

Indenture of lease, 19 February 1748, by the same, upon
 surrender of a lease to Elizabeth Holloway, spinster, Ann
 Holloway and Sarah Holloway, executrices of Elizabeth Crell,
 widow, to Mary Holloway, of Witney, co. Oxford, widow and
 executrix of the will of John Holloway, late of Witney, D.D.,
 deceased, of the same. From Lady day last for 10 years.
 Rent 45s and one boar or 20s and 18 quarters of wheat and 7
 quarters of malt or their money equivalent.

Examined by Thomas Sturges.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag, detached.

l. m.

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Thomas Horne, Anthony Collins

Examined by John Burton.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, oval, 20 x 16mm., red wax, applied. A bearded
 profile

l. m.

Indenture of lease, 23 December 1751, by the same, upon
 surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. From
 Ladyday last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by William Hetherington.

The College Seal, papered, on double tag, detached.

l. m.

Counterpart of lease, 17 December 1751, by the same,
 upon surrender of a lease to the said Mary Holloway, widow,
 and Mary Holloway, then spinster, now wife of Charles Hoskins,
 of Witney, gent., being daughter and devisee named in the will
 of the said John Holloway, deceased, to the said Mary and
 Charles and Mary of the same. From old Ladyday last for 10

years. Rent as before

Witnesses: Mary Scriven, Francis Barton.

Examined by R. Lyne.

Signatures of lessees.

Three identical Seals, oval, 18 x 15mm, applied. A bearded profile.

l. m

11

Indenture of lease, 17 December 1763, by the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by Stephen Apthorp.

The College Seal missing.

l. m

12

Counterpart of the foregoing.

No Witnesses.

Examined by R. Lyne.

Signatures of lessees.

Three identical Seals, oval, 16 x 13mm., red wax, applied. A Cupid on the back of a fish. Above FIDELITE.

l. m

13

Indenture of lease, 22 february 1768, by the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, to William Wright, of Middlefield, co. Oxford, gent., of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by Stephen Apthorp.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

l. m

14

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Stephen Hawtrey.

Examined by E. Barnard.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, oval, 20 x 17mm., applied. A bearded profile

l. m

Licence, 12 October 1772, by the same to the same to alienate his lease of 18 July 1771 to William Wright, junior, his son.

Examined by E. Betham.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

l. m.

Counterpart of lease, 2 July 1781, by the same, upon surrender of his former lease, to the same, that is to say, William Wright of Cogs, gent., presumably the afore-mentioned son, of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: John Baughan, John Biggers.

Examined by Thomas Chamberlayne.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied. An anagram, a bad impression.

l. m.

Bond, 2 July 1781, by the lessee (described as yeoman) in 200l to the lessor for the observance of the terms of the foregoing.

Witnesses as on foregoing.

Signature of Wright.

Seal, red wax, applied, a bad impression.

2fs.

18

Counterpart of lease, 26 August 1791, by the College, upon surrender of a lease to Theophilus Walford, of London, gent., and Thomas Rooke, of Chipping Norton, co. Oxford, innholder, in trust for Mary Wright, widow of William Wright, of Coggs, gent., deceased, to John Wright, of Middlefield Farm near Witney, gent., of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Witnesses: James Charters, Sophia Charters.

Examined by William Roberts.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, oval, 20 x 18mm., red wax, applied. A bearded profile

l. m.

19

Counterpart of lease, 30 May 1795, by the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, to Vincent Shortland, of the city of Oxford, esq., John Smith, of Witney, woolstapler, James Simmons Brooks, of Woodstock, gent., and John Dix, of Witney, blanket-maker, in trust for Sarah, the daughter of John Wright, late of Middlefield Farm, gent., deceased, of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before (1296 gallons of wheat and 504 gallons of malt).

Witnesses: John Wright, William Mayo.

Examined by John Norbury.

Signatures of lessees.

Four identical Seals, oval, about 10 x 7mm., red wax, applied. Bad impressions. A bird.

l. m.

20

Indenture of lease, 13 May 1799, by the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, to the said Shortland, Smith and Dix, of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by William Foster.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

l. m.

21

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: V.J. Shortland, Thomas Richard Walker,
Thomas Smith, William Rowles.

Examined by Edward Hawtrey.

Signatures of lessees.

Three identical Seals, oval, 16 x 11mm., red wax,
applied. A bearded profile. l. m

22

Indenture of lease, 5 April 1804, by the same, upon
surrender of the foregoing, to the said Dix, of the same.
From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before,
together with 26l:15s in consideration of the redemption
of land tax.

Examined by Benjamin Heath.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag. l. m.

23

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: William Macey, Witney.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, round, about 16mm., red wax, applied. JD. l. m

24

Indenture of lease, 30 July 1807, by the same, upon
surrender of the foregoing, to the same, of the same. From
old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by William Roberts.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag. 2. m s

25

Counterpart of the foregoing

Witnesses: William Macey, attorney, Witney,
Thomas Broad Macey.

Examined by G. Heath.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied.

2. ms

26

Indenture of lease, 10 June 1811, by the same, upon surrender of the foregoing, to the said Dix and Vincent John Shortland, of the city of Oxford, esq., Jonathan Arnatt, of Lee in Bampton, gent., and Thomas Barton, of Market Harborough, co. Leicester, woolstapler. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by G. Heath.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Endorsed with a memorandum, signed by John Roberts, that the Provost and College, patrons of the curacy of Cogs, have assigned to the curate the yearly sum of 15l in order to obtain the Royal Bounty for the augmentation of the curacy.

2. ms

27

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Thomas Broad Macey.

Examined by William Roberts.

Endorsement as on foregoing.

Signatures of lessees.

Seals, red wax, applied.

2. ms
1. f

Indenture of lease, 20 December 1816, by the same, for 730l and the surrender of the foregoing, to Thomas Blount of Market Harborough, gent., and Samuel Taylor, of Little Bowden, co. Northants. gent. (to the uses named in an indenture of 27 September 1814 between Ambrose Treslove, of Market Harborough, surgeon, Sarah Wright of Great Bowden, spinster, youngest daughter of John Wright, formerly of Middlefield, in the hamlet of Halley, co. Oxford, esq., deceased, Mary Wright, of Great Bowden, widow, mother of Sarah, John Dix, of Witney, blanket maker, Vincent John Shortland, of Kidlington, co. Oxford, gent., Jonathan Arnatt, of Lew, co. Oxford, gent., Thomas Burton, of Market Harborough, gent., and the said Blount and Taylor, being the marriage settlement of the said Ambrose Treslove and Sarah Wright), of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Grover.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled rag.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Edward Brown, registrar, John Hunt, his servant.

Examined by G. Heath.

Signatures of lessees.

Two identical Seals, rectangular, 18 x 16mm., red wax, applied. A classical profile.

2. ms

30

Indenture of lease, 14 June 1819, by the same, for 730^l and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same (to the said uses) of the same. From old Lady day for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by Joseph Goodall, provost.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms

31

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Ann Goodman, William Andrews.

Examined by J. Grover.

Signatures of lessees.

Seals, red wax, applied.

2. ms

32

Indenture of lease, 30 June 1823, by the same, for 657^l:17^s and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same (to the said uses) of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by G. Bethell.

The College Seal is missing.

2. ms

33

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Richard Arnold, John Cooke, Richard Allen, clerks to Messrs. Wartnaby and Douglass, solicitors.

Examined by J. Goodall, provost.

Signatures of lessees.

Two Seals, red wax, applied.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 2 August 1827, by the same, for 996l:15s:6d and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same (to the said uses) of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J.F. Plumtre.

The College Seal is missing.

3. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: Richard Gardner, Market Harborough, and John Lester, clerk to Messrs. Wartnaby and Douglass, solicitors, Market Harborough.

Examined by J. Briggs.

Signatures of lessees.

Two Seals, rectangular, 16 x 13mm., red wax, applied.

- (1) A bird (Blount).
- (2) Youth's profile (Tayler).

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 23 November 1832, by the same, for 816l:10s an the surrender of the foregoing, to the said Tayler of the same. From old Lady day 1831 for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by G. Bethell.

The College Seal is missing.

3. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: James Abbey, solicitor, Market Harborough, John Lester, his clerk.

Examined by J. Caster.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, round, 18mm., red wax, applied. A wheel-like device.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 8 April 1835, by the same, for 737l:10s and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same, of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Carter.

The College Seal is missing.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: William Barker, Little Bowden.

Examined by G. Bethell.

Signature of lessee.

Not Sealed.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 19 April 1839[†] by the same, for 757l: 6s and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Carter.

The College Seal is missing

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Thomas H. Chaimell, solicitor, Bedford Street, Covent Garden.

Examined by G Bethell.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, rectangular, 18 x 14mm. red wax, applied.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 15 April 1843, by the same, for 760^l and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by G. Bethell.

The College Seal is missing.

DAMAGED BY RODENTS.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: John Pal[.....], 37 Fleet Street.

Examined by J. Carter.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 14 May 1847, by the same, for 761^l; 1s; 6d and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Carter.

The College Seal, papored, on doubled tag.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Charles Cathcart, clerk to Messrs. Hoare,
Fleet Street.

Examined by George and John Dupuis.

Signature of lessee.

Not Sealed.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 22 July 1851, by the same, for 710l:12s:9d and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same (of Leamington, co. Warwick) of the same. From old Lady last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Carter.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Thomas Samuel Wright, solicitor, Leamington.

Examined by G.R. Green.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, red wax, applied.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 18 May 1855, by the same, for 750l:6s:8d and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Carter.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Thomas Samuel Wright.

Examined by George John Dupuis.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, square, 14mm., black wax, applied. [YTW]

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 9 June 1859, by the same, for 723l:12s and the surrender of the foregoing, to the same of the same. The accommodation of the chaplain or curate is described as homestead buildings yards gardens and orchards near the church, containing 5g:1g:34p, to be appropriated for his mansion and dwelling place. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Wilder.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: George Davis, banker, Market Harborough.

Examined by George John Dupuis.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, round, 11mm., red wax, applied. A bird.

2. ms

Indenture of lease, 2 May 1863, by the same, for 1,000l and the surrender of the foregoing, to Samuel Tayler, of Rothwell, co. Northants, grazier, William Moseley Tayler, of 9 Old Jewry Chambers in the city of London, gent., and William Pain, of Shangton, co. Leicester, farmer, trustees and executors named in the last will of Samuel Tayler, of Leamington, gent., deceased, of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Examined by J. Chapman.

The College Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2. ms

53

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witnesses: John Ward, 9 Old Jewry Chambers, Joseph Barber, Market Harborough, W. Wartnaby, solicitor, Market Harborough.

Examined by W.L. Eliot.

Signatures of lessees.

Three Seals, identical, rectangular, 18 x 14mm., red wax, applied. A bearded profile.

2. ms

54

Counterpart of lease, 12 April 1867, by the same, for 1184l:6s:2d and the surrender of the foregoing, to Harry Robbins, of Northfield in Cogs, farmer and grazier, of the same. From old Lady day last for 10 years. Rent as before.

Witness: Frederick Charsley, registrar of Eton College.

Examined by J. Chapman.

Signature of lessee.

Seal, rectangular, 11 x 18mm., red wax, applied.

A profile

2. ms

55

Indenture of lease, 18 December 1884, by the same to Mr. John Joslin, of Westfield, co. Oxford, of Northfield Farm in Cogs, Witney and North Leigh, specified in a schedule, amounting to 432a:0r:24p. From 11 October last till 11 October 1898 and thereafter on a yearly tenancy. Rent 25ql.

Unauthenticated. Printed and MS.

1. f

56

Counterpart of the foregoing.

Witness: Charles List, farmer, Cassington, Oxon.

Signatures and papered seals of lessees.

1. f

57

Counterpart of lease, 14 May 1900, by the same to Charles William List, of Witney, co. Oxford, of the same. Rent 290l. From 11 October last for one year and thereafter on a yearly tenancy.

Witness: John J. Ravenor, solicitor, Witney.

Signature of lessee.

1. f

58

Abstract of title, made in 1870, of the College to a freehold estate at Cogs. Lessees of 1807, 1811, 1816, 1819, 1823, 1827; 1839; 1843, 1847, 1851, 1855, 1859, 1863, and 1867 are abstracted.

17fs.

59

Schedule of the foregoing deeds.

3fs.

60

Copy, not earlier than 1858, of a valuation of the Cogs estate made by Thomas Eagle in 1803.

1. f

Copy, made in 1870, of George Crocker's Valuation, made on 5 November 1862, of an estate called Northfield in Coggs, the property of Eton College, leased to Samuel Tatler, esq.

3fs.

Minute that the Provost and Fellows, patrons of the curacy of Coggs, by lease to John Dix and others of the parsonage of Cogges, assigned reserved and made payable to the curate for the time being the clear yearly sum of 15l in order to obtain the Royal Bounty. Attached to the minute is an extract, made on 10 June 1811 by Edward Brown, registrar, for the lease.

2fs.

Baldwins by Dartford, and the Flashe
in Luddenham, Ore and Faversham, co. Kent.
(63 - 65)

[See also E.C.R. Vol. 20]

Indenture of lease, 18 August 1529, by Master John Higdon, doctor of Divinity, dean of Cardinal's college in Oxford, and the canons of the said college, to Sir John Norton, of the parish of Milton, co. Kent, Knight, of all that marsh ground called the Flashe lying in Lodenham marsh within the parishes of Lodenham, Ovre and Feversham, co. Kent, containing 83 acres more or less. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent 5 marks. Dated at Oxford.

The common Seal of Cardinal's college, red wax, on a doubled tag, the sides broken away.

SIGILLU.....LCY,CARDINAL.....ERE,LEGATI

[B.M. Catalogue no. 5280]

Endorsed that on 3 December 1529 the lessors granted the lessee permission to sublet or alienate the premises.

l. m

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Fragment of Court Roll of Baldwyns alias Okcolt by Dartford

[Henry VIII before 1539]

lf.

Counterpart of lease, 25 April 1637, by the
Provost and College to George Tucker, of Milton by
Gravesend, esq., of the site of the manor of Bawdwin
near Dartford, co. Kent, and two woods called Okeholtes
containing 76 acres and a wood called Bowghill and all
other woods belonging to the manor and lordship of
Bawdwin, except wards, marriages, fines, heriots, reliefs,
waifs, strays and perquisites of courts and leets.
From ~~old~~ Lady day last for 21 years. Rent 8l:17s:10d
and 5 quarters of wheat and 11 quarters 1 bushel of
malt or their money equivalent.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: John Sedley, John Dickinson.

Traces of Seal, red wax, on doubled tag.

l. M.

Beckford, co. Gloucester, and Colsterworth,
co. Lincoln.
(66, 67)

[See also E.C.R. Vol.8]

Precept by Henry II to his justices, sheriffs and all his ministers in the sea ports of England and Normandy, that all the possessions and things of the prior and canons of St. Barbara which their men have been able to assure as of their lordship are to be quit of toll and passage money and pontage and every other custom throughout England and Normandy. No one is to disturb them unjustly upon pain of 10*l*.

Witnesses: the bishops of Bayeux and Lisieux, Oxford [?1155].

[It is possible that this document is as early as January 1155, the first time that King Henry II visited Oxford, when he was accompanied by the bishops of Bayeux and Lisieux. See Eyton's Court, Household, and Itinerary of King Henry II (1878) p.2.]

H. dei gracia rex Anglorum et dux Normannorum et Comes Andegavorum Justiciariis vicecomitibus et omnibus Ministris suis totius Anglie et Normannie nominatium portuum maris salutem Precipio vobis quod totum corredium et omnes res prioris et canonicorum sancte Barbare quas homines sui poterunt assecurare suas esse dominicas sint quiete de thelonee et passagio et pontagio et de omni alia consuetudine per totam terram meam Anglie et Normannie Et prohibeo ne quis super hoc eos injuste disturbet super x libras forisfacture. Testibus episcopo Baiocensi et episcopo Lexoviensi apud Oxonia m.

Tongue from which the Seal has disappeared.

totam istam bovatum terre quietam clamatum et vocata
est gosseland sepedicto Willelmo de Hoctona et heredibus
suis contra omnes homines et feminas

Majus conventionis sunt testes

- Nicholaus capellanus de Hoctona Osbertus Giffard
- Thomas filius Hilde Ricardus filius Roisie Johannes
- filius Simonis Gilbertus de Hoctona Jacobus
- Ricardus Bicheman Rogerus filius Randulfi
- Baldewinus filius Lefwini Radulfus Izewroe
- Osbertus filius Halwi

et multi alii

Seal and most of doubled tag missing.

1. m

Grant by William son of Jordan, of Hocton, to
 William son of Hugh, of Hocton, of a bovate of land in
 Hocton [in Grantham] held of the canons of St. Barbara.
 Rent 18d. For 20s. [John - Henry III]

Sciunt omnes presentes et futuri has literas
 visuri vel audituri quod ego Willelmus filius Jurdani
 de Hoctona assensu et bona voluntate patris mei Jurdani
 dedi et concessi et quietum clamavi et hac presenti
 carta mea confirmari Willelmo filio Hugonis de Hoctona
 et heredibus suis unam bovata[m] terre extra toftum quam
 antecessores mei tenerunt et ego tenere debui in
 territorie de Hoctona de canonicis de domo sancte Barbe
 scilicet ille bovata terra que vocata est Gosselan.

Tenendam et habendam libere et quiete
 ab omni servitio et exactione de domo Sancte Barbe sicut
 antecessores mei tam tenerunt et ego tenere debui

Reddendo inde annuatim prenominationis canonicis
 de domo sancte Barbe viginti octo denarios ad quatuor
 terminos anni scilicet ad Natale domini septem denarios
 et ad Pascha septem denarios et ad festum sancti

Johannis Baptiste septem denarios et ad festum sancti
 Michaelis septem denarios pro omni servitio que super
 terram evenire possit

Pro hac
 vero donatione et concessione et quiete clamations et
 presenti (sic) carte confirmatione dedit predictus
 Willelmus filius Hugonis de Hoctona prenominato Willelmo
 filio Jurdani de Hoctona viginti solidos argenti in
 gersum

Et ego Willelmus filius Jurdani
 de Hoctona et heredes mei warentisabimus et defendemus

Elakenham, co. Suffolk

(68)

[See also E.C.R. Vol.29]

Memorandum that on 27 August 1526 Roger Lupton,
 Provost of Eton, took possession of certain parcels of
 land (specified) in Baylham, the said possession given
 by Richard Gylbert [on behalf] Sir Richard Wentworth,
 Knight, in the presence of Master John Gulston, fellow
 of the College, Sir Richard Flynt, parson of Blakenham,
 and others.

lf.

Eledlow, co. Bucks
(69 - 71)

[See also E.C.R. vols. 7 and 46]

Grant by Roger Campiun to Thomas Chamutus son of
 H. Camutus of a virgate in Redburna. Rent some black spurs.
 [early Henry III]

Sciunt tam presentes quam futuri quod ego Rogerus
 Campiun dedi et concessi Thome Chanute filio H. Canuti
 et heredibus suis scilicet predicti Thome unam virgatem
 terre in Redburna quam ego tenui de Thoma Canute et
 Henrico Canute et unus homo eorum eram; pro servicio
 suo et humagie tenendam de me tota vita mea reddendo
 annuatim quedam calcaria nigra libere et quiete ab omni
 servicio excepto servicio domini regis in pratis et in
 pascuis et in omnibus aliis pertinenciis; et post
 dicessum meum tenendam illam predictam terram de H.
 Canute patre suo et heredibus suis ille predictus
 Thomas filius eius et heredes sui eodem predicto servicio
 scilicet quedam nigra calcaria predicta His testibus
 Petro sacerdote de Redburna Nigello de Mord' Willelmo
 Avenel Jacobo capellano de Oxsonia Toma clerico Willelmo
 filio Sampson Nigello nepote sacerdotis Simon Hastemang'
 Galfrido fratre eius Radulfo de Gurnunvilla Willelmo
 clerico de Strett' Rogero filio Radulfi et pluribus
 aliis.

Doubled tag for Seal which is missing

l. m

Will dated 20 January 1501-2, of Rose Chapman, widow, leaving her body to be buried in the chapel of the Holy Trinity on the north side of the parish church of All Saints, Chyppynfarendon, next to the tomb of her husband; to the fabric of the cathedral church of Salisbury 12d; to the high altar of the parish church of Farendon 2s; to each light in the said church 4d; to the chapel of the Holy Trinity in the said church a pound of wax; to the building of the chapel (ediculi) of St John on the north side 20 sheep; to the repair of the church 20 sheep. Her executors are to have painted at her expense an image in le Roode loft by the high cross. And she bequeaths to the said church a tenement called Prattes howsse; to Sir William Bonar a barn called the newe Barne in Rydyngge Street; to the same Sir William a tenement in Sowthestrete called Hallyshowsse; to the same a tenement in Rodbourne and Broodeblondesdon, co. Wilts; to the same 100 sheep; to the same 20l of legal money; to Richard Wykes a barn called Bellamys Barne in Westbroke; to the same 20l of legal money; to Elizabeth her daughter all her lands in Hynton, co. Oxford, in the parish of Chynnor; to the same all her lands in Bledlewreyght for her life, with remainder to John Bonar; to the same 3l:6s:8d; to each of her godsons 4d; to the wife of Master John Rawlyns 4 sheep; to John Wykes 6 sheep; to Joan Harford 6 sheep; to each sewant in her house 2 sheep; to Margaret Halle a sheep and to her son 2 sheep; to the light of St. John the Baptist a sheep; to master John Lathom 20s; and the residue of her goods to Margaret Parker, Sir William Bonar, Richard Wykes and Robert Draper, named her executors, to dispose as they think fit for the good of her soul, the soul of her husband and parents and all the faithful deceased. Margaret Parker

and Robert Draper to have 20s each for their labours.
John Snedevale, Vicar of the church of Farendon to be
surveyor of the will and have 20s for his labour.
Witnesses: Master John Lethom and Sir Humphrey Barret.
Proved before master William Jonys, official of the
peculiar and prebendal jurisdiction of Farendon, 18
February 1501-2. Seal, pointed oval, 40 x 26mm.,
red wax, on tongue. Within Gothic niche the Virgin
and child. In base a quatrefoil. S.....OFFICIALIS.....

l. m

[Rose Chapman was daughter of Maud Wykes, and widow of
John Chapman. See E.C.R. vol. 46 no.512]

Bond by Robert Davye, of Chepyngewycombe, co. Bucks, draper, Richard Goodchylde, of Chinnore, co. Oxford, husbandman, John a Thame, of Chynmore, husbandman, and Thomas Broke, of Chynmore, tailor, to the Provost and College in 100l for the observance of the terms of an indenture of this date.

1 March 1533

Three Seals, round, 12mm., red wax, on tongues.

- (1) S
- (2) Perhaps armorial, half broken away.
- (3) I and another letter broken away.

l. m

Bloxham, co. Oxford

(72)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 14]

40

Bond, 14 October 1579, by Thomas Lovell, of Bloxham, co. Oxford, clerk, to the Provost and College in 401 not to do anything to occasion the College losing the gift of the vicarage of Bloxham and, if he resigns, to do so only to the College.

Signature of Lovell.

Witnesses: John Reve, John Dethick, public notary.

Traces of Seal, red wax, on tongue.

I. W

Bray, co. Berks.

(73,73^A)

[See also E.C.R. VOL.41]

Grant by William atte Forde of Clintone, son of Edward de Boghindone, to John Lovetot, of an acre of arable lying in the cultura which is called Cruchifur Bonestret between the land of John Milis on both sides extending at the western head onto the land of Roger le Franceys and at the other head onto the King's way with all its appurtenances in Braye. Rent 5d.

Witnesses: John Ine, Roger Franceys, Henry de Boghindone, John Milis, Richard his son, William Gilemyn, William atte Reye and others.

Braye, Palm Sunday 9 Edward II [4 April 1316]

Seal, natural colour wax, on doubled tag, fragmentary.

[The Seal tags of this and the following document are attached by string and straw. Endorsed "Coddessforde" in a 16th or 17th century hand].

1. m

Grant by John Lovetot of Braye to John, his son, of half an acre and a rood lying separately, the half acre in a cultura called le Crouchfer between the land which John le Muleward holds on lease from the donor on the south and the land of Richard Milis on the north, extending at the eastern head onto the King's way which leads from Maydenhathe to Wyke and of the western head onto a cultura called Brendelewe; and the rood in le Suthlongefer between the land sometime of Christine la Wolf on the west and the land of Henry de Bogyndone on the east, extending at the southern head onto the land of John Roberd and at the northern head onto the land sometime of Roger le Freynshe.

