#### Introduction

John Leland

The English antiquary John Leland or Leyland, sometimes referred to as 'Junior' to distinguish him from an elder brother also named John, was born in London about 1506, probably into a Lancashire family. He was educated at St. Paul's school under the noted scholar William Lily, where he enjoyed the patronage of a certain Thomas Myles. From there he proceeded to Christ's College, Cambridge where he graduated B.A. in 1522. Afterwards he studied at All Souls, Oxford, where he met Thomas Caius, and at Paris under Francis Sylvius.

After entering Holy Orders in 1525, he became tutor to the son of Thomas Howard, Duke of Norfolk. While so employed, he wrote much elegant Latin poetry in praise of the Royal Court which may have gained him favour with Henry VIII, for he was



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appointed Library keeper by the King sometime between 1528 and 1530 and was also made a royal chaplain, being presented to the living of Pepeling near Calais. His poetical output continued, including verses sung at the coronation of Anne Boleyn in 1533 and an elaborate composition marking the birth of Edward VI in 1537.<sup>2</sup>

In 1533 Leland became King's Antiquary, an office only ever held by him, by commission under the Broad Seal. He was given the task of researching in abbeys, colleges and other likely places for antiquarian records. In 1536 he began an epic six year tour of the entire Kingdom in pursuit of further information, being for this purpose relieved of his residential obligations at

Pepeling, his duties performed by a curate.

He intended that his researches should form the material for a work entitled *The* History and Antiquities of this Nation, and claimed to have visited 'nearly every bay, river, lake, mountain, valley, moor, heath, wood, city, castle, manor house, monastery and college in the land. He also paid close attention to all Danish. Saxon and Roman remains encountered, and noted details of ancient inscriptions and coin hoards found in the places he visited.

Leland's tour coincided with the period of the Dissolution of the Monasteries and the terrible destruction of priceless manuscripts, which this episode witnessed, greatly upset him. He petitioned Thomas Cromwell to empower him to save these, wherever possible, for the Royal Library, especially seeing that \( \times he Germans, perceiving our \) desidiousness and negligence, do send daily young scholars hither that spoileth them and cutteth them out of libraries, returning home and putting them abroad as monuments of their own country. He was unsuccessful, but nevertheless managed to save much material from St. Augustine's Abbev at Canterbury.

In 1545, after the completion of his tour, he presented an account of his achievements and future plans to the King, in the form of an address entitled 'A New Year's Gift'. These included a projected Topography of England, a fifty volume work on the Antiquities and Civil History of Britain, a six volume Survey of the islands adjoining Britain (including the Isle of Wight, the Isle of Man and Anglesey) and an engraved map of Britain. He also proposed to publish a full description of all Henry's Royal Palaces.

Sadly, little or none of this materialised and Leland appears to have dissipated much effort in seeking church advancement and in literary disputes such as that with Richard Croke, who he claimed had slandered him. By 1550 he is said to have become mentally unbalanced or even insane, whether from disease or the strain of his work cannot be known for certain, and was placed under the care and restraint of his elder brother by order of the Privy Council on 21st March of that year. He died on April 18th 1552 without recovering, and was buried in the church of St. Michael Querne, Cheapside. The church, along with Leland's monument bearing an elegaic verse, was destroyed in the Great Fire in 1666, and not rebuilt.

Leland is considered to be the first recognisably modern English antiquarian writer. He showed industry and power of observation. It is only regrettable that his taste ran more to written records than architecture, and his descriptions of buildings often lack precise detail (though not enthusiasm) as when he writes of Malmesbury Abbey simply that it was 'a right magnificent thing'. He was even less careful to record aspects of natural history or social custom.

He left a great mass of MSS which was extensively used by later antiquaries, not all of whom acknowledged him.<sup>3</sup> His chief published works were his *Commentarii de* Scriptoribus Britannicis, his Collectanea and the Itinerary. The latter works, the Welsh portions of which are reprinted here, are the surviving record of Leland's great antiquarian tour through England and Wales between 1536 and 1542.

Both the Collectanea and Itinerary lack polished English style, and have been described as reading like 'masses of undigested notes', which is probably what they are. Leland's poetry, by contrast, always shows grace and imagination. Leland's historical scholarship shows him to be sound in genealogical matters but he shared with Humphrey Llwyd and Sir John Prys a preference for the Arthurian fables of Geoffrey of Monmouth and an aversion to the very proper scepticism of Polydore Vergil.4

<sup>1</sup> All biographical details are from the Dictionary of National Biography Ed. Sidney Leevol, xxxiii London Smith, Elder & Co. 1893

<sup>2</sup> Entitled Genethliacon illustrissimi Eaduerdi Principis Cambriae, Ducis Coriniae et Comitis Palatini, libellus ante aliquot annos inchoatus. Nunc vero absolutus et editus, it was dedicated to the King and contained explanations of the ancient placenames mentioned in it.

<sup>3</sup> William Camden, for instance, was charged by Ralph Brooke, in his Discoverie of Certaine Errours, with 'feathering his nest with Leland's plumes' when composing the *Britannia*.

<sup>4</sup> His defence of the authenticity of the Arthurian cycle was entitled Assertio inclytissimi Arturij, regis Britanniae A single MS copy on vellum survives, dated 1544. It was published in English translation in 1582 by R.Robinson as the Ancient Order and Society and Unite Laudable of Prince Arthur and his knightly Armoire of the Round Table

After his death, Leland's MSS were pass ed by Edward VI to Sir John Cheke, but when this Protestant noble was forced to flee to the Continent on the accession of the Catholic Mary, they were dispersed. One at least came into the possession of Dr John Dee. The MS of the *Itinerary* passed via Lord William Paget to Sir William Cecil, Lord Burghley. In the 17<sup>th</sup> century, many of Leland's MSS were gathered by historian William Burton, including the *Itinerary*. In 1632 he gave both the *Collectanea* and seven of the eight volumes of the *Itinerary* to the Bodleian Library in Oxford. The eighth volume, which Burton had lent to a friend who subsequently failed to return it, ultimately joined its fellows in 1677 by the generosity of Charles King of Christchurch College.

Although several transcriptions of the *Itinerary* were made in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, notably by historian John Stow, Leland's *Itinerary* was only first published in 1710-12 by Thomas Hearne<sup>5</sup>, with successive editions appearing in 1745 and 1770. After a lapse of more than a century, Miss Lucy Toulmin Smith published a new edition of the full *Itinerary* between 1906 and 1910. Shortly afterwards, the sections covering Welsh matters were published in the form reproduced below.

Miss Lucy Toulmin Smith 1838-1911 6

This remarkable scholar was born in Boston, Massachusetts, the daughter of Joshua Toulmin Smith (1816-69). From 1842 to 1894 she lived in Highgate, London, moving in that year to Oxford to become Librarian of Manchester Harris College. She



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remained in that position until her death in 1911. She is the only woman Librarian to be noted in the Dictionary of National Biography. Regarded as a pioneer of women's professional academic status, her portrait today adorns the entrance foyer of the College Library.

Her scholarly output was considerable. From 1870 she edited works for the Early English Text, Camden and New Shakespeare societies, notably in 1872 when she edited *The Maire of Bristowe [h]is Kalendar by Robert Ricart, Town Clerk of Bristol 18 Edward 1V* for the Camden Society (ultimately forming volume five of their New Series) and in 1879 when she oversaw the second

edition of C. Mansfield Ingleby 's Shakespeares Century of prayse 1591-1693.

Her most important work of this period is often considered to be that associated with the York cycle of Mystery Plays. In 1885 Oxford University Press published her York Plays: the plays performed by the Crafts or Mysteries of York on the day of Corpus Christi in the 14<sup>h</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>h</sup> centuries.

Her researches seem at this time to have concentrated on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> centuries, for in addition to editing *Expedition to Prussia and the Holy Land by Henry Earl of Derby (later Henry IV) in 1390-1 and 1392-3*, in 1886 she published *A commonplace book of the 15<sup>th</sup> century* dealing with the Book of Brome in Yale MS 365. In 1891 she translated J. Jusserand's *English 14th century Wayfaring Life in the Middle Ages* from the French. She had already edited in 1889 *Les contes moralises de Nicole Bozon* jointly with P. Meyer.

In 1887 she provided the Introduction and scholarly glosses to Toulmin Smith's *The Guildry of Edinburgh* and in 1894 she returned to this subject, editing jointly with Lucy Bretano *English Gilds: the original ordinances of more than one hundred Early English Gilds* for the Early English Text Society.

Her full edition of Leland's *Itinerary* in five volumes appeared towards the end of her life and its completion in 1910 is undoubtedly the work for which she is now mainly remembered. The present *Lelands Itinerary in Wales* <sup>7</sup> appeared in 1906 and consists of her collation of some of the Welsh material in the *Collecteana* and the entirety of the Welsh sections of the *Itinerary*.

## J. Gwenogfryn Evans 's footnotes

An anonymous reviewer, writing in *Archaeologia Cambrensis* <sup>8</sup> in 1907, described the work as a 'happy idea' but regretted that by no means all of the notices of the Principality contained in the *Collectanea* had been included. Nevertheless, he



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continued, the book would prove almost indispensable to the Welsh antiquary. However, he deplored the lack of attention paid to the identification of Leland's topographical forms, being particularly scathing in his condemnation of the footnotes provided by the palaeographer J. Gwenogfryn Evans, attempting to elucidate the placenames recorded by Leland. Evans was not a particularly inspired placename expert, and too many of his notes state the obvious, as where he identifies Leland's 'Place Newith' as *Plas Newydd*. The reviewer rather cynically surmised that this was merely an excuse for Evans to air his predilection for the use of

a barred -d for -dd, well known from his other publications. Equally dubious, in the reviewer's opinion, were his spelling of Mawddwy as Mowddwy<sup>10</sup> and Gwyrfai as Gwrvei. <sup>11</sup> Again, he asked, where was Evans's form Tre y grug for the castle of Trergrug<sup>12</sup> two miles from Usk, ever attested anywhere?

<sup>5</sup> As *The Itinerary of John Leland the Antiquary* 9 vols. Oxford 1710. In this edition, Hearne noted another work by Leland entitled *Codrus sive laus et defensio Gallofridi Arturii Monumet ensis contra Polydorum Vergilium*, being a defence of Geoffrey of Monmouth and his Arthurian cycle against the attacks of Poldore Vergil.

<sup>6</sup> Details from Concise Dictionary of National Biography 1901-1950 Part II Oxford 1961 p.401

<sup>7</sup> Published by George Bell and Sons, London

<sup>8</sup> Volume vii series vi pp.254-5

<sup>9</sup> At p.35 (o riginal numbering), current p.40

<sup>10</sup> At p.55 (original numbering), current p.55

<sup>11</sup> At p.79 (original numbering), current p.74

<sup>12</sup> At p.44 (original numbering), current p.47

If the notes provided were poor, the absence of others, even where they were often really necessary, was worse still. Leland's reference to 'Port Hoygr by Holihead in Anglesey', for instance, went unidentified as Porth Wygyr 'on the northern coast'. <sup>13</sup> Elsewhere, it was pointed out, Leland's *Lug Harneis* <sup>14</sup> was more commonly know n as *Leigh Harnes*. Again, the river *Wenbro* <sup>15</sup> which Leland has flowing through Wrexham, lacked any note identifying it as the *Gwenfro*, and the nearby seat of the Pulestons, called by Leland *Marsche*, <sup>16</sup> was really *Berse*.

One can only echo the opinion of the reviewer that it would have been far better for Lucy Toulmin Smith to have secured the services of Egerton Phillimore, who might have been expected to provide a gloss on Leland which, like his notes to Owen's *Pembrokeshire*, would indeed have been 'the admiration and the despair of every Welsh antiquary'.

## Note on the present reprint

No attempt has been made to preserve the pagination of the original 1906 edition. Instead, page numbers from that edition are indicated between solidus (/) symbols in the text at the point where they change. Evans's footnotes have been retained as they must now be considered part of the work, but where not obviously correct they should always be treated with caution.

In reviewing Glanmor Williams's *The Welsh Church from Conquest to Reformation* in 1964, the late Prof. A. H. Dodd praised the fact that the footnotes were 'mercifully put where they belong, not tucked away at the end'. For this reason, as well as to retain the appearance of the original, no attempt as been made to relocate the apparatus of footnotes to the end of the book, despite the advantages of space and layout this might have allowed.

The present writer felt unable to undertake the revision of all the placename notes, but in collaboration with Mrs Ann Benwell of Menai Bridge, offers a synopsis of expert opinion on the problematical ones occurring in the Anglesey section, in the form of a set of endnotes.

It should be remembered that all footnotes to this introduction are the responsibility of the present writer, while all footnotes to the preface and to the transcriptions from Leland, are by L.T.S or J.G.E. *unless* in [] brackets and marked *Ed.*, when they also have been added by the present writer.

The cover shows an early map of Wales published a few decades after Leland's travels through the principality.

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13 We should feel fairly confident today in going further and completing the identification with Cemais.

14 At p.41 (original numbering), current p.45

15 At p.70 (original numbering), current p.67

16 At p.70 (original numbering), current p.67

17 A.H. Dodd in Arch. Camb. vol..cxiii 1964 p.194

# THE ITINERARY IN WALES

OF

JOHN LELAND

IN OR ABOUT THE YEARS

1536-1539

EXTRACTED FROM HIS MSS.

ARRANGED AND EDITED

BY

LUCY TOULMIN SMITH



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Title page of the 1906 Edition of this work

#### /v/PREFACE

In the course of preparing a new edition of Leland's *Itinerary through England and Wales*, the scattered portions relating to Wales having been brought together, it has been suggested that these now possess a certain unity and interest which would justify the issue of the Part on Wales as a separate volume. <sup>18</sup>As a man of learning and of indefatigable industry in the collection of information and notes during his travels through the realm, journeys which occupied him about six years, John Leland has always held weight as the earliest of our local antiquarians, and there are few topographers who have not consulted his pages or felt the influence of the impetus given by his patriotic labours. To the Welshman no less than the Englishman the description of local details nearly four centuries ago concerning places known to him, however trivial, proves of keen historic and often of personal interest.

John Leland, born in London in 1506 was educated at St. Paul's School and at Christ's College, Cambridge; he also studied at Oxford and Paris, becoming a practised scholar and linguist. He took holy orders before 1525, but was an absentee from the benefices to which he was later presented. Before 1530 he was Library Keeper to King Henry VIII, and three years later was made the "King's Antiquary" while prosecuting his varied schemes of learning. He is best known by the record of his notes and descriptions of England and Wales, called by John Stow /vi/ Commentaria Angliae, but christened Itinerarye of John Leland by Thomas Burton (1598), which name it has since borne.

He read the 'historiographes', and local chronicles in monasteries, gaining information from many sources, same probably official, as he went along. This is evident from the way in which he describes the boundaries of hundreds, lordships and commotes, from his lists of bridges, priories, owners of property, and other incidents in the counties, and from his regular attempts at tracing the courses of rivers. And sometimes it appears, judging from the repetitions, and other indications, that he made some of these lists before journeying in the counties to which they refer. The continuity of his narrative is therefore not definite; and it has been further injured by loss of parts of the original manuscript, and the shifting of other parts or pages in consequence of damp and decay before it was bound. John Leland died in 1552, before he had put his description of England and Wales fully into shape. His manuscript collection went through various hands, and was copied in 1576 by John Stow, the London antiquary, while it was still almost entire, to which fact we owe the preservation of three 'books' which were afterwards lost, as well as of portions injured by decay. Besides the *Itinerary* in quarto volumes, some few portions of Leland's

18 The contents of the present volume were printed by Thomas Heame in his editions of the *Itinerary* (2nd ed. 1744(vols. iv, v, vii), and of the *Collectanea* (2nd ed. 1774, vol. iv). See notes to pages 1,9,38,127, 128. The part relating to Glamorgan shire was reprinted by James A. Corbet in his edition of Rice Merrick's *Book of Glamorganshire Antiquities* London, 1887.

Collectanea - four folio volumes containing a mass of notes and extracts, - may have been intended for use in the work; the extracts on the following pages 125 to 134, which fill up considerable omissions as to Wales, are from this source. These two original manuscripts by Leland and the copy by Stow (Tanner 464) are all now in the Bodleian Library, Oxford. 19

The presence amidst the Welsh matter in several places of pages relating to English counties bordering on Wales seems to indicate two things, that Leland entered the country through one or perhaps two of these counties - /vii/Gloucestershire in the south, Cheshire in the north - and left it through Montgomeryshire, all very probable; and that he travelled through those parts which had belonged to the Welsh marches. Some of these pages, e.g. 99-104, and 65-67 treating of Gloucester, Hereford, and Shropshire, appear to have nothing to do with either of these points of view, but as those counties were actually under the jurisdiction of the Court of the Council of the Marches of Wales no doubt Leland took them together. He lived in stirring times: the Reformation and the attacks upon church property were progressing, the Valor Ecclesiasticus was made in 153435, the Acts for the suppression of monasteries were passed in 1536 and 1539 - sometimes he mentions an abbey or a monastery as suppressed. In 1535-36 was passed the important Act (27 Hen. VIII, cap. 26) "for lawes and justice to be ministred in Wales in like fourme as it is in this realme," by which the country was united to England, and the lordships forming the marches were distributed, partly constituting five new Welsh shires, partly added to those existing and to the English border shires. The new counties were Monmouth, Brecknock, Radnor, Montgomery, and Denbigh; Flint received additions in 1541 (33 Hen. VIII, cap. 13), the result was thirteen Welsh counties. The old shires of North Wales, viz., Anglesey, Carnarvon, and Merioneth (Venedotia) whose customs were to remain as before, formed the exemplar for five of the others.

The new order of things is reflected in some of Leland's pages. He refers to "the new Act": "Clun was a lordship marched by itself" (p.53); "it apperithe in the Acte what lordshipps be adjoynid to the v new shires," while showing that Cherbury is now "adjecte" to Shropshire (p.54); gives a reason why Llanstephan was "adject" to Pembrokeshire (p.62), referring to the "old limites" of the same (p.63) and the position of Llan Dewi Brevi before the Act (p.123). A comparison of the sections of the Act apportioning the lordships, hundreds, and commotes, with Leland's pages treating of the respective counties gives a fuller meaning to his details as to the transfer of certain lordships from one owner to another, e.g., pp.55, 66, or of the boundaries and extent of numerous lordships which he can hardly have seen personally. The suggestion arises that he was at times / viii/furnished with official papers, and that he had access to local

<sup>19</sup> From notes in the Harleian MS. 6266 in the British Museum we learn that Stow's copy was in 1657 "in ye custody of Mr Robt. Vaughan of Hengwrt in Merioneth." Among the Hengwrt MSS. Dr. J. G. Evans recently turned over a parcel which on examination I found to be a transcript, much of it in Vaughan's own hand, made of the whole of Stowe's copy of Leland's *Itinerary*. This is now known as Peniarth MS. 273, parts 1, 2.

records, "extents," and other similar documents like those upon which the Act must have been founded, the returns for which would be fresh in the memory of many. One of these was the interesting early list of Cantrefs <sup>20</sup> and commotes, which he copied himself and inserted among other notes on Wales (here printed at the beginning, p.5). This conjecture is strengthened by a study of the extract printed in Appendix B concerning Anglesey. Here is a rough list of "head parish churches" or rectories with their dependent chapelries throughout that island county, with a list parallel to it giving the principal geographical features, both written by a copyist (perhaps Welsh), though annotated by Leland. The list of churches and chapels corresponds so nearly to the groups of churches with their chapels, in the three deaneries of Anglesey, which were returned in 1535 for the survey of *Valor Ecclesiasticus* as to furnish an interesting parallel to the portion of that record, while by the divergences which occur, the two documents may correct one another. <sup>21</sup>

Leland is believed to have made his journeys in or about the years between 1536 and 1543; the references to the "New Act" of 21 Hen. VIII prove that his travels in Wales did not begin before that year, and may have been rather later, to which supposition the mention of Cherbury priory as "lately suppressed" (p.40) adds force; and that his journeys in North Wales at least took place before 1541 is indicated by his description of Flintshire as lying north of Molesdale (p.73), a district which was added to Flintshire by the Act of that year, And as in mentioning other suppressed houses he speaks of the great abbey of Wigmore without alluding to its suppression (p.48) which would be under the Act of 1539, we have here a further limit of date, ix/so that the Welsh journeys may be fairly placed as having been made between 1536 and 1539. It is difficult to say whether he took the whole of Wales in one journey or in several; the sequence of notes and narrative is so broken that it is impossible to think that he actually saw all or even most of the places of which he writes, except on the faith of his assertion in the New Year's letter written by him to the King in 1545. 2 It seems however probable, after endeavouring to trace his route upon the map, that he entered Wales from two points, the one from Gloucestershire, crossing Sevem by Austferry, the other from Shrewsbury; while he may also have come from Chester across the Dee after he had been round the Wirral.

20 A cantref or hundred was a division of the county, and contained two, three, or more commotes. Leland, who frequently describes these districts, seems to have mistaken the commote for a hundred (see pp. 79, 82, 83), yet in the *Contents of Môn* (perhaps written later) he explains "comot, i.e. quarta pars cantaredi" (p.129, col.1). Pughe's *Welsh Dictionary*, 1832, gives two commotes to a cantref, so also the note to the word in Act 27, Hen. VIII, cap. 21 Record edition of Statutes. The ancient list gives various num bers.

I offer this map with diffidence, from the difficulty and uncertainty of truly tracing Leland's route, in the hope that a tentative sketch may help to the understanding of his scheme. Regarding many places he states facts which point out his journey; of others the descriptions induce belief that he was there, but full coherence is wanting; so that out of the repetition of notes and narrative I have pieced together what appear the personal and quite possible lines of travel. He may have seen all the small islands, I do not feel sure he was in Anglesey himself. The Table of Counties and the Index may also help in this connection. I add an Index of Families and Owners.<sup>23</sup>

The text has been collated with the original, and where this is missing with Stow's copy; missing words and letters within [] are supplied from Stow and a few words within [] in *italic* are inserted from a copy (Bodl. Gough, Gen. Top. 2) made by Thomas Burton in 1628, who then possessed the originals. Burton made up the eighth volume of Leland's MS. from leaves which had dropped out from some quires of the other volumes (see after p.23 note). The footnotes within brackets are mine, the identifications with occasional remarks thereto I owe to the kindness of Dr. J. Gwynogfryn/x/Evans. It should be noted that the Englishman found the pronunciation and spelling of Welsh names in Tudor times pretty difficult; and though for the most part Leland's spellings agree with those of the Valor and of the Act 27 Hen. VIII, cap. 26, occasionally he is the more correct.

A few words are demanded by Appendix B. What is the meaning of the word Rent placed before the names of some of the churches, and why is it not before others? Hearne prints it as it is without explanation. Comparison with the Valor shows that it certainly is the equivalent of what is there called *Rectoria*, and two scholars for whom I have the highest respect consider that Rent must be a mis-copying of Rect., especially as no sums of money are given in Leland's document. But the copyist apparently knew what he was about, he uses other Latin words correctly, and in one instance he contracts the word thus, RA (where the stroke means n) showing that he intended to write Rent. I venture on the following explanation: Rhent or rent in Pughe's Welsh Dictionary (1831) signifies an income, produce, and the senses given to the verb *rhentu* show that it stands for money or value coming in. *Rectoria*, *i.e*, rectory or benefice, meant legally a parish church with all its sources of income;<sup>24</sup> the chapel or chapels, built as necessity arose in the large parishes of old (Welsh or English), owed regular dues or oblations to the mother church which formed part of its revenue. 25 The object of the Valor Ecclesiasticus being to ascertain (among other things) the standing value of each parish, it was there given under each Rectoria, the dependent chapels being grouped beneath. The Welsh draft relating to the parishes in Anglesey prefixed the familiar word Rent to each head church in order to indicate it as

<sup>21</sup> As to Appendix B see further, p. x.

<sup>22 &</sup>quot;Yn yowr dominions ... there is almoste nother cape nor bay, haven, creek or peere, river or confluence of rivers, breches, waschis, lakes, meres, fenny waters, montaynes, valleis, mores, hethes, forestes, chases, wooddes, cities, burges, castelles, principale manor placis, monasteries and colleges, but I have seene them." *Itinerary*, Hearne's 2nd edition, 1744, vol.i, p. xxii.)

<sup>23 [</sup>This Index refers to page numbers in the 1906 Edition. Ed.]

<sup>24 &</sup>quot;Rectorin, pro integra ecclesia parochiali cum omnibus suis juribus, praediis decimis aliisque proventuum speciebus." (Spelman's Glossary).

<sup>25</sup> See White Kennett's Parochial Antiquities, ed. 1695, pp. 594 - 598.

the one which received the income of the parish, the mother church; the other churches or chapels, except those specially appropriated and the few free chapels, being subordinate or "annexed"; and that Leland understood it so is proved by his note (p.134), although his reckoning of 30 such churches is wrong and Mr. Griffith's number of 31 is actually given

In our list the parish church is also followed by its chapel /xi/or chapels, thus Rent LIanvair PwllGwyngyll cum Llan Dysilio, Rent Llanidan cum capellis Llan Deiniol vab, Llan Edwen, and Llanvair y cwmmwd, and so on. The groups themselves are not in the same order as in the Valor. In certain cases the items differ: thus, Rectory Aberfraw in the record has no annexed chapel, but this list gives it Capell Mair, Tal y Llyn (p.130), which is assigned by the Valor to Rectory Llan Dyvrydog (p.133); Llan Allgo (p.133) is the chapel to Rectory Llan Eigrad in the Valor, reversing their rank; the parts of Llan Jestyn, which, according to the Valor (vol. iv, p.418), comprised Llan Ewida and Tynsilio are apparently scattered in this list, the one as Rent L1. Gwrda, the other as L1.Vihangel y Tinsiloy (Din Silwy, p.133, p.134). The group of churches belonging to the priory of Penmon (two less than in the Valor) viz., St. Katerine Llanvaes, Rent L1. Dona (not a Rectory in the Valor), Penrhos Llugwy and Bodewryd, are not here placed together. These and a few other divergences may indicate that the list is previous to the Valor and perhaps not faultless.

#### TABLE OF WELSH COUNTIES.

N.B. - The ancient list of Commotes in Wales, in a copy of the fourteenth century, and in Leland $\Rightarrow$  copy, occupies pp. 1-9.

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Comorrion	nn 79 00

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Denbigh, pp.69 - 72, 90, 93 - 99. Flint, pp.67 - 69, 72, 73, 92. Glamorgan, pp.15 - 38, 61, 127.

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## **ENGLISH COUNTIES** (CHIEFLY BORDERING ON WALES).

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/1/LELAND'S ITINERARY IN WALES &							
[FROM COTTON MS. DOMITIAN A VIII., FOS. 119-120 $V^{0.27}$ ]							
	Cantrest Tegyngell	Commod Consild. Commod Prestatun.	Wales.				
		Commod Syndela.	fo.119				
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		Comm. Llamerch. Comm. Estrad.					
Beruedwl	ade. Cantrest Rywynnaug.	Comm. Huethalet.					
		Comm. Isalet.					
	Cantrest Ros.	Comm. Huethe D ulas Comm. His dulas					
	Cantrest Ros.	Comm. Creudyn.					
		/2/ Comm. Estradelun					
***	Cantrest Uston	Comm. Hobeu					
Wales.	douer doe.	Comm. Yael.					
		Comm. Merfort					
	Cantrest Maylor.	Comm. Unknan.					
		Comm. Maelaur-Saysneg					
		Comm. Trefwern.					
Powis Ma	docc Cantrest [Trevonnen]	Comm. Croeshoswold.					
		Comm. Treuduon.					
		Comm. Vehendee.					

26 Into this Part the notes on Wales are brought together, *first*, the lists of Commotes, see next note; *second* pages 9-12, 53-57, preserved by Stow, vol. v, fos. 115-118 (Hearne, vii, 14-18); *third*, pages 12-38, Hearne, iv, 31-55 (Leland's MS, Gen. Top. E 11, vol. iv., fos. 51-77 [Stow, vol. i., fos. 48-59, old numbering]), relating to Monmouth and Glamorganshires; these are followed by the body of Hearne's print, vol. v (MS. Vol. v Gen. Top E 12), the first eighty-four pages of which are chiefly concerned with Wales. See after, pp. 38-126. The identifications of place-names in this Part are kindly supplied by Dr. J. Gwenogfryn Evans. Two appendices contain extracts from Leland's *Collectanea*. For a table of scattered pages on each county see before, p. vi.]

Comm. Kynlleith

Comm. Huchraedre.

Cantrest.

			Comm. Dynnael.	
	Cantrest.		Comm. Edeyrnaun.	
			Comm. Glindeuerdoe.	
	Cantrest Alrosely		Comm. Huchcoede.	
			Comm. Hiscoede.	
			Comm. Hisraedre.	
	Cantrest.		Comm. Sendort.	
			Comm. Lanherch hudul.	
Powis-			Comm. Meycheyn.	
Menonwyn	Cantrest		Comm. Estrad Marchel.	
			Comm. Kereynaun.	
	Cantrest.		Comm. Huchaues.	
			Comm. Hisaues.	
	Cantrest.		Comm. Keueylaug.	
			Comm. [Madoc.]	
.119vo	Cantref Aberfrau		Comm. Huch Lywan.	
			Comm. Hislywan.	
Mon.	Cantref		Comm. Turkelyn.	
			Comm.Talebolleen.	
	Cantref.		Comm. Dindaethue.	
			Comm. Meneie.	
	Cantref Arlechwet		Comm. Huchaf.	
			Comm. Hisaf.	
Snaudon	Cantref Dynody.		Comm. Eydonyd.	
			Comm. Ardudue.	
	Cantref Meyronit.		Comm. Estimanneirus.	
			Comm. Titlebont. <sup>29</sup>	
		/3/	Comm. Ermayn.	
	Cantref Lleyn		Comm. Dinllaen.	
			Comm. Gauelogyon.	
			Comm. Huch meloch.	
Snaudon	Cantref Penlyn.		Comm. His meloch.	
			Comm. Nanconoe.	
			Comm. Huchgurwey.	
	Cantref Aruon.		Comm. Hisgurwey.	
	~ .30		Comm. Guerthruneant.	

Cantref 30

fo.

Comm. Kery.

Comm. Soededugre.

Wales

<sup>27</sup> These lists occupy two leaves in Leland's MS. V., fos. 16 and 17., but they have been reversed in binding. Stow copies them correctly. The same lists with various spellings are found in one of the Cotton MSS., Domitian A viii., in the British Museum, which being written about 1400, is older than Leland, and may have been copied by or for him. Burton omits these lists altogether. As the lists are of value to Welsh students and have some variations, both copies are printed here, *first*, that from the Cotton MS., corrected by Dr. Evans, *second* Leland's copy, with the corrections by Sir John Price on that MS.

<sup>28</sup> Clwyd written over Clud in Dom. A viii, fo. 119.

<sup>29</sup> The scribe confuses u and n, c, t and r, also e and o J.G.E.

<sup>30</sup> The scribe has a flourish at the end of his final f which makes it sometimes into ft and later into something more than f. Read *Cantrrev* throughout. J.G.E.

		Cantref Melenyd.		Comm. Soedineithon. Comm. Soedriwalt.			Cantref Henlyn.		Comm. Huch cuch. Comm. His cuch.	
	ung goe a auren	Cantref Elvael.		Comm. Huch uenit. Comm. His Meny t. Comm. Dyfrynt sedat. Comm. Loethifnuc.			Cantref Guentha.		Comm. Deilis a Penyn Comm. Estholoef. Comm. Talegarne. Comm. Amgoet. Comm. Plunynaug.	
		Cantref Penwedith.		Comm. Comm. Comm. Comm.			Cantref.		Comm. Ebelfre. Comm. Llauhuadeyn. Comm. Castel Guys. Comm. Coedraht.	
K	eredigeaun	Cantref.		Comm.			Cantref Penure.		Comm. Maenaur birr.	
		Cantref.		Comm. Pennart. Comm. Mabwy[nyon]		Deneta.	C ( CP		Comm. Penuro. Comm. Hauerforde.	
		Cantref.		Comm Caer Wedraus. Comm. Guynyenu. [Comm. Hiscoed. 31]			Cantref Ros.		Comm. Castele Wallmey. Comm. Castel Garn. Comm. Munwe.	
		Cantref Bachan.		Comm. Hiscoed. J Comm. Hyrurgyn. Comm. Perueth.	fo. 120		Cantref Penbidiaug		Comm. Penkaer. Comm. Rongveth a Tawe.	
				Comm. Hiskennen. Comm. Goer.		fo.120.v °.	Cantref Goruenith		Comm. Tir hundred. Comm. Rong neth ac Auan.	
Es	stratewy	Cantref.		Comm. Kedwely. Comm. Carnwatllaun. Comm. Mallaen.					Comm. Tir yaril. Comm. Coytif. Meanaur Glyn Ogour.	
				Comm. Cayau. Comm. Maenaur theylu [Teilaw] Comm. Ketheynauge.			Cantref Penychan.	/5/	Comm. Meyskyn Comm. Glyn Rodeney. Comm. Meanaur Taluan	Wales
Wales			/4/	Comm. Mabeluye.			Cantier renyenan.		Comm. Meanur Ruthyn.	
Es	stratewy	Cantref Vaur		Comm. Mabudrid. Comm. Withigada. Comm. Cantre selif.					Comm. Yrr heid. Comm. Peruet. Comm. Edelegon.	
		Cantref Selif		Comm. Counod. Comm. Talgarith.		Morgannok.	Cantref Gwenloge.		Comm. Heithaf. Comm. Menyth.	
Bi	reheienauc.	Cantref Talgarith.		Comm. Estradewy. Comm. Crughowel. Comm. Llowel					Comm. Senghenethhuch. Comm. Hiscoed. Comm. Huchoedwe[nt].	
		Cantref Theudo.		Comm. Tirreaulf. Comm. Egluschyiel.			Cantref Guent.		Meanur Trefcrug. Comm. Lebynyt.	
		Cantref Kemeys.		Comm. Huch neuer. Comm. His neuer.			Cantref Guent.		Comm. Huchcoed. Comm. Menyth.	
31	Mostly cut off						Cantref Ergyn.		Comm. Teirtref.	

	Cantref Goch.				Cantrest.	Com. Huchanes. Com. Ishanes.	
	[LELAND'S COPY OF TH			Cantrest <sub>MS</sub> .	Com. Keueilang.		
			MS. vol.v.,fo.16		vol.v., fo.	Com. Madoc.	
		Commod Consild.			Cantref Aber-	Com. huch Lywan	
	Cantred Tetingel	Commod Prestatum.			fraw	Com. Islywan.	
		Commod Syndela.		Mone	Cantrest.	Com. Turkelin.	
		Com. Coleyan				Com.Talebolleen.	
	Cantrest Diffrin Clud	Com. Ricihyn			Cantrefe.	Com. Dinerdaethne.	
		Com. Llamerth.			~	Com. Meney.	
	a	Com. Estrad.			Cantref Arle-	Com. Huchaf.	
Beruedwlade.	Cantrest Riwinnaug.				chwet	Com. Hisaf.	
		Com. Huethalet.		Snawdune	Cantref Dynody.	Com. Eydonid.	
		Com. Isalet.				Com. Ardudue.	
	Contract Des	Com. Hueth dulas			Cantref Mey -	Com. Estimanueirus	
	Cantrest Ros.	Com. Is dulas.		/7 /	ronith.	Com. Talelbont. 33	Wales.
	16.1	Com. Creudin. Com.Estradelun.		/7/	Cantref Lleyn <sup>34</sup>	Com. Ermayn.	vvaics.
Wales.	/6/ Cantreth Uston douer doe.	Com. Hobeum.			Cantrel Lieyn	Com. Dinllaen. Com. Gauelogyon.	
	Cantieth Oston doder doe.			Snawdune		Com. Huch meloc	
		Com. yael. Com. Merfort		Shawdune	Cantref Penllin. 35	Com. His meloch. 36	
	Cantrest Maylor.	Com. Vnknan.			Cantrer i cinini.	Com. Nanconoe. 37	
	Cantrest Maylor.	Com. Mailor-Saysneg				Com. Huchgurwey.	
		Com. Treswery.			Cantref Auon. 38	Com. Hisgurwey. 39	
	Cantrest.	Com. Crohesoswold.			Cuntrel Huon.	Com. Guerchumeauc.	
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	Cantrest.	Com. Kinlleit.			Cantref Melenid.	Com. Soedimeithon.	
		Com. Huchraedre.				Com. Soedriwalt.	
		Com. Dynnael.		Rung goe a			
	Cantrest.	Com. Edey[r]naun.		Hauren		Com. Huchmenith.	
		Com. Glindeuerdo[e].			Cantref Eluael.	Com. Hismenith.	
	Cantrest alrosely.	Com. Huch coite. 32					
		Com. Hiscodoe.		33 First written Ti	tlebont.		
		Com. Hisraeder.		34 There are a few	corrections on this page in a later	hand, said to be that of Sir John Price of Br	econ,
	Cantrede.	Com. Sendort.				ywch maelor, (e) ismaelor, (f) Nanconoye,	(g) is
		Com. Llanherch hudul.			py follows most of these correction	ns.	
Powis-		Com. Meycheyn.		35 See note 16			
Menonwyn	Cantrest	Com. Estrad marchel.		36 See note 16			
		Com. Kereynaun.		37 See note 16			
<del></del>				38 See note 16			
32 First written Huc	hcodoe.			39 See note 16			

	Cantref Penwedith.	Com. Dyfrynsedat. Com. Loechifunt. Com. Com. Com. Com. Com.	Cantref.  Cantref Penryne.  Deneta.	Com. Ebelfre. Com. Llanhuadein. Com. castel Gnys. Com. Coedraht. Com. Maenar birt. Com. Penbro.
Cairdigeaun	C antref.	Com.	Deficia.	Com. Hauerford.
	Cantref.	Com. Penn arth. Com. Malwy.	Cantref Ros.	Com. castele Walluiey. Com. castel Garn.
	Cantref.	Com Caerwedraus. Com. Guynienun. Com. Hiscoed. Com. Hyrurgyn.	Cantref Pebidiaug	Com. Munwe. Com. Penkaer. Com. Rhungneth a Thawe. Com. Mirhundred.
	Cantref Vachan.	Com. Perueth. Com. Hiskenne[n]. Com. Goer.	Cantref Goruenith	Com. Rhungneth a Auan. Com. Miriarse. Com. Coitif.
Estratewy	Cantref.	Com. Kedewely. Com. Carnwatllan. Com. Mallaen. Com. Cayan. Com. Maenaurtheilum.	Cantref Penithan.	Com.[Meanaur Glyn Ogour.] 40 /9/ Com. Meyskyn Com. Glyn Rodeney. Com. Meana[u]rTalyuan Com. Meanur Ruthyn.
Wales.		Com. Ketheynangt.		Com. Yrtheid.
/8/Estratewy	Cantref Vaur	Com. Mabelnye. Com. Mabudride. Com. Withigada. Com. Cantre selif.	Cantref Ewein- loge. Morgannog.	Com. Peruet. Com. Edelegon Com. Hetthaf. Com. Mennith.
	Cantref selif	Com. Commod. Com. Talgarith.		Com. Sengheneth huch. Com. iscoed.
Breheienauc.	Cantref Talgarith.	Com. Estradewy. Com. Crughowel. Com. Llowel	Cantref Guent.	Com. Huchcoed wey. Meanar Trefcrug. Com. Leuynit
	Cantref Theudo.	Com. Tireraulf. Com. Egluschieil.	Cantref Guent.	Com. huchcoed. Com. Menith.
	Cantref Kemis.	Com. Huchneuer.		Com. Teirtref.
	Cantref Henllin.	Com. Hisneuer. Com. Huchcuth. Com. Hiscuth.	Cantref Ergyn. Cantref Goch.	
	Cantref Guentha.	Com. Deilis a penryn Com. Escholoef. Com. Talegarne. Com. Amgoeth. Com. Plumynanges.	40 MS. decayed, supplied from Cotton MS.	

Wales. (fo.18 blank) fo. 19 (not numbered)

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## MARKET TOWNES IN BRECKNAUCHSHIRE.41

Brenauch.

Stow, v. fo. 115. Brecknock shire.

#### /10/PRIORIES IN BREKNAUCHSHIRE.

Brechenauc Abbay a cell of monks a late longinge to Battaile.

Brecknockshire.
Stow's MS

BrecknockStow's MS

BrecknockStow's MS

Attere hille, in Walche cawlyd Menethe Cadair.

Stow's MS vol. v. fo.115 (old fig.).

CASTLES IN BREKNAUCSHIRE.

Brechenauc.

Penkelthe, caput Corileti. [Pengelli.]

Dinas.

## RIVERS IN BREKENAUCSHIRE.

Loke how far Wisch<sup>42</sup> runnithe in this shire.

Hodeney.43

Lleueney <sup>44</sup> risith in Atterel hills. Thens into Brechenauc mere, cawllid in Walche Llin Seuathan. Thens into Wy about Glesbiri, the whiche is a 3 miles from the Hay.

## RADENORSHIRE.

Radnor-shire. New Radnor towne hathe be metly well wallyd, and in the walle appere the ruines of iiii. gates. There is an olde churche stondynge now as a chapell by the castle. Not very farre thens is the new paroche churche buildyd by one William Bachefeld and Flory his wyfe.

There goithe by the towne, as I remember, a broket cawlyd Somergil.

The buildynge of the towne in some parte meatly good, in moste part but rude, many howsys beinge thakyd. The castle is in ruine, but that a pece of the gate was a late amendyd. The towne was defacyd in Henry the fowrthe dayes by Owen Glindowr.

Stow, v. Presteine, in Walche caullyd Llanandre, <sup>45</sup> is a very good market of corne, to the whiche very many folks of Melennith resorte to by corne, and bysyde this is no notable buildynge in the lordshipe of Presteine. The toune is waterid with Lug r enninge by it.

Knightton, in Walche caullid Trebuclo, <sup>46</sup> is a praty towne/11/ after the Walsche buildinge. The river of Teme goith on the side of the toune, and (as I remembar) I saw a ryver in the other syde.

Radnor-shire

In Hye Eluelde <sup>47</sup> lordshipe within 2. miles west of Radenor is no market toune. The ruines of the castle of Colewine standithe in Hye Eluel, and is a 3. mils from Wy banke.

Wy River in cowrse first cummithe to Aberhedon, <sup>48</sup> then toward Payne and Colewine.

In Low Eluel be 2. lordshippis, Abrehedon Castel the Kyng's hard by Wy. Paynes Castle about a 2. miles from Wy banke.

Thus in bothe Elueldes be 3. lordships.

