

63/112 contd.

Cash accounts both end with Deye quit. Stock account, r1d [1406] includes sowing - wheat; and in the barn, beans; and horses. Cattle: 14 plough-oxen, of which the first was a heriot, and two deducted for the larder. Then 25 dairy cows, 2 bulls, 7 bullocks. [Two badly faded lines below in browner ink cannot be read confidently:] /2 heifers above them, after the bullocks. / 2 (lepes/lepies?) bought at Leighton, Oct. [1406], 2s.8d;  
3 bowls (scutellos) price 9d. from store. Both are added to the stock in a separately lined sum.

Stock account on r2d [1407]: 25 dairy cows, less two, murrain: not in milk because sick; one needed for the lord's larder; two sold in Oct. after end of account.

Sum, five deducted: twenty-five [sic] dairy cows remain.

Besides the contemporary heading and dates on r1d, 'Grovebury rot. cur' may be in Martin's hand, 1724. This may have been a slip made in haste. Both rotulets have matching stitch-holes across the top, and may be loose strays from compoti in a lost file. We know from 63/110, p.122 above, that these years' Court rolls are missing; it is not likely that compoti would have been filed on Court rolls.

63/113.

Compotus, 1441: Grovebury and members.

Of John Sewell, overseer and collector of rents and farms.

Parchment, 2 ms; m2 nibbled down right edge with some text lost. Latin. The layout closely resembles the first rent roll, ECR 61/RR/A/35 (1447), r1/1-1/2d.

This account is for the whole year Mich. 19 to Mich. 20 Hen. 6.

After arrears, rents of assize in villis (rearranged here in alphabetical order):

BILLINGTON; BOW BRICKHILL, SIMPSON and CALDECOTTE in BOW BRICKHILL [C. not separately listed in headnote, p.107 above]; EGGINGTON and CLIPSTONE; HEATH AND REACH; LEIGHTON BUZZARD; RADNAGE.

(Above RADNAGE, rents from an extent of seven named tenants ibidem: place not explicit.)

Rents increased and new;

Yevepens and Peterpens. Yevepens, with initial yogh in marginal heading and text (quodam redditu voc' yevepens): payable yearly by the whole lordship at Pentecost: sum £4.3.3 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

St. Peter's pence, 5s. from all tenants within the lordship, paid at Mich. falling within period of account.

Farm of market and mills. LEIGHTON market includes Court Hall and solar [cellar?] beneath the Hall; leased to William Ponde, this the third and last year of three-year term: £9;

Two watermills of the lord's, leased to Thomas Milleward, this the sixth of seven-year term. By Court roll of 15th year of present king [1436-7]: £10.13.4.

Farm of demesne lands, pasture and meadows. Site of GROVEBURY manor with lordship's lands etc., leased to Walter Blonte, with easement of a grange and dairy (deyhous), as John Hewet had: £20, with £20 in money of the lord's in hand to be paid before end of the term.

A lost (Bury) in CLIPSTONE and (Grovelond) in EDLESBOROUGH are among place-names or field-names. This § also details holdings in LEIGHTON; EGGINGTON and CLIPSTONE; BILLINGTON; HEATH AND REACH; STEWKLEY; STUDHAM; and GROVEBURY dovecot (no receipt: dovehouse decayed to the ground), rabbit-warren and garden within the site of the manor confirmed to John Marham for twenty years, as in Court roll of 14 [Hen. 6: 1435-6], this the sixth year: 10s.

No receipts from outgoings or farm of warren, because charged above on GROVEBURY demesne lands.

Sale of woods ...

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Sale of woods and underwoods;

Perquisites of Courts, with marginated memorandum about an estray, and a heriot from named late tenant not yet presented.

\*\* Yevepens. Cf. the rent due from the ten. in 63/109 File 4 r19d, noted above at p.121.

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[63/114-116]

HENLEY Manor in GREAT SHEFFORD, Berks.

Member of MONK SHERBORNE priory, Hants. See headnote to 63/123-134 below, <sup>at</sup> p. 140 .

No manor of Henley in Great Shefford is recorded in VCH Berks. iv.238-42: but one was evidently created in the five hides of land in the parish given to Sherborne priory temp. Henry I by Hawise, wife of Henry de Port founder of the priory. (VCH ibid., 240.)

For the confirmation of Hawise's gift by her son John de Port, see Monasticon vi.1014, No;2. See also Fees, 295 (1220): the prior of Sherborne holds in West (Great) Shefford. In FA i.50 (1316) he is one of the three named holders of Great Shefford with Henley and Farley. The others were the lords of West Shefford and of Coldridge manors (VCH ibid., 239,240). Andrew de Hautot lord of West Shefford is a free tenant in Henley manor in the first roll below.

The Hundred of Eagle, later Kintbury Eagle, Berks., is endorsed <sup>on</sup> of 63/115 mld; it included Great Shefford, and the endorsement may point to removal of suits from manor Court to <sup>H</sup>undred Court.

Henley survives as a farm name north of Great Shefford: EPNS 1 (Berks. ii), 327.

The first and second rolls, each of three membranes with annexures sewn on, are made up of originals or copies and extracts from Courts of widely separated years. Not all can be confidently dated. The context of annexed dockets is not always clear from the underlying roll. Only the third roll, of one membrane, is complete in itself.

A custumal with fragmentary valor is twice enrolled in C14 Courts. The later version, fuller than the earlier, may have been copied for the first Court of recognition of a new prior of Sherborne: but it cannot be dated to match priors listed in VCH Hants ii.228-29. The earlier enrolment, in 1310/11, comes between priors listed as occurring in 1273 and 1329: but no textual detail allows me to suppose that there was a new prior or that the custumal was written into the Court of his first recognition by the tenants in Henley.



63/114. Courts, 1285, 1323;  
 Custumal [copy] 1310/11;  
 Extracts of Courts, 1321 x 1330;  
 Memoranda of payments, 1327-29[?].

Parchment; 3 ms, all short; different sizes, several hands.  
 Two parchment dockets sewn to m1.

Triangular tear at head of m1 has taken part of date in heading;  
 text lost from five lines. All membranes faded and stained; patchy  
 green discoloration on m3, both sides; weak at these spots.

Membrane 1 Court of Henley held on Monday next ...  
 [hole] Evangelist, 4 Edward son of Edward.

[The Court can therefore be dated only: 1310 Sept. - 1311 Apr.]

Custumal. Four free tenants: the first is Andrew de Hotot (see  
 headnote, p.124). The first of four villeins, Richard Dun, has a  
 section to himself and the top line of the next, above the other  
 three.

Demesne lands sworn to by jurors. Inquisition also reveals three  
 leases by villeins named in the list. The final entry, of a villein  
 who took himself off to the fee of Andrew de Hotot, with fine made  
 for chevage, is above part of a line buried in sewing to m2. The  
 custumal may conclude, fragmentarily, on m1d; see below.

\* \* The first parchment docket, n.d. but contemporary (possibly in  
 the same hand), is a list of free and villein tenants. Two free, of  
 whom Andrew de Hautot is the second; Richard Dun is fourth in the  
 left-hand of two columns, with nat[ivi] marginated. If the right-hand  
 column continues the villeins' names, there are perhaps seventeen,  
 allowing for erasures and additions. Dorse blank.

This docket was found detached; as soon as recognised, resewn  
 through original stitch-holes in 1983.

The second docket: Extracts from Courts, 1329 Aug. 29;  
 1330 Nov. 27.

Defaults; heriot; fines; distrainments. Dorse blank.

Membrane 1d [In a thicker contemporary hand]  
 A few lines at head, mutilated by the triangular tear,  
 are badly faded. Ultraviolet reveals part of a valor or year's pay-  
 ments; but too much is irretrievably faded to be read confidently.  
 The last entries include chevage and hidage, but sums not seen.

Below this,

Vic' ... xv d. [No more made out]

and [in translation]: And paid for Christmas term year 62, 7s.9d[?]

In the middle of the membrane:

De panibus de He[n]lee unus de xxj lib. et alius de xxiiij lib.

Upside-down below that, names of four villein tenants with number of  
 sons and daughters of each; names familiar from the front. [Presumably  
 a memorandum for customary tenures.]

The line including 'anno lx ij<sup>o</sup>' is in browner ink but appears to be  
 in one of the hands writing the valor and payments. It is not clear  
 whether the clerk was copying '[12]63' from an older account or was  
 thinking of '[13]63' which makes better sense in the context of the  
 custumal and valor copied temp. Edward 3, in 63/115 below.

Endorsements, C16 and C19, place-name and summary title, are at  
 left (sideways) and at right by free edge. The tattered m1 is the  
 wrapper.

Membrane 2 [In an earlier hand]

Extract of Court of Henley, 1321 Mar. 17.

[Dated on the assumption that Anno RR xiiij.o is of Edward II, because  
 the next entry but one is of 1 Edw. 3. Personal names tally with m1  
 and dockets.]

63/114 Membrane 2 contd

[The 1321 Court] and subsequent extracts include marriages; entry fines; heriots; and tallage. Sums issuing from each Court are marked off, some ringed at right.

Extracts of Courts, 1323 Aug. 22 [anno RR xvij<sup>mo</sup>];  
1327 Apr. 16 [1 Edw. 3].

The last line of the 1327 extract has the reeve's day for accounting, Sunday within the feast of St. Luke; Oct. 18 was a Sunday that year.]

Membrane 2d [Larger and rougher hand, C14 first half]

Notes on eleven lines of tenants' payments; from Mich. term anno regis primo to Easter term anno tercio. Tentatively assumed, cf. the extracts on front of the membrane, to mean 1 to 3 Edw. 3.

The second line is puzzling: 'Item solvere pro me rectori ecclesie sancti cuberfi 9s. 10d.' The saint's name is clear; no suspension-mark.

St Cuthbert is a much more likely dedication than St Hubert; see D.H. Farmer, Oxford Dictionary of Saints (Oxford, 1978), pp. 55b, 198a. TPN for Sp. and Temp., dioc. Sarum, Admry Berks., deanery of Newbury, at 187b, 191b, have nothing bearing on this line in the church of Shefford. VCH Berks. iv. 241 has Great Shefford church dedicated to St. Mary with no mention of earlier, lost dedication. I cannot therefore suggest a correction for 'St. Cubert'.

Membrane 3

Henley. Court of the prior of Monk Sherborne held there, 1285 June 26; [regnal year: 13 E.];

Court, 1285 Mar. 13 or Sept. 4.

[Tues. after St. Gregory, pope, 13 E. The first feast is the plain name-day; the second, the ordination.]

The handwriting is contemporary with the text.

Membrane 3d

Court, 1323 Aug. 22. [17 Edward son of Edward.]

In two hands; different from the others.

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Extracts from Courts, 1274;  
Courts, 1362/3, 1367;  
Court [of first recognition; Custumal  
with part of valor, C14 second half.]

Parchment, 3 ms; BADLY DAMAGED. Rodents have eaten away much of right of ms 1,2; m1 defective at top, stained, crumpled and weak.

Membrane 1

Only 'Curia de Henle tenta ... proxima ante festum ...' remains of heading.

Text is clearly the custumal with more detail than in 63/114 m1, in a hand later in C14. Text appears to end naturally, half a line above sewing to m2.

Membrane 1d

A few incomplete lines of valor of the manor.

Sums of [rents of, lost] assize; customary rents; demesne lands at farm. The total yearly value: 66s.  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

In a different hand from the front; the last line, translated:

'And the aforesaid tenants gave to the lord for recognition 4s.'

In a late C13 hand below - which suggests that the valor was written later in a space found blank -

Edmund le Frankeleyn of Henley comes and gives pledges for services in arrears; and he comes to Sherborne priory, 1274 Apr. 24 [RR E. secundo]; does fealty to the lord prior for a ten. held of him in Henley, before brother John de Karon and other witnesses.

Membrane 2

Court of Henley, in the time of Prior William of Sherborne, Tues. next [date within year lost], 36 Edw. 3, AD 1362.

Membrane 2 contd/

63/115 Membrane 2 contdCourt, 1363 Nov. 16.

The two records are in different hands, and a third adds one entry below the second Court. Several inches unused below.

\* \* Sewn over m2 at left, two parchment dockets; themselves sewn together head to tail.

(a) French. In a difficult hand, C14 second half. Written on hair side of rubbed skin; several blots, some apparently shaped to cancel letters. (I am indebted to my wife and to Miss Mary Siraut for help in reading the text; my translation of the gist is not wholly confident.)

The prior's tenants of Henley complain to him that John de Chalforys deforced them of demesne land called the down near John's land called Selyndone.

[Item] Whereas the prior should have nine beasts pasturing on Trendel-done, from the time when the pasture is taken in by the lord of Shefford, up to the feast of St. Laurence [10 Aug.], the said John has deforced the pasture as his farm and outside the part of the prior's tenants.

[Item] John says that the prior has neither holding nor profit in the pasture there [sc. within John's fee]. John objects that the prior unjustly avers or has averred that the pasture is within his fee [sc. of Henley manor].

[Item] The tenants complain that John has compelled them to make a defence, whereas they have by no means ever done so. (Dorse blank.)

(b) Stained, crumpled and weak at spot of green staining. Latin. In hand of the first Court on m2. Headed Redditus de Heynle.

Free and customary tenants; many names familiar from 63/114 and the copied custumal in /115. Query complete, as text ends close to foot; with sum, 49s.2d; terre et communia ultra.

Docket (b) dorse: entries in two hands, C14 second half; at Court and at the priory, days with no year named. Apparent claims towards an assize of mort d'ancestor, though it is not explicit.

Hundr' de Eggele (Eagle; see headnote, p.124) in middle of dorse, suggests removal of the suits in both dockets to the higher Court. In yet another contemporary hand below, spread to use up blank space: Rents from Henley [contd]; stained and blotted.

Sum: 32s.6d. saving lands named (but not read) and personal names.

Membrane 2d [contemporary] Henleig[h] at top; rest blank.

Membrane 3 [Another contemporary hand]

Court held at Henley by William Owy [or Owyng? g with suspension mark spaced after the 'y'], AD 1367 and 42 Edw. 3. No date within year.

Dorse blank. Stitching shows that the short membrane used to be sewn to another.

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Court, 1388.

Parchment, 1m; stained and stiff along old folds. Dorse blank.

Stitch-holes along torn top; text cut through at foot.

Little Court of Henley, in the time of Ingtrand, prior of Sherborne; 1388 O&t. 22.

\* \* Prior Ingtrand is 'Inguerand de Duino' in list, VCH Hants ii. 229a (1375-97); 'Ingebran', receiving custody with issues, from death of William the last prior; LP, Westminster, 1380 Apr. 28; ECR 47/108.

William Bernard, VCH loc. cit., is there dated 'c.1369'. From 63/115 m2 and 47/108 his dates can be extended to

'occurs 1362; d.1375.' His predecessor cannot be likewise fixed from the custumal later copy.

[63/117,  
118.]

HOOE manor, Sussex

parcel of BEC/  
OgbourneSee Morgan, English Lands ... Bec, Appendix: p.143 and n.9.Acquired 1441 E. Rot. Parl. v.48b.

Farm and rent of £23.16.4 yearly paid by Roger Fenys kt, treasurer of the k.'s household, for the manors of HOOE and [West] PRESTON, Sussex, with appurts., granted him for life. Reversion to EC after Roger's death.

Duke Humphrey's Annuity The £16.13.4. issues from HOOE. See ECR 61, Appendix C, pp.95,97.

Rent rolls 1443 61/RR/A/7  
until  
1461 61/RR/C/4.

Resumed 1461. See ECR 61, Appendix D, p.104. (With PRESTON, and the prior's pension from LEWES, to Sir John Fogge [Treasurer of Edward IV's household 1461-69] for his chantry at Ashford, Kent.)

VCH Sussex ix.224, in descent of the manor, gives the context of a private charter, and copy of LP, in ECR 39.

CPR 1446-1452, 513: Westminster, 1452 Feb. 10. William Warbleton k's esq, had petitioned the k. A salt rent, two parts of 32q., had issued yearly from Hooe manor to the lord of the manor of Warbleton, soised of the rent since time out of mind; until the manor of the a.p. of Hooe had been withdrawn by k.'s grant to Roger Fenys [ or Fiennes] and now to EC. William's action to recover the saltrent, begun against Roger who had meanwhile died, now transferred to the provost of EC.

The k. by exchange and in recompense of 15 years' lost rent, makes William constable of Odiham Castle, Hants, for life, and keeper of Odiham park. [CPR notes: vacated for the park - granted already to another.]

This LP explains our two documents:

ECR 39/102. Hooe, 1452 Mar. 22. Quitclaim by William Warbelton esq. to EC of all right in the saltrent, which William had sold to the k. [1452] Mar. 10, and which the k. had granted to EC by LP, 1452 Mar. 16.

ECR 39/108, art. [3.7]: copy of charter confirming grant in frank-almoyn to EC of the saltrent, by LP cited in 39/102. (CPR 1446-1452, 530.)

63/117. Court with View, 1366 Nov. 23;

Court with View, 1367 May 11.

Parchment, 1m; BADLY DAMAGED at foot. Long tear at right with empty stitch-holes from old repair, and two other tears leaving parts of text precariously attached. Lower part rubbed and faded on both sides.

Parchment docket of 2 ms stab-filed at top centre.

Each Court is in a different hand, the docket perhaps in the second.

No lord or steward named. The Court of 1366 runs on to top quarter of dorse.

\* \* The docket (dorse blank) lists names of suitors at Hooe Court; n.d. but the names are found in the roll.

Endorsed at free edge, in a rough contemporary hand:

Hoo n[ichi]l ad Coll[ectorem?] etc.



63/118.

Hundreds and Courts, 1457-58.

[Presumably the Hundred Court of Ninfield: VCH Sussex ix.239.]

Parchment, 2 rs sewn across top. BADLY DAMAGED lower left front/upper right dorse. Edge gone, tear to middle of foot, holed and weak. Text lost on both sides.

Probably in the same hand; possibly David Whitchurch's.

Rotulet 1Hundred with Court, 1457 Sept. 26.

North and South marginate the two ale-taster's presentment. Then 'Hoo' sidelines presentments by the chief tithingman and all suitors or jurors of his tithing.

The 'Hundred' resembles a View of Frankpledge, with no lord or steward named. Below its business is a heading, De Curia modo ut inferius etc.

The Court has few entries: fines for release this year from suit of Court; pleas of trespass and detinue of chattels.

Separate sum of proceeds from the Court, sum from the Hundred and Court, and steward's expenses.

Rotulet 1dCourt, 1458 Jan. 26

Only four entries after essoins. No issues or expenses.

Rotulet 2Hundred with Court, 1458 Apr. 19

Chief tithingman's presentments with his tithing, first; the North and South ale-tasters are marginated further down. After the Hundred, the same De Curia modo ... as r1. This year the Court has more business.

Halfway down, Breve de recto in margin by empty stitch-holes. Text copied on roll [translated]:

Westminster, 1458 Mar. 1. Writ of right close, to the bailiffs of the Provost and EC, of Hooe. John Kneller of the parish of Hooe has been deforced of an acre and a half of land with appurts. in Hoo, by Robert Kyng and Maud his wife. The formulary ends with a note that the writ is sewn to this rotulet.

A final concord in form of a chirograph is sewn to this rotulet [but also lost]; Robert and Maud King make fine for suit and concord [amount blank]. Next,

William Westbery, clerk, provost of EC by attorney, complainant against Robert Baker in plea of trespass: failure to do customary service of scouring and mending ditches, so that on a day [lost in tear] in March 1458, 15a. of complainant's lands were flooded. Damages of 20s. sought. Defendant comes and asks for a day to parley before next Court; granted by assent of parties.

The court ends with fealties, including John Kneller's; pleas of debt and detinue; and estray of two heifers in different custody.

Rotulet 2d

Courts, 1458 Apr. 25;  
1458 June 15;  
1458 July 27.

Text of uppermost Court lost at left; some lines faded on right of the damaged part.

The Robert Baker against whom Provost Westbury claims damages on Apr. 19, seeks to be taxed in Court, Apr. 25; amount to be settled at next Court. On June 15 he is taxed at 6d., relieved till next Court; on July 27 all pleas above are to be continued to next Court by custom of the Court etc, adjourned on account of autumn works to be done ...

I had hoped to call the Courts [if not the Hundred Courts] of the manor, 'of William Westbury Provost of EC' as lord, with David Whitchurch as steward. The audit roll [1458], 61/AR/B/1, has however no explicit reference to EC's Sussex estates in m6, Expense magistri prepositi et aliorum pro statu maneriorum.

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For separate documents of PRESTON manor, see p.166 below, headnote to 63/144-148.

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[63/119]

HOUGHTON by GRANTHAM, Lincs.

Lands and tens., parcel of COLSTERWORTH, Lincs., a.p. or manor. See above, p.41, for headnote to 63/67; and note there the rental renewed 1421 Sept. 18, for enrolments of HOUGHTON.

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63/119. 1446 Dec. 9. Copy of old rentals, written at Eton.

Parchment, 1 m. In the hand of David Whitchurch, clerk of accounts. Dorse has only, in modern pencil [M.R. James?]: '25 H. vi.'

Thirty-two summed rents (seven are of shillings left blank) with braces and rules at right, leading from De; with four, unsummed, added in a less careful hand by Whitchurch below the last.

At the extreme foot, several inches below the group of four, Whitchurch added [my translation]:

Rents of assize charged there 79s. in 1306 [34 Edw.]

[This is the same sum as in ECR 8/23, COLSTERWORTH comptus 1306 - date corrected from H.N. Blakiston's '1304-5'. It is 33-34 Edw. 1.]

And so there is a deficit on the tenants beyond the 48s. 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ d.

detailed above, and 13s. 4d. of demesne farm, of

30s. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

The list begins with John Wri<sup>3</sup>t, late alderman of Grantham, for lands sometime Matthew Swadon's afterwards Robert Flemyng's 16d.

There are interlined substituted names, usually marked off by + +, noting 'dead or 'now' and some small sums in pence, throughout

The third entry has the only customary service listed:

John Medborne [+ mortis Jacobi Goldfynch, interlined by Whitchurch] and John Sabcote [+ 4d., likewise interlined] 10s. and two autumn works.

Two-thirds of the way down:

From Richard Caster [blank space] for 16a. lands which were sometime lands which were sometime John Scharpe's, and which were afterwards alienated to the abbot of VAUDEY [4d. in margin]; and the king's licence in mortmain not obtained as it is said [blank] s.

From + + for another piece of land there which the same abbot lately occupied [by aforesaid title, interlined] [blank] s.

From John Wri<sup>3</sup>t alderman of Grantham, for several demesne lands in HOUGHTON lately half John Hayby's for 26s. 8d. 13s. 4d.

[This sum presumably matches the 13s. 4d. of demesne farm at the foot, noted above. It links with the one named tenant in HOUGHTON in the COLSTERWORTH rental, 63/67: there,

From John Hayby of Grantham, for land(s) in Houghton field, at two terms viz. Easter and Mich., 26s. 8d. (13s. 4d. each term, in margin.)]

The last main entry recites a conveyance:

From Robert Clerc [+ 3d., now John Sapcote, interlined] in right of Agnes his wife, dau. and heiress of Margaret Everard, for reversion of one messuage in Spitelgate strete ... as appears by a [charter] of John s. of Thomas Porter of Spytellgate by Grantham, made to Robert Briane, [1353 Apr. 1.]

The names below are of customary tenants in HOUGHTON and GRANTHAM Spitalgate; some substituted names and notes as above, with fealty done or distraint made (one).

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63/119. Note.

I could find nothing in the audit roll for 1445 (61/AR/A/1) under relevant heads about old HOUGHTON rental(s) being brought to EC, or Whitchurch's making a copy. In Expenses ... for the state of EC's manors, m5, Nicholas Wyllughby rode to GRANTHAM and COLSTERWORTH; David Whitchurch to BECKFORD [Colsterworth's mother-house, Wyllughby, as EC's receiver, is first in the list of Stipendia Ministrorum ..., ibid. m3; Whitchurch comes second.]

The first (full year's) rent roll for COLSTERWORTH, 1445: 61/RR/A/22, r3, has: (No arrears because first account rendered to EC), in Rents of Assize and Farms

... COLSTERWORTH, rental renewed 18 Sept. this year ...  
HOUGHTON, 33s.4d. [written afterwards by Whitchurch in space left] from several tens. this year; as appears from another (aliud) rental there renewed and examined before the lord of Houghton this year.

In Expenses of the lord and the steward

... 20<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. paid to the steward for holding the first Court, and with expenses of the lord at GRANTHAM and HOUGHTON, to confer with the burgesses there holding of the lord of Houghton, for their rents withheld to be settled and recognized.

The COLSTERWORTH rent roll, 1446: RR/A/29, r3d, has in Rents of Assize with farms

Colsterworth rental renewed 18 Sept. last year;  
30s.4d. from several tens. in HOUGHTON, this year as in last.  
[No mention of the other renewed rental.]

Several of the remaining years' rent rolls have details that ought to be noticed. (COLSTERWORTH is missing in 1452/54/58/60/61.)

1447 RR/A/38 r4:

Rents and farms: Colsterworth rental, 18 Sept. three years ago (and so successively up to ... eleven years ago in 1455).

In HOUGHTON, 30s.4d. rents as in last year's account. Below Total Receipts, without side-heading:

In deficit (defect') of rents from lands and tens. in HOUGHTON, both for this year and the last two years at 15s. yearly: 45s.

1448 RR/A/46 r3/1d-3/2d:

The 30s.4d. in Rents and Farms or Rents of Assize, and the 15s. in the new heading, Deficit of Rents, remain the same from now on; and will be cited again only when there is a change in detail.]

1449 RR/A/52 r3:

From HOUGHTON 30s.4d., as appears by the old rental examined this year. (Whitchurch struck through novum and wrote vetus above the line. Vetus is changed to antiquum in 1453.)

1450 RR/A/58 r3:

Deficit of Rents has pro hac emend' below the heading, written small in the same hand [not Whitchurch's this year] as in a sidenote higher up in Rents and Farms

'videas antiqua [sic] compot' pro hac emend'', opposite 'the site of the old former watermill, in ruins at [blank]'.

[The reminder to (examine and) correct the 15s. yearly deficit in Houghton must have been unheeded, or impossible to fulfil.]

1456 RR/A/94 r10:

Rents of Assize. The Colsterworth rental is misdated, by apparent misreading and miscopying from the 1455 roll, RR/A/89 r6, which has

[18 Sept.] anno xj<sup>o</sup> preced'. Instead of the expected 'anno xij<sup>mo</sup> preced'', the 1456 roll has 'anno xj<sup>o</sup> R H vj<sup>ti</sup>'; the mistake is not corrected in 1457 or 1459. The 1456 roll is unusually large, with several other counties besides Glos. and Lincs. filed. It was not written by Whitchurch; the hand is familiar but not yet attributed to another clerk of the bursary.

I conclude that Whitchurch copied the C14 rental after the 'aliud' new one was prepared in 1445, in case there was difficulty over the rents withheld by the lord's tenants in HOUGHTON. In 1449, because the deficit of rents could not be made good, the old rental - at hand in the new copy - was used instead as a compromise.



## HULLAVINGTON manor, Wilts.

[63/120.]

With CLATFORD manor, Wilts., an a.p. under one prior named from either manor. See VCH Wilts. iii.393-4; and headnote to CLATFORD at p.30 above.

Mother house: abbey of Saint-Victor-en-Caux, OSB: dépt. Seine-Maritime, dioc. Rouen.

HULLAVINGTON needs a headnote to correct a wrong date in the introduction to ECR 4, 'Hullavington and Clatford', typescript unpublished 1940. The first date for explicit mention of Hullavington is given as 1462, Edward IV's letters patent [estates not resumed]. But on the same page Mr Blakiston adduces 4/96, a Court of 1443, showing that Hullavington presumably came to EC with Clatford by 1441 E.

HULLAVINGTON is confirmed to EC in the grants taking date from the Consolidation Charter, 1446 Mar. 5: ECR 39/57,58; Rot. Parl. v.81a. The manor is there immediately followed by

'all lands, tens., rents and services in BARTON STACEY, Hants (dudum parcella) of the priory or manor of CLATFORD, Wilts., alien ...'

In early rent rolls, 'St. Victor's fee' in BARTON STACEY is with HULLAVINGTON unless the place-names are separate on wrapper-lists. See index to ECR 61.

For evidence that HULLAVINGTON implicitly came with CLATFORD:

(1) ECR 61/VR/A/1, the former 49/294: m2d, Wilts. estates listed as farmed by [1442]. HULLAVINGTON is fourth in the county, with 'From Nicholas Waker, farmer of the site of the manor or priory with demesne lands and rectorial tithes, leased to him by indenture for five years, £18.'

The indenture is cited in 61/RR/A/10, the first (1443) rent roll for Wilts., r4: at end of Farm of rectory and demesne lands: leased to Waker from Mich. 1442 for five years.

VR/A/1 adds: 'From [him as] collector of rents and estreats of Courts, yearly as far as will appear by account, £16.17.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ .'

(2) ECR 4/96 (DAMAGED). Court, 1443 Apr. 30, [of first recognition] of mag. William Wainflete, provost of EC.

Described, following an incorrect early endorsement, as 'with extent and rental by Nicholas Waker the farmer'. Text is plainly of a Court of first recognition by tenants of a new lord, listed with their tenures and doing fealty or distrained until they do.

(3) ECR 4/185 is the expected sequel to that Court: Rental renewed, 1443 May 15, taken by the tenants there.

(4) ECR 61/RR/A/10 (cf. above). In r4, Rents of Assize cite the new rental, (3) above.

Further notes on the earliest rent rolls follow the description of 63/120.

63/120.

Courts, 1432 Apr. 30, Oct. 7;  
1433 Apr. 23.

Parchment, 1 m. Courts of 1432 on front; 1433 on dorse.

The skin is remarkably clean, as if it had long been wrapped some other document. A single stab-hole with tear at top centre points to removal at some time from a file.

ECR 4/94, Courts 1419-31, wanting 1426 and ?1428, is a file of 7 rs with single stab-hole at top centre; several rs damaged by old damp; wholly irregular chronological order.

The size of the rotulets and the matching stab-holes make it almost certain that 63/120 was torn off the file; not necessarily as former [r8], adding two more years to the Courts filed. Because of the old damage and the irregular order, it is not practicable to repair and restring 63/120 to 4/94. A note in ECR 4 opposite /94 draws attention to the probable stray.

Endnote ...



Endnote.

There was not room in ECR 61 to go into detail on individual rotulets in early rent rolls. HULLAVINGTON in 1443 and 1444 deserves mention here: ephemeral and scarce indentures of farmers' receipts are sewn to the rotulets, and show the form in use. Incidental mention of an otherwise unknown seal of EC, and dates for field-names to complement EPNS Wilts. are also noteworthy. (Such an exercise could be done for almost every estate in ECR 61; this example must serve to stimulate further research.)

Rent roll 1443: 61/RR/A/10. CLATFORD, r2; HULLAVINGTON, r4; each named on wrapper-list.

Two indentures are sewn over Cash delivery on r4.

(a) Eton, 1443 June 12. Mag. William Waynflete, provost, and EC, to Waker. £8.6.8. in part payment of Hullavington rents of LD term last; also 8s.4d. of a fixed fine belonging to the late sheriff of Wilts. Both sums paid to the bursars. Note of apposition [to Waker's indenture] of EC's seal ad causas.

The fixed fine is in a heading below Rents of Assize: Rents lately belonging to the king, where 16s.8d. paid yearly to the sheriff in equal portions at Hockday and Mich. now belongs to EC by k.'s grant.

The seal ad causas has not been identified. The audit roll of 1447, 61/AR/A/2 m4, in Purchases necessary for the bursary (scaccario), has as second of three items, a seal ad causas bought for 23s.4d.

From the start of the collegiate administration such a seal, for affixing to documents less important than those needing to be authenticated by the Common Seal, must have been needed. I have to infer that the first seals bought were named in the lost audit roll of 1444 or in a possible roll for 1443. Yet it seems odd, and lax, that a seal ad causas named in use in 1443 had to be replaced in 1446/7.

There was a College signet - purchase not traced in extant audit rolls, inferred bought in a year of a lost roll - used appended to letters of attorney in 1452 and 1456: ECR 13/797,823. It is called 'sigillum nostrum' [of EC] in both documents and was miscalled the College seal by J.P. Gilson.

The signet is 15 mm. diam.: a demi-angel supports the shield of arms of EC. Unfortunately a word, or part word, on either side of the shield cannot be read; but there is certainly nothing like 'sigillum/signettum ad causas' or a short title of EC. I have not searched systematically for earlier examples, but noted that in 61/RR/A/69 (1452), r2, David Whitchurch writing the Eton rent roll calls himself steward of the lordship of Eton, appointed by [untraced] signet letter of the provost, 1451 Oct. 6; and so in his remaining years of work up to 1461: RR/C/1, r1/1-2.

The second indenture:

(b) 1443 Nov. 6. From Waker by hands of bursars [one supplied from text of roll beneath the docket]. The other 8s.4d. of the fine lately the sheriff's is included in receipts from farm, two leets, and rents.

Against Superplus, a memorandum that 34s. is due from Robert Inkpene by Barton Stacey and Wherwell (Hants), for a rent out of his manor, called Seyntvictors rent.

Rent roll 1444: 61/RR/A/18. CLATFORD, m2; HULLAVINGTON, ms2-3.

HULLAVINGTON Rents of Assize now include 68s. from Robert Inkpene for the quitrent out of his manor, in BARTON STACEY, called Seint Victores rent; for the two years past at 34s. yearly.

There are three indentures of receipt sewn to left edge of m3: 1444 Nov. 8; 1445 Feb. 15; [1445 May 8, dated from roll beneath]. The third, between the bursars for 1444 and Waker, includes 'Item for ten. of Cowolde, 8s.4d.' and a rough sum; both were added later. The roll refers to an incomplete indenture paid to the previous year's bursars in Whitsun week 1445.

'Cowolde' is explained from RR/A/10, r4, in Rents lately belonging to the king. After the sheriff's fixed fine, and another 20s. fixed fine from the abbot of Malmesbury late paid to the k. from tenants and ground at STARTLEY (Sterkeley in MS) at Hockday and Mich., likewise granted by Henry VI to EC,

[63/120, endnote contd/]

13s.4d. from the tenants of the same vill, and residents, of an aid lately paid to the sheriff of Wilts. at (Cowold Marsh: Cowoldmersch in the 1444 rent roll, loc. cit.) belonging to EC by like grant of the k. for the period of account.

EPNS xvi, Wiltshire (Cambridge, 1939), Hundred of STARTLEY field-names in HULLAVINGTON (main entry at 71), 464-5.

At 464, CHOWELL MEAD: CHOLWELL 1753, cited as 'Eton', i.e. 'docs. preserved at EC' then uncatalogued.

The 1753 reference appears to be to a Terrier, now ECR 4/206, at p.20. I can now tentatively add an earlier form and date and confirm and date the ? present form.

CHOULDWELL 1578 Terrier, now ECR 4/187, r7, in 'Behind the heyes'; CHOWELL MEAD 1841 TA: Tithe Award, not catalogued in ECR 4; plot no.511b, SE of Hullavington village, in tracing of plan annexed to Award, in the copy at EC of the altered Apportionment for HULLAVINGTON.

The identity of COWOLDE/CHOULDWELL cannot be proven from ECR, but EPNS has no other field-name in Hullavington which matches.

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[63/121.]

LESSINGHAM manor, Norfolk

A.m. Bec

See Morgan, English Lands, p.148.Acquired 1441 E. Rot. Parl. v.48a.

Farm and rent of £16, from Edmund Clere esq for custody; holding of the k. from Mich. 1437 for 20 years. Reversion to EC.

Duke Humphrey's Annuity ECR 61 Appendix C, p.95: the £16 issues.

Rent Rolls 1443, 61/RR/A/4,  
until  
1461, /RR/C/3.

Resumed 1461 ECR 61 Appendix D p.103. (To KCC from 1461 Mar. 4: CPR 1461-1467, 74 (1462 Feb. 22); VCH Cambs.iii.380b and n.93.)

63/121.

Compoti of William Heylot, 1347-59; wanting 1349.  
(He is Bailiff 1351-54; serjeant 1355-59.)

Parchment, 8 rs, and paper docket [as fo.4] on parchment string-tie through one pair of holes at head. Several sides are rough copies, corrected or cancelled by vertical downstrokes.

A stiff paper guard is pasted to the foot of r9, probably at the British Museum under care of J.P. Gilson early C20. The guard is endorsed by M.R. James, in ink, 'LESSINGHAM Ed III'. The roll was in a box of various manorial rolls when the contents of ECR 63 were put together from various bundles and boxes. This roll had a slip round it, with 'Compoti' in Gilson's hand.

Chronological order from top down. All accounts are given here as Mich. from previous Mich.

Rotulet 1

Compotus 1347

Arrears £12. [19.3 $\frac{1}{2}$ . interlined], with £8 ancient dues recognised to the abbot (of Bec) and paid for recognition. [This apport disappears after 1348.] See note below.

Farm of the manor, £33.6.8.

Church pension, 13s.4d. [Select Docs., p.114: 1 mark, this pension, is last entry in Custumal.]

Receipts from [two dated] Courts, 100s.

Below corrected total receipts, intrinsic payments with allowances marginated back to 1341. [These recur to 1350, there all cancelled.]

Final delivery to the lord, £40 by two tallies.

Note ...

63/121, r1 note.

\* \* TPN 83b, Norwich dioc. Sp', deanery of WAXHAM:

LESSINGHAM church £6.13.4.

103a, 112b, Norwich Temp': property of the abbot of BEC with the prior of OGBOURNE: in LESSINGHAM, lands, rents, mill(s) and services: £16.13.9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>. ~~This sum is also in Appendix 1, below, p. —.~~

- Rotulet 1d After Mich. 1347: notes of income and outgoings. Appears fair copy, only top part used; cancelled by downstroke.
- Rotulet 2 Compotus 1348  
Arranged as r1. Delivery, £40 by two tallies against Simon de Berkyng. Debet clear, 115s.2d.  
[For Simon of Barking, goldsmith of London, see English Lands, pp.113,117.]
- Rotulet 2d blank
- Rotulet 3 Compotus 1350  
[If lost account for 1349 is rediscovered, the cue will be Debet/1350 Arrears, £13.19.7.]  
Much interlined, corrected and cancelled. Verte at foot struck out, but:
- Rotulet 3d Lessingham Anno [lost in crumpled stain]  
Various income and outgoings, cancelled.
- Folio 4 Exitus Grangie 1351  
All cancelled by downstroke.
- Folio 4d Expenses of the Manor, 1350 Mich. to 1351 Feb. 2. All similarly cancelled. In same hand.
- Rotulet 5 Compotus 1351  
Much corrected and cancelled. Turnover cue to
- Rotulet 5d Exitus grangie [?: no heading]. If 1352, remainders from fo.4 do not match. Writing at top crowded, but no corrections or cancels.
- Rotulet 6 Compotus 1351 [Fair copy of r5]
- Rotulet 6d [No heading], fair duplicate copy of r5d
- Rotulet 7 Compoti 1352 and 1353 [Fair copy]
- Rotulet 7d [Exitus grangie] 1352  
No heading, but date interlined, and from 1351 remainder. [Fair copy, 6 lines]
- Rotulet 8 Compotus 1354  
Rough copy; correction in text and marginated cancels. Faded at right; additional empty stab-holes there.
- Rotulet 8d blank
- Rotulet 9 Compoti 1355/56/57  
Fair copies, on the longest rotulet.
- Rotulet 9d Compotus 1358; View of account 1359  
The first is summary, but the second is set out like previous years' compoti.
- Endorsed [C14 at Ogbourne?] Lessingham accounts of William Heyllot, various years, with view of account [1359]; [C15, EC?] Lessingham.

For the few other records of LESSINGHAM left at EC see ECR 49:

- /242,243: Compoti 1291/1298;  
/244: Lease 1332 (7 years);  
/245,246: Courts 1334/1359.

[63/122.] MILBORNE STILEHAM manor, Dorset A.m. BEC/  
OGBOURNE

MILBORNE BEC in ECR. Now in Milborne St. Andrew, formerly in Bere Regis. Member of POVINGTON manor, Dorset: see headnote to 63/139-143, below, p.162; and English Lands, p.141. VCH Dorset ii.118-19, [priory or] grange of POVINGTON, includes Milborne. Summary of acquisition etc, given here as MILBORNE BEC is the first estate in the POVINGTON group in ECR 63.

Acquired 1451 June 22: LP. ECR 2/132, copied in 39/108. CPR 1446-1452, 417: dated there 1451 Mar. 20.)

Rent rolls in early series (to 1461), only for  
1454 (61/RR/A/87), 1457 (RR/B/5), 1459 (RR/B/16).

Resumed 1461 ECR 61 Appendix D p.109.

Regrant 1467 LP: 39/129, CPR 1467-1477, 62-3. INEFFECTIVE because of grant away to William Beaufitz, 1461: CPR 1461-1467, 108,150-51; Dalton, Manuscripts of St. George's Chapel, p.xixb.

Return to rent rolls 1480 61/RR/C/17. With POVINGTON. No arrears; first account.

Resumed finally 1547 LP: 39/162. (Exchange with Edward VI). See also notes to 63/92, above, pp.88,89. MILBORNE BEC manor is named in the LP; the TURNWORTH pension - see below - also in 63/92 fo.5. TURNWORTH was another member of POVINGTON: lands, but not the manor.

63/122. [1505/06]. Affirmations by tenants: TURNWORTH pension.

[Cf. English Lands, p.142: pension of 20s. yearly from TURNWORTH payable yearly at Milborne Bec by the abbot of FORD, Dorset; Select Docs., p.91, in the MILBORNE custumal: the abbot of Ford owes 20s. from Turnworth at the feast of All Saints (Nov. 1); TPN, 178b (and 184b: £10 pension or portion perhaps multiplied from the tenth, in error.)]

Paper, 1 fo. Badly damaged at top, torn down middle of first four inches; faded, tattered and creased down both sides. Originally folded flat into narrow band. Text in three hands.

Now rerolled from foot upwards to protect from further damage until the folio can be repaired. Endorsements are therefore buried at present:

[C15] pro pensione de Turn<sup>n</sup>worth [C18] Milbourn.

English. below Latin heading (here translated). In the damaged top six lines of English, I have not tried to follow original spelling; the paper is so faded and torn that not all remaining words can be confidently read. I claim no certainty in my summary, of the parts which had to be read under ultraviolet light.

Manor of Milborne Bec, in the tenure of Edith Cokar wife of John Cokar.<sup>1</sup>

William Chypman aged 73 or 76 years, dwelling in Turnworth, examined:

The title of a pension paid yearly of the manor of Turnworth now ... [now, faded; word lost at right, tentatively 'pertains'] to the colleges of Windsor<sup>2</sup> and Eton; says that his father called John Chypman in Turnworth manor, being bailiff and farmer to the above,<sup>3</sup> used to pay the said pension of 20s. to the manor of Milborne Bec.

The said John, examined, said that he never knew but that the pension belongs to the manor.<sup>4</sup>

The others who affirm the same: John Melmowthe aged 50, in the manor of Turnworth; John Northeover aged 50, in [Turnworth] parish; Richard Chepman aged 55, in the manor of Turnworth.

The four men say that all others in Turnworth who know the matter will affirm the same.

(In the second ...



(In the second hand)

Milborne Bec; Edyth Coker, farmer by indenture.

She pays yearly £5.6.8. She has a house; 3a. ... [lost]; certain closes of meadow a great ground of arable and sheep pasture, by estimation [?: M<sup>1</sup> acr' in MS]; a pension in Turnworth of 20s. a year; and a meadow called Holme meadow.

She must pay at Eton or at St. James's every half year.

(In the third hand)

3 barns ... 2 closes containing by estimation 10a., and a meadow 5a. [Blots obscure both acreages.]

[The apparent 1000a., which cannot be true, is unexplained; rent rolls passim, in Farm of demesne lands, leave blank the acres of meadow juxta Holm(e) meadow.]

Notes.

1 Edith Cokar or Coker, farmer, dates the document. Rentale 1505, 61/AR/F/14; 1506, 62/AB/1 p.23.

Rent rolls 1508, 61/RR/E/19, r6: John Coker, farmer; and 1502, RR/E/17, r5d: John Coker, farmer, have in identical phrase

'manor of Milborne Bec late parcel of Ogbourne priory, lately demised to Robert Morton late husband of Edith Morton, now wife of the said John Coker, by indenture enrolled in EC Register to hold from [1478] for 81 years, yearly rent 106s.8d. payable at EC or at St. James's in Westminster fields.'

The ~~1479~~ lease, 60/LB/1 fo.114r: 1479 Sept. 26; 81 years from Mich. last; to Richard Morton gent. of Milborne St. Andrew; Agnes his mother; Edith his wife; and assigns of Richard.

The manor in this lease and in the two others in 60/LB/1 (fo.68<sup>r</sup>, 1454; fo.157 big v, 1515; both to generations of the Morton family) is described as in the parishes of BERE REGIS, TURNWORTH and HOLME MEADOW. The parish of Milborne Stileham (in Milborne St. Andrew since 1933) was evidently not detached from adjacent Bere Regis at the dates of the leases. Turnworth (1 virgate there) is N. of Milborne. 'Holme Meadow', untraceable as a parish, must have been a mistake copied from the rent rolls: see just after end of text above.

As a field-name in Milborne Stileham, Home Field survives (1845 Tithe Award). See EPNS lii, Dorset i (Cambridge, 1977), 283.

2 The college of Windsor, St. George's Chapel, may have been vaguely remembered: Edward IV's ineffectual grant in 1474 (CPR 1467-77, 471), after the grant to William Beaufitz cited in the headnote.

3 John Chypman: untraced in ECR. EC did not have the manor of Turnworth, only the virgate of land (note 1: rent rolls, passim). The 20s. pension from Ford&abbey does not appear in our rent rolls as income from Milborne Bec; I find no mention of John Chypman or any other bailiff of Turnworth manor bringing the sum yearly to the farmer of Milborne Bec.

4 'John Chypman, examined, said ...' If John's son, in his seventies, was a deponent, the phrase must have been mechanically copied and excited no comment in 1505-6. Less likely, an earlier affirmation was produced. John may have been bailiff and farmer of Turnworth before EC held Milborne Bec; he must surely have been dead long before this roll was compiled. But my tentative reading of the faded passage may be at fault.

## MONK SHERBORNE, Hampshire

A.p. conventual, of Saint-Vigor, Cerisy-la-Forêt (Manche; dioc. Bayeux; OSB).

\* \* The estate requires a headnote longer than usual. It is singled out by Lyte, History, p.72 and n.5, because of an Act in Parliament, 1475: Rot.Parl. vi.143-4, reprinted in L.L. Shadwell, Enactments in Parliament ... iv.293-8 (Oxford Historical Society 61, 1912).

EC's brief tenure must have been granted by oversight. The estate was held by The Queen's College, Oxford, as custodians of the hospital of God's House or St Julian's, Southampton, grantees in 1293. See below, under 'Resumed'.

Mr John Kaye, keeper of the archives of The Queen's College, wrote just as the drafts of Monk Sherborne were to be fair copied, about litigation between the two colleges in 1493: long after EC's interest had determined. Nothing was found in EC's audit rolls 1486-96 (61/AR/F/1-6) in Custus forinseci or Custus pro sectis ... that bore on the action, trespass by EC in Sherborne's 'manor of Whitchurch'.

My debt to Mr Kaye for information and for photocopies from calendars of Queen's College archives is implicit throughout this section.

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First grant 1446 Sept. 2. LP: 39/67. Not in CPR or Rot.Parl. INEFFECTIVE. There is nothing in the Rentale of extant audit rolls before 1453.

Acquired 1453 Mar. 6. Copy in 39/108 [art.3/1: first of twelve endowments, 1446-53, confirmed in extract from Charter Roll. The LP of 1446 are recited. There is no provision that EC should provide a priest to celebrate daily in the priory, for the souls of Henry de Port the founder and of other benefactors: cf. EC's lease in 1455 and the petition in Parliament, 1475; below.]

The audit roll of 1453, 61/AR/A/6, has entries which also bear upon that petition. In Rentale, Sherborne with members comes last, m4.

Custus Forinseci, m10:

The late prior of Sherborne's horses at Jourdelay's [posting-house in Eton used by EC], 8d.

Given to three monks of Sherborne in alms, by order of the Provost, 20s.

\* \* Walter Thedom and two servants of David Whitchurch [EC's clerk of accounts], sent with two carts to Sherborne for various utensils there to be brought to EC, in September, 5s.10d.

Expense ... pro statu maneriorum, m10:

Paid to the late prior of Sherborne, by gift and advice of the Provost, £10.

John Heynes valet of the Crown, and David Whitchurch, sent to various places to take a view of Sherborne priory and members, and returning; for 20 days, 19s.8d.

David Whitchurch riding on college business to Sherborne and other places; 12 days, 7s.

Custus pro sectis ... , ms 10-11, include payments to William Okeden [Provost's clerk] for various tasks at the Reading Parliament - confirmations of priories, demesne lands [etc.], confirmed by the same parliament; and to the clerk of parliament's clerk for a copy of the act [at Reading] pertaining to EC.

[Rot.Parl. v.231 ff.: no petition for EC, or enactment of the confirmations in 39/108 above.]

An engrossment in Lease Book Register 1445-1529, 60/LB/1 fo.62<sup>r</sup>, is relevant:

1453 May 12. In the Provost's house at EC: resignation of Benedict Patrick sometime prior of Sherborne. He confirmed on oath that his cession of the priorate and all his rights etc, delivered into the Provost's hands, was voluntary. John Blacman, fellow of EC and the resident notary public, adds signature and paraph.

Rent rolls ...

Rent rolls ONLY 1454, 61/RR/A/84 rs 1-1d-2; and  
1461, /RR/C/5 r8/1-2.

\* \* An EC lease during this period is relevant: 60/LB/1 fos. 70<sup>V</sup>-71<sup>F</sup>.  
 1455 Aug. 12. By indenture, to William Okeden. Site of Sherborne  
 priory with buildings and lands (detailed, with certain tithes).  
 Advowsons, rents of assize (and other exceptions detailed) reserved  
 to EC.

For 30 years from present date. Rent, 12 marks yearly at usual term-  
 days.

Lessee to provide a suitable chaplain to officiate within the priory  
 for souls of [Henry de Port] the founder, and benefactors.

Lessee to provide customary manorial services.

Note of alternate sealing of [lost original] indentures.

Okeden died intestate in 1459. Register 1457-1533 (60/REG/1), p.103:  
 1459 Sept. 1/20, issue and grant of admon.

I find no fresh lease before the Resumption. But the only other  
 engrossed lease, 1494 - note the date - below, includes the same  
 clause for a chaplain to officiate for souls of Henry de Port and  
 others.

Resumed 1461 [Nov.] See ECR 61 Appendix D, p.106.

(Grant away 1462 Feb. 16, LP. To mag. John Pereson, warden, and the  
 hospital of St Julian or God's House, Southampton. CPR 1461-67, 116.  
 Cf. ECR 60/LP/6/B: 1462 Aug. 21, indenture of evidences of priory's  
 estates to be delivered to mag. Pereson as Provost of Queen's Coll:  
 Oxford, custodians of St Julian's hospital.

(1463 Oct. 8, LP. Inspeximus and confirmation to Provost Pereson and  
 scholars of Queen's Hall, Oxford. Cites LP 1378 Nov. 15 and charter  
 of Edw. I, 1293 Nov. 18: grant in frankalmoin of custody of St Juli-  
 an's. CPR 1461-1467, 308.)

Regrant 1473 Mar. 23, LP. ECR 60/LP/6/A (with several other estates  
 resumed in 1461). CPR 1467-1477, 394.

INEFFECTIVE. Monk Sherborne does not reappear in rent rolls.

Act in Parliament 1475 [Mar. 14]; petition no.33, 1475 [Jan. 23].

Complaints against EC at time of grant in 31 Henry VI [1453: cf.  
 39/108 above]: neglect of papal confirmations of services and ob-  
 servances for Henry de Port's soul to be held daily in perpetuity;  
 expulsion of prior Benet and all the monks, ministers and servants;  
 removal of goods and evidences; tramplings of horses and carts in the  
 churchyard; withdrawal of divine service.

To restore Henry de Port's disposition and last will, whoever has or  
 shall have the priory and its manors, taking profit otherwise than to  
 the prior, shall ordain one honest priest within the priory to read,  
 sing and reside from 1475 June 24 and so on daily, with successors in  
 perpetuity.

The said Provost's and College's LPs or authority of Parliament in  
 1453, or any Act of Resumption affecting [EC] notwithstanding.

(Thus although EC are carefully not named as in tenure or custody  
 of the priory in 1475, they are to provide the mass-priest.)

[I have used Shadwell's text cited at top of p.138 as more portable  
 than Rot. Parl.: pp.294 lines 22-26,28-32,34-36 to 295 line 12; 295  
 lines 19-21,31 to foot; 297 line 33.]

Next in sequence of evidences at Eton comes the late lease, 60/LB/1  
 fo.130v.

1494 Sept. 2. Engrossment of lease by indenture.

Mag. Henry Bost, Provost, and EC: to sir Robert Kheyney kt. [Initial  
 K- is clear and not over erasure or partly erased.]

The priory of West Sherborne monachorum, Hants with all manors, lands  
 ... and all tithes, pensions and portions belonging to the priory.  
 Except: advowsons; and demesne lands granted to the rector to maintain  
 a chaplain there to celebrate divine service [for souls as above].  
 From Mich. next, for two years. Rent to EC, £21 in equal portions at  
 Mich. and Lady Day.

[Entry contd ...]



The 1494 lease, contd/

EC make sir Robert their lawful attorney to enter and obtain full and peaceable seisin in their name.  
Note of apposition of EC's common seal to [lost original] indenture.

This lease may never have been effective; it was perhaps created as an incident to protect EC's presumed title during the litigation with Queen's College. The initial step in that appears to be Queen's Coll: 5 B 18, 1491 Oct. 26: writ of novel disseisin. Henry Bost, provost of EC, and the college, to be restored to the manor of Whitchurch near Sherborne, from which Thomas [Langton], Bp of Salisbury, warden, and God's House Southampton had unjustly etc disseised them. Return for octave of Hilary.

Queen's 5 B 19-27 [1492? to 1494?, the last in C16 transcript] show arguments for good title on both sides, but there was no conclusive result. Mr Kaye wrote that the position of his College between 1462 and 1494 is obscure. Queen's College have no clear evidence of any income received from Sherborne's secular estates, or of presentations to livings; but some leases appear to have been made.

There is nothing in ECR to explain the failure by Queen's College to secure estates or revenues. There is also only the negative evidence, the failure of Sherborne and members to reappear in EC's rent rolls after Edward IV's regrant in 1473, to show that the estate had been lost for good. Why EC should have been ordered by authority of Parliament in 1475 to provide a perpetual mass-priest is puzzling; whoever laid the petition may have been unaware of events since the actual grant in 1453 and the incidents borne out by the audit roll. If one looks ahead to 63/125/3, the prior's petition to the king for relief because of poverty and dilapidation, c.1362/3, EC may have found that by 1453 the priory<sup>was</sup> so wasted that it seemed best to pension off the prior and (the?) three remaining monks, and to assume useable goods as well as archives.

(In 1461, Benedict Patrick, monk, is paid £6.13.4. for celebrating divine office in the priory church: 61/RR/C/5 r8/1, in Vadia et stipendia. I did not find him in effect reinstated in the 1454 roll.)

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MONK SHERBORNE priory: members

Collated from the two rent rolls, 1454 and 1461 (61/RR/A/84 rs 1-1d-2; /RR/C/5 r 8/1-2); the indenture of 1462, evidences to be handed over to the Provost of Queen's College; and rentals and extents, 63/126-129, 1274 to late C14, below.

\* \* In the rent rolls, there are several "not received" leaders to members listed. It is unsafe to assume that EC was receiving anything like all the enrolled income from rents, tithes, courts, etc. For reader reference the names are in alphabetical order within their county; they are much mixed in the rolls.

Rents of Assize

BERKSHIRE. Aldermaston; Cholsey (manor of Lollington); (Cold) Henley manor (in West Shefford); Newbury (tens. and shops by the bridge in the middle of the town); Sotwell (manor of Sotwell St John); Ufton (tens. in Ufton Robert manor); Wallingford (tens. in St Lucian's parish).

HAMPSHIRE. Abbotstone mill near Alresford; Alresford; Bramley; Chineham (manor in Monk Sherborne); Church Oakley; Cliddesden; Heckfield; Ludshott manor (in Bramshott); Malshanger (as Yerdly 1294, Erdlie c.1300; manor in Church Oakley); Mapledurwell; Pamber; Portsea island; Rotherwick; Sherborne St John; Steventon; Stratfield Saye and Turgis; Upton Grey; Winchester city (tens. in High Street); Wootton St Lawrence (manor in Monk Sherborne).

Demesne Farms

BERKSHIRE. Henley manor in West Shefford.

HAMPSHIRE. Basing (see also SELBORNE priory pension, below); Monk Sherborne; Upton Grey; 'manor (called) Whitchurch'.

\* \* 'Whitchurch'. Not in VCH, or the rentals 63/126-129. Mr Kaye wrote



Demesne Farms, Hants; note contd/

that the lands in Sherborne and Pamber were always stated to constitute a manor of that name, for which Queen's College held courts. EC's rent rolls of 1454 and 1461, and the Sherborne pannage accounts (1436/38-40; 63/131-134) contribute.

1454 Thomas Clapscho is bailiff and rent-collector of Sherborne with members. In Demesne farms, he immediately follows the farmer of the site of the priory (Michael Wygge, £6.13.4 this year): ... and 105s. from the farm of the manor called Whitchurch, with lands, meadows, pastures and pannage belonging to the same, so demised to Thomas Clapscho for his lifetime by the late prior there ...

In Payment of debt by warrant, ... to William Webbe vicar of Sherborne Whitchurch, compensation for small tithes from Woodgarston, farmed with corn tithes; by the lord's warrant sealed 1454 June 10, 6s. 8d.

1461 Thomas Clapshoo is still bailiff and rent-collector. He now farms the priory site, for £6; next in Demesne farms comes the manor of Whitchurch, now leased to Thomas Clapschoo aforesaid for life, by the late prior, for 105s. this year ...

In the pannage accounts of B.M. of Sherborne, Thomas Clapcho [and variant spellings], firmarius de albo monasterio, is at or near the head of the lists in 1436/38/39. In 1440 he is simply named.

There seems no need to look beyond the priory church as 'the white monastery'. VCH Hants iv.236,237 (in Monk Sherborne): drawings of church and tower, used after 1564 as the church for the parishioners of Pamber (ibid. 435).

[The demesne farm of the priory in the 1461 rent roll gives details with field-names of that estate, and appears to cite a (lost) custumal of tenants' works and services.]

Tithes, or Farm of corn tithes

BERKSHIRE. Aldermaston; Sotwell St John.

HAMPSHIRE. Basing (see also SELBORNE priory pension); Bramley; Chineham; Litchfield; Ludshott; Passfield; Upton Grey; West Sherborne; Woodgarston (the two last were manors in Monk Sherborne).

Church pensions

BERKSHIRE. Padworth by Aldermaston; Shaw by Newbury; Sulhampstead Bannister.

HAMPSHIRE. Church Oakley; Mapledurwell; Newnham; Sherborne St John.

WILTSHIRE. Bishop's or West Lavington. See note.

\*\* TPN 182a,194a: recast in 63/84 m1, ~~translated in APPENDIX 1.~~ Sarum Sp', Adnry Wiltshire, deanery of Malmesbury: prior of Monk Sherborne's portion in prebends of Potterne and Lavington, 40s. The rent rolls give the source of the pension or portion. In 1454, Church pensions begins:

40s. of ancient pension sometime exacted from the Bp of Salisbury for ~~part~~ portion of tithes in Bishop's Lavington, payable at the feast of St. Giles [1 Sept.] yearly: not received because it cannot be levied until recovered by plea or agreement (tractat') ...

In 1461 the pension was again not received [and probably not in the lost years intervening]. The wording differs only in 'pension or portion of tithes'.

It was hard to reconcile the 40s., presumably taken from a copy of TPN, with 10s. in 63/127 (c.1300: roll of rents and pensions, m4).

Queen's College 5 B 14 (1273) and 15 (1239 in C17 transcript) appear to give the answer. The earlier document, a composition sealed by the Bp of Salisbury, shows that the priory of Deux Gemelles [or Jumeaux], dioc. Bayeux, gave up their right to tithes in Lavington in return for annual payments from successive prebendaries of Lavington, of 10s. at the feast of St Giles there.

In the later charter, Certzay abbey and Deux Gemelles priory appoint monks of Sherborne priory their attorneys to take the 10s. agreed in

Bishop's Lavington church pension, note contd/

the previous composition, with power to commute or exchange the pension for money owed to the Bp of Salisbury. If out of charity the Bp grants the 10s. to Sherborne priory, the abbot and prior above will give up their right to it; provided that Sherborne priory pays it annually to Deux Gemelles.

(The Sherborne rental of 1294, 63/126, does not include Lavington among church pensions. I could find nothing to suggest that it was due, or paid over as above, or for some reason not received.)

Annuities payable from the priory

To SELBORNE priory, £4.

TPN, 212a, has £4 as the tenth from the church of Basing and Basingstoke with the chapel. This is extended in Monasticon vi.1014, No.2, John de Port's charter:

Basing and Basingstoke and the chapel of St Michael, with lands of the old castle of Basing; with 1a. land, and tithes of demesne lands with all titheables. In EC rent rolls:

1454, farm of tithes: ... Basing, farmed by Richard Norwell, besides the 6 marks paid to the prior of Selborne ...

1461, wages and stipends with augmentations: ... £4 pension to the prior of Selborne this year, paid by John Walop, insofar as allowed in last year's account. (J.W. farms Basing in another titulus, farm of demesne lands.)

Queen's College 5 B 12 (1254 in C17 transcript): title, Composition between the priories of 'Sheleburne alias Shyrburn', looks as if the transcriber or original clerk conflated the two place-names. The text of the composition may confirm the form of entry in EC rent rolls,

To WINCHESTER St Swithun's priory, the cathedral church, 5s.

1454 and 1461 in rents resolute: for the grove called (Schothanger).

To the lord of the manor of ALDERMASTON, 18s.

Again in rents resolute: 1454 has 17s. not in the account because reckoned that he has lands from which the rent exacted should come; in 1461, cash paid to Thomas Dalamare lord of Aldermaston, of rent due to him as in preceding [years], this year 18s.

To the sheriff of Hampshire - in 1461 only, in reparationes facte cum sartsilver:

... paid to John Phylpotts esq, late sheriff of [the county of] Southampton; for the rent due to the king called sartesilver, by acquittance of the sheriff remaining among memoranda of [EC; long lost]: 17s. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

OED: 'a payment made by tenants for the right of taking brushwood from land': citing an example from Nottinghamshire, 1408.

I could not identify any certain synonym in Neilson, Customary Rents, consulted for references to assart.

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63/123.

'CARTULARY 1': calendar.

~~-(For transcripts, see APPENDIX 2, pp. .)~~

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Copied, C13 second half. The originals are all undated.

[Art.1] PADWORTH and St Lucian's WALLINGFORD churches, with SOTWELL chapel.

Grant in frankalmoin by Robert son of Fulcred of Padworth, to St Mary of [Monk] Sherborne and the monks there; for souls of donor and his

63/123 art.1 contd/

ancestors, of the church of St John at Padworth [Berks.].

To be possessed by canon law, with its appurtenances: the church of St Lucian, Wallingford [Berks.], and the chapel of Sotwell [Berks.]; and all temporalities in tithes and lands.

Robert, son of John de Port, at whose (quorum) request the donor has conferred these properties of the lord of Sherborne, shall hold the churches and chapel for life; rendering yearly to the monks the service of cartage, of one cart, at the feast of St John Baptist [June 24].

After Robert de Port's death, the churches with all their appendages are to pass to the uses of the monks.

Note of sealing by donor and other worthy men.

Witnesses: John de Port; William son of Adam [de Port?]; Henry de Herriard; William Achart; William Peccam, and his brother Robert; dean Wigod; master Osmund; William son of Ansgod; William, dean of Sherborne; Henry de Grantcourt; Ralph Bastehose; Robert, the reeve of Hook; James; Alexander de Monfiquet.

[ Dated from

[Art.2] Confirmation of [1]

Grant in frankalmoin by Alard son of William, to Sherborne church and monks:

Of the church of St John, Padworth, with all appurtenances; which Robert son of Fulcred gave to the said church and monks.

Note of sealing by donor.

Witnesses: Adam de Port; Roger de Scures; Nicholas son of William; Herbert, dean of Sherborne; Robert de Port; mag. John de Hocfod; Hugh de Port; Ralph Bastohuse; James; William Francigena; William Cuitheo. [For the last, cf. 'Cutheho' in Queen's 5 B 1.]

[ Dated from

[Art.3] SULHAMPSTEAD BANNISTER church and land

Grant by John de Banastre of his church of Sulhampstead [Berks.], with half a virgate of land and all appurts. both in tithes and in other things, and by name as a daughter-church of Aldermaston [Berks.].

The donor has done this for love of God, and has acknowledged [the monks'] right, for the souls of his ancestors, lords and friends: in particular, by advice and grant of ds. William Acard.

The gift is confirmed by the donor's seal and offered on the altar of St Mary of Sherborne. At the same time [or, likewise] he has offered himself as a brother of the same.

Witnesses: William Achard; William Pincherni; Elias de Engliffildo; Walter Dandeli; master Osmund; Henry de Grantcourt; Gervase Banastre; Milo de Padeworth; Henry, and William his son; Gilbert Parmentarr'; Ralph Francigena.

[ Dated from

[Art.4] Pension from SHAW by Newbury church

Philip de Columbariis as patron of Shaw church, grants in perpetuity for himself and his heirs, to Prior Michael of Sherborne, dioc. Winchester, and his convent, and their successors for ever:

The yearly pension of 40s. from Shaw church, payable by hand of the rector of the church of the time. The religious of [Monk] Sherborne used to receive the pension in ancient times.

Donor's note of sealing.

Witnesses: sir Theobald de Brewes, sir Herbert Peche, sir Almeric Peche, sir William de Say and sir John de Say, knights; William de

63/123 art.4 contd/

Martiny; Nicholas Martiny; and many others.

[13th cent. Dated from Queen's 5 B 6, sealed.]

\* \* Queen's 5 B 8-11, 1253-4, give evidence of a later rector's withholding the pension until a mandate issued from the dean of Chichester and mag. W. de Glovernia to the Bp of Salisbury; who is ordered to see that the pension is restored to Sherborne priory.

[Art.5] SOTWELL tithes and lands

Adam de Port grants to the church and monks of St Mary, Sherborne, for his parents' and ancestors' souls, in frankalmoin:

All manner of tithes, both corn and small tithes, from his lordship of Sotwell. And besides, an acre sown with wheat, another acre sown with oats, and a virgate of land in the same vill; free and quiet from all interference.

The donor has given all these to the monks to hold as freely, etc, as anyone ever held them.

Note of donor's sealing.

Witnesses: Herbert, dean of Sherborne; John de Port, clerk; Hugh de Port; Roger and Matthew de Scures; John de Inhurst [or, Juhurst?]; John de Becham; William Francigena; Gregory Wasthuse; Hugh Francigena; Ralph Heat.

[ Dated from

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63/124. 'CARTULARY 2': calendar.

(Transcripts of [arts.1-4] are in ECR 49, 'Misc. estates', typescript unpublished, 1963. The late H.N. Blakiston calendared and transcribed as 49/263-266, four other copies of 63/124 [1-4], with a separate pencilled number against each deed copied on one membrane. ECR 49/264 incorporates both [arts.2 and 3] of 63/124. [Art.5 is calendared here but not separately transcribed.]

Parchment; 1 m, top cut to tongue-shape. Text at top faded, needing UVL. Foot torn and brittle. Copy of Inquisition ad quod dampnum, 1279 (Hampshire) sewn on parchment tag at left foot. Heading of membrane gives short titles of [arts.1,2].

[Art.1] Patronage of St Andrew's church, SHERBORNE ST JOHN

[The parish was also called Sherborne Decani, because its rectors, presented by the lord of the manor, were 'from early times' styled deans of Sherborne. VCH Hants iv.167b, for the dedication; ibid. 170a, in 'Advowson', for decani.]

Robert de St John, son and heir of sir William de St John, for the sake of divine love and the salvation of souls of himself and his ancestors, granted in frankalmoin in perpetuity to the church of St Mary and St John of Sherborne; and the monks serving God there:

The patronage of the church of St Andrew, Sherborne, Robert's by right of inheritance; and all that he lawfully had or could have in the church.

Donor and heirs will not reclaim the patronage or anything in the church of St Andrew. He has apposed his seal to the grant; and, God willing, gives his body at his death to be buried there.

Witnesses: sir Adam de St John his brother, Robert de Say, Adam de Sancto Manneo, Herbert de Burhunt, Matthew de Venoyr, William Paenel, knights; Nicholas, parson of Chawton; Roger, parson of Shefford; Peter, parson of Newnham; Robert, chaplain of the same church of Sherborne; William, chaplain of Bramley; Joseph Wastehus; William de Harteney; William de la Scrope; and many others.

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The other copy is 49/263.

[Art.2] Order of the Bp of Winchester:  
 Thomas de Cantilupe and successor rectors of Sherborne decani are to pay 5 marks yearly benefice to the priory.

Winchester, 1247 May 4.

Because the rectory of the church of Sherborne decani is vacant, by resignation of John Pagenell, archdeacon of Coutances; and sir Robert de St John, declaring himself patron of the church, presented to us ds. Thomas de Cantulupo, clerk, to the same;

On the other hand, the prior and monks of Sherborne declare that all right of patronage of that church belongs to them, by grant of sir Robert as in his charter [art.1]. They have asked us to sympathize with their poverty and to consider that the profits of the church should be granted to their own uses.

Sir Robert greatly desires not to be in dispute with the priory's petition. He, ds. Thomas, the prior and the monks have wholly committed themselves to our ruling on the presentation to the church; saving in all things the right of the priory and their evidences in reconciliation (adunantes) at that time.

In mercy and grace we ordain: that the rector of the church and every successor of the same, shall pay the priory 5 marks yearly for ever, named as a benefice from the goods of the church; in equal portions at Michaelmas and Easter.

Note of sealing.

Witnesses: ds. Hugh and ds. Walter, archdeacons of Winchester and of Surrey; mag. Geoffrey de Fenigre, our official; mag. William de Lichefeld and mag. William de Haleswibr'; ds. Philip and ds. Fulk, our chaplains; Richard de Frecon', William de Dunkewell, our clerks; and others.

Given at Winchester, on the morrow of the Invention of Holy Cross, AD 1247.

The other copy is included in 49/264.

[Art.3] Confirmation of [art.2]

[1247 x 49]. Inspeximus by Prior John and the chaplains of St Swithun's Winchester of Bp [Raleigh's] charter, citing incipit.

Note of [conventual?] sealing.

Dated from [New] Le Neve, Fasti ii (London, 1971), 89: John de Cauz prior (for the second time).

The other copy is 49/264; change date there given from '[1251]'.

[Art.4] Annuity of 5 marks to Sherborne priory from Sherborne St John church.

1251 Oct. 4. [Sir] Robert de St John grants for himself and his heirs, by order and provision of Bp William of Winchester of worthy memory [† 1250: bur. Sept. 1], in the church of Sherborne decani, 5 marks of silver yearly; from mag. Thomas de Cantulupa, rector, and every successor for ever in name of benefice.

Sir Robert freely ratifies and delivers up the late bp's order and provision made as benefice to Sherborne priory.

Note of sealing.

Witnesses: Adam de St John, Walter de Venur and John Lancelever, knights; Nicholas, dean of the church of Schaueton [?: tear]; Richard Wasthus; William de Mertone; and others.

Dated 35 Henry son of John, Wed. after Michaelmas.

[Art.5] ...

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[Art.5] Copy of Inquisition ad quod dampnum (Hampshire):  
Exchange of advowsons. SHERBORNE ST JOHN church,  
from sir John de St John, with NEWNHAM church, of  
the prior and convent of Monk Sherborne.

Basingstoke, 1279 (7 Edw.) May 3, before the k.'s eschaetor.

Jurors: John Germain; Thomas de Wortynge; Philip Marmion[?];  
Thomas le Parkyr; William de Vouchle; John de la Herst; Adam  
Everard; Thomas Schip; Hugh le Cantissch; John Walet; William  
de Schite; Peter de la Hokes./[Thomas Coudeschip, line above.]

Verdict: No prejudice or damage to the k. His beloved and faithful  
John de St John may give or assign the advowson of Sherborne church,  
county of Southampton, to men of religion: the prior and convent of  
Sherborne [same county], in exchange for the advowson of Newnham  
church [same county].

John de St John has in fee the advowson of Newnham church, to be  
given and granted by the priory; John and his heirs to hold of  
the k. and his heirs in exchange as aforesaid.

The priory can appropriate Sherborne [St John] church and hold it  
to their own uses for themselves and successors, for ever.

John holds the advowson of Sherborne church in chief of the k.  
by knight service.

The priory hold the advowson of Newnham church from John de St  
John the patron, by divine service: to pray and celebrate masses  
for himself and his successors' and predecessors' souls, patrons  
and founders of the priory; in which manner they conveyed the ad-  
vowson to the priory.

John holds the advowson of Newnham church in chief of the k. by  
knight service.

According to the true value, Sherborne church is worth yearly  
24 marks and Newnham church 22 marks.

Note of sealing by the jurors to the inquisition.

Endorsed (same hand): Domino suo Priori de Schir'.

\* \* Copy evidently sent as writ close. Original folds, longways  
in three and across in three, still plain. Pair of slits in each  
final fold for parchment tie.

There is a crumpled parchment strip, perhaps the broad end of the  
address-tie, sewn to one slit at base of tongue-shaped head of  
63/124; legend, Licencia de patronatu de Schirebourne saint Joh

There is no punctuation mark after the last letter, and space for  
more writing. There is equal space before the 'Lic': if not the  
address-slip, the strip may have been sewn across the top of the  
roll as a label.

Note on 49/263-266.

One deed copied, 49/265, is not among those in the ECR 63 copies.  
Dated at Monk Sherborne chapter, 1307 May 1: appointment of pro-  
ctors (two monks; mag. H. Trotard; and the rector of Sulhampstead  
Bannister church) to act for prior Reginald and the convent in  
legal matters. Mr Blakiston did not transcribe the deed; but NB  
the note he translated after the dating clause following the note  
of conventual sealing:

As the common seal of the house is in the custody of the patron  
sir John de St John, under the lock of his steward in the conventual  
church of Sherborne, the prior's seal has been appended instead.

63/125. 1362[/3?] Legal record.

Parchment, 1 m; dorse unused. Stained; very badly faded in parts.  
Some readings still uncertain after use of ultraviolet lamp.

Contemporary copy, apparently all in one hand, of three documents:

[Art.1] Writ to the sheriff of Hampshire to hold Inquisition  
for Extent.

[Art.2] Inquisition for Extent.

[Art.3] Subsequent petition (French) from the prior to the k.

[Art.1] Westminster, 1362 Nov. 8. [The writ.]

Whereas £1162.10d. is demanded in payment to our sheriff, under name of the prior of Sherborne and of other farmers of the priory, lately shown as in arrears for the farm from [1337 to 1361; when aliens' possessions were in the k.'s hands during the war with France];

The prior has given us to understand that the possessions of the priory scarcely suffice to sustain him and the monks there. He has been gravely distressed and frequently disturbed on account of the arrears, promised to be paid at our pleasure. He has asked us for suitable remedy.

We wish the prior's appeal to be examined, in order that justice may be done. The sheriff is to have an extent ... of all the priory's lands, etc., and the true yearly value.

Return to the Exchequer at Westminster in the octave of Hilary.

Attested by W. de Skipwyth.

[Art.2] Monk Sherborne, 1362 Dec. 19. [The inquisition.]

In presence of Thomas de Hampton, sheriff: Monday before St. Thomas Apostle, 36 Edw. 3. By virtue of [art.1].

Jurors: John Chynham; Richard Danvers; Henry Watefford; Nicholas de Ichene; Roger Sauvage; Simon Candever; Hugh atte Houke; William atte Chythe; Robert de Anne; Richard Yeydele; William Balard; Humphrey Gilot.

[In the summary of the extent, the recurrent vale(n)t per annum ultra reprisam is to be understood. The different items are separated by letters in brackets for easier reading; in the MS they are written consecutively.]

- [a] Houses and buildings with adjacent gardens and curtilages in the priory.  
Worth nothing, because mostly tumbledown.
- [b] 200a. arable: 33s.4d. at 2d. the acre.
- [c] 63a.3r. arable lying fallow: nothing, because uncultivated.
- [d] 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. meadow: 16s.6d., at 12d. the acre.
- [e] 29a. pasture in severalty: 4s.10d., at 2d. the acre.
- [f] Woodland [struck through; see [g] next below] A pasture called 1a Frithe: 5s.4d.: 32a. at 2d. the acre.
- [g] 54 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. woodland: 9s.1d., at 2d. the acre.
- [h] One woodland containing 20a.: 2s. and no more, because in common.
- [i] Three dovecots: 6s., at 2s. the cote.
- [j] From rents of assize there: £8.3.3.
- [k] Pleas and perquisites of Courts: 6s.8d.
- [l] MONK SHERBORNE church with appurtenant tithes: 60s.
- [m] BRAMLEY church: £10.
- [n] UPTON GREY church: 40s.
- [o] CHINEHAM church with the tithes of the manor of BASING: nothing.
- ~~£100 = yearly pension at NEWNHAM payable by the rector = 40s.~~

[p] ...

63/125 [art.2] contd/

- [p] The tithes of the manor of LUDSHOTT: 5s.  
 [q] A yearly pension at NEWNHAM, payable by the rector: 40s.  
 [r] A yearly pension at CHURCH OAKLEY, [as [q]]: 6s.8d.

SUM of true value of all lands [etc.] yearly: £ 29. 18. 8.

The jurors say that the prior has no further lands etc. within the bailiwick which can be extended.

Note of apposition of jurors' seals.  
 Given on the day and at the place abovesaid.

Inde sequitur supplicatio

[Art.3] [1362/3. The petition.]

To the king.

The prior and monks of Sherborne in Hampshire supplicate for grace and remedy.

Whereas they are so grievously often distrained by Exchequer writ that they cannot pay pledges from their lands; their house is destroyed; and their possessions so small that they have scarce wherewithal to live there:

So they can pay nothing to the k., as more fully appears in the extent made [place, date and form of [art.2] cited].

It was found by the extent that the lands of the priory are worth yearly £29.18.8. beyond all outgoing. But there was no mention made of the yearly charges on the prior:

- [a] To the prior of SELBORNE, a yearly pension: £4.  
 [b] To the archdeacon of WINCHESTER for procurations, gifts and synodals [?: sanages in MS, conceivably scinages; but meaning not found in any work at hand], 27s.9d.  
 [c] To the pope: 7s.2d.  
 [d] To Roland Panele, corrodian: 40s.

SUM of this yearly charge: £ 7. 6. 11.

And there remains for sustenance of the prior and five monks; and for repairs to churches, chancels, dorter, granges and other necessary buildings, destroyed by the great storm or otherwise beaten down to the ground; and for expenses, pleadings and other necessities when tithes and subsidies are lacking (ne currunt): £22.3.9.

SUM remaining for all expenses: £ 22. 3. 9. [repeated from above].

Wherefore the said religious ask the king that grace and remedy be granted them, so that God and holy church may be served, the buildings sustained, and the prior and monks can live.

