

100A No. 15

Tenby

Magdalen Domus

3690

Some small remnants of the Magdalen Domus yet exist. They consist of a square chimney and some walling. Immediately behind them is a cave in the limestone rock. Through the roof an aperture has been broken to give light or act as a chimney. Norris portrayed this venerable building when it was more perfect. His pictures will be found among the Phillipps' Collection in the Cardiff Library. Norris' Views, 15019, No. 23, 24. No. 23 is taken from what is now the lower station yard. It shows a bridge under the road, with the gable end of chapel and chimney in the background. No. 24 shows the old cottage on the other side of the road (still standing 1896) and a big pond by the Maudlyn House. This was an exteemely early foundation, for "Gilbert Marshal, about the year 1236, endowed it with lands for the relief of lepers there. The master was appointed by the Mayor of Tenby and his brethren to find one lazaar by the year" This is apparently the earliest mention of a Mayor of Tenby.