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Arncliffe is a village in North Yorkshire, situated about fifteen miles north of Skipton, in the remote area of Littondale. The ecclesiastical parish of Arncliffe comprised several villages in Littondale in addition to Arncliffe itself, namely Halton Gill, Hawkswick, Litton as well as some others in neighbouring Wharfedale, namely Buckden, Hubberholme and Yockenthwaite. High hills separate the two dales, and access was not always easy in winter. In addition to the main church at Arncliffe, there were also chapels at Halton Gill and Hubberholme, although the former was of little consequence before a major rebuilding in 1848.

The advowson of Arncliffe was in the gift of the Percy family, the Earls of Northumberland, until Henry Percy, second Earl of Northumberland (1394–1455), gave it to University College in 1443. He also arranged for the appropriation of the rectory (and with it the right to collect the rector's tithes) to pass to University College, in return for their appointing a vicar to the parish. The reason for Percy's generosity is not known: Antony Wood suggested that the university had suggested he benefit a College which, as well as being the oldest in Oxford, also had strong north-eastern links (see W. Carr, *University College*, p. 62), but that may be mere guesswork. Percy certainly expected the north-east to benefit from his gift: as set out in **UC:E4/2D/1** below, the money from the tithes was to finance three Bachelors or Masters planning to read theology from the dioceses of Durham, Carlisle or York, with special preference to be given to candidates from Northumberland.

Percy's son, Henry the third Earl (1421–1461), left University College in enjoyment of its privilege, but his grandson, Henry the fourth earl (1446–1489), gave the College some trouble in the 1470s, forcing them to give an annuity to his chaplain Halton in return for his not imposing Halton as vicar of Arncliffe (see **UC:E4/2L** below). After this date, the College's right to the advowson and the rectorial tithes was not disputed again.

Although the advowson and rectory of Arncliffe was given to the College in 1443, the College did not receive anything until the death of the existing Rector, Thomas Newton, in 1451, after which the College was able to appoint a vicar of its choice and start to collect the rectorial tithes. Rather than collect the tithes directly, the College chose to lease this right out to farmers, in return for a fixed annual rent. Usually in the fifteenth century at least, the College rented the tithes to syndicate of farmers, which usually included the vicar. In the following centuries, however, the farmer of the tithes was separate from the vicar, which sometimes led to difficulties. From 1766 until 1821 the right to collect tithes was again leased to the vicar of the parish; after the lease of 1821 fell in, the College employed a land agent to collect their tithes, and no further leases were issued.

A list of the vicars of Arncliffe from 1394 is given in an Appendix to this catalogue. It is striking that no Fellows of University College were appointed here until John Lethum in 1506. Even after that date, vicars were not always former Fellows—or indeed former students—of University College. It is possible that the remoteness of the parish did not make it so attractive a prospect; certainly several vicars were non-resident, leaving curates to administer the parish for them.



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In 1888, University College sold the advowson rights of Arncliffe to the curate of Halton Gill, William Shuffrey, who duly succeeded to Arncliffe in 1893. The College, however, retained its rights as rector, and also ceased to top up the vicar's stipend with money from its Linton-on-Ouse estate, as it been accustomed to do (College Register, meeting of 20 Mar 1888). This was unfortunate for Shuffrey: on the other hand the College could argue that it no longer owned the advowson, and in any case it was experiencing considerable financial difficulties in the 1880s because of the agricultural depression.

Few, if any, links now remain between University College and Arncliffe. However the arms of University College can be seen in the east window of the church there.

As stated above, the village of Hubberholme, in the neighbouring dale to Arncliffe, had a chapel of ease of its own. Sometimes this was administered by a separate curate; at other times (as, for example, the late 17th and early 18th centuries, under the tenure of Miles Tennant) the vicar attempted to perform services at both churches. In the later 19th century, Hubberholme increasingly became more independent from Arncliffe, and was turned, to all intents and purposes, into a separate parish. University College had fewer links with Hubberholme, but did sometimes give money from its tithes towards the support of a curate, and, in 1862, gave the church its old communion table, which is still in a side chapel there.

The papers relating to Arncliffe (and also to Hubberholme) include deeds relating to the gift of the property, leases, legal papers (mainly relating to disputes over tithes), and correspondence and accounts. They were all found in the archives during the stocktaking of July 1993.

All letters are written on one sheet of paper unless otherwise indicated.

The collection has been divided into the following sections:

UC:E4/1D: Documents relating to the Rectory before 1443

UC:E4/2D: Documents relating to the grant of the Rectory, 1443–1453

UC:E4/3D: Leases of the Rectory, and related papers,1452–1895

UC:E4/1L: Papers relating to the Will of Thomas Newton, 1451–1455

UC:E4/2L: Papers relating to a dispute between University College and Henry Percy, Fourth Earl of Northumberland, 1473–1495

UC:E4/3L: Other legal documents, 16th century

UC:E4/4L: Papers relating to the Enclosure of parts of Arncliffe, 1766–1768

UC:E4/1C: 17th century correspondence relating to Arncliffe, 1613–1703/4

UC:E4/2C: The College's correspondence with George Croft (Vicar 1779–1809), and related papers

UC:E4/3C: The College's correspondence with Eardley Norton (Vicar 1809–1835), and

related papers

UC:E4/4C: Eardley Norton's correspondence with the College



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UC:E4/5C: The College's correspondence with William Boyd (Vicar 1835–1893)

UC:E4/6C: Miscellaneous 19th century correspondence, 1835–188

UC:E4/7C: Correspondence on the sale of the advowson of Arncliffe, 1893–1895 **UC:E4/8C**: Later correspondence on Arncliffe and Hubberholme, 1891–1934

UC:E4/9C: 18th-century letter given by Rev. W. A. Shuffrey

UC:E4/1M: Map, c.1800

UC:E4/1F: Books of Tithe Accounts, 1832-1838

UC:E4/2F: 19th century accounts from Arncliffe, 1836–1891

Appendix: Vicars of Arncliffe from 1394

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NOTE ON WILLIAM SMITH'S TRANSCRIPTS

In the early eighteenth century, William Smith, a Fellow of University College, transcribed and calendared all the documents then in the College's archives into eleven manuscript volumes. As will be seen, they form an important supplement to the surviving papers. Smith begins his notes on the Arncliffe papers with extracts from other related documents in other repositories (UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 170–171). These comprise:

- (1) An extract from the manuscript of Roger Dodesworth in the Bodleian Library called *Monasticon Boreale* (page no. not given), containing a declaration from Reyner of Knol, Kt., that John, Prior of Boulton he has in his possession certain documents, by which he enfeoffed Henry de Percy of the Advowson of Arncliffe and of the lordship of the town in return for a payment of 40 marks. Percy has now paid that money, and Reyner now agrees that the prior can hand over the title deeds. Dated Wednesday after the Purification of the BVM 1 Edw II (7 Feb 1307/8).
- (2) A note that two early rectors are named as William de Newport (fl. 1352) and John Newport (d. 1451).
- (3) A note that under Edward I the church was assessed for taxation of 50 marks; under Edward II in1318, it was assessed for 40 marks.



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(4) Smith notes presentations made to the living by members of the Percy family on 25 Mar 1345, 11 Jun 1349, 1353 and 16 Jan 1394.

Smith opens his list of the Arncliffe deeds with a note that his transcript was completed on 29 March 1705, although done in some haste. He also notes that some documents were transcribed by Hugh Todd, but not very well.



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UC:E4/1D/1 14th cent.?

Undated copy of documents relating to disputes between Fountains Abbey and the Rector of Arncliffe relating to the Abbey's claim to exemption from certain tithes. This documents quote a Memorandum of Agreement between John, Abbot of Fountains Abbey, and Roger, Rector of Arneclyff, which is dated the Morrow of St. Matthias the Apostle [24 Feb] 1230. This records that, following an agreement made in the presence of Walter de Gray, Archbishop of York, the Abbey agrees to pay Roger an annual rent of 20s in return for being released from payment of tithes on their property in Arncliffe. The witnesses are named as Master Roger, Dean and Chaplain of York, S[tephen?] of Sallay, R. de Kerkestall, R de Rupe, Abbot and unnamed others.

The last part of the document has been heavily galled.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 1 no. 1]

UC:E4/1D/2

15th cent copy of documents of 1 Mar 1314

Copy of Memorandum of Agreement between Adam Middelton, Rector of Arncliffe, and the Abbot and convent of Fountains Abbey of the Cistercian order concerning a dispute over tithes on lands in Lyttondale and elsewhere within the parish of Arncliffe. This quotes extensively (but not wholly accurately) from **1D/1** above. LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 1 no. 2]

UC:E4/1D/3

All Saints Day (1 Nov) 1441

Lease for 5 Years

PARTIES:

1. William Abbot of Salley and the convent of the same.

2. Thomas Newton, Rector of Arncliffe.

PROPERTY: The Rectory of Arncliffe (leased by 2 to 1).

RENT: £23 a year.

COMMENTS: The bottom part of the deed, with the slit for a seal is lost, as is the seal itself. If the document were not indented, it could

be a copy.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 1 no. 3]

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UC:E4/2D/1 14 Jul 1443

Deed of Gift

PARTIES:

1 Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland.

2. The Master and Scholars of the Universite College in Oxford. PROPERTY: 3 acres of land (a parcel of the manor of Arnneclyffe, Yorks.), which adjoin the cemetery of the parish church of Arnneclyffe, and the advowson of the church there. COMMENTS: 1 gives 2 the above land, having obtained royal licence for this. In return, 2 are to elect 3 Bachelors or Masters from the dioceses of Durham, Carlisle or York likely to do well in theology. If all else is equal, special preference is to be given to candidates from Northumberland. They are to receive the same allowances as other Fellows. In return 2 are to say a mass in their chapel every Trinity Sunday for the good state of King Henry VI, as well as 1, 1's wife and children, during their lifetimes, and after their deaths, for 1's heirs and their families. On this feast the Master and scholars will receive one noble, and ten shillings, to hold a gaudy on this day. 2 are also to observe the anniversary of 1's death with a requiem mass for Henry VI, and 1, 1's parents, wife, children and heirs. On this day 2 will receive another noble. The Chancellor of the University with the proctors and Doctors in Theology will see that these rules are enforced.

This deed is in fine condition, as is its seal (that of 1). The deed also bears 1's signature "Harry Eerle of Northumberland ye seconde". These statutes have been published and translated in R. H. Darwall-Smith, Early Records of University College (OHS n.s. xlvi 2015), pp. 28-33.

WITNESSES: Henry Percy and Thomas Percy, Knights and sons of 1, John Lematon and Thomas Haydok.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 1]

16 Jul 21 Hen VI (1443)

UC:E4/2D/2 Letter of Attorney

PARTIES:

- 1. Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland.
- 2. a) John Broughton, Steward of 1's manor of Arnneclyffe, Yorks.
 - b) William Spence, clerk, Receiver of the same manor.

COMMENTS: 1 appoints 2 his attorneys to deliver seisin of 3 acres of land from the manor lying next to the cemetery of the church of Arnneclyffe, with the advowson of the church to the Master and Scholars of the Universyte College, Oxford, as granted by 1.

The deed is in fair condition, following repair, with some loss of text.

The seal is missing.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 2a]

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UC:E4/2D/3 [.] Oct 22 Hen VI (1443)

Letter of Attorney

PARTIES: The same as in **2D/2** above.

COMMENTS: As in **2D/2** above, 1 appoints 2 his attorneys to deliver seisin of the above property. It is unclear why two such letters were needed.

The deed is in fair condition, following repair. The seal is lost.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 2b]

UC:E4/2D/4

23 Feb 22 Hen VI (1443/4)

Grant

PARTIES: Both as in 2D/1 above.

PROPERTY: As in **2D/1** above, save that the 3 acres are described in more detail, namely that they lie in Deregillgrene and contain 8 perches at the head and foot in width and 8 perches in length, and that they immediately abut on Calegarthdykewall.

COMMENTS: 1 gives 2 the above properties on the same conditions set out in **2D/1** above. It is not clear why this deed was drawn up in addition to **2D/1**.

The deed has been stained, and a few small holes have removed some text. The deed bears 1's seal; the details in the centre of this copy are better than that in **2D/1** above, but the outer edges are missing.

WITNESSES: All as in 2D/1 above.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 3]

UC:E4/2D/5

Last day of February 22 Hen VI (29 Feb 1443/4)

Quitclaim

PARTIES:

1. Thomas Stokdale.

2. The Master and Fellows of University College, Oxford.

PROPERTY: As in 2D/4 above.

COMMENTS: 1 quitclaims his rights on the above property to 2.

The deed has some holes in it, but the surviving text is clear enough.

Unfortunately Smith did not transcribe this deed. The seal

(Stokdale's?) is in good condition.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 4]

UC:E4/2D/6 3 Mar 1443/4

Licence of Appropriation

PARTIES:

1. John Kempe, Archbishop of York.

2. The Master and Fellows of University College, Oxford. COMMENTS: 1 agrees to the appropriation to 2 of the parish of Arncliffe, as proposed by the Earl of Northumberland, on the death or departure of Thomas Newton, current rector of Arncliff. In return 2 are to pay 26s 8d a year to 1 and his successors, and to instal a vicar



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there, who will live in the parish, and give 2 one barn and 20 marks (£13 6s 8d) a year. 2 are also to pay out 10s a year among the poor of Arncliffe at Lent.

Given at Bishopsthorpe.

The top-right hand corner of the document is badly stained, and much of the text illegible, but the rest of the document is in fair condition. About two-thirds of 1's seal is preserved.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 5]

UC:E4/2D/7 12 Mar 1443/4

Confirmation of **2D**/**6** above by the Dean and Chapter of York. Although the document lacks a seal, the text is in better condition. LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 6]

UC:E4/2D/8 n.d. (c.1443?)

Petition from Harry, Earl of Northumberland, to the House of Commons in Parliament, asking that they ratify his gift to "the maister and scolers otherwise ye Elder felowe and cofelowes of ye college of ye grete halle of ye universite in Oxenford the universite college vulgarly called" of 3 acres from his manor of Arncliffe, and the advowson of the church there, to the intent that the church be appropriated to the College.

The document is disfigured by some large stains. The full text is in UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 184–185.

LANGUAGE: English.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 7]

UC:E4/2D/9

1 May 25 Hen VI (1447)

Ratification of Gift

PARTIES:

1. Henry Percy, Kt., son and heir of Henry, Earl of Northumberland. COMMENTS: 1 ratifies the deed **2D/4** above. a deed of his father, dated 23 Feb 22 Hen VI (1444), in which he gave the property described in **2D/1** above to the Master and Fellows of University College, Oxford.