May the king be willing to grant that the house should never be ordered to make any payment in that regard as other aliens are, because of the paucity of its possessions: etc.

\* \* \* For an earlier predicament of the prior's burden, cf. D.J.A. Matthew, The Norman Monasteries and their English possessions (Oxford Historical Series; 2nd series, 1962), p.105 Note B:

'The prior of Sherborne protested his inability to pay a farm of £80 from revenues not worth £60 and asked that the farm be reduced or that he be given a respite from paying, or that the king take the custody and pay the prior and monks an allowance from the revenues: C.C1.R. 1339-41, pp.240,330: 22 August and 22 November 1339. Overseers were appointed to act according to the prior's advice for the relief of the house: C.P.R. 1340-3, p.12: 28 July 1340.'



Rentals

63/126. 1293/4. Rental of Sherborne priory, 22 Edw. 1.

Parchment, 2 ms; repaired at head and left side of m1 [? at BM, c/o J.P. Gilson, early C20.] Corrections in hands of early C14.

[Easter for Lady Day.]

Membrane 1 Term-days in line across (the usual quarter-days, Free tenants (Liberi top left margin); implicit of SHERBORNE priory and vill.Membrane 2 Free tenants; spot of red wax at left of fourth line appears to be cue above other vills, margined: CHINEHAM; ROTHERWICK; NEWNHAM; MAPLEDURWELL; CLIDDESSEN; CHURCH OAKLEY; MALSHANGER (Yerdly); STEVENTON; WOOTTON [ST LAWRENCE: reading tentative].Rents of villeins (28 names + 1 below a sum)SUM of sums: £ 23. 6. 3. Item: 2s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. [These come below struck-through quarters' totals.]

Defaults of rents of lands which are in the lord's hands [Heading and most names struck through; a few later added.]

Membrane 1d Headword, Denarienda [?] above quarter-day columns; continuation of rents from other vills: PAMBER; UPTON; ABBOTSTONE mill; ALRESFORD; WINCHESTER; PORTSEA; LUDSHOTT; SOTWELL; CHOLSEY; HENLEY [in Great Shefford]; NEWBURY; SULHAMPSTEAD [BANNISTER]; ALDERMASTON; HECKFIELD; STRATFIELD TURGIS; STRATFIELD SAYE;Membrane 2d BRAMLEY.  
SUM of sums (quarters' totals uncorrected) [this side]  
£ 13. 18. 7.Church pensions

SHAW	40s. yearly
SULHAMPSTEAD [BANNISTER]	2s. yearly
PADWORTH at 4 quarters	26s. 8d.
CHURCH OAKLEY	6s. 8d. yearly
NEWNHAM	40s. yearly
LUDSHOTT for tithes	13s. 4d.

SUM £ 6. 8. 8.

TOTAL SUM of rents and pensions yearly [BLANK]

Cheris<sup>2</sup>ets and egg-rentsTwenty-eight names mostly matching the villeins in m2; with a note by the clerk at right halfway down, that nativi who do their yearly works are allowed at Christmas, St. John's and Mich. terms, 6d. of their rent; but at All Saints' [?: I read abbreviated sanctorum] term, 3d.Sum below this note, 54s. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Bottom line, sum of hens: 32; of eggs: 140.

63/127. [c.1300] [Rents of] assize and pensions belonging to the priory of Sherborne [owed by?] the names written below.

Parchment, 4 ms. Top brittle, with tears down sides. Part of heading and perhaps date lost. [Dated from handwriting.]

Membrane 1 Six columns of term-days; rightmost gone but posited from text in m3:  
Christmas; Easter; St John Baptist; Michaelmas; Pentecost; St Giles [Sept. 1].  
Presumed free] tenants of SHERBORNE priory and vill.Membrane 2 ...

63/127 contd.

Membrane 2 SHERBORNE free tenants, continued:with SUM at right, £ 15. 7.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ d.Centred heading, Villani; sum at right foot, £ 4. 5s.Five place-names in line across, with names beside most of the ten tenants in  
WOOTTON [ST LAWRENCE]; MALSHANGER (Erdlie); CHURCH  
OAKLEY; STEVENTON; CLIDDESSEN.

(Nibbled hole affects last two rents; no sum.)

On another line: UPTON. DECOLLATION OF ST JOHN.  
The first of three tenants pays only on [Aug. 29];  
the other two pay at four quarter-days or only at  
Easter and Mich.

## MAPLEDURWELL (first of two tenants)

Membrane 3 Second tenant of Mapledurwell; then blocks of tenants  
under centred place-names:NEWNHAM; CHINEHAM; HENLEY [in Shefford; these three  
places have customary payments written bold at right];  
ALDERMASTON; ~~CHOLSEY~~ and WALLINGFORD and SOTWELL;  
CHOLSEY; AT ALL SAINTS' [the one Cholsey tenant's rent];  
BRAMLEY; STRATFIELD [SAYE or TURGIS not added]; PAMBER;  
ALRESFORD; ABBOTSTONE mill; WINCHESTER [High Street by  
first name; three others not given a street or ten.-name];  
PORTSEA; LUDSHOTT; UPTON.Membrane 4 Sum of all rents at the eight term-days (Nativity of  
BVM added to those already shown, but nothing above seen  
as marked to be paid on [8 Sept.]; none is summed to right  
of line.)SUM of sums of rents ... except pensions written below  
[BLANK]PENSIONS. On the line, the four principal term-days  
with Ascension Day, and St Giles in columns at right.

PADWORTH four quarter-days [4 x 6s.8d. = 26s.8d.]

SULHAMPSTEAD 2s. from the parson at Mich. and from  
William Plonte 12d. [? at St Giles as under that head,  
maybe added to Mich.] [3s. yearly cf. 2s. in 63/126]CHURCH OAKLEY 6s.8d. at Mich.SHAW 40s. at Ascension DayNEWNHAM 40s. at St Giles' DayLAVINGTON by hand of the sometime Bp of Salisbury, 10s.  
at St Giles' Day

SUM of the whole pension: [BLANK]

\* \* \* Membranes 1d-4d, starting some way below top of m1d (faded in  
parts and rubbed; two small holes in m3 lose a little text):Walter of Henley's Husbandry. Written temp. Edw. 2. Dr Dorothea  
Oschinsky suggests, from photocopies, 1310-30.Incipit: Le pere seet en sa vieillesse et dist a soun fitz,  
Bon fitz vivetz sagement ...Explicit: ... e se penerunt de meuz fere etc.From collation with Dr Oschinsky's edition of Walter of Henley  
(Oxford, 1971); and correspondence with the late N.R. Ker, who also  
read photocopies of cruces in the text, this copy is identified as  
a 'beta'-MS of the D (monastic) group. Our text omits cc.25-31, 7 lines  
from foot of m1d.The English proverb in c.7 (Walter, text p.310, apparatus p.347), at  
m1d lines 11-12:Wo ye strecchez foryer yan his wytel wele reche in ye strau his fot  
he mot strecche. [Closest to copies C15,16 in Walter, loc. cit.]Neil Ker's letter of 15 April 1982 about this text of Walter was the  
last I had on Eton manuscripts and archives before his death.

63/128. 1374 May 21-27. Rental of rents and services of the prior  
[of Sherborne.]

Parchment; 1 m, cut to tongue at top. Left top brittle and tattered. Stained; rodent-nibbles down left side; right top torn. Some text of heading gone; parts badly faded, needing UVL. Some words unread below grey fixed stain. Vertical tear right of centre of foot.

Heading: In the 48th year of ~~Edw.~~ 3 this roll was made in the week of Pentecost [rest shown in title above.]

The four quarter-days, same as in previous rentals, are in line with heading line 2. But payments are spaced, with line drawn across from each tenant's name, in unheaded columns.

[MONK SHERBORNE] begins with Bernard Brocas kt, holding at pleasure; yearly rent in total (pays quarterly) 30s.

John de la Mour' is next, holding several tens., with John atte More intercalated in a rougher later hand (early C15).

Sums are entered rather roughly; with corrections to sums and notes against them, more than to successor-tenants' names; total, corrected, in right margin with no 'Summa' or centre-heading: £22.3d.

At foot, SHERBORNE ST JOHN above seven tenants, one the rector of Sherborne church. No sum, but Verte to dorse.

Dorse BRAMLEY, headed by the vicar for part of his ten.; PAMBER; HENLEY [in Shefford: ? - MS has 'Hulle' but no other place-name matches. Three tenants cannot be linked to the earlier rentals of ECR 61 rent rolls; gaps in time are too great.] WOOTTON [ST LAWRENCE]; CHURCH OAKLEY and STEVENTON [where the first of two tenants, ds William Wycham, holds two tens.]; CLIDDSDEN; MAPLEDURWELL; UPTON [blank]; ROTHERWICK; NEWBURY; UFTON.

These last three are faded from rubbing; the last is worst.

63/129. [Late C14, with additions early C15 on dorse]

Apparent Extent made on Inquisition

Parchment, 1 m. Very badly faded top third of front of much of dorse: several passages not confidently read under UVL and with lens. Stiff, stained; torn and nibbled top left, nibbled right foot.

Front Jurati dicunt, abrupt beginning, gives clue to nature of record. Writ, sheriff's name and place-dating, with jurors' names, presumed cut away from head: no obvious stitch-holes point to lost preceding membrane.

Priory houses and buildings, gardens and curtilages: net value nothing because the greater part has fallen down. Arable, 200a. [value lost under stain].

Thereafter lands, and churches, sixteen and a half lines, appear to follow order of 63/125. I could not make out sub-totals of net yearly value of all pieces of lands; but noted, cf. /125, in the tithes and churches that values are reduced because chaplains are to be found to celebrate three days a week in WOODGARSTON and the old castle of BASING. [First church not read: ? ibidem for Sherborne; second is BASING.]

[SUM of income and notional assets] £ 28. 6. 8.

Yearly charges incumbent on priory lands and churches:

The papal nuncio, 7s.2d.

The king for rent, 11s.10d.

The prior of St Swithun's Winchester, 5s.

The prior of Selborne: a pension, £4.

John atte More, rent, 7s.4d.

The lord of Upton, 6s.4d.

The archdeacon of Winchester: procurations, visitations, donations and synodals, 27s.9d.

Walter Haywode, John atte More, each a corrody of 40s. [Perhaps a third corrodian interlined: John Smith, £3.]

Aldermaston ...

63/129, front contd/

Aldermaston church in Berkshire: 9 marks, no more because the prior finds a chaplain three days a week in the manor there.

Padworth church pension, 2 marks;

Sulhampstead Bannister church pension, 2s. [Newnham, blotted out.]

Tithes from Sotwell manor, 20s. Total £9.2s.

From net remains, £23.3.3.

Sum total, £38.8.8.

Sum of expenses, £14.5.5.

[Memorandum: marginated]

Of several debts in which the prior [of Sherborne, interlined] is bound to various men:

The bp of Winchester, £12: pro dec' domino Regi ultimo solut'

The prior of Selborne, £3: pension in arrears

[The two corrodians, p.151, respectively]: £4 and £3.

[Several smaller sums - names noticed in 63/128, the 1374 rental]

Total £30.4.10.

Then begins an inventory of farm stock, badly faded; ~~runs-on-to~~  
Dorset Total, £7.10.4 in right corner.

Reads down from top; first of eleven lines, not clear even by UVL, starts about 3 in. down. Appears to repeat some details; rents, and church pensions. The first plainly readable is

Newnham, from the rector, 40s.

Church Oakley, 6s.8d. [A] Total £33.9.8 [clear by UVL]

Church of Aldermaston, Berks., £6.13.4.

Sotwell manor, parcel of tithes, 20s.

Shaw church pension, 60s., in arrear for twenty-five years

Padworth church pension, 26s.8d.

Sulhampstead Bannister pension from church, 2s.

Sum total £11.2s.

Sum total with pensions  
in arrear £ 39. 11. 8.

\* \* I have entered as many sums as possible (as found, whether the arithmetic is correct or no) in case they help to identify and date this extent, and confirm that it follows on Inquisition.

Infra-red photography might prove more useful than UVL in making the faded parts readable.

63/130.

Courts, 1362-72: wanting 1369.

Parchment, 6 ms. Stitch-holes across head of m1 suggest a longer roll at some time, or filing. Stitches between ms and 3 partly gone. M1d badly faded: needs UVL; m2d less worn.

The sequence is sporadic and irregular; all dates are therefore set out here. Free edge of m1d: 'Schureburne', C17.

Membrane 1 1362 Mar. 23. First Court of Br. Walter Benard, prior.  
[The clerk has added AD date in blacker ink after the regnal date. All the rest are simply 'Courts'.]  
This first Court runs on to m1d.

Membrane 2 1362 Apr. 28;  
1362 Aug. 4, continues on

Membrane 3 [then]  
1363 Mar. 16;  
1363 Apr. 6;  
1363 Oct. 14.

Membrane 4



63/130, contd/

<u>Membrane 4</u>	1363 <u>Nov.</u> 4; 1363 <u>Nov.</u> 25; 1364 <u>Mar.</u> 8; 1364 <u>Nov.</u> 7; 1364 <u>Nov.</u> 21, continues on
<u>Membrane 5</u>	[then] 1365 <u>Jan.</u> 9; 1364 <u>Dec.</u> 19; 1365 <u>Jan.</u> 30; 1365 <u>Feb.</u> 20.
<u>Membrane 6</u>	1365 <u>Oct.</u> 2; 1365 <u>Nov.</u> 3; 1366 <u>July</u> 4; 1366 <u>Nov.</u> 5.
<u>Membrane 1d</u>	1362 <u>Mar.</u> 23; [adhuc from m1] 1367 <u>Jan.</u> 7.
<u>Membrane 2d</u>	1367 <u>July</u> 3; 1367 <u>Oct.</u> 2; 1368 <u>Jan.</u> 31; 1368 <u>Nov.</u> 7, continues on
<u>Membrane 3d</u>	[then] 1370 <u>Feb.</u> 25; 1370 <u>Mar.</u> 16; 1370 <u>Apr.</u> 8; 1370 <u>Apr.</u> 29.
<u>Membrane 4d</u>	1370 <u>May</u> 20; 1370 <u>June</u> 10; 1370 <u>July</u> 11; 1370 <u>Oct.</u> 19; 1370 <u>Nov.</u> 9, continues on
<u>Membrane 5d</u>	[then] 1371 <u>May</u> 10; 1371 <u>May</u> 31; 1371 <u>Oct.</u> 18, continues on
<u>Membrane 6d</u>	[then] 1371 <u>Nov.</u> 8; 1371 <u>Oct.</u> 4; 1372 <u>Nov.</u> 4.

63/131-134. Pannage rolls, 1436/38/39/40.

Paper; Latin. Two hands (131-132; 133-134); both appear to be of French speakers, to judge from spelling of the tenants' surnames. Common heading: Pannage of the priory of B.M. of Sherborne for the year AD, roman figures and written out.

63/131 is a bifolium; only first recto used. Anchor watermark in blank leaf.

The three others are single sheets. Numbers and varieties of pigs of twenty-six to twenty-eight tenants incomplete except in /134. Thomas Clapcho [and variants] as farmer de albo monasterio is at or near the head; named without his farm in /134. For him and for 'Whitchurch' see introduction, pp.140,141 above.

Four jurors from pannagers named at foot of /131 only; in /133, the clerk habitually writes 'proc/is/ellis' for porc/is/ellis. In /131 and /132 Thomas Hande, near foot in both, has pro lucia caret[er]e against his name. He appears to be the only tenant exercising pannage right by proxy: 'for Lucy Carter' seems a more likely meaning than an untraceable word connected with cartage. (There is a 'pro Guille ...' last in /132, presumably 'for William [blank]'.)

Dorse and unused front of 63/134 have the draft record of a Court at Sherborne priory, 1441 Thurs. Sept. 21.

## MORE manor in Northmoor, Oxon.

Member, with TAYNTON manor, Oxon, of DEERHURST priory, Glos.  
(A.p. of Saint-Denis by Paris abbey until denizen in 1443.)

\* \* DEERHURST and its possessions require a headnote here, for an eventual summary guide to ECR.

Grant in reversion 1447 Mar. 4 LP: 39/72; Rot.Parl. v.13Ob.

On death of Prior Hugh Maugason, commonachus of Saint-Denis; with proviso at end of LP: Rot.Parl. v.131b-32a, for KCC. When reversion falls in, the Bp of Lincoln is to assign to KCC a parcel or other possessions of Deerhurst of net yearly value of 100 marks.

Acquired 1453 Jan. Indenture, 39/107, 1453 Jan. 23, of assignment, Prior Hugh having died, of three manors in Glos. by the Bp of Lincoln to KCC according to the proviso of 1447.

(ECR 39/108 [art.2] includes a copy of 39/72 without new date. Marginated as enrolled in memoranda of the Exchequer, in Recorda Hil. 32 Hen. 6, rot.46, KR side.

(The rent receipt of MORE manor, 1453, 61/RR/A/77 - the Lincs./Glos. roll - r4d, shows the first cash delivery made to EC's bursars on Jan. 12. Taynton and the Glos. manors may show as early a date in 1453.)

Rent rolls 1453, RR/A/77  
until  
1459 (Glos.), RR/B/13;  
1460 (Oxon), RR/B/18.

DEERHURST itself does not appear until 1455, RR/A/89. Arrears show that the 1454 rotulet has gone (not on wrapper-list); 1453 shown as missing from roll although on wrapper-list: ECR 61, p.37.

Resumed 1461. See ECR 61 Appendix D, p.102.

Members tally with the list in VCH Glos. ii.105a: in Glos., manors of Coln St Dennis; Deerhurst (with rectory, not in ECR although 39/72 includes advowsons of churches); Haw; Uckington (with rectory); Woolstone. (The manors assigned to KCC, above, were (Little) Compton, afterwards in Warwicks.; Preston-on-Stour; Welford-on-Avon. See also VCH Cambs. iii.380a.)

In Oxon, manors of 'Taynton with La More'.

The last rent roll for Glos., 1459 (RR/B/13) has on wrapper-list: 'Balliva de Aylmonston'. The compotus is on r3d. Heading, translated: 'Bailiwick of the Hundred, of Elmstone [Hardwicke]; Richard Drynkwater, bailiff of the liberty there.'

I have inserted the comma in the heading. There was no Hundred of Elmstone; the parish was then in Deerhurst Hundred or divided between that and Westminster [abbey] Hundred. VCH Glos. viii.26-7, map and description of Deerhurst Hundred; 50, Elmstone Hardwicke and Uckington combined in the parish of E.H.; 269, map and description of Westminster Hundred, lower division.

The Elmstone compotus (no arrears) shows 75s.7d. received from eleven Hundreds [Courts] 'this year'. The compotus for Uckington, r5-5d, has in Sum of allowances and cash delivery, r5d lines 5-7 of text below heading: 53s.4d. paid to Edmund Hungreford sheriff of Glos. for the Hundred of Deerhurst, for farm of that Hundred payable to the k.

The first surviving compotus of Deerhurst makes all clear. In 1455 (61/RR/A/89, r3 - torn and crumpled at top left -, Perquisites of Courts and Hundreds with toll: receipts from perqs. of Hundreds held at Elmstone this year. (The tolnetum came from fairs at Deerhurst on 3 May and 14 Sept.; Exaltation, and Invention, of Holy Cross.)

Deerhurst Hundred consisted at this time of eleven parishes, mostly scattered and a few well away from the priory. In the map in VCH cited above, Elmstone Hardwicke was as central a meeting-place of the Hundred as could be devised.

MORE manor was identified as (in) NORTHMOOR from EPNS xxiv (Cambridge, 1954), Oxfordshire ii,366-7. 'La More St Denis' or 'Sancti Dionisii' cited as main forms C11 to 1343; Northmore 1367.

63/135. 1458 Dec. 11. Rental renewed, left-hand indenture; by information of Thomas, John and William Cogeyn.

Parchment, 1 m. In the hand of David Whitchurch, clerk of accounts. Red ink ruling and column-divisions. Latin.

Heading [below description]: Free tenants. Term-days: Martinmas (Nov. 11); Ash Wednesday; Ascension Day; Michaelmas.

Free tenants fill most of front. Fourth from last helps to confirm site of place-name:

From the heirs of Edward Walweyn; for 1 messuage and certain lands and meadows enclosed, with the ferry called Bablake. This is Bablock Hythe (EPNS xxiv,366).

Customary tenants under left column heading fill rest of front and most of dorse, where term-day columns are repeated at head.

Endorsed (top left corner in Whitchurch's hand) Rentale de More.  
(across roll, a little lower down; the C16 hand familiar from rentals in ECR 63, not yet identified)  
Rental' de manerio de More.

The new rental is not cited by date in the rent roll of 1459, Oxon: 61/RR/B/12 r4-4d. William Cogyn, rent-collector.

Rents of Assize (Perqs. of Courts is the only other entry for receipts) has simply, ut patet per rentale (same words as in every roll checked for previous years).

Two term-days not in 63/135 are in the rent roll: Hock Day [second Tues. after Easter] and St Peter ad vincula [1 Aug.] Each term day has a specified sum due (and apparently paid).

Other place- and field-names can be compared from this roll with EPNS xxiv.366-7. In turn, the rental supplies names now evidently obsolete.

For separate rolls of TAYNTON manor, see 63/157-166; below, pp.183-90.

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[63/136.] OKEHAMPTON 'with others', Devon

Members of COWICK priory. See 63/69, above (rental renewed 1452): p.45 for acquisition etc.; p.47 for members. See also 63/60, p.29, for separate rental renewed 1451 of CHRISTOW with Le Fenne in CHAGFORD.

63/136. 1452 Sept. 30. Rental made anew (de novo) by William Okeden, receiver of EC.

Parchment, 1m. Latin. Text runs on to bottom quarter of dorse, read up from foot. One hand throughout; presumably Okeden's autograph. Not familiar from rent rolls that I have needed to examine, but it may appear on more deliberate search particularly in the Cowick rolls from 61/RR/A/82, 1453, onwards; perhaps also in the Lease Book Register 1445-1529 (60/LB/1) in engrossments between 1449-59. Tentative attributions to Okeden of entries between fo.44v (1451) and fo.84r (1458), with 63/136 at hand, ought to be checked by another eye.

Summary of contents follows on p.186.



63/136 summary contents.

Front HALSTOCK seven tenants (one free ten.) sum 20s.8d.  
 OKEHAMPTON ten-year farm of rectory £8.6.8.  
 pension from vicar of the church 26s.8d.  
 profit from Priorshay, parcel of  
 land between vicarage and cemetery 12d.  
 Nicholas Upright, farm of three  
 cottages (detailed) leased him by 12s.  
 William, lately prior  
 [W. Dunbaude: ECR 61/RR/A/82 r2/1d; Donnebant/Donnebaut,  
English Lands ... Bec, p.134]

sum £10.6.4.

## INWARDLEIGH

six tenants, for 'certain lands' 11s.

## SAMPFORD COURTENAY

from rector for portion of corn tithes 8s.MEETH annual pension from rector 2s.

## SPREYTON

from vicar of the church for farm of  
the rectory 73s.4d.John atte Hethe for close called  
Prioreshore 13s.Thomas Kete [& three others] for lands  
called Churchewode 6s.sum £4.12.4.

Dorse LE FENE within the parish of OKEHAMPTON/  
 CHAGFORD [O. not cancelled. C. on line in margin below]

John Colhall the elder alias John atte  
[p-n omitted; for lands detailed] 2s.6d.William Laker [lands detailed] 2s.6d.John Colhall the younger alias John  
Binhouse [?: not confirmed from (anon.)Rents of Assize, RR/A/82 r2/1d] for  
quarter part of lands called Lake in  
the franchise of EXMINSTER 9d.

[in the rent roll cited, Le Fenne is in the parish of Chagford]

sum 5s.9d.Sum total: £ 17. 6. 1.

No endorsement.

'Le Fen(n)e' in Chagford now VENN: EPNS ix, Devon ii (Cambridge,  
 1932), 426.

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[63/137] OSENEY ABBEY manors  
 in Oxon, Bucks. and Gos.;  
 Court rolls 1341-42.

In ECR 49 ('Misc. Estates'; typescript, 1963) H.N. Blakiston listed  
 as 49/311 a roll of 3 ms [in fact of 3 rs], of courts of OSENEY  
 abbey manors, 1511, in the same three counties. Both that roll and  
 63/137, described below, include LITTLE TEW, Oxon: the only place-  
 name common to EC and Oseney, each holding separate manors.

LITTLE TEW first appears in EC rent rolls in 1447: 61/RR/A/37, m2d:  
 'no arrears because first render [to EC]'. It is not named in the  
 Endowment Charter, 1441 Jan. 25, in which EC was to have the rever-  
 sion, 1447 July 9, of the farm of the alien priories of MINSTER

LOVELL and COGGES, Oxon. Henry VI had granted custody to Sir William Lovell kt, dominus de Lovell, for ten years from the death of Queen Joan of Navarre (1437 July 9): Rot. Parl. v.47b.

Other estates in Oxfordshire and one in Wiltshire, not explicit in the Endowment Charter, came to EC in reversion from Sir William. Some had earlier belonged to COGGES priory. ~~Appendix 3.ii below, pp. , 'Lovell estates in Oxon and Wilts.', was compiled from notes I had made to explain the first appearance in rent rolls of the 1440s and 1450s of estates not explicit in any endowment charter. (Sir William Lovell d. 1455 June 13: GEC viii.222. EC had leased back to him some estates acquired in 1447.)~~

Lease Book 1529-1556 (60/LB/2) has at fos.70<sup>r</sup>-71<sup>r</sup> engrossments of two documents relating to LITTLE TEW. They are in the same C15/16 hand which engrossed Lucerne abbey's charter of gift of land, and later feefarm rent of EC's, in WHEELY in Warnford, Hants: member of the Sussex manor of Lucerne's, BRIMFAST FISHERS: above, pp.101-02. No draft copy of presumed extracts from Oseney cartularies has come to light; cf. 49/198 for LUCERNE.

The first of the copies headed 'TEW PARVA' is of the composition, 1268 June 11, between John des Préaux, lord of Great Tew; and the abbot of Oseney, the prior of Cogges, and other lords of Little Tew: for restoring a ploughland called Costow (in Great Tew) wrongfully sown and enclosed, and rights of common in a ley between Woodway and Little Tew.

The second copy is of the translation into C15 English of a confirmation of the first, in greater detail, 1288 June 5.

EPNS xxiv, Oxfordshire ii (Cambridge, 1954), 290 (Great Tew field-names), cites '1268 Os' as authority for 'Costowa' and '1287-8 Bodl.' for 'Costow' as the name appears in the translation.

See Cartulary of Oseney Abbey, ed. H.E. Salter, iv (Oxf. Hist. Soc. xcvi, 1934): the 1268 composition is no.169 at pp.229-30; and the Latin text of the 1288 confirmation is no.174 at pp.235-6.

I am indebted to Mr David Vaisey for supplying the references.

Neither court roll has any mention of Costow or disputed rights of common. In 49/311 (LITTLE TEW last on r1, 1511 Oct. 2) there is a by-law including depasture of draught horses in a field called (le Morowlesewe): lost fn, cf. EPNS xxiv, 292. Relevant headings in the audit book 1505 x 1529 (62/AB/1) for 1512 yield nothing about courts at Little Tew - checked in case there seemed good reason for the loan of Oseney's roll for comparison.

Both rolls appear to be strays from Oseney's sometime muniment room, detained in ECR for centuries with now no clue to context.

63/137. BADLY DAMAGED. Parchment; Latin; file of 8 rs.

Rotulets 1,2,4,7,8 defective and tattered at feet; r2, the longest, is the worst affected. Rotulet 3 is very short.

Summary of counties: OXON, rs 1-3,6(part),7-8d. BUCKS., rs 4-5d.  
GLOS., r6 (part).

Rotulet 1 1341 Oct. 29; WALTON, WORTON [in Cassington] and TWENTYACRE. Court with View of WALTON;

Rotulet 1- 1342 May 10; WALTON, TWENTYACRE and WORTON.  
1d Court with View at WALTON;

Rotulet 1d 1342 May 11. COWLEY, Court with View; and View of (Brugeset). SANDFORD-ON-THAMES in margin.

\* \* TWENTYACRE. I follow the form indexed in VCH Oxon iv, for the then rural hamlet near the modern Jericho.

VCH Oxon iv.278: Court at WALTON attended by tenants of the manors named above and BRIDGESET (lost pn) - St Thomas's parish in eastern suburb.

Rotulet 2 ...

63/137 contd/

- Rotulet 2 1341 Oct. 30; (WATER EATON and CUTSLOW. Courts with  
1342 May 13. ( View. Part of second court lost.
- Rotulet 2d blank
- Rotulet 3 1341 Nov. 2. HENSINGTON. Court with View there.
- Rotulet 3d blank
- Rotulet 4 1341 Nov. 5; STOWE, LAMPFORT and DADFORD. Court with  
View of STOWE there;  
1341 Nov. 6; MAIDS' MORETON. Court, with View of  
ST GEORGE'S FEE there;  
1341 Nov. 6; Court of the abbot of Oseney without View  
of the HONOR OF PEVER AND GIFFARD 'there';  
1341 Nov. 8. STEEPLE CLAYDON and OIVING. Court 'there';  
Text lost at foot.

\*\* For Oseney's fee of the collegiate parish church of St George in Oxford Castle; the manors; the Pevers' view of frankpledge; and Walter Giffard's demesne lands: VCH Bucks. iv.198-205 (MAIDS' MORETON), esp. 199b-201b, manors, and 204b, advowson.

- Rotulet 4d 1342 May 15; STEEPLE CLAYDON and OIVING. Court at  
CLAYDON;  
1342 May 15; STOWE, DADFORD and LAMPFORT. Court with  
View of STOWE there;  
1342 Aug. 8. OIVING and NORTH MARSTON. Court 'there'.
- Rotulet 5 1342 Jan. 22; (UPTON.  
1342 July 22. ( Courts with Views there.
- Rotulet 5d [N.d., contemporary] An admission at THOMLEY.
- Rotulet 6 1341 Nov. 15; BLACK BOURTON, BENNY, RUSHY, CLANFIELD  
and WIELD. Court [no place given];  
1341 Nov. 16; TURKDEAN. Court there;  
1341 Nov. 16. BIBURY. Court there.
- Rotulet 6d blank
- Rotulet 7 1341 Nov. 2; MIXBURY and NEWTON PURCELL. Court with  
View at MIXBURY;
- Rotulet 7-  
7d 1342 May 16; MIXBURY. Court with View there;
- Rotulet 7d 1342 July 25. MIXBURY. Court there.
- Rotulet 8 1341 Nov. 12; HOOK NORTON. Court there;  
1341 Nov. 13; SIBFORD GOWER. Court there;  
1341 Nov. 14; LITTLE TEW. Court with View there;  
1341 Nov. 14. [GREAT BARTON], SESSWELL BARTON, SANDFORD  
ST MARTIN, ROUSHAM and DUNS TEW. Court  
with View of SESSWELL BARTON at GREAT  
BARTON. [Left of heading gone.]
- Rotulet 8d 1342 May 17; ADDERBURY. Court there;  
1342 May 17; HOOK NORTON. Court there;  
1342 May 18; LITTLE TEW. Court with View there;
- [Date gone: ? 1342 May 18/19] STEEPLE BARTON, SESSWELL BARTON, SAND-  
FORD ST MARTIN, ROUSHAM and DUNS TEW.  
Court. [and View?: part heading, and  
place, gone.]

[63/138/A-D]

PENN and WYCOMBE, Bucks.;  
 EAST HENDRED, Berks.;  
 Bailiff's accounts, 1534/367/40.  
 (EAST HENDRED is in 1540 only.)

Aldiffes in PENN and Murwents in HIGH WYCOMBE.

Acquired 1511 Aug. 20. ECR 35/25:

Grant by William Ketyll and John Butteler of Eton, to EC:  
 All lands and tens. in PENN and WYCOMBE [and in Burnham, DORNEY and  
 BOVENY; all Bucks.], which they lately had by gift of Robert Rede  
 of Burnham.

Rede's previous grant to Ketyll and Butteler [feoffees to his uses],  
 1511 May 31, is 35/24. See also 33/72, 1507 May 24: Rede's grant to  
 Sir Andrew Wyndesore kt, of Stoke Poges, and other feoffees to uses,  
 of these estates.

ALDIFFES. The name appears as Aldith in 1275: Henry, grantor. The  
 message and lands are 'Tokevilles alias Aldiff' as once of Osbert  
 Tokevile: 36/51, 1462. (Walter T. is a witness in 36/4, n.d. but  
 late C13/early C14.)

Felicity Strong has summarized the descent of title in ECR 36, 'Penn  
 and elsewhere, Bucks.' (by H.N. Blakiston, typescript unpublished,  
 1955) from the chronological arrangement in the volume. From 1349 to  
1506, Cecily Aldyth ... Robert Rede and his lessee Richard Founge  
alias Cok:

36/16-19,22-23,26,34,40-43,48-49,51-54,62-64,67,73,75.

MURWENTS. Descent of title, 1332-1499: 36/6,8,11,20,25,27-30,32,37-  
 39 (John Morewyn in /39, 1438);44-47,55-61,65: the Morewyn family  
 to Rede and his feoffees to uses.

Robert Rede endowed an anniversary in EC Chapel, 1511 Jan. 10,  
 with lands and tens. worth 100s. yearly: ALDIFFES and MURWENTS and  
 lands in DORNEY. Notes on the endowment follow description of /138  
 /A-D; see below, p.161.

Rent rolls PENN and WYCOMBE, 1511; 61/RR/G/2, r2; bracketed with  
 Dorney among other estates in Bucks. No arrears because first account.

For EAST HENDRED, formerly BEC/OGBOURNE's (a yearly feefarm rent of  
100s.) see Appendix 3.1, 'Bec estates in Berks. and London', below:  
 p . Because the acquisition is not followed by entry  
 into rent rolls before the Resumption of 1461, notes were needed to  
 explain an exchange with MERTON PRIORY.  
 (It is not clear why the bailiff's account for 1540 included the rent.)

63/138/A-D. Compoti 1534/367/40.

Paper; Latin; drafts, rough to clean. /A, a bifolium near foolscap  
 size; watermark a lily-pot. Dust-stained and worn at long free edges.  
 It encloses /B,C,D: half sheets near quarto size, and smaller; and  
 a docket; found rolled loose within.

138/A. [1540] PENN with WYCOMBE, Account of Thomas Roberts, bailiff  
 and farmer there, 'per tempus predictum'.

Folio 1<sup>r</sup> Arrears, £7.8.7. [Both audit book gathering in 62/AB/2,  
 audit book 1530 x 1545, and rent roll, missing for 1539.  
 Sum noted in case either is rediscovered.]

Rents of Assize has sums blotted over. Rents Resolute  
 include 'Helmot feld' in PENN (ECR 36 index); and name  
 Andrew Windesor kt, lord Windsor; and Mr Penn, lord of the  
 manor of Penn.

Cash delivery: to mag. Edgecomb and mag. Belfeld bursars,  
£3.7s.

Folio 1<sup>v</sup> ...



63/138/A contd/

Folio 1<sup>v</sup> [only half used] Sum of allowances and delivery, blotted out.  
Et debet 5s.10d.

Folio 2<sup>r</sup> [less than half used] EAST HENDRED

Account of the late abbot of Reading [for same period]

Arrears £10;

Rent of Assize 'a pension yearly from lands and tens.' £5;

Sum owing £15.

Folio 2<sup>v</sup> Endorsements only.

[Roberts, 1540?] Compoti Penn cum Wycombe

[Martin, 1724] Penne cum Wicombe Compoti (4)

[The (4) traced to Digest fo.28, Drawer (41): Penn, Wycombe and Dorney.]

\*\* Dated from accountant, total delivery and bursars' names: Audit Book 1530 x 1545 (62/AB/2), p.185 (1540); Rentale and heading; and 1540 rent roll, 61/RR/G/24, rs 13d-14. PENN and WYCOMBE only; EAST HENDRED not found in either.

138/B. Half sheet; part only of front used, dorse blank.

[1540?] PENN with WYCOMBE.

Quit rents collected to the use of EC.

Four tenants; total Sum 7s.1d. [corrected]

Very roughly written in Roberts's hand. Perhaps continuation of 138/A, but neither audit book nor rent roll notes quit rents. Farm of lands is the only heading in both, for the year's income in the Charge.

Names include Hilmot fyld; Tyler end; demesne lands, John Redyng occupant.

138/C. [1533] Docket, ragged at top. Clean copy in good business hand.

Account of Henry Deane of PENN, 25 Hen. 8.

From farm of William Deane £3.6.8.;

and six others, total £5.4.1.

\*\* 1533 Rentale in 62/AB/2, p.67, has from PENN and WYCOMBE £7.16. $\frac{1}{2}$ . The rent roll for 1533 is missing; so receipts other than the £5.4.1. farm, to make up the audit book's total, cannot be checked.

138/D. [1536?] Near quarto-size, front only used. Dorse blank. Good business hand, different from /C's.

Account of Henry Deane from the feast of St [blank]

PENN Farm of John Myles £3.5.3.;

and ten others, total £5.4.1.

The second to fifth entries are ruled with brace at left and 'Church' in margin. These rents total 30s.4d., which matches sums paid separately from Deane's by William Church, in Rentalia of 1535/38/45 in 62/AB/2.

\*\* Sum tallies with with 1536 Rentale in 62/AB/2, p.133; and rent roll, 61/RR/G/21, r2. But 1536 must be qualified by a ? in case the £5.4.1. might have been in years missing from audit book and rent rolls. (From 62/AB/2: 1537/39/41/42/44. 1546-50 are lost between AB/2 and AB/3. Rent rolls, listed in ECR 61 p.50: 1532-34/39/43-47.)

Below the Sum, three biblical texts in Latin in the same hand, and an English memorandum [by Roberts?] on rent from a close in Wycombe parish.

Rede's endowment ...

[63/138/A-D endnote]

\*\* Robert Rede's endowment. A note is needed because there is a misleading citation in Lyte's History.

The deed of 1511 Jan. 10, mentioned above on p.159, is not yet listed in ECR. It is in fact two parts of a tripartite indenture, called provisionally 'REDE 1/A,B' for a future part-volume 'Anniversaries and Chantries.' Cf. 35/118, 1511 Apr. 24: 'Pars Roberti Rede' of another tripartite indenture, adding his ten. and lands in BURNHAM to the endowment.

The anniversary of Robert and Meryell his wife was to be kept in Election time: between 7 July and 15 August - the Translation of St. Thomas of Canterbury, and the Assumption of BVM. The provost of KCC and the two posers [examiners for scholarships to EC and KCC] were to attend and offer, and to receive 20d. each for their pains. This 5s. to KCC is a cue to tracing Distributions of charities, after Cost of Obits is abolished as a Discharge heading in the audit books.

Lyte, History, p.151, mentions Rede's exequies as held in Election week near the end of July, and the attendance of the Cambridge provost and posers. An earlier reference at p.102 and n.4 cites 'Audit Roll 1514-1515' [without cue to titulus]. This is impossible because no audit roll was made after 1505.

Lyte also cites ibid., authority for his statement that Rede d. 1515: G. Lipscomb, The history and antiquities of the county of Buckingham (4 vols., London 1831/47), iv.489: brass in EC Chapel to Robert Rede and 'Mervell' [as transcribed] his wife, late of the town of Burnham. In Lipscomb's transcript, Robert d. 1515 May 11. The brass, raised from the floor of the Ante-Chapel and fixed to the E. wall by the font, has no date within 1515 legible in the only later record: RCHM Bucks. (South), HMSO 1912, p.145b: brass (17).

Audit Book 1506 x 1529 (62/AB/1) shows that in 1512/13/15 Rede received a pension from EC of £4.3.4: for the full year to Mich. 1515. The pension, in Foreign payments, is not seen after 1515.

Cost of Obits first shows 'And exequies of Robert Rede and Meryell his wife' in 1527 (62/AB/1 p.425), Oct. 19. [Missing years before then are 1516/18/19.]; 1528 is also lost. In 1529, Robert alone has his exequies on Aug. 5. His wife reappears in 1531/32 as 'Matilda', in 62/AB/2 - perhaps half-forgotten, and not seen afterwards. Robert Rede's exequies, and Distributions linked to his name in 1552/53 and from 1560 after obits were abolished, remain in early August or late July as the endowment laid down.

(Detailed notes of audit book entries and dates are now kept with the draft calendar of 'REDE 1/A,B' among the archivist's working papers for future use.)

The apparent discrepancy of twelve years between Rede's death - if Lipscomb correctly transcribed the brass - and the first celebration of his exequies - cannot be explained from other sources in ECR. 'REDE 1' does not stipulate that the exequies are to be first held after the survivorship of Meriell or Robert.

POVINGTON manor in Tyneham, Dorset

with members in Dorset.

A,m. BEC/OGBOURNE

Court rolls 1441 x 1541; Rentals 1454/61.

See VCH Dorset ii.118-19; English Lands, p.141.

Acquired [reversion] 1451 June 22 LP. ECR 2/132, copied in 39/108  
[art.3.5.]  
CPR 1446-1452, 417: there dated 1451 Mar. 20.

Grant in frankalmoin of farm, in custody of John Neweburgh esq from 1449 Mich. to 1456 Mich., of the manor of POVINGTON with appurt. lands [etc.] in MILBORNE BEC, TURNWORTH, CHARLTON [MARSHALL] and MONKTON UP WIMBORNE; parcel of sometime a.p. of OGBOURNE, in the k.'s hands by death of John duke of Bedford.

(SOPLEY, Hants, included in the grant, does not enter ECR rent rolls.)

\* \* Memo. earlier grant relating to EC, cited in introduction to ECR 2; nothing known of it in ECR. LP 1442 Feb. 3; CPR 1441-1446, 43. Grant in frankalmoin to John Carpenter STP, master of St Anthony's hospital, London, and the brethren; remainder of POVINGTON [etc. as above but in 'Hampshire'], held for life by Richard Sturgeon, k.'s clerk. For exhibition ... of five boys or scholars in the faculty of arts in Oxford University: 10d. each weekly while resident, until he proceeds BA; provided that he shall have been instructed in the rudiments of that faculty in the college of Eton by Windsor.

The grant may have been ineffective for lack of time before transfer of custody of the manor.

For a separate roll of MILBORNE BEC, 63/122, see pp.136-7 above.

Rent rolls 1454 61/RR/A/87; [on 1453 wrapper-list but 1454 computus  
(early) 1457 /RR/B/5; begins 'No arrears; first account'.]  
1459 /RR/B/16. [Not on wrapper-lists 1460/61.]

Resumed 1461 ECR Appendix D p.109; p.99 for 'BEAUFITZ' grant  
[away.]

Regrant 1467 [reversion] LP: ECR 39/129. CPR 1467-1477, 62-3.

'The alien manor or priory of POVINGTON with all lands [etc.] in MILBORNE BEC and CHARLTON [MARSHALL], Dorset ...'

Returns to 1480 61/RR/C/17 r7d (next above MILBORNE BEC). Both  
Rent rolls have 'No arrears: first account.'

Lost (Exchange with Crown) 1547 June 1, tripartite indenture, ECR 14/1, reciting EC's indenture of grant 1546 Dec. 20; confirmed by LP 1547 Aug. 30: 39/162, CPR 1547-1548, 8-9.

In the indentures, the estate is described as 'the manor of MILBORNE BEC; a messuage and farm called Milbornbeck in the parish of Bere; a messuage in TURNWORTH; a meadow called HOLME in the parish of Holme; the manor of LUTTON; a messuage called Lutton in the parish of Steeple; the manor of POVINGTON; a messuage called Povington in the parish of Tyneham, Dorset ...'

In the LP, more concisely: '... the lordships or manors of MILBORNE BEC, LUTTON and POVINGTON, Dorset ...'

For a Valor of the Wilts, Dorset and Somerset manors, and local lands of EC's in the exchange, see 63/92: notes, above pp.88,89.

EPNS lii (Dorset i; Cambridge, 1977), 100-01: (Beklund 1323) in farm of BLACKMANSTON in Steeple parish (parcel of Povington; 282, Beeke 1326 as suffix to MILBORNE [BEC] manor in Milborne Stileham.

## Courts 1441 x 1541

There are three rolls. The first consists of eight rotulets, parchment and paper mixed; the second and third are each of one membrane of parchment. The large roll was unfiled; not all rotulets have matching stab-holes. They were out of chronological order when found: I thought it best to rearrange them in chronological order at least until the roll is repaired and restrung.

There is no evidence to show that the two singletons were detached from the large roll; they have no matching stab-holes. These two are therefore numbered separately.

[The rotulets of 63/139 are sub-numbered 1 to 8 for safety's sake, provisionally, while they remain unfiled.]

63/139. [1/8]. 8 rs: rs 1,2,8 parchment; rs 3,4,5,6,7 paper.

BADLY DAMAGED. The five paper rotulets are UNFIT FOR PRODUCTION. Old damp has heavily stained most of the usable parts of the text.

All the C15 courts except 1442 May 1, headed simply 'POVINGTON Court held there ...' are half-yearly law courts (Curia legalis) with View of Frankpledge at Michaelmas term and Hock term (nominally a fortnight after Easter). To save space, these courts are listed simply as 'Mich. term' and 'Hock term'. The headings of the two C16 courts are translated as each differs from C15 usage.

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1441 <u>May</u> 10;	Hock term.	Stained. Stab-holes at top [centre.
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1442 <u>May</u> 1.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1451 <u>Oct.</u> 17; 1452 <u>May</u> 2;	Mich. term; Hock term;	Parts faded. Stab-holes at [top centre. [wrapper.
<u>Rotulet 2-2d</u>	1452 <u>Sept.</u> 22;	Mich. term;	Longest r, now serves as
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	1453 <u>Oct.</u> 24.	Mich. term.	[1454-55: 63/140.]
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1459 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Mich. term;	
<u>Rotulet 3d</u>	1460 <u>Sept.</u> [ ]	Mich. term.	Day of month left blank.
<u>Rotulet 4</u>	1461 [...] 14.	Mich. term.	Top torn and defective. [Month probably <u>Oct.</u> ]
<u>Rotulet 4d</u>	blank		
<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1492 <u>June</u> 30; 1492 <u>Oct.</u> 15.	Hock term; Mich. term.	Top defective. [Mich.
<u>Rotulet 5d</u>	1495 <u>June</u> 12.	Hock term.	Corrected in heading from
<u>Rotulet 6</u>	[1495 ... ..]; 1496 <u>Nov.</u> 7; 1497 <u>Mar.</u> 31;	Mich. term; Mich. term; Hock term;	Top gone. Conjectured year, as only name of term is left.
<u>Rotulet 6-6d</u>	1497 <u>Nov.</u> [..]	Mich. term.	Day lost. <u>Appears</u> to run on to dorse, inverted.
<u>Rotulet 6d</u>	1498 <u>Oct.</u> [ ]; 1499 <u>Oct.</u> 8.	Mich. term; Mich. term.	Day of month left blank.
<u>Rotulet 7-7d</u>	1534 <u>Oct.</u> 9.	View of Frankpledge with Court. May be a draft: hasty writing, no headings after Essoins. Dorse has only an incomplete Admission, unheaded.	[1540: 63/141.]
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1541 <u>May</u> 18.	Court of ds. Robert Aldrydge provost of EC. Before mag. John Patmere [bursar, interlined] and William Hanley [registrar], steward.	Nibbled down lower left without loss of text.
<u>Rotulet 8d</u>	blank		

63/140. Parchment, 1 m. Stained at each turn of roll; some holes. Same form of courts as in /139.

<u>Front</u>	1454 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Mich. term;
	1455 <u>Apr.</u> 15;	Hock term; <u>runs on to</u>
<u>Dorse</u>	1455 <u>Oct.</u> 15.	Mich. term.



63/141. Parchment, 1 m. BADLY DAMAGED. Part of top including heading and left edge nibbled away. Holes through patches of old damp. Now rerolled upside-down to protect top. Dorse blank.

Front 1540 Oct. [...] [Court; and View?] of ds. Robert Aldrydge provost. Before mag. [John] Patmore, fellow, and William Hanley, steward there.

[Cf. heading of /139 r8.]

\* \* Only '...on' survives at top left. Identified as POVINGTON from place-name. First entry has heriot of a copyholder in BLACKMANSTON. Three estrays and two admissions follow.

[BLACKMANSTON Farm, and LUTTON, in Steeple parish, formerly in Tyneham parish as parcels of Povington manor. EPNS Dorset i.96,97,101.]

63/142. 1454 Jan. 24. POVINGTON with members. Rental and Extent.

By William Okeden, receiver of EC, on information of William True, one of the tenants there.

Parchment, 1 m; upper part faded.

POVINGTON (William Chelwell farmer of demesne lands; seven other tenants in twelve tens.);

WHITEWAY (John True; two tens.);

LUTTON (William Trewe, third of three tenants, farmer of manor and demesne lands and of a meadow enclosed called Goldhord belonging to Bec);

(Bek: William Piper, yearly farmer of demesne lands);

BLACKMANSTON (William Piper for four tens. with land, and one meadow called Bekemedede; three other tenants in eight tens.);

MILBORNE BEC, CHARLTON [MARSHALL] and WAREHAM:

Richard Moreton farmer there [MILBORNE] for capital ten. and demesne lands; and rent to the old castle; and one virgate of land in TURNWORTH;

John Pleyer for one ten., certis lands and meadows and pastures in CHARLTON PARVA;

The prior of the Carthusian house of SHEEN for quitrent from his mill of WAREHAM. (52s.)

The whole extended at £ 26. 11. 3.

From that, paid out (resolut') to the foresters of PURBECK for their custom[ary payment] called Methomes: from POVINGTON, 25s.; from LUTTON, 1q.5bz. corn; yearly.

The rent roll of 1454, 61/RR/A/87 r2, explains some of the entries in this rental.

(Computus of William True, rent-collector and farmer).

Rents of assize in POVINGTON, WHITEWAY, LUTTON, BLACKMANSTON, CHARLTON PARVA.

And 50s. quitrent of one water-mill called le Northmyll in WAREHAM of the prior of ... SHEEN: nothing, because it is granted to William Okeden with his farm of DAMARISCOURT in BLANDFORD if he can recover. [DAMARISCOURT in /RR/A/87 r1; nothing of the North Mill in Wareham there. See VCH Dorset ii.122, in Wareham priory formerly of Lire, granted after the suppression in 1414 to Sheen by its founder Henry V. For separate court rolls of DAMARISCOURT, 63/53,54, see above: p.25 s.v. BLANDFORD.]

Farm of demesne lands POVINGTON manor; LUTTON manor; (Bekke) demesne; MILBORNE BEC with a virgate of land in TURNWORTH; [blank]a. meadow in HOLME meadow.

'The old castle' does not appear in RR/A/87. But see EPNS Dorset i.3: the whole Isle of Purbeck was a warren of the k. and pertained to CORFE [Wareham] Castle.

Allowance of rent includes the explanation of the customary rent; /RR/A/87 is defective here; consult the 1457 roll, /RR/B/5 r3d.

63/142, text note contd/

Rent resolute to the duke of Somerset's foresters in PURBECK, of an ancient custom called lez metehomes, owed them of old as they say out of the manor of POVINGTON quousque melius inquiratur -

That is, one day in every week: one dinner for three men and five dogs etc. (Prandium 1454; repast or dinner [transl.], 1457.)

In the 1457 rent roll, Rents of assize, BLACKMANSTON including CHARLTON PARVA, cf. 1454, noted as a separate farm to Thomas Grundeswell and shown 'earlier in the account'.

This is r2 of /RR/B/5 (same as in RR/A/87 r1-1d although not split off in EC's first year of ownership): STURMINSTER MARSHALL with CHARLTON PARVA. John Faber is the farmer in the heading, farming the rectory of STURMINSTER M. Thomas Grundeswell has 100s. yearly separate farm of the manor of CHARLTON PARVA [in CHARLTON MARSHALL].

EC's lands in CHARLTON MARSHALL came implicitly with STURMINSTER M. by 1441 E: Rot. Parl. v.48b. By 1457 the parcel of POVINGTON manor lands appears to be added to the manor. After POVINGTON went to the Crown in 1547, the manor of Charlton Parva was separated from Sturminster Marshall (which was however not lost in 1547) and is made part of grants of leases of the manor of PIDDLEHINTON. See EPNS Dorset ii.12; ECR 60/LB/3 (Lease Book 1556-1590), fos.90r-91r and 93v-94v. The first is an unexecuted draft, 1568 Apr. 1; all the moiety or halfendele of the manor of CHARLTON is added to the manor of Piddlehinton. The second, 1568 Oct. 15, is of all the manor of Piddlehinton and all [EC's] manor of LITTLE CHARLTON, except advowson of Piddlehinton and the impropriate parsonage or prebend of STURMINSTER MARSHALL.

The byname PARVA is established by 1447 to distinguish the Dorset Charlton from the Wiltshire CHARLTON by Upavon, C. magna in EC's accounts. (Wrapper of Wilts/Dorset/Somerset rent roll 1447, 61/RR/A/43; r3 of the roll has C. parva; r5d [plain] C., Wilts. The bynames are firmly fixed by 1449: audit roll, 61/AR/A/4 m2 in Rentale; bursars' indenture 61/BI/A/1/B m2d.

Reverting to 63/142: the text appears to be all in the hand of David Whitchurch and not William Okeden's (which is still not conclusively attributed to him in rent rolls or rentals 1449-59†).

Endorsements:

[Contemporary] Povinton cum membris Rentale cum Ext'  
 [The C16/17 endorser of rentals] Lodington [sic] Rental H.6.  
 [Business hand temp. Hen.8?] Rentale de Povyngton  
 [Secretary hand temp. Edw.6?] the kynges hathe bie exchange.

63/143. [1460 Sept. 1 - 1461 Mar. 4] Rental with Extent.

Parchment, 1 m. Extensive damage; about half text lost from top to bottom. Repaired in style of BM when c/o J.P. Gilson [?].

\* \* Heading, translated, supplies regnal year alone for date:

POVINGTON with members. Rental there according to what it was in 39 Hen.6, that is:

POVINGTON and WHITEWAY; John <sup>T</sup>rue, cf. 63/142, named first  
 LUTTON [fragment only made out]; farm  
 BLACKMANSTON centred heading;  
 TURNWORTH.

The whole extended at £ 23. 17.  $5\frac{1}{2}$ .

\* \* Nothing seen of CHARLTON PARVA; the WAREHAM quitrent; or the foresters' customary payment of lez metehomes.

Dorse Rental' de [C15]; p.n. and regnal year [Gilson's hand]  
 Probably all in Whitchurch's hand; heading implies state before the resumption in 1461.

(West) Preston manor in Beddingham, Sussex

A.m. BEC/OGBOURNE

English Lands, p.143; VCH Sussex ii.46; EPNS vii (Sussex ii,  
Cambridge 1930), 357,358.

Acquired 1441 E. Rot.Parl. v.48b.

Farm and rent of £23.16.4. due yearly to the k. from Roger Fenys kt, treasurer of the k.'s household; for the manors of HOOE and (West) PRESTON, with appurts., in Sussex; granted him for life by the k. Reversion to EC.

Duke Humphrey's Annuity ECR 61 Appendix C, p.95.

Rent rolls 1443 61/RR/A/7  
until  
1461 /RR/C/7.

Resumed 1461 ECR 61 Appendix D p.104.

\*\* For separate rolls of HOOE, 63/117,118, see pp.128-9 above.

63/144,145: Courts 1339-40/1413-22. 63/146, Compotus 1352 (BADLY DAMAGED). 63/147: Rental renewed, 1449. 63/138/A,B: Extent (with paper draft and draft of Court) 1449.

63/144. Courts 1339-40.

Parchment; 1 m. Pair of stab-holes at head.

Front-  
Dorse 1339 Nov. 16; Court [at Preston];

Dorse 1340 June 21. Court.

\*\* No lord or steward named. Mag. Richard Mayel appears in both Courts as plaintiff in actions of trespass. Last entry in the Court of 1340: the whole homage give the lord for recognition 26s.8d [whole sum of Court: 28s.]

Endorsed [upside-down at top, rough late C15 hand: place-name and regnal years.]

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63/145. Courts 1413-1422.

Parchment; 9 rs filed through stab-holes at top centre. Some stains and fading; rs2-4 nibbled at left; foot of r4 faded and crumpled.

Chronological order from front. All are half-yearly law courts (Curia legalis ibidem), without explicit View of Frankpledge, of Hockday and Michaelmas terms: listed simply as 'Hockday term', 'Mich. term.'

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1413 <u>Apr.</u> 25;	Hockday term;
	1413 <u>Dec.</u> 5.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1414 <u>May</u> 3;	Hockday term;
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1414 <u>Oct.</u> 30;	Mich. term;
	1415 <u>June</u> 4;	Hockday term;
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	1415 <u>Sept.</u> 13.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1416 <u>May</u> 14;	Hockday term;
	1416 <u>Sept.</u> 23.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 3d</u>	1417 <u>May</u> 4;	Hockday term;
<u>Rotulet 4</u>	1417 <u>Oct.</u> 26;	Mich. term;
	1418 <u>May</u> 10;	Hockday term;
<u>Rotulet 4d</u>	1418 <u>Sept.</u> 26.	Mich. term.

Rotulet 5 ...

63/145 contd/

<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1419 <u>May</u> 30.	Hockday term.
<u>Rotulet 5d</u>	blank	
<u>Rotulet 6-6d</u>	1419 <u>Sept.</u> 26.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 6d</u>	[1421 <u>Mar.</u> 29	Hockday term: cancelled VACAT. Cf. r8.]
<u>Rotulet 7</u>	1420 <u>May</u> 7;	Hockday term;
<u>Rotulet 7d</u>	1420 <u>Oct.</u> 22.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1421 <u>Mar.</u> 29;	Hockday term;
<u>Rotulet 8d</u>	1421 <u>Oct.</u> 22.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 9-9d</u>	1422 <u>May</u> 15.	Hockday term.

Endorsed, foot of r1d: [C15/16] Cur' tent' Prestoñ

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63/146. 1352 Computus of John Strodman, reeve of Preston.

Parchment; 3 ms. BADLY DAMAGED. (Found rolled inside-out and kept so for better protection until repaired.)

Top of m1 stained. Much of right-hand side nibbled away with extensive loss of text. Several tituli gone from dorse. [The PRESTON custumal, Select Docs. pp.85-6, may supply some gaps, allowing for changed names of tenants or occupiers.] On the front, the total for each titulus is summed in left margin below it: given here as cues to the economy of the manor until the roll can be safely used.

Membrane 1 [Heading date: Mich. 25 to Mich. 26 Edw.3]

Rents 27s.9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>d. Tenants at Martinmas ... and [Midsummer, lost]  
(two lines)

Outgoings of the manor 41s.3d. A third of three-line text lost.

Sales of stock £6.12.1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. A third of six lines lost.

Farm of mill(s) 10s. this year.

Sale of corn £34.12.6. Six lines of text.

Farm of dairy produce 30s. this year.

Sale of works 6s.9d. Malt (2s.6d.), carriage of wood and ...  
(one line)

Foreign receipts £13.16s. : £12.13.4. from tithes of GLYNDE sold this year (and some, much smaller, receipts from sales of bowls and little things).

TOTAL RECEIPTS in margin: £61.15s. [Cf. balance below, after Cash delivery]

\* \* GLYNDE tithes. The church (dioc. Canterbury, exempt deanery of South Malling) with all appurts, appropriated to Bec C12, normally leased: English Lands, p.143. Glynde church's tithes, average value 25 marks yearly, are in RUISLIP custumal: Select Docs., p.81.

Resolute rents 14s.10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. To mag. Fastolf for small tithes, 6s.; to John Waleis for rent, 6s.8d.; .../ MALLING 6s.8d. for visitation of GLYNDE church; 2s.; Cardinall' 13<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. for GLYNDE church for proctors of Canterbury/ and for Courts of PRESTON, 11d.

\* \* Select Docs. p.1 n.1: the monks of Bec were to pay a canon of [South] Malling for proxies, 2s. yearly, in Charter I (1148 x 1154): a commuted sum paid by the parochial clergy instead of maintaining their ecclesiastical visitor and attendants. I read procuratoribus, on two lines, with fair confidence, but cannot account for the two sums' difference from this 2s.

Allowance of rent ...



63/146, Membrane 1 contd/

Rent allowed  $2s.5\frac{1}{4}d.$  of Richard Mayheu, [shep-]reeve, by custom

Cost of cartage  $31s.3\frac{1}{2}d.$  Three and a half lines

Cost of folding (fald')  $8s.8\frac{1}{2}d.$  Nearly four lines

Cost of buildings  $27s.9\frac{1}{2}d.$  Nearly nine lines, ending with 4 days' work at GLYNDE parsonage barn (grangium), 16d.

Necessary expenses 25s.1d. Nearly eight lines

Purchase of stock 70s.; 2 oxen, 32s.; 2 oxen, 38s.

Threshing and winnowing 22s.4d. Two and one-third lines

Membrane 2

Weeding and mowing 15s.1d. (Le platte, Estwyshe and Westwyshe are field-names made out)

Autumn [works] 70s.3d. Eight lines end with a gift to the reep-reeve of ds. John Waleis, 2s.

Wages £8.15.4. Four lines and a bit begin with 1 drover, from Christmas to Hocktide [12 May struck through], for 31 weeks, 15s.6d.

\* \* 21 weeks, Sat. to Sat., makes sense as counted from Christmas 1351 to 12 May 1352; a redundant 'x' in the account would explain the otherwise impossible number.

Stipends 49s.2d. 2 carters for the year, 14s.; 2 drovers [the same]; 1 drover in .../... 5s.; 1 swineherd, 3s.; 1 boy looking after lambs .../ the clerk for making his account, 6s.8d.

Foreign Expenses 6s.8d. The reeve's expenses to and from RUISLIP, three times.

Cash Delivery £50 to the lord, by 3 tallies.

[Total sum in left margin. Expenses and Delivery, £76.11.3 $\frac{1}{4}$ ;

'and so expenses exceed receipts by £14.16.3 $\frac{1}{4}$ ']

Rest of m2 and whole of (shorter) m3 are blank.

Membranes 1d-3d have no centred headings. Most side-lines gone.

[Exitus grangie and stock account.] Too much is lost for useful summary before repair; later study will reveal crops and state of land, m1d; customary works of cottars and others, m2d; livestock, ms 2d-3d with sale of skins and wool and dead stock.

Endorsed in box at buried foot of m3d, in the clerk's hand:

Preston Comp'

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63/147. 1449 Nov. 13. Rental renewed (draft).

Paper. 2 fos. sewn head to tail; folding half-sheet sewn to right of fo.1 and upper fo.2. Fragment of paper above right of fo.1 with loose threads across top. Paper docket sewn to lower left of fo.2. Tattered at top, with vertical tear starting down first ruled column; and lower right fo.2: text of total sum and note below it lost.

In Whitchurch's hand. Heading with date and column heads of term-days carefully written; names of tenants and tenures are rougher, with many corrections. [Rent rolls before and after 1449 do not cite any old or renewed rental.]

NB same date as Extent and draft, and draft Court, next in list. In heading of rental, 'on oath of ...' is not filled in. In margin at left of tenants' names, 'cognovit' and 'fecit fidelitatem' are added in rough hand.

The half-sheet ...

63/147 contd/

The half-sheet adds four columns of customary works to the five on the main part (commuted except for Christmas and Easter fowls and eggs), to the right of rent days, Martinmas and Midsummer.

The docket is in another contemporary hand: Preston rental 28 Hen.6. Seventeen entries of virgaters and half-virgaters, total £9.8.3.

The column headings at right of the rent days, on fos.1,2 and the half-sheet, are:

Winter and summer ploughing; dung-carting called sourtyng; malting; mowing the meadows; autumn works; boon works; carting hay and corn; washing and shearing sheep; threshing and winnowing.

On folio 2 below end of tenants' list, Whitchurch has centred the rents and works in column. Although his total at right is lost, it can be reconstructed: TOTAL £14.8.9 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Of this, Martinmas rents are 40s.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ d., '1 . . .

Midsummer rents are 29s.1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

[Cf. the PRESTON custumal, Select Docs. pp.85-6.]

Folio 2d [Draft] 1449 Nov. 13. View of Frankpledge with Court.

The lord is presented for his defective ditch at (Horsebrygge) and watercourse ... le Rytthe (Rytche?);

The lord of this manor is accustomed and by right ought to pay to BEDDINGHAM church two wax tapers at Christmas, for all demesne tithes, [ultra 3a. specified] of the vicar's; and he ought to pay 6s.8d. at Mich. yearly rent ... [loss at edge]. To consult the lord etc.

After these first two presentments, others follow, with admissions and a payment of chevage. Only half the sheet used. In Whitchurch's hand but he is not named as steward.

For the vicar of BEDDINGHAM's corn and hay tithes from 3a. see /148.

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63/148/A,B. 1449 Nov. 13. Extent of the manor (with draft).

A: parchment, 1 m. PRESTON BEC. Extent of the manor there by view of David Whitchurch and information of the homage.

Begins with site of manor: buildings and furlong-names. [As EPNS Sussex ii, 357, 358, omits minor place-names, the manor croft called (le Courtgardyn) and f.n.s. in the twenty-three lines may be useful for extending or revising the volume. I have not set out to give them here.]

The last two lines give a reference back to the court roll above, 147 fo.2d. (B, the draft, is clearer here):

Item, tithes of sheaves and hay of the whole demesne lands and meadows, beyond the crop (vesturam, interlined) of 1a. wheat, 1a. barley and 1a. oats; due by custom and by right to the vicar of BEDDINGHAM and payable to him yearly, [value lost in defect in B].

A has the three acres to be sown every year and delivered [sc. the crop?] to the vicar. Here, all tithe land is valued at 40s.

<u>A</u> totals: acres of land 162		
meadow 14	braced, and priced by estimation:	
dry pasture 20		<u>£13.18.2.</u>
pasture for 400 sheep		
rents and works		<u>£10.8.9<math>\frac{1}{4}</math>.</u>

The whole manor extended at £24.6.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ .

A endorsed in the unknown C16 hand: Extent' manerii de Preston Bek.

B, the paper draft in Whitchurch's hand like the fair copy, is defective and fragile; found (and kept) loosely rolled within A. Upper right half torn away; foot tattered and worn. Most of heading and much detail of f.n.s. lost.

QUARLEY manor, Hampshire A.m. BEC/OGBOURNE  
(English Lands, p.149)

Acquired 1451 Apr. 2. LP: CPR 1446-1452, 423.

Grant in frankalmoin to EC of the manors of (East) CHISENBURY, Wilts., and QUARLEY, Hants; late parcels of OGBOURNE priory and sometime of the alien abbey of BEC HELLOUIN; from 6 Nov. 1450.

\* \* ECR 2/132, LP 1451 June 22, includes these manors with the grant of POVINGTON and members: p.162 above. CPR ibid., 417: 1451 Mar. 20. The copy of the grant of (East) Chisenbury and Quarley in ECR 39/108, [art.3.6], omits dates of grant and beginning of EC's tenure.

Before the manors came to EC, the issues from them were part of

Duke Humphrey's Annuity ECR 61 Appendix C p.94.

Rent rolls 1451 61/RR/A/68  
until  
1454 /RR/A/87;  
then only  
1461 /RR/C/5. See endnote.

Resumed (with Chisenbury) 1461. ECR 61 Appendix D p.106.

For separate rolls of CHISENBURY, 63/56-59, see p.28 above.

63/149. Courts 1452 x 1458

Parchment; 3 rs, with parchment docket of sealed Inquisition filed between tops of r2 and r3. All rotulets damaged; repaired presumably when in care of J.P. Gilson at the British Museum.

All but the first are law courts (Curia legalis) of Hockday or Michaelmas terms: given here simply as 'Hockday term' or Mich. term'. The first of those adds a View of frankpledge, not explicit in the rest; several headings are defective.

Rotulet 1 1452 Mon. Dec. 11. View of Frankpledge with Court.

[No steward named, but I assume David Whitchurch, who wrote this rotulet.]

\* \* In every court save the first on r3, Tolcestr' in margin and in sums of proceeds of courts relates to Richard Sevensterre. Besides being in mercy, 6d. as a rule, for breaking the assize of ale, he pays 2d. for 'the ancient custom called tolcestr'.'

OED: Tolsester, referred from Tolcester: toll or duty of a sester of ale, formerly payable in some manors to the lord for licence to brew and sell ale.

In the court of 1457, second on r3, Robert Meyre also pays 2d. for the custom.

Rotulet 1d blank; except for headline in Whitchurch's hand [roll of court with view 31 Hen.6]. This supplies the date of r1, where regnal year at top right has only 'xx...' and 'mo' left.

Rotulet 2 1454 Wed. July 3. Hockday term, with View.

Two-thirds down, side-line Attach' per corpus pro feloniam, below a panel of twelve jurors, repeats the text of the docket filed between r2 and r3.

\* \* Inquisition taken at Quarley before William Okeden, steward [of this manorial court of EC, and at that date EC's receiver], 1454 July 3, on oath of:

Thomas Bayly; Thomas Halle; John Gradeley; Edward Wyllughby [Wylby in the docket]; Richard Sevensterre; Nicholas Beaufitz; John Sprakelyng; John Sparfeld; Robert Phelpes; John True; William Colley; Richard Prince.

63/149, r2 Inquisition contd/

Edmund Wattes of Newton Tony, Wilts., husbandman, forcibly entered the lordship of Quarley in the night of 21 Oct. 1453, against the king's peace; and stole from the sheepfold of Nicholas Beaufitz, [EC's] farmer:

66 sheep worth 14d. each, of goods and chattels of Martin de Lake;  
9 sheep of same value, from John Dollyng;  
7 sheep of same value from Nicholas Beaufitz.

Wattes there and then found in theft feloniously took and drove away the sheep.

The inquisition ends here with note of jurors' alternate sealing. Small blobs of wax remain on the two narrow strips cut at foot of docket (whose dorse is blank). The text of the court continues on r2, with the formula for Wattes' attachment by his body to answer to the k. at the next [assize].

Sideline Attach' and this part of the action recur in every subsequent court.

[1455]

<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	1456 <u>Jan.</u> 28.	Mich. term. (Reads up from foot).
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1456 <u>May</u> 22.	Hockday term.
	1457 <u>Oct.</u> 28.	Mich. term.
<u>Rotulet 3d</u>	1458 <u>May</u> 23.	Hockday term.

Although William Okeden is not named as EC's steward in any court on rs 2 and 3, I am fairly confident that these rotulets - and the docket of the inquisition which does name him - are in his hand.

\* \* \* The 1461 rent roll. It was mortifying to find after checking early rent rolls that I had omitted the first compotus on r1 of 61/RR/C/5 from the list, in ECR 61 at p.40. Quarley is now interlined in the Hampshire estates there and a new page-reference added in the index. For the missing years' rent rolls, bursars' indentures 61/BI/1-4, 13/14 1457-1460, include receipts from QUARLEY.

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[63/150,151] RADNAGE manor, Bucks.

Member of GROVEBURY; see pp.107-08 above, For Acquisition and Resumption, see headnote to Grovebury at p.107.

<u>Rent rolls</u>	1447,1448	61/RR/A/35,44: with Beds. and Bucks. members of Grovebury; then from
	1449	RR/A/50
		until
	1460	RR/B/17, separately enrolled with Bucks. estates.

Courts 1449,1450.

63/150. 1449 Dec. 17. View of Frankpledge with Court.

Parchment, 1 m. File-tie of thin twisted parchment still knotted through stab-holes at top centre. Dorse unused.

The View has only three entries. The first is of 12d. certum fine given to the lord at this day. (Cf. fuller entry in /151 below.)

'Little Court' (Parva curia) follows, below centred heading. The principal business at this Court and in /151 justify abridgement as an endnote to demonstrate customs of the manor.

In Whitchurch's hand; he presumably acted as steward, but left blank the steward's expenses 'at Wycombe'. Sum of View, 5s.5d. (noted because part of sum endorsed on /151). [A Court at BLEDLOW, 1449 Dec. 15, in Whitchurch's hand, suits this context: ECR 7/123 [r19].]

Endorsed (faded contemporary hand), [Radnage court roll 28 Hen.6.]

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63/151 ...



63/151. 1450 July 22. View of Frankpledge with Court.

Parchment, 1 m. Top tattered and brittle. Perhaps torn away from filing holes, which could match those on 63/150. Heading and upper text badly faded; just readable without ultraviolet lamp. Patchy damp-stains. Dorse unused.

The only entry in the View is the payment of 12d. cert money which the tithingman and his sworn tithing give to the lord, for release from suit of court at LEIGHTON BUZZARD. This certum exempting the suitors from court at the caput of [the {honor} of] Grovebury or Leighton Buzzard explains the same payment in 63/150's View, p.171.

'Little Court' follows: for its principal business, see note below.

This roll is probably in William Okeden's hand; text at the foot is in blacker ink and written more formally than the rest. No steward is named in heading, or at foot (no expenses claimed). Sum of View, 16s.6d.

Endorsed [two C15 hands and one C16: place-name, roll of court and 'sum of two preceding Views 21s.11d. of which 12d. is cert and steward's expenses 12d.' This note is in the upright hand seen in early account rolls in ECR 61, not yet identified. It is more angular than Okeden's.]

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From the Little Courts of 1449 and 1450: abridged translation with the marginal notes copied as they stand.

[63/150]

Claus' extrem' John Est, who held of the lord by custom of the  
Heriot pris' 4s. manor 1 messuage and 2 virgates of land with ap-  
purts. called Ederiches, is dead and died seised.

Heriot, 1 horse priced at 4s., paid.

By custom of the manor Joan his wife shall have Ederiches for life if she remains sole, chaste and a widow. Nicholas her son is her nearest heir.

But the sworn homage say that John Est's last will (voluntas) was that after Joan's death, Ederiches, likewise 1 close called Priorsclose, were to remain to his son William if he lived so long. The rector of Radnage also testified to that, openly before all in full Court. Nonetheless, the rector and Joan are to show at the next Court their evidences by which Nicholas is to be put out and William admitted, etc.

[63/151]

Finis pro dote 2s. John Est's widow Joan, after the last Court, married  
Distr' pro fidel' Thomas Amyott of Missenden without licence or fine  
made with the lord. She is therefore excluded in  
respect (quantum) of the claim she has or should  
have to two parts of Ederiches.

Joan now asks to be admitted to her dower; she asks nothing of Priorsclose. She is admitted to one-third of Ederiches, to hold for herself and hers (et suis) according to custom of the manor, for her life; by rent and services due and accustomed.

She gives 2s. entry fine to the lord; seisin is delivered to her by the virge. But because her husband has not yet done fealty, the bailiff is ordered to distraint him to the next Court.

Finis 13s.4d. Nicholas Est asks to be admitted to two-thirds of  
Rem' Ederiches, of which his father John died seised as  
Exit' appears in the preceding Court. Because neither Joan,  
his father's widow, nor his brother William, brought  
any evidences to the contrary in this business, although ordered to by  
the last Court:

Nicholas is admitted to two-thirds of Ederiches, to be divided into three; and to reversion of the third part after Joan's death. Without  
Priorsclose, which Nicholas in this Court has refused to hold.

N. gives 13s.4d. entry fine into the two-thirds of Ederiches and for reversion of the dower. Seisin is delivered to him by the virge, and he does fealty.

Priorsclose, refused by Nicholas Est, therefore remains in the lord's hand until etc. The bailiff is instructed to receive the outgoings until otherwise ordered (habuerit in mandatis) etc.

## §

## STANWELL, Middlesex

EC had three estates: the first from 1449, but title was disputed; and it was not secured until 1457. The second and third, enrolled together although in different manors, were acquired in 1459-60. See under (2) below.

(1) RUDSWORTH [Farm] in Rudsworth manor. VCH Middlesex iii.40,41. It first appears in ECR as 'Rawlyn atte Milles', or 'Mulles' alias Rudsworth.

Acquired 1449 June 11. ECR 37/70. (Private conveyance.)

Grant by Hugh Dyer and others to mag. William Westbury, provost, and EC:

All lands and tens. in STANWELL [and adjacent parish of HORTON, Bucks.]; which grantors had, with John Norton decd, by grant of John Stokes and others by charter of 1438 Nov. 20.

(That is ECR 37/67. Title can be traced back from it.)

Title disputed. 1454 June 3. Exemplification of assize of novel disseisin.

Ralph Butler (Boteler) kt lord Sudeley, John Gargrave esq, and others, plaintiffs; Richard Burton and others, defendants; Easter 32 Hen.6.

Burton held the estate for the provost at the time of the assize; Gargrave is the first named defendant in the related record, 63/152, calendared below.

Plaintiffs claim different descent of proprietors in which provost Westbury is not named.

Judgement in this respect for plaintiffs. The exemplification is ECR 34/192. Mr Blakiston cited PRO [Court of Common Pleas: Plea Rolls] CP 40/773 rot.127.

[Plaintiffs held lands granted by Edward Norfolk, son and heir of John Norfolk; his lands and tens. called Raulyn atte Mylles in Stanwell, and Horton. This title can be traced back through ECR 37/73, 1453 May 20, to 37/60, 1430 Easter, final concord. Generations of the atte Mille family may go back to C13/late C12: ECR 37 index.]

After Westbury secured his title as recorded below in 63/152:

ECR 37/76: 1457 Hil., final concord (right-hand indenture).

William Westbury, plaintiff: Edward Norfolk and others, deforciant. Messuage and lands (detailed) in Stanwell. Consideration £50.

(ECR 35/181, 37/77: receipts by Richard Burton from Westbury. 1457 Jan. 28, £50 silver in part payment for [these] lands and tens. to be bought; 1458 Feb. 24, £16.13.4 in full payment of 100 marks for certain lands and tens. late of Ralph at Mylle in Stanwell.)

Second grant 1458 June 20. ECR 37/78.

Westbury to mag. Thomas Barker and mag. Thomas Bonere, clerks [Fellows of EC], Richard Profyt and David Whitchurch [provisor and clerk of accounts respectively]: all his lands and tens. in Stanwell and Horton, which he had by (37/70) and afterwards by quitclaim by fine (37/76).

[Barker and Bonere quitclaimed their interest to Profyt and Whitchurch, who re-enfeoffed Westbury, 1458 July 1: 37/81. Westbury and EC appointed Richard Fuller of Rudsworth their attorney to take seisin, 1458 July 18: 37/82.

Fuller was EC's farmer of Rudsworth after the second grant. His lease, 1457 Mar. 25, is cited in first extant rent roll, 61/RR/C/1 r1/2d (1461). Engrossment of lease by indenture not seen in 60/LB/1; but he pays his first half-year's rent in 1457: 61/BI/B/1 r2d.]

Rent roll 1461 see immediately above.

- (2) CALYS in Hammonds or Shepcotts manor, in STANWELL;  
COLYNS in Fawnes manor in EAST BEDFONT. (West Bedfont  
in 1461 rent roll.)

VCH Middlesex iii.40 for Hammonds; ii.312 for Fawnes 'so called as a separate manor within the manor of East Bedfont'.

Acquired 1459-60. I have not found document of title; but there is a second farmer paying rents for both, in the Lady Day to Mich. term.

Bursars' indentures from 1457 to 1459 (61/BI/B/1-3) show only Richard Fuller, named on p.173, against STANWELL. Indentures of 1460, 61/BI/B/4/A,B have (in translation, keeping the marker-numbers after terms' receipts):

Richard Fuller, 28 Dec., by own hands, 23s.4d. 2 Richard Fuller farmer of Rudsworth, on Passion Sunday [30 Mar.], 31s.4d. John Stephenes, farmer of ten. of Caleys, [30 Mar.], 13s.4d. 3 4

(/A,B both on m2d; tallying, with a trivial error silently corrected.)

