

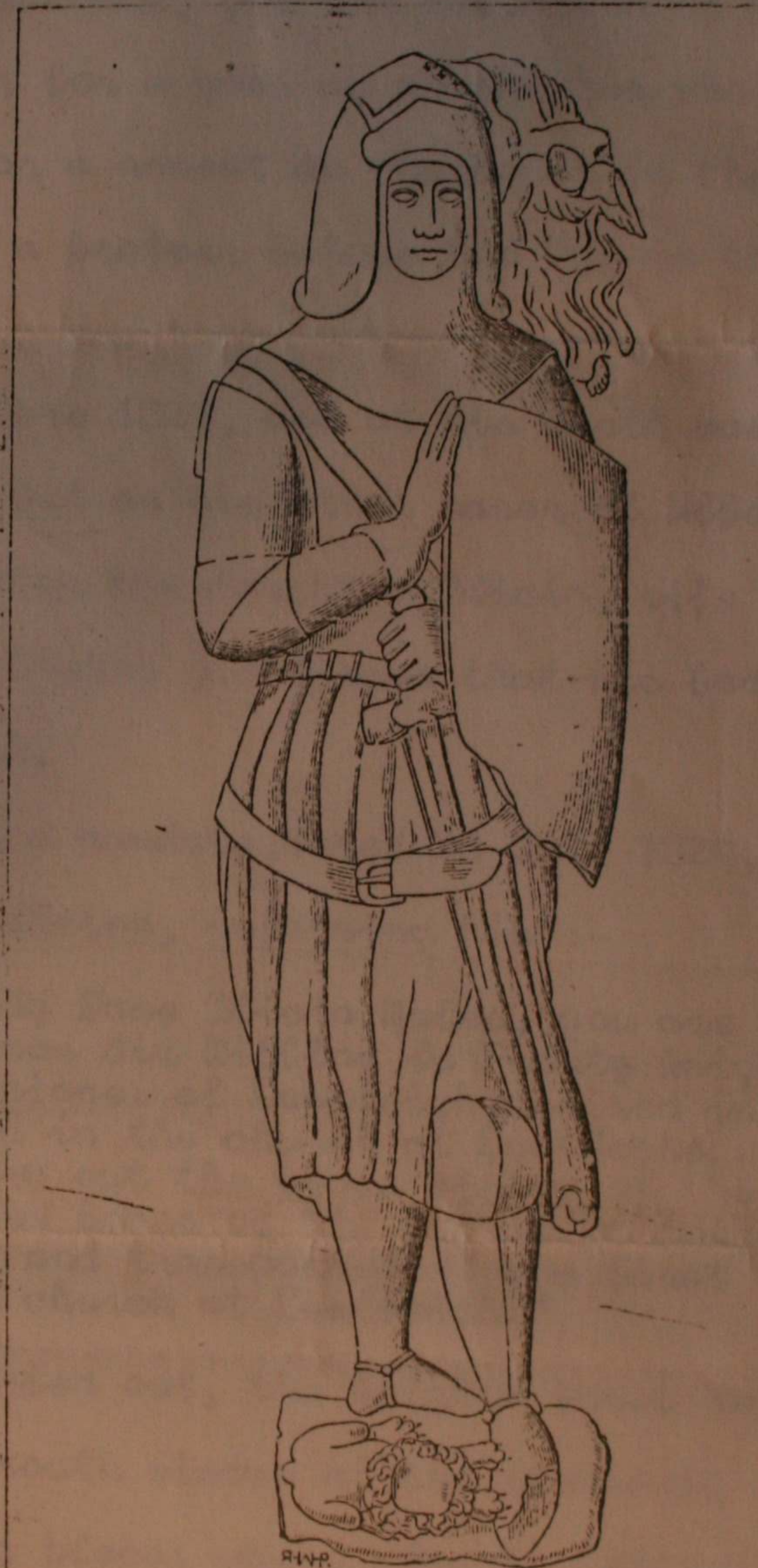
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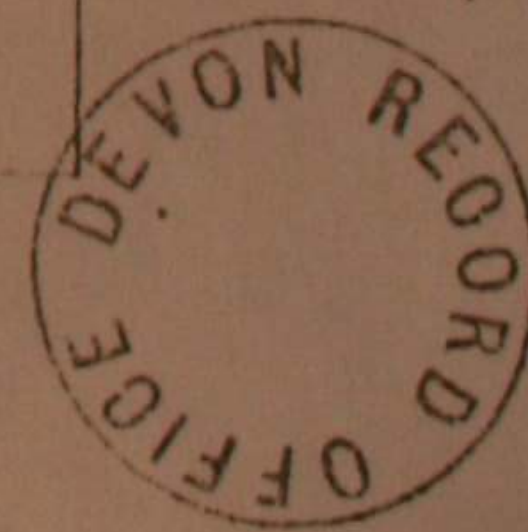




