28. Chronica Monasterii S. Albani:—

5. Johannis Amundesham, monachi Monasterii S. Albani, ut videtur, Annales; Vols. I. and II.


In the first two volumes is a History of England, from the death of Henry V. to the death of Henry VI., by Thomas Walsingham, Preceptor of St. Albans.
In the 3rd volume is a Chronicle of English History, attributed to William Richanger, who lived in the reign of Edward II.; an account of transactions attending the award of the kingdom of Scotland to John Balliol, 1291-1292, also attributed to William Richanger, but on insufficient ground; a short Chronicle of English History, 1292 to 1300, by an unknown hand; a short Chronicle, Willemi Richanger, Gesta Edwardi Primi, Regis Anglie, probably by the same hand; and fragments of three Chronicles of English History, 1356 to 1377.
In the 4th volume is a Chronicle of English History, 1359 to 1366: Annals of Edward II., 1307 to 1322, by John de Trokelowe, a monk of St. Albans, and a continuation of Trokelowe's Annals, 1323-1324, by Henry de Blaneforde: a full Chronicle of English History, 1332 to 1406.
The 5th, 6th, and 7th volumes contain a history of the Abbots of St. Albans, written in the early part of the 15th century, and an account of the benefactors of St. Albans, written in the early part of the 15th century, mainly compiled by Thomas Walsingham, with a Continuation.
The 8th and 9th volumes, in continuation of the Annals, contain a Chronicle probably of John Amundesham, a monk of St. Albans.
The 10th and 11th volumes relate especially to the acts and proceedings of Abbots Whethamstei, Albon, and Wallingford.
The 12th volume contains a compendious History of England to the reign of Henry V, and of Normandy in early times, also by Thomas Walsingham, and dedicated to Henry VI.


The Chronicle of Evesham illustrates the history of that important monastery from 990 to 1118. Its chief feature is an autobiography, which makes us acquainted with the inner daily life of a great abbey. Interspersed are many notices of general, personal, and local history.


Richard of Cirencester's history is in four books, and gives many charters in favour of Westminster Abbey, and a very full account of the lives and miracles of the saints, especially of Edward the Confessor, whose reign occupies the fourth book. A treatise on the Coronation, by William of Sudbury, a monk of Westminster, fills book ii. c. 3.