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THE
HISTORY
OF KENT

In FIVE PARTS.

CONTAINING,

- I. An exact Topopgraphy or Description of the COUNTY.
- II. The CIVIL HISTORY of KENT.
- III. The ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY of KENT.
- IV. The HISTORY of the Royal Navy of ENGLAND.
- V. The NATURAL HISTORY of KENT.

VOL. I.

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TO THE
KING.

May it please Your MAJESTY,

TO accept, what is most peculiarly Your
Due, the Dedication of this Book.

Since 'tis the HISTORY of an eminent
Part of Your Dominions, which had the
Happiness to be under the Government of
some of Your Royal Ancestors, for near Four Hundred Years
together; and that too, as a distinct Kingdom by it self; and
the First of the Saxon Heptarchy; the Honour of which, Kent
still commemorates, by bearing the White Horse for the
Arms of the County.

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And as those Illustrious Saxon Heroes, when above a
Thousand Years ago called in by the Britons to save them
from Destruction, made Kent the first Place of their En=
trance, and of their Settlement; so this County thinks it self
much more bless'd and honour'd now, by Your Majesty's
having first Landed here.

For as Kent hath ever had Your Majesty's Interest entirely
at Heart, and hath with Duty, Affection and Zeal, on all
Occasions, promoted it; and as it gratefully acknowledges the
Deliverance it receiv'd by Your Majesty's Accession to the
Throne of these Realms, as the greatest of all Blessings, next
to the Continuance of it; so nothing can be more pleasing to
it, than the Honour and Favour of Your Majesty's Presence;

that we may Admire and Venerate that beneficent Goodness which always adorns Your Royal Aspect, and commands the Love and Esteem of all that behold You.

And permit me, GREAT SIRE, with all Duty and Humility to assure Your Majesty, that as I have been, at, and ever since the late happy Revolution, invariably attached to that most Just and Glorious Cause, and to Your Majesty's Title, Interest, and Government; so I will ever continue in the same Duty and Loyalty; and do the utmost I can to convince my Fellow Subjects, that notwithstanding the restless Endeavours of such as neither regard the Publick Good, nor their own, Your Majesty's steady Designs, and wise Measures, will render all Your People easy and happy; secure our Commerce, and advance our National Honour and Power.

And so extensive is Your Majesty's Wisdom, Goodness and Beneficence, that it is not confin'd only to Your own People: The Court of Vienna, and the Ottoman-Port, jointly acknowledge the Benefit of Your Mediation for the Peace they enjoy. And no one can now doubt, but that those

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mighty Alliances which Your Majesty hath formed, will, in Concurrence with the Divine Blessing, soon secure an advantageous and lasting One for all EUROPE.

That Your Majesty may be assisted by the Divine Blessing in all these Your Great and Generous Designs, for the Universal Good of Mankind, is, and shall always be the most hearty Prayer of,

SIRE,

YOUR MAJESTY'S

Most Dutiful, and Most Loyal
Subject and Servant,

JOHN HARRIS.

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THE PREFACE.

'TIS now about Eight Years since I began this Work; and though I have employed in it, with the utmost Care and Diligence, a good deal of the best Part of my Life, I am diffident whether what I have done will answer every ones Expectation.

Not that I fear the Censure of such as are really Judges, who are thoroughly acquainted with Things of this Nature, and who consider the Labour and Difficulties of finishing such an History: But perhaps I may be obnoxious to the rash Judgments of others, who though not equally qualified to distinguish, have Will and Power to do Prejudice, according as their Passions and Humours carry them.

And these have indeed already shew'd their Endeavours that way. They have often reported that this Book would never be finished at all, and that I had dropp'd the Design. While, indeed, some others have been so judicious as to know, that the longer it was kept in Hand, the better it would be.

Sometimes also they have been pleased to represent it as only a Party Book; and at others, as a trifling Collection and an useless Repetition of what had been already better done by former Writers.

But when a good Part of it came to be Printed off, and to be seen and considered, these Objections and Calumnies began to diminish, and at length to disappear. And I am sure, I can say with the utmost Sincerity, that I never had any such mean Designs nor Views; and that as I have done Justice to the Subject in general, as far as my Capacity could extend; so I have also to all Authors, Gentlemen, and Families, with the strictest Impartiality: And there is no Account of the Descent of any Manor or Estate in the County deficient, where I could get Information enough to bring it down to the present Possessors; and where either their own Personal Neglect, or Distrust of me, hath not deprived me of Communications from them: Which very Communications also have been solicited; not only by Personal Applications, and by express Words in my paper of Proposals; but also by repeated Advertisements in the Publick Prints.

