

A R E D A L E.

BINGLEY*

TS the field of Bingel, or Bing, its original possessor in the Saxon times.

This parish is no otherwise connected with the present subject than as a part of the deanery of Craven. It is within the wapontake of Skirack, and not included in any of the fees which constitute the wapontake of Staincliffe.

At the time of the Domesday Survey, Bingley was surveyed as follows:—

SIRACHES WAP.†

̄ In *BINGHELEIA* . ̄b Gospatric . ̄iii . car̄ træ
 ad gtd̄ . Trā . é ad ̄ii . car̄ . Ernegis de Burun h̄f.
 7 wast̄ é . T.R.E . ual̄ ̄iii . lib̄ . Silua past̄ . ̄ii . leù
 l̄ḡ . 7 ̄i . lat̄ . Tot̄ ̄ ̄iii . lev̄ l̄ḡ 7 ̄ii . lat̄.
 Infra hanc meta continet̄ ̄h̄ Soca ^{̄ii.c'} Beldune.
^{̄ii.c'} Cotingelei ^{̄i.c'} Helguic . ^{̄i.c'} Muceltuait ^{̄i.c'} Mardelei Ha
^{̄i.c'} reltun . Simul ad gtd̄ . viii . caruc̄ Trā . é ad . ̄iii . car̄.
 Waste sunt om̄s.

Some portions of this soke are in other parishes.

How long Erneis de Burun held the manor of Bingley does not appear; but about the year 1120 it was the property of William Paganell, founder of the priory of Drax. His

[* The parish includes the township of Bingley-with-Micklethwaite, with the hamlets of Beckfoot, Cottingley, Cross-Flatts, Cross-Roads, Cullingworth, Eldwick, Fawcather, Gilstead, Hainworth, Harden, Priest-Thorpe, Riddlesden, and Rysworth: also the township of Morton. The area of the parish, according to the Ordnance Survey, is 14,108 a. 1 r. 4 p., and in 1871 the population was 18,116, living in 3,784 houses. Inclosure Acts were passed for Riddlesden-with-Morton 28th George III., and for Cullingworth 49th George III.]

[† Manor.—In Bingheleia Gospatric had four carucates of land to be taxed. There is land to two ploughs. Ernegis de Burun has it, and it is waste. Value in King Edward's time four pounds. Wood pasture two miles long and one broad. The whole manor four miles long and two broad. Within this bound is the soke of these:—Beldune (Baildon) two carucates, Cotingelei (Cottingley) two carucates, Helguic (Helwick) one carucate, Muceltuait (Micklethwait) one carucate, Mardelei (Marley) one carucate, Hareltun (Harden) one carucate. To be taxed together eight carucates. There is land to four ploughs. They are all waste.]

successors were the Gants, and William de Gant had a charter for a market here 12th John [1210-11]. Then followed the Cantilupes, of whom William de Cantilupe received a confirmation from the Crown* of the village of Bingelay, of the gift and feoffment of Ranulph Earl of Chester, and held of him as chief lord, by the service of half a knight's fee.

Next follows Milisent de Montalt,† who, by charter *s.d.* in her pure widowhood, grants to Alianore la Zuche, her daughter, and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten, her manor of Byngele, with the appurtenances.‡ From the inquest *post mortem*, this Milisent died in, or immediately before, the 9th of Edward I. [1280-1]. In the 31st of the same reign [1302-3], John de Harcourt [who had married Ellen, daughter and heiress of Eudo la Zouch] answered for half a knight's fee in Byngelay, at the rate of *xxs.*§ He was living in the 9th of Edward II. [1315-16], and was then lord of the manor.||

Here ten carucates only made a knight's fee, a proof that we are now arrived at a warmer climate, and one better adapted to the growth of corn than the upper parts of Craven.¶

In the reign of Richard II., Elizabeth, daughter and heir of Richard Harcourt, married Sir Thomas Astley, Knt., second son of Thomas Lord Astley, and ancestor to the Astleys of Patteshull, in the county of Stafford. By this marriage the manor of Bingley passed to the Astleys, with whom it continued till the reign of Elizabeth, when it was sold to the Walkers, and by them to Hugh Currer of Marley, whose grandson, Henry Currer, Esq., of Gawthorpe, in the year 1668, sold it to Robert Benson, father of the first Lord Bingley,** whose descendant James Lane Fox, Esq., is the present owner of it.

Villages within the manor of Bingley are Gilstead, Helwick, Fauether, Micklethwaite, of which Rishworth †† is part, and Priestthorp [which in 2 Edward II. (1308-9) was owned by Henry son of Nicholas de Presthorp.—Inq. *post mortem*.]

