CHARTERS RELATING TO THE PRIORY OF SEMPRINGHAM.

Tanner states that the Priory of Sempringham was built about the year A.D. 1139, on land given by Gilbert de Gaunt, but in vol. ii *Collectania Topographica et Genealogica*, we read this note unfortunately concerning its Cartulary—"Burnt in a fire at Staples Inn, London." The few Charters printed in the *Monasticon* come from other sources, and in a search extending over a considerable period I had found little beyond the valuable collection of Charters in the British Museum. It happened, however, that a recent visit to what is now St. Andrew's Church, at Sempringham, and the old Monastic door with its grand Norman arch, recalled to memory an endorsement on the back of one of those deeds as follows :—

Irrotulat^r in memorand^ sc^acci videlt inp Record^ de pmino Sči Hillar̃ Anno xij^mo Regis Henr̃ Quarti ex pte Remeñ Regis.

This, with the kind assistance of Mr. Salisbury at the Public Record Office, on reference to Roll 188, disclosed the Charters I venture to contribute. What the fire destroyed, a suit as to the taxation of the Nuns' possessions in the Counties of Lincoln, Leicester, and Notts, has in a measure restored to us, for though some of the original deeds remain, the majority have probably perished.

A comparison of the scribe's work with the few original documents available, leads me to think he wrote from dictation, and made use of his own abbreviations and spelling, these I have carefully followed in the usual Record type. I regret that the time at my disposal has been too short to enable me to do more than fix approximately some of the dates, and I must leave to others the pleasure of extracting what is of use for early history. My thanks are due to Mr. H. Ellis, of the British Museum, for help in finding original Charters, and to Mr. W. Boyd for his valuable local knowledge of County names, a matter of no small difficulty when a writer does not always dot an i, and is in the habit of writing certain other letters exactly alike.

The places in brackets at the head of a Charter are in the margin of the Roll, and after the first deed a number has been substituted for the phrase with which each commences.

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[Sempingh^m, Billingburc.]

Unius videlt in hec vba. Rogus fit Gocelini cuntis xp̃i fidelibz salt̃m in xpo. Videns vidi affliccõem ancillaz xp̃i quas Dñs elegit sibi principiũ religionis que inchoata est in Sempyngham compassus pauptati eaz dedi eis assensu đni Ranulfi de Baioč ix bovat̃ tre de tra mea de Sempyngham t de Billingburc t molendinũ quod ħebam in ritorio de Cocrinttune. Postea tamen manu misericordie Dei qui flagellat omem filiũ quem recepit dedi eis totũ reliquũ quod ħebam in ritorio de Sempyngham t de Billingburc videlicet iiij^or carucatas tre t tres bovetas cum omibz que ad eas ptinent in bosco t in plano in vilt t ext^a vilt hec omia dedi eis liba t quieta ab omi exaccõe t vicio in ppetuam elemosinam sicut aliqua elemosina libius dat^r. Quoniam ego totam elemosinam meam pdčam acquietabo de omi seculari vicio alia tra mea (*sic*) vel qualicumqz modo melius po. Hanc autem donacõem meam ut firma t inconcussa sčimonialibz imppetuũ

pmaneat dedi in manu Epi Lincolñ Rob̃i sčdi ipo Teste t Walo Abbe de Kirkestede t Joe Abbe de Bardenaye t Warino Abbe de Valle Dei t Goffrido Capło Epi t Nicho Capło Epi t Pho de Kime t Joe de Boleby t Ridel de Kiseby t Wigot de Brancewell t Brien de Pointoñ Rogo fit Ernis t Rodb de Wilgeb t Thoralđ de Billingburc t Walo de Pasey cum magna multitudine clicoz t laicoz t hoc in communi capitulo sčimonialiũ de Sempingham.

Date c. A.D. 1150-60. See also Confirmation Charter of his Lord, Hugo de Baiocis, Harl. Ch., 45 F 20, Brit. Mus., printed *Monasticon*, vol. vi, pt. 2.
Cocrinttune may be read Coorinttune, possibly for Quarrington.

[2.] Omibz sče matris eccle fit tam futuris quam psentibz Godwinus Dives de Lincolñ salt̃m sciatis q̃d p Dei amore p concessionem t bonam voluntatem t p manũ Comitisse Alicie de Gant đne mee dedi t concessi t hac carta mea confirmavi in ppetuam elemosinam sčimonialibz de Sempingham t fratribz eaz clicis t laicis unam carucat̃ tre cum omibz suis ptiñ in ritorio de Sempingham quam aliq̃n tenui de feodo pdče Comitisse t ad ceptum ipius quietũ clamavi pdcis sčimonialibz t frib̃z quicquid juris ħebam in pdča carucata tre p salute aie mee t Alicie uxis mee t heredũ meoz t p fratnitate pdče domus Magist enim Gilbtus t conventus susceperunt nos in plenam fratnitatem ordinis sui p omia tam vivos q^am mortuos. Ego autem t heredes mei gwarantizabim eis hanc donacõem t concessionem t quietam clamacõem sicut puram t liba elemosinam t quietam ab omi sčlari vicio t consuetudine t exaccõe imppetuũ. T. Walo capło de Newerk Rad clico Jacobo fit Broyer Wilo fit Ingelbert Ivone geno ejus Rog̃ fit Ingelber̃ Richero clico de Loctoun Rič̃o de Stant̃ Thoma fit tirri Wilo Basset fit Vicč Gervasio Basset Mag̃ro Osbto de Langetoñ Rad Capło de Sempingham Rad clico de Stowe Wilo Capło de Loctona Robto fit Juliani Rado Child Alexand de Pointoñ Rič̃o fit Jacobi de Lincolñ Hugoñ monacho.

Date c. A.D. 1177. This appears to be the founder of the Gilbertine Priory of Holland Brigge, see *Monasticon*. William Bassett, Sheriff of Lincolnshire, Easter 1177-85, List of Sheriffs, Public Record Office.

