

## HUDD'S IDENTIFICATIONS OF THE MARKS

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- 1 (34). Seal inscribed S • AGNES • LE • CHAMB • • • • , on a deed in the Ashton Court Collection, relating to land in Henbury parish, co. Gloucester, and dated 1 Edward III (1326). Agnes le Chamberlain was probably related to Richard Chamberlain who was Bailiff 1307–8.
- 2 (35). Seal on a deed dated May 2nd, 1331, inscribed S • IOHIS • HVGGVS. Robert le Riche, of Bristol, to John Hugges, grant of houses “in vico fullorum” and St. Thomas Street. In a later deed of 1340, John and his brother William are described as sons of Hugh le Tilare.
- 3 (36). Seal inscribed S • ROGERI • LE • TESELERE, on deeds; dated March 31st and April 23rd, 1331, Roger le Teslart to John de Cobyndone, both burgesses of Bristol, relating to property on the Quay, extending to the Town Wall. In other deeds the name is given as Tesler, Tosler, de Teslart, etc.
- 4 (37). Seal on a deed of June 11th, 1331 inscribed S • JOHANNES • CVRTEIS. John Curteys, burgess of Bristol, to John Ysaac, grant of a tenement in Pyle Street, extending to the great ditch towards the Town Wall. John Curtis was Bailiff in 1342–3.
- 5 (38). Seal inscribed SIGILL • WILLI • RANDVLF, on a deed dated September 1334, relating to the sale of a shop in Redcliff Street, witnessed by Roger Turtle, mayor, and others. William was one of the Seneschals in 1280–90, and Mayor 1296–7, 1305–6, 1309–10, and 1314–5. He was one of the leaders in the Bristol “Great Insurrection,” and was driven out of the Borough during the mayoralty of his rival John le Taverner, in 1313.

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- 1 (39). Seal inscribed S • STEPHEI • DE • PARIS, on a deed dated February 9th, 1334. A record of agreement arising out of a contention between Stephen de Paris, known in Bristol as Tourtle, and John Seynde, of Bristol, respecting 2s. rent of a house in Bristol. Many members of the Turtle, Tortel, Tourtle family appear in Bristol deeds, including the well-known Roger Turtle, who was Mayor several times. There was a Walter de Paris, Prepositor in 1235–6, and a Robert de Paris about 1261.

- 2 (40). Seal on a deed of November 30th, 1337, from Roger de Stanes and another to John de Roubergh and others, grant of shops in Redcliff. This is a reversion to an ancient type of mark, similar to a and b given previously.
- 3 (41). Seal defaced, but apparently inscribed S • ROBERTI • DE • WRINGTOSE, is on a deed dated September 11th, 1334. Robert de Wrington to Gilbert Pockerel. Robert was Bailiff in 1336–7 and 1339–40; Mayor in 1342–3 and 1347–8. He held land in Irishmede. His uncle, Robert de Wrington, had a son Alan, whose will is printed by Wadley.
- 4 (42). Seal on a deed dated November 17th, 1338, Robert de Wyldemersche to John le Poltoner. This mark, which resembles that of John de Fromton, figured later, No. 54, is probably that of Richard de Wildmarsh (or Wyldemerssche). He was M.P. 1315.
- 5 (43). Seal inscribed SIG • JOHANNES • FRAVNCEYS, on a deed dated April 7th, 1335, a grant from John Fraunceys, Jun., burgess of Bristol to the Churchwardens of Temple, for the foundation of a Chantry, Witnessed by Roger Turtle, mayor, and others. According to Ricart, “John le Francis” was Mayor in 1330, but Latimer thinks that is a mistake, and that he was one of the Bailiffs or Seneschals in that year. A deed of 1346 mentions “the late John ffraunceys, junior.” He was M.P. in 1336.

