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FOREWORD

The Church Book of St. Ewen's, Bristol, is the sixth in a series of Bristol and Gloucestershire records issued in accordance with the terms of a legacy left to the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society by the late Mr. Alfred Bruce Robinson. Responsibility for publication was entrusted by the Society to a Records Section, which has already produced two volumes of Marriage Licences and Marriage Allegations and two volumes of parish registers, records in which the late Mr. Robinson was particularly interested. In addition, it has published a complete guide to the Parish Records of Bristol and Gloucestershire. It has in hand the production of a volume dealing with Cheltenham settlement papers and a further collection of Gloucestershire Marriage Allegations, and it hopes in the future to be able to extend the scope of its activities to include non-parochial records.

The Records Section wishes to express its thanks to Miss Betty Masters and to Miss Elizabeth Ralph for transcribing and editing this remarkable Church Book of St. Ewen's which contains so much valuable material relating to the life of an important Bristol parish in the 15th and 16th centuries. It acknowledges with gratitude the kindness of the Revd. S. A. Culverwell and the churchwardens of the parish of Christchurch with St. Ewen who gave permission for the books to be transcribed. Canon A. R. Millbourn gave the editors valuable assistance in transcribing and elucidating the inventories; Professor Angus McIntosh of the University of Edinburgh, and Mr. C. W. Kellaway identified a number of doubtful and obscure words; and Mr. G. Langley of the Bristol Reference Library and Mr. P. E. Jones of the Guildhall Record Office in London were extremely helpful in a number of ways.

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INTRODUCTION

In the Middle Ages there were within the ancient town of Bristol eighteen parish churches of which the church of St. Ewen was one of the oldest. It was on the site where the old Council House now stands in Corn Street, and was one of three churches which stood at the intersection of the four main streets of the Norman town, viz., High Street, Broad Street, Corn Street and Wine Street, which divided the town into four wards. Evidence of its early foundation is the fact that St. Ewen’s gave its name to the ward in which it lay.

The church was founded about 1140 by Robert, earl of Gloucester, who gave it to Thurstan, priest of Bristol. This gift was later confirmed both by earl William, son of Robert, and by Theobald, archbishop of Canterbury. The original grant made by the archbishop still survives and is of great interest in that it is the oldest surviving document in Bristol and that it contains a clause whereby a curse is laid upon anyone who disturbs the church. Later, Thurstan gave the church to the priory of St. James, Bristol, which was a cell of the abbey of Tewkesbury.

The dedication to St. Ewen or St. Owen or, in Latinized form, St. Audoen is an unusual one, and only four others are found in England. St. Owen was bishop of Rouen in the 7th century and was buried in the great church in Rouen which took his name. He was greatly revered in Normandy and so it is not surprising that earl Robert chose this saint as the patron of his church.

The parish of St. Ewen was small, comprising the northern side of Corn Street from the High Cross to a little short of Small Street and the western side of the upper part of Broad Street with the land in the angle between. Little is known about the original church, beyond that when the foundations of the Council House were being excavated in 1824 fragments of columns and capitals of Norman work were discovered. The Norman building was probably wholly or in part rebuilt at the beginning of the 15th century. According to William of Worcester, writing in the latter part of the 15th century, the length of the church was ‘22 virgas’ and the breadth ‘15 virgas’. The east window looked upon Broad Street and the south side of the

1 Dugdale, Monasticon, 1817–1830, vol. ii, p. 70.
2 Bristol Archives Office, P/St.E/A r.
4 F. R. Arnold-Forster, Studies in Church Dedications, vol. 1, p. 476, gives only five instances.
church was flanked by Corn Street. On the north side of the church was the churchyard which was enclosed by a substantial wall. The church had two aisles, the northern being the nave and the southern forming the chapel of St. John Baptist belonging to the Fraternity of the Tailors' Craft. This guild was founded in 1399 by John Thorpe and John Sherp or Sharp by licence of Richard II and it may well have been that it was at this time that the church was rebuilt, for the foundation charter refers to the building and founding of the chapel.

After the dissolution of the chantries, the rector and parishioners in 1551 surrendered all rights and interest in the chapel to the Corporation of Bristol in consideration of an annual rent of 6s. 8d. so that the Corporation might rebuild and extend the Tolzey. It seems that the Tolzey described by William of Worcester, which stood on the corner of Broad Street and Corn Street in the angle formed by the east end of the chapel of St. John Baptist and the south side of the chancel, had been established some time after 1459 by the conversion of a former large dwelling house. William of Worcester says of it that there was a space on the ground floor open to the pavement 'with a ceiling covered with a flat roof of lead' which was known as the Counter. The Council House was over this and had an entry in Corn Street. With the demolition of the chapel the church was left with one aisle only to which the parishioners built a tower in the churchyard in 1631. No doubt the church was large enough for the small congregation, as it was cited on the chantry certificates as having a houling population of 56. In 1657 the Council sought means to acquire the church and convert it into a library, joining the parish with that of All Saints. Although they succeeded in obtaining an act of Parliament for vesting the church in the Corporation for use as a library, or other purposes, the conversion was never put into effect and St. Ewen's remained as a parish church until 1787. An Act was then passed for taking down the church and joining the parish with that of Christchurch. The

1 Bristol Archives Office, 4954(1).
2 See pp. xxii-xxiii. There was an earlier and possibly smaller Tolzey near the church, see p. 256.
4 Ricart records in 1532 that "this yere the drapery worke in tymbre and the paynted or stayned cloths were made and ordained within the Comptoir of the comen audience of the said Maire". Ricart, The Mair of Brisowe is Kalendar, ed. L. Toumin-Smith, Camden Society, New Series, vol. 5, 1872, p. 52.
7 Act for levying rates for maintenance of ministers and granting St. Ewen's for a public library, 17 September 1657.
8 28 Geo. III, cap. 67.
9 Plans of site in 1788 showing the church and churchyard, Bristol Archives Office, 00228(22).
church was not finally demolished until 1820, when plans were prepared for the extending and rebuilding of the Council House.

THE MANUSCRIPTS

The Church Book. Books containing inventories of church goods, churchwardens' accounts, lists of benefactors and other memoranda of a date earlier than the Reformation have survived for three of Bristol's ancient parish churches, St. Ewen, All Saints, and St. John Baptist. All three volumes, together with the other parish records, are now deposited in the Bristol Archives Office.

The volume of the parish of St. Ewen covers 1454-1584 and is now known as the Church Book although in the 17th century it was sometimes referred to as the 'ould liger'. According to a Latin inscription on the first leaf the book was made in the year 1455, William Boxe, spicer, giving the paper and Henry Brown, brewer, paying for the binding. The volume measures 12 x 8 inches and is still in its original binding of leather and oak boards. The numbering of the folios is not contemporary with the text.

The contents of the volume are as follows:

An unnumbered folio bearing an inscription concerning the making of the book.

ff.1-5 An inventory of the books, vestments, jewels and other ornaments of the church taken 16th April 1455, to which many additions and some alterations were subsequently made.

ff.8-16v Two accounts concerning the rebuilding of the church house in 1493 which were kept independently of the annual accounts of the proctors or churchwardens and were entered on some of the formerly blank pages following the inventory.

ff.23-42, 46v-128 A series of detailed annual accounts of the proctors from 1454-55 to 1497-98 lacking only two years, 1479-80 and 1496-97.

ff.42v-46 Copies of documents and a narrative of events during an action for recovery of rent brought by the parish

1 All Saints' Book contains inventories of 1397 and 1469, ordinances, lists of benefactors and churchwardens' accounts 1407-82 (incomplete) but was compiled towards the end of this period, all material up to 1469 being in the hand of Maurice Hardwicke. The Book was continued after Hardwicke's death in 1472 until 1482. See E. G. F. Atchley, On the Parish Records of the Church of All Saints, Bristol, Trans. Bristol & Glos. Arch. Soc., vol. xxvii, pp. 221-74. An incomplete series of separate annual paper accounts of the churchwardens beginning in 1466 also survives for this parish.

2 St. John's Book was begun in 1469 and covers 1469-1581. The early pages include an inventory of 1470, ordinances and memoranda of chantries and obits established in the church. The volume contains no detailed churchwardens' accounts for the 15th century.
against John Sharp in 1463 and a record of an award of arbitration between the parish and Geoffrey Griffith in 1463 also concerning arrears of rent. These were entered before the account for 1463-64.

ff.129-141 The proctors’ accounts for 1501-02 (incomplete), 1500-01, 1514-15, 1515-16, 1516-17, 1517-18. All the above have been transcribed.

ff.142-163v After 1518 the character of the Church Book changes. With the exception of an incomplete account for 1559-61, no further detailed accounts are entered but from 1525 until 1584 there is for every year save two a memorandum of the annual acquaintance of the senior proctor. In phraseology these memoranda, which from 1549 are usually subscribed by the signatures of a number of the parishioners, contain much that is common form, particularly in the later part of the period. There are also occasional memoranda of other matters, e.g. sale of plate.

This part of the Church Book has been calendared.

The Church Book is written in many hands over a period of one hundred and thirty years, and the later entries, particularly those after about 1490, show a decline in calligraphy and literacy from the standards of the earlier years. The original inventory, the early accounts, the proceedings in the action against Sharp, were well written with a careful attention to abbreviation marks and to the use of the point as a mark of punctuation. In later hands punctuation disappears, genuine signs of suspension or contraction are difficult to distinguish from mere final flourishes and on occasion a combination of two or three letters degenerates into an indeterminate squiggle. Although few payments relative to the writing of the accounts are found, it seems very probable that the proctors of the early period employed a clerk to enter them in the Church Book. Some of the later accounts may well be in the proctors’ own hands. The personal pronoun, I, is found in the headings of one of the building accounts of 1493 and of the proctors’ accounts of 1515-17.

The text may be of some interest to students of the English language for its inclusion of obsolete words or spellings or words of West Country usage and also for the pronunciation of locally spoken English of the period. Many of the more eccentric spellings of the

1 The only material omitted is certain repetitious entries of the rent roll, see p. 71, note 3.

2 The parish of St. John the Baptist passed an ordinance in 1472 permitting the proctors to employ a writer, ‘they beuyng no clerkes nothir haungyng the connyng of wrytyng shal lume take thyme a wryter to write such thynes as is necessary and behovable as towychyn to theyr accompte . . . and to geve the sayd writer for his labor xij.d.’. St. John’s Book, f.10v.
Later accounts are clearly phonetic in origin, e.g. chorge for church, jambur for chamber, jarche for charge, St. Tewens for St. Ewens.

The early hands made extensive use of the rune Thorn in initial, medial and final positions. Yogh is used with much frequency up to 1470 and occasionally thereafter in words such as zere (year), azenst (against) and in place of the modern gh in words such as knyzt (knight), dozter (daughter) and throz (through). The account of Thomas Apowell in respect of the rebuilding of the church house in 1493 has a special peculiarity in that the writer uses many times a symbol identical with that used for yogh followed by an e, thus 3e, in a context which makes it clear that the meaning is half but we are unable to suggest what word is intended.

Craft or trade is frequently given in place of the personal surname. Thus, Richard Waxmaker or Davy Peynter was obviously a sufficient identification for the proctors. For us it is less satisfactory although sometimes a later entry giving both surname and occupation comes to our aid. Alice Silkwoman, for example, may be identified with Alice Arnold, silkwoman, and Thomas Barbour with Thomas Philips, barber. But Geoffrey Vestmentmaker and others remain known to us only by their crafts.

The Account Book. It is obvious that each year the proctors must have first drawn up their accounts in rough or draft form. As is shown above, these accounts were entered in the Church Book regularly up to 1498, sporadically between 1498 and 1518 and thereafter not at all. These rough accounts were probably in the form of small paper books, and accounts in this form survive among Bristol parish records for All Saints and Christ Church for the 16th century, and for All Saints, Christ Church, Temple and St. Thomas for the 17th century. Doubtless it was intended that these books when not fair copied into the Church Book should be preserved as a subsidiary record to the annual audit of the account, but they were of their very nature liable to loss and destruction and none are now extant for St. Even’s parish. In 1619, however, a number of these accounts were still in existence and were copied by John Addison, with the consent of all the parishioners, into a book now known as the Account Book but which in the 17th century was sometimes referred to as the ‘new liger’. The book continued in use until 1632 and is in Addison’s hand to 1626. Measuring 14½ x 8½ inches, it has been rebound in a 17th century calf binding with a red label on the front cover lettered in gold, ‘Accompte Book of the Parish of St. Ewins from 1548 to 1632’. The pagination is modern. The accounts for 1618–19 and 1619–20 include items of is. 1d. for ‘three quier of demi paper Ryall for the

1 The late Professor T. F. Reddaway has drawn our attention to the use of the same combination, 3e, with the same meaning, in the Account Book of John Balsall of Bristol dated 1480 in the Record Book of the Bridgnorth Mercers at Mercers Hall, London.
booke of the Accomptes new coppied out' and of 5s. and 15s. paid to Addison for the work of copying.

The first twenty-four accounts copied into the Account Book fall within the period of the Church Book: 1547-48, 1551-52, 1552-53, 1554-55 and twenty accounts between 1561-62 and 1583-84. As none was entered in the Church Book and as they provide an informative contrast with the pre-Reformation accounts in the Church Book and also include a number of rates on householders and other lists of parishioners, these twenty-four copy accounts have been transcribed in Appendix A. It must be emphasized that it is the accounts only which have been transcribed, not the whole of the Account Book for the period 1547-1584. A later hand than Addison's has added various notes on formerly blank pages and spaces between the accounts, e.g. the names of the proctors, taken from the Church Book, for the years for which no accounts were entered. None of this material is included in the Appendix. Moreover it is clear that many of the accounts which Addison copied lacked adequate headings and in copying he sometimes ascribed them to the wrong years and in consequence entered them in the Account Book in the wrong order. By comparison with the memoranda of the annual audit in the Church Book and sometimes by internal evidence it has been possible to date the accounts correctly, and in Appendix A they are transcribed in chronological sequence and not in the order of entry of the Account Book.

Since the original accounts are lacking it is impossible to say how closely Addison followed their lay-out. For example, pounds, shillings and pence are set out in these copy accounts in three separate columns, in contrast to the 15th century accounts in the Church Book where all sums of money are placed in a single column, but it cannot be said whether Addison was imposing a form familiar to him or faithfully copying his original. Certain peculiarities of spelling are almost certainly attributable to misreadings by Addison and some apparent discrepancies in arithmetic may be due to copying errors.

It is only in the last four of these accounts that the title of church-warden is found. Before this these officers were described as procurators or proctors. The latter title has been used throughout this Introduction.

Deeds and Documents. The surviving records of the parish of St. Ewen include a number of property deeds, agreements and other documents. A selection from these, either contemporary with the Church Book or, if earlier, having some reference to the origin of rents received by the proctors, has been calendared as Appendix B.

1 The three column form was used in the accounts of All Saints in the year 1562 and from 1570 onwards, in those of St. John from 1566 and of Christ Church from 1596.
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THE INVENTORY

The making during the year 1454–55 of the great processional cross, hung with images of St. Ewen, Our Lady, St. John, St. Katherine, St. Margaret, St. John the Evangelist, the four evangelists and four patriarchs and weighing, independently of the inner bar of iron, 116 ounces of gold and silver, was so expensive and important a transaction that it may well have prompted both the making of the Church Book for the purpose of recording the proctors' accounts and the taking of the inventory of 1455 in which the cross is listed first among the jewels of the church.

The inventory, with its later additions, is comprehensive, listing the ladder giving access to the steeple and numerous towels of twilly and plain cloth along with the major possessions of the church. In its description of books it is unusually detailed identifying them by quotation of key phrases and reference to illuminated capitals. St. Ewen's was well provided with service books having in 1455 of the Salisbury Use two mass books and two grails for the altar service of the mass, an antiphoner, a portas, two psalters, two hymners, an ordinal and a legend for the canonical hours, two manuals for the occasional offices and three processionals, as well as six old books, no longer used, which were not of the Salisbury rite. In the matter of vestments St. Ewen's in 1455 was rather less well provided than either All Saints' or St. John's in 1469–70 but nevertheless it could muster a 'best suit' with cope, chasuble, two tunicles, three albs and three amices, two other cope, four 'pairs' of vestments consisting of chasuble, alb and amice and another chasuble. During the remainder of the 15th century the parish acquired by gift or purchase other books, pieces of plate and vestments, the making in 1473–74 of the vestments of blue velvet for £30 being one of the largest items of expenditure in the accounts of the 15th century proctors.

It is principally from the inventory, supplemented by items from the accounts, that our knowledge of the interior of St. Ewen's church is derived. The high altar is described in 1455 as having an alabaster 'table' or retable with the gilded figures of Our Lady and the twelve apostles beneath. There were three other altars, dedicated to Our Lady, St. Katherine and St. Margaret, as well as the altar in the chantry chapel of the Fraternity of St. John Baptist. Grants of rents

1 Inventories of this date in the books of All Saints' and St. John's. The 1469 inventory of All Saints' includes many of the items listed in an inventory of 1397 of the same church.

2 The sculptured alabaster for which English craftsmen were famous in the 15th century was clearly to be found in many Bristol churches. The inventory in St. John's Book includes alabaster retables to the altars of Our Lady and St. Michael, and among the records of the parish of St. James is a contract of 1436 with two Staffordshire carvers for an alabaster reredos to the high altar to be made similar to the reredos in St. Stephen's church.

3 St. Katherine of Alexandria and St. Margaret of Antioch, both of whom enjoyed great popularity in the Middle Ages.
to the service of the Blessed Virgin Mary, dating from soon after 1270, are to be found among the surviving deeds of the parish, and the maintenance of lights before the images of Our Lady and St. Katherine, together with those before the rood, and the provision of the great paschal and font tapers account for the greater part of the proctors' annual expenditure on wax. The image of the Virgin was provided in 1475-76 with a new pinnacled tabernacle hung with a curtain of linen cloth with fringed valance. There is no reference in the inventory or in the accounts to an image of St. Margaret but there was a statue of St. Audoen or St. Ewen which probably stood against the east wall to the north of the high altar, a usual place for an image of the patron saint. The additions to the inventory of 1455 include a branch with three bowls of latten bought by the parish with gathering money for use before St. Ewen's image, but the lights burning there are never singled out in the accounts for separate mention. All three images in the church were provided, by gift of individual parishioners, with 'coats' or robes of costly material, purple velvet for the Virgin, satin of cypress for St. Katherine and tissue, a rich fabric interwoven with gold or silver, for St. Ewen.

The chantry chapel of St. John Baptist which occupied the whole of the south aisle of the church was separated from the nave by pillars, decorated with marble and other colours, and screens. The furnishings of this chapel and its altar were almost entirely the responsibility and property of the Fraternity of the Tailors' Craft; but the parish included in its own inventory several cloths which were used to cover the rood in the chapel, the Trinity above the rood and Our Lady, St. Anne and St. John in the same chapel as well as 'ij shurtes and ij smal cappes of lyn cloth for our lord ys armes' at St. John's altar.

THE PROCTORS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS

The Church Book does not contain any record of the election of new proctors but from the accounts it is clear that from 1454 to 1501 two proctors were chosen each year who were jointly responsible for the annual account and who were customarily discharged of their office at the end of one year. Only when exceptional circumstances demanded a degree of continuity did the two proctors serve for a second or third successive term. Instances are the heavy cost of the making of the new cross which was met by contributions spread over several years, an untoward occurrence such as the death of the parson causing a vacancy at the time of audit or an outstanding and

1 See Appendix B, pp. 252-53, 256, P/St.E/D2,3,5(a) and 16.
2 Inventories of the possessions of the Chantry Chapel, the earliest dating from 3 Henry IV, are to be found in the Tailors' Company Hall Book. Bristol Archives Office 4954(3).
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expensive event such as the law suit against John Sharp. In the last instance the parson was joint accountant with the proctors in the account for their second term.

In the early years of the 16th century an unrecorded change took place in the method of electing the proctors, and the parish of St. Ewen adopted the not uncommon procedure, providing a built-in measure of continuity, whereby one proctor was elected each year to serve for a period of two years to be responsible, as senior proctor, for the account during the second year of his term of office. From 1515 to 1584 only one proctor, who is occasionally called the head proctor, presents the annual account.1

It was quite usual for a parishioner, particularly a man of some substance, to hold office as proctor more than once, for example, the goldsmiths, Richard Kere (3 times) and William Philips (3), the merchants, Thomas Apowell (5), William Apowell (4) and William Rowley (4) and the tailors, John Wolf (5) and Thomas Dene (5), members of the craft whose chantry chapel was in St. Ewen’s church. One woman is found serving as proctor, Mistress Margery Mathew, widow of John Mathew, benefactor of the church, who presented her account in 1528.

In the 15th century the ‘year’ of the account was a variable period which ranged from little short of thirteen to little more than eleven months. It began before Easter, in March, early April or exceptionally in February, and was always concluded before Easter in the following year but the actual dates have no relationship to Easter. For the 16th century when many detailed accounts are missing and the others lack full headings, the span of the account is given in only two instances, from Palm Sunday to Palm Sunday in 1570–71 and from Lady Day to Lady Day in 1581–82. In the 15th century the audit would seem usually to have been held on the day on which the account was closed,2 but in the 16th century it did not take place for several months, and occasionally it was made as late as the February of the succeeding year.

The audit, and indeed any important financial decision, was taken at an assembly of the parson and parishioners. The latter are frequently anonymous but it is certain that at any time during our period only householders, and probably only a group within them, were effectively concerned. Nine men are named who with the parson and ‘others of the parish’ were present in 1455; the parson, eight named parishioners and ‘diverse others’ came to an agreement in 1497 about the distress which might be levied from John Smyth’s house; and John Seger, late proctor, made a deposition concerning his

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1 This procedure was also adopted in St. Stephen’s, Bristol. Articles for the good rule and government of that parish made in 1524 provided that the principal proctor should account each year. Bristol Archives Office 08153(4).
2 This is specifically stated in some of the early accounts and may perhaps be assumed in other instances from the absence of any other given date.
lost account before eleven named parishioners in 1501. From 1549 to
1584 when the record of the annual acquittance is subscribed by
witnesses and when the rates in the Account Book show the number
of households contributing to the minister’s wages as about twenty,
the number of parishioners’ signatures varies from four to eleven. Among these signatures a few names recur with great frequency. In the thirty-one years for which signatures appear John Sprint signs on twenty-eight occasions, Nicholas Ware twenty-three, and Thomas Symons, who died about 1580, twenty-one times. Harry Gibson signed thirteen times between 1562 and 1584 and Richard Merick eleven times between 1558 and 1573. Sprint and Symons were among the most highly rated of the householders, both paying 13s. 4d. a year towards the minister’s wages. Merick paid 6s. 8d., Ware usually 4s. and Gibson only 2s. or 2s. 8d. Occasionally the proctor himself signed the memorandum. From 1556 to 1579 the church was without a rector and the proctors are said to account only before the parish. The signatures of the ministers or curates who officiated during this period are found only four times.

The parish reserves of money, together with small objects of value, were kept in what is variously termed the box, the purse, the bag or the coffer or, with more precision in 1465, ‘the purs yn the tresur cofur’. Among the several chests listed in the inventory was ‘j.lytel cofur ordeyned yn the gret cofur. for the tresour of the church’. Up to 1540 it was usual for a surplus of receipts over payments in any one year to be placed in the purse. After this date any such balance is normally transferred to the new proctor who accounts for it in his own account.

PARISH EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

In considering and interpreting the proctors’ accounts, it is necessary to bear in mind that the annual account does not necessarily present a complete record of parochial receipts and expenses. The parishioners might bear financial burdens in the form of rates or collections which, if they were devoted solely to the purpose for which they were raised, were probably omitted from both receipts and payments. In this connection the petition3 of Thomas Syward, who became rector of St. Ewen in 1459, complaining of the losses occasioned when a ‘chief place’ within the parish

1 The yearly acquittance of the churchwardens of St. John’s parish is subscribed from 1561 by the signatures of a small group of parishioners, usually five to eight.

2 The total in the purse, when given, often equals the total in the previous year plus or minus the sum due from or to the proctors on their account but it does not always do so and it would seem that there were occasional withdrawals from the purse which are not explained in the accounts.

fell into the hands of the town authorities to be made a counter and so ceased to be a dwelling place, is of interest. Among the burdens borne by the former inhabitants of this house were tithes and offerings to the parson, the church cake and candles and 'to the parysshe clerk his quartrages'. This last certainly refers to a rate and in 1521 we find John Mathew in his will leaving 6s. 8d. to the clerk's wages yearly upon condition that the poorest householders of the parish might thereby be eased of his wages. Yet in many years there is no reference to the clerk's wages in the proctors' accounts in either receipts or payments, and in other years such items as 'to fulfill the Clerkes wages, xj.d.' or 'for halfe yer ys wages to the clerk, vj.d.' obviously indicate that the proctors are making up the balance of an insufficient collection which does not appear in the receipts at all.

The church cake or holy loaf, which was leavened bread blessed by the parson after mass and distributed to the congregation to be eaten as a symbol of brotherly love, was probably provided by the householders in rotation. An occasion in 1464 when Elizabeth, wife of John Sharp, brought the cake with candles to the church one Sunday, 'hyr mayden beryng the same after hyr', is described in the course of the law suit against her husband.

It is probable that the tithes referred to by Syward in his petition were also raised by a rate. Tithes in a town parish such as St. Ewen's would have been personal tithes, payable on the profits of trade or craft and on wages, which were extremely difficult of assessment. London had adopted a plan for the payment of these tithes by means of a charge on the houses of the tithe payers varying with the rent of the house, and the Act 2& 3 Edward VI c.13 permitted the continuation of this system in London, Canterbury and any town or place 'that hathe used to paye their tithes by their houses'. It is more than likely that Bristol had followed London's example in this.

However, despite certain known omissions and the possibility of others, the surviving pre-Reformation accounts may fairly be described as full and detailed, yielding information touching many aspects of the life of the parish. The sources of income of the proctors and the objects of their expenditure are undoubtedly those of numerous other pre-Reformation parishes. Yet some analysis of their relative importance one with another may be of interest.

What may be considered the regular and routine expenditure of the proctors of St. Ewen's in the second half of the 15th century amounted to not more than £2 or £3 a year. Of the annually recurring

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1 Presumably the Tolzey.
2 Bristol Archives Office 00859(6).
3 Articles for the good rule and government of St. Stephen's, Bristol, made in 1524 provided that the householders should pay the clerk's wages and bear the church cake. Bristol Archives Office 08153(4).
expenses the heaviest charge was the payments for wax and the making of candles for devotional purposes which, together with a small sum spent on tallow candles and lamp oil for lighting the church, rarely amounted to less than 10s. and on occasion exceeded 30s. Apart from the provision of ceremonial candles, especially important at Easter and Whitsun, a few pence sufficed for the charges of the church festivals with the exception of Corpus Christi when the costs, including a dinner, came to several shillings.\(^1\) The accounts of the last few years of the century do not refer to the dinner but list small payments to the parson, one or two priests, the clerk, the bearers of the cross, banners and candlesticks and 4d. for a breakfast for those who took part in the choir service. By 1516–17 the cost of the Corpus Christi breakfast had risen to 1s. 8d. Accounts for the following years are missing but in 1536 the charge was limited by ordinance of the parish to 2s. It was still 2s. when it was last paid in 1547.

Another annual expense was the cost of the General Mind, a commemoration of the dead benefactors of the church,\(^2\) when a dirge and mass were sung by the parson assisted by two or three priests and by the clerk. Cakes made of meal or wheat, milk, butter and cream and flavoured with saffron were baked for the feast which followed. The costs increased in the course of the century, the lowest charge recorded being 2s. 2\(\frac{1}{4}\)d. in 1455–56 and the highest 7s. 3d. in 1488–89 and 1500–1501.\(^4\)

Other small recurring payments included the cleansing of the church, the scouring of the ornaments, the washing of the church cloths and an annual payment to the cathedral church of Worcester. Every year saw also the need for one or more of a wide variety of repairs, from the mending of a chalice to the mending of a lock, and of purchases, from a surplice for the parson to a rope for the bells. Few years passed without payments for materials and wages for work upon the fabric and fittings of the church or church house or upon the churchyard but many of these payments were for maintenance and repair work of a minor character and may be considered part of the proctors’ routine expenses.

\(^1\) The costs are usually given as a total only but in 1486–87, 1489–90 and 1490–91 purchases of food are detailed. St. John’s Book, f.111, has an ordinance of 1472 limiting expenses in that parish on Corpus Christi “in a dinner to the parson prestis and clerks that were att the procession with the pareshe and attended to the worship of the same” to 3s.

\(^2\) Only one individual obit is referred to in the accounts in the Church Book. This was Gyles’ mind, on which the proctors are recorded as spending 1s. 4d. in 1514–15 and the next three years. The preceding accounts are missing and nothing has been traced as to the origin of this obit or the identity of Gyles.

\(^3\) Given in total only in the early accounts but in 1471–72 and in almost every year from 1478–79 the expenses are listed in detail.

\(^4\) St. John’s Book, f.10v, has an ordinance of 1472 limiting the cost of the general obit in that parish to 6s. 8d.
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In contrast to these expenses which, as has been said, amounted only to £2 or £3 a year, were the very much larger sums which were laid out to meet certain occasional and exceptional charges such as the acquisition of major items of plate or vestments, the more important building work or the heavy expenses of the occasional law suit. Not less than £25 was paid for the new cross made in 1454-55,1 £5 8s. 4d. for the silver censer of 1466-67, £6 14s. 2d. for the black worsted vestments of 1472-73, and £30 for the blue velvet suit in the next year. The actions for recovery of rents against John Sharp and Geoffrey Griffith cost the parish nearly £7 of which the greater part was paid in 1463-64. There was no major alteration to the fabric of the church which throughout retained its simple plan, but even maintenance costs could prove heavy. Retiling the church roof in 1467-68 cost £6 9s. 8d. and in 1477-78 payments to masons and carpenters, including the cost of work upon the altars, totalled almost £10. The rebuilding of the church house in 1493, of which more is said below, cost over £38.

Clearly in such cases the ordinary income of the proctors would prove inadequate. A high proportion of these exceptional costs, particularly in those instances where the expenditure was for the purpose of the ceremonial worship of the church, was met by contributions in money from the faithful. The sums given to the cross and the blue velvet suit suggest that in these instances the scale of the parishioners' contributions may have been determined by an assessment. Where appropriate, materials as well as money might be given. The goldsmiths, Richard Batyn and Robert Hynde, gave two ounces and one ounce of silver respectively to the censer, and many persons gave broken silver to the cross. Occasionally gifts were made of goods which might be sold for the church's profit. It may be assumed that most of those named as donors were parishioners of St. Ewen's but the biggest single gift in money towards the blue velvet vestments, £6 13s. 4d., more than a fifth of their cost, was made by Alsyn (Alice) Chester, wealthy parishioner and munificent benefactor of All Saints.

The profits from ale-selling, either by the proctors of ale bought by them or given by the parishioners or by the parishioners themselves, was an important source of extra-ordinary income, contributing as much as £5 11s. 6d. towards the cost of the cross and £4 3s. 2d. towards that of the silver censer. Gifts in money and the proceeds of ale-selling together provided more than two-thirds of the £30 required for the blue velvet vestments. A minor source of income somewhat similar to the profits of ale-selling was the money raised on occasions when dancing, probably by the women of the parish, took place. In

1 No payments either in detail or in total are recorded for the materials and workmanship of the cross, the cost of which must be deduced from the monies devoted to this purpose.
1464-65 towards the expenses of making the churchyard wall the proctors received from John Nancothan 10s. 1d. of 'old dancing money' left in his daughter's hands as well as 3s. 10d. 'of daunsyng mony our dedycacion day this 3er'.

The remainder of the sum required over and above what could be raised by gifts and ale-selling was met from the surplus of the proctors' ordinary receipts over their ordinary payments. The whole of the credit balances in the years 1454-55 and 1455-56 were devoted to the making of the new cross. The reserves of money in the purse could also be called upon when necessary.

Apart from these extra-ordinary receipts, the proctors had other sources of income. One was the offering made each year by the parishioners on Good Friday and Easter Day for which the highest sum received was 14s. 2½d. in 1455-56. A small sum was derived in almost every year from payments by a few of the parishioners for seats in the church for themselves or their womenfolk, the most usual price being 6d. a seat. These payments probably purchased a life tenancy. Until 1479, but rarely thereafter, a few pence were received each year for sale of wax candles, this small sum being accorded the dignity of a separate heading in the account. Occasional receipts came from the sale of church goods such as old building materials, old vestments or wax, from small sums of 2d. or 4d. for the hire of the best cross for use at funerals, or from charges for burials within the church. Richard Batyn and David Lewes, for example, paid 4s. 0d. and 3s. 4d. respectively for the burying of their wives; for their own graves 6s. 8d. was received. Thomas Apowell paid 3s. 4d. for his mother's burial and 1s. 8d. for that of his servant. The account of 1493-94 records several burials in the processional way in the church for which no charge was made because the churchyard had been polluted by Watkin Roy's wife. It was again desecrated in 1498 by Agnes, wife of Walter White alias Maughan, but the occasion of neither offence is recorded. Both involved the parish in some expense before burials could be resumed. On the first occasion the parson, and on the second the clerk, rode to Yatton for consultation with the vicar who was then vicar general of the bishop of Worcester. Their expenses and gifts of wine and of a 'Portyngale skyn' to the vicar general are recorded.1 A bond concerning observance of the judgement in 1498 survives among the parish records.2

The staple of the proctors' regular income, however, was the rent roll which for much of the 15th century totalled £3 19s. 10d.

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1 These charges in 1493 were paid by Thomas Apowell. It is to be presumed that he acted in his capacity as proctor for 1492-93 but he listed the charges at the end of his account for the rebuilding of the church house, see p. 22, and they were settled as part of this account. The expenses in 1498 appear in the proctors' account for 1497-98.