1. m

Witnesses: John de Mereworthe, Henry de Bogyndon,
William le Hosebonde, John le Taverner,
Andrew le Odeneye, clerk, and others.

Braye, 6 October 1337

Doubled tag for Seal which is lost.

[The Seal tags of this and the preceding document
are attached by string and straw. Endorsed as
on the foregoing.]

Cottesford, co. Oxford.
(74-77)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 26]

Grant by William le Bar of Cottesford to the monks of Biddlesdon in frankalmoign of a virgate in Cottesford. [? John]

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willelmus le Bar de Codesford dedi et concessi et presenti carta confirmavi deo et beata Marie et monachis de Betelesden in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam unam virgatum terre mee cum pertinentiis suis in villa de Codesford videlicet quindecim acras in uno campo et quatuordecim acras in altero campo scilicet in uno campo sex acras ultra Widemor et duas acras abuttantes in Widemor duas acras in Hakedesfurlong quatuor acras in Woweland unam havedlond a la Fulridiehuverende in altero campo unam acram in la Frenseland tres acras sur la Done duas acras sur la Woweland duas acras juxta terram Warini proximas ville abuttantes in Walkamstede unum havedlond sur Lutleslade unam acram abuttantem sur le havedlond quatuor acras in Gorfurlong liberas et quietas ab omni terrene servitio

Et ego et heredes mei dictam virgatum terre cum pertinentiis suis eisdem monachis in perpetuum contra omnes gentes warantizabimus et defendemus His testibus Gileberto capellano de Codesford Wastero de Chetes Johanné filio eius Rogero filio Widonis Rogero filio Jeece Reginaldo fabro de Charewelton Laurencio de Fifhyde

Seal, pointed oval, 37 x 22mm., dark green wax, on doubled tag. A flower on a stem, with two leaves on each side.

† SIGILL WILLI DEL BARE

l. m

Grant by William de Bar, for himself and his heirs, in perpetuity, to the abbey of Biddlesdon of his homage and service for his tenement of Cottesford, which has been granted by the abbey of S. Pierre sur Dive to the said abbey. He will render the same services to the new as to the old lord, except that for the 10s he used to pay yearly he will now pay half a pound of cumin or 1d at Christmas. [?John]

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Willelmus de Bar pro me et heredibus meis concessi et hac mea carta confirmavi deo et Beate Marie et abbati et conventui de Betlesd' homagium et servicium mei et heredum meorum de tenemento mee de Codesford inperpetuum quod scilicet homagium et servicium predicti abbas et conventus de Betlesd' habent de concessione et quieta clamacione abbatis et conventus de sancto Petro super Dyvam Ita quod ego et heredes mei pro decem solidis argenti quos solebam reddere annuatim dictis abbati et conventui de sancto Petro super Dyvam reddemus abbati et conventui de Betlesd' inperpetuum annuatim unam dimidiam libram cymini vel unum denarium argenti ad nativitatem domini Et ego et heredes mei acquietabimus dictos abbatem et conventum de Betlesd' de omnibus sectis et serviciis inperpetuum contra omnes gentes ad predictum tenementum pertinentibus Et homagia et relevia et omnia servicia que de dicto tenemento feci vel facere debui dictis abbati et conventui de sancto Petro ego et heredes mei faciemus abbati et conventui de Betlesd' inperpetuum plene preter decem solidos prenominales

Et ad omnia predicta fideliter inperpetuum observanda pro me et heredibus meis affidavi et presentem cartam sigilli mei impressione roboravi Hiis testibus

Willelmo domino de Stratford

Willelmo Dandeli

Radulfo de Langeport

Rogero le Blund de Codesford

Thoma de Armenters

Roberto filio ejus et aliis

l. m.

Seal, pointed oval, 38 x 26mm., green wax, on doubled tag.
A flower with stem and leaves. † SIGILL • WILLI • DEL BARE:

A packet of documents relating to the Chancery Suit of the College v. Sir William Cope and Maximilian Petit, esq., concerning lands in Cottesford, co. Oxford; including a parchment indenture of award by Sir John Croke, a justice of the pleas, signed and sealed, dated 30 June 1617. The lands include three crofts or closes called Cokesheyes, containing three acres, a furlong called Ryley's Breach, containing 6 or 7 acres, a close called Davies close containing 1½ acres, a close called Dovehouse Leies alias Cokesland, containing 6 acres, a close called Penycard or Hogeycard, containing 1½ acres, a close called the Little Parke containing a rood, a piece of grass near Cokesheies and Ryleies Breach, containing 3 acres, a piece of ground lying between Couperens and Watkins containing 4 poll square, sometime called Swanbornes, a furlong of arable in the common field containing 12 acres, a plot of furze ground containing 3 or 4 acres, so much of a parcel of ground containing 18 acres on the south side of the Greate Ponde as lies between heathland and an ancient balk which did run along through the said close by certain thorns, the Greate Pond butting on the end of the said land; and a tenement of 2 yard lands called Watkin Reeve or Watkin; and a close called Watkins close. The cause, by mutual consent of the parties, was stayed in Chancery and referred to the arbitrament of Croke. 1617-18

5 fs
1 m

Writ of execution, 2 December 1618, to Sir William Cope, Knight and baronet, Maximilian Pettit, esquire, and all others claiming an interest in the undermentioned lands, to observe the terms of a decree in Chancery in the suit of the Provost and College of Eton against the said Cope and Pettit, dated 28 November last. The case is fully recited. The lands are of the manor of Cottesford to which the title of the College is confirmed.

Half the Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

One large and one small membrane.

Creeting, co. Suffolk

(78)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 32]

Bond of Samuel Scrutton, of Coddensham, co. Suffolk,
husbandman, to the Provost and College in 6l for the
payment of a debt of 3l

17 September 1614

Signature of Scrutton

Witnesses: Richard Oakeley, Christopher
Rose.

Seal, oval, 13 x 11mm., impressed beneath
paper turn-over. A tree between R and O.

2fs.

[It is presumed that this document is connected with the
College estate at Creeting, where Richard Oakeley, gent.,
served as deputy steward at this period].

Ellingham, co. Hants.
(79,80)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 17]

Grant in frankalmoign by William de Solaris to the abbey of S. Sauveur of Coutances of the church of Ellingham (Alingeham) co. Hants, which is in honour of St. Mary and All Saints, and in the same vill half a carucate of arable and 20 acres of meadow and 3 acres for the building of their houses and all common in lands, pastures and waters; for his soul and the souls of his ancestors and the soul of earl Richard, his uncle. 1165

Notum sit omnibus tam presentibus quam futuris quod ego Willelmus de Solaris dedi abbacie sancti Salvatoris de Constantia et monachis ibidem deo servientibus ecclesiam de Alingeham que est in honore sancte Marie et omnium sanctorum cum omnibus beneficiis ad eam pertinentibus et in eadem villa dimidiam quarruquariam terre et viginti acras prati et tres acras ad edificium domuum suarum et omnem communionem in terris pascuis et aquis

Hanc donacionem dedi ego Willelmus liberam et quietam ab omni servicio in perpetuam elemosinam pro anima mea et pro animabus antecessorum meorum et pro anima consulis Ricardi avunculi mei

	His testibus	Jordano
Taissen	Nicholas de Vem'	Radulfo de Vals
Henrice de Agnis	Hugone de Lingeur	
Johanne Louel		

Facta est hac carta anno domini m^o c^o lx^o iiii^o.

Seal, round, about 35mm., natural colour wax, green varnish, slightly worn at sides, on doubled tag, in torn dark brown cloth wrapping. A hound passing from right to left.

A legend (worn and illegible).

Letters Patent of Adam de Hale, Keeper of the
 spirituality of the bishopric of Winchester sede vacante,
 announcing that he has admitted and instituted dominus
 Robertus called Rotarius, priest, to the vicarage of the
 church of Ellingham at the presentation of brother Thomas,
 proctor of the abbey of St Sauveur of Coutances.

Winchester 6 May 1260

Seal of the consistory of Winchester, pointed oval,
 about 45 x 30mm., brownish wax, on doubled tag. Two panels:
 in the upper which is slightly smaller, two saints, half
 length; in the lower, two prelates three quarter length.
 SIG: CONSISTORII WINTONIENSIS. On a strip between the
 two compartments, JUSTE JUBILATE. The seal is in a
 green cloth case.

l. m

Eton
(81 - 91)

a1 ✓

Grant by John Buyteh, of Eton, to Roger Daye,
of the same, of an acre in Eton in Midforlong between
land of Walter Chapman and land sometime of Guy de
Guldesborough in breadth, extending at each end upon land
of William de Stratton, Knight, in length.

Witnesses: John Jourdelay, Nicholas Medeforde,
Henry Jourdelay, Henry Hondesworth,
Richard Inthelane.

Eton, 17 November 1368

Doubled tag for Seal, which is missing

l. m

Licence to the parishioners of Eton to grant in frankalmoin any of their lands to the Provost and College of Eton or to the finding of any light before the high altar or any image in the church of Eton or to the maintenance of any service there. And licence for the College to receive the same.

Witnesses: The archbishop of Canterbury, the bishops of Salisbury and Chichester, the dukes of Gloucester, Exeter and Buckingham, the marquesses of Dorset and Suffolk, the earls of Salisbury and Shrewsbury, the viscount Beaumont, Sir Ralph Cromwell and Sir Ralph Botiller, Knights.

Westminster, 25 June 1446.

[By the King and of the said date by authority of Parliament]

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited blue and white silk cords and gold thread.

Decorative penwork on top line.

[This grant does not appear to have been enrolled. Another copy of it is found at Eton College Records vol. XXXIX no.62]

l. m

List of lands granted by Henry VI to Eton College and resumed and taken from the College by Edward IV by an act in his first Parliament:-

-) The manor of Preston, the manor of Hoo, with the pension of Lewes. In the hands of Sir John Fogge.
-) The manor of Charlton, the priory of Bekford. In the hands of the College of Fodringay.
-) The priory of Tottenbek. In the hands of the church warden of Berking chapel.
-) The manor of Querle, the manor of Chesynbury. Now belonging to St. Katharine by the Tower of London.
-) The priory of Durest. In the hands of the abbot of Teuxbury.
-) The priory of Sherborne. Now belonging to Goddis ^{House} at Southampton.
-) The priory of Cowyk. Now in the hands of the abbot of Tavesteke.
-) The priory of Beggere. Now belonging to Mountgrace.
-) The manors of Lesyngham, Horstede and Tofts. Now in the hands of King's College, Cambridge.
-) The priory of Uphaven with the chapel of Charleton. In the hands of the priory of Yvechyrche.
-) The manor of Banstede with Wauton with the pension of St. Albans, the manor of Langley Marys with Whrerysbury, late in the hands of queen Elizabeth.
-) The manor of Grovebury with Leighton Busard, in the hands of the College of Windsor.
-) The manor of the Moot beside Windsor, purchased by the late bishop of Winchester, now in the hands of the King.

-) The hospital of St. John Dorchester. Now, in the hands of master Richard Hille.
-) The priory of Brymesfeld. Now in the hands of the Duchess of York.
-) The pension of the priory of Fulston. Now in the hands of Thomas Asshe.
-) The water mill beside Goryng. Late in the hands of Edward Aylesmere.
-) The pensions of the vicarage of Morton and of the church of Fulbourne, the fee farm ^{or annuity} of the manor of Glomere [?Colemore]. Now in the King's hands.
-) The poort of the priory of Tykford in the county of Bucks.

Presumably before 17 July 1467 (when some of these properties were restored. E.C.R. vol. XXXIX no. 129)

a roll of 2ms.

Petition to queen Elizabeth I by the Colleges
of Eton and King's Cambridge to be free from purveyors.
Former statutes and patents are referred to.

2fs.

[Freedom from purveyance was included in patents of
liberties granted to the College on 11 July 1565
and 28 October 1566. Calendar of Patent Rolls,
1563 - 1566, nos 1752 and 2673].

Annotated draft of petition from the College
for exemption from subsidies, with references to the
Pipe Rolls.

Elizabeth I

A roll of 12 sheets of paper.

Draft of grant by the Queen to Sir Henry Savyle,
Provost, and the College of Eton of freedom from royal
purveyors. Signed by Edward Coke, attorney general.

[1596 - 1603]

No such grant has been found on the Patent Rolls

lm.



Account of John Hales, first bursar, of his administration for the period 30 July to 19 November 1609. With figures corrected and filled in by Nathanael Brent, vice-custos.

4fs.

[It is to be observed that Hales did not become a Fellow of Eton till 24 May 1613. He became a Fellow of Savile's college, Merton, in 1606, but was certainly at Eton some years before becoming a Fellow there, helping Savile with the production of his Chrysostom].

Annotated and corrected, Draft of Indenture,
 [] 1627, of grant by William Heather, of
 Westminster, esquire, doctor of music, for 10s, to the
 Provost and College of an annuity or yearly rent
 charge of 58s from two messuages and two barns with
 two garden plots and two orchards and two parcels of
 land adjoining, containing in all 4 acres 1 rood, in
 the parish of Chislehurst, co. Kent, which he had
 lately purchased from Henry Ellis and John Frith by
 deed indented, bearing date 11 April 1626. To hold
 upon trust for the increase and bettering of the
 commons of the fellows, singing men, scholars,
 choristers and servants of the College on the Thursday
 before the day of election of scholars at their several
 tables in the College hall, with so much meat and wine
 at the discretion of the bursars as shall amount to
 the several sums of money hereafter expressed, viz.
 for the fellows' table 4s:4d, for the singingmen or
 gentlemen's table 8s:4d, for the scholars' table
 13s:4d, for the servants' table 2s. In the forenoon
 of the said Thursday a sermon to be preached by a
 sufficient and fit scholar, for which he is to receive
 20s, and twelve poor persons, such as usually receive
 alms at the College gate, to receive 12d apiece.
 Apart from attending the service and sermon, the
 scholars to be free on that day to play and recreate
 themselves.

10fs.

Indenture of bargain and sale, 27 December 1736, by Sir Thomas Reeve, Knight, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, and Richard Mead, of the parish of St. George the Martyr, co. Middlesex, doctor of physick, the two surviving executors of the will of Richard Topham, late of New Windsor, co. Berks, deceased, to the Provost and Fellows of Eton of all the books prints and drawings of the said Topham, upon trust to preserve the same for the purpose declared in a codicil dated 19 June 1730 to his will (dated 2 June 1729), namely that the books prints and drawings "which he had collected with great care and expence might be carefully preserved and kept together and be of use to learned and skillful persons ... upon special trust and confidence that they "(the executors)" should cause the same to be placed in some publick repository where they may be carefully preserved and where all the prints and drawings and all other loose and single sheets shall be kept locked up in proper presses or cases for the safe keeping and preserving them where all learned and skillful persons may at reasonable times resort and have a reasonable use of the same, sufficient care and caution being taken that the same may not be diminished or receive any damage thereby... and that his executors... should have a power reserved to them of visiting the said books and drawings once in every year or oftner as they should see occasion and examining if the same are carefully preserved and kept without damage and of rectifying any abuses or neglect in the same, And they are earnestly desired to visit and examine accordingly as often as need shall require". The Provost and Fellows undertake to "sett up and place all the said books, prints and drawings in the lower part of the

middle room of the New Library belonging to their College, and that all the said prints and drawings and all other loose and single sheets shall be kept lockt up in the wire presses in the said room, and that they the said Provost and Fellows and their successors shall and will from time to time and at all times thereafter carefully preserve and duly keep all the said books, prints and drawings respectively in the said room and presses And that all learned and skillful persons shall and may at all seasonable times have resort to and a reasonable use of the said books, prints and drawings". And the College shall "appoint one or more proper person or persons who shall reside and attend in the said College for the taking care of the said books, prints and drawings and for the shewing thereof to all learned and skillful persons who shall desire to see the same".

Signatures of Reeve and Mead.

Witnesses: James Head, Avery Tyrrell, Richard Bruncker.

Two Seals, oval, 17 x 14mm., red wax, applied. Bad impressions. Armorial. Perhaps impressions of the same seal.

Endorsed

The Counterpart sealed with the College Seal
 exchang'd for this Jan.^y 8. 1736

The Books Prints and Drawings methodis'd and
 catalogued by Stephen Sleech and John Reynoldes,
 Fellowes. 1737

l. m.

Indented schedule, pertaining to a lease of the Spittle, of arable and meadow lands abutting on lands of Sir Edward Walpole and others.

second half of 18th cent.

lm.

Agreement, 10 November 1848, between the Provost and College and Thomas Batcheldor, gent., their lessee, and the Windsor Staines and South Western Railway Company, with a coloured plan, scale 2 $\frac{2}{3}$ chains to an inch, measuring 2ft 5ins x 1ft 6ins, showing the extension of the said railway across the island and fishery called Blackpots, the property of the College, leased to Batcheldor

Seals, red wax, applied, of the company and of Batcheldor.

4 large parchment sheets, the map and sheet of paper

Grovebury alias Leighton Buzzard,

co. Bedford.

(92,93)

Grovebury, with members.

Account of John Marram, bailiff. Mich 1429 -

Mich. 1430

The members include Billington, Heath, Reach, Eggington, Clipstone, Bury, Bow Brickhill, Sympson, Caldecote, Radnage, (Redenhach), Kingscote, Stewkley, and Studham.

Peter's Pence amounting to 3s:4d is paid by the tenantry within the lordship at Michaelmas. And this sum is paid to the bishop of Lincoln at Lammas day.

a roll of 2ms.

Right hand indenture of fine, Michaelmas 1446, at Westminster, the Provost and College of Eton quer. against William, marquess of Suffolk, and Alice, his wife, concerning the manor house of Grovebury alias Leghton Busard, co. Bedford, and the church of Tyntagell, co. Cornwall, and lands in Neweford and Blanford, co. Dorset, Stukeleye, Northalle, Edelesburgh and Redenache, co. Bucks, Portesmouthe and Burghesge, co. Hants., Stodeham [co. Herts rectius Beds], Compton St. John, co. Sussex.
For 1000l.

[Printed in Dorset Feet of Fines, 1327-1485, (1910)]

A Roll of 2 ms

Hullavington (Cratford) co. Wilts

(94 - 98)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 4]

It is indeed to be regretted that these four important documents (94 to 97) relating to the priory of Hullavington or ~~C~~atford did not come to light in time for my Hullavington volume. I have handled no more beautifully written document at Eton than this confirmation by Hubert Walter (94).

Many of the Norman place names mentioned in Pope Alexander III's bull of 1179 (96) remain to be identified.

Confirmation by Hubert Walter, archbishop of Canterbury, to the monastery of St. Victor en Caux of all its possessions in England viz. the manor of Humlavintona (Hullavington, co Wilts) and the church of the said manor and the church of Serendana (Surrendell in Hullavington); a ~~knatt~~ (hospes) at Namesberia (Malmesbury, co. Wilts); the church of Strafella (Stratfield Mortimer, co Berks); with the land pertaining and all the tithe of the whole demesne of Hugh Mortimer there, the tithe of his pannage there and at Christmas a pig of the medium size, and from his wood as much as is necessary for repairing the church or houses of the monks there and for firewood, and pasture for twelve oxen and the tithes of all Hugh's men in the said vill of Strafella; the church of Ordia (Headbourne Worthy, co. Hants) and pasture there for twelve oxen and a hundred sheep and the tithe of the mill; the manor of Clafort (Catford, co. Wilts); at Bertona (Barton Stacey, co Hants) a hide of arable and seven cottars; at Serventon (Swarraton, co. Hants) the tithe of all the demesne of Ralph de Walterivilla and the land of Blachemannus; at Sumborna (King's Somborne, co. Hants) two parts of the tithe of all the demesne and one cottar; at Nortona (Norton in Selbourne, co Hants) the tithe of the demesne of Evrard; at Badesiam (North Baddesley, co. Hants) the church and tithe; at Boteliam (Botley, co Hants) and Otoburna (Otterbourn, co Hants) the tithe of Robert and of the mill. The same had been confirmed by R. sometime archbishop of Canterbury.

(1198 - 1205)

l. m

H. dei gracia Cantuariensis archiepiscopus totius Anglie primas universis Sancte Matris Ecclesie filiis ad quos presentes littere pervenerint salutem in vero salutari Quoniam diebus nostris exquisitis calumpnantium versutiis veritas multipliciter impugnatur et quies juste possidentium molestatur assidue, necesse est ea que intuitu pietatis deo et ecclesie collata noscuntur et scripti et testium patrocinio communiri

Inde est quod ad universitatis vestre noticiam volumus pervenire nos concessisse et presenti carta confirmasse cenobio Sancti Victoris de Calz et fratribus Christo ibidem militantibus omnes possessiones quas in presentiarum in Anglia juste et canonicè adeptas possident aut in posterum justis modis poterunt adipisci in quibus hec propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis totum manerium de Humlavintona et ecclesiam eiusdem manerii et ecclesiam de Serendana cum pertinenciis earundem, hospitem unum apud Mamesberiam, ecclesiam de Strafella cum terra ad eandem pertinente, omnes decimas de toto dominio Hugonis de Mortuo Mari in eadem villa, decimam de pasnagio suo, ibidem et ad natale porcum unum de mediocribus, de bosco eciam ipsius Hugonis quantum necesse fuerit ad reficiendam predictam ecclesiam vel domos monachorum pretaxatorum ibidem constitutis et ad ignem faciendum, pascua quoque duodecim boum et decimas omnium hominum prefati Hugonis in prefata villa de Strafella, ecclesiam de Ordia cum universis eiusdem pertinenciis pascua eciam ibidem duodecim boum et centum ovium et decimam molendini, manerium de Clafort, apud Bertonam unam hidam terre et septem ceteros, apud Serventon decimam totius domini Radulfi de Walterivilla et terram Blachemanni, apud Sumbornam duas partes decime de omni dominio et ceterum unum, apud Nortonam decimam de dominio Evrardi, apud Badesham ecclesiam et decimam, apud Boteliam et Otoburnam decimam Roberti et decimam

molendini Prenominatas quidem possessiones
 sicut predicto cenobio et fratribus ibidem constitutis
 collate sunt et autentico instrumento R. bone memorie
 quondam Cantuariensis archiepiscopi predecessoris nostri
 eisdem rationabiliter confirmate sunt nos quoque
 concedimus et confirmamus et presentis scripti patrocinio
 communimus statuentes et sub interminatione anathematis
 prohibentes nequis hanc nostre confirmationis paginam
 infringere vel ei aliquatenus temere contraire presumat

 His testibus Magistro Willelmo de Len
 Magistro Andrea de Bedingham Magistro Gervasis
 de Hobrige Magistro Johanne de Tinemte
 Magistro Adam de Wasingham Magistro Roberto
 de Bristelde Johanne de Cantia cum multis
 aliis.

Seal of the Archbishop, green wax, on doubled tag, only
 the central part surviving, approx. 40 x 40mm.

.....US DEI GRA..... [B.M.Cat.1187].

There is no counterseal. In a black cloth case.

1. m

Mandate by pope Gregory IX to the abbot and prior of Winchcombe, in the diocese of Worcester, to hear and settle a cause upon the complaint of Matthew, perpetual vicar of the church of Hullaington, that the abbot and convent of S. Victor, patrons of the said church, which they hold to their proper uses, receive so much from the issues of the same yearly that he is not able to support himself adequately on the residue and maintain the episcopal dues and other burdens of the same. Lateran, 7 June 1240.

Gregorius episcopus servus servorum dei Dilectis
 filiis abbati et priori de Winchecumbe Wigorniensis
 diocesis salutem et apostolicam benedictionem
 Matheus perpetuus vicarius ecclesie de Hadlavint' nobis
 exposuit conquerendo quod abbas et conventus monasterii
 sancti Victoris patroni ejusdem ecclesie quam propriis
 tenent usibus deputatam Saresbiriensis diocesis tantum
 percipiunt de ipsius ecclesie proventibus annuatim quod
 ipse de residuo non potest congrue sustentari et
 episcopalia ac alia onera ipsius ecclesie sustinere
 Ideoque discretioni vestre per apostolica scripta
 mandamus quatinus partibus convocatis audiatis causam
 et appellatione remota fine debito terminetis facientes
 quod decreveritis per censuram ecclesiasticam firmiter
 observari Testes autem qui fuerint nominati si se
 gratia odio vel timore subtraxerint per censuram eandem
 appellatione cessante cogatis veritati testimonium
 perhibere.

Datum Laterani vii Idus Junii Pontificatus
 nostri anno quartodecimo

String for Bulla which is missing.

l. m

Inspeximus, 9 August 1249, by Odo, archbishop of Rouen, of a bull of Pope Alexander III, dated 1179, confirming to the abbey of S. Victor en Caux its possessions, including those in England.

