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**A calendar of Durham Cathedral Muniments
chamberlain's cartulary**

Date range of material: late 13th to mid 14th centuries

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Preface

Creation of catalogue

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Introduction

Collection title: Durham Cathedral Archive: Chamberlain's Cartulary

Reference code: GB-0033-DCD-Cham.Cart.

Dates of creation: late 13th to mid 14th centuries

Parchment booklet, in a parchment cover, in a modern blue buckram-covered slipcase with a leather spine and a gold spine title 12f

Size: 180 x 270mm

Repository: Durham University Library, Archives and Special Collections

Creator: Durham Cathedral Priory

Language of material: Latin

Contents

This small incomplete cartulary is not explicitly identified as belonging to the chamberlain, but the documents that it contains, together with added memoranda, concern properties from which the chamberlain drew his income. It was compiled in two phases. The first quire (ff. 1-4), s. xiii/xiv, perhaps lacks its outer leaves, or possibly preceding and following quires: it begins and ends in the middle of texts. The second quire (ff. 5-12) is in at least two hands of s. xiv med., changing after f. 6 line 2. The two quires are separately sewn into the early parchment cover by double tackets.

Previous custodial history

A note pasted to the slipcase by Canon Prof. S.L. Greenslade of 22 July 1946 records it as having been among the post-monastic documents in St Helen's chapel.

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Processing

Calendared by Alan Piper 1975 x 1992. His Wordperfect file was input to XMetal by Michael Stansfield in 2006.

Bibliography

G.R.C. Davis, *Medieval Cartularies of Great Britain* (1958), no. 343.

Alternative forms

Digitised version available online

A negative microfilm is available at PGFilm 125

f.1-4

First quire

Inside front cover [mid 14th century]

Memoranda concerning arrears of farms in Hunsley:

William son of Nicholas, bailiff of Hunsley, owing 46s. 7½d., to be paid within two years from the vigil of Andrew [29 November] 1338, 26s. 7½d. by Martin [11 November] '39 and 20s. by Martin [11 November] in the next year. {Sureties found.} {20s. paid.}

Richard son of William owing 30s., assigned the above terms for payment, in equal portions. {Sureties found.} {15s. paid. For the remaining 15s. terms for payment assigned to his son Adam: 8s. by Michael [29 September] '41 and 7s. by Pa... [Easter ?] following.

Pledges: William New, William brother of Adam, Geoffrey Frankys, William son of Nicholas, William son of Richard, Thomas son of Adam.}

f.1r

3.2.Ebor.24, lacking the opening 2½ lines.

f.1r added at foot late 14th century

{Note referring to a later agreement over 4.1.Ebor.4, [i.e. 4.1.Ebor.6]}

f.1r-v

4.1.Ebor.4.

f.1v-2r

3.3.Ebor.9.

f.2r

3.3.Ebor.12.

f.2r-v

3.3.Ebor.14, but here with an alternative form for the rent; name of last witness miscopied.

f.2v

3.3.Ebor.19.

f.2v-3r

3.3.Ebor.16.

f.3r-v

3.3.Ebor.8.

f.3v-4r

2.2.Pont.5.

f.4r

As Cart.Vet. f.37r-v, Cart.II f.127r, Cart.III f.156v. (Was 2.1.Pap.19)

f.4r-v

1.8.Spec.33, but here omitting one clause; the text breaks off at the foot of the page, with the final clause partly supplied in a 15th century hand.

f.5-12

Second quire

f.5r

2.1.Archiep.1, but here with the address abbreviated, and part of the text, all the witnesses and the date omitted; some later alterations and additions.

f.5r added at foot

{Note of the confirmation of the aforesaid [as in 3.2.Archiep.4.]}

f.5v-6r

1.3.Reg.8a or 1.3.Reg.8b.

f.6r

1.3.Ebor.8, here omitting all witnesses.

f.6r-v

As 3.1.Reg.25.(2) and Cart.Vet. f.48r.

f.6v-7r

3.2.Ebor.20.

f.7v-8r

3.2.Ebor.31.

f.8r

3.2.Ebor.24.

f.8r [?1298]

Renunciation by John Yol of Brackenholve of all lawsuits against the prior and monks of Durham, Robert Halpemhone, Margery widow of John son of Walter son of Elias, and Cecilia widow of John Fraunceys, over any wrong up to Friday after Circumcision 26 Edward [I (?): 3 January 1298].

Date: abovesaid.

f.8v-9r

2.2.Ebor.15.

f.10r

3.2.Ebor.21.

f.10r-v

3.2.Ebor.22, here with surnames of 4th and 5th witnesses miscopied.

f.10v

3.2.Ebor.23.

f.10v-11r

3.2.Ebor.32.

f.11r

Bond by Thomas son of Fromundy of Hemingbrough to pay to the chamberlain of Durham an annual rent of 2s. for life.

No date.

f.11r

4.1.Ebor.9.

f.5-12

f.11v

Grant in free alms with warranty by Dendune son of Walter of Murton to the prior and monks of Durham of one acre of their choice from his 4 acres in Birflat [in Murton].
 Witnesses: Mr Richard of Coldingham; Stephen de Heinden; Mr Walter of Haddington; Swain Priest; Robert de Watteville; Walter of Hetton, Alexander Skirmessur; Robert of Stockton; Alan, Henry, Roger, and William de Ecclesia.
 (Was 1.8.Spec.22)

f.11v

1.3.Ebor.6.

f.12r

1.8.Ebor.23.

f.12r-v

1.8.Ebor.37.

Inside back cover [24 February 1339]

Note of cloth in stock, Mathias '38 .

Inside back cover

Memorandum on a tenement in Drewton of Richard Justis of Drewton and Agnes of Sancton.