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EDITOR'S PREFACE.

Our Society has already printed, in the Tract Series of which this volume is the latest, two short works by Sir Daniel Fleming of Rydal, his Surveys of Cumberland and of Westmorland. These Memoirs were long lost, and his own manuscript, if there was such in any complete form, is still unknown; but an early copy was found and transcribed by Mr. R. E. Porter, and with the leave of Stanley Hughes le Fleming Esq., of Rydal Hall, is now printed.

The MS. is on 2 + 58 pages of foolscap paper, watermarked GR under a royal crest, followed by 5 pages and two sheets inset, some of which have as watermark the royal arms quartering France, in a band inscribed 'Honi soit qui mal y pense,' surmounted with a crown. One inset has a watermark of a figure standing on a tomb and holding up a cup or crescent on a long staff, surrounded with an inscription beneath a crown. This last paper is in a rather late eighteenth century hand, but the body of the book is earlier. The whole is half-bound in marbled paper boards, the original pages cropped; the latest entry in the supplementary papers inset refers to 1747. This suggests that the copy was made rather early in the eighteenth century, after King George's accession, but not long after. This copy came to Rydal Hall from Ponsonby.

The date of the compilation of the original Memoirs must be after 1681, when Sir Daniel was knighted, but before 1684, while Dr. Thomas Smith was still Dean of Carlisle. A few headings for intended sections or paragraphs suggest that the loose papers were never quite
completed into the form of a book, prepared for publication; and indeed the author obviously meant his work as a record to be kept in the family, rather than to be given to the public. In spite of that, the care with which he compiled his history is shown by his marginal references to documents in his possession. He does, indeed, notice a few traditions or theories about the possible origin and connexions of his family, but always with caution; most of his work, when it is not from his personal knowledge, is pieced together from charters and other evidences which he quotes with care.

He kept his deeds in boxes docketed to the manors with which they dealt. The boxes have lately been refound in the office of the family lawyer, and in themselves they are curious as relics; but their contents had been dispersed and can now be only partly replaced. Mr. Porter has, however, found three out of five of Sir Daniel's own lists of these groups of 'evidences'; and as they are of considerable historical interest they are added as appendices to this volume. It will be observed that the reference numbers to the deeds are not always the same in the later Memoirs as those in the boxes of twenty years earlier; but the transcript has been given with care to represent the original.

The Memoirs were evidently consulted by Father West for his Antiquities of Furness, published in 1774, and by Nicolson and Burn, 1777, but neither the Memoirs nor the newly-found documents were available when the Royal Commission for Historical MSS. visited Rydal, and the information contained in all these has not been used in modern county histories. When the transcript was communicated to the Rev. J. R. Magrath, D.D., Provost of Queen's College, Oxford, who by his monumental volumes of The Flemings in Oxford is the chief authority on the subject, he replied: "There can be no question, I think, of the desirability of the Memoirs being printed
in the Tract Series. The greater fullness with which the documents referred to in Nicolson & Burn are quoted in the Memoirs, and the much greater number of those which are given, would by itself be a great consideration as allowing in most cases the dates of the documents, most of which are not specially given, to be determined by consideration of the dates when known of the witnesses to them. Let me thank you very warmly for the leave you have given me to see the document, which I shall hope to live to see in print.” In this edition the dates A.D. are inserted in the Index, in which the editor regrets two errors. On p. 119 under ‘Bindloss, Agnes’ the date should be ‘1576-1631’; and on pp 123, 124, Hugh Fleming’s date should be ‘1532-57’ and his grandson William’s ‘1557-1600.’

Dr. Magrath remarked further: “The personal flavour is very alluring,” and the reader can hardly fail to agree. None of our older local worthies has been so much discussed as Sir Daniel Fleming. He has been represented by sentimental sectaries as an ogre; but the history of religious and political movements in his time, especially in his district, has never yet been written with the fullness and candour required by so intricate a subject. This is not the place to discuss it or to attempt an estimate of his character without going into far more detail than a preface allows. But the reader who is not interested in his ‘evidences’ of medieval transactions cannot fail to see, in his Advice to his Son, the portrait of a shrewd and kindly soul, with many rough experiences in retrospect, in the difficult period when Charles II was ‘such an unconscionable time in dying’ while England was working up to the Revolution, and the country gentleman, trying to do his best in the turmoil, had a dog’s life. Sir Daniel found a resource in his antiquarian studies; and in an age when the best antiquaries were speculating upon insufficient data, he went to the facts, with a perfectly modern
attitude of mind. Looked at as a historian, he takes a high place in the narrow province of local studies. And when we remember that on such local studies all true history is built, the value of his work looms larger as we see it in the distance, rising like the bulk of Helvellyn above all the petty eminences that blocked it from nearer view. He was indeed the worthy successor to that great man John Denton of Cardew, pioneer of the labours of the Cumberland and Westmorland antiquaries.
SIR DANIEL FLEMING,
from the portrait at Rydal Hall.

Photo. J. Banks, Ambleside.

TO FACE P. 1.
THE MEMOIRS OF
SIR DANIEL FLEMING.

THE EARLS OF FLANDERS.

A.D.

864. 1. Baldwin 1st Earl of Flanders.
879. 2. Baldwin 2.
918. 3. Arnulph, son of Baldwin 2d.
960. 4. Baldwin 3. son of Arnulph.
964. 5. Arnulph 2. son of Baldwin 3.
1071. 10. Robert son of Baldw. 5. & Bror. of Baldw. 6.
1118. 13. Charles, Son of Canutus King of Denmark and Adelize ye Daught'r. of Robert 1.

As for ye rest of ye Earls of Flanders, & concerning ye Earls of Artois, I refer you to my Author quoted in ye margin

* The marginal references are explained by Sir D. Fleming in his list of Abbreviations:—

Beck. Writings in Beckernet-Box, mark'd A.B.C. &c.
Cb. Cambden's Britannia in English, Fol. L. 1637.
Con. Writings in Conington-Box, mark'd A.B.C. &c.
The Arms of Flanders were, Or, a Lion sable, langued & armed, Gules.

William Duke of Normandy, ye seventh in descent from Rollo received great Aid (towards his conquest of England) from Baldwin Earl of Flanders (a man for his wisdom & Power both reverenc’d and fear’d even by Kings) then Governour of France (the King being under age) whose Daughter Matilda (or Maud) Duke Willm. had taken to wife; but because she was his Cousin German, He was for his marriage excommunicated by his own Uncle Mauger Archbishop of Roan. Hereupon He sued to Pope Victor, and obtained of Him a Dispensation; & afterwds. so wrought, that by a Provincial Council his Uncle Mauger was depriv’d of his Dignity. But by this means both He and his Issue were firmly lock’d in Obedience to ye See of Rome; for yt upon ye Authority of that place ye Validity of his Marriage, and consequently ye Legitamation of his Issue seem’d to depend.

MEMOIRS

of the Family of the Flemings, heretofore of Flanders, afterwards of ye Dominion or Manor of Aldingham and the manor or Castle of Gleston, within ye County of

Dw. Dugdale’s Warwickshire, Fol. L. 1656.
Kirk. Writings in Kirkland-Box, mark’d A.B.C. &c.
Monk. Writings in Monk-Hall-Box, mark’d A. &c.
Ryd. writings in Rydal-Box, mark’d A, B, C, etc.
Skir. Writings in Skirwith-Box, mark’d A, B, C, &c.

The six boxes containing deeds relating to the various estates have long since been emptied and their contents scattered; some of the boxes have been re-found and many of the documents can be collected into them. But the appendix to this volume gives Sir Daniel’s own calendars of his Rydal, Beckermet and Kirkland deeds, and the references are given in the margin, as he wrote them, to show his scrupulous and scholarly method of compiling his memoirs. The marginal references here are the author’s; the footnotes are the editor’s.
Lancaster; of Caernarvon Castle & ye Manor of Beckermet in ye county of Cumberland and of ye Manor of Coningston in ye said county of Lancaster, and now of Rydal-Hall within ye County of Westmorland. Collected out of Records, Charters, Original Evidences, Leiger-Books, manuscripts & other authentick Authorities.

That all Things perish by Age & Time, or some unhappy Accidents, is a Thing not to be denied; ye Consideration whereof hath not a little incited me to ye undertaking of this present work, wch after no small Pains, being thus finish’d, I offer unto my Heirs, as ye most Proper persons, to whom I think it can be presented; wherein they may see somewhat of their worthy ancestors, to whose memory I have erected it as a monumental Pillar, to shew in what Honour they lived in those flourishing Ages past.

Flanders (from whence this Family had its Surname) is a Part of Belgium or ye Lower Germany and one of ye seventeen Provinces; wch though but one of them, yet heretofore gave Denomination to all ye Netherlands; ye People of wch were once generally call’d by ye name of Flemings; and that either for ye Power of that Province, in regard of ye others, or by reason of ye great Trade & Traffick, formerly driven at ye Fairs or Marts of Bruges (a Town thereof) by ye merchants of all Parts of Europe; or in respect that lying nearer than ye rest to France, Spain, Italy & England, that name was better known and taken notice of. But this was when ye whole Country was under ye command of many Princes, of wch ye Earls of Flanders were esteem’d most potent. And tho’ this Name continued also after ye Incorporation of most of these Provinces in ye House of Burgundy, at wch time they were called ye Estates of Flanders; yet since ye falling off of Holland and ye rest of ye United Provinces from ye Kings of Spain, it hath lost this Honour, ye name of Flanders being now restrain’d within narrower Bounds.

The Earldom of Flanders & Artois were anciantly if not
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Its Name—
Its Soyl—
How divided—
Its Inhabitants—
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Souldiers
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Cos. 367, 368

Forresters
Earls of Flanders,
a Part (as ye Parts hereof about Tourney most undoubtedly were) yet much of ye same nature with ye
great Forrest of Ardenne, nothing but a continual Wast of Woods and Desarts, till ye conquest of it by ye French;
ye Sea Coasts being then unpeopled for Fear of ye Danes, who by their frequent Piracies did much vex those Shores,
and ye Inland Countries meanly planted, for want of Corn and other Necessaries, for ye Life of Man. Subject in part
to ye great Princes of Ardenne till ye Discomfiture of Earl Brunnulph by Dagobert, sole King of ye French: By
whom about ye Year of our Lord 621. this wild country extending as far as ye River Some, and comprehending besides Artois & Flanders, a good part of Picardy, was given unto one Liderick le Bucq; with ye Title of Forrester, to be holden under ye Sovereignty of that crown. In
whose Posterity it continued with ye Title of Forresters till ye time of Baldwin ye 1st ye son of Odoacer, ye seventh
of ye Forresters, whose Names occur upon Record; there being a long Intermission of their Names and Memories,
during ye Ravages and Depredations of ye Danes & Normans. This Baldwin having married Judith, sister
to Charles ye Bald King of France & Emperor, was by him created Earl of Flanders, ye sovereignty thereof
reserved as before it was: In whose Issue it remain'd entire, till Philip ye 1st Earl of that Name, gave unto
Philip Augustus, K. of France ye country of Artois with ye Earldom or Country of Veromandois, Parts of Picardy
in marriage with Isabel his Niece, Daughter of Baldwin Earl of Hainalt. By Lewis 8th, son & successor of Philip
Augustus, Artois was given in Portion to his youngest son Robert, made ye First Earl of Artois by K. Lewis 9th
A.D. 1234. And by ye Marriage of Lewis 1st of Flanders, with Margaret ye Heir of Artois and of ye Earldom of
Burgundy, both these Estates were added unto this of Flanders, now made far mightier than before. And yet
before this great Accession of Estate it was accounted ye
Prime Earldom, as Millain* was ye Prime Dukedom of Europe; these Earls being privileg'd to write themselves Dei Gratia, all others Dei Clementia only, & Flanders being now grown abroad to so great esteem yt it was generally us'd for all ye Netherlands. Finally by ye marriage of Margaret, D[au]ghter of Lewis de Malain, Earl of Flanders, to Philip ye Hardy, Duke of Burgundy, this great Estate became united unto that House, and afterwards was conveyed to that of Austria.

The Earls of Flanders, A.D. 864, i, Baldwin 1st. &c.†

The first Fleming that I can find by any Record, Evidence or other authentick Authority, that was Lord of ye said manor [of Beckermet] was Michael le Fleming (Flaming, Flandreensis, or of Furness) Knight, who was also Lord of ye Dominion or Manor of Aldingham, & of ye Manor or Castle of Gleston in Furness within ye county of Lancaster: and as He was often called Michael of Furness, from his living at Gleston-Castle in Furness aforesaid; so gave he ye name of Mitchel-Land (or Michael Land) unto a great part of Furness, which continueth to be so call'd until this day. He was also call'd in some writings Flameng, and in some other, Flandreensis.

This Michael, being a very stout and active young man, & related unto Baldwin ye 5th Earl of Flanders aforesaid.§

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*Milan.
† This heading perhaps means an intention to insert here the list already given on p. 1.
‡ I.e. Muchland; 'much' for 'mickle,' confused with Michael. Much Woolton, near Liverpool, was in charters Magna or Mekil Wolveton.
§ The relationship of Michael le Fleming to earl Baldwin, if it existed, has still to be established. Various immigrants from Flanders settled in England at and after the Norman conquest; some of them founded families with the surname of Fleming, but their previous history and interconnexion, if any, are not known. It is hardly possible that Michael (I) le Fleming of Furness was employed under William the Conqueror. He is mentioned in local records first in 1127 and he lived until a little after 1180, so that he was probably born about 1100. But there is no reason to suppose that he was the first of his race.
was sent with some Flemings to ye aid of King William ye Conqueror, who with ye Forces wch he brought out of Flanders, did such good service for King William, as He sent this Michael with divers of his Countrymen northward, and gave him a fair estate in ye Counties of Lancaster & Cumberland, for his valiant & prudent Performances against ye Kings Enemies in that as well as in ye Southern Part of ye Kingdom. And He continued during his Life in such esteem with ye Conqueror & with his Sons (K. William Rufus & King Henry ye 1st) as when others of ye Earls of Flanders (& of Queen Maud his Daughter's) Relations & Country-Men were remov'd out of Cumberland & other parts of England into Wales and beyond Sea, yet this Michael, his Sons, & many of his Tenants, were permitted to continue in their Castles & Houses in Lancashire & Cumberland; divers of which are enjoy'd by their Issue Male until this Day.

The said Michael liv'd until He was very aged, and (as it is generally thought) He builded both Gleston-Castle and Caernarvon-Castle [Cumberland] aforemention'd; placing himself & his eldest son William at Gleston-Castle for ye better Defence of that Shore agst ye King's Enemies; & his second son Richard (for ye like Reason) at Caernarvon-Castle aforesd; wch hath continued in his issue Male until this Day. The Castle & Town of Gleston are plac'd in or near unto ye Dominion or Manor of Aldingham aforesd, wch Castle hath been very large & strong, con-

in these parts. "The Pipe Roll of 1130 refers to land at Carlisle, formerly belonging to Gueri the Fleming, who is presumably identical with Werri or Werric" of Weary Holme, Carlisle (Mr. T. H. B. Graham, in C. & W. Transactions, n.s. xxi, 140). John Denton, writing in or about 1610 and using sources not now extant, represents a colony of Flemings at Carlisle before 1100 and partly transplanted to other places in Cumberland early in the twelfth century (Accompt, edit. Ferguson, 101, 103). Flimby, anciently Flemingby, must have been one of these minor colonies; St. Nicholas' church there is named in the grant to St. Mary's, Carlisle, by Waldeve f. Gospatrick, 1123-50, sug-
gesting an early twelfth century foundation. We find, therefore, Flemings on the West Coast as well as in Furness at a time when Michael (I) was hardly old enough to be the first leader of these outposts of the Norman settlement.
taining four fair Towers of a great Height, besides many other Buildings with very thick walls. This Castle is seated very pleasantly in a fruitful Vale near a delicate Spring of Water which turneth two Mills with its Stream, amongst rich and pleasant Meadows & a little distant from a large & well built Town; all though plac’d not far from ye Sea, yet are defended from ye Inconveniencies thereof by fruitful Hills, which make this Castle and Town to be ye best seated in all that Country.*

This Michael assum’d ye Surname of Fleming, from Flanders, ye Country from whence He came; and his having a Surname so early, demonstrates him to be a Person of Note: for here in England it is certain, that as ye better Sort, even from the Conquest, by little & little took Surnames, so they were not settled amongst ye Common People fully, untill about ye Time of K. Edward ye 2d, but still varied according to ye Fathers name, as Richardson, if his Father was Richard, Hodgeson, if his Father was Roger, or in some other Respect; and from thenceforth began to be establish’d (some say by Statute) in their Posterity. To this I may also add that ye most Surnames in number, ye most ancient and of best account have been local, deduced from places in Normandy, and ye countries confining, being either ye Patrimonial Possessions, or native Places of such as served the Conqueror, or came in after.

He and his Posterity had commonly in Records & writings le prefix’d their Surname until King Edward the Fourth’s time, as Michael (or Mitchel) le Fleming, William le Fleming, Richard le Fleming &c. which proves ye Truth of ye observation of Mr Cambden that De & Le were religiously observ’d in some local names, until about that Time.

* That Michael the first may have built the motte and bailey castles of Carnarvon and Aldingham is probable, but Gleaston is of a much later foundation.

† The references ' Re ' and ' Ac.' below are not explained in the list, p. 19.
And here to observe it once for all in this Family; the Heirs Males took ye Surname of Fleming always since ye said Michael first assumed ye same; but divers of ye younger Sons changed their surnames and did take names of ye Lands allotted to them, or of ye Places where they seated themselves, as Rottington, Arloghden (now corruptly called Arlokenden) Frisington &c. wch was a thing done anciently in other Families of very good account as well as in this.

In fine, as no name is to be bragg’d of, so no surname whatsoever is to be dislik’d in respect either of original, or of Significations for neither ye good Names do grace ye bad, nor do evil Names disgrace ye good. If Names are to be accounted good or bad, in all Countries both good and bad have been of ye same surnames which as they participate, one with ye other, in glory, so sometimes in shame. Therefore for Ancestors, Parentage and Names (as Seneca saith) let every man say Vix ea nostra voco. Time hath intermingled and confus’d all, & we are come all to this present, by successive variable Descents from High and Low, or as He saith more plainly ye Low are descended from ye High & contrariwise ye High from ye Low.

Of ye Arms & Seals belonging to this Family pag. 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24.*

His marriage.

The said Michael le Fleming married . . . . . daughter of . . . . . by whom He had these Children: William le Fleming his eldest son to whom he gave his lordship of Aldingham & castle of Gleston with other lands in ye county of Lancaster: Richard le Fleming his second son to whom he gave his Castle of Caernarvon & Manor of Beckermet, with ye Homage & Service, Wards & Reliefs of all ye Freeholders of and in Frisington, Rottington, Weddikar, Kelton, Salter, Arloghden & Brunrigg in ye County of Cumberland, with other Lands in that County and in ye County of Lancaster, wch are yet possesst by his

* For this section see near the end of the present volume.
Posterity & Issue Male, lineally for ye most part & sometimes collaterally (for want of Issue Male in ye elder Branch) as appeareth by this true Pedigree gather'd by survey of divers ancient Evidences, Records and other good Authorities yet extant that may approve ye same.

Daniel le Fleming* his Third Son, who was a Clergyman, & who had ye Church of Urswic in Lancashire reserv'd for Him, upon his Father's Exchange of Ros & Crimelton for Bardsey & Urswic with ye Abbot of Forneys. Anselm who assum'd ye surname of Furness, and Jordan who did ye like, are thought to be Sons also of ye said Michael le Fleming; wch Anselm was living A° 13 Joh'iis & He married Agnes daughter of Alice wife of Edgar & had half of Yanewith with her in marriage.

I can't yet discover that ye said Michael le Fleming had any other children, save Godith, a Daughter, with whom He gave in marriage Three Carucates of Land in Adgaresslith, unless William ye son of Edward married another, to whom Michael le Fleming gave Half a Carucate of Land in Urswic in marriage, of 8s rent by his Charter.

This Michael Fleming of Furness gave unto Adam ye son of Bernulph two oxgangs of land in Urswic by his charter by 32d of annual rent.

This Michael of Furness gave also to Gamel ye Forrester Two Carucates of land in Urswic by 10s. ann: Rent. He also gave to William de Thurnam two oxgangs of Land in Bellecliff by ye Rent of 10s. per ann'. He likewise gave to Adam ye son of Gerard one Bovate of land in ye same town by 5s Rent per ann'.

This Michael le Fleming (Flandreensis or of Furness) was a Person of that Remark, and had such an Estate in Furness, besides what He enjoy'd elsewhere, as Stephen Earl of Bolon & Morton (who was afterwds. King of England) thought fit to take notice of Him & his Estate in his Charter made A°. D. 1126. unto ye Abby of Furness by

* He appears in Pipe Roll, 1193-4.
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wcn he granted (amongst other Things) quicquid infra Fudernesium continetur præter Terram Michaelis Flameng. To which grant King Henry 1st & others were witnesses. And in Pope Eugenius's Confirmation it is thus expressed:—

Ex dono Comitis Stephani &c. quicquid infra Furnesium continetur præter terram Michaelis Flamengi.

Besides ye exchange of Ros & Crinelton for Berdsey & Urswick aforemention'd wch ye said Michael made with ye Abbat of Furness; He gave Fordbote unto that Abbey, by his deed, which being ordinary, I will here give you verbatim.


A Knight. Beck. 14, 9. MS. A, 142, 0

That this Michael le Fleming was a Knight is prov'd by ye Authorities quoted in ye margin, but He was seldom styled so: probably from his not valuing that Honour, from his being knighted but a little while before his Death or from ye use of omitting often such titles anciently in writings.

His Death & Burial.

He having liv'd with great Honour & Esteem & having enjoy'd a fair Estate during ye Time of King William ye
Conqueror,* of King William Rufus & of King Henry ye
First about ye close of King Stephen's Reign (being then a
very old man) he died at Gleston Castle & was buried in
Furness Abbey to wch He had been a Benefactor; wherein
most of ye Nobility & Gentry of these parts were interr'd,
as it was anciently very usual in other places to do; many
persons desiring to be buried in ye Temple, Abbey &c.
some giving their Bodies (when dead) to be buried in
Religious Houses, & others desiring not only to be interr'd
near unto ye monks Habitations but also in their very
Habits.

The eldest son of ye said Sir Michael le Fleming was
William le Fleming aforesaid, who was sometimes called
William of Furness, from his resideing & having a great
Estate therein; for after ye Death of his Father he
enjoy'd ye Dominion or Manor of Aldingham, ye Castle or
Manor of Gleston, with other lands in ye County of Lan­
caster & elsewhere, wch belong'd unto ye said Michael his
Father; & did dwell for ye most part at Gleston Castle
foresaid.

The Armes & Seal wch I find yt ye said William made
use of were, Two Barrs, on a Canton a cross+, within this
circumscription viz. S. Will de Furnes. This is proved
by a Seal to a Deed, sans Date, by wch William ye son of
Michael de Furness did grant & confirm unto Adam son
of Gilbert de Urswick two oxgangs of Land in Urswick,
wch Michael Flandrensis gave unto Adam son of Bernolph,†
with warranty agst a Writ of Right.

This William le Fleming married [Ada or Aline

* The dates for Michael le Fleming, given in William Farrer's *Lancs. Pipe Rolls*, etc. are 1127-70 (the last in Pipe Rolls). His son paid fine for livery 1185-6, and Michael must have died a little earlier. Later mention is only of the lands known as his.
† 'M.' and 'Ht.' are references not explained by the author.
‡ Adam f. Bernolph dates, in Farrer's *Lancs. Pipe Rolls*, etc., 1160-80. William f. Michael de Furness is named in the Pipe Roll of 1185-6, and was dead in 1203-4.
(Pipe Roll, 1203-4) the daughter of [Thomas f. Cospatric (Furness Coucher, ii, 788)] by whom he had issue Michael le Fleming his Son and Heir and Alice his only Daughter.

William le Fleming aforesaid gave unto Adam ye son of Gerard thirty acres of Land in Aldingham by ye yearly Rent of Half a Mark.

He gave unto Gilbert ye son of Adam Two oxgangs of Land in Urswick with common of Pasture.

He gave also unto ye Abbey of Cockersande in Lancashire a Portion of Land in Thurnum within ye sd County. Altho’ I can’t discover ye Time when this William le Fleming (or of Furness) was Knighted, yet to anyone that will consult ye authorities in ye margin, it will plainly appear that he was a Knight.

Sr William le Fleming aforesaid died ye . . . day of . . . Anno Do’i . . . and was buried (very probably) where his Father was, in Furness Abbey.

Upon ye decease of ye said Sr William le Fleming Kt. his Lordship of Aldingham and Castle of Gleston with all ye rest of his Estate came unto Michael le Fleming his only Son & Heir aforesaid, who held of ye King in Capite Twenty Carucates of Land & an Half in Furness by ye Rent of Ten Pounds per annū.