The deed itself is in fair condition, save for a tear at the top which has resulted in the loss of some text, and bears 1's seal, also in fair condition. The damage appears to have been done by Smith's day. LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 1 no. 2]

UC:E4/2D/10

1 May 25 Hen VI (1447)

Copy of **2D/9** above, in reasonable condition, except for a tear in the middle, which has removed text from parts of the first few lines. The seal of the Earl of Northumberland is in fair condition, with parts of the outer edge missing.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 2 no. 8]

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UC:E4/2D/11 7 Feb 31 Hen VI (1452/3)

> Confirmation by Thomas Percy son of Henry, Earl of Northumberland, and Duke of Egremont, of his father's gift to University College.

The deed is not in very good condition: there is a large stain on the right side; there are some small holes; and the seal had been lost even in Smith's day (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 187).

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N. fasc. 2 no. 9]

UC:E4/3D: LEASES OF THE RECTORY, AND RELATED PAPERS

At the head of his transcript of 3D/3-18, Smith (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 199) noted "There were undoubtedly some older grants (v. N1 fasc. 3 no. 3 [= 3D/1 below]). But this following is the oldest now remaining in the Treasury". UC:E4/3D/1-2 clearly do relate to such older leases.

Smith's references for these leases is not wholly clear. 3D/3-18 seem to have been numbered as "Pyx N2 fasc. 1", but 3D/19-31 just bear the reference "2 fasc. dimiss" presumably a shorthand for "Pyx N2 fasc. 2".

All leases from **3D/19** onwards are in English. Smith himself described them as "English leases since ye Act for reserving a 3d part of ye antient Rent to be pain in Corn" (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 210).

3D/3, 3D/5-15 & 3D/17-19 were found tied together with a parchment tag (probably 3D/4. 3D/16 and 3D/201 also came from this bundle), and 3D/21 & 3D/23-33 were found tied together with a parchment tag in a separate bundle.

UC:E4/3D/1 1 Dec 31 Hen VI (1452)

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. William Dixson, perpetual vicar of Arncliffe, and Thomas Dyxson of the county of York, yeoman.
- 2. John Marton, Master or warden of University College, Oxford, and the Fellows of the same.

COMMENTS: 1 undertake to pay 2 £100 by the next feast of St. Martin in winter (ie 11 Nov 1453). Smith (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 192) says, probably correctly, "I take this to have been a Bond for performance of Covenents".

Given at Oxford. The seal is missing, and Smith does not note whether it was there in his day.

LANGUAGE: Latin

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 3 no. 3]

UC:E4/3D/2 Agreement 1 Dec 34 Hen VI (1455)

PARTIES:

- 1. John Marton, Master or Warden of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. (a) William Dikson, Vicar of Arneclyffe in Cravyn, Yorks.
 - (b) Thomas Dikson of the same, Yeoman.



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COMMENTS: 2 agree to pay for all repairs to the rectory or vicarage from the date of this deed. They will also pay 1 £20 a year, and 2 will not ask for any money for repairs from 1. The seal is lost, and Smith does not mention it in his transcription (UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 191–192). LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 3 no. 6]

UC:E4/3D/3

12 Oct 14 Edw IV (1474)

Lease for 5 years

PARTIES:

- 1. Master William Grygford, Master or Warden of University College, Oxford, and the Scholars of the same, perpetual rectors of the church of Arnecliffe in Crawyne, Yorks.
- 2. (a) John Tollar, clerk
 - (b) John Dixon, Yeoman.
 - (c) William Robynson, yeoman.
 - (d) Richard Dixson, son of 1b.
 - (e) John Dixson, Jr., son of 1b.

PROPERTY: The Rectory of Arnecliffe, with all tithes, oblations, tenements and glebe (but with the right of appointment of a vicar reserved to 1).

RENT: £23 13s 4d a year.

COMMENTS: 2 are to pay all taxes, etc. on the rectory, and for repairs to the rectory and chancel, and give the vicar of the church a stipend of 20 marks.

The document had five seals in Smith's day (one for each tenant), but one of them is now lost.

WITNESSES: Robert Yorke, Thomas Astarde and John Lott.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc 1 no. 1]

UC:E4/3D/4 12 Oct 1482

Notarial instrument bearing witness that in the hall of a manse of the rectory of the church of Lynton, Yorks., John Toller and Peter Toller, clerks and rectors of Lynton, appoint Richard Wentilsey, MA, Thomas Kyrkeby, BA, and Ralph Radcliffe, chaplain, as proctors and attorneys to seal and authorise a lease of Arncliffe rectory from the Master and Fellows of University College to Ralph Faucet, vicar of Arncliffe, Peter Toller, Clerk, Henry Setill, Clerk and Richard Bustard, baker.

The document is in fair condition.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 2a]

UC:E4/3D/5 29 Apr 1483

NOTE: the top right-hand corner of this document is so badly stained as to be illegible. Smith's summary (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 201) suggests that the document was damaged when he read it.

Lease for 5 Years

PARTIES:



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- 1. Master William Gregforth, Master or Warden of University College, Oxford, and the Scholars of the same, perpetual rectors of the church of Arncliff in Craven, Yorks.
- 2. (a) Ralph Faucet, vicar of Arncliffe
 - (b) Peter Toller, Clerk.
 - (c) Henry Setill, Clerk.
 - (d) Richard Bustard, baker, of Oxford.

PROPERTY & RENT: As in 3D/3 above.

COMMENTS: The conditions are probably the same as in **3D/3** above,

but the text is too damaged to prove this.

The document had three seals, but one of them is now only a

fragment.

WITNESSES: John Seman, Mayor of Oxford, Richard Spicer,

Alderman of the same, Thomas [the rest is illegible].

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc 1 no. 2b]

UC:E4/3D/6 29 Apr 1483

Bond

PARTIES:

1. (a) Ralph Faucet, vicar of Arncliffe

- (b) Peter Toller of Lynton, clerk
- (c) Richard Bustard, baker, of Oxford.
- 2. William Gregforth, Master of University College, and the Scholars of the same.

COMMENTS: 1 is bound to 2 to pay them £40 by St. Chad's Day 1485.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 3]

UC:E4/3D/7 17 Mar 1488/9

Lease for 5 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. Master John Rokesborowe, Master or Warden of University College, Oxford, and the Scholars of the same, perpetual rectors of the church of Arncliff in Craven, Yorks.
- 2. (a) Ralph Fawcet, vicar of Arncliffe
 - (b) John Fawcet, Clerk
 - (c) Peter Toller, Clerk.
 - (d) Henry Setill, Clerk.
 - (e) Richard Bustard of Oxford, Baker.

PROPERTY & RENT: As in 3D/3 above.

COMMENTS: The conditions are same as in 3D/3 above.

The document had three seals, but all of them are now damaged.

WITNESSES: Master Thomas Nede and Henry Setill.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc 1 no. 4]

UC:E4/3D/8 3 Mar 1493/4

Lease for 5 Years Parties:



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- 1. Master John Rokesborow, Master or Warden of University College, Oxford, and the Scholars of the same, perpetual rectors of the church of Arneclyffe in Craven, Yorks.
- 2. (a) John Rokesborow, Clerk, vicar of Hyworth in the diocese of Salisbury.
 - (b) Ralph Faucet, Clerk.
 - (c) Thomas Bakehow. Clerk.
 - (d) Milo Staveley, Gent., of the diocese of York.

PROPERTY & RENT: As in 3D/3 above.

COMMENTS: The conditions are same as in **3D/3** above. The document had two seals, of which one is lost.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc 1 no. 5]

UC:E4/3D/9 22 Feb 1493/4

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. (a) Thomas Bakhowe, Prebendary of Standbygg in the Collegiate Church of Ripon, and Rector of the choir of the same.
 - (b) Ralph Facett, Vicar of Arneclyff.
 - (c) Milo Staveley of Ripon, Gent.
- 2. The Master and Scholars of University College, Oxford.

COMMENTS: 1 are bound to 2 for £40 (presumably for payment of rent)

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 6]

UC:E4/3D/10 24 Sep 1498

Lease for 15 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. Master John Rokysborow, Master of University College, Oxford, and the Scholars of the same, perpetual rectors of the church of Arncliff in Craven, Yorks.
- 2. (a) Richard Byrd, Clerk.
 - (b) Thomas Bakhow, Clerk.
 - (c) Ralph Faucet, Clerk.
 - (d) William Staveley of Bygnell, Gent.
 - (e) Milo Staveley of Ripon Parke, Gent.

PROPERTY: As in 3D/3 above.

RENT: £24 a year.

COMMENTS: The conditions are same as in **3D/3** above.

Part of the top-right-hand corner is missing, but not so much that the

meaning of the document is lost.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc 1 no. 7]

UC:E4/3D/11 26 Apr 1532

Another copy of **3D/12** below, but in much worse condition, with several holes in the text.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 8a]



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UC:E4/3D/12 26 Apr 1532

Lease for 20 years, to be renewed at five-year intervals.

PARTIES:

- 1. Leonard Huchenson, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same, Rectors of Arncliffe.
- 2. (a) Thomas Fulthrope, Constable of the camp of Midelham.
 - (b) Rolande Kydde, curate of the same.

PROPERTY: As in 3D/3 above.

RENT: £27 a year.

COMMENTS: 2 agree to allow Christopher Elyson, vicar of Arncliffe, to retain the glebe.

This deed is in poor condition, with text disfigured by stains and a hole (although not in such poor condition as **3D/11** above). It has been reused as a draft for a lease of 33 Hen VIII (1541) to Robert Pudsey, Gent.]

See too UC:E4/3L/3 with reference to this lease.

LANGUAGE: Latin

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 8b]

UC:E4/3D/13 1541

Fragment of a lease dated to 1541 on its dorse, although there is nothing (except for the mention of Leonard Huchynson as Master) on the surviving text to prove this. Presumably this is the lease to Robert Pudsey for which **3D/12** was used as a draft.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 9]

UC:E4/3D/14 8 Oct 1547

Lease for 41 years

PARTIES:

- 1. Richard Salvayne, clerk, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same, rectors of Arncliffe.
- 2. Thomas Wyllinson, Gent.

PROPERTY: Half of the rectory of Arncliffe with tenths

RENT: £13 10s.

COMMENTS: The same conditions relating to Christopher Elleson, the

vicar of Arncliffe, apply.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 10a]

UC:E4/3D/15 8 Oct 1547

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. (a) Thomas Willynson, once of Dolton [sic], Yorks., Gent.
 - (b) Henry Slynger of Lytly Huton, Yorks, Yeoman.
- 2. Richard Salvayne (as above).

COMMENTS: 1 are bound to 2 to assign to Christopher Ellyson, vicar of Arncliffe, and to his successors all rights to the glebe lands of

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Arncliffe, and all the tithe corn of Hauxeweke [Hawkswick], as set out in two pairs of indentures of same date.

William Smith (UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 206–7) suggested that the rectory had been leased in two halves in 1547, one to Willynson, the other to Slynger.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 11]

UC/E4/3D/16 8 Oct 1547

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. Henry Slynger (as above).
- 2. Richard Salvayne (as above).

COMMENTS: 1 is bound to 2 for £20 for the performance of covenants agreed in a deed of the same day, which must refer to a lease (now lost).

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 11b]

UC:E4/3D/17 1 Nov 1551

Lease for 41 years

PARTIES:

- 1. As in **3D/15** above.
- 2. (a) Christopher Elyson, clerk, Vicar of Arncliffe.
 - (b) Master George Elyson, Fellow of University College, to whom the advowson (*advocatio*) of Arncliffe has been granted.

PROPERTY: The glebe of Arncliffe, and tithes of *garbi* on the same, with the tithes of *garbi* from Haxwike.

RENT: The accustomed rent of the glebe and tithes (sum unspecified), half each to Thomas Willynson and Henry Slynger, the two farmers of Arncliffe.

COMMENTS: George Elyson (Fellow of University College and later

Master) became vicar of Arncliffe in 1552.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 12]

UC:E4/3D/18 31 Mar 1559

Lease for 41 years

PARTIES:

- 1. James Dugedalle, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. Thomas Hutchinson of Oxford, Yeoman.

PROPERTY: The Rectory of Arncliffe (with the usual conditions).

RENT: £27.

COMMENTS: The lease is to run from All Saints' Day 1588.

The deed has been deliberately slashed, and its seal cut away. This was probably done when the lease was surrendered (see 3D/18 below).

LANGUAGE: Latin

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 13]

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UC:E4/3D/19 17 Mar 1571/2

Lease for 17 years

PARTIES:

- 1. Thomas Key, clerk, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. Robert Grenacres, Commoner (*commensalis*) of the same College.

PROPERTY: As in 3D/18 above.

RENT: £13 10s.

COMMENTS: Grenacres had been elected Percy Fellow of University College in 1559, but had resigned at an unknown date in the 1560s.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 14]

UC:E4/3D/20 17 Mar 14 Eliz I (1571/2)

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. Robert Grenacres (as above).
- 2. Thomas Key (as above).

COMMENTS: 1 is bound to 2 for £20 to perform the covenants agreed in **3D/19** above.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 14a]

UC:E4/3D/21 2 Oct 30 Eliz I (1588)

Lease for 21 years

PARTIES:

- 1. Anthony Gate, Esq., Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. (a) Richard Grenacres of Waltamstowe, Essex.
 - (b) Alexander Grenacres of Worston, Lancashire.
 - (c) Katherine Hamerton, wife of James Hamerton of Worston, Gent.

PROPERTY: The rectory of Arncliffe (but not the advowson of the same).

RENT: £18 in cash, and 6 quarters of wheat, 28 quarters of malt (or the cash equivalent), the money to be paid at the College, with 1 defraying the costs.

COMMENTS: 2 are to pay 20 marks towards a preacher, and are to rent to him the glebe and the tithes of *garbi* of Arncliffe and Haxwicke on the usual terms. They will also pay for the repair of the parsonage house and the chancel at their own expense.

Thomas Huchinson, who had made a lease in 1559 to start in 1588 (see **3D**/**18** above) has surrendered this to the College, who now lease the property to 2.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 1]

UC:E4/3D/22 12 Jul 38 Eliz I (1596)

An illegible Bond, apparently relating to Arncliffe, and mentioning members of the Grenacres and Haycock family. Smith writes on the

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document that it is a bond for performing covenants of the preceding lease at Arncliffe.

[No original reference is legible, nor is the document mentioned in Smith's transcripts.]

UC:E4/3D/23

2 Mar 43 Eliz I (1600/1)

Lease for life

PARTIES:

- 1. George Abbott, D.D., Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. Henry Topham, MA, and vicar of Arncliffe, Yorks.

PROPERTY: The glebe land of the parish, with the corn tithes of Arncliffe and Haxwike.

RENT: £5 a year.