Rent roll 1461 61/RR/C/1 r1/2d gives Stephenes's farm as:

83s.4d., 1 ten. called Schepcote alias Calys in Stanwell parish [40s., interlined]; and of the other (alterius) ten. called Colyns in West Bedfont, [13s.4d., interlined]. Also 4d. from farm of Thomas Palmer and Margaret his wife for 1 messuage in Stanwell called Grosses with 2 crofts of land, leased to them from Mich. 1459 for term of lives.

(Resolute rents include: 6s.8d. yearly to the lord of Stanwell, for lands called Colyns in Bedfont; and to the lady of (Manfeld) for lands taken on lease (locatis) from her and belonging to her manor of Hammonds.

In 1462, 61/RR/C/2/A, dorse:

Richard Fuller farms 'Mulle's', leased to him LD 1457, 7 years, this the fifth and a half, 66s.8d.

Robert Orchard replaces Stephenes as the other farmer: 26s.8d., for 2 tens. with appurts. in Stanwell and West Bedfont, lease by indenture from EC to him beginning this year, for six years. [Not engrossed in 60/LB/1.] The Palmers' lease continues.

(Resolute rents now include: 6s.4d. to the lord of Stanwell for ten. called Fownes [struck through] Colyns and 16a. land appurt. And to lady Manfeld for farm of land belonging to her manor of Hammonds, 2s.8d.

Stephenes's rent of 13s.4d. for a half-year to Mich. 1460 thus appears from the rent roll of 1462 to be for Calys and Colyns or Fawnes; although the indenture of 1460 specified Calys (from which 20s. should have been due for half a year according to the rent roll of 1461).

\* \* STANWELL was unaccountably omitted from the rent roll of 1463: it is in 61/RR/C/7 r11d. Place-name to be added, ECR 61 p.41, to list of RR/C/7 on line after 'Underore'. [Berks., lost manor by New Windsor.]

63/152. Exemplification of assize of novel disseisin,  
1454-56.

Parchment, 3 ms. Top of m1 tattered and nibbled; no text lost. Text runs on to m3d, all in one hand. Copy of original writ in bolder legal hand lower down on m1d.

\* \* Abridgement translated. The assize, like ECR 34/192, clearly turns on confusion between separate parts of estates followed in grants in ECR 37.

I have altered spelling of surnames in the record to conform with ECR 37 for easier reference; and add an endnote on three presumed clerks of Chancery who were parties in previous grants. References to deeds in ECR 37 are underlined for emphasis and easier collation. The originating writ is given first.

Membrane 1d ...



Membrane 1d Originating Writ, Assize of Novel Disseisin, to the sheriff of Middlesex, 1454 Nov. 26. Return by 1455 Jan. 25 [Sat. after octave of Hilary next].

William Westbury clerk, provost of EC, querent, against

John Gargrave esq, Adam Levelord, John Amyas clerk, William Knight, and Edward Norfolk.

[Norfolk is grantor; Gargrave and others grantees - preceded by sir Ralph Butler (Boteler) lord Sudeley, in the deed dated at Stanwell, 1453 May 20, of all lands and tens. called Raulyn atte Mylles in Stanwell. This is ECR 37/73; cf. p.173 above and ECR 34/192.]

Membrane 1 Text heading: Middlesex, 1456 Easter, rot. 459; § Middlesex, as appears elsewhere in 1455 Hil., rot. 139.

Westbury appears by attorney William Morton: wrongful etc. disseisin of his freehold ten.: 1 messuage, 60a. land, 20a. meadow, 6a. pasture and 10a. wood, with appurts. Defendants did not appear, but one John Ingram answers as their bailiff. Several adjournments until 1456 Apr. 12/26 [Mon. after the month of Easter, sc. quindene or four weeks.]

\* \* CUE IN from this date, 5th line above 3rd crease in ml.

Edward Norfolk comes in person, respondent as holder of the tens. There should not be an assize between himself and Westbury.

[Protestations.]

John Stokes clerk and John Wandeburgh clerk were seised of those tens. in demesne as of fee, to use of Stokes;

John Norfolk, whose son and heir is Edward Norfolk, bought those tens. from Stokes for £100;

John Norfolk received the outgoings and profits from the tens. during his life, at will of Stokes and Wandeburgh; and he has died.

After John Norfolk's death, Edward assumed that John had died seised. He entered, disseised Stokes and Wandeburgh, and was seised. Stokes thereupon, by deed produced in Court by Edward Norfolk, quitclaims to Edward Norfolk all his right in lands and tens. called Rawlyn atte Milles which John Norfolk the elder bought from Stokes. The deed recited, dated at Stanwell, 1449 May 26, is ECR 37/69.

Membrane 2: [Protestations.]

Afterwards, Wandeburgh by deed produced in Court quitclaimed to Edward Norfolk all his right in lands and tens. sometime of Ralph atte Mille in Stanwell, and in Horton, Bucks.; which he lately had by feoffment from Thomas atte Mille, with John Stokes and John Stopyndon, clerks then deceased. The quitclaim is dated at Stanwell, 1453 May 18; it is ECR 37/72,

[The feoffment does not appear to be in ECR 37 or in other vols. of Middlesex, Bucks. or misc. deeds. But by deeds dated at Stanwell, 1435 Apr. 24 and May 2, Wandeburgh, Thomas atte Mille and others grant and quitclaim these tens. to John Stokes, Nicholas Wymbyssh, John Stopyndon and Thomas Morstede: ECR 37/64,66.

Those deeds are relevant here. The grant to Westbury, 1449 June 11, by Hugh Dyer, John Samson and William Samson, was of the lands and tens. in Stanwell (and Horton) which they had, together with John Norfolk decd, by grant of Stokes, Wymbyssh, Stopyndon and Morstede, ~~The deeds are ECR=97 /~~ 1435 Apr. 24: ECR 37/70,67; cited below.]

Edward Norfolk was accordingly seised until William Westbury claimed the tens., by colour of a demise to him for life by Stokes and Wandeburgh, made long before their quitclaims to Edward Norfolk.

[Westbury's claim: grant, not in form of demise for life, appears to be ECR 37/70 from date recited; by feoffees to uses in intervening grants of 1438 and 1435: ECR 37/67,64 - see above.]

One John Broun entered the ten.; Edward Norfolk entered and put him out. Thereupon Westbury brought his writ of assize against Edward Norfolk.

Gargrave and Amyas respond that they hold the tens., on such terms that Edward Norfolk and William Knyght [in the writ, above] do not both or either have anything in the estate, on the day of suing out of the

writ ...



Membrane 2: Protestations (contd)

writ of assize [1454 Nov. 26: top of p.175 above] or at any time thereafter. On that day Gargrave and Amyas held the tens. jointly with Adam Levelord named in the writ, by gift and feoffment of Edward Norfolk, to them and their heirs in perpetuity [1453 May 20: ECR 37/73]. Adam Levelord died after 1454 Nov. 26.

William Knyght says that he is sole tenant and was on 1454 Nov. 26: of the freehold of the tens. Edward Norfolk, Gargrave and Amyas neither had nor have, jointly or alone, anything in the estate. Knyght says that Westbury entered after 1454 Nov. 26 and is seised.

[Westbury's Replications.]

Westbury says that Edward Norfolk is sole tenant of the freehold and was on 1454 Nov. 26. Gargrave, Amyas, Knyght and Levelord neither had nor have any estate in it (as above).

As to the pleadings of Gargrave and others above, Westbury says that he need not reply and is not bound by the law of the land to reply. As to the pleadings of Edward Norfolk: Westbury says that he should not be precluded from having his assize against Norfolk by anything which Norfolk alleged above.

John Stokes kept a moiety of the whole of the tens. in the action; Norfolk pleaded Stokes's quitclaim to himself, in bar of assize.

Westbury says that long before Edward Norfolk had any estate in that moiety, Stokes was seised of it: and so seised, enfeoffed Hugh Dyer, John Sampson and William Sampson clerk. [For them see p.175 and ECR 37/67.] Afterwards John Sampson died seised; Dyer and William Sampson survived, and alone were seised of the moiety by right of joint tenancy in survivorship.

Dyer and William Sampson, thus seised, enfeoffed Westbury. [ECR 37/70 above.] By virtue of that feoffment Westbury was seised, until Gargrave, Levelord, Amyas, Knyght, and Edward Norfolk wrongfully disseised him, to the use of Norfolk: on such terms that Norfolk had no estate in the moiety as freeholder, at the time when John Stokes quitclaimed to him. [ECR 37/69, p.175 above.]

Membrane 3: [Westbury's Replications contd]

As to all the residue of the tens., to which Norfolk pleaded in bar of assize his quitclaim from Wandeburgh [ECR 37/72, p.175]: long before Edward Norfolk had any estate in the residue, Wandeburgh was seised: and so seised, enfeoffed Nicholas Wymbyssh clerk and Thomas Morstede, citizen and surgeon of London. [ECR 37/64, p.175; or a lost earlier feoffment, since 37/64 names other grantors and joins Wymbyssh and Morstede with John Stokes and John Stopyndon as grantees.] Their feoffment of Dyer and the Sampsons, thus to Westbury and his seisin, are recited anew; so is Westbury's disseisin by Gargrave and the others.

Upon that disseisin, Westbury brought the writ of remedy by assize against the defendants.

[Norfolk's Replications]

As to the moiety of the ten. which John Stokes kept, Norfolk was seised of it when Stokes quitclaimed to him [ECR 37/69] as he alleged in his pleadings above.

As to the residue, Norfolk was seised of it as he alleged above. [Wandeburgh's quitclaim, ECR 37/72, cited anew.] On such terms that Wandeburgh did not enfeoff Wymbyssh and Morstede before [1453 May 18] the date of the quitclaim, as Westbury alleged above.

Norfolk asks for judgement, and that Westbury may be precluded from assize with respect to the residue.

Westbury says that Wandeburgh enfeoffed Wymbyssh and Morstede of the residue before he quitclaimed to Norfolk. [Cf. dates of 37/64, 1435 Apr. 24, and 37/72, 1453 May 18, cited above]. Westbury asks that it may be inquired into on assize.

Edward Norfolk likewise asks for assize: to be taken on 1456 June 7.

Gargrave, Amyas, and Knyght pleaded above issues sufficient in law to quash the writ of assize: Westbury neither gave nor answered those. They ask for judgement and the quashing of the writ.

[After a ...

Membrane 3 contd/

[After a further adjournment]

On 1456 June 29 all parties came. The foreman of the panel of eight jurors was sworn. But some jurors found suspect within the panel were removed. No sureties of the remainder appeared from their Hundred in Court, etc. [Sentence runs on to]

Membrane 3d

[Further adjournments, the last to 1456 Oct. 15. Six jurors to be empanelled. Here the text breaks off.]

Although any further adjournments, and the judgement, are lost, the outcome of the assize may be inferred from ECR 37/76: the final concord summarized on p.173 in the headnote to Rudsworth.

Chancery clerks in Stanwell feoffments.

The name of Nicholas Wymbyssh was the first that struck me as familiar. Then in ECR 37/72, 1453 May 18, grantors to John Wamburgh clerk, late vicar of Stanwell, include 'John Stokes and John Stopyndon clerks, now deceased' (simul cum J.S. et J.S. clericis iam defunctis).

If this John Stokes is the one in BRUC 558ab and Appendix at p.683b - Emden saying that some of his appointments can be confused with those of his Oxford namesake and contemporary (BRUC 1781a-82a), then he could be the protonotary of Chancery in 1446, and canon and prebendary of Langford Ecclesia, Lincoln, vac. by 1449; date of death not given. (See also 'new' Le Neve, Fasti, 1300-1541 i.74.)

From ECR 37/72 we can now posit 'dead by May 1453'.

John Stopyndon, from index to CPR 1446-1452, noted as dead by Feb. 1451 (p.411).

The conjunction of the three names of known Chancery clerks acting as feoffees to uses - as they appear in effect from ECR's Stanwell deeds between 1435 and 1449 (37/64,70) with the mention in 37/72 that Stokes and Stopyndon are dead - appears to outweigh a chance trio of contemporary namesakes. The confusion between the John Stokeses of Oxford and Cambridge, as Emden warned, makes me unready to assert that the three feoffees were certainly colleagues in the office of the Chancery; but it is highly probable,

The date of Stokes's death may be useful for lists of Chancery clerks; and the group found in ECR may add to evidence of other clerks acting in the same capacity in other estates. (I have not attempted any systematic search in CPR volumes at hand.)

## §

[63/153]

STOKE ASH, Suffolk

Lands in Woodhall [in Brockford manor?]

Member of the manor of CREETING ST. MARY: 63/70-77, pp.48-53 above. But identified only in compoti of 1477 and 1479.

63/153. Compotus of Richard Turnor, collector of rents, 1479.

BADLY DAMAGED. Paper; 1 fo., tattered and defective; paper docket sewn at top left, intact but stained. Draft, carefully written with interlined corrections. Concluding tituli on dorse are in a second hand, much rougher and contemporary. Some stitch-holes at top are empty. Date in heading, Mich. 18 to Mich. 19 Edw.4.

Arrears [from lost 1478] 7 marks from Thomas Folkard.  
Rents of Assize has lost right ends of lines; Farm of land(s) has lost text, and is very fragile at foot.

Dorse: ...

63/153 contd/

Dorse: scraps of apparent Rents Resolute; Expenses and Allowances cite the annexure.

In Cash Delivery [translated]: 7 marks paid to Matilda [or Maud] Poley [my mother, struck through] my late father's wife; £3 to Henry Poley by the lord's order this year;

5 marks 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. paid at Badley and Stoke at various times; and 20s. to the prior of HOXNE.

Et Debet £6.14.[4.]

Superplus of Thomas Folkard, farmer: £6.14.4. Quit.

[This sum given in case the 1480 comptus is discovered.]

When drafting entries for ECR 63 I took 'Woodhall in Stoke' to be in Stoke Poges, Bucks.; but names of places and people made no sense in context. The remembered surname Poley showed Simon P., farmer of CREETING in the bursars' indenture of 1479 (ECR 61/BI/C/17 m2d).

H.N. Blakiston's ECR 32, 'Creeting, Suffolk' (typescript unpublished, 1952), has as 32/180:

Wodhalle in Stoke [Ash]; accounts of Richard Turnour, collector of rents, 1476-8 [recte 1477: 16-17 Edw.4 only; in rough copy, schedule annexed, and incomplete fair copy, filed as fos.1-3 of 8 paper fos. The others are compoti, 1477, of Creeting manor and two nearby members.]

ECR 32/181/A,B are two loose fos.: 1479 compoti of various members of Creeting. Both are folded flat and are in much better state than 63/153, the apparent stray (? ever filed) which cannot confidently be put with them and renumbered. ECR 32 and its typescript summary for an eventual Guide to ECR now have a note on the stray fo., at 32/180-181/A,B.

I posit the lands in Woodhall in the manor of Brockford and not in the manor of Woodhall in Stoke Ash, because neither comptus, 1477 nor 1479, has 'site of the manor of W.' in Rents of Assize or Farm; Rents Resolute in 1477 rough copy only, 32/180 fo.1, start with 17s.8d. paid to the manor of Brockford.

No filed or loose compoti of Creeting for 1478 appear in any ECR volume. The rent rolls, early and after the LP of 1462 confirming Creeting as not resumed, do not detail members of the manor farmed as an entity. Early rentals, 32/164 (1452) and /165 (copies, 1468 x 1603); and extracts of Creeting courts copied into the Evidence Book (1325/1399 x 1567: ECR 60/EB/B pp.685-730) do not appear to show Woodhall in Stoke Ash or admissions of tenants to the named lands.

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[63/154,  
155]

STUDHAM, Beds.

Member of GROVEBURY, Beds.; but not enrolled with the local tithings. See p.108 above in headnote to Grovebury, and for names and dates of lords in court rolls below, pp.112-22. For Grovebury's manor in Studham, see VCH Beds. iii.429b.

63/154.

Courts, 1301 x 1406.

Parchment; 8 rs filed through stab-holes at top centre. Rotulets are of different sizes, some with unused stab-holes. The file looks to have been made naphazardly; the few years recorded are quite out of chronological order. A large piece has been cut out of the foot of r6 below the text.

Rotulet 1 ...

63/154 contd/

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1390 <u>May</u> 5	Court.
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1406 <u>June</u> 7	Court of John Worschip.
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1324 <u>May</u> 31	Court.
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	blank	
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1323 <u>Oct.</u> 17	Court of the lady Mary, daughter of the illustrious king of England.
<u>Rotulet 3-3d</u>	1326 <u>Mar.</u> 1	Court of the lady Mary [as above].
<u>Rotulet 4</u>	1321 <u>May</u> 7; 1323 <u>Feb.</u> 12.	Courts of the lady Mary of Woodstock.
<u>Rotulet 4d</u>	blank	
<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1301 <u>Nov.</u> 21	Court of the lady Mary, keeper of GROVEBURY.
* * Dated: Tues., the morrow of St. Edmund, king, 30 Edw.1 <u>ab isto die usque</u> . [The second day of a new regnal year; the following court, six weeks later cf. next entry, is lost.]		
<u>Rotulet 5d</u>	1303 <u>Nov.</u> 18	Court of the lady Mary, daughter of the king.
* * Dated: Mon., the octave of St. Martin, 32 Edw.1, <u>ab isto die vj septimanas</u> . Martinmas fell on Monday in 1303; the octave was the penultimate day of 31 Edw.1. [Were it at the end of 32 Edw.1, 1304, Martinmas and its octave were on Wednesdays.]		
<u>Rotulet 6</u>	1329 <u>Dec.</u> 9	Court of the lady Mary, daughter of the illustrious king of England, of her manor of Studham.
<u>Rotulet 6d</u>	blank	
<u>Rotulet 7</u>	1371 <u>Apr.</u> 17;	Court of Walter Walssh, lord of GROVEBURY, held at Studham.
	1383 <u>Jan.</u> 23	Court. [No lord named; a single entry of a widow's ten., into the lord's hands.]
<u>Rotulet 7d</u>	blank	
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1308 <u>Mar.</u> 18	Court of the lady Mary [as in r4].
<u>Rotulet 8d</u>	blank. <u>Endorsed</u> at free edge [Thomas Martin, 1724]: Stodham q[uaere] ubi (The same form as on the STANWELL roll, 63/152, p.177.)	

Note. Cf. VCH Beds. iii.407ab, the grant for life to the lady Mary of Woodstock, nun of Amesbury, d.1332, can now be dated 'by 1301'.

For quick reference, the years of the courts in the roll are:

1301	r5
1303	r5d
1308	r8
1321	r4
1323	r4 ( <u>Feb.</u> )
1323	r3 ( <u>Oct.</u> )
1324	r2
1326	r3-3d
1329	r6
1371	r7
1383	r7
1390	r1
1406	r1d

63/155. [C14 mid] Terrier of the abbess of Fontevrault's lands. Parchment; 1m. Pair of empty stab-holes at top centre. Crumpled at foot with some fading of text. Dorse wholly blank.



63/155 contd/

A list of donors of lands and rents, summarized below. Dated from script. A possible terminus ante is c.1350: Philip of Whipsnade, the first named donor, was dead by then (VCH Beds. iii.456a). One of that name occurs in 63/154 r6, 1329. It is so difficult to distinguish namesakes of different generations that all the donors may be C13; John de Eltison, and Richard and Alice de Eversholt, who are in the list, are in VCH Beds. iii.429b at dates 1256-8; but I cannot here identify the yearly rent of 11d. granted in 1263 by Hawisia widow of William de Hyde, mentioned next in VCH.

The terrier could be a later copy of one made earlier, say at the time when the abbess made the lifetime grant to Mary of Woodstock.

Heading [translated]:

These are the lands of the abbess of Fontevrault in Studham.

Text, first line erased; read under ultraviolet light,

§ Land which was of Richard de Harlington (Helynden), with appurts., containing [blank]. Then:

§ Philip de Whipsnade: 66a. arable. [Same man as next?]

§ Philip son of William de Whipsnade: quitclaim of 24a. arable, all he had in homage, rents and other appurts., except 6d. yearly rent; and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  a. arable.

§ John de Boklesfeld/Bokelesford [assumed same man; forms of lost place-name (Buckleshore) in Studham. EPNS iii, Beds. and Hunts., (Cambridge 1926), 133]: 117a. (arable except for 20a. left plain) and 45d. yearly rents (5d. from ten. once of John Blok, below) and 15d. [yearly?] in wards, reliefs and escheats.

§ Philip son of Alexander [de Studham?]: 5a. arable.

§ John de Eltison: 50a.1r. arable; 26d. yearly rents.

§ John Paschany:  $2\frac{1}{2}$  a. arable; 6d. yearly rents; and a third of his lands.

§ Richard son of Gilbert: 1a. arable; 2d. yearly rent.

§ Richard de Eversholt: 1 message in (Buckleshore); 18a. arable;  $6\frac{1}{2}$ d. yearly rents.

§ (with Alice his wife): 1 message;  $37\frac{1}{2}$  a. arable. [Of these, 8a. are 'in chirograph of the king', presumably a final concord. That might be the fine cited in VCH Beds. iii.429 n.125 [1256-7] Feet of Fines, Beds., 41 Hen.3 no.7.]

§ Alice, Richard de Eversholt's wife: 3a. arable.

§ John Blok: 4a. and a third of 2a. arable; 6d. yearly rents.

§ (with Juliana his wife): 4a. arable, and a third of all their lands.

Most of the surnames occur in 63/154 and in VCH Beds. iii, Studham, Whipsnade and Leighton Buzzard (for Grovebury manor). There is one curious underline, presumably for deleting, before the first entry of Richard de Eversholt: 'Paschamia filius [sic] Jordañ'. It must be a confused half-memory of Paschasia, 3rd dau. of Jordan s. of Alexander de Studham who held in the Studham manor of La Hyde (Dunstable priory's). Paschasia was the wife of 'Gilbert son of Richard': whether they had a son Richard, the 'son of Gilbert' not identified in the list above, is offered as wholly speculative.

## SUFFOLK

63/156.

Pipe Roll Exemplification:

1644 reciting 1610 and 1616. <sup>1</sup>

Parchment, 1 m. Tears at left and foot, not affecting text.  
Flaking of ink has obscured text in parts. Dorse wholly blank.

[Art.1] In the Great Roll, 6 James, in Item Suffolk:

The Provost and EC account for outgoings of office, from Mich. 6 to Mich. 7 of the late king James for one whole year. They render account of:

13s.8d. from various fines and amercements;  
10s. from various outgoings;  
£8.10s. from various outgoings;  
27s.4d. from various outgoings and amercements;  
35s. from various fines.

SUM £12.15.8. And in the Great Roll, 19 Charles now king,  
in SUFFOLK:

In the Treasury, nothing. And to [EC], by liberties of a charter <sup>2</sup> of the late king Henry VI, £12.15.8. ALLOWED this year insofar as the sheriff has sworn to his account; as fines, outgoings and amercements of this kind are allowed to [EC] in various accounts of preceding years. THEY ARE QUIT.

[Business-hand note of Exemplification from the Pipe.]

[The outgoings etc. are set out: fines and amercements before Justices at Assizes; sworn outgoings at Assizes; outgoings Coram Rege; outgoings and amercements before the Barons of the Exchequer; fines De Banco: from EC's men and tenants free and customary, resident, not resident and resident elsewhere; both within EC's lands and tens. and within EC's fees and possessions.]

[Art.2] In the Great Roll, 12 James, in Item Suffolk:

The Provost and EC account [as above]; Mich. 12 to Mich. 13 of the late king James for one whole year:

23s.8d. from various outgoings and amercements.

SUM 23s.8d. And in the Great Roll, 19 Charles, in SUFFOLK:

In the Treasury, nothing. And to EC by liberties [as above],  
23s.8d. THEY ARE QUIT. [Ends]

Notes.

1 SUFFOLK. I found nothing to the purpose in Mr Blakiston's three calendars: ECR 25, 'Chattisham and Hintlesham' (1948); ECR 29, 'Blakenham' (1951), ECR 32, 'Creting' (1952).

The separate business in 1609, procuring copies from the Exchequer of extents of CHATTISHAM (and Newington, Kent), 25/128, is shown in the audit. ECR 62/AB/8, Lites Defendentes [sic], 1609, at p.319: 45s. paid for search and copying.

The three calendars including misc. estates, ECR 47 (1961), ECR 49 (1963), ECR 54 (1966), yielded an analogous exemplification:

49/303: 1611, quittance from Exchequer [Pipe Roll Exemplification, 9 James I, BUCKS.:] EC exonerated from 80s. due for the aid for knighting the k.'s eldest son. For the charter of liberties of 1446 cited in the exemplification, see note 2.

2 <sup>of</sup> Charters of liberties. The citation could have been to that of 1442 Jan. 25, LP with assent and by authority of Parliament. ECR 39/8: Rot.Parl. v.49b-52a, at 50a; Anc. Laws, pp.403-14 at 405 lines 15-16. EC's members, servants, tenants, residents and non-residents both within the college and in all its estates, are exonerated from all lay fines, aids, amercements etc. in any of the k.'s courts (and from clerical taxes and much else besides). The Treasurer and Barons of Exchequer are at the pp. mentioned.

The liberties ...

63/156 note 2 contd/

The liberties are confirmed anew in the last articles of the 'Consolidation Charter', 1446 Mar. 5 LP with assent and by authority of Parliament. ECR 37/57: Rot. Parl. v.75b-87a at 84ab, Anc. Laws pp.415-59 at 449-50 for 'Exchequer' as above.

The extraordinary exemptions from taxation and immunity from all the k.'s courts may have been tacitly ignored before Edward IV's accession. None of the lists of resumptio[n]s in 1461 (ECR 61, Appendix D) includes EC's liberties and immunities. But the Statute 1 Edw.4 c.1 [s.4 as touching colleges] seems likely to have abolished the privileges: SR ii.1-5 at 2-3, Statutes at Large (Ruffhead) ii.1-5 at 2-3.

The liberties were restored by Henry VII: LP, 1507 Apr. 30. ECR 39/149. The patent is engrossed in the Charter Book, second half of C16: ECR 60/CB/1, [art.14], fos.33v-37r. Its text is followed at 37r by confirmations from Henry VIII, 1510 Mar. 5, and Edward VI, 1547 May 7. The LP of 1507 are in CPR 1494-1509, 523.

The two confirmations in the Charter Book are not in ECR 39 as sealed LPs, or traced elsewhere. No renewal by Mary Tudor, Elizabeth or James I has been found at Eton. In 1975 the late Professor R.B. Pugh inquired whether ECR included LP of 1556 Mar. 1, Mary's quittance to EC from suit at Hundred and other courts. He cited PRO, Chancery, Confirmation Rolls: C 56/74 no.13, marginated as for EC. The inquiry arose from a reference in the sheriff's account for Wilts., 30-31 Eliz., cited to me as PRO, [Exchequer, Misc. Rolls (LTR and Pipe Office); Accounts of Sheriffs in] E 370/13/83.

I found only suggestive evidence, with no sequel, in the Audit Book 1551-62: ECR 62/AB/3, Pro Litibus 1555, at p.269:

'... To Mr Goodale, for going to my Lorde Arundells Counsell and in shewing the Colledge Liberties, 3s.4d. ...'

Perhaps Goodale, whom I have not yet been able to identify, took the LPs of Henry VIII or Edward VI - or both - which could account for their absence from Eton. Search in Pro Litibus and Expense Necessarie from 1555 through 1560 showed nothing about bringing old or new charters of liberties to Eton.

Eton MS 285/A in College Library is an unsealed office copy of LP, 1630 Feb. 4: Charles I confirms EC's ancient rights, freedoms and privileges. (MS 285/B is a typed transcript found with the document.) Mr Blakiston verified the entry on the Patent Roll, PRO C 66/2532; but no record has been found in ECR of issue of the original. The provenance of the document is unfortunately not in College Minutes or in a list of benefactions 1901-62, extracted from the Minutes by the late Mr E. Ayres, sometime Clerk to the Provost and Fellows. It may have been lot 411, Sotheby's, 17 Nov. 1943 (letter from J.M. Keynes, then Fellow, to Vice-Provost Marten in misc. library correspondence.) I think that it may have been given to the Library by Charles des Graz of Sotheby & Co. (d.1953).

[\* \* Winchester College has renewals of the charter of privileges obtained by William of Wykeham in 1395, from every sovereign except Edward VI and Mary, to Charles II inclusive - with one from the Commonwealth Parliament. T.F. Kirby, Annals of Winchester College (London and Winchester, 1892), p.26.

New College, Oxford, has renewals in every reign from Henry IV to Charles I inclusive. Francis W. Steer, The Archives of New College, Oxford (London and Chichester; Phillimore, for the College, 1974), pp.85-88.

KCC's renewals are not explicit in the late John Saltmarsh's history of the College, VCH Cambs. iii.382-4.]

It is therefore clear in general why Henry VI's charters of privileges and liberties were valid temp. Charles I (and James I for 49/303). But I am vexed at being unable to explain how 63/156 and the Bucks. acquittance alone appear to have been issued, or at least survived.

No extant ...



63/156 note 2 contd/

No extant document supplies the context. It is hard to believe that EC only twice invoked the ancient liberties before the Barons of the Exchequer and obtained acquittances from aids and the various outgoings, ameracements and fines cited in the SUFFOLK roll without detail.

In 1609-11, EC was at law in Bucks. and Suffolk, and again in Suffolk 1614-15. Those were suits in Chancery, disclosed by Audit Books under Pro Litibus or variant heading; sometimes with place and party in the margin. There must have been many years in which EC was paying its officers, and attorneys usually named in Honoraria, for business in Exchequer or Chancery in suits against tenants and others.

Why EC's dues to Exchequer in 1610 and 1616 came into the Pipe Roll of 1644 is completely obscure - in context of ECR. Audits are wanting between 1642 and 1646 (see ECR 61, p.58); the bursars' draft books for 1644 and 1645 (Hales, in 62/WV/1/23) are not collected into tituli in more or less fair copy from journal entries and drafts.

The audit for 1647, in Audit Book 1638-53 (62/AB/10), Lites Defendentes [sic] at p.243, has entries relating to four years' payments into Exchequer, and various acquittances: but I find no details of thirty-year-old payments and allowance.

Like the Bucks. acquittance of 1611, 49/303, 63/156 has to rest unexplained until further documents come to light or a thorough search of bursars' draft books may furnish a morsel of evidence.

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[63/157-  
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TAYNTON manor, Oxon.

With MORE manor in Northmoor, Oxon., member of DEERHURST a.p., Glos.

For acquisition, rent rolls and resumption in 1461 to Tewkesbury abbey, see headnote to MORE manor, p.154 above.

Summary list:	Court rolls
63/157	1400-1413 (wants 1403)
158	1414-1421
159	1422 x 1433 [/160 supplies gap]
160	1430-1432
161	1433-1437
162	1437-1449
163	1462 (with copy from 1441)
164	1472-1473
165	1474-1475
	Rental renewed
166	1456

\*\* It is not clear why court rolls after the resumption are in ECR. Edward IV's grant of Deerhurst and its manors etc. to Tewkesbury abbey was by LP, 1462 Aug. 3: CPR 1461-1467, 196-7. Cf. ECR 61, Appendix D p.102: nothing suggests that Taynton was not resumed or went only later to Tewkesbury.

There are several compoti from Taynton, quarry and materials etc., in the Building Accounts, separate documents not yet calendared - to form a later vol. or part-vol. of ECR. But EC seems never to have had more temp. Hen.7 than a lease of the quarry, the lease not rediscovered. (ECR 60/LB/1, Lease Book Register 1445-1529, has only leases during EC's tenure: 1453, 1457, at fos.60rv, 83r.

63/157. Courts 1400-13 (1403, 4 & 5 Hen.4, not seen; suspect a rotulet missing)

Parchment; 27 rs. Parts crumpled and faded. Reverse chronological order (not exact) from top downward. Almost all dorses blank except for contemporary note of regnal year: omitted in list following, unless containing text of court.

Rotulet 1 ...



<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1412 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Court [date torn under tie];
	1413 <u>Jan.</u> 17;	Court;
	1413 <u>May</u> 10.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1412 <u>Apr.</u> 13;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 2-2d</u>	1412 <u>July</u> 15.	Court. [Last entry on dorse, top.]
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1411 <u>Oct.</u> 8;	Court in the name of Hugh de Mau-
		gazon [Prior of Deerhurst, interlined];
	1412 <u>Jan.</u> 24.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 4</u>	1411 <u>Apr.</u> 24.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1410 <u>Oct.</u> 3;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 5-5d</u>	1411 <u>Jan.</u> 23.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 6</u>	1410 <u>Apr.</u> 8.	Court.
* * * * Ds. William Forster, prior, grants to Thomas Russell and others the site of the manor with demesne lands; 12 years from Mich. 1409. Yearly rent, £16: at Midsummer and Mich. in 1410, subsequently at Hockday and Mich. Farmers to enter into written bond for <u>40 marks</u> to maintain the estate. They are also granted 52 customary yearly works, with cornbote and all other [perqs.] in (Mulleham); they are to find hay for expenses of the steward's coming.		
<u>Rotulet 7</u>	1409 <u>Oct.</u> 8;	Court;
	1410 <u>Jan.</u> 15.	Court.
* * * * The October court is the latest in the file dated by a feast rather than day and month. Here, St. Denis: Saint-Denis abbey by Paris was Deerhurst's mother-house.		
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1409 <u>Apr.</u> 16;	Court;
	1409 <u>July</u> 5.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 9</u>	1408 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Court;
	1409 <u>Jan.</u> 19.	Court. [Feast of St. Wulstan Bp.]
<u>Rotulet 10</u>	1408 <u>Aug.</u> 4.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 11</u>	1408 <u>Mar.</u> 8;	Court;
	1408 <u>Apr.</u> 27.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 12</u>	1407 <u>Apr.</u> 7.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 13</u>	1406 <u>Oct.</u> 6;	Court;
	1407 <u>Jan.</u> 14.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 14</u>	1407 <u>July</u> 6.	Court. [Includes a by-law, margined.]
* * * * By-law. For note on by-laws see after end of list.		
<u>Rotulet 15</u>	1406 <u>Aug.</u> 5.	Court. [By-law; see below.]
<u>Rotulet 16</u>	1405 <u>Oct.</u> 8.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 17</u>	1406 <u>Jan.</u> 15;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 17d</u>	1406 <u>Apr.</u> 23.	Court. [By-law; see below.]
<u>Rotulet 18</u>	1405 <u>Jan.</u> 16.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 19</u>	1405 <u>May</u> 6.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 20</u>	1404 <u>Oct.</u> 4.	Court. [cū (blank) struck through; presumed 'with View'. Cf. r22 below.]
<u>Rotulet 21</u>	1404 <u>Jan.</u> 12.	Court. [Sat. added to day-date, correct for this leap year.]
<u>Rotulet 22</u>	1404 <u>Apr.</u> 12.	Court with View of Frankpledge.
* * * * 'with View of Frankpledge' erased, but brought up by ultraviolet light. Dated Sat. before St. Alphege (19 <u>Apr.</u> [transl. 8 <u>June</u> ]), the feast itself a Sat. in 1404, 5 Hen.4.		
<u>Rotulet 23</u> (2 ms, short)	1402 <u>Oct.</u> 4.	Court. [4 Hen.4.]
<u>Rotulet 24</u>	1401 <u>Oct.</u> 8;	Court; [3 Hen.4; month read under ultraviolet with lens.]
	1402 <u>Feb.</u> 8;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 24d</u>	1402 <u>July</u> 26.	Court.

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<u>Rotulet 25/1</u>	1401 <u>Jan.</u> 25;	Court;
(2 ms)	1401 <u>Apr.</u> 9;	Court;
#2	1401 <u>June</u> 22.	Court. [Torn at left and faded.]
<u>Rotulet 26</u>	1400 <u>June</u> 24;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 26-26d</u>	1400 <u>Sept.</u> 13.	Court. [Dorse faded; old parchment tie knotted at foot.]
<u>Rotulet 27</u>	1400 <u>Feb.</u> 25.	Court of ds. William Forster, prior of Deerhurst. [END]

Endorsed, on r25/2d (longest rotulet, serving as wrapper)

[C16 secretary hand] Teiton: Henrici iij. <sup>1</sup>

Note on by-laws.

In r14 (1407). Depasturage before end of autumn works forbidden in pasture called (Wesebrokesgrene); in fallow lands from 1 Aug. until autumn; no beasts to be in meadow called (Browgham) until the common shepherd comes there, by assent to depasture the vill's beasts. 15 ferendells of land at (Hullemede) and 1 ferura containing 1a., are to be in severalty and uncultivated until the adjacent meadow called (Heymede) is mown.

In r15 (1406). No depasturage in (Borowham) until the keeper of beasts and draught-animals comes to pasture them by agreement of all tenants of the lord.

In r17d (1406). No depasturage of sheep from date of court until Midsummer in (le Walowcomb) or (Dawkynys). No one may put his beasts in autumn between others' corn (grana) until it has been carted or taken away.

For Taynton field-names extant and lost, EPNS xxiv (Oxfordshire ii; Cambridge, 1954) at 385:

Mill. (Cf. Milneham 1551-2 and Mulleham in r6, the 1410 lease.)

Burham 1559, 1650-51; Hyll meade 1559 are the two lost f.n.s. that can be identified from our forms in 1406/7; the others are unrecorded.

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Courts 1414-21

Parchment, 12 rs. Crumpled, stained and nibbled in parts. Tear, with some text lost, in lower r6: the longest, used as wrapper. Its dorse is blank, cf. 63/157 r25/2d. Reversed chronological order, not exact, from top. As before, unused dorses are omitted from the list.

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1420 <u>Apr.</u> 11;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1420 <u>June</u> 20.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1420 <u>Dec.</u> 19;	Court of the prior of Deerhurst;
	1421 <u>Mar.</u> 26;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	1421 <u>Oct.</u> 16.	Court. [Skin weak at top dorse.]
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1420 <u>Sept.</u> 24.	Court,
<u>Rotulet 4</u>	1419 <u>Apr.</u> 19;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 4-4d</u>	1419 <u>July</u> 18.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1419 <u>Nov.</u> 21;	Court of the prior of Deerhurst;
<u>Rotulet 5d</u>	1420 <u>Jan.</u> 18.	Court of the prior of Deerhurst. [Bottom third of text faded.]
<u>Rotulet 6-6d</u>	1418 <u>Oct.</u> 6.	Court. [Stained at edges; foot torn.]
<u>Rotulet 7</u>	1417 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 7-7d</u>	1418 <u>Mar.</u> 29;	Court; [Nibbled at edges.]
<u>Rotulet 7d</u>	1418 <u>Aug.</u> 17.	Court. [Nibbled at edges.]
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1417 <u>Apr.</u> 12.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 9</u>	1416 <u>Oct.</u> 19;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 9d</u>	1417 <u>Jan.</u> 11.	Court.

Rotulet 10 ...

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<u>Rotulet 10</u>	1415 <u>Oct.</u> 13;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 10d</u>	1416 <u>Apr.</u> 27.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 11</u>	1414 <u>Oct.</u> 3;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 11d</u>	1415 <u>Apr.</u> 9.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 12</u>	1413 <u>Oct.</u> 3;	Court;
	1414 <u>Jan.</u> 9;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 12d</u>	1414 <u>Apr.</u> 11.	Court. [END]

63/159.

Courts 1422 x 1433. [Wants part 1430-32: 63/160.]

Parchment, 10 rs; parchment docket filed between tops of rs3,4. Crumpled and stained in parts. Reversed chronological order from front, not exact.

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1433 <u>Feb.</u> 12;	Court;	[Upper part of text faded.]
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1433 <u>Apr.</u> 25;	Court;	
	1433 <u>July</u> 16.	Court.	

\* \* 63/160 has presumably come away from between rs1,2.

<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1430 <u>June</u> 12.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	blank	

<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1429 <u>Nov.</u> 15;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 3d</u>	1430 <u>Jan.</u> 20.	Court.

\* \* Docket. Copy of Court roll, 1420 Sept. 24: admission of John Symmes, to hold 1 messuage and 1 virgate of free tenure, until infant co-heiresses of Thomas Symmes are of age. John Symmes appears in the 1429 Nov. Court: Fidel' in margin. [Cf. 63/158 above, r3.] Dorse blank.

<u>Rotulet 4</u>	1429 <u>Apr.</u> 1;	Court;	[Edges folded in, creased and stained.]
<u>Rotulet 4d</u>	1429 <u>July</u> 7.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1428 <u>Oct.</u> 5.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 5d</u>	blank		
<u>Rotulet 6</u>	1427 <u>Apr.</u> 28;	Court;	[Longest rotulet; overlap of lower front and upper dorse stained and faded.]
	1427 <u>Oct.</u> 12;	Court;	
<u>Rotulet 6-6d</u>	1428 <u>Apr.</u> 12.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 7</u>	1426 <u>Apr.</u> 3;	Court;	
<u>Rotulet 7d</u>	1427 <u>Jan.</u> 15.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1424 <u>Oct.</u> 11;	Court of Hugh [Maugason], prior of Deerhurst;	
	1425 <u>Mar.</u> 7;	Court;	
<u>Rotulet 8d</u>	1425 <u>Oct.</u> 3.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 9</u>	1423 <u>Apr.</u> 6;	Court of the prior of Deerhurst;	
<u>Rotulet 9d</u>	1423 <u>Oct.</u> 5;	Court of the prior of Deerhurst;	
	1424 <u>Apr.</u> 25.	Court of Hugh, prior of Deerhurst.	
<u>Rotulet 10</u>	1422 <u>Sept.</u> 17;	Court of the prior of Deerhurst;	
<u>Rotulet 10d</u>	1422 <u>Apr.</u> 15.	Court. [END]	

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Courts 1430-32. [Cf. 63/159.]

Parchment, 1 m; tears through stab-holes match holes in 63/159. It cannot therefore be restrung in place before repair. Creased, stained and faded in parts.

<u>Front</u>	1430 <u>Oct.</u> 27;	Court;
	1431 <u>Apr.</u> 4;	Court;
<u>Dorse</u>	1431 <u>July</u> 5;	Court;
	1432 <u>Jan.</u> 22;	Court;
	1432 <u>June</u> 25.	Court.

Note ...

## [TAYNTON]

63/160, Note. in the 1432 Jan. court, /

\* \* On the dorse, / blue threads against marginated Lex. John Culver, querent, in plea of trespass by William Freeman. W. with his beasts wasted J.'s mown grass (or hay: distr[axit] herbagium) at (Wellehede). Damage 3s.4d. W. denies; adjourned to next court. Loquele, marginated prox', in the 1432 June court: again adjourned. (Finally settled in the 1433 July court, 63/159 r1d foot: W. in mercy: J. recovers 20d. by the steward's decision.)

63/161. Courts 1433-37.

Parchment, 3 rs. Parts of r1 and r3 (dorse worst affected) stained and faded; scraping around edge of defect in lower r3/upper r3d. Not filed in sequence.

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1436 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Court;
	1437 <u>Jan.</u> 22;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1437 <u>Apr.</u> 12;	Court;
	1437 <u>July</u> 6.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1436 <u>Jan.</u> 20;	Court;
	1436 <u>Apr.</u> 20.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	blank	
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1433 <u>Oct.</u> 6;	Court;
	1434 <u>Apr.</u> 8;	Court;
	1434 <u>July</u> 9;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 3-3d</u>	1434 <u>Oct.</u> 1;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 3d</u>	1435 <u>July</u> 8;	Court;
	1435 <u>Oct.</u> 6.	Court.

63/162. Courts 1437-49.

Parchment, 8 rs. Rotulets 3 and 5-8 filed upside down through the single stab-hole at top centre. Straight chronological order from front.

<u>Rotulet 1</u>	1437 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Court;
	1438 <u>Jan.</u> 26;	Court;
	1439 <u>Jan.</u> 16;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 1d</u>	1439 <u>Apr.</u> 10;	Court;
	1439 <u>Oct.</u> 3.	Court. [Lower text stained, faded.]
<u>Rotulet 2</u>	1440 <u>Jan.</u> 22;	Court;
	1440 <u>July</u> 11;	Court;
	1440 <u>Sept.</u> 27;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 2d</u>	1441 <u>Jan.</u> 25;	Court;
	1441 <u>Apr.</u> 22;	Court;
	1441 <u>July</u> 7.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 3</u>	1442 <u>Apr.</u> 9;	Court;
	1442 <u>July</u> 13;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 3d</u>	1441 <u>Sept.</u> 25;	Court;
	1442 <u>Jan.</u> 16.	Court.

\* \* The first three courts include by-laws. To record field-names, as in 63/157 above, I have consolidated a note. See after end of list. A blue thread knotted at left ~~right~~ edge may mark admission of John Culver, at the 1441 Sept. court (dorse marginated Fine, 13s.4d., below the thread); or of John Huchyens' grant of reversion of 2 messuages and 1 virgate, at the 1442 Apr. court (front). Here, thread is by marginal [Sureties].

<u>Rotulet 4/1</u>	1443 <u>Apr.</u> 10;	Court;
<u>Rotulet 4/1-2</u>	1443 <u>July</u> 20;	Court; [r4/2 short strip, dorse
<u>Rotulet 4/1d</u>	1442 <u>Oct.</u> 4;	Court; blank]
	1443 <u>Jan.</u> 24.	Court.
<u>Rotulet 5d</u>	1443 <u>Oct.</u> 13;	Court; [Rotulet filed back to
	1444 <u>Jan.</u> 28;	Court; front.]
<u>Rotulet 5d-5</u>	1444 <u>Apr.</u> 18;	Court;

Rotulet 5 ...



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<u>Rotulet 5</u>	1444 <u>July</u> 9;	Court;	
	1444 <u>Oct.</u> 2.	Court.	[Remaining rotulets are also back to front as well as upside down.]
<u>Rotulet 6d</u>	1445 <u>Jan.</u> 11;	Court;	
	1445 <u>Apr.</u> 16;	Court;	
	1445 <u>July</u> 15;	Court;	
<u>Rotulet 6</u>	1445 <u>Oct.</u> 2;	Court;	
	1446 <u>Feb.</u> 8.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 7d</u>	1446 <u>Apr.</u> 26;	Court;	[By-law. See below.]
	1446 <u>July</u> 15;	Court;	[By-law. See below.]
	1446 <u>Sept.</u> 27;	Court;	
	1447 <u>Jan.</u> 25;	Court.	[Foot stained and weak.]
<u>Rotulet 7</u>	1447 <u>Apr.</u> 18;	Court;	[By-law. See below.]
	1447 <u>July</u> 13;	Court;	
	1447 <u>Sept.</u> 25;	Court;	[By-law. See below.]
	1448 <u>Jan.</u> 31.	Court.	
<u>Rotulet 8d</u>	1448 <u>Apr.</u> 4;	Court;	
	1448 <u>July</u> 12;	Court;	[By-law. See below.]
	1448 <u>Sept.</u> 26;	Court;	
<u>Rotulet 8d-8</u>	1449 <u>Feb.</u> 18;	Court;	
<u>Rotulet 8</u>	1449 <u>Apr.</u> 24;	Court;	
	1449 <u>July</u> 9;	Court;	
	1449 <u>Sept.</u> 23.	Court.	[END]

\* \* By-laws.

In r3, 1442 Apr. No one to depasture his sheep in (le Combe) except in (Haselford) and (Admondesbrugge) before the Assumption of BVM (Aug. 15); and to depasture his sheep in (War')field, and nowhere else, up to Midsummer; thereafter in (le Strasce) [?: a or o seem corrected from one or the other], and (Boryndoneferlong); and nowhere else within the pasture of the large beasts.

Ibid., 1442 July. No depasturage of sheep in the cornfield in (Cornleyen') until the furlong is cleared. No one to tether animals in (le Paronesgren', Katherlese, Seggesham and Heryngesmede) before [Aug. 15].

In r3d, 1441 Sept. Everyone shall be on one day before All Saints' (Nov. 1) at clearing the stream called (Wesbroke). No one to depasture his sheep in the cornfield called (Edisshefeld), first after St. Denis's day (Oct. 9) and for 8 days; the second breche [to be, omitted?] at Martinmas (Nov. 11).

In r7d, 1446 Apr. No depasturage of sheep in fallow land until Midsummer.

Ibid., 1446 July. No depasturage of beasts or sheep in the meadows (Hullemede, Hemedede with lez hedes) before the time agreed that the common shepherd comes to [admit to] pasture there. (Seggesham) likewise [out of bounds] until the shepherd comes as above.

In r7, 1447 Apr. No depasturage of sheep in (lez Combes) before Midsummer, or of horses by night in the fields.

After the waters recede from the meadows, every tenant by agreement made among themselves, to increase the channel (pipam) of (Wynrysshe) stream, and afterwards to remove obstructions from the stream where most needed, before Mich.

Ibid., 1447 Sept. No depasturage of sheep in the cornfield called (le Edysse) before All Saints' (Nov. 1); after that day, only in half of (Edysse) until St. Nicholas's Day (Dec. 6).

In r8d, 1448 July. No beast or sheep to be depastured in (lordes Seggesham or Townesseggeham) before the <sup>N</sup>ativity of BVM (Sept. 8). No one shall have any stranger's sheep depasturing within the demesne. And that the bridge called (Symmesbrugge), wanting repair, is to be competently repaired before St. Peter ad Vincula (Aug. 1) by the whole village under penalty of 40d.

Note on field-names ...

## [TAYNTON]

63/162, Note on field-names from by-laws.

\* \* Add to lost f.n.s., EPNS xxiv. 385 (cf. p.185 above):

lez Hedes 1446: the hades 1650-51;

Heryngesmede 1442: Hearringes meade 1559;

Seggesham 1442,1448 [but not its two divisions 1448]:

Segeham, Sedgeham 1559.

The others not traced.

Extant minor p.n., Hazelford Bridge 6" OS: cf. Haselford 1442.

Presumed 'Westbrook' and the other bridges 1441,1442,1448 not traced.

To R. Windrush, EPNS xxiii 11-12, Wynrysshe 1447 added form.

63/163. Courts 1462-63 [with copy from 1441]

Parchment, 1 m., with parchment docket sewn at top left. Crumpled, nibbled and stained. Empty stab-holes (pair) at top centre. Dorse blank except for contemporary 'Teynton' at left free edge.

<u>Front</u>	1462 <u>Sept.</u> 10;	Court of William Bokelond;
	1463 <u>Apr.</u> 29.	Court of ds. William Bokelond.

\* \* The first business of the 1462 court is margined Retornacio tenencium. Customary tenants all come and pay 1d. to Bokelond, prior of Deerhurst; it is clearly 'court of first recognition' of the new lord of the manor.

Docket. Extract from Court roll, 1441 Sept. 26 [cf. Sept. 25, in 63/162 r3d; p.187 above].

Admission of John Culver to half a messuage and 2a. land called Howes, with reversion of the other half which Margaret Howes holds. [The blue thread, equivocally placed in 63/162 r3/3d, is thus more likely to refer to this extracted admission on dorse than to the matter on the front.] Originally folded longways in four; dorse blank.

I cannot see Culver, or Howes' tenement, in either enrolled court.

63/164. Courts 1472-73

Parchment, 1 m. Creased from original flat-folding; stained, especially in unused part of dorse. No obvious filing-holes.

<u>Front</u>	1472 <u>June</u> 18;	Court;
	1473 <u>Jan.</u> 8;	Court;
<u>Dorse</u>	1473 <u>May</u> 3.	Court.

Only a third of dorse used. Endorsed along free edge, contemporary, [Taynton Court roll 12 & 13 Edw.4.]

63/165. Courts 1474-75

Parchment, 1 m. Some staining. No filing-hole; apparent indented cut at top left of front. At top left of dorse (well below end of text on front), stitching has gathered over the corner of the skin; no explicit reference to a docket or voucher, now lost, seen in the record.

<u>Front</u>	1474 <u>Oct.</u> 11;	Court;
<u>Dorse</u>	1475 <u>Apr.</u> 12.	Court.

Endorsed along free edge, probably by the writer of the roll, details as in 63/164, but [12 Edw.4] only for dates.

[End of Court rolls.]

63/166 ...

## [TAYNTON]

63/166. 1456 Oct.: Rental renewed.

Parchment, 2 ms. Tattered and holed at top. Blank dorse stained.

By information of John Freman and other tenants [month of October, 35 Hen.6].

In the hand of David Whitchurch, clerk of accounts. He endorsed 'Rentale de Teynton' just below free blank edge.

Seven free tenants of nine tenements. Rent days, LD and Mich. (William Freman first in list: he or namesake son appears to be steward of the manor in 1472/3, 63/164 on p.189 above.)

Customary tenants, headed by Walter Cole, run on to m2. Last are John Henry Smyth of Schipton [presumably Shipton-under-Wychwood?] and Joan his wife, for farm of mill with its lands and fishery. All customary tenants pay money rent at the two terms.

At foot, six lessees of the quarry or quarries (names are found above in the rental), The fourth, John Culver, pays 6s.8d. at each term; the last has a blank against (for 1 quarry lately let at 10s.;) the rest pay 3s.4d. each term.

Below the quarriers, one name: possibly a customary tenant omitted in error from the main list. (John Symmes: a parcel of land lying by the well Bole; 3s.4d. each term.)

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[63/167]

WALTON-ON-THE-HILL manor, Surrey

\* \* See BANSTEAD with WALTON, 63/1,2: p.1 above. See also VCH Surrey iii.316b-17a and 235b (BANSTEAD, descent of manor). Correct there the date of resumption, from '1464' to 1455: cf. ECR 61 Appendix D, pp.98,104 and corrigendum inside front cover.

For acquisition; rent rolls; resumption, see BANSTEAD above.

63/167. 1408 [Oct.?] Rental renewed.

Parchment, 1 m. Stained in parts; edge nibbled without loss of text, which runs on to lowest quarter of dorse.

Heading has for date of renewal, 10 Hen.4 incipiente. 'Wauton' manor identified as Walton-on-the-Hill from context of ECR and names of persons and minor places recurring in 1446,1450 (ECR 63/1,2). No maker of rental entered or source of sworn information.

The first list, presumably of free tenants, has no heading. The four usual rent days are not in columns at right, but named in first entry:

John Iwardeby, for ten. called le Fryth sometime of John atte Castell, afterwards of John Bentle, paying yearly 16s.4d. ...

(Sixth in list, the heirs of Thomas Chapman for lands sometime of William atte Pende, render two barbed arrow-heads or 1 arrow-head worth 2d., beside their 8s.4d. rent.)

This list of twenty-seven (a few names left blank) is followed by Rents and farm of villein (nat') and customary lands of the aforesaid manor, demised to certain (certis) tenants written below. All are money rents: each name followed by 'pays and holds' before the amount summed for the year.

Dorse, below end of the second list, has unfilled sums for customary rents; of all rents; and their value passing to the lordship.

Endorsed across free edge, [the familiar yet unattributed C15/16 hand seen on many rentals in ECR 63] Rental' Manerii de Wauton'

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[63/168]

WEEDON BEC, Northants.;

with EVERDON, Northants., and GOLDCLIFF, Mon.

Draft receipts from farmers and bailiffs. <sup>1</sup>[1544 or 1546] <sup>2</sup>

63/168.

Parchment, 1 m. Empty stitch-holes across top. Vertical tear at foot and two small holes not affecting text.

Names of estates, accountants and some receipts in set business hand, probably written in advance on blank skin. Perhaps same hand has added, much more roughly, dates of payment, other names, sums and corrections.

Latin. Here translated virtually in full, in case another piece of the same account comes to light. I have added the yearly farm due, taken from lease book and contemporary accounts, and entered the sub-totals from each estate, not summed on the document.

After the numbered footnotes, see endnote for the usual summary of acquisition etc. of each estate.

WEEDON (lordship (manor [£40.]	From Robert Lynell and Richard Weste, farmers:		
	Lynell [interlined, 7 <u>Nov.</u> ]	£7.	
	Lynell and Weste, 20 <u>Nov.</u>	£11.5s.	
	Lynell [and Weste, cancelled], 20 <u>Nov.</u>	£5.15s.	
	Lynell, 4 <u>May</u>	£8.	
	Weste, 22 <u>May</u>	£8.	[£40.]

WEEDON wood [£7.]	From William Symmes, farmer:		
		12 <u>May</u>	£7. [£7.]
	[Date is above erased ... <u>Nov.</u> ; sum corrected from £11.13s.; second half-year's line not filled in]		

EVERDON manor [£15.13s.]	From William Bulle, bailiff:		
		20 <u>Nov.</u>	£11.13s. and 6s.8d.
	for the wood	25 <u>Apr.</u>	£4.

EVERDON wood [6s.8d.]	From William Smythe and William Bulle:		
	[No sum at right of either half-year's line; W.B. paid with farm of manor, just above. 6s.8d.]		

GOLDCLIFF with members in the March of Wales.

[£100.]	From Geoffrey Danyell, farmer: <sup>3</sup>		
	by John Cokar, 8 <u>Dec.</u>	£50.	
	[by William Howell and Giles Morgan, date and sum smudged and cancelled]		
	by Howell and Morgan, 30 <u>May</u>	£50.10s.	[£100.10s.]

UPON WARRANTS	From Mr (M <sup>ro</sup> ) Googe, Mr Sheldon and Mr Wright, for lands exchanged with the king no date]	£35. <sup>4</sup>
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[In another business hand, faint roman figures]

SUM OF RECEIPTS £ 856. 12. 1. [+ 1d. cancelled]

[Just at right of tear in foot, an abacus-diagram with sum in arabic numerals] £163.9.8.

Dorse has only roughly-written sum in roman numerals: £848.12.4.



Notes.

1 The document. I am sure that it is the last membrane unstitched from a lost bursars' indenture: layout of entries is characteristic. There is not enough left to justify adding it to ECR 61 as an oddment annexed to class 61/BI/G. Script and accountants' names place it in the later part of Henry VIII's reign; ECR 61 pp.64-5, and the addendum on the rediscovered singleton of 1543, show how many pairs or members of pairs are missing.

2 Dating. Leases traced from the contents-list of Lease Book 1529-1556, 60/LB/2, set limits of 1542 and 1546 to take in all names of accountants.

Annual gatherings in Audit Book 1530 x 1545 (gap between 62/AB/2, and AB/3, 1551-62) are wanting for 1542 and 1544. The rent roll for 1542, 61/RR/G/26, is followed by a gap until 1549. There are no surviving bursars' indentures for 1542 or 1544; singletons only for 1543 and 1545, 61/BI/G/26,27, are followed by a gap until 1549.

The receipts in 63/168 do not tally with rent roll or audit book in 1542, or with bursars' indentures for 1543 or 1545. I must therefore posit a year missing from all accounts: 1544 or 1546. The entry 'Upon Warrants' may point to 1544:

ECR 39/160, 1544 Apr. 28, is an indenture of sale by EC to the k. of 6a. meadow near (Chalcothyll) in St. Pancras and Marylebone: £40.6s. of the consideration money was paid by the Treasurer of the Court of Augmentations. If the £35 upon warrants represents part of that payment, and if it was paid within the accounting year 1544, that would be collateral evidence for dating 63/168. See also note 4. (Draft Bursars' Accounts 1544, the first section of 62/WV/2 among bursars' "White Vellum" books, showed nothing in this context.)

3 Geoffrey Danyell. Clerk of lands or of accounts from 1527 Midsummer to 1538 Mich., at 53s.4d. a year. [Both audit and rent roll for 1539 are gone; one reference in bursars' indenture, 61/BI/G/24, m2, implies a sum due from G.D. at Mich. 1538, but there is no plain evidence that he served in this further year.] Audit Books 1506 x 1529, 1530 x 1545: 62/AB/1,2, in Stipendia ministrorum et servientium. He is styled 'de dicto Collegio' in EC's leases to him of (Morbourn), member of GOLDCLIFF not shown separately in Rentale of Audit Books, or in rent rolls, 1531 Dec. 15, 21 years from Mich. 1535; and of CREETING and BLAKENHAM manors together, 1533 Aug. 18, same term and starting date. Lease Book 1529-56, 60/LB/2: fos.11v,19v-20r. In 62/AB/2, Rentale has him as farmer of CREETING with BLAKENHAM in 1536 only.

It is safe to identify him with the G.D. farming CLATFORD woods by lease of 1539 Mar. 16, 21 years from Mich. 1539. He has no epithet in the engrossment, but 60/LB/2 fo.40v is margined 'Mr Danyell'. Rentale has him as farmer of CLATFORD undifferentiated, from 1536 until 1545: the last extant account before exchange with the Crown, 1546 Dec. 20. [ECR 14/1; engrossed in 60/LB/2, fos.91r-92r.]

G.D. 'of Clatford, Wilts.' farmed GOLDCLIFF by lease of 1539 Dec. 8, 21 years from Mich. 1539. His lease was renewed, now to G.D. 'of Marlborough, Wilts., esq', 1555 Oct. 11, 20 years from Mich. 1566 or surrender of an intervening lease with reversion to sir William Herbert, 1546 Oct. 7. 60/LB/2 fos.43r-[43 bis v];92v-93v;170v-72r. Rentale in 62/AB/2 and AB/3 (Audit Book 1551-62) shows Danyell as farming GOLDCLIFF from 1540 to 1556 inclusive.

(The '1566' in the lease of 1555 is clearly written out in Latin. Many leases then run from a term several years ahead. The late C17 continuation of the Evidence Books, provisionally numbered 60/EB/4 from the old ink number on the front cover, in GOLDCLIFF at fo.37r, abstract of descent of EC's title and leases, has 1566 corrected by overwriting '1556' as the start of Danyell's lease in '3 Mary' [1555 Oct. 11, above, is clearly that, from other abridged details.] This note exemplifies EC's custom of improving the clerks' stipend by grants of farms or other perquisites. Other names can be pursued from Audit Books' Stipendia ministrorum ..., to Lease Books and back to Audit Books' Rentale.

4 Lands exchanged with the king. Receipts upon warrants from the three masters appear only in this document; bursars' indentures from 1533 to 1548 show nothing relating to the exchanges of 1531 or 1547.

Here, ...

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[WEEDON BEC &amp; others]

Note 4 contd/

Here, the exchange can only be that of St. James's Hospital; 1531 Dec. 26. LP, ECR 39/158. The sale referred to in note 2 at p.192 above of land in (Chalcothyll) with reserved rents, 39/160, would have subtracted land from the farm of St. James's at Chalcots in Middlesex, retained by EC in the exchange.

The three 'Masters'.

Summaries of acquisition etc.

WEEDON BEC, Northants.

A.p. Bec.

Acquired 1443 Sept. 16. Reversion of manor and advowson of Weedon church, after death of Humphrey earl of Stafford, the k.'s kinsman, holding for life. LP.

ECR 27/13. CPR 1441-1446, 205.

1445 Mar. 12. Licence for earl Humphrey, now duke of Buckingham, to surrender manor and advowson to EC. LP.

ECR 27/15. CPR ibid., 360 (fourth of four grants to EC).

Confirmed 1446 Mar. 5. LP: the 'Consolidation Charter'. ECR 39/57; Rot.Parl. v.77a. (The 1443 LP there misdated Dec. 16, cf. ECR 27/13 and CPR.)

Rent rolls 1445, 61/RR/A/20, until  
1461, /RR/C/1.

[On wrapper-list of RR/A/12, 1444: but the 1445 compotus has no arrears because the first; for one full year.]

Resumed [implicit] 1461. In 'BEAUFITZ' list: ECR 61 Appendix D, pp.99,101.

Restored [INEFFECTIVE] 1467 July 17. LP: ECR 39/129; CPR 1467-1477, 62-3. 'The manor of WEEDON BEC ...'

A lease to William Catesby esq, 1483 Mich., 24 years, noted in 1485 rent roll: 61/RR/E/1 r6d.

Returns to rent rolls 1486, 61/RR/E/2 r6d, with arrears from 1485.

\* \* WEEDON WOOD reserved to EC until lease of 1554 Nov. 8, from Mich. 1554: 60/LB/2 fos.168v-69r. Appears, however, as separate heading after Weedon manor [in 1541 - lost r14 from 61/RR/G/25]: 1542 rent roll, RR/G/26 r11 begins with arrears from 1541.

EVERDON, Northants.

A.p. Bernay.

It was with CREETING, Suffolk, an a.p. under one prior. See headnote to CREETING, 63/70-77, p.48 above.

First rent roll, 1443, 61/RR/A/4 [Norfolk, Suffolk]. Then usually in Bucks., Northants., Beds. rolls with WEEDON BEC or separate Northants. rolls.

\* \* EVERDON WOOD reserved to EC until first lease of 1541 Sept. 26, from Mich. 1541: 60/LB/2 fos.54v-55r. No separate receipts under EVERDON in 1542, 61/RR/G/26 r11d, 'but first in Rentale 1543, 62/AB/2 p.216.

GOLDCLIFF, Mon. A.p. (conventual) Bec.

See now Introduction in ECR 64, 'Goldcliff Part 2' by Felicity Strong, typescript unpublished, 1987.

Acquired ...

[63/168 endnote contd]

## GOLDCLIFF

Acquired 1441 E. Apport of 20s. yearly, formerly paid to [Bec].  
Rot.Parl. v.47ab.

Rent rolls 1442/3, 61/RR/A/11, until  
1461, RR/C/5.

\* \* Only the apport was received throughout the early series.  
See ECR 61 p.29, §(5), for collection at Monksilver, Somerset.

Grant of priory 1451 Apr. 2, LP: CPR 1446-1452, 457, INEFFECTIVE:  
as shown from rent rolls.

Resumed [implicit] 1461. ECR 61 Appendix D pp.99,110.

Grant away [Confirmation] to Tewkesbury abbey, of apport and  
priory, 1462 Feb. 1. LP: CPR 1461-1467, 93.

Regrant 1467 (apport) July 17, LP: ECR 39/129; CPR 1467-1477,  
62-3; (advowson, manors and detailed estates) Aug. 25, LP: CPR  
ibid., 48. The second LP INEFFECTIVE except for Monmouthshire  
members.

Returns to accounts 1468, 61/BI/C/7/A,B; next rent roll, 1471,  
61/RR/C/9, shows rents and dues in Monmouthshire only.

Regrant of priory and manor, with Coldra manor (Mon.) 1483 Feb. 4,  
from Easter 1467; LP of Aug. 1467 surrendered as invalid, part of  
the premises already held by EC. LP: CPR 1476-1485, 334.

Disappears from rent rolls 1497, returns 1501 61/RR/E/17: no arrears,  
first account. [No explanation found for the temporary loss.]

COLDRA manor first appears as separate heading in rent roll, 1508,  
61/RR/E/19 r9-9d. Members of Goldcliff are not shown severally in  
Audit Rolls and Book, and bursars' indentures, checked for the gap  
between rent rolls 1503-07.

\* \* The LPs of Henry VI and Edward IV wholly or partly ineffective,  
as ~~shown to be~~ proven only from ECR, have unwittingly misled at least two writers  
into stating that EC held the priory itself from '1450' to [1461]  
and again from '1467':

Rose Graham, 'Four alien priories in Monmouthshire', J.Brit.Archaeol.  
ASSOC. n.s. 35 (1929), 102-121 at 119 and nn.4,6;

Morgan, English Lands, p.133 and nn.5,7.

## §

## WINDSOR, Berkshire

[63/169-189]

Twenty-one rolls were rediscovered mixed with other estates' and  
bursary account rolls. They must long ago have come adrift from the  
group listed in ECR 9, 'Eton and Windsor [Court Rolls and Rentals]',  
by H.N. Blakiston, typescript unpublished 1943; and 33/187 appears  
to be the companion of a paper sheet written by the same clerk:  
54/29, ETON rents at 1504 Mich.

Seventeen of these rolls are rentals or terriers; three are manorial  
compti; and one is a legal document whose fellows are in ECR 13.  
Most are undated. Conjectured limiting dates are based on ECR 11-13,  
'Windsor' (typescripts, 1943, of J.P. Gilson's calendar of deeds,  
with indexes as 'part 2' of each volume, by H.N. Blakiston, type-  
scripts 1969/70). I have also used the other ECR calendars of Berks.,  
Bucks. and 'misc. estates'; rent rolls from ECR 61; and the still  
[1986] unlisted Lease Books and Evidence Book.

An exhaustive study of ECR 11-13 would very likely set closer dates  
for several rentals listed below. At least the ends of the series are  
dated or datable: revision would not throw many intervening numbers  
out of sequence. It has not been practicable to check approximate  
dates of tenants 'quondam, nuper, modo' by cross-reference from the  
rentals to the calendars. Probates of wills of townfolk - assuming



no confusion between namesakes in different generations - in the first Register Book 1457-1536, 60/REG/1, have helped to settle some dates.

The list of 63/169-189 is preceded by the usual summaries of acquisition of each estate which EC had in New Windsor. I have thought it worth while to make similar summaries first of the two manors in ETON, which had estates in Windsor (see ECR 9) for consistency, although neither is reflected in ECR 63.

[A] BURDEUX' or Church fee.

Acquired 1445 Jan. 24. All the k.'s lands, rents and services in ETON town and parish; with all easements etc. appurtenant within and without Windsor Forest; free of all ward and other services due to Windsor Castle [and honor].

LP: CPR 1441-1446, 334; ECR 39/40/A,B.

\* \* CPR ibid., 360: 1445 Mar. 12. A similar grant, omitting the last clause. In its place, EC to hold from Mich. 1444. There is no note of surrender of the January LP as invalid.

The LP of March are recited in the Consolidation Charter, 1446 Mar. 5: Rot.Parl. v.77b; ECR 39/57. But no copies, cf. the pair sealed with green and with natural wax, 39/40/A,B, have been traced in ECR. The earlier month in 1445 seems therefore to be the one on which EC depended.

Rent rolls 1445, 61/RR/A/20  
until  
1461, /RR/C/1.

\* \* The 1445 roll, r3: Richard Profyte [EC's caterer], rent-collector and estreator of courts, in Rents of Assize cites a rental renewed, 1445 May 21. This has not been traced; it is probably not the headless repaired ECR 54/26. The rent roll shows no separate Windsor rents in Burdeux' fee; but cf. extracts from accounts of collectors of tenths and fifteenths of this fee: 1374 x 1440, ECR 9/12; [1430?], 63/52; above, pp.22,23 s.v. BERKSHIRE. The k.'s grant is cited in the [first?] court of EC's manor, 1445 Nov. 12; ECR 9/2 r1.

Resumed 1461 [implicitly]. See ECR 9 p.4; ECR 61 Appendix D p.100.

\* \* An apparent 'ghost' charter is cited in the document which is a sequel to 39/40/A,B, and its engrossment. ECR 13/802, exemplification of an Inspeximus by Richard duke of York, justice of the k.'s forests this side Trent, 1452 Nov. 1.

At an eyre of Windsor Forest held at Windsor 1451 Sept. 15, [EC] were summoned to show by what warrant they claim their liberties within the forest.

By William Okeden [EC's receiver] their attorney, they claim by charter (recited) of Westminster, 1445 Feb. 25.

The Inspeximus is art.[3], fos.3<sup>v</sup>-5<sup>r</sup>, in the Forest Precedent Book, ECR 60/FOR/1: there dated 1452 Nov. 11. The '1445 Feb. 25' is clear at fo.3v line 20 and in line 5 of 13/802. No LP of that date is in ECR 39 or traced elsewhere.

The last entry indexed to EC in CPR 1441-1446 fortunately shows that the Consolidation Charter, as in the note above to 'Acquired', is meant. At p.443, Westminster 1446 Apr. 8: exemplification of proviso in the act of the parliament held at Westminster, 1445 Feb. 25, by which the k. confirmed to KCC priories etc. already granted by LP, with new grants. Proviso: by pretext of the grants made to KCC by authority of parliament, EC are not to be excluded from any possessions or liberties granted to them by the k. ...

See Rot.Parl. v.66, Parliament of 1445 Feb. 25. EC's Consolidation Charter, no.21, pp.75b-87a, is immediately followed by KCC's Consolidation Charter, no.22, pp.87a-102b (dated 1446 Mar. 16). The proviso exemplified above is the last clause of KCC's charter at p.102ab.

The now deleted piece-number ECR 39/15, '1443 Jan. 24' was proved with some anxiety and labour not to have been lost, but to have been created [precursor apparent of the LP first noted in this heading] by a simple slip in dating. It is a relief that no LP of '1445 Feb. 25' need be sought in vain ...



[B] MOLYNS or Bridge Street fee (as the part in Eton street, properly a suburb of New Windsor, came to be called).

Acquired 1447 Mar. 4. All the lordship, lands etc. of the late Robert Hungerford kt, lord of Moleyns, in ETON and NEW and OLD WINDSOR; which belonged to Robert by right of Eleanor his wife, daughter and heir of William Moleyns kt late lord of Moleyns decd.

LP: Rot,Parl. v.131a. In ECR 39/72 (third of four grants); copied in ECR 39/108 [art.2].

Rent rolls 1447, 61/RR/A/35  
until  
1461, /RR/C/1.

\* \* The 1447 roll, r3: Profyte, collector etc. as in 1445 (p.195). Cites rental renewed, 1446 Dec., by David Whitchurch on information of John Bedell. This is ECR 9/11. (A rental and extent of 1352 Dec. 19 is also cited; no original or copy yet traced in ECR.)

Rents of Agsize: 10s.1d. in WINDSOR newly to be paid as appears by the rental renewed, until the 1352 rental and extent is likewise examined.

Resumed 1461. See ECR 9 p.4; ECR 61 Appendix D p.100.

Mr Blakiston noted in ECR 9 that [ECR 39/72] was revoked by LP, 1462 Aug. 3: CPR 1461-1467, 196.

(1) ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL ['Spital']. <sup>BERKS.</sup> VCH Bucks. ii.101b-102.

[Site: T.E. Harwood, Windsor Old and New (London; published for the author, 1929), pp.41,104. S. of the borough [about a mile from the town centre, over the Cranbourne stream. See Harwood for endowment of 120a. in Windsor Forest by Henry III, 1251.]

Acquired 1446 Mar. 5 [one of the new grants in the Consolidation Charter].

Remainder of the hospital with all rights and appurts., immediately after death of William Normanton clerk, holding of the k. for life.

LP: Rot,Parl. v.81a; ECR 39/57.

Confirmed 1462 Feb. 24. LP: CPR 1461-1467, 73; ECR 39/127. [Edward IV's confirmation of estates not resumed in 1461.]

Bursars' indentures 1458-62 [no receipt in 1460]. ECR 61/BI/B/2 to /C/2 show deliveries from Robert Chippes, at first 26s.8d., rising to 71s.4d.

Rent rolls from 1463. ECR 61/RR/C/7 r11, under heading ETON, Richard Chapman, rent-collector and farmer, has side-line for St. Peter's Hospital rents and farms. 57s.6d. from the hospital in <sup>New</sup> Windsor belonging to EC; as by rental renewed 3 Edw. 4 remaining among memoranda of EC. [The same rotulet is quoted below, LE MOTE and UNDERORE.]

Relevant rolls from group listed below: 63/172,173.

(2) LE MOTE manor in Windsor park.

[Site: Harwood, Windsor Old and New, p.176. 'At this time [1670] the Great Park was extended about as far west as the present Queen Anne's Drive. Between it and Clewer lay the so-called "Moat Park". Henry VI acquired "le Mote" from the Marquess of Suffolk and others in 1444, and presented it first to St. Peter's Hospital, Windsor, and later to Eton College. Edward IV imparked the area ...']

'Moate Parke' can be seen between the Great Park and St. Leonard's Hill, S. of Windsor, in John Norden's map of Windsor Forest (1607; reprinted by Berkshire County Libraries, 1980.)

Acquired 1446 Mar. 5 [new grant in Consolidation Charter].

The manor called Le Mote, and all lands, tens. etc. which the k. lately acquired by gift and grant of William [de la Pole] marquess of Suffolk and [four named esquires], in New and Old Windsor and Clewer; EC to hold in frankalmoin.

LP: Rot. Parl. v. 81a; ECR 39/57.

\*\* ECR 13/770, 1442 Nov. 16. Grant to the earl of Suffolk [and the same four esquires] from John Watkyns and others. The charter gives two earlier lines of title to grantors and mentions the manor's estates in the three parishes.

ECR 13/779, 1446 Feb. 16, grant to the k. by the marquess of Suffolk and the named esquires; 13/783, 1446 June 16, receipt of £250 from provost Waynflete of EC by John Pury esq, one of the grantors; 13/784, 1446 Dec. 9, quitclaim by the burgesses of New Windsor to EC of all rights in the manor.

[I have not traced evidence for Harwood's statement of Henry VI's grant to St. Peter's Hospital before EC's purchase of Le Mote.]

Bursars' indenture 1457, 61/BI/B/1 m2d: LE MOTE in Berks. 'BC.; From William Cokkes and John Bekynnesfeld, £4. D.' [I.e. for Easter term only as the letter-markers for terms show. For C. and B. as farmers, granted a lease by EC in 1457, see 63/178 below.]

This is the only account of receipt before 1463; probably excluded from rent rolls, with MILDENHALLS, for reason noted in (3) below.

Resumed 1461 ECR 61 Appendix D p.107. NB there: three lists have 'bought by the bishop/late bishop of Winchester and given to EC.' Cf. Waynflete's consideration-money received in 13/783 above.

Apparently restored 1463: rent roll, 61/RR/C/7 r11 [see also p.196] 'Rents and farms in Windsor and Underore:  $68s. 0\frac{1}{2}d.$  from lands and tens. in New Windsor and Underore belonging to the manor of LE MOTE belonging to EC as by aforesaid rental [renewed, 1463: see under ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL Rent rolls, p.196].'

Accounts of manor farm 1449/50, and rent receipts 1457, are 63/176-178 below. Other relevant rolls as shown by endorsements or sections of text: 63/169-172.

(3) MILDENHALLS pasture [in Windsor park] (Lost f.n.)

Acquired 1452 Apr. 17. A close or fields called Mildenaldis in the parish of New Windsor (bounds defined: LE MOTE on N.), late of Nicholas Sy. The k. had it by gift of Nicholas Sturgeon clerk (and others named) by charter 1452 Apr. 3.

LP: CPR 1446-1452, 527-28; ECR 13/795 (green wax), 11/213 (natural wax, duplicate).

[ECR 11/211 is the charter of Sturgeon and others to the k., 1452.]

No compoti found, separate or in rent rolls.

\*\* Henry VI stipulated that the fruits, outgoing and profits from LE MOTE manor (above) with (MILDENALE) pasture [and the fishery acquired by exchange with Merton priory, 1443 June 8: ECR 60/LP/2, see APPENDIX 3.1 below, p. —] were to be applied to EC's victualling.

See st.15, Weekly Commons ..., in the published Latin text, Anc. Laws p.529; English text in ECR 58, 'The Statutes' by H.N. Blakiston, typescript unpublished 1973, pp.70-71 [Anc. Laws text collated with the Liber Originalis, LO].

\*\* In LO the statute is no.17 beginning '2<sup>a</sup> pars': ECR 60/STA/1 fos.11v-12v: here, refer to fo.12r lines 35-42. The grant of MILDENHALLS in Apr. 1452 helps to set the terminus ante of LO. Audit roll 1453, 61/AR/A/6 m9 in Empcio necessar' pro scaccario has [translated] '... the writing of a [the?] book of statutes and correction of the other book (alterius), 20s.' Lyte, History, p.18 n.3, cites the entry but gives for source the bare 'Audit Roll, 1452-1453'.

Probably resumed 1461. Not in ECR 61 Appendix D p.107: but most likely implicitly included in the listed LE MOTE manor and SHAW LANDS 'in the new park of Windsor'. Note however the apparent restoration of tens. and rents of LE MOTE in (2) above.

