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EDITORIAL METHOD

The aim of the edition is to provide an abstract in English but, since space allows, to give as much as possible of the flavour of the original. The opening formulae of place, date, and the justices, and the closing formula of the consideration, are fully abbreviated but the intermediate text follows the original as much as possible. Thus, for instance, where a woman appears as 'A who was the wife of B' this is given as such and not abbreviated to 'A widow of B'.

The fines are listed successively by the return date, and where the fine was made on one day, and granted and recorded on another, by the former. This means that the order in which the fine are presented here may differ slightly from the order in which they are numbered in the archive (each fine has a serial number printed on the verso, and this is the definitive number: numbers pencilled on the recto are not necessarily correct). Regnal years as king of France are not given.

All personal names and placenames, except the place where the fine was made, bishoprics, and suchlike, are given as in the fine, except for forenames when there is no or little doubt of the modern equivalent. Unusual or doubtful forenames are given as in the fine, or as a possible modern equivalent with the original in italics in parentheses after it. Exceptions are that Juliana and Dionisia are not translated (as Gillian and Denise). Measures of land, such as carucates, virgates, bovates, etc., are given as in the fine and not translated.

Editorial additions of modern dates and completed names are given in square brackets. Hiatuses in the text because of damage or other illegibility are indicated thus [. . .]. Editorial suggestions for the missing words or doubtful renderings are given in square brackets. The plea, if any, and the names of attorneys are given in parentheses. Counties added in parentheses are those given in the fine.

Where individual fines are mentioned, their numbers in this edition are given in **bold** type.

INTRODUCTION

Rutland Feet of Fines 1197–1509

The feet of fines are an important source for manorial and genealogical history, particularly for the medieval period, and it is difficult to exaggerate their significance. They form a large class within the public records and are one of most important benefits of that continuous record of English state involvement in private affairs which is the envy of historians studying other, less fortunate, countries.

FEET OF FINES

Many thousands of fines survive in The National Archives and they have been arranged in separate series. Most of them relate to property in a single county and these are arranged, county by county, in files. There are two other series of files, one of fines of property located in places which had not been identified, which is called 'Unknown Counties', and the other of fines which relate to property in more than one county, which is called 'Divers Counties' and 'Various Counties'. Fines relating to Rutland property in the latter series, some of which are noted below (pp14, 24), were used by the compilers of *VCH Rutland*, and no doubt there are some also in the 'Unknown Counties' series, but this edition is confined to the medieval fines in the file for Rutland itself. Other counties have several files covering the medieval period but all of those for Rutland are contained within one file.[1] The 355 fines between 1197 and 1509 form a neat little group, and the advantage of the smaller numbers is that trends over the three centuries may be seen clearly.

A foot of fine is the record of an agreement, the 'final concord' from which the abbreviation 'fine' is derived, resolving a dispute about property which was brought before the king's court. It was initiated by the purchase of a writ by one of the parties, the plaintiff, but the parties then sought permission to reach an agreement before the suit came to judgement. The terms of this agreement were written out three times on a sheet of parchment, the first two written head to head on the upper part of the sheet and the third across the lower part to form the 'foot'. The word '*chirographum*' was then written in large letters in the gaps between the two upper portions and between them and the lower portion. Finally the sheet was cut into three with indented or wavy lines through the word. Each of the parties to the agreement retained one of the upper parts, an 'indenture of fine', while the lower portion, the 'foot', was retained by the court. Should a dispute arise about the authenticity of either of the indentures of fine, this could be resolved by checking the fit against the other indenture and against the foot retained by the court.

The involvement of the king's court ensured that the final concord had an authority and permanence beyond those of a private agreement. In particular, the proclamation of the fine in court had the effect of barring any other claim to title in the property that was not put in at the time of the proclamation. As a consequence, it was quickly adopted as the most secure means of conveying property. None of the fines reveal whether the 'dispute' which was resolved was a real one or not, although some appear to be more likely than others, and by *c*1300 it is highly improbable that any were the result of real disputes. The heyday of the fine was the period from the mid-thirteenth to the mid-fourteenth century. A statute of 1360 removed the capacity of the fine to bar claims other than those made at the time which were recorded on the dorse of the foot. The conveyances they recorded were therefore less secure, and therefore less popular, after this date but still continued in use.

