

LOUGHER, ROBERT (died 1585?), civil lawyer and ecclesiastical administrator

Name: Robert Lougher
Date of death: 1585?
Child: Robert Lougher
Parent: Thomas Lougher
Gender: Male
Occupation: civil lawyer and ecclesiastical administrator
Area of activity: Law; Public and Social Service, Civil Administration; Religion
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Born at Tenby, the youngest son of Thomas Lougher, alderman of the borough. He became a Fellow of All Souls, Oxford (as founder's kin), in 1553, and graduated B.C.L. in 1558 (9 July). In 1561-3 he was presented to three sinecure rectories in Devon and became archdeacon of Totnes (21 February 1562). He attended the Convocation of 1562-3 as prolocutor for the Devon clergy, acquiescing in the majority decisions but voting against the six proposed Puritan articles. From 1564-70 and again from 1575-80 he was Principal of New Inn Hall, Oxford, and in 1565 (10 January) was elected Professor of Civil Law there, proceeding to his doctorate (19 February) and entering Doctor's Commons in the same year (25 February). When queen Elizabeth visited Oxford in 1566 Lougher was one of the doctors chosen to dispute before her (4 September) on civil law. He was made one of the foundation Fellows of Jesus in 1571, in 1572 represented Pembroke borough in parliament, and in 1574 became a master of chancery. In 1576 (14 July) he was sent as one of four commissioners to conduct a visitation of the diocese of Gloucester, and in May 1577 Edwin Sandys, archbishop of York, made him his vicar-general and chancellor, an office he retained until his death at Tenby in June, 1583 or 1585. His second son, ROBERT LOUGHER, entered Middle Temple 25 February 1599.

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