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos littere presentes pervenerint frater Odo permissione Rothomagensis ecclesie minister indignus salutem et sinceram caritatem in domino Jhesu Christo Noveritis nos anno domini m. cc. xl. nono mense Augusti litteras domini pape bullatas nec abolitas nec cancellatas necque in aliqua parte sui viciatas inspexisse in hec verba

Alexander episcopus servus servorum dei dilectis filiis Wankelino abbati monasterii sancti Victoris ejusque fratribus tam presentibus quam futuris regularem vitam professis in perpetuum Religiosam vitam eligentibus apostolicum convenit adesse presidium ne forte cujuslibet temeritatis incursus aut eos a proposito revocet aut robur quod absit/sacre religionis infringat

Eapropter dilecti in domino filii vestris justis postulationibus clementer annuimus et monasterium vestrum in quo divino mancipati estis obsequio sub beati Petri et nostra protectione suscipimus et presentis scripti privilegio confirmamus In primis siquidem statuentes ut ordo monasticus qui in eodem monasterio secundum domini et beati Benedicti regulam institutus esse dinoscitur perpetuis ibidem temporibus inviolabiliter observetur

Preterea quascumque possessiones quecumque bona prefatum monasterium in presentiarum rationabiliter possidet aut in futurum concessione pontificum largitione regum vel principum oblatione fidelium seu aliis justis modis prestante domino poterit adipisci firma vobis vestrisque successoribus et illibata permaneant In quibus hec propriis duximus exprimenda vocabulis

Apud sanctum Victorem decimam thelonei et in eodem territorie duas carrucas terre et totam decimam ejusdem parrochie necnon et decimas totius domini Hugonis de Mortuo Mari in Normannia Terram de Vinea ex dono Roberti Loremarii Terras quoque quas Herardus Walbertus Amfredus Bertrannus Amfredus Turmoldus et Natalis prefato Hugone tenebant cum earum hospitibus

Ex dono Ade de sancto Laurentie viginti acras terre
juxta viam que ducit a sancto Victore ad Brachetuit

Et undecim^m acras inter Birrium et viam ad boscum
Roardi Apud Fraxinetum ecclesiam cum decima et
terras quas dedit Rogerius de sancto Victore cum earum
hospitibus

Terram quoque quam vobis dedit ibidem Robertus de
Alneto cum multa ejusdem terre Ex dono Galteri
Blondi quatuor acras terre in eadem villa [....] unius
domus juxta monasterium Juxta viam Fraxineti tres
acras terre Apud Juliacum ecclesiam cum decima

terram quoque unius vavassoris et terram unius rustici

Apud Birrium unam carrucatum terre Apud
[...puis] ecclesiam cum decima et carrucatum terre cum
hospitibus in eadem terra manentibus Terram Huelini

de Valle et terram Guariboldi Apud Coriletum duos
hospites Apud Huammains quinque hospites et unum
in monte et terram quam tenet Willelmus Ruffus

Apud Caminum vavassorum unum Apud Normannaiac
tres vavassores et unum rusticium Apud Vassumvillam
duos vavassores et duo molendina Apud Escrepenseium

duos rusticos Apud Alencentot tenimentum unius
vavassoris et trium rusticorum Apud Gruemare

tenementum unius vavassoris Apud Spinetum unius
rustici Apud Testes hospitem unum Decimam

eciam molendinorum Walterii Pasnage et de Roart
Campartagia terre que infra viam que ducit de Riparia
ad Cansel et ad vallem sancti Victoris Ex dono

Willelmi Pasnage viginti solidos in molendinis suis
Apud Annavil duas partes decime totius parrochie

Decimam molendini Amelii Ex dono Rogerii de
sancto Laurentio terram de Brantuit Apud sanctum

Helerium ecclesiam cum decima Decimam etiam molendini
et theloni ejusdem ville et decem solidos de redditu ipsius

In molendino de Daencuit dimidium modium frumenti

Apud sanctum Hilarium terram Radulfi Picerne terram
sancte Columbe Apud Pelecot terram duorum hospitem

Ex dono Radulfi de Mortuo Mari viginti minas bladi
in molendino de Toueia Apud Vassumvillam ecclesiam
cum decima Apud Wellas duas partes decime terre quam
tenet Brianus de Brantun Apud Predosam villam

ecclesiam cum decima et terram unius carruce cum decem
mansuris Ex dono Ivenis de Buse septem acras terre

Apud sanctum Remigium ecclesiam cum decima

Capellam de Betencurt cum decima De dono Galonis
presbyteri unam mansuram et duas acras in Tangraual

Apud Daencurt ecclesiam cum decima duas acras terre

De dono Walteri Manselli duas acras De dono

Rogeri de Valle terram de Malo Nido Apud sanctum
Ricarrum ecclesiam cum decima et quinque hospitibus ad
eandem ecclesiam pertinentibus Apud Alnetum capellam

cum decima Ex dono Roberti de Alneto duas acras
terre et unam mansuram Ex dono Rogerii Baillet unam
acram terre De dono Beatricis filie Roberti de Alneto

unam mansuram ac duodecim acras terre Apud sanctum
Ricarrum decimam thelonei et molendinorum et in eisdem
quatuordecim minas frumenti Unam acram terre super

molendinum Ex dono Mabilie de sancto Laurentis et Ade
filii ejus terram quam tenebant in eadem parrochia

Capellam sancti Silvestri Apud Wigellam majorem
partem totius decime et unum hospitem Apud Spinetum
decimam molendinorum et quatuordecim minas frumenti

Apud sanctum Germanum duas guerbas totius decime

Apud sanctum Albinum medietatem ville Apud

Bernovillam terram Helebordi Barbati Et manerium
Hunlovinton' Apud Momesberiam unum hospitem

Ecclesiam Hunlovinton' Ecclesiam de Serendan' cum omnibus
earum pertinentiis Ecclesiam de Strafoille, capellam
de Wesfoille cum terris ad ipsam pertinentibus

Ecclesiam de Ordia cum decimis consuetudinibus et terris
ad ipsam spectantibus Ex dono Hugonis id quod habetis

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apud Claford Apud Bertonam unam idam terre et
 septem cocteros Apud Serventon decimam dominii
 Radulfi de Walteri villa Et terram Blakemen
 Apud Soborn' duas partes decime dominii predicti
 Hugonis et unum cocterum Apud Norton decimam de
 dominio Evardi Apud Badeleiam ecclesiam et decimam
 terre Roberti et decimam molendini Apud Mers unam
 carrucatum terre et septem ortos et duas guervas de
 quatuor culturis Tertiam partem totius decime terre
 sancti Victoris Et in foresta Dauil de mortuo bosco
 usum nostrum Ex dono regis Stephani decem libratas
 terre inter Breielleum et Berkestal Ex dono Hugonis
 archiepiscopi Rothomagensis ecclesiam de Ogifvilla
 Et ecclesiam sancti Albini ultra nemora Ecclesiam
 beati Thome martiris cum prato de Spina Ecclesiam
 sancti Macuti de Folevilla Sexaginta acras terre
 et sex hospites de dono Willelmi Pasnage Ex dono
 Willelmi de Ripparia quinque solidates et quatuor
 denariatas terre et unam acram terre Ex dono
 Willelmi filii ejus novem solidatas terre Apud
 Dragevillam duas guervas decime septem hospitem Ex
 dono Eustachii Caisnes decem minas avene Ex dono
 Rogeri Peiet duas acras terre Ex dono Ade de sancto
 Laurentis unam acram terre Ecclesiam de Belenconbria
 cum pertinentiis suis et decimam molendinorum et censuum
 atque theloni ejusdem ville Ecclesiam de Capremonte
 cum medietate ejusdem ville sicut vobis concessa est
 libera et quieta ab omni exactione et consuetudine seculari
 Ecclesiam sancti Audoeni de silva cum pertinentiis
 suis et decem acras terre Apud Brachetuit ecclesiam
 cum pertinentiis suis et quatuor acras terre et quatuor
 mansuras Apud montem David duas mansuras
 Ex dono Radulfi de Cresi duas mansuras apud Monteriolum
 Ex dono Walteri de Bellemente viginti et sex acras in
 monte Maugers Ex dono Radulfi de Walteri villa terram

quam tenuit Robertus filius Thome Apud Greuosam
villam decem solidos Ex dono Hamelini comitis de
Warenia viginti solidos Apud Benais duas guerdas
decime de terra Willelmi Wasptree Apud Filelin de
dono Mathei de Clere triginta acras terre Ex dono
Hugonis Talebot apud Wanneville tenimentum duorum
vavassorum Apud Seuit ecclesiam cum decima et aliis
pertinentiis suis Apud Arres tertiam partem decime
Ecclesiam de Destrebou Apud Salmas terram
duorum rusticorum Apud Querquetum duas partes decime
unius girruce† Apud Ulteriorum Postum unum hospitem
et terram quam dedit Robertus de Summeri Apud
Boseriam unum hospitem De dono Roberti de Uglevilla
unum modium bladi et tres acras terre apud Groffai
Apud Sanctam Bouam duas partes decime triginta acrarum
terre de feudo Radulfi de Bello Campo Libertates
quoque et immunitates a regibus et principibus
rationabiliter monasterio nostro indultas et scripto
auctentico roboratas vobis et eidem monasterio
nichilominus confirmamus Sane novalium vestrorum
que propriis manibus vel sumptibus colitis sive de
nutrimentis animalium vestrorum nullus a vobis decimas
presumat exigere In parochialibus vero ecclesiis
quas habetis liceat vobis clericos eligere et episcopo
presentare quibus si idonei fuerint episcopus animarum
curam committat ut ei de spiritualibus vobis vero de
temporalibus debeant respondere Liceat quoque vobis
clericos et laicos liberos et absolutos a seculo fugientes
ad conversionem recipere et eos absque ullius
contradictione in vestro collegio retinere Prohibemus
insuper ut nulli fratrum vestrorum post factam in eodem
loco professionem fas sit nisi arctioris religionis
obtentu sine abbatis sui licencia de eodem claustro
discedere Discedentem verp sine communium litterarum
cautione nullus audeat retinere Cum autem generale

† presumably carruce

interdictum terre fuerit liceat vobis clausis januis,
expulsis excommunicatis et interdictis, non pulsatis
campanis, suppressa voce divina officia celebrare

Obeunte vero te nunc ejusdem loci abbat^{is} vel tuorum
quolibet successorum nullus ibi qualibet subreptionis
astucia seu violentia preponatur nisi quem fratres
communi assensu vel fratrum pars consilii sanioris
secundum deum et beati Benedicti regulam providerint
eligendum

Sepulturam quoque ipsius loci liberam
esse decernimus ut eorum devotioni et extreme voluntati
qui se illic sepeliri deliberaverit (sic) nisi forte
excommunicati vel interdicti sint nullus obsistat salva
tamen justitia illarum ecclesiarum a quibus mortuorum
corpora assumuntur

Decernimus ergo ut nulli omnino
hominum liceat prefatum monasterium temere perturbare
aut ejus possessiones auferre vel ablatas retinere
minuere seu quibuslibet vexationibus fatigare sed omnia
integra conserventur eorum pro quorum gubernatione ac
substantatione concessa sunt usibus omnimodis profutura

Salva sedis apostolice auctoritate et diocesani
episcopi canonica justitia Si qua igitur in futurum
ecclesiastica secularis^{ve} persona hanc vestre constitutionis
paginam sciens contra eam temere venire temptaverit secundo
tercio^{ve} commonita nisi reatum suum digna satisfactione
correxerit potestatis honorisque sui dignitate careat
reamque se divino judicio existere de perpetrata iniquitate
(sic) cognoscat et a ^osanctissimo corpore ac sanguine dei et
domini redemptoris nostri Jhesu Christi aliena fiat atque
in extremo examine districte ultioni subjaceat

Cunctis autem eidem loco sua jura servantibus sit pax
domine nostri Jhesu Christi Quatinus et hic fructum
bone actionis percipiant et apud districtum judicem
premia eterne pacis inveniant Amen Amen

Datum Velletri per manum Alberti sancte Romane
ecclesie presbiteri cardinalis et cancellarii iiii nonas
Februarii Indictione xii Incarnationis dominice anno

m. c. lxx. viii^o Pontificatus vero domini Alexandri
pape iiii anno xxi

Seal, B.M. no. 18,373, green wax, on doubled tag,
the tags pasted to emerge, one at the bottom of the
seal, the other at right angles from the middle of the
left side. A little is missing at the top and the
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AGN ARCHIE..

The Counterseal perfect

l. m

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Grant in frankalmoign by Ralph de Creddeulle to the church of St Victor in Caux and Bartholomew, the abbot, and the monks there, at the instance of brother Reginald, prior of Hullaington, of a piece of land called Refelonde in the field of Hullaington and a piece of land called Foluaremede next le Sperte; and quitclaim of the toll which he has been used to receive from the men of Hullaington, together with an acre of land sown with corn which he has received yearly from the abbey. The grantee has paid 12 marks silver.

Hullaington 30 September 1271

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Radulphus de
 Creddeuuelle dedi concessi et hac presenti carta mea
 confirmavi in liberam puram et perpetuam elemosinam deo
 et ecclesie Sancti Victoris in Caletio et domino
 Bartholomeo abbati et monachis ibidem deo seruiantibus
 et ad instanciam fratris Reginaldi tunc prioris de
 Hunlavinton quandam particulam terre que vocatur
 Refelonde in campo de Hunlavinton et unam particulam
 terre que vocatur Foluaremede juxta la Sperte
 Remisi eciam et quietum clamavi pro me et pro heredibus
 meis imperpetuum eisdem abbati et conventui theoloneum
 de Hunlavinton quod ab hominibus ejusdem ville percipere
 consuevi cum una acra terre quam frumento inbladatum
 annuatim ab eisdem abbate et conventu percipere consuevi

Habendam et tenendam totam predictam terram cum
 pratis et theoloneo predicto et omnibus aliis pertinenciis
 suis predictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus
 ad emendationem manerii eorum de Hunlavinton libere quiete
 bene et in pace jure elemosinacie imperpetuum

Pro hac autem donatione et concessione mea dederunt mihi
 predicti abbas et conventus per manus predicti fratris
 Reginaldi tunc prioris de Hunlavinton duodecim marcas
 argenti

Et ego Radulphus et heredes mei totam
 predictam terram cum pratis et theoloneo predicto et
 omnibus aliis pertinenciis suis prenomatis predictis
 abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus ad emendationem
 manerii eorum de Hunlavinton contra omnes mortales
 imperpetuum warantizabimus acquietabimus et defendemus

Et ut hec mea donacio et concessio robur
 perpetuitatis in se optineant hanc cartam eisdem abbati
 et conventui feci et eam sigillo meo signavi

Hiis
 testibus domino Johanne de Eston Johanne et
 Roberto Sturay Willelmo Baillemund Ricardo de
 Sterkele Willelmo de Clatford Roberto de
 Bradefeld Radulpho et Hugone Roylly Johanne

et Willelmo de Crabwelle et multis aliis Data apud
Hunlavinton die Mercurii proxima post festum sancti
Michaelis anno domini m. cc. septuagesimo primo Regnante
domino nostro rege Henrico filio regis Johannis anno
quingagesimo quinto

Seal, pointed oval, 33 x 22mm., natural colour wax,
on doubled tag. A flower (thistle) with a bird
(?goldfinch) perched on leaves on either side of
stem. S^r. RAD'I DE HUNLAVENTON'

l. m.

Receipt by Robert Warde, vicar of Hullavington, for
27s: 8d from Giles Ivy, gentleman, for his half year's
pension

20 April 1568,

Signature of Warde, who also wrote the document.

Seal, round, 12mm, impressed within a paper
turn-over R W.

1f.

London, Westminster

(99)

Receipt by Thomas Ruston, monk and cellarer of the monastery of the blessed Peter of Westminster, from master Roger Malmesbury, master of the hospital of St. James, of 20s yearly rent issuing from the lands and fields called Kyngesdown belonging to the said hospital.

25 June 1466.

Seal of the office of cellarer, oval, 28 x 23mm, bronze wax, on tongue. In a central canopied niche the Virgin, in two other niches, a little lower, on either side, female saints, underneath a figure kneeling in prayer. MATER MISERERE

[By Letters Patent of 17 July 1467 the reversion of the Hospital of St. James was granted to the College upon the death, cession or resignation of Roger Malmesbury, King's clerk, the warden (Eton College Records vol. XXXIX, no. 129. Calendar of Patent Rolls, 1467 - 1477 p.63). The property had originally been granted to the College on 30 October 1449 (Eton College Records vol. XXXK, no. 100. Calendar of Patent Rolls, 1446 - 1452 p.296)]

l. m

Minster Lovell, co. Oxford.

(100,101)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 23]

Bond by Bartholomew Chawney, of Ascot, co. Oxford, yeoman, and Philip Faynton, of Mynsterlovell, yeoman, to the Provost and College in 40l for the observance of the terms of an indenture of this date.

1 November 1576.

Witnesses: Aquila Cooke, William Hall.

Seals and tongues missing.

l. m

Lease, 17 December 1641, by the Provost and College to Edmund Dickenson, of Minster Lovell, clerk, of a messuage or tenement with a garden plot etc [in Minster Lovell]. From Michaelmas last for 40 years. Rent 6s:8d.

The bottom and right hand side of the document have been cut and it has been used as a cover, on the outside of which is written "Anno Dni 1647"

l. m

Modbury
(102 - 107)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 1]

Indenture of receipt by William Westbury, Provost, from the prior of Modbury of 10 marks for the farm of his priory for Michaelmas last by the hands of William Henxton. 12 November 1449

The Seal of Westbury, oval, 15 x 13mm., red wax, on tongue. Armorial, the College arms. Above the shield an angel's head full face and shoulders, with the upper part of wings. A legend.

1m.

Receipt by master William Westbury, Provost, for 6l:13s:4d from the prior of Modbury for the farm of the priory from Easter last, by the hands of William Okeden, receiver of the College.

London 15 April 1456.

The Seal of William Okeden, round, 12mm., red wax, on tongue. An oak tree between WYLLM and DEN

1. m

Receipt by William Westbury, Provost, from the prior of the priory of Modbury, co. Devon, of 6l:13s:4d for the farm of his priory by the hands of John Snape. 24 April 1458.

The Seal of William Okeden, receiver of the College, red wax, on tongue, fragmentary. An oak tree between [W]YLLM and DEN.

1m.

Worshipfull and reverend I comaunde me to you and let you wete that ther hath be grete labour in the Eschêquier to discharge you of the xx marks yerely for the ferme of Modbury the wheche ye toke to ferme of the Kyng by his lettres patentes. For howe were it that the seid hole Priory of Modbury was graunted by thauctorite of Parlement to the College of Eton, yet the Barons of theschequier wold not discharge you of the said ferme of xx marks yerely. Yet they charged the Shereffs of Devonshire with the seid ferme for all the tyme that hit hath be in the College handes, and so wold have compelled the Shereffes to have leved and arrered the ferme of you ayayn the which somme drawyth for the terme of x yere beyng behyndd unpayd to the Kyng after thaire askyng to ce marks. Nevertheles nowe this terme the Shereffs be discharged by a pryve Seell that they shall avere nothyng of you therfore. For hit is determyned by theschequier that the said Priory longyth unto the College by virtue of the Kyngs graunte by thauctorite of Parlement and so youre ferme that ye toke of the Kyng is extyngt and releessed as ayenst the Kyng by vertue of the seid graunt and ye discharged therof for ever etc. Forthermore the Barons of the seid Eschequier clamyth to have of you dismes and quinsimes for the seid Priory and therof also ye be discharged for cause that ye seid priory is belongyng to the seid College of Eton, the which is discharged of paying of dymes or quinsymes by thauctorite of Parlement, and that ye be thaire fermour and apprower of the seid Priory. And they be bounden to kepe you harmeles ayenst the Kyng and all other as for any suche dute etc. And god kepe you as I wold be kept myself, and I thank you of the god chere that ye made me when I was last wyth you at Modbury. And I am youre servaunt and wold be to my power as god knowyth. Written at Cowyk

by sydes Excestre on Whitson even.

By William Okeden, Receyvour
of Eton.

To the right worshipfull and reverend sir
the Prior of Modbury.

[c.1458]

Seal, round, 15mm., red wax, applied. An oak tree
between WILLM and DEN. chipped at sides.

1f.

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Receipt by master William Westbury, Provost, for
6l:13s:4d from the prior of Modbury for the farm of the
priory for Michaelmas last 27 October 1461

Westbury's Seal, round, 12mm., red wax, on tongue.
Armorial, the College arms. Above the shield an
angel's head and wings displayed. A legend.

1m.

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Draft of Betham's instructions for Mr. Palmer
concerning Modbury 14 Feb 1773

1f.

Monks Sherborne, co. Hants.

(108)

Grant to Ingebram, the prior, of the custody without rent, of the priory of Shirburn (Monks Sherbourne, co. Hants), with the issues from the death of William, the late prior, in the King's hands on account of the war with France, by mainprize of John atte More and Roger Savage of the county of Southampton, as granted to the said William by patent of 16 October 1369

Westminster, 28 April 1380.

By p.s.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1377-1381, p. 489]

[This document owes its presence at Eton to the fact that the College held the priory for twelve years from 2 September 1446, a fact that is not recorded in the Victoria County History, Hants, vol. II, Religious Houses].

Monkton Farleigh, co Wilts, etc.

(109)

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A note of pensions due to the College from various late religious houses, viz:-

- the priory of Monkton Farleigh, co. Wilts, a pension from the manors of Welby and Navenby, co. Lincs, and Alington and Slaghenford, co. Wilts 38l.
- the abbey of Ensham(Evensham) and the priory of Oseney, a pension lately pertaining to the alien priory of Cogs, co. Oxford 20s.
- the abbey of Elstow, co. ^{ed}Bucks, for tithes on certain lands next to Bampton in Clanfield, co. Oxford . . 23s
- the priory of Montacute, co. Somerset 8l
- the priory of Hershham St Faith's, co. Norfolk 26s:8d
- the Cluniae priory of Thetford, co. Norfolk 13s:4d
- the monastery of Haghmon, co. Salop, from the rectory of Hunteton (Hunstanton), co. Norfolk 20s
- the priory of Faleston (Folkestone), co. Kent. 4l

[Hen VIII or Edw VI]

lf.

Munfichet lands, etc.

(110)

Copy of an exemplification, 20 February 1532, at the request of John de Veer, earl of Oxford, of numerous inquisitions, extents, writs, letters patent and other documents, from Henry III to Henry VIII, concerning lands sometime of Richard de Munficheb and others, in Langley, Fulmer, Wyrardisbury, co. Bucks, Great Hornead, co. Herts, Great Acle, co. Essex, Stansted Mountfichet, co. Essex, and elsewhere.

a closely written roll of 6 ms.

Ogbourne, co. Wilts, etc.
(111 - 114)

Grant by Henry III to the abbey of Bec of free warren
in all the demesne lands in the abbey's manors of Ogbourne,
co. Wilts, Combe, co. Hants, Ruislip, co. Middlesex,
Swyncombe, co. Oxford, and Weedon, co. Northants, provided
the lands are not within the bounds of the royal forests.
Penalty for any who infringe the warren 10*l*.
Marlborough 12 November 1252

[Calendar of Charter Rolls 1226-1257
p. 409]

Henricus dei gracia rex Anglie dominus Hibernie dux
Normannie Aquitanie et comes Andegavie archiepiscopis
episcopis abbatibus prioribus comitibus baronibus justiciariis
foresteriis vicecomitibus prepositis et ministris et omnibus
ballivis et fidelibus suis salutem Sciatis nos
concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse dilectis nobis
in Christo abbati et conventui de Becco quod ipsi et eorum
successores imperpetuum habeant liberam warennam in omnibus
dominicis terris suis manerii sui de Okeburn in comitatu
Wilteshir' manerii sui de Cumb' in comitatu Suthampt'
manerii sui de Risselep in comitatu Middelsex' manerii sui de
Swynecumb in comitatu Oxon' et manerii sui de Whedon in
comitatu Northampt' dum tamen terre ille non sint infra metas
forestarum nostrarum Ita quod nullus intret terras
illas ad fugandum in eis vel ad aliquid capiendum quod ad
warennam pertineat sine licencia et voluntate ipsorum abbatis
et conventus vel successorum suorum super forisfacturam
nostram decem librarum Quare volumus et firmiter
precipimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris quod predicti
abbas et conventus et eorum successores imperpetuum habeant
liberam warennam in omnibus dominicis terris suis predictorum
maneriorum suorum in comitatibus predictis dum tamen terre ille
non sint infra metas forestarum nostrarum Ita quod nullus
intret terras illas ad fugandum in eis vel ad aliquid
capiendum quod ad warennam pertineat sine licencia et
voluntate ipsorum abbatis et conventus vel successorum suorum
super foris facturam nostram decem librarum sicut predictum
est Hiis testibus venerabili patre R. Cicestrensi
episcopo Galfrido de Lezingnan fratre nostro
Humfrido de Bohun comite Hereford et Essex Gilberto
de Segrave magistro Willelmo de Kilkenny archidiacono
Covintr' Johanne de Lessinton Bartholomeo Peache
Willelmo de Chaeny Waltero de Thurkilby Imberto
Pugeys et aliis Datum per manum nostram apud Merleberg

duodecimo die Novembris anno regni nostri tricesimo septimo

The Great Seal, green wax, on plaited pink silk threads,
most of the right half missing.