MILDENHALLS does not appear in 63/178, the rents received for LE MOTE in 1457. But see 13/781, which must now be dated '[after 1452]'. The

final ...

final (damaged) paragraph of the indenture in English, the advice and ordinance of the provost and fellows of EC for the good rule and governance of LE MOTE manor, is in the same hand as the foregoing text and not added later (say after 1446). The bursars of EC are to occupy and take 'thadvayle' of Mildenalles from the time of their [annual] election: it is their duty to administer LE MOTE equally for the use of EC. This ordinance clearly is based on st.15/17 cited on p.197.

- (4) Lands and tens. in the manor of UNDERORE  
(The abbot of Reading's fee. See VCH Berks. iii.66.)

[Lost p.n.: EPNS Berks. i.29. Site: NW of Windsor Castle, between the old Datchet road and the Thames; fields extended as far as Datchet (old) ferry. Manor house: old Bank building at the foot of Castle Hill. 'Farm Yard', the short street in front of Riverside BR station, may echo a sometime manorial farmstead. (Street-name not seen in EPNS Berks. i.28.)]

There appear to be one minor and later larger acquisitions by EC.

- (a) Acquired 1452 May 12/20. Feoffment and re-lease of 1 ten. in (Mulle lane) and 3a. arable in two lots in (Lymhostes): both p.n.s. are lost.

Grantor and subsequent lessee for life: Edmund Knyght of New Windsor; Feoffees and regrantors: Provost Westbury and mag. Richard Skylyngton clerk [fellow of EC].

Private charters, sealed: ECR 11/210, 13/793.

The lease to Knyght, paying yearly rent of 1d. at Mich., is not engrossed in the Lease Book 1445-1529, ECR 60/LB/1; not seen in rent rolls cited, presumably because the rents in UNDERORE belonged to LE MOTE (p.197). I cannot identify with certainty as descendants other Knyghts in ECR 11 and 13 indexes, which have no further reference to Edmund K., (Mulle Lane) in Underore, or (Lymhostes).

- (b) Lands and tens. acquired by charters of licence in mortmain, to endow a chantry and chaplain for Provost Bost (1477-1504†).

Acquired 1506 July 10. Richard Payn(e), clerk; Richard Kyte, clerk; Richard Bl(o)unt, gent.; and Thomas Hunt(te): to Provost Lupton and EC. The estates in (Eton and) NEW WINDSOR which grantors lately held, with Edmund Mundevyle, clerk, and John Barton (Burton), both decd; by grant from Henry Bost, clerk decd: to uses, as in indentures between EC and The Queen's College, Oxford, in performance of Bost's last will.

[These indentures, and drafts, will be calendared in a future volume of ECR, 'Obits and chantries'.]

There are three dispersed deeds dated 1506 July 10. ECR 54/30 is the grant; 31/433 is Lupton's appointment of attorneys to take seisin; (and 41/289-291 relate to lands and tens. in Datchet and Eton).

Payne and the five others had bought lands and tens. in New Windsor and elsewhere in Berks., to the value of £20 within £27 licensed, in LP of 1504 Nov. 25: CPR 1494-1509, 385; ECR 39/148. An office copy of the Inquisition ad quod dampnum, Berks., empowering the purchase, dated Easthampstead, 1503 June 8, is 63/89, pp.80-82 above.

Names of feoffees to uses overlap with those in an earlier licence, LP of 1501 Mar. 23: CPR ibid., 241-42; ECR 39/156. These LP are endorsed with a memorandum, 1504 Nov. 25 (printed in CPR at 385) of purchase to the value mentioned above.

Those other feoffees were William Lynde and Richard Mason, empowered to buy estates to the same uses in Eton and Datchet, following an Inquisition ad quod dampnum, Bucks. No copy of this has been found in ECR; it is cited without date in 39/156. Lynde and Mason also bought estates in Berks. outside Windsor: see 63/89; and they are indexed in ECR 11 and 13 (Windsor deeds) and 54 (Eton and misc.).

Lynde and Mason acquired the lands and tens. in UNDERORE, 1501 Aug. 30, from mag. John Spark [fellow of EC, who had held with mag. John Pereson, fellow decd]: 13/907. The descent of title, going by the various rentals of UNDERORE listed below, appears to be:



John Scotte, 1498 (to Pereson, Sparke and others): ECR 13/900;  
1487 (to Provost Bost and EC): 13/876.

Scotte alias Cony received a quitrent first noticed in 1508 (Cony alias Scott in 1510). See summary of UNDERORE in rent rolls below.

William and Agnes Bolley, 1471 (to Scotte and others): 13/843.

\* \* William Bolley was the son of Robert B. by 1st wife Isabel, and half-brother of Henry, son by 2nd wife Agnes. The three underlined occur in the UNDERORE rentals (they held also elsewhere). William followed his father as serjeant of the k.'s ewery: he was granted for life, from 1449 Mich., the keeping of the Castle garden, at such wage and fees as Robert had from issues of the lordship or Castle [honor]. This grant by LP, CPR 1452-1461, 33 (1452 Jan. 18) was in lieu of a surrendered invalid grant of 1446 June 1, annulled by act in parliament at Westminster, 1449 Nov. 6.

(The annulment - the first effort towards acts of resumption in the reign of Henry VI - must relate to the Commons' protest against payment of household wages by dishonoured assignments. See Wolffe, Royal Demesne, p.116 n.58. The point is relevant: it helps to date the presumed resignation or death of Robert Bolley, and his son William's succession to an office in the king's household.

Robert was alive in 1447: his rental of Sept. 20, 63/174, below. He was dead by 1451 July: 11/209. That sets a terminus ante to the abbot of Reading's rental 'temp. R.B.', 63/175 below.

Another name in parallel descent of EC's title is William Blakman. His 'sometime' lands in UNDERORE are noted as 'now EC's' in the abbot's English rental and in EC's: 63/184,186 below. Blakman with others was granted the reversion of Henry Bolley's estate in 1471 after the death of Agnes Bolley: 13/841. Blakman was holding in 1476; but a ten. 'late Blakman's' is a boundary in a quitclaim to Bost, 1491: 11/234.

The legal documents in 63/185 below bring in another line, which must be included because a roll apparently unrelated to others in 63/169-189 must be explained in context. I have dated 63/185 [1496-98] from the cognate documents 13/893,894,899-901 (1495-98) from which it may have strayed. The case of the complainant Richard Passche against Bost and EC for wrongful disseisin is summarised from fo.1 of the roll.

John Place sometime of Windsor was seised of (a) a messuage called The Christopher and seven adjacent tens. in Windsor; (b) 7a.3r. land in UNDERORE field.

John's 2nd dau. Isabel m. Robert Bolley as 1st wife. John Place gave the estate to them and their heirs; failing issue, to his heirs general. Robert and Isabel's son William Bolley was seised in fee tail after the death of his parents.

John's 1st dau. Millicent m. as her 2nd husband William Bullock (ECR 12/590). Their son William had issue, John Bullock.

After William Bolley's death, the estate descended to John Bullock as heir of William Bolley and of John Place. John Bullock being seised enfeoffed Richard Passche.

(In the suit, EC claimed lawful title in a different descent from heirs of William Bolley: intervening grant and refoffment, 13/804 and 11/218. After that descent was contested by Passche, and the mayor and [seniors] of Windsor arbitrated, he granted and quitclaimed to EC in 1498.)

I don't doubt that further forays into indexes and calendars ECR 11 and 13, with dips into ECR 12 for earlier Windsor deeds, would yield exhaustively detailed descents of the UNDERORE lands gradually acquired by EC's precursors in title. The disentangling of families, with namesakes in different generations, and widows who remarried, is impracticable except for names occurring in the present rolls, within time reasonably to be spent by an archivist.

#### UNDERORE in (ETON and WINDSOR) rent rolls

I find 'lands of Mr H. Bost' named with sum received only in 1507: Rentale of audit book. Here I give dates with references where there are significant changes. Nowhere does it seem possible to adduce any



receipts from the estate acquired for Bost's chantry; but the C16 quitrents and rents resolute probably relate to parts of it.

1463- 61/RR/C/7 r11 (in LE MOTE manor, p.196 above in §1); to  
1488 /RR/E/4 r1.

The sum, at first 68s.0 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., diminishes to 48s.6d.

In 1488 a rental renewed in 1487 is cited. That looks to be ECR 9/20.

1489 61/RR/E/5 r1. WINDSOR & UNDERORE, £6.8.5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ., by 'said' rental.

1490 /RR/E/6 r1. ... £7.6.9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ., rental renewed this year.

1496 /RR/E/12 r1. ... £8.13.1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ., citing rental renewed 1490.

1497 /RR/E/13 r1-1d. ETON has new sidelines:

Rents and farms late the rectory's; [the same] late bought from various people.

The same sum is received from WINDSOR & UNDERORE; next:

Rents and farms from ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL, 66s.8d. from several lands & tens. belonging to EC as by [rental renewed 1490. For the hospital, see p.196 §1 above.]

Defect of rents includes SHAW LANDS imparked within the new park of Windsor by King Edward IV late k. of England.

1507 62/AB/1, Audit Book 1506 x 1529, Rentale at p.29:

ETON rents with WINDSOR, HORN[ED] WEIR [Old Windsor opposite Datchet], and with lands of Mr H. Bost,

From Thomas Buknell for lands of Mr Bost this year £13.6.8. [The only line of receipt against the heading.]

1508 61/RR/E/19 r1-1d. ETON with WINDSOR, HORNED WEIR & others [incl. ETON WICK]:  
£57.11.0 $\frac{1}{2}$ . from rents and farms ...

Allowed: 18d. yearly rent from lands & tens. in WINDSOR sometime Bolleys, paid to John Scot alias Cony. [Cf. 198-99 above.]  
21d. to the abbot of Reading for UNDERORE lands & tens. ...  
[And £4 for the Brocas (Brokescroft in Eton) to Mr Rotheram or Grove's heirs, occupied to use of EC.

George (and Joan) Rotheram, lords of the manor, 1493-1526:  
VCH Bucks. iii.265; and 63/88, pp.76,77 above: Eton hidage.]

1510 61/RR/G/1 r1. Almost the same receipt. Now added in Allowed, quitrents 5s. yearly to the lord of CLEWER for lands & tens. in UNDERORE, and 1 lb. of pepper for 2a. land by DATCHET ferry [in Underore fields].

The last extant entry before Underore went to the Crown:

1542 61/RR/G/26 r1. ETON, WINDSOR and elsewhere.  
Rents and farms [consolidated as] £99.10.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

In Rents resolute, 47s.11d. to the k. for the late abbot of Reading's fee [UNDERORE].

#### 63/169-189, Summary list

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|-------------|----------------------------|---|
| <u>169.</u> | [1386 x 1408]              | RENTAL: Herteley's  |
| <u>170.</u> | 1408 [Mich. ?]             | RENTAL: Chichele's sometime Herteley's  |
| <u>171.</u> | 1443 <u>Mar.</u> 26        | RENTAL: John Pury's   |
| <u>172.</u> | [1446x1463+]               | RENTAL: [EC's] Le Mote manor (and Spital)                                     |
| <u>173.</u> | [1446x1463+]               | RENTAL: [EC's] Spital (and Eton)  |
| <u>174.</u> | 1447 <u>Sept.</u> 30       | RENTAL: Robert Bolley's   |
| <u>175.</u> | [Before 1451 <u>July</u> ] | RENTAL: Abbot of Reading's, Underore,<br>temp. Robert Bolley [AND SEE 63/184] |

<u>176.</u>	1449 Mich.)	
<u>177.</u>	1450 Mich.)	COMPOTI: EC's manor of Le Mote
<u>178.</u>	1457 Mich.)	
<u>179.</u>	1462 Oct. 6	RENTAL: Henry Bolley's
<u>180.</u>	[ <del>1451:2</del> 1471]	TERRIER: Henry and Agnes Bolley's
<u>181.</u>	[1460s-70s]	TERRIER, later copy of part of 63/180
<u>182.</u>	[1460s?]	TERRIER: abbot of Reading's, Underore, temp. Henry Bolley
<u>183.</u>	[1504x151Z?]	TERRIER, later copy of part of 63/182
<u>184.</u>	[1490 <del>4</del> 1490?]	RENTAL: abbot of Reading's late Blakman's [copy of 63/175]
<u>185.</u>	[1496-98]	LEGAL: R. Passche v. EC. Bill of complaint &c.
<u>186.</u>	[c.1500]	RENTAL: EC's lands late Blakman's
<u>187.</u>	1504 Mich.	RENTAL: EC's tenants in New Windsor
<u>188/</u> <u>A,B.</u>	[1541/42 <sup>1?</sup> ]	DRAFT of RENTAL 1542 (two bifolia)
<u>189.</u>	[1554]	RENTAL: EC's, New Windsor including Underore late Bost's.

\* \* The list should be read with ECR 9 pp.16-18 (9/7-23). Consult also ECR 11-13 and their indexes for names of former tenants.

#### Description of the rolls

63/169. [1386 x 1408] HERTELEY'S RENTAL

Parchment, 2 ms. Contemporary hand. Heading faded and stained, with repaired defects in upper part. No text on dorse. Many 'modo' alterations to names and 'inquiratur' against several sums in column at right. Headings and extracts translated and sums put in arabic numbers for convenience (so in the other Latin rolls).

Membrane 1 Rental of Robert Herteley of his tenements in New Windsor, Old Windsor and Clewer; and of rents of assize and farm of lands and tens. there, payable at Lady Day and Mich., equal portions.

Rents of Assize Thomas Knyghtle now Elena Arundell ... William Petyt. Several lines damaged in the defects. Sum 33s. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Rents of tenements Henry Newenham ... a shop opposite Windsor fishery. Sum £13.11.4.

Farms of lands Adam Capron at Bullock's lock ... John Petyt, a fishery by Romney and an eyot in the Thames.

Membrane 2 sum [of farms] 49s. 8d.

Total sum: £17.14.7 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Memoranda on heriot and relief due from Thomas Dalarage, from his ten. in Underore; and on two days' autumn work owed to Herteley from Walter le Peyntour from 2 crofts abovesaid [in Farms, line 4].

Endorsed [C15/16 hand familiar throughout ECR 63, unattributed]

Rental de Moote /Moote inverted below free edge.  
[There is another fragment faded and part lost in mended hole, not readable with ultraviolet.]

Limiting dates ECR 9/8 (9 Ric.2), and 63/170.

\* \* Line-by-line noting of tens. in Windsor streets and fields will link the rental to the endorsement - not evident from m1 heading.

63/170. 1408 [Mich.?] CHICHELE'S RENTAL.

Parchment, 1 m. Stained and faded in parts. Few lines on dorse.  
Rental of Robert Chichele of his tens. sometime Robert Hertele's in

New Windsor [etc. as in /169] yearly: 9 Hen.4.

[Most sums in column at right are faded; two names underlined with X at left, to delete?]

Begins with a group not headed or sidelined:

John Cyfirwast for the manor called le Moot ... Richard Fysshier for a garden at [Le] Worth. Cyfirwast pays 10 marks for the manor and named lands; cf. the next, badly faded, entry:

The dean of the college [of St. George's Chapel, no other making sense in a context of Windsor] for site of manor called Mota, 26s.8d. (I cannot explain this.) No discernible sum for this group.

Rents of tens. John Burgeis for the messuage of his where he lives ... Margaret Brounyngs for a garden [?: faded below a modo William Burgess's ten., but De eadem is plain.]

Rents of assize John Mewes for a messuage in Priest Street ... Walter Bernard for a messuage in Underore: then two faded and partly deleted lines.

Total sum, at foot £13.8.9.

Dorse (top line cropped) four plots and one curtilage, below the Castle and by the bridge.

Endorsed [hand as in /169] Rental de Mote.

63/171. 1443 Mar. 26

JOHN PURY'S RENTAL

Parchment, 2 ms. below tongue-shaped wrapper sewn at head (blank but for endorsements). One entry partly deleted on m2d. One bold business hand throughout text; many corrections in a smaller hand, not much later, to names and sums.

Membrane 1 Le Mote by Windsor. Rental of John Pury esq. made there on [date in modern style above].

Rents of assize in New Windsor Elena Arundell (now Plummer) ... Roger Wayte (now in the lord's hands), a curtilage and 1a. in le Worth, late John Wayte's and previously William Glasier's.  
Sum, 32s.4d.

Rents of assize in Underore William Sherman (now Gilbert Par, three years in arrear), a ten. late of Thomas Dalarage [cf. /169, p.201]; and he will give heriot and relief when it falls in ... a ten. late Nicholas Hertley's previously Estes' (inquiratur). [Several notes of 'distraigned' in margin.]  
Sum, 4s.4d.

Membranes 1-2 Rents at will there

John Avelyn, a croft at le Shawe ... John Altham, 15a. in Clewer field; others named without detail, followed by  
ex.<sup>s</sup> Sum (struck through), 48s.

Membrane 2 various unheaded

Peter Herde occupies the manor (and detailed tens. within Le Mote); with memoranda in paler ink on Pury, Robert Bolley and others. Sums of rents by deeds end with sum of the old valor, £13.3.4.

Repayments yearly from the manor to The Castle 30s.6d.;  
to the sheriff of Bucks. 16s.8d.;  
to the chief forester 6s.8d. 53s.10d.

Valor clear: £14.14.3.

Membrane 2d a note on a rent from Richard Smyth for 1a. sometime Robert Hertele's previously Gardeners in [le Worth, and another struck through].

Endorsed mid below tongue [as above] Rental de Mote [1724, Thomas Martin]: (11).

Traced to Digest fo.20, Drawer (30), 'Windsor Deeds of later dates ... (11.) A parcell of Rentals & deeds belonging to the Mote Mannor'.

63/172. [1446 x 1463+] EC's RENTAL: LE MOTE (and Spital)

Parchment, 1 m. Defects at top repaired. Dorse blank. Old brass pin at left at an entry in 'le Spitell'. In the hand of David Whitchurch, except for a memorandum of 1460 at foot. Several names have + and . at left.

Heading within brace Le Mote sums in column at right.

Rents

+. § John Plummer for rent of 1 ten. in which he lives and for 1 garden in Peascod Street ...

John Hampton (now W[illiam] Frances', added in blacker ink) and his wife for farm of 1 garden sometime John Depden's lately Robert Marett's. Sum, at left, 49s.6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Rents include: ++. The proctors of [the gild of] Holy Trinity, 1 cottage in Goswell lane sometime of Janyng of the hall, 8d. (See note below on this gild.) There are also several in Underore and one at Le Schawe. For SHAW LANDS imparked, see p.200 above, in 1497 rent roll.

Two entries below a space: one of six years' arrears and no receipt, from a little house opposite the stile (scallar') of the cemetery, and the other of 4d. from a rent of a garden and half an acre in Le Worth.

Below a heading in the second hand, Le Spitell, two farmers of three lands:

John Bekeneffelde, 6a. arable in CLEWER field, 10s;  
and 1a. and a half in Le Worth, 2s.6d.;

[The pin lies across the membrane here]

William Fraunceys, 8a. arable in Le Worth, 13s.4d. [Not summed].

At foot: (English) Md/ of all this Rent John Lambe hath payd to Mr Thomas Barker Viprovoost [1460 Dec. 18] in party of the seyd rent 15s.9d.

[I have failed to trace the payment in extant account rolls.]

Endorsed [as above] Moote Rental

Limiting dates acquisition of estates: above, pp.196-7 §2; and end of Whitchurch's work or life. His will, 1463 Oct. 1, was proved by Provost Westbury 1464 Nov. 30: ECR 60/REG/1 p.105.

63/173. [1446 x 1463+] EC'S RENTAL: SPITAL (and Eton)

Parchment, 2 ms. Text on m2d. Brass pin at left near head. Three hands, one possibly that of William Okeden (Provost's clerk working 1445-59†). Names and sums in m1 and m2 heavily corrected and in parts now illegible.

Membrane 1 Le Spitell

Margaret Wayte (Richard Gascon above line), her rent for land at Spital for one year (sum twice corrected, to 43s.4d.) ...

The proctors of charity of Holy Trinity [etc. as in /172: but why here in the other manor as it appears, is not clear.]

There are intervening headings, Shawland, and Windsor and Underore, possibly written with original entries but maybe added in spaces later. Sum, struck through, 119s.6d.

Membrane 2 [no heading, but names of persons and places recognized as of ETON]

Thomas Asshby, for farm of the hospice lately bought from Thomas Jourdelay ...

Richard Clerk, for 18a. and a half of rectory land there.

Three sub-totals at left struck through or corrected; the apparent clear total is £9.12.6 $\frac{1}{2}$ .



63/173 contdMembrane 2d [same hand as m2]

Due to the College in the time of John Vyner by various tenants  
Two groups of names with individual debts but nothing in Sum below  
each group:

Margaret Wayte 47s. [? received 13s.4d.] ... John Cowper, 8d.;

John Fremley [blank] ... Simon Fort, 43s.2d.

At foot of m2d, jotted total twice corrected: clear apparently,  
£16.19.2 $\frac{1}{2}$ . He [Vyner?] has superplus 35s.

Endorsed [as above] Rental de le Spyttell.

Limiting dates acquisition of estates; above, p.196 §1 [I think that  
the Eton portion comes after 1445/47, pp.195-6 §§ A,B] and confirma-  
tion of Spital as not resumed, p.196 §1.

\*\* For the gild of Holy Trinity, see Shelagh Bond, 'The medieval  
constitution of New Windsor', Berks. Archaeol.J. 65 (1971-72),  
21-39 at 34-35.

John Vyner, rent-collector for Eton, is in the bursars' indenture of  
1477 only for sure (61/BI/C/15). He may be in the damaged indenture  
of 1475 (BI/C/13); but he is 'late' in 1476 (BI/C/14); and 1480-82  
when his arrears seem to be coming in (BI/C/18-20). With no proven  
piece in his hand, I cannot attribute 63/173 md-2d to him. The clean-  
cut m2 sewn to m1 may well be a fortuitous economy practised years  
after the Spital rental was made and corrected, for there is no good  
archival reason perceptible now for tacking together the two places.

63/174. 1447 Sept. 30

RENTAL: ROBERT BOLLEY'S

Parchment, 2 ms. Tear at top repaired. Text on dorse. Almost all in  
hand of named writer; few later corrections.

Membrane 1 Rental of master Robert Bollo made [date above] by  
Oliver Brentyngham.

Side-head: New Windsor, of Matthewes' lands. (Names at right;  
tenures detailed in centre; sums braced at right.)

[Some in lost field-names in Windsor; several in Underore].

[Extent and valor with sum braced]: 26a. arable,) 42s.1d.  
5a. meadow )

Rents resolute: the k. 19d.;  
the abbot of Reading 8s.8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.; and three named.

Islepes tenement runs on to

Membrane 2 24a.1r. arable, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ a.1r. meadow: 32s.7d.

Rent resolute to the abbot, 9s.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

[These follow names and tenures, abridged similarly hereafter]

Fellees tenement

cued at foot to continue on

Membrane 2d 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. arable, 5a. meadow: 21s.4d.

[Rent resolute] to the abbot, 4s.6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. (Two sums.)

New Windsor

[m1 Matthewes ten. entry repeated, not summed]

Placees tenement

7a. arable, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. meadow: [no sum]

Rents resolute: the abbot, 22d.; two to Richard Smyth.

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[WINDSOR]

63/174 m2d contd/A continuation from m1 of Matthewes' ten.

Further extent only, 4a. land, not detailed or summed.

New Windsor [additional, runs on toMembrane 1dRents resolute to the abbot and one to Richard Smyth, 3s.8d.  
[And after to hastily-written entries, two cottages]Rent resolute to the k. by right of his Castle [honor] 4s.6d.Lands in Dorney and Boveney [both Bucks.]

Matthew Roulande, ten. and lands detailed; one solid section of several holdings ends with dues from each acre but no sum at right.

Rents resolute John Skotte 6s.1d., Richard Lovell 6s.8d.Farms in Eton[Erased] holds Brocas croft, 30a., yearly 74s.4d.;Thomas Jourdelay, pasture and arable in Midfurlong, 3s.4d.;Thomas Profite, meadow and pasture called Little Bradmere, 10a., 3s.;

Sixteen tenants at rents of assize, Richard Spraget ... Henry Bolley.

No sum. Text ends some way above foot.

Endorsed [as above] Rental de terris in Nova Wind ... [faded and illegible with ultraviolet; other lands or Bolley's name not seen.]

\* \* Throughout, several tenants' names look to be carefully written over erasures; but I have failed to make out any earlier names which might correspond with previous rentals, in ECR 63, ECR 9 or indexed names in ECR 11-13. But detailed perusal of tenures may show some continuity. I have here used place-name headings and rents resolute merely as cues to each group.

63/175. [Before 1451 July] RENTAL: ABBOT OF READING, UNDERORE

Paper, 1 fo.; creased near foot. Brief one-line entries with 'o' at left, except for one braced group (Nicholas and Joan Capron).

One business hand, maybe later copy from original of posited date.

Dorse blank, except for jotted sum near foot.

The abbot of Reading's rents in Underore by Windsor.

Robert Upnor, 1 messuage and 5a. land, 18d.;

Robert Bolley, 8a. land sometime Islepes, 2s.1d.;

[and from him for several more] ...

Nicholas Capron, 1 messuage, 12d.Sum on dorse: 33s.9d.No endorsement.

Dated from Robert Bolley's cited date of death (ECR 11/209, p.199 above) and assuming that he made payments in his lifetime as the list of (quit?)rents shows.

63/176. 1459. COMPOTUS: LE MOTE MANOR.

Mag. Thomas Weston [see below], supervisor.

Parchment, 2 ms. Tattered at head. Written by David Whitchurch. Dorses blank except for short filing- -title and second addition of date at mid free edge.

Membrane 1 [Account from Mich. 27 to Mich. 28 Hen.6]Arrears: none because quit at last year's account;Rents: 59s.4d. from rents and farms as appears by a paper of mag. Thomas, shown and examined at this account.

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[WINDSOR]

63/176 Membrane 1 contd/

Corn sales: 46s.10d. to the bailiff of Clewer and others  
 Sale and cartage of firewood: 26s.8d. to Richard Profite [EC's  
 caterer] and others: and 13s. from mag. Richard Skylyngton for  
 26 cartloads of corn[?] tithes from Eton to Le Mote this year.  
 [A R.S. was Fellow 1444-53: Sterry, Register p.xxviii.]

Foreign receipts: £27.13.4; six payments supplied by (de providencia) Mr Provost, detailed.

Total receipts: £34.19.2.

[The rest of m1 and all of m2 have headings and text typical of a manorial farm account. The penultimate section of m2, Stipends of servants with livery, has

Robert Goodgrome, serjeant of Mote, Henry [interlined] and John his sons, stipend this year 46s.8d. and russet cloth for their gowns. Robert also has 2q. of wheat for his sustenance, 9s.4d.

Total expenses and payments: £34.13.2 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Et debet 5s.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Endorsed [Whitchurch; part faded and torn]:

Compotus de Mote Anno xxvij<sup>o</sup> Magistro Thoma Weston tunc custode ibidem  
 [In a crude C18 hand, familiar from rent rolls in ECR 61]  
 H 6. 38 [sic]

63/177. 1460. COMPOTUS: LE MOTE MANOR.

Mag. Thomas Weston, supervisor [keeper, in endorsement as on /176].

Parchment, 2 ms. Written and endorsed by Whitchurch; text on m1d-2d.

Membrane 1 [Account from Mich. 28 to Mich. 29 Hen.6]

Arrears tally with the Debet in /176;

Rents and farms detailed, ending that many rents and arrears cannot be received; sum 34s.8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Corn sales: £8.17.3;

Outgoings of the manor: 106s.5d.

Foreign receipts: 53s.6d. from Mr Provost for this year's necessary expenses written above.

Total receipts: £18.18.10.

Membrane 2 [side-heads and text of typical farm work and expenses]

Near foot, Stipends ... Robert Goodgrome now bailiff and serjeant, quarterly stipend [not extracted] with 3s.4d. for woollen cloth for his son Henry's gown: 50s.; and Walter Thedom, college carter, this year 33s.4d. Paid £4.3.4.

At foot, Payment of tithes and rewards:

Tithes to the vicar of New Windsor, for firewood and other sales,	<u>2s.</u> ;
Reward to the above supervisor for his diligent work this year,	<u>20s.</u> ;
Reward to Nicholas Lovell, rent-collector; for two years,	<u>2s.</u> ;
Reward to David Whitchurch, clerk [of accounts], writer of this account this year	<u>12d.</u>

Membranes 1d-2d

Exitus grangie; live and dead stock account.

Endorsed Le Mote manerium Compotus magistri Thome Weston custodis ibidem de anno xxix no R' H. vj ti.

\* \* Mag. Thomas Weston. The supervisor is presumably the same man as the Fellow of EC 1441-53; vac. on appointment as warden of Deerhurst priory, Glos. He had been bursar 1446-7, 1449-50. Sterry, Register p.xxviii; Emden, BRUO 2025b.

63/178. 1457. COMPOTUS: LE MOTE MANOR.

John Clerc, collector of rents and farms.

Parchment, 1 m. Small tear at top centre through natural blemish. In Whitchurch's hand. Dorse blank except for endorsement of detail.

For the year Mich. 35 to Mich. 36 Hen.6.

Arrears from preceding account, not filled in.

Rents of assize begin: 4s.4d. from rent, of John Plummer, virger of the k. 's college of Windsor [St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle], paid this year at Lady Day and Mich. as appears by rental ...

(He heads the list in 63/172, p.203 above, but without title of office.) ...

Not received, 3s.4d. rent yearly, 1 curtilage and 1a. land in Le Worth, sometime William Glasyere's and afterwards John Wayte's, because in the lord's hands; demised to Roger Wayte by copy of court [roll] and therefore received among farms, as below. [Sum blank]

Rents of assize in Underore 7d. rent from Gilbert Parre esq. for 1 ten. sometime Thomas Dalerage's ... 16d. rent from John Clerc for 1 garden which he holds by copy of court etc. [Sum blank]

Farms 2s. from John Avelyn for farm of 1 croft at le Schawe;  
2s. recd from Roger Wayte, 1 garden beside his ten. and 3p. land leased to him by copy of Court [see above];

20s. from Geoffrey the Queen's cook for 1 ten. in which John Cornysch lately dwelt [see below];

2s.6d. from John Hampton and his wife, dau. and heiress of Robert Marett, for rent of 1 garden sometime in tenure of John Depeden this year;

£8 from farm of William Cokkes and John Bekenesfeld, of the manor of Mote with buildings, lands, meadows, grazings, pastures, fishponds and pools and other appurts, including estrays; except rents of tens. within and without Windsor borough and Romney meadow, chattels of fugitive felons and other profits which the bailiff of the Liberty can acquire by his office: thus demised to them at farm from 1456 Mich. for 7 years, this the first year.

Sum & total [blank]

Rents resolute 4d. to Roger Wayte, farmer of Clewer, for rent of EC's land.

Endorsed [late C15] le Mote  
[? Martin, 1724] Comput: firmarii 36 Hen: 6. [Written either side of the old title.]

\* \* The only early Windsor lease engrossed in ECR 60/LB/1, fos.12<sup>v</sup>-13<sup>r</sup>, is to Geoffrey Wright, valet of the k. 's household: 1452 May 1, 21 years from Mich. 1452, 20s., for the ten. opposite Windsor gaol in which John Cornysch lately dwelt. That detail tallies with the farm of Geoffrey the q. 's cook above.

The farm of the Mote manor to Cokkes and Bekenesfeld: I cannot trace the indenture in 60/LB/1 engrossed, or abstracted in 60/EB/A or /B, or in ECR 11-13 (Windsor deeds), calendars of Berks. or misc.

63/179. 1462 Oct. 6. HENRY BOLLEY'S RENTAL.

Exemplification. Parchment, 1 m. One business hand in text and endorsement. Dorse otherwise blank.

Heading Rental of rents from New Windsor sometime John London's.

From Robert Hertele [cf. 63/169, p.201 above], rent of assize of 3a. arable in (Hiefelde) by (Pokelane) afterwards John Wheteman's, 20d.;

From John Sloo of (Coworth) for Cristina Pokelane, rent of assize for 6a., 4d.

Certification of the arrentation made at New Windsor, 1359 Apr. 16,



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by William of Wykeham and associates: of all the k.'s lands and tens. in Windsor, Berks., given to the k. by sir William Trussell of Kibblestone [in Stone, Staffs.: note below], kt; and extent in money of all customs and works of free and native tenants of the k. ... and of common assigned in Windsor Forest to tenants written below.

(Edward III's commission to Wykeham and others, by LP dated Westminster 1359 Mar. 20, is recited.) Videlicet:

From John Whately for his tens. there; rent to the k. by hand of the constable of the Castle of the time being, 8s.; first portion payable at Mich. next; holding for the rent forever to himself and his heirs from the k. for all services, heriots, reliefs, all customs and demands except suit of the two courts [LD and Mich.] at the Castle;

From Cristina of (Pukkelane) for her tens., yearly at LD and Mich.: 4d.

[Exemplification]

Rental renewed and examined at New Windsor according to the ancient rental made in the time of William of Wykeham and others, of lands and tens. there in the time of John Bourgchier lord of Berners, constable of the k.'s Castle of Windsor [1461-74: GEC ii.153] by John Frampton clerk of the Castle, 6 Oct. 2 Edw.4:

From Henry Bolley, for rents of assize: 3a. arable by (Pokelane) sometime John Whately's, afterwards Mathewes' and lately Robert Bolley's [cf. 63/174, pp.204,205 above], yearly, 20d.;

From the same Henry [the 6a. Cristina Pokelane's/John Sloo's/Robert Bolley's] 4d. (Text ends above foot)

Endorsed (English) This is a cotype made out of the Court Rolles of the Castell of Wyndesore to shewe howe that Harry Bolley holdeth his londe that he beres rent fore in to the Castell and what he payeth yerely and wherfore he payeth it.

\* \* Lost p.n.s in (). (Coworth) not seen in EPNS xlix (Berks. i); at 22, in CLEWER lost f.n.s, (Highe Feld); at 35-6 in WINDSOR in lost f.n.s, (Pokelane) - in fact a lane in Underore as rentals show.

Sir William Trussell of Kibblestone. MS has (Coblesdon). Modern form of p.n. shown in Tout, Chapters, vi.55: Trussell as k.'s yeoman and receiver of the Chamber of Edward III 1333-35; and VCH Staffs. i.229.

63/180. [1451 x 1471] HENRY & AGNES BOLLEY'S TERRIER

[Adapted from 'Robert' erased in heading to 'Henry', his son by his 2nd wife Agnes. In the text, 'the said Robert and Agnes his wife' or Robert alone, occur often, uncorrected; and the contents do not match the heading. The dates must be left vague, limited by recorded citations of deaths of Robert (ECR 11/209) and of Agnes (13/841). Agnes may have been dead in 1470, when her son Henry is sole grantor of a ten. in Underore (13/389).]

Parchment; 2 ms, m1 stained. Text of heading and ms 1,2 in one business hand. Rougher contemporary hand wrote side-notes of names of tens., and acreages. Text on m2d is in brown ink in a third business hand, contemporary; with sum, and possibly dots by names, in the second.

Membrane 1 Terrier of Henry [Robert not recovered in erasure] Bolley esq. and Agnes his wife [here recte mother] of tens. [etc., with interlinings] in New Windsor, and Underore in the abbot of Reading's fee, in Berks. [And in Eton, Boveney and Dorney, Bucks: not present. Cf. Robert Bolley's rental 63/174 at p.205 above.]

Mathewes. 1a. arable in Underore field between Thomas Cowper's land on E. ... 1a. meadow between Robert & Agnes Bolley's land called Iselepis on N., Richard Smyth's land on S. in width; in length, between [the Bolleys'] land called Fellees on E. and [their] land called

63/180 m1 contd/

Mathewes on W. Acreage: arable  $18\frac{1}{2}$ ; meadow 5.

Islepes of the tenement called Iselepis

Two eyots S. of Underore mill ... 1a. meadow called (Hertacre) in Underore between Richard Smyth's land on N. and a meadow of [the Bolleys] on S. (Islepes continues on)

Membrane 2

... 1r. meadow in Underore, in length by the Thames on N. and William Towe's land on S., in width [in length also, repeated] on Thames on E. and the abbot of Reading's land on W.

Acreage:  $35\frac{1}{2}$  a. 1r/36 & 1r. arable;  $2\frac{1}{2}$  a. 1r. meadow.

Felleys  $1\frac{1}{2}$  a. arable on (Stonehill) between land of John Avelyn on N.

... 1r. arable in Underore between land of Richard Smyth on N. and of William Towe, Richard & Thomas Poomfrete on S. in width; in length, one end abuts on William Towe's land on E. and W.

Acreage: arable, 19a. 2r.; meadow, 5a.

Belonging to Mathewes' ten. 1a. arable in (le valey) between Robert Bolley's land called Iselepes on E. and W. ... 1a. land in (Spelt-hurste) between John Thorp's land on S. and the lane called (Pokelane) on N. Acreage: arable, 11a.

[Several unclassified tens. follow: rents of tens. and lands bought by Robert Bolley.]

From R.B. esq. for Underore mill; 40 year term: 46s. 8d. yearly, then to end of 90 years, 60s. yearly:

6a. meadow over against Datchet ferry, which John Avelyn, R.B.'s attorney, lately bought from Thomas Faireffeld of New Windsor [no sum];

1 ten. bought by R.B. from John Cotyngham, sometime Vanners[?], between the king's highway on S. and a stall of Robert's on N., extending to the ten. which R.B. bought from John Pury on E. and (Smethes-lane) on W., accustomed rent 20s.

Membrane 2d

[Nine other tens., mostly with 'bought by R.B.' in descriptions. The last is:]

1 ten. sometime Mogenhodes in Underore between the king's highway on S. and an empty plot belonging to EC on N. in length; in width between the lane called [blank] on E. and Thomas Capron's ten. on W.; accustomed yearly rent 2s. 8d.

[EC's plot is presumably that leased in 1452: p.198 above in §4(a).]

Rents which Robert Bolley owes the abbot of Reading

[Sixteen, sidemarked with . or o; two have non] 8a. land sometime Thomas Islepes, 2s. 1d. and suit of court ... 1a. land opposite the mill gate, 12d., and for lands which he holds by copy, 7s. 11d.

Sum 30s. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Endorsed m2d left head, bold late C15: Terror' Henrici Bolley

m1d free edge (badly faded: apparently reads) Territorium Henrici Bolley [C15] and - misleadingly - bold early C16

Eton & Underore

63/181. [1460s-70s] UNDERORE TERRIER [later copy of /180, part]

[Adapted from Robert Bolley's rental, 63/174: above, pp.204-5. The first entry, (John Avelyn's 7a. arable in several lost fields) has the unnamed farmer paying 'the said Henry' [Bolley] instead of 'the said Robert': no erasure but name clear in text. Rents resolute after acreages and valors of the various grounds listed follow /174: but the early mention of Henry Bolley looks to confirm it as a new version, with text of /180 following that of /174.]

63/181 contd/ ...

63/181 contd/

Parchment, 1 m.; text runs on to most of dorse. Top cut to tongue-shape with some inches blank. One hand throughout.

Front centred heading: Of lands called Mathewes.

[First entry as in headnote, p.209 above] ... 1a. meadow between Robert [Bolley's] land called Islepes on N. [etc. as at pp.208-9].

Acreage, valor, rents resolute as in 63/174 at p.204.

Of Islepes tenement.

Two eyots S. of Underore mill ... list runs on to

Dorse ... 1r. meadow in length by the Thames on N. [etc. as at p.209]; Acreage, valor, rents resolute as at p.204.

Of Fellees tenement.

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. land on (Stonhulle) [as at p.209] ... 1r. arable in Underore between Richard Smyth's land on N. [etc., ibid.]

Acreage, valor, rent resolute as at p.204.

(Text ends here, some way above foot of dorse.)

Endorsed [late C15, bold] Territorium de terris in Underower.

\*\* Dated - tentatively - from the substitution of Henry for Robert Bolley in first entry; and from script.

63/182. [1460s?] THE ABBOT'S TERRIER, UNDERORE, temp. Henry Bolley

Parchment; 1 m. Badly damaged at head; repaired [British Museum c/o J.P. Gilson?] Lost text can be supplied from 63/183 below.

One large court hand throughout; apparently two tenements or fields not previously named as headings; one on front, the other on dorse.

Front Underore principal ten. called (Harpcotes) with other certain lands and gardens annexed to the same in le Underore, in the abbot of ~~Reading's fee~~ Reading's fee:

One croft in severalty at (Bradley) by (Pyttes Crosse) cont. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ a. 1r. of land lies between Henry Bolley's land on N. and S. in width and in length extends to (Pokelane) ...

3a. together in width between land late John Canne's on W. and Henry Bolley's land on E. and extends to the Thames on N. [Side-note: Robert Avelyn has it, probably added in same hand]; 3 half-acres of land together in width between Ralph Bullok's land on W. and the said John Scotte's on E., stretching to the Thames on N. in length.  
[Cue to turn]

Dorse [text begins several inches from top] (Shepgrave)

1r. land in width to the heads of the withinwritten 3 half-acres on N. and land late Nicholas Wollesby's on S. ...

1r. land between land late John Upnore's on W. and land [late, interlined] of the said Alice Thorp on E. in width, and extends to Alice Thorp's meadow on N. in length.

§ Sum of withinwritten and abovesaid land extended to 23a. 1r. [?: loss

§ Sum of meadow both withinwritten and abovesaid [lost in hole]<sup>in hole</sup>.

§ Total sum of [lands: hole], 3r. remains at right extended at [lost]

Endorsed [small business hand late C15] Territorium de Underour.

\*\* Dated - tentatively - from naming of Henry Bolley as present occupant or holder in several places; and from script.

63/183. [1504 x 1517?] TERRIER, UNDERORE [later copy of part /182]

Parchment, 1 m. Stained in parts. One early C16 hand throughout; text runs on to two-thirds of dorse. Gaps in text of /182 are supplied from this copy.

Front Underore principal ten. called (Harpcoates) [etc.]

' ... land of Henry Bolley' is kept in the first entry.

Last entry on front, with (Harpcoates) running on to dorse, is:

1r. land in width between Robert Horstedé's land on E. and William Bullok's on W., extending to the Thames on N. in length; 1a. land in width [breaks off. In /182 this is on 9th and 8th lines from foot with + at left, perhaps marking turnover to /183 dorse; extent in width and length transposed in boundaries] ...

Dorse 1a. land in width between the aforesaid Henry Bolley's land on E. and W., extending to the Thames on N. [The entry following the one above, on front of /182] ...

3 half-acres together [etc., as foot of front of /182]

Shepgrove 1r. land in width [etc. as in /182] ... 1r. land between land late John Upnore's [etc.]

No extent, cf. /182.

Endorsed [another rounder hand, early C16, brown ink, on long axis - half-buried when rolled]

Terr[itorium?] de terris [nuper, interlined] M<sup>r</sup> Bost in Underowr

\* \* Limiting dates set, tentatively, between Bost's death (from the nuper in the endorsement) and the rental of 8 Hen.8 Mar. 2: 60/EB/A pp.103-08 has tens. late Bost's at 107 and in Underore at 108. The original of the rental of 1517 is not in ECR 9 or traced elsewhere.

The writer may have been Richard Fitzwater. He was rent-collector of Eton and Windsor, Horned Weir and 'Mr Bost's lands' 1508-16, and clerk of accounts or of lands 1508-22 [? later: gap in audit book until 1525, when Thomas Clerck succeeds him as clerk of lands.]

See 62/AB/1, Rentale and Stipendia ministrorum for Fitzwater as collector and clerk; 61/RR/G/7 r1 for his last appearance as collector.

Parts of the audit book during his clerkship are in a hand very like that of 63/183, varying from clear to very rough: business and not an early secretary hand.

ECR 60/EB/A has at pp.127-29 the copied renewal of the Eton and Windsor rental made by Fitzwater, 1515 Jan. 8 (original not traced). Underore is at p.129 but I did not see 'late Mr Bost'. Without further study of the handwriting I do not think it safe to narrow the dates of 63/183 to [1508 x 1515], say; attribution of the hand is not proven.

63/184. [1450 x 1490?] THE ABBOT'S RENTAL, UNDERORE 'late Blakman's'.

[Copy of 63/175, p.205 above]

Paper, 1 fo., larger than /175. Small tears at head and foot. One business hand, with small differences from the writer's of /175; not necessarily much later. See note below for the date suggested as the terminus ante, from one endorsement.

Several names dotted at left. One tenure is written down left edge from line 6, first entry for Nicholas Capron: in /175 it is the last in the braced group of his and Joan Capron's tens.

No heading. Entries begin:

- Robert Upnor for 1 messuage and 5a. land sometime Nakers 18d.;
- . Robert Bolley for 8a. sometime Thomas Islype's 2s. 1d. and suit of court;
- . From the same for old tenure 3s. ...



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... Nicholas Capron for 1 message sometime Adam Capron's 12d.  
 Cf. /175 the entry for N.C. down left edge is for 1a.1r. land by  
 (Nakersweye),  $4\frac{3}{4}$ d.; cued from his  $3\frac{1}{2}$ a. sometime A.C.'s,  $18\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Endorsements [C15/16 turn, very rough]

Integer Redditus pertinens Abbati de Reding pro terris in nova  
 Wyndesore & [space; then in fainter ink] 37s.

[Upside down below this, in formal late C15 hand, faded]

Rentale abbatis de Redyng de quetis redd[itubus] exentibus de terris  
 et tenementis quondam Willelmi Blakmans apud Underore in nova Wyndesora.

\* \* The second date 1490, derived from the endorsement about Blakman,  
 need of course mean no more than that the two lines were added after  
 Blakman ceased to hold: p.199 above, para.4, where he is underlined.  
 The two copies of the abbot's rental of quitrents may well be con-  
 temporary; I can only be sure that there are enough significant small  
 differences in the hands to rule out a single writer.

63/185. [1496-98] LEGAL RECORD [incomplete]. Richard Passche v.  
EC.

Bill of complaint; draft answer; replication.

[The bill, of Passche's claim of wrongful disseisin by Provost Bost  
 and EC, is summarised at pp.199 paras.5-7 above, to show descent of  
 EC's title in Underore.]

Paper, 3 fos. sewn head to tail. Fo.1 tattered at head with part loss  
 of heading. English; three different business hands.

Folio 1 The title of Richard Passche to a mese called the Christofer  
 and vij tenements lying therto in Wyndesore; And vij acres  
 and iij roodes of land in Underour feld which late were of  
 oon William Bolley of Wyndesor aforsaid.

[Summary of text, p.199 above as noted.]

Folio 2 This is thanswere to the title of Ric. Pasche

Said title untrue and insufficient to be answered. If contents of  
 the bill were true, determinable at common law and in no other place.  
 Nevertheless, for the truth to be declared:

So it is that William Bolley was seised of the said lands and tens.;  
 and so seised, enfeoffed Thomas Carter and John Avelyn in fee.

[Grant: ECR 13/804, 1453; feoffment back to W.B., 11/218, 1457.]

From Carter and Avelyn there is sufficient and lawful conveyance of  
 title, from William Bolley's heirs. Set aside as irrelevant the de-  
 scent John Place-Millicent Bullock; Place's gift of the estate to  
Robert and Isabel Bolley and the heirs of their bodies; William  
Bolley's seisin, his dying seised and descent of title to John Bullock;  
Bullock's cousinship and heirship to William Bolley or John Place;  
Bullock's feoffment of Richard Passche as surmitted by said title.

[For the descent set aside, see p.199. For the descent implicitly  
 cited in EC's answer, pp.198-99; I deduce from ECR 13, 13/842,852,  
 864,900 (1471 x 1498): the final grant is to EC's feoffees to uses.]

Folio 3 The replication of Richard Pasche to the answer of the  
 provest and scolers of Eton

Pasche says that EC's answer is uncertain and insufficient for answer.  
 Moreover, he says in all things as he has said in his title, without  
 that [William] Bolley enfeoffed Carter and Avelyn with the estate,  
 and that there is any lawful conveyance to EC; which, etc.

[breaks off in fourth line well above foot of fo.3.]

Endorsed ...

63/185 contd/

Endorsement. [Fo.3d free edge, rough contemporary or early C16]

A bill of compleynt answer and replication for the Christopher and vij tenements in Wynsore and certen[s?] londes in Under ower.

[Martin, 1724] (9.) [Traced to drawer 30: cf. the (11.) on 63/171, foot of p.202 above. Martin's entry in the Digest for (9.): 'A Bill Answer & Repliation for houses & lands in Windsor and Underoure.']

[Buried at opposite free edges of m1d: C15/16] De persons [or, parsons] fee Etona. [Inexplicable.]

[C18, crudely written] 38 [below blotted-out 34[?]; number not traced in either 'D.8.' list; no other key-list yet discovered (1986).]

\* \* \* Dated from related documents with which the roll must sometime have been kept:

13/893,894 (1495) John Bullock's grant and quitclaim to Richard Passhe of the estate in Underore, the source of the action;

13/895 (1496) Declaration by the mayor [and seniors of the borough] in course of the dispute;

13/897,898 (1498) Bonds by Pashe and John Spark [fellow of EC and here a feoffee to uses] for settlement by arbitration;

13/899 (1498) Arbitration by John Scotte and Robert Woddeford gents; Passhe shall enfeoff EC of the estate by 1498 Feb. 2 and before that date deliver a [quitclaim]; EC shall then pay for a final concord, £11.13.4.

13/901 (1498) Passhe's quitclaim to EC's feoffees to uses.

The final concord premised by 13/899 is not in ECR 13 or traced in any other calendar. ECR 13/910, a final concord, 1503, in Windsor Gildhall, {EC's feoffees to uses v. William & Joan Smyth, concerns one message in Underore, clearly different from any in the foregoing records.]63/186. [c.1500] EC's RENTAL, UNDERORE LANDS LATE BLAKMAN'S

Parchment, 1 m. Tongue-shaped top with old sewn leather tie. Stained and faded at head; ultraviolet needed for first few lines, and (incompletely read) short title endorsed. English; one good business hand, showing a few thorn-runes. Apparent continuation of text on dorse (one short description of lands) with memoranda up-side down to that.

Names of fields or former tens. not all given [cf. 63/174,180]: rules separate different grounds, with extents of acreage given 'truly' (vere). First and last entries in each block given here for comparison with earlier rentals and indentification.Front [read with ultraviolet] Originale in campo [?] de Underoure de terr' arabill'

In primis fro the pikell to the mede in lenth est and west 6a. of the College of Eton sum tyme Blakmans;

Item fro a croft called Mathews to the knoppe in lenth of Blakmans now belongyng to the seid college 3a. and a half ...

Item next an acre and di sum tyme Blakmans to the mede [paler ink adds] now belonging to the college of Eton. Sum:  $24\frac{1}{2}$ a.

[rule]

Item fro the mere at the stile to the arere be yonde Isleps grove in lenth north and sowth 6a. sum tyme Blakmans [paler addition] now to the college of Eton ...

Item next the mede di acr' of Buknell [erased but readable]

Sum:  $22\frac{1}{2}$ a.

[rule]

63/186 front contd/

Item fro the mere wey and the knoppe to be mede in lenth 3a. di' of Buknell ...

Item next 1a. and di' sum tyme Blakmans [paler] ~~to be~~ college of Eton.. <sup>now to the/</sup>  
 Sum (no totalis, vere) 30a. and 3 yerdis.  
 [rule]

Item next from the bussh to the clay pittis in lenth 2a. sum tyme Blakmans [paler] to be college of Eton ...

Item next 1a. and di' sum tyme Blakmans lying by the grove along [paler] now belongyng to the college of Eton.

True sum total: 34a. and 3 yerdes.

Dorse [reading down from some way below foot]

Md/ that Andrew Bereman hathe in Underour Feld  $12\frac{1}{2}$ a. of arrabull lond and  $\frac{1}{2}$ a. of mede.

(Eight other holders; third is the Trinite [Windsor gild of Holy Trinity; cf. 63/172,173, pp.203,204], holding  $3\frac{1}{2}$ a.; seventh is the college of Wyndesore [the dean and canons of St. George's Chapel], 1a.)

[Reading down from below top]

In primis 1a. of arrabull lond lying in (Hyfelde) in lenthe upon the gravell pyttis on the northe parte and sowthe upon the kynges hywey and in bredyth upon Shaw lond on the est and the lond of Robert Avelyn on the west parte ...

Item 4 buttis lying by the parke gate in lenthe upon the gate west and Robert Avelyn's lond est and in brede upon the college ground of Wyndesor north and upon the ground of the seid Robert Avelyn on the sowth [breaks off] [No sum]

Endorsed [contemporary, badly faded and stained] Terrierson[?] Under owre

\* \*  
 \* Date tentative, from EC's possession of Blakman's former strips. See middle of p.199 above.

ECR 13/906, a memorandum (English) of acreage of arable (77a. +1 yard) and meadow (30a.) in Underore field, 'n.d.' but listed between docs, dated 1500 and 1501, is contemporary - with thorn-runes more frequent. I would confirm a date 'c.1500' as Mr <sup>Blakiston</sup> deduced from placing it where he did in the list.

63/187. 1504 Mich. RENTAL, EC's tenants in NEW WINDSOR

Paper, 1 fo. Latin. Some holes not affecting text. The rolled sheet is the same size as the flat 54/29, which is endorsed as Eton compotus 1504 [20 Hen.7.] The first entry there bears that date, cf. the third in this roll. ECR 54/29 is fragile with three large defects at left; it is impossible to say whether the two were a bifolium long cut in half and separated.

One business hand, same as in 54/29; total sum added in a larger and rougher contemporary hand. A few corrections and cancels. Dorse blank.

From the executors of Thomas Whe<sup>3</sup>tley for rent of one house (mancionis) called le Rolff at 53s.4d. yearly, [arrears] for two years and a half, Mich. 1497 to LD 1500, £6.13.4. Of which, paid at Mich. 1499, 20s.;

(The last, cancelled, entry is of the farm of le Rolff from Mich. 1500 to Mich. 1501, 53s.4d. due from John Midilton);

From Gryffin Sadeler, for the same house; LD 1500 to Christmas 1500, at 53s.4d. for three quarters of the year, 30s.;

63/187 contd/

From the heirs of Joan Bullok, widow, for quitrent of 1 ten. beside the sign of the George, called Paxman, at 2s. yearly; in arrear from Mich. 1499 to Mich. 1504, 10s.;

From William Turner for 1 ten. in which James Bocher dwelt, 12s.4d.;

From Robert W<sub>e</sub>ver, for 1 ten. in Peascod Street at 14s.8d. yearly, arrears from Mich. 1497 to Mich. 1504, £5.2.6.;

cc of which paid at Mich. 1502, 20s.;

One ten. in Peascod Street sometime John Dau's at 18d. yearly, for one [interlined] full year and a half, determined at Mich. 1504, 2s.4d.

Sum £13.10.1. [above the last cancelled entry].

There is no surviving rent roll for 1504; the beginning of Rentale is gone from the audit roll, 61/AR/F/13. The bursars' indenture, a singleton surviving: 61/BI/E/19, m1, has for Eton with Windsor and Jourdelay's land with Horned Weir, 'From William Ketyll collector, 9 Dec. [1503], and by indenture, £16; allowed in the account of the year [1504]'.

\* \* It seems odd that a yogh should be written in 'Wheteley' or variant of surname presumably deriving from Wheatley, Oxon.; but the first name in 54/29 is John Gough, where a yogh might be expected as late as early C16. Wheteley's medial yogh may have been a slip, or habit, of the clerk, yet I do not see it in other likely names here or in 54/29.

63/188. [1540/41?] DRAFT RENTAL 1541 (two loose bifolia)

The inner has been numbered/A because it contains Windsor; the outer, /B, has text on half of fo.[1r] only, and Martin's endorsed number and title (below). Latin; one rough mid-C16 business hand; many cancels and corrections.

188/A Folio 1<sup>r</sup> Struck-through sidenote: Manor of le Mote in Old Windsor

The lands and tens. here written below are already held by EC [heading mixed up with Le Mote and much corrected]

St. Peter's Hospital in New Windsor with appurts.

First, [the hospital] with the cemetery, demised to someone (quodam) yearly for 6s.8d.

[ECR 9/23 - see below - fo.[1r] of text, supplies: John Hobbes. Arable and pasture demised to Richard Fyzwaters by indenture for 63s.4d., is worth £8.

In tenure of William Cokes, the waters and fishery in Old Windsor called le Horne Weir, demised for 68s.8d. yearly ...

Spital continues through fo.1<sup>v</sup> to Folio 2<sup>r</sup>, middle:

... In tenure of Matthew Gwynne alias Baker, 1 ten. with garden, 53s.4d.

Sum of lands belonging to the hospital [blank]

[In 9/23 fo.2<sup>r</sup> and 60/EB/A - below - p.165, the ten. of Gwynne, baker, is entered separately as in Clewer by Windsor Bridge; the sum of Spital lands does not appear to be given at end of section.]

188/A Folio 2<sup>r</sup> goes on without heading or sidenote:

Item in tenure of Robert Sadok various tens. lately bought by Mr Bost with certain (certis) arable and meadow lands in Underore within the parish of Windsor, £14.15.4.

For le barge draw<sup>3</sup>tes, 2s. [Cert money to EC for horses drawing barges through Romney meads: see above, p.88, in 63/92 fo.3 §[5].] In Underore there is wood worth by estimation £20.

Sum £32.17.4. [Total sum, lands in New & Old Windsor, blank]

Sidenote ...



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[WINDSOR]

63/188/A Folio 2<sup>r</sup> contd/Sidenote: Slough in the parish of Stoke [Poges]From the lord Windsor for quitrent out of le Hartes horne  
in Slough, 6s. ...In tenure of John Laucok, 1 message in the parish of Stoke called  
Pow<sup>3</sup>leys, yearly with certain arable lands, £5.13.4.Folio 2<sup>v</sup>Chalvey From quitrent out of lands and tens. of Mr Bulstrode in  
Chalvey held by EC in knight service 1d.

Rents [resolute] going out of the lands aforesaid

To William Simonds, ten. in Underore called Boyles,	<u>18d.</u> ;
To the bailiffs of Windsor (2 tens. in Peascod Street, lands at le Spital, various profits in Windsor) [total]	<u>5s.9d.</u> ;
To the k. at Windsor Castle to hands of Mr Wodward, for lands in Windsor, Eton and elsewhere,	<u>42s.3d.</u> ;
[The same for lands not specified]	<u>31s.8d.</u> ;
[The same for lands in Underore late in the abbot of Reading's fee]	<u>47s.11d.</u> ;
Lady Sandys for tens. in Clewer held by Matthew Gwyn, and from the same ten., 1 lb. of pepper	<u>5d.</u> ;
[For this rent, cf. p.200 above in <u>1510</u> rent roll].	

63/188/B (enclosing /A).Folio 1<sup>r</sup>

<u>Chalvey</u> , by copy: in tenure of John Alfeld, 1 ten. with certain ( <u>certis</u> )lands,	<u>26s.8d.</u> ;
and [the same], 1 ten. with garden,	<u>8s.</u> ;

Slough in Upton [parish interlined] in feefarm:In tenure of John Hayle and W. Hall, 1 ten. with arable, 23s.4d.;Sum: 55s.Burnham [two entries struck through]From which the lord of Upton, for Chalvey lands, 7s.6d.Rents resolute

To lord Hastynge, of quitrent and other services out of lands in <u>Stoke</u> , yearly,	<u>25s.11d.</u> ;
To lord [Shrewsbury, struck through: late to the prior of St. John of Jerusalem, interlined], quitrent from Pow <sup>3</sup> lez in <u>Stoke</u> ,	<u>8s.6d.</u>
Sum total: <u>£44.18d.</u> Clear [net value] except woods,	<u>£42.17<math>\frac{1}{2}</math>d.</u>

Rest of bifolium /B blank, except for fo.2<sup>v</sup>Endorsement [Martin, 1724]: Rentals & Terrars of Windsor & Underore.  
No. 5.[Another piece-number from Digest drawer (30); cf. 63/171,185,  
pp.202,213 above. The entry there is copied from the endorsement.]

\* \* 63/188/A,B are drafts of the rental dated 1541 Apr. 4. The fair  
copy is ECR 9/23, a badly damaged rolled paper book. Until it is  
repaired, refer to the later copy in 60/EB/A: pp.163-65 for Windsor,  
Clewer, Underore; p.166 for Slough and Chalvey in Upton; Burnham.  
[Eton is separately copied at pp.139-41.]

63/189. [1554] EC'S RENTAL, NEW WINDSOR [apparently of  
quitrents and rents resolute]Paper, 1 fo. Only half of front used. Latin; one business hand; two  
autographs below text. Dorse has only a short English memorandum on  
lands of Robert Saddock. Four columns at right are not for term-days  
but are headed: Honor [Windsor Castle]; Feefarms [to Windsor borough?];  
Underore; Clewer. Each has nil except where one column has a sum.

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[WINDSOR]

63/189 contd/

In order to avoid a chequerboard of nils, I have put the initial H, F, [U] C against the sums enrolled. The first entry is in no column; and I see nothing in the 'U' column.

New Windsor

EC has a freehold ten. called Boyles in Underore, yearly rent from William Symondes	<u>18d.</u>
Various freehold tens., yearly	<u>13s.</u> H
Other freehold tens. [late] of Mr Henry Bost, yearly	<u>21d.</u> F
For le bolkes and scopes of the same tens.	<u>4d.</u> F
Two shops sometime Mr Bost's	<u>2d.</u> F
One freehold ten. sometime held by Pownynges, afterwards Smyth	<u>6d.</u> F
One freehold ten. below the Castle, in tenure of William Todd	<u>6d.</u> F
Freehold certain lands at Spyttell by Windsor	<u>2s.</u> F
Various freehold lands and tens. in Clewer fee, rent and 1 lb. of pepper [cf. p.216, end of 63/187]	<u>7s.</u> C

[two signatures prefaced by per me]:

Ric' Rysley)  
H. Pauley ) bursars of EC.

[Near foot, in business hand]: Acquittance for the college.

At foot of dorse, a memorandum in a rougher contemporary hand that John Sywode, tenant of Sterkes lands and house of the ... Robert Saldocke withholds certain parcels of arable (arrall) lands appurtenant. [Illegible letters in the ellipsis.] No endorsement.

\*\* Dated by the bursars' names. Audit Book 1551-1562, ECR 62/AB/3, has a list on p.1 of each year's pair. Rysley and [Henry] Pauley are together only in the split account of 1554, 'Anno 1 reginae Mariae/Eodem anno usque ad finem': their account begins at p.199, 1 Mary June 22 to 1 & 2 Ph. & M. Mich. [In Rentale beginning at p.200, Humphrey Michell, collector of Eton with Windsor, delivered £23.18s.]

To the references after the summary list of 63/169-189, p.201 above, I ought to have added:

See also WINDSOR in 63/92 at p.88; and in 63/95-99 [EC rentals] at pp.93-99, 63/97: 1506 Sept. 29 rental renewed (UNFIT FOR PRODUCTION), at 96 in ref. to fo.3; 63/98: 1517 Mar. 2 rental renewed, Windsor with Clewer and Underore in m2, also at 96; 63/99, [1585+] rental, Windsor in rs3d-4, at 98.

The 'Survey Book Edw. VI: Phil. et Mariae', not yet numbered - to be with series in ECR 60 or 62 - may also prove useful, for ETON, 1552 Mar. 31, fos.1r-2r; WINDSOR, same date, fos.2v-3v,6r.

The first volume of the Evidence Book, 60/EB/A, lists on the front flyleaf several rentals renewed temp. Hen.8, but consult the index for Windsor page-references, which are not explicit on the flyleaf.

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YENSTON ...

[63/190-  
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## YENSTON in Henstridge, Somerset Manor

A.p. of Saint-Sever, dépt Calvados, dioc. Coutances, OSB.  
No manor is explicit in the first grant to EC: but views of frankpledge and courts are mentioned in the rent rolls of 1449, 1461 (last before resumption) and 1473 (first after regrant); and in leases of 1454, 1460 and 1473 (cited in that year's rent roll). Details follow the usual summary history, to show that there was a manor earlier than the four rolls temp. Hen.8 listed.

Acquired 1441 E. Rot.Parl. v.48b.

Farm and rent of £7 from Henry Barette, paid yearly to the k.; for custody of 1 messuage, 1 carucate, 26a. land, 7a. woodland and 8 marks rent: granted him by the k., Mich. 1439, with reversion to EC at Mich. 1446.

Rent rolls 1443 (from 1441), 61/RR/A/11  
until  
1461 /RR/C/5.

Until the resumption in 1461, YENSTON is bracketed with GOLDCLIFF (Mon.) priory apport - collected at the priory's manor of Monk-silver - and with the pension from MONTACUTE priory, all in Somerset.

Resumed 1455 ECR 61 Appendix D p.109.

Restored 1457 Nov. 29. LP: CPR 1452-1461, 417; ECR 39/116, citing the 1455 Act of Resumption.

Resumed 1461 ECR 61 Appendix D p.109.

Restored 1467 July 17. LP: CPR 1467-1477, 62-3: 'all lands in YENSTON ...'; ECR 39/129.

Apparently ineffective:

Regrant 1473 Mar. 23. LP: CPR ibid., 394: '... a.p. of YENSTON, with issues from Mich. 1467 ...'; ECR 60/LP/6/A.

Returns to rent rolls 1473 61/RR/C/10 r2d. No arrears; first account.

Exchanged with Crown 1546 Dec. 20. Grant by EC of manors in Wilts. and Dorset and YENSTON in Somerset, and local lands in and around Eton. (Engrossed in) 60/LB/2, Lease Book 1529-56, fos.91r-92r. Tripartite indenture, 1547 June 1, cites this grant and confirms to EC in exchange, Bloxham rectory and lands, Oxon., and other rectories in Beds. and Herts. ECR 14/1 [Bloxham] names YENSTON manor with ap- purts. in WHITCHURCH and HENSTRIDGE, Somerset.

Exchange further confirmed 1547 Aug. 30. LP: CPR 1547-1548, 8-9 (cited by H.N. Blakiston); ECR 39/162. YENSTON not there named.

See also draft exchange, 63/92: above, pp.85-89 at 85,86,89.

\* \* EC's manor. (In rent rolls to 1447, 61/RR/A/43 r2d, Henry Barette has the farm of the priory, and in 1448, RR/A/49 r4/1, his executors; the £7 is unchanged yearly.

In 1449, RR/A/55 r2: William Baker, rent-collector, accounts for £7.4.2. as in a rental shown to the auditor and kept in memoranda of EC. [Untraced in ECR, if extant.] Because the priory there remains in the lord's hands, and lands and tens. are leased to a tenant as the rental shows ...

Perqs. of courts and wood sales. Baker answers for 3s.9d. from pleas and perqs. of two courts held there, as by roll on this account. [Ibidem can only refer to YENSTON as issues of money from Goldcliff and Montacute, with no farms or courts, are in the account.]

There is also  $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. certain rent called Hokkedaysrente and somerwach, sometime paid to the k. at his Hundred of Kingsbury, now belonging to EC. Sum of this heading: 4s.1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Headnote, in 1449 rent roll, contd/

Sum delivered begins with steward's [Baker's?] expenses at courts above; 9d. paid to the rector of Henstridge for tithes from three tenants of meadow by ancient custom (3d.) and for sacramental bread and candles for the church. Work in named fields leads into account for Montacute.

The 1450 rent roll, 61/RR/A/61 r1d: Rents and farms, £7.7.1. yearly. Wood sales: portion of old stones of the priory sold to the vicar of Henstridge and another, 10d. each.

The 1461 rent roll, RR/C/5 r4d: YENSTON with MONTACUTE. Thomas Broune, farmer.

Farm of demesne lands (YENSTON): £6. from farm of lordship or priory with all lands and appurts., and perqs. of courts, leased to Broune from Mich. 1460 for 7 years, this the second. [The text has '30' in error for 38 Hen.6. See lease below.] No courts or wood sales in year.

The 1473 rent roll, RR/C/10 r2d: John Broune, farmer. £6 [+ 13s.4d., interlined], from farm of site of manor [of YENSTON] with all appurts. except woods; leased to him by Provost & EC at pleasure, this the first year.

Lease Book 1445-1529, 60/LB/1, has three engrossments of leases by indenture of YENSTON. The gap between the first two and the third (which bears upon the four rolls listed below) is probably accounted for by leases at pleasure like Broune's.

Fo.15<sup>r</sup>. Eton, 1454 Nov. 3. Provost Westbury & EC to Robert Barter and John Catour, of Sherborne, Dorset.

The priory or lordship, with lands, rents, customs, underwoods, perqs. of views of frankpledge and courts there with profits of the same; and all other appurts.: except great timber, stones within the site of the manor; reliefs, wards, marriages, and other profits and commodities wholly reserved to the office of the bailiff of EC's liberty: by reason of franchises and liberties graciously granted by the k. and by authority of various parliaments.

To hold the priory or lordship from Mich. 1454, for 12 years.

Rent yearly, £6 good money of England, payable at Sherborne at Easter and Mich.

Fo.90<sup>v</sup>. Eton, 1460 June 3. Provost Westbury & EC to Thomas Broune [above, in 1461 rent roll] of Yenston in the parish of Henstridge.

The priory or lordship (lands ... perqs. of courts; exceptions reserved to the bailiff of the liberty as in the previous lease).

From Mich. 1459, for 10 years. [But cf. details in rent roll above.]

The £6 yearly rent payable at Eton (equal portions as above).

Fo.192<sup>v</sup>. Eton, 1517 June 12. Provost Lupton & EC to Peter Langford alias Waterman of Yenston.

EC's house or manor of Yenston with all demesne lands and appurts. Except woods, underwoods, waifs, strays and perqs. of courts: reserved to EC.

To hold the house or manor from Mich. 1516, for 20 years.

Rent yearly, £7 sterling; payable at Eton or at St. James's in the Fields by Westminster, equal portions on Feb. 2 and Aug. 1 (Purification of BVM, St. Peter ad vincula).

Lessee to maintain manor house at own cost during term.

Bond in £40 by Peter and John Langford and William Grene.

[The four rolls ...



The four rolls which conclude ECR 63 are:

190. [1525 x 27] Extent (had been rolled loose inside /191);  
191. [1528] Court roll, draft;  
192. 1535 Court roll, draft;  
193. 1543 Court roll.

63/190. [1525 x 27] EXTENT

Paper. Bifolium, all sides used. Latin, with one sidenote in English on fo.2r. Nibbled at top with some loss of text in fo.2r. One business hand throughout, with some deletions and corrections.

Folio 1<sup>F</sup> YENSTON Extent of lands & tens. belonging to the provost & EC: made by John Gulston clerk; Thomas Clerck, clerk of lands; John Langford, bailiff; Richard Langford, William Grene and William Peny, tenants of the provost; and many others.

There is the site of the manor called Priors Close now in tenure of William Grene.

[Field-names in centered headings, side-lines or (not necessarily all) noticed in the text]

Fo.1<sup>F</sup> Northfeld above the ditch called the mershe dyche

Fo.1<sup>FV</sup> Thyrtoverfurlong; Shortland furlong; Medefurlong

\* \* The third entry on fo.1<sup>V</sup> names Ambrose Henstridge [as the surname, in variant spellings, must be] as former holder. He reappears in the probably contemporary terrier, ECR 2/431, noted below; and in several places in 63/190.

Folio 2<sup>F</sup> Stawford; Knowlfurlong; Berfurlong, runs on to

Folio 2<sup>V</sup> Above the Hyghwey; Eggefurlong; Coniehyllfurlong.

The 3rd, last, entry on fo.2<sup>V</sup> includes a (limitem) called a bound merk between Yenston and [Abbas] Combe, on N.

A mag. [space] Rowdall is named holder in Eggefurlong: surname evolves through Owdall/Yodall to Udalle, in the following rolls.

\* \* Dating. John Gulston was a bursar 1522-27; Thomas Clerck was EC's clerk of lands or of accounts from Midsummer 1525 to Midsummer 1527. See Audit Book 1506 x 1529, 62/AB/1: Remuneration of [Fellows] Officers, and Stipends of ministers and servants for these last three years; at pp.378,398,417,418.

John Langford was farmer of Yenston in all three years, so a closer limit cannot be set: 61/RR/G/14,15,16. (Rent rolls.)

The rent rolls do not include details of expenses at the manor. Foreign Costs in the Audit Book, pp.383-4,402-5,421-3, having nothing more than a reward to Thomas Clerck as clerk of accounts of 8s.4d., no reason entered, in 1525: p.383 near foot.

\* \* ECR 2/431: terrier of Yenston in the calendar 'Piddlehinton [etc.], Dorset and Wilts.', typescript unpublished 1940. It is a paper bifolium, '16th cent.(?)': but I think a longer copy, or slightly earlier draft, of 63/190. It was indexed under 'Henstridge' because the sur-name 'Hengstrig' corrects 'Cowdray' near beginning of fo.1r.

In 2/431, fos.1r-2r (first two entries) are in a rough hand, possibly Richard Fitzwater's; he was Clerck's immediate predecessor. The rest of fo.2r and 2v are in a second neat business hand: same as 63/190, possibly Clerck's.

'Mr Hengstrig' is 'Ambrose' on fo.2r in 'hand I'; cf. 63/190; and 'Mr Rowdall' is 'Owdall' in fo.2rv in 'hand II'.

Further f.n.s noted in 2/431 (as listed, not in ABC order):

Sowthfield; Whithill and the short Whithill furlongs: Gosham furlong; Langlond furlong S. of le Longbroke; furlong by the way to the provost's mill; Coniefurlong; Underneythe and Above the hyewey; the Whit oke furlong; the Mayd furlong N. of Long brok; Cheshyllfurlong; Akerncroft furlong; Behind the hays furlong: Stawnhyll.

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[YENSTON]

63/191. [1528 May 12] COURT ROLL, DRAFT

Date - see below - supplied from fair copy.

Paper, 1 fo. Latin. One business hand, hasty between names written carefully and the first heading of presentments. Dorse blank except for later C16 'Rotula Cur' de Endston', buried when rolled, and 'Endstone Ext[ent]us'.

The front is headed simply, Cur'. Names of homages and first and last entries are given as the dated and undated fair copies were identified through them.

Jurors William Gren'; Richard Langford; Peter Langford.

Essoins The abbot of St. Augustine's Bristol, freeholder, for Cokrells mill in FIFEHEAD MAGDALEN parish [Dorset nearby: note below].

Mr Owdall, freeholder for close called Gildenhayes. ...

Precept All tenants sufficiently to repair~~e~~ their tens. in timber, roofs and walls, by All Saints' next, under pain of forfeit 10s. for every defect.

[Additional presentment: blank for name] The chantry priest of Ilminster has entered the South field and sown 2a. of the lord of Yenston's land with oats. Wherefore, &c.

Memorandum Mr Basket is steward in Henstridge, and William Mors of Cāmyll is clerk of the court there.

[The memo: is not in either fair copy; I cannot confidently posit West Camel, less likely Cameley, as the modern form of the last p.n.]

\* \* Date. Fortunately there is a fair copy of the corrected draft in the Court Book, various manors temp. Henry VIII, ECR 60/MAN/1, fos. 43v-44r: Court leet (legalis) of mag. Roger Lupton, provost & EC, 20 Hen.8 (1528) May 12.

There is another copy, of the draft, in the Evidence Book, 60/EB/B, p.866. Heading 'no date appears' and sidelined Piddlehinton/Yenston. An admission at this Court, misdated by slip May 10, is entered separately ibid. p.871 (Richard Langford).

The abbot of St. Augustine's Bristol. Matthew, Norman Monasteries, pp.53-4: Saint-Sever had four hides of land at Henstridge and one church at Fifehead Magdalen. He cites CDF, 615 (1158).

63/192. 1535 Apr. 26. COURT ROLL, DRAFT

Paper, bifolium. Onl fo.1<sup>r</sup> and half of 1<sup>v</sup> used. Two text hands: fair and rough interspersed. Only one correction by strike-through, recto.

Fo.2<sup>r</sup> has pen-trial at inner foot, perhaps in the careful hand I: 'Mr Singler gode lorde my'; endorsement, top of fo.2v: 'Endeston', contemporary; regnal year, in late C16 secretary.

YENSTON Court of mag. Roger Lupton &c [sc. provost & EC] Monday after St. Mark Evangelist, 27 Hen.8.

In Essoins, William Yodall kt is a freeholder; default of Court.

Presentments [the first is] 6a. land in the Yenston field called Colverdown belonging to EC are now occupied by Thomas Ruff, farmer of the chantry pries of Ilminster; against the lord's will and without lawful title ...

Admission Thomas Baskett, steward; Sibilla Eer widow and Thomas Eer. Lands (certas), described and with a close called Bussheilens, late held by Peter Langford alias Waterman.

Folio 1<sup>v</sup> Sibilla Ere widow gives fine for reversion of cottage and lands after death of Elizabeth Roodott widow [who is in 63/190 fo.2v as Rydeowte, in Aboveth highway; and in 63/193, below].

\* \* Fair copy in Evidence Book: 60/EB/B, p.872.

63/193. 1543 Oct. 12. COURT.

Paper; single sheet. Three apparent empty stitch-holes at top centre. Latin. One good business hand. Dorse has only 'Endston' in cursive contemporary hand; regnal date added later in C16 as on /192.

YENSTON Court of the lord, Robert Aldrydge, provost [&EC],  
13th day of October 35 Hen.8; before mag. John Patmore,  
bursar, and William Hanley steward.

[Entries bearing on previous courts in 63/190-192:]

Essoins (defaulters) Henry Udalle [now] freeholder for Gylden Hayes;  
The bishop of Bristol, freeholder for Cockerells Mylne.

Obit Isabella [cf. Elizabeth, 63/192 at p.223] Rydowte widow is now  
dead. Sibell More [cf. Eir and variants, ibid.] has estate to be  
seised of the farm: given a day.

\* \* \* For Patmore and Hanley: 63/90 text-note 1, p.83 above.  
This Court is copied in the Evidence Book: 60/EB/B, p.882.

Other Courts of YENSTON in ECR.

ECR 60/MAN/1 has, besides the fair copy identified from 63/191 (above,  
p.223) a Court leet, 1532 Oct. 9, at fo.89v.

A western circuit roll, found and listed by Mr Blakiston among court  
rolls of MODBURY, Devon (ECR 1, typescript unpublished, 1939) is  
1/242. File of 14 paper fos. Following his numbering upwards from  
bottom, fo.8 has:

YENSTON Court, 1546 May 26.

[The file in fact has 14 fos., given as '15'. The top of fo.4 is torn  
away and was noticed as missing in 1939. There is a paper docket sewn  
to left of fo.3; I think this is the '15th' folio in numbering.]

I found none in 63/90, p.83 above: Courts of southern progress of  
EC's manors, 1541; or in 63/91, p.84, the same for 1547 (perhaps too  
late for YENSTON after exchange with the Crown).

I found only one discrete other document relating to Yenston in ECR.  
In STOGURSEY, ECR 6, published in Somerset Record Soc. 61 (1949 for  
1946):

ECR 6/84 (no.87 in SRS 61): Westminster, 1444 June 17.

LP of commission to Giles Daubeney kt and five others named, to make  
inquisition on dilapidations suffered at the priory of Saint-Sever  
in YENSTON and STOGURSEY priory, in the time of farmers and their  
ministers.

This is not in CPR: but cf. CPR 1441-1446, 203:

Westminster, 1443 May 6. Similar commission to John Ulveston [EC's  
receiver general: ECR 61 Appendix A and index] and others.

This LP is untraced in ECR; perhaps not carried out and revived by  
the LP of 1444.