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THE RENTS

The highest rent was received in respect of the property described in the 15th century as 'the church place', 'our place', 'the church house' or by the name of its tenant, e.g. 'John Wolf's house'. This stood in Broad Street on the north side of the parsonage and the tenant paid 33s. 4d. a year to the proctors and 3s. 4d. to the parson. The parish must have been responsible for repairs and maintenance, for payments for work upon the house occur frequently, but whether church ales and other social gatherings were held in a room in this house does not appear in the accounts. The house was in fact the only one owned by the parish and could have taken its name of church house simply from this.

In 1493 this house was rebuilt, a major undertaking by the parish. The accounts relative to the rebuilding, which with the demolition of the old house occupied the greater part of a year, were kept successively by John Smyth and Thomas Apowell, neither of whom was proctor at the relevant time, and were entered near the beginning of the Church Book on blank leaves following the inventory. They show stone for the house being brought from Abbot's Leigh and Hanham, and timber from Clifton and Magor in Monmouthshire. Some of the timber, which was chiefly elm, was stored until needed in the Tailors' court. Special stones for the chimneys and windows were brought from Redcliffe and Dundry. Two Irishmen were employed as casual labour on the demolition of the old house and 'letill children' were paid a penny for carrying tile stones. There is evidence of the dumping of rubbish in the Marsh where Buck the hallier carried forty-six vats. The building included a shop and two penthouses and was gabled with two cocklofts under the ridge of the roof but of its height and plan nothing is known. The costs, including materials and wages, totalled over £38. Nearly half of this money was quickly forthcoming by means of gifts, the profits of ale-selling and sales of old building materials, supplemented by a loan of £5 in ready money by Mistress Spencer against the security of a chalice. The considerable debts remaining due upon the building accounts from the parish to both Smyth and Apowell were only gradually reduced by such means as the transfer of balances from the proctors' annual accounts and of sums received for arrears of other rents, and neither account was finally settled until 1504.

After rebuilding the rent was raised to 46s. 8d. but it seems from the accounts that the proctors paid to the parson the 3s. 4d. p.a. which he had formerly received direct from the tenant. In 1514–15 considerable repairs to the church house were undertaken. In that year the town clerk was paid 4d. for drawing up a bond between the church and the church house and the rent paid was 40s. A lease of

1 In addition to Smyth's and Apowell's accounts, a few items were entered in the proctors' account of 1492–93.

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1543, which still survives, set the rent at 33s. 4d. again with the tenant responsible for maintenance and the proctors undertaking to pay 3s. 4d. yearly to the parson. The property is not named as the church house in this lease.

The other rents payable in the 15th century were all quit rents or rents in acknowledgement of easements, and the origin of most of them can be traced to deeds which have survived among the parish records. Rents of 10s. and 1s. out of property in Baldwin Street and Lewins Mead respectively have their origin in grants to the church by the Welyschote family in the late thirteenth century. A quit rent of 30s. out of a shop in Corn Street was created in 1365 when the parish relinquished to John Rede both a rent of 10s. payable under a lease of 1340 and the right of reversion at the determination of that lease. The parish’s title to this shop may also have originated with John Welyschote for it is almost certainly to be identified with the shop adjoining property of the Priory of Kington St. Michael which is mentioned in a deed of 1321 as having been bequeathed to the chantry of the Blessed Virgin Mary in St. Ewen’s church. A rent of 4s. issuing out of property in Corn Street, which from 1460 to 1552 is named the Three Cups, was first payable in 1369 as an easement rent for a house built against the west wall of the churchyard. Sir John Hungerford sold the Three Cups, described as an inn, to John Mathew in 1511. The origin of three small rents of 6d. each cannot be identified with certainty, but one, payable in lieu of a pound of wax in the 15th century by the holder of John Taverner’s interest and paid in the 16th century by John Merrick who held the house next the Tolzey, may perhaps tentatively be identified with an easement rent payable under a deed of 1356 by Walter Frompton.

From 1521 to 1553 the rent roll was augmented by a rent of 33s. 4d. out of a house in Marsh Street which was bequeathed to the parish in the will of John Mathew. Of this 6s. 8d. was to be used to relieve poor householders of their contributions to the clerk’s wages, 6s. 8d. for a yearly obit for the souls of himself, his wives Elizabeth, Julian and Anne and his children, 6s. 8d. for prayers every Sunday for his soul and those of his wives by name in the bede roll, and the remainder for the maintenance of the house. Mathew, whom we have already met as the purchaser of the Three Cups, desired to be buried in the church of St. Ewen where he had already paid for the

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1 Appendix B, p. 257, P/St.E/D19.
5 Appendix B, p. 253, P/St.E/D5a.
7 Bristol Archives Office 00569(10).
8 So described in the account of 1559–61, see p. 175.
10 Bristol Archives Office 00859(9).
graves of at least two of his wives, his mother and a daughter. His widow, Margery, became proctor of St. Ewen's a few years later. In 1553 the parish's title to the property in Marsh Street was successfully challenged at law by an unknown claimant. To defray the expenses of this law suit the parish sold two chalices and an oil vat.

With the exception of the 30s. rent for the shop in Corn Street, all the rents on the 15th century rent roll are still to be found at the end of our period in 1584. This shop stood void for sixteen years before 1573 when it was in the tenure of John Holester. In 1576–77 Holester paid the parish a quit rent of 10s. out of his house in Wine Street which was to be raised after an unspecified number of years to 30s. 'which the parish knoweth'. No agreement with Holester survives. A rent of 10s. is recorded in the remaining accounts to 1584. The rent roll in the second half of the 16th century was augmented by 6s. 8d. received of the Chamberlain for the Tolzey, 1 rs. 8d. in respect of a counter built in the churchyard by Thomas Symons in 1573–74, and a rent first recorded in 1561–62 of £2, later £1 13s. 4d., out of Harry Gibson's house.

THE LAW SUIT AGAINST JOHN SHARP

Since the rent roll constituted such a considerable part of the regular income of the proctors, non-payment of rent was a matter of serious concern and the small allowances accorded in some years to persons paying the larger rents perhaps represent a discount for prompt payment. When the Church Book opens several of the rents were in arrears. In 1457–58, after obtaining the legal advice of Richard Kayton, a piece of wax weighing fifty-one pounds was levied out of Geoffrey Griffith's house in Baldwin Street as a distress for arrears of 10s. per annum. In 1462–63 the proctors again took counsel of Richard Kayton and also of Roger Kemys in the matter of this rent and of the rent of 30s. out of a shop in Corn Street payable by John Sharp.

The dispute with Griffith was settled in June 1463 by arbitration of the civic dignitaries, John Wickham, mayor, Richard Alberton, sheriff, and Thomas Oseney, town clerk, who determined that the rent of 10s. should in future by paid quarterly to the parish which was to retain the 51 lb. of wax in lieu of arrears of 'sixteen years and odd'. At the time of this award Griffith was one of the bailiffs of Bristol. Sterner action had to be taken against John Sharp, commencing with a bill sued by the parson and proctors to the Lord

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1 The series of accounts is incomplete at this period. Payments occur in 1514–15 and 1516–17.
2 It is tentatively suggested below, p. xxxv, that the agreement may have arisen from a need to provide a new parsonage.
3 See p. xiv.
4 See p. xxxv.

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Chancellor praying for a writ sub-poena to Sharp to appear in the king's court. Thomas Dene, one of the proctors, travelled to London about this business and charged the parish 24s. for his expenses. The result was the issue of a writ sub-poena to Sharp and of a writ of dedimus potestatem directed to Thomas Yonge, William Canynges, John Shipward and Roger Kemys to judge the case. It is obvious that the proceedings against Sharp, and to a lesser extent against Griffith, were a matter both of importance and excitement in the parish. The award between the parish and Griffith, and the writs and other documents in the Sharp case, were entered in the Church Book before the account for 1463–64 together with a vivid narrative account of events during the time of the latter action. It is possible that some of the excitement was generated in the Sharp case not only by the financial importance of the result for the parish but also by the eminence of many of the persons involved.

The dedimus potestatem was directed to two merchants and two men of law. William Canynges is traditionally the merchant prince and ship owner par excellence of 15th-century Bristol and was mayor five times. Only a little less renowned is John Shipward, also five times mayor, partner with Canynges in some of the latter's enterprises, whose bounty built the tall tower of St. Stephen's church. Clearly, however, it is Thomas Yonge who is held in greatest awe by the writer of our narrative. Yonge, son of Thomas Yonge, merchant and mayor of Bristol, brother of John Yong, alderman and later lord mayor of London, and half brother to William Canynges, had turned from the family preoccupation with trade to the law but had maintained a close connection with his native town, being member for Bristol in a succession of parliaments and at this time recorder of the town. Yorkist in sympathy the succession of Edward IV forwarded his career. During the course of the Sharp action he was appointed first serjeant at law and then king's serjeant and he was later to become justice of the common pleas and justice of the king's bench.  

1 The four commissioners first met to hear evidence early in October 1463 but the need for Yonge to return to London on legal affairs caused the proceedings to be prorogued and a new dedimus potestatem to be sought. The other three met on 22nd December but postponed judgement until Yonge's return. On 3rd January he came, 'arrayed yn a long blue gown ungurd with a scarlet hode vnrolled and j.standyng Roon cap of scarlet as the custom is of Sergeantes to go', to the counter in the mayor's shop, where he was greeted by the mayor, sheriff and many of the common council of Bristol, and there the proctors and two other parishioners of St. Ewen's welcomed him on behalf of the parish and begged him

1 D.N.B.; also for Canynges and Shipward as well as Yonge, E. Carus Wilson, 'The Overseas Trade of Bristol in the Fifteenth Century' in Medieval Merchant Venturers: Collected Studies, pp. 73–97, passim.
to give his speedy attendance to their matter. It was Yonge who the next day after deliberations with Canynges and Shipward pronounced judgement. The fourth member of the commission, Roger Kemys, is not named as taking part in these final deliberations although he is joined with the other three in the judgement. It was Kemys whose counsel the parish had sought before beginning proceedings and he was clearly active on their behalf throughout. The costs of the action, which appear in the proctors' accounts of 1463-64 and 1464-65, include many payments to him as well as the gift of two bottles of malmsey to his wife and 20d. to his clerk.

John Sharp himself was a member of a family prominent in civic affairs. His father, John Sharp I, had been sheriff in 1413 and mayor in 1416 and was co-founder with John Thorpe of the Tailors' Fraternity of St. John Baptist. John Sharp II had been sheriff in 1428 and mayor in 1433 and 1440 and was one of the arbitrators in 1460 with Robert Jakes and Henry Chester between the parish of St. Ewen and the Tailors' craft in the dispute which is recorded in the Church Book, over the division of costs of repairs to the parable gutter between the church and the chantry chapel of the Fraternity. John Sharp II lived in the parish of St. Ewen. The shop in Corn Street for which he had not paid his quit rent adjoined his 'hall house' where he dwelt and also another shop owned by him and occupied by John Brydde. He also at this time paid rent to the mayor and commonalty for a tower on the Key, a tower in Knifesmith Street and five shops in Horse Street. His son, John Sharp III, who was one of the bailiffs in 1451,4 died about 1456 in his father's lifetime.

John Sharp II was supported in all his appearances before the commissioners by his brother in law, Philip Mede, another eminent mayor and merchant, who had married Sharp's sister, Elizabeth. Philip Mede married his daughter, Elizabeth, to Sir Maurice Berkeley of Beverston, and his son, Richard, to Elizabeth, daughter of John Sharp III, and it is Richard Mede who after the death of John Sharp II's widow is found paying the quit rent of 30s. to the proctors of St. Ewen's.

By the judgement of Thomas Yonge and his fellow commissioners, Sharp was to pay within ten days to the parson 30s. of which the parson was at once to return 28s. 4d. Thereafter the parish, forgoing all arrears of rent, alleged to be for forty-one years, was to receive 1s. 4d. a year during Sharp's life and after his death the full rent of 30s. The judgement, which also made provision for prayers and remembrance in the General Mind for Sharp and his wife and his

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2 Ibid., pp. 38, 39.  
3 Bristol Record Society, vol. xviii, pp. 25-27.  
4 Ricart, op. cit., p. 40.  
5 Carus-Wilson, op. cit., p. 79.  
6 Bristol Record Society, vol. xvi, p. 171.
father, mother and son, was embodied in a pair of indentures between Sharp and his wife and the parish which were written by Thomas Yonge's clerk, who was paid twenty groats for his pains, and sealed with wax for which the town clerk was paid one halfpenny. The ceremonial payment and return of part of the rent and the sealing of the agreement took place on 7th January 1464 at John Sharp's hall when Sharp's wife, Elizabeth, borrowed Philip Mede's signet to seal the indentures, and for her part in the scene of hand-shaking and reconciliation which took place 'kyssed our seid parson our seid ij procuratours and the seid Robert Core'. This scene and Elizabeth Sharp's visit to the church on the following Sunday with the cake and candles and her speech to the parson and parishioners on that occasion are vividly described by the writer of the Church Book. Elizabeth survived her husband who died on 6th July 1465, and in 1472 together with Philip Mede and Richard Mede she founded an obit in St. John's church for the souls of John Sharp II, his son, grandson, his sister Elizabeth Mede and others.¹

The agreement had embodied a provision that for the greater surety of perpetual payment of the rent the parson should sue a bill of fresh force against John Sharp and against all other tenants of the shop. This action was commenced on 16th January at the Guildhall and adjourned until Easter week. The writ of the mayor and bailiffs to the bailiff errant and his return of the names of jurors and summoners are entered in the Church Book as well as an account of the proceedings on 5th April when, with the parson of St. Ewen's sitting by direction of the mayor and recorder on the lower bench alongside the bailiffs, the parish's title to the rent was formally confirmed by verdict of the jury.

This particular rent seems often to have been the occasion of trouble to the parish. In 1495 the then owner of the shop, Richard Sherman of Ludlow, was seven years in arrear and in part payment gave a standing mazer worth £5 which was subsequently given to Thomas Apowell to reduce the debt due to him on the church house building account. Later John Smyth was many years in arrear but deposited with the parish as security for repayment pledges to the value of £16 2s. 1d. including a pipe of woad worth £6.²

THE PARSON AND THE CLERK

The advowson of the church of St. Ewen belonged to the priory of St. James until the Dissolution, when it was granted by Henry VIII together with the estates of the priory to Henry Brayne. After his

² Bristol Archives Office, St. John's deeds, no. 597.
³ Woad, a dye much in demand by the cloth manufacturing districts of the west country, was one of Bristol's major imports and a form of property often mentioned in the wills of her merchants. Carus-Wilson, op. cit., p. 36.
death the gift of the living passed to his sons-in-law Sir Charles Somerset and George Winter and later to Sir Charles Gerrard. In 1627 Sir Charles Gerrard sold to the Corporation the advowson with tithes which included sixpence and one pound of wax which appear in the early Corporation rent rolls.1

In the Church Book the rector is referred to most frequently as 'the parson' and only occasionally by name. The succession of pre-Reformation rectors, however, may be found in the registers of the bishops of Worcester in whose diocese Bristol then lay: 23 January 1453/54 Richard Brytte, 10 April 1454 Thomas Jacob, 14 May 1459 Thomas Syward, ? John Venecombe, 11 February 1501/02 John Colman, 15 May 1502 John Pernant or Parnavnt, 8 October 1515 Edward Waterhouse and 15 August 1535 John Rawlins. Brytte's institution took place in the cathedral church of Worcester and Syward's in the college of Westbury-on-Trym.

The parson was assisted in certain of the services of the church by two or three unbenefticed priests, one of whom would certainly have been the chantry priest of the Tailors' chapel. Like the parson, these priests are often unnamed or referred to only by the Christian name, as sir John, sir Nicholas. Only one is positively identified as the Tailors' chantry priest, Sir John Gower, whose executors in 1458–59 gave a portas and a super altar for him to be buried near the door of St. John's chapel.

Several of the parsons and priests were benefactors of the church, especially in the matter of books. The inventory of 1455 includes a hymner and a grail, the gifts respectively of sir Thomas ap Eynon and sir William Dene. Dame Joan Parnavnt, mother of sir John Parnavnt, parson, who himself gave two suits of apparel to the high altar, gave a 'gret matens boke wrytt with gret hand off parchement'. Sir John Colman, parson, gave two books of sermons, one manuscript and one printed, with a little portas as well as a great coffeer in which to keep the books of the church. In 1489–90 the parish paid 40s. to the parson for a portas with a legend and in 1515–16 paid 7s. to 'sir Richard' for a manual and a processerion.

Apart from the 3s. 4d. per annum payable to the parson out of the church house, first by the tenant and then by the proctors, and the mass penny and other minor sums paid in respect of certain services and festivals, there is no reference in the surviving pre-Reformation accounts to the rector's sources of income, although it has been suggested above that the tithes payable by his parishioners were likely to have been assessed by means of a rate upon houses. In 1547–48, however, the proctor's account includes the items, 'paid Mr parson in part of his wages j.li.' and 'paid more to Mr parson for his wages xvj.s.vij.d.' In each of the next three surviving accounts, 1551–52, 1552–53 and 1554–55, John Rawlins, parson, was paid

1 Bristol Archives Office o1075(7).
2 The Bishop's Registers are missing for 1483–86, 1493–97.

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6s. 8d. quarterly and a further £1 6s. 8d. a year 'towards his living'. These accounts show no entries on the receipt side in respect of wages for the parson.

After the death in 1555 of John Rawlins there was a long vacancy in the living of St. Ewen's when pastoral duties were carried out by a succession of ministers and curates. The ministers are never referred to as the Parsons, this title being reserved as in medieval usage for the rector of a parish. Accounts survive for the greater part of the vacancy and show that the ministers and curates were paid an annual stipend. The minister received £7 in 1562–63 and £7 10s. in the three following years. When Roger Rice, minister, was replaced by Humphrey Mosley, curate, the quarterly payment was reduced from £1 17s. 6d. to £1 6s. 8d. and payments were made to one Mr. Norbrock for administering the communion but later both ministers and curates seem to have been paid £1 10s. a quarter. During this time the receipts side of the accounts includes a rate upon householders, most frequently headed 'Receipts for the Minister's Wages', the proceeds of which were usually a little over £4.

It was not until 4th April 1579 that Richard Arter or Arther, who had been acting as minister since Midsummer 1577, was instituted to the rectory of St. Ewen's 'vacant by the death of John Rawlins'. His relationship with his parishioners seems to have been a most unhappy one, although the cause of the trouble is unknown. The account for 1579–80 reveals the proctor taking legal advice in the matter, and on 1st October 1579 Arter quitclaimed all rights in the rectory and on 3rd October entered into a bond in the penal sum of £100 not to revoke his resignation or procure himself to be again presented to the rectory. The following day the proctor paid him £4 10s.

A few months later Thomas Long became rector and held the living until 1591. In the year of his institution, 1580–81, neither receipts nor payments are recorded in respect of any wages for the parson, but in the next three years the rate, headed once 'for the Minister's wages' and twice 'Receipts of the parishioners' reappears among the receipts, the amount raised totalling approximately £3 10s. Payments in 1581–82 are confusing but in 1582–83 the parson was paid £5 'for his yeeres wages' followed by other sums amounting to £2 os. 8d. and in 1583–84 he was paid £4 6s. 8d. 'for his wages'.

The fifteenth century parsonage, new built in 1461–62 by Thomas Syward, was in Broad Street adjoining the church house and this property is still described as the parsonage in a deed of 1543. It seems possible, although the accounts are far from explicit, that during the long vacancy in the living the parsonage was leased and

1 Appendix B, p. 258, P/St.E/A3.
2 Appendix B, p. 258, P/St.E/A4.
3 Appendix B, pp. 258–59, P/St.E/A5.

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the rent received by the proctors to whom it would have been a useful addition to the proceeds of the rate towards paying the minister's or curate's wages. Certainly it is in 1561–62, the first surviving account after the death of John Rawlins, parson, that a new rent payable out of Harry Gibson's house, appears. This was at first £2 a year but was shortly reduced to £1 13s. 4d. In the last two accounts of our period, that is, after Thomas Long became rector, this entry for rent reads 'of Harry Gibson for the parsonage'. Long must presumably have been provided with another house. It is tempting to suggest that this was the shop in Corn Street which had been the subject of the law suit against John Sharp and that the need to provide a new parsonage lay behind the agreement with Holester about this property in 1576–77, but all that can be said with certainty is that, according to a later marginal annotation, the property in Corn Street was where the minister was living in 1641.

No list or memorandum of the parish clerk's duties has survived among the records of St. Ewen's. It is probable that in so small a parish he carried out duties which in a large parish might have been shared between two or more officers. Clearly in 1563–64 and 1566–67 the title of sexton is used as an alternative to that of clerk. As already discussed, his wages were paid by means of a rate upon householders although in the pre-Reformation accounts it is only the occasional deficiency upon the rate, made up by the proctors, which is recorded. The rate 'for the Minister's wages' in the accounts of 1563–84 was probably intended as a collection for both minister and clerk, and in 1579–80 is so described. During this period the clerk's wages were 10s. a year rising to 13s. 4d. after 1579, except for those years when a woman held office and was paid first 8s. and then 7s.

Both before and after the Reformation, the clerk received several small payments additional to his wages, e.g. in respect of his services at festivals such as Corpus Christi or the general mind or after the Reformation, for laying the board for the feast held on the day of the audit of the proctor's account; for occasional tasks or emergencies such as clearing the gutters 'what tym the gret snowe fel', or helping a carpenter to mend the wheel of a bell; and certainly on occasion for some of the routine tasks about the church such as sweeping the church or scouring the ornaments, although it is usually not specified to whom payments of this kind were made.

Whether the clerk's duties were ever of a more learned character is difficult to say. It is not known whether Nicholas Clerk, whose name appears in 1486–87 in the midst of a number of payments in connec-

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1. See p. xxix.
2. On the first page of the Account Book, see p. 182 note 3.
3. A list of the duties of the parish clerk and suffragan of St. Nicholas, Bristol, in 1481 has been published in Proceedings of the Clifton Antiquarian Club, vol. 1, pp. 142–150.
4. See p. xxiii.
tion with the workmanship of a book, was the parish clerk or not. It is interesting to know, however, that the super altar given by the executors of Sir John Gower in 1458–59 was used, according to a note in a later hand, by the ‘old clerk... to gyrd his colours vpon’.

ST. EWEN’S AND THE REFORMATION

The Accounts copied by John Addison into the Account Book are for 1547–48, 1551–52, 1552–53, 1554–55 and twenty years between 1561–62 and 1583–84. The earlier of these, supplemented by entries in the Church Book, testify to the rapid changes of doctrine and ritual under Edward VI, Mary and Elizabeth. St. Ewen’s was quick to respond to the Royal Injunctions of 1547 and subsequent orders. In 1547–48 the tabernacles, images and rood were taken down and a mason paid for dressing up the walls by the high altar where probably the images of Our Lady and St. Ewen had stood. The chancel was whitelimed, candlesticks, wax and the rood veil and coverings sold, a bible and book of homilies purchased and a ‘coffer for poore people’ provided. In 1548–49 a chalice was sold and in 1549–50 a pix, two cruets and an ivory box. In this year too, on 13th August 1549 the proctors, Richard Bond and William Apowell, surrendered to Robert Recorde, comptroller of the king’s mint in Bristol, 107 ounces of gilt plate and 142 ounces of silver gilt. A copy of his receipt, unfortunately not listing the items, is entered in the Church Book. Much of the parochial plate of Bristol passed during Edward’s reign to the mint. In 1553, as is shown by the receipts of the various proctors, all dated 24th May of that year, there was returned to each church a chalice and often a number of bells. St. Ewen’s received a chalice and three bells. The prayer book of 1552 was purchased in 1552–53.

The account for 1554–55 shows the return to the old order under Mary and contains many payments for wax and candles, the making up of the altars and the Easter sepulchre and the acquisition of books and ornaments which, to judge by their cost, must have been of a plain and simple kind. The changes under Elizabeth recorded in an incomplete account for 1559–61 in the Church Book, include the taking down of the altars once more and the purchase of the prayer book of 1559. The timber from the rood was sold in 1562–63 and a pulpit set up in 1565–66. The final disappearance of the ornaments of pre-Reformation worship would seem to have come for St. Ewen’s church in 1571–72 when the chalice was sold and replaced by a

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communion cup. In the changes recorded in the accounts there is no reference to vestments.

The functions of the proctor were unaltered by the Reformation but his sources of income and objects of expenditure were considerably affected. Apart from infrequent and small sums for graves, for a pew, or for sale of church goods, there are only three sources of income in the accounts from 1562–63 to 1583–84. These are rents, the rate upon householders for the minister’s wages, and ‘Receipts of Servants’ at Easter, and of these the rent roll is the only connecting link with the receipt side of the fifteenth century accounts in the Church Book.

The rates, which list the names of householders over a period of twenty-two years and show the number contributing to the minister’s wages as varying between nineteen and twenty-four, are a valuable part of the Account Book. The three most highly rated parishioners, usually assessed at 13s. 4d. each were John Sprint, Thomas Symons and George Badram, whose name is not found after 1573. John Sprint seems in some ways to have been the ‘elder statesman’ of the parish. It has already been said that he signed the annual acquittance of the proctor more frequently than any other parishioner and although he was not himself proctor at the time of the dispute with the rector, Richard Arter, in 1579, the accounts show that he was closely concerned in the affair, and he is named first of the parishioners in the resulting quitclaim and bond between Arter and the parish.

The proctors’ third source of income was a small sum, ranging from 6s. to 18s., which is variously described as ‘oblations upon servants’, ‘receipts of servants’, ‘receipts at Easter’ or the ‘Easter Book’, and was made up of small sums of a few pence paid by householders in respect of each of their children, apprentices or servants who took communion either on Palm Sunday, Easter or Low Sunday. Usually this is entered as a total only but in five years, 1567–68, 1568–69, 1570–71, 1574–75 and 1581–82, there is a detailed list. These five lists, which are a useful supplement to the lists of householders, vary in form and may give the names of the householders with the number only of their servants or the names only of the servants or names of both masters and servants. There appears to be little correlation between position in the rate assessment and number of servants. Thomas Wickham and William Busher, for example, who were both tailors and who were both rated at only 4s., appear in the list of 1581–82 as having the largest number of servants, namely nine and

1 We are concerned here only with the period to 1584. The Account Book between 1584 and 1632, not transcribed, contains further assessments.
2 These three men, assessed at £4, £6 and £12 respectively, are listed with four other of the parishioners in a Subsidy for St. Ewen’s Ward. Bristol Archives Office 00766(3).
3 Other lists are to be found in the Account Book after 1584.

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six respectively while John Sprint has only three. This list names fifty-four servants and children but unfortunately does not distinguish between servants and apprentices.

On the payments side, wages were by far the heaviest charge in the accounts of 1562–1584. In addition, payments occur annually of 6s. 8d. on behalf of the minister or parson for the Queen's tenth, of a few shillings for bread and wine for the communion and of money spent on the feast held on the account day. All feasts formerly held on the church festivals or commemorations had disappeared but the expenses of the feast on the day of audit soon surpassed any of them in cost, rising rapidly from 5s. 4d. in 1562–63 to £1 4s. 1d. in 1583–84. No doubt a more sophisticated taste contributed to the greater expense, for there is reference in 1570–71 to the purchase of sack and claret in place of the ale of medieval feasts. Repairs to the church fabric, the cleansing of the church and the purchase of necessities are to be found in post as in pre-Reformation accounts. A new category of expense is formed by small payments arising out of the bishop's visitations, for example in procurations and to the somner.

Churchwardens' accounts have not figured largely among modern record publications although they excited the attention of editors of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries whose interest was concentrated to a great extent on the services, ornaments and furnishings of the medieval parish church. As a class, these accounts have been peculiarly liable to treatment by selection of interesting items illustrating parochial church life, and extracts from the accounts of St. Ewen's were published in 1890 by Sir John Maclean in Notes on the accounts of the Churchwardens of St. Ewen's. Churchwardens' accounts, however, are records of sufficient importance and, for the fifteenth century, of sufficient rarity to make the St. Ewen's Church Book an obvious choice for inclusion in a series of publications devoted to parochial records of Bristol and Gloucestershire and to justify the transcription in full of the greater part of the book. By considering the Church Book and its supplementary records as a whole it has been possible to examine in some detail the organisation and financial administration of a town parish, whose inhabitants represented a cross-section of a merchant community, during a long period in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries when Bristol was a prosperous centre of trade and commerce.

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1 See above, pp. xxxiii–xxxv.
2 A notable exception is Lambeth Churchwardens' Accounts, 1504–1645 edited, with a valuable introduction on churchwardens' accounts in general, by C. Drew, Surrey Record Society, vols. xviii, xx, 1941–50.
NOTE ON TRANSCRIPTION

In transcription, abbreviated and contracted words have been extended when the extended form is obvious. Where the original contains a sign of abbreviation or contraction the meaning of which is in doubt or which appears to be superfluous, an apostrophe has been placed after the word. M' has been extended as Master although variant spellings may be found in the original in the extended form. The Tironian sign for and has been extended. Thorn has been rendered as th. Yogh is printed ʒ. The use of u and v and the use of capital letters, including capitals where small letters might be expected and vice versa, follow the original. In the case of those initial letters in which the capital and small forms are not easily distinguishable, capitals have been used for proper names but in other words only when the scribe’s current usage demands them. Punctuation follows the original save for the omission of a few full points which appeared meaningless. Paragraph marks, which in a form resembling the superior a are of very frequent occurrence in the Church Book, being written to the left of almost every item in the early accounts as well as at the beginning of more conventional paragraphs, have been omitted. Marginalia which are contemporary with the text are printed with the text but in brackets thus (in margin nota). Marginal annotations which were made at a later date are given in footnotes. Material which appears to have been struck through at the time of writing is given in footnotes. Material which was deleted at a later date (e.g. items in the Inventory which were later found to be missing) is retained in the text with a footnote stating that it has been deleted.

In calendaring, the original spelling of personal and place names has been followed except that Latin forenames have been translated. Obsolete or unusual words which occur only once are normally explained by means of a footnote. When they occur more than once they are included in the Glossary.

The means of reference used in the Introduction and in footnotes etc. to a particular account is by the year of the account (New Style). For the accounts in the Church Book this date is given, within square brackets, after the original heading of the account, thus [1464-65]. The copy accounts in the Account Book, which as explained in the Introduction (see p. xviii) often lack full headings and were sometimes erroneously dated by the copyist, have been given a heading of the form, Account for 1564-65.
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1454 to 1584

[unnumbered folio]  Ihc Mercy    Lady Help    Help
Ihc Mercy    Lady Help    Help
Lan M'i CCCCliv et lan du Roy xxxij et
mensis Aprilis.xvj.die et tempore Ricardi
Batyn et Roberti Core tunc procuratorum
istius ecclesie parochialis Sancti Audoeni
iste liber pro omnimodis memorandis
concernentibus prefate ecclesie parochiali
et in presenti libro inscribendis et
Willelmus Boxe Spycer dedit papirum presentis
libri atque Henricus Brown' Bruer soluit
pro ligatura illius et predicti libri
ordinatus est
Ihc Mercy    Lady²

[unnumbered folio: verso]³
Inuentarium etc librorum etc 1454
Here begynneth an Inuentary of al the bokes⁴ founden yn this
church' yn the tyme of Rychard Batyn' and Robert Core procuratourz
the xvj day of Auerell' yn the 3er of our lord and yn the xxxiiij 3ere
of kyng Henry the vj. [1455]

In primis the best mas boke, begynnyng with the kalender and
endyng with this general prayer. Deus qui es nostra
redempcio etc with the Secret. Omnipotens sempiterne deus etc and the
postcommune. Deus cuius misericordie etc

Item the best Antyphoner noted, with the Sawter. Chapiters ympnes
and orysons and begynneth, with thes wordes Dominica prima
Aduentus Domini etc and the furst lettre D fresshly lypned. and
endeth with the seruyce of Seynt Kateryn' etc and with this prayer.
Deus qui nos beatorum martirum tuorum Saturnini atque Sisinnii etc

¹ Opposite this date in the left margin, in a 15th century hand, Item Jo, and
above, in a 17th century hand, 1618
1455
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² Sic.

³ This page was originally left blank. Later memoranda were entered relating
to books listed in the Inventory on the opposite page, see p. 2, note 2; also
at the top of the page is written, in an 18th century hand, St. Ewens Bristol
Parish Book and, in a 17th century hand, 1587
1455
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⁴ In the Inventory of Books, phrases quoted from prayers, sequences, etc.,
capital letters which are specified as being illuminated, and the word kalender,
are underlined in the MS.
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Item a Grayel noted whiche begynneth with the kalender, with this verce Prima dies mensis etc and endeth with this Euangelye. Factum est autem cum baptizaretur etc
Item j. of myssal borded begynnyng with the kalender, and endeth with this oryson’. Benedic domine thalamum hunc etc
Item j. old portuos noted with lessons orysons Chapiters Sawter and ympnes. begynnyng with thes wordes yn lettre of red Inke. Dominica prima etc and endyng, with the office of the mas and seruyce of Seynt Anne etc
Item j. Sawter. whiche begynneth thes wordes. Exorzizo te creatura salis etc and endeth with Chapiters lessons and responses of the commune etc
Item j. ympner. begynnyng with this Sequence. Benedicta es celorum regina etc and endeth with Salue regina etc noted. gyffen yn of the gyft of sir Thomas Ap Eynon’ etc
Item j. Grayel noted. begynnyng with the office of Seynt Anne. Gaudeamus etc and endeth with Agnus dei etc of the gyft of sir William Dene prest
Item j. Ordynal begynnyng. Dominica j = a aduentus domini etc and endeth with Benedicte Dominus Edent pauperes etc
Item j. legend. whiche begynneth Passionem sancti Andree etc and endeth with the iij lessons of Seynt Eusebys. Eodem tempore quo liberius papa etc
Item j. ympner noted. begynnyng with Conditor alme siderum etc and the lettre C. ympned and endeth with this ympne. Iam lucis orto sydere etc
Item j. Sawter’ that begynneth with the prayour. Suscipere dignare domine deus omnipotens etc and endeth with this prayer. Deus qui es omnium sanctorum tuorum splendor mirabilis etc and sueth Ascendit Cristus super celos etc
Item j. processyonel. begynnyng with. Cum iam suscepti operis etc and hath the ympner noted and endeth with Benedicta es celorum regina etc and this oryson’ Omnipotens sempiterne deus qui beate et gloriose etc
Item j. processionel noted that begynneth with Saluator mundi salu nos etc and endeth, with Candidi facti sunt etc
Item j. processionel noted. and begynneth. with Exorzizo te creatura salis etc and endeth with Rex Sanctorum etc.

