SHEEN ANGLORUM (Louvain): 1578-1590:

1578 (10-23 April). About this time, the community were ordered by the authorities to leave Bruges. The actual date of their leaving is not too certain, but they appear to have left in two parties sometime in April of this year (1578). The first party was under the charge of the vicar, Dom Roger Thompson, with half of the community: the rest left some days later under the prior. Long gives the date of the second party as ~~12xMay~~ 19 April, which would fit in with what is known of their intinerary, thus:

1578 (24 April): reached DOUAI, where they stayed the night.
(25 April): CAMBRAI.
(27 April): left Cambrai for ST.QUENTIN, where ~~where~~ they stayed until 17 May at the Inn of the Windmill, kept by a friend.
(c.18 May): NOYON, where they stayed at the Charterhouse of Mont Renaud (otherwise known as the Chartreuse de St.Louis).
(17 July) : LOUVAIN, where they arrived after many difficulties. Here they stayed at the Charterhouse, forming a separate community with Chauncy as their prior. They numbered at this time : 18 choir monks and 2 brothers.

1579. Chauncy named visitor of England by the General Chapter.

1580. Chauncy set out for Spain, accompanied by the procurator, Dom Thomas Lawrence.

1581. Chauncy died at the Charterhouse of Paris on his way back from Spain: d. 12 July 1581. He was 68 years of age, having been prior in all some 24 years. Schwengel says Chauncy had the 'laudabiliter' but he is the only one to mention it.

The PRIORS following Chauncy at LOUVAIN were as follows:

1581-1582: D. Roger Thompson; previously vicar:
d. 20 October 1582.

1582-1585: D. Francis Barnard; prof. of Louvain:
held office until the end of 1585, when he asked to be relieved from office.
d. 26 April 1594.

1586-1589: D. John Arnold; formerly a priest of Douai College (c.1575). In 1586 or thereabouts, he undertook a journey into Spain, and a second journey in 1589.
d. during this latter journey 24 December 1589.

Sheen Anglorum (Louvain) - continued:

There died at LOUVAIN during this period:

1578. D. Henry Ward.
Br. John Burford; conv. d. 12 January 1578.
(Dom Palemon Bustin says 'd. 19 May 1578, probably at Noyon').

1579. John Sage, 'fidelissime servus' of Sheen:
d. 4 May 1578, probably at St.Quentin.
D. Nicholas Dugmer; prof. and sacrist of Sheen, formerly of Beauvale: d. 10 September 1578, 'qui 50 annis laudabiliter vixit in Ordine'.
D. Edward Rysden, prof. of Sheen, d. 6 November 1578
(Long - p.96 - says 1587, but this may be an error)
D. Nicholas Balland, prof. of Sheen, formerly of Hinton: d. 5 December 1578, 'qui 50 annis laudabiliter vixit in Ordine'.
D. George Bennet; d. 24 February 1579.

1581. D. William Powell; prof. of Sheen, sacrist at Louvain: d. 6 January 1581.

1582. D. MAURICE CHAUNCY - see under London, p.19.

1582. D. Roger Thompson, prof. of Bruges, 2 of Sheen Anglorum; vicar then prior (1581-1582): d. 20 October 1582. Is this the Dom Roger Thompson who, as a novice at Mount Grace, received a pension there - see p.28.

1585. Br. John Tatem, d. 16 February 1585.

1588. D. Francis Greene; procurator; prof. of Zierickzee, d. 30 June 1587, according to Mapledurham (p.176); but according to Bruges MS and Long (p.96) he d. 24 March 1587.
D. William Russell; d. 18 July 1587.