OEV. ⚔A REX ANGLIE DOMINUS HYBERNIE

REV. ⚔ HEN..CUS DUX NORMANNIE ET AQUI.....E

l. m.

Letters Patent pardoning Richard, prior of Ogbourne, for receiving Richard Badecok, his servant, when indicted of the death of Walter le Vynour.

Westminster, 16 September 1332.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag, an excellent impression, but about an inch is missing on the left side.

The initial E is missing.

[Calendar of Patent Rolls, 1330-1334, p.336]

l. m.

Appointment of Thomas Cherlton, William Swanlond, William Naffreton, John Hervy and the sheriff of Middlesex (rectius Wilts), upon information that men and tenants of the prior of Okebourne (Ogbourne) in that county have withdrawn their services and confederate to resist the prior and his ministers, to cause proclamations and notices to be published, in all places in the county where expedient, requiring them to render obedience under pain of being adjudged rebels; with power to punish them at their discretion and compel them to render their customary services.

Westminster, 10 February 1389.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue, only the central part surviving.

[Calendar of Patent Rolls, 1388-1392, p.53]

l. m.

Letters Patent restoring the priory of Cowyk, co. Devon, in the diocese of Exeter, to John de Bourgeauvill, monk, priest, of the order of St. Benedict in the monastery of the Blessed Mary of Bec Helluigny, in the diocese of Rouen.

Westminster 12 February 1400.

By the King.

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on doubled tag.
the border worn away at the top.

[Cal. Patent Rolls, 1399 to 1401, p72]

l. m.

Quarley, co. Hants.

(115)

Receipt by William Ranby, registrar of the archdeacon of Winchester, from the prior of Okebourn for his temporalities at Querle 3s, for the procurations of the lords Pileus archbishop of Ravenna and William archbishop of Rouen and the venerable master Giles of St. Simon, provost of the church of St Valentine, doctor of laws, nunci of the Holy See to the parts of Flanders, viz. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d on each mark.

Winchester, 2 July 1377.

Seal, rounded oval, 21mm, green wax, left side and top missing. The Virgin and child, St. Peter on her left, both standing; beneath, under a round arch, a cleric in prayer. ..VORET ET[R] EPI[H].....

l. m

Horsham St. Faith
(116)

Draft of a warrant from the Chancellor of the Exchequer to pay the College the arrears of two pensions viz. of 16s from the parsonage of East Winch, co. Norfolk, and of 26s:8d from the late monastery of Horsham St. Faith's, co. Norfolk.

24 February 1610-11

1f.

Stanwell, co. Middx.

(117)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 37]

Rental of the manor of Faunse or Fawne in Westbedefonte
in Stanwell, co. Middlesex, of William Ferrour; made by
John Yonge, John Andrewe, William Flemynge, junior, Ralph
Ferrour and Thomas Freek. 9 December 1430

lm.

[Feet of Fines for London & Middlesex, vol.II, 1893,
p.36. Fine of 22 Henry VIII, "the manor of Fawns
and land in Bedfounte"]

Stogursey, co. Soms.

(118 - 121)

[See also E.C.R. vol.6]

Confirmation and ratification by William, abbot of the monastery of the Blessed Mary of Lonlay, of the order of St. Benedict, in the diocese of Le Mans, and the convent there, of an agreement between Thomas Prevost (Prepositus), prior of the priory of St. Andrew of Stokecurcy, and Thomas Trivet, esquire, concerning the celebration of masses three times a week and on feast days. Lonlay 31 May 1343

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

(1) About 50 x 32mm., slightly chipped at bottom.

The abbot, full face, standing, in the right hand a crozier, the curve turned outwards. On each side a branch.

[* S] GUILL.....DE LONLE[IO]

(2) About 68 x 50mm. The Virgin and Child enthroned, on either side an angel, standing; below, beneath a Gothic canopy, the abbot, full face, three quarter length, in the right hand a crozier, the curve turned inwards, in the left hand a book, On either side a praying figure quarter length.

The legend on a raised border.

† SIGILLUM.....DE LUNLEIO

Commission to Robert Tresilian and John Cary to inquire whether Thomas Provest, late prior of Stogursey, an alien priory in the king's hands on account of the war with France, cell of the abbey of Lonley in Normandy, who being seised of the advowson of the church of Wotton, co. Somerset, as appurtenant to the priory (a yearly pension of 10s being payable to the prior therefrom), forged the common seal of the priory to the letters by which he granted it about the year 20 Edward III to one John de Stonford, in fee simple, and also forged the seal of the abbey to the confirmation of the grant, thus depriving the king of the presentation upon voidance, and of the said yearly pension during the war with France, and future priors, when the war is over, of both advowson and pension.

Westminster 14 February 1384

The Great Seal, natural coloured wax, on tongue.

The upper half of the seal.

[Calendar of Patent Rolls, 1381-1385, p. 420. The date given in the enrolment is 24 February]

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Letters Patent, directed to all royal bailiffs, for the protection of Richard Amys, prior of Stokecursy, and all his goods, for one year. 6 November 1386.

The Great Seal, natural colour wax, on tongue, the half of the upper part of the seal, fragmentary.

121

Indented bill, 15 December 1494, witnessing that master John Sparke and master Edmond, bursars, have received from Thomas Colas, farmer of Teynton, 10l:6s:8d.

lf.

Stratfield Saye, co. Hants.

(122)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 18]

Bond, 1 March 1582, by Richard Harrison, of Stratfildes Saye, gent., and Thomas Harrison, esquire, his father, to the Provost and College in 300l for the observance of the terms of an indenture of 12 July 1579.

[Eton College Records vol. 18, no.57]

Signatures of grantors,

Witnesses: John Streete, Thomas Bombowe, John Dethick, public notary.

Fragments of two Seals, red wax, on tongues.

1. m

Tetsworth, co. Oxford
(123)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 19]

Receipt by John Schrovvysbury, of Tetteswourth,
from Geoffrey Pastowe of 7l:6s:8d.

29 September 1433.

Seal, round, 10mm., red wax, on tongue. A bird.

l. m.

Weedon Beck
(124-126)

[See also E.C.R. vol. 27]

A terrier of Weedon.

[Eliz.]

2fs.

Indenture of lease, 2 December 1624, by the Provost and College to Matthew Bast, of Eton, gentleman, upon surrender of a lease to Robert Wawe, of Wedon Beake, gent., and Leonard Clifford, of the same, yeoman, of two houses now in his tenure in Wedon Beake, one of them on the town green and the other on a parcel of ground between two furlongs called Greate Wheatehills and Little Wheatehills, also those parcels of ground called Rigles Way, Lewespen Way, Smythes Meade, the Towne Hadland, Debdale Way, and Monkeford Way in Weedon Beake. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent 12d and a peck of wheat and half a bushel of malt or their money equivalent.

Signature of lessee.

Witness: Henry Sayer

Seal, oval, 15 x 13mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

A swan.

1. m.

Articles of agreement, 10 April 1738, by the landholders of the parish of Weedon Beck. Twenty one signatures and marks and twenty four small applied, red wax, Seals (all the same impression) at the foot of the first page, and thirty two further signatures and marks at the foot of the second.

Endorsed: "Consented to by the Provost and Fellows Sept. 22. 1740".

2 large fs.

Miscellaneous

(127-139)

Grant by Nicholas Thede, of Harlton, to John son of Roger Carbonel, of the same, for his homage and service and 9 marks, of three acres in Harlton. Rent 6d.

[? 1260 - 1270]

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Nicholans Thede de Harlton dedi concessi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Johanni filio Rogeri Carbonel de eadem villa pro homagio et servicio suo et pro novem marchis sterlingorum quas mihi dedit premanibus tres acras terre mee cum pertinenciis insimal jacentes in campo occidentali de Harlton videlicet super Spornewolf juxta terram Johannis le Franceys

Tenendas et habendas de me et heredibus meis vel assignatis dicto Johanni et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis aut cuicumque vel quibuscumque vel quocumque dictam terram dare vendere dimittere assignare invadiere vel legare voluerit et eorum heredibus libere quiete bene in pace integre in feodo et hereditarie

Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus meis vel assignatis dictus Johannes et heredes sui vel ejus assignati sex denarios argenti ad duos anni terminos videlicet ad Pascha tres denarios et ad festum Sancti Michaelis tres denarios pro omnibus serviciis consuetudinibus sectis curiarum et pro omnibus secularibus demandis salvo servicio domini regis scilicet quantum pertinet ad tantum tenementum ejusdem feodi in eadem villa

Et ego dictus Nicholaus et heredes mei vel mei assignati warrantizabimus aquietabimus et defendemus dictas tres acras terre cum pertinenciis dicto Johanni et heredibus suis vel suis assignatis contra omnes gentes inperpetuum pro predicto servicio sicut predictum est

In cujus rei testimonium hanc presentem cartam sigilli mei impressione roboravi

Hiis testibus Willelmo Thede Ada de Wridelington
Rogero Hobekyn Roberto Gerard Rogero Julyen
Alexandre de Fonte Alexandre Erl Ricardo Begeveyn
Alexandre filio Silvestri et aliis

Doubled tag for Seal, which is missing

[The presence of this Harlton deed at Eton is perhaps associated with the yearly pension from the neighbouring church of Fulbourne granted to the College in the endowment of 1441. Eton College Records, vol. 3, no.3]

l. m

Grant by Richard son of Reginald of Lincoln to Margaret, his daughter, of a house in the parish of St. Botolph, Lincoln. Rent a clove and to the house of Kyme 12d. With warranty. ca. 1280

Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego Ricardus filius Reginaldi de Lincolnia concessi dedi et hac presenti carta mea confirmavi Margarete filie mee et heredibus suis vel assignatis quandam domum in parochia sancti Botulphi Lincoln' que contigua est domui mee frontanee quam habui de dono Jordani de Hykham Que quidem domus sita est inter terram quondam Symonis Pistoris versus aquilonem et terram fratrum hospitalis Sancti Sepulchri Linc' versus austrum cum tribus placeis curtilagii in eadem rencia ad predictam domum pertinentibus cum medietate herbagii in capite occidentali ejusdem curie cum libero introitu et exitu a via regia versus orientem usque ad aquam de Braytheford versus occidentem salva mini placia curtilagii que est propinquior vie regie tanquam diu vixero Tenendam et habendam predictae Margarete filie mee et heredibus suis vel assignatis libere quiete pacifice et integre cui et quando dare vendere legare vel assignare voluerit Reddendo inde annuatim mihi et heredibus mei vel assignatis unum clavium cariophili ad natale domini et domui ^{de} et Kyma duodecim denarios ad duos anni terminos videlicet sex denarios ad Pascha et sex denarios ad festum sancti Michaelis pro omni seculari servicio exactione et demanda Ego vero predictus Ricardus et heredes mei totam predictam domum cum tribus placeis curtilagii et cum medietate herbagii predicti predictae Margarete filie mee et heredibus suis vel assignatis ut predictum est pro predicto servicio contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus acquietabimus et defendemus perpetuum

In cujus rei testimonium presentem cartam sigilli mei impressione roboravi Hiis testibus

Rogero filio Benedicti tunc majoris Lincolnie

Willelmo de Kanewik et Gilleberto nigro tunc ballivis

Johanne Nictegal Petro ad scalar' Petro Pistore

Waltero Baios Galfrido de Crosseby Adam Acto

Fulcone Beaufou Luca Scoul Willelmo de

Bolington clerico et aliis

Seal, round, 13mm., greenish brown wax, on doubled tag.

Armorial, a scourge(?), gripped by a hand.ANUM

l. m

129

Indenture of lease for their lives by William Deveros, Knight, to Robert le Wakare of Bromyard and John, Joan and Maud, his children, of a messuage and a virgate of land in Muntrich (Mintridge, co. Devon) which Roger de Muntrich and Walter Fremon once held. Rent 16s:0⁵d, with suit of court and heriot at the death of the last of them. The lessees to maintain and repair a house and a stone chamber (cameram lapideam). With warranty.

Witnesses: Richard Broun, William Broun, Walter Smart, William Hayward, John Conyng.

Stoke Lacy 1 October 1369

Seal and doubled tag missing.

l. m

130

Indenture between John Tatersall the son of Robert Tatersall, late citizen and draper of London, and Thomas Scot, citizen and draper of London, one of the executors of the will of the said Robert, witnessing the payments that the said Thomas has made to the said John in accordance with the will, beginning from Christmas 1430 and extending to 7 August 1433.

They include a payment of 13s:4d to master Thomas Greke,

physician, for attending to the said John in his sickness,
and 14s:6d to Hennere, an apothecary, for medicines.

a roll of 3ms.

[The Thomas Scot, who appears in this deed and the next,
is presumably the Scot who became Lord Mayor of London
in 1459. He is mentioned in Eton College Records vols
35 and 36]

Bond of John Stafford, bishop of Bath and Wells,
to Anne Tatersall, widow, late the wife of Robert Tatersall,
late citizen and clothier of London, to William Estfeld,
mercier, and Thomas Scot, clothier, citizens of London,
in 33l:6s:8d; to be paid at Christmas 1435.

28 October 1434.

Seal, octagonal, 12mm., red wax, on tongue.

A rose. A legend.

1. m

Grant by Alice, relict of John Mosyer, of Borford,
co. Oxon., to John Lychefilde, her son, of all her goods
and chattels.

Witnesses: John Granger, Henry Janyns, Robert Baly,
Richard Mosyer, Robert Leveriche and others.

Borford 30 may 1477

Fragment of red wax Seal, on doubled tag.

1. m

Counterpart of lease, 2 October 1578, by the Provost and College to Morgan Appryce, of Eton, servingman, for 13l:6s:8d, of a portion of tythe called Bryansacre alias Bryanstythe, to be gathered within the fields of Elecombe in the parish of Wroughton, co. Wilts. From Michaelmas 1581, or whenever a lease to Thomas Wylkes shall expire, for 20 years. Rent 7s:6d and 4 bushels of malt.

Witnesses: John Dollin, John Dethick, the scribe.

Seal, round, 15mm., red wax, on doubled tag,

mostly broken away.

Indenture, 4 March 1617, between Thomas Trafford, of Wrixham, co. Denbigh, esquire, of one part, and Thomas Hutton, of the parish of St. Pulchers without Newgate, esquire, William Bowyer, of Histon, co. Cambridge, esquire, Thomas Hutton, of Chancery Lane, co. Middlesex, gent., Thomas Bulkeley, of Esclusham, co. Denbigh, gent., and Edward Crue, of Wrixham, co. Denbigh, gent., of the other part. Robert, late abbot of the monastery of the B.V.M. of Valle Crucis, and the convent of the same, by indenture of 10 February 1529, let to Robert Trefor, esquire, and Joan Brereton, his wife, lands and tenements sometime in the tenure of David ap Jenkyn ap Madock in Wrexham Vawr and Wrexham Vechan, to hold from 31 October 1553 for 99 years, at a rent of 23s:4d; the estate and interest in which of the said lessees is now come to the said Trafford.

By patent of 23 February 1599, the crown let to Richard Breame, Thomas Symnell and David Owen a parcel of land called Havod Yr Argloth and Havod Y Weddgar containing 100 acres of mountain land sometime called The Lord's Dayrie, co. Denbigh, being parcel of the manor of Eglwysegle, parcel of the lordship of Bromfield and Yale and late parcel of the lands of Sir William Stanley, knight, attainted, to hold for

a term of years not yet expired.

By patent, under the Exchequer Seal of 12 March 1602, the crown let to Richard Leighton, esquire, the said last recited premises, to hold from Michaelmas thia last past for 21 years; of which the estate and interest of the said Brease, Syanell, Owen and Leighton in that third part which was in the tenure of Rees ap Richard is now come to the said Trafford.

Edward, Lord Wotton of Marley, Comptroller of His Majesty's Household, and the lady Margaret, his wife, by indenture of 7 August 1607, let to Meredith Jones, of Wrexham, co. Denbigh, yeoman, two watermills in Wrexham, late in the tenure of Thomas Jones, to hold from Lady day following for 20 years; the estate and interest in which is now come to the said Trafford, who also holds an interest in various other lands and tenements within the said lordship.

In consideration of the marriage of Richard, son of the said Thomas Trafford, and Mary, second daughter of the said Thomas Hutton, and for 1000^l paid by Hutton for a marriage portion, and in pursuance of articles of an agreement dated 29 March 1616, bargain and sale by the said Thomas Trafford to the said Lowyer, Hutton, Bulkeley and Crue of all the foregoing estates.

Signature of Trafford.

Witnesses: Thomas Butler, Nicholas Paddon, John Wilkinson, Ellis Jones.

Seal, oval, 16 x 13mm., red wax, on doubled tag.

Armorial. A lion rampant.

l. m

A, B, 135 ✓

Draft of the interrogatories to be administered to witnesses to be produced on behalf of Edward Bendlowes, esq., defendant to the bill of complaint of Elizabeth Bendlowes, late wife and administratrix of William Bendlowes, gent., deceased.

after 1633

4fs.

136 ✓

Indenture of lease, 30 October 1642, by William Johnson, of Tonbridge, co. Kent., gent., to Thomas Hayward, the elder, and Thomas Hayward, the younger, his son, of Bromley, co. Kent, of a messuage called Gybbes in Bromley, excepting timber, mines and quarries. From Christmas next for 21 years. Rent 32l.

Signatures of lessees.

Witnesses: Thomas Weller, John Root, Robert [?]

Seals and tags missing.

l. m
✓

137

Counterpart of lease, 1 May 1649, by the provost and College to Robert Hamond, the elder, and Robert Hamond, the younger, gent., of their moiety of the manor of Pirton, co. Herts., with the two woods called Odingsell woods, except all great trees. From Michaelmas last for 21 years. Rent 14l:4s:5d and 10 quarters 5 bushels 2 pecks of wheat and 14 quarters 2 bushels of malt or their money equivalent and 20 good wether sheep or 6s:8d for each of such sheep and one good bear or 33s:4d.

Signatures of lessees.

Witnesses: J. Gaddesdon, Jeremy Cave,

Two Seals, red wax, on doubled tags. No impressions, leaves adhering.

[Licence to Richard Copcot and John Same to alienate this

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manor to the College on 9 July 1516 appears in Eton College Records vol. 39, no. 154].

l. m

138 ✓

Indenture of lease, 4 August 1673, by the Provost and College to Robert Collison, of Pirton, co. Herts, yeoman, and Robert Hamond, son of Robert Hamond, of the same, gent., of their moiety of the manor of Pirton with their two woods called Odingsell woods, except all great trees. From Lady day 1672 for 21 years. Rent as before.

The College Seal and tag missing.

Endorsed with an assignment by Collison, dated 1 February 1677, to Hamond of the foregoing. Signature of Collison. Witnesses: George Sayer, registrar, John Sampson. Fragment of Seal, red wax, applied.

l. m

139 ✓

Bond by John Raymond Barker, of Fairford, co. Gloucester, esquire, to the College in 200l for the observance of the terms of an indenture of this date.

31 December 1608.

Signature of Barker.

Witness: Richard Webb Jupp.

Seal. oval, 17 x 13mm., red wax, applied.

Head of classical youth.

2fs.

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Introduction

By the endowment of 25 March 1441 the College was granted a farm and rent of 100g which John Iwardeby and Joan Lynde, late the wife of William Lynde, deceased, pay yearly for the custody of the portion of the alien prioress of Clare Rivolo (Clairruissel by Gaillefontaine, in Normandy) in the church of Mapelderham alias Mapildram, co. Oxford, with the fruits, proceeds, profits and emoluments belonging to the same portion; which had been committed to them by the crown, to be held from Michaelmas 1438 for 16 years next following to be fully completed; with the reversion of the same to the College when it should befall¹.

The grant was confirmed by Edward IV on 24 February 1462²

Mapledurham is fortunate in being the subject of a full and scholarly study, The Early History of Mapledurham, by the Rev. A.H. Cooke, vicar (Oxford Record Society vol.VII, 1925). In addition to the publications of the Public Record Office, to manuscripts belonging to the Blount family and to various other sources, Dr. Cooke made use of the documents at Eton catalogued herewith. The numbers assigned here to the various Hughs de Gournay are those used by Cooke.

The greater number of the Mapledurham records at Eton date from the period of William Day who was vicar from 1637 to 1684. He was a litigious man who was most jealous of the rights of his vicarage. There is a mass of papers relating to his lawsuits, mainly concerned with the payment of tythes, both copies of the proceedings, which could be followed further in the Public Record Office, and transcripts and office copies of historical ^{documents} copies bearing upon his claims. Many of these copies were transcribed into a vellum folio which is kept in the parish chest.

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1. Eton College Records vol III.
2. Eton College Records vol XXXIX no. 127

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perhaps not much later in date.

Noel Blakiston

Deeds

(1 - 52)

Notarial instrument, certified by Peter Barate, priest, of the diocese of Bayeux, notary public, 14 November 1480, consisting of copies of the following:-

(1) Agreement between the prioress and nuns of Clarus Rivus, rectors of the church of Mapeldureham and Geoffrey de Chauseya, Knight, concerning a third part of the tythes of his demesne in Mapeldureham, and all the tythe of all his assarts and of hay, and the lesser tythes, and a third part of the tythes of the land of Robert Frankeleien, to wit all those tythes which mother church ought to receive, those which the chapel has been accustomed to receive and all others according to the form of their right of presentation (edicionis). Geoffrey further has granted to god and the mother church of Mapeldureham a virgate of land with a messuage in frankalmoign, to wit that which Geoffrey de Chelebi and Osbert the Clerk held, and a croft lying between the land of Richard Cripsi and the land of John Nobilis next the King's way and two acres towards the long hedge of which the heads abut on the road that leads to Wichuthe. The nuns have renounced all the rights they had in two acres which the church of Mapeldureham used to receive from the demesne of Geoffrey before this agreement. The nuns must serve the said chapel of Geoffrey all the days of the year by a suitable chaplain to be found by them and subject to rejection by the said knight and his successors, not without just cause or without the approval of the archdeacon. And they are to find a suitable clerk to minister to the chaplain in the church and to provide the necessary vestments, books and lights. The ornaments of the chapel to be found by Geoffrey. The knight and his successors and their family, domestic and free, and their guests, shall receive all spiritualities there and be admitted to confession and communion. The females of their house shall be married there and after childbirth purified and their children baptised. They shall have free burial whenever they wish, provided the chaplains and others ministering in the said chapel receive their legacies and oblations if perchance a mass is celebrated

in the chapel for the deceased.

Dated 1225.

Witnesses: Simon, dean of Siplake, Osbert, rector of Stokez, Silvester, vicar of the church of Wicchuche, John, vicar of Garingez, Thomas Hustarl, John de Scepcion(?), Alan de Englefeld, William Basset, William de Hunberscumbe, Robert de Malpeldureham, clerk, Ralph de Heldeine(?), Richard de Agon', Siward son of William.

(2) Grant by Hugh de Gornaco[VI] to God and the Blessed Mary and the nuns of Clarus Rivulus in perpetual quitclaim of those tythes of his demesne in Malpeldureham, of two acres in the fields there in frankalmoign, to wit those which lie between the land of Richard de Aketune and that of the said nuns.

Witnesses: Ralph son of the dean, Richard son of Aketune, Robert the clerk son of the Reeve(prepositi), Siwald son of William, Simon de Buisson.

(3) Grant by Hugh de Gorn[IV] and Milesindis, his wife, with the consent of their sons Gerald and Hugh, to God and the Blessed Mary and the nuns of Clarus Rivulus by Galisfontein of the church of Reneborlai(rectius Keneborlai), to hold in perpetuity after the death of William Predur, priest of the said church at the time of the said donation. After his death, the nuns are to hold the church, saving the right of the bishop of Norwich.

Witnesses: John de Hodenc, Ralph de Agya, Oliver his brother, Godfrey the clerk.

(4) Grant by Hugh de Gorn[VI] to the nuns of Clarus Rivus in frankalmoign of all the lands and tenements which they held of his father in the manor of Malpeldureham, together with pasture for 8 oxen with his oxen whenever they shall pasture, with free ingress and egress and commons in the pastures of all other his men. Recognition that the nuns have the right to present on his behalf(pro me) to the vicarage of the church of Malpeldureham.