Low Eluelde endithe in Wy banke right agayne Clifford on the other banke of Wy.

Northton lordship a membar of Radenor. At Northton selfe is a litlepilet or turret.

In Melennith apere greate ruines of 2. castles. The one is cawllid Tynbot, set on a stepe crage a 3. miles from the abbey of Comehire, the whiche is also in Melennith. The othar is caulyd Keuenlles on the ryver of ...., now downe; it longyd to the Duke of Yorke. Rayader lordshipe longyd to the Duke of Yorke, it hathe nothar market towne, nor castle (as far as I cowld know). This Rayder is countyd as a member of the lordshipe of Radenor.

Rayder, Comothuder and Wartreman liethe foote to foote.

#### POWYSLANDE, MOUNTGOMERIKSHIRE.

Montgomeryshire

Montgomerike, in Walche Treualduine, standithe a mile from Severn banke, and is servid with small rills cominge frome the hills hard by. The

banke, and is servid with small rills cominge frome the hills hard by. The soyle of the ground of the towne is on mayne slaty roke, and especially the parte of the towne hillinge toward the castell, now alate reedified, whereby hathe bene a parke. Great ruines of the waulle yet apere *ad vestigia* of iiii. gates thus cawlyd, Kedewen Gate, Chyrbyry Gate, Arturs Gate, Kery Gate. In the waulls yet remayne broken towrets, of the wiche the whit towre is now moste notable. One paroche churche in Mountgomerike. There liethe a good plentifull valley by the towne of corne and grace.

/12/Newton, v. mile from Montgomerike, is meately welle buildyd after the Walche fascion.

Llanindelas <sup>50</sup> xiii. miles by west Montgomery. There is a broke goinge into Severne not halfe a mile of. Llanidelas is about a iiii. mils from the hede of Severne.

Mahenthle<sup>51</sup> the second towne of Mongomerikeshire, and there ons a yere session to be kep te, a xvi. Walche miles from Montgomeri.

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<sup>41</sup> The following pages 10 - 12, 8 and p.53, 1. 20 to p.65, treating of the counties from Brecon to Pembrokeshire (ending "3 miles from Tunge"), are found in Stow near the beginning of his copy of Leland's vol. vii. They occur between the notes on Bedford and Worcestershires and those on Shropshire, and that this was the order in Leland's original quire is proved by the appearance of the leaves. In Leland's vol. vii., fos 7 - 31 are missing; fos. 22 - 31 of his vol, v, not only fit ten of the missing fos in figuring and in order of subject according to Stow, but the marks left by damp upon these leaves exactly match those upon fo. 32 and subsequent leaves in vol. vii. They were evidently placed in vol. v. when the manuscript was bound, perhaps to bring the Welsh notes together. These ten fos. 22 - 31 were thus printed by Hearne in his vol. v. pp 19 - 29 (here pp. 59 - 67; they treat of the counties Carmarthen, Pembroke and Shropshire). But, though he was then using Stow, Hearne only printed the previous notes on the counties Brecon to Cardigan (part of the lost fos, 7-21) when he reached vol. vii (pp. 14 - 18). The references to fos. by Hearne and his editor in this confusing part are wrong. Stow apparently did not copy the passages from "Corbet of Morton Corbet" to "Chorleton of Wombridge unc [le to ] ... ", pp. 65 - 67. In the present edition the sentences on Montgomeryshire, pp. 11, 12, have by an oversight been transposed from their right place on p.53

<sup>42</sup> Wysc.

<sup>43</sup> Hodni, corrupted into Hondu.

<sup>44</sup> Llyvni

<sup>45</sup> Llan Andras.

<sup>46</sup> Trev y clawd.

<sup>47</sup> Elvel

<sup>48</sup> Aber Hodni.

<sup>49</sup> Trevaldwyn.

<sup>50</sup> Llanidloes

## WENTLLUGH [IN MONMOUTH].

fo.51. Monmouthshire <sup>52</sup> Wentllug<sup>53</sup> is devidid from Ventissa by este with the ryver of Wiske, by south with the Severn Se, by west with the ryver of Remny to the very hedde of it, and toward the north northe est lye the hilles of High Wenteland.

The length of Wentllugh<sup>54</sup> is from the Sevem Se to the hed of the lordship of Meridith, that is to say from south to northe about a xx, mile.

Where it is most brodest from est to west it is not countid by estimation above 8. miles, and in diverse places lesse.

The soile by south toward Severn is sumwhat low and fulle of dikes to drene it.

Ther is lightly great plenty of benes, and in divers [places <sup>55</sup>] it berith al other maner of corne.

And this low ground is from the causey or high-way that goit from Newport to Pont Remny by south to the Severne Se. The north side of the same high-way is stille higher and higher to the northe.

Parke Bahan, Little Park. There is very little wood yn this low part of Wentllughe, except at Parke Bahan<sup>56</sup> 3. miles out of New port, thorough the which the high-way lyith to Cairdif.

Castelle Behan<sup>57</sup> is a litle without the south side of this park, and is in ruine. It longid to the Duke of Bukkingham.

This park has nother dere nor pale now, it is the Kinges by the lordship of Newport; and at Tredegar, wher Mr. William Morgan, a man of 300. markes of landes by yere Monmouth/13/hath a very faire place of stone. It is a mile and a half from Neuporte south west on the hither este side of Ebouith<sup>58</sup> Ryver.

Such part of Wenllugh as lyith up toward Cairleon is well pastured and woddi.

Such part as lyith from Pont Remny along on the est ripe of Remny to Bedwes paroche vi. miles of by land ys much woddy, and in sum places bytwixt, as first in Llanuihengle paroche, and then in Maghen paroche joining to it is metely good corne. Ponte Remny is a 2. miles from the Severn Se. Ther is a village by it caullid Rumney in Englisch, in Walsch Tredelerch.

Thens on Remny ripe a mile upper is a fair valley caullid Diffrin Risca, going a 3. or 4. mile upward on the water, plentiful of wodde as it were a forest ground, myngelid with feldes, but having litle corne.

And from the hedde of this valley it is upward on Remny a 4. miles to Eggluis Tider uab Hohele, by rughe hilles and wilde valeis and plenty of wood. The hedde of Remney River is a 3. or 4. miles above this yn the hilles of High Wentelande.

Thens cumme many springes, and taking one botom the brooke is caullid Kayach, and thens going into Diffrin Risca it is augmented with Risca a brooke cumming ynto it oute of a

51 Machynlleth

paroche caullid Eggluis Ilan, and then doth it al bere the name of Risca. Eggluis Ilan is yn Singhenith<sup>59</sup> in Glamorganshir a 4. mile of from Diffrin Risca. And cumming to Bedwes paroche it is caullid Remny, and by the same name into the Severne Se.

In the midle ground bytwixt Remny and Ebouith Ryver on the north side of the high way to Pont Remny the ground for the most parte is hilly, better for catelle then corne. And there is a very high hille caullid Tuinbarlum.

The ryver of Ebouith<sup>60</sup> risith yn a flat north montayne of High Wencelande, and strait cummith into a valley caullid Diffrin Serowy.<sup>61</sup>

Ebowth goith into Wisk a mile and a half beneth Newport, and half a mile from the haven mouth of Wiske.

There is a bridge of tymbre over Ebowith caullid Pont Bessaleg a 2. miles above the Monmouth confluence of Ebowith and /14/Wisk: and over this bridg lyith the high-way from Newport to Cairtaphe. 62 This bridge is scant 2. miles from Newporte toun.

Newport is but 2. miles from Cairleon. From Neuport to the place wher Ebowith goith yn to Wisch Haven a good mile and a halfe. And then more then half a mile to the haven mouth.

The bridges of Cairleon and Newport be booth of wood.

From the haven mouth of Wisch to the mouth of Remny, wher no haven is or cumming yn meete for shippes, a vi. miles. On this shore is no very notable thing. The bankes of it be clyvid inough to defend the se for raging into the low ground of Wenceland.

Newport is a bigge towne, wherof that parte where the paroche chirch is stondith on a hille. The chirch is S. Guntle, <sup>63</sup> Olave in Englisch.

Ther is a great stone gate by the bridge at the este ende of the toun, a nother yn the midle of the town as in the High strete to passe thorough, and the 3. at the west end of the toune: and hard without it is the paroche chirch. The fairest of the toun is al yn one <sup>64</sup> streate. The toun is yn ruine. Ther was a house of religion by the key beneth the bridg. The castelle is on the este side of the toun above the bridge.

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## Gentilmen in Wenllugh.

Morgan the chifeste of landes hath a very fair place at Tredeger, and a nother in the toun of Newporte.

There is a nother of the Morgans a man of meane landes dwelling [at] Newport.

There is a nother of the Morgans dwelling by Remny at Maghen, <sup>65</sup> having a fair house. He had bene a man of fair landes, if his father had not devidid it partely to other of his sunnes.

John Morgan at Lampeder paroch in Low-Wenllugh.

<sup>52</sup> Applies to left-marginal annotation: Leland's MS. vol. iv., see before, p.1 note

<sup>53</sup> GwynllÄg

<sup>54</sup> Ditto

<sup>55</sup> Supplied by Hearne's editor, 2nd ed.

<sup>56</sup> Park Bychan

<sup>57</sup> Castell Bychan

<sup>58</sup> Ebbw

<sup>59</sup> Senghend

<sup>60</sup> Ebbw

<sup>61</sup> Sirhowy

<sup>62</sup> Cardiff

<sup>63</sup> Gunley in Bk. of Ll. Dav=Gwynlliw, now St. Woolas.

<sup>64</sup> Leland repeats 'in one' here by mistake

<sup>65</sup> Machen

Roger Kemmeis, a man of a xl. markes of landes by yere, dwellith in Newporte toune. /15/Henry Kemeis dwellith at Maisglase<sup>66</sup> 3. miles from Newport by weste, a man of meene.

Davy Kemmeys a man of 40. li. lande dwellith a mile above Pont Remny. Thomas Lewys dwellith at Mairin <sup>67</sup> a 2. miles from Severn-side.

## GLAMORGANSHIR.

Glade<sup>68</sup> is in the Walsch a countery or a land.

And this province or cuntery is often caullid Morganhog.

I take Moregan<sup>69</sup> to have the name of More, that is to say the se, onto the shore wherof it lyith.

The kefinnithes <sup>70</sup> (*confinia* <sup>71</sup>) of Glamorgan ly thus.

Remny is the marche on the est side of it.

Cremline a litle broke is the march of the west part of it.

The Severne Se boundith it from the mouth of Remny to the mouth of Cremlin.

The rootes of the Blake Mountein marchith it by northe.

From Pont Remny to the forde of Cremlin brooke, a mile from Swansey, is to the nerest way a 23. miles. Thus, a mile to [Cair]dif. To S. Nicolas village 4 m[iles.] To Cowbridge 4. miles. To Wenny Bridge, wher is a litle village, 4. miles. To Pont Newith on Ogor a mile. To Morgan Abbay 4. miles. To Britan Fery, caullid in Walsche Llanisauel, 72 wher be a 3. or 4. houses and a chapel of ease on the hither side of Nethe Ryver, 3. miles. The *trajectus* at the flude is more then half a quarter of a mile over. Then to the ford of Cremlin broke 2. miles.

To go thorough the midle of the countery as from est to west a 23. miles. From the ripe of Diffrin Risca to Taue <sup>73</sup> River, and there over Pont Erliesk, a great bridg of tymbre, 3. miles.

To Rotheney Vehan <sup>74</sup> water and over a bridge of /16/wood 3. miles. To Penrise village, wher the pilgrimage was, a mile. To Boullch Glauth <sup>75</sup> a great rokky hills 6. miles. To Glin Corrug <sup>76</sup> a paroch chirch 2. miles. To Aber Pergom a wild brooke 7. miles. This brok half a mile lower rennith into the est side of Tawy. This Tawy is heere a kefinith to [Glamorgan.] This way be many hilles, [woods good plentye] about the ryvers sydes: but few villages or corne except in a few smaule valeys.

The mountaines have sum redde dere, kiddes plenty, oxen, and shepe.

This way lyith by estimation a midle it to the Severn Se a 16. miles by south: and from the midle of this way agayn by north a 10. miles.

To go from est to west yn the highest part of Glamorganshir toward the rootes of the Blak Montayne is a xvi. miles of wild ground almost all. From the kefinnith yn Wenceland, that is at Kaedrain, 77 2. miles. From Castelle Morlleys 78 to a place caullid Hirwen (long whit 79) Urgan 80 where is, as in the lordship of Misken 81 in the paroch of Aberdayer, 82 a great race and bredth of horsis, 8. miles; al by high hilles, and a mile from Hirwen Urgan is the forest of Rigois 83 lordship 84 4. miles. To Ystrade Genles, 85 a lordeship in Cairmardineshir, 4. miles. This Genles a litle ryver is the kefinnith betwixt Cairmardin and Glamorganshir, and goith ynto Tawe, 86 as I hard, a 3. or 4. mile a this side Swansey in the est ripe. Istrad lordship is a x.miles from Swansey by north est by the Blak Mountayne.

## /17/COMMOTES IN GLAMORGANSHIR.

Kibworth<sup>87</sup> lyith, from the mouthe of Remny up to an hille in the same commote caullid Keven On, a 6. miles from the mouth of Remny. This hille goith as a waulle over-thwart betwix the rivers of Thaue<sup>88</sup> and Remny.

A 2. miles from this hille by south, and a 2. miles from Cairdif, be *vestigia* of a pile or maner place decayed at Egluis Newith in the paroch of Landaf.

In the south side of this hille was born Richard William alias Crumwelle yn the paroche of Llan Isen.

If Cairdif be not a commote in it self, it semith to be in Kibworth.

Kibworth goith by the shore from the mouth of Remny to the mouth of Taue a 2. miles and more. Splot a maner place longging to Baudrem, lyith from the mouth of Remny on the shore, and is taken as land holden of the Bisshop of Landaf, and resortith to the Bisshopes Court. So it is in the commote of Kibworth, but not of the Court of it.

Kibworth cummith from the mouth of Taue up stil by the est ripe of it a good half mile above Cairdif, and there Landaf commote taketh the est ripe, and so kepith on stil to above Landaph Bridge, and then Kibworth taketh the est ripe of Taue agayn, and so goith up to the hille of Keven On and ther is the kefinith of Kibworth.

Glamorgan

<sup>66</sup> Maes glâs

<sup>67</sup> Maerun, now Marshfield

<sup>68</sup> i.e. Gwlad

<sup>69</sup> Morcant-uc is the old form, and *Morcant* is a man's name: it has nothing to do with *mor* = sea. Mor-gen (sea-born) yields *Morien* as a proper name.

<sup>70</sup> Kyffinieu

<sup>71</sup> Leland wrote the gloss confinia over the Welsh word.

<sup>72</sup> Llan Sawyl

<sup>73</sup> Tav vulgo Taff

<sup>74</sup> Rhonda Vechan.

<sup>75</sup> Bwlch y Clawd. Over the *ll* in Boulleh Leland wrote *th*, over Glauth he wrote *dich* as a gloss.

<sup>76</sup> Glyn Corrwg

<sup>77</sup> Leland further notes in the margin, the corner of which is torn: "Kaedraine. The egg of thornes".

<sup>78</sup> Castell Morleis

<sup>79</sup> Written over Hirwen i.e. Hir Weun = Long Moor.

<sup>80</sup> Hirwen Wrgan ,Urgan, father to Istin, lorde sumtyme of Morgan.

<sup>81</sup> Misken, the King lordship.

<sup>82</sup> Aber Dâr

<sup>83</sup> In Rigois is sum good corne. This Rigois is in Glin .... ey lordship .... having no issue out of them

<sup>84</sup> Rhigos, a hamlet in Ystrad Dyvodwg.

<sup>85</sup> Ystrad Gynlais

<sup>86</sup> Tawe

<sup>87</sup> Kibwr

<sup>88</sup> Tâv

In Kibworth a plain soile, saving Keven On, is good rve, barly, and otes, but litle whete. The beste wood in Kibworth is in Keven On as it were a forest grounde, and Cairdif is partely servid thens with wood. Ther be medowes by Remny and Taue rivers in this commote.

#### Gentilmen in Kibworth.

John Guin Lewys half a mile above Remny Bridg a man of mene landes.

John Willyam a mene man a quarter of a mile above Cairdif on Taue.

Singhenith<sup>89</sup> of sum is devidid into Iskaihach, and Huhekaihach. <sup>90</sup>

fo. 57.

Iskaihac begennith on the west side of Remny by Keven On, and goith up a 6. mile by north est by Diffiin Risca /18/onto Kaihac. And on the est side of Taue from Keven Glamorgan On to ..... -shire.

In Iskaihac is Cair Filly Castelle sette emonge marisches, wher be ruinus waulles of a wonderful thiknes, and toure kept up for prisoners as to the chife holde of Singhenith. It is 3. miles north est from Landaf, and 2. miles from the est ripe of Taue.

Ther is within half a mile of Cairfilly by est a fair place caullid Vanne, wher Mr. Edward Lewys dwellith. Other gentilmen of any fame be not yn al Singhenet, saving David Richarde dwelling at Kelthle Care <sup>91</sup> in Huhkaihac, and Mathew ap Rise Vehan in Kelthle Care paroch also

Castelle Gogh<sup>92</sup> stondith on a high rok of a redde stone or soile a 2. miles from Landaf upper on Taue: a quarter of a mile from the est ripe of Taue.

Castelle Cough al yn ruine no bigge thing but high. It longith to the King and standith by Keven On.

Kaedrayne the hegge of

Huhkaihac streechith up on Taue by the est ripe from Kaihach to Morllays Castelle, and 2. miles upward by north north est to Kaedrayne, wher the kefinnith is betwixt High Wenceland.

Breknocshir and Huhkaihachparte of Singhenet.

Morelays Castelle<sup>93</sup> standith in a good valley for corn and grasse, and is on the ..... ripe of Morelais Brooke.

This castelle is in ruine and longith to the King.

Morlays riveret cummith by north est out of Brekenocshir hilles toward High-Wenceland. and so to Morelays Castelle, and about a myle lower in a paroche caullid Martyr<sup>94</sup> it goith into the est ripe of Taue (Martyr Teduil).

The commote of Landaf beginnith at the west side of the mouth of Taue, and so fo. 58. By south rennith up by the marschy shore on Severn to the mouthe of Ley 95 River, of sum yn Glamorgan Englisch caullid Ele. The mouthes of these 2, ryvers be about a mile a sundre. The -shire. Bishop's land in this commot is caullid Ter escop. %

This commote goith up apon the weste shore of Taue a quartre of a mile above Landaf Bridge to a place caullid Clauthe (Diche) Cunstable. 97 And this is a ii. miles from the mouth of Taue, and sumwhat more.

/19/Agayne the bridge of Landaf this commot goith over Taue, and kepith about Glamorgana mile of lenght on the est ripe.

And a this side Taue ther is a peace on Severn caullid Splot, as mention is made in Kibworth Hundreds.

This commote goith up on the est side of Ley, first to a stone bridge caullid Pont Lecwith a mile of: then to Pont Lay, a stone caullid yn Englisch Ele Bridg, a mile. Here it goith over Ele aboute a mile on the west ripe of wher Caire 98 paroch is.

It goit from Lay Bridg by the este ripe to Tilthecoit, 99 a praty village about half a mile. Half a mile above this on Lay est ripe is S. Fagan's paroche, and that is in the totally in the commote of Est Thawan.

This commot at the north is scant 2. miles over from Clauth Constable to S. Fagan's, and ther as in the midle it sumwhat touchith apon Miskin commote.

In this commote is onely the castelle of Landaf, beyng the Bishop's palace. There is sum meatly good corn ground in sum places of this commote: and very good frute for orchardes at Tilcovth. 100

There is very litle wood yn this commote. Wood is brought hither out of Meskyn.

## Gentilmen in Landaf Commot.

Myles Mathew. A litle from Landaf Castelle waulles by south, it is like a pile and welle buildid.

There is a nother mene gentilman of the Mathews in Caire paroche over Lay at Sweldon.

## MISKIN COMMOTE, OR GLADE<sup>101</sup> MISKIN.

This commote by est as it lyith rennith up a long by the west side of Taue<sup>102</sup> Ryver, By est. ontylle it cum to the place wher Kenon<sup>103</sup> ryveret cummith yn to Taue by the west ripe. This meating of Kenon with Taue is about a 10, mile above Clauth Cunstable. The ground on Taue ripe this way is very wooddy. Kenon Ryver goith into Taue above Parke Newith.

There is an hille caullid Keven Glase 104 beyond Kenon /20/half a mile, and it standith betwixte Kenon and Taue, and this is the kefinith betwixt Miskin and Singhenith. The ground betwixt Kenon and Penar hilly and woddy.

<sup>89</sup> Senghenyd

<sup>90</sup> Is- and U[wch] Kaiach

<sup>91</sup> Gelligaer

<sup>92</sup> Castell Coch

<sup>93</sup> Morleis Castle

<sup>94</sup> Merthyr Tydvil

<sup>95</sup> Lai, old form Elei.

<sup>96</sup> Tir vr escob.

<sup>97</sup> Clawd Cwnstabl.

<sup>98</sup> Kaere

<sup>99</sup> Twll Coed, now Fairwater, near Llan Dâv

<sup>100</sup> Ditto

<sup>101</sup> Gwlâd

<sup>102</sup> Tav

<sup>103</sup> Kynon

There is a nother hille a 5, miles above this toward Breckenocshir caullid Penar, and ther is a limes also by est north est.

This commot lyeth by west from Ponterith Sarne 105 causey, that is five miles from the mouth of Lay, stille up apon the est ripe of Lay, to a place caullid Mehcydd 106 wher Mehcydd Ryver cumming out of the lordeship of Glin Rodeney 107 and goith into Lay by the est ripe. It is about a 4, mile from Pontrith Sarn, Meatly good ground for corn to Pedware, and wood about Lay side. And then Miskyn kepith the hither, that is the est, ripe of Mechidd about a mile, and ther cummith a litle broke ynto Mechydd by the est ripe caullid Pedware. Then it folouith the est ripe of Pedware about a mile and a half to a place caullid Rethgough, <sup>108</sup> wher is a brooke caullid Cledaugh, <sup>109</sup> that a mile lower rennith into Rodeney by the west side or ripe of it. And Rodeney half a mile lower rennith into Taue. And then up by hilles and over Rodeney Water to Keven Guingil<sup>110</sup> a 3, miles, and thens a 7, miles to the hilles of Brekenok.

This commot up in the land lyith by flat north apon Breknocshire from Penar, crosse over as from est to west to Bolgoid. 111 Al this way his hilles and woodes.

This commot lyith by south from Clauth Constable to Pontrith Sarne as crose over from est to west a 4. miles by 112 good corn and woodde. And al Meskyn the nerer it By north. [lyith] to the south the frutefuller it [is.] Bolgoid: the

bely of the Lantrissent Castelle, longging to the King as principal house of Miskin, lyith half a mile from the est ripe of Lay, and half a mile beneth the place wher Mihchidd brooke cummith into Lay. The castelle stondith on the toppe of /21/a hille, and vs in ruine. It hath beene a fair castel, and had 2, wardes, and the inner Fanum trium dikid having emong other toures one great and high caullid Giguran. 113 Sanctorum

And at this castelle is the prison for Misk in and Glin Rodeney. There were 2, fair parkes by south of Lantrissent now onpalid and without deere. There is

> Gigbran:the great crow

now vren made in one of these parkes namid Glinog.

There is a place 2. miles from Llantrissent by south est caullid Crege Castelle on the top of an hille, wher sum tokens of buildinges yet remayne.

Ther hath beene sum auncient place at Galthe Caurde a mile by southe from Lantrissent. Gentilmen in Miskin.

George Mathew a man of praty lands dwelling at Rader half a mile above Clauth Constable by Taue

104 Keven Glâs

wood.

fo. 60.

By south.

105 Pont Rhyd Sam

106 Leland wrote over the first Mehycyddd ath, over the second if; evidently the dd puzzled him.

107 Glvn Rhonda

108 Rhyd goch

109 Clydach

110 Keven Gwyn

111 Bolgoid, corrected twice by Leland, to Bolcoid and Bolgoed, the present form. Tee hand, a little further on, is Leland's mark, referring to the same places on [1906 Ed.] p.25.

112 The hand symbol occurs at this point.

113 Y Gigvran

George Mathew hath a park with dere newly made 2, miles above Rader by north west.

The south John Mathew at S. Nele a mile from Pontrith Sarne by este.

Robert Mathew at Castelle Menach in Pentiraugh 114 paroch, 2. miles south from Llantrissent, and within [a quar]ter of a mile of Crege Castelle.

Mathew Gibon at Kentrebaine in the paroch of S. Fagan xl, mark.

Lewys ap Lluelen a mene man of land at Rethlauar. 115 [in] S. Fagan's paroch. xx. li. Land.

Menach: Monachorum

Gamage, a bastard of old Gamage of Coite, 116 a man of mene landes in Lanuair 117 a mile from Pont Rithsarn by est.

Master Basset of Pencoit a man of xl. li. land hard by the New Park of George Mathew.

#### GLIN ROTHENEY.

The vale of Rotheney 118 hath is limite by north on the rootes of the Blak Montayne. By est it lyith al on Miskin. By west it yoinith in sum place to the est ripe of Lay; and it goith up farther by west on the est ripe of Ogor 119 River from /22/Mennith Kelthle haedd 120 to Boulghe Clauthe <sup>121</sup> v. miles a sundre, and 4. miles above in the hilles is Breknokshir. By south it lyith a mile and a half on the side of the ryver of Mehcedd, and then it touchith half a mile on

Pedwarre brooke. Glamorgan

-shire. Haedd:barly feeld

Bothe Rodeney Vaur and Rodeney Vehan spring in the lordship of Glin.

Rodeney within a 2. miles together.

Rodeney Vaur risith by north west in a great e high rok, caullid Drissiog.

Rodeney Vehan risith a mile above Castelle Nose 122 right by north west also: but fo. 61 nerer toward Miskyn lordship. So that Rodeney Vaur hed and strem lyith more west up into Wales.

Castelle Nose is but a high stony creg in the top of an hille.

The vale of Glin Rodeney by south is meatly good for barle and otes but little whete. There is plenty of wood. It hath but one hole paroch caullid Ystrate, 123 and a peace of Lantrissent paroche, and a pece of Llan Wonni 124 paroche.

## ESTE THAWAN COMMOTE,

Est Thawin by south lyith on the Severn shore. From the mouth of Lay, wher Penarth Pointe standith on the west side of it, to the mouthe of Thawan<sup>125</sup> Ryver an eight miles: agayne the

<sup>114</sup> Castell Mynach in Pentyrch

<sup>115</sup> Rhvd Lavar

<sup>116</sup> Coety

<sup>117</sup> Llanvair

<sup>118</sup> Rhonda

<sup>119</sup> OgÄr

<sup>120</sup> Mynydd Gelli haidd

<sup>121</sup> Bwlch v Clawdd

<sup>122</sup> Castell Nos

<sup>123</sup> Ystrad Dyvodwg

<sup>124</sup> Llan Wynno

whiche mouth is the next passage to Minheved in Somersetshire. This *trajectus* is over Sevem xvi. miles.

Penarth is an hille or foreland into the Sevem Se.

A mile and a half above it is Scilley, <sup>126</sup> a praty havenet or socour for shippes. And here rennith Scylley a praty brooke into the se, and ther is a village caullid Scylley, scant half a mile from this haven muth: and the brook rennith thoroug the midle of it. The hedde of this is west north weste from Scylley village yn Wenuo<sup>127</sup> paroch in a welle waullid aboute on the north side of Wenuo chirche, that is a 2. miles above /23/Scylley village. On this brok <sup>128</sup> standith first Wenuo Castelle a quarter of a mile by west from the hedde of it. Al the buildinges of this Wenuo Castelle standing on a litle hille is downe saving one toure and broken waules. It longgid to the Maleinfantes, wherof in remembraunce was one that Glamorganwas first husband to Mr. Herebertes mother of Swansey. The King hath it now, and shire. fo. 62.

The castelle of Greneston is 3. quarters of a mile lower on Scilley broke, and it stonditb on the side of an hille a stone caste from the est ripe of Scilley. It is al in ruine saving one high tower. The Lord Herbe[r]t is owner of it.

The castel of Dinas Poys<sup>129</sup> is almost a mile lower, and stondith on a litle hille within a stone caste of the broke on the west side. This castelle is al in ruine, and longith to the King. Scylley village is scant a mile lower. So that the course of the hole water is a. 3. miles from the hedde to the se.

There is good corne and medow on booth sides of Scylley brooke, and good wood of boothe sides [till] <sup>130</sup> it cum to Dinas Poys. Lower to the se is none on it.

From Scylley mouthe to Aberbarrey, wher cummilh a litle rylle of fresch water to the Severn, is aboute a mile.

The hedde of this rylle is scant a mile of by north est in a playn ground.

On this bekke stondith the castelle of Barrey aboute a quarter of a mile beyond the west ripe of it. This castelle /24/stondith on a litle hil, and most of it is in ruine. Master S. John of Bedfordshir is lorde of it. Maurice S. John, uncle to Syr John S. John, was owner of it.

Right againe this brooke mouth lyith Barrey Isle. The passage into it at ful se is a flite Glamorgan shot over, as much as the Tamise is above the bridge. At low water ther is a broken causey to go over, or els <sup>131</sup> over the shalow stremelet of Barrey brooke on the sandes.

125 Aber Thaw

126 Sully

127 Wenvo

127 Fo. 61 ends with the words "On this brok." Fo. 62 has been taken out and is found, like others missing, in MS. vol. viii paged 21,22; here between \*\_\*. As in the other cases, the old figures can be read beneath the later. What is worse is that the rest of the figures of the leaves in the MS. vol. iv, following fo. 6r have been altered and written over by the same hand, making what is really fo. 63 into 62, 64 into 63 and so on. Thus the foliation given by Hearne and his editor from 62 to fo. 76 is wrong. In making up vol. viii. Burton inserted a leaf after the leaf 62 of vol. iv., on which he copied a few lines of the continuation on fo. 63, and then added the paragraph as to Gasper, Duke of Bedford, which is the last in MS. vol. iv., fo. 77 (after p.38). Hearne, however, was misled, and printed it in both places.

129 Dinas Powys

130 Leland left no blank, but Stow supplied the missing word.

The isle is about a mile in cumpace, and hath very good corne, grasse and sum wood. The ferme of it worth a x. li. a yere.

There ye no dwelling in the isle, but ther is in the midle of it a fair litle chapel of S Barrok, wher much pilgrimage was usid.

Half a mile and more beyonde Aber Barrey is the mouth of Come Kydy. <sup>132</sup> This broke risithe flat north a mile and an half from the place wher it goith ynto the Severn Se. There is no notable building on this rylle. The soile of boothe side of the ril in this valley hath good corn, grasse and wood.

From Kiddey mouth, wher no enteraunce is for shippes, to the mouth of Thawan a 3. miles by very principal good corn ground. At the mouth of Thawan shippe lettes may cum ynto the haven mouth.

The west marche goith up by Thawan side on the est ripe almost to Cowbridge, and that is a 4. miles of, and this ground is low aboute the ripe side, and ful of medowis and pasture grounde: and in sum places half a mile of from the ripe is summe woodde.

Half a mile from the mouth of Thawan there cummith in by the est ripe of it a brooke The march caullid Kensan. 133 by west.

The castelle of Fonmone standith on a little hille in Penmark paroche, a quarter of a mile by est from the mouth of Kensan.

This castelle yet stondith and longith to Sir John St. John.

This Kensan <sup>134</sup> hath 2. heddes, wherof the north est is caullid Nantbrane, <sup>135</sup> the hedde wherof is in the paroch of Lluen Lithan. <sup>136</sup>

/25/This hedde is 3. miles from the confluence and more. There [is] good pasture and corne about it.

The other hedde risith at Bolston <sup>137</sup> village, Gal: Tresi[mon], [byl north est more upward in Wales by west, a 3. miles from the confluence. First it cummith by Carnellued ii. miles douneward to Mr. Ragelandes house on the est side of it. Then thorough Llancarouan<sup>138</sup> village 3. quarters of a mile. Then a quarter of a mile to the confluens wher the hole streame is caullid Kensan. On both sides of this arme is good corn and gresse.

To cross over from Lancarouan to the nex part of Thawan is a mile.

The commot of Est Thawan cummith up by est from the mouth of Lay, <sup>139</sup> on the west ripe of Lay, first to Cogan Pille almost a mile of, wher is a fair maner place on the ripe side longging to Mr. Herebert of Swansey, and then to Ponte Lecwith of stone scant a mile. The est Then to Pontlay, alias Elebridg, <sup>140</sup> of stone, wher Landaf commot cummith for a space march.

<sup>131 [</sup>L.T.S. gives no reason for this footnote's inclusion Ed.]

<sup>132</sup> Cwm Kidi

<sup>133</sup> Carvan

<sup>134</sup> Carvan

<sup>135</sup> Nant Bran, older Baraen.

<sup>136</sup> St. Lythans

<sup>137</sup> Bonvilston, alias Tre Simwn

<sup>138</sup> Llan Carvan

<sup>139</sup> Lai or Ely

over Lay on booth sides of the bridge. Then cummith in againe on Lay west ripe Est Thawan commote at S. Fagan's, wher be not past 2. or 3. houses of the village on that side, but they stande beyond the stone bridge on the est side of Lay, and there is the paroche, and the castel of S. Fagan standing in the midle of the village, and within a stone caste of the river.

And here marke that Est Thawan yn this place occupiyth a 3. long mile by est north est on this ripe to a place caullith Pont Rithsarn in Miskin. <sup>141</sup>

The castelle of S. Fagan standith on a litle hille: and a part of it yet standith It was about a 60. yere ago in the of one Davy Mathew: and then it cam by heires general to diverse copartioners. Baynon of the Forest of Dene hath a part of it. The paroch chirch of S. Fagan is now of our Lady: but ther is yet by the village a chapelle of S. Fagan sumtime the paroch chirch.

Then to Llanpeder <sup>142</sup> on the same eat ripe of Lay 2. miles. /26/Ther is a poore village and a bridge of stone a quarter of a mile of by west, and a castelle on plain ground on the water side almost al in ruine. B[otler] and George Mathew be lordes of the village.

Glamorgan Look who is owner of the castelle. 143

Pont Rithsarn is about a mile upward from Lampeder on Lay.

Now to cum agayn to the west ripe of Lay over S. Fagan's bridge. S. George a village lyith 3. quarters of a mile upwarde on the ripe, and there is a castelle hard by the ripe on the west north west side of the village. This castelle stondith on plaineground. It longgid to the Male-Infantes, wherof one was alyve within this 40. yeres. The castelle is now the Kinges: and one Roger Herebert a bastard dwellith in it.

And Este Thawan goith yet a 2. miles upper on this ripe to a paroche caullid Pendiluen, <sup>144</sup> and that is in the commot of Tier Stuart. <sup>145</sup> So that this upperst part of Est Thawan on the west ripe of Lay is right agay[n Lam]peder on the est ripe of [Lay.]

The ground of Lay this way ys very good for corne and grasse and metely woddy and is as it were a flat soile without any high hilles.

This commot touchith by north est on the lordeship of Terstuart, and by north west likewise on Terstuart. So that it passith not thuart over there from north est to north west a 5. miles. The soile is meately good for corn and grasse, but not so good as it is on Lay and Thawan ryvers sides. <sup>146</sup>

WEST THAWAN.

Weste Thawan liyth a long on the Severn shore from the mouth of Thawan Ryver to a fo. 66

West Thawan by the Severn shore

lordeship caullid Terbrennine, 147 and that is a 6. miles of. The ground by shore is sumwhat low, and hath good corne and gresse, but litle wood; yet is the graund much enclosid.

Colhow is on the shore betwix thes 2. places a 2. miles above Thawan mouthe, and hither cummith sumtyme bootes and shippeletes for socour.

/27/Llan Illuit <sup>148</sup> is 3. quarters of mile north weste into the land from this place. And thens resortith a rylle to Colhow.

There is a castelle almost stonding on an even grounde half a mile from Laniltute -shire. by est north est caullid Llanuais. <sup>149</sup> It is almost al doun. It longgith now to the King. It was *in hominum memoria* the Maleinfauntes, ther communely caullid the Malifauntes. There cummith a litle bekke within a stone caste of the castelle, and rennith on the west side of it. It risith by gesse halfe a mile by north west above the castelle of Lanuays: and passing by this castelle it goith into Colhow water by likelihod.

From Colehow aboute a mile beyond upper by south west on Severn is S. Dinothes, <sup>150</sup> a cast el. It stondith on a meane hille a quarter of a mile from the Severn Se. In the which space bytwixt the castelle and the Severn is a parke of falow dere. There is a nother park of redde deere more by northe west from the castelle. The parkes booth and the castelle long to Stradeling a gentilman of very fair landes in that countery. Thins from the Severn shore againe S. Dinothes to the mouth of Alein a 3. miles. On the west side of the ripe of this brooke enterith Ter Brennine.

This Alein risith by north est up into the land at a place caullid Llesbroinuith <sup>151</sup> (Scirpetum), about a 4. miles above the place wher it cummith by it self into Severn.

Here marke that from the mouth of Alein to the mouth of Oxor River 152 is a 3. miles along by south, and this is countid as a lordship by it self, and it was Syr Maurice Lounder's landes in King Henry the 2. days. Now it longith to the King by the dukedom of Lancaster. In this part of the shore is only a manor place caullid Dounereuen 153 about the midle way. It longid a late to Boteler. The laste Boteler sister maried to Richard Vehan of Aberdourde is now heir of it.

Al this south parte of Brennine lordship good for corne and gresse, but litle or no wood.

Glamorgan -shire. The est parte of Ter Bren-

/28/Terre Brennine <sup>154</sup> liyth up from the mouth of Ogor on the est ripe of Ogor to Penbont (ende of the bridge), a bridge of stone a 3. mile of.

Ogor Castelle standith on the est ripe of Ogor on a playn ground a mile above the mouth of Ogor, and ys meatly welle maintainid. It longgid ons to Lounder, now to the King.

<sup>140</sup> Ely bridge.

<sup>141</sup> See footnote 9 on [1906 Ed.] p. 20

<sup>142</sup> Peterston -super -Ely.

<sup>143 [</sup>The 1906 Edition. has an unused pointer to this line Ed.]

<sup>144</sup> Pen deu-lwvn.

<sup>145</sup> Tir y Steward.

<sup>146</sup> Here follows a blank space headed "Gentilmen in Est Thawan"

<sup>147</sup> Tir v Brenhin

<sup>148</sup> Now Lantwit major

<sup>149</sup> Llan Vaes. Over *uais* is written *felde*, as a gloss

<sup>150</sup> St. Donat's

<sup>151</sup> Llysworney

<sup>152</sup> Ogmor, vel Ogwr

<sup>153</sup> Dunraven

<sup>154</sup> Tir y Brenhin.

This est ripe of Ogor up from the mouth of it to Penbont 155 hath good corn and gresse ground, but litle wood.

Half a mile above Ogor Castelle cummith. Wenny 156 Ryver into Ogor by the est ripe.

Wenny risith about a 5. or 6. miles by north est from this place, and cummith into Ogor by south west on the est ripe of it.

Apon the est ripe of Wenny in Terbrennine a mile above the mouth of it lyith Wenny Priory, and a litle above on the same ripe is Cornetoun, and a litle upward is Milter Ouer [in] 157 the high-way, and above this Milter Ower the land of both sides of Wenny is caullid Tershire. Milter Ower, *Mile Golden*, is in the high-way betwixt Coubridge and Cornton. So that all the west ripe of Wenny from the mouth to the hedde is in Ter Coite 158 and a piece of the weste ripe of it above Corneton is in West Thawan almost by a 3. miles upper.

Ther ly by flat northe from Penbont a 2, paroches, Landevodug<sup>159</sup> and Llanginwire <sup>160</sup> vi. miles of longging to Terbrennine. But Ter Coite lyth bytwixt it and Terbrennine.

West Thawln cummith in agayne at the west side of the mouth of Oggor, and so goith from the mouth of it a 4. miles on the west ripe above Pennebont, and there metith with Teryarlth. 161 The ground betwixt hath grasse, metly corn and litle wood. Saving fo. 68. West Thawan that a mile from above Ogor mouthe the sandes of the se sore hurtith the ground.

Martyr Maur <sup>162</sup> (Mr. Stradelings place), a fair manor place /29/of stone,

standith on this west ripe a mile above Ogor mouth. At Penbont almost 2. mile upper ther is a village, wherof that part

landes. Glamorganthat stondith on the weste side of the bridg is caullid Castelle Newith, and is in West Thawan; and that part of :it that is on the est side of the bridge is

caullid Henecastelle, <sup>163</sup> and is yn Ter brennine. From the mouth of Ogor to Newton Notes 164 on the south shore is a 4. miles. This is a prety village on the est ripe of Tidug<sup>165</sup> and there is a station or haven for shippes. The ground betwixt hath meatly good corne and gresse, but litle wood. The shore is cliffy.

.....[dug] a litle brok [risith] out of a welle at Llanti- ..... a ii. miles [by nor]th from Newton.

From Newton to Kenfike<sup>166</sup> Ryver a vi. miles. Of these vi. miles 3, be hygh cliffes on the shore: the other low shore and sandy grounde. For the rages of Severn Se castith ther up much sand.

by Severn

the erles

shore. Tervarlth. I hard one say that this Kenfik water is caullid Colebroke.

Ther is a manor place caullid Sker a 2. miles from the shore wher dwellith one Richard Loughor a gentilman.

There is good corne and gresse but litle wod by 3. or 4 miles from Newton toward Kenfik on the shore. Kenfike is a small broke, and cummith by estimation not past a 3, miles of, out of the mores there about.

There is a litle village on the est side of Kenfik, and a castel, booth in ruine and almost shokid and devourid with the sandes that the Severn Se ther castith up.

Kenfik was in the Clares tyme a borow toun. It standith a litle within the mouth of Kenfik water.

Morgan Abbay and village st[andith] a 2. miles of by north este.

From Kenfik to Aber Avon a 2, miles by low shore, parte morisch and sandy with the rages of Severn.

Ther is metly good wood about Aber Avon.

There is a poore village on the west ripe of Avon about 2. miles from the mouth of Avon. This village is caullid Abreavon. <sup>167</sup> The groundes about it be baren and sower. /30/This village lyith in the great high-way thoroug Glamorganshir. There is an haven for shippes at the mouth of this Avon.

Avon Ryver cum of 2. armes, wherof that that lyith north est is caullid Avon Vaur, and that Glamorganthat lyith north west is caullid Avon Vehan. They mete togither at Lanuihengle 168 about a 1. miles above Aberauon village.

