Sheen - continued:

1558. Br. Robert Shipley/Shirley, conv. prof. of Mount Grace, 2of Sheen: d. 25 September 1557.

1559. D. Robert Abel, d. 24 September 1558.
? the same as D. William Abel, formerly vicar of Coventry, who was among those who received pensions there - see p.23.

1560. D. Thomas Fletcher, formerly of Hinton: d. 2 May 1559: said to have been the last to die at Sheen.

Bruges (Val de Grace) : 1559-1568:

ex [illegible]ta 1561: Chauncy made prior of Bruges.
1568: told to form a separate community.; but still at Val de Grace.

According to Long - p.68 - the English community consisted of:

D. John Mitchel, vicar: d.1570.
D. John Cliffe, d.1560.
D. Thomas Low; d.1568.
D. Tristram Hickmans, d.1575.
D. Thomas Synderton, d.1570.
D. Nicholas Dugmer, d.1578.
D. Leonard Hall or Stofs, d.1575.
D. Nicholas Balland, d.1578.
Br. Hugh Taylor; d.1575.
Br. John Sanderson; d.1560.

en 1559 !

The following died at Bruges during these years:

1560. D. John Hoerdrien; prof. of Coventry, 2 of Bruges.
D. John Cliffe, formerly of Witham, prof. of Sheen, guest at Bruges: d. 29 January 1560.
1561. Br. John Sanderson, conv. prof. of Mount Grace, 2 of Sheen, guest at Bruges: d. 13 June 1560.
1562. D. John Carr, prof. of Sheen, guest at Bruges. ?
1568. D. Everard Digby, prof. of London, guest at Bruges.
1569. D. Thomas Low, prof. of Sheen, guest at Bruges: d. 21 November 1568.
D. Walter Tolbridge; prof. of Perth, guest at Bruges.
D. Alexander Calant or Callard, prof. of Perth, guest at Bruges.

In this connection, it is worth noting that, according to Henry Clifford, the author of the Life of the Duchess of Feria, (p.107) that Chauncy with 'twelve professed monks and three lay brothers' left England with the Duke of Feria for Flanders in 1559, arriving there on 1 July. Clifford is uaually well informed.

ex carta 1565: D. Francis, anglus, prof. of Zierickzee, 'to go as guest at Bruges ad Ordinis voluntatem'. The only English Dom Francis this could refer to would be Dom Francis Greene, who was with the community at Bruges c.1571, and d. as procurator at Louvain 24 March 1587.

It is now that the Mapledurham manuscript begins to throw a great deal of light on the movements of the community of the English Carthusians, and as this ms. would seem to have been written or compiled by (certainly in the time of) Dom Peter Bilcliffe, prior from 1668-1693, it should on the whole be reliable. According to this Ms (p.125); 'About the year 1568 they came to Bruges, where they lived two years in lodgings, before they had a monastery of their own. In the year 1570, they had a House finished in St.Clare Street'. We may take it, therefore, that they were at the rue Saint-Clare, Bruges, from roughly 1570 to 1578, with Dom Maurice Chauncy as their prior, and using again the seal of the House of Jesus of Bethlehem. From now onwards, this English community was known as:

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According to this same Ms (p.126): 'I - the 'I' I think must be Suertis, who afterwards joined the community and became sacrist - came from Louvain with M. Allat (a virtuous learned priest) unto Fr. Maurice in Bruges, who received me most lovingly'.

At that time, the community consisted of (same reference):

c.1571. D. Maurice Chauncy, prior: d.1581.
D. Roger Thompson, vicar: d.1582 as prior.
D. William Powell, sacrist: d.1581.
D. Tristram Hickmans of Witham: d.1575.
D. Nicholas Dugmer of Beauvale: d.1578.
D. Leonard Hall of Mount Grace: d.1575.
D. Nicholas Balland of Hinton: d.1578.
D. Nicholas Thornton, after vicar: d.1608.
D. Francis Greene, after procurator: d.1587.
D. William Holmes, d.1578.
D. Thomas Shelley, d.1572.
D. Edward Rysden, d.1578.
D. Thomas Lawrence, afterwards procurator: d.1589.
D. Henry Ward, d.1578.
D. William Bennet, d.1573.

c.1578. Br. John Tatem, d.1585.
Br. John Burford, d.1578.