[3.] Notum sit cuntis xp̃i fidelibz q̃d Ego Rad de Baduent concessi t hac carta mea confirmavi in puram t ppetuam Elemosinam Mag̃ro Gilbto t monialibz de Sempingh^m unam carucatam tre cum ptiñ suis in Sempingham libe t quiete ab omi sčlari vicio t exaccõe quam Ričus de Baduent pat meus dedit eis p anima ipius t suoz t cũ corpore suo illam scilicet carucatam que dict^r carucata puellaz quam Agnes de Bellafago patri meo dederat p vicis ejus. Hanc donaccõem firmam t stabilem t ppetuam eis esse volo t eam concessione mea t dono meo corobo p Deo t salute mea t meoz t p anima patris mei t matris mee t p animabz oim antecessoz meoz. Hiis testibz Simone psona de Cadenaie Jocelino capło ejus Pagano de Horbling Andrea Burnelt Rogo fre ejus Rado clico de Stou Rado capellano Mag̃ro Gervasio de Bure Warino de Houtunia Mauricio clico Suarri de Cadenaia Gamello fre ejus Toroldo de Pointoñ Math̃ fit Sebbe.

Date before A.D. 1189. Ric'us de Badvent appears in the Pipe Rolls 4-7 Henry II.

[4.] Cuntis xp̃i fidelibz Adam de Mundavilla Salt̃m Sciatis q̃d dedi t concessi t hac carta mea confirmavi in puram t ppetuam elemosinam

Deo ⁊ ꝺe Marie ⁊ Sc̃imonialibꝫ de Sempingh^{a}m et eaꝫ fr̃ibꝫ clicis ⁊ laicis undecim bovat̃ ꝼre in Sempingham cū om̃ibꝫ ꝓtiñ suis ⁊ liꝺtatibꝫ infra vill ⁊ ext^{a} tam in ħoibꝫ q^{a}m in ceꝼis rebꝫ om̃ibꝫ liꝺe ⁊ quiete ab om̃i sc̃lari ꝟvicio ⁊ consuetudine ⁊ exaccõe ⁊ om̃i re ꝼrena. Et sciend est q̃d hanc ꝼram dedit michi Gilꝺtus de Gant quondam dñs meus ꝓ ꝟvicio meo. Hanc autem elemosinam meam gwarantizabo ⁊ adquietabo eis erga om̃es hoies ⁊ heredes mei (*sic*) post me imꝑpetuū ꝓ anima ꝺni mei Gilꝺti de Gant ⁊ ꝓ animabꝫ ꝑris mei ⁊ matris mee ⁊ om̃ antecessoꝫ meoꝫ necnon ⁊ ꝓ salute mea ⁊ uxis mee ⁊ heredum meoꝫ. Hiis testibꝫ Comite Simone Radulfo capłło Sempingh̃ Gilꝺto clico Roꝺo Burnele Roꝺto Coffin Simone filio Pagani de Horbling ⁊ Roꝺto ⁊ Joħe fił ꝺc̃i Pagani Gocelino fił Roꝺti de Horbling Wiłło capłło Ade de Mundavil Wiłło Pinc̃na Crispiñ Waltero ꝑsona de Folkingham Waltero Capłło ejus Thoma Capłło de Swanetona Nigello de Ingoldesby Andrea Burnele Wiłło Mustele Wiłło Mustele avunculo ejus de tirintonna.

Date before A.D. 1184.

[5.] Omibꝫ xꝑi fidelibꝫ ꝓsentibꝫ ⁊ futuris Ricus filius Jacobi cives (*sic*) Lincolñ Salt̃m Novitis me ꝓ salute anime mee ⁊ antecessoꝫ ⁊ heredum meoꝫ dedisse concessisse ⁊ hac mea carta confirmasse Deo ⁊ ꝺe Marie ⁊ conventui de Sempingham in puram ⁊ ꝑpetuam elemosinam ad pitanciam ejusdem conventus dimidiam marcam ſlingoꝫ redditus annuatim eidem conventui ad duos ꝼminos soluendoꝫ scilicet quadraginta denarios ad Pascha ⁊ quadraginta denarios ad festum sc̃i Michis videlicet de ꝼra ipa que est de feodo ꝺni Roꝺi de Mundgume quam Alanus Aurifaber de me tenuit in ꝑochia sc̃i Laurencii in magno vico. Hanc autem donacõem Ego Ricus ⁊ heredes mei warantizabim^{9} ꝺc̃o conventui ⁊ defendemus ⁊ de om̃ibꝫ rebꝫ acquietabim^{9} erga om̃es hoies imꝑpetuū. Hiis testibꝫ Ada fił Reginaldi quondam maiore Lincolñ Petro de Ponte tunc maiore Lincolñ Petro de Parys tunc ꝓpposito Lincolñ Ricõ clico Ricõ fił Dune Gilꝺto fił Wiłti Wiłło fił Ricī fił Jacobi Lumꝺto fił Hugonis de Merstona.

[Lincolñ.]

[6.] Om̃ibꝫ xꝑi fidelibꝫ ad quos ꝓsens scriptum ꝑvenit Walꝰtus nepos Belilandi de Lincolñ ⁊ Matildis ux̃ ejus fił Godwini Pelliparii salt̃m Sciatis nos dedisse ⁊ concessisse ⁊ ꝓsenti carta confirmasse de assensu Joħis fił ñri Deo ⁊ ꝺe Marie ⁊ Conventui de Sempingham in puram ⁊ ꝑpetuam elemosinam unū mesuagiū cum ꝓtiñ suis in Lincolñ in vico qui dict^{r} Bradgate quod fuit quondam Godwini Pelliparii. Et hoc debem^{9} Warrantizare eis ⁊ heredes ñri imꝑpetuū. Hiis testibꝫ Thoma fił Godwini ⁊ Hamone fił Lamꝺti tunc ꝓpositis Lincolñ Wiłło de Parys Wiłło fił Warini Godwino Divite Ricõ Velain Wiłło Nepote Warini Wiłło de Beufo Rainbaldo Divite Marcio Flandrensi Joħe Mutū Theobaldo Roꝺto Bendeors ⁊ multis aliis.

