

The kings of Northumberland.

Ethelfridus Bernicorū. Of 2200. whyche came to praye for the good successe of the Britaynes, and by hys wife Accan, the daughter of Elle, had vij. sonnes, Eaufridus, Oualdus, Osvius, Oslacus, Osmundus, Osa, Osa. Flor. Hystor.

Edwinus, Northumberland, name. 17 Thys Edwinus was the first of the Northumberland kings, whych was converted and Christened by Paulinus Bysshop of London.

Ofricus Deirorum, name. Eaufridus Bernicia, name. Thesē two are put out of the rase of kings, because they reuolted fro the Christian faith, and were both slayne miserably by Cedwalla a Britayne, which then raigned in Northumberland, and in Mercia.

Oswaldus, Northumberland, name. Thys Oswaldus, called S. Oswald, fought with Cedwalla, & Penda with a small army, and by strength of prayer vanquished the in the feld. He went for Edanus into Scotlād to preach in hys countrey, & as he preached in Scotlth, y king expossided in English. He was a great gener of aimes to y poe. Of his other actes more appereth hereafter.

Osvius, Northumberland. 28 Thys Osvius fighting against Penda, bowed to make his daughter Elfred a Nonne, geuing wyth her. 12. A ordships, to build 12. Monasteries. vj. in Bernicia. vj. in Deira.

Osvinus raigned together with Osvius in Deira name. 7 The same Osvius in the beginning of hys raigne take one Osvinus the sonne of Edwyne to be his partener ouer the countrey of Deyra. Afterward causing him to be killed. took to hym an other called Edelwald, the sonne of Oswalde. Of thys Osvynus more foloweth hereafter to be declared.

Egfridus, Northumberland. name. 15 Thys Egfrid married Etheldrida, who being xij. yeares married to hym, could after, by no means be allured to lye with him, but obtaining of him licence, was made Nunne, & then Abbes of Elye. She made but one meale a day, & neuer weare linen. At last the same Egfrid fighting against y Scots, was slayne in the feld by a trayne of the Scots, faining themselves to flee.

Alridus, Northumberland, name. 20 Of this Alfride, Bede in his hystorie testifieth that he was exactly and perfectly seene in the holy Scriptures, & recovered much that hys predecessors had lost before. Bed. lib. 4. cap. 24. Some say he raigned not 18. yeares.

Ofred, Northumberland, name. 11 Ofred began his raigne being but viij. yeares old, and raigned the space of x. yeares.

Kenredus, North. 10 Some affirme that Oriscus raigned but xi. yeares.

Oriscus, North. 20

Celufus, Northumb. made a Monke. 9 Thys Celuf after he had raigned. 8. yeares was made a Monke, To hym Beda wrote his floie.

Egbertus, Northumberlad, Monke. 21

Oslufus, Northumberland. name. 1

Mollo, O Ethelwold, North. 11 Mollo by the subtil traine of Altrედus was made away, whych Altrედus also himselfe after he had raigned x. yeres, was commised to his owne people.

Altrედus, Northumb. expelled. 10 In some Chronicles this Altrედus raigned but viij. yeares.

Ethelbertus, O Edalredus, Northumberland, expelled. 9

Alfwoldus, Northumberland name, 11

Ofredus. 10

Ethelbertus, O Adelwaldus, North. name. 10

After this Ethelbert the kingdom of Northumberland ceased the space of xv. yeares, till Egbertus King of the westsaxons subdued also them, as hee did the other Saxons to his dominion. After the whych Egbert king of the westsaxons succeeded in Northumberland hys soune.

Ethelwolfus, Ethelbaldus. } Kings of westsaxons, rainging in Northumberland.

In the tyme of thys Ethelredus there were two vnder Kinges in Northumberland Ella, and Osbright, whom the Danes ouercame and raigned in theyr place, whose names were thesē.

Exbertus. Gurthed. } Danes.
Richf. Guthrid.
Egebert.