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- 1 (44). The mark of John Butler, or le Boteler, from a seal on a deed dated September 17th, 1337. John le Boteler, doctor, and Agnes le Prout to Christina de la Proute. In another deed John is called “fiscian and burgess of Bristol.”
- The device on the seal apparently represents a goblet or cup, in connection with the name Butler; probably one of those beautiful cups of silver so frequently mentioned in wills of the period, but of which so few have come down to us.
- 2 (45). Seal on the deed above mentioned, John de Butyler, “fiscian and burgess” to Thomas de Uphulle and Geoffrey le Veltare, wardens of the church of St. Mary Redcliff. The inscription on the seal is defaced but may be S • THOMA • DE • UPHVLLE. He is named as a witness in several deeds from 1290 to 1337, mostly connected with property in Redcliff. This deed is dated May 1st, 1337.
- 3 (46). Seal inscribed SIGILLVM • DAVID • BENET, attached to a deed of about 1337, from the destroyed church of St. Leonard. Several merchants of the name of Bennett are mentioned in Bristol wills and deeds. John Benet was Sheriff, 1448–9.
- 4 (47). Seal inscribed S • GVILBERT • POKERELL, on a deed dated August 16th, 1340. Gilbert Pockerel, senior, to Nicholas de ffrompton, both burgesses of Bristol, grant of

property in Tucker Street. A similar seal is on a deed dated June 17th, 1337, a grant from Gilbert Pockerel to Nicholas de Fromton of a shop in Tucker Street. Gilbert was Prepositor or Seneschal in 1307–8, and according to Barrett he was M.P. for Bristol in 1319.

- 5 (48). Seal inscribed SIG • HUGONIS • CLERE, on a deed dated January 6th, 1338. Agnes le Prout, widow of Hugh le Proute, late Burgess of Bristol, to Hugh de Clere and wife Christina, grant of a tenement in le Redeclive Street. Hugh Clere is named in deeds of 1346 and 1355. His sister, Margaret, was wife to John le Free.

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- 1 (79). Seal on a deed dated 1364, grant by Lucia, widow of John Haukere, late of Bristol, and William Haukere, chaplain, to John Hakeston, of property in Bristol. The seal is roughly inscribed AQVILA • TOME or TOMAE, but there is nothing to show to whom it belonged.
- 2 (80). Seal inscribed IOHAN • • • BEDE on a deed of 1336, relating to 30s. rent out of a shop in Corn Street, in which John Bede is described as a burgess of Bristol. Thomas and William Bede are mentioned in *Bristol Wills*, but we know nothing of John.
- 3 (81). This is the seal of John, Prior of the Convent of Witham Charterhouse, on a grant by William Canynges, of Bristol, and others, of a house in Westbury lane, near Bristol, to the Prior and Convent. This Convent at Witham, near Wells, was the first house of the Carthusians in England. In his book on English Monasteries, the learned Father Gasquet states, in error, that the first English Carthusian Priory was at Hinton, near Bath.
- 4 (82). This seal is on a deed of about 1369, a bond in 2s. for a taper for the church of the Holy Trinity, Bristol, for John Bathe. John was Mayor in 1369–70 and 1371–2 and was M.P. for Bristol in 1368 and 1371. He held property in Redcliff Street, and is mentioned in Bristol deeds and wills from 1355 to 1409.
- 5 (83). Seal inscribed S • HENRICI • WYVELESCOMB, on a deed dated June 25th, 1369, from Henry Wyvelescombe, of Bristol, to John Bathe, grant of a house in Temple Street. Henry was Bailiff or Prepositor several times between 1363 and 1367, his name in the Calendars being given as Wylliston or Wellistone, as it was probably pronounced. His will, dated April, 1393, and proved August the same year, is printed in *Bristol Wills*. From this we learn that he lived in *vico Templi*; he desired to be buried before the altar of St. James in the church of Holy Cross Temple; he leaves legacies to the poor, the church, various religious foundations and to friends. He was son of John and Gunnilda

Wivelescombe, and left a widow named Clarice. He left his “silver seale, with chain” (perhaps the seal of which this is an impression), and his books, a missal and a psalter, and “my booke called Orologium sapiencie,” to friends. There is another similar seal on a deed of 1384.

