

Research Notes and Queries

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The Leicestershire Kendales

Dr. Rosemary Horrox has sent the following note:-

On 22 August 1443 John 'Kendall' of Twycross, Leicestershire, gentleman, was granted arms by Clarenceux herald. The arms were:— gules, three eagles or between a fess checky of or and azure. Apart from the arms known to have been born by John Kendale, the Turcopilier, these seem to be the only arms known of fifteenth century Kendales. This John was father of Bartholomew (*Ricardian* no. 74, 1981, p.404) and ancestor of the Henry and William who were buried in the church of Smisby, Derbyshire, near which was the manor house of their family. (*Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica*, series 4, vol. 5, 1912-13, pp.39, 120-1).

North and South: Patristic Support for Antagonism

The Southerner's fear of and misconceptions about the North (see A. J. Pollard, North, South and Richard III, *Ricardian* no. 74, pp.384-389) derived some inspiration and support from St. Augustine who made the North and South symbolic of spiritual states, identifying Satan with the North. The north wind was symbolic of the deprivation of the grace of God and to the North lay the way to Hell. The idea is repeated by Langland in his *Piers Plowman* (C. Passus II, 109-122) with a sly remark that he will not comment on the preference of Satan for the North so as not to offend Northerners! (Alfred J. Kellogg, Satan, Langland and the North, *Speculum* 1949, pp.413-415, and references quoted there.)