

RIBBLESDALE.

PERCY FEE.

PARISH OF THORNTON.*

THORNTON stands in a dry and healthy situation, on the slope and summit of a green hill, commanding views in every direction. The parish consists of the townships of Thornton, Eureby [now Earby], and Kelbrook, which are so many manors, though they have never been separated from the earliest times, but have passed together and in succession through the families of Percy, Kyme, Muncey, Roos, Pilkington, Manners, Lister, and Kay. The church is rectorial, † dedicated to St. Oswald, or, according to another account, to All Saints [also to St. Mary; Rev. Jas. Raine, in vol. ii. p. 189 of *Journal of Yorkshire Arch. Asso.*], and is valued in the king's books at 19*l.* 5*s.* 2½*d.*

It is thus noticed in Domesday :—

IN CRAVE.

TERRA ROGERI PICTAVIENSIS. †

᠓ In Torentune . ᠑᠗ Alcolm . III . ca᠙ ad g᠗d.

᠓ In Eurebi ᠑᠗ Alcolme III . ca᠙ ad g᠗d.

᠓ In alia Eurebi Alcolme . II . ca᠙ 7 vi . bo ad g᠗d.

TERRA WILLIELMI DE PERCY IN CRAVE.

.II. ᠓ In TORENTVN . VI . ca᠙ ad g᠗d. In CHELBROC . II . ca᠙ 7 di᠓.

In the next record of this manor, 44 Henry III., we find Peter de Percy and William Kyme standing towards each other in the singular relation of lord and vassal alternately, for

* As one of the brooks which rise in this parish runs into the Are, and another into the Ribble, it might with equal propriety have been considered under either valley; but its being a member of the Percy fee determined me to Ribblesdale.

[Contains, according to the Ordnance Survey, 5,434 a. or. 23 p., with a population, in 1871, of 2,053 persons, living in 442 houses.

† In the "Liber Regis" it is said to be dedicated to St. Mary.

[‡ Of the lands of Roger de Poitou.—One manor.—In Torentune Alcolm had three carucates to be taxed. One manor.—In Eurebi Alcolme had three carucates to be taxed. One manor.—In another Eurebi Alcolme had two carucates and six oxgangs to be taxed.

Of the lands of William de Perci in Craven.—Two manors.—In Torentun six carucates to be taxed. In Chelbroc two carucates and a half.

at that time Percy held of Kyme one car. in frank-marriage* in Thornton and Ilkley immediately; whereof twelve make one knight's fee, and the latter held of the former two oxgangs in Thornton of the same fee; Matthew de Kelbroke two oxgangs of the same in Kelbroke, and Jeffry, son of William, one oxgang in Eureby.†

In the next place we learn from Kirkby's "Inquest," 24 [13th] Edward I., that there were in Thornton, Eureby, and Kelbroke twelve plough-lands, whereof the church was endowed with half a plough-land.‡ In the 28th Edward I. Philip de Kyme alienated this manor to Walter de Muncey for 600*l.* sterling, and in the same year Muncey obtained a charter of free-warren in Thornton, Eureby, and Kelbroke, together with a fair and market at Thornton—viz., a market every Thursday, and a fair there for five days, viz., on the eve, day, and morrow of St. Thomas the Martyr, and two days following.

In the 9th of Edward II. we find John de Ros lord of the manor of Thornton in Craven.§ He was second son of William, Lord Ros, and died *s.p.* 11 Edward III., seised of this manor in right of Margaret his wife, of whom it can only be conjectured that she was heiress of Muncey. Through the several descents of this family it may be regularly traced until the attainder of Thomas, Lord Roos (a zealous Lancastrian), 1 Edward IV., when that king granted to John Pilkinton, Esq., a third part of the manor of Thornton in Craven, which Margaret, wife of John, late Lord Roos, held in dower; and also the other two third parts of the same, which Alianore, Duchess of Somerset, held likewise in dower.|| This Alianore was daughter of Richard Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, and married, 1st, Thomas, father of the last Thomas Lord Roos, and 2nd, Edmund Beaufort, Duke of Somerset. The Pilkintons, I suppose, were adherents of the House of York, in consequence of their situation in the neighbourhood of Sandal Castle. However, by charter dated November 1, 16 Edward IV., John Pilkinton, Knt., granted to the abbot and convent of *Fewtance*¶ the advowson and patronage of the church of Thornton in Craven; and by charter dated July 1, 18 Edward IV., Thomas de Swynton, Abbot of Fountaines,** gave to the said Pilkinton the grange of Bradley on condition that if the