Altho’ this Michael was a Knight’s eldest (&, for any Thing I can yet discover, only) Son, yet do I not find that ever He was entitled an Esquire, before He was Knighted, nor shall I here do it; for I am not ignorant that it is most commendable to write only what is true & by good authority. Notwithstanding He was an Esquire, as Esquires are now reckon’d, and that there were Persons that had this Title before his Time, yet probably He never was so styled; for our learned Clarencieux saith, That ye name of Esquire wch in ancient Time was a name of charge and office only, crept first among other Titles of Dignity & Worship (so far as ever He could observe) in
ye Reign of K. Richard 2. some conceiving that this Addition grew more & more fashionable, after that Jack Straw (one of ye Grand Founders of ye Levellers) was defeated; ye English Gentry, to appear above ye common sort of people, did in all publick Instrumts insert their Native or acquired Qualifications. And doubtless ye original of this Title was with us from ye office or function of Armiger or Scutifer, wch from ye Time of K. Hen. 5. ye Statute of Additions was made, it often occurs in a legal addition. Yet long before it was a general Name with us for such as were, it seems, by their military employmt, militaris ordinis candidati, & being beneath Knights Batchelors were either attendant on them, or some greater Persons, or employ'd otherwise in ye wars under that name, or had it by creation.

I cannot discover that this Sr Michael le Fleming was ever married:* but he dying in ye time of K. Hen. 3. & being buried (as it's believ'd) with his Ancestors, left his whole Estate unto Alice his only Sister and Heir without being so kind to ye Heirs Males of his family, as to give them any part thereof.

This Alice le Fleming was married to Richard de Cancefield, to whom she brought a very fair Estate being Heir unto her brother Sr Michael le Fleming, & being Lady of ye Dominion or Manor of Aldingham, & of ye Manor of Castle of Gleston. She was also owner of all Mitchel Land (or Michael Land) in Furness which of late years is called Much-Land, probably from ye great quantity thereof. In fine she enjoyed her Bro's whole Estate which descended upon her Heirs.

Of ye Harringtons, Bonvilles, Greys, p. 32, 33, 34, successively owners of Gleston-Castle, Aldingham, &c.†

† The section under this heading is not continued here.
Richard le Fleming, second son of ye first Michael le Fleming, was Lord of ye Dominion or Manor of Beckermet, of Frisington, Kelton, Salter, Rotington, Weddikar, Arloghden and Brunrigg in ye County of Cumberld. & of other Lands in that County, and in ye County of Lancaster, whose chief seat was at Caernarvon Castle already mention'd where both He and his Heirs Males did for ye most part reside until they did remove unto Coningston-Hall in ye County of Lancaster, & afterwards unto Rydal-Hall in ye County of Westmorland, where they still continue. He was (as also divers of his Descendants) stiled Flandrensis & Flameng, as well as le Fleming, wch doth appear by divers fair old Deeds yet in ye Custody of this Family, many of which are without any Date.

He married . . . . . . the daughter of . . . . . . & had Issue by her John le Fleming his Son & Heir.

To this Richard Flandrensis William de Skelmeresergh granted (by a Deed without Date) all his Land wch Walter Byher* once held of Him in Fornebuthetwayth with its Appurtenances in y Hamlet of Fornebuthetwayth; paying & yielding yearly at Martinmas to ye sd William, his Heirs and assigns a pair of white Gloves for all Demands, with warranty agst all Men & Women. To this Deed were Sir William de Furness (his elder Bro†) & divers other Persons of Quality witnesses.

The said William de Skelmersherie did grant unto this Richard Flandrensis his whole Fishing upon Thurnestane-Water (now called Coningston-Water) viz: unum batellum ad piscandum ibidem ad proprias domus suas & heredum suorum in perpetuum, as freely as He held it of ye gift of Sir William de Lancaster; yielding therefore yearly at Martinmas, a barbed arrow. Witnesses Sr William de Furness (his elder Bro†) &c. Sans Date. [c. 1200.]

William de Skelmeresergh aforesd did grant ye whole Fishing of ye water of Thurstain-Water, wch he had of ye Gift of Sr

* The original deed seems to read 'Walthauus Byker,' date c. 1200.
William de Lancaster, viz. unum batellum piscātem super dictam aquam cum tot retibus quot poterit sustinere ad piscandum; unto Richard Flandrensis his Heirs & Assigns, with a Release of his whole Claim thereunto, for wch ye said Richard had paid Him ye said William a sum of Money in hand. Witnesses Sir William de Furness (Bro to this Richard) & several other Persons of Note. Sans Date. [c. 1200.]

Sir William de Lancaster (who probably as governor of Lancaster Castle did first assume ye Surname of Lancaster) Baron of Kendal, did grant and confirm ye Fishing of Thurston-Water viz. unum batellum piscantem super dictam aquam cum tot retibus quot poterit sustinere ad piscandum, to Richard Flandrensis or le Fleming & his Heirs, with a Release of his Claim thereunto, for wch ye said Richard had paid ye said Sr William a Sum of Money in Hand. Witnesses: Sr Willm de Furness aforesd &c. Sans Date.

This Richard le Fleming or Flandrensis was a Knight but when He received that Honour I cannot yet discover; probably not long before his Death was ye time of his being Knighted.

This Sir Richard le Fleming (or Flandrensis) Knight, having lived in ye Reigns of K. Hen. 2. King Rich. 1. & of K. John: He dyed pretty ancient & was buried (with his Father & Bro?) in ye Abbey of Furness.

After ye death of ye sd Sir Richard le Fleming ye Castle of Caernarvon & Manor or Lordship of Beckermet aforsd with all ye rest of his Estate in ye Counties of Cumberland and Lancaster came unto John le Fleming his only son already mention’d. This John, as He was often styled le Fleming so was he written Flandrensis in many Conveyances.

The Armes and Seal wch this John le Fleming often us’d, was a Flower de Liz on a Roundle, within this Inscription:
S. Johannis le Fleming. A Flower de Liz which is believed to be this aforesaid may be seen in colours in ye great Glass-Window in ye East End of ye Parish Church of Windermere, within ye County of Westm'd wch Window anciently belong'd unto ye Abbey of Furness* in Lancashire, and was after ye Dissolution of ye said Abbey in ye reign of K. Hen. 8. bought by ye Parishioners of Windermere & plac'd in their Church. In this Glass-Window there are yet to be seen in several Places (among divers Coats of Arms belonging to ye neighbouring Gentlemen to Furness Abbey) ye present paternal Armes of this Family of Fleming, viz: Gules, a Frett (of six pieces) argent, some of them with a File of Five Points or Lambeaux, Azure, wch File probably was us'd as a Difference for ye eldest Son, ye Father living, since tis said such Files were so born about ye time of K. Edw. I. notwithstanding Leigh saith, that such a File is ye Difference of ye Heir whilst ye Grandfather liveth.

Of Files —— of Differences ——.†

The said John le Fleming did take to wife . . . . ye Daughter of . . . . . by whom he had Issue Richard le Fleming his Son & Heir.

This John Flandrensis by a fair old Deed in Latin, without Date,‡ granted unto Richard his son, all ye lands which ye Father of ye said John had given him in Coupland, except ye advowson of ye church of Arlokeden, to wch Deed were witnesses, Robert, then Prior of St. Bees, Sr Patrick de Wirkington, Sr Adam de Millum, Sr Richard de Coupland son of Alan, Sr Thomas, son of John, Sr Hugh de Moriceby, Sr A. de Haverington, Kts. etc.

By another fair Latin deed, sans Date, [c. 1206, by the witnesses] ye said John Flandrensis did grant to Richard his Son, all ye lands of ye said John Flandrensis wch his Father had given him in Coupland, with ye Homage &

* Or 'Priory of Cartmel.'
† Another unfinished section.
‡ The date is given by Robert, prior of St. Bees, c. 1202-7.
Service of certain Freeholders which then held of ye said John viz. ye Homage & Service of Sr Alan de Peniton & his heirs for Rotington; and ye Homage & Service of Sr Robert de Lamplugh & his heires for half of Harlofden & for Brunrigg, with Wards & Reliefs; & ye Homage & Service of Ralph de Frisington & his Heirs for Frisington, with Wards & Reliefs, with all other Liberties &c. thereunto belonging, with warrantie contra omnes Homines & Feminas; with these witnesses to ye said Deed, viz. Sr Ro. then Prior of St. Bees, Sr Patrick de Wirkington, Sr Adam de Millum, Sr Richard de Coupland, Sr Tho. son of John, Sr Hugh de Moriceby, Kts., Adam de Urswick, William de Osmunderlaw, William de Weddacre &c. with such a Seal as is already taken notice of. Not to mention another fair old Deed in Latin, without Date from ye said John Flandrensis of all his Lands which his Father had given Him in Coupland, unto Richard le Fleming his son; witnessed ut supra, and a Deed, sans Date, much to ye effect of ye Deed next (but one) aforesaid; I shall only add that ye said John Flandrensis, by a fair old Deed, sans Date, did grant his Lands in Rowthemel unto Richard Flandrensis his son, and that another deed, sans Date, was made to ye said John. Altho' I know not ye certain Time when ye said Deeds, without Date, were made, yet anyone who taketh notice of ye witnesses unto them, will discover that they were before ye surname of Culwen or Curwen was at Wirkington or Hodleston was at Millum, wch Families enjoy'd those places before K. Edw. 1's Time & ever since. Sr Adam de Haverington & ye rest named in them, do also prove their Antiquity.

This John le Fleming, by Fine, gave ye Patronage of ye Rectory of Arloghden (now corruptly call'd Arlokenden, Arnaden, Arladen & Arlesden) & land in great Beckkermet unto Jolland, Abbat of Caldre in ye County of Cumbeland in 26 Hen. 3. A° Dom. 1242. But ye Advowson of ye
church of St John Baptist of Beckermet was granted* unto ye said Abbey (either by ye sd John le Fleming or his Father) A.D. 1262. William, Abbat of Caldre & ye Convent there desired, ye Archbishop of York to dispose of ye Churches aforesd; and He soon after appropriated ye Churches of St John Baptist of Beckermet & of St Bridget’s unto ye Abby aforesd. And ye sd A Bp. then annex’d ye Church of St. Michael of Arloghden in Coupland unto ye Archdeaconry of Richmond.

It appeareth in a Deed, sans Date, that William de Osmunderlaw gave Newton in Cartmel unto Sr Richard de Coupland, wch He had of ye Gift of ye sd John Flandrensis, by ye Tenure of a pair of white Gloves yearly.

This John le Fleming or Flandrensis was a Knight, but I cannot yet discover ye certain Time when He received that Honour.

Sr John le Fleming dyed in ye Reign of K. Hen. 3. & He was buried in ye Abbey of Calder, aforesd, to which He had been a Benefactor. There is yet to be seen at ye said Abbey a very ancient Statue in Free Stone of a man in Armour with a Fret (of six pieces) upon his Shield, lying upon his Back, with his Sword by his Side, his Hands elevated in a praying Posture & his Legs across; his Legs being so placed probably from his taking upon him ye Cross & being engaged in ye Holy War†; wch Statue was plac’d there in memory of this Sr John le Fleming or of some of his Heirs.

All those worthy Men of ye Nobility & Gentry of England who in ye Reigns of K. Hen. 2, Rich. 1, Hen. 3 and Edw. 1. were cruz signati, as dedicating and listing

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* Read 'had been granted' by 1262. It appears fo have been given by John le Fleming in 1242, but in 1262 the church was appropriated to Calder by licence of archbishop Godfrey de Ludhame of York (Wilson, St. Bees, 131n). This Sir John dates c. 1266-c. 1270.

† This is the old and now discredited explanation of cross-legged effigies. Many of the men so represented were certainly not Crusaders. This effigy is still there.
'emselves to ye Wars for ye Recovery of Jerusalem & ye Holy Land, were signified under this word Croises, as well as Pilgrims, from their wearing ye sign of ye Cross upon their Garments & as ye Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, created for ye Defence of Pilgrims.

The Dominion or Manor of Beckermet aforesd ye sd Castle of Caernarvon and all ye rest of ye Estate belonging unto ye sd Sr John le Fleming, Kt. after his Death, came unto Richard le Fleming, his son & Heir.

This Richard in ancient writings is sometimes styled le Fleming, and is, at other times, nam'd Flandrensis, as may appear by old deeds, sans Date, and other authorities. I find an old Deed, without any Date, wherein this Richard le Fleming is a Party with a fair Seal thereunto having thereon a large Crescent with a starr upon an oval Escocheon, within an Inscription wch is not legible, wch probably was a Badge of his service in ye Holy Wars.

This Richard le Fleming married Elizabeth Sister and Heir of Adam de Urswick and Jo. de Urswick her Brethren who were Sons of Adam de Urswick, and He Son of Gilbert de Urswick, who was Son of Adam, who was also Son of Bernulph; By wch marriage ye sd Richard le Fleming got ye Manor of Coningston & other lands in ye County of Lancaster wch have continued in ye Possession of his Heirs Males until this Day, and He had Issue by ye sd Elizabeth John le Fleming his son and heir.

Of ye Arms of ye Urswicks.*

By a Deed without any Date John ye son of David of Smalthwt. releas'd all his Right unto all his Lands in ye Town of Beckermet unto this Richard le Fleming; to which were witnesses Sr Michael de Haverington, Sr Robert de Lamplogh, Will. de Punsonby, Rich.† de Irton, &c.

* See the section on heraldry, near the end of this volume.
† Or Nich[olas].
I find yt ye sd Rich. le Fleming was a witness to a Deed dated A° 38. Hen. 3. made by Adam de Tynemore unto Tho*e de Multon, son of Lambert de Multon, of Land in Distington & of ye advowson of ye Church there, to wch Deed were also witnesses Sr Richard de Cleter, Sr Robert de Lamplow, Michael de Haverington, Nich* de Moriceby, Jo. Falcon, Jo. de Hale, &c.

In ye Placita de Termino Pasch. A° 44 Hen. 3 (in ye Tower of London) was found this ensuing Prohibition.


John ye Son of Adam de Urswick did grant unto this Richard le Fleming & Elizabeth his wife, sister to ye sd John, all ye lands wch were Adam de Urswick his Brother's in Urswick, Coningston, Claughton & Kerneford [Carmforth]; In consideration whereof they the said Richard & Elizabeth granted unto ye said John Lands in Cowmanwray [Capernwray] & Kellet. Witnesses Roger de Lancaster, Jo. de Cancefield, Jo. de Kirkby, Richard de Kirkby, &c. This Deed is sans Date. Adam ye son of William de Skelmereserghe granted unto Richard Flandrensis aforesd two parts of ye whole Land of Coghanescales [Cockenshell] with common of Blawith, by paying yearly a barbed arrow of iron at Martinmas, & grinding ye Corn of ye Premisses at ye Lord's Mill of ye Fee at ye 20th Vessel; but free de Pannagio infra quinnani† de Blawith. Witnesses Sr Jo. de Kirkby, Sr Rich. de Broghton, Alan de Turribus &c. This Deed hath no Date.

* Or Hugh, as the original seems to read. This date of 1253 comes between the known dates of Hugh and Nicholas de Moresby.

† Quindecim. "A quende through Ulestone township . . . Blaneth £0 5s. od." (C. & W. Trans., N.S., xxi, 280). But the original seems to read 'infra communam de Blawyth.'
This Richard le Fleming having receiv'd ye Honour of Knighthood, had a Deed of Release seal'd & deliver'd unto him by ye name of Sr Richard le Fleming Knight; to wch Deed, sans Date, Sr Roger de Lancaster & others were witnesses. Jo. Son of Adam de Hoton his grant of Lands in ye Manor of Gersingham unto this Sr Richard son of John le Fleming, sans Date.

I find that this Sr Richard le Fleming, Kt., was a witness to several ancient Deeds without any Date. [c. 1250-90.]

Of Coningston page 46, 47, 48.*

The said Sr Richard le Fleming or Flandrensis Knight dyed, leaving John le Fleming his Son & Heir and leaving ye said Elizabeth a widow, who after his Decease, by her Deed, sans Date, granted unto John le Fleming her Son all her lands in Kernford, of ye Inheritance of Adam de Urswick her Bro* Witnessess Matthew de Redeman, Adam de Berwick, Jo. de Urswick, Tho. de Turrs &c.

This John le Fleming after ye decease of ye sd Sr Richd le Fleming, his Fathr and of ye abovesd Elizabeth de Urswick his mother, became possess'd of ye sd Lordships or Manors of Beckermet & Coningston & of all ye rest of their Estate within ye Counties of Cumberland & Lancaster aforesd.

He was styled sometimes Flandrensis, but for ye most part Jo. le Fleming.

Altho' it be now customary for ye Heir of Two Inheritors to bear ye Hereditary Coats of his Father & Mother, to him & his Heirs, quarterly: to shew that ye Inheritance as well of ye Possessions as of ye Coat Armours are invested in them and their Posterity, whereas if ye Wife be no Heir, neither her Husband nor Child shall have further to do with her Coat, than to set up ye same in their House Paleways, to continue ye memorial of ye Father's Match with such a Family; yet can I not discover that this John

* The account of Conistone will be found later in this volume.
le Fleming did ever quarter his Mothers arms afores'd, wch was occasion'd, I believe, by reason that Quartering of Arms was not then here in England in Fashion.

The said John le Fleming took to wife . . . . . Daughter of . . . . by whom he had Issue Raynerus le Fleming, his Son & Heir and Hugh le Fleming.

Gilbert ye Son of Roger Fitz Reinfride Baron of Kendal obtain'd a Grant of Free Forrest in Westmor'd, Kendal and Furness from K. Rich. r. in as ample a manner as Will. de Lancaster son of Gilbert Baron of Kendal enjoy'd ye same and by those very Bounds.

John de Lancaster (son of Roger de Lancaster who was Bro't by ye Half-Blood to William de Lancaster ye 3d Baron of Kendal) who was Lord of ye Manor of Rydal &c. and was summon'd to Parliamt from ye 25th Edw. r. until 3. Edw. 3. inclusive, by his Deed without any Date granted a Chase in Coningston unto this John le Fleming and his Heirs in these words following—Sciant præsentes & futuri quod ego Joh'es de Loncastre dedi, concessi, & hac præsentii carta mea confirmavi Joh'i le Fleming & Hæredibus suis cervam & bissam & omnimod. aliam Schaciam in Dom[in]icis terris suis in Coningston, tenend. & habend. de me & hæredibus meis ei & hæredibus suis quantum ad me [e]tin[et] libere, quiete, integre cum omnimod' aïsamens ad dictam schaciam p[er]tinentibus. Reddend' inde annuatim mihi & hæredibus meis eo & hæredibus suis unam Rosam ad Festum Scti Joh'is Bapt. pro omni servitio. Et ut hac mea donatio certa et stabilis p[er]maneat, sigillum meum est appensum. Hiis testibus Joh'e de [Cornubia?] Will'o de Hasmonderlaw, Joh'e de Brocton, Ada de Berdeshei, Henr. de Haverington et aliis.

Of Forests, Chases, Parks, Warrens; of their Beasts & Fowles page 52. [Sic in MS.]

John le Fleming afores'd in 28 Ed r. was in that Expedition then made into Scotland, being with ye King when he was in Person at Carlaverocke, scituate upon ye
very mouth of Solway, wch Ptolemy, as my Author supposeth, called Carbantorigum,* accounted an impregnable Fort, when K. Edw. I. accompany’d with ye Flower of English Nobility & Gentry besieg’d and hardly won it. This John le Fleming, I say, was there in arms, assisting ye said King, as may appear by a Protection under ye great Seal of England, Dated at Carlaverocke ye roth Day of July A° 28. Ed. I. as followeth verbatim. Edvardus Dei Gratia Rex Angliae, Dominus Hiberniae & Dux Aquitaniae, omnibus Ballivis & fidelibus suis ad quos praesentes Literæ pervenerint, Salutem. Sciatis quod suscepiimus in Protectionem & Defensionem nostram dilectum & fidelem nostrum Johannem Fleming, quinobiscum in obsequio nostro per praesumptum nostrum protectus est ad partes Scotiae, homines, terras, res, Redditus & omnes Possessiones suas. Et ideò vobis mandamus, quod ipsum Johannem, homines, terras, res, Redditus & omnes possessiones suas manu-teneatis, protegatis, & defendatis: non inferentes eis, vel inferri permittentes injuriam, molestiam, dampnum aut gravamen. Et si quid eis foris factum fuerit, id eis sine dilatatione fac’ emendari. In cujus rei Testimonium has Literas nostras fieri fecimus patentes usq. ad Festum Paschæ proxime futur’ duraturas. Volumus etiam quod idem Johannes interim sit quietus de omnibus placitis & querelis exceptis placitis de Dote unde nihil habet, & Quare impedit & Assisis novæ disseisinæ & ultime præsentationis, præsentibus minime valeturis post adventum ipsius Johannis in Angliam, si contingat interim ipsum venire ad Partes illas. Teste me ipso apud Carlaveroke decimo Die Julii An° Regni nostri vicesimo octavo. Per Testimonium Joh’is de Segrave.

Of Protections p. 54. [Sic in MS.]

I cannot find that this John le Fleming was ever styled an Esquire, notwithstanding that He was ye eldest Son

* Sir Daniel quotes Camden for this identification, not now accepted.
of Sr Richard le Fleming who was a Knight, which Title was, I believe, omitted by Him for ye reasons already given.

There are several deeds wherein this John le Fleming was a Party or a witness which I have not yet taken notice of, nor shall I at this time otherwise than quote some of 'em in ye margin.

The said John le Fleming dyd—leaving Raynerus le Fleming his Son & Heir.

This* Rainerus le Fleming was Lord of ye Manors of Beckermet & Coningston aforesd & was owner of all ye rest of ye Estate in ye sd Counties of Cumberland & Lancaster which belonged unto his Father.

He was possesst of an Estate in Cumberland A° 27 Hen. 2. He gave to ye Abbot of St. Marys of York two oxgangs of land in Rotington in ye county of Cumberland which was afterwds (amongst other Things) confirm'd by K. Ed. 2. in ye first year of his reign. This Rainerus was Steward (Dapifer being added to his Name) probably of ye King's Courts or Revenue in Cumberland or Lancashire. The gift aforesd had been formerly confirm'd by K. Hen. 2. The said Rainerus gave not only ye Two OXgangs of Land aforesd but also unum Rusticum manentem in eadem villa, viz. de Rotingtona: wch Grant was also ratify'd by William Meschines son of Ranulph, Lord of Coupland, and also by Ranulph Meschines his son, to which this Rainerus was a witness, being named next after Fulk his Uncle, & before Godard & Ranulph ye Sheriffs.

He married . . . . . the Daughter of . . . . . and by her had Issue John le Fleming his Son & Heir. The said Rainerus died—leaving his whole estate unto John le Fleming his son & heir.

* Not "this Rainerus." John Denton (pp. 23, 25) names two Rainers. Sir Daniel's error is repeated by West, Furness, p. 280 of the 1822 edition, evidently following these Memoirs; but see Canon Wilson's St. Bees, 426n., 43on.
The said John le Fleming, upon ye Decease of his Father became Lord of ye Lordships or Manors of Beckermet & Coningston & Possessor of all ye rest of ye Estate of ye said Rainerus le Fleming his Father.

This John le Fleming married . . . . ye daughter of . . . . by whom He had Issue William le Fleming his son and Heir, John le Fleming his second Son and Joan le Fleming who married Jo. le Towers.

The Office, after ye Death of Tho. de Multon de Egremont (ex Bundello Escheat. de A. 15. Ed. 2. A.D. 1322) doth prove that Richard de Hodleston & Gilbert de Culwen did then hold Millum & Workington manors of him; and also that Dacre and Senhouse did then hold ye Hamlet of Newton and lands in Santon of ye sd Thomas and likewise quod (I shall here give you ye very words of ye Office) Johannes Filius Raineri le Fleming tenuit de dicto Thoma Ham[lar]t de Beckermet, Frisington, Rotington, Wedacre & Arlocden, per Homag’ & fide’ & sectam Curiae de Egremont & per Servitium nonæ Partis feodi unius militis & per servitium quinq’ sol’ sex denar. ad Cornagium per annum ad Festum Assumptionis beatae Mariae, & duorum sol’ quinqu’ denar. pro vigilia Maris* ad Pascham & per Puturam duorum servientium dicti Thomæ quolibet nono Die ad manerium suum de Egremont.

The Lords of the Manor of Beckermet do yet yearly pay 3s 4d of ye Free Rents above mention’d unto ye owner of Egremont Castle, and all ye rest of ye aforesd rents are yearly paid by ye Freeholders of Frisington, Rotington, Wedacre & Arlocden; Besides that Wedacre doth yearly pay 2s 4d & Yeorton 1s per annum unto ye Lord of Beckermet, which is as much as He payeth to Egremont Castle.