Chart 1 and Table 1 show the number of Rutland fines per decade while Table 2 shows the number of fines per reign from the earliest in the reign of Richard I to the latest towards the end of that of Henry VII. It is clear from these that the fine was most popular during the first half of the fourteenth century, with a peak of 35

[1] TNA CP25/1/192/1–11: the individual references are given at the end of the abstract of each fine (pp39-92).

fines in the decade 1317–26. Earlier peaks of 25 fines in 1247–56 and eighteen fines in 1257–66 are largely accounted for by the eyres of 1247, 1253, and 1263 when justices sat in the locality and which saw ten, five, and twelve fines respectively. It is also noticeable that eighteen of the 25 fines in the first decade were made at Northampton and seven of twelve fines of 1267–76 were made during the eyre of 1271. After 1346 there were never more fifteen fines in any decade. There were 59 fines in the first half of the thirteenth century, of which 25 were made locally, and 83 in the second half, of which 35 were made locally, at Northampton or Ketton or at Oakham during eyres. During the first half of the fourteenth century (1297–1347) there were 109 fines in all, compared with 48 in the second half, 33 in the first half of the fifteenth century, and a mere fifteen in the second half.

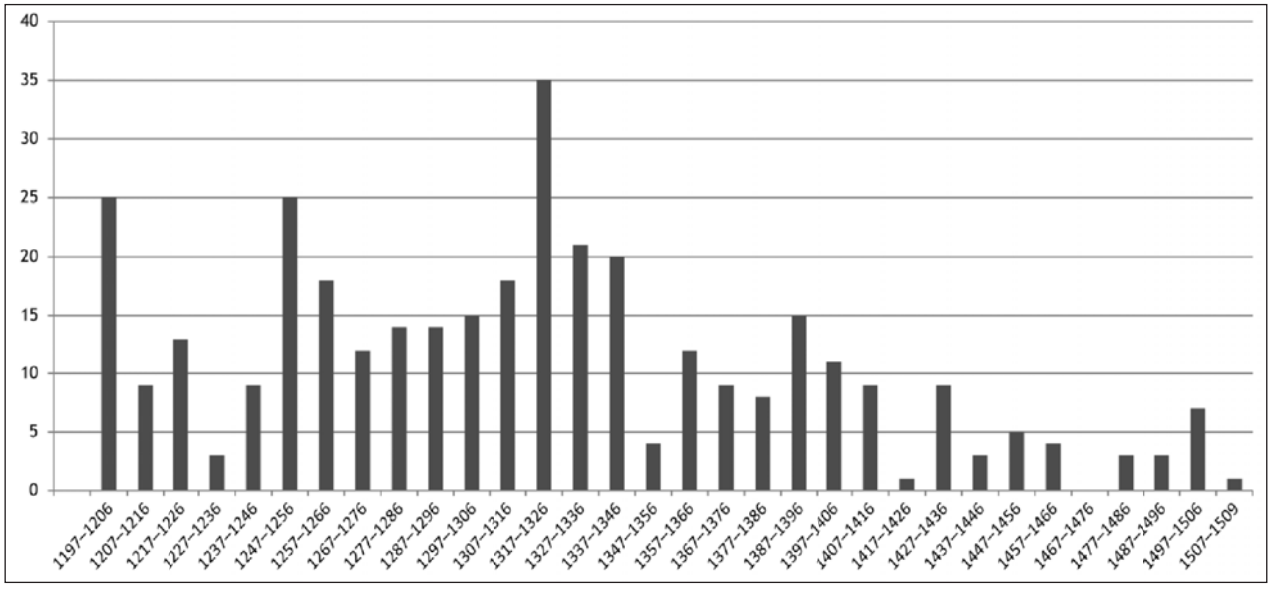

Chart 1. Numbers of fines per decade.