[* Frank-marriage (*in libero maritagio*) a species of entailed estates, now grown out of use, but still capable of subsisting. When tenements are given one by one to another, together with a wife who is a daughter or cousin of the donor, to hold in frank-marriage, the donees shall have the tenements to them and the heirs of their two bodies begotten, *i.e.*, in special tail. For the word *Frank-marriage, ex vi' termini*, both creates and limits an inheritance, not only supplying words of descent, but also terms of procreation. The donees are liable to no service except fealty, and a reserved rent would be void until the fourth degree of consanguinity be past between the issues of the donor and donee, when they were capable by the law of the church of intermarrying.—Wharton's "Law Lexicon," 1876.]

† Royal MSS. Brit. Mus. Claudius 112, Inq. de Feodis W. de Kyme, com. Ebor. 149, et Esch. 44 Hen. III. No. 25.

‡ THORNETON-CUM-EVERBY ET KELBROK.—In eisdem villis sunt XII car. terræ: unde ecclesia dotata est de di. car. terræ; et Willelmus Kyugge tenet I bov. terræ de hospitio sancti Johannis de antiquo feoffamento; et residuum tenet Philippus de Kymbe de hæredibus de Percy, et idem hæredes de Percy de rege; et redd. ad finem prædictum, *vs. vid.*—Kirkby's "Inquest," A.D. 1284.

In the account of "Knights' Fees in Yorkshire," taken in 31st Edward I., 1302-3, we find: "In Thornton sunt XII car.; quarum ecclesia dotata est de IIII bov. et data sunt per uterem Philippum de Kimba; et Johannes King tenet I bov. de Hospitali Sancti Johannis in elemosinam et fuit elemosinata a tempore quo non extat memoria; et dominus Walterus de Monnay lenet totum residuum in dominico et servitio del Percy, ut supra. et redd. ad finem wap. *vs. vid.* Summa XII car.]

§ Townley MSS.

|| By an inquisition *post mortem* 19 Edward IV. Sir John Pylkynton was found to be lord "duæ partes manerii Thornton in Craven.]"

¶ Townley MSS.

** Mr. Currer's "Collections."

abbot and convent should be dispossessed of the church of Thornton, then the grant of Bradley should be revoked. This transaction shows the abbot to have been aware of the insecurity of his tenure, and the event corresponded with his apprehensions; for in the 1st Henry VII. the heirs of the Lord Roos were restored, the monks were of course ejected, and John Darnton,* then abbot, entered upon Bradley again.†

Thus the manor and advowson together returned to their former owners, and we hear nothing more of them till Thomas, the first earl of Rutland, and Baron Roos, by will dated August 16, 1543, devised *inter alia* to John Manners, his second son, the manor of Thornton in Craven, with the appurtenances in Thornton, Eureby, and Kelbroke, in the county of York. By him it is supposed to have been sold back to his elder brother Henry, second earl of Rutland, who in 1556, 3 and 4 Philip and Mary, alienated it to William Lister; and it has since descended in the course of the pedigree annexed.

With respect to the church of Thornton, the tradition is, that, with Marton and Bracewell, it was originally a portion of Bernoldswick. This, however, is not confirmed by the authority of the monk, who expressly affirms that fact of the two other churches. The first incumbent I have met with is a William Clericus de Thornton in a charter *s.d.*, probably as old as the earlier part of Henry III.‡ Then,

RECTORES DE THORNTON.