But notwithstanding these Discouragements, I found Means to get a pretty tolerable Intelligence, even of those Affairs; and of others of that Nature: And my Materials, upon Search and Application, increased so fast upon me, that I found I could not, as I at first hoped and proposed, bring them, by any Means, into the Compass of one Volume. But that the Work would extend itself into another Book, very near as large as this.

However, by thus publishing this Volume First, I think no manner of Injustice or Hardship is done to my Subscribers: For as my Proposal was to give them a Book of about Two Hundred Sheets for the Price there proposed; this Volume, including the Copper Plates, contains more; without the Additional Price of Five Farthings per Sheet, there proposed, for what should exceed that Number.

The Subscribers therefore, in Consideration that some of them have been a long while out of their Money, shall have the Book at the Price proposed, though it cannot be sold so to others.

And whoever pleases to consider the Price of Paper, and Rolling-Presses for the Copper Plates, will easily see, that notwithstanding the Lords and Gentlemen have been at the Expence

of having their several Seats Designed and Engraved, yet the Paper, and the working them off, hath been at my Charge: And exceeds that of so many Printed Sheets of Copy, provided neither the Maps, nor any other Copper Plates, had cost me any Thing; as they indeed have been very expensive; besides my

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Expences in visiting all Places in the County, and the Charge of Books, &c.

Having given this Account of the Expence of this Work, I next proceed to acknowledge the Helps and Assistance I have had in composing it; and to return the several Gentlemen my grateful Acknowledgments.

The famous Dr. Plott seems to have had a Design of Writing the History of this County, after the Manner that he did those of Oxfordshire and Staffordshire: And for this, as I am told by some of his Family, he had a Patent to be one of the Kings at Arms; and another, to be Register of the Herald's-Office: These were great Encouragements: But he died before he made any Progress in it.

All that I had the Favour of obtaining from his Papers of Collections, being only a Catalogue of some Manuscripts relating to Kent, (which I design to Print at the End of the Second Volume, much Corrected and Enlarged by my own Enquiries and Researches,) and a Discourse upon the Roman Ways in this County; which, in Company with Dr. Brown, he visited in Person, in the Year 1690; as I have done since, several times, with due Care and Caution; and indeed I have also done so by almost all Parts of Kent.

From Sir Basil Dixwell, of Brome in this County, Baronet, I had the Favour of many most useful and valuable Manuscripts relating to the Cinque-Ports, and to Dover-Castle; and others also I had from the late Mr. Turner of Ileden, of the same Nature; from both which I had very good Assistance, with regard to the Accounts I have here given of those Ports, &c.

I had also the great Favour of a General Order from the Right Honourable the Earl of Dorset, Lord Warden of the Cinque-Ports; for all his Officers in Dover-Castle, and elsewhere, to communicate all Manuscripts, Papers, Registers, &c. to me: And among other Helps and Encouragements to this Work, which his Lordship kindly obliged me with, I had the Perusal of a fair Pedigree of his Ancient Family, from whence I took many Things of Use to me in my Design.

From Francis Barrell, Esq; Recorder of Rochester, I had some very useful Manuscripts relating to the State of that City, and to the Bridge; which I believe had been collected by Sir Richard Head.

And from our own Archives in Rochester Cathedral, I had those Two most Ancient, Useful and Valuable Manuscripts, the Textus Roffensis, and the Custumale Roffense: The former of which was begun about the Year 1115, and the latter about 1325; both of which being so often mentioned in the Body of this History, there needs no further Account to be here given of them. And the Contents of the former I shall Publish under the Life of Ernulfus, that Bishop of Rochester who compiled it.

We have also in the Archives of the Church of Rochester, many Hundreds of Original Charters; being Grants and Donations to the Priory of Rochester, Leeds-Abbey, Strode-Hospital, &c. from whence I gathered many very useful Collections, as will appear in several Parts of this, but much more in the Second Volume, where I treat largely of the Religious Houses in this County.

The Learned Mr. Forster, Rector of Crundale, though often mentioned in this Book, must not be omitted here; from whom I have received very great Help and Assistance in this Work; and that not only by his own Communications to me, but also by his Friendly Representation of my Design to several Persons that had taken Prejudice against it, and its Composer.

