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**Introduction**

The reversion of the manor of Weedon Beck, with the advowson of the church there, upon the death of Humphrey, earl of Stafford, was granted to the Provost and College of Eton by Letters Patent of 16 September 1443 (nos. 15 and 16). On 12 March 1445 the said Humphrey, now duke of Buckingham, was granted a licence to surrender the same to the College (nos. 17 and 18). The property had formerly belonged to the alien priory of Ogbourne, a cell of the abbey of Bec in Normandy. The lands do not appear ever to have supported a resident monk or monks, though "Radulfus monachus de Wedona" (of no. 2, dated 1180) might be taken as evidence to the contrary.

The grant of half of the manor of Weedon by Roger de Tedbolvill or Thibouville "while still young" (no. 1) cannot have taken place long after Domesday as a charter of his son William, confirming this half of the manor (or perhaps the other half) to the monks of Bec, is dated 1126.<sup>1</sup> Miss Morgan who has much to say about Weedon Beck and quotes many of the Eton records catalogued in this volume, seems to be in error here in finding two Williams de Thibouville and not mentioning Roger.<sup>2</sup> Porée quotes a charter of Henry II of 1178 containing the words: ex dono Rogerii de Tibouvilla medietatem cujusdam manerii in Anglia qui dicitur Widona, et ex dono Willelmi filii ejus ... aliam medietatem predicti manerii. William de Thibouville apparently fell into disgrace, and his lands were given to Robert, the second earl of Leicester. Two charters at least survive in which the latter confirmed to the monks of Bec their manor of Weedon, one at Eton, no 1 in this volume, with its remarkable seal, and the other in the Bibliothèque Nationale.<sup>3</sup> In the latter grant, which included the church, there is  
the

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1. A.A. Porée Historie de l'abbaye du Bec vol. 1 p.411.  
2. Marjorie Morgan The English lands of the abbey of Bec p.145.  
3. Porée, loc. cit.

the following clause: Sciendum quod Guillelmus de Tibouvilla jam illam dederat, sed quidam clericus adhuc eam tenebat cum idem Guillelmus adhuc esset in captione Henrici regis.

In the twelfth century survey of Northampton<sup>1</sup>, the abbey of Bec was shown as holding 4 hides in Wedon of the fee of the earl of Leicester and 8 small virgates in Adstone.

The earl of Leicester's grant was not interpreted, at a later date, as having conferred the View of Frankpledge upon the abbey. By an agreement with Simon de Montfort (no. 6) it was established that the earl's bailiff should have entry twice a year at the abbot's court for holding the same. Any profits from the View should go to the abbot, but he was also to bear the bailiff's expenses. The Court Rolls record many Views of Frankpledge of the Honour of Leicester or, as it became by absorption, the Duchy of Lancaster. The occasion could be a grim one. Twice within a year, on an early roll (no. 167), we find a capital sentence. On 18 July 1323 Matilda de Stoninstretforde was found guilty of breaking into the house of Juliana le Brotheres and stealing a blue surcoat, a tunic of perse, a hood of the same colour and a canvas. On 2 March 1324 Robert Grigge of Great Horwode was found guilty of breaking into the house of Margery Bernard and stealing three bed-spreads (tapet'), six sheets, a robe of russet and a pair of stockings. Both were condemned to be hanged. The place of execution is, or in Baker's time was, remembered by the name of Gallows furlong near Dodford mill.<sup>2</sup>

The agreement with Simon de Montfort is echoed in the Custumal (no. 406), the first clause of which is as follows:

First the King's grace findeth a steward to keepe the Law day in Weedonbeck twice in the yeare which Law day hath

beene

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1. Cott. MS. Vesp. B XXII fos. 94 et seq V.C.H. Northants vol. 1 pp. 370, 373.

2. History of the county of Northampton by George Baker (1830).

beene allways by the King's steward of the Duchy of Lancaster the Thursday after Hocks Tewsday and the Thursday after Saint Martin's day. And the said steward shall not receave nor take for his labours no manour fees of the Lord's nor of his officers but man's meat and horse meat for that day therebeing.

And all the ishews and proffets of the same court to grow to the Lord's advantage.

The fact that the tenants of the manor (including at one time a Prince of Wales [no. 95]) were entirely copyholders accounts for the large number of documents that accumulated for the manor of Weedon. There are further causes for the unusually large amount of nineteenth century correspondence, too large to be described in detail in this catalogue. On a highway from the earliest times - Watling Street runs through the village - Weedon Beck was intersected at the beginning of the industrial age both by the Grand Junction Canal and by the London and Birmingham Railway. There are many letters and other documents concerning both these projects which were not at all popular with the landowners. With respect to the latter, the Provost and College even drafted a petition to Parliament that another line might be found for the railway, citing the damage which had already been done to their estate by the cutting of the canal (no. 118). Another event which changed the face of Weedon in the last century was the construction of the Royal Military Depot of H.M. Ordnance. As the result of an Act of Parliament (no. 495) land was bought from the College for this purpose in 1804 (no. 87) and a large block of buildings went up, of which there is a handsome engraving in Baker. The site was extended during the century. These transactions swell the correspondence.

It was a far cry in the middle of the eighteenth century from Weedon Beck to Burlington, in the province of

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New Jersey, America. Some unusual documents (nos. 327 and 333) show that there was a family in that distant colony which had an interest in a copyhold estate of the Northamptonshire manor.

Noel Blackiston



Deeds

(1 - 107)

Grant by Robert earl of Leicester to the church of St. Mary of Bec of a moiety of the manor of Odon, which moiety Roger de Tedbolvill while still young gave to the said church and William his son also gave, after the death of his father. To hold free and quit of all scutage and aid and service. And grant also of the land of Derintona which Robert de Bellomonte gave them free and quit of the same. He has done this for the redemption of his soul and the salvation of himself, his brother, his sister and all his friends.

Mid. twelfth century.

R. comes Legr omnibus baronibus et hominibus suis et fidelibus et amicis suis Francis et Anglis de Anglia salutem

Sciatis me concessisse sancte Marie Beccensis ecclesie medietatem manerii de Odon quam medietatem Rogerus de Tedbolvill adhuc juvenis dedit eidem ecclesie et Willelmus filius ejus post mortem patris concess[....] [Con]cessi autem predictam medietatem Odone deo et sancte Marie plenarie cum omnibus que ad illam pertinent sicut Willelmus de Tedbolvill tenebat die qua inde fuit dissaisitus Concedo quoque quod monachi Beccensis ..... teneant liberam et quietam ab omni scutagio et auxiliis et servicio Concedo etiam eisdem monachis terram de Derintona quam Rodbertus de Bellomonte eis dedit liberam et quietam ab omni auxilio et scutagio [et ser]vicio Et hoc feci pro redemptione anime mee et pro salute mea et fratris mei et sororis mee et omnium amicorum meorum

Testibus Amicia uxore mea et Rodberto de Toenio Roberto de Novo [Bur]go et Willelmo Luvel et Rodberto Pincerna et Roberto filio Erchemb' et Rodberto Pincerna juniore et Willelmo de Pinu et Riboldo de Granviler et Roberto de pede in curia et Rodberto de Fraxineto et Anselmo de Diva et Roberto de Crest et Roberto filio Rodberti et Willelmo filio Roberti et servientes ecclesie Beccensis Willelmus

camerarius

camerarius abbatis et Rodbertus de Hasvilla et Etardus  
janitor.

Seal, about 75mm, constructed of a thread coated with natural coloured wax wound round and round a centre to make a circle. There seems to have been no impression on the surface. A most unusual seal. l. m.

Grant by Ralph, monk of Wedon, to David Darmenters on the second day after the death of William de Faveilly, second abbot of the abbey of St. James, Northampton, of 12s on condition that the monks of Bec shall hold from the said David and his heirs the mill of Stowa with its appurtenances, and Fenholm, quit of farm, from the date aforesaid until the feast of All Saints in the following year, and thence yearly he will pay 12s at All Saints for the farm. 1180.

Sciunt tam futuri quam presentes quod Radulfus monachus de Wedona dedit David Darmenters xij solidos secundo die obitus Willelmi de Faveilli secundi abbatis sancti Jacobi de Norht ea condicione quod monachi sancte Marie de Becco tenerent de David et de heredibus suis molendinum de Stowa cum pertinenciis et Fenholm quietum a firma a predicto termino usque festivitatem omnium sanctorum sequentis anni et ab illo termino annuatim reddet xij solidos pro firma ad festivitatem omnium sanctorum

Testibus his      Warnero Disel      Gerardo Disel  
H. Bretuif      H. Forestaric      Waltero presbytero de Wed'  
Andreas presbytero de Dodef'      Reginaldo Stunstal  
Winebaldo et Galfrido filio ejus et Willelmo filio Anselmi  
Ricardo Hordem de Everd'      Thoma de Ardene  
Ricardo Darmenter      David filio David

Seal, round, 57mm, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag. Three swords, one pointing downwards between two pointing upwards. l. m.

Confirmation by King John to the abbey of Bec of 48 acres of new assart and 2 acres of old assart in the manor of Wedon free of all forest dues. The men of the said manor to be quit of swanemot. Rouen 31 March 1203.

Johannes dei gracia rex Anglie dominus Hybernie dux  
Normannie Aquitanie comes Andegavie Archiepiscopis episcopis  
abbatibus comitibus baronibus justiciariis vicecomitibus  
prepositis ministris et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis  
salutem

Sciatis nos pro amore dei et pro salute nostra et pro  
animabus antecessorum et successorum nostrorum concessisse et  
presenti carta nostra confirmasse abbati et monachis de Becco  
quadraginta et octo acras de novo assarto ad perticam nostram  
et duas acras de veteri assarto in manerio suo de Wedon liberas  
et quietas de essarto et rewarde et de visu forestariorum et ab  
omni consuetudine et exactione que ad forestariam pertinent et  
quod in numero assartorum non contineantur et quod homines  
predictorum abbatis et monachorum de predicto manerio de Wedon  
liberi et quieti sint de swanemot in perpetuum Quare volumus  
et firmiter precipimus quod predicti abbas et monachi predicta  
essarta habeant et teneant bene et in pace libere et quiete  
integre plenarie et honorifice in omnibus locis et rebus et  
predictos homines suos de Wedon liberos et quietos de swanemot  
inperpetuum sicut predictum est

Testibus R. comite Leyc' G. filii Petri comite Essex'  
Willelmo comite Sar' Willelmo de Breosa  
Willelmo Bryewerr Roberto filio Walteri  
R. constabulario Cestr' Sahero de Quenci

Datum per manum Symonis prepositi Beverlac' et  
archidiaconi Wellensis apud Rothomagum xxxj die Marcii anno  
regni nostri quarto

The Great Seal, dark green wax, on plaited green silk  
cords. A perfect specimen.

l. m.

Confirmation by King Henry III to the abbey of Bec of the new and old assart in the manor of Wedun granted by King John. Westminster 13 February 1227.

Henricus dei gracia rex Anglie dominus Hibernie dux Normannie Aquitanie et comes Andegavie Archiepiscopis episcopis abbatibus prioribus comitibus baronibus justiciariis vicecomitibus prepositis ministris et omnibus ballivis et fidelibus suis salutem

Sciatis nos pro dei amore et pro salute nostra et pro animabus antecessorum et successorum nostrorum concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse abbati et monachis de Becco quadraginta et octo acras de novo assarto ad perticam nostram et duos acras de veteri assarto in manerio suo de Wedun liberas et quietas de essarto et rewaro et de visu (...) in perpetuum sicut carta Johannis regis patris nostri quam inde habent testatur. Quare volumus et firmiter precipimus quod predicti abbas et monachi predicta assarta habeant et teneant bene et in pace libere et quiete integre plenarie et honorifice in omnibus locis et rebus et predictos homines suos de Wedon liberos et quietos de swanemot inperpetuum sicut predictum est

Testibus E. Londoniensi J. Bathoniensi R. Sarrisberiensis P. Wintoniensi episcopis H. de Burgo justiciario nostro W. de Eineford R. de Argent' senescallis nostris et aliis Datum per manum venerabilis patris R. Cystrensis episcopi cancellarii nostri apud Westmonasterium anno regni nostri undecimo terciodecimo die Februarii

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited red silk cords. A perfect specimen.

l. m

1. As in no.3.

Quitclaim by master Walter Hyldeborgh to the monks of Bec of a virgate of land which he held from them in Wedon, that virgate to wit which William Hyldeborgh his father held from them.

Noverint universi Christi fideles ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit quod ego magister Walterus Hyldeborgh reddidi remisi et quietam clamavi pro me et heredibus meis deo et ecclesie beate Marie de Becco et ejusdem loci monachis unam virgatum terre cum pertinenciis quam de eis tenui in Wedon illam scilicet quam Willelmus Hyldeborgh pater meus aliquando de predictis monachis tenuit

Ita quod ego vel heredes mei in predicta virgata terre cum pertinenciis nichil juris decetero clamare poterimus

In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus	Roberto de Grimestot	Hugone de Capes
Willelmo Thilly	Ricardo de Flore	Waltero de
Snokescumb	Roberto del Estre	Hugone Nimol
Thoma de Lichebarowe		
Willelmo de Warewic et multis aliis		

Seal, pointed oval, originally about 25mm, greenish wax, on doubled tag. The right half has been broken away. Head of a man looking to the left.

† .....ORHAMTON.

l. m

[? 14<sup>th</sup> century] copy of release by Symon de Monteforti,  
 earl of Leicester, to the abbot and monks of Bec of all suit  
 belonging to himself and his heirs from their men in the  
 manor of Wedon. But his bailiff is to have entry twice a  
 year at the abbot's court for holding the view of frankpledge.  
 Whatever profit may come from the said view is to remain to  
 the abbot and monks by his gift; saving to the grantor and  
 his bailiff the power, if anyone shall complain of the said  
 abbot, of exhibiting justice according to the law of the land  
 in the county of Northampton; saving also to the bailiff who  
 shall make the said view at Wedon his competent lodging.

[Witnessing and dating clause not completed. Some  
 bars of music written on dorse].

1 m.

7

Another copy.

1 m.

8

Another copy.

1 f.

Quitclaim by Nicholas le Cartere of Wedon Bek to John de Staunford of Norhampton of all his right in a messuage and two virgates of land with their appurtenances in Wedon Bek which the said John has of his gift.

Witnesses: Robert de Daventre, Knight, Bustace de Burneby, Robert le Bret, Roger de Bernes.

Wedon Bek 10 January 1326.

Seal, round, 19mm, red wax, on doubled tag.

A shield of arms, within an elaborate star-shaped border; a saltire on a fleur de lys. A legend.

*l. m.*

Quitclaim by John de Staunforde of Northampton to the abbot of Bec Herlewin and the convent there of all his right in a messuage and two virgates with their appurtenances in Wedone Bek, which the said abbot had recovered from him in the King's court before Roger le Beler and his fellow justices of assise in the county of Northampton in the time of Edward II.

Witnesses: Robert de Daventr', Knight, John de Cauntebrugg, Robert de Asshelye and John de Braunfelde, Robert le Bret, Roger de Bernes, Robert de Ely, and William de Arundell, citizens of London.

London. 12 February 1327.

Seal, round, 21mm, red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial; a lozenge-shaped shield, within a cusped border, ermine a cross of annalets [?the arms of Rob<sup>t</sup> de Daventr'].  
*l. m.*

\*LA CROYS MAVAUNSE \*



Similar quitclaim by Nicholas brother of John de Staunforde.  
Witnesses and date the same.

Seal, round, 21mm, red wax, on doubled tag. Within a circular cusped border the symbols of the Evangelists; in the centre within a circle the head of [?Christ].

† MARCUS MATHEUS LUCAS JOHANNES.

l. m

11<sup>a</sup>

Another copy of the quitclaim of Nicholas brother of John de Staunforde.

Seal as before.

Endorsed that the document was enrolled coram domino Rege  
Hil: 1 Edward III.

l. m

[Public Record Office, Coram Rege Roll (K.B.27) no.267 m.4].

12

Indenture, 23 June 1353, of lease for 6 years by brother Peter de Falco, prior of Okebourne, attorney general of the abbey of Bee in England, to William in the Combe of Chyselden, of the manor of Wedon with the fruits and tithes of the church there and all other appurtenances, reserving to the lessor the advowson of the vicarage and the profit of the woods.  
Rent, to be paid at Ruisshlep, for the first two years 50<sup>l</sup> sterling each year and for the remaining four years 60<sup>l</sup> each year. The lessee to keep the buildings in repair and to maintain a woodward at his own expense. For the greater security of the lessor, recognizance by the lessee of 60<sup>l</sup> to the lessor by statute merchant.

Ruisshlep.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

l. m

Indenture of receipt by John de Chesterton and John de Bodecote, both of the county of Oxford, from brother Peter de Falco, prior of Okeburn and attorney general in England of the abbey of Bee, in their manor of Wedon Beck which the said John and John hold on lease, of the following goods and chattels to be held to the end of their term viz.

In the hall

a table with two trestles  
a table with feet  
three small forms  
a basin

In the pantry

two spits  
a barrel containing thirty gallons  
a "stonde" for beer containing sixteen gallons  
two canvas cloths of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  ells

In the larder

two wooden troughs

In the kitchen

two brass pots without feet one containing  $1\frac{1}{2}$  gallons  
and the other a gallon  
a brass pitcher with one foot containing a pottle  
two broken brass caldrons hooped with iron one  
containing eight gallons and the other six gallons  
a broken kettle containing four gallons  
a lead vessel standing in the oven  
a tripod  
a moberd (?a moulding board or kneading board)  
a mortar  
an axe worth 6d  
a dressing board

In the bake-house

a wooden trough  
a tub  
a worn out hair sieve containing two yards

## In the dairy

two cell'(?)

## In the granary

an old measure (modium)

four sacks and an old sack, each containing 6 bushels

an old winnowing fan

a sieve

a small sieve broken

## In the stable

a horse worth 13s:4dtwo horses worth 13s:4d

## In the cowshed

ten oxen worth 12s a heada bull worth 10sfourteen cows with their calves worth 8s a heada cow without a calf worth 7sfive heifers that have calved worth 7s a head

## In the pigstyes

a boar worth 3sa sow with seven piglets worth 3stwo sows in litter worth 3s a headtwo sows not in litter worth 3s a headfifteen pigs worth 22d a headnine little pigs worth 16d a head

## Item

a gander

two geese

six goslings

a hundred and eighteen lambs worth 7d a heada cart fitted with iron 13s:4dan old body of a cart worth 10d

an old saddle

two collars with two old pairs of traces

## Item, continued,

four woods for cart axles  
 two ploughs with ironwork, yokes and iron lans (i.e.  
 rings to which the traces were fastened) for the  
 same for ten oxen  
 a plough without its gear  
 four harrows one old  
 a new ladder of thirty feet  
 a fork for sheaves  
 a spade  
 two shovels  
 a dung fork  
 an iron pynner for the well (?a pin, to make fast the  
 rope)  
 an iron coterel for a bucket (coterel, cotterel, cotter,  
 a pin, key, wedge, bolt, bar, for hanging a pot over  
 the fire etc.)

## Item

two pieces of land sown with wheat, one piece called  
 Great Whethull and the other Netherestokkyng  
 seven furrows next Alameswode sown with maslin  
 a piece called Dounge sown with rye  
 a piece called Little Whethull, two pieces called  
 Inlond, a piece called Cronchfurlang on the east,  
 sown with drage  
 a piece of fallow called Overestokkyng, Ailmereslegh  
 and Cogtroghehul and a piece called Monekeshod

Dated at Wedon 23 June 1356

Two Seals, round, red wax, one on each tag of a slit  
doubled tag.

(1) 20mm. Within a Gothic arch a Knight in armour, his  
head turned to the right, in his right hand a lance, in his left  
hand

hand a shield bearing a cross. Beneath, under an arch, the head and shoulders of a praying figure.

S' MARTIN DE ISMENTONE

(2) 16mm. A device.

X LEGET...

l. m.

Indenture of lease by brother William de Sancto Vedasto, prior of Okebourne and proctor of the abbey of Bec in England, to John de Newenham, dean of Wolvernehampton, Thomas West, parson of Eketon, and John de Leyre, parson of Dodyngton, of all the manor of Wedon Bek, with the rectory there, together with all tithes appertaining and the advowson of the vicarage; from 4 May next for 9 years. Rent 45<sup>l</sup> sterling. The prior acknowledges the receipt of 50<sup>l</sup>, and will allow the lessees 10<sup>l</sup> therefrom for the first year's rent and 5<sup>l</sup> a year for each of the remaining 8 years.

Wedon 1 March [?1369]

Seals, red wax, on doubled tag.

(1) Only a trace.

(2) Originally oval, about 25mm, chipped away at top and bottom. St. Andrew crucified. On the right a star and crescent, on the left (?) E O. A legend.

(3) Round, 17mm, cracked. A device. A legend.

Letters Patent granting in frankalmoin to the Provost and College of Eton the reversion of the manor of Wedonbeke alias Wedonbek, co. Northampton, parcel of the alien priory of Okebourne, upon the death of Humphrey, earl of Stafford, who holds the same for life.

Westminster 16 September 1443

Decorative penwork of initials of top line.

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The Great Seal, green wax, on green and red silk cords, a good impression, chipped away on top right hand side.

l. m.

16

Another copy of the foregoing.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, a good impression.

l. m.

17

Letters Patent permitting Humphrey Duke of Buckingham, formerly earl of Stafford, to surrender to the Provost and College the manor of Wedonbeke, granted to him for life by Letters Patent of 11 June 1439.

Westminster 12 March 1445.

Decorative penwork of initials of top line sketched but not completed.

The Great Seal, green wax, on green and red silk cords, a good impression.

l. m.

18

Another copy of the foregoing. Elaborate initials.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, a good impression.

l. m.

19

Indenture, 4 October 1490, of lease for 18 years by Henry Brodurs, of Shelleswell, co. Oxford, to John Hossewyn and William Hossewyn, of Buckeby, co. Northampton, of a water mill in Wedon Bek, co. Northampton, with all its appurtenances. Rent 46s:8d. The lessee to keep the same in repair at his own expense, except for large timber, which the lessor is to provide

provide, when asked, within 40 days. Wedon Bek.

Seal, round, 17mm, red wax, on doubled tag. A device.  
(?) COR DCM.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 14 June 1563, by the Provost and College to Thomas Judkyn, Richard Wawe and John Clyfforde, of Wedon Becke, yeomen, of the manor of Wedon Becke with all its appurtenances, except woods and underwoods and profits of lawdays and courts. From Lady Day last for 51 years. Rent 36<sup>l</sup> and forty "Goode weither sheepe, sownde, fatte shamble waire of Chilterne breede or as goode." If any of the sheep are insufficient in quality, the lessees are to pay the price of others which the lessors shall buy elsewhere.

Three Seals, round, 16mm, red wax, on doubled tags.

- (1) A device. A legend.
- (2) Within foliage R W.
- (3) A flower on a stalk; the stalk between T and H. On either side of the flower a star.

l. m

Indenture of discharge, 1 November 1572, by the same to Thomas Spensor, esquire, executor of the last will of Thomas Judkyn, deceased, Richard Wawe and John Clifforde of all arrears of rents and all actions suits etc. Some ambiguity and doubt was supposed by the College whether the lessees had paid their full rent, but at the audit held on 20 October last it was found that full payment had been made.

Witnesses: William Charman, Benjamin Owtred, the scribe, John Lucas.

Mark of Wawe's attorney and signature "Jhon Cleffard".

Two doubled tags with traces of red wax Seals.

l. m

Attached to the foregoing by a parchment tag is the following:

Appointment, 3 September 1572, by Richard Wawe, yeoman, of his son-in-law William Gogen, of Weedonbeck, innholder, as his attorney to seal and deliver for him an indenture (the foregoing).

Witnesses: Martyn Chambarlyn, Williame Renolds, John Lucas.  
Mark of Wawe.

Seal, round, 16mm, red wax, on doubled tag. A lion passant. l. m.

Indenture of agreement, 4 November 1572, between the Provost and College of one part and Richard Wawe and John Clyfford, of Wedon Beak, yeomen, of the other. By lease of 14 June 1559 the Provost and College had let the manor of Wedon Beake to Thomas Judkyn (lately deceased) and the said Richard and John. In the lease there was a clause by which the lessees were to pay 40 good wether sheep, sound fat shamble ware of Chiltern breed, to be delivered at the pasture of Eton called the playing lease between the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist and 20 August. Now it is agreed that the lessees shall pay, in lieu of the sheep, 16l.

Fragment of the College Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. l. m.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: William Charman, Benjamyn Owtred, the scribe, John Lucas.

Mark of Wawe and signature "Jhon Cleffard".

Two Seals, round, red wax, on doubled tags.

(1) 11mm. A device.

(2) 17mm, fragmentary. I (?C), within foliage. l. m.



Indenture of bargain and sale, 31 January 1593, by the Provost and College to Anthony Gall of London, gentleman, for 105l, of all fines for the granting and letting of copyholds, all heriots, amercements, penalties, pains, forfeitures, reliefs, escheats, wards, marriages, waifs, strays, felons' goods and all other perquisites and profits of courts and leets within the manors of Wedon Beake and Everdon, for 21 years. The grantee to hold courts when he shall think fit, but they are to be held in the name of the Provost and College and not in his name. The 105l to be paid at the rate of 5l a year throughout the term. The grantor may hold courts of survey, courts leet and courts baron, but may not take any fines without the consent of the grantee (except for fines taxed for the perfecting of any defect of any grant heretofore made to the College).

Witnesses: Benjamyn Owtred, clerk, bursar.

Signature of Grantee.

Seal, oval, 15mm, red wax, on doubled tag. A G. *l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 20 November 1609, by the Provost and College to Robert Wawe and Leonard Clifford of two houses, now or late in the tenure of John Billington and Edward Gare, in the parish of Wedon Beke, one on a parcel of ground called the Towne Greene, the other on a parcel of ground between two furlongs called Great Whethills and Little Whethills, also all those their several parcels of ground called Rigles Waye, Lewesper Waie, Smythes Meade, the Towne Hadland, Debdayle Waye and Monkeforde Waye, in the same parish. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent 12d, and a peck of wheat and half a bushel of malt or their money value.

Witnesses: Thomas Hochinson, Benjamyn Owtred, public notary.

Signature

Signature of "Leonard Clyfford".

Seals

- (1) Doubled tag but Seal missing.
- (2) Round, 14mm, red wax, on doubled tag. A hound.

l. m.

27

Attached to the foregoing is the following:

Bond by Richard Wawe and Leonard Clifford in 201 to the Provost and College to permit John Billington to inhabit the house or cottage mentioned in the foregoing lease during his life for a rent of 3s:4d, and Edward Gare, smith, to work in the other house, which is a little shop he has erected, during his life for a rent of 3s:4d.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signatures of Wawe and Clyfford.

Seals, round, 14mm, red wax, on tongues

- (1) (Wawe). A boar's head, erased.
- (2) (Clifford). A hound, as on foregoing.

l. m.

28

Indenture of lease, 24 November 1609, by the Provost and College to Richard Wawe and Leonard Clifford, yeomen, of the site and demesnes of the manor of Wedon Beake with the several parcels of ground in the fields and parish of Wedon Beake called the Inlandes Asharde Orchard, containing 34 acres, Saverisse close, containing 12 acres, the Mill close, containing 3 roods, Duffhowse furlong, containing 2 acres and 1 rood, Little Whethills, containing 6 acres, Greate Whethills, containing 10 acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood, Courte pasture and three little furlongs arable thereunto belonging, containing 100 acres or thereabouts, the Dunge, containing 8 acres, Allames roode containing 13 acres and 16 pole, Over Inmeade, containing 3 acres 3 roods,

Inmeade

Inmeade Townes, containing 2 acres and 1 rood, Nether Inmeade, containing 3 acres, Court furlongs towards Dadford and Coppedwell, containing 24 acres; and a close of pasture called Oxleasures, containing 6½ acres, next to the King's high way called London Lane and near the parcel of land called the Inlandes; and the mill called Wedon Mill, with all waters, fishing, dams, rivers and all other profits belonging; except all woods and underwoods. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, and 9 quarters of wheat and 12 quarters of malt, or their money value, and 40 fat wethers. If any of the latter are insufficient in quality, the lessees are to pay the price of others which the lessors shall buy elsewhere.

Witnesses: Thomas Hochinson, Benjamyn Owtred, public notary.

Signatures of lessees.

Seals, red wax, on doubled tags, as on foregoing (No.26).

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 8 November 1613, by the same to Robert Wawe, gent., son of the said Richard Wawe, and Leonard Clifford, yeoman, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signatures of lessees.