Other manors within the parish are—

Cottingley,‡‡ belonging to the devisee of the late Benjamin Ferrand, Esq., and formerly to the Copleys, but purchased of the Sunderlands.

* Cart. 14th Henry III. m. 2.

[† BYNGELEY.—Stephanus le Waleys tenet III car. terræ unde XIII car. faciunt feod. milit. de Roberto de Everyngham, et idem Robertus de Alianora la Zusche, et eadem Alianora de Milicenta de Monte Alto, et eadem Milicenta de rege in capite. Item, Johannes de Martylay² tenet in eadem III partes unius car. terræ de eodem feodo de prædicto Roberto de Everyngham ut supra. Et totum residuum manerii tenet prædicta Alianora pro di. feodo milit. de prædicta Milisenta, et eadem Milisenta de rege in capite et nihil redd. ad wap. prædictum.—Kirkby's "Inquest," 1284.]

‡ MSS in Coll. Arm.

§ Rot. Orig. Skipton Box, ib'm.

["Nomina Villarum."]

¶ Cum Craven superaverit Arus, diffusior lætiores agros præterit.—Camden.

[** There is a portrait of Robert Benson, Lord Bingley, in the possession of the Lord Mayor and Corporation of York.]

[†† Rishworth Hall, owned by the Busfield family.—Whitaker's "Leeds," i. 5.]

[‡‡ At Cottingley House was born Richard Thornton, who accompanied Dr. Livingstone as geologist and geographer in his African travels.]

[¹ Milisent de Cantilupe, eldest daughter of William de Cantilupe, and co-heir to her brother George, married first John de Monte Alto, who died *s.p.*; and secondly Eudo la Zouch, of Ashby, co. Leicester. The inquest *post mortem* of Milisenta de Monte Alto was taken in the 27th Edward I., 1292, when William la Zouch was found to be her son and heir.]

[² John de Martylay married Alice, daughter and co-heir of Simon de Monte Alto. The hamlet of Marley is about a mile and a half north-west of Bingley; at the time of the Domesday Survey it was called Mardelei.]

Hainworth, to the heirs of the late Sir George Cooke, Bart.

Harden,* containing the hamlets of Marley, } to Thomas Parker, Esq., of Alcancoats,
Cullingworth,† and Cowhouse, } in Lancashire.

Riddlesden,‡ E. W., containing Morton,§ } to ———
and Morton Banks, }

Morton, however, if not now, was formerly a distinct manor, belonging 9th Edward II. to Peter de Marthley and Ralph de Ilketon.

In the time of Dodsworth, who visited this place in 1621, "there was a park at Bingley, and a castle near the church on a hill called Bailey Hill," of which little more than the name and tradition now remain. My author adds, "here hath been a mercate and borough town;" by which he could not mean that the town had ever been incorporated, but that, like Skipton and other towns under the protection of castles, the inhabitants had been styled *Burgenses*.

About thirty years ago was discovered, near Morton, one of the most valuable deposits of Roman coin ever turned up in Britain. It consisted of a very large quantity of denarii, in excellent preservation, for the most part of Septimius Severus, Julia Domna, Caracalla, and Geta, contained in the remains of a brass chest, which had probably been the military chest of a Roman legion, and buried here upon some sudden alarm.

The church of Bingley || was given to the priory of Drax, by William Paganell, the founder, in the time of Archbishop Thurstan, who held the see of York from 1119 to 1147.¶ It was confirmed to them by Archbishop Roger and by Geoffry Plantagenet his successor, who granted them three marks *per annum* out of the profits. Hitherto, however, it continued to be rectorial. But in 1197, Pope Celestine III. appropriated this church to the priory aforesaid; and in 1315 Archbishop Grenfield examined and ratified this endowment.

[* Part of the old building, Harden Grange, still remains, particularly the entrance doorway, with a shield of the arms of Ferrand with their crest, a mailed arm erect grasping a battle-axe, and the inscription:—

" If thou a house shalt finde
Built to thy mynde
And that without thy cost
Serve thou the more
God and the poore
And then my labour is not loste."

[† A church dedicated to St. John was in 1853 erected at Cullingworth, which had been formed into a new parish in 1846; it is a vicarage in the patronage of the Crown and the Bishop of Ripon alternately. The value is 150*l. per annum*. The incumbents have been—1847, John Hollings Mitchell, M.A.; 1873, R. Stansfield; 1875, Richard Cockrem.]