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# GOLDCLIFF, COLDRA, NASH AND CHRISTCHURCH

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### INTRODUCTION

Goldcliff, one of the dependent priories of the Norman abbey of Bec-Hellouin, was founded in or about 1113 by Robert de Chandos (or Candos), the Norman lord of Caerleon. Some time after his death, in 1135, the lordship was recovered by the representatives of the older line of Welsh lords, the brothers Morgan and Iorwerth ab Owain. They and their successors continued to support the priory by confirming former grants and making further endowments. The only original early charter to survive at Eton, ECR 64/1, illustrates this: it is an undated confirmation by Hywel ap Iorwerth, here called Hywel of Caerleon, of grants made by himself, his predecessors and men.

Little survives in Eton College records for the centuries before Goldcliff was granted to the College, and most of it is in later copies rather than originals. The documents that relate to early land drainage, ECR 64/3 and 654, are of particular interest, showing that by the mid thirteenth century an elaborate system of ditches and sluices was already in use for draining the Levels. It is probable that Eton once possessed more medieval records of the estate, some of which may have been lost through being produced in evidence in the many legal suits that must have made Goldcliff an expensive and troublesome property. A few seem to have been dispersed after the antiquary Thomas Martin 'digested' the contents of the muniment room in 1724. He wrote to Browne Willis about a charter of bishop Elias of Llandaff to Goldcliff, then in drawer 22 in the muniment room of Eton College, one of 'several old deeds in the same drawers concerning Goldcliff priory' (British Library Add. MS 5841, fol. 2v: cited in David Crouch and Graham Thomas, 'Three Goldcliff charters' in The National Library of Wales Journal, xxiv, 2, Winter 1985, pp.153-63). Bishop Elias's charter is no longer at Eton, but was bought in 1936 from the Revd. Frederick William Potto Hicks by the National Library of Wales along with two other Goldcliff charters which may likewise have come from Eton. Their whereabouts between 1724 and the 1930s is unknown.

The process by which Eton acquired Goldcliff is complicated and confused. Some of the grants made by Henry VI and Edward IV seem to have been ineffective so that reliance on letters patent alone may be misleading. Lacunae in the surviving records at Eton mean that some questions must remain unanswered.

In 1440, when the priory was served by eight monks, its prior Laurence de Bonneville was deposed by the abbot of Bec for failing to respond at Bec to a charge of misappropriation of the priory's revenues. Perhaps assuming the priory to be vacant, the Commissioners of Alien Priors presented John Twining as prior. In 1441 Henry VI assented to the appropriation of the priory of Goldcliff by the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury after the death or resignation of Twining, on condition that the abbot maintained a prior and two monks there. Despite a papal mandate of 1445 restoring Prior Laurence, the monks of Tewkesbury seem to have

retained possession of Goldcliff until 1455, or perhaps later (though with a possible intermission between 1445 when, according to one unsupported source, the three monks there were expelled by the Welsh, and 1447 when Tewkesbury is said to have regained control).

Meanwhile, by the Endowment Charter of 25 March 1441 (ECR 3), Henry VI had granted to his new foundation of Eton the yearly pension or apport of 20s. which the prior of Goldcliff had been accustomed to pay to the mother house of Bec. Eton's rent rolls show that this payment was received by the College between 1441 and the resumption in 1461. The apport was collected at Goldcliff's manor of Monksilver in Somerset and therefore appears in the rent rolls for this period under Somerset, bracketed with the pension from Montacute priory and the farm and rent from Yenston in Henstridge, formerly belonging to the abbey of Saint Sever, Calvados.

On 2 April 1451 Henry VI also granted to Eton the alien priory of Goldcliff with all its appurtenances (CPR 1446-1452, 457). There is no trace of this grant at Eton, either as surviving letters patent or as a copy, nor is Goldcliff mentioned in any of the extant lists of alien priories resumed by Edward IV in 1461 (see ECR 61, Appendix D). It therefore seems probable that for some reason the 1451 grant to Eton was ineffective or invalid. The surviving court roll for Goldcliff from 1451 to 1455 (ECR 64/30) shows that the monks of Tewkesbury retained control until at least 1455.

Whatever happened between 1455 and 1461, Tewkesbury abbey certainly regained possession in 1462 by two grants of Edward IV. The first, letters patent of 1 February 1462, granted the monks the advowson of Goldcliff together with all manors, advowsons, rents, services, etc. (CPR 1461-1467, 93). This grant was strengthened (possibly superseded) by a wider one of 10 February 1462 granting to Tewkesbury abbey the alien priory and advowson of Goldcliff with all appurtenances, from 4 March last past (CPR 1461-1467, 106).

Many of the endowments which had been resumed by Edward IV were restored to Eton on 17 July 1467, among them the yearly pension of 20s. from Goldcliff (ECR 39/129, CPR 1467-1477, 62). On 25 July 1467 Eton was also granted the manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey [Coldra], the first mention of the latter as a separate manor, which are described as lately granted to Tewkesbury and since resumed by the King (CPR 1467-1477, 66); and on 25 August 1467 Edward IV granted Eton the advowson of Goldcliff together with all manors, rights, revenues etc. appertaining (CPR 1467-1477, 48). Goldcliff reappears in the College's accounts in 1468, no longer under Somerset but under a new heading Wallia, and the receipts show that the priory was being farmed and that the College was in receipt of (or was at least owed) considerable sums (see ECR 61: rent rolls and bursars' indentures). The 1467 grants were clearly effective: revenue accrued to the College and the Coldra court roll (ECR 42/55) in 1470 gives William Westbury, Provost, as lord of the manor. Yet on 4 February 1483 Eton was granted the alien priory of Goldcliff, the manors of Goldcliff and Coldra and all appurtenances from Easter 7 Edward IV [March 1467] in lieu of the grant of 25 August 1467 which was deemed invalid because the College was already seised of some of the premises (CPR 1476-1485, 334). None of these last three letters patent survives at Eton in ECR 39 or elsewhere.

If the estate records in ECR 42 and ECR 64 were all that survived for Goldcliff, we should know little about the administration or value of the estate in the fifteenth century. It is possible, however, to add some detailed information by using the College's central administrative and accounting records. The same is almost certainly true for other estates, and it therefore seems useful to set down some of the detail, both for its intrinsic interest and as a model for other estates.

Soon after Eton gained control of Goldcliff in 1467 Richard Hopton was appointed master or keeper of the house or priory for life. Hopton was a Fellow of Eton (possibly since 1453) and rector of Piddlehinton, a College living in Dorset, from 1462 to 1471. Although the composition made between the Provost and College and Hopton is dated 18 June 1470 (ECR 60/LB/1, fols. 20v-21r), his appointment may have predated this. In the bursars's indentures his name first appears under Goldcliff in 1470 (ECR 61/BI/8). Between 18 June and late October Hopton must have been recalled to Eton as precentor, in which capacity he was paid in that year (ECR 61/AR/C/4, m.4); in 1471, when he resigned the Piddlehinton living (ECR 60/REG/1, p.60), he became Vice Provost (ECR 61/BD/C/6, fol.7).

His successor as keeper of the priory was Thomas Averay, clerk, appointed 26 October 1470 (ECR 60/LB/1, fol. 20v). ECR 60/REG/1, p.152 gives the text of the composition made on 29 September 1474 between the Provost and College and Averay as keeper, which repeats the conditions of the composition with Hopton with variations. He is to live there permanently with his servants, and to maintain two priests at his own expense, one of whom is to be vicar of the parish church of Goldcliff, receiving food and sustenance yearly from Averay according to an old composition made between the prior of Goldcliff and the vicar of the parish church. (Is the duty of supporting two priests a faint echo of the condition attached to the appropriation of the priory by Tewkesbury in 1441: that the abbey should maintain a prior and two monks there?) Averay is to maintain and repair the priory church and domestic buildings, the sea wall called le Clyff, and other sea walls and ditches belonging to the priory. He is to pay annually to the vicar of Nash livery of bread and ale, and the usual wages to the parish clerk of Nash, and is to disburden the Provost and College of all charges towards the vicar, clerk and church of Nash. He is also to provide at his own expense all lights, candles, bread, wine, books, chalices, vestments and other things necessary for celebrating divine service in Goldcliff parish church, and to pay all pensions, wages and other payments due from the priory to the chaplain, clerk, bishop, archdeacon or other officials. In return he is to enjoy all the buildings, lands, rents, services, mills, courts, franchises etc. in Wales belonging to the priory, except donations and advowsons of churches which are reserved to Eton. He is to pay the Provost and College £40 p.a. at the two usual feasts. He is not to commit waste or sell wood, but may have any timber he needs for repairs and for fuel for his household. He is to give six months' notice if he wishes to resign.

The very similar composition with Hopton (ECR 60/LB/1, fols. 20v-21r) gives more details of the property for it specifies exactly what the keeper is to enjoy:  
the room or hall called Newe halle, the new parlour with the



kitchen and all the rooms attached to the cloister;  
 the long room called the brewhouse, barns, stables and other  
 rooms necessary to him within the site of the priory;  
 the enclosure and grove called le orchard;  
 the pasture or hill attached to the priory with le Warthe and  
 67½ acres of land in le Curtbehynd, with the burden of repairing  
 the ditches and sea walls belonging;  
 the close called in the vernacular chapell Close;  
 the grange or site called Moreberne with the buildings, gardans  
 and closes in it, with the burden of repair;  
 31 acres of arable land in the field called Blynchefeld;  
 8 acres of pasture called Calvelese;  
 8 acres of meadow called tenacres in the hands of William Martyn,  
 or a rent of 13s. 4d. from the same land;  
 20 acres of meadow called cokkestrete mede and redy mede;  
 14 acres of pasture in Cowlese;  
 14 acres of meadow called Lytylmede;  
 14 acres of pasture in Oldoxlese;  
 5 acres 1 rood in brodelese late in the tenure of John ap D[afyd]/d;  
 8 acres of pasture in brodelese late in the tenure of Thomas  
 D[afyd]/d ap Watkyn;  
 9 acres of land in Brodelese late in the tenure of Gr[uffuth]  
 Carter;  
 6 acres of land in Brodelese late in the tenure of Margaret  
 Heybrygge;  
 6 acres of land in Brodlese late in the tenure of D[afyd]/d ap Gli'  
 [?Gwillym];  
 8 acres of land late in the tenure of Thomas Peyntour;  
 14 acres of land late in the tenure of John Coldrey, with the burden  
 of repairing all ditches and sea walls belonging to all the  
 aforesaid lands.  
 The mill called pollard mylle, with the burden of repairing its  
 walls and roof;  
 All oblations and tithes, both greater and lesser, of Goldcliff;  
 All tithes of sheaves (decimas garbarum) of Nasch [Nash] and  
 Wyddeston [Whitson];  
 All mortuaries belonging to the priory;  
 All capons issuing from the tenants at Christmas;  
 The fishery called Frayday tyde of all tenants;  
 All works of customary tenants called Bede Repys;  
 And sufficient timber for repairing the buildings of the priory and  
 for fuel for the master and his servants, both from Coldrey wood  
 and elsewhere within the priory, without committing waste.

Averay must have remained as keeper until the early 1480s. There  
 is a vacated grant of 28 September 21 Edward IV [1481] in ECR 60/LB/1,  
 fol. 117 to Henry, Duke of Buckingham and William Catesby of  
 Northamptonshire, esq., which must presumably have been implemented  
 briefly before Buckingham's execution in 1483 and Catesby's death  
 in 1485 since the rent rolls and bursars' indentures in the 1490s  
 mention money owing from their executors in arrear from the period  
 when they were joint farmers.

The College acquitted Averay, late warden (gardianus), of all  
 actions ab origine mundi in 1484 (ECR 60/LB/1, fol. 121r) and  
 granted the priory of Goldcliff to Sir James Tirell, knight, for  
 7 years at an annual rent of £50 (ECR 60/LB/1, fols. 123v - 124r,  
 dated 28 September 1484). In addition to advowsons of churches,  
 woods and great trees are reserved to Eton, as are courts and



perquisites, of which Tirell is to make an annual account to the College. The duty of retaining two priests at his own expense remains. Tirell, one of Richard III's intimates, had been appointed sheriff of Wentloog and steward of Newport and Wentloog earlier in September 1484 (CPR 1476-1485, p.474); the grant of Goldcliff must have consolidated further his control in that part of South Wales.

This grant too was soon vacated, and a fresh one made to William Fyssher, Treasurer of the Duke of Bedford and Earl of Pembroke (Jasper Tudor), on 19 December 1485 (ECR 60/LB/1, fols. 124v-125r). The terms were similar to the earlier grants, but the grant was for 27 years rather than 7. On 27 February 1491 a new grant was made to Prior Reginald of Monmouth and William Fyssher (now described as 'of Clapham, gent.') for 21 years. This was the last of what appear to have been political appointments. In September 1500 the priory was conveyed to William Atwater, clerk, doctor of theology (ECR 60/LB/1, fols. 136v-137r), a Fellow of Eton from 1482 to 1489, rector of Piddlehinton from 1487 to 1509 and Bishop of Lincoln from 1514 to his death in 1521.

There must have been difficulty in collecting revenues in the 1490s because Goldcliff drops out of the rent rolls between 1497 and 1500. The bursars' indentures, however, show receipts in each year during the gap, paid mainly by Richard Hoskyn, described in the 1495 rent roll as appruator (approver or improver). He remained in the College's service for many years, appearing later as bailiff of husbandry (see ECR 42/181-3, ECR 64/103-4). In the rent roll for 1501, ECR 61/RR/17, r7d, the comptus of magister William Atwater, doctor, farmer at Goldcliff, shows no arrears because this is his first account. The Prior of Monmouth and William Fyssher had presumably been unsatisfactory farmers (they owed rents in arrear in 1496 but are not mentioned thereafter) and Hoskyn seems to have acted until the new farmer was appointed. The evidence is, however, very scanty.

It is not clear how long Atwater acted as farmer for there is a gap until the grant on 8 December 31 Henry VIII 1539 to Geoffrey Danyell of Clatford, Wiltshire, of the manors of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey for 20 years at an annual rent of £100. For the first time the obligation to support two priests has disappeared, but it seems probable that it had gone some decades before.

With the possible exception of Beggar in Yorkshire, Goldcliff was the most remote of Eton's estates. Litigation was a common inheritance of the beneficiaries of alien priory lands, and at Goldcliff the troubled years of the mid fifteenth century and the friction between native Welsh and English lords and their officials probably added to its litigious propensities. It was, in addition, a difficult site, on a coast where storms and tides were constantly breaking down the sea walls and eroding the land. The College attempted to exercise control of the estate through local officials: an agent, a receiver, a steward of the courts and the tenants of the various properties, especially the manor of Goldcliff. The correspondence and accounts of its eighteenth and early nineteenth century agents, especially Westcot Littleton and Thomas Bold, the one a local rector, the other a country solicitor, show what a difficult estate it was to manage profitably, and how maintenance of the sea walls and gouts constituted an almost continuous expense which fell solely on the College and other landowners whose land adjoined the sea rather than on all landowners on the Level. Nevertheless, in 1846 Thomas Batcheldor, the Registrar of the College, could write that Goldcliff ought to be one of the best, not the worst, of the College's estates (ECR 64/309).

The College's records relating to Goldcliff and Coldra have been calendared in two parts. H.N. Blakiston prepared a detailed calendar of those documents that he knew about in 1959: Eton College Records 42. Unfortunately he missed a great many closely related records, and these have now been calendared as ECR 64. The two calendars must be used together since related documents may be in different calendars, and gaps in one list are often filled by entries in the other. ECR 64 contains some references back to ECR 42, but it would have been cumbersome to attempt to insert references to every related document from the earlier calendar. The similarity of arrangement and the detailed indexes should help the user to find all the references he needs without difficulty.

Place names have been standardized in accordance with the spellings in Melville Richards, Welsh Administrative and Territorial Units, Medieval and Modern (Cardiff, University of Wales Press, 1969), with the exception of Coldra which was always known as Coldrey.

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DEEDS AND LEASES

1. N.d. [?1174 x 1211]\*

Confirmation by Hoel' de Carliun [Hywel of Caerleon] to the monks serving the church of St. Mary Magdalene [priory of Goldcliff] of all gifts of churches, lands and alms which he and his predecessors and men made to them, to hold in frankalmoign for ever, namely:

- (i) of his gift, the church of Wndi [Undy], a mill and 1 acre of land and 2 burgages at Caerleon;
- (ii) of the gift of Morgan [ab Owain] the mill next to langestan [Langstone];
- (iii) of the gift of Morgan the younger 10s worth of land at fraxinum [Nash];
- (iv) of the gift of Morgan and I[orwerth ab Owain] 2 fisheries in the Usk, one called fifwere and the other opposite, and 200 acres in the moor;
- (v) from Wronu [?Grono] the son of Nicholas 5s worth of land in the moor in exchange;
- (vi) of the gift of William the chamberlain 5s worth of land at Nash;
- (vii) of the gift of Caradoc the land of bule moor [Bulmore in Christchurch];
- (viii) of the gift of W[ronu] son of Nicholas and Cadug' [Cadwgan] his brother 1 fishery at colemannes pulle [?pill].

Witnesses: Richard the chaplain, Philip the clerk, Robert the clerk of Newport (Novob'), Jocelin (Gocel') the son of Everard, R. Was.

Endorsed in ?13th century hand: Carta Hoel' de donationibus Ecclesiarum et terrarum et aliarum rerum

(A reference in the same hand and ink is unclear: ?arabic 5, perhaps preceded by a word, letter or number)

Endorsed in 15th century hand: Gooldeclyve

By seal tag: ix

Possible filing hole on centre fold; seal missing

See Appendix I for transcript

\*This range of dates is suggested by Dr David Crouch in D. Crouch and G.C.G. Thomas, 'Three Goldcliff Charters', Journal of the National Library of Wales (forthcoming), whose help is gratefully acknowledged.

2. N.d., ?15th - early 16th century copy, probably made for legal purposes

Paper copy of ECR 64/1, with slight variants.

Endorsed: Copia cart' piscar' in aqua de Usk'

Fragile, damaged by damp

3. N.d., ?16th century copy of deed of ?mid 13th century\*

Grant by Henry prior of Goldcliff and the convent there to William Blewett, lord of langstane [Langstone] and his heirs of a gout across dubeleis [Dulais]<sup>+</sup> stream through the middle of the monks' land as far the their great gout which falls into pullard [?the pill] to drain William's meadow which lies between the land of Andrew the chaplain of K[ar]liun [Caerleon] and the pasture of lanwarne [Llanwern] on the one side, and the meadow of lord Nicholas de Mora and the monks' embankment (fossata) next to dubeleis on the other, to hold the said gout in perpetuity, rendering annually 10s sterling at Easter; on condition that the prior and monks have a sluice running in their embankment whenever need arises.

If the meadow should flood so that damage is done to the monks' land, the gout is to be stopped up until the flood has subsided; when it subsides the gout may again be opened.

William and his heirs are bound to make and maintain a wall on the east side of their meadow from the wall belonging to Andrew the chaplain up to the alder grove of Llanwern, and another wall on the north from Nicholas' meadow aforesaid to the monks' wall next to dubeleis.

William and his heirs are bound to make and maintain these walls so that no fresh water passes them, nor may they allow any water to enter the gout except water from their meadow.

The prior and monks and their successors are bound to embank (fossare) and maintain the wall which lies between dubeleis and the aforesaid meadow, from Andrew's land as far as the land of Llanwern to the same height as their wall called Monekewall [Monkwall], except for 20 feet in length in the same wall to the north of the aforesaid meadow which the monks have granted to William and his heirs in perpetuity for them to have free ingress and egress for carrying on their business. William and his heirs shall maintain the said 20 feet in length to the same height.

If a breach occurs in the wall which the monks do not mend, William and his heirs may repair the breaches from their land and up to the same height.

William and his heirs are bound to make and maintain the said gout at their costs, and to find timber to make the sluice whenever need arises; and the monks and their successors are to make the sluice at their costs whenever need arises, and the sluice is to be closed whenever need arises.

For this grant William paid 40s sterling.

If the 10s annual rent is not fully paid by the term when it is due, the monks and their successors may force William and his heirs by seizing the said gout or any oxen which are found on their land until the 10s has been fully paid.

Witnesses: lord William de Sancto Muro [de Saint Maur], Robert de Mora, Nicholas de Wideston [Whitson], knights, Roger de Wilecke Richard de Portere..., Bartholomew his brother, Gilbert Ospec and others.

See Appendix I for transcript

\* Henry was prior of Goldcliff c. 1248-9 (see David H. Williams, 'Goldcliff Priory', The Monmouthshire Antiquary, Vol. 3 (1970-1), p.51 and David Knowles and others, Heads of Religious Houses England & Wales 940-1216 (Cambridge, 1972), p.103).

A William Blewett was lord of Langstone c.1270. There were two men named William de Saint Maur, one fl. c.1230, and the other c.1271 (Ex inf. W.H. Baker, former County Archivist of Gwent).



3 (cont.)

<sup>+</sup>Identified by Mr W.H. Baker as Dulais stream. It appears in ECR 64/654 as Develes or Monk ditch (into which it emptied) and in ECR 64/655 as Geneles and Denelese, presumably because the name was unfamiliar to the later, perhaps English, copyist.

4. N.d., ?15th - early 16th century copy of charter of 1249 x 1263\*

Confirmation by Maurice, [prior] of Goldcliva [Goldcliff], and the convent to Robert son of Simon and his heirs of all the priory land [?in] the manor of Radewyke [Redwick] which lies on the road called in English Velstonstrete next to that castle that Simon son of Robert gave them in frankalmoign; and all the land in the same marsh that lies on the road called in English lesdestrete which Walter son of Durant and his mother gave them in frankalmoign in his croft to the south next to Camoscroft; and 2 acres which Walter son of Pain (Paganus) gave them in frankalmoign which lie in Redwick in Grenemere [Green Moor], to possess them freely and by hereditary right for ever, rendering yearly for all services, aids and demands 6s at Michaelmas, the Purification and Hockday. In exchange for each hereditament, before he enters upon the said land, he is to pay one mark of silver lest at any time he should have performed the accustomed features of villein service for him and his heirs from that time on.<sup>+</sup>

On account of that they grant Robert his liberty of commons. For this confirmation Robert gave them 1 mark of silver.

Witnesses: Thomas, then chaplain of Goldcliff, William, then chaplain of Nash, Adam, chaplain of Wyddeston [Whitson], Robert de Mora and Walter de Roma.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand commonly found on documents used in law suits: The Prior of Goldcliff grant to Rob' Symons of Radwick Lesdestreete 2 acre in Greenmeere.

Paper

See Appendix I for transcript

\*Maurice was prior of Goldcliff until 1263, possibly succeeding Henry in 1249: see list of priors in David H. Williams, 'Goldcliff Priory', The Monmouthshire Antiquary, vol. 3 (1970-1), p.51.

<sup>+</sup>The latter part of this copy appears to be corrupt.

5. Nd., ?15th - early 16th century copy of lost original dated Goldcliff. Sunday after the Invention of the Holy Cross 12 Richard II [9 May 1389]

Grant by Germanus, prior of Goldcliff, with the consent of the convent, to Walter Sealf of 58 acres of arable and 5½ acres of meadow with appurtenances called Durantesfeld, lying in the parish of Nash within the lordship of Goldcliff, between Gillangespulle on the south, Blenchispulle on the east and the water of Usk on the north and west.

Walter and his legitimate heirs are to hold the land in perpetuity, rendering yearly 31s 9d at the Purification, Hockday and Michaelmas for all services and secular demands, reserving to the prior and convent suit of court and one heriot on the death of each tenant.

If Walter and his heirs fail, the land shall revert to the prior and convent in perpetuity.

5 (cont.)

Witnesses: Lewis ap David, then steward of Goldcliff, Philip Lla', then bailiff of Coldrey [Coldra], William Cook, Robert Ieuerth, Henry Halle, John Machon, Thomas Howe

Endorsed: Copia Cart' de durantsfeld

Paper

6. N.d., ?15th century paper copy of deed dated: the Chapter House at Goldcliff, 2 October 14 [?2]8

Agreement between Laurence, prior of the priory of St Mary Magdalene of Goldcliff, and the convent there, patrons of the parish church of Goldcliff in Wales in the diocese of Llandaff on the one part, and dominus John ap Ieuan, perpetual vicar of the same parish church, presented by the prior and convent aforesaid and instituted and inducted by the bishop of Llandaff, on the other part.

- (i) The vicar shall occupy the vicarage and shall serve and reside there according to the law;
- (ii) the prior and convent shall provide adequate food and drink for the vicar, and he shall have an honourable seat at their table as often as he wishes except when the great number of distinguished strangers shall make it impossible;
- (iii) the prior and convent shall provide a boy to serve the vicar, and shall provide suitable food and drink for him with their servants, and all the other things recited below, namely stabling and fodder for one horse belonging to the vicar with their horses in hay and grass both in winter and in summer;
- (iv) the prior and convent shall provide the vicar and his servant with a decent room and sufficient fuel in winter, and as many candles as are needed, to be delivered by the hand of the cellarer;
- (v) the vicar shall receive yearly from the prior and convent in cash (in denariis numeratis) 6 marks of legal English money to be paid to him or his attorney at the feast of St Luke the Evangelist and at Hockday in equal portions, and 3d for oblations at Christmas, and 2d at Easter, and 1d on the feast of St Mary Magdalene, and money paid for marriages and all offerings for confession and money paid for exequies;
- (vi) if the vicar becomes too weak and infirm to carry out his ministry, he shall have food and drink, a servant and a room, as above written, and shall receive 33s 4d yearly, to be paid at the terms aforesaid;
- (vii) if the prior and convent should fall into arrear in whole or in part with their payments, the vicar or his attorney may freely enter their rectory of Nash and distrain, and retain the things distrained until he is fully paid.

Fragile and torn.

Copied into Eton College Charter book 1 (ECR 60/CB/1), fols 60r-v.

7. Pencoyde [Pencoed in the manor of Llanmartin, Mon], 15 July 6 Henry VII [1491]

Letters of attorney.

James Walshe, William Gunter, vicar of Christchurch, and John Baysse appoint as their attorney Morgan ap Thomas of Langstone, esq., to deliver to Morgan ap John, son and heir of John ap Morgan, knight, and his heirs and assigns full and peaceful possession and seisin of

7 (cont.)

and in a parcel of land called Durantesfeld with appurtenances lying at Le Naysshe [Nash] within the lordship of Goldcliff, which he has by their charter of feoffment.

Subscribed: By Thomas Morgan

Tongues for three seals, now missing.

8. N.d. and incomplete\*

Grant by (names omitted) in perpetuity to [?Dafyd]d Langley, D[afyd]d Phylpott, John Langley, William D[afyd]d Guyllym, James Parker', Philip Her', Dunstan Yeyle and John ap Jones of [no property given, but subscribed note reads 'The copy of the charter of the church howse of Goldclyff'], rendering yearly to the grantors and their successors one ounce of pepper at Michaelmas for all services, heriots, reliefs, profits and assizes of bread and ale and all other victuals, and all other secular demands; reserving to the grantors and their successors forfeitures falling in by reason of death of men or women, felony, battery, affray or disturbance of the peace.

Endorsed: the Church howse of Cristchurch in Wallia

\*ECR 60/LB/1, fol. 163r is an engrossment of a grant of 8 Henry VIII to some of the same people. It therefore seems probable that the grantor was Eton College and the date early 16th century.

9. 12 October 24 Henry VII [1508]

Bond in £20 by Thomas Hall otherwise called Tomlyn Hall of Goldcliff in Netherwent in Wales, Henry Hall of Goldcliff, Philip Smyth of Nassh [Nash] in Netherwent, Philip Bole of Clifton of Goldcliff, William Wylkyn of the same, Richard Hoskyns of the same, Philip Bole of Gowt of Goldcliff, William Valke of the same, Richard Bole of the same, William Gryffith of Nash, William Pope of Goldcliff and Thomas Gene of the same, to Roger Lupton, Provost, and Eton College, for performance of conditions, covenants and payments contained in a pair of indentures made between the parties bound and the Provost and College.

Four seal tongues, 10 out of 12 seals remain

Endorsed in contemporary hand: Goldcleif

10. 1 June 2 Henry VIII [1510]

Lease indented by Roger Lupton, Provost, and Eton College to Richard Waythyn, vicar of Goldcliff, of the tithe corn of Goldcliff and of Porton [in Goldcliff] and the mill of Goldcliff, for 7 years if Richard continue as vicar so long, paying yearly £9 6s 8d sterling at Michaelmas and the feast of the Annunciation, the first year to begin on the feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist next; and also the privy tithes of Goldcliff with appurtenances for 7 years, paying £3 6s 8d yearly at the same terms. If he defaults in paying the rents, the Provost and College or their attorney may distrain his goods and cattle until they are satisfied, and they may re-enter the premises.

10. (cont.)

Seal missing

Endorsed in contemporary hand: Goldcleif pro decimis Garbarum

11. 7 September 13 Henry VIII [1521]

Quitclaim by John ap Morgan of Carlion [Caerleon] in the marches of Wales, gent., to the Provost and College of Eton of all right and title in 63½ acres of land called Durauntisfeld with appurtenances, lying the the parish of Nassehe [Nash] in Netherwent in the marches of Wales, parcel of the lordship of Goldcliff.

Seal tag and seal missing

12. Eton College, 16 September 13 Henry VIII [1521]

Counterpart of lease indented by Roger Lupton, Provost, and Eton College to John ap Morgan of Carlyon [Caerleon] in the marches of Wales, gent., of 63½ acres of land and meadow called Durautesfeld, with half a fishery belonging, lying in the parish of Nash in Netherwent in the marches of Wales, part of the lordship of Goldcliff, reserving to the Provost and College waifs, strays, wrecks of the sea and all other escheats whatsoever; to hold from Michaelmas 1521 for 50 years, rendering yearly 31s 9d of legal English money at the Annunciation and Michaelmas. John and his assigns are to pay all charges issuing out of the property, and the cost of all repairs next to the sea, whether to sea walls, ditches, dikes or fences (sive muris marinis fossis fossat' clausur') and any other repairs to the same property, during the term of the lease; and to hand the property over at the end of the term in good repair. If the rent is unpaid for 3 months, or if there is any defect in repairs to the sea walls, the Provost and College have the right to re-enter.

Signed and sealed by John Morgan

Endorsed in angular 18th century hand: 13 H. 8 Counterpart of Jo: Morgans lease

Engrossed in Lease Book, ECR 60/LB/1 fol. 178v.

13. N.d.

Paper copy of ECR 64/12.

Note in contemporary hand: Copia Indenture Johannis Morgan

Added in a different, ?later hand: for Durantsfeld

Endorsed in angular 18th century hand: 13 H. 8 JB (?) Jo: Morgans Lease of 63 acres & Durrants field ½ fishing

14. 19 May 14 Henry VIII [1522]

Lease indented by Master Roger Lupton, Provost, and Eton College to David Phot' [Philpot] and John Phot' of the parish of Christchurch in Wales of the tithing sheaf (tythyng sheffe, tethyng shefe) only appertaining to the parsonage of Christchurch, to hold from the feast of the Annunciation next for 15 years, paying annually £7 6s 8d.

Top of seal tag and fold up subscribed: Per me Willelmum Weste

Seal missing



14. (cont.)

Endorsed in angular 18th century hand: 14 H. 8 Lease of the tythes of Christ church. Rent 7<sup>11</sup> - 6 - 8

15. 6 March 17 Henry VIII [1526]

Acknowledgement by Sir William Morgan, knight, vice-chamberlain to 'my lady prynces her grace' [Mary Tudor, Princess of Wales], that Milton mill within the lordship of Coldrey [Coldra] belongs to Eton College, and also 10 acres of land in Radewyk [Redwick, Mon.] that he holds, and also certain acres of free land in Redwick held of the lordship of Goldcliff, formerly belonging to Robert the son of Symond', for which he and his heirs must pay the Provost and College 6s, and a fine of 13s 4d on every change of heir; he also acknowledges that the Provost and College have 2 acres of meadow called Grassehok' mede within the lordship of Porton; and that he and his heirs must pay the Provost and College yearly 10s for a watercourse in Langston more [Langstone moor] and 6d yearly for a wall. He acknowledges that the lands and rent rehearsed belong to the lordships of Goldcliff and Coldrey, and so to the Provost and College of Eton, and that neither he nor his heirs nor any others in their name should vex or trouble the Provost and College or anyone who shall occupy the land for the College.

Signed and sealed by Sir William Morgan in the presence of Master Doctor Denton, Chancellor to my lady princess

Subscribed: Wyll'm Morgan

Seal: dragon

Endorsed in contemporary hand: Syr Will'm Morgan Knyght Coldrey yn Wales pro Collegio Etone

In Thomas Martin's hand: Milton Mill No. 3

In ?18th century hand: 6 March 17 Henry 8

S<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Morgans acknouegment Imprimis that Milton mill in Coldrey belongs to the College item: 10 acres in Radwyk  
5 (cancelled) 6 (subscribed)s per annum he and his heires to pay for certain acres of freehold in Radwike in Goldcliff & 13s - 4d at the change of every Heire that the College has 2 acres called Grasshocke mead in the Lordship of Porton Sr Wm: to pay 10s per annum for a watercourse in Langston more item for a wall 6d yett after this he turned the water from the mill as appears by an order of the princess counsell 19 H. 8

Engrossed in Lease Book, ECR 60/LB/1, fol. 178v.

16. 20 March 20 Henry VIII [1529]

Writing, formerly sealed with the common seal of the Provost and College of Eton, stating that the Provost and College have the parsonage of Goldcliff in Netherwent whereby they are charged with a vicar and a payment to him yearly of £8 sterling, and payment to a priest called Mary Magdalene priest £5 6s 8d yearly.

For the payment of the said £13 6s 8d the Provost and College agree that Master Richard Wathen, the present vicar, shall receive the profits of the parsonage, and the overplus shall be used by him for repairs to the houses within the precinct

16. (cont.)

of the manor of Goldcliff that he thinks most in need of repair. This writing is to serve as sufficient warrant for Wathen.

Seal missing  
Engrossed in ECR 60/LB/2, fol. 16r.

ECR 42/2: Bond in £20 by Wathen to the Provost and College for repair of all houses in the manor of Goldcliff, 20 March 1530.

17. 24 May 25 Henry VIII [1533]

Quitclaim by Morgan ap Morgan to Roger Lupton, Provost, and Eton College of all his right to or interest in a water mill and a messuage called Milton Mill situated within the lordship of Coldrey [Coldra] in Netherwent in the marches of Wales, with the water course and pool (cum cursus aquarum et Stangno) appertaining.

Witnesses: John Morgan of Caerleon, gent., William Vaghan, gent., Master Oliver Stonynge, Geoffrey Danyell

Endorsed in angular 18th century hand: 25 H. 8 Morgan ap Morgans quitting all claim to Mi[1]ton mill the watercourse & pool

Leases produced in legal cases: ECR 64/705, 709-715

709. 1 February 1639  
710-714. 9 May 1651  
705. 20 September 1651  
715. 14 April 1655

18. 17 December 8 William III, 1696

Agreement between the Provost and College of Eton and Lawrence Lord of Fritwell, Oxon., gent.: by indenture of the same date the Provost and College have leased to Lord the manors of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra] in Monmouthshire for 20 years; amongst rents and covenants is one requiring Lord to pay 30 oxen of different sizes yearly, or in default £3 6s 8d each for the moiety of the oxen of lesser size, and £5 6s 8d each for the moiety of the larger size. The parties agree that if Lord pays the College £30 for every 10 oxen he shall be discharged of the obligation. This agreement is similar to one with the previous tenant, Henry Milbourne, esq., now deceased, made at first because of the great quantity of land swallowed up by the sea.

Signed by the Provost, Vice Provost and 4 Fellows

19. 24 December 1725

Bond in £500 by Henry Morgan of Lantarnam [Llantarnam, Llanfihangel Llantarnam] Mon., esq., to Henry Godolphin, Provost, and Eton College, for performance of covenants in lease of even date.

Endorsed: Goldcliff

20. N.d., probably c.21 January 1745

Abstract of conditions contained in an agreement made between Westcot Littleton [agent for Eton College] and Charles Tamplin for the Hill and Murbourn Farms [Hill Farm, Goldcliff and Moor Barn Farm (variously spelt), Nash], at a rent of £115, 21 January 1745:

- (i) Tamplin may enter the fishery granted with the farms at Candlemas next to hold for 7 years;
- (ii) no maiden or meadow land may be ploughed except the banks on the sides of the ditches; he is not to plough more than 20 acres of land in any one year, and not more than 10 acres the last 2 years of the lease, nor to raise more than 3 crops of grain on any land;
- (iii) all the ways to and from the lime kiln are reserved for the use of Eton College;
- (iv) all sea stakes are to be collected by Tamplin for the College's use;
- (v) he is not to dispose of or make use of stones in the Cliff or the old buildings on penalty of paying £5 for every ton of stones;
- (vi) if any sea wall or cross ways should be made before the Cliff, the College is to raise and carry stone from the Cliff, allowing reasonable amends for damage to the tenant;
- (vii) if the lime kiln is destroyed, another should be made;
- (viii) no part of the 34 acres is to be ploughed except the barley stubble for 1 or 2 years and the banks on the sides of the ditches;
- (ix) no land is to be ploughed without leave on the Hill Farm that has not been ploughed within 20 years;
- (x) no dung is to be carried from the premises;
- (xi) houses and outhouses are to be put in repair;
- (xii) a stable, calves' house and waggon house and Mow Barton are to be built at the Hill;
- (xiii) £5 a year is to be spent in casting ditches till they have all been cast;
- (xiv) a lease is to be signed and sealed as soon as offered.

Endorsed by Littleton: Abstract of my Agreement with Tamplin

21. N.d., ?1749

Memorandum of an agreement between the Provost and College of Eton and Capel Hanbury, esq., for the sale of the underwood in Upper and Lower Priors Wood in Christchurch: the cordwood in Christchurch belonging to Eton was last cut in 1736 and then sold by Henry Morgan, esq., at 5s per long cord, which is the present price; the sellers are to pay what shall happen to be more than 2s for cutting each long cord.

Endorsed: Memd. of the sale of wood 1736  
also 1749

The same Agreement. Oct - 19 - 1749

The wood to be cut † the winter 1749

† do 1750

The Ash agreed for with Mrs Hanburys corder either at 22s or 23s per Cord.

22. 19 October 1749

Memorandum of agreement by the Provost and College of Eton to sell to Capel Hanbury, esq., all the underwood in Coppice Wood in Upper and Lower Priors Wood in Christchurch, Mon., part to be cut before the last day of March next and the remaining part before the last day of March 1751, at 5s a long cord, half the money to be paid at the cording and the other half at the fetching it away. No trees in standels are to be cut, nor ash fit for hoops.

Signed by witnesses: William Brookland, Henry Williams

Endorsed: Agreement for selling the wood at Chepstow Oct 1749

23. 19 October 1749

Memorandum of agreement by the Provost and College of Eton to sell to Henry Williams of Llanverthre [?Llanfrechfa], Mon., all the ash underwood fit to be cut for rhine hoops, and all the hazels and withies fit to be cut for smar1 (?) hoops, now standing in Upper and Lower Priors Wood in Christchurch, Mon., part to be cut before the last day of March next and the remaining part before the last day of March 1751, at £1 3s a cord, 20 bundles of rhine hoops and 40 bundles of smar1 hoops to the cord, half to be paid at the cording and the other half at the fetching it away. Mr. Williams is to be at all the expense of cutting and fetching away the wood.

Signed by Henry Williams

Witness: William Brookland

24. 26 December 1751

Agreement by Robert Vaughan and Rowland Paul, overseer of the poor, to pay the 10s rent due to the Provost and College of Eton for a cottage, garden and orchard in the manor of Coldra, Mon., leased by Westcot Littleton, clerk, to Gwenllian Vaughan, widow, to hold for 1 year and then from year to year at the pleasure of the parties for 10s rent clear of all taxes, reparations and outgoings, to be paid at May and Michaelmas.

Marks of Robert Vaughan and Rowland Paul

Witness: Jos. Jones

Subscribed by Littleton: I Gave this Earnest back to Robt Vaughans Mother

25. N.d., ? 1754

Articles of agreement made between Westcot Littleton, clerk, of Shirenewton, Mon., as agent to the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, and John Edwards, farmer, of Wilkreek [Wilcrick], Mon.: Littleton leases the farm containing 94 acres called Murbourn [Moor Barn Farm] in Nash, Mon., now in the possession of Charles Tamplin of Goldcliff or his assigns, except all timber, trees and underwoods on the premises, to Edwards from 13 February next for 3 years, for a rent of £65 yearly and a further £5 a year for every acre of land which Edwards ploughs or converts to tillage, except for 3 acres now stubble which he is at liberty to plough for 1 year only and which he covenants to lay down with clover; Littleton on behalf of the College covenants to cast all the outside ditches of the farm which want casting and to put the messuage in tenantable repair or to allow Edwards such expenses as he shall incur in making repairs and fences; one guinea is to be returned to Edwards when he pays his 3rd year's rent (last 3 words deleted).

Draft of ECR 64/26 in Littleton's hand.

26. 12 February 1754

Articles of agreement between Westcot Littleton, clerk, of Shirenewton, Mon., as agent to the Provost and College of Eton, and John Edwards, farmer, of Wilkreek [Wilcrick], Mon.: terms nearly identical with ECR 64/25. The £5 extra rent is to be paid on any acre which Edwards ploughs without consent of the College or their agent. Littleton covenants to cast all outside ditches that need casting and also one ditch across the 33 acres, another ditch across the 27 acres, and another ditch across the 34 acres if they are wanted, to divide them into 6 parts. One guinea is to be returned to Edwards when he pays his rent every year.



26. (cont.)

Subscribed by Littleton: A copy of the Agreement with John Edwards examined by me Westcot Littleton

Endorsed: Agreement between Littleton & Edwards for Morbourn Farm 1754 No 4

Certified copy in Littleton's hand

27. 23 February 1754

Articles of agreement made between Westcot Littleton, clerk, of Shirenewton, Mon., as agent to the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, and Thomas Bevon of Porton in the parish of Goldcliff, Mon.: Littleton leases to Bevon the dwelling house, outhouses and farm known as Hill Farm in Goldcliff, now or late in the possession of Charles Tamplin, and 21 acres of land formerly belonging to William Hill Evans, gent., dec'd, abutting the land of Hill Farm; reserving to Littleton as agent to Eton College the ground room in the north end of the house called the Parlour, with free liberty of ingress and egress to and from it, and also the lime kiln and lime house on Hill Farm, with liberty to cross the piece of ground called the hill tump to the Cliff, and to carry stones to the kiln or sea walls with the team or dungcrib or other carriages of Westcot Littleton or other agent of the College as often as they think fit; also reserving to the College the right to take stones out of the Cliff to make a sea wall before the Cliff, allowing reasonable amends to Bevon for the loss of the grass he would sustain if the College were to decide to make a sea wall; also reserving to Charles Tamplin, his executors, administrators or assigns the right to such part of the wheat now growing on the land as will come to his share according to the custom of the country, and a right to live in the house and use the buildings until 12 May next.

Bevon's lease is to run from the date of this agreement to 13 February 1757, paying £50 a year for the Hill Farm and £10 17s a year for the 21 acres of land adjoining, with a further £5 for every acre which Bevon ploughs or converts to tillage without leave of the College, except for 5 acres of Hill Farm which is now under wheat and 5 acres of Hill Evans's land which is now bean stubble.

Bevon covenants to pay £5 for every ton of stones which he shall dispose of without leave of the College belonging to Hill Farm or the Cliff, or falling down from them.

Littleton covenants to cast those ditches on the premises that need casting and to grip those pasture grounds that need gripping, and to build a stall house for 6 oxen before 2 November gratis next to the waterside.

Bevon shall have the other 8 acres of land that formerly belonged to William Hill Evans for £4 3s yearly rent unless Littleton keeps them for his own use.

Endorsed: Agreement between Littleton & Bevan for Hill Farm & Hill Evans Farm No.5

Certified copy in Littleton's hand.

28. 28 July 1755

Copy of memorandum of agreement between Evan Evans, gent., agent for the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, and Charles Van of Lanwern [Llanwern], Mon., esq.:

28. (cont.)

Evans agrees to lease to Van the priories or manors of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra] in Netherwent in Monmouthshire, with all lands, tenements, rents, reversions, jurisdictions, fishings, parsonages, tithings, pensions, rents, due by copies of court roll, leets and other courts, woods and underwoods, fines, heriots, royalties and other appurtenances, except the presentations to the churches of Goldcliff, Nash, Christchurch and Whitston [Whitson] and the timber trees now growing on the premises; to hold from 2 February last past for 20 years paying £217 yearly for the lands, corn rent, malt rent and ox rent.

The College shall allow Van the reduced sum of £159 towards putting the premises in tenantable repair, i.e. £53 on 1 May 1756, £53 on 1 May 1757 and £53 on 1 May 1758, to be laid out in repairs according to an estimate made and signed by Evans and Van.

After Van has laid out the £159 in repairing the premises and sea wall, he shall be allowed timber found on the premises for future repairs. Van is to agree to lay out the £159 in repairs before 1 May 1758, and to keep the premises in repair until the determination of his lease, in return for which the College agrees not to increase the annual rent.

Whereas Upper Priors Wood north side of the brook and Lower Priors Wood were cut down between Michaelmas 1749 and Lady Day 1750, and the upper side of Upper Priors Wood next to Coldrey the winter after, Van agrees to leave the coppice wood of the same number of years' growth at the expiration of the lease. He also agrees to leave those standards or timber trees now growing which are to be numbered by persons appointed by the College and Van, except such trees as are cut for repair of the premises.

Endorsed: Mr Van says that there shall be no forfeiture of the lease for non-payment unless the rent be first demanded.

No penalty for not making a Terrar or Rentroll of the Estate till after demanded

29. N.d., ?1755

Draft or partly cancelled copy of ECR 64/28, with endorsement signed by Charles Van.

MANORIAL ROLLS AND EXTRACTS

30. Manor of Goldcliff

Court Roll, 5 rotulets with parchment tie, 1451-1455

Rot. 1: Court held - May 29 Henry VI [1451] before Henry Gruffuth, steward;  
Court held - July 29 Henry VI [1451] " " " steward;

dorse: Court held 21 Oct. 30 Henry VI [1451] before Gruff[uth] ap Ieuan ap Meurik' and William Morgan, deputies;  
Court held 16 March 30 Henry VI [1452] before Gruffin ap Ieuan ap M[eu]ric and William Morgan, deputies for Henry Gruff[uth], steward.

Rot. 2: Court held 9 May 39 Henry VI [1452] before William ap Jankyn ap Ph[ilip]e and Gruffuth ap Ieuan ap Meurik, deputies;  
Court held 24 July 30 Henry VI [1452] before the same deputies;

dorse: Continuation of court of 9 May 1452.

Endorsed in later hands: 30: Regis (?) H 6<sup>o</sup> Rot' 3<sup>o</sup>  
H 6  
30  
—  
Read  
Roll: 3  
Court rolls 4

Endorsed in angular hand: not used

Endorsed below final court entries: q (?) Pro Termino vita  
Finis en .... (faded)  
sive arbitrarie  
30. H. 6ti

Two paper tags pinned on, and hands, grids and other marks written in the margins to indicate entries thought to be of use in later disputes concerning fines, whether fixed or arbitrary (for example, Whichcott et al v. Morgan et al, ECR 64/699-708)

Rot. 3: Court of John Galeys, abbot of Tewkesbury, lord of the manor, held 4 Oct. 31 Henry VI [1452] before Morgan ap Jankyn ap Phelipp, steward;

dorse: Court held 8 April 31 Henry VI [1453] before Morgan ap Jankyn Ph[ilip]e, steward (ends Respice plus de ista Curia in Rotul' huic annex', but no continuation found).

Endorsed: 31: 32: 33 H: 6  
[Golde]clif Rotul' Cur' ibidem de anno xxxj<sup>mo</sup>

Rot 4: Continuation of court held Monday after St Mary Magdalene 32 Henry VI [29 July 1454] (no earlier record found);  
Fair hundred (Hundr' Nundi[n]arum) held 29 July 1454;  
Court of John Galeys, abbot of Tewkesbury, lord of the manor, held 12 Nov. 33 Henry VI [1454] before John Robynet, deputy for John Norres, steward;

dorse: (top partly trimmed away): Court held 1 (or -1) May 33 Henry VI (1455) before John Robynet;

Court of John Galeys, abbot of Tewkesbury, lord of the manor, held Thursday after St Mary Magdalene 33 Henry VI [24 July 1455] before John Robynet, deputy for John Norreys, esq., steward.

Rot. 5: Continuation of court held 24 July 1455.

Endorsed: Rot' 3<sup>o</sup> (deleted) 4<sup>o</sup>  
32.33: Hen' 6ti

In a later angular hand: read & of no use  
Court Rolls H 6.

30. (cont.)

Rotulets 4 and 5 have parchment tags sewn or pinned on; all have marginal marks such as hands to indicate entries relating to fines paid on entry.

ECR 42/55: Manor of Coldrey, courts 1470-1477.

31. Manor of Goldcliff

Court Roll, 3 parchment rotulets, 1 paper folio, with parchment tie, 1490-1496, 1504

- Rot. 1: Court of the Prior held 13 Oct. 6 Henry VII [1490] before Walter Herbert, knight, steward;
- dorse: Court of the Provost of Eton [Eton] held 13 Oct. 7 Henry VII [1491] before Walter Herbert, knight, steward; Single admissions for 13 Oct. 1490 and 13 Oct. 1491, with marginal annotations in a later hand: A to F
- Rot. 2: Court held 26 Oct. 8 Henry VII [1492] before John ap Gui<sup>li</sup> [?Gwillym] Thomas, deputy for Walter Herbert, knight, steward (triangle and G in margin);
- dorse: Court held 15 Oct. 9 Henry VII [1493] before Thomas, deputy; Court held 5 Feb. 9 Henry VII [1494] before John David, deputy for Walter Herbert, knight, steward; Court held 15 Oct. 10 Henry VII [1494] before Walter Herbert, steward (triangles and H in margin).
- Rot. 3: Continuation of previous court (?); Court held 18 May 10 Henry VII [1495] before Herbert (J to O and other marginal marks);
- dorse: Continuation of previous court; Court held 8 Oct. 11 Henry VII [1495] before John ap Gui<sup>li</sup> Thomas; Court held 15 March 11 Henry VII [1496] before John David, deputy (P in margin).
- Subscribed on shaped tongue used as wrapper: Goldclyffe  
Anni Henrici Septimi vj<sup>o</sup>. vij<sup>o</sup>. viij<sup>o</sup>. ix<sup>o</sup>. x<sup>o</sup>. xj<sup>o</sup>. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.  
In a later hand and darker ink: No I a

Paper folio used as Rot. 4: Court of Master Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, held 14 June 19 Henry VII [1504] before Robert Hatton and William Jamys, deputies for Herbert (Q, R, S and other marginal marks);  
Coldrey: court held the same day before the same deputies (T in margin).

dorse: It is ordent (?) that [?no] man hack nor hew in no man is wod[es] grovus and heg[es] peyn of vij<sup>s</sup> everi defaute  
Item that no man breke no man is heg[es]

32. Wrapper, possibly formerly stitched to ECR 64/31, labelled Goldcliffe Hen. 7. take notice of the Fines here that are mark'd A B C etc  
Reverse annotated: Rot' 1<sup>o</sup> Henr' vij<sup>o</sup> to be used att heareing the Cause  
note all the Fines conteyned in this roll are under the value of the Cheife rents

In angular hand: usefull  
and other similar annotations.

ECR 42/56: Manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey, courts 1496-1498.

33. Manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey

Court Roll, 1 paper folio (torn), 1503



33. (cont.)

Manor of Goldcliff: Court of the Provost of Eton held Thursday 19 October 19 Henry VII [1503] before Robert Hatton, deputy for Walter Herbert, knight, steward.

Manor of Coldrey: Court held the same day and year.

Marginal notes and marks indicate fines paid on admission.

Endorsed: a = No 8 Court Rolls Goldcliff  
Coldre

19 H. 7

In a later hand: Rot' de compt' (?) E.4 et H.7

34. Manor of Coldrey

Part of a court roll, possibly for Goldcliff and Coldrey, formerly stitched to another folio or folios, 1505

Superscribed: It is ordeyned be the lorde and his tenauntes that everi tenaunt make Redy their see Walles o this half the feste Saynt John and Jacob peyne of xxs everi tenaunt

Manor of Coldrey: Court held penultimate day of February 20 Henry VII [27 Feb. 1505]

Endorsed: Goldcliff  
Rotul ' Cur' de Goldclyf

ECR 42/57: Manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey, courts 1514-1515  
ECR 42/58: " " " " " " 1517-1518  
ECR 42/61: " " " " " court 1529  
ECR 42/62A No manor specified, court 1530  
ECR 42/64: Manor of Goldcliff, courts 1589-1592.

35. Manor of Goldcliff

Court rolls, 37 paper folios, sewn to form a book with parchment wrappers (in poor condition, too fragile for production), 9-15 James I [1611-1617].

fol. 2r: Court baron of Thomas Halswell, Edward Rumsey, James Johns and Ralph Dounford, gentlemen, farmers, before William Thomas, gent., steward, 5(-?)9 & 44 James I [between 5 April & 5 July 1611];  
Court baron of Thomas Halswell, Edward Rumsey and Ralph Dounford, gents., farmers of the manor, before William Thomas, gent, steward, - July 9 James I [1611];

fol. 2v: blank

fol. 3r: Court baron of Halswell, Rumsey, Johns and Dounford, before Thomas, 21 August 9 James I [1611];  
View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 2 October 9 James I [1611];

fol. 3v: Court baron of Halswell, Rumsey and Dounford before Thomas, 30 October 9 James I [1611];

fol. 4r & v: Court baron of - Rumsey (details missing);

fol. 5r-6r: View of frankpledge with court baron of Halswell and Dounford before Thomas, 29 April 10 James I [1612];

fol. 6r: Court baron of Halswell, Rumsey and [Dounford] before Thomas, 27 May 10 James I [1612];

35. (cont.)

fol. 6r-7r: Court baron of Thomas [Halswell], Rumsey and Ralph [Dounford], Wednesday, - August [?10 James I, 1612];

fol. 7v-8r: Court with view of frankpledge of Halswell, Rumsey and Dounford, before Thomas, 30 Sept. 10 James I [1612];

fol. 8v-9v: court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 18 December 10 James I [1612];

fol. 9v-10v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 3 February 10 James I [1613];

fol. 10v-11v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 10 March 10 James I [1613];

fol. 11v-12r: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 21 April 11 James I [1613];

fol. 12r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 19 May 11 James I [1613] (heading crossed through);

fol. 13r: As previous court, 19 May 1613;

fol. 13r & v: Court baron of same farmers before Thomas, 24 June 11 James I [1613];

fol. 13v-15v: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before the same, 6 October 11 James I [1613];

fol. 16r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 17 November 11 James I [1613];

fol. 16v-17r: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 19 January 11 James I [1614];

fol. 17r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 16 February 11 James I [1614];

fol. 17v-18r: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 23 March 11 James I [1614];

fol. 18r-20r: View of frankpledge of the same farmers before Thomas, 11 May 12 James I [1614];

fol. 20r: Court baron of the same farmers before William Thomas and William Ieuan, stewards, 6 July 12 James I [1614];

fol. 20v-21r: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 31 August 12 James I [1614];

fol. 21v-22v: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 10 October 12 James I [1614];

fol. 23r: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 14 December [12] James I [1614];

fol. 23v-24v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 18 January 12 James I [1615];

fol. 25r: Court baron of Halswell and Dounford before William, Ieuan, 15 February 12 James I [1615];

fol. 25v: View of frankpledge with court baron of Halswell and Dounford before Thomas and Ieuan, 26 April 13 James I [1615];

fol. 26v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 9 August 13 James I [1615];

35. (cont.)

fol. 27r: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Ieuan, 4 October 13 James I [1615];

fol. 28r-29r: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 20 December 13 James I [1615];

fol. 29r: Court baron of the same farmers before Ieuan, 21 February 13 James I [1616];

fol. 30r: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Thomas, 17 April 14 James I [1616];

fol. 31v-32r: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 5 June 14 James I [1616];

fol. 32r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 10 July 14 James I [1616];

fol. 33v-35v: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Ieuan, 2 October 14 James I [1616];

fol. 35v-37r: Court baron of the same farmers before Ieuan, 20 November 14 James I [1616];

fol. 37v: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers, 7 May 15 James I [1617] (heading deleted and no entries).

Cover labelled: Court Rolls James R (or Ist?)

In a different hand: Gouldeclift Mannor Courts from 9<sup>o</sup> Jacobi to 14<sup>o</sup> Jac.

9 to 14  
Jac. 1<sup>mi</sup>

Partly illegible notes on back cover

ECR 42/67: Manor of Goldcliff, courts 1619-1629

36. Manor of Coldrey

Courts rolls, 4 paper folios formerly sewn at head, now pinned, 1623-1628.

Courts of Thomas Halswell and Ralph Dounford, gentlemen, farmers of the manor.

fol. 1r: Court baron held 2 July 21 James I [1623] before William Thomas, gent., and Phillip Watkyns, stewards;

fol. 1v: Court baron held 20 August 21 James I [1623] before Phillip Watkyns, steward;

View of frankpledge and court baron held 28 October 21 James I [1623] before Thomas and Watkyns;

fol. 2r: Court baron held 9 March 22 James I [1625] before Thomas and Watkyns;

fol. 3r: Court baron held 10 August 1 Charles I, 1625, before Thomas and Watkyns;

Court baron held 16 November 1 Charles I, 1625, before Thomas;

fol. 3v, 4r: Court baron held 6 August 4 Charles I, 1628, before Watkyns.

Endorsed: Coldrey Courts from 21 Jac.1. to 3 Car. 1<sup>mi</sup>

37. Manor of Goldcliff

Court rolls, 24 paper folios sewn to form a book with parchment back wrapper, 5-8 Charles I, 1629-1633.

fol. 1r-2r: Court baron of Thomas Halswell and Ralph Dounford, gentlemen, farmers, before William Gryffith, deputy steward of Philip Watkins, gent., steward, 1 July 5 Charles I, 1629; fol. 2r contains presentments of juries for dividing stretches of sea wall;

fol. 3r: Court baron of the same farmers before Gryffith, 29 July 1629;

fol. 4r-5r: the same, 26 August 1629; letters of attorney of Anthony Bassett of Nash, gent., 25 August 1629;

fol. 6r-7r: View of frankpledge and court baron of the same farmers before Philip Watkyns, gent., steward, 30 September 1629;

fol. 7r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Watkyns, 17 March 5 Charles I, 1630;

fol. 8r: Letters of attorney of Anthony Bassett of Newport, 16 March 1630;

fol. 9r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Watkyns, 21 April 1630;

fol. 10r: Ditto, 26 May 1630;

fol. 10r-11r: Ditto, before Watkyns and William Thomas, 21 July 1630;

fol. 11r-12v: View of frankpledge and court baron of the same farmers before William Thomas, esq., and Philip Watkyns, gent., 6 October 1630;

fol. 13r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Watkyns, 19 January 1630 [1631];

fol. 14v-15r: Court baron of the same farmers before Watkyns, 23 March 1630 [1631];

fol. 15r & v: View of frankpledge with court baron of the same farmers before Thomas and Watkyns, 27 April 1631;

fol. 16r & v: Court baron of the same farmers before Thomas & Watkyns, 6 July 1631;

fol. 17: blank;

fol. 18r-19r: Court baron of Ralph Dounford, gent., farmer, before William Thomas, 2 November 1631;

fol. 19v: Court baron of Dounford before William Griffith, steward, 21 March 7 Charles I, 1631 [1632];

fol. 20r & v: View of frankpledge and court baron of Dounford before Watkyns, 18 April 1632;

fol. 21r: Letters of attorney of Alexander Seys of Caerleon, esq., elected bailiff or reeve of Goldcliff, making his son reeve in his stead because of his infirmity, 17 April 1632;

fol. 22r & v: View of frankpledge and court baron of Dounford before Watkyns, 3 October 1632;

fol. 23r & v: copies of leases, 1 December 1632, 30 November 1632;



37. (cont.)

fols. 23v-24v: Court baron of Dounford before Watkyns, 20 March 8 Charles I, 1632 [1633];

Cover (part of old lease re-used) labelled: Court Rolls  
1629 . 5 Car.  
1632 . 8 Car.

Other annotations

ECR 42/71: Manor of Goldcliff, courts 1633-1640

38. Manor of Goldcliff

Court rolls, 14 paper folios, formerly sewn at head, now loose, originally foliated 1, 2, b (?), 3-13, 1646-1649.

fol. 1r & v: Court baron with court of survey (curia supervisionis) of William Herbert of Colebrooke [Coldbrook, Mon.], esq., farmer of the manor, held before James Parry, gent., deputy steward for Rowland Jewkes, esq., chief steward, 14 October 22 Charles I, 1646;

fol. 2r: Court baron held at St. Bride's mill before James Parrie, gent., under steward, 11 November 32 Charles I, 1646 (no entries); similar heading for 23 December 1646, no entries;

fols. 2v-3r (including folio marked ?b): View of frankpledge with court baron held at the dwelling house of Peter Lewelin of Goldcliff before James Parry, deputy steward for Rowland Jewkes, 12 May 23 Charles I, 1647;

fols. 3v-4v: View of frankpledge with court baron before Parry, 13 October 23 Charles I, 1647;

fol. 5r & v: Court baron held before Parry, 5 January 23 Charles I, [1648];

fols. 6r-7r: View of frankpledge with court baron held at Goldcliff before Parrie, 26 April 24 Charles I, 1648;

fols. 7r-8v: Court baron held at the dwelling house of Peter Llewelin of Goldcliff before Parrie, Wednesday 21 June 24 Charles I, 1648;

fols. 8v, 9r: Court baron held at the dwelling house of Peter Llewelin of Goldcliff before Parrie, Wednesday 19 July 24 Charles I, [1648];

fols. 9v-11v: View of frankpledge with court baron held at Goldcliff before Parry, Wednesday 18 October 24 Charles I, 1648;

fol. 12r & v: Court baron held at St. Bride's mill before Parry, Wednesday 13 December 24 Charles I, 1648;

fol. 13r: Court baron held at St. Bride's mill before Parry, 10 January 24 Charles I, 1648 [1649].

Subscribed: Ex[aminata] per Philippum Williams de Caerlion Clericum Curie predicti.

Endorsed : Goldcliffe Court Books  
1646 22 Car  
to  
1648 24 Car 1<sup>mi</sup>

- ECR 42/73: Manor of Goldcliff, court baron 28 March 1666  
 ECR 42/74: Manor of Goldcliff, view of frankpledge and court baron, 2 May 1666  
 ECR 42/75: Manor of Goldcliff, court baron 27 June 1666  
 ECR 42/76: Manor of Goldcliff, court baron 3 October 1666  
 ECR 42/77: Manor of Goldcliff, court baron 27 March 1667  
 ECR 42/78: Manor of Goldcliff, views of frankpledge and courts baron 24 April 1667 - 1 April 1668  
 ECR 42/79: Manor of Goldcliff, courts baron, halmote courts, views of frankpledge, 30 Sept. 1674 - 2 May 1677  
 ECR 42/80: Manor of Coldrey, courts baron, views of frankpledge, 9 August 1676 - 11 April 1695  
 ECR 42/81: Manor of Goldcliff, courts baron, halmote courts, views of frankpledge 27 March 1678 - 8 May 1695

39. Manor of Goldcliff

Court rolls, 4 paper folios, formerly stitched at head, now pinned.

Courts of Henry Milborne, esquire, lord of the manor, 1690-1692.

fol. 1r: Court baron held at the dwelling house of Moses Boole of Goldcliff before John Price, steward, 7 May 2 William and Mary, 1690;

fol. 1v: View of frankpledge held at the dwelling house of Thomas James in Nash before William Evans, gent., understeward to John Price, 1 October 2 William and Mary, 1690;  
 court baron, same details, 1 October 1690;

fol. 2r: Halmote court held at the dwelling house of Moses Boole in Goldcliff, innkeeper, before John Ballard, gent., deputy steward, 29 October 2 William and Mary, 1690;  
 halmote court, same details, 14 November 1690;

fol. 2v: View of frankpledge held at the dwelling house of Thomas James of Goldcliff, innkeeper, before John Price, gent., chief steward, 29 April 3 William and Mary, 1691;

fol. 3r: Court baron held at the dwelling house of Thomas James of Goldcliff, innkeeper, before John Price, 29 April 1691;  
 court baron held at the dwelling house of Moses Boole of Goldcliff, innkeeper, before John Price, 11 June 3 William and Mary, 1691;

fol. 3v: View of frankpledge held at the dwelling house of Moses Boole of Goldcliff, innkeeper, before John Ballard, gent., steward, 30 September 3 William and Mary, 1691;  
 court baron, same details, 30 September 1691;

fol. 4v: Halmote court held at the dwelling house of Thomas James of Nash, victualler, before John Price, 20 January 1691 [1692].

Labelled: Goldcliffe Cur 1690 to 1692

40. Manor of Goldcliff

Roll of presentments, lists of tenants returned by the reeve and other documents produced in the administration of the manor, 1674-1677 (59 documents).

41. Manor of Goldcliff

Roll of presentments, warrants, returns of names of tenants and residents, and other documents produced in the administration of the manor, 1682-1688 (97 documents).

42. Manor of Goldcliff

Roll of miscellaneous manorial documents, possibly strays from other rolls of manorial waste: appointment of deputy steward for holding one court, lists of tenants of Goldcliff and Coldrey, presentments, mostly for Goldcliff, 1684-1685, some undated (8 documents).

43. Manor of Goldcliff

Loose court papers: presentments of the jury, 23 April 1673, 4 October 1682, 3 October 1683; record of court baron of Henry Milborne, esq., held 3 October 1677 before Isaac Tomkins, gent., steward; surrender of 1 messuage, 1 garden and 5 acres land in Goldcliff by Henry Herbert of Magor, Mon., gent. to William Keene of Goldcliff, gent. and his heirs; Keene was admitted tenant. Some undated, c.1673-1693 (5 documents).

Endorsement on record of court baron: 15 (in bold hand and black ink)

Mr. Edmund Morgans Coppie of Surrender in Gouldcliffe

44. Manor of Coldrey

Roll of miscellaneous manorial papers: presentments, warrants to summon courts, lists of tenants and residents (resiants), etc., 1683-1693 (77 documents filed with string at top left).

45. Manor of Coldrey

Miscellaneous loose court papers: lists of tenants summoned and presentments for courts held 13 May 1680, 21 October 1680, 13 October 1681, 4 May 1682 and 12 October 1682 (10 documents).

46. Manor of Goldcliff

Presentment of the homage of Goldcliff concerning their customs.

Subscribed: Vera Copia Rotul' Cur' domini de Goldclyff

Marginal annotation in different hand: the fyne att the will of the lord arbitrarie.

Endorsed: Goldeclyffe Annis Henrici vj xxxij<sup>o</sup>. xxv<sup>o</sup>. xxxj<sup>o</sup>. Henr' viij vij<sup>o</sup>. Henr' vj xxxiij<sup>o</sup>. xxxij<sup>o</sup>. xxx<sup>o</sup>. Henric' viij secundo. Edw' iiiij xiij<sup>o</sup>

Paper , torn, right-hand side missing, too fragile for production.

47. Manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey

Copy of presentment of the homage concerning their customs.

Marginal mark against penultimate line, and certain words underlined:  
'after the discretion and good Consciens [of the sayd lorde and]  
none other weyse

Text similar to ECR 64/46, probably both prepared for law suit about  
fines on admission of tenants.

Endorsed: Goldclyf. dicta Tenec' ibidem pro Custumis suis

In a different hand: Red...(?) arbitraria

Paper, edges weak and damaged but more nearly complete than ECR 64/46.

48. Manor of Coldrey

Presentment of Edward Kemeys, esq., Thomas Van, gent., Walter Powell,  
gent., John Thomas William, John ap John, William John and Meerick  
David before Sir Henry Savadge [?Savile], knight, Provost of Eton, and  
Edward Morgan, esq., his farmer, and other officers in the church house  
at Christchurch, Mon., 15 August no year [1604 x 1622]\*: they present  
tenants and rents, rents of the mill, William Evans, vicar of Christ-  
church, and state custom of the manor on decease of a tenant.

\* Savile, Provost March 1596 - Feb. 1622, was knighted in 1604; Evans  
was vicar of Christchurch 1591-?1625.

49/1-3 Manor of Goldcliff

/1. A list of the names of the persons that were summoned to appear  
here at this court, n.d. and manor unspecified.

The first 8 names have been divided from the following 10 by a line,  
and the final 2 names are in a different hand. Some names are  
annotated Jur' and the second list is headed Resiants next to the  
first name

Subscribed in a different hand: Jiurors names Remember

/2. Torn piece of paper with names in a list, some marked in a  
different hand Essoyn, n.d.

Endorsed in several different hands: Commandements  
William Morgan  
Exa[m]i[n]at[ur] (?)  
Court Rolls etc

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/3. Torn piece of paper containing a list of names in the same  
hand as ECR 64/49/2, some of Goldcliff, some of Christchurch, some  
marked comp' or Jur', n.d.

Dorse: list in a different hand.

50/1,2. Manor of Goldcliff

/1. Admissions at court held 30 Henry VI [1 Sept. 1451 - 31 Aug.  
1452]; 'It apperith by 8 Court Rools beryng dat' the xxxj xxxij<sup>do</sup> et  
xxxij<sup>o</sup> Regis H. vj<sup>cl</sup> that theis herafter following & all other  
Tenauntes within the lordship of Goldclyf held their landes for terme  
of lyf' (followed by a list of names).

Endorsed: Old admissions 36 Hen 6<sup>o</sup> For lives

Admissions

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50/2. Copies of entries from court records of courts held 9 May [?] Henry VIII [1515] and 1 October 8 Henry VIII [1516] concerning surrenders of land in Nash late of Morgan Johns, knight, formerly John Machyn's; and land formerly of Thomas Machyn son of Richard Machyn whose father was John Machyn. n.d.

Endorsed: Rotul' de cap' H.8 Perused

Paper, torn at foot and with holes along folds.

51. Manor of Goldcliff

Book of admissions at courts held Michaelmas 19 Henry VIII and Hockday 20 Henry VIII [September 1527, April 1528] (pp 3-8); pp1, 2, 9-35, 37-40 blank; names of those who did not receive copies at the court held Michaelmas 19 Henry VIII (p.36).

Book of 40 pages, paper, bound in parchment cover made from lease of 19 Henry VIII.

Cover labelled: Goldclyff  
H.8.19<sup>mo</sup>  
23  
HB or JW (?)

52/1-4. Manor of Goldcliff

File of 4 paper documents, the top one of which has become detached from the parchment tie in top left hand corner.

/1. Extracts of all fines from alienations and customary payments made for lands and tenements within the manor during the whole time of the stewardship of John Price, chief steward to Henry Milborne, esq., lord of the manor, 1684-1692;

/2. Similar list, no heading, 5 October 1675 - 23 August 1676;

/3. extracts of fines and customary payments made in the time of Isaac Tomkins, gent., chief steward of Henry Milbourne, esq., lord of manor, 2 October 1678 - 3 Oct. 1683;

/4. Account of fines and heriots occasioned by the deaths of tenants from 29 March 1675, the first court kept for Henry Milborne, esq., as lord of the manor to 27 April 1681.

53. Manor not specified

Copy of presentments of jurors of deaths and surrenders at courts held between 28 April [16]75 and 13 May [16]93 (entries crossed through).

Endorsed: The deceases 6 (? or 9)

Paper, 2 folios, folded lengthways, stitched at top left hand corner.

54. Manor of Goldcliff

Extracts from court rolls of 31, 32, 33 Henry VI and - Edward IV [September 1452 - August 1455 and ?]: records of fines paid on entry.

54. (cont.)

Endorsed: Goldclyff

In another hand: Henr' vj<sup>o</sup> xxxj<sup>o</sup>. xxxij<sup>o</sup>. xxxiij<sup>o</sup>  
to be used att ye heareing  
Rol' 5<sup>o</sup>

In a third hand: useless

Paper, 3 folios, in same hand and apparently belonging together, order uncertain.

55. Manor of Goldcliff

Extracts from court rolls of 31, 32, 33 Henry VI and - Edward IV and - Henry VIII: records of fines paid on entry (list is the same as ECR 64/54, but continues with additional names)

Marginal marks and notes.

Endorsed in several hands: Goldclyff Fines Hen' 6<sup>ti</sup>. Hen':8.  
No. L  
Computus finium De 31: 32: 33: H:6:  
8

Endorsed at other end: Goldcliffe Fines An: 31. 32. 33. 34 Hen: 6<sup>ti</sup>

Paper roll, 3 folios, sewn head to tail.

56. Manor of Goldcliff

List of fines not yet made. n.d. [?16th century]

Extracts from records of courts held 2 October 13 Henry VIII [1521] and 1 October 14 Henry VIII [1522] concerning fines owed by Walter Gryffyth for defaulting on suit of court; other extracts undated.

Endorsed: A byll' for fynes nott yt made at Goldclyf

Paper folio, folded to form two pages, two sets of entries in different hands, written in different directions.

57. Manor of Goldcliff

Account of fines, 1527-1528: book of 34 pages, paper, bound in parchment cover made from old lease.

fol. 1r: payments for ?stones for a gout, a fine (page torn in half lengthways);

fol. 2r: Fines received by John Golstun at court held Michaelmas 19 Henry VIII [1527]; fines received by John Golstun and William Smyth at court held at Hocktide 20 Henry VIII [1528]; fines received by William Wall at court held at Michaelmas 20 Henry VIII [1528];

fol. 7v: fines received by William Wilkyn at a court held Michaelmas 19 Henry VIII [1527]; and at Hocktide 20 Henry VIII [1528];

fol. 8r: fines received by William Wilkyn at court held at Michaelmas 20 Henry VIII [1528] (some entries marked paid sol' or sol' in compoto suo);

57. (cont.)

fol. 12r: 20 Henry VIII: Piddlehinton [Dorset], fines received by M[aster,] Wall at court held at Michaelmas; Charlton fines [Charlton Marshall, Dorset];

fol. 15r: Goldcliff: fines received by Thomas Martyn at court held Michaelmas 19 Henry VIII (marked sol' in compoto suo).

Endorsed: Goldclyff 22 Fines  
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58. Manor of Goldcliff

List of fines outstanding, taken at view of frankpledge held 5 October 29 Henry VIII [1537].

Endorsed: Compotus divers' et alium de Goldclyff  
John

59. Manor of Goldcliff

Account of the fines due to Henry Milborne, esq., lord of the manor, 17 October 1692: 4th folio headed: 'This to be aded' with dates ranging from 1684 to 1691.

Paper, 4 folios, folded lengthways and pinned together.

60. Manor of Goldcliff

Memorandum that at a court held 9 October 26 Henry VI [1447] the lord granted to Griffin ap Ieuan ap M[eu]ric a parcel of pasture called Morehassok lying in the lordship of Goldcliff, containing 10 acres 3 fardels, to him and heirs of his body according to the custom of the manor, rendering 10s yearly; also the reversion of 25 acres of land and pasture in Goldcliff called Blakemore which Matilda Cook holds for life according to the custom of the manor, rendering 20s yearly. Griffin and his heirs are bound to maintain ditches, walls, fences, watercourses etc. at his and their own costs. Right of re-entry reserved to the lord if Griffin defaults. n.d.

Endorsed in bold hand: Goldeclyffe

In a different hand: A state that may be forfeited  
More Hassocks 9 Acr  
Blakmore 25

Paper, indented on right-hand side.

61. Manor of Coldrey

Court held 23 July 26 Henry VI [1448]: admission by copy of court roll of Gruff[ith] ap Ieuan ap M[eu]ric to the cornmill (molendinum bladeferum) called bydmyll of Mylton [Milton, Mon.] to hold from Michaelmas next for 30 years, with suit of both free and unfree tenants of the prior; with the watercourse and pool belonging; rendering to the prior and his successors 23s 4d yearly at Michaelmas. The lord has forgiven Gruff[ith] the first 2 years' rent in return for building and repairing the mill which he is to make as new in respect of beds (lect' = bed or socket of millstone), wheels (rotis), spindles (fusis) millrinds (ynkis), ?pails (eniis), millstones (petris molar') and other necessities at his own costs and expenses. The prior will provide sufficient timber from Coldrey Wood for the building and

61. (cont.)

repair of the mill which Gruff[ith] is to fell, cut down and transport at his own cost, and he is to maintain and repair the water-course and pool. At the expiry of the lease, the mill is to be handed back in good repair without any defect. The prior and his successors will grind all their grain in the mill whenever they please cheaply, 'stem-free'\* and without paying any toll.

Endorsed: 11  
HB or JW  
26: H.6  
Milton mill lett for 30 yr Rent 1-3-4 2 years Rent forgiven for new building ye mill ye Prior found timber in Coldry wood Griff a Ieu' ap M<sup>C</sup> to cutt & bring ye timber Prior to grind his corne without tolle

Parchment

\* stemfer/stemphri - enjoying priority at the mill see Revised Medieval Latin Word-List ed. R.E. Latham

62. Manor of Goldcliff

Paper copy of admission by copy of court roll at the court of Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton, held the Wednesday after the feast etc. before etc. of William Cult to a messuage and 20 acres land at Saltmarshe, late in the tenure of Robert Cult, his father, to him and heirs according to the custom of the manor, rendering yearly 30s sterling, and 12d for works and customs formerly sold; he also owes heriot, suit of court, [?upkeep of] sea walls, monkedich and water courses and all other customs and services belonging to the premises. He paid the fine (unspecified), did fealty and was admitted. n.d.

Endorsed: Goldclyff

In later hand: Court Rolls & papers belonging to the Court.

63. Memorandum of land held by John Wylkyn of Saltmersse [Saltmarsh in Goldcliff] and Thomas Carell, with details of rents, fines etc. (details similar to ECR 42/131; admission of Wylkyn, 1525); possibly the beginning of a third entry for D[afyd]d at Plow... n.d. [?16th century].

64. Manor of Goldcliff

Copy of admission of John Walter and Lucy Coke, his wife, to lands (unspecified), to hold to them and the heirs of Lucy according to the custom of the manor, n.d.

Subscribed in a different hand: Yow must shew for the presentment taken desimo secto of hary the 8: the xvj<sup>o</sup> yeare

Endorsed: Lord



RENTALS, VALUATIONS, SURVEYS AND TERRIERS

65. Goldcliff

Rental, n.d., [?late 15th - early 16th century]  
Gives name of tenant, amount of holding, annual rent, occasional  
note of works due in margin.

Endorsed: Rentale de Goldclyff

Paper roll, now in 2 sections and very fragile and fragmentary:  
2 folios sewn head to tail plus 4 folios sewn similarly, presumably  
once forming a single continuous roll

66. Manor of Goldcliff

Rent roll, showing chief rents and payments for duties and fishings,  
n.d. [after 1744]

Note by [Westcot Littleton] endorsed: This is a Copy of the Rent  
Roll by which the Reeve of Goldcliff Manor Gathers the Chief Rents  
for the Year 1744; which Rent Roll, He said, He Rec'd from Mr Wm  
Williams. Mr Charles Keene the Reeve readily shewd it me, but told  
me at the Same time that it was not perfect; & that Mr Phillips of  
Widsto & John Bowen had perfect Accounts of these Matters but that  
he was sure I should not see them, however I was Resolved to Try  
whether I should or no, & accordingly did but to no purpose. Mr  
Keene farther told me, that in his Rent Roll Some persons were  
Overcharg'd & Some undercharged. There is no Allowance to be made  
for Chief Rents under 20/-, these undermentioned are the Several  
Rents where yt Sum is exceeded, you See at the bottom what the  
allowance out of them comes to at 4/- in the Pound according to the  
Letter of the Act, & at one Shillg & 8d according to the Equity of  
it but I do not believe they pay above 15d in the pound in the Moors.

