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Now as Holinshed and such as with painfull care and loue to their countrie haue thought good before me, to knit vp the seuerall reigne of euerie seuerall king with a generalltie of the seuerall writers in that princes daies: So haue I beene importuned by manie of my friends, to knit vp the said whole historie with a particular catalog of all such as haue purposed in seuerall histories of this realme, or by the waie in the histories of other countries written of England and English matter. For which cause (with the title of other anonymall chronicles) I haue here for that purpose, by order of alphabet set downe the same. Wherein, although I shall not set downe euerie mans name, nor of what time and qualitie euerie one was (for he is not liuing I suppose that can doo the same) yet hauing doone my good will therein, and that more than perhaps some others would haue doone, I praie thee to beare with the defaults, and accept that which I haue doone and could doo. And although perhaps I maie set downe one man twice, as first by his name, and then set downe the worke without his name, as another se=

uerall thing: yet is it not of purpose doone, or to the end that I would make a great shew, and seeme ambitious of names or knowledge; but for that I haue not as yet attained to that perfection, which hereafter I hope to doo in distinguishing of the same. For Rome was not built in one daie, and yet if one daies foundation thereof had not beene first laid, it had neuer beene after builded: and so to the matter.

A, Abbo Floriacensis liued in the time of Dunstane archbishop of Canturburie, to whome he dedicated his booke: Abbas Wiseburgensis, Nicholaus

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Adams liued in the daies of king Edward the sixt, Alfric Abbas, Alfric that gathered the liues of the saints in Saxonie, which I sometimes had, it maie be that these two were all one man; Alfridus Beuerlacensis thesaurarius whom Leland calleth Aluredus Fibroleganus; Alanus abbat of Teukesburie, one of the foure that writ the *Quadrilogium* of Thomas Becket in the time of king Iohn, Alexander Hessebiensis; he writ *Epitome Britannicæ historiæ*; Alexander Somersetensis, Alexander Staffordensis, Aelius Spartianus, Alured or Alfred king of England in the yeare of Christ nine hundred and three, Adam Merimuth canon of Paules in the reigne of Richard the second, Anianus Marcellinus, Richardus Angeruil surnamed De Berie, bishop of Durham died in the yeare of our Lord one thousand three hundred fortie and fiue; Antoninus, Arnold of London in the time of king Henrie the eight, Asserius Meneuensis, Aurelius or Aluredus Riualensis, Robert Auersberie.

B, Sir Nicholas Bacon knight lord keeper of the great seale vnto queene Elisabeth, Benedictus Claudiocestrensis, Balantine a Scot, William Baldwin liued in the time of king Edward the sixt, Stephan Batemaine died in the yere one thousand fiue hundred eightie and foure, Beda an English Saxon died in the yere of Christ seuen hundred thirtie and two, G. de Barrie archdeacon of S. Davids writ the life of Remigius bishop of Lincolne, Iohn Bale flourished in the time of Edward the sixt, Barnardus Andreas writ a chronicle intituled *Liber Barnardi Andreæ Tolosati poetæ laureati regii historiographi de vita atque gestis Henrici septimi*, in whose time he flourished; Robert Boston in the time of Edward the second, Rafe Baldocke bishop of London vnder Edward the second, Peter Basset in the time of Henrie the fift, whose life he did write; Robert Bale recorder of London, he died in the yere of our Lord one thousand foure hundred three score and one about the latter end of the reigne of Richard the second; Edmund Bedenhamer writer of the chronicles of Rochester; Iohn Bramus, and not Bromus as saith Bale a moonke of Tedford; Iohn Bracklow a Benedictine moonke, in the yeare one thousand two hundred fourteene; Iohannes Brompton, *historia vetus quam contulit Iornal. monasterio*, as hath Mathew Parker *In vitis episcop. Cantu.* Ferdinando Blake liued in the yeare of Christ one thousand fiue hundred foure score and foure, Bodinus, Iohn Bouchet a Frenchman of Aquitaine, Nicholas Bro-

dingham or Brodringham, Iohn Bosue of Burie, Blondus Foroliuensis, Henrie Bradshaw borne in Chester a blacke moonke there in the time of Henrie the eight, Iohn Burgh a moonke in the daies of K. Edward the third, Nicholas Bungeie borne in a towne of the same name in Northfolke in the daies of king Henrie the sixt, sir Iohn Bouchier knight lord Barnes translated Froissard, Bullerus, Roger Bond, Thomas Buckhurst lord Buckhurst now liuing, Stephan Birchington, George Buckhanan liued in the yere of our Lord one thousand fiue hundred and foure score.

