

Oxford Carpenters, 1370-1530*

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FOR some time past much interest has been centred on the masons of medieval England, while the work of early carpenters, being in a more perishable medium, has been relatively overlooked; yet their craft was complementary to that of the mason and their skill certainly no less. I have already discussed the Oxford masons in print.¹ My present paper, which is concerned with Oxford carpenters in late medieval times, begins with an introductory essay on the wood-workers' trade in Oxford and then gives a series of biographies, in chronological order, of the more important men. The first appendix lists craftsmen in order of their appearance at each college and includes details of the working life of men not already included in the biographies. The second appendix is an alphabetical one and the only extra material is about wood-workers who were not employed by a college.

¹ E. A. Gee, 'Oxford Masons 1370-1530' in *Archaeol. Journal*, cix (1953), 54 ff. In the present article the following short titles of books and articles in periodicals have been adopted:

- O.H.S.:
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| Oxf. City Docs. | = <i>Oxford City Documents</i> , ed. J. E. Thorold Rogers, O.H.S., xviii, 1890-1. |
| Cart. St. John, I, II, III | = <i>Cart. of Hospital of St. John the Baptist</i> , ed. H. E. Salter, O.H.S., LXVI, LXVIII, LXIX, 1914-16. |
| Med. Archives, I, II | = <i>Med. Archives of Univ. of Oxford</i> , ed. H. E. Salter, O.H.S., LXX, LXXIII, 1917-19. |
| Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert. | = <i>Registrum Annalium Collegi Mertonensis</i> , ex. H. E. Salter, O.H.S., LXXVI, 1921. |
| Snappe's Form. | = <i>Snappe's Formulary, etc.</i> , ed. H. E. Salter, O.H.S., LXXX, 1923. |
| Oseney Cart. I, II, III | = <i>The Oseney Cartulary</i> , ed. H. E. Salter, O.H.S., LXXXIX, xc, xci, 1928-9. |
| Red. Canc., I, II | = <i>Registrum Cancellarii Oxon.</i> , ed. H. E. Salter, O.H.S., xciii, xciv, 1930-1. |
| Harvey, <i>Building Works</i> | = J. H. Harvey 'Building Works and Architects of Cardinal Wolsey', <i>Journ. Brit. Arch. Ass.</i> ³ , viii (1943). |
| Id. <i>Carpenters</i> | = J. H. Harvey, 'The King's Chief Carpenters', <i>J.B.A.A.</i> ³ , xi (1948). |
| Id. <i>Med. Off. Works</i> | = J. H. Harvey, 'The Medieval Office of Works', <i>J.B.A.A.</i> ³ , vi (1941). |
| Id. <i>Yevele</i> | = J. H. Harvey, <i>Henry Yevele</i> (B. T. Batsford, London). |
| Id. <i>Gothic Engl.</i> | = J. H. Harvey, <i>Gothic England</i> (B. T. Batsford, London). |
| Salzman, <i>Building in Engl.</i> | = L. F. Salzman, <i>Building in England</i> (Oxford). |
| Streeter, <i>Chained Lib.</i> | = B. H. Streeter, <i>The Chained Library</i> (London). |
| Hope, <i>Windsor Castle</i> , I, II | = W. H. St. John Hope, <i>Windsor Castle, an Architectural History</i> (Country Life, London). |

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Under the heading 'Oxford Carpenters' I have included carpenters, joiners, wood-carvers and sawyers who worked in the town or who were employed by Oxford colleges between 1370 and 1530, but suppliers of wood are not included. Foresters who cut down the trees are noted, for they were often carpenters as well, in much the same way that men who worked at the quarry face were often masons.

The main sources of the information are the bursars' or account rolls of the various colleges, and any statement, unless otherwise noted, is based on an account roll of that date in the college archives. Details about Oriel craftsmen are taken from transcripts of the Treasurers' rolls kindly lent to me by E. M. Jope. The archives at Exeter College, Corpus Christi College and University College have not been seen. References to the building of the precinct walls (1466-72), the chapel and hall (1474) and rooms to the E. and W. of the bell tower (1507/8 and 1508/9) at Magdalen are from transcripts by Dr. Bloxam, kept in the college library.

It has sometimes been difficult to assess a carpenter's working life because two men of the same name have worked over a long period ; it is possible that craftsmen in wood were succeeded by their sons of the same name more often than were masons.

Professor Thorold Rogers has pointed out that the carpenter was more ubiquitous than the mason, for his activities covered much more of ordinary life ; the normal house for instance and most of its fittings were of wood and the mason only built the chimney breast and perhaps the base walls. It is strange therefore that Oxford accounts would appear to give more detail about masons than carpenters, even allowing for the fact that the colleges were stone built. This is largely because the wood-workers were more anonymous and some accounts only mention unnamed carpenters for years while other craftsmen are recorded by name.

THE RELATIONSHIP OF CARPENTRY TO OTHER CRAFTS

In most cases the master carpenter was subordinate to the master mason, who designed the building and often supervised its erection. Sometimes, however, he achieved equality ; for instance Hugh Herland, master carpenter at New College and Winchester College dined as William Wynford's peer in the Warden's house at New College in 1388/9, at high table in the college at a great gaudy in the same year and again in 1390/1, and also the master carpenter was associated with the clerk of the works and the master mason in Thomas Glasier's E. window at Winchester College. At the end of the period Humphrey Coke was usually grouped with great masons like William Vertue and Henry Redman on terms of equality and there are more records of actual

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working drawings by him than by the masons. In 1513 for instance, when Bishop Foxe intended to build Corpus Christi College, he made a contract with William Vertue, freemason, and Humphrey Coke, carpenter, to erect it according to a plan.² Usually only the mason was consulted at such a time, but here mason and carpenter were stated to be joint masters of the works. Sometimes the carpenter was in charge of important work; at Magdalen in 1491/2, when an oratory was being built for the President over the S. walk of the cloister, John Fisher, master carpenter, was in charge, although John Gyll and other masons did the stonework, and in 1503/4 Robert Carow, the noted Oxford carpenter, supervised the building of a new room by the kitchen of the same college and had masons under him.

In any case the one craft necessarily complemented the other and carpentry work progressed at the same time as that of the masons. Moreover much of the equipment needed for a large building operation was made by the carpenter. When the library was being built at Merton in 1377/8, Robert Carpenter supplied timber for a new windlass (6s.), which he and his servant made (27d.), and on the same job in 1378/9 three carpenters constructed the centering for a vault (2s. 8d.). When the bell tower at New College was being completed in 1402/3, a carpenter made a cradle in which a mason could be hoisted to fill the put-log holes, and in 1448-50, when Merton bell tower was being built, Clobberry and Abraham, carpenters, made three barrows (4s. 1d.). John White made hods and wheelbarrows and trimmed wood for the scaffold during the building of Magdalen chapel and hall in 1474;³ John Carpenter made two instruments for loading carts at the same time;⁴ a carpenter made a cart (carre) for Merton College (2s. 4d.) in 1490, and in 1504/5 Thomas Walshe constructed a cradle for men white-washing Magdalen chapel (6d.). There are many references to the construction of masons' lodges by carpenters.

DESIGN AND WORK BY CONTRACT

The medieval carpenter, like the mason, worked according to plans and elevations. It appears that before an agreement was concluded between the University and John Godard to fit desks and benches in the Theological School on 11 June 1466, a body of learned men had discussed the lay-out and John was to make the woodwork 'sub forma et modo tractis in eisdem scholis'.⁵

About 1490 John Bryan, an Oxford carpenter working at Woodstock Palace, writing to King Henry VII, says 'that where your grace had a sight bi picture of the ruff of your hall of Wodestok . . . ' showing that he had made a

² T. Fowler, *History of Corpus Christi College*, O.H.S., xxv (1893), 61.

³ J. R. Bloxam, *Register of Magdalen College* (8 vols., 1853/85), II, 233.

⁴ *Ibid.*, 234.

⁵ *Reg. Canc.*, II, 185.

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working drawing of the roof.⁶ A further reference to a drawing by a carpenter in this period is in a contract for the woodwork of the library of Corpus Christi College dated 1517, by which Robert Carow agrees to fit out the library 'according to a platt made by Humfrey Cooke'.⁷ Another drawing had been referred to when in 1513 Bishop Foxe made a contract with William Vertue and Humphrey Coke to build Corpus Christi College 'after the manner of a double platt made for the over and nether lodging of the same buildings and houses'.⁸

From the college records it can be proved that a successful design in the Middle Ages was very often the amalgamation of various good features from other designs. On 11 August 1486, when John Fisher contracted to erect a rood-loft for Merton College, it was suggested that Magdalen College rood-loft should be used as a model for the part from the ground to the lowest part of the coved roof, while the upper part was to be an improvement on that of the loft of St. Mildred in the Poultry, London.⁹ When Cornell Clerke contracted to make library presses at Corpus Christi College in 1517, he was to make the new fittings like those at Magdalen in all respects, except that a round knob was to be fitted on the bench ends instead of a popey head as at Magdalen.¹⁰

Most important carpentry was performed by contract and there are references to such agreements throughout the period. Robert Carpenter made much of the woodwork of Merton library by contract and in 1377/8 was paid £10 and given gloves according to an agreement. In 1396/7 William Wys contracted to do all the carpentry work of New College bell tower for £10. Then there seems to be no reference to a contract for nearly a century until the well-known one of 11 August 1486, in which John Fisher, a London joiner, agreed to construct a roof-loft for Merton College chapel.¹¹ On the 7 March 1488 Thomas Geffrey, a carpenter of Newbury, agreed to supply timber to Merton College, probably for fitting the organ on the rood-loft.¹² In 1490/1 Mr. Cosemore, a Fellow of Magdalen, and W. Haryson received 20½d. expenses for riding to Brackley and 'pro obligacionibus et indenturis fiendis ibidem inter carpentarios et Collegium pro edificacione ecclesie ibidem', and in 1495/6 John Cosse, carpenter, was paid an earnest of 4d. for making a mill at Horse-downe in London for Magdalen. Robert Carow made some chests, to contain books given to Magdalen by Mr. Lacy, by agreement in 1496/7, and in 1503/4 he was paid for a new room there built by agreement. The contract of 1513 with William Vertue, mason, and Humphrey Coke to build Corpus Christi College has been mentioned already, and in 1516/17 Thomas Jenkyns received 1d. as earnest to roof the Queen's College library.

⁶ *Snape's Form.*, 241.

⁸ Fowler, *op. cit.* in note 2, 61.

¹⁰ Streeter, *Chained Lib.*, 150.

¹² *Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 109 f.

⁷ Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 573.

⁹ *Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 520-2.

¹¹ *Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 520-2.

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Mr. Salzman prints three interesting contracts for work at Corpus Christi College in 1517. One is by Robert Carow to construct the woodwork of the library, another by Humphrey Coke to make woodwork in the Master's parlour and the third by William Colyn and Nicholas More to fit various roofs, and in particular that of the cloister.¹³ An entry in the Treasurer's roll of Oriel for 1525/6 gives the form of many of these references: 'Item Karow carpentario pro anglie sylying et aliis rebus in capelle Sancte Bartholomei [at Cowley] ex convencione facta inter Magistrum Ware et ipsum j li.' In 1529/30 William Caxton and one Wotton built a house for Magdalen College according to an agreement (£3).

Carpenters were doubtless versed in assessing costs and so forth, but the only reference to an estimate is in 1517, when Robert Carow calculated the dimensions and cost of roofing the library at Corpus Christi College.¹⁴

METHOD AND EQUIPMENT

Roofs and houses were usually constructed and assembled at a yard, often some distance away, before their erection on the building site. In 1509/10, for instance, Richard Borow, working for Lincoln College, which had a lot of town property, framed a house ready to set it up (6s. 8d.) and later framed another. The framing yard is known for two major works. During the building of All Souls in 1437/8 wood was stored, sawn and prepared in a garden owned by the Trinitarians, between the E. gate and Rose Lane and rented from the Prior of Hounslow; the garden was enclosed by a hedge to make it more secure and private.¹⁵ In 1528 the roof for Cardinal College chapel was being framed at Sonning.¹⁶

The only mention of a carpenters' lodge is when one was constructed in 1437/8 for the craftsmen at All Souls.¹⁷

Tools are only mentioned rarely. In 1391/2, when part of Merton chapel roof was being renewed, a 'lade' for Robert Carpenter to plane planks was carried to the college for 8d., and during the building of the Queen's College hall carpenters' tools were brought to the college from Witney (16d.).

ORGANIZATION, GRADES AND WAGES

Oxford documents are singularly lacking in reference to guilds, but there was a carpenters' guild when Cardinal College was being built in the early sixteenth century, for Mr. Salzman points out that amongst guilds which tried to interfere with work at the college was that of the carpenters. It cannot have

¹³ Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 572 f.

¹⁵ Building Accounts fo. 9 dorso.

¹⁷ Building Accounts fo. 2.

¹⁴ Streeter, *Chained Lib.*, 154.

¹⁶ J. H. Harvey, *Building Works*, 55.

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been very influential however for it consisted of only two members, the better of whom had spoilt one house and had constructed a roof which did not fit the walls in either direction.¹⁸

On a big building operation there was a master carpenter and a warden of the carpenters or second in charge, but the carpenters themselves were not subdivided to any degree like the masons of similar calibre. Even the warden was not always necessary, and at All Souls in 1437-43, for instance, while it is clear that the master mason was assisted by Robert Janyns as warden of the masons, John Branche the master carpenter had apparently no intermediary between him and the men. Robert Carow was warden of the carpenters at Cardinal College in 1526-9, but otherwise no other carpenter is described as warden.

There are not many references to apprentices, unless the boys often paid with the carpenter are his apprentices. John Branche, master carpenter at All Souls, received an apprentice in the second week of May 1438/9, who worked until the end of the year. Also at All Souls in 1440/1 Giles Joynor was assisted by a servant and a boy, while William Bate, another joiner, also had a boy, George. In 1469/70 a carpenter and his boy made a door for the buttery at the Queen's College and in 1525/6 William Caxton, carpenter, when constructing a bridge in the meadow at Magdalen, had two of his apprentices with him.

Before passing to wages one should note that the craftsmen received certain perquisites. For instance in 1412/13 Roger Carpenter, when fitting a ceiling to the Queen's College chapel roof, was given a robe (5s. 3d.) and a pair of gloves (8d.) and in 1509 tilers and carpenters at Magdalen were given drinks (4s.) 'that they may sweat more diligently at their work'.¹⁹

More important carpenters worked by contract but sometimes received an annual salary also. In 1391/2 when part of the timber work of Merton chapel roof was renewed, Roger Carpenter received 23s. 4d. in part payment of his annual salary.

Efforts were made by the government to regulate wages by the Statute of Labourers of 1360. According to this scale master carpenters were to receive 4d. a day and others 3d. or 2d. according to their worth. By 1446 rates permissible had risen for masters to 4d. with food or 5½d. without in the summer, and 3d. or 4½d. in the winter, and for others 3d. or 4d. in the summer and 2½d. or 4d. in the winter. The cost of food had gone up slightly by 1495 for masters' rates had risen to 4d. and commons or 6d. without, in the summer, and 3d. or 5d. in the winter.²⁰

¹⁸ Letters and Papers of Henry VIII, iv, 735, cited by Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 29.

¹⁹ W. D. Macray, *Magdalen Register* (n.s., 8 vols., 1894-1915), i, 66.

²⁰ Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 73, 76.

Professor Thorold Rogers gives detailed tables of wages received by carpenters throughout the period covered by this paper,²¹ and shows fluctuations between just over 4d. in the late fourteenth century to 6d. in the early sixteenth century for ordinary carpenters. In general, wages rose to summer rates in February and dropped again in November.

At Oxford important carpenters of national repute received 1s. a day and local master carpenters from 6d. to 8d., throughout the whole period. Hugh Herland is not actually recorded as working at New College, although he was undoubtedly master carpenter there c. 1388-90, but elsewhere he received 1s. a day. William Wyse, chief carpenter of New College bell tower in 1396/7, was paid by contract, but his working rate was probably 6d. a day. John Branche, master at All Souls in 1437-43 received 3s. a week in winter and 3s. 4d. in the summer. John Fisher, who built the rood-loft at Merton in 1486 and an oratory at Magdalen in 1490/2, always worked by contract. Robert Carow, the chief local carpenter at the end of the fifteenth century and in the early sixteenth century, usually earned 6d. a day, but in 1503/4, when fitting woodwork in Magdalen tower, he received 8d. Otherwise he worked by contract and his position is rather like that of his contemporary, the great mason William Orchard. His rate as warden of the carpenters at Cardinal College in 1525-9 was 8d. Humphrey Coke, the chief carpenter at Cardinal College, was paid 1s. a day.

Ordinary well-qualified carpenters, all through the period, received 6d. a day, winter or summer. Roger Carpenter for instance, who worked at Merton College between 1391-1420 and was the college carpenter at New College in 1396/7, always received 6d., and John Wyltsher, employed at New College between 1427-55, was usually paid 6d. but sometimes 5d., perhaps in the winter. John Philipps (1505-25) and William Caxton (1511-30), well-known carpenters who had long working lives, were paid 6d. a day for all their work. Carpenters at Cardinal College received the same.

Servants, strangely enough, received the same rate as a normal carpenter (6d.) but John Wyltsher's servant, William Barton, was paid 5d. in 1427/8, and his other servant, Tredwell, received 5½d. at the same time. Robert Carow's servant James Lynche (1504-25) usually received 6d. a day.

The only apprentice whose rate is recorded is the one employed at All Souls, whose master was John Branche and who, in 1438/9, was paid 2d. a day.

Joiners usually had wages corresponding to carpenters of the same technical quality. Giles Joynor, chief joiner at All Souls in 1439-42, was paid 8d. a day (including servant) in 1439/40, and also worked to contract. In December his rate was 5d. a day. William Bate, also working at All Souls in 1439-41,

²¹ J. Thorold Rogers, *History of Agriculture and Prices*, I, 323; IV, 506, 524.

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received 6d., and George Joyner, another joiner at the building of the College was paid 5d. a day. James Lambart, a joiner who worked at Magdalen in 1491-7 earned 6d. a day.

Carvers, being specialists, would be expected to have a higher rate. Richard Tyllok, carver at All Souls in 1439-41, worked by contract, but otherwise his rate appears to be 4s. a week (8d. a day). His assistant or partner, Richard Cawdry, earned 3s. 4d. a week in the same period. Richard Clark, a carver who worked at Magdalen in 1520/1, was paid 8d. a day, John Skowte, who worked at the same college and amongst other things made a set of stalls for St. John's chapel, worked by contract or received 8d. a day, and W. Okay, the warden of the carvers at Cardinal College in 1524/5, was paid the same rate.

Sawyers were often paid as a pair, the upper one in the pit receiving on the average 7d. a day and the lower one 5d., and for some months a pair of sawyers worked at All Souls. One of them was later called Walter Sawyere in 1438/9, but he was always paid so much for a hundred feet of wood sawn. Richard Pytfyn (1505-30) and Thomas Caxton (1520-30), who worked extensively all over Oxford, were generally paid 6d. a day.

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Carpenters may have been impressed for the King's work as much as masons, but there are many fewer allusions to it in the records. At Oxford the only reference is in 1396, when Mr. John Hulyn went to London to seek the return of various masons and carpenters who had been taken away from their work on the bell tower at New College.²²

Shingles were used frequently in medieval Oxford and large quantities were bought for roofing operations. In 1500/1 Robert Brygge supplied 300 shingles to New College for 2s., and another 3,200 shingles cost 15s. plus 10s. for carriage. In 1505/6 William ffreman supplied the same college with 1600 shingles (7s. 6d., plus 5s. for carriage). Richard Kempe de ffostyll sold 300 shingles to Magdalen in 1502/3 (6s. 10½d.).

It is seldom that details of roof timbers are given, but when a new house was being built for Magdalen in 1529/30 an entry was made: 'Solut. Thome Caxton pro ly slytting of walle plattis, gysers et wyndbemys et overcuppyll apud Hedyngton iijjs iiijd'.

The mason may have made the window openings, and the glasier perhaps did his share, but often the carpenter made the frames and sometimes lattices were fitted in the openings instead of glass, especially in bell towers. In 1409/10 at New College is an entry: 'Et solutum pro j longo trunco empt. pro reparacione j latys in campanili iijj'. In 1427/8 Giles Joynor made a new

²² *Oxf. City Docs.*, 313.

lattice for a belfry window. In 1479/80 it is noted : *Et solutum pro cancello ligno pro fenestra maior in camera auditoris ijs vjd . . et solutum pro 2bus cancellis fenestrarum camere auditoris ijs ijd* '. In 1496/7 Lambert Jamys made a lattice for a belfry window containing 15 square feet of timber.

BIOGRAPHICAL ACCOUNTS OF THE MORE IMPORTANT OXFORD CARPENTERS

A. ROBERT BATH, *carpenter*, 1361-96

The most important carpenter in Oxford at the end of the fourteenth century was one Robert, who was working on a new room at the Queen's College in 1361/2 (6 weeks plus nonschons, 17s. 11d.), and as Robert Bath received 10d. at the same college in 1369. His most important achievements were at Merton College, where he appears to have been master carpenter at the building of the library. It is noted in the first building account of 1371-3 that he had been paid £104 14s. 4d. during three supervisors' turn of office, and in the second account of 1377/8 he received £80, provided timber for a new windlass (6s.) and was paid 18d. and his servant 9d., for work presumably on the 'verne'. In the third account, covering a later period in the same year, he was paid £10, received 18d. for gloves and sold a ladder to the college for 3s. 2d. The fourth account covering 1378/9 records a sum of £14 13s. 4d. paid to him. On 21 September 1363 Robert Bathe, carpenter, lived in a house belonging to St. John's Hospital, inside the E. gate on the S. side, and between 1374-6 he held a house of the hospital in St. Mary Magdalen parish.²³ Merton bursar's roll of 1379 states that he received 20s. for outside work, was paid 18d. for going to Chetyndon, and that timber bought from him, probably for desks for the library, cost 20s., and 18 dozen planks, large and small, 64s. 2d. He and his servant also worked for 2 weeks on a gate to the Warden's house (9s. 2d.).

In 1380 Robert Bathe paid 12d. Lay Subsidy and resided in St. Giles.²⁴ At Merton in 1383/4 he was given 13s. 4d. owed to him and 4s. 2d. for a week's work by his servant and himself in the kitchen and hall on tables; he was paid 6s. 8d., over and above Remusby's money, for the making of the library desks. In 1384 he made a grating near the promptuary door (4½ days at 5d. and his servant at 3d. a day), and in 1386/7 constructed railings in the hall (2s. 6d.). He did work at Ypston (Ipsden) in 1390 (3s. 4d.) and in 1391/2 was perhaps working on the choir roof when he was paid for 40 weeks and five days at 2s. 6d. a week and his servant at 2s. a week and he planed planks (8d.).

Robert Carpenter made library windows at the Queen's College in 1395/6 (13s. 4d.). It is probable that Robert Carpenter's roof for Merton library is the

²³ *Cart. St. John.*, III, 128, 185, 192, 197.

²⁴ *Oxf. City Docs.*, 39.

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trussed-rafter one still existing, but its character was changed in 1502/3 when it was ceiled and bosses added. The presses made by him, perhaps on the lectern system, the money for which was supplied by Walter de Rammesbury, fellow of the college,²⁵ were replaced by others in 1623.

B. HUGH HERLAND, *master carpenter, 1360-1405*

The chief carpenter and designer of the woodwork at New College, and later at Winchester College, was Hugh Herland, a colleague of the King's mason William Wynford, and chief carpenter to the King when the colleges were built.

Most of the facts about his life have been collected by John Harvey and a résumé is given below in order to show the importance of Herland as a craftsman. He was a foreman under his father William Herland, chief carpenter at Westminster and Windsor, in 1360, and they had to impressmen for the work.²⁶ In 1360 he was granted 8d. a day while at Westminster,²⁷ and in 1366 a yearly fee of £6 13s. 4d. and was to receive wages of 6d. a day.²⁸

When his father died in 1375, he became chief carpenter at Westminster at 1s. a day and a yearly robe like that of an esquire of the Household,²⁹ and during this period made a wooden tester for Edward III's tomb at Westminster.³⁰ Between 1378 and 1387 he was on repairs at Leeds and Rochester castles and in 1387 advised William of Wykeham, Bishop of Winchester, at Highclere Manor in Hampshire.³¹

William of Wykeham, as Clerk of the King's Works, must have noticed Hugh's craftsmanship, for he employed him on both of his collegiate foundations. Herland's servant dined in New College in 1387/8,³² and he himself was at the College more than once in 1388/9. He dined in the Warden's house, together with the master mason, William Wynford, twice and four servants accompanied him.³³ In the same year he was at a great gaudy in the college hall, given to the craftsmen on the building work, together with the King's masons Henry Yevele and William Wynford. In 1390/1 he was at high table with Wynford, and his servant was given commons in the college. By 1397/8 a Herland appeared on the college lists and thus both Wynford and Herland's sons had come to college.

On 3 March 1390 Yevele, Wynford and Herland were put in charge of works at Winchester Castle and in this year Yevele and Herland were ordered to supervise work at Canterbury Castle.³⁴ Herland was master carpenter at

²⁵ *Wood's Life and Times*, II, O.H.S., XXI (1892), 398 (s.a. 1674).

²⁶ Harvey, *Yevele*, 24 f.

²⁷ F. B. Andrews, *Medieval Builder and his Methods*, 58.

²⁸ Andrews, *l.c.* in note 27.

²⁹ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 24.

³⁰ Bursar's Roll 1388/9.

³¹ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 24.

³² Harvey, *Yevele*, 35.

³³ New College Seneschall's Book.

³⁴ Harvey, *Yevele*, 44.

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Winchester College in 1393 and his likeness was put in the E. window of the chapel by Thomas Glasier; he dined many times with the Founder during the year.³⁵

In 1394 he became chief carpenter at Westminster Hall,³⁶ and designed the magnificent roof there, finished by 1400, and possibly also the roof of the abbot's house. In 1396 Herland received a grant of a little house at Westminster wherein he kept his tools and made his models (*formulae*), as he had done for 30 years.³⁷

Yevele, Wynford and Herland had their appointments as overseers of the work at Winchester Castle confirmed in 1397,³⁸ and during the year his fees as surveyor and King's chief carpenter amounted to £43 3s. 4d.³⁹ He went to live at Kingston-on-Thames in 1400 and had surrendered all his offices by 1405.⁴⁰ It is possible that the library roof is the only original one in New College that might have been designed by Herland, for those of the chapel and hall have been destroyed.

C. WILLIAM HICKMAN, *master carpenter*, 1388-1400

The man in charge of the carpentry work on the site, at New College, seems to have been William Hickman, who was not a local man and later was the chief working carpenter at Winchester College. He dined in college in the seventh week of 1388/9 and was at the Assumption day gaudy. In 1390/1 he was paid 32s. 4d. 'pro factura j interclaus. in superiora camera mansi custodis', and a ceiling in the Warden's oratory, and was paid also for 12 planks called 'quarterbords' for the partition. In 1390/1 he, his son and an apprentice were in hall and he was again in college in 1392/3 and in 1399/1400.