[‡ The first lord of Riddlesden after the Conquest was Simon de Montalt, living in 1160. A daughter of a Simon de Montalt, descendant of the above-named Robert Paslew, which family continued in possession until Ellen, sister and co-heiress of Francis Paslew (who died in 1603), married John Rishworth, Esq.; their son John, and grandson Richard Rishworth, sold the estate to the Murgatroyds; about 1692 it fell into the possession of the Starkey family, in which it now remains. Riddlesden Hall is a good specimen of a Yorkshire house in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; it formerly belonged to the Paslew family. It is now divided into tenements. At Riddlesden is also a vicarage, the Bishop of Ripon patron, value 33*l.* It was formed into an ecclesiastical parish in 1874. The church is dedicated to St. Mary, and was built in 1850. The Rev. John Fisher is vicar, instituted in 1875.]

[§ Morton consists of the townships of East Morton and the hamlet of West Morton. The chapelry includes Morton Banks; it was constituted by order of Council, 8th August, 1845; it is a vicarage, the patronage is with the Crown and the bishop alternately. The value of the living is 160*l. per annum*. The church, built in 1851, is dedicated to St. Luke, it was consecrated 23rd April, 1851, and the incumbents have been—in 1846, the Rev. W. Fawcett, M.A.; 21st September, 1876, the Rev. Francis Marriner.]

|| "Mon. Ang." vol. ii. p. 96.

¶ Burt. "Mon. Ebor." p. 101, ex chartulario de Drax.

[The church was restored in 1870-71, but, with exception of a vestry built out from the north aisle, retains its original character. It consists of nave, with clerestory of four square-headed, three-light windows, and two aisles opening from the nave by four arches, the piers octagonal; chancel arch, and arches dividing the nave aisles from the chapel or chancel aisles, a south porch, and west tower. The plaster has been removed from the walls, and some relics of the former Norman church discovered. The seats, font, pulpit, &c., are all modern. The tower is good, and in its original state; it has a curious west window. At the apex is a shield charged with the arms of Paslew, a fess between three pierced mullets, and at the terminations of the hood mould are other shields, one defaced, the other also much defaced, but apparently a lion rampant debriused by three bars. At the sides of these shields are two others, one three birds, the other a double-headed eagle. In the east wall of the north chancel aisle is a shield three chess rooks, for *Eltofte*, and another, bearing a chevron between three fleurs-de-lis, for *Busfield*. The east window is of five lights, and beneath the sill is a



short buttress—a most unusual position for such a support; it may possibly originally have been carried up between two lancet windows. There is a small two-light window at the south-east end of the chancel. The east window of the south chancel aisle is original, and of five lights. The chancel is supposed to have been rebuilt by Richard Wylson, Bishop of Negropont, Suffragan of York, and Prior of Drax in 1518. In 1773 a new set of bells were provided, the tenor being inscribed: “THIS PEAL WAS RAISED IN 1773. JOHNSON ATKINSON BUSFIELD, ESQ., WAS THE PRINCIPAL BENEFACITOR.” In 1828 this bell was cracked, and a new one cast, with the names of the vicar and churchwardens recorded upon it. Mr. Walter Dunlop, of the Grange, has added two bells, making now a peal of eight. One of these has the legend: “RING OUT THE DARKNESS OF THE LAND. RING IN THE CHRIST THAT IS TO BE.”

Lying on the floor of the tower is a very interesting relic, commonly known as the old font, but supposed by Professor Stevens of Copenhagen, and the Rev. D. H. Haigh of Erdington, to be the base of a memorial cross. It has an inscription in Runic characters, which Professor Stevens interprets to mean, “Eadbert son of Eatha, the King, made a good decree, visited again Bingley;” but the Rev. D. H. Haigh considers it to mean, “Eadberht, son of Eatha, King, uttered a gracious ban, Ongus visited Bingley;” and he infers that at Hewendend

Eadberht had assembled the army which he had brought to the aid of Oengus, King of the Picts, in A.D. 756, and that at Bingley the alliance was concluded.*

The north chancel aisle, or Ryshworth Chapel, was rebuilt at the cost of Mr. J. A. Busfield, and on the richly-carved cornice of the oak screen which divides the chapel from the chancel is the following inscription:—"In Pious remembrance of his ancestors this chapel was restored by Johnson Atkinson Busfield in A.D. 1870." This chapel formerly belonged to the Eltofte family, but in 1591 it was purchased, with the manor and estate, by Edward Bynns. In 1672 Abraham Bynns, of Rushworth, sold the property to William Busfield, of Leeds. The chapel on the south side of the chancel was known as the Riddlesden Chapel. During the restoration of the church, great care was taken to preserve the tablets and slabs with inscriptions, and many which were removed from their original positions are now fixed to the walls of the tower.