1 A cross against this item in the left margin.
2 A cross against this item in the left margin. Also on the opposite page, which was originally blank, but linked to this item by a line is written in another hand Memorandum to [ ? ] for the sawter of sir John’ Randall that we lack which sir Roger his brother had, and immediately below this Memorandum the old parson for the old manuell
3 Sic.
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[f. iv] Item j. old manuel¹ begynnynge with thes wordys. Omnibus diebus dominicis etc with rede lettres and sueth after Exorzizo te creatura salis etc and endeth with this oryson. Adesto domine supplicacionibus nostris etc

Item the best manuel. that begynneth with thes wordes Secundum Marcum wrytten with rede Inke etc then sueth thes wordes. Omnibus dominicis per annum etc wrytten with rede Inke and sueth Exorzizo te creatura salis etc and the lettre. E. gyft and lympned etc and endeth with this psalme Voce mea ad dominum clamaui etc

Item j. roll’ with Salue regina noted etc with this oryson’ Omnipotens sempiterne deus etc

[Except for books not after the use of Salisbury which are listed separately on f. 2 the inventory of books found in the church on 16 April 1455 ends here. The remaining items on f. iv are later additions in a number of different hands.]

Item j. old portuous noted with Chapiters orysons and lessons. of the gyft of sir John’ Gower prest late dede of the Fraternitye of seynt John’ Baptist founded withyn this church’. and j. superalter’ of the same sir John’ ys gyft²

Item j. old Antyphonary noted. with out Chapiters orysons or lessons. begynnynge with. Ecce dies etc and endeth with. Adducentur regi virgines noted. and versys yn ryme of the benysons of the fest of Corpus Cristi

Item iij quayres fully wrytten’ of the begynnynge of j.myssa³

Item xvij quayres wrytten’ begynnynge Dominica prima Aduentus domini etc and enden’ of the seruice of the twysday in the Estur Woke. of j. legend with thes words. Extitit hoc in the margyne. of the which’ quayres with more was made a hole legend And the ende therof Neque domini putandum est⁴

Item I masse boke of the gift of William Rowley merchant whiche begynneth with a Colet that is to sey Deus qui beatum Dauid bi fore the kalender and after the kalender exorciso te creatura salis etc And endeth with the sequens Sanctus⁵ and Agnus notid etc

Item a portows with a legend whiche Cost xlj. s.⁶ and begynnith with

¹ A cross against this item in the left margin.
² In the margin in two different hands, Memorandum this booke and Memorandum super altar’ the which’ the olde clerk had to grynd his colours upon’ as it is seid. The portas and super altar were received of Sir John Gower’s executors in the year 1458-59, see p. 38.
³ A cross against this item in the left margin.
⁴ with thes words . . . putandum est added in a later hand. Payments towards the materials, writing, binding and illuminating of a legend were made in the years 1468-69 and 1470-71, see pp. 81, 85.
⁵ Sanctus inserted above the line.
⁶ In the year 1489-90, see p. 128.
the Rubrisch dominica prima audentus domini and endith with the comemoracion of seint thomas\footnote{\textit{and begynneth} . . . seint thomas added in a later hand.}

Item\footnote{\textit{a} struck through.} new grete antyphoner for the quere and begynnyth with the Rubrisch Dominica prima Aduentus domini and endyth\textsuperscript{'} wyth the Rubrysh\textsuperscript{'} Sit nomen domini benedictum etc\footnote{\textit{benedictum etc} added in a later hand.}

\[f.2\] Here folowen other bokys not after the Vse of Salysbury
In primis j. old boke. borded. begynnyng with the kalender wher yn ben\textsuperscript{'} lessons Chapiters ympnes and offices of masses. with the Secret and patyble\footnote{In this context \textit{patyble} probably refers to an illuminated picture of the Crucifixion.} etc and endeth with this Gospel. Simile est regnum celorum thesauro abscondito in Agro etc.

Item. a nother old boke borded. that begynneth with the kalender and ther yn ben lessons offices of masses chapiters ympnes and endeth with this prayer Sumptum domine celestis remedii sacramentum etc

Item a nother old boke\footnote{A cross against this item in the left margin.} noted and borded begynnnyng. with thes wordes wrytten with rede lettre. Incipiunt capitula Augustini de Trinitate etc wheryn ys the sawter abbreuyat and endeth with the commune in the seruice of the dedicacion of the churche etc

Item. a nother old boke that begynneth. with thes wordes. expecta respecta modicum ibi etc and endeth with this prayer. Deus qui es sponsus virginum etc

Item j. old lytyl mas boke vn burded begynnynyg. with the office. Benedicta sit sancta trinitas etc and endeth with this pystyl\footnote{\textit{pystyl}}. Ecce sacerdos magnus qui in vita sua suffulsit domum etc

Item a nother old mas\footnote{mas inserted above the line.} boke. not burded. and begynneth with thes wordes. Caro enim mea vere est cibus etc and endeth with office of the mas of the holy crosse. Nos autem gloriari oportet etc and this postcommune per lignum serui facti sumus etc

\[f.2v\] Inuentry of the Vestymentes and other ornamenites of the church\textsuperscript{'}
In primis. the best suyt of grene. with flourys of gold. that is to sey. the Coope. the chespyle. ij tunycles iij Awbys. iij Amysses\footnote{In the margin in another hand, \textit{lackith the cloths of the Amis} struck through.} with the stoolys and the parurs therto

Item j. peyr of vestymentes. that is to sey. j. chesypyle of gold. poudred of yelowe and blue. with the Awbe and Amyssse

\footnotesize{
\begin{itemize}
  \item \textit{and begynneth} . . . seint thomas added in a later hand.
  \item \textit{a} struck through.
  \item \textit{and begynneth} . . . \textit{benedictum etc} added in a later hand.
  \item In this context \textit{patyble} probably refers to an illuminated picture of the Crucifixion.
  \item A cross against this item in the left margin.
  \item \textit{epistle}.
  \item \textit{mas} inserted above the line.
  \item In the margin in another hand, \textit{lackith the cloths of the Amis} struck through.
\end{itemize}
}
Item j. peyr of vestymentes of blue, with a patyble of whyte and hertes and this worde ihe .j.Awbe and an Amise\(^1\) and the other appareil therto

Item j. peyr of vestymentes of grene with a patyble of whyte. Awbe and Amys with the appareil ther to\(^2\)

Item j. Coope of grene, with a crystal Ston. hongyng behynd.\(^3\) by a sylke threde tarseled

Item another coope of dyuers workes of ylowe and branchn\(^4\) with a tuft of blue and selyke be hynd

Item a rede Chesyle with a patyble, stool and fanol of the same sute

Item a part of a blue Chespyles

Item a nwe Surplice made to the parson at the parysshons costes which cost viij.s.

Item a nother old Surplice for the parson\(^6\) with a Rochette for the clerk' and ij smal Rochettys for chyldern\(^7\)

Item a payr of whyte vestymentes for lent. that is to say .j.whyte Chesyple Awbe Amys stool and the phanol

Item the veyl other wyse called the lent cloth of whyte lynnyn cloth, with a crose of blue and the lyne therto

Item al the apparayl longyng to seynt Kateryn ys Auter. with hyr fygur steyned ther yn of the gyft of John' Pembroke that is to see the rydels ferramentes with ij.boces of copur and ouer gylt. and ij.condelstykkes of laton\(^8\) which ij.boces and ij.condelstykkes Richard Batyn' gaf yn to the seid Auter yn wursyp of the same Seynt

Item al the apparayl of rede steyned longyng to seynt Margaret is auter with hyr fygur steyned with the rydels and the ferramentes ther to. and ij.boces of copur and ouer gylt to serue for the pryncetal festes. after the disposicion of John' Nancothan which payed ther for

Item a nother apparayl of steyned cloths longyng to the same auter. with hyr fygur steyned yn dyuers places ther yn with the rydels and the ferramentes ther to and with a baner cloth of the seynt. for double fest dayes\(^9\) to serue after the dysposicion of the seid John' Nancothan. which payed ther for

\(^1\) In the margin in another hand, lackith the Amise cloth of the vestynetes struck through.

\(^2\) A cross against this item in the left margin.

\(^3\) with a crystal . . . behynd struck through.

\(^4\) branch: embroidered with a branch-like pattern.

\(^5\) A cross against this item in the left margin.

\(^6\) In the margin a cross and Item . . . parson struck through.

\(^7\) ij smal . . . chylder struck through.

\(^8\) In the margin in another hand, a candilstick stole.

\(^9\) double feast days: the more important feast days.
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Item.ij. baner cloths of seynt Kateryn’ on of the gyft the seid John’ Nancothan and that other of the gyft of the forseid John’ Pembroke  
[This section of the original inventory of 1455 ends here. The remaining items on f.2v are later additions in a number of different hands.]

Item a white clothe for the Font
Item a cope of grene' Bawdelyn and with Red orffirai
Item j grete latyn' Bason'
Item a sewte of vestmentes with oone Cope of Blewe veluett powdred with flowres of gold and the orfras of stoole werk* 
Item a payr vestemntes of Red damaske of the Giff of Elisabeth Scharpe with all things ther to acording'
Item a fayre paynted cloth of damaske werke with a image of our lady and hur' child
Item a starr' of brasse to hang yn the body off the chyrche

[f.3]  
Inuentary of the Juelx of the church'
In primis a Crosse of syluer and ouer gylt. hangyng these ymagys.
  first Seynt Ewen’. our lady. seynt John’. Seynt Kateryn’. Seynt
  Margaret. Seynt John’ the Euangelist. the.iiiij.euangelistes. iiij
  patriarkes and other stuf more as hyt appereth. whiche wayethe
  clene gold and siluer iustly and truly weyed.vxxvij vnces
Item the best chalyce of syuer* and ouer gylt weyeng xxx. j quarter
vnces of the gyft of John’ Wotton’ wrytten yn the fote of the same
Item a lytel chalyce of syluer. weyeng.xij.vnaces large
Item a Cowpe of syuer* and ouer gylt with a crucyfixe. and iiij stones
  impressed yn the same. weyeng xxvij vnces iiij quarters
Item a boxe of Ivory bound with platys of syluer and ouer gylt prece
  xiij.s.iiiij.d.

  Summa of the seid Juelx founden yn the seid
  procuratours dayes weyen’ ixxxvij vnces the seid
  boxe of Ivory not accompted

[The original inventory of jewels of 1455 ends here. The remaining
items on f.3 are later additions*)]

Other Juellyys sith geven as folowith
(Marginal note bracketing the first three items bo3t bi the parisshons’)
In primis j sensor* of silver and paart7 gilt weyeng xxx vnces

1 powdered with struck through.
2 For the cost of and gifts towards the blue velvet vestments in the years
  1473-74 and 1474-75, see pp. 92-94.
3 This cross was made in the year 1454-55. For gifts and other receipts
  towards its making, see pp. 27-31.
4 Sic.
5 The first five of the six additions are in the same hand.
6 For receipts and payments to the making of the censer in the year 1466-67,
  see pp. 74, 76.
7 paart inserted above the line.

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Item j ship of silver and paart gilt with a spone of silver weyeng ix vnces iij quarters
Item j paxbred of silver and gilt weyeng viij vnces and j quarter
Item j Chalice thorow gilt weyeng xxviiij vnces iij quarters
of the gift of Gillam Sampson\(^3\)
Item j Chalice of silver paart paart gilt weyeng xvij vnces and j quarter
given by Richard Batyn’ Goldesmyth’
Item a standing mase with a cover the harnes gylte weieing in all’ xxxij vnces which was bought’ of Richard Scherman’\(^8\)

[f.3v blank]

[f.4] Other ornamentes as suen
In primis.j.cros of copur and ouer gylt. with a nother cros of laton’ and a cros of tre
Item ij.basons of laton’. with ij.lampes longyng ther to .j. oylfate of laton’
Item ij.condelstykkes\(^9\) of laton’ for the hygh Auter .j.tynel of laton for holy water
Item j.peyr Organns.\(^10\) with ij.peyces of lede ther to ij.leche bellys’
Item the best cros staf peynted. with ij.bollys and j.batylment of copur and ouer gylt and ij.pypys of alcomye.\(^12\) whiche cost ix.s.vij.d.
as hyt appereth yn the accomptes suyng’
Item ij.other cros staffes\(^14\) peynted iiiij smal sakryng bellys’ and the great sakryng bell
Item iiij bellys yn the stepyl. iiij baner staffes .j.Sensour of laton’

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\(^1\) For receipts to and payment for the ship in the year 1474–75, see pp. 94–95.
\(^2\) Sh struck through.
\(^3\) with a spone of silver inserted above the line.
\(^4\) For receipts to and payment for the pax in the year 1475–76, see p. 97.
\(^5\) Sampson gave a cup weighing 25\(\frac{1}{2}\) ozs., which was converted into a chalice, in the year 1478–79, see p. 105.
\(^6\) Sic.
\(^7\) In the year 1480–81, see p. 107.
\(^8\) In 1495 Richard Scherman delivered to the parish a standing mazer in part settlement of arrears of rent, see p. 140.
\(^9\) In the left margin in another hand, oone sticke struck through in a different ink.
\(^10\) ‘Pair’ meaning ‘set’, i.e. an instrument with more than one pipe.
\(^11\) Lich bells: hand bells rung before a corpse.
\(^12\) Alchemy: a mixed metal imitating gold.
\(^13\) See p. 31.
\(^14\) In the left margin in another hand, oone lachith.
\(^15\) In the right margin in another hand, ij lachith.
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Item j cowpe of copur of the hygh auter with j. couerchyf and iij buddes of rede sylke and the Canapye coueryng the seid cowpe
Item a baas of tre corven to serue the best cros to stond yn. and iij torches
Item the apprail of tre and Ire made for the Sepulcre.1 with the cloths steyned ther to ordeyned
Item ij beerys with the couers ther to. the Judas of tre .j. stondynge Dext
Item.ij. dextes of tre for Auters .ij. cofurs of tre yn the Vestrye
Item iiij corporaces with iiij caces thereto .ij. paxes and .j. brood pax peynted with dyuers ymagys .ij. cofurs yn the rode loft. and .j. lytel cofur ordeyned yn the gret cofur. for the tresour of the church’ ij cruettes for wyn’ and water of peauter
Item j. couer of Red2 old with .j. cloth of rede saye old to serue the gree3 before the hygh’ Auter .j. cloth to couer the rood yn lent tyme a boues .j. cloth to couer the rood yn seynt John’ is chapel .j. cloth to couer4 our lady. seynt Anne and seynt John’ yn the seid chapel. with the baner of Seynt George. to couer the trinite over the rood yn the same chapel
Item .j. cloth steyned. of the passyon of our lord. to the couer the table before the hygh’ Auter
Item the apprail of old steyned cloths with the ferramentes to serue the Auter yn feryal dayes of the Seyntes Kateryn and Margaret.
Item j. paryng ire with .j. lyne7
Item a table of Alabastre for the hygh Auter with the fygor of our lady and the. xij. Apostols be nethe the seid table of ston’ gylt .v. towels of twylly and vj towels of playn cloth good and badde ij awter cloths of twylly and iij of playn cloth8
Item iiij pylowes of sylk with werkys iiij shurtes and iiij smal cappes9 of lyn cloth for our lord yn our lady ys armes. at Seynt John’ ys Awter .v. couerchyfes for our lady ij frontels for the hy3 auter. with ij. cloths steyned be for the Auter

1 The Easter Sepulchre, a tomb like structure used in the ceremonies figurative of the entombment of Christ and the finding of the empty tomb, was sometimes a stone structure in the form of a recess in the wall to the north of the altar or sometimes, as here, a framework of timber and metal adorned with costly hangings.
2 Red written over grene struck through.
3 j cloth … serue the struck through.
4 Grees: steps.
5 a boue inserted above the line.
6 A word, illegible, struck through.
7 Item j. paryng ire with .j. lyne struck through.
8 There are a number of marginal notes, much amended, referring to the loss of both towels and altar cloths.
9 In the left margin in another hand, but oone sherte and j capp.
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Item.j.corven table of tre' j.tresyl with.a.pyn of ire yn the myddys for candelmas day .xv.bendys of Ire. with xv smal bollys of tyn xij square bollys and.ij.smal bollys of tyn. before the rood beeme a boue. with a pece of rede sylk'

Item a Cote off purpyll velwett to owr' lady of the gyfte off Wylliam Taylor and Anes;

[f.4v] Item.iij.Judas for the pascal xij Judas for the xij square tabres be for the rood a boue

Item the long ladder to go vp vn to the stple. Item.j.round boxe of tre bounden with Ire. with.j.key ther to

[The original inventory of 'Other ornaments' of 1455 ends here. The remaining items on ff.4v–5 are later additions]

Item j payr Candelstickes copur gylte and ouer syluered

Item ij dexe clothes powdred with silke of diuere colours with ij of lynyn'

Item j sewte of black vestementes¹ hole with oone cope

Item a clothe for a awter clothe of new clothe

Item a fyne Awter clothe of pleyne clothe of the gyft of John' Wolff

Item ij condilstickes of laton' at Seint Margaretes Awter'³

Item the beste couer of Cypres with iiiij knappis gilte for the Coupe

Item a nother of lawne with iiiij knappis gilte for the same cowpe

Item a Cure cloth of Russet silke tarteron'²

Item ij baner' clothes of silke For the beste crosse

Item j couerlet of greene with Flowres for myndes

Item a dobyll⁶ awter' clothe off Diapyr with j peyre off vestmentes off why3t' brawdyrd with flowrys with Redde velwett the orfrosse with a brod depe Bason' for the Relekys. Also a grett matens boke wrytt with gret hand off parchement' off the gyfte off Dam Jone Parnavnt

Item viij auter clothys with in covar'⁷ off Canvas

Item to the ij lowe auters ij clothys with a Canvas keuyr to the auter

Item yj towelles good and badde

Item j palle' off blacke§ bokeram and with a crosse off lynyn' why3t'

Item a New Corpoross case brawdyrd with the fyne wordys

Item a Cote off tyssu to Sent Audoen' with a banar' off Seynt Audoen' and j standard off latten for the quere off the gyfte off Wylliam Traheran

¹ Item . . . tre struck through.
² This item added at the foot of l.4 in a later hand.
³ Of these additions, the first ten are in the same hand, the eleventh in possibly the same hand but written in different ink, and the remainder all in another hand.
⁴ Made in the year 1472–73, see p. 90.
⁵ In the left margin, oone stole.
⁶ autyr struck through.
⁷ A letter struck through.
⁸ blacke inserted above the line.
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Also anothyr standard off latten bowȝt with gadyryng money and j branche with iij bolles of latten before' Seynt Auden off gedryng money whyche cost vj.s.
Item j branche off latten before' owr' lady of petye with iij bolles off the gyfte off James Dolfyn'
Item iij bannars off the passyon for lent
Item a sewte of Blew bawdkyn with the cortens to seynt Katurne avter

[f.5] Item a Sewte off Auter clothys¹ with the cortens for the lent' to seynt Katurneyys ys awter' off the passyon off the gyft of John' Smethe and John' Kellys
Item anothyr parell' to Seynt Margyttes awter with the cortens of the same which the paryche gedyrd for hytt
Item anothyr sewte to the hye awter with the cortens off the passyon' of the gift off Syr John' Parnavnt parson of the seyd Chyrche
Item j parell' to the hye awter with the cortens with froyys of damaske peyntyd with the fugur off John' yn the myddys of the ouer clothe with iij byshoppys and the nethyr with owr' lady yn the myddes of the gyfte of the seyd parson
Item a manwell' off papyr. Item j boke wrytt with text off serten massys to Vysyte wyth. Also
Item John' Mylys forbar Gave to the churche I Savtar wrytt off olde hand with a pyee wryttyn yn papyr with an auter clothe of Dyapyr
Item j kote to Seynt Katryn off saten off Syprys with j ragge of corall' cappyd with syluyr of the gyft of Kateryne Gyllys. Item j² Coshyn for palmesonda
Item Gyllys Jonys gane and bequeythd to thys chyrche hys dettes payd the Rest off aii' hys godys whyche came to the som cler' to the chyrche as hys boke specyfith'
Item iij bokys of sermon' maters with a lyyll' portose that ys tyde with acheyne yn Seynt John ys chapell'³ on' coueryd with Red and wrytt the othyr of prytt' of the gyft of sir John Colman parson
Item yn the quere j grett Coffar that the bokys lythe yn of the gyft of sir John Colman parson
Item j lesse coffar for the surplessys
Item j Surples to the parson
Item iij Rochettes for the quere
Item iij Rochettes of iij Chyldyr
Item iij Shetes for the best vestmentes
Item j old' awbe
Item j towell' of Redde sylke with othyr colurs to ber' the Crysmatory

¹ Auter clothys inserted above the line.
² Quysson struck through.
³ with a lyyll' ... chapell' inserted above the line.
⁴ abe struck through.
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with ij long cottens on of them why3 with the freng Red and on cotton dyed Red colorr
Item j box with the Crucyfyx with marye and John apon hytt of beyond the see makyng

[ff.5v–7v blank]

[.8] Ihc 1492
The Accomptes of John' Smyth' For suche Besynes as he had in Byldeng of the newe chirche house made the ix daye of marche in the viijth yere of the Reygne of Kyng Herre after the Conquest the viijth [1493]\n
Resseites
In primis Ressevid1 William Goldsmyth for iiiij olde Walsch' boordes
Item R' of William traheron by his wiff that he gave to the werke
Item R' of Nicholas Love hosier yoven' to the werke
Item R' of gylis wiff of hur grawnt' to paye weekly dewryng the werke ij.d. which Amounted in all' xxij wekes Summa
Item R' of John' Haseley for viij peces olde tymber' xvj.d.
Item R' out of the boxe of the chirche on the good Fredaye
Item R' of Master parson' that he gave to the werke
Item R' of thomas phelipps barbour yoven' to the werke
Item R' of the gayne of a Crusado4
Item R' off Rauff tailour yoven' to the werke
Item R' of John' Seger Flecher yoven' to the werke
Item R' of William Poole tailour yoven' to the werke
Item R' of William Phelipps goldsmyth' yoven' to the werke
Item R' of John' Perkyns the eldri yoven' to the werke
Item R' of Robert Russell' grocer yoven' to the werke
Item R' of Cachemay brewer for vj olde Roffters
Item R' of Sir John' Clerk For his parte of the Chippes of the tymber'
Item R' of John' Mylys Furbour' yoven' to the werke

Summa totall of Alle the Resseites Amountethe iiiij.li.xiiij.s.vij.d.

1 Save for In the of oure lord god a M ccccc xxu written at the top of f.6v.
2 These Accounts and those of Thomas ap Howell relating to the building of the new church house which follow, were entered on some of the pages formerly left blank between the Inventory and the first of the proctors' annual accounts which begin in 1454–55.
3 Ressevid of struck through.
4 A Portuguese gold coin with the imprint of a cross.
[f.8v] Paymentes

Item inprimis to a laborer for careage of the olde tymer

Item to William Maryner Carpynter the xvij day of marche

Item For pauper and to lettill' children for careage of tile stones

Item to Phelipp' Poynes laborer' for' ij dayes and an halff

Item to Jorge Basse For iij dayes and an halffe

Item to John' an Irisch' laborer' for iij daies and an halffe

Item to a nother Irisch' laborer' For a daye

Item to William Heynes for a daye werke to take downe the tyles

Item to Jorge basse and Phelipp Poynes euery of them

Item to John’ Irisch’ laborer' for iij daies

Item to vij laborers the weke before palme sونdaye

Item for a herynge barell’ and a ladyng bolle

Item for a stenge; and mendynge of the barell’

Item For careage of xxvij peces tymbre

Item for careage of vij polis and a Reward to the tymer’ man

Item peid to thomas aphowell’ for money delyuered to hym

Item to a laborer' for halffe a daye

Item to Buck for halynge of xlvj Fattes Rubbies to the mersche

Item to thomas Howell' and to Harper' the masons

Item to Jorge basse laborer' for the weke befor' Estur

Item to a nother laboror’ on Estur Eve

Item to vij laborers in the Estur weke for ij dayes

Item the masons for their' costes to hannam

Item for Careage of the Elmyn boordes from Cliffton

Item for xvij ton of lye stones

Item to Robert Cack for clensyng of the gowtes

Item to the ij masons the xx daye of aprill'

Item for x ton of hannam stones

Item to Jorge basse for v dayes labour

Item to Dauy a laboror for a daye and a halffe

Item to James White for x wey lyme browght’ befor’ Estur

1 to inserted above the line.
2 Stang: a pole or wooden bar.
3 Hanham, Glos.
4 Leigh (Abbots Leigh, Som.).
Item to the seid James for careage of xxvij ton\(^{11}\) stone iiij.s.vijj.d.
Item for makyng of a lynterne for the Celer' wyndowe j.d.
Item to stephyn the Free mason in Ernest of the Chymeneys xx.d.

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Item to the ij masons the iiiij daye of may x.s.
Item Jorge laborer' for halfse a daye ij.d.
Item paid to the masons the xj daye of may vj.s.vijj.d.
Item to Buck for Careage of lvij lode stone and tymbre ij.s.ix.d.
Item for Aschen woode for Frame pynnes ob.
Item to William Maryner Carpynter on Whitson Evyn xls.
Item to James White the lyme man vj.s.vijj.d.
Item to Jorge Basse for removyng of stones on Midsomer Eve ij.d.
Item to iiiij other laborers the same tyme iiiij.d.
Item for the Cowching of the tymbre in the tailours courte ayenst Midsomer Evyn and clensing of the Courte iiiij.d.
Item for nayles to the Carpynters ij.d.
Item to William Maryner on Midsomer Evyn xijj.s.iiij.d.
Item for removyng of Erthe and lyme on mydsomer Evyn ij.d.ob.
Item for xiiiij and odd Fete of Elmyn' boorde at xvij.d. the C xxj.s.ix.d.
Item For halyng and pylyng of the same vp vj.d.
Item to a sawyer' for metyng\(^{*}\) of the same boordes ij.d.
Item to stephyn the Free mason the xxx daye of Juyn xj.s.vijj.d.
Item to a man of Dundre for ij stones for a wyndowe and careage vj.d.ob.
Item to the procutours of Redcliff chirche for ij stones for a wyndowe x.d.
Item for Careage of Free stones from seint lenardes Chirche j.d.
Item to Buck halyear' the xvj daye of July xijj.d.
Item to William Maryner' Carpynter the same daye iiij.s.iiij.d.
Item to James White for x ton\(^{11}\) stone and Careage of the same iiij.s.iiij.d.
Item to William Heynes tyler' xijj.d.
Item for Careage of stones for the Chymenes from Redcliff hille iiij.d.
Item for ij dossen Crestes for the house vijj.d.
Item more paid to Buck for halyng of tymbre and stone v.s.vijj.d.
Item to grene the Smyth' for barres of Iron for' alle the wyndows which' weied Cvij.l at j.d. j.ll ix.s.xj.d.

\(^{1}\) Reading of this word doubtful as MS. is blotted.
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Item to William Jacobbe for parte of a grete plank for a bulke viij.d.
Item to James White on trinite Evyn for lyme iij.s.

Summa vij.li.v.s.ij.d.ob.

[f. gr]

Ihc Item for a plank for the kechyn boorde v.d.
Item half C boorde n\textsuperscript{11s} and a C hache n\textsuperscript{11s} v.d.ob.
Item for wodd For the Feete of the kechyn boordes ij.d.
Item for a boorde for the boterye ij.d.
Item for’ clensyng of the seler’ ij.d.
Item for Callfates n\textsuperscript{11s} j.d.
Item to John’ a carpynter for a daye vj.d.
Item John’ Walle carpynter for ij dayes and a halffe’ werke
Item to thomas Walle for ij daies werke xvj.d.
Item for di’ C boorde n\textsuperscript{11s} xix.d.
Item for spekyngne nayles ij.d.ob.
Item for di’ C boorde n\textsuperscript{11s} ij.d.ob.
Item to ij sawyers for a dayes werke xij.d.
Item to ij Carpinters for iiiij daies werke iiiij.s.iiiij.d.
Item to gerard the dawber xj.d.
Item for di’ C boorde n\textsuperscript{11s} ij.d.ob.
Item to thomas Walle for v dayes iij.s.vij.d.
Item to John’ Walle for iiiij dayes and a halffe ij.s.v.d.
Item to William Heynes in part of payment of his task for the iiij pentes iij.s.iiiij.d.
Item to Isabell Wyne for j M\textsuperscript{11} lathe n\textsuperscript{11s} borde n\textsuperscript{11s} and hache n\textsuperscript{11s} xiiij.d.ob.
Item for a sprynge lock For the shopppe dore with a keye vj.d.
Item For nayles and a litill’ boorde for the shopp’ ij.d.
Item for ij keyes and mndying of ij locks vij hokes v stapuls iij laches and mending of ij payr’ olde twystes and mending of a keye xvij.d.
Item to a Carpynter for ij dayes and an halffe xvij.d.
Item mor’ to William Heynes in money xx.d.\textsuperscript{3}
Item for viij boltes and ij stapuls j lock and a keye and x spekynges and viij clamps and j grete spekyn for the penteys

Summa xxvij.s.vij.d.\textsuperscript{1}

Summa totall of alle the paymentes amount xiiij.li.ij.s.vj.d.

\textsuperscript{1} and a halffe inserted above the line.
\textsuperscript{2} xx.d. written at the side of xxij.d. struck through.
\textsuperscript{3} The items total 28s. 6d.
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Rebate hereof the Resseites before wretent amont iij.li.xiiij.s.vij.d. Rest dew to the seid John' Smyth' at these Acounts ix.li.vij.s.xj.d.

[f.10] Ihc Whereof Ressēvīd by the seid John' Smyth' that he promised to give to the byldyng of the seid house xx.s.
Item he Ressēvīd of M' thomas pyttes vicarr' of merscheid for the dewty of Richard Scherman of ludlowe to be paid to the chirche xx.s.
Item he Ressēvīd of William Scherman for money that he Ressēvīd of William Rogers in the name of Richard Scherman to be paid to the Chirche xx.s.
Summa of these Resseites Amont iij.li.

Rest dew to the seid John' Smyth of this Acount’ All thinges Rekened vj.li.vij.s.xj.d.

Whereof Ressēvīd by John' Smyth' that Restid in his handes of the Rest of his acountes in the yere of hym and Rauff tailour as apperith in the seid Acount xvj.s.vj.d.
Item Ressēvīd by John' Smyth that Restidd in his handes of the Rest of his Acountes in the yere of hym and John' Seger' as apperith' in the seid Acount lix.s.iiiij.d.ob.
Item the seid John' Smyth' hath R' by the account' of John' Seger5 in the qwyte Rent of his house for the yere. Rent in the yere of our' lord at our lady in lent Anno domini millesimo CCCC lxxxvjo for the yere before the seid oure lady daye xiiij.s.iiiij.d.
total iij.li.x.s.ij.d.ob.

Rest dew to the seid John' Smyth' all' thinges Accounted of this Rekenyng xxxix.s.vij.d.ob.

Ress' in Acountes betwixt the Chirche and me on the morowe after seint marke is daye Anno regni regis Henrici vij6 xix6 [26 April 1504] xxxix.s.iiiij.d.7ob.

[f.11o blank]

1 See pp. 140-41.
2 See p. 141 where the money is said to be received of William Ricardes.
3 See p. 140.
4 See p. 143.
5 by the account' of John' Seger inserted above the line. John Seger’s Accounts are missing, see p. 144.
6 'This written in a different hand from the former accounts.
7 Sic.
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[\textit{f.\textit{rr}}]

\textit{Ihc}

Here after Foloyth' the Resets that y T Aphowell' have Ress' off dyuers persons as after Folothy by Item

In primis Ress' off John' text wryter' iij.s.iiij.d.

Item mor' of the Sayd John' for lathys j.d.

Item mor For a vatt Sond j.d.

Item mor off John' text wryter For a pece tymbyr ij.d.

Item mor' the xxvij Day off October off John' Perthyns and William Polle of monay Ress' of the Cherche alle' xxv.s. ther' was ij.d.ob. and ij.d. off the gunholes' xxv.s.

Item mor' Rec' on' Symon' day and Jude off Wyliam treheryn' and John' Forbor of good monay and bad xxxvij.s.ij.d.

Item Ress' off John' Davy' brewar' For iij peces For iij peces' small' tymbyr' viij.d.

Item Ress' off Rychard; Newton' For viij vattes Sond viij.d.

Item the x Day off November Ress' off William Sere and John Davyson xlj.s.iiij.d. a pece of a grotte a pece off a peny xlj.s.iiij.d.

Item Ress' of Hampton' the Carpynter For old tymbyr that lay in the Cherhard iij.s.iiij.d.

Item Ress' of Thomas Phylyps' barbor and Wyliam goldsmythe xlj.s.vj.d.