Temp. Inst.	Rectores.	Patroni.	Vacat.
6 kal Maii, 1280.	D's <i>Wm. de Byrley</i> , Subd.	{ Procurator D'ni <i>Emerici de Rupe</i> <i>Lunardi et Matilde</i> uxoris.§	
6 id. June, 1292.	D's <i>Rad. de Shefeld.</i>	<i>Maud de Kyme.</i>	per resig.
9 June, 1346.	D's <i>Tho. Barton</i> , Presb.	D'a <i>Margaret de Ros.</i> ¶	per resig.**
4 Jan. 1348.	D's <i>Tho. Alkharwe</i> , Acolythus.	Eadem.	per mort.
3 Jan. 1349.	D's <i>Joh. de Wyfordby</i> , Cap.	D's <i>Tho. de Ros.</i> ††	
14 Nov. 1350.	D's <i>Adam de Hoton.</i>	{ <i>Ed. III. Rex</i> , per federat. versus } <i>Wm. de Ros.</i> }	per resig.
25 Maii, 1353.	D's <i>Tho. de Marnham</i> , Pr.	Idem <i>Tho. de Ros.</i>	per mort.
18 Julii, 1368.	D's <i>Nic. de Stayngrew</i> , Pr.	Idem.	per resig.
20 Sept. 1369.	D's <i>Wm. de Benyngholm</i> , Pr.	Idem, per assign.	per resig.
13 Dec. 1374.	D's <i>Joh. de Aymundesby</i> , Pr. D's <i>Rowlandus Qwack.</i>	Idem <i>Thomas</i> — D'na <i>Beatrix</i> , D'na <i>de Ros.</i>	
1 Apr. 1397.	D's <i>Adam de Popilton.</i>	Eadem.	per resig.

* Mr. Curren's "Collections."

† "Tho' de Swynton, Abbas de Fontibus, per cart' dat' 1 Jul' A. xviii Edw. IV. dedit, &c. Joh'i Pilkinton mil' grangiam de Bradley sub tali conditione quod si dictus Abbas ejectus esset à possessione Eccl' Par' de Thornton, tunc concessio de Bradley irrita esset. Et quia in Parl' D'ni R. Henry VII. a^o 1^{mo} regni sui and Nov. 2, heres D'ni Ros restituebatur ad eccl' de Thornton, & Abbas inde ejectus fuit, idem Abbas intravit in Bradley. Et sic inde seizitus Jo'es Darneton, tunc Abbas, dedit grangiam p'd' Rob. Pilkinton, ar' &c. 10 Nov. 1487."—Dodsworth, v. 146, fol. 142.

‡ Townley MSS.

§ Reg. Abp. Wickwane.

|| Reg. Jo. Romaine. In the taxation of livings wasted by the Scots, Reg. of Abp. Melton, this church is valued at XX marks.

¶ Hamlake, by a very unusual corruption, afterwards became Helmsley,

"Once great Buckingham's delight,"

which he inherited from his mother, who was heir general of the house of Rutland. Since its alienation the name has undergone a still more radical change.

** Reg. Zouch.

†† Reg. Thoresby.