After the raigne of these foresayd Danes, the kingdom of Northumberland came into the hands of the westsaxons, in the time of Athelstane and his brother Edmundus. It began first. An. 547 and so endured. 409. yeares. It contained Yorkeshyre, Nottinghamshyre, Darbshyre, the Bysshopricke of Wygham, Copeland and other.

(561) ¶ The kings of Mercia, or Merceland with the yeares of their raigne.

Mercia. Grida, O Creodda. 35
Wibba. 20
Ceorus. 10
Penda, name. 30

Peda, O Weda, slayne by his wife. Penda slew in battaile Edwyne and Oswald kinges of Northumb. Also Sigebert, Edrike, and Anna, kinges of the Eastangles. Also he droue out Kenwalda king of the westsaxons.

Wlferus. 29 Under Peda, and Wlferus, Christian faith was receiued in those parts, they being converted by Fintianus Bishop.

Adelredus, O Ethelred, made Monke. 30 O. 19

Kenredus made also Monke at Rome. 19

Ceorlredus, O Kelredus. 19

Ethelbaldus, name. 41

Bernredus. 1

Offa. 39

Egfredus. 20

Kenelmus, murdered Ceolwolfus expelled. 1. O. 3.

Bernulphus, name. 3

Ludecanus, name. 2

Wilafus, O Withlacus beheaded. 12

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The same Peda raygned in a part of Mercia, with hys brother Wlferus, which were both the sonnes of Penda.

This Wlferus by his wife Ermeburg had iii. daughters, Milburg, Muldrith, and Mildgith, holy virgines.

This Adelredus, O Ethelredus was Monke of Baroucy, whose sisters were Kynedrid, and Kynfwith, holpe virgines.

In the tyme of this Ceolred was Guthlake other wise called S. Guthlake, the Iposith Eremit of Crowland.

Under Ethelbaldus dyed Beda, Ethelbald gaue that all churches should be free from all exactions and publicke charges.

This Bernred for his pride & stoutnes toward his people, was by the deposed, & the same yeare by the iust iudgement of God burned. Hystor. Carient.

Offa causing O consenting to the death of good Ethelbert king of the Eastangles, peaceably coming to marry his daughter, for repentaunce caused the deere pence first to be geue to Rome, and there did his penance.

This Kenelme being of vii. yeares of age, was wickedly slayne after hee had raygned vi. monethes.

This Ludicane after the 2. yeare of his raigne was slayne of Egbert, king of the westsaxons, by whome the rest of the Saxons were also subdued.

The Kinges of Mercia.

This Withlacus in the beginning of his raigne was vanquished by Egfrid king of westsax, to whome hee became tributarie wyth hys succedours here following.

Ferthulfus. 12 Celufus. 17 } Some wyrters say that these kinges
Buthredus. 20 Elfredus. 15 } were subdued by the Danes.

After this Elfride the kingdom of the Mercians was translated vnto the westsaxons, in the latter time of king Alfred, O in the beginning of Edwardus Senior, and so was adioyned to the westsaxons, beginning. An. 561. It endured the space of 250. yeares, till about the latter end of Aluredus, by whome it was ioyned to the kingdom of westsaxons. This kingdom vnto the end of Aluredus, was divided into Northumbria, Westsaxshyre, Gloucestershire, Worcester, Warwick, Lichfield, Couentry, Chester, Darbshyre, Staffordshyre, Shrotesbury, Driforde, Buckingham, Dorchester, Lincoln, Lecestre, &c.

(561) ¶ The kings of the Eastsaxons, with the yeares of their raigne.

Eastfaxons. Erchwinus. 35
Sledda. 17
Sebertus, O Sigebertus. 24

Sextredus, and Sewardus, byethen name. 7

This Sebertus nephew to Ethelbert king of Kent among these kings was first Christened by Mellitus, whype made the Church of Saules.

Sextred, & Seward, and Sigebert, expelled Mellitus the Bishop, because he would not minister to them the sacramental bread, they being not baptised.