1589. D. William Gascoigne; prof. of Sheen, d. 6 August 1588.

1590. D. Thomas Lawrence, procurator, d. 14 September 1589.
D. John Arnold; prior (1585-1589), d. 24 December 1589.

c.1580 Long - p.73 - gives the names of the community:
D. Roger Thompson; vicar: d.1582.
D. William Powell, d.1581.
D. Nicholas Thornton, d.1608.
D. John Suertis, sacrist: d.1620.
D. Walter Pitts, afterwards prior: d.1611.
D. John Arnold, afterwards prior: d.1589.
D. William Gascoigne, d.1588.
D. Francis Barnard, afterwards prior: d.1594.
D. Ralph Brooks, d.1621.
D. Joseph Slade, d.1616.
D. Thomas Lawrence, procurator: d.1589.
Br. David Lewis, conv. d.1627.
Br. John Tatem, conv. d.1585.

ENGLISH REFUGEES who died abroad about this time - i.e. from 1535 onwards - other than at Bruges and Louvain:

1541. D. Henry, anglus, guest at Antwerp.
1544. D. Henry, anglus, guest Delft (? the same).
1545. D. William, prof. of the English province, d. at Miraflores.
1551. D. William Massant (?Marshall), prof. of London, d. at Maggiano in Italy.
1556. D. William Reynolds, prof. of Hinton, guest at Brussels, d. 19 May 1555.
Br. John Collart, donate of Hinton, guest at Liers in Belgium.
1560. Br. Henry, conv. prof. of Beauvale, guest at Rose N-Dame (Rouen).
1568. D. John Calan, prof. of Perth, d. at Parc in France.
1574. Br. Thomas Clogher, conv. prof. of London, guest at Mont St.Gertrude (Holland), d. 28 February 1574.
1580. D. John Bennett, anglus, prof. of Hull, guest at Ruremonde.
1590. D. William Clapen, the last professed of Perth, d. at Val Profonde in France.
1591. Br. Hector Gardiner, conv. prof. of Sheen, guest at Liege, d. 3 January 1591.

Sheen Anglorum - continued:

1590. The community left Louvain, and after a short stay at ANTWERP, the duration of which is not clear,
1593. they settled at MECHLIN in 1593 at Hof van Immerseel. The authority for this date is Maurice de Meulemeester C.SS.R., in his articles in MECHLINIA for June and July 1930.
1595. Purchased a neighbouring house called SAMSON; and
1626. here they remained until the year 1626.

The priors during this period were as follows:

1589-1596: D. Walter Pitts; previously vicar: resigned in 1596 and retired to another Charterhouse, but returned to Mechlin in 1604, where he d. 10 December 1611 (Long - p.80 - says 1 December 1611).
1596-1611: D. Robert Darbysher: became prior 24 July 1596, resigned 1611: d. 4 October 1612.
1611-1620: D. Robert Mallory, previously vicar: d. 31 March 1620, and buried in the church of the Augustinian Fathers at Mechlin.
1620-1644. D. Thomas Hallowes, formerly procurator: d. 3 January 1644.

NB: It was during the priorate of Dom THOMAS HALLOWES that the community left Mechlin and moved ~~to~~ in September 1626 to:

N i e u p o r t.

There died at MECHLIN during the above period:

15__. D. Francis Barnard, prior (1582-1585): d. 26 April 1594.
1601. D. William Colford; ~~prof. of Sheen~~, subdeacon: d. 4 April 1601.
1606. D. Thomas Blechinden, d. 4 January 1606.
1608. D. Bartholomew Florence, procurator: d. 14 May 1607.
D. Christopher Alred, d. 1 July 1607.
Br. John Freeman, conv. d. 23 October 1607.
1609. D. Nicholas Thornton, vicar: ~~kxxxxxxxxx~~ d. 26 Nov.1608.
1612. D. Walter Pitts, vicar then prior (1590-1596): d. 10 December 1611 - see supra.
1613. Br. John Kemp, conv. d. 25 May 1612, prof. of Antwerp.
D. Robert Darbyshire, prior (1596-1611): d. 4 Oct.1612.
1617. D. Joseph Slade, d. 15 August 1616.
1618. D. John Carr, d. 12 February 1618.
D. John Deaken, procurator: d. 27 March 1618.
Br. George Brown, conv. d. 12 September 1617.