CHURCH NOTES OF HIGHCLERE AND BURGHCLERE, CO. HANTS.

THE contributor of the following rough notes relating to two churches in that *terra incognita*, the county of Hants, cannot refrain from again alluding to the fact that it not only has no historian, but that the archæological exertions of the adjacent counties (and the county of Sussex merits the first place) have failed to infuse energy into its supine inhabitants. Time creeps on. The records of the past crumble into dust, and not the solitary voice of a single resident has hitherto been raised for the promotion of those researches which three of the neighbouring counties are actively engaged in, and although they have already each their history, or a portion of it, in print. If Hampshire is too feeble to stand up alone, it might surely endeavour to sustain its weakness by amalgamation with the neighbouring and more energetic county of Wilts.[a]

HIGHCLERE.

This church was erected, as appears from an inscription in the chancel, by Sir Robert Sawyer in 1688. It is built of red brick, and in the worst style of architecture, and, with the exception of some panelling, which forms the front of Lord Carnarvon's family pew or gallery, has nothing to arrest attention. There are, however, one or two monuments deserving notice.

In the chancel, and within the communion rails, are the following slabs:

1. Commemorative of Thomas Milles, Bishop of Waterford,[b] surmounted by a shield bearing the coat of the see, impaling a chevron between three mill-rinds. Over the shield is a mitre.

2. Commemorative of Isaac Milles, a native of Suffolk, of St. John's College, Cambridge, A.M., and Rector of Highclere, who died July 6, 1720, aged 82. He had, by Elizabeth his wife, who died 4th January, 1708, three sons—

1. Thomas Bishop of Waterford;

[a] Since the above was written it appears that a Prospectus is in circulation for the purpose of collecting materials for a history.

[b] This prelate was of Wadham College, Oxford. He took his degree of B.A. in 1692, and went to Ireland with Lord Pembroke in 1707. He died at Waterford, May 13, 1740. He made his nephew, Jeremiah Milles, his heir. This gentleman became Dean of Exeter, and was President of the Society of Antiquaries. He died in 1784, and was buried at St. Edmund's, Lombard Street, where there is a monument to his memory. See vols. liv. and lvi. Gent. Mag.

2. Jeremy, of Baliol College, Oxford, and Vicar of Duloe, in Cornwall;
3. Isaac, Treasurer of Waterford, and Prebendary of Lismore; also one daughter,

Elizabeth, who was wife of Richard Pocock, LL.B. Head Master of Southampton School, &c.[c]

This stone was placed by the children, and the inscription is in Latin. Above is a shield with the single coat of Milles.

On the north side are the following mural monuments:

1. In memory of Isaac Milles, born at Cockfield, near Bury St. Edmund's, and M.A. of St. John's Coll. Then follows an elaborate eulogy, and a statement that he had, by Elizabeth Luckin, his wife, the children mentioned on the slab which covers his remains.

2. A large and stately monument to the memory of Richard Kingsmill esquire,[d] second son of Sir John Kingsmill, of Sidmonton, knight, first attorney and afterwards surveyor of the Court of Wards and Liveries for twenty-five years. His only daughter, by his first wife Alice Falconer of Husbourne, called Constance, was married to Sir Thomas Lucy, of Warwickshire, knight, who erected this monument. Corresponding to the slab on which this inscription is placed is another, bearing some Latin lines eulogistical of the deceased.

The effigy, with the hands in prayer, is habited in a ruff, with a judicial dress and cap. The head rests on a cushion, behind which are small kneeling figures, of a male in armour, and a female in the habit of the times, in all probability intended for Sir Thomas Lucy and his wife. Below are the figures of six sons and four daughters, all kneeling in prayer.