D. WILLIAM WYSE, *master carpenter*, 1396-1403

William Wyse was in charge of the carpenters at the building of New College bell tower in 1396/7 and received £10 in full payment for all the carpentry there, of which £5 was paid by the clerk of the works, John Bouke.⁴¹ He made 5 doors and 11 windows⁴² for the tower, receiving 6s. 8d. for the big door, 12d. each for the other 4 doors and 12d. also for the 11 windows, and was paid 75s. 4d. for oak bought through him in Windsor Forest, for hanging the bells and for finishing the woodwork of the tower roof.⁴³ He and his mates lived in a house hired from Henry Lymmenere for 8 weeks (4s. 6d.) and when the building account for the year finished he was still owed 3s. 1½d.⁴⁴

³⁵ *Ibid.*, pp. ix and x quoting Wykeham's Household Roll.

³⁶ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 25.

³⁷ Andrews, *l.c.* in note 27.

³⁹ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 25.

⁴⁰ *Ibid.*

⁴² *Id.*, 311.

⁴³ *Id.*, 312.

³⁸ Harvey, *Yevele*, 51.

⁴¹ *Oxf. City Docs.*, 310.

⁴⁴ *Id.*, 313.

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He was still working at the college as late as 1399/1400, when he was given commons, and on 15 April 1403 he was appointed chief carpenter at Windsor Castle and Manor, and at Esthampstede and Henley, to have 6d. a day and livery, and succeeded Thomas Fraunceys in that office.⁴⁵

E. GILES JOYNOR, *joiner*, 1427-42

Giles Joynor was paid 5s. 11d. for a new lattice for a window in New College bell tower in 1427/8, but his chief claim to fame is that he was the principal joiner at the building of All Souls College. He is first mentioned in the third year 1439/40 and worked from the first week of June until the end of December, and received 8d. a day as a rule, but this included pay for his servant, who was paid 2d. a day for 18 days during his master's absence in August. In 1440/1 Giles was chiefly employed on the construction of windows. During September and the first week of October he, his servant and his boy made 13 windows at 16d. each and 29 at 8d. each, but thenceforward he is not mentioned by name, although perhaps working.

In the 5th year 1441/2 he worked from February to March and then is not mentioned until the first week of December, when his rate was 5d. a day.

F. JOHN WYLTHER, *carpenter*, 1427-55

John Wyltsher worked consistently for New College from 1427/8 until 1454/5 and first appeared at the college in 1427/8, when he carried lead for the chapel roof, and later was paid 12s. 3d. for 24½ days work on a new gate being built against the town's east gate. His servants were William Barton and John Tredwell. In the same year he and Tredwell fitted a lattice made by Giles Joynor to a window of the bell tower. In the next year he worked for a day on the fuel house, and between 1429/30 did work on Merton College property. He next occurred at New College in 1434/5, when he was working on a latrine in 'novo loco' (the stable) (at 5d. a day and 3d. for his man). In 1436/7 the first repairs recorded were to bell wheels; John Wyltsher was paid 2d. for a tool for mending the wheel, 14d. for a plank for it, supplied a bolt for 2d., made a new wheel and the whole cost 17½d. In the same year he made wooden fittings for the kitchen and also repaired the doors of the stable (22d.). He spent 3 days repairing the scholars' tables in the hall in 1440/1 (at 5d. a day), and in 1442/3 was 2½ days in the tower working on bell stocks. In 1444/5 he spent 5 days on the same job. In 1448/9 he fitted planks above a large cupboard in the inner vestry, for 2 days, mended trestles in the hall, dressing boards and a window in the kitchen, repaired tables in the hall and fitted new doors to the study by the latrine and to the cloister for 6 days.

⁴⁵ Cal. of Letters Patent Henry IV (1401-5), 218.

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John Wyltsher was working in the college quite as actively in 1452/3. He and his man worked for 2 days on 'trestylls' for hanging bells and made a rail for hangings in the chapel; timber costing 3s. 4d. was used and the whole amounted to 5s. 10d. Some railings were next put up in the hall (12s. 8d. including 6s. 8d. for timber). He also received 18d. for the hangings equipment, for planks and for the repair of a door leading to the wood store. The last year in which he worked in the College was 1454/5. He repaired the clock setting (6s. 3d.) and worked on the belfry windows and in the hall.

G. JOHN BRANCHE, *master carpenter*, 1437-1468

The master carpenter at the building of All Souls College was John Branche, who, like Richard Chevynton the master mason, was probably employed at Abingdon Abbey as well, for in the Trinity Warden's account of 1448/9 a paling was erected between the gardens of John Braunche and John Peperwhit (6s. 6d.).⁴⁶ He also worked at other places in Oxford for Branch, carpenter, was given 20d. as a reward by New College in 1465/6 and in 1468 Merton College paid him 11s. 4d. for shingles.

At the building of All Souls he worked fairly consistently. In the first year 1437/8 he was given 14d. expenses for surveying oaks at Eynsham and Schottore (Shotover); he was termed principal carpenter and worked 8 weeks at 3s. 4d. and 6 weeks at 3s. His servant worked 3 days at 5d. and 38 days at 4d.

In the next year 1438/9 he received the winter rate of 3s. in January, but in February his wages rose to 3s. 4d. a week and he continued to work steadily, his rate dropping again in November. He was apparently not at the College in the second week of April (Easter), the fifth week of May (Whitsun) and the last week of December (Christmas), which suggests that he was not an Oxford man.

In the third year his attendances were not quite so regular, but nevertheless quite consistent, his rate rising in February as before; he was not present in the fifth week of July and after the third week of September all the carpenters are paid together. He was not working in the last weeks of December.

In the fourth year 1440/1 he worked quite regularly. At the end of January he received 12d. for 2 days work choosing oak in Cumnor Wood, given by the Abbot of Abingdon; he was only present one week in June and is not mentioned any more in this year after the third week of October.

In the next year 1441/2 some money owed to Archbishop Chichele by the Abbot of Abingdon was paid through him, again suggesting that he was an

⁴⁶ 'Accounts of the Obedientiars of Abingdon Abbey', *Camden Soc.*, n.s., LI (1892), 124: see also *Berks. Archaeol. Journ.*, LI (1948-9), 54.

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Abingdon man. He did not come back to All Souls until March and the long absence may mean that he had another important job during that period. He was away for April, but in the first week of May was paid 2s. for making a study. He is not mentioned then until August and worked until December. In the fourth week of that month he received 8s. for making 4 studies and by then the woodwork of the college must have been complete.

Most of the spectacular woodwork would be made by the carver, Richard Tylok, but to John Branche and his men must be given credit for the moulded beams, roofs and door frames; the chapel roof, in all probability designed by John Branche, happily remains and is the earliest surviving hammer beam roof in Oxford (PL. IX). In the second year 1438/9, in the second week of May, John Branche received an apprentice, who continued to work at 2d. a day until the end of the year. It is possible that John Branche was descended from a carpenter of the same name who became a freeman of Wells in 1407.⁴⁷

H. RICHARD TYLOK, *carver*, 1439-41

Interest is bound to centre more on the specialist craftsmen, and the wood carvers at All Souls were Richard Tylok, Richard Cawdry and John Mayne. It seems that the first two were in the same firm for they replaced each other and never seemed to be in the college together, implying that like so many craftsmen at this time they were running other work concurrently. John Mayne is only mentioned for one job.

Richard Tylok is not mentioned by name in the accounts until 1439/40, when he was paid 4s. for making desks in the library. In September and October he was working in the College, with from two to four men, from the fourth week of October to the second week of November inclusive. Richard Cawdry took his place for three weeks and then he returned to work until the end of December. In 1440/1 he came in the second week of January and continued until the last week of February. The work seems to have been on the library fittings and was finished by Cawdry during March and April.

In the first week of September 1440/1 is the entry: 'Et solut. predicto Ricardo Tylok kervere loc. in grosso ad faciendum angelos in tectura capelle in parte soluc. summe maioris' 33s. 4d. and he received 22s. 8d. in full payment for making the angels in the first week of October. His rate was probably 4s. a week.

I. JOHN BRYAN, *master carpenter*, 1470-80

John Bryan did much work in Oxford and also was employed on the King's palace at Woodstock. He first appeared at New College in 1470, when he was

⁴⁷ Harvey, *Gothic Engl.*, 99.

paid 5s. for repairing the wheel of the second bell in the belfry, and 2s. for fitting a new latch to the great door of the chapel. In 1474/5 he made 8 feet of crests for the high altar in Merton College chapel, fixed this brattishing (4s. 4d.) and also put up iron fittings for the altar curtains.

In 1476 he mended the door of the latrine and a garden door at New College and nails were bought for the work. He made some beds in 1479/80 at a cost of 9s. 9d. He was working at Magdalen College in 1474, when he made the roof of a tower in the wall opposite the college gate and was paid for roof slates.⁴⁸ John Bryan's connexion with Woodstock is not so happy, and one does not know the end of the story. In a letter which he wrote to the King⁴⁹ it appears that he had made a design for the roof of the palace which had been accepted. He thereupon prepared timber for it, only to hear from the Prior of Llanthony that the design should be altered. John Bryan then said that he would alter it if he could be paid £11 which was still owed to him, as the timber had already been used in various offices by other carpenters. The letter suggests that he was a master carpenter in the King's employment, that he had supplied the wood and needed capital before he could continue.

J. LYSBY, *carpenter*, 1473-84

The whole of Lysby's work was done apparently for Merton College. In 1473 he made beds and worked on a room for seven days, repaired a low room near the Warden's parlour, mended a latrine (4 days at 6d.) and was at Holywell (6d.). In 1474/5 he repaired the vestry and in 1476 he made some chamber windows, cut some planks and he and a servant repaired Holywell barn. He and Saunder repaired rooms (4½ days 4s. 3d.) in 1478 and he supplied timber for Aston's room. In 1478/9 he squared timber and he and a servant made windows for the hall and some rooms (9 days 9s.). He also made St. Leonard's altar in the chapel and a wheel for a small bell in the tower and hung it.

In the next year he repaired the exchequer (15½ days, 7s. 8½d.) the accountant's room (2½ days, 15d.) the hall and some rooms and worked in the chapel. He and Hycks, another carpenter, worked for 6 days on the bachelor's rooms and at Holywell (11s. 6d.) and Lysby repaired the hall there. Lysby and Hycks constructed a roof for the new chancel built by the college at Wolvercote in 1482 and also squared timber, made planks (3s. 9d.) and repaired various rooms (17 days, 7s. 0½d.).

In 1483 he squared wood (18d.) and he and Tybard constructed a gate (4 days at 10d.). They squared wood and built a paling and worked in the accountant's room (18s. 10d.). In 1484 he and Saunder prepared wood at Cuxham and Eynsham and repaired a cow-house at Holywell. He repaired

⁴⁸ Bloxam, *Magdalen Register*, 233.

⁴⁹ Printed in full in *Snape's Form.*, 241-2.

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walls in the Warden's lodge (4 days, 2s.), prepared wood to make ladders, helped Saunder in the accountant's room (11d.) and worked in the Warden's room and the latrines. Lysby's usual rates were 6d. or 5d. according to the season.

K. JOHN WHITE, *carpenter*, 1474-91

When the chapel and hall were being built at Magdalen College in 1474, John White and his men made apparatus for the masons, with which to carry stone, and they trimmed wood for the scaffold. In 1475/6 he made a latrine at Canterbury College and mended steps to a high room.⁵⁰ Between 1478 and 1487 he lived in a house inside the E. gate belonging to St. John's Hospital. John White received 15d. 'pro una pipa ad panes conservandos' (a container in which to keep bread) at Magdalen in 1484/5, was paid 21s. 8d. for making and placing planks in the bursar's room and he was working on the roof of the chapel at Wanborough. He repaired the stable and made a chest for it (6s. 6d.), at the college.

In 1485/6 he and two men worked for 7 days in the bursary, fixed planks in the stableman's room, repaired a pentice above the great doors of the barn (16d.), made a movable bed and was paid 9s. 4d. for various repairs in the chapel and chambers and for 350 feet of wood.

He made an Easter sepulchre (12d.) in 1486/7 and was paid 38s. for carrying elms, iron and other things for the promptuary. He made a movable bed and received 3s. 6d. for making and carrying 'ly frame'. In 1487/8 John White earned 33s. 4d. for carpentry at Horsepath, and at the college he made a bridge leading to the meadow and carried timber for it (13s. 7d.). He also received £3 9s. 1d. for work in the hospital and sold 400 planks for it. In 1490/1 he and Mr. Cosemore, a fellow, rode to Brackley on college business (18d.) and they examined timber at Whateley which was bought for him.

L. JOHN FISHER, *joiner and master carpenter*, 1486-1510

On 11 August 1486 an indenture was made between the Warden of Merton College, Richard FitzJames, and John Fisher, a London joiner, to construct a rood-loft in a place to be arranged. John was to provide foreign wood and the college agreed to find the local timber. Magdalen College rood-loft was to be used as the model for the part from the ground to the lowest part of the coved roof, which was to be 12 feet high with screens (*speris*) and lintels (*lynterns*) for the 11 altars, but John must make better doors than those at Magdalen. The upper part was to be 5½ feet high on both sides and was to be

⁵⁰ From MSS. notes kindly lent to me by Mr. W. A. Pantin, to whom I am much indebted for help and advice.

an improvement on the rood-loft of St. Mildred in the Poultry, London. John Fisher was also to make statues in good timber to cover a frontage of 30 feet, each to be 11 feet high, of characters to be named by the Warden or his representatives. It was to be finished by Michaelmas 1487 and John was to receive £27 in all, £5 at the sealing of the agreement, the rest to be paid at appropriate days as the work progressed; in addition the Warden was to supply meat and drink for John and two or three servants while working in the college. John Fisscher, John Byrche, joiner, and William Petite, wax chandler, citizens of London, bound themselves in £40 worth of goods.⁵¹

In 1489/90 Fisher made a new chest for Merton College (2s. 10d.) and in 1490 a door to the chapel room (6d.) and he repaired bachelors' studies (15d.). In 1490/1 John Fisher was employed on important work at Magdalen College, where he was in charge of building an oratory for the President over the new S. walk of the cloister, and received 40s. in part payment of 5 marks.

He made a new bell wheel for the tower at Magdalen in 1491/2 (6s. 10d.) and was called 'sculptor'. He also received 26s. 8d. in full payment of 5 marks for the oratory, carried timber from his house to the College (9d.) and supervised a mason, John Gyll, who made holes in, and cut a door through, the wall of the chapel and took down battlements. In 1494/5 ffyscher junior, perhaps his son, made a door for the Founder's tower (20d.). John Fisher himself made a wheel for the first bell in the tower and repaired the third bell (2 days, 8d.). In 1494/5 he also made the woodwork for a new well at Merton College. He made new cupboards for the hall at Magdalen in 1502/3 and worked at Horsepath, and in the same year he ceiled the library at Merton and received £11 plus a reward of 20s. In 1504 he made a grating for a well by the proctor's door at Merton (3d.) and he, his son and John Myles laid a floor (3½ days, 4s. 8d.) in the college.

M. RICHARD BOROW, *carpenter*, 1490-1511

Richard Borow and two others worked for 13 days at 6d. a day on the new S. walk of the cloister being built at Magdalen in 1490/1, two of his servants were paid for taking down a house near the orchard wall and he built a large gate and a postern, probably for the wall which was being built at the time. In 1491/2 he made movable beds (21d.) and in 1492 he made window frames for Lincoln College and supplied a plank for a drain.

Richard Borow and three men repaired the barn at Magdalen in 1502/3 (2s.) and he and Nicholas Jonys repaired gates near the bridge (4 days, 3s. 4d.). He and another carpenter made tables for the bursary and repaired rooms (20d.), the store house, stables (9s.) and a movable bed and worked in St.

⁵¹ *Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 520 ff.

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John's chapel. He and others also built a house in Candysshe (i.e. Canditch—the line of the city ditch, Broad St.) during the year.

He repaired a room at Magdalen in 1504/5 and in the next year he and two others helped to demolish the tower of St. John's chapel, at the completion of the new tower (5½ days, 6s. 3d.). In 1506/7 he worked on a house and the Ram Inn, belonging to Lincoln College, made some palings, and repaired a bed, and in 1509/10 he repaired a Lincoln College house, made beds and mended some high walls (15d.), a latrine (3d.) and a table (12d.), worked at Waytt's house, on houses in Church Lane, on the Ram, at Thomas Burstall's house, laid a sleeper and repaired rafters. He also framed two houses before setting them up.

He repaired a room at Magdalen in 1509/10 and mended beds and studies (9d.), and in 1510/11 he was again at Lincoln College and made a door and windows, sawed posts, mended a dovecote (12d.), made a railing (4d.), made a store cupboard for capons and chickens, constructed a bed and repaired some college property.

N. ROBERT CAROW, *master carpenter*, 1491-1531

Some of the carpenters who worked at Oxford were national figures, but no one was a more important local craftsman than Robert Carow, and more of his work exists intact than that of any other medieval carpenter who fitted wood-work in the colleges.⁵²

His first appearance was in 1491/2 when he and Thomas Jenkyns were paid for trimming wood at Stow wood for Oriel College. He repaired St. Mary's chapel in St. Mary's church for Oriel in 1493/4 (8d.), and in the same year was working on a new vestry for the Queen's College (10d.) and supplied 7 loads of firewood for the store. In 1494/5 he went over to Shotover to supervise timber for the new tower at Magdalen (4d.), a college which was to employ him in an important capacity consistently until 1524/5. In 1495/6 he fixed cords above the high altar at the same college, on which to hang curtains (8d.) and made two benches for St. John's chapel. He also made a window for a room above the library (4d.), worked on two gable walls in an old building and on another next the kitchen for 15 days at 6d. In this work he was assisted by two servants and received 10d. for planks. Outside he made palings for the far side of the bachelors' garden (8 days at 6d.). In this year also he repaired St. Bartholomew's chapel for Oriel (6s.).

Robert Carow made chests (capsas) to contain a 'Quinquagene Augustinij' given to Magdalen College by Mr. Lacy (3s. 4d.), in 1496/7, and worked for three days stopping up holes at the end of the library roof, and sawyers made

⁵² For an account of Robert Carow see E. M. Jope, *Oriel Record*, April 1946, 9-10.

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rafters for the job (2s. 1d.). He also made other chests in which to keep important documents in the muniment tower (4os.) and he and John Hudson supplied wood for them (3s.). In 1498/9 he supplied timber to Magdalen (20d.) and in the same roll a William Carow is mentioned as selling 'evysborde' (6d.). Robert Carow made planks for benches in the hall in 1500/1 and constructed fittings for the kitchen. He made a new louvre for the hall at All Souls in 1501/2.

In 1502/3 he made fittings for windows in the Muniment tower at Magdalen (12d.) and in 1503 he was guarantor for William Patenson, Principal of St. Edmund Hall.⁵³ His chief work in 1503/4 was at Magdalen, where he was master carpenter of the bell tower; he constructed a new chest to contain valuables (jocalia) (3s. 1d.) supplied timber for the new tower (19s.) and worked on it for 9 days (6s. 8d.). His rate by now was that of a master (8d. a day) and he and three servants did 13 days work on the tower (29s. 3d.) later in the year. He was also commissioned by the College to buy a new 'corea' for the tower, and built some new rooms and repaired one after it had been fitted with a new chimney according to an agreement (11s. 6d.). He and his servant spent 23½ days building a new stable for Magdalen in 1504/5 (42s. 8d.) and they also worked on the bells (6s. 6d.).

In 1505/6 Robert Carow made two wooden crosses to fix against the walls in Magdalen College chapel near the doors (12d.) and there are references to James Lynche, his servant. His servants made a trough for the orchard (7s. 6d.), a movable bed (6d.) and worked on a gate, bridge and paling in the President's garden (3s. 9d.). Robert also repaired a cross at All Souls (12d.), and sold and carried timber for an All Souls shop (11s. 4d.) during the year.

On 29 September 1507 he was renting a house called Grammar Hall at 20s. a year, on a site now occupied by 42 and 43 High Street, from Magdalen College.⁵⁴ He lived there at least until 29 September 1511, but by 1516 Robert Pannett, mason, was inhabiting it.⁵⁵

In 1507 Robert Carow leased King's and Holywell mills from Merton College for £3 3s. annually.⁵⁶ He made racks, walls and ladders for the stable at Magdalen in 1507/8 (3s. 3d.), and four of his servants were fitting woodwork in new chambers being built between St. John's chapel and the new tower. He also trimmed wood at Stow wood for Oriel (4s. 6d.), built a shop and repaired Dr. Reper's window (£1).

In 1508/9 he did repairs for Magdalen (14s. 6d.), put up a new paling in the orchard (6s.) and also worked on new rooms being built to the E. of the tower. He repaired St. Bartholomew's Hospital for Oriel in 1510/11 (13s. 4d.)

⁵³ A. B. Emden, *An Oxford Hall in Medieval Times*, 168, 277.

⁵⁴ *Cart. St. John*, III, 289.

⁵⁵ *Id.*, 293.

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and in 1512/14 erected Buckley Hall for them (£5 13s. 4d.). He sold boards to Magdalen College in 1512/13 (20d.) and in 1515/16 he made a movable bed (3 days at 6d.), a chest for the wax, and trimmed wood (3s. 6d.) for the same college. He also prepared wood for John Austen's room (£4 1s. 10d.), his two servants trimmed wood and one made two movable beds, and Carow floored a lower room (3s.). In the same year he did various small jobs for All Souls (5s.). In 1516 as a bailiff he drank with Oriel College officials when rent payments were made.⁵⁶

In 1516/17 he sawed 'le grysts' for Magdalen (3d.), fitted an important new timber structure and squared wood (41s.), but between 1516-18 his most important work was at Corpus Christi College, now being built, where he undertook large contracts from Humphrey Coke; he was master carpenter on the spot there, probably built the similar roof of St. Mary's College under the same King's carpenter, and almost certainly framed the roof of the old hall at Tackley's Inn belonging to Oriel College, c. 1512-14.⁵⁷ He was a councillor of Oxford from 1516 to 1529 and a bailiff in 1516-26.⁵⁸

In 1517/18 the Corpus Christi College building account notes that the timber work of the library is to be made by Robert Carow, carpenter, 'according to a platt made by Humfrey Cooke'.⁵⁹ He was to find the timber and was to make a board floor, a roof with lead boards to bear lead and joisted to carry a ceiling, doors, windows, partitions and stairs; he was to receive £44 in all with £10 when the document was sealed. Carow gave an estimate for the work saying: 'the lyberary is in length xx yerdis ij footis and the rooff in compass ix yardis on foote; the summe of yardis ix^{xxii} xij yardis ij foote atte xvjd the yard—xij li. xvijs iiijd'.⁶⁰ There are several references to contracts made by Robert Carow, but this estimate proves that he worked in a business-like manner and is the only one of its kind so far known in the Oxford archives.

He is mentioned as bailiff in the Oriel accounts of 1518/19 and in the same year trimmed wood for a new bay window erected by him for the Provost's Lodge at the Queen's College (26s. 8d.). In 1519/20 Oriel paid him 6s. 8d. 'per modum composicionum' and Lincoln College bought two pieces of timber from him (8d.). In 1520/1 he was building the chapel of St. Mary (now called Adam de Brome's chapel) in St. Mary-the-Virgin for Oriel College (£7 3s., 'pro edificacione sacelle beate Marie'). On 8 December 1524 there is a reference to a tenement in St. Peter's in the East, lately in the hands of Robert Carowe. This was Ram Alley and is now 80 High Street.⁶¹ He was perhaps

⁵⁶ *Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 321-2.

⁵⁷ *Oriel Record*, April 1946. The roof is described and illustrated by W. A. Pantin in *Oxoniensia*, vii (1942), 84, 89 f.

⁵⁸ Harvey, *Building Works*, 54.

⁶⁰ Streeter, *Chained Lib.*, 152.

⁵⁹ Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 573.

⁶¹ *Cart. St. John*, i, 191.

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living there at the Lay Subsidy of 1524, when he paid 5s. and his two servants, James Lynche and Richard Sclatter, 2s. and 4d. respectively.⁶²

1524/5 was a busy year; Mr. Carro received £3 6s. 8d. in complete payment for a new building in the Founder's tower at Magdalen, was paid 46s. 8d. by Oriel College for work at St. Bartholomew's, made some new steps for the Warden's lodge at New College and in particular became warden of the carpenters under Humphrey Coke at Cardinal College and was responsible probably for much of the work on the hall roof. He was paid for 2 days work at Cumnor Wood, the Shawe and Cuddesdon choosing wood, and at another time worked for 7 days at 6d.⁶³ On 19 September 1525 he sent in a bill for repairs to the South (Folly) Bridge in Oxford.⁶⁴ His work at St. Bartholomew's had been the ceiling of the roof of the chapel, which he completed in 1525/6 (£1).

He continued to work at Cardinal College in 1528/9 and prepared 11,250 boards and stored them at the Almshouse and Gloucester College at 12d. a hundred (112s. 6d.).⁶⁵ In 1529 he signed a petition presented by various townsmen to stop quarrels between the town and the university and showed a literacy already suggested by the estimate given for the Corpus roof.⁶⁶

He died after a long illness c. April 1531 and an inventory of his property made at that time gives a good idea of the possessions of a carpenter. The instruments of his trade included 5 chisels, a compass and two augers, a gouge, an old chipping axe, 2 drawing planes, 13 small planes, 2 adzes, a hand saw, a drawer and 7 small planes, a square, a hammer, a 'wymbell', 4 boxes, 2 prickers, a knife and a compass. The other items are chiefly of a domestic character. He had probably lived in his last years in a tenement of St. Frideswide's and was buried in Our Lady's chapel in St. Peter's church.

The first noteworthy work by Robert Carow of which there is visual record was an exceptionally fine louvre made for All Souls College hall in 1501/2, which Loggan shows to have been octagonal, with battlements, and surmounted by a flag vane, and which was destroyed with the hall in 1729. His next important work was in Tackley's Inn, also called Buckley Hall, for Oriel College in 1512-14, where he perhaps constructed the roof. W. A. Pantin has described the roof of the hall in detail and illustrated it,⁶⁷ but says that it is of a conservative fifteenth century type, and other authorities support this view.⁶⁸

⁶² *Oxf. City Docs.*, 69.

⁶³ J. H. Harvey and J. G. Milne, 'The Building of Cardinal College', *Oxoniensia*, VIII/IX (1943-4),

⁶⁴ W. H. Turner, *Records of the City of Oxford*, 54.

⁶⁵ J. Gutch, *Collectanea Curiosa*, 207.

⁶⁶ W. H. Turner, *op. cit.* in note 64, pp. 54, 64.

⁶⁷ W. A. Pantin, *Oriel Record*, June 1941, 148-9; *Oxoniensia*, VI: (1942), 84, 89.

⁶⁸ Royal Commission on Historical Monuments, *Oxford City* (1939), 164-5 (where it is actually ascribed to the fifteenth century).