Item mor' Ress' off Thomas barbor that he owed to the Chyrche xj.s.

Item mor' Ress' of my Dowghter allys pynk For iij polls of old tymbyr that y sold to her' xvij.d.

Rees' off John' Seger for alle xliii.j.s.

[\textit{f.\textit{rv}}] Item Ress' For iij powles that y occupyd my Sylfe xij.d.

Item Rec' of Mastres spenser a pon' plege of a Challys v.l.i.

Item Ress' of Thomas barbor For old tymbyr iij.s.

Summa totalis the Resc' amont xv.li.viij.s.iiij.d. 5

Item mor Rec' of Thomas Phylypes For olde tymbyr vj.s.

Item Ress' of Hamtun' For old tymbyr iij.s.iiij.d.

Summa the hole' Som amont xv.li.xvij.s. 6 Stwyfte7

The wyche I hate Ress' and her folloypey my paymenttes

Her' after Foloyt the Costes that ther is payd to the massons by me Thomas appowell' anno lxxxiiiij

Item payd the massons the xx Day off Agost vj.s.vij.d.

1 Gunholes: coins?
2 \textit{Sic.}
3 \textit{W} struck through.
4 For repayment of this loan, \textit{see} p. 144.
5 The receipts total £15 8s. 8d.
6 xviij.s. written over xvij.s.iiij.d. struck through.
7 Written in a different hand from that of the account. Perhaps the name of an auditor.
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Item payd the massons on' sent mergyt is Day vij.s.vij.d.
Item mor' payd to Thoms Howell' and to Harper on' viij.s.iiij.d.
sent mychell' is yeve v.s.
Item payd them' the Same Day x.s.
Item p'd to Thomas Howell' and to Harper the v Day of x.s.
october
Item p'd to them' the xv Day october x.s.
Item p'd to John' Harper and Thomas Howell' the xxij
Day of october iiij.s.iiij.d.
Item payd Thomas Howell' and Harper For 3e For xviij.d.
Row Castyng off penyon
Item payd to Thomas Howell' in' Harper on' payment
of the task' on' symond is Day and Jude iij.s.iiij.d.
Item p'd thomas Howell' and Harper for Days 3e iij.s.j.d.ob.
Item p'd John' Harper the xxij Day of November For
iij Days at v.d.ob. the Day m'
[f.r2] Item payd John' Harper For iiij Days 3e at
v.d.ob. the Day m'
Item payd John' Harper on' Sent androws Day For
iij Days xxij.d.
Item mor' p'd thoms Howell' the Same Day For wekes
cont' xij Days at v.d.ob. the Day m'
v.s.vj.d.
Item payd thomas Howell' For iiij Days of werk on'
sent androws Day at v.d.ob. per day xxij.d.
Item mor payd thomas Howell' For iiij Days 3e on' owr
lady yeven' at v.d.ob. the Day i.j.s.
Item mor' payd on' sent mathew is yeve to Thoms
Howles and to Harper v.s.
Summa iiij.li.xix.s.ob. Swyfte

Item payd John' Harper For vij Days werk' the wek by
For Crystesmas iiij.s.
Item p'd thomas Howell For vj Days werk' the Same
yme iij.s.vij.d.
Item p'd and Delyvered the Sayd thoms Howell' j pyr'
hosse Clothe prece i.j.s.vj.d.
Item mor payd to Thomas Howell' and Harper x.s.
that the parson owed them' For the makyng vppe off
the penyon' of the new hows of the monay that John
Seger and y gedyrd For the alle syllynge x.s.
Item payd to James Why3t xx Day of Agost For lyme
vj.s.
Item mor' payd hym' For xj way lyme xj.s.
Item payd to the quarman' i.j.s.xj.d.
Item mor' to a warkman' j.d.
Item p'd to the lyme branars vj.s.

1 Sic.
2 Presumably Thomas Howell.
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Item payd for ij vottes of Sttonnes  
[f.12v] Item payd to sherwen’ quaryman the v Daye off 
October for tylstons  
Item mor pd scharwen’ on sent marten’ is yeve  
Item mor payd hym’ on sent Clement is Day  
Item payd steven’ laberar on’ the same Day For a Day 
and a 3e werk  
Item payd a laberar on myhell’ mas yeve  
Item payd to John’ brown’ laberar ij Days 3e the xv 
Day of october  
Item payd the Same Day to John Kryclay for iiij Days 
3e is labor  
Item pd the Same Day to John’ Pye laberer For v Days  
Item payd to stevyn’ laborar For Castyng of sond 
ow’ off the Selar For a Day  
Item payd Jorge laberar For ij 3 days  
Item pd the Second Day off november to ij laberars 
For beryng the old tymbyr to taylors hall’

Summa iij.li.xvj.s.iiij.d. Stwyfte  

Item payd to stevyn’ laborar For iiij Days 3e iiij.d.ob.  
per day m’  
Item payd stevyn’ laberar in xxij Day of november 
For ij hole weekes cont’ xij Days at iiij.d.ob. per Day m’  
Item payd to stevyn’ laberar on’ sent Androw is Day 
For iiij Days  
[f.13] Item payd on owr lady yeffe to stevyn’ laborar 
For iiij Days 3e at iiij.d.ob. m’  
Item payd James Why3t For havyn vppe off the 
stonis  
Item the xv Day ot october payd to Ware’ the quaray’ 
man’ For x ton’ stons  
Item mor’ payd on’ Sent androws Day For iiij way 
3e lyme  
Item pd For lyme stons  
Item pd ij laborars For a 3e day  
Item pd ij laboras For ij Days  
Item pd James Why3t For ij ways 3e lyme  
Item pd stevyn’ laberar For v Days the wek by For 
Crystes mas  
Item the vj Day of Feverall payd vnto ij laberas to 
Ryde; and and; mak Cler’ Cler For ij Days at iiij.d. a 
day a pece  

1 3e struck through.
2 Sic.
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Paymentes to the hallyars
Item pᵈ to Went the halyar For iiiij Draftes of stonnis iij.d.
Item payd to bock halyar For hallyng viij ton stonis xij.d.
Item Delyuered hym' a pon a Rekenyng xvjd. and he halyd1 x ton' stonis xvj.d.
Item payd thomas Dowdyng is man' For hallyng a lole of bordes ijd.
[f.13v] Item pᵈ to John' Harrys halyar For hallyng of tylstons viij.d.
Item pᵈ to boke halyar For hallyng off iij Doss' Robell' xxj.d.
Item mor For ij lode tylstons halyng iij.d.
Item payd to bock halyar for hallyng of Robell' to mak Clen' the Chorhay in' the viij Day of november [in margin 1494]

Summa xxix.s.vij.d. stwyfte

Item payd to Edmond Hyll' For hallyng a Mᵗ tylstons v.d.

Paymentes to the tylars
Item payd Wylliam Hannyns and hys man' the v Day of october v.s.viii.j.d.
Item pᵈ to Capon' the Same Day xvii.j.d.
Item pᵈ to Capon' For a hole weke vj.d. per Day iij.s.
Item pᵈ Wylliam Hannys For iij Days 3e at vj.d. the Day iijs.iij.d.
Item to hys man' For iij Days xxj.d.
Item pᵈ to Capon' For iij Days 3e at vj.d. the Day mᵗ iij.s.iij.d.
Item payd William Hannys For iij Days 3e at vj.d. a Day mᵗ xxj.d.
Item pᵈ Wylliam Hannys For iij Days at vj.d.ob. the Day ijs.j.d.
Item pᵈ William Hannys man For a Day v.d.
[f.14] Item payd John Capyn' For iij Days at vj.d.ob. the Day ijs.j.d.
Item payd William Hannys on' hallou' yeve a Rekenyng xijd.
Item pᵈ Cateryn' stevyns For a dos's mosse xijd.
Item pᵈ her For iiij stavys mosse² ijd.
Item pᵈ John Myhell' of lewen' med' ij stavys mosse ij.d.
Item pᵈ W large For xxj votte off Evis bord vj.d.
Item payd Wylliam Hannys tylar For the Clayyng and plasteryng off the new hovsse x.s.
Item mor payd William Hanys in Foll payment of the Clayyng of the sayd hows ijs.s.iij.d.

Summa xxxix.s.vij.d. Swythe

1 Two or three letters, illegible, struck through.
2 Stavys mosse: bundles of moss, moss being used as felting under roof tiles.

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Item payd the ix Day off November to hamton' carpynter in' part of payment Off iiijc quarter bordes in' monay
Item pd Jacob' is wyff For xiiij votte stayars
Item pd her For a plank
Item pd her For v votte stayares
Item pd T large For xiiij votte stayares
Item pd Jorge monews For a pece tymber
Item pd the Sawyer' For a post to the Seller Dorre
Item pd John' mor' For a quarter xiiij.li. in' gymows to the wendos at ij.d.the li'
Item pd allson kedell' For a v1 lode klay
[f.14v] Item pd allson' kedell' on' sent androws Day for a lode Clay
Item Delyuered plomer in' Balamstret; in' party of payment of a jc lede
Item pd the plomer is wyff
Item pd Harry brown' naylar in Reclyff strett the v Day of october For a M1 lathe nayls
Item payd the Same Day For iiiij tak nayle For iiiij bord naylle'
Pd For a jc hachenayll'
Item pd For a schovell'

Summa xxvij.s.iiij.d. Swyfte

Item pd Harry brown' For ijc bord naylls
Item For a C v skore nayll'
Item for a M1 lathe nayls
Item payd For iiiij M1 off lathe nayles
Item payd For iiiij off borde nayle
Item payd For j11 hagenayle
Item payd for j M1 tacnayle
Item payd for Vc bordnayle to John' borne
Item payd for jc off vstroknayle
Item For kalffettnayle
Item For jc bordnayle
Item for a quarter off calffattnayle
Item For nayles fett off Issabell Wynde
Item payd to John hamton carpenter for iiijc fotte off fetheryge borde vj.s.per jc ij.s.
[f.15] Item plus payd to Wylliam Sothealle for a M1 and a halfe off latthes prece the M1 iiijs. Somma
Item payd for jc off lathe nayle and for jc borde nayle
Item Delyuered to Wylliam Haynes for lathe nayles for the Sellyg of the porche

1 y inserted above the line.
2 Baldwin Street.
3 Five stroke nails.
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Item payd to stevyn masson on Symond ys Day and Jude vj.s.viii.d.
Item mor to hym the ix Day off November iij.s.iiij.d.
Item mor payd hym iij.s.iiij.d.
Item mor payd to hym a nother tyme vij.s.
Summa off the parcelles xl.s.j.d.ob. Swyfte

Paymenttes to the carpyneters
In primis payd to Wylliam Maryner carpenter onne iij.s.iiij.d.
Syntt bartellmew ys yeve x.s.
Payd to hym onne Syntt Mathew ys yeve x.s.
Payd to hym on syntt myghell' ys yeve x.s.
Payd to hym the vth Day off october xijj.s.iiij.d.
Payd to Wylliam Maryner ys men on awhalau yeve vj.s.vij.d.
Payd to Wylliam Maryner the ix Day off november x.s.
Payd to hym per me thomas Aphowell' vj.s.vij.d.
Payd to John' Webbe carpenter for vj Dayes labor ij.s.ix.d.
Payd to John' bole karpenter for vj Dayes labor ij.s.ix.d.
Payd to a manne of Magre' for ij c 3e of borde att xxiiij.d.
the j c iiij.s.ix.d.
Payd to John' Kollays In partye off payment off Sarten bwdleys borde For Doorys and wyndos vijj.s.ix.d.ob.
Payd to Thomas benteley trowman for a Koboll' off tember xliii.s.
Payd to the Rowe massoynes and free masoynes xliii.s.
Summa amont thes parcelles viij.li.iiij.s.ob. stwyfte

[f.r5v] Item payd to Watkyn Hoperys wyffe for vj polleys and For the halyg off the Same iijj.s.iiij.d.
Payd to Thomas large for ij 4 planks x.d.
Payd to Wylliam Were for vij 3 of cornish tylle iijj.s.iiij.d.
Pd to the Steynour for Rede oker and for hes werkmanschyp xvijj.d.
Payd to the ij masons for ij halffe Dayes to amend the cellar Dare and the wyndoos vj.d.
Payd to a laborer to wasshe the howse vij.d.
Payd for a plank to make the bulke ij.s.weroff j hafe ress' off John' Smythe viij.d. Soo Reste xvij.d.
Payd to Watkyn carpynter for ij Dayes and iij quarters xvij.d.
Payde to Wylylyam Haye' for stoppyng by twene the ij coklafetes vj.d.
Payd for a laborer to Serffe hym ij.d.

1 The items total £2 7s. 2¼d.
2 Magor, Mons.
3 Bewdley, Worcs.?
4 poolies struck through.
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Payd for a laborer by ij halfe Dayes to bere owte Duste and tember
Payd for borde nayle and hache nayle to make the
Dore a bowe In the hawle
Payd for iij new keyes
Payd for lyme to James Whyte
Payd to the quarryman

Somma on this Syde xxvij.s. Swytfe
Allso the parysche owt to me .T. Aphowell' off the
Reste of a cowte
Mor the parysche howt me off the Reste off a other
yers acowte
Summa thes ij Restes off a cowte xxix.s.iiij.d.

Soo amont my hoole paymettes as ytt aperythe a for wryten
xxiiij.li.xij.s. iiij.d.ob.† wer of I haffe Ress' xv.li.xvij.s.vij.d.‡ that
Descowtyd So Reste to me that I moste Ress' x.li.xix.d.ob. The
wyche I thomas Aphowell' hathe fornysyd To the byldyg off the
new howse

[f.16] Her followythe the costes and the money that I T Aphowell'
hathe lentte and payd wenne the chorgeyd was pollwtyd by Watken
Roys wyffe
In primis that I hafe payd vnnto Mr. barrytt by the
hands off Mr. arter kemes' In pryseynse off my co[?] :
John' Smythe iij.s.iiij.d. for the chorge ys be hoffe
Payd to the parson wen he Rode to Yatton′
Payd to hym for hes horse yre
Payd for iij gawnen wynne that was kefen⁶ To
Doctor chorge⁶
Payd for a botell with the wynne keffen⁶ To Doctor
chorge off a gawne and a quarter
Payd for iij quarttes wynne Sende to the fekery off
Yatton

Summa of alle thes parcelles afor' wretten viij.s.ix.d.⁹

† me struck through.
‡ The preceding totals for payments plus the sums due from the parish to
Aphowell add up to £25 12s. 24d. This figure added to the sum of 8s. 9d. given
below for payments made in connection with the pollution of the churchyard
makes a total for the whole payments of £26 os. 114d. as given on f.16.
§ The sum of the total receipts given on p. 16 was altered from £15 17s. 8d.
to £15 18s. od.
′ The Vicar of Yatton at this time was Vicar-General to the Bishop of
Worcester.
⁵ gawn: a gallon.
⁶ kefen, keffen: given.
⁷ Dr. Roger Church at this time was Commissary of the Archbishop of
Canterbury when the See of Worcester was vacant.
⁸ Mor I hafe lente To the behoffe off the churge xx.s.
Somma of alle these parcelles a bowe wryten xxvij.s.iij.d.
Soo amont the hole that I moste Ress' xj.li.x.s.iiij.d., all struck through.
⁹ This line written in a different hand.

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Summa total of all the paymentes that thomas ap’ howell’ hath paid fro the first begynnnyng of the bieldyng of the Church’ hous vnsto this present accompt made the xvijth Day of Marche anno domini Mii and oon xxvj.li.xj.d.ob. xxvj.li.xj.d.ob.

Morover the parisshons hath’ allowed vnsto the said Thomas ap’ howell xvij.s. which stode in variaunce before this accompt Summa xvij.s.

Summa total xxvj.li.xvij.s.xj.d.ob.

Whereof the same Thomas ap’ howell hath receyved as het appereth in his Receiptes afforewritten’ the somme of xv.li.xvij.s. xv.li.xvij.s.

More he that’ received3 a macer with a cover which’ Richard Shermans price v.li. v.li.

More he hath’ received of John’ Hovyngham for the Rent of iij yeres of his hous to be discounted vpon thacomptes of William Poole. John’ Mathowe. John’ Vaughan’ and Jamys Dolphyn’ for theire iij yeres Summa xl.s.

[f.16v] Item he hath’ received of the Church’ money3 for the payment made to Beyntley for a Cobbull’ of Tymbre xl.s.4 provided always that it is agreed bitwene the parisshons abouesaid. that if the said Thomas ap howell can prove betwene this day and Cristmasse anno domini Mii that he paid the said xl.s.5 to Beyntley. that then’ the same parisshons shall allowe vnsto the same Thomas ap’ howell vpon the said prove the said xl.s. Summa xl.s.

Morover the said Thomas ap’ howell’ hath’ given’ to the bieldyng of the said Church’ hous which’ xx.s. been’ allowed by the said Thomas ap’ howell in the Dette which’ the parisshons oweth vnsto the said Thomas xx.s.

Summa xx.s.

So Rest clerely that the said Church’ oweth vnsto the said Thomas ap’ howell xix.s.xj.d.ob. xix.s.xj.d.ob.

Summa xix.s.xj.d.ob.

1 This and the following paragraphs written in a different hand from the foregoing accounts.
3 of Richard Sherman s struck through.
3 which struck through.
4 See p. 21.
4 of his struck through.
Memorandum: that on’ the xxvijth Day of appreall anno regni regis Henrici vijmIxno nono [1504] the Curche hathe payd to Thomas apowell’ by the handis of John’ Mathew as it apereth’ in his accompte. Item payd to the seid Thomas apowell the same day by the handes of the parson’ and John Phillips proctor. xvj.s.vij.j.d. iijs.iiijd.ob.

Memorandum: it is agreed by all’ the parishe that if the seid Thomas can prove bytwene this and lamas nexte commyng that he payd the said xls. to Bentley that then the same parisshons shall’ alowe vnto the same Thomas the seyd xls.

[f.17-22 blank]

[f.22v]

[f.23] Ihc 1454

The accomplish of Richard Batyn’ and Robert Core procuratourz of this church of Seynt Ewen’ of Bristowe fro the ix. day of Aurell’ yn the xxxij 3er of Kyng Henry the vj vn to the xxvij day of Marche yn the xxxij 3er of the Regne of the seid Kyng, that is to sey not fully on hool yere. [1454-55]

Resceytes of Rentes

In primis of William Forbour rent gederer vn to sir Edmund Hungerford Knyzt of his place whiche late John’ Marle late huld and yn whiche John’ Hanley Goldsmythe nowe dwellyth for rent assise going out of the seid place yerly iiijs. whyche was be hynd iiiij.3er and di’ xvij.s.

Item of John’ Batyn’ Grocer of London’ for the place that Rychard Walweyn’ late huld and nowe Nycholas

1 This and the next item in a different hand from the foregoing paragraphs.
2 xvjs.vij.d. It struck through.
3 This memorandum in yet another hand.
4 Originally blank but This Liger booke [booke inserted above the line] begineth in this place the former writing is of such books clothes Jewelles and such things as were somtime be Longing to the church written in the same hand as the marginal note on f.23 which is dated 1624.
5 In this section the amounts of the rents, except in the right hand column of figures, are underlined.
6 In the margin not this is the 4s. per Annum Rente of John Waies house which was granted from the parson [church and struck through] and parishioners to on [William struck through] William Swaine in Edward the thirtes time as by a deed in the Church doth apper and as by the sequence of this liger doth apper this written Anno 1624. Other marginal annotations in the same hand concerning this property, which is later known as the Three Cups, are found at intervals throughout the Accounts. For the deed referred to, see p. 255.
Long holdeth of John' Tauerner Gentylman' terme of yerys for rent assyse goyng out 3erly of the seid place.j.li' wax whiche was be hynd.iij.3er and for which li' wax is vse to rescuyuer.vj.d.3erly  
Item of the seid Nycholas Long for rent assyse goyng out of the seid place be hynd.iij.3er  
Item of the same Nycholas for rent assyse of the same place goyng out and be hynd.j.3er  
Item of John' Wolf Tayllour for iij quarters rent of the place that he heldeth at wyll' of the seid procuratourz and parysshens beryng 3erly ther for to the same procuratourz and parysshens xxxij.s.iij.d. and to the parson' of the seid churche whiche shal be for the tyme iij.s.iij.d.  
Item of Thomas Dene Tayllour for rent assyse goyng out of the place that he dwellyth yn 3erly.vj.d.  
Item of John' Estmond and his wyf. wyf late of John' Stephens Wolmonger. for rent assyse goyng out 3erly of the place that he occupyeth yn Lewensmede be for the graye ferrys ther xij.d.  
Summa xlvij.s.  

[f.23v] Other rescuytys as folowen'  
In primis the same procuratourz rescuyed of Dauid Englund and Rychard Bransby their precessours of the arrerages of their accomptes and the churche is store iij.li.xj.s.iij.d.  
Item of an hoper for the fyndyng of a purs with yn the churche ij.d.  
Item of dyuers of the parysshe for wax condels v.d.  
Item of Robert Sturmy for a lytyl old bell' v.s.  
Item of John' Steynour for iij old barrels xij.d.  
Item on good fryday and estur day xij.s.  
Summa v.li.x.s.vij.d.  

Resceytys for the saal of Segys  
In primis of Rychard Batyn' Goldsmythe procuratour xij.d.  
forseeid for his sege and his wyf  
Item of Robert Core procuratour forseeid for: his wyf vj.d.  
is sege  
Item of Laurence Wolf for his sege and his wyf is xij.d.  
Item of John' Wolf for his sege and his wyf is xij.d.  
Item of Jamys Swetman' for his sege vj.d.  
Summa iij.s.  

Summa total of al the rescuytes viij.li.iij.s.vij.d.  

1 his sege struck through.
Here folowen the costes payed by the seid procuratourz
In primis for iij.nwe key to the entre cloce dore and for
the amendyng of the lok of the same dore  iij.d.
Item for besoms  j.d.
Item for on erthyn potte to put lamp oyl yn  ob.
Item to the raker for caryeng a way of the churche dust  iiiij.d.
Item for costes yn kepyng of the Sepulcre  ij.d.
Item for a nwe awbe and a nwe amys redy made  iij.s.iiij.d.
Item for xij.ellys of braban cloth for awbys and
amysses  vj.s.vj.d.
Item for making of iij.nwe awbys and iij.nwe amysses
made of the seid xij ell’ braban’  v.d.ob.
Item for iij nwe tukkyng gurdells  ij.d.
Item for the dy3yng of a pece sylk  j.d.
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre  vj.d.
Item for beryng of the baners yn the Rogacion Dayes  iij.d.
Item for strykyng of the churche gutters  ij.d.
Item for iij.nwe lampe  j.d.
Item to a frere on ascencion day  vj.d.
Item for a corporas cage and makyng therof and for the
makyng of a nother  xiiij.d.
Item for makyng of the pascal and font tabre and wax
ther to  ij.s.
Item for lampe oyl thro3 out the 3er  iij.s.vij.d.
Item for joynyng to geders of iij.stumped torches  ij.d.
Item for scouryng of the iij.basons condelstykkys.xij.
square boll’ and xiiij round boll’  vj.d.
Item for makyng of wax be fore the rode and seyntz
mary and kateryn ly3tes  xiiij.s.vij.d.
Item for the amendyng of the cros of the Coup and
gyldyng ther of with j.ston’ satte ther on  xvij.d.
Item for settyng on of the parurs of the best
vestymentz and wasshyng of hem and for settyng on
of the blue sute and wasshyng of al other cloths  xviij.d.
Item for makyng of iij.rochettes  viiij.d.
Item for costes of the general dyryge  iij.s.v.d.ob.
Item for j.lyne to the lent cloth  j.d.
Item for polusshyng and shauyng of the cros staf
Item to Rychard Batyn for wasshyng of the churche
clots  viij.d.
Item for a baas of tre to sette the best cros on  vj.d.

Costes don’ yn reparacion of John’ Wolf is hous
In primis for cley and sond  xiiij.d.
Item for iij quarters lyme  vj.d.ob.
Item for iij.laborers v dayes  iij.s.j.d.
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Item for ij masons, j. hool woke  vj.s.iiiij.d.
Item for j mason ij dayes and di’ xv.d.
Item for j laborer, j. hool woke iiij.s.vij.d.
Item for caryage of rubbell’ ix.d.
Item for naylys and bordes to the Shop wyndows and
ouer the Celer Door iiij.d.ob.
Item for, j. carpynter, j. day and di’ vj.d.ob.
Item to. ij. laborers to breke the goutes yn the stret xvij.d.ob.

Summa  xvj.s.xij.d.

Summa total of the paymentz  lvij.s.j.d.ob.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the
procuratourz for the 3er owen’ to the church’ and parysshons
v.li.v.s.vj.d.ob.1
Whiche v.li.v.s.vj.d.ob.1 they leyn down’ and gothe to the makyng
of the cros of Syluer as sueth.

[f. 25] Memorandum that Richard Batyn’ and Robert Core
procuratourz of this same church’ were beginnners and doers to the
makyng of a cros of syluer and ouer gylt yn their tyme and the
benefactourz ther to ben thes as suen.

Resceytes of syllynges of ale the same yer
In primis the seid. ij. procuratourz bo3t ale ioyntly and
ther of made clerly xv.s.
Item William Rowe Bruer gaf j. dossen ale and ther of
the same procuratourz made clerle vij.s.ix.d.ob.
Item the same William gaf yn. j. dossen ale and ther of
he made clerle xviiij.s.
Item Thomas Dene gaf yn. j. dossen ale and ther of he
made clerle vij.s.iij.d.
Item the forseid Robert Core gaf yn. j. dossen ale and
ther of he made clerle x.s.
Item the forseid Rychard Batyn’ gaf yn. j. dossen ale
and ther of he made clerle xiiij.s.iiiij.d.


Resceytes of bequestes and gyftes to the seid
cros of dyuers out of this church’
In primis of Thomas Lumbard vj.s.viiij.d.
Item of William Ferrour vj.s.viiij.d.
Item of Mors Whyte xx.d.
Item of Isabel Gyllard. j. crok’ sold for iiiij.s.ix.d.
Item of Mawd Hopkyn’ vj.s.viiij.d.
Item of dam Margaret Leche xij.d.

1 Figures underlined.
In primis of Mors Whyte
Item of Thomas Mede
Item of sir Rychard Brytte late parson of this church
Item of William Chester
Item of Henry Whyte Skynner
Item of Thomas Cofrer
Item of John’ Poyntmaker

Summa iiij.s.ij.d.

Item more gyftes out of this paryssh rescuyed as sueth
In primis of Agnes. George Roche is wyf

Summa iiijs.ij.d.

[f.25v] Resceytes of mony of men of the parysshe
In primis of the forseid Rychard Batyn’
Item of the forseid Robert Core
Item of John’ Nancothan
Item of John’ Hanley
Item of Dauid Englond
Item of William Taylour
Item of William Coke Forbour
Item of John’ Wolf Taylour
Item of Gillam Sampson’
Item of Jamys Swetman’
Item of Johan Taylour Wydue

Summa xlvs.xj.d.

Summa total of the rescuytes viij.li.xiijs.vj.d.ob.

Resceytes of broke Syluer to the cros forseid
In primis of Mors Whyte iij vnces iij quarters and j ferthyng gold west
Item of Nycholas Brown’ j spon’ pond iij quarters of an vnce
Item of Alice Sylkwomman’ .j.ryng of syluer pond’ di’ quarter and j ferthyng gold west
Item of Thomas Fyssher j spon’ pond’.j.vnce
Item of Lucie Thomas j vnce
Item of Henry Chester j vnce
Item of sir Moryce Vycary of al Halowen’ di’ vnce and di’ quarter
Item of the executourz of Edithe Blays j spon’ pond’.j.vnce
Item dam Margaret Leche di’ vnce and j ferthyng gold west
Item of Johan Hoper Wydue j vnce di’ and.ij.peny west
Item of the churche store iij quarters of an vnce

Summa xj vnces quarter prece le vnce iij.s.iiij.d.

Summa xxvj.s.iiij.d.

1 Figures underlined.
2 Sir Maurice Hardwicke.
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[f.26] Resceytes of other goodes as suen
In primis of William Ferrour
Item of Thomas Lumbard
Item of Isabel Gyllard
Item of sir Moryse Vycaurye of al Halowen
Item of John' Chyke. Henry Chester is man'
Item of the executours of Edith Blays

j torche
j torche
j bord cloth of twylly with a table corve closed
j rocchet
j bord cloth
and j towel of twylly

Thes whiche goodes ben left for the church' stoore
Summa total rescuyed to the cros. viij.li.xij.s.vj.d.ob. and xj vnces quarter of broke syluer. valued at xxvj.s.iiij.d. with the goodes aboue written'1

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the forseid procuratourz own vppon thes accomptes xiiij.li.xix.s.j.d. whiche and everie parcel ther of stont and ys yn the forseid cros with the seid xj vnces quarter broke syluer And sir Thomas Jacob parson' of this churche John' Nancothan William Taylour David Englond William Coke Forbour Gillam Sampson' John' Wolf Thomas Dene John' Hanley Laurence Wolf with others of the parysshe hau fully dyscharged the seid procuratourz of the seid somme and broke syluer whiche broke syluer is valued at the prece of1 xxvj.s.iiij.d. Summa total xv.li.v.s.iiij.d. And ths accomptes past be for the forseid parson' and parysshons the xxvij day of Marche a fore wrytten' etc.'

(in margin Nota) Memorandum that the forseid cros was justly weyed be for the forseid parson and parysshons. so he weyethe clerly and justly of clene Syluer and Gold. the barre of ire with yn not weyed. vxx and xvj vnces

vxx and xvj vnces

[f.26] The accomptes of the same procuratourz fro the seid xxvij day of Marche yn the xxxiiij 3er of Kyng Henry the vj vn to the xix day of February yn the xxxiiij 3er of the same Kyng. that is to say. not fully on hool 3er' [1455-56]

Resceytes of the Rentes
In primis of John' Wolf Taylour for the churche place whiche he yn dwelleth for the 3er xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Item of William Forbour rent gederer vn to sir Edmund Hungerford' Kny3t of his place whiche John Hanley Goldsmythe dwellyth yn for rent assyse a forseid iiiij.s.

1 In the foregoing paragraph, sums of money and weights underlined.
2 of inserted above the line.
3 Underlined.
Item of Nicholas Long for the place that Richard Walweyn late huld for rent assyse goyng out ther of 3erly as hyt is a forseid. j. li' wax  
Item of Thomas Dene Tayllour for rent assyse goyng out 3erly of the place that he dwellyth yn  
Item of John' Estmond for rent assyse goyng out 3erly of his place be fore the graye Frerys yn Lewenesmede as hyt is a forseid  

Summa xxxix.s.iiij.d.  

[f.27] Other rescuytes rescuyued by the seid procuratourz as suen  
In primis on good fryday ix.s.iiij.d.  
Item on Estur Day iiij.s.x.d.ob.  
Item for wax condels viij.d.ob.  
Item of the parryshons to the makyng of sir Thomas Jacob the parson is Surlype ij.s.vj.d.  
Item of Rychard Bransby of the daunsyng mony of his tyme and Dauid Englond beyng procuratourz of this churche iij.s.iiij.d.  
Item of Rychard Batyn Goldsmith' for the old cowp of copur pond' ij li' and di' x.d.  

Summa xx.s.vij.d.  

Rescueytes for the sales of Seges as suen'  
In primis of Robert Todde for Agnes his wyf is sege iiij.d.  
Item of William Botyller Hosyer for Isabel his wyf is sege iiij.d.  
Item of Arnold Hardman for his sege and his wyf ys xij.d.  

Summa xx.d.  

[f.27v] Rescueytes rescuyued to the Weel of the forseid cros of Syluer and ouer gylt by the seid procuratourz as suen'  
In primis of Thomas Suffregan' of the church' of al Halowes of Bristowe ij.d.  
Item of Nicholas Long vj.d.  
Item of John' Body Corvyser xij.d.  
Item of Thomas Hall' Lymebrenner iiij.d.  
Item of Master John' Payn Vycary of Yatton' vj.d.  
Item of John Kyngston' Hostler xij.d.  
Item of Elizabeth Sharp for the soul of William Lark xl.d.  
Item of William Nede of Congesbury iiiij.d.  
Item of Master Robert Lond iiiij.d.  
Item of Agnes Grene xl.d.  
Item of Nicholas Chambreleyn' iij.d.  
Item of Mold Coor' Wydue iij.s.iiij.d.  

1 Below this entry there is written, apparently in error, Summa xx.  
2 Assistant to the parish clerk. His name appears in All Saints' records.
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Item of Margaret Rowe
Item of Margaret Weltfare
Item of Phelyp Turnour
Item of the executourz of the forseid John' Kyngston
Item of Robert Clerk of the church' of the sylling of his ale
Item the same procuratourz sold the dossen ale gyt yn
by Margery Stacy and made ther of cler
Item of John' Sharp the elder of his Son' bequest
Item of Christofur Patynmaker
Item of Walter Touker Peautrer
Item of Pyers Grenfeld'
Item of John' Nancothan
Item of Arnold Hardman'
Item of Lewys Barbour

Summa

Summa totalis omnium receptionum

Item rescuyed of the forseid Mold Core Wydue

Payments payed by the seid procuratourz as suen
In primis for.j.lamp of glas
Item for besoms
Item for canvas and bocacyl' to the parurs of the seconde best chesypyl
Item for makyng of the same parurs
Item caryeng a way of the dust
Item for viij ellys of holond cloth for the parson is Surplice
Item for makyng of the same Surplice
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre
Item for beryng of the baners the rogacion dayes
Item for beryng of the best cros on Corpus Cristi day
Item for makyng of the font tabre and the pascal and the iij round tabres be for the roode
Item for a General Sentence vnnder my lord of Wurcestre is sele
Item for makyng and gyldynge of ij.bollys and the batylment of copur and ouer gylt
to the best cros staf. and for ij.pypys of tyn' to the same and for the peyntyng ther of
Item for wasshyng of the church' cloths thro3 out the 3ere
Item for lampe oyl throu3 out the 3ere
Item for costes of the general mynd

\[f.28\] Payments payed by the seid procuratourz as suen

Item for lampe oyl throu3 out the 3ere

1 A name erased, Hardman written above the line.

3 Figures underlined.

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Item for reparacion of our part of the gutter partable be twen vs and the Chapel of Seynt John’  
Iten yn costes of reparacion don’ yn John’ Wolf is hous  
Item for byndyng of this boke  
Item to the clerk for kepyng of the Sepulcre and for scouryng of condelstykkes and other gere a geyns Cristmas  
Item payed to William Chester  
Summa totalis omnium solucionum

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed to the seid procuratourz owen to the church’ vpon their accompt iiij.li.ix.s.ij.d.ob.q  
whiche goth to the weel of the cros and the same procuratourz fully dyscharged ther of. and so gon quyt out of their office. and thes accomptes past be fore the seid parson’ and parysshons the seid xix day of February the xxxiiij 3er of the regne of Kyng Henry the vj.