Of Cornage, ye Picts Wall.†

* Seawake.

† This was no doubt meant as heading of a paragraph referring to Camden’s curious passage on the Picts’ (i.e. Hadrian’s) Wall, thus translated by Philemon Holland (p. 774):—“The dwellers hereabout talke much of a brasen trunke (whereof they found peeces now and then) that set and fitted in the wall
That this John le Fleming was Lord of Beckermet A.D. 1326, & was related to Hugh le Fleming & to ye Frisingtons, is proved by an Intail of ye manor of Frisington made by Hugh le Fleming unto Ralph de Frisington & Mary his Wife for their Lives & then to Thomas their Son & ye Heirs of his Body, & then to Alice & Agnes their Daughters, & ye Heirs Males of their Bodies; & for want of such then to John le Fleming Lord of Beckermet & his Heirs. Dated at Frisington A.D. 1326.

This John le Fleming receiv'd ye Honour of Knighthood as is manifested by ye Proofs in ye Margin.

Sir John le Fleming Kt. aforesd dyed in ye Beginning of ye Reign of K. Edw. 3 & was buried at . . . . leaving William le Fleming his Son & Heir.

The said William le Fleming enjoy'd his Father's Estate upon his Death, being then Lord of ye Manors of Beckermet & Coningston aforesd & owner of all ye other lands which had been Sir John le Flemings, his Fathers.

Whether this William le Fleming was ever married or no I make some Question. For altho' ye Pedigree of this Family (enter'd long since in ye Registry of ye Heralds Office at London in ye Book mark'd I.g.) doth affirm that John le Fleming next following was Son & Heir to this William le Fleming yet I find by an old Deed that He was rather his Brother, being Son of Sr John le Fleming Kt.

artificially, ranne betweene every Fortresse, and Towre, so, as that if any one in what towre so ever conveied the watchword into it, the sound would have been carried streightwaies without any stay to the next, then to the third, and so to them all one after another, and all to signifie at what place the assault of the enimie was feared. . . But since the wall now lies along, and no pipe remaineth there, many tenants hold farmes and lands of our kings heere round about, in Carnage, as our Lawyers speake, that is, that they should give knowledge unto their neighbours of the enimies approaching by winding of an home; which some thinke had the first originall from the ancient custome of the Romans . . .” The modern reader hardly needs to be told that cornage was notgeld and meant a tax upon horned cattle, though it often went with Border service and seawake and other duties of the frontiersman, with which former antiquaries confused it.
next afores’d & after ye Death of this William le Fleming, also his Heir.

This William le Fleming liv’d but a little while after (if after) his Father: for I find that ye said John le Fleming was Heir to ye aforesaid Sir John le Fleming A. 7. E. 3.

After ye Decease of ye said William le Fleming (who perhaps dyed in ye Lifetime of his Father aforesaid) & ye sd Sr John le Fleming, this John le Fleming, their next Heir as aforesd, became Lord of ye Manors of Beckermet & Coningston & was owner of all ye Residue of their Estate.

He was not Knighted A.D. 1330. 4. E. 3. being then a witness to an old Deed & only styled John le Fleming: But being also a witness to another Deed A.D. 1333, He was there writ Jo. le Fleming, Knight, having recd ye Honour not long before.

That he was a Knight doth also appear by other Proofs. To show that Joan le Fleming was Sister to this Sir John, and how she was married, is made plain by a Deed, whereby this John Son & Heir of Sr John le Fleming of Beckermet Knight did entail ye manor of Lowick &c. within ye County of Lancaster upon J. Son & Heir of William le Towers & Joan his wife Sister of ye said John le Fleming, Witnesses Sr John de Kirkby &c. Dated at Lowick 7. E. 3.

In ye same year Agnes late wife of Robert de Cletergh granted to Richard her son all her Dowry in Cletergh & He granted to her ye manor of Hale, Hiis Testibus: Dno.; Joh’e Fleming milite, Radulpho de Lamplouch, Rogero de Iront tunc Ballivo de Egremund, Jacobo de Waburthwait, Alex. de Punsonby &c.

This Sr John le Fleming held ye manor of Beckermet &c. of Jo. de Multon A. 9. E. 3. A. 8. E. 3. He held of
THE MEMOIRS OF SIR DANIEL FLEMING.

Jo. de Multon of Egremond, Wedacre & alia, valued at 24½ p. ann.

St John le Fleming next aforesaid did take to wife . . . ye Daughter of . . . by whom He had Issue Richard le Fleming, his Son & Heir, and Robert le Fleming another son. An Inquisition taken at Ulverston on Thursday next after ye Feast of St. John of Beverley (viz. May 7.) A0 28. E. 3. proveth that this St John le Fleming 'de Furness A0 27. E. 3. held of ye King in Capite (ut de Feodo quæ fuer’ Will’i de Coucy) ye Manor of Conington with its appurtenances & dyed thereof seiz’d in Fee: In which Manor were Two Mills etc, a certain Fishing there in Thurstan-Water, Two Marks Rent issuing out of Claugh-ton, held of Jo. de Croft, Forty Acres of Land at ye Water End holden of John de Haverington by a pair of White Gloves for all services. And that Richard le Fleming was son & heir to ye said St John & of ye age of Thirty Years.

This St John le Fleming dyed about ye latter End of ye 27th or ye beginning of ye 28th E. 3. & was buried at . . . leaving ye said Richard his Son & Heir.

This Richard le Fleming upon ye death of his Father aforesd was Lord of ye said Lordships or Manors of Conington & Beckermet & of all other his Lands in ye Counties of Lancaster & Cumberland. He receiv’d ye Honour of Knighthood not long after his Father’s Decease, for I find that He, by ye name of St Richard le Fleming Knight, did grant a Rent Charge of 20 marks out of his Lands in Conington & Ulverston unto Will. del Thwaits. Dated at Ulverston, Sunday after [ante in the original deed] Pentecost, A0 31. E. 3.


A° 36 Ed. 3. Jo. Rector of Lamplugh intail’d upon Will. Cletergh & Joan his Wife &c. ye Manor of Cletergh, Hiis Testibus, Roberto de Rotington, tunc Ballivo Libertatis de Egremund, Christ. de Moriceby, Ric’o de Coupland, avunculo, Rico de Iront, Will: Boyvil, Hugo Fleming &c. with a fair Cross flowry upon ye seal wch is ye present Lamplugh’s Arms of Lamplugh in Cumberland.


This Sr Richard le Fleming married Catherine ye Daughter (or Sister) of Sr John de Kirkby in ye county of Lancaster, Knt., by whom he had Issue Thomas le Fleming his Son & Heir, John le Fleming his second Son, James le Fleming his third Son & Joan le Fleming his Daughter.

To these children some will add Richard le Fleming* who was Bishop of Lincoln A.D. 1420, & Founder of Lincoln-College in Oxford, after He had obtained a

* Sir Daniel is right in stating this cautiously. The evidence of the heraldry proves that the Bishop and Dean came of some other family of Flemings.
License for ye same from K. Hen. 6. & ye Parliament A.D. 1427, who was also styled Regni Anglicani Dignitatis vindicem adversus Hispanos, Scotos, & Gallos in Sinensi* Concilio A.D. 1424. And Robert le Fleming, Dean of Lincoln. I know these Two did bear a distinct Coat of Arms, being different from that usually borne by this Family which may be & yet they two younger Sons thereof.

[Grants & Conveyances from and to ye sd Sr Richard le Fleming, p. 60, 61, 62, 63.]

Sr Richard le Fleming Kt. aforesd did grant unto Adam le Tailhour all his Lands in Urswick & Formethwait [Nithwaite] in ye Town of Ulverston which He had after ye death of Sir John le Fleming Kt. his Father & Robert le F. his Bro. Dated at Coningston Sunday after ye assumption of our Lady, A° 36. E. 3.

Adam le Tailhour de Ulverston did convey unto this Sir Richard le F. Kt & Dame Catherine his wife & ye Heirs of their Bodies all ye lands wch He had of ye grant of ye said Sr Richard in Urs,viwck & Formethwait in Ulverston; then to Margery de Redness for Life & then by ye Right Heirs of ye said Sr Richard le F. Witnesses, Sr Jo. de Haverington, Sr Jo. de Kirkby Kts., Richard de Coupland, Will. de Berdsey, Jo. de Tours. &c. Dated at Ulverston, Sunday next after St. Barthol’ A° 36. E. 3.

To a deed of Sr Jo. de Kirkbyerlyth Kt of ye Manor of Kirkby & Donerdale were witnesses: Sr Christopher de Broughton & this Sr Richard le Fleming Kt &c. This Sr Richard le F. Kt made a Deed of Gift of all his Goods & Chattels. Dated at Egremond, Sat. after ye Assumption A° 41. E. 3.

Upon ye same Day He granted ye Manor of Beckermet upon wch ye Deed Poll next following was made. Dated at Beckermet ut supra.

Sr Richard le F. aforesd his Intail by Deed Poll, in

* The council convoked at Pavia, 1423, and transferred to Siena next year.
pursuance of ye next abovesd, of ye Manor of Beckermet
upon himself & Dame Catherine his Wife for Life, then
upon their son Thomas, & ye Heirs Males of his Body, &
for want of such then upon their son John & ye Heirs Males
of his body, ye like upon James their son &c. Dated at
Beckermet. May 20. A° 42. E. 3. This Sir Richard le
Fleming did grant unto Sr Jo. de Kirkby, Kt. & Sr Henry
del Wayneskarth, perpetual vicar of ye church of Kirkby,
all his manor of Coningston with ye reversion of all his
Lands in Claughton and in ye Town of Kellet. Dated at
Coningston Monday next before St. Peter ad vincula A° 43.
E. 3.

The sd Sr John de Kirkby & Sr Henry del Wayneskarth
did grant ye sd manor &c. in ye Conveyance next abovesd
unto this Sr Rich. le F. & Dame Catherine his Wife for Life
then to Tho. le F. their Son & ye Heirs Males of his Body,
then to John another Son ut supra, then to James also
another Son, ut supra, then to ye Right Heirs of ye sd Sir
Rich. le Fleming. Witnesses Sr Christopher de Brough­
ton, Rich. de Coupland, J. Tours, Will. de Berdsey &c.
Dated at Coningston, Monday before St. Lawrence A° 43.
E. 3.

The Warrant of Attorney from ye sd Sr Jo. de Kirkby
& Sr Henry de W. to give Seisin ut supra. Dated at
Kirkby ye sd day after ye Grant next abovesd.

Joan le Fleming, Daugh. of Sr Rich. le F. Releas'd unto
Sr Richard her Father all ye Lands & Tenemts in Cumber­
land & Lancashire, wch were Sr John le Fleming's Kt. her
Grandfathr which deed she thus concludes—Et quia
Sigillum meum pluribus est incognitum, sigillum offic'
Decanat. Couplandiae simul cum sigill' Willi' de Cleter &
Thom. de Lamplowe apponi procuravi. Hiis testibus &c.
Dated at Egremund ye morrow of ye Conception of our
Lady A° 44. E. 3.

Richard le Fleming & William de Wayburthwait granted
Godarthwait in ye Township of Hale unto Ro. Johnson &
THE MEMOIRS OF SIR DANIEL FLEMING.

Agnes his wife & ye Heirs of their Two Bodies, & for want of such then to Sr Richard le Fleming & his Heirs. Witnesses William de Cleter, Tho. de Lamplow, Nicholas de Stanelaw, William de Boyvil, Jo. de Fresington &c. Dated at Egremond on ye morrow after St. Lukes Day. Ao 44. E. 3.

Dated at Egremond on ye morrow after St. Lukes Day. Ao 44. E. 3. This Sr Richard le F. Kt & others were witnesses to a Deed of Jo. de Kirkby, wherein Richard K. his Son & Isabel his Wife & Robert K. his Bror were mention'd.

This Richard Fleming (styled of Furness, probably from his living therein), granted unto Tho his Son & to Margaret his Wife, ye Da. of Will. de Berdsey, his manor of Beckermet in Coupland with its Appurtenances & ye services of ye Free Tenants, with all Moors etc. To ye use of ye sd Tho. & Marg. & ye Heirs of their Bodies, Reversion to ye right Heirs of ye said Richard. Hiis Testibus D Gilberto de Culwen, Will'o de Cleter, Alano de Coupland, Will. Bovill etc. Dated 47 E. 3. at Beckermet. Upon ye seal are ye Flemings Arms (viz. a Frett) hung cornerways, within this Inscription S. Ricardi Fleming, all very Fair.

Nicholas de Bowness, Parson of half of ye Church of Ayketon, his Grant to William del Dykes of all his Lands in Distington in Coupland, wch He had of ye son of Hugh de Dystyngton. Hiis testibus, Gilberto de Culwen, Richardo le Fleming militibus, Joh'e de Morisby, Joh'e de Frisington, Rich. de Stanlaw & aliis. Dated at Wyrkynpton Ao 6. Rich. 2.


This Sr Rich. le F. made a Warrant of Attorney to deliver seisin of ye Manor of Beckermet ut infra. Dated
at Whitingham October 1, A0 14. Rich. 2. This Deed is in French & was translated into English by Mr Tho. Smith (now Doctor of Divinity & Dean of Carlisle*) many years ago. The seal of ye sd Sr Richard le Fleming to this Deed, was ye ancient Arms belonging to this Family viz. A Fret hang'd cornerways within an Inscription. Another French Deed translated ut supra, being ye sd Tho. le Fleming's Warrant of Attorney to take Seisin of ye Manor of Beckermet from Sr Rich. le F. his Father, acc. to a Feomt made to ye sd Tho & Elayne [Eleanor] his wife by ye sd Sr Richard. Dated at Beckermet, Oct. 10 A0 14. Rich. 2.

A0 14. Rich. 2. Sr Jo. de Hodleston, Sr William de Culwen, Nicholē Stanlaw &c. were witnesses to a Grant of Lands in Hale.

In ye same year Will. de Wayburthwait quondam Rector de Wayburthwait, granted a Tenemt call'd Bishop-Garth & all his Dominium in Bolton-Fell unto Nicholas de Seynhouse. His testibus, Alano de Coupland, Nich'o de Stanlaw, Joh'e de Moriceby, Tho. Fleming, Jo. Frisington & Ric'o Braystan clerico.

A0 16. R. 2. Rich. del Freres, vicar of Milnholme & Rich. de Worthing granted to Rich. de Coupland their Lands† in Bolton, Adegerlegh [Adgarley] in Urswick w'ch they had of his Gift, to Him & his Heirs Males, & then to his right Heirs. His testibus, Ric'o de Kirkby, Ric'o Fleming, militibus, Christ: de Brocton, Alano de Pennington, Will'o de Berdsey etc.

This Sr Richard le Fleming Kt having liv'd many years dyed at Coningston Hall A0 . . . . . . & was buried at . . . . . leaving ye sd Thomas le Fleming his Son & Heir.

The sd Rich. le F. being dead, this Thoē le Fleming his

* He was dean 1671-84.
† I.e. they had been holding them temporarily, as interim feoffees.
Son & Heir succeeded unto his whole Estate in ye Counties of Cumberland & Lancaster aforesaid.

This Thomas le Fleming was possesst of ye Manor of Beckermet long before ye death of Sr Richard le F. Kt. his Father; for I find by ye Office, after ye Decease of Joan who was ye Wife of Robt Fitz-Walter (ex Bundello Escheat. de Aº 37. Ed. 3.) that William de Penington held ye manor of Mulcaster & ye Hamlet of Ravenglass of Her; et quod Thomas le Fleming tenuit de dictà Johanna Maneria de Beckermet, Frisington, Rotington, Wedacre, & Arlocden per Homag. & fidel. & Sect. Curiae, ut supra, & per puturam, ut supra, & per servitium nonæ partis unius feodi militis, et servitium 3ª per annu. ad Terminum Sancti Martini pro toto anno ad cornagium pro manerio de Beckermet & duorum solid. sex denar’ ad cornagium pro manerio de Rotington ad Festum Nativitatis B. Mariæ pro toto anno, & valent per ann. 20º. Also that Willm de Cleater & Willm de Punsonby held half of ye Manor of Milton of her ye sd Joan. She dyed June 10 & Walter (son of John FitzWalter) her Grandson & Heir was then 18 years old.

The sd Thos le Fleming de Beckermet did lease Waldhowholme (or Waldhowbank) [Wotobank] for 20 years unto Willm ye son of Adam Press, for 8º per ann. Dated at Egremont Saturday after St. Matthews Day Aº 19. Rich. 2.


This Thomas le Fleming in his Father’s Lifetime took to Wife, First Margaret ye daugh. of Will. de Berdsey, then Elayne, daughter of . . . . by whom He had no Issue; He afterwards married Isabel ye Da. of Sr Thomas Layburne, Knº & had Issue by her Thomas le Fleming his Son & Heir & John le Fleming his 2nd Son.
Sr Tho. Layburne Kt did covenant with this Tho. le Fleming that He ye sd Sr Thomas wou’d give with his Daughter Isabel in Portion Eighty Marks in silver & sufficient Rayment,* unto ye sd Thomas le F. who was to settle as He did ut infra. This Deed is in French & was translated by ye sd Dean of Carlisle. Dated Wednesday in ye 4th week of Lent A° 19. R. 2.

By indenture ye Manors of Beckermet & Lands in Urswick were Intail’d upon Thomas le Fleming & Isabel his wife & their Heirs Males, & for want of such, then upon John le Fleming his Bro &c. Witnesses, Sr William de Culwen, Sr Tho. de Lamplogh, Kts &c. Dated at Beckermet in ye vigils of St. Peter & St. Paul A° 19. R. 2.

This Thomas le F. did bear ye Arms anciently belonging unto this Family viz. G. in Fret. A. & so did all his Heirs Males without any alteration, save that He and divers of ’em did bear them cornerways & some of his Heirs Males of late years did not: But how He did bear one or more of his wives Coats of Arms I am not able to inform you.

Of Impaleing of Divers Coats —.

This Thomas le Fleming having recd ye Honr of Knighthood, did, by ye name of Sr Thos le Fleming de Furness, Kn grant all his Goods in Lancashire unto William del Thwaits. Dated at Coningston, Wednesday before St. John Bapt’s Day A° 3. Hen. 4. Upon ye Seal to this Deed is a Fret upon a Shield hung cornerways.

A° 5. Hen. 4. Jo. de Hamilton granted Lands to Sr Richard de Kirkby, Kt Hij's Testibus, Alano de Penington, Thomâ Fleming militibus, Simone de Dodill, Uano† de Asmunderlaw &c.

In ye same year William Dandson granted Hothwait in K[irkby] to Sr Richd de Kirkby Kt. Hij's Testibus,

* The words are—“ Et le dit mons. Thomas [de Leyburn] apparaylera la dit Isabell sufficiant en vesture et array come affiert a un gentil dameoycell de sa estate devant les espoyesayles”; i.e. provide her trousseau.
† Uano, i.e. Ewan; named below Evan and Yvan.
Alano de Penington, Thoma Fleming, militibus, Jo. de Bolton, Jo. Fobel, Simone Dodyll & alis.


Mo. 706, 707 This Sr Tho. le Fleming did Homage & Fealty & paid 40s for his Relief in y° Feast of y° Conversion of St Paul A.D. 1404. 5. Hen. 4. unto Jo. de Bolton, Abbat of Forness for y° manor of Coningston in y° Presence of Sr Alan de Penington Kt. Christo. de Broghton, Alexander de Kirkby & Roger his Bro, Will. de Berdsey, Yvan de Osmunderlow, Esqs. & many more, wth Manor had been granted by William de Lancaster y° 3d Baron of Kendal, unto one of y° ancestors of y° s° Sr Tho° le Fleming. The like Grants were made to Ailward de Broghton, of Broghton, to y° Ancestor of Sr Rich. de Kirkby, of Doverdale,* to y° Ancestor of Sr Alan de Penington, of Tilburthwait, & to Uan de Asmunderlaw's ancestors part of Rosset, who did his Homage & Fealty to y° said Abbot A.D. 1404, in y° Presence of ye s° Sr Alan de Penington, Sr Tho. le Fleming, Christ. de Broghton & many others.

Mo. 707. This Sr Tho. le F. Kt did by Deed covenant to & with Sr John de Lancaster of Rydal & of Holgill Castle within y° County of Westmorland, Kn, that Tho. Son & Heir of y° s° Sr Tho. le Fleming, shou’d marry Isabel, Daughter of y° said Sr Jo. de Lancaster; that y° s° Sr Thomas shou’d settle a Rent Charge of Ten Marks out of y° Manor of Coningston upon y° s° Thomas & Isabel & their Heirs; that y° s° Sr John should pay Fourscore Marks for his Daughter's Portion; that y° s° Sr Tho. shou’d settle y° said Manor of Coningston & all other his Lands upon y°

* Read Donerdale, i.e. Dunnderdale.
said Thomas his Son & his Heirs Males, & for Default of such, then upon John le Fleming, a younger Bro of ye s'd Tho & his Heirs Males, & for want of such then upon ye right Heirs of ye said Sir Tho. le F., and that if ye said Tho should die without Heirs of ye Body of ye s'd Isabel, then shall John, his younger Bro aforesaid marry another Daughter of ye s'd Sir Jo. de Lancaster without any other Portion or Settlemt.

This Deed was dated at Rydal in Kendal A° ro. Hen. 4. It is in French & was translated into English by ye Dean of Carlisle aforesd.


A Release from this Sr Tho. le F. dated 12. H. 4. whose seal thereunto is a Frett hang'd by ye corner very fair. In that year He was a Witness to another Deed.

The certain Time of ye Death of this Sr Tho. le Fleming I cannot yet discover, nor ye Place of his Burial: But very probably He was buried either at Furness Abbey with divers of his Ancestors, or in ye church of Ulverston within wch Parish Coningston-Hall is situated. I find He was dead before 6. Hen. 5. & that Dame Isabel (his last wife) was then living & Tho. le Fleming their Son & Heir.

The Dominion or Manor of Beckermet aforesd, ye s'd Manor of Coningston & all ye rest of ye Estate of ye s'd Sr Tho le Fleming, Kt deceas'd, came, upon his Death, unto this Tho. le Fleming his Son & Heir, who was afterwards knighted, as well as his Father had been.

Thomas Son & Heir of Sr Tho. le Fleming Kt did grant

* This hand is one of Sir Daniel's marks in numbering his documents. See Appendix I.
unto Rich. Sharp & Will. Ruland* ye Manor of Coningston & all his Lands in Formyngthwait [Nibthwaite] in villa de Ulverston & his lands in Claughton in Lonsdale, ye reversion of all his Lands in villa de Urrwick in Furness, & ye Reversion of ye Manor of Beckermet in Coupland viz. Those wch Dame Isabel his Mother then held in Dower-Witnesses: Sir Jo. de Lancaster, Jo. de Broghton, Christ. de Berdsey, Rich. de Osmunderlaw, &c. Dated at Conington Oct. 2. A° 6. Hen. 5. To this Deed there is a fair Seal with this Family's Coat of Arms, that is now usually born (viz. a Frett) with a File of three Points, wch seal was probably cut in his Fathers Life-Time.

The said Thos. le Fleming in his Father's Life-Time married Isabel one of ye Four Daughters of Sr John de Lancaster, Knt as I have already mention'd.

And ye other three Da's of ye sd Sr John de Lancast were married viz. Christian unto Sr Robert de Harington Kt, Margaret unto Sr Matthew Whitfield, Kt & Elizabeth unto Robert Cracanthorpe Esq. (who was a sixth Bro of Crankantherp [sic] of Newbiggin, as appears by his Coat of Arms in Glass at Howgil-Castle). The sd Sr John de Lancaster dying afterwards without any Issue Male of his Body, left these Four Daughters his Heirs, amongst whom his Estate was divided: and ye Paternal Arms of this Family descended unto them, being Argent, Two Barrs, Gules, on a Canton of ye Second, a Lyon passant, guardant, Or.

This Thomas le Fleming had issue by ye said Isabel de Lancaster John Fleming his Son & Heir & William Fleming a younger Son.

Sr Robert Harrington Kt, Thomas Fleming, Matthew Whitfield & Robert Cracanthorpe, Esq's did grant unto Sr Henry Threlkeld Kt (in consideration of 20th a piece) the reversion of Half of ye Manor of Yanwith in Westmor-

* Such grants were, of course, to interim feoffees, who regranted to the heirs with explicit statement of entail; as Sharp and Ruland do, a little lower down.
land & Cumberland wch belong'd unto them in ye Right of their wives. This was dated at Carlile Mar. 23. A° 3. H. 6.


[The Flemings acquire Rydal; 1443].