Date c. A.D. 1190.

[Wykforꝺ.]

[7.] Notum sit cuntis xꝑi fidelibꝫ q̃d ego Thomas fił Ailfy le tannur de Lincolñ dedi ⁊ concessi ⁊ hac carta mea confirmavi Conventui ꝺe Marie de Sempingham in puram ⁊ ꝑpetuam elemosinam ⁊ liꝺam ab om̃i

seculari ꝟvicio ⁊ ꝼrena exaccõe unū Toftum in Wikeforꝺ cum ꝓtiñ suis quod fuit ꝑris mei juxta toftum Raunbaldi Divitis ex ꝑte aquilonali in ꝑchia sc̃i Petri ⁊ hoc debeo guarantizare eis ⁊ heredes mei post me imꝑpetuū ꝓ animabꝫ ꝑris mei ⁊ matris mee ⁊ omniū antecessoꝫ meoꝫ. Hiis T. Ada fił Regñi Wiłło de Paris Godwino Divite Wiłło fił Guarini Thoma de Ballio Wiłło Nepote Guarini Simone fił Hoke Wiłło fil Lamꝺti ⁊ Hamone ꝼre ejus Ricõ fił Jacobi Hugoñ de Merstoñ Simone de Nova ꝼra Marcio Flandrensi Wiłło de Kirkestede Bñdc̃o fił Ouguini Lamꝺto cementario ⁊ multis aliis.

[Folkyngh^{a}m Hekyingtuna Walecote.]

[8.] Cuntis xꝑi fidelibꝫ Alicia Comitissa fił Gilꝺti de Gaunt salt̃m Notum sit voꝺ me dedisse ⁊ hac carta mea confirmasse in puram ⁊ ꝑpetuam elemosinam ꝓ anima mea ⁊ cū corpore meo Deo ⁊ ꝺe Marie ⁊ sc̃imonialibꝫ de Sempyngham ⁊ Fr̃ibꝫ eaꝫ oĩa molendina de Folkyngham cū om̃ibꝫ ꝓtiñ suis ⁊ cõem pasturam ejusdem ville ad ducentas oves ⁊ humagiū Helye Hostararii ⁊ teñ ejus quod de me tenuit in Bartona scilicet septem bovatas ꝼre cum ꝓtiñ suis quas ipe ⁊ ħedes ejus tenebunt de Conventu de Sempyngham ꝓ ꝟviciū ꝺimidie marce annuatim eis reddenꝺ. Et in Heckingtuna unam bovatam ꝼre ⁊ quartam ꝑtem unius bovate ubi sc̃imoniales hospitare possint cū ad magnū capitulū venꝺint ⁊ humagiū Andree de Hekingtuñ ⁊ ħedum ejus ⁊ unam carucatam ꝼre cū om̃ibꝫ ꝓtiñ suis in Semphingham quam Godwinus Dives Lincolñ aliquando tenuit hanc autem donacõem guarantizabimus eis ego ⁊ heredes mei imꝑpetuū liꝺe ⁊ quiete ab om̃i seculari ꝟvicio ⁊ ꝼrena exaccõe. Preꝼea concessi ⁊ confirmavi eis ex dono Hꝺerti fił Adelardi xviij bovatas ꝼre in Walecote ⁊ Folkingham cū ꝓtiñ suis ⁊ ex dono David de Iwarby duas bovatas ꝼre in Walecote ⁊ ex dono Ade de Mundewil xj bovatas ꝼre cum ꝓtiñ suis in Semphingham ⁊ quicquid Simon fił Sybalꝺ eis dedit in Walecote. Hec autem om̃ia concessi ⁊ confirmavi eis liꝺe ⁊ quiete ab om̃i ꝟvicio ⁊ seculari exaccõe in puram elemosinam possidenꝺ sicut ꝓdc̃oꝫ donatoꝫ carte testant^{r}. Concessi eis etiam ⁊ dedi in ꝑpetuam elemosinam totam ꝼram que est de feodo meo in Loctun cū humagio Asceline de Watvilla ⁊ heredum ejus tenenꝺ de me ⁊ successoribꝫ meis ꝓ ꝟviciū medietatis feodi uni^{9} militis in denariis ꝓ om̃i seculari ꝟvicio. Et hoc eis guarantizabo ⁊ ħedes mei post me imꝑpetuū sicut alia carta mea testat^{r} quam eis dedi in vita ꝺni mei Comitis Simonis. Hii sunt testes Simon Abbas de Valle Dei Ricus ⁊ Joħes Monachi de Valle Dei Walwanus Capell Gil Capell Walterus clicus de Folkingham Helias ꝑsona de Helpringham Philippus de Kime Simon ⁊ Philippus fił ejus Simoñ fraꝼ Coñ Siñ Wiłło fił Walteri de Welle Petrus de Scremby Adam fił Ade de Mundevil Phus fił Herꝺti de Orreby Hugo clicus Galfriꝺ Nepos Comitisse Malgerus Helyas Hostiarius Petrus Salsarius ꝺni Regis.

Date after A.D. 1184. Simon [Saint Liz], Earl of Huntingdon, ob. s p. 1184.

(*To be continued.*)

CHARTERS RELATING TO THE PRIORY OF SEMPRINGHAM.

(*Continued from p.* 161.)

[Carletoñ.]