Decade	*No. of fines*
1197–1206	25
1207–1216	9
1217–1226	13
1227–1236	3
1237–1246	9
1247–1256	25
1257–1266	18
1267–1276	12
1277–1286	14
1287–1296	14
1297–1306	15

Decade	*No. of fines*
1307–1316	18
1317–1326	35
1327–1336	21
1337–1346	20
1347–1356	4
1357–1366	12
1367–1376	9
1377–1386	8
1387–1396	15
1397–1406	11
1407–1416	9

Decade	*No. of fines*
1417–1426	1
1427–1436	9
1437–1446	3
1447–1456	5
1457–1466	4
1467–1476	0
1477–1486	3
1487–1496	3
1497–1506	7
1507–1509	1
Total	355

Table 1. Numbers of fines per decade.

TNA ref CP25/	*King*	*Dates*	*No. of fines*	*Nos. in edition*
1/192/1	Richard I	1189–1199	8	1-8
1/192/2	John	1199–1216	26	9-34
1/192/3	Henry III	1216–1272	78	35-112
1/192/4	Edward I	1272–1307	45	113-157
1/192/5	Edward II	1307–1327	53	158-210
1/192/6	Edward III	1327–1377	66	211-276
1/192/7	Richard II	1377–1399	30	277-306

TNA ref CP25/	*King*	*Dates*	*No. of fines*	*Nos. in edition*
1/192/8	Henry IV	1399–1413	11	307-317
1/192/8	Henry V	1413–1422	3	318-320
1/192/9	Henry VI	1422–1461	17	321-337
1/192/10	Edward IV	1461–1483	6	338-343
1/192/10	Richard III	1483–1485	1	344
1/192/11	Henry VII	1485–1509	11	345-355
		Total	355	

Table 2. Numbers of fines per reign, showing TNA references and their numbers in this edition; the full TNA reference is given at the end of each abstract in square brackets.

FORM AND CONTENT OF FEET OF FINES

The fines follow a common format within which there was a great deal of variety in some aspects in the earlier fines although, as time went on, there was less variety.

Place

The fines were made in the king's court sitting in a number of places during the thirteenth century, but were exclusively at Westminster after 1286 except when the Bench was moved to York during the Scottish wars of the three Edwards and, briefly, in 1392. Fines were made at York in 1298–1304, 1320, 1322–3, 1328, 1333–7, and 1392, and one was made in 1283 when the Bench was at Shrewsbury during the Welsh wars. Prior to 1286 the majority of fines were made during general eyres when justices itinerant moved around the country hearing pleas at local centres, not all of which can now be identified. Of 128 fines made in the ninety years between 1197 and 1286, only 48 were made at the Bench, with 66 being made locally at Oakham, Northampton or Ketton and fourteen elsewhere. The earliest of those in which the justices are specified as being 'itinerant' was made at Northampton in May 1219 (**35**), but the justices had also been sitting at Northampton for seven fines made early in 1199, one in October 1199, ten in September 1202, and one in November 1210. No fewer than 38 fines were made during the Rutland eyres of 1247 (ten), 1253 (five), 1263 (twelve), 1271 (seven), and 1286 (four), all a Oakham, with another five made at Ketton, two in June 1219 and three during the eyre of September 1240, and four at Northampton during the eyres of 1219, 1253 and 1284. Most of the others were also made before justices itinerant sitting at Cattishall, Coventry (two), Hereford, Leicester, Lichfield, Lincoln, and Nottingham. As has been seen above, the popularity of fines did not decline when it was no longer possible to have them made locally but the quality of those who used them may have altered (see p11).

The Domesday association between Rutland and Northamptonshire may help to explain why so many early Rutland fines came to be made at Northampton. Rutland was slow to emerge as a county (Phythian-Adams 1980), and perhaps the association with Northamptonshire was still preserved in judicial memory (a similar association with Nottinghamshire had no such effect, and medieval links with Leicester were insignificant). It is no surprise, though, to find that once Oakham, with its fine castle Great Hall dating from *c*1180, had developed into the county's administrative and manorial centre a significant number of fines were made there; the castle was held directly of the crown, and Henry III, for example, visited at least seven times (Clough 1987, 17). The importance of Ketton as a place for the administration of justice in medieval Rutland, close though it is to the Great North Road and to the important town of Stamford in neighbouring Lincolnshire, is less easy to understand. However, this manor too was a royal one, and at the time of the fines made there in 1219 and 1240 had been granted by Henry III to the influential William de Warenne, Earl of Surrey (*d* 1240). This and the fact that the advowson was a prebend of the Bishop of Lincoln perhaps indicates that Ketton's status in the early thirteenth century did indeed make it an appropriate place for the justices itinerant to sit.[1]