[f.28v] The accomptes of John’ Wolf and Willyam Sampson’ procuratourz of this churche of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe fro the xix day of February yn the xxxiiij 3er of Kyng Henry the vj vn to the xxij day of Marche yn the xxxv 3er of the regne of the seid Kyng that is to sey by.j.hool 3er’ and odde dayes. [I456–57]

Resceytys of the Rentes
In primis of John’ Wolf Tayllour procuratour for the 3er forpast

Item of William Forbour rent gaderer vn to sir Edmund Hungerford’ Knyght of his place yn whiche John’ Hanley Goldsmythe dwelleth for rent assise

Item of John’ Nancothan for the corner place which he holdeth of John Tauemer as hyt is more opynly conteyned yn this boke by the accomptes of Richard Batyn’ and Robert Core past of rent assise.j.li’ wax other for the same li’ vj.d.

Item of Thomas Dene Tayllour for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place that he dwellyth yn

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Resceytes on good Fryday and Estur Day
In primis rescyued on good Fryday

Item on Estur day

Summa

1 After Summa, xliiiij.s.ix.d. struck through and totalis omnium solucionum written above the line.

2 Figures underlined.
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Resceytys for segys
In primis of Thomas Arnold and Alice Sylkewoman' his wyf for ther segys xij.d.
Item of Cristofur Patynmaker for his sege viij.d.
Summa xx.d.

[f.29] Other resceytes as suen
In primis resceyued of the paryshsons to the makyng of the Canape that was brent xix.d.
Item of Robert Todde for the hyre of the best cros i.j.d.
Item of Robert Core for wax condels i.j.d.
Item of Robert Jakys of old dette xx.s.
Item of Rychard Bransby of old dette i.j.s.
Item of John' Wolf for wax condels i.j.d.ob.
Item of Laurence Wolf of old dette xiiiij.d.
Summa xxv.s.iiij.d.ob.

Resceytys to the' best cros forseid
In primis of Henry Ball' xviij.d.
Item of Laurence Wolf xl.d.
Item of John Atherley of London’ xl.d.
Item of Elizabeth Jakys xl.d.
Item of John’ Baker dwellyng with yn William Rotur iij.d.
Item of William Forbour xx.d.
Summa xiiij.s.iiij.d.
Summa totalis omnium recepcionum iij.li.xj.s.v.d.ob.

Resceytys of syllyng of ale
In primis resceyued of Robert Clerk and Robert Barbour for sellyng of ale viij.s.iiij.d.ob.q.
Summa viij.s.iiij.d.ob.q.
Summa iij.li.xvij.s.iij.d.q. in toto rec'

[f.29v] Payments payed by the seid procuratorz as suen
In primis to Robert Clerk' for clansyng of the churche a geyns Estur viij.d.
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre v.d.
Item for j.panyer besoms and colys i.j.d.
Item for beryng of the baners j.d.
Item to the Clerk for the amendyng of the churche hey dore i.j.d.
Item for the scouryng of the Canapye i.j.d.
Item for iij verges of Frenge to the canapye iij.d.ob.

1 the inserted above the line.
* Figures underlined.
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Item for corpus Cristi day, for the beryng of the best cros
Item for makyng of a lok and a key to the Font
Item to Richard Bransby for makyng of a Bawdryk' to the Bell'
Item for the costes of the general mynd
Item for oyl throgh the 3er'
Item for wasshyng of cloths of the churche
Item for makyng of the wax for the 3er'

Summa  x.s.iiij.d. ob.

Other payments as suen'
In primis payed to George Roche yn party of payment of vj.li.vij.s. for the cros leyd yn morgage for the seid somme

Summa  iij.li.vj.s.vij.d.

Costes of reparacions as suen'
In primis payed for Soudour to the gutter partable being the churche and Seynt John' is Chapel for the churche is part
Item for xijij bordes to the reparacion of John' Wolf is hous
Item for nayles and lyme
Item to the carpynter for his hond
Item to a mason
Item for studdes

Summa  iij.s.vij.d.ob.


So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid procuratourz owen vppon her accompt. xvij.s.ix.d. 1 whiche thei leyn down' and so gon quyte out of her office. and thes accomptes past be fore the forseid parson of this seid churche and paryshons. the seid xxij day of Marche the xxxv 3er of Kyng Henry the vj. [I457]

Memorandum that the same procuratourz hau left of the church is Stoore yn the hondes of Richard Waxmaker x.li'.iiij.quarters wax

[f.30v] The accomptes of Thomas Dene and William Forbour procuratourz of this churche of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe fro the xxij of Marche yn the xxxv 3er of Kyng Henry the vj vn to the xxj day of Marche yn the xxxvj 3er of the seid regne that is to sey. by on hool 3er. [I457–58]

1 viij.d. written at the side of xlij.d. struck through.
2 iijij.d. inserted above the line.
3 Figures underlined.
Resceytes of the Rentes
In primis of John’ Wolf Taylour for the 3er a for passed
Item of William Forbour rent gederer vn to sir
Edmund Hungerford’ Knyght of the place whiche
John’ Hanley Goldsmythe yn dwellythe for rent
assyse 3erly goyng out of the same
Item of John’ Nancothan for the place yn whiche he
dwellythe for rent assyse goyng out 3erly of the same as
hyt ys more playnly expressed yn this boke
Item of Thomas Dene forseid for rent assise goyng out
3erly of the place yn whiche he dwellythe
Item of John’ Stanley and Thomas Stephens rent
gederers vn to Jamys Merbury Squyer for rent assyse
goyng out 3erly of a place other ground j sette vpon
Myghhel Hyll’ of the seid Jamys ys .vj.d† whiche hath
ben be hynd vn payed xij 3erys and odde
Summa xlv.s.

Resceytes on good Fryday and Estur Day and others as suen’
In primis on good fryday and Estur day
Item of Thomas Dene forseid for old stuf of vestymentes
Summa xvij.s.iiij.d.ob.

[f.3r]

Other resceytes as suen
In primis for j.pan’ and j potager sold to Cristofur
Patynmaker for
Item of Robert Core for wax condels
Item of John’ Wolf for the lone of the best cros
Item of the parysshon to the wasshyng of the churche
Item rescyued of John’ Wolf and William Sampson’
ther precessourz
Summa xxj.s.xj.d.

Resceytes to the weel of the forseid cros
In primis of Robert Clerk and Dauid Forbour for
syllyng of ther ale
Item of Phelyp Mede and William Reynes executourz
of Margaret Mede
Item of George Roche marchant
Item of Thomas Dene is brother.j.bushel whete whiche
was sold for
Summa xxiii.s.iiij.d.ob.q*.

1 Figures underlined.
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Resceytes of the Saal of Segys

In primis of John' Nancothan for a sege to hys doghters .... iiij.d.
Item of Wyndryk Tayllour for his sege and his wyf is .... xij.d.

Summa totalis omnium recepcionum .... v.li.xj.s.qa.

[f.3rv] Paymentz payed by the seid procuratourz as suen'
In primis to Robert Clerk for scouryng of the condel-
stykkys lampys and kepyng of the Sepulcre .... xj.d.
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre .... viij.d.
Item for beryng of the baners .... ij.d.
Item for an hongyng lok to the churche hey dore .... ij.d.
Item for marbly and other colours to the pelers of the
churche and wasshyng of the same .... vj.d.
Item to the seid Robert Clerk towards his reward .... iiij.d.
Item for beryng of the cros on Corpus Crísti day .... ij.d.
Item for costes of the dyner the same day .... ix.d.ob.
Item for the amendyng of the paxe .... j.d.
Item to a Carpynter for the amendyng of the paal yn
the churche hey and for hokys twystes naylys and the
groundsel .... xx.d.ob.
Item for lede soudour and castyng of lede to the same
paal .... ij.s.
Item for oyl as for the 3er .... iij.s.j.d.ob.
Item to George Roche as yn ful payment for the cros .... iij.li.xvj.d.
Item for the amendyng of the gret cofur .... viij.d.
Item for condels and bowes a gyens Cristesmas .... iiij.d.
Item the eschaunge of a cruette .... ij.d.
Item for the pascal font tabre and al other lyghtes
throg' out the churche .... xvj.s.ijj.d.ob.
Item for the costes of the general mynd .... ij.s.iiiij.d.
Item for the amendyng of the post yn the churche hey .... j.d.
Item to Rychard Kayton' to be with vs of counsayl for
the takyng of a pece wax for a distres out of Geoffrey
Gryffythe is hous as for the.x.s. goyng out 3erly of the
same hous .... xx.d.
Item to John' Douer the Sergeant to kepe thepees at
the same distres takyng .... ij.d.
Item of wasshyng of the churche cloths as for the 3er .... xvj.d.
Item for besoms .... j.d.
Item to Robert Clerk for scouryng a gyens Cristesmas .... iiij.d.
Item for the clansyng of the gutters of the churche
when the grete snowe was .... ij.d.

Summa .... iij.li.xiiij.s.vj.d.
Costes of reparacions as suen
In primis to a carpynter for the makyng of iij. nwe wyndows yn John' Wolfis Celer and for the Iregere stuf and the hond of the same xxijj.d.
Summa xxijj.d.
Summa totalis omnium solucionum iiiij.li.xvj.s.v.d.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed: the seid procuratourz owen vppon their accompt xiiij.s.vij.d.q.1 whiche they leynt down' and so gon quyte out ther office. and thes accomptes past be fore the seid parson' of this churche and the parysshons the xxijj day of Marche yn the xxxvj 3er forseid.

(in margin Nota) And as to the forseid xiiij.s.vij.d.q.1 whiche as hyt ys forseid leid down' the seid procuratourz at the prayer of the seid parson' and parisshons hau taken vppon them their seid office as for the 3er suying and to satefie the same xiiij.s.vij.d.q.2 at al tymes to the churche is behoue etc.

Memorandum that the forseid.x.li.iij.quarters Wax restethe and is set yn the hondes of the a for named Richard Waxmaker etc.

[f.32v] The accomptes of Thomas Dene and William Forbour procuratourz of this churche of Seynt Ewen is of Bristowe fro the xxijj day of Marche yn the xxxvj 3er of Kyng Henry the.vj.vn to the xx day of Marche yn the 3er than next suying that is to sey by on hool 3ere [1458–59]

Resceytes of the Rentes
In primis of John' Wolf Tayllour for our place whiche he dwellethe yn xxxijj.s.iiiij.d.
Item of my master sir Edmund Hungerford' by the hondes of William Forbour forseid. his rent gederer. fro rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place yn whiche John' Hanley Goldsmythe dwellethe iij.s.
Item of John' Tauerner Gentylman by the hondes of John' Nancothan for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place whiche the seid Nancothan yn dwellethe. j.li' wax. other els for the same li'
vj.d.
Item of the seid Thomas Dene for rent assyse goyng out 3erly of the place whiche he dwellethe yn vj.d.
Summa xxxviiij.s.iiiij.d.

Resceytes for the wax condels
In primis of dyuers of the parysshe vj.d.
Summa vj.d.

1 to be allowed inserted above the line.
2 Figures underlined.
Resceytes on good fryday and Estur Day
In primis resceyued the seid.ij.dayes ix.s.vij.d.
    Summa            ix.s.vij.d.

Resceytes for buryenges
In primis of the executourz of sir John' Gower the Tayllours prest for his buryeng on Surpliance and without the entrecloce dore as [ . . . ]' gothe on old portuos noted yn to seynt John' is Chapell' and a Super Altare .j.Surplis and.j.old portuos noted and a Super Altare

[f. 33] Other resceyte us suen'
In primis resceyued of Richard Waxmaker a fore named the .x.li' iij quotas wax whiche was left yn his hond of the churche store. as hyt ys a fore x.li.iij.qa. wax wrytten and was occupied this 3er emong the wax a boue the Rode loft
Item resceyued for the soul of Nycholas Stone j torche .x.li. and iij.quarter wax with j.torche

Resceytes of the salys of segys
In primis of Pyers Grenfeld' for his sege and his wyf ys xiiiij.d. Summa xiiiij.d.
    Summa totalis omnium recepcionum xliix.s.vij.d.

Paymentz payed by the seid procuratourz as suen' In primis for a.batylment to hong a clothe ouer the seipulcre yn the chauncel Item for i naylys ther to
Item for tynned rek hokys ther to Item for besoms
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre Item for iij.torches and for makyng of the pascal and the font tabre
Item for halowyng of iij.corporases Item for j.lampe
Item for keepyn of the Sepulcre Item for beryng a way of the churche dust Item for wasshyng of the churche clothes Item for bowys and condels a geyns Cristmas Item for makyng of the rode lyght of seynt Kateryn is lyght and our lady lyght
[f.33v] Item payed for the costes on corpus Cristi day
Item for beryng of the cros the same day

1 One word undeciphered.
2 *the* inserted above the line.
3 *tynned* struck through.
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Costes of reparaciones of the nwe dore yn the Rode loft
In primis for bordes to the same dore xiiiij.d.
Item for naylys vj.d.
Item for hokys and twistes ix.d.
Item to the carpynter for his hond xvij.d.

Costum iiij.s.vij.d.ob.

Costes of reparaciones of the Churche rof
In primis to a tyler to ouer go the rof.iiij. dayes xvij.d.ob.
Item for latthys j.d.
Item for di’ C lathnayl j.d.
Item for lyme. here and tyle pynnys v.d.
Item for ij.li’ Soulour v.d.
.Item for di’.C.Asyn Ston’ iij.d.

Costum iij.s.vij.d.ob.

Costes of reparaciones don yn John’ Wolf is kychyn.
and the cros yn the churche hey
In primis for ij.masons.ij.dayes iij.s.ij.d.
Item for j.quarter lyme ij.d.
Item for j.pece of lede to the same kychyn’ ij.s.vij.d.ob.
Item for j.pece of tymbre iij.d.
Item for Asyn Ston’ v.d.

Costum v.s.vij.d.

[f.34] Summa totalis omnium solucionum xxxiiiij.s.v.d.¹

So accompted to ben accompted and allowed to ben allowed the forseid procuratourz oven vpon this ther present accompte xv.s.ij.d. whiche resteth yn ther hondes. and to satefie the parson’ and parysshons at al tymes that thei shal be requyred. And for als moche as the parson deyed. thes seid accomptes was differed. and the procuratourz forseid toke vpon’ them to occupie and exercise their seid office as for the 3er than next and immedyatly suyng

[f.34v] The accomptes of Thomas Dene and William Forbour procuratourz of this churche of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe fro the.xx.day of Marche yn the xxxvij 3ere of Kyng Henry the vj vn to the xx day of Marche yn the 3er than next and immedyatly suyng. that is to sey. on hool 3er’ [1459–60]

¹ Figures underlined.
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Resceytes of the rentes
In primis of John' Wolf Tayllour for our place yn whiche he dwelleth xxxiiij.s.iiiij.d.
Item of my master sir Edmund Hungerford' Knyȝt by the hondes of the seid William Forbour his rent gederer for rent assise goyng out 3erly' of his place yn whiche Pyers Grenfeld' Hosyer dwelleth called the thre coupes
Item of John' Tauerner Gentylman' by the hondes of John' Nancothan' draper for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place yn whiche the same John' Nancothan dwellythe.j.li' wax. other els for the same li' wax
Item of the seid Thomas Dene for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place whiche he dwelleth yn
Summa xxxviiij.s.iiiij.d.

Resceytes for wax condels
In primis of Robert Core for wax condels at.ij.tymes iiiij.d.
Item of the seid Thomas Dene for wax condels at on tyme ij d.
Summa vj.d.

Resceytes for saal of Segys
In primis of John' Chetcorn Tyler for his sege and his wyf is xvj.d.
Item of William Tayllour for Agnes his doȝter is sege vj.d.
Item of Mawde Robert Core is moder for hir sege vj.d.
Item of John Forbour withyn Rotur for his wyf is sege viij.d.
Item of Alice wyf of John' Capper for j.sege be hynd the nwe entre close vj.d.
Summa iij.s.vj.d.

[.35] Resceytes for buryenges and legates
In primis of Elizabeth Jakys. executrice of the testament ot sir Thomas Jacob. late parson of this seid churche for his sepulcure to ben had there vj.s viij.d.
Item more of the seid Elizabeth for the same sir Thomas Jacob is soul xxij.d.
Summa viij.s.vj.d.

Resceytes on good Fryday and Estur day
In primis resceyued the same.ij.dayes vij.s.
Summa vij.s.

'3' struck through.
2 In margin The house cated the 3 Cupps written in the same hand as the marginal note on f.23 which is dated 1624.
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Other receytes as suen
In primis of Syr Thomas Seward' parson this 3er of this churche for his part of the gutter be twen the Chauncel and the churche
Item of Robert Clerk of sylyng of his ale.ij.tymes to
the makynge of the entrecloce
Item of Robert Barbour of sylyng of his ale to the
makynge of the same entrecloce
Item of Wyndryk Tayllour to the makynge of the same
entre cloce

Summa  xij.s.vj.d.ob.

Summa totalis omnium recepcionum  iij.li.x.s.iiij.d.ob.

[f.35v]  Paymentes payed by the same procutourz
In primis for j.lok and j.key to the rode loft dore be
fore nwe made  xiiij.d.
Item for settyng on of the same lok and the naylys
Item for kepyng of the Sepulcre and beryng a way of
the dust  vj.d.
Item for makynge of the pascal and the font tabre  xviiij.d.ob.
Item of the moder churche of Wurcestre  viij.d.
Item for beryng of the cros on Corpus Cristi day  iij.d.
Item for costes of the dyner the same day  x.d.
Item for beryng of the baners  iij.d.
Item for wasshyng of the churche cloths and the
surplys'  xxij.d.
Item for settyng on of the parris to ij awbys and
to ij.amyses  iij.d.
Item for j.matte to the long sege that stont voyde  iij.d.ob.
Item for boghes and condels a geyns Cristmas
Item to a plaster to amend a defaut ouer the vestyre
Item for costes of the general dirige
Item for scouryng of the lampes. condelstykkes and
the bollys a geyns Cristmas  x.d.
Item for iiij gallons oyl bogt yn a potte  iij.s.vj.d.
Item more for oyl ix pyntes.ij.d.ob. the pynt
Item to the waxmaker for chauinge and makynge of the
wax thro3 out the churche for the 3er'
Item for makynge of the entre cloce.be nethe next to the
font that ys to sey. hond and tymbre  ix.s.
Item for the barre of ire behynd the same. pond' xix.li'
Item for ij peyr gemowes to the ij.dores of the same
Item for the makynge of the ij.lytel seges behynd the
same entrecloce
Item for the amendyng of the lytyl dore yn the paal
next to Bradstrete  vj.d.
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Item for the amendyng of the gout yn the churche hay. to .ij. laborers xj.d.
Item for lyme stonyys iij.d.
Item for xvj quayers wrytten' towards a legend. fro Advent vn tyl Estur iijj.s.iiiij.d.

Summa xlvj.s.ix.d.

[f.36] Costes of reparacions don' on the gutter partable be
twen' the churche forseid and Seynt John' is chapel ther
In primis for plankys of oke yn stede of the gutter cases iiiij.s.
Item for water bordes of oke iij.s.iiiij.d.
Item for tymbre . to bere the seid plankys . and the
halyng xij.d.
Item to .ij. carpenters iij.s.
Item for tyle stonyys iij.s.
Item for lathenayl ix.d.ob.
Item for bordnayl and hacchenayl v.d.
Item for latthys iiiij.d.
Item for the tyler v.s.ob.
Item to .a. mason' viijj.d.ob.
Item for ij quarters lyme v.d.
Item to .a. plasters to make a table ouer the gutter for
his hond and mater x.d.
Item for halyng of the lede and tymbre and caryeng a
way of rubbel v.d.
Item to a laborer viijj.d.
Item for [?] iijj.d.ob.
Item for tyle pynnys j.d.ob.
Item for iiij c quarter and iiiij li' of nwe lede prece the .C. xvj.s.v.d.
v.s. summa

Item to the plomer' for castyng of .x.C.di' and xxv.li'
lede prece the .C. xvjd. summa xiiiij.s.iiiij.d.

Item for xiiij li' soudour iiiij.s.
Item to Thomas Crowe Sergeant to fecche Thomas
Walsshe master of the seid chapel be for' the mayr' to
pay his part of the seid reparacions iij.d.

Summa lvj.s.vij.d.ob.
Summa totalis v.li.iiij.s.iiiij.d.ob.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the
parson and parysshons of this forseid churche owen vn to thes seid
procuratourz vppon this ther present accompt xxxiiij.s. of whiche
xxxiiij.s. the same procuratourz owen to the seid parson' and
parysshons of ther accomptes past theij. jerys next be fore this 3er
as hyt appereth' yn the fote of ther same accomptes xxix.s.ix.d.qa.

One word undeciphered.
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which discompted the same parson and paryshpons owen yet to the same procuratourz iiij.s.ij.d.ob.q². rest yn the box. v half pens and.j.ferthyng of syluer

[f.36v] The accomptes of William Tayllour and Richard Bransby procuratourz of this church' of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe fro the xxı day of Marche yn the xxxviiij 3er of Kyng Henry the.vj. vn to the xxıı day of Marche yn the 3er than next and ymmedyatly suyng. that is to sey by on hool yer' [1460–61]

Resceytes of the rentes
In primis of John' Wolf Tayllour for our place yn which he dwelleth xxxiiij.s.iiij.d. Item of sir Edmund Hungerford' Knyʒt for rent assise goyng out ʒerly of his place yn which Pyers Grenfeld' Hosyer dwelleth called.iiij.coupes iiiij.s. Item of John' Tauerner Gentylman' for rent assisse goyng out ʒerly of the place yn which John' Nancothan dwellyth.j.li' wax. or for the same li' wax vj.d. Item of Thomas Deen Tayllour for rent assisse goyng out ʒerly of the place yn which he dwellyth vj.d. Summa xxxviiij.s.iiij.d.

Resceytes for wax condells
In primis of dyuers men of this parysshe at dyuers tymes x.d. Summa x.d.

Resceytes of saales of segys
In primis of Thomas Phelyp Barbour for his sege and his wyf is xij.d. Item of John' Capper for his sege be hynd the nwe entre cloce vj.d. Item of Mold Benet for hyr sege withyn the old entre cloce x.d. Item of Cristofur Patyn maker for his wyf is sege vj.d. Item of Thomas George Corvyser for his sege and his wyf is xij.d. Summa iij.s.x.d.

[f.37] Resceytes of legates and buryenges and lone of the best cros
In primis of Agnes Burgeys for the best cros to hyr moder is buryeng iij.s. Item of Richard Batyn Goldsmyth' for his wyf is buryeng withyn the church' iij.s.
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Item of the same Richard.iiiij.stones of syluer and ouer gylt. with.j.couerchyf to serue the best coupe for pryncepal dayes
Item of Thomas Phelyp Barbour for the best cros to his wyf is buryeng
Item of sir Walter Salcombe a pece of nwe lynen cloth for a corporace
Item of Elizabeth Jakys iiij verges iiij quarters of nwe lynen cloth for a auter cloth
Item of the executourz of Thomas Spenser. j.torche. j. towel of playn cloth

Summa iiiij.s.vj.d. iiiij stones syluer and ouer gylt. j. couerchyf j. pece of nwe lynen cloth iiij verges iiij quarters of nwe lynen cloth and j. torche. j. towel of playn cloth

Resceytes on good fryday and Estur day
In primis on good fryday v.s.v.d. iiiij.s.iiiij.d.
Item on Estur day

Summa viij.s.ix.d.

(in margin Nota) Memorandum that the seid procuratorz rescuyed of Thomas Walsshe mayster of the Tayllours of Bristowe. for an yn name of al the brether and Sisters of the Fraternyte of Seynt John' Baptist founded with yn this forseid church'. as for the costs of reparacions of the di' part of the gutter' appurteynyng vn to the Chapell' of Seynt John' of the seid Fraternite. whiche costes of reparacions of the seid di' part the seid procuratourz and parysshons hau born the charge vn to the gret hurt of this seid church'. Vpon which' ther fel varyaunce and to put this varyaunce a part. and to eschue the lawe. the seid mayster by thassent of John' Felton' and Thomas Nede wardeyns of the seid craft. John' Nancothan David Englond Thomas Stapleyll' Thomas Phelyp. and al others yn ther comone hall' assembled the xviiij day of Novembre yn the xxxix 3er of the seid kyng aggreed to pay xviiij.s.3 for ther seid di' part payed by the procuratourz of this next 3er be for this. whiche mayster wardens and al the seid craft hool graunten to pay and bere fro her hens forward 3erly and for euer more the costes of al maner of reparacions appur-

1 iiiij.s.vj.d. underlined.
2 of the gutter inserted above the line.
3 to pay struck through.
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teynyng to the di' part of reparacions yn eny wyse of
the seid di' part

Nota  What som euer hit shal com xvij.s."

Summa  xvij.s.1 to. and turne the lef and se fer

[f.37v] (in margin Nota ad hoc) What som euer hit shal com to to
the di' part of the gutter forseid2 and to this aggreement withyn
wrytten3 Syr Thomas Syward parson of this church', the seid
procuratourz. by thassent of Robert Jakys then Shyref of Bristowe
and paryshen ther and al so brother of the seid fraternyte sworn'.
John' Sharp on of the foundourz of the same.3 and Henry Chester al
so brother of the same sworn'. vpon' whiche this seid aggreement
John' Nancothan John' Wolf Laurence Wolf and al the hool parysshe
and also the seid mayster and wardeyns and al the hool fraternite
appoynted and fully agreed to abyde the determynacion4 touchyng
the seid varyaunce of the forseid Robert Jakys John' Sharp and
Henry Chester. and a comunicacion and tretys had by thassent of
al the seid parties hyt was thogt that the varyaunce shuld best be
determynd and ended withyn al the felawshyp of the same fraternyte
and to this al parties forseid condescended. and the day month and
3er' withyn written' al thynges consciencely consydered yn the
party of the seid mayster wardeyns and hol fraternyte and howe the
same parson procuratourz and parysshons and al ther precessours
and predecessours hau born to ther gret and vn portable charge the
reparacions appurteynyng to the seyd6 partable gutter and other
charges whiche longed of due ryzt the same hool fraternyte to bere.
that fro here hens forthward and for euermore without eny maner of
contradicccion the seid fraternyte to bere and subport at al tymes as
oft and when nede shal requyre. and yn tokyn her of the mayster
withyn written' thassent hool of the fraternyte hath payed to thes
procuratourz for the 3er' yn name of the seid parson and parysshons
as hyt ys withyn wrytten' xvij.s. sterlinges And the same mayster
and procuratourz yn token of vnyte and pees drunken' to geders and
at the rescyeit of the seid xvij.s. the mayster had a geyn ij.d.7

Summa  xvij.s.

Summa totalis omnium recepcionum  iiij.li.xiiiij.s.iiij.d.

1 Figures underlis.
2 to the di' part of the gutter forseid inserted above the line.
3 An error. This John Sharp is son of John Sharp who founded the
Fraternity.
4 touchyng struck through.
5 of inserted above the line.
6 seyd inserted above the line.
7 All sums of money in the foregoing paragraph are written much larger
than the rest.
[f.38] Paymentz payed by the seid procuratourz as folowen'
In primis payed for.j.staple of jre to the southe church'
dore
Item for.j.barre of tre to the same
Item to the carpynyter for his hond
Item for.v.li’ lede to zote the seid staple fast yn stone
and for.j.thong to hong the pynne fast yn the seid barre
of tre
Item for purpul sylko to the couerchyf gyf yn by
Richard Batyn as hyt is a forseid for the best coupe
and the iiij stones of syluer and ouer gylt ther of
Item for blessyng of iiij auter cloths and.ij. corporaces
Item for clansyng of the churche and kepyng of the
sepulcre
Item for colys besoms and ale
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre
Item for beryng of the cros of Seynt George is day
Item to William Forbour.on of the procuratourz this
lattest yere. for dette due to hym at his accomptes as
hyt appereth yn the same
Item for the eschaunge and costes of the pascal and
font tabre
Item for beryng of the baners
Item for costes of the dyner on corpus Cristi day
Item for beryng of the cros the same day
Item for iiij.ellys of lyn cloth to the clerk is surplyce
Item for makynge of the same
Item for.j.tukkyng gurdel
Item for lampe oyl
Item to a glasyer to amend the glas wyndowe by seynt
Kateryn is auter
Item for the amendyng of our part of the gutter
Item for clenyng of the same gutter
Item for the chaunge and makynge of al the round ly3t
thro the church'
Item for the chaunge of.j.torche
Item for settyng on of the parurs of vestymentes
Item for condels and bowes a 3enst cristmas
Item for costes of the general mynd
Item for wasshyng of the churche cloths
Item to the master of the craft forseid at the rescyeof
the seid xviiij.s. espended

Summa xxv.s.xj.d.

1 xviiij.d writted at the side of vj.d struck through.
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[f.38v] Costes of reparaciones don’ vppon’ John’ Wolf is hous
In primis for iij.tylers.iii.dayes and di’ iiij.s.vij.d.
Item for tyle stony’ vij.d.
Item for lyme’ iij.d.
Item for di’ doffen crestes’ iiij.d.
Item for bordes and nayles’ iiij.d.
Item for tyle pynys’ j.d.ob.

Summa v.s.vij.d.ob.
Summa totalis omnium solucionum xxxij.s.vj.d.ob.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be the seid procuratourz owed to the seid person and parysshons vppon’ thes ther present accomptes xlij.s.iij.d.ob. whiche thei leyn down’ and so gon clerly out of ther offices as for this 3ere and thes accomptes passed be fore the same person and parysshons the day and 3er’ a for seid

So ther is yn the Box xlij.s.vj.d. clere of this 3er’

Item Thomas Deen ow’ vj.d. be hynd of hys rent of this present accompt be cause he was emonges others of this town’ with our soueraigne lord King Edward the iiijthe Kyng of Ingland and of Fraunce and lord of Ireland;

Memorandum that yn this 3er was recouered xviij.s. as for the partable gutter be twen our churche and seynt John’ is Chapell’ to vs adiugged as hit is aforseid and so for euermore the master of the Tayllourz and al his successourz who so euer he be shal bere half cost of the same partable gutter etc.

[f.39] 1461

The accomptes of Piers Grenfeld’ and Wendryk Tayllour procuratourz of this Churche of Seynt Ewen is of Bristowe fro the xx day of marche yn the furst 3er of Kyng Edward the iiijthe yn to the furst day of Auerell’ yn the 3er than next and ymmedyatly suyng by on hool 3er and odde dayes [1461–62]

Resceytes of the rentes
In primis of John’ Wolf for our place yn whiche he dwellethe; xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.

Item of sir Edmund Hungerford Knyst for rent assise goyng out 3erly of his place yn whiche the seid Piers Grenfeld dwellethe called iiij.coupes iiij.s.

1 Edward, having won a victory over part of the Lancastrian forces at Mortimer’s Cross in Herefordshire on 3rd February 1461, entered London on the 26th with the Earl of Warwick. On 4th March he acceded to the throne and shortly after moved against the Lancastrian army in the north which was defeated near York on 29th March.

2 Originally written 1460.

3 In margin in a later hand not
Item of John’ Tauerner Gentylman’ for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place yn whiche John’ Nancothan’ dwelleth.j.li’ wax. or for the li’ wax  
Item of William Brydde Roper rent gederer vn to John’ of Merbury for rent assise goyng out 3erly of a cloce sette on myghhel hyll’  
Item of the seid William for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the seid cloce. beyn g be hynd of William Tayllour and Rychard Bransby beyn g procuratourz of this seid church’ yn the xxxviiij 3er of Kyng Henry thevj. yn dede and not of ry3t as hyt appereth’ yn this boke vppon ther accomptes  
Item of Thomas Dene Tayllour for rent assise goyng out 3erly of the place whiche he dwellethe yn  
Summa xxxix.s.iiij.d.  

Resceytes for wax condels  
In primis of dyuers men of this parysshe for wax condels at dyuers tymes  
Summa x.d.  

Resceytes on good fryday and Estur day  
In primis on good fryday  
Item on Estur day  
Summa viij.s.iiij.d.  

[f. 39v] Resceytes of saal of segys  
In primis of John’ Lyncoln’ Tayllour for his sege and his wyf is  
Item of John’ Forbour for his sege  
Summa xv.j.d.  

Other resceytes as suen  
In primis of sir Thomas Douce prest for the hyre of the best cros to his moder is buryeng  
Item of John’ Stanley xxxvij li’ and di’ of wax  
Item of the same John’ by the hondes of his executourz j.torche  
Summa iiiij.d.  
xxxvij li’ and di’ wax.j.torche  

Summa totalis omnium recepcionum 1.s.ij.d.  

