

*M. Wanley's Gloss
upon the 2 last preceding Slipps-viz^c*

N^o. 18.

This is a Fragment of the Gospel of S^t. Matthew, taken from a Ms Copy of the Gospels in the Cathedrall= Library at Durham. As to the Hand; It is English, and bears a good Resemblance to a Latin Charter of Ilotarius King of Kent now extant in y^e Cotton= Library [AVGVSTVS.II.] which bears Date Indictione septima, i.e. about the Year of our Lord 679. For this reason, I guess the said Book, & consequently this Fragment of it, to be, at least, a Thousand Years Old.

N^o. 19.

This is a Fragment of a Prologue prefixt to S^t. Luke's Gospel: taken from a Ms. Copy of the Gospels in the same Library. As to the Hand; It is Saxon, i.e. English: and (upon comparing it with divers other Hands, both Older, Never, & of about the same Age) it appears to be at least as Old as S^t. Eadfrid's Gospels in the Cotton= Library [NERO.D.IV.] Now if S^t. Eadfrid wrott that Book before he was made Bishop of Lindisfarne in the Year 687, whilst he was yet a Private man & at leisure, and the Book from whence this Fragment is taken seeming rather Older than that; We may be allowed to say, that this Fragment also was written, at least, a Thousand Years ago. And herein it is further Observable, that Luke is upon Every Leaf of this Gospel, wrott Lucanus.

*Hendum—that there² verō a Present to me, from
my most hon^d. & reverend Friends, the Dean & Chapter of Durham,
An^o Dom^m. 1700.*