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It has 'collar beam trusses and moulded braces forming two-centred arches ; there are curved wind braces'. However the college records would appear to prove that Carow framed it, for the reference to his work is the only one in the period after 1451, other than some repairs in 1480/1.

The roofs over the halls at Corpus Christi (PL. x) and Christ Church (PL. xi) and possibly that now in Brasenose chapel, above the plaster vault, brought there from St. Mary's College, all probably designed by Humphrey Coke, but mainly constructed by Robert Carow, were of the hammer beam type and the finest in Oxford. It is not known what the new building fitted into the Founder's tower at Magdalen in 1524/5 was, and the staircase in the Warden's lodge at New College has been replaced by a seventeenth century one. The ceiling in St. Bartholomew's chapel at Cowley still remains however and, like that at Tackley's Inn, is of a fifteenth century type, with chamfered tie beams, curved braces, purlins and rafters and a moulded and embattled wall plate,

It appears that when Carow was responsible for the design he used older models, and that it is only when working in conjunction with Coke that he constructed roofs of an advanced design. Much of the timberwork made by him, of a more unobtrusive type, exists in the tower and other buildings at Magdalen College.

O. THOMAS WALSH, *carpenter*, 1495-1506

Thomas Walshe worked only at Magdalen College, but he did such a volume of jobs there that he may have had a contract. In 1495/6 he worked on a well in the kitchen garden for three days (18d.), repaired a door from the cloister to the orchard (6d.) and a big bridge in the meadow (4s.) and made a wheel barrow (12d.). He worked on studies (2½ days at 5d.) and in company with John Miles he made windows and other fittings for Dr. Goff's room (12d.) and three pairs of rails for chamber stairs (3s.).

He worked for 1½ days on a clock housing in St. John's chapel (9d.) in 1496/7, made two beds for the almshouse, mended hall fittings, did jobs in the pantry, fitted shelves in the kitchen, stopped up holes in stairs and repaired some beds (3s.). Thomas Walshe also put up various signs of the cross in different places (9d.) and made 4 studs for them (6d.) and repaired various screens (1y parclose) and more beds (25½d.).

In 1498/9 Walshe cut wood (3s.), supplied 8 studs (16d.), made 3 doors (5s.), was paid for 18 studs and repaired a door by the stable (2s. 3½d.) ; he also made 100 planks for beds. He and a servant made two screens in St. John's chapel in 1502/3 (9s. 2d.) and in 1503/4 worked with Robert Carow on the new tower (12d.) and repaired various rooms. In 1504/5 he made a desk for the chapel (12d.) and a cradle for men who were whitewashing the chapel, made a

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chest for the pantry and a cupboard for the kitchen (1s. 6d.) and repaired many rooms (7s.) and the pump (6d.). He was working on desks in the chapel (12d.) in 1505/6, repaired trestles and forms in the hall, mended desks and forms and a window in the music school, made racks and repaired a wall between the kitchen and the music school (2s.), made a bin for the President's lodge, repaired windows in the barber's room, made a cover for the clock in the new tower (18d.) and did much work in rooms.

P. HUMPHREY COKE, *master carpenter, 1496-1531*

Humphrey Coke, master carpenter of Corpus Christi and Cardinal Colleges was a London man and is first mentioned on 16 March 1496, when he was member of a commission to impress craftsmen for defensive work on the Scottish border.⁶⁹ On 23 November 1499 he was appointed master carpenter of Berwick-on-Tweed,⁷⁰ and between 1506 and 1510 was Warden of the carpenter's company in London,⁷¹ having become a freeman of the company in 1504.⁷² In 1509 he was keeper of Durham Place, bailiff of Durham rents in Middlesex and master of the bridge house.⁷³ In 1510/11 he was paid £12 6s. 8d. for various unspecified duties and 6s. 8d. for drawing a plan for Eton College cloister, the erection of which was completed by 1513/14, when he was paid £13 6s. 8d. for his work.⁷⁴

By 1512 he had become master carpenter at the building of Corpus Christi College at Oxford at a rate of 1s. 8d. a day and in that year he and the master masons, William Vertue and William East, were assaulted by two men who were probably encouraged by two fellows of Brasenose Hall. Brasenose College was being built at the same time perhaps by local craftsmen who objected to the 'foreigners' from London in charge at the rival college. The Corpus Christi College building accounts recorded in 1517/18 that Robert Carow was to make the timber work of the library according to a design drawn by Humphrey Coke⁷⁵ and, in 1517 also, the latter contracted with Roger Morwent to make a bench for the Master's parlour 18 feet long, to panel between the windows, to make two doorways, one in the parlour and one in the room above, two cupboards one above the other, 5 feet high and 20 inches broad, to ceil the parlour roof, to make a door at the bottom of the stairs; the college was to find the material and he was to have £5 for his work.⁷⁶ He continued as master carpenter here until 1518 and designed the roof of the hall and probably also the roof of St. Mary's College, Oxford.⁷⁷

⁶⁹ Calendar of Letters Patent 1494/1509, 53.

⁷⁰ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 30.

⁷¹ *Id.*, *Gothic Engl.*, 136.

⁷² *I.e.* in note 70.

⁷³ *Ibid.*

⁷⁴ Willis and Clark, *Architectural History of the University of Cambridge*, I, 145.

⁷⁵ Harvey, *Med. Off. Works*, 61.

⁷⁶ Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 572-3.

⁷⁷ Harvey, *Med. Off. Works*, 57-8.

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He was still master carpenter at Berwick in 1515, when his wages there were 12d. a day.⁷⁸ In 1516/17 he designed woodwork for buildings on the W. of the cloister court and Lupton's tower at Eton,⁷⁹ and was associated with William Vertue and Henry Redman.⁸⁰ In 1517 he was dealing with impressment money,⁸¹ and on the death of Richard Russell became Wolsey's carpenter and was chief carpenter at the Savoy Hospital.⁸²

In 1519 he was appointed the King's chief carpenter at 12d. a day,⁸³ and again became Warden of the carpenters company.⁸⁴ In 1520 imprest money to the value of £30 was delivered to him,⁸⁵ and he and William Vertue prepared for the Field of the Cloth of Gold.⁸⁶ In 1522 he was still keeper of the Bishop of Durham's rents in the Strand.⁸⁷ George Lawson succeeded him as master carpenter at Berwick in 1524.⁸⁸ He was master carpenter at Cardinal College from 1526-9 and a letter of 29 December 1526 commends his diligence.⁸⁹ The great roof of the hall (PL. XI) was probably designed by him, but it is so singular that there is only one reference to him as working at Cardinal College, that one may suppose that Robert Carow really did most of the work there.

In 1526 he received wages of £18 5s. as a member of the Royal Household.⁹⁰ He died on 18 March 1531 and was buried in the Savoy Chapel,⁹¹ and on 24 March James Needham was appointed to succeed him.⁹² His will has been printed by John Harvey⁹³ and mentions his eldest son Roger, who was a leading carpenter at York Place in 1515 at 7d. a day,⁹⁴ and his daughter Christine who married John Russell, son of Richard Russell, Wolsey's carpenter until his death in 1517, and chief carpenter to the King in 1532.

The hammer-beam roofs designed by Humphrey Coke are perhaps the best wooden ones at Oxford. That over Corpus Christi hall (PL. X) is very fine; its wall pieces rest on corbels almost all sculptured with 'est deo gratia' and two of them have 'Sancti Swithini' and the arms of Winchester impaling Foxe. Under the outer ends of the hammer beams are richly carved pendants of tabernacle type and above the wall plate, at the level of the hammer beams, is a cornice of shields and quatrefoils. It is a simpler form of the one (PL. XI) built by Humphrey Coke and Robert Carow at Cardinal College and the main

⁷⁸ Letters and Papers of Henry VIII, II, pt. ii, no. 973.

⁷⁹ Knoop and Jones, 'The 16th century mason,' *Ars Quatuor Coronati* (1937).

⁸⁰ Willis and Clark, *Architectural History of the University of Cambridge*, I, 418.

⁸¹ Letters and Papers of Henry VIII, II, pt. ii, no. 3862.

⁸² Harvey, *Gothic Engl.*, 136.

⁸³ Letters and Papers of Henry VIII, III, pt. i, no. 458, p. 162.

⁸⁴ Harvey, *Gothic Engl.*, 136.

⁸⁵ Harvey, *l.c.* in note 84.

⁸⁶ L. and P. Henry VIII, IV, pt. i, grant 296, no. 24.

⁸⁷ L. and P. Henry VIII, IV, pt. i, 869.

⁸⁸ L. and P. Henry VIII, V, 220 (20).

⁸⁹ Harvey, *Building Works*, 51.

⁹⁰ L. and P. Henry VIII, III, pt. i, no. 826.

⁹¹ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 30.

⁹² L. and P. Henry VIII, IV, no. 2734.

⁹³ Harvey, *Carpenters*, 31.

⁹⁴ Harvey, *Gothic Engl.*, 186-7.

constructional details are the same, but this roof is steeper pitched and has true wind braces instead of four-centred arches placed longitudinally between the outer ends of the hammer beams. The roof at Cardinal College is dated 1529 in two places, was designed by Humphrey Coke and constructed by Robert Carow and carved by W. Okay.⁹⁵ It was built by contract and the final cost is not known but £102 3s. 4d. was spent in 1528 for carving it.⁹⁶ It has a span of almost 40 feet and its peculiar features are perhaps the four-centred arches which connect the trusses at the end of the hammer beams, such as are seen in Hugh Herland's great roof at Westminster Hall, erected over 100 years before.

Q. JAMES LYNCH, *carpenter*, 1504-25

James Lynche was servant to the master carpenter Robert Carow so it is therefore to be expected that much of his work was done at Magdalen College. In 1504/5 James the servant of Carow worked for 4 days at 6d. on the new stable and in 1505/6 he and another of Carow's servants cut wood for planks (4s.), and he worked on the clock for 2½ days (15d.) and repaired a room (3s. 3d.). He made a movable bed and a 'pixidium' in 1507/8 (2s. 6d.), and in 1509/10 he fixed up parchment tables in the chapel (8d.), repaired a door in the President's lodge (6d.), put up window frames in the President's room (3d.), worked on a cupboard in the pantry, spent 7 days making tables and doors for the kitchen (2s. 11d.) and mended rails in the stable. James Lynche also made a bed for the Vice-President's room and fitted boards in various rooms.

He made a latrine (foricas) at Magdalen (5s. 6d.) in 1512/13 and in 1515/16 he and John Philipps repaired the stable (18d.) and repaired a door near the main gate (4½ days at 6d.). James Lynche made palings for Oxford property belonging to Merton College in 1521/2, and in 1522/3 he and John Philipps squared wood and sawed 300 oak planks for making studies at New College (3s.). In 1524/5 he made a bookshelf for the N. chapel in Merton College chapel (2s. 3d.). He was still Robert Carow's servant at the Lay Subsidy of 1524, when he paid 4d.,⁹⁷ and Carow owed him 3s. 6d. in wages at his death.

R. JOHN PHILIPPS, *carpenter*, 1505-25

John Philipps was a carpenter who seems to have had a permanent connexion perhaps in the form of a contract with New College, for he was employed consistently from 1505 until 1524 on their work in and out of Oxford. He was working busily at New College in 1505/6; in the kitchen he made a new table and cut and shaped wood for 10d. and mended two chests in which the

⁹⁵ W. A. Hiscock, *A Christ Church Miscellany*, 199.

⁹⁶ Harvey, *Building Works*, 55.

⁹⁷ *Oxf. City Docs.*, 69.

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plates were kept. He laid planks in the new library for one day (6d.), repaired a cupboard and made a 'pentyss' in the Warden's house (6d.). The door of Mr. Wyllys study was repaired and a window made by him ($1\frac{1}{2}$ days, $7\frac{1}{2}$ d.); he made a setting for the clock in the bell tower and a door for a room at the E. end of the kitchen, and he fixed into position a lock made by George Smyth for the outer door of the garden. He made and fitted three doors for the muniment tower, and one for the Warden's tower; the book carrier's room had a new window, while a study in the tower was repaired ($3\frac{1}{2}$ days at 6d.). In the same year he and his man spent 5 days cutting timber and he repaired another study.

In 1509/10 he is only mentioned as repairing a bed. John Philipps next appears in 1511/12 when he made seats for the choir boys for three days (12d.). He spent two days repairing forms and trestles (12d.) and later he and his man were paid 3s. for 6 days work in the cook's room and the kitchen, on the door of the cellar and a chest in the nave of the chapel. He also made palings by the kitchen door and other palings in the garden. In 1515/16 he and James Lynche repaired Magdalen College stable (18d.) and made a door near the main gate (4s. 6d.). No further work by him is recorded at New College until 1518/19, when he was paid 3s. 9d. for $5\frac{1}{2}$ days work 'pro planacione et factura sex chalorum'. He then supplied two planks for a drain and made holes to fix them (6d.). He repaired fittings in the stable, fixed a table 'in cursaria ubi reponient rotuli', repaired a bed and made candlesticks (5 days at 6d.). Next he spent 8 days making a doorway leading to the well and 11 days on fittings in the chapel and vestry (5s. 6d.). He was at Godstow with Richard Stawnton, tiler, supervising the building of a house and helped Wastell, another carpenter, with its roof.

In 1522/3 he worked for four days making a case for the organ, for $7\frac{1}{2}$ days removing the matins bell, and for three days on the tower windows, always at 6d. a day and he was paid 12d. for planks. John Philipps provided 8 feet of oak and made a book-shelf in the Warden's room ($3\frac{1}{2}$ days, 21d.). He also provided planks with which he repaired the Warden's stairs and then made railings (10d.) for the hall. Next he was squaring wood with Lynche, Carow's servant, and sawed 300 oak planks with him in 3 days (3s.). He repaired windows in Mr. Sebone's study and put a post under a gate near St. Peter's church. In 1524/5 he made a new chair for the Warden's use in chapel (6d.), an altar table for a new chapel (3 days at 6d.) and repaired a study. He worked for 7 days (3s. 9d.) making the steps of an altar in the N. chapel, provided oak planks and repaired other steps. The last job which John Philipps seems to have performed was to roof a house at Headington in the same year. In this year he was living in St. Peter's in the East and paid 12d. at the

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Lay Subsidy.⁹⁸ He may have been related to a carpenter of the same name who worked for New College from 1476 to 1480.

S. RICHARD PYTFYN, *sawyer*, 1505-30

Richard Pytfyn was the most noteworthy sawyer working in Oxford in the early sixteenth century and, while doing little carpentry himself, prepared wood for most of the important carpenters of the period. He was working at Lincoln College as early as 1505/6 and in 1506/7 he made some railings there (3 days at 6d.) and sawed planks and groundsels (11 days, 5s. 6d.). In 1507/8 he was working at the erection of chambers between St. John's chapel and the new tower at Magdalen and in the next year sawed planks for other rooms being built to the E. of the tower. In 1508/9 also he made rafters and principals for Lincoln College and worked at Long Combe.

He prepared planks at Magdalen in 1509/10 (6s. 6d.) and then there is a gap in his career until 1516/17 when he sawed boards for the same college (18s. 6d.). He made wainscot for Magdalen in 1518/19 (18d.) and with a mate sawed wood (8 days at 6d.) and made 20 'scodes' for a new roof being fitted to Whaddon church chancel for New College (3s. 4d.). Pytfyn was sawing wood at Lincoln College in 1520/1 but by far the greatest amount of his work was at Magdalen. He prepared wood for the panelling (12d.), two doors (9d.) and waynscot (14d.) for the hall and sawed 270 feet of wood for the carver working there (3s. 9d.). He spent two periods preparing timber for the President's lodge extension (8s. and 15s.). The second payment includes his work with two servants sawing over 374 feet of wood and making rafters and braces. He made 'quaterbord' and sawed wood for steps to the cook's room, chopped wood for fuel and sawed rafters for a rectory at Horsepath.

In 1521 he worked in Studley Wood and in Magdalen College and prepared a very large amount of wainscot and 'battelys' and 'Kerses' for the President's lodge. He cut up wood at Tingewick for New College (47s. 8d.) in 1522/3 and in 1523 he and his servant sawed timber for Merton College (15 days at 12d.). At the Lay Subsidy of 1524 he was living in St. Mary Magdalen parish and paid 2s.⁹⁹ He made planks for a Magdalen chamber in 1525/6 (5s. 5d.) and shaped wood for a mould for the Easter candle, and in 1526/7 sawed groundsels and rails for new stalls for St. John's chapel (8s.), and prepared timber for the store. In 1529/30 he made planks for a bridge at Magdalen.

T. CORNELIUS CLERKE, *carpenter*, 1506-26

Cornelius Clerke was one of the more important Oxford carpenters in the early sixteenth century and was also known as Cornelius Carpenter, Cornell Clerke and Cornell during his working career.

⁹⁸ *I.e.* in note 97.

⁹⁹ *Oxf. City Docs.*, 68.

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Cornelius made 4 lattices for windows in Magdalen chapel tower (the muniment tower) in 1506/7, made holes in St. John's chapel (1½ days, 9d.), made a lattice for the President's buttery (8d.), one for the President's staircase, (11d.), worked on racks in the stable, made a paling in the President's garden (3 days, 18d.), repaired bell wheels (2½ days, 15d.), and mended windows (12d.) On 29 September 1507 he lived in a tenement belonging to St. John's Hospital inside the E. gate.¹⁰⁰ In 1507/8 he worked on windows in the vestry at Magdalen (5d.), made a lattice for a window near the buttery (11d.), worked on the President's buttery and garden, made a cupboard (3s. 4d.) and a lattice for the lower kitchen (16d.), repaired rooms (3s. 11d.) and was engaged on the building of chambers between the new tower and St. John's chapel. He was dwelling in another house belonging to St. John's Hospital in St. Peter's in the East in 1516.¹⁰¹

In March 1517 an agreement is entered in the Corpus Christi College accounts as follows: 'Memorandum convenawnted and agreed wyth Cornell Clerke ffor the makynge off the dextis in the libery to the summe off xvj and after the manner and forme as they be in Magdaleyn College, except the popie heedis off the seitis. Thes to be workmanly wrowght and clenly and we to have all maner off stoof ffond hyme and to have ffor the makynge off on dexte xs, the some of the hole viij li.'¹⁰² This is the first contract for Cornelius noted in college accounts.

In 1520/1 Cornelius repaired the tower door at Magdalen (8d.), his servants made a dressing board for the kitchen and they made an 'area' in a room (5s. 3d.). The chief work at Magdalen during this period was the erection of an extension to the President's lodge for which Cornelius was chief carpenter in 1520/1. At first he was preparing the fabric of the building but later he made the staircase and his servants made stair rails and fitted 'drawing boards' above a window. He and his men worked for about 70 days and earned £4 17s. 11½d. This extension later known as the Gallery or Election chamber was pulled down in 1770.

He was living in a house belonging to St. John's Hospital in St. Peter's in the East in 1521.¹⁰³ It appears that each of the houses mentioned was a different one as each time he is the in-going tenant. In 1521/2 he mended chapel vessels at Magdalen and in 1524, as Cornelius Clerck, paid 4d. Lay Subsidy and lived in the parish of St. Peter's in the East.¹⁰⁴ Cornelius made a hand-rail for some Magdalen chamber stairs in 1525/6 (8d.).

The library desks at Corpus still exist in an altered form, with the ball

¹⁰⁰ *Cart. St. John*, III, 289.

¹⁰² *Streeter, Chained Lib.*, 150.

¹⁰⁴ *Oxf. City Docs.*, 70.

¹⁰¹ *Ibid.*, 293.

¹⁰³ *Cart. St. John*, III, 298.

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finials to the seats, so carefully stipulated instead of popey heads, a concession to the dawning of classical influence.

U. WILLIAM CAXTON, *carpenter*, 1511-30

William Caxton did most of his work at Magdalen, where he is first mentioned as making a movable bed in 1511/12, and he supplied a rope for the clock (11d.) in 1518/19. In 1520/1 he and his servant repaired benches in the hall (2 days, 20d.), made a paling by the garden entrance (3s. 9d.) and in the orchard he and two servants made a sluice by the mill (6s. 9d.). He supplied a rope for the second bell (2s.), cut down 12 elms and sawed them up, worked with his servant in Mr. Hedge's room (10d.) and made 4 beds (one truckle bed (15d.) two standing ones (4s. 6d.) and one not described (3s. 6d.). He made wheelbarrows, stairs to the cook's room (3s.), a trap 'et forcibus' for a room and repaired another room. He and two servants took down the old gallery (18d.) and he sawed wood for the new extension of the President's lodge (3s.). He worked for two days sawing 'ly nistys et lede lathys' for the hall (9s. 9d.), supplied 12 fathom of ropes (4d.) and his servants worked on the Grammar Hall. He and his servants also repaired Horsepath rectory.

In 1521/2 Caxton mended a gutter at Horsepath (1½ days, 9d.), made a door for the college promptuary (6d.), fixed and strengthened joists in the new building (the Gallery), did planking work in the stable (5d.), prepared firewood and timber from Studley for the store, supplied a bell rope (17 pounds at 2d.), made a railing by the meadow gate (6d.), mended the side of a ladder and various rooms (9s. 9d.) and worked on the E. gate of the town (2s. 6d.).

William Caxton made a door in the President's lodge in 1524/5 (2s.), repaired a bridge in the E. part of the garden (18d.), made a paling in the moat, sawed planks for the store and repaired various rooms and beds (12s. 5d.). He also mended the great W. gate (3d.) and worked on the new extension to the President's lodge, supplying ropes for lifting stones, and wood for beams and he sawed wood (34s. 6d.). He prepared planks for a bridge at the end of the Walks worked in St. John's Wood and supplied ridge trees (duobus rygtres). He provided timber for repairs in Oriel College (5s. 8d.) in 1524/5 also, and he and his servant built a larder there (1s. 11d.).

In 1525/6 he and his servant squared elms at Magdalen (5½ days, 5s.) and made fittings for chapel altars (10d.). He supplied ropes for the second and tenor bells, repaired the ceiling in St. John's chapel (3d.), mended tables and benches in the hall (20d.), made a table and bench for the pantry, repaired a door, seat and small table, fitted a new door in the exchequer (scaccarium) (8d.) and repaired benches in the library (10d.). He made a cupboard door in the kitchen (2d.), put up railings to prevent the horses coming into the

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garden (18d.) and constructed a bridge in the meadow, with the help of two of his apprentices. He repaired various rooms and beds (16s. 7d.) and another bridge leading to the field and a gate near it (6d.). Caxton and two others cut up wood for carting, for Oriel (3s. 9d.), in the same year and worked in a room there (1s.).

He supplied a rope for drawing and withdrawing hangings of the high altar of Magdalen chapel in 1526/7 (4s.), provided 6 pieces of wood bought in All Saints parish, for new stalls for St. John's chapel (10s. 9d.), worked in the President's lodge (2 days at 6d. plus servants, 22d.), repaired the stable 2s. 1½d.), prepared wood for the store, made wheelbarrows (2s.) and sawed and squared much timber (9s. 3d.). He made 'uno ly dray' (12d.), a pentice in the clerks' cloister (10d.), worked in the 'ludus preceptorum' (5d.), made racks (5d.) and repaired the fuel house (4s. 6d.). He worked in the doctors' garden, on rooms, on the small orchard gate and repaired a lamp (21½d.).

William Caxton sawed wood for Lincoln College in 1527/8 and worked at Iffley and Long Combe, and in 1528/9 he was again repairing Lincoln College property at Iffley. In 1529/30 he cut down trees at Tubney for Magdalen and his servant made a door for the college storehouse (2s. 9d.). He did work in the President's lodge and received 9s. 9d. for various jobs. He and Wotton built a house by agreement (£3), and he sawed wood, mended gratings and repaired the bridges. He and Wotton built a room above the kitchen (27s. 4d.) and another house and he made 9 desks at the back of the President's seat in the chapel. He prepared much wood, made a door and worked in a new room (12d.), received 6s. 10d. for two bell ropes and did various jobs in the bell tower (9s. 9d.).

He and two others were working for Lincoln College in this year and he also prepared wood for New College. It is interesting to note that William Caxton, while an active carpenter, was also a dealer in rope.

V. ROBERT BOYS, *carpenter*, 1511-14

Robert Boys worked in the President's kitchen at Magdalen in 1511/12 (18d.), made a frame for the clock (wache) (with another man, 12 days, 7s. 11d.), he and others worked in the stable (3 days, 3s.) and he received 2s. 6d. for various jobs. In 1512/13 he repaired tables in the hall (1½ days at 9d. a day), put up sticks for vines in the President's garden and repaired the kitchen door and pantry (3 days, 2s. 6d.). He made 3 lattices 10 feet square at 2½d. a foot (2s. 1d.). Boys and two servants put the weight on the clock (3 days, 2s. 9d.) and with a boy he removed it from the upper chamber of the tower to a lower one (2½ days at 10d.); he and his servant worked in the kitchen and in Mr. Elston's room.

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He repaired forms in St. John's chapel in 1513/14 and with his servant made a paling for the hall (4 days, 4s.). He removed fittings from the upper room of the bell tower, made 3 beds and repaired belfry windows (9½ days at 5d.). He made a movable bed, repaired the kitchen, constructed a ladder and some hall trestles and worked on the kitchen well (2s. 4d.). Apart from making a pump his other work at Magdalen was concerned with chambers. In this year also he worked at the White Hart, an inn belonging to Lincoln College, and made some beams. In 1511 he was living in a house in St. Peter's in the East belonging to St. John's Hospital.¹⁰⁵

W. ROBERT CLARKE, *carver*, 1516-21

Robert Clarke must have been an important figure in Oxford and it is a pity that not more is known of him. In 1516/17 he received 4d. as earnest for making presses for the Queen's College library. For these he charged 40s., plus 33½d. for glue and nails, locks, hinges and rings, and 2s. 6d. for fitting these to the presses. He also prepared timber (8d.) and made two chests for the chapel (7s.).

In 1518/19 300 planks were carried from his house to New College for a new roof being fitted over Whaddon church chancel and he made wainscot, carved knots and flowers (5s. 4d.), supplied glue (4d.) and received 36s. 8d. in part payment. He was engaged by Magdalen in 1520/1 and was in charge of fitting a great deal of woodwork in the hall; there is no specific reference to its character, but it seems possible that the first panelling was now installed. Robert did carving work at 8d. a day for 67 days over about 14 weeks, with his three servants, Hugh, Giles and John. Large quantities of wood were prepared and various items were bought for the work including large quantities of glue and tacket nails and two pounds of black colouring (16d.). The work cost in all £8 os. 2½d. and would appear to have been wainscoting or screen work, for so much glue could hardly have been used in a roof and the ceiling had only been completed in 1518/19.

He was perhaps a relative of Cornelius Clerke, carpenter, for at the Lay Subsidy of 1524 Robert Clerck paid 4d., when living in the parish of St. Peter in the East, and his name occurs immediately in front of that of Cornelius.¹⁰⁶ If this is so the Queen's College presses and those of Corpus Christi College may have come from the same workshop.

X. THOMAS CAXTON, *sawyer*, 1520-30

Thomas Caxton sawed 200 feet of timber for carvers constructing panelling in Magdalen hall in 1520/1 (2s.), prepared other timber (1s. 5d.), and with a

¹⁰⁵ *Cart. St. John*, 293.