Witnesses: sir Robert de Say, sir William Dage, Robert de Say,

junior, Robert de Malpeldureham, clerk.

(5) Confirmation de Chauseya, son and heir of Geoffrey de Chauseya, to the nuns of Clarus Rivus, rectors of the church of Malpeldureham, of all his father's gifts to them, in frankalmoign.

6 July 1236.

Witnesses: Simon, dean of Silplake, Walter Reeve of the church of Stokes, G. de Rosa, rector of the church of Wicheharche, Hugh the Chaplain of Garinges, William de Hunterscombe.

Mark of Barate, the notary, and his certificate.

Fragment of the Great Seal of the archiepiscopal court of Rouen, green wax, on doubled tag.

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Notarial instrument, certified by the same, [1480], consisting of copies of the following:-

(1) Grant by Hugh de Gor' [IV] to the church of the nuns of Gosleinfonte of the church of Malpeltreham, for the soul of himself and his ancestors and of Milesend, his wife, and 50s sterling which he had in the same church.

Witnesses: John de Hosedenc, H. de Beleville, Stephen de Belfast, H. de Sancto Clare, H. de Brammoustier, Reynald de Merreval, Robert de Marregin.

(2) Notification by Hugh de Gornayo [IV] and Milesend, his wife, that they have built the church of the Blessed Mary and St. John the Baptist at Goslainfontana next the aldergrove (alnetum) which is beside the brook called Clarus Rivus, for which place they have given an acre of land to the church of St. Maurice and another acre to Hugh de Sancto Mauricio. To the same church accordingly they have transferred the nuns who formerly lived in Valle Prelii, to whom they confirm all the alms and possessions which they had formerly given them, assigning further to them a carucate of land at Goslainfontana, the tythes of ovens in the same vill, and 50s of Beauvais in the rents

thereof, to wit in pontage 20s, in rent of the forest 20s, in taxes(censibus) 10s; in the mill 13 minas¹ of corn; at Castrum Firmitatis a carucate of land and the tythe of their orchard of Wellevue; the tythe of Locoio which Oliver de Agia has to pay them, with the tythe of 4l which he has in the toll of Escocci; in the land Landunensi, from the marriage portion of Millesend, 40s. In England at Castra 2½ marks silver; the church of Malpeltreham, after the decease of Ralph de Agia. Be it known that all the said gifts have been made with the agreement of their sons Gerard and Hugh. Afterwards they have them co-partnership in all the fee of Hugh de Brannostier at Brokedalle, which they bought from Roger Sorix for 60s of Beauvais.

Furthermore they have granted them all the lands and alms which the nuns possess of the gift of the grantors' men, to wit, of the gift of John de Boell a wood and land he had next their place for which they have given him 60s of Beauvais; of the gift of Aelebinus the Burgundian and Hawisa his wife for their daughter Erembure all the land he had in Mesnillum Aelelin and a pledge(vadimonium) of 20s in the same town and a pledge of 60s at Fossatum, and the tythe of their orchard at Goislainfontana; of the gift of Guarin de Hameia the tythe of Calni, which he possessed by hereditary right, and whatever he had in the mill of Malis Pultibus and in another mill of Hericurt, and the co-partnership which he had in the same mill, all which he gave them for his two daughters Beatrice and Ada; of the gift of Robert de Hanselaines and his wife Awise and Richard his son, who in the same house came to conversion with their two daughters Mary and Eremboure, a carucate of land at [Frielcort]² and three bushels(medies) of corn^{and} three of oats at Boscum Hugonis, which the monks of Mortuum Mare pay by grant of the sons of the same Robert³, Warin and Ralph; of the gift of Theobald the

1. An old measure of corn, representing 4½ bushels.

2. Supplied from the Norman Roll, 8 Henry V pt.3 no.15 (Public Record Office C64/15 no. 15)

3. It is possible that there should be a comma after "same".

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treasurer of Beauvais two bushels of oats at Boscum Hugonis; of the gift of Mary, daughter of Godeleris, a moiety of the tythe of the fee of Peter de Sancto Luciano at Maltares; of the gift of Odo de Hespogneys for Laucia, his daughter, two sheaves (guerbas) of the tythe of his whole land and an acre of meadow at Hespogneys; of the gift of John de Roseyo the tythe of his whole fee at Heregnem; of the gift of Ralph Escouart a field of land at Gaslainfontanam; of the gift of Geoffrey Cordelle two fields there; of the gift of Hugh de Belmont in the same vill a field; of the gift of Hugh son of Avecire a field there; of the gift of Hugh de Betencourt two minas of corn; of the gift of Rainald de Intrieval¹ two minas in the mill of Malis Pultibus. All the foregoing are granted in frankalmoign for the salvation of the souls of the donors and of their antecedents and children. Furthermore Mylesend grants the said church all her emptions and pledges which she shall have on the day of her death.

Witnesses: Robert ^{de} Prisse, John de Hodenc, Ancelinus de Montemo, Osbert de Runreio, Reinald de Merreval, Hugh de Beaumosta', William Froissegres, Nicholas Froissegres, Hugh de Bella Villa, [Guarner de Hodenc, Hugh Huesart, Ursellus, master Roger the chaplain de Feritate, Godfrey the clerk, Theodore the servingman (famulus), Norman the esquire]².

(3) Confirmation by King Henry II to the nuns of Gaslainfontana who dwell by the aldergrove which is beside the brook called Clarus Rivus, of all the gifts made to them by Hugh de Gornayo and Milleend, his wife, and by anyone else.

Witnesses: Geoffrey the archdeacon of Canterbury, William de Curci, dapifer, Seierus de Quinci, Reginald de Curtenai, Reginald Fitz Urse.

Mark of Barate, the notary, and his certificate.

Traces of the Great Seal of the archiepiscopal court of Rouen, green wax, on doubled tag.

1. "de Intrieval" not in the Norman Roll.

2. Supplied from the Norman Roll, 8 Henry V pt. 3 no. 15

[This confirmation is dated by Cooke(p.86) 1163 to 1170 on the evidence of the witnessing of Geoffrey the archdeacon and Reginald Fitz Urse. The date can probably be further narrowed by the presence of William de Curci and Reginald de Curtenai who are found (Delisle and Berger; Receuil des Actes de Henri II tom. 1, p. 429) as witnesses in 1169]

[2A]

The Norman Roll of 8 Henry V pt.III contains an inspeximus, dated at the castle of Rouen, 16 February 1421, of 2(2) above, together with an inspeximus of a grant by Hugh de Gournay, junior,[IV] to the church of St. Mary and St. John the Baptist of Clarus Rivulus of two carucates, one at Firmitatem and the other at Goislainfontana; and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ of Beauvais in pontage at Goislainfontana; and each month 10s in rent of the forest, 10s in taxes, 10s in the tythes of ovens; in the forests of Braio Sool and Contevilla dead wood for burning and building; in the tanning mill of Goislainfontana 10s of Beauvais. In England 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ marks silver and the church of Malpeltrahan free and quit as Ralph de Agia had it. And whatever his men have often given in lands rents and other possessions to the said church he promises to protect and preserve by his right of lordship.

Witnesses: John de Hodeng, Garner de Hodeng, Robert junior de Bono, Neneloue the pauper, Gerard de Maisnil.

The King confirms these grants so far as they relate to the Duchy of Normandy and the parts of France subject to him. It is not intended that this confirmation should justify any claim on any possessions in England.

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Bond, 4 November 1569, by Elizabeth Blount, wife of Richard Blount, knight, deceased, and Richard Blount, gent., of Mapledurham, co. Oxford, to the Provost and College in 1601 to observe the terms of an indenture of this date.

Signatures.

Two Seals, red wax, on tongues.

(1) Round, 18mm., A stag. (Elizabeth).

(2) Oval, 16 x 13mm., A classical profile. (Richard).

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l. m

Copy, temp. Elizabeth I, of agreement between Walter de Lichelade, rector of the church of Mapuldram, co. Hants, and the abbot and convent of Dureford, with the consent of master Robert, the vicar, concerning tythes; by which the abbot and convent are to be immune and quit from the payment of all tythes on their possessions hitherto acquired, save those on all gardens except on the old garden which is within the close of the monastery of Dureford, on which the abbot and convent have not hitherto paid tythe. In recompense, the abbot and convent are to pay yearly in the greater Church of Petersfield 30s to the said rector, to which they have bound themselves and all their goods, submitting themselves to the jurisdiction of the bishops of Winchester and Chichester for the performance of the same. August 1265.

Endorsed

- (1) Delyver this to M^r Doctor Overton att Chichester, [William Overton was Treasurer of Chichester Cathedral from 1567 to 1580 when he became Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield till his death in 1609]
- (2) This coppie I [presumably William Day] had sent from Dr Wright, B. of Coventrie and Lichefeild. [Robert Wright was Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield 1632 - 1643].

lf.

[This deed is described in the Victoria County History, Hampshire, vol.III, p. 93, with a reference to Cott. MS. Vesp. E. XXIII; f.24d.]

Letters Patent, addressed to John, bishop of Oxford, presenting to the vicarage of Mapilderam Robert Clay, clerk, M.A..

Westminster 5 November 1604.

The Great Seal, bronze wax, a complete and good impression.

Annotated; Fiat institutio. Johannes Oxoniensis.

In round leather covered box.

Copy of lease, 20 August 1618, by Sir Richard Blounte, of Mapledurham, Knight, to Richard Blounte, one of his younger sons, of the Miller's House in Mapledurham, with orchard and garden belonging and a close of pasture adjoining, and those closes of arable, lying above the hill, called Spelmers, and the water mill and the fishing and other profits of the mill stream from a place called Hardwicke to the mill and thence to the west end of the church paiell (pale), and from Burge Locke to the end of certain pieces of ground compassed on every side by the water called the Greate Aights, together with the said Aights and all the Aight lying between them and the lock aforesaid, also that little close or pasture adjoining the mill called the Chalkinge Place, and a meadow called the Mill Gore, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres in the Ley Feilde over against the house of widow Howses, and 3 parcels of arable in the Hen Feilde containing 2 acres, all which premises were lately in the tenure of Robert Birde, deceased, and are now in the tenures of --- Franklyn and Anthony Walles; and common and common of pasture in the fields and commonable places. From Michaelmas 1631, for 99 years. Rent 40s. Lease also of a messuage in Mapledurham, now or late in the tenure of Lawrence Tovey, from the expiry of Tovey's copyhold thereof for 99 years. Rent 3ls:4d.

This lease to be included in a fine to be levied, embracing leases also to Henry ^{and} William Blounte, Richard's brothers.

Witnesses: George Browne, Francis Austin, Gabriel Cox

the younger, Thomas Tayler.

A schedule, sewn onto the sixth folio, contains a question by William Day concerning the rights of the tenant of the second property in the matter of felling timber, with an opinion by Robert Atkins.

13fs.

Exemplification, 8 August 1638, by Sir Henry Wotton, Provost, and the Fellows of Eton, at the request of William Day, vicar of Mapeldurham, of the deed of 20 January 1455⁴ uniting the parsonage and vicarage of Mapeldurham. Master Roger Gery, vicar of the parish church there, had claimed to the Provost and College, the proprietors, that the vicarage was insufficient for his sustenance. The matter had been referred to the bishop of Lincoln, with the resultant agreement that the vicar should have the mansion of the rectory, with lands and buildings pertaining viz. a croft called Pouchcroft of 10 acres, another called Longcroft of 6 acres, another with ca5I0 [cablsh or windfallen woad] called Crouchcroft of 10 acres, another called Nakercroft alias Nakedcroft of 7 acres, a piece of land in the common field called Homefield of 2 acres, a piece lying atte Parsonage Stubbis of 2 acres, a piece at Rotemerum of 1 acre, 1 acre at Elidenorehill, a piece of meadow called le Persons Plott with a stiche of meadow of 1½ acres, a small croft next the rectory called Parsons Croft of 2½ acres, a piece in Thropfield of 5 acres and 1 acre in Great Ligh. And the vicar should have all tythes and profits whatever pertaining to the said church. The vicar to pay yearly rent of 6 marks, and to be responsible for the repair of the chancel and of the rectory house.

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

1m.

Acopy of the foregoing. See also nos. 189 and 190.

4fs.

Inspecimus by John, bishop of Oxford, of depositions of witnesses ex parte Edmund Wild v. John Attwell in a cause of subtraction of tythes or other ecclesiastical rights taken on 14 June 1573, together with personal answers of John Attwell. The deponents were Henry Allaway, aged 80, of Mapledurham, Thomas Pethe, aged 63, of Rotherfeild Grays, Richard Allaway, aged 61, of Mapledurham, William Dry, aged 65, of the same, Thomas Allaway, aged 59, of the same, John Browne, aged 55, of the same. The suit related to the tythes of the vicarage of Mapledurham, of which Wild had been farmer for 7 or 8 years.

14 September 1639

Traces of Seal, red wax, of the Vicar General,
on doubled tag,

1m.

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Inspecimus of a record among the Records of the K.R. Memoranda Roll of Easter 16 Charles I [E.159/480], in which is reference to a book of Decrees and Orders, in which is shown under 8 May 1640 that William Day, clerk, vicar of Mapledurham, lately exhibited his English bill into the court against Sir Charles Blount, Knight, and others, defendants, touching the detaining of the tythes of the demesnes of the manors of Gurney and Chacey in the parish of Mapledurham and the imparking of glebe lands and of copyhold lands which always paid tithes to the vicar. In his answer Sir Charles confessed to the imparking of one or two acres of glebe and 32 acres of copyhold for which he would make recompence. As for the tythe, the Dean and Canons of Windsor had a portion of tythes in Mapledurham called Beckharlewen tythes which they leased to John Sunybanke who leased them to Sir Richard Blount, the defendant's father, who left them to Lister Blunt, his executor, who assigned his interest therein to the defendant, by virtue of which lease the defendant claimed exemption for his two manors of Gurney and Chacey from any tithes in kind to the vicar except the tithe of hay for

which he pleaded a proscription of payment of 20s yearly. He described the Dean and Canons to be called in to defend their right.

So the plaintiff exhibited a bill against them, and they confessed that the plaintiff should have all the tithes of the parish except two third parts of the tythes of corn, lamb, cheese, wool, pigs, calves and pannage out of the demesnes of the manor of Chaucey which they call Beckharlewen tythes.

By order of 8 May it was decreed that the glebe lands imparked should be laid open again and enjoyed by the plaintiff and his successors; that the plaintiff should have a valuable consideration yearly for the copyhold lands imparked, that the plaintiff should enjoy all these tithes which the defendant claimed under the Dean and Canons of Windsor, to wit, all those in kind of the manor of Gurney and all of the manor of Chaucey except two third parts of the tithes of corn etc., and except the tithe of hay on both manors which remained in question in the court.

Witness: Humfrey Davenporte, (Chief Baron of the Exchequer), Knight, Westminster, 18 May 1640.

Seal of the Exchequer, bronze wax, on doubled tag. Much of the obverse missing at the right side and at the top; of the reverse only a small section on the right surviving. In the Initial a drawing of the King in ink and pencil, and lion and unicorn, crown and floral and linear decoration at the top of the document.

l. m.

Articles of agreement, in the hand of William Day, between Day and Nicholas Ironmonger, concerning the cultivation of certain lands which Ironmonger is to have from Three years to three years during the lives ~~and~~ of the said Ironmonger and Day in Mapledurham.

7 October 1640.

The mark of Ironmonger.

Witness: Toby Mathew.

Bond, 3 August 1642, by Sir Charles Blount, Knight, in 10l to William Day, clerk, for the performance of the terms of an agreement concerning a valuation to be made of certain tythes by Richard Lybb, esq., and John Allen, gent.

Signature of Blount.

Small papered Seal.

Witnesses: William Brigham, Humphrey Dewell, Robert Lake (mark).

2fs.

Bond, 12 August 1642; by the same to the same in 100l to stand to the valuation of Lybb and Allen.

Signature of Blount.

Seal, red wax, applied.

Witnesses: William Brigham, William ^{Basset} Blount.

2fs.

Surrender, in the hand of William Day, by Griffin Kyrrel, Walter Alloway, Edward Wilde and Nicholas Ironmonger, of Mapledurham, yeomen, of all their right in a lease (which they have lost) from Day of certain tythes, dated 2 August 1642.

20 August 1643.

The marks of the surrenderers.

2fs.

Counterpart of lease, 26 August 1642, by William Day, clerk, to Sir Charles Blount of all tythes on lands in Mapledurham called Coles Kennell, Brickley, Little Coppice, Drovers Deane, Westfeild, Westfeildhill, Hardwickfeild and Millfeild, now in the tenure of Thomas Marten, and 3 acres adjoining Millfeild in the tenure of Thomas Blackman and John Wodsworth, and on Little Homes, Didsomefeild and the parts of Wheatlands and Henfeild enclosed in Blount's park; and lease of 2 acres 39 perches in Wheatlands. From Michaelmas last for 3 years. Rent 33l; 10s.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: William Brigham, Edward Wilmer, junior.

Fragment of Seal, red wax, on doubled tag.

1 m.

16 ✓

Draft, in the hand of Day, of the foregoing.

2 fs.

17 ✓

Counterpart of lease, 10 August 1648, by William Day, clerk, to Antony Langstone, of Bissiter, co. Oxford, gent., of all tythes on all the orchards, gardens, and backsides belonging to the place house of the manor of Gurney in Mapledurham; and on lands called Coalles, Kennell, Brickly, Little Coppice, Drovers Deane, Westfeild, Westfeild Hill, Hardwickfeild and Millfeild, now in the tenure of Thomas Martten; and on the whole park, (30 acres of which is in the tenure of the said Langstone and the remainder of Anthony Libb, gent.), except so much of the park as has been heretofore part of the demesnes of the manor of Chawsey; and on all the meadows and pastures which are part of the demesnes of the manor of Gurney, except so much as have been part of the demesnes of the manor of Chausey; and on the mill wharf waters eights belonging to the maor of Gurney; and on grounds now in the tenure of John Pearman and Henry Horne; and on the gardens, backsides and orchards of the house adjoining the park now in the tenure of Francis Whittell;

and on the gardens and orchards belonging to the almshouses adjoining the parsonage house; and on all the demesnes of the manor of Chawsey, that is to say, all orchards, gardens and yards of Chawsey courts and on the Over Parke Green Lease, Nether Park Small Meade, Berry Croft, Broade Lease, Great White Lands, Partridge Hill, Rotmore Shaw, Rotmore, Little White Lands, Chawsey Wood, Rigefeld Coppice; and on all parts of the demesnes lying in any common feild or mead; and on the wand of meadow and on all those lands in the park in the tenure of Libb and in the Court mead which were anciently of the manor of Chawsey. Excepting the tythes of lambs, wool, pigs and calves.

From Michaelmas last for one year. Rent 70*l*.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Matthew Day, Walter Blount, Thomas Martin.

Traces of seal, red wax, on doubled tag. 1*m*.

Endorsed that this document was shown to deponents at the time of their examination, viz. to Dr. Mathew Day on 28 October 1656 before Robert Nicholas; to the same in Chancery on behalf of William Day, defendent, at the suit of Walter Blount, Esquire, complainant before T. Peyton; to Thomas Martyn, gent., in the Exchequer in the cause between William Day, plaintiff, and Walter Blunt, esq., and others, defendents, before William Knollys, John Davis. 1*m*.

Indenture of lease, 10 August 1648, by Antony Langestone, gent., to William Day, clerk, of that little mead and string of meadow in Mapledurham lying by the Thames between the wharf and the grounds of Richard Lybb, of Hardewicke, esq., now in the tenure of Day. From Michaelmas last for one year. Rent a peppercorn.

Signature of Langston.

Witnesses, and endorsements, as on the foregoing.

Traces of seal, red wax, on doubled parchment tag.

1 f., indented.

Articles of agreement, 10 August 1648, between William Day, clerk, and Anthony Langston, of Bisiter, gent. Various suits and controversies between Day and Sir Charles Blount concerning the tythes of the manors of Gurney and Chawsey were due for a hearing in the Exchequer, but by reason of the wars and the death of Sir Charles were not heard. Now for the settlement of the differences between Day and Michael Blount, esq, son and heir of the said Charles, and a minor, it is agreed between Day and Langston, on behalf of Blount:-

1. Day will let to Langston all tythes upon all orchards, gardens and backsides belonging to the place house of the manor of Gurney and upon all lands called Coale Keniell, Brickly, Little Coppice, Drovers Beane, Westfeild, Westfeild Hill, Hardwick feild and Mill feild, now in the tenure of Thomas Marttin, and upon the whole park, 30 acres of which are in the tenure of the said Langstone and the rest of Anthony Libb, gent., except so much of the park as has been heretofore part of the demesnes of the manor of Chawsey, and upon all meadows and pastures which are part of the demesnes of the manor of Gurney, except so much as has been part of the demesnes of the manor of Chawsey, and upon the Mill Wharfe Watter's Eightes belonging to the manor of Gurney and upon the grounds now in the tenure of John Pearman and Henry Horne, and upon the gardens, backsides and orchards belonging to the house adjoining the park gate now in the tenure of Francis Whittele, and upon the gardens and orchards belonging to the almshouses adjoining the parsonage house, and upon all the demesnes lands of the manor of Chawsey, that is all orchards, gardens and yards of Chawseys Court and the Over Park Greene Lease, Nether Park Small Mead, Berry Croft, Broad Lease, Great Whitelands, Partrige Hill, Rotmore Shawe, Rotmore, Little Whitelands, Chawseyes Wood, Rigfield Coppice and the wand of meadowe and all other lands which are parts of the said demesnes lands lying in any common field or mead and all lying in the Park now in the tenure of Libb and in the Court Mead: which have been anciently demesne lands of the manor of Chawseys, excepting two third parts of the tythes of corn, lambs, cheese, wool pells,

pigs, calves and pannage on the demesnes of the manor of Chawseys and excepting all tythes of lambs, wool, pigs and calves, which are of anyone of the parish of Mapledurham, which shall not have been fed the greatest part of the year upon the demesnes of one or other of the manors. From Michaelmas last for one year. Rent 70l.

And Langston will let to Day the Little Meade and string of meadow ground lying between the Wharf and the grounds of Richard Libb, of Hardwick, esq., now or late in the occupation of Day, with ingress, egress and regress to the same. Rent a peppercorn.

2. If the rent has been duly paid Day will let the said tythes to Langstone for another year for a rent of 65l.

3. Similarly the following year for a rent of 60l.

4. Upon security for the payment of 10l a year for 3 years, Day will procure, upon the sealing of the foregoing leases, a lease to Langstone of a portion of tythes out of the demesnes of the manor of Chawsey consisting of two thirds of the tythes of corn, lambs, cheese, wool pells, pigs, calves and pannage, called Beckherlewin Tythes.

5. As soon as Michael Blount is 21 years old Day will let him the aforesaid tythes mentioned in clause 1., at 60l a year. And Blount will let Day the Little Meade and String, for a peppercorn.

6. Langstone undertakes that when Blount attains full age he will accept the offer of Day and take from 3 years to 3 years, during the whole time that he is lord of the said manors and Day is vicar of Mapledurham, a lease of the tythes aforesaid, and within 3 months after the offer make over to Day so much good meadow land as shall be worth 80l a year for security that he will take such a lease. If Blount will not accept the offer or give the security, Langstone will pay Day 100l.

7. Joan Sunbanke, of Windsor, widow, has a lease of Beckherlewin Tythes from the Dean and Canons of Windsor. Day undertakes to procure a lease of the same to Blount for 10l a year.

Signature of Langston.

Seal. red wax, no impression, broken, on doubled tag.

Endorsements.

Notes concerning interlineations signed by Langston and Day.

Witnesses; Matthew Day, Walter Blount, Thomas Martin, Thomas Whitehill.

Memorandum that this writing was shown to the deponent, Matthew Day at his examination, 28 October 1656, before Robert Nicholas.

Memorandum that it was shewn to Thomas Martyn, gent., at his examination in a ^{cause} court in the Exchequer, Day v. Walter Blunt and others, before ^{or} William Knollys, John Davis.

Memorandum that it was shewn to Matthew Day, D.D., at his examination in Chancery in the suit Walter Blount v. William Day.

1 m.

20 ✓

Copy of agreement, 24 July 1649, extending an agreement of 10 August 1648 between William Day, vicar of Mapledurham, and Anthony Langstone, gent., concerning the tythes of the demesnes of Mapledurham Gorney and Chauses that was to become void on the death of Day, Langstone or Michael Blounte, esq., so that it shall apply to Henry Martyn, esq., guardian of Walter Blounte, esq., lord of the manor of Mapledurham, saving only that the rent to be paid to Day according to a lease of 10 August 1648 and according to the first article of the agreement shall continue during the whole time of the agreement years.