COMMENTS: This extra property is intended to augment the stipend of 20 marks a year, and use of the parsonage house, which the vicar of Arncliffe already possessed.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 2]

UC:E4/3D/24

3 Mar Mar Eliz I (1600/1)

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. George Abbot, D.D., Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. Symon Haycoke of Fezanforth [?], Lancs., Gent.

PROPERTY AND RENT: All as in **3D/21**, above, with the same conditions attached.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 3]

UC:E4/3D/25

1 Mar 44 Eliz I (1601/2)

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES, PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/24 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 4]

UC:E4/3D/26

4 Jan 17 Ja I (1619/20)

[The ink on these deed has faded, and parts of it are now illegible] Lease for 21 Years:

PARTIES:

- [John Bancroft]¹, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same
- 2. (a) Charles Greenwood of Greenwoodley, Yorks., Gent.
- (b) George Radcliffe of Thornhill, Yorks., Esq.

PROPERTY & RENT: As in 3D/21 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 5]

UC:E4/3D/27

27 Mar 21 Ja I (1623)

Lease for 21 Years

¹ Bancroft's name is now illegible, but he was Master of the College at this time.

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PARTIES, PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/26 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 6]

UC:E4/3D/28 3 Jun 1626

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

1. As in **3D/26** above.

2. Lady Anne Savile of Thornhill, Yorks, Widow.

PROPERTY & RENT: As in 3D/21 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 7]

UC:E4/3D/29 16 Jan 1629/30

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES, PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/28 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 8]²

UC:E4/3D/30 1 Mar 1631/2

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. As in **3D/26** above.
- 2. (a) Roger Dawson of King's Stainfurth, Yorks, Yeoman.
 - (b) Christopher Dawson of Darnebrooke, Yorks, Yeoman.
 - (c) Abraham Knowles of Foxup [sic], Yorks., Yeoman.

PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/21 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 9]

UC:E4/3D/31 18 Mar 1635/6

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. Thomas Walker, D.D., Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. All as in 3D/30 above.

PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/21 above.

[Original Reference 2 fasc. dimiss. 10]

UC:EB1/A1/2 fol. 14v has a brief note of an otherwise lost lease dated 3 May 1652, to Christopher Dawson of Knightstainforth and Josias Dawson of Lancliffe, both in the parish of Giggleswick, Yeomen, and Agnes Knowles of Foxup within the parish of Arncliffe, widow, of the rectory of Arncliffe for an unspecified date. However the note speaks of the conditions being the same as in the previous lease (ie **3D/31** above).

This lease seems to have been missing even in Smith's day: he (UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 217–8) describes "2 fasc. dimiss. 14" as a bond of Christopher and Issaak Dawson, Gents., to the



² Smith's numbering of the actual documents here differs from that given in his transcripts as UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 217. The original references given here are as given on the documents. However his transcripts seem to number **3D/29–32** as 2 fasc dimiss. 9, 11, 13 and 16a, inserting references to licences of alienation (now lost).

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College in the sum of £800, dated 3 May 1652, and merely thought that this referred to a lease of the same date, which it clearly does.

UC:EB1/A1/2 fol. 123 has a copy of an otherwise lost lease, dated 27 Dec 1672, to Seth Clayton of the Inner Temple, London, Gent., of the Rectory of Arncliffe, subject to the usual conditions, for 21 years, at a rent of £18 in cash, and 6 quarters of wheat, 28 quarters of malt (or the cash equivalent). Smith (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 219) described "2 fasc. dimiss. 15" as a lease of 1672 to Mr. Clayton, which must be this deed.

Note here **UC:E4/1C/54** below, an Assignment of Lease dated 28 Feb 1693/4, from Nicholas Waddington of Killinghall, Yorks., Gent., to William Norton of Sawley. This suggests that Waddington had been leased the tithes of Arncliffe on 30 June 1690, although no other document alludes to this.

UC:E4/3D/32 7 May 1694

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

1. The Master and Fellows of University College, Oxford.

2. William Norton of Sawley, Yorks., Esq.

PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/21 above.

[the original deed is unnumbered; but Smith UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 218 makes it 2 fasc. dimiss. 16a]

UC:E4/3D/33 7 May 1694

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. William Norton (as in 3D/32 above).
- 2. The Master and Fellows of University College.

COMMENTS: 1 is bound to 2 to obey the covenants in **3D**/**32** above. The original deed is unnumbered; but UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 218 makes it 2 fasc. dimiss. 16b. However there is another bond of the same date, numbered by Smith as Pyx KK2 fasc. 2 no. 28, and described by him as referring to 'Mr Norton 200^{li} to y^e Coll to save harmless from Waddington for Arncliffe leases' (UC:AR2/MS1/10 p. 119). This bond appears to be different from the one listed here, and is probably lost.

No leases are extant for Arncliffe between William Norton's lease of 1694, and the one below, created in 1740, nor do there seem to be any copies of lost leases in **UC:EB1/A1/2—3**, which suggests that none may have been drawn up, a suggestion supported by **UC:E4/7C/2** below, which lists known leases of Arncliffe, and identifies none between 1694 and 1740.

UC:E4/3D/34 1 Sep 1740

Lease for 7 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. Thomas Cockman, D.D., Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. Christopher Hamond of Arncliffe, Yorks., Yeoman.



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PROPERTY: The Rectory of Arncliffe, Yorks. (excepting the right of presentation to the vicarage, and timber and mining rights). 1 also agree to pay all dues to Hubram Chapel and to the diocese of York, and all rates.

RENT: £18, and 6 quarters of wheat and 28 quarters of malt, or the cash equivalent, a year.

UC:EB1/A1/4 pp.75–6 is a copy of the presentation of Henry Tennant, Fellow of University College, to the living of Arncliffe on 12 April 1765.

UC:EB1/A1/4 p.83 is copy of an otherwise lost lease for 21 years, dated 1 Jan 1766, between the College and Henry Tennant, Clerk., MA, vicar of Arncliffe, of the Rectory of Arncliffe, to the same conditions as **3D/32** above.

UC:EB1/A1/4 pp.191–2 is a copy of the presentation of George Croft, Fellow of University College, and chaplain to the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, to the living of Arncliffe in 1779 (day and month left blank).

UC:E4/3D/35 25 May 1781

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. Nathan Wetherell, D.D., Master of University College, Oxford, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. George Croft, D.D., Vicar of Arncliffe, Yorks.

PROPERTY: The Rectory of Arncliffe. 2 agrees to pay to keep relevant tenements in good repair, and pay all to Hubram Chapel and to the diocese of York, and all rates.

RENT: As in 3D/34 above.

UC:E4/3D/36 23 Mar 1797

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES, PROPERTY & RENT: All as in **3D**/**35** above, save that 2 need not pay more than £110 a year, even if the rent in money, wheat and malt exceeds this sum.

UC:E4/3D/37 23 May 1797

Counterpart of **3D/36** above.

UC:EB1/A1/4 p.442 is a copy of the presentation of Eardley Norton, Fellow of University College, to the living of Arncliffe, 25 Oct 1809.

UC:E4/3D/38 10 Jul 1810

Lease for 21 Years

PARTIES:

- 1. James Griffith, D.D., Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
- 2. Rev. Eardley Norton, Vicar of Arncliffe.

PROPERTY & RENT: As in **3D/35** above, save that the maximum limit on the rent is now £150 a year.

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UC:E4/3D/39 10 Jul 1810

Counterpart of **3D/38** above.

UC:EB1/A1/5 p.29 is a copy of the presentation of Eardley Norton again to the living of Arncliffe, 16 Dec 1816.

UC:E4/3D/40 28 Nov 1817

Lease for 21 Years (or as long as the tenant remains Vicar of Arncliffe)

PARTIES, PROPERTY & RENT: All as in 3D/38 above.

UC:E4/3D/41 28 Nov 1817

Counterpart of 3D/40 above.

UC:E4/3D/42 6 Nov 1821

Lease for 21 Years (or as long as the tenant remains Vicar of Arncliffe)

PARTIES, PROPERTY & RENT: All as in **3D/40** above, save that the Master of University College is now George Rowley.

COMMENTS: This would appear to be the last lease ever drawn up for the tithes of Arncliffe; none are recorded in the registers of leases. It seems that for the rest of the century, the College directly employed land agents to collect their tithes from Arncliffe, rather than farm this right out. See further **UC:E4/2F** below.

UC:EB1/A1/5 pp.293–4 is a copy of the presentation of William Boyd, Fellow of University College, to the living of Arncliffe, 13 Jun 1835.

UC:EB1/A1/5 p.463 is a formal copy of a receipt, dated 11 April 1850, for the purchase of a hay modus or tithe rent charge from the College for £72 from certain unnamed parishioners of Arncliffe.

UC:EB1/A1/6 pp.316–18 is a copy of an otherwise lost conveyance of 26 Apr 1888 by University College to William Arthur Shuffrey of Arncliffe, Clerk, of the advowson of Arncliffe for £205.

UC:EB1/A1/6 pp.335–6 is a copy of an otherwise lost grant dated 18 Jan 1890 from the Fellows of University College of an annual rent charge of £20 to the vicar of Arncliffe.

UC:EB1/A1/6 pp.363–4 is a copy of an otherwise lost conveyance of 27 Apr 1895 from the Fellows of University College to William Arthur Shuffrey of certain lands, as specified in a schedule and an (enclosed) map in Arncliffe for free, to be held by the vicar there and his successors.

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UC:E4/1L/1 20 Sep 1454

Exemplification of the will of Thomas Newton, Rector of Arncliffe (dated 27 Aug 1451; proved 10 Sep 1451).



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The document itself is in good condition, but its seal was lost even in Smith's day (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 188).

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 3 no. 1]

UC:E4/1L/2 23 Sep 1451

Grant from Thomas Swift, Official of the Archdeacon of York to the Master and Fellows of University College of the appropriation of Arncliffe after the death of Thomas Newton.

Given at York.

Much of the top-left corner of this document is lost, and with it a significant portion of text. The damage was there in Smith's day (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 186). The seal is missing; it is not know whether it was already lost when Smith examined it.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 3 no. 2]

UC:E4/1L/3

19 Sep 33 Hen VI (1454)

Letter of Attorney

PARTIES:

- 1. John Burn, Prior of the Priory of Holy Trinity, York, executor of the will of Thomas Newton, former Rector of Arneclyfe.
- 2. John Martyn, Master of University College and the Fellows of the same, or one of them.

COMMENTS: 1 appoints 2 as his attorneys to collect 40 marks from the Abbot and convent of Salley which the Abbey was bound to pay Newton while he was alive, and now owe to 1, who now allows 2 to collect this money.

Given at York. 1's seal survives, in decent condition. Smith says of it (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 190): "The seal is somewhat lesse y" our Coll' seal in green having as it seems a fig of o' Saviour discoursing with ye doctor or a child standing between two persons. With a counter seal on ye back side with ye Inscrip Sigullum Johis Burn".

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 3 no. 4]

UC:E4/1L/4

Morrow of St. Ambrose 33 Hen VI (5 Apr 1455)

NOTE: This document has been badly stained (by Smith?) with gall, so that much of it is hard to read, and the best source for the text is Smith's transcription (UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 190–191)

Bond

PARTIES:

- 1. Thomas, Abbot of Sallay, and the convent of the same.
- 2. John Marthon [*sic*], and the Fellows of University College COMMENTS: 1 is bound to pay 2 a sum of 40 marks in annual instalments of 8 marks each. The document bears a fair copy of the Abbey's seal.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 3 no. 5]



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UC:E4/2L: DOCUMENTS RELATING TO A DISPUTE BETWEEN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND HENRY PERCY, FOURTH EARL OF NORTHUMBERLAND

Henry Percy, fourth Earl of Northumberland, and grandson of the benefactor of University College (see Introduction), had wished to appoint his chaplain Thomas Halton (or Holton) vicar of Arncliffe, even though the advowson had now been given to University College. Despite the unfairness of his claim, Percy still succeeded in forcing the College to agree to pay Halton an annuity, in return for his not claiming the parish, until he receive promotion. All parties must have suspected that this would take some time, and it did: the College accounts show that Thomas Holton was paid an annuity of £3 6s 8d from 1474/5–1496/7—about one-sixth of the income from the rectory.

UC:E4/2L/1 6 May 1473

Notarial instrument recording a declaration made by John Marton in the church of St. Aldates in which he and the Fellows of the College make a formal *provocacio* to the Apostolic seat to seek protection to ensure their safe possession of the rectory of Arneclyff. A note from Thomas Walton, clerk of the diocese of Carlisle and public notary, confirms with his notarial mark that the above proceedings took place.

The document bears two large stains, which conceal some of the text.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 1a]

UC:E4/2L/2

27 Nov 13 Edw IV (1473)

Quitclaim

NOTE: about one-third of this document is missing, including the top lines, and part of the right-hand margin. Smith only calendars it (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 193), but his calendar suggests that the document was complete when he read it. Information that can now only be deduced from Smith's comments are given in square brackets.

PARTIES:

- 1. [The Earl of Northumberland].
- 2. [The Master and Fellows of University College]
 COMMENTS: 1 quitclaims to 2 all his rights to the advowson of Arnecliff, and the pieces of land, which Henry, former Earl of Northumberland (1's grandfather) had given 2.

Given at London. 2's seal is preserved in fair condition.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 1b]

UC:E4/2L/3

27 Nov 13 Edw IV (1473)

Quitclaim

NOTE: this deed lacks most of the top two lines, and some of the left hand margin. Smith's calendar (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 194) suggests that much of this damage had already been done when he examined it. PARTIES:

1. George Percy, son of Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland.



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2. The Master and Fellows of University College.

COMMENTS: 1 quitclaims to 2 all his rights to the advowson of Arnecliff, and the pieces of land, which Henry, former Earl of Northumberland (1's great-grandfather) had given 2.

2's seal survives in good condition.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 2]

UC:E4/2L/4

28 Nov 13 Edw IV (1473)

Declaration from Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland, on the rectory of Arncliffe.

This document outlines the history of this dispute with the College, as set out in the introduction, and records the agreement reached, namely that in return for Thomas Halton's not claiming the parish, he should receive an unspecified annuity until he receive promotion. Because of this extra cost, Percy also permits the College not to accept any extra Fellows for the space of six years from the date of this document.

Given at London. The document once bore a seal impressed on the deed itself, and not on a parchment slip, but most of this has been lost. A note on the document by William Smith, dated 10 October 1704, speaks of the seal as "ready to dropp of".

LANGUAGE: English.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 3]

UC:E4/2L/5

28 Nov 13 Edw IV (1473)

Undertaking from the Master and Fellows of University College that they will celebrate a mass called *Salus Populi* yearly in their chapel on the feast of Corpus Christi for the current Earl of Northumberland, his wife Matilda and their children. They will also commemorate "anniversary day" of the Earl and Matilda with a requiem mass. Given at London. A copy of the Earl's seal survives in very good condition.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 4]

UC:E4/2L/6

28 Nov 13 Edw IV (1473)

A counterpart of **2L/5** above, but now lacking a seal.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 4b]

UC:E4/2L/7 4 Jan 1480/1

Acquittance from Thomas Halton to the Master and Fellows of University College for a payment of 33s 4d.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no.5]

UC:E4/2L/8 26 Apr 1493

Acquittance from Thomas Halton to the Master and Fellows of University College for a payment of 33s 4d.