The Assistances I have had from several other Gentlemen, with Relation to the State of the Royal Navy, and the Four Docks, and to some Religious Houses, Schools, Hospitals, Natural History, &c. shall be particularly acknowledged in the next Volume, where those Subjects are largely treated of. And though I hope and beg for many more from them, I must here mention the kind Communications I had from Roger Meredith, Esq; of Leeds Abbey, Dr. Tenison, and John Savage, Esq; of Boughton Monchensy. As also the many Friendships I have received from my old Friend, the Worthy William Dewe, of Lamberhurst, Esq; who hath not only promoted my Subscriptions, and obtained me several useful Communications; but did also accompany me himself in my Perambulations (to use Mr. Lambard's Word) over several Parts of the County. I am obliged also with great Respect and Gratitude to acknowledge the Favour I had from the Lord Chief Baron Gilbert, of Ireland, a Gentleman of this County; who, when my Affairs detained me in that Kingdom, was so kind as to peruse and correct my Discourse of the Cinque-Ports, and of Gavelkind; of Romney-Marsh, and the Weald; and I had also the Advantage of free Recourse to the Dering Library at Sunderden; where are many Manuscripts, and Collections relating to this County, of great Value; and from Mr. Fellows also, Jurat of Sandwich, I was favour'd with many Papers

relating to the Affairs of that Place, and to the Cinque-Ports. I had also some good Helps from the Archbishop's Library at Lambeth, and from that of the Cathedral Church of Canterbury.

My worthy Friend John Godfrey, Esq; of Norton-Court, did also oblige me with many useful Communications; as did the late Captain George Weller, of Tunbridge, with regard to the Ancient Liberties and Extent of the Lowy of that Name.

I am also in a particular Manner obliged to acknowledge the Friendship and Civility of Mr. Holmes, Keeper of the Records in the Tower of London, who gave me free Liberty of consulting any Manuscript in that Office.

As I must also the Kindness of Mr. Peter le Neve, Norroy King at Arms, and of Mr. Hare, Richmond Herald, who not only assisted me in getting Materials from the Li-

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brary of the College of Arms, but furnished me with many Things from their own private Collections.

From the obliging Brown Willis, of Whaddon-Hall in Bucks, Esq; I had also the Lists of the several Knights of the Shire, and of the Members for the Parliamentary Burghs in this County.

And thus having gratefully acknowledged the Assistances of my Friends, I shall proceed to acquaint you what you are to expect in this Volume, and what must be deferred till the next.

In the first Book, I treat of the Honour, Dignity, Name, Extent, Bounds, First Inhabitants, and Division of Kent: Its Hundreds and Liberties.

Next to this follows a large and accurate Account in an Alphabetical Order, of the several Cities, Towns and Parishes in the County; a Description of the several Manors, and eminent Places; with the Descent of the Estates, generally speaking, down to the present Possessors: Wherein, whatever I could collect, with regard to the Antiquities, and particular Histories of each Place, hath been inserted, in order to render what would else have been but a dry and tedious Topography, a tolerable Mixture of useful and entertaining Matter. For at the Places where they were begun or Perpetrated, I give you the Histories of that famous Impostor, the Nun of Kent; of the Eminent Rebellions of Wat Tyler, and his Accomplices; of Jack Cade, and of Sir Thomas Wyatt: The History of Sir John Old-Castle: Occasional Dissertations on some Roman Antiquities found in Kent; Old Saxon Customs, Ports, Forts, &c. The Ancient Court of Shipway, &c. Some Saxon Wills; an Account of their Coins,

Money, &c.

The History of Dover-Peer, Rochester-Castle; the Ancient Ordeal Tryals: The Liberty of the Lowy of Tunbridge, &c.

And here are introduced fair Copper Plates of the Seats and Houses of the most eminent Nobility and Gentry of the County; a new Map of Kent, another of Romney-Marsh; Dover-Castle, &c. and of the Isle of Thanet; a Map of the Ancient Beacons; with several other Plates of Antiquities, &c.

The Third Part of the First Book, contains a large Account of that Ancient Track, called the Wild, or Weald of Kent; of Romney-Marsh, the Time of its Inning, its Laws, Charters and Customs. Of the Rise, and Course of the Rivers of Kent: A full Account of the Roman Ways, Stations, Camps, Castles, Ports and Forts of this County; and occasionally, of some other Monuments of Antiquity.