2 fs.

21 ✓

Another copy of the same, endorsed as having been shown to John Yateman, gent., at the time of his examination on 15 November 1656 before Robert Nicholas (signature).

1 f.

Indenture of sale, 11 February 1650, by Richard Blount, of Swelme, co. Oxford, esq., to Roger Howse, of Whitechurch, gent., for 100*l*, of a messuage with two yard lands in Checkindon now or late in the occupation of John Wheeler. With warranty.

Signature of Howse.

Witnesses: William Day, John Heron, Edmond Sherwood.

Seal, red wax, on doubled tag. Bad impression.

1. m

Memorandum of agreement, 14 November 1656, between William Day, plaintiff, and Walter Blount, defendant, that their suit in the Exchequer shall in three weeks be referred to two able lawyers to end all the said controversy, provided it shall be lawful for Day to put in new interrogatories and examine his witnesses here in town, giving Blount notice concerning the modus decimandi. 14 November 1656. Bond by each party in 500*l* to stand to the arbitration.

1f.

Bond, 3 February 1658, by William Day, clerk, to Walter Blount, esq., in 500*l* for the observance of an arbitrament of William Knollys, of Grayes, co. Oxford, esq., and William Dorney, of Ayscott, co. Oxford, esq., in their dispute concerning the tythe hay from the meadowland in Mapledurham.

Signature of Day.

Witnesses: Thomas Moore, Richard Fletcher.

Seal, round, 15mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, a swan.

The paper cut through, and endorsed: Cancelled.

1f.

25 ✓

Rough draft, in Day's hand, of articles of agreement between himself and Walter Blount. May 1658.

2fs.

Agreement, 9 April 1659, between Walter Blount and William Day, that Day shall lease to such person or persons as Blount shall appoint all the tythes of hay and depasturing of cattle on the demesne meadow and pasture grounds of Gurney and Chawsyes, from 3 years to 3 years at a peppercorn rent, from Lady day last, for as long as he shall be vicar of Mappedurham. At the signing and sealing of the said lease Blount shall pay Day 120^l and shall make a lease to Day of the Stringes and Meade, for the same terms, at a rent of 10^l.

Signature of Blount.

Witnesses: William Forster, James Hall, John Davis,
William Knollys.

Small Seal, under paper turn-over.

Endorsed that this document was shewn to James Hall at the time of his examination in the Exchequer suit, Day v.

Blount and others. Signes, William Knollys and John Davis.

2fs.

26^A₃ ✓

A draft of the foregoing.

2fs.

27 ✓

Rough, amended draft, 1659, for a lease of tythes in Mapledurham. Annotated by Robert Atkyns with his advice that the full consideration be mentioned in the deed "that it may not bee objected in after times that the tithes due to the vicar out of these demesnes were of no value".

2fs.

28 ✓

Another rough draft of the same.

2fs.

29 ✓

Another rough draft of the same, 3 May 1659.

4fs.

30 ✓

Exemplification, 13 January 1660, by Nicholas Lockier, Provost, and the College, from the College register books, of the agreement of 20 January 1455 for uniting the parsonage and vicarage of Mapledurham.

The College Seal, red wax, on doubled tag.

1m.

31 ✓

Exemplification, at the instance of William Day, clerk, by the Keepers of the Libertie of England by authority of Parliament of a record among the common matters of Hillary term 1659 on the Memoranda Roll of the First Remembrancer viz. of an inquisition taken at Oxford on Thursday after St. Matthias 15 Edward III (1 March 1341) concerning the nones of corn, wool and lambs, granted to the King in 14 Edward III, which for the church of Mapledoram were worth 12 marks and not more as the rector had for the endowment of his church a carucate of land worth 40s a year and the hay belonging to the church was worth 20s. [Particulars for other places follow].

Witness, John Wyld, Westminster, 1 February 1660.

Seal of the Exchequer, bronze wax, only the upper third surviving, on doubled tag.

Decorative pen work and floral design with pencil shading on the top line.

DAMAGED BY RODENTS.

1m.

32 ✓

A transcript of the foregoing extract from the K.R. Memoranda Roll.

(Signed) Harpham 4th November 1657.

[Entered in the folio book p. 73].

5fs.

Copy of lease, 16 October 1660, by William Day, clerk, to Walter Blount, esq., for 120^l of tythes on woods and meadows in Mapledurham. For 40 years. Rent a peppercorn.

3fs.

34 ✓

Indenture of lease, 3 October 1662, by Walter Blount, esq., to William Day, clerk, of 2 parcels of meadow and pasture lying by the Thames in Mapledurham leading towards Hardwick, containing 6 acres, now in the occupation of Day, and a parcel of arable called Spelmers above the hill, late in the occupation of Edward Wilde, and an acre of meadow called Mill Gore, and 1½ acres in the Lye Feilde and 2 acres in Henfeilde, all which were late in the tenure of George Webb, miller, and common of pasture in the commonable places of the parish. From Michaelmas last for 7 years. Rent 20^l.

Signature of lessor.

Witnesses: Edward Benlowes, Richard Fletcher.

Seal and tag missing.

Endorsed that it was agreed before the sealing that the lessee should have free access to the meadows by way of the Wharf.

1f., indented.

35 ✓

Writ of execution, 29 June [?1665], upon confirmation of a Chancery decree upon the Statute of Pious Uses, on behalf of the poor of Madpledurham, co. Oxford. [Not easily legible]

Fragment of [half the] Great Seal, brown wax, on tongue.

1m.

DAMAGED BY RODENTS

Amended draft of lease 1677, by William Day, clerk,
to Abraham Hsley, yeoman, of all tythes in Mapledurham, except
inter alia those let to the late Walter Blount, esq., deceased.
For 3 years. Rent 170l.

4 fs.

37 ✓

Counterpart of the foregoing lease, 21 June 1677.

Witnesses: Matthew, Daniel and Samuel Day.

The signature and seal of the lessee have been cut away,
and the lease is endorsed as cancelled.

1 f. indented.

38 ✓

Counterpart of lease, 21 June 1677, by William Day, clerk,
to Abraham Hsley, yeoman, of glebelands pertaining to the vicarage
of Mapledurham and all meadows, commons and pastures, pertaining
to the same (described), except all woods and timber. From
Michaelmas next for 3 years. Rent 30l.

Signature and seal of lessee cut away.

Witnesses: Matthew, Daniel and Samuel Day.

1 f., indented.

39 ✓

Counterpart of lease, 4 August 1682, by William Day, clerk,
to Richard Alloway, yeoman, of glebe lands (described) and tythes
(described), except all woods and timber. From Michaelmas last
for 3 years. Rent 25l.

Mark of lessee.

Witnesses: John Tredwell, scrivener, Robert Page.

Seal, round, 14mm., red wax, on doubled tag. A device.

2 fs.

40 ✓

Counterpart of lease, 29 September 1684. by William Day,
clerk, to Richard Alloway, yeoman, of the same. From this date
for 3 years. Rent as before.

Mark of lessee.

Witnesses: Robert Page. Burgis Diaper.

Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

2 fs.

41 ✓

Memorandum of lease, 13 June 1685, by John Hawtrey, clerk, to Edward Heywood, yeoman, of all tythes, with exceptions (described), and the great barn adjoining the parsonage, together with the long barn, with exceptions (described). From 25 March last for one year. For 152l: 10s at Michaelmas next.

Signature of Hawtrey, mark of Heywood.

Witnesses: Lawrence Lord, John Blgrave, John Hanson.

Two small seals, red, applied.

1 f.

42 ✓

Copy of Memorandum of agreement, 13 June 1685, between John Hawtrey, clerk, and Lyster Blount, esq., concerning the tythes of the latter's meadows and pastures, Blount claiming that a modus of 20s a year only is due. It is agreed that the lands should be valued by Lawrence Lord and John Blgrave, gents., and certain rates (detailed) are agreed upon for this year in lieu of tythes, which shall not in any way be prejudicial to either's claim.

Copies of signatures of the parties and of witnesses as on the foregoing.

1 f.

43 ✓

Memorandum of agreement, 8 June 1686, between the foregoing that for a rent of 28l Hawtrey will lease to Blount all tythes on the several lands mentioned in a lease of 16 October 1660 from William Day to Walter Blount, for 3 years from Michaelmas last; and will lease also all the privy tythes on the orchards, gardens, courts and storeyards now in the possession of Blount, as also on a plot of ground called the Deer Close and another called the Grove, the tythes of wool and lambs excepted.

Signatures of parties.

Witnesses: Samuel Day, John Blgrave, John Hanson.

Two Seals, red wax, applied.

1) Round, 14mm. A profile. (Hawtrey).

2) Rectangular, 15 x 13 mm. Armorial, Barry nebuly, with helm, mantling and crest, a sun. (Blount).

Articles of agreement, 8 June 1686, between John Hawtrey, clerk, and Edward Highwood, yeoman. For a rent of 152l; 10s and in consideration of a lease from William Day to Highwood of 24 September 1684, Hawtrey will make a lease for one year to Highwood from Michaelmas 1685 of all tythes mentioned in the former lease. Highwood will deliver a sufficient bond at the sealing of the lease.

Signature of Highwood.

Witnesses: John Blgrave, John Hanson, Matthew Day.

Small seal, papered.

Counterpart of lease, 17 March 1687, by John Hawtrey, clerk, to Lyster Blount, esq., of all tythes of woods, woodlands and underwoods tythable on all his woods belonging to the vicarage of Mapledurham viz. Chawsey wood, Dudsom wood, Goodboyes coppice, Beech grove, Upper Lands coppice, Currs coppice, Greene Deane coppice, Symonds his shawes, Great Fanners coppice, Blackalls coppice, Benwells coppice, the Parke Wood, Tovies coppice and Freemans coppice, and all manner of tythes in right of the vicarage on the demesne pastures and meadows of the manor of Mapledurham (described), and all small tythes of the manor house of Gurney, except the tythe of wool and lambs; and lease of all tythes on the piece of meadow or pasture called the Deere Course and ^{that} on/piece of ground in the Park adjoining the garden wall called the Nursery or Grove. From Michaelmas last for 3 years. Rent 28l.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: William Cooper, Charles Blount.

Seal, papered, on doubled tag.

Endorsed that it is agreed that his lease shall not in any respect be prejudicial to either of their preferences to any modus or to any defence to be made against the same.

1 n.

Bond by the lessee 17 March 1687 in 50l for the observance of the foregoing.

Signature of lessee.

Witnesses: Matthew Day, Samuel Day, John Blgrave.

Seal, papered.

2 fs.

Counterpart of lease, 1 June 1687, by John Hawtrey, clerk, to John Creswell and Richard Alloway, yeomen, of tythes (described). From Lady day last for 3 years. Rent 50l at Michaelmas next, 50l at St. Thomas following, 52l: 10s at St. John the Baptist 1688, 50l at Michaelmas then following, 50l at St. Thomas then following, 52l: 10s at St. John the Baptist 1689, 50l at Michaelmas then following, 50l at St. Thomas then following and 52l: 10s at St. John the Baptist 1690.

Marks of lessees.

Witnesses: James Lybbe, Matthew Tate, John Hanson.

Two seals, identical, round, 15 mm, red wax, applied.

Classical profile.

1 f. indented.

Memorandum of agreement, 9 June 1687, between the foregoing by which Hawtrey leases Creswell and Alloway the tythes which Edward Highwoode held. For 3 years. Rent 152l: 10s.

Marks of lessees.

Witness: Lawrence Lord.

1 f.

Counterpart of lease, 20 January 1704, by John Hawtrey, clerk, to William Freebody, the younger, and Nicholas Salter, the younger, of Caversham, of the tythes of the waters and fishing in the Thames lying in the manors of Mapledurham, Gurney and Mapledurham Chawsey, extending from Poplars Poole to Norcott Lane End, and in the back brooks or lakes reaching unto the Church Rayles, and of all those pieces of ground in the river called the Eights. From Michaelmas last for 3 years.

Rent 1l: 10s.

Signature of Hawtrey.

Witnesses: Thomas Pocok, Elizabeth Binyon.

Seal, oval, 20 x 15mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, on a bend cotised four lions passant (Hawtrey).

DAMAGED BY RODENTS.

l. m

Copy of tripartite indenture, 1 August 1801, between Michael Blount, of the liberty of Mapledurham Gurney, esquire, of the first part, John Atkyns Wright, of Crowsley Park, and Richard Clerke, of Kingstone, co. Oxford, esquires, (commissioners specially appointed for the purposes of an Act for making perpetual subject to redemption and purchase in the manner therein stated the several sums of money charged in Great Britain as a Land Tax for on^e year from 25 March 1798 and of several other Acts to explain and amend the said Act for the county of Oxford) of the second part, and Townley Ward, of Henrietta Street, Covent Garden, esquire, of the third part, by which Blount, with the consent of the commissioners and in consideration of the payment by Ward of 383l: 12s into the Bank of England to the account of the Commissioners for the reduction of the National Debt under title "An account of the sale of the Land Tax", sells a close of arable called Mill field containing 10 acres 1 rood 26 perches in the liberty of Mapledurham Gurney, and another close of arable called Lamb's Fightle containing 1 acre 1 rood in the same, and a piece of garden ground near the vicarage house containing $\frac{1}{2}$ acre. To hold free of all Land Tax.

A schedule is attached of five deeds, from 1684 to 1787, relating to the premises which Blount undertakes to produce on request.

6 fs.

51 ✓

Indenture, 17 May 1802, between Townley Ward, of Henrietta Street, Covent Garden, esq., of the first part, Michael Blount, esq., of the second part, the Bishop of Oxford, of the third part, the Provost and Fellows of Eton, of the fourth part, and Edward Tew, of the fifth part, by which Ward, at the direction of Blount, has exchanged with the College and Tew part of Mill field adjoining the vicarage house, which field runs parallel with the Thames, from which it is separated by a narrow strip of meadow, and contains 10 acres 1 rood 26 perches, also a piece of arable called Lamb's Pightle containing 1 acre 1 rood and a piece of nursery and garden ground opposite the vicarage to the south east containing 2 roods and divers small parcels (specified). The vicar shall pay 32s in consideration of the redemption of land tax. Provisions concerning the upkeep of walls and fences. An indenture of 1 August 1801 (no. 50) concerning the redemption of land tax is recited.

Signatures of Ward and Blount.

Two seals, identical, 18 x 14mm., red wax, applied. A male profile, bald.

Witnesses as on foregoing, with a similar endorsement.

2 ms.

52 ✓

Indenture, 17 May 1802, between Michael Blount, of Mapledurham, esq., heir male of the body of Lyster Blount, esq., of the first part, the Right Reverend John, Bishop of Oxford, of the second part, the Provost and Fellows of Eton, of the third part, and the Rev. Edward Tew, vicar of Mapledurham, of the fourth part, by which Blount exchanges a parcel of ground at the south end of the garden belonging to the almshouse immediately

adjoining the vicarage house, containing in length from the wall inclusive on the south side thereof which forms the boundary of the almshouse garden to the paling on the north west side of the garden 140 links and in width 44 links and making in all 9 poles, for a parcel of glebe land belonging to the garden of the vicarage containing in length 241 links and in width $22\frac{1}{2}$ links and running parallel from south west to north east with the almshouse garden and making in all 9 poles. The exchange is made pursuant to an act of 17 George III entitled An Act to promote the residence of parochial clergy by making provision for the more speedy and effectual building rebuilding repairing or purchasing houses and other necessary buildings and tenements for the use of their benefices. The exchange is made for the purpose of making a backway and coach yard to the vicarage. The fence between the vicarage garden and that of the almshouse shall be kept up at the expense of the vicar.

Signature of Blount.

Seal, oval, 18 x 14mm., red wax, applied. A male profile.

Witnesses: Thomas Norris, Thomas Sudlow, who have also witnessed Blount's signed endorsement that he has received the lands exchanged.

1 m. ✓

Legal Documents

(53 - 167)

Court of Arches

Henry Harris and John Atwell v. Edmund
Wilde, concerning tythes 1572 - 3

(53 - 58)

53 ✓

Answers of Edmund Wilde, farmer of the vicarage of Mapledurham, examined on 15 September 1572 in the matter raised by Henry Harris, concerning tythes. (Entered in folio book p. 50).
1 m.

54 ✓

The same, checked with the Register of the Bishop of Oxford by Martin Hirst, notary public.
2 fs.

55 ✓

Copy of the answers of John Atwell examined on behalf of Edmund Wilde, 7 June 1573.
2 fs.

56 ✓

Another copy.
(Entered in the folio book p. 53). 2 fs.

57 ✓

Copy of depositions of Henry Allaway, aged 80, Thomas Pethe, aged 63, Richard Allaway, aged 61, William Dry, aged 65, Thomas Allaway, aged 59, and John Browne, aged 55, concerning the foregoing, examined on behalf of Edmund Wilde against John Atwell, 14 July 1573. Endorsed Arches.
(Entered in folio book p. 55). 2 fs.

58 ✓

The same. 1 m.

58A ✓

The same checked with the Register of the Bishop of Oxford by Martin Hirst, notary public.
8 fs.

Before the Commissioners for Defective
Titles, concerning the tythes of the
manor of Gurney. 1639.

(59 - 60)

Copy of an order made on 12 July 1639 at a sitting of the Commissioners for Defective Titles etc at His Majesty's Commission House in Fleet Street. William Day, clerk, vicar of Mapledurham, presented a petition setting forth that the whole tythes of the demesnes of the manor of Gurney have been thought to have of right belonged to the vicars, but upon search two parts were found to have anciently belonged to the Prior of Lewes. Whereupon the petitioner at his own cost procured a commission of inquisition, and had it executed by which His Majesty is entitled to that portion. The petitioner then desired that the said portion be settled upon and secured to the vicarage rather than to any private person. But the Commissioners were not sufficiently informed in the matter, nor how far the Dean and Prebendaries of Windsor might be concerned in way of right thereto, and so referred the petition to Sir Edmund Sawyer for further information.

Certified by Simon Prickells, clerk of the Commission.

2 fs.

60 ✓

Copy of an order made on 5 December 1639 by the same. Day presents a certificate dated 25 November 1639, subscribed by doctor Wrenn, Dean of Windsor, and eight of the Prebendaries, declaring that they make no claim to the tythes which belonged to Lewes, but only to the portion sometime of the abbey of Bec. Ordered that for a fine of 20^l Day shall have a grant made of the tythes in question.

Certified by the same.

2 fs.

60A ✓

Another copy, similarly certified.

2 fs.

In the Exchequer.

William Day v. Sir Charles Blunt et al.,
for recovery of the rights of the Church.
1638.

(61 - 93)

In this case the following documents have been identified in the Public Record Office:-

Bills and Answers, E.112/233/95.

Decrees and Orders, E.125/25 f.392.

E.125/26 f.385d.

E.125/27 f.74d.

E.125/27 f.161d.

Depositions, E.134 16 Charles I E.24.

E.134 16 Charles I M.39.

Mich. 1638. Bill to the Barons of the Exchequer of William Day, clerk, vicar of Mapledarham, debtor to the crown, for the first fruits of his living and in divers other great sums. About 50 or 60 years ago one Mr. Mathewes was presented to the vicarage, and being very negligent of the preservation of the rights of the same, suffered Sir Richard Blunt, Knight, to encroach upon it and take away the glebe lands or a great part thereof, and divert or wholly stop up diverse ways for carts appertaining to the vicarage, and enclose waste and other open ground where the vicars had common of pasture. Mathewes did about 1630 and was succeeded by Mr. Smith who could obtain nothing of Sir Charles Blunt and was forced to sue him, but being poor got nothing thereby. He died (in 1635) and was succeeded by Daniel Collins for one year, who was followed by Day. Sir Charles Blunt by casual and indirect means has got into his hands the original composition or endowment of the vicarage under the seals of the Provost and Fellows and of the vicar, as of other evidences which may set out such lands as are part of the glebes, divers parcels of which he has entered and imparked, defacing the bounds thereof whereby they might be known from the demesnes. He confederates with his farmers, Thomas Martin and Francis Whithill, to refuse to pay any tythes on the manors. The loss to the vicarage is three or four score pounds.

William Day prays for a writ of subpoena to Blunt, Martin and Whithill to answer the foregoing.

9 fs.

62^A, 62A^B ✓

Draft or copy of petition from the Provost and Fellows of Eton, 15 October 1638, to the Archbishop, of Canterbury on behalf of Mr. William Day, incumbent of the church of Mapledurham, that he will recommend Day to the Judges and Barons of the Exchequer in which he has a suit depending for the regaining of the rights of the church. Day's petition to the

Archbishop is enclosed in which he asks for a recommendation to the Commissioners for Concealments.

3 fs.

63

Mich. 1639. Answer of Sir Charles Blunt, one of the defendants, to the Bill of Complaint of William Day, clerk.

23 fs.

64

Mich. 1639. The Replication of William Day, to the foregoing.

3 fs.

65

Hil. 1640. The Rejoinder of Sir Charles Blounte.

3 fs.

66

Presentments of the jury and homage of Mapledurham Gurney at a Court Baron on 11 August 1637.

Signatures and marks of

Griffin Kirsell
 John Wild
 Walter Alloway
 John Iremonger
 John Norman
 Francis Whittell
 John Michill
 Edward Wild
 Nicholas Iarnmangur
 Richard Whitt
 William Thatcher

2 fs.

Memorandum, that Nicholas Torrnmonger, of Mapledurham, on 11 December 1637, as William Day and George Blackwell, the elder, of Bray, were travelling to Reading from Mapledurham, overtook them on foot, they being on horseback, and among other discourse told them that for his meadow ground he paid 12d a year for tythes of hay for that which his father (lately departed) paid, but 9d for the tythe to the late vicar.

Signed by Blackwell.

2 fs. ✓

68

Testimony of Joan West, widow, of the age of 80, 6 August 1638, that the inhabitants of Mapledurham did at first pay but 4d for the tythe of that hay for which Mr. Matthews had afterwards 6d, and this 2d did Mr. Matthews raise throughout the whole parish.

Witnesses: Samuel Clerke, Thomas Nicholls, Agnis West.

1 f. ✓

69

Testimony of Lawrence Tovey, 27 July 1638, of the age of 80 that the manors or demesnes of Mapledurham Gurney and Chawsey have paid tythes, both great and small, in kind.

Mark of Tovey.

Witness: Samuel Clerke.

2 fs. ✓

70

Testimony of John Wild and others, 27 July 1638, that a way that used to go through a part of the coppice of the lord at the foot of Chawse wood hath been, by the lord's means, in the time of vicar Matthewes turned out of the coppice upon part of the vicar's glebe to the detriment thereof.

Signatures and marks.

2 fs. ✓

71

Testimony of John Wild and others, 27 July 1638, that Sir Charles Blunt has depopulated and pulled down some tenements not long since in the occupation of copyholders, the land thereof being laid to the lord's demesnes to the great inconvenience of the vicar.

Signatures and marks.

2 fs.

72

Copy of part of the answer of Sir Charles Blount, Knight, sued in the Exchequer by William Day in Michaelmas 1638 by English bill for detaining the tythe of his hay, and copies of the testimony of Thomas Clerke, John Freeman, Nicholas Horne, John Ironmonger, Griffin Kirsell, John Rawkins, Lawrence Tovey, Joan West, Francis Whittel, John Wilde and Toby Matthew, with Day's observations upon the same. In Day's hand.

A book of 32 fs.

73

Hil. 1640. Bill to the Barons of the Exchequer of William Day, debtor to the crown, against the Dean and Canons of Windsor. Sir Charles Blount claims that he holds the manors of Chausey and Gurney discharged from the payment of tythes claimed by Day, by virtue of a lease from the Dean and Canons to one John Sonnybank, of Lincoln's Inn, of Beckeharlewens Tythes. Day prays for a writ of subpoena to the Dean and Canons to show their right to the foregoing.

9 fs.

74

Hilary 1640. The answer of the Dean and Canons of Windsor to the bill of complaint of William Day, clerk.

6 fs.

75 ✓

10 February 1640. Order in Day v. Blount et al.
referring to Baron Henden, one of the Barons of the Court,
the answers of Sir Charles Blount and of the Dean and Canons
of Windsor for his opinion thereon.

13 fs.

76 ✓

Appointment, 18 February 1640, by Edward Henden of 22
February at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at his chamber in
Serjeant's Inns for the hearing of the cause.

1 f.

77 ✓

Another copy of the foregoing.

1 f.

78 ✓

Interrogatories to be administered to witnesses on behalf
of William Day. Signed by John Harrison and Henry Whistler.

18 fs.