Temp. Inst.	Rectores.	Patroni.	Vacat.
12 Sept. 1416.	D's <i>Hen. Matthew</i> , Pr.	<i>Tho. Dux Exoniæ.</i>	per mort.
3 Jan. 1437.	D's <i>Wm. Wadyngton.</i>	D's <i>Joh. Tempest</i> , Mil.	per mort.
2 Jan. 1476.	D's <i>Jac. Smethurst</i> , Cap.*	D's <i>Joh. Pilkington</i> , Mil.	
28 Oct. 1493.	D's <i>Tho. Wyber</i> , Presb.	<i>Tho. Lovel</i> , Mil.	
23 Jul. 1539.	D's <i>Nic. Hall</i> , Cl. A.M. D's <i>Jon. Robynson.</i>	Assig. <i>Tho. Com. Rutland.</i>	
25 Sept. 1581.	<i>Nic. Baldwin</i> , Cl. A.M.	<i>Wil. Lister</i> , Arm.	per mort. per resig.
30 Aug. 1599.	<i>Hugo Watmouthe</i> , Cl.	<i>Eliz. Reg.</i> per laps.	per mort.
28 Aug. 1623.	<i>Tho. Drake</i> , Cl. A.M. <i>Ric. Hooke</i> , Cl. D.D. afterwards Vicar of } Halifax. }	D's <i>Wil. Lister</i> , Mil.	
13 Nov. 1668.	<i>Edmund Kough</i> , Cl. A.M. afterwards Vicar } of Halifax, also. } <i>Thomas Hanson</i> , A.M. sep. Jan. 26, 1699.	<i>Katherine Lister</i> , Vid.	per resig. per resig.
14 Apr. 1699.	<i>Thomas Waynman.</i>	<i>Christopher Lister</i> , Arm.	per mort.
15 Jan. 1708.	<i>James Allenson.</i>	<i>Arthur Kay</i> , Bart.	per mort.
24 Dec. 1730.	<i>Henry Elmsall</i> , A.M.	Sir <i>John Kay</i> , Bart.	
2 Oct. 1735.	<i>Henry Richardson</i> , A.M.	Sir <i>Joh. Lister Kay</i> , Bart.	per mort.
25 Jul. 1778.	<i>William Roundell</i> , A.M.	<i>Ric. Richardson</i> , Arm., of <i>Thornton.</i>	per resig.
9 Apr. 1783.	<i>Henry Richardson</i> (added the name of <i>Currer</i>).	<i>Maria Richardson</i> , Vid.	per mort.
10 Mar. 1785.	<i>Josiah Fleming.</i>	Sir <i>John Lister Kay</i> , Bart.	per mort.
28 Aug. 1812.	The Hon. <i>Anchitel Grey</i> , M.A.	Sir <i>John Lister Kay</i> , Bart.	per resig.
18 Feb. 1813.	<i>Robert Gov.</i>	Idem.	per resig.
5 Oct. 1832.	<i>Arthur Lister Lister Kaye.</i>	Idem.	per mort.
4 Aug. 1834.	<i>Lawrence Stuart Morris.</i>	Himself.	

The church, like others in this part of Craven, stands at a considerable distance from the village.† It is a plain, decent building, with a tower, choir, and two side aisles. The builder of the tower, besides a shield of his arms, has perpetuated his name, and the date of the work, in the following inscription:—

[Shield of arms:—..... on a chevron three mullets in base an annulet; for Carr.]

**Jams Car Baly of
Thornto' wne found' a'no D'm MCCCCXX.
Wark wr' P'ochyn.**

By which I suppose is meant that, though James Car was founder, the "P'ochyn," parochians, or parishioners, "wrought wark"—that is, contributed their labour.

The re-founder of the church has also his memorial.

* 30th Nov., 1476, a commission issued out to appropriate this church, then of the patronage of Sir John Pilkington, Knt., to Fountains Abbey, which had the patronage thereof by the gift of the said Sir John. The appropriation, however, does not appear to have taken place.—Lawton, p. 170.]

† The church, apparently built in the fifteenth century, consists of nave, without clerestory or chancel arch, north and south aisles of three bays, chancel of one bay. The nave roof is ceiled; that of the south aisle appears to be original. There are late oak screens to part the chancel aisles. Projecting from the west side of the west pier of north aisle is a head of a monk very well carved. The seating is of oak, and curious, and of seventeenth century work. The tower is square, and upon the south-east buttress are three shields, but the arms are now effaced by time. In the tower are frames for six bells, but there are only four hung. They are inscribed:—"HENRY RICHARDS, A.M. RECTOR. JOHN WILCOCK, STEPHEN BANISTER, JOHN HARGREAVES, CHURCHWARDENS. K (A MEDALLION WITH HEAD) P. IMPRIMIS VENERARE DEUM. LESTER AND PACK FECIT 1759." "VENITE AD PRECES VENITE AD CONCIONES. LESTER AND PACK 1759." On the second: "*Campana Sanctus Antonius.*" On the tenor: "*Ave Maria Gra. Plena Dns tecum.*"