¹⁰⁶ *Oxf. City Docs.*, 70.

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mate sawed wood for the extension to the President's lodge (5½ days, 6s. 6d.). In 1521/2 he and a servant prepared wood for new chapel stalls (12d.) and for room repairs (2s.) at the same college. He was at work at Cardinal College in 1524/5¹⁰⁷ and in 1525/6 he and his servant sawed wood for the store at¹⁰⁷ Magdalen and prepared oak boards and planks for a new bridge in the meadow. He and another sawed wood for new stalls for St. John's chapel (3½ days at 6d. and 400 feet, 4s.), he prepared some studs in 1526/7 and in 1529/30 he received 3s. 4d. 'pro ly slytting of walle platts, gysers and wyndbemys and overcuppyl apud Hedyngton'.

Y. JOHN DE COLONIA, *carpenter*, 1521-5

John de Colonia was most probably a German craftsman from Cologne and first appears in 1521/2 when he made new stalls for Magdalen College chapel, assisted by three servants. He worked for 19 days (40s.) and supplied 12d. worth of glue. There were 22 stalls in all, with canopies and panelled backs,¹⁰⁸ and misericords (PL. XII); the panels were painted with figures of saints in Frewen's time. During the drastic restorations of 1831/2 Cottingham removed all the old timber except the seats, because it did not fit in with the new woodwork, and Aymer Vallance gives a good account of its dispersal.¹⁰⁹ John de Colonia also made 89 yards of ceiling at 10d. a yard (£3 16s. 8d. plus glue 3s. 4d.). This was probably fixed to the under side of the chapel roof. He and two servants repaired various chests and made 5 tables with trestles for chambers (20d.). He worked on the new extension to the President's lodge for 18 days at 8d., usually with two servants, received 8d. for green paper for a new 'abacus' and 8d. for sawing wainscot for it, made a wardrobe (vestiarum) in Dr. Byshopp's room (2s.) and worked for 2 days in another room (2s. 8d.).

In 1524/5 his servants worked for two days on a door to keep out those coming to the buttery for wine (2s. 3d.) and he was paid for planks. In 1523 he was living in a house in St. Peter's in the East, belonging to St. John's Hospital, and which previously had been inhabited by Robert Carow and Robert Pannett, mason, and he lived there as late as 1526.¹¹⁰

Z. JOHN SKOWTE, *carver*, 1525-7

John Skowte made a mould to cast the Easter candle for Magdalen College according to an agreement in 1525-6 (13s. 4d.), and carved the foot of the candlestick standing in the choir (16 days at 8d. plus servant, 17s. 6d.). He

¹⁰⁷ J. H. Harvey and J. G. Milne, *op. cit.* in note 63, 142.

¹⁰⁸ Bloxam, *Magdalen Register*, II, viii.

¹⁰⁹ Aymer Vallance, *The Old Colleges of Oxford*, 52-3.

¹¹⁰ *Cart. St. John*, I, 308; III, 298.

also made a mould to produce flowers (10d.) and repaired windows in a chamber (2 days, 16d.). In 1526/7 he made 12 'ly stousis' (4s.), repaired stalls in the chapel for a day or more, made two more 'ly stousis' (16d.) and 'ly judas' (4d.) and repaired desks. With many assistants he worked for 10 weeks at 8d. a day making new stalls for St. John's chapel which cost £7 10s. 8d., and John received an additional 2s. 8d. for carving 4 popey heads according to an agreement. He supplied 200 feet of planks, at 8s. a hundred feet, for desks and 12 feet at 2d. He also sawed wood for the store, worked in various rooms and always at 8d. a day. He worked on a new organ for one day, made leads for the President's upper room, each window leaded costing 16d. (16s.), constructed a chair (2s. 8d.) a bed (16d.) and a new bed for the President. In 1529/30 John Showt made a new organ for Magdalen and is noted by a writer on the organ as a London man and possibly a German.¹¹¹ It is possible that John de Colonia and John Skowte were one and the same man.

APPENDIX I

CARPENTERS EMPLOYED BY COLLEGES, LISTED IN
CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER⁽¹¹²⁾

The capital letter in brackets after a name indicates the position of the carpenter's biography above (pp. 00-00).

The dates given for each entry indicate the inclusive dates when the carpenter in question is known to have worked for the college.

ALL SOULS COLLEGE¹¹³

- I. BRANCHE, JOHN [G.]. 1437-43. Master carpenter.
- II. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1437-40. Carpenter of Croydon; given 12d. expenses in 4th wk. of May 1437, when he went with John Druell to see wood at Eynsham. In 1438/9 worked in 5th wk. of Jan. for 2s. 6d. and received 3s. for a wk. in May. Appeared again in next year and given 20d. as reward in 5th wk. of Oct. Working in the college in 3rd wk. of Nov. and then apparently does not appear again. Possibly warden of the carpenters under John Branche (only justification for statement being that he worked more than the other carpenters named).
- III. APPRENTICE TO JOHN BRANCHE. 1438/9. (See under John Branche.)
- IV. NICHOLL, JOHN. 1438/9. Carpenter; worked in 5th wk. of Jan. (2s. 6d.).

¹¹¹ Edward J. Hopkins, *The Organ, etc.* (London, 1855).

¹¹² The colleges included in this list are: All Souls (p. 144), Cardinal (p. 148), Lincoln (p. 149), Magdalen (p. 152), Merton (p. 159), New College (p. 164), Oriel (p. 167), Queens (p. 169).

¹¹³ Nos. 1-XX worked at the initial building of the college.

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- V. SAWYERE, WALTER. 1438/9. Sawyer; two sawyers worked from the beginning but Walter Sawyere is first mentioned in 4th wk. of Nov. and cut 200 ft. of wood (2s. 8d.). In 1st wk. of Dec. sawed 400 ft. (5s. 4d.), in next wk. 200 ft. (2s. 8d.) and in 3rd wk. 400 ft. of planks and 100 ft. of timber (6s. 4d.).
- VI. LYONS, ROBERT. 1439/40. Carpenter; received 6d. at Christmas as expenses for a journey.
- VII. PAILL, JOHN. 1439/40. Carpenter; worked in 4th wk. of Jan. (6 days at 5d.).
- VIII. BATE, WILLIAM. 1439-41. Joiner; worked for 6 days at 6d. in 1st wk. of Aug., for 2 wks. in Mar. and then some wks. from July to Oct., often with William Kyrkeby and always at 6d. a day.
- IX. CAWDRY, RICHARD. 1439-41. Carver; came to the college in Richard Tyllok's absence for 2 wks. of Oct. and 1 of Nov. 1439/40 and had as many as four men. In 1440/1 was at Oxford in 1st wk. of Jan., 4 wks. of Mar. and 2 of April. His rate was 3s. 4d. a wk.
- X. TYLLOCK, RICHARD [H]. 1439-41. Carver.
- XI. JOYNOR, GILES [E]. 1439-42. Joiner.
- XII. MEDE, WILLIAM. 1439-42. Carpenter; worked for 2 days at 6d. in 1st wk. of May 1439/40 and 5 days at 5d. in 1441/2.
- XIII. BARBOR, JOHN. 1440/1. Joiner; worked for 5 days at 6d. in 4th wk. of Aug. and 1 day of 3rd wk. of Sept.
- XIV. HOBBS, JOHN. 1440/1. Joiner; worked for 5 days at 6d. in 2nd wk. of Aug.
- XV. KYRKEBY, JOHN. 1440/1. Joiner; worked in Sept. and Oct. Perhaps brother of William.
- XVI. KYRKEBY, WILLIAM. 1440/1. Joiner; worked for some wks. from July to Sept., usually at 3s. 4d. a wk., including his boy's wages.
- XVII. MAYNE, JOHN. 1440/1. Carver; paid 7s. 6d. for 15 wks. work, at 6d. a day, in 1st wk. of Sept.
- XVIII. SAWYERE, JOHN. 1440/1. Sawyer; he and a mate earned 5s. 10d. a wk. in the first 3 wks. of April.
- XIX. SAWYERE, THOMAS. 1440/1. Sawyer; worked from June to Sept. and earned in all £2 7s. 3d. for 9 wks. work, including mate's wages.
- XX. JOYNOR, GEORGE. 1440-2. Joiner; began to work in 2nd wk. of Oct. 1440/1 and is mentioned in Nov., and in Feb., Nov. and Dec. of 1441/2; maximum rate was 2s. 6d. a wk.
- XXI. MAYSCH, JOHN. 1448/9. Carpenter; paid 18½d. for working on new stables.
- XXII. SMALE, T. 1448/9. Carpenter; paid 21d. for working on new stables.
- XXIII. CARPENTER, ROBERT. 1448-90. Carpenter; paid 16d. in 1448/9 for working on new stables and continued to work in the college in 1449/50. In 1469 was engaged on Perkyn's house and paid 21d. for 3½ days work cutting timber on 6 Mar. 1489/90.

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- XXIV. WHITE, RICHARD. 1448-56. Carpenter ; paid 2s. 3d. for himself and servants working in kitchen in 1448/9 and moved timber (8d.) in 1451/2. Was engaged on repairs outside college at Michael Hall and Nicholas Robyn's house in 1455/6. On 27 June 1458 was informed in the Chancellor's court that he would be fined if he touched Joan Tysyn and if he did he should marry her and pay a fine of 20s. (*Reg. Canc.*, II, 23).
- XXV. MAYOW, ROBERT. 1449/50. Carpenter ; paid £7 for constructing chancel roof at Upchurch.
- XXVI. SAWYER, WILLIAM. 1449-57. Sawyer ; of Headington ; supplier of firewood. Sold 10 oaks for firewood (20s.) on 20 October 1449/50 and on 13 May 1451/2 was paid 18s. for firewood and its carriage. In 1455/6 and 1456/7 cut wood for fuel.
- XXVII. DALTON, JOHN. 1449-58. Carpenter ; he and mate worked on Matthew's house in Le Bayly in 1449/50 and on Nicholas Robyn's house in 1455/6. In 1457/8 was paid 17½d. for planks and for making hatch in promptuary door and he and servant were sawing wood for Michael Hall. There is interesting record of lease granted him for life on 25 March 1450 by Oseney Abbey, of a corner tenement in the Hamel. He was to build a new house over the running water, 36 ft. long and 14 ft. wide and full details of its rooms are given. Continued to inhabit this house between 1453 and 1462 (*Oseney Cart.*, II, 422, 423, III, 271). In 1452 was surety for John Angell, carpenter, in Chancellor's court (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 282).
- XXVIII. BLADON, JOHN. 1450/1. Sawyer ; he and son paid 3s. for 3 days work cutting wood into planks.
- XXIX. FFETHERSTON, WILLIAM. 1450/1. Carpenter ; repaired promptuary door in 1450/1 for 9d. Made cupboard for 3s. 6d. working for 7 days at 6d. and his servant received 20d. On 10 Feb. he fixed a rack. He and servant paid 5s. 6d. for repairing walls in Warden's room. On 8 Oct. 1450 John a Vicary promised to keep the peace with William Fedurstone and wife (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 219), and on 18 Nov. William was brought before Chancellor's court as owing 9s. 8d. which he promised to pay (*Ibid.*, I, 223). On 7 Apr. 1451 he and friend asked to act as arbitrators in a case (*Ibid.*, I, 234), and on 9 July 1451 Thomas Smith alias Drayton promised to pay debt of 3s. 4d. to Patric Carpenter for William Fedurstone (*Ibid.*, I, 243). On 29 July 1451 William's wife Emmota appointed Matthew Gryffen her attorney and a little later William Fedurstone and Thomas Smith alias Drayton, in court, confessed that when wardens of St. Peter's in the East they had sold a house by the E. gate, belonging to the church, to Sir Thomas Charlton, and the sale was cancelled (*Ibid.*, I, 311).
- XXX. BEEN, WILLIAM. 1451/2. Sawyer ; did much work in college.
- XXXI. FFOLAN, PHILIP. 1451/2. Sawyer ; mentioned many times.
- XXXII. GRYFFYTH, HUGH. 1451/2. Sawyer ; he and mate sawing wood.
- XXXIII. AESCHE, PHILIP. 1451-6. Carpenter ; working with his man in college in 1451/2 and put up weather vane at Chipping Norton. In 1452/3 was working at Grampound and cutting wood in college in 1455/6.

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- xxxiv. ASCH, WILLIAM. 1451-3. Carpenter ; probably relative of Philip, received 3s. 2d. for working with 2 men trimming wood, and on stable on 19 Aug. 1451/2. In next year made palings at Little Balliol and cut wood in college. On 28 May 1452 was Commissary for Chancellor's court (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 265).
- xxxv. CARPENTER, MICHAEL. 1452/3. Carpenter ; worked in St. Mary Magdalen parish.
- xxxvi. PAWES, JOHN. 1452-6. Sawyer ; worked outside college in 1452/3. In 1455/6 sawed wood in college and for Michael Hall. Lived in cottage in St. George's parish between 1454 and 1463, and until 1477 in another house in the same parish, both belonging to Oseney (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 272/3). On 20 July 1459 was surety for William Robyns of Botley, who had struck a friar, and on 8 Feb. was mentioned in case in Chancellor's court (*Reg. Canc.*, II, 26, 74).
- xxxvii. WARDE, JOHN. 1452/3. Sawyer ; he and mate working in college.
- xxxviii. BODWYN (BEDEWYN), RICHARD. 1455-7. Carpenter ; supplied 300 nails for 2 lattices for bursar's room in 1455/6 and worked for 3 days making lattices on 29 Sept. ; also made door for house in St. Ebbe's and carried pair of trestles and table to bursary. In 1456/7 repaired brewhouse in college and did some repairs in St. Mary Magdalen parish. In 1453/8 was occupant of cottage in St. Peter's in the Bailey, belonging to Oseney (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 263). In 1450 a Richard Bedwyn baker is mentioned in Chancellor's Register (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 220).
- xxxix. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1455/6. Carpenter ; cutting up wood in college.
- xl. NODE, WILLIAM. 1455-9. Carpenter ; worked with Richard White on repairs to Michael Hall and Nicholas Robyns house in 1455/6. In 1459 received 15s. 9d. for a ceiling in bursary and made bosses for it. In 1458/61 held tenements of Oseney Abbey in St. George's parish (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 272). On 8 Aug. 1452 he and others promised to keep the peace with John Angell (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 282).
- xli. SAWYER (HEWLYN), OLIVER. 1456/7. Sawyer ; sawing planks for outside repairs. Lived in house in St. George's parish owned by Oseney (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 271).
- xlh. ANGELL alias CUNWEYN, JOHN. 1457/8. Carpenter ; he and mate made long chest in which to keep candles in vestry in 1457/8 (16d.) and in Aug. was paid 10s. for making or mending 3 doors in Warden's room and his servant's chamber, and bed for Warden. Also cut and prepared 46 oaks with Richard Tyke's assistance. (See note under William Node.)
- xlh. SENYS. 1457/8. Carpenter ; paid 9s. 4d. on 12 July for crests for high altar, 14 ft. long at 9d. a ft.
- xliv. TYKE, RICHARD. 1457/8. Carpenter ; cutting wood with John Angell.
- xl. CARUN, DIONISIUS. 1457/8. Carpenter ; paid 20d. in part payment and another 2s. on St. James' day and further payment on 20 Aug. for making doors for book cases in vestry and crests for chapel nave.

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- XLVI. CRAY, THOMAS. 1457-9. Woodman ; paid 4s. in 1457/8 for cutting down and preparing 20 oaks at Forest Hill and he and a forester carried it for 30s. Was again cutting wood in 1459.
- XLVII. DALTON, WILLIAM. 1459. Carpenter ; paid 2s. 4d. for new door to law bursar's room.
- XLVIII. PERLE, STEPHEN. 1481/2. Woodman ; cutting up wood for college.
- XLIX. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1489/90. Carpenter ; paid 4s. for 4 days work in vestry and stable.
- L. CAROWE, ROBERT [N]. 1501-16. Master carpenter.
- LI. MERYWODD. 1504/5. Carpenter ; paid for 8 days work.
- LII. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1505/6. Carpenter ; working in college.
- LIII. SPYLLYSEY. 1506/7. Carpenter ; paid for under-pinning a new building.
- LIV. FOX, RALPH. 1508/9. Sawyer ; worked at college.
- LV. BOWMAN, JOHN. 1508-11. Master carpenter ; paid 87s. in 1508/9 in part payment of £6 6s. 8d. and in 1510/11 paid 8d. 'pro impositione ly beamys infra altare'.
- LVI. PYE, JOHN. 1516/17. Carpenter ; paid 28s. 6d. for sawing and making paling in garden. Paid 33s. 4d. for squaring wood.
- LVII. STONE, (THOMAS). 1520/1. Carpenter ; paid 6d. for making desks.

CARDINAL COLLEGE

- I. CAROW, ROBERT [N]. 1524-9. Master carpenter.
- II. OKAY, W. 1524/5. Master carver and warden of carvers occurs between 28 Jan. 1524/5 and 1 July 1525 and received 8d. a day (Harvey, *Building Works*, 54).
- III. STONE, THOMAS. 1524/5. Carpenter ; he and servant working on building at St. Frideswide's on 21 Feb.
- IV. CAXTON, THOMAS [X]. 1524/5. Sawyer
- V. BALLE, RICHARD. 1524/5. Woodman ; working at the Shawe, Cuddesdon and Cumnor for 10 days (20d.) and he and Gyllam felled 36 trees (6s.). Worked for wk. at 3s. 4d.
- VI. BYRDE, JOHN. 1524/5. Woodman ; felled trees for 5 days at 4d.
- VII. GYLLAM, BARTYLMewe. 1524/5. Woodman in Abbot of Abingdon's woods ; paid 2s. 3½d. for 5½ days work on 28 Jan. felling trees.
- VIII. GYLAM, THOMAS. 1524/5. Woodman at the Shawe, Cuddesdon and Cumnor ; worked for 24 days (4s.) felling trees and he and Balle felled 36 trees (2s. 1d.).
- IX. JACKS, W. 1524/5. Woodman in Abbot of Abingdon's woods ; paid 2s. 1d. on 28 Jan. for felling trees.
- X. PERSE. 1524/5. Woodman ; worked for 5½ days (2s. 3½d.) felling trees.
- XI. PLUMMER. 1524/5. Woodman ; felled 2 trees at the Shawe (4d.).

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- XII. SMYTH, HENRY. 1524/5. Woodman at the Shawe, Cuddesdon and Cumnor; worked for 12 days (2s.) felling trees.
- XIII. CLARKE, HARRY. 17 Jun. 1525. Woodman; chopped down trees at Forest Hill and Studley, 160 in all.
- XIV. COKE, HUMPHREY [P]. 1526-9. Master carpenter.
- XV. FLEMING, JAMES. 1528/9. Carpenter; paid 3s. 4d. for making scaffolds for taking down old steeple.
- XVI. WATLINGTON, THOMAS. 1528/9. Master carpenter; paid in 1528/9 for making planking and for railing new bridge over water at Cowley Mead between St. Edmund's well and E. side of college. Made two gates, one 12 ft. wide and 12 ft. high and other 10 ft. wide and 8 ft. high, one to be placed near St. Edmund's well and other near Our Lady in the Wall (Gutch, *Collectanea Curiosa*, 207).

LINCOLN COLLEGE

- I. CARPENTER, ROBERT. 1455. Carpenter; trimmed timber bought from Prioress of Lytymor (Littlemore) (5s.) and he and William Dyker worked on Thomas Belt's house (3 days, 3s.).
- II. DYKER, WILLIAM. 1455. Carpenter; worked for $\frac{1}{2}$ a day (2d.) and he and Robert Carpenter worked on Thomas Belt's house (3 days, 3s.).
- III. BELL, JOHN. 1476-88. Carpenter; in 1476/7 lived in a college house, worked on Iffley mill, prepared timber in college (14d.) and did 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ days in college (7s. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.). In 1487/8 worked in chaplain's room, on other chambers and made steps.
- IV. CARPENTER, DAVID. 1477/8. Carpenter; sold wood (7s.) and received sums amounting to £9 13s. 4d.; in 1478 he and Henry his servant repaired Iffley mill and made post for room and plank perforated with holes for drain in St. Laurence's Hall (3s.).
- V. CARPENTER, EDMUND. 1477/8. Carpenter; noted as working in college.
- VI. EVERTON, JOHN. 1477/8. Sawyer; worked in college.
- VII. WALSCH, RICHARD. 1477/8. Carpenter; worked with Edmund Carpenter.
- VIII. SIMNEL, THOMAS. 1478. Carpenter; worked on new oratory for Rector, bolted new windows and made door (6s.). Dr. Salter showed that Thomas was father of the Pretender, Lambert Simnel, described in 1487 as 'son of Thomas Simnell late of Oxford, joyner'. The father lived next door but one to William Wootton, who made the Merton organ and was perhaps his partner, for he is elsewhere described as an organ-builder and in 1475 lived in house belonging to Oseney Abbey in St. George's parish (*Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, xxxiii).
- IX. BOROW, RICHARD [M]. 1492-1511. Carpenter.
- X. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1492. Carpenter; worked at Iffley.
- XI. CARPENTER, GEOFFREY. 1503. Carpenter; repaired Lawrence Hall, sold wood, worked at the Ram and on a college house and made a door.

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- XII. FISHER, THOMAS. 1503. Carpenter ; worked on lock at Iffley and repaired White Hart.
- XIII. BORO, NICHOLAS. 1504/5. Carpenter ; made railings and table and repaired cellar of a house.
- XIV. JENKYNs, THOMAS. 1504/5. Carpenter ; sold 3 mantlepices (6s.).
- XV. HASE, JOHN. 1505-9. Carpenter ; in 1505/6 worked on John Keyng's stable and in 1506/7 worked on a house, on Lawrence Hall, did some boarding in college hall and dressed wood in kitchen and pantry (5s. 6d) ; John Hase, carpenter, paid 6s. 6d. for 11 days work. In 1508/9 was living in college house and paid for work at the Hartshorn.
- XVI. CARPENTER, LAWRENCE. 1505/6. Carpenter ; worked in college.
- XVII. CARPENTER, REGINALD. 1505/6. Carpenter ; repaired John Keyng's stable.
- XVIII. FREMAN, JOHN. 1505/6. Carpenter ; repaired John Keyng's stable. A man of same name paid 6d. a day for making scaffold for painting arms of Lord Hastings in St. George's chapel, Windsor in 1498/9 (Hope, *Windsor Castle*, II, 468).
- XIX. PHYFFYN (PYTFOLD), RICHARD [S]. 1505-21. Sawyer.
- XX. RYCHARD, JOHN. 1505/6. Carpenter ; worked in college.
- XXI. WASTELL, WILLIAM. 1505-24. Carpenter ; in 1505/6 was apprentice and in 1510/11 squared timber and repaired Lawrence Hall and outside property. Trimmed timber in 1513/14, repaired house, fitted flooring at White Hart, made roof for Thomas Brystall's house and did outside work. In 1520/1 squared timber from trees which he felled, repaired stairs (4d.), covered in a drain (7d.), repaired chamber door and some beds, worked at the Ram, made door for White Hart and fitted woodwork to well there, made louvre for Lytymore (Littlemore) and repaired penthouse. Mended a gate (12d.) in 1523/4 and was paid for boards.
- XXII. SAWYER, JOHN. 1506-27. Sawyer ; sawed wood in college in 1506/7 and 1526/7.
- XXIII. HERRESON, JOHN. 1506/7. Carpenter ; worked for 2 days (12d.).
- XXIV. BROWNYNG. 1508-25. Carpenter ; in 1508/9 he took down house and repaired shops and property at Iffley. Inspected timber at Iffley in 1516/17, hung bell in chapel (3s. 4d.) and he and labourer felled and squared timber at Iffley. Brownyng and a fellow of college went to Iffley to make agreement for erection of barn ; worked at Lawrence Hall and he and his man repaired some stairs. In 1524/5 was paid 7s. for making pump, received 12d. because he had undercalculated its cost and made curb and cover for pump.
- XXV. CARPENTER, RICHARD. 1508/9. Carpenter ; worked on the Hartshorn.
- XXVI. SMYTH, LAWRENCE. 1508/9. Carpenter ; paid for framing a house and made posts for house at Long Combe.
- XXVII. BURNEY, THOMAS. 1509/10. Sawyer ; working at college.
- XXVIII. CARTAR, THOMAS. 1511/12. Woodman ; felled trees at Maystone.

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- XXIX. CASSON, W. 1511/12. Carpenter ; he and Cowper made roof for kitchen, fitted rafters at Lawnsloytt's house and mended some stairs.
- XXX. COWPER, ALEXANDER. 1511/12. Carpenter ; he and W. Casson made roof for kitchen, fitted rafters at Lawnsloytt's house and mended some stairs.
- XXXI. MARTYN, JOHN. 1511/12. Sawyer ; working at college.
- XXXII. NOYTT, JOHN. 1511/12. Sawyer ; occupied in college.
- XXXIII. SYMSON, JOHN. 1511/12. Carpenter ; he and Roger Wryght made door.
- XXXIV. WRYGHT, ROGER. 1511-20. Carpenter ; in 1511/12 squared timber, sawed some wood and made various windows, in 1513/14 worked on the White Hart and in 1519/20 repaired Pynfold's house.
- XXXV. BOYS, ROBERT [V]. 1513/14. Carpenter.
- XXXVI. NEWTON, JOHN. 1513/14. Sawyer ; sawed boards in college.
- XXXVII. SCHYRT, ROBERT. 1513/14. Sawyer ; sawing boards for store.
- XXXVIII. TAYLER, JOHN. 1513/14. Sawyer ; worked in college.
- XXXIX. CAROWE (ROBERT), [N]. 1519/20. Master carpenter.
- XL. LANSLET. 1520/1. Slater and woodman ; felled and trimmed trees.
- XLI. CASBY, JOHN. 1523/4. Carpenter ; made windows.
- XLII. COWPER, THOMAS. 1523/4. Carpenter ; squared timber.
- XLIII. JOHNSON, ROBERT. 1523/4. Carpenter ; worked on White Hart.
- XLIV. MATHEW, HARRY. 1523/4. Carpenter ; trimmed trees.
- XLV. SMYTHE, JOHN. 1523/4. Carpenter ; squared timber.
- XLVI. WOTTON, THOMAS. 1523-5. Carpenter ; squared timber and worked on stable at White Hart in 1523/4 and in 1524/5 made partition in Lawrence Hall and fitted pantry and floor in a college house.
- XLVII. WRYTHE, JOHN. 1523-5. Carpenter ; repaired stable in 1523/4 and house in 1524/5.
- XLVIII. DEW, THOMAS. 1524/5. Sawyer ; sawed planks for college.
- XLIX. MEKYNs, JOHN. 1524/5. Sawyer ; sawed wood and took down house.
- L. PHELYPPS, THOMAS. 1524/5. Sawyer ; worked in college.
- LI. SYMONDS. 1524/5. Sawyer ; prepared wood for the store.
- LII. BYGGE, JOHN. 1526/7. Carpenter ; worked in college for 11 days (5s. 6d.)
- LIII. MARCHE, JOHN. 1526/7. Carpenter ; worked on tower for 25½ days (12s. 9d.), paid 4s. 6d. in the wk. that he set the timber, received 12d. as a reward, worked for 4½ days (2s. 4d.) and made window in Parkes' house.
- LIV. PALYNG, JOHN. 1526/7. Sawyer ; worked in college.
- LV. REDE, JOHN. 1526/7. Sawyer ; worked in college.
- LVI. SAWYER, NICHOLAS. 1526/7. Sawyer ; worked in college.
- LVII. CAXTON, (WILLIAM) [U]. 1527-30. Carpenter.

