

ander Cleeve purchased the Advowson of him he had at the same time several other interests to satisfy.

Five years after this purchase, Martin Hall died, and the living being thus vacant, Mr. Cleeve presented his second son John, who held it for forty-three years and dying in 1777, bequeathed the Advowson with the bulk of his other Estate to his nephew Thomas Velley, (afterwards Col. Velley,) but then an under-graduate of St. John's Coll. Oxford.

From this latter my Great-grandfather purchased the Advowson for his son Richard Budworth, who had married Thomas Velley's sister, and who held the living from 1777 to the time of his death, in 1805.

Pursuant to a provision in my Grandfather's will, the Rev. Peter Parker Scott was presented and held the living until my Father became Rector, in 1809, and remained so until the hour of his death, in Decr., 1861—a term of fifty-two years.

After his death I presented the Rev. H. Bolton Smith, and on his vacating the living in 1864, the Rev. Robert Mandeville Rodwell—the present Rector.

The old Rectory house was pulled down soon after my Father's death, and a new one on nearly the same site completed in 1864. It is a curious fact connected with the old rectory, that among my Grandfather's papers, I find plans and specifications for re-building the Rectory, dated shortly before his death, which no doubt caused the intention to be abandoned, and the old house after a narrow escape was allowed an additional sixty years lease of existence.