An Indenture of Division of all ye Manors, Lands & Tenemts, late belonging unto Sr John de Lancaster, Kt & Dame Catherine his Wife, amongst ye four Daughters & Heirs of ye said Sr John de Lancaster; wherein it is agreed by ye said 4 Co-heirs & their Husbands, as followeth viz. That Christian late Wife of Sr Robt de Harrington, Kt & Elizabeth late wife of Robert Cracanthorp Esq. shall have and hold to them and their Heirs for ever, ye Manors of

* I.e. Richard Booth or del Bothe, who sold a house in Soutergate, Ulverston, to Thomas Jackson, 'chaloner' (blanket-maker). In the original deed, 'Nicholas Corker' stands as 'John Corbet'; John Corker, however, appears in other deeds of this period.
Depe Dale, Blencoyne, Holgyl and Knocksalcock with all Lands & Tenements in Depedale, Blencoyne, Holgyl, Knocksalcock, Milnburn & Lowenthwait; and that Margaret late wife of Sr Matthew Whitfield Kt & Thomas Fleming Esq. & Isabel his Wife, shall have and hold to them & their Heirs for ever, the manor of Rydal with its appurtenances and also all Lands & Tenements in Rydal & Loughrigg.

Dated Monday next after ye Feast of St Lawrence, A0 21. H. 6.

The said Thomas le Fleming & Isabel de Lancaster his Wife & their Heirs have, ever since ye sd Division of Sr John de Lancasters Lands, possess'd ye whole manor of Rydal aforesaid, Farming Whitfield's Moiety thereof until it was purchas'd.


On ye Seal to this Deed is ye Fleming's present Coat of Arms, very fair, viz. a Frett.

Where ye said Sr Thomas Fleming was buried I cannot yet certainly acquaint you, but probably either at Ulverston or Gresmere.

After ye Decease of ye sd Sr Tho's le Fleming & Dame Isabel de Lancaster his Wife, ye aforesaid Dominions or Manors of Beckermet, Coningston & Rydal with ye Forrest there & all other their Estate within ye Counties of Cumberland, Lancaster, & Westmorland aforesaid came unto John Fleming Esq. their Son & Heir, styled sometimes John Fleming Senr to distinguish Him from his Eldest Son.

The first notice I find taken of this John was in 21. H. 6.

In 34. H. 6. Will. de Lancaster &c. did enter a Bond of 20 Marks unto Sr Tho. Harrington Kt & this Jo. Fleming to stand to their award.

This John Fleming, being a valiant man, & retain'd by Indenture to serve Rauff, Lord of Greystock & Wemm, a great Baron living in Cumberland who was often honourably employ'd agst Scotland: and since ye Form of such an Indenture may probably be worth ye Reading, I will give you it here verbatim:

This Indenture made ye 9th day of December in ye 7th year of ye Reign of K. Edw. 4th, Betwixt Rauff Lord of Greystock & Wemm on ye ton Party and John Fleming Esq. on ye todir Party, witness, That ye said John is retain'd, & beleft* with ye sd Lord for Term of his Life, as well in Were as in Peace, against all manner of men, except his Legeance, ye sd John taking yearly of ye sd Lord 4 11 of lawful Money of England, And in ye time of Were such Wages as ye King gyffs to such Men of such Degree, And [i.e. if] he go with ye sd Lord. And ye sd John to take his sd Fee be ye Receiver's Hands of Greystock† that is or shall be, that is to say at Whitsunday & Martynmes. And if ye sd John go with ye sd Lord over ye Sea or into Scotland, that yan‡ it happyn ye sd Jo. Fleming, or any of his Servants, to take any Prisoners, that yan‡ ye sd Lord to have ye Third, & ye Third of Thirds. And if it happyn that ye sd Lord send for ye sd John to come to Him & to ryde with him to London, or for any other matter, that yan ye said Lord to pay for his Costs & to give him Bouche court§ for him and his Feliship. In witness

* Belef, i.e. bound. See the Rev. F. W. Ragg, C. & W. Trans., n.s., xiv, 423; xxi, 188, for similar deeds using this word.
† The original deed has ' be ye handez of the Receiver of Graystock yt is ' etc.
‡ 'Yan... yan,' when... then.
§ 'Bouche court,' sometimes 'bouche in (or of) Court,' meant allowance of victuals granted by a king or noble to his household.
whereof ayther party to ye partyes of these Indentures enterchangeably hath set to their Seals, wretyn ye Day & ye Yere aforesaid.


2dly he married Ann ye daughter of . . . .

In 14. E. 4. Tho. Fleming of Coningston Esq. (Father of ye said John Fleming, who was yet living & not knighted) made a Warrant of Attorney unto William Fleming his Son, for ye giving of Seisin of his Manor of Beckermet unto this John Fleming & Joan his Wife. Dated Nov. 10 in ye year afored.


In 21. E. 4. This John Fleming's Father (Sr Tho. F. Kt) was dead, & Dame Isabel made a Conveyance unto him as I have already told you.

In 2. R. 3. I find this John Fleming to be dead: for then by an Award Indented it was order'd that Ann, ye late wife of John Fleming aforesd, should enjoy for her Dower lands in Claughton in Lonsdale, & one Tenemt in Coningston & yearly during her Life one Buck or Do in Coningston-Park, and that John Fleming Son & Heir of ye s'd John shd enjoy all ye rest of his Father's Lands.

This John Fleming Esq. (sometimes having ye Addition of Junior given him) after ye Death of his Fathr aforesd enjoy'd his whole Estate, save what ye said Ann possess'd for ye Term of her Life.


In 2. R. 3. This Jo. Fleming was taken notice of in an Award already mention’d.


his Son did Lease Half of ye Manor of Rydal & Loghrigg for 100 years and a Day unto Jo. Fleming Esq. & Hugh F. his Son. And July 8. in ye sd yd ye Hugh Whitfield did acquit ye sd Jo. Fleming of 5 Marks.


In 6. H. 8. Jo. Fleming Esq. pass’d his Accompt in ye Exchequer as Escheator for ye Counties of Cumb. & Westm. as appears by his Quietus est: where (inter alia) he accounted from Nov. 28. A° 3. H. 8. until Nov. 26. next following for 4l 12s 8d de exit. of ye lands of Patricius Southaik deceas’d, for 47l 9s 4d of ye Issues of ye Manors of Blakeale, Farlam &c. of wch Humphrey Lord Dacre dyed seised in Fee Tail. For 115l 17s 7d ob. of ye Issues of ye Manor of Kirkby in Kendal &c. of wch Sr Geo. Lumley Kt was seised, For 1224l 9s 10d ob. q. of ye Issues of ye Moiety of ye Barony or Dominion of Kendal & of wch K. Hen. 6. was seised.

Escheators. [Another unfinished paragraph.]


mention’d in divers writings; but I know not how nearly he was related to this Family.

Before ye 24. H. 8. This John Fleming Esq. died & was buried at Gresmere church in ye Burying-Place belonging unto ye Lords of Rydal, leaving Janet Fleming his Widow.

This Janet is also call’d Johanna & both are, I presume, ye same with Joan Lowther aforesd.—He left Hugh Fleming his son & heir abovesd.

Hugh Fleming Esq. after ye Death of ye sd Jo. F. Esq. his Fathr, enjoy’d his whole Estate in ye counties of C. L. & W.

This Hugh F. Esq. married Joan one of ye Sisters & Heirs of Richard Hodleston Esq. & one of ye Daughters & Heirs of Sr Richard Hodleston of Millum-Castle in ye County of Cumberland, Knight.

Hodleston’s Arms &c. [Given later.]

The said Hugh Fleming & Joan his Wife had Issue Anthony Fleming his Son & Heir apparent, Thomas Fleming, David Fleming, Daniel Fleming & Joan Fleming.

The said Hugh Fleming, living until He was an old man, and surviving most of his Children, I shall here give you an Account of their Marriages & Issue & then acquaint you with some Things relating unto Him in order of Time as they were done.


Thomas Fleming (second son of ye sd Sr Hugh) was related unto ye Lord William Parr, Marquess of Northampton, & married Margaret D. of . . . . by whom He
had Issue Richard, John, Margaret, Elizabeth & Eleanor Fleming.


The said Jo. Fl. married Elizabeth Cassan of Selley in Dunnerdale & had Issue Tho. F. of New field, John, Richard, Roger, Jane married to Willm Christopherson, Agnes ob. s. pr. & Bridget Fleming.

The sd Tho. F. married Jane D. of . . . . . . John, who was Bro of Sr Wm Hodleston of Millum-Castle aforesd Kt & had Issue Richard F., Dorothy ob. s. pr. Daniel ob. s. pr. Thomas, William, John & Daniel F.


Daniel Fleming (Fourth son of ye sd Hugh) died without Issue.


In 24. H. 8. May 28. The sd Hugh Fleming of Rydal Esq. & Anthony F. his Son & Heir app. by ye Mediation of Sr Jo. Lowther Kt did covenant with Willm Hoton of Hoton in y° Forest in Com. Cumb. Esq. that ye sd Anthony shall take to wife Elizabeth D. of ye sd Willm: that ye sd Marriage shall be in Hoton-church: that ye sd Hugh shall buy Wedding Cloaths for ye sd Anthony: & ye sd Willm for ye sd Elizabeth, together with Meat & Drink & other Things necessary for ye Marriage-Feast at Hoton aforesd: that whereas ye sd Anthony & Elizabeth stand & be of Cosenage in ye 4° Degree a Dispensation or Licence shall be pursued & obtain’d for ye same at ye equal Charge of ye sd Hugh & Willm; That a Settlement shall be made before ye said marriage; That an Increase of Maintenance shall be made soon after ye Death of Janet mother of ye sd Hugh F. The ye whole Estate be Intail’d upon ye sd Anthony & Elizabeth & their Issue after ye Death of ye sd Hugh & Jane his Wife, provided they may grant Annuities to their younger Sons & raise Money for ye paymt of Debts, or for Daughter’s Portions. For wch Marriage Feofment ye sd Willm Hoton is to pay Sixscore Pounds at several Days, & if ye sd Eliz. shall die without issue before any of ye sd Days, so much agreed not to be
paid. The last Paymt to be made to ye young couple for their buying of Furniture &c. A Bond for Performance hereof.


In 29. H. 8. May 30. Hugh Fleming of Coningston, Esq. & Lancelot Lowther, Gent. did covenant that ye sd Lancelot shd marry Joan D. of ye sd Hugh F. That either shall pay for their Marriage Apparel; that Meat & Drink shall be at ye Charge of ye sd Hugh, & also ye Licence, that ye sd Hugh is to give ye sd Lancelot & Joan Bedding and Inseyght as shall stand with his Worship to give, & that ye Portion shall be 6613s 4d to be paid at ye Parish Church of Lowther.

And ye same Day Hugh Fleming of Coningston, Esq. & Anthony Fleming of Rydal, Esq. became bound in 100l unto ye sd Lancelot Lowther for performance of ye sd Covenants.

In 30 H. 8. Jan. 14. Hugh Fleming of Coningston, Esq. did appoint Thos Fleming, Gent. his Son, to be his Attorney for ye receiving of his Rents &c during ye Lifetime of ye sd Hugh, of all his Lands &c. in Cumberland &

*Read 'Inseyght,' i.e. furniture.
Yorkshire & elsewhere in England, wch were Joan his late wife's deceased, one of ye Daughters & Heirs of Sr Richard Hodleston, Kt deceased, & wch he had as Tenant by ye Curtesy.*

In 30. H. 8. Apr. 16. It was awarded by Rich. Redman, Will. Pickering, Gilbert Wharton & Ambrose Machel, Esqs. betwixt Hugh Fleming & Lancelot Salkeld Esq. (being bound by Bills obligatory each to other in 200d) that ye sd Hugh Fleming shd have for his Life half ye Rents & Profits of Bowes, also 4 Nobles & 40d sterling able English money out of ye lands at Perote, also half ye Rents & Profits of Blenerhasset for his Life, also half of Hukenby for Life. Thomas Salkeld paying no Fines for ye lands there, in his own Hand. And ye sd Lancelot Salkeld shd have for ever ye Lands in Aglethrope, Culbarch and Melbur[ne].

In 31 H. 8. Hugh Fleming Esq. was acquit of his Money paid for Resp it of Homage for Rydal.


In 34. H. 8. Hugh F. did grant unto William Lowther of Sewborrans in Cumb. Gent. one Vale called Lowdeal† under 31st Rent, with Housebote, & Haybote tam infra Parcam tam extra sine Deliberatione Forestarii.

In 35. H. 8. Jo. Whitfield Esq. did acquit Hugh F. of 51st and in ye same year a Commission was directed unto Sr Tho. Wharton & Sr Jo. Lamplugh, Kts. to enquire (by Jury) what Lands &c. Christopher Curwen Esq. dyed seiz'd of, who was his next Heir &c.

* I.e. Courtesy of England, a widower's right to his wife's estate for the term of his life.
† The original deed reads "Zowdeal"; the tenants therein were Robert Tyson, Thomas Dicson, Matthew Rigge, John Smarthwaite, yeomen, and the widow of Barnard Ruke, Coniston names. The old endorsement calls the valley "Yowdall."
In 4 & 5 P. & M. June 8. I find ye sd Hugh Fleming Esq. to be dead (who probably dyed at Coningston-Hall & was buried either at Ulverston or Gresmere church) For it appeareth by William Fleming Esq. his Grandson & Heir, his general Livery upon an Inquisition taken before Tho. Sandford, David Hutton, Jo. Lamplogh & William Bradley Esq, Commissioners, that Hugh F. Esq. aforesd dyed seis'd of half of ye Manor of Rydal & of 16 Messuages &c. in Loghrigg & 2 Messuages or Tenements in Bainrigg, all wch came unto William Fleming Esq. his Grandson & next Heir, who was then at full age.

This Anthony Fleming Esq. Son & Heir app. to H. F. had ye Three Wives & Children already mention'd, & He dyed at Rydal (in his Father's Lifetime) in or soon after ye 29. H. 8. leaving his Estate unto Willm Fleming Esq. his Son & Heir & was buried in Gresmere-Church.

In 5. M. Feb. 3. Tho. Fleming of Coningston, Gent. made his last Will & Testam, wherein is mention'd that He had Rich. & Jo. to his Sons & Margaret, Elizabeth & Eleanor to his Daughters: that his Wife was call'd Margaret, that Will. Fleming Esq. was his Nephew, & so was Willm Lowther; that his two Sons were his Executors: and ye his Supervisors were his good Lord & Master, William, Marquess of Northampton, his cosins Jo. Preston & Rich. Curwen Esq, his brother David Fleming & Jo. Benson of Langdale.

In 5 & 6 P. & M. Nov. 4. Jo. Rigmaden did enter Bond unto Will. Fleming Esq. that his Bro' Charles Fleming during his Life shall only take $28\;6d$ out of some Lands in Beckermet granted unto Him.

In 2. Eliz. Jan. 6. A Testimonial was made under ye Hands & Seals of a great many Tenants of Coningston that Hugh F. of C. Esq. then deceas'd pass'd away ye Manor of C. unto Tho. Fleming his younger Son, by force and aget his will.
This William Fleming Esq. after ye Decease of ye sd Anthony F. his Father & of Hugh F. Esq. aforesd his Grandf. did enjoy all their Estates as next Heir unto Them.


* Seam, packhorse load. This transaction is mentioned in Elizabethan Keswick, pp. 58, 70, 111, 115, and further sales p. 133.

In 16. Eliz. Apr. 2. Will. Fleming of C. Esq. did grant an Annuity of 26s 8d for Life out of ye manor of C. unto Charles F. Gent. his younger Bro'.


In ye same year ye s'd Alan (as Executor to Marian Bellingham late of Helsington, widow, deceas'd his Mother) in consideration of 500l did grant his Interest in ye Lease of ye Rectory &c. of Gresmere unto Will. Fleming of Rydal, Esq. his Ex. Ad. & Assigns. Dated ut supra. This Lease was made by Gabriel Croft, Parson of Gresmere (in consideration of 58l 11s 5d ob.) of ye Rectory, Tythes &c. of Gresmere, unto Marian Bellingham aforesd for 97 years from ye Date thereof, paying yearly to ye Parson there 18l 11s 7d at Whit. & Mart. by equal Portions. Dated May 10. A° 3. E. 6. Then confirm'd by Jo. Bishop of Chester as Ordinary & by Alan Bellingham of Helsington Esq. as Patron thereof. Such long Leases as this can't be legally made at this Day.

His marriage & children.


The aforesd Will. Fleming & Agnes his latter Wife had Issue: 1° John F. his Son & Heir app. 2° Tho. F. who died without Issue. 3° Will. F. who was above Two Yards high, who was in ye ship that first discover'd yᵉ Spanish Armada in 1588 & behav'd himself very valiantly therein, & who dyed without Issue. 4° Daniel F. 5° Joseph F. who was born Oct. 2. A° 32. Eliz. & dyed Jan. 6. A.D. 1602. s. pr. 6° Dorothy F. married unto Jo. Ambrose of Lowick in Com. Lanc. Esq. 7° Mary F. wife of Jo. Senhouse of Seascale-Hall in Com. Cumb. Esq. 8° Grace F. married unto Anthony Barwise of Hyldekirk in com. Cumb. Esq. 9° Eleanor F. wife of Sr John Lowther of Lowther in Com. Westm. Kᵗ & one of His Majesty's Council at York for yᵉ Northern Parts. These sisters were elder than some of their Brors.

Long before yᵉ 17 Eliz. the former Wife of yᵉ sᵈ Will. F. Esq. died: for then He was married to Agnes his second Wife & Jan. 11. in yᵉ same year did covenant for yᵉ Settlemt of yᵉ Manor of Rydal &c. upon himself & yᵉ said Agnes his Wife for life, then upon their Issue Male, then upon yᵉ right Heirs of yᵉ sᵈ Will. F. wᶜʰ was by Deed settled accordingly.

In 18 Eliz. Feb. 8. A verdict was exemplify'd under yᵉ Great Seal of England for Will. Fleming Esq. agst Alan Bellingham concerning yᵉ Paymt of 20₇ per ann. at Easter, or upon Demand, For all manner of Tythes for Rydal Demesne, as a Prescription for yᵉ same.

In yᵉ same year Mar. 20 Jo. Grigg of Rydal granted his Tenemᵗ in Rydal of 22₇ yearly Rent unto Will. Fleming of Rydal, Esq. upon Condition to perform yᵉ Covenants in a Lease made by Him & Agnes F. his Wife unto yᵉ sᵈ John Grigg of Rydal-Mill & Kill, two orchards, one garden, one Leek-garth, near adjoining to yᵉ old Hall, yᵉ Fishing of Rydal-water, yᵉ Boat, Fish garth, Eel-ark &c. & Fishing of yᵉ River of Routhey, for 10 years: paying yᵉ Rent at Coniston.
In 18. Eliz. Apr. 1. William Fleming Esq. having sold some Tenems in Loghrigg into a Freehold Estate, ye Purchasers then agreed of a Division thereof.

In this year Will. F. did write a Letter unto his Cosin Mr Will. Lowther of Sewborwen near Newton [Reigny], concerning some Plate, wherein is mention'd that ye sd Will. Fleming had an Uncle called Daniel F. Dated June 11. 18. Eliz.


In 22 Eliz. Nov. 7. Will. F. purchased Wray-Tenemt in Gresmere.

In 23. Eliz. Jan. 8. This Will. F. did lease of Tho. Preston of ye Manor, Esq. ye Tythes of Torver, Tilburthwait & Langdale for 10½ 13½ 4½ per ann. with a Proviso that if any accustomed Dues be taken away by Law, that then there shall be an abatement of ye Rent.

A 23. Eliz. A Deed was executed between Will. Fisher and Jo. Preston of ye one part and Tho. Preston, Esq. and Tho. Fleming, Gent. of ye other part concerning ye manor of Bolton &c.


said Will. F. & his Heirs. And also for ye levying of a Fine of ye Manor of Beckermet & Weddiker to ye use of Will. F. aforesd & his Heirs, wch fines were exemplify'd in Hil' & Easter Terms A° 26 Eliz.

A° 26. Eliz. He bought Two Tenemts in Woodland within Kirkby of Jo. Dodgson &c. of 10s Rent per ann.

He & Agnes his Wife demis'd a Tenemt near Bristol for 5l per ann. during her life.


A° 27. Eliz. This Will. F. was appointed High Collector of ye Subsidy in ye county of Lancast.

A° 29. Eliz. He purchas'd a Tenemt at Catbank in Coningston. And A° 33. Eliz. He caused Bank of Monk-Coningston &c. to enter Bond for not fishing with any Net, Rod, Low, Lister* or other Thing whatsoever within ye Lordship of Coningston, without his License or his Heirs & He received a Letter from Tho. Fleming, Gent., his Son.

A° 34. Eliz. he purchas'd Grigg's Tenemt in Rydal of 22s yearly Rent & a Close in Loghrigg adjoining to Rydal-Water head.

He made some Proposals for ye marrying of John Fleming his Son & Heir app. and he purchas'd some Land in Beckermet.

A° 35 Eliz. His Bror Charles F. covenanted with him & Will. Fleming his Son to stand seiz'd of ye 3rd pt of ye Manor of Widdiker &c. in Com. Lanc. (which were ye lands of John Rigmaden Esq.) to ye use of Will. F. ye Son & his Heirs.

A° 38. Eliz. Roger Kirby of Kirkby Ireleth Esq. enfeoff'd Jo. Preston Son & Heir app. of Tho. Preston Esq. Walter Moor, & Tho. Fleming, Gent. of Lands in K. with

* Low, a light used by salmon-poachers: "this used to be done with a low and a leister" (O.E.D.) The original bond names Francis Banke of Bank Ground as the culprit.
these witnesses; Jo. Fleming, Gilbert Stanley, Nicholas Fleming & Leo. Dolland.

A° 40. Eliz. Will. F. was appointed High Collector of ye Subsidy in ye County of Lancaster.

He made some demands upon ye Marriage of Jo. F. his Son & Heir app.

A° 40 Eliz. He and Lanc. Salkeld Esq. caus’d Two Fines to be exemplify’d, concerning ye Manors of Millum & Brettby in Coupland, Com. Cumb. A° 2. E. 2. They two intending them to sue for ye same.

A° 41 Eliz. He purchas’d Farrend or Tyson place in Coningston for 200 marks of Rich. F., Gent. of New Field in Com. Lanc.

William Fleming of Rydal, aforesd, Esq. made his last Will & Testament June r8, A° 40 Eliz. whereby He dispos’d all his Real & Personal Estate. And He being very old & sick dyed June 22 leaving Agnes his 2d Wife a Widow & John Fleming Esq. his Son & Heir, who buried ye sd W. F. June 24, 1600, at Gresmere Church in ye Burying Place belonging to ye Lords of Rydal. His Widow aforesd did survive Him above 33 years.

After ye Decease of ye sd Will. Fleming Esq. ye aforesd Manors & Lordships of Beckermet, Coningston & Rydal, & all ye rest of his Estate (save what his widow possess’d for her Life) came unto Jo. Fleming Esq. his eldest Son & Heir aforesd He was educated in ye University & at ye Inns of Court, where in his younger years He was a kind of an Hector & somewhat wild, but after his Father’s Death He became a sober, and very prudent Gentleman, an Hospitable Person (killing thirty fat Beeves yearly in his House & having Muttons &c. proportionable) & a great Improver of his Estate both Real & Personal.

By ye Inquisition, dated Sept. 4. A° 42. Eliz. under ye Hand & Seal of ye Escheator, taken upon ye Death of ye sd W. F. is found ye sd Settlement of ye Manor of Rydal &c.
That He died seised also of ye Manors or Lordships of Beckermet & Coningston, & of ye Fishing of & in Thurston-Water, & of several Lands & Tenements in Bainriggs, Torver, Blawith, & Kirkby. That ye sd Manor of Rydal was holden in Capite & ye sd Manor of Coningston was holden of ye Manor of Furness in Socage.

Jo. Fleming Esq. sued out a special Livery, Nov. 14. A0 43. Eliz. in wch year He granted unto Jo. Tyson lands in Coningston, except ye Focage* of ye Ground beneath ye Highway; ye sd Jo. Tyson discharging all for ye same, save ye Portion-Task to ye Queen's majesty when as ye same shall happen.


This Jo. Fleming was born A0 17. Eliz. & died Feb. 27. A0 18 Car. 1. his last wife being dead before Him at Coningston Hall April 6. A0 5. Car. 1.

A0 42. Eliz. The sd Jo. Flemings Mother having paid 1,000l in portion with her Daughter Eleanor F. unto Christopher Lowther of Lowther, Esq. (whose eldest Son Jo. Lowther Esq. had married ye sd Eleanor F.) He gave Agnes F. Widow aforesd a General Release, to wch ye sd Jo. Fleming was a witness.

* Focage, according to the Oxford Dictionary, may mean Feuage, or hearth-tax. The word here is a puzzle.
† The last figure is altered and unreadable; but see 'Rydal writings' in the Appendix.
A° 43. Eliz. This Jo. F. covenanted to settle ye Manors of Coningston & Beckermet &c. upon his Marriage with Alice eldest D. of Sir F[rancis] D[ucket] whose Portion was 666½ 13s 4d & ye same was settled & Intail'd accordingly, viz. to ye Heirs Males of himself, then of Daniel F. & of Joseph F. his Brethren etc.