Two doubled tags with traces of red wax Seals.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 2 December 1624, by the same to Mathew Bust, of Eton, gent., upon surrender of the foregoing lease which had been assigned to him, of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: Thomas Hochinson, Henry Saire.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, oval, 14mm, red wax, on doubled tag. A swan.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 20 February 1632, by the same to Richard Franklyn, of Eton, gent., of the same. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: William Tidner (mark), Henry Sayer.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 8 May 1639, by the same to Anne Bust, of Foord in the parish of Mottesfont, co. Southampton, widow, of the same. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: William Barlow, George Lashe.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag for Seal which is missing.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 8 May 1639, by the same to the same of the woods and underwoods growing in the parish of Weedon called Weedon Wood, also the wood called Everdon Wood otherwise called Stubbs, lying in the parish of Everdon inclosed in a little close adjoining the west part of Weedon Wood, containing one acre of wood and underwood. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent 8l:6s:8d.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 8 May 1639, by the same to the same, upon surrender of a lease to Matthew Bust, gent., of two houses in Weedon Beake with certain parcels of ground (as before, No.26). From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, oval, 16mm, red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial, three crosses,(?) three lions rampant.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 1 May 1649, by the same to the same of the same. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: William Barlow, Barnabas Barlow, Katharin Bust.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. Armorial; a bad impression, a shield smaller than on the foregoing deed, but apparently bearing the same arms.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 1 May 1649, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods (as before). From Lady Day last for 21 years.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 8 May 1656, by the same to Nicholas Hobart, of Lynsey, co. Suffolk, esquire, of the manor of Weedon Beck (as before). From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: Thomas Goad, Matthew Barlow, Osbert Fowler, notary public.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, round, 10mm, red wax, on doubled tag. (?)a wolf.

*l. m.*

38

Indenture of lease, 8 May 1656, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

*l. m.*

39

Indenture of lease, 8 May 1656, by the same to the same of the two houses in Weedon Beak. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. No impression, and broken.

*l. m.*

40

Indenture of lease, 28 July 1663, by the same to Sarah Hobart, of Linsey, co. Suffolk, widow, of Weedon and Everdon woods. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Doubled tag from which the [College] Seal has been cut away.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 30 July 1677, by the same to Matthew Barlow, of Lockerly, co. Southampton, doctor in phisick, of the manor of Wedon Beak. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: Charles Foulks, Edward Spragg.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 26 July 1677, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with traces of red wax Seal.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 30 July 1677, by the same to the same of the two houses in Weedon Beak. From Lady Day last for 21 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Doubled tag with fragment of red wax Seal.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 21 November 1749, by the same to Samuel Goddard, of St. Martin in the Fields, co. Middlesex, esquire, executor of the will of Ann Hancock, late of Forley, co. Wilts, widow, deceased, upon surrender of a lease to the said Ann, of the same. From Lady Day last for 20 years.

Rent

Rent as before.

Witnesses: William Tyrrell, Charles Sheerer.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied. Armorial, a Catherine wheel.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 21 November, 1749, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods. From Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

l. m.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: William Tyrrell, Charles Sheerer.

Seal, red wax, applied. Armorial, a Catherine wheel (as on No. 44).

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 10 March 1757, by the same to Thomas Blatsoe, of Harold, co. Bedford, gent., of the manor of Weedonbeck with parcels of ground (called Inlands Ashard Orchard, Sunrise close, the Mill close, Inmead Towns, Dovehouse furlong, Little Wheat Hills, Great Wheat Hills, Court pasture, the Dung, Alms rood, Overing mead, Nethering mead, Court furlongs towards Hadford Coped well, Ox Leasures). From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  and 9 quarters of wheat and 12 quarters of malt, or their money value, and 32 $\frac{1}{2}$  in lieu of 40 fat wethers.

Witnesses: G. Kendall, W<sup>m</sup> Paradise.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. A bearded head.

l. m.



Indenture of lease, 10 March 1757, by the same to the same of the two houses in Weedonbeck. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 10 March 1757, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 1 February 1764, by the same to the same (of Weedonbeck, gent.) of the manor of Weedonbeak. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

l. m.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Stephen Hawtrey, Humphrey Roberts.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. Armorial.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 1 February 1764, by the same to the same of the two houses in Weedonbeck. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 30 October 1770, by the same to Charles Bletsoe, of Harrold, co. Bedford, gent., executor of the will of Thomas Bletsoe, deceased, of the manor of Weedonbeck. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: Ann Nevil, S. Oakden.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. Armorial.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 30 October 1770, by the same to the same of the two houses in Weedonbeck. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 30 October 1770, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 13 December 1777, by the same to the same of the manor of Weedonbeck. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: John Zelly, Thomas Hatchwell.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. Two heads.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 13 December 1777, by the same to the same of the two houses in Weedonbeck. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 13 December 1777, by the same to the same of Weedon and Everdon woods. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal as on foregoing.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 6 October 1784, by the same to the same of all their lands and tenements in Weedonbeck (references to allotment numbers on Enclosure map), including Weedon wood and Stubbs wood in Everdon, which woods are now converted into arable or pasture. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent

20l:7s:8d, 9 quarters 1 peck of wheat and 12 quarters 2 pecks

of

of malt or their money value, and 321 in lieu of 40 weather sheep.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

l. m.

Bond, 6 October 1784, by Charles Bletsoe in 2601 to the Provost and College for the observance of the foregoing.

Witness: Ed. Barker.

Signature of Bletsoe.

Seal, red wax.

1  
2 fs.

Indenture of lease, 17 June 1791, by the Provost and College to the same of the same. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witness: Anne Nevil, sister to Mr. Bletsoe.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 18 January 1801, by the same to the same of the same. From old Lady Day 1798 for 20 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: J. Gardner, W<sup>m</sup> Frogatt.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

l. m.

Indenture of bargain and sale, 18 February 1801, by the same to John Clarke, of Welton Place, co. Northants, esquire, the Rev<sup>d</sup> William Lucas Rose of Daventry, co. Northants, clerk, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Charles Crawley of Stow with Nine Churches, co. Northants, clerk, the Rev<sup>d</sup> John Andrew, of Daventry, clerk, Charles Watkins, of Daventry, gent., Henry Hickman, of Daventry, gent., and John Penn, of Daventry, gent., being seven of the trustees appointed by an Act of 15 George III for repairing the highways from Old Stratford, co. Northants, to Dunchurch, co. Warw., of 2 roods and 28 perches of land in Weedon Beck and Stow with Nine Churches, parcel of Ellands and Ox Leys now or late in the tenure of Thomas Barnett. For one year. Rent a peppercorn.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

*l. m.*

Indenture of release, 19 February 1801, by the same to the same, for 67l:16s, of the same, in perpetuity, for the purpose of enlarging the turnpike road from Old Stratford to Dunchurch.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Endorsed by the Rev<sup>d</sup> William Roberts, bursar of the College, that the money has been received; the endorsement witnessed by Edward Brown, registrar of the College, and Peter Gray, porter to the College.

*l. m.*

Indenture of lease, 30 July 1805, by the same to Charles Bletsoe, gent., of lands and tenements in Weedonbeck (as before, with the lands for the turnpike road subtracted). From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent 20l:7s:8d, and 650 gallons 1 quart of wheat and 868 gallons 2 quarts of malt or their money value, and 32l in lieu of 40 wether sheep, and 16l:1s:1<sup>3</sup>d

in

in consideration of the Redemption of Land Tax.

The College Seal and tag missing.

l. m.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: E. Brown, registrar of the College, F. Oakden, attorney at law, Daventry.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. A classical head.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 29 July 1812, by the same to Ann Bletsoe, of Harold, co. Bedford, spinster, niece, and one of the devisees named in the will, of Charles Bletsoe, gent., deceased, of the same. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

l. m.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Thomas Orton Gery, attorney, Daventry, Thezia Spencer, servant to Miss Bletsoe.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. A.

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 14 June 1819, by the same, for 700l, to the same of the same. This is a schedule of the lands, being in Weedonbeck, Stow and Everdon, and amounting to 288 acres 2 roods and 36 perches. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. m.s.

Counterpart of the foregoing.  
Witnesses: William Cox, Mary Church.  
Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax. Armorial.

2. m.s.

Indenture of lease, 3 August 1826, by the same, for 777l:18s:6d, to the same of the same. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Doubled tag for the College Seal, which has been cut off.

2. m.s.

Counterpart of the foregoing.  
Witness: Thomas Orton Gery, attorney, Daventry.  
Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

2. m.s.

Indenture of lease, 13 April 1833, by the same, for 8211:19s, to the same of the same. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before. A small paper map is enclosed.

Doubled tag for the College Seal, which has been cut off.

2. ms.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: T. Quintin, Hatley Park, Cambridgeshire.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

2. ms.

Indenture of bargain and sale, 15 October 1835, by Edward Lloyd Williams, of Edgbaston, near Birmingham, co. Warwick, esquire, Clement Ingleby, of Birmingham, gentleman, and William Barlow, of Birmingham, gentleman, with the consent of William Dudley Ryder, gentleman, and William Dugard, coach harness manufacturer, both of Birmingham, and of Thomas Beale, late of Birmingham, saddler dealer and chapman, to Mary Dixon Nairn, of Birmingham, widow, of a parcel of copyhold ground in the manor of Weedon Beck (described). The vendors are commissioners named in a commission of bankruptcy issued against Thomas Beale.

Witnesses: Signatures of parties.

1. m.

Nine Seals, red wax.

Endorsed that the indenture was presented at a court of the manor held on 30 October 1835. Signatures of Thomas Allin, foreman of the homage, Robert Mead and John Barge.



Indenture of agreement, 13 July 1836, between the London and Birmingham Railway Company and the Provost and College by which, further to an agreement between the same parties for the sale by the College to the Company of certain lands in Weedonbeck for the construction of a railway, the Company undertakes to fill in certain ditches, level a hedge, make a bridge, a viaduct and a road (references to a coloured plan on the back of the indenture).

Witness: the secretary of the Company.

Seal, round, 45mm, red wax, on doubled tag. Two shields of arms. A bad impression.

1. m.

Indenture of lease, 9 May 1840, by the Provost and College, for 814l:19s:4d, to Ann Bletsoe of the demesnes of Weedonbeck (as before). From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

Doubled tag for the College Seal, which has been cut away.

2. ms.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Thomas Barnard, banker, Bedford.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 14 May 1847, by the same, for 818l:5s:8d, to the same of the same. From old Lady Day last for 20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

2. ms

81

Indenture of lease, 6 May 1854, by the same, for  
7871:16s3d, to Mary Ann St. Quintin, of Harold, co. Bedford,  
widow, niece and devisee named in the will of Ann Bletsoe,  
spinster, deceased, of the same. From old Lady Day last for  
20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms.

82

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Thomas Barnard, Bedford.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, black wax.

2. ms

83

Indenture of lease, 14 May 1861, by the same, for  
8881:6s:2d, to the same of the same. From old Lady Day  
last for 20 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms.

84

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: S.J. Bennett, wine merchant, Worthing.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax.

2. ms

Draft of conveyance, [....] 1799, by the Provost and College and Charles Bletsee, gent., their lessee, to the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal of certain pieces of land (specified) in Weedon Beck; for the sums of 2433l:10s:3d to the Provost and College and 1340l to Charles Bletsee, which include compensation for damages already done to the property of the vendors in the making of embankments and towpaths for the said canal.

6 fs.

Agreement, Weedon Beck, 20 May 1799, between Thomas Eagle and W. Hodgkinson, one of the Road Commissioners, concerning the new road.

Witness: J. Penn.

2 fs.

Contract, 28 January 1804, between Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal 5 October 1803 for the execution of an Act of the last Parliament for vesting in trustees certain lands at Weedon Beck for erecting buildings for His Majesty's Ordnance, and the Provost and College of Eton, lords of the manor of Weedon Beck, by which the Commissioners agree for the absolute purchase of the same (described) for 549l:15s.

Five red wax applied Seals of the Commissioners and the College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

1. m

Abstract of the foregoing, dated 1841.

4 fs.

Surrender, 14 June 1809, by Richard Hewitt of Dodford, co. Northants, grazier, for 1185l:18s:9d for the use of the principal officers of His Majesty's Ordnance of two parcels of copyhold land (described) in the manor of Weedon Beck. Signatures of David Atchison, bailiff, who has taken the surrender; of John Daniel and James Barge who presented it at a court held on 16 November 1810; of Richard and Lucy Hewitt; and of witnesses, Robert Pilkington, captain Royal Engineers, and Tho<sup>s</sup> Lepard, Clerk of Works.

l. m.

90

Draft of indenture, 1836, between the Provost and College and the London and Birmingham Railway Company of covenant for the production of title deeds specified in a schedule.

4 fs.

A. B 91

Draft of indenture, 14 May 1860, between the Provost and College of the first part, the Copyhold Commissioners of the second part, and Ralph Humphrey, of Dodford, co. Northampton, victualler, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedon Beck, of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for 130l, enfranchise and release to the said Ralph Humphrey certain tenements (specified) within the said manor. With an earlier draft of the same.

8 fs.

92

Draft of indenture, 14 May 1861, between the Provost and College of the first part, the Copyhold Commissioners of the second part, and William Rose Rose, of Wolston Heath, co. Warwick, esquire, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedonbeck of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for 350l, enfranchise and release to the said William Rose Rose certain copyhold tenements (specified) within the said manor.

6 fs.

Appointment, 5 December 1861, by the Copyhold Commissioners of Thomas Appreece Soley, of Windsor, surgeon, to take the place of John Hibbert, esquire, resigned, as one of the trustees to receive moneys to be paid for the enfranchisement of lands in the manor of Weedon Beck; the other trustee being the Rev: George John Dupuis, one of the bursars of the College.

Papered Seal of the Copyhold Commissioners.

2 fs.

A. B. 94

Draft of indenture, 25 February 1862, between the Provost and College of the first part, the Copyhold Commissioners of the second part, and John Bromwich, of Daventry, co. Northampton, butcher, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedon Beck, of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for 480l, enfranchise and release to the said John Bromwich a copyhold tenement (specified) within the said manor. With an earlier draft of the same.

8 fs.

95

Draft of indenture, 6 July 1863, between the Provost and College of the first part, the Copyhold Commissioners of the second part, and His Royal Highness Albert Edward Prince of Wales, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedonbeck, of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for 2500l, enfranchise and release to the said Prince of Wales certain copyhold tenements (specified) within the said manor.

13 fs.

Draft of indenture, 5 June 1867, between the Provost and College of the first part, the Copyhold Commissioners of the second part, and Edmund Roberts, of Weedonbeck, builder, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedonbeck, of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for 46l:11s, enfranchise and release to the said Edmund Roberts certain copyhold tenements (specified) within the said manor. With subsidiary documents.

57 fs.

Draft of indenture, 25 July 1867, between the Provost and College of the first part, the Copyhold Commissioners of the second part, and Mary Ann Mead, of Weedon, widow, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedonbeck of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for 60l, enfranchise and release to the said Mary Ann Mead a copyhold tenement (specified) within the said manor. With subsidiary documents.

21 fs.

Counterpart lease, 7 December 1888, by the Provost and College to Christopher Barge, farmer, of Manor Farm, Weedon (lands described in a schedule). From 25 March last for one year, and so on from year to year on a yearly tenancy. Rent 275l. (Printed).

Signature and Seal of lessee.

2 fs.

Counterpart lease, 7 December 1888, by the same to George Goff, of Weedon Lodge, farmer, of lands in Weedon Beck and Everdon (described in a schedule). From 25 March last for one year, and so on from year to year on a yearly tenancy. Rent 40l. (Printed).

Signature and Seal of lessee.

2 fs.

100

Indenture, 29 June 1894, between the Provost and College of one part, the Board of Agriculture of the second part, and Elizabeth Adams, widow, a copyhold tenant of the manor of Weedonbeck, of the third part, by which the Provost and College, for an annual rent charge of 3l:12s, enfranchise and release to the said Elizabeth Adams certain tenements (specified) in the said manor. Parchment.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Impressed Seal of the Board of Agriculture.

Signature and red wax Seal of Elizabeth Adams.

l. m.

101

Indenture of conveyance, 19 February 1898, by the Provost and College, for 100l, to the parish council of Weedon Beck, with the consent of the Board of Agriculture, of a plot of ground at Lower Weedon (specified, with plan) for use as a burial ground.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Signatures and red wax Seals of three members of the parish council.

l. m.

Counterpart lease, 11 August 1910, by the Provost and College to Emily Elizabeth Barge, of Hillesden, co. Bucks, widow, William James Hiron, of Brailes, co. Warwick, and Thomas Christopher Barge, of Hillesden, of Manor Farm, Weedon (described in a schedule). From 29 September next as tenants from year to year. Rent 2721.

Signatures and Seals of lessees.

Memorandum of agreement, 22 June 1915, between the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal, by John William Bliss, their clerk, and the Provost and College, by which the latter become yearly tenants of certain strips of land on the towing path and off side bank of the canal in Weedon. Rent 21. A plan.

Signature of Bliss.

1. f  
1. KINCH PLAN

Agreement, 24 July 1915, between the Provost and College and John Banner, of Lower Weedon, baker, by which the latter becomes yearly tenant of lands in Weedon (specified in a schedule). Rent 31:10s.

Signature of Banner.

1. f

1-76 105

A packet of warrants to enter satisfaction on the Court Rolls for money paid by virtue of conditional surrenders.

1817-1866  
(75 documents).



Appointment by Jonathan Davies, Provost, of William Frogatt, of Castle Street, Leicester Square, London, esquire, steward of the Courts of the manors of Bledlow, co. Bucks, Weedonbeck and Everdon, co. Northampton, and Little Tew, co. Oxford, during pleasure. 26 November 1796.

Signature of the Provost.

The Provost's Seal of office, oblong, 55mm, applied, papered. Armorial. A bad impression.

SIGILLUM PRAEPOSITI COLLEGII REGALIS ETONENSIS

2 fs.

Draft of appointment by Abraham Moore, of Lambs Buildings in the Temple, London, esquire, chief steward of the manors of Weedonbeck and Everdon, co. Northants, and Bledlow, co. Bucks, of Edward Brown, gent., Registrar of Eton College, as deputy steward of the said manors. [...] 1803.

1 f.

Receipts  
(108 - 113)

Receipt by Walter Walsh, lord of Grovesbury, from the prior of Okebourn of 10l in payment of a rent due to him for his life from the manor of Wedon. 5 November 1374.

Traces of red wax Seal on tongue.

l. m.

109

Indented bill of receipt by William Horman and Richard Wynnesmor, bursars of the College, for 8 oxen and bullocks and 63 sheep from William Wilkyn. 8 November 1520.

1 f.

110

Copy of receipt by Henry Proctor, steward, from John Billing, bailiff, of 3l:13s:4d. 2 October 1724.

1 f.

111

Receipt by Mr. Harris, chief steward, for 4l for his expenses for holding a court at Weedon. 23 October 1840.

1 f.

112

Receipt for expenses of an enfranchisement deed, with receipt from Hoare's bank for same. 1859.

2 fs.

A. B 113

Receipt from Hoare's bank for 2500l from the Rev<sup>d</sup> George Dupuis and Thomas Soley, esquire, being money for the enfranchisement of the Barracks in Weedon manor; with receipt by Dupuis and Soley from the Paymaster General for the same sum. 7 July 1863.

3 fs.

Petitions  
(114 - 119)

114

Supplication of Sir Richard Knightley, knight, to the Provost of Eton that his copyhold in Wedon, seized by the bailiff of the manor, may be restored to him. His title to lands in Wedon and Everdon is recited. ca. 1540.

1 m.

115

Supplication of John Jeffrey, a child under the age of 14 years, to the Provost against the depredations of his stepfather, Martin Harborough, upon the customary tenement of which he is heir. [16<sup>th</sup> century].

1 f.

116

Petition of Edmund Billinge to the Provost setting out his title to the lands of his late father Thomas Billinge. [1591].

1 f.

117

Bill of John Caldcott, surviving trustee of the will of the Rev<sup>d</sup> John Rawlins Deacon, to the Provost praying that as Lord and Chancellor of the manor of Weedon Beck he will order a customary recovery suffered by the said Deacon to be enrolled among the proceedings of the Court held on 3 December 1818. It had not been enrolled at the time owing to the refusal of the said Deacon to pay the fine demanded by the steward for such recovery.

2 fs.

Draft of a petition to Parliament of the Provoost and College, lords of the manor and owners of houses and lands in the manor and parish of Weedonbeck, co. Northampton, and owners of lands in the parish of St. John Hampstead, co. Middlesex, on the line of the proposed Rail Road from London to Birmingham, praying that a more eligible direction may be found for the line. The petitioners' estates in Weedonbeck have been materially injured by a former Act of Parliament for cutting the Grand Junction Canal which passes directly through Weedonbeck.

2 fs.

119

Another copy of the foregoing.

2 fs.

Writs

(120 - 122)

Writ from the Prior of Okeburne to John le Blound, his bailiff of Wedone, ordering him to levy from Henry de Bray 40 sous of his fee. 7 November 1359. [French].

l. m

[?Copy of] Writ from Nicholas Vaus, Knight, sheriff of Northampton, to Thomas Carleton, bailiff of the Duchy of Lancaster, and his deputy and Richard Alen and Thomas John, bailiffs itinerant of the King, to attach John Rolffe, late of Nether Wedon Beek, cordwainer, Richard Billyng, of the same, husbandman, and Thomas Billyng, of Over Wedon Beek, husbandman, and bring them to the castle of Northampton before the Justices of the Peace on Tuesday after Michaelmas next to find security of the peace towards all the King's people and especially towards Thomas Lesyng. 20 August 1496.

Endorsed. M<sup>r</sup> Spark I be seche you be gode master to me in my audith whan ye auditor comyth be sechyng master Provost to allow me for my comyng up when ye parson of Everdon departyd xx<sup>d</sup>. Also thys warant in your caus hit cost me ijs:iiij<sup>d</sup>. I put hit to your discreession and I be seche you take my quitys est.

Another endorsement. In grotis vjli. in pens vjli. in pens of ij pens iiijli. in gold vjli.

1 f.



Writ to Richard Waller, bailiff of Wydon, to restore to George Hopkyns his goods and chattels, stolen at Brymycham, co. Warwick, by William Sheppard, late of Weddisbury, co. Stafford, labourer, who was convicted at the Gaol Delivery held at Warwick on Friday in the third week of Lent 19 Elizabeth (1577) viz. nine pieces of gold called "old angels", one piece of gold called "an Englishe crowne", another piece of gold called "a half angell", another piece of gold called "the fourthe parte of a starre ryall", one piece [salinum a salt cellar] of silver gilt value 5s, two gold rings with precious stones value 36s:8d, six rings of silver of which four are gilt value 40s, four pairs "les tachehookes" of silver value 26s:8d, one pair of "les kepers" of silver and one button of silver called "a sylver button" value 5s, three "splintr'" (i.e. pins) of silver with gilt heads value 10s, two pipes (fistulas) of silver value 3s:4d, one le thymble of silver value 12d, six pieces of silver called "half fast grottes" value 3s:8d in cash, two and a half yards of woollen cloth called "whitt Karsey" value 6s, one shirt value 3s:4d and one piece of woollen cloth called "a partlett" value 4s.

Witness: J. Dyer, Warwick, Friday in the second (sic) week of Lent 1577.

Tongue for Seal which is missing.

l. m

Rentals, Surveys, Terriers, Valuations

(123 - 144)

		123
Rental	14 <sup>th</sup> cent.	3 <u>ms.</u>
		124
Rental of Wedon and Adneston	30 September 1365	3 <u>ms.</u>
		125
Rental	29 September 1498	1 <u>m.</u>
		126
Rental of the demesne lands with the water mill repaired	27 March 1522	2 <u>fs.</u>
		127
Wedon Beyke.		
Extent of the demesne lands, by John Colstun, Robert Lynell, bailiff, John West, farmer, Thomas Brodfild, hayward, and others	9 June 1528	2 <u>fs.</u>
		128
View or extent of the manor taken by William Dobson, Alan Woode, Robert Okham and Humphrey Michell	8 September 1551	1 <u>f.</u>
		129
Terrar or survey taken by Richard Wawe and Leonard Clifforde, farmers.		1607
		1 <u>m.</u>

	130
A copy of the foregoing.	
	1 <u>m.</u>
	131
A true Rent Roll; endorsed by Mathew Bust and George Amery, steward.	5 November 1609
	2 <u>ms.</u>
	132
Rent Roll sent from Mrs. Hobart	5 November 1609
	2 <u>fs.</u>
	133
Alterations concerning estates and rents arising at a Court Baron held 26 April 1652, upon occasion of admittances then and there granted.	
	2 <u>fs.</u>
	134
Copy of the Rent Roll	1651 - 1653
	2 <u>fs.</u>
	135
Valuation of the parish of Weedon Becke 10 September 1667	
	2 <u>fs.</u>
	136
Rent Roll	Mich. 1667 - Lady Day 1668
	8 <u>fs.</u>
	137
Rental	[1671]
	4 <u>fs.</u>

		138
Terrar, delivered by the farmer	October 1679	1 <u>m.</u>
		139
Terrar	22 September 1687	1 <u>m.</u>
		140
Terrier		1694
		1 <u>m.</u>
		141
Rental	17 <sup>th</sup> or 18 <sup>th</sup> cent.	1 <u>f.</u>
		142
Apportionment and valuation of lands taken from and given back to the Provost and College and Mr. Charles Bletsoe, their lessee, by the Grand Junction Canal Company; made by Thomas Eagle.		8 August 1798
		2 <u>fs.</u>
		143
Particulars of lands demised to Mr. Charles Bletsoe by lease of 17 June 1791; lands taken and given back by the Canal Company.		[1798]
		1 <u>f.</u>
		144
Valuation of copyholds sold to Railway Company	[1835]	2 <u>fs.</u>

Accounts  
(145 - 165)

		145
Account of Robert de Endredeby, bailiff of the prior of Okeburn in North Wedon		1290
		1 <u>m.</u>
		146
Account of John le Blund, bailiff of the prior of Okeburn in Wedon	Mich. 1358 - Mich. 1359	
		2 <u>ms.</u> , 1 schedule.
		147
Account of William Brother, farmer and collector of the issues of the court	Mich. 1447 - Mich. 1448	
		1 <u>m.</u>
		148
Wedonbek. A note of debts owing to the College there at Michaelmas		1524
		2 <u>fs.</u>
		149
Account of disbursements [by the steward] at Weedon Beck, Everdon, Tew Parva and Bledlow	26 April - 2 May 1682	
		2 <u>fs.</u>
		150
An account of Weedonbeck demesnes as rented by the tenants of Mrs. Hancock	11 October 1744	
		1 <u>f.</u>
		151
Mrs. Ann Hancock's account	22 September 1747	
		1 <u>f.</u>

152

Mr. Bletsoe's Account of Weedon Beck.

Account of Henry Harris, the bailiff. 1757

2 fs.

A. B. 153

Account of the Company of Proprietors of the Grand  
 Junction Canal with the Provost and Fellows and Mr. Bletsoe,  
 their lessee. July 1800

4 fs.

A - E 154

Rough accounts, Weedon. [     ]

8 fs.

1-13 155

Account, with particulars (inns, travelling expenses, etc.),  
 of E. Brown for holding courts at Weedon and Everdon; with fees  
 received. September 1800

20 fs.

156

Account of bailiff or deputy steward May 1814

1 f.

157

A note of fines and fees taken at Weedonbeck and  
 Everdon 9 April 1825

2 fs.

158

Rough accounts of Mr. Batchelder's expenses on business  
 connected with the London and Birmingham Railway Company. 1835

1 f.



159

Account of Messrs. Tooke & Son with the Provost and  
Fellows on attending Mr. Batchelder on matters relating to  
Weedon Bek and to Chalcots.

1836 - 7

4 fs.

160

Account of the College with the London Birmingham Railway  
Company for expenses of making deed of enfranchisement.

1837

1 f.

161

A note of the fines from the courts at Weedon and  
Bledlow, year by year.

1810 - 1840

2 fs.

162

Bills for Mr. Batchelder's expenses at the Bull Inn,  
Weedon, proprietor John Smith, and the Lion Hotel and Posting  
House, High Wycombe, proprietor Richard Westbrook.

October, November 1841

4 fs.

163

Account of expenses of an enfranchisement deed.

1861

1 f.

164

Bill from the Northampton Mercury for an advertisement

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1 f.

165

Notes of fees at Weedon manor court

19 October 1865

1 f.