Paymentes payed by the seid procuratourz as suen  
In primis for makyng clene of the churche  
Item for besoms  
Item for wacchying a bout the sepulcre  

1 xij.d struck through.
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Item for scouryng of the condelstykkes bollys senser
and lampys ij tymes yn this 3er
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre
Item for beryng of the baners iiij dayes
Item for beryng of the best crosse on seynt George is
day and corpus Christi day
Item for the dyner on corpus Christi day
Item for the amendyng of the palys yn the church’ 3erd
Item for washyng of the churche cloths thro3 out the 3er
Item for the hyre and wast of the pascal and the font
Item for the amendyng of the vestymentes
Item for lampe oyl

Summa  ix.s.vij.d.ob.

[f.40]  Costes don’ on the parttable wal be twen our hous that John’
Wolf dwellethy yn and the parsonage whiche parsonage was
this 3er of the nwe made by the seid parson

In primis for xij studdes
Item for hacche nayle
Item to a carpynter di’ a day
Item for iiij.bondell’ of latthys
Item for M' lathe nayl
Item for iiij quarters lyme
Item for the selyng of John’ Wolf is spence’ and the
partson’ and for the hond
Item for here

Summa  v.s.vij.d.ob.

Costes don on the churche rofe

In primis for j.waynful tyle ston’ and ij hors lode
Item for iiij quarters lyme
Item to iiij tylers for x.dayes. every day. vj.d.ob. summa
Item to j.laborer. vij.dayes every day. iiij.d. summa
Item for lathe nayl
Item for tyle pynnys
Item for caryeng a wey of the rubbel
Item for washyng of the churche poynon’ a geyns
Kyng Edward the iiij the is commyng
Item for the amendyng of the gout be twen John’ Wolf
and Richard Batyn’
Item to a plasterer for the amendyng of the churche
 gutter
Item of the clenyng of the gutters. what tym the gret
snowe fel. to the clerk

Summa  xiiij.s.

1 spence: a pantry or other place in which food is kept.

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Costes of the general mynd

In primis for brede                          ix.d.
Item for ale                                vj.d.
Item for chese                              vj.d.
Item for the parson'                         vj.d.
Item to ij. prestes                         iiiij.d.
Item to the clerk for ryngyng               vj.d.
Item the mas peny                           j.d.

Summa                                        ii.s.iiij.d.

[f.40v] Costes don' yn the church' as suen    j.d.
In primis for the amendyng of the whel of the lampe
Item for makyng of the round and square lyzt of the
church' pond' lxxvij.li' of whiche xxvij.li' was' parcel of
the xxxvij.li' and di' gyffen yn by the forseid John'
Stanley and the xi.li' wax ouer plus was of the church
stuf and old stor'. so rest yet yn the churche wax vn
made of the same John' Stanley ys gyft and payed for
the hond of the seid lxvj.li'
Item payed to Hycchecok the sompnoyr to cyte
the parson of Seynt Warburgh' and Geoffrey Gryffythe for
the grauntyng and cloignyng; a wey of the 3erly rent
of.x.s. due to the churche

Summa                                       iij.s.
Summa totalis omnium solucionum            xxxiiiij.s.vij.d.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid
procuratourz owen to the seid parson and parysshons vpon' this ther
present accompt xv.s.vij.d. whiche thei ley'n down' and so gon quyte
out of ther offices as for this 3ere past and thes accomptes passed be
fore the seid parson sir Thomas Syward which made his parsonage of
the nwe as hyt is a forseid yn this same 3ere and be fore other
parysshons the first day of Auerell' forseid

Memorandum that ther is left of John' Stanley is wax 3et vn made
xj.li' and di'
Item the forseid Thomas Dene is 3et be hynd of vj.d. for the cause a
fore rehersed

The accomptes

[f.41] The accomptes of David Englond and Pyers Grenfeld' procuratourz of this Churche of Seynt Ewe of Bristowe fro the first
day of Auerell' vn to the latest day of Marche fro the seid first day
yn the ij° 3er of King Edward the iiiij° vn to the seid latest day

1 of struck through.
2 Cloine: to take fraudulently.
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yn the 3er than next and immedyatly suyng that is to sey. by on hool 3er’ [1462–63]

Resceytes of the Rentes
In primis of John’ Wolf for our place yn whiche he dwelleth yn xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Item of sir Edmund Hungerford’ Kny3t for rent assise as hyt is be fore rehered iiij.s.
Item of John’ Tauernar Gentylman’ for rent assise as hyt is a fore rehered vj.d.
Item of William Bryd Roper. rent gederer vn to John’ of Merbury. for rent assise vj.d.
Item of Thomas Deene Tayllour for rent assise as hyt is a fore rehered vj.d.
Item of John’ Estmund for rent assise goyng out 3erly of his place be fore the gray Frerys yn Lewenesmede. whiche hath ben behynd vnpayed.vj. 3eres be fore this accompt 3erly.xij.d. and as for this 3er’ is and stont vnpayed vj.s.
Summa xliii.j.x.d.

Resceytes for wax condels and others as suen’
In primis for wax condels x.d.
Item on good fryday and Estur day ix.s.iiij.d.
Item of the parysshons and others to the byeng of.j.peyr of processioners of laton’ iiij.s.iiij.d.
Summa xiiij.s.vj.d.
Summa totalis omnium recepcionum lviiij.s.iiij.d.

[f.4r] Paymentes payed by the seid procuratourz as suen
In primis for kepyng of the Sepulcre iiij.d.
Item for makyng clene of the churche iiij.d.
Item for the best cros’ beryng on seynt George is day ij.d.
Item for wasshyng of the churche clothes xv.d.ob.
Item for.j.fyre pan’ of jren ij.d.ob.
Item for beryng of the baners on the procession dayes iiij.d.
Item to the moder churche vj.d.
Item for costes of corpus Cristi day. to the parson prestes clerkes and others xviiij.d.ob.
Item for beryng of the best cros the same corpus Cristi day ij.d.
Item for lampe oyl ijs.v.d.
Item for besoms j.d.
Item for.j.lampes ij.d.
Item for the peyr of processioners of laton’ ijs.ij.d.

1 of struck through.

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Item for j. sterre of laton'  ij.s.x.d.
Item for the costes of the general mynd  ij.s.ix.d.ob.
Item for makyng of al the wax thro3 out the 3er'  x.s.v.d.
Item for makyng of the pascal and the wast ther of and for the Font tabre  xix.d.
Item for talowe condells a geyns cristmas  iiij.d.
Item for scouryng of condelstykkes a geyns the seid tyde  iiij.d.

Summa  xxvij.s.viiij.d.

Other costes as suen

In primis to Roger Kemys and Richard Kayton' men of lawe to be with vs of counsayl a geyns John' Sharp and Geoffrey Gryffythe for our rentes by them withdrawn' fro the churche at dyuers tymes viij.s.v.d.ob.

Item to John' Estmund is wyf. at the rescyeof the seid.vj.s. behynd this.vj. 3ere  iij.d.

Item to the seid Roger Kemys for the forseid cause  iij.s.iiij.d.

Summa  xj.s.xj.d.ob.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid procuratourz owen to the seid parson' and parysshons vppon this ther present accompt xviiij.s.viiij.d.ob. whiche thei leyn down' and gon quyt out of ther office. and thes accomptes past be fore the seid parson' and parysshons the lattest day of Marche forseid

Memorandum that the seid xj li' wax; and di' was expended this 3er'

Item Thomas Dene forseid ow1 3et the seid.vj.d.

Item John' Estmund ow2 for this 3er'  xij.d.

Memorandum that ther is bogt this yer.j.peyr of processioners and.j.sterre of laton' as hyt is yn this accompt rehersed

Memorandum that ther come yn this 3er' yn to this church.'ij.cloths steyneyd of purpal colour. the crucifixe Mary and John'. poudred with rosys and floures that is to sey. the reredoce and the frontel. with the.ij. curtyns of the same work. whiche were John' Sharp is etc. for the hygh' Auter

[f.42v] The processe begon' a geyns John' Sharp for the reteyn of.xxx.s. issant' of our ground | as sueth which he holdethe of vs

1 wax inserted above the line.
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John’ Sharp

To the ryght reuerent fader yn god Bysshop of Excestre Chaunceler of Engeland

Humbly besecheth your pouver oratourz Thomas Syward’ parson of the church’ of Seynt Eweyn’ yn the town’ of Bristowe Thomas Dene and Richard Branesby procuratourz of the same. that wher Philip suntyme parson’ of the seid church’ John’ Bryggewater and William Wodeford’ then procuratours of the same were seased of x.s.of rent goyng out of certeyn londes yn the seid town graunted the seid rent with the reuerson of the seid londes to on John’ Rede Burgeys of the seid town’ to haue to hym and to his heyres for euer. whos astate on John’ Sherp nowe hath. 3eldynge to the seid parson’ and procuratourz and to ther successourz for euer xxx.s. 3erly. which’ rent hath ben behynd by long tyme vnpayed and to ther gret dyssete ther can be found vppon the ground ne they mowe no cessavit for the seid rent. pleas hyt your good and gracious lordship to dyrecte a writ sub pena to the seid John’ Sherp to apere a fore the Kyng at his court of Chauncerie at a certeyn day vppon a certeyn peyn by you lymyted ther to be examyned yn the premisses for the gret relefe and sustenance of the seid poer church’ yn the reuerson of god and yn wey of choryte and they shal hertly pray to god for your good estate

plegg’ de pros’ William Lewellyn’ de Br’ gentylman’

Thomas Dene de Br’ gentylman’

John’ Sharp

Edwardus dei gracia rex anglie et francie et dominus hibernie dilectis sibi Thome Yonge Willelmemo Canynges Johanni Shypward’ et Rogero Kemys salutem Quia de et super veritate querimonie in quadam peticione coram nobis in Cancellaria nostra per Thomam Syward’ clericum Thomam Dene et Ricardum Branesby versus Johannem Sherp nuper exhibita contente necnon de et super omnibus et singulis articulis et circumstancijs querimoniam illam concernentibus vt tucius et consulcius pro iusta in eadem exhibenda procedere valeamus per vos plenius cerciorari volumus vobis de quorum circumspeccione prouida plenam fiduciam optimemus dedimus potestatem et auctoritatem partes predictas ac alios quos maxime pro testificacione veritatis premissorum fore videritis euocandos ac ipsos et eorum quemlibet de querimonia articulis et circumstancijs predictis diligenter examinandi Et ideo vobis mandamus quod viso tenore peticionis predicte quem vobis mittimus presentibus interclsum ac materia in eodem per vos plenius intelllecta partes predictas ac alios quos in hac parte vt predictum est fore videritis euocandos coram vobis ad certos dies et locum quos ad hoc provideritis venire faciatis et euocetis ac ipsos et eorum quemlibet super premissis

1 cessavit: a writ which lay where a man held lands by rent or other services and neglected or ceased to perform the services for two years together.

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diligenter examinetis Et nos de examinacione illa cum sic capta fuerit in crustino animarum proximo futurum in Cancellaria nostra umbicumque tunc fuerit sub sigillis vestris distincte et aperte reddatis cerciores hoc breve nobis remittentes Teste me ipso apud Westmonasterium xx die junij Anno regni nostri tercio Vpton'

John’ Sharp
Memorandum that the monday the xxj day of May Thomas Dene and Richard Bransby procuratourz of this church’ deluyered a wryt sub pena to John’ Sharp yn prescence of John Wykeham mayre of Bristowe Richard Alberton’ shiref of the same William Codur and many others yn the countre yn the iiijde 3er of King Edward the iiijth

[f.43]

John’ Sharp
Memorandum that sir Thomas Syward’ parson of this churche Richard Bransby and Pyers Grenfeld’ paryshsons deluyered the Twysday on the eve of the Exaltacion of the holy cros yn the iiijde 3er of king Edward the iiijthe the dedimus potestatem to Thomas Yong William Canynges John’ Shypward’ and Roger Kemys to haue the mater yn examynacyon’ be twen vs and John’ Sharp touchyng the reteyn of the xxx.s. comprysed yn the byl by vs sued and put vp to my lord Chaunceler as hyt more playnly appereth yn the same. wrytten yn that other syde

John’ Sharp
Memorandum that the fryday the first day of Octobre yn the iiijde 3er of King Edward the iiijthe assembled the forseid Thomas Yong William Canynges John’ Shypward than mayr of Bristowe and Roger Kemys personally yn the lytel counsail hous withyn the countre. the forseid parson and al the paryshshe ther be fore them called and appered. wher appered al so1 John’ Sharp and Phelyp Mede with hym. and ther we first shewed our euydences and John’ Sharp with the seid Phelyp Mede shewed their euydences. and this don’ ayther partie went a part. and thes seid iiiij wurshipful men communed of the mater and toke further deliberacion ther vppon’

John’ Sharp the copy of the forseid wryt sub pena
Rex Johanni Sherp’ salutem Quibusdam certis de causis coram nobis in Cancellaria nostra propositis tibi precipimus firmiter iniquientes quod omnibus alij pretermissis et excusacione quacumque cessante in propria persona tua sis coram nobis in dicta Cancellaria nostra in.xv\* sancte Trinitatis proximo futurum ubicumque tunc fuerit ad respondentum super hijs que tibi obiciantur tunc ibidem et ad faciendum ulterior et recipiendum quod Curia nostra considerauerit

1 so inserted above the line.
in hac parte Et hoc sub pena xl.li. nullatenus omittas Et habeas ibi
tunc hoc breve Teste me ipso apud Westmonasterium xij die maij
Anno regni nostri tercio

Pemberton

John' Sharp
Memorandum that thes forseid Thomas Yong William Canynges
John' Shypward' and Roger Kemys vppon' the seid ferther deliber-
cation by them taken hau communed to geders and the mater and
cause by them ryped. understode wel that the terme was comme
and the Sergeant fest nygh' at hond and the same Thomas on of the
viij Sergeantes deputed must nedys make prevysyon' and kepe his
terne. myght not attende wel to labur yn the mater for a fynal
conclusyon' and the kyng to be certyfied of them the examynacion
of al the seid mater on the morn vppon' al Seulys Day next as hyt
appereth yn the seid dedimus potestatem. wher for by al ther advyce
ther shuld be take a nother wryt of prorogyn for which' Roger
Kemys labored a boue yn the al Soul terme and had with hym1 ther
for of the procuratourz forseid ij.s.i.j.d. sterlynges

[43v] Thus ys the award made by John' Wykeham Mayr' of
Bristowe Rychard Alberton' Shyref of the same and Thomas
Oseney town' clerk' of the same Arbytratourz yndyfferently
chosen be twen vs and Geffrey Gryffyth' as for the with-
holdyng of x.s. of sterlinges rent assise due vn to vs as yn
ry3t of this churche goyng out 3erly of the place whiche he
dwelleth yn Baldewynstret of Bristowe forseid as sueth

Geffrey Gryffythe
In primis we the afornamed John' Wykeham Rychard Alberton' and
Thomas Oseney Arbytratourz yndifferently chosen be twen' sir
Thomas Syward' parson of this paryssh' church' of Seynt Ewen is of
Bristowe Thomas Dene and Rychard Bransby procuratourz of this
same by the ful assent and aggrement of John' Nancothan William
Tayllour Dauid Englond Pyers Grenfeld' Rychard Batyn and Robert
Core with others parysshons of this same of that on partie. and
Geffrey Gryffyth' marchant of Bristowe and on of the Bayllyfs of the
same town' of that other partie. Al the seid parties be fore vs
apperyng and therto fayth and truth had and made to vs of and
by al the seid parties and her vppon' toke on vs the charge and
besynes of the controuersye and varyance hongyng be twen the
same parties touchyng the reteyn and witholdingyng of the seid rent
assise of x.s. sterlinges 3erly goyng out of the seid Geffrey Gryffyth'
is place as hit is be fore reheresed. And al maner of euydences bokes of
Accomptes and other memoranda of this seid paryssh' church' and by

1 hym inserted above the line.
the seid parson' procuratourz and parysshons and the dede endented made vn to the seid Geoffrey and by hym to vs also shewed and wel vnderstonden. The name of god1 furst called we awardyn determyn and fynally adiugge that for als moche as the seid parson' procuratourz and parysshons as yn ryght of this seid paryssh' church' hau ben endowed and possessed out of tyme that no mynd ys of a rent assise of x.s. sterlinges goyng out 3erly of the place with the appurtenaunces sette yn Bristowe yn the stret called Baldewynstret yn which' the same Geoffrey dwellyth that2 the same Geoffrey and his assignes or who so euer he be beyng ynhabytant and yn dwellyng the seid place shal pay or do to be payed fro this day furthwades and so for euermore quarterly i.j.s.vj.d. sterlinges. that is to sey 3erly x.s. sterlinges. whiche i.j.s.vj.d. the same Geoffrey payed be fore vs vn to the seid parson and procuratourz the Twysday fallyng yn the vygyl of the Apostols Petre and Poul [28 June] yn the 3er of our lord M iiiij lxijj and yn the iiij yer of Kyng Edward the iiiijth.

Item we awarde determyn and fully adiugge that as for a pece of wax pond' l' li' beyng yn the warde of the same parson and procuratourz taken by way of a distres late by William Forbour and the seid Thomas Dene beyng for the tyme procuratourz of this same paryssh' church' that the same parson' and procuratourz have hold occupie and enioye that same pece wax as ther propre goodes with out eny contradiccion of the seid Geoffry or of eny other yn his name yn a recompence and also satisfaccion of the arrerages due by the same Geoffry vn to the seid parson procuratourz and parysshons for the terme of.xvij.3eres and odde [f.44] of.xvj. 3eres and odde which' same dystres we awarde determyn and fynally conclude was and ys wel duly truly and iustly taken' as yn ryght of this same paryssh' church'

Item we awarden determyn' and finally sentence gyf yn the premisses that hyt shal be leful and lawful vn to the same parson procuratourz and parysshons and al ther successourz whiche shal be for the tyme that yf shal fortune the same rent of Assise of x.s. sterlinges or eny part ther of quarterly to be payed yn part or yn the hool after eny terme due that hyt oghe to be payed yn to the seid place with al his appurtenaunces to entre and distreyne and distresses ther yn found lefully and lawfully to take and a uedys them to hold and reteyn and so bere away. And so for to do at al tymes as shal hap the seid rent of Assise of x.s. sterlinges or eny part ther of to be behynd vn satedied and vnpayed.

And this our award passed and concluded by the hool assent and aggreement of al the seid parties the day and 3er' aboue seid.3

1 The name of god written in a larger script.
2 that written in a larger script.
3 An award, in Latin, sealed with the seals of the three arbitrators and the Mayorality seal of Bristol is among the parish records. Bristol Archives Office P/St.E/D.13.
Memorandum that the thursday the morn vpon Seynt Thomas is day the Apostol the xxij day of decembre yn the iiijde 3er of King Edward the iiijthe aforwrytten assembled by vertue and auctorite of the forseid dedimus potestatem of a nwe wryt amended and proroged for the cause forseid our Master John' Shypward mayr of Bristowe William Canynges and Roger Kemys personelly yn the Countrie the seid mayr is Shop. wher appered also the seid parson of this church' Thomas Deen and Rychard Bransby procuratourz of the same and Robert Core yn name of al the hool paryssh' for the weel and purpose be fore labored, and al so ther and then appered personelly the forseid John' Sharp and Phelyp Mede as for ther pretense tytle. And we ther and then be fore al the seid parties shewed.iiij.dedys ij of them polled and ij endentedyd yn a box sent to vs at our cost by on Edward Basyng Styward of the landes of the lady prioresse of mynchyn kynghton'1 makyn geydence for our tytle of the seid xxx.s. rent assise restreyned by the seid John' Sharp which' were ther and then2 radde by Thomas Oseney town' clerk as an yndyfferent man. And for also moche as hit was consideredyd by our iiij Masters that our Master Thomas Yong late made the Kinges Sergeant wold be here at Brystowe the monday the morn vpon' nwe 3er' is day next suyng the mater forseid ys contynwed and so stont in statu quo est vn tyl the commyng of our seid Master Thomas Yong and this for an answer as this day and so departed. And the seid John' Sharp and Phelyp Mede ther and then opynly seid be fore our seid iiij Masters that we shuld haue our 3erly rent of xxx.s. wyld we nold we3 etc.

[f.44v] Ad huc Sharp
A remembrance to you our maystres commyssoners assigned yn the forseid dedimus potestatem that our seid Master John' Sharp hath reteyned our rent of Assyse 3erly yssant xxx.s. by al the tyme and space of xliij 3eres

Summa iiij.liiij.li.x.s.

Item our costes to sue for monycions suspensions and other maters yn the spirituel lawe as to our lordes Archebysshop of Caunterbury and Bysshop of Wurcestre and for the wryttes of Sub pena dedimus potestatem and prorogyng of the seid dedimus potestatem and other remedyes sued yn the temporal lawe vn to our seid soueraigne lord King Edward the iiijthe

Summa iiij.li.viij.s.iiij.d.

Summa iiij.li.xvij.s.iiij.d.

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1 Benedictine priory of St. Mary, Kington St. Michael, Wiltshire. For deeds see p. 253.
2 were struck through.
3 Willy, nilly.
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Ad hoc Sharp
Memorandum that the monday the iiijde day of Janyuer yn the iiijde 3er of King Edward the iijde come vp our seid Master Thomas Yong. arrayed yn a long blue gown ungurd\(^1\) with a scarlet hode vnrolled and,\(]\) standyng Roone\(^2\) cap of scarlet as the custom is of Sergeantes to go. at the our of iiij the after non of the seid monday yn to the forseid countre wher were redy and mette hym our Masters the seid mayr' John' Hawkes Shyref and many others of the commune counsayl of Bristowe and so yncontinently went vp yn to the counsayl hous a boute the seid countre ther for this 3er ordeyne and ther communed of dyuers maters long tyme vn tyl ny3t. and our seid parson. Roger Kemys on of the seid commyssoners yn the seid dedimus potestatem with others yn the same compromysed. our seid ij procuratourz Pyers Grenfeld and Robert Core. as yn name of al our hool parys$h$e wel commed our seid Master Thomas Yong besechyng hym to gyf his attendaunce to our seid mater and he seid he wold the next morn ther vpon' yn als moche as nyght was comm and this this\(^3\) day was spend and so an answer etc.

Ad hoc Sharp
Memorandum that the Twysday the iiijde day of Janyuer aforseid and yn the iiijde 3er of the regne of King Edward a boute wrytten come vp our seid Master Thomas Yong yn his array aboue specified and yn the countre aboueseid with our master the seid mayr' and our Master William Canynges ther personelly assembling commylyng eft sonys of our seid mater by vertue of the seid dedimus potestatem and ther and then was showed by vs and by the seid John' Sharp and Phelyp Mede our euydences ageyn a fore none of the same day and ther euydences also and ther vpon' the \([f.44\^a]\) seid.iiij.wurshipful men desyred a respьте vn tyl after none of the same day and so al parties to be answered. and so this a fore none was spent

Ad hoc Sharp
Memorandum that the after none of the same Twysday com' and that same day our seid Master Thomas Yong dyned with our seid Master William Canynges and so after dyner came vp vn to the seid countre al the seid iiij wurshipful men and ther and then communed of the mater and shortly with.iiij. or.iiij. communycacions every partie of the seid parties fro ether examyned concluded to a lynal ende by the assent hool of al the seid parties yn maner and fourme as sueth.

\(^1\) ungurd inserted above the line.
\(^2\) Roone: vermilion.
\(^3\) Sic.
\(^4\) This folio omitted from the first numeration and numbered 44\(^a\) in a later hand.
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Ad hoc Sharp et hic finis de eo

Memorandum that our seid Master Thomas Yong by the assent of our Master John Shypward then meyr of Bristowe William Canynges and Roger Kemys by auctorite of the dedimus potestatem a fore by vs sued to them commyttted. that is to sey. that our seid Master Thomas Yong shuld gyf sentence yn our seid mater as man lerned put as hyt is forseid yn gret worship whiche toke on hym the besynes of the decre and sentence to be gyf yn the mater. Furst by the auctorite forseid fynally adiuggd and determynd that John' Sharp forseid shuld a thys half the fest of Seynt Hyllary next suyng pay vn to the seid parson of this church' as yn ry3t and behoue of the same.xxx.s sterynges of whych the same parson shal deliuer hym a geyn xxix.s.viij.d. and the parson to take vp.iiij.d. as yn ry3t and possession of the seid annuel rent of.xxx.s. And so the seid parson and his successourz shal rescuyue quarterly of the same John' Sharp iiiij.d. terme of his lyf only. And after his dethe his heyres to pay quarterly.vij.s.vj.d. that is to sey xxx.s. sterynges 3erly and to distreyen and reentre accordyng to our old dedys by vs to on John' Rede graunted etc. And that the same John' Sharp shal suffre vs to take1 assise a geyns hym and so passe by assent etc. And for als moche as al our seid Masters understonden that the seid John' Sharp is aduyysed of his conscience to depart with sum of his goodes and to leve to this church'. ther for the parson and his successourz shal pray for the astate of the seid John Sharp and of Elizabeth his wyf and to haue yn remembrance his fader his moder and his son' yn the general mynd 3erly And we to relese al our arrerages and costes susteyned yn to this day. and so after ther dethe

[f.44v] ther dethe to be prayed for euermore yn the commune bed roll' and ther obyte to behold 3erly emong other benefactourz of this churche ther yn vsed. lyke as this award more playnly appereth yn a payr of an Indenturs2 enseled be twen the seid parties made by the advys of our seid Master Thomas Yong wrytten with his clerk' is hond for whiche wrytynge his clerk' rescuyed of vs.xx.grotes and for wax to seal the same Indenturz ob. cost vs etc.

Ad hoc Sharp

Memorandum that the saturday the viij day of Janyuer yn the iiijde 3er of King Edward the iiiijthe our seyd parson rescuyed by the seid John' Sharp is hondes be fore Phelyp Mede Elizabeth my maystras Sharp our procuratorz and Robert Core and others yn his hall' at the cupbord ther standing xxx.s. yn whych were iiij.nwe nobles and the plus grotes and pens by the parson told and of whiche the same parson toke vp a nwe grote and the xxviiij.s.viiij.d.3 plus

1 take inserted above the line.
2 See p. 254.
3 Sic.
delyuere forthewythe vn to the same John' Sharp accordyng to the seid awarde and the seid Phelyp Mede ther and then at my seid maystras special prayer the seid Phelyppe Mede lent hyr his signet to sele hyr part of the seid Indentur' and ther ry3t seled and made delyuer ther of as lawe wyl. And for als moche as ther past large wordes yn the tyme of the labur of this our sute yn bothe parties ther and then at the desyre of the seid Phelyp Mede euery partie of the seid parties ther present toke other by the honde and my seid maystras as for hyr part kyssed our seid parson our seid iij procuratorz and the seid Robert Core and so with gret gentyl wordes departed euery man home vn to his own' etc.

And here an ende with John' Sharp' } amen
benedictus deus amen } amen

Quod Robert Core notarye
So yn the labur of this present 3er is bro3t yn.x.s. rent assise restreynd by Geyffrey Gyrlyth and xxx.s. rent assise reteynd by John' Sharp and recouered as hyt ys be fore remembred

[f.45] Ad huc Sharp
Memorandum that the monday next after the fest of Seynt Hyllary the xvij day of Janyuer yn the iijde 3er of King Edward the iijth John' Shypward then mayr John' Hawkys then Shyref William Bryd and Walter Coston' then Bayllyfs was hold yn the 3eld hall of Bristowe the general Assyse of lond. and that same day was our Assise as for the a foreseid xxx.s. rent assise with holden fro this churche 3eres and dayes by the foreseid John' Sharp and to this same churche adjuged ryghtfully by the foreseid John' Shypward Thomas Yong William Canynges and Roger Kemys ther to assigned by the King and by vertue of his wryt called dedimus potestatem yn maner and fourme as hyt ys a fore rehersed fyrst called and shal passe by assent of the same John' Sharp whiche Assise was adiourned vn tyl the Thursday yn the Estur woke then next suyng etc.

The benefyte of our maystras Elizabeth Sharp
Memorandum that the Sonday the viij day of Janyuer yn the iijde 3er of King Edward the iijth our seyd maystras Sharp ful womanly bro3t the Cake with Condels vn to this churche hyr mayden beryng the same after hyr. and a fayre twylly towel with werkys at bothe endys and hool and after that she had ofred vp the Cake and Condels with hyr prayers as custum ys of suche Actes called vn to hyr our seid parson Gyllyam Sampson John' Wolf Robert Core Robert Jonettes our paryssh' clerk' and others dyuers bothe men and women ther and then beyng present a lytyl be fore the our of viij before matyns tyme seid thes wordes. Fader parson and my gostly Fader

* of inserted above the line.
and al beyng here present. j am ryzt fayn and glad of this good ende is j had and concluded be twen' my husbond and you and this churche. An yn tokyyn wher of. after my decesse. j gyf you this same towel. And for als moche she sayd more that this same churche stont destytute of a long towel to serue the parysshions of an' Estur day but to knyt iiij. or. iiij. smal towels to geders as j se wel 3erly j wol that the clerk of this churche feche this towel every Estur day only yn wurshyp of the sacrament and after my decesse with out eny condicyon lyt shal remaygne vn to this church to the seid vse etc.

[f.45v] Sharp
Bristoll' Thomas Syward Rector ecclesie sancti Audoeni Bristoll' de placito intrusionis Assise frisce forcie secundum consuetudinem ville Bristoll' de libero tenemento suo in Bristoll'

Ista billa impetrata fuit xvj die januarij Anno regni regis Edwardi iiij° post conquestum tercio

Johannes Shipward maior ville Bristoll' Willelmus Brid' et Walterus Coeston' balliui maioris et communittatis eiusdem ville Thome Bryd' balliuo etc. salutem Quia Thomas Syward' Rector ecclesie sancti Audoeni Bristoll' invenit nobis pleggios de clamore suo prosequendo scilicet Johannis Roberd et Johannem Smalcombe versus Johannem Sharp de placito intrusionis scilicet assise frisce forcie secundum consuetudinem ville Bristoll' de libero tenemento suo in Bristoll' post primam etc. Ideo tibi precipimus quod facias tenementum illud reseisiarii de catallis que in ipso capta fuerint Et ipsum tenementum cum catallis esse in pace vsque in diem jovis proximo prius festum pasche proximo futurum etc. Et interim facias xij libros et legales homines de visneto illo videre tenementum illud et nomina eorum imbreviari Et summone eos per bonos summonitores quod tunc sint coram nobis apud Bristoll' in Guylhaal' predicto parati inde facere recognizem Et pone per vadi' et salvos plegg predictum Johannis Sharp vel balliium suum si ipse inuentus non fuerit quod tunc sit hic etc. auditurus illam recognizem etc. Datum Bristoll' xvj die januarij Anno regis Edwardi iiiij° post conquestum tercio

Responsio Thome Brid' balliui ad hoc preceptum

Johannes Sharp infranominatus attachiatus est per pleggios Henrici Don' Ricardi Yate Thome Stone et Johannis Cley

xij juratores summoniti sunt et nomina eorum et eorum summonitori patent in panello huic precepto consuto

* an inserted above the line.
Inrat' inter Thomam Syward Rectorem ecclesie
sancti Audoeni et Johannem Sharp

Johannes Gaywode    jur' Johannes Yong marchant    Willelmus Syluer
jur' Johannes Saynte    jur' Johannes Crede    Johannes Jay senior
Henricus Chester    jur' Johannes Yong weuer    jur' Willelmus Broun' baker
Robertus Bolton'    Nicholas Bonce    jur' Willelmus Wanstre
Henricus Broun'    Nicholas Brygge    jur' Willelmus Water
jur' Johannes Roaut    Willemus Dynham    Johannes Courtlowe
jur' Johannes Innyng    Ricardus Thyngwal'    jur' Walterus Hendy
Thomas Jankynges

Summoniores    Henricus Smyth'
               Dauid Englon
} M' eorundem

Memorandum that the sayd John' Innyng

gaf the veredyncte

Thomas Jonys
Dauid Don'
Sharp

Memorandum that the Thursday yn the Estur woke fallyng on the v. day of Aueurell' yn the iiiij^th^ 3er of Kyng Edward the iiiij^th^ John Shypward' than mayr of Bristowe John' Hawkys then Shyref of the same Thomas Yong then Recordour of the seid Town' and William Codur syttyng on the hygh' benche yn the yeld hall' of Bristowe William Bryd and Walter Coston' then Baylyys of the same ther and then syttyng on the lower benche was our Assise called. wher appered John' Sharp yn his proper person' and his apparence ther and then recorded. also Syr Thomas Syward' our parson' of this churche ther and then personally appered syttyng by the commandment of the seid mayr and Recordour by the seid Baylyys. and our mater and title furst ther and then prescrybed and by Rychard Kayton' of counsel and of Fee with the same John' Sharp and by John' Marowe also assigned of counsayl yn the same reuiued and sayd a geyns our title. as for the a forseyd.xxx.s. goyng out 3erly of the Shop annexed to the seid John' Sharp is tenement as the markes and boundes ther of more playnly appereth yn the awarde made vn to vs by the seid mayr and Recordour William Canynges and Roger Kemys by vertue and auctorite of the aforseid dedimus potestatem to them granted etc. And so the title of our prescripcion and the responce a contrary radde by Thomas Oseney town' clerk opynly and wel understonden. was called yn the jurre wher furst appered John' Saynte John' Roaut John' Innyng John' Yong marchaunt John' Crede John' Yong Weuer Rychard Thyngwall' John' Brown' Baker William Wanstre William Water Walter Hendy and Thomas Nycholl'. Thomas Brydde then Baylyyf erond whiche sworn' and the tytle and responce by the Recordour to the seid jurre playnly and opynly radde with al the circumstances yn that part vnderstonden' and ther to requysyte. the same jurre hool went yn to the counsayl hous with the euydences and ther dwelled and abode a tyme and so come out and gaf ther veredycte hool by the mouth of the seid John' Innyng ther to chosen and gaf vs our seid rent of.xxx.s. goyng out 3erly of the forseid Shop with costes and damages etc. as al the proces shal more playnly appere of Record exemplifyed vnder the mayr is seal and so to rest for euer emonges other euydences of our churche etc. And this don' our seid parson and procuratourz at the churche cost dyned the hool jurre our counsayl and others at the seid John' Roaut is hous etc. And of our counsayl was the forseid Roger Kemys declaryng at the Barre our tytle. and so was furst and last etc. And as for the costes and damages al be hyt. hyt ys considered as hyt may be. and hyt had ben'.C.li.ij.or.iiij.li. hyt must hau ben' pardoned accordingly to the Awarde etc.