A° 44 Eliz. He granted ye Scrow in Coningston to divers Tenants there, they paying 40s per annum and doubling ye Rent for a fine, and his Mother leas'd ye Tythe of Askham by ye name of Agnes Fleming, widow.

A° 1 Jac. He leas'd Coningston Demesne and Sheep for 7 years unto Alan Nicholdson of Hawkeshead Hall, Gent. This Lease is well drawn.


A° 3 Jac. He articled for ye purchasing of ye Manor of Skirwith, wch was bought by Agnes Fleming of Rydal, Widow, A° 4. Jac. who in that year rebuilded ye High-Mill at Skirwith.


A° 7. Jac. His Sister Grace Wife to Anthony Barwise Esq. had a Jointure made Her by Her Husband, who settled his whole Estate.

A° 7. Jac. His Mother had a Suit in ye Court of York with Atkinson & Depositions were taken therein.

This John Fleming Esq. was one of his Majesty's Justices of ye Peace for ye County of Westmorld from ye 7th of K. James's Reign (wch is ye first year that our Rolls
of Sessions make mention of him) until ye 22. of James inclusive, about which Time he was perverted and turned Romanist. He was also a Justice of Peace within ye County Palatine of Lancaster.

A° 8. Jac. He was High Sheriff of ye County of Lancast living then at Coningston, as appears by his Patent, Dated at Lancaster (under ye County Palatine Seal) Nov. 7. A° 8. Jac.

A° 8. Jac. Agnes Fleming, widow, late wife of Willm Fleming of Rydal, Esq. Jo. Fleming Esq. her eldest Son & Daniel F., Gent. her 2d Son do all join in a Conveyance (Reciting that ye sd Will. Fleming had given by his Will 1000 to ye sd Daniel F. & 1000 to his younger Bro Joseph F. who died about 12 years old, upon whose Death 200 to ye sd Daniel F. & 800 to ye said Daniel F. Gent.) of ye Manor of Skirwith &c. to ye sd Daniel F. for his Life with a Rent charge to Isabel his Wife, if she survive Him, then to Will. F. & Jo. F. his Sons in Tail; & then to ye sd Will. F. next aforesd & his Heirs for ever, with a Power of Revocation in ye sd Agnes F.

A° 9. Jac. A particular of what Tythes were paid in Coningston before this Jo. Fleming bought ye same.

A° 10. Jac. Jo. F. of Coningston Esq. granted unto Lanc. Senhouse of Kirkby Irleth, Gent. an Annuity of 13 6s 8d for his Life, for his being honest in his Affairs; To be void upon paying of 136 4s 9d.


A° 12. Jac. Will. Hudleston of Millum-Castle, Esq. & Ferdinand H. his Son & Heir app. did grant (in consideration of 75li) several Tenemts in Nettleslack & Cragg in Com. Lanc. & in Blackbeck in ye Manor of Hale in Comb. Cumb. to Jo. F. of C. Esq. It is sd yt these Tenemts &c. were given him in Lieu of his Right unto Sr Rich. Hudleston's Estate (one of whose Daughters & Heirs was married unto Hugh Fleming Esq. his great-grandfather) most of wch was Intail'd upon ye Heirs Males of that Family.


A° 13 Jac. He purchas'd divers Tenemts in Brathmeyre [Brathwait Myre] in ye Parish of Crossthwait in Com. Cumb. and his Name being made use of in these Purchases of Monk hall & Brathmyre by his Mother; it is declar'd yt they shall be to ye use of Agnes Fleming of Rydal, widow, of Jo. F. & Daniel F. her Sons & their Heirs.

A° 14 Jac. The sd Agnes Fleming bought more Lands & Tenemts within ye sd Parish of Crossthwait, making use of her Son John's Name therein.

A° 14 Jac. The sd Agnes F. & Jo. F. her Son bought
THE MEMOIRS OF SIR DANIEL FLEMING.

7 Messuages &c. in Blackbeck, Hale, Great Beckermet, Brathmire, Brathwait, Heugill, Cawdal, Bushoppot, Graystock & Sowerby in Com. Cumb.

Ao 14 Jac. Jo. F. of Rydal & Dan. F. of Skirwith his Bro, do Release several Lands, &c. bought in Cumbd in their Names, unto Agnes F. widow, their Mother.

An Award, an Acquittance and a Release between Jo. F. Esq. and Lanc. Senhouse, Gent. (who had been his Undersheriff in Lancashire) all dated in Mar. Ao 15. Jac.

Ao 15 Jac. Rich. Cocken &c. became bound unto Jo. F. of R.

Ao 15 Jac. Jo. F. Esq. purchas’d Hensingham in Cumbd.

Ao 16 Jac. Agnes F. of R., widow, did settle ye Manor of Skirwith &c. upon Daniel Fleming her 2d Son for Life, then upon Isabel (sister to Gawen Brathwait of Ambleside in Com. Westm. Esq.) Wife of ye 2d Daniel Fleming for her Life, then upon Will. F. son of ye 2d Daniel F. for Life, with divers other Remainders.

Ao 16 Jac. ye 2d Agnes, Jo. & Dan. F. did convey Monk-Hall &c. to ye 2d Agnes for Life, then to ye 2d Dan. F. for Life, then to Will. his Son in Tail, then to ye right heirs of ye 2d Will. F.

Ao 16 Jac. The 2d Agnes & John* F. purchas’d some Land near Monk hall.

Ao 17. Jac. The 2d Agnes, Jo. & Dan. F. being sued by Hodgson did answer & reply unto Him.

Ao 18. Jac. Jo. F. of R. Esq. did before that Time live in Lancashire, & was then a Commissioner for ye Subsidy in Westmorl'd, inhabiting ye most part of this last year in Westm'd.

Ao 20 Jac. Jo. F. did give Instructions unto Jo. Lowther Esq. his Bro in Law for ye Drawing of a Settlement of his Estate.

Ao 20 Jac. This Jo. F. & George Preston, Roger Kirkby

* 'Jo.' is written over 'Will.'
& Thomas Covel, Esq\textsuperscript{8} four of His Majesty's Justices of ye Peace and Quorum within ye County of Lanc. did then join in an Indenture for ye repairing of Two Bridges.

Ryd. 21. Jac. Agnes F. did settle divers Manners \&c. in Cumb. \& Lanc. upon Dame Bridget wife of Jo. F. Esq. for her Jointure, then upon ye sd Jo.'s Issue Male, then upon ye Issue Male of Will. F. his Father: In pursuance of a Deed of ye sd Jo. F. Dated Apr. 16. A\textsuperscript{0} 21. Jac.

Ryd. 20. Jac. Alan Barrow of Rydal, Turner, became bound in 10li unto Jo. F. not to cut or take any wood within Rydal Demesne nor to commit any trespass therein.

Ryd. 67. In ye same year Jo. Benson granted Pademan* Close of ye Richmond Fee in Gresmere unto Jo. F. Esq. and John Hawkrigg, yeoman.

Beck. 18. A\textsuperscript{0} 21. Jac. Jo. F. articulated with Jo. Dalston of Outon,\dagger Esq. for 40li \& 5li per ann. to lease unto Him for 21 years ye Messuages, mill \&c. at Bushoppot \& Highgill.

Beck. 22. A\textsuperscript{0} 22. Jac. Jo. F. leased ye Tythes of 2 Tenemts at Waddersbank for 21 years.

Ryd. 61. A\textsuperscript{0} 22. Jac. Agnes F. released Rydal unto Jo. F. her Son who made a Settlemt\textsuperscript{t} of his whole Estate.

Ryd. 60. A\textsuperscript{0} 1. Car. 1. John Fleming Esq. Demised all his Estate for 7 years unto Agnes F. his Mother. I presume this was occasion'd by his being, about this Time, turn'd a Popish Recusant.

In this year ye sd Agnes F. bot Walthat, and Thrang [in Great Langdale] A\textsuperscript{0} 2. Car. 1.

Ryd. j, k. In this year ye sd Agnes F. bo\textsuperscript{t} Walthat, and Thrang [in Great Langdale] A\textsuperscript{0} 2. Car. 1.

Monk. 28 A\textsuperscript{0} 3. Car. 1. St Edwd Radcliff did grant unto Agnes F. her Heirs \& Assigns to bind over her Mill-Dam unto his Grounds, \& to get stones \&c. in ye Water \& to pay Her yearly at St Andrew's Day 6s 8d with a Clause of Distress in ye Isle-Park\textsuperscript{t} for ye same. The said St Edwd is to bind over unto Monk-Hall-Grounds \& to get stones \&c. in ye

* Now 'Pavement.'
\dagger Oulton, near Wigton.
\ddagger Lord's Island, Derwentwater?
water, so as He can make a Barr yt there can be no Footway over his Dam.

This year Jo. F. Esq. bot Urswick Rectory. Baisbrown [Langdale] belong'd also to Him, 4 Car. r.

A° 5 Car. r. Jo. F. procur'd a Supersedeas for his Recusancy & an Acquittance for his Knighthood money.

A° 6 Car. I. Agnes, Jo. & Will. (son of Dan.) Fleming convey'd ye Manor of Skirwith unto Isabel Fleming for her Life, then ye same & ye Manor of Kirkland & ye 3d part of ye Manor of Brougham to ye sd Will. F. for Life, then to his r, 2, &c. Son in Tail, with divers Remainders over, and Monkhall &c. to ye sd Agnes F. for Life, then to ye sd Will. F. in Tail.

A° 7. Car. I. Jo. F. obtain'd a Licence (being a Popish Recusant)—convicted—to travel above Five miles from Rydal.

A° 6. Car. I. Agnes F. made her last will & Test. in writing Nov. 9. A° 6. Car. r. and she dying at Rydal Aug. 16. A° 7. Car. I. & being buried soon after at Gresmere near unto Will. F. her Husbd. Her will was prov'd Dec. 13. A.D. 1633. The Funeral-Expenses of ye sd Agnes F. were but 5 11 o 11d she desiring to be buried very privately. And ye Reason why it was so long a Time 'tween her Death and ye Proving of Her Will was because she died very rich, & there was a great contest about ye Probate thereof amongst her Relations; wch occasion'd it to be made per Testes, & in ye Prerogative-Court, or Exchequer of ye Archbp. of York; she having Bona notabilia within ye Province of York aforesd

Although her Death was found by Inquisition to be Aug. 16. A° Car. 7. r. yet there are some evidence for her being dead sooner viz. before ye 4th of that month.


A° 11. Car. r. Jo. F. of R. Esq. did acquit Will. F. his
Nephew Jan. 13. 1635. of 225 for 3 y² Rent of Conington-Demesne.


A° i5 Car. 1. He recd a letter from Will. Hudleston of Millum C. Esq. with 2 Copies of orders out of ye Court of Wards.

Jo. Fleming Esq. aforesd growing old & very infirm, being about 68 years of age, & having been for many years last past sorely tormented with ye Gout, he dyed at Rydal-Hall Feb. 27. 18. Car. 1. & was buried in ye Parish Church of Gresmere in ye Burying-place &c. leaving Will. F. Esq. his Son & Heir & Bridget & Agnes F. his two D. then unmarried.

Upon ye Death of ye said Jo. F. his whole Estate both Real and Personal (which was very considerable) came unto William Fleming Esq. his only Son; excepting 2000 a piece given by his Will aforesaid unto Bridget & Agnes his Ds for their Portions & some other Legacies: But ye sd William F. being about 14 y² of age at ye Time of his Father’s death, & a Popish Recusant, his sd Fathr had by his will constituted Executors & Supervisors in Trust for ye use of ye sd W. F. (& his 2 Sisters aforesd) which Executors renouncing their Executorship, ye sd Supervisors did take Administration at York & Kendal cum Testamento annexo, & did take care of ye sd Will. F.’s Estate during his Nonage, wch was during his Life, he dying before he attain’d unto ye age of 21 years.
The sd Bridget & Agnes F. did Mar. 19. A° 18. Car. i. write a Note to hinder any Stopping of ye proving of their sd Father's will at York.

This Will. F. Esq. writt a lett* all of his own Hand-writing unto Jo. F. (ye e Son of Dan.) his Cosin-Germain dated Apr. 10. 1648.

Will. Fleming Esq. aforesd (Born late in ye Night at Rydal Feb. 1. 1628) after He had been at School at Amble-side, Irton, Culchett, Millum & other places) made his Court unto one of ye Sisters of Charles now Earl of Carlisle for a Wife: But ye t two young ones not agreeing betwixt themselves, He did go along with ye sd Earl unto Bristol, Skipton-Castle & other places where ye King's Forces were, & being much amongst ye e Cavaliers, He contracted an Acquaintance with Sr Jordan Crossland of Haram-how near Hemsley, com. Ebor. Kt. who not long after married Bridget his elder sister (Agnes F. his younger S. marrying Geo. Collingwood Esq. of Eslington in Northumbd about ye e yr 1651, long after her Bror* Death). The King's Forces being routed at Preston in Lanc. by Oliver Crom-well & ye Parliam* Army, ye sd Will. F. did take a Journey unto London, where he made his Address unto ye e D. & Heir of St* Geo. Middleton of Leighton in com. Lanc: K* & Bar* & all things were so far agreed between ye e Parties concern'd as most persons did believe there wd have been very shortly a marriage between 'em had it not pleas'd God to visit him with ye small pox & to take him out of this World. He dyed in Mr Kidd's (a Taylor's) House at ye e Corner of Lincolns Inn Fields, near Clare Market May 12, A.D. 1649, & was soon after interr'd in St. Giles's in ye Fields.

He ye e said W. F. was fair hair'd, of a middle Stature, had a good Mien, & a very obliging Carriage; his Deportmt* engaging all his Acquaintance, and his lovely person being very grateful unto all such as were acquainted with him. He had a fair Fortune of which He was no Niggard.
He dyed in ye Flower of his Age, without any Issue. By whose Death his Two Sisters aforesd were made great Fortunes, being worth above 10,000l apiece. And his ancient Estate did go by Settlemt unto Will. Fleming of Skirwith in com. Cumb: Esq. his Cosin-Germain & next Heir Male, being eldest Son of Dan. F. who was younger Bro of Jo. F. of R. aforesd.

The sd Will. F. Son of Jo. F. having been in actual Service for K. Charles 1st ye Rebels put his Name (& also his Father’s) into their Bill of Sale (passed Nov. 18. A.D. 1652) tho’ both his Father & He were dead before: wch put his Heirs Males to very great Charge & Trouble afterwds to get ye Estate clear’d from ye then Commonwealth’s Title.

Daniel Fleming, altho’ He was 4th Bro of ye sd Jo. F. Esq., yet before his Death became ye 2d, his Bro’s Tho. & Will. F. dying without Issue before Him. He lived at Skirwith-Hall in Cumbd having that Manor &c. settled upon Him.

He married Isabel D. of James Brathwait of Ambleside in Westmd, Esq. by whom He had Issue

1° William F. (vid. infra).

2° Jo. F. born at Skirwith-Hall A.D. 1610, & dyed there May 30. A.D. 1662, without any Issue, & was buried in Kirkland Church Quire; Skirwith being within that Parish.


5° Daniel F. born at Sk. after his Father’s Death & bapt. Apr. 30, 1622. He had a Commission to be

* James Jackson noted in his diary (C. & W. Trans., n.s. xxii, 124) “Feb. 25th 1677; Charles Earle of Carlisle went on his Journey from London to be Governor of Jamaica.”
Lieutenant of a Troop of Horse in His Majesty's Service & was engag'd therein under ye Command of ye Earl of Newcastle. He dyed without issue.

6° Agnes F. born at Rydal Hall & was bapt. Aug. 11, 1606. She was married to Christopher Dudley of Yanewith in Com. Westm. Esq. She dyed at Yanewith Hall, Oct. 5. 1671.

7° Dorothy F. born at Sk. & bapt. Sept. 14, 1607. She was married (in a stone Quarry within Skirwith-Wood) unto Andrew Hudleston of Hutton John, Esq.*

8° Mary F. born at Sk. married to Thomas Browham of Scales-Hall in Cumb. Esq.

A° 9. Jac. He purchased ye 3d part of ye Manor of Kirkland in Cumberland & Birklands etc.

A° 10 Jac. He bt another third part of ye said Manor of Kirkland.

A° 12 Jac. He sold a Tenemt in Culgaith unto Christo. Unthank for 130£.

This Daniel Fleming was a very personable Gentleman, & so strong as He cou'd carry his Wife, who was no little Woman, in a Chair upon one Hand. He was also very active and a great Lover of Hunting, Fishing, Fowling, Gunning & such like Recreations. And it's said that ye Earl of Cumberland having disgusted Him, He bought ye sd Tenemt in Culgaith, on purpose to have an Estate nearer Whinfield Park then Skirwith was, that He might more frequently return his Lordship's Kindness as to his Deer. But They being reconciled He then sold ye sd Tenemt as is already mention'd. He also did take great Pleasure in Turning or Throwing, having thrown most of ye Wood-Chairs & Table-Frames in Skirwith-Hall.

A° 12 Jac. Jo. Lowther Esq. & Eleanor his Wife granted ye Manor of Mauldesmeaborne unto Dan. F. of Skirwith, Gent. & James Fletcher, yeo. to wch his Bror Jo. Fleming Esq. was a witness.

* For more about them see C. & W. Transactions, n.s. xxiv, 166ff.
Ao 13 Jac. He & his Broër Jo. F. made a Lease & several agreements with Rowland Hodgson, concerning Lands &c. in Browgham, Kirkland, Skirwith & Mellerby.

Kirk. 15.

Ao 15 Jac. He purchas’d Rakestrea-acre in Kirkland being an Acre of meadow.

Skir. 43.


Kirk. 18, 18a. Ao 16. Jac. He convey’d unto Agnes F. his mother, two Parts of ye Manor of Kirkland &c. wch within 10 days after she reconvey’d unto him as afores’d.

Kirk. 16a.

Ao 17 Jac. He had a Conveyance from Tho. Bartram of ye Manor of Kirkland, Birklands &c. with common of Pasture in Kirkland, Owseby & Mellerby.

Skir. 45, 45a. Ao 18. Jac. He was sued in ye Ecclesiastical Court concerning ye Tythes of Skirwith-Demesne & an order was made therein.

His death & Burial.
Skir. 50, Ryd. 55.

In ye Flower of his age He dyed Aug. 2. Ao 19. Jac. 1621 having been but a short while sick, his disease being an Imposthume; and dying at Skirwith-Hall, he was buried in ye Quire of Kirkland Church, as doth appear by some verses (engraven in Brass) upon ye Stone laid over his Grave.

Isabel his Wife surviv’d him many years, She living until June 15. A.D. 1639, when dying at Sk. she was buried in Kirkland Church, close by her late Husb’d with an Epitaph, engraven in Brass, upon her Gravestone.*

William Fleming, Esq.

William Fleming Son & Heir of Daniel F. after ye Death of his Father, did enjoy ye Manor of Skirwith & two Parts of ye Manor of Kirkland & all Monk Hall &c. within ye County of Cumb’d, excepting what Agnes F. of Rydal Widow, his Grandmother & Isabel F. widow, of Skirwith, his Moth’r, possess’d for their Lives respectively.

* The epitaphs are given in Jefferson’s Leath Ward, p. 447.
He was born at Coningston-Hall & Baptis’d at Coningston-Church Nov. 25. A° 7. Jac. He was born with a Cawl over his Head & Shoulders, wch by ye Greeks was call’d Ammios,* & by some midwives ye Child, by others ye Child’s Shirt, & in some places it is known by ye name of ye Silihow. Whether those Children who are born with Cawls about their whole or some parts of their Bodies are always Fortunate & why? See Gc. 236.

He was brought up at School at Keswick, Appleby, Blencow &c. & from thence He was sent unto ye University unto St. John’s College in Cambridge, where Doctor Daniel Ambrose, his Cosin-German, had a Care of him.

A° 15 Jac. Dalston’s Intack was purchas’d in his Name.

A° 16 Jac. He purchas’d Bristow-Tenem.§ in consideration of 111li.

A° 16 Jac. He & his Grandmr bought Court holme.

A° 16 Jac. He was admitted tenant of Ellerbeck & Little Acre.

A° 21 Jac. He was admitt’d ten’t of part of Bristow-Tenement.

A° 3. Car. 1. He was admitt’d T. of more of B.-T.† Ellerbeck & L. Acre.

A° 7 Car. 1. He purchas’d all Lowthat &c. in Kirkland for 350li

He married A.D. 1632. Alice eldest D. of Roger Kirkby of Kirkby in Com: Lanc: Esq. by whom He had Issue:

1o Daniel F., his Son & Heir apparent, who was born at Coningston-Hall, July 24 or 25—it being about midnight, A.D. 1633, & was baptiz’d at C. church, July 28, 1633.


3o William F. born at Monk Hall & baptiz’d at Cross-thwait church in Cumb. Nov. 30, A.D. 1636. He lost an

* Read ‘Ammios,’ or better ‘Ammion.’ See also ‘Sillyhow’ in the Oxford Dictionary.
† Bristow Tenement, Ellerbeck and Littleacre, near Keswick?
eye (when young) by a piece of Millstone's flying into it in Skirwith-Mill. A.D. 1660, rec'd a Commission from ye Earl of Derby to be Capt. in ye Regiment of Train-Band Foot, whereof Rich. Kirby Esq. his Cos. was Col. & afterw'd upon ye going off of Lieut. Col. Girlington & Major Carus, Alexander Rigby of Layton, Esq. was made Lieut. Col. & Will. Fleming Major of ye Regt. Apr. 3. 1683, Will. F. was made Lieut. Col. & Capt. of a Company of Foot by ye Earl of Derby Ld Lieut. of ye County Pal. of Lancastr


5° John F. born at Skirwith-Hall, Oct. 30. 1641, bapt. at Kirkld Ch. Nov. 7. 1641. & He being bound an Apprentice in London, & having been sent by his Master divers times unto ye Canary-Islands & to several Ports in Africa He was cast away in ye port of Sancta Cruce in Africa A.D. 1662, & so died without being married.*


7° Isabel F. born at Sk. Oct. 5. 1642, bapt. at Kirkld Ch. Oct. 19. 1642, died at Coningston-Hall Dec. 5. 1658. unmarried & buried at Gresmere Church, Dec. 7. 1658.

The 5th Will. F. Esq. after his being married, liv'd some years at Con. Leasing ye Demesne of his Uncle Jo. F., but so soon as He had made Monk Hall habitable, he remov'd his Family thither & liv'd there until about Candlemas next after ye Death of Isabel F., his Mothr [at Skirwith Hall] where he lived until a little after ye Death of Will.

* In the MS. the 5th son is placed before the 4th. The 4th died in infancy, and the 5th was also named John. It was not unusual for a second child, replacing one that died young, to receive the same name. Sancta Cruce probably means Agadir on the Morocco coast, formerly called Santa Cruz.
F. Esq. his Co\(^{8}\), when He removed unto Con. Hall, where he liv'd during ye remainder of his Life.

A\(^{0}\) 15. Car. i. He granted all ye Heir-looms at Skirwith unto Daniel F. his Son & Heir app. and He Demis'd ye Great Tenement, a Cottage & Middleton Acre, all in Skirwith, unto Thos F. his Bror for years.

A\(^{0}\) 18. Car. i. A prevailing Party in ye Two Houses of Lords and Commons having levied War very unlawfully agst their natural Soveraign, this William Fleming obtain'd a Commission from ye Earl of Newcastle (His Majesty's General in ye Northern Parts) to be Major of a Regt of Foot, whereof Sr Henry Fletcher of Hutton in Com. Cumb. Bart was Coll. & Will. Carleton of Carleton-Hall in ye sd County, Esq. (who was afterwds Knighted) was Lieut: Col. And this Will. F. rais'd (amongst his Neighbours at Skirwith) a very good Company of Foot, wch he commanded as Major until ye latter End of ye Year 1644. when ye Scotch Army (wch came into England to ye assistance of ye English Rebels) subdued all ye Counties of Cumberld & Westmrld, save ye City of Carlisle, wch endured a long & hard Siege.

A\(^{0}\) 23 Car. i. He bot 3d part of ye Manor of Kirkland.

The King being a Prisoner, having been treacherously sold by ye Scots unto ye English Rebels, & ye Royal Party being overcome; His Majesty gave Leave to many of his Loyal Subjects to compound with ye Parliam\(^{t}\), amongst whom this William Fleming was one, & was forc'd A\(^{0}\) 23. Car. i. to compound with ye Commissioners at Goldsmith's Hall, London, & to pay a good Sum of Money for his Loyalty & Fidelity to his Soveraign Lord ye King. Oh unfortunate Allegiance & Duty!