C, Thomas Castleford, sir William Cicill knight lord Burleigh lord treasurer of England now liuing, William Caxton liued in the daies of king Edward the fourth, Campbell, Carion a Germane, Caradocus Lancarnauensis liued in the daies of K. Stephan, Iulius Cæsar a Romane, Iohn Capgrau borne in Kent an Augustine frier died in the fourth yere of king Edward the fourth, in the yeare of our Lord one thousand foure hundred three score and foure, Cornelius Hibernensis, Cornelius Tacitus, Albertus Crantz, Iohn Caius died in the reigne of our queene Elisabeth, William Camp=

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den now liuing, George Cauendish gentleman vs her vnto cardinall Wolseie, whose life he did write, Iohn Clinu or Linu an Irishman, he flourished in the yere of Christ one thousand three hundred and fiftie, Rafe Coggeshall abbat of Coggeshall in Essex liued in the time of king Henrie the third and writ the appendix to Radulphus Niger, Thomas Cooper bishop of Winchester now liuing, Richard Carguent flourished in the daies of king Edward the first, Thomas Churchyard now liuing. D, Demetrius a Britaine, Diodorus Siculus, Dionysius, Dion Cassius, Thomas Dando a Carmelit frier of Marleborow, writ the life of Alphred king of Mercia or rather of west Saxons, and liued in the time of king Henrie the sixt; Diouionensis, Dolensis writ *De laudibus Britonum*.

E, Edmerus a moonke of Canturburie liued in the time of Henrie the second; Elwardus, Eutropius a Romane preest, Enguerrant de Monstrellet a Frenchman, and scholer in Paris in the time of king Henrie the fift; Edmund Campian a Iesuit brought vp in Oxford, and executed in the yere of our Lord 1581; Iohn Euersden a moonke of Burie flourished in the time of king Edward the first, and so continued in the time of king Edward the third; Ernulphus bishop of Rochester liued in the time of king Henrie the second, and compiled *Textus Roffensis*, containing the grants of the lands to the same house, and the copies of sundrie ancient lawes in the Saxon toong, Thomas Elmeham prior of Lenton.

F, Robert Fabian alderman of London, liued in the time of Henrie the seuenth, Geffreie Fenton now liuing; Samuell and Abraham Flemings both liuing, brethren by one bellie, and Londoners borne, *Quorum prior historiolum quandam de regimine Mariæ nuper Anglorum principis, eamque elegantem, Latino idiomate (nuncquam tamen excusam) contexuit: posterior in hisce chronicis deter=*

*gendis atque dilatandis, vna cum vberimorum indicum accessi=*  
*one, plurimum desudauit;* Iohannes Fibernis or Beuer  
writ the historie of Westminster, Iohn Froissart,  
Ferculphus, Flaccus Albinus or Alcuinus, Philip  
Flattesberie a woorthie Irish gentleman flouri=  
shed in the yere 1517, Iohn Fourdon a Scot, Iohn  
Fox a learned diuine, that writ the Acts and Monu=  
ments, and is now liuing; George Ferres liuing in  
the yere of our Lord one thousand fiue hundred three  
score and eight, Fabius Questor, Florentius Wigor=  
nius died about the yeare of our Lord one thousand  
one hundred and eighteene, being about the eigh=  
teenth yeare of king Henrie the first.

G, Robert Gagwin a Frenchman, Iohn Greie  
bishop of Norwich in king Iohns time, Thomas  
Gardiner a moonke of Westminster in the time of  
Henrie the eight; Robert Glouer by office named  
Somerset now liuing a most rare antiquarie, and  
woorthily deseruing to be named *Scientissimus antiqui=*  
*tatum;* Francis Guiciardine an Italian liuing in the  
yeare of our Lord one thousand fiue hundred three  
score and eighteene, Laurence Guiciardine, Gildas  
Sapiens, Gildas Cambrensis, Gildas Badonicus, Gil=  
das Albanus, Geffreie of Munmouth liued in the  
time of king Stephan, Iohn Gower knight died a=  
bout the second of Henrie the fourth, Giraldus  
Cambrensis liued in the time of Henrie the second,  
Richard the first, and king Iohn; Nicholas Gill a  
Frenchman, Gocelinus first a moonke of saint Ber=  
rine beyond the seas, and after a moonke of Cantur=  
burie; Giraldus Cornubiensis *De gestis Anglorum,*  
Gulielmus Malmsberie in the daies of K. Stephan,  
Gulielmus Parus alias Gulielmus Nouoburgensis  
or Newberie, Geruasius Dorobernensis, Geruasius  
Tilberiensis, Richard Grafton in the time of queene  
Elisabeth, Robert Greene, Guido de Columna.