Halton's seal is preserved on this document.



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LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 6]

UC:E4/2L/9 20 Oct 1495

Acquittance from Thomas Halton to the Master and Fellows of University College for a payment of 33s 4d.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 7]

UC:E4/3L: OTHER LEGAL DOCUMENTS, 16th CENTURY

UC:E4/3L/1 17 Hen VII (1501/2)

Extract from the "Great Roll of the 17th Year of King Henry VII *adhuc Res Ebor*", which records that University College theoretically owes the Crown £8 in unpaid tenths on the rectory of Arclyve, but in fact is exempted from payment.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 8]

UC:E4/3L/2 24 Hen VIII (1532/3)

A record of a similar exemption to University College on unpaid tenths this time amounting to 53s 4d.

LANGUAGE: Latin.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 9]

UC:E4/3L/3 n.d. (1530s–1540s?)

Complaint to Chancery from Richard Proctor that Leonard Huchinson, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same, had leased him the parsonage of Arncliffe for 20 years, paying an entry fine of £4, which Proctor duly paid to Richard Fallowfield, the lease to begin when a lease made to Geoffrey Proctor, Richard's father, and Thomas Craston, parson of Abbotts Anson, should expire. This was due to expire on All Saints' Day. 24 Hen VIII (1 Nov 1532).

Unfortunately Hutchinson and the Fellows then leased the parsonage to Thomas Fulthropp, Gent., and Roland Kydde, clerk, for five yearly periods to 20 years, and then aimed to expel Proctor from the vicarage, which he and his family had been living in for 20 years, and paying all rents and fines. Furthermore, his own land is only two miles away from the parsonage, whereas Thomas Fulthropp lives fourteen miles away, and has taken the parsonage over. No other evidence for Proctor's dispute with the College survives. The document is undated, but refers to Henry VIII as "King Henry as now is", and Leonard Hutchinson was Master from 1518–1546. See too UC:E4/3D/12 for a copy of the lease to Fulthropp and Kydde. LANGUAGE: English.

[Original reference Pyx N fasc. 4 no. 10]

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UC:E4/4L: PAPERS RELATING TO THE ENCLOSURE OF PARTS OF ARNCLIFFE

UC:E4/4L/1-2

Printed copy of the Enclosure Act for Cow Close, West Moor and Clowder (*alias* Clowther) in Arncliffe, Yorks.[2 copies].

UC:E4/4L/3 n.d. (c. 1768?)

MS titled A Narration on behalf of the Master and Scholars of University Colledge Oxford and the Revd Mr. Tennant Vicar of Arncliff relative to the Bill depending in Parliament concerning the Tythes of the Township of Litton in the said parish of Arncliff in the County of York, referring to events in 1766 and 1767 arising from the enclosure there, and possible compensation with regard to tithes.

UC:E4/4L/4 5 Jul 1768

Note relating to the computation of tithes for part of Arncliffe, in some cases having to look back to the tithe books of 1716.

UC:E4/1C: 17th AND 18th CENTURY CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO ARNCLIFFE

All but the last of these items was sorted and arranged by William Smith into two bundles. He described **UC:E4/1C/1–30** as a "Bundle of dispersed papers relating to the Rectory Collected & put in order as far as I could hastely do it ao 1705 mense Apr die 5^{to}" (comment written on **UC:E4/1C/1**), and **UC:E4/1C/31–74** merely as "Arnecliffe—Bundle of letters ye 2d" (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 219).

The first bundle was clearly identified as "Pyx N2 fasc. 1"; but no clear Pyx number seems to have been given to the second one. It is assumed that Smith would have meant it to be "Pyx N2 fasc. 2".

See the Appendix for more details on vicars of Arncliffe mentioned here.

UC:E4/1C/1 17 Apr 1613

Letter (address Arnclyffe) from Arthur Coldcoll (vicar of Arncliffe from 1608) to an addressee whose name is lost due to the top lines being cut away (Smith [UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 211] thought that it was Jonas Radcliffe) concerning the College's current tenant of the rectory, George Haycocke, and the size of his entry fine.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 1a]

UC:E4/1C/2 c. 1613

Accounts (enclosed in the preceding letter) of the tithes of Arncliffe, but also noting the sums owed to Coldcoll himself to an unnamed curate of "Hubbram" (ie Hubberholme).

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 1b]

UC:E4/1C/3 c.1613

Accounts (also found in 1C/1) of tithes from Arncliffe.

UC:E4/1C/4 28 Sep 1646

Letter (address Stainforth) from Roger Dawson and Christopher Dawson to Thomas Walker. They are having trouble paying their rent



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because sequestrators have demanded £50 from them to be paid to one William Banks, a scholar of University College who thought he was due this money (he had matriculated there in 1634 aged 16). They also note that the inhabitants of Hubbram (Hubberholme) are petitioning to become a separate parish.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 2]

UC:E4/1C/5 5 Jan 1646/7

Letter (address as above) from Roger and Christopher Dawson to Thomas Walker concerning sending money to the College, and the trouble which they are having in finding money to pay the rent to the College and the sequestrators.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 3]

UC:E4/1C/6 1 Feb 1647/8

Letter (address Langcliffe) from Christopher Dawson and Christopher Dawson Jr. to Henry Watkins, University College, warning that inhabitants of several of the villages within the Parish or Arncliffe are refusing to pay tithes, claiming that these belonged to Fountains Abbey.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 4]

UC:E4/1C/7 30 Nov 1659

Letter (address Langcliffe) from Christopher Dawson, Josias Dawson and William Taylor to the Master and Fellows of University College, concerning a dispute with the vicar of Arncliffe, Mr. Lambert, who had asked them to pay for repairs to the vicarage house and fences around the glebe, which they argue is not in their contract. They also warn that they are having trouble collecting tithes, not least because of the presence of Quakers in the parish, who will not pay them. ['Mr. Lambert' is Marmaduke Lambert, a former Freeston Exhibitioner and Skirlaw Fellow, who was presented to Arncliffe on 27 Aug 1659, and then resigned before July 1661.]

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 5]

Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 5b is missing. Smith (UC:AR2/MS1/2 p. 213) says that it was a letter, dated 3 Dec 1660, from the tenants of Arncliffe congratulating Thomas Walker on his return to the Mastership, with more complaints about Marmaduke Lambert for not living in the parish, and letting the vicarage house fall into disrepair.

UC:E4/1C/8 15 May 1666

Letter (address Langcliffe) from Josiah Dawson, Joseph Dawson and William Taylor to Timothy Nourse (then Bursar of University College) concerning the chapel at Hubbram (Hubberholme). The tenants are being sued to pay £8 a year towards a curate there. However, the Dawsons and Taylor argue that Hubberholme is a chapel of ease, and as such the villagers must pay for it, or else come to church in Arncliffe. Mr. Lambert the vicar has been siding with the villagers of Hubberholme in this.

[The vicar of Arncliffe from 1661–1681 was Josiah Lambert.]

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[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 5c]

William Smith has the following important notes on UC:E4/1C/9-29 (UC:AR2/MS1/2 pp. 214-215). He says that Seth Clayton, the College's tenant since 1672, had been "taking advantage of y^e words of his lease w^{ch} required him to allow to Mr [Josiah] Lambert vicar y^{re} y^e glebe and tyth corne of 2 hamletts for 5^{li} Rent a year during y^e College pleasure who dying in ye year 1681 the word successors not being put in yt covenant for ye Vicar Mr Clayton leased y^e glebe & tyth into his own hands & would not lett y^e vicar have them without a new agreement to advance 10^{li} per annum for 12 years ye remaining terme of his lease; w^{ch} was the last result of several overtures—& towards the making good as far as we might the vicar's place was agreed yt ye College should during those 12 years allow ye curate of Humbram stipend out of ye College's Rent & ye Vicar advance 40s or more & supply Humbram Chappel gratis till y^e lease runne out; here upon the Vicar and Mr. Waddington Mr. Clayton's Assignes procuring a better place for Mr. Johnson, who had been curate 30 years, he removed, upon w^{ch} removall or shortly after one Richard Tompson indevoured with y^e assistance as I suppose of some of ye Inhabitants of Hambram Chapelry to intrude himself into ye cure & was found to be ejected by a sentence in the consistory at York ao 1686 et ao 1687—y^e bill of w^{ch} charge no. 26 [**UC:E4/1C/29**] comes to 6^{li} 7^s 2^d & was payd by y^e College Bursar 10th Jan 1687 [1688?]—one clause of w^{ch} Bill runns thus: pro monitione et solutione sum 8^{li} pro expensis ex parte Tenant' fact—00. 4. 00. by wch I suppose Tompson was cast in this charge of 8^{ll} or att least for y^e losse of tenant whilest kept out of y^e cure or it meant of this present Bill with additional charges on ye part of tenant solliciting ye ejection of Tompson—all ye letters concerning ye suite are lost & besides this Bill of charges nothing of ve controversy remains.

"In these letters from Mr. Tenant there is mention severall time of y^e intended building of a schole w^{ch} Mr Walker gave y^m hopes of being a contributor to it or procuring contributions from some other hands—the Business was it seems incouraged or set on foot by one M^r Atkinson—or rather being set on foot by Mr. Walker y^t person offered to give some small annuall pension to it as appears by letter of March 25 1683 no. 21 [**UC:E4/1C/25**].

"The letter no. 19 1 Jan 1682 [**UC:E4/1C/22**] in w^{ch} the agreement with Mr. Clayton is inserted—Mr. Clayton setts over y^e glebbe & to Mr. Tennant & his assigns with out naming him vicar or making any provision for his successors—w^{ch} I suppose was took notice of by y^e College & rectify'd after words the draught being only provisionall & sent to y^e College for y^t approbation and Mr Tenant excusing himself of any sinister designs."

The new vicar of Arncliffe in 1681 was Miles Tennant.

UC:E4/1C/9 10 Dec 1681

Letter (no address given) from Seth Clayton to an unnamed addressee (the Master or Bursar of University College?) concerning ill feeling between him and the new vicar, Mr. [Miles] Tennant.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 6]

UC:E4/1C/10 (dated by Smith to 23 Dec 1681)

Copy of the presentation by the Master and Fellows of University College of Miles Tennant to the living of Arncliffe.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 7]

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UC:E4/1C/11 after 10 Dec 1681

Draft letter, unsigned, probably by Obadiah Walker, to Seth Clayton, in reply to his letter **1C/9** above, in which he tried to find a compromise between Clayton and Tennant.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 8]

UC:E4/1C/12 17 Feb 1681/2

Letter (no address given) from Seth Clayton to Mr. Naylor (Bursar of University College) on a dispute in the terms of his lease, and disputes between him and Tennant.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 9]

UC:E4/1C/13 23 Feb 1681/2

Letter (no address given) from Seth Clayton to an unnamed addressee (Obadiah Walker?) on his rent.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 10]

UC:E4/1C/14 after 23 Feb 1681/2

Draft letter, unsigned, probably by Obadiah Walker, to Seth Clayton, offering fresh terms.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 11]

UC:E4/1C/15 20 Mar 1682 [*sic*; probably 1682 is meant rather than 1683]

Letter (address Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to an unnamed addressee (Obadiah Walker?) informing him that he has now been inducted into the vicarage of Arncliffe, and thanking the College for their help in dealing with Clayton. He also alludes to plans for a school in Arncliffe.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 12]

UC:E4/1C/16 n.d. (c. 1681/2?)

Draft letter, unsigned, probably from Obadiah Walker to Miles Tennant, on negotiating terms about paying £8 to Hubbram Chapel, and paying a one-off sum to Clayton.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 13]

UC:E4/1C/17 n.d. (c.1681/2?)

Draft letter, from someone within University College, to an unnamed addressee, apparently a tenant defaulting on his rent.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 14]

UC:E4/1C/18 n.d. (c. 1681/2?)

Draft letter from Obadiah Walker to an unnamed addressee, in relation to the payment of rent.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 15]

UC:E4/1C/19 16 Nov 1682

Letter (address London) from Richard Waddington to Obadiah Walker (addressed first to University College; then to Simon Miller, Bookseller, at the Star at the west end of St. Paul's Cathedral; and



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finally to Mr. Simon Miller's at the Star in St. Paul's Churchyard), asking where to pay the rent money for Arncliffe.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 16]

UC:E4/1C/20 2 Dec 1682

Draft letter (address, University College) from Obadiah Walker to an unnamed addressee (identified by William Smith on the back as Richard Waddington) in reply to the preceding letter, concerning settling the amount of money owed to Mr. Clayton.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 17]

UC:E4/1C/21 2 Dec 1682

Draft letter (address, University College) from Obadiah Walker to an unnamed addressee (identified by William Smith on the back as Miles Tennant), telling of his correspondence with Waddington, and hoping that the dispute can be settled without recourse to law.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 18]

UC:E4/1C/22 1 Jan 1682/3

Letter (address not given) from Miles Tennant to Obadiah Walker, informing him that he, Waddington, and Clayton have at last met and reached agreement on Clayton's claim for income.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 19]

UC:E4/1C/23 3 Jan 1682/3

Letter (address Horton) from Richard Waddington to Obadiah Walker, reporting on the same meeting, but warning about the unhappy condition of the curate of Hubberholme.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 20]

UC:E4/1C/24 8 Jan 1682/3

Letter (address not given) from Miles Tennant to Obadiah Walker, informing him of unhappiness in Hubberholme at the possibility of losing their curate.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 22]

UC:E4/1C/25 25 Mar 1683

Letter (address not given) from Miles Tennant to Obadiah Walker, reporting on trying to settle Waddington's lease, and getting Clayton to surrender his, and on getting an assignment of lease signed; also that a certain Mr. Atkinson is planning to give an annuity to endow a local school.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 21]

UC:E4/1C/26 16 Apr 1683

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to an unnamed addressee (almost certainly Obadiah Walker) on the same matters as **1C/25**.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 23]

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UC:E4/1C/27 23 May 1683

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to Obadiah Walker, concerning the trouble he is having in finding Waddington at home to settle the matter of the lease, as Waddington is away on business all the time at present.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 24]

UC:E4/1C/28 8 Jul 1683

Letter (address not given) from Miles Tennant to Obadiah Walker. Mr. Waddington is proving recalcitrant over renewing his lease.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 25]

UC:E4/1C/29

Bill for costs relating to a case between Miles Tennant, Vicar of Arncliffe and Richard Thompson. As stated in William Smith's note above, it seems that Thompson has tried to get himself appointed curate of Hubberholme, against the wishes of Tennant and the College who arranged for his ejection.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 26]

UC:E4/1C/30 n.d. (c. 1681?)