A\(^{0}\) 24. Car. i. The King being civilly dead and, one wou'd think, buried, ye Prisons of Princes proving (as himself observ'd) for ye most part their Graves, ye Vote of Non-addresses being as Earth flung upon Him; Fortune cruelly brings him to Life again by ye Cordial of unex-
pected Hopes, heighten'd by ye Zeal of several Counties declaring for Him. Divers Lords in arms again at Land, & his own Son with others at Sea; these encouraged by ye Revolt of several Towns, those by ye coming in of several Ships; so that there were no less than 2000 in Arms for him at sea with 20 good Ships, & not so little as 10000 at Land (besides a formidable Army of Scots under ye conduct of Duke Hamilton) with Horses, Arms and Ammunition suitable.

The loyal Inhabitants of Cumberl'd & Westmorld did now heartily appear under ye command of Sr Marmaduke Langdale, & ye sd Will. Fleming's Col. being dead, and ye Company of Foot wch He had in ye former War being dispos'd of to another, He obtain'd a Commission to be Lieut. Col. of a Regimt of Horse, whereof Jo. Lamplugh of Lamplugh, Esq. was to be Col. But before they cou'd get their Troops rais'd, Oliver Crumwel, with ye Parliament Forces, routed ye English and Scotch Armies, near Preston in Lancashire.

A o 1 Car. 2. This Will. Fleming's Cosin-German of ye same name, dyed, whose ancient Estate came by Intail unto Him, who was then ye Chief of this Family. He was 20 years Heir app. to his uncle Jo. Fleming Esq. & 20 years he was not; & yet He afterwards enjoy'ed ye old Estate belonging to his sd Uncle.

He was admitted to part of Bristow-Tenemt in ye yr aforesd.

A o 3. Car. 2. He was admitted unto ye Old Intack by Hen. Tolson Esq.

A o 5. Car. 2. He obtain'd an Allowance of his Title & of ye Title of his sons unto ye Manors of Rydal, Coningston and Beckermet before ye Commissioners for removing of Obstructions in ye Sale of Delinquent's Lands (as they were then call'd in those rebellious Times) sitting in Worcester-House, London.

He made a conveyance of ye Manor of Coningston for
ye raising of Portions to his younger Children, wch altho' it was not compleated in his Life, was made good by his Son & Heir afterwards, freely without any Compulsion or Suit.

This William Fleming having been a long time consumptive, died at Coningston-Hall, May 24. Aº 5. Car. 2. A.D. 1653. & was buried ye next Day in Gresmere Church—in ye same place where his Grandmother Agnes F. had been buried about 20 years before. He left Alice his Wife a Widow, & Daniel F. his Son & Heir, who caus'd ye Epitaph yet to be seen in Gresmere Church, to be there plac'd in Memory of his most indulgent Father.

Soon after ye marriage of ye said William Fleming Esq. and Alice Kirkby his Wife, they did dwell at Coningston-Hall, farming ye same of Jo. F. of Rydal Esq. (their Uncle) where was born about Midnight upon ye 24. or 25. Day of July, 1633. Daniel Fleming their Son & Heir app. & was Baptiz'd in Coningston-Church upon ye 28. Day of ye same Month.

He went to school at Crossthwait (first unto Mr. Wheelwright, afterwds unto Mr. Radcliff) till about Candlemas, 1639. when his Father & whole Family remov'd unto Skirwith Hall, from Monk-Hall, where ye said Dan. F. had for his Schoolmast' Mr Nat. Edgar an Irishman, who escap'd out of Ireland from ye Rebels there in Nov. 1641.

Afterwards He learn'd of Mr Southwick Curate of Kirkland, & of Mr Bartle, a Scotchman, at Irton, where He run ye Risque of being choak'd with a crab wch did stick in his Throat for 10 days in July 1644.

He afterwds learned of Mr Tho. Milburne at Dr Stevenson's House in Penrith & of loyal Mr Sanderson at Crossthwait School, A.D. 1648, as also of Mr Dodgson at Bank & at Skirwith Hall. A.D. 1649.—In June A.D. 1650. he was enter'd as a Student in Gray's Inn, not going into Commons there, nor paying his Fine, until after He had been
at ye University where (viz. to Oxon) He went July 20. A° 2. Car. 2 & was enter'd a Commoner in Queens College under ye Tutorage of Mr Tho. Smith Fellow thereof, afterwds Dean [& Bishop] of Carlisle. He was matriculated Nov. 18. 1650. He had for his Servitor Jos. Williamson, afterwards Sr Joseph Williamson. He left Oxford July 13. 1652. having been there almost Two years, & having cost his father 100li 3s 9d.

He went first into Commons at Gray's Inn. Jan. 22. 1652. paying 4li for a fine, besides Fees to ye Officers of ye House. He resided there till Sept. 28. 1653.

His marriage

Upon Monday, Aug. 27. 1655. about 11 O'Clock in ye Forenoon He was married unto Barbara Fletcher, Eldest Daughter of Sr Henry Fletcher, Bar of Hutton (who was kill'd valiantly fighting for K. Car. 1. at Routon Heath near Chester Sept. 24. 45) & of ye Lady Catherine Fletcher his Wife (who was eldest D. to Sr George Dalston of Dalston, Kt) ye Banns of Marriage between Them being publish'd in ye Parish-Churches of Hutton & Kirkland, three several Sundays or Holy Days, before, in ye Time of Divine Service, ye People being present, after ye accustomed manner: And ye sd marriage was solemniz'd First by Lancelot Fletcher of Talentyre in Com: Cumb: Esq. (privately in ye best Chamber at Hutton) as a Justice of ye Peace in ye sd County, by vertue of an Act of ye Rebels pass'd Aug. 24. 1643. Secondly, Immediately after & publickly in ye then Dining Room at Hutton (before a great many persons of Quality) by Mr Tho. Smith, then Chaplain to ye Lady Catherine Fletcher, afterwds Dean of Carlisle, acc: to ye Form of Solemnization of Matrimony in ye Book of Common Prayer. The Bride was given by her Bror Sr Geo. Fletcher; Her Portion was 1800li in Money, & Jewels etc. above ye value of 200li. Verses upon this marriage presented to Dan. F. by ye Hon'ble Hen. Hare Esq. then eldest Son of Hugh, Ld Colrain, afterwds himself Lord Colrain.
The sd Daniel Fleming Esq. had Issue by his sd Wife

1° William F. his Son and Heir app. born at Rydal-Hall July 26 (between 7 & 8 a Clock in ye Afternoon) and baptiz'd there July 31. 1656.


3° Alice F. born at R. Aug. 2. (about 7 a Clock in ye Afternoon) & bapt. there ye 10th 1658.—Confirm'd at Kendal Aug. 3. 1677.

4° Henry F. born at R. July 29. (about 8 a Cl. in ye Aft.) 1659. & bapt. there Aug. 7 next following. He was confirm'd with his Bro'r Will. & Sist. Cath. June 23. 1671.


6° John F. born at R. Oct. 29. 1662 (between 10 & 11 in ye Foren°) & bapt. Nov. 6. 1662—Being sent to accompany his Cos. Hen. Fletcher at Hutton-Hall, he died there Aug. 5. 1665. & was buried in Hutton-Church.


9° George Fleming, born at Rydal Hall, June 10. (between 4 & 5 in ye Aft.) & bapt. there ye 25th 1667.

3½ miles S.E. of Kirkby Lonsdale.
His Sponsors Mr Roger Fleming for Tho. Curwen Esq. & Mrs Elizabeth Bellingham of Levens. He was sent by his Father June 30. 1688. unto Oxford, & did go along with his Bro' Henry F. (who had been in ye County to visit his Relations) who admitted Him in St. Edmund's Hall in that University, under Doctor Jo. Mill, Principal thereof: wch was occasion'd by reason of ye great Feuds that were then in Queen's College, where his Father had rather had him admitted.*

10° Michael F. born at R. July 12 (between 7 & 8 in ye Morns) & bapt. there ye 28th 1668.


13° James F. born at R. July 15 (abt 3 in ye Morns) & bapt. there ye 25th 1672.

14° Thomas F. born at R. Oct. 1. (abt 6 in ye Morns) & bapt. there ye 21st 1673. Died there May 31. & was buried in Gresmere-Church, June 1. 1677.

15° Fletcher F. born at R. Apr. 3 (abt 3 in ye Aft.) & bapt. there ye 11th 1675. This ye 7th son without any daughter interposing; of whom his Mother died Apr. 13. 1675.

Barbara wife of ye sd Daniel Fleming Esq. having been deliver'd of her 15th Child (nam'd Fletcher after her Surname) on Apr. 3. 1675. died on Tuesday Apr. 13. following between 9 & 10 a Clock in ye Forenoon at Rydal-Hall & (dying in Child-Bed) was buried ye next Day Apr. 14 in ye Evening at Gresmere Church in ye Burying-Place

* Dr. Magrath, in a letter to the editor, says:—"D. F. gives rather a different account of how George came to go to St. Edmund Hall instead of to Queen's to what would be inferred from Henry's letter in The Flemings in Oxford, ii, 219. Henry does not mention 'ye great Feuds that were then in Queen's College' as a reason for Dixon's advice and his own determination to take George to Dr. Mills and D. F. has apparently forgotten the letter prepared for provost Halton in case he had been in College."
belonging to ye Lords of ye Manor of Rydal, amongst her Husband's Relations and Ancestors, who writ her epitaph himself, wch. is there to be seen.*

The aforesd Daniel Fleming Esq. was Commissioner for Westmorl'd by an ordinance of ye Lords & Commons, for an Assessmt of 70,000l by ye Month upon England for 3 months for ye supply of ye King's Majesty, & for and tow'ns ye paymt of ye Armies and Navies continued for ye Defence of ye Kingdom, & for other ye urgent & necessary occasions thereof. This was ye first publike business He appear'd in, & was ye first Thing yt came in his Majesty's Name.

Before ye Election at Appleby Apr. 12. 1660. He was much importun'd to stand as a Parliament-Man for ye County of Westmorl'd by Sr Jo. Lowther & many more. But it being not in ye King's Name, he wou'd not meddle therein, neither would He act as a Commissioner, nor be sworn a Justice of the Peace, although some had put in his Name, after ye Death of Oliver, in some of ye Rebels Acts & Commissions of Peace, much against his Will. He liv'd at Home and avoided all publik Affairs, until Apr. 30. 1660. when upon a Report (wch then prov'd a false one) that ye King was come into England, He caus'd a great Bone-Fire to be made before Rydal-Gates; & being at Kendal May 12. 1660. when ye News first came thither of ye King's being proclaimed (May 8. 1660) in London & Westminster, he caus'd ye Bells to be there Rung for Joy, & another Bone-fire to be made that Night before his own Gates at Rydal-Hall; and He being at Cockermouth, May 21. did there proclaim in Person his Majesty most joyfully (according to ye Form used in London) on ye Market Day, in full Market, and at ye Head of a great number of Gentlemen dwelling thereabouts; ye High-Sheriff and Undersheriff being then absent & all there

* This paragraph occurs later in the MS. and is inserted here to close the domestic notices.
thinking it not fit to be done by any ordinary Person or Officer.

After this He was appointed and acted as a Commissioner for ye Counties of Westmorland, Cumberland & Lancaster, in all Acts of Parl for ye raising of Money. He was Justice of ye Peace ( & of ye Quorum) within ye three Counties aforesd. He was Justice of Oyer and Terminer, within ye Counties of York, Durham, Northumberland, Newcastle upon Tine, Kingston upon Hull, Cumberland, Westmorland & Lancaster.

He was Deputy-Lieutenant within ye s'd Counties of Cumberl, Westmorl & Lancaster. He was employed abt ye Impress of seamen.

He was ye first High-Sheriff prick'd by his Majesty for ye County of Cumb & was ye first Licens'd to live out of ye County whereof one was Sheriff.

And as to his military Commands, He was Lieutenant of a Foot Company of ye Train-Bands in ye Barony of Kendal. Upon his Captain's going into France, He was made Captain & Sr Geo. Fletcher Col. of ye Regt. Upon ye Death of major Jo. Lowther He was Major, & upon ye Death of Sr Tho. Dacre Knt. he was commission'd to be Lieutenant-Colonel of ye Regt of Train-band-Foot, rais'd within ye Counties of Westmorl & Cumberl, throughout all these Changes ever keeping his first Company of Foot, they being his Neighbours, & ye best Company (for Men & Estates) in ye Regim, & ye most numerous, save ye Colonel's Company. He having Notice of some Rebels intending to take Arms in Westmorland, by his Activity in raising ye Trainbands in ye Barony & by his keeping of Kendal, prevented ye rebelling of any in that part of ye County, save one Man that repair'd unto Capt. Atkinson upon Keeber-Rigg* & his Company there to acquaint 'em, that ye King's Forces were drawn together, & had seiz'd

* The Kaber Rigg Plot; on which further details are given in C. & W. Transactions, n.s., xii, 212ff.
upon Kendal, & that none cou'd safely rise in that County to assist ye Rebels, wch made 'em forthwith disperse to their several Habitations; who were afterward apprehended & Capt. Atkinson & divers others of 'em, Mar. 18. 1663, were condemn'd & executed at Appleby for High-Treason.

Being commanded to march his men unto Newcastle upon Tine, in ye time of ye Dutch-Wars, he & they met with Counter-orders at Penrith, & so return'd all Home again.

He was very active in his Majesty's Behalf, when ye news of ye Firing of London arriv'd him A.D. 1666. & he gave ye first Notice thereof to his Colonel and Lord Lieutt.

He was no less active upon his hearing of ye Scotch Rebelling A.D. 1666. and also of their rebelling A.D. 1679. He being then commanded (in ye Colonel's absence) to raise all ye Train-bands in ye County of Westm. & forthwith to march them unto ye City of Carlisle, to help to defend that Garrison, which was accordingly done, until ye Duke of Monmouth had quite routed & dispers'd all ye Rebels in Scotl. & until ye Cumberland-Train-Bands came unto Carlisle to relieve them, who commanded that Garrison ten days as ye Westm. Soldiers had done before them.

Notwithstanding his constantly residing in ye County & his not being at London, but a while A.D. 1662, when he pass'd his Acc. as High Sheriff of Cumberland, ye sd Daniel Fleming had a very good Esteem at Court, as appears by ye many very kind Letters, wch. He from time to time rec'd from ye King's Secretaries of State.

The sd Daniel Fleming rec'd ye Honour of Knighthood from ye King at Windsor-Castle (His Majesty voluntarily offering it & using ye sd Daniel's own Sword in knighting Him) May 15. A.D. 1681. The Fees He paid to ye King's Servants, being due from all Persons who receive ye Honour of Knighthood, amounted to ye Sum of 78Li 13s 4d.
THE Conclusion.

Having now acquainted you with so many of ye most remarkable Things relating unto this Family as I cou'd meet with any good Authority (even from ye Time of ye Conquest of England unto ye Day aforesd) and drawing tow'ds ye End of this Book, I shall only add, that, according to an old Tradition in this Family,* the Earls of Wigton in Scotland & ye Barons Fleming of Slane in Ireland, are both sprung from Branches of this Stem: That James Fleming Mayor (Lord-Mayor beginning A.D. 1389) of ye City of York, A.D. 1298, & Nicholas Fleming Mayor of ye same A.D. 1311, 1312, 1313, 1314, 1315, 1316, & 1319 (in wch. year he was slain at Myton upon Swale in opposing ye Scotts) & Lawrence Fleming one of ye 3 Bailiffs of ye City aforesd 1298 (ye 2 Sheriffs thereof beginning A.D. 1397) & Walter Fleming another Bailiff of ye sd City A.D. 1305 & 1306. were Younger Brethren, as 'tis said, of this Family. That Sir Daniel Fleming aforesd is ye 21st Lord (of his Surname & Family) of ye Manor of Beckermet, ye 18th Lord of ye Manor of Coningston, ye 10th Lord of ye Manor of Rydal, and ye 4th Owner of ye Manor of Skirwith, of Monk-Hall etc. That there have been Twelve Knights of ye sd Family, & that each Chief of ye sd Family (who then married) was either a Knight himself or married a Knight’s (or Baronet’s) Daughter to his Wife; & That all ye younger Brethren of this Family since King Henry 8th's Time, are certainly sett down; but of those before there is not ye like Exactness; ancient Records & Writings not taking Notice of them all. Give me leave here to conclude with Part of an ancient epitaph,

Nit Decus, aut Splendor, nil Regia Nomina prosunt,
Splendida Divitiis nil juvat ampla Domus.
Omnia fluxerunt, Virtutis sola remansit
Gloria Tartareis non abolenda Rogis.

* No further evidence appears to have been offered in support of the connexions claimed in this paragraph.
THE MEMOIRS OF SIR DANIEL FLEMING.

with these Verses,

Nemo confidat nimiūm secundis,
Nemo desperet meliora lapsus;
Miscet hæc illis, prohibetq. Clotho
Stare fortunam.

And with this Prayer
That God wou'd be pleasd to continue his Great
Mercies and Blessings unto all related unto this Family;
& that they may ever be truly thankful for ye same.

Amen.

Gratias Tibi Deus; Gratias Tibi vera & una Trinitas,
una & trina Veritas, trina & una Unitas.


Finis.

CAERNARVON-Castle.

In ye Manor of Beckermet there is a Mount or Hill,
whereon there is yet to be seen ye Ruins of a notable Fort
of an oblong Square; ye Dimensions whereof (tho' now
much less than what they were at first, by reason that ye
Earth is much shrunk down & alter'd by plowing) are
yet as followeth, viz. The Length of ye Castle within ye
Ditch from ye East to ye West is above one Hundred
Yards, & ye Breadth thereof from ye North to ye South is
near Ninety Yards. On either side of ye Ditch there is
yet visible a great Bank of Earth, & ye Ditch at ye Top is
about Twelve Yards broad, & at ye Bottom about Eight
Yards. The Depth of it is about Twelve Foot. The
main Entrance into this Castle hath been at ye East End
thereof; there being yet visible a deep & broad Way
leading thereunto from ye High Street (or Common Road)
near unto wch it is placed. Another Entrance into this
Castle hath also been at ye West End, opposite to wch there
is (near ye same on ye Edge of ye Mount) a little round
Hill artificially rais'd, & now call'd Conygarth-Copp (ye
Grounds about it being now call’d Conygarth, probably from its having been anciently a Cony-Warren) of about Twelve Yards now in Height, wch at ye Top is near Six Yards in Breadth, & whereupon, as it shd seem, some Keep or Watch-Tower hath formerly stood; from whence ye Watch-men might easily view a great Part of ye adjoining Sea. By ye Country-People (dwelling there-about) this Place bears ye Name of Caernarvon-Castle.*

**Gleston-Castle.**

The Castle & Town of Gleston, are plac’d in or near unto ye Dominion or Manor of Aldingham in Lanc. wch Castle hath been very large & strong, containing Four fair Towers of a great Height, besides many other Buildings with very thick Walls.

This Castle is seated very pleasantly in a fruitful Vale near a delicate Spring of Water, wch turneth Two Mills with its Stream, amongst rich & pleasant Meadows, & a little distant from a large & well built Town; all wch tho’ plac’d not far from ye Sea, yet are defended from ye Inconveniences thereof by fruitfull Hills, wch make this Castle & Town to be ye best seated in all that Country.

**Coningston.**

Coningston (Regis Villa) call’d also of late years Coniston (Conani Villa) is situated upon ye West-side of a great Lake or Meer, call’d Coningston-Water, nor far from ye Head thereof, being near a Ridge of very high Fells, or Mountains, call’d Coningston-Fells.

In this Town is a Chapel called Coningston-Chapel, wch was made Parochial (being many miles distant from ye

* This description differs slightly from that in Sir Daniel’s *Description of Cumberland* (No. 3 in this ‘Tract Series,’ 1889) p. 6. The site is further described in Dr. Parker’s *Gosforth District* (Vol. XV in the Extra Series of this Society, pp. 127-131) with this additional note of Sir Daniel’s that a stone was found there inscribed ‘**DOMIN: RICARD . . .** (and as Dr. Magrath restores it) **[EL]IZABET[HA] SPONSA [EIVS].’ See *The Flemings in Oxford*, ii. 204-5.
Parish Church of Ulverston) by William Bp. of Chester (I believe William Chadderton) who licens'd ye Inhabitants to bury & christen there, with a proviso to pay all Dues to ye Parish Church of Ulverston, & to pay a competent Salary to a Minister at Coniston. Dated at Dalton in his Triennial Visitation July 20. A.D. 1586.

Here is also ye Lordship or Manor of Coningston, wherein there is a good Demesne, & many customary Tenants, who pay Fines arbitrary at ye Change of every Lord by Death, & Twenty Years ancient Rent upon ye Change of every Tenant by Death or Alienation, besides divers other Dues, Duties & Customs.

In this Demesne is a large Park, call'd Coningston Park, wch was charter'd in ye Reign of K. Edw. I. & is well-wooded & replenish'd with Fallow-Deer. This Park is bounder'd on ye West by Coningston-Fells & upon ye East by Water; in wch Park near ye bank of ye sd Water, is plac'd ye Manor-House, a fair Building, call'd Coningston-Hall; wch was much beautifi'd, if not Rebuilded by Will. Fleming Esq. about A.D. 1570 (Glased A.D. 1572. Wainscotted 1575).

In this Lordship are very high Fells or Mountains, wherein are Mines of lead, and where (besides Limestones and excellent Blew Slate) is great Store of Copper Oar. In these Hills heretofore was much Copper oar got & carried on Horseback unto Keswick in Cumberl'd where it was smelted.

In ye woods here many Martons are often catch'd, whose Skins are sold at a good Rate, being an excellent Furr.

The Lake aforesd call'd C. Water, & anciently Thurston-Water, is a great Meer or Logh of about Five miles in Length and one mile in Breadth & of a great Depth; wherein are yearly got with Nets, many Pikes, or Jacks, Bass or Perch, Trouts, Eels, & Charrs; wch last is a kind of Fish (of about a Quarter of a Yard in Length, & somewhat like unto a Trout, but generally having red Bellies) that is
much esteem'd & valued, being sold here for ye most part at Two Pence apiece & many Charr-Pies being yearly in Lent (when this Fish is in Season) sent unto London & other distant Places, by reason of ye Deliciousness of ye Tast of 'em, of their Wholesomeness, & of ye Scarceness of this k̃d of Fish; there being none to be got save in this Lake & in Windermere in Westmorland: But these are generally esteem'd by knowing Persons to be only Case; a kind of Fish somewhat like unto a Charr, but* near so valuable.

The Fishing of Coningston-Water hath Time out of mind belong'd unto ye Lords of Coningston aforesd.

A little above ye s̃ Chapel of Coningston Sr Dan. Fleming, K̃ then Lord of this Manor did build an Iron-Forge, with all Horses [Houses?] thereunto belonging A.D. 1675.

The first owners of this Lordship or Manor of C. that can be discover'd were ye Barons of Kendal. For it appears, that Gilbert ye Son of Roger, ye Son of Reinfrid Baron of Kendal, did grant or confirm unto Gilbert de Urswick, ye son of Adam, ye son of Bernulph, Cu̇ning-stone to be holden by Homage & Knight's Service, faciendo Forinsecum Servitium quantum pertinet ad dimidiam Carucatam Terrae de feodo unius militis de Lonc.' with all Liberties &c. within ye Bounds of Cu̇ning-ston (w̃ch are particulariz'd in ye Deed) Excepting Harts & Hinds &c. with License to essart (viz. to grub up & clear ye Ground of Bushes, Shrubs, etc.) and to build a Mill. There are many Witnesses named in this Deed, w̃ch is without any Date, & upon ye Seal there is ye Picture of a Man arm'd on Horseback.

Coningston-Hall aforesd was ye Seat and chief Habitation of ye Family of ye Urswicks, & continued so to be

* Sic, but read 'not near so valuable.' The red char, formerly called 'Case' and the silver char, though different in habits, are said by Mr. John Watson (The Lake District Fisheries, pp. 209-212) to be of the same species; but the life-history of the fish is imperfectly known.
until Elizabeth de Urswick (sister and Heir of Adam and Jo. de Urswick, Sons of Adam de Urswick, who was son of Gilbert de Urswick next aforesd) did bring this L. or M. of C. unto Sr Rich. le Fleming of Caernarvon-Castle within ye L. or M. of Beckermet in Com. Cumb. Kn\textsuperscript{t}, Husband of ye sd Eliz. de Urswick in ye reign of K. Hen. 3 about ye 24\textsuperscript{th} yr of whose Reign ye Baron of Kendal (viz. Will. de Lancaster 3\textsuperscript{d}) confirm'd ye Grant of Coningston with its Appurtenances, to be holden by Knight's Service, & ye Rent of 2\textsuperscript{d} ob. per ann.