In the west window of the tower are the following shields, with the names in old English beneath:—1. Arg. a fess between three pierced mullets sa., *Paslewe*. 2. Arg. three chess rooks sa., *Eltofte*. 3. Arg. a lion ramp. gu., over all two bars sa., *Mahant*. 4. Arg. three squirrels sejant gu., *Martheley*. 5. Sa. on a pale or, betw. two goats' heads erased arg. a leopard's face between two annulets az. The shield is surmounted by a mitre, and beneath is this inscription: "Reverendus in Christo Pater Ricardus Wylsonne Negroponte Chor. Suffragan, ac Prior de Drax istum chorum et fenestram fieri fecit Anno Dom. MDCCLXXIII et die mensis Martii MDLXXIII." 6. Shield baron and femme, dexter, quarterly: 1 and 4, sa. a chev. betw. three fleurs-de-lis or, *Busfield*; 2 and 3, gu. a double-headed eagle displ. or, on a chief of the last a rose gu. betw. two martlets sa., *Atkinson*; a martlet on a mullet for diff. Impaling gu. on a chev. arg. betw. three towers of the second, from which issue demi-lions ramp. or, as many grappling-irons sa., *Priestly*. Inscribed beneath: "This window, described by Dodsworth in the account of his visit in 1621, but subsequently destroyed, was restored by Johnson Atkinson Busfield, Esq. Anno Domini MDCCCLXVIII."

Fixed to the tower walls are the following slabs:—

One 6 ft. 2 in. in length and 2 ft. 2 in. in width, with a bordure of ornament formed of SS.—

D. O. M.

HIC REQUIESCIT IN PACE
SAM: SUNDERLAND
ARMIG^R. QUI ECCLESIIIS
SCHOLIS ET PAUPERIBUS
CENTUM LIBRAS PER
ANNUM LEGAVIT;
NATURÆ DEBITUM
SOLVIT 4^{TO} DIE
FEBRUARII ANNO SALUTIS
1676. VIVIT POST FUNERA
VIRTUS.

And beneath is a shield three lions pass. in pale. Crest, a goat's head erased.

INFRA REPONUNTUR EXUVIÆ
THOMÆ FELL DE MORTON GEN^S
QUI OBIIT PRIMO JULII
ANNO { ÆTATIS SUÆ LXVIII.
SALUTIS NOSTRÆ MDCXCVII.
JOSHUA & MARTHA PIGNORA ELHARA SUI
UT FINE SIC SITU PARUM DISTANT
QUIBUS NIL FELLIS PRÆTOR NOMEN ERAT
QUOS GENIO PARES, AMIS NON LONGE DISPARES
ÆVO IMMATUROS PIETATE MATUROS
MORS PAITÈR RAPUIT IMMATURA
HAC OBIIT 6^O: JULII.
ANNO { ÆTATIS XV.
DOM MDCXCVII.
ILLE OBIIT 19^O JUNII ANNO { ÆTAT: XIII.
DOM MDCXCIX.

* See a paper on "Yorkshire Runic Monuments," in vol. ii. p. 254 of the *Journal of the Yorkshire Archaeological and Topographical Association*, where there is also an engraving of the inscription.

Hic jacet (altered to *Here lyeth*) the body of Mr. Edward, son of Neall Hewit, Esqr., of Dunton Basset in Leicestershire, who departed this life the first of October, 1698, and in the 27th year of his age, being a Boarder with Mr. Edward Ferrand of Harden.

The following inscriptions (unless it is otherwise stated) are not copied verbatim. The sense only is given:—

The Rev. Richard Hartley, A.B., 48 years vicar of this parish. Died 20th April, 1789, aged 75. He was twice married, first to Ann, daughter of John Perkins, M.D., of Netherton near Wakefield, by Elizabeth, relict of Sir William Thornton, Kt., of Thornville, near York, by whom he had two children, Thomas and Ann. She died Aug. 10th, 1845, aged 24 years, and was buried here. Thomas died and was buried at Harrogate Sept. 29th, 1772, aged 31 years; Ann died unmarried 2nd Aug. 1815, aged 71 years. His second wife was Martha, daughter of the Rev. Thomas Hudson, A.B., Master of the Grammar School of Bingley, by whom he had issue Martha and Richard. She died Sept. 1st, 1764, aged 40, and was buried at Bingley. Their surviving children were Martha, wife of Mr. Peter Tolson, of Leeds, and Richard, Vicar of Bingley.