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- 1 (84). Seal, not inscribed, on a deed dated June 25th, 1369, a grant by the above Henry Wivelescomb to Walter Derby, mayor, to whom, no doubt, the seal belonged. Derby was five times Mayor between 1364 and 1385. His will is printed by Wadley, in which he desires to be buried in the church of St. Werburgh, in the chapel of St. Anne. Leaves numerous pious legacies, gives directions as to his funeral, the disposal of his shares in the ship called the “Marie,” etc. He was M.P. for Bristol in 1372 and 1373. His will is dated 1385.
- 2 (85). Seal, not inscribed, on a deed of 44 Edward III (1370), Richard Scappe, of Bedminster, to Thomas Mannyns. Richard was probably descended from the Rd. Scappe of 1316, whose seal is given above, No. 12.
- 3 (86). Seal on a deed dated March 12th, 1370, inscribed but illegible. Grant by Robert Charme, of Bristol, to Nicholas Hastyng, tanner, of Bristol, of a tenement in Lewynsmede. This is probably the merchant mark of Robert Charme and may be an old seal re-used.
- 4 (87). Seal inscribed SIGIL • IOHN • DE • HAKESTON, on a deed dated June 8th, 1370, John Hakeston of Bristol, to John, William and Roger Cheddre, of Bristol, lease of a house in Tucker Street. In 1554 John Hakeston owned property in Temple and Tucker Streets, and a tenement in Redcliff Street next the Red Halle. He was Seneschal in 1355–6, and Bailiff in 1360–1.
- 5 (88). Seal on a deed of 1372, Nicholas Wallar alias Gilmyn, of Frampton, to John Niel, of Bristol. Here we have another instance of a man with two surnames. Thomas and William Gilmyn are mentioned in Bristol deeds, the latter in a deed of 1308, being described as “William Thursteyn, alias Gylemyn, clerk.”

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- 1 (89). Seal inscribed S • TOMAS • ROBERT, on a deed of August 1st, 1372, grant by William Combe to Henry Wyvelescomb, of Bristol.

- 2 (90). Seal on a deed dated November 1st, 1373, Richard Bromdon, burgess of Bristol, executor to the will of Thomas Blanket, junr., of Bristol, to Henry Viel, grant of a garden in Marsh Street. Richard, whose name is variously spelt Brandon, Brendon, Bromdon, Brompton, etc., was Seneschal in 1352–3, Mayor 1362–3 and M.P. 1357. He owned property in Baldwin Street and elsewhere in Bristol, which his executors sold to Thomas Beaupyne, Mayor 1377.
- 3 (91). Seal on a deed dated May 12th, 1375, Robert Gratelee and wife Cristina, who was the wife of John Blanket, late of Bristol. Grant of a tenement in High Street to John Woderowe. Witnessed by the Mayor, Walter Fromton, and others, including John Ryper, whose seal this probably was. In his will, proved October 1389, legacies are left to the Friars Preachers, and to various relatives and friends, including “60 ounces of silver vessels” to wife Maud. He left three sons.
- 4 (92). Seal on a deed dated July 14th, 1375, William Kyng, chaplain, son of Walter Kyng, late burgess of Bristol, to John Bir • • • • of Bristol and wife. Quit-claim of his right in property in Redland, “next to the lane from St. Mary’s Well,” and adjoining the land of John Stoke.
- 5 (93). Seal on a deed dated April 19th, 1375, John Frampton to Robert Cheddre, grant of houses in Tucker Street, etc. Witnessed by Walter Frampton, mayor, Thomas Beaupyne, or Beaupyne, Sheriff, whose seal it probably is. He was Prepositor in 1371–2, Sheriff 1374–5, Mayor 1377–8 and 1383–4. He owned land in Tucker Street. In his will, which is registered in the Lambeth Library, he desires to be buried in the church of St. Mary, Cirencester. He was probably a wool merchant from France. Giles Beaupigne and other wool merchants from France were settled at Cirencester, 9 Edward III. Thomas was M.P. 1373, 1376 and 1379.

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- 1 (109). Seal on a deed dated April 6th, 1382, and inscribed S • RICARDI • MAGOR, from Richard Magor, burgess of Bristol, to Richard Cherleton, grant of a curtillage in Pile Street. The same seal is on the next deed, Rd. Magor to Wm. Suotour, dier.
- 2 (110). Seal on a deed dated May 22nd, 1382. Alexander Morys, John Hanam and another to John Borne, weaver, grant of a tenement in Bristol. In 1382 John Hanam, to whom this seal probably belonged, owned a house in Bristol, opposite the church of St. Lawrence.