From the mouth of Avon to the mouth of Neth 169 Ryver is aboute a ii. miles and a half, al by low shore shokid with Severn sandes and sum morisch groundes.

The litle toun and castelle of Neth stondith a 4. miles from the mouth of Neth, and the toun and castelle stondith on the est ripe of Neth.

And on the west ripe a litle lower then the town of Neth was the Abbay of Nethe.

On nother side of Nethe from the mouth thus far is any very good soile. Good pasture there is in sum places and woodde about Neth. Ther be colles half a mile above the toune of Nethe in a more, and again a litle beneth the toun almost in rip[a].

There cummith up shippelettes almost onto the toun of Neth from the Severn. Botes cum to the very bridge of tymbre that is sumwhat lower on the water then the town.

At the very mouth of Nethe on the est side of it is a litle village of 3, or 4, houses caullid Britanne Fery <sup>170</sup> to passe to Swansey and Penbrokeshire.

One Lysan a gentilman of auncient stok, but now of mene landes about a xl. li. by the vere, dwellith in the toune of Nethe.

The Lysans say, that theire familie was there in fame afore the Conquest of the Normans.

<sup>155</sup> Bridgend.

<sup>156</sup> Ewenny.

<sup>156</sup> Leland here interlined his text, and seems to have omitted in. The following sentence he set in the margin, an after-thought, with the gloss written above, Milter Ower.

<sup>158</sup> Tir Coety

<sup>159</sup> Llan Dyvodwg

<sup>160</sup> Llan Geinor.

<sup>161</sup> Tir yr Iarll.

<sup>162</sup> Merthyr Mawr.

<sup>163</sup> Hen Gastell

<sup>164</sup> Newton Nottage.

<sup>165</sup> Tythegston.

<sup>166</sup> Kenffig.

<sup>167</sup> Aber Avon

<sup>168</sup> Michaelston.

<sup>169</sup> Nedd, anglicised Neath.

<sup>170</sup> Britton Ferry.

From the mouth of Neth to the mouth of Crimline Bek is aboute a 2. miles by low sandy shore, no villages betwixt or good grounde.

Porta Molen- This Crimline Brooke is the *limes* betwixt West Thawan and Gower's lande.

dinaria.

#### /31/THE LIMITES OF WESTE THAWAN BY EST.

Hither to West Thawan
West Thawan

on Severn.

This is a mile by the west ripe standith a pile or manor place caullid Gilestoun and village of the same name: but it [is] 171

distant from the very ripe a quarter of a mile by west. One Giles, a gentilman of an auncient house yet having a hundreth markes of lande by the yere, is lorde of it.

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fo, 70

A very litle more upward is a stone bridg caullid Pontnewith.

There is a quarter of a mile above this bridg a manor place hard on the ripe caullid Norchete. Mr. Stradeling sumtime lyith in it: and it is of his enheritaunce.

And a quarter of a mile above Norchet is a little from the ripe Castleton, a manor place, on a hille ascending from the ripe. And a late it longgid to one Hugh Adam a man of mene landes, whos doughter is now heir of it.

Half a mile above Castelletoun is Treflemig, alias Flemingeston, and shortely Flemston. <sup>172</sup> And Fleming is lorde of it. This Fleming is taken as one by descent of the 13. peeres of Glamorganshir.

From Trefleming to Pontgigman a stone bridge half a mile.

From Pontgigman to Pont He a bridg of stone 3. quarters of a mile.

Thens half a mile to Llandouhe, <sup>173</sup> wher is a village and a castelle much in ruine on an hille.

Syr Edwarde Carne bought this lordship of the Erle of Wicester that now is.

Againe this village is a bridge of stone caullid Pont Landouhe. Sum say that Douhe cam with Fagan and Divian from Rome into Britain.

From Landouhe to Lanlithan<sup>174</sup> village half a mile, and heere is a stone bridge. Moste of the village is on the west ripe. The other parte and the castel is on the est ripe.

This castel longging to the King is yet partly standing, and is in Terstuard<sup>175</sup> lordsbip, and kept as the prison for it.

/32/Cowbridge is a quarter of a mile above Lanlithan.

From the mouth of Thawan to Cowbridge a longe by the ripe self, and more by west from the ripe is very good corne and gresse.

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As much of Cowbridge as is enclosed with the waull stondith on the est ripe and the bridge of ston there.

The great suburbe of Coubiisgii is cis pontem.

fo. 71 The waulle of Cowbridge is a 3. quarters of a mile aboute.

There be 3. gates in the waulle, the est, the west and Porte Meline <sup>176</sup> by south.

171 Supplied by Hearne.

172 Flemston.

173 Llan Dough.

174 Llan Bleddian.

175 Tir y Steward.

There is a chirch in the town. But the saying is, that Lanlithan is the hed paroch chirch to Cowbridge.

The town self of Cowbridge standith in a valle.

Penlline Castelle and village is almost a mile by west north west from Cowbridge. This castelle yet stondith and longith to Turbeville.

There were a while ago 2. brethen of the Turbevilles, wherof the elder left a doughter and heyr; the youngger left a sunne. The doughter was married to Loughor. After great strife the 2. Turbevilles childern partid the landes.

A litle above Cowbridg on the este ripe cummith yn Terstuard.

Gentilmen dwelling in Weste Thawan bytwixt Thawan and Alein

James Thomas dwelling at Lanviengle a mile flat north from Laniltute.

The heir of the Carnes (Richard)<sup>177</sup> at a place caullid the Assche: and there is a park of falow deere.

Edmunde Vanne dwellith in Laniltut, and he hath a house at Marcrosse almost a mile by west from Laniltute.

Turbeville (James) 178 whos father was a bastard dwellith in Laniltute.

Edward Stradeling yongger brother to the heir dwellith in Laniltute. He maried the doughter and heir of a younger brother of the Ragelandes.

/33/John Thomas in Laniltute.

Syr Edward Carne at Landoughe.

Thomas Ragelande of a yongger brother of the Ragelandes at Llesbroinith.

There ly 3. lordshipes by north in Glamorganshir from the weste ripe of Lay
River to the est ripe of Neth Ryver.

Glamorgan
-shire.

fo. 72.

Wherof the firste is Terstuarde, to the which Rithin lordship is as a rnembre lying on the west side of it.

In Terstuard is meately plenty of corn and plenty of wood and good pasture, as in a ground that is set emonge high hilles.

The castelle of Taleuan<sup>179</sup> is in this lordship, stonding on a level grounde. It is clerely in ruine, and is distant 2. miles north est from Cowbridge, and a mile and a half from Thawan River, and almost 2. miles from Lay.

This castelle and lordship is the Kinges, and there was a park by north from the castelle. There is no village hard joyning to this castelle.

The secunde lordship lying by north is Tercoite, <sup>180</sup> and this joinith onto the west north west side of Terstuarde. This lordship is not fully so bigge as Terstuard.

The south part of Tercoite is plentiful of corn as in the paroch self of Coite.

And este south este it hath good wodde, as in the parke self of Coite and Coide Muster. 181

176 Porth y Velin.

177 Richard, James, are interlined.

178 [See Note 177 Ed.]

179 Tal y Van.

180 Tir Coety

The west part of it hath metely good corne and pasture.

The north parte is sumwhat hilly and thereby lesse fruteful.

The castel of Coite standith on a playn grounde a mile by north est from Penbont a good market toun standing on Ogor.

Coite Castelle is also half a mile from the west ripe of Wenny, and a mile from the est ripe of Ogor.

This castelle is maintainid, and sum say that it longgid ons to Payne, caullid for his ruffeling there *Diable*. Now Gamage is lorde of it, and it is his principal house.

The 3. lordship is Teryarlthe, <sup>182</sup> and is montanius and lesse fruteful then the other 2. lordshippes. It hath in diverse places good pastures.

/34/And plentie of wod in Diffrin.

Lleueny. 183 This valley is a 3. miles by north from Morgan.

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Morgen is the best village of Teryarlth: and in it was an abbey of white monkes.

Leueny River risith in the paroche of Clin Corrug, and renning a 2. miles receivith Corrug Broke, that from the hed cummith as far of: and thens Lleueny rennith a 7. miles lower into Ogor by the west ripe at a place caullid Lansanfride 2. miles above Pennebonte.

There is a broke in Teryarlthe cawllid Fredoll <sup>184</sup> a this *(cis)* side Avon: and goith thorough Langinwid paroche.

## CAIRTAPHE.

The town self of Cairtaphe <sup>185</sup> as the principale of al Gla morganshire is well waullid, and is by estimation a mile in cumpace. In the waulle be 5 gates. First Portllongey, in Englisch the Ship Gate, flat south. Then Porte Dour, in Englisch the Water Gate, by southe weste. Then Port Miskin by north west, so caullid bycause it ledith the way into the lordship of Miskin. Then Porte Singhenith flat north, so caullid bycause that menne passe by it into Singhenith. Then Porte Crokerton flat est, so caullid of the suburbe that joynith hard to it.

The cast elle is in the north west side of the town waulle, and is a great thing and a strong, but now in sum ruine.

Ther be 2. gates to entre the castelle, wherof the biggest is caullid Sherehaul Gate, the other is caullid the Escheker Gate.

There is by Shirhaul Gate a great large tour caullid White Tour: wherin is now the Kinges armary.

The Dungeon Towr is large and fair.

The castelle toward the toun by est and south is plaine, but it is dikid by northe, and by west it is defended by Taphe <sup>186</sup> River.

There be certein places in the castelle limitid to every /35/one of the 13<sup>187</sup> Glamorgan-peres or knightes that cam with Haymo Erle of Glocester in King William Conquerors dayes and wan Glarnorgane Cuntery. And eche of these be bound to the castelle garde.

Ther be 2 paroche chirchis in the towne, wherof the principale lying sumwhat by est is one, the other of our Lady is by southe on the water side.

There is a chapelle beside in Shoe-Maker streat of S. Perine, and a nother hard within Meskin Gate side.

Ther was a late a goodly mansion in the town caullid Place Newith. 188

The biggest suburbe of the town is caullid Crokerton, and ther was a house of Gray Freres.

There is a nother suburbs but lesse without Portllongy. <sup>189</sup> The Blake Freres house was without Meskin Gate: and by side this is litle building there.

#### BRIDGGES NOTABLE ON REMNY RIVER.

fo. 75.

Bedwas, a

Birche grove.

Pren Bedow,
a tre[e][of birch.

Pont Bedwes (birche) of tymbre. Pont Llan Edern of timbre 4. miles lower, and Pont Remny of wood 3. miles lower. Thens a mile and a half to the Severn.

## BRIDGES THAT BE NOTABLE APON TAPHE RIVER.

Pont Rhehesk <sup>190</sup> of wood. Pont Newith of wood 3. miles lower. Pont Landafe of wood 4. miles lower. Pont Cairdife of wood a mile lower.

The water of Taphe cummith so down from woddy hilles, and often bringgith down such logges and trees, that the cuntery wer not able to make up the bridges if they were stone, they should be so often broken.

# BRIDGES ON RODENEY VAUR. 191

One of wood a quarter of a mile west from Penrise. Pont Kemmer <sup>192</sup> a 2. miles lower, and a litle beneth is the confluence.

<sup>181</sup> Coety and Coed y Mwstwr.

<sup>182</sup> Tir Iarll.

<sup>183</sup> Llvvni

<sup>184</sup> Leland writes th over the ll.

<sup>185</sup> Cardiff.

<sup>185</sup> Elsewhere Leland writes Taue=Tav, which is the correct form. The Englishman's Taff is simply a mispronunciation of Taf, i.e. Tav.

<sup>187 12</sup> is written over the 13.

<sup>188</sup> Plas Newydd.

<sup>189</sup> Porth llonge.

<sup>190?</sup> Roath.

<sup>191</sup> Rhondda Vawr.

<sup>192</sup> Pont Kymmer.

## /36/BRID GES ON RODENEY VEH AN<sup>193</sup>.

Glamorgan—There be also 2. smaul bridges of wood on Rodeney Vehan, wherof the first is againe Penrise 3. quarters of a mile of, the other is a litle above the confluence right againe the bridg on Rodeney Va[u]r.

Ther is a bridge of wood on the hole [Rode]ney caullid Pont Newitb 2. miles beneth [the confl]uence: and a quarter from the [place] wher it [goith] into Taphe.

## NOTABLE BRIDGGES ON LAY RIVER.

Pont Eniselthlan 194 of wood. Ponte Rethe Yevan 195 of wood a mile and a half lower.

Ponte Velin, a mille.

Duvelais flu.

Ponte Velin Vaur of wood a 1. mile lower. Duvelais 196 Broke cummith into Lay by the est ripe a quarter of a mile above Ponte Velin Vaur. This brooke risith a 4. miles of by est north este. And apon this brooke is a wood bridge caullid Pont Rethe Ledan. 197 Pont Seysan 198 (Saxon) of wood 2. miles lower. Pont Gloun 199 of wood about a mile lower. Pont Rethe Gaiavelay, 200 a very litle beneth this bridge is the confluence with Lay River.

#### BRIDGES ON ALEIN.

Pont Alein of stone, and 2. miles lower is Severn. Pont Risclidog of wood a mile lower than Pont Velin on Lay. Ponte Rethsaran of wood a mile and a di. lower. Pont Lanpeder of 3. arches of stone a mile lower. Pont S. George of wood a mile and a quarter lower. Pont S. Fagan a stone bridge of 3. arches a mile lower, Pont Lay of 2. arches of stone, [Angl.] Ele Bridge, a mile and a half lower. Pont Lecwith of 3. [arches] of stone, a mile and a quarter [lower]. Thens a mile to Severn.

#### BRIDGES NOTABLE ON THAWAN.

Ponte Vain, <sup>201</sup> alias Cowbridge, of stone. Ponte Llanithan<sup>202</sup> of stone a quarter of a mile lower. Pont Landoughe of stone 3. quarters of a mile lower. Ponte Meline He of stone /37/half a mile lower. Pont Kigman of stone a mile lower. Pont Newith of stone a mile lower and a half. And half a mile lower is Severn.

## BRIDGES ON KENSAN<sup>203</sup> BROKE.

Ponte Kensan of 2, arches of stone. Ponte Britoun of one arch of stone half a mile lower.

Kensan risith flat este and goith into Thawan *per ripam orient*. by south south west a litle from Aber Thawan.

#### BRIDGES ON WENNY.

Wenny Bridge of stone.

Wenny rennith by the est ripe into Ogor half a mile above Ogor Castelle.

#### BRIDGES ON OGOR.

Ponte Lansanfraide of timbre.

Pennebont<sup>204</sup> of 4. arches of st[one a] <sup>205</sup> miles lower.

Pont Newith of stone a mile and [halfe] lower, and a mile and a half to [Severn.]

Garow, and Lleueny<sup>206</sup> brokes.

On these be no very notable bridges. Garow risith by north in a place caullid Blaine Garow, and renning about a 6. miles cummith into Ogor by the west ripe 2. miles above Lansanfraide Bridge.

Leueny risith by north weste in Glin Corrug paroche, and goith into Ogor by the weste ripe a quarter of a mile above Lansanfraid Bridge.

#### BRIDGES ON AVON.

Ponte Retheuenne, <sup>207</sup> the forde of the Waine, of timbre apon Avon Vaur about a mile above the confluence of bothe the Avons.

Pont Inisavon of wood about a mile beneth the confluence.

#### /38/BRIDGES ON NETH.

Glamorganshire. Ponte Castelle Nethe of tymbre.

There is a bridge of timbre an 8. miles above Nethe town at Rigos.

Justine lord of Glamorganshir had great troble of Theodore Prince of Wales.

Justine desired help of one Inon 208 a Walsch man borderer onto hym, promising to hym his doughtter with greate landes.

Inon got help of Haymo Erle of Glocestre, and had 12. or 13 knightes of his, and bette the Prince of Wales.

Justine kept no promise with Inon.

Wherefore Inon and the xii. knightes drave Justine away and occupied his landes.

Inon had al the Walscherie for his parte, as up into the mountaines by north in Glamorganshire, as Glin Rotheney, Miskin, Sighenith, Glin Neth, and other partes toward the Blake Montaines. The landes of the xii..knightes were in the best part of Glamorganshir, as

<sup>193</sup> Rhondda Vechan.

<sup>194</sup> Pont Ynys y Llan.

<sup>195</sup> Rhyd Ivan.

<sup>196</sup> Diwles.

<sup>197</sup> Rhyd Lydan.

<sup>198</sup> P. Seison.

<sup>199</sup> Pont y Clown.

<sup>200</sup> P. Rhyd Gyveile.

<sup>201</sup> Pont Vaen.

<sup>202</sup> Llan Bleddian.

<sup>203</sup> Carvan

<sup>204</sup> Bridgend.

<sup>204</sup> MS. torn here. Stow read a mile but Leland's word is miles, perhaps he wrote 2 miles.

<sup>206</sup> Garw and Llyvni.

<sup>207</sup> Pont Rhyd Ewenny.

<sup>208</sup> Einion.

toward the [se], and this landes went to hei[res] onde[vidid]. Ino's part in the Walscherie was devidid by heires into peces, and so sone sparkelid.

Lounders, Stradling, and Fleming be countid, as 3. of the xii. knightes.

Lounders part came to the dukedum of Lancaster.

Fleminges part cam to the Maleinfantes. And of late tyme Gaspar<sup>209</sup> Duke of Bedeford, being lord of Glamorganshire, the landes of the Maleinfantes, for lak of due issue, cam by exchete onto hym as lorde of the countery. Now they be the Kinges. Hayles Abbaye. Anno D.

Gloucestershire.
fo. 2

1251 consummata est ecclsia 210 /39/ cum dormitorio, claustro & refectorio: expensis in operationibus octo marcarum millibus.

Pinoke Welle a mile from Hayles *in radicibus de* Coteswalde to Nanton village, to Burton, <sup>211</sup> and sumwhat beneth Burton cummith into hit a water rising at Kensdale in Coteswald, and thens to Hinchwike, wherabowt yt rennith undre the grounde; thens to Swelle village by Stow; from Swelle to Slawghter, and so into Burton Water. Pinoke Wel is countid of sum for one of the farthest of Tamise heddes.

Ther cummith a water from the partes of Rolriche, 212 and so down not far from Oxfordshire. Side within a mile of Bisshops Thoune, and goith into Kenlet in the vale by Montgomery. Cheping Northton to Bruern, as I suppose.

Martine Poole, meately large and plentiful of fische, is in a faire valle, and

Cumming from Chiping Norton to Stow in the Wold abowt the midde way is Adelsthorp and Horse Bridge by wheris a *limes* betwixt ....

#### MARKET TOWNES IN THE WOLDE OF GLOCESTRESHIRE.

Stow in the Wolde v. miles from Chipping Northton, and vii. or viii. from Heyles.

Gloucester-shire.

Camden a vii, northwest from Stow.

Northlache a vii. miles from Stow [towne] southwest from Stow almost in the waye from Stow to Cicestre.

[Fairford, wher Mr. Tame dwellith, a vii. miles from Northlage.]

Cicestre. <sup>213</sup>

Tetbiri.

Cheltnam [a] market toun in the vale [v.] miles from Hayles [Abbaye.]

Glocestre stand[ith] on a brooks that goith into Severne.

Oswaldus primum instituit canonicos seculares apud Persore.

Postea fuit ibidem chorus monachorum.

Rursus canonici inducti.

Postea monachi per Edgarum.

Elferus abstulit praedia monachis.

208 Burton's side note on Leland's vol, viii., fo. 23, says, "Gaspar D. of Bedford died 21 Dec. 1495, 11 Hen. 7." See note, p. 23 [1906 Ed.].

Odda comes ejus filius restituit.

Monasterium conflagravit & a monachis desertum est.

Monachi Westmonasteriensis praedia usurpabant.

Wada comes attulit relliquias S. Edburgae, & per Oswaldum episcopum Fulbrigtus abbas inductus.

Gloucestershire. /40/Olney, alias Alney, about Deorhirst in Gloces ter-shire. Deorhurst yet remainith in Glocestre-shire as a celle to Twekesbiri.

Scargate<sup>214</sup> about Severn side repaired by Ethelfleda.

Worcester- Al the way that I rode betwixt Heyles and Pershore was meately here and ther wooddid. But from Persore to Wicestre, and then almost to Tembyri, <sup>215</sup> was better wodid, and yet in vales and sides of hilles good plenty of corne. And as for good medows and pastures in Wicestre lakketh noone.

Montgomeryshire.

A ii. myles a this side Montgomeri in the way thens to Bisshoppes Castel is a river cumming owt of the vicine hilles, and is caullid Taidbrooke. It risit owt of an hille side within a mile of Bisshops Teune and goith into Kenlet in the vale by Montgomery

ardine. Martine Poole, meately large and plentiful of fische, is in a faire valle, and is iii. miles from Montgomery, and ii. myles from Chirberi Priori lately suppressid.

In the midde way betwyxt Bishops Town and Montgomery [is a] prety rille ther [devidinge Caursland,a notable parte of Shropshire from Chirbirhe hunderithe. This Radnor-Caursland, sometyme longinge to the Duke of Buckyngham, croketh mervelously about the uppar parts of Shropeshire.]

Offa's Dike apperith manifestly by the space of a ii. miles almost in the midde way betwixt Bisshops Castelle and Montgomery, and ther it is in one ... 216 not very far from the mote on a hille toppe as a *limes* betwixt Causeland lordship, or Montgomeri, and Herfordshire, and againe not far touchith a litle in Shirbyri<sup>217</sup> hunderith, and againe passith a litle by Caurseland.

I hard also at Montgomery, that Offa's Dike apperith sumwhat about Radenor, and againe within a iii. myle of Oswestre.

The faire Cumming from Bisshops Castelle to Clunne lordshippe cummeth doune a greate forest of Clune. Woode grouing on a hille, and under the hille within a mile and a half of Bisshoppes /41/Towne is a riveret caullid Onke, <sup>218</sup> and rennith by this wooddy hille, and a quarter mile of a this side from Clunne Castelle cummith into Clunne. Clunne risith .... and at Lenterdine cummith into Teme.

Bytwixt Clunne and Knighton is a river caulid Cluideford, that after a smaulle course of running cummeth into Teme.

Radnor-shire.

Teme River at Knightton devideth there Melennith <sup>219</sup> from Clunne lordshippe.

<sup>209</sup> Here commences vol. v. of Leland's MS. Gen. Top. e 12 fos. 2-80 (Stow, MS. Tanner 464, vol. ii, fos. 1-33; the first portion of Hearne's vol v.). The first leaf of Leland's original must have been early lost, as it is wanting both in Stow and Burton. See before, p. 1, note.]

<sup>211</sup> Bourton-on-the-Water.

<sup>212</sup> Rollwright.

<sup>213</sup> Cirencester.

<sup>214</sup> Leland corrects Scargateto Scorgate

<sup>215</sup> Tenbury

<sup>216</sup> Leland appears to have intended a small blank after the word *one* (which occurs at the end of a line); Stow did not read it so, but Burton did.

<sup>217</sup> Chirbury

<sup>218</sup> Unk R.

Knighton, as I remembre, standith bytwixt ii. rivers.

Teme cumming down from Knighton. 220

Teme risith in Melennith hilles a v. or vi. miles from Knighton, halfe a mile above a chapel caullid, as I remembre, Bostel.

About half way bytwixt Knighton and [New] Radenor cummith Lugge owt of Melennith, and so doune to Presteine a good market town therabout deviding the lordship of Prestein longging to the King, and Lug Harneis lordship longging to the Baron of Burforde.

[Steple-Castelle on Lug in Lug Harneis longynge to the Baron of Burford.]

At Prestein towne and market most part of the cunteri of Melennithe fetche their corne.

Prestein in Walsche is caullid Llanandrew. 221

The Walsche Poole, a market toune, taketh name of a poole therby, meatly large and plentiful of fische.

Montgomerike deflorichid by Owen Glindour.

Radenor partely destroied by Owen Glindour, and the voice is there that after he wonne the castel he tooke a iii. score men that had the garde of the castel, and causid them to be beddid on the brinke of the castel yarde, and that sins a certen bloodeworth growith ther wher the bloode was shedde.

Ther is a chapel at Radenor beside the paroch chirche in the chirch yarde.

Radenor wolle ys moch praisid.

Radnorshire.

/42/The valey about Radenor is veri plentiful of corne and gresse, and the valey streccith up one way to Limstre.

Limstre of sum is cauliid in Walsche, Llinlini, of flex or hempe grouing therabout. But this is false. For it takith name *a leone*.

The vale of Radenor goith one way toward Chestre, and a nother toward Shreusbiri.

Bi Old Radenor is an hille caullid Pencrage.

Cumming from Radenor to the Hay I lefte Old Radenor on the lifte hond set on a hille a ii. miles from New Radenor. At Old Radenor (as sum say) was ons a market kepte. Ther is yet a veri fair chirch and welle servid.

Within a ii. myles from Radenor I cam over a broke caullid Wadele that goith into Lug, and a mile or ii. beyonde that I lefte Huntingdon-Castel a mile on the lifte hond. It longgid to the Duke of Bokingham.

A mile or more beyond that I passid at New-Chirch over Arow that goith to Limstre.

Arow risith not far from Glascumbe, <sup>222</sup> wher is a chirche but few houses. Thens [a good] mile it cummith to NewChirch, [and then] thorough [the fair parke of Huntingdon [Castle.]

[A too miles, or more, from New -Churche I saw passynge by .... Paynes [Castle] a good mile of on the right hand.] <sup>223</sup>

The fery from Auste in Glocestreshire to a village on the farther ripe of Severn, not far from S. Tereudacus 224 Chapel yn the mouth of Wy Ryver, is a iii. myles over.

Venceland ys devidid into low, myddle, and hy. The principal towne of Low Venteland is Chepstow a ii. myles from Severne shoore. Sum say that the old name of this towne is Strigulia. Sum think that Strigulia should be sum other place, because that the Lord Herebert writeth hymself Lord of Chepstow and Strigul, as of ii. diverse places. There appere a v. or vi. Englisch myles from Chepstow yn a great wood syde under a hille very notable ruines of a castel cawlled Trogy, wherby runneth a lytle broke of the same /43/name. Monmouth The name of this castel sumwhat cummeth to the Monmou name of Strigulia, but it shire. standeth, as they say there, in Mydde Venceland. 225

The towne of Chepstow hath bene very strongly waulled as yet welle doth appere. The wa[ulles] began at the ende of the great bridge over Wy, and so cam to the castel, the which yet standeth fayr and strong not far from the ruin of the bridge. In the castel ys one tower, as I hard say, be the name of Longine. The town now hath but one paroche chirche. The celle of a Blake Monke or two of Bermundesey by London was lately there suppressed. A [great] part of cumpace withyn the waulles is no[w con]verted to litle medows and ga[rdins.]

Cairguent in Base Venteland<sup>226</sup> is iiii. [myles] from Chepstow in the way to Cairlion. Yt was sumtyme a fair and a large cyte. The places where the iiii. gates was yet appere, and the most part of the wal yet standeth, but al to minischyd and torne; in the lower part of the walle toward a lytle valey standeth yet the ruine of a stronge ... <sup>227</sup> Within and abowt the waulle now be a xvi. or xvii. smaul howses for husbondmen, of a new making, and a paroche chirch of S. Stephyn. In the towne yet appere pavimentes of the old streates, and yn digging they finde fundations of greate brykes, *tesselata pavimenta*, & numismata argentea simul & aerea. A great lykelyhod ys that when Cairguent began to decay then began Chepstow to florisch. For yt stondeth far better as apon Wy there ebbyng and flowyng by the rage cummyng owt of Severn. So that to Chepstow may cum greate shyppes.

Porteskewin, <sup>228</sup> as I lernid, is bytwixte Chepstow and Cairguent: ther goith a riveret to the Severn Se, and ther is one of the limites of the length of Wales. The other is Port Hoyger by Holihed in Anglesey.

Tyntern Abbay iii. myles from Chepstow abowt Wy side semeth to be [in] Base Venteland. 229

The castel of Calecoyth <sup>230</sup> longging to the Kinge is in Base Venteland toward the Severn shore not far from Matthern. At this castel, as sum say, was King Henry the vii. begotten.

Monmouthshire.

/44/Lan Vair<sup>231</sup> a castel yn Base Venteland a ii. myles almost north from Cairguent.

Matthern ys a preaty pyle in Base Venteland longging to the Bisshop of Lan dafe.

Steple-castle

<sup>219</sup> Mellenydd

<sup>220</sup> Here were some words crossed through by Leland.

<sup>221</sup> Llan Andras.

<sup>222</sup> Glascwm

<sup>223</sup> Leaf 4 here ensuing is blank.

<sup>224</sup> Teudiric, i.e. Theodorici = Mathern.

<sup>225</sup> Gwentland

<sup>226</sup> See note 204

<sup>227</sup> Leland has a small blank here, emphasized by Stow.

<sup>228</sup> Port Skewet.

<sup>229</sup> Gwentland

<sup>230</sup> Caldicot.

<sup>231</sup> Llan Vair Discoed.

The soyle of al Venteland is of a darke reddische yerth ful of slaty stones, and other greater of the same color. The countery is also sumwhat montayneus, and welle replenishid with woodes, also very fertyle of corne, but men there study more to pastures the which be wel inclosed.

# fo. 6. MYDDLE VENTELAND.

Sum say that Cair Lion should be in Base Venteland, sum say nay. The Welschemen say that Cair Lion is but viii. myles from Chepstow, but in deade it may be counted xii. Englisch myles. It stondeth magnificently on the farther side of Wische, <sup>232</sup> one of the principal ryvers of South-Wales. So that very great shyppes might wel cum now to the town, as they did in the Romaynes tyme, but that Newport Bridge is a lette. Nevertheles bygge botes cummeth to the towne. The ruines of the walles of the town yet remayne, and also of the castel.

There is opinion that the olde Romaine chirche was about Mr. ... house, where I lay. There in digging apperid certen paintinges on stonis.

There were fownde a late by the castel cert eyne paintid incrustamentes hard by the castel. In the towne is now but one paroche chirche, and that is of S. Cadocus.

Sum wold that Cairuske, otherwise caullid Brenbygey, <sup>233</sup> should be the principal place of Mydle Venteland. The castel ther hath bene great, stronge and fair. The town by semeth not to [have] bene of any renown. Ther was a late an abbay [of] nunnes. Cairusk standeth on the farther side of Uske .... myles from Cair Lion.

The ruines of castel Trogy within a Welsch myle [ofl sum part of Wyske Ryver, a vi. myles from Ch[epstow], and almost as much from Cairlion, in the w[ay to Monemuth.]

The castel of Trergreg<sup>234</sup> a ii. myles from Cair Uske in /45/Middle Venceland. Monmouth-Yt is otherwyse communely cawlled Lan Kiby, bycawse it is in the paroche of S. shire. Kiby.

Newport is in Wentlugh <sup>235</sup> a myle and more by foote path from Cairlion, and standeth on Uske, havyng a prety stronge town; but I marked not whyther yt were waulled or no. There is a very fair castel longging sumtyme to the Bukkinghams. But this great lordship, as the Walsch-men say, ys no part of the iii. Vencelandes, yet it is cawlled in Walsch Guentluge. <sup>236</sup> Wherfore yt might in description be welle yoined with Myddle Venteland. The lordship of Newport be likelyhod should strech to the ryyer of Remny, <sup>237</sup> *limes Morganiae*.

At Goldclif a iii. myles from Newport on the Severn shore was a priory of monkes of the French ordre, suppressed, and the landes given to Eton College.

232 Wysc = Usk

Ragland yn Myddle Venceland ys a very fair and a pleasant castel, viii. myles from Chepstow and vii from Burgeveney.<sup>238</sup> The town by ys bare. Ther ly to goodly parkas adjacent to the castel.

Lanternham Abbay of White Monkes a ii. myles from Cairlion lately suppressed.

The hole lordship of Abregeveney maketh the cumpace of Hye Venteland.

Abergeveney yt self is a faire waulled town, meately welle inhabited havyng .... paroch chirch. Ther is a fair castel. The lord of Burgeveney ys one of the auncyentest barons of the regalme. 239

# MUNMOUTH, MUNWEY <sup>240</sup> cambrice.

fo.8.

Munmouth town ys waulled, and standeth yn the diocese of Herford as betwyxt ii. ryvers, Wy and Mone, of the which yt taketh name. Of thes ii. ryvers Wy to us standeth lower, and Mone Mone Mone Mone Muro cingitur ea parte qua fluminibus non defenditur, hoc est a parte aquilonari, id est a porta /46/ monachia, et orientali usque ad ipsam fere ripam

aquilonari, id est a porta /46/ monachia, et orientali usque ad ipsam fere ripam Vagae. Sed jam prae senio, muro fatiscente, pars magna praesidii collapsa est, manentibus tamen adhuc magnis ruinis, et fossa alta. Rursus a porta monachia murus ad occidentalem partem Monae flu protenditur. Portae in muro 4or videlicet monachica, orientalis, Vagensis,a Vaga sic dicta, Monensis, a Mona flu. quia super pontem per quem Mona transitur posita est. Ultra quem pontem suburbium est in dioecesi Landavensi, ubi olim erat parochialis S. Thomae sacra, nunc sacellum tantum eidem dicatum. In oppido parochialis ecclesia tantum una, quae contigua est coenobio monachorum Benedictorum. Castellum vetus prope forum in colliculo situm, ubi Henricus 5. natus est. Saltus Danubiensis & provincia Claudiana solo ponte Vagensi a Mona oppido disterminantur. Mona liberum oppidum, ditionis Lunensis, nec adjacentis provinciae imperiis subjacet. Suburbia omnia Monae, nisi ea parte qua fluminibus tutantur, altissima fossa cinguntur. Troia antiqua sedes Herebertorum plus minus quingentis passibus a Monae suburbio distat. Extra portam aquilonarem, i.e monachicam, est Herchenfeld, i.e Campus Erinaceus, regiuncula comitem Salapiensem dominum agnoscens.

Tintern coenobium Barnardinorum in ulteriori ripa Vagae quique passuum millibus distans a Mona.

The rokkes in North-Wales cawlled Venetia<sup>242</sup> beyng very hy, bare, and white, may properly be caulled in Latine Alpes Venetae.

The water of Severne compaseth more then one half of Guenteland.

Wye also a very great and famose river passeth thorough Ventland, and at S. Tereudakes  $^{\rm 243}$  Chapel entereth ynto Severn.

Other smawl brokelettes in Base Venteland cummeth ynto Wy.

<sup>233</sup> Bryn Buga = Usk

<sup>233</sup> Bryn Bugu C.

<sup>234</sup> Tre y grug.

<sup>235</sup> Gwynllwg.

<sup>235</sup> Guenthloge. Leland is mistaken. The hundred is called after Gwynlliw - the oldest form being Guinliviuc. Gwent has nothing to do with it. J. G. E.

<sup>237</sup> Rumney.

<sup>238</sup> Leland corrected this to Abvegaveney, i.e. Aber Gevenni.

<sup>239</sup> Here three pages are blank.

<sup>240</sup> Mynwy, Anglicised Monnow

<sup>241</sup> See note 219

<sup>242</sup> Venedotia.

<sup>243</sup> Teudiric, i.e. Theodorici = Mathern

Whisk  $^{244}$  River toucheth late *per mediam* Ventaniam, and ys as a terminus to Breknokshire.

Geveny risith ....

Remeney <sup>245</sup> is as a *limes* to Myddle Ventland and Glamorganshire.

/47/Money<sup>246</sup> River rising in Ewesland<sup>247</sup> geteth a prety botom at Trewen, a gentilman's place a x. myles from Monemuth, et tandem non procul ab urbe sui shire.

nominis Vagam petit.

Castelles in Monemuth lordship. Monemuth, the Kinges, sumtyme of Lancastre dition. Skenford<sup>248</sup> Castel on the ryver of Money a iii. [miles] above Monemuth. \\'hite Castel a iiii. myles from Monemuth, and a myle from Money River. Gresmont Castel a v. myles from Monemuth not far from the ripe of Money. Qui partes area haec castella habitant nexios Monam mittunt.

Herchinfeld<sup>249</sup> is a great lordship longging to the Erle of Shrewisbiry, and lieth betwyxt Monemuth and Herford, abowt a ii. myles from eche of them. On the one side *alluitur Vaga flu*.

Garan *fluviolus* riseth y n a wood cawlled the Grege<sup>250</sup> a vi. [miles] from Monemuth by north-west, as a husband-man told me, and goeth into Wye.

They cary their prisoners to Castel Goderyce<sup>251</sup> sumwhat owt of Erchynfeld, <sup>252</sup> but longging to the Erle of Shreuisbyri.

Gentylmen cawlled Minos be great possessors yn Erchynfeld.

The castel of Kilpek by Herchenfeld belongging to the Erle of Ormond.

Erchenfeld is full of enclosures very [full] of corne and wood.

Cummynge from Monemuthe into Herford I passed over a large bridge of stone Herefordset on iiii. arches. This town is auncient, large and strongely walled, also having a mayne castel hard by the ripe of Wy. I take the castel to be of as great circuite as Windesore. The dungyn of the castel is hy and stronge, and yn the dyke not far from yt is a fair spring cawlled S. Ethelbertes Well. Withyn the castel of Hereford yn diggings hath ben found non giganteae, insolitae tamen,magnitudinis ossa, and hard by in ripa Vagae assidua alluvione apparent in ripa ejusdem magnitudinis ossa. The walle of the towne is cumpased with a dike alway filled with morisch water gathering and descending onto hyt. Certen mylles servid with this water causeth the town dikes alway /48/to have water, els they wold often be dry.

This water resorteth to the botom of Wy. Ther be in the towne iiii. paroche chyrches (one of them is yn the cathedral chirch) wherof certeyne be very fair, beside the cathedral chirche, the which is of a very strong building. S. Ethelbright martyred, as sum say, at Marden

a .... myles owt of the town, nat very far from the ruines of Sutton, wher yt is supposed that Offa lay (but I think rather that is palace was at Kenkestre), was buried in the cathedral chirche; but syns that the Walschmen destroied the town in King Edward the Confessor's tyme his reliques have not bene sene ther. S. Thomas de Cantolupo Episcopus Herefor. lieth at this tyme in the chyrch rychely shrined. Ther be in the suburbes ii. paroche chirche[s], a celle of Blak Monkes longing to Glocester Abbay, ii. houses of Freres Blak and Gray, *utraque in suburbiis*. Sum say that the town toke the name that yt hath now of an old forde or passage over Wy, not far from the castel. Sum say that yt was cawlled Fernlege<sup>253</sup> or otherwise Fernhil, and the place wher the cathedral chirch is now was sumtyme a chapel of our Lady cawlled our Lady Chapel of Fernlege.

#### fo. 10. ABBAYS IN HEREFORDSHIRE.

A priory or celle of Blak Munkes longging to the howse of Glocester in the suburbes of Hereford.

Lynebroke a place of nunnes withyn ii, myles of Wygmore, in the marches betwixt Herfordshire and Shrewisbiry-shire.

Wigmore a great abbey of White Chanons within a myle of Wigmore town and castel, in the marche ground toward Shreuisbiry-shire.

Feverlege sumtyme a religius howse of freres suppressed *olim*, and the landes given to Wygmore and Lynebroke. Mortimers Erles of the Marches were founders of Wygmore, Lynebrook, and Feverlege.

Acornbyri, <sup>254</sup> a howse of nunnes iii. [*myles*] from Hereford, now suppressed.

Leonmynstre a celle to Reading Blak Monkes, on the ryver of Lug, vii. myles from Hereford.

/49/Wormesley a house of Blak Chanons v. myles from Herford in a wooddy cuntery.

Hereford shire.

Monemuth Priory of the French order in the diocese of Herfordshire, suppressed.

Dour in Ewys<sup>255</sup> Land, a great house of Whyt Monkes, suppressed; and therby runneth a broke cawlled Worme. In the diocese, but not in Herfordshire.

Wy Ryver goeth thorough al Herfordshire, by Bradwardine Castel of Syr Richard Vehans, to Hereford viii. myles, to Rosse a market towne in Herfordshire.

In Wy River be umbers, otherwise graylinges, yn Walsch, as I remembre, cawllid cau[gin.]<sup>256</sup>

Lug risith hard by Melennith, and nere a chapel of owr Lady of Pylale, and so to Preston <sup>257</sup> a market towne a ix. myles, to Leonmynstre a market town vii. myles, to Mordeford a vii. myles of, and so ther ynto Wyiii. [miles] beneth Herford.

<sup>244</sup> Wysc

<sup>245</sup> Rumney

<sup>246</sup> Mynwy, Ewias

<sup>247</sup> Ewias

<sup>248</sup> Skenfrith, i.e. Ynys Kynwreidd

<sup>249</sup> Archenfield, i.e. Erging

<sup>250?</sup> Crug

<sup>251</sup> Gooderich Court

<sup>252</sup> See note 228

<sup>253 &</sup>quot;Saltus silicis, as Mr. Taylor said." Marginal note in Leland's MS.

<sup>254</sup> Aconbury.

<sup>255</sup> Abbey Dore.

<sup>255</sup> Caugwyn. The word is at the end of a line and partly cut off. Stow copied it "Caytas," Burton "Cangin".

<sup>257</sup> Presteigne.

Fromey a byg broke, sumtyme raging, cummeth by Bromyard, as I remembre, and so ynto Lug, and abowt yt be very good pastures.

Leonmynstre alluitur tribus fluviolis, Lugia, [Pinse]lo [Pinfulley]<sup>258</sup>, tertii nominis non memini (Kenbroke). <sup>259</sup> Lugia parte oppidi inferiori utrumque in se recipit. Pinselus paucis ab oppido [pass.] millibus oritur.

Arow River goeth sumwhat nere Leonmynstre town, but not thorough yt.

Arow risith betwyxt Eluethland <sup>260</sup> and Melenithland, and thens goeth by Old Radenor, and by Huntingdon, sumtyme a lordship of the Luke of Bokingham's, and at the laste cummeth ynto Lug half a myle beneth Leonmynstre.

The ryveret that cummeth by New Radenor is cawlled Somergille. <sup>261</sup> One told me that Oney cam sumwhat towar[d] Ludlo-w ard, but I dowte of that. - Syns I lernid that Oney <sup>262</sup> cam

Hereford-shire. /50/into Teme about Bromfeld a celle by Ludlo. - The dwell ers of the towne say constantly that Oney cummeth not by Radenor.

Shropshire.

Alias Temys

Of surety ii. brokes cum by Ludlo yn Shrewisbiri-shire, that is to say Temde, and Corve. Temde cummeth ynto Severn betwyt Powik and Wykcestre.