The Rev. Richard Hartley, D.D., 45 years Head Master of the Grammar School of Bingley, and 39 years Vicar of Bingley. Died 26th Oct. 1836, aged 72. Married Charlotte. She died 11th April, 1820, aged 59. His second wife, Mary, eldest daughter of the Rev. R. Hudson of Hipperholme, survived him, and died at Spofforth 28th March, 1844, aged 63, and was buried at Spofforth.

The Rev. Thomas Hudson, A.B., Master of the Grammar School, died 13th May, 1756; and Martha, his wife, died 28th Nov. 1775, aged 75. Their daughter, Martha Hudson, was wife to the Rev. Richard Hartley, Vicar of Bingley.

Mary Hudson, their daughter, died 8th Nov. 1763, aged 29.

Elizabeth Hudson, their daughter, died 27th May, 1781, aged 55.

The Rev. Thomas Hudson, A.B., their son, was Master of the Grammar School at Bingley, Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge. He died in July, 1785, aged 51.

The Rev. Richard Hudson, A.M., their son, fifty-three years Master of the Grammar School at Hipperholme, sixty-five years Lecturer of the parish church of Halifax, Incumbent of Bolstertone, near Sheffield, and Vicar of Cockerham, near Lancaster, died 28th March, 1835, aged 89; buried at Coley Church, near Hipperholme. He was formerly Fellow of Queen's College, Cambridge.

Henry William Oates, Esq., of Field-Head, near Bradford, died 17th April, 1831, in the 70th year of his age. Margaret, his widow, died 12th May, 1844, in her 86th year.

Thomas Rishworth, of Thwaites House, in the parish of Bingley, died 29th Sept. 1809, aged 70. Amy, his wife, died 14th March, 1818, aged 69. Amelia, their daughter, wife of Thomas Whitley, of Bingley, died April 20, 1841, aged 58. Elizabeth, wife of John Craven, of Walk Mill, Keighley, died 25th June, 1859, aged 74.

Arms: Arg. on a chief gu. two crosses flory vair a five foil for diff. On an escu. of pretence gu. on a tuft of rushes ppr. a swan close arg. ducally gorged and chained or.

In the abbey church of Bath lieth the remains of Sarah Ferrand, late of Cottingley House, in Bingley parish; relict of John Ferrand, Esq., of Barnard Castle, co. Durham, who died 17th Feb. 1790, aged 44, and is buried at Sedgfield, in that county. She died 3rd May, 1825, aged 74.

On a slab in the nave floor—

Benjamin Ferrand, Esq., of St. Ives, died 30th Oct. 1803, aged 73.

Edward Ferrand, Esq., also of St. Ives, died 21st March, 1837, aged 59.

Frances, widow of the above-named Edward Ferrand, died Jan. 9, 1861, aged 71.

Mr. John Sedgwick, formerly of Leeds, but late of this place, died Aug. 13, 1791, aged 75 years; also Sarah, wife of the said John Sedgwick, who died May (rest obliterated).

In north aisle—

On the 29th of July, 1747, was buried the body of Thomas Dobson, Esq., of the vicarage, who married Ann Beaumont, one of the daughters of William Beaumont, Esq., of Darton, by whom he had three children—John, Sarah, and Martha. John died a student of Lincoln's Inn, and was buried there 4th March, 1732. Martha was married to Miles Staveley, Esq., of North Staveley, and was interred at Ripon in May, 1738. Sarah was married to Benjamin Ferrand, Esq., of St. Ives, to her first husband, and to Gregory Rhodes, Esq., of Ripon, to her second

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husband. She was here interred 11th April, 1785, and directed this monument to be erected in testimony of respect for her family.

Arms: On a lozenge, per fess, first coat in chief, arg. on a chief gu. two crosslets flory vair for *Ferrand*. Second coat, in base, arg. on a cross engr. betw. four lions ramp. gu. five bezants for *Rhodes*. Over all on (in centre of the lozenge) an escu. arg. a fess embattled counter-embattled (in error for nebuly) gu. betw. six fleurs-de-lis sa. for *Dobson*.

Benjamin Ferrand, Esq., of St. Ives, only son of Benjamin Ferrand, Esq., of St. Ives, by Sarah, daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Dobson, Esq., of the vicarage. He died at Buxton, unmarried, 20th Oct. 1803, aged 75.

Arms: Ferrand—as above. Crest, an armed arm embowed holding a battle-axe.

Arms: Baron and femme. Quarterly 1 and 4, *Busfield*; 2 and 3, *Atkinson*. Impaling, quarterly 1 and 4, *Ferrand*; 2 and 3.....a swan.....*Dale*. Crests, 1. An armed arm erect, holding a fleur-de-lis for *Busfield*. 2. A griffin's head erased. Motto, "In medio tutissimus ibis."