**Court Documents**

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Wedon Bek,	Visus Franciplegii		13 November 1301
Atteston,		( <u>m.1</u> )	
Atneston.	"		26 April 1302
		( <u>m.2</u> )	
	"		13 November 1299
		( <u>m.3</u> )	
	"		14 April 1300
		( <u>m.4</u> )	
	Estreats		15 January 1300
		( <u>m.5</u> )	
	"		27 April 1300
		( <u>m.6</u> )	
	"		25 July 1300
		( <u>m.7</u> )	
	Visus Franciplegii		23 April 1321
		( <u>m.8</u> )	
	"		13 November 1321
		( <u>m.9</u> )	15 April 1322
	"		13 November 1322
		( <u>m.10</u> )	
	"		31 March 1323
		( <u>m.11</u> )	
	"		13 November 1323
		( <u>m.12</u> )	
	"		3 May 1324
		( <u>m.13</u> )	13 November 1324
	"		25 April 1325
		( <u>m.14</u> )	
	"		13 November 1325
		( <u>m.15</u> )	
	"		27 March 1326
		( <u>m.16</u> )	
			a roll of 16 <u>ms.</u>

Placita Curie de Wedon Beck tenta coram

Johanne de Twe

Curia domini prioris de Ockeburn

	21 November 1321
"	12 December
"	14 January 1322
"	15 February
"	8 March
"	29 March
"	19 April
"	10 May
"	8 June
"	29 June
"	20 July
"	10 August
"	31 August
"	21 September
"	18 October
"	15 November
"	6 December
"	27 December
"	17 January 1323
"	7 February
"	28 February
"	21 March
"	[16] April
"	2 May
"	23 May
"	13 June
"	4 July
Curia forinceca	18 July
Curia	25 July
"	15 August
"	26 September

Curia	17 October 1323
"	7 November
"	28 November
"	19 December
"	9 January 1324
"	30 January
"	20 February
Curia forinceca	2 March
Curia	12 March
"	2 April
"	30 April
"	21 May
"	18 June
"	9 July
"	6 August
"	3 September
"	24 September
"	18 February 1325
"	18 March
"	15 April
"	6 May
"	3 June
"	1 July
"	22 July
"	12 August
"	2 September
"	23 September
"	14 October
"	4 November
"	25 November
"	16 December
"	6 January 1326
"	27 January
"	17 February

Curia 10 March 1326  
 " 31 March  
 " 21 April  
 " 12 May  
 " 2 June  
 " 23 June  
 " 14 July  
 a roll of 10 ms.

Curia de Wedon Beek 29 November 1346  
 " 30 January 1347  
 1 m.

Curia de Wedonbeek 15 December 1347  
 " 14 February 1348  
 (m.5)  
 " 6 March 1348  
 " 27 March  
 (m.6)  
 " 17 April 1348  
 " 8 May  
 " 29 May  
 (m.7)  
 " 26 June 1348  
 " 17 July  
 (m.8)  
 " 28 August 1348  
 (ms. 9 & 10)  
 " 18 September 1348  
 (f.11)  
 " 9 October 1348  
 " 30 October  
 (m.3)

Curia de Wedonbeek		20 November 1348
"		11 December
"		8 January 1349
"		29 January
	( <u>m.2</u> )	
"		5 March 1349
	( <u>m.3</u> )	
"		26 March 1349
"		[ ] April
	( <u>m.1</u> )	
Estreats		[1349]
	( <u>m.4</u> )	
Curia		7 January 1350
	( <u>m.12</u> )	
"		13 April 1357
	( <u>m.13</u> )	
"		12 June 1357
"		23 October
	( <u>m.14</u> )	
"		4 June 1359
"		25 June
"		16 July
"		6 August
"		17 September
"		15 October
"		3 March 1360
"		24 March
"		14 April
"		5 May
"		26 May
	( <u>m.15</u> )	
"	(with note of expenses of the	15 November 1361
	steward of the Duchy of Lancaster	
	for holding his View of Frankpledge	
	on the previous Saturday)	
	( <u>m.16</u> )	

Curia		14 November 1362
"	( <u>m.19</u> )	5 December
"		12 June 1363
"		3 July
"		9 August
"		9 October
"	( <u>m.17</u> )	
"		6 February
"		27 February
"		20 March
"		[10 April]
"		22 May
"	( <u>m.18</u> )	
"		3 March 1367
"	( <u>m.22</u> )	
"		25 November 1367
"		27 September 1368
"	( <u>m.20</u> )	
"		5 July 1369
"		26 July
"		6 September
"	( <u>m.23</u> )	
"		2 July 1372
"	( <u>m.24</u> )	
"		23 June 1373
"	( <u>m.23</u> )	
"		19 July 1373
"		9 August
"	( <u>m.20</u> )	
Estreats		[Edward III]
"	( <u>m.21</u> )	
		a roll of 24 <u>ms.</u>



		170
Wedon.	Curia, Visus	7 January 1350
Chysingbury.	Curia cum Visu	1 December 1349
		1 <u>m.</u>
		171
	Visus Franciplegii de Wedon	13 November 1350
	"	21 April 1351
		1 <u>m.</u>
		172
	Visus Franciplegii de Wedon	13 November 1352
	"	28 March 1353
		1 <u>m.</u>
		173
	Visus Franci Plegii de Wedon	9 April 1360
		1 <u>m.</u>
		174
	Curia	30 October 1363
	"	20 November 1363
	"	28 October 1364
		( <u>m.1</u> )
	"	18 December 1363
		( <u>m.2</u> )
	"	18 March 1364
	"	25 July 1364
	"	24 August 1364
	"	14 September 1364
	"	[5 October] 1364
		( <u>m.3</u> )
		a roll of 3 <u>ms.</u>

	175
Visus Franci Plegii	14 November 1364
"	17 April 1365
	1 <u>m.</u>
	176
Curia Willelmi de Bryntyngam apud Wedon	3 November 1379
	1 <u>m.</u>
	177
Visus Franciplegii, Wedon, Attneston	13 November 1379
"	12 April 1380
	1 <u>m.</u>
	178
Curia Willelmi Bentyngam	20 December 1379
	1 <u>m.</u>
	179
Curia Willelmi Brentyngam	13 April 1380
"	4 May 1380
	1 <u>m.</u>
	180
Visus	13 November 1380
	1 <u>m.</u>
	181
Curia Willelmi Brantyngham, firmarii	27 July 1380
"	17 August
"	7 September
	( <u>m.8</u> )
"	28 September 1380
"	19 October
"	9 November
"	30 November
"	21 December
	( <u>m.18</u> )

Curia Willelmi Brantyngham, firmarii	11 January 1381
"	1 February
"	22 February
"	19 March
"	9 April
( <u>m.2</u> )	
"	30 April 1381
"	20 May
( <u>m.3</u> )	
"	11 June 1381
"	2 July
"	23 July
"	12 August
( <u>m.4</u> )	
"	22 September 1382
"	13 October
"	24 November
"	22 December
"	12 January 1383
"	26 January
( <u>m.9</u> )	
"	16 February 1383
"	9 March
"	30 March
"	20 April
( <u>m.8</u> )	
"	11 May 1383
"	1 June
"	22 June
"	13 July
( <u>m.7</u> )	
"	3 August 1383
"	24 August
"	[14 September]
( <u>m.6</u> )	

A panel of jurymen

[1383]

(m.10)

Curia Willelmi Brantyngham

26 October 1383

"

16 November

(m.15)

"

7 December 1383

"

28 December

"

18 January 1384

(m.14)

"

8 February 1384

"

29 February

"

21 March

"

(this membrane has a

11 April

schedule containing extracts from Court  
Rolls of 20-42 Edw.III, witnessed at  
Rushlep with the seal of the prior of  
Okebourne on 25 March 1384. Of the red  
wax Seal, pointed oval, 53mm, which was  
applied to the parchment, only a trace  
remains)

(ms. 12 and 13)

"

(John Barton, bailiff)

2 May 1384

"

23 May

"

13 June

"

4 July

"

25 July

"

15 August

(m.11)

"

28 December 1388

(m.16)

a roll of 16 ms.

182

Curia Willelmi de Brantyngham 10 September 1381  
 " 24 September 1381  
 1 m.

183

Visus Franci Plegii 13 November 1384  
 " 6 April 1385  
 1 m.

184

Curia Willelmi de Brantingham 4 March 1389  
 " 28 July 1389  
 " 3 December 1389  
 1 m.

185

Visus Franciplegii 1 April 1390  
 1 m.

186

Surrender by Richard Mile, chaplain, into the hands of the lord, for the use of Elizabeth, Emma and Agnes, daughters of John Frensche, of a cottage lying in Upper Wedon between John Hardyng and John Godfrey. [14<sup>th</sup> cent.]  
 1 m.

187

Visus Franciplegii 13 October 1391  
 " 2 May 1392  
 1 m.

188

Curia 23 September 1483  
 1 f.

189

Curia magistri Henrici Bost, prepositi      9 February 1490

"      30 March 1490

1 f.

190

Visus Franci Plegii domini regis Ducatus sui Lancastrie

13 November 1490

1 f.

191

Curia      18 December 1492

"      8 January 1493

"      30 April 1493

"      11 June 1493

1 f.

192

Curia      22 February 1493

"      19 March 1493

1 f.

193

Curia      27 October 1496

1 f.

194

Visus Franciplegii Ducatus Lancastrie et Honoris  
Leicestrie coram deputato domini le Hastynges, militis,  
feodarii et senescalli      13 November 1512

1 f.

194<sup>A</sup>

"      31 March 1513

1 f.

		194 <sup>B</sup>
Curia	12 October	1516
		1 <u>f.</u>
		195
Visus Franci Plegii Honoris Lancastrie	15 November	1519
		1 <u>f.</u>
		196
Curia	8 April	1521
		1 <u>f.</u>
		197
Curia	1 October	1522
		1 <u>f.</u>
		198
Visus Franci Plegii cum curia domini regis Ducatus sui Lancastrie ac Honoris Leicestrie	14 April	1524
		1 <u>f.</u>
		199
Visus Franci Plegii cum curia domini regis Ducatus sui Lancastrie ac Honoris Leicestrie	14 November	1525
		1 <u>f.</u>
		200
Curia	12 January	1526
		2 <u>fs.</u>
		201
Visus Franci Plegii cum curia domini regis Ducatus sui Lancastrie ac Honoris Leicestrie	12 April	1526
		1 <u>f.</u>

		202
Curia	7 June 1526	1 <u>f.</u>
		203
Visus Franci Plegii cum curia domini regis Ducatus sui Lancastrie ac Honoris Leicestrie	13 November 1526	1 <u>f.</u>
		204
Visus Franci Plegii cum curia Ducatus Lancastrie ac Honoris Leicestrie	9 May 1527	1 <u>f.</u>
		205
Curia Rogeri Lupton, prepositi	21 September 1528	1 <u>f.</u>
		206
Visus Franci Plegii cum curia domini regis Ducatus Lancastrie ac Honoris Leycestris	13 November 1528	1 <u>f.</u>
		207
Visus Franci Plegii Ducatus Lancastrie ac Honoris Laycestris	5 May 1530	1 <u>f.</u>
		208
Curia Rogeri Lupton, prepositi	10 April 1532	1 <u>f.</u>
		209
Wedonbecke, Adeston. Estreats	18 April 1532	1 <u>f.</u>



	210
Estreats at a view of Frankpledge with Court of the Duchy of Lancaster	1 November 1532 1 <u>f.</u>
	211
Curia Rogeri Lupton, prepositi	12 January 1534 1 <u>f.</u>
	212
Curia Rogeri Lupton, prepositi	19 October 1535 1 <u>f.</u>
	213
Ad curiam Rogeri Lupton, prepositi	4 May 1536 1 <u>f.</u>
	214
Ad curiam Rogeri Lupton, prepositi	28 May 1537 1 <u>f.</u>
	215
Presentments, rough list of suitors	temp. Henry VIII 2 <u>fs.</u>
	216
Curia Roberti Aldrydge, prepositi	16 April 1540 1 <u>f.</u>
	217
Curia domini Roberti Alderige, prepositi	24 October 1543 2 <u>fs.</u>
	218
Curia domini Roberti Alderige, prepositi	21 April 1545 2 <u>fs.</u>

219  
 Curia 1545-6  
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220  
 Estreats. Court Baron 25 January 1546  
 1 m.

221  
 Curia domini Roberti Alderige, prepositi 4 August 1547  
 2 ms.

222  
 Curia domini Roberti Alderige, prepositi 4 August 1547  
 3 fs. <sup>2 ms</sup>

223  
 Ad curiam Roberti Aldridge 4 August 1547  
 1 m. <sup>2 fs</sup>

224  
 Estreats 23 September 1547  
 2 fs.

225  
 Curia Baronis Thome Smyth, armigeri, prepositi  
 23 October 1548  
 2 fs.

226  
 Curia Baronis Thome Smyth, armigeri, prepositi  
 6 December 1548  
 1 f.

	227
Curia Baronis	6 December 1549
	2 <u>fs.</u>
	228
Curia Baronis Thome Smyth, militis, prepositi	29 August 1550
	1 <u>f.</u>
	229
Curia Baronis Thome Smyth, militis, prepositi, tempore Willelmi Dobson, unius bursariorum, et Roberti Okhame, senescalli	15 June 1551
Curia Baronis Thome Smyth, militis, prepositi	8 September 1551
	3 <u>fs.</u>
	230
Curia Baronis Thome Smyth, militis, prepositi	21 April 1552
	2 <u>fs.</u>
	231
Curia Baronis Henrici Cole, prepositi, coram magistro Nicholas Smyth, bursario, et Georgio Nicolles, generoso, senescallo	8 April 1557
"	5 June 1559
	2 <u>ms.</u>

## Weedon Beake

Curia Generalis coram Carolo Fytzwater,  
vicepreposito, et Nicholao Smyth, bursario,  
et Thoma Hunt deputato Georgii Nicolls,  
armigeri, senescalli 17 June 1561

(ms.28, 29)

Curia Baronis coram magistro Georgio  
Atkinson, bursario, et Ricardo Temple,  
senescallo 30 June 1562

(m.27)

Curia Baronis coram (Willelmo Daye)  
preposito, et magistro Thoma Noke, bursario,  
et Ricardo Temple, deputato Georgii Nicolls,  
armigeri, senescalli 7 April 1563

(m.26)

Curia Baronis coram preposito et magistro  
Edwardo Barrat, bursario, et Ricardo Temple,  
deputato Georgii Nicolls, armigeri,  
senescalli 16 April 1565

(m.25)

Curia Baronis coram Thoma Smith, bursario  
et in artibus magistro, socio Collegii et  
Ricardo Temple, deputato Georgii Nicolls,  
armigeri, senescalli 17 October 1566

(m.24)

Curia Baronis coram Johanne Wolwarde,  
bursario et in artibus magistro, socio  
Collegii, et Ricardo Tredwey, senescallo  
23 February 1573

(ms.21-23)

Curia Baronis 21 January 1574

(m.17)

Curia Baronis coram Johanne Barker, bursario,  
et Ricardo Tredwey, generoso 30 July 1574

(ms.18, 19)

Curia Baronis coram Roberto Bysshoppe,  
 deputato Richardi Tredwey, generosi,  
 senescalli 21 October 1574

(m.20)

Curia Baronis coram Ricardo Tredwey,  
 generoso, senescallo 31 May 1577

(ms.15, 16)

Curia Baronia coram Matheo Bust,  
 bursario, et Ricardo Tredwey, generoso,  
 senescallo 22 September 1580

(ms.10-14)

Curia Baronis coram (Willelmo Daie)  
 preposito, Matheo Bust, bursario, et  
 Ricardo Tredwey, generoso, senescallo  
 6 September 1582

(ms.8, 9)

Curia Baronis coram Matheo Buste,  
 bursario, et Ricardo Tredwey, generoso,  
 senescallo 13 July 1586

(ms.5-7)

Curia Baronis coram Matheo Salter de  
 Daventre, com. Northant., generoso,  
 senescallo (deputato) 25 October 1588

(m.4)

Curia Baronis coram Ricardo Tredwey,  
 armigero, senescallo 15 September 1589

(ms.3, 4)

Curia Baronis coram (Willelmo Daye)  
 preposito, Johanne Chambers, bursario,  
 et Ricardo Tredwey, armigero,  
 senescallo 30 June 1592

(ms.1, 2)

a roll of 29 ms.

		233
Visus Franci Plegii	13 November 1566	
		1 <u>f.</u>
		234
A bundle of Estreats, lists of jurors and other manorial fragments		16 <sup>th</sup> cent.
		18 <u>fs.</u>
		235
Curia Baronis Willelmi Day, prepositi	20 January 1574	
		1 <u>f.</u>
		236
Curia Baronis Willelmi Daye, prepositi, coram Johanne Barker, bursario, et Ricardo Tredwey, generoso, senescallo	30 July 1574	
		4 <u>fs.</u>
		237
Curia Baronis Willelmi Daye, prepositi, coram Roberto Bysshoppe, deputato [Ricardi] Tredwey, generosi, senescalli	21 October 1574	
		1 <u>m.</u>
		238
Curia Baronis Willelmi Daye, prepositi	26 October 1574	
		1 <u>f.</u>
		239
Visus Franci Plegii	13 November 1574	
		1 <u>f.</u>
		240
Visus Franci Plegii	21 April 1575	
		1 <u>f.</u>

	241
Visus Franci Plegii	10 May 1576
	1 <u>f.</u>
	242
Visus Franci Plegii	13 November 1576
	1 <u>f.</u>
	243
A file of eight surrenders	<u>f s.</u> 1576
	244
Visus Franci Plegii	25 April 1577
	1 <u>f.</u>
	245
Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis Willelmi Daie, prepositi, coram prefato preposito et Johanne Barker, bursario, et Ricardo Tredwey, senescallo	31 May 1577 1 <u>f.</u> <del>7</del> <u>fs.</u>
	246
Estreats	31 May 1577 7 <del>2</del> <u>fs.</u>
	1-54 247
A bundle of surrenders	29 September 1577 - 10 April 1592
	54 <u>fs.</u>
	248
A file of five surrenders	18 October 1581 - 28 May 1582, endorsed as presented at a Court Baron in 1582.
	5 <u>fs.</u> , pinned together.

249

Curia Baronis Willelmi Daye, prepositi,  
coram prefato Willelmo Day et Matheo Bust

6 September 1582

8 fs.

250

Orders agreed upon at a court

7 September 1582

2 fs.

251

A file consisting of:

Curia Baronis Willelmi Day, prepositi 12 July 1586

Presentments, lists of jurors

14 Surrenders 1582 - 1586

28 fs.

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Curia Baronis Willelmi Daye, prepositi,  
coram Matheo Salter de Daventre, co.

Northampton, generoso, senescallo

25 October 1588

9 fs.

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Curia Baronis Willelmi Day, prepositi,  
coram Ricardo Tredwey, armigero, senescallo

15 September 1589

A surrender

28 December 1591

Curia Baronis Willelmi Day, prepositi,  
coram Johanne Chambers, bursario, et

Ricardo Tredwey, armigero, senescallo

30 June 1592

Court memoranda, undated.

[ ]

9 fs., pinned together.



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2 3 fs.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of Margaret Doughtie to a strip called an half acre lying in a furlong called Twynne Groves abutting on a strip of Edward Lynell on the north, another strip in a furlong called le Deane abutting on Deyntrie Way, another strip lying in a furlong called Langedan abutting on a furlong called Waterfurlonge, and a road lying on le Bretteche abutting on le Coppe, and common for seven sheep in the common fields of Wedon. Thomas Gare outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of Thomas Ringrosse and his heirs. After the surrender the said Ringrosse died, and the said Margaret, now the wife of Thomas Doughtie, gent., daughter of Anne Lancaster, deceased, daughter of the said Ringrosse, is next heir. Margaret Gare, wife of the said Thomas Gare has surrendered all her interest in the premises.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of John Jackson, his executors and administrators, to a parlor between the hall and the kitchen of the mansion house of John Gare, and the kitchen next adjoining the door there and a stable containing two bayes and more adjoining the hall aforesaid and the house of Francis Billinge and a piece of a bay on the south side of the gatehouse adjoining the said stable, a piece of land containing 14 feet in breadth and 18 feet in length on the south side of the nethercourt between the gatehouse and an ashe tree growing on that side towards the backe gate and all the land on the north side of

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the nethercourt between the backgate and the gate house as it is now enclosed with a mound leading to the carte way, a stable containing two bays leading to the gatehouse on the north towards the house of Robert Judkins, and entry and exit to and from the mansion house by the strete stable and free use of the well in the court. John Gare outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the premises into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, in the presence of John Billinge, Francis Billinge and Henry Judkins, customary tenants, for the use of the said Jackson. From Michaelmas 1587 for 10 years. Rent 2s to John Gare.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of Roger Cowper and Margaret, his wife, to a cottage in Nether Wedon, now in the tenure of the said Roger. Edward Lynell outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of the said Roger and Margaret for their lives in survivorship. Rent a peppercorn for the next five years and thereafter 10s to Edward Lynell and the customary services to the lord.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of Thomas Doughtie, gent., to a cottage with a backside an orchard and a garden in Lower Wedon now in the tenure of Richard Scovye. Edward Gare outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of the said Thomas. Alice Gare, wife of the said Edward, surrenders all her interest in the premises.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of Edward Goodman, son and heir of John Goodman who has died since the last court, to a cottage in Nether Wedon in the tenure of William Wayle.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of Richard Martin to a cottage in Nether Wedon, now in his tenure, from Michaelmas last for 6 years. Edward Lynell outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of the said Martin. Rent a peppercorn to Edward Lynell and the customary services to the lord.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 September 1589 of Margaret Doughtie to a parcel of waste lying on the street before the hall of the house of Thomas Ringrosse in Overwedon in which Leonard Clifford now or lately lived, containing 7 feet in length and 16 feet in breadth and a parcel of waste lying in Lower Wedon between the tenement of Henry Billinge on the east and the tenement of Edward Fisher on the west being 17 perches in length and in breadth, at the upper end 2 perches and at the lower end 15 feet. Thomas Ringrosse died since the last court. Margaret Doughtie, daughter of Anne Lancaster, deceased, daughter of the said Thomas, is next heir.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 30 June 1592 of William Reynolds to a virgate of meadow in "le west medowe" and "le east medowe", now in the tenure of Thomas Carswell and John Keble, which are surrendered by the said Thomas and Helen his wife for the use of the said William.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 30 June 1592 of John Billinge, junior, to a rood of land lying in Brerrefurlonge and a butt lying in a furlong called le Deane, now in the tenure of John Billinge, senior. John Gare, outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of the said John Billinge, junior.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 30 June 1592 of William Reynolds to two half acres lying in a furlong called Longe Doddecrofte between the land of John Cleyveley on one side and the land of Margaret Ringrosse now wife of Edward Fieldinge, gent., on the other side. Thomas Clifford outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of the said William.

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 30 June 1592 of William Reynolds to a butt of land containing half an acre lying in a furlong on the north side of Riggles way abutting on Broadefurlonge and another butt on the west side of Riggles way adjacent to a butt of Francis Billinge. John Gare outside the court, after the last court, had surrendered the same into the hands of Richard Wawe, bailiff, for the use of the said William.

1 m.

A book of Courts held from 27 April 1593 to 23 August 1605, Thomas Thornton, esquire, steward.

48 fs., in parchment cover.

Curia Baronis coram Georgio Amery, senescallo	8 May 1606
" "	4 April 1608
" "	4 May 1608
" "	1 June 1608
" "	4 May 1609
" "	16 November 1609
" , per Robertum Wawe, generosum,	
senescallum	12 October 1610
" "	18 January 1611
" "	11 April 1611
" "	9 May 1611
" "	11 July 1611

Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, per Jacobum Whitelocke, armigerum, senescallum, presentibus Henrico Savile, preposito, Thomas Weaver, vice-preposito, et Thoma Allin, bursario

12 August 1615

Curia Baronis, coram Jacobo Whitelocke, armigero,  
senescallo, presenti Thoma Savile, bursario

15 August 1617

Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, per  
Ricardum Oakeley, generosum, deputatum  
Jacobi Whitlock, servientis ad legem, generalis  
senescalli, presentibus Daniele Colins, vice-  
preposito, et Carolo Croke, bursario

16 October 1620

a roll of 16 ms.

Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, per  
Ricardum Oakeley, generosum, deputatum  
Jacobi Whitelocke, armigeri, generalis  
senescalli, presentibus Thoma Weaver, vice-  
preposito, ac Daniele Colins, bursario

20 April 1619

" , per Johannem Harison,  
senescallum, presentibus Daniele Collins,  
vice-preposito, et Ricardo Bateman, bursario

6 October 1621

3 ms.

Visus Franciplegii cum Curia Baronis, per  
Johannem Harison, armigerum, senescallum,  
presentibus seipso preposito (Wotton) et  
Johanne Hales, bursario

28 August 1626

" , " , presentibus Daniele  
Collins, vice-preposito, et Thoma Wever,  
socio

10 September 1629

" , " , presentibus Thoma Wever,  
socio, et Johanne Hales, bursario

17 September 1632

" , " , presentibus Daniele Collins,  
vice-preposito, et Ricardo Bateman, bursario

8 July 1636

" , " , " 25 September 1638

11 ms. <sup>m.c.</sup>

Visus Franciplegii cum Curia Baronis, per  
Johannem Harison, armigerum, senescallum

18 September 1662

" , per " , presentibus  
Nathaniele Ingeloe, bursario, et Nicholao  
Cordell, socio

17 September 1663

" , per " , presentibus  
Nicholao Cordell, Vice-preposito, et  
Nathaniele Ingeloe, bursario

17 April 1665

" , per " , presente  
Nathaniele Ingeloe, Vice-preposito

6 September 1666

" , per " , presentibus  
Nathaniele Ingeloe, Vice-preposito, et  
Nicholao Cordell, bursario

17 September 1667

" , per " , presentibus  
Nathaniele Ingeloe, et Johanne Hever,  
bursariis

27 September 1669

" , per " , presentibus  
Nathaniele Ingeloe et Henrico Bold,  
bursariis

30 September 1671

" , per Jacobum Harison  
generosum, deputatum Johannis Harison  
(patris), senescalli, presente Henrico  
Bold, bursario

19 September 1672

" , per " , presentibus  
Nathaniele Ingeloe et Henrico Bold, bursariis

29 March 1673

Curia Custumaria et Baronis per " ,  
presentibus Nathaniele Ingeloe, Vice-preposito,  
et Philippo Fell, bursario

9 May 1674

a roll of 13 ms.

Claim of Roger Ringrose, of Wallgrave, co. Northants,  
to certain lands and tenements in Over and Nether  
Weedon

5 April 1650

1 f.

Court Baron, John Looker, gent., deputy of  
Rowland Jewkes, esquire, steward 8 December 1652

Viewe of Frankpledge with Court Baron, in the  
presence of Joseph Simondes, Vice-Provost, and  
John Bachiler, one of the fellows, John Looker,  
gent., deputy of Rowland Jewkes, esquire, steward

26 April 1652

" , in the presence of Richard  
Penwarne and Nathaniel Ingelo, bursars, John Looker,  
gent., deputy of Rowland Jewkes, esquire, steward

19 September 1655

" , in the presence of Joseph Symondes,  
Vice-Provost, and Nicholas Lockier, one of the fellows,  
... Brice, gent., deputy of Rowland Jewkes, esquire,  
steward

[...] 1656

" , in the presence of John Oxenbridge,  
Vice-Provost, and Nathaniel Ingilo, bursar, John  
Collins, esquire, steward

16 September 1657

" , John Collins, esquire,  
steward

20 October 1659

a roll of 17 ms.



View of Franck Pledge with Court Baron, by John  
 Cooke, gent., [deputy of Rowland] Jewkes, esquire,  
 steward, in the presence of [.....] and Nathaniel  
 Ingelo, bursar

19 September 1655

" , by .... Brice, gent., deputy  
 of the same, in the presence of Joseph Simonds,  
 Vice-Provost, and Nicholas Loc[kier], one of the  
 fellows

[...] 1656

1 m. (imperfect).

Note of admissions

1659 - 1708

2 fs.

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Estreats

29 September 1671

1 f.

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Appointment by Hanna Harris, of Upton, co. Northampton, spinster, of John Breton, of Upton, gentleman, as her attorney to enter into a half yard land within the manor of Weedon, bequeathed to her by John Smith, deceased, late of Norton, co. Northampton, gentleman. Mark of Hanna. Witnesses. 9 May 1674

Papered Seal.

2 fs.