The town of Ludlo is very propre, welle walled and gated, and standeth every way eminent from a botom. In the side of the town as a peace of the enclosing of the walle is a fair castel. Withyn the town even yn the mydle is one paroch chyrch. Without the waulles be *aliquot sacella*, and ii. howses of Freres Augustines and Carmelites. Among other gates of the town ther is Corve-Gate and Galford Gate.

The Bishop of Hereforde hath a castel of good strenketh yn the marches toward Shreuisbyri-shire cawlled Bisshops Castel, and ther to lieth a town cawlled Bisshopes Town, wher is wekely kept a very good market.

fo.11 is blank. fo.12.

#### ABBAIS AND PRIORIS IN SOUTH-WALIS.

South At Chepstow a litle priori *aliquot monachorum Benedictinorum*, a celle to Bermundesey at London.

Tintarne an abbay of White Monkes on the ripe of Wy, about a v. miles from Chepstow. Monemouth a priori of Blake Monkes.

Abregeveni a priori of Blake Monkes of the French ordre. Hamelinus de Barham, a Norman, was founder there. It stoode a late by the est gate in the suburbe.

Uske a priory of nunnes at Cair Uske on the river side a flite shot from the castel. It is a v. miles upward on the river from Cairlleon.

Grace of Dew an abbay of White Monkes stonding in a wood and having a rille running by hit. Veri good pastures be about this place. It stondith bytwixt Wisk and Raglande, iii. miles from Cairvisk <sup>263</sup> and iiii. from Raglande.

Llantarnam Abbay of White Monks stonding in a wood iii. miles from Cairlleon.

Wenny<sup>264</sup> a iii. miles from Cowbridge a celle longging to /51/Glocestre Abbaye foundid by Syr Jo[hn] Loudres lord of Ogmore Castel by ....

Morgan<sup>265</sup> an abbay of White Monkes wher was a veri large and fair chirch. It stondith toward the se in the midde way almost betwixt Cowbridge and Nethe.

Neth Abbay of White Monkes a mile above Neth town, standing also in the ripe of Neth. It semid to me the fairest abbay of al Wales.

Kidwelly a priori of Blake Monkes containing the hedde paroche chirch of the town. It is a celle to Shirburne Abbay in Dorsetshire.

Cairmardine <sup>266</sup> a priori of Blake Chanons standing in Old Cairmardine on the river side. S. Cleres <sup>267</sup> vii miles from Cairmardine was a litle monasteri suppressid and given to

S. Cleres 267 vii miles from Cairmardine was a litle monasteri suppressid and given to Alsoulen-College in Oxford.

Teguin ar Taue <sup>268</sup> an abbay of White Monkes a x. miles from Cairmerdine.

Ther was [a] celle of the order of monkes of S. Dogmaels in Caldey Island now suppressid.

Montaine.

Penbrooke a celle of monkes longging to S. Albanes. Monastery.

At Arforde West<sup>269</sup> a priori of Chanons.

Pille, otherwise Pille Rose, a house of monkes of S. Dogmaels Order, standing in Rose Cimtery iiii. miles above Arford West apon the farther shore of the Haven of Mylford.

The priori of Bonhomes caullid S. Dogmaels.

Ther was a priori in Cairdigan toune, but in hit was but a i. religiose menne Blak Monkes. It stondith yet, and is a celle onto Chertesey.

Llan Lleyr a nunnery of White Nunnes in Cairdiganshire apon the brook of Aeron. Fanum S. It was a celle of Stratflur, <sup>270</sup> and stoode from Stratflere x. miles in the hy-way to Cairdigan. The village hard by it is caullid Talesarne <sup>271</sup> Greene.

Strateflure an abbay of White Monkes on Tiue. 272

Aber Ayron is a iii. miles beneth Llanclere, <sup>273</sup> and ther he goith into the maine.

South Wales Peraventure Lleuys Morganne the /52/barth was deceived in this, taking t for Neuport. Ayron risith in a montaine by a chapel caullid Blaine Pennial. <sup>274</sup> This chapel longith to Llandewibrevj, but it is in Cairdiganshire over Tyue<sup>275</sup> a iii. or iiii. myles

<sup>258</sup> Leland appears to have corrected the first word by the second; both are now gone, except lo at the beginning of the next line.

<sup>259</sup> Leland later wrote "Kenbroke" over tertii.

<sup>260</sup> Elvel -land.

<sup>261</sup> Leland first wrote Oney, but corrected it thus.

<sup>262</sup> Onney R.

<sup>263</sup> Caerwysc.

<sup>264</sup> Ewenny.

<sup>265</sup> Margam.

<sup>266</sup> Carmarthen, Priory Street.

<sup>267</sup> St. Clears.

<sup>268</sup> Tv gwyn ar Dav

<sup>269</sup> Haverford West

<sup>270</sup> Ystrad fflur.

<sup>271</sup> Tal y sam.

<sup>272</sup> Teivi.

<sup>273</sup> Llan Lleyr. Lewis Morgan was not "deceived". J.G.E.

<sup>274</sup> Blaen pennal.

<sup>275</sup> River Teivi.

from Tyue ripe.

Talley <sup>276</sup> a priory of White Chanons, a iiii. miles from Abermarleys, a castel of Sir Rhese ap Thomas almost standing in the midde way almost betwixt Brekenok and Cairmardine.

Comehere <sup>277</sup> an abbay of White Monkes stondith betwixt ii. great hilles in Melennith in a botom wher rennith a litle brooke. It is a vii. miles from Knighton. The first foundation was made by Cadwathelan ap Madok <sup>278</sup> for ix. monkes. No chirch in Wales is seene of such lenght as the fundation of walles ther begon doth show; but the third part of this worke was never finisched. Al the howse was spoilid and defacid be Owen North Glindour.

Wales. Clunnok Vaur<sup>279</sup> a monasteri sumtime of White Monkes suppressid many yeres ago. But the original of this monasteri was by S. Benow, <sup>280</sup> of whom mention is made in S. Wenefrides life. The Whit Monkes were of a newer fundation. Guithin, uncle to one of the princes of North-Wales, was the first giver of Clunnok village and place to Beunow. The chirch that is now ther with crosse isles is almost as bigge as S. Davides, but it is of a new worke. The old chirch wher S. Beunow liyth is hard by the new.

This Clunnok stondith almost on the shore of the maine sea x. miles above Cair Arvon <sup>281</sup> toward the counteri of Lline. <sup>282</sup>

Matravel Castel in Poisland, 283 wher, as sum sai, was one of the princes palaces of Walis as for the Prince of Poisland.

In the depes in Mone <sup>284</sup> wher they digge turves be founde greate rootes of trees that serve men for wood. For after the trees wer cut doune sogging yerth and messe overcoverid them, and now the same yerth parid away for turves the old mayne rootes appere.

Likewise at low water about all the shores of both shores /53/of Aberdeui and Wales Townen<sup>285</sup> Merioneth appere like rootes of trees.

Ther is in Mene as right againe Neuen tounne in Lline, <sup>286</sup> that is a kenning of, a little isle caullid Sainct Dunwen, a woman, and in this isle is the chirch of S. Dunwen. This isle is veri fertile of cunnies, and hath ii. fair welles. Ther is now a litle balk of sand cast up, the wich at low waters prohibitith the se to cum about.

This isle is a ii. mile from Henerosser. 287

Ther is by Conwey on the hither side of Conway water an arme like a peninsula, caullid Gogarth, living against Prestholme, and ther be the ruines of a place of the bisshops of Bangor.

276 Talley, a contracted form of Tal y Llycheu.

Raeder<sup>288</sup> the chefe village of Melennith, and Wy River rynneth by hit.

Walsche Poole v. miles from Montgomery, the best market of Powisland.

Clunne<sup>289</sup> was a praty market towne, and yet sometyme they keepe market there. Clun, alias Colunwye.

fo. 14.

Montgomeryshire

CASTLES IN MONTGOMERIKESHIRE.

Montgomerik.

Stow, v.,

Walschpole had 2. Lorde Marchers castles within one waulle, the Lorde Powis fo. 117 namid Greye, and the Lord Dudley caullyd Sutton; but now the Lord Powys hathe bothe in his hond. The Walche Pole is in compas almoste as muche as [a<sup>290</sup>] litle towne. The Lord Duddeles parte is almoste fallen downe. The Lord Powys parte is meatly good.

Clunne Castell longynge to the Erle of Arundal, sumewhat ruinus. It hath bene bothe stronge and well builded, vii. miles from Mountgomerik, and iii. from BisshopsTowne, and x. from Ludlo.

Clune was a lordshipe marched by it selfe afore the new Acte.

Montgomeryshire.

/54/By Clune is a great forest of redde dere and roois longinge to the Lord of Arundell, and standinge in the lordshipe of Temecestre, thrwghe the whiche Teme Ryver cummethe longinge also to the Lord of Arundle.

Dolveron Castle<sup>291</sup> ruinus in the lordshipe of Kidowen apon an halfe mile or more from Severne, a iii. miles up Severne from Montgomery, and was the very chefe place of the hole lordshipe of Kidewen.

Cair Dicol<sup>292</sup> is a iiii. miles from Montgomerike. It stondithe in Chyrbiry Hundred on a hille, and is motyd and diked lyke the mote a mile owt of Bysshops Towne.

All Chirbyri Hundrid by the new Acte is adjecte to Shrobbschere. Afore the devisyon it was a member to the lordshipe of Montgomerike, and then Worthinge vilage, vi. mils from Montegomerike, was a *lymes* to Shropshire, but now Shrobbshere some way towchithe within a mile and a halfe of Montgomerike towne.

It apperithe in the Acte what lordshipps be adjoyned to the v. new shires.

Kenlet a preaty broke in the vale by Montgomerike. His cowrce is about vii. miles in lengthe, and enterithe into Severne abowte a mile from Chirbyri Priory.

Clunne Forest very faire and good game.

Kery Forest, but no dere in it.

Kidowen Forest, but no dere in it.

Al the lordshipps set to Mongomerikeshire be for the moste parte mountainius, well woodid, and as they be usyd bettar for catell as gressy, then for corne; yet about Walschpoole and Montgomerik is good plenty of corne.

288 Rhaiadr

<sup>277</sup> Cwmhir.

<sup>278</sup> Cadwallon ap Madog.

<sup>279</sup> Clynog Vawr.

<sup>280</sup> St. Beuno.

<sup>281</sup> Caer yn Arvon

<sup>282</sup> Llyn

<sup>283</sup> Mathravel in Powisland.

<sup>284</sup> Mon = Anglesey

<sup>285</sup> Aber Dyvi and Towyn.

<sup>286</sup> Nevyn in Llyn. St. Dwynwen, the patrn saint of Llanddwyn Abbey, Newborough, Anglesey

<sup>287?</sup> Hendre Rossyr = Newborough

<sup>289</sup> Colunwy.

<sup>290</sup> Added by L.T.S.

<sup>291</sup> Dol Vorwyn Castle

<sup>292</sup> Caer Digoll on "Long Mountain".

In Hye or Uper Powesland northewestward toward Abreustwith 293 be 2. lordshipps. Arustle and Cauilioc. 294

In Rustle<sup>295</sup> is no praty towns, or of any market, but Llanidles. Yet at poore Cairllews<sup>296</sup> hathe bene a market and borow privilegid.

In Cauilioc is none but Mahenclif. 297

Powis borderithe one way apon North Wals in Merionetheshire as concerninge the limits of Cauilioc<sup>298</sup> lordshipe, and is in lengthe by gesse a xx. miles. For it is xvi. miles betwixt /55/Cairllews and Mahenclif, and at the ends of eche of thes places it extendith Montgom somewhat from the townes. eryshire.

Low Pois is in lengthe from Buttigton Bridge a 2. miles from the Walche Poole toward Shrobbsheri onto above.

In all Hy Powis is not one castle that evidently aperithe by manifest ruins of waulls; and they wer wont to bringe in tymes past in the old Lord Duddley's dayes theyr prisoners to Walchepoole. Stowe, v.,

And in Low Powis is but onely the castle of the Walchepoole.

fo. 118

#### PRIORIES.

Llanlligan a veri litle poore nunneri about the border of Kidewyn and Nether Powis. Chirbiri a priori of Chanons in Chirbiri Hunderith 2. miles from Montgomerike. Muche of the stone and leade brought to repayre Montgomery.

Strate Marcelle<sup>209</sup> Abbey. White Monkes in Lowe Powis 2. mils from the Walsche Poole, hard on the farthar banke of Severne.

Mastar Mitten of Shropshire now lord of Mouthey<sup>300</sup> lordshipe set to Montgomerishire.

Keri lordshipe, Kidowen lordshipe, Alcestlitle lordshipe, the lordshipe of Treelte, alias 3. townes, longe to Montgomeri, as partes or members of it, and be in the Kyng's hand.

Arustle and Keuilioc lordshipps long also to the Kynge, late the Lorde Duddley's.

Clunne and Temecester lordshipps longe to the Lord of Arundle.

Al Nether Powis lordship with Walchepoole market and castel to the Lord Powis.

Llanwordell dyd longe to the Lord Duddley, now to the Lord Powis.

Dowder<sup>301</sup> lordshipe longid to the Lord Dudeley, now to Mastar Andrews of Oxfordshire.

Cardiganshire.

/56/CAIRDIGANSHIRE.

Cairdigan.

293 Aberystwyth.

294 Keveliog.

295 Arwystli.

296 Caer Sws.

297 Machynlleth.

298 See note 273

299 Ystrad Marchell.

300 Mowddwy

301 Doyddwr.

Abreostuthe 302 hath bene waullyd, and hathe greate privilegis, and is bettar market then Cairdigan.

There is but a great hill bytwyxt Ostwith River and Stratflure, so that ther is but distance of 2. miles by twyxt the streames of Tyue <sup>303</sup> and Ostwith.

Abow Strateflure cummithe owt of the mountaines a wild watar, and govthe into Tyue. 304 The water, as I hard say, is caullid Glesse rode. 305

There is a Lline<sup>306</sup> a iiii. miles from Stratflure caullyd Llin Tyueabout .... in bredthe. Tyue cummithe out of this poole, so to Strateflure Abbay, and there aboute commithe in Glesrode burne, sumwhat benethe the abbay. Glesrode risethe a 3. miles from Stratflure in the mountavnes in the hv wav toward Buelthe.

Tyue or evar he cum to Stratflure, takethe but a lytle botom, but fletithe and ragith apon stones as Glesrode dothe.

And or Tyue cum to Stratflure he reseivithe a litle brooke caullyd Llinhiglande.

Glesrode sometyme so rageth that he cariethe stones from there placis.

Tyue goith from Stratflur to Tregaron a village a iiii. miles of on the hither side, and this committee in a nother brooke caullid Crose<sup>307</sup> that within a litle goithe into Tyue.

Grifin Dun Justice of Cairmardine tolde me that ther is a place about Strateflure caullyd Cregnaullin. 308 as a stone or rokket from whens a man may se ix. llines. 309

## ABBAYES AND PRIORIE.S 1N CARDIGANSHIRE.

Strateflur<sup>310</sup> apon Tyue xxiiii. miles of montaine ground from Brekenauc.

Talley <sup>311</sup> a priori of White Chanons in a valley within 3, mils of Abermarlais, and it stode in Carmardvnshire.

/57/Landewi<sup>312</sup> breui a prety village and a college of xiiii. prebends longinge to S. David's, It stondithe 2, mils from Tregaron, and by Landewi rinnith a streme caullyd Breui. 313

MARKETTES IN CAIRMARDINSHIRE.

Cairmardine.

Stowe, v., fo.119: Leland,v., fo.22

<sup>302</sup> Aber Ystwyth.

<sup>303</sup> Teivi.

<sup>304</sup> Teivi.

<sup>305</sup> Glas ffwrd.

<sup>306</sup> Llvn

<sup>307</sup> Crwys.

<sup>308</sup> Craig-naullyn.

<sup>309</sup> I.e. may see nine pools or lakes.

<sup>310</sup> Ystrad Flur or Strata Florida.

<sup>311</sup> Tal v Ilvcheu.

<sup>312</sup> Llan Dewi brevi.

<sup>313</sup> Brevi.

#### CASTELLES IN CAIRMERDINSHIRE.

Carmarthenshire

Cairmardine.

New Castel, alias bi the old name Elmelin, <sup>314</sup> almost on the very banke of Tyue, but in Cairmardinshir, repaired or new builded by Syr Rhese ap Thomas. In this lordship of Elmelin is other litle fair building. Ther is a litle forest by Elmelin, and a park was ther ons palid.

Clare Castel ruines hard by Saint Cleres Chirch vi. or vii. miles from Cairmairdin. Llanstufan in *ostio Tevii*<sup>315</sup> flu.

Lacharne in *ostio Tauae flu*. Taua a little lower goith into Tewe. <sup>316</sup> It longid sumtime to the Erle of Northumbreland.

(Loke here about for Lanamdeueri Castel. 317

Tale Laug-

For Dineuer Castel apon Tewi <sup>318</sup> on the same side of Tewi that Cairmardine-shire is. Here was sumtime a long streat, now ruinus.

For Dryslin Castel apon Tewi<sup>319</sup> on the same ripe that Dineuer is. Drisloyn, <sup>320</sup> Dris [dyrys] *inexplicibilis*, lloyn a busch.)

Kerikennen <sup>321</sup> a iii. miles from Dineuer at the roote of Blake Montaine.

/58/ABBIIS AND PRIORIES IN CAIRMARDINSHIRE. 322

Carmarthenshire fo.23

Cairmardin Priori of Blak Chanons, down.

Teguin ar Taue, <sup>323</sup> Barnar dines, yet stondeth.

Talley Priory, White Chanons.

The Collegiate Chirch of .... was translatid to Abreguili<sup>324</sup> for vitiating of a maide, the Canons being killid or fleing for hit.

Aberguili a collegiate chirche of xx. prebendes or mo longing to S. Davids. And this is a lordeship of the Bisshop of S. David, lying amonge other lordshippes in Diffrin (valis) Tewe 325

Llandilavar <sup>326</sup> a lordship of the Bisshops of S. David a mile from Dinevor on the same side of the river that Dinevor is, but a mile above it.

## RIVERS IN CAIRMARDINESHIRE. 327

Tewi<sup>328</sup> risith in the montaines of Elennith, and cumming thens partith Cantermaur and Canteruehan by Laneneri, <sup>329</sup> by Dinevor, by Cairmardin, and by Landistufan <sup>330</sup> Castel into the

Taua<sup>331</sup> risith in the montaines of Presseleu<sup>332</sup> not far from Teguin ar Taue, by the which it cummith, and so by S. Clares, and not far from Abercorran<sup>333</sup> and Talacharne<sup>334</sup> it goith into the se. I hard ons that it risith in a montaine caullid Wrenne Vaur<sup>335</sup> a iiii. miles from Cairdigeon.<sup>336</sup>

Cowe<sup>337</sup> Riveret runneth almost in the middel way bytwyxt Cairmardin and S. Clares.

/59/I lernid ons that Kennenn Riveret risith in Blake Montaine and goith into Carmarthen-shire.

Kidwely, otherwise Cathgweli, *i.e. Cattileclus, quia Cattus olim solebat ibi* fo. 24. lectum in quecrcu facere, alias legi Cadweli. Ther is a litle toune now but newly made betwene Vendraith Vaur and Guendraith Vehan <sup>338</sup> rivers but hard apon Vendraith Vehan. Vendraith Vaur is half a mile of.

Ther is betwixt New Kidwelly and the Old but a bridge over litle Wendraith. <sup>339</sup> The old toun is pretily waullid, and hath hard by the waul a castel. The old town is nere al desolatid, but the castel is meately wel kept up. It longgid to the Duke of Lancastre. In the new toune is onely a Chirch of our Ladi, and by is the celle of Blake Monkes of Shirburne. Ther the prior is parson of our Ladi Chirch.

I saw ther iii. gates, and over one of them was the ruine of a fair toun haul, and under, a prison.

A peace of the new toune was lateli burnid. The new toune is three times as [bigge] as the old

Sins the Haven [of] Vendraith Ve[han] decaied, the new toune is sore [de]caied.

Cairmardine [ha]th incresid sins Kidweli Havin decaied.

... e, 340 as I remembre, Alice of Lon[don] wife to one of [the] Dukes of Lancastre lay in the castel, and did a [re]paration on hit.

<sup>314</sup> Emlyn, on the bank of the Teivi.

<sup>315</sup> Llan Stephan in osti Towy.

<sup>316</sup> The Tay and the Towy.

<sup>317</sup> Llan ym ddyvri = Llandovery, which is about thirty miles away.

<sup>318</sup> Dinevor on Towy

<sup>319</sup> Dryslwn upon Towy.

<sup>320</sup> Corrected to Drislluen.

<sup>321</sup> Carreg Kennen.

<sup>322</sup> This page, like some others, is written in two inks; heads were put in first and details written later.

<sup>323</sup> Ty gwyn ar Dav.

<sup>324</sup> Aber Gwili, near Carmarthen.

<sup>325</sup> Dyffryn Towy.

<sup>326</sup> Llan Deilio vawr.

<sup>327</sup> Leland first wrote "Giraldus" above this paragraph and the next, evidently as his authority for the statements as to the Tewi and the Taua.

<sup>328</sup> Towy

<sup>329</sup> Cantre mawr and Cantre bychan by ? Llan Dovery.

<sup>330</sup> Llan Stephan.

<sup>331</sup> Tay.

<sup>332</sup> Preseleu, ignorantly written "Preselly", "Basselle" is written over the word.

<sup>333</sup> Aber Cowvn.

<sup>334</sup> Laugharne.

<sup>335</sup> Y Vrenni vawr.

<sup>336</sup> Ceredigion = Cardigan.

<sup>337</sup> Cowyn.

<sup>338</sup> Gwendraeth vawr and Gwendraeth vechan.

<sup>339</sup> Gwendraeth.

<sup>340</sup> The missing word seems to be 'Here'. Stow omits these two paragraphs, marginal in the original.

Reparation was done on the castel [ag]aine the cumming of King Henry the VII. into [W]encelande.  $^{341}$ 

The castel is veri fair and doble waullid.

The se flouith by Vendreth Vehan, Rouith upon half a mile above the town of Kidwelley. Bothe Wendreth Vaur and Vehan goith into the se about a mile beneth the toune, al only a litle nesch of sand deviding their mouthes.

Ther lieth a long on eche side of Wendreth Vaur pittes, wher menne digge se cole.

At Llanelthle, <sup>342</sup> a village of Kidwelli lordship, a vi. miles /60/ from Kidwelli, the habintans <sup>343</sup> digge coles, elles scant in Kidwelly land.

Ther be ii. maner of thes coles. Ring coles for smith be blowid and waterid. Stones coles be sumtime waterid, but never blowen, for blowing extinguishit them. <sup>344</sup> So that Vendwith Vaur<sup>345</sup> coles be stone coles: Llanethle <sup>346</sup> coles ring colis.

In Kidwelli is litle wood, but in the very litle forest of Kidwelli within a mile of the town on Vendrath Vehan.

Lochor River partith Kidwelli land from West Gower lande.

Penbre<sup>347</sup> a litle lordship longging to Kidwelli lande ii. miles from Kidwelli by south est linyng.

The foreland bytwixt the pointes of the mouthys of Vendraethis is caullid Calicot, and this part of Kidwely land berith the best woolle of Hye Walys.

Toward the se side in Kidwelli land is good corne.

Eskenninge<sup>348</sup> commote hath no notable castel or goodly building or toune, and was in King (Edwarde) the (fourthes)<sup>349</sup> dayes a mere membre of Kidwelli lordship, but Syr Griffin Nicolas, graundfather to Sir Rhese ap Thomas, did by poure sumwhat sever them to take justice at Cairmardine and nat at Kidwelly.

Carnobthlon <sup>350</sup> commoth hath nother castel nor good tounne. I,lanelthle is in this commote. So that yn al Kidwelly land be iii. commotes, Kidwely, Eskenning and Carnolthlon. <sup>351</sup>

Eskenning and Carnobthlon be names of commotes, not of tounnes or villages.

Vendraith Vaur and Vendraith Vehan risith both in Eskenning commote, the lesse an, eight milys of from Kidwelli, the other about a x. and hath but a litle nesche of sand betwixt the places wher thei go into the se.

/61/Vendraith Vehan in one place cummith within iii. miles of Cairmardin. Carmarther-Nother of the Vendraithes cummith to ani notable place but to Kidweli.

The next great streme that cummith more southerly into the Severn Se is Lochor, <sup>352</sup> and that I did well perceive at the mouth of Vendraithis. Lochor devidith Gower-Land from Kidwelli lordship.

The next river by west to Vendraithes is Tewe, 353 that at Llanstufan 354 Castel a iii. miles of cummith into the Severn Se.

The Severn Se at ful water betith on the point of Llanstufan. At low water it is ii. good miles of. At ful se Taue<sup>355</sup> semith to cumme as it were to the mouth of Towe<sup>356</sup> River, but at low water marke a man may perceive how it ha[steth] to the se on the sandis hard by Towe.

Llanstufan is v. miles from Cairmardine, and about a iiii. miles above Llanstufan on the same ri[pe] is a place or clif caullid Grene Castel, wher that shippes use to ly at ancre. Smaul balinggers ot[her]wise cum to Cairmardine.

Beyond Llanstephan before the havin mouth lith a barre, so that shippis lightteli cum not in [with]owt a pilote.

Ther is in Gower-Land <sup>357</sup> bytwixt Suansey and [Lo]chor a litle promontori caullid Wormes Hedde, from the wich to Caldey is communely caullid Sinus Tinbechicus. From Swansey to Kidweli a xii. miles.

shire. [\*See Appendix A.]

From Kidweli to Tynbighe 358 a xvi. miles.

Tinby ys a walled towne hard on the Severn Se yn Penbrookeshire. Ther is a sinus and a peere made for shyppes. The towne is very welthe by marchaundyce: but yt is not very bygge having but one paroche chyrche. One thinge is to be merveled at. There is no welle yn the towne, as yt is saide, wherby they be forced to fech theyr water at S. John's without the towne.

Mainopir, i.e. Mansio Pirrhi, is now communely cawlled Manober <sup>359</sup> a towne of howsbondry,, the parsonage wherof is impropered to Christes College yn Cambridge. The ruines of Pirrhus Castel there, many walles yet standynge hole, do openly appere. This Place is iii. myles fro Tynby, and almost as muche from Pembrook, but not in the hye-way,

Pembroke-shire.

/62/for yt standeth nere the shore of the Severn Se. And agaynst this towne, or betwixt yt and Tinby, liyth Inis pir, i.e. Insula Pirrhi, alias Caldey.

A good deale upward above Milforde Haven lyith Great Scalmey <sup>360</sup> and Lytle Scalmey, one almost joyning to a nother, longing booth to the King, but not inhabited *propter piratas et celi inclementiam*. Great Scalmey hath no howse in yt, as I remembre. M. Hogan said that therein is a chapel. The fermers bring over thither shepe and coltes of horses, the which feede

<sup>341</sup> Gwentland.

<sup>342</sup> Llan Elli.

<sup>343</sup> Sic, but read "inhabitants".

<sup>344</sup> Stow has "the heat" for "them".

<sup>345</sup> Gwendraeth vawr.

<sup>346</sup> Llan Elli.

<sup>347</sup> Penbrey.

<sup>3/18</sup> Ic Kennen

<sup>349</sup> The two words in ( ) were written by Leland and then struck through, but no others written in their place.

<sup>350</sup> Carnwyllon commote

<sup>351</sup> See note 329.

<sup>352</sup> Llwchwr.

<sup>353</sup> Towy.

<sup>354</sup> Llanstephan.

<sup>355</sup> Tav.

<sup>356</sup> Towy.

<sup>357 [</sup>L.T.S. supplies no text for this note. *Ed.*]

<sup>358</sup> Tenby, in Welsh Dinbych y psygod.

<sup>359</sup> Maenor Pir, ignorantly written Manor beer.

<sup>360</sup> Skomer.

very wildely there; but the coltes taken fro thens be larger and better fed then harted or apt for

Schoukhold<sup>361</sup> Isle yoinith to Scalmey bygger isle then she, onli a passage for shippes deviding them. As I remembre it liyth souther then Scalme. These isles ly not far from the shore in the side of the mouth of Milleford Haven.

Beyownd Scalmey farther ynto the ende of the Sevem Se lieth a great blakke and hy rokke lyke an isle.

Gresse Holme is a good way into the se, and is but smaulle and without habitation.

Ramesey Isle conteinith iii. islettes, wherof the Bisshop of S. Davides is owner of the gretest, but the Cantor of S. Davids claymith another of them. In them is good feeding for sheepe and horses. And the Archidiacon of Cairmardin the 3.

Llanstufan Castel and brdship by the new Acte is remevid from Cairmardinshire and adject to Penbrookeshire, by cawse it longid in tymes past to the Erle of Penbrooke.

Narbarthe <sup>362</sup> a litle preati pile of old Syr Rheses given onto hym by King Henri the VIII. Ther is a poore village. Narbarth lordship cummeth almost from Est or Lower Gledy, <sup>363</sup> and so stil bi est nere onto Whitland wher Taue Water devidith it from Cairmardinshire. (In the statute caullid Herberth.) <sup>364</sup> Grifith Nicolas graundfather to Syr Rise boute it of the Duke of York, but after loste. By Narbarth is a litle forest caullid Narbarth Foreste.

Dueglevi<sup>366</sup> lordship is conteynid bytwixt the ii. rivers of /63/Glevi.<sup>366</sup> In this lordship or grounde be few or none notable buildinges. Ther is a litle rille betuixt the ii. Gleves<sup>367</sup> caullid Killell. *i.e.* Cultellus.

Lannhadein lordship on the est side Gledi<sup>368</sup> wher is a castel buildid on a rokke longging to the Bisshop of S. David and a village by ....

Therby is also a forest of redde deere caullid Lloydarth. <sup>369</sup>

Dewys land, <sup>370</sup> alias Pebidiauc, <sup>371</sup> and Canterdewy <sup>372</sup> bare of wood and meately plentiful of barly corne, and reasonably of al other corne.

Roche Castel longging to the Lorde Ferres and old Langeville knight of Bukinghamshire bytwyxt Harford West and S. Davids.

Slebyche comaundry of the Rodes liith apon the Est Glevy<sup>373</sup> even adjoyning to the west parte of Narbarth lordship.

Haverford West lordship hath the waullid toun of Haverford and castel. The water of Mylford Haven devidith the lordship from Penbrooke. In Haverford toun thre paroch chirches, one of them without the toune in [he] suburbe. Blak-Freres within the toune. Chanons without suppressid.

Rose<sup>374</sup> Market. The market is lost, and is now a poore village. It is as in the midde way bitwixt Arford West and Penbrok.

Gualwin castel and lordship is perteining to Harford West. It longgid to the lord of Northumbreland, now to Perot.

Harford lordship is in Roselande, and part of Rose 375 lordship occupieth sum of Pembrokeshire.

In the extreme part of Penbrokeshire after the old limites is a pore village caullid Angle touching hard apon Milford Haven.

Toward this extreme part of Pembrokshire be the *vestigia* of Martine Castel.

Marreys<sup>376</sup> a faire place longging to the Eliottes.

PembrokeBetwixt the ii. Gleves <sup>377</sup> by Harford West is a litle ryveret /64/caullid in Wals ch [Kyllell] <sup>378</sup> in Englisch Knife. One beyng requirid wher he lay al night answerid that he lay having a swerd on eche side of hym, and a knife at his hart, alluding to the iii. rivers in the midle of whom he lay al night.

Rowse<sup>379</sup> Lordship hath corne sufficient, and to selle to other, and especially toward Milford Haven. There is wood also competent.

Roche Castel withowte faile is yn Rouselande.

# In Pebidiauc. 380

The remayne tokins of Cairboias <sup>381</sup> Castel standing by Alen ryveret about a quarter of a myle lower then S. David on the same ryveret.

And sum say that there hath beene a castel at or aboute Port Maur, <sup>382</sup> but the tokens be not very evidente.

There is a litle woode at Perskilly<sup>383</sup> an viii. [miles] from S. David, bytwixt Fischard<sup>384</sup> and it, and moch better at Treugarn<sup>385</sup> a 4. miles ... <sup>386</sup>

<sup>361?</sup> Skokholm

<sup>362</sup> Natberth, older form Arberth.

<sup>363</sup> Cleddau or Cleddiv.

<sup>364</sup> Marginal note.

<sup>365</sup> Deugleddiv, ignorantly written "Dungleddy".

<sup>366</sup> Cleddeu or Cleddiv.

<sup>367</sup> See note 363

<sup>368</sup> See note 363

<sup>369</sup> Llwydarth.

<sup>370</sup> Dewi's land. i.e. St. David's land.

<sup>371</sup> Pebidiog.

<sup>372</sup> Cantre Dewi

<sup>373 [</sup>See note 363 Ed.]

<sup>374</sup> Rhos.

<sup>375 [</sup>See note 374 Ed.]

<sup>376?</sup> Marros, or St. Mary's = Maen clochog.

<sup>377</sup> Cleddau or Cleddiv.

<sup>378</sup> Word supplied by Dr. J.G.Evans

<sup>379</sup> Rhos, ignorantly written Rowse and Roose.

<sup>380</sup> Pebidiog.

<sup>381</sup> Clegyr Voia. Boia, a man's name, is stupidly confounded in the Ordnance map with the adjective mwya.

<sup>382</sup> Porth Mawr, at St. David's Head.

<sup>383</sup> Cf. Preseleu Forest on the West Cleddiv.

<sup>384</sup> Fishguard.

<sup>385</sup> Trevgarn, fourteen miles west of St. David's, on the Cleddiv.

<sup>386</sup> Foot of page torn.

There appere in dyvers partes of Pebidiauc hilles and dikes with bulwarkes of yerth as campes of men of warre or closures for catelle.

The soile of Pebidiauc is stony, yet there is meatly good corne. There is plenty of fisch bycause of the crekes.

#### S. DAVIDISLANDE.

S. David-Land beginnith at Newgulle<sup>387</sup> a crek servid with bak fresche water. There is a bay afore this creke betwixt it and Milforde.

There be divers other litle crekittes betwixte Newgalle and S. David Hedde, and againe betwixte S. David and Fischard<sup>388</sup> beside them that be written of heere. Newgull 6. **Pembroke- /65/** mile from S. David in the midde way betwixt Herford<sup>389</sup> and S. David.

A 4. miles from Newgal upward on the shore is Solvach, otherwise Salverach, a smaul creke for ballingars and fischar botes. And hither resortith a litle fresch water.

Thens to Porte Clays 3. miles, a litle havenlet, wither Alen that rennith thorough S. David Close cummith.

This Porte Clais lyith a myle south weste from S. David.

About a mile of is Port Maure, where is a greate sande with a shorte estuary into the lande. S. Stinans<sup>390</sup> Chapel is a mile strait weste from S. Davids, and ther is the Pass to Ramesey a myle of by water. This chapel is betuixt Portclais and Porth Maur.<sup>391</sup>

Then to Pendewi [or] S. David Hedde half a mile.

To Llan Rean<sup>392</sup> paroche, a prebend, 3. miles, where is litle creket.

S.Reanus Abbas

To Tredine 2. [miles.] Thens a peace of Llanrean paroch, wher the Bisshop of S. David hath a place, and here is a litle creket.

To Llanunda<sup>393</sup> pnroche about a 4. miles having a creke. Here about is hering <sup>S.Gunda</sup> fisshing.

Here Guevn<sup>394</sup> River devidith Pebidiauc from Fisschcard in Kemmeisland.

To Fischarde a 4. miles. Here is a li[tle haven, havynge a re]sort of [shippis.]

Syr John Talbot that maried Troutbeks heire dwellith in a good ly logge on the hy toppe of Albrighton Parke. It is in the very egge of Shropshire 3. miles from Tunge. <sup>395</sup> Shropshire</sup>

Corbet of Morton Corbet viii. c. marke Iande, it liith round about the shire. He hath a manor by Layton Bussard in Bukinghamshir.

Corbet of Lee, 2. Miles from Caurse Castel <sup>396</sup> of a yongger brother of Morton. It cam yn partely by mariage, c. mark lande.

Sum say that of late dayis Corbettes were owners of Caurse Castel.

Shropshire /66/Corbet of Langmer,<sup>397</sup> 4. miles from Shrobsbyri toward Ludlo. Ther is a park, xl. li. lande.

Syr Richarde Mainewering of Higthfeld, 2. miles from Whitchirch.

John Dodde of Cloreley, a mile from Hightfeld, <sup>398</sup> a c. marke.

Syr Robert Nedam of Sheinton, 4 c. marke lande.

Grosevenour of Beleporte, 3. miles owt of Draiton Market. This man and Grosevenour of Ei[tonl Bote in Chestre cam of 2. yongger brethern of Grosevenour of Houme, whos  $\nu$  doughtters and heires were maried ....

Shakerley of Lancastre maried the [eldest daughter, and had] the manor of Houme.

Newport of Archhaul a lordship of a c. li. with park, and hath a c. li. lande by. This man, and Mitton of Cotton by Shrobsbyri had Syr John Boroues landes in Shropshir and Warwik. Mitton had his best house More Haul in Warwicshire.

Leighton of Leighton.

Leighton of Watelesborow.

Leighton of Plasch a mile or 2. from Acton Burnel.

Leighton of Rodimer 2. miles from Chorleton Castel, and is on Roden Ryver.

Mitton caullid lorde of Mouthey,<sup>399</sup> but I trow he be but steward to the King there. His house is at Cotton a quarter of a mile owt of Shreusbyri, 2. c. mark lande.

Trentam of Shropshire dwellid in the toune self, wher his best house was, a man of l. li. lande. Now he hath sold his lande in Shropshir, and hath boute Rocestre Priory in Stafordshir on Dove.

Thornes of Shreusbyri, 1. li. land.

Onesloo of Oneslo, xl. li. land. 2. miles from Shreusbyri.

Oteley of Pichefert, 400 4. miles from Shousbyri and a mile from Acton Burnel, a c. li.

Skriven of Frodisley a mile from Acton Burnel, c. mark land.

Le of Longmer<sup>401</sup> a fair manor and park, c. li. land. a mile from Acton Burnel. He is elder brother to Le that maried Leig[h]ton's of Watelborow.

/67/Laken of Wyley, 402 wher is a park. 3. miles from Bridgnorth, 3. c. markes. Shropshire

Gateacre of Gataker, a c. marke lande, 3. mile from Brigenorth.

Wolrige of Dudmistre 403 of Severne Bank. c. mark lande. Haughton of Becbyri, 4. miles from Brigenorth. xl. li. land.

Yong of Caineton, c. mark.

Vernoun of Hodenet Syr Henry Vernoun sun. 2. c. markes by one of the heire of Ludlo.

<sup>387</sup> Newgale.

<sup>388</sup> Fishguard.

<sup>389</sup> Haverford west

<sup>390</sup> St. Stinans == St. Justinian.

<sup>391</sup> Porth Mawr is several miles from Porth clais, but Porth llisky lies about a mile to the west.

<sup>392</sup> Llan Rian.

<sup>393</sup> Llan Wnda.

<sup>394</sup> Gweun, ignorantly written Gwaen.

<sup>395</sup> Tong.

<sup>396</sup> Cawres Castle.

<sup>397</sup> Longnor.

<sup>398</sup> Cloverley, Ightfeld.

<sup>399</sup> Mowddwy in Merioneth.

<sup>400</sup> Pitchford.

<sup>401</sup> Longnor.

<sup>402</sup> Willey.

<sup>403</sup> Dudmaston.

Cotton of Cotton. a l. li. lande.

Chorleton of Apeley hard by Welington.

Chorleton of Wombridge unc[le to] 404....

Englisch Maylor lyith altogether on the south side of Dee conteyning 3. fo. 33. paroches, Oureton, 405 Bangor Vaure, 406 Hanmere. The paroches be very greate, and they have sum chapelles. There was a praty pile or castel at Oureton yn auncient tyme, the which was throuen doune by the violence of Dee Ryver chaunging his botom. For of olde tyme Dee ran half a mile from the castel yn a place of the valley caullid Whistan, where now is woode and ploughid grounde right agayne Oureton. The toune of Oureton hath had burgesses, but now there is not 20. houses. One parts of the diches and hille of the castel yet remaynith; the residew is in the botom of Dee.

The next paroche lower on Dee is Bangor. And yet yn deede Oureton is but a membre to Bangor, and Dr. Knight is parsone of it. This is Bangor wher the great abbay was. A part of this paroch, that is as much as lyith beyond Dee on the north side, is yn Walsche Maylor, and that is as half the paroche of [Ban]gor. But the abbay stoode yn Yn[glyshe] Mailor on the hither and south [side] of Dee. And it [is] ploughid gro[wnd now] where the abbay was by th[e space of a good Walsch myle, [and yet] they plough up bones of the [monkes, and in remembraunce] were dig[gid up pecis of theyr clothes in sepulturs.] The abbay stoode in a lintshire faire valley, and Dee ran by it. The cumpace of it was as of a /68/waullid toune, and yet remaynith the name of a gate caullid Porth Hogan by north, and the name of a nother caullid Port Clays by south. Dee syns chaunging the botom rennith now thoroug the mydle betwyxt thes 2 gates, one being a mile dim. from the other, and yn this grounde be ploughid up foundations of squarid stonys, and Romayne money is founde there.

Beneth Bangor stil lower on the south side of Dee Ryver is a paroche caullid Worthembre, <sup>409</sup> in Walch Guothumbre, having a faire chirch, but as a membre to Bangor.

fo. 34. Hanmere paroche lyith south est on Oureton, Bangor, and Worthembre; but so that these 3. ly bitwixt it and Dee Ryver. And sum parte of this yoinith apon Whit-Chirche Market [a] paroche in Shropshire, but in the egge of Chestershire, and apon Malpasse. This Hanmere is a very large paroche, and hath a greate deale more riches then all the residew of Englisch Maylor.

In Oureton is meately good woode, corne and pasture, and standith sumwhat on hyer ground than Bangor or Worthembre. Bangor hath goode corne and pasture, but litle or no woode, and lyith al yn [valleys, and in Worthembre] no woode [but good corne and pasture.]

Hanmere paroche hath good plenty of wood, corne, medow and pasture; and by Hanmere Chirch is a greate pole abouts a mile yn lenght, and half a myle yn bredth. And every

gentilman hath there his fayrepooles. There is a xl. gentilmen yn this paroch that have praty landes.

Pilston knight hath much land yn Hanmere, but his chefe howse is yn Worthembre paroche at a place caullid Emerhaule.  $^{410}$ 

Hanmere knight dwellith at Hanmer, and yn that paroch be *aliquot* of the Hanmers that hath landes.