This monument, which was originally richly gilt and painted, is surmounted by the coat and crest of Kingsmill; viz. Argent, semée of cross-crosslets fitchy sable, a chevron ermines between three mill-rinds of the second, a chief ermines. Crest; a cubit arm vested argent, cuffed ermine, hand ppr. holding a mill-rind sable. On the dexter side is a shield bearing Kingsmill, impaling,

[c] Dr. Richard Pocock, Bishop of Meath, better known as "Pocock the Traveller," was their son.

[d] His mother was Constance, daughter of John Goring, of Burton, co. Sussex. His first wife, Alice Falconer, was the relict of Thomas Wroughton, of Overton, co. Wilts. His second wife was the relict of George Stonehouse, of Radley, co. Berks, whose son was created a Baronet in 1628.

Sable, three falcons argent (Falconer). On the sinister side is a similar shield bearing, Gules, semée of cross-crosslets, three lucies hauriant or (Lucy), impaling Kingsmill.

On the south side are the following mural memorials:

1. A marble monument with inscription to the memory of Thomas Milles, sometime chaplain to Thomas Earl of Pembroke, afterwards Bishop of Waterford, &c. He died 1740, aged seventy. This was erected by Jeremiah Milles. Above is a shield with the arms of the see of Waterford impaling Milles, and surmounted by a mitre. Over all is a mourning figure leaning on an urn. The inscription is in Latin.

2. A very large marble monument ornamented with fluted Corinthian pilasters, and surmounted by an urn. Under a curtain looped up, and forming a canopy, are a skull and bones encircled by a chaplet of bay. Below this is a shield with the arms of Sawyer; viz. a fess checky between three sea-pies. A short Latin inscription commemorates Sir Robert Sawyer, knight, Attorney-General to Charles the Second and James the Second, and states that he built the church in 1688 at his own expense, and that he died July 10, 1692, aged sixty.[e]

Against the east wall is a small slab to the memory of the Rev. Archibald Gairdner, Rector of the parish, who died August 31, 1815, aged sixty-three.

On the floor of the nave is a slab covering the remains of the

[e] The date of his decease, as given on his monument, is erroneous, as will be observed upon reference hereafter to the parish register and the funeral certificate. He was educated at Magdalen College, Cambridge, where he took the degree of M.A. 1655, and was afterwards of the Inner Temple. He was knighted in 1661, and became Attorney-General in 1680. As a politician he was attached to the baneful and arbitrary dynasty by whose rule the country was then afflicted. He obtained an unenviable notoriety by conducting the case against Russell and Sidney, and also the *quo warranto* against the City of London, giving, as Hume says, "The greatest wound to the legal constitution which the most powerful and most arbitrary monarchs had ever yet been able to inflict." Although dismissed by James the Second in 1687 for his opposition to the dispensing power, and having thus, in some slight degree, made atonement for his guilty share in the blood of Russell and Sidney, he was expelled the House of Commons in 1688 for the part he took in the prosecution of Sir Thomas Armstrong for his connection with the Ryehouse Plot, and he relapsed into his original sinnings, and affection for what he had styled "the best of governments," by advancing frivolous, and happily unheeded, objections to the authority of the Great Deliverer when the liberties of his country were still in the balance, and the snake was as yet only scotched, not killed. His "replication" to the City of London's Plea against the *quo warranto* was published in 1690.

Rev. Archibald Gairdner; and near the chancel, one commemorative of Mrs. Mary Clerke, widow, who died Nov. 15, 1757; and of Alice Milles, who died Dec. 10, 1717, aged 2 months.

Against the north wall of the north aisle are slabs to:—

1. William Criswick, died March 8, 1827, aged 78. Sarah Criswick, died Jan. 13, 1795, aged 56. Phœbe Criswick, died Jan. 8, 1799, aged 50. Letitia Criswick, died Feb. 8, 1829, aged 82.

2. William Coleman of Keynsham, Somerset, late of Highclere, died July 12, 1799, aged 59.

3. Mary, wife of William Coleman, late of Melksham, Wilts, died Sept. 20, 1783, aged 46. Also, Alice, his second wife, who died Jan. 10, 1795, aged 39.