Endorsed: Quit Rents de Goldcliff. No. 1<sup>tt</sup> Mr Littleton  
In a different hand: Mr Chas Philips acco<sup>t</sup>. 1746 - 100. 2. 6

67. Manor of Goldcliff

Rent roll, n.d. [after 1744]: similar to ECR 64/66, also in Littleton's  
hand, but running totals for pages not carried forward and figures  
differ slightly. Table of allowances at 4 shilling in the pound  
but not at 1s 8d. No endorsed memorandum as in ECR 64/66.

Endorsed: Account of Chief Rents

68. Manor of Goldcliff

Fortuiti Proventus 1750: Goldcliff Account.  
Note of money received 15 December 1750 from William Williams  
[steward of College manors] on account of fines and quit rents of  
Goldcliff.

Endorsed: Goldcliffe Acco<sup>t</sup>. 1750

69. Manor of Goldcliff

Rent roll 1753, showing chief rents, cravings (allowances) and total.

70/1,2. Manor of Goldcliff

Account of receipts of quit rents for Goldcliff for the 9 years when it was in the College's hands, 1746 to 1754 inclusive, sent by Mr William Williams, steward, June 1756.

Two paper folios, numbered 1 and 2, folded and presumably once stitched down the centre: the name of the reeve and his deputy are given for each year, with details of amounts paid and allowances craved.

70/1 endorsed: acct of ye Receipts of ye Quitrents of Goldcliff for ye 9 years it was in ye College Hands Sent by Mr W. Williams ye Steward June 1756

70/2 endorsed: Goldcliff Manor: names of Reeves & payments

71. Manor of Goldcliff

Account of receipts of quitrents paid by the reeves and their deputies to William Williams on behalf of Eton College for the years 1746 to 1755 inclusive.

Subscribed: By Mr Westcote Littleton's Account in a paper left herewith makes the amount of the quitrents yearly to be -- 102. 3. 11½  
Whereas the Reeve of 1752 & 1753 make the amount 100 "2 " 6  
each Year  
Q the Difference

Endorsed: Goldcliff Q Rents as accounted for by ye Reeves to 1754

Similar to ECR64/70 but lacks allowances craved; perhaps a draft?

72. Manor of Coldrey

Account of chief rents, with copy of receipt by Henry Morgan of £8 9s received from Charles Van, esq., for 2 years' chief rent for his lands in Coldrey and for Bullmore lands, 6 November 1745. n.d.

73. Manor of Coldrey

Rental of chief rents payable to the manor of Coldrey, as collected by Henry Morgan, esquire, farmer or lessee of the manor under the Provost and College of Eton, made 16 August 1745.  
Signed and annotated by Henry Morgan.

Endorsed: Coldrey Mannor part of Goldcliff Priory  
Rental made the 16th day of Augt 1745.

Further endorsement in a different hand: and compared & corrected by Mr Williams account of Quitrents sent in June 28 1755

74. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1746, main entry dated 31 March 1748, additional entry 5 May 1748.

Endorsed: Coldrey Manor Rentroll 1746

In a different hand: Mr Williams Acct

75. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1746, similar to the first part of ECR 64/74 although the order of entries varies slightly.

76. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1747, main entry dated 31 March 1748, additional entry 5 May 1748 (identical hand and layout to ECR 64/74).

Endorsed: a - 19  
Coldrey Manor Rentroll 1747

77. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1747, similar to first entry of ECR 64/76, identical hand and layout to ECR 64/75.

78. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1748, collection of part. (in Wm Williams' hand)

Endorsed: Coldrey Manor Rentroll for 1748 Collection of part  
calculation of cash received + arrears = chief rent - additional entry

79. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1749, collection of part.

Endorsed: Coldrey Manor Rentroll for 1749 Collection of part

80. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1753: includes rent for earlier years from 1746, presumably arrears still outstanding.

Endorsed: Coldrey chief rents etc. No. 2

81. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1754, headed 'chief rent and arrears due att Michmas 1754, 29th of July 1755' (in William Williams' hand).

Endorsed: F- Accot of Manor of Coldrey 1754 15.16 by Mr Wm Williams

82. Manor of Coldrey

Rent roll for 1755.

Annotation and note by William Williams: 'The chief rents in the manor of Coldrey have been by me and my order (?) collected and rec[eive]d from Mich'mas 1745 to Mich'mas 1754 and by me pd to the Honble Society of the College Royal of Eton [f]or their use except 3s 6d being 7 years chief rent due for the house att Christchurch but yt 3s 6d was laid down and paid for the ten[emen]t by me as witness my hand the 2d day of June 1756. W. Williams'

Endorsed: Coldrey manor Rentroll 1756

83. Manor of Coldrey

Account of William Williams of arrears of chief rent received from Mr John Richards for the late Mr Byrd for 5 years, 1746 - 1750, due at Michaelmas 1750.

Endorsed by Williams: Coldrey manor June 1755  
the acct of an arrear of chief rent recd of Mr John Richards for late Mr Byrd; for 5 years due att Michmas 1750 No (1-) (deleted?)

In a different hand: Mr William Williams account of Quit rents recd & brought to account in June 28. 1755 No 2 (?deleted)

84. Manor of Coldrey

Quitrents of Charles Van, esquire, 1746-1753. Columns show the charge made for the lords of the manor, sums at first allowed by Mr Van to be due, cash offered by Mr Van's account, cash now agreed to be paid by Mr Van, allowance for taxes craved.

Subscribed in a different hand: By Mr Morgans account of Qt Rents Mr Van's old chief Rent - £3. 5. 0 & Mr Morgans Rental is as high as that delivered in in 1700.

Endorsed: Mr Vans Qt Rents in Coldrey Manor 1755.

85. Eton College Monmouthshire estate

Rental of the estate of the Provost and Fellows of Eton College as let by Charles Van, esquire, for the year 1775: gives names of property, names of tenants, rents, payments for fisheries, tithes, chief rents, Goldcliff, Coldrey, orchard in Chepstow, fisheries in the Usk.

Endorsed: Rental of Eton College Monmouthshire Estate 1775. No.1

86. Manor of Goldcliff

Rent roll for 1808 ending 5 April 1809, submitted by William Phillips, esquire, reeve. (pencil and ink marks and annotations)

Endorsed: Gold Cliff Manor Rental Chief Rents

In a different hand: to Ap. 5th 1809 further calculations of money deducted from receipts for reeve's salary and Hill Evans's land and final sum received.



87. Manor of Goldcliff

Copy of rent roll for 1819, with a note of places which are not in Goldcliff and probably inserted in the rent roll by mistake.

Endorsed: Gold Cliff Ch. Rents  
Rental - 1819

88. Rough notes made on the inside of the cover of a letter to the Revd George D[upuis?], Eton College, date stamped 28 Dec. 18--: comparison of chief rents as shown in rent rolls for 1819 and 1809 (the numbers and sums correspond with those in ECR 64/86 for 1809); note of deductions in 1809 for Hill Evans's land and reeve's salary; note as follows:

- 1 )
- 40 ) in 1809. at the same sums, with a remark in Mr Roberts'
- 41 ) hand writing of having received the whole sum deducting 4:2:7

89. Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch

Rental for the year ending 2 February 1850; bills etc paid by T. Batcheldor at Goldcliff, Nash & Christchurch to Michaelmas 1850.

Annotated in another hand with remarks and calculations, presumably about discrepancies in the figures.

Endorsed: Goldcliffe etc 1850 Amended Account

90. List of the holdings of Sir William Morgan, knight, in Goldcliff and Coldrey, with annual rents and total due, n.d. [?late 15th - early 16th century, possibly drawn up in connection with law suit over Milton Mill, 1520-30s].

Endorsed in angular early 18th century hand: Sr W. Morga<sup>d</sup> lands held of ye Coll:

In bold hand: 17

In faint ink: a

91. List of lands held by M[aster?] William Morgan, John Morgan and Edmund Morgan, headed 'for M' Will'm Morgan', with annual rents. The property includes a mill in the manor of Coldrey [?Milton Mill], Durantsfield, etc.

Endorsed: Memorandum of witnesses at the seising and taking possession of the mill and other lands within written; and of tenants of lands at Rudewik [Redwick].

92. Memorandum of lands granted to Watkyn Griffith by the Provost in Goldcliff and Coldrey, n.d. [?16th century].

A different and later hand has added: maur or great Hassock

Endorsed: Graunts to Watkyn Griffith in Goldcliff Coldry

See ECR 64/658-663; ECR 42/250,132.

93. Survey of lands in the manor of Goldcliff and Nash, under headings of Morebern farm, Goldcliff mansion house, one water myle for all kinde, rectory of Goldcliff, advowson of the churches of Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch, [1599].

Endorsed: The survey of the mannors of Coldrey Goldclift & Nash in Com Monmouth et Stokegursy in Com Somerset capt' per Edmd Duffild pro Coll. de Eaton\*

Endorsement added by Edward Betham, late 18th century: Goldcliff 1599 Survey by Edm<sup>d</sup> Duffield

\* Edmund Duffield, auditor of Eton Collge 1592-1612

94. Survey and valuation by [William] Brookland of the priory of Goldcliff, giving details of the manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey, Hill Farm in Goldcliff, Morbourn Farm in Nash, tithes of Goldcliff, Nash, Christchurch and half tithes of Whitson, orchard in Chepstow, fishings in the rivers Severn and Usk, land in Kemeys Inferior, Priors Upper and Lower Woods, total of chief rents and other rents and payments due, and summary of expenses. n.d. [mid 18th century].

Endorsed: Mr Brooklands Account of the Manor of Goldcliff

95. Valuation of the priory of Goldcliff, subscribed: 'I sent a Copy of this to Charles Vann Esq in Queen Street Westminster'.

Endorsed: Value of Goldcliff sent to Mr Van June 1754.

96. Valuation of the Goldcliff estate, n.d. [? mid 18th century].

Endorsed: Estimate of Goldcliff

Endorsed in a different hand: Terrer of Goldcliff but not exact List of annual totals from 1741 to 1753 with averages based on 12 and 13 years worked out

(The 12 year figure is the same as that in ECR 64/95, but the other figures differ)

Fragile: paper torn in two pieces along fold

97. Memorandum of enquiries to be made concerning Eton's Monmouthshire estate, n.d. [?1740 x 1756]\*.

The enquiries cover the use and condition of the land, manor house, sea banks, acreage and value, woods, mills, tithes, cottages, profits of courts, stables, fisheries, outgoings from the tenant. Answers have been added in a different hand, sometimes giving figures from earlier years for comparison.

\* The document mentions Mr Pettingal as vicar of Christchurch and Mr Allen Lord whose father was tenant and let his lease run out in 1724; also Mr Sleech. Francis Pettingal was vicar 1713-1726, Jo. Pettingal vicar 1739-1756. Mr Sleech could be one of several associated with Eton therefore does not help in narrowing the date.

98. Reports by John Trumper to the Provost and College of Eton on viewing the sea wall at Goldcliff Hill Farm, 22 June 1799, and on woodland in the parish of Christchurch, 24 July 1799.

Endorsed: Goldcliffe by Trumper June 1799 (with rough calculations)

ACCOUNTS AND VOUCHERS: GENERAL

99. Manors of Coldrey (Coldra), Christchurch

Compotus roll, 3 parchment membranes sewn at the head, Michaelmas 1449 - Michaelmas 1452

Account of Gruffuth ap Ieuan ap Meurik, bailiff of Coldrey, Mich. 28 Henry VI - Mich. 29 Henry VI [1449-1450];  
Ditto from Mich. 29 Henry VI - Mich. 30 Henry VI [1450-1451];  
Ditto from Mich. 30 Henry VI - Mich. 31 Henry VI [1451-1452].

Account of the same, farmer of Christchurch, Mich. 29 Henry VI - Mich. 30 Henry VI.

Endorsed: Coldre Manor old 18 HB (or JB/JW)

100. Goldcliff

First account of William Wilkyn, bailiff, from Michaelmas 23 Henry VII to Michaelmas 24 Henry VII [1507-8].

Paper, 1 folio

101. Goldcliff

Account of Master John Vacchan, receiver, from Michaelmas 23 Henry VII to Michaelmas 24 Henry VIII [1507-8].

Paper, 1 folio

102. Goldcliff

Account of Master Vachan, receiver, from Michaelmas 23 Henry VII to Michaelmas 24 Henry VII [1507-8].

Endorsed: Goldcleif de (?) a[nn]o xxiiij<sup>o</sup> Henrici VII  
M' Joh[ann]is Vachan  
Will[elm]i Wylkyn

Paper, 2 folios sewn at the head

ECR 42/181: Account of Richard Hoskyns, bailiff of husbandry, Mich. 1506 - Christmas 1508

ECR 42/182: Account of Richard Hoskyns, bailiff of husbandry, 13 Oct. 1511 - 6 Dec. 1512

ECR 42/183: Account of Richard Hoskyns, bailiff of husbandry, 6 Dec. 1512 - 8 Dec. 1513



103/1, 2 Goldcliff

/1. Account of Richard Hoskyns, bailiff of husbandry, from Conception of the BVM 5 Henry VIII to St Luke the Evangelist 6 Henry VIII [8 Dec. 1513 - 18 Oct. 1514].

Endorsed: Comp' Ric' Hoskyns

Annotated inside cover: Goldcliffe Compot' Ballivor' (16.)  
(This annotation was probably originally an endorsement on the cover; the book has subsequently been opened wrongly)

2 paper folios sewn to form 8-page book; damaged, with one bottom corner missing on all pages. Needs repair.

/2. Paper folio used as a cover or label, annotated in a later hand: (6) Bailiffs Acct. Goldcliff

104. Goldcliff

Quietus issued to Richard Hoskyns, bailiff of husbandry, on his account from the Conception of the BVM 5 Henry VIII to St Luke the Evangelist 6 Henry VIII [8 Dec. 1513 - 18 Oct. 1514].

Endorsed: 12 HB Uselesse

Parchment

105. Goldcliff

View of account of William Wilkyn, bailiff of husbandry, from Michaelmas 9 Henry VIII to Michaelmas 10 Henry VIII [Mich. 1517 - Mich. 1518], 23 Sept. 10 Henry VIII [1518].

Heading reads: The view of ...n Bayly of hosbondry at Golclyff & for certen ... hewse of the Colledge & some fallyn to the Colledge of ... takyn at Eton the xxiiij<sup>th</sup> day of September the x<sup>th</sup> yere ... of Kyng Henry the viij<sup>th</sup> befor Master Provoust Masters Balkey & Smale, B[ursars]

Endorsed: William Wilkyns

Paper, incomplete, in 2 pieces, too fragile for production

106. Account of oxen bought [?by William Wilkyn, bailiff of husbandry] headed: 'Thys boke mad the x<sup>th</sup> day off July the yere of our [Lord] m<sup>i</sup> v<sup>c</sup> xxv', 10 July 1525.

Paper, 1 folio folded lengthways and once stitched to form a book. ECR 64/107 was almost certainly part of the same book, perhaps all of the remainder.

107. Account headed Shepe, probably once part of ECR 64/106. ?10 July 1525. Same hand and format as 106 but stab holes from stitching are difficult to discern and match.

ECR 42/161: Account of oxen and sheep bought for the Colledge by William Wilkyn, 1529-1531.

ECR 42/186: account of William Wilkyn of the animals, t, Henry VIII

108. Memorandum, indented, that on 15 January 1526 Thomas Marten of Nash, corviser, delivered to William Wylkyns of Goldcliff £66 1. 7 as appears by a bill between them.

Two additional payments made, second dated 21 March [?1526].

109. Statement of money laid out by Sir Peter Danyell and not yet accounted for, n.d. [?1530s]\*.

Expenses for driving up cattle, riding between Eton and Wales, washing and shearing of sheep, making stakes and setting them in the sea wall of curbyend.

\*Peter Daniell was vicar of Goldcliff from 1536, Nash from 1538.

110. Goldcliff

Fragment headed 'Recepta de Goldcliff', giving payments by tenants and officials; on reverse receipts for animals: ?part of an account of a bailiff of husbandry or receiver (not Richard Hoskyns who is mentioned), n.d. [? early 16th century].

Written in a different hand and direction: Memorandum of money disbursed for repair of the house next to Baldwins Bridge, [Eton], belonging to Jurdeleys place, n.d. [?15th century].

Paper

111. Goldcliff

Statement of facts relating to leases of Goldcliff Priory and Hill Evans's estate, showing that the College received no accounts or money from the latter from Michaelmas 1745 to 23 Feb. 1754 when Littleton leased it to Thomas Bevan (see ECR 64/27); H. Morgan was accountable for the estate to 29 Feb. 1752, the College is accountable for 1752, 1753 and 1754, Mr Van accounts from Candlemas 1755 to Candlemas 1762.

Statement of expenses of the College on Hill Evans's estate.

Endorsed: State of Expence of Hill Evans Estate at Goldcliff while in ye College hands 1752. 1753. 1754

112. Expenses on Eton College estate in Monouthshire, 1776.

Annotated in a different hand.

Endorsed: Expences on Eton College Estate 1776. No. 4

ACCOUNTS OF COLLEGE AGENTS: WESTCOT LITTLETON

113. Account headed: Account of money received and paid and to be paid by Westcot Littleton, clerk, as agent to the Honourable Society of Eton College & likewise of services done by the said Littleton for the use of the said College in the year 1745.

Expenses arranged under the following headings: journeys, other expenses, postage, August 1745 - end January 1746: no receipts survive.

Subscribed: Letter concerning the orchard at Chepstow [?to the Bursar], Saturday 1 February 1746.

Endorsed: Littleton's Disbursements

114. Account of expenses incurred by Littleton, 27 February 1746 - 15 July 1746.

Endorsed: Disbursements of Littleton Feb. 27 1745 to Dec. 12 1746

115. Continuation of ECR 64/114: Littleton's expenses for 1746, 21 July - 21 December 1746.

Endorsed: Littleton's Account 1746

116. Account of cash received by Littleton for the use of the Provost and Fellows of Eton College from their estate in Monmouthshire since the 20th of December 1746, January 1747- 29 September 1747.

Endorsed: Mr Littleton's Account Oct. 2. 1747  
Rects of Tithe from Jan. 1746 to Mich. 1747

117. Account of expenses and disbursements made by Littleton between 20 December 1746 and Michaelmas 1747.

Endorsed: Littleton's Disbursements to Mic. 1747 from 20 Dec. 1746 to M. 1747

118. Account of cash received by Littleton, 29 September 1747 - [8 November 1748]; disbursements and balance added in another hand.

Endorsed: Littleton's receipts 1747 & 1748  
from 29 Sept. 1747 to do. 1748  
Total 85.9.7

119. Account of Littleton's expenses and disbursements, 20 Sept. 1747 - [Michaelmas 1748].

Endorsed: Littleton's Disbursements 1747 & 1748  
from Mich 1747 to Mich 1748

120. Account of cash received by Littleton in the years 1748 and 1749, commencing 13 December 1748.

Acknowledgement of balance due to the College signed by Littleton, witnessed by William Brookland, 20 October 1749.

Endorsed: Littleton's receipts from Mich 1748 to do. 1749  
£98.4.3

121. Account of Littleton's expenses and disbursements in 1748 and 1749, Nov. 1748 - 16 Oct. 1749

Deduction and acknowledgement of satisfaction added in another hand, signed by Littleton, witnessed by Brookland, 20 October 1749.

Endorsed: Littleton's Disbursements from Nov. 1748 to Oct. 1749  
70.0.4  
12

122/1,2. Account of cash received by Littleton, 23 Oct. 1749 - 6 Dec. 1750.

Subscribed: Letter from Littleton, Shirenewton, to [?the Bursar], Eton College (addressed as Reverend Sir), explaining that he cannot send his disbursements until Wednesday, but the College should already have received his account of the disposal of the tithes, 16 Dec. 1750.

Endorsed: Mr. Littleton's receipts at Goldcliff from Oct. 23. 1749 to Dec. 6. 1750

123/1,2. Account, headed A 1, of Littleton's expenses and disbursements, 23 Oct. 1749 - 16 Dec. 1750.

Subscribed: Letter from Littleton, Shirenewton, to [?the Bursar], giving details of sums to be added to his receipts; payments expected from tithes, state of the sea walls, 18 Dec. 1750.

123/1 endorsed: Mr. West<sup>t</sup> Littleton Disbursm<sup>ts</sup> for 23 Octo. 1749 to 18 June 1750

67. " 6. " 7 Paym<sup>ts</sup> continued into the other sheet

123/2 endorsed: A 1. Mr Littleton's Acct of Disbursemts 1750  
No. 1

107. " -. " 8 (23 Oct. 1749  
(18 Dec. 1750

Two paper folios sealed together at the bottom

124. Account of Littleton's receipts, 18 Dec. 1750 - 9 Dec. 1751.

Endorsed: Receipts at Goldcliff from Dec. 1750 to Dec. 1751 by Mr Littleton



125. Account of Littleton's expenses and disbursements, 18 Dec. 1750 - 9 Dec. 1751 (April 1751 appears to be the latest date, therefore a continuation sheet is presumably missing).

Endorsed: A 2. Mr. West. Littleton 259., 2., 8½ Disbursm<sup>ts</sup>  
from 27 Dec. 1750  
9 Dec. 1751

(The account only totals £64. 9. 2 which also suggests the loss of a continuation sheet)

Endorsed in another hand: Mr Lyttleton's Disbursem<sup>ts</sup> No. 2

Endorsed in a third hand: Expences at Goldcliff from Dec. 1750 to Dec. 1751 by Mr Littleton

126. Account of Littleton's receipts, 10 Dec. 1751 - 9 June 1752.

Note of total of receipts, expenses and balance added in another hand for Dec. 1750 - 9 June 1752.

Endorsed: Receipts at Goldcliff by Mr Littleton From Dec. 1751 to June 9. 1752

Endorsed in another hand: Mr Littletons Acc<sup>ts</sup>

127. Account of Littleton's expenses and disbursements, A 3, 9 Dec. 1751 - 9 June 1752.

Note of total of this account and 1751 expenses added in another hand.

Endorsed: A 3. Mr West. Littleton 101., 6. 5½ Disbursm<sup>ts</sup>  
from 24 Dec. 1751 ) 101. 6. 5½  
& to A3<sup>9 June 1752</sup> 9 Dec. 1752 ) 39.16. 6½  
141. 3. -

In another hand: Expences at Goldcliff from Dec. 1751 to June 9th 1752 by Mr Littleton No. 3

128. Account of Littleton's disbursements, 10 June 1752 - Dec. 1752.

Annotated: A 3

129. View of Littleton's 2 accounts of receipts and expenses from Dec. 1750 to 9 June 1752.

Endorsed: B 1

130. Account of Littleton's receipts, 10 June 1752 - Dec. 1752.

Subscribed; Covering letter to the Revd. William Cooke, Eton College: Littleton has sent an account of tithes separately. Tamplin has produced his accounts which he will copy and send, but he would not show Littleton his accounts for the present year; he will make a large charge for Hill Evans's wall. Shirenewton, 10 Dec. 1752.

130. (cont.)

Note added after the balance, not in Littleton's hand: Whereas Mr Littleton's last account current stated with the Provost, on, or rather, to the 9th June 1752 is recited over again, in the Abstract of his Account made up on the 10th August 1755 - The above sum, being the Ballance of the said last Account Current is not taken Notice of in the Abstract - vide Mr Provost's view of Mr Littleton's Account.

Endorsed: B 2. Littleton's Rec<sup>ts</sup> 1752 from (10th June 1752 )  
( Dec. 1752 )

131. Account of Littleton's receipts, 11 Dec. 1752 - Dec. 1753.

Endorsed: B.3. Mr Littleton, sundry Rece<sup>ts</sup> from (11 Dec. 1752  
(12 Nov. 1753

132. Account of Littleton's expenses and disbursements, 11 Dec. 1752 - Dec. 1753.

Endorsed: A4. Disburstm<sup>ts</sup> of 1753. Littletons Account  
82.15.10 from (11th Dec. 1752  
(14 Nov. 1753

133. Account of Littleton's receipts, Dec. 1753 - Oct. 1754; account of expenses in letting out the tithes. These accounts, not in Littleton's hand, were presumably drawn up by his son, Thomas Littleton, after his father's death in November 1754.

Endorsed: B.4. Littletons Acct rects & Disburmts 1754 No.6

134. Account of disbursements, Dec. 1753 - Nov. 1754, headed in a different hand, Mark A5. Probably in Thomas Littleton's hand, as ECR 64/133.

135. Abstract of Littleton's accounts, summarising receipts and disbursements 23 Oct. 1749 - 4 Dec. 1752.

Endorsed: Abstracts of Littleton 1749 1752

136. Abstracts of Littleton's accounts, 1752-1753 (with some details for 1749-51).

Endorsed: Littleton's account 1752.

137. Abstracts of Littleton's accounts 1749-1754, drawn up from materials collected and stated by Evan Evans, 11 Aug. 1755. Refers to accounts numbered A.1 to A.5, B.1 to B.4

A.1 = ECR 64/123                      B.1 = ECR 64/129  
A.2 = ECR 64/125                      B.2 = ECR 64/130  
A.3 = ECR 64/127, 128                B.3 = ECR 64/131  
A.4 = ECR 64/132                      B.4 = ECR 64/133  
A.5 = ECR 64/134

Endorsed: Abstract of Mr. West. Littleton's Acco<sup>tt</sup> Deliv'd to  
Mr Ashton 22 Sept.1755

138. View of disbursements for 5 years, 23 Oct. 1749 - 29 Nov.  
1754, under headings: Sea walls, riding charges, salaries and mixed  
payments, taxes and assessments, ditches and fences, buildings and  
repairs, totals, with references to accounts A.1 to A.5.

Endorsed: a View of Disburm<sup>tt</sup> for 5 years from Oct.23.1749 to  
Nov. 29th 1754

139/1-4. Littleton's disbursements classified into headings  
in ECR 64/138, with references to accounts A.1 to A.5.

139/4 endorsed: Revd Mr West. Littleton's Disbursm<sup>tt</sup> Sorted &  
Class'd, into distinct Heads, with references to the several  
Bills etc.

140. Account of tithes of the parishes of Christchurch, Nash,  
Goldcliff and Whitson belonging to Eton College, let out by  
Westcot Littleton in 1746 to be paid at Christmas next.

Endorsed: Tithes of Goldcliffe etc. 1746  
Fragile, tearing along folds.

141. Account of tithes of parishes of Christchurch, Nash,  
Goldcliff and Whitson let out by Littleton in 1747.

Endorsed: Goldcliff etc. Tithes 1747

142. Account of tithes of parishes of Christchurch, Nash,  
Goldcliff and Whitson let out by Littleton in 1749.

Endorsed: Agreement for Tithes 1749

143. Account of tithes of parishes of Christchurch, Nash,  
Goldcliff and Whitson let out and collected by Littleton in 1753.

Endorsed: Littleton Tithes 1753

144/1. Abstract of tithe accounts 1746-1749, showing receipts  
from tithes, Littleton's expenses, with rough sums on dorset.

Endorsed: Yearly Acc<sup>t</sup> of Tithes at Goldcliff to 1747 incl.

144/2. Notes for audit, summarising Tamplin's rents, Littleton's receipts, 1748-1749, with notes of sums to be entered in Ar[reragiorum] Recept[a] and F[ortuiti] Prov[entus]; rough sums above and on dorse.

(These two documents may be in William Williams' hand, with calculations on 144/2 by W. Berriman)

145. Accounts in Littleton's hand of timber felled in the Priors Woods belonging to Eton College for repairs and buildings on the Hill Farm and Murbourn Farm in Goldcliff and Nash in 1746; additional entries for 1747; Account of ditches cast on the Hill Farm and Murbourn Farm in Goldcliff and Nash in 1746, 1747 and 1748 (no entries for 1748).

Endorsed: Account of Timber Fallen

146. Account in Littleton's hand of trees in the Lower Priors Wood marked out and intended to be preserved from felling as standils, taken 26 October 1749; account of trees in the Upper Priors Wood, similarly marked to be preserved, October 1749; account of timber in the Upper Priors Wood taken at the same time marked on the east side; trees felled in the Lane, 1750.

n.d. [?1750]

147. Account in Littleton's hand of cord wood measured 20 May 1751 in the Upper Priors Wood near Catsash.

4 small folios folded and sewn to make a book of 16 pages; covers labelled:

Monmouthshire

Cordwood 1751

Littleton's vouchers: ECR 64/148-151

148. Receipt from Samuel Vaughan, curate of Kemeys Inferior, for tithe paid by Timothy Waters for the Hundred Acres belonging to Eton College, due to the Revd. Mr Wells, rector of Kemeys Inferior, 7 Dec. 1747.

Endorsed: Timothy Water's Receipts

149. Account in Littleton's hand of masonry work done by Thomas Giles for Eton College, 19 October 1748, with receipt by Giles for money received from Littleton and acknowledgement that he has been paid in full from divers sources at different times, 29 Sept. 1749.



150. Account of money paid to workmen for casting Monk ditch pill in Goldcliff by William Phillips, gent., appointed Expenditor, presented on the Provost and Fellows of Eton College by the Jury of His Majesty's Court of Sewers for the Level of Caldicot in the County of Monmouth, 30 July 1753; addressed to the Revd. Mr Littleton at Shirenewton.

Endorsed: An Account of Expence on Monk Ditch Pill 1753 to ye Expenditor Philips See Williams Acct where it is paid. £28.14.3

151. Account of Thomas Bevan to Eton College for a boat load of coal delivered at Goldcliff by order of Mr Littleton, 10 May 1754.

Superscribed: N.B. This Bill is not Discharged

ACCOUNTS OF COLLEGE AGENTS: WILLIAM WILLIAMS

152/1-7. Accounts of William Williams, steward of College manors in Monmouthshire, with the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, 30 April 1746 - [?30]November 1751. The accounts consist of 4 folios numbered 1-4, one unnumbered folio now torn along folds into 3 pieces: 1-4 run from 30 April 1746 - 11 Dec. 1750 when the account was balanced; the additional folio is re-headed and covers July - Dec. 1751 and arrears from previous years, also balanced.

152/6 endorsed: Mr Williams 1746 to 1751

deleted endorsement: Mr Lyttleton's Acct of Tythes

?Previously enclosed with ECR 64/549

153. Account of William Williams with Provost and Fellows of Eton College, showing balance at 11 Dec. 1750, receipt of fine 11 Feb. 1751 and cash paid to Mr Hoare & Co. to the use of the Revd. Mr Ashton, Bursar of Eton College, 18 May 1751. This document is numbered 5, and begins with the balance at the bottom of ECR 64/152/4, therefore was presumably once part of these accounts.

Endorsed: William Williams's accounts May 1751. Goldcliff

154. Account of William Williams with Provost and Fellows of Eton College, 19 November 1751 - 9 December 1752, with note that the balance was paid by draft to the Hon. Capel Hanbury esq., & Company; addressed to The Revd. Mr Ashton, Bursar of Eton College.

Endorsed: Williams 1752

155. Account of William Williams with the lords of the manor of Goldcliff, 10 November - 3 December 1755, with a note that the balance was paid to Capel Hanbury esq.,

Endorsed: Williams 79. 5. 2. Dec. 5 1755 (and notes of fines)  
[? Previously enclosed with ECR 64/555.]

ACCOUNTS OF COLLEGE AGENTS: THOMAS BOLD

156. Letter from Thomas Bold, steward of College manors, to the Revd. William Roberts, [Bursar] of Eton College, Brecon, 31 December 1809: he can only send £140 8s. at present; Waters claims that money is owing to him for work on repairing sea walls, as set out in copy account which forms part of this letter.

Endorsed: Ex[amine]d Dr 22 - 1809 Waters's act. Debtor & Creditor

In red ink: exd. WR

157. Account of Eton College rents paid into the Abergavenny Bank [by Thomas Bold], and remitted to Mr Roberts; statement of monies which Bold expects to receive at Newport on 22 Dec. 1809 and balance he expects to remit then.

Annotated by Roberts in red ink: Bold's 1st account since at Rack rent exd WR

Annotated by Roberts in pencil: WR and notes against several entries

Endorsed: Acct monies paid to Abergry Bank (& those to be reced by T. Bold, on 22d Decr. 1809)

158. Account of monies paid and received by Thomas Bold on account of Eton College since the settlement of his account on 15 November 1809, December 1809 - February 1810; statement of rents due. Some entries marked in red ink, probably by William Roberts, others ticked in pencil.

Endorsed: Feby 1810 Acct by T. Bold of monies reced & paid by him from Nov 1809 to Feby 1810 - & statement re Waters within

ECR 64/377 Bold to Roberts concerning Waters's account, 15 July 1810

159. Letter from Thomas Bold, 11 Arundel Street, Strand, 30 January 1811, to the Revd. William Roberts, Eton College: sending statement of his account on reverse. Comments in pencil added, probably by Roberts.

Thomas Bold's account with Eton College, 21 December 1809 - December 1810, annotated in pencil and red ink by Roberts.

Endorsed: Jan. 30 - 1811 T Bold

In red ink in Roberts's hand: exd WR

In pencil: Waters

160. Account of Thomas Bold with Eton College, February 1814 - December 1814 (including some entries for 1813), signed and dated by Bold, Brecon, 5 December 1814.

Annotated and subscribed by William Roberts: Exd WR

Endorsed by Roberts: Bold 1814 Exd

161. Statement of expenses incurred by Thomas Bold on account of Eton College, May - August 1816.

Endorsed: Provost and Fellows of Eton College - £34-14-8½  
For Thos. Bold Esq.  
Paid 79.2  
    8.17.2  
    87.19.2

Thomas Bold's vouchers: accounts and receipts for work done on behalf of Eton College by order of Bold and other College agents ECR 64/162-299

162. Receipt for landlord's property tax on two Priory woods in Christchurch, due 5 April 1806 and 5 April 1807, and tenants' property tax due 5 April 1806, paid by Bold, 3 February 1808.

163. Receipt from Thomas Williams for payment for work in marking standards and for linseed oil and red lead, 3 February 1808.

164. Account of William Roberts, mason, for oversight and repair of sea walls, 1804, 1808, with note that the balance was paid 3 July 1808 by Bold.

Attached: receipt from Henry Williams, labourer, of £21 from William Roberts (final item in Roberts' bill), 29 June 1808.

165/1-22. Bundle of vouchers with a label addressed to the Revd. W. Roberts, Eton College, 165/1 endorsed: Vouchers for 75 - at Goldcliff to March 1809. exd. WR. Many are for work done at Murbourn Farm, Nash, some are numbered 1-10, all are filed by string through the middle.

166. Receipt for highway tax in parish of Christchurch Upper Division for woods belonging to Eton College, 25 August 1808.

167. Receipt for property tax for the Priory woods in parish of Christchurch Upper, 9 January 1809.

168. Account of William Taylor for Level tax on Moorbarn Farm, 5 April 1809.

169. Receipted account of Henry Rex, mason, 18 July 1809.

170. Receipted account of William Thomas, 5 August 1809.

171. Account of Thomas Rees for new doors made for the pound at Christchurch, 4 July; settled 26 August 1809.



172. Receipt for property tax charged under Schedule A on Eton College's woods in Christchurch, 15 November 1809.
173. Receipt by D. Williams for money from Thomas Bold to enable him to pay highway tax and poor tax to named collectors, 15 November 1809.
174. Receipted account of William Jones for work done at Murbourn Farm by order of William Taylor, 22 December 1809. (Sums on receipt correspond with totals of vouchers numbered 64/174-179)
175. Account of Phillip Green to William Taylor, settled 26 December 1809.
176. Account of William Jones, mason, for work done by order of Taylor, settled 21 December 1809.
177. Receipted account of Edward Griffiths, tiler, for work done at Murbourn by order of Taylor, 16 September 1809.
178. Receipted account of William Walters to William Taylor for lime, Milton, 1809.
179. Account of George Prosser to Taylor, settled 4 October 1809.
180. Account of William Taylor with Eton College for landlord's property tax on Murbourn Farm and tithes, 12 December 1809.
181. Receipted account of Thomas Milner, expeditor, for work on Chapel reen, Nash, allowed by the Court [of Sewers], settled 25 January 1811.
- 182/1-15. Bundle of vouchers, some annotated by Bold, presumably sent with his accounts for 1811 though some relate to earlier years.
- 183/1-13. Letter from Thomas Bold to the Revd. William Roberts, enclosing all the vouchers in his custody, Brecon, 20 January 1814: vouchers for 1810 to 1813 enclosed.

- 184/1-11. Bundle of vouchers, mostly receipts for payments made by David Williams [Newport solicitor] on behalf of Thomas Bold for Eton College, 1811-1813; letter from Williams to Bold about the sale of Priory Wood, 9 November 1813,, with copy of letter from Messrs H. & W. Parry to Williams about the wood, 22 October 1813.
- 185/1-10. Bundle of receipts for money paid by D. Williams for Thomas Bold, 1815-1816.
186. Receipt for first half of 1815 property tax on Eton College property in Goldcliff, 31 January 1816.
187. Receipt for first half year's poor tax for 1816, 25 June 1816.
188. Receipt for Level tax charged on Eton College land in Nash, 30 August 1816.
189. Receipt for last half year's property tax due from Eton College for year ending 5 April 1816, 7 September 1816.
190. Receipt for last half year's property tax for 1815 due on Eton College land in Goldcliff, 30 October 1816.
191. Account of William Waters for work done by order of Robert Owens for Eton College, January and February 1816.
192. Account of George Lewis for scouring reens, 29 September 1816.
193. Account of William Thomas, mason, 8 August 1815 - 26 January 1816, with two receipts for payments by Robert Owen and Thomas Bold, second dated 9 September 1816.
194. Receipt from John Seys for payment from Bold for work done at Goldcliff, 19 September 1816.
195. Account of John Harris for work done on buildings on Eton College estate, 13 November 1815; notes of payments made and due, and receipt for part payment made by Bold, 11 September 1816.
196. Letter from John Savery of Messrs Savery & Jarman, trustees of the estate of George Jones, esq., to Thomas Bold, requesting settlement of bill for sea stakes ordered by Robert Owen, agent to Eton College, for which two demands have already been made, Newport, 4 October 1816.  
Notes of bills drawn on various banks endorsed, used to settle this account, 15 December 1816.

197. Memoranda of receipt of payments due from Eton College signed by Henry Edwards (1 February 1817), John Seys (3 February and 21 August 1818) and William Taylor (3 February and 21 August 1818); calculations, and memorandum that Thomas Waters was appointed expeditor, 16 January 1819; note of receipt signed and written by Bold, 3 February 1818.
198. Letter acknowledging settlement of bill of George Jones, from John Savery and Mr Jarman, trustees of Jones (see ECR 64/196 above), Bristol, 17 December 1816.
199. Receipt for property tax for the Hundred Acres in Kemeys Inferior, 15 January 1817.
200. Receipt for poor tax on Priory woods for last quarter 1816, 25 January 1817; allowed 3 February 1818.
201. Receipt for poor tax on Priory woods, 29 November 1817; allowed 3 February 1818.
202. Receipt for poor tax for last quarter 1816, 15 March 1817; allowed 3 February 1818.
203. Receipt for poor tax on Priory woods, 14 June 1817; allowed 3 February 1818.
204. Receipt for highway tax, 24 June 1817; allowed 3 February 1818.
205. Letter from Henry Edwards to Thomas Bold, asking him to pay the bearer £1. 1s. which Edwards was promised in 1817 for summoning the tenants to Goldcliff court, Goldcliff, 3 February 1818, receipted 3 February 1818.
206. Receipt for Level tax, 2 February 1818.
207. Receipt for Level tax on Eton College lands in Goldcliff, 5 November 1816.
208. Receipt for property tax on Eton College lands in Nash for 1815, 1 November 1816.
209. Receipt for Level tax on Moorbarn Farm in Nash, 12 April 1818; allowed 22 August 1818.

210. Receipt for Level Tax on Moorbarn Farm, Nash, for 1818, 20 January 1819; subscribed: The above allowed me by Mr Bold the 2d day of Februry 1819. Wm. Taylor.
- 211/1-11. Account of David Williams with Thomas Bold, 3 February 1818 - 30 January 1819; settled 2 February 1819; annotated in red ink; vouchers enclosed.
212. Receipt by William Taylor for £50 from Bold, being the allowance for his rent for Mow Barn, 2 February 1819.
213. Account of William Taylor for scouring reens, 10 October 1816.
214. Account of John Horton to William Taylor, settled 7 September 1816; reimbursement by Thomas Bold acknowledged by Taylor, 3 February 1817.
- 215/1,2. Accounts of John Edwards and Rudhall Richards to William Taylor, settled and submitted as vouchers by Taylor sen., November 1816.
216. Account of William Taylor, sen., for scouring reens, 25 September 1817; allowed 21 August 1818.
217. Account of William Taylor for scouring reens, 25 September 1818, receipted 2 February 1819.
- 218/1,2. Account and receipt of D. Harry for sea stakes, 16 November and 5 December 1816.
219. Account of William Richards for work done by order of Robert Owen, 1815; receipted 3 February 1817.
220. Account of Thomas Francis for hauling sea stakes, 5 December 1816; receipted, n.d.
221. Account of Thomas Francis for hauling sea stakes, 8 December 1816; receipt for part of the amount subscribed, n.d.; receipt for residue, 3 February 1817, endorsed.
222. Account of Henry Jones for stakes ordered by Thomas Waters, 8 December 1816; receipted 3 February and 1 April 1817.



223. Letter from Henry Jones to Thomas Bold, acknowledging receipt of £40, Newport, 17 February 1817.
224. Receipted account of Henry Edwards to David Williams for food and drink for manorial officials and residents, 5 November 1817; settled 6 December 1817.
225. Account of George Lewis for scouring reens, 20 September 1817; receipted, n.d.;[?allowed] 3 February 1818.
226. Account of John Barnett for casting reen, 26 October 1819.
227. Receipt for highway tax due from Eton College for 1819, 4 September 1819.
228. Receipt for poor tax due from Eton College on the first assessment for 1819, 4 September 1819.
229. Receipt from Dinah Taylor for £48 abatement of her rent due 2 February 1818, 6 September 1819.
230. Receipt for Level tax paid by Dinah Taylor on Eton College lands in Goldcliff for 1818, 26 April 1819; receipt for repayment by Bold, 6 September 1819.
231. Account of George Lewis for scouring pills, settled by Mrs Taylor 29 September 1818; receipt for repayment by Bold, 6 September 1819.
232. Receipt from Dinah Taylor of £48 abatement of her rent due 2 February 1819, 6 September 1819.
233. Receipt for poor tax and highway tax due from Eton College for parish of Christchurch, 8 November 1819.
234. Receipted account of Henry Edwards to David Williams for food and drink, 29 September 1819; settled 20 November 1819.
235. Receipted account of William Phillips, expeditor for the outfalls of Monkcliff and Chapel pills, 19 October 1819, with note asking Bold to pay Joseph Mitchel; settled 18 December 1819; note by Bold that D. Williams will take this amount as cash, 8 November 1819.

236. Receipted account of William Taylor for scouring reens, 8 November 1819; settled, n.d.; [?allowed] 2 February 1820.

237. Receipted account of George Prosser, 12 September 1819; settled 20 September 1819; [?allowed] 2 February 1820.

238. Receipt for poor rate for the great tithes of Christchurch parish, 2 February 1820.

239. Receipted account of William Jones, carpenter, 30 April 1819; settled 22 February 1820.

240. Receipt for poor tax for first part of 1820, 26 February 1820.

241. Receipt for highway tax paid on behalf of Eton College, 6 May 1820.

242. Receipt from William Keene, expeditor, 2 September 1820, for payment of account annexed from Collins, Barrett & Co. for work done on Chapel reen, 7 August 1820,

Subscribed: This work when completed inspected by Thos. Rowland Surveyor-General. (Two documents sealed together)

243. Receipt for first assessment of poor tax for Priory woods, 7 October 1820.

244. Account and receipt of Henry Edwards for food and drink, 29 September 1820; settled 20 October 1820 (Two documents sealed together).

245-259: Vouchers for 1821, with original label: Eton College vouchers 1821.

- 245/1-3. /1. Receipt from John Milner for £50 allowance on his rent and £8 5s. 8d. repayment for annexed bills, 2 February 1821.  
/2. Account of John Edwards to Milner, 10 May 1820, settled, n.d.  
/3. Account of George Prosser, 27 June 1820, settled by Milner, n.d.

- 246/1-4. /1. Receipt from Dinah Taylor for £96, being 2 years' allowance for the Hill at Goldcliff, and £6 17s. 6d. in settlement of annexed bills, 2 February 1821.  
/2. Account of George Lewis, 20 September 1819, settled by Mrs. Taylor, n.d.  
/3. Account of William Jones, settled by Mrs Taylor 8 September 1820;  
/4. Account of George Lewis, 29 September 1820, settled by Mrs Taylor, n.d.

(Four documents pinned together)

247. Receipt for Level tax due on Eton College lands in Nash, paid by John Milner, 30 January 1821; with note that the sum was allowed Milner by Thomas Bold, 2 February 1821.

248. Receipted account of John Milner for scouring reens, 10 November 1820, settled 2 February 1821.

249. Receipted account of Thomas Hadley, 15 November 1820; with note that the sum was allowed Hadley by Thomas Bold, 2 February 1821.

250/1,2. /1. Account of John Seys for a year's salary from Eton College for inspecting sea walls at Goldcliff, 2 February 1821.  
/2. Receipt from Seys for the salary, 2 February 1821.

251. Receipt for poor tax and highway tax on Priory woods, 24 February 1821.

252. Receipt for Level tax due on Eton land in Goldcliff for 1820, paid by Diana Taylor, 14 April 1821.

253. Account of James Williams for hedging Priory wood, n.d.; note by Bold that he paid £4 on account and charged the sum in his account with the College ended 2 February 1820; receipt of residue endorsed, 16 April 1821.

254/1,2. /1. Account of James Williams for making a road through Priory wood n.d.

/2. Receipt for money paid by D. Williams for Bold, 21 April 1821.

(Two documents pinned together)

255. Receipt for first assessment of poor tax on Priory woods for 1821, 9 June 1821.

256. Receipted account from Henry Edwards, 3 October [?1821]; settled 27 October 1821.

257. Receipt for 2nd assessment of poor tax on Priory woods, 10 November 1821.

258. Receipt from D. Williams for salary for looking after the walls etc. of Eton College, due 2 February 1821, 25 November 1821.

259. Receipt from Robert Young for payment to John Williams for cutting roads and fencing wood at Christchurch, 15 December 1821.

260-270: Vouchers for 1822

260/1-6. /1. Receipt from Dinah Taylor for sum to settle annexed bills, 2 February 1822.

/2. Account of William James, 22 August 1821, settled by Mrs Taylor 20 October [?1821].

/3. Account of William Walter for work done for Mrs Taylor, 14 June 1821; settled ?15 June [1821].

/4. Account for work done for Mrs Taylor scouring Monk ditch, 29 September 1821.

/5. Account of John Jones, 6 October 1821; settled by Mrs Taylor, n.d.

/6. Account of Timothy Collins, settled by Mrs Taylor, 2 August 1821.

261/1-3. /1. Account of William Edwards for ditching on Moorbarn Farm, 14 May 1821; settled 12 June.

/2. Account of John Milner for cleaning and scouring reens on Moorbarn Farm, 29 September 1821; settled 2 February 1822.

/3. Account of John Jones for repairing tiles on Moorbarn Farm house, barn, stables etc., 30 August 1821; settled by John Milner, n.d.

(three documents pinned together and endorsed: 2d Feby 1822. Rect Milners Repairs £11. 7. 11)

262. Account of Waters & Jones, September 1820; settled 16 April 1821 and 2 February 1822.

263. Receipt for highway tax on Priory woods, 2 March 1822.

264. Receipt for first assessment of poor tax on Priory woods, 25 May 1822.

265. Receipt for second assessment of poor tax, 16 November 1822.

266. Account and receipt annexed from Timothy Collins for work done for Eton College, 7 August 1822; settled 23 November 1822.

267. Receipted account of Richard Ashfield to David Williams, 1 October 1822; settled by Bold, 23 November 1822.



268. Receipt from John Milner of £50 allowance of rent, 25 November 1822.

269. Receipt from Diana Taylor of £48 allowance of rent, 25 November 1822.

270. Receipt from D. Williams of his year's salary of £15 15s. for superintending repairs to the sea walls etc., 26 November 1822.

271-292: vouchers for 1824.

271. Receipt for last assessment of poor tax for year ending 25 March 1824, paid 10 January 1824.

272/1-4. /1. Account of George Lewis, 29 September 1823; settled by Mrs Taylor.

/2. Account of John Allen, 16 September 1823; settled n.d.

/3. Account of John Jones, 26 November 1823; settled by Mrs D. Taylor, n.d.

/4. Account of William Francis, 28 August 1823; settled by Mrs D. Taylor, n.d.

(4 bills pinned together and ECR 64/272/4 endorsed: 2d Feby 1824 Mrs Taylor Rect Repairs £10.11.0, with totals added up and ticked.)

273. Receipt for Level tax paid by Mrs Taylor, 5 November 1823.

274/1-5. /1. Account from D. Harrhy, wine and brandy merchant, 8 March 1823, with totals of other bills in the bundle added.

/2. Account of John Jones, 20 November 1823, settled by John Milner, n.d. (cut into 3 pieces).

/3. Account of William James, 14 September 1823; settled 17 October.

/4. Account of Ann Lewis to John Milner, 8 March [?1823]; settled the same day.

/5. Account of William Edwards, 12 December 1823; settled the same day.

(5 documents, ECR 64/274/1 endorsed: 2d Feby 1824. Rect Milners Repairs £3.0.0)

275/1-2. /1. Account of Edward Morgan for scouring reens, 20 October 1823; settled, n.d.

/2. Receipt for land tax due from Eton for parish of Nash, 14 October 1823.

(2 documents, ECR64/275/1 endorsed: 2d Feby 1824. Jno Milner's Rect. Scouring Reens and Land Tax and sums and total)

276. Receipt from James Williams, 2 February 1824.

277. Receipt from John Williams, vicar of Goldcliff, for annual stipend due Christmas 1823, paid 2 February 1824.
278. Receipt from William Prosser for 7s. allowance of rent for land taken for the reen cut through it, 2 February 1824.
- 279/1, 2. /1. Account of John Edwards, settled 2 February 1824.  
/2. Account of Philip Baker to John Edwards, 12 November 1823; settled 23 November 1823.
- (2 documents pinned together and ECR 64/279/1 endorsed: 2d Feby 1824 Rect for Gates etc £4. 17. 0)
280. Receipt for highway tax due on Priory woods, 3 April 1824.
281. Receipt for 1st assessment of poor tax due on Priory woods, 8 May 1824.
282. Receipted account of George Prosser for work on Chapel pill, 27 September 1824; settled 11 October 1824; certified that the work has been completed and inspected by Thomas Rowland, General Surveyor [?to the Court of Sewers].
283. Receipt for 2nd assessment of poor tax due on Priory woods for year beginning 6 April 1824, paid 23 October 1824.
284. Account and receipt from William Edwards, 3 February 1824, settled 19 November 1824 (2 documents sealed together).
285. Receipt from John Milner for £50 allowance of rent due 2 February 1824, 20 November 1824.
286. Receipt from Dinah Taylor for £48 allowance of rent due 2 February 1824, 20 November 1824.
287. Receipt from Joseph Mitchell for £40 in part payment for work done for Eton College, 20 November 1824.
288. Receipt from David Williams for a year's salary of £15. 15s. for superintending the sea walls, 20 November 1824.
289. Receipted account of Rowland Nicholas, 25 June 1823; settled 20 November 1824.

290. Received account of John Williams, 14 March 1824; settled n.d. ; endorsed 20 November 1824.

291. Received account of Richard Ashfield, 5 October 1824; settled 20 November 1824.

292/1-3. /1. Account of Edward Bevan to John Milner, November 1824; settled 20 November and subscribed that the work had been inspected by Thomas Rowland, General Surveyor.

/2. Account of Edward Bevan to John Milner, 15 October 1824; settled 2 November.

/3. Account of George Prosser, 25 October 1824; settled 20 November and subscribed that the work had been inspected by Thomas Rowland, General Surveyor.

(3 documents pinned together) ECR 64/292/3 endorsed: 20th Nov 1824  
Rect cleaning presentable reens £13.19. 2.

293-299: vouchers from Hoare's Bank

293. Letter from Henry Hoare & Co to Thomas Bold acknowledging receipt of bills for £200 on account of Eton College, London, 11 February 1818.

294. As ECR 64/293, 8 May 1818.

295. Receipt for £200 from Eton College, 8 February 1819.

296. Receipt from Henry Hoare & Co. for bill for £200 on account of Eton College received from Thomas Bold, London, 7 February 1820.

297. As ECR 64/296, for £150, 8 December 1820.

298. As ECR 64/296, for £200, 15 February 1821.

299. As ECR 64/296, for £100, 4 March 1822 (torn).

ACCOUNTS AND CORRESPONDENCE OF AND CONCERNING

COLLEGE AGENTS: PHILIP VAUGHAN

300/1, 2. /1. Letter from Philip Vaughan, steward of College manors, to the Revd. George Bethell, Bursar of Eton College: sends annual accounts for the College estate in Monmouthshire (no longer enclosed); Thomas Milner asks to be excused payment of the sum disallowed for repairs at Mourbarn because they were for the permanent improvement of the property, Brecon, 5 December 1844.

Annotated in pencil: to pay 70£

/2. Cover addressed to Bethell.

301. Account of Thomas Milner for repairs to Moorbarn Farm, 1842.

Subscribed: receipt from Milner of £120 7s. 8d. paid by Philip Vaughan, being a moiety of his expenses as per agreement, 25 November 1843.

Endorsed: Objected to by the College. Mr Vaughan informed of this objection.

302/1, 2. /1. Covering letter from Vaughan to the Bursar, with accounts for the year (not found), Brecon, 5 December 1845.

/2. Cover addressed to the Bursar, Eton College.

303/1, 2. /1. Letter from Vaughan to the Revd. George Bethell: the tenant of Mourbarn is willing to pay the £70 the College has disallowed, but still hopes their decision may be reconsidered in view of the benefit to the estate and the substantial buildings involved, Brecon, 10 December 1845.

/2. Cover addressed to Bethell as Bursar, Eton College.

304/1-3. /1. Letter from Vaughan to the Bursar: has applied to Mr Milner for the £70 and received a letter which he encloses, Brecon, 17 December 1845.

/2. Letter from Thomas Milner to Vaughan, solicitor, Brecon: asks the College to allow him half of the £260 he has spent on new buildings at Mow Barn Farm, and not require him to pay the £70 now demanded. When the Provost and others inspected the buildings they thought the sum he had been allowed insufficient. Mow Barn, Nash, near Newport, 16 December 1845.

Annotated [?by Bethell]: no such communication ever took place as stated in my answer to Mr Vaughan.

/3. Cover addressed to Bethell as Bursar.



305. Letter from John Taylor to Bethell: he has instructed Eton tenants to pay no more rents to Mr Vaughan; gives details of last payment of several tenants. Vaughan always drew bills at 2 or 3 months so no cash was ever paid to him. Goldcliff, 6 March 1846.

306/1, 2. /1. Letter from Thomas Batcheldor [Registrar, Eton College] to the Revd. Thomas Carter, Eton College: he has met Milner, the tenant of Mourbarn, and Taylor, the tenant of the Hill Farm. Taylor is wrong in saying he has cleared his rent up to 2 February last; he has paid up to 2 August 1845 and given bills to £200 on account of rent due next August. Milner has paid half a year's rent to last August. Tithes have all been paid to last Michaelmas. Milner and Taylor are to meet Batcheldor at Mr Vaughan's next day. The bill system seems to have been going for some years. He has told Taylor and Milner that unless they clear everything up to his satisfaction he will distrain for the rent due. David Williams is away but seems not to have been implicated in Vaughan's defalcations. He will return to Monmouth after seeing Vaughan and wait until he has the court rolls. Monmouth, 11 March 1846.

/2. Envelope addressed to the Revd. T. Carter, Eton College.

307. Account of rent, tithes and cash in the hands of Philip Vaughan, to 2 February 1846, for Christchurch and Goldcliff. Covering letter from Batcheldor to Bethell concerning the state of College rents at Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch with reference to Mr William Taylor's statements in his letter of 6 March 1846 [?John Taylor, ECR 64/305]. Mr David Williams is willing to render any assistance he can; he has held courts as deputy steward to Mr Bold and Mr Vaughan for many years. Windsor, 25 March 1846.

Endorsed: March 25th 1846. Report to the Revd. G. Bethell, Bursar of Eton College of the state of the Rental of Goldcliffe Nash and Christchurch. T. Batcheldor, Registrar.

308/1, 2. Enclosures with ECR 64/307:

/1. Acknowledgement by Thomas Milner, jun., of Nash that he is indebted to the College in £112 10s., being half a year's rent of Moorbarn Farm in Nash which he holds under lease, due 2 February 1846, 12 March 1846.

/2. Acknowledgement by John Taylor of Goldcliff that he is indebted to the College in £102 10s., being half a year's rent due 2 February 1846 of the Hill Farm at Goldcliff which he holds under lease, 12 March 1846.

Both documents witnessed by William Trew, clerk to Messrs Vaughan & Bevan, Brecon, and Batcheldor.

309/1, 2. /1. Letter from Thomas Batcheldor to the Revd. G. Bethell: suspicions of Mr Vaughan's proceedings have led him to go into details of his wood sales since he became Agent to the College: he finds that Vaughan has received and not accounted for nearly £380 during the past 5 years for Coppice wood. Sends details and suggests that his defalcations will amount in total to about £1350. Sends an account of the rental for Goldcliff, one of the College's best, not its worst, estates. Windsor, 21 September 1846.

Annotated in another hand.

309/1, 2. /2. Account of the rental of Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch for the year ending 2 February 1846.  
Account of bills etc paid by T. Batcheldor at Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch to Michaelmas 1846.

310/1, 2. /1. Account of David Williams with the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, 1846.

/2. Cover addressed to Bethell, Worplesdon, Guildford, Surrey: with pencil calculations and ink notes of sums derived from woods, 1834-43.

311. Letter from Batcheldor to Bethell: he is now able to send a detailed account of Vaughan's timber defalcations, and is convinced that the College has been robbed of an enormous amount, not only by suppression of information but by the low price at which timber appears to have been sold. Mr Vaughan has passed the Bankrupt Court at Bristol, but the College ought to indict him for fraud at the next Monmouth Assizes. Windsor, 29 September 1846.

312. Account of sales of wood in Great and Little Priory woods at Christchurch from 14 December 1832 to 24 March 1845 inclusive (probably the detailed account mentioned in ECR 64/311).

313. Letter from Batcheldor to Bethell: reports on his visit to Ipswich and inspection of the land required by the Ipswich and Bury St Edmunds Railway Co. from the Blakenham estate; he has demanded £200 from the Company for the land taken without notice, and will instruct Messrs Tooke as solicitors to the College to apply to the Company to have the sums invested according to the Act. Reports his negotiations with Mr Wood, one of the executors of Mr Peacock, about the fine to be paid for the Mill [?at Blakenham]. Sends details of fines received at Weedon court. Sends Mr Williams's account of the Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch rent charges and chief rents for 1845 (not found); has sent circulars to everyone charged with payment of Eton tithe rent charges. Windsor, 20 November 1846.

314-321. Vouchers in support of Vaughan's accounts for 1845:

314. Account of John Jones for work done to the chancel at Christchurch, August - September 1844, settled by Philip Vaughan, 8 February 1845.

315. Receipt from John Baker for the Revd. John Williams for £16 stipend as vicar of Goldcliff, 27 June 1845.

316/1-4. /1-3. Three receipts for poor rate for the parish of Christchurch, charged on the great tithes, paid 25 January, 21 June, 26 September 1845.

/4. Wrapper endorsed: 1845 Poor's Rates on the Great Tithes of Christchurch & Nash 10.2.6

314-321. Vouchers in support of Vaughan's accounts for 1845:

317/1-4. /1-3. Three receipts for poor rate for parish of Christchurch, charged on the Priory woods, paid 25 January, 21 June, 26 September 1845.

/4. Wrapper endorsed: 1845 Poor's Rates Papers on the Priory Woods Christchurch £7.10.0

318. Account of David Morris for drink, oats and constable's expenses at Court leet, 23 October 1845; settled by David Williams for Philip Vaughan, 8 November 1845,

319. Account of John Jones for building work done for Eton College, 26 May, 7 October 1845; settled by Mr Vaughan, 22 November 1845.

320. Account of John Davies, surveyor of Goldcliff, for work done by order of the Commission of Sewers on Monk ditch pill, Murland pill, Chapel reen, Monk ditch pill gout and Fisher's gout, 10 October 1845; settled by Mr Vaughan, 22 November 1845.

321/1, 2. /1. Account of William Jones, mason, 27 November 1845; settled 22 November 1845 as per receipt .

/2. Receipt, 22 November 1845.

[Dates are clear though improbable]

ACCOUNTS OF COLLEGE TENANTS

HENRY MORGAN, tenant of manors of Goldcliff, Nash, Coldra

322. Account of Henry Morgan with the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, 1744-1746, sent by his nephew Hen' [?or Hew] Morgan, Caerleon, 18 May 1746.  
Addressed to the Revd. Doctor Burton, Eton College [John Burton, Fellow 1733-1771].

Endorsed: Mr Morgan's Acct 1746.

323. Mr Morgan's account of tithes of Goldcliff, Nash and Christchurch, 1744.

CHARLES VAN, tenant of manors of Goldcliff, Nash, Coldra

324. Copy of accounts sent to Eton College which were either lost or mislaid according to Mr Brookland:  
Account of Charles Van with the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, 1755 and 1756; account of disbursements towards the repair of Murban House barn and stall house by Charles Van, 1756 and 1757; extract from account of David Jones for repairing sea walls, etc., n.d.

Endorsed: Mr Van's Acct Delivered in Novr 1757

325. Memorandum of allowances to be made to Charles Van, esq., by the Provost and College of Eton by 3 payments of £53 each on 1 May 1756, 1 May 1757 and 1 May 1758 towards reimbursement for building work and repairs as detailed, 23 July 1755 (see ECR 64/28).

Subscribed: This Estimate was made and agreed to by Charles Van (signed), Evan Evans (signed).

Endorsed: Repairs agreed upon VII.

326. Account of College rent roll and expenses [?] to be allowed to the tenant, n.d.

Endorsed: Mr Van's extravagant Calculation of the Outgoings

CHARLES TAMPLIN, tenant of Hill Farm, Goldcliff and Mourbarn Farm, Nash, and expeditor to effect repairs to sea walls etc on behalf of Eton College

327. Account of work done by Charles Tamplin by the orders of the Revd. Westcot Littleton for the use of Eton College, [?] 3 July 1747.

Subscribed: Acknowledgement by Tamplin that the account was allowed to him in his last year's rent due to Eton, £1. 4s. 6d. having been first deducted, 3 July 1747. Tamplin subscribed his mark, witnessed by Ja. (?) Watkins

Endorsed: Tamplin's Disbursements delivrd July 3. 1747



CHARLES TAMPLIN

328. Account of work done and disbursements made for the use of Eton College by Charles Tamplin in 1747, with receipt by Tamplin subscribed, witnessed by William Brookland, 19 October 1749 (entries for 1748 and 1749 also included).

Endorsed: Tamplins 1747 & 1748 & settled Oct. 20th 1749

329. Account of work done by Charles Tamplin by the orders of the Revd. Westcot Littleton for the use of Eton College in the year 1749, headed Accot Mark I.

Endorsed: The acct for the year 1749

In another hand: Bill Mark I Charles Tamplin

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330. Account of halling work & cash disbursed by Charles Tamplin for the use of Eton College in the year 1750, headed Accot Mark II. Amended total as agreed with Mr Littleton subscribed.

Endorsed: Bill Mark II Charles Tamplin

331. Similar to ECR 64/330, subscribed: My Copy of this Account sent to Coll Decr. 12. 1752 is 118: 18: 08 (in Littleton's hand).

<u>Endorsed:</u> Tamplin's Acct of Work 1750	126. 18. 7½
Littleton's of the same (?)	118. 18. 8
Diff.	<hr/> 8. 0. 0
No - 7.2	

332. Account of disbursements made by Charles Tamplin by order of the Revd. Westcot Littleton for the use of Eton College from 9 January to 2 March 1750 [1751]: items grouped with totals for separate jobs; additional entry for 4 March; certified a just account by Joseph Jones, 4 March 1750 [1751].

Subscribed: The acct for the year 1750

After the first account, added in another hand: & C Decr 8: 1752

After the subsidiary account, in the same hand: & C Decr 8: 1756

Side note: Mark II. No. 5

333. Account of work done and disbursements made by Charles Tamplin by order of the Revd. Westcot Littleton for the use of Eton College in 1751, headed Accot Mark III.

Attached by a pin: receipt from John Lewis, glazier, 17 Oct. 1751

Note on inner page: overpayments 1749 and 1750

Endorsed: Bill Mark III - Charles Tamplin  
1751

CHARLES TAMPLIN

334. Account of work done and disbursements made by Charles Tamplin by order of Mr Littleton for the use of Eton College in 1752, headed Mark IV.

Subscribed: the Disbursements of Chas Tamplin Expenditor on the Seawall belong to late Mr Hill Evans in Courdbeland which I gave in att his majestys Court of Sewer upon Oath

Amended figures added.

Endorsed: Bill Mark IV Charles Tamplin  
1752

335. Similar to ECR 64/334 to total; subscribed: Q Of what Particulars is this Article made up (against sum of £120. 8. 6). Recd this Account Sept<sup>r</sup> 13th 1753

Endorsed: Tamplins Acct 1752 deliverd Sept. 1753 £146. 0. 5  
But I have not found ye Acct how £120 of this is expended  
No. 7 - 3

336. Account of sums paid in 1753 by Tamplin to labourers employed on the sea walls belonging to the lands of the late William Hill Evans, now in the possession of Eton College: transcripts of receipts from workmen dated 10 and 13 March 1753.

Endorsed: Charles Tamplin's vouchers of Expenditorship see IV  
1753

337. Account of Charles Tamplin, expenditor ordered by the Court [of Sewers] to repair the sea walls belonging to the land of the late William Hill Evans, now in the possession of Eton College, in Curbyhind in 1753;

A copy of Tamplin's account for work and disbursements in 1752;  
A copy of notice dated 23 August 1753 that he intends to quit the farms he rents of Littleton as agent of Eton College, sent by Tamplin to Littleton and received by him 12 [September] 1753.

Addressed to the Revd. Thomas Ashton, Fellow of Eton College.

Endorsed: see Bill Mark IV  
Charles Tamplin's Account of Money laid out as Expenditor  
on Hill Evans Farm 1753

Also Acct of work done by Tamplin 1752

H. Evans 119. 19. 6

other wk 25. 11. 11

No. 7 - 4

Note this is enterd in Tamplin's Account 1752

338. Account of work done and disbursements made by Charles Tamplin for the use of Eton College, headed Accot Mark V.

Endorsed: Bill Mark V Charles Tamplin

339. Copy made by Littleton of Tamplin's account of work done and disbursements made in 1746 (copy of ECR 64/327).

Endorsed: Tamplin Exp 1746 (with some calculations)

CHARLES TAMPLIN

340. Copy made by Littleton of Tamplin's accounts for 1749, 1750 and 1751 (similar to ECR 64/329, 330, 333 with minor variations).

Endorsed: Littleton (deleted) Tamplin 1750 1751

341. Copy made by Littleton of Tamplin's account of work done in 1749, taken 8 December 1752, and in 1751, taken 8 December 1752. (similar to ECR 64/329, 333).

Annotated: Tamplin's acct - 1749 1750 1751  
No. 7.

342. Abstract of accounts of Charles Tamplin for 1749, 1750, 1751, 1752 and 1753, with annotations in a different hand querying sums, etc.

Addressed to the Revd. Mr Cook, Eton College.

Endorsed: Tamplins Acct for 1749 50 51 52 53 which ought to be examind by the Bills, some only of which are among these Papers.  
No. 7. 1

343. Abstract of Tamplin's Bill: duplicates first few entries of ECR 64/327, therefore presumably relates to 1746.

Endorsed: various calculations concerning Goldcliff parish, Monkcliff pill and estreats

344. Abstract of account of Charles Tamplin with Eton College, as settled by Allen Lord, esq., on behalf of Tamplin, and Evan Evans on behalf of Eton, 24 July 1754 and 24 July 1755.

Subscribed: Statement by Tamplin that the account has been settled at his request and to his satisfaction, and stating his gratitude to Eton for clemency and the allowances made to him.

Endorsed: Abstract of Mr Chas Tamplin's Accot. as settled 24th July 1755.

345. Tamplin's bills, sorted and classified under headings: taxes and assessments; mixed payments; ditching etc., with reference to Bills Mark I - V, 1749-1753.

346. Tamplin's bills for repairing sea walls, with reference to Bills Mark I - V (?continuation of ECR 64/345)

347/1, 2. Tamplin's vouchers:

/1. File labelled Tamplin's Receipts for 1749 (44 vouchers filed on a string)

/2. Bundle of 64 vouchers labelled Tamplin's disorderly Vouchers under here (some grouped, e.g. taxes, work on sea walls), c.1748-53.

JOHN EDWARDS, tenant of Moorbarn Farm, Nash, and agent of Eton College for repairing the sea walls

348. Abstract of John Edwards's account with the Provost and College of Eton, 18 July 1755: summarises debts and expenses during 1754, some entries marked E, D and W, which refer to detailed bills and vouchers, some of which survive (see following entries).

Endorsed: Mr Jno Edwards Abstract of Accot

349. Account of money laid out by John Edwards, agent to Eton College, in repairing the sea walls etc., 19 December 1754 - 18 July 1755.

Entries numbered 1-11 relate to following vouchers.

Annotated in a different hand: note of sum allowed to Edwards who promises to bring no more charges for gathering the remainder of the tithes for 1754, subscribed and signed by Edwards.

Endorsed: Bill Mark D - VI

40. 19. 2 by Mr Jno Edwards. Acct to Eaton Coll  
see Z

350-359. Vouchers to ECR 64/349: D1 - D11 (D3 missing):

350. Voucher D. No. 1: account of work done by 10 named workmen for Eton College upon the sea wall at Pill mouth and in setting thorns in the pill to preserve the wharf from damage, April 1755; settled by John Edwards, agent to Eton College, 14 May 1755, subscribed by the men.

351. Voucher D. No. 2: account of work done upon the sea wall in Courdbyhind by the Eight Acres and in driving stakes under the wall at New Key, and in raising stones out of Monk ditch Pill by the Great Gout at the Mill, and in driving stakes under the sea wall of the late Mr Hill Evans, 13 May - 3 July 1755; settled by John Edwards, 3 July 1755, and subscribed by 9 workmen.

352. Voucher D. No. 4: receipt for land tax for second half 1753 and first half 1754 for the Hundred Acres in Kemeys Inferior belonging to Eton College, 7 April and 26 October 1754.

353. Voucher D. No. 5: receipt for tithe for the Hundred Acres, 28 December 1754.

354. Voucher D. No. 6: receipt for 1754 land tax and tithe in Nash, 1 April 1755.

355. Voucher D. No. 7: receipt for 1754 poor and county taxes due on land in Nash, 28 March 1755.

356. Voucher D. No. 8: receipt for Highway tax for Christchurch Upper Division and poor rate for the same for 1754, 8 May 1755.

357. Voucher D. No. 9: receipt for 1754 land tax for Whitson, 29 March 1755.

358. Voucher D. No. 10: receipt for wagon load of thorns, 12 July 1755.

359. Voucher D. No. 11: receipt for work done in scouring Chapel reen, 10 June 1755.



JOHN EDWARDS

360. Account of work done and disbursements made by John Edwards by order of Westcot Littleton for the use of Eton College upon Mourban Farm in 1754. Some entries numbered 1-10 relating to the following vouchers.

Endorsed: Bill Mark W  
23. 2. 4 - by Jno Edwards  
see Z  
Mourbarn

361-370. Vouchers relating to ECR 64/360: W1-10:

361. Voucher W. No. 1: receipt for lime delivered, 21 March 1755.  
362. Voucher W. No. 2: receipt for carpenter's work, 10 May 1755.  
363. Voucher W. No. 3: receipt for work done at Nash on drainage, 18 October 1754.  
364. Voucher W. No. 4: receipt for work done at Nash on drainage, 20 March 1755.  
365. Voucher W. No. 5: receipt for work done on drainage at Mourbarn Farm, 16 July 1754.  
366. Voucher W. No. 6: receipt for work done at Nash, 1754.  
367. Voucher W. No. 7: receipt for work done on drainage, 23 May 1754.  
368. Voucher W. No. 8: receipt for level tax for Nash, 1 July 1754.  
369. Voucher W. No. 9: receipt for land tax for Nash for 1754, 1 April 1755.  
370. Voucher W. No. 10: receipt for work done on drainage, 14 July 1755.

371. Account of work done and disbursements made by John Edwards for the use of Eton College from 18 July 1755 by orders of Evan Evans.

Some entries numbered 1-12 but no corresponding vouchers found.

Endorsed: Letter from Provost Stephen Sleech to Charles Van, instructing him to pay Edwards the balance of his account, 18 May 1758;  
receipt by Edwards, 19 July 1758.  
John Edwards Accounts settled May the 18th 1758.

372/1-11. Vouchers numbered Z No. 1, 3-8 (4 vouchers all numbered 8), unnumbered voucher:

- /1. Voucher Z. No. 1: receipted bill from Margaret Montnier, 15 July 1755.  
/2. Voucher Z. No. 3: receipt for King's tax for Christchurch tithes, 20 April 1754.

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372/1-11.

/3. Voucher Z. No. 4: receipts for tithe and land tax, 26 July 1755.

/4. Voucher Z. No. 5: receipted bill for hauling timber, 26 July 1755.

/5. Voucher Z. No. 6: receipted bill for nails etc., 26 July 1755.

/6. Voucher Z. No. 7: receipted bill for work done on drainage, 26 July 1755.

/7. Voucher Z. No. 8: receipted account of William Phillips and Samuel Evans, expeditors on the two gouts at the end of Monkitch pill belonging to Eton College, 12 November 1754 - 13 January 1755, settled 30 July 1755.

/8. Voucher Z. No. 8: receipted bill giving details of 1st entry in ECR 64/372/7.

/9. Voucher Z. No. 8: receipted bill giving details of 2nd entry in ECR 64/372/7.

/10. Voucher Z. No. 8: receipt for 3rd amount in ECR 64/372/7.

/11. Voucher Z. No. -: receipted bill for carpenter's work, 22 July 1755.

ACCOUNTS OF CONTRACTORS FOR THE SEA WALLS

WILLIAM AND THOMAS WATERS, WATERS & JONES

373. Estimate sent by William Waters to [?Thomas Bold] of the annual cost of keeping in repair all sea walls, gouts, reens and arches in Nash and Goldcliff, and the three chancels, Goldcliff, 16 October 1809.

Endorsed: 1st Octr 1809 Estimate by Waters Repairs Sea Wall annually

374. Account of work done for the Provost and Fellows of Eton College in April and May 1809 by William Waters.

Endorsed: May 1809. This Bill for Rep[air]s to Waters not paid £66. 11. 0

Copy sent Mr Roberts 22d June 1809. TB[old]

375. Copy of ECR 64/374, subscribed: Exd. No vouchers for these sums

Endorsed: 1809 June W. Waters 2d bill 66-11 (originally 66-5-2, 5 and 2 deleted)

376. Account of work done for Eton College by William Waters during 1809.

Note added: 22d says ab[?out] 100 £ due to him. leaves it to the College what to allow him etc - for his Trouble Calculations subscribed.

Endorsed: Decr 1809 Waters Bills for Repairs Sea Walls 31st Decr 1809 Copy sent Wm Roberts £423. 4. 0 (see ECR 64/156)

377. Letter from Thomas Bold, Brecon, 15 July 1810, to the Revd. William Roberts, Eton College, sending copy of Waters's account, transcribed on reverse; he wishes to know whether he should give Waters notice to quit the College farm.

Copy of Waters's account, ? for 1809, annotated by Roberts:

Audit 1810 exd WR

Audit 1811 exd WR

and pencil annotations against certain entries.

Endorsed: Waters act from Bold July 15 - 1810

378/1, 2. /1. Account of Thomas Waters for work done for Eton College, August and October 1816; receipts to 2 February 1817; with copy of covering letter from Thomas Frost, Tredegar Boat Office, Newport, to Thomas Bold, 19 June 1817, on behalf of Waters.

/2. Account of Thomas Waters for work done for Eton College, August and October 1816, receipts 22 November 1816. (Similar to ECR 64/378/1, but in a different hand and different in details. ECR 64/378/1 and 2 pinned together.)

ECR 64/378/2 endorsed: Bold before audit 1816

THOMAS WATERS

379. Account of Thomas Waters for work done for Eton College, August and October 1816, receipts 1816, settled 3 February 1818. (similar to ECR 64/378, but contains more entries and total higher)

Endorsed: Feby 3d 1818 Receipt by Thos Waters for £102. 3. 6 as within.

In a different hand: Vide H. Morgans Letter to Mr Bold 2 Feb 1819 (?) and the within acct.

380. Account of Thomas Waters to Eton College, 1816.

Endorsed: 1816 Stakes & Hawling Waters 166.11 6

In a different hand: Waters accts and Rects in part

381/1-6. /1. Account of Thomas Waters for work done for Eton College, July 1818 - February 1819, settled 8 November 1819.

/2. Similar to ECR 64/381/1 but only four entries on Dr side, as per Bills Nos. 1-4.

Subscribed: Superintendence of the above work left to Thos Bold Esqr to allow what he thinks proper. T Waters

Endorsed: The Provost & Fellows of Eton College (Waters's hand)

In another hand: Waters acct ending 2 Feb. 1819

Paid him in accot as within	-	11.	19.	2	
		9.	10	-	
		12.	18	-	
		33.	9.	10	
		-	5	-	
		1.	5	-	
		3.	10	-	
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		£72.	17	-	

/3-6: bills 1-4, attached as vouchers:

/3. Account of Evan Morgan for work done July and August 1818, settled 2 Feb. 1819; endorsed No. 1

/4. Account of William Waters, July and August 1818, settled 30 Jan. 1819; endorsed No. 2

/5. Account of William Stephen & Partner, March - August 1818, settled 17 September 1818; endorsed No. 3

/6. Account of Waters & Jones, 5 Sept. 1818 - 23 Jan. 1819; endorsed No. 4.



WATERS & JONES

382/1-4. /1. Account of Waters & Jones, Newport, for work done for Eton College, 2 September 1819; receipted 2 February 1820 by Thomas Waters.

/2. Voucher: account of Edward Francis, smith, 4 Sept. 1819.

/3. Voucher: account of Joseph Mitchell for repairing Fisher's Gout, 16 December 1819.

/4. Appointment by the Court of Sewers for the Levels of the Hundreds of Caldicot and Wentlooge [Wentloog], held at Newport, 16 January 1819, of Thomas Waters of Christchurch, yeoman, as expeditor on work presented at a session of the Court held 3 December 1818, on Fishers Gout in Goldcliff.

Endorsed: 20 Feby 1820 Rect Repairs on Fishers Gout £42. 4. 4

383. Account of Waters & Jones for work done for Eton College, 26 February, 23 September 1820; settled in part, 16 April 1821 by Thomas Bold.

