of the year 1200, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. i., p. 23.

105. c. 1190.

Confirmation from Aitrop, son of Hugh, of his father's gifts to Colne Priory, viz., the church and advowson of Aythorpe Roding, with 4ac. of land; the rent of 5s. which Warin Triket owes for the land he holds of the grantor in Barnston, besides the land which Adam del Ac held, with the homage and service of the tenants; also the land which Hugh Claviger held in Aythorpe Roding. These lands are to be held free of all service, except that when the king levies scutage the monks will pay 16*d.* for a scutage of 20*s.* and proportionately if the scutage is higher or lower. The tenants are to enjoy the same liberties under the monks as they did in the time of the grantor's father.

No names of witnesses are appended to this charter, which is substantially the same as no. 33. Warin Triket has however taken the place of Ralph de Berners. The Triket family held Barnston under the de Berners till the reign of Edward III.

106. c. 1190.

Grant from Aitrop, son of Hugh, to Colne Priory of a messuage, 12 perches x 7 perches, in Aythorpe Roding, on the eastern side of the messuage of Gilbert de Baalun in the field called Sicagre, at the annual rent of 5*d.* In return the prior and monks have given him 12*s.*

The name of only one witness is appended—Hamon, son of Hugh.

Eutropius, son of Hugh, and Hamon his brother witness a Roding deed, c. 1200, D. & C. of St. Paul's charters, no. 514.

Gilbert de Baalun appears on the Pipe roll for 1198.

107. c. 1190–1200.

Grant from Aubrey de Vere, earl of Oxford, to Colne Priory of the following rents in Belchamp Walter: 12*d.* which Gilbert Pecche owes for the land once of Warin Elbic, 28*d.* which Roger, the reeve of Belchamp Walter, owes for 6ac. in Godrichescroft and 2ac. next to his house, also all the lands held of him by Hugh, the forester, Adam Skinner, Stephen Underwood, Wimer, Richard Fulk, Edward, and Ralph de Hineburt, in exchange for the mill of Hedingham and the land belonging to that mill. He also grants 12*s.* 6*d.* rent from William Avis in Belchamp and 5*s.* rent from Payn, son of Ralph de Barle,¹ with his tenement, and in the vill of Colne all the land which

¹ Barle—Borley.

William Curt¹ held as far as the river, all the land which William, son of Adam, held for a rent of 4*d.*, and the land Pikot held in the same vill for 2*d.*, in exchange for the mill of the aforesaid Earl Aubrey and the land belonging to it. He also grants the land Ralph, son of Andrew, held of him for 18*d.*, and the land he holds in the field of William, son of Peter, for 6*d.*, in exchange for 2*s.* rent which the monks used to have in Colchester from the house of Vivus,² the Jew; also all the meadow which Robert de Slate³ held next the monks' meadow, in exchange for the land of Bainard and for 1*ac.* 1*rd.* which Walter,⁴ son of Turstan, used to hold and which the grantor has taken into his park of Colne.

This charter is possibly to be attributed to Aubrey de Vere, 2nd earl of Oxford, the witnesses are consistent with a date *c.* 1200. Of these, Geoffrey Grossus witnesses a charter of Ralph de Hosding, together with Aubrey de Ver, William son of Fulk, and Nicholas the chaplain, *East Anglian*, vol. vi., p. 346.

The lower half of folio 35 has been cut out; on the verso of the upper portion are faint traces of a charter of Aubrey de Vere.