79 ✓

A copy of the same.

13 fs.

80 A ✓

Depositions taken at Caversham, 10 April 1640, before
Henry Whistler, clerk, and John Harrison, gent., of Toby
Mathewe, Joen West, Margery Alloway, John Clarke, George
Blackwell, Thomas Michel, Thomas Blackman and William Costen.
Annotated by Day.

36 fs.

80A B *

A copy of the same, annotated by William Day.

33 fs.

Missing
(1968)

81

Report, 21 April 1640, by Edward Henden that the answers of the defendants are the same in substance as are alleged.

2 fs.

82

Another copy of the foregoing.

2 fs.

83

Petition, 23 April 1640, by William Day to the Archbishop of Canterbury to recommend his case to the Barons of the Exchequer, Annotated with such a recommendation, signed "W:Cant:".

2 fs.

84

An order for shewing cause why the plaintiff should not have the tythes not claimed. 24 April 1640.

7 fs.

84A

Another copy of the same.

7 fs. (torn at end).

85

Petition of Day to William, bishop of London, Lord High Treasurer, to recommend his cause to the Barons of the Exchequer. Annotated with a recommendation, signed by the bishop, 7 May 1640.

2 fs.

86

Minute concerning the decree. 8 May 1640.

2 fs.

87

Order for carrying the commission. 15 May 1640.

3 fs.

Warrant by John Harison and (J. Leroy), commissioners to examine witnesses, to seven witnesses (named) to appear on 26 August at the house of Francis Whittell in Mapledurham, 15 August 1640.

Two papered seals.

2 fs.

89 ✓

Interrogatories on behalf of Day. 26 August 1640.

3 fs.

90 ✓

Depositions taken at Mapledurham, 26 August 1640 annotated by Day.

28 fs.

91 ✓

Order for publication of depositions. 4 November 1640.

2 fs.

92 ✓

Order for an attachment against Sir Charles Blount to answer his contempt in respect of an order of 8 May last. 7 November 1640.

3 fs.

93 ✓

Commission to Richard Libb, esq., Anthony Libb, gent., Anthony Lynche, gent., and John Allen, gent., appointed under an order of Trinity 18 Charles I in the Exchequer K.R., dated 28 June 1642, in the suit between William Day, clerk, plaintiff, and Sir Charles Blount, Knight, and others, defendants, concerning tythes in Mapledurham, to examine what value the said tythes are and have been since Day has been incumbent.

Westminster 29 June 1642.

The extract from the Order Book is attached to the Commission by the seal tag.

Traces/seal, brown wax, on doubled tag.

An endorsement, more or less contemporary, that the
Commission was not executed.

2 ms.

In the Exchequer.

William Day v. Nicholas Salter,
Thomas Martin et al., for non-
payment of tythes. 1641.

(94 - 101)

In this case the following documents have been identified in the Public Record Office:-

Bills and Answers, E.112/233/101.

- Decrees and Orders, E.125/27 f.389.
- E.125/28 f. 409.
- E.125/29 f. 75d.
- E.125/30 f. 121.
- E.125/30 f.370d.
- E.125/31 f.104d.
- E.125/31 f. 154.

Bill of William Day in the Exchequer against Nicholas Salter, Thomas Martin, John Biddle and William Turner, tenants of Sir Charles Blount, for non-payment of tythes according to a decree of 8 May 1640 in Day v. Blount. (1641)

9 fs.

Answer of Martin and Turner to the foregoing. Taken at Reading 6 May 1641.

13 fs.

Order that the Bill and Answer be read in court on Wednesday next. 12 November 1641.

3 fs.

William
List of papers in the suit/Day, plaintiff, v. Thomas Martin, William Turner and others, defendants, 1644 to 1648. In the Exchequer.

1 f.

Order of the Court, 29 January 1647, for the defendants to show cause why the unexecuted commission to inquire the value of the tythes should not be renewed and a commissioner changed.

2 fs.

Memorandum of affidavit, 5 February 1647, by William Day that he has delivered the order of the court of 29 January to the defendants.

1 m.

Interrogatories, with the depositions thereto taken at Whitchurch on 1 May 1647 before Richard Lybb, esq., and John Allen, gent.

20 fs.

Copy of an order of the court, 3 November 1647, that the defendants shall show cause on Friday three weeks why the tythes should not be decreed for the plaintiff according to the values returned by virtue of the commission.

2 fs.

In the Exchequer.

William Day v. Walter Blount and Richard
Fletcher, for non-payment of rent for tythes.
1656.

(102 - 110)

In this case the following documents have
been identified in the Public Record Office:-

Bills and Answers, E.112/328/71.

Depositions, E.134. 1656. H.27.

In the Echequer.

Bill of William Day, clerk, against Walter Blount, esq., and Richard Fletcher for non-payment of rent for tythes.

By an agreement between Day and Anthony Langeston, of Bicester, co. Oxford, gent., dated 10 August 1648, Langeston, on behalf of Michael Blunt, of Mapledurham, esq., lord of the manors of Gurney and Chause, being then a minor, did covenant that Day would let yearly for certain years to Langeston all tythes upon all the orchards gardens and backsides belonging to the place house of the manor of Gurney as also upon the lands called Coales Kennell, Brickley, Little Coppice, Drovers Deane, Westfield, Westfield Hill, Hardwick Field and Mill Field, then and now in the tenure of Thomas Martin, as also upon the whole park, 30 acres whereof were then in the tenure of the said Langestone and the rest of Anthony Libb, gent., excepting so much of the park as had heretofore been part of the demesnes of the manor of Chawse, as also upon all the meadows and pastures which are part of the demesne lands of the manor of Gurney, excepting so much as had heretofore been part of the demesnes of the manor of Chawse, as also upon the mill and wharf waters (and) rights belonging to the manor of Gurney, as also upon the grounds in the tenure of John Peareman and Henry Horne, as also upon the gardens, backsides and orchards belonging to the house adjoining the park gate, then in the tenure of Francis Whittell, as also upon the gardens and orchards belonging to the almshouses adjoining the parsonage house, and all manner of tythes upon all the demesne lands of the manor of Chawse, that is to say upon all the orchards gardens and yards of Chawse Court and the Over Parke Greene Lease, Neither Park Small Meade, Berry Croft, Broad Lease, Greate White Lands, Partridg Hill, Rotemore Shaw, Rott More, Little Whitelands, Chawse Woods, Ridgfield Coppice and the island of meadow and all other lands which are part of the said demesne lands lying in any common field or mead, and all those lands in the park now in the tenure of the said Anthony Libb and in the Court Meade which have been anciently demesne lands of the manor of Chawse,

excepting two third parts of the tythes of corn, lambs, cheese, wool, pells, pigs, calves and pannage upon all the said demesne lands of the manor of Chawses and excepting all the tythes of lambs wool pigs and calves which were or should be of the increase of cattle of anyone of the parish of Mapledurham which were not or should not have been fed the greatest part of the year on the demesne lands of one or other of the said manors, though they did come or arise in or upon the demesne lands of the said manors, the said Anthony Langestone paying for the same the first year 70l and letting that year unto the said Day the little Mead and string of meadow ground lying between the wharf in Mapledurham and the ground of Richard Libb, of Hardwick, esq., for a peppercorn; and Langestone paying for the second year 65l and letting the mead and meadow ground as before, and paying for the third year 60l and letting as before. Day being interested in the tythes called Beckherlewin tythe, undertook to procure that Langestone should enjoy for three years a lease of the said tythes, without molestation from Joan Sonebanke of New Windsor, widow, who had a lease of the said portion from the Dean of St. George's, Langestone paying Day 10l a year for the same. After the first of the said years before Langestone had taken a second lease of Day of the tythes, Michael Blunt died and so the agreement ceased. Walter Blunt, brother of Michael, became lord of the manors of Gurney and Chawses. The tythes being much increased since the agreement with Langestone by converting 60 acres of pasture into arable, William Moore of the Middle Temple, esq., did treat with Day in the name of Henry Martyn, esq., pretended guardian of the said Walter, for making a similar agreement as with Langestone, which was made, namely to the effect that every year 80l should be paid in money for the tythes and the mead and meadow ground be let as before. A note was made of this agreement by Day and given to More, but Day had nothing in the hand of More. But as Martyn was then a Member of Parliament, "of greate imployment therein and not likely to come downe to Mapledurham, nor easie to be spoken with at London", More, in the hearing of

Day, gave in charge to Francis Postgate, bailly of Walter Blunt, of all the latter's affairs in Mapledurham; who performed the said agreement, and William Blunt, of Cawsham, co. Oxford, Walter's uncle, from time to time saw that it was observed. But when Walter Blunt attained the age of 21 at about Lady day 1654, he desired to continue the arrangement, but at corn harvest last he said he wished to return the tythes to Day, but would wait till after Michaelmas (1655). There was then delay in the payment of the 80*l*., Day receiving only 23*l*.. Meanwhile Walter had made over his whole estate to Richard Fletcher to pay his debts. Now the said Walter Blunt and Richard Fletcher challenge Day's right both to the rent and to the meadow and string of meadow ground at a peppercorn rent. Day cannot pay his debts to the Protector if deprived of this money. Hilary 1656.

2 ms.

103 ✓

Draft of the foregoing.

31 fs.

104 ✓

The answers of Walter Blounte, esq., and Richard Fletcher, gent., defendants, to the bill of complaint of William Day, clerk, complainant. Annotated by Day. Easter Term. 26 April 1656.

23 fs.

105 ✓

Further answers of the same.

Trinity Term. 6 June 1656.

5 fs.

106 ✓

Warrant from William Knollys and Thomas Brigham, by the authority of a commission of the Court of Exchequer, to William More, esq., William Blount, gent., Antony Lybb, gent., George Bulmor, gent., Francis Postgate and Samuel Collins, doctor of physic, to appear on Wednesday 15th October next

between 8 and 9 in the morning at the dwelling house of Henry
Laulie at Collins End in the parish of Whitchurch, co. Oxford,
to speak upon oath what they know of such articles or
interrogatories as shall be exhibited before them on behalf
of William Day.

Signatures of Knollys and Brigham.

Seals, red, applied.

1) Octagonal, 13 x 10mm. Armorial: first and fourth,
on a field semee of crosses crosslet, a cross
moline, second and third, on a chevron three
roses. Helmet, mantling, crest an elephant.
(Knollys).

2) Oval, 15 x 13mm. Armorial: a fleur de lys betw.
eight martlets in orle. (Brigham).

1. f.

107 ✓

Notification from the same to Walter Blounte, esq., of
their intention, by virtue of their commission, to hold their
examination of witnesses at Henry Laly's house on 15 October.
In deference to the wishes of Walter Blounte and Richard Fletcher,
gent., the other defendant, this date has been appointed rather
than 20 October as previously notified. 2 October 1656.

Signatures and seals as on foregoing.

And on the same sheet statement by the defendants that
they have been duly notified. 3 October 1656.

Signatures of Blount and Fletcher.

The document is in the hand of William Day.

2 fs.

108 ✓

Amongst the writs of Dedimus Potestatem of Mich. 1656
remaining in the Exchequer, interrogatories to be administered
to witnesses to be produced on behalf of William Day, clerk,
complainant, against Walter Blount, esq., and Richard Fletcher,
gent., defendants.

Paper copy, with some annotations by Day.

80 fs.

Depositions taken 28 October 1656 before Robert Nicholas,
one of the Barons of the Exchequer, in the foregoing suit.

Paper copy.

37 fs.

110 ✓

Depositions of witnesses examined at Caversham on 10 April
1640 before Henry Whistler, clerk, and John Harrison, gent.,
commissioners, in a cause in the Exchequer between William Day,
clerk, plaintiff, and Sir Charles Blunt, Knight, defendant.
Annotated by Day. [The same as No. 80]

Examined by Harpham, counsel for the plaintiff in Day
v. Blount and Fletcher, 4 November 1657.

33 fs.

In the Exchequer.

William Day v. Walter Blount, Richard
Fletcher, Griffin Kirsell, William
Turner et al. concerning tythes.

(111 - 156)

Bill of complaint in the Exchequer, Trinity 1658, of William Day, clerk, against Walter Elounte, esq., Richard Fletcher, Griffin Kirsell, William Turner and others, concerning tythes.

34fs.

112 ✓

Answers of Griffith Kirsall, Francis Postgate, John Walker and Robert Charles, four of the defendants to the bill of complaint of William Day, Taken at Reading, 22 October 1658.

21fs.

113 ✓

Answer of William Webb alias Turner, one of the defendants, Reading, 22 October 1658.

19fs.

114 ✓

Notes by Day of questions in the suit William Day v. Walter Elount. 1658.

with answers by Mr. Atkins.

2fs.

115 ✓

Answers of Elount and Fletcher, 22 January 1659.

30fs.

116 ✓

Depositions on behalf of the plaintiff, taken at Whitechurch, co. Oxford, 18 July 1659.

58fs.

117 ✓

Summary of 67 Interrogatories by William Day.

2fs.

Affidavit of Richard Fletcher, of the Inner Temple, gent.,
3 November 1659, in the suit Day v. Blount and others.

4fs.

119

Affidavit, 10 November 1659, by John Davis, of Pangbourne,
esq., in the suit in the Exchequer between William Day, clerk,
plaintiff, and Walter Blount, esq., Richard Fletcher and others,
defendants.

Sworn before Richard Tomlyns.

1m.

120

Order, 12 November 1659, in the Exchequer for a new
commission for the hearing of witnesses on behalf of the
defendants, and the cause to be heard some time next term.

3fs.

121

Depositions on behalf of the defendants, taken at Reading,
3 January 1660.

144fs.

122

Interrogatories to be administered to witnesses on behalf
of William Day, complainant, against Walter Blount, esq.,
Richard Fletcher and others. 3 January 1660.

6fs.

123

Hilary 1660. Day v. Blount in the Exchequer.
An extract from depositions.

2fs.

124

Affidavit of William Day. 23 January 1660

1m.

Order by the Remembrancer of the Exchequer, 24 January 1660, at the request of Mr. Atkins, counsel for the plaintiff, that depositions in two former suits viz. between the now plaintiff and Sir Charles Blount, father of the now defendant in 16 Charles I., and between the now parties in 1656, made be used in the present case, unless cause is shewn to the contrary by Friday next.

2fs.

126

Confirmation, 27 January 1660, of the said order.

2fs.

127

Order, 18 February 1660, that unless the defendants shew cause to the contrary by the second Thursday of Easter term, all the tythes and the arrears thereof from Michaelmas 1655 shall be decreed for the plaintiff. In the meantime the defendants are to pay the plaintiff 5l for his costs.

17fs.

128

Draft of the foregoing.

9fs.

129

Order, 5 June 1660, that, as the Court did not sit on the second Thursday of this term and the cause was thus not decreed, the former order is renewed to apply to the first Thursday of the next term.

3fs.

Order, 5 July 1660, upon further hearing of the cause, and the defendant's counsel insisting upon a modus decimandi, that both sides shall agree upon an issue, that a trial may be had concerning the said modus decimandi or otherwise the cause shall be set down to be further heard on Monday next come sennight at Sergeant's Inn.

2fs.

131 ✓

Order, 16 July 1660, that the defendants shall agree upon a modus decimandi and for what particular lands and tythes they allege the same to have been used, so that the matter can come to a trial before a jury of the county of Oxon at the latter end of next term.

5fs.

132 ✓

A breviat of the legal proceedings from the exhibiting of the plaintiff's bill in Trinity 1658 to the defendants' demand for a new commission.

2fs.

133 ✓

Breviate of the bill, answer and depositions.

11fs.

134 ✓

Another copy of the foregoing, 1659.

11fs.

135 ✓

Another copy of the same, 1659

11fs.

136 ✓

Another breviat of the case, and proofs for the plaintiff, 1660.

10fs.

Rough draft of the case, 1659.

98fs.

Another breviate, 1659.

10fs.

The case proved for the plaintiff, 1659.

10fs.

The issue as it is set out by the defendants for a trial at law.

1f.

Another copy of the foregoing.

1f.

Rough draft, in the hand of Day, of articles to be sealed by Mr. Day and Mr. Blount in order to a reference, wherein liberty is given to Mr. Day to proceed at law for the tythe of hay.

2fs.

Rough draft in the hand of Day, of articles of agreement between W. Blount, esq., and Mr. Day

2fs.

Notes by Day upon Mr. Blount's pleadings.

2fs.

Notes by Day concerning depositions.

3fs.

146 ✓

A breviate or argument, in the hand of Day, of the whole matter about the modus for hay.

10fs.

147 ✓

Draft of interrogatories by Day.

26fs.

A, B, 148 ✓

Memoranda by Day on the case.

2fs.

149 ✓

Draft of his bill by Day, amended in another's hand.

7fs.

150 ✓

Breviate by Day of contradictions of the defendants and their witnesses among themselves.

Endorsed: My Master hath seen these, but he saith he must have a more orderly breviate and one better writ or else he cannot be able to do you any good. These breviate will do no good.

3fs.

151 ✓

The issue, with exceptions to it, by Day.

1f.

152 ✓

Notes by Day, more than two years after his bill, concerning the defendants' disregard of the reference to sixty acres.

1f.

The issue set out.

2fs.

Rough draft of interrogatories by Day.

16fs.

Another rough draft of interrogatories.

32fs.

Rough notes by Day upon the lease made upon the agreement
of Mr Walter Blount and himself.

2fs.

In Chancery.

Walter Blount v. William Day,
concerning Lyster's Hospital.

1661.

(157 - 166)

Bill of complaint in Chancery, 15 June 1661, of Walter Blunt, esq., against William Day, clerk.

12 fs.

158 ✓

William Day's answer to the foregoing.

1 m.

159 ✓

Decree, at Eye, co. Oxford, 17 January 1662, by Sir Thomas Rich, baronet, William Barker, Anthony Barker and Thomas Knight, esquires, and Ambrose Freeman and John Eales, gentlemen, Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal for the execution of the Statute for Charitable Uses of 43 Eliz., ordering Walter Blunt to pay the churchwardens of Mapledurham 80^l for the arrears of the 2^s a week due to the six poor people of Lyster's Hospital, and 10^l damages for the prosecution of their case. Henceforth the 2^s is to be paid weekly according to the endowment.

By an inquisition taken at Henley on Thames on 10 December 1661 before the same, the misuse of the funds of the Hospital had been ascertained (more or less as set out in the letter of Knight to Rich, no. 260).

Copy of the record, examined by Edward Bulstrode, a clerk of the Petty Bag.

27 fs.

160 ✓

An abstract of Walter Blunt's exceptions (on 30 sheets of paper) to the order and decree of Sir Thomas Rich, baronet, William Barker, Anthony Barker and Thomas Knight, esquires, to be answered next Trinity term 1662. There are eight clauses.

Transcribed by Thomas Knight on 9 May 1662 out of Mr. Banester's letter to Mr. Wm. Day, dated 7 May 1662, sent by Toby Mathew.

1 f.

The exceptions of Walter Blount to the decree of the Commissioners. 1663.

Incomplete, 25 fs, the first and one or more at the end missing.

162 ✓

Instructions for the answers to be made to the exceptions of Walter Blount to the decree of the Commissioners of Charitable Uses.

2 fs.

163 ✓

Queries relating to several sales made of lands supposed to have been originally designed for maintaining the Hospital.

4 fs.

164 ✓

Interrogatories and depositions in the appeal in Chancery by Walter Blount, exceptant, against a decree of the Commissioners of Charitable Uses on behalf of the poor of the Hospital of Mapple Durham, respondents.

The depositions were taken at Whitchurch before Robert Hinderson, D.D., Anthony Libb, esq., and William Castle, gent., on 22 September 1663.

54 fs.

165 ✓

Warrant by Anthony Lybbe and William Castell to Thomas Knight, esq., by virtue of His Majesty's commission to them, in a cause in Chancery between Walter Blount, esq., and the poor of the hospital of Mapledurham, to appear to be examined as a witness. 30 September 1663.

1 f.

1-17 166 ✓

Rough Notes, mostly in the hand of William Day, concerning the almshouse or hospital built in Mapledurham by Sir Richard Blounte according to the will of Charles Lyster,

esq., who died in November 1613. It is not being adequately maintained by Walter Blounte.

A packet of 26 fs.

Arbitration.

Richard Lybb v. John Hawtrey. 1698.

(167)

74

State of the case between Richard Lybb, esq., tenant of the Dean and Canons of Windsor, and John Hawtrey, vicar of Mapledurham, concerning a piece of ground lately grubbed, which was formerly part of Chaucey Wood. Lybb will not accept the proposed umpire. 1698.

2 fs.

Copies of records, notes.

(168 - 226)

Extracts from the parish register of Mapledurham of burials, 1580 to 1582. Examined by Toby Matthew, "register and clerk" of the parish, in the presence of Humphrey Lakin, Matthew Day and John Price.

2 fs.

169

Identical extracts, examined by Toby Matthew in the presence of Humphrey Lakin, Edward Heywood, Richard Millard and Matthew Day, 31 May 1658.

2,fs.

170

Office copy of the two extracts from Domesday Book relating to Mapledurham.

Examined by Scipio le Squyer Under-Chamberlain at the Receipt of the Exchequer, Edward Fauconberge, Chamberlain there and Thomas Roe, Jan - Feb 1659.

John Todd, the copyist.

2 fs.

(Entered in folio book p. 86).

171

Certified copy of inquisition post mortem taken at Mapledurham on 3 January 1290 concerning the inheritance of William Bardolf, deceased, and of Juliana de Gurnay, his wife.

Certified by William Ryley, 8 February 1660, William Colet, Thomas Roe (and John Todd).

[Entered in the folio book p. 75].

3 fs.

172

Copy of Letters Patent of Inspeximus of charters to the Abbey of Bec (1 Henry V part 2 m. 21), 4 July 1413.

[Calender of Patent Rolls, 1413-1416, p. 50].

Certified by William Colet, deputy of John Borough, Knight, Thomas Rose, and William Ryley, 8 February 1660.

7 fs.

Office copy, certified by William Ryley, Keeper of the Records in the Tower, on 8 February 1660, and by William Colet and Thomas Roe;

of an extract from the Taxatio Ecclesiastica of Pope Nicholas, 1291, relating to Mapledurham (Taxatio Ecclesiastica P. Nicholai, 1802 p. 30).

(Entered in the folio book p. 76).

3 fs.

174

A note concerning searching in the Tower.

1 f.

175

Office copy of extract from the Hundred Rolls concerning Mapledurham (viz. Rotuli Hundredorum vol. II p. 774, heading for hundred of Kangtre, and p. 778, entry for Mapledurham).

Examined by William Ryley, Keeper of Records in the Tower, 8 Feb. 1660, William Colet, deputy of John Borough, Knight, and Thomas Roe.

(Entered in the folio book p. 88).

7 fs.

176

Copy of Letters Patent on behalf of Eton College (1 Edward IV part 3 m. 24), 23 February 1462, including grant of the portion of the alien prioress of Claruissel in the Church of Mapledurham. [Calendar of Patent Rolls, 1461-1467, p.73].

Certified by William Colet, John Todd.

5 fs.

177

Office copy of two extracts from records in the Treasury of the Receipt of the Exchequer, viz. from a bundle entitled Cartae et Scripta tangent' Ecclesias etc.

1) Decree of the Prior of Merton, the official of the Archdeacon of Surrey and the Dean of Ewell, appointed by Pope Gregory IX, 22 March in the second year of his pontificate (1228) to hear a complaint by the Prior and Convent of Lewes, of the order of Cluny, that the abbot of Missenden and others

in the diocese of Lincoln injure them in the matter of tythes, pensions, rents, etc. The Prioress and Convent of Clarus Révus, rectors of the church of Mapledurham, were represented by the prior (? vicar) of Mapledurham, their proctor. The Prior of Lewes claimed that from time immemorial he had received two parts of the greater and lesser tythes from the demesne of Hugh de Gurney in Mapledurham, sometime of the earldom of Wareme, except that of hay which was now withheld from him and which he claimed. The rectors ordered to restore the tythe of hay to the complainants. [Public Record Office, Exchequer T.R., Ancient Deed series A (E.40) no. 14958(2)].

2) Statement by Roger, abbot of Reading (1158-1164), that he was present and saw when Nicholas, the cellarer of St. Pancras, gave the tythe of Mapledurham, to wit two parts of the demesne, to Sir Ralph the clerk of Agi, for one mark silver, and Ralph received from Nicholas a chirograph relating thereto sealed with the seal of St. Pancras. Witnesses: Simon Capellanus Noster, Hugo filius cancellarius, Edwardus de Bocherste, Hugo de Sancto Pancrazio, Duramus presbiter, magister Wido, Robertus Pincerna, Osbertus nepos ejus, Gauffredus senescallus, Gilbertus nepos prioris de Sancto Pancrazio, Willelmus nepos noster, Radulfus nepos, Ricardus de Grenestedede. [E.40 no. 14958 (1)].