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Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, per Johannem Willis, generosum, senescallum, presentibus Nathaniele Ingelo, Vice-preposito, et Zacharia Cradock, bursario 29 September 1675  
 " , coram Willelmo Peisly, armigero, senescallo, presentibus Nathaniele Ingelo, bursario, et Henrico Godolphin, uno e sociis  
 10 October 1677  
 a roll of 11 ms.

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Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis per Johannem Willis, generosum, senescallum, presentibus Nathaniele Ingelo, Vice-preposito, et Zacharia Cradock, bursario.  
 With presentments and note of surrenders since the last court, and a later copy of an admission 29 September 1675  
 9 fs.

	279
The presentment of the homage	1675
	1 <u>f.</u>
	280
Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, coram	
William Peisley, armigero, senescallo, presente	
Nathanieli Ingeloe, Vice-preposito	8 October 1679
" , coram " , presentibus Philipo	
Fell et Henrico Godolphin, sociis	26 April 1682
" , coram "	13 September 1682
" , coram " , presente Thoma	
Horne, uno e sociis	10 April 1684
" , coram "	27 April 1685
" , coram " , presente Thoma	
Richardson, uno sociorum	7 April 1686
" , coram "	6 April 1687
" , coram " , presente Thoma	
Richardson, uno sociorum	19 April 1688
	a roll of 14 <u>ms.</u>
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Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, coram	
Willelmo Peisley, armigero, senescallo,	
presenti Thoma Richardson, uno e sociis	16 October 1689
" , coram "	20 April 1691
" , coram " , presenti Stephano	
Upman, uno e sociis	31 March 1692
" , coram " , presenti magistro	
Roberto Young, uno e sociis	4 October 1694
" , coram " , presenti "	23 April 1696
" , coram "	15 April 1697
" , coram " , presentibus	
Stephano Upman, bursario, et Roberto Young,	
uno e sociis	6 October 1698

Visus Franci Flegii cum Curia Baronis, coram Willelmo Peisley, armigero, senescallo, presentibus Johanne Hawtrey, bursario, et Roberto Young, uno e sociis

5 October 1699

" , coram " , presenti Roberto Young, uno e sociis

3 October 1700

" , coram " , Presenti Johanne Hawtrey, bursario

7 October 1703

" , coram " , presentibus Johanne Hawtrey, bursario, et Roberto Young, uno e sociis

25 April 1706

" , coram " , 25 April 1708

" , coram " 5 May 1709

a roll of 21 ms.

Book of Courts, from Court Baron 20 April 1691 to Court Baron 28 May 1776.

88 fs., vellum cover.

Admission at a court held on 5 October 1699 before William Peisley, esq., steward, present John Hawtrey, bursar, and Robert Young, one of the Fellows, of William Payne, of Northampton, dyer, to half a virgate of arable in the three fields of Weedonbeck and a sixth part of four virgates of meadow, which John Smith had surrendered by the hands of John Billing, bailiff, for the use of the said William, for a rent of 3d.

1 m.

Curia Baronis, coram Willelmo Peisley, armigero, senescallo

17 July 1712

a roll of 2 ms.

Admission at a court held on 6 October 1698 of Jonathan Smith to a tenement and the fourth part of a virgate, for a rent of 2s:2d. He is the son and next heir of Abigail Smith, a customary tenant who has died since the last court.

[See 285 f. 22]

Admission at a court held on 15 October [1712] of Thomas Cleevly, junior, of Weedon Beck, to a single arable land in field towards Stowe on the furlong called Heirhills, two roods of Thomas Judkins lying on the west, a land of Samuel Allin on the east and abutting on Bettwy hedges on the north, now in the possession of Dorothy Gare. The said Dorothy Gare, widow, a customary [nativa] tenant of the manor, outside the court, after the court held on 26 July 1711, surrendered the same by the hands of John Billing, bailiff, for the use of the said Thomas, for a rent of 3d.

[See 285 f.1]

1 m.

Admission at a court held on 15 October [1712] of Joseph Embrey, of Weedonbeck, baker, to a moiety of a virgate of arable land with all grass lands belonging to the same, also the pasture of one cow and six sheep and pastures, hedges, trees, baulks and headlands [haddon] in the common fields of Weedon Beck now in the tenure or occupation of William Maulte. Elizabeth Harris, a customary [nativa] tenant of the manor, outside the court, after the last court held on 26 July 1712, surrendered the same by the hands of Thomas Tildesley and Nathaniel Parker, two customary tenants, for the use of the said Joseph, for a rent of 9d.

[See 285 f.2]

1 m.

## File containing:-

- Minutes of Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia  
Baronis, coram Willelmo Peisley,  
armigero, senescallo 15 October 1713  
(fs. 3-8, 10, 11)
- A warrant from the steward to the  
bailiff to summon the court 25 September 1713  
(fs. 14, 15)
- 3 admissions (described under their dates)  
(fs. 1, 2, 22)
- 10 surrenders  
(fs. 20, 21, 23-35)
- Memoranda, Thomas Hayward, foreman of the homage  
(fs. 9, 12, 13)
- List of suitors  
(fs. 16-19)

- Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis, coram  
Willelmo Peisley, armigero, senescallo, presenti  
Ricardo Sleech, bursario 12 April 1716  
a roll of 3 ms. and a paper schedule.

## File containing:-

- Minutes of Visus Franciplegii cum Curia  
Baronis coram Willelmo Peisley, armigero,  
senescallo, presenti Ricardo Sleech,  
bursario. Weedon Beck. 12 April 1716  
(fs. 1-10)
- " Everden. 13 April 1716  
(fs. 11-21)
- A warrant from the steward, W. Peisley, to  
John Billing, the bailiff of Weedon Beck,  
to summon the court 13 March 1716  
(fs. 22-3)

14 surrenders, allowed by the homage,  
Thomas Hayward, foreman

(fs. 24-49)

Deputation from the steward to make out a  
copy

(fs. 50-1)

Presentments, memoranda, roll of suitors

(fs. 52-58)

File containing:-

A warrant from the steward, Henry Proctor,  
to John Billing, the bailiff of Weedon Beck,  
to summon the court 26 September 1717

( f.15)

Minutes of Visus Franciplegii cum Curia  
Baronis coram Henrico Proctor, armigero,  
senescallo, presenti Ricardo Sleech,

uno e sociis. Weedonbeck. 16 October 1717

" Everdon. 17 October 1717

(fs. 26-37)

Presentments 16 October 1717

10 surrenders, allowed by the homage,  
Thomas Hayward, foreman

(fs. 1-14, 16-21)

Roll of suitors

(fs. 22-25)

A book of Courts from Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia  
Baronis 16 October 1717 to Curia Baronis 20 August 1730.  
Henry Proctor, esquire, steward.  
76 large parchment pages, with two paper pages of index,  
within parchment cover.

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Minutes of Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis  
 coram Henrico Proctor, armigero, senescallo,  
 presenti Ricardo Sleech uno e sociis Collegii,  
 17 April 1719  
 with presentments, a surrender, memoranda, etc.

16 fs.

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## File containing:-

A warrant from the steward, Henry Proctor, to  
 the bailiff to summon the court 21 March 1718-19  
 (f. 18)

8 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
 Thomas Hayward, foreman 17 April 1719  
 (fs. 1-16)

Memoranda, presentments, list of suitors  
 (fs. 17, 19-25)

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Memoranda of surrenders 1719-1723  
 2 fs.

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## Packet containing:-

Curia Baronis coram Henrico Proctor,  
 armigero, senescallo, presente Ricardo  
 Sleech uno e sociis Collegii 20 September 1720  
 (fs. 1-8)

Presentments  
 (fs. 9, 10)

7 surrenders, allowed by the homage,  
 Thomas Hayward, foreman  
 (fs. 11-24)

Roll of suitors  
 (fs. 25-28)



## File containing:-

Warrant from the steward, Henry Proctor, for  
the holding of a special court for the  
admission of Thomas Gare 7 June 1722

(f. 1)

Minutes of the special court, John  
Billing, bailiff, deputy steward 9 June 1722

(fs. 2-4)

Warrant from the steward to the bailiff  
to summon the court 16 August 1722

(f. 36)

Minutes etc. of Curia Baronis coram  
Henrico Proctor, armigero, senescallo,  
presenti Thoma Carter, uno e sociis  
20 September 1722

(fs. 5-11, 13-29)

List of homage

(f. 12)

9 surrenders, allowed by the homage,  
Henry Welch, foreman

(fs. 32-35, 38-51)

Presentments, notes

(fs. 30, 31, 37)

Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis coram  
Henrico Proctor, armigero, senescallo, presente  
Ricardo Sleech, uno e sociis Collegii 1 October 1724

10 fs.

## File containing:-

A warrant from the steward, Henry Proctor,  
to the bailiff of Weedon Beck, to summon  
the court 24 September 1724

(f. 40, torn)

20 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
Henry Welch, foreman 1 October 1724

(fs. 1-39)

Roll of suitors 1 October 1724

(fs. 41-44)

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Presentments 1 October 1724

2 fs.

A. B. C. 298

Visus Franci Plegii cum Curia Baronis coram  
Henrico Proctor, armigero, senescallo, presente  
Thoma Carter, uno e sociis Collegii 18 October 1726

6 fs.

299

## File containing:-

A warrant from the steward, Henry Proctor,  
to John Billing, the bailiff of Weedon Beck,  
to summon the court 27 September 1726

(f. 21)

Roll of suitors 18 October 1726

(fs. 22-25)

10 surrenders allowed by the homage,  
Thomas Worall, foreman

(fs. 1-20)

A. B. C. 300

A surrender of 2 September 1727, allowed by  
 the homage jury, Thomas Worall, foreman, with  
 a note of a deputation to admit and the names  
 of the homage at the admittance 13 November 1727  
 5 fs.

A. C. 301

Curia Baronis coram Henrico Proctor, armigero,  
 senescallo 19 September 1728  
 14 fs.

302

## File containing:-

Letter from the steward, Henry Proctor, to  
 the bailiff, John Billing, to summon the court  
 (f. 50)

26 surrenders allowed by the homage jury,  
 Henry Welch, foreman 19 September 1728  
 (ms. and fs. 1-49, 54)

Roll of suitors  
 (fs. 51-53)

A. B. C. 303

Curia Baronis specialis coram Johanne Billing  
 deputato seneschallo Henrici Proctor,  
 seneschalli 28 August 1729  
 Visus Franciplegii 24 September 1729  
 6 fs.

304

Surrender allowed by the homage jury 1 September 1729  
 1 f.

File containing:-

Minutes of Visus Franciplegii cum Curia  
 Baronis coram Henrico Proctor, armigero,  
 senescallo 25 September 1729

(fs. 1, 2)

18 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
 Henry Welch, foreman

(fs. 3-14, 16-37)

Appointment of attorney to receive admission

(f. 15)

Roll of suitors

(fs. 39-42)

Estreats 26 September 1729

2 fs.

File containing:-

Minutes of Curia Baronis, coram Henrico  
 Proctor, armigero, senescallo, presente  
 Thoma Evans uno e sociis Collegii 20 August 1730

(fs. 4, 5)

14 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
 Henry Welsh, foreman

(fs. 1, 2, 6, 7, 12, 13, 16-37)

An appointment of attorney

(fs. 14, 15)

Lists of jurors and memoranda

(fs. 3, 8-11, 38-43)

## File containing:-

- Appointment by Henry Proctor, steward, of  
Thomas Hiccock, gent., as his deputy to  
hold a special Court Baron 19 December 1732  
(f. 4)
- Minutes of special Court Baron 20 February 1733  
(f. 3)
- Minutes of view of Franck Pledge with  
Court Baron, before Henry Proctor, esquire,  
steward, present William Berryman, Doctor  
of Divinity 3 October 1733  
(fs. 21-23)
- Presentments  
(fs. 14-20)
- Steward's Memoranda  
(fs. 32, 33)
- 19 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
Henry Welch, foreman 3 October 1733  
(fs. 1, 2, 5-13, 24-31, 34-51)

- Curia Baronis specialis, coram Thoma Hiccock,  
generoso, deputato Henrici Proctor, armigeri,  
senescalli 20 February 1733
- View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron, before  
Henry Proctor, esquire, steward, there present  
William Berryman, one of the fellows 3 October 1733
- Special Court Baron, before Henry Harris, deputy  
of Henry Proctor, esquire, steward 5 December 1733
- View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron, before  
George Proctor, esquire, steward, Stephen Sleech,  
clerk, one of the fellows, being present 12 October 1736
- Special Court Baron, before Henry Harris, deputy  
of George Proctor, esquire, steward 8 December 1736
- " , before " 15 November 1738

Special Court Baron, before Henry Harris, deputy  
of George Proctor, esquire, steward 16 May 1740

" before " 30 May 1740

Court Baron, before George Proctor, esquire,  
steward, Stephen Sleech, clerk, one of the  
fellows, being present 16 September 1740

Special Court Baron, before James Calcutt, gent.,  
deputy of George Proctor, esquire, steward 11 July 1743

View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron, before  
George Proctor, esquire, steward, Stephen Sleech,  
clerk, being present 12 October 1743

View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron, before  
George Proctor, esquire, steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr.  
Sleech, Provost, and the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Burton, one of  
the fellows, being present 14 October 1746

Special Court Baron, before John Parsons, of  
Daventry, gent., deputy of George Proctor,  
esquire, steward 29 June 1747

" , befor Henry Harris, deputy of  
the same 11 January 1748

" , before Richard Leeke, gent.,  
deputy of the same 30 May 1748

View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron, before  
George Proctor, esquire. steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr.  
Sleech, Provost, and John Burton, clerk, one of  
the fellows, being present 11 October 1749

a roll of 35 ms.

## File containing:-

Minutes of View of Frankpledge with Court  
 Baron, before Henry Proctor, esquire,  
 steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Stephen Slesch, a  
 fellow, present 12 October 1736

(fs. 7-10)

Presentments, powers of attorney, memoranda

(fs. 11, 15, 16)

Surrenders, mostly endorsed as allowed by  
 the homage, Henry Welch, foreman, on 12 October 1736

(fs. 1-6, 13, 17-38)

Copy of the Will of Richard Gudgin, of  
 Nether Wedon, shoemaker 5 January 1735

(f. 14)

Certificate by Joseph Are, son and heir of John Are,  
 lately deceased, that John Adams shall be admitted his  
 guardian to a copyhold estate in the manor of  
 Weedonbeck.

Signatures of Are and a witness 4 December 1736

1 f.

Surrender, allowed by the homage jury, John  
 Billing, foreman 15 November 1738

2 fs.

Surrender 18 March 1740

2 fs.

## File containing:-

Minutes of a Court Baron, before George  
Proctor, esquire, steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Stephen  
Sleech, one of the fellows, present 16 September 1740

(fs. 1, 2)

20 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
Richard Judkins, foreman 16 September 1740

(fs. 8-12, 15-48)

Appointment of attorney to receive admission

(fs. 49, 50)

Certificate of payment of money for a surrender

(fs. 13, 14)

Notes of admissions and of copies to be delivered  
at courts at Weedon Beck, Everdon and Bledlow

(fs. 3-7)

1-5 315

Four surrenders and an admittance, James Calcutt,  
gentleman, deputy steward for George Proctor,  
esquire, steward 11 July 1743

1-37 316

34 Orders to admit; and a presentment,  
William Folwell, foreman mid. 18<sup>th</sup> cent.

35 fs.

1-28 317

Presentments by the Leet and directions to  
admit 12 October 1743

28 fs.

318

18 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
Henry Welch, foreman 12 October 1743



319

List of the Homage jury, William Welch, foreman,  
 and the Leet jury, Samuel Muscott, foreman [17..]  
 1 f.

1-45

320

Packet containing:-

Minutes of Court of View of Frank Pledge with  
 Court Baron, before George Proctor, esquire,  
 steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Sleech, provost, and the  
 Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Burton, one of the fellows, being  
 present 14 October 1746

(fs. 1, 2)

Presentments

(f. 3)

Various notes

(fs. 4-6)

Orders to admit

(fs. 7-31)

14 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,  
 Anthony Bagley, foreman

(fs. 32-61)

321

A torn file, mostly of orders to admit [after 1746]  
 22 fs.

322

File containing:-

Minutes of Court Leet and Court Baron, before  
 George Proctor, esquire, steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> D<sup>r</sup>  
 Sleech, Provost, and the Rev<sup>d</sup> John Burton, clerk,  
 one of the fellows, present 11 October 1749

(fs. 24-37)

Presentments

## Presentments

(f. 38)

## Warrants to admit

(fs. 1-23)

18 surrenders allowed by the homage jury,

Anthony Bagley, foreman

(fs. 39-71)

323

## Court Memoranda

11 October 1749

2 fs.

324

Special Court Baron, before Thomas Osborn, gent.,

deputy of George Proctor, esquire, steward

14 December 1749

Court Baron, before William Brookland, gent.,

deputy of John Smith, gent., steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr.Thomas Ashton and the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. William Cook, two

of the fellows being present

15 October 1751

Special Court Baron, before Thomas Freeman, gent.,

deputy of the same

17 March 1752

Special Court Baron, before Richard Leek, gent.,

deputy of the same

2 May 1752

Court Leet and View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron,

before William Roberts, gent., deputy of the same,

the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Thomas Ashton, one of the bursars, being

present

22 October 1754

Special Court Baron, before Henry Harris, gent.,

deputy of the same

8 April 1755

Special Court Baron, before Richard Leeke, gent.,

deputy of the same

7 July 1756

Special Court Baron, before Thomas Holved, deputy

of the same

7 August 1761

a roll of 17 ms.

## File containing:-

17 surrenders (one of them parchment),  
allowed by the homage jury, John Smith,  
foreman; Henry Harris, bailiff and deputy steward

15 October 1751

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Book of Courts, from Court before William Brookland,  
gent., deputy of John Smith, gent., steward, the  
Rev<sup>d</sup> Thomas Ashton and the Rev<sup>d</sup> William Cooke,  
fellows, being present, 15 October 1751, to Court  
Leet and View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron,  
before William Roberts, gent., deputy of John Smith,  
steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Thomas Ashton, bursar, being present,  
22 October 1754.

44 fs.

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## File containing:-

12 surrenders, allowed by the homage jury,

Roger Hewit, foreman

22 October 1754

(fs. 1-6, 11-27)

Appointment by George Douglas, of Burdowntown, co.  
Burlington, in the province of New Jersey in  
America, yeoman, of Thomas Freeman of Daventry  
as his attorney to receive admission to a copyhold  
estate in the fields of Upper and Neather Weedon  
Beck, to which he believes himself entitled.

Signature of Douglas and witnesses. 10 November 1753

Red wax Seal.

Affidavit of the said Douglas before Thomas Lawrence,  
esquire, mayor of the city of Philadelphia, setting

out

out the reasons of his claim (genealogical details). Signature of Douglas, witnesses and Lawrence.

The Common Seal of the Corporation of the City of Philadelphia. Round, 45mm, red wax, papered, applied over pink silk lace. Armorial: Quarterly First a plough, Second a sheaf, Third scales, Fourth a ship.

SEAL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA 1701

(fs. 7-10)

Book of Courts, Weedon, Everdon, Bledlow; from Weedon View of Frank Pledge with Court Baron, William Roberts, gent., deputy of John Smith, esquire, steward, 27 October 1754, to General Court Baron, before Stephen Hawtrey, esquire, steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. William Cooke, bursar, being present, 25 September 1765.

44 fs., vellum cover.

Special Court Baron, before William Paradise, gent., deputy of John Smith, gent., steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Thomas Ashton, one of the bursars, being present

12 November 1756

a roll of 2 ms.

A. B. 330

12 fs.

File, from which several documents have become detached, containing six surrenders, of dates between 1754 and 1757. Henry Harris bailiff and deputy steward, Roger Hewit foreman of the homage.

List of copies delivered at the Court in 1759.

2 fs.

File containing:-

Appointment by John Douglas, of Nottingham, co. Burlington, America, yeoman, eldest son and heir of George Douglas and his wife Anne, of Richard Addams and Thomas Freeman as his attorneys to receive admission to a moiety of a copyhold estate in the manor of Weedon Beak. Burlington, in the province of New Jersey, 3 February 1759.

Signature of John Douglas.

Witnesses: William Cuzzins, Peter Spence.

Papered Seal.

(fs. 8, 9)

Affidavit of (the said) William Cuzzins, of Philadelphia in the province of Pennsylvania, but now of London, mariner, concerning the foregoing document, sworn at Guildhall in London, 10 July 1759, before R. Glyn, mayor.

(fs. 1, 2)

Petition of Samuel Farnsworth, of the county of Burlington, yeoman, to the Lord of the Manor of Weedonbeck, to appoint a guardian for Amariah eleven-year-old son of Nathaniel Farnsworth, and

secure

secure the said infant's possession of his estate. The petitioner is son of Damaris Farnsworth, formerly Damaris Howard, who was co-partner with Ann Douglas, wife of George Douglas, as heirs at law of Richard Howard in the aforesaid copyhold estate, of which the said Ann and Damaris took the profits. Damaris is dead, and Nathaniel, her son and heir, is also dead. Burlington, 3 February 1759.

Signature of Farnsworth, in the presence of Charles Read.

(f. 7)

Two affidavits sworn and, in the case of Quakers, affirmed, at Burlington on 3 February 1759, before Charles Read, esquire, a Justice of the Peace for the county of Burlington. Signatures.

(fs. 5, 6)

Certificate by Francis Bernard, esquire, Captain General and Governor of the Province of New Jersey, that Charles Read is a Justice of the Peace for the County of Burlington. 8 February 1759  
Signature of Francis Bernard.

The Great Seal of New Jersey, papered, applied, round, 2.3 ins. Within a Garter a shield of the royal arms, ensigned with crown; supporters a lion crowned and a unicorn. Not a good impression and the legend on the scroll is invisible. In the border (outer ring) GEORGIUS III D.G.M..... ET LUN DUX SA RO IM AR THES ET ELECT (inner ring) SIG PROVINCI..... DE NOVA CAESAREA IN AMERICA

(fs. 3, 4)

Deputation by John Smith, steward of the manors of Weedonbeck and Everdon and also of Bledlow, of Stephen Hawtrey of Crane Court, Fleet Street, London, gent., and William Paradise, of New Windsor, gent., as his deputies to hold courts at Bledlow on 2 October next, Weedonbeck 4 October and Everdon 5 October.

30 August 1759

Signature of Smith and red wax Seal.

2 fs.

335

Bundle containing 78 surrenders, sometime filed but which have become detached, of dates between 1754 and 1777; Henry Harris appearing as bailiff and deputy steward until 1764, when he is succeeded by John Harris. Roger Hewitt and Joseph Mead foremen of the homage. On some of the surrenders the order to admit is endorsed by Thomas Ashton.

336

General Court Baron before Stephen Hawtrey, gent., deputy of John Smith, gent., steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Thomas Ashton, one of the bursars being present 4 October 1759  
a roll of 6 ms.

337

General Court Baron, before Stephen Hawtrey, esquire, deputy of John Smith, esquire, steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Cooke, one of the bursars, being present 27 October 1762  
" , before Stephen Hawtrey, esquire, steward, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. William Cooke, one of the bursars, being present 25 September 1765  
Special Court Baron, before Thomas Osborne, gent., deputy  
of

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of Stephen Hawtrey, esquire, steward 7 August 1766  
 Special Court Baron, before John Harris,  
 deputy of the same 10 April 1767  
 " , before Thomas Osborne, gent.,  
 deputy of the same 15 June 1767  
 a roll of 15 ms.

338

Appointment of an attorney by James Gramer Biker, esquire,  
 of Dunchurch, co. Warw., to surrender a tenement in the manor  
 of Weedon Beck.

9 March 1765

Red wax Seal

2 fs.

339

Appointment of an attorney by Mary Biker, widow of  
 James Gramer Biker, deceased, to receive admission to a  
 tenement in Weedon Beck.

24 September 1765

Red wax Seal, armorial.

2 fs.

340

Presentments of copyholds exchanged since the last court  
 held in the manor on 25 September 1765.

Endorsed by the homage:-

- Roger Hewit, foreman
- Williar Abelle
- Joseph Mead
- Charles Bletsce
- Thomas Bennett



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Solomon Hall  
 Thomas Allin  
 John Watson  
 Morgan Lewis  
 George Goff  
 Richard Judkins  
 Robert Cosford

2 fs.

341

Special Court Baron before Thomas Osborne, gent.,  
 deputy steward of Stephen Hawtrey, esquire,  
 steward

7 August 1766

3 fs.

342

Special Court Baron before John Harris, gent., deputy  
 of Stephen Hawtrey, esq., steward

3 June 1771

5 fs.

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Special Court Baron before John Harris, gent., deputy  
 of Stephen Hawtrey, esq., steward

16 June 1772

5 fs.

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Special Court Baron before the same

24 December 1772

1 f.

Presentments of surrenders and alienations of copyholds  
at a general Court Baron.

15 October 1772

Endorsed by the homage:-

Roger Hewitt, foreman

Joseph Mead

Thomas Bennett

John Billing

John Redgrave

George Goff

Thomas Allin

Richard Goff

John Smith

Joseph Goff

John Cox

William Ward

2 fs.

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File, from which several documents have become detached,  
containing nine surrenders, two of them parchment, of  
dates between 1772 and 1781. John Harris bailiff and  
deputy steward.

1-21

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A bundle of surrenders, powers of attorney etc. 1772-1812

21 documents.

348

Special Court Baron before John Harris, deputy of

Stephen Hawtrey, esq., steward

21 April 1775

2 fs.

File containing:-

19 surrenders allowed by the homage, Thomas Bennett, foreman 28 May 1776

(fs. 1-8, 10-17, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28, 29, 31, 32, 36, 37, 39-42, 47, 48, 51, 52, 54, 55)

19 Orders to admit, signed by W.H. R[oberts]

(fs. 9, 18-20, 23, 26, 27, 30, 33-35, 38, 43-46, 49, 50, 53)

Presentments 28 May 1776

2 fs.

File containing:-

17 surrenders of 1776 and 1777, allowed by the homage, Roger Hewitt, foreman

(fs. 1-6, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28, 29, 33, 34, 38, 39, 41-44, 46-51, 53, 54)

20 Orders to admit, mostly signed by W.H. R[oberts]

(fs. 7-10, 13, 16, 19, 20, 23, 26, 27, 30-32, 35-37, 40, 45, 52)

Special Court Baron before John Harris, gent., deputy of Stephen Hawtrey, esq., steward 18 February 1779

1 f.

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Special Court Baron before John Harris, deputy of  
 Stephen Hawtrey, esq., steward 23 December 1779

1 f.

354

Book of Courts, Weedon and Everdon, from General  
 Court Baron, Weedon, before William Frogatt,  
 steward, 24 October 1797, to General Court Baron,  
 Everdon, before Abraham Moore, esquire, steward,  
 3 December 1819.

1 volume of 70 fs., in paper cover.

355

Appointment by William Frogatt, steward, of David  
 Atchison, of Weedon Beck, gentleman, his deputy to  
 hold a special court on 10 October 29 September 1798

Signature of Frogatt and papered Seal.

Stamped in the presence of Edward Brown, registrar  
 of Eton College.

2 fs.

356

Extracts from Court Rolls 1797-1808

4 fs.

357

Book of Courts, from General Court Baron, before  
 Abraham Moore, esquire, steward, 22 October 1807  
 to General Court Baron, before the same, 29 November 1820.

1 volume of 92 fs. and 6 loose fs.

1-33 358

A bundle of surrenders, powers of attorney, etc.

1814-1858

33 documents.

359

General Court Baron, before Edward Brown, gentleman,  
the deputy of Abraham Moore, esquire, steward, 3 May 1815  
(A true copy of the Court Roll examined 2 February 1835).

2 fs.

A. B. 360

Special Court Baron

19 June 1820

3 fs.

361

Special Court Baron

[ ] 1821

(Incomplete draft).

2 fs.

362

Book of Courts from 22 May 1822, George James  
Pennington, esquire, steward, to 27 October 1842,  
Thomas Batcheldor, deputy of J.G. Harris, esquire,  
steward.

In Batcheldor's hand.

78 fs.

363

Court

1822

2 fs.

A-F 364

General Court Baron before George James Pennington,  
esq., steward

18 October 1828

1 packet

10 fs

A-K 365

Court Leet and View of Frank Pledge before George  
James Pennington, esq., steward; 26 October 1829  
including a copy of the will of Samuel Dennett  
of Weedon Beck dated 19 November 1817.

1 packet  
33 fs.