The Second Book contains, (1.) The Civil History of Kent; something of its State before, but particularly, when the Romans came hither; with a large Account of Cæsar's Two Descents upon this County.

2. The Transactions of the Saxons in Kent; the History of the Kings of Kent; with several of their Saxon Laws, published at Length; not before extant in our Language, nor in Lambard's Archaionomia.

3. The Transactions of the Danes in Kent; their several Invasions of it; their Battels and Exploits here.

4. The Succession and History of the Earls of Kent. And,

5. Of the Sheriffs of this County; and of several Gentlemen of Kent, who have been in Eminent Posts of the Law: A List of the Kentish Gentlemen in King Henry the VIth's Reign, and of the Baronets: Of the Knights of the Shire, and the Members of Parliament, for the several Burghs and Cinque-Ports.

6. Next to this follows a Treatise of Gavelkind, shewing its Original, Name and Nature: To which is annexed, the Ancient Customal of Kent, in old French, and English.

7. The History of the Cinque-Ports; treating largely of their Original, Design, Services, Laws, Courts, Customs, Charters and Privileges, with the Causes of their Decay, &c.

The Second Part of the Second Book, begins with the Ecclesiastical History of Kent: In which you have a particular Account,

1. Of the Archbishoprick and Diocese of Canterbury, and of the Archbishop's Election.

2. Of the Cathedral Church of Canterbury, and of the Ancient Palace of the Archbishop there.

3. Memoirs of the Lives of all the Arch=

bishops of Canterbury, from Austin to the present Metropolitan.

And this Volume concludes with an Account of the Deans and Archdeacons, and with Lists of the Prebendaries of the Church of Canterbury.

To which is annexed, a very full and accurate Index; with the Coats of Arms of the Ancient and Present Gentlemen of Kent, blazoned after each Name.

I have indeed given you no Index Authorum in any solemn Manner; nor have I, where I could avoid it, crowded the Margin, or Bottom of my Pages, with large and numerous Citations; chusing rather to leave it to the Honest Reader's Courtesy and Candor, to judge what Pains I have taken in Compiling it, than to make a Pompous Shew of Quotations, or Authors; whom if they can't find out by the Work, that I have consulted, I don't desire my Margin should shew. But this I will beg their Favour to believe, that I give them nothing, without being supported by the best Authority I could get.

The next Volume will begin with the History of the Cathedral Church of Rochester; the Lives of the Bishops, from the first, down to this present one; with Lists of the Deans, Archdeacons, and Prebendaries of that Cathedral, carried down from the Beginning also to this present Time.

Next to this will follow an Account of such Eminent Men of this County, as have been famous in History, for Arts and Learning, or

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for Eminent Employments Civil or Military, and who are not before taken Notice of in this Volume.

The Second Part of the next Volume will contain the History of all the Religious Houses, Chantries, Chapels, Preceptories, and Commanderies; and of the Hospitals, Schools, and other Charitable Benefactions in this County; with their Founders, Times of Erection, Designs, and Regulations. This will be a very large Part, and will proceed in an Alphabetical Order, as that of the Towns and Parishes did in Vol. I.

The Third Part, will be the History of the Royal Navy of Great-Britain; and of its Rise, Progress, and Improvement; with large Observations on, and Comparisons between, the Ancient and Modern Shipping.

This Dissertation, which I think perfectly New, I was led into by considering the State of the Four Eminent Docks in this County; Chatham, Deptford, Woolwich, and Sheerness, Situated on the Two Eminent Rivers, Thames and Medway; and where our Ships of War are usually Built and Repaired. And at the End shall be given as accurate a List

as I can form, of all the Ships of the Royal Navy, when Built, where, and by whom; with their Length, Breadth, Depth, Tuns, Guns, Men, &c.

The Fourth and last Part will contain the Natural History of Kent; wherein I shall treat largely and carefully, on all Things relating to that Subject, of which the State and Produce of Kent can give me Instances. As in particular, of Tunbridge, and other Medicinal Waters, of the Iron and Coperas Works; and of whatever our Soil produces, either above or within its Surface; of the Improvements of all our Manufactures, as Hops, &c. with regard to Husbandry, Planting and Gardening; and to all Kinds of Mechanicks, Mills, Engines, &c.