On the floor are slabs to the memory of—

1. Robert Ferris, died June 8, 1816, aged 75; and Dorothy his wife, who died July 10, 1819, aged 78.

2. Sarah Criswick, wife of William Criswick, beforementioned.

3. The Rev. Thomas Rooke, curate of the parish, who died Dec. 23, 1795, aged 38.

On the south aisle, and against the south wall, is a marble monument to the memory of George Sawyer of Canon Pyon, in the county of Hereford, esquire, second son of George Sawyer of Haywood, in the county of Berks, and nephew of Sir Robert Sawyer, knt. He was a barrister of the Inner Temple in 1698, and, by favour of Lord Pembroke, the Keeper of the Privy Seal, "the great benefactor of him and his whole family," appointed Clerk of the Privy Seal, which office he executed for twenty-five years. He died May 15, 1724, in the 64th year of his age; and was buried below. Above are the arms of Sawyer, with the crest, viz. a talbot gardant.

Two benefactions are recorded on the western gallery:—

1. £200 5 per Cents. bequeathed in trust to Lord Carnarvon, for the poor and the school, by the Rev. Archibald Gairdner.

2. A cottage and 30 perches of land, given to the churchwardens, for the school, by Edward Bond, in 1724.

Burghclere, co. Hants.

This church is now disused and dilapidated, and a fitting habitation only for the bat and the owl. No service is per-

formed, and, until the interment of the late Earl of Carnarvon, there was hardly a pane of glass in any of the windows. If it was deemed necessary to desecrate the building, and to remove the services to the new church, as being in a more central position, it would surely be a sensible proceeding to pull down, rather than let fall down, what is now superfluous, and to keep the chancel in repair, as a sort of mortuary chapel, that is to say, if interments are to be continued. A few of the windows are good, and the mullions might therefore be preserved and worked up again, and there is a very fair pointed arched western doorway, which might readily be removed to form the entrance to the chapel.

Against the north wall of the chancel is a small monument, commemorative of Miss St. Quintin, eldest daughter of Sir William St. Quintin, Bart. who died July 14, 1758, in her 31st year. The armorial bearings on a shield above are nearly obliterated.

Against the south wall is a large marble monument, commemorative of Mrs. Anne Eyre, who died Sept. 20, 1715, in her 43rd year. Her first husband was Henry Harnett, merchant, of the East Indies: her second husband was John Stackhouse, governor of Fort William, in Bengal, by whom she had three sons and three daughters, who all survived her; her third husband was Richard Eyre of Cottesford, second son of the Rev. Richard Eyre, Rector of this parish for 55 years.

On the floor is a slab covering her remains; and also another, covering those of Miss St. Quintin.

Besides the above, there are slabs recording the burial of—

1. Peter Beconsawe, gent. who died March 19, 1641, at Earlstone, in this county, aged 68.[f]

2. Stephen Hunt, "octogenarius pœne," who died April 28, 1716. Of his sons, one, William, was Archdeacon of Bath; and Joseph was fellow of Baliol College, Oxford; and they placed this slab.

3. Bennett, son of John Sladd the Rector, and Mary his wife, who died Sept. 24, 1689, aged 25.

4. Elizabeth Sladd. This is much defaced.

[f] He was son of John Beconsawe of Burghclere, by Anne, daughter of Nicholas Tichborne, and was cousin to the Beconsawes of Moyles Court.

Within the communion rails are two inscribed slabs, but much defaced :—

1. . . . . Sladd, died July 12, 1666.

2. John Sladd, Rector of the parish, died Aug. 25, 1689, aged 62.

Against the west wall of the north transept is a large marble monument to the memory of Charlotte Ambrose, wife of Rear-Admiral Ambrose, of Earlstone. She was youngest daughter of Sir John Norris, by Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Matthew Lord Aylmer, of Balrath. She died March 8, 1759, aged 43. The arms surmounting this monument, now obliterated, were, as appears from a decayed atchievement, Per fess argent and gules, three billets counterchanged, each charged with an annulet, impaling, Quarterly argent and gules, on the 2nd and 3rd quarter a fret or, over all a fess azure. Crest, a pelican.