Endorsed: April 21 1821 Waters's Bill and Receipt in part £40-0.0

384-393. Vouchers:

384. Receipts of 14 and 26 August 1809 from William Waters and David Williams for Waters for payments for repair of sea walls for Eton College.

385. Receipt from William Waters, 28 August 1809, of £50 from David Williams for repair of sea walls at Goldcliff belonging to Eton College.

386. Receipt from William Waters, 7 October 1809, of £50 more for repair of sea walls.

387. Receipted account of David Davis to Thomas Waters for work on the tithe barn at Christchurch, 8 Sept, 1816; settled 5 Jan. 1817.

388. Estimate by Evan Morgan for building part of the sea wall at Goldcliff Hill in Goldcliff, Newport, 17 June 1816.

Subscribed: note concerning alteration in the specification.

389. Receipted account of Evan Morgan to Thomas Waters, 29 Nov. 1816; settled 28 Jan. 1817.

390/1, 2. /1. Account of Evan Morgan for £1391 for work done for Eton College rebuilding the wall at the Hill, 14 June 1817.

/2. Receipt from Evan Morgan, 14 June 1817, for £15. 13s.

391/1, 2. /1. Letter from T. Frost to Thomas Bold acknowledging receipt of £40 on account of Evan Morgan's balance against the College, Newport, 11 June 1817.

/2. Receipt from Thomas Frost for Evan Morgan of £40 paid by Mr Taylor on behalf of Bold, Newport, 11 June 1817 (two documents sealed together).

384-393. Vouchers:

392/1, 2. /1. Certificate by Thomas Waters stating that he has examined the sea wall being built at Goldcliff Hill by Evan Morgan and that work to the value of £240 has been done there, 2 August 1816.

/2. Receipt from Evan Morgan for £200 on account of contract work now in hand, 2 August 1816.

393. Receipt from Evan Morgan for £200 on account of work in hand, 31 October 1816.

JOSEPH MITCHELL AND JOHN SEYS

394. Account for repairs and other work done to the sea walls belonging to Eton College in Goldcliff by Joseph Mitchell by direction of John Seys, 5 December 1816

Annotated in pencil and ink ?by Bold; red ink totals and comments added by ?William Roberts.

Endorsed: A The Xs marked within were made by T. Bold from the Particular Opinion of Mr Jessop

In red ink (?Roberts): Mr Mitchell's charge is 520-6-8 Jessop allows 493.10.6.

Pencil calculations.

395. Statement of Joseph Mitchell's account with Eton College, 11 December 1816

(In Jessop's hand; the total corresponds with that noted as allowed by Jessop in ECR 64/394)

Endorsed: B £493. 10. 6

396. Account of work done by Joseph Mitchell for Eton College by direction of John Seys in Goldcliff, 3 February 1817.

Subscribed: Receipt from John Seys for £80 paid by Thomas Bold on account of Eton College, 3 February 1817.

397. Account of work done building Monk Ditch Gout and repairing the sea wall in Goldcliff by Joseph Mitchell by direction of John Seys, 23 December 1817.

Account of bills delivered to Thomas Bold for repairs to the sea wall by Joseph Mitchell, and receipts at sundry times.

Statement of money due to John Seys.

Letter from Thomas Bold, Brecon, 24 December 1817, to the Revd. William Roberts, Eton College, about the accounts and the expenses incurred at Goldcliff.

398. Account of work done on the sea wall in Goldcliff and the chancel of Nash church for Eton College by Joseph Mitchell, 26 December 1818.

Annotated in pencil and ink: adjustment of figures, notes of money paid and balance due.

Endorsed: 9 Nov 1819 Seys Acct Repairs of Sea Walls - and Rec<sup>t</sup>  
Balance acct £106. 2. 8½

JOSEPH MITCHELL AND JOHN SEYS

399. Account of work done to the sea wall in Goldcliff for Eton College by Joseph Mitchell, 1818, addressed to Thomas Bold, esq., Brecon.

Account of money paid and balance due, with receipt from John Seys for balance paid by Bold, 8 November 1819.

400. Account of work done on sea walls in Goldcliff for Eton College by Joseph Mitchell by direction of John Seys to 1 Sept. 1819; sent to Seys at Goldcliff.

Annotated: figures adjusted and note of payment of £50 on 7 April 1819.

401. Receipted account of Joseph Mitchell for work clearing the Old Wing wall of Fishers Gout and rebuilding it, by direction of John Seys, 16 December 1819; settled by Thomas Bold.

Endorsed: 2 Feby 1820 Joseph Mitchell rec<sup>t</sup> £22. 16. 0

402/1, 2. /1. Account of Joseph Mitchell for work done for Eton College, sent to John Seys, Goldcliff, 28 March 1820.

Endorsed: Receipts for £30 paid 30 March 1820 and £30. 6. 6 paid 2 February 1821.

30th March 1820 & 2 Feby 1821 Jos. Mitchells Bill for work etc. £60. 6. 6 £ Rect for £30 on acct.  
also of 30. 6. 6

60. 6. 6

In another hand: quare if the 30. 6. 6 not pd. TB 6 Decr. 1820

/2. Cover addressed to T. Bold and labelled:  
30 March 1820 Jos. Mitchell paid £30 - on account of work done being in part of a Bill of £60. 6. 6 - no receipt taken being on account but the Bill will be again sent the Bursar.

403. Receipted account of Joseph Mitchell for work done for Eton College, 30 January 1821; settled in part on account by Thomas Bold, 16 April 1821.

Endorsed: Apr. 21st 1821 Mitchells Bill

In a different hand: and Rect in part £60 . 0. 0

404/1-4. /1. Account of Joseph Mitchell for repairs to sea walls, 2 February [?1821] (unpaid balance of ECR 64/403), 28 January 1822.

Subscribed: paid on 2d Feby 1822 in part 45: 3: 6  
Remains £76: 11: 6

In a different hand: Receipt for £76. 11<sup>s</sup>. 6<sup>d</sup> paid by Thomas Bold 6 April 1822.

Endorsed: Feby 1822 Mitchells Bill Sea walls etc. £76. 11. 6

/2. Voucher: account of work done at Mr John Milner's of Moorbarn, 16 August 1821, subscribed: This Bill is Correct John Milner

/3. Voucher: account of repairs done to the chancel of Whitson church, 22 Sept. 1821, half of which is due to be paid by Daniel Baker of Magor of behalf of the Bishop of Landaff.

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404/1-4. /4. Receipt from Joseph Mitchell for £45. 3. 6 paid by Thomas Bold on behalf of Eton College, 2 February 1822.

Endorsed: Feby 2d 1822 Mitchell Rect Balance old acct £45: 3: 6

405. Receipted account of Joseph Mitchell for work done for Eton College on the sea walls by orders of D. Williams, 16 August 1822; settled in part by D. Williams, 26 November 1822.

Endorsed: Mr D. Williams Newport (original address)  
rect £44. 11. 5

406/1-3. /1. Account of Joseph Mitchell for work done for Eton College on the sea wall in Goldcliff by direction of David Williams of Newport, 10 December 1823.

Endorsed: Note of money received at various times by Mitchell on account of this bill: December 1823 £60, 2 February 1824 £70.

/2. Receipt for balance of the account, paid 9 April 1824, pinned to ECR 64/406/1.

/3. Receipt for £60 on account, paid by Thomas Bold, 13 December 1823.

407-409. Vouchers in support of Mitchell's accounts:

407. Account of Thomas Williams, 2 July 1823, settled 12 Dec. [1823].

408. Account of George Godwin for sea stakes, 1823; settled 17 November 1823 (receipt sealed on).  
Annotated by Bold, that the sum shown in Mitchell's account is £31 19 though the true sum as shown on this account is £39. 1. 0.

409. Account of Edward Francis for work done to the bucket well at the Hill, July - August 1823; receipt n.d.

410-416. Receipts from John Seys:

410. Receipt from John Seys for £233 paid by Thomas Bold on behalf of Eton College, 9 December 1816; addressed to Charles Morgan, Esq., M.P., Post Office, Cardiff.

411. Letter from John Seys to the Revd. --- [?Bursar, Eton College], acknowledging receipt of £200 on account of work done on the sea walls belonging to Eton College, Goldcliff, 24 December 1816.

412. Letter from John Seys to Thomas Bold, Goldcliff, 22 February 1817: acknowledges his letter and £40 and sends account of work done according to his order. He would be grateful if Bold would send the remainder so that he can discharge the bills now due.

Inside: account of work done by the Lime Kiln in Goldcliff, 7 Feb. 1817.

413. Receipt from John Seys for £130 paid by Thomas Bold on account for repairs to the sea walls at Goldcliff etc., on behalf of Eton College, 23 December 1817.



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410-416. Receipts from John Seys:

414. Letter from John Seys to [?Thomas Bold], reporting progress on the wall and asking for money to enable him to discharge bills, Goldcliff, 19 June 1818.

Endorsed: Receipt from Joseph Mitchell for £100 paid by Bold on behalf of Eton College, 20 June 1818.

415. Receipt from John Seys for £60 on account paid by Thomas Bold on behalf of Eton College, 2 February 1819, for repairs to sea walls, Nash chancel etc.

416. Receipted account of Jacob Nicholas for glazing work done at Nash chancel, 29 January 1819; receipt from John Seys of Thomas Bold, n.d.

417. Letter from Joseph Mitchell to [?Thomas Bold]: on receipt of his orders through Mr Taylor he inspected the damage done by the recent storm to the roofs of the house, barn and stall house; repairs will have to be done next summer, but temporary measures must be taken to protect the inside; Nash church also needs attention. Goldcliff, 8 December 1823.

CORRESPONDENCE

CORRESPONDENCE IN SUIT BETWEEN SIR WILLIAM MORGAN AND GEORGE AP MORGAN AND THE PROVOST OF ETON COLLEGE.

418. Copy of a letter from Provost Roger Lupton to Sir William Morgan, Chepstow, 23 April, no year [the letter mentions Wednesday 26 April, which narrows the possible years to 1508, 1514, 1525 and 1531. 1525 seems probable].

Concerns the seizure by Morgan's brother, George ap Morgan, of Durantsfield; Provost asks Morgan to influence his brother to give up possession of the land and to appear at the court at Goldcliff on 26 April to show his title.

Subscribed in the same hand: This is the Copy of Sir William Morgan letter which was wryten in the presens of Watkyn Herbert, Thomas Herbert the younger, (?) Turner & Philypp Williams.

Subscribed in angular early 18th century hand found on many legal documents: concerning Durwents field seised violently by George Morgan.

Endorsed: to Sir William Morgan

See Appendix II for transcript

419. Copy of a letter from Mr Compton to Sir William Morgan, Windsor, 9 December, no year.

Compton reminds Morgan of their recent meeting when he agreed to meet the Provost's demand and permit his officer to hold the court and receive the rents. The Provost tells Compton that Morgan has not kept this promise and has prevented his officer from receiving the rent. If Morgan keeps his promise, the Provost will remit his arrearages and pay him an annual fee of 40s.

Endorsed: The copy of Master Compton lettre to Sir W. Morgan

See Appendix II for transcript

420. Letter from Sir William Morgan to the Provost of Eton College, n.d.

The Chancellor to the Princess has shown him a bill containing the Provost's demand which he is willing to perform in every point. He asks the Provost to show Master Compton his assurance that he will carry out his promise.

Endorsed by Morgan: to the Ryghte Wurshipfull Mayster Provoste of Eton

Endorsed in a later hand: Sr W. Morgans answer to ye Provost

See Appendix II for transcript

CORRESPONDENCE IN SIR WILLIAM MORGAN AND GEORGE AP MORGAN v THE  
PROVOST OF ETON COLLEGE:

421. Copy of a letter from the Provost to Sir William Morgan,  
Eton, 14 July, no year [?after March 1526]

He complains that Morgan has caused the water to be turned from the Provost's mill at Milton, and that he is claiming a fishing that belongs to the College. He asks Morgan to allow Eton to enjoy its rights and to allow the water to reach the mill as the Princess's Council commanded him to do. He reminds Morgan that the College pays him 40s a year to be favourable to them, and has joined his son and heir with him.

Endorsed: A letter from Master Provoust to Sir William Morgan

See Appendix II for transcript

422. Letter from William Myll' [William Mill, clerk of Star Chamber] to Dr Lupton, Provost of Eton College, Star Chamber, 12 July, no year.

Sir William Morgan and his brother George were that day bound to stand to the order taken for Lupton.

Address endorsed: To the right worshipfull Master Doctor Lupton Provost of Eton.

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423. Letter from Thomas Martyn, coroner of Goldcliff, to the Provost of Eton College, n.d.

Asks the Provost to send a privy seal for Harry ap Richard, son and executor of John ap Richard, and Nicholas Wylkyn, his surety, to prevent their bringing Martyn before the Council of the Princess in the Marches and further delaying payment of rents and duties owing on the tithing barn of Nash at the death of John ap Richard.

Address endorsed in same hand as letter: To the right honourable Maister Provost of the Coleige of Eton

Endorsed in angular 18th century hand: From T. Martyn Coroner of Goldcliff

dues from ye tything barn of Nash & Cuare, = behind upon a death

See Appendix II for transcript

424. Letter from W[illiam, Earl of] Worcester to the Provost of Eton, Raglan, 6 October 1562.

If he and his officers do not receive the 15 years' arrears of beans owing to them, he will be forced to sue the College.

Address endorsed: To the right Worshipfull the Provoste of Etonne Colledge nere Windesore

See Appendix II for transcript

425. Letter from Thomas Hillarey, dwelling in Great St Bartholomews near Smithfield, [London], auditor to the Earl of Worcester, to Provost Daye [William Day, Provost 1561-95] of Eton College, June 1563.

If the Provost does not pay the arrears of beans or give good answer to him, the Earl will sue him. The beans are due in return for the right of cutting fuel in the Earl's forest of Netherwent and 60 acres held of him in Chepstow, and they were paid up to 1 Edward VI.

Address endorsed: To the right Worshipfull Master Doctor Daye Provost of Eton Colledg thes with spede

Endorsed in angular 18th century hand: Hilarye (deleted): Worcester Goldclyffe Morgan E. of Worcesters demand of 23 Bush of beans for liberty of cutting wood in his forest & 60 acres held of him in Chepstow at 10s per an.

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CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING RIGHT OF PRESENTATION TO WHITSON VICARAGE

426. Newport, 14 July 1713.

Revd. Francis Pettingall to Revd. Dr Weston: he has sent a messenger to Hereford to have a Caveat entered on his behalf, with Mr Hanson's letter. He hears that there is a plan to deprive him of Christchurch if he obtains Whitson. He wishes either to hold Newport with the other two churches by dispensation from the Archbishop, or that Whitson should be put into other hands.

Endorsed: From Mr Pettingall July 1713 with Dr Weston's Answer

427. Oxford, 16 July [1713].

Laurence Lord to Dr Weston: Mr Pettingall is not instituted to Whitson, and the Bishop has promised not to insist on the lapse. Dr Barber, a Prebendary of Llandaff and Fellow of Trinity College, Oxford, has also got a presentation to Whitson vicarage from the Chapter of Llandaff, and promises to get an instrument signed by the Chapter that the next presentation is in the College if they approve his taking institution now.

428. Hereford, 18 July 1713.

Bishop of Llandaff [John Tyler] to Dr Godolphin, Provost of Eton College: he will use his best endeavours to find where right lies in the dispute between Eton and the Chapter of Llandaff over the right of presentation to the vicarage of Whitson; meanwhile he will not grant institution until both sides have been heard and one side waives the right to present this turn.

Endorsed: 18 a Dispute of Patronage of Widston between EC & Chapter Llandaff



CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING RIGHT OF PRESENTATION TO WHITSON VICARAGE

429. Eton College, 20 July 1713

Revd. Stephen Weston to [?Mr Pettingall]: the Provost is away and his propositions cannot yet be considered, but he thinks it unlikely that [Pettingall] will be allowed to hold Newport, Whitson and Christchurch by the College. Even if the College agreed, the Bishop's dispensation would be needed. The College would not wish to separate Whitson from Christchurch. Asks him to tell Mr Lord in reply to ECR 64/427 that the College ought not to give way to the Chapter of Llandaff, however worthy Mr Barber.

430. Newport, 21 July 1713.

Revd. Francis Pettingall to John Hanson, Registrar of Eton College: he has received a letter from the Bishop of Llandaff to the effect that he had been asked by the Provost not to institute before the College has set forth its title of patronage to Whitson, and both sides been allowed time to dispute their right; he will grant a Jus Patronatus when demanded.

431. Newport, 26 July 1713.

Revd. Francis Pettingall to Revd. Dr Weston, Eton College: he wishes either to hold Newport and the other two livings if a dispensation can be obtained, or to be permitted to drop Whitson.

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CORRESPONDENCE OF HENRY MORGAN, TENANT OF MANORS OF GOLDCLIFF,  
NASH AND COLDRA

432. St Dyals [St Dial's], 16 November 1744.

Henry Morgan to the Revd. Dr Burton, Eton College: a terrier of the estate is being prepared and will be sent as soon as possible, together with the best account he can get of the sea walls, pills, ditches etc. which the College estate is liable for. Cost of repairing the sea walls is continual but unpredictable. If the College will make him a reasonable allowance, he will not cut down timber in the Priors wood. He has Mourbon farm in his own hands this year and does not expect to make a quarter of the rent. He will send £100 before Christmas but the College will have to wait for the residue.

Torn in two pieces.

433. N.d. (either predates ECR 64/432 or was put forward between 16 November and 16 December 1744).

Memorandum of Mr Morgan's proposals concerning the College estate: if the College will make allowances, he is prepared to renew his lease for a further 7 years [lease for 20 years, 24 Dec. 1725, ECR 42/28, would have been due for renewal in 1745].

CORRESPONDENCE OF HENRY MORGAN, TENANT OF MANORS OF GOLDCLIFF,  
NASH AND COLDRA

434. St Dial's, 16 December 1744.

Henry Morgan to the Revd. Dr Sleech, Eton College: he can make no other offer to the College than the proposal he has put to them. The terrier shall be sent as soon as possible. If the College will allow him £100 he will let the wood stand, otherwise he will be obliged to cut it soon after Christmas. Will not make the rent next year without help for the tithes will be worth very little.

435. 6 January 1744 [1744/5].

Henry Morgan to unnamed Fellow of Eton: he agrees to leave the appraisal of the coppice wood to 2 indifferent persons provided the matter is settled and the money allowed him in his next rent; he suggests Mr Lord as suitable.

436. 25 January 1744 [1744/5].

Henry Morgan to unnamed Fellow of Eton: the terrier has been sent. He wishes for an answer about the wood as soon as possible.

437. St Dial's, 23 July 1745.

Henry Morgan to the Revd. Dr Berriman, Eton College: he is preparing to repair the chancel at Nash. He hopes to see Dr Berriman and his friends at his house soon.

438. 30 December 1746.

Henry Morgan to ?: he has always paid the rent but has recently lost by his bargain. It cost him £20 to repair the chancel at Christchurch which was not his responsibility, about £30 in making a new gout at Goldcliff which was not allowed him, nor was he allowed other losses; therefore he had hoped not to hear about repairs to the sea walls. They were left in good repair; report has greatly exaggerated matters. If the College insists, he will agree to name an appraiser, and the College another, and will submit to what they judge reasonable.

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439. Newport, 14 July 1747.

Jo. Pettingal to Dr William Berriman, Eton College: he might be prepared to lease the great tithes of his parish of Christchurch if they are still untenanted.

Facing: Eton College, 20 July 1747.

Reply from Dr Berriman: he should treat direct with Mr Littleton, the College agent.

440. Eton College, 16 February 1747 [1747/8].  
Thomas Sturges (Fellow of Eton from 1746) to Dr Berriman: Mr Van is wrong in uniting rents in order to be taxed, and Mr Williams is therefore not to receive the money until enquiry has been made. He sends a rent roll that may be of use. If the reeve of Goldcliff persists in refusing to pay the arrears for 1746, Mr Williams is to sue him in the College's name. He has received the fine for Stogursey and needs only the name of the lessee of Cogges rectory to close the account for the year.

441. Eton College, 4 March 1747 [1747/8].  
Thomas Sturges to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street, London: Mr Brookland undertook to take Dr Berriman an account of the audit but has not yet been to London. Berriman's share of fines is £551 Os. 2½d. Details of other payments. The Provost is to act in the Goldcliff affair, on the advice of Counsel.

442. Goldcliff, 13 December 1752.  
Charles Tamplin, tenant of the Hill farm and Moorbarn farm, to Dr Sleech, Provost of Eton College: he complains of Littleton's delay in passing his accounts and allowing him to pay his rents. If he does not receive better treatment, the College can look elsewhere for a tenant. Postscript reminding the College that he was promised a patent for his being toll-free.

443. Wilcrick, 24 January 1755.  
John Edwards, bailiff to Eton College, to the Revd. Mr Cooke, Eton College: the copy of Tamplin's account [?formerly enclosed] seems just. He cannot pay other bills without further instructions.

444. Wilcrick, 15 March 1755.  
John Edwards to the Revd. Mr Cooke: he would have replied sooner but was unable to get from Mr Littleton the papers relating to tithes and writs, and other accounts belonging to the College. Tamplin says he will wait upon the College in person to present his accounts; details of other bills presented.

Endorsed: To inquire into the Contents of this Letter

Torn along a fold

445. Wilcrick, 17 May 1755.  
John Edwards to the Revd. Mr Cooke: he fears his previous letter must have gone astray, and creditors are unsatisfied because he has no authority to pay their bills. One of the College gouts has been presented at the Court of Sewers for enlargement, and Edwards thinks other landowners should pay towards the work. The Commissioners have been taking a view of the gouts by the mill which let Monk ditch pill water into the sea; if the College does not rebuild the mill, one gout should suffice. He asks for instructions since both gouts need repair. A barn at Murbourn would be useful to house tithes paid in kind.

446. Piercefield near Chepstow, 2 May 1755.  
Valentine Morris to the Bursar, Eton College: he wishes to know the terms on which the College is prepared to let the Goldcliff estate.

447. Queen Street, Westminster, 25 June 1755.  
Charles Van to Dr Sleech, Eton College: he acknowledges particulars of Goldcliff and will soon present his proposals to take it for a year, after which both parties can ascertain the value more justly.

448. Queen Street, Westminster, 1 July 1755.  
Charles Van to Dr Sleech: he wants a decision about his proposals about the lease of Goldcliff since he leaves town on Monday.

CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT MR SKINNER'S CLAIM TO TITHES OF PRIOR'S WOOD

449. Sackville Street, St James's, 26 February 1765.  
The Revd. Thomas Skinner (vicar of Christchurch) to Charles Van, Llanwern, near Newport: the Bishop considers Van's proposal for an exchange of lands fair, and Skinner himself consents, but the College must also consent since church lands may not be alienated by a single life-holder. He is advised to make his demand for the tithes of Prior's wood in the Court of Llandaff and to put the College upon showing their exemption.

Endorsed: Mr Skinner, Prior's Wood Goldcliff - 65

450. Llanwern, 28 September 1765.  
Charles Van to unnamed Fellow of Eton: he has been served with a citation from the Ecclesiastical Court of Llandaff to answer the complaint of Mr Skinner for subtraction of tithes due on Priory woods, which Van holds of the College. No tithe has ever been payable because the woods belonged to Goldcliff Priory. He hopes the College will indemnify him if he defends it, since otherwise he would prefer to pay the tithes than incur expenses of a law suit. PS. He is preparing a new survey of Goldcliff preparatory to treating for a new lease.

Endorsed: Mr Van Tithes of Prior's Wood Sept<sup>r</sup> - 65

451. Cowbridge, 13 December 1765.  
Thomas Lewis to George Kemeys, attorney at law, Newport: he sends an extract out of the Consistory Court of Llandaff setting out the libel of the Revd. Thomas Skinner, clerk, vicar of the vicarage and parish church of Christchurch, against Charles Van of Llanwern, esq., concerning tithes. The next step is that the adverse proctor will take out a decree in order to serve the defendant to give his answers upon oath, but that will not be soon.

Endorsed: Skynner's Libel Tithes of Prior's Wood

452. N.d. [?1766].  
Memorandum of facts relative to Christchurch vicarage and the vicar's right to receive tithes of Prior's and Coppice woods, submitted by Mr Skinner for consideration of the Provost, Vice Provost and Fellows of Eton College.

Endorsed: Mr Skinner's Representation Right of Tithes of Priors Wood in Goldcliff - 66



CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT MR SKINNER'S CLAIM TO TITHES OF PRIOR'S WOOD

453. Llanwern, 9 January 1766.

Charles Van to Stephen Hawtrey, Registrar of Eton College: he has sent the state of his account with the College to Michaelmas 1764 and Mr Skinner's process against him in the court at Llandaff. He will pay the tithes rather than engage in an expensive law suit, and desires to know the College's decision about whether they will defend their property or not.

Endorsed: Van. Jany - 66 Tithes of Prior's Wood

454. Llanwern, 30 January 1766.

Charles Van to [?Stephen Hawtrey]: he encloses a letter from his proctor (ECR 64/455) and requires a speedy answer whether the College will allow him the costs of a suit. If not, he will pay the tithes.

Endorsed: Van & Skinner. Jany - 66

455. Cowbridge, 26 January 1766.

Enclosure with ECR 64/454: Thomas Lewis to George Kemeys, attorney at law, Newport, in Skinner v. Van: he needs immediate instructions to enable him to draw up the defendant's answers in compliance with a decree from the adverse proctor.

456. Kemeys, 17 June 1771.

Allen Lord to the Revd. Mr Skinner at Caerleon: he recollects as a boy being brought into Monmouthshire by his father and meeting the then vicar of Christchurch, Mr Pettingall. His father paid Pettingall 5 guineas for tithes of Prior's wood because the College had ruled that it was the vicar's due. This was about 1724 or 1725.

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457. Llanwern, 31 January 1775.

Charles Van to the Revd. Edward Betham, Bursar of Eton College: he welcomes the news that an agent is to view the Monmouthshire estate; if he comes next summer after Parliament rises, Van will give him every assistance.

Inside: draft reply by Betham: the College would like Van to send names of tenants of various properties and his own agent so that Mr Palmer will know whom to contact. Palmer cannot name a time for his visit to Goldcliff but it will probably be before the rising.

458. Marybone Street, St James's, 16 March 1775.

A. Skinner to the Revd. Edward Betham, Fellow of Eton College: his father [? the Revd. Thomas Skinner] is ill and cannot meet Mr Palmer at Goldcliff. He recommends Palmer to ask for Mr Evan Evans, curate of Christchurch, at Caerleon: he knows the country well. Otherwise his father's agent, Mr William Jenkins, will help.



466. Horse Guards, 6 December 1779.

Charles Gould to Dr Roberts: he will call at Messrs Hoare's and discharge the year's rent. He wrote in consequence of the request of the Deputy Registrar about a survey or terrier and the copies of court rolls, which are being prepared. The land steward says he knows nothing of stones taken from the Cliff by unauthorised people. Those taken by neighbouring parishes for repair of the highways are claimed as of right.

467. Treleg [Trelleck] near Monmouth, 15 December 1788.

James Hodges to the Provost and Fellows of Eton College: he has incurred expenses in the upkeep of the sea walls and hopes the College will reimburse him.

468. Trelleck, 3 January 1788 [r. 1789 as postmark]

James Hodges to Edward Tew [Fellow of Eton 1781-1818]: he acknowledges a draft for £20 18s. and feels sure the Society will allow his extra expense for the stone.

469. St Albans, 5 November 1794.

J.W. Cowper to the Revd. Dr Langford, Eton College [?William Langford - was a master from 1775 but only elected a Fellow in 1803]: he has been applied to by Mrs Jane Ruding of Great Russell Street, Bloomsbury Square, who claims to be entitled to a small copyhold estate in Goldcliff as daughter of William Hill Evans. If the facts he states concerning the Evans family and the estate are correct, he asks the Provost and Fellows to direct their agent to furnish Mrs Ruding with an account of receipts and disbursements since they took possession so that she may discharge the balance if in their favour, and take admission.

470. Llanwern, 3 January 1799.

Sir Robert Salusbury to ?: he will settle arrears of rent. He wishes to know whether there is a survey or information about the custom of the manor of Coldra with regard to descent of property to females; the steward has nothing to go by in a case which has occurred.

471. The Temple, 23 April 1807.

Messrs Debary & Cope to Mr Brown, Windsor, as solicitor or steward to Eton College: they wish to be informed who is farmer of the manor of Goldcliff and whether it is held for life or term of years. They understand that Sir Robert Salusbury is the present lessee in the right of his wife (daughter of Charles Van), and need to know because they are involved in a question about enfranchisement of copyhold lands.

Annotated: An[swere]d 27th WR [William Roberts]

In pencil: 20 years from LD 1788

472. Cambridge, 7 August 1818.

Herbert [Marsh], Bishop of Llandaff, to Dr Goodall, Provost of Eton College: a survey has shown that Nash chancel needs repair. He asks the College to instruct tenant to pave the chancel and repair roof. 10 August 1818: Dr J. Goodall to [?William Roberts, Vice Provost]: the substance of the bishop's letter must be sent to their lessee. Sends his regards to his daughter [Roberts's wife] and grandchildren.

CORRESPONDENCE OF WESTCOT LITTLETON, AGENT TO ETON COLLEGE FOR  
THE MONMOUTHSHIRE ESTATES, 1744-1754

473. Shirenewton, 18 October 1744.

Westcot Littleton to the Revd. [John Burton, Fellow of Eton 1733-71]: hopes this letter will find the recipient, Sister Burton and Cousin Kitty returned to Mapledurham [Dr Burton married the widow of Edward Littleton, KS 1712/13, rector of Mapledurham, d.1733; Westcot Littleton may have been a non-Etonian brother or cousin of Edward Littleton]; wishes to know how the Monmouthshire purchases please him. He could get nothing abated of the £4 for the grey horse. He has retrieved the paper Burton left at Newport. He has heard something of interest about a fishery on the Usk belonging to the College. Some trees are ready for felling.

474. Shirenewton, 30 November 1744.

Littleton to Burton: Morgan says the terrier is nearly ready. It is uncertain whether he will renew his lease. If not, the College might do better to let the estate piecemeal. Morgan will leave the wood provided the College allows him £100 for it (see ECR 64/432-438). He missed the business concerning the College walls at the recent Commission of Sewers meeting, but Morgan was told the repairs on the sea walls about the mill were inadequate. Recommends a survey of the estate if Morgan does not renew if the College is to get the cost of repairs from him before his lease expires. Hopes Burton received his letter (ECR 64/473).

475. Shirenewton, 8 December 1744.

Littleton to the Revd. [Stephen] Sleech [Fellow 1730-46, Provost 1746-65]: reports on the state of the College woods, and sends opinion of Mr Kemeys of Newport of the case of Coppice wood and the right of the tenant to cut timber. Mr Kemeys is a possible tenant; his father was steward as William Williams is now to Mr Morgan. Williams's clerk says the terrier is nearly ready. Mr White of Abbey Tintern, master of a forge, who buys most of the timber in this side of Monmouthshire, says Morgan should have allowance if he forbears to cut the wood.

Opinion of Mr Kemeys.

476. Shirenewton, 23 March 1744/5.

Littleton to Burton: will try to make good the deficiencies of Morgan's terrier. The walnut tree appears to belong to the College. £150 damage upon the College's sea walls was presented by the jury at a recent Court of Sewers. Mr Van seems inclined to recommend a higher sum to be allowed to Morgan for the last cutting of the woods than the College would agree to. His anticipated troubles in re-letting the estate.

477. Shirenewton, 27 June 1745.

Littleton to Burton: encloses as complete a terrier as he can of income from the College manor, with a detailed report on various properties, Nash chancel, sea walls. The ring ditches will need casting before the farms can be let. Valuation of cottages in Goldcliff manor and Christchurch parish, chief rents of Goldcliff and Coldra, perquisites of court, profits of steward from courts, miller of Goldcliff.



CORRESPONDENCE OF WESTCOT LITTLETON

478. Chepstow, 27 August 1745.

Littleton to Burton: Dr Williams is not prepared to take a lease of the estate. Hopes Dr Burton, Dr Berriman and Mr Brookland got home safely.

479. Shirenewton, 18 September 1745.

Littleton to Dr Berriman\*: he is experiencing great difficulty in letting the College farms. Dispute about ownership of the dresser in the kitchen at the Hill which Littleton believes to be College property. He asks the recipient or Dr Burton to write to Mr Van desiring him to put an expeditor on the sea walls through which the College property suffers damage.

\* ECR 64/480 refers to a reply to Dr Berriman's letter of 6th instant, to which this letter must be a reply.

480. Shirenewton, 27 September 1745.

Littleton to Dr Sleech\*: he reports the terms offered by a possible tenant and does not know how to advise the College. The sum offered is all the farms are worth at present, but if the sea walls were repaired they should be worth considerably more. He gave Mr Morgan an account of the sea walls presented and desired him to repair them. He hopes to settle the bounds of the orchard at Chepstow which appears to be part of the College's demesne land in the manor of Goldcliff. Mr Van will give nothing towards the demolition of the mill.

\* ECR 64/481 to Dr Sleech refers to Littleton's previous letter of 27 September.

481. Shirenewton, 4 October 1745.

Littleton to Sleech: he offers himself as tenant of the Hill farm and fishery on conditions specified. Has made arrangements for someone to look after Hill and Morbourn farms while they are untenanted. A heriot is due, but whether to the College or to Mr Morgan who claims it, he is uncertain. A jury has been appointed to settle the bounds of the orchard. Tamplin's offer for the farms for 7 years.

482. Usk, 18 October 1745.

Littleton to Dr Burton, Mapledurham: he has been unable to obtain the cattle. Presentments at the Court of Sewers included some things belonging to the College. The jury have done what they could towards settling the bounds of the orchard.

483. Monmouth, 11 November 1745.

Littleton to Dr Sleech: Tamplin's proposals for leasing the two farms (Hill farm, Goldcliff and Murbourn farm, Nash); dispute with Mr Morgan whether the fine paid is due upon the death of a tenant or upon admittance of his heir. Has received an offer from a Newport mason for use of the College's kiln.

CORRESPONDENCE OF WESTCOT LITTLETON

484. Shirenewton, 20 November 1745.

Littleton to Dr Sleech: sends the verdict of the jury about the bounds of the orchard at Chepstow. He has received offers to lease it. Has obtained a copy of presentments for the past 6 years of College property before the Court of Sewers, but has not yet checked which have been repaired; two breaches in the sea wall urgently need repair.

485. Shirenewton, 26 November 1745; Chepstow, 2, 3 December 1745. Littleton to Dr Burton: sends copy of estimate of repairs needed at the Hill House in Goldcliff, viewed and valued by Philip Hardwick, carpenter, Bristol, 18 November 1745.

486. Chepstow, 3 December 1745

Littleton to Dr Sleech: sends part of the estimates for repairs and has sent another sheet to Dr Burton (see ECR 64/485). He will have the rest of the repairs valued next week. Would a windmill be cheaper than the present water mill, which could be converted into a tithe barn?

487. Estimate of repairs, probably formerly enclosed with ECR 64/486:

Estimate of the charge of making the inside tackle of the mill at Goldcliff, made by Christopher Howels of Shirenewton, millwright, 2 December 1745.

Estimate of ditches which need to be cast on Hill Farm, Goldcliff, measured and valued by Lewis Thomas Miller of Goldcliff, 27 November 1745.

Estimate of ditches which need to be cast on Murbourn Farm in Nash, measured and valued by Evan Thomas of Nash, 29 November 1745.

Estimate of repairs to the Green Sea Wall in Curbeehynd, measured and valued by Lewis Thomas Miller, 27 November 1745.

Estimate of making Cross Hays at the east end of the College wall to preserve the wall and save the stones, estimated by Lewis Thomas Miller.

488. Chepstow, 12 December 1745.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech: sends another part of the estimates for repairs on the College estate. Tamplin failed to meet him to settle about the farms.

489. Estimates sent by Littleton to Dr Sleech:

Estimate of cost of millwright and carpentry work needed at Goldcliff mill, made by Richard Watkins, millwright and carpenter of Basilegg [Bassaleg] near Newport, 9 December 1745.

Estimate of repairs wanting at the Hill Farm.

Estimate of charge of masons' work at Goldcliff mill, sea walls, gouts and other walls belonging to Eton College in Goldcliff, made by Edward Hopkin, mason, of St Bride near Newport, 10 December 1745.

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490. Chepstow, 20 December 1745.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech: sends remaining estimate for repairs needed on manor of Goldcliff and Coldra, made 19 December 1745. The farms are still unlet and Tamplin is ill.

491/1-4. Estimates submitted by Littleton, 4 folded sheets sewn to form a book of 14 pages (one sheet torn out); used pages numbered 1-7:

/1. Estimate of repairs of mason's work necessary about Goldcliff Mill and sea walls and gouts and other walls belonging to Eton College at Michaelmas 1745 (page 1);

estimate of repairs of millwright's work at Goldcliff Mill wanting at Michaelmas 1745 (page 2).

/2. Mason's work estimated on the College estate, 1745 (continued from /1) (page 3).

/3. Ditches upon the Hill Farm in Goldcliff wanting to be cast at Michaelmas 1745 (page 4);

ditches wanting to be cast upon Murbourn Farm in the parish of Nash at Michaelmas 1745 (page 4);

half ditch wanting to be cast on Murbourn Farm at Michaelmas 1745 (page 5);

sea walls belonging to the College and out of repair at Michaelmas 1745 (page 5).

/4. An account of cash paid for repairs made on the College estate chargeable to Mr Morgan (pages 6-7).

Things presented but not charged; summary of costs (totals from pages 1-5, 6, 7) totalling £137. 15. 8. Final total £214. 0. 2 (page 7).

Endorsed: Littletons Papers relating to Goldcliff delivered by his Son 1755 with Edwards Letters & Terrers

492. Chepstow, 21 January 1745/6.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech: he hopes to let the farms to Tamplin that evening.

493. Chepstow, 24 January 1745/6.

Littleton to [?Dr Sleech?]\*: he transcribes a copy of the lease made between him as agent for Eton College and Charles Tamplin, farmer, of Lanvair [Llanfair], Monmouthshire, of the Hill Farm in Goldcliff and Murbourn Farm in Nash, with the fishery belonging, for 7 years for £115 p.a., timber and lime kiln reserved. The dispute over the bounds of the orchard and ownership of the walnut tree continues. Mr Davies insists that the tree is his by virtue of his contract with Dr Williams.

Torn.

\* ECR 64/496 mentions that the bargain with Tamplin had been sent to Dr Sleech some weeks earlier; it therefore seems probable that this letter was to Sleech.

CORRESPONDENCE OF WESTCOT LITTLETON

494. Shirenewton, 31 January 1745/6.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech: he appealed unsuccessfully against the land tax rated upon the College for the tithes and grist mill at Goldcliff. He obtained only £5 for the walnut tree which has been felled but not yet carried off. Williams refuses to give him possession of the orchard, and he wants instructions how to proceed.

SEE ECR 64/113 for Littleton to [?the Bursar?] concerning the orchard at Chepstow, 1 February 1745/6.

495. 20 February 1745/6.

Verdict of a jury impanelled to determine the bounds of the orchards belonging to Francis Davies, formerly to Thomas Williams, and Eton College: the jury decided that the walnut tree was in Davies's orchard.

Endorsed in bold hand in black ink: 13

496. Chepstow, 5 March 1745/6.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: he will be glad to let the tithes when the time comes. Morgan's reply about repairs. He sent Dr Sleech an account of the bargain he made with Tamplin. The greater part of Monk-ditch pill is to be presented at the Court of Sewers, beginning at the College end. Davies threatened Hardwick for felling the walnut tree, and Hardwick asked to be indemnified. Another jury is to be called to determine the bounds of the orchards.

497. Chepstow, 26 March 1746.

Littleton to Dr Sleech: sends an account of things presented at the Court of Sewers held at Newport, 10 March 1746, in which the College is concerned. Tamplin requires repairs to the house and buildings, and money will be needed for materials and land tax. Sends offers from various people to lease the orchard, and asks for a decision.

498. Chepstow, 31 May 1746.

Littleton to Dr Sleech: has let the orchard to Edward Davies of Chepstow, apothecary, for £50 p.a. Morgan has paid him no more, and he needs cash for work in hand. Tamplin complains of people fishing without authority in the fishery he rents of the College. He would need the court rolls to give an adequate answer about heriots. Regrets death of the Provost [Henry Bland].



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499. Shirenewton, 20 June 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: Morgan has paid 40 guineas on the College account. Hardwick threatens to sue him for the money paid for the walnut tree. Morgan seems unwilling to allow the College the money adjudged for the wood towards the repairs. Mr Van wants the College to rebuild Broadway Bridge near Goldcliff church, but Littleton can see no need; if complied with, it would lead to a presentment to rebuild the sea gout below the bridge. He has told the College woodward, Thomas Griffiths, to get a dormant warrant, i.e. a warrant of search for a year, because he complains of people stealing wood, but Littleton fears that he himself is one of the trespassers. He wishes Mr Sleech joy of the Provostship.

500. Shirenewton, 24 July 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: Morgan refuses to pay anything towards repairs. Hopes to let the tithes next week. The Land Tax Commissioners refused to lower the rate for Goldcliff but might do so next year if the mill were demolished; at Nash they deducted half the sum charged for tithes. He presses for a decision about the mill.

501. Shirenewton, 29 August 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: he sends an account of the tithes which are poor. It appears that there is a right of common on the Green Moors belonging to the Hill Farm according to a judgment in Chancery of 42 Elizabeth, 1600, which decided that the inhabitants of Goldcliff had the privilege.

502. Ludlow, 21 September 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: he has been served a writ from King's Bench at the suit of Hardwick in a plea of trespass, and has therefore tried to end the dispute with Davies over the walnut tree, but the arbitrators chosen by them failed to agree. He was misinformed about the Green Moors. The buildings at the Hill are nearly finished but his resources will not be adequate to meet all the expenses due shortly.

503. Chepstow, 2 October, year torn away [1746]

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: encloses his accounts and a copy of Tamplin's which was allowed in his last rent (not found). Reports negotiations with Morgan about payment to the College for repairs.

Fragile, torn in two pieces.

504. Chepstow, 17 October 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: he had hoped to settle the dispute about the tree but Davies is away. Morgan says he has remitted money to the College by bill. He proposes to read the estimates of repairs to Morgan and to take his answer in writing so that the College may judge, since Morgan has refused standing to Littleton's arbitration.

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505. Chepstow, 30 October 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: he has arranged for Morgan to see the estimates of repairs and awaits his comments in writing. He paid Hardwick 5 guineas and 14s. for the writ to avoid a law suit over the tree. He would be glad of an order on Tamplin or William Williams for cash to pay the workmen. Details about land tax.

506. Shirenewton, 22 November 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: acknowledges a bill on Mr Williams. Morgan has still not delivered his objections to the estimates for repairs. Cost of repairing the mill can be seen from the estimates, but he does not know what rent Tamplin would offer.

507. Shirenewton, 20 December 1746.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: sends first part of his account (not found). Recommends the erection of a little house near the College lime kiln to store lime when burnt. Mrs Tamplin has kept some rent to have her dairy paved. Tamplin will not say what rent he would offer for the mill until it is built. No answer from Morgan about repairs.

Endorsed: Dec. 23 for this was pd. 1s. 9d. but being opend before the Postman he saw it was no more than a double Letter but sd he cou'd not take less and we must send it to London for Redress.

508. Shirenewton, 19 February 1746/7.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: the highway by Murbourn has been repaired and a new door made for Julian House gout by an expeditor at College expense. Littleton does not believe that they belong to the College but the only way of avoiding payment is by traversing the presentment when a jury might do the College justice. But it would be hazardous and expensive. The reeve has had difficulty in collecting the chief rents.

509. Chepstow, 2 May 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: the Court of Sewers reduced one charge on the College but the door to Julian House gout remains a charge. Tamplin's rent still outstanding, and Morgan has taken no notice of the letter about repairs that Berriman sent, and refused to accompany Littleton to fix a day for arbitration with Mr Van. The reeve needs fuller instructions about chief rents.

510. Shirenewton, 6 June 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: has given the reeve instructions about chief rents. Morgan remains evasive about repairs and Tamplin promises his rent next week. Commissioners of Sewers propose to inspect the Moors, and this may result in the College being required to do work that may not be its responsibility. State of the woods. He will be obliged if Dr Berriman can help to get his son on the Foundation.

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511/1, 2. /1. Shirenewton, 8 August 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: he wrote to Morgan about the repairs and received a reply (enclosed) from his nephew. Tithes of Christchurch will come to c.£7; tithes of Goldcliff, Nash and Whitson should be better than last year. Tamplin has paid his rent.

/2. Caerleon, 3 August 1747.

Henry Morgan to Littleton: his uncle is ill but hopes to send a satisfactory answer to the demands made by Eton by the next Commission of Sewers.

ECR 64/511/1 endorsed: 17 Collection of Letters & Papers etc - old Bills etc.

512. Shirenewton, 10 September 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: formerly enclosing an account of tithes.

513. Caerleon, 22 September 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: has arranged to meet Morgan on 28th at Mr Van's house. The reeve has promised to pay about £50 chief rents to Mr Williams.

514. Chepstow, 14 October 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman, Leadenhall Street: his letter about the settlement with Tamplin about repairs was sent to Eton.

515. Shirenewton, 19 December 1747.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: the reeve has promised to pay arrears of chief rents. Morgan's repairs. Mr Van and others are concerned that Tamplin has let the fishery on the Severn to a man called Gilbert who deprives others of fish by his boats and large nets. Sends a doubtful case of heriot. The charge of the College's share of casting Chapel reen and scouring it and Monk ditch pill.

Endorsed: 18 Letters & Papers con<sup>g</sup> Goldcliffe: of little use, but to shew that the College towards 1740 etc. were very much plagued, partly by Tenants, & partly by holding the Estate in their own hands.

Fragile: torn and part missing.

516. Chepstow, 27 February 1747/8.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: is awaiting an answer about the cost of casting the reen for which Van claims payment. Has been in Shropshire because of his brother's death. Dispute with Morgan is over, and he has given Morgan permission to take stones to repair the sea wall.

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517. Shirenewton, 26 May 1748.

Littleton to Dr William Berriman: sends the presentments of the jury at the last Court of Sewers as far as they relate to Eton (?ECR 64/518); he recommends traversing the presentment relating to Julian House gout because he does not believe it is the College's duty to enlarge it. The mill is ruinous. He was unable to give information in the fishery dispute.

Letters from Dr Berriman written on blank page:

Eton College, 13 July 1748: he regrets the prospect of more expense but Williams says the work is usually overrated so the cost may prove lower than the estimate. Tamplin's accounts: he thought repairs had been allowed in his last account and did not expect a recurrence. It would be better to sell the materials than turn the mill into a barn. The fishery dispute must be settled by custom and known bounds.

Eton College, 21 September 1748: Tamplin must be pressed for his rent.

518. An account of things presented by the jury at the Court of Sewers held at Newport, 14 March 1747 [1747/8] to be repaired by Eton College (?enclosure with ECR 64/517).

519. N.d. [?October 1750]

Part of a letter from Littleton asking for a directive so that he can answer a letter from Thomas Milward of 30 September 1750 offering to lease the College property for 3 lives on conditions specified.

520. Caerleon, 7 December 1750.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech, Provost: tempestuous weather and floods have damaged College property, and extra money will be needed. He hopes to send accounts soon. Dispute about glazing done to windows at the Hill House by Tamplin. Tamplin is ready to pay his rent but will not pay Mr Williams without allowance made for his disbursements on work done as part of the rent.

SEE ECR 64/122 for Littleton to [?the Bursar] explaining delay in sending his accounts, 16 December 1750.

SEE ECR 64/123 for Littleton to [?the Bursar] concerning his accounts, 18 December 1750.

521. Newport, 26 January 1750/1.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech, Provost: have his accounts been received? Sea walls in Curbeehind are 2 feet higher than previously and should not lead to much expense for many years. Tamplin is repairing a stretch of wall west of the Cliff. Court of Sewers is likely to appoint an expeditor upon the wall at the New Key if the College does not begin repairs before it next meets. He will need funds for the work. Morgan says he has spent nearly £100 on William Hill Evans's wall more than the rent of the land will pay.



CORRESPONDENCE OF WESTCOT LITTLETON

522. Shirenewton, 13 December 1751.

Littleton to the Revd. Thomas Ashton, Bursar of Eton College: he is sending account of tithes of Christchurch and has sent accounts for Nash, Goldcliff and Whitson separately. Will soon send his account of receipts and disbursements which will show that the year has been an expensive one for the College, as well as for other estates in the area, in upkeep of sea walls. Mr Williams will write about the Proclamation touching the estate of William Hill Evans. Morgan's bill for repair of sea walls amounted to £87 more than the rent of the land for the time he had it.

523. Chepstow, 9 July 1752.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech, Provost: wishes to know what to do with William Hill Evans's land which needs mowing unless it can be let, and the wall which needs repair.

Forwarded to the Revd. Mr Cooke at Eton by Sleech, with covering letter asking Cooke to reply: to mow the ground, and let it, but since the College has not yet seen his accounts and does not know what money of theirs Littleton has, they must defer ordering him any money.

524. Chepstow, 7 October 1752.

Littleton to the Revd. William Cooke, Eton College: Commissioners of Sewers have ordered Monkitch to be cast and have appointed Charles Tamplin expeditor on William Hill Evans's sea walls. Tamplin says he will not settle his accounts until he can settle them all together.

525. Shirenewton, 11 November 1752.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech, Provost: young Mr Van has ordered Charles Tamplin to destroy or send away the Provost's greyhound, and Tamplin is unwilling to disoblige Van or to incur the Provost's displeasure. Tamplin also reports that young Van frequently fishes before Goldcliff manor and denies the College's right to fish there. Expenditors have been appointed for casting Monkitch pill, an expense that might have been saved if Van had allowed Littleton to make the doors of the sea gouts as he intended. Work on other walls. Has let out all tithes and will soon send his accounts.

526. Shirenewton, 14 November 1752.

Littleton to the Revd. Stephen Sleech, Provost: College's sea wall was badly damaged by previous week's storm and cannot be expected to stand long. He awaits advice from a mason about repair or rebuilding.

SEE ECR 64/130 for Littleton to the Revd. William Cooke: Tamplin's accounts, 10 December 1752.

CORRESPONDENCE OF WESTCOT LITTLETON

527. Newport, 12 December 1752.

Littleton to the Revd. William Cooke, Eton College: he sends Tamplin's accounts for 1749, 1750 and 1751 with comments (see ECR 64/340, 341).

528. Shirenewton, 16 December 1752.

Littleton to the Revd. William Cooke, Eton College: net amount of all grain collected in kind in 1751 after expenses deducted is £10. 3s. 10<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>d. which should be added to his accounts. Further errors found in Tamplin's accounts. He does not agree with the mason who says the foundations of the great wall have given way, but it must be rebuilt as soon as possible.

529/1-5. /1. Shirenewton, 15 September 1753.

Littleton to [?Cooke]: has sent Tamplin's account of repairs made to William Hill Evans's sea wall. Repairs to the great wall have just been finished. Tamplin says he refused to renew his lease because the College failed to rebuild the barn at Murbourn and to settle accounts with him. Littleton has collected a few tithes and let out the others. He recommends application to the Court of Sewers to direct that new gates be erected at the sea gouts belonging to Monk ditch pill to prevent so much water running up the pill.

/2-5. Receipts issued by Littleton to Charles Tamplin for part of his rent due to the College, 26 September 1748, 24 October 1748, 4 July 1749 and 20 July 1749.

530. Chepstow, 26 October 1753.

Littleton to the Revd. Thomas Ashton, readdressed to William Cooke: he has received a bill for casting Monk ditch pill and wants orders sent to Mr Williams or Mr Tamplin to pay it.

Fragile: torn in two pieces.

531. Chepstow, 4 May 1754.

Littleton to the Revd. William Cooke, Eton College: hopes he received copies of the agreements made with 2 new tenants of the Hill and Murbourn farms. Sends a copy of the presentment at the Court of Sewers held at Newport, 9 April 1754, respecting gouts, doors, a sluice etc. belonging to the lords of Goldcliff manor. He needs £20 towards repairs. Mr Phillips is urgent for the money spent on Monk ditch pill and threatens to distrain on the cattle of the new tenant as soon as he brings them to the Hill farm.

Copy of presentment concerning Goldcliff, Court of Sewers, 9 April 1754.

532. Shirenewton, 20 November 1754.

Thomas Littleton, junior, to Dr Burton, Eton College: Samuel Morgans is claiming £3. 10s. as expeditor for the level; he recommends paying to save further expense. Details of tenancies of College lands.

Endorsed: Thomas Littleton's Letter after the Death of his Father Novr 1754.

CORRESPONDENCE OF WILLIAM WILLIAMS OF CAERLEON, STEWARD OF  
COLLEGE MANORS IN MONMOUTHSHIRE, c.1724-1756

533. London, 11 November 1729.

William Williams to the Revd. Stephen Sleech, Eton College: the survey of Goldcliff will soon be ready. Mr Morgan, the College tenant, has been unwell again and unable to attend their next audit. Williams is willing to wait on the College on his way to Monmouthshire to settle Morgan's accounts.

534. Caerleon, 16 June 1745.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: acknowledging directions about the College courts to be held in August.

Caerleon, 15 September 1747.

535. / Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: the reeve of Goldcliff has still paid nothing of the chief rents due for 1746, and Williams will threaten to sue him if they remain unpaid. Summary of his account.

536. Caerleon, 1 October 1747.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: transmits part of the chief rent of Goldcliff for 1746 which the deputy reeve has paid. Sends his account (set out on facing page).

Part of the letter has been torn away, but no text seems to be lost.

537. Caerleon, 4 December 1747.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Eton College: the court book should have been handed to Mr Brookland. The reeve of Goldcliff has still not settled his 1746 account, and Williams would like authority to tell him that he will be sued if he fails to settle forthwith. He has urged the reeve for 1747 to begin his collection.

538. Caerleon, 5 [?]February]\* 1747/8.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: the reeve for 1746 has paid no more money despite Mr Brookland's letter, but has appointed next Monday to finish. Mr Van disputes the amount due for 2 years' chief rents for Coldra. Encloses a copy of Coldra rent roll (not found, but see ECR 64/74-78, rent rolls for 1746 and 1747).

Fragile, torn in two pieces.

\*The month has been torn away but the date stamp seems to read 8 FE.

539. Caerleon, 9 February 1747/8.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: the deputy reeve of Goldcliff brought no money but Mr Phillips, his principal, promises to settle this day sennight.

CORRESPONDENCE OF WILLIAM WILLIAMS

540. Caerleon, 20 February 1747/8.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: he sends a copy of the account of the chief rents for Goldcliff for 1746 presented by the reeve, with his objections to them. He hopes soon to finish collection of chief rents for Coldra for 1746 and 1747, except for Mr Van's money.

Accounts in a different hand.

Fragile, torn along folds into two pieces.

541. London, 26 February 1747/8.

Dr William Berriman to [the Revd. Thomas Sturges, Fellow of Eton 1746-51]: he encloses a letter from Mr Williams (?ECR 64/540) about the chief rents of Goldcliff. It might be advisable to send a rent roll of the manor with a letter from Mr Brookland.

542. Caerleon, 26 February 1747/8.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: the reeve for 1746 has paid a further 10 guineas towards settlement of his account. If it is possible to get a tenant, he will do so.

543. Caerleon, 12 March 1747/8.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: he has deferred sending his account in hopes that the collection of Coldra might be complete. Mr Morgan might be prepared to lease his former holding again.

544. Caerleon, 31 March 1748.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: sends his accounts (not found). Chief rent due from Mr Van has not yet been paid because of his expenses as expeditor on a reen in which Eton has a concern. Other outstanding debts.

545. Caerleon, 19 April 1748.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: accounts of Mr Van, Mr Morgan and Mr John Bowen, deputy reeve.

546. Caerleon, 20 May 1748.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: hopes to wait upon him next term. He corrects details about Hill Evans's estate.

547. Caerleon, 8 August 1749.

Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street: affair of Coldra manor is finished and he has received 20 guineas for the College. He has pressed the reeves for 1746, 1747 and 1748 to perfect their accounts.



CORRESPONDENCE OF WILLIAM WILLIAMS

548. Caerleon, 31 October 1749.  
Williams to Dr Berriman, Leadenhall Street, readdressed to Dr Sleech, Provost of Eton College: Samuel Evans wishes to know the College's terms before treating for a lease.
549. Caerleon, 18 November 1751.  
Williams to ?: formerly sending accounts (?ECR 64/152).
550. Caerleon, 26 December 1753.  
Williams to ?: he has deferred sending his accounts in hope of finishing the collection of Coldra chief rents, but he wants instructions about allowances to be made.
551. Caerleon, 23 November 1754.  
Williams to Dr Sleech, Provost: Mr Littleton has called on him once since his father's death, but failed to call again on the day appointed. Two gouts presented out of repair near Goldcliff will soon be repaired by an expeditor. The College's commands about naming an agent to take care of the sea walls will be attended to.
552. Caerleon, 7 February 1755.  
Williams to ?: Mr Van who died recently was seised of considerable estates in Goldcliff and Coldra. His son promises a sight of the surrenders which will allow Williams to give an account of them.
553. Caerleon, 20 June 1755.  
Williams to ?: sending his accounts (not found). Mr Van held  $26\frac{5}{4}$  acres of customary land in Goldcliff at his death. Williams has paid 3s. 6d. for 100 acres that belong to him and Mr Van is to pay Eton for the remaining  $16\frac{5}{4}$  acres.
554. Caerleon, 30 July 1755.  
Williams to ?: wishes them joy of Mr Van as their tenant. He should put the sea walls in good order. Coldra accounts were settled with Mr Evans that morning. Affair of heriots not yet settled with Van.
555. Caerleon, 5 December 1755.  
Williams to Dr Thomas Ashton, Bursar of Eton College: sends his accounts (?ECR 64/155) since Evans was with him.
556. Caerleon, 29 May 1756.  
Williams to ?: sending a good rent roll of Coldra chief rents (?ECR 64/81) and his account as promised (not found).

CORRESPONDENCE OF EVAN EVANS, COLLEGE AGENT AFTER DEATH OF WESTCOT  
LITTLETON IN 1754

557/1, 2. N.d., ?1754/5.

Directions to Mr Evan Evans with relation to Goldcliff:  
Instructions to whoever goes to Goldcliff about collecting quit-  
rents, fines, rent for Morbourn and Goldcliff farms, tithes,  
Tamplin's account. He is to take account of damages since  
Littleton's death and to examine the estate by the terrier,  
correcting it where necessary. William Williams, steward of  
the manor, and Edwards, the tenant of Morbourn farm who is the  
College bailiff and gamekeeper, will be best placed to help.  
Instructions about questions that must be examined: the state of  
the farms, sea walls, gouts, Goldcliff House.  
Further instructions have been added in another hand, and some  
answers in a third hand (?Evans's).

Formerly a folded sheet, now torn in two pieces.

558. Caerleon, 13 July 1755.

Evan Evans to Dr Sleech: sends details of Tamplin's extraordinary  
claims on the College and suggests that if he proves stubborn  
the College should summons him. Sea walls are in good order and  
repairs to Murbourn and Goldcliff House will be more moderate than  
expected, but cash will fall below what the College expects.

559. Caerleon, 18 July 1755.

Evan Evans to Dr Sleech: wishes for clarification on various  
points connected with the valuation of the Goldcliff estate since  
Mr Van will not settle his account until these points are made  
clear. Van is elusive, the tithe growers awkward and Tamplin  
sulky. His son has started for England to be presented in Hall on  
Election Day (Evan Evans was admitted KS in 1755).

560. Caerleon, 25 July 1755.

Evan Evans to Dr Sleech: sends details of the agreement made  
with Mr Van which Williams will embody in a memorandum to be signed  
by Van. He made Tamplin see the danger he was in so that he  
offered a composition of £80 instead of the balance of £6 in his  
own favour that he had claimed at the start of their conversation.

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CORRESPONDENCE WITH EVAN EVANS, CURATE OF CHRISTCHURCH

561. The Tump. Caerleon, 27 October 1778

Evan Evans to Dr Roberts William Hayward Roberts, Fellow 1771-81,  
Provost 1781-91: stakes are needed immediately to repair the sea  
walls although it is the wrong time to fell timber. Will take care  
that Mr Van's executors commit no waste. Nothing to report about  
the lease. Advises that explicit orders should be given that no  
stones may be carried away from the cliff except for use on the  
College estate.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH EVAN EVANS, CURATE OF CHRISTCHURCH

562. The Tump, Caerleon, 1 October 1779.

E. Evans to Dr Roberts, Eton College: the descent of an estate of Francis Jenkins to Mr Blewit. William Walters, Roberts's correspondent, has been in league with a scandalous crew to whom he lent £10 to make a claim at Monmouth Assizes in the right of Clifford. The witnesses were all against the claim and the cause was dropped. Walters is angry about the £10 he lent.

Evans went to the Hill to see Walters and warn him not to allow stones to be taken except for College use. Walters wanted a premium for this, and complained about lack of support from Eton, and that the Hill Farm was charged to the church rate which was not previously so. Evans told him that as an under-tenant his case was not with Eton but with Mr Van's representatives. A great many stones are taken away and Mrs Van's steward does nothing because they do not intend to renew.

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563. Eton College, 23 February 1784.

William Hayward Roberts, Provost, to [--- ?Hugh or Thomas Bold, sen.]<sup>7</sup> he will be obliged if the addressee will call on Mr Evan Evans of The Tump, Caerleon, to enquire about the Priory wood and other premises at Goldcliff which he surveyed for them some time ago. Although Mr Sleech has written, they do not know whether he has agreed with the woodman or what use Mr Salusbury makes of the stones. He authorises the recipient to settle everything with Mr Evans relating to the estate, and to settle with Mr Butler of Caerleon about the share of taxes and tithes that the College should bear.

Replies added in another hand, with further questions added by Roberts. One note concerns Evans's request for a copy of a terrier of Christchurch vicarage which Roberts says does not exist.

Endorsed: 19 Dr Roberts about Goldcliff Estate Woods etc.  
No Terrier of the Vicar of Goldcliffe.

\* The letter says the addressee's son is well and sends compliments to Mrs Bold and Mrs Philipps. Eton College Register 1753-1790, ed. R.A. Austen-Leigh (Eton, 1921) shows a Hugh Bold at Eton 1782-88, son of Hugh Bold of Brecon, who might therefore be the recipient of this letter.

Thomas Bold, the College's chief steward in the early nineteenth century, was the son of another Thomas Bold who was known to the College and may have been their agent.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD, ATTORNEY, COLLEGE AGENT AND CHIEF STEWARD OF COLLEGE MANORS FROM c.1809 to 1830

564. Brecon, 5 November 1803.

Thomas Bold to the Revd. William Roberts, Worplesdon near Guildford: transcribes a letter from James Hodges about repairs to Nash chancel and sea walls belonging to Eton. He does not believe Hodges has had the loss he claims and wants directions how to reply.

Copy of letter from James Hodges, Trelleck, 1 November 1803  
(For earlier letters from Hodges see ECR 64/467, 468)

565. Brecon, 28 April 1804.

Bold to Roberts: he has been to Goldcliff to inspect the state of the sea walls which are not in good repair as the extracted presentments of the jury at the Court of Sewers show. These do not take account of the new wall built by Mr Hodges as under-tenant. Sends estimates of work needed. Sir Robert Salusbury's lease from the College is not explicit about which walls he must repair. Chancel of Nash church remains ruinous, but Sir Robert and his agent both promise to repair it immediately. Sir Robert has been an idle tenant.

566. Brecon, 27 October 1804.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of the case he drew up, with the opinion of John Williams, serjeant at law, Lincoln's Inn, 18 October 1804, concerning the liability of Sir Robert Salusbury to repair the sea walls of Goldcliff in accordance with covenants in his lease of 26 July 1788, in particular whether it applies to the wall he built under the cliff.

567. Brecon, 2 November 1805.

Bold to Roberts: sends copy of a letter from Hodges upon which he asks for an opinion and directions how to reply.

Copy of letter from James Hodges to Bold, Worcester, 31 October 1805: he defends his work on the sea walls at Goldcliff which has been very expensive; he took the best local opinion, but if a jury recommends additional work, he will do it. He asks that some other person should be found to pay taxes on Lower and Upper Priors wood.

568. Brecon, 18 January 1806.

Bold to Roberts: sends another copy of Hodges's letter of 31 Oct. 1805 and asks for directions how to proceed. He hopes that Sir Robert Salusbury has furnished the particulars he was asked for.

569. Brecon, 20 November 1806.

Bold to Roberts: Mr Hodges has not called a jury as he undertook to do in the spring. Neither Sir Robert Salusbury nor his agent, Mr Jones, has supplied the information required about repairs to the sea walls. Wants to know how to reply to a Monmouthshire man who is interested in becoming tenant of the whole estate if Sir Robert does not renew.



CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

570. London, 28 January 1807.

Bold to Roberts: sends copies of letters from Sir Robert Salusbury (Llanwern, 20 January 1807) and James Hodges (Chatham, 22 January 1807) concerning a bill and the sea walls.

571. Brecon, 6 November 1807.

Bold to Roberts: sends copy of a letter from J. Evans, solicitor, of Chepstow, 20 October 1807, reporting that he has discovered presentments of a jury respecting the boundary of College property in Chepstow dated 13 February and 28 September 1745, and will have them copied if Bold desires. Copy of Bold's reply, deferring a decision until the College has expressed a wish, Brecon, 2 November 1807. Bold has seen Hodges about the sea walls and woods.

572. Brecon, 10 December 1807.

Bold to Roberts: he has not yet received Mr Davies's valuation; sends a copy of a letter from James Hodges (Deptford, 23 November 1807) concerning fresh damage to the sea walls which means work cannot be completed by Candlemas 1808. Hodges claims to have been a great sufferer by the sea walls, and if anyone is given any advantage in a new lease, it should be he. Davies thinks the present repairs to the sea walls are not workmanlike and recommends that Hodges should be told to stop work and that one or two competent people should be asked to say what sum is needed for the College to put the walls in sufficient repair. He also denies that Hodges is a loser by the bargain for the timber.

573. Bath, 5 February 1808.

Bold to Roberts: he has executed an agreement whereby the College takes the walls in the state they are at present, subject to the payment of such sum as Mr Phillips and Roberts, the mason, adjudge necessary to repair them. Other estate matters.

574. Brecon, 18 February 1808.

Bold to Roberts: has not yet received the report from Phillips and Roberts; he has a poor account to give of the cottages which are not overvalued, but some are said not to be in Goldcliff manor. Hodges wishes to speak to Roberts about his contract. Bold has paid property tax on the woods.

575. Brecon, 27 February 1808.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of the estimate for repairs to the sea walls submitted by William Phillips, esq., and William Roberts, mason, 2 February 1808; he has told Hodges to meet Roberts in London on 9 March.

576. Cardiff, 20 June 1808.

Bold to [?Roberts]: has received his letter and cheque for £34.11.9. Mr Prothero will deliver the documents belonging to the manors on 30 June at Newport, not 31st as addressee said. Has arranged the holding of a court.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

577. Cardiff, 11 December 1808.

Bold to Roberts: acknowledges receipt of £57. 1. 0. He told a person who thought he could erect alum works at Goldcliff to write to Roberts.

578. Date torn away, but endorsed 27 May 1809 and stamped Brecknock May - 180-

Bold to Roberts: report on repairs at Goldcliff and Taylor's house. Some wood may be ready for felling in 1810; he has ordered the tithe barn at Christchurch and the pound at Coldra to be repaired, and the chancel at Christchurch to be roughcast as the church has been so repaired recently. Waters's account.

579. Brecon, 20 July 1809.

Bold to Roberts: Mrs Davis will take the garden in Chepstow for 30 years' purchase for £5 rent p.a. High winds have damaged the walls and Waters wants someone appointed to inspect them so that he is not thought to make an improper charge. Bold is informed that a new road is proposed which will pass over about 200 yards of the Priory woods, and he considers that applications should be made officially to the College.

580. Brecon, 15 January 1810.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from D. Williams about Tray and Harry Harris who want leases of the College, Newport, 8 January 1810. Bold gives more information about the two cases.

581. Eton College, 19 January 1810.

Roberts to [Bold]: acknowledges drafts mentioned in ECR 64/580 and says Tray may have a lease for 21 years. He will settle Harris's case when they meet. What can Waters mean by remuneration? Bottom of letter torn away.

582. Brecon, 23 January 1810.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from Robert Jones, agent to Sir Robert Salusbury, enclosing a bill for his year's rent, Newport, 20 January 1810.

583. Brecon, 8 March 1810.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of William Waters's account but has no money to pay him. Although Waters's rent will soon be due, he says the walls will need further repairs.

Annotated in pencil ?by Roberts: I sent him 100.

584. Brecon, 20 March 1810.

Bold to [?Roberts]: acknowledges receipt of £100; will give the notice he wants respecting the Priory woods.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

585. Brecon, 15 July 1810.

Bold to Roberts: he surveyed the walls at Goldcliff and the new work looks good. He has told Waters to do what is necessary to repair the old work, his work to be subject to inspection by Mr Phillips of Whitson, if willing, or another capable person. He sends a copy of Waters's account and a copy of a letter from D. Williams from Newport, 12 July 1810, enclosing £20. 5s. paid by Waters on account of his rent. He wants direction whether to tell Waters to quit the farm he rents or to renew his lease.

586. Brecon, 17 October 1810.

Bold to [?Roberts?]: encloses a letter from 'The Man of the Wood' which does not accord with the report from Vaughan last year. Mr Vaughan's health makes it impossible for him to continue to advise, and Bold offers to ask Mr Mathews who lives near Hereford to survey and value the woods, and advise when they should be cut.

587. Enclosure with ECR 64/586: 7 October 1810.

Thomas Williams ('The Man of the Wood') to Bold: Lower Priory wood is fit for cutting.

588. Brecon, 22 June 1811.

Bold to Roberts: reports on the sea walls at Goldcliff. Mr Robert Owen has been recommended to superintend repairs and Waters would be glad of someone to oversee his work. Sends a copy of Waters's account.

589. Brecon, 13 July 1811.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from Robert Owen, Newport, 10 July 1811, about the cost of strengthening the sea walls at Goldcliff, which he is prepared to oversee. The difference in price between what is proposed and agreed to by Waters and what he stated to Bold seems to him additional reason for giving him notice to quit, and he asks for directions about this.

590. Brecon, - September 1811.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from Robert Owen, Newport, 16 September 1811, about progress on the sea walls and the possibility of a lease of the Hill farm for a friend if Waters gives it up. Bold has said that he believes the first refusal to be promised elsewhere. The sale of coppice wood is fixed for 8 October. He wants directions whether to allow a deduction from fines in Coldra manor for land and property tax.

591. Newport, 9 October 1811.

Bold to Roberts: the coppice wood in Lower Priory wood has been sold for £220. Cordwood is of little value at present. The tithes will be paid by the purchaser.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

592. Newport, 3 February 1814.

Bold to Roberts: Sir Robert Salisbury's rent will not be forthcoming as there is an execution against him in the sheriff's hands for £70,000. Repairs will be needed this year to the chancel at Christchurch.

593. Brecon, 23 March 1814.

Bold to Roberts: the distressed state of Sir Robert's affairs makes it impossible to receive his arrears at present. Robert Owen says that if the College will grant him a term of 10 years of the tithes at their present rent, he will pay the arrears. He has sent a bill for £250 to Hoare's on account of the College.

594/1, 2. /1. Brecon, 1 November 1814.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of part of a letter from the agent at Newport who attends to College business for him about repairs to the chancel at Christchurch.

/2. Estimate submitted by Edward Griffiths and William Oliver for repairs to the chancel at Christchurch.

595. Newport, 16 April 1816.

Alexander Jones, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers for the Levels of the Hundreds of Caldicot and Wentloog, to the Revd. William Roberts: the Commissioners of Sewers have made an assessment on the College for £2633. 15s. for repair of the sea walls because no one appeared at the Court held 16 April to represent the College and no steps had been taken to effect repairs. If the Commissioners are assured that the money will be paid, they are willing to give accommodation as to the times of payment.

596. Newport, 9 May 1816.

Bold to Roberts: he has discussed the peremptory order from the Commissioners with Mr Prothero who himself dictated the letter. Notice of the meeting appeared in a Gloucester paper, never seen by Bold or, presumably, by Roberts. Prothero conceded that nothing would be done to enforce the order until next meeting of the Commissioners. He proposes to see Mr Jones at Usk and will communicate further.

597. Brecon, 14 May 1816.

Bold to Roberts: he has discussed the question of the sea walls and the fine with Mr Alexander Jones. The Commissioners claim a right to compel the making of a wall under the Hill on the grounds that if the Hill were carried away nothing could prevent water entering the Level. He recommends the College to take advice on this point before the next meeting on 28 May, and hopes that Roberts will either attend in person or give him full directions.



CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

598/1, 2. /1. Annotated: copy 13 May 1816

Case for legal opinion setting out the College's responsibility for the maintenance of sea walls, and the proposals put forward by Bold, on the advice of an engineer, to solve the problem of the tides wearing away the Hill which affords protection to the Levels.

/2. 23 May 1816.

Opinion of Christopher Puller, Lincoln's Inn, on the College's liability, the powers of the Commissioners of Sewers and the legality of the plan to throw down the Hill.

Newport, 28 May 1816.

Bold to Roberts: he attended the meeting and pleaded guilty to the presentment.

599. Brecon, 30 May 1816.

Bold to Roberts: after taking all the advice into consideration, he decided to plead guilty to the original presentment at the meeting of the Court on 28 May. The College must build a wall under the Cliff, and it will be expensive. Mr Leigh says Mr Aram may look at the work occasionally, and Aram has recommended two masons, who will send an estimate. He hopes Roberts will be able to come to Newport on 10 June to agree what is to be done. He considers the law defective because it places all the burden of maintaining sea walls on those whose property adjoins the sea whereas many landowners benefit at no cost. He recommends that the College should apply for an Act of Parliament to put the repair of the walls under Commissioners who would have power to raise a rate from all property in the Level to pay for the walls.

600. Brecon, 2 June 1816.

Bold to Roberts: has received an estimate for the wall based on the Porton walls, which comes to £1460. He hopes to see Roberts at Newport on 9 June or to receive instructions. If he does not consult Jessop again about the walls, Bold recommends Mr Dr Bruyn at 21 Southampton Street, Bloomsbury, who often comes to Monmouthshire and has a wide experience of sea walls in Lincolnshire and Norfolk.

601/1, 2. /1. 31 May 1816

John Aram to [?Bold]: enclosing estimate by James Phillips, sent on by Bold to Roberts with ECR 64/600.

/2. Endorsed: May 1816

Draft agreement between James Phillips, mason, of Whitson, and Thomas Bold for Eton College, for building a sea wall under Goldcliff Hill; note and calculations added by Bold, 2 June 1816.

602. Brecon, 6 June 1816.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from Joseph Mitchell, Goldcliff, 3 June 1816, in which Mitchell offers to build the wall under the Hill, with an estimate, and character references to be seen at the office of D. Williams, solicitor, Commercial Street, Newport.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

603-607. References in support of Joseph Mitchell, mason:

603. 5 June 1816, from John Seys, Goldcliff.

604. 6 June 1816, from William Warren, Coldra.

605. 7 June 1816, from William Waters, Hartridge, to Dr Hawkins, Friars.

606. 7 June 1816, from Francis Higgs, Henton, Goldcliff.

607. 7 June 1816, from Samuel Loord, Goldcliff.

608. Goldcliff, 10 June 1816.

John Seys to Dr Hawkins, Friars: he would be grateful if Hawkins would recommend him to Mr Bold as a suitable overseer of the walls.

Endorsed by Bold: who recommended Mr Seys to T. Bold, Newport, 10 June 1816.

609. Newport, 10 June 1816.

Bold to Roberts: he met Mr Aram and Phillips and his partner who had given the estimate for £1460. When told of a far lower estimate, they reduced theirs, but if lime is to be bought from Penarth the cost would still be c.£1400. Mitchell says that if he has to buy Penarth lime his estimate will be nearer £1000 than the original £875. Mitchell is said to be competent. Seys has offered to oversee work daily. He does not think any negotiation possible with the Commissioners of Sewers, but on the next day they meet (17th) Bold proposes to meet all the people who have submitted estimates. If Roberts cannot come, he wishes for precise instructions.

610. Pontypool, 10 June 1816.

John Aram to Bold: cautioning him against Mitchell.

Annotated by Bold: This Information given by Mr Aram did not appear on investigation to be warranted in fact. TB 10 June 1816.

611. Brecon, 19 June 1816.

Bold to Roberts: he has entered into a contract with Mr Waters of Newport to inspect the work on the walls daily. At present he has estimated for only half the work, but if more can be done this year it will be, and at the same terms. He has estimates from 8 men, which he lists. He hopes Roberts will be able to come down.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

612. 23 June 1816.

Roberts to the Provost [Joseph Goodall]: he summarises the agreement made by Bold on behalf of Eton College with Evan Morgan of Newport for building the sea walls under Goldcliff, and repeats Bold's words about having found an overseer in the person of Waters of Newport. He hopes to get to Eton despite a severe attack of gout, and will then learn the Provost's opinion of the Goldcliff arrangements.

613. Newport, 6 July 1816.

Thomas Waters to Thomas Bold, solicitor, Brecon: the plan agreed for the walls is different from Mr Jessop's; he gives the specifications and plans and asks for instructions about the height of walls and holes recommended by Jessop. The wall could be finished this summer, and he considers that advisable as the corner with the lime kiln will otherwise be carried away by the tide. He has sent a copy to Dr Roberts.

Covering letter added: Newport, 7 July 1816

D. Williams to Bold: Waters has brought him this letter. Waters disapproves of holes being left in the wall because the tide will break in and weaken the backing. Waters wishes to know whether he is to have the tithes.

Readdressed to the Provost, Eton College.

614. Brecon, 8 July 1816.

Bold to [?Roberts]: Mr Williams is alluding to an offer by William Waters of Milton and Thomas Waters of Newport to lease the tithes of Christchurch for 7 years. The reply to ECR 64/613 should go direct to Thomas Waters, architect, Newport.

615. Brecon, 22 July 1816.

Bold to Roberts: he sends a copy of a letter from Thomas Waters, asking Roberts to reply direct to Waters.

Copy of letter from Waters, Newport, 18 July [1816]: Mr Jessop wants the plan of the wall changed; Waters wants directions as to its height, and money for the mason.

616. Brecon, 8 August 1816.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from Waters, Newport, 29 July 1816, asking for money to pay the workmen. Bold has instructed Waters to see that Morgan does not begin the second half of the wall before receiving specific instructions to do so. He sent a clerk to see the work and provide money for the workmen.

617. Cardiff, 9 September 1816.

Bold to Roberts: Jessop is satisfied with the wall and has directed Evan Morgan to finish the work immediately. Jessop advises backing it and has contracted with some men to do so. He asks for £300 to be sent at once to Waters for the contractor. Monk-ditch gout has been presented and repair will cost £100. He stresses the need for an Act of Parliament to set up a method of spreading cost of repairs among all landowners. He submits an inscription to be inserted in the wall, and sends a copy of a letter from John Aram to Bold, Pontypool, 1 September 1816, giving a favourable report on the walls and recommending completion in the present year.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

618. Brecon, 29 November 1816.

Bold to Roberts: sends a copy of a letter from John Seys, Brecon, 20 November 1816, asking for money to complete work on the walls.

619. Brecon, 7 December 1816.

Bold to [?Roberts]: acknowledges draft for £400, and has written to Jessop to meet him at Goldcliff on Monday next.

