

A copy of a letter written by Jonathan Martin to the priests at York Minster.

York, Janery the 16, 1829

Hear the word of the Lord oh you Blind Hipacrits, you Serpents and Vipers of Hell You wine drinkers and beffe eaters whos Eyes Stand out with Fatness and still crying out more. More wine more plum pudding and Rost Beffe. Oh you fools and Greadey wolves your time is short and the Judgements of God is hanging over your Guilty Heades to burst upon you to send you to the Depest pit of Hell.

A page from a prayer book burnt in the fire.

Fundamen

foundations are upon u.
hills : the Lord loveth
of Sion more than all the
of Jacob.

cellent things are spoken
ou city of God.

think upon Rahab and
with them that know

ve the Philistines also :
with the Mori-
e born.

hall be report-
in her : and
e high her

and in the deep.

6 Thine indignation lieth hard
upon me : and thou hast vexed me
with all thy storms.

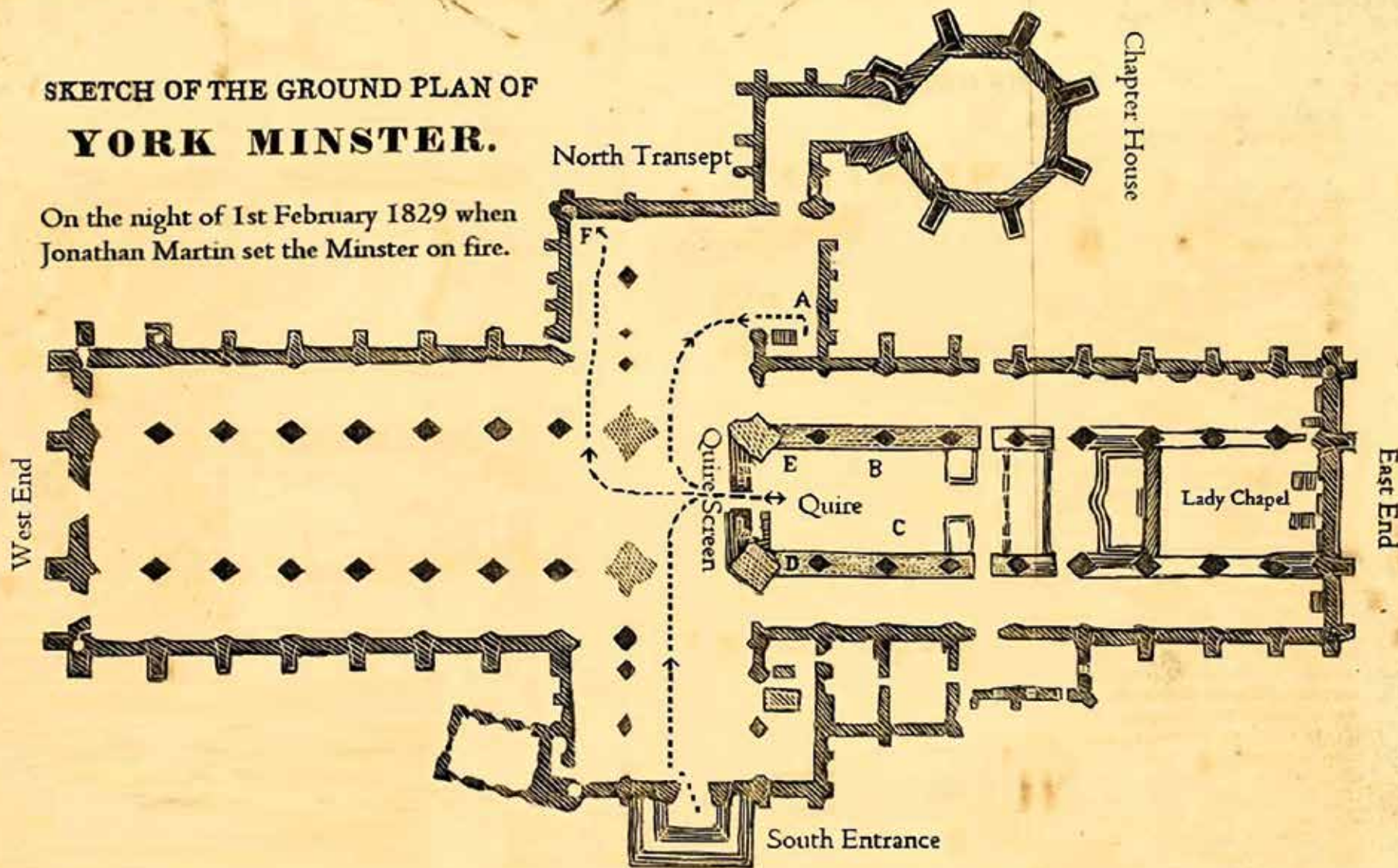
7 Thou hast put away mine ac-
quaintance far from me : and made
me to be abhorred of them.