1 and inserted above the line.
2 An Exemplification of the Record of the Assise survives among the parish records. Bristol Archives Office P/St.E/Dii.
The accomplishes of Thomas Dene and Rychard Bransby procuratourz of this churche of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe fro the lattest day of Marche yn the iiijde 3er of King Edward the iiijth de vn to the xxix day of Marche yn the 3er than next and ymmedyatly suyng that ys to see by on hool 3ere. [f.463–64]

Resceytes of the Rentes
In primis of John' Sharp for rent assise goyng out 3erly of a Shop next to hys hall' hous yn the west syde and next to his Shop whiche John' Brydde Doubletmake
holdeth of hym yn Oldcornstret of Bristowe (in margin Nota) whiche was gyfflen vs by iuggement and al so by xij men as hyt is aforseid etc.
Item of John' Wolfe for our place that he holdeth of vs and dwelleth yn xxxiij.s.iiij.d.
Item of Syr Edmund Hungerford Knyght for rent assise iij.s.
Item of John' Taunenter Gentlyman for rent assise vj.d.
Item of William Bryd Roper rent gederer vn to John' of Merbury for rent assise vj.d.
Item of Thomas Dene forseid for rent assise vj.d.
Item a Jeffrey Gryffyth' for rent assise a diugged to vs as hyt ys a fore spacyfyed
Summa iij.li.xvj.s.iiij.d.

Resceytes on good fryday and Estur day
In primis rescveyued the same iij.dayes viij.s.ij.d.ob.
Summa viij.s.ij.d.ob.

Resceytes of sale of Segys
In primis of John' Sayer for his sege vj.d.
Summa vj.d.

[47]
Resceytes for wax and wax condels
In primis of dyuers of the parysshe at dyuers tymes of the 3er'
Summa xij.d.

Other resceytes as suen
In primis of Henry Chester as executour to Mold Benet wydue iij.s.iiij.d.
Item iij.smal torches.j.peel* of grene sylk.j.bord cloth of twyly of v.verges of lengthe and v.quarters of brede and j.couerchyf of fyne lawne
Item of Thomas Bryd Bayllyf erond of the fees of our assysee forseid xij.d.
Summa iij.s.iiij.d.ij.torches.j.peel.j.bord cloth and j.couerchyf of fyne lawne

* Peel: pillow or cushion.
Resceytes out of our tresur cofur for the sute and accion
that we toke a geyns John' Sharp as for our rent of xxx.s.
as hyt ys here be fore more playlyn declared

In primis at on tyme xxiiiij.s.iiij.d.
Item a nother tyme the purs and al wher yn was xlij.s.vj.d.ob.q.

Summa iiij.li.v.s.ix.d.ob.q.
whiche was expended as foloweth
Summa totalis omnium recepcionum vij.li.xvj.s. iij.d.q.

[f.47v] Paymentz payed by the seid procuratourz as suen
In primis to our Clerk' for scouryng a geyns Estur x.d.
Item for colys at kepyng of the Sepulcre ij.d.
Item for beryng of the crosse on corpus Cristi day ij.d.
Item the costes that same day of the dyner xvij.d.
Item for makyng of the pascal and the font tabre and
the waste xviiij.d.
Item for the coleryng of.ij.surplyces vij.d.
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre viij.d.
Item for wasshyng of the churche cloths xx.d.
Item for lampe oyl thro3 out the 3er' iiij.s.ij.d.
Item for makyng of al the round wax thro3 out the
churche vij.s.ob.
Item for costes of the general mynd iiij.s.ix.d.
Item for beryng of the baners on the procession dayes iiij.d.
Item for condels and bowes a geyns Cristmas ij.d.

Summa xxij.s.ij.d.ob.

Other costes as suen
In primis for reparacion of a chy meny yn John' Wolf
is hous vj.d.
Item for castyng of a parcel of rubbel iiij.d.
Item for j. key that John Nancothan lost iiij.d.

Summa iij.s.iij.d.

[f.48] (in margin Nota) Costes don' to sue the wryt sub pena a
geyns John' Sharp the dedimus potestatem prorogyng of
the same dedimus potestatem and a nwe goten and others
remedyes of the lawe sued for our tytle and right: as for
the Rent Assise of xxx.s. with drawen 3eres and dayes
by the seid John' Sharp as hyt ys be fore remembred etc.
In primis to Roger Kemys our man of lawe at dyuers
dyners and dyuers drynkynges at wyn' to solcyte our
seid sute iiiij.s.j.d.

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2 sued struck through.
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Item for ij. botels malvesye to the seid Roger Kemys
ys wyf
Item to the same Roger Kemys to sue the dedimus
potestatem
Item to William Lewellyn' the same Roger is clerk' our
solicitour
Item to the seid Roger Kemys a nother tyme
Item to Edward Easyng Styward vn to the lady
pryoresse of Myghhel Kyngton' to be with vs of
counsel and to be mene vn to the seid lady to haue
ceretyn euydences declyrung our tytle
Item to the same Edwardis man' for his costes to
bryng the same euydences to Bristowe at our desyre
and prayer
Item for a dyner to the seid Roger Kemys what tyme
he broght down' the first dedimus potestatem
Item for a dyner had to the seid Roger and others the
fryday the morn vppon myghelmas day. a day
lymtyed for the same wryt
Item to the same Roger the day that the dedimus
potestatem was executed
Item to the same Roger for the prorogyng and getyng
of a nwe dedimus potestatem
Item for a potel wyn' to our master Thomas Yong
Item to the seid Roger Kemys for his dyner and his
costes had the morn vppon' Seynt Thomas is day the
Apostol. a day prefixed for hym

[ff.48v] Item payed vn to on Richard Padworth' our
Master Thomas Yong is Clerk' for the wrytyng of the
Indenturs be twen John' Sharp and vs of and vppon'
the award made and passed by our seid Master John
Shypward mayr of Bristowe our seid Masters Thomas
Yong William Canynges and Roger Kemys by vertue
and auctorite of the seid dedimus potestatem to vs
adiugged as for our rent of Assise of xxx.s. a fore
specyfyed xx grotes yn grotes nombred
Item to Thomas Oseney town clerk' for wax to the
same Indenturs
Item to Thomas Bryd bayllyf Erond a fore named for
his fees of our seid assise
Item to the a fornamed Thomas Oseney town' clerk' for
his fees of our seid Assise
Item to the seid John' Sharp accordyng to the seid
awarde

more costes

ob.

ijs.

iiis.

xxix.s.vij.d.
I. Memorandum that the a forenamed parson of this church' and the same procuratourz to sue the Assyse twen vs and the forseyd John' Sharp toke on them thoffyce forseid as for the 3ere next suynge.

Notas Memorandum that Thomas Dene ow't for this 3ere

The accomptes of Syr Thomas Syward'

[f.49] The accomptes of Syr Thomas Syward’ parson of this church of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe Thomas Dene and Rychard Bransby procuratourz of this same churche fro the xxix day of Marche yn the iiij 3er of Kyng Edward’ the iiij the vn to the xxvj day of marche yn the 3er than next suynge. that is to sey. on 3er [1464-65]

Resceytes of the Rentes

In primis of John' Sherp for rent assise goyng out 3erly of a Shop next to his hall' place which' he dwelleth yn to vs by lawe iugged

Item of John' Wolf for our place which' he dwelleth yn xxxij.s.iiiij.d.

Item of sir Edmund Hungerford’ Kny3t for rent assise iiiij.s.

Item of John' Tauerner Gentylman’ for rent assise vj.d.

Item of John’ of Merbury Squyer for rent assise vj.d.

Item of the forseid Thomas Dene for rent assise x.s.

Item of Geoffrey Gryffyth’ for rent assise iij.s.

Item of John' Estmund for rent assise this iij 3ere

Summa iij.li.xxij.d.

Resceytes on good fryday and estur day

In primis resceyued the same.ij.dayes

Summa vj.s.j.d.ob.

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2 ij.d.ob. struck through.
3 xl.s.iiij.d.ob.qs. struck through.
4 ix inserted above the line.
5 ob struck through.
Resceytes for wax condels

In primis for wax condels

Summa vj.d.

[f.49v] Resceytes to the makyng of the church' hey wal as suen
In primis of the forseid Thomas Dene for old tymbre and paal of the seid church' hey
Item of John' Wyne for a parcel of stonys left of the church' wal
Item of John' Aprene for an old cofur without lok and key gyffen yn by William Pryour Forbour for his buryeng yn this church' hey this 3er
Item of dyuers of this paryssh' and of others of the dossen ale gyffen yn by Henry Chester and of the dossen ale gyffen yn by Henry Ball' and of ale bo3t by the seid procuratourz
Item of dyuers of this same paryssh' to the makyng of the seid wall' yn mony
Item of our seid parson' of this church' to the same wal
Item of John' Nancothan of old daunysng mony left yn his doghters handes
Item of daunysng mony our dedycacion day this 3er

Summa xxxix.s.ob.

Other resceytes as suen
In primis of Henry Chester for his Fader is buryeng j couple condelstykkes
Item of John' Wolf for his fader and moder buryeng for wast of torches

Summa viij.d. and j.couple condelstykkes

[f.50] Other resceytes as folowen'
In primis resceyued of John' Waxmaker for lj.li'wax xxij.s.viiij.d.ob.

Summa xxij.s.viiij.d.ob.

Resceytes for saalys of Segys
In primis of William Weye is wyf for hyr sege
Item of John' Gryffythe for his wyf is sege
Item of William Bowyer for j.sege

Summa xvij.d.

Summa totalis omnium receptionum vij.li.xiiij.s.iij.d.ob.

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Paymentes payed by the seid parson and procuratourz as suen
In primis to Rychard Batyn’ Goldsmythe for the amendyng of the best cros of syluer
Item for a caas of tre to the serue and kepe the same best cros
Item for kepyng of the Sepulcre and scourynges and other costes a geyns Estur
Item to the moder churche of Wurcestre
Item for beryng of the baners yn the procession dayes
Item for beryng of the cros on seynt George and corpus Cristi days
Item for costes of the dyner on corpus Cristi day
Item to the waxmaker for the wast of the pascal and makying of the font tabre
Item for di’ ell’ of sylk to the canapye
Item for j. verg’ of blak bokeram’ to lyne the same canapie
Item Rychard Bransby gaf the frenghe ther to
Item Isabel Nancothan’ gaf the makying ther of
Item payed to John’ Sharp
Item payed for wax throgh’ out the churche chaungyng and makying
Item for lampe oyl
Item for washhyng of the churche cloths
Item for bowys and condels a geyns Cristmas
Item for costes of the general mynd
Item for besoms
Item for the coueryng of the Font and for lok and key to the same
Item for blanket to the caas of the best cros
Item for the 3ate of the churche hay
Item for hokys and twystes to the same 3ate
Item for clenying of the churche and chorche 3erd
Item for gemows to the caas of the best cros
Item for skynnys to the same caas

Summa

Costes of the churche hay wall’
In primis for xiiiij ton’ wall’ ston’
Item for Caryeng of the same
Item to John’ Bryd quarre man’ for copyng stonys and caryage fro Dondray‘ vn to Redclyf churche 3erd of Bristowe
Item for Caryeng of the stonys fro Redclyf to our churche

^ wast struck through.
^ Dundry, Som.
Item to William Legat Mason for xj. dayes vij.s.iiij.d.
Item to Brystelton’ Mason for viij. dayes di’ iiij.s.vij.d.ob.
Item to Cornell’ Mason for vj. dayes and di’ iiij.s.vj.d.ob.
Item to a laborer. xj. dayes iiij.s.vij.d.
Item for halyng a way of stonys and rubbel viij.d.
Item for lyme iiij.s.iij.d.ob.
Item for Robert Dasshell’ for paung ston’ yn payment of j. lode xiiij.d.
Item for halyng of paung ston’ gyf by Thomas xij.d.ob.
Hastynge xij.d.
Item for j. dossen ale
Summa xlvj.s.vj.d.

Costes don’ vpon’ and of our assise taken a geyns Sharp
In primis to vij. men of the Inquest to make syght of xl.d.
our ground for ther dyner
Item to the hool Inquest and our counsel the day of our xij.s.iiij.d.ob.
Assise passyng with vs by assent and gaf vs our xxx.s.
rent assise. for ther dyner and costes
Item to Roger Kemys our man of lawe the day of our vj.s.vij.j.d.
assise
Item to Thomas Yong Recordour and to the seid Roger xiiij.d.
Kemys yn wyne and yn fruyt
Item to William Lewellyn the same Roger Kemys ys xx.d.
clerc
Item to Rychard Padworth’ the seid Thomas Yong is xiiij.s.iiiij.d.
clerc for the wrytyng and engrosyng vp of our mater
of Assise
Item to the same Rychard yn wyn’ and fruyt iiij.d.ob.
Item for wax and a boxe to the mayre is seel
Item to Thomas Oseney town clerk yn party of ij.d.ob.
payment of his duete’
Item to Roger Kemys forseid for mony rest due to my
Master Pygot of our counsell
Item for j. couple capons and ij couple chykenes and
wyn’ to the seid Thomas Yong and Roger Kemys
Summa l.s.iiij.d.

[514v] Costes of reparation don’ yn John’ Wolf is hous
In primis for j. mason’ and the mater to hym vij.d.
Summa vij.d.

Summa totalis omnium solucionum viij.li.vj.s.xj.d.ob.

1 Duty.
So accompted to ben accompted and allowed to ben allowed the seid parysshons owen to the seid parson and procuraturz vppon this then present accompte xii.s.vij.d.4 And wher as thes same procuraturz were endetted vn to the seid parysshons of this lattest yer' yn xxix.s.ix.d.qa as yn the fote of the accomptes of that same 3er' more playnly yn this boke showeth neuertheles deducte to be deducted the same procuraturz owen to the seid parson and parysshons xv.s.xj.d.ob.qa of whiche the seid parson' leyd down' v.s.j.d. Item the seid Rychard Bransby leyd down' iiij.s.j.d. And the seid Thomas Dene charged with vij.s.x.d.ob. of whiche vij.s.x.d.ob. the same Thomas shall pay for oyl iiij.s.iiij.d. and as for iiij.s.vij.d.ob. ouer the seid parson and parysshons hath forgyl hym for his diligence and labur had an don' a bout our mater a geyns John' Sharp as hyt is be fore declared. So ther is yn the purs yn the tresur cofur ix.s.iiij.d. and John' Bryd leyd down' for his wyf ys sege viij.d. Summa yn the seid purs clere x.s. and thes accomptes past be fore the seid parson' and parysshons the xxvj day of marche yn the.v.3er of King Edward the iiiijthe [I465]

[f.52] The accomptes of John' Wolf and of Thomas George procuraturz of this church' of Seynt Ewens of Bristowe as for di' 3er' which' Thomas George departed to London' and dyscharged hym of his seid office and William Sampson' was chosen yn his stede and accompten fro the.xxvj.day of Marche yn the.v.3er of King Edward the iiiijthe vn to the xix day of Marche yn the3 3er than next suyng [I465-66]

Resceytes of Rentes3
In primis of John' Sharp for rent assise of his place xxx.s.
Item of John' Wolf forseyd for our place xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Item of Syr Edmund Hungerford' Knyght for rent assise
Item of John' Tauerner Gentleman' for rent assise
Item of John' of Merbury Squyer for rent assise
Item of John' Gryffyth' Tayllour for rent assise
Item of Geoffrey Gryffyth' for rent assise
Item of John Estmund for rent assise

Summa iij.li.xix.s.x.d.

1 The difference between the receipts and the payments is 13s. 9d.
2 xix day of Marche yn struck through.
3 From this date 'Receipts of Rents' with few exceptions shows the nominal rent roll only. Receipt of arrears is usually entered elsewhere in the Accounts and unpaid rents are noted under 'Allowances'. The information given under 'Receipts of Rents' therefore may vary little or not at all from year to year and, after this year, this section is not normally transcribed in full but only those items which indicate a transfer of tenancy, variation in rent, etc. and the sum total of the rent roll. Minor variations of spelling or phrasing are not noted. The whole section is transcribed if several changes take place in one year or other information demands it.

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Resceytes on good Fryday and Estur day
In primis the same.ij.dayes v.s.viiJ.d.ob.

Summa v.s.viiJ.d.ob.

[f.52v] Resceytes as suen for Segys
In primis of on William Povy Taverner and Mold hys wyf for ther segys which' dwellen yn the Shop of the
hold of the lady pryoresse of Myghhell' Kynngton' next
to John' Sharp is hous yn the west part of the same
Item of Phelyp Jones Tayllour for his sege. hys wyf and
hyr moder is seges
Item of Rychard Kere Goldsmyth' for hys sege and
hys wyf ys
Item of Walter Sergeant for hys wyf is sege
Item of Rychard Stacy Tayllour for hys wyf is sege
Summa iij.s.ij.d.

Resceytes as folowen'
In primis of Agnes Nancothan' for hyr bequest to the
churche
Item of Thomas Dene Master of the craft for costes of
reparacion of the gutter partable be twen vs and the
fraternitye of syent John' Baptyst
Item of dyuers for church' condels
Item of the Brygon' maker
Item of Rychard Batyn' to the costes of the clansyng of
the gout be twen hym and John' Wolf forseyd
Summa xij.s.iiJ.d.

Summa total of the Resceytes v.li.xj.d.ob.

[f.53] Paymentes payed by the same procuraturez as suen
In primis for costes on good fryday and estur eve to
the clerk'
Item to the moder church' of Wurcestre
Item to the waxmaker for the pascal font tabre and
other lyghtes this 3er'
Item for beryng of the banres
Item for lampe eyl and besoms
Item for wasshyng' of the church' cloths
Item for the amendyng of the best condelstykks
Item for costes on Corpus Cristi day
Item for costes of the general mynd
Item to Thomas Oseney Townclerk for the engrosyng
vp of our euydences and enrolyng of the same:

1 Richard Kere paid for seats for himself and his wife in the Account for
1467-68.
2 The rolls of Guildhall have not survived.
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Item to John’ Sharp for di’ 3er’ rent which’ deyed the vj day of Jully yn this present 3er’ xiiiij.s.iiiij.d.
Item to Elizabeth hys wyf at the rescetyt of.xv.s as for my3elmas and Crystmas yn this present 3er’ at ayther terme.viiij.d. of our gentlenes

Summa xlv.s.v.d.ob.

Costam don’ yn John’ Wolf is hous

In primis for iij bordys to a doore iiij.d.
Item for ij.studden j.d.
Item for leggys j.d.
Item for j.lacche and j.ryng iij.d.
Item for ij bordys to the repayrnyng of the loft iij.d.ob.
Item for naylys v.d.
Item for the amendyng of a Chymeney iij.d.
Item to a Carpynter.iiiij.dayes and di’ xx.d.

Summa iij.s.j.d.ob.

[f.53v] Costas don’ on reparacion of the partable gutter be twen vs and the fraternyte of seynt John’ Baptist within our church’ founded

In primis for j.gutter of tre of xxyxvj fote every fote j.d.ob.

Item for pycche and talowe to the same summa iiiij.s.vj.d.
Item for j.pipe of lede pond’ xlj li’ prece iij.s.v.d.
Item for j.plate of lede pond’ xxj li’ prece xvj.d.
Item for soudour and the hond x.d.
Item for Ire to the seid gutter pond’ xlii’ li’ and di’ every li’ j.d.

summa iij.s.v.d.ob.
Item for naylys bordes and latthes to the same vj.d.
Item to j.carpynter and hys man’ j.day xj.d.
Item for ij.semys of tyle stony s vj.d.
Item to j.tyler ix.d.
Item for halyng of the seid gutter and for the seid lede and for wodde j.d.ob.
Item for ij.quarters lyme v.d.
Item to j.mason’ and j.laborer ix.d.ob.
Item for iij.crestes iij.d.ob.

Summa xvijj.s.iiij.d.

Summa total of the payments iiij.li.xvijj.d.ob.

nota Memorandum quod restat in bursa in auro nouo et vetere xx.s.ij.d. in argento vero xxvj.s.iiij.d.ob.qa.
Summa total xlv.s.v.d.ob.qa.
[f.54] So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid procuratourz owen vn to the seyd parson’ and parysshons xxxv.s.v.d.ob.q. which’ they ley down’ at this ther present accompt and so gon qwyte out ther seid offyces

Memorandum that Pyers Grenfeld’ ow† this 3er iiij.s. which the nwe procuratourz shal rescuyue of hym and so hau don’

Memorandum that John’ Sharp deceased ye vj day of Juyl yn the 3er of our lord M’ iiiij.lx and v. and yn the v.3er of Kyng Edward’ the iiijthe and at my3elmas than next suyng Elizabeth Sharp hys wyf payed to the seid procuratourz as tenaunt vij.s.vj.d. and so quarterly and 3erly and for euermore accordyng to the forseyd award etc.

[f.54v] The accomptes of John’ Brydde and John’ Gryffyth’ procuratourz of this paryssh’ church’ of Seynt Ewens of Brystowe and accompten fro the xix day of Marche yn the v.3ere of Kyng Edward the iiijthe vn to the xxvij day of February yn the 3er next suyng [1466–67]

Resceytes of Rentes
In primis of Elizabeth Sharp wyf late of John Sharp for rent assise xxx.s.
[in place of John Sharp. Other items as in 1465–66]
   Summa iiij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Resceytes on good Fryday and Estur day
In primis the same.ij.dayes
   Summa ix.s.

[f.55] Resceytes of saal of Segys and others
In primis of Robert Blower Goldsmith’ for hys Sege and hys wyf ys xvj.d.
Item of dyuers of the paryssh’ for wax condels vj.d.
Item of Rychard Batyn’ Goldsmith’ for.j.parcel of stonys iiij.d.
   Summa ij.s.ij.d.

Resceytes to the makyng of the Insensour of syluer of saal of Alys gyf yn as suen
In primis of Johan Englund and Alyce Gryffyth’ clere xxv.s.
Item of Johan Taylour and Margaret Wolf clere xx.s.
Item of Mold Core and Elyn Wyndryk clere xxv.s.ij.d.ob.
Item of the same Mold and Elyn’ di’ vnce and di’ quarter of broke syluer prece xxj.d.q*.

† ij.d. struck through.
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Item of Mold Kere and Johan Stacy clere  xiiij.s.
Item of John' Nancothan' yn mony     xij.d.
Item of Thomas Phelyp Barbour         iiiij.d.
Item of Robert Hynde for the wefare of his wyf ys
   moder                          iiiij.d.

Summa     iiiij.li.vj.s.vij.d.ob.q*.

Other resceytes to the same Insensour as suen
In primis of Rychard Batyn' Goldsmith'        ij vnces syluer
Item of Robert Hynde Goldsmith'             j vnce syluer
Item of Alice Bransby.j.ryng of syluer prece     v.d.ob.
Summa                                    iij vnces broke syluer and v.d.ob.

[f.55v] Resceytes to the pauyng of the church' hey
In primis of John' Nancothan'     xij.d.
Item of Robert Core                vj.d.ob.
Item of the lymebrunner             iij.d.
Summa                                 xx.d.ob.

Summa totalis omnium receptcionum
viij.li.xix.s.iiij.d.q*  iij vnces
syluer and v.d.ob. for the seyd ryng

[f.56] Paymentes payed by the seyd procuratourz as suen
In primis for the pascal and font tabre  xix.d.ob.
Item for kepyng of the sepulcre            iiiij.d.
Item for beryng of the baners              iij.d.
Item for.j.vrthen potte                    ob.
Item to the moder church'                 vj.d.
Item for beryng of the cros on corpus Cristi day and
   costes the same day                    xv.d.
Item to the parson'                      xvij.d.
Item to Thomas Oseney town' cler for the wrytyng of
   the awarde vnder the mayr is sele be twen vs and
   Geoffre Gryffyth'                      iij.s.vij.d.
Item for.j.cofer to the torches with lok' and key
   iij.s.vij.d.
Item for.ii.j.lockys and ij peyr gemous to the vtter
   entre cloce                         xiiij.d.
Item for.j.li' condels                   j.d.
Item for wasshyng of the church' cloths    xix.d.
Item for.j.lampe and lampe oyl            vj.d.ob.
Item to the clerk for scourying a geyns Crystmas
   iiij.d.
Item to a plomer for soudyng and soudour of the
   church' gutter                      v.d.
Item for makyng of wax this 3ere          iij.s.ix.d.
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Item for costes of the general mynd                                          iij.s.vij.d.
Item for j.frogge lokke to the post at the dore towardes                        i.j.d.
Authorized                                                                 xxij.s.j.d.ob.

Paymentes to the Incensour made of syluer                                    
In primis payed for xxx vnces broke syluer prece the vnce iij.s.x.d.         Summa iiij.li.xv.s,1
Item for gyldyng and makyng of the same                                      xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Summa v.li.iiij.s.iiij.d.

[f.56v] Costes of the pauyng of the church' hey                                
In primis for iij lode pauyng ston'                                          vij.s.vij.d.
Item to j.mason' xij.dayes and di'                                           v.s.vij.d.ob.
Item to j.mason' xij.dayes and di'                                           v.s.ij.d.ob.
Item to j.laborer' j.day and di'                                            v.j.d.ob.
Item for ij.wey lyme                                                        i.j.s.vij.d.
Item for caryeng a wey of the rubbel                                        x.d.
Summa xxiiij.s.iiij.d.ob.

Other allowances as folowen                                                 
In primis at the rescuyt of xxx.s. Elizabeth Sharp was                       
allowed by the aggreement of the parson and parysshons and of ther gentlenes iij.s.viiij.d.
Item at the rescuyt of x.s. Geoffrey Gryffyth' was                            iij.d.
allowed of                                                                  
Item at the rescuyt of xxxiiij.s.iiij.d. John' Wolf was                       iij.d.
allowed of                                                                 
Summa iij.s.iiij.d.

Summa totalis omnium solucionum                                              vij.li.xvij.s.

Memorandum that Pyers Grenfeld ow4 for this 3er'                             iiij.s.
Item John' Estmund                                                          xij.d.

[f.57] So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid procuratourz owen to the parson and parysshons vpon' this ther present accompt xxij.s.iiij.d.q.a which they leyn down' and so gon out of ther offices

Memorandum that ther ys yn the purs of the churche store                   
iiij.li.v.s.vij.d.ob.q.a

Memorandum that yn this 3er the Incensour of syluer forseyd was              
made and ther for payed compleat                                          

1 30 ozs. at 2s. 10d. per oz. amounts to £4 5s. od.
2 This sum takes no account of the unpaid rents.
[f.57v] The accomptes of Phelyp Jonys and Rychard’ Kere procuratoruz of this paryssh' church’ of Seynt Oweyn ys of Bristowe and accompten’ fro the xxvij day of February In the.viij.3ere of Kyng Edward’ the iiiijthe vn to the xxiiij day of Marche yn the 3er than next suyng [1467–68]

Resceytes of Rentes

[as in 1466–67]

Summa iij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Resceytes on good fryday and Estur day

In primis the same.ij.dayes’ vij.s.vij.d.ob.

Summa vij.s.vij.d.ob.

[f.58] Resceytes of saales of Segys and others

In primis of Dauid Lewys for hys sege and hys wyf ys xij.d.
Item of Rychard Kere for hys sege and hys wyf ys xij.d.
Item of John’ Perkyns for his sege viij.d.
Item of dyuers of the parysshons for wax condels xij.d.
Item of Pyers Grenfeld of the rest’ of latest 3ere next be fore this iiiij.s.

Summa vij.s.viij.d.

Resceytes to the tylyng of the church’ Rof

In primis of Robert Core xx.d.

Summa xx.d.

Resceytes of daunseyng mony

In primis of Margaret Nancothan’ xx.d.
Item of William Tayllour xj.d.
Item of Margaret Wolf xv.d.
Item of Laurence Wolf xiiij.d.

Summa iiij.s.xj.d.

In primis iij.li.v.s.vij.d.ob.qa.

Summa iij.li.v.s.vij.d.ob.qa.


[f.59] Paymentes payed by the seyd procuratourz as suen’

Tylyng of the Church’ Rof’

In primis for.v.M’ lathe’ nayl vij.s.viij.d.
Item for Calfotnayl iiiij.d.

¹ Sic for rent.
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Item for bordnayl v.d.
Item for hachnayl xxj.d.
Item for taknayl ix.d.
Item for latthys vij.s.vj.d.
Item for halynyng of the same iij.d.
Item for tyle stonyng xxxv.j.s.
Item for ij.peces of tymbre xvij.d.
Item for halynyng of pollys and tymbre vj.d.
Item for makyng of the Scaffold’ Sklakbys¹ and sawynyng to the Carpynters iiij.s.
Item for cordys ij.d.
Item for Evys bord’ iij.s.vj.d.
Item for xxxix walssh bordes iij.s.vj.d.
Item for j.borde to the steple v.d.
Item to a carpenter x.d.
Item to a mason vj.d.
Item to a laborer v.d.
Item for halynyng of rubbel ij.s.j.d.
Item for fyllynyng of rubbel and quynchynge² of stonys to a laborer x.d.ob.
Item for caryeng of pollys and flakes iij.d.
Item for makyng clene of the church’ iij.d.
Item for crestes and lyme xx.d.
Item for zond j.d.
Item for j.shoul j.d.
Item for besoms j.d.

[f.59v] Item for soudynyng of the gutter xij.d.
Item for tyle pynnys iij.s.
Item for mose xix.d.
Item to i.j.tylers.ij. wokys xiiij.s.
Item to Robert Tyler and hys men and laborers for the hond iij wokes xxxv.s.v.d.
Item for the amendyng of the glas wyndows iij.s.
Item for lampe oyl xvj.d.ob.

Summa vj.li.ix.s.viiij.d.

Other costes as suen

In primis for the amendyng of a key j.d.
Item for talowe condels iiiij.d.
Item for scouryng iiiij.d.
Item for costes of the general mynd iij.s.ix.d.
Item for j.potte ob.
Item for the summonyng of Davuids’ furbour for the daunsyng mony ij.d.

¹ Sklakbys, possibly an error for sklabbys meaning planks.
² Quynchynge: quenching meaning crushing or breaking up.
³ Dd in the MS.
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Item for wasshyng of the church' cloths xvj.d.
Item for the pascal font tabre and makynyng and wast xviiij.d.
Item for kepyng of the Sepulcre x.d.
Item to the moder church' of Wurcestre vj.d.
Item for the amendyng of ij.surplyses and settyng on of a peyr of vestymentes ij.d.
Item for the beryng of a baner j.d.
Item for the beryng of the cros j.d.
Item for costes on Corpus Cristi day xviiij.d.
Item for wax and makynyng of wax viij.s.viiij.d.

Summa xix.s.v.d.ob.

[f.60]

Allowances as suen
In primis ther was allowed vn to Elizabeth Sharp yn maner and fourme be for reherced ij.s.viiij.d.
Item to Geoffrey Gryffyth' as hyt ys a forseid iiiij.d.
Item to John' Wolf as hyt ys be for specyfyed ij.d.

Summa totalis omnium solucionum viij.li.xij.s.ijj.d.ob.

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid procuratourz Owen to the parson and parysshons forseid vppon' this ther present accompt xv.s.j.d.ob.q⁰.¹ which' thei leyn down' and so gon quyte out of ther offices.

Vnde Pyers Grenfeld dʒ iiiij.s.
Item John' Estmund for this 3er² v.s. forseyd of the seid accompt deducted xij.d.
rest x.s.j.d.ob.q⁰. in claro in bursa

[f.60v] The accomptes of Rychard Batyn' and Robert Core procuratourz of this paryssh' of Seynt Owen' is church' of Bristowe and accompten' fro the xxiiij day of Marche yn the viij 3ere of Kyng Edward the iiiijthē vn to the xxj day of March' yn the 3er than next suyng [1468-69]

Resceytes of Rentes

Summa iij.li.xij.s.x.d.

Resceytes on good Fryday and Estur Day
In primis the same.ij.dayes ix.s.ijj.d.

Summa ix.s.ijj.d.

¹ Sic. The difference between receipts and payments is 15s. o[d.
² This line struck through and a cross placed against it in the margin. The debt was carried forward to the next year's accounts.
Other resceytes as suen
In primis of John Estmund of that he was behynd of his rent yn tyme of John' Bryd and John' Gryffyth' late procuratours of this paryssh' xij.d.
Item of John' Forster marchant at hys goyng to the See iiiij.d.
Item of William Maunger of Marleburgh' iiiij.d.
Item of dyuers of this paryssh' for wax condels viij.d. and iij.d.
Item of Rychard Batyn'* for naylys ix.d.
Item of Rychard Kere for x.li' of lede vij.d.ob.

Summa iiij.s.x.d.ob.

Resceytes of Saalys of Seges as suen
In primis of John' Bryd for his sege vj.d.
Item of John' Gryffythe for his sege vj.d.
Item of John' Dodyng for his sege and his wyf ys xij.d.
Item of Thomas Graylok' for Alice his wife ys sege vj.d.