- 3 (111). This fine seal, inscribed SIGILLVM • WALTERI • FRUMTON, is on a deed dated October 18th, 1383. Walter Frompton, burgess of Bristol, to John Swell, burgess, grant of a rose annually, etc. He states on the deed that his own seal being unknown to many, the seal of the Mayor of Bristol (Thomas Beaupyne) is also appended. This seems strange, as Walter Frampton, senior, his father, had been Mayor in 1357–8, 1366–7, and again in 1374–5, and he himself filled the office of Bailiff in 1375–6, according to the “Great Red Book,” quoted by Latimer. This seems like a case of the “Pride that doth ape Humility,” or it may have been a mere matter of form.
- 4 (112). The seal of Thomas Ashford, baker and burgess of Bristol, from a deed dated October 20th, 1383. John Aschford and wife Johanna, daughter of John Trewe, to Walter Martyn. Mayor’s seal also appended.
- 5 (113). Seals on a deed of 9 Richard II (1386) and 14 Richard II (1390). John Young and wife to John Kerdyf (Cardiff). The same seal is on a deed in the Bristol Council House, dated 1391. John Young was Bailiff in 1384–5. His name is sometimes given as John Juyne. He was M.P. for Bristol in 1414. Thomas Yong was Mayor 1411–12 and 1420–1.

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- 1 (114). Seal of John Blanket, of Bristol, on a deed dated 1375. Rohert Gratelee of Bristol and wife Cristina, formerly wife of John Blanket, grant of property in High Street. (Robert Grantley’s mark is given above, No. 94.) John Blanket was a fuller, who owned property in Corn Street and High Street and also in the “street of St. Mary in Foro.” His widow married Robert Grateley.
- 2 (115). Seal on a deed dated April 1385. Henry Plom and William Portland, proctors of the church of St. John, with the consent of other parishioners, to John Knighton, chaplain. There were several seals, but some are missing. This seems to be the seal of Henry Plom, the churchwarden. The object represented on the seal is apparently a carpenter’s square.
- 3 (116). Seal on a deed dated September 1st, 1386. Isabella Torynton, of Bnstol, to William Coton, relating to property in Redcliff Street. Witnessed by William Canynges, maior, whose seal is attached. This is probably the seal of William Coton.
- 4 (117). Seal on the above deed dated September 1st, 1386, to which both the official and private seals of the Mayor, William Canynges the elder, are appended. The merchant mark of the elder Canynges was previously unknown, though that of his son is to be seen on his monument and on painted glass in Redcliff Church. William Canynges the elder

was five times Mayor, between 1373 and 1390, and was M.P. for Bristol in 1383 and 1384.

- 5 (118). This is probably the merchant mark of Bernard Milward, or Mulleward, of Bristol, brother of John "Muleward" whose will, proved May 1388. is printed by Wadley. The mark is from a monument in the crypt of the church of St. John the Baptist. Pryce in his "Notes on the Middle Ages in Bristol," p. 96, describes the tomb and says, "there is nothing left by which to identify the parties for whom the monument was erected." He apparently did notice the merchants' mark. The father and brother desired to be buried in the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, but no account of the burial place of Bernard is on record. He is named as a witness of a will of August 1397. The will of the father, Richard Muleward, merchant, has also been printed; he lived in a house on the Bridge of Avon, which passed first to his son John, then to Bernard, and he died in 1387.

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- 1 (119). Seal on a deed dated 1390. William Haukere, chaplain, to Walter Bachelor and Simon Canynges and Margaret his wife, lease of property in Nicholas Street. William Haukere's seal has a crowned "W." This has the merchant mark of Walter Bachelor.
- 2 (120). Impression from a brass ring excavated in Bristol in 1892, kindly communicated by Mr. J. E. Pritchard, F.S.A. There is nothing to indicate to whom it belonged, but it probably dates from the end of the fourteenth century.
- 3 (121). This also is from a brass seal dug up in Bristol in 1902, for which we are indebted to Mr. Pritchard. It. also dates from the end of the fourteenth century and bears the mark of an unknown merchant.
- 4 (122). A merchant mark carved on one of the groin-stones of the vaulted roof of the nave of the church of St. Mary Redcliff. From a drawing in the Braikenridge Collection, now in the Bristol Art Gallery. No. 263. Late fourteenth century.
- 5 (123). From a detached seal in the collection of Mr. F. F. Fox, possibly the mark of a priest rather than a merchant. Late fourteenth century.

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- 1 (49). Seal on a deed dated December 29th, 1340. Gilbert Pockerel, Sen., to his daughter, Isabella, grant of a house in Tucker Street. The seal, which is of dark wax, is inscribed with two letters only, but is apparently that of the daughter Isabella. The deed is witnessed by Roger Turtle, Mayor, Thos. Blanket, Bailiff, and others. Gilbert Pockerel's seal is described above.