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- I. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1467-72. Carpenter ; during building of walls in 1467/8 he repaired gate for carts in wall, made 2 doors, one near hall and another near the water and provided keys (7s.) and with food received in all 8s. 9d. In 1471/2 he and John Hykks trimmed timber, made great cart gate near church and constructed roof and door by the gate (6s. 8d.).
- II. HYKKS, JOHN. 1471/2. Carpenter ; helped William Carpenter to make great gate for carts in precinct walls and trimmed timber.
- III. MYLES, JOHN. 1471-1513. Carpenter ; during building of walls in 1471/2 cut down trees so that wall by the water could be erected and dug foundations 34 perches long (17s.). He made rake in 1491/2 and in 1495/6 worked on well in garden (12d.) ; he and Thomas Welshe made chamber windows and 3 pairs of rails for stairs ; later in same year constructed wheelbarrow. Myles fixed hasps and clasps to door at top of tower near church for 2d. in 1496/7 and repaired 2 movable beds. In 1507/8 John Myles repaired kitchen trestles (10d.) and mended forms in music school and grating in orchard (10d.). In 1512/13 he and Roger Wryght worked on wall between kitchen and music school (7s. 6d.).

(The following entries to No. XV refer to the building of the chapel and hall)

- IV. ASH, RICHARD. 1474. Woodman ; received £3 10s. for felling trees in park and chace of Witney and for carrying them to Founder's Manor in that vill.
- V. BOWDEN, JOHN. 1474. Carpenter of Burford ; had agreement with college and paid £6 13s. 3d. He and Walter Carpenter rode to Merlowe to inspect wood (4s. 8d.) and he paid Walter for trimming wood.
- VI. BRYAN, JOHN [I]. 1474. Master carpenter.
- VII. CARPENTER, WALTER. 1474. Carpenter ; rode with John Bowden to see wood at Merlowe (4s. 8d.) ; the college bought 6 large oaks from him at Marlow and wood was shaped on spot (33s.). Also received 12s. for work, for travelling a great deal and for trimming and shaping wood at 2s. a piece.
- VIII. DAYELL, THOMAS. 1474. Woodman of Stanton St. John ; paid for felling 2 acres of wood and underwood (10s.).
- IX. HADDON, ROBERT. 1474. Woodman ; rewarded for helping to measure and sell wood from Shotover.
- X. HALLE, THOMAS. 1474. Carpenter ; sold wood for roof of tower in wall opposite college gate and made roof (10s.).
- XI. MUSTON, JOHN. 1474. Woodman ; paid for his favour.
- XII. POWYS, RICHARD. 1474. Sawyer ; sawed timber for tower opposite gate of college (4s. 6d.).
- XIII. SCARLET, RICHARD—SCARLET, WILLIAM. 1474. Woodmen ; paid 50s. for felling 10 acres of wood and underwood at Shotover.
- XIV. THOMAS, MARC. 1474. Woodman of Shotover paid for his favour.

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- xv. WHITE, JOHN [K]. 1474-91. Carpenter.
- xvi. CLARK, ROBERT. 1482/3. Carpenter; paid 3s. 6d. for repairing promptuary cupboard.
- xvii. CARPENTER, ROBERT. 1484-6. Carpenter; paid 9d. in 1484/5 for repairing forms of stalls in chapel and £4 for making chest for containing rolls and evidences, and seats and other things for exchequer. In 1485/6 fixed 3 locks in bursary (6d.).
- xviii. CHURCHYERD, ROBERT. 1484-8. Carpenter; in 1484/5 was paid 2s. for working on stables; was keeper of horses in 1485/6, and in 1487/8 he and Thomas Churchyard associated with the college stables.
- xix. CARPENTER, DIONISIUS. 1488/9. Carpenter; paid 12d. for repairing desks and benches in hall, chapel and chapel of St. John Baptist.
- xx. AKYRS, ROBERT. 1490/1. Carpenter; worked for 4 days on new S. walk of cloister.
- xxi. CARPYNTER, ALEXANDER. 1490/1. Carpenter; working on new chapel over S. walk of cloister for 7 days at 7d.
- xxii. GARVEY, THOMAS. 1490/1. Carpenter; worked for 33 days at 6d. on new S. walk of cloister and he and Thomas Harolde did 2½ days on building being erected 'circa murum iuxta pistrinum' (2s. 6d.).
- xxiii. HAROLDE, THOMAS. 1490/1. Carpenter; worked for 34 days at 6d. (17s.) on S. walk of cloister. He and T. Garvey worked as above.
- xxiv. LONGE, MAURICE. 1490/1. Carpenter; worked for 24½ days at 6d. (12s. 3d.) on S. walk of cloister.
- xxv. PERLE, THOMAS. 1490/1. Carpenter; working on new chapel above S. walk of cloister for 7 days (3s. 6d.).
- xxvi. BOROW, RICHARD [M]. 1490-1510. Carpenter.
- xxvii. FFYSHER, JOHN [L]. 1490-1503. Master carpenter.
- xxviii. MORGAN, W. 1490-2. Sawyer; in 1490/1 sawed 1900 ft. of planks at 12d. a 100 ft. (19s. 10d.) for new S. walk of cloister and he and mate worked for 29 days at 12d. there. In 1491/2 he and others were sawing wood and lead laths for false roof for new chapel above cloister for 1½ days (18d.). He and others also worked for 2½ days on lead laths (2s. 1d.) and for 3 days on wainscot and studs for bell wheels (9d.).
- xxix. LAMBART, JAMES. 1491-7. Joiner; made new chest for promptuary (2s. 4d.). In 1494/5 worked on roof of cloister for day (6d.) and in 1486/7 made lattice for President's promptuary containing 43 ft. at 3½d. a ft. plus 3d. (12s. 10½d.). Did carpenter's work in President's hall for day (6d.), was paid for nails (4d.) and did repairs and sawed wood in promptuary (18d.).
- xxx. KENETT, WILLIAM. 1494/5. Sawyer; he and mate sawing posts for fences in garden (12s.) and many 'planks de ly pale borde' (24s. 3d.).
- xxxi. DONE, HENRY. 1494-6. Carpenter; in 1494/5 made trench to lead water from Jenkyns' garden to moat, repaired door of barn and trimmed wood for fence in cook's garden (32½ days). In 1495/6 repaired benches in St. John's chapel and in orchard he and Richard Jonys made gutters

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to lead water from John Gyll's garden to moat (2s. 6d.) and he covered gutter.

- xxxii. DEVYLL, JOHN. 1494-9. Carpenter ; paid in 1494/5 for 5 crosses put on chapel walls (4d.) and for fixing posts (10d.) for fence in garden. In 1495/7 cleaned gutters in cloister garth and in 1498/9 repaired beds.
- xxxiii. CAROW, ROBERT [N]. 1494-1525. Master carpenter.
- xxiv. CASSON, JOHN. 1495/6. Sawyer ; sawed planks for gutter leading water to promptuary. Lived in St. Mary Magdalen parish in 1524 when paid 4d. Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 68).
- xxxv. COSSE, JOHN. 1495/6. Carpenter ; paid in earnest for making mill at Horsedowne in London (4d.).
- xxxvi. GRYFFEN, DIONISIUS. 1495/6. Carpenter ; cut wood to place over gutter leading water to promptuary and he and John Rosse trimmed wood, studs and rafters for gable wall in old building (11s. 4d.). Later cut wood to make planks for gutter in orchard and he and Rosse trimmed wood for palings, posts and railings for fence (4 days, 4s.).
- xxxvii. RYGE, RICHARD. 1495/6. Carpenter ; repaired gutter leading water to promptuary for 3 days at 6d. Was perhaps related to Richard Rydge of London who carved 2 greyhounds and leopard for Hampton Court hall in 1530, and also carved pendants of roof there ; received £3 3s. 4d. each for lower series under hammer beams, 25s. for second series on arches at right angles to hammer beams and same price for third series on purlins. In 1535 also carved pendants for louvre and crowned rose in vault of it (Salzman, *Building in England*, 165, 218, 219). Some panelling in hall at Weston Manor, Oxfordshire, brought there in 18th. century from Notting Abbey, was made by Richard Ryge and on frieze over fire-place is carved inscription 'Time Deum et recedo a malo Richard Ridge' (Avray Tipping, *Eng. Homes, Periods I and II*, II, xxiii, xxvi).
- xxxviii. JONYS, NICHOLAS. 1495-1503. Carpenter ; in 1495/6 repaired desks and in 1502/3 he and Richard Borow repaired doors near bridge (4 days, 3s. 4d.).
- xxxix. JONYS, RICHARD. 1495-1511. Carpenter ; in 1495/6 he and Henry Don were working on gutter leading water from John Gyll's garden to moat (3 days, 2s. 6d.). In 1510/11 he and Thomas Bedyll made 3 chests and did repairs in music school and St. John's chapel (5s. 10d.) and he repaired windows in President's room (5d.).
- xl. ROSE (ROSSE), JOHN. 1495-9. Carpenter ; cut wood in 1495/6 for putting above gutter leading leading water to promptuary and later sawed planks for it. Trimmed wood, studs, rafters and posts for gable wall of old building and he and Dionisius Gryffen cut wood to make planks for orchard gutter and for posts and railings for fence in bachelor's garden. In 1498/9 was sawing logs.
- xli. WALSHE, THOMAS [O]. 1495-1506. Carpenter.
- xl.ii. DEWLYNG, WALTER. 1498/9. Carpenter ; he and Edmund Sawyer sawed wood and he made door near stable (5½ days at 6d.).

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- XLIII. GRAUNT, PHILIP. 1498/9. Carpenter ; he and Richard Byskey worked on well in kitchen.
- XLIV. LYNCHÉ, DIONISIUS. 1498/9. Carpenter ; paid for studs and for making bed (7d.).
- XLV. SAWYER, EDMUND. 1498/9. Sawyer ; worked in college with Walter Dewlyng.
- XLVI. ASE, JOHN. 1500/1. Woodman ; he and John Pen split oak at Shotover and trimmed it (4os. 10d.) and he carried wood to college.
- XLVII. PEN, JOHN. 1500/1. Woodman ; worked with John Ase as above.
- XLVIII. CARPENTAR, JOHN. 1500/1. Carpenter ; he and servant worked for day on clock pulleys (8d.).
- XLIX. COKKS, HENRY. 1500/1. Carpenter ; repaired bridge to meadow.
L. DOGOOD, HENRY. 1500/1. Sawyer ; he and brother sawing wood.
- LI. ASSKE, RALPH. 1502/3. Sawyer ; sawed wood for outside work.
- LII. LEDYS, WILLIAM. 1502-5. Carpenter ; in 1502/3 he and other carpenters made new doors near kitchen (19s. 9d.). He and others worked on studies, a screen and small room in Vice-President's chamber and other necessary things (20s.). In 1504/5 made new tables for various rooms (10 days at 5d.).
- LIII. PAYNE, EDMUND. 1502/3. Sawyer ; he and John Robynson sawed wood for outside work.
- LIV. STEPHENSON, JOHN. 1502/3. Sawyer ; he and another sawed wood for stable repairs (4 days, 4s.).
- LV. STRATTFORD, CHRISTOPHER. 1502/3. Carpenter ; worked in Mr. Drewet's room and in Mr. Tasshe's room making movable beds (21d.).
- LVI. BUTLER, THOMAS. 1503/4. Servant of James Light, carpenter, working on tower with him (4 days, 4s. 6d.).
- LVII. HEWITH, REGINALD. 1503/4. Carpenter ; received 10s. in part payment on two occasions for building Tubney chapel.
- LVIII. LIGHT, JAMES. 1503/4. Carpenter ; he and servant, Thomas Butler, worked for 4 days at 6d. a day.
- LIX. LIGHT, WILLIAM. 1503-11. Sawyer ; he and others in 1503/4 sawed wood for 4½ days (4s. 6d.), in 1506/7 he and servant sawed wood and in 1507/8 he and mate sawed timber for new rooms between tower and St. John's chapel. In 1510/11 sawed studs for partition between some rooms (10d.).
- LX. STORAR, PETER. 1503-16. Sawyer ; in 1503/4 sawed rafters and other timber for new room at back of kitchen (3s. 9d.), and in 1515/16 he and John Pulkyn sawed planks.
- LXI. JOYNER, ROBERT. 1504/5. Joiner ; paid 'pro fabrica le trappys vjd'.
- LXII. LYNCHÉ, JAMES [Q]. 1504-16. Carpenter ; Robert Carow's servant.
- LXIII. MERYWETHER. 1504-6. Woodman ; in 1504/5 was paid 3s. for cutting timber in St. John's wood for new stable and 3s. 8d. for cutting down and preparing for the cart 15 trees for new tower. In 1505/6 cleaned cloister and worked in garden.

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- LXIV. GELLAM, THOMAS. 1505/6. Woodman; worked on great oak at Shotover.
- LXV. SCARDO, JOHN. 1505/6. Woodman; worked on great oak at Shotover and carried wood thence and from Sargyngton (Garsington).
- LXVI. DANYELL, THOMAS. 1506/7. Woodman; paid for cutting timber at Hanborow (i.e. Hanborough) (7s. 6d.) and for preparing it for carts (4s.).
- LXVII. MERY, JOHN. 1506-8. Sawyer; sold timber in 1506/7 and in 1507/8 was sawing wood for building of chambers between tower and St. John's chapel.
- LXVIII. PEERS. 1506/7. Carpenter; worked on a table.
- LXIX. CARPENTER, CORNELIUS [T]. 1506-26. Carpenter.
- LXX. FUSTYNG, JOHN. 1506-8. Carpenter and mason; seems to have handled wood and stone with equal facility. In 1506/7 prepared stones for new bell tower at Magdalen (2s. 8d.), was paid 5s. for 10 days work 'gravyng stone', and worked on tower for 5 days (2s. 6d.). In 1507 constructed wooden roof, which still survives, for former library above Congregation House, and decorated it with knobs and leaves of gilded lead at intersections (Vallance, *Old Colleges of Oxford*, 3). Bishop Audley of Salisbury and others gave money for this work and at Fustyng's death he was still owed £5 for job. Worked on Magdalen bell tower for 3 days in 1507/8 (18d.). On 29 Sept. 1507 lived in house in St. Mary's parish belonging to St. John's Hospital (*Cart. St. John*, III, 290). He died in 1508 and T. G. Jackson gives interesting inventory of his goods (*St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford*, 215), in which are references to other work by him. Was working at Godstow Abbey and possessed 'tymbur unwroght and wroght' belonging to that work. Had made stone pulpit for St. Mary's church, to cost £20, had received £9 on account, and the benefactors contributing to the cost were Bishop Audley of Salisbury, John Claymond, successively President of Magdalen and Corpus Christi colleges and Richard FitzJames, Bishop of London. Pulpit was destroyed c. 1654, but some fragments still remained in 1897 (*St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford*, 179-80). Was still owed 22s. 4d. for greenstone altar tomb in memory of Edmund Croston, Principal of Brasenose College, 1501-3, in St. Catherine's chapel, with marble top and purbeck marble slab with brasses fixed above it. Only the back brasses remain after at least three moves, and are now fixed on the S. wall of tower of St. Mary's church.
- LXXI. PYTFYLDE (PITFOLD, PYTFYN), RICHARD [S]. 1507-30. Sawyer.
- LXXII. BEDYLL, THOMAS. 1510/11. Carpenter; he and Richard Jones made 3 chests and did repairs in music school and St. John's chapel (5s. 10d.).
- LXXIII. JOLLE, RICHARD. 1510/11. Carpenter; worked on chapel windows (4½ days, 18d.) and cut wood for lattice (4d.).
- LXXIV. WATKYN, JAMES. 1510/11. Carpenter; worked on wall between chambers (16d.), squared wood for studs (8d.) and made bridge by agreement with Robert Boise and repaired rooms.
- LXXV. CARPENTER, GEOFFREY. 1511/12. Carpenter; made frame for clock (2s. 11d.) and worked on chamber (6d.).

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- LXXVI. COWPER, ALEXANDER. 1511/12. Carpenter ; made cupboards and doors for Dr. Mollyneux's room (12d.) and hooks and hinges for door (4d.).
- LXXVII. MORTEN. 1511/12. Sawyer ; he and others sawed wood for clock frame.
- LXXVIII. CAXTON, WILLIAM [U]. 1511-30. Carpenter.
- LXXIX. BOYS, ROBERT [V]. 1511-14. Carpenter.
- LXXX. WRYGHT, ROGER. 1511-19. Carpenter ; cut wood in 1511/12 ; in 1512/13 he and John Miles were working on wall between kitchen and music school (7s. 6d.). Was working in President's lodge (12d.) in 1518/19, repaired clock (6d.), did jobs in rooms (20d.), worked in chapel, orchard and rooms (6s. 6d.), did other work in orchard (21d.), worked for day (6d.), repaired bridge (4s. 6d.) and did work in storehouse (2s. 3d.).
- LXXXI. HERYSON, WILLIAM. 1513/14. Joiner ; made door for ' almercy ' (8d.).
- LXXXII. ARCHER, WILLIAM. 1513-16. Woodman ; in 1513/14 he and John Walker carried 46 loads of wood (40s.) and in 1515/16 squared wood at Schellyswell (Shelswell) and carried wood from there and Sydley.
- LXXXIII. SCHARPE, RICHARD. 1515/16. Carpenters' servant ; with Carow's servants making two movable beds.
- LXXXIV. GELYFFE, ROBERT. 1515-17. Carpenter ; repaired stable in 1515/16 (21d.), he and others repaired rooms (2s.), he repaired rooms and some flooring (2s. 6d.), did repairs in another chamber (6d.), trimmed wood in moat and he and two labourers floored room (5 days, 6s. 9d.). In 1516/17 he repaired banker in President's promptuary and made ladder for chapel, repaired tables in kitchen (15d.), made racks and worked on various rooms. Was working on hall in 1516/17 (18d.), did repairs in chambers and kitchen (2s. 1d.), he and servant squared timber (7s. 6d.) and he and two servants worked on rooms and squared timber (9s. 9d.). Also repaired room, made bed and did other jobs.
- LXXXV. PHYLYPPS, JOHN [R]. 1515/16. Carpenter.
- LXXXVI. PYPER, THOMAS. 1515-17. Woodman of Stawnton ; in 1515/16 squared trees at Sydley and in 1516/17 was paid for wood at Sydley.
- LXXXVII. PULKYN, JOHN. 1515/16. Sawyer ; sawed planks with Peter Storyar on two occasions.
- LXXXVIII. ATKIS, THOMAS. 1518/19. Carpenter ; worked on ' eavesboard ' (2s. 4d.).
- LXXXIX. RAYNOLD, THOMAS. 1518-21. Carpenter ; in 1518/19 sawed planks and in 1520/1 he and Colyn made ' abaci ' in hall and supplied glue (4s. 2d.).
- XC. SAWER, WILLIAM. 1518/19. Sawyer ; worked on bridge.
- XCI. SEXTEN, WILLIAM. 1518/19. Sawyer ; sawed wood in college.
- XCH. CLARK, ROBERT [W]. 1520/1. Carver.
- XCHH. GILES. 1520/1. Servant to Robert Clark ; noted as working 9 days.
- XCHV. HUGH. 1520/1. Servant to Robert Clark ; worked 10 days.
- XCV. JOHN. 1520/1. Servant to Robert Clark ; worked 5 days less 3 hours (2s. 4½d.).
- XCVI. WILLIAM. 1520/1. Servant to Robert Clark ; worked 5 days.

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- XCVII. CARWALL. 1520/1. Carpenter; he and Cornell worked on wood for extension to President's lodge for 2 days (2s.).
- XCVIII. COLYN, (WILLIAM). 1520/1. Carpenter; he and Raynold made cupboards in hall (4s. 2d.), one in President's lodge with locks and rings, and table. In 1517 he and Nicholas More contracted to build roofs over cloister and other parts of Corpus Christi College (£8). (Salzman, *Building in Eng.*, 573.)
- XCIX. SHURT, ROBERT. 1520/1. Sawyer; sawed wood for stairs of extension to President's lodge (5s. 6d.).
 - C. CORNELL [T]. 1520-2. Carpenter.
 - CI. WAK, BARY. 1520/1. Cornell's servant; worked for 3 days (18d.).
 - CII. MARTYN. 1520-5. Cornell's servant; worked on extension to President's lodge for 4 days (2s.). In 1524/5 two of Martyn's servants worked for 2 days in Vice-President's room.
 - CIII. BROWN, JOHN. 1520-7. Carpenter; in 1520/1 worked for 4 days (2s. 3d.) on extension to President's lodge; in 1524/5 worked for 17 days on same work and in 1526/7 made benches for Dr. Nicholas's room (2s. 4d.). Lived in St. Peter's in the East in 1524 when paid Lay Subsidy of 4d. (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 70). A John Brown, carpenter, was paid 4s. at Hampton Court in 1525 (Salzman, *Building in Eng.*, pl. 8 opp. p. 80).
 - CIV. CAXTON, THOMAS [X]. 1520-30. Sawyer.
 - CV. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1521/2. Carpenter; prepared wood.
 - CVI. DE COLONIA, JOHN [Y]. 1521-5. Carpenter.
 - CVII. MAGUDDE. 1521/2. Carpenter; worked on extension to President's lodge for 2 days at 7d. He and servant hung doors of new building (13d.).
 - CVIII. DE COLONIA, CHARLES. 1524/5. Carpenter; worked for 1½ days on Mr. Perchrust's room (12d.) and 1 day in Mr. Canar's room (8d.).
 - CIX. SKOWTE, JOHN [Z]. 1525-30. Carver.
 - CX. BADCOKE. 1526/7. Carpenter; worked in extension to President's lodge, sawed wood for store, repaired fuel house and made posts (5s.).
 - CXI. BALL. 1526/7. Carpenter; squared wood for store.
 - CXII. BELL. 1526/7. Sawyer; sawed wood for store.
 - CXIII. COLMAN. 1526/7. Carpenter; worked in extension to President's lodge, made railings for President's garden (12d.) and repaired fuel house and made posts (18d.).
 - CXIV. GRYFFYTH. 1526/7. Carpenter; squared wood for store.
 - CXV. GYLLAM, BARTHOLOMEW. 1526/7. Carpenter; worked on new stalls in St. John's chapel (3s.) and in Doctors' room (3s.).
 - CXVI. GYLLAM, THOMAS. 1526/7. Sawyer; sawed wood for store and squared it.
 - CXVII. HERBERD, JOHN. 1526/7. Carpenter; worked in stable (2s. 1d.), sawed wood for store and squared some (2s. 3½d.), repaired fuel house and made posts (2s. 6d.).

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- CXVIII. HEYWORTH. 1526/7. Carpenter; worked on garden palings, sawed wood for store and worked in 'ludi preceptorum'.
- CXIX. LANDER. 1526/7. Sawyer; sawed rails.
- CXX. LAWNDE, JOHN. 1526/7. Sawyer; sawed wood for store and paid for planks (perhaps the same man as no. cxix).
- CXXI. MERCHAM. 1526/7. Carpenter; sawed wood for store, worked in 'ludi preceptorum'; repaired fuel house and made posts (2s. 11d.). He usually received 5d. a day.
- CXXII. MYLLYS. 1526/7. Carpenter; worked on extension to President's lodge, on garden palings, sawed wood for store, worked in 'ludi preceptorum', repaired fuel house and made posts.
- CXXIII. PALINE, JOHN. 1526/7. Sawyer; sawed studs.
- CXXIV. ROODYS. 1526/7. Carpenter; squared wood.
- CXXV. SAWER. 1526/7. Sawyer; worked in chapel (3s.).
- CXXVI. WOTTON. 1526-30. Carpenter; worked in chapel in 1526/7 (7s. 10d.) and slated store house, doctors' room and library. In 1529/30 he and Caxton built house (£3), trimmed wood at Headington, repaired gratings and built another house.
- CXXVII. GYLUDY (GYLNEY). 1529/30. Carpenter; made racks and other things for hen house (3s.), worked on rooms (3s. 6d.), in Vice-President's room and others (3s. 6d.), in Mr. Robertson's room and music school (3s.), in preceptor's chamber and other rooms (4s.) and made 2 movable beds (12d.) and repaired door.
- CXXVIII. HANSON, JOHN. 1529/30. Carpenter; repaired organ and some desks (22d.) and made 2 lattices (17 sq. ft. at 4d. a ft. plus painting, 7s. 8d.).
- CXXIX. STONE, THOMAS. 1529/30. Carpenter; trimmed timber to make gratings (6 days at 6d.), made stile for Kingsmill and he and William Wadam trimmed wood.
- CXXX. WADAM, WILLIAM. 1529/30. Carpenter; trimmed wood and made bridge for King's Mill Close (3s.) and worked in various rooms (15d.).

MERTON COLLEGE

- I. CARPENTER, PETER. 1369/70. Carpenter: paid 12s. 6d. for building new house and sold cart to college in which to carry large pieces of timber (16s.). He and wife Johanna were living in SW. ward when he paid 3s. at Lay Subsidy of 1380 (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 20).
- II. CARPENTER (BATH), ROBERT [A]. 1374-92. Carpenter.
- III. CARPENTER, STEPHEN. 1379. Carpenter; worked on wall for just over 9 days (4s. 3d.) and received nunschons (4d.).
- IV. BLOXHAM, THOMAS. 1387/8. Carpenter; worked for week on palings (2s. 6d.). Lived in NW. ward when charged on 3 Sept. 1390 with taking too much pay, under Statute of Labourers, and on 13 Mar. 1391 was fined 12d. (*Med. Archives*, II, 11 and 37).