[9.] Sciant ꝑsentes ꝛ futuri q̃d ego Warinus fit Henrenc̃ de Karletoñ dedi concessi ꝛ hac carta mea confirmavi Deo ꝛ altari bi Gilbti de Sempingham ad magnū cereū hora magni capituli annuatim sustentand illam bovatam in Carletoñ quam Robtus de Hastinges ꝑ humagio ꝛ ꝟvicio meo michi dedit ꝛ carta sua confirmavit Tenend ꝛ hend in ꝑpetuam elemosinam lib̃am ꝛ quietam ꝛ pacificam Rendend inde annuatim dño feodi unam libram pip̃is ad Natale sc̃i Joh̃is Bap̃te ꝑ om̃ib; ꝟviciis ꝛ consuetudinib; ꝛ exacc̃oib; ꝛ demandis Salvo ꝟvicio dni Regis scilicet sc̃dm q̃d duodecim carucate tre faciunt feodū unius militis. Et ut hec mea donacio firma sit ꝛ stabilis imꝑpetuū eam sigillo meo corrobavi. Testib; Nicholaio tunc priore de Sixle Radulfo capellano de Carletoñ Robto ꝑsona Fre Robt̃ de Sc̃o Lazaro Alano de Beseby Nigill fit Robti de Karletoñ Robt̃ fit Alwini Radulfo fre meo.

[Fulbek.]

[10.] Notum sit oĩnibꝫ sc̃e eccl̃ie fidelibꝫ q̃d ego Alexander fit Osb̃ti ꝯ Nigellus heres meus concessimus ꝯ dedim⁹ assensu heredū meoꝝ novies viginti acras de ꝥra arabili in campis de Fulebek de ꝑpria hereditate ñra ꝯ xx de p⁹to ibidem Sc̃imonialibꝫ de Sempingham in ꝑpetuam elemosinam lib̃as ꝯ quietas ab oĩni exaccõe ꝯ seculari ꝟvicio sicut aliqua elemosina lib̃ius religiosis dat⁹. Et si quis in eis aliquid clamavit nos guarantizabimus ꝯ acquietabimus eas. Ip̃e vero susceperunt nos Fr̃es ꝯ participes oĩm oĩonū suaꝝ ꝯ locum sepulture in atrio eaꝝ ꝯ plenariū ꝟvicium ꝑ nob̃ sicut ꝑ una eaꝝ tanq⁹m fundatoribꝫ illius Grangie que est in campis de Fullebek nob̃ concesserunt. Hanc autem donacõem fecimus primū eis in Capell̃o de Havresholme in ꝑsencia Gilb̃ti Ab̃bis de Swynesheued et eo teste ꝯ multis aliis. Deinde in capitulo matris eccl̃ie Lincolñ eandem donacõem fecimus ad opus eaꝝ ꝯ quicquid ꝑsens carta testat⁹ in manu Humfridi subdecani fide confirmavimus. Huj⁹ donacõis testes sunt Hūfridus Subdecanus Wigerius canonicus Rog̃us ꝑvus Magist̃ Gilb̃tus de Sempingh⁹m Simon Magist̃ de Stekeswald̃ Will̃s Prior de Water Hugo Prior de Sempingham Will̃s sac̃dos de Hicham Magist̃ Malg̃ de Newerc Rob̃tus cl̃icus de Stoch̃. Et in capitulo de Sempingham ego ꝯ Heliwis ux̃ mea fecimus hanc donacõem eius (*sic*) coram hiis testibꝫ Pagano de Stowe Will̃o M⁹ de Salt⁹ Radulpho capl̃o Goceł cl̃ico Thobias Gilb̃t fit Had̃ Rog̃o fit Goceł Allexandr⁹ de Poĩtñ Alured̃ Girar ꝯ Waltero filiis ejus Brie̅ de Poĩtñ ꝯ Rob̃to fit ejus Walt̃o de Pascy Brie̅ armig̃o Rog̃i Ernald̃ de Pic̃eb̃ Ailmo ꝑposito Aluredi. Et capl̃m Monachꝫ de Valle Dei ubi partem meam cyrog⁹phi ñri conſvandam comisi. Deiñ ap̃ g⁹ngiam de Fuleb̃ coram multis aliis feci eiis hanc donacõem quando assignavi Fr̃ibꝫ eaꝝ illam sup⁹dc̃am ꝥram de demeniis culturis meis ꝯ de duabꝫ bovatis quia de carucata quam Hugo Ruffus ꝯalumniaꝟ nolluerunt accipe assignavi ergo eis de illo sup⁹dc̃o numo acraꝝ nonaginta acras ex orientali ꝑte vilł ꝯ nonaginta ex occidentali ꝑte. Totum vero pratum ex occidentali ꝑte de Bremte eis assignavi.

[11.] Cuntis x̃pi fidelibꝫ ꝑsentibꝫ ꝯ futuris Nigessus (*sic*) de Ingoldeby fit Alexandri salt̃m. Novitis me concesse (*sic*) ꝯ carta mea confirmasse Deo ꝯ b̃e Marie ꝯ sc̃imonialibꝫ de Sempringham in puram ꝯ ꝑpetuam elemosinam ex dono ꝯ (*sic*) p̃ris mei novies viginti acras de ꝥra arrabił in campis de Fulebec de ꝑpria hereditate mea ꝯ viginti acras de prato in eisdem campis lib̃as ꝯ quietas ab oĩni seculari ꝟvcio ꝯ exaccõe sicut aliqua elemosina lib̃ius dari posset. Et sciend̃ est q̃d pat̃ meus assignavit ꝑdc̃is sc̃imonialibꝫ ꝯ eaꝝ fr̃ibꝫ has novies viginti acras de demeniis culturis suis simul cum duabꝫ bovatis ꝥre in ꝑnoĩata vilł de Fulebec ꝯ totum pratum ex occidentali ꝑte de Brant. Hanc autem donacõem patris mei ꝯ meam concessionem warantizabimus ego ꝯ heredes mei ꝯ acquietabimus erga oĩnes hoĩes lib̃e ꝯ quiete plene ꝯ integre sicut plenius ꝯ mellius eam tenuerunt tempe patris mei ꝑ aĩabꝫ ip̃ius patris ꝯ matris mee ꝯ oĩm antecessoꝝ meoꝝ ꝯ ꝑ salute mea ꝯ heredum meoꝝ. Et ne hoc factū meū possit ab aliquo ignorari vel infr̃ingi feci eis hanc confirmacõem in cõi capitulo tocius ordinis de Semphingham coram Mag̃ro Gilb̃to quoniam suscepit me in fr̃em ꝯ participem oĩm bonoꝝ illius ordinis. Hiis testibꝫ Walt̃o Priore de

