

THE STYLES AND TITLES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS OF DEVON.

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As a curious contribution to the municipal history of the county of Devon, I have transcribed the ancient legal styles and titles of the Corporations of Devon from a quaint book on the laws and customs of the Corporations of England, published in 1702, which contains also a quantity of MS. notes, including sundry of the titles here given.

BARNSTAPLE.—Majori, Aldermannis, & Burgensibus burgi sive villæ de *Barnstaple* alias *Barstaple*.

BEREALSTON.—Majori & Burgensibus burgi sui de *Berealston* in com. *Devon*. salutem.

BIDEFORD.—Majori, Aldermannis, Burgensibus & Recordatori villæ sui de *Bidyford* in com. *Devon*. salutem.

DARTMOUTH.—Majori, Ballivo & Burgensibus de *Clifton Dartmouth Hardnes* in com. *Devon*.

EXETER.—Majori & Ballivis civitatis sui *Exon* in com. *Devon* ac. Ballivis Cur. provost ejusdem civitat. & eorum cuiilibet.

HONITON.—Majori, Aldermannis, Liberis Burgensibus agris turpibus. et communitati Burgi.

LYDFORD.—Majori & Burgensibus Burgi de *Lidford*.

OKEHAMPTON.—Majori et Burgensibus villa et burgi.

PLYMPTON.—Majori Ballivis & Burgensibus burgi sui de *Plympton Maris* in com. *Devon* salutem.

PLYMOUTH.—Majori & Communitati Burgi sui de Plymouth in com. Devon.

Southmolton.—Majori & capital. burgensibus vill. suæ *Southmolton*.

TAVISTOCK.—Senescallo sive Ballivo F. comit. *Bedford* libertat. suæ de *Tavstock*.

TIVERTON.—Majori et burgensibus villa et parochia de *Tiverton*.

TORRINGTON.—Majori Aldermannis & Burgensibus burgi sive villæ de *Torrington Magna*.

TORRINGTON, ALITER.—Majori Aldermannis, capital. Burgen-sibus and Senescallo burgi sive villæ de *Torrington Magna* in com. *Devon*.

TOTNES.—Majori & Burgensibus burgi de *Totnes* & eorum cuiilibet.

CHAGFORD STANNARY.—Praeclarissimo consanguineo suo W. com *Pembrook* camerario hospit. sui, præclari ordinis Garterii Milit. custodi *Stannar*. in com. *Devon* & *Cornub* capitali Senescallo, totius Ducat Vic. Subsenesc. deputat. sive ejus locum tenen. cur. *Stannar*, de *Chaford* in com. *Devon* salutem.