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- V. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1390/1. Carpenter ; worked for 3 days on windows of library at 5d. a day, assisted by servant (12d.) and both had nunschons (3d.). He worked on library staircase and on screen (palacium) (4½ days at 5d. plus servant at 4d.
- VI. CARPENTER, NICHOLAS. 1391/2. Carpenter ; paid 25s. 4d. in part payment of salary when working on choir roof. Lived in house belonging to St. John's Hospital in St. Mary Magdalen parish in 1374 (*Cart. St. John*, III, 185). Paid 12d. at Lay Subsidy of 1380 (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 30). In 1391 was accused of taking too much under Statute of Labourers and on day after Easter was fined 8d. Was again accused in Mar. 1392 and fined 8d. and charged a third time in Nov. 1392 and paid similar fine (*Med. Archives*, II, 57, 58, 81, 103).
- VII. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1391-1420. Carpenter ; in 1391/2 received 23s. 4d. in part payment of salary while working on choir roof. In 1408/9 made well cover (6s. 5d.) and repaired Henry Taylor's house. Sold 3 new ladders in 1409 (3s.) and worked on Holywell mill. In 1411 built new house at Holywell (30s. 4d.), supplied 2 posts for gate (5s. 2d.) and he and 2 servants worked for week on new house (7s.). Did repairs at Holywell also. In 1417 he and another did chamber and study repairs (3s. 6d.) and supplied nails. Built wall in entrance to Warden's hall (5 days at 6d. plus meals and 3 servants each working 5 days at 6d.) in 1419/20.
- VIII. HULL, JOHN. 1409. Carpenter of Henley ; paid for work on Holywell and a man was given 2d. expenses for riding into Berkshire to fetch him.
- IX. POPE. 1411. Sawyer ; he and mate sawed wood for 10 days (10s.).
- X. JONYS, ROGER. 1426/7. Carpenter ; worked for 2 days on 'quisquillas' during building of bell tower, and another 2 days on Holywell mill.
- XI. WILKCHYR, (JOHN) [F]. 1429/30. Carpenter.
- XII. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1442-5. Carpenter ; in 1442 on repairs at Cuxham and Ybstone (Ipsden) and in 1445 he repaired Warden's promptuary, did work in a room (3d.), worked at Ybstone and in garden at college.

The carpenters from here down to No. XXIII worked on the building of the bell tower and occur in the first building account.)

- XIII. ASCHE, JOHN. 1448-50. Carpenter ; during building of bell tower repaired masons' lodge (7 days at 6d.) and in 2nd wk. of Aug. was paid 12s. for sawing timber from Horham wood (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 314-337).
- XIV. ASCHE, WILLIAM. 1448-50. Woodman ; paid 18d. for 3 days work felling timber.
- XV. BELL, HENRY. 1448-50. Miller and woodman ; paid 4s. 7d. for felling 13 trees in Horham wood.
- XVI. CLOBBERRY. 1448-50. Carpenter ; made face-mould from plank of Baltic wood (20d.). Worked from 4th wk. of May until 5th wk. of June 1448 (16 days at 4d. a day), removing bell tower roof. Supplied two wheelbarrows (32d.).

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- xvii. DALTON, (JOHN). 1448-72. Carpenter; during building of bell tower in 1448/50 sawed 7 trees from Headington (4 days at 6d.). In 1449/50 he and servant worked for 10 days on benches for new hall of Warden's lodge and on stable and outer court at 5d. a day. He supplied nails (6d.) and he and two others worked for 4 days on benches, and made table, wheelbarrow and other things (6s.). Was also given 2d. for agreement about hall louvre. In 1472 sold table (3s. 8d.) and made some dressing boards.
 - xviii. GROFE (GROVE). 1448-52. Carpenter; during building of bell tower helped remove campanile roof for 6 days at 3d. In 3rd wk. of July 1448 worked for 2½ days (15d.) on timber and in next week for similar period (15d.). In 1452 Grove worked for 3 days (7½d.) squaring wood given by Lord Hungerford. On 25 Feb. 1472/3 the King's servant, William Grove, carpenter, was appointed master of the King's work at Windsor Castle for life (Hope, *Windsor Castle*, I, 238).
 - xix. HUTT, WILLIAM. 1448-50. Woodman; felled 7 trees at Headington (5d.).
 - xx. HYLL, RICHARD. 1448-50. Carrier and woodman; carried 3 loads of stone from Headington to Oxford (16½d.), carried Thomas Harolde's 4th lot of lime to Oxford (2s.), was paid 16d. for load of straw for thatching masons' lodge and felled 16 elms (6d.) and carried them (10s. 1d.).
 - xxi. JOLYBERDE, JOHN. 1448-50. Carpenter; worked for 1½ days preparing timber.
 - xxii. WHYTE, WILLIAM (senior). 1448-50. Carpenter; worked during last 4 weeks of June (11 days at 4d.) removing bell tower roof.
 - xxiii. WHYTE, WILLIAM (junior). 1448-50. Carpenter; worked for first 3 weeks of June for 10 days at 3d. (probably son of previous man).
- (The carpenters from here down to No. XXX worked on the building of the bell tower and occur in the second building account.)
- xxiv. BRYTTER, PATRICK. 1450/51. Carpenter; worked for 5 days at 6d.
 - xxv. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1450-61. Carpenter; worked in 1450/1 for 7½ days at 6d. on building of bell tower. In 1460/1 made table for map (5s.).
 - xxvi. FFYNER, WILLIAM. 1450/1. Woodman; felled trees at Headington (3d.).
 - xxvii. HASCHE, RICHARD. 1450/1. Carpenter; worked for 5 days at 5d.
 - xxviii. JONSON, THOMAS. 1450/1. Master carpenter; worked at rate of 10d. a day.
 - xxix. PATRIC, PHILIP. 1450/1. Carpenter; worked for 5 days at 6d.
 - xxx. WILKYNS, JOHN. 1450/1. Carpenter; worked for 5 days at 6d.
 - xxxi. CARPENTER, MAURICE. 1454-6. Carpenter; took down old bell tower (4s.) in 1454/5 and repaired choir in 1455/6.
 - xxxii. WORTHE, WILLIAM. 1454-6. Carpenter; took down bells in 1454 (7s.) and in 1456 repaired timber work of latrines. On 15 Nov. 1455 lived in St. Giles parish and was surety for John Stopham, accused of carrying arms (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 350) and on 9 Aug. 1457 was put in prison for breaking the peace and for not coming at Chancellor's order (*Ibid.*, I, 381).

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- XXXIII. CARVER, WILLIAM. 1457/8. Carver; doing important work not named but perhaps on reredos; worked for 64 days with servant (71s.). In 1454-8 held a cottage called Marionhall in St. George's parish from Oseney Abbey (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 272).
- XXXIV. GYNER, ROBERT. 1457-61. Joiner; worked for 11 days on some big feature being erected in chapel (perhaps rood loft) in 1457/8 and in 1460/1 he made table and was given 20d. for coming from Bicester to remake map table.
- XXXV. SAWER, WILLIAM. 1459. Sawyer; paid 11s. for sawing wood.
- XXXVI. TEUTONICUS, JOHN. 1460/1. Carver; made 4 statues for library (8s. 4d.).
- XXXVII. THACKAM, JOHN. 1461/2. Carpenter; paid 2s. 11d. for 6 days on 'collistrigium'.
- XXXVIII. BRANCHE, JOHN [G]. 1468. Master carpenter.
- XXXIX. ANGELL, JOHN. 1471/2. Carpenter; in 1471/2 was paid 4d. for making gate by 'Bekysyn' and nails for it cost 2d. In 1472 worked for 3 days on outside work (18d.).
- XL. DOWELL, JOHN. 1471/2. Carpenter; worked on stable for 14 days (14s.) and for further day (5d.) and on house at Wormhall. In 1454-8 lived in house in St. George's parish, from 1461-5 in another cottage in same parish and from 1466/7 in house in St. Peter in the Bailey all belonging to Oseney (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 263, 271, 274).
- XLI. LYSBY [J]. 1473-84. Carpenter.
- XLII. BRYAN, (JOHN) [I]. 1474/5. Master carpenter.
- XLIII. SANDYR. 1478-90. Carpenter; in 1478 he and Lysby worked for 4½ days on chamber (4s. 3d.) and he worked alone on room for 5½ days (22d.). He and John Claughurne made doors in 1479 and in 1482 was doing carpenter's work at building of Wolvercote chancel. In 1484 he and Lysby went to Cuxham (4d.) and to Holywell. Sawnder worked for 4 days on Warden's house (20d.) and he and Lysby worked on accountant's room. In 1490 made gutters for a room and worked on lead (3s. 6d.).
- XLIV. CLAUGHURME, JOHN. 1479. Carpenter; he and Saunder made some doors by the kitchen.
- XLV. HYCKYS, (JOHN). 1480-2. Carpenter; he and Lysby worked for 6 days on bachelors' rooms and they received 11s. 6d. for work at Holywell. In 1482 they constructed roof of Wolvercote chancel.
- XLVI. TYBBARD, THOMAS. 1483. Carpenter; squared wood (2s. 2d.) and he and Lysby worked on gate (4 days at 10d. between them). They worked for 6 days squaring wood and built a paling (5s. 10d.); they also worked in accountant's room (13s.).
- XLVII. BYRCHE, JOHN. 11 Aug. 1486. Joiner of London; surety for John Fisher's contract to make rood loft for Merton College chapel (*Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 520-2).
- XLVIII. GEFREY, THOMAS. 7 Mar. 1488. Carpenter of Newbury; agreed to deliver 14 oak planks 20 in. by 6 in. by 13 ft. and 20 planks 17 in. by 5 in. by 13 feet, probably for new organ case (*Reg. Ann. Coll. Mert.*, 109-10).

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- XLIX. BELL, JOHN. 1488-1500. Carpenter ; in 1488 worked for five days at 6d. with servant (3s.) and he and others made paling by Warden's window : c. 1500 squared timber for trestles (10½ days 22d.).
- L. LATYMORE. 1490. Carpenter ; shaped oak and trimmed timber for new pulpitum (9d.).
- LI. ELYS, ROBERT. 1503/4. Carpenter ; made ladder.
- LII. FFYLPPS, WILLIAM. 1504. Carpenter ; worked on palings in high garden and paid 6d. for wood and fuel. Worked for 2 days on door (9d.).
- LIII. MYLES, (JOHN). 1504/5. Carpenter ; he, Fisher and Fisher's son made floor and worked for 3½ days (4s. 8d.).
- LIV. MAYFORD, RICHARD. 1508. Carpenter of Ipston (Ipsden) ; squared wood.
- LV. CROKE, JOHN. 1509. Sawyer ; sawed 20 pieces of wood (3s. 4d.).
- LVI. EDWARDS, JOHN. 1509. Carpenter ; made hurdles and squared wood.
- LVII. DUKE. 1511. Carpenter ; trimmed wood and made door for Clare's barn.
- LVIII. HIBERNICUS, JOHN. 1511. Carpenter's servant ; worked with Richard Harvey, dauber (3d.), on Warden's stable, cleaned it out and worked with carpenter on it (9½ days, 20d.).
- LIX. SAYWEL. 1511. Sawyer ; sawed planks and made wainscot.
- LX. WESTELL, WILLIAM. 1512. Carpenter ; made door in wall of large garden (6d.).
- LXI. NOTT, RICHARD. 1516/17. Sawyer ; sawed oak planks for stable at 12d. a hundred.
- LXII. NUTT, JOHN. 1516/17. Sawyer ; sawed oak ; perhaps a relative of Richard.
- LXIII. WRYGHT, JOHN. 1516/17. Carpenter ; worked on Alban Hall.
- LXIV. BROWNYNG. 1516-30. Carpenter ; given yearly fee of 8d. for looking after bells and was in charge of Magdalen bells also. In 1518/19 repaired bells and door of chapel (3 days, 18d.).
- LXV. MAYGOOD, RICHARD. 1516-18. Carpenter ; in 1516/17 was paid 6d. 'circa le heloyng' and he and servant worked on college stable, on Warden's room, on paling in Warden's garden, on various rooms, made beds and studies and made 'stockys' at Holywell, all at rate of 6d. a day. In 1518/19 repaired vestry and made 2 new seats (sedilia) in choir (13s. 4d.).
- LXVI. CARPENTER, RICHARD. 1517. Carpenter ; squared and planed wood at Ipstone (3s.), repaired 'empluvium' in high altar of college chapel and repaired wall in big garden.
- LXVII. AWELL, JOHN. 1520. Carpenter ; repaired room (12 days at 6d.) and worked on windows and study.
- LXVIII. BENTLEY, THOMAS. 1520. Sawyer ; sawed planks and studs for room repairs.
- LXIX. BYLBY. 1520. Carpenter ; prepared planks for chamber repairs.

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- LXX. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1520. Carpenter ; made tables for Porcioners Hall and worked on Mr. Tresham's room.
- LXXI. SCHERT, JOHN. 1520. Sawyer ; sawed planks and studs for chamber repairs.
- LXXII. LYNCH, JAMES [Q]. 1521/2. Carpenter ; Robert Carow's servant.
- LXXIII. TOWNSEND. 1521/2. Carpenter ; worked on wood in the kitchen and made paling for Oxford property.
- LXXIV. WRYTE, ROGER. 1521/2. Carpenter ; made paling for some Oxford Property.
- LXXV. PITTFIELD [S]. 1523. Sawyer.
- LXXVI. CARTER, JOHN. 1526. Woodman ; prepared oaks felled by Mr. Brown of Halton.
- LXXVII. CARVER, RICHARD. 1526. Carver ; 'operanti quoddam instrumentum astrologicum Collegij' (4 days, 2s. 8d.) and on other business (3s.).
- LXXVIII. KELYNG, JOHN. 1526. Carpenter ; prepared wood (3 days, 14d.).
- LXXIX. HARRYS. 1528. Carpenter ; paid for building kitchen at Basingstoke (20s.) and again for building activities there (£9 10s. 5½d.).

NEW COLLEGE

- I. HERLAND, HUGH [B]. 1388-90. Master carpenter.
- II. COTTERELL, (JOHN). 1390/1. Carpenter ; given commons in 1390/1. Mentioned in the Windsor Castle accounts (Hope, *Windsor Castle*, I, 222, 225). Perhaps related to Richard Coterel, carpenter of London who made agreement to rebuilt wharf on Thames for Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's in 1347 (Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 434-5).
- III. HICKMAN, WILLIAM [C]. 1390-1400. Master carpenter.
- IV. PHYLIPPS. 1392-6. Carpenter ; given commons in 1392/3 and 1395/6.
- V. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1396/7. Carpenter ; called the college carpenter and given commons twice in 1396/7. Roger le Carpentere and Agnes his wife were living in the N.E. ward at Lay Subsidy of 1380 when paid 2s. (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 27). On 3 Sept. 1390, when living in N.W. ward, Roger Carpenter was accused of taking too much for his work and in 1391 was fined 12d., William Masone de Eynesham being one of his sureties. Was again charged in 1394 (*Med. Archives*, II, 11, 37, 79, 86, 120).
- VI. WYSE, WILLIAM [D]. 1396-1400. Master carpenter.
- VII. BUSCH, JOHN. 1400-8. Carpenter of Newbury ; he and mate were given commons in 1400/1 and 1405/6, and he and brother received commons in 1407/8.
- VIII. JOYNOR, JOHN. 1402/3. Joiner ; received 13s. 4d. in complete payment for woodwork of bell tower windows.
- IX. HULL, ROBERT. 1406-9. Carpenter ; paid 20d. for 6 days work in 1406/7 preparing planks for choir stalls and in 1408/9 was paid for candlestick (scousie).

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- x. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1408-18. Master carpenter at building of chancel of Adderbury church.
- xi. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1408-18. Carpenter on the same job.
- xii. GYLKES, JOHN. 1408-26. Carpenter; worked at Adderbury and in 1410/11 was given livery by college and twice received commons. In next year was on a large amount of outside work and in particular was erecting house at Drayton. In 1412/13 was given livery and in 1418/19 was paid 5s. 3d. for covering drain in college. Chief work in 1421-3 was at Adderbury and in 1423/4 was working at Hayford. The last reference to work by him is at Chakmor (Chackmore) in 1425/6.
- xiii. JOYNOR, ADAM. 1410-12. Joiner; given livery in 1410/11 and 1411/12 while on outside work.
- xiv. CHALKE. 1411/12. Carpenter; carried timber at Drayton.
- xv. POPE, JOHN. 1418/19. Sawyer; sawed wood for drain cover made by Gylkes. Between 1390 and 1394 was accused and fined under Statute of Labourers for paying his servant William Stanley too much (*Med. Archives*, II, 34, 123).
- xvi. BARTON, WILLIAM. 1427/8. Servant to John Wyltsher; worked on new gate being built by the town's E. gate (6½ days at 5d. a day).
- xvii. JOYNOR, GILES [E]. 1427/8. Joiner.
- xviii. TREDWELL, JOHN. 1427/8. Servant to John Wyltsher; worked on new gate being built by the town's E. gate for 43 days at 5½d. a day. Also helped fit new lattice made by Giles Joynor for tower window.
- xix. WYLTHER, JOHN [F]. 1427-55. Carpenter.
- xx. CARPENTER, ROBERT. 1448-50. Carpenter; helped Wyltsher to fit planks above a large cupboard in inner vestry (2 days at 6d.) in 1448/9 and in next year was paid 4d. for repairing trestles of centre tables in hall.
- xxi. BRANCH, JOHN [G]. 1465/6. Master carpenter.
- xxii. JOYNOR, ROBERT. 1465/6. Joiner; worked on kitchen well-house for 10 days (5s. 2½d.).
- xxiii. DALTON. 1469/70. Carpenter; made cover for well in kitchen and paid 5s. 10d. including commons. Was also paid 6d. for plank for outer door for stable.
- xxiv. CARPENTER *alias* SAWYER, DIONISIUS. 1469-94. Carpenter; in 1461/2 held tenement in St. Peter's in the Bailey in front of Oseney Abbey (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 263-4). In 1469/70 worked with John Dowell in New College on planks for chapel roof, made column in cook's room and ladder (6 days at 4d. a day plus food and drink and 6d. for tools). Made paling for inner garden in 1494 (7 days at 6d.) and in same year worked on Warden's lodge.
- xxv. DOWELL, JOHN. 1469/70. Carpenter; worked on same job as Dionisius in 1469/70 at same rate. Later in same year was paid 2s. 1½d. for work above chapel.
- xxvi. BRYAN, JOHN [I]. 1470-80. Carpenter.

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- xxvii. PHILIPPS, JOHN. 1476-80. Carpenter; worked on well in 1476 (15s. 7d. plus commons for 9 weeks and nunschons, 9s.). In 1478/9 was responsible for timber work of new library receiving 4 payments amounting to 66s. 8d. as well as food and drink for 11 weeks.
- xxviii. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1476-80. Carpenter; worked on well in 1476 (15s. 7d. plus commons, 9s.). In 1479/80 new library was erected over the chequer and he received sums amounting to £5 4s. 4d. including commons. The late fifteenth century flat-pitched roof still existing was probably made by him and John Philipps.
- xxix. JOYNOR, PETER. 1483-5. Joiner; supplied reading desk on which hall bible could be placed in 1483/4 (8d.), repaired door in Repe's study for same amount and mended Founder's chest. In same year supplied 5 planks for house at Hayford, 3 other planks of elm and made door. In next year was paid 4d. for repairing 'batilment' in choir, worked at Hayford making doors and lattices for windows and worked also at Tingewick and made 12 wainscots.
- xxx. JOYNOR, SIMON. 1487-9. Joiner; made cupboard in 1487/8 and in 1488/9 repaired lattice in tower, wicket gate in great W. gate, and Warden's stables.
- xxxi. STURGYN. 1488/9. Carpenter; made new kitchen and other rooms at Byrchamber (Birchanger). This is probably John Sturgeon who was commissioned by Edward IV to supply timber to King's College, Cambridge, in 1480 (Willis and Clark, *Arch. Hist. Univ. Camb.*, 1, 473) and whose patent was renewed by Richard III in 1484. Thomas Sturgeon, doing carpenter's work at Queens College, Cambridge in 1448/9 and perhaps father of John, lived at Elsenham in Essex, only 3 miles from Birchanger (Willis and Clark, II, 7-11).
- xxxii. JOYNOR, NICHOLAS. 1494. Joiner; made door for Mr. ffrye's study, repaired other study doors and made windows for Warden's room.
- xxxiii. LONDON, JOHN. 1494-1506. Carpenter; was paid 13s. on 16 Mar. 1494 for timber bought at Dodyngton (Deddington) and in 1505/6 was paid 20s. for putting up new library.
- xxxiv. LAMBERT, JAMYS. 1496/7. Joiner; made lattice for bell tower (2s. 6d.) and repaired window (8d.).
- xxxv. THURLBY. 1496-1501. Carpenter; did much work over 2 years. In 1496/7 he and another made 5 book rests for nave of chapel. On 17 Jan. made chest to hold books of master and choristers. Repaired organ keys and was paid 11s. 3½d. for mould for lead. Made ceiling for altar in rood loft for 2s. 4d. and afterwards repaired posts in chaplains' room, lock of a door to the 'empty area', made doors and supplied the planks and he and his son were paid 6s. 3d. for 3½ days work. Was also busy in 1500/1. On 12 Jan. Thorelby made a salt cellar; on 30 Jan. he repaired Thomas Loke's bed. Next he fixed planks in bottom of hall chimney and on 10 Dec. repaired fuel shed. Repaired some windows, fixed 'hockebands' in company with Colyns, a smith, and on the 5 Mar. was paid 14d. for 'inbattelyng' a chest.

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- XXXVI. BORROW, RICHARD. 1500/1. Carpenter; mentioned as working in college.
- XXXVII. LEMYNGSTON, WILLIAM. 1500/1. Sawyer; sawed timber for 18½ days (18s. 6d.) and was paid 6d. for digging a ditch.
- XXXVIII. DARNALL, THOMAS. 1500-6. Carpenter of London whom college paid £14 6s. 8d. in 1500/1 for erecting a building in Mogewell Street, London, and in 1505/6 was paid a further £20.
- XXXIX. PHYLIPPS, JOHN [R]. 1505-25. Carpenter.
 - XL. SHELTON, THOMAS. 1505-10. Carpenter; received 58s. 5½d. for building and repairs in Oxford in 1505/6 and in 1509/10 was paid 6s. 4d. for timber used in belfry.
 - XLI. POLLYS, T. 1505/6. Sawyer; noted as working.
 - XLII. SPILDEN, JOHN. 1505/6. Sawyer; worked in college.
 - XLIII. JENKYNs. 1509-19. Carpenter; sawed wood in 1509/10 and in 1518/19 helped John Phylipps to build a house at Godstow.
 - XLIV. WASTELL. 1518/19. Carpenter; associated with John Phylipps and worked on roof of new house at Godstow. Was noted at Lay Subsidy of 1524 as labourer, lived in St. Giles parish and paid 4d. (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 67).
 - XLV. CARVER (CLARKE), ROBERT [W]. 1518/19. Carver.
 - XLVI. PITTEFYN, RICHARD [S]. 1518-23. Sawyer.
 - XLVII. LYNCH, JAMES [Q]. 1522-5. Carpenter and servant to Robert Carow.
 - XLVIII. CAROW, ROBERT [N]. 1524/5. Master carpenter.
 - XLIX. CRANLEY. 1524/5. Carpenter's servant; served Giles Manifflette.
 - L. MANIFLETTE, GILES. 1524/5. Carpenter; worked for 16 days squaring wood (8s.).
 - LI. CAXTON, (WILLIAM) [U]. 1529/30. Carpenter.
 - LII. SALTER, HENRY. 1529/30. Carpenter; squared wood in new 'hospicium'.

ORIEL COLLEGE

- I. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1409/10. Carpenter; noted as working.
- II. ROLL, WILLIAM. 1410-13. Master carpenter; paid £13 19s. 6d. for making new stalls for chapel in 1410/11, £10 12s. 7d. in 1411/12 and 19s. 4d. in 1413. In 1417 paid 20d. as part payment of his rent for house belonging to Exeter College (Boase, *Reg. Coll. Exon.* (1879), 15, 16).
- III. ZELBYRY. 1413/14. Worked at St. Bartholomew's Hospital (Oriel Treasurers Accounts, I, 172).
- IV. BUSCHE, (JOHN). 1414. Carpenter; paid 2s. for work on house and 1d. for nails.
- V. DALTON, JOHN. 1414. Carpenter; paid for 2 days work (4d.).
- VI. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1414/15. Mentioned as working.
- VII. CARPENTER, SYMON (Master). 1414/15. Worked in college.

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- VIII. DALTON, JOHN. 1452-4. Carpenter ; in 1452/3 was paid £35 for erecting 2 houses by wall in Cat Street and 13s. 4d. for enlarging house there. In 1453/4 received £4 6s. 8d. for house in Cat Street newly built.
- IX. SAWYER, DIONISIUS. 1455-7. Carpenter ; on 23 May 1452 was witness in Chancellor's court (*Reg. Canc.*, i, 265). In 1455/6 received £11 13s. 8d. for building 2 houses in St. Clement's parish and £5 8s. od. in 1456/7, but it is noted that the college had lost rents of houses for a term owing to his negligence. In 1461/2 occupied cottage in St. Peter in the Bailey belonging to Oseney Abbey (*Oseney Cart.*, iii, 263).
- X. CARPENTER, NICHOLAS. 1461-76. Carpenter ; in 1461/2 he and mate were repairing barn at Lytymore (Littlemore) (4s. 7d.) and he worked at Woodley and Lytymore in 1465/6. In 1467/8 made door for position above choir (6d.) and rode several times to Woodstock on college business (7s. 2d.) ; he and Edmund his servant repaired shop and made windows at St. Bartholomew's hospital. He inspected timber at Horsepath (4d.) in 1471/2, was paid £4 for various jobs, built gate at Tackley's Inn (£3 5s.) and made doorway and penthouse over well (15s.). Received 10s. owing to him in 1472/3 and in 1475/6 rode to Eynsham and Noke to see timber (1s. 2d.) and was paid £5 10s. for building gate in garden.
- XI. CARPENTER, EDMUND. 1467/8. Servant to Nicholas Carpenter doing outside work and was occupied at St. Bartholomew's hospital.
- XII. PHILPPYS, JOHN. 1471/2. Carpenter of Bresnorton (Brize Norton) ; built stable at Swan Inn for Oriel College and received £1 on account of £4 10s. Was also paid £1 in part payment for work at the 'Signum'.
- XIII. COLL, WILLIAM. 1475/6. Carpenter ; paid £5 6s. 8d. for building house in St. Peter's parish.
- XIV. SAWER, ROBERT. 1475/6. Woodman of Eynsham ; paid for 4 loads of elm (3s. 4d.) and for windlass and for planing timber (2s.).
- XV. BOW, WILLIAM. 1477/8. Carpenter ; trimmed trees at Noke Wood (9s. 11d.) and made fitting for kitchen (1s.).
- XVI. CARPINTER, WILLIAM. 1477/8. Carpenter ; made broad gate for garden (£1) and timber bought through him at Merston cost 2s. and firewood 2s. 3d.
- XVII. CRAY, JOHN. 1490/1. Woodman ; trimmed timber at Stow Wood (5s. 4d.).
- XVIII. CAROW, ROBERT [N]. 1491-1526. Master carpenter.
- XIX. GYLYS, RICHARD. 1491/2. Carpenter ; built new building at Deyne (Dean) and received 13s. 4d. in part payment.
- XX. JENKYNS, THOMAS. 1491-1519. Carpenter ; he and Robert Carow trimmed wood at Stow Wood (7s.) in 1491/2 and was working in the college in 1514/15. In 1515/16 roofed a shop (£2 10s.) and was paid 3s. 4d. for a beam, and in 1518/19 he made roof above a window (1s. 1d.).
- XXI. HOGSEW. 1509-11. Carpenter ; in 1509/10 he and Palmer trimmed wood at St. Bartholomew's hospital (2s. 1d.). Received 6s. for working on new building there and 4d. for 3 burdens of moss. In 1510/11 he dug

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- stone, prepared wood at Stowford (1s.) and worked at St. Bartholomew's hospital (7s.).
- XXII. KYNG, THOMAS. 1509/10. Carpenter; repaired Provost's room (6 days at 6d.).
- XXIII. PALMER. 1509/10. Carpenter; made a pact for building at St. Bartholomew's hospital (2d.), prepared wood for it (8s. 5d.) and made beds (6d.).
- XXIV. ATKYNS. 1510-20. Carpenter or woodman of Headington; in 1510/11 he prepared wood at Stowford (7s.) and in 1519/20 he trimmed wood for 21 days (4s. 7d.).
- XXV. NUTT. 1515/16. Sawyer; sawed 200 ft. of planks and 12 studs (10s. 4d.).
- XXVI. WRYGTH, ROGER. 1516-20. Carpenter; in 1515/17 repaired posts supporting vine (1s. 3d.), did the same job in 1519/20 (1s. 3d.) and fitted new studies and door (2s.).
- XXVII. PAWMER, JOHN (probably Palmer). 1523-5. Carpenter; repaired Grene's house in 1523/4 and that of the Prior of St. Bartholomew's hospital, and in 1524/5 he repaired walls at St. Bartholomew's (2s. 4d.) and built a house (7s.).
- XXVIII. CAXTON, WILLIAM [U]. 1524-26. Carpenter.
- XXIX. COLMAN. 1525/6. Carpenter; he and 2 others made new drain (10s. 7½d.).

