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PREFACE.

The following list of Pickhill Parish Register Books previous to 1813 was sent in to the Bishop in 1831 by the Rev. W. Twigg, vicar:—

1st Book (which is a copy of an old Register not now in existence) contains baptisms from 1571 to 1654, and marriages and burials from 1567 to 1576, and 1576 to 1654. There are no entries of marriages for the years 1604, 1605, 1633, 1634, 1635, 1641, 1642, 1643, 1644, 1647, 1653, and no entries of burials for the years 1618, 1619, 1620, 1626, 1630, and in other years several names are wanting.

2nd Book contains baptisms, marriages and burials from 1654 to 1679.
3rd Book contains baptisms, marriages and burials from 1679 to 1727.
It is imperfect from being torn in several places.

4th Book contains baptisms and burials from 1727 to 1783, and marriages from 1727 to 1753.

5th Book contains marriages from 1754 to 1812.

6th " " burials from 1783 to 1798.

7th " " baptisms from 1783 to 1794.

8th ,, ,, baptisms from 1795 to 1812, and burials from 1798 to 1812

Inside the cover of Book No. 3 are some quaint inscriptions:-

Omne quod est, nihil est præter amare Deum. All yt is Nothing is Except ye love of Jesus.

Quo anguis tristi di cum vul stravit. Hos sanguis Christi miro tum munere lavit.

That which ye Snake with mortall wound hath piere'd That blood of Christ's propitious gift hath cleans'd.

John Gower a learned poet and famous gentleman compiled 3 Bookes the first named Speculum meditantis, written in french the second named Vox clamantis, penned in latin the third named Confessio amantis, set forth in english.

(See article in Quarterly Review, April, 1903.)

The name of the parish as given in Kirkhy's Inquest was formerly spelt Pykehall and Rokesby (Latin, Picala), i.e. the piked or pointed hill. At the time of Domesday (A.D. 1086) the manors of the parish belonged to the Earl of Richmond, under whom Robert de Musters, Roald the Constable, &c., were tenants. The Master of St. Leonard's Hospital, York, had an interest in the church here in very early days and may possibly have had part in its foundation. The advowson belongs to Trinity College, Cambridge, the owners of the great tithes once the property of the Grahams of Norton Conyers. Some interesting particulars relating to the Wandesfords of Kirklington, who also were associated with Pickhill, may be found in the History of the Family of Wandesforde, by H. B. McCall.

References to various benefactors of the church may be noted under the names Sarah Eaden, Bickers, Grant, Bierley; and there occur in the index names of former vicars not included in any previous list, e.g. Slater, Benson, Mauds, Briggs, Lofthus.

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