A-D 366

General Court Baron before George James Pennington,  
esq., steward 25 October 1830

1 packet  
3 fs.  
1. m.

A-E 367

General Court Baron before the same 24 October 1831

1 packet  
12 fs.  
1. m.

A.B.C. 368

General Court Baron before John Greathed Harris,  
esq., steward 25 October 1832

1 packet  
29 fs.

A.B. 369

General Court Baron before Thomas Batchelder, gent.,  
deputy of John Greathed Harris, esq., steward

15 October 1833

1 packet  
11 fs.

A.B.C. 370

General Court Baron before the same 9 October 1834

1 packet  
20 fs.

A-F 371

General Court Baron before John Greathed Harris,  
esq., steward 30 October 1835

1 packet  
19 fs.  
1. m.

372

General Court Baron before Thomas Batcheldor, gent.,  
deputy of John Greathed Harris, esq., steward

28 October 1836

1 packet  
19 fs.  
1 m.

A-B 373

General Court Baron before the same

26 October 1837

1 packet  
27 fs

A-F 374

Court Leet and View of Frankpledge with Court Baron  
before the same

22 October 1838

Special Court Baron before the same

10 December 1838

1 packet  
38 fs  
1 m.

A, B, 375

General Court Baron before the same

21 October 1839

1 packet  
18 fs.

A, B, 376

General Court Baron before John Greathed Harris,  
esq., chief steward

23 October 1840

1 packet  
15 fs  
1 m.

A, B, 377

Court Leet and View of Frankpledge with Court Baron  
before Thomas Batcheldor, gent., deputy of John  
Greaded Harris, esq., chief steward

29 October 1841

1 packet  
22 fs  
1 m.

A, B, C, D, 378

General Court Baron before the same; including notes  
of fines Weedon, Everdon, Bledlow

27 October 1842

1 packet  
38 fs

A.B.C. 379

General Court Baron before the same 25 October 1843

1 packet  
35 fs.

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Book of Courts, from General Court Baron, before  
Thomas Batcheldor, gent., deputy of J.G. Harris, esquire,  
steward, 25 October 1843 to General Court Baron, before  
Thomas Batcheldor, gent., steward, 9 October 1856.

1 volume of 92 fs.

A.B.C. 381

General Court Baron before the same 24 October 1844

1 packet  
24 fs  
2 ms

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General Court Baron before the same 23 October 1845

1 packet  
13 fs

A.B. 383

General Court Baron before the same 22 October 1846

1 packet  
17 fs.

A.B.C. 384

General Court Baron before Thomas Batcheldor, gent.,  
deputy of J.G. Harris, esquire, steward 21 October 1847

1 packet  
25 fs.

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Special Court Baron before the same 7 July 1848

5 fs.

A.B. 386

General Court Baron before the same 19 October 1848

1 packet  
22 fs



	A. B. 387
General Court Baron before the same	22 October 1849
	1 packet 28 <u>fs</u>
	A. B. 388
General Court Baron before the same	21 October 1850
	1 packet 15 <u>fs</u>
	A. B. 389
General Court Baron before Thomas Batcheldor, gent., steward of the manor	23 October 1851
	1 packet 16 <u>fs</u> 3 <u>ms</u>
	A. B. 390
General Court Baron before the same	18 October 1852
	1 packet 19 <u>fs</u>
	A. B. 391
General Court Baron before the same	17 October 1853
	1 packet 12 <u>fs</u> 1 <u>m</u>
	392
Special Court Baron before the same	25 July 1854
	3 <u>fs.</u>
	A-I 393
General Court Baron before the same	9 October 1854
	1 packet 20 <u>fs.</u> 3 <u>maps</u>
	394
General Court Baron before the same	22 October 1855
	1 packet 15 <u>fs</u>
	A. B. 395
General Court Baron before the same	9 October 1856
	1 packet 19 <u>fs</u>

	A.B. 396
Court Leet and View of Frankpledge with Court Baron before the same	8 October 1857
	1 packet 20 fs 1 m. 397
General Court Baron before the same	19 October 1858
	1 packet 12. fs
	A.B. 398
General Court Baron before the same	24 October 1859
	1 packet 11 fs
	A.B. 399
General Court Baron before the same	22 October 1860
	1 packet 16 fs
	A.B. 400
General Court Baron before the same	24 October 1861
	1 packet 13 fs
	401
General Court Baron before the same, the Rev <sup>d</sup> George John Dupuis, one of the Fellows of the College being present	27 October 1862
	1 packet 23 fs
	A.B.C. 402
General Court Baron before the same	19 October 1863
	1 packet 9 fs
	A-J. 403
General Court Baron before the same, the Rev <sup>d</sup> Charles Old Goodford D.D., Provost, and the Rev <sup>d</sup> George John Dupuis, one of the Bursars of the College being present	17 October 1864
	1 packet 20 fs

A-F. 404

General Court Baron before the same

19 October 1865

1 packet  
18 fs

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A packet of surrenders, bargains and sales,  
warrants to enter satisfaction upon a  
conditional surrender, powers of attorney,  
etc.

1877-1889

106 documents.

Custumal

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Custumal of the manor, written in the seventeenth or eighteenth century, from a custumal written in 23 Henry VII "after the old custome booke made and written in the 3<sup>d</sup> yeare of King Henery the second."

"First the King's grace findeth a steward to keepe the Law day in Weedonbeck twice in the yeare which Law day hath beene allways by the King's steward of the Duchy of Lancaster the Thursday after Hocks Tewsday and the Thursday after Saint Martin's day; And the said steward shall not receave nor take for his labours no manour fees of the Lords nor of his officers but man's meat and horse meat for that day therebeing. And all the ishews and proffets of the same court to grow to the Lord's advantage.

Item, the Lords are bounden to finde to the tenants a steward to keepe his court from 3 weeks to 3 weeks and in the same court to hold plee of land by wright of righte, and in the same court the title to be desyded, and the matters to [be] determynd as well by vardict given by homage sworn upon ishew joynd as by matter in law.

Item, the steward hath by authority to hold plee of all other persnall actions before him every 3 weeks, and the same plees determyne afore him in manour and forme as is used in other courts Barons according to the common use.

Item, when the steward shall sitt and keepe the court at every 3 weeks he shall cause the bayleife or deputay to make procklimation as is used in another court and in like manor call feynes and [profer] suets or plees.

Item, the steward or his clarke shall have a sute roll ready wherin all the names of the tenants shall be written and also the feofees of every tenant as they that have made their fine for sute with the Lords or his baylye. And all those that be not at their fines and make default shalbe amearced. And the same amearcements to be leavyed of the

same

same lands that ought of right to doe sute in whose hands they bee.

Item, if a tenant will be at his fine he must agree with the Lord or with his bayleife, and after that agreement the same fine shalbe entred into the sute role to the intent the steward may make every yeare once the Estreats to the bayliefte to leavy as well theym to the Lord's use as other amearcements.

Item, every tenant that is a custome holder may come into court and make surrender of his lands to the use of any person or persons or by the same surrender may make feofees to his use or to the use of any other which feofees or any one of them shall sue unto the court for the same lands as he that made the surrender did before.

Item, every tenant that is a custome holder may by surrender make a gift in the tall sevrall (sic; presumably "tail general") or speciall with such remainders over to any other person or persons as he liketh in fee simple or fee tall. And if the remainder be in fee tale the revercion of the fee simple shall rest in him as that doeth in the Comon Law.

Item, if any tenant be sick or in joberdy of life and would make surrender of his lands and the bayliefte be absent and cannot be found then it shall be lawfull to the same tenant to call two custome holders and make surrender to them of the same lands to such use as he will and at the next court they shall make surrender of the same lands to the same use as they were put in trust for.

Item, if any tenant that is a custome holder make valuation of his lands that he holdeth by cobby or by deede or charter hold or make a feofment by such deed and not by surrender of his Cobby hold [or] charter hold then the baylife shall enter into the said lands to the use of

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the Lords so alyened and them set to farme or make a grant after the custome of the manor any Coppy or grant thereof before made not withstanding.

Item, if any tenant by custome dye seased of any lands that he held after custome of the Manor his next heire shall come or be brought to the court and there shall be admitted tenant be it man or woman and of what age soever it be.

Item, if any tenant by custome make any feofeement to his use and dye his lands so being in feofeement his said feofees shall be seased to the use of his next heire of the same lands so being in feofeement shall make estate by surender to the same heire when he thereto shallbe returned them and if the said feofees or any of them doe refuse to make such estate to the same heire the said heire may bring his wright of right into court against him or them that so refuseth and have the same recovery against him or them that so refuseth as he should against a stranger that had deseased him.

Item, every tenant that is a custome holder may surender his lands into the hands of the bayleife to what use he will and the same baylief shall come to the next court and make surender to such use as was put in trust for.

Item, if any tenant by custome of manor dye seased of any lands holden by custome his wife shall come to the court and pray to be endewed in the one halfe of the same lands for tearme of her life wherunto shall be receved and admitted after the custome, and over that if her husband weare once seased dureing the sponsell.

Item, every tenant by custome of manor may be asoynd by another tenant or by a man child of the same hold not being a suter in manor and forme folloing, that is to say he shall esoyne any tenant being from the court and he shall say theuse, I John a Nocks assigne John a Stiles by custome

of the court after custome of the manor by John a Noks.  
And thus may one man or one child esoyne the custome  
holders of one day.

Item, if any man that is a custome holder surrender  
his lands tenements to another man's use by reason of any  
bargin or sale made of the same or put the same lands in  
feofement to his owne use, the custome is that he shall  
make such fine with the Lorde or his bayleife to the use  
of the Lord as the same Lord or his bayleife shall agree  
to after the custome of the manor, and over that after his  
death shall pay in the name of his harriott 5s or ells one  
land to be asoynd for the same, provided allway that if  
any tenant by the custome make such surrender of any cottage  
without lands he shall make a fine as is sayd before but  
hee shall not pay an harriot after his death.

Item, if any custome holder be joyntly seased after  
the custome of manor of any lands, the custome is that none  
of them shall pay an harriott save onely he that last  
dyeth and the remnant to be discharged and in likewise of  
feofees the last feofee if he dye seased shall pay an  
harriott.

Item, every tenant by custome that is admitted to any  
lands or tenements in the court shall incontinent do his  
feality and pay therefor a peny and thereuppon sew for his  
Coppay out of the Court Roll and pay therefore and likewise  
of all put in feofement.

Item, if any tenant by custome be deseased or putt  
out of lands or tenements by any person or persons the same  
tenant shall bring his writte of right into the Lord's  
court and there before the steward the title shall be  
desided and determined aswell by Vardict given by the  
homage as by matter in law.

Item, if a customary tenant shall make feofees and dye,  
his



his said feofees shall make a surrender to the use of the heire if they be required therunto and for the same make fine, and so shall every of them first and last.

Item, if land desend to more than one as coparency one of them shall sue unto the court for all that is the eldist be particion made and after particion made every one of them shall sue unto the court.

Item, if any customary tenant dye seased and his heire come into the court and be admitted tenant he shall pay for his relefe so much as his rent is by the yeare.

Item, if any man be esoynd and make default after at the court, then he shall be amerced for both.

Item, in a wright of right the tenant shall have his three defaults after he is esoynd. And if he then apeare not, seasion shall be awarded to the demandant.

Item, in all grownds where any common is used betweene the Lords and tenants, at the feast of Lamas the one to enter with the other.

Item, every tenement by the custome that dyeth seased of a measeage and yard land shall pay an harriott, and though he dye seased of more meassage or yards of land he shall pay but one harriott.

Item, if any customery tenant have ishew 3 or 4 sons and one goe out of the cuntry, the father dyeth, all the other brothers dye, then proclamation shall be made 3 courts next after that the heire, if any be, shall come in, and if they come not after such proclamation the land shall be seased into the Lord's hands. And if the heire come after such seaser before the Lord and pray to be receved he shall be admitted, but he shall never be restored to the rent nor proffett receaved for the Lord before.

Item, if a woman be a customeary tenant and take a husband man and hath ishew by him and dye her husband shall

be tenant by curticie as at the Common Law.

Item, if 2 customary tenants be in varince for land the one sell or give to the other his title and righte and he must relinguesh all his right by way of surender in the court to the other and make but halfe a fine.

Item, if any tenant that is a custome holder make alyenacion of his lands that he holdeth by Cobby other by deede or by charter hold or make feofement by such deede and not by surender then the bayleife shall enter in such lands so alyenyed to the use of the Lords and them set to farme or make a grant after the custome of the manor may grant or Cobby thereof made not withstanding.

Item, if a woman be seased of land and take a husband and shee will willing or make a feofee the woman shall come into the court and the steward shall examine her and if shee refuse shee will agree with her good will then the surender of her and her husband shall be taken.

a roll of 3 fs.

Letters  
(407 - 449)

An account of abuses and disorders within the Manors of Wedenbeck and Everden, addressed, probably by the steward or the bailiff, to the College. temp. Elizabeth

2 fs.

John Denham [?Egham], 16 February [ ], to Sir Henry Savile. He has been perusing a Court Book of Wedone and finds the copies entered very imperfectly, the fines heriots and rents being generally omitted. He must go some day this week to Lincoln's Inn. "I had proposed to have come over unto Etone this day, butt it hath soe happened that I am not well able to draw one a boote uppone one of my legges."

2 fs.

John Bachiler and George Goad, bursars, Eton College, 1 November 1650, to Mrs. Anne Bust, tenant at Weedonbeak, demanding "threescore pounds for the 40 weathers due at midsonmer last."

Noted: "This letter was undertaken to bee conveyed by Mr. Sylvester Switzer of New Windsor but hee neglected it."

Red wax Seal, armorial.

2 fs.

A.B. 410

John Billing, bailiff, Wedon Beck, 27 May 1722, to Mr. John Sawyer, attorney at law, at his lodgings at Blew Ball in Arundall Street in the Strand, asking him to pass an enclosed letter to Henry Procter, esquire, the steward. The enclosed letter asks for a deputation to keep a petty court to admit one

Thomas

Thomas Gare, also there is one Watson who "hath had great deale of sickness and would morgage his tenement that his mother hath left him to redeeme his clothes that he hath been foarst to pawne for bread in y<sup>e</sup> time of his sicknes."

4 fs.

The same, 5 June 1722, to the same asking that the business of the deputation may have urgent attention.

2 fs.

Henry Harris, Weedon, 13 October 1737, to [ ] concerning certain tenements in the manor. "... at y<sup>e</sup> last corte I menconed to Mr. Sleek abought a deputation for y<sup>e</sup> preserveing y<sup>e</sup> game in this manor and Everton which is much wanting if you could do me y<sup>e</sup> favor to gett me one I shall remitt all y<sup>e</sup> charge and shall have a convencey to send som game to you."

1 f.

Stephen Sleech, Eton College, 3 November 1737, to George Proctor, esq., no. 1 in Pump Court in y<sup>e</sup> Temple, London, sending extracts from Court Rolls of Tew Parva and Weedon Beck.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

H. Harris, Weedon, 3 November 1738, to George Proctor, esq., at Clewer by Winsor, concerning a deputation to call a court to admit a tenant to a part of the George Inn.

1 f.

415

The same, Weedon, 28 November 1739, to the same asking for a deputation for a court to admit the daughters of John Cole deceased.

1 f.

416

Stephen Sleech, bursar, Eton College, 9 May 1740, to the same desiring him to hold a private court for the admission of Mr. John Adams to the estates of Jos. Are. With memorandum by Proctor.

2 fs.

417

Henry Harris, Weedon, 19 May 1740, to the same with a further request for a deputation concerning John Cole's estate. With memorandum by Proctor that he has given Harris the deputation.

1 f.

418

G. Proctor, 26 November 1740, to Mr. Harris instructing him to admit Edward Billing etc.

2 fs.

A. B. 419

Henry Harris, bailiff, Weedon, 7 December 1756, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Cooke, one of the fellows, sending a valuation of Weedon Beck.

2 fs.

420

T. Osborne, Northampton, 21 May 1767, to Stephen Hawtrey, esq., councillor at law, at his chambers in Garden Court, Temple, concerning William Hall's holding in Weedon Beck and other matters.

2 fs.

421

Charles Bletsoe, Harrold near Olney, Bucks, 19 April 1770, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Doctor Cooke, Eton College, concerning the fine for the renewal of his lease.

2 fs.

422

John Harris, Weedon Beck, 24 March 1774, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Betham, bursar, concerning the College estate at Weedon Beck and Everdon.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

423

Charles Bletsoe, Harrold, 25 March 1774, to the same. The difficulty of making a terrier if the copyholders refuse to shew their terriers.

2 fs.

424

Thomas Freeman, Daventry, 9 September 1775, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Barnard, Provost, acquainting him that the proprietors of Wedon open fields have almost unanimously agreed to apply to Parliament for an Inclosure Act. Does the Provost intend to hold a court this year? There is no material business.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

C.S. Oakden, attorney, Daventry, 13 February 1776, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Barnard, asking on behalf of Mr. Thornton, patron of the living of Weedon Beck and owner of the grant tithes and some other lands there, and by several other proprietors of lands in the open fields, whether the College will join in opposing the intended application to Parliament for an Inclosure. "It is presumed that the property there will not improve by an Inclosure and that it will be certainly very detrimental to the Poor. More than half the property of the College is already inclosed."

2 fs.

Edward Palmer, Coleshill, 24 February 1776, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Betham, Eton College, concerning the enclosure at Weedon Beck.

2 fs.

Thomas Freeman, Daventry, 4 March 1776, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Roberts, Eton College, concerning the inclosure. The College lessee ought to bear the expense. Illustrations of other cases he had handled where the lessee had borne the expense.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

The same, Daventry, 16 March 1776, to the same, concerning the same. At a great meeting of the proprietors at the Globe at Dedford, Mr. Thornton, junior, on behalf of his father, agreed to the inclosure upon certain terms. The names of the proposed commissioners.

Black wax Seal.

2 fs.



The same, Daventry, 25 March 1776, to the same concerning the same. "I well hop'd that the subject of the College as lords of the manor claiming a compensation as such had been sufficiently debated and well understood when I was last at Eton, and I think I then mention'd about 40 instances where the lords neither claim'd nor had any and I mention'd about 4 where the lords claim'd and had a small compensation, and even in two of those 4 I myself was oblig'd to furnish words to make the clause even tolerable and fit to read." "Mr Deacon, Mrs Rawlins's son in law, a considerable proprietor is now at my house, reading your letter, and declares he knows not one opponent." He will be at Will's Coffee house in Serle Street on Thursday next for 4 or 5 days.

Black wax Seal.

2 fs.

430

The same, Will's, Sunday morning, 50 minutes past eight, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Young, Mount Street, concerning the choice of inclosure commissioners, and of Messrs. King and Cullingworth as surveyors.

Black wax Seal.

2 fs.

431

J. Young, Mount Street, 31 March 1776, to [the College]. Describes his meeting with Mr. Freeman and Mr. Jephcot, one of the proposed commissioners, at Will's coffee house. He found Mr. Freeman "very full of words and tedious and tiresome." They had a proof copy of the Bill. It appears that the College has only named one of the five commissioners, which "is nothing at all." Mr. Freeman "proposed to give the College consent to the Bill and said the committee could be satisfied with his saying

saying that the College consented. I told him that if they would, they were a very bad committee, and insisted on his sending the Bill down to be either signed by you, sir, or sealed.... I believe he looks on me as a very troublesome fellow; and I look on him, as I have done on other solicitors before him as retained by the proprietors to get as much from the Church as he can."

2 fs.

John Harris, Weedon Beck, 18 May 1776, to Stephen Hawtrey, esquire, Union Coffee House, Temple Bar, London. He has fixed notices for holding general courts at Weedon Beck and Everdon, as ordered.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

Edward Palmer, Coleshill, 9 July 1777, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Betham, at Greenford near Southall, Middlesex, concerning the postponement of the holding of a court at Weedon. He proposes to make out an account of the improved value of all estates in the manor of Weedon.

2 fs.

John Harris, Weedon Beck, 15 October 1777, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Roberts, Eton College, saying that he has summoned the court as instructed, and giving a list of surrenders made.

Red wax Seal. A goddess.

2 fs.

Samuel Howes, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, 6 September 1777, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Barnard, explaining the embarrassment he has been caused because no court has been held for so long and asking for a date when a court can be held.

Black wax Seal.

2 fs.

John Harris, Weedon Beck, 25 September 1777, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Roberts, sending an account, as requested, of estates surrendered.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

Illiterate undated letter from John Green, a tenant at will at Weedon Beck to "the Gentlemen Aton Collge" concerning a yard land he intends to sell. [late 18<sup>th</sup> cent.]

1 f.

C.S. Oakden, Daventry, 24 May 1779, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> Dr. Roberts asking the College to support Mr. Folwell, of Everdon, a customary tenant of Weedon Beck, in contesting the right of the toll gatherer in this (?Daventry) market to exact a toll upon his sheep; with a copy by John Harris, bailiff, of an instrument issued under the College Seal on 18 December 1769, directed to mayors, sheriffs, bailiffs, constables, toll-gatherers etc, asserting the freedom of the College tenants from such tolls under the privileges granted to the College by Henry VI.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

439

Charles Bletsoe, Harrold, 24 April 1791, to the Rev<sup>d</sup> the Bursar asking for an abatement of his fine.

Red wax Seal.

2 fs.

440

Thomas Freeman of Freeman and Mieras, Daventry, attorneys to the Road Commissioners, 18 October 1799, to Mr. Thomas Eagle enclosing a draft conveyance of several plots of land in Weedon Beck and Stow for the approbation of the College.

[Enclosure not with letter].

2 fs.

441

Thomas Eagle, Baginton, 28 October 1799, to [the College] concerning the foregoing conveyance.

1 f.

1-77, 442

A bundle of letters 1805-1829  
(some 92 documents).

1-61 443

A bundle of letters 1834-35  
(some 58 documents).

1-27 444

A bundle of letters 1836-37  
(some 26 documents).

1-28 445

A bundle of letters 1840-43  
(some 27 documents).

1-62      446

A bundle of letters 1844  
 (some 61 documents).

1-132      447

A bundle of letters 1845-46  
 (some 133 documents).

1-141      448

A bundle of letters 1847-49  
 (some 140 documents).

1-108      449

A bundle of letters 1850-66  
 (some 100 documents).

**Legal Documents**

**(450 - 466)**

Extract from the Assize Roll, the Eyre of G. le Scrop and his fellow Justices Itinerant at Northampton Monday after All Saints 3 Edward III, 6 November 1329 [Public Record Office, Assize Rolls (Just: Itin: 1) no.634 m.44. Printed in Placita de Quo Waranto temp. Edw.I, II and III (1818) p.583]

The abbot of Bec Herlewyn claims by bill waifs and strays in his manor of Wedon. The said abbot summoned to answer the King on a plea of Quo Warranto claims to have there sok and sak tol and theam and infangenethef and the chattels of all his men who for whatever offence are fugitives or outlaws or have been condemned to death or the loss of limbs whether in the King's court or in any other court pertaining to the King and to have the ameracements of all his men whether they have been amerced before the Justices of the Bench or the Justices Itinerant, of Common Pleas, of the Forest, of Assise, of Gaol Delivery or those appointed for the making of inquisitions, or before any other justices, sheriffs or bailiffs; and he claims that his men are quit of shires, hundreds, pleas, suits, murders, wapentakes, scutage, geld, Danegeld, hidage, assise, works of castles and bridges and parks and ditches and trenches, sherdewyt, heyngwyt, flemynewyt, warpeny, averpeny, blodewita, flitwyta, hunderyngpeny, thyndynepeny, toll, passage, pontage, lastage, stallage and all secular service and similar work and exaction, with murder and homicide and maiming and blood, water and fire, and all other liberties and customs, and free warren in all the demesne lands of the manor.

By Richard Blount, his attorney, the abbot says in respect of all the foregoing (except free warren) that King Henry (i.e. Henry III) the great grandfather of the present King in an inspeximus dated 4 May 1253 of a charter of his grandfather (i.e. Henry II) confirmed in frankalmoign to the then abbot all the said liberties. Free warren was granted by charter of Henry III, provided the lands were not within the royal forests.

The said charter is shown.

As to waifs and strays he says that the abbot and his predecessors have been seized thereof time out of mind.

And Richard de Aldeburgh for the King says that in the last eyre the abbot did not claim the said liberties and therefore they should be taken into the King's hand. Afterwards the abbot having paid a fine for re-having the liberties of 13s:4d claims the same by warranty as above. Richard de Aldeburgh asks that an inquisition be made. So the jurors come on Saturday after the feast of the Ascension and say on their oath that the abbot and his predecessors time out of mind have had the liberties of waif and stray in the said manor; and from the time of the making of the said charters have had the liberties of sok and sak tol and them and infangenethef and of having the chattels of all their men who are fugitives etc. and the amercements of all their men etc. and quittance of shires, hundreds etc. And as to the warren they say that from the time of the aforesaid charter of Henry III the abbot and his predecessors have had the same.

1 m.

451

Complaint of Robert Gostwyke, of Wardon, gentleman, in the Court of Augmentations against Robert Lynnell, of Wedonbeke, farmer, for the recovery of tithes in Wedonbeke. The complainant holds a lease of the same from the prior and convent of the late priory of Dunstable, co. Bedford, now dissolved.

3 fa.



In the King's Bench: Samuel Richardson, on the demise of William Farebrother, plaintiff, Joshua Calloway and Thomas Goff, defendants, in a plea of trespass and ejection.

Subpoena duces tecum to Edward Brown to produce Court Rolls of the manor of Weedon Beck at the Northampton Assizes on 3 March next, recording admissions to and surrenders of Clay Hills, Little Hill and Brick Kiln. 12 February 1821

1 f.

William Priestley and Jane, his wife, plaintiffs, Joshua Calloway, defendant, on a plea of trespass and ejection.

Subpoena duces tecum for the production of Court Rolls at the Northampton Assizes on 28 February next. 12 February 1824

1 f.

Copy from the Court Roll of 19 June 1820, produced by Edward Brown in the foregoing.

2 fs.

Protest by Thomas Hearn, junior, of Buckingham, solicitor to William Priestley and Jane his wife, to the Provost and College and George James Pennington, esquire, their steward, and Edward Brown, gentleman, deputy steward, against any admittance to a property in Weedon Beck to which they are entitled by virtue of a surrender of 1790 which by inadvertence was never enrolled.

2 fs.

Horlock v. Priestley.

Partial draft of Subpoena duces tecum for the production of Court Rolls at the Northampton Assizes on 28 February 1824.

2 fs.

Report of hearing in Vice Chancellor's Court 10 February 1824. Application in the foregoing by plaintiff's counsel that the defendants should be directed to concur in the sale of the estate to pay the arrears of annuities due thereon to the plaintiffs, and that the alleged surrender of 1790 should be declared fraudulent. Defendants' counsel, who stated defendants had brought a cross bill, pleaded negligence on the part of the steward of the manor. The Vice Chancellor said he could do nothing with the case until it was tried by an issue in a Court of Law whether Mr. and Mrs. Priestley had a legal title.

In the Queen's Bench.

Ex parte William Ferdinand Wratislaw, of Rugby, co. Warwick, gentleman, attorney, and Frederick Fuller, his clerk, concerning the refusal of Thomas Batchelder to enrol a surrender.

(1) Affidavit of Wratislaw and Fuller, sworn at Rugby.

1 November 1845

4 fs.

(2) Bill of costs of Thomas Batchelder.

2 fs.

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In the Queen's Bench.

Affidavit of Thomas Orton Gery, of Daventry, gentleman, concerning the refusal of Thomas Batcheldor, deputy steward, to admit Thomas Burton to a copyhold tenement in Everdon.

Daventry 13 November 1845

8 fs.

461

In the Queen's Bench.

Ex parte William Flesher. Observations to brief for Eton College and J.G. Harris, esq., to oppose Rule. 6 June 1846

10 fs.

Copies of documents in the suit in the Queen's Bench, the Queen v. the Lord of the manor of Weedon Beck, concerning the refusal of the latter to take a surrender of certain copyhold tenements in Weedon Beck devised in the will of William Harris dated 26 November 1812:

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(1) Judgement of Lord Denman.

2 fs.

463

(2) Writ of Mandamus to the Provost and College and their steward to take the said surrender 25 November 1846

12 fs.

464

(3) Draft Return to Mandamus.

6 fs.

In Chancery. John Smith and George Wartnaby,  
complainants, v. John Short, defendant.

Summons to Thomas Batchelder to testify before Mr. Villiers,  
one of the examiners of witnesses. 16 April 1847

[The case concerned tenements in Weedon Beck mentioned  
in the will of William Smith. Public Record Office,  
Chancery Pleadings C.14/602/119 and Order C.33/964 f.188].