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- I. CARPENTER, HENRY. 1351-79. Carpenter; most of career of Henry Carpenter is covered by the period before 1370, and he worked consistently from 1351/2 onwards. In 1369/70 he received 20s. for work in college and sold some hay and in 1378/9 repaired a room. It is possible that two men are involved. A Henry Carpenter lived in tenement belonging to St. John's Hospital near its gateway in 1353 and continued to reside until 21 Dec. 1371 at least. In her will dated 1 July 1374 Agnes his widow left the tenement to her kinsman Thomas Fleschere (*Cart. St. John*, I, 103, 105, III, 101, 106, 112, 117, 122, 128, 136, 141, 148). At Lay Subsidy of 1380 a Henry le Carpenter and Elena his wife paid 18d. in the SE. ward and in same ward another Henry le Carpenter paid 6d. (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 9 and 13).
- II. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1353-92. Carpenter; in 1353-5 was paid 4d., given a meal and supplied lime. He and Henry Carpenter were paid 5s. at this time also. In 1391/2 was working on new latrine, was given 2d. for a pair of gloves, was paid 18d. for a plank, received 8d. on Andrew Carpenter's advice and was given a reward of 4d.
- III. BATHE, ROBERT [A]. 1361-96. Carpenter.
- IV. BENET, RICHARD. 1378/9. Carpenter; worked on chapel (23s. 4d.). In 1380 he and his wife Johanna lived in the SW. ward and paid 18d. Lay Subsidy and his servant Isabella 4d. (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 15).
- V. CARPENTER, PETER. 1378/9. Carpenter; made windows for new chapel (13s. 6d.).

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- VI. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1386-1402. Carpenter ; rented a college garden in 1386/7 and in 1389/90, and in 1395/6 he and mate made a 'porticus' (3s. 6d.). Worked for 3 days on a room in 1401/2. In 1380 when living in the NE. ward he and his wife Alicia paid 18d. Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 21). In 1391/2 was accused and fined 5 times under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 3, 5, 39, 44, 78, 100, 111). Between 1384 and 1397 he lived in house belonging to St. John's Hospital inside the E. gate on the N. side (*Cart. St. John*, III, 200, 207, 215, 222, 226, 235, 244, 248).
- VII. CARPENTER, ANDREW. 1388-93. Carpenter ; received 25s. 8d. in 1388/9 for making library desks and in 1390/1 was paid for 'twisses' (20d.) and received a mark. In 1391/2 repaired outside property (20d.), was paid 3d. for nails, received 30s. 9d. for building latrine and controlled work done by William Carpenter. In 1392/3 boys carrying desks from Andrew's house were paid 1½d. and Andrew Carpenter received 29s. 2d. for work on desks, 3d. for nails and 8d. for twists for door to enclosure within library. Received further 26s. 8d. for making desks and 10s. for planks. Between 1367/9 Andrew rented cottage inside the E. gate from the Hospital of St. John (*Cart. St. John*, III, 149, 155, 166), and in 1377 he and his wife and a servant Rosa were living in St. Peter's in the East and paid Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 51). By 1380 he and his wife Juliana were living in SE. ward when they paid subsidy of 2s. (*Ibid.*, 8), c. 1387/8 he rented 6 cottages in St. Peter's in the East belonging to Oseney Abbey (*Oseney Cart.*, III, 176, 183). Between 1390 and 1394 was charged and fined under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 10, 33, 123).
- VIII. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1400-20. Carpenter ; in 1400/1 he and his servants received 23s. 8d. in part payment for work on new hall. There are many other payments to an unnamed carpenter at this time. In 1401/2 he and mates worked for 4 weeks (23s.) on new hall. Timber bought through him in 1403/4 cost 23s. In 1407/8 he worked on new shop and he and 3 others prepared timber (6s. 6d.), his boy earned 4d. and his servant 14d. Was making new ceiling to chapel in 1411/12 (20s.) and the carpenter in charge of this work, probably Roger, earned 53s. 4½d. in 1412/13 and was given gloves. In 1415/16 he mended ladders, made new one and constructed door (2s.). He did 3 days work in 1419/20 (15d.).
- IX. CARPENTER, NICHOLAS. 1401/2. Carpenter ; worked for 8 days on chambers (28d.).
- X. TYLL, JOHN. 1419/20. Carpenter ; received 5s. 3d. for making chest and for carrying it from his house.
- XI. DENMORE, THOMAS. 1427/8. Sawyer ; sawed wood and carried some for fuel.
- XII. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1431/2. Carpenter ; paid for 2 days work.
- XIII. CARPENTER, THOMAS. 1431-7. Carpenter ; in 1431/2 he was given 8d. reward, was paid 4s. 3d. in 1433/4 and was working at Sparsholt rectory in 1436/7.

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- XIV. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1440-70. Carpenter ; trimmed wood for a paling (14s.) in 1440/1, received 25s. 10d. in 1443/4, worked for 2 days (12d.) and was a dauber on one of the shops in 1464/5, and in 1469/70 repaired kitchen at Sparsholt rectory.
- XV. CARPENTER, RICHARD. 1447/8. Carpenter ; lived in a college shop.
- XVI. CARPENTER, ROBERT. 1453-75. Carpenter ; in 1453/4 was paid 5s. 8d. worked on a room (10d.) and did outside repairs. Worked for 2½ days on windows of room under library (12½d) in 1461/2 and repaired Provost's stable (6d.). In 1464/5 worked for a day (6d.), mended chest in promptuary (2d.), and repaired shops (9d.). Took down lamp in 1465/6, worked for 1½ days (6d.) in 1466/7 and in next year repaired window in Provost's room, trimmed 2 pieces of wood (3d.) and worked on tenements. In 1470/1 repaired various utensils (3d.) and in 1471/2 repaired studies and shops. Worked for 2½ days (15d.) in 1472/3, mended garden gate and did shop repairs, in 1473/4 made table, repaired kitchen table and repaired shops and in 1474/5 mended shop window.
- XVII. FFEDDERSTON, WILLIAM. 1468-71. Carpenter ; owed 20s. to college in 1468/9, 18s. 8d. in 1469/70 and in 1470/1 was renting house.
- XVIII. CAROW, ROBERT [N]. 1493-1519. Master carpenter.
- XIX. AMBROSE, JOHN. 1516/17. Carpenter ; he and John Sharpe were paid for trimming wood for chapel scaffold (12d.).
- XX. SCULPTOR (CLARKE) (CARVER), ROBERT [W]. 1516/17. Carver.
- XXI. JENKYNs, THOMAS. 1516/17. Carpenter ; paid for ceiling library and for taking away old timber from chapel (56s. 8d.) and given 1d., as an earnest.
- XXII. SHARPE, JOHN. 1516/17. Carpenter ; he and John Ambrose paid for trimming wood for chapel scaffold (12d.).

APPENDIX II

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF CARPENTERS WORKING AT OXFORD OR FOR OXFORD COLLEGES BETWEEN 1370 AND 1530

The capital letter in brackets after a name indicates the position of the carpenter's biography above (p. 120). The Roman numeral after a college's name indicates the carpenter's place in the college lists in Appendix I (All Souls, p. 144 ; Cardinal, p. 148 ; Lincoln, p. 149 ; Magdalen, p. 152 ; Merton, p. 159 ; New College, p. 164 ; Oriel, p. 167 ; Queen's, p. 169).

1. ACHAM, JOHN. 1395/7. Carpenter ; held a house of St. John's Hospital in St. Aldates (*Cart. St. John*, III, 251).
2. AKYRS, ROBERT. 1490/1. Magdalen (xx).
3. AMBROSE, JOHN. 1516/17. Queen's (xix).
4. ANGELL (*alias* CUNWYN), JOHN. 1452-72. All Souls (xlii), Merton (xxxix).
5. ARCHER, WILLIAM. 1513-16. Magdalen (lxxxii).
6. ASCHE, JOHN. 1448-50. Merton (xiii).

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7. ASE, JOHN. 1500/1. Magdalen (xlvi).
8. AESCHE (AYSSHE), PHILIP. 1451-6. All Souls (xxxiii).
9. ASH, RICHARD. 1474/5. Magdalen (iv).
10. ASCHE (AYSSHE), WILLIAM. 1448-53. All Souls (xxxiv), Merton (xiv).
11. ASSKE, RALPH. 1502/3. Magdalen (li).
12. ATKIS, THOMAS. 1518/19. Magdalen (lxxxviii).
13. ATKYNS. 1510-20. Oriel (xxiv).
14. AWELL, JOHN. 1520. Merton (lxvii).
15. BADCOKE. 1526/7. Magdalen (cx).
16. BALL. 1526/7. Magdalen (cx).
17. BALLE, RICHARD. 1524/5. Cardinal College (v).
18. BARBOR, JOHN. 1440/1. All Souls (xiii).
19. BARTON, WILLIAM. 1427/8. New College (xvi).
20. BATE, WILLIAM. 1439/40. All Souls (viii).
21. BATH, ROBERT [A]. 1361-96. Queen's (iii), Merton.
22. BEDEWYN (BODWYN), RICHARD. 1455-57. All Souls (xxxviii).
23. BEDYLL, THOMAS. 1510/11. Magdalen (lxxii).
24. BEEN, WILLIAM. 1451/2. All Souls (xxx).
25. BEKEWODE, RICHARD. 1391/2. Sawyer ; living in the Hundred outside the N. gate and accused and fined twice under Statute of Labourers ; Nicholas Carpenter and William Stanlake, mason, were among his sureties (*Med. Archives*, II, 57, 58, 81, 95).
26. BELL, HENRY. 1448/9. Merton (xv).
27. BELL, JOHN. 1476-1500. Lincoln (iii), Merton (xliv).
28. BELL. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxii).
29. BENET, RICHARD. 1380. Queen's (iv).
30. BENTLEY, THOMAS. 1520. Merton (lxviii).
31. BLADON JOHN. 1450/1. All Souls (xxviii).
32. BLOXHAM, THOMAS. 1387-91. Merton (iv).
33. BLOXLEY. 3 Dec. 1461. Sawyer ; mentioned as a surety (*Reg. Canc.*, II, 71).
34. BORO, NICHOLAS. 1504. Lincoln (xiii).
35. BOROW, RICHARD [M]. 1490-1511. Lincoln (ix), Magdalen (xxvi), New College (xxxvi).
36. ?BORTWELL, JOHN. 1380. Carpenter ; living in St. Mary Magdalen parish when he and his wife Agnes paid 2s. 8d. at Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 37).
37. BOW, WILLIAM. 1477/8. Oriel (xv).
38. BOWDEN, JOHN. 1474. Magdalen (v).
39. BOWMAN, JOHN. 1508-11. All Souls (lv).
40. BOYS, ROBERT [V]. 1512-14. Lincoln (xxxv), Magdalen (lxxix).
41. BOYS (BOWYS), RICHARD. 1511-12. Magdalen (probably Robert Boys).
42. BRANCHE, JOHN [A]. 1437-68. All Souls (i), Merton (xxxviii), New College (xxi).
43. BROWN, JOHN. 1520-5. Magdalen (ciii).
44. BROWNYNG. 1508-20. Lincoln (xxiv), Merton (lxiv).
45. BRYAN, JOHN [I]. 1470-80. Magdalen (vi), Merton (xlii), New College (xxvi).
46. BRYTTER, PATRICK. 1450/1. Merton (xxiv).
47. BURNEY, THOMAS. 1509/10. Lincoln (xxvii).

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48. BUSCH, JOHN. 1400-68. New College (vii), Oriel (iv).
49. BYLBY. 1520/1. Merton (LXIX).
50. BYGGE, JOHN. 1526/7. Lincoln (LII).
51. BYRCHE, JOHN. 1486. Merton (XLVII).
52. BYRDE, JOHN. 1524/5. Cardinal College (vi).
53. BUTLER, THOMAS. 1503/4. Magdalen (LVI).
54. CAROW (KEREWEE), ROBERT [N]. 1491-1531. All Souls (L), Cardinal College (I), Corpus Christi, Magdalen (XXXIII), New College (XLVIII), Queen's (XVIII), Oriel (XVIII), Lincoln (XXXIX).
55. CARPENTER, ALEXANDER. 1490/1. Magdalen (XXI).
56. CARPENTER, ANDREW. 1367-93. Queens (VII).
57. CARPENTER, DAVID. 1477/8. Lincoln (IV).
58. CARPENTER (SAWYER), DIONISIUS. 1452-94. Magdalen (XIX), New College, (XXIV), Oriel (IX).
59. CARPENTER, EDMUND. 1467-78. Lincoln (V), Oriel (XI).
60. CARPENTER, GEOFFREY. 1503-12. Lincoln (XI), Magdalen (LXXV).
61. CARPENTER, HENRY. 1351-80. Queen's (I).
62. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1390-2. Carpenter; living in SE. ward when accused and fined under Statute of Labourers in 1390. Was again accused in 1392 but justified himself (*Med. Archives*, II, 10, 33, 101, 107).
63. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1380-5. Carpenter; servant of Master and Brethren of St. John's Hospital and paid 12d. as Lay Subsidy in 1380 (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 40). In 1384/5 lived in house belonging to St. John's Hospital inside E. gate (*Cart. St. John*, III, 200, 207).
64. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1392. Carpenter; lived in the Hundred outside the N. gate when accused and fined under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 103, 110).
65. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1392. Carpenter; lived in the NW. ward when accused under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 79).
66. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1390/1. Merton (V).
67. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1408-18. New College (X).
68. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1414/5. Oriel (VI).
69. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1431/2. Queen's (XII).
70. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1442-5. Merton (XII).
71. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1455/6. All Souls (XXXIX).
72. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1469/70. New College.
73. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1500/1. Magdalen (XLVIII).
74. CARPENTER, JOHN. 1505-9. Lincoln.
75. CARPENTER, LAWRENCE. 1505/6. All Souls (LII), Lincoln (XVI).
76. CARPENTER, MAURICE. 1454-6. Merton (XXXI).
77. CARPENTER, MICHAEL. 1462/3. All Souls (XXXV).
78. CARPENTER, NICHOLAS. 1380-1402. Merton (VI), Queen's (IX).
79. CARPENTER, NICHOLAS. 1461-76. Oriel (X).
80. CARPENTER, PETER. 1369-80. Merton (I), Queen's (V).
81. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1380-1402. Queen's (VI).
82. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1450-61. Merton (XXV).
83. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1476-80. New College (XXVIII).
84. CARPENTER, PHILIP. 1492/3. Lincoln (X).

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85. CARPENTER, REGINALD. 1505/6. Lincoln (xvii).
86. CARPENTER, RICHARD. 1447/8. Queen's (xv).
87. CARPENTER, RICHARD. 1508/9. Lincoln (xxv).
88. CARPENTER, RICHARD. 1517/18. Merton (LXVI).
89. CARPENTER, ROBERT. 1453-90. All Souls (xxiii), Lincoln (i), Magdalen (xvii), New College (xx), Queen's (xvi) (possibly not all the same man).
90. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1380-1440. Merton (vii), New College (v), Oriel (i), Queen's (viii) (possibly not all the same man). Also worked for the city in 1404/5 (*Mun. Civ. Oxon.*, O.H.S., LXXI (1917), 279).
91. CARPENTER, ROGER. 1520/1. Magdalen (cv), Merton (LXX).
92. CARPENTER, ROLAND. 1394/5. Carpenter; living in NW. ward when accused under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 120).
93. CARPENTER, SYMON. 1414/15. Oriel (vii).
94. CARPENTER, STEPHEN. 1379/80. Merton (iii).
95. CARPENTER, THOMAS. 1377-80. Carpenter; living in St. Cross (Holywell) at Lay Subsidy of 1377 and in NE. ward at the 1380 Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 27, 52).
96. CARPENTER, THOMAS. 1392/3. Carpenter; living in NW. ward when accused 3 times and fined once under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 79, 100, 104, 111).
97. CARPENTER, THOMAS. 1431-37. Queen's (xiii).
98. CARPENTER, WALTER. 1380-92. Carpenter; living in SW. ward with Lucia his wife and paid 2s. at Lay Subsidy of 1380 (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 20). Was accused twice and fined once under Statute of Labourers in 1392 (*Med. Archives*, II, 83, 91, 121).
99. CARPENTER, WALTER. 1474. Magdalen (vii).
100. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1380/1. Carpenter; lived in NE. ward with his wife Juliana and paid 18d. at Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 21).
101. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1353-92. Queen's (ii) (probably two men).
102. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1408-18. New College (xi).
103. CARPENTER, WILLIAM. 1437-90. All Souls (ii, XLIX), Magdalen (i), Oriel (xvi), Queen's (xiv) (probably several men).
104. CARTER, JOHN. 1526/7. Merton (LXXVI).
105. CARTAR, THOMAS. 1511/12. Lincoln (xxviii).
106. CARUN, DIONISIUS. 1457/8. All Souls (xlv).
107. CARVER, RICHARD. 1526/7. Merton (LXXVII).
108. CARVER, WILLIAM. 1457/8. Merton (XXXIII).
109. CARWALL. 1520/1. Magdalen (xcvii).
110. CASBY, JOHN. 1523/4. Lincoln (xli).
111. CASSON, JOHN. 1495-1524. Magdalen (xxxvii).
112. CASSON, WILLIAM. 1511/12. Lincoln (xxix).
113. CAWDRY, RICHARD. 1439-41. All Souls (ix).
114. CAXTON, THOMAS [X]. 1520-30. Cardinal College (iv), Magdalen (civ).
115. CAXTON, WILLIAM [U]. 1511-30. Lincoln (LVII), Magdalen (LXXXVIII), New College (LI), Oriel (xxviii).
116. CHALKE. 1411-12. New College (xiv).
117. CHURCHYERD, ROBERT. 1484-8. Magdalen (xviii).
118. CLARKE, HARRY. 1525/6. Cardinal College (xiii).

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119. CLARKE, ROBERT. 1482/3. Magdalen (xvi).
120. CLARKE (CARVER), ROBERT [23]. 1516-21. Magdalen (xcii), New College (xlv), Queen's (xx).
121. CLAUGHURME, JOHN. 1479/80. Merton (xliv).
122. CLERKE, CORNELL (CORNELIUS) [T]. 1506-26. Corpus Christi, Magdalen (lxix, c).
123. CLOBERRY. 1448-50. Merton (xvi).
124. COKE, HUMPHREY [P]. 1499-1531. Cardinal College (xiv), Corpus Christi.
125. COKKS, HENRY. 1500/1. Magdalen (xliv).
126. COLL, WILLIAM. 1475/6. Oriel (xiii).
127. COLMAN. 1525-7. Magdalen (cxiii), Oriel (xxix).
128. DE COLONIA, JOHN [Y]. 1521-5. Magdalen (cvi).
129. DE COLONIA, CHARLES. 1524/5. Magdalen (cviii).
130. COLYN (COLEY), WILLIAM. 1517-21. Corpus Christi, Magdalen (xcviii).
131. COSSE, JOHN. 1495/6. Magdalen (xxxv).
132. COTERELL. 1390/1. New College (ii).
133. COWPER, ALEXANDER. 1511/12. Lincoln (xxx), Magdalen (lxxxvi).
134. COWPER, THOMAS. 1523/4. Lincoln (xlii).
135. CRANLEY. 1524/5. New College (xlix).
136. CRAY, JOHN. 1490/1. Oriel (xvii).
137. CRAY, THOMAS. 1457-9. All Souls (xlvi).
138. CROWE, JOHN. 1509. Merton (lv).
139. DALTON, JOHN. 1414/15. Oriel (v).
140. DALTON, JOHN. 1449-72. All Souls (xxvii), Merton (xvii), Oriel (viii).
141. DALTON, WILLIAM. 1459-70. All Souls (xlvii), New College (xxiii).
142. DANYELL, THOMAS. 1506/7. Magdalen (lxvi). In 1546 he worked at the dismantling of Oseney (Bodl. MS. Top. Oxon., 616 f, 5a).
143. DARNALL, THOMAS. 1500-6. New College (xxxviii).
144. DAYELL, THOMAS. 1474/5. Magdalen (viii).
145. DENMORE, THOMAS. 1427/8. Queen's (xi).
146. DEYLL, JOHN. 1494-9. Magdalen (xxxii).
147. DEW, THOMAS. 1524/5. Lincoln (xlviii), Cardinal College (*Oxoniensia*, viii/ix (1943-4), 143).
148. DEWLYNG (TEWLYNG), WALTER. 1498/9. Magdalen (xlii).
149. DOGOOD, HENRY. 1500/1. Magdalen (l).
150. DONE (DOWNE), HENRY. 1494-6. MAGDALEN (xxxi).
151. DOWELL, JOHN. 1454-72. Merton (xl). New College (xxv).
152. DUKE. 1511/12. Merton (lvii).
153. DYKER, WILLIAM. 1455/6. Lincoln (ii).
154. EDWARDS, JOHN. 1509/10. Merton (lvi).
155. ELYS, ROBERT. 1503/4. Merton (li).
156. EVERTON, JOHN. 1477/8. Lincoln (vi).
157. FERE, RICHARD. 8 Oct. 1450. Carpenter; surety for debt owed by Mr. William Mallam (*Reg. Canc.*, i, 219).
158. FFETHERSTON (FFEDDERSTON), WILLIAM. 1450-71. All Souls (xxix), Queen's (xvii).
159. FISCHER (FFYSHER, FYSCHER), JOHN [L]. 1486-1505. Magdalen (xxvii), Merton (*cf.* xlvii).

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160. FISHER, THOMAS. 1503/4. Lincoln (xii).
161. FLEMING, JAMES. 1528/9. Cardinal College (xv).
162. Ffolan, PHILIP. 1451/2. All Souls (xxxi).
163. FOX, RALPH. 1508/9. All Souls (liv).
164. FRAUNKELEYN, WILLIAM. 1361-91. Carpenter; in 1361/2 William Franklyn received £123 6s. 8d. in part payment of £111 6s. 8d. for constructing long chamber with entrechoses, windows and doors at Windsor Castle (Hope, *Windsor Castle*, I, 185, 206) and in 1363/5 was paid £6 13s. 4d. in discharge of the 200 marks (*Ibid.*, I, 189, 209). Contract entrusted to him by William of Wykeham and possible that he was one of carpenters working at New College, for in 1391 he lived in SW. ward and was accused and fined under Statute of Labourers. On 29 Sept. 1383 St. John's Hospital granted him lease of tenement above Candiche in Holywell and his wife Juliana was mentioned (*Cart. St. John*, II, 347).
165. FREMAN, JOHN. 1505/6. Lincoln (xviii).
166. FFYFIDE, WILLIAM. 1380-91. Carpenter; living in SE. ward with his wife Juliana. They paid 12d. Lay Subsidy in 1380 (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 13), and he was accused and fined under Statute of Labourers in 1391 and fined again for contempt later (*Med. Archives*, II, 10, 33, 66).
167. FFYLYPPS, WILLIAM. 1504/5. Merton (lii).
168. FFYNER, WILLIAM. 1450/1. Merton (xxxvi).
169. FUSTYNG, JOHN. 1506-8. Magdalen (lxx).
170. GARVEY, THOMAS. 1490/1. Magdalen (xxii).
171. GEFFREY, THOMAS. 1488/9. Merton (xlvi).
172. GELLAM, THOMAS. 1505/6. Magdalen (lxiv).
173. GELYFFE, ROBERT. 1515-17. Magdalen (lxxxiv).
174. GILES. 1520/1. Magdalen (xcv).
175. GISSEBY, JOHN. 1524/5. Carpenter; lived in St. Mary Magdalen parish and paid 12d. at Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 68).
176. GODARD, JOHN. 11 June 1466. Husbandman of Bokylbury in Berks.; agreed to make desks and benches for new theological school, 37 of each to be fitted before St. Andrew's feast under penalty of 40s. (*Reg. Canc.*, II, 185).
177. GOLDFYNCH, JOHN. 1392/3. Carpenter; living in NW. ward when accused and fined under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 79, 86).
178. GRAUNT, PHILIP, 1498/9. Magdalen (xliii).
179. GROFE (see 180).
180. GROVE, 1448/52. Merton (xviii).
181. GRYFFEN, DIONISIUS. 1495/6. Magdalen (xxxvi).
182. GRYFFTH, HUGH. 1451-2. All Souls (xxxii).
183. GRYFYTH. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxiv).
184. GYLKES, JOHN. 1408-26. New College (xii).
185. GYLLAM, BARTHOLOMEW. 1524-7. Cardinal College (vii), Magdalen (cxv).
186. GYLLAM, THOMAS. 1524-7. Cardinal College (viii), Magdalen (cxvi).
187. GYLUDY, (GYLNEY). 1529/30. Magdalen (cxxxvii).
188. GYLYS, RICHARD. 1491/2. Oriel (xvii).
189. GYNER (see JOYNER).
190. HADDOW, ROBERT. 1474/5. Magdalen (ix).
191. HALLE, THOMAS. 1474/5. Magdalen (x).