This Lordship of Coningston hath been possess'd ever since by ye sd Sr Richard le Fleming & his Heirs Males; and He, or some of them, having caus'd ye sd castle of Caernarvon to be pull'd down, and ye Demesne Lands there to be Lett unto Customary Tenants, constantly Resided here at Coningston-Hall, until ye Reign of K. Hen. 6. when Sr Thomas le Fleming, Kn\textsuperscript{t} got ye L. or M. of Rydal by marrying Isabel one of ye 4 Daughters and Co-heirs of Sr Jo. de Lancaster of Rydal and Holgill-Castle in ye county of Westmorland, Kn\textsuperscript{t}. After wch Match ye sd Sr Tho. le F. & his Heirs Males, liv'd sometimes at Rydal-Hall & sometimes here at Coningston-Hall.

This Town is sometimes call'd Fleming-Coningston, to distinguish it from another Coningston, lying on ye other side of ye Water, wch having been given to ye Abbey of Furness, & been enjoy'd thereby until its Dissolution in K. Hen. 8's time, it is usually styled Monck-Coningston.

**RYDAL.**

Rydal (wch if a man interpret according to our ancient Language, is as much as ye River's Valley) is by a little River on ye East Side call'd Scandel Beck, divided from Ambleside, where is now a little Market Town & heretofore was an ancient City and Fortress, whereof our learned Antiquary hath given an account, presuming it to be that
Ambogiana, whereof ye Book of Notices maketh Mention.*

And on ye South Side Rydal is parted by ye River Brathey from ye County Palatine of Lancaster. The L. or M. of Rydal is within ye Parish of Gresmere & County of Westm. in ye Church of wch Parish ye Lords of ye m. of R. have had anciently a peculiar Burying-Place for themselves & their Family at Rydal-Hall and have ye Advowzen of this Church wch was dedicated unto . . . .† & A° 26. H. 8 was rated at 281111 8 5d ob.

Within ye s'd Lp or M there is a large Demesne and many Customary Tenants, who pay Fines arbitrary at ye Change of every Lord by Death, & 20 ye's ancient Rent upon ye Change of every Tenant by Death or Alienation, besides Heriots and divers other Dues, Duties and Services.

In this Demesne is a large Park call'd Rydal Park, wch was charter'd in ye Reign of K. Edw. 1. & is well wooded & was well replenish'd with Fallow-Deer until Will. Fleming Esq. (Great Grand-Fathr of Sr Daniel F.) caus'd all ye Deer to be kill'd. Here was also another Park call'd ye Low-Park, but that hath been Disparked a long time ago, notwithstanding it hath much wood therein. Altho' there are now no Deer in either of ye s'd Parks, yet there are many Martons (Beasts of Park or chase) v. supra.

Upon ye Top of a Round Hill near unto ye South side of ye High-Way leading from Keswick in Cumb. to Ambleside & Kendal in Westm. was anciently plac'd ye Manor-House call'd Rydal-Hall, near unto ye Low Park aforesd: But upon ye building of another Hall upon ye North Side of ye s'd High-Way, near unto ye High Park, ye s'd Manor House, for want of Inhabitants & Repairs, became ruinous and got ye Name of ye Old Hall, wch it still beareth, where is now to be seen nothing but ye Ruins of Buildings,

* Ambogiana, however spelt, was certainly Birdoswald, and Professor Haverfield identified the Roman fort at Ambleside with Galava or Calava, on the Tenth Iter (C. & W. Transactions, n.s. xx, 241).
† Note that Sir Daniel himself did not know of the dedication to St. Oswald.
Walks & Fish-Ponds; & ye Place, where ye Orchard was, is now a large Close, without ever a Fruit-Tree therein, call'd now ye Old Orchard.

The New Hall, call'd also Rydal-Hall, is a large & convenient House, considering it hath been built at several times, & is plac'd upon a Hill-Side, with a pleasant Prospect over most of ye Vale, & over part of Winandermere, ye greatest standing Water in all England.

This is a very wholesome and pleasant Seat, for such a mountainous Country; being very well water'd & wooded, standing very dry, & having pleasant Gardens, Orchards, Walks, a Pond, a Mill, & a Grot, adjoining thereunto.

Near unto this Hall, on ye East Side, doth run a Rivulet call'd the Gill; & a little below it, on ye South Side, ye River Routha taketh its Course, wch probably gave name to this Dale, & runneth by Ambleside into Windermere.

There do yearly swim up this River of Routha (wch perhaps is worth ye taking Notice of) many very large *Trouts*, & up ye River of Brathey great store of Case; & altho' these Two Rivers do run a great way together in one Channel, before they disembogue into Windermere, & are both very clear & bottom'd alike; yet ye Lords of Rydal (to whom ye Fishing of both these Rivers doth belong) scarce ever catch any Trouts in Brathey or any Case in Routha; notwithstanding they yearly do get many Case in ye former & many Trouts in ye other River.*

Not so far from Rydal-Hall is a great lake call'd Rydal-Water (styled sometimes anciently Routha-Mere) wherein are divers little Islands & great Store of Fish, as Pikes, Perch, Trouts, Eels, &c. wch, as also Elter-Water, Loughrigg-Tarn, ye Rivers of Braythey, Routha &c. all in ye sd Parish of Gresmere, have anciently belong'd to ye Lords of

* This is not untrue. Trout can spawn in the Brathay but prefer the shallower Rothay. Char, being a survival from the glacial age, live in cold depths and find suitable pools up the Brathay for their spawning (Sir Herbert Maxwell, introduction to *Lake District Fisheries* already cited).
ye M. of Rydal, keeping Boats on some of 'em, both for Pleasure and Profit. A little Northwd of Rydal-Hall is a very High Mountain called Rydal Head, on ye Top whereof is very fair and level Ground called ye Fair Field, from whence, on a clear Day, a man may see Lancaster Castle, a great part of ye Irish Sea, ye Isle of Man, part of Scotland &c.

This Lp or Mr of Rydal, being anciently parcel of ye Barony of Kendal, was first possess'd, about ye Time of ye Conquest of Engld, by Ivo de Tailbois, who, besides ye Barony of Kendal held in Capite of ye King, ye Barony of Hephall, with his Wife who was ye D. of Will. de Bardolph, & by whom He had Issue Elthred, who had Issue Ketell, who had Issue Gilbert, who had issue William ye 1st, who probably as Governor of Lancaster-Castle, did first assume (by ye King's License) ye Surname of Lancaster, & was also styled Baron of Kendal; who was before call'd de Tailbois.* He had Issue Will. de Lancaster 2d who had Issue only a daughter called Helewise, whom K. Rich. I. gave in Marriage to Gilbert ye son of Roger Fitz-Reinfride, who had issue Will. de Lancaster 3d, who had only Daughters when his Line, & ye Barony, was at an End. Brothr to ye sd Willm, by ye Half-Blood, as it seems, was Roger de Lancaster, who left Issue Jo. de Lancaster, who died in 8 E. 3. seiz'd (inter alia) of ye Manor of Rydal. Amora† his wife did outlive Him, & held ye M. of Rydal

* "The origin of the Lancaster family is shrouded in mystery. The monks of St. Mary of York deduced Gilbert de Lancaster from Ivo Taillebois, viz., son of Ketill, son of Eldred, son of Ivo (Monasticon, iii, p. 553). While it is quite certain that Ivo died without male issue, it is not impossible that Gilbert may have been the son of Ketell, son of Eldred." But "there is no evidence to be found that relationship existed between Gilbert and Ketell. We are therefore reduced either to disbelieving the relationship altogether, or to placing credit upon the statement made by the monks of St. Mary of York, notwithstanding the fact that part of that statement, viz. that Eldred was the son of Ivo Taillebois, is disproved by after events" (William Farrer, Lancs. Pipe Rolls, etc., p. vii).

† Read 'Annora,' whose inq. p.m. is given in C. & W. Transactions, n.s., x, 483f.
for her Life, with a Remainder thereof to Jo. de Lancaster, de Holgill & his Heirs, being next Heir Male of this Family. He was a Kn & had Issue Will. de Lancaster, who had Issue William, who was a Kn & had Issue Jo. de Lancaster who was a Kn, & who dying, without Issue Male, his whole Estate was divided amongst ye Husbands of his 4 Daughters & Heirs A 21. H. 6. And ye L. or M. of Rydal falling unto ye share of Thomas Fleming in ye Right of Isabel his Wife one of ye sd Coheirs, ye sd Tho. Fleming & his Heirs Males have ever since liv'd at Rydal-Hall, unless sometimes at Coningston-Hall, ye more ancient Habitation belonging unto this Family.

**The Arms belonging to ye Family of Flemings.**

The Paternal Arms of this Family are, Gules, a Fret, Argent; wch kind of Bearing is by ye French Heralds blazon'd, Gules, a Fret of six pieces, Argent. This Atchievemt is Insign'd with an Helmet fitting ye Degree of ye Bearer, & thereupon a Mantle of Antique Form, Gules, doubled, Argent, thereon a Serpent nowed, holding a Garland of Olives & Vines in her Mouth, all proper, in an Escrole underneath (sometimes above) this Motto, or Device, viz. Pax, Copia, Sapientia (sometimes plac'd thus, Sapientia, Pax, Copia).

Sir John le Fleming's Arms & Seal. See pag. [15].
Sir Richard le Fleming's Arms & Seal. See pag. [19].
Sir Richard le Fleming's SEAL. See pag. [32].
Sir Thomas le Fleming's Arms. See pag. [35].
Daniel Fleming younger Bro of Jo. Fleming Esq. He quarter'd all ye Arms that his Elder Brother Jo. did, with a Crescent as a Difference for a 2d Bro wch may be seen in several Glass-Windows within Skirwith-Hall.

William Fleming Esq. He quarter'd ye same Arms with ye Addition of a Crescent, wch his Uncle Jo. Fleming of Rydal Esq. & his son Will. F. did quarter, but after May 12. 1649. when his Cosin German Will aforesd dyed,
without any Issue, then He gave over ye bearing ye Crescent. He impaled ye Kirkby's Arms.

Sir Daniel Fleming, Kn. The Achievemt belonging to Him thus Blazon'd. He beareth Fifteen Coats, marshall'd in one Shield (hung Corner-way) as followeth viz.

1. Gules, a Frett (of Six Pieces) Argent, wch He beareth as his Paternal Coat, by ye Name of Fleming.
2. Argent on a Bend Sable, 3 losenges of ye first, charg'd each with a Saltire, Gules, by ye Name of Urswick.
3. Argent, two Barrs, Gules, on a Canton of ye Second, a Lion passant, guardant, Or, by ye Name of Lancaster.
5. Argent, a Bend, between Two Mullets, Sable, by ye Name of Millum.
6. Argent, a Chevron, between Three Bulls Heads caboss'd, Sable (some leave out ye Chevron) by ye Name of Boyvell.
7. Parted per Pale, Gules & Argent, six Martlets counterchang'd, by ye Name of Fenwick.
8. Argent, a Lion Rampant, Sable, armed and Langued, Gules, by ye Name of Stapleton.
10. Barry of 8 pieces, Or & Gules, by ye Name of Fitz-Alan.
11. Sable, a Frett, Or, by ye Name of Mautravers or Maltravers.
12. Parted per Pale, Or and Vert, a Cross-molin, Gules; (some parted per Pale, Argent & Gules, a Cross Flower, Or) by ye Name of Ingham.
13. Azure, a Fess between 3 Leopard Heads, Or, by ye Name of Delapole.
14. Parted per Pale, Argent & Gules, a Bend Counterchang'd, by ye Name of Chaucer.
15. As ye first (to fill up ye square). Insign'd with an Helmet fitting his Degree, & thereupon
a Mantle, of antique Form, Gules, Doubled, Argent, above ye same a Torse,* Argent & Gules, thereon a Serpent nowed with a Garland of Olives and Vines in her Mouth, all proper. In an Escrole underneath, His Motto, or Device, viz. Pax, Copia, Sapientia. A Word relating unto his Crest; as Peace to ye Olive-Branches, Plenty to ye Vine & Wisdom to ye Serpent, wch holdeth the other Two fast in her Mouth.

The sd Daniel Fleming Impaled his Wife's Arms, she bearing, Argent, a Cross ingrailed, Sable, between Four Ogresses,† each charg'd with a Pheon of ye first, by ye Name of Fletcher.

All ye Arms above, in ye Atchievemt belonging to ye sd Dan. Fleming, after Hodleston's Coat, are quarter'd by vertue of that match, viz. Hodleston married Millum's (who had married Boyvel's) Heir; then Hodleston married Fenwick's Heir, and afterwards Stappleton's. Stapleton married Fauconberge's Heir, & Fitz-Alan's. Fitz-Alan had married ye Heir of Maltravers. Then Stappleton married Ingham's Heir and Delapole's. Delapole had married ye Heir of Chaucer. As to Urswick and Lancaster Fleming had married before ye Heirs of them Two, getting Coningston & Rydal by those two Marriages.

His Seals, wch He (i.e. Sr Dan. F. Kt) made use of, were either of Silver or of Steel: That of Silver, hath his Crest cut on ye one End and his Paternal Coat on ye other; His Steel Seal had all ye coats quarter'd by him, without any crest cut thereon.—He had also a Gold Seal-Ring, wch was his Father's, but that not being rightly cut, & having only ye Crest thereon, He used not ye same.

Lowther's Arms. Or, Six Annulets 3, 2, 1, Sable.
Lamplugh's Arms. Or, a Cross, flowery, Sable.
Bindloss's Arms. Quarterly parted per Fess indented

* I.e. the twisted wreath of a crest.
† I.e. black pellets or "roundels sable."
Or and Gules, on a Bend Azure, a Cinque-foil between 2 Martlets, of ye 1st.

Ducket's Arms. Sable, a salter, argent.

Norris' Arms. Quarterly Argent & Gules, in ye 2d & 3d Quarters a Fret, Or, over all, a Bar Azure.

Strickland's Arms. Sable, 3 Scallops, Argent.

Brathwait's Arms. 1. Gules on a Chevron Argent, 3 Cross-Crosslets, fitched Sable with a Crescent for ye Difference from ye B’s of Warcup. 2. Or, a Bugle, garnish’d & furnish’d Sable.

Kirkby's Arms. Argent, 2 Barrs, Gules, on a Canton of ye 2d, a Cross Molyne, Or.

Berdsey's Arms. Argent, two Barrs, Gules, on a Canton of ye 2d a Manch of ye 1st.

Layburne's Arms. Azure, six Lioncels Ramp. 3, 2, 1, Argent, but Or according to Guillim.

Middleton's Arms. A. a salter ingrail'd S.

Horton's Arms. A. a Bugle S. string'd, G. on a Canton of ye 2d a Martlet of ye 1st.

Rigmaden's Arms. A. Three Stagg's Heads couped, S.

Stanley's Arms. A. on a Bend, B. 3 Stagg's Heads Caboshed, O. with two Cortises,* V.

Thwaits's Arms. A. a Cross S. Frettee, O.

Broughton's Arms. A. 2 Barrs, G. on a Canton of ye 2d a Cross, Or.

Sr D. F's ADVICE TO HIS SON.

Son,

The vertuous Inclination of thy matchless Mother, by whose Godly and tender Care thy Infancy was govern'd, together with thy Education under so zealous and excellent a Schoolmaster, puts me rather in Assurance than hope, that thou art not ignorant of that summary Bond, wch is only able to make thee happy, as well in thy Death as Life; I mean the true Knowledge and Worship of thy Creator and Redeemer, without wch all other Things are

* The heraldic ordinary, usually ' cotise.'
vain and miserable; so that thy Life being guided by so all-sufficient a Teacher, I make no Doubt but he will furnish thy Life both with divine and moral Documents; Yet that I may not cast off the Care befitting a Parent towards his Child, or that thou shou'dst have Cause to derive thy whole Felicity and Welfare rather from others than from whom thou receivedst thy Birth and Being, I think it fit and agreeable to the Affection I bear thee to help thee with such Advertisements and Rules for the Squaring of thy Life, as are gather'd rather by long Experience, than by much Reading; to the End that thou, entering into this exorbitant Age, may be the better prepar'd to shun those ill Courses, whereinto this World and thy Lack of Experience may easily draw thee. And, because I will not confound thy Memory, I have reduced them into Ten Precepts, wch if thou imprint in thy Mind, thou shalt reap the Benefit, and I the Comfort and Contentment.

When it shall please God to bring thee to Man's Estate, use great Providence and Circumspection in the Choice of thy Wife; for from thence may spring, as thy future Good, so thine Ill; and it is an Action like unto a Stratagem of War, wherein a Man can, for the most Part, err but once. If thy Estate be good, match near Hand and at Leisure, if it be otherwise then far off and quickly. Enquire diligently of her Disposition, and how her Parents have been inclin'd in their Youth. Let her not be poor, how generous* soever, for a Man can buy nothing in the Market with Gentility, nor chuse a base and uncomely Creature altogether for Wealth, for it will cause in others Contempt and Loathing in thy self. Neither make Choice of a Dwarf, nor a Fool, for by the one thou shalt beget a race of Pigmies, and the other will be a daily Disgrace, and it will irke thee to hear her talk, for thou shalt find, to thy

* Here 'generous' means 'well-bred'; and in § 8, 'behaving like a gentleman.'
great Grief, that there is nothing more fulsome than a She-fool. And touching the Governmt of thy House, let thy Hospitality be moderate, and according to the Measure of thy own Estate, rather plentiful than sparing, but not too costly; for I never knew or heard of any grow poor by keeping an orderly Table; but many consume themselves through secret Vices, and then Hospitality bears the Blame. But banish all swineish Drunkards out of thy House, wch is a Vice that impaireth Health, consumeth Wealth, and makes no shew but of Beastliness. And I never heard any Praise ascrib’d to a Drunkard, more than the well-bearing of his Drink, wch is a fitter Comendation for a Brewer’s Horse or a Drayman, than for either a Gentleman or Serving Man.

And beware thou spend not above Three of the Four Parts of thy clear yearly Revenue, nor above the Third Part of that in thy House; for the other two Parts will do no more than defray thy Extraordinaries wch will always surmount thy Ordinaries by much; otherwise thou shalt live like a Rich Beggar in continual Want; and the needy Man can never live happily, nor contentedly, for then every least Disaster makes him ready either to mortgage or sell; and that Gentleman that sells an Acre of Land, loses an Ounce of Credit; for Gentility is nothing but ancient Riches; so that if the Foundation be sunk, the Building must needs follow.

Bring thy Children up in Learning and Obedience, yet without Austerity; praise them openly, and reprehend them secretly; give them good Countenance and convenient Maintenance according to thine Ability, otherwise thy Life will seem their Bondage, and then what Portions thou shalt leave them at thy Death, they will thank Death for it and not thee; and I am persuaded that the foolish Cockering of some Parents, and the over stern Carriage of others, makes more Men and Women to take ill Courses, than their own vicious Inclinations.
Marry thy Daughters in time lest they marry themselves; and suffer not thy Sons to pass the Alpes, for they shall learn there nothing but Blasphemy, Swearing and Atheism; and if by Travel they chance to get a few broken Languages, they will profit them no more than to have one Meat serv'd in divers Dishes.

Neither by my Consent shalt thou train them up to Wars, for he that sets up his Rest to live by that Profession, can hardly be an honest Man, or a good Christian; for every War is of it self unjust, unless the Cause make it just; besides it is a Science no longer in Request than there is use for Soldiers; for in the time of Peace, they are like to Chimneys in Summer.

Live not in the Country without Corn and Cattel about thee, for he that must put his Hand into his Purse for every expence of Houshold, is like to him that keeps Water in a Sieve, and what Provision thou shalt [need?] to buy, buy it at the best Hand, for there is a Penny in four sav'd betwixt buying at thy Need, and when the Markets and Seasons serve fittest for it. And be not serv'd with Kinsmen, Friends or Men intreated to stay, for they will expect much and do little; nor with such as are amorous, for their Heads are always intoxicated; and keep rather Two too few than one too many. Feed them well and pay them with the most; and then thou may'st boldly require Service and Duty at their Hands.

Let thy Kindred and Allies be welcome to thy Table. Grace them with thy Countenance and ever further them in all their honest Actions; for by this means thou shalt so double the Bond of Nature as thou shalt find them so many Advocates to plead an Apology for thee behind thy Back: But shake off those Glow-worms, I mean Parasites and Sycophants, who will feed and fawn upon thee in the Time of Prosperity; but in any Adversity or Storm, they will shelter thee no more than an Arbour in Winter.

Beware of Suretiship for thy best Friends; for he that
payeth another man's Debts, seeks his own Decay; but if thou can'st not otherwise choose, rather lend thy Money thyself upon good Bonds, tho' thou borrow it; so shalt thou both pleasure thy Friend and secure thy self. Neither borrow Money of Neighbours or Friends, but of a mere Stranger, where paying for it thou shalt hear no more of it; otherwise thou shalt eclipse thy Credit, lose thy Freedom, and yet pay as dear as to any other; But in borrowing of Money be precious of thy Word, for he that hath a Care to keep Days of Payment, is often Lord of another Man's Purse.

6. Undertake no Suit agst a poor Man, without receiving of much Wrong, for, besides thou makest him thy Competitor, it is held a base Conquest to triumph where there is small Resistance: Neither attempt Law against any Man, before thou be fully Resolv'd that thou hast the Right on thy Side, and then spare neither for Money nor Pains, for a Cause or two, being well-follow'd & obtain'd, will after free thee from Suits a great Part of thy Life.

7. Be sure to keep always some great Man thy Friend; but trouble him not for Trifles; compliment him often; present him with many, yet small Gifts and of little Charge; and if thou hast Cause to bestow any great Gratuity, let it be some such thing as may be daily in Sight; otherwise in this ambitious Age, thou shalt remain like an Hop without a Pole, live in Obscurity and be made a Football for every insulting Companion to spurn at.

8. Towards thy Superiors be humble, yet generous; with thy Equals familiar, yet respective; towards thy Inferiors shew much Humility, and some Familiarity, as to bow thy Body, stretch forth thy Hand, uncover thy Head, and such like popular Compliments: The first prepares thy Way to Advancement, the Second makes thee known for a Man well-bred, the Third gains a good Report, wch once gotten is easily kept; for high Humilities take such Root in the
Minds of the Multitude, as they are easier won by unprofitable Courtesies than by churlish Benefits; yet I advise thee not to affect, nor neglect, Popularity too much. Seek not to be E. and shun to be R.*

9. Trust no Man with thy Credit or Estate: for it is a mere Folly for a Man so to enthrall himself to his Friend, as occasion being offer'd, he shall not dare become his Enemy.

10. Be not scurrilous in Conversation, nor stoical in thy Jests; the one makes thee Unwelcome to all Companies, the other pulls on Quarrels on thy Head & makes thee hated of thy best Friends. Jests when they do savour too much of Truth, leave a Bitterness in the Mind of those that are touched. And already I have pointed at these inclusively, yet I think it necessary to leave it thee as a Caution, because I have seen many so prone to whip and gird, as they had rather lose their Friend, than their Jests.

* 'E' stands for the universal negative, in the old logic. 'R' was the mark against the sailor who had 'run,' or failed in his duty. The meaning seems to be, "Don't be always saying 'no,' but stand to your guns when needed."
APPENDIX I.

MEMOIRES TAKEN OUT OF YE EVIDENCE BELONGING UNTO DAN: FLEMING ESQ. 1664.

Beckermett writings.

H Several notes concerning Fleming’s Pedigree & his Coates of Armes.

a. John Flandrensis doth grant unto Richard his son all his land wh. his father had given him in Coupland, except ye Advowson of the Church of Arlokeldene, saunce Date; but witnessed by Robert then Prior of St. Bees, St Patricius de Wirkington, S’ Adam de Millum &c. a fair Latine deed. Another fair old Latine deed ut supra, with Adam de Urswick, &c. witnesses, wherein certaine services, &c. are granted. Another for Frisington, Rotington, Harlokden, & Burnrig & Wedacre with ward & Releife, sans date, & witnessed ut suprâ.