1 f.

Notice to the same of the time he is to appear to  
testify in the foregoing.

1 f.

**Inclosure Documents**

**(467 - 471)**

A bill for dividing and inclosing the open and common fields, common meadows, common pastures, common grounds, and commonable lands within the manor and parish of Wedon and Weston, otherwise Wedon Pinkney, otherwise Loys Wedon, in the county of Northampton.

1771

Printed.

18 fs.

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A Bill for dividing and inclosing the open and common fields, common pastures, common meadows, and other commonable lands and grounds, of, and in, Over Weedon Beck, and Nether Weedon Beck, within the parish and liberties of Weedon Beck, in the county of Northampton.

[undated]

Printed.

19 fs.

469

Calf-bound volume containing:

The Enclosure Act for Over and Nether Weedon Beck.

Printed.

Copy of the Award, examined. With index.

1777

MS.

470

Large calf-bound volume containing a Survey of the allotments as awarded.

1777

12 fs., the remainder blank

471

Copy of the Enclosure Award, enrolled 17 September 1777 by Charles Morgan, Clerk of the Peace for Northants.

1 volume of 44 fs., in paper cover

Wills

(472 - 487)

Copy or draft of the will of William Hall, of Wedon,  
gentleman. 18 September 1514  
1 f.

Copy of indenture of agreement, 10 January 1522, between Edmund Knyghtley, of Falwesley, co. Northampton, esquire, on one part, and Richard Byllyng and Robert Lynell, of Wedon Beck, executors of the will of William Hall, late of Wedon Beke, deceased, on the other. The said Richard and Robert agree to prove the said will before Easter next and to act in the execution of the same in a manner agreeable to the said Edmund; and Edmund agrees to save harmless the said Richard and Robert of all things concerning the said will as far as the goods of the said William being in his hands will extend, and to allow them 12d a day for any day that they may ride in business connected with the will, and 8d a day for every day that they do not ride, being at London or 4 miles from their dwelling, in the same business. The executors give the said Edmund all the goods, chattels, leases and farms which were lately of the said William Hall and are now belonging to them; in consideration whereof the said Edmund lets them the farm or pasture called the Nowbold for a rent of 6l. The parties bind themselves in bonds of 20l for the observance of the foregoing.

1 f.

Certified copy of the will of Nathaniel Billing, citizen and vintner of London, dated 5 February 1712-3, proved 8 January 1713-4; extracted from the Registers of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Provision is made for the foundation of a school in Weedon Beck. A clause empowering the lords of the manor to approve and displace the schoolmaster has been underlined by Betham, who has endorsed the document to this effect.

2 fs.



Copy of the will of Richard Gudgin, of Nether Weedon,  
shoemaker. 5 January 1735

See no. 310.

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Extract from the will of John Sutton, of Lower Weedonbeek,  
victualler. 9 February 1806

2 fs.

476

Copy of the will, dated 6 November 1812, of William Harris,  
of Wootton, co. Northampton, esquire, proved at London  
13 March 1813. Extracted from the Registry of the  
Prerogative Court of Canterbury. And copy of the will,  
dated 15 April 1771, of Thomas Harris, of Weston Favel, co.  
Northampton, yeoman.

31 fs., in a marbled paper cover.

Copy of the will of Samuel Dennett, of Weedon Beck.  
19 November 1817

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Probate of the will, dated 13 January 1817, of John Daniel,  
of Upper Weedon Beck, yeoman, in the consistory court of the  
archdeacon of Northampton, 31 December 1817.

Seal, pointed oval, 82mm, papered, on doubled tag.  
St. Peter, seated on a throne with key in right hand: beneath,  
a shield of arms, two crossed keys between four crosses  
crosslet fitchees (see of Peterborough). SIGILLUM VICAR:  
GENERALIS DOMINI EPISCOPI PETRIBURGENSIS.

[B.M. no. 2143].

2 ms.

478

Extract from the will of Francis Mayo, late of Oldham, co. Lancaster, gentleman, dated 9 September 1829, from the episcopal Registry of Chester.

2 fs.

479

Extract from the will of John Wareing, late of Moulton, co. Northampton, baker, dated 30 March 1833. Codicil 30 January 1836, proved 13 November 1837.

1 f.

Packet containing:

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Copy of the probate, dated 12 November 1821, of the will, dated 29 November 1820, with codicil 28 July 1821, of the Rev<sup>d</sup> John Rawlins Deacon, of Waddington, co. Lincoln, clerk.

8 fs.

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Copy of the will, dated 15 June 1841, of Nathaniel Tarver, of Daventry, ironmonger.

3 fs.

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Copy of the will, dated 19 July 1841, of George Margetts, of Hilton, co. Huntingdon, gentleman.

4 fs.

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3 fs.

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Abstract of title of Mr. John Smith, of Kelmarsh, to lands in the manor of Weedon Beck. 1847.

4 fs.

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2 fs.

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**Introduction**

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The manor of Blakenham, co. Suffolk, appears in the original endowment of the College, and the grant was confirmed by Edward IV in 1467.<sup>1</sup> The manor had been given about ten years after the Norman Conquest by Walter Giffard to the abbey of Bec.<sup>2</sup> A royal confirmation of this grant, dated c.1091, is one of the exhibits in the College Library, a document that bears one of the few surviving examples of William Rufus' Seal. (The abbot of Bec does not however appear as the holder in Domesday Book).

This was a non-conventual priory, administered, as other such estates of the abbey, from Ruislip. The deeds show to what extent the abbey enlarged its property during the thirteenth century. The most startling purchase is that from Benedict de Blakeham in 1255 of a messuage and carucate (except 7 acres) for no less than 300<sup>l</sup> (no.3). A clause in an undated deed of about this period suggests how close the control of the abbot became over his English possessions, even the outlying ones, at this period. A service that is mentioned in a lease from Adam de Caudesham to Robert the Cook is the recognition of a new abbot of Bec when he shall first come to the vill of Blakenham, at which time the lessee is to defend the premises according to their extent. In the following century, however, Blakenham, like other farms, was leased. Such a lease was that to John de Broughton, who was already steward of the abbey estates, in 1343 (no.52).

Of the Seals on the mediaeval documents that of Master John de Mukedon is specially to be noticed (no.14). Here, evidently, is the head of the cleric himself, though it would be rash to suggest that there is any attempt at a likeness. A reminder of its East Anglian origin is given by the dating of a deed (no.32) on the feast of St. Felix, who brought Christianity to the East Angles in the seventh century.

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1. Calendar of Patent Rolls 1467-1477 p.63.

2. M. Morgan, English Lands of the Abbey of Bec p.148. Miss Morgan treats fully of the running of the Bec estates, including Blakenham, and analyses accounts and other records listed in this catalogue.

Is one to detect a joke in no.23 in the spelling of servicium as cervisium?

The earliest of the College leases is dated 1556 (no.56). In a lease of 1629 (no.76) the words, "This Indenture", have been printed from a block. This is a very early example of such a practice.

The records show that at least from the middle of the sixteenth century there was continual uncertainty and dispute about the exact bounds of the College estate at Great Blakenham. Correspondence, surveys, Legal documents, all show how relaxed the lord's hold was apt to become on this distant farm. The College had to contend not only with the depredations of tenants or neighbours but with the defects of their own stewards or deputy-stewards, with the gout of Mr. Puppeltt, the drunkenness of Mr. Hymer (no.181) or the dilatoriness of Mr. Paske who had to be positively threatened with Proceedings in Chancery (no.193).

An eighteenth century document, coming from Jamaica and relating to Buckminster, co. Leicester, was found among these Blakenham documents (no.208). It appears to have nothing to do with Blakenham, but has been left here as it is not clear where else it should be placed. The following numbers are in a packet tied together, described : "Great Blakenham. Property sold to Mr. J. Wainwright 1921:" nos. 110-121, 208-217, 229-256.

Noel Blewitt

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Right hand indenture of final concord made before the King's justices in eyre at Huntingdon in the octaves of St. John the Baptist 19 Henry III between Gilbert de Myneres and Lucy his wife, plaintiffs and Henry abbot of Bec whom Richard Duket has called to warranty and to whom he has given his warranty by Andrew de Croinden, his attorney, of a carucate in Blakenham, which the plaintiffs claimed as of the dower of Lucy, having been part of the free tenement of Richard de Blakeham, her former husband. The plaintiffs quitclaim all their right in the premises to the abbot, for 20 marks. 1235.

Hec est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Huntendon in octabis sancti Johannis Baptiste anno regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis nonodecimo coram Roberto de Lexint' Olivero de Vallibus Ada filio Willelmi et Roberto de Bello Campo justiciariis itinerantibus et aliis domini regis fidelibus tunc ibi presentibus inter Gilbertum de Myneres et Luciam uxorem ejus petentes per Willelmum clericum positum loco ipsius Lucie ad lucrandum vel perdendum et Henricum abbatem de Becco Herlewini quem Ricardus Duket vocavit ad warantum et qui ei warantizavit per Andream de Croinden positum loco suo ad lucrandum vel perdendum de una carucata terre cum pertinenciis in Blakeham Quam terram idem Gilbertus et Lucia clamabant esse de rationabili dote ipsius [Lucie que eam contingebat]<sup>1.</sup> de libero tenemento quod fuit Ricardi de Blakeham quondam viri ipsius Lucie in eadem villa [unde placitum fuit inter eos in eadem]<sup>1.</sup> curia scilicet quod predicti Gilbertus et Lucia remiserunt et quietum clamaverunt de se predicto [abbati et successoribus suis et ecclesie sue]<sup>1.</sup> de Becco totum jus et clamium quod habuerunt in tota predicta terra cum pertinenciis nomine dotis [inperpetuum Et pro hac remissione]<sup>1.</sup> quieta clamancia fine

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et concordia idem abbas dedit predictis Gilberto et Lucie  
vig[inti marcas argenti].<sup>1</sup>.

1. m

Nos 1. 3. 40. ATTACHED TOGETHER

Quitclaim by Richard Duket, Knight, to Henry, abbot of  
Bec, [1223-1247] of the manor of Blakenham, for 75 marks silver.  
All deeds and instruments have been surrendered.

Notum sit omnibus ad quos presens scriptum pervenerit  
quod ego Ricardus Duket miles resignavi et omnino pro me et  
heredibus meis quietum clamavi manerium de Blakham cum omnibus  
pertinenciis suis in manus Henrici abbatis de Becco salvis  
michi rationabilibus empcionibus et perquisitis meis in  
eodem manerio.

Resignavi eciam in manus ejusdem  
abbatis omnia scripta et instrumenta que inde habebam  
Et pro hac resignacione et quieta clamacione dedit mihi idem  
abbas sexaginta et quindecim marcas argenti In cujus  
rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui.

Testibus hiis domino Ricardo de Lada Godefrido de Bello  
Monte clerico Willelmo de Regat' Petro de Tofelt clericis  
Henrico Walense Roberto de Forneaus Thoma de  
Sancheurel Andrea clerico et aliis.

Seal, pointed oval, 27, originally 31, mm, natural  
colour wax, on doubled tag.

A duck. SIGILL' RICARDI DUKET

1. m

Left hand indenture of final concord made in the King's  
court at Westminster in the quindene of St. John the Baptist  
39 Henry III between Robert, abbot of Bec, plaintiff, by  
Walter de Swynecumbe, his attorney, and Benedict de Blakeham,  
defendant, of a messuage and a carucate (except 7 acres) in

North

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of the Fine in the Public Record Office (C.P.25/1/213/12).

North Blakenham. Consideration 306<sup>1</sup> sterling. 1255.

Hec est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Westmonasterium a die sancti Johannis Baptiste in quindecim dies anno regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis tricesimo nono coram Rogero de Thurkelby et Alano de Watsaund justiciariis et aliis domini regis fidelibus tunc ibi presentibus inter Robertum abbatem de Becco petentem per Walterum de Swynecumbe positum loco suo ad lucrandum vel perdendum et Benedictum de Blakeham tenentem de uno mesuagio et una carucata terre cum pertinenciis exceptis septem acris terre in North Blakeham unde recognicio magne assise summonita fuit inter eos in eadem curia scilicet quod predictus Benedictus recognovit predictum mesuagium et predictam carucata[m] terre cum pertinenciis exceptis predictis septem acris terre esse jus ipsius abbatis et ecclesie sue de Becco et illa ei reddidit in eadem curia et remisit et quietum clamavit de se et heredibus suis predicto abbati et successoribus suis et ecclesie sue predictae imperpetuum Et pro hac recognicione reddicione remissione quietaclamacione fine et concordia idem abbas dedit predicto Benedicto tres centum libras sterlingorum

l. m

Grant by Ranulf Chaunteben, son of Baldwin Chaunteben, to Geoffrey Rous of Ipswich, for his homage and service and 5g silver, of a piece of land in Blakenham on the water. Rent <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. 1263.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Ranulfus Chaunteben filius Baldwini Chaunteben ...<sup>1</sup> confirmavi Galfrido Ruffo de Gypuico pro homagio et servicio suo et pro quinque solidis ar[genti] ... peciam terre mee cum pertinenciis

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in villa de Blakeham super aquam jacentem in campo qui  
 v[ocatur] ...<sup>1</sup>. Walteri Frenefot ex parte aquilonis et  
 terram Thome de Wrotham ex parte australi cuj[us] ...  
 abatis de Becco versus occidentem et aliud capud habutat  
 super terram domini ... Habendam et tenendam de me et  
 heredibus meis dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel suis  
 as[signatis] ... cuicumque et quodocumque illam dare  
 vendere legare vel asingnare voluerit tam ... quiete  
 bene, in pace in feodo et hereditarie Reddendo inde  
 annuatim michi et heredibus ... sui asingnati unum  
 obolum ad unum terminum anni videlicet ad Pasca pro omnibus  
 s[erviciis] ... accionibus et secularibus demandis

Et ego dictus Renulfus et heredes mei wara[ntizabimus]  
 ... [predic]tam peciam terre cum pertinenciis dicto Galfrido  
 et heredibus suis vel suis asingnatis et ... contra omnes  
 gentes inperpetuum Et ut ista concessio et presentis  
 carte ... [sta]bilis huic presenti scripto sigillum meum  
 aposui Hiis testibus

Adam le Br[eton] .....done Eustacio Hylt  
 Brieno le Bret' Galfrido Hayl Stephano Tepek'  
 War..... Brien Galfrido de le  
 Wodehus et multis aliis

Actum anno domini m<sup>o</sup> c<sup>o</sup>c<sup>o</sup> lxiij.....

Seal, round, 37mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag,  
 the right side cracked and partly lost. A device of six  
 ears of corn, spokewise.

† S' ...DU... FIL' BALD'

l. m

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Quitclaim by Thomas Huneman of Beilham to the abbot and monks of Bec of 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ d yearly rent, together with 2d scutage when it shall happen, from seven pieces of arable land in Blakenham; for 3s.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Thomas Huneman de Beilham concessi et hac presenti carta mea quietumclamavi pro me et heredibus meis abbati et monachis de Becco sex denarios et unum quadrantem annui redditus singulis annis inperpetuum percipiendos ad duos terminos anni videlicet ad Natale sancti Johannis Baptiste tres denarios et tres quadrantes et ad festum sancti Michaelis duos denarios et obolum quos Thomas de Bardevile Galfridus Saleman Andreas filius Godwyne terminis predictis mihi reddere consueverunt una cum duobus denariis ad scutagium quando evenerit a predictis Thoma et Galfrido mihi quondam debitis predictis abbati et monachis inperpetuum percipiendos pro septem peciis terre arabilis quas de me in feodo tenuerunt quarum due pecie jacent in campo vocato Acecroft tertia pecia jacet in campo vocato Walebrun quarta pecia jacet in campo vocato Blakenhamdune quinta pecia jacet ad capud terre vocate Marausheved sexta pecia cum pecia prati jacet ad januam Willelmi quondam fullonis de Blankenham septima pecia jacet in campo vocato le Rede in Blakenham

Ita quod nec ego nec aliquis per me seu heredes meos in predictis redditu et terris aliquid jure ullo poterimus vindicare aut clamium apponere Pro hac concessione et hujus carte quieteclamancie confirmacione dederunt mihi predicti abbas et monachi tres solidos premanibus et ad majorem securitatem presenti carte sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus      Roberto Pincerna      Roberto de  
Crakeford      Roberto le Blund      Adam le Bretun      Ricardo  
Fabro      Stephano Tepekin      Briano le Bretun      Johanne de  
Baudreseie      Eustacio Hilt      Isbaud fratre suo et aliis

Seal, round, 35mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
A lily.      \* S' THOME.....

Grant by Stephen the Smith of Beilham to Giles son of Geoffrey of Langedene, for his homage and service and for 10s, of a piece of meadow in Blakenham on the water.

Rent 1d.

April 1269.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Stephanus faber de Beilham concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Egidio filio Galfridi de Langedene pro homagio et servicio suo et pro decem solidis quos mihi dedit in gersumam unam peciam prati mei cum pertinentiis in villa de Blakenham super aquam jacentem inter pratum Willelmi le Hiwe et pratum Nicholai de Stowe abutante uno capite super ripam et altero capite super pasturam abbatis del Bec Habendam et tenendam de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis vel cuicumque et quodocumque dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit libere quiete bene in pace et hereditarie

Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis unum denarium ad festum sancti Michaelis pro omnibus servitiis consuetudinibus sectis curie et demandis secularibus Et ego dictus Stephanus et heredes mei warantizabimus aquietabimus ac defendemus dictam peciam prati cum pertinentiis predicto Egidio et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis et eorum heredibus per predictum servitium contra omnes gentes inperpetuum

In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui Hiis testibus

Thoma de Wantesdene Ricardo Figaz Galfrido de Bosco Willelmo Fin Johanne le Breton Johanne Pik Johanne clerico Eustacio Hilte Johanne filio Isenbaudi et aliis

Actum anno regni regis Henrici tertii 1<sup>o</sup> tertio mense Aprilis

Seal, round, 29mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag. A floral device of four petals with loops between.

S' STFANI FABRI::

l. m

Quitclaim by Stephen the Smith of Blakenham on the water to the abbot and convent of Bec of five acres in Blakenham; for 35g silver.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc presens scriptum visuris vel audituris Stephanus Faber de Blakeham super equam salutem in domino sempiternam                      Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse remisisse et omnino pro me et heredibus meis quietumclamasse in perpetuum abbati de Bek et ejusdem loci conventui et successoribus eorum quinque acras terre in parochia de Blakeham super aquam cum suis pertinenciis jacentes in campo qui vocatur Soperistufth inter terram predictorum abbatis et conventus ex una parte et regiam viam extendentem de Colecestria versus sanctum Edmundum ex altera cujus unum capud abuttat super terram predictorum abbatis et conventus versus aquilonem et aliud capud abutat super semitam que ducit versus Hertisford                      Habendas et tenendas predictis abbati et conventui et successoribus eorum libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditate inperpetuum                      Ita videlicet quod nec ego predictus Stephanus nec heredes mei nec aliquis nomine meo nec per nos in predictis quinque acris cum suis pertinenciis sicut predictum est aliquid juris vel clamei decetero exigere nec clamare poterimus                      Pro hac autem concessione remissione et quietaclamacione dedit mihi predicti abbas et conventus triginta quinque solidos argenti premanibus Et ad majorem securitatem huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui                      Hiis testibus                      Ada de Cleydon

Willelmo le Rii de Akenham	Johanne le Bretun	Johanne
Aunsis	Normarmole Rii	Thoma del Berth
Tudenham	Matheo Tepekin	Alano de la Ty
Ty	Willelmo de la Grene et multis aliis	Hugone de Petro de la

Seal, natural colour wax, on doubled tag, fragmentary. A device of ears of corn in a square with diagonals.

Grant in frankalmoign by Robert the Smith of Blakenham to Laurence the Chaplain of Blakenham of half an acre, for giving thence to God and the altar of the church of the Blessed Mary of North Blakenham 3d at Michaelmas yearly for his soul and the souls of his wives Maud and Margaret and all his ancestors and successors and all the faithful.

Notum sit omnibus sancte matris ecclesie filiis quod ego Robertus Faber de Blakeham concessi et dedi Laurentio capellano de Blakeham in puram et perpetuam elemosinam dimidiam aeram terre que vocatur Bothelihalvaker que jacet in campo qui vocatur Henep lond illi scilicet et cuicumque illam dare et assignare voluerit jure hereditario tenendam

Faciendo inde in puram et perpetuam elemosinam deo et sancto altari sancte ecclesie beate Marie de Nort Blakeham tres denarios pro salute anime mee et pro salute animarum uxorum mearum Matildis et Margarete et pro salute animarum antecessorum et successorum nostrorum et omnium fidelium in die sancti Michaelis annuatim Et ut hec mea predicta elemosina predicto Laurentio capellano et quibuscumque predictam terram dabit habendam et tenendam per prefatum servicium cum hac mea concessione et donatione rata sit et firma et inperpetuum stabilis hanc cartam meam sigilli mei munimine corroboravi Testibus

Benedicto de Blakeham Huberto de Bromford  
 Bartholomeo de Beillam Toma Albo Jacobo Johanne  
 fratribus ejus Warino Testard Willelmo filio ejus  
 Galfrido de Blak' Baldewino Rogero filiis ejus Hugone  
 de Blakeham capellano Galfrido de Blak' diacono Ricardo  
 filio Benedicti et multis aliis clericis et laicis

Seal, round, 40mm, natural colour wax, on tongue, somewhat worn. A Latin cross.

...ROB'TI DE BLAKE.A.

l. m

Grant by Henry de Caudesheye to Robert del Dufhus and Alice his wife for her life and the heirs of the said Robert or to whomever they shall assign the same, of a piece of meadow in the meadow called Brademedwe in Blakenham, for their service and for a mark silver. Rent to the chief lord of the fee, viz. the abbot of Bec, ld, and to the grantor a clove.

Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego Henrycus de Caudesheye de Blakenham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Roberto del Dufhus et Alicie uxori sue in tota vita ipsius Alicie et heredibus predicti Roberti vel suis assignatis pro servicio suo et pro una marca argenti quam mihi dedit premanibus in gersumam unam peciam prati cum suis pertinenciis jacentem in prato vocato Brademedwe in villa predicta inter pratum Semanni Segrym ex una parte et pratum Nicolai filii presbiteri quondam ex altera parte unde unum capud abuttat super magnam rypam et aliud capud super pasturam domini abbatis de Becko Habendam et tenendam de me et heredibus meis predictis Roberto et Alicie uxori sue in tota vita ipsius Alicie et heredibus predicti Roberti vel suis assignatis vel cuicumque vel quodcumque dictam peciam prati cum suis pertinenciis dare legare vendere vel aliquo modo assignare voluerit libere quiete bene et in pace in feodo et hereditarie in perpetuum Reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino feodi illius videlicet domino abbati de Becko ad festum Sancti Michaelis unum denarium et mihi et heredibus meis ad natale domini unum granum garioffili pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus auxiliis tallagiis curiarum sectis et demandis secularibus una cum wardis relevis excaetis et aliis rebus omnibus que ratione predicti prati exigii possunt inperpetuum Et ego predictus Henricus et heredes mei warantizabimus acquietabimus et in omnibus defendemus predictam peciam prati cum suis pertinenciis predictis Roberto et Alicie uxori sue in tota vita ipsius Alicie et heredibus predicti

predicti Roberti vel suis assignatis per predictum servicium  
contra omnes gentes Christianos et Judeos inperpetuum

In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum  
apposui

	Hiis testibus	Johanne le Bretun
Johanne de Lechemere	Petro de Campo	Gilberto de Cruce
Warino de Cruce	Eustacio Hylte	Adam de Aula
Ricardo Figaz	Ricardo Sprot	Thoma del Bereth
Hugone de Tudenham	Thoma Parys et multis aliis	

Seal, round, 37mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
An elaborate lily.

† S' HENRICI DE CAUDES..

l. m

10

Grant by James son of Robert Cook of Blakenham to  
Geoffrey Hous of Ipswich, for his service and 20s, of three  
pieces of land in Blakenham on the water. Rent 6d.

March 1270

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Jacobus filius Roberti  
Coci de Blakenham concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea  
confirmavi Galfrido Ruffo de Gypp' pro homagio et servicio  
suo et pro viginti solidis quos mihi dedit in gersumam tres  
pecias terre mee cum pertinentiis in Blakenham super aquam  
pariter jacentes inter terram Ade filii Stephani Tepekin ex  
una parte et terram meam ex altera et abuttant ad unum caput  
versus occidentem super terram predicti Ade Tepekin et ad  
aliud caput super viam regiam versus orientem

Habendas et tenendas de me et heredibus meis illi et  
heredibus suis vel assignatis libere quiete bene in pace et  
hereditarie et cuicumque et quandocumque dare vendere legare  
vel assignare voluerit in quocumque statu fuerit

Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis sex denarios  
ad duos terminos anni videlicet ad festum sancti Michaelis

tres

tres denarios et ad Paschatres denarios pro omnibus servitiis  
 consuetudinibus sectis curie et demandis secularibus  
 Et ego dictus Jacobus et heredes mei warantizabimus  
 aquietabimus ac defendemus predictas tres pecias terre cum  
 pertinentiis predicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel suis  
 assignatis per predictum servitium contra omnes gentes  
 inperpetuum In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto  
 sigillum meum apposui Hiis testibus Adam de Aula  
 Roberto de Cracford Baldewino Brien Elya de Mokedone  
 Nicholao filio presbiteri Symone Ligor Waltero del Hel  
 et aliis

Actum anno regni regis Henrici tercii 1.º quarto mense  
 Martii

Seal, round, 28mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
 A floral device of six large and six small petals.

\* S' JACOBI COCI D' BL'

l. m

Grant in frankalmoin by Benedict son of Thomas de  
 Blakeham, Knight, to the church of the Blessed Mary of Bec,  
 of all the land and rent he has in Blakenham on the water and  
 in the vills of the hundreds of Bosemere and Cleydone. The  
 monks have received him and his heirs into their fraternity  
 and made them participants of all their prayers and  
 benefactions and have paid 100 marks sterling.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Benedictus filius  
 Thome de Blakeham miles dedi et concessi et hac presenti  
 carta mea confirmavi deo et ecclesie beate Marie de Becco  
 Herlewyni et monachis ibidem deo servientibus in puram et  
 perpetuam elemosinam totam terram et redditum quam habui vel  
 habere potui in villa seu parochia de Blakeham super aquam et  
 in villis de hundredis Bosemere et Cleydone tam de feodo

dictorum

dictorum monachorum quam de feodo cujuscumque alterius cum omnibus suis pertinenciis tam in pratis pascuis et pasturis quam in boscis virgultis aquis piscariis molendinis viis semitis et cum omnibus aliis pertinenciis et cum omnibus escaetis homagiis serviciis fidelitatibus wardis relevis et omnibus aliis escaetis et juribus que ad me vel ad heredes meos in dicta villa de Blakeham et in dictis villis hundredorum aliquo casu vel jure possent evenire vel pertinere sine aliquo retenemento mei vel heredum meorum Habendam et tenendam inperpetuum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam quiete et libere pro me et heredibus meis ab omnibus sectis curie et omni demanda seculari exaccione Et ego supradictus Benedictus et heredes mei predictam terram et redditum cum omnibus suis pertinenciis et omnibus suis escaetis contra omnes homines et feminas non solum Christianos immo eciam Judeos predictis monachis warantizabimus adquietabimus et defendemus Pro hac autem dacione et concessione et eciam confirmacione necnon warantizacione adquietacione et defensione receperunt me et heredes meos dicti monachi in fraternitatem suam et participes nos fecerunt omnium orationum et benefactorum suorum et dederunt michi premanibus centum marcas sterlingorum de bonis domus sue antedictae Ut autem hec donacio et concessio et confirmacio robur optineat firmitatis presentem cartam sigilli mei munimine roboravi Testibus hiis

Domino Johanne le Lowetot      Domino Ricardo de Holebroc  
 Domino Rogero Lowedye militibus      Roberto de Crakeford  
 Waltero de Sanford      Roberto de Stapelgate et multis aliis

Seal, rounded oval, 30mm by 25mm, green wax, on doubled tag. The impression concave, from an ancient gem. A seated figure with lance in hand, a lion, a smaller figure.

† S/ BENEDICTI DE BLAKEHAM



A duplicate of the foregoing, omitting the references to the hundreds of Bosemere and Cleydon.

Seal as on foregoing, but much of the right side is missing.