Currer Fothergill Busfield, of Cottingley Bridge, youngest son of Johnson Atkinson Busfield, Esq., and of Elizabeth Busfield, of Rysworth, his wife, lived 55 years, died 30th June, 1832.

Mary Anne Busfield, died 24th Oct. 1817, aged 1.

Annie Isabella Busfield, died 22nd Jan. 1824, aged 4.

Jane Ferrand Busfield, died 17th March, 1824, aged 17.

Sarah Dale Busfield, died 9th July, 1825, aged 17.

Sarah Ferrand erected this monument. She died 30th May, 1854, aged 70.

Jonathan Peile, died Sept. 1782, aged 74.

Ann Peile, his wife, died Jan. 1785, aged 70.

Their children were Benjamin, Sarah, and Christopher.

On the front of the Ferrand pew, over the vestry, carved in oak, is this shield:—

Per pale *Ferrand*, with an escutcheon of pretence, viz., two chev. appointé that in chief reversed and in chief and base a cross crosslet.....for *Twiss*; impaling, erm. a cross patty sa. for *Moss*. Motto, "Justus propositi tenax."

Being the arms of Walker Ferrand, Esq., of Harden Grange, who married, first, Catharine, daughter and heiress of General Twiss; and secondly, Margaret, daughter of John Moss. Mr. Ferrand died 20th Sept. 1835.

On a beautifully carved marble tablet—

Arms (which having been painted only, are now nearly obliterated): Erm. on a chief dancetty gu. three ducal coronets or. Crest, a naked arm, hand grasping a snake.

Under a stone
In the Porch marked D L
Lieth DAVID LEACH,
Of West Riddlesden Hall, Gentleman.
He died 8th Aug. 1752,
Aged 56,
Leaving an Example to Posterity
How great works are to be
Accomplished by Faith
and Perseverance,
to the attainment of Felicity
and for the public Utility
to succeeding
Ages.
Ann, his daughter, died April the 16th,
1744.*

* The Leach family acquired West Riddlesden from the Mauds, whose eventual heiress married John Leach in 1634. This branch of the family became extinct in 1854, and the estate was sold to the Greenwood family.

Upon another finely-carved marble tablet the following shield has been painted, but is now nearly obliterated:—

Baron and femme. *Leach* quartering (a coat indistinct)—impaling erm. on a chief indented az. two estoiles or. *Rayner* quartering.....a chev.....betw.....

THOMAS LEACH,
of the Honourable Societies
of Gray's Inn and Staple Inn, in the
County of Middlesex, Principal
of the latter place, was buried here
the 16th day of June, 1763, aged 63.
He was eldest son of Abraham
Leach, of this Parish, by Hannah,
third daughter of John and
Elizabeth Rayner, of
Liversedge and Holme
Shayes, in this County.
To whose Memory & to
his only Brother John,
who died at Jamaica, in
America, April y^e 3rd, 1725,
this stone was erected
By his Executors.

Thomas Leach, of West Riddlesden Hall, Gent., died 4th May, 1796.

Hannah, his wife, died 7th April, 1788, aged 60.

Elizabeth, his wife, died 11th July, 1807, aged 58.

Also Jane, wife of William Leach, died 20th Nov. 1822, aged 58.

Also Thomas Leach, son of the above-named Thomas and Hannah Leach, died 10th June, 1841, aged 79.

Arms: Quarterly 1 and 4, *Leach*; 2 and 3, arg. a lion ramp. gu.

Caroline, wife of William Busfield, Esq., M.P., of Upwood, and eldest daughter of Captain Charles Wood, R.N., and sister of Sir Francis Lindley Wood, Bart., of Hickleton, died 8th April, 1839.

William Busfield was three times M.P. for Bradford. He died 11th Sept. 1851, aged 78.

Arms: Sa. a chev. betw. three fleurs-de-lis or, *Busfield* quartering vert a stag's head within a bordure engr. or, *Fothergill*.

Ann, daughter of Hugh Curror, of Kildwick, widow and relict of William Busfield, of Leeds, merchant, and Robert Ferrand, of Harden Grange, and mother of William Busfield, of Rysworth, died 9th Nov. 1712, aged 63. Also Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham Fothergill, of London, wife of William Busfield, of Rysworth, died 24th April, 1726, aged 55. William Busfield, died 21st March, 1729, aged 56. Also William Busfield, of Rysworth Hall, their eldest son, died 31st Oct. 1748, aged 50.