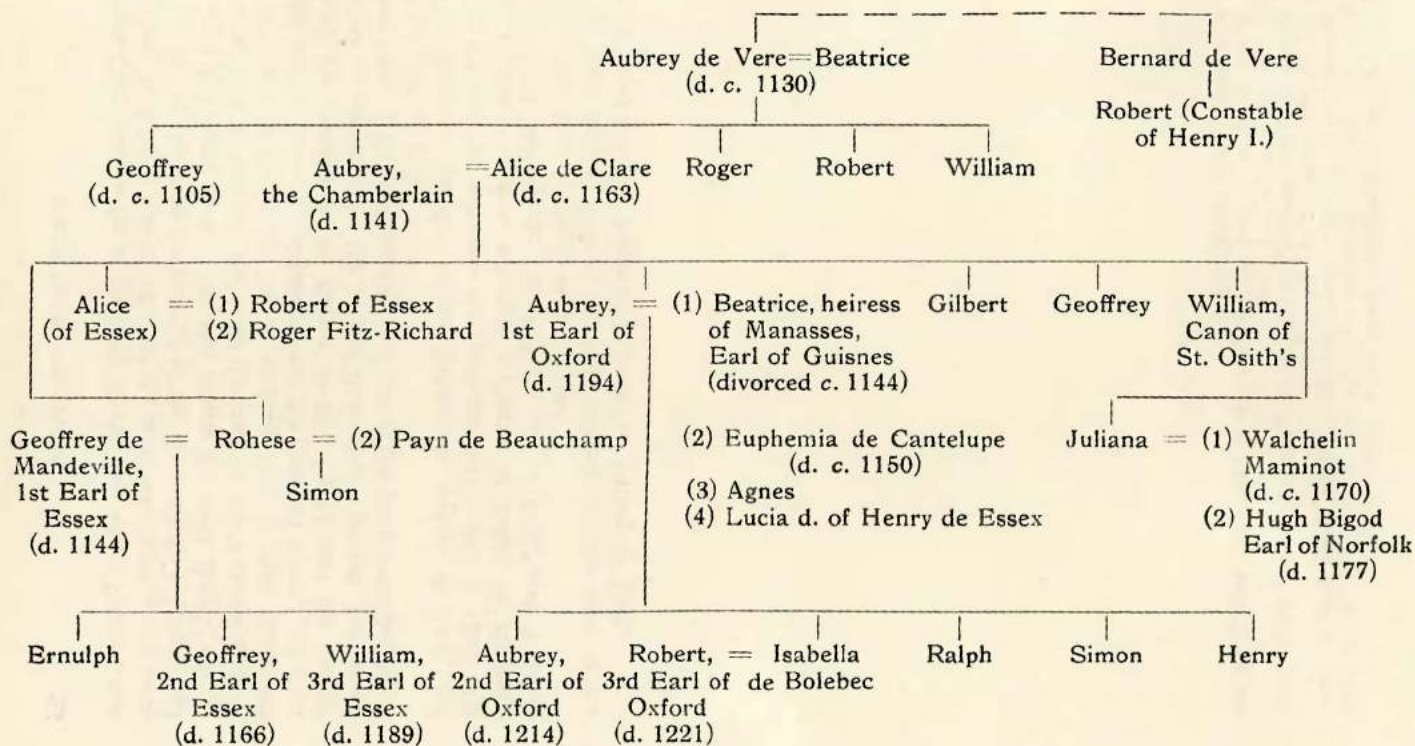
¹ A tenement later called Curds.

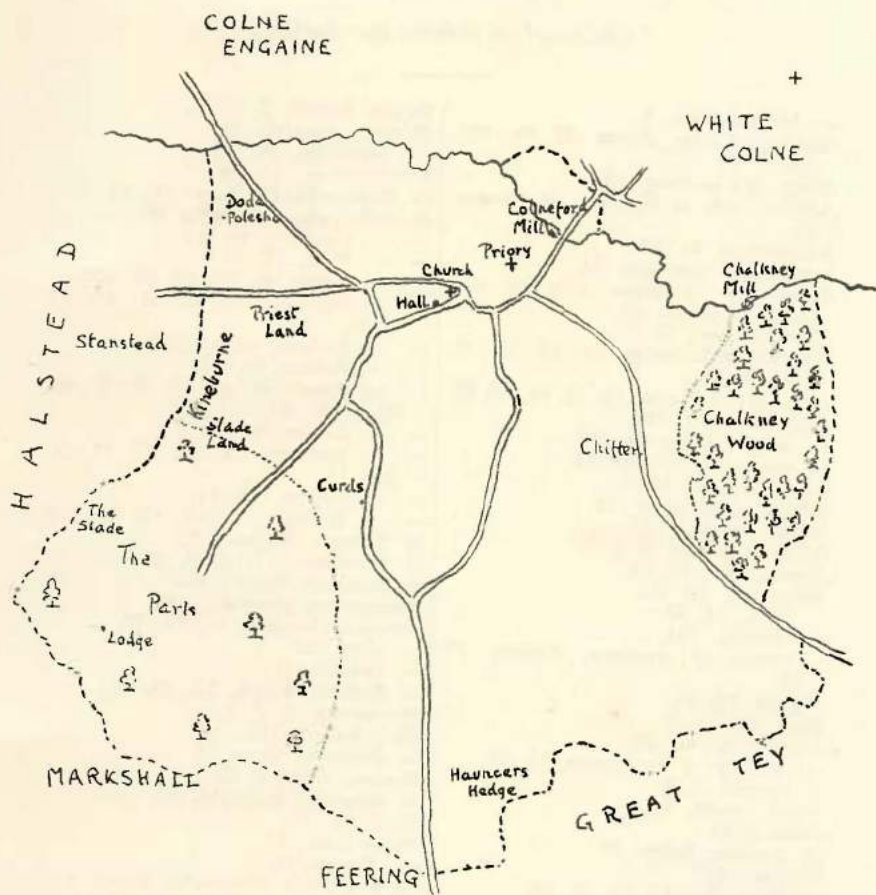
² Vivus, the Jew, appears on the Pipe roll of 1165-1166, and Vivus son of Jacob on the Pipe roll of 1192.

³ Robert de Slate probably is Robert at Slade. A field at Earls Colne near the Kineburne is called 'The Slade.'

⁴ Walter, son of Turstan, occurs in a fine of 1195, *Essex Feet of Fines*, vol. I., p. 16. He also witnesses a Gorhambury deed (vi. A. 58), a Petre deed (A. 120), and a Colchester deed, *Colch. Chart.*, p. 193.

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