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192. HANSON, JOHN. 1529/30. Magdalen (cxxxviii).
193. HAROLDE, THOMAS. 1490/1. Magdalen (xxiii).
194. HARRYS. 1528/9. Merton (xxix).
195. HARWOLDE, JOHN. 1391/2. Carpenter of St. Neots; agreed to build barn for Balliol College at Abbotsley, Hunts. (*Balliol College Archives*, E. 7/31).
196. HASE, JOHN. 1505/9. Lincoln (xv).
197. HASCHE, RICHARD. 1450/1. Merton (xxvii).
198. HAUKER, WILLIAM. 1380/1. Carpenter; lived in SW. ward with Agnes his wife and paid 2s. Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 19).
199. HAWKYSLEY, JOHN. 27 Nov. 1457. Carpenter; promised in Chancellor's Court that he would take his wife away from the University, never to return (*Reg. Canc.*, I, 391).
200. HEDYNDONE, JOHN. 1390-2. Carpenter; lived in SW. ward and was accused under Statute of Labourers but had nothing in the town or suburbs that could be taken as pledge. In Jan. 1392 the Sheriff was ordered to produce him and he was fined 10d. (*Med. Archives*, II, 9, 15, 72).
201. HERBERD, JOHN. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxvii).
202. HERLAND, HUGH [B], 1360-1405. New College (I).
203. HERRESON, JOHN. 1506/7. Lincoln (xxiii).
204. HERYSON, WILLIAM. 1513/14. Magdalen (LXXXI).
205. HEWITH, REGINALD. 1503/4. Magdalen (LVII).
206. HEYNS, JOHN. 1496-1505. Magdalen (supplied timber for new tower).
207. HEYWORTH. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxviii).
208. HIBERNICUS, JOHN. 1511/12. Merton (LVIII).
209. HICKMAN, (OKENHAM, HYKENHAM), WILLIAM [C]. 1390-1400. New College (III).
210. HOBBS, JOHN. 1440/1. All Souls (xiv).
211. HOGSEW. 1509-11. Oriel (xxi).
212. HUGH (a carver). 1520/1. Magdalen (xciv).
213. HULL, JOHN. 1409/10. Merton (viii).
214. HULL, ROBERT. 1406-9. New College (ix).
215. HUTT, WILLIAM. 1448-50. Merton (xix).
216. HYKKS, (HYCKYS), JOHN. 1471-82. Magdalen (II), Merton (xlv).
217. HYLL, RICHARD. 1448-50. Merton (xx).
218. IRISSHE, JOHN. 1380-92. Carpenter; lived in SE. ward with his wife Christine and paid 11d. at Lay Subsidy of 1380 (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 13). Was living in the Hundred outside the N. gate and was termed labourer in 1392 when he was accused under Statute of Labourers but did not appear before the court (*Med. Archives*, II, 103, 111, 116).
219. JACKS, W., 1524/5. Cardinal College (ix).
220. JENKYNs, THOMAS. 1491-1519. Lincoln (xiv), New College (xliii), Oriel (xx), Queen's (xxi). On the common council of the city of Oxford, 1518 (*Turner, Rec. City Oxf.*, 21).
221. JOHN (a carver). 1520/1. Magdalen (xcv).
222. JOHNSON, ROBERT. 1523/4. Lincoln (xliii).
223. JOLLE, RICHARD. 1510/11. Magdalen (LXXXIII).
224. JOLYBERDE, JOHN. 1448-50. Merton (xxi).
225. JONSON, THOMAS. 1450/1. Merton (xxviii).

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226. JONYS, NICHOLAS. 1495-1502. Magdalen (xxxviii).
227. JONYS, RICHARD. 1495-1511. Magdalen (xxxix).
228. JONYS, ROGER. 1426/7. Merton (x).
229. JOYNOR, ADAM. 1410-12. New College (xiii).
230. JOYNOR, GEORGE. 1440-42. All Souls (xx).
231. JOYNOR, GILES [E]. 1427-42. All Souls (xi), New College (xvii).
232. JOYNOR, JOHN. 1402/3. New College (viii).
233. JOYNOR, NICHOLAS. 1494. New College (xxxii).
234. JOYNER, PETER. 1483/5. New College (xxix).
235. JOYNER (GYNER), ROBERT. 1457-66. Magdalen (Lxi), Merton (xxxiv), New College (xxii).
236. JOYNER, SIMON. 1487-9. New College (xxx).
237. KELYNG, JOHN. 1526. Merton (Lxxviii).
238. HENETT, WILLIAM. 1494/5. Magdalen (xxx).
239. KYNG, THOMAS. 1509/10. Oriel (xxii).
240. KYRKEBY, JOHN. 1440/1. All Souls (xv).
241. KYRKEBY, WILLIAM. 1440/1. All Souls (xvi).
242. LAMBERT (LAMBARDE), JAMES. 1491-7. Magdalen (xxix), New College (xxxiv).
243. LANDER (LAWNDE), JOHN. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxix, cxx).
244. LANSLET. 1520/1. Lincoln (xl).
245. LATYMOR. 1490/1. Merton (l).
246. LEDYS (CEDYS), WILLIAM. 1502/5. Magdalen (lii).
247. LEMYNGSTON, WILLIAM. 1500/1. New College (xxxvii).
248. LIGHT, JAMES. 1503/4. Magdalen (lviii).
249. LIGHT, WILLIAM. 1503-11. Magdalen (lix).
250. LONDON, JOHN. 1494-1506. New College (xxxiii).
251. LONGE, MAURICE. 1490/1. Magdalen (xxiv).
252. LOWE, JOHN. 1437/8. All Souls. Sold wood to college from Shotover.
253. LYNCH, DIONISIUS. 1498/9. Magdalen (xliv).
254. LYNCH, JAMES [Q]. 1504-25. Magdalen (lxii), Merton (Lxxii), New College (xlvi).
255. LYONS, ROBERT. 1439/40. All Souls (vi).
256. LYSBY [J]. 1473-80. Merton (xli).
257. MAGUDE (MAYGOOD), RICHARD. 1516-22. Magdalen (cvii), Merton (lxv).
258. MALYN (MAYLYN), JOHN. 1377-91. Carpenter; at Lay Subsidy of 1377 was living at Holy Cross. In 1390/1 when living in NW. ward was charged and fined under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 11, 37).
259. MANIFLETTE, GILES. 1524/5. New College (l).
260. MARCH, JOHN. 1526/7. Lincoln (liii).
261. MARKS. 1484/5. New College. Sold timber for building of house in St. Aldates.
262. MARTYN, JOHN. 1511/12. Lincoln (xxxi).
263. MARTYN. 1520-5. Magdalen (cii).
264. MATHEW, HARRY. 1523/4. Lincoln (xliv).
265. MAYFORD, RICHARD. 1508/9. Merton (liv).
266. MAYNE, JOHN. 1440/1. All Souls (xvii).

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267. MAYOW, ROBERT. 1449/50. All Souls (xxv).
268. MAYSCH, JOHN. 1448/9. All Souls (xxi).
269. MEDE, WILLIAM. 1439/40. All Souls (xii).
270. MEKYNs, JOHN. 1524/5. Lincoln (xlx).
271. MELYLTON, JOHN. 1439/40. All Souls. Worked for a week in January but job not mentioned. Building Acts, fo. 31.
272. MERCHAM. 1326/7. Magdalen. (cxxi).
273. MERY, JOHN. 1506/8. Magdalen (Lxvii).
274. MERYWETHER. 1504/6. Magdalen (Lxiii).
275. MERYWODD. 1504/5. All Souls (Li).
276. MILLISSER, JOHN. 1500/1. New College. Made a door above gate of stable (5d.).
277. MORE, NICHOLAS. 1517. Carpenter; he and William Colyn contracted to build roofs for cloister and other places in Corpus Christi College (Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 573). He might have been the Nicholas More who was apprenticed to John Doyle, master carpenter at Kirby Muxloe Castle in 1482/4 (A. Hamilton Thompson, 'Building Accounts of Kirby Muxloe Castle', *Trans. Leics. Arch. Soc.*, xi, 299).
278. MORGAN, W. 1490-2. Magdalen (xxviii).
279. MORTEN. 1511/12. Magdalen (Lxxvii).
280. MUSTON, JOHN. 1474. Magdalen (xi).
281. MYLES, JOHN. 1471-1513. Magdalen (iii), Merton (Liii) (probably two men).
282. MYLLS. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxxii).
283. NASH, THOMAS. 12 May, 1466. Carpenter; paid 40s. in Chancellor's court as surety that would not fornicate with Agnes daughter of John Lamprey but shortly afterwards was caught with her (*Reg. Canc.*, II, 183).
284. NEWTON, JOHN. 1513/14. Lincoln (xxxvi).
285. NICHOLL, JOHN. 1438/9. All Souls (iv).
286. NODE, WILLIAM. 1455-61. All Souls (xl).
287. NOTT, RICHARD. 1516/17. Merton (Lxi).
288. NUTT. 1515/16. Oriel (xxv).
289. NUTT (NOYTT), JOHN. 1511-17. Merton (Lxii), Lincoln (xxxii).
290. OKAY, W. 1524/5. Cardinal College (ii).
291. PAILL, JOHN. 1439/40. All Souls (vii).
292. PALINE (PALYNG), JOHN. 1525-7. Lincoln (Liv), Magdalen (cxxiii).
293. PALMER, 1509/10. Oriel (xxiii).
294. PALMER, STEPHEN. 1380-91. Carpenter; lived in NE. ward with wife Elena and paid 17d. Lay Subsidy in 1380. Was accused and fined under Statute of Labourers, 1390/1 (*Med. Archives*, II, 3, 7, 23).
295. PATRIC, PHILIP. 1450/1. Merton (xxix).
296. PAWES (PAWYS, POWES), JOHN. 1452-6. All Souls (xxxvi).
297. PAWNER (PAWMER, PALMER), JOHN. 1523-5. Oriel (xxvii).
298. PAYNE, EDMUND. 1502/3. Magdalen (Liii).
299. PEERS. 1506/7. 1506/7. Magdalen (Lxviii).
300. PEN, JOHN. 1500/1. Magdalen (xlvi).
301. PERLE, STEPHEN. 1481/2. All Souls (xlvi).
302. PERLE, THOMAS. 1490/1. Magdalen (xxv).

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303. PERSE. 1524/5. Cardinal College (x).
304. PHELYPPS, THOMAS. 1524/5. Lincoln (L).
305. PHILIPPS, JOHN. 1471-80. New College (xxvii), Oriel (xii).
306. PHILIPPS, JOHN [R]. 1505-25. New College (xxxix), Magdalen (lxxxv).
307. PHYLIPPS. 1392-6. New College (iv).
308. PYTFYN (PYTSYN, PITTFELD, PHYFFYN, PUTFELD, PYTFOLD), RICHARD [S]. 1505-30. Lincoln (xix), Magdalen (lxxi), Merton (lxxv), New College (xlvi).
309. PLUMMER. 1524/5. Cardinal College (xi).
310. POLLYS, T., 1505/6. New College (xli).
311. POPE, JOHN. 1390-1419. Merton (ix), New College (xv).
312. POWYS, RICHARD. 1474/5. Magdalen (xii).
313. PULKYN, JOHN. 1515/16. Magdalen (lxxxvii).
314. PYE, JOHN. 1516/17. All Souls (lvi).
315. PYPER, THOMAS. 1515-17. Magdalen (lxxxvi).
316. RAYNOLD, THOMAS. 1518-21. Magdalen (lxxxix).
317. REDE, JOHN. 1526/7. Lincoln (lv).
318. ROLL, WILLIAM. 1410-13. Oriel (ii).
319. ROODYS. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxxxiv).
320. ROSE, JOHN. 1495-99. Magdalen (xl).
321. RUSSELL, THOMAS. 1517-25. Carpenter; in 1517 Thomas Roossell of Westminster was paid 'for the kerfyng of iiij^{xxviii} hoole knottes and xliij halffe knottes, a hoole knotte att xvjd the peese' for roof of Corpus Christi College chapel (Salzman, *Building in Engl.*, 217). Was working at Hampton Court in 1525 (*Ibid.*, pl. 8 opp. p. 80).
322. RYCHARD, JOHN. 1505/6. Lincoln (xx).
323. RYGE, RICHARD. 1495/6. Magdalen (xxxvii).
324. SALTER, HENRY. 1529/30. New College (lii).
325. SANDYR (SAUNDER). 1478-90. Merton (xliii).
326. SARRATOR, JOHN. 1489-90. All Souls. Worked in college, prob. sawing wood.
327. SAWER. 1526/7. Magdalen (cxxxv).
328. SAWYER, EDMUND. 1498/9. Magdalen (xlv).
329. SAWYER, JOHN. 1377-92. Sawyer; mentioned with wife at Lay Subsidy of 1377 and of no definite parish (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 48). A John Sawyer, termed labourer, of SE. ward was accused and fined under Statute of Labourers in 1392 (*Med. Archives*, II, 101, 107).
330. SAWER, JOHN. 1506/27. Lincoln (xxii).
331. SAWYERE, JOHN. 1440/1. All Souls (xviii).
332. SAWYER, NICHOLAS. 1526/7. Lincoln (lvi).
333. SAWER (HEWLYN), OLIVER. 1456/7. All Souls (xli).
334. SAWER, ROBERT. 1475/6. Oriel (xiv).
335. SAWYER, THOMAS. 1394. Sawyer; lived in SW. ward and accused under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 21).
336. SAWYERE, THOMAS. 1440/1. All Souls (xix).
337. SAWYERE, WALTER. 1438/9. All Souls (v).
338. SAWYER, WILLIAM. 1449-59. All Souls (xxvi), Merton (xxxv).
339. SAWER, WILLIAM. 1518/19. Magdalen (xc).

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340. SAYWEL. 1511/12. Merton (LIX).
341. SCARDO, JOHN. 1505/6. Magdalen (LXV).
342. SCARLET, RICHARD. 1474/5. Magdalen (XIII).
343. SCARLET, WILLIAM. 1474/5. Magdalen (XIII).
344. SCHARPE, RICHARD. 1515/16. Magdalen (LXXXIII).
345. SCHERT, JOHN. 1520. Merton (LXXI).
346. SCHYRT, ROBERT. 1513/14. Lincoln (XXXVII).
347. SENYS. 1457/8. All Souls (XLIII).
348. SEXTEN, WILLIAM. 1518/19. Magdalen (XCI).
349. SHARPE, JOHN. 1516/17. Queen's (XXII).
350. SHELTON, THOMAS. 1505-10. New College (XL).
351. SHEPPHERD, WILLIAM. 1474/5. Magdalen. Given reward for good offices and measuring wood from Shotover.
352. SHORYERE, JOHN. 1390/1. Carpenter; lived in SE. ward and accused under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, II, 10).
353. SHURT, ROBERT. 1520/1. Magdalen (XCIX).
354. SIMMEL (SIMNEL), THOMAS. 1478/9. Lincoln (VIII).
355. SIMON, RALPH. 1500/1. New College. Made paling against gate by St. Peter's (4s. 10d.).
356. SKOWTE (SHOWT), JOHN [Z]. 1525-7. Magdalen (CIX).
357. SMALE, T. 1448/9. All Souls (XXII).
358. SMYTH, HENRY. 1524/5. Cardinal College (XII).
359. SMYTHE, JOHN. 1523/4. Lincoln (XLV).
360. SMYTH, LAWRENCE. 1508/9. Lincoln (XXVI).
361. SPILDEN, JOHN. 1505/6. New College (XLII).
362. SPYLLYSEY. 1506/7. All Souls (LIII).
363. STEPHANSON, JOHN. 1502/3. Magdalen (LIV).
364. STONE, THOMAS. 1520-30. All Souls (LVII), Cardinal College (iii), Magdalen (CXXIX).
365. STORTONE, WILLIAM. 1391/2. Carpenter; lived in SW. ward when accused and fined under Statute of Labourers with William Fraunkeleyn, carpenter, as one of his sureties (*Med. Archives*, II, 40, 47).
366. STORTONE, WALTER. 1392/3. Carpenter; surety for John Thacham.
367. STRATTFORD, CHRISTOPHER. 1502/3. Magdalen (LV).
368. STORAR (STORYAR), PETER. 1503-16. Magdalen (LX).
369. STURGYN. 1488. New College (XXXI).
370. SYMONDS. 1524/5. Lincoln (LI).
371. SYMSON, JOHN. 1511/12. Lincoln (XXXIII).
372. TAYLER, JOHN. 1513/14. Lincoln (XXXVIII).
373. TEUTONICUS, JOHN. 1460/1. Merton (XXXVI).
374. THACHAM (DACHAM), JOHN. 1391/2. Carpenter; lived in SW. ward when accused and fined 3 times under Statute of Labourers. Walter Stortone, carpenter, was one of his sureties.
375. THACKAM, JOHN. 1461/2. Merton (XXXVII).
376. THOMAS, MARC. 1474/5. Magdalen (XIV).
377. THORELBY (THURLBY). 1496-1501. New College (XXXV).
378. TOWNSEND. 1521/2. Merton (LXXIII).
379. TREDWELL, JOHN. 1427/8. New College (XVIII).

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380. TYBBARD, THOMAS. 1483/4. Merton (xlvi).
381. TYKE, RICHARD. 1457/8. All Souls (xliv).
382. TYLL, JOHN. 1419/20. Queen's (x).
383. TYLLOK, RICHARD [H]. 1439-41. All Souls (x).
384. ULLY, WILLIAM. 1380. Sawyer; lived in NE. ward and paid 8d. at Lay Subsidy (*Oxf. City Docs.*, 27).
385. WADAM, WILLIAM. 1529/30. Magdalen (cxxx).
386. WAK, BARY. 1520/21. Magdalen (ci).
387. WALSCH, RICHARD. 1477/8. Lincoln (vii).
388. WALSHE (WELSCH), THOMAS [O]. 1495-1506. Magdalen (xli).
389. WARDE, JOHN. 1452/3. All Souls (xxxvii).
390. WASTELL, WILLIAM. 1505-25. Lincoln (xxi), New College (xliv), Merton (lx).
391. WATKYNs, JAMES. 1510/11. Magdalen (lxxiv).
392. WATLINGTON, THOMAS. 1528/9. Cardinal College (xvi).
393. WHITE, JOHN [K]. 1474-91. Canterbury College, Magdalen (xv).
394. WHITE, RICHARD. 1448-59. All Souls (xxiv).
395. WHYTE, WILLIAM (Senior). 1448-50. Merton (xxii).
396. WHYTE, WILLIAM (Junior). 1448-50. Merton (xxiii).
397. WHITELEG, ROBERT. Early 15th cent.-1448. Master carpenter; a specimen contract apparently based on an original one, by which he agreed to build a house in Cat Street, Oxford, has been printed by W. A. Pantin (*Antiq. Journ.*, xxvii (1947), 147-8) and by L. F. Salzman (*Building in Engl.*, 415-6). A Robert Wheteley was master carpenter at Eton between 1443 and 1448 (Willis and Clark, *Archit. Hist. Univ. Camb.*, i, 389-90, 399). Was perhaps related to John Whateley or Wheteley who worked at Windsor in 1440-4, and who had a son William, also a carpenter (St. John Hope, *Windsor Castle*, 231, 396, 508, 511).
398. WILKYNs, JOHN. 1450/1. Merton (xxx).
399. WILLIAM (a carver). 1520/1. Magdalen (xcvi).
400. WORTHE (WOOR), WILLIAM. 1454-7. Merton (xxxii).
401. WOTTON, THOMAS. 1523-30. Lincoln (xlvi), Magdalen (cxxvi).
402. WRYGHT (WRYTHE), JOHN. 1516-25. Lincoln (xlvii), Merton (lxiii).
403. WRYGHT (WRYTE), ROGER. 1511-22. Lincoln (xxxiv), Magdalen (lxxx), Merton (lxxiv), Oriel (xxvi).
404. WYLLYAM, HUGO. 14 July 1452. Sawyer; hurt by a stone thrown by a man accused in Chancellor's court of breaking the peace (*Reg. Canc.*, i, 277).
405. WYLTsHER, JOHN [F]. 1427-55. Merton (xi), New College (xix).
406. WILTSHIRE, JOHN. 1390-4. Carpenter; lived in NW. ward when accused 3 times and fined twice under Statute of Labourers (*Med. Archives*, ii, 11, 37, 79, 86, 120).
407. WYSE (WYS, WISE), WILLIAM [D]. 1396-1403. New College (vi).
408. ZELBYRY. 1413/14. Oriel (iii).

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APPENDIX III

INVENTORY OF THE GOODS BELONGING TO ROBERT CAROW, MASTER CARPENTER, AT HIS DEATH

Transcribed by John H. Harvey, A.R.I.B.A., F.S.A., from the Register of the Archdeaonry Court of Oxford, 1st ser., 1 (1528/43), ff. 37 and 38. The entries occur between registered copies of wills proved on 26 April 1531 and 17 April 1531 (in that order).

Inventarium Robert Carow de Oxon. carpynter ab intestat. defuncti appreciatum per Willelmum Campynett et Ricardum Dere et alios appreciatores legitime deputatos.

In primis v chesellys

Item a compasse et ij awgers xd. Item a gowge and an olde cheping axe xd. Item ij drawing planys xjd.

Item xiiij small planys xijd. Item ij addys xd. a handsawe iijjd.

Item a drawer et vij small planes.

Item a squyor viijjd. Item a hamer and a wymbyll iijjd.

Item iij boxes iiijjd. Item ij pryckers, a knyff and a compasse iiijjd.

Item ij brasyn potts brokyn xd. Item a small pan and a ketyll vjd.

Item iij candilstikks. Item a dropping pan and a frying pan viijjd.

(fo. 37v). Item iij podingers, a plat. and an olde basyn.

Item ij small pewter potts and ij olde salte cellers.

Item a payr tongs and a pott hanger.

Item a streyner a chafyngdissh and ij sawcers.

Item ij stolys vjd and a nolde rope xiiijjd.

Item ij olde matrasses and a pillowe.

Item v olde blanketts.

Item v olde shets and iiij olde tableclothes.

Item iiij olde towellys xijd. Item ij dubletts ijs.

Item a gowne and a Jakett and a fryse Jakett.

Item a bedstede and ij coffers.

Item an olde tester and ij payntyde clothes.

Item a Jak a coverlett and an olde mantyll.

Item a hode for a woman iiijjd. Item a peyr of bellowes vjd.

Item an undercloth stuffid with flokks.

Item ij bords a forme and a chayr.

Item a small gryndingstone.

Item an almery wt a bord to sett vessell apon.

Item wodde and olde tymber for fyre.

Item a plank and ij olde trestylles.

Appror. summa bonorum predictorum

Iudex concessit litteras ad colligend. cuidam magistro Melchior Butler, artium magistro, ne bona defuncti dilapident. et etc. ad solutionem debitorum dicti defuncti secundum rat. porcione. applicand. etc. monicione debita pro creditoribus perhabita in omnibus ecclesijs parochialibus infra Universitatem Oxon. publice in debita Juri forma evocata et monita.

xd.

ijs vijd.

ijs jd.

xviijjd.

xijd.

viijjd.

xvjd.

xviijjd.

xviijjd.

xiiijjd.

vjd.

vjd.

xxd.

xijd.

ijs vjd.

ijs viijjd.

ijs.

vijs iiijjd.

ijs viijjd.

xijd.

ijs vjd.

xd.

xvjd.

xijd.

xvjd.

xvjd.

xvjd.

iiijjd.

xlvijs ixd.

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Item ij pecis of tymber.

(fo. 38) Compotus dicti Magistri Melchior Butler collectoris bonorum Roberti

Carow defuncti ad intest. ut inferius patebit.

In primis at his buriall vijs jd. Item at the monethes mynd.

xiijs jd.

Item paid to Master Potte collector of the rents of frideswithes.

iijs iiijd.

Item paid to Richard Stawnton for dett for mete and drynk and other things.

iijs iiijd.

Item paid to Richard Atkynson taylor for dett.

ijs iiijd.

Item paid to William Campynett for dett.

xxijd.

Item paid to Herry's wiffe and for brede drynk and vitaile.

xijd.

Item paid to Kateryn, Ale wiffe, for vitayle.

xiiijd.

Item to Cristyan his servante for wages.

xijd.

Item to James late his servante for wages.

iijs vjd.

Item paid to the proctors of Our Lady chapell in Seynt Peter's church for his grave.

vjs viijd.

Item to a poor woman for keping hym in his sekenes.

xd.

Item for paving of the grave.

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Summa omnium solucionem predictorum . . .

PLATE IX



CHAPEL ROOF, ALL SOULS COLLEGE, OXFORD, c.1440

Executed by John Branche, master-carpenter (p. 125)

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PLATE X



HALL ROOF, CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE, OXFORD, 1516-18

Designed by Humphrey Coke and executed by Robert Carow master-carpenter (pp. 133, 135)

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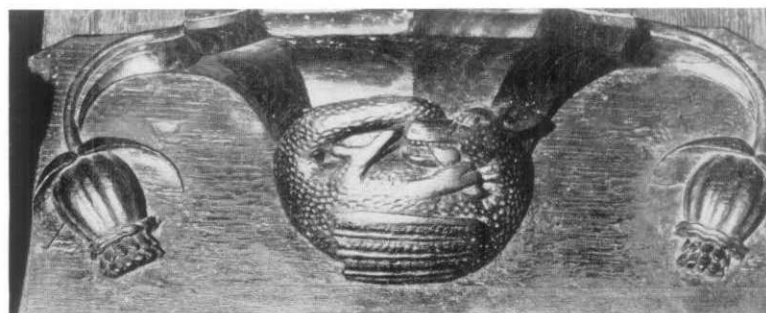
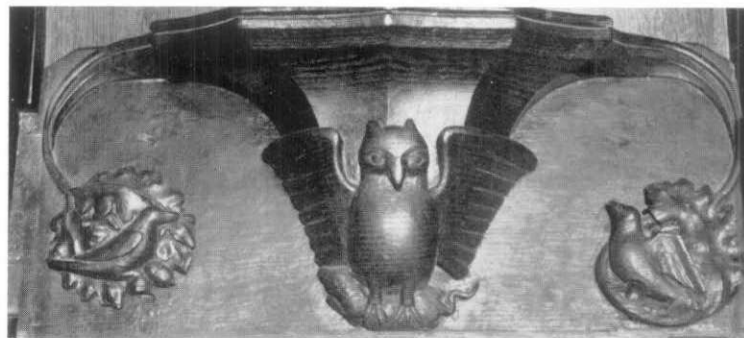
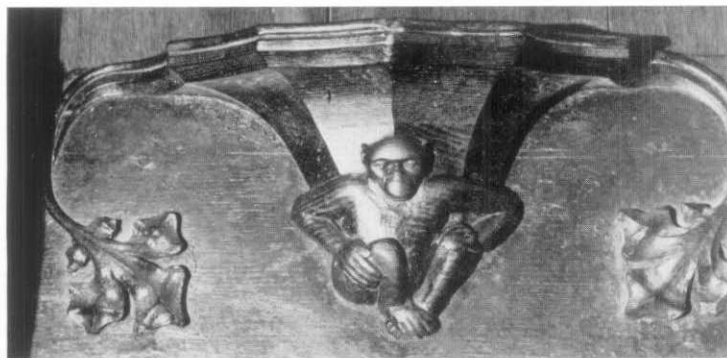
PLATE XI

HALL ROOF, CHRIST CHURCH, OXFORD, 1524-25

Designed by Humphrey Coke and executed by Robert Carow, master-carpenter (pp. 133, 135)

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CARVED MISERICORDS IN THE CHAPEL, MAGDALEN COLLEGE, OXFORD, 1521-2

Executed by John de Colonia, carpenter (p. 143)

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