Decade	*No. of fines*	*Bench*	*Northampton*	*Oakham*	*Ketton*	*Other*
1197–1206	25	6	18	–	–	1
1207–1216	9	5	1	–	–	3
1217–1226	13	9	1	–	2	1
1227–1236	3	3	–	–	–	–
1237–1246	9	3	–	–	3	3
1247–1256	25	5	1	15	–	4
1257–1266	18	5	–	12	–	1
1267–1276	12	5	–	7	–	–
1277–1286	14	7	2	4	–	1
Total	128	48	23	38	5	14

Table 4. Places where fines were made until 1286.

Date

The date given is that of the 'return day', which was the day beginning the week in which the writ initiating the action had to be returned and the parties were to be present in court. The actual date on which the fine was made might be any time during the following week. The return days were related to certain feasts which corresponded with the law terms of Hilary, Easter, Trinity, and Michaelmas, and were the morrow, the octave (the week after), the quindene (two weeks after), three weeks, one month, or five weeks, from the feast. Some

[1] I am grateful to Tim Clough for contributing this paragraph.

of these were fixed and some moveable. The fixed ones were Hilary (13 January), the Purification of the Virgin Mary (2 February), the Nativity of St John the Baptist (24 June), Michaelmas (29 September), All Souls (2 November), and St Martin (11 November), while the moveable ones were Easter, Ascension, and Trinity. Ascension Day was the Thursday following Rogation Sunday which was the fifth Sunday after Easter Day, and Trinity Sunday was the Sunday after Pentecost which was the seventh Sunday after Easter Day. There were four return days for each law term, except for Michaelmas for which there were eight, thus:

Hilary:	octave and quindene of Hilary (20 and 27 January), and morrow and octave of the Purification (3 and 9 February);
Easter:	quindene, three weeks, and one month from Easter, and either five weeks from Easter or the morrow of Ascension (these two being treated as equivalent);
Trinity:	octave of Trinity, either the quindene of Trinity or the morrow of St John (25 June), and the octave and quindene of St John (1 and 8 July);
Michaelmas:	octave, quindene, three weeks, and one month from Michaelmas (6, 13, 20, and 27 October), morrow of All Souls (3 November), and morrow, octave and quindene of St Martin (12, 18, and 25 November).

In some reigns the regnal year changed in the course of a term but practice in using the regnal year varied. In the Plea Rolls both regnal years are given but frequently in the Year Books only one regnal year is given (Cheney 1955, 69). This is also the case with the fines but the practice of the Year Books has been followed in this edition, as follows:

Edward I:	the Michaelmas term is treated as the last term of the regnal year;
Edward II:	the Trinity term is treated as the last term of the regnal year;
Richard II:	the Trinity term is treated as the first term of the regnal year.

The very earliest fines, and those made before justices on eyre, do not conform to this dating schedule. In the later part of the period many fines had two dates, being made at one and granted and recorded at a later one. The first such occurs in 1325 (**72**), but a quarter of those made from 1334 were so affected, 32 of 127 fines.

Justices

The justices named included all those present in the court but might also include others who were not present. They were appointed to the Bench of Common Pleas but, when sent out on eyre, they might be supplemented by local gentry such as Geoffrey de Armenters, who was sitting with them in 1240 at Ketton (**51–3**; fig. 2), and Bernard de Brus, who was sitting with them in 1263 at Oakham (**90–101**). The last seven fines from the reign of John record the presence of the king himself sitting with the justices and acting at *Thedosbur'* in July 1209, Northampton in November 1210, at *Cestre* in May 1211, and at Westminster in June, October, and December 1212 (**28–34**; fig. 1).

Fig. 1. Fine no 29, Northampton 1210, the king sitting, re the advowson of Uppingham (TNA CP25/1/192/2/21).