H, Iohn Hales, Hugo Albus Petroburgensis, in the  
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time of king Iohn; Iohn Harding esquier liued in  
the daies of Edward the fourth, Edward Hall a  
counsellor of Greies inne flourished in the time of  
Henrie the eight and Edward the sixth, Abrahamus  
Hartwellus *Academicus Cantab.* that writ in verse  
*Regina literata;* Henrie of Marleborow, Gualter  
Hemigsford a moonke of Gisborne in the daies of  
Edward the third, Hector Boetius a Scot, Hirman=  
nus archdeacon in the yeare of our Lord one thou=  
sand three score and ten, Heribert de Bosham one of  
the foure that writ the life of Thomas Becket, Hoc=  
let one that liued in the time of Henrie the sixth in  
the yeare of our Lord one thousand foure hundred  
fiftie and foure, Iohn de Hexam and Richard de  
Hexam liued in the daies of king Richard the first,  
Wilfrid Holme vnder Henrie the eight, Raphaell  
Holinshed in the time of queene Elisabeth, Willi=  
am Harrison now liuing, Iohn Harrison doctor of  
arts and of physicke, Rafe Higden alias Cestrensis  
flourished in the time of Edward the third, Iohn  
Higgins now liuing, Roger Houeden liued in the  
time of king Iohn, Hugo de sancto Victore; Hugo  
Abbas Petroburgensis, it maie be that Hugo Ab=  
bas before and this Hugo were one man, although for

this time I suppose the contrarie; Hugo de Genesis an Italian, Iohn Hooker alias Vowell now liuing.

I, Iehan de Bauge, Iohannes Maior a Scot, Iohan=nes Seuerianus, Iohannes Carnotensis one of the foure that writ the *Quadriologium* of the life of Thomas Becket, Iohannes Anglicus writ *Historiam auream*, Iehan Maior de Belgis, Iohannes Londoniensis, Iohn a moonke of Ford, Iosfridus Crowlandensis, Ingulfus abbat of Crowland in the daies of William Conqueror, Thomas Ichingham whome Leland calleth Thomas Vicanius, Iosephus Domnoniensis, Ioceline of Furneis, Peter de Icham or Itham a moonke, whose booke beginneth *Non solum auidendis sacræ scripturæ verbis aurem sedulus auditor accomodare tenetur*, which booke *Caius de antiquitate Cantab.* dooth ascribe to Robert Remington, as after shall appeare; Iulius Capitolinus *In vita Antonii Pii.*

K, Albertus Krantz a Dane, Kentigernus, Henrie Knighton liued in the time of king Richard the second. L, Lanfrancus that writ a chronicle in Welsh, Stephan Langton bishop of Canturburie writ the life of king Richard the first, Iohn Leland in the time of Henrie the eight and Edward the sixt, William Lambard esquire now liuing, and deseruing well of all antiquitie; George Lillie, Humfreie Lloid, he died in the time of queene Elisabeth; Piers de Longtoft, Thomas Lanquet, Iohn Lesle a Scot bishop of Rosse in Scotland now liuing, Iohn Langden bishop of Rochester.

M, Marcerius an Englishman, of whom Iohn Baconthorpe speaketh in the prolog of the fourth booke of Senten. quæst. 10. Iohn Maluerne moonke of Worcester continued Ranulphus in the yeare of Christ, one thousand three hundred three score and sixteene; Marianus Scotus liued about the yeare of Christ one thousand foure score and ten, Matthew Paris, Matthew Westminster alias Flores historiarius a moonke of Westminster, and liued in the king time of Edward the third; Thomas More knight lord chancellor of England, Thomas de la More knight liued in the daies of Edward the second, Radulphus Marham, Merlinus Ambrosius, Merlinus Sylvester, Melkinus, Nicholas Montacute liued in the time of Henrie the sixt, Edmund Molineux now liuing, Sebastian Munster a Germane.

N, Nennius Helius brother to Cassiuelane and Lud kings of Britaine, Nennius Banchorensis, Naucleus Alexander Neuill now liuing, Laurence Nowell died about the sixteenth yere of queene Elisabeth,

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Ninianus that wrote Eulogium. O, Osbert de Clare prior of Westminster, Osbernus Dorobernensis in the time of William the Conqueror, Thomas Otterborne a Franciscan or greie frier liued in the time of Henrie the fift, Abraham Ortuelius now liuing a Fleming; Christopher Ocland now liuing sometime schoolemaister in Southworke.