Johnson Atkinson Busfield, D.D., Rector of St. Michael, Wood Street, London, and twenty-two years Curate of Carlton, in Craven, where he was interred; born July 4, 1775; died Jan. 12, 1849.

Johnson, youngest son of the above, born 19th Aug. 1825; died 22nd Jan. 1830.

On a slab in nave floor—

Walker Ferrand, Esq., of Harden Grange, died Sept. 20, 1835, aged 55.

Catherine Maria, his wife, only daughter of General Twiss, R.E., who died 15th Feb. 1827, aged 50.

General Twiss, R.E., died at Harden Grange, 14th March, 1827, aged 82; also Elizabeth, relict of General Twiss, died 7th July, 1835, aged 94.

Margaret, relict of the above Walker Ferrand, and eldest daughter of John Moss, Esq., of Otterspool, died 5th Ap. 1846, aged 38.

earlier part of Henry VIII.'s reign, which I have already proved to have been the great era of enlarging and adorning the churches of this district. The choir is said by tradition to have been rebuilt by Richard Wylson, Prior of Drax and Archbishop of Negropont (in partibus), afterwards Bishop of Meath, in Ireland,* and a native of this parish. This opinion is confirmed by the following inscription, copied from the painted glass of the choir window by Dodsworth in 1621 :—

Orate p' bono statu Reverendissimi in Christo Patris Ricardi Wylson, Negroponti
ac Prioris de
Drax et p' amabus Parentum ejus, qui istum Chorum et fenestram fieri fecit,
A.D. MDCXXI, et die mensis Martii MDCXXI.

VICARII DE BINGLEY.

Temp. Inst.	Vicarii Ecclesie.	Patroni.	Vacat.
4 id. Oct. 1275.	Fr. <i>Ric. de Pontefract</i> , Canon de <i>Drax</i> .	Prior et Conv. de <i>Drax</i> .	
16 kal. Aug. 1291.	Fr. <i>W'm. de Roteholm</i> , C. ib'm.	Idem.	per resig.
2 kal. Dec. 1299.	Fr. <i>W'm. de Wylmeley</i> , C. ib'm.	Idem.	
2 id. Jul. 1323.	Fr. <i>Nigel de Abthorp</i> , Can.	Idem.	per resig.
13 kal. Mar. 1339.	Fr. <i>Foh. de Ledes</i> , Can.	Idem.	per resig.
16 Aug. 1348.	Fr. <i>Foh. de Wyghton</i> , C. ib'm.	Idem.	per resig.
24 Sept. 1354.	D's <i>Foh. de Ousthorp</i> , Can.	Idem.	per resig.
19 Jan. 1362.	Fr. <i>Tho. de Berewyks</i> , C. Arm.	Idem.	per mort.
6 Sep. 1369.	Fr. <i>Ric. de Ledes</i> , Can.	Idem.	per resig.
10 Oct. 1391.	Fr. <i>Foh. de Usflet</i> , Can.	Idem.	
	D's <i>Laur. de Dawtre</i> , Can.	Idem.	per mort.
28 Jul. 1399.	Fr. <i>Rob. de Emesay</i> , Can.	Idem.	
19 Oct. 1417.	Fr. <i>Foh. de Usflet</i> , Can.	Idem.	per mort.
11 Feb. 1420.	Fr. <i>Tho. Frost</i> , Can. ib'm.	Idem.	per mort.
8 Mar. 1428.	Fr. <i>W'm. Chippindale</i> , Can.	Idem.	per resig.
19 Nov. 1429.	Fr. <i>Fohn Hunt</i> , Can.	Idem.	
26 Nov. 1464.	Fr. <i>Ric. Swillington</i> , Can.	Idem.	per resig.
13 Oct. 1473.	Fr. <i>Fo. Byngley</i> , Can.	Idem.	per mort.
13 Apr. 1504.	Fr. <i>Fo. Long</i> , Can.	Idem.	per mort.
15 Jun. 1536.	D's <i>Fo. Scholay</i> , Pr.	Rex. <i>Henry VIII.</i>	per mort.
26 Jul. 1537.	D's <i>Alex. Fennyns</i> .	Idem Rex.	
3 Aug. 1572.	<i>Rob. Wood</i> , Cl.	<i>Eliz. Regina</i>	per mort.
15 Jan. 1576.	<i>Sam. Oley</i> , Cl.	Eadem.	per mort.
5 Dec. 1618.	<i>Tho. Howgill</i> , Cl. A.M.	Rex. <i>Fac. I.</i>	per mort.
17 Jun. 1662.	<i>Fon. Fairbank</i> , Cl. A.M.	Rex. <i>Car. II.</i>	per mort.
10 Maii, 1687.	<i>Fac. Roberts</i> , Cl.	<i>Fac. II. Rex.</i>	per resig.
7 Sep. 1710.	<i>Gervas Neville</i> .	<i>Willielmus III. Rex.</i>	per resig.
25 Apr. 1718.	<i>Thomas Ferrand</i> .	Rex. <i>Geo.</i>	per mort.
2 Jan. 1740.	<i>Richard Hartley</i> , A.B.	Rex. <i>Geo. II.</i>	per mort.
26 May, 1791.	<i>Samuel Clapham</i> , A.M.	Rex. <i>Geo. III.</i>	per resig.
28 June, 1797.	<i>Richard Hartley</i> , D.D.	Idem.	
Feb. 1837.	<i>James Cheadle</i> .	Bishop of <i>Ripon</i> .	per mort.
15 March, 1862.	<i>Arthur Parke Irwine</i> , M.A.	Idem.	