On the floor of the nave are the following slabs :—

1. John James, of Adbury, gent. died Nov. 8, 1785, aged 72.

2. Mary his wife, did 24 Aug. 1789, aged 70.

3. George Dicker, died Dec. 12, 1737, aged 47.

4. Partly concealed by a pew. Anne . . . . wife of . . . . Warner, of this parish, yeoman. (? daughter of) M^r^. John Eastmund, died 1685, aged 34.

Under the tower, which is at the west end, is a slab inscribed to the memory of John Warner, who died Oct. 5, 1684, in his 28th year.

Highclere and Burghclere were anciently part of the possessions of the see of Winchester. Bishop Poynet[s] conveyed them to Edward the Sixth, who granted them in fee to Sir William

[s] Poynet, as may be inferred, was a zealous upholder of the Reformed Protestant Church. Godwin tells us, that he was "*vir egregie doctus.*" On Mary's accession he fled to Germany, and died at Strasbourg April 11, 1556. Milner accuses him of signing away many valuable possessions of the see of Winchester, and this is true, and yet with all this abrasion the revenues of this princely see still exhibited evidence of successful plunder by a priesthood, ever active in their extortions from the weak or the dying by threats of divine wrath or presumptuous offers of absolution. Collier, whose extenuation of the burning of the Dutch Anabaptists in 1575 is sufficient to taint his opinions on all ecclesiastical matters; Heylin, too, another of those repudiators of the Reformation whose presence is unhappily polluting our fold in the present day, are of course loud in their denunciations of this prelate, and should therefore only make a Protestant people think more highly of his worth.

Fitzwilliam.[h] Mary, on succeeding her brother, cancelled this grant. On the accession of Elizabeth they were restored to Fitzwilliam by Act of Parliament in the first year of her reign. The heirs of Fitzwilliam subsequently sold to Richard Kingsmill. On the 12th of May, 1597, Kingsmill gave to his daughter, Lady Lucy, the wife of Sir Thomas Lucy, knt. the manor of Highclere, &c. and to her heirs male; in default, to her right heirs. On Jan. 2, 1677, Richard Lucy, of Charlecote, who would appear to have been the grandson of Sir Thomas, conveyed the property to Sir Robert Sawyer, whose daughter and

[h] He was of the Irish branch of the family of Fitzwilliam, and in great favour with Edward the Sixth and his sister Elizabeth. He was appointed Clerk of the Hanaper Aug. 26, 1532, was M.P. for Carlow in 1559, and dying Oct. 3, in the same year, was interred in St. George's Chapel, Windsor, where there is a handsome monument to his memory, of which a plate is given in the Appendix to Lysons's Berkshire. His will, dated 27 April, 2 and 3 of Philip and Mary, was proved Nov. 9, 1555. He describes himself as "residing in the Grete Parke at Windsor." He married Jane, daughter of John Roberts (son of Walter Roberts of Glassenbury, co. Kent) by Mary, daughter of Richard Sackville. She resided, as his relict, at Chertsey, and her will was proved in 1575, when she desired to be buried near her husband in Sir Reginald Bray's Chapel. They had issue four daughters, co-heirs, viz.—Mabel, wife of Sir Thomas Browne, of Betchworth, co. Surrey; Catherine, wife of Christopher Preston, first Lord Gormanstown; and Elizabeth the elder, and Elizabeth the younger. One of these married Francis Jermy, of Brightwell, co. Suffolk, the other married —— Reade. Sir William bequeathed his manors of Highclere and Burghclere to his wife Jane for her life, and after her decease to his three younger daughters, by whom it was, it may be presumed, conveyed to Mr. Richard Kingsmill.