P, William Pakington clerke and treasurer to the blacke prince of his houshold in Gascoigne, Patricius Consul, Ioannes de Prato a writer of Aquitaine and protonotarie, Paulus Aemilius, Petrus Blessensis

archdeacon of Bath, Philip de Comines alias monsieur de Argentone secretarie to Charles duke of Burgoine, Polydor Virgill an Italian and canon of Paules in the daies of Henrie the eight, Paulus Iouius an Italian bishop of Nucerne, Iohn Pike, Iohn Price knight died in the reigne of queene Elisabeth, William Paten now liuing, Iohn Proctor schoolemaister of Tunbridge to whom I was sometime scholer, Ptolomeus, Dauid Powell now liuing.

R. Iohn Read in the time of Edward the first, Iohn Rastall, Radulphus Londoniensis, Radulphus Niger liued in the daies of king Henrie the third, Radulphus de Diceto deane of Paules in London in the time of king Iohn, Reutha king of Scots. Michael Ricius, William Rishanger a moonke of saint Albons in the daies of Edward the second, Richester a moonke of Westminster liued in the time of Edward the third, and wrote an excellent chronicle beginning at the comming of the Saxons in the yeare of our Lord foure hundred fortie and nine, and continued it vntill the yeare one thousand three hundred fortie and eight, conteining eight hundred fourescore and nineteene years; Richardus Deuisiensis, Richardus Cadneus, Richardus Eliensis whose storie beginneth *Cum animaduertem excellentiam Eliensis insulæ, &c.* Richardus Eliensis another from the former that wrote an other historie of Elie, Robert abbat of saint Michaels mount flourished in the yeare of Christ one thousand fiue hundred fiftie and eight; Robertus Montensis, Robertus sine cognomento, Robertus Remingtonus *De gestis Anglorum, cuius initium, Non solum audiendis sacræ scripturæ verbis, &c.* This saith Caius *In antiquitate Cantabrigiæ.* But others attribute that worke to Peter I-cham, See before in the letter I.

Robert Record liuing in the time of queene Marie, Robert bishop of Hereford which liued in the yeare of our redemption one thousand threescore and twelue, Robertus de Paterna that wrote the register of Oxford, Robert a prior of Shrewsburie, Roger of Abindon, Roger of Winsore, Roger de Windore, Roger of Chester liued in the daies of Edward the third, Iohn Rouse borne in Warwikeshire liued in the daies of Henrie the seventh, and being a canon of Osneie died at Warwike in the yeare of our Lord one thousand foure hundred fourescore and eleuen, Thomas Rudborne archdeacon of Sudberie after bishop of S. Davids in Wales liued in the time of Henrie the fourth, Henrie the fift, and Henrie the sixt; Thomas Rudborne another from the former was a moonke of Winchester and followed manie other authors, amongst which was the said Thomas Rudborne bishop of S. Davids.

S, Saxo Grammaticus a Dane, Samuel Britannus, Sextus Aurelius, Sentleger, Edward Segeswike now liuing, Iohannes Sulgenus or Sullenus, Solinus, Sigebertus Gemblacensis, Thomas Spot who liued in the reigne of Edward the first, Antonius Sabellicus a Venetian, Iohn Sleidan a Germane, Richard Sowthwell, Reginald Scot now liuing, Simon Dunelmensis, Iohn Stow

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now liuing, Iohn Knish a Cornish man in the daies of Henrie the eight, Richard Stanihust borne in Ireland now liuing, Sharton now liuing, Iohn Swapham, Stephanides alias Fitzstephan. T, Titus Liuius Patauiensis, Titus Liuius Foroliuiensis an Italian liued in the time of Henrie the fift, Iohn Tartor a moonke of Burie, Andrew Theuet a Frenchman, Nicholas Triuet a blacke frier borne in Northfolke sonne to sir Thomas Triuet knight one of the kings iustices liued in the daies of Edward the third, and died in the yeare of our Lord one thousand three hundred twentie and eight; Iohn Tilberie florished in the yere of Christ one thousand one hundred fourescore and ten; Iohn Treuisa a Cornishman preest and vicar of Barkleie, Telesinus a Briton, Francis Boteuile alias Thin now liuing, Brian Tuke knight liued in the daies of Henrie the eight, Iohn Twine died in the reigne of queene Elisabeth, William Thorne liued in the daies of Richard the second, Richard Turpin borne of a worshipfull familie in England serued in the garison of Calis, he died in the yeare of our Lord one thousand fiue hundred fortie and one; Tobias Roffensis, Turgotus which liued in the yeare of Christ one thousand ninetie and eight in the time of William Rufus wrote a chronicle of Durham.