Chikesand̃ Henric̃ Priore de Havholm̃ Hugone Priore de sc̃a Kat̃ina Lincolñ Thoma capl̃o de Sempingham Will̃o ꝑsona de Aslakeby Aluredo de Pointñ Rog̃o fre ejus Rob̃to fit Briani Ascelino de Watvilł Rog̃o Burnel de Billingb⁹c Rob̃to fit Juliañ de Horbling̃ Andrea Burnel Andr̃ de Byrkecope Rad̃o Child̃ de Loctñ Mauricio cl̃ico de Loctñ Ric̃o fit ejus Gilb̃to ꝯ Hugone cl̃icis de Sempingham.

Date before A.D. 1189. Nigellus filius Alexandri, was a Justice in 1185, see Foss, and Sheriff of Lincolnshire, Easter, 1185. List P.R.O. For his equestrian seal see Add. Charter, 20,580, Brit. Mus.

[12.] Sciant oĩnes ꝑsentes ꝯ futuri q̃d ego Joh̃es fit Helye de St⁹garthorp̃ dedi concessi ꝯ ꝑsenti carta mea confirmavi Deo ꝯ b̃e Marie ꝯ Conventui utriusqꝫ sexus de Sempingham in puram ꝯ ꝑpetuam elemosinam lib̃am ꝯ quietam ab oĩni seculari ꝟvicio ꝯ ꝥrena exaccõe sex acras ꝥre arrabił in ꝥritorio de St⁹garthorp̃ cum oĩnibꝫ ꝯ singulis suis ꝑtiñ jacentes in locis subscriptis videl̃t tres selliones continentes in se duas acras jacent in Himerfurlong int̃ ꝥram dc̃i conventus ꝟvsus boream ꝯ ꝥram Walteri de Burgo ꝟvsus austrū. Et unus latus selio plene continens in se unam acram ꝯ dimidiam jacet int̃ ꝥras Walteri de Burgo ꝯ abuttat ꝟvsus orientem sup̃ regiam stratam que ducit apud Lincolñ. Et unus latus sellio qui vocat⁹ Oxerig̃ continens in se unam acram ꝯ dimidiam jacet int̃ ꝥram ꝑfati conventus ꝯ ꝥram Walteri cl̃ici ꝯ abuttat ꝟvsus orientem sup̃ regiam stratam que ducit apud Lincolñ. Et unus sellio continens in se unam acram jacet in eadem quarantena int̃ ꝥram Walteri de Burgo ꝟvsus austrum ꝯ ꝥram meam ꝟvsus boream Tenend̃ ꝯ h̃end̃ sibi ꝯ successoribꝫ suis lib̃e ꝯ quiete pacifice integre ꝯ plenarie imꝑpetuū. Ego vero Joh̃es ꝯ heredes mei ꝑdc̃as sex acras cum oĩnibꝫ reb̃ ꝯ singulis ꝑtinenciis suis dc̃o conventui ꝯ successoribꝫ suis warantizabimus defendem⁹ ꝯ de oĩnibꝫ reb̃ cont⁹ oĩnes hoĩes ꝯ feminas sicut puram ꝯ ꝑpetuam elemosinam ñram adquietabimus imꝑpetuū. In cujus rei testimoniū ꝑsens scriptum sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis testibꝫ. Will̃o de Vescy Syñ Burg̃ Thoma de Branduñ Galfrido fit Rob̃ti de St⁹garthorp Alb̃to de Brant.

[Torp̃.]

[13.] Notum sit cuntis x̃pi fidelibꝫ tam ꝑsentibꝫ q⁹m futuris me Gilb̃tum de Gant dedisse ꝯ concessisse ꝯ hac carta mea confirmasse in ꝑpetuam elemosinam sc̃imonialibꝫ de Sempingham ꝯ fratribꝫ eaꝝ feodum ꝯ ꝟviciū unius militis in Torp̃ videl̃t ꝥram Will̃i cum humagiis ꝯ ꝟviciis ꝯ oĩnibꝫ ꝑtiñ suis lib̃am ꝯ quietam ab oĩni exaccõe ꝯ seculari ꝟvicio ꝑ anima patris mei ꝑ quem religio illa sc̃imonialiū inchoata ꝯ fundata est ꝯ ꝑ anima matris mee ꝯ antecessoꝝ meoꝝ ꝯ ꝑ meip̃o ꝯ ux̃e mea ꝯ fratribꝫ meis. Et hoc concessi eis guarantizand̃ ꝑ me ꝯ heredes meos finaliṫ. Hujus rei testes sunt Rob̃tus Cancellarius Castellanus de Fine Randulf fit Gilb̃ Rob̃tus de Gant Will̃s de Welle Gerebode de Scalde Hugo de Scalde Hugo Mustelle Will̃s de Mundevilł Simon fit Will̃i Philippus de Kima Alanus Brito Herebertus fit Adelardi Lamb̃tus de Scoteini Radulf fit Ric̃i Inchel Reidelance Rob̃tus fit Simoñ Rob̃tus de templo Gilb̃tus de Semphingham Reinaldus de Cornewaile.

Date between A.D. 1139—1153, when Robert de Gant was Chancellor, see Foss. The second Robert de Gant was probably son of Walter de Gant.

[Lundthorp̃.]