620. Newport, 14 [December] 1816.

Bold to Roberts: Jessop's accounts and statements only came yesterday but he hopes that they will prove satisfactory. Explains points in his own accounts.

Torn.

621. Tredegar, 20 January 1817.

Bold to Roberts: query of accounts of executors of Robert Owen who died insolvent. He fears that they will never get the money still owing. Seys's wall was all certified by Jessop. Statement of Bold's account with the College.

Endorsed in red ink by Roberts: Bold Jan 20 1817 with Statement of remainder due etc etc.

622. Worplesdon, 14 June 1817.

Roberts to Bold: he may deduct 20% from Taylor's rent at his discretion. The College will lose by Owen.

Added: Brecon, 5 August 1817.

Bold to Roberts: he has seen Mr Leigh. The cause referred to by his solicitors, Messrs Prothero & Co., does not go on from the great difficulty of proving what is an extraordinary tempest. Leigh thinks that if a wall was in good repair, upon notice given to the Commissioners subsequent repairs and damage should be borne by the Level. He fears Leigh may be mistaken but will try to profit by it. The walls under the Cliff are solid, but New Quay has been affected by the weather.

Endorsed: June 14th 1817 Letter from Mr Roberts authorizing a Reduction on the Taylors rent and Copy Letter from him enclosing account of Thomas Waters and Evan Morgan.

Endorsed in another hand: Feb. 2. 1820 No receipt taken for allowance according to times of £50 but this Letter will explain it.

623. London, 10 February 1819.

Bold to the Very Reverend -- (name torn away): sends the vouchers in case he does not see the addressee at Eton the following day. He has paid Messrs Hoare's £200 on account of the College.



CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

624. Brecon, 6 February 1820.

Bold to the Revd. G. Bethell, Bursar of Eton College: he has remitted £200 to Hoare's in part payment of rents, together with vouchers and a list of chief rents. He explains the agreement come to over land tax by Mr Roberts; property tax ceased April 1816; the arrears of tithe are probably irrecoverable because Robert Owen died insolvent.

625/1, 2. /1. Tredegar, 27 August 1820.

Bold to the Bursar [?Bethell]: sends a copy of a letter from David Williams to himself which will answer all the Bursar's questions.

/2. Total of chief rents, 2 February 1815, 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819 and note that 2 February 1819 £8. 19. 4 was received of David Williams for property tax not allowed in chief rents.  
(Written on a page from a Praepostor's book)

626. Brecon, 11 November 1820.

Bold to the Bursar: he sends his account ending February 1820 (not found). He fears high winds may have damaged the walls, and has kept £100 in hand for contingencies.

Annotated: Notes of sums due or received for various properties or taxes.

Endorsed: Mr Bold Novbr 14th 1820. Answd.

627. Brecon, 4 and 13 June 1825.

Bold to the Revd. G. Bethell, Burnham Parsonage, Maidenhead: he attended the survey and perambulation of Christchurch parish, a full 30 miles round. Thomas Waters is prepared to rent Taylor's cottage on conditions stated, and he recommends acceptance.

Added: Llangattock Church House, 6 June 1825.

Copy of a letter from David Davis to Bold, asking for plans of the two College farms near Newport.

Annotated in pencil: Lease for 40 years 4 Gs for 14 years  
6 Gs the remainder

Agree for ourselves & recommend no fine at the 1st Renewal

Endorsed in a different hand: Mr Dixon. Oxford

what allowance should be given if the tenants are bound to plant trees

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Ellingham - Hants  
Brumham - Beds

628. N.d., endorsed 1 August 1825

Bold to [?Bethell]: he will soon receive the account of the perambulation of Christchurch and also an account of the fishery near the Hill.

Endorsed: Mr Bold Augst 1st 1825

CORRESPONDENCE OF THOMAS BOLD

629. Brecon, 9 February 1829.

Bold to the Bursar, Eton College: the College's concerns have not been neglected as he should realize from his partner's letter (?ECR 64/630). Maintenance of the sea walls is very expensive; he recommends an Act of Parliament to apportion costs among all landowners whose property adjoins the sea. He has spoken of this to the Provost who will be sure to remember.

630. Newport, 2 February 1829.

David Williams to Thomas Bold: reports the results of his enquiries about properties on which chief rents are due to the College. He sends a letter from John Seys about Dickson, the mason who succeeded on Mitchell's death, whom Bold considers incompetent (ECR 64/631). This and two previous letters from Mr Rowland, General Surveyor of the Level in 1824 and 1826, show that the College walls have been attended to and that the work is expensive and great damage can be caused by one tide. Goldcliff is an expensive estate because of the need to maintain walls, gouts, reens, bridges, chancels etc., and the College should bear this in mind. Some landowners have taken and enclosed small strips of land between their land and the road; Williams has tried to get them to an acknowledgement for this but with little success. He hopes he has answered all Mr Bethell's questions to Mr Bold.

?Formerly enclosed with ECR 64/629: presumably Williams is the partner alluded to.

631. Goldcliff, 27 January 1829.

John Seys to Thomas Bold: he has viewed the work done by William Dixon, master mason to the College since the death of Joseph Mitchell, and is satisfied with both quality and price. He stresses the exposed position of some of the College walls.

Enclosure with ECR 64/630.

632. Cardiff New Gaol, 24 January 1829.

William Tennant, Clerk of Work, Cardiff New Gaol, to David Williams: recommends William Dickson who has been employed at Bristol and Chatham Docks.

Enclosure with ECR 64/630.

633. Queen Square, Bristol, 24 January 1829.

Henry Rumley, architect, to D. Williams: recommends William Dickson who worked on two villas near Bristol under his superintendence.

Enclosure with ECR 64/630.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE, MOSTLY WITH THOMAS BOLD, POSSIBLY  
FORMER ENCLOSURES WITH HIS LETTERS TO THE COLLEGE

634. Priory Wood, 29 December 1807.  
Thomas Williams to [?Bold?]: replies to queries about Priory Wood,  
and hopes the College will not oppress him.

Endorsed by Bold: 29th Decr 1807 T. Williams Priory Wood  
Jany 1st 1808 Wrote with same & sent Copy to Mr Roberts.

See ECR 64/587 for another letter from Thomas Williams

635. Wed. night. Endorsed: 14 November 1809 (a Tuesday)  
Robert Jones, agent to Sir Robert Salusbury, to Thomas Bold: he  
hopes to see Sir Robert on Saturday and to send a satisfactory  
answer about the property tax. Sir Robert's lease did not expire  
until Lady Day and the College took possession on 2 February, so  
a proportion of rent is due to him.

636. Newport, 30 April 1816.  
Edward Owen to the Revd. William Roberts, Worplesdon: announces  
the death of his brother Robert Owen, agent for Eton College in  
the Newport area. Owen died intestate and his affairs seem  
confused. Any information on his account with Eton will be of help.  
He has also written to Mr Bold of Brecon. He doubts whether his  
brother left enough to satisfy his creditors.

Annotated: ansd WR

637. Usk, 6 November 1816.  
Copy, Messrs Prothero, McDonell & Prothero, solicitors, Usk, to  
Thomas Bold, solicitor, Brecon: they are directed by Capel Hanbury  
Leigh, esq., to apply to the Commissioners of Sewers for a rate  
upon the Level to reimburse Leigh for his expenses in rebuilding  
the sea wall on his Porton estate. He has been advised to seek  
Counsel's opinion since there is likely to be opposition, and has  
asked them to approach other principal proprietors of lands  
adjoining the Level to ask whether they will concur with him in  
taking such measures as may be necessary for enforcing this claim.  
If Eton College accedes, they will forward a copy of the case for  
Counsel.

Added: Brecon, 9 November 1816.

Copy of reply from Bold: he is in favour of a pro rata rate on all  
lands affected by the sea to bear the cost of repairs but fears  
that this would require an Act of Parliament. He has sent a copy  
of their letter to the Provost and the Bursar of Eton College and  
will write again when he has their reply.

Endorsed: Leigh Esq etc Nov. 6th 1816 to apply to Com<sup>rs</sup>

Added in pencil: to be exd by EC

638. Mount St Albans near Caerleon, n.d. [?1816?].  
J.W. Thomas to the Provost, Eton College: renewing proposals about  
Priory wood made some years ago with the object of relieving  
distress by giving employment to the out-of-work.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

639. Mount St Albans near Caerleon, 30 December 1816.

J.W. Thomas to the Provost, the Revd. J. Goodall: the Provost's reply to his earlier letter calls for an explanation as it appears to censure him in part. He considers that his proposals were fair and advantageous to the College. He was aware that tenants for life and corporate bodies were empowered to sell part of their estates for redemption of Land Tax but did not know that Eton had completed the redemption. He understood Priory wood and Coldra manor had been held on very long lease and was not aware that the College could only grant leases for 21 years, renewable every 7 at an agreed fine. His reference to distressed labourers had no sinister object, but he thought it right to mention his motive in renewing his proposals. He would be glad to know the terms on which the College would lease Priory wood to him, but will have no further dealings with the Revd. W. Roberts whose strange reply he quotes.

640. London, 16 January 1816.

Josias Jessop to the Revd. William Roberts: acknowledges receipt of £78 15s. for his journeys to Goldcliff to advise about sea walls.

641. Adelphi, London, 26 November 1816.

Jessop to Roberts: sends his account for a journey to Goldcliff and for a report on the walls.

Endorsed: Jessop 2d bill

642. London, 30 November 1816.

Jessop to Roberts: acknowledges receipt of the £48. 15s. owing on the account mentioned in ECR 64/641.

643. Clifton, 11 December 1816.

Jessop to [?Bold, possibly enclosed with ECR 64/620, or ?Roberts]: he only received the dimensions of masonry done by Mitchell the day before. It makes the quantity of work done more than is charged for. The quantity of stone carted has been exaggerated and he recommends that in future stones should be placed conveniently for measuring to avoid this difficulty. Evan Morgan wants an allowance because the wall is a foot higher than the contract specified.

644. London, 17 December 1816.

Jessop to Roberts: he inspected the sea walls with Mr Bold on 9 December and reports the work as very good. Bold referred to him the settlement of the accounts for repair of the walls on the Levels; the method of measuring and computing costs is irregular, and he has done his best to avoid inconsistencies in future.



MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

645. Pontypool, 15 November 1816.

John Aram to Bold, Brecon: he acknowledges Bold's letter of 10th which he will communicate to Mr Leigh. He reports favourably on the work of Evan Morgan on the sea wall which is almost complete.

646. Pontypool, 7 December 1816.

John Aram to Thomas Waters, architect, Newport: on the reverse he sends the measurement of the cutting at the Hill at Goldcliff.

Account of Eton College with Evan Morgan for cutting and levelling the ground on top of the Cliff above the new wall at Goldcliff, measured by John Aram and Thomas Waters, 4 December 1816.

<u>Added by Bold and possibly another hand:</u>		The contract	1130. 0. 0
Extra work as ascertained by Mr Jessop			29. 5. 0
	90 cubic yards	at 6s. 6d.	1391. 5. 8
	Paid by TB	40	
	TB	200	
& not 400 as Mr R	Mr Roberts	300	
---- to T.B.	TB	200	
	Mr Roberts	500	
	T Bold	15	
	Balance		<u>136. 5. 8</u>

(The added figures plus the original account for £232. 0. 8 work out rightly)

647. Newport, 16 February 1817.

Thomas Waters to Thomas Bold: acknowledges £40. The wall has withstood the rough weather well. He wishes to know whether the wall is to be disturbed where the foundation was not carried to the proper depth: 11-12 feet would be affected. He hopes Bold and Roberts have agreed to lower the tithe of Christchurch.

648. Goldcliff, 6 April 1819.

John Seys to Thomas Bold: he is sending Joseph Mitchell to Cardiff in hopes he may see Bold so that his account for £50 may be settled.

Received on dorse by John Seys, 7 April 1819.

649. Newport, 26 November 1822.

David Williams to Thomas Bold: Mr Evans of Chepstow has renewed his application for 21 years' arrears of chief rent due to the Duke of Beaufort for the Hundred Acres. He asks for directions whether the money is to be paid or the claim resisted, and points out that the fact that Sir Robert Salusbury was lessee for part of the time is no valid objection, nor does the statute which limits the recovery of debts to 6 years apply.

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

650. N.d. [?c.1816].

David Williams to [Thomas Bold]: he has passed on Mr Roberts's directions to Mr Waters and Mr Seys to do what was necessary about the walls. Waters will report when the work is complete. William Waters, late of the Hill farm, and Lewis Morris want to know what the College will accept for Christchurch tithes.

Part of letter only: the text is almost all present, but no date or addressee; however, a reference to his hope of finding someone going to Brecon to take the letter makes it likely the recipient was Bold.

651/1, 2. /1. 19 October 1824.

J. Williams to [?Bold]: encloses an account from James Williams who has charge of Priory woods, who states that he has received £3 3s. from him.

/2. Account of James Williams to Thomas Bold, for hedging, trimming etc., 1824. Receipt 20 November 1824.

652. Maindee [?Maendy], 18 March 1828.

Copy, James Smith to David Williams, Newport: he has not neglected his promise to communicate with Mr Jones about the chief rent claimed by Eton College. Mr Jones has written to Mr George Bethell of Eton College, but it has not been established that he holds any property on which a charge to Eton is payable. In his view it will be necessary to submit a case to Counsel to establish the extent of the College's claim and the lands on which chief rent is due.

653. Maindee [?Maendy], 30 January 1829.

James Smith to David Williams, Newport: he cannot find any evidence to substantiate the College's claim to chief rent from the Maindee estate. If Williams has directions to take hostile measures against any of the tenants, he must replevy on behalf of Mr Jones, but he asks Williams to wait a fortnight to enable him to communicate with Mr Jones.

LEGAL

654. Inquisition taken 28 January 13 Edward IV [1474] before Morgan ap Jankyn ap Phelipp', then steward of Goldcliff and Coldrey [Coldra], to enquire whether William Walsshe, lord of Lanwaren [Llanwern] had a right to a gout or gutter (gutta sive guttura) two foot square under the watercourse of Develes [Dulais] or Monkedich' belonging to the lordship of Goldcliff; and whether any gout or gutter was made there at any time in the past, such as the said William Walsshe claims to hold by certain evidences granted to him in the time of the French monks, shown by licence of the aforesaid steward, to drain water from his land of Llanwern as far as the land of the lord of Goldcliff next to le Brodelees there.

The jurors (named) say that they never saw the gout or gutter there before 4 May 9 Edward IV [1469], nor in any other place in all the wall of Monkediche, nor did they ever hear their parents or forebears say that there was ever any gout there such as William claims to hold. But on 4 May aforesaid lord William, lately Earl of Pembroke [William Herbert, cr. Earl of Pembroke 8 Sept. 1468, executed 27 July 1469], at that time farmer of Morebarne and Brodelese, at the special request and counsel of Morgan ap Jankyn ap Phelipp', allowed the said William, a kinsman of Morgan, to make a gout or gutter under the said watercourse of Develes or Monkediche to drain water from his land of Llanwern during the life of the said Earl, on condition that William Walsshe and his heirs should make a sluicgate or floodgate (unum insictule sinoglositorium sive fludyate) on the said gout with a good lock in it, and should deliver the key to the floodgate to the Earl's servant at Morebarne with the intention that when the waters of Morebarne had been drained and discharged into the Severn, then William Walsshe and his servants should receive the key from the Earl's servant to open the sluicgate or floodgate to drain the water of Llanwern as far as the ditch of Brodelees running in the said ditch between le Brodelees and Monkediche wall as far as the watercourse of Mildiche, where William Walsshe and his heirs are to put a sluicgate or floodgate to control the waters flowing in the watercourse of Mildiche aforesaid, at his own expense, so that the pasture of Morebarne and Brodelese should be preserved. And that William Walsshe and his heirs are to repair, scour and cleanse the aforesaid ditch next to Brodeles from the gout placed there by William as far as the said watercourse of Mildich, at his own expense, during the Earl's life. After the death of the Earl, William Walsshe did not wish to make the said sluicgate or floodgate on the said gout in the said ditch between le Brodeles and Monkedich, nor to repair, scour and cleanse it according to the Earl's grant to him in his lifetime for the safekeeping of the pasture of Morebarne and the indemnification of the lordship of Goldcliff. But he refused utterly to do it, and still refuses. For he claims to occupy the said gout with the watercourse as far as Mildich against reason and conscience and to the ultimate destruction of the whole lordship of Goldcliff there if it were allowed, which God forbid.

Wherefore Morgan ap Jankyn ap Phelipp', steward of Goldcliff, caused the said gout placed by William Walsshe under the watercourse of Develes or Monkediche to be stopped up and closed, and it remained stopped up to this day.

Sealed by the steward and jurors in the presence of master William Gunter, perpetual vicar of Christchurch, Richard D[afyd]d Vaghan', gent., master William ap Rosser, perpetual vicar of St Cadoc of Caerleon, and others.

Five seal tags out of seven remain: the 1st formerly had the steward's seal, with the jurors' seals, two to a tag, on the other six. The names remain legible on the tags.

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Marginal annotations in later hand: Walda Sinoglositorium

Endorsed: Goldeclyff pro Gutta Willelmi Welshe generosi

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: 13 Edw: 4. That Walsh had no right to his guttura of 2 feet square through Denelees or Monksditch & that the steward stoppt it up.

655. N.d.

Paper copy of ECR 64/654 with slight variants, e.g. Geneles for Develes.\*

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: Inquest against W. Walsh that he had no right to a water course by Denelese 13 Edw:4.

\* Mr W.H. Baker, former County Archivist of Gwent, suggests that Develes should be identified as Dulais stream which empties into Monksditch. It appears in ECR 64/3 as dubelais.

656. N.d. [?1520s].

Petition of --- [?Provost of Eton College or his tenant] to [the Earl of Worcester, ?as High Steward of the lordship of Goldcliff or in another capacity]: to make an order between the petitioner and John Marten who, by the procuring and stirring of John Hall, recently entered on the messuage and lands which were formerly held by his father John Marten and Gwenllen, his wife, from the Provost and College of Eton. The petition recites that the Provost and College let the lands, part of the manor of Goldcliff in the marches of Wales, to John Ketyng and Margaret his wife, or the longer liver of them, after the custom of the manor. After their death the lands returned to the Provost and College who then let them to John Marten and Gwenllen his wife and to their heirs, after the custom of the manor; about 9 or 10 years ago John Marten was arraigned for felony and condemned to death, whereby he forfeited to the Provost all his goods, and after the death of Gwenllen the lands and tenements which he held by copy of court roll, so that the Provost has had the lands for 8 or 9 years, until recently the son, John Marten, entered upon them, putting out the tenant of the Provost and College and his goods, giving no knowledge to his lord or any of his officers and offering no fine, contrary to the custom of the manor.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: A Suppl. to the Earle of Worcester a paper concerning the lands of Jo: Martyn executed for felony & fallen to the Coll:

Fragile: part of the top and right-hand side missing; damaged by damp; needs repair.

657. N.d. [?1520s].

Draft order by [?Earl of Worcester] to ---: to expel John Hall and the heir of John Martyn from lands formerly leased by copy of court roll to John Martyn of Salte Marsshe [Saltmarsh] in the lordship of Goldcliff by the Provost of Eton as lord of the lordship by custom of the lordship whereby, upon payment of an arbitrary fine at the discretion of the lord, it was usual to let lands to the heir after the death of a tenant. Martyn was arraigned for divers great robberies and condemned to death, and the lands were seized into the lord's hands and so continued until John Hall lately entered them in the name of the heir of John Martyn. If Hall and Martyn



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can show any title of right by law or custom, he will be content to hear them and, as steward of the lordship, to see justice administered between them and the Provost by advice of learned counsel.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: Felons Estate Commanding to expel the heir of Joh: Martyn executed for robbery from his estate now fallen to the Lords of Goldcliff.

In another hand: Comes Vigorniensis Senescall'

658-663. Legal papers in suit between Walter Griffith and Eton College:

658. N.d. [?1520s].

Articles against Walter Griffith for lands and tenements in the manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey [Coldra] in the marches of Wales, which he claims to hold by grant of the abbot and convent of Tewkesbury of 9 October 26 Henry VI [1447].

Endorsed: Goldclyf for matters agaynst Walter Gryffith 9JB

Office paper copy of ECR 42/250.

659. 7 July 14 Henry VIII [1522].

Bond in £40 by Walter Gryffyth of Lodewyk St David in Burgavenny [? in Abergavenny] in the marches of Wales, gent., to Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, clerk, to obey the award of John Rowe and William Rudhall, serjeants at law, arbitrators chosen by Lupton and Gryffyth to judge the right title and possession of 10 acres of land and pasture called Grett Hassokys and 26 acres of pasture called Blakmor in Goldcliff, 2 messuages and 36 acres of land and pasture in the lordship of Coldrey [Coldra], the site of a barn and a certain waste ground near the church called Christchurch, 9 acres of land also in Coldra, and other lands lying in the marches of Wales, and all other matters in dispute between them, provided the arbitrators deliver their judgment before the feast of the Nativity next.

Seal missing.

Endorsed: Obligacio Walteri Griffith etc.

660. 6 May 15 Henry VIII [1523].

Bond in £40 by Walter Griffith, gent., to Roger Lupton, clerk, to obey the award of John Rowe and William Rudhall, arbitrators chosen by Griffith and Lupton to judge the right title and possession of lands specified in ECR 64/659, provided they deliver their judgment before Whitsuntide next.

Seal on tongue defaced.

Endorsed: Obligac' Arbitr' Walt' griffit

661. 13 May 15 Henry VIII [1523].

Award of arbitration indented by John Rowe and William Rowdall, serjeants at law, in a dispute between Roger Lupton, clerk, Provost of Eton, in the right of the College, and Walter Griffith, gent., concerning the title to 10 acres of customary land and pasture called Grete Hassokkes, 31 acres of pasture called Blackmore in the manor of Goldcliff, 2 messuages and 36 acres of customary land and pasture, the site of a barn and certain waste ground near the church called Christchurch, and 9 acres of land in the manor of Coldrey [Coldra]. The parties have each bound themselves in £40 to obey the award.

Walter is ordered to appear at the next courts or leets after Michaelmas of the manors of Goldcliff and Coldra, either in person or through an authorised attorney, and to obey the verdict of the homages or the majority of them, according to the custom of the manors; Roger Lupton is also to obey the verdict of the homages or the majority of them. Neither party is to do anything to prevent their appearance at the courts or by corruption of reward or promise of reward or otherwise to influence the course of justice.

Annotated: Vis' et Irrotulatur per auditorem

Two seal tags, only second seal now present; the serjeants at law have signed or initialled the turn up: John Rowe, WR.

Endorsed: 15.H.8 Goldcliffe The Awarde of Walt' gryffith land

Added in angular 18th century hand: Leaving the right to be determined by the Homage.

662. 15 October 16 Henry VIII [1524].

Bond in £40 by Walter Gryffith of Lanthewyrether' [Llanddewi Rhydderch] within the lordship of Abergavenny, gent., to Roger Lupton, clerk, to obey the award of John Rowe and William Rudhale, serjeants at law, arbitrators chosen by Gryffith and Lupton to arbitrate in a dispute concerning lands specified in ECR 64/659, provided they deliver their judgement in writing before next All Saints' Day.

Annotated: Vis' et Irrotulatur per auditorem

Endorsed: Goldcliffe Obligac' arbitr' Walteri Griffith etc.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: 16. Hen:8 (details of land given)

These lands Walt: Griff claimd by virtue of a grant from the Abbot of Tewksbury 26 H.6.

663. London, 17 October 16 Henry VIII [1524].

Award of arbitration indented by William Rudhale and John Rowe, serjeants at law, in the dispute still depending between Roger Lupton, clerk, Provost of Eton, in the right of the College, and Walter Gryffith of thlandewy Raderagh [Llanddewi Rhydderch] in the lordship of Abergavenny, gent., concerning certain customary lands and tenements within the manors of Goldcliff and Coldrey [Coldra] which Walter claims to hold by copy of court roll of the said manors dated 9 October 26 Henry VI [1447] made to his father Gryffyth ab Evan ap Meryk.

Walter is to pay a reasonable fine to the Provost and to surrender all the lands and tenements in the first courts for the manors to be held after Easter next, to the intent that the Provost shall let again by copy of court roll as much of the lands as Walter now takes the profits (provests) of, to Walter and Dyonyse his wife and to Walter's heirs after the custom of the manor, paying the Provost such rents as he is accustomed to pay and rendering such

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services as are customary. A sufficient copy of the demise by court roll is to be given to Walter or his wife in court, and he is to hand over to the steward of the court the old copy of court roll, on which he bases his present claim, to be cancelled. Walter is further not to interrupt the Provost or any other person who has possession of the other land and tenements in the old copy of court roll, and he is to pay the Provost £6 13s. 4d. for the cost of settling the dispute. Should any further doubt or ambiguity arise, the parties are to obey their further award.

Sealed and signed by the arbitrators.

Endorsed: 16 H.8 Goldcliffe The Award of Mr griffithes land etc.

SEE ECR 42/132 for readmission of Walter Griffith and Denise, his wife, 11 April 1526.

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664. N.d.

Recto:

List of documents produced in the dispute between Sir William Morgan and George ap Morgan v. the Provost of Eton College, some in the buckram bag (bukerham bagge) headed 'for Sir William Morgan and George ap Morgan':

Bill of complaint against Sir William;

The answer [?of Sir William Morgan?];

The replication (?ECR 64/677);

The interrogatories;

The depositions of Sir William with the memorandum that Sir William sent to 'my lorde of Exon', all bound together.

For Master George ap Morgan: the bill of complaint, answer (?ECR 64/676), replication (?ECR 64/679); interrogatories (ECR 64/682); depositions of George Morgan (ECR 64/681) and of other witnesses (ECR 64/683).

In a round box, the deed of Durantesfeld, the patent Sir William has from the College, a decree of Melton myln [Milton mill?], the deed of the by-fishing with other evidences pertaining to machis land [Machen's land?].

The letter that the Provost sent to Sir William Morgan from chipistow [Chepstow?] (ECR 64/418) with other letters; and the copy of the deed, all wrapped in a paper upon which is written 'durauntisfeld' and 'the Copy of letters perteynyng to the same'.

Copy of a lease made of Milton mill by Sir William Morgan to Morgan ap Morgan, and the contrary depositions of Sir William and George, in a paper wrapper.

The titling of the lands that Sir William Morgan has wrongfully withheld from the College, the arrearage of the same (ECR 64/671) and the copy of his patent, in another paper wrapper.

The matter between Master George and Master John ap Morgan before the Princess' Council in another paper wrapper.

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The old customary book.

Sir William Morgan and George ap Morgan's obligations with the conditions, bound together.

'Item for Master Welshaw matter it is hole bounden togeder'.  
All the above were in the buckram bag.

Verso:

A great bunch of court rolls, copies of rentals and other evidences concerning the premises, not in the buckram bag.

'Item if ye lake any copis of any of the premisses ye shall fynd theme bounden togeder in a Role without the bukerham bagge'.

Paper.

665. Beaudeley [?Bewdley, Worcestershire], 18 November 19 Henry VIII [1527].

Official copy of an order of the Princess's Council [i.e. Council of Wales]:

John Golston, clerk, for the Provost and College of Eton, complainants, with Nicholas Williams of their learned counsel; and John ap Morgan and William Jones, attorneys for Sir William Morgan, knight, defendant, with John Prat of his learned counsel, appeared before the Princess's Council, where there was shown on behalf of the complainants a writing under seal and sign manual of the defendant dated 6 March 17 Henry VIII [1526] (ECR 64/15) whereby Sir William Morgan acknowledged that Milton mill belonged to the plaintiffs;

An old record dated 23 July 26 Henry VI [1448] (ECR 64/61) was also shown whereby the mill with the stank and watercourse was leased to Gruff[ith] ap Ieuan ap Myryk for 30 years;

The Council therefore ordered that Sir William Morgan and Thomas ap Meredith are to make up and return the water to its right course from which they turned it of late; they are also to make up the stank for the conveyance of water to the mill as they lately found it, before St Andrew's day next coming, upon pain of forfeiting £40 to the king's use. Morgan and Meredith and their representatives are to leave the watercourse without let or interruption until the defendant shall have shown the Council good reason for reversing the watercourse. For all other matters and demands, both parties are referred to the common law.

Subscribed: T Hakluyt

Endorsed in 18th century angular hand: 19.H.8 An order of the princess counsail that sir W. Morgan return the watercourse to Milton mill.

Parchment, triangular filing hole in bottom left-hand corner.



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666. N.d. [1529 x 1532]\*

Office copy of conditional part of a bond [between Sir William Morgan and Master Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton]: to be void if the within bounden Sir William, knight, obeys the award to be made before All Saints next by Master Humfrey Brown, serjeant at law, and Master [Thomas] Awdley [Audley], Speaker in the Parliament, arbitrators to judge the dispute between Morgan and Roger Lupton Provost of Eton College, over a messuage and  $63\frac{1}{2}$  acres of land called Durautes feld in the lordship of Goldcliff, a fishing called the by fishing in the river Usk, and all other matters depending between them. If the arbitrators cannot agree, the parties are to abide by the award to be made before the feast of St Martin next by Sir Aunthony Fitzherbert [Anthony Fitzherbert], knight, one of the justices of Common Pleas. If George ap Morgan, brother of Sir William Morgan, obeys the award of the arbitrators or the award of the umpire, then ... [the bond is to be void].

Paper.

\* Thomas Audley, later Baron Audley of Walden, became Speaker of the House of Commons in 1529 and was knighted in 1532. Fitzherbert was a judge of Common Pleas from 1522.

667. N.d.

Office copy of privy seal sent to Sir William Morgan, knight, requiring him to appear before the King and his Council at the Palace of Westminster in the quindene of Michaelmas next to answer things objected against him by Master Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, upon penalty of £100.

Endorsed: copy of the privy seall sent to Sir W Morgan

Paper.

668. 13 February 24 [Henry VIII, 1533].

Copy of decree for issue of a writ of privy seal against Sir William Morgan, knight, and George Morgan, to appear before the King and his Council in three [weeks] of Easter next, upon penalty of £100.

Subscribed: Ex decreto dominorum Concilii Regii xiiij<sup>o</sup> die Febr a<sup>o</sup> xxiiij<sup>to</sup>  
Eden.

Endorsed: Copy of the decre for a privy Seall for Sir William Morgan

Paper.

669. Certified copy of decree of the Council in Star Chamber of 9 July 25 Henry VIII [1533] in the dispute between Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, plaintiff, and Sir William Morgan, knight, and George Morgan, defendants.

Upon report made to the Council by Sir Thomas Englefelde, knight, one of the King's justices of Common Pleas, the Council orders:

1. That George Morgan is to give up possession of the messuage called Durantes and  $63\frac{1}{2}$  acres appertaining within the lordship of

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AP MORGAN CONCERNING DURANTSFIELD AND MILTON MILL

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Goldcliff on the day after Michaelmas next, and to allow John Morgan, farmer and tenant of the Provost and College of Eton, to enter and occupy them according to a lease for term of years which John Morgan has from them. John Morgan is to enjoy the property without let or disturbance by Sir William or George Morgan or their representatives until such time as the right heirs of one Self, or Sir William Morgan by good and lawful conveyance from the heirs of Self, have proved in this court a better title to the lands than they have yet done, and also until it is otherwise ordered by the Council.

2. George Morgan is to pay John Morgan in recompense for wrongful occupation and the costs of the suit £10 sterling at the feast of All Saints next.

3. The ordering of the goods which John Morgan alleges that his brother George Morgan took away from him is left to the determination of the King's Council in the Marches of Wales.

4. Sir William Morgan and George Morgan are to be bound by recognizances in £200 to observe this decree.

Subscribed: Ex decreto dominorum Consilii regii die et anno suprascript'  
Eden

Endorsed: Goldcliff sententia lata 24.H.8 Durantsfield

In another hand: Goldcliffe { Durants Field  
{ other words deleted (Milton mill,  
fishing etc)

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of little use

Parchment

670. N.d. [?1520s].

Title of Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, to a fishery called half the by-fishing in the river Usk in the lordship of Goldcliff.

The Provost says that the prior and monastery of St Mary Magdalene of Goldcliff were possessed of two half fishings in the Usk, and were so seised when the monastery was dissolved and resumed by Act of Parliament of 2 Henry V. Edward IV by Act of Parliament of 7 Edward IV granted the fishings amongst other things to Eton as part of the possessions formerly of the monastery of Goldcliff, and the College has held them ever since, till of late Sir William Morgan, knight, without right or title, disseised them of one half fishing.

The Provost also states that Grefyth ape Evan ape Meryke held certain copyhold lands called Machans lands in Nash of the Provost and College according to the custom of the manor of Goldcliff, yielding certain rents, as appears in a customary of 25 Henry VI, which land has lately come into the possession of Morgan Johenes of Newport, knight, by what title the Provost knows not.

Endorsed: the title of the Fishing in Uske

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671. N.d. [?1520s].

Memorandum of arrearages withheld from Eton College by Sir William Morgan:

it is alleged that Morgan occupied and took the profits of a corn mill called Melton miln [Milton mill], parcel of the manor of Coldrey [Coldra], appertaining to Eton, for 30 years without paying any rent or recompense, the mill being worth 66s. 8d a year; for the same time he occupied 10 acres of meadow in bredmede, parcel of the manor of Goldcliff appertaining to the College, worth 20s. a year; and 2 acres of meadow called grassokes mede, parcel of the manor of Goldcliff, worth 4s. a year; he also detained 10s. yearly rent due to the College for a water-course called the watergate of Langeston more [Langstone Moor], and 6d. for a wall, and 6s. of yearly rent which Sir William Morgan ought to pay the College for lands in Radwyke [Redwick] called horysland.

Total £133. 19s. 2d.

Endorsed: Tharrerage of Sir William Morgan Knyght

In another hand: the arrerage of Sir W Morgan

Paper, legal office copy.

672. N.d.

A remembrance to the Lord President of the Marches of Wales, submitted at his command by Sir William Morgan, concerning his claim to Durantsfield [part of the text is missing, but it can be supplied from ECR 64/673].

Morgan asserts that one Self purchased certain lands in the lordship of Goldcliff, now belonging to Eton College, from the house of Goldcliff, to hold for ever, paying certain rents yearly to the lord of Goldcliff. Self is now dead, and the lands came to Morgan's ancestors and to Morgan as heir to his father. He delivered custody of the lands to his brother John ap Morgan. Morgan undertakes to prove the truth concerning Durantysfeld and the interest of Self and himself as heir to his father:

By indenture of 11 Edward IV the right to and possession of the lands rested in Morgan's father, and since in Morgan himself, without any interruption made by the Provost of Eton or any other person until about 2 years ago.

Morgan agreed that his brother Harry Morgan should occupy the lands until he married; and after his marriage Morgan agreed that his brother John ap Morgan should occupy the lands during his pleasure. Neither brother had any further right to the land. Because his brother John is of good substance and his brother George sickly, he has appointed that George shall occupy the lands. He prays that the Lord President will provide that he is not hindered in his possession and inheritance.

Subscribed in Sir William Morgan's hand: at your commandmente Wyllm Morgan

Endorsed: Sir William Morgan knight

Paper, top missing, fragile.

673/1, 2. N.d.

Office copy of ECR 64/672, now unsewn: right-hand edge missing, but the text is less defective than ECR 64/672.

Endorsed: Sir William Morgan saith against George for the Copy hold

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674. N.d. [?1531/1532].

Statement of Sir William Morgan before the court of the Earl of Worcester: and answer of John ap Morgan who claimed to hold of Eton College.

Sir William appeared before the court on --- 23 [Henry] VIII [1531/2] before master Wattkyn Herbert, deputy steward to the Earl of Worcester, Nicholas Williams, learned in the law, and all the homage there, and said that the prior of Goldcliff made a deed of Durantes feld to one Self and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten, from whom the lands came to his own ancestors, how, in what manner and by what title he did not show. He and his ancestors have been in possession for three or four score years. His ancestors made leases of durantes feld to divers persons for terms of years 60 years ago, and he has leased the land for 20 years to his brother George ap Morgan, which lease he claims is good.

He says that the lease which his brother John ap Morgan has of the Provost and College of Eton is invalid, that he is lord of the lands paying the rent to Eton, and that the College has only the rents which amount to 32s. yearly or thereabouts.

Sir William says the deed was in his keeping and that his brother John had it of him.

John answered that he received --ad writing of him and that the deed should be handed to the Provost of Eton, which deed was handed to John ap Morgan by Sir William Morgan in the presence of Harry Vell'. John further said that Sir William was never in possession of Durantes feld and never paid rent for it, but he, John, had been in peaceable possession for 30 years by grant of his father Sir Thomas ap Morgan. If his father had a right to the land, he should also have a right by virtue of this grant.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: 23 H.8 Sir W Morgans  
pretence of title to Durrants field from one Sealf

Paper, torn, top partly missing.

675. N.d. [?1534].

Office copy of interrogatories to be administered on the part of Sir William Morgan, knight, for the title of Durhamfeld [Durantsfield], to prove that Thomas Buttrye and John Lewes were heirs of the body of Jankyn Self, who was himself the right heir of 'Olde' Self to whom the gift of Durhamfeld was made.

List of 8 questions to be asked, followed by depositions of witnesses: --- Jones of Bristol, draper, sworn 23 October 26 Henry VIII [1534]; Thomas Owen of Newport, husbandman, sworn 24 October 1534.

Paper, sewn at head; very fragmentary and fragile; formerly 6 or 7 folios, much of 4th now missing, 5th mostly missing, 6th and possible 7th only present at stitching.

676. N.d. [after July 1530].

Answer of George ap Morgan to Provost Lupton's bill of complaint concerning his illegal entry into the messuage and lands called durantsfield.

Incomplete office copy which appears to say that George realized that he could not get justice in the manor court so on the Monday [after Relic Sunday] 22 [?Henry VIII, 11 July 1530] he and three



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servants entered the premises. Shortly after this messages (or messengers?) were sent on behalf of Lupton to George requiring him to prove his lawful possession, otherwise he would be evicted. For dread whereof and for greater surety, he caused a certain piece of dyke round the house, hitherto unscoured, to be scoured; whereupon Lupton, to put him to more cost and trouble, and knowing George to be sick, made a complaint before the King's Commissioners in the Marches of Wales, alleging that George had wrongfully entered the premises, and obtained the King's letters missive directed to George Morgan ordering him to appear in person before the Commissioners on a certain day. On this day George did not appear because of his sickness but sent his excuse. After this the Provost a second time obtained from the Commissioners other letters of the King directed to George ap Morgan, ordering him to appear before the Commissioners, upon which letters George appeared, despite his sickness, at Brignourth [Bridgnorth, Salop].

Because the Commissioners realized that George was not sufficiently recovered, and because the title of the message, meadow and pasture ought to be tried within the lordship of Goldcliff, they licensed George to depart and remitted the matter to be tried in the courts of the lordship according to the laws and customs of the manor: \*without that that he entered the premises with force and that he had with him more people than he has already confessed, and that he caused a trench to be cast about the premises of such breadth and depth as the bill asserts, or pitched any sharp stakes in the bottom of the trench, or put trusses of hay upon a bulwark that he made round about the underside of the trench, or that he made any bulwark there, or that he brought within the trench 6 great guns or any smaller number of guns, or furnished the trench with morespikys, bows, arrows, bills or any weapons, or that he has any such number of men at his command as is alleged; or that he was ever commanded by the King's Commissioners to avoid his possession of the premises. All these matters George is ready to prove and he prays to be dismissed out of the same court.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: George Morgans answer to Dr Luptons bill & other papers relating to a suit about Durants field

Paper, 2 folios sewn head to tail, top of 1st folio defective.

\* Without that: obs. translation of Law French sans ceo que, a form whereby a defendant asserted special matter of exception or justification against a plaintiff's claim while reserving his denial of the whole cause of action.

677. N.d. [after July 1530].

Replication of Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, to the answer of Sir William Morgan, knight.

Provost Lupton says that everything in his bill of complaint is true, and not said to put Sir William to vexation and expense as Sir William surmises; and that Sir William's answer is uncertain and insufficient in law to be replied to, and does not directly answer the bill of complaint.

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The Provost replies that he, at the repeated requests of Sir William, demised the premises to John ap Morgan for term of years, by virtue whereof John was in possession until George ap Morgan, with up to 40 of the King's tenants of the lordship of Newport and Wentloog where Sir William is steward, forceably and riotously on Monday after Relic Sunday 22 [?Henry VIII, 11 July 1530] entered the premises and expelled John ap Morgan, tenant and farmer of the College.

Sir William has often laboured to have the Provost grant a lease for years of the premises to him and his wife, and because the lease has been denied him and because of disagreements with his brother John, Sir William caused George ap Morgan to claim the premises in the Provost's court as copyhold as youngest son and heir of Sir Thomas ap Morgan, father of William and George, after the custom of the lordship of Goldcliff. And thereupon George ap Morgan, in the same court, commenced a plaint and put in pledges to pursue his plaint upon pain of £10; and also George, upon complaint made to the Princess's Council about his riotous demeanour, was commanded by the Council to vacate the premises, which he accordingly did.

And after, Sir William, mistrusting that the claim would be tried against George, fained title to the lands to himself and his heirs in fee simple at common law as son and heir of Sir Thomas ap Morgan, although Sir William knows that he cannot prove title. He has claimed that the premises were given to one Self and his heirs by the lords of Goldcliff, and pretends to have the interest of the said Self; and by virtue of the feigned titles, Sir William made a lease of the premises to his brother George ap Morgan for term of years, by force of which George, at Sir William's command, riotously re-entered the premises and holds them still, notwithstanding any command from the Princess's Council.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: Prov: Luptons Reply to Sir W Morgan concerning Durantsfield forcibly kept by George Morgan.

Endorsed in contemporary hand: the Replicacion  
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678/1, 2. N.d.

Office copy of the final part of ECR 64/677, now two separate sheets, formerly sewn and part of a longer paper copy.  
ECR 64/678/1 damaged and text is partly missing.

679. N.d.

Provost Lupton's replication to George Morgan's answer.

The Provost claims that everything in the bill of complaint is true, and that the messuage and lands are customary lands held of the manor of Goldcliff by copy of court roll after the custom of the manor, and are leased to John ap Morgan for term of years at the special instance of Sir William ap Morgan; and that John occupied the lands until expelled by George ap Morgan and other riotous persons. The Provost says he knows of no grant made by the lords of the manor to Thomas ap Morgan, father of the said George, and Jane his wife, as is claimed in George's answer.

Incomplete paper copy, endorsed in early 18th century angular hand:  
The Prov: Luptons Reply to George Morgans answer. referring to a lease made to Joh: Morgan.

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680. N.d.

Articles of enquiry concerning Sir William Morgan and George ap Morgan's claims and actions:

Item whether the said George had ...es bow arowes ... for the meyntenaunce of the said force of the [?said] Sir William Morgan or no...

Item whether the Erle of Worcestor amoved the said force

Item whether the said Sir William did Intreit the said Erle that he shuld not amove the said force ... if he did many slaughters shuld Inshew apou the amoveing of the said force

Item whether the said Sir William gave counsaill to the said George to pretend title to the premisses to have theym as a Copyhold

Item what lesse the said Sir William hath made to the said George of the premisses and what colour and title the said Sir William hath to make the same

Item what Fee the said Sir William hath of the said Provoust and College and for what cause he takith the said Fee

Item what comaundement the kinges counsaill in the marches of Walles hath sent to the said George to avoid the possession of the said mes[suage] and land called DurautesFeld

Item what letters the same Sir William hath mad and sent to the said counsaill for the defence and meyntenaunce of the said George in the premisses to contynue his Riotuose man[?ner]

Item whether the said George had any men owt of any of the lordshipes wher the said Sir William is Steward for the keping and meyntenynge of the said force or no.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: Articles of enquiry concerning Sir W. Morgan & Georg Morgan Durants field

Paper, top missing.

681. N.d.

Answers of George ap Morgan to interrogatories concerning his forcible entry on Durantsfield. (Some of the answers could be replies to the articles of enquiry in ECR 64/680, but they do not follow the same order.)

Incomplete, top damaged. Answers are numbered, parts of 5 and 6 remain, and full text of 7 to 21; 3 paper folios, sewn head to tail, probably missing one folio completely as well as top of first extant folio.

682. N.d. [?1532].

Interrogatories on the part of Roger Lupton, Provost of Eton College, whereupon William Willkyns, Thomas Marten and John Leder were sworn.

Endorsed in contemporary hand: depossiss'

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: Interrogatories concerning the title to Durants field & to George Morgans forcible entry

Endorsed in a third hand: All These Paper are abt Durants Field etc

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683. N.d. [?1532].

Depositions of witnesses on the part of the Provost and College in the dispute between the College and Sir William Morgan and George ap Morgan concerning Durantsfield, examined 15 February 23 [?Henry VIII, 1532] and 31 October 24 Henry VIII [1532].

Depositions of William Wilkyns, witness on the part of the Provost, sworn 15 February 23 [?Henry VIII]; Thomas Marten and John Leder, sworn the same day; Richard Fitzwater, [clerk of lands, Eton College]; Master Harry Myn, clerk [Henry Mynne, Fellow of Eton 1509-1515], bursar of the College between 1 and 6 Henry VIII, sworn 31 October 24 Henry VIII.

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: Depositions of witnesses concerning the Coll: right to Durantsfield & George Morgans forcible entry there

Paper, 3 folios, pinned together at the head; torn and incomplete.

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LEGAL PAPERS IN SUIT BETWEEN DAVID WILLIAMS AND WILLIAM AP IEUAN,  
COLLEGE TENANTS OF THE HOUSE AND CORNMILL CALLED MILTON MILL,  
PLAINTIFFS, AND MORGAN AP MORGAN, DEFENDANT

684. N.d., endorsed 25 H.8 [1533/4, probably before 27 May 1533] Rejoinder of Morgan ap Morgan, defendant, in suit concerning Milton mill:

The defendant claims that [Reginald] Prior [of Monmouth], who had authority as surveyor to Eton College, leased the mill for 99 years to Morgan ap Jenkyn and Morgan ap Morgan, his son, the defendant. This lease has not yet expired, and by virtue of it the defendant occupies the mill.

He denies that he entered the mill forcibly as the complainants allege in their replication, or that William ap [Ieuan] was at any time in possession as tenant of Eton but only as tenant to Morgan ap Morgan.

The defendant further says that after his father, Morgan ap Jenkyn, took the lease of the mill, the water which supplied it dried up for a long period so that he got no benefit of it and had to purchase other [?lands] where there was running water; and by his industry and the expenditure of 100 marks and more he caused the mill to have a full course of water, which he would not have done had he not been assured of his possession for the term mentioned.

Enquiry was made of the homage who said that leases made by the Prior were good and still valid.

The defendant also denies that he is backed or supported by Sir William [?Morgan], knight, or has any other advantage from his kinship than right and equity demand. He denies that he expelled the plaintiffs forcibly after the privy seal delivered to them.

Endorsed: 25 H.8 Writing concerning a suit against Sir W. Morgan about Milton mill & other lands.

Fragile: 2 paper folios sewn head to tail, first folio partly missing and torn.



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685. 27 May 25 Henry VIII [1533].

Decree of the King's Council in the suit brought before them in Easter term 25 Henry VIII [1533] by David Williams and William ap Ieuan against Morgan ap Morgan.

The complainants claim that they hold the house and cornmill called Milton mill with appurtenances, and all waters, poles (?pools) and watercourses belonging, in Coldrey [Coldra] in Netherwent, by lease from Roger Lupton, Provost, and the College of Eton dated 6 October 22 Henry VIII [1530] and not yet expired. On 28 April 23 Henry VIII [1531] Morgan entered the premises and deforced the complainants.

The defendant claims that Prior Reynold, late Prior of Monmouth, who had authority to survey and let all manner of lands and tenements within the lordship of Goldcliff and Coldra belonging to Eton College, about 40 years ago leased the mill place called Cornemyll to one Morgan Jenkyn ap Philip and to Morgan ap Morgan, his son, for 99 years which are not yet expired.

It appears to the King's Council that Morgan ap Morgan has no such lease and never had, as he confessed verbally. The Council therefore orders that the complainants shall henceforth enjoy the house and mill without impediment until such time as Morgan shall prove his claim to a lease before the Council. Morgan is to pay £100 into the Exchequer if he does anything to disturb the peaceable possession of the complainants.

Subscribed: Ric Vuoleman  
William Sulyard

Endorsed in contemporary hand: a decre of mylton myln'

Endorsed in early 18th century angular hand: against Morgan ap Morgan

( The lease book, ECR 60/LB/1 fols. 127v-128r, contains a lease of 27 February 1491 for 21 years from Michaelmas last of the priory or lordship of Goldcliff and Coldra to Prior Reginald of Monmouth and William Fysshier of Clapham, Surrey, gent.)

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686. N.d. [?early 16th century].

Fragment of a petition of [?John Gryffith], requesting that restitution be made to him of 26s. 8d. wrongfully taken from him by Thomas Martyne, or else that the Bowers [?Bursars] or deputies or one of them, with Thomas Martyne, under sufficient sureties shall appear in person before 'your lordships' on a certain day to make answer, bringing with them the petitioner's copies [?of court roll], for further ordering of the matter.

Endorsed: John' Gryff'

LEGAL PAPERS IN SUIT BETWEEN PHILIP WILLIAMS, QUERIENT, AND  
WILLIAM MORGAN, DEFENDANT

687. Bridgnorth, 13 July 2 Elizabeth 1560.

Paper copy of order of the Queen's Council in the Marches of Wales to Philip Williams, plaintiff, and Charles Awbre, gent., for the defendant William Morgan, to appear again on 8 November next when the plaintiff is to prove that Geoffrey Danyell at a court held at Goldcliff on 5 July 7 Edward VI 1551 before Walter James Langley, his steward, granted by copy of court roll the 10 acres of meadow in brodemeade specified in the bill to the plaintiff to hold according to the custom of the manor for ever; also to prove that the land is copyhold land, and that it and a great part of the demesnes of the manor have customarily been let by copy according to the custom of the manor; and that Walter James was steward at the time.

He is also to prove that Geoffrey Danyell, at a court held at Goldcliff on 11 March 2 & 3 Philip & Mary 1556 by Richard Franklyn and Harry Aprychards, gents., then stewards, granted by copy of court roll the 8 acres specified in the bill to the plaintiff, to have to him and his heirs after the death of Gwenlean Rees, widow, now deceased; and that the lands were copyhold, accustomed to be let by copy according to the custom of the manor; and that the plaintiff was admitted tenant.

The defendant is to prove that Geoffrey Danyell, about 3 years past, demised his title to the manors of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey Coldra, and to the 10 acres, to the defendant for 21 years and that the defendant therefore entered into possession. He is also to prove that the 10 acres are part of the manor of Goldcliff. He is further to prove that the 8 acres came after the death of Gwenlean verch Rees into his possession as part of the manor of Goldcliff.

A letter, with the copies of their books enclosed, is to be directed to the gentlemen undernamed (Anthony Welshe, esq., and Thomas Meredud, gent.), desiring them to call both parties with their witnesses on both sides before them to examine them; and to send their depositions in writing, enclosed in the certificate under sign and seal to the Council.

Endorsed: Roger Daniel plaintiff 10 Acres in Brodemead & 8 2 Eliz  
An order from the Commissioners for both parties to appear

(Roger Daniel appears to be wrong but none of the documents is wholly clear on the identity of plaintiff and defendant.)

688. N.d.

Answer of William Morgan to the complaint of Philip Williams concerning the 10 and 8 acres at Goldcliff.

Endorsed (?incorrectly): 4 Eliz. A decree at Ludlow for Phil.  
Williams plaintiff against Wm Morgan Esq defendant about 8 Acres  
& 10 copyhold

Endorsed in an earlier hand:  
summa vj<sup>l</sup> xij<sup>s</sup>  
new money xv<sup>s</sup> x<sup>d</sup> (deleted) xix<sup>s</sup>  
spanyshe money xxij<sup>s</sup> x<sup>d</sup>  
demi souveraynges iij<sup>l</sup> x<sup>s</sup>  
frenche crowns iij<sup>l</sup> xvj<sup>s</sup>

689. N.d. [before 21 February 1562].

Part of depositions of witnesses in suit between William Morgan and Philip Williams: the first deposition (part only) states that the 8 acres came to the defendant after the death of Gwenllian; the second witness testifies that he believes that the lordship of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldra and the 10 acres were held by lease for 21 years by the defendant.

Endorsed: Depositions Between William Morgan and Phe Wms

690. Ludlow, 21 February 4 Elizabeth I [1562].

Certified copy of an order made by the Queen's Council in the Marches of Wales in a suit between Philip Williams, querient, and William Morgan, esq., defendant:

Harry Williams, son of the plaintiff, on behalf of the plaintiff, and Charles Awbrey, gent., attorney, acting on behalf of the defendant, appeared at Ludlow on 21 February 1562 before the Queen's Council in the Marches of Wales, where the matter was heard and examined and the depositions of witnesses for both parties were read.

The plaintiff proved the copy and grant made to him of 8 acres of land, and also proved that copyhold lands within the manor of Goldcliff were let to certain persons and their heirs, and also for term of lives and in fee and fee tail, whereas the defendant did not prove anything to avoid the said copy. Therefore the Council orders that the plaintiff shall enjoy the 8 acres without let or molestation of the defendant or his representatives until the defendant shall show better matter in this court.

The plaintiff did not prove that the 10 acres were accustomed to be let by copy, therefore the Court orders that the defendant is dismissed out of the court for the 10 acres until the plaintiff shall show better matter in this court or elsewhere to entitle him to the land.

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691. N.d.

Rice Arney, querient, an infant prosecuting through Margaret Thomas, his mother and guardian, v. Edward Morgan, esq., defendant.

Brief summarizing the bill exhibited 7 November 1 James I [1603], no court specified but ECR 64/693 says that Rice Arney exhibited an English bill in the Marches of Wales; response, replication, rejoinder, depositions of witnesses in response to interrogatories on behalf of the querient (fols. 3-6) and defendant (fols. 7-9), exhibited 6 March 1 James I [1604], concerning the right of Rice Arney to inherit a copyhold tenement in Goldcliff, lately held by his uncle David Arney, deceased, by custom of the manor (Borough English).

Marginal annotations in a different hand and ink.

Endorsed: 16 H.8 8 Eliz. 22 Eliz.

9 paper folios tied at top left by a parchment tag.

692. Monmouth, 4 March 1602 [1602/3].  
Opinion of John Walter, Monmouth, to [?Provost and Fellows of Eton -  
addressed to 'Your Worshippes'] concerning the custom of the manor  
respecting grants by copy of court roll to a man and lineal heirs  
of his body. If the homage brings a presentment contrary to the  
interests of the lord, the best course will be to take it to law.

693. N.d. [after 20 September 1605, the last date cited].  
Henry Coles, querient, v. Robert Gent, defendant

Breviate of points at issue between the parties, with reference  
to witnesses and documents adduced in evidence. Coles and Roger  
Randolphe were farmers of the manor of Goldcliff, Gent a  
customary tenant. The issues concern a load of barley and  
reprisals taken by both parties, and the custom of the manor  
whereby lands revert to the lord for default of heirs of the  
body of the purchaser. Arney v. Morgan is cited in evidence.

Endorsed: Coles - Gent. A Breviott in the tryall of Arnye for  
lands reverted for wante of issue of the bodye of the Purchaser.  
Paper of directions.

694. N.d.  
Similar to ECR 64/693, in a different hand, with slight  
differences in the marginalia. Presumably a copy in a single hand.

Endorsed: Evidence for the custome of Goldcliffe  
Escheat for want of Heyres

695. 12 November 6 James I [1608]. \*  
Certified copy of decree of the court in the suit between Thomas  
Haswell, Edward Rumsey, Ralph Dunford and James Jones, querients,  
and Jerman (Jermanus) Baker, defendant, concerning fines payable in  
the manor of Goldcliff upon descent of land on death or surrender.

The plaintiffs, who are farmers of the manor from the Provost and  
College of Eton, claim that fines have always been arbitrary; the  
defendant claims that they are fixed at 2s. an acre.

The court, having examined depositions of witnesses and court rolls  
from Henry VI to Elizabeth, decrees that fines have always been  
arbitrary, but orders the plaintiffs not to take advantage of the  
defendant on this occasion provided he acknowledges his error in  
open court and pays the fine demanded.

Endorsed: The Decree for Goldcliffe, compar'd with the Record

6 Jacobi 1<sup>mi</sup> The fines are not certaine viz. 2s per acr but at the  
will of the Lord

\* In a later case, Whichcott v. Morgan, in Chancery, this decree is  
referred to as having been issued in the same court. This must  
therefore be a decree in Chancery.



696. N.d. [1624 x 1639].

Morgan v. the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, in Chancery.

Joint and several answers of the Provost and College and of Sir Henry Wotton, knight, Provost, John Hales and Richard Bateman, bursars, and Thomas Weaver, one of the Fellows of Eton College, defendants, to the bill of complaint of Edward Morgan, esq.

The College claims that Morgan is bound to perform covenants contained in the indenture made to William Morgan of Llantarnam by William Day, Provost, and the College, 20 February 5 Elizabeth [1563] of the manors of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra], whereby he was bound to pay rent and 30 oxen yearly, renewed 20 May 11 Elizabeth [1569] with the payment of 30 oxen repeated.

Paper, 18 folios, sewn top left.

697. N.d.

Legal copy of agreement of 22 June 25 Elizabeth I [1583] between William Day, Provost of Eton, and the College, and Edward Morgan of Llantarnam [Llantarnam], Monmouthshire, esq., sole executor of William Morgan, late of Llantarnam, deceased.

Recites leases of the manor of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra] made by the Provost and College of Eton:

7 August 38 Henry VIII [1546] to Sir William Harberte [Herbert], knight, for 20 years for £101 p.a.;

11 October 2 & 3 Philip & Mary [1555] to Jeferie Daniell, esq., for 20 years for £101 p.a.;

20 February 5 Elizabeth I [1563] to William Morgan for 80 years to commence either the Michaelmas after the date of the indenture or from the expiry of the two previous leases for 20 years, paying £53 10s. p.a. and 30 oxen (size and age specified), with fines for non-delivery. Morgan chose to begin the lease from the expiry of the previous leases which left the College unprovided with oxen in the interim, therefore by an agreement between the College and William Morgan of 20 May 11 Elizabeth I [1569] Morgan covenanted to deliver 30 oxen yearly as specified in the lease until the 1563 lease came into effect. William Morgan, and after his death Edward Morgan, have accordingly paid the oxen to the College yearly.

The intention of the present indenture is that the payment of the oxen shall cease and a money payment be substituted: £3. 6s. 8d. for each of the lesser size and £4 for the larger; Morgan is also to pay the College £30 which, with the sums above, is to be accounted at the rate of £4. 13s. 4d. an ox. In return the Provost and College release Morgan from all covenants and agreements in the deed of 20 May 1569. Morgan covenants to pay in lieu of the 30 oxen mentioned in the deeds of 20 May 1569 and 20 February 1563 £46. 13s. 4d. thrice yearly, with a right of distraint for default, plus £10 penalty for each default. The Provost and College covenant not to demand, distraint or sue Morgan for the oxen reserved in the lease for 80 years; they will upon request and at Morgan's expense make sufficient acquittances for money paid by Morgan. If the yearly payments are 6 months in arrears, the College may re-enter the premises. If the College sues or distrains Morgan for the oxen, the covenants concerning payment in this agreement shall cease, and the College shall for the rest of the term of 80 years have the 30 oxen or the sums specified in the indenture made to William Morgan. If the College compels Morgan to pay the 30 oxen reserved in the lease to William Morgan, they are to repay all money they should have received in lieu according to this agreement. Morgan covenants that he is true owner of the lease granted to William Morgan.

Endorsed: Robert Daly

Endorsed in a different hand: Copy of Lease to Mr Morgan of the Manor of Goldclyff

Paper, 17 numbered folios, sewn at head.

698. Westminster, 13 October 1653.

Order of the Keepers of the Liberty of England by authority of Parliament to Suzan Herne, widow, and Joseph Herne, esq.: recites an order in Chancery of 6 October 1653 in a suit between Jeremy Whitchcott, esq., plaintiff, and Suzan Herne, widow, Joseph Herne, esq., and others, defendants, by request of the plaintiff's counsel, Mr Peck, that Joseph Herne do bring into court the original agreement written by John Herne and subscribed by John and Suzan Herne, according to his offer in his answer, and that Mr Page, one of the Masters of the Court, is to certify whether the answer of Joseph and Suzan Herne is irrelevant (impertinent) or not. The Order charges Suzan and Joseph Herne to observe and perform everything in the recited order that concerns them.

Subscribed: Lenthall Love

Endorsed: A writt of Execucion of an order betweene Whitchcott and Herne  
Love

LEGAL PAPERS IN SUIT: WHICHCOTT AND OTHERS v. MORGAN AND OTHERS,  
IN CHANCERY

699-702. N.d. [?1655-6]

Four nearly identical copies of breviate in case between Christopher Whichcott, esq., and others, plaintiffs, and Thomas Morgan, esq., and others, defendants.

The brief recites the effect of the plaintiffs' bill, defendants' rejoinders, and the issues that need to be proved concerning the fine payable by tenants of the manor of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra]. The defendants were accused of trying to overthrow ancient custom by claiming that fines should be certain, not arbitrary.

Marginal notes differ slightly.

All copies endorsed: Whichcott Con' Morgan pro quer'

EGR 64/702 endorsed: Breviate Whichcott Contra Morgan pro quer'

In a different hand: These four Parcels are all the same as farr as they reach 1718

703. N.d. [?Easter - Michaelmas terms, 1656].

Whichcott v. Morgan: brief on part of plaintiffs: summarises the bill of complaint and stages through which the case has gone:

19 May 1655: Cause came to a hearing and a trial at law was directed to ascertain whether the lord of the manor might impose a fine on descent or surrender of more than 2 years chief rent;

31 January last [?1656]: the issue ordered to be tried at the Bar of the Court of Common Bench by a jury from Herefordshire, and that the depositions used in Haswell and others v. Jerman Baker should be used in evidence;

29 June 1653: ordered that the court books and rolls should be brought into Court.

Move for a new trial next term at the Bar by the same jury or one from another county provided it is not Monmouthshire.

Endorsed: Whichcott Con' Morgan Breife pro quer'

Tuesday 10. Junii in Chauncery No E

LEGAL PAPERS: WHICHCOTT v MORGAN

704. N.d.

Whichcott v. Morgan.

Notes taken by counsel, probably Thomas Weaver who subscribed it, headed 'Goldcliffe directions out of Sir Henrie Savill his observacions' [Savile was Provost of Eton from March 1596 to February 1622 so his observations may have related to the case between Haswell and others and Baker]:

The question in Chancery is whether the copyholders of Goldcliff, upon descent and alienations, are to pay a certain fine of 2s. an acre or an arbitrary one. It is not denied that the third kind of copyhold, where the land has escheated to the lord and is then purchased from him, is arbitrary.

The notes refer to the most material statements out of the depositions for the College.

Signed by Thomas Weaver.

705. N.d. [? March, year torn off].

Legal copy of lease for 21 years of 20 September 1651 by the Provost and Fellows of Eton College to Christopher Whichcoat of New Windsor, esq., Jeremy Whichcoate of the Inner Temple, esq., now Warden of the Fleet, and Thomas Wood of London, merchant, of the priory or manor of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra] in Netherwent in Monmouthshire, with all lands and rights appertaining.

Because Thomas Wood is now dead, Christopher and Jeremy Whichcote have appointed John Cresset of New Windsor, Berkshire, esq., their attorney with authority to agree and compound with the tenants for all fines payable by them, to receive rents and fines and to make leases for terms of years not exceeding 14.

Endorsed (twice): Je: Whichcot

706. N.d. [after 1655].

Whichcott, esq. & others, plaintiffs, v. Philipp Robin, defendant, in a plea of trespass upon the case, Whichcott v. Morgan.

On 19 May 1655 the Court of Chancery ordered that a feigned action should be brought in the name of the plaintiffs in Whichcott v. Morgan against any one defendant, and the tenants might join in defence, in pursuance of which the plaintiffs brought this action.

Breviate, giving stages so far, and points to be proved.

Endorsed: pro q' Whichcott Con' Robbin Tryall ? No E

707. N.d. [17 October 1660 according to ECR 64/708 which cites it] Folio 1 only of draft articles of arbitration of Edmund Morgan of Newport, Monmouthshire, esq., Robert Aldworth of Bristol, esq., Nathaniel Ingelo of Eton College, Bucks., Doctor of Divinity, John Cressett of London, esq., James Jones of Caerleon, Monmouthshire, gent., and Phillip Dorney of Bristol, gent., in the dispute between Christopher Whichcott, esq., Sir Jeremy Whichcott, knight and bart., formerly esq., and Sir John Trevor, knight, farmers under Eton College, of the one part, and Thomas Morgan, esq., and others of the other, the copyhold tenants of the manor of Goldcliff and Nash in Monmouthshire, concerning fines payable upon admittance upon descent or surrender of copyhold lands, in Chancery.

The Provost, College and farmers have entered a petition to the House of Lords and all parties have agreed to arbitration.

707 (cont.)

Endorsed: Goldcliff & Nash Com Monmouth. Agreemt by Coll' & Tents to pay 3s. 6d. per Acre fine for Alienacion surr' & discents Draft of an Agreemt for Fines certain at 3s. 6d. per acr'.

Only the first two articles of arbitration remain, but the whole document is cited in ECR 64/708.

708. N.d.

Certified office copy of decree in Chancery of 13 November 12 Charles II [1660] in Christopher Whichcott, esq., Thomas Wood, esq., Jeremy Whichcott, then esq., now knight baronet, and Sir John Trevor, knight, plaintiffs, v. Thomas Morgan, esq., Edward Herbert, esq., George Kemeys, Philip Robbin, Edward Jones, Walter Williams, etc., customary and copyhold tenants of the manor of Goldcliff, defendants, in Chancery.

Recitals: 20 May 1652 plaintiffs exhibited a bill of complaint in Chancery (fols. 1-23); defendants subpoenaed to appear to answer the bill; order of 14 June 1657 added the names of the Provost and Fellows of Eton as joint plaintiffs (fols. 24-5); the parties agreed to refer their differences to arbitrators (fol. 26); award of Edmond Morgan of Newport, esq., Robert Aldworth of Bristol, esq., Nathaniel Ingelo of Eton College, D.D., John Cressett of London, esq., James Jones of Caerleon, gent., and Phillipp Dorney of Bristol, gent., 17 October 1660 (fols. 27-34), with subscription whereby the parties assent to abide by the award (fols. 34-42).

Decree of 13 November 12 Charles II [1660] of Lord Chancellor and the Court of Chancery, with the consent of the parties, that all suits in being between the parties concerning the premises, and the petition of the Provost, College and farmers to the House of Lords, shall cease and be no further prosecuted; and that from henceforth the fines to be imposed upon alienations, surrenders and descents shall be at the rate set by the arbitrators' award, 3s. 6d. an acre; and arrears of fines not yet paid shall be paid at this rate; and for every estate for life passed or to be passed by husband to wife, a fine of 21d. an acre shall be paid; and all parties shall be for ever bound by this decree (fols. 42-6).

Subscribed: Ex by Da Jenkins

Paper, 45 folios, sewn at head, fol. 46 used as wrapper, torn and detached.

709-715. Original leases produced in Whichcott and others v. the copyhold tenants of Goldcliff, 1652-1660:

709. 1 February 14 Charles I [1639].

Lease for 21 years, indented.

(1) Edward Morgan of Llantarnam, Mon., esq.

(2) Phillip William Jenkin of Gouldclift [Goldcliff], Mon., miller. Mill commonly called Gouldclift Myllne with appurtenances, together with all mill ponds, mill dams, stanks, streams and watercourses appertaining, situated in the parish of Goldcliff.

Rent: £12 p.a.

Right of re-entry if the rent or part thereof is 15 days in arrear. Covenant about repair and maintenance. (2) to have right to take wood and timber from Prior's wood for repairing the mill, to be delivered by (1)'s bailiff. (2) is not to assign any part of the premises without (1)'s consent in writing.

Signed and sealed by (1).



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709-715. Original leases produced in Whichcott v. Morgan:

710. 9 May 1651.

Counterpart lease for 7 years, indented.

(1) Sir John Trevor of Acton, Middlesex, knight, and Francis Rowse of Acton, esq.

(2) William Keene, sen., of Goldcliff, Mon., yeoman.

Farm and manor house of Goldcliff called the Hill where (2) now dwells, and all lands and appurtenances now in the possession of (2) as undertenant of (1), containing 80 acres, and the tithing barn of Whitstone Whitson, with tithes appertaining, late in the possession of Morgan Lewes, deceased.

Rent: £55 p.a.

Right of re-entry if rent is 14 days in arrear. Covenant about repair and maintenance. (2) may have timber from Prior's wood for repairs from the bailiff of the manor. (2) indemnifies (1) against charges arising during the term.

Signed by Elizabeth Keene, 1 seal.

Witnesses to sealing endorsed.

Endorsed: Papers Relating to the Cause in Chancery between Whichcott & the Copyhold Ten<sup>ts</sup> of Goldcliffe for Arbitrary Fines 1652

In a smaller hand: This Matter is settled by a Decree in Chancery A<sup>o</sup> 1660 a - 7

In a third hand: William Keene his Counterpart

This lease was presumably the outer labelled one of a bundle of leases produced in evidence.

711. 9 May 1651.

Counterpart lease for 7 years, indented.

(1) Sir John Trevor of Acton, Middlesex, knight, and Francis Rowse of Acton, esq.

(2) William Keene of Goldcliff, Mon., yeoman, William Keene, jun., of Langatwood Llangatwg, Mon., yeoman.

Farm called Moorepen Farm and all lands appertaining, containing 99 acres, now in the possession of Joane Lewes.

Rent: £55 p.a.

Right of re-entry if the rent is 14 days in arrear. Similar covenants about repair and indemnification as in ECR 64/710.

Signed and sealed by William Keene; other seal tag lacks signature and seal.

Witnesses to sealing endorsed.

Endorsed: perusal Wm Keene Elder Wm Keene Ju: Counterparte To William Screene by way of Assignmt.

712. 9 May 1651.

Lease for 7 years, indented.

(1) Sir John Trevor of Acton, Middlesex, knight, and Francis Rowse of Acton, esq.

(2) William Dapwell of Goldcliff, Mon., gent.

Tithing barn of Goldcliff with all tithes belonging, the tithes of Morepen Farm and the Hill excepted.

Rent: £32 p.a.

Right of re-entry if rent is 28 days in arrear. (2) indemnifies (1) against all charges arising during the term.

Signed by John Trevor and Francis Rous; only part of 2nd seal remains.

Witnesses to sealing endorsed.

Endorsed: ... Dapwell his lease

Repaired.

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709-715. Original leases produced in Whichcott v. Morgan:

713. 9 May 1651.

Counterpart lease for 7 years, indented.

- (1) Sir John Trevor of Acton, Middlesex, knight, and Francis Rowse of Acton, esq.
- (2) Richard Harris of Christchurch, Mon., gent, William Screene of Christchurch, carpenter, Henry Thomas of Christchurch, husbandman.

Tithing barn of Christchurch with the tithes belonging.

Rent: £86 p.a.

Right of re-entry if the rent is 28 days in arrear. (2) indemnify (1) against all charges arising during the term.

2 seals remain, 1 missing; Harris's signature, Screene's mark.

Attached with a pin: N.d.

Instruction from John Thacham to Mr Torney to make ready the two declarations upon the leases which he delivered the previous day, because James Jones, the defendants' attorney, is come to town. He must declare in the names of Christopher Whichcott, esq., Jeremy Whichcott, esq., and Thomas Wood, esq., assignees to the lessors.

Witnesses to sealing endorsed.

Endorsed: Richard Harris

Wm Screene                      Counterparte  
Henry Thomas

714. 9 May 1651.

Lease for 7 years from 25 March last, indented.

- (1) Sir John Trevor [of Acton], Middlesex, knight, and [Francis] Rowse of Acton, esq.
- (2) Edmond Guilding of Nash, Mon., yeoman.

Tithing barn of Nash with all tithes belonging.

Rent: £30 p.a.

Right of re-entry if rent is 28 days in arrear. (2) indemnifies (1) against all charges arising during the term.

Signed by Trevor and Rous, seals missing.

Witnesses to sealing endorsed.

Endorsed: Edmund Guilden Lease

Repaired.

715. 14 April 1655.

Lease for 3 years, indented.

- (1) Christopher Whichcott of New Windsor, Berks., esq., Thomas Wood of the City of London, esq., Jeremy Whichcott of the Inner Temple, London, esq.
- (2) Richard Harris of Christchurch, Mon., gent., and William Screene of Christchurch, carpenter.

Tithe barn of Christchurch with all tithes appertaining.

Rent: £80 p.a.

Right of re-entry if rent is 28 days in arrear. (2) to indemnify (1) against all charges arising during the term.

Signatures of Christopher Whichcott and Wood; 3 seals missing.

Witnesses to sealing endorsed.

Endorsed: William Screene his Lease for the Tithinge Barne of Christchurch.

716. N.d. [?1701].

Statement of the case of Henry Tomkins, esq., to the Provost and Fellows of Eton College.

Tomkins claims that Charles Morgan, gent., demised lands in the manor of Goldcliff called Monkcrofts and the parcels near Jestcroft and Durance Field, together with a fishery in the river Usk, to Isaach Tomkins, gent., by indentures dated 25 April 1680 and 5 October 1681, and that Isaach Tomkins became tenant according to the custom of the manor. After his death, the premises came to Henry Tomkins, his son, who accordingly entered and now stands seised. Henry wishes to alienate the estate but has been prevented by order of the College delivered by Lawrence Lord, jun., gent. He prays that he may not be debarred any further of the liberty every subject has by the laws and customs of the land to dispose of his estate to whomsoever he pleases.

Signed by Tomkins and written in his hand.

Endorsed: 1701. Mr Tomkyns State of his Case & letters when the College questioned his Title to the Copyhold-lands of Monkcroft & Durancefield but did not think fit to proceed to Tryall with him because upon search it appeared (by an old Rentall of Kittings) that those lands were held by Copy of Court Roll in 1584 (1684 deleted).

Paper, 2 fols., sewn at top left.

717. Carlyon [Caerleon] in Monmouthshire, 25 November 1701.

Letter from Henry Tomkins to Dr Godolphin, Provost of Eton College, at his house in Amen Corner near St Paul's Churchyard, with instruction to send it on to Eton if the Provost is not in London: Tomkins reminds the Provost that he promised him a decision by the beginning of December. His purchaser has withdrawn from the bargain because of the uncertainty of his title, and he is unlikely to get another while it remains in doubt. Since returning to the country he has met with a rental made by John Ketting, steward of Goldcliff manor, in 1584 showing Monkcrofts, Jestcrofts and Durantfield to be customary tenements then vested in Edward Morgan, esq., of Llantarnam, who had covenanted with the College to make a terrier or rental every 10 years during his lease. He can produce the rental if his word is doubted.

718. 18 December 1701.

Letter from Henry Tomkins to Provost Godolphin, pointing out that if the lands are copyhold, the fact would favour the College, not him, and pressing for a decision.

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719. 7 January 1701 [1701/2].

Letter from Henry Tomkins to Provost Godolphin, expressing satisfaction that the Provost was satisfied by his vindication of his right. He hopes that the Provost will hasten orders to Mr Lord to enable Tomkins to settle the affair.

720-723. Brewer v. Lord and Eton College, in Chancery:

720. 19 November 1711.

John Brewer v. Lawrence Lord and the Provost and Fellows of Eton College:

Bill of complaint of John Brewer to the Keeper of the Great Seal concerning his right to be admitted tenant of a copyhold estate in Goldcliff as heir to Nicholas Portreeve who died in July 1710.

Endorsed: Cop. Bill Brewer con' Eaton Colledge

Examinatur fo:16

In a different hand: 10 November 1711. Brewer ag<sup>t</sup> Lord & Eton College

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721. N.d. [after November 1711].

Draft answer of the Provost and College to the bill of complaint of John Brewer:

The Provost and College say that Laurence Lord holds the manor by lease from them; he has most of the court rolls, but they hold some. They admit that the estate in question is copyhold, held by Borough English, but do not know that Bridget Ravenant was ever seised of a customary estate of inheritance of the premises. They do not know the plaintiff's pedigree, but submit that he should be put to prove it. They admit that the plaintiff entered the premises on the death of Portreeve but do not know that he had any title; they hope he will be required to prove title. They have no knowledge of the affairs of the manor except through Lord and his agents, but they insist that, upon the death of Portreeve, the premises escheated to them. They submit to the judgement of the court.

Endorsed: College Answer to Brewer's Bill

In another hand: I beleive the College Corporate named is mistaken in the bill which the Compl<sup>ts</sup> Clerk may have notice to amend before the College put in their answer.

722. 17 March 1712 [1712/13].

Notice to the Provost and College of Eton from two of the Commissioners appointed by the Court of Chancery to examine witnesses on the part both of John Brewer, plaintiff, and of Laurence Lord and others, defendants, in a cause pending between them. They intend to execute their commission on 8 April at the Green Dragon inn in Newport, Monmouthshire, and require the addressees to be present.

723. N.d. [after November 1711].

Copy of the answer of Laurence Lord, esq., one of the defendants, to the bill of complaint of John Brewer, plaintiff:

Lord can find no evidence about Bridget Ravenant, from whom the plaintiff pretends to derive his title, nor whether she ever existed. He believes the plaintiff has no title to the premises, and is using the name of Bridget Ravenant to defeat the Provost and College of the escheat in default of a customary heir. Lord states that after the death of Portreeve, the plaintiff found means to get into possession of the premises before he or the Provost and



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College had notice of the death, and he applied to be admitted tenant as heir to Portreeve at a court held - October 1710. Lord refused his fine and directed his steward, Mr Kemeys, not to admit him in case there were other claimants with better title. Proclamations were made in open court for right heirs to make out their title to the premises. Lord denies the motives imputed to him by the bill of complaint, and denies using threatening language to the plaintiff or the jury. He submits to the judgement of the court.

Endorsed: Mr Lords Answer to Brewer's Bill

724. N.d. (copy of document of 23 September 1719).

Copy of depositions of witnesses on behalf of the plaintiff, John Morgan, esq., et al, plaintiffs, v. the Provost and Fellows of Eton College, defendants, in Chancery.

Copy of depositions on behalf of the plaintiffs taken at the Red Lion, Christchurch, Monmouthshire, 23 September 1719, by virtue of a commission issued out of Chancery to John Trigge, Henry Williams, George Howells and Robert Harries, concerning the fine payable to the lord of the manor on surrender or admittance (fols. 1-19);

interrogatories to be administered to witnesses produced on behalf of John Morgan, esq., Sir Charles Kemeys, bart., Charles Van, esq., Edward Bird, gent., Thomas Hill, Richard Harris, Margaret Thomas, Cecil George and Edward George (fols. 20-69).

Endorsed: Coldrey, co. Monmouth

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725. N.d. [1744].

Case for legal opinion, with opinion of Henry Proctor added, 29 November 1744, on two questions:

(1) whether Henry Morgan, esq., the tenant of the manor of Goldcliff, Nash and Coldrey [Coldra] by lease of 24 December 1725, due to expire shortly, which the tenant does not wish to renew, has the right to cut down the hoops and underwood growing in Prior's wood at any number of years' growth less than is usual there without being liable for impeachment of waste for doing so; whether the custom of the country determines what is waste; and if cutting underwood before time is waste, what is a proper remedy for the Provost and College to take?

(2) whether the Provost and College can lease the premises at any rent less than the usual and reserved rents?

Endorsed: Mr Proctor's opinion

Case for your Opinion

Brookland