There is a greate more <sup>411</sup> in Hanmore cawllid of sum the Fennys.

Dymok dwellith at Haulton.

Edward Pilston sunne to the knight dwellith yn Oureton paroche at Coitegolle.

/69/Ellys ap Richard dwellith yn Bangor at Alre 412 on Dee south syde, a fair Flintshire hous.

John Broughton dwellith yn Worthembre par oche at Broughton.

A1 this Englisch Maylor tho [it ly] not hard on Flyntshire, but h[ath Walshe] Mailor betwixte it and [Flynt,l yet it longith to Flynte[shire, and they] cum to sessions to Flynte.

Yet they have liberte in t[oken of] the olde castel to kepe a p[risoner] 3. dayes at Oureton, and so to [send hym to Flynt.]

Walch Maylor caullid yn Englisch Bromefeld lying on the north side of De, lower on Dee then Yale, and yoining hard apon Yale. It lyith est apon Holt Bridge, the which devidith Chestershire from Bromefelde. Flintshir liyth north on it. Diffrin Cluit 413 lyith west on it. And Englisch Mailer, alias Mailer Sesneg, *id est Saxonica*, lyith south on it.

Bromefeld is a playne countery, and hath good plenty of wood, and goode corne and pasture; and se-coles at Harwood, and at a place caullid the Mines.

The best woode of Bromefeld is yn Ruabon, a bygge paroch, by part wherof De cummith. There is a good quarre of grinding-stonys yn Ruabon paroch.

The Holt is a praty riche Walsche toune, governid by a mair e, having ons a yere a fair, but surely now no celebrate market. Yn it is a praty church, and a goodly castel. The chirch is but a chapel to Gresforde.

Gresforde is as faire a chirche as Wrexham, having a steple of vii. score foote hy, beside the 4. pinnaclid towers <sup>414</sup> This chirch is a 2. miles front the .... bank of De .... cum .... litle .... chirch .... n to .... if a .... th .... te .... he .... t to .... ande. <sup>415</sup>

Wrexham, treuly caullid Wrightelesham, is the onely market towne of Walsch Maylor, having a goodly chirch collegiate, as one of the fairest of all North-Wales, and is a 2. miles  $_{Denbigh}$  /70/ above the Holt on the same north side of the ryver. There longgith no prebendes to it, though it be collegiated. There be sum marchauntes and good bokeler makers.

<sup>404</sup> Foot of page torn. The next page and a whole leaf are blank.

<sup>405</sup> Overton.

<sup>406</sup> Bangor Iscoed.

<sup>407</sup> Porth Wgan ( i.e., Guocaun, modern Gwgan.)

<sup>408</sup> Porth Klais.

<sup>409</sup> Worthenbury.

<sup>410</sup> Emral.

<sup>411</sup> Mere or lake. - Evans.

<sup>412</sup> Alre.

<sup>413</sup> Dyffryn Klwyd.

<sup>414</sup> Leland has "Tower".

<sup>414</sup> The margin here on which this passage was written is nearly destroyed. We cannot restore it from Stow, as he moits all the part between the first and second words "Wrexham".

There cummith a broke caullid Wenbro thorough the toune. Wrexham is 3, miles north from De Ryver. Ther be 2. other paroches [(? in) Bromefeld, and so in all 4.]

## Waters In Bromefeld.

De. 416 fo. 35.

Alen.

Ruededoc Broke, having good trouttes, cummith in one place withy n a quarter of a myle of Wrexham, and goith vnto De a mile above the Holte Castel. 417

Abon that cummith by Ruabon<sup>418</sup> Chirch waul, and after renning lesse then a myle goith into Dee.

Pylleston the knight hath a faire maner yn Gresforde paroch at Llay 419 by marying an hevre doughter to one of the Hanmere.

John Eyton dwellid yn Ruabon.

John Pylleston sergeant at armes hath a manor and place withyn half a myle of Wrexham at Marsche.

Yale lordship yoinith to Bromefeld upon the farther side of De Ryver, and there is no parte of it on the hither side of Dee. There is in it a 4. or 5. paroches, wherof the moste famose is Llanarmon, i.e. Fanum Germani, and Llan Tegla, 420 i.e. Fanum Teclae.

Greate pilgremage and offering was a late to S. Armon.

Llannegwhiste<sup>421</sup> alias Vallis Crucis, ys yn Yale half a myle from Dee ripe.

Dinas Brane<sup>422</sup> Castel on a rokky hille stondith almost as neere as Vallis Crucis to Dee ripe, and going up on De water is sumwhat lower then the abbay.

Owen Glindour had a place yn Yale apon the north side of De caullid Ragarth v. mile above Dinas Brane.

Denbigh-Almost in the midle way betwixte Llanegwhist and /71/Rithyn<sup>423</sup> appere *vestigia* of a castel of Owen Glindour (as it is saide) caullid Keuen De, <sup>424</sup> i.e. the bakke of the Blake Hille wher now shepardes kepe shepe.

Chirk and Chirkland lye by south on De agayne Yale, so that De for a space devidith Yale and Chirke.

The hole soile of Yale is rokky, and by that not thoroughly fruteful of corne, yet yn diverse placis and valleyis betwixt hilles is meately good corne, medow and pasture, and especially for corne aboute Llaneghwiste, and Llanarmon.

In Yale vs plenty of kyne, shepe and gotes.

John Llued<sup>425</sup> dwellith in Llan Teglas <sup>426</sup> paroche.

Edwarde Llued 427 yn Llanarmon.

There is meately good wood yn the valley places of Yale, and especially at Llanegwhist, alias Vallis Crucis. The montaynis of Yale standing north be baren of wood. The people there for the more part brenne turffis.

De Ryver cummith by the side of Yale as *limes* betwixt it and Chirk.

The greatest water beside De that is yn any parte of Yale is Alen that risith in Llan Alen. 428 This Alen rennith doune from weste to este firste to Llantegla, to Llanarmon, to Llanuerrys yn Yale, thens into Molesdale lordship, at a place wherof caullid Hespalen 429 it rennith into the grounde by the space of a quarter of a myle, and there is a marche betwixt Moledale and Flynte, and after rising departith stille by v. Walsche miles in cumpase Molesdale from Flyntshire. Thense thorough Hope Dale, a lordship perteining to Flynt. Thens ynto Bromefeld, alias Mailor Camrege, 430 and half a mile benneth Holt-Bridg into De. This water hath mervelus good and greate trouttes.

Chirke and Chirkelande lyith on the hither side by south of De agnynste Yale, and weste of it upper on De hither ripe lyith a commothe of Merionithshir caullid Dernion, <sup>431</sup> and plaine south of this Chirke in sum place touchith Poys<sup>432</sup> lande. There is never a market toun in this lordship... At /72/Chirk self be a few houses, and there is on a smaul hille a mighty Denbighlarge and stronge castel with dyvers towers, a late welle repayred by Syr Wylliam shire Standeley, the Yerle of Darby's brother.

There hath beene 2. parkes. One yet remaynith caullid Blake Park. Keriog Ryveret cummith on the south side of Chirk Castel. De Ryver is wythin a myle of the north side of it.

The moste parte of Chirk and Chirkeland on the south toward Poys lande is great plenty of mervelus good woodde, and thorough reasonable wood. Moch o the lordship ys hylly, but yn valleys by De and Keriog good corne and medow, and in sum other places.

This lordeship or lordships in Walsch is caullid Guaine, and is devidid into Low and Hy Guayne 433

fo. 37. Gentilmen of Chirke.

Trevor dwelling in Chirk paroche at Place Newith. 434 Edwards sunne dwelling not far from Chirk Castel.

425 Llwvd

426 Llan Degla

427 Llwvd

428 Alun, Llyn Alun

429 Hesp Alun, about a mile east of Kilken

430 Maelor Cymraeg

431 Edernion

432 Powis

433 Y Weun, ignorantly written "y Waen"

434 Plas Newydd=New Palace

<sup>415</sup> Dvvrdwv = sacred water.

<sup>416</sup> The Clywedog flows south of Wrexham and into the Dee a little north of Pickhill Hall. The brooklet flowing into the Dee "a mile above the Holt Castel" does not come anywhere near Wrexham.

<sup>417</sup> Rhiw Abon.

<sup>418</sup> Llai .

<sup>420</sup> Llan Degla.

<sup>421</sup> Llan Egwestyl.

<sup>422</sup> Dinas Bran.

<sup>423</sup> Ruthin

<sup>424</sup> Keven du

## MOLESDALE YN WALSCH CAULLID STREDALEN. 435

In Molesdale is but one greate paroche caullid Plouhe (paroche) Wriothegrig, <sup>436</sup> of sum communely Molesdale, there longe 3. chappelles onto it. Sum say that Molesdale was ons a market toune. There be 2. fayres yet kept at Molesdale, but the wekely market is decayed. Yet it hath the name of a maire, and a greate numbre of houses be without token almost destroyed, and there hath beene 2. streates, as Streate Byle, <sup>437</sup> and Streate Dadlede <sup>438</sup> in Walsch, in Englisch the Court House Streate, byside other litle lanes. Now in al be scant 40. houses. At the north ende of Byle Streate appere diches and hilles yn tokyn of an auncient castel or buildinge there. It is now caullid Mont Brenebyley, <sup>439</sup> and on the side of it is a fayre springe. Alen Ryver cummith withyn a bou shot of Molesdale Chirche. And at the southe ende of the towne is a rylle caullid Houne, and sone after rennith into Alen.

/73/Robert Edwardes a gentylman dwellith at .... on the side of Alen yn Flintshire. Molesdale, having plenty of wood and goodly medow by Alen side. The wood thens is caried to Chestre a vi. miles of.

Moste parte of the paroch is meately level ground, having beside other thinges very good corne. And there be cole pittes a 3. quarters of a mile from Molesdale toune.

Ithel (*Angl*. Ellys) Griffith dwellith on the north side, scant a quarter of a mile from Molesdale toune at a place caullid Lloen (grove) Egrine. 440

John Wenne ap Roberte dwellid at a stone tower caullid Broncoit, 441 alias Regnaultes Towre, 3. quarters of a mile from Molesdale toune. There cummith a litle ryllet by this square toure caullid .... and a quarter of a myle beneth the tour goith into Alen descending from west to este.

There is a nother water in Molesdale caullid Avon Terrig almost as byg as Alen. Yet goyng from west to north-est it goith ynto Alen. Terrig Ryver cummith thorough a peace of Yale or it cum into Molesdale.

There be other smaulle ryllettys yn Molesdale. So that by springges and rylles this paroch beyng yn lenght a v. myles is wel servid of water and of dyvers other good thinges.

Molesdale lyith north on Hopesdale, and Yale lyeth west on it. Flyntshire lyith north on it, and  $Ardin^{442}$  by est.

Hope, alias Quene Hope lordship, longging chefely to the King. It conteynith but one paroche. The grounde ys hilly. In the valleys is meately good corne. Alen Ryver cummithe thorough it. In it be also other obscure rylles. The toune of Hope now decayid was sumtime

burgesid and privilegid, and is caullid yn Walsch Cairgorles. 443 Ther stonde yet greate walles of a castel set on hylle, wher be diggid good mille stonis of a blew girth.

Shropshire

Oswestre xii. miles north west from Shrobbesbyri.

It is from Traflon, 444 alias the WalschePole, xii. miles.

From Wrexesham x. miles.

From White-Chirch in Shrobbeshire xii. miles.

From Oswestre to Wrexham x miles, and then the hyway to Chester viii. miles.

Shropshire /74/From Ruthine xv. mile, and so to Denbigh v. mile.

From Flynt Castelle xx. miles.

From Ellesmere, wher was a castelle, and very fair polis yet be. Ellesmere hath a 4. streates of meately good building, privilegid with ii. faires, but no cummun market now.

fo. 39. The site of Croixoswalde 445 is on a plain in a valley xii. long miles by champain having almost no wood, north-weste from Shreusbyri.

The cumpace of the towne withyn the waulle is aboute a mile.

There be 4 gates, the New Gate 446 (Portnewith) by south.

The Blake Gate, alias Portdee 447 by south est toward Shrobsbyri.

The 3. Beteriche Gate, unde et vici nomen qua ducit in urbem, north est toward Chester.

The 4 Wulliho Gate, alias Montain Gate, *quia per eam ad vicinos montes itur guarta milliarii parte distantes*, north west toward the montaine of Penllin 448 in Merionneth. 449

There be no towers in the waulles beside the gates.

The tounne is dikid about and brokettes ren ynto it.

The Chirch of S. Oswalde is a very faire leddid chirch with a great tourrid steple, but it standith without the New Gate; so that no chirch is there withyn the towne. This chirche was sumtime a monasterie caullid the White Minster. After turnid to a paroche chirch, and the personage impropriate to the abbay of Shreusbyri. The cloister stoode *in hominum memoria ubi monumenta monachorum*. The place and streate wer the chirch standithe is caullid Stretllan.<sup>450</sup>

There he chapelles clene without the suburbes. One betwixt Stratllan<sup>451</sup> and Porth de <sup>452</sup> (Sacellum S. Joannis Bapt.). The secund without the snme suburbe within a bow shot of S. Oswalde (S. Osuualdi Sacellum ubi et Fons Osualdi). The 3. north est toward Chester (of S. Editha). Ther be withyn the 8wne a x. notable streates. The 3. moste notable streates be: the Crusse Streate, ubi crux <sup>453</sup> lapidea. The /75/Bayly Streate, ubi forum Shropshire.

Flintshire.

<sup>435</sup> Ystrad Alun

<sup>436</sup> Yr Wyddgrug=mons altus. Ploughe=Plwyv=Parish

<sup>437?</sup> Beili

<sup>438</sup> Dadleu-dy

<sup>439</sup> Bryn y beili

<sup>440</sup> Llwyn Egrin

<sup>441</sup> Broncoed

<sup>442</sup> Hawarden

<sup>443</sup> Caer Gwrle

<sup>444</sup> Trallwng i.e. Welshpool

<sup>445</sup> Croes Oswallt i.e. Oswald's tree

<sup>446</sup> Porth newydd

<sup>447</sup> Porth du

<sup>448</sup> Penllvn

<sup>449</sup> These phrases, describing the position of the gates, are in the margin in the original MS.

<sup>450</sup> Stryd y llan = Church Street

<sup>451 [</sup>See note 429 Ed.]

<sup>452 [</sup>See note 426 Ed.]

<sup>453</sup> Leland writes curx

maximum et mercatores. The 3. the New-Gate Streat.

Domus Civica, the Bouth Haulle of tymber, a fair house, standith by the castel.

Madocus, filius Meredoci, Princeps Poisiae, castrum, ut aiunt, posuit. Extat turris in castro nomine Madoci. Et ibidem camera Richardi 2. regis, constructa post coedem Arundovalii laesae majestatis condemnati.

The houses withyn the towne of Oswestre be of tymbre and slatid.

There is a bayly and sergiantes.

Ther is a castelle sette on a mont be likelihod made by hand and dichid by south west betwixt Beterice Gate and Williho Gate, to the wich the town waul cummith.

The towne standith most by sale of cloth made in Wales.

There is a fre schole on the south west side of the chirch made by one Davy Holbeche a lawier, steward of the town and lordeship, and gave x. li. land to it. Sum say that this David made David Yn yn London.

There be 4. suburbes. The greatest wherin be iiii. streates, thus caullid, Stratellan; the secunde suburbe strete Wulliho; 454 the 3. Beteriche, 455 wher be many barnes for corne and hay to the number of a vii. score several barnes. The 4. Blake Gate Streate, and ther be with other howses a xxx. barnes for corne longging to the tounes men. There goith thorowg the town by the crosse a broke cumming from a place caullid Simons Welle, a bow shot without the waulle by north-west. This broke 456 cummith in thorough the waulle betwixt Wulliho Gate and New-Gate, and so renning thorough the towne, and goith oute under the Blak-Gate.

S. Oswaldes Wel is a bow shot from S. Oswaldes Chirch in the feldes south west. Fabulantur aquilam brachium Oswaldi a stipite praeripuisse, sed excidisse ei quo loco nunc fons est superstitione nuper celebris Ther is a chapel over it of tymber and the fountein environed with a stone w[a]ll.

Shropshire. /76/Ther is a brook caullid Betterich, bycause it rennith thorough a bridglet of tymber at Beterich-Gate.

The 3. goyth under the stone bridges of Wulli-Gate, New-Gate and Blake-Gate. Then go they all 3. with Crosse Broke a mile lower by south west in to Morda Ryver.

Morda risith in a hille caullid Llanvarda<sup>457</sup> wher was a chirch now decaid. Sum say [th]is was the paroch chirch of Oswestre.

The soile about Oswestre is playn, except toward the north west into Merionithshere fruteful of corne and grasse.

There be wooddes toward Whitigton as in the lordshipe of Llouenhene <sup>458</sup> Dinas <sup>459</sup> in Witington Parke and yn Witington More.

Hene Dinas a quarter of a mile out of Oswestre northwest. The toune or castelle of Hene Dinas 460 standith apon a rounde hillet aboute half a mile in cumpace. Ther be iii. greate diches in the botom of the hillet cumpasing it, and in the toppe of the hille now grow great treas of oke. The commune people say that ther was cite withyn those diches. I think rather a campe Hene Dinas, of men of war, wheras peraventure was the campe when Penda and Oswaldes did fight. There is a nother hillet of caste yerth bytwixt it nnd Oswester not far from Dinas self.

The town of Whitington is a gret mile north est from Hene Dinas. It is a village in a valley conteining a hunderith houses, and hath 3 dichid round castelle not very large in the

[Fo. 41, see midle of the village.

p.80, note]

Hundredes of Merionithshire.

fo. 42b.

fo. 40.

Merionethshire.

Ardudwy streechith front half Traitmaur to Abermaw 461 on the shore xii. [myles.] At the mowth of Maw Ryver lyith a litle islet scant a bow shot over withoute habitation.

At ebbe it is fresch water aboute, and at fludde salt.

There be dyver rivers yn this commot that entre the se.

/77/Harlauche<sup>462</sup> Castel and market toune yn this hundrede.

Merionethshire.

Kemmer 463 Abbay is yn this hundrede.

Ther be a x. paroches yn it.

This hundrede is devidid into 2. partes, Huwch Artro and Isseartro<sup>464</sup> of Artro River that goith into the se about a mile above Harleche that is yn Isse Artro.

Kemmer [is] in Huwch Artro.

This commot nor no part of Merionithshire lyith in Crege Ery. 465 So that though this shire be montanius, yet is al Cregery yn Cairarvonshir.

Wher this commot is longeste uplandwarde it [is] xvi. miles.

Towarde the se side and low partes is summe good corne.

Meate good plenty of wood in this commot.

Talebonte<sup>466</sup> hundred touchith from Abermaw a litle upon the shore. The residew saving this point is yn the upland toward Keuiliauc yn Poyslande, and there justely marchith on Keuiliauc.<sup>467</sup> It is a viii. mile yn lenght, and vi. yn bredth. The best corne yn this is toward the se. It hath meately good plenty of wood.

Dolgethle 468 is the best village in this commote.

<sup>454</sup> Willow or Wallia

<sup>455</sup> Beatrice

<sup>456</sup> In the margin Leland has a note: "Cambr. Avon Crois [Avon Crwys]. Cros Brook. Fair walkes about St. Oswalde's Welle."

<sup>457</sup> Lan Vorda

<sup>458</sup> Leland has in the margin "Llouen a busch" and writes th just above the Ll. As if to indicate the pronunciation (which is wrong. J.G.E)

<sup>459</sup> Llwyn hen dinas

<sup>460</sup> Hen Dinas = old fort

<sup>461</sup> Aber Mawddach in full: contracted in Welsh to Bermo, and stupidly anglicised to Barmouth.

<sup>462</sup> Harlech

<sup>463</sup> Kymmer Abbey, near Llan Illtud.

<sup>464</sup> Uwch and Is Atro

<sup>465</sup> Craig Eryri i.e Snowdon

<sup>466</sup> Tal v bont

<sup>467</sup> Kyveiliog or Kyveilog

<sup>468</sup> Dol Gelle "Dolgellhe" was Leland's first spelling, copied by Stow

Commote Ystymaneir stretchith from the pont of Talebont to the very mouth of Deuy. 469 It is by the shore a ix. or x. miles. It cummith by March in Upland to the very bridge of Mahenclif, 470 and it yoinith also on Keuiliauc in Powis land.

In this commote is Towen. 471

This commote hath good corne, but meanly woddid as toward Mahenclif.

Wher now the wild se is at the mouth of Deuy, and farther into the se, were ons 2. commotes of good plentiful but low grounde caullid Cantre Gwaylode, <sup>472</sup> i.e. terra demissa vel subsidens planitie, now cleene eatin away.

Merioneth Commote Penthlline 473 lyith al up in the lande, and marchith /78/on Talebont, fo. 4 and Ardudwy, and Dernion 474 commotes of Merionithshire, and apon the lordship of Mouthey 475 yn Poislande, and apon parte of Denbighland.

In this commote is Llin Teggy 476 the hed of Dee Ryver.

Bale<sup>477</sup> a litle poore market is yn this commote withyn a litle of the hedde of Llinnetegy.

Much wood yn this commote.

Litle corne.

Plenty of pasture.

There be great hilles yn this commote.

Mouthey is now adject as another commote to Merionithshire. 478

Deyrnion <sup>479</sup> commote lyith thus on the est side of Penthline, and hath on the north side Denbighland, and Yale on the north est side, and hath on the south side Powys lande.

Dernion commote the beste woddid of al Merionithshir.

It hath yn the greate valley by De River good corne.

It bredith good horsis.

Henetour, i.e.

Vetus turris.

Hendwr.

In this commote ys the ruine of Toure Kenuyn<sup>480</sup> (nomen viri) now caullid Yr
Hendwr.

Owen Glyndour dwellid vn this commot.

Lluelin ap Irrwarth Droyndon<sup>481</sup> Prince of al Wales, had Grifith. Grifith had Lluelin. Lluelin had Catarine his heire. Catarine had Eleanor. Eleanor had Helene and Catarine. This Helene was mother to Owen Glindoure. Catarine had Meredik. <sup>482</sup> Meredik had Owen. Owen

469 Dyvi (Anglice, Dovey)

470 Machynlleth

471 Towyn

472 Cantre'r Gwaelod See notes to p.90 [1906 Ed.]

473 Penllyn

474 Edernion

475 Mowddwy

476 Llyn Tegid i.e Bala lake

477 Bala

478 The words "Mr. Griffith of Termone" are written above this note, as though he were the authority for the statement

479 [See note 474 Ed.]

480 Kynvyn

481 Llywelyn ap Iorwerth Drwyndwn

482 Meredith

had Edmunde Erle of Richemonde, and Jasper Erle of Penbroke. Edmunde had Henry the VII. Henry was, as I hard, posthumus.

Carnarvonshire. In Cairarvonshire in Huwhcurvay 483 commote is Llin ed/79/warchen, 484 wher [isl the

Swymming Island, and ther of it hath the name as of a suimming swarth of yerth.

There be yn Cairarvonshire ix. hundredes or commotes.

shire.

Llechwedd issa and Creythyn. <sup>485</sup> Crethin is so much of the hundrede of Llechwedd issa as is on the hither side of Conwey <sup>486</sup> River. This hundrede stretchith on the shore of the salte water to a litle above Penmain Vaure <sup>487</sup> that is a 4. miles above Conway. Conway toune is yn this hundrede.

Llechwed iha<sup>488</sup> hundrede goith up on the shore onto Avon Gegyn<sup>489</sup> beyound Penryne wher Mr. Grifith dwellith. One of the notablest thinges in this commote is Abreguynne <sup>490</sup> Gregin, wher was a maner or litle pile of the Princes of Wales.

Is curvay <sup>491</sup> hundrede stretchith from Abregyn<sup>492</sup> by shore to Avon Guruay. In this hundrede is Bangor and Cair Arvon and Dolebaterne<sup>493</sup> Castel. In this hundred is token of an old manor place, Lles yn Dynorwek <sup>494</sup> wher one Syr Grifith Lloid lay in King Edwarde the First [*tyme*], and bringging hym tydings of the byrth of <sup>495</sup> Edward Cairarvon was rewardid with this lande as sum say. It is yn the middle of the hundrede. In the olde toun of Cair Sallog, alias Cairsaint <sup>496</sup> or Segent, appere parte of the old castel yn the old toune, of the wiche castel is faullen into the haven salt wat er. Within this hundred is Dinas Emerys. <sup>497</sup>

Hughegurvay<sup>498</sup> hundered goith from above Guuay<sup>499</sup> Water onto Boulchryvel<sup>500</sup> the top of the hille by Vortigers<sup>501</sup> Valley. Clunnok Vaur is yn this.

/80/The 3. Commotes touching Lleene. 502

Carnarvonshire Dynllayen <sup>503</sup> hundrede goith up from Boulchrivel to a litle above the paroch of Penlleche. <sup>504</sup> Neuyne <sup>505</sup> is yn this hundrede.

Carnal shire.

483 Uch Gwrvei

484 Llvn v dvwarchen

485 Creuddyn. These two names are written in a different hand

486 Conwy

487 Penmaen mawr

488 Llechwedd ucha

489 Gregyn [this note is incorrect. Gegyn=Cegin is correct Ed.]

490 Aber Gwyn gregyn

491 Is Gwrvei

492 [See note 490*Ed*.]

493 Dolbadarn

494 Llys in Dinorwig

495 Leland has "with"

496 Caer Seint yn Arvon

497 Dinas Emrys, near Beddgelert

498 U[w]ch Gwrvei

499 Gwrvei

500 Bwlch yr Eivl

501 Nant Gwrtheyrn in Pistill parish

502 [This sentence introduces the next 4 paragraphs which are bracketed in 1906 Ed.]

Comote Mayne hundrede so caullid of a hille namid Uwch Mennith yn Llene. 506 Abredaron <sup>507</sup> and Berdesay is yn this, but the great parte <sup>508</sup> is the ground to the shore.

Al Llene is as it were a pointe into the se, and yn the hole is 3. Commotes, of the which this is the very point into the se.

Gaflogeon hundrede goith from the ende of Uwch Mennith in commot mayne towards Traithmaur as far as Abreerche. 509 In this commot is Pulthely. 510

Hiujonith<sup>511</sup> commote strecchith onto Traitmaure where Abreglasllynne<sup>512</sup> devidith. So that but parte of Traithmaur <sup>513</sup> is yn it. In this is Crekith <sup>514</sup> Castel and Pooretoun.

Nant Conwey hundrede is by the side of Conway Ryver, and goith upward to the hed of the ryver westward. In it be a v. paroches, Dolewithelan, 515 Penmachno, Bettus, Llan Rruchwin<sup>516</sup> and Treuereu. <sup>517</sup>

#### Market Townes in Cairarvonshire

fo. 47. Conwev.

> Bangor yn Iscurvay hundred hath ii. fayres a yere, but /81/skant a market every weke. There rennith a litle rylle thorough Bangor. [See page 85, 1. 27. J. G. E.]

Cairarvon <sup>518</sup> apon the hither side of Segent <sup>519</sup> River, in Iscurvay hundrede.

Carnarvon shire. shire.

Howsis of Religion.

Conwey Abbey. Enisenthle. 520

Bethkellarth. 521

A priory of White Freres by Bangor dedicate to Jesu.

- 503 Dinllaen
- 504 Penllech
- 505 Nevin
- 506 Llvn
- 507 Aber Daron
- 22 In the MS "but parte" were crossed through by Leland, apparently by mistake, with other words preceding these. 509 Aber Erch (locally pronounced as v Berch)
- 510 Pwll Heli *i.e* Brine pool
- 511 Evioonydd
- 512 Aber Glaslyn
- 513 Traeth Mawr
- 514 Crickieth
- 515 Dol Wyddelan. "Wythel an Yrisch sainct" marginal note
- 516 Bettws, Llan Rhychwyn and Trefriw
- 516 In order to bring the notes on Carnarvonshire together, the above passages, beginning with "There be yn Cairarvonshire ix. Hundreds" have been transposed. In the original (fos. 41,42) they immediately precede the "Hundredes of Merionithshire". Parts of some of these leaves in the MS are blank, and the whole of fos. 45,46
- 518 Carnaryon
- 519 Seint, modern 'saint'
- 520 Ynys Enlli, i.e. Bardsey
- 521 Beddgelert

There were ons White Freres at Rithyn yn Diffrin Cluit.

Mr. Garter told me that Gray of Rithin emong the armes of his auncetor gyvith the armes of the Lord Ruhan of Bretayne in [Fraunce. Wherefore loke] wither any of the [name] of the Rohans were ever lord of Ruthin, 522 or wither it toke name of hym.

Al Cregeeryri<sup>523</sup> is forest.

The best wood of Cairarvonshir is by Glinne Kledder, 524 and by Glin Llughy, 525 and by Capel Kiryk, and at Llanperis. Meately good wood aboute Conwey Abbay, and Penmachno, and about Cotmore, and Coiteparke<sup>526</sup> by Bangor, and yn other many places.

In Llene and Iuionith 527 is litle wood.

Cairarvonshire aboute the shore hath reasonable good corne, as abouth a myle upland from the shore onto Cairarvon. Then more upwarde be Eryri Hilles, and in them ys very litle corne, except otes in sum places, and a litle barle, but scantly rye. If ther were the deere wold

But in Lleene and Hiuionith<sup>528</sup> is good corne, both by shore and almost thorough upland. /82/Ther is but a bridge betuixt thes two.

In these 2, pooles be redde bely fisches caullid Thorgoughe, 529 id est, thori aut pectoris rubei. There be also of them yn Llin Tarthennyne, and in Llyn fo. 48. Boladulinne. 530 They be taken yn these 3. poles yn ordre, and taken yn one not sene vn the other. 531

Linne Dolbaterne. 532 2. Miles in lenght, and a *dim*. mile yn bredth. Linne Peris 533 alias Nant Manach (*Vallis monachus*) 534, a myle yn lenghte. Segent cummith first thorough Llinn Peris, and a bow shotte of ynto Dolbatern Poole.

Linne Doudhouc<sup>535</sup> nothing so bigge as Linne Perys.

Al yn the paroch of Peris. v. miles est south est from Cairarvon. And ly in valleis west north west from Llanperis.

Boladulynne is yn Hugh Curvay 536 hundrede, a vi. miles beyounde.

<sup>522</sup> Ruthin = Rhudd din i.e red fortress

<sup>523</sup> Craig Ervri *i.e* Snowdon

<sup>524?</sup> Glyn Lleder

<sup>525</sup> Glyn Llugwy

<sup>526</sup> Coetmor and Coed y Park, near Bethesda

<sup>527</sup> Llvn and Evionvdd

<sup>528 [</sup>See note 527 Ed.]

<sup>529</sup> Torr goch

<sup>530</sup> Cwellyn lake and Bala deu-lyn

<sup>531</sup> There is much interlineation on this fo. (48).

<sup>532</sup> Llyn Dol Badarn

<sup>533</sup> Llvn Peris

<sup>534&</sup>quot; Alias - monachus" interlined

<sup>535</sup> Llvn Dwythwch

<sup>536</sup> U[w]ch Gwrvei

#### Cairarvon.

Llinne Tarthennyne<sup>537</sup> 4. or 5. miles from Cairarvon by south. It is a one mile yn lenght lying in a valley, and a dim. myle in bredthe.

Linne dan cader erechiugi 538 a quarter of a myle every way.

Linne Dinas Emeris 539 a good mile in lenght, and a *dim*. mile in bredthe.

Linne Guinanhal<sup>540</sup> a good mile from Linne Dinas a myle long and a *dim.* mile in bredth.

Llin Lleddau<sup>541</sup> about a mille in lenght.

Al these be yn the hundrede or commote of Is-curvay, and al the greate Withaw 542 Hille is holely in this commote. This hille is *a radicibus* a 5. miles to the toppe.

Ffynnon glase<sup>543</sup> yn Withaw y n the hyest parte by Est Eryri and nere Lleddau. Fonnon de Fonnon<sup>544</sup> Guase.<sup>545</sup>

/83/ Llinne Ogweyne<sup>546</sup> almost a mile yn lenght in Llechuueth vcha, <sup>547</sup> i.e. superior hundrede.

Llinne Mam <sup>548</sup> Avon a litle poole in Llechuuethe vcha also.

Llinne Idwalle a smaule pole wher they say that Idwalle Prince of Wales was shire.

killid and drounid. 'Tis yn Nant Franco<sup>549</sup> valley.

Llinne Dulinne <sup>550</sup> (Blak Poole<sup>551</sup>) not half a myle in lenght, ful of stones, in Llechuueht Issa. 552 i.e. inferior hundrede.

Linne Yge<sup>553</sup> almost a mile yn lenght in Llechuucht Issa hundrede.

Both in the paroche of Cairhene. 554

Llinne Colluid 555 a mile from Yge Poole southward a good mile yn lenght in Llechuuet Issa. Few or no pooles nother yn Llenan or yn Heuionith. 556

Linne Dolwithelan 557 paroche on a hille side in Nant Conuuev hundrede.

537 [See Note 530 Ed.]

538 Llyn dan gader yr Eurwrychyn

539 Llvn Dinas Emrys

540 Llyn Gwynan (ignorantly written Gwynant)

541 Llvdaw

542 Y Wyddfa i.e Snowdon

543 Ffynnon Las or Glaslyn yn y Wyddfa

544 This word redundant

545 Ffynnon y gwas

546 Llyn Ogwen

547 Llechwedd Ucha[f]

548 Llvn Anavon

549 Nant Ffrancon

550 Dulvn

551 Black pool

552 Llechwedd Isaf

553 Llyn Eigieu

554 Caer Rhun

555 Llvn Cowlvd

556 Llvn and Evionvdd

557 Above this word are written "Voyle yn, Angl. Hille"

Linne Kledder <sup>558</sup> (a litle ponde). Fonnon (Lughy), alias Linn Llughy, a quarter of a mile vn lenght.

Linne Cravenant, <sup>559</sup> a good 2 myles in lenght, a ii. miles south from Conwey Abbay in a

Llin Enog. Llin Else<sup>560</sup> a litle distant asunder.

Lin Riscog betuix Llughy and Kledder.

Llin Ger[rion]ith a mile yn lenght and more.

Both<sup>561</sup> in Llan Roughwyn<sup>562</sup> paroche.

Al yn Nant Conuuey hundred or commote.

/84/[Llin Thervenid<sup>563</sup> halfe a mile in lengthe, not far from Gerionith.]

fo. 48b.

Castelles in Cair Arvonshire.

Hegannow yn Cryden. 564

Conwey.

Tre Castel, alias Castel Marchog<sup>565</sup> a Fonon.

Treurewe<sup>566</sup> (a myle from Conwey Abbay) where Lluelen<sup>567</sup> lay that maried Jane, King John's doughtre. It stondith on Conwey and Treurewe rivers.

Sinnodune a mile from Conwey. The fundation of a greate thing yet remayne there.

Dolewythelan in Nant Conwey commote apon great Kledder <sup>568</sup> River a xiii. miles from Cairmainan 569 by south este, and as much from Conway.

Dolebaterne <sup>570</sup> a v. mile from Cairarvon by est south est hard by Llynne.

Dolebaterne on a rok bytwixt 2. linnys. 571 There is yet a pece of a toure, wher Owen Cough, <sup>572</sup> brother to Lleulen, last prince, was yn prison. It is yn Iscurvay commot.

Dinas Emeris.

Cairarvon.

Crikith.

The Moode, in the paroche of Aber otherwise Llan Boduan, 573 wher Tussog Lluelin uab Gerwerde Trundon<sup>574</sup> had a castel or palace on a hille by the Chirch, wherof yet parte stondith.

558 Read Llyn Lleder (a little pond)), Ffynnon, alias Llyn Llugwy

559 Llyn Cravnant

560 Llvn Elsi

561 "Both" refers to Linne Cravenant and Llin Gerionith, as the MS shows. The other places are written on

blanks and interlined

562 Llan Rhychwyn

563 Llyn Terwenydd

564 Deganwy in Creuddyn

565 Eques = Marchog, written over it

566 Trefriw

567 Llywelyn

568 Lleder

569 Maenan

570 Dol Badarn near Llan Beris

571 "Linnys" i.e lakes

572 Owen Goch

Syr Gul. Grifith hath a faire house at Penryne<sup>575</sup> a ii. myle a this side Bangor. Wyllyam<sup>576</sup> uab William dwellith at a place Gochichlan<sup>577</sup> a mile a this side Penryne. /85/Wylliam Cotmore 578 dwellith at Cotmore by Tale Linn Ogwein. 579

Pillesdon yn Cairarvon toune. Syr Richard

Bukele.

John uab Madok uab Poel dwellith yn Lleene 580 at Bodwel. John Wen uab Meridith dwellith at Gweder<sup>581</sup> a ii. bow shottes above Conwey

toune on the ripe of Conwey Ryver. It is a praty place.

Elys nab Mor[ic]he yn commoth Hiuionith yn Llan Morva paroche at Clannenne. 582 Grifith ap Robert [V]ehan<sup>583</sup> dwellith at Tale Henbont, *i.e. veneris pontis*, in Iuionith.

John Oen dwellith at Kegid an auncient house in Hiuionith. 584

Conwey Ryver (risith in Llin Conwey); 585 the haven stondith by north and west.

Avon Duegeuelth 586 a 3 miles above Conwey, it risith in the montaynes a mile of, and goith by it self vnto Meney Salt Arme. (On this shore lyith Penmayn.) 587 This broke rennith bytwixt Penmayne Maur and Penmaine Vehan.

Avon Llannuairuehan; 588 it risith yn a montayne therby, and goith ynto the se a 2. miles above Duegeuelth. 589

Avon Aber a 2, large miles above that: it risith vn a poole caullid Llin Mam (mater <sup>590</sup>) Avon, <sup>591</sup> a 3. mile of.

Aber Ogweine a 2. good miles above that.

Aber Gegyne, <sup>592</sup> out of a monteine by, a myle above, and Bangar [sic] almost a mile above it. It stondith on Toronnen.

Aber Poull: 593 a 3. into the lande it risith; 4. mile beyond Bangor on Meney shore, where is a litle cumming yn for bootes by entering of it ynto Meney.

573 Aber Gwyngregyn = Llan Bodvan. The *mwd* is an artificial mound

574 Tywysog Llywelyn yab Iorwerth drwyndwn

575 Penrhyn Castle

576 Stow omits from "Wyllyam uab William" to "Hiuionith p. 85"

577 Cochwillan

578 Coetmor

579 Tal Ilvn Ogwen

580 Llyn at Bodvel

581 Gwydyr

582 Pen Morva, Clenenne

583 Vychan, Plas Hen

584 There is no text explaining this note

585 These words are crossed through

586 Dwygyvylchi

587 These words are crossed through

588 Llanvair vechan

589 [See note 586 Ed.]

590" Mater" interlined over "Mam".

591 Llyn Anavon (in ordnance map)

592 Aber Cegin, now Port Penrhyn

Moileeton, 594 a passage a litle shot above. There lyith fery bootes to go vnto Terre Mone 595

/86/Guenwynmyreth, 596 i.e. Horsis Broke, 2. mile of, it risith at Guen win myrith Wel, a mile of.

Carnarvon Thens to Cairaryon 4. mile.

Segent <sup>597</sup> Ryver rennith hard on the farther side of Cairaryon, as the shore side shire. goith, and there cummith in praty shippis hard to the castel side from Meney into Sainct. Cadnant Broke rising a 3. miles of cummith thorough the toune bridg of Cairarvon, and goith bi it self ynto Meney Arme. So that Cairarvon stondith bytwixt ii. ryvers. Both cum into

There cummith a water caullid Avon Guiruay 598 thorough a bridg caullid Bontnewith, a 2. Imvlel above Cairaryon, and after cummith vnto Meney at South Crok a 2, miles of.

South Croke is a 3. miles above Cairarvon.

Againe South Croke by the mouth of Skeuernoc the se hath ete up a litle village on Cairarvon side.

South Croke is the very point of Abremeney. The name of Abremeney is not passing a mile above Cairarvon, yet the water of sum is caullid Meney til Poullthelly. 59

Frode Skeuernok<sup>600</sup> a litle broke a vi. miles above Abreseynt. <sup>601</sup> On the farther side of it is a litle chapel caullid Bethouse and 2. or 3. housis. 602

Lleuonbroke<sup>603</sup> goith into the se 2. mile above Skeuernok.

Lleueny a great broke aboute a mile above cumming to the se. And ther is a paroche caullid Llane Lleuenv. 604

There be 2. br[oksl betuixt Guiruay, 605 [Anglice an Hav.... and Skeuernok, whereof the mydle is the bygger, caullyd Colaide, and is ....

There is a brooke a mile beyond Abre Lleueny govng by it self into the se. 606

Clunnok Vaur a Arvon a great paroch, and the fayrest chirch yn al Cairarvonshire, as better then Bangor, is a mile /87/beyond it, and as far from the shore. There is a litle Carnaryon ryllet. There is a broke more then a mile above Clunog cumming in to the mayne se. shire.

Clunnog paroche is in commot Uch Curuay.

593 Aber pwll

Carnaryon-

594 Moel v don

595 Tir Mon i.e Anglesey

596 Gwenwyn Meirch

597 Seint or Saint

598 Gwrvei

599 Pwll Heli

600 Leland writes three dots under od and two over the first k in these two words; over them, "Angl. a quik streme". The stream is Ffwrd Skyvarnog in Llan Dwrog.

601 Aber Seint i.e Carnaryon

602? Betws Garmon

603 Llivon

604 Llvvni: Llan Llvvni

605 Gwrvei

606 [L.T.S. notes "Mr. Evans marks this as Dusoch". Ed.]

Fro Clunnok Chirch to Llanael Hairen<sup>607</sup> Chirch a 4. miles in Uch Curuay commote.

From Llan Aelheiren to Egluis Epistel 608 Chirch a 3 mile.

The next paroche above Clunnok is Llan Aelhairen.

The nex paroch onto it on the shore is Egluis Epistil 609 (fistula), wher cummith downe owt of a rokkie a litle rylle as it were renning yn a pipe. This rok is caullid Guortheren, 610 i.e. Vallis Vortegerni in Llene. And hither cam, as sum say, S. Bennow. 611 A peace of this roke is fallen, and valleith after a strange fascion.

The next paroch on the shore is Treneuen. Treneuen <sup>612</sup> townelet is a 2. miles up the lande, and there is a 2 faires every yere, but no wekely market. Hitherto the counterey is montainyus.

From Llan<sup>613</sup>Egluis to Treneuen Chirch a 3. myles.