[14.] Cuntis xp̃i fidelibꝫ p̄sentibꝫ ꝯ futuris Gilbtus Palmer de Lunderthorp̃ salt̃m. Sciatis me dedisse ꝯ concesse (*sic*) ꝯ hac mea carta confirmasse Deo ꝯ b̄e Marie ꝯ Conventui de Sempingham assensu Alduse uxis mee ꝯ Walteri heredis mei septem acras t̄re in t̄itorio de Lundthorp̃ videlt acram ꝯ dimidiam ad Blakalandwelt ꝯ acram ꝯ dim̃ ad Musidal ꝯ subt̄ viam ex p̄te australi acram ꝯ ex p̄te aquilonal dim̃ acram ꝯ sup̄a viam juxta campū Beltone dim̃ acram ꝯ in Anglo Herierby acram ꝯ dī ꝯ dimid acram p̄ti juxta stratam que venit de Graham ꝯ pasturam ad quadraginta oves in puram ꝯ p̄petuam elemosinam lib̄am ꝯ quietam ab om̃i exacc̄oe ꝯ seculari s̄vicio p̄ salute mea ꝯ meoꝝ. Et ego ꝯ heredes mei warantizabimus hanc t̄ram ꝯ pasturam ꝯ p̄tum p̄dc̄o Conventui erga om̃es hoies. Hiis testibꝫ. Petro Capellano Nicho clico de Lunderthorp̃ Rogm (*sic*) ꝯ Ranulfo de Tuethorp Ric̄o Pikenot Rog̃ Povdras Wilto de Stov Rich̄ de Loctun.

[15.] Univsis xp̃i fidelibꝫ ad quos p̄sens scriptum pvenit Gilbtus le Palum̃ de Lunderthorp̃ salt̃m. Novit univsitas v̄ra me dedisse ꝯ concessisse ꝯ p̄senti carta confirmasse assensu Alduse uxis mee ꝯ Walteri heredis mei Deo ꝯ conventui de Semphingh̄am in puram ꝯ p̄petuam elemosinam lib̄am ꝯ quietam ab om̃i seculari s̄vicio ꝯ t̄rena exacc̄oe quinqꝫ acras t̄re arabil̄ in t̄itorio de Lunderthorp̃ ꝯ dim̃ ac̄ prati duas scilicet acras ad Blacalanwelt ꝯ dim̃ unam acram ad Muldale unam acram ꝯ dim̃ ad Herierbiwra ꝯ in prato de Lunderthorp̃ dim̃ acram prati ult̄a viam v̄sus Grah̄am. Hanc autem donac̄om feci eis p̄ anima patris mei ꝯ antecessoꝝ meoꝝ ꝯ p̄ salute mea ꝯ meoꝝ ꝯ p̄fatam t̄ram warantizabo (*sic*) ego ꝯ heredes mei p̄dco conventui de om̃ibꝫ rebꝫ erga om̃es hoies imp̄pm. His testibꝫ. Pagano Capto Waltero Fr̄e suo Nicho de Lundthorp̃ Henr̄ Acer Fr̄e suo Ivone Joh̄e fit Horaldi.

[Aslakeby.]

[16.] Cuntis xp̃i fidelibꝫ p̄sentibꝫ ꝯ futuris Hubtus de Ria salt̃m. Sciatis q̄d dedi ꝯ concessi ꝯ hac p̄senti carta confirmavi Deo ꝯ b̄e Marie ꝯ Monialibꝫ de Sempingham ꝯ Fr̄ibꝫ eaꝝ in puram ꝯ p̄petuam elemosinam ꝯ lib̄am ab om̃i seculari s̄vicio ꝯ t̄rena exacc̄oe quadraginta acras t̄re mensuratas cum p̄tica viginti quatuor pedum in t̄itorio de Aslakeby cum bosco quantum eadem t̄ra continet ex orientali p̄te juxta boscum ꝯ t̄ram eoꝝ scil̄ sexaginta acraꝝ quas eis antea dederam ꝯ alia carta mea confirmav̄am. Ita quidem ut tam has quadraginta acras q̄m sexaginta priores p̄ voluntate sua excolāt vel foveant sepe includant ꝯ ad p̄prios usus suos inparcent. Et sciend̄ est q̄d iste quadraginta acre p̄tendunt v̄sus aquilonē in longum a bosco quem p̄dc̄e Moniales h̄ent de feudo de Beuuer usqꝫ ad t̄ram arabilem de Auethorp̃. Ego autem has quadraginta acras que in hac carta continent̄ ꝯ sexaginta acras quas alia carta mea continet cum pastura ad ducentas oves in Aslakeby warantizabo eis ꝯ h̄edes mei post me imp̄petuū ut p̄sit michi ꝯ om̃ibꝫ amicis meis ꝯ aīabꝫ patris mei ꝯ matris mee ꝯ oīm antecessoꝝ meoꝝ in vitam et̄nam. Hiis T. Rad̄o Capto de Sempingham Wilto clico de Aslakeby Davit Iuarby Alex̄ de Pointoñ Wilto ꝯ Walfo ꝯ Jordano fit Briani de Pointoñ Rich̄ clico de Loctoñ Gilbto ꝯ Rad̄

clicis de Sempingh̄am Ric̄o Pinc̄na Walfo Beisin Robto Daumertin Benedc̄o p̄posito Galfrido Mustela Elia de, Regnes Greu de Turnam Henrico de Loreng̃ Ulf Stabilario Wilto Frauncis ꝯ multis aliis.

Date c. A.D. 1170.

[Stowe.]

