

## The Kirkebie Caller

Weekly on Fridays

To be proclaimed in the market place  
Feast of St Luke 1353

### Local News

#### Kidnapping at Warcop

Thomas de Aunacy came with others to the house of Henry de Warthecopp on the Monday previous and forcibly entered his hall and various chambers and took away his widowed daughter Isabel and also John, son and heir of John Crokedayk whose marriage belonged to the said Henry. Thomas is now in Appleby prison.

#### So how did you get away with it Vicar?

John de Bowes, vicar of Kirkebiestephan since 1336, has been up before the bishop's court 'concerning a lapse of the flesh' with Margaret Wyvill and others. The bishop says that 'we have duly and adequately corrected him'.

#### David II, King of the Scot

Westmorland men want to know why the ransom for the man they helped to capture at Neville's Cross in 1346 still has not been paid. What's wrong with the Scots? Can't they find £20,000 for him? Or don't they want him back?

#### Yorkshire debtors in court here

Agnes who was the wife of Thomas del Garth of Wynton, and his executrix, by her attorney John Oxenthwayt, appeared against William de Gerstane of York, draper, and Richard de Gerstane of Beverley in a plea that they render unto her £50 which they owe.

#### Smardale trees pinched

Richard Hugill, Robert Hudson, Katherine de Halton and Thomas her son are accused in court of cutting down and carrying away the trees and undergrowth which belong to Thomas son of John de Warcoppe.

France to be English? Why not? Look at the record since Edward III, our gracious sovereign, took the title of King of France in 1340, a title, moreover, to which he had a perfect right through his late mother Isabella. Just look at our English victories over the French. We won the Battle of Sluys in 1340, the Battle of Crecy in 1346 and we captured Calais in 1347. How often do the French need to be warned of our might?

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### Notices

Lusty Lads Join the army and see the world or at least get to France. Come home rich. Plenty of plunder and bounty. Regular pay; 6d a day for a mounted archer.

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#### Lost

500 head of cattle stolen from Brough...., last seen moving in a northerly direction.

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Cures for the plague Try our potions now before the next attack arrives. Buy your herbs from Joanna each Friday.

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Sinned recently? Then buy an indulgence and be pardoned. Beware of false pardoners. Only the genuine ones will do. Look for the Bishop's Licence.

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House building? Cruck raising? Thatching? Tom and Jack, sons of wat, are the lads for you. Always ready to help, rates: 3d a day each.

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Butts practice All men over the age of 12 years are reminded that they must attend archery practice every Sunday afternoon. No time wasters, no slackers.

By order: R. de Clifford.

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Tithes Anyone who has not paid yet can expect a visit from Roger, the vicar's steward. Did you have ten calves this year? Then you owe the vicar one. You had five piglets? Then you owe a groat.

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Bakehouse now open at Brough. Adam will take in your dough at 6.00 am for collection later.

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