There is a litle broke on the hither side of Treneuen. Avon Ederne, alias Girath, <sup>614</sup> a 2. miles above Treneuen.

Ther be other smaul rilles betwixt it and Daron.

From Treneuen to Abredaron a xii. milys. The grounde betwyt is sumwhat playne and hath 2. or 3. paroches, havyng very good plenty of corne and grasse, but very litle woodde. They burne turffes, ferne, and gorsses, otherwise, caullid fyrres.

Bytwixt Vallis Vort egerni 615 and Aberdaron the cumpase of the se gatherith a hed, and the se enterith at both endes.

The smaule townelet of Abredaron, wher is a 30. or mo housis, is on the very farther ripe of Daron. The se is about a quartre of a myle of. The paroche chirch is above almoste a mile on the shor as the salt water cumpasith aboute with a hedde. The chirche is caullid in Walsch, Llan engan Brening, 616 id est Fanum Niniani Reguli, where was a late a great /88/pilgrimage. This paro[che is] al yn [Lleene,] and it endith [Lleene. 617]

[L1]eene a xvi. miles by shore, xii mile by the hy way yn lengh.

The bred of Llene an viii. mile. Carnarvon

The hither ende of Llene by the shor cummith at a hil [caullid Brith Rivil, 618 ubi shire. Vallis Vortegerni.

The countery above Lleene is caullid Heuionith.

In Leene a mile above Fanum Niniani is Penrynde<sup>619</sup> a good haven roode.

Almost a mile from Penryne de<sup>620</sup> yn Leene is Inis Tidwale<sup>621</sup> a vi. acres yn cumpace. In it is a litle chirch desolate. Ther be kept shepe, and there be conys. It is a myle from Penryne lande by south est.

Ther is an other islet betwixt it and the shore, caullid Inis Mirach. 622 i.e. equorum, having

Pollele<sup>623</sup> Bay a poore market, now a late *statio opt, carinis*. The prince had a place there. as yet apperith.

From Llan engan Brennine to Crikith about a xiii. myle by meatly playne ground, having reasonable good corne and pasture, but not like Lleene. There lyith betwixt Llan engan and Criketh a 3. or 4. parochis. At Crikith be a 2. or 3. poore houses, and there is a smaule rylle. There hath beene a franchisid toune, now clene decayed. 624

From Crikith to Trahtmaure 625 a 3. myle. Bytwyxt Traithmaure and Traith Vehan 626 a mile thorough a point of wood caullid Penryn Duetith, <sup>627</sup> as yn the myddle, rennith at low water thorough the Traith Maur Warth, Glesse Llinne <sup>628</sup> Water, and dividith <sup>629</sup> Heuionith of Cairarvonshir from Merionithshire. 630/89/

Al Penrine<sup>631</sup> Pointe is in Merionithshire, and as much as is beyounde Gleslin on the warth of Traithmaure.

Carnaryon shire.

Credine<sup>632</sup> a commote of Cairarvonshire a this side Conwey River.

This commote partely be Conwey Ryver, partely by the se is yn a maner as insulatid, and one way owte of Denbigh land the way is over a made causey over a marsch often overflowen.

The cumpace of it, as I gesse, is an viii. miles. Yn lenght it is a 3. miles.

In it is a 3. paroches.

In it is very litle wood, and that is at Penrine [Little Orme's Head].

It berith very good corne and grasse.

There is northward in Credine a bay or rode very goode for shippis, and that greate, caullid Carrig Gonnyon. 633 Anglice White Stonys. H[ere] a mile up ynto the land appere

<sup>607</sup> Llan Aelhaiarn

<sup>608</sup> Eglwys y Pistyll

<sup>609 [</sup>See note 608 Ed.]

<sup>610</sup> Craig Gwrtheyrn

<sup>611</sup> St. Beuno

<sup>612</sup> Tre Nevin

<sup>613?</sup> Llannor

<sup>614</sup> Geirch

<sup>615</sup> Nant Gwrtheyrn

<sup>616</sup> Llan Engan Vrenhin. A passage must be missing here as Llan Engan is about eight miles east of Aber

 $<sup>617 \</sup>text{ Legin} = \text{Lleyn} = \text{Llyn}$ 

<sup>618</sup> Bwlch yr Eivl

<sup>619</sup> Penrhyn Du

<sup>620 [</sup>See note 619 Ed.]

<sup>621</sup> St. Tudwal's Island

<sup>622</sup> Ynys y Meirch

<sup>623</sup> Pwll-heli

<sup>624</sup> Stow. Leland has decayith

<sup>625</sup> Traeth Mawr

<sup>626</sup> Traeth bach

<sup>627</sup> Penrhyn deu -draeth

<sup>628</sup> Glas -lvn

<sup>629</sup> Leland has divith

<sup>629 &</sup>quot;So 'tis corrected, (very unintelligibly) by Mr Leland, who had first of all written it thus: From Crokith to Traht Vehan a 3. Myle. Betwyxt Traith Vehan abd Traith Maure above rennith as yn the myddle Glesse Llinne Water &c'.

<sup>-</sup> Hearne. Stow does not help here. The difficulty lies with the wrds Traith Maur Warth, which are written in the margin without evident reference. But I believe this is right. L.T.S.

<sup>631</sup> Penrhyn Deu-draeth

<sup>632</sup> Creuddyn

Denbigh- greate ruines of Hegannoye 634 Castel stondding on an hille, wher, as sum say, shire. Mailgo Guined 635 dwellid and Lluelen Prince of North Wales.

Place Penrine<sup>636</sup> an auncient stone house by est north est on the shore longing to Mr. Peel of [Flint]shire.

Cogarth<sup>637</sup> almost clene doune on Conwey River shore betwixt .... [Here lay D] .... <sup>638</sup>

Segent,<sup>639</sup> as I hard say, risith at Lynne Dolebaderne. This poole is a 3. miles yn lenght, yn sum place a mile broode, and yn divers places lesse and lesse. It lyith by Withow <sup>640</sup> Hille, and is distant a v. myle from Cairarvon toward south est from Cairarvon.

Ogweyne risith at a place caullid Tale Llinne Ogweyne, a poole a v. Mile above Bangor yn the est side of Withow.

Conwey Ryver hedde is withyn a 3. myles of Penmachno Hille, and<sup>641</sup> this hille is a vi. or 7. miles from Conwey Abbey.

/90/Traith Vehan and Traith Maur be salt armss and crekes fedde with no notable fresch ryvers.

Carnarvon Mr. Rouland Griffith tolde me that there were 2. commotes betwixte Abredeuy 642 and Towen Merionith that were yn tymes paste plentyful of corne and grasse, but lying low, and almost as level grounde, the se ful many a yere syns hath clene devourid them up, and now it is totally a sandy warth.

He told me also that at the chyrch where he dwellith yn Anglesey, <sup>643</sup> by the commune fame of all the counterey, there was of auncient tyme an house of relligion.

In tyme of mynde menne usid not in Termone<sup>644</sup> to seperate [sic] theyr grounde, but now stille more and more they digge stony hillokkes yn theyre groundes, and with the stones of them rudely congestid they devide theyre<sup>645</sup> groundes after Devonshire fascion.

In digging of these [they] digge up yn many places yerthen pottes with the mouthes turnid douneward, conteyning [cineres et ossa mortuorum]. 646

The bridge at Chester apon Dee.

The toun of the Holt 5. miles by land from Chester, and there is a great stone bridge on Dee Ryver.

633 Cerrig Gwynion

634 Deganwy

635 Maelgwn Gwynedd

636 Penrhyn Castle [this note is incorrect]

637 Gogarth i.e. Great Orme's Head

638 Bottom of fo. 50 decayed. Stow omits this paragraph

639 Seint or Saint

640 Y Wyddfva

641 MS an

642 Aber Dyvi

643 See Appendix B.

644 Tir Mon *i.e* Anglesev

645 Leland repeats theyre, and in the next line but one he omits the. See Appendix B.

646 Here leaves 51, 52 are blank

 $Llangotlan^{647}$  is a ix. miles above the Holt, and there is a great stone bridge over Dee Ryver.

Llan gotlan village is on the south side, and Dinas Brane Castelle stondith apon an high hille on the north ripe of Dee a 3. quarters of a mile of.

The castelle of Dinas Brane was never bigge thing, but sette al for strenght as in a place half inaccessible for ennemyes. It is now al in ruine: and there in the rok side that the castelle stondith on bredith 648 every yere an egle. And the egle doth sorely assaut hym that distroith the nest, goyng doun in one basket, and having a nother over his hedde to defend the sore stripe of the egle.

Llan Egwiste, <sup>649</sup> alias Vallis Crucis, an abbay of Whit /91/Monkes, was 3. quarters of [a myle] of by west north weste.

WYRALE. 650

Denbighshire.

Wyrale begynnith lesse then a quarter of a mile of the very cite self of Chester, and withyn a 2. bow shottes of the suburbe without the northe gate at a litle brooket caullid Flokars Broke that ther cummith ynto Dee Ryver, and ther is a dok; wherat at spring tide a ship may ly, and this place is caullid Porte Poole.

Half a myle lower ys Blaken Hedde, as an armelet of the grounde pointing oute. At this is an olde manor place longging to the Erle of Oxforde, and theryn lyith sumtyme Syr Gul. Norres

A mile be water lower hard on the shore is a litle village caullid Sauheho. 651

Lesse then a mile lower is Crabho<sup>652</sup> village.

A myle lower is Shottewik Castelle on the very shore longging to the King: and therby ys a park.

Shottewike townelet is a 3, quarters of a myle lower.

And 2. mile lower is a rode in D[ee] caullid Salthouse, wher again it [on the] shore is a salt house cottage.

Then is Burton hedde, wherby is a village almost a mile lower than Salt [House.]

- ii. myles lower and more is Denwale Rode, and agayne it a farme place caullid Denwaulle Haul. It longith to Mr. Smithe, and more up into the land is Denwaulle <sup>653</sup> village.
- ii. miles and more lower is Neston Rode, and ynward a mile ynto the land is Neston village.

About a 3. miles lower is a place caullid the Redde Bank, and ther half a mile withyn the land is a village caullid Thrustington. <sup>654</sup>

A mile and more lower is Weste Kirkeby a village hard on the shore.

647 Llan Gollen

648 Leland by a slip repeats this word

649 Llan Egwestyl

650 A barbarised form of Kilgwri

651 Saughall

652 Crabhall

653 Denhall

654 Thurstaton

And half a mile lower is Hillebyri, <sup>655</sup> as the very point of Wyrale. fo. 55.

Flintshire

This Hillebyri at the floode is all en viron id with water as an isle, and than Castellum the trajectus is a quarter of a mile over and 4. fadome depe of water, and at ebbe a man may go /92/over the sand. It is about a mile in cumpace, and the grounde is sandy and hath conies. There was a celle of monkes of Chestre, and a pilgrimage of our Lady of Hilbvri.

The barre caullid Chester Barre that is at [the] very mouth of the sandes spuid oute Cheshire. of Dee Ryver is an 8. or 10. mile west south west from Hilbyri.

It is by estimation a xvi mile from the point of Hilbery to crosse strait over to the next shore in Lancastershire. For Lyrpoole<sup>656</sup> lyith a x. miles into the lande from the mouthe of Mersey Water, and lytle lak of xx. from the very barre of Mersey that lyith in the mayne se.

From the poynt of Hylbyri to Lippoole as it lyith withyn the lande a x. mile.

From Hilbyri to cumpace about the shore of Wyral on Mersey side to Walesev<sup>657</sup> village on the very shore, wher men use much 658 to salten hering taken at the se by the mouth of Mersey, is a seven or eight miles.

Thens a 2. myles to the fery house on Wyrale shore, and there is the trajectus proximus to Lyrpole a 3. miles over.

Aboute half a quarter of [a] mile upward hard on Wyral shore is Byrk[et]<sup>659</sup> a late a priory of a xvi. monkes as a celle to Chester without any village by it.

A1 the shore grounde of Wyral apon De side ys highe bankid, but not veri hilly grounde. And so ys the bank of Wyrale onto Briket 660 on Mersey side.

The trajectus from Hillebyri directely overthwart bytwixt Flint and Basingwerk is at the ful se a vii. miles over.

#### FLINTESHIR.

The est parte of the paroche of Potuarry <sup>661</sup> is in Flintshire: and part of the same paroche toward the south ys yn Diffrin Cluid. fo. 56.

Flintshire Hoele communely caullid in Englische Poele 662, and, as sum say, it is the name that we caull<sup>663</sup> Hughe.

Hoele was a gentilman of Flyntshir that by auncient accustume was wont to give the bagge of the sylver harpe to /93/the beste harper of North Walvs, as by a privilege of his auncetors, dwellith at Penrine vn Flyntshir. He hath also a ruinus castelet, or pile, at a place

caullid Castel Yollo. 664 This word Yollo 665 is the same in Walsche that Lluelen vs. and Ludovicus in Latine.

Yollo ys 2. miles from Northob village a litle on the lift hand yn the highe [way] to Chester.

Thisarte, 666 or Disarte, Castelle vn Flyntshire, by the name vn Walsche is thus expoundid. Thi is privativa particula, as not. Sarte is stepe up. Not stepe or cliuing up, that is to say playne.

Rethelan, <sup>667</sup> communely caullid Rudelan, cummith of Rethe, that ys to say roone color or pale redde, and glan, that is the shore; but G when Glan is set with a worde praeceding G is

About Glascoit (viridis silva) Hille, that is a 4. miles beyond Rethelan, is the limes of Flintshir and Denbigh lande.

#### DENBIGHE-LANDE.

Commotes yn Denbigh-Land.

fo. 57.

Ise Dulesse and Hughe Dulesse, <sup>668</sup> both by northe toward Llan Elwy, alias S. Asaphe.

Denbigh-

And boothe be namid of Dullesse<sup>669</sup> a broke there rennyng.

Ise Aleth and Hughe Aleth<sup>670</sup> ly bothe flat weste toward<sup>671</sup> Conwey, and hath the name of Aleth Rvver.

Kinemarth<sup>672</sup> cummith from withyn a mile and a half of Ruthine to the very toune and castelle waul of Denbighe, and lyith most by south south est.

Sum take the paroche self of Denbigh for a commote, and lyith much by este, and is a 4. mile yn cumpace or more.

Sum say that afore the toune of Denbigh was made yt was yn Hughe Dulesse<sup>673</sup> commote, but sins of late tyme it hath provid by ple to be a cort and commot of it self.

There is no place yn al these commotes where the people dwelle *vicatim*, but al *sparsim*, saving at Denbighe toun self.

/94/And vn al these commotes was no [howse] of priory or abbey, saving a place of White Freres at the very este ende of the toun of Denbighe.

There be diverse paroche chirches in eche of these commotes, saving that if Denebigh paroch be a commote, ther is but one paroche chirch vn it, and that is S. Marcelles a mile and more out [of] the toune of Denbighe by est.

<sup>655</sup> Hilbre Point

<sup>656</sup> Liverpool

<sup>657</sup> Wallasey

<sup>658</sup> Leland repeats usehere

<sup>659?</sup> Birker R. [surely Birkerhead? Ed.]

<sup>660 [</sup>See note 659 *Ed.*]

<sup>661</sup> Bod Varri

<sup>662</sup> Poele or Powel = ap Howel i.e. son of Howel

<sup>663</sup> caullid in MS

<sup>664</sup> Ewloe Castle

<sup>665</sup> Yollo or Iolo stands for Edward in Welsh

<sup>666</sup> Diserth

<sup>667</sup> Rudd-lan

<sup>668</sup> Is Dulas and U[w]ch Dulas

<sup>669</sup> Dulelesse in MS

<sup>670</sup> Is Aled and U[w]ch Aled

<sup>671</sup> In the margin Leland has Cisalethia

<sup>672</sup> Kinmeirch

<sup>673</sup> U[w]ch Dulas

Ther be ii. of ease by side withyn the toune self, wherof one is caullid S. Hilaries, very large and welle servid.

Kinemarth<sup>674</sup> is the greatest commot of al the residew, and yet hath but 2. or 3. paroches, Lan Rayhader, <sup>675</sup> that is a 7. miles in lenght, and Llaneinys<sup>676</sup> that is not al in Kynmarth, but parte in Diffrin Cluid. It is caullid Llaneinis, by cause the chirch is set betwixt the ryvers of

Rayhader is to say the faul of a water doune a hille. Cluid and Clue $\log^{677}$  as in an isle. These ii. stremes ren ther withyn a quarter of a mile togither.

<sup>678</sup>Loke wither Llanvair Vadelen be not in Kinemarth. This paroche is caullid in Walsch Kereg Edridion. <sup>679</sup>

There is yn the est ende of Lan Raihader paroch very goodly corne and grasse, but by west south west yt is baren and hilly with bogges. Wood inough yn Raihaider by north est.

There is good corn, as whete grounde, about Llaneinys, metely woddyd.

Llanvair Vade[len] is much baren, [but] for otes withe [great] labor. No wood but turfe. Ful of hilles and bogges.

Fanum Full of filles and bogges.

Mariae The paroche self of Denebighe is plentiful of corne and gresse, but no great wood.

Ise Dulesse 180 is good for corne as whete, rye, peason and benes, and hath very good fine pasture and medois, and hath litle wast ground yn it, and hath good woodde as in the lesse parke longging to Denbighe, and yn other places. This litle parke is caullid in Walsch fo. 58. Gorse (firres) nodiog. Thereis a quarre of harde stone. Its of a blakisch or sad marble color, much usid for ovens and chimeneis in this litle park: and there also they dig oute slate stones to kyver houses.

Hughe Dulesse<sup>682</sup> is less fruteful then Ise Dulesse, and more hylly and rokky. Ther is plenty of woodde in it. And the /95/great park by Denbigh is, as I lernid, in this commote. This parke is caullid in Walsche Moil evig<sup>683</sup> that is to say of the balde hyndes.

Other parkes then the 2. aforesaid be not in Denbighe land.

Ise Aleth<sup>684</sup> cummith to the very shore of Rethelan Bay.

This bay bereth the name from Rethelan and the mouth of Cluide to the mouth of Conwey.

Denbighshire

These ii. paroches in Ise Aleth ly apon the shore: first Lan S. George next to the marches of Flyntshir, and more upper west to Credin <sup>685</sup> Abergele paroch, where be likelihod is a water caullid Gelle. <sup>686</sup>

674 Kinmeirch

675 Llan Rhaiadyr

676 Llan Ynys

677 Clwyd and Clywedog

678 This paragraph is marked with the pointing hand symbol but has no explanatory note

679 Kerrig y Drudion

680 Is Dulas

681 Gorse *i.e,* Cors = morass, *not* 'firres'

682 U[w]ch Dulas

683 Moel yr Ewig

684 Is Aled

685 Creuddyn

The north part of Ise Aleth as to the shore is meetely fruteful of corne. The south part is hilly, good for gotes, and hath litle wood in respecte.

Hughe Aleth<sup>687</sup> cummith by weste onto Conwey Ryver bank agayn the towne self of Conway, and ther metith with Come Credine<sup>688</sup> a pece of Cairarvonshir *cis* Conwey River: and leving Credin on the north side of the shore, as on the right honde: and then goith on Conwey River bank up a litle by south south west, and then levyng Conwey bank it goith plain south and metith with Penthline<sup>689</sup> lordship.

In Hughe Aleth be many bogges, rokky hilles, and morisch ground: and the soil is to cold to have good corne, yet yn diverse places it berith otes and sum rye. It hath in sum places woodde. In these hilles be kept nete horse and shepe.

This commote is the worst parte of al Denbigh land and most baren.

In Kinemarch<sup>690</sup> commote be 2. places wher be likelihod hath beene sum castelettes or piles of defence. Llesguenllean<sup>691</sup> is the one, and that is a 3. quarters of a myle owt of fo. 59. Denbigh toward south in the way to Ruthine on the right hond. There apperith no building now, but great diches and hilles over growen with bussches.

Place amedowe<sup>692</sup> is the other, wher is a great diche and a hille. The name [declarith] it to have beene the place [of an her]emite. [Wither ther hathe] beene any o] ther th[ing there it is out] of memorie. [There is nothing now] but a /96/fox borow. [It is a mile and] more from Denbigh [by south in the way to Ruthin on the lifte hand.]

Palatium Vendolenae

#### DENBIGH TOUNE.

After that King Edward had extincted the Prince of Wales, and had holely al Wales in his Denbighshire possession he much studied to the fortification especially of North Wales, and the marches of it. And by this meane Lacy a man of greate estimation about Edwarde the I. had the land of Denby given onto hym.

And I have hard say that it was partely in consideration that he maried in the bloode of the Prince of North Wales. Lacy was a great lord marcher afore in Ewisland<sup>693</sup> bering the name of Lacye.

This Lacy firste began the toun of Denbigh, walling it and making a castelle there. Afore his tyme I cannot lerne that there was other toun or castelle.

The toune and [cast]el of Denbighe [stand]ith on a [craggy] hille, and is nere [a mile in cumpace,] and ys pene orbi [culari] figura. The castelle lyith south on the toune: and the toun lyith to the castelle by north and est.

686 Gele

687 U[w]ch Aled

688 [See note 685 Ed.]

689 Penllyn

690 Kinmeirch

691 Llvs Gwenllian

692 Plas y Meudwy

693 Ewias Lacy

In the toun be but 2. gates, the Escheker Gate, and the Burges Gate. In the first was the lordes court kept: and in the other the burgesis. The Eskeker Gate lyith playne west, and the burgeses Gate plain north.

These ii. gates as the cumpace of the waulle goith be a great flite shot one from the other: and betwixt them in the waulle is never a tower.

And from the Eskeker<sup>694</sup> Gate to the castel is never a towre: but ther is a galery out of the castel into it.

These towers be in the toune waulle by est from the Burgeses Gate to the south est side of the castelle.

[First a great] quadrata [tower] caullid ....<sup>695</sup>

/97/ [secondly the countes toure a goodly square tower of 2. loftes. The third the Goblin Hole semicirculari figura, the leades of which in hominum memoria about a 80. yeares agoe were with tempest carried awaye, as farre almost as St. Marcelles the paroche church, and so it hath lyen uncovered.]

There be 2, rounde toures beside.

I have not yet lernid the certente how this wallid toune decayed withyn, wither it were by fier or for lak of water, wherof there is litle or none, or for lak of good caryage into the toun standing sumwhat high and on rokky ground, I cannot surely telle.

But the towne of Denbigh now occupied and yoining neere to the old toun hath beene totally made of later tyme, and set much more to commodite of cariage and water by many welles in it. And the encreace of this was the decay of the other. [At this present tyme the newe is 3. times as bigge as the oulde, and is a mile .... and it lyeth all in one streete .... and in the market place well builded, which is fayre, and large, and paved of late yeares, the confluence to the market on Tewesday is exceeding great. St. Marcelles a mile of was paroche chirche to the newe]. 696

There is a chapelle of ease in the midle of the new towne, of S. Anne. One Fleming was the builder of this, and yet it is caullid Capelle Fleming, and is of a good largenes. Ther was an almose house hard by this chapelle *ex saxo quadrato* made by the same Fleming. But now it is desolate.

The new toune of Denbigh was clere defacid with fier by hostilite, a.D. 1468. Sum say that this was doone by the Erle of Penbroke.

The castelle is a very large thing, and hath many toures yn it. But the body of the worke was never finishid.

The gate house is a mervelus strong and great peace of /98/ work, but the *fastigia* of it were never finischid. If they had beene, it might have beene countid emong the most memorable peaces of workys yn England. It hath diverse wardes and dyverse portcolicis. On the front of the gate is set the image of Hen. Lacy Erle of Lincoln in his stately long robes.

Denbighshire

There is a nother very high towre and larg in the castelle caullid the Redde Towre.

Sum say that the Erle of Lincoln's sunne felle into the castelle welle, and ther dyed:
wherapon he never passid to fisch the castelle.

King Edward the 4. was besegid in Denbigh-Castelle: and ther it was pactid bytwene King Henry's men and hym that he should with life departe the reaulme never to returne. If they had taken King Edwarde there *debellatum fuisset*.

There is every Sunday prayers made in S. Hilarie Chapelle for Lacey and Percy. Denbigh lande on sum places marcheth apon Cluide Ryver.

Wher Cluid cummith niest to Denbigh toun it is 2. miles of by este.

Loke here for Fonnon Dunoc. 697 S. Dunokes Welle a mighty spring that maketh a brok renning scant a mile.

Cluedog<sup>698</sup> Ryver cummith ynto Cluid 4. mile lower by water, and 3. by land, and than ynto .... by west. It is Llanharder<sup>699</sup> paroche, of sum caullid S.Dunokes. Then Ruthin town on the weste ripe of it.

Looke heere for these brokes.

Brennig.

Vehan.

Alwein. 700

Ustrate<sup>701</sup> cummith within half a mile by south of Denbigh toun, and goith ynto Cluid <sup>702</sup> by the west ripe almost againe Denbigh toun that. is a 2. miles of.

Aleth risith in Llin Aleth<sup>703</sup> poole an 8. miles west from Denbigh toun in the paroche of Llan Sannan, and rennith about an 8. miles towarde the north, and go ynto the south ripe of Elwy in Llan Heueth<sup>704</sup> paroche, a 6. miles above S. /99/Asaph. So that the course of it goith [an 8.] miles by estimation.

Ther is a litle water caullid Merach Mirchion, <sup>705</sup> wherby, as sum saie, was Lorde Marach a Mirch[i]ons <sup>706</sup> place. It is Henellan [paroc]h.

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697 Ffynnon Dyvnog

698 Clywedog

699 Llan Rhaiadr

700 Alwen

701 Ystrad

702 Clwyd

703 Aled

704 Elwy yn Llan Nevydd. Over Heueth Leland wrote obediente, and in the margin Fanum obediente

705 March Meirchion

706 March ap Meirchin

<sup>694</sup> MS has Esker

<sup>695</sup> The bottom of this fo. 60 was damaged in Stow's time; after the word "caullid" he writes "ct. torne and defaced" (but he makes his etc. extend to more than four lines at the top of the next page, which are perfect, going on at "at this tyme be scant"). The above (in italic), p.97, is supplied from Burton (a), who seems to have been able to read the scraps which were left. These scraps do not now exist; the lower third of the leaf is filled with modern paper. 696 Here again at bottom of fo. 60 v Burton was able to read much on the torn pieces which Stow omitted. [See note 695 Ed.]

On the farther ripe of Elwy a 3. or 4. miles above S. Asaphes is a stony rok caullid Kereg thetylluaine, <sup>707</sup> *i.e.* the rok with hole stones, wher a great cave is, having divers romes in it hewid out of the mayne rok.

There is in the paroch of Llansannan in the side of a stony hille a place where ther be 24. holes or places in a roundel for men to sitte in, but sum lesse and sum bigger, cutte out of the mayne rok by mannes hand, and there childern and young men cumming to seke their catelle use to sitte and play. Sum caulle it the round table. Kiddes use ther communely to play and skip from sete to sete.

There is an hille with pasture in Guitheryn paroche in Denbigh lande caullid Penbere, <sup>708</sup> i.e. *caput sepulcri*, [wher] a stone like a flat stone of a grave lyith, and one, as it is sayde, lyith under it byried. <sup>709</sup>

#### Market townes in Glocestreshire

Glocestre.

fo. 64.

Bristow.

Cirecestre. Twekesbyri. Gloucestershire.

Castelles in Glocestreshire.

Glocestre.

Sudely by Winchelcumbe.

Circcestre had a castel by lykelyhod.

Bristow Castel.

/100/Ryvers in Glocestreshire.

Severn.

Avon touchith at Twekesbiri.

Gloucester-

Another Avon at Bristow.

Isis risith a iii. myles from Cirencestre not far from a village cawlled Kemble within half a myle of the Fosse Way, betwixt Cirecestre and Bath. Thens it runneth to Latinelad<sup>710</sup> a 4. myles of, and so to Grekelad<sup>711</sup> abowt a myle lower, sone after recevving Churn

Wher as the very hed of Isis ys, in a great somer drought appereth very litle or no water, yet is the stream servid with many of springes resorting to one botom.

Churne at Cicestre, *proprie* Churncestre, a hard by Chestreton, *improprie pro* Churnetown. The principal hedde of Churn risith at Coberle, wher is the hed howse of Sir John Bridges. [It] is a vii. myles from Glocestre, and a five myles or more from Cirecestre by the which yt [renneth, and] thens a vi. [myles] *uno infra* Greklad *milliari* yt goith [into Isis.]

Communely thorough al Glocestershire there is [good] plenty of corn, pasture and wood, saving at Coteswold wher the great flokkes of sheepe be, and yet in sum places ther growth fair corn.

Glocestre where yt is not sufficiently defended by Severn ys waulled. The castel is of an wonderful old building, but no old Britons brykes yn yt, *sed lapides plerumque quadrati*. Of al partes of yt the hy towr *in media area* ys most strongest and auncient. Withowt *duplici fossa munitur*. In the towne be [xi.] <sup>712</sup> paroche chirches, withowt <sup>713</sup> Blak Monkes yn the town. Blak Chanons lately withowt.

An arow shot without the town toward Herford ys a long bridge of stone, under the which goeth a great arme of Severne,, as I remembre, cawlled Owseburne. Yt breketh owt of the great streame above the town, and beneth yt goith againe into the mayne streame. The curse of yt is abowt a myle. So that it insulateth a goodly medow.

Bristow apon Avon a greate cite, well waulled, having a fair castel. In yt is now, as I remembre, xviii. paroche /101/chirches. S. Augustines, Blak Chanons extra maenia; ibique in magna area sacellum, in quo sepultus est. S Jordanus, unus ex discipulis Augustini Anglorum apostoli. A howse withowt the waulles, as I remembre, cawlled the Gauntes otherwise Bonhommes. [iiii.] howses of frer es, of the wiche the White Freres place ys very fair.

Avon Ryver abowt a quartre of a mile beneth the towne in a medow casteth up a great arme or gut by the which the greater vessels as mayne toppe shippes cum up to the towne. So that Avon doth peninsulate the towne, and vessels may cum of [bothe] sides of yt. I marked not wel whither ther cam any fresch water from the land to bete that arme.

Avon goith into Severn at [Kyng]es Rode iii. [myles] beneth [Bristow] by land, and [vi.] by water.

In the hilles about Bristow [towne be] found litle stones [of divers colours counterfetynge precious] stones.

Cirecestre, corruptely for Churnecestre, peraventure of Ptoleme cawlled Coriminum, <sup>714</sup> stondeth in a botom apon the ryver of Churne. Be lykehod yn times past guttes were made that partes of Churn streame might cum thorow the cyte, and so to returne to their great botom. The cumpace of the old waul, *cujus pauca adhuc extant vestigia*, was nere hand ii. myles. A man may yet walking on the bank of Churne evidently perceyve the cumpace of fundation of towers sumtyme standing in the waul; and nere to the place wher the right goodly clothing mylle was set up a late by the Abbate, was broken down the ruine of an old tower toward making of the mylle waulles, in the which place was fownd a quadrate stone fawllen down afore, but broken in *aliquot frustra* wherin was a Romaine inscription, of the which one,

<sup>707</sup> Karreg y tyllvaen

<sup>708</sup> Pen Bere

<sup>708</sup> A blank leaf (63) occurs here; the following leaves, 64 - 66 (relating to English counties, and ending with "Marden - Martyrs Hil", p.104), were probably written by Leland earlier than the preceding; the hand is closer, the ink much faded (not by damp). They seem to have been inserted by mistake in the midst of the Welsh notes.

<sup>710</sup> Latton

<sup>711</sup> Cricklade

<sup>712</sup> Leland wrote no figure. Stow added it.

<sup>713 [</sup>Sic, but this word seems redundant Ed.]

<sup>714</sup> There are small marks over and under the n which seem to mean deletion, and so the word would read *Corimium* 

Fossa scantly lettrrd, that saw vt told me that he might perceive *Pont. Max.* Among divers numismata found frequently there Dioclesian's be most fairest, but I cannot adfirme the inscription to have bene dedicate onto hym. In the middes of the old town in a medow was found a flore de tessellis versicoloribus, and by the town nostris temporibus was found a broken shank bone of a horse, the mouth closed with a pegge, the which taken owt a shepard founde vt fillid *nummis argenteis*. In the south dowth west side of the waul /102/be lykelyhod hath bene a castel, or sum other great building, the hilles and diches yet remayne. Sum say that it was the place wher sege was laide to the town, and not far thens is a steepe round biry like a wind myl hill extra muros cawlled Grismundes Tower, for Gusmundes Tower, as their say. 715 The place is now a waren for conys, and there hath be found mennes bones insolitae magnitudinis, also to sepulchres ex secto lapide. In one was a round vessel of leade covered, and in hit ashes and peaces of bones. More then iii, partes of the old town is now goodly medow ground. The iiii. part ys yet wel inhabited, having one paroche chirche very richely wrougt, and an abbey [of] Blak Chanons fundatore Henrica primo. But th[ere]afore was a great chirch of prebendaries. [In the] body of [the chirch] in a sepulchre crosse of [white mar]ble is this [inscription, Hic] jacet Rembaldus [presbyter, quondam hujus ecclesiae decanus, et tempore Edwardi regis Angliae cancellarius.] There is also a litle chapel as an almose house.

The soyle in the stony feeldes about Circcestre is more apt for barle then whete.

Therabowt as in Coteswold is smawl plenty of wood except in few places kept of necessite. <sup>716</sup>

Cummyng fro Glocester to Cirecestre almost yn the myddle way betwyxt wher the wood fayleth and champayne countery toward Coteswold appereth, the faire old way made by the Britons ys very evidently seen, and so goeth as strayt as a line to Cirecester, and fro thens to Bathe. But sum wold that the way from Cirecester to Bath should be the very fosse, and the way betwyxt Cirecestre toward Glocester to be an other of the iiii. wayes made by the Britons. The Abbat of Cirecestre told me that about Circcestre should be crosse meating of al the iiii. wayes.

At litle Subbiri, alias Sodbiri, in Glocestreshire a xii. miles from Bristow as yt were by north est appereth on a hille a strong camp of menne of warre doble dichid. It is usid now to be sowen by Mr. Walche.

Kenchester standeth a iii. myles or more above Hereford /103/upward on the same side of the ryver that Herford doth; yet is yt almost a myle fro the ripe of Wy. This towne is far more fo.66.

Hereford shire auncyent then Herford, and was celebrated yn the Romaynes tyme, as appereth by many thinges, and especyally by antique mony of the Caesars very often fownd withyn the towne, and yn plowghyng abowt; the which the people ther cawlleth

Duarfes Mony. The cumpace of Kenchestre hath bene by estimation as much as Herford, excepting the castel, the which at Herford ys very spatiose. Peaces of the walles and turrets yet appere *prope fundamenta*, and more should have appered if the people of Herford town

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and other therabowt had not yn tymes paste pulled down muche and pyked owt of the best for there buildinges. Of late one Mr. Brainton buylding a place at Stretton a myle from Kenchestre dyd fetch much tayled stone there toward his buildinges. They told me ther that one M. Lingham ys owner both of Kenchester and Sutton. By lykelyhod men of old tyme went by Kenchester to Hay, and so to Breknoc and Cair Mardyn. The place wher the town was ys al over growen with brambles, hasylles, and lyke shrubbes. Neverthelesse here and there yet appere ruines of buyldinges, of the which the folisch people cawlle on the King of Feyres Chayre. Ther hath ben fownd nostra memoria lateres Britannici, et ex eisdem canales, aquae ductus, tessellata pavimenta, fragmentm catenulae aureae, calcar ex [auro], 118 by side other strawng thinges. To be short, of the decaye of Kenchestre Herford rose and florishyd. Withowt fayle Herford ys better set as hard apon Wy Ryver, and so nerer to the pastures. But I cannot perceyve that Hereford had any great begynning afore K ing Offas tyme, the which be al likelyhod had a palace at Sutton.

Sutton ys a iiii. myle from Hereford, wher appere notable ruines of sum auncyent, and great building. It is thought ther and a great lykelyhod is that it was sumtyme the mansion of King Offa, at such tyme as Kenchestre stood, or els Herford was abegynnyng./104/

Marden village is abowt a myle from Sutton, and harde by ys a hil wher, as men say, S. Ethelbricght was behedded. At the village now is a fair chirche dedicate to hym. I thynk verely that he was slayn at Sutton yn King Offa's howse. The name of Marden semeth to expresse the Martyrs Hil. The semeth to expresse the Martyrs Hil.

Breknocshire is very montanius, and in sum place very wooddy; netherthelesse in the valles fruteful of corn, and especially of pastures, for the Waschmen yn tymes past, as they do almost yet, did study more to pasturage then tylling, as favorers of their consuete idilness. Among all the montaynes of that shire Blak Montayne is most famose, for he strecchith, as I have lerned, his rootes on one side within a iiii. or v. myles of Monemuth, and on the other side as nere to Cairmerdin. Though this be all one montayne, yet many partes of him have sundry names. Owt of this montayne springeth the heddes of iiii. famose ryvers, that be diverse cowrsys thorowgh Sowth Wales at the last cum ynto the Severn Se. Ther be yn the shire diverse other litle rivers, of whom Giraldus writeth at length, as Hodeney 121 that giveth the old name to Breknoc, that is to say Aberhodeney, 221 and Lleueney 123 that cummeth owt of Atterel Hylles, the wich be cawlled in Walsch Meneth e Cadair, 241 id est montes alti instar cathedrarum, and so descendeth ynto Breknoc Mere, the which is a ii. myles in length, and a myle or more in bredthe. This lake is cawlled in Walsche

<sup>715</sup> The words "tower, for - say", part of a marginal note crushed into small space, are perhaps doubtful

<sup>716</sup> These two notes, written in the margin against the account of the ruined wall tower, p.101, are more conveniently inserted here.

<sup>717</sup> Carmarthen

<sup>718</sup> So Burton, which is supported by Stow's erroneous aurs. Hearne has argento, but there is not room for the word, of which only a remains.

<sup>719</sup> See note before [i.e. previous *Ed.*], p. 99 [1906 *Ed.*]

<sup>720</sup> Carmarthen

<sup>721</sup> Hodni, now Honddu

<sup>722</sup> Aber Hodni, now corrupted into Aber Honddu

<sup>723</sup> Llvvni

<sup>724</sup> Mynydd y Gadeir

Llin Seuathan. 725 Here one thing is to be noted, that after a great revne Lleuenev cummeth owt of the montaynes with such a rage that he bringethe 726 the color of the dark redde sand with hym, and ys sene by the color wher he violently passeth thorough the mere. Thens Lleueney renneth into Wy about Glasbyri a iii. myles from the Hay, the which is in the right way betwixt Herford and Breknoc. Looke more diligently for this lake apon Giraldus book cawlled "Itinerarium Cambriae."

/105/In the lak be umbers, yn Walsche cangans, and great store of pykes, wherof many cum into Wy River, The Lake of Brecnok ons frosen over, and than in a thaue Brecknockbreking, maketh mervelus noise [per] totant viciniam.

The town of Breknoc is welle waulled, and hath a fair castel yoining to hit. The Duke of Bokingham was of late lord there. In the town be .... paroche chirches, and without ....  $\tau^{22}$ There a late was a celle of Blak Monkes longing to Batayle Abbay.

Brekenok waullid. iiii. gates. Old Port superior, as the Hy Gate by north. West Gate by the Blake Freer. They be in the suburbe. Est Gate, Water Gate, Cambrice

Porthene hichca, 728 i.e. superior, the Old Gate. Portbont, 729 Bridgate, alias West Gate.

Portissa 730 the lower gate, alias Est Gate. Portdoure, 731 Water Gate, alias Portwiske. Beside thes gates is one without in the beginning of a suburbs caullid also Porthene. 732 In the towns is a mighti great chapel (S. Mariae), with a large tour for belles of harde ston costely squared with the expences of a thousand poundes.

The paroche was wher the priori was, and was afore ther or the priori was made, and yet is. It stondith north without the waulle apon the ripe of Honddye. 733

The paroch of Llanuays. 734 Llan Chirch, vais extra, ac si diceres extra muros. It standeth betwixt the river of Uske and Tyrtarelle 735 Brooke, that [is] about the lower S. Davidis ende of the toun of Brekenok.

In the est suburbe ys an hospitale with a chapel.

The castel standith in the suburbe and is devided from the toune by Hondeney 736 River, over the wich is a hy bridge of ii. arches to go into the castel, the wich is very large, strong, welle mainteynid; and the keepe of the castel is very large and faire. Ther apperith digging, wher menne laborid to bring a peace of Hondy 737 about to insulate Brekenok with hit and Wiske.

In the toune is a mnrkct twys a weeke Wensday and Saturday.

/106/There hath beene founde about the toune in the feeldes Romaine guenes.

At the ende of the lower part of the castel cummith Honddey <sup>738</sup> into Uske as soone as Wske is Brecknock ones <sup>739</sup> passid thorough the great bridge.

Uske Bridge at Brekenoc was through do un by the [rage] of Wske water anno 26.

Henrici 8. die S. Hugonis. [It] was not by rain but by snow meltid that [cam out of] the montaines. The water [ranne a yarde above]<sup>740</sup> the toppe of the hy bridge, and the circle mark apperithe almost] to the midde waul of the Blake Freres [clo]istre.

To the lordship of Brekenoc longgith but only the market of Brekenok.

In all the lordship of Brekenoc was not in time of memori but the priori of Blake Monkes in Brekenok a cell to Bataile.

Barnardus ne novo mercatu was founder of hit.

Llanthonddye <sup>741</sup> a priori of Blake Chanons, ther caullid Honddye Slade, stondith in the vale of Ewias xiiii. miles from Brekenok. But it is a nother Honddye <sup>742</sup> then that that [sic] cummith to Brekenok. This priori was fair, and stoode betwixt ii great hilles. Suppressid.

For the parte about Honddye Slade it <sup>743</sup> put be likelyehodde Hochuyslade. Monmouth

Shire. Artures Hille is iii. good Walsche (almost v. Englisch) miles south west from Brekenok, and in the veri toppe of the hille is a faire wellespring. This hille of summe is countid the hiest hille of Wales, and in a veri cleere day a manne may se from hit a part of Malvern Hilles, and Glocestre, and Bristow, and part of Devenshir and Cornwale. Ther [be] other diverse hilles by Artures Hille, the wich, with hit, be communely caullid Banne Brekeninuc 744

Llin Seuathan<sup>745</sup> is a iiii. myles by the south south est from /107/Brekenok. It is in bredth a mile, and ii. miles of lenght, and wher as it is depest a xiii. fadom. On the one side wel nere the ripe is a kinde of weedes again goith alonge the Llin, wherin the spaunehath socur, and also the greate fische. At great windes the water doth surge ther mervelusly. Lleueny Brecknock cummith thorough this lake, no great river, and after great raine is parfightly seene of shire redde color in the middest of the lake. After that it is frosen and with thaue beginnith to breeke it makith such a noise that a man wold thinke hit a thunder. It berith as the principale fisch a great numbre of bremes, and they appeyre [in May] in mightii sculles, so that sumtime they breke [the large] nettes: and ons [frayed appereth not in the bryme of the watar that yere agavne. It bereth also good pikes, and perches in greate numbre. Trowtes also, and cheuvns by cumming in of Lleueny.