And I must acquaint the Reader, that the Materials for all these Heads are got ready, and a good Part of them are Transcribed; and that this Second Volume will go to the Press in a short Time after the Publication of this: And if I have no unavoidable Interruption, shall be Printed off with all possible Expedition.

And after having said this, give me Leave to conclude this Preface nearly with those Words which Dr. Plott used, at the End of his Natural History of Staffordshire.

'And thus shall conclude this History of Kent; in the Writing whereof, though I dare not think, much less can assure the Reader, that I have made no Mistakes in my Relations; yet I am inclined to believe, there are none very material, I am sure none wilful. However, I do sincerely promise them never to offend in the like Manner again, after the Edition of my Second Volume; being fully resolved never to publish any more such Histories, (though I think I never was so fit as now) unless commanded by a Power which I cannot resist.'

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An ODE in Praise of KENT.

Part of which was formerly Sung at a FEAST of the Gentlemen of that COUNTY.

Introduc'd with Instrumental Musick.

Sweet Melody! the Charm repeat!
We watch the Birth of Sound.
To please the Mind's a Feast compleat:
Kent's Sons must, ev'ry Way, with Harmony be crown'd.
Again inform the willing Lyre,
With Notes that might Apollo charm,
Sweet and prevailing, like his Fire,
That please, and melt us, as they warm.
Lo! I confess the varied Pow'r;
Entranc'd, and rapp'd with Joy, I tow'r.
Energetic Sounds! support the Soul you raise,
Kent claims my Verse this happy Hour.

Help, Genius of the Day, to praise,
The Darting of thy Rays.

Blest Land, Pride of the noblest Isle,
On whom the World's bright Eye can smile!
The Parent Orb that round us rous,
All views, illumines, and in-souls,
Thy fair well-temper'd Race admires:
Pleas'd with thy Blessings, pleas'd in thee,
With Elemental Harmony;
The Product of his genial Fires.

The Valiant, blended with the Wise;
The Charms of Mind, and Charms of Eyes,
Here reconcil'd are found:
Rich Towns for Trade, fair Plains for Sports;
Vales Fruitful, and commodious Ports,
With Wealth amphibious crown'd.
Her still the gen'rous Depp and Soil
(Prolific Mines) give, free from Toil,
The Silver Scaly Tribe, and growing Golden Fleece.
All Dainties Heav'n like Manna yields,
While, on the Blue or verdant Fields,
Recruiting, they Encrease.

Along thy Fertile Sides,
The Swelling Tames with Plenty loaded glides,
Enriching thee with tributary Tides.
Safe there, and in thy Medway's watry Bed,
The floating Guard of Britain's Wealth and Trade,
In State triumphant rides.
Her Fleets their Being owe to thee;
Thou her sure Bulwark; Europe's She.
Nor dost thou raise those Giant Frames alone,
(Whose Pow'r ev'n Neptune's self must own:)
To rule where-e'er expanded Ocean rous;
Thou fill'st those Bodies with Heroick Souls.
They journey with the Sun, they join each Hemisphere;
And spread alike thy Pow'r, and Blessings ev'rywhere.
So well set out for Peace and War,
What may not Albion dare!

Nor shall the Royal Pile unsung remain,
Where Kent enrich'd the Earth
With great Eliza's Birth.
The mighty Genius of thy Reign,
Thou Prior Empress of the Main,
Taught Britain to surround the Ball;
And Foes no Fleets but thine invincible to call.
Plac'd near the Stores of Naval War,
'Twas just thy Native Palace there,
Shou'd like a Phœnix rise;
And on thy Shore, O Hospitable Land,
Still Sacred to Sea-Honour, stand,
The Port of Ancient Worth, thence wafted to the Skies.

Sweet Liberty, the Briton's Boast,
To thy Son's indulgent most,
Bids here Succession be secure,
And Titles still endure:
For Vertues with Estates come down,
And from the Father bless the Son.

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Great Souls, with Plenty rais'd aspire:

A gen'rous Spirit, ev'n in Swains,
Enlarg'd with Ease, and Freedom Reigns,
That Heav'nly double Gift, the Food of manly Fire.
The Blessing flows, as Pleasure glides with Health,
From thy reviving Springs;
And shar'd by all the happy Subject's Wealth,
Here magnifies the Kings.