+ S' .....E BLAKENHAM

[This and the previous deed have been tied together at the Seal tags]

l. m

Another copy of the same, with the same omissions.

Seal, the same, natural colour wax, good condition, the legend complete.

l. m

Quitclaim by master John de Mukedon to the abbot and monks of Bec of all his right in the whole tenement he once held from the abbot in Blakenham on the water, except the land that was sometime Solomon Gin's.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego magister Johannes de Mukedon concessi et omnino quietum clamavi pro me et heredibus meis abbati de Becco et monachis suis ibidem deo servientibus et eorum sucesoribus totum jus et clamium quod habui vel habere potero in toto tenemento cum pertinentiis quod aliquando tenui de dicto abbate in villa de Blakeham super aquam et alibi scilicet sicut in mesuagiis cum edificiis terris arrabili- bus pratis pasturis viis semitis homagiis redditibus releviis eschaetis et aliis pertinentiis ad dictum tenementum pertinentibus excepta illa terra que fuit quondam Salemanni Gin in eadem villa Ita tamen quod nec ego nec heredes mei nec aliquis nomine meo in toto predicto tenemento cum pertinentiis decetero exigere vel vendicare poterimus

In

cujus

cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum  
apposui

Hiis testibus

Roberto de Cleidon	Roberto de Cleidon filio Blandewini
de Crakeford	Serlone de Neuton
	Johanne de Lechemere
Gilberto de Cruce	Briano Hail
	Rogero de Scrubelund
Johanne Gabien	Petro de la Ty
	Petro le Ruc'
Galfrido filio Norman	Bartholomeo de Marisco et aliis

Seal, pointed oval, 34mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag. Head and shoulders of a cleric in profile, looking to the right.

\* S' JOH̄IS D' BLAK' CLERICI.

[An unusual seal].

l. m.

Grant by John le King of Blakenham to Geoffrey Smith of Ipswich, for his homage and service and 20s silver, of two pieces of land in Blakenham. Rent a clove and, to the chief lord of the fee viz. William Toroinne, 4d.

Sciatis presentes et futuri quod ego Johannes le King de Blakehaym concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Galfrido Fabro de Gipewyc' pro homagio et servicio suo et pro viginti solidis argenti quos mihi dedit in gersumam duas pecias terre mee cum pertinentiis in villa de Blakehaym que jacent in campo qui vocatur Osmundisdene quarum una pecia jacet inter terram dicti Galfridi ex una parte et terram de aula de Blakehaym et Uphallelond ex altera et unum capud habuttat super terram Thome de Bardewile versus aquilonem et aliud capud super terram de aula de Blakehaym versus austrum, secunda pecia terre jacet inter terram dicti Galfridi ex una parte et terram Randulfi Chantebeyn ex altera et unum capud habuttat super terram de aula de Blakehaym versus austrum et aliud capud habuttat super terram Elie de Mokedone versus aquilonem

Habendas

Habendas et tenendas de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis sive asingnatis cuicumque vel quandocumque vendere dare legare vel asingnare voluerit libere quiete bene et in pace in feodo et hereditate Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis unum clavum gariofili ad Passca et capitali domino feodi scilicet Willelmo Toroinne quatuor denarios ad duos anni terminos scilicet ad Passca duos denarios et ad festum sancti Michaelis duos denarios pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus et demandis secularibus et sectis curiarum Et ego dictus Johannes et heredes mei dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis sive asingnatis predictas duas pecias terre cum pertinentiis per predictum servitium warantizabimus aquietabimus et defendemus contra omnes homines et feminas In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti carte sigillum meum apposui Hiis testibus Adam de Aula de Cleidone Roberto de Cracforde Roberto Hert Adam Tepekin Waltero de Latertre Petro de Campo Elia de Mokedene et aliis

Seal, pointed oval, 37mm, dark green wax, on doubled tag.  
A starfish of five limbs.

† S' ANNES UXOR EJUS (?).

l. m

Grant by Roger son of Nicholas de Stowe to Geoffrey Ruffus of Ipswich, for his homage and service and for 3s silver, of a piece of arable with a pasture pertaining in the parish of Blakenham. Rent 1d.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Rogerus filius Nicholai de Stowe concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Galfrido Ruffo de Gypuyco pro homagio et servicio suo et pro tribus solidis argenti quos mihi dedit in gersumam unam peciam terre mee cum pertinenciis et pastura que pertinent (sic) ad illam terram et jacet in parochia de Blakenham

Blakenham scilicet super ripam inter terram que condam fuit Galfridi Cuckuc ex parte australi et inter viam verticem ex parte aquilonali cujus unum capud abuttat super viam regalem versus occidentem et aliud capud super terram que pertinet ad ecclesiam de Blakenham versus orientem Habendam et tenendam de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis et cuicumque vel quodocumque illam terram dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit libere quiete bene et in pace in feodo et hereditate Reddendo inde annuatim michi et heredibus meis vel assignatis unum denarium ad duos anni terminos videlicet ad festum sancti Michaelis unum obolum et ad Pascha unum obolum pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus exaccionibus sectis curiarum et secularibus demandis Et ego Rogerus predictus de Stowe et heredes mei warantizabimus aquietabimus et defendemus dictam terram cum pertinenciis dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel assignatis per predictum servicium contra omnes homines tam Judeos quam Christianos in perpetuum Et ut hec mea concessio donacio warantizacio et carte mee confirmacio rata permaneat et stabilis in cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus Adam de Aula Roberto de Cleydune  
 Roberto de Crakeford Eliot de Mukedune Roberto Hert  
 Petro de Campo et multis aliis

Seal, pointed oval, 31mm, brownish red wax, on doubled tag. A lily.

S' ROGERI D' STOWE

l. m

Grant by Thomas le Bardevile of Blakenham on the water to the abbot of Bec of a piece of land in Blakenham. Jordan, servant of the abbot, has given two pieces of land in exchange.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Thomas le Bardevile de Blakeham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi abbati de Becko et monachis suis et omnibus ibidem de eo successoribus unam peciam terre mee arabilis cum pertinenciis in villa de Blakeh' super aquam jacentem in occidentali parte de le Merselattones apud le Uphalle inter terram dicti abbatis ex parte australi et terram Rogeri Benait habutat super terram dictam ex parte aquilonis et ad utrumque caput abutat super terram dicti abbatis Habendam et tenendam dictam peciam terre sibi et assignatis suis libere quiete et in pace et sine aliquo inde faciundo

Et ego dictus Thomas et heredes mei vel assignati mei warantizabimus acquietabimus et defendemus dictam peciam terre cum omnibus pertinenciis suis dicto abbati et monachis suis et assignatis suis et heredibus assignatorum contra omnes mortales imperpetuum Pro hac autem concessione donacione carte meeque confirmacione dedit mihi Jordanus serviens dicti abbatis duas pecias terre in excambio que jacent in campo de Wet Croft sicut in carta mea excambionis continetur

In hujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum apposui  
 Hiis testibus Roberto del Duffus  
 Ada de Cleidune Sellone de Neuueton Roberto de Crakeford  
 Rogero de Srublund Johanne de Lechemere Petro de  
 Campo Willelmo Thoke et aliis multis

Seal, round, 36mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
 A floral device of eight petals.

† S' THOME DE BARDEVILE

Grant by Adam de Caudesham to Robert, son of the late John Cook, for his homage and service and 5s of a piece of arable and a piece of pasture in North Blakenham. Rent 16d, for all secular services save the recognition of a new abbot of Bec when he first comes to the town of Blakenham, when he is to defend the said pieces according to their extent.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Adam de Caudesham concessi et dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Roberto filio quondam Johannis Coci pro homagio et servicio suo et pro quinque solidis sterlingorum quos mihi dedit in gersumam unam peciam terre mee et unam peciam pasture cum omnibus pertinenciis suis in villa de North Blakeh' jacentes inter terram Benedicti Gin molendinarii et terram Benedicti Prudfot et abutat unum capud super terram Marine de Camera et aliud capud abutat super pratum Radulfi presbiteri quod vocatur Hoxemedwe Tenendas et habendas de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis siu suis assignatis siu heredibus eorum libere et quiete bene in pace Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis ille et heredes sui siu sui assignati vel heredes eorum sexdecim denarios pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus et demandis scilicet ad duos terminos per annum scilicet ad festum sancti Michaelis octo denarios et ad Pascha octo denarios pro omnibus seculariis serviciis salva recognicione novi abbatis de Becco cum primo venerit in villam de Blakeh' tunc defendendo predictam peciam terre et pasture quantum ad tantum terre pertinuerit in eadem villa de Blakeh' Et ego predictus Adam et heredes mei warentizabimus predictam terram et pasturam cum omnibus pertinenciis suis predicto Roberto et heredibus suis siu suis assignatis vel heredibus eorum vel cuicumque quandocumque ubicumque illam terram et pasturam dare vendere assignare siu legare voluerit excepta domo religionis contra omnes homines et feminas Hiis testibus Augustino de Blakeh'

Rogero

Rogero filio suo      Willelmo de Ri      Johanne de Westh'  
Henrico de Mukedun      Brian Hayl      Roberto Fabro  
Galfrido Justin      Stephano de Cruce      Nicholao filio  
presbiteri et multis aliis

Seal, round, 36mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag,  
much worn and a good deal of the right side missing. A  
floral device of eight petals. A legend. l. m

Grant by Robert Toroyne of Blakenham to Geoffrey Ruffus  
of Ipswich for his homage and service and for 10s silver of  
a piece of arable and a piece of meadow in Blakenham.  
Rent 2d.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Robertus Toroyne de  
Blakeham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea  
confirmavi Galfrido Ruffo de Gypuico pro homagio et servicio  
suo et pro decem solidis argenti quos mihi dedit in gersumam  
unam peciam terre mee cum pertinenciis et unam peciam prati  
mei cum pastura et aliis pertinenciis jacentes in villa de  
Blakeham scilicet quod dicta terra jacet in campo que vocatur  
Langhe inter terram ecclesie de dicta Blakeham ex parte  
australi et terram Galfridi Luue ex parte aquilonis habutante  
uno capite super terram aule de Blakeham et alio capite super  
dictum pratum et predictum pratum jacet inter pratum Ranulfi  
Capellani ex parte aquilonis et pratum Baldewini Bryan ex  
parte australi et habutat super ripam de Hertesford

Habendas et tenendas de me et heredibus meis predicto  
Galfrido et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis vel cuicumque  
et quandocumque vel dare vendere legare vel assignare  
voluerit domo religionis excepto libere quiete bene in pace  
in feodo et hereditarie      Reddendo inde annuatim mihi

et heredibus meis duos denarios ad duos anni terminos videlicet  
 ad Pasca unum denarium et ad festum sancti Mikeaelis unum  
 denarium pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus scaetis relevis  
 auxiliis et demandis Et ego predictus Robertus et  
 heredes mei warantizabimus aquietabimus et defendemus predictum  
 tenementum dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel suis assingnatis  
 predictum servicium contra omnes gentes inperpetuum Et  
 ut hec mea concessio donacio et presentis carte mee confirmacio  
 rata sit et stabilis huic presenti scripto sigilli mei  
 inpressionem apponere corroboravi Hiis testibus  
 Roberto de Crakeford Ada de Cleydone Reginaldo de Hout'  
 Rogero de Scureblund Johanne le Bretun Laurencio  
 Gef... Radulfo de Hausaus Nicholao clerico  
 Baldewyno Bryen Petro de Campo Briano Hayl  
 Galfrido Hayl et multis aliis

Seal, pointed oval, 32mm, natural colour wax, on doubled  
 tag, fragmentary. A lily. l. m

Grant by Geoffrey del Ok and Robert de Hershawe<sup>1.</sup> to the  
 abbot and convent of Bec, for their service, of 1d yearly rent  
 from Blaise de Mukedon from a piece of meadow in Great  
 Blakenham. Rent a clove.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod nos Galfridus del Ok et  
 Robertus de Hershawe concessimus dedimus et hac presenti  
 carta nostra confirmavimus abbati de Becco et ejusdem loci  
 conventui et eorum successoribus pro servicio eorundem unum  
 denarium anui redditus annuatim percipiendum de Blaseo de  
 Mukedon

1. This name might be read Heeshawe, Hershawe or Horshawe.



Mukedon de una pecia prati jacente inter pratum prioris  
 Eliensis et ripam ex altera ex oposito curie predicti abbatis  
 in magna Blakenham una cum homagiis wardis releviis et excaetis  
 et aliis rebus omnibus que racione predictorum redditus et  
 tenementi nobis excaere poterunt inperpetuum Habendum  
 et tenendum de nobis et heredibus nostris predictis abbati et  
 ejusdem loci conventui et eorum successoribus predictum  
 redditum una cum homagiis wardis releviis et excaetis et  
 omnibus aliis pertinenciis suis ut predictum est inperpetuum  
 et cuicumque vel quandocumque dare vendere legare vel assignare  
 voluerint libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditarie

Reddendo inde annuatim nobis et heredibus nostris  
 unum clavum gariofilii ad Natale domini pro omnibus serviciis  
 consuetudinibus auxiliis tallagiis sectis curiarum homagiis  
 fidelitatibus wardis releviis excaetis et aliis secularibus  
 demandis Et nos predicti Galfridus et Robertus et  
 heredes nostri vel assignati warrantizabimus aquietabimus et  
 defendemus predictum redditum una cum homagiis wardis releviis  
 et excaetis et omnibus aliis pertinenciis suis ut predictum  
 est predictis abbati et ejusdem loci conventui et eorum  
 successoribus ut predictum est in perpetuum

In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigilla  
 nostra apposuimus

Hiis testibus      Ada de Cleydon      Willelmo le Ry de Akenham  
 Roberto del Dufhus      Hugone de Tudenham      Martino Justus  
 Normanno le Ry      Simone Cubaud      Thomas Paris      Galfrido  
 filio Ricardi Fabri et multis aliis

Two Seals, natural colour wax, on doubled tags.

(1) Pointed oval, 35mm. A device of four ears of  
 corn, two long and two short, forming a cross, with four leaves  
 or petals \* S / GALFRIDI: DELHOC

(2) Round, 28mm. A long necked bird, its head turned  
 back.

\* S / ROBERTI H[?OR]SEHOE

Grant by William son of Arnold Chauntebien of Blakenham on the water to Geoffrey Rous of Ipswich, for his homage and service and 4s. of a piece of land in Blakenham. Rent 3d.

January 1271.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willelmus filius  
 Arnoldi Chauntebien de Bla<sup>ñ</sup>ham super aquam concessi dedi et  
 hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Galfrido Ruffo de Gypp'  
 pro homagio et servitio suo et pro quatuor solidis quos mihi  
 dedit in gersumam unam peciam terre mee cum pertinentiis in  
 eadem villa jacentem in campo qui vocatur Ourebraiecroft inter  
 terram Laurentii Chauntebien et terram que fuit Baldewini  
 molendinarii abutante uno capite versus occidentem super  
 terram abbatis del Bec et alio capite versus orientem super  
 terram que fuit Arnoldi Chauntebien patris mei Habendam  
 et tenendam de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis vel  
 assignatis et cuicumque et quandocumque dare vendere legare  
 vel assignare voluerit libere quiete bene in pace et  
 hereditarie Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus  
 meis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus servitiis  
 consuetudinibus sectis curie et demandis secularibus Et  
 ego dictus Willelmus et heredes mei warantizabimus aquietabimus  
 ac defendemus predictam peciam terre cum pertinentiis predicto  
 Galfrido et heredibus suis vel assignatis per predictum  
 servitium contra omnes gentes inperpetuum In cujus  
 rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui  
 Hiis testibus Thome de Wantesdene Adam de Aula  
 Roberto de Cleydone Roberto de Cracford  
 Petro de Campo Roberto Hert Waltero del Hel et aliis  
 Actum anno regni regis Henrici tertii 1<sup>o</sup> quinto mense  
 Januarii

Doubled tag for Seal, which is missing.

l. m

Grant by William son of Arnold Chauntebien of Blakenham on the water to Geoffrey Rous of Ipswich, for his homage and service and 3s, of two pieces of land in Blakenham. Rent  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.  
March 1271.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willelmus filius Arnoldi Chauntebien de Blaŕham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Galfrido Ruffo de Gypp<sup>1</sup> pro homagio et servitio suo et pro tribus solidis quos mihi dedit in gersumam duas pecias terre mee cum pertinentiis in villa de Blaŕham super aquam quarum una pecia terre jacet super Wlvesdonehal inter terram Rogeri Beneit et terram Ranulfi Chauntebien et alia pecia jacet in Farlond inter terram dicti Ranulfi et terram que fuit Arnoldi Chauntebien

Habendas et tenendas de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis vel assignatis et cuicumque et quandocumque dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit libere quiete bene in pace et hereditarie Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus servitiis consuetudinibus sectis curie et demandis secularibus

Et ego dictus Willelmus et heredes mei warantizabimus aquietabimus ac defendemus predictas pecias terre cum pertinentiis predicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel assignatis per predictum servitium contra omnes gentes inperpetuum

In cujus rei testimonium presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui  
 Hiis testibus Adam de Aula Thoma de  
 Wantesdene Roberto de Cracford Roberto de Cleidone  
 Willelmo Ry Ricardo Algor Roberto Hert  
 Petro de Campo et aliis

Actum anno regni regis Henrici tertii 1<sup>o</sup> quinto mense  
 Mar[t]ii

Seal, pointed oval, 36mm, green wax, on doubled tag.

A lily.

† S' WILLI SCH'EBE

l. m

Grant by William Chanteben of Blakenham to Gile Howe  
of Baylham of three pieces of land in Blakenham, for 4s.  
Rent 1d.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willelmus Chanteben  
de Blakenham dedi concessi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi  
Gile Howe de Beylham tres pecias terre mee in willa de  
Blakeham jacentes quarum una pecia jacet juxta terram Ranulfi  
Chanteben et abutat uno capite super terram Andree de Langeden  
et alio capite super terram Galfridi Howe alia pecia jacet  
inter terram Johannis Mercatoris et terram Galfridi de Rede  
et habutat uno capite super terram aule de Blakeham alio  
capite super terram Ranulfi Chanteben alia pecia jacet inter  
terram Nicholay filii Steffani Molendinarii et terram Ranulfi  
Chanteben et habutat uno capite super terram aule de Blakenham  
alio capite super terram Thome de Freston Habendas  
et tenendas dictas pecias terre de me et heredibus meis vel  
meis assignatis illi et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis  
libere quiete in feodo et hereditarie cuicumque vel  
quibuscumque et in quocumque tempore dictas pecias terre  
dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit Reddendo  
inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis vel meis assignatis  
ille et heredes sui vel sui assignati unum denarium videlicet  
ad Pascha pro omnibus cervisiis consuetudinibus sectis curie  
et aliis secularibus demandis

Et ego dictus Willelmus Chanteben et heredes mei vel mei  
assignati dicto Gile et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis  
dictas pecias terre per predictum cervisium warantizabimus  
aquietabimus defendemus contra omnes homines et feminas  
inperpetuum

Pro hac autem donacione concessione et hac presenti carte  
mee confirmacione dictus Gile dedit mihi quatuor solidos in  
gersumam In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti

scripto

scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus

Johanne Bretun	Eustacio Hilt	Johanne de Lechemer
Johanne Ysenbolt	Gileberto de Cruce	Andrea de Cruce
Jacobo de Hunlierd	et multis aliis	

Seal, round, 28mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
Floral device of eight petals.

\* S' WILL' CHUNTEBE'

l. m.

Quitclaim by Robert Chaunteben of Blakenham on the water to the abbot and convent of Bec of all his tenement in Blakenham and Baylham, for 18s silver.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc presens scriptum visuris vel audituris Robertus Chaunteben de Blakeham super aquam salutem in domino sempiternam Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse remisisse et omnino pro me et heredibus meis quietumclamasse in perpetuum abbati de Becco et ejusdem loci conventui et successoribus eorum totum tenementum meum quod habui in parochia de Blakeham super aquam et de Beylham cum omnibus redditibus ad dictum tenementum pertinentibus sine ullo retenemento

Habendum et tenendum predictis abbati et conventui et successoribus eorum libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditate Ita videlicet quod nec ego predictus Robertus nec heredes mei nec aliquis nomine meo nec per nos aliquid juris vel clamei in predicto tenemento cum omnibus redditibus sicut predictum est decetero exigere nec clamare poterimus

Pro hac autem concessione remissione et quietaclamacione dedit mihi predictus abbas et conventus octodecim solidos argenti premanibus Et ad majorem securitatem huic

presenti

presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui Hiis testibus  
 Ada de Aula Johanne Aunsys Normanno le Ry  
 Thoma del Berth Hugone de Tudeham Matheo Tepekin  
 Petro de la Tey Petro filio suo Willelmo de la  
 Grene et multis aliis

Seal, round, 24mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
 A device of five ears of corn, spokewise.

S<sup>r</sup> ROBERTI SCHA/T[?].

l. m

Quitclaim by Agnes, relict of Ranulph Schanteben, to the  
 abbey of Bec of all her right, in the name of dowry, in the  
 whole tenement in Blakenham which the said Ranulph sold to the  
 abbey; for 16<sup>d</sup> silver.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc presens scriptum visuris  
 vel auditoris Agnes relicta quondam Ranulphi Schanteben de  
 Blakeham super aquam salutem in domino sempiternam  
 Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et omnino pro me  
 et heredibus meis in propria viduitate mea quietum clamasse  
 abbati de Becco et ejusdem loci conventui et successoribus  
 eorum totum jus et clamium quod habui vel aliquo modo habere  
 potui nomine dotis in toto tenemento quod quondam predictus  
 Ranulphus maritus meus vendidit predicto abbati in parochia  
 de Blakeham super aquam Ita videlicet quod nec ego  
 predicta Agnes nec heredes mei nec aliquis nomine meo nec  
 per nos in predicto tenemento cum suis pertinenciis sicut  
 predictum est aliquid juris vel clamei decetero exigere  
 capere vel vendicare poterimus Pro hac autem  
 concessione et quietaclamacione dedit mihi predictus abbas  
 et conventus sexdecim denarios argenti premanibus In  
 cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum  
 apposui Hiis testibus Ada de Cleydone

Willelmo

Willelmo le Ry de Akenham      Roberto del Dufhus  
 Johanne Aunsys      Normanno le Ry      Thoma de Bereth  
 Hugone de Tudenham      Matheo Tepekin      Willelmo de la  
 Grene      Alano de la Ty et multis aliis

Seal, round, 26mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
 A device of five ears of corn, spokewise.

S' ANGNETE ...IS

l. m

Quitclaim , for 6d, by Agnes, relict of Ranulph Chaunteben,  
 of Great Blakenham on the water, to Geoffrey le Rus of Ipswich  
 of all her right in two pieces of land in Blakenham.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Agnes relicta  
 Ranulphi Chaunteben de magna Blakenham super aquam concessi  
 remis et omnino quietum clamavi pro me inperpetuum Galfrido  
 le Rus de Gipp' et heredibus suis et assignatis suis totum  
 jus meum et clamium quod habui vel habere potui nomine dotis  
 in duabus peciis terre cum pertinenciis in villa de Blakenham  
 una pecia terre jacet in campo qui vocatur Wlvesdone scilicet  
 inter terram quondam Arnulphi Chaunteben ex parte aquilonis  
 et terram quondam Petri Chaunteben ex parte australi et alia  
 pecia terre jacet in campo qui vocatur Braycroft inter terram  
 quondam Walteri Irenfot ex parte aquilonis et terram quondam  
 Thome de Wrotham ex parte australi

Habendum et tenendum libere quiete hereditarie et in  
 perpetuum absque omni clamio mei quoque modo possit devolvi

Pro hac autem concessione remissione et quietaclamacia  
 predictus Galfridus dedit mihi sex denarios premanibus  
 In cufus rei testimonium huic scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus      Adam de Cleydon      Roberto del Duffus  
 Thoma de Bereu      Normanno le Ry      Waltero del Hil  
 Petro de Campo et aliis

Seal, round, 16mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
A device of five ears of corn, spokewise.

S' ANGNETE [?W]LRIS:

l. m

Quitclaim by Andrew son of Thomas Schanteben of Blakenham  
on the water to the abbot of Bec of all his tenement in  
Blakenham, for 50g silver.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc presens scriptum visuris  
vel audituris Andreas filius Thome Schanteben de Blakeham  
super aquam salutem in domino sempiternam                      Noverit  
universitas vestra me concessisse et omnino pro me et heredibus  
meis quietumclamasse in perpetuum abbati de Becco et ejusdem  
loci conventui et successoribus eorum totum tenementum meum  
quod habui vel aliquo modo habere potui seu potero in parochia  
de Blakeham super aquam cum suis pertinenciis                      Habendum  
et tenendum predictis abbati et conventui et successoribus  
eorum libere quiete bene in pace in perpetuum                      Ita  
videlicet quod nec ego predictus Andreas nec heredes mei nec  
aliquis nomine meo nec per nos in predicto tenemento cum suis  
pertinenciis sicut predictum est aliquid juris vel clamei  
decetero exigere nec clamare poterimus                      Pro hac autem  
concessione remissione et quietaclamacione dedit michi  
predictus abbas et conventus quinquaginta solidos argenti  
premanibus                      In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti  
scripto sigillum meum apposui                      Hiis testibus  
Ada de Cleydon                      Willelmo le Ry de Akenham                      Roberto del  
Duffus                      Johanne le Bretun                      Johanne Aunsis                      Normanno le  
Ry                      Thoma del Berth                      Hugone de Tudeham                      Matheo Tepekyn  
Alano de la Ty                      Willelmo de la Grene et multis aliis

Doubled tag for Seal which is missing.

l. m



Quitclaim by Robert, son of the late Thomas Chanteben of Blakenham on the water, to the abbot of Bec of half an acre of arable in Blakenham, for 7s silver. 24 February 1274

Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego Robertus filius quondam Thome Chanteben de Blakeham super aquam concessi et omnino quietum clamavi pro me et heredibus meis abbati de Becco et monachis suis ibidem deo successoribus (sic) totum jus meum et clamium quod habui vel habere potero in una dimidia acra terre arabilis cum pertinenciis in dicta villa jacentem in campo que vocatur Farlond inter terram Sennani Segrin ex parte occidentis et terram Thome Chanteben ex parte orientis cujus unum caput habuat versus aquilonem super terram abbatis de Becco et terram meam et aliud caput habuat versus austrum super terram Baldewini Brien quondam Habendam et tenendam libere quiete bene et in pace Ita quod nec ego nec heredes mei nec aliquis per me nec pro me in nomine meo jus nec clamium in predicta dimidia acra terre decetero poterimus exigere nec vendicare nec clamare

Pro hac autem concessione et quieta clamacione dederunt michi dictus abbas et monachi sui septem solidos argenti premanibus Ut hec mea concessio et quieta clamacio rata et stabilis in perpetuum permaneat huic presenti scripto sigilli mei apponere (sic) corroboravi

Hiis testibus Roberto de Cracford Adam de Aula  
 Johanne Clerico Gilberto de Cruce Petro de Campo  
 Waltero de Monte Adam Tepekyn Roberto Bert  
 Galfrido Hwe et multis aliis

Acta in aula de Blakeham in die sancti Mathie anno regni regis Edwardi secundo

Seal, round, 28mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
 A device of four ears of corn, spokewise, with loops between.

\* S/ ROB/TI CHANTEB/

Quitclaim, in her proper widowhood, by Bileholte, relict of the late Thomas Chaunteben, to the abbot of Bec of all her right, in the name of dowry, to a rood and a half of land with a messuage in Blakenham on the water; for a coomb of corn yearly, to wit, a bushel of barley at each quarter.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc presens scriptum visuris vel audituris Bileholte relicta quondam Thome Chaunteben salutem in domino sempiternam . . . . . Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse et omnino pro me et heredibus meis in propria viduitate mea quietum clamasse in perpetuum abbati de Becco et ejusdem loci conventui et successoribus eorum totum jus et clamium quod habui vel aliquo modo habere potui nomine dotis in una roda terre et dimidia roda cum uno messuagio in parochia de Blakeham super aquam cum suis pertinenciis jacenti inter terram Willelmi Chaunteben ex parte una et terram domini abbatis ex altera cujus unum capud habutat super terram Laurentii Carpentarii et aliud capud habutat super viam de Mokedune

Ita videlicet quod nec ego predictus Bileholte nec heredes mei nec aliquis nomine meo nec per nos in predicta roda terre et dimidia cum uno messuagio cum suis pertinenciis sicut predictum est aliquid juris vel clamei decetero exigere nec clamare poterimus . . . . . Pro hac autem concessione et quietaclamacione dedit mihi predictus abbas unam cumbam bladi per annum ad terminum vite mee videlicet ad festum Natalis domini unum bussellum ordeï et ad Pascha unum busellum ordeï et ad Pentecosten unum bussellum ordeï et ad festum sancti Johannis Baptiste unum bussellum ordeï

Et ad majorem securitatem huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui . . . . . Hiis testibus . . . . . Ada de Aula  
 Johanne Aunsys . . . . . Normanno le Ry . . . . . Thoma del Berth  
 Hugone de Tudeham . . . . . Matheo Tepekyn . . . . . Petro de la Ty  
 Petro filio suo . . . . . Willelmo de la Grene et multis aliis

Seal, round, 28mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag, the left side broken away. A flower of four petals.

