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ADDENDA.

ALLINGTON CASTLE, KENT,

Is the property of the Lord Romney.

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The MOTE, or MOTE'S BULWARK, DOVER, KENT.

The circular battery here mentioned, was added about the year 1738.

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St. RADIGUND's ABBEY, KENT.

Lambert's Perambulation, page 163.

---- "The monasterie of white channons of S. Radegundes on the Hill, little more than two miles off /\*, valued at threescore and eighteen pounds by year, and founded by one Hugh, the first abbat there."

Villare Cantianum, page 278.

---- "The abby of St. Radigunds was founded by Hugh the first abbot, who was before a monk of the priory of Christ-Church, in the reign of King Stephen. -- Their rule was derived from Austin, bishop of Hippo; their habit black; whence they are sometimes stiled black canons, and sometimes canons of St. Austin's. -- Queen Elizabeth granted it to Simon Edolph, Esquire, descended from the Edolphs of Romney Merch, where they were very ancient; in whose successor, Sir ----- Edolph, the propriety of this place is still resident.

"In the north chancel of Alkham church, on a flat stone,

Ermine on a bend sable, three cinquefoils argent.

Underneath is this inscription in capital letters,

"Here lieth buried THE body of Sir Thomas Edolph, of St. Radigund's, in the parish of Polton, knight, who departed THS mortal life THE ---- day of ---- anno Dni 16----, Ætatis suæ ----."

At the end of the Villari Cantianum in *the Etymology ---- of all the Hundreds and Parishes* is the following account, page 399: "Radigund's abbey, alias Broadsole, a monastery near a broad soal or pond."

This parish consists of St. Radigund's, Polton farm, and one cottage. The inhabitants keep their own poor, but pay to no church.

The pastures of St. Radigund's abound with high bushes, which, the farmer says, cover abundance of ruins. There is a tradition that more than three hundred and thirty families have lived on this spot.

The farmer pointed to some walls enclosing a small place where it has been said criminals were starved to death.

In the parlour of the farm-house, on taking up part of the floor, there appeared to be subterraneous passages which are said to lead to some considerable distance.

Some years ago a former tenant was brib'd by strangers to suffer workmen to dig under this parlour in search for a golden image, and other treasure; but the said workmen have assured the present tenant that no such treasure was found.

The farmer said there were no ancient dates on the premises. Part of the dwelling house has been lately pulled down.

/\* From Dover.

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This estate is now in possession of George Sayer, Esq; of Pett in Charing.

In a MS. visitation of the premonstratensian order in England, preserved in the library of Tho. Astle, Esq; it appears that in the year 1500, the visitors found this monastery in a very ruinous state, and deficient as to the proper number of monks. The abbot, whose name was Newton, is accused of being the cause of these deficiencies, by expending the income of his abbey on women and wine; he being not only accused of incontinency with a variety of women, introduced by him into his chamber in the monastery; but also of frequenting taverns and other places of entertainment, on Sundays and holidays, where, it is said, he used to offend all companies by his wanton and unseemly discourse.

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#### ERRATA

Augustine's (St.) Monastery, Canterbury, p. 2. for dioscesan, r. diocesan.

Canterbury Castle, p. 2. l. 35. for Wiseham, r. Weseham. <Burgh Castle, Suffolk>

----- West Gate, p. 2. l. antep. &c. r. canons.

----- Arches in the City Wall of, p. 2. l. 9. for here, r. where; l. 13. for ports, r. parts; l. 30, and 32, for heire, r. heires.

Dover Castle, pl. II. par. penult. l. 8, r. ann. 1216. <pl I p 2>

Faversham Abbey, pl. 1, p. 1, l. 22, for Villinus r. Villanus.

Lyme Castle, p. 2, l. 15, for many r. money.

Malling West Abby, p. 2, l. 2 & 9, for Ælgefu r. Alfgifu.

Martin's (St.) Priory, or the Newarke, Dover, Kent, pl. I. p. 1, l. 13, for Richard r. William.

Mary's (St.) and All Saints College, Maidstone, p. 2, last line, for Pyteste r. Pryeste.

Minster Monastery, Isle of Shepey, p. 1, l. 8, for

Corveil r. Corbeil.

Ostenhanger, or Westenhanger House, pl. II. l. 8, for  
Costinhaungre r. Ostinhaungre.

Rochester Castle, pl. I. p. 2, l. 5, for Beyeux r.  
Bayeux.