Over the east window is an inscription in old English characters, which with much difficulty I read as follows :—

**When this church et a quaire
 biltid were Thomas Ld Ros p'ron* w=
 as here Of his sawle God ha=
 be mercy et beniguite
 amen.**

This refers, I think, to Thomas Lord Ros, attainted in the 1st of Edward IV., rather than to his ancestor of that name, who lived a century before. The rebuilding of the church and quire may therefore be assigned to the reign of Henry VI.

In the windows are, twice, the arms of Ros [gu., three water bougets arg.]; and also those of Car, the same as on the steeple—namely, arg. on a chevron gu., three mullets or, an annulet in base.† [The glass is now gone.]

The following inscriptions are on two monuments lately erected at the east end of Thornton Church, within the altar-rails :—

Here waiting for a joyful resurrection
 are deposited the remains
 of the Rev. Henry Richardson, A.M.
 the exemplary rector of this church
 for above forty-two years.
 He was third surviving son
 of Richard Richardson of Bierly, M.D.
 and Dorothy daughter of Henry Curre, Esq. of Kildwick Hall.
 Was born the 20th of March, 1710.
 Married on the 1st of December, 1747,
 to Mary daughter and heir of Benjamin Dawson
 of Oldham in the county of Lancaster, Merchant,
 by whom he had issue,
 Richard, who died at Lisbon unmarried
 on the 24th of May, 1782, and is buried there.
 Henry, his successor in the rectory of Thornton.
 Dorothy now living unmarried ;
 and Mary the wife of the Rev. William Roundell, A.M.
 of Gledston House, by whom she has issue.
 He died on the 27th of March, 1778,
 sincerely regretted.
 Near this place also rests the body
 of his widow Mary Richardson,
 who was born the 8th of October, 1717,
 and closed a long, useful, and pious life
 at Gargrave, on the 3d of April, 1800.
 Their Grand-daughter Frances-Mary Richardson Curre
 dedicates this memorial to their memories.

[Shield of arms :—Quarterly of six, 1. sa. on a chief arg. 3 lions' heads erased of the field, Richardson ; 2. az. a bend betw. two stags' heads coupé or, Howarth ; 3. erm. a cross engr. sa., Pollard ; 4. vert a stag's head coupé within a bordure engr. or, Fothergill ; 5. erm. three bars gemelles sa. on a chief az. a lion pass. arg. Curre ; 6. erm. a cross engr. sa., Pollard : over all an escutcheon of pretence, az. on a bend engr. arg. 3 daws sa., for Dawson.]

* Pron—*i.e.*, patron.

† The arms should be described—Gu. on a chev. arg. three mullets sa. an annulet in base for diff.]

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Sacred to the memory
of the Rev. Henry Richardson Curren, Rector of Thornton, in Craven,
whose mortal remains rest between those of his Father and Mother.
He was second son of the Rev. Henry Richardson, A.M.
by Mary, daughter and heiress of Benjamin Dawson, of Oldham,
in the county of Lancaster, Merchant.
He was born December 9th, 1758,
and married February 3d, 1783, to Margaret Clive Wilson, only surviving
child and heiress of Matthew Wilson, Esq. of Eshton Hall,
by Frances, fourth daughter of Richard Clive, Esq. of Styche,
in the county of Salop, and M.P. for Montgomery.
At the age of twenty-four, he was inducted to the Rectory of Thornton,
and was a short time in possession of the family estates
of the Richardsons and Currers.
Upon succeeding to the latter, he took the name of Curren
in addition to his own, pursuant to the Will of his Cousin Sarah Curren.
In the relations of Son, Brother, and Husband, he was exemplary,
and, while universally and deservedly beloved and respected,
never lost sight of the deep humility of a Christian.
Doubly endeared to his parishioners, by his own, and the remembrance
of his Parents' virtues, he was long and sincerely mourned by them,
and the many whose necessities his charity had relieved.
To the heart-felt grief of his Widow, his Family, and Friends,
he closed his short, irreproachable life, November 10th, 1784,
setting a bright example of early piety, and devout submission
to the will of God, who called him from the fleeting and
unsatisfactory enjoyments of Time, to the sure and glorious
inheritance of Immortal Life, purchased for him by
the Merits of his Redeemer.
Frances-Mary Richardson Curren, his posthumous daughter
and heiress, dedicates this marble to her Father,
with filial reverence.