- 2 (50). This mark appears on a seal attached to a deed dated April 6th, 1343, relating to the sale of land in Redcliff Street by Richard Plomer to J. Neel. It is probably that of Richard Plomer. The inscription is defaced.
- 3 (51). Seal inscribed S • GILBERTI • PROVTE on a deed dated September 29th, 1344, a grant by Hugh de Clere (see No. 48) to Gilbert le Proute, son of Hugh le Proute, of 4 marks of rent, from lands in Bristol, on the death of his mother Agnes. The mark of Roger le Proute is given above, No. 13, and that of Agnes le Proute will be found later. They do not, like some family marks, resemble each other.
- 4 (52). This seal, which is on a deed dated October 1st, 1345, is not a merchant mark, though it seems to have been used by Henry, son and heir of William de Hanefeld, on a grant to Richard Redinges (whose mark see below). It is inscribed SAVNT • MATTHEW • and is probably a guild seal perhaps a Guild of St. Matthew's in Temple Church. The same seal is found on other deeds of about the same date, and on one "Henry Hanynfeld," is described as *clerk*, son of William Hanefeld, late of Bristol.
- 5 (53). Seals inscribed S • RICHARDI • DE • REDINGES, are on several deeds of 1345, and 1348, grants of shops in Tucker Street and Fuller Street. As before remarked, the star and crescent on the mark are said to indicate merchants trading oversea.

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- 1 (54). Seal on a deed at St. Thomas, dated June 21st, 1345, a lease from Johanna de Hanengfeld to John de Frampton and another of seven shops in Tucker Street. The inscription on the seal is defaced but appears to be S • IOHS • DE • FROMPTON, who with Peter Frampton, one of the witnesses, was probably related to Walter Frampton, of the parish of St. John the Baptist, Mayor in 1358.
- 2 (55). This mark is from a sketch among the Ellacombe MSS. In the Bristol Museum, inscribed "Impression from a seal ring on the back of the City Seal of Bristol." It is doubtless the merchant mark of Robert Gyan, Gyan, or de Guyene, who was three times Mayor between 1345 and 1350, and M.P. 1334, 1335, 1336, and 1341.
- 3 (56). This seal, attached to a deed dated 1346, the Abbot and Convent of Tewkesbury to Isabella la Whyte, of Bristol, and others, is not inscribed. It may be the mark of the Abbot or of Isabella Whyte. The seal, on red wax, is broken.
- 4 (57). This seal, without inscription, is probably that of Hugh de Clere, burgess of Bristol. There are two impressions on deeds of 1346 to Hugh de Clere and Agnes and Gilbert le

Proute. The same seal is used, twenty-seven years later, in a deed of 1373, Henry Viel to John Deverel of Bristol, in which the name of Hugh de Clere does not appear.

- 5 (58). This seal, attached to the will of Stephen le Spicer, is now in the collection of Mr. Francis F. Fox, at Yate House. The will is printed in the third volume of the Proceedings of the Clifton Antiquarian Club, pp. 228–234. Stephen was four times Bailiff of Bristol and three times Mayor. He owned property in Redcliff Street. His son Henry removed to London, leaving a son John in Bristol, who married the widow of Thomas Fisshe.

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- 1 (59). Seal on a deed dated September 30th, 1348 (22 Edward III). Alicia Camme, daughter and heiress of Henry Camme, lease of a house on the Weir to Robert de Bathe. Inscription defaced.
- 2 (60). Seal inscribed SIGILL • THOME • DE • BORTONE, on a deed dated February 1349 (23 Edward III), at All Saints'. Also known as Thomas Babcary, Mayor 1305–6. M.P. 1353 and 1360.
- 3 (61). Seals on deeds dated 1349 and 1360, inscribed S • WALTERI • DE • TAVNTONE give his mark, the initial “W,” a cross, star and crescent. He owned property in Lewins Mead, in “le Brode Mede,” and in Tucker Street.
- 4 (62). Seal inscribed S • IOHIS • DE • WYCOMBE, on a deed dated August 11th, 1349. Grant of shops and certain houses adjoining the Tower on Bristol Bridge by John de Wycombe to Geoffrey Beauflour, both of Bristol. John was Mayor, 1346–7, and 1350–1. He owned property outside Temple Gate and was M.P. in 1346.
- 5 (63). Seal inscribed S • IOHAN • PAINVSWYKE, on a deed dated March 11th, 1350. John de Painswick and son to John de Wryngton, of a house in St. Nicholas Street. In another deed, John and Johanna his wife are named as purchasers of land in Irishmede from Walter de Frampton. This is probably the mark of John de Painswick, notwithstanding the letter W. The mark of John de Wryngton is given later, Nos. 66 and 70.