Summa ijs.3

Other resceytes as folowen
In primis of Pyers Grenfeld' of that he was behynd yn Phelyp Jonys and Rychard Kere is dayes late procuratours of this churche' iiiij.s.

Summa iiiij.s.

Payments payed by the seyd procuratourz
In primis for kepyng of the Sepulcre vj.d.
Item to the moder church' of Wurcestre vj.d.
Item for caryeng away of the dust iiiij.d.ob.
Item for reparyng of a sege yn the church' iiiij.d.ob.
Item for the stok and for the lok.ij.keyes and.j.plate to the church' dores ijs.ix.d.
Item for.j.spone of syluer xvij.d.
Item for wasshyng of the best sute. the.iii.ijde aubys and amyses.ij.veyllys and the surplyses and other auter cloths and towels xx.d.
Item for scouryng a geyns Cristmas and Estur viij.d.
Item for talowe condels and bowes ageyns cristmas v.d.ob.
Item for beryng of the baners iij.d.

1 In the year 1466–67.
2 Batyn inserted above the line.
3 The items total 2s. 6d.
4 In the year 1467–68.
5 The individual totals above add up to £4 18s. 10½d.
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Item for costes on corpus Cristi day xviij.d.
Item for beryng of the cros that same day ij.d.
Item for the pascal the font tabre and the lyghtes a
boue and be nethe nwe made xiiijs.vijd.
Item for lampe oyl ij.s.vijd.
Item for the eschaung of ij.cruettes v.d.
Item for j.dossen and v.quayers of velom' to perfourme
the legend
Item for wrytyng of the same x.s.vijd.
Item for the costes of the general mynd xxv.s.
Item for iij.skynnyes and j.quayer of velom' to the
same legend iij.s.ix.d.
Item for wrytyng of the forseyd legend v.s.vijd.

Summa iij.li.xvj.s.ix.d.1

[f.62v] Costes of reparacions don' yn John' Wolf is hous
In primis for iij.quarters lyme v.d.
Item for iij.bordes with clampys xvj.d.
Item for bord nayl lath' nayl and hacch' nayl v.d.ob.
Item for here ob.
Item for j.tyler iij dayes

Summa iij.s.vijd.

Allowances as suen
In primis to Elizabeth Sharp yn maner and fourme be
fore rehersed iij.s.viiijd.
Item to Geoffrey Gryffyth' in maner a fore rehersed iij.d.
Item to John' Wolf yn maner be fore rehersed iij.d.
Item to John' Wolf yn maner be fore rehersed iij.d.

Summa iij.s.iij.d.

Summa totalis omnium solucionum et allocacionum
iiij.li.iij.s.xd.
Item for j tyler iij dayes xvj.d.3
Vnde the forseyd Pyers owt for di' 3ere rent this 3ere
Item John' Estmond for this 3er and for the 3er' next
be fore this past iij.s.4

Summa iij.s.

Summa of the seid iij.s. deducted rest
viij.s.vijd.ob and vltra xij.d. Summa ixs.vijd.ob.

1 This should read iij.li.xvj.s.xj.d. and is so calculated in the total of
payments and allowances.
3 This line written in a different hand.
4 This item struck through and a cross placed against it in the margin. The
debt was carried forward to the next year's accounts.

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[f.63] So accompted to ben accompted and allowed to ben allowed the seyd procuratourz owen to the forseyd parson' and parysshons vppon this ther present accompt ix.s.vij.d.ob. whiche thei leyn down' and so dyscharged of ther offices

[f.63v] The Accomptes of John’ Byrde and John’ Dowdyng Procuratourz of this Paryssh' of Seynt Owen’ ys Churche of Bristow and accompten’ fro the xxj day of Marche yn the ix yere of Kyng Edward the iiiijthe vy to the vith day of Auerell’ in the yere than next suyn [1469-70]

Resceytes of Rentes

[as in 1466-67]

Summa iiij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Resceytes on’ goode Fryday and Ester day

In primis the same ij days

Summa vij.s.v.d.ob.

Other resseytes as suen

In primis of dyuers of this paryssh for wax condels viij.d.
Item for the barnyng to the lampe viij.d.

Summa xv.d.

[f.64]

Resceytes of Sales of Seges as suen

In primis of Stephyn Sherman’ for his sege and his wif ys sege xvj.d.
Item for William Sere ys wif ys sege vj.d.
Item of Maister Cannynge the yonger to the lamp j.d.

Summa totalis omnium recepcionum iiiij.li.x.s.v.d.ob.

Summa xxij.d.

Paymentes payed by the seid procuratourz

Item for kepyng of the Sepulcre vj.d.
Item to the Moder Churche of Worcestre vj.d.
Item for Caryeng a way of the dust iiij.d.
Item for the Clenyng of the Churche ij.d.
Item for the Costes ayenst Morgan’ and Kere at dyuers tymys x.d.
Item for beryng of the baners ij.d.
Item for the Pascal and font tapre xxij.d.
Item for Costes on’ Corpus Cristi day xij.d.
Item for beryng of the Cros that same day ij.d.
Item for Maister Parson’ ys Syrplys for ‘vij ellys of Holland Cloth’ price the ell ix.d. and for the makyng of the seid syrplys ij.s.

Summa vij.s.

The order of entry of the total received for sale of seges, etc. and of the total of all the receipts is reversed.

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Also for the Clerke is syrplys for the Clothe and for the
makyng of the seid syrplys  
Item for the bawdry of the litell' bell'  
Item for mendyng of the boll' of the Claper  
Item for Plastryling of the Vestrey  
Item for wax and makyng of the wax  
Item for besoms and panyer  
Item for the basket for holy bred  
[f.64v.] Item for ij bryggys for the lamp  
Item for Oyle  
Item talow Candels and holmyn bowes a geyns
Crystysmas  
Item for Scowryng of basons and Candelstyclys and
the sterre  
Item for Costes of the Generall' mynd  
Item on' a poley' for the sterre  
Item for wasshyng of the Churche Clothys and for the
syrplys of the seid Churche

Summa xxxij.s.xj.d.ob.

Costys of reparacions don' yn John' Wolf ys hows
Item for mendyng of a Chymney  
Item for makyng of the Goute in the Chirchyard

Summa xviiij.d.¹

Allowances as suen
Item in primis to Elizabeth Sharp in maner and fourne
be fore reheresd  
Item to Geoffrey Gryffyth' in maner a fore reheresd  
Item to John' Wolf in maner a fore reheresd

Summa iij.s.vij.d.

Summa totalis omnium solucionum et allocacionum³
xxxviiiij.s.xj.d.ob.

[f.65] Vnde the forseid Elizabeth Sharp ow¹ for a
quarter rent this yere  
Item John' Estmund for this yere and for ij yere next
be fore passed

Summa x.s.vj.d.

¹ Pulley.
² The next line, Summa totalis omnium solucionum et allocacionum
xxxviiiij.s.xj.d.ob., struck through.
³ The sum given is the total of the payments without the allowances.
⁴ This item struck through and a cross placed against it in the margin. The
debt was carried forward to the next year's accounts.
[f.65v] The accomptis of Robert Blower and David Lews procuratours of this church of Seint Ewen of Bristow maad fro the vth Daye of Aprile In the xlix yere fro the begynnynge of the regn' of Kyng' Henry the vjth.

[f.66] The accomptes of Robert Blower and Dauid Lews procuratours of the parish' church' of Seint Ewen' of Bristow maad fro the vth Daye of Aprile In the xth yere of the regne of Kyng Edwarde the iiijth vnto the first Daye of Aprile in the xlix yere fro the begynnyng of the regne of Kyng Henry the vjth and of the readepcion' of his royal' power the first yere That is to saye bi oon yere [1470—71].

The receiptis of the rent
First Receyued of Elizabeth' Sherp by yere xxx.s.
Also Receyued of the same Elizabeth' for arrerag xij.s.
Also of Geffray Griffith' for rent of assise by yere x.s.
Also of John' Wolf by yere xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Also of Sir Edmund Hungreford rent of assise bi yere iij.s.
Also of John' Taverner for rent of assise bi yere vj.d.
Also of John' Merbury for rent of assise bi yere vj.d.
Also of the prior of Maydenbradlegh' for rent of assise bi yere vj.d.
Also of John' Estmond for rent of assise bi yere xij.d.
Also Receyued of Piers Grenefield bi the handis of Richard Batyn' for rent of assise that was in arrerag ij.s.

Receptis on good fryday and Ester daye
Also receyued the same ij Dayes ix.s.

Summa ix.s.

[f.66v] Other Receiptis
In primis receyued of the yift of John' Nancothan vj.s.vijj.d.
Also receyued for the birying of John' Aleyn' vj.s.
Also receyued for wax candell' in the Rodelofte vj.d.
Also receyued for the burying of Dauid Lews wif iij.s.iiij.d.

Summa xv.j.s.vj.d.

Receptis of Syges
In primis of Thomas Edwarde for his wifes Sige vj.d.
Also of Thomas Ap Howell' for his Sige and his wifes xvj.d.

Summa xxij.d.

Summa totalis Recepcionis v.li.xv.j.s.vijj.d.

1 of struck through.
2 A mistake having been made in this entry it was left unfinished and the heading of the year's accounts begun again on the next page.
Paymentes and expens’
In primis for the keping of the Sepulcre x.d.
Also for a red Skynne to keuer the legent v.d.
Also to the moder church’ of Worcestre vj.d.
Also to the Raker iiij.d.
Also for the binding and correcting of the seid Boke v.s.
Also for the font taper and the pascall’ xxj.d.
Also for the amending of ij Surplis vj.d.
Also for costes on Corpus Cristi Daye ij.s.
Also for the bering of the Baners iiij.d.
Also for the exchaunge and makyng newe of the rode
Light iiij.s.ix.d.
(at foot of the page Rec’ of the parson for the lamp)
iiij.s.)
Also for the Lymmynge of the Seid Legent xiiij.s.vj.d.
Also for the Clensyng of the Same Boke xij.d.
Also for a cheyn to a prymer of the yfte of Robert Core viij.d.
Also for a Dexte to the same Boke iiij.d.
Also for talow Candell’ at Cristmasse iiij.d.
Also for wasshing of the church’ clothes bi the yre xvj.d.
Also for scouryng of the basons Candelstickes and the
Ster’ v.d.
Also for holmyn bowes j.d.
Also for costages of the general mynde v.s.
Also paide for oure lady light iij.s.j.d.ob.
Also for Seint Kateryn’ light xxiiij.d.
Also for Oyle vj.s.

Summa xlviii.s.ob.

Allowance
First to Maistres Sharp’ iij.s.viiij.d.
Also allowed to the same in a quarter Rent of arrerage viij.d.
Also to Geoffrey Griffeth’ iiij.d.
Also of oon’ yere rent of assise vnpaide of John’ Edmond xij.d.3
Also of oon yere rent of Mayden bradleigh’ vj.d.
Also allowed vnto John’ Wold’ of his yeres rent iiij.d.

Summa v.s.vj.d.

Also John’ Estmond is behynd of iiij yere rent of
assise6

1 iiij struck through and oon written above.
2 Presumably John Estmond.
3 iiij.s. struck through and xij.d. written alongside.
4 Presumably John Wolf.
5 is behynd of inserted above the line.
6 This line struck through and a cross and Sol written against it in the margin.

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Yiftes
In primis a signe of Siluer of the yifte of Robert Core
Notary weying di' vnce and di' quarter to thentent to
take a Ship for Sence prece xxij.d.
Also a claps of Siluer of the yifte of the seid Robert
weying a quarter of an vnce
Also a jacke of the yfet of the seid Robert
Summa omnium solucionum et allocacionum iij.li.iiij.s.j.d.ob.
So there Remayneth' in the purs vj.li.ij.s.iiij.d.ob.qa.

The Accomptis of John' Wolf and John' Perkyns Proctours of
the parish' church' of Seynt Ewen of Bristow maad fro the first daye
of April In the xlix yere of the regn of Kyng Herry the vije fro his
begynnyng vnto the xviiij daye of March' The xijth yere of the regne
of oure liege lorde Kyng Edward the iiiijth. That is to Saye by oon
yere. [1471-72]

The receytes of the Rente
First receyued of Elizabeth' Sherpe bi yere xxx.s.
Also receyued of Jeffrey Griffeth for rent of assise bi yere x.s.
Also of Sir Edmund Hungerford knyght for rent of
assise bi yere xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Also of Sir Edmund Hungerford knyght for rent of
assise bi yere iiiij.s.
Also of John' Taverner for rent of assise bi yere vj.d.
Also of John' Merbury for rent of assise by yere vj.d.
Also of the Pryour of Mayden bradlegh' for rent of
assise bi yere vj.d.
Also of John' Estmond for rent of assise bi yere xij.d.
Summa iij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Receytes on good fryday and Esterdaye
Also receyued the same ij dayes vj.s.ij.d.3
Summa vj.s.ij.d.3

Other Receytes
In primis of John' Estmond of that he was behynde
of his rent in the tyme of Robert Blower and Davud
Lewes then proctours iiijs.
Also for a jak' of the yifte of Robert Core
Also a grene couerlete of the yifte of Mawde Core that
was wond to be sette aboute the Sepulcre
Also for the hire of the best crosse ij.d.

¹ The sum stated is the difference between the receipts and the payments
and allowances.
² ob struck through.
³ In the year 1470-71.
Also for wax Candellys viij.d.
Also for David Lewes brying xvij.s.x.d.

(at foot of page in left margin iii.j.li.xij.s.x.d.ob.)

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Summa: xliij.s.vij.d.6
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[f.69v] Allowances as seen
In primis to Elizabeth’ Sherp’ ij.s.viiiij.d.
Also to Geoffrey Gryffeth’ iiiij.d.
Also John’ Wolf iiiij.d.
Also the same John’ Wolf asketh allowaunce for John’ xij.d.
Estmond
Also the seid’ John’ Wolf asketh allowaunce for John’
Nerbury’ vj.d.
Summa iiiij.s.x.d.

So all’ thynges accompted to be accompted and allowed the seid procuratours owen to the seid parsone and parisshons vpon this present accompte lvij.s.ij.d. which they leyen adown’ and so discharged of their office

So ther’ remayneth’ in the purce viij.li.xvijij.s.x.d.

[f.70] The accomptis of Richard Browne and Thomas Edward proctours of the Paryssh’ Churche of Seynt Ewen of Bristow and accompten fro the xvij daye of Marche The xijth yere of the regne of Kyng Edwarde the iiiijth vnto the xxiiiijth of Marche the xiiij yere of oure seid souereigne lord Kyng Edwarde: [1472–73]

The Receytis of Rentis:
Item of John’ Gryffith’ Taillour for Rent assise vj.d.
[In place of the Prior of Maiden Bradley. Other items as in 1471–72]
Summa iiij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Receytis on’ goode Fridaye and Ester Daye
In primis the same ij dayes viij.s.
Summa viij.s.

Other Receytis as suen’
In primis of dyuers of this parysche for waxcandels viij.d.
Summa viij.d.

[f.70v] The Receytis of Sales of Seges as suen’
In primis receuyed of William Germyn’ for his Sege and his wif is sege xij.d.
Item receuyed for a Sege of John’ Dee is wiff vj.d.
Item receuyed of Richard Kere for a Sege vj.d.
Summa ij.s.

1 Presumably John Merbury.
2 Next line, Also receuyed for the burying of, struck through.
3 v struck through.

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OTHER RECEITYS AS Suen
In primis of Maister Person' for lampe Oyle
Item of William Germyn' for the Cros
Item of William Germyn' for the Cros
Summa

OTHER RECEITYS AS FOLLOWEN
Item Receyued of John' Griffith' taillour for Rent of
that he was be hynde in John' Wolff and John' Perkyns is days1
Item of John' Merbury Squyer for Rent of that he was
be hynde in John' Wolff and John' Perkyns is days1
Item r' of John Estmunde of that he was be hynd
in John' Wolff and John Perkyns daies1
Summa totalis omnium recepcionum2

[71]
Paymentis payed by the seid Proctours
In primis for the kepyng of the Sepulcre
Item for a pott of wyne
Item to the Raker
Item for beryng of the baners
Item for makyng of the Rent Rolle
Item for beryng of the Crosse on Corpus Cristi daye
Item for Costis of the generalle mynde
Item for the Pascall' and the Fantapre
Item to the Moder Churche of Worcetre
Item for besemys
Item for Tukkyng Gurdellis
Item for wyne to the Collectours of the kynges syluer
Item to John' waxmaker for wax
Item for wesshyng of the Churche Clothis
Item for makyng of our accompt
Item for the lampe oyle
Item for the Costis of the dyner on Corpus Cristi daye
Item for the newe vestementes
Summa [blank]

COSTIS
In primis for Sowdyng of a Gutter that is partabill' by
twixt Seynt Johnis and vs
Summa
Summa totalis

1 In the year 1471-72.
2 totalis omnium recepcionum written above ijs struck through.
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[371v] Allowances as sewen'
In primis to Elizabeth’ Sharpe in maner and forme be fore rehersed iij.s.vij.d.
Item to John’ Wolf in maner a fore rehersed iiij.d.
Item paiied and allowid to Geffrey Gryffith’ in his Rent iiij.d.
Item to Stephyn’ Martyn’ j.d.
Summa iij.s.v.d.

Other allowances as sewen’
In primis to Elizabeth’ Sharpe’ for the kyng is Siluer iij.s.
Summa iij.s.

Summa of alle the paymentis and allowances l.s.vj.d.

So all thyngis accompted to ben’ accompted and allowed to ben’ allowed the seid Proctours owen to the seid Parsone and Paryshsons vpon’ this present accompte xlvj.s.vij.d. the whiche they leyen’ a downe. and so Discharged of their office

So ther Remayneth’ in the Purce xlvj.s.x.d.
with a Spone of Syluer a signe of syluer and a Claspe of syluer and Gylt

[f.72] Here folowen’ Costys don vpon’ the blak vestementis by Maister Parson’ and Richard Browne and Thomas Edward the forsaid Proctours in ther daies:
In primis for worsted to the seid blak vestementes xxvij.s.vij.d.
Item for the Orfeys of the seid vestementes xxxiiij.s.iiij.d.
Item for bokeram to the same vestmentes ix.s.iiij.d.
Item for Sterrys to the same vestmentes xxiiiij.s.vij.d.
Item for Rebond and frange to the same vestmentes vj.s.vij.d.
Item for lynnyn’ Clothe to the same vestmentes viij.s.3
Item for the blessyng of the seid vestmentes xij.d.
Item to Geffray vestmentmaker for his labours his hondy werke don’ vpon’ the seid vestmentes x.s.
Summa vj.li.vj.d.

Yyftes of dyuers of this paryssh’ to the seid vestmentes as Sewyn’
In primis of William Taillour ijs.vj.d. for to haue the seid vestementys at his bereyng where and in what place that euer hit pleasith him for to be beryed
R’ Johanne Birde xij.d.

1 Sharpe inserted above the line.
2 The difference between the receipts and the payments and allowances is £2 6s. 2d.
3 The next line Item for Gyrdellis to the same vestmentes, struck through, iiij.d. The figures are not struck through but are not included in the total. A sum of 4d. for tucking girdles had already been entered this year in the general Payments paid by the proctors.
[f.72v blank]

[f.73] The accomptes of Richard Browne and Richard Kere proctours of the parysche Churcche of Seynt Owen' of Bristowe and accompton' fro the xxiiiij' deye of Marche the xiiij yere of Kyng Edward the fourthe wtnto the last day of Marche the xiiij yere of our seid souereigne lorde Kyng Edward: [1473-74]

The receytes of Rentes
[as in 1471-72]

Summa iij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Receytes on' goode fryday and Ester daye
In primis the same ij dayes vij.s.vij.d.ob.

Summa vij.s.vij.d.ob.

Other Receytes as Sewen
In primis of dyuers of this Parysshe for wax Candels x.d.

Summa x.d.

[f.73v] The receytes of Sales of Seages as Sewen'
In primis of Pyers Leche for his Sege vj.d.
Item of Johan' Pekok for hur Sege iiiij.d.

Summa x.d.

Other' Receytes as Sewen'
In primis Of William Sere for the lone of the best Crosse iiiij.d.
Item of Thomas Edwards for his wif is beryall' iiij.s.iiij.d.
Item of a Straunge man for his beryalle vj.s.vij.d.
Item of Cristian Mors for hur bequest xij.d.
Item of a straunge man' for the ernyst of a crok iiiij.d.
Item Receyuid of David Englund a Crok

Summa xj.s.vij.d.

Summa totalis de Receptionibus v.li.ix.d.ob.

Paymentes
In primis for the kepyng of the Sepulcre viij.d.
Item for the makyng of a new box iiij.d.
Item for the Raker iiij.d.
Item for ij new lamppe Glassys iij.d.
Item to the Moderchurche of Worceter vij.d.
Item for mending of the lampe whele
Item for a coorde to the seid lampe
Item for the Pascall and the Font Tapre
Item for the beryng of the baners
Item for the Costes on Corpus Cristi day
Item for the beryng of the Crosse the same day

[f.74] Adhuc Paymentes
Item for the Costes of the Generall' mynde
Item for Candels of tallow ayenst Crystesmas
Item for the Clensyng of a Gowte by twixt John' Wolf
and Batyn
Item for drynk
Item for the reparacion of the Churche lyghtes
Item payed for the washyng of the Churche Clothes
Item for Besomys
Item paid to the new vestmentes and the halowyng of the same
Item for lamp oyle

Summa xxx.s.vij.d.ob.

Allowances
In primis to Elizabeth Sharp in maner and forme
before rehersed
Item to Geffrey Gryffith' in maner asor' rehersed
Item to John' Wolf in maner before rehersed

Summa iiij.s.iiij.d.

Memorandum that Stephen Martyn is by hynd of this yere is Rent of Assise

Summa totalis omnium solucionum et allocacionum xxxiiij.s.xj.d.ob.

So alle thynges accomptid to be accompted allowed to ben allowed
the seid proctours owen' to the seid person and parysshons vpon this present accompte iiij.li.vj.s.x.d. the whiche they ley down and so discharged of theire Offlyce:
So there remayneth in the purce clere xj.s.vij.d.
Also more a spone of syluer a signe of syluer and a claspe of syluer
and gylt

Memorandum the new blew sewte of vestementes of vellewett Cost xxx.li.
Also xij.d. the halowyng of the same the whiche xxx.li. and xij.d. is accompted in the parcelles here folowyng

1 This is the rent of 4s. due from Sir Edmund Hungerford, payable by the occupier of the Three Cups.
2 This sum takes no account of the rent in arrears.
Memorandum that this ben the Yeftez the whiche ben geven' in redy money vnto the new vestementes of the blew sewte of velewett by dyuers of this parysshe of Seynt Owen and of Other parysshoners don in the tyme of Richard Browne oon of the proctours of the seid Church as folowen'

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Summa of alle the Receytes to the blew sewte of vellewett  | xx.li.xij.s.ij.d. |

The accomptes of Thomas Ap howell' and William Sere proctours of the Parysshe Churche of Seynt Owen' of Bristowe and accompton' fro the last day of Marche in the xiiijth yere of Kyng Edward the fourth vnto the xiiijth day of Marche the xvth yere of our seide souereigne lorde Kyng Edwarde: [1474-75]
The reseceytes of Rentes by the yer

[as in 1471-72]

\( \text{Summa of the reyseceytes by the yer} \) \( \text{iij.li.xix.s.x.d.} \)

Resceytes on gode Fryday and Ester day

In primis the same ij dayes \( \text{ix.s.ij.d.} \)

Other Resceytes as sewen'

In primis of dyuers of this paryshe for wax Candels \( \text{vij.d.} \)

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The reseceytes of Sales of seages as sewen'

In primis of William Rowley for his seage \( \text{xij.d.} \)

Item of John' Curteys for his seage and his wiffes seage \( \text{xij.d.} \)

Item of John' Moleyyns for his seage and his wiff is sege \( \text{xij.d.} \)

Item of Moreys Matthew and his wif for their' seges \( \text{xij.d.} \)

Item of the pewterer and his wif for their' seges \( \text{xij.d.} \)

Item of John' Taillour next the Church' dor' for his wifes sege \( \text{ijj.d.} \)

Other resceytes as sewen to the new vestementes of blew

In primis of John Chestre \( \text{x.s.} \)

Item of Stevyn Martyn of that that he was be hynd of his promys \( \text{vij.s.vijj.d.} \)

Item of Richard Kere to the seid vestementes \( \text{ijj.s.iiij.d.} \)

Item of John' Dowdyng' To the seid vestementes \( \text{ij.s.vj.d.} \)

Other resceytes as sewen

In primis of Thomas Ap howell' and William Sere for ale syllyng \( \text{xx.s.vijj.d.} \)

Item of the maydons getheryng to our' lady lyght' taper \( \text{ij.s.vj.d.} \)

Item of John' Fyster to seynt Kateryne auter \( \text{vj.d.} \)

Item of Robert Hyne is wif to the ship of siluer \( \text{xij.d.} \)

Item of Maistres Sharp. is be quest \( \text{ijj.s.iiij.d.} \)

Item of Thomas Apowell' for his Moder is grave \( \text{ijj.s.iiij.d.} \)

Other Resceytes as folowen'

In primis of Stevyn Marteyn for rent assise of that he was by hynd in Richard Brown and Richard Kere is dayes

\( \text{Summa} \) \( \text{iiij.s.} \)

\(^1\) In the year 1473-74.
Ripper: a tool used for removing old tiles.

The next line, Item for Tyle Stonys j.d.ob. struck through and nichill written above.

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THE CHURCH BOOK OF ST. EWEN'S, BRISTOL

[1475-76]

In Primis to Elizabeth' for the half yere xvj.d.
Item to John' Wolff in maner be for' rehearsed iiiij.d.
Item to Geoffrey Griffith' for the hole yer' ij.d.
Summa xxij.d.

Memorandum that the ship of Siluer weythe by sidae the spone of syluer Clero ix vnce and a quarter price the vnce iiij.s.viiij.d. of the whiche ix vnce and a quarter Richard Batyn payed for iiij vnce of the seid ship' of syluer.

Memorandum that Scryven owt for the hole yeres rent assise vj.d.¹
Memorandum that Stevyn Martyn owt for these hole yere is rent iiiij.s.²
Memorandum that ther is paied owte of the purce to the new blewe sewte of velowet x.s.
Summa totalis omnium solucionum et allocacionum predict' parcell' iiiij.li.xix.s.iiij.d.

So alle thynges accomptid to ben accomptid and allowed to ben allowed the seid Proctours ownto the seid Parson and parysshons vpon this present accompte iiiij.li.¹ iiiij.s.iiij.d.ob.⁴ the whiche they ley doun and so dischargid of theire Office. So ther remayneth in the purce clerio iiiij.li.v.s.ob. with assigne of syluer and a Claspe of syluer and gylt.

[1476 blank]

[f.77v] The accomptes of Robert Blower and John Foyster proctours of the parish Church' of Seint Owen of Bristow fro the xiiiijth daye of March' in the xvth yere of the regne of Kyng Edward the iiiijth vnto the xxix daye of March' in the xvijth yere of the regne of oure liege lord Kyng Edward the iiiijth forseid [1475-76]

The receiptis
In primis of the handis of Maister Meed for rent of assise xxx.s. [in place of Elizabeth Sharp. Other items as in 1471–72]
Summa iiiij.li.xix.s.x.d.

¹ This is the rent due from John Merbury.
² This is the rent due from Sir Edmund Hungerford, payable by the occupier of the Three Cups.
³ v.s.ob. struck through.
⁴ The difference between the receipts and the payments and allowances is £3 3s. 5d.
⁵ This section also included entries for receipt of arrears of rent but these were struck through and entered later under 'Other receiptis'.
Receiptis on good friday and Ester daye
In primis the same ij dayes  
Summa  vij.s.ij.d.

Other receiptis as seuen
In primis of dyuers of the paryssh' for wex candellys  
Item for hire of the best crosse  
Item Willyam Rowley to the makynge of a pax  
Item of Thomas ap Howell wif iiij yerdes lynnen cloth the which she gaf to make a curteyn' to the ymage of our' lady  
Item of Edmond Hungreford knyght for arrerage of the last yer'  
Item of John' Merbury Esquyer for arrerage of the last yere  
Summa  viij.s.vijj.d.

The receytes of salys of Segis
In primis of John' Blower for his Sege  
Item of Gilis Bilymaker for his wifes sege  
Summa  xij.d.

Summa totalis de receptionibus  iiiij.li.xvj.s.vijj.d.

Paymentis and expens'
In primis for wyne on palmesondaiy  
Item for the kepyng of the Sepulcre  
Item to the Moder church of Worcestre  
Item to the Raker  
Item for fante Taper and for the paschall' tapper  
Item for a Water Potte and Bromys  
Item for dyuers costes on Corpus Cristi Daye  
Item for beryng of the crosse the same Daye  
Item paid to Richard Batyn for the pax  
The which' wayeth viij vnces j quarter and di'  
Item paid to Elizabeth Wyne for oold dette  
Item paid for beryng of the Baners on procession wik  
Item for tallow candell' holme and Ivye ayens Cristmesse  
Item paide to the wif of Thomas ap Howell for that other half of the seid curteyn'  
Item for the makyng of a Boord and kuttyng of the pynacles over the ymage of our' lady  
Item for bordis and makyng of the tabernacle of the seid ymage of oure lady  

\* in parte of payment of vj.d. struck through.
Also for thamendyng of the syde of the same ymage, and for the payntyng of the seid Boord, and the stock' that she standeth vpon' xviiij.d.
Item paide for the costis of the generall mynd iii.j.s.vijj.d.
Item for a greet wire of yron to hong the curteyn' before the seid ymage, and for curteyn' ryngis longyng to the same, and for the makyng fast of the seid wire with led into the wall' xv.d.
Item for the sowyng of the seid Curteyn' and the valens that longeth' ther to iiij.d.
Item for the fraunge of the same valens iiiij.d.
Item paide to John' Steyner for the steynyng of the Curteyn' and Valens iiij.s.

[f.79] Item paide for a key to the vestry dorr' ij.d.
Item for lamp' oyle for the yere iiiij.d.
Item paide for our' lady light. Seint Kateryns lyght and the Rood light ix.s.x.d.
Item for wesshyng of the chirch' clothis this yere xvij.d.
Item for the wesshyng of iij sewtes of vestmentis and for the takyng of of their' apparell and for the sowyng ageyn vj.d.
Item for thamendyng of the Baudryk of the litell bell' and for dressyng of that other ij Borderayns ayens Alvhalwenteide
Item for vij elnes of lynen cloth' eln brood for to make a Surples for the queer'r price the ell' \begin{align*}
\text{Summa } & \text{ iiij.s.j.d. } \vij.d. \\
\text{Item for the makyng of the same Surples } & \text{ Summa } \text{ iiij.li.xvij.s.ij.d.ob. } \text{ijs.}
\end{align*}

Allowance
In primis allowed to John' Wolf in his howsrent iiiij.d.
Item that Edmond Hungreford is beynd for rent of assise this yer' iiiij.s.
Item John' Estmond is beynd for rent of assise this yer'' xij.d.

\begin{align*}
\text{Summa } & \text{ v.s.iiij.d. } \\
\text{Summa omnium expens' et allocacionum } & \text{ iiiij.li.iiij.s.j.d.ob. }
\end{align*}

So accompted to be accompted and allowed to be allowed the seid proctours ooen to the seid person and parisshons vpon this ther' present accompt xiiij.s.vijd.ob. which they leyen down'. And so discharged theym of their' office. So ther' remayneth' in the purse clere iiiij.li.xix.s.and v.d. with a sygne of syluer a claspe ouer gylte

1 queer: great?
2 This line struck through.
3 So ther . . ouer gylte in a different hand.
[f.79v] The accompltes of Richard Kere and John’ Melyse proctors of the Parysche Churche of seynt Owen’ of Bristowe fro the xxixth day of Marche in the xviith yere of the Reigne of Kyng Edward the fourth vnto the xxvij day of Marche in the xviiith yere of the Reigne of our Souereigne lord Kyng Edward the iiiith forsaid [1476–77]

The receiptes of Rentes
In primis of Richard Mede for Rent assise xxx.s.
[‘Maister Meed’ in the previous year. Other items as in 1471–72]

Summa iiij.li.xix.s.x.d.

Receytys on gode Fryday and Esterday
In primis the same ij dayes viij.s.ij.d.

Summa viij.s.ij.d.

[f.80] Other Receiptes as sewen
In primis of dyuers of this parysche for wax Candels viij.d.
Item for hyre of the best Crosse iiiij.d.
Item of a monk of Shirbourne of gyfte iiiij.d.
Item of Robert Hynd Goldsmith’ his bequest vj.s.vij.j.d.
Item of Stevyn Martyn of that he was be hynd for Rent assise the last yere by fore past in the tyme of Robert Blower and John’ Dowdyng’ then beyng proctors iiij.s.
Item of John’ Bregendynemake for a Crok vj.s.

Summa xvij.j.d.

Other Receiptes of Salys of Seges
In primis of Thomas Davy Fleccher for ij Seges xiij.d.

Summa xiij.d.

Summa totalis de Receptionibus v.li.vij.s.

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Paymentes

Item for beryng vp of a lyne j.d.
Item for a pott of wyne on palme sonday j.d.
Item for the makynge of the Rentall’ j.d.
Item for the Raker iiiij.d.
Item for the kepyng of the Sepulcre viij.d.
Item for the Pascall’ and the font taper xv.d.
Item for the Moder Churche of Worcetre iiiij.d.
Item for the beryng of the baners iiij.d.
Item for the paryng of our’ lady fote iij.d.
Item for the Costes on Corpus Cristi day iij.s.x.d.
Item for the beryng of the Crosse the same day iij.d.

1 Robert Blower and John Foyster were named as proctors in the Accounts of the previous year, see p. 96.