Menne fische there *uniligneis*, and they be very narow.

S. Joannis

Evangelista

Evangelistae

<sup>725</sup> Llyn Syvaddan

<sup>726</sup> Stow. Leland has bringging

<sup>727</sup> Two blanks left by Leland

<sup>728</sup> Porth hen ucha

<sup>729</sup> Porth y Bont 730 Porth issa

<sup>731</sup> Porth dwr alias Porth Wysc

<sup>732</sup> Porth hen

<sup>733</sup> Honddu

<sup>734</sup> Llan Vaes

<sup>735</sup> Taranell

<sup>736</sup> Hodni

<sup>737 [</sup>See note 736 Ed.]

<sup>738</sup> Honddu

<sup>739</sup> Stow. Leland has one

<sup>740</sup> Stow. Burton has "ranne above", Hearne prints "forward about", which must be wrong

<sup>741</sup> Llanthony

<sup>742</sup> Afon Hodddu

<sup>743</sup> This phrase puzzled the copyists. Stow wrote "above" for "about" and he and Burton "is" for "it", which seems better sense. But the MS is clearly as in the text.

<sup>744</sup> Banne Brycheiniog

<sup>745</sup> Llyn Savaddan

The hedde of the lake wher Lleuenv River cummith in is at Llanuihengle vii. miles from Brekenok. (Michael) Kethedine. 746

The ende is at Llanuihengle Tale Llin. 747

Penkelthle<sup>748</sup> Castel ii. mile from Brekenok, ther on the farther side of Uske. But ther is onely a faire medow bytwixt Uske and hit. Sum say that it longgid to the Mortimer. Syns the lordship was dividid betwixt the Duke of Bokingham, and one of the Herebertes at Tale proprie Montgomeri. But the castel longgith to the Herebert.

Blain Lleueni 749 in sum auncient writinges caullid Eueri Castel, and Lleueni Water caullid Eueri Brooke.

The honor of Blain Lleueni, iii, miles from Penkelthle, and v. from Brekenok, and within a mile of the mere, standing in a valley ys in the Walsche Talegarth, wher is yet the shape of a veri fair castel now dekeiving, and by was a borow town now also in decay. Both longgid to the Erle of Marche. Though Blaine Lleueni be in the Walsch Talegarth, yet the tenauntes kepe the Englische tenor.

Llangors lordship in Talgarth is a membre to Blain Lleueny.

Dinas Castel stondith a good mile from Blan Lleueni /108/apon a topp of a notable hille. It is now ruinus almost to the hard ground. Ther be manifest tokins of iii. wardes waullid abowt. And therby was sumtime iii, parkes, and a forest. The parkes be down, but yet good plenty is ther of redde deere. The tenantes of Dinas hold of the Walsch tenor. It is set by like of one of the hilles caullid Chathedrales. The people about Dinas did burne Dinas Castel that Oene Glindour<sup>750</sup> shuld not kepe it for his forteres.

Part as sum say of Llinseuatan is in the Walsch Tallegartl, and part in Breknok lordship. [the whiche be devidid by Lleueni.]<sup>751</sup>

In the Walsch Talgar 752 is no notable town nor castel besides thes.

Lleueny risith in the Walsch Talegart hard by Blain Lleueny.

In the Englisch Talegart is no notable building but a litle prison by Talegarth Chirch in the town, and Mr. William Vehans Esquiers place caullid Porthamal, i.e. Porta copiae, half a mile from Talegarth Chirch in the valley. The howse hath a fair gate and a strong waul embatelid.

Tretour. 753 a smaulle village stonding on a litle brooke, and within half a mile of Wiske. Ther is a prety castel longging now to the King, and therby also in the village is a fair place of Henry Vehan Esquier.

Crekehouel <sup>754</sup> a, preati tounlet (Cragus Hoelinus a mile from Tretour, and iiii, miles from Abergeveni) stondith as in a valley apon Wisk, but by hit is an hille, and in the valley hard by the toune is a castel longging ons to the Paunsford, but now to the King.

Tretour and Creghouel stand in Estrodewe<sup>755</sup> hundrede.

The Hay x. miles bi est from Breknok.

Glindama a lordship, within a mile of the Hay. In it is no market toune nor castel; but at Llanigo 756 apperith a tour tanquam noxiorum custodiae deputata.

/109/Broynlles 757 (a place wher [russhis] grouith) Castel in the midde way betwix the Hay and Breknok. It standith in the hundrede of Cantercely. [Brwyn-llyo = the Court of (the man) Brwvn.1

Buelth apon Wy is a good market toun, and ther is a fair castel of the Kinges. Brecknock-This lordeship hath good plenti of woode.

Lannedeu, 758 a mile from Brekenok, a lordship of the Bisshops of S. David, wher was sumtime a veri place of the bisshops, now no thing but an onsemeli ruine. fo. 70.

The Archidiacon of Brekenok hath a house even there, and that is also fallen doune for the more part. Giraldus makith mention of this house.

Ther is a Llinne yn Low Eluel <sup>759</sup> within a mile of Paynes Castel by the chirch caulled Llanpeder. <sup>760</sup> The Llinne is caullid Bougkdamallinne, <sup>761</sup> and is of no great quantite, but is plentiful of pike and perche and eles.

Hene (Old) Wy had a course in Low Eluel not far from the chirch of Glasebiry, Radnor. but now he hath suarvid his course a good but shotte of. Wher of old time he ran, is now a poole cawllid Henewy, <sup>762</sup> wher in now be greate luces and tenchis. The poole is of no greate quantite. At Clunne <sup>763</sup> in the low medow is a preati poole wherin be good luces and tenchis.

Loogh (Poole) Tawe <sup>764</sup> in Blake Montaine, wher sum say is the hedde of Tawe that cummith to Swansey, bredith no fische, and if fisch be cast into hit it dieth shortely.

Part of Melennith is welle wooddid, the other is but scant. Ther is in Melennith plenty in sum places of corn, and great plenty of gress. In Melennith is a good breed of horse on a montain caullid Herdoel. <sup>765</sup> Ther be left al maner of catail al winter, and prove welle.

Comothuder<sup>766</sup> is a prety tounlet, and ther about is plenty of wood.

<sup>746</sup> Llan Vihangel Cathedine

<sup>747</sup> Tal v Illvn

<sup>748</sup> Pengelli Castle

<sup>749</sup> Blaen Llvvni

<sup>750</sup> Owen Glyndwr

<sup>751</sup> Stow and Burton both have Lleveny, and this word fits the space whence the word is almost gone better than Hearne's reading Llinseuaton, which is too long.

<sup>752</sup> Talgarth

<sup>753</sup> Tretower

<sup>754</sup> Crickhowel

<sup>755</sup> Ystrad yw

<sup>756</sup> Llanigon

<sup>757</sup> Brwynllys

<sup>758</sup> Llanthew

<sup>759</sup> Elvel

<sup>760</sup> Llanbedr

<sup>761?</sup> Bwch dana

<sup>762</sup> Hen Wy

<sup>763</sup> Clun

<sup>764</sup> Llwch Tawe

<sup>765?</sup> Rhvd Howel

<sup>766</sup> Cwm Doyddwr

Honddye <sup>767</sup> risith at a place caullid Blainhonddy (blain, a point), a vii. miles from Brekenok, and in Brekenok lordship, and rennith thorough a valley caullid Dyffrin Honddye. Wisk risith in Blake Montein <sup>768</sup> a x. miles above Brekenoc /110/ toward Cairmadine, <sup>769</sup> and so rennith thorough the litle forest and great forest of Brekenok, and so cummith thorough Redbryuu <sup>770</sup> (Redbreu, *i.e. vadunt fractum*) Bridge to Brekenok, to Aberco nureg <sup>771</sup> a maner place of the Aubres, to Penkelthle, <sup>772</sup> to Creghoel, to Abregeveni, to Uske, Cairleon, Neuport. Sum say that the Vers Erles of Oxford wer caullid Aubres.

Lleueni risith hard by Blainlleueni Castel, and so within a mile thorough Llin Seuathan by Broynlles Castel, and so by Glasebiri into Wy at a place caullid Abrelleueny.

Brennik<sup>773</sup> risith in one of the hilles caullid Mennith e gader,<sup>774</sup> and rennith thorough Englisch Talegarth and by Broynlles Castel into Lleueni at Aber Brennik.

Brenych<sup>775</sup> risith a iii. miles from Brekenok at a place caullid Blain [Brenych<sup>776</sup>] and cummith into Wiske at Abrebrenych against Mr. Aubereis maner.

Tertarith The a great broke risith in the Banne Hilles a v. miles from Brekenok, and cummith into Uske in Brekenok suburbe by a place caullid Trenewith. S. David Chirch in the suburbe of Brekenok stoode ons on this brooke, and spillid *alluvione* was remevid to an other place.

The hilles caullid in Walsch Mennith e gader<sup>778</sup> appere in Talegarth about Dinas, and so to the places about Nanthonddy, and with sum part of thes montaines meate the greats hilles caullid Banne Brekeniauc, <sup>779</sup> and renneth in length to the Blake Montaine to my estimation apon an xviii. miles. <sup>780</sup>

When I approchid nere the Hay, and began to discend from thens I saw on the hither side fo. 72 of Wy a good mile from the Hay the castel of Clereho. 781 After passing over Wy River, the which for lak of good knowleg yn me of the fourde did sore troble my horse, I cam *in crepuscula* to the Hay.

The Hay stondith hard apon Wy, and yet sheuith the/111/ token of a right of Brecknockstrong waul!e, having in hit iii. gates and a posterne. Ther is also a castel, the shire. which sumtime hath bene right stately.

Within the toune is but one poore paroche. In the suburbe hard by Wy is a paroche chirch meately fair. Ther is also in the suburbe a chapel wher on a Sunday I hard Messe. Not far from the paroche chirch in the suburbe is a great rounde hille of yerth cast up by mennes hondes other for a wynd mille to stond apon, or rather for sum fortres of bataille.

The toun of the Hay yet hath a market, but the toun within the waulles is wonderfully decaied. The ruine is adscribid to Gene Glindour.

One shewid me in the town the ruines of a gentilman's place caullid Waulwine, <sup>782</sup> be whose meanes Prince Lluelin was sodenli taken at Buelth Castel, and ther beheddid, and his hedde sent to the Kinge.

Dulesse<sup>783</sup> a prety river rising in the montannes about a iii. myles from Hay cummeth even thorough the toun, and strait into Wy without the est gate of the town. In feldes hard by in ploughyng hath be founde offtimes *numismata Romanorum*, the wich ther communely be caulled the Jewis mony.

The tounne longgid to the Duke of Bokingham. It perteinith now to the Lord Staford his [sonne.] Artures Hille, and summe other of the [bank]nes veri manifestly apere to a man loking out [of th]e w[est gate] of Hay.

Cumming to the midde way bytwixt the Hay and Breknok I left on the lift honde the great ruines of the castel of Broynlles in Canterceli, 784 and saw on the lifte hond also a ii. miles from Broynlles on the toppe of an hille the ruines of Dinas Castel.

And then to Brekenok, wher nere to the toune I cam stille doune hilles, seing Honddye River and the foote, enterid into the suburbe of Brekenok by Porte Hene. <sup>785</sup>

Going from Brekenok toward Llinseuathan a ii. miles out of Brekenok I saw the castel of Pengelthle, leving it on the lifte honde. And at the Llinnseuathan I saw on the right honde scant a mile of Blainlleueny <sup>786</sup> Castel.

Brecknock /112/Going from Breknok to Englisch Talgarth Chirch, and so to Mr. William Vehans dwelling at Porthamal I lefte, almost at Talgarth Chirch, Broynlles almost a mile on the lifte honde, and Dinas a ii. miles on the right hond.

Cumming from Brekenok toward Llanameueri<sup>787</sup> within lesse then iii. miles I enterid into the great forest of Brekenok,<sup>788</sup> wher menne of late were not wont to passe without tolle of mony, and so thorough that a iii. [myle <sup>789</sup>] to the litle forest, leving Wisk alway on the right hond, and about the ende of the litle forest I saw a litle pile on Wiske strongli buildid as a logge. The people say ther that it was buildid of a ladi, the wich also buildid much of Breknok

<sup>767</sup> Hond du

<sup>768</sup> Y Van

<sup>769</sup> Carmarthen

<sup>770</sup> Rhyd-friw (?)

<sup>771</sup> Aber Cynvrig

<sup>772</sup> Pengelli

<sup>773</sup> Brennig

<sup>774</sup> Mynydd y Gader

<sup>775</sup> Brynych

<sup>776</sup> Supplied by J.G.E.

<sup>777</sup> Taranell

<sup>778</sup> Mynydd y Gader

<sup>779</sup> Banne Brycheiniog

<sup>780</sup> The rest of fo. 71 is blank

<sup>781</sup> Clyro

<sup>782</sup> Walwyn

<sup>783</sup> Dulas

<sup>784 ?</sup> Cantre Celli

<sup>785</sup> Porth Hen = Old Gate

<sup>786</sup> Blaen Llyvni

<sup>787</sup> Llan y ddyvri = Llandovery

<sup>788&</sup>quot; The forest is in Walsch caullid Maiscar, peradventure for Maiscaro." - Marginal note

<sup>789</sup> Omitted by Leland

Castel, caullid Malt Walbere. This was she that sum caul Matabrune, of whom so many fables be told as of a wiche (saga <sup>790</sup>). And about a mile thens I cam to Trecastel toune, sumtime a large borow and market, now much in ruine, wherby yet apperith the ruines of a castel. In the botom of this toun rennith Luggun, a brooke rising a ii. miles of in a marisch on the side of an hille, and by Trecastel rennith into Wiske. Ther is buillding on the farther side of this river hard joining to Trecastel, and is caullid the Bisshops Toun, and it kepith Lawday at Llan[ddew] lordship a myle from Brekenok [as Trecastel dothe at Brekenok.]

Then passing up warde the hille a mile and more I left on the right honde Munnith du, 791 the Blake Montaine, and a ii. myles thens also on the lift hond apperid the place wher the river of Wiske doth springe, as owt of a fontaine or welle caullid Blainwiske.

The ground from Trecastel to Llanameueri is hilli, for the most part baren of wood, but toward the valley wherin Llanameueri is set meately plenteful of pasture and <sup>792</sup>corne.

And here marke that not xxx. yeres ago ther was nother barley sowid in the lordship of Brekenok nor Llanameueri, /113/but the inhabitantes did by their barlei owt of the partes of Herfordshire, and moche other corne, wher as now thei have ynough for their oune use and also to selle.

About a iii. [myles <sup>793</sup>] a this side Llanam[e]uery is a rillet of veri bare streame, wher is a *limes* betwixt the lordshippe self of Brekenok and Llanameueri.

Trecastel is a ix. miles from Brekenok, and Breknok, <sup>794</sup> and Llanameueri is vi. miles Dr. thens.

A litle or I cam to Llanameueri I passid over a brooke caullid Guitherik, <sup>795</sup> whos course was not long or it cam into Tewe, <sup>796</sup> not far from the toune of Llanamuery.

Nor far of this brooke I cam over Brane<sup>797</sup> River that risith a xii. miles of, and cummith hard by the foote of Llanameueri Castel.

And even almost by hit passid over the litle brooke of Eueri, <sup>798</sup> renning thoroug the middes of the toun of Llanameueri. So that the castel hath on the one side Brane River, and on the other Euery Brooke.

Brane a litle beneth Castel, and also Euery goith into the great river of Tewe.

Llanameueri a poore market, much standing by repears that cary fische from the quarters of Cairmardine to the lower partes of Wales, hath but one streate, and that poorely buildid of thatchid houses. To the tounlet longgith on chirch withyn, and a nother a quarter of a mile oute of the toune.

790 Saga is written over wiche, as though in correction of the word. "Soga" is used in Welsh as an epithet of contempt towards old women

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Passing owt of Llanameueri within a ii. forow lenght I rode over the river of Tewe, the wiche ther oftentimes dronith in winter divers menne for lakke of a bridge, and thens or I cam to Abremarlais<sup>799</sup> iiii. miles of I passid over ii. brokes whereof the one was caullid Munneys.

Marleis Broke maketh no great course, but cumming thorough the parke that he givith name onto goith into Tewi. 800 In Marleis Parke is a welle favorid stone place motid, new mendid and augmentid bi Sir Rhese ap Thomas. Ther now dwellithe Thomas ap Jonys an esquier.

Carmarthen- /114/The grond bytwixt Llanameueri and Abremarlais is well wooddid.

hire I lernid at Llanameueri that Tewe cummith by Llangerik <sup>801</sup> in Powisland in the lordship of Arustle, and that is hedde is not far thens. <sup>802</sup>

Cumming from Abremarlais a ii. miles toward Cairmardine I saw on the right hond about a iii. miles of the desolate Priori of White Chanons, communely caullid Talley *alias* <sup>803</sup>....

Again forward to good miles more I rode down into a greate botom wherin ranne the pretiriver of Dules and so into Tewe.  $^{804}$ 

But or I came into the vale I espied on the right hond the castel of Dineuer <sup>805</sup> by estimation a iii. miles of *in citeriori ripa Teuii*.

From this Dulesse <sup>807</sup> about a ii. mile farther I passid over a nother ca ullid .... And a iii. or iiii. miles beyond that I roode over a nother riveret caullid Dules that goith into Tewe hard by Drislan Castel. <sup>808</sup>

Dryslan (as I lernid) is as moch to say as a place ful of difficulte and encombrance to passe thorough.

A iii. miles beyound this I passid over a great bridge, under the wich rennith the fair river of Cothey<sup>809</sup> and not veri far into Tewe.

And so thorow a litle valle, hi hilles being on eche side, onto Abreguile<sup>810</sup> a iii. miles or more, wher is a fair collegiate chirch of prebendaries longging to S. David. And a mile thens to Cairmardein.

From Cairmardine to Cowen<sup>811</sup> Bridge. Cowen risith at Blaincowen<sup>812</sup> a ii. miles or more above the bridge, and after into Taue<sup>813</sup> River.

Brecknock-

<sup>791</sup> Mvnvdd du

<sup>792</sup> Stow. Leeland has of for and.

<sup>793</sup> Stow. Leland omits

<sup>794</sup> These two words seem redundant

<sup>795</sup> Gwydderig

<sup>796</sup> Towy

<sup>797</sup> Bran

<sup>798</sup> Dyvri

<sup>799</sup> Aber Marleis

<sup>800</sup> Towy

<sup>801</sup> Llan Gurig

<sup>802</sup> Against this sentence Leland wrote "false"

<sup>803</sup> Tal y Llycheu

<sup>804</sup> Towy

<sup>805</sup> Dinevor

<sup>806</sup> Towy

<sup>807</sup> Dulas

<sup>808</sup> Dryslwyn Castle

<sup>809</sup> Cothi

<sup>810</sup> Aber Gwili

<sup>811</sup> Cowvn

<sup>812</sup> Blaen Cowyn

<sup>813</sup> Tav

From Cowen Bridge to Duddey <sup>814</sup> riveret. From Duddey a flit shot of to Garthkiny <sup>815</sup> River that rennith under the townlet of Sainct Glare. <sup>816</sup>

From thens to Whitland apon Taue<sup>817</sup> iiii. miles.

/115/But or I cam to Whitland I passid over the brooke of Venny.

Carmarthen-

As I here say ther is a forest by Llanandeuery. 818

But bytwixt Cairmardin and Whitland is in no place such plenti of wood as is at Whitland self standing in a vast wood as in a wildernes. Moch ground otherwise and hilles abowt hit baren of wood.

From Whitland passing toward Llanfith<sup>819</sup> half a mile owt of Whitland I passid over the litle broke of Marleis, and so continuing my jorney by meane hilles and shire dales cam to Llanfith wherby the Bisshop of S. David's hath a place of stoone after castel fascion stonding on .... Brooke that goith to the salt water by Penbroke.

Bytwixt Whitland and Llanfeth is xii. Walsche miles, conteining abowt an xviii. Englisch miles.

Al the hy way betwixt Whitland and Llanfeth is almost hethy, yet on everi side [sum]what distant I sau in valleis and on hille sides good corne.

But the ground is sumwhat baren of wood, [as] al Penbrookshire almost is, except wher a few parkes be. But the ground in divers partes of Penbrokeshire berith se coles, wherwith communely the people make her and with firres, as thei do also about Cairmardine, though ther be better plenti of wood. Bi one of thes coles pittes being a iiii. miles from Llanfith I cam.

Also almost in the midde wai betwixt Whitland and Llanfeth I saw a place on the right hand as it wer a castel distant by estimation a iii. miles.

And within a ii. miles of Llanfeth on the right hond I saw the castel of Carew repaired or magnificently buildid by Syr Rhese ap Thomas. It stondith by a creke of Milford Haven.

From Llanfeth to Penbrok is but a good mile.

Penbroke standith upon an arme of Milford, the which about a mile beyond the towne creketh in that so that it almost peninsulatith the toune that standith on a veri maine rokki ground.

The toune is welle waullid and hath iii. gates by est, west and north, of the wich the est gate is fairest and strongest, /116/having afore hit a compasid tour not rofid, in the entering wherof is a portcolys ex solido ferro.

The castel stondith hard by the waul on a hard rokke, and is veri larg and strong, being doble wardid. In the utter ward I saw the chaumbre wher King Henri the VII. was borne, in knowlege wherof a chymmeney is new made with the armes and badges of King Henri the VII. In the botom of the great stronge rownd tower in the inner ward is a mervelus vault

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caullid the Hogan. The toppe of this round towr is gatherid with a rofe of stone almost *in conum*, the top wherof is keverid with a flat mille stone.

In the toune be a ii. paroche chirchis, and one in the suburbe.

Montaine a celle of Blak Monkes in the suburbe is suppressid.

The toune hath bene welle buildyd, <sup>820</sup> and the est suburbe hath bene almost as great as the toun, but now it is totally yn ruine.

Cumming from Llanfeth towarde Tinbighe<sup>821</sup> I rode by a ruinus waulle of a parke sumtime longging to Syr Rhese, now voide of dere. In the parke is veri litle or no hye woode, but shrubbis and fyrris, like as is in the ii. parkes about Carew, waullid with stones.

The Chirch of S. Florein<sup>822</sup> and tounlet is in a botom by the parke.

A litle beyond this as more then half way betwixt Penbroke and Tinbigh apperid the castel of Mainorpirrhe 823 a mile of on the right hande. It standith as it were betwixt to pointing hillettes, between the wich the Severn Se gulfith in almost the length of a quarter of a mile.

Thens to Tinbigh.

Tinbigh<sup>824</sup> town stondith on a main rokke, but not veri hy, and the Severn Se so gulfeth in about hit, that at the ful se almost the thirde part of the toune is inclosid with water. The toune is strongeli waullid, and welle gatid, everi gate having his portcolis *ex solido ferro*. But that gate that ledith /117/to Cairmardin ward is most semeliest, as circulid without with an embatelid but open rofid towr, after the fascion of the east gate of Penbroke. Without this gate is a preti suburbe.

In the middes of the town is a faire paroche chirch.

The toun it selfe lakkith fresch water, wherfore utuntur importata.

From Tinbigh I went to the cole pittes on a hille topp ii. miles of, not far from the Severne shore. And a good mile beyond them I roode thorough a wood not veri greate, but yet the fairest that I remembre that I saw in Penbrokshire.

Thens I enterid again into Whitland way.

The nerest *trajectus* into Caldey is almost in the midde way bytwixt Mainorpirrhe and Tinbighe at a poynlet, and ther it is litle above a mile.

[Beinge against Mainorpirrhe] I saw Lundey lying far of in the Severn Se.

Cumming from Cairmardine toward Llandewibreui, a mile owt of Cairmardine, I Carmarthen-passid over Guily River, 825 and so folouid the curse of hit, having yt in sighte by the shire riding of iiii. or v. miles, marking divers litle brokes going into hit as into the botom of the valley.

Then riding *per aliquot miliaria* I began to se Tyue <sup>826</sup> River, and kept it stil in sight, riding stille by stony hilles and valleys, and passing thoroughe a wood of okes caullid .... and

<sup>814</sup> Dewi

<sup>815</sup> Garthgynin

<sup>816</sup> St. Clears

<sup>817</sup> Tav

<sup>818</sup> Llan am ddyvri i.e Llandovery

<sup>819</sup> Llan ffydd, now Lamphey

<sup>820</sup> Stow. Leland wrote build

<sup>821</sup> Dinbych = Tenby

<sup>822</sup> St. Florence

<sup>823</sup> Maenor Pir, vulgarly written Manorbier

<sup>824</sup> Leland first wrote *Dinbigh*, then 'corrected' it

<sup>825</sup> Gwili

<sup>826</sup> Teivi

after by a prety Llin on the right hond cawllid Gogurne, and so leving also hard on the right hond Pencragan, 827 a rokke so caullid bycawse it is a rounde coppid hil of stonis, cam a litle of into a vile cotage standing in a vale by Tiue to bayte.

Thens I rode to Llandewy Breui v. miles of (Landewi, as sum say, caullid Breui, shire bycause it stondith on Breuy Brooke), betwixt the which places I saw a prety Llin riot far from Tyui side caullid Llinpeder, 828 sumwhat bigger then Llingogurn; but I saw out of neither of them any notable issue of water.

I saw also a bridge or ii. over Tiue.

/118/ Landewi Brebui is but a simple or poore village. I passid over a litle broke to Cardiganshire entre into hit. It is set among montaines on every [side 829] but by west, wher is the valley of Tiue. Tiue River is about half a mile of. The collegiate chirch of prebendaries standith sumwhat apon a hy ground, but it is rude. Thens to Tregaron ii. miles, wher is a chirch standin apon a round coppe of cast yerth.

By rennith a broke caullid [Brennig 830]....

So passing under a hy hille side, I saw hard by on the lift honde a great fenny more, owt of the wich the inhabitantes therabout digge turfes for fier, and by the same fenne is a fair llin cawllid Llinridde ii. miles from Strateflur.

Strateflure set round about with montanes not far distant, except on the west parte, wher Diffrin Tyue size. Many hilles therabout hath bene well woddid, as evidently by old rotes apperith, but now in them is [almost no woode.]

The causses be these; first the wood cut down was never copisid, and this hath beene a great cause of destruction of wood thorough Wales. Secondly after cutting down of wooddys the gottys hath so bytten the young spring that it never grew but lyke shrubbes. Thirddely men for the nonys destroied the great woddis that thei shuld not harborow theves.

The chirch of Strateflere is larg, side ilid and crosse ilid. By is a large cloyster, the fratry and infirmitori be now mere ruines. The coemiteri wherin the cunteri about doth buri is veri large, and meanely waullid with stoone. In it be xxxix, great hue trees. The base court or camp afore the abbay is veri fair and large. The fundation of the body of the chirch was made to have bene 60. foote lengger then it is now.

/119/Thens I went a good half mile by Tiue Vale, and a mile and a half up the Cardigancraggi and stoni montaines to Llin Tyue. 833 and ii. miles beyound hit, passing

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over Clarduy, to Cregnaulin. 834 If I had goone from thens a mile of to a hy hille I might have sene Penlinmon, 835 then distant a v. miles. The hilles bytwyxt Linne Tyue and Cragnaugllin were not in sight so stony as the hilles bytwyxt Stratfler and Llin Tyue.

I standing on Creggenaugllin saw in no place within sight no woodd but al hilly pastures.

From Strateflere I roode by rank, hylli and valley pastures a ii. Walsche miles, and so passing over Maknant 836 a wild brooke renning on rokkes and a nother whos name I remembre not, cam to the thirde caullid Nantlluys, <sup>837</sup> and therby on the right hond I saw an hille caullid Crag John, and so over Melewen <sup>838</sup> River that therby in sight went ynto Ustwith<sup>839</sup> River.

Or I cam to Melewen I had riden bi the space of a iii. miles in Comeustwith.<sup>840</sup>

From Melewen I enterid to the valley of Ustwith, so narowly with rokky montains enclosid, that in wynter the streame occupieth al the botom of the valley.

First entering this botom I saw on the right hond an hille 841 caullid Me[nithduy.] 842

The first river be side Tyue that I passid over was Clardue, that is to say Blak Rlak Clare Clare, no great streame but cumming thoroug cragges. In the farther side of hit I saw ii. veri poore cotagis for somer dayres for catel, and hard by were ii. hillettes, thorough the wich Clarduy passith, wher they fable that a gigant striding was wont to wasch his hondes, and that Arture killid hym. The dwellers say also that the gigant was buried therby, and shew the place.

Clarduy risith about half a mile from that place in a mares, and rennyng ii. Walsch milys in al goith into Clar/120/wen. Clarwen<sup>843</sup> risith in a valley not far from White Clare Llinyuigin Velen, that is a good mile from Cargnaullinn. After that Clarwen

hath receivid Clarduy he rennith a iii. miles or he cum into Alen River, far bigger river then other<sup>844</sup> of the Clars.

Alen<sup>845</sup> River risith in the blain or upper part of Comeustwith in Cairdiganshire, and renning iiii. Walsch miles cummith into Owy, caullid in Englisch Wy, a litle beneth Rather gowy <sup>846</sup> a market toun yn Comemytother. <sup>847</sup> It is caullid Rather Owy bycause it stondith on Wy River. But or ever I cam to Clarduy, that is about a iii. mile from Ystradfler, I passid per

<sup>827</sup> Pencarreg

<sup>828?</sup> Pencarreg Lake

<sup>829</sup> Leland seems to have intended side. Not in Stow.

<sup>830</sup> The town of Tregaron is situated on the Berwyn river, and the church is on the banks of the Brennig J.G.E.

<sup>830</sup> Ystrad Fflur. Amarginal note here, being at the bottom corner of fo. 75, is much torn. Hearne could read a few letters not now visible: "[Strat] fler of sum [ca]ullid bycause ..... bytwixt it and Flere [Broke]s. Of sum ..... it stode in the ......".

<sup>831</sup> Dyffryn Teivi

<sup>833</sup> Llyn Teivi

<sup>834</sup> Craig naw llvn

<sup>835</sup> Pumlumon i.e Pump llumon = five points [peaks Ed.], vulgarly written Plinlimon

<sup>836</sup> Mochnant

<sup>837</sup> Nant -Ilvs

<sup>838</sup> Elwyn

<sup>839</sup> Ystwith.

<sup>840</sup> Cwm Ystwith

<sup>841</sup> A pointing hand symbol here

<sup>842</sup> Mynydd du. Stow. The word, being at the right-hand bottom corner of fo. 76, is torn off in the original.

<sup>843</sup> Claerwen

<sup>844</sup> Leland wrote in error of ther after "other".

<sup>845</sup> Elan

<sup>846</sup> Rhaiadr Gwy

<sup>847</sup> Cwm Doyddwr

montes praeruptos, per paludes et invia saxa, and cam to Llin Tyue, the wich is in cumpace a iii. quarters of a mile, being ii. miles be east from Strateflere.

It is fedde fro hyer places with a litle broket, and issueth out againe by a smaulle gut. Ther is in it veri good trouttes and elys, and noe other fisch.

From Clarduy to Cragnaulinn is a good mile by est, and standing by a stone on the top of this hille I saw v. poolis by south west, wherof the biggest is Llinn Helignant, shorter
Lignante, having no other fisch but trouttes and elys. One side of the pooles, [that] is the south side, hath trouttes as redde as salmon. The west side hath white, likewise as hath Llin Tyue. This pole is scene to be fedde with no brooke, and hath a brooke issuing out of hym of his oune name, and cummith into Tyue in the west side of Tyue half a mile above Stradfler.

Llinnher, <sup>848</sup> i. *longus lacus*, for it is iii. quarters of a mile in lenght, having no great bredthe nor issue of brok owt of hit, but plentiful of trouttes and elys.

Llinn Gorlan hath no issue, but berith elys and trouttes.

Llinngronn hath no issue, and semid to me hard yoinid to Llin Gorlan.

LlinTyue the fifte apperid also from Cragnaulin, but distant a mile from the other iiii.

Nere about the Cragnaulin stone apperid other iii. pollis.

/121/Llin Veryddon Vaur<sup>849</sup> having trouttes and elis but no broke cumming into hit or going owt.

Llinn Veryddon Vehan<sup>850</sup> having trouttes and elys, but no brok cumming into hit or going owt.

Linduy, <sup>851</sup> i.e. *lacus* niger, even under the botom of the hille side having trouttes and elys but no broke cumming into hit or going oute.

Llinyuigin Velen<sup>852</sup> that is a mile from the stone by south west. Yuigin is to say a quaking more. Velen is yelow of the color of the mosse and corrupt gresse about hit.

Of al these pooles none stondith in so rokky and stony soile as Tyue doth, that hath also withyn hym many stonis.

The ground al about Tyue, and a great mile of toward Stratfler is horrible with the sighte of bare stones, as Cregeryri $^{853}$  Montaines be. Llinne .... $^{854}$ 

Llinnllanabeder within half a mile of Llanbeder having trouttes and elys.

Llinnyrythe 855 having trouttes and elys standinge by a great fenn in [the midde petrinus wave beiwixt] ... 856

Thes iiii. poles be in the lordship of Pennarth<sup>857</sup> longging to the principal of the Hoghans. The chefe toun of this lordship being in Cairdiganshire is Trecharon.<sup>858</sup> But the Abbate of

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848 Llvn hir

849 Llvn Gwerddon Vawr

850 Llyn Gwerddon Vechan

851 Llvn du

852 Llyn y Vigin velen

853 Craig Eryri = Snowdon

854 Blank in MS

855 Llvn v rhvd

856 Torn, at bottom of fo. 77

Strateflere hath much landes in the same lordship, and thes iii. pooles longs to the Abbat of Stratflere.

Llin Yridde ii. miles from Strateflere owt of whom goith a litle issue or broket. I writ of this afore.

Llinycregnant a bigge poole veri ful of trouttes and elys. It is from Strateflur a iii. by west toward Llanandeuery 859

Llinne duy i. *lacus niger*, very deape and ful of trouttcs and elys. It is iii. miles by south from Strateflur toward Buelth lordshippe.

Linnygorres, <sup>860</sup> not ii. miles from Llinduy. Gorsse in Walsche, a myer in Englisch. It hath trouttes and elys.

/122/Al thes that be byfore save Llinn Llanabeder, and al thes that follow long to the Abbat of Strateflere.

Llinngynon apon a hy montaine iiii miles from Strateflure by south west, having trouttes and elys, and a litle issue owt of hit, and goith into the broket that cummith owt of Llin Helignant.

Llinn Creg lloydon<sup>861</sup> v. myles or vi. from Stratfler toward Poysland. It hath an issue that goith into Elan or Alan Water, that goith into Wy.

Llin Winge is almost yoinid to Llinncreglloydon, but it hath no issue.

The river of Alan in the next part of hit is viii. miles from Strateflere, and ther parteth Cairdiganshire from the lordship of Rather or Comemytother. 862 Rather is the chefe toun yn Comytother.

Al the montaine ground bytwixt Alen and Strateflure longgeth to Stratefleere, and is almoste for wilde pastures and breding grounde, in so much that everi man there about puttith on bastes as many as they wylle without paiying of mony.

From Stratefler toward Lanandeueri is xviii, miles, of the wich xii. miles of montain grounde partely pasture soyle partely longgith to Strateflere, and ther about partith Cairdiganshire from Cairmardineshire. For therby hath Stratefler a graunge caullid Nantbay in Cairmardineshire.

Strateflur is xx. Walsch miles from Mahenclif, <sup>863</sup> and all the soile bytwyxt is montanius ful of pasture for a xvi. miles, but within a iiii. myles of Mahen[clif] wooddy.

From Sratefler to Llangyric *(fanum Cyriaci)* xii. miles. Llangyrik is in Arusteley <sup>864</sup> lordship in Poisland. Wy renning therby devidith Cairdiganshire from Powislande. Of these xii. miles viii. be monta[nius] ground longging to Stratefler, al for pasture.

Betwixt Stratefler and Buelth toun xvi. of thes be vi. in in [sic] Cairdiganshire, Cardiganthe wich 865 Towe 866 River devidith from Cair/123/diganshire. Althis vi. miles is shire.

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857 Penardd

858 Tre Garon

859 Llan - am -ddvvri

860 Llyn y Gors

861 Llyn Cerrig llwydon

862 Rhaiadr or Cwm doyddwr

863 Machynlleth

864 Arwystli

Lacus

montayne ground for pasture, and longgith to Strateflure Abbay, but the pastures of thes hilles be fre to the inhabitantes, as well as all other montaine pasture longging to Strateflere.

The pastures of the montaynes of Cairdiganshire beso great that the hunderith part of hit rottith on the ground, and maketh sogges and quikke more by long continuance for lak of eting of hit.

Afore the new Acte Llanduebreui <sup>867</sup> was a separate lordship, *limes* on one side to Cairmardinshire, on the other side to Cairdiganshire.

From Stratflur to Cairdigan xxx. but caullid xxviii.

Tiue<sup>868</sup> devidith toward the mouth Pembrokshir from Cairdiganshire.

From Cairdigan to Aberustwith a market toun ons waullid xxx. [miles.]

From Aberustwith to Aberdeuy vi. miles. Deuy <sup>869</sup> devidith Cairdiganshire from Merionithshire in North Wales.

Mahenclif in Poisland vi. miles from Aberdeui.

Llandewibreui xxiiii. miles from Cairdigan.

fo. 79.

The Abbat of Whiteland told me a meri tale of one that purchasid a licens by a color of ii. rivers about Powysland, of the wich (as I remember) soundid that in Walsch, that is in Englisch a hogge of ii. yeres, and the other a hogge of iii yeres.

Ther hath beene in times paste a greate mine digging for leade in Comeustwith<sup>870</sup> a vi. myles from Strateflur, wher is a graunge longging to Strateflure. But summe menne suppose that it sesid, bycawse the wood is sore wastith.

A monke of Strateflur told me that for a certenty Newport in Kemmisland is Pembroke. caullid Tredraith in Walsch.

Ther is a church caullid Llansanfride<sup>871</sup> vii. miles from Aberustwith upper to Cairdigan on the se side, and ther hath bene great building. But wither this was the abbay of Llanfride of the wich mention is made in the booke "De Dotatione Ecclesiae S. Davidis", or no, I can not telle.

Cardiganshire. Ther is a nother Llansanfrid in Comytother, <sup>872</sup> and peraven/124/ture this is that Llansanfride Nunneri made in a newer world, of the which Giraldus spekith.

Ther hath bene great building at Llanrustyt, <sup>873</sup> a mile lower on the se banke then Llansanfride Cairdiganshire, and sum suppose that ther hath bene a nunnery.

Ustwith risith owt of a mares grounde caullid Blaine Ustwith iii. miles from Llangibike <sup>874</sup> on Wy. It is in Comeustwith, and so rennith good vi. miles thorough Comeustwith, and a vi. or vii. mo miles to Abreustwith.

866 Towy
867 Llan Dewi Brevi
868 Teivi
869 Dyvi .... Aber Dyvi
870 Cwm Ystwith
871 Llan San Ffred, a little north of Aber Aeron
872 Near Rhaiadr Gwy

865 Leland repeats "the wiche"

873 Llan Rhystud

874 Llan Gurig

Tyue<sup>875</sup> rennith from the hedde stil almost playne west ontille he touchith within a vi. miles of Cairmardin, and then turneth toward the northe.

Towe<sup>876</sup> risith a iii. myles by south from Llinntyue<sup>877</sup> in a morisch ground, and hath no llin at his hedd, and by estimation rennith a xxii. miles or he cum to Llanamdeuery. He first rennith sumwhat by south, and then a greate way bi west, and at the last turneth againe toward south.

So about the midle of this Wstwith<sup>878</sup> botom that I ridde<sup>879</sup> yn, being as I gesse a iiii.
miles in l[ength], I saw on the right hond on a hille side Clo[th]moyne, <sup>880</sup> wher hath bene great digging for leade, the melting wherof hath destroid the wooddes that sumtime grew plentifulli therabout. I hard a marvelus tale of a crow fedd by a digger there, that tooke away his fed[er's]<sup>881</sup> pursse, and wille the digger folowid the crow for his purs, the residew of his felows were oppressid in the pitte with a ruin.

So leving Ustwith botom, and taking up a hy hill I cam a mile of to a place wher I saw a greate grene place in a botom, owt of the wich morisch plot Ustwith doth rise, and withyn a flit shot of that I saw an other like plot, owt of the wich spring a litle riveret cumming to Wy that ranne a good mile beneth in a botom.

So passing over Wy, and stiyng up a hill I lokid bak and /125/vuyd Penllummon the hed of Wye. It semid to me a veri hy montaine, and was distant by gesse a vi. miles.

From Strateflere to this place I saw almost nother wood nor corne, but after the soile waxid stil pleasant, having fair medows, corne and wood.

So to Llan Kirik<sup>882</sup> apon Wy a good mile of, and ii miles by corne, wood and medows to Llan Ydlas <sup>883</sup> on Severn.

Montgomeryshire.

There is not ii. miles betwixt the streames of Wy and Severn.

Sum brokettes were bytwixt, but of smaulle name.

To Llan dynnan<sup>884</sup> iiii. miles of on Severn by good corne ground and medows with veri much plenti of woodde.

And like in the v. miles to Newton, wher at one side of the toune cummith a litle brooke ynto Severn.

And yn like forme the [vi] myles to Mont[gommrye]. Bytwixt Newton and Montgomery I saw [on the] lift hond apon [a] woodd hille top [the] waulles now ruinus of [Taluarran] <sup>885</sup> Castel.

<sup>875</sup> Teivi runs first of all south and then westward, and nowhere gets within xi. Miles of Carmarthen.

<sup>876</sup> Towy

<sup>877</sup> Llyn Teivi

<sup>878</sup> Ystwith

<sup>879</sup> Pointing hand symbol here

<sup>880</sup> C mwyn

<sup>881</sup> Stow has feder's; the edge of this leaf 80 is damaged, and this word and some others are imperfect

<sup>882</sup> Llan Gurig

<sup>883</sup> Llan Idlos

<sup>884</sup> Llan Dinam

<sup>885</sup> Dol Vorwyn

Going from Montgomerik to the Walsche Poole a v. myles of I passid over a forde of Severn. The soile betwixt thes to tounnes lakkith nother corne nor woode, but the grounde about the bankes and valley of Severn there is most pleasaunt.