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- 1 (94). Impressions of this fine ornamental seal are attached to deeds dated November 1383 and are inscribed S • ROBERTI • GRATELE • DE • ANDOVERE. Robert Gateley to Nicholas Warren. A seal with the same mark but without inscription is on an All Saints' deed of May, 1375. The will of Robert Gateley, which makes no mention of Andover, is interesting. It was proved October 1385. He desires to be buried in the church of the

Friars Minors, a whole cloth of blanket being left to the said friars, “*p’ courcell inde faciend.*” He lived in Knyzt-masstret (now Christmas Street) and had much house property in Bristol. His wife Cristina to be executrix. She had previously been the wife of John Blanket, from whom the useful woollen rugs are traditionally said (in Bristol) to take their name.

- 2 (95). Seal on a deed dated May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1390. Robert Tedbroke and William Conele, executors of Walter Fromton, license for Fromton’s Chantry: grant of a house in St. John’s lane for the dwelling of John Knyghton and Rithanl de Leicestre, chaplains. This is probably the mark of Robert Tedbroke.
- 3 (96). Seal on a deed dated June 21<sup>st</sup>. 1377, from Richard Frere, weaver and burgess, of Bristol, to John London, weaver and burgess. In 1390, Richard Frere held a “hall” and shop in Grope lane; in 1394 there is a mention of Richard Eliot, alias Frere, weaver. No doubt they were immigrants from France and Flanders, many of whom seem to have flourished in Bristol.
- 4 (97). Seal on a deed dated May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1378. Adam Stable, citizen and mercer of London, to John Sutton, grant of a house in Redcliff Street. The seal is not inscribed but is probably that of Adam Stable.
- 5 (98). Seal on a deed dated May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1 Richard I (1378), inscribed Thomas Colston. The deed is a grant by Thomas Mannyng of Bedminster to Richard Harreys, of Keerlyon, in Wales (Caerleon), of property in Bedminster. He says, “I append my seal,” but instead thereof is that of Thomas Colston, who is not named in the deed. Another deed in the same collection, dated May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1378, bears the same seal, though again Colston’s name is not mentioned. It is a grant by the same Richard Harreys of Karleon & Magota Scappe his wife to Thomas Mannyng and Alice Scappe his wife. Thomas Colston (probably an ancestor of the better-known Edward) was one of the Bailiffs in 1387–8 and is mentioned in many wills and documents of the end of the fourteenth century. It seems curious that his neat seal and merchant mark should only have come down to us in this curious manner. In 1382 he occupied a tenement in Redcliff Street adjoining Berwyk’s Inn.

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- 1 (99). Seal attached to a deed dated August 25<sup>th</sup>, 1379, Edith, widow of William Ranol, of Bristol, to Adam Pomfret. This may be the mark of William or of his wife.
- 2 (100). Seal on a deed dated July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1379. Robert Saunders to John Canterbury and wife, lease of a house in Temple Street. The seal is inscribed SIG • THOM • • L • • • and

probably belonged to Thomas Lyons, of Ashton, who, in March 1400, owned a tenement next to that of John Canterbury in Redcliff Street.

- 3 (101). Seal on a deed dated July 1379, Robert Saunders to John Canterbury, "towker," and wife, lease of a house in Temple Street. The seal is not inscribed but is probably that of John Canterbury. The will of John Caunterbury, burgess, directs that he is to be buried in the church of St. Thomas the Martyr, legacies being left to the church, to his son Nicholas, and to his nearest kinsfolk. The will is dated May 15th, 1411.
- 4 (102). This seal, which much resembles the last-named, differs in the streamer on the left joining the lower one on the right instead of the upper one. The seal, detached from the deed to which it belonged, is in the collection of Mr. F. F. Fox. It is still more like the mark of Robert Grateley, No. 94, and may be the seal of his son. The chief difference is in the absence of the cross at the bottom of the mark.
- 5 (103). Seal, now detached and not inscribed, in the collection of manuscripts belonging to Mr. F. F. Fox at Yate House. The initials seem to be "T.A.," and the date about 1380.