Biographies of many of the justices may now be found in the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography* (*ODNB*). In the earlier part of the period many of them were clergymen, royal clerks who had entered the king's service. Having proved their abilities and value to their sovereign, many were promoted to bishoprics, such as Eustace de Fauconberg (*d* 1228) (*ODNB* biographer Fred A Cazel Jr), William de Raleigh (*d* 1250)

(*ODNB*, David Crook), Silvester de Everdon (*d* 1254) (*ODNB*, Henry Summerson), William of York (*d* 1256) (*ODNB*, David Crook), and Simon de Wauton (*d* 1266) (*ODNB*, Alan Harding), who became bishops of London, Winchester, Carlisle, Salisbury, and Norwich respectively. Another of these justices, Roger de Seaton (d *c*1280), appears to have come from Seaton in Rutland. He started his career in canon law but in 1268 became one of the justices of the Common Bench, rising to become Chief Justice from 1274 to 1278. He held several valuable ecclesiastical livings but soon after his retirement from the bench he suffered a stroke and entered the Augustinian house at Thornton (Lincs.) (*ODNB*, Paul Brand). Some were substantial lay landholders, such as the Yorkshireman Richard Malebisse (*d* 1210) (*ODNB*, George Garnett) and Geoffrey Fitz Peter, earl of Essex (*d* 1213) (*ODNB*, F J West), who was also Justiciar of England. The duties which these men undertook were not confined to the judicial sphere and they might be engaged in various ways in the king's service. For their appearance as justices on Rutland fines, see Index III.

From early in the thirteenth century, however, there were also justices who were men of a type which became increasingly common and, from the latter part of the century, almost exclusive. These had risen from humble backgrounds, either from families of small landholders or entirely unknown, to the highest positions. In the early days they, too, were usually engaged on other duties in the king's service but increasingly, as the law became an established profession with its own career hierarchy, their activities were more confined to the legal sphere. The biographies of men such as Richard de Staines (*d* 1278) (*ODNB*, Richard Huscroft), Hervey de Staunton (*d* 1327) (*ODNB*, Paul Brand), Sir John Cavendish (*d* 1381) (*ODNB*, Herbert Eiden), Sir John Holt (*d* 1419) (*ODNB*, Anthony Goodman), Sir John Wadham (*d* 1412) (*ODNB*, Henry Summerson), and Sir Thomas Bryan (*d* 1500) (*ODNB*, J H Baker) show how the law was the route to prosperity and gentry status for those whose backgrounds are utterly obscure but whose families were evidently able to give them the essential first step of an education.

This process is most clearly illustrated for the Pastons by the chance survival of their early correspondence. Clement Paston (*d* 1419) was of the peasant elite; his son William (*d* 1444), benefitting from a childless uncle who was an attorney, rose to become a justice of the bench of Common Pleas in 1429 and accumulated a substantial estate which set the family on its path to a future baronetcy and the viscountcy and earldom of Yarmouth in the 1670s (GEC xii.2, 889–93; *ODNB*, Colin Richmond). For some, the material rewards were greater and promotion even swifter. Stephen de Segrave (*d* 1241) established his family at baronial status (GEC xi, 597–601; *ODNB*, William Hunt, *rev.* Paul Brand), as did John Bousser, *alias* Bourchier (*d* 1329–30) (GEC ii, 246; *ODNB*, Jens Rohrkasten), and the Scrope brothers Henry (*d* 1336) (GEC xi, 531–9; *ODNB*, Nigel Ramsay) and Geoffrey (*d* 1340) (GEC xi, 554-63; *ODNB*, Brigette Vale). Bousser's son Robert, Henry Scrope's son Richard, and Geoffrey Scrope's son Henry continued to serve their king, although more in a military capacity, and were summoned to Parliament in 1348, 1371 (Scrope of Bolton), and 1350 (Scrope of Masham). The estate accumulated by John de Stonor (*d* 1354), son of a prosperous freeholder, was worth at least 400 marks (£267) a year in 1382 but his immediate descendants did not make themselves so useful to the king and no peerage was created (*CPR* 1381–5, 127; *ODNB*, P J Jefferies). The material prosperity associated with successful judges was not necessarily honestly come by. Charges of corruption were brought against Henry de Bath (*d* 1260) (*ODNB*, David Crook), Sir Henry Green (*d* 1369) (*ODNB*, Henry Summerson), and Sir Richard Willoughby (*d* 1362) (*ODNB*, S J Payling) for instance. There were personal dangers, too: Sir John Cavendish was murdered by revolting peasantry in 1381.