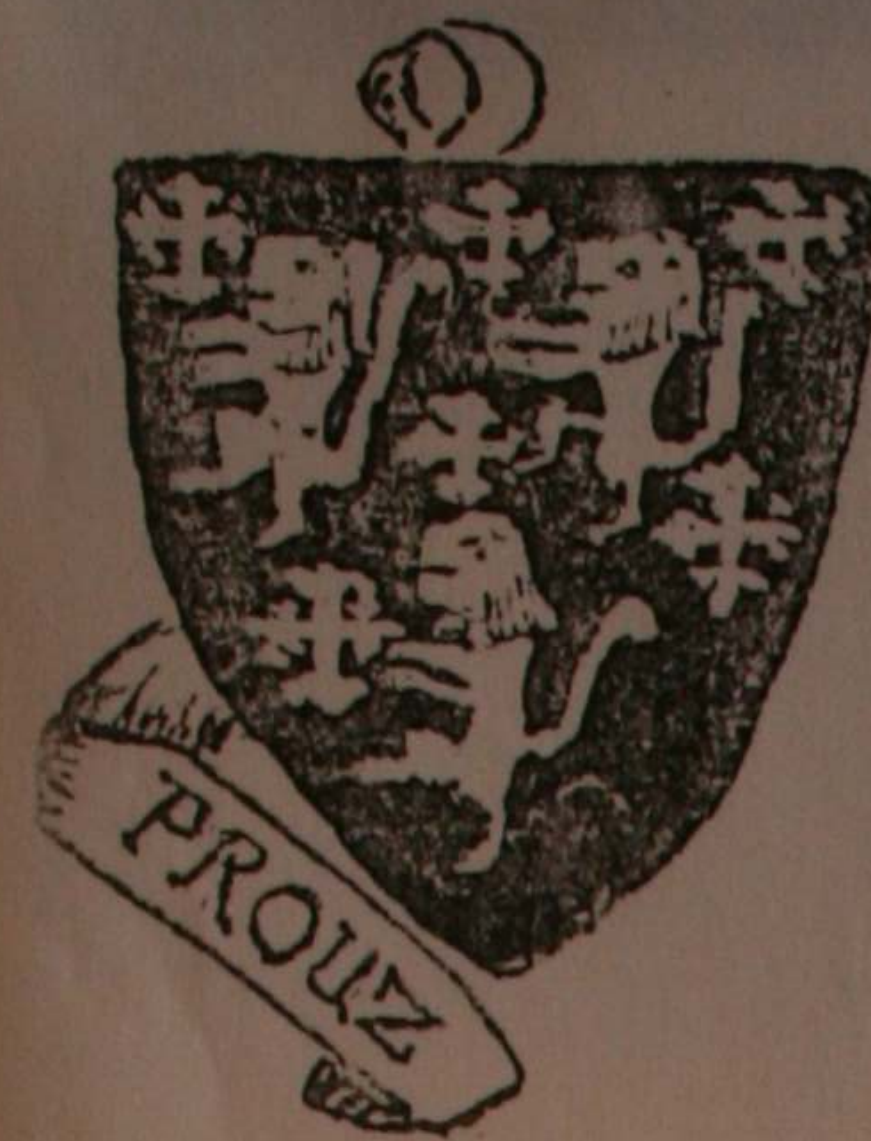
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LUSTLEIGH.

Sir William de Prouze







of the transeptal chapel. The openings may have been intended for the convenience of a ringer, with a sanctus bell in the porch, watching for the elevation of the host; or for a passing worshipper who might kneel for a moment on the bench in the porch, and say a prayer before the Pyx in the chapel.

Sir William Prouz died before 1329, and at his death was interred, not at Lustleigh, but on his other manor of Holbeton, where he died. Some years later his daughter Alicia, wife of Sir Roger Mules, petitioned Bishop Grandisson that his body might be removed to Lustleigh.

Whereupon the Bishop sent a mandate, dated 23 Oct. 1329, to Dominus Henricus Berry of Holbeton, informing him :-

"In behalf of the noble lady Dame Alicia Mules, you are to know that the noble gentleman Sir William de Prouz knight, her father, being a parishioner of Lustleigh, desired in his last will to be buried in the church at Lustleigh... Therefore desiring to carry out the pious wishes of the dead, we bid you to find the bones of the aforesaid knight and to have them exhumed, and transported at the first opportunity to the parish church at Lustleigh."

This mandate being duly carried out, the knight's bones were laid in a sepulchre under the south window of the transept chapel prepared for his resting place; where also his effigy on stone was set under an ogee arch. Here Risdon saw it, and describes it, and also the armorial bearings in the window above "three lions between six cross-crosslets."