Kent, early Pious, early Great,
Fair Albion's Front, her awful Head;
Her Neighbour's Envy, Wish, and Dread;
Thy self a Royal State!
All Rock, all Fortress to their Sight;
To thy blest Sons, all Eden, all Delight!
While fond of thee, untaught to yeild,
They're first to take, and last to quit the Field;
Secure the Eastern World you face:
Nor can the Greater Mate the Less.

The First Great William, fortunate and brave,
Who came to Conquer, as the Last to Save,
When on to Kent with Victor Troops he rode,
Late of a Thousand Ships the Load,
Britain, which He who half the Globe cou'd awe,
Great Cæsar, little more than saw,
Bow'd to the Norman Law.

The Sons of Kent alone the Tyde withstood;
Of Right tenacious; singular in Good;
Unshaken, tho' the only unsubdu'd.
In Arms collected all agree,
To Live and Die, like their Great Fathers, free.
Grasp'd with one Hand, the threatenng Steel they sway'd:
The other, Verdant Boughs display'd.
In dire Array, thus dreadful from afar,
Invasion's living Bar,
On the Brow of the threaten'd Land,
The moving Forest made a dreadful Stand.
The Warrior King, mov'd at the doubtful Sight,
So equal both for Friendship, or for Fight,
A Parley sounds; pleas'd ev'n in Foes, to see
Spirits so worthy to be free.
They come, they answer'd, negligent of Life,
By Friendly Peace, or gen'rous Strife,
To claim their dearer Liberty, and Right.
Undaunted Race, the Hero cry'd,
Such Virtue cannot be deny'd.
Take more from me than Foes can claim,
My Friendship; nay, my Conqu'ror's Name.
Thus to your Rights, and Valour true,
'Tis more, like you, to dare, than Kingdoms to subdue.

P. MOTTEUX.
E Normania Britannus.

N. B. This Gentleman being, during his Life-time, very desirous that this POEM should be inserted, I am obliged by Promise to him to do it here: And though some Things in it are shewn in this History not to be consistent with Truth; yet their having been generally received as true, is sufficient to justify their being brought into a POEM.

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A LIST of the SUBSCRIBERS Names to Dr. HARRIS's History of KENT.

A.

The Right Honourable the Earl of

Abercorn.

Abel Alleyne, Esq; of Squirries in
Kent.

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B.

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His Grace the Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieute=
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Sir Brook Bridges, of Goodneston in Kent,
Baronet.

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Thomas Barrett, of Kent, Esq;

Mr. William Buck, Attorney at Milton in Kent.

Robert Balle, of Kensington, Esq;

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The Reverend Mr. Thomas Bowers, Prebendary of
Canterbury.

The Reverend Mr. Henry Briggs, Minister of
Loose in Kent.

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Mr. Burgis, Bookseller in Canterbury.

Dr. John Bettsworth, Dean of the Arches.

— Bathurst, Esq; of Kent.

The Reverend Mr Thomas Blennarhaysett.

Walter Bagnall, Esq; of Idrone in Ireland.

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THE Right Honourable the Lord Colepeper.

The most Reverend the Archbishop of Canter=
bury.

The Right Honourable the Earl Cowper.

Mr. William Coke, His Majesty's Secretary of
Virginia.

The Right Honourable the Lord Carteret.

Mr. Benjamin Collier, Merchant, in Lime-

street.

Mr. William Cornish, of Glamorgan.
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Roger Clavell, of the Temple, Esq.
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John Crew, of Queen-Square, Esq;
Sir Nicholas Carew, of Beddington in Surrey,
Baronet.
Captain William Cartwright, of Golden-Square.
Mr. John Carpenter, of Kensington.
The Reverend Mr. Cradock, of Rainham in Kent.
Mr. Colson, Master of the Mathematical-School
in Rochester.
Dr. Robert Coney, of Rochester.
Mr. Joseph Coysgarne, of Canon-street.
The Reverend Mr. George Carleton, Gentleman of
the King's Chapel.
Mr. George Carter, of Crundale in Kent.
Dr. Samuel Clark, Rector of St. James's West=
minster.
Anthony Collins, of Baddow in Essex, Esq;
The Reverend Dr. Knightley Chetwood, Dean of
Gloucester.
Mr. John Carter, Silk-Merchant in London.
Edward Chapman, of Moldash in Kent, Esq;
Thomas Curteis, of Wye in Kent, Gent.
— Craggs, Esq; Post-Master-General.

D.