Some of the justices also appear as parties to Rutland fines. Henry le Scrope acquired the manor and advowson of Little Casterton in 1321 and an additional two acres there in 1331, and his eldest son William (*dsp* 1344) another two acres there in 1342 (**192**, **227**, **240**). Robert de Thorpe (*d* 1372) acquired in 1354 a rent of £20 in Great Casterton which in 1383 his nephew and heir Sir William de Thorpe granted to a group of feoffees (**255**, **280**).

Parties

The two parties were the plaintiff and the defendant. Depending on the plea concerned, the plaintiff might be described as *petens* (demandant) or *querens* (complainant) and the defendant as *deforcians* (deforciant), *impediens* (impedient), or *tenens* (tenant). Often two or more people appear together as plaintiffs or defendants. Most frequently they were husband and wife but, from the early fourteenth century, others might be involved as feoffees or trustees. From an early date, one of the parties to a purely fictional action would have no real right in the land and thus, to this extent, would be acting as a trustee. Often clergymen were thus employed. The earliest probable fine where more than one such feoffee was employed is dated 1317 (**179**). A second development was that the real acquirer of the property was accompanied by another, or others, acting as a party

to the fine. In these cases, the real acquirer may usually be identified as the grant and warranty are made to both or all but to the heirs of only one, while the recognition of right or gift, where relevant, might also be made only to one of them (but see below, p17). Two associated fines of 1329 are structured in this way but the two parties are each acquiring land from the same sellers (**216**, **218**). The first unequivocal example comes from the following year (**225**) and there is another from 1341 (**237**). The earliest example of two feoffees acting together as one party against the real mover occurs with the 1344 settlement by the earl of Warwick (**244**), quickly followed by another by John de Lisle in the following year (**248**). The numbers employed in this way, either jointly with the real mover or as feoffees acting against the real mover, sometimes became very large after *c*1380. Up to nine or ten others might be involved (for example, **280**), but the champion was the fine by which William Bourchier and his wife Anne, daughter of Thomas, duke of Gloucester (*d* 1397), quitclaimed the castle and lordship of Oakham in 1415, with sixteen individuals as the plaintiffs (**318**; fig. 5, and see below, pp21-22). In this instance, the number of plaintiffs no doubt reflects the importance of the transaction. One or more of the parties might be represented by another acting as their attorney. In some cases in which a husband and wife were involved, the husband acted on behalf of his wife. In others, a third party, possibly a lawyer engaged for the purpose, was the attorney. In a few early fines there was another type of third party, one who called on the defendant to warrant the title of the third party against the plaintiff. There are only four such instances among the 355 Rutland fines (**33**, **34**, **51** (fig. 2), and **91**), the latest being of 1263.