Notes made by Obadiah Walker on the history of the rectory of Arncliffe (William Smith, in a note on this document, thinks that they were written in c. 1681.)

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 1 no. 27]

UC:E4/1C/31 2 Apr 1690

Memorandum of an action of ejectment taken by the deputy to the sheriff of Yorkshire on the Rectory of Arncliffe.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 1]

UC:E4/1C/32 11 April 1690

Letter (address not given) from Seth Clayton to the Bursar of University College on the bankruptcy of Nicholas Waddington, the College's tenant. Part of the text of this letter is lost.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 2]

Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 3 is missing, and its contents unknown.

UC:E4/1C/33 5 May 1690

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to an unnamed addressee (the Master or Bursar of University College?). Waddington's bankruptcy has caused some problems in raising money, as some tenants have paid Easter dues to him, and not Tennant. He is also paying money towards Johnson, the curate at Hubberholme.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 4]

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UC:E4/1C/34 23 May 1690

Letter (address not given) from Seth Clayton to the Bursar of University College on how Wadddington hoped to draw up a new lease with the College, and settle his arrears with it.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 5]

UC:E4/1C/35 30 Jun 1690

Note of the terms on which University College agree to renew their lease on Arncliffe to Nicholas Waddington of Horton, in particular relating to the payment of arrears.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 6]

UC:E4/1C/36 Jul 1690

Draft letter from William Smith to Miles Tennant, reporting that the College has agreed to give Waddington the younger a new lease, and reporting on arguments between him and the College about what perks were to be set aside for Tennant. There are also problems about Clayton's claims on Tennant's income.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 7]

UC:E4/1C/37 8 Jul 1690

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith concerning disputes between him and Waddington about arrangements for collecting tithes. He also reports on the birth and death of his son.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 8]

UC:E4/1C/38 16 Oct 1690

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith. The ink in this letter has stained through onto the both sides, leaving it very difficult to read, but Smith's summary on the back says that in it, Tennant reports that the elder Waddington had bribed him ten pounds to persuade the College to take on the payment of $\mathfrak{L}8$ a year for the curacy of Hubberholme in the new lease.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 9]

UC:E4/1C/39 29 Dec 1690

Letter (address Standburne) from Seth Clayton to Miles Tennant angrily asking him for his yearly payment.

[This seems to have no Pyx number, but chronologically must come here]

UC:E4/1C/40 19 Jan 1690/1

Draft letter, presumably from the Bursar of University College to Seth Clayton. The College learnt that Clayton had taken out a bankruptcy action against Waddington, and expresses its displeasure at Clayton's actions.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 10]

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UC:E4/1C/41 12 Feb 1690/1

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to the Bursar of University College. Nicholas Waddington has been declared bankrupt, but he and his father hope to pay all their debts, and to visit Oxford to receive their lease on Arncliffe. At the same time some parishioners are proving reluctant to pay tithe, and finding excuses to avoid it.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 11]

UC:E4/1C/42 n.d. (c. 1690/1?)

Draft letter, presumably from the Bursar of University College, to Miles Tennant, asking him to send detailed accounts for Arncliffe, expressing suspicion of the Waddingtons, and warning him that he is in danger of losing the College's good will.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 12]

UC:E4/1C/43 Mar 1690/1

Letter (address not given) from Miles Tennant to Mr. Foster, Bursar of University College, promising to send detailed accounts, but warning that the tithes are not good this year. He also reports that Clayton is raising difficulties again.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 13]

Pyx N2 fasc 2 nos. 14–15 are missing, and their contents unknown.

UC:E4/1C/44 20 Mar 1690/1

Letter (address, Melton Mowbray), from Mr. Brocklesby (described by Smith as an attorney) to Mr. Foster, Bursar of University College, promising to help Waddington the younger pay off his debts to the College (it seems he was related to the Waddingtons—he calls the younger one his kinsman in **1C/48** below).

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 16]

UC:E4/1C/45 27 Apr 1691

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to Mr. Foster, Bursar of University College, concerning getting his parishioners (especially the Quakers) to pay their tithes, and warning that the chancel of the church is in poor repair.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 17]

UC:E4/1C/46 27 May 1691

Letter (address, London) from Mr. Brocklesby to Mr. Hinckley, Bursar of University College, making enquiries about the nature of the Waddingtons' lease from the College, which seems originally to have merely been an assignment from Clayton.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 18]

UC:E4/1C/47 28 Jun 1691

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith, reporting on collecting his midsummer dues.



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[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 19]

UC:E4/1C/48 15 Aug 1691

Letter (address, Melton Mowbray) from Mr. Brocklesby to Mr. Hinckley, Bursar of University College, reporting that he has heard nothing from the Waddingtons, and that he is unhappy that their treatment of him.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 20]

UC:E4/1C/49 28 Nov 1691

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith, concerning the collection of tithes. He warns that the tithes will not be large this year, and gives an account for them.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 21]

UC:E4/1C/50 11 Mar 1691/2

Letter (address, Leeds) from Miles Tennant to Mr. Hinckley, Bursar of University College, reporting that he has sent £70 to the College.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 22]

UC:E4/1C/51 21 May 1692

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith, giving details of money received and disbursed from the tithes of Arncliffe.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 23]

UC:E4/1C/52 31 May 1692

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith, also concerning his tithe accounts, and explaining any problems in them.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 24]

UC:E4/1C/53 10 Feb 1693/4

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to John Siser, Bursar of University College, giving details of the money he is sending the College.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 25]

UC:E4/1C/54 28 Feb 1693/4

Assignment of Lease

PARTIES:

- 1. Nicholas Waddington of Killinghall, Yorks., Gent.
- William Norton of Sawley.

CONSIDERATION: £130 (the sum now due in arrears for University College).

COMMENTS: 1 assigns his lease on the tithes of Arncliffe (given him on 30 June 1690) to 2. No other document refers to this lease (see UC:E4/3D/31–32 above).

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 26]

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UC:E4/1C/55 12 Mar 1693/4

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to John Siser, Bursar of University College, reporting that the tithes of the townships in the parish are not to be assessed.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 27]

UC:E4/1C/56 6 Mar & 14 Apr 1694

Letter (address, Easby) from John Robinson to William Smith, dated 6 Mar 1693/4, on Nicholas Waddington's assigning his lease to William Norton, with a note added by Norton himself (address, Sawley, date 14 Apr 1694) on the same matter.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 28]

UC:E4/1C/57-58

Two notes in William Smith's hand listing the sums of money paid to the College by Nicholas Waddington.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 29]

UC:E4/1C/59 4 May 1694

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to an unnamed addressee (William Smith?), concerning uncertainties in the payment of the £8 salary of the curate of Hubbram (Hubberholme) chapel.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 30]

UC:E4/1C/60 10 May 1694

Letter (address, London) from William Norton to William Smith, asking to be exempted from paying the salary of the curate of Hubbrom chapel.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 31]

UC:E4/1C/61 16 Jun 1694

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to an unnamed addressee (William Smith?), expressing concern that he may not be getting as good a deal on his lease as he had hoped.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 32]

UC:E4/1C/62 13 Jul 1694

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to the (unnamed) Bursar of University College, giving accounts for the tithes which he has collected this year, and defending himself against complaints from Norton about his efficiency in this matter.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 33]

UC:E4/1C/63 22 Jul 1694

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to Arthur Charlett, complaining both that the terms of his lease are not as good has he had expected, and that Tennant is not being very efficient in his accounting. He also talks about the villagers in Hubbram wanting their own curate (at present they do not have one).

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 34]

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UC:E4/1C/64 30 Jul 1694

Draft letter from William Smith to Miles Tennant, angrily reprimanding him for making a mess of his accounts, and for his inefficient dealings with Norton.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 35]

UC:E4/1C/65 c. 30 Jul 1694

Draft letter (writer unknown; clearly a Fellow of University College, but not William Smith) to William Norton, trying to bring about an agreement between him and Tennant, and recommending that they seek an independent arbitrator to settle their differences.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 36]

UC:E4/1C/66 17 Aug 1694

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Miles Tennant to William Smith, defending himself against Norton's charges. He also claims that the villagers of Hubbram are happy with the service he gives them (viz. a sermon every Sunday afternoon in summer, and every other Sunday morning in winter), and that they do not need or want a curate.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 37]

UC:E4/1C/67 n.d. (c. 1694?)

Draft letter (probably from William Smith) to Mr. Brocklesby, concerning problems in obtaining the College's arrears from Waddington.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 38]

UC:E4/1C/68 Jun 1696

Draft letter (in William Smith's hand, written, according to William Smith, in John Boraston's name) to William Norton, asking when the College is going to receive his rent money.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 38 (sic)]

UC:E4/1C/69

List of questions from William Norton to the College, concerning the rent of £8 paid towards the priest at Hubbram Chapel, and whether he was responsible for this or not.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 39]

UC:E4/1C/70 26 Nov 1697

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to William Smith, concerning some sums which the Archbishop and the Dean and Chapter of York claim from Arncliffe, and which he did not realise were owed to them. Who should pay this money?

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 40]

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UC:E4/1C/71 9 Dec 1697

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to William Smith, concerning the same matter as above, which he claims was not mentioned in his lease, or any earlier one.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 41]

UC:E4/1C/72 21 Jan 1697/8

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to William Smith, saying that a solution has been reached to the above problem, but also noting the problem of getting money from Waddington.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 42]

UC:E4/1C/73 7 Mar 1699/1700

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to the unnamed Bursar of University College, giving details of how much money he can send the College this year.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 43]

UC:E4/1C/74 3 Jan 1703/4

Letter (address, Sawley) from William Norton to Arthur Charlett, urging the College to appoint a curate for Hubbram chapel, which Tennant is still administering himself, and saying that he knows someone who would be suitable for the post.

[Original Reference Pyx N2 fasc. 2 no. 44]

UC:E4/1C/75 1 Feb 1729/30

Letter from William Norton (address, Knaresborough) to Francis Taylor, Bursar of University College (the letter has evidently been dictated, and then signed by Norton). Norton discusses renewing his lease on the tithes of Arncliffe.

UC:E4/2C: THE COLLEGE'S CORRESPONDENCE WITH GEORGE CROFT, AND RELATED PAPERS

George Croft was vicar of Arncliffe from 1779–1809 (see Appendix).

UC:E4/2C/1 1780

List of particulars of the living of Arncliffe, including a detailed description of the rectory house, and of the tithes due, as valued by Dr. Croft.

UC:E4/2C/2

Account of Tithes for 1780.

UC:E4/2C/3 1780s?

Note by Rev. Croft, undated, concerning his attempts to have the rectory house rebuilt at the expense of his predecessors' heirs.

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UC:E4/2C/4 1780s?

Undated anonymous note on the claims for the tithing of Arncliffe, with regard to the rights of the vicar.

UC:E4/2C/5 19 Feb 1789

Letter (address, Brewood, Staffs.) from G. Croft to an unnamed addressee (probably a Fellow of University College), giving detailed accounts of the tithes at Arncliffe, and why the living produces less money than had been expected.

UC:E4/2C/6 19 Feb 1789

Letter (address, Brewood) from G. Croft to Francis Simpson, listing his accounts for Arncliffe for the year.

UC:E4/2C/7 21 Feb 1789

Copy of a terrier of Arncliffe, sent by G. Croft to Francis Simpon at University College.

UC:E4/2C/8 26 May 1789

Letter (address, Brewood) from George Croft to Francis Simpson at University College, concerning problems with the glebe tenant at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/2C/9 1789/90

Three receipts for dues to the Archbishop of York, the Dean and Chapter of York, and the Archdeacon of York, for 1789–90.

UC:E4/2C/10 8 Oct 1791

Letter (address, Skipton) from Thomas Chippendale to G. Croft at Brewood, enclosing the values of Arncliffe tithes which he has calculated.

UC:E4/2C/11 6 Jul 1792

Agreement in Chancery confirming that certain augmentations are to be made to the Master of University College and the incumbents of the livings of Melsonby, North Cerney, Arncliffe and Headbourn Worthy from profits arising from the Linton Estate, and that the Master and the incumbents will not claim for arrears.

UC:E4/2C/12 1790s?

Undated draft of an agreement (probably 1790s) concerning the payment of some tithes from the vicar of Arncliffe to University College.

UC:E4/2C/13 24 Nov 1794

Letter (address, Austwick) from Thomas Ingleby to Mr. Tindal, Skipton, reporting on the Arncliffe tithes for the last three years (see **2C/14–15** below).

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UC:E4/2C/14 1794

Valuation of the impropriation and the vicarage of Arncliffe for 1792, 1793 and 1794 [2 sheets].

UC:E4/2C/15

Valuation of the tithes of Arncliffe, based on figures for 1792–1794.

UC:E4/2C/16 7 Dec 1794

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from James Hammond to G. Croft at Birmingham, concerning Hammond's collecting money for Croft from tithes at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/2C/17–18 14 Jan 1795 & 10 Mar 1796

Letter (address, Birmingham) from G. Croft to Francis Simpson, mainly complaining about the poor income from the parish, and an estimate of repairs wanted to Arncliffe church (apart from the Chancel) dated 10 March 1796. This was found with **2C/20–21** below in a wrapper inscribed 'Letters to and from Dr. Croft as incumbent of Arncliffe'

UC:E4/2C/19 4 Jun 1796

Letter (address, Birmingham) from G. Croft to Francis Simpson, concerning plans for rebuilding the church at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/C/20 23 Oct 1803

Letter (address, Birmingham) from G. Croft to an unnamed addressee, mainly complaining about the poor income from the parish. This was found with **2C/17–18** & **21** in a wrapper inscribed 'Letters to and from Dr. Croft as incumbent of Arncliffe'

UC:E4/2C/21 26 Oct 1804

Letter (address, Whitchurch, Bath) from G. Croft to Hugh Moises, Bursar of University College, mainly complaining about the poor income from the parish. This was found with **2C/17–18** & **20** in a wrapper inscribed 'Letters to and from Dr. Croft as incumbent of Arncliffe'

UC:E4/2C/22 2 & 23 Nov 1804

Counsel's opinion, dated 2 Nov 1804, and draft letter from Hugh Moises, Bursar (University College, 23 Nov 1804) to the Archbishop of York, concerning the right of a priest to hold two livings more than a certain distance apart. It seems that Croft had been guilty of some sharp practice over this, and the College were hoping to eject him (although the advice they had received suggested that this might not be possible).

UC:E4/2C/23 1 Feb 1810

Valuation of Arncliffe [2 sheets].