The arms of Sir William Fitzwilliam, as they appear on his monument, are sketched in Ashmole's Visitation of Berkshire, Coll. Arm. C. 12, f. 346; and in No. 874, fol. 53, of the Lansd. MSS. Brit. Mus. is a drawing of his surcoat, bearing quarterly, 1 and 4, Gules, on a bend voided argent three martlets vert. (By some these are erroneously called pelicans; they may be parrots. It will be observed that this coat is wholly unlike the coat of Fitzwilliam of Yorkshire. The latter, however, was adopted by the Irish Viscounts Fitzwilliam.) 2 and 3, quarterly, 1 and 4, Argent, a fess between six martlets gules (Dowdall of Ireland); 2 and 3, Per pale argent and ——, two chevrons between three annulets, or roundels, azure. This coat is attributed by Lysons to D'Artois, whose heir married Dowdall, but the coat of D'Artoys of Ireland is totally different. Crest, on a peacock's tail proper, a greyhound's head erased argent, collared gules.

The targe has the same arms.

The standard has the crest repeated, as is usual.

Of the pennons one bears the coats quarterly, as before; the other the same coats impaling, Azure, on a chevron argent three mullets sable (Roberts).

The will of Jane Lady Fitzwilliam affords one of the many instances of the curious compound of bequests made at that period—jewellery, great bowls of silver, feather-beds, spits, and brass pots!

sole heiress became the wife of Thomas Herbert, Earl of Pembroke, from whom the estates descended to the present Earl of Carnarvon.

The contributor is indebted to the kindness of Sir C. G. Young (Garter) for the permission to transcribe the following funeral certificates, and the notes from the parish register of High Clere have been obligingly furnished to him by the curate, the Rev. Joseph Lewis Morris.

(I. 16, f. 103. Coll. Arm.)

The Right Worshipfull Mr Richard Kingsmill, of High Clere, in the countie of Southampton, esquire, surveior of the Court of Wardes & Leverees, maried to his first wyffe Alice the doughter of Richard Faulconer of Hurstbourne, and co-heire to her brother Richard Faulconer: By which Alice he had issue Constance, his only doughter and heire, maried to Sr Thomas Lucy of Charlecot in the countie of Warwick knight, who by her hath issue Thomas Lucy, Richard, George, Willm, Robert, Francis, Elizabeth, Anne, and Brigid.

The said Richard Kingsmill tooke to his second wyffe Elizabeth, daughter of David Woodroff, Alderman of London, by whom he had no issue.

He ended this transitory lyffe at High Clere, the 17 of September, anº. 1600, and was in the parish church there worshipfully, according to his estate, comitted to the earth, and his ffunerals solemnised, the 7 of October next following.

The principall mourner, Sr Thomas Lucy. The assistantes, Mr George Kingsmill, Justice of the Comon Pleas, and Mr William Kingsmill. The penon borne by Mr William Wroughton. The preacher, Doctor Feild.

William Camden, Clarenceux, and William Smith, Rouge Dragon, attending and serving at the said funerall.

THO. LUCY.

W. SMITH, Rouge Dragon. WILLIAM WROUGHTON.

The drawings of the armorial ensigns are as follows: viz.—

The pennon bearing the coat of Kingsmill, charged with a crescent for difference. The helmet surmounted by the crest, charged with a crescent for difference.

The surcoat embroidered with the same arms.

1. Targe, Sable, three falcons argent, beaked and taloned or (Falconer).

2. Ditto, quarterly 1 and 4, Gules, on a chevron argent three buck's heads erased sable, a chief per fess nebuly sable and argent (Woodroffe). 2 & 3. Sable, a fess ermine between three ounces passant gardant argent (Hill).

(I. 30, f. 112. Coll. Arm.)