[Shield of arms :—Quarterly, 1. Richardson quartering Curren; 2. Howarth; 3. Pollard; 4. Fothergill; over all an escutcheon of pretence for Wilson. Two crests: a hand holding a falchion, and a lion's head. Motto: "Sibi constet."]

In the middle aisle were lately [are now, 1877] two ancient gravestones with crosses and swords, which have been engraved by Mr. Gough.* It is not easy to conjecture to whom they belonged, as there is no reason to suppose that any of the Barons Roos ever resided here, and no considerable family before the Listers ever settled in the parish. Perhaps the "Balys" of the manor may have been military persons of some account; as Carr appears to have been, from the circumstance of his bearing arms at that early period.

In the churchyard is a spring, which the late respectable rector, Mr. Richardson, covered with a small dome, inscribed as follows :—

FONTEM HUNC SALUTIFERUM ET PERANTIQUUM TECTO MUNIVIT
HENRICUS RICHARDSON RECTOR A. Æ. C. MDCCLXIV.
QUOD PUBLICÆ SALUTI BENE VORTAT.

I do not know that it has any dedication.

A traveller is struck with the vicinity of this church and that of Bernoldswic, which stand at the extremity of their respective parishes, and look as if they had moved by agreement from their proper sites to give each other the meeting.

On the highest point of ground in the village, commanding a noble prospect of the

* MSS. J. C. Brooke, in Off. Arm.

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northern boundary of Craven, stands the parsonage-house, rebuilt by Mr. Richardson with all the taste which characterised his family. It is indeed a model of simplicity and elegance on a small scale.

Adjoining is the site of the old manor-house, which, having been taken by a party of Royalists in July, 1643, was some time afterwards burnt, and never rebuilt. Several years since, on digging into the rubbish, an apartment was discovered on the ground floor with the old furniture undisturbed. From a memorandum among Dr. Johnston's papers it appears that the officers who commanded at the assault were Lord Darcy and Major Hawes, sent from Sir John Mallory, Governor of Skipton Castle. Here the heir of the Braddyll family, of Portfield, lost his life; "for," saith Christopher Townley, his kinsman, "Jo. Braddall, æt. 20, captain for the Parliament, going to the siege of Sir William Lister's house at Thornton, in Craven, there had a shot from the said house, near unto his shoulder, of which he died, and was buried at Whalley, July 27th, 1643."* I suppose that, after the house was in possession of the Royalists, some attempt was made to retake it, in which this gallant but unfortunate young man met his fate.

The parish register contains† the following memorials of this disastrous period :—

Sepult. duo mil. occisi, Dec. 27, 1642.
 „ Hargreave de Stothill, occisus, Dec. 30.
 „ Miles, die Aprilis 16, 1643.
 „ Tredecim milites, die Jul. 26, 1643.

[The registers commence in 1566, but they are wanting from 1645 to 1654.]

Instead of dwelling upon this scene of death and suffering, it is more pleasing to remember that out of the same house arose two men eminent for the art of mitigating pain and prolonging life.