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- 1 (104). Seal on a deed dated June 10th, 1380, John Sutton, of New Sarum, to Henry Derlarton and another, lease of a tenement in Redcliff Street. This is probably the seal of John Sutton. Although he is here described as of New Sarum, he was probably the John Sutton who was one of the Bailiffs of Bristol in 1409–10, and who is named in numerous Bristol deeds, and owned much property, most of which he left to religious foundations, the Benedictine Priory of St. James, the Carmelite Friars, the nuns of "Mynchen Barugh," etc. Among other interesting items in his will, dated 1415, is the mention of the rent paid by William Worcestre the younger for a tenement on St. James's Back. In 1404 John Halewey left to John Sutton a coat of mail.
- 2 (105). The seal of John Barnstaple, or Barstaple, is on a deed dated June 10th, 1380, above-mentioned (No. 104), John Barstaple, Bailiff and Chamberlain, being one of the witnesses. His merchant mark is also on his monumental brass in the chapel of the Trinity Almshouse, in Old Market, which was founded by him, where may be seen his effigy and that of his wife, with his merchant mark and her coat of arms. According to Dallaway, he married Isabel, daughter of Walter Derby, mayor. John Barstaple was Bailiff in 1379–80, Mayor in 1395–6, in 1401–2 and 1405–6, having also served as Sheriff. He died in 1411.
- 3 (106). Seal on a deed dated July 6th, 1381. William Cheddre, Roger Seward, William Draper, clerk, and John Stanes. to Margaret, wife of Robert Brockworth, of Bristol, quit-

claim of a tenement called the “Redehalle.” There are four seals attached, of which this is the third. It probably belonged to William Draper, clerk, who is named as executor in the will of William Cheddre (1382) and in that of Robert Cheddre (1382), who leaves him “a third best silver cup” then at Cheddar. A William Draper was Bailiff in 1384–5.

- 4 (107). Seal on the last-named deed, being the fourth, following that of William Draper. It is no doubt the mark, a very curious one, of John Stanes; what the object below the cross is intended to represent we do not know. John Stanes was Bailiff, 1379–80. In his will he desires to be buried in the church of Redeclyve, in the new chapel. He leaves various pious legacies, including one “to the fabric of the Chapel of the Blessed Mary on the Bridge of Avon.” John Stanes was one of the Bailiffs in 1382–3.
- 5 (108). Seal on a deed dated September 20th, 1382. Walter Tydestyle, burgess of Bristol, to Henry Haly, grant of a croft on St. Michael’s Hill. Walter Tydestyle was Sheriff in 1377–8. In his will proved March 23rd, 1385, he desires to be buried in the parish church of St. Stephen, leaves legacies to daughters Margaret and Joan, and wife Agnes, to Richard Frampton a silver bowl with cover, to Maud Couele “a note chased with silver,” i.e., a silver-mounted cocoanut.

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- 1 (64). Seal on a deed of 1351, at All Saints. William de Lechlade to John Horncastle, mercer. The seal is inscribed IOHN • DE • CHOVPES, which may be another name of John Homcastle, or it may have belonged to an unknown merchant whose initials were R.W. or W.R.
- 2 (65). Seal inscribed S • ROBERTI • SEWARDE, on a deed dated July 6th, 1350. Robert Seward and Thomas Babcary, to Geoffrey Beauflour, quit-claim to property on the Bridge of Avon adjoining the Tower. One of the bailiffs of 1351–2 named by Ricart and other calendars, “Robert Cheddre” is named in a Braikenridge deed of 1353, Robert Seward, of Cheddre, Bailiff in August 1353. “My brother Roger Seward” is named in the will of William Cheddre the elder, in 1382, as one of his executors.
- 3 (66). Seal on a deed<sup>1</sup> dated May 22nd, 1350. John de Wryngton grant of a house in Nicholas Street and of a plot of ground called le Erbe opposite. The inscription on the seal is not very clear but seems to be SIGILLV • IOHIS • DE • WRINGTON. See seal of Robert de Wryngton, Mayor, 1342, etc. (No. 41), which this greatly resembles. According to deeds of September and October, 1350, John de Wryngton was then Steward or Seneschal, though he is not named by Ricart. He was a son of John Wryngton, Senr., and

brother of Robert the Mayor. In a later deed, of 1393, he is described as John Lovell, alias Wryngton, and seems to have been a great land-owner.