The church of Bingley is dedicated to All Souls [All Saints]. It is a discharged living, valued in the king's books at 7*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, and certified to be of the clear yearly value of 42*l.* 16*s.* 1*d.*

* I do not know that the deanery of Craven has given birth to any other bishop, Catholic or Protestant.

[A new parish, with church dedicated to the Holy Trinity, was consecrated in 1868; patron, the Bishop of Ripon. The Rev. Albert Hudson, M.A., is the vicar.]

The progress of population in this parish may be gathered from the following table of baptisms and burials at different periods :—

1577	(when the Register commences),	Baptisms, 41	...	Burials, 30
[They are deficient from 1653 to 1663.]				
1686	...	Baptisms, 54	...	Burials, 44
1741	...	" 77	...	" 75
1778	...	" 115	...	" 95
1802	...	" 133	...	" 88

The cause of this sudden increase is that which every moralist and every lover of his country must deplore.

[The first worsted factory was built here about 1806, and there are now at least twenty large worsted factories.

On Harden Moor in the parish of Bingley, upon a bold and rocky precipice on the right bank of the river Aire and north of Bingley, are some large blocks of millstone grit, one of which is called the Druids' Altar; and tradition has pointed out the spot upon which the sacrifices were made. Another large stone is said to have been the platform for the priests when performing their religious ceremonies. Near this place are remains of the entrenchments thrown up by Sir Thomas Fairfax, the Parliamentary general, who had an encampment here during the Civil Wars, about 1642. The outer earthworks appear to have enclosed the moor from its highest point to the "Pan-holes," or caves overlooking Harden. Many mounds of graves are still visible.

There is a grammar school, founded in the 20th Henry VIII., 1529; augmented by William Wooller by will dated 25th March, 1597; and by 40*l.* by Michael Broadley's will, dated 1613. The income of the school arises chiefly from the rent of 70 a. or 39 p., and from other sources. By a decree of the Lord Chancellor in December, 1820, it was determined that it should be conducted as a free grammar school, for teaching the children of the inhabitants of the parish of Bingley the learned languages. The Rev. Dr. Hartley was master, and the annual value about 400*l.* The present school was built in 1863, and enlarged recently. A new scheme was obtained in 1873. In 1877 the endowment is about 900*l.* a year. John Nicholson, "the Airedale poet," was partly educated at this school. He is buried on the north side of the church, and George Lane Fox, Esq., of Bramham, caused a stone to be erected to his memory.

By a composition made in 1312 between the abbot and monks of Rieval and the prior and convent of Drax about certain tithes in this parish, we learn the names of certain cultivated lands—viz., Dakhus-flat, Nether-stayn-flat, Lang-flat, the field about Belted-banks, Cherry-tree-butts, Oxhus-flat, Over-stayn-flat, Caysel-flat, More-flat, and Huhil. All of these were then cultivated and tithable. The following places were uncultivated—Tomrode, Broadenge *alias* Intak or Munkery, Wilimotrode, the Wynhowe, Overpark, Ryecroft, Collingworth-rode, Smythrode, Oxpark, and Hustubbing. And belonging to the grange of Fawdre: Moreflat, Langmore-flat, Hallested, Lamblegh, Wale, Driflat, Olnescastle-flat, Pineflat, Lang-flat, Hucroft, Pighelees, Cayles-flat, Cote-flat, and Calvepark.—Burt. "Mon." 101.

The following families appear to have owned lands in Bingley:—De Neuhal, De Castlelay, De Baiocis, De Matherley. In 1317 Thomas de Monte Alto was bailiff of Bingley.—Burt. "Mon." 102.]