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UC:E4/3C: THE COLLEGE'S CORRESPONDENCE WITH EARDLEY NORTON, AND RELATED PAPERS

Eardley Norton, a Fellow of University College, was presented to Arncliffe in 1809, and remained its vicar until 1835. See **UC:E4/4C** for Norton's own collection of correspondence with the College, and the Appendix for more details of Norton's career.

UC:E4/3C/1 9 Dec 1816

Letter (address, Southwold) from E. Norton to George Rowley, University College, reporting that he has been made perpetual curate of Blythborough, Suffolk, and has to be re-presented to Arncliffe on account of the increase in his income.

UC:E4/3C/2 16 Mar 1821

Counsel's advice (from Charles Wetherell) on certain exemptions from tithe, in particular relating to the value of the *modus* on certain tithes, and what should be done with parishioners who remove their sheep to be shorn or to lamb to fields outside the parish.

UC:E4/3C/3 16 Nov 1826

Office copy of a hearing between Rev. Eardley Norton, plaintiff, and James Hammond, Robert Metcalfe, John Hammond, William Duckett, Robert Preston, John Burton, William Preston, Josia Mather, John Drake and John Calvert, defendants. The defendants were refusing to pay tithes to the vicar. The court judges that the case must go to trial.

UC:E4/3C/4 16 Nov 1826

Report of the judgement on the preceding case by Lord Chief Baron, who finds mainly for the plaintiff, but wished to make certain exemptions for the defendants.

UC:E4/3C/5 6 Feb 1827

Copy of a decree made by Lord Chief Baron in relation to the above case.

UC:E4/3C/6 1821–1827

Bill from M. Gregory and Son to Rev. Eardley Norton for legal fees relating to the tithes of Arncliffe (amounting to almost £1000).

UC:E4/3C/7

Another copy of **3C**/**6** above, with a receipt for payment of half the fees.

UC:E4/3C/8 n.d. (1820s?)

Note listing the parishioners of Arncliffe taken to court by Norton in the 1820s, with details of their holdings, and a note of the result of the case.

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UC:E4/3C/9 1831

Note of some lawsuits relating to the collection of tithe money (possibly in relation to Arncliffe).

UC:E4/3C/10 9 Aug 1831

Receipt for payment of £160 to University College from Eardley Norton towards legal costs in the above case.

UC:E4/3C/11 1831

Bill of costs from the defendants in the dispute between Norton, plaintiff, and Ann Foster and Richard Carr, defendants, concerning tithes at Arncliffe, 1827–1831.

UC:E4/3C/12 21 Dec 1832

Letter (address, Wax Chandler's Hall) from M.H. Gregory to E. Norton, addressed to Southwold, sending details of Norton's lawsuits against some of his parishioners for payment of tithe.

UC:E4/3C/13

Bill for Norton from M. Gregory & Sons for legal costs, 1831–1832.

UC:E4/3C/14 1833

Ditto, for 1833.

UC:E4/3C/15

Rough list of Tithes for Arncliffe compiled by Rev. E. Norton, with many annotations. Enclosed is a draft letter from Norton (Southwold, 29 May 1833) to University College.

UC:E4/4C: EARDLEY NORTON'S CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE COLLEGE

These documents were found as a bundle, with the label *Rev. E. Norton Vicar of Arncliffe.* Suits about tithes—apparently a general settlement of disputed claims 1823–1833. Also appt of Curates 1833. This bundle differs from the other papers in **UC:E4**, in that it was Norton's own collection of papers, assembled by him, rather than one made by the Bursars at University College. It is not known how the papers came to the College archives.

UC:E4/4C/1 25 May 1817

Description and account of allotments made for Rev. Norton as "curate of Arncliffe Chapel" made under the enclosure of Buckden and Starbottom, made on a pro forma document.

UC:E4/4C/2 n.d. (1820s?)

Notes, unsigned and undated, on the raising of tithes in Arncliffe.

UC:E4/4C/3 n.d. (1820s?)

Notes, unsigned and undated, on the acreages of the glebe land in Arncliffe.

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UC:E4/4C/4 12 Mar 1819

Draft letter (address, Little Hammone [?]), from Norton to the Bursar (unnamed) of University College, concerning payments to be made to him under the Linton Fund.

UC:E4/4C/5 15 Nov 1824

Copy of a report on the dispute between Norton and John Jaques.

UC:E4/4C/6 11 Jul 1826

Letter (address, Cray) from John Jacques to an unnamed addressee, listing the stock he keeps on his estate, and their titheable value.

UC:E4/4C/7-8 20 & 24 Mar 1828

Two leases for five years from Rev. Eardley Norton to John Drake (20 Mar 1828) and Anthony Sedgwick (24 Mar 1828) of the tithes payable on the lands in their occupation, in return for annual rents of £3 and £7 respectively.

UC:E4/4C/9 14 Jun 1828

Draft letter from Norton to an unnamed addressee, on tithe matters.

UC:E4/4C/10 18 Sep 1828

Notice inviting applications for renting pastures at Arncliffe attached to the glebe.

UC:E4/4C/11 23 Sep 1828

Letter (address, Skipton) from Mr. Carr (initials illegible) to Norton, concerning Norton's requests for unspecified modifications to be made to a forthcoming enclosure award.

UC:E4/4C/12 n.d. (1820s?)

List of names (in Norton's hand) of parishioners who owe money.

UC:E4/4C/13 24 Nov 1828

Draft letter from Norton, on tithe matters.

UC:E4/4C/14 18 Dec 1829

Letter (address, Wax Chandler's Hall) from Mark Gregory, Solicitors, to Norton, concerning Norton's dispute with Mr. Cockshott Jr. over payment of tithes.

UC:E4/4C/15 10 Jun 1830

Letter (address, Thornthwaite) from Welbury Milton to Norton, addressed to Edgware, Middx.. Milton is to take over as the curate of Arncliffe, and writes to Norton to settle a few last details.

UC:E4/4C/16 1 Mar 1831

Letter (address, Richmond) from Mr. Toulmin [first name illegible] to Norton, addressed to Southwold, Suffolk, concerning a dispute

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between Norton and a Mr. Calvert over Arncliffe tithes. Toulmin is writing on Calvert's behalf.

UC:E4/4C/17 4 Oct 1831

Letter (address, Cray) from E. Ayrton to Norton, reporting on various financial matters at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/4C/18 6 Mar 1832

Draft letter (address, Southwold, Suffolk) from Norton to illegible addressees concerning a forthcoming legal dispute over tithe charges.

UC:E4/4C/19 1831

Accounts of tithes from Arncliffe for 1829–1831.

UC:E4/4C/20 1831

Bill from M. Gregory and Son, solicitors, to Norton, for their services in the legal case from 1828–1831.

UC:E4/4C/21 20 Sep 1832

Draft notice to quit from Norton to an unnamed tenant.

UC:E4/4C/22 22 Dec 1832

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from W. Milton to Norton, addressed to Southwold, informing him of his appointment to another parish, and giving notice that he is leaving Arncliffe. Norton's draft reply is written on the back of this letter.

UC:E4/4C/23 before 28 Dec 1832

Petition signed by parishioners of Arncliffe and sent to Norton (received by him 28 Dec 1832) asking that the Rev. J. Fox of Harewood in Leeds should become the new curate of the parish.

UC:E4/4C/24 n.d. (after 28 Dec 1832)

Draft letter, undated, from Norton to the churchwardens and parishioners of Arncliffe, replying to their petition that he appoint a Mr. Fox curate of Arncliffe.

UC:E4/4C/25-26 4 Jan 1833

Letter (address, Harewood) from James Fox to Norton, addressed to Southwold, thanking him for the conditional offer of the curacy at Arncliffe, and naming some referees whom Norton may contact. Norton's draft reply is enclosed.

UC:E4/4C/27 14 Jan 1833

Draft letter (address, Southwold) from Norton to an unnamed Fellow of University College, concerning settling bills outstanding from his legal dispute with his parishioners.

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UC:E4/4C/28 19 Jan 1833

Letter (address, Harewood) from James Fox to Norton, addressed to Southwold, thanking him for appointing him curate at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/4C/29 28 Jan 1833

Letter (address, University College) from F.C. Plumptre, then Bursar, to Norton, addressed to Southwold, concerning making Norton a payment.

UC:E4/4C/30 28 Jun 1833

Letter (address, Ripon) from W. Milton (who is vacating the curacy at Arncliffe) to Norton, addressed to Southwold, asking for payment of a promised extra fee, and warning Norton about Mr. Fox's drink problem.

UC:E4/4C/31 6 Mar 1833

Letter (address, Wax Chandlers Hall, London) from M.H. Gregory, solicitors, to Norton, enclosing a bill for back-payment of tithes awarded Norton under the recent court case.

UC:E4/4C/32 9 Sep 1833

Draft letter (address, Southwold) from Norton to E. Ayrton, concerning making a payment to Rev. Milton, and the state of the barn in the vicarage field.

UC:E4/4C/33 2 Nov 1833

Letter (address, Cray) from E. Ayrton to Norton, addressed to Southwold, reporting on financial matters at Arncliffe. On the back of the letter is Norton's draft reply, dated 20 Dec 1833.

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William Boyd was Vicar of Arncliffe from 1835–1893. See the Appendix for more details about him.

UC:E4/5C/1 n.d. (late 1830s?)

Letter (no address or date—probably late 1830s) from William Boyd to F.C. Plumptre, concerning problems in getting measurements of fields at Arncliffe, and reporting on the condition of his house there, and his taking on a pupil.

UC:E4/5C/2-3 14 Apr & 6 Jun 1864

Two letters from W. Boyd (address, Arncliffe), respectively to P.G. Medd and F.C. Plumptre, concerning an offer of £20 from the College to Hubberholme church, and the gift of a communion table.

UC:E4/5C/4-7 7 Jun-6 Aug 1882

Four letters (address, Arncliffe) from W. Boyd, vicar of Arncliffe to C.J. Faulkner (some annotated by Faulkner), concerning tithe payments.

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UC:E4/5C/8 1 Nov 1886

Letter (Arncliffe Rectory) from William Boyd to the Master of University College on repairs to the Chancel, with an account of its restoration in the 1840s.

UC:E4/5C/9-12 Feb-Apr 1843

Three letters from William Boyd (address, Arncliffe) and a copy of a letter to him from F. C. Plumptre, on the matter of University College offering a grant of £50 towards the rebuilding of Arncliffe Church.

UC:E4/6C: MISCELLANEOUS 19th CENTURY CORRESPONDENCE

UC:E4/6C/1 3 Jun 1835

Letter (address, Wax Chandlers Hall) from M.H. Gregory, solicitors, to F.C. Plumptre, listing people against whom proceedings have been taken for the payment of tithes.

UC:E4/6C/2 27 Jun 1835

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from Henry Glaister to William Glaister, Fellow of University College, concerning arranging tithe payments at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/6C/3 May 1836

Bill from Henry Glaister for work relating to purchasing the advowson of Lockington, 1833–1835.

UC:E4/6C/4 c.1838

Copy of a petition to the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes from Henry Glaister concerning a possible prosecution allegedly for giving receipts on unstamped paper, which he claims was a lie circulated by Thomas Marshall, a tenant of Linton on Ouse, whom Glaister had ejected. See also **UC:E4/6C/27** below.

UC:E4/6C/5 14 Jun 1838

Copy of a subpoena to Henry Glaister to appear to answer the charges against him.

UC:E4/6C/6 29 Aug 1838

Pro forma subpoena issued in the dispute over Henry Glaister's allegedly having issued unstamped receipts.

UC:E4/6C/7 n.d. (1830s?)

Undated receipt for payment to Travers Twiss, Bursar of University College.

UC:E4/6C/8 22 Jan 1839

Letter (address, Bedale) from Henry Glaister to the unnamed Bursar of University College, concerning his accounts for Arncliffe and Linton.

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UC:E4/6C/9 4 May 1839

Letter (address, Bedale) from C.J. Herring to the unnamed Bursar of University College, concerning problems in assessing Arncliffe for a forthcoming commutation of tithes.

UC:E4/6C/10 7 Sep 1839

Letter(address, Bedale) from Henry Glaister to the Bursar of University College concerning a plan to merge the tithes at Linton, and the tenants of glebe land at Arncliffe [found in an envelope with 6C/13 below].

UC:E4/6C/11 12 Jul 1841

Letter (address, Bedale) from Henry Glaister to an unnamed Bursar of University College, reporting on accounts at Linton and at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/6C/12 3 Jan 1845

Letter (address, Bedale) from Henry Glaister to the unnamed Bursar of University College, concerning tithe accounts for Arncliffe and Linton.

UC:E4/4C/13 5 Jan 1846

Letter (address, Bedale) from Henry Glaister to the unnamed Bursar of University College, complaining at the difficulty of getting tithes from the "stupid ignorant proud little freeholders" of Arncliffe [found in an envelope with **6C/10** above].

UC:E4/6C/14 12 May 1847

Letter (address, Easingwold) from John Haxby to an unnamed addressee concerning the possibility of redeeming the tithes at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/6C/15–18 22 Jun 1849–21 Mar 1850

Four letters (address, Settle; dated 22 Jun 1849, and 30 Jan, 10 & 21 Mar 1850) from George Hartley, solicitor for landowners of Arncliffe, to the College, concerning changes in the payment of tithe in Arncliffe, and proposing that the landowners make a single payment to redeem certain tithe charges, which the College seems to have accepted.

UC:E4/6C/19 4 Nov 1864

Letter (address, Easingwold) from John Haxby to an unnamed addressee (the Bursar of University College?), concerning the rents at Linton and Arncliffe, with a draft account for Arncliffe.

UC:E4/6C/20 29 Jun 1877

Notes made by G.G. Bradley, Master of University College, following a visit to Arncliffe.

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UC:E4/6C/21 13 Aug 1882–27 Jan 1883

Bundle of papers relating to pursuing defaulters in tithe payments in Arncliffe, comprising a list of defaulters, dated Dec 1882, and correspondence between Robinson, Faulkner, and some defaulters, namely Richard Holgate, W. Knowles, Col. George Garnett Orme, James Spenser and Thomas Spenser. Several parishioners were refusing to pay their tithes at the altered time of year, and Faulkner was having difficulty persuading them to change their minds [27 items].

UC:E4/6C/22 23 Sep 1882

Letter (address 6 New Square, Lincoln's Inn) from Cookson, Wainewright and Pennington, solicitors, to C.F. Faulkner, concerning calculating the tithe rent for Hawkswick.

UC:E4/6C/23 12 Nov 1882

Copy of letter (addresss, Arncliffe) from James Hammond to O. Robinson refusing to pay his tithes, with a sharp reply drafted by C.F. Faulkner at the bottom.