[17.] Om̃ibꝫ sc̄e matris ecclie filiis Ric̄us Pikenot salt̃m. Novitis me dedisse ꝯ concessisse ꝯ p̄senti carta confirmasse Deo ꝯ b̄e Marie ꝯ conventui de Sempingh̄am tresdecem bovatas t̄re arabil̄ ꝯ duas p̄tes unius bovate cum toftis ꝯ om̃ibꝫ aliis p̄tiū in vill̄ ꝯ in t̄itorio de Stowe scil̄ unū Toftum ꝯ duas bovatas ꝯ f̄ciam p̄tem unius bovate que om̃ia Brianus tenuit ꝯ ip̄m Brianū cum om̃ibꝫ catallis suis ꝯ tota sequela sua. Et tres bovatas t̄re cū Toftis videlt duas bovatas t̄re quas Unfridus tenuit cum ip̄o Unfrido ꝯ om̃ibꝫ catall̄ suis ꝯ tota sequela sua. Et unam bovat̄ quam Hugo de Fontes tenuit ꝯ ip̄m Hug̃ cum om̃ibꝫ catall̄ suis ꝯ tota sequela sua. Et unam bovat̄ t̄re cum thofto (*sic*) quam Ric̄ fit Ede tenuit ꝯ ip̄m Ric̄m cum om̃ibꝫ catall̄ suis ꝯ tota sequela sua. Et unam bovat̄ t̄re cum tofto quam Ailricus fit Siwardi tenuit ꝯ ip̄m Ailricū cū om̃ibꝫ catall̄ suis ꝯ tota sequela sua. Et unam bovat̄ t̄re quam Andr̄ fit Ailsi tenuit ꝯ ip̄m Andr̄ cum om̃ibꝫ catall̄ suis ꝯ tota sequela sua cum Tofto. Et dim̃ bovat̄ cum Tofto quam Robtus fit Colbrand̄ tenuit ꝯ ip̄m Robm cum tota sequela sua. Et duas bovatas t̄re quas Robtus fit Wilti de Trikengh̄am ꝯ Thomas fr ejus tenuerunt ꝯ duas bovatas ꝯ dim̃ bovat̄ ꝯ duas acras ꝯ dim̃ cum tofto in quo solebam aliq̄n morari cū toto prato meo in Boihenge ꝯ cū om̃ibꝫ aliis p̄tiū ad h̄end̄ ꝯ teñd̄ in p̄petuam elemosinam lib̄am ꝯ quietam p̄ salute aīe mee ꝯ antecessoꝝ ꝯ successoꝝ meoꝝ. Ego vero ꝯ hēr̄ mei warantizabim⁹ p̄dc̄o conventui hec om̃ia p̄script̄ imppetuū salvo forinsico. Hiis t̄. Walt̄ decano de Folkingham Hugoñ fit Alani Ad̄de Bukeminist̄ Waltero de Birkethorp̃ Wilto de Walcots Swave de Folkingham Wilto de Stowe Robto Frost Thoma Spinan Rog̃o Poud̄s.

[18.] Om̃ibꝫ sc̄e ecclie fit Alexand̄ fit Robti de Horbeling salt̃m. Notum sit vob̄ me concessisse concedentibꝫ heredibꝫ meis Deo ꝯ sc̄imonialibꝫ ꝯ fr̄ibꝫ eaꝝ de Sempingham humagiū Ailwardi ꝯ tocius geniture sue ꝯ unam bovatam t̄re quam ip̄e tenet cum om̃ibꝫ p̄tinenciis suis ꝯ unam mansuram in qua ip̄e manet. Hanc donac̄om fecit eis pat̄ meus p̄ se ꝯ p̄ om̃ibꝫ suis ꝯ carta sua confirmavit. Et ego similit̄ p̄ salute anime mee ꝯ omniū meoꝝ ut p̄ticipes simus oīm b̄ficioꝝ tocius ordinis de Semphingh̄am concessi ꝯ dedi in puram ꝯ p̄petuam elemosinam donū patris mei ꝯ hac carta mea confirmavi fide mea inp̄posita in manu Robti fit Juliani. Quare p̄cor oies (*sic*) sc̄e ecclie p̄latos ut hanc elemosinam patris mei ꝯ meam similit̄ confirment sup̄adc̄is Monialibꝫ ꝯ fratribꝫ eaꝝ ꝯ manuteneant. Hujus rei t̄ sunt Radulf decanus de Swauetuñ Robtus Capellanus Rad̄ Sac̄dos de Horbeling̃ Robtus filius Juliani Paganus de Horbeling̃ Simon ꝯ Joh̄es ꝯ Adam ꝯ Joh̄es filii ejus Walterus decanus de Sempingh̄am And̄ de Belingb̄ Pigot sac̄dos de Horbeling̃ Idhun de Horbeling̃ ꝯ Helyas fit ejus Walterus fit Stephani de Biligbur Davit Templarius de Horbeling̃

Reginaldus fit Heruei Galfridus de Hospitō Wilts de Hospicio Wilts Mois Rogus Brai Wilts Frauncis Radulf fit Radulfi de Loctuñ Robtus Musteil Hugo Spienet.

[Walecote, Folkyngh^{a}m.]

[19.] Univsis xpi fidelibz Herebtus fit Aielardi de Orreby salm. Sciatis me dedisse t hac carta mea confirmasse libenti assensu t concessione sponse mee Agnetis t heredū meoz in puram elemosinam t ppetuam possessionem Deo t sce Marie t scimonialibz de Sempingh^{a}m t fratribz eaz clicis t laicis cum filia mea quam in scimonialem susceperunt sexdecim bovat tre in tritorio de Walcote et duas bovatas tre in Folkingham de questu meo. Dedi etiam eis t confirmavi si quid plus tre in pdcis vill hui cum univsis ptiñ suis infra villas pdcas t ext^{a} in hoibz t demenis in toftis t croftis in pratis t pasturis in introitibz t exitibz in libtatibz t oibz aliis locis. Hanc vero elemosinam confirmavi pdcis monialibz p salute mea t meoz t p animabz patris t matris mee t ancessoz meoz libam t quietam ab omi seculari vicio t exacce ppetue possidend quam ego t heredes mei erga oes hoes eis Warantizabimus imppetuū t acquietabimus fide media intrposita in manu Ascelini de Watervilt. Hiis t. Comite Simone Philippo de Kima Simoñ de Kime Philippo t Wilto t Waltero fratribz ejus Juliano Capto Comitis Waltero de Gunby Capto Comitisse Rad Capto de Semphingh^{a}m Erniso de Neovilla t Hugone fit ejus Andrea de Musch^{a}m Rico de Ormesby Philippo fit Hereb̄ti Hereb̄to fre suo Hugoñ de Feriby Fre suo Robto fit Briani de Pointuñ Wiltmo t Waltero fratribz ejus Robto fit Juliani de Horbt t Gocelino t Godfrido fit ejus Hugone le Moine Waltero de Folkingham.

