

the Humber and Trent, which so often gave entrance to their predatory keels. Teesdale, on the Yorkshire side, is rather thickly marked by the termination *by*,—in the country where Baldersdale and Woden's Croft perpetuate the memory of the northern divinities. Eskdale and the Yorkshire coast as far as Bridlington have this affix to many villages; it is frequent in the interior along the Vales of Pickering and York; but fails remarkably in Holderness—the old Saxon realm of Deira—until we reach the Humber bank. In all the western dales of Yorkshire it is traceable, especially in Yoredale and the Valley of the Dun. In East Lincolnshire it is very prevalent, and stretches as far as Rugby and Naseby. Among towns with this termination we may notice Hunmanby, Whitby, Selby, Wetherby, Kirkby Moorside.

To pursue this subject a little farther, we find the traces of Norwegian rather than Danish occupation in the generic names for hills and valleys and streams and churches, through a great part of old Northumbria. Thus all the higher mountains of the north-west of Yorkshire are called 'Fells,'—a name which stretches into Lancashire, Westmoreland and Cumberland; the valleys, even far into Scotland, are called 'Dales'; the streams through nearly all Yorkshire are 'Becks'; the waterfalls, 'Forces'; the churches, 'Kirks.' Of 42 occurrences of Kirby or Kirkby, taken from an 'Index Villarum,' not one is in Northumberland, Durham or Scotland; 17 are in Yorkshire, 7 in Lincolnshire, 4 in Lancashire, 4 in Westmoreland, 3 in Leicestershire, 2 in Nottinghamshire, 2 in Norfolk, and 2 in Essex; 1 in Cheshire. ('Kirk,' like 'by,' is rare in Holderness.) Of 70 occurrences of 'Kirk'—terminal, separate, or followed by some other syllable than 'by'—we have 19 in Yorkshire, 18 in Scotland, 14 in Isle of Man, 6 in Cumberland, 5 in Northumberland, 2 in Lancashire, 2 in Derby, and 1 each in Lincoln, Norfolk, Suffolk, Oxfordshire.

From this it appears probable, that over a very general colour of Saxon population we may spread a Norwegian tint from the