6. An Award indented having date January ye 17th, An° 2. R. 3. wherein it was ordered, that Ann ye late wife of John Fleming should enjoy for her dower lands in Claughton in Lonsdall, & one tenant in Conistone, & yearly during her life one Buck or Doe in Conistone Park, And John Fleming son & heir of ye said John should enjoy all ye rest of his father’s Lands.


e. By indenture dated at Beckermet An° 19. R. 2. ye manor of Beckermet, & lands & Tenemts in Urswick are intailed upon Thomas Fleming & Isabell his wife & ye heires of their two bodies; & for want of such, then to John Fleming Brother of ye said Thomas, &c.

p'tys of ye manor of Beckermouth, with Lands & Tenemts in Beckermouth & Weddiker, to ye use of ye said Willia[m] Fleming & his heires. Also a Fine exemplified of Hill. term A° 26 Eliz. between ye said partys of ye Lands aforesaid.


gg. The office post mortem Johanne quæ fuit uxor Roberti Fitzwater (ex Bundello escaet'. de A° 37. E. 3) doth also prove that Willia[m] de Peniton held ye manor of Mulcaster & ye Hamlet of Ravenglass of her, et quod Thomas Fleming tenuit de dicta Johanna maneria de Bekermet Frisington Rotington Wedacre & Arlołden p homag. & fidel' & sect' curiae ut supra, p putur' ut supra & p servitium[m] nonæ ptis unius feodi militis & servitium 3. sol' p annu[m] ad terminu[m] Sti. Martini pro toto anno ad cornagium[m] pro manerio de Bekermet & duoru[m] sol' sex denar' ad cornag' pro manerio de Rotington ad Festu[m] Nativistatis beatae Marie pro toto anno & valent p annu[m] 20li. Also yt Willia[m] de Cleater & Will. de Punsonby held halfe of ye manor of Milton of her. She died June 10, & Walter (son of Jo. fitz-Walter) her son & heir, was then 18 yeares old.

ggg. The office after ye Death of Tho. Dixon late of ye Hye-house in Frizington, taken Apr. 12, Carli 12. doth prove ye said Hye-house to be holden of ye manor of Beckermouth.

h. A fair old Latine Deed, to Richard Flandrensis, saunce date, (4) witnesse S'r Willia[m] de Furneys, Alan de Coupland, John de Kirkby etc. not easily read.

J.J. By Deed Poll dated at Beckermet, May 20. 42. E. 3. The manor of Beckermet is intailed upon Sr Richard Fleming Kt & Catharine his wife for life, then to their son Thomas & his heires males of his body, & for want of such, yu to their son John, & his heires males of his body, ye like to James their son &c.

(5) A little old Latine deed to John le Fleming, saunce date, *Lege.*

* 'Lege,' after some entries seems to mean that Sir Daniel had still to decipher the deeds more completely. Some of them are not very legible.

By Indenture dated at Beckermet in ye vigills of St. Peter & Paul A° 19 R. 2. ye manor of Beckermet & Lands in Urswick are intailed upon Thomas Fleming & Isabell his wife and their heires males, & for want of such, then upon John Fleming his brother &c. Wittnesses Sr Will. de Culwen, Tho. de Lamplogh Kt.


Sr Richard Fleming kt. his grant of ye manor of Beckermet upon wh. ye Deed Poll abovesaid (at JJ) was made. Dated at Beckermet Saturday after ye assumption of our Lady A° E. 3. 41°.

John fil. Adre de Hoton his Grant of Lands in ye manor of Gersingham unto Sr Richard son of John le Fleming, saunce Date. Witnnesses, Sr Will. de Warton, Adam de Berwick &c.


The Indenture of Covenants, dated Wednesday in ye 4th week of Lent A° 19. R. 2. betwixt Sr Tho. Laybume & Thomas Fleming; the said Sr Thomas was to give with his daughter Isabell in portion 30 markes in silver, & sufficient Raymt, unto ye said Tho. Fleming, who was to settle as hee did ut supræ in m.m. This is in French, & translated p Dfr Smith.

Thomas Flemings warrant of Attorney to take seisin of ye manor of Beckermet from Sr Rich. Fleming his father, according to a Feoffment made to ye said Thomas & Elayne his wife by ye said Sr Richard, dated at Beckermet ye 10th of October, A° 4. R. 2. in French. Translated ut supræ.

Sr Richard Fleming kt. his warrant of Attorney to deliver seisin ut supræ in q.q. Dated at Whitingham October, 1, A° 14. R. 2. in French, Translated ut supræ.

Sr Richard Fleming’s deed of Gift of all his goods & chattels. Dated at Egremont Saturday after ye Assumption of our Lady A° 41. Ed. 3.


John Flandrensis his Grant of Lands in Rowthemel unto (3) Richard Flandrensis his son, saunce date, a fair old deed.

John Flandrensis his grant unto Richard his son of all his Land (3) in Coupland wh his father gave him, with all Liberties thereunto
belonging & ye Homage & service of Alan de Peniton & his heires p' Rottong of Sr R. de Lamplogh for halfe of Arlooden & Brunnig, of Willia[m] de Wedhacre for 2 parts of Wedacre, of Sr Adam de Harrington for y[e] 3d pt of Wedacre, & of Radulf de Frisington for Fristington. Saunce date.


w. Thomas Fleming de Beckermet his Lease of Waldhowholm (or Waldhowbanck) for 20 yeares unto Willia[m] fil. Ađe Preso p 8s. p. annu[m]. Dated at Egremont Saturday after St. Matthew's day An° 19. R. 2.

x. A fair old Deed of ye Abbott of Calder for Lands in Drigg.


B. Tho. Fleming of Sellowpark his mortgage of 5s. Rent in Conygarth, of 3s. 6d. Rent in Mill-Close, & of a p' cell of a meddow called y[e] Wharings; all in Beckermet, unto Willia[m] Fleming of Rydall esq. Upon paym° of 20° at Michaelmas 1594 this deed to be void, Dated Oct. 22, A° 34. Eliz.

C. An Intail of ye manor of Fristington made by Hugh Fleming unto Raph de Fristington & Mary his wife for life, then to Thomas their son & ye heires of his body, then to Alice & Agnes their daughters, & ye heires males of their bodyes, & for want of such, then to John Fleming Lord of Beckermet & his heires. Dated at Fristington An° Do'i, 1326.

E. Willia[m] Fleming esq. his letter dated June 11, 1576, unto his cosine Sir Willia[m] Lowther at Sewborwens concerning some plate doth prove ye said Willia[m] Fleming had an uncle Daniel Fleming.

F. Joh'es Fleming held Beckermet of Jo. de Moulton An° 9. Ed. 3. (9) the two offices abovesaid are mentioned in this note.


H. Papers concerning a Triall in Egremont court about Weddicre-Rent A° 1657.

J. Bancks his Assignemt when Beckermet was sequestred.


L. John Rigmaydens Bond unto Willia[m] Fleming Esq. that his brother Charles Fleming dureing his life shall onely take 28s. 6d. out of some lands in Beckermet granted unto him. Dated Nov. 4 A° 5 & 6 P. & M.

M. An old Deed saunce date from Richard de Lucy, with severall witnesstes. Lege.

N. Maud daughter of Adam fil. Aldey de Goderthwait her grant unto John her son of Lands in villa de Goderth. with pasture in Hale, saunce date.

O. Hugh Fleming of Coningston esq. his warrant of Attorney unto Tho. Fleming gent. his son for ye receiving of his Rents, &c dureing ye life-time of ye said Hugh, of all his lands, &c. in Cumberland & Yorkshire, or elsewhere in England, wh. were Johan his late wife's deceased one of ye daughters & heires of Sr Rich. Huddleston Kt, deceased, & wh he had as Tenant by ye Curtesy. Dated Jan: 14. A° 30, H. 8.

P. The exemplification of two Fines, ye one for 2 parts of ye Manor of Millum, ye other of ye Manor of Bretteby in Coupland, ye one A° 2, E. 2, ye other A° 9, Ed. 2. And this at ye procuremt of Lancelott Salkeld & Willia[m] Fleming Esq. Dated July 1, A° 40. Eliz.

Q. Two Orders out of ye Court of Wards concerning Mr. Huddlestine, see Rydal writings, g.

R. John son & heire of Sr John Le Fleming of Beckermett, his
Intaile of ye manors of Lowick, &c. upon John son of Willia Le Tours & Johan his wife, sister of ye said Jo. Le Fleming. Witnesses Sr Jo. de Kirkby & Sr Ralph de Betham Kts Alan de Coupland, Christ. de Brighton, &c. Dated at Lowick 7o. E. 3.

S. Sr Edward Herbert Kt & Dame Mary his wife (da. & heir of Tho. Stanley of London Esq.) their grant (pro 100l) of 4 Tenemts in Nether Cowderton unto Will. Robinson & his heires. Dat. Aug. 20, 22 Eliz.


A. Margaret de Brus late ·wife D’ni Rob’ti de Ros de Warck with the consent of King Edward did grant unto Sr Roger de Lancaster her whole Forest of Ridall with its appurtenances within these Bounds viz. Incipiendo del Dowcragg p altiora montis inter Ridall & Scandal sicut aqua se dividet sequend’ altiora montis

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MEMOIRES TAKEN OUT OF YE EVIDENCE BELONGING UNTO DAN: FLEMING ESQ. 1664.

Rydall writeings.

A. Margaret de Brus late wife D’ni Rob’ti de Ros de Warck with the consent of King Edward did grant unto Sr Roger de Lancaster her whole Forest of Ridall with its appurtenances within these Bounds viz. Incipiendo del Dowcragg p altiora montis inter Ridall & Scandal sicut aqua se dividet sequend’ altiora montis
ilius usq' ad Scandendestey in le Swythene, et sic descendendo
del Swythene p quandam semitam quæ vocat' le Waythesti usq'
ad Parcu[m] de Amelsate, et sic sequendo parcu[m] exterius usq'
in Scandelbec, et sic sequendo Scandelbec usq' in Routha, et sic
sequendo Routha ascendendo usq' in Routhemere, et sic sequendo
Routhemeri usq' ex opposito del Brokestay, et sic linialiter usq'
le Brokestay, et de le Brokestay usq' ad sum[m]jitatatem de le Nab
et sic ascendendo p altiora sicut aqua se dividit usq' Laverdkrag,
et de Laverdkrag p supirora ascendendo p altiora usq' le Ernekrag,
et inde ascendendo p altiora illius montis usq' ad divisas West-
merlandiae, et sic p divisas Westmerlandiae usq' ad sum[m]jitatatem
de Dowcrag. Also all her part of Amelsate & Louthrigg, with
Com[m]ion of pasture in Gressmer for all kinds of cattell, & yt ye
Inhabitants within ye Bounds aforesaid shall have com[m]ion with
her Tenants in Gressmere wheresoever to enjoy ye same with free
chase of ye said Forest as peaceably as Peter de Brus her late
Brother or Willia[m] de Lancaster her late uncle did ever possess
ye same. Saunce date. His Testibus, Tho. de Musgrave tune
Vicecom' Westmerland', Ranulfe de Daker, Michael Harcla, Kts.
Roger son of Sr Gilbert de Lancaster, &c.

B. The Grant abovesaid exemplified under ye Great Seal, & ratifyed
by King Edward I, in ye 3d year of his Reign. His Testibus,
Edmund earl of Lancaster ye Kings brother., &c.

C. An old deed betwixt Sr Roger de Lancaster & Willia[m] de
Lindsey concerning Rydall, saunce date, Lege.

D. Isabel late wife of Sr Tho. Fleming Kt her Grant unto Jo.
Fleming of Conistone of all her Lands & Tenemts in Rydale &
Loghrrigg & elsewhere in Westmorland. Dated Mar. 2 A° 21,
Duket, Esqs. &c. wt ye seal.

E. The Retainor (by Indenture) of Jo. Fleming Esq. for life in
peace as well as in warr unto Raph Lord of Greystock & Wemm, &

F. Sr Thomas Fleming Kt his covenants with Sr Jo. de Lancaster
Kt, yt Thomas son & heire of ye said Sr Thomas shall marry Isabel
daughter of ye said Sr John, & that Sr Tho. shall settle a Rent
charge of ro markes out of ye said Manor of Coningston upon ye said
Thomas & Isabel & their heires, & ye ye said Sr John shall pay
four score markes for his Daughters portion. And also ye ye said Sr
Thomas shall settle ye ye Manor of Coningston & all other his Lands
upon Thomas his son, & his heires males, then upon John a younger
brother of ye said Thomas, then upon ye right heires of Sr Thomas.
And if ye ye Sr Thomas shal dye without heires of ye said Isabel, y
shall John marry another daughter of ye said Sr John, without any other portion or settle\t. Dated at Rydale in Kendale, A\textdegree 10, H. 4. These covenants are \textit{in French} but translated by Dr. Tho. Smith.


G. A deed of Covenants at ye instance of Sr Jo: Lowther Kt for settling ye Lands as abovesaid between ye said parties, & for findinge of ye clothes for ye said Anthony & Elizabeth & for giving forth a dispensation, they two being o' th' fourths, the Portion six score pounds, to bee paid at severall dayes, & if Elizabeth dye without issue before any of ye said dayes, so much not to bee paid. The last paymt to bee to the young couple to buy Furniture. Dated May 28, A\textdegree 24. H. 8.


H.H. A copy of ye said grant, at H.

J. John Fleming Esq. late Escheator of Cumberland & Westmerland his Quietus est A\textdegree 6. H. 8.


N. John Whitfeild Esq. doth demise unto Jo. Fleming sen'. Esq. halfe ye Manor of Rydale & Loghriigg dureing ther joynt lives p 10\textdegree p annu & a Gressome at ye makeing of ye Lease, with liberty to take copyes of Jo. Flemings deeds for ye said Mannor, &


P. A deed of Covenants betwixt Hugh Fleming of Conistone Esq. & Lancelot Lowther, ye said Lancelot shall marry Johan daughter of ye said Hugh, & ye shall pay for their marriage apparel, & meat & drink at ye charge of ye said Hugh, & also ye Licence; & ye said Hugh is to give ye said Lancelott & Johan Bedding & Inseyghte as shall stand with his worship to give. The Portion 661 13d 04d to be paid at ye Parish church of Lowther. Dated May 30. A° 29. H. 8.


P.P. Hugh Fleming of Conistone Esq. & Anthony Fleming of Rydall Esq. their Bond of 100l unto Lancelott Lowther, for ye pformance of ye Covenants abovesaid at P. Dat. ut supra.


G.G.G. Hugh Fleming of Rydale Esq. his Bond of 200l unto Willia[m] Hoton Esq. for ye pformance of ye covenants ut supra at G. Dated ut supra.

G.G.G.G. Another deed ut supra G.G.


X. Hugh Fleming Esq. dyed seised of halfe of ye manor of Rydall & of sixteene messuages, &c. in Loughrigg, & 2 messuages or
Tenements in Baynriggs, all wh came unto William Fleming his kinsman & next heir, who was at full age: See William Flemings Generall Livery dated June 28. A° 4 & 5. P. & M. upon an Inquisition taken before Tho. Sandeford, David Hutton, Jo. Lamphogh, & William Fleming, Comrs


e. John Grigg of Rydall his grant unto William Fleming of Rydall Esq. of his Tenemt in Rydall of 22s. Rent p annu[m] upon condition to pforme covenants. Dated March 20, A° 18. Eliz.

f. Arthur Grigg of Darby shearman his grant unto William Fleming of Rydall esq. (in consideration of 5li. 10s.) of his Tenemt in Rydall of ye yearly Rent of 22s., late in ye possession of John Grigg deceased, and of his close in Loughrigg adjoyning to ye Waterhead of Rydall late in ye holding of Richard Hauckrigg deceased & now in ye possession of Jo. Hauckrigg his son, being of ye inheritance of Edward Benson son of Michael Benson deceased & of ye yearly rent of 2s. Dated June 11, A° 34 Eliz.

l. Severall Respitts of Homage for Rydal, Skirwith, Munckhall.
m. A Survey of ye Manor of Rydall, Miller Bridge, & Hyning Tenemt in Grayrigg taken in ye time of Rebellion. Dated Jan: A° Do'i. 1653.
o. Their deeds of Feofm't ut supra dated ut supra at, n.
q. Jo. Fleming esq. his Spetiall Livery granted unto him upon ye death of Willia[m] Fleming esq. his father, Dated Nov. 14, A° 43 Eliz.
s. Willia[m] Fleming esq. his covenants to a settlemt of ye manor of Rydall. Dat. Jan. 11. A° 17, Eliz.
t. The counterpart of David Harrison jun' his Deed for ye house wha was Adam Fishers, dated May 28. A° D. 1660.
w. An order concerning Rydall comon, dat. May 11, 63.
y. The counterp't of ye Deed ut supra, at, n.
z. The Justice of Peace his certificate for ye marriage of Daniel Fleming Esq. & Mrs Barbara Fletcher eldest daughter to Sr Henry Fletcher Baronet. Dat. Aug. 27, 1655.
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B. Agnes Fleming's will dated Novemb. 9, 1630; & proved Dec. 13, 1633.

C. Agnes Fleming's Deed of several manors, &c. unto Dame Bridget wife of her son Jo. Fleming, &c. date May 14, 21 Jac. 1623. In pursuance of a Deed of ye said John F. dated Apr. 16. 21. Jac. 1623.

D. John's warrant of Attorney. vid. Infrà.

E. The copy of Flemings Allowance at Worcester house March 1653. wherein (inter alia) is proved Jo. F. dyed Febr. 27, 1642, y't Willia[m] his son was borne Febr. 1. 1628, & dyed May 12. 1649, & not 21 years of age. That ye said Jo. was about 68 years of age at his death. That John F. left no issue but Will. Bridget & Agnes & y't Willia dyed without issue.


G. John Vaughan Esq. & Dame Ann Knevet his wife their grant (pro 400li.) of halfe of ye Manor of Rydale & Loughrigg unto Willia[m] Fleming of Coningstone esq. & his heires. Dated Aug. 8. 11 Eliz.

S.G. Their Fine ut suprà in Hillary Term 12. Eliz.


I. 2 The copy of ye Division of Loughrigg amongst ye Benson's after their purchasing thereof from Willia[m] Fleming Esq. Dat. Apr. 1, 18. Eliz.

I.I. John Fleming Esq. the counterpart of his Settlement of his whole estate. Dat. Dec. 21, 22 Jac. 1624.


I.II. John Fleming Esq. his Livery.


A. Willia[m] Fleming esq. his will dated June 18. 42. Eliz. 1600.


O. John Fleming esq. his Lease of all his estate unto Agnes his mother for 7. veares Dat. May 6. 1 Car. 1625.
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1. Dan: Fleming esq. ye copy of his grant (or rather confirmation) of Fryth i' th' Nab unto William Walker Dat. June 9, 1663.


5. The Division of Lougrigg amongst ye Bensons after their purchase thereof from Will. Fleming esq. Dat. Apr. 1. 18. Eliz.

6. Agnes Fleming's Lease of Askam-Tyth dated Sept. 11, 44 Eliz.


8. Willia[m] Fleming Esq. his offers upon ye marriage of Jo. Fleming his son & heir.

H. An Award, an Acquittance, & a Release int’ Jo. Fleming Esq. & Lancelot Senhouse gen’. Dat. in Mar. 1617.


5. Gabriel Croft Parson of Gresmer his Lease (p 58li. 11s. 5d. ob)

6. Alan Bellingham of Fawcett forrest Esq. (as Executor to ye abovesaid Marian Bellingham) his grant (pro 5ooli.) of his interrest in ye said Lease of Gresmer Rectory & Tythes, unto Willia[m] Fleming of Rydall esq. his ex. Ad. & Assignes. Dat. Nov. 3. 16 Eliz.

7. Letters, Papers, &c. in ye time of ye Rebellion, concerning ye Advowson of Gresmer.


9. The Patent for Daniel Fleming esq. to bee High Sherif of ye County of Cumberland. Dated at Westm[e] (under ye Great Seal of England) Nov. 5. A° 12. Car. 2. Hee was ye 1st sherif of ye said county, yt was prickt by King Car. 2. after his most happy restoration unto his Kingdome.


11. The Kings License for ye said Daniel Fleming to live out of ye county of Cumberland whilst he was sherif thereof. Dated Nov. 30, A° 12. Car. 2.

12. The Kings writ of discharge unto ye said Daniel Fleming (at ye end of his year) for being sherif. Sr John Lowther of Lowther Baronet beeing then appointed Sherif of ye said county. Dated Nov. 11, A° 13, Car. 2.


Sr Jordan Crosland & Geo. Collingwood their Release unto D. F. Esq. of all their title claim & demand unto ye Manors of Rydall Coniston & Beckermet, unto ye Tythes of Addingham, & unto all other ye manors Lands Tenemts & hereditaments in ye possession of ye said Dan: Fleming or his Assignes, with a covenant for quiet enjoying, & for further assureing during 7 yeares. Also a General Release in ye end thereof. Dat. July 25, 1667.

All these aforesaid Booked in Lib. A.

[APPENDIX III.]

MEMOIRES TAKEN OUT OF ye EVIDENCE BELONGING UNTO DAN: FLEMING ESQ. 1665.

Kirkland writeings.

1. Eudo cimentar' de Kirkland his Feofm unto Roger de Beulowe & Alice his wife their heires & Assignes of all ye Land & Tenem with its appurtenances wh hee had of ye grant of Alice daughter of Marjory, daugh. of Henry, son of Adam de Kirkland, with warranty agt all men. Hijs Testibus Dno. Jacob' de Harcela, Mag'ro Henr. de Harcela, Ad. Armstrong, Ad. de Kempeley, Walt'o fil. Yane de Berewic &c. sans date.


6. Robert Yarme & Jo. Piper cls' their grant unto Ro. de Wilton sen' & Margaret his wife of Lowthwait for their lives, then to Ro. Wilton jun' in taile, ye like to Adam & John his brothers, ye like to Margaret his sister, Willia[m] de Wilton cls' & John de Crakin-
thorpe, then to ye right heirs of Robert de Wilton sen'. His Testibus Willo de Stapilton, Galph. de Threlkeld, Roger de Laiborne, Tho. de Garth, &c. Dat. at Kirkland Jan. 16, 21 R. 2.

6a. The counterpart thereof.
6b. Another counterpart thereof.
6H. [See p. 117].


8. Lancelot Pickering of Crosby Ravenswath Esq. his Indenture of sale (in consideration of 270l) unto Jo. Myddleton of Askham esq. of all that his lordship & Seignory of Kirkland with its appurtenances, in as ample manner as ye said Lancelot Pickering, or Dame Anne Knevett deceased, or Sr Christopher Pickering kt deceased her father, or any of ye Ancestors of ye said Lancelot did ever hold ye same. Dated Sept. 18, 26. Eliz.

8a. Lancelott Pickering his bond of 400l for performance of ye same deed. Dat. ut sup.

8b. Lancelott Pickering his Feofmt of ye said in pursuance of ye said Deed. Dated ut supra.

8c. Lanc. Pickering his warrant of Attorney for delivering of seisin according to ye said Feofmt, with ye livery of seisin endorsed thereon. Dat. Sept. 20, 26 Eliz.


9. Generall Livery upon ye death of John Middleton Esq., who dyed Nov. 1, 39 Eliz. whose son & heir George Middleton was then 27 years of age. Dat. Nov. 7, 40. Eliz. This sayth, y^t ye Manor of Kirkland was holden of Philip Ld. Wharton as of his manor of Shapp, but by w^t services it mentioneth not. That the said Jo. held 2 Tenem^ts in Skirwith of Tho. Hutton (in ye righ[t] of his wife) as of his manor of Skirwith. It mentioneth Birklands in Ullesby [Ousby] & Whitby Garthes.

10. A Recovery of ye manor of Kirkland, &c. with common of Pasture for all kinds of Cattell in Kirkland, Skirwith & Owesby, & 14s. Rent in Kirkland, from George Middleton Esq. unto Edmund...
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12. Tho. Browgham's Inventory after his death (wherein ye Lease of Skirwith is prised to 250\(^{13}\)) dated Jan. 23, 5. Jac.


15. Willia[m] Robinson of Mellerby yeom' his Bond of 10\(^{11}\) unto Dan: Fleming of Skirwith gen', for his releasing all his interest in one acre of meadow called Rakestrea acre in Kirkland, Dated Mar. 10, 15. Jac.

16. Thomas Bartram of Kirkowsewold gent. his grant (in consideration of 60\(^{11}\)) unto Daniel Fleming of Skirwith gent. of ye 3\(^{rd}\) pt of ye manor of Kirkland & Birklands; and of several Lands in Penrith by way of security for ye interest of Catharine Frances & Eliz. Bartram (daughters to ye said Thomas) when they should come to age, & bee required by ye said Dan:
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Dat. Apr. 1, 10. Jac. With his Bond of 100l for performance. Dat. ut supra.


18.a. Jo. & Agnes Fleming their warrant of Attorney for ye receiving of seisin according to ye said Feomt. Dat. ut supra.


19.a. Their Bond of 200l for pformance of ye said deed. Dat. ut supra.


21.b. An Indenture of Defeazance of ye said Feomt if 54l be paid Apr. 4. 1630. Dat. ut supra.


22.c. Christ. Dalston Kt. his Defeazance, if 129li. 12s. be paid Febr. 14, 1631, & upon default, then paying 170li. 8s. August 8
1672, & that [torn] by small portions, ye said Christopher is to have absolutely ye Lands. Dat. ut suprà.


24a. Thomas Wilton's Bond of 700li. for performance of ye said Grant Dated ut suprà.


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27. Copy of an Order of ye Court of York wherein Willia[m] Fleming was pıt & Roland Hodgson, Talbott Hodgson, & Marg. his wife were dfts, concerning Browgham. Dat. Sept. 19, 1638.


30d. Papers concerning Rowland Hodgson's mother, & Knottisford her Husband, beinge Acquittances, & Mr. Carus his Bonds.
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