Sir Robert Sawyer, of High Clere, in y^e^ county of Southampton, knight, late Speaker of the Honorable House of Commons, in the reign of king Charles y^e^ Second, and attorney-general in y^e^ reigns of king Charles y^e^ Second and king James y^e^ Second, and one of the burgesses for the university of Cambridge in the Parliament in the first yeare of the reign of king William and queen Mary, departed this mortal life in the fifty-ninth yeare of his age, on the 28^th^ day of July, 1692, at his mansion house of High Clere aforesaid. His corps was carryed from thence to the parish churche there (which he at his own cost rebuilt), and buried in a vault in the south ile of the same church, on the sixth of August following. He was sixth son of Sir Edmund Sawyer, knight, one of the auditors of the Exchequer, by his second wife (his first wife Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Parkhurst, of London, alderman, dying without issue,) Anne, only daughter of Sir William Whitmore, of Apley, in Shropshire, knight, by Margaret, his first wife, daughter of Rowland Moseley, of the Hough, in the county of Lancaster, esq^r^. father of the first Sir Edward Moseley, baronet. The defunct married Margaret, eldest daughter of Ralf Suckling, of Canonsbury house, in Islington parish, in the county of Middlesex, esqr. who survived him, and was executrix of his last will and testament. He left issue, at the time of his death, Margaret, daughter and sole heiress, married to the Right Honorable Thomas Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord Privy Seal, who hath issue by her, living, Henry Lord Herbert, of about four years old, Lady Katharine, about seven years old, the Lady Margaret, three years old, and Rob^t^, born the 28^th^ day of January, 1692.

This certificate was taken by Peter Le Neve, Rouge Croix Pursuivant of Arms, by the appointment of Sir Henry S^t^ George, knight, Clarenceux King of Arms, and the truth thereof attested by the subscription of Dame Margaret Sawyer, widow and sole executrix to the defunct, this sixth day of May, Anno D^ni^ 1693.

Signed M. Sawyer.

The first entry in the Registers belonging to the parish of Highclere is in the year 1652.

In the year 1656, "Christopher Massey" is mentioned as being "Rector," and "Arthur Holdway, *Register*."

1680. On November the 9th, in this year, "Mr. Christopher Massey, late Rector of Highcleare, was buryed." The affidavit of his having been buried in woollen was made before "John Kingsmill, Esq., one of his Majesties justices of y^e^ peace for y^e^ countie of South^on^."

1680. "Isaac Milles, Master of Arts, was presented to Highcleer, by Sir Robert Sawyer, December 28th, 1680; was instituted March 7th, 1680–1; was inducted by Mr. Sladd, Rector of Burghclere, May 27th, 1681."

1682. On the 20th of August, "Antony ffarringdon, Esquire, Recorder of St. Alban's, was married to Mary Sawyer, daughter of Sir Edmund Sawyer."

1692. Mr. Milles makes the following entry respecting Sir Robert Sawyer's death. "After 5 or 6 dayes confinement to his chamber (his disease a dropsy), on the 28th of July, after he had received the holy Sacrament, piously expired between 10 and 11 o'clock, and was with all decent solemnity interred in the vault hee had caused to be made, on the 6th of August. (Hee died in the fifty-ninth year of his age.)"

He then adds as follows:—

"This honourable gentleman of his owne liberality cheerfully built a new compleat church in this parish of Highcleer, the old one being ruinous and unfitt, which was begun to be plucked down August 18, 1687, and the new church was finished so as wee assembled in it on the 18th of August, 1689. This church cost S^r^ Robert above a thousand pounds (the parishioners only layd out about fourty pounds in the carriage of some timber and bricks near home). This church will be a lasting monument of the piety of this good, wise, and faithful gentleman," &c.

1695. On the 14th of September was born, and on the 1st of October baptized, "Charles, son of the Right Honourable Thomas Earl of Pembroke and Mountgomery, Lord Privy Seal, and of the Lady Margaret, Countess of Pembroke and Mountgomery."