S[?E/] BILEHO..... l. m

Quitclaim by Thomas son of Brian Ponkel of Little Blakenham and Emma his wife to the abbey of Bec of all their right in a flax-ground in Blakenham on the water. Rent ad to Nicholas son of the Chaplain of Blakenham.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Thomas filius Briani Ponkel de Blakeham parva et Emma uxor mea concessimus et omnino quietum clamavimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris totum jus nostrum et clamium que habuimus vel habere poterimus in uno liniario cum omnibus pertinenciis suis jacens in villa de Blakeham super aquam abbati de Becco et monachis suis ibidem deo successoribus [some words have evidently been left out] et jacet inter liniarium Thome de Bardevile ex parte aquilonis et mariscum dicti abbatis ex parte austri cujus unum capud abutat versus orientem super mariscum dicti abbatis et aliut capud super mesuagium Hugonis Coc

Habendum et tenendum libere quiete et integre Reddendo inde annuatim Nicholao filio capellani de Blakeham super aquam unum quadrans videlicet ad festum sancti Michaelis pro omnibus secularibus demandis

Ita quod nec ego dictus Thomas nec Emma uxor mea nec heredes nostri nec assignati nostri nec aliquis pro nobis nec per nos nec nomine nostro jus nec clamium in predicto liniario decetero poterimus dare vendicare nec clamiare Pro hac autem concessione nostra et quieta clamacione dedit nobis attornatus dicti abbatis septem solidos et sex denarios argenti premanibus

Et ut hec nostra concessio et quieta clamacio rata et stabilis imperpetuum permaneat huic presenti scripto sigilla nostra apposuimus His testibus Gilberto de Cruce Serlone de Neutone Adam de Aula Rogero de Srublund Warino de Cruce Elya de Mukedune Petro de Campo Willelmo Thoke Waltero del Hel et aliis multis

Two Seals, pointed oval, natural colour wax, on doubled tags.

- (1) 33mm. A floral device. \* ...OME FIL' BRIANI..  
 (2) 31mm. A similar device. \* S' EMME BARBE

Grant by Nicholas, son of the late Geoffrey the chaplain of Blakenham on the water, to Geoffrey le Rus of Ipswich, for his homage and service and a mark silver, of a piece of land with a pasture at Hertesford in Blakenham. Rent to the abbot of Bec 5d and to the donor a clove.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Necolaus filius quondam Galfridi capellani de Blackeham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Galfrido le Rus de Gipuico pro homagio et servissio suo et pro una marca argenti quam michi dedit in gersumam unam peciam terre mee cum pastura apud Hertesford in villa de Blackeham super aquam que jacet inter pasturas Roberti Medici ex parte boriali et pasturam que quondam fuit Benedicti Gin ex parte australi cujus unum caput abuttat super terram domini abbatis de Becco et super pasturam Roberti Guleman versus occidentem et aliut caput abuttat versus orientem super pratum domini Benedicti de Blackeham et super pratum Villelmi Toroyne et super pratum predicti Galfridi Habendam et tenendam de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus suis et cuicumque et quandocumque illam dare vendere legare vel asingnare voluerit libere quiete bene pacifice et hereditarie

Reddendo inde annuatim domino abbato (sic) de Becco quinque denarios ad duos terminos anni scilicet ad festum sancti Michaelis duos denarios et obolum et at (sic) Pasca duos denarios et obolum et michi predicto Necolao unum clavum gariofili propter warantizacionem pro homnibus servissis consuetudinibus et secularibus demandis

Et ego dictus Necolaus et heredes mei warantizabimus aquietabimus ac defendemus dictum tenementum dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis per predictum servissium contra homnes gentes inperpetuum

In cujus rei testimonium huic scripto sigillum meum apposui

His testibus

Adam de Aula      Roberto de Cracford      Thoma de la Brhit  
Galfrido Luye      Johanne clerico      Adam Tebekin  
Waltero de Monte      Hugone Aurifabro et multis aliis

Seal, round, 36mm, green wax, on doubled tag, the lower part broken away. A lily.

S / NICHOL .....LEFRIDI

l. m

Quitclaim by William son of Robert Baldewin of Claydon to the abbot and monks of Bec of all his right in half an acre of meadow in Blakenham on the water, for one mark silver which has been paid by Jordan, attorney of the abbot. Blakenham, 8 March 1274.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willelmus filius Roberti Baldewini de Cleydone concessi et omnino quietum clamavi pro me et heredibus meis domino abbati de Becco et monachis suis ibidem deo servientibus totum jus meum et clamium [et clamium repeated] quod habui vel habere potero nomine hereditatis totum jus meum et clamium eciam in una dimidia acra prati in villa de Blakeham super aquam jacente in longitudine in prato vocato Brademedwe inter pratum Johannis Wigge orientis et pratum quod Helelewys relicta patris mei tenet nomine dotis ex parte occidentis et uno capite habutante versus austrum super pasturam domini abbatis de Becco et alio capite versus aquilone [sic] super pratum Galfridi Luue

Habendum et tenendum ita quod nec ego dictus Willelmus nec heredes mei nec aliquis per me nec pro me nec nomine meo jus nec clamium in dicta acra prati poterimus dare vendere nec clamiare

Pro hac autem concessione et quieta clamacione dedit michi Jordanus attornatus abbatis dicti de Becco unam marcam argenti premanibus Et ut mea concessio et quietaclamacio rata et stabilis inperpetuum permaneat huic presenti scripto sigilli mei impressione apponere corroboravi

Hiis testibus Adam de Cleydone Roberto de Cracfor Thoma del Berth Johanne le Breton Johanne de Lechemere Gylberto

Gylberto de Cruce      Elya de Mukedune      Petro de Campo  
Waltero de Monte et multis aliis

Acta apud Blakeham super aquam die sancti Felicis anno  
regni regis Edwardi filii regis Henrici secundo

Seal, round, 28mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
A floral device of five petals.

\* S' WILL' D' CLEIDUNE

l. m

Grant by Ranulph Chanteben of Blakenham on the water to  
Ralph the Chaplain of Blakenham, for his homage and service  
and 10s silver, of his croft. Rent 2d. 19 May 1274.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Ranulphus Chanteben de  
Blakeham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea  
confirmavi Radulpho capellano de dicta Blakeham pro homagio et  
servicio suo et pro decem solidis argenti quos michi dedit in  
gersumam Croftum meum sicut continetur jacentem inter terram  
abbatis ex parte orientis et terram quondam Arnulphi Chanteben  
ex parte occidentis et uno capite habutante super mesuagium  
meum versus aquilonem et alio capite habutante super diversas  
pecias terre versus austrum      Habendum et tenendum dictum  
croftum de me et heredibus meis dicto Ranulpho et heredibus suis  
et cuicumque vel quandocumque dictum croftum sicut dictum est  
dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit libere quiete bene  
pacifice et hereditarie      Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et  
heredibus meis ille et heredes sui duos denarios ad duos anni  
terminos scilicet ad festum sancti Michaelis unum denarium et ad  
Pascha unum denarium pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus sectis  
curie et pro omnibus aliis secularibus demandis      Et ego  
predictus Ranulphus et heredes mei vel assignati mei  
warantizabimus aquietabimus et in omnibus defendemus predictum  
croftum integre cum omnibus pertinenciis dicto Radulpho et  
heredibus

heredibus suis vel suis assignatis et eorum heredibus per predictum  
servicium liberum sicut predictum est contra omnes mortales  
imperpetuum

In hujus rey testimonium huic presenti  
scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus

Thoma del Berth	Thoma Parys	Johanne le Bret
Thoma de Bardevile	Petro de Campo	Thoma del Howe
Waltero de Monte	Roberto Hert	Ada Tepekyn et multis aliis

Actum apud Blakeham magna in vigilia Pentecosten anno regni  
regis Edwardi secundo

Seal, round, 34mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.

A floral device of six petals.

† S/ RANULFI FIL/ BALD/

l. m

Grant by Robert Hert of Blakenham to Geoffrey le Rus, of  
Ipswich, for his homage and service and 15s silver, of all his  
part in a piece of arable and two pieces of meadow in Blakenham,  
which were formerly given in marriage with Alice, the grantor's  
sister. Rent 2<sup>d</sup>. On the feast of St. Francis 1276.

Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego Robertus Hert de  
Blakeham concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi  
Galfrido le Rus de Gypwico pro homagio et servicio suo et pro  
quindecim solidis argenti quos mihi dedit in gersumam totam  
partem meam de tribus peciis videlicet in una pecia terre  
arabilis et in duabus peciis prati in villa de Blakeham que  
pecie quondam dabantur in maritagio cum Alicia sorore mea  
quarum due pecie prati jacent in prato de Brademedwe unde una  
pecia jacet inter pratum que vocatur Harwinessvat et pratum que  
se extendit versus aulam de Blakeham cujus unum caput super  
ripam habutat ex parte aquilonis et aliud caput abutat super  
pasturam aule de Blakeham versus austrum et altera pecia jacet  
inter pratum Roberti Guleman et Harlewinesmedue unde unum caput  
habutat

habutat super ripam ex parte orientali et aliud caput habutat  
 super pasturam aule de Blakeham ex parte occidentali et pecia  
 terre jacet inter [illegible] quondam Roberti le Cok ex parte  
 occidentali et terram aule de Blakeham unde unum caput abutat  
 super boscum aule de Blakeham et aliud caput super brocum  
 venientem de Langedoune tendentem versus aulam de Blakeham  
 Habendas et tenendas de me et heredibus meis illi et heredibus  
 suis vel cuicumque et quandocumque aut quo tempore predictas  
 pecias terre et prati cum pertinenciis dare vendere legare vel  
 assignare voluerint libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et  
 hereditate

Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis duos denarios  
 et obolum ad duos anni terminos scilicet ad Pasca unum denarium  
 et quart' et ad festum sancti Michaelis unum denarium et quart'  
 pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus exaccionibus auxiliis  
 sectis curie et aliis secularibus demandis Et ego  
 predictus Robertus et heredes mei warantizabimus acquietabimus  
 et in omnibus defendemus predictas pecias terre et prati cum  
 pertinenciis predicto Galfrido et heredibus vel suis assignatis  
 aut heredibus assignatorum per predictum servicium contra omnes  
 gentes inperpetuum

In eujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum  
 meum apposui Hiis testibus Roberto de Crakford de  
 Cleydone Adam de Aula de eadem Waltero de Monte  
 Petro de Campo Elyas de Mukedone magistro Johanne de  
 Mukedone Adam Gunnild et aliis multis

Actum die sancti Francissi anno domini m<sup>o</sup> cc<sup>o</sup> septuagessimo  
 sexto regni regis Eadwardi quinto

Seal, round, 30mm, green wax, on doubled tag. A stag running  
 from left to right, above a tree.

\* S' ROBERTI: HERT: 1. m



Grant by Elyas de Mukedene to Geoffrey the Red, burgess of Ipswich, for his homage and service and two marks silver, of a piece of land in Blakenham on the water. Rent 2d. 1277[-8].

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Elyas de Mukedene concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Galfrido Rubro burgensi de Gypwico pro homagio et servicio suo et pro duabus marcis argenti quas mihi dedit in gersumam unam peciam terre mee cum pertinenciis in villa de Blakeham super aquam jacentem ex utraque parte inter terram Rogeri Hayls a parte orientis similiter eciam occidentis unde unum caput abutat super terram Thome Chanteben versus aquilonem et aliud caput abutat super terram predicti Elye versus austrum Habendam et tenendam de me et heredibus meis predicto Galfrido et heredibus suis et quicumque cuicumque et quandocumque et quo tempore predictam peciam terre cum pertinenciis dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit excepta domo religionis libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditate Reddendo annuatim mihi et heredibus meis inde duos denarios annui redditus videlicet ad Pascha unum denarium et ad festum sancti Michaelis unum denarium pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus exaccionibus auxiliis sectis curiarum et aliis secularibus demandis Et ego predictus Elyas et heredes mei warantizabimus acquietabimus et in omnibus defendemus predictam peciam terre cum pertinenciis predicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis per predictum servicium contra omnes gentes inperpetuum In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus Adam de Aula de Cleydone Roberto de Crakford de eadem Waltero de Monte Petro de Campo Roberto Herth Galfrido Brion Ricardo de (Roberto erased) Cruce Johanne de Lechemere Gilberto de Cruce Johanne le Breton Eustacio Hylth Galfrido Hugo et multis aliis

Actum

Actum per manus Ricardi clerici anno gracie m<sup>o</sup> cc<sup>o</sup>  
septuagesimo septimo anno regni regis Radwardi sexto

Doubled tag for Seal which is missing.

Quitclaim by Richard son of the late Osbert Moworten of Blakenham on the water to the abbot and monks of Bec of all his right in a messuage and all his other tenements in Blakenham with 2 pennyworths rent yearly from Richard Founkel from a tenement he holds of him of the fee sometime of dominus Benedict de Blakenham; for 42s silver.

Blakenham 29 May 1278.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Ricardus filius quondam Osseberti Moworten de Blakenham super aquam concessi remisi dedi et quietum clamavi de me et heredibus meis abbati ecclesie sancte Marie de Becco et monachis ibidem deo et sancte Marie servientibus totum jus et clamium quod habui aut habeo seu in posterum habere potero in quodam mesuagio nec non et in omnibus aliis tenementis cum pertinenciis suis in villa de Blakenham predicta una cum duobus denariatis annui redditus annuatim percipiendis de Ricardo Founkel de tenemento quod de me tenet de feodo quondam domini Benedicti de Blakenham cum homagiis wardis releviis et escaetis et omnibus aliis juribus dictum tenementum nec non et dictum redditum qualitercumque contingentibus

Ita tamen quod nec ego Ricardus nec heredes mei nec aliquis nomine meo aliquid juris vel clamei in predictis mesuagiis tenementis et redditibus cum suis pertinenciis ut predictum est vindicare poterimus de cetero

Pro hac autem comessione remissione donacione et quietata clamacione dederunt mihi predicti abbas et monachi premanibus quadraginta duos solidos argenti In cujus rei testimonium huic scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus Serlone de Neutone Roberto de  
 Crakeford Adam de Aula Roberto de Dufhus  
 Thoma del Bereth Willelmo le Rii Rogero Fabro  
 Galfrido Hayl Magistro Johanne de Blakenham Johanne de  
 Lechemere Roberto de Brissete clerico et aliis multis  
 Datum apud Blakenham super aquam die dominica proxima  
 ante festum sancte Petronille virginis anno regni regis  
 Edwardi sexto

Seal, round, 28mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
 A head of corn of nine ears.

\* S' RICARDI MOWORT ✓

l. m

Quitclaim, in her pure widowhood, by Avice, relict of  
 Richard Moworten of Bromforde, to the abbot of Bec of all her  
 right in a messuage with a croft and two pieces of arable.  
 Jordan, the attorney of the abbot, has paid her 4s:3d.  
 Blakenham 22 January 1279.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Avicia relicta Ricardi  
 Moworten de Bromforde in pura viduitate mea concessi et omnino  
 quietum clamavi pro me et heredibus meis abbati de Becko et  
 monachis suis et omnibus ibidem deo successoribus (sic) totum  
 jus meum et clamium quod habui nomine dotis vel aliquo alio  
 modo habere potero in uno mesuagio cum crofto et cum duabus  
 peciis arabilibus cum omnibus pertinenciis suis in villa de  
 Blakeham super aquam et dictum mesuagium cum crofto jacet inter  
 mesuagium quondam Reginaldi Kuckue et croftum quondam ejusdem  
 [word omitted] ex parte australi et terram rectoris ecclesie de  
 Blakeham super aquam ex parte aquilonis cujus unum capud abuttat  
 versus occidentem super regiam viam ducentem de Nedham versus  
 Bromford et alia pecia terre jacet inter terram Petri de Campo  
 ex parte aquilonis et terram Johannis Brien ex parte australi  
 cujus

cujus unum capud abutat versus orientem super pasturam Galfridi Luue et alia pecia terre jacet inter terram dicti abbatis ex parte orientali et terram Ade Gunnild' capellani ex parte occidentali cujus unum capud abuttat versus aquilonem super terram Roberti de Crakeford et aliud capud super pasturam dicti Johannis

Ita quod nec ego dicta Avicia nec aliquis heredum nec assignatorum meorum in dicto mesuagio cum dicto crofto et duabus predictis peciis terre cum omnibus pertinenciis de cetero aliquid juris vel clamei poterimus habere vendicare nec clamare

Pro hac autem concessione mea et quietaclamacione dedit mihi Jordanus attornatus dicti abbatis quatuor solidos et tres denarios argenti premanibus Et ut hec mea concessio et quietaclamacio rata sit et stabilis imperpetuum huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus      Ada de Cleyd'      Roberto de Crakeford  
 Serlone de Neuueton      Thoma del Berth      Thoma Par  
 Thoma de Bardevile      Rogero Wigge      Normanno Wiccyne  
 Roberto Hert et aliis

Actum apud Blakeham die sancti Vincentii anno regni regis Eadwardi septimo

Seal, pointed oval, 33m, natural colour wax, on doubled tag. A device of two ears of corn and four petals crosswise.

\* S' AVICIE REL' : RIC: MOW-

Grant by John de Hesseworth, clerk, to the abbot and convent of Bec, for his services and 40s sterling, of three pieces of arable in Blakenham on the water. Rent for one piece, lying in Farelond, 3s to the heirs of Ranulph son of Baldwin Chanteben, and for another piece, lying in Homnodeslond, 2s to the heirs of Geoffrey de Towne; and to the grantor two cloves.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Johannes de Hesseworth clericus concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi abbati de Becko et ejusdem loci conventui pro serviciis suis et pro quadraginta solidos sterlingorum quos mihi dederunt in gersumpniam tres pecias terre mee arabilis in villa de Blakeham super aquam quarum una pecia jacet in campo vocato Farelond abutante uno capite super terram dicti abatis ex parte austri et aliud capud super campum vocatum Gommaneslond ex parte aquilonis et alia pecia jacet in campo sub bosco dicti abbatis cujus unum capud abutat super dictum boscum et aliud capud super mesuagium Elene de Mokedon et sunt de feodo dicti abbatis

Tercia pecia jacet in campo vocato Hommodeslond et abutat super terram quondam Semani Segrin ex parte occidentis

Tenendas et habendas dictas pecias terre cum suis pertinenciis de me et heredibus meis vel assignatis dicto abbati et ejusdem loci conventui libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditate Reddendo de pecia jacente in Farlond heredibus Ranulphi filii Baldewini Chanteben tres denarios et obolum ad duos anni terminos ad festum sancti Michaelis et ad Pascha et heredibus Galfridi de Towne pro pecia jacente in Hommodeslond duos denarios ad terminos antedictos et michi et heredibus meis vel assignatis meis duos clawos gariophili per annum pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus exactionibus sectis curie et secularibus demandis Et ego predictus Johannes

et heredes mei vel mei assignati warentizabimus aquietabimus et in omnibus deffendemus dictas pecias terre cum omnibus suis pertinenciis dicto abbati et ejusdem loci conventui per predictum servicium contra omnes gentes inperpetuum In cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui

Hiis testibus Ricardo Pigaz Ricardo Sprot  
Galfrido Fyn Willelmo Fyn Johanne le Bretun  
Gileberto de Cruce Normanno le Ry Semmano Hert  
Johanne Baldewin Waltero dell Hull Warino de Cruce  
Willelmo de Bewmes et multis aliis

Seal, round, 30mm, dark green wax, on doubled tag, part of the edge on the left side broken away. A device of five ears of corn, spokewise.

\* S/ JOH/IS: DE [?S]ELE.....E

l. m

Grant by Simon son of Reginald the Carpenter, of Blakenham on the water, and Maud, his wife, and Juliana, sister of Maud, to Geoffrey le Rus, of Ipswich, for his homage and service and 8s silver of a piece of land in Blakenham. Rent to the fraternity of the hospital of St. John the Baptist of Batesford ~~id~~, and to the grantor a clove.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Symon filius Reginaldi Carpentarii de Blakenham super aquam et Matilda uxor mea et Juliana ejusdem Matilde soror concessimus dedimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmavimus Galfrido le Rus de Gypp' pro homagio et servicio suo et pro octo solidis argenti quos nobis dedit in gersumam unam peciam terre nostre una cum pastura pertinente predictae terre et omnibus aliis pertinenciis in villa de Blakenham super aquam jacentem inter terram Petri de Campo ex una parte et terram dicti Galfridi ex altera unum capud versus occidentem abuttat super terram abbatis de Beykarlewyne et aliud capud versus orientem abuttat super pratum predicti Galfridi Habendam et tenendam de nobis et heredibus nostris vel assignatis dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel assignatis et cuicumque vel quandocumque predictam peciam terre cum predicta pastura et aliis omnibus suis pertinenciis dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit libere quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditate

Reddendo inde annuatim fraternitate (sic) hospitalis sancti Johannis Baptiste de Batesford unum quadrantem scilicet ad Pascha et nobis et heredibus nostris vel assignatis unum clavum gariophili ad festum sancti Andree apostoli pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus sectis curiarum et omnibus aliis secularibus

demandis

demandis

Et nos predicti Symon et Matilda uxor mea et Juliana soror dicte Matilde et heredes nostri vel assignati warantizabimus quietabimus et defendemus predictam peciam terre una cum predicta pastura et suis omnibus aliis pertinenciis predicto Galfrido et heredibus suis vel assignatis quibuscumque per predictum servicium contra omnes gentes imperpetuum

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cujus rei testimonium huic presenti scrpto sigilla apposuimus

Hiis testibus Adam de Aula de Cleyd'

Roberto de Columbina Ricardo de Crakeford Normanno  
le Ry Waltero de Hyel Petro de Campo Thoma del Hyel  
et aliis

Seals and tags missing.

l. m

Left hand indenture of final concord made in the King's court at Westminster on the morrow of the Purification 8 Edward I between Peter, abbot of Bec, plaintiff, by William de Haredene, his attorney, and John de Lovetot, defendant, of a tenement in Blakenham which the abbot holds in frankalmoign from Benedict de Blakenham of the fee of the defendant. The said John had distrained the plaintiff to do homage and suit at his court at Braunford. He now quitclaims all his right in the premises. Consideration 40 marks silver. 3 February 1280.

Hec est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Westmonasterium in crastino purificationis beate Marie anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Henrici octavo coram Thoma Welond Waltero de Helyun Rogero de Leye' et Willelmo de Buruton justiciariis et aliis domini regis fidelibus tunc ibi presentibus inter Petrum abbatem de Becco Herlewyni querentem per Willelmum de Haredene positum loco suo ad lucrandum vel perdendum et Johannem de Lovetot de hoc quod cum idem abbas

teneat

teneat quoddam tenementum in Blakenham de Benedicto de Blakenham in puram et perpetuam elemosinam de feodo predicti Johannis idem Johannes distrinxit ipsum abbatem ad faciendum ei homagium et sectam ad curiam ipsius Johannis apud Braunford de tribus septimanis in tres septimanas pro predicto tenemento et unde placitum fuit inter eos in eadem curia scilicet quod predictus Johannes remisit et quietumclamavit de se et heredibus suis predicto abbati et successoribus suis et ecclesie sue de Becco Herlewyni totum jus et clamium quod habuit in predictis homagio et secta que exigebat versus eum et similiter in predicto tenemento cum pertinenciis inperpetuum ita quod idem Johannes sive heredes sui nichil decetero poterunt clamare vel exigere in predicto tenemento cum pertinenciis neque in dominico neque in servicio neque in communia Et pro hac remissione quietaclamancia fine et concordia idem abbas dedit predicto Johanni quadraginta marcas argenti.

Grant in fee by Thomas de Bardevile, of Blakenham, to the abbey of Bec of a piece of arable land in Blakenham, for 3s.

No services.

18 July 1281

Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego Thomas de Bardevile de Blakenham super aquam concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi abbati de Becco et monachis suis ibidem deo servientibus unam peciam terre mee arrabilis cum pertinenciis suis in villa de Blakenham predicta jacentem in campo qui vocatur Attescroft inter terram predicti abbatis ex parte occidentis et terram quondam Hugonis Ustred ex parte orientis uno capite habutante super viam que se extendit de Blakenham versus Langedene et alio capite habutante super pasturam que vocatur Wlsisdiches Habendam et tenendam predictam peciam terre cum pertinenciis suis de me et heredibus meis predictis abbati et monachis ibidem deo servientibus libere

quiete



quiete bene in pace in feodo et hereditate et sine aliquo inde  
faciendo

Et ego predictus Thomas et heredes mei warantizabimus  
aquietabimus et defendemus dictam peciam terre cum omnibus  
pertinenciis suis dictis abbati et monachis suis et eorum  
successoribus contra omnes gentes inperpetuum Pro hac  
autem donacione concessione et hujus carte confirmacione dederunt  
mihi predicti abbas et monachi sui tres solidos premanibus

In hujus rei testimonium huic presenti scripto sigillum  
meum apposui Hiis testibus Roberto del Duphus

Ada de Cleydon Johanne le Breton Ricardo de Cracford  
Rogerio de Scrublund Johanne de Lechemere Petro de Campo  
Willelmo Toke et aliis Datum apud at Blakenham super

aquam die veneris proxima aute festum Sancte Margarete anno  
regni regis Eadwardi filii regis Henrici nono.

Seal, round, 36mm, natural colour wax, on doubled tag.  
A flower of eight petals.

\* S/ THOME DE BARDEVILE

Quitclaim, in her pure widowhood, by Margery, relict of  
Nicholas son of the chaplain of Blakenham on the water, to the  
abbot of Bee of all her right, in the name of dowry, in a  
courtyard with a piece of meadow in Blakenham; for 2s.  
Blakenham, 27 May 1282.

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Margeria relicta  
Nicholai filii capellani de Blakenham super aquam in pura  
viduitate mea concessi remisi et quietumclamavi abbati sancte  
Marie de Becco et ejusdem loci conventus totum jus et clamium  
quod habui vel aliquo modo habere potui nomine dotis in quodam  
curtilagio una cum quadam pecia prati cum pertinenciis suis in  
villa de Blakenham predicta quod quidam (sic) curtilagium jacet

ex utraque parte inter prata predicti abbatis uno capite habutante  
 super pratum predicti abbatis et alio capite super mesuagium  
 Hugonis Kok et que quidem pecia prati jacet inter pratum  
 Henrici de Caudeseye ex una parte et pratum Roberti Guleman ex  
 altera et habutat ad unum capud super ripam extendentem de  
 molendino predicti abbatis versus pontem qui vocatur Hertesford  
 et ad aliud capud super terram predicti abbatis Ita  
 quod nec ego predicta Margeria nec aliquis pro me vel per me  
 aliquid juris vel clamii in predicto curtilagio et predicta  
 pecia prati decetero poterimus exigere vel vendicare Pro  
 hac autem concessione remissione et quietaclamacione dedit mihi  
 predictus abbas duos solidos premanibus In cujus rei  
 testimonium huic scripto sigillum meum apposui Hiis  
 testibus Adam de Cleydon Rogero de Schurblund  
 Ricardo de Crakford Willelmo Toke Waltero del Hull  
 Petro de Campo Gilberto de Cruce Thoma de Bardevile et  
 multis aliis

Datum apud Blakenham predictam die Mercurii proxima post  
 festum sancte Trinitatis anno regis Edwardi decimo

Seal, pointed oval, 36mm, green wax, on doubled tag.  
 A flower of four petals.

S' MARGERIE: LE MIRE

Quitclaim by Richard de Crakford of Cleydone to the abbey  
 of Bee of a piece of land called le Stonherde in Great Blakenham,  
 for two marks silver.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus hoc presens scriptum visuris vel  
 audituris Ricardus de Crakford de Cleydone salutem in domino  
 sempiternam

Noverit universitas vestra me concessisse remisisse et  
 omnino pro me et heredibus meis quietum clamasse inperpetuum

abbati