Date before A.D. 1184.

[Useby.]

[20.] Sciant presentes t futuri qd ego Alexander de Bic^{a} t Margareta ux mea de assensu t voluntate Simonis fit Johis de Horbligē dedimus t concessimus t hac psenti carta confirmavimus Deo t be Marie t conventui de Semphingh^{a}m illam dim bovat tre in tritio de Useby cum ptiñ suis quam Johes pat pdci Simonis tenuit in tritio de Useby ad finē t tenend libe t quiete in ppetuam elemosinam Reddendo annuatim Petro fit Alani de Usebi duodecim denarios ad duos tminos scilicet ad Pascha sex denarios t ad festum Sci M^{cis} sex denarios p oi vicio secłari t exacce. Nos añ t heredes ñri warantizabimus pscript tram cum ptiñ suis pdco conventui erga oes hoes imppetuū. Ad majorem vero hujus rei securitatem carta ista sigilt pdci Alexandri unacum sigilt pdci Simonis corobata est. Hiis t. Pagano de Billingbur Wilto Capto de Sempingh^{a}m Rogo Poydras Wilto de Chycsand Rogo fit Tholi Rico de Brunna.

[Birthorp.]

[21.] Oibz xpi fidelibz ad quos psens scriptum pvenit Sara fit Robti clici de T^{i}kingham salm. Novit univsitas vra me divine pietatis intuitu dedisse concessisse t hac psenti carta mea confirmasse Deo t be Marie t conventui de Sempingh^{a}m in puram t ppetuam

elemosinam libam t quietam ab omi seculari vicio t frena exacce totum redditum meū cum oibz ptiñ suis in Birkthorp quem pat meus michi dedit scilicet dimid marcam argenti de illa bovata tre quam Rad de Birkthorp ho Prioris de Sempingh^{a}m de me tenuit scilicet viginti denarios ad Natale Dni t viginti denarios ad Pascha t viginti denarios ad festum sci Botulphi et viginti denarios ad festum sci Michis t duos solidos annuatim de illo tofto quem Thomas fit Walti de Birkethorp de me tenuit scilicet sex denarios ad Natale Dni t sex denarios ad festum sci Botulphi (*sic*) t sex denarios ad festum sci Michaelis cum homagiis t releviis t aliis viciis dcoz Radulphi de Birkethorp t Thome fit Walteri de Birkethorp Tenend t hend dco conventui libe quiete t integre sicut aliqua elemosina libius vel melius dari vel teneri potest salvis tantomodo sexdecim denariis annuatim soluendis ad Capellam sci Salvatoris de Salceto. Ego vero Sara t heredes mei dcm redditū cum homagiis t releviis t aliis viciis dco Conventui de Semphingh^{a}m warantizabim^{9} defendemus t de oibz reb acquietabim^{9} erga oes hoes imppetuū. In cujus rei securitatem t testimoniū psens scriptū sigill mei munimine roboravi. Hiis testibz Magro Reginaldo de Pitwrye Waltero Frost de Trekengh^{a}m Lambto fit Thome Ada fit Robti Wilto clico Galfrid de Birkethorp Robto de Birthorp.

[Sempingh^{a}m, Bilingburch.]

[22.] Notum sit cuntis xpi fidelibz qd ego Rogus Mustela de assensu Agnetis matris mee t Hugonis fris mei concessi t quantum ad me ptinet dedi t hac carta mea confirmavi Deo t be Marie t scimonialibz de Sempingham t eaz fribz clicis t laicis in puram t ppetuam elemosinam quinqz carucatas tre t dim in Sempingh^{a}m t in Bilingburch cum bosco qui dicit^{r} Fastolueshaga t cum oibz aliis ptiñ suis quas Rogus fit Jocelini avunculus meus eis dedit scilicet quicquid juris ipe in pdcis vill huerat t ecclam de Tiringtuñ cum ptiñ suis t molendinū unū in tritorio de Cocrintoñ cum ptiñ suis. Has autem donacões warantizabimus eis erga oes hoes imppetuū ego t heredes mei. Quoniam ego Rogus t pdca Agnes mat mea t Hugo frat meus hec oia pdca in puram t ppetuam elemosinam t libam t quietam ab omi preno vicio t seculari exacce sup^{a}dict monialibz t fribz eaz contulim^{9} t sacrosca sub psenciam dni Robti Lincolniensis Epi tangentes evangelia juravim^{9} qd pfatas donacões firmas decetlo t illibatas observaremus. Hujus rei testes sunt. Baldricus de Sigill Magist Robtus de Burnh^{a}m Radus Prior de Markeby Rogus fit Willi Magist Malgerus Magist Rad Medicus Wilts Clemens Canonicus Alanus Psbit de Teslesby Unfridus clicus Laurencius clicus frat Ricus Elemosinarius Gilbtus de Luda Rog fit Jocelini Matheus de Benigword Wilts fit Gilbti Walterus Teringtuñ Radulf de Howtoñ Robtus fit Beringeri Samsoñ fit Erewardi Brianus fit Stephani Gilbt fit Thoraldi Alexander de Pointoñ t Dolfinus.

Date before A.D. 1168.

(To be continued.)