1707-8. On January 5th, Elizabeth Milles, the wife of Isaac Milles, was buried.

Lady Margaret Sawyer, relict of Sir Robert Sawyer, was buried in the vault September 26, 1708.

1720. On Wednesday the sixth of July, 1720, died, and on Saturday the ninth of the same month was interred the Reverend Mr. Isaac Milles, M.A., who was for thirty-nine years, two months, and seven days the constant resident Rector of this parish, &c.

1723. "Hastings Lloyd, Rector of Highcleer, was inducted May 6th, 1723."

1724. "Alta Clera.

"Memorandum, That at the Court Baron held for the said manor, on Tuesday the third day of November, 1724, Edward Bond, Gent., left one cottage and some garden ground to put one or more children to school "to learn to read the Bible," and to learn "the Church Catechism."

1757. "The Rev. Mr. Hastings Lloyd, Rector of this parish, was buried in the chancell the 16th day of March."

1757. "Richard Davies, A.M. was inducted into the Rectory of Highclere, April 23rd, 1757."

1762. On July 16th, Margaret widow of the Rev. Hastings Lloyd was buried.

1785. "Memorandum. The new church-yard was consecrated by Brownlow Lord Bishop of Winchester, 30th of September, 1785."

1790. On the 30th September was buried "Frances wife of the Rev. Richard Davies, Rector of Highclere."

1796. On "October 11th, was buried the Revd. Richard Davies, Rector of this parish."

1798. In this year there is an entry in the Marriage Register signed "A. Gairdner, *Minister*;" and in the year 1799, "A. Gairdner, *Rector*."

1801. The parish of Highclere was numbered by Thos. Grace, one of the overseers, and Thos. Tarrant, as agent for Pinnigar, the other overseer, on the 20th of April, 1801, according to the Act intitled "The Population Act," and amounted to 310.

1815. Mr. Gairdner's last entry is on Feb. 21st of this year.

In the Registers there is an account of briefs and subscriptions for various charitable purposes, extending over very many pages. These subscriptions were very frequent during the time that Mr.

Milles was Rector. The French Protestants, the Vaudois, poor captives, the wants of individuals, the distress of parishes through fire or any other cause, the want of church accommodation, were all subjects that called forth repeated contributions from the people of Highclere. The two following are examples:—

	£	s.	d.
"ffor London, 1666, delivered by Mr. Joseph Garrard, and received by order of the Lord Maior of London by Mr. Thomas Ployer, Chamberlain, ffeb. 12, 1666 .	1	0	6

"Collected for the Redemption of Captives in the parish church of Highclere, and at some of the houses, in the month of September, 1692, for the captives in Algiers.

"The names as followeth—

	£	s.	d.
"The Right Honourable the Earl of Pembroke, two Guineas	2	3	00
"The Right Honourable the Countess of Pembroke, half a Guinea . . .	00	10	9
"Mr. George Sawyer	00	1	00
"Js. Milles, Rector	00	2	6
"&c. &c. &c.			
"Making a total of . .	4	5	6"

It may be doubted whether there was any residence of note at Highclere even in the time of Mr. Kingsmill. His will, dated in 1597, and proved in the year of his decease, makes no mention of any house excepting one at Hasbourne, and speaks simply of Highclere and Burghclere as his manor and lordship.

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EXTRACTS FROM THE REGISTERS OF SUTTON WALDRON, NEAR SHAFTESBURY, CO. DORSET.

Memorandum on the fly-leaf of the oldest extant Register.

Rectors of Sutton Waldron.

Thomas Bright,	buried 1594	
Daniel Yard,	instituted 1594,	38 years Rector.
Thomas Woods,	instituted Nov. 5, 1632,	5 ,,
Mr. Andrews.		
Mr. Coombs.		
Mr. Palmer.		
Arthur Barrett,	instituted 1676,	14 ,,