THE Right Honourable the Earl of Dorset.
Charles Dent, Esq; late Commissioner of the
Salt-Office.
The Lord Bishop of Drummore in Ireland.
Sir Thomas D'Aeth, of Knolton, Baronet.
Sir Christopher Desbouverie, of Kent, Baronet.
Jacob Desbouverie, of Kent, Esq;
Charles Dubois, Esq; Treasurer to the East-India
Company.
Colonel William Delaune, of Sharstede in Kent,
Esq;
The Reverend Mr. Charles Dunbar, of Essex.
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An Account of the Antiquities in Mr. GODFREY's Plate, Page 248.

A. THE Roman Ligula Mensalis.

B. The Roman Cochleare Sacrum.

C. The Roman Strigilis.

D. The Cochleare Mensale used by the Romans.

E. A Brass Lunula, which the Romans used to hang
upon the Breat-plates of their Horses.

F. The Bulla worn by the Roman Boys.

G. A Roman Vessel, which with another I had of
the same Form given me by Dr. Coney of Rochester,
was found in the bottom of the River Medway, over
against Gillingham.

H. An old Ring, with the Figures of Three Saints
upon it, found in Norton Parish.

I. A very fine Roman Dish, of Red Metal, with the
Vervain wrought on it round the Rim; it was dragg'd
up by the Fishermen out of the Sea, just against
Reculver.

K. An old British Coin found by the Plowmen, in
the Parish of Tenham in Kent.

L. A Saxon Gold Coin; I believe as yet undescrib'd.
In the Custody of John Godfrey, Esq;

M. Another small British Coin.

N. A Gold Coin of Julius Nepos, Son of Nepoti=
anus, who obtained the Roman Empire about A. D.
474, upon Glycerius being conquered. He was after=
wards killed by his own Domesticks in Dalmatia, A. D.
480. This Medal is mentioned Page 366, and was
found in a Plow'd Field in Wodensburgh Parish.

O. The Figure of the Saxon Idol Woden; or Odinus:
Which Odinus was the first of the Royal Saxon
Family.

P. A Roman Earthen Vessel of a peculiar Figure,
dug up at Caicoll-Hill in Kent.

Q. Represents a Dent or Impression upon it before
it was Baked.

R. A Roman Vessel of Brass.

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Page 1. Col. 2. Line 3. read Shipway; p. 5. c. 1. l. 3 from the Bottom, after Sex, add which; p. 34. c. 1. l. 58. for above, read near; p. 36. c. 1. l. 10. for Sixteen read Eighteen; p. 49. c. 2. at the End of Number 2. add, But it is now become the Seat of Sir Christopher Powel, Baronet; p. 72. c. 2. after Time, in l. 11. add, But it is now by Purchase, become the Seat of Rowland Tryon, Esq; Merchant in London; o. 120. c. 2. after the Account of Smith's-Hall, add, and this is now the Seat of John Brewer, Esq; and is wrong placed; for 'tis in West-Farley; p. 121. c. 1. l. 14. after Grocer dele the Three following Lines, and instead of them, read, But is now in the Possession of the Heirs of Mr. John Amherst, late of East-Farley; p. 164. c. 2. Line 25. read 1582. Line 26. read Coutys; Line 33. read Toddy; Line 35. read Bullar; p. 183. c. 2. Line 23. for Nunnery, read Nun; p. 185. c. 1. in the last Line save one, read William Huggeson, Esq; p. 208. c. 1. Line 36. read Railed in; p. 390. c. 1. after Gods dele they; p. 407. c. 2. the Three last Lines should follow after Line Nine, in the Page following; p. 438. c. 1. at the End of the Baronets add, Sir Barnham Rider, of Boughton-Mon=chensies; Sir Thomas D'Aeth, of Knowlton, Sir Brook Bridges of Goodneston; p. 44. c. 2. at the end of the Baronets, add, Sir Brook Bridges of Goodneston; p. 565. at the end of Cranmer's Life, add, N. B. This Book of Wards was actually Printed and Published; and was pretended to have been Printed at Hamburgh 1710; p. 566. c. 1. Line 11. from the Bottom, for Kent, read Trent; p. 582. c. 1. Line 23. from the Bottom, for Chichester, read Chester; p. 446. for Stephen Lennard, Baronet, among the Knights of the Shire, read David Polhill, Esq; p. 436. for Betteson, read Bet=tenson, Baronet; p. 487. dele the last Line.

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