Matthew Lister, according to Wood, was born at Thornton, in Craven, and bred at Oxford, where he became Fellow of Oriel College; but travelling abroad, he became M.D. at Basil, and was incorporated at Oxford in 1605, as the English universities at that time allowed a more universal communication of honours with those on the Continent than is usual at present. His family and country introduced him to the illustrious Anne, Countess of Pembroke. By her recommendation, probably, he became Physician in Ordinary to Queen Anne of Denmark, her great patroness, and afterwards to King Charles I., from whom he received the honour of knighthood in 1636. Lastly, he attained to the summit of medical honours in being appointed President of the College of Physicians. He died about the year 1657, at Burwell, in Lincolnshire, aged 92, an instance of a constitution which either needed not the aids of his own faculty, or proved their efficacy.

His grand-nephew, though perhaps not of equal eminence in his profession, yet, from his various publications, as well as proximity to our own times, is more generally remembered.

* Townley MSS.

† The marriage of General Lambert is entered in this register as follows: "Nupt. Johannes Lambert et Frances Lister, Sept. 10, 1639." The following instances of longevity occur in the years 1571 and 1572, which seem to have been fatal to the old people:—Sep. Hen. Atkinson, of the age of 97 years, 28 Sept., 1571. Ric. Smith, of the age of 91 years, 26 Mar., 1572. John Walton, of the age of 95, 27 May, 1572.

Martin Lister was born in or about the year 1638, and educated under the eye of his great-uncle, by whom he was placed in St. John's College, Cambridge, and soon after his death took the degree of A.B. The example and instructions of a court physician redeemed him from the disloyalty of his family; and he met with an early reward of his fidelity, being appointed Fellow of the College by royal mandate in the year of the Restoration. Having taken his last degree in arts, he devoted himself to the study of physic, and, about the year 1668, travelled into France. On his return from that country he settled at York, and practised with great success. His excursions in the way of his profession afforded him many opportunities of gratifying his propensity towards the study of natural history and antiquities, in the former of which he became so eminent as to be elected F.R.S., an honour not conferred at that time but on men who had given considerable proofs of their proficiency in the science of nature. It was probably a growing indisposition to motion, and a desire of learned and liberal conversation, which induced him to remove to London,* where, in 1709, he was appointed Physician in Ordinary to the Queen. He died in February, 1711-12, having published many works on medicine and natural history; but his reputation is built on the "Synopsis Conchyliorum." I have only to add that he purchased Carlton Hall, where he occasionally resided before his removal to London.

Comparative state of population in the parish of Thornton.

1600.	Baptised 17.	Buried 13.
1700.	" 17.	" 17.
1800.	" 26.	" 31.

[In April, 1871, there were living in this parish 2,053 persons, residing in 442 houses.]

[There was an Inclosure Act passed in the 59th George III.]

[Robert Windle, by will, before 1623 founded a free school in Thornton for the support of a master to teach Latin and instruct the youth within the parish; income, 20*l.* *per annum* from rent-charge.—Lawton's "Collections," p. 270.]

[At Thornton are almshouses, an inscription upon them states—

"1815. These almshouses, for five poor women, were erected and endowed pursuant to the desire of Joseph Smith, late of the City of London, banker, a native of this parish, out of the residuary estate of Rachel Smith, his widow."

She endowed them with 2,000*l.* in 3 per cent. Consols.]

[The Roman road mentioned in the description of Broughton parish at page 114, passes through Thornton, extending from Bracewell towards Eslack.]

[At Kelbrook a church, dedicated to St. Mary, was built and endowed by Miss Curren, of Eshton Hall. It was consecrated on the 30th September, 1839. It is a perpetual curacy, Sir Mathew Wilson, Bart., the patron. The incumbents have been—

8 Oct.	1841.	<i>Isaac Fidler.</i>
20 Oct.	1846.	<i>Thomas Robert Jones.</i>
26 Aug.	1852.	<i>Ebenezer Howell, M.A.</i>
2 Aug.	1855.	<i>Charles Forge, B.A.</i>
1 March,	1866.	<i>Owen Owen.</i>]

[* The epitaph on one of his daughters, buried in the eastern cloister of Westminster Abbey, is very simple and pathetic: "Jane Lister, dear child, October 7, 1688."—Stanley's "Memorials of Westminster Abbey," p. 321.]