

The Account of the Receipts & Disbursements of Leonard Miller Church Warden for the Parish of Bridge from Easter Monday. April 17 1735 to Easter Monday. April 26 1736

Receipts

This Accomptant Chargeth himself with the Receipt of }
 One Apptment amounting to } 8 3 6
 Also with the Sum due to the Parish from the last }
 Church-Warden - - - - - } 0 17 7 1/2

whereby his Receipts are 9 1 1 1/2

Disbursements

Apr 15	Gave two Turkey Slaves	0 0 3
Do	James Jordan for a Hedgehog	0 0 2
28	Gave a Turkey Slave	0 0 3
May 8	Thos. Stringer for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 2
9	Edward Wood for a Hedgehog	0 0 2
12	Edward Wood for 1 1/2 Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 3
13	P. for Brush for the Use of the Church	0 1 2
21	In. Elton for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 2
26	Thos. Woods for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 2
28	Thos. Farley for Ditto	0 0 2
Do	Henry Wood for mending the Clapper of the Bell	0 5 0
Do	the Charges at the Court & for a presentment Bill	0 3 0
Do	the Expences at Easter Visitation	0 15 0
Do	the Proambulation Expences	0 10 0
Do	In. Elton for half a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 1
29	Gave the Ringers	0 2 6
30	Gave a Poor man with a Pafs	0 0 2
Do	Collar for 2 Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 4
June 1	P. for Bread and Wine at Whiffanside	0 2 1
Do	In. Wells for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 2
Do	Rich West for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 2
Do	William White for a Hedgehog	0 0 2
Do	Rich West for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrow Heads	0 0 2
Do	Gave a Woman bigg with Child	0 2 0
Do	In. Wells for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrows	0 0 2
Do	Rich West for 2 Doz ⁿ of Sparrows	0 0 4
Do	D. Bowtell his Visitation Dues	0 2 6
July 14	the Goal Money	0 12 0
Do	In. Speelman for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrows	0 0 2
Do	Rich West for a Doz ⁿ of Sparrows	0 0 2
		2 19 1

Gave 4 Men	0 0 6
Gave 20 Turkey Slaves	0 1 6
Gave a Sick Woman to pay for her Victuals & Lodging	0 1 0
P. Stephen West for 6 Hedgehogs	0 1 0
P. for Bread and Wine at Mich	0 2 1
P. Rich. Simmons his half years Clark Wages at Mich	0 12 6
Gave the Ringers on the Kings Coronation day	0 2 6
P. the Court Charges & for a Presentment Bill at Mich Visitation	0 3 0
P. the allowed Expences at the Same time	0 2 6
Gave the Ringers on the Kings Birth day	0 2 6
Gave the Ringers on the 5 th of November	0 2 6
Gave to 7 Turkey Slaves	0 2 0
P. In. Thompson for mending the Bridge and repairing the Pales in the ^{Upper} Yard	0 4 0
Gave a Woman with a Pafs	0 0 6
Gave 22 Turkey Slaves	2 3 2
P. for Bread and Wine at Christmas	0 2 1
P. the Goal money at Christmas	0 12 0
P. for new Binding the Church Bible	0 7 6
Gave a Man who had Suffered by Fire	0 1 0
P. Samuel Halward for a Fox	0 1 0
P. Thos. Badcock for mending the Turn Pike	0 2 6
P. Thos. Stringer for a Hedgehog	0 0 2
P. In. Thompson for mending the Bridge	0 1 0
P. Wm Gillman for Work about the Church	0 8 9
P. Thos. Stringer for a Hedgehog	0 0 2
P. for writing the Apptments & Acc ^t &c	0 5 0
P. Henry Wood for Work as p Bill	0 1 0
P. Rich Simmons his half years Clark Wages due at a Lady	0 12 6
P. John Thompson for a new Post and Pile for the ^{Upper} Yard	0 5 0
Brought from the other Side	2 19 1

Sum Disburst 7 19 10

Sum Rec^d 9 1 1 1/2

Rem due to the Parish 1 1 3 1/2

John Bowtell

John Elton bon
John Lutt

Rich Simmons

The road between Dover and Canterbury is pretty much varied. Some miles we travel by the river and villages just now mentioned, then by ways less pleasant, till we come to Barham Down; at the lower side of which on our left hand, are several handsome villages and elegant seats. There are others to the right, but we see only the painted gates and pallisades leading to them, except one which is lately built and called Higham. The old Watling-street we see and distinguish by its being in a direct line for almost the length of the Down; but it has some short hills, which carriages usually avoid by keeping on the upper side of the Down, which is more level, and on which we see the ground posted off for horseracing, with a handsome building near the starting post completed in 1774 for the reception of company, with offices underneath for their refreshment.

After leaving the Down we find at the foot of a hill the village of Bridge, where we cross a river, (over which a bridge has been built by subscription) by some called the Little Stour. It rises from a spring at Bishopsbourn (the next parish) and is sometimes almost dry; at other times (uncertain ones) a flood comes down from springs about Elham with great rapidity; till interrupted by what the neighbours call swallows, where it sinks into the earth till that is saturated, and then rushes on again to the next interruption of the same kind; so that a stranger might be amazed at walking near this river side and down stream till he has lost it, and finds the channel dry. This flood (and some others we have like it) our people call the Nailbourn; its channel is sometimes dry for years together, and sometimes, but rarely it has come down twice in one year.

From

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