The toune it self of the Walsch Pole is of one paroche wel buildid after the Walsch fascion. Gledding a riveret cummith almost by the chirch, and so to Severn that is a .... of.

Castel Cough, <sup>886</sup> in Englisch Redde Castel, standith on a rokke of darke, redde colorid stone. It hath ii. seperatid wardes, wherof the one was the Lord Duddeleys. Now both long to the Lord Powys.

By the castel is a faire palid park. Bituixt the tounne and Castel Cough is a preati llin or poole wherof the toun takith name.

From the Walsche Poole to Albertbyri<sup>887</sup>a vii. miles, hilly. The soile is wooddy, the valley corneful. By the hillis I passid over iii. or iiii. preaty brookis, whos names I know not.

And wille I passid this way within a iii. miles of Walsch Pole I saw a veri notable hille beyound the valley on the /126/lift hond having iii. toppes as iii. heddes rising owt of

one body. Thes toppes I first espied *a fronte* about Neuton a xiii. miles of, and after Shreusbiry and White Chirch passid, a xvi. miles of I saw them againe *a tergo*.

By this hille I roode by the lenght of a iii. miles, one of [the] toppes wherof being hyest is caulid Molegolua, <sup>888</sup> the wich is countid a *limes* of the farthest part of Powisland that way. The secunde is caullid Bridin, <sup>889</sup> being in Caurseland. The name of the third <sup>890</sup> I know not, but communely thei be caullid Brethin <sup>891</sup> Hilles.

Not far from thes hilles enterith Shropshir. So ther be limites of Pois, Caursland, and Shropshire.

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## APPENDIX A (see p. 61)

# GOWER LAND. 892

The olde castel of Swineseye was builded or [r]epairid by the Normans and destroid by Lluelen prince of Wales that maryed King Johns dowghter. And it stoode by the bisshop of S. Dauids castel that now is there.

A iii miles from Swinesey, communely cawillid in englisch Swansey, at the rode mowth of Tawe was a castel cawllid Est Wilthlunarde otherwise Ostermuth, <sup>893</sup> and of sum Mummess; <sup>894</sup> there remaine ruines of a castel destroied by prince Lluelin.

Swansey is a market town and chief place of Gower lande.

Moubray was lorde of Swansey and buildid the old castel, and be likelihod Ostermuth also for defence of the hauen.

Almost in the middes of Gowerland a v miles from Suansey is the castel of Guible<sup>895</sup> that longid to the Delamers.

Penrise<sup>896</sup> castel standith a iii miles from Swansey in the forest of Penrise.

Lochor castel standith on the hither side of Lochor <sup>897</sup> river in the lordship of Gower.

888 Moel y golva

889 Breidden

890 Keven v Castell

891 Leland corrected the first, but not the second use of this word, from Brithin to Bridin

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<sup>886</sup> Castell Coch 887 Alderbury (Shrops.)

<sup>892</sup> A leaf in Leland's hand, from his MS of *Collectanea*, vol. ii., p.107 (Hearne's edition of 1774, vol. iv.,

<sup>893</sup> Oystermouth

<sup>894</sup> Mumbles

<sup>895?</sup> Weobly Castle

<sup>896</sup> Penrice

<sup>897</sup> Llwchwr river and castle

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## APPENDIX B (see p. 90)

The following notes on Mona or Anglesey, which supply a want in the Itinerary, are from Leland's Collectanea, a folio MS. in the Bodleian Library, Top. Gen. c. 3, vol. iii. pp. 96, 97, 98 (printed by Hearne, De Rebus Britannicis Collectanea, second edition, London, 1774, vol. iv., pp. 85-90). The lists of places in both columns were first written out by a copyist, and afterwards were freely interlined and annotated by Leland; the pages are therefore not easy reading.

Leland's description, beginning in the middle of the Menai Straits, goes round the island, with excursions into the interior; parishes, chapels and towns are in the left-hand column; the right contains the places on or connected with sea or fresh water that are more or less near the places successively met with in the left column; they comprise ferries, havens, estuaries, islands and rocks, rivers, brooks, lakes and marshes or moors. There is no proof that Leland himself made the journey; but the Mr. Griffith referred to at the end (p.134) may be the "Mr. Rouland Griffith" mentioned before, p. 90, as giving him information.

Leland's explanatory notes on the margin of p.96 of the MS. are here put below the text, pp.129, 130. His interpretations (sometimes erroneous) of names, generally written over the respective words, are here printed between (). In several cases Leland puts a corrective letter over the spelling of the copyist, as m over v, th over dd, w over o, but as the copyist (probably a Welshman) was more often right, these super letters are here disregarded; they may be seen in Hearne's edition. The words written by the copyist are printed in italic, those by Leland in roman type. I hope thus to have made these notes clear, and in some instances to have corrected errors in Hearne's reading. Dr. J. G. Evans' identifications are along the foot of each page.

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#### /129/[PARISHES.]

p.96. Rent llan Vair v pull<sup>898</sup> Gwinghill<sup>899</sup> cum annex: Mair per se Maria sed al ias Vair pro Mair sonant.

Llan Dvsilio 900 (propriam nomen) is an islet at ful se conteining an acre or ij at the ebbe, sicco pede aditur.

Rent Llan 901 Edan 902 (Aidanus) cum annex:

Llan Deniel 903 (daniel) vab 904 (pro mab, paruus); erat ut ferunt discipulus Kibii, vel, ut quidamvolunt. Beunoi.

Llan Edwen<sup>905</sup> (propriam nomem). Llan Vair<sup>906</sup> yn y comot<sup>907</sup> i.e. quarta pars cantaredi. i.e., centuriae.

Rent Llan 908 Kainwen 909 (Caina pulchra) cum annex, a prebend of Clunnoc vaur.

Llan<sup>910</sup> Caffo <sup>911</sup>, discipulus Kibii.

Rent Llan Pedyr (Petrus) y Rosur 912 alias Nuburch. 913

Rent Llan 914 Dwyn 915 (S. Dunwen), libera

Rent Aberfraw<sup>916</sup> cum annex.

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Porthaethwy (Porth a fery) Menai, Pull Keris: 917 Periculosus vortex prope; Porthaethwi in Meney: it is a this side Portatho and ther was an old fery (i).

Porth Cadnant, Avon Cadnanta fresch broke

Aber Pwllfannog, Avon Fannog, 918 broke

Porth Bon (finis) y don 919 (thon, [=tonn] a waue (iv); Porth Amyl, 920 lytle ryll (v).

Porth Tal y voyl, 921 a fery of Meney to lond

at Cairarvon.

Aber Menai, fro hens ys the mayn see.

Aber y Pwll, yt is by Aber Avon, a broke (vi). Traeth Maltraeth, Porth bodeon, 922 Aber Fraw, Avon Fraw, 923 a broke (vii).

903 Leland adds 'mile or a ii fro Meney'

904 Llan Deiniol vab.

905 Leland adds 'By Meney'

906 Leland adds 'Not far fro Meney'

907 Llanvair v cwmmwd

908 Llan Geinwen

909 Leland adds 'A mile of fro Meney'

910 Llan Gaffo

911 Leland adds 'More than a myle fro Meney'

912 Leland adds 'A ij myle fro Abremeney'

913 Newborough

914 Llanddwyn

915 Leland adds 'Adjacent ripe'

916 Leland adds 'Almost by ye occean shoore'

917 Llanvair Pwll Gwyngyll

918 Avon Vanog

919 cf. Moel y Don Ferry

920 Porthaml

921Tal-v-voel

922 Modernized into Bodowen

923 Ffraw river

<sup>898</sup> Leland adds 'Pull, puteus'in his margin.

<sup>899</sup> Llanvair Pwll Gwyngyll.

<sup>900</sup> Leland adds 'By the Meney'

<sup>901</sup> Llanidan

<sup>902</sup> Leland adds 'By Meney'

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Capell: Mair 924 (Maria) o Dindryvol, ij myles fro ye shore by north (viii).

Rent Llan 925 Kydwaladr, 926 cum annex:

Llan Veirian (Mirianus) sacello; yt standeth bytwene Llan Cadwal. And the estuary of Maltraeth <sup>927</sup>

Rent Trefdraeth 928 (Oppidu super sabulum), cum annex: (Beunoo sacrum).

Llan Kwyven <sup>929</sup> (Proprium nomen), just by the occean.

Rent Llan Gristiolys<sup>930</sup> (Christolus Hoeli, ut ferunt, Armoricani filius, cum annex.

Llan Kainwen vehan. 931

Rent Hen eglwys 932 (vetus ecclesia) cum annex (ix).

Llan Morhayarn <sup>933</sup> (mare, ferrum).

Rent Llan Beulan (alias Pulan, proprium nomen), cum annex.

Llan chyllched <sup>934</sup> (proprium nomen). Llan vair yn Llanerchymedd; <sup>935</sup> (xi)

Llan Vaylog <sup>936</sup> (S. Maylog). Tale y Llyn (the ende of ye poole), capella.

Bettws  $y \ grog^{937}$  (latine sacellum crucis), y Gheirchiog (an otye place) alias dicitur.

924 Tal y llyn Chapel

925 Llan Gadwaladr

926 L. 'Abowte a ij myles fro the occean'

927 Malltraeth

928 L. 'Yt standeth by the inner part of Maltraeth'

929 Llan Gwyyen

930 L. 'A myle fro ye ynner part of Maltraeth, a good way within the isle.'

931 ? Cerrig-Ceinwen, near Llangristiolus

932 L. 'A iij [myle] fro ye shore almost by northwest'.

933 This refers to the church of Tre Walchmai which, Lewis says, is dedicated to St. Mordeyrn, while some MSS give Morhayarn

934 Llechylched

935 L.corrected this to Llanechthymedd L.T.S.

936 Llan Vaelog

937 Now Ceirchiog

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*Llyn Coran*, the greatest lake yn the ysle, and Fraus<sup>938</sup> cummyth owt of this poole.

Porth Gwyfen, Avon Kwyven. 939 (G.Keueny), a broke.

Porth y Llyswen (i.e. anguilla), Avon y Llyswen a ryll.

Towyn Trewen (town, white); Avon Trewen.

*Llyn Bodwino* (lacus Bodwrog), Corse Vodrog<sup>940</sup> the name of a moore by Bodwine.

Porth Traeth Krugyll (x)

*Llyn Pybai* is the next poole yn bygnes to Llyn Coran (xii).

938 Ffraw river

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939 Gwyven. Leland seems to have thought that this brook was called, like the river Cevni river, Gevinus or Keveny. But they have no connection.
940 Bodwrog

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Rent Llan Wenvaune 941 (proprium nomen) cum annex (xiv):

Llan Vihegel<sup>642</sup> (Michael) yn Ytraethe.

Llan Vair yn Daubwll<sup>943</sup> (quasi ac si diceres inter duos puteos); (xvi).

Rent Kaer Kybi<sup>944</sup> cum annex:

Bodwrog. Capel y Turre (torre).

Llan Drygarn (Trigarn); (xvii).

Bodedern.

Llan Sant Ffraid 945 (Brigida).

Llan Wyn 946 (Guin) Gene (keney, catulus). p.97. Rent Llan Vachraith 947 (S. Macharius) cum annex:

Llan Yghenedl<sup>48</sup> (proprium nomen).

Llan Vigail (Bigail, Vigil, communiter pastor).

Rent llan Vaithlu<sup>949</sup> (magna turba militum) cum annex:

Llan Vorog, 950 Og an harow.

Rent Llan Ruthlade <sup>951</sup> (tawny) cum annex: Llan Roydd Rys <sup>952</sup> (spedeful), Bettws (sacellum) perwas ( a swete servant).

Llan Flewyn; Llan Dogwel. 953

Rent Llan y Dausant <sup>954</sup> (i.e. duorum S.Marcelli et Marcellini).

941 Llan-wenvaen, alias Rhoscolyn

942 Llan Vihangel yn-howyn

943 Llanvair-vn-eubwll.

944 Kaer Kybi *i.e.* Holyhead. The ruins of the chapels of Lochwyd, St. Fraid, Gorllys, Gwyngeneu and Towyn are in this parish.

945 See note 923

946 See note 923

947 Llan Vachreth

948 Llanynghenedl

949 Llan Vaethlu

950 Llan Vwrog

30 Lian vwiog

951 Llan rhyddlad

952 Llan Rhwydrys

953 ? Llan Dygwel-groes

954 Llanddeusant

[HAVENS,ISLANDS,RIVERS,ETC.] *Traeth Kleiviog, Avon Kleviog* (xiii).

*Pont Trythwnt*; <sup>955</sup> this **(xv)** is the brigge that givith passage vnto the isle of the Holy hedde.

Porth (passage) Llan Sant Ffraid.

Porth y Turr; Avon y Turr, a ryl cummyng owt of a moore and ye torre by ye Holy hed.

Corse y Turr: Mynydd (mons) y Turr.

*Porth Kaer Gybi*; Oene Theodore was borne in the precinct of this place. Avon (faux) y Gaer (castle); this fresch broke cummeth yn to the haven of Holy hedde.

Aber Glaslyn (blew pool).

Aber Alaw (Alaunius); Avon Alaw cummyth owt of this moore Gorss-y-bol, a moore. This is the next river of the isle to Gevinus 956 yn bignes.

Porth Wen (white), Avon porth-wen. Porth Veline, a pretty brooke.

Porth Swttan, avon Suttan (a propre name of a giant), a litle rille (xviii).

Llyn (a poole) Bodronyn, Porth Caffnant (concava vallis forte Cavnant: Caffe, scapha, nant. vallis ubi rivulus labitur.

*Ynys* (insula) *yr Havodlyn* (the dayri poole); this isle is as a

<sup>955</sup> Trepont

<sup>956</sup> Cevni R[iver].

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Llan Vair v Kaer Nov 957

Llan Babo (proprium nomen).

Rent Llan Vechell (Machutus).

Rent Llan Padrig 958 (Patricius), ecclesia appropriata monasterio de Con[wev].

Rent Amylhovch 959 (frequens hogge).

Llan Vair yn llan Ciddog 960 (proprium nomen loci); (xxii).

Bettws v Nawsaint (novem sanctorum). 961 Llan Lliane. 962 monachorum plur.

Rent Llan y Trisaint 963 (thre saynctes). cum annex.

Llachenvarwv. 964

Bettws Machwdo (xxiii).965 Llan Llibio Bettws Rodygeidio (xxiv). 966

957 Llanvair-yng-hornwy

958 Llan Badrig

959 Amlwch

960 A corrupt form of Ll. Cadog, which is a chapel of ease (four miles south) of Amlwch. See Lewis, Top. Dictionary

961 There is a Bettws in Llan Badrig, not far from Porth Llanlliana.

962 The chapel of Llan Lleianeu, four miles west of Amlwch, and near Llan Badrig

963 Llantrisaint

964 Llech Cynvarwydd

965 Near Bod Edern

966 Alias Ceidio

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rokket harde by ye shore. Porth r Havodlyn: 967 Avon r Havodlyn (a brooke): (xix).

Y Gadair-y-Kaer Noy (cathedra gigantis Noe), Porth y Gadair.

Y Garn (rupes) y Kaer Nov. Tref Voysen (oppidum Moses); (xx). Moel Gaer nov.

Kraig Sydon (rupes navifraga), Kareg Cyne, the daunger of the rokkes yn the se strait against Cair Noe.

Ynys y Moel Roniaid 968 (Maxima insula Mona adjacens): this isle is not past ii myles fro Cair Noe (xxi).

Maen Bigail 669 (The stone of the shepard), a litle rokky isle.

Porth Kamlyn (croked poole); Kamlyn, avon Kamlyn.

Porth Ogor, Avon Ogor, sumtyme a wild brooke. *Ynys Padric* <sup>970</sup> (insula Patricii prope Ogor). Ynys Llygod (a mowse). Llygoden.

Porth Amylhwch. 971 avon Amylhwch (many swine).

Corse (a moore) y bol (a bely), the name of a moore.

971 Amlwch harbour

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Bodewryd. ecclesia appropriata monasterio. De Penmon.

Rent Llan Elian (Aelianus falso Hilarius)

Bettws Rosbeirio (Rosia heth).

Bettws y Coydane 972 (Wodde, proprium

Rent Llan Dyvrydog (S. Theridacus) cum

Llan Vihengel y Trefbardd<sup>973</sup> (Michael, in villa vatum).

Rent Llan Allgo cum annex: [xxv]

Llan Eigrad.

Llan Vihengel y Tinsiloy, alias Ymhenrhos; appropriat. Prestolme.

Rent Llan Dyffnan 975 cum annex:

Llan Vaystr 976 (magistri). Llan Vair yn Pentrath 977 cum alia Llan Vair  $Y mathafarn. ^{978}$ 

Rent Llan Vihengel vn Yskeiviog cum

Llan Finnan (Finnanus).

Rent Llan Dona<sup>979</sup> (Forte Donatus) cum annex:

Llan Saint y Katerin 980 appropriat. Prestolme.

p.98. Prioratus de Prestolme<sup>981</sup> alias de Penmon

Rent Llan Gwrda<sup>982</sup> cum annex:

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Porth Elian (nomen S.), alias Saint Hylarys bay, Avon Elian,

Porth Dulas, Aber Dulas, Traeth Dulas,

Avon Dulas (i.e niger ceruleus), Duglessus, a brooke. Corse y Nant, a moore.

Ynys Lligwy, Porth Lligwy, Avo[n], Lligwy, the name of a rille.

Porth Voelfre (Moilure, Moylydre, i.e tumulus villae) Avon Voelfre.

Ytrath Coch 983 (Redde), Porth Llongdu (Llong, a shippe). Avon nomine incognitur.

Corse Tygai (a moore, nomine oppidum); avon vawr (water, great) alias Avon Kefni. 96

Geuinus, 985 flu. Maximus totius insulae. and risith of iii litle stremes, and at Llan Geveney 986 yt runneth yn one botom, and so thorow Corse Tygay, and so thorow a marsch a ii mylis and then vn to the se, at a place cawled Maletraith.

Ynys Seiriol. 988 Porth Seiriol, alias Insula ecclesiastica.

<sup>967</sup> Porth yr havod-lyn

<sup>968</sup> The Skerries

<sup>969</sup> Maen Bugeil or 'West Mouse'

<sup>970</sup> Ynys Badrig or 'Middle Mouse'

<sup>972</sup> Coedana.

<sup>973</sup> Llan Vihangel Tre-r-beirdd.

<sup>974</sup> Leland has confused two churches here. The one is Ll. Vihangel Din Svlwv, and the other is [Ll.Vihangel] Penrhos Llugwy, which is also on the coast, considerably to the north.

<sup>975</sup> Llan Dvvnan.

<sup>976</sup> Equated with Llanbedr Goch in some Welsh MSS.

<sup>977</sup> Now Pentraeth: formerly it was called Ll. Betws Gereint, according to a Panton MS.

<sup>978</sup> Add Eithay. Leland wrote Ymothafru.

<sup>979</sup> Ll. Dona

<sup>980</sup> L1 Vaes

<sup>981</sup> Penmon on the main island.

<sup>982</sup> Llan Gawrdav, now Llangoed.

<sup>983</sup> Red Wharf bay.

<sup>984</sup> Cevni R. [L.T.S's footnote is wrongly numbered l, and should be i

<sup>985</sup> See note 963

<sup>986</sup> Llangefni

<sup>987</sup> Malltraeth

<sup>988</sup> Puffin Island or Priestholm.

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Llan Iestyn.

Rent Llan Tegvan <sup>989</sup> (Bellus locus) cum annex. This is a 2. Miles from Beumarisk vetus <sup>990</sup> and is the paroch chirch, for in Bewmarisch <sup>991</sup> is but a chapel of our lady.

Capell Myvgan <sup>992</sup> (Miganus hermita); (xxvii).

Capell mair or Duwmares. 993

Rent Llan Saturn (S. Saturnus aut Saturninus); (xxix).

Rent Llan Gradivel 994 (xxx).

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Traeth ar Llevain (xxvi).
The feri at Bumares. 995

Pen (hed) ryn (could), Savyn ast. 996

(The mowthe of ye byche). Here metyth the se of Penmone and Meney, and thes waters the wynd beyng hy rageth together (xxviii).

I have here but 30 hedde paroche chirchis. Mr Griffith<sup>997</sup> rekenith 31, and to reken the chapelles with them he countith a 100 chirchis.

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Menai, Malltrayth, Llivone, Talbollion, Torkelyn, <sup>998</sup> Tindaythoy.

There be very good mylle stones of white redde blew and grene girthes, especially yn Tyndaythoy commote (xxxi). There is good commoditie for fisching about al terre Mone, but there lakkith cunning and diligence.

## Additional Notes - Anglesey

**i.** Porthaethwy. Menai Bridge. The Daethwy are supposed to have been the local tribe in early times. Prof. Melville Richards [Atlas of Anglesey 1972 p.156], Prof. Bedwyr Lewis Jones ['Placenames: signposts to the past in Anglesey' in Transactions of the Anglesey Antiquarian Society 1991 p.28] and D. Simon Evans [A Mediaeval Prince of Wales - the life of Gruffudd ap Cynan, notes p.88], all identify the stronghold of Dindaethwy, 'fort of the Daethwy' associated with the early hero 'Cynan o gastell Dindaethwy' mentioned in Historia Gruffydd ap Cynan, with Dinas Cadnant hillfort [R.C.A.H.M. Anglesey Inventory 1937, 1962 p.52]

**ii.** Porth Cadnant, Avon Cadnant. The etymology of this river name is not completely clear. Gwilym T. Jones [Rivers of Anglesey p. 51] accepts Sir Ifor Williams's explanation of the meaning as implying 'a powerfully flowing torrent'. The Beaumaris schoolmaster William Williams, quoted in Appendix II of Fenton's Tours [Archaeologia Cambrensis Supplement 1917 p.298] stated circa 1669 that the name was not then particularly ancient, citing the earlier name Afon Lliftog. According to Jones [op. cit. p.52], the upper reaches of this river were formerly known as the Cefn Coch, a form apparently captured in Ogilby's road maps of 1674 as Kincough Brook. Mrs A. Benwell points to a reference in the 1352 Extent of Anglesey to Melin Cadnant in commote Dindaethwy [see Carr T. A. A. S. 1971-72 p. 226]. She considers that the etymology deriving Cadnant from Nant y gad = 'valley of the battle' may actually be correct, embody ing a memory of the battle fought near Porthaethwy in 1194 between Llewelyn ap Iorwerth and his uncle Rhodri ap Owain, in the dry valley leading up from the creek towards the Dinas [see note **i.** and A.D. Carr Medieval Anglesey p.46n]. The name would only later have been transferred to the river, explaining its relatively late date.

**iii.** Aber Pwllfannog, Avon Fannog. The full name is said to be Aber y Pwll y Ffanogl in Archaeologia Cambrensis vol.1 1846 pp.128-9. No scholarly etymology seems readily available. Two possibilities, viz. ffanugl < \*ffannugl = 'prosperity, success' in William Lleyn's dictionary of c.1575 and ffannugl, fenigl, ffanigl = 'fennel, a plant growing on sloping land' which have been suggested, do not appear to lead to very plausible etymologies [see Geiriadur Prifysgol pp.1277, 1283]. Gwilym T. Jones [Rivers of Anglesey pp.49-50] considers that the pwll referred to may not be the estuary itself but the adjacent deep pool shown further out in the Menai strait proper [see Admiralty chart 1464].

**iv.** *Porth Bon y Don.* Now *Moel y Don.* Originally *Bon y Dom,* 'stump of the mound'; in the 18th century it was commonly called *Bol y Don.* According to the medieval *Historia Gruffydd ap Cynan* [D.S.Evans *op. cit.*] Gruffydd's grandfather, the Viking leader Olaf of Dublin, built an earthwork castle in this general area during the first half of the 11<sup>th</sup> century, which A. H. A. Hogg ['King Olaf's Castle?' in *Arch. Camb.* vol. cxi 1962 pp. 56–8] suggested could be identified with the reused prehistoric earthwork of *Castell Bryngwyn* [R.C.A.H.M. *Anglesey Inventory* 1937, 1962 p.105] though this is not universally accepted.

v. Porth Amyl. Porthaml. The earliest reference is to Porthamal in the Anglesey Extent of March 1294 [Seebohm Tribal System in Wales Appendix A pp.17-20; see also Bulletin of the Board of Celtic Studies (B. B. C. S) vol. 9 pt. 1 1937 p. 51]. The name also belongs to a large house and

989 Llan Degvan

990 Beaumaris.

991 See note 2

992 Compare Wigan, between Pentraeth and Llan Ffinan.

993 Beaumaris.

994 Now Penmynydd

<sup>995</sup> Beaumaris

<sup>996</sup> Savn yr ast is the correct form.

<sup>997</sup> See Leland's p.90

<sup>998</sup> Llivon, Tal y bolion, Twrkelyn.

estate in Breconshire where it is taken to mean 'large gateway', a reference to the imposing gatehouse leading to the manor. It occurs also at Nantmel in Radnorshire. In Anglesey, however, aml is thought to be the Irish proper name Amal [R. Morgan and R. F. P. Powell A Study of Breconshire Place-names Gwasg Carreg Gwalch 1999 p.132]. Whether the equivalent of amal forms an element in early forms of the name Olaf viz. Afallach, Aballach, etc is not discussed by these authors (cf. note iv.). Mrs Benwell notes the cognate early Irish forms Amlaib and Amlaeibh and that Olaf[r] is referred to as Avloed in the Historia Gruffydd ap Cynan pp. 86-7.

**vi.** Aber y Pwll, Aber Avon. The position of this reference in Leland's list makes it likely that it is to the estuary of the river Braint, or Traeth Melynog. The Dwyran area was formerly known as Aberbraint [T. Pritchard Hanes ac ystyr enwau lleoedd Mon p.40]. The relatively nearby Pwll y Hwyaid and Llyn Gors ddu are nevertheless both considered too distant to be the 'pwll' in question [see O.S. Anglesey map 1<sup>st</sup> ed. 1841, eg. in David and Charles Reprint Sheet 24 1980]. Gwilym T. Jones [Rivers of Anglesey p.50] can only tentatively identify it with Llyn Felin Wen or the confluence of the Braint with Afon Rhyd y Valley, referred to by Gresham ['Aberconwy Charter' in Arch. Camb. 1939 p.140] as Pwll yr Wyran.

vii. Aber Fraw, Avon Fraw 'Estuary of the river Ffraw'. Aberffraw was the administrative centre of the Cantref of that name in the independent Kingdom of Gwynedd up to 1282. Melville Richards suggested that -ffrawis derived from Ffrawf, denoting the stream's strong 'flow' [G. T. Jones and T. Roberts The placenames of Anglesey Ynys Mon B. C. and University of W ales Bangor 1996 p.121]. According to Sir Ifor Williams [Canu Llywarch Hen 1953 p.83] the name is cognate with that of the river Frome in Dorset.

**viii.** Capell Mair o Dindryvol. J.Gwenogfryn Evans is wrong in his identification with Talyllyn. The exact site of this lost chapel of ease to Aberffraw was established by Tomos Roberts in 1976 ['Safle'r Capel Mair o Ddindryfwl' in *Transactions of the Anglesey Antiquarian Society (T. A. A. S)* 1976-77] by reference to Bodorgan Estate maps produced circa 1724-27 by Lewis Morris. He quotes a 6-figure grid reference 23/397729.

ix. Hen eglwys cum annex. Heneglwys is sometimes taken to mean 'former church' rather than 'old church', thus signifying the existence of a previous foundation on this site. It may also have been the site referred to formerly both as Mynwent Corbre ('burial-place of Corbre [an Irish proper name]') and Llan y Saint Llwydion ('Church of the Blessed Saints'). Mrs Benwell considers that the saints in question are likely to be the Faustinius and Bacellinus referred to in the 1352 Extent of Anglesey; see A. D. Carr T. A. A.S. 1971- 72 p.159. The annex referred to is probably the chapel of ease to Heneglwys at Trewalchmai [Canon A. W. Wade-Evans 'Parochiale Wallicanum' in Y Cymmrodor xxii 1910, reprinted J. H. Alden 1911 p.71].

**x.** Porth Traeth Krugyll. It has been suggested that the river name Crugyll is derived from a diminutive form of crug = 'mound, cairn' as there were formerly several such cairns, presumably prehistoric burial chambers, near this estuary. The earliest list of such monuments in Anglesey, that produced by David Thomas and published in the Cambrian Register for 1796, mentions 'three small cromlechs at Crigyll'. A prominent spread of boulders at adjacent Pentre Traeth is not now considered to be a ruined cairn, but a natural feature or possibly a field clearance dump.

xi . Llan vair yn Llanerchymedd. 'Llannerch y medd' is usually taken to mean 'the glade of the mead-brewers' and to indicate that bee-keeping for honey was a local activity in early times. The name Llanfair alone appears as the name of the church in the Norwich Taxation of 1254. Mrs Benwell, however, considers that -medd is actually derived from bedd = 'grave' with the consequent obvious meaning 'clearing of the grave'. The substitution of m- for b- is seen in words such as meddrod < beddrod, menthyg < benthyg and maban < baban. The very small size of the ancient parish is unusual and its origins are obscure. Mrs Benwell considers it possible they may involve a lost chantry chapel comparable with Eglwys y bedd at Holyhead or the earliest buildings at Llaneilian and Clynnog Fawr. An early verse triban [see e.g. Cymru vol. v 1893 p.254 ]associates the village with the burial of 'brenin Pabo and a fair queen':-

'Yn Llannerch Medd ym Mondo Y claddwyd brenin Pabo; A'r frenhines deg ei gwedd, Yn Llannerch Medd mae honno.'

**xii.** *Llyn Pybai.* From Leland's description and its position in the lists, this must be one of the Traffwll complex of lakes, now known individually as Llyn Dinam, Llyn Penrhyn and Llyn Trafwll. As these lakes are likely to have altered in extent since the C16th it is not clear which is implied. R. J. Thomas [*Enwau Afonydd a Nentydd Cymru* Caerdydd 1938 p.22] notes the masc. proper mame *Pabai*, which may be related.

**xiii.** *Traeth Kleiviog, Avon Kleiviog.* Cleifiog sands were, from 1776 on, reclaimed from the sea by an embankment built at Tyddyn Cob. The name Cleifiog, applied to three separate farms in the area, may be derived from *calaf, celyf* = 'reeds' + -*iog* = 'abounding in' [see Rev. R.O. Roberts 'The Mills of Anglesey' in *T. A. A. S.* 1958 p.1]. The river mentioned by Leland is now known as the *Afon Cruglas.* G. T. Jones [op. cit. p. 77-8] notes that it was formerly known as *Afon Llama*.

**xiv.** *Llan Wenwaune cum annex*. Rhoscolyn church, dedicated to St. Gwenfaen, a C6th female saint. Her 'holy well' *Ffynnon Gwenfaen* stands nearby. The *annex* refers to chapels of ease at Llanfair yn Neubwll and at Llanfihangel yn Nhywyn [Wade-Evans *ibid* p.91]

xv. Pont Trythwnt. Pont Rhyd y bont (but called Four Mile Bridge in English), literally 'bridge at the ford by the [earlier] bridge.' The Lasinwen strait between Holy Island and the main island of Anglesey is at its narrowest here and the ford must have existed from the earliest times. The ford continued in use after the first bridge was built, giving rising to the 'rhyd-y-bont' combination. The English name is derived from the placing of the fourth milestone on the road from Holyhead adjacent to the bridge [G. T. Jones and T.Roberts op. cit. p.128].

xvi. Llan Vair yn Daubwll. Now Llanfair yn Neubwll 'Church of St. Mary by the two pools'. According to G. T. Jones and T. Roberts [op. cit. p. 107], Deubwll denotes a medieval township adjacent to lakes Dinam and Penrhyn. Mrs Benwell points to the fact that Dinam and Penrhyn are almost entirely in the adjacent township of Llanfihangel yn Nhywyn and that Deubwll was considered a hamlet of the township of Conysiog in the 1352 Extent. Consistent with this view, the two pools were more likely to have been the inlets of the inland sea at Cruglas and Llyn Felin Wen, with the church at Llanfair lying between them.

**xvii.** Llan Drygarn. There is little likelihood that any such saint as Trygarn ever existed. Instead the second element is very probably try = 'great, large' + garn = 'cairn'. A large prehistoric burial cairn or *carnedd* is supposed to have once stood nearby.

**xviii.** *Porth Swttan, avon Suttan.* Now *Porth Swtan* (but called Church Bay in English after the prominent steeple of nearby Llanrhuddlad church). Welsh *swtan* = 'whiting, a type of flatfish' [Bedwyr Lewis Jones 'Porth Swtan' in *T. A. A. S* 1988 p.175]. Former attempts to relate this element to Suetonius Paulinus, the Roman Governor who first invaded Anglesey in AD 60-61 are spurious.

**xix.** Porth r Havodlyn, Avon r Havodlyn. The first syllable of the final component of this name has long since been dropped. In current usage the place is referred to as Porth Fydlyn. Lewis Morris [Cambria's Coasting Pilot 1739-43] has Porth yr Havyd Lyn. It seems likely that the lyn = 'lake' element refers to the now silted up area behind the inshore island of Ynys Fydlyn. The havyd element may simply be a form of hafod = 'summer dwelling', i.e. low-lying marshy pasture only grazed in the summer. However, it is not impossible that it is related to \*havyn > hafn = 'estuary, haven, harbour' [see  $Geiriadur\ Prifysgol\ p.1809$ ].

xx. Tref Voysen. The exact location of this place has not yet been established. The name occurs as the residence of one Margery, daughter of Rowland ap Hugh, in Llanfairynghornwy in the C17<sup>th</sup> [J. E. Griffith 1914 Pedigrees of Anglesey and Caernarvonshire Families p.5 'Penhesgin, Llanfaethlu'] and also in a rental of the Lligwy estate [U.W.B. Lligwy MSS 986, 987 ★ewis Hughes mason, for 21 yds work at Pen-y-graig in Tre Voysen']. I am indebted to Parch. Dr. D. Wyn Wiliam for pointing out these references to me. From its occurrence as a porth in Leland's list, a candidate in Talybolion might seem to be Porth Trefadog in Llanfaethlu parish. Prof. A..D. Carr [Medieval Anglesey Anglesey Antiquarian Society 1982 p.25n] associates this porth with the township of Tref Ednyfed andDr Thomas Phaer's 'Report on his perambulation around the coast of Wales', from the second half of the C16th [Bulletin of the Board of Celtic Studies vol. xxiv pt. 4 1972 p.501] mentions that 'from Holyhead 7 miles, in another baye, is a small creke called Tredenefet'. However, from Lewis Morris's 'Catalogue of the bods, trevs and caers in Anglesey' [B.M. Addl MS. 14935 in Hugh Owen 1951 The Life and Works of Lewis Morris pp.85-86], it would appear that Trefoesen is a different place from either Trefadog or Tref Ednyfed. Can it be Henborth, Llanrhwydrys ?

**xxi.** Ynys y Moel Roniad. Literally 'the Island of Seals', or Skerries Islands. There must have been subtle distinctions drawn between different species, for moel = 'smooth, hairless, rounded and rhôn = 'seal' alone. Moelrhon is nowadays taken to include porpoises and dolphins. The Historia Gruffydd ap Cynan refers to the Skerries as Enys Adron [D. Simon Evans op. cit. notes p.104].

**xxii**. Llan Vair yn llan Ciddog. Probably a mistake for Llaneuddog. On the first edition 6-inch O.S. map of Anglesey Capel Euddog is marked as standing about 400 feet from the site of Llaneadog and some quarter of mile from Llaneuddog, both to the north [Wade-Evans *ibid* p.73]

**xxiii.** Bettws Machwdo An example of a former betws = 'beadhouse' placename in Anglesey, now rare. There were formerly at least two prayer-houses called Betws Machwdw (or Mwchwdw) in Anglesey. According to G. T. Jones and Tomos Roberts [The placenames of Anglesey p.111] one

was near Llanfechell. A *Bettws Bwchwdo* is marked on the 1<sup>st</sup> Ed. O.S. map in Gothic script at grid ref. 435887 south of Mynydd Parys. Later editions show *Pen y Fynwent*. According to Neil Baynes ['The Old Monasteries, and Chapels of Anglesey' in *T. A. A. S.* 1920] a *Capel Machwda* stood 1 mile south of Llantrisant Church. St. Machutus is known in Welsh as *Mechell*.

xxiv. Bettws Rodygeidio. Another example of a former betws = 'beadhouse' placename in Anglesey. Now Rhodogeidio, formerly Rhodwydd Geidio; literally 'Ceidio's round earthwork / mound / enclosure', Ceidio being the proper name of an early Celtic saint. [G]wydd may also imply 'burial mound' as in Wyddgrug (Mold) and Wyddfa (Snowdon) By association with rhyd = 'ford', rhodwydd has acquired the modern meaning 'earthwork defending a ford', which is inappropriate here. The church is now abandoned. Both the mound on which the church stands and the circular churchyard in which it stands may be the source of the name. It has been suggested that the rhodelement is cognate with Ir. rath.

**xxv.** Rent Llan Allgo cum annex: The annexe is likely to refer to the C12th Hen Capel Lligwy in Llaneugrad parish [see Wade-Evans op. cit. p.94]. However, both Llanallgo and Hen Capel Lligwy are shown there as chapels of ease to Llaneugradand this is confirmed by Henry Rowlands [Mona Antiqua 1st. Ed. 1723 p.366].

**xxvi.** Traeth ar Llevain. The Lafan sands. The true etymology is still quite obscure. Around the mid C18th Lewis Morris refers to 'traeth oerlefain' [Hugh Owen Life and Works of Lewis Morris Anglesey Antiquarian Society 1951 p. 147]. Sir Ifor Williams was at one time inclined to see a link with lafwr, lawr the edible seaweed but later rejected this after le noted a reference [University of Wales Bangor Penrhyn MSS Nos. 239 – 41] to the form \*Efelafen > y felafen in documents dealing with a dispute over a fish weir in Llanllechid parish. This form is also noted by H. R. Davies [Conwy and Menai Ferries p. 108, 122, 123] as a name for the Beaumaris ferry. The popular folk etymology in terms of wylofain = 'wailing, lamentation' [said to be over the loss of the legendary kingdom of Helig ap Glanawg which, old tradition had it, was submerged by the waters of Conwy Bay in the 6<sup>th</sup> century AD] has been rejected by all scholars since Egerton Phillimore. The possibility of a link with llawn, gorllawn = 'overflowing' has apparently not been discussed.

xxvii. Capell Myvgan. Capel Meugan. This chapel of ease to Llandegfan formerly stood near Beaumaris castle, possibly in the stream-valley of Nant Meigan, where remains of a water-mill still exist. Browne Willis Bangor Cathedral 1722 described the chapel as being in ruins in his time. In 1833 Samuel Lewis commented [Topographical Dictionary of Wales] that no vestiges remained visible.

**xxviii.** Penryn Savyn ast ('headland of the bitch's mouth'). Now known as Gallows Point, Beaumaris. In early sources it is commonly referred to by the name Osmund's Air, originally from Old Norse Asmundr (a proper name) + eyrr ('a gravel spit near the sea'). The element eyrr is also seen at Point of Ayr, Flintshire and reflects Viking influence on Welsh placenames [Bedwyr L. Jones and Tomos Roberts 'Osmund's Air: a Scandinavian placename in Anglesey' in Bulletin of the Board of Celtic Studies vol. xxviii pt. 4 1980].

xxix. Llan Saturn. Now Llansadwrn. An early 6<sup>th</sup> century Christian inscribed stone of Nash-Williams type 1 was found by sextons digging a grave in the churchyard. This definitely occurred

before 1742 as Lewis Morris [NLW Addl. MS 168c and Hugh Owen Life and works of L.M. Anglesev Antiquarian Society 1951 p.200] mentions 'an inscription on a stone in Llansadwrn Church'. The stone was probably discovered some time in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. It is now in the north wall of the chancel [RCAHM Anglesey Inventory 1937,1962 p.cix]. The inscription is judged to read 'hic beatus sacerdos saturninus se[pulcro]/iacit et sua sa[ncta]/coniux pa[x vobiscum]'. Standard hagiographies have St. Saturnus [Welsh Sadwrn Farchog, 'knightly Sadwrn'], a brother of St. Illtud, coming to Anglesey as a companion of St. Cadfan. Sir Ifor Williams was satisfied that Saturninus was a diminutive or hypochoristic form of Saturnus [RCAHM ibid p. cxv] but others have argued that he was a different individual, possibly a close follower of the saint.

xxx. Llan Gradivel. Penmynydd. The church is dedicated to St. Credifael or Gredifael.

xxxi. The Carboniferous sandstone and millstone grit formations of Anglesev were always considered a prime source for millstones, especially from he quarries near Penmon, as well as those at Ynys, Llyn Cadarn, Fedw Fawr, Aber v Pwll and also around Moe lfre. Ownership of all these various quarries originally rested with the native princes of Gwynedd and hence, after 1282, by right of conquest, with the English Crown who granted extraction rights to local landowners by letters patent. Many disputes arose over priority to these rights, as for example in 1609 and 1614 when Sir Richard Bulkeley of Hen Blas, Beaumaris, was accused by Sir William Maurice of Clenennau of taking 200 millstones from Fedw Fawr, to which he had no right, Sir William being entitled by letters patent of Elizabeth f dated 14th June 1592 [B. G. Owen 'Brogyntyn Mill Records' in National Library of Wales Journal vol. 9 1955 - 56 pp. 383 - 384; see also E. Greenly Geology of Anglesey H.M. S.O 1919 p. 860].

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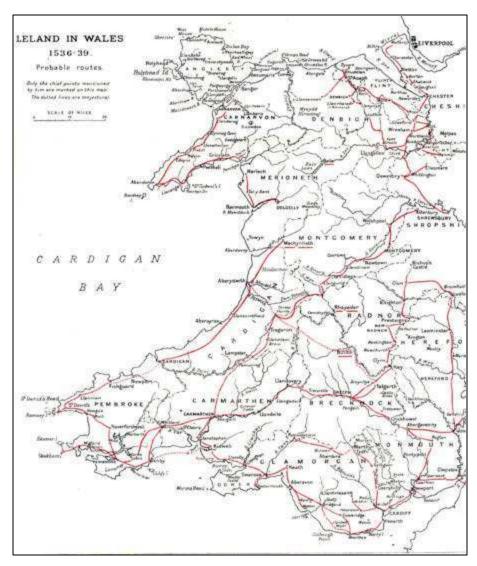
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