

Reference code(s): GB 0214 DHEN

Title: Earls Talbot of Hensol Castle records

Creation date(s): 1738-1920

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 0.06 cubic metres (69 items)

Name of creator(s): Hensol estate

CONTEXT

Administrative/Biographical history: Mary Pritchard, daughter and co-heiress of Edward Pritchard of Llancaeath, Glamorgan, married David Jenkins of Hensol, also in Glamorgan. The male line of the Jenkins family from Hensol became extinct in the 18th century. The estate then passed to the Mathew family of Castell y Mynach, Pentyrch, Glamorgan, who obtained the Hensol estate by marriage. Cecil Mathew, daughter and heiress of Charles Mathew of Castell y Mynach and Hensol married Charles, 1st Baron Talbot. Charles and Cecil's son and heir, William Talbot, 2nd baron, was created Earl Talbot in 1761, a title which became extinct after his death, and Baron Dynevor in 1780. His only child, Cecil, married George Rice of Newton (later called Dynevor Castle). The remainder of the peerage of barony of Dynevor was left to Cecil, who became baroness Dynevor in 1782. She assumed the name of De Cardonnel by royal licence in 1787, pursuant to the will of her mother. William was succeeded in the Barony of Talbot by his nephew, John Chetwynd Talbot of Hensol. George and Cecil's son and heir was George Talbot Rice, 3rd Baron Dynevor, whose mother had inherited Castell y Mynach and a moiety of Llancaeath. He served as Tory M.P. for Carmarthenshire, 1790-1793. He assumed the additional surname of De Cardonnell by royal licence in 1793, but resumed the name Rice by royal licence in 1817. He was succeeded by his only son, George Rice, 4th baron, who assumed the additional surname of Trevor as inheritor of the Bromham estate from the Trevors of Glynde, Sussex. He died without male heir and the estate therefore passed to his cousin, Francis William, 5th baron, vicar of Fairford, Gloucestershire. Francis's son, 6th baron, was succeeded by his son, Walter Fitzuryn, 7th baron, who married Lady Margaret Child-Villiers, eldest daughter of the 3rd Earl of Jersey. He re-assumed by royal licence the surname of Rhys in lieu of Rice. According to the 1873 return of owners of land, The Rev. Lord Dynevor, owned 10,509 acres in Wales (in Carmarthenshire and Glamorgan), with an estimated rental of £18,552.

CONTENT

Scope and content/abstract: Deeds relating to the Castell-y-Mynach and Llancaeath estate in Glamorgan, 1738-1920; deeds relating to the Llantrisant mineral field, 1819-1920; estate rentals, 1838-1847; particulars of land to be sold, 1844-[c. 1863]; and a map showing the Earl of Talbot's lands and the mineral field, [post 1850].

ACCESS AND USE

Language/scripts of material: English

System of arrangement: Arranged into the following: deeds; rentals; particulars of land to be sold; property outside Glamorgan; memorandum and bills for payment of debts; and map showing the Earl of Talbot's lands and the mineral field.

Conditions governing access: No restrictions

Conditions governing reproduction: Normal Glamorgan Record Office conditions apply.

Finding aids: Hard copies of the handlist are available at Glamorgan Record Office and the National Register of Archives.

ARCHIVAL INFORMATION

Appraisal, destruction and scheduling information: All records deposited at Glamorgan Record Office have been retained.

Accruals: Accruals are not expected.

Archival history:

Immediate source of acquisition:

ALLIED MATERIALS

Related material: Further papers relating to the Hensol estate are The National Library of Wales, Hensol Estate Records; The National Library of Wales, Dynevor Estate Records; and Glamorgan Record Office, DD (Glamorgan estate papers of the Rice family, Barons Dynevor). Other records of the Dynevor estate are Carmarthenshire Archives Service, Dynevor Muniments, (Carmarthenshire estate). Further papers relating to the family's Neath Abbey estate are West Glamorgan Archive Service, DD Part 2.

DESCRIPTION NOTES

Note: Title supplied from contents of fonds.

Archivist's note: Compiled by Mair James for the HMC/NLW Family and Estates project. The following sources were used in the compilation of this description: Clark, George, T., *Limbus Patrum Morganiae et Glamorganiae*, (London, 1886); *Burke's Peerage, Baronetage & Knightage*, (London, 1959); *Complete Peerage* vol. VII. (London, 1887-1898).

Rules or conventions: This description follows ANW guidelines based on ISAD(G) Second Edition; AACR2 and LCSH.

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