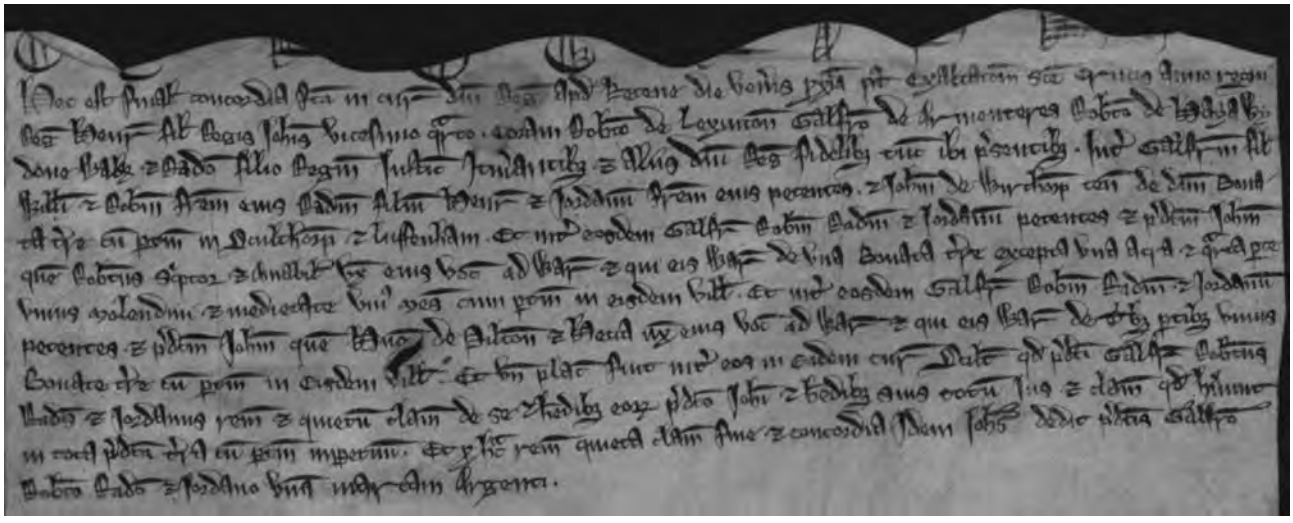

Fig. 2. Fine no 51, Ketton 1240, Geoffrey de Armenters sitting, re property at Sculthorpe and Luffenham (TNA CP25/1/192/3/17).

Property

The property which was the subject of the fine was described in more or less detail. The most frequent type of property was a holding of arable land and meadow, which sometimes also included pasture or sometimes was land only. The land might be defined in terms of roods (quarter-acres), acres, bovates (or oxgangs), virgates (or yardlands), or carucates (or ploughlands), or in one instance hides (**70**), which were all of variable size, although in some fines the number of acres which comprised a virgate may be deduced. A bovate was in theory half the size of a virgate and its use was generally confined to the Danelaw area of England while virgates were employed in the rest of the country; the use of both bovates and virgates reflects Rutland's position on the border between the two systems. There are 71 instances of the use of the word bovate and 103 instances of virgate, the latter remaining in frequent use until the very end of the period while bovate last occurs in 1429 and was of dwindling importance long before. Two fines show that both bovates and virgates were employed within the parishes of Uppingham and Normanton (**12**, **284**). The carucate occurs less frequently, a total of fourteen times; it was nominally comprised of four virgates or eight bovates. Meadow and pasture were usually defined as acres and roods, although there is one instance of commonable pasture described in terms of the number of sheep which could be grazed there (**72**).

Tofts also occur frequently; these were small enclosed plots, sometimes including a house or other building. A messuage was a plot which comprised a dwelling and surrounding land which might also contain other buildings and possibly a garden or orchard. There are thirteen fines in which the property concerned was a messuage, or half a messuage, only (**18, 24, 46, 137, 153, 173, 185, 235, 278, 293, 308, 310, 336**). Although examples occur in Tixover, Whitwell, Ridlington (two), Great Casterton, and North Luffenham, it

is no surprise that seven of them were in Oakham, the principal urban centre of the county.

Larger holdings might also comprise other elements, chiefly woodland, rents, and mills. Woodland was usually described in acres and rents as the cash total payable with some renders in kind, although a few fines, of which **250** is a notable example, name the tenants, with or without their holdings (for Rutland's early woodland, see Squires 2011). Some such tenancies were life ones which would revert to the named party on the deaths of the tenant. A fishery in the River Gwash occurs in one fine (**95**; fig. 6) when the fine was used to establish the lease in fee of the fishery by Hugh Despenser to Robert de Tolthorpe at a rent of four shillings a year. Another form of property was the advowson of a church, i.e. the right to nominate the incumbent. The advowsons of thirteen churches and of chapels in Exton, Gunthorpe, Tolethorpe, and Woodhead occur. Often these passed with the manor but some were separate.