Examined by Edward Fauconberge and John Lowe, deputy chamberlains, with a note of search fees. 26 November 1677.

[Entered in folio book p. 71]. 10 fs.

178 ✓

Office copy of (1) in the foregoing.

Examined by Thomas Fauconberge, deputy chamberlain, 7 February 1658 (possibly 1638) and John Todd.

8 fs.

179 ✓

Notes by William Day, vicar of Mapledurham, concerning the foregoing.

2 fs.

[Entered in folio book p. 83].

Transcript by the same of (1) in the foregoing.

2 fs.

[Entered in the folio book p. 70].

Rough transcript by the same of the same.

2 fs.

Extract from the Register of Hugh Wells who became bishop of Lincoln in 1209:-

Mapelduram.

Vicaria in ecclesia de Mapelduram quae est abbatissae et monialium de Fonte Evroldi ut habetur in inquisitione consistit in toto alteragio (altarage or alter dues) cum miratis decimis et manse competente, et solvit vicarius synodalia tantum, moniales autem hospitium archidiaconi procurabunt et sufficit ibi unus capellanus.

Certified as a true copy by Richard Winstanley, registrar, and William Harvey. [Charles II]

[Entered in the folio book, p. 66.]

1 m.

Another copy of the same, certified by Philip Pregon. registrar.

ATT. TO FOREGOING.

2 fs.

see Lincoln Record Society, vol 3 (1912): Rotuli Hugonis de Welles vol I p. 178 where the entry relating to Mapledurham is given as follows: Mapelderham: Monialium de Geldesfontaines de partibus transwarinis. Vicarius habebit nomine vicarie sue totum alteragium cum manse competente et solvet synodalia. Moniales hospitium Archidiaconi procurabunt.

A little paper book half filled by William Day with extracts from Domesday Book and other records relating to Mapledurham.

11 fs.

185 ✓

"A list to y^e date of some Records", consisting of notes of the date of the Lateran Council of 1215 and other dates, by William Day.

1 f.

186 ✓

Copy of agreement between the Prioress and nuns of Clare Rivo, rectors of the church of Mapeldurham and Geoffrey de Chauseya, Knight, concerning tythes in Mapeldurham, 1225. [no. I] Transcribed from the muniments of Eton College. = this vol. ECR 48/1.

[Entered in the folio book p. 61.]

2 fs.

187 ✓

Copy, from the bishop's registers of Lincoln, of six presentations to the vicarage of Mapelderham from 2 October 1306 to 6 November 1484.

2 fs.

188 ✓

Copy of inquisition^s post mortem in the custody of the King's Remembrancer, taken at Watlington 7 August 1395, upon Robert Bardolf.

7 fs.

189 ✓

Copy of the composition between the College and Roger Gery, vicar of Mapulderham, of 20 January 1455. See also nos. 7 and 8.

2 fs.

Another copy of the same.

2 fs.

Transcript by William Day of a document among the muniments of Eton College, viz. a notarial copy, dated 8 November 1480, of the agreement of 1225 between the nuns of Claro Rive and Geoffrey de Chausey, and of the grant of Hugh de Gurnaco to the said nuns of all the lands and tenements in Mapledurham that they had from his father, together with pasture for 8 oxen, and of the grant of 6 July 1238 by Geoffrey de Chausey, son and heir of Geoffrey de Chausey, to the said nuns of all the gifts of his father. [Nos. 1 (1) and 1 (5)].

[Entered in the folio book p. 51]

2 fs.

Extract from a record of the First Fruits and Tenths, 26 Henry VIII [1534], of the payments of Thomas Peth, vicar of Mapledurham, viz. from the Valor Ecclesiasticas (vol. II p. 166). With notes thereon by William Day.

[Entered in folio book].

2 fs.

Another copy of the extract.

[Entered in the folio book p. 81].

3 fs.

Resume of Letters Patent of 16 February 1538, granting to Thomas Lord Cromwell the late monastery of Lewes and all its possessions except those in Norfolk.

[Letters and Papers, Henry VIII vol. XIII pt. 1 p. 138 no. 74].

7 fs.

Extracts from the registers of the College showing that Master Brewarne, vicar, paid 4l rent for Mapledurham rectory at Michaelmas 5 Edward VI (1551), and Master John Hodgeson the same for the same at Michaelmas 3 Elizabeth (1561).

Certified by John Hollenshed, under-registrar.

Endorsed that this paper was shown to Hollenshed at the time of his examination on the part of William Day v. Walter Blunt and others in the Exchequer. Signed, John Allen, Richard Aldworth, Nicholas Potenger.

1 f.

196 ✓

Office copy, extracted from the registers of the court for probate of wills and granting administrations, of the probate of the will of the lady Elizabeth Blount June 1582.

Examined by Richard Eades.

[Entered in the folio book p. 77].

1 f.

197 ✓

A copy of some clauses in a charter to Eton College relating to the recovery of annuities etc. unjustly detained. With a note of a writ of annuity in the name of Henry Savile, Provost, against Thomas Mathews, vicar of Mapledereham, for 12l arrears viz. for three years ending at Mich. 1603.

2 fs.

198 ✓

Copy of Inquisition Post Mortem on Sir Richard Blount, Knight, taken at Oxford on 8 October 1628.

33 fs.

199 ✓

An extract of the same.

8 fs.

Copy of the will of Sir Richard Blount, Knight,
9 May 1628, extracted from the Registry of the Prerogative
Court. Proved 11 November 1628.

13 fs, with a note to search
attached.

201 ✓

Copy from Exchequer K.R. Extents and Inquisitions, temp.
Charles I, concerning the portion of tythes called "the portion
of Lewis" in the parish of Mapledurham, containing the
commission of 12 February and the inquisition of 4 May 1638.

14 fs.

202 ✓

Transcript of Letters Patent of 2 May 1640 granting in
frankalmoign, for 201, to William Day and his successors, vicars
of Mapledurham of the tythes known as the portion of Lewes in
Mapledurham, viz. two parts of all tythes great and small
divided into three parts on the demesnes of the manor of Gurney,
that is 200 acres of arable and 100 acres of pasture and 200
acres of le Parke and 4 acres of wood, of the total yearly value
of 20 marks. And the said portion of tythe is to be annexed to
the said vicarage. Westminster. By Privy Seal.

[Eton College Records vol. XXXIX no. 171; Public Record Office,
Patent Roll, C.66/2881 no. 7]

Endorsed that the document was "lying in ye Chancery
Chappell".

[Entered in the folio book p. 67].

2 fs.

203 ✓

Copies, in the hand of Day, of extracts from legal
commentaries and of various records concerning his claim, some
noted as being "entered in the great white book". The last
entry recites the decree of the Court on 8 May 1640.

A book of 60 fs.

A copy of the will of Dorothy, widow of the late Sir Charles Blounte, Knight, 16 October 1646. Her daughter Elizabeth is appointed sole executrix, and her brother-in-law William Dormer and William Day overseers and guides to the executrix. The copy of the will is followed by William Day's accounts relating to its execution.

28 fs.

205 ✓

Notes by William Day, vicar, of records to be searched for what belongs to Eton College.

2 fs.

206 ✓

Rough memoranda by William Day concerning alien priories, clerical taxation etc. in the 14th and 15th centuries.

1 f.

207 ✓

The collection of William Day, containing many references to records, showing his propriety in the tythes he has enjoyed.

3 fs.

208 ✓

Notes by Day concerning the tythes.

2 fs.

209 ✓

A series of numbered questions, in the hand of Day, concerning tythes, with references to certain folio numbers.

A booklet of 20 fs.

210 ✓

De decima foeni

Copies, in the hand of William Day, of various records related to his claim for tythes of hay, with his observations thereon.

7 fs.

Notes by William Day relating to his cause against Walter Blounte et. al. William Horne had deposed on behalf of the defendants that he once saw 20s paid to Mr. Matthewes in lieu of tythes. "To this I say one swallow maketh not a summer".

2 fs.

212

Notes by William Day, in the form of questions and answers, concerning Beckherlewin tythes in Mapeldurham.

4 fs.

213

Another copy of the same.

4 fs.

214

Notes by the same concerning Milo Crispinus' grant of tythes to the abbot of Bee and the claim of Dean and Canons of Windsor.

1 f.

[Entered in folio book p. 5].

215

Further notes by the same on the same.

1 f.

216

Further notes by the same on the same.

2 fs.

217

Brief on behalf of William Day, based on the depositions of witnesses, in his claim to all tythes in Mapledurham which are not lawfully discharged. Written in the first person with many marginalia in the hand of Day. His predecessor, Mr. Matthews, who had been vicar for almost 60 years, had failed to assert his rights. He had "lived very poorely and bareley" and "did accept of the inhabittance what they were willing to pay for

their tythes". He "was conceived of his neighbours to be guiltie of some abuses for which hee might be putt out of his vicaridge. Therefore in that regard hee saide that if they spared him, hee would spare them in their tyth-hay".

A book of 22 fs, in a brown paper cover.

218

Notes in the hand of Day concerning his claim to tythe.

A book of 12 fs.

219

Transcription by William Day of a copy at Eton College of grant by Hugh de Gurnay to the nuns of Claras Rívus of lands they held from his father in Mapledurham, together with pasture for eight oxen.

1 f.

[Entered in folio book p. 48].

220

Extract from the Testa de Nevill in the custody of the King's Remembrancer of the Exchequer, viz. that part relating to the fee of Earl Richard of the honour of Wallingford (Book of Fees (1920) vol. 1 pages 445-6).

[Entered in folio book p. 89].

2 fs.

221

Extract from the Testa de Nevill in the Exchequer relating to the Honour of Wallingford viz. The Book of Fees (1920) vol. 1 p. 116, the first thirteen lines of the entry relating to the Honour of Wallingford as far as the word "Gonitis".

2 fs.

222

Notes of folio references in a book to certain records.

1 f.

223

An extract of the Nonarum Inquisitio relating to Staynton, co. Lincoln.

1 f.

The same relating to Little Carleton and Trusthorp, co.
Lincoln, and Ledbury, co. Salop.

2 fs.

225 /

A note by Day concerning hay and other tythes out of
Binius' Concilium Lateranum.

1 f.

226 /

A note by the same of grants by Milo Crispinus.

1 f.

Correspondence

(227 - 265)

Rough copy by William Day from Dr. John Kennall, at Christchurch, Oxford, 24 May 1573, to Dr. Day, dean of Windsor, concerning the matter depending before him touching the vicarage of Mapledurham and the College of Windsor. It seems to him that Mr. Wilde's witnesses have proved the right of the vicars and their farmers to the matters in suit. [The original among the maniments of Eton College].

1 f. ✓

228

Fair copy of the same.

2 fs.

[Entered in the folio book p. 49].

229 ✓

Charles Blount, Thursday [1630], to Mr. Smith, vicar of Mapledurham, suggesting that they refer their differences to a neighbour. "I desire that you will not hark to the clamorous tungs of my ungratefull and rudctennants w^{ch} if you should assure yourselfe they will sow that dissension betweene us that ther will be little love betweene us. For your predecessors ther hath alwayes beene mutuall courtesies w^{ch} I desire may continue, and I should be glad to see your selfe and wife at my house".

2 fs. ✓

230

Copy of letter from the Provost and Fellows of Eton, 4 April 1638, to the Dean and Canons of St. George's, Windsor, asking them to review their grant of the small portion of tythes called Beckharliwins and send a note of the particulars of which it consists.

1 f. ✓

231

George Goad, London, 23 April 1639, to his cousin, Mr William Day, at Dr. Collins's lodgings in Windsor Castle. Reports Mr Attorney's opinion that "it shall come to ye Church upon reasonable termes, rather then to S^r Charles, though he offer never so largely".

2 fs.

Copy of instruction to forward a fair copy on parchment of a particular of all that portion of tythes mentioned in an indented inquisition taken at Henley on this 4 May [1639] before John Worsope, esq., and Henry Whistler, clerk, by virtue of a commission out of the Exchequer.

1 f.

Anthony Langstone, London, 23 May 1639, to Dr. Renn, Dean of Windsor, warning him that Mr. Day's last proceeding does much concern the Chapel of St. George, for he has entitled His Majesty by inquisition to the portion of tythe enjoyed by them for many years. Sir Charles Blount's interest is but a lease for three years at a rent of 40*l* a year. "I have searched the fine and surrender of the Prior of Lewis to Kinge Henry the Eighte, and therein is noe mencion of this porcion, yet Mr Day under pretence of that Surrender hath intituled His Majestie to the porcion, and I Suppose under the pretence of some ancient title wherein the prior hath many hundred of years beene heretofore mencioned to some title. To looke into the depth of ancient recordes both of the tower and other places to a strainger is very difficulte".

Fragment of red wax Seal, applied.

2 fs.

Anthony Langston, London, 17 September 1639, to Mr William Day, parson of Mapledyrham, at Dr Collin's house in Windsor, promising to attend to business as soon as Sir Charles returns from the north.

Seal, round, 14mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, on a chevron between two roses in chief and a dolphin in base a (?) fleur de lys.

2 fs.

Sam: Clerk, Mappedurham, 26 October 1640, to Mr Day at Windsor Castle, excusing Sir Charles Blounte for not coming tomorrow.

Seal, red wax, applied, a bad impression.

2 fs.

Richard Day, Mitcham, 1 August 1642, to his cousin William Day, mainly concerning his difference with the Provost of Kings about his enjoyment of the third part of the appropriate parsonage of Wedon Weston in Northamptonshire. The letter is accompanied by copies of Secretary Conway's letter of 7 July 1627 to Sir Thomas Aylesbury concerning Day's proposition for the increase of woods in Windsor Forest (Cal. State Papers, Domestic, 1627-8, p. 246), with the resultant warrants under the signet of 13 August to William Taylor, surveyor of the honour and castle of Windsor; and of the petition of the same Richard Daye, son of William Daye, sometime bishop of Winchester, dated 27 January 1630, for reference to a select number of the Council of a scheme for buying up impropriations, with the reference of the same to a Committee headed by the Archbishop of York (Cal. State Papers, Domestic, 1629-31, p. 174), with copies of other documents in this matter and a Discourse upon the Petition and Declaration by the petitioner; also An apologie respecting the late Parliamentarie Ordinance for publike repentance and humiliation; and A briefe Preface which was devised and framed before the coming forth of the said Order of Parliament.

A book of 20 fs. endorsed: *Proceedinges of my cosen Mr Richard Day; for gaining of inpropiations to the church; and for y^e plantations of woods.*

Anthony Langston, 9 July 1644, to Mr Day, vicar of Mapledyrham, concerning the latter's title to tythes. "You shall allwayes fynde mee open and willinge to receave all reasonable motions from you".

Seal, round, 12mm., red wax, applied. A skull.

2 fs.

Draft of W. Day, Mapledurham, 20 December 1645, to -----, entreating him to pay the bearer, Mr Joshua Kyrton, a stationer in Foster Lane near Goldsmiths' Hall, 3l "for what hath beene due to mee, since you seased your mills and watters into your owne handes, for y^e tithes thereof".

1 f.

239

The same to the same in answer to a letter of 12 January in which the latter offers to pay 10s a year. "If Mr Matthews accepted of ~~ten~~ shillings a yeare, it is noe obligation to mee. He might doe with his owne what he pleased, he might lett that which you say he lett for ten shillings for ten groates, yea for ten pence if hee wold".

2 fs.

240

Ryc. Blount, London, 2 February 1647, to Mr Day, proposing an agreement. "There be many honest men in the parish that I could be well contented to referre the buisness unto (if you please) rather then goe a litigious way which may soone cost more then the tithes doe come to as yet, and in my opinion it ware a very praeposterous course to use the ultimam remedium in the first place".

Seal, round, 15mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, Blount; helmet mantling and crest.

2 fs.

241

Anthony Langston, 25 June 1648, to Mr Day concerning their proposed agreement.

1 f.

242

Walter Blount, London, 26 March 1655, to Mr William Day at his house in Mapledurham. "I understood by Mr. Fletcher that he had in order to settle and determine all businesses betweene you, and I offered you [in consideration of those tythes w^{ch} belong

unto you] a yearly paiment of fower score pounds, to be devided halfe in land and halfe in mony in equall portions, Provided you would acknoledge the custom of fortie shillings per annum in leiu of tythe Hay in Kind, and this to be included in thaforesaid Composition of 80^l per annum, w^{ch} Ile assure you he did of his owne accorde (wthout by direction) for tis much more then I should have condescended to. If you goe to Law to decide that dispute be confident of an ill successe. However, that court, if you refuse, I am resolved shall put a periode to all our controversias. Wherefore, Mr Day, I must desire y^r finall and positive answer, by [Horne's] next returne, though to shew you my willingnesse to peace and good neighbourhood I will stand to his propositions w^{ch} I know to be disadvantagious enough to him who is your loving friend and servant. Wee both present our services to you and Mrs Day".

Seal, oval, 17 x 13mm., red wax, applied. Beneath a crown W.

243

Draft of William Day, Mapledurham, 11 August 1655, to the uncle of Mr. Blount's wife. Day had known Blount very little till he settled at Mapledurham. "He was sometimes at church and he denied himselfe to be a Papist, and I have hearde and tooke notice of it, that in y^e presence of those who professed themselves Papists he hath see jested upon y^e Pope y^t I conceive none of that religion durst to have done it, yet I must confesse hering y^t see many of his friends and kindred had professed that way, I have staggered in my judgement what to thinke of him. But for his civil parts he is a man of a loving nature, a kind husbände to his wife, a respective sonne to his mother in law, a wary husband in his estate, a kind man to his neighbours hating rather than affectinge the prodigal waies of yonge gentlemen. I hope y^t I shall be see happie as to send you worde one day y^t he is a good Protestante alsoe".

2 fs.

Draft of W. Day, 16 August 1655, to a lady concerning the authority of the Scriptures, which in her opinion require interpretation by a Council headed by the Pope.

2 fs.

245 ✓

Draft of another letter by the same concerning the infallibility of the church. The recipient's niece is mentioned "y^e ablest of y^e whole family".

1 f.

246 ✓

Draft of letter from William Day, 7 January 1656, to Mr William Moore concerning Mr Walter Blunt's refusal to stand to an agreement made in his minority.

6 fs., sewn, three of them blank.

247 ✓

William Moore, London, 16 January 1656, to William Day.
 "I am sorrey there should be any difference betweene yourselfe and my cosen Blount. As for the particulars of the former agreement I cannot well remember only this I can say, that what was agreed to was done by the suggestions of my brother W^m Blount and Francis Postgate, the bayley, and as I conceave was in pursuance of a former agreement made betweene Mr Langstone and yourselfe"

Papered Seal.

1 f.

248 ✓

Draft of William Day, Holburne, 17 December 1656, to Mr Blount shewing his willingness to embrace an agreement.

1 f.

249 ✓

Draft of William Day, Mapledurham, 26 January 1657, to Mr Walter Blounte at London. There are two differences between them, one in suit, namely concerning the rent due to Day for 1655 for the tythes of Blounte's demesne, the other not in suit, as to the

modus decimandi of the hay, Day claiming it in kind, Blounte pretending a rate of 40s a year in discharge thereof.

2 fs.

250 ✓

Draft of letter from William Day, after 1657, about the value of the tythes etc.

2 fs.

251 ✓

William Day, Mapledurham, 21 February 1658, to Mr Knight asking how much he paid Mr. Atkins' clerk on his behalf.

On the lower half of the same sheet:

Wa: Knight, 20 (sic) February 1658, to Mr Day stating that he paid 10s.

1 f.

252 ✓

Walter Blount, 7 April 1658, to William Day, in answer to a letter of his of 5 April proposing to refer their difference to two lawyers but without prejudice to any suit begun or to be begun by Day. Blount is quite agreeable, but, "if you have already begun a suite lett y^e law end itt". "Sword and dagger is quite out of fashion amongst gents."

Seal, round, 13mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, a device.

2 fs.

253 ✓

Draft of William Day, 14 April 1658, to Walter Blount, in answer to the foregoing.

1 f.

254 ✓

Rough draft of William Day, 3 January 1659, to Mr Walter Blount's lady, showing the fairness of his proceedings.

2 fs.

Richard Fletcher, Inner Temple, 24 April 1659, to Mr William Day asking him to meet him in London in order that they can without delay proceed with drawing up the documents mentioned in the foregoing agreement.

Fragment of a small Seal, red wax, applied. G.

2 fs.

256 ✓

William Satterwaite, Greys Irme, 17 August 1659, to Mr Daye. He has searched in vain in the Court of Wards for that order for the redeeming of Coxwell. The search has cost 8 or 10s at least.

Seal, oval, 18 x 15mm., red wax, applied. Armorial, a mitre beneath a crown.

2 fs.

257 ✓

William Day, 20 February 1660, to his wife, reporting the hearing of his cause.

1 f.

258 ✓

The same, 21 February 1660, to the same. He has had "a greate advantage of mine adversaries".

"This day is a day of great rejoicinge in London - bonfires, bells ringing and gonns shooting while I wright this. The cause, therof is because the secluded members were put into y^e Parliament House this day by General Monck, who being y^e greater parte now of the House have voted a free Parliament to be chosen against the 20th of April There is a greate cheerefulnessse in y^e faces of most men, in hope once more of happy daies".

1 f.

259 ✓

Anthony Barker, 26 October 1661, to Thomas Knight, esq., at Wyval Court, his "cosen Knight". He and his brother and Sir Thomas Rich are all meeting on Friday next at Twyford.

Seal, red wax, applied, armorial, half broken away. The blank paper has been annotated by the recipient with the proceedings of the justices in the matter of the poor of

Mapledurham hospital since 12 September 1659.

2 fs.

260

Thomas Knight, Wyvold, 31 October 1661, to Sir Thomas Rich, knight and baronet, at his house at Sunning co. Berks, setting out the case of Mappederum hospital. Charles Lyster by his will of 23 October 1613, proved 27 November 1613, bequeathed to Sir Richard Blunt his lease (for 1000 years) of Coxwell Heath, co. Berks, to be sold, and the sum realised to be employed on erecting a hospital for relieving a convenient number of poor people, or a free school for poor children in Bissiter or Mappederum or in Farrington, co. Berks. By Letters Patent of 1 April 1617 Sir Richard founded the hospital of Mappederum and placed therein 6 poor people and called it Charles Lyster's Hospital, and erected a monument in the church to the memory of Lyster. By the Patent he allowed the 6 poor people 2s apiece weekly and 2 loads of wood apiece a year. He died in May 1628. Then his son Sir Charles Blunt succeeded to the management of the hospital and allowed the poor 2s a week but subtracted the wood. He died in June 1644. His son Michael Blunt and his guardians paid 2s a week until 1647 when he subtracted 6d a week besides the wood. He died in 1649 before he came to the full age of 21 years, and was succeeded by his brother Walter, who, or his guardian, allowed only 18d a week to the poor "untill within these 2 yeares last past divers of the poore people beeing dead he hath neither filled up theire places nor intendeth to fill them up, and denyeth pay to Tobie Mathews, an almesman."

"This pious worke by the Kingdomes sad and lamentable distractions hath bin for many yeares obstructed", also by the non-appearance of the Commissioners to deal with the same. Now Knight presents his observations to prepare Rich for the next intended conference with other commissioners.

2 fs.

Thomas Rich, Sunninge, 3 November 1661, to Mr Thomas Knight, Wyfold's Courte, promising to attend and perform that which appertains to justice and equity.

Seal, round, about 15mm., red wax, applied. Broken away at left and top. Armorial, on a saltire five crosses crosslet.

262

Margaret Gamm, 13 November 1661, to her loving uncle, Thomas Knight, to be delivered with a barrel of oysters. Regrets that the former barrel did not come safely to him.

The blank paper of this letter contains notes by Knight on the case of the hospital, a draft of a letter to Rich and a copy of a letter from the latter who hopes "y^t wee may with y^e more and better advice of lawers proceed with all alacrity to the refreshing of y^e bowells of the longedistressed and languishing poore against ^{all} oppressors."

2 fs.

263

Thomas Banister, Dorchester, 19 January 1664, to Thomas Knight, esq., at Wivall Court, concerning the possibility of having Mr Day and Symons examined, and the delaying of the other side.

2 fs.

264

The same, 19 August 1664, to the same concerning the meeting of the commissioners at Oxford on Wednesday next.

1 f.

265

William [?], 18 June 1685, to Mr. John Hawtrey at Mappeldurham concerning his dispute with Mr Blount about tythes. A passing reference to Monmouth's rebellion.

Fragment of Seal, red wax, armorial.

2 fs.