UC:E4/6C/24 9–14 Dec 1882

Envelope inscribed *Arnclffe Tithe 1882*, containing:

- (i) Copy of the Tithe Apportionment for Buckden (in the parish of Arncliffe, made in 1844).
- (ii) Correspondence between C.J. Faulkner and Cookson, Wainewright and Pennington, solicitors, concerning the right of the College to claim arrears on some tithes in Buckden, 9 and 14 Dec 1882 [2 items].

[UC:E4/6C/25–6 were found in 2011 among papers relating to the College's lands at Pontefract]

UC:E4/6C/25 n.d. (1836?)

Letter to Travers Twiss from Peter Hansell on payments made to William Boyd during his first year as vicar of Arncliffe (where he was appointed in 1835).

UC:E4/6C/26 15 Nov 1865

Letter from W. R. Metcalfe (address, Hubberholme) to J. Haxby, thanking him for sending a grant from University College.

UC:E4/6C/27 4 Jun 1838

Letter from Henry Glaister (address, Bedales) to the Bursar of University College. Glaister explains in some detail that he has transmitted money from Arncliffe and Linton to the College's banker, and suggests that further papers may be with his bother William, now at Beckley.

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UC:E4/7C/2–4 were found in an envelope inscribed *Sale of Advowson—Case for Council* 1894.

UC:E4/7C/1 9 Nov 1893–4 Apr 1895

Envelope inscribed *Correspondence with Shuffrey 1894*, containing correspondence relating to William Shuffrey, Vicar of Arncliffe 1893–1916. Shuffrey had bought the advowson of Arncliffe, and there was some dispute about how much land he was entitled to as vicar, as opposed to rector. In particular, the College disputed Shuffrey's automatic claim to the glebe land of Arncliffe, but proved itself willing to convey it to him as vicar, which was duly done. There is also some correspondence relating to repairs on the chancel ceiling. Correspondents include A. Dendy, E.J. Payne, Shuffrey, and solicitors representing both parties [45 items].

UC:E4/7C/2 c. 1894

List of documents relating to the tithes of Arncliffe, mainly leases.

UC:E4/7C/3 c.1894

Copy, made c.1894, of terriers of Arncliffe, and relevant extracts from the Enclosure Award for Arncliffe of 1766.

UC:E4/7C/4 4 Jun 1894

Case and Counsel's Opinion concerning whether Rev. W.A. Shuffrey, Vicar of Arncliffe, has a right to claim certain lands and rights as his, now that he is the new owner of the advowson of Arncliffe, it proving difficult to disentangle the rights of the owner of the advowson and the lay rector, these having been both in the College's possession since the 1440s. Dated 4 Jun 1894.

UC:E4/8C: LATER CORRESPONDENCE ON ARNCLIFFE AND HUBBERHOLME

UC:E4/8C/1–9 were found in an envelope inscribed *Corporate: Yorkshire Arncliffe 1891 re tithe; 1899 re school; 1910(?) Re Church; 1902 Hubberholme and 1905 endowment; 1906 Oughtershaw (refused); 1908/9 closing of PH (better for all if it had been carried out).*

UC:E4/8C/1 22 Oct 1891

Letter (address, Arncliffe) from W.A. Shuffrey to the Bursar of University College concerning a tithe at Halton Gill.

UC:E4/8C/2 10 Jan & 15 Apr 1899

Two letters from James Hammond (Arncliffe, 10 Jan and 15 Apr 1899) to James Bright concerning the school at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/8C/3 29 Aug-23 Nov 1902 & 30 May 1905

Four letters, with enclosures, from Trevor Basil Woodd (address, 16 Eccleston Street, London; dated 29 Aug 20 Oct and 23 Nov, 1902,

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and 30 May 1905) to unnamed members of University College concerning raising the vicar's stipend at Hubberholme [6 items in all].

UC:E4/8C/4 26 Mar & 6 Aug 1906

Two letters (address, Hubberholme) from R. F. R. Anderton, vicar of Hubberholme, to A.B. Poynton, asking the College to make a contribution towards building work at Oughtershaw school.

UC:E4/8C/5 6 Apr 1908

Letter (address, Hubberholme) from R. F. R. Anderton to A.B. Poynton concerning insuring the chancel at Hubberholme church.

UC:E4/8C/6 19–20 Mar 1908 & 25 Oct 1909

Three letters from R.F.R. Anderton (address, Hubberholme; dated 19 Mar 1908 and 25 Oct 1909) and Trevor Basil Wood (address,16 Eccleston Street; dated 20 Mar 1908) to Poynton concerning raising money to prevent the closure of the George Inn at Hubberholme.

UC:E4/8C/7 1909/10?

Four letters (address, Arncliffe; dated 10 Apr, 29 Sep. 31 Oct and 10 Feb; years not given but suggested as 1909/10) from W.A. Shuffrey to the Bursar of University College concerning repairs to the chancel and church at Arncliffe.

UC:E4/8C/8

Four letters (address, Arncliffe; dated 16 Jan, 14 Mar, and 2 of 25 Mar; year not given on any, but found with letters from Anderton dated 1911), from W.A. Shuffrey to A.B. Poynton, concerning the possibility of raising money to fund a curate to help him administer the churches at Arncliffe and Stratton Gill.

UC:E4/8C/9 Mar 1911

Three letters (address, Hubberholme; dated 18, 22 & 25 Mar 1911) from R.F.R. Anderton to Poynton, with two replies from Poynton (dated 26 Mar 1911) concerning grants made by the College to Hubberholme.

UC:E4/8C/10 3 Jun-8 Nov 1920

Bundle of correspondence concerning the proposed sale of land at Arncliffe owned by University College to a Mr. Walker [10 items]

UC:E4/8C/11 26 Mar 1920–28 Apr 1921

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Hubberholme Linton*, containing correspondence with the vicars of all three parishes, namely Herbert Edwards (Arncliffe; subjects include the bankruptcy of Edwards' his predecessor as vicar there, who had moved to Hubberholme; There are also some letters from W.A. Shuffrey, former vicar of Arncliffe), Joseph Chaplin (Hubberholme; subjects include the endowment of the benefice; there are also some letters from Trevor Basil Woodd), and D. Nickerson and Edward Peter (Linton; subjects include the

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former's departure from Linton and payment to the latter for church repairs) [18 items].

UC:E4/8C/12 17 Nov 1928–23 Feb 1934

Bundle of miscellaneous correspondence relating to the College's dealings with vicars of Arncliffe. Subjects include the vicar's stipend, appeals for buildings in the parish (including the church itself). Correspondents include W.A. Shuffrey, Arthur Price and Basil Robinson [29 items].

UC:E4/8C/13 22 Mar 1932–24 Mar 1934

Loose bundle of correspondence relating to the College's dealings with vicars of Hubberholme. Subjects include the George Inn at Hubberholme, and proposed increases in the vicar's stipend. Correspondents include Joseph. Chaplin, Ernest John Jones, F.H.P. Clermont de Costobadie (all vicars of Hubberholme), and Trevor Basil Woodd [21 items].

There are some papers on Arncliffe tithes in the unsorted papers in tithes from the 1930s.

UC:E4/9C: 18th-CENTURY LETTER GIVEN BY REV. W.A. SHUFFREY

William Arthur Shuffrey was Vicar of Arncliffe from 1893–1916. It is not known how this letter came into his hands.

UC:E4/9C/1-3 14 Jun 1765

Letter (address University College) from Nathan Wetherell to Mr. Hammond (address Arncliffe), expressing his pleasure that Henry Tennant has been made Vicar of Arncliffe, and hoping that his tenure will be a successful one. He also asks that the Churchwardens pay themselves for communion bread and wine.

With this letter is one from W.A. Shuffrey (12 Lathbury Road, Oxford, 26 Dec 1928) to A.B. Poynton, presenting the document to the College (it is presumed that he found it among his papers after leaving Arncliffe), and a note from Michael Sadler on the document.

UC:E4/1M: MAP

UC:E4/1M/1 n.d. (late 18th – early 19th cent.?)

Sketch map of the Rectory Field and Well Close, owned by University College. Undated—probably late 18th or early 19th cent.

UC:E4/1F: BOOKS OF TITHE ACCOUNTS

UC:E4/1F/1 1832

Booklet containing sums of tithes agreed on for the parish of Arncliffe for the villages of Buckden, Halton Gill, Litton, and Hawkswick, and a valuation of the tithes made in April 1814 for Halton Gill, Hawkswick, Litton, Yockenthwaite and Hubberholme.

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UC:E4/1F/2 1836

Booklet containing tithe valuations for the parish of Arncliffe for the villages of Buckden, Halton Gill, Litton, and Hawkswick.

UC:E4/1F/3

Booklet containing tithe valuations for the parish of Arncliffe for the same villages as above.

UC:E4/2F: 19th CENTURY ACCOUNTS FROM ARNCLIFFE

In the 19th century, the College ceased to farm the rectory of Arncliffe out to a tenant; instead they employed the services of a land agent to collect the tithes. These agents sent the College yearly accounts of the tithes. Three of the agents used at this time were Henry Glaister, John Haxby and Octavius Robinson.

UC:E4/2F/1 May 1836

General Account for Arncliffe, May 1836.

UC:E4/2F/2 Jan 1839

General Account for Arncliffe, Jan 1839.

UC:E4/2F/3 Jan 1841

General Account for Arncliffe, Jan 1841. See **UC:E4/2F/38** for the account for Arncliffe from Jan 1842.

UC:E4/2F/4 1842/3

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe 1842–3*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Feb 1843, an enclosing letter from Henry Glaister, 23 Jan 1843, and an second letter from Glaister, 23 Jun 1843.

UC:E4/2F/5 Jan 1844

General Account for Arncliffe, Jan 1844.

UC:E4/2F/6 1851

Yearly accounts for the tithes of Arncliffe, for 1851.

UC:E4/2F/7

Yearly accounts for the tithes of Arncliffe, for 1852.

UC:E4/2F/8 1853

Yearly accounts for the tithes of Arncliffe, for 1853.

UC:E4/2F/9

Yearly accounts for the tithes of Arncliffe, for 1854.

UC:E4/2F/10 1855

Yearly accounts for the tithes of Arncliffe, for 1855.

UC:E4/2F/11 Feb 1855

General Account for Arncliffe, Feb 1855.

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UC:E4/2F/12 Mar 1860

General Account for Arncliffe, Mar 1860.

UC:E4/2F/13 Mar 1861

General Account for Arncliffe, Mar 1861, and receipts for payments to the vicar of Hubberholme and Arncliffe School.

UC:E4/2F/14 Feb 1862

General Account for Arncliffe, Feb 1862, with a letter from W. Boyd (Arncliffe, 21 Dec 1861) concerning the College's tenant John Lodge, and an estimate for lime to be delivered to Lodge's Farm, and receipts for payments to the vicar of Hubberholme and Arncliffe School.

UC:E4/2F/15 Feb 1863

General Account for Arncliffe, Feb 1863.

UC:E4/2F/16 Dec 1863

General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1863, and receipts for payments to the vicar of Hubberholme and Arncliffe School and elsewhere [5 items].

UC:E4/2F/17 1864

General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1864, with two letters (address Arncliffe, 31 Oct and 19 Nov 1864) from W. Boyd (the then vicar of Arncliffe), respectively concerning a College tenant, Mr. Lodge, and endowing the living of Hubberholme, as well as a list of tithe rent charges due to the College in 1864, and a receipt for payment to the vicar of Hubberholme.

UC:E4/2F/18 1865

General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1865.

UC:E4/2F/19 1866

General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1866.

UC:E4/2F/20 1867

General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1867, an enclosing letter from John Haxby, 6 Dec 1867, and receipts for payments to the vicar of Hubberholme and Arncliffe School.

UC:E4/2F/21 1868

General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1868, with a receipt for payment to the vicar of Hubberholme.

UC:E4/2F/22

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe 1869*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1869, an enclosing letter from John Haxby, 19 Dec 1869, and a bundle of receipts for payments made by University

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College over the preceding year to the vicar of Hubberholme, Arncliffe school and for local rates and taxes [22 items].

UC:E4/2F/23 1870/1

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Dec 1870*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1870, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [16 items].

UC:E4/2F/24 1871/2

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Tithes 1871–2*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1871, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [17 items].

UC:E4/2F/25 1872/3

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe 1872–3*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1872, an enclosing letter from John Haxby, 6 Dec 1872, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [17 items].

UC:E4/2F/26 1873/4

Envelope inscribed 1873–4 Arncliffe, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1873, an enclosing letter from John Haxby, 10 Dec 1873, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [18 items].

UC:E4/2F/27 1874/5

Envelope inscribed 1874–5 Arncliffe, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1874, an enclosing letter from John Haxby, 8 Dec 1874, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [17 items].

UC:E4/2F/28 1875/6

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe July 1875*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Jan 1876, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [17 items].

UC:E4/2F/29 Dec 1876

Octavius Robinson's account with University College for 1876, with an accompanying letter from him to C.J. Faulkner. Also enclosed are a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [18 items].

UC:E4/2F/30 Dec 1877

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Tithes 1 year July 1877*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1877, an enclosing letter from Octavius Robinson, 16 Dec 1877, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [14 items].

UC:E4/2F/31 Dec 1878

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Tithes 1 year July 1878*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Dec 1878, an enclosing letter from Octavius Robinson, 19 Dec 1877, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [16 items].

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UC:E4/2F/32 Mar 1880

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Tithes and Rent one year to July 1879*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Mar 1880, an enclosing letter from O. Robinson dated 3 March 1880, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [19 items].

UC:E4/2F/33 1880–1881

An envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Tithe Account 1880–1*, containing the following:

- (i) 4 letters (6 May–28 Jun 1881) from Octavius Robinson (address, Easingwold) to Charles Faulkner on collecting tithes at Arncliffe, and his difficulties in so doing.
- (ii) List of arrears in tithe payments for June 1881.
- (iii) Robinson's account with the College for one year's tithe to 2 July 1880.
- (iv-v) Robinson's draft and final account with the College for half a year's tithe to 1 Jan 1881.
- (vi) Envelope containing a letter from Robinson (address, Easingwold) to Charles Faulkner, on collecting tithes, with a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [20 items].

UC:E4/2F/34 Jul 1882

An envelope labelled *Arncliffe Tithes due Jan. 1 1882*, containing the following:

- (i) List of people in arrears with their tithe payments, as of Jul 1882.
- (ii) Bundle of letters written to C.J. Faulkner from tithe-payers in arrears, with notes of his replies. The writers are Thomas Cowan, George Easterby, Thomas Ingleby, Richard Lodge, Joseph Thwaite, dated 12 & 17–18 Jul 1882 [7 items]
- (iii) Three letters from Octavius Robinson (address Easingwold), to Charles Faulkner, concerning tithe payments, 8–15 Jul 1882.
- (iv) Letter from W. Boyd (address illegible) to C.J. Faulkner, on the whereabouts of tithe documents in Arncliffe Church, 14 Jul 1882.
- (v) Five draft letters from C.J. Faulkner, sent to unnamed defaulters in tithe payments, Jul 1882 [17 items in all].