- 4 (67). Seal on a deed of concession and licence from Simon, rector of the Church of St. Andoen (Ewen), Bristol. John Gardyner and others to Walter Fromton, to make an arch between the church and the town toll-house. The inscription is not very clear, but the mark seems to be that of Walter Frampton or Frompton, the elder, who was Seneschal in 1350–1 and Mayor in 1357–8 and 1366–7, and M.P. 1362 and 1379.
- 5 (68). Seal on a deed dated June 24th, 1351, John de Wycomb, Thomas de Babbecary and others to John Erglys. It is not inscribed, but doubtless bears the mark of Thomas Babbecary, who was Mayor in 1355–6 and in 1359–60. He was M.P. for Bristol in 1353 and 1360. He held property in Marsh Street and Redcliff Street, and left a widow named Johanna. The same seal is on a deed of July 6th, 1350, Robert Seward to Thomas Babecary, inscribed SIGILLVM • THOME • DE • BABCARIE.

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- 1 (69). A detached seal in the Fox Collection at Yate House, inscribed S • TOME • M • • , dating from about 1350. with the mark of an unknown priest or merchant.
- 2 (70). This merchant mark, for which I am indebted to Mr. Roland W. Paul, is on a tombstone in Temple Church, Bristol, “on one side of the shaft of a cross, incised on a slab on the floor of the chapel on the south side of the chancel. The other shield bears a chevron between three cocks.” Part of the marginal inscription remains but cannot be made out. Merchant’s name unknown. This is probably the tomb of John de Wrington whose mark is given above (No. 66) from a seal. It differs from this mark in the absence of the circle from the lower part of the shield. He was Mayor 1343–4.
- 3 (71). Seal on a deed dated June 15th, 1356, Rd. Poulshare and wife to Galfrid Beauflour and wife. The inscription on the seal is not very distinct, but it seems to have belonged to Galfrid or Geoffrey Beauflour, who is named as among “the faithful dead” in the will of John Stoke in 1381. Geoffrey was Bailiff in 1357–8. He and his wife Agnes are also named in the will of William Canynges, Sen., 1396. He was M.P. 1360.
- 4 (72). Seal on a deed dated September 12th, 1359, a lease by the Abbot of Tewkesbury to Simon Halewey, his wife Johanna, and his son Thomas, of property in Bristol. The inscription on the seal is illegible, but it probably belonged to Simon Halewey, father of Thomas Halewey, who was Mayor in 1434–5. The will of Simon is printed in *Bristol Wills* and is dated June 12th, 1389. He leaves legacies to his sons, John and Thomas. His

wife's name is given as Margery, not Johanna. Probably a second wife, who after his death, married Nicholas Hastyns.

5 (73). Seal on a deed dated September 29th, 1359. Thomas atte Reo, burgess of Bristol, and wife Elena, to Geoffrey de Publow (Pobelow), burgess.

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1 (74). Seal on a deed dated February 29th, 1355, John le ffreo, burgess of Bristol, and wife Margaret, to John Ergleys, burgess of Bristol, quit-claims of property in Redclyff street, witnessed by Richard Spicer, Mayor, and others, among whom John Wycomb is named, but not "Robert Wyc," which is the name on the seal.

2 (75). Seal on the same deed as the last, and doubtless that of John le ffreo. It is an emblem of St. Catherine of Alexandria, a very popular saint at that time.

3 (76). Detached seal in the collection of Mr. F. F. Fox, inscribed SIGILLV • RICARDI • HVRELL, alias Hurell. In a deed of April 12th, 1361, Richard Hurell, spicer, mayor, is one of the witnesses. He was Bailiff in 1351–2, and Mayor in 1360–1. He is frequently mentioned in Bristol deeds as Richard Spicer or "le Spycer" and according to Latimer he was the Mayor given under that name in the Calendars for 1354–5 and 1360–1. He founded a Chantry which is referred to in *Bristol Wills* and owned land on St. Michael's Hill. He was M. P. in 1355.

4 (77). Seal on a deed of September 24th, 1365, a grant by John Hood, burgess of Bristol, to John Waleys, priest, of shops on St. Augustine's. A John Hodde was Seneschal in 1279–80.

5 (78). Seal on a deed dated August 11th, 1362, Philip le Long, burgess of Bristol, and Thomas Denebawe, to Adam Pountfreit, grant of house and land called "le Erbe" in "Seynt Colastret." There is a similar detached seal among the Fox MSS at Yate House.