

she gave Lancelot Machell (this will be the antiquary's younger brother) when he was 16, a ring after Charles II's coronation day; as well as a silver medal with her own effigy to Lancelot the father, which remains in the family possession. Both this and a like gift of a medal of Charles II. and a picture of herself, from her, with another of her father, George, Earl of Cumberland, (a present from Richard, Earl of Thanet,) are all mentioned in the recipient's will of 1681.* It is narrated of Lancelot Machell that he was always ready to promote the king's interest. To one complaining of taxes and penury he "bid them not repine so long as they had anything, for the king, says he, must have money, who else wants, since we owe our lives and estates to him;" and when the justices moved that he should not pay the full rate of a squire he insisted on doing so, saying that "the king should not want so long as he had anything." "He was active in body," continues the Antiquary, overcoming in all encounters and exercises which he took in hand. He was an unlucky adversary when he was young at football matches for he never played but he lamed two or three. There are two races of his which are very memorable, both made in frolique. One at Appleby Butts where he was bouting, (and at bowls), with Mr. Rowland ye minister, a very nimble-footed, whom he bett with a colt upon his shoulders. The other att Shap, with one Cloudsdall of that place, the famous runner of the north, with whom he run three score yards upon some advantage, with Robert Pateson, (of Woodside), being 18 stone weight upon his back, and beat him; Cloudsdall was very much

* The picture of Lord Cumberland is also in Canon Machell's possession and hangs in his dining room at Roos. The Ring has this note from the countess to Lancelot Machell "A ring on the Coronation Day, 'Thy friend am I assuredly,' and bid him read it, King Charles 2nd The gift of the Right Honourable Ann Countess of Pembroke, After the restoration of King Charles II., to Lanct. Machell of Crakenhorpe, Esqre., aged 16 years."

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