8 I am so fast in prison : that I
cannot get forth.

9 My sight faileth for very trou-
ble : Lord, I have called daily
upon thee, I have stretched forth
my hands unto thee.

SKETCH OF THE GROUND PLAN OF
YORK MINSTER.

On the night of 1st February 1829 when
Jonathan Martin set the Minster on fire.



EXPLANATION OF THE REFERENCES.

- A - Archbishop William Greenfield's tomb where Jonathan Martin hid after Evensong.
- B - The place where the brass eagle stood.
- C - The Place where JM put the books and cushions and set fire to them before he left the Minster.
- D - The fire had extended from C to D when it was discovered.
- E - The point where the flames had reached half an hour after it was discovered.
- F - The window where the knotted rope was discovered where JM made his escape.

A piece of velvet Jonathan Martin cut from the Bishop's Throne and took with him after the fire.



Jonathan Martin's pocket knife found on him
when he was captured.



WHEREAS,

Jonathan Martin

Stands charged with having, on the Night of the 1st of February instant, wilfully set

FIRE

TO

YORK MINSTER.

**A REWARD OF
\$100.**

*Will be paid on his being Apprehended and Lodged in any of his Majesty's Gaols.
And a further Reward of*

One Hundred Pounds

Will be paid on the Conviction of any ACCOMPLICES of the said Jonathan Martin, to such Person or Persons as shall give Information which may lead to such Conviction.

The following is the Description of the said JONATHAN MARTIN, viz.

He is rather a Stout Man, about Five Feet Six Inches high, with light Hair cut close, coming to a point in the centre of the Forehead, and high above the temples, and has large bushy red Whiskers: he is between forty and fifty years of age; and of singular manners. He usually wears a single-breasted blue Coat, with a stand-up Collar, and buttons covered with the same cloth; a black cloth Waistcoat, and blue cloth Trowsers; Half-boots laced up in front, and a glazed broad-brimmed low-crowned Hat. Sometimes he wears a double-breasted blue Coat, with yellow buttons.—When travelling, he wears a large black-leather Cape coming down to his elbows, with two Pockets within the Cape; across the back of the leather Cape there is a square piece of dark-coloured Fur, extending from one shoulder point to the other.—At other times he wears a drab-coloured great Coat, with a large cape and shortish skirts.—When seen at York last Sunday, he had on the double-breasted blue Coat, a common Hat, and his great Coat.

The said JONATHAN MARTIN is a Hawker of a Pamphlet entitled "The Life of Jonathan Martin, of Darlington, Tinner," the Third Edition of which is printed at Lincoln, by R. E. LEARY, 1828.—He had lodged in York about a Month, and quitted it on the 27th of January last, stating that he was going to Tadcaster for a few Days, and thence to Leeds. He returned to York on the 31st of January, and said that he and his Wife had taken Lodgings in Leeds. He was not seen in York after the 1st of February.

By Order of the DEAN and CHAPTER of YORK,

Chris. Jno. Newstead,

Clerk of the Peace for the Liberty of St. Peter of York.

YORK, 5th FEBRUARY, 1829.

H. BELLERBY, PRINTER, GAZETTE-OFFICE, YORK.