UC:E4/2F/35 Apr–Jun 1882

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe Tithes 1 year to Jan 1 1882*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, Apr 1882; letters between O. Robinson and C.J. Faulkner on problems of collecting tithes this year, mainly due to a change in the time for payment, with a cutting from the *Craven Herald* of 4 March 1882 reporting on this change, 13 Apr–12 Jun 1882 [8 items]; and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [26 items].

UC:E4/2F/36 May 1883

Envelope inscribed *Arncliffe 1882–3*, containing the General Account for Arncliffe, May 1883, an enclosing letter from Octavius Robinson,

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5 May 1883, and a bundle of receipts similar to those in **2F/22** [14 items].

UC:E4/2F/37 1891

Tithe Account for Arncliffe for July 1891, paid in Feb 1892.

UC:E4/2F/38 1 Jan 1842

Rental and account for Arncliffe for 1841. [This was found in 2011 among papers relating to the College's lands at Pontefract]

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APPENDIX: VICARS OF ARNCLIFFE FROM 1394

This list of Vicars is mainly based on that in W.A. Shuffrey, *The Churches of the Deanery of North Craven*, (Leeds 1914), pp.11 ff., with extra material mainly provided from Emden's *Biographical Register of the University of Oxford (BRUO)*, J. Foster's *Alumni Oxonienses (Al. Oxon.)*, the College Register of University College (CR), the Admissions Register of University College and W.A. Shuffrey, (ed.) *The registers of the ancient parish of Arncliffe, including those of Halton Gill and Hubbenholme, 1663-1812* (Bradford 1910).

1394 Thomas de Newton

Thomas was last Rector of Arncliffe before the Rectory was given to University College. He seems to have had no Oxford links (he is not mentioned in *BRUO*).

7 Oct 1451 William Dixon

No Oxford links are known (he is not mentioned in BRUO).

11 Feb 1471 Ralph. Thompson

No Oxford links are known (he is not mentioned in *BRUO*).

3 Aug 1472 Richard Fawcett

No Oxford links known (he is not mentioned in BRUO).

9 Nov 1500 Edmund Crofton

Crofton (spelled Croxton in *BRUO*) was Principal of Brasenose Hall in 1501–1502 and at later times until his death on 27 Jan 1508. In addition to being vicar of Arncliffe, he held the following posts: rector of Bucknell, Oxon., 1498–1503; vicar of Caversfield, Oxon., before 1501; vicar of Kidlington, Oxon., 1503–1505; rector of Winwick, Northants., 1505–1508; canon of Lincoln and prebendary of Biggleswade, 1506–1508. A memorial brass to him still exists in St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford (all from *BRUO*). Although Crofton/Croxton was never a Fellow (or, so far as is known, a Commoner either) of University College, the College owned the freehold on Brasenose Hall at this time, which may explain his appointment.

9 Dec 1506 John Lethum

John Lethum was a Fellow of University College between 1493/4 and 1506/7. He was vicar of Faringdon, Berks., in 1501, and was presented to Arncliffe in 1506, remaining in both posts until his death in 1509. His will is dated 14 Feb 1509 (*BRUO*). Lethum is the first Fellow of University to become vicar of Arncliffe.

19 Mar 1508/9 Edmund Collyer

Collyer was a Fellow of University College by 1504/5, and is last recorded there in 1507/8. He was admitted to Arncliffe on 19 Mar 1508/9, and remained there until he died before June 1517 (*BRUO*).

9 Jun 1517 Christopher Ellison

Ellison had no links with University College, or indeed with Oxford, so far as is known. It is, however, possible that he was related to George Ellison below.

9 Oct 1552 George Ellison

Ellison was elected a Fellow of University College on 1 May 1543 (CR), and was elected Master of the College on 30 Nov 1551 (CR). He became Rector of the mediety of Burnsall, Yorks., on 25 Sept 1551 (*BRUO*), and vicar of Arncliffe in 1552, all in plurality with his Mastership. He died on 30 May 1557 (*BRUO*).

1558 Thomas Wilson

20 Nov 1551: Thomas Wilson elected a Fellow of University College on 20 Nov 1551 (CR). The College Register also says that on 11 Nov 1557: "dominus" Wilson, Fellow of the College, was made vicar of Arncliffe. Thomas appears to

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have been the only Wilson who was Fellow of the College at that date, and he was certainly just young enough not yet to have his MA ("dominus" being a term used to describe someone who was a BA).

[no date given; after 1561] Anthony Topham

Neither Anthony nor Henry Topham seem to have had any prior link with University College, or indeed Oxford in general before being elected vicars of Arncliffe (neither man appears in *Al. Oxon.*). However, the College Register reports that on 23 Feb 1560/1, the College granted to Robert Wright, yeoman, and his heirs the next two presentations of the living of Arncliffe. Anthony Topham therefore must have been appointed by Wright, and Henry Topham likewise.

27 Oct 1585 Henry Topham 5 Jul 1608 Arthur Coldcoll

Arthur Coldcoll matriculated at University College on 4 Feb 1591/2 aged 16, getting a BA on 4 Jun 1594 and an MA on 22 April 1597 (*Al. Oxon.*). The College accounts for 1595/6 and 1596/7 record him as renting a room there. He was elected Fellow 6 Dec 1597, and resigned on 14 Aug 1608 (CR). *Al. Oxon.* also says that he was licenced to preach on 9 July 1606, and became rector of Plumpton, Northants., in 1604. No source yet indicated when he ceased to be vicar. Shuffrey, p. 17, notes that Arthur Coldcote was still in office in 1650, when he was described as a "preaching minister", and allowed to retain his job. Since his age at matriculation gives a birth date of 1575/6, it is quite possible that he stayed there until 1658/9, dying in office an octogenarian.

The spelling of Coldcoll's surname has been a cause of some confusion: Whitlock's *The History and Antiquities of the Deanery of Craven* spells it Coldwell; Shuffrey in *The Churches of the Deanery of Craven* Coldcote, which is supported by references to him in the University College Bursars' Accounts from the 1590s; the College Register spells him Colcoll; but Foster spells him Coldcoll, which is how the one example of his autograph signature in this collection (**UC:E4/1C/1**) spells it, so this version is followed here.

Marmaduke Lambert

Marmaduke Lambert matriculated at University College on 2 Jun 1652 (*Al. Oxon.*). He was elected to a Freeston exhibition³ on 14 Jan 1652/3; then elected to a major Freeston exhibition on 29 Mar 1656 (CR). He became a BA on 30 Jan 1655/6, and an MA on 6 July 1658 (*Al. Oxon.*). He was elected a Skirlaw Fellow on 22 Jul 1657, and then presented to Arncliffe on 27 Aug 1659 (CR). The College register says that Lambert had resigned before July 1661. He was deprived of his Fellowship at University College in August 1660 (**UC:GB1/X3/4**).

13 Aug 1661 Josiah Lambert.

Josiah Lambert was elected to be vicar of Arncliffe on 21 Jul 1661 (CR). The Arncliffe parish register says he was buried on 31 Oct 1681. Lambert appears to have had no previous link with University College, or with Oxford in general (he is not mentioned in *Al. Oxon.*). The CR entry says that he had been recommended to the College by Richard March, Dean, and Thomas Bradley and Antony Elcocke, Prebendaries, of York, which suggests that he was

³ An exhibition is analogous to a scholarship, in being an award elected to students at University College. Sometimes the awards were made quite late on in a student's career.

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not known to the College, and that the College had no internal candidate for the vacancy.

13 Mar 1682 Miles Tennant

"Mylo Tennant", son of John Tennant of Buckden, Yorks. (a village within the parish of Arncliffe), signed the College's Admissions Register in August 1677. He was a servitor (a class of poor student who partly paid his way through carrying out some servant's duties), which suggests his father was not well off. *Al. Oxon* says he was aged 18 in 1677, and took his BA on 8 Mar 1680/1. Miles Tennant had been a Hearne Scholar at University College, and resigned this post, when he was elected to the parish on 23 Dec 1681, following Lambert's death (CR). He was never a Fellow of the College, and was probably appointed vicar so young because of his local links. The Arncliffe parish register says he was buried there on 24 Dec 1732.

11 May 1733 Thomas Kay

Kay signed the Admissions Register of University College on 10 Feb 1721/2, writing that he was the son of William Kay, of Newton, Yorks., Gent., and was aged 16 years. He was a servitor. He got his BA on Mar 1726 and his MA on 3 Jul 1728. Kay was elected a Fellow on 29 Nov 1729 (CR). The Register does not record his appointment as vicar of Arncliffe; in any case, it seems that he was resident in Oxford throughout his tenure. He resigned the vicarage in November 1736, and his Fellowship in the following year (CR).

According to an inscription in the church there, a Thomas Kaye was appointed to another College living in Yorkshire, at Melsonby on 11 Jun 1736. There is no mention of this in the College Register, but this could well be the same man, exchanging Arncliffe for a more profitable parish.

1737 John T. Chapman

John Chapman, son of John Chapman of Stanbridge, Yorks., signed the Admissions Register on 16 Mar 1718/9 aged 19 years. He took his BA on 13 Oct 1722. He had been a Freeston scholar, but was not elected Fellow (CR). He was made Vicar of Arncliffe on 12 Nov 1736, made vacant *per cessionem* of Master Kay (CR). The Arncliffe parish register says Chapman was buried on 8 Nov 1764.

30 Apr 1765 Henry Tennant

Henry Tennant signed the Admissions Register of University College on 10 February 1721/2, writing that he was the eldest son of Miles Tennant of Arncliffe, Yorks., Clerk (i.e. Miles Tennant, vicar of Arncliffe as above), and was aged 18 years. He took his BA on 14 Oct 1725 and his MA on 17 Dec 1729. He was elected a Fellow on 29 Nov 1729 (CR), and retained his Fellowship for many years, albeit being largely non-resident, until 1 May 1765, when he was given a year's grace⁴, his successor being elected on 7 Aug 1766 (CR). **UC:EB1/A1/4** pp.75–6 is a copy of the presentation of Henry Tennant, Fellow of University College, to the living of Arncliffe on 12 April 1765. The College Register says that he died on 23 Jun 1779, and the Arncliffe parish register says he was buried on 26 Jun 1779.

11 Dec 1779 George Croft

⁴ Fellows of University College were frequently given a year's notice from announcing their intention to resign from the College.



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George Croft signed the Admissions Register at University College on 23 Oct 1762, writing that he was the second son of Samuel Croft "plebeius" of Skipton, Yorks., and that he was aged 15. He took his BA on 16 Feb 1768, his MA on 2 Jun 1769, his BD on 19 Jan 1780, and DD on 21 Jan 1780. He was elected to a minor Freeston exhibition on 9 May 1768, and elected and admitted a Fellow on 16 Jul 1772 and 16 Jan 1773 respectively (CR). He was also elected to a Lodge Exhibition on 16 Dec 1773 and to a minor Freeston exhibition on 22 Mar 1777 (CR). He was instituted as vicar of Arncliffe on 11 Dec 1779, and resigned his Fellowship on 11 Dec 1780 (CR). Croft's death is recorded as being on 11 May 1809 (CR).

A biographical sketch of Croft may be found in W.A. Shuffrey, *Some Craven Worthies* (London, 1903), pp. 154–179. These show that he came from humble origins, yet rose to became Headmaster of Beverley Grammar School in 1768–1779. In 1779–1791 he was Headmaster of the Grammar School of Brewood, Staffs., and in 1791 he moved to Birmingham where he became Lecturer of St. Martin's Church and Chaplain at St. Bartholemews. He also delivered the Bampton Lectures in Oxford in 1786. Unsurprisingly, he almost never visited Arncliffe, living mainly first in Brewood and then Birmingham.

1809 Eardley Norton AM

Eardley Norton signed the Admissions Register at University College on 24 October 1801, writing that he was the eldest son of Eardley Norton of London., Esq, and was aged 19 years. He took his BA on 20 Jun 1805 and his MA on 16 Jun 1808. He was elected to a Bennet Exhibition on 21 Mar 1806, and then to a Bennet Fellowship on 11 Dec 1806, being admitted a Fellow on 11 Jun 1807(CR). UC:EB1/A1/4 p.442 is a copy of the presentation of Eardley Norton, Fellow of University College, to the living of Arncliffe, 25 Oct 1809, but the College register says he was instituted there on 30 Oct 1809, and granted a year's leave. His successor was elected on 21 Feb 1811 (CR). His death is recorded on 28 Jan 1835 (CR). Norton was also largely non-resident, spending most of his time in Suffolk.

19 Jun 1835 William Boyd MA Archdeacon

William Boyd signed the Admissions Register at University College on 29 Jun 1827, writing that he was the second son of William Boyd of Newcastle upon Tyne, Esq., and was aged 18 years. He got a Third in Literae Humaniores in Easter 1831. He took his BA on 13 May 1831, and his MA on 23 Jan 1844. Boyd was elected a Fellow on 18 Jun 1833 (CR). He is recorded as being instituted at Arncliffe on 23 Jun 1835, and given a year's leave, and his successor was elected on 3 Dec 1836 (CR).

Unlike his predecessors, Boyd made a point of living in Arncliffe, becoming Rural Dean of North Craven in 1847, and Archdeacon of Craven in 1880. In his later years, he acquired the nickname "the Patriarch of the Dales", and seems to have been regarded with great affection by his parishioners and others. Warm personal tributes are paid to him in William Boyd Carpenter, *Some Pages of my Life* (London, 1911), pp.212–219 (Boyd Carpenter was Boyd's Bishop in his later years), and W.A. Shuffrey, *Some Craven Worthies* pp.247–285. In W. Boyd and W.A. Shuffrey, *Littondale: past and present* (Leeds 1893), Boyd himself wrote an amusing account of his first visit to Arncliffe in 1835 (when, after the death of Norton, he had been sent by the College to report on the parish), giving some idea of its remoteness at this date.

Feb 1893 William A. Shuffrey

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Shuffrey had been appointed Vicar of Halton Gill on 29 Jul 1881. He had purchased the advowson of Arncliffe from University College in 1888.

1916 Joseph Meredith Baldwin Chaplin

22 Aug 1919 Herbert Edward LTh.

29 Feb 1924 Arthur Price MA

1930 Basil Cautley Robinson

1939 Gordon George Lane MA

15 Aug 1950 Leonard Christie AKC

18 Apr 1953 Richard Hugh Thorman MA
14 Mar 1975 John Michael Potter ALCD Priest in Charge
14 Jan 1979 Canon Maurice Basil Slaughter MA Priest in Charge

4 Jan 1983 Ernest Desmond Blanchard BA