

RECTORY MANOR OF WHITTINGTON IN LONSDALE

THE terrier of the rectory for 1789 contains the following account of a manorial estate held by the rector, though the name "manor" is not used :

"Forty shillings in ancient penny rent per annum payable at the feast of Pentecost and St. Martin the Bishop in the winter by equal portions, being for certain messuages and tenements held by persons called the Kirklands tenants; and the same is fineable to the parson, being lord thereof, by way of fine arbitrary upon every way of alienation or decease of the said lord or tenant. And the tenants are also to give certain days' shearing to the parson for their said tenements. There are also two other mansion houses, with either a garden; the one in possession of Christopher Nicholson, of the yearly rent of 8*d.*, and the other in possession of Mary Sewart, of the yearly rent of 12*d.*, payable at the rent days abovesaid; chargeable also with certain days' shearing; and these are also fineable upon alienation or decease of the said parson or tenants, as the former tenants are."

Two moss rooms also belonged to the rectory.

The list of "ornaments" at that time belonging to the church is of some interest. There were two surplices, one cover for the communion table, one large and one lesser tablecloth for the same, three bells, one clock, one silver patten (2 lb. 11 oz. 8 dwt.¹), *Donum Leonardi Jackson A.M. rectoris de Tatham filii Rich'i Jackson nuper rectoris de Whittington in Com. Lancastrie in usum ecclesie Whittingtonensis A'o Dñi 1719*, one silver flagon (2 lb. 11 oz. 17 dwt.), given by the same and marked as above, one silver cup (8 oz. 16 dwt. 12 gr.). The clerk's salary included the "smoke groats," *i.e.* 4*d.* from each house in the parish.

¹ Perhaps it should read 2 oz. 11 dwt. 8 gr.