V, Veremund a Spaniard, Raphaell Velateran, Giouanni Vilani a Florentine, Ponticus Virunnus an Italian, Iohn Vfford, Iohn Vton. W, Iohn Whethamsted otherwise called Frumentarius a learned man abbat of S. Albons liued in the daies of Henrie the sixt, Roger Wall an herald who in Latine writ the dooings of Henrie the fift, Thomas Walsingham a moonke of the abbeie of S. Albons liued in the reigne of Henrie the sixt, William of Riuall liued in the age of king Stephan, Willielmus Cantuariensis one of the foure that wrote the *Quadrilogium* of Thomas Becket liued in the time of king Iohn, Willielmus Gemeticensis, Willielmus filius Stephani a clerke of the Chancerie and deane of the chapell of Thomas Becket in the daies of Henrie the second, Willielmus Summersetensis, Willielmus Crowlandensis (for the other Williams see in the letter G, in the name of Gulielmus) Thomas Wike canon of Osneie, Iohn Walworth, Walterus Excestrensis, Walterus Couentrensis.

Anonymall or namelesse chronicles, treating who= lie or in part of England.

Annales Burtonenses, Memoriale historiarum, Chronica Dunstable, Chronicle of Tinmouth, Chronicles of S. Albons, Deflorationes Galfridi, Historia obsidionis Eliensis insulae, Chronica, *cuius initium*, *Calendarium Bruti*, Chronicle beginning *Rex Pictorum*, Chronica Westmonast. Chronicle beginning *In diebus sanctissimi regis Edwardi*, Chronicle beginning *Aeneas cum Ascanio*, Chronica chronicorum, Supplementum chronicorum, Fasciculus temporum, Historia Richardi secundi beginning *De parte Bruti*, Eulogium, Historia Iornalensis, Historia Carina written in Latine compiled in the thirteenth yeare of Richard the second by whom it was caused to be written, as the title declareth, which for that it sheweth no name of

the author, and for that maister Fox borrowed the same of maister Carie citizen of London, maister Fox in his Acts and Monuments the second edition calleth the same booke *Historia Carina*.

The epitome of chronicles from Brute to Henrie 6. beginning *Ab origine mundi concurrunt anni secundum Hebræos, 6646*. Chronicle beginning *Chronicorum uero quæ sunt imagines historiarum*, Chronicle of genealogies beginning *Cuilibet principi congruum*, The chronicles of S. Swithin, The commentaries of Hide, The continuances of Roger Houeden beginning *Excerpta ex dictis viri religiosi*, An other chronicle of S. Albons beginning *Fecit rex Edwardus tertius comites, Historia regia vel sancti Edmundi*, Chronicle of Elie beginning *Anno ab incarnatione dominica, 616. qui est annus 21, ex quo Augustinus cum sociis ad prædicandum genti Anglorum missus est*, *Historia Anglorum* beginning *Considerans historiæ Britonum, Pictorum, Scotorum, Saxonum, Anglorum, Danorum, & Normannorum prolixitatem, &c.* Le mere des histories, Les annales de France, Les annales d'Acquitaine, Les grandronicqz de Britane, Les petitronicqz de Britane, Lesronicqz de Normandi, Le Rosarie, Les genealogies des roys, Cronicles de Flandres, The chronicles of London, The chronicle called Brute, The Saxon chronicle of the church of Worcester, The Saxon chronicle of the abbeie of Peterborough, The Saxon chronicle written in the yeare of Christ eight hundred foure score and fiue, The chronicles of England.

Thus far this catalog. Now peradventure some will looke for a rehearsall omni gatherum of such as haue written in the reigne of our blessed soueraine: but herein as it passeth our possibilitie to satisfie their expectation, their number being infinit, and manie of them vnknowne and vnworthie of remembrance: so it were to be wished that some fauourer of learned mens fame, would comprise their names and works in a particular volume, therein imitating either the order of Bale, or Gesner; or else the commendable method of Iohn Iames the Frislander, printed at Tigurie one thousand fiue hundred fourescore and three, either of which courses being taken would well serue the turne.

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<This is one of the pieces written by Thin for the second edition of Holinshed's 'Chronicles'. It covers the whole of England, not just Kent; but I include it nevertheless, because some of the entries relating to Kent are of interest. – C.F. October 2011.>