

MALMESBURY -

☛ 1 important religious establishment in England which had associations with early organ history there, notably first with [Aldhelm](#) in the 7th and early 8thcs. Its importance lay also in reports that monks there were said to have come from Ireland and were responsible for teaching organ building. Since Maildolph is credited as being the first, and he taught Aldhelm, it is just possible that he introduced the organ to England a636. However Glastonbury Abbey might be the more secure claimant to this early transfer of organ technology in spite of the chronicles being over a century later.

☛ 2 William of Malmesbury 12thc English historian who wrote much in his chronicles which establishes *M*'s importance in the above connection.