Comparatively few fines are concerned with whole or portions of manors described as such. The word occurs in 68 fines, less than a fifth of the total, and these are heavily concentrated in the period after *c*1300. Only seven are earlier than 1300 and comprise less than 5% of the total number of fines up to that date, while the 61 which occur after 1300 are 27% of the total of that period. This may suggest that use of the fine became more popular with the gentry, manorial landlords, after 1300 while they had chiefly been used by smaller people before that date. This coincides with the lapse of the eyres and it may be that these smaller people, who had been happy to use the king's court when it came to them at Northampton, Oakham, or Ketton, may have found that the trouble of travelling to the Bench at Westminster was more than the fine was worth. On the other hand, it may be that, as fines became more formulaic, descriptions of holdings became more lax and a holding might be described simply as a manor while earlier it would have been detailed as so many messuages, so many acres of land, and so forth. For example, a fine of 1271 settled a messuage, a mill, nineteen virgates of land, and 14*d* and a pound of cumin rent in Belton on William and Isabel Blount (**108**; fig. 4); this is likely to represent the manor although it is not identified as such. Another of the same year recorded the grant by Gerard and Eustacia de Fanacourt to Thomas de Normanville of a messuage with eight virgates of land in Normanton and the advowson of the church, and again this holding is later identified as a manor (**105**). This absence of identification as a manor continued throughout the period. In 1321 the St Liz manors of Morcott and Down Hall in Seaton, with lands in Barrowden and Harringworth, were settled as 'two messuages, five carucates of land, 60 acres of meadow, six acres of wood, and £20 of rent' (**193**). The fine which recorded the division of the St Liz inheritance between the coheirs in 1429 described the lands as 24 messuages, eight bovates, 578¼ acres of land, 78 acres of meadow, 60 acres of pasture, four acres of wood, and £4 12*s* 10*d* and two pounds of pepper and one pound of cumin rent in Barrowden, South Luffenham, Morcott, Seaton, Thorpe by Water, and Uppingham (**323**).

In all instances, except usually that of advowsons, the description terminates with the stock phrase 'with the appurtenances' to encompass all the customary rights which went with the property.

Plea

Decade	*Mort d'ancestor*	*Warranty*	*Covenant*	*Grand assise*	*Misc.**	*No. of fines (plea specified)*
1197–1206	15	–	–	2	2	19
1207–1216	–	–	–	1	6	7
1217–1226	3	1	–	–	–	4
1227–1236	–	–	–	–	–	–
1237–1246	–	4	–	–	–	4
1247–1256	2	9	2	3	2	18
1257–1266	–	11	1	1	2	15
1267–1276	–	9	2	–	–	11
1277–1286	1	6	5	–	–	12
1287–1296	–	5	9	–	–	14
1297–1306	–	6	9	–	–	15
1307–1316	–	1	17	–	–	18
1317–1326	–	2	33	–	–	35
Totals	21	54	78	7	12	172

*Miscellaneous includes pleas of dower, darrein presentment, division of inheritance, and duel.

Table 5. Varieties of plea to 1326.

A number of different pleas were employed in the earlier part of the period until the mid-1250s but thereafter, as the proceedings became more nominal, the variety of pleas dwindled. The form of the plea is not specified in 38 of the earliest 120 fines up to 1282 but most of these were simple recognitions of right with remise and quitclaim. As may be seen from Table 5, *mort d'ancestor* was the most popular plea in the first decade and was still employed occasionally until the 1280s, but in the first half of the thirteenth century a variety of other pleas were employed and continued to be so until 1263. Warranty of charter first begins to be significant in the decade 1247–56 and for a while was the dominant plea until the rise of the plea of covenant. The latter appears first during the decade 1247–56 and is first used more than warranty of charter in 1287–96. Warranty of charter was last employed in fines of 1308, 1320, and 1321 and all subsequent fines were under plea of covenant. By a plea of covenant the plaintiff claimed that the defendant had failed to keep an earlier agreement, and by a plea of warranty of charter the plaintiff called upon the defendant to warrant the title which the defendant or his ancestors had granted by charter. Pleas of *mort d'ancestor* sought to establish a claim by the plaintiff based on his position as heir of a previously holder; *darrein presentment* (last presentation) applied only to advowsons.

Agreement

Almost invariably, the agreement began with the acknowledgement by one party, A, of the right of the other party, B, to the property, which might be said to be by the gift of A to B. The property might be 'rendered', i.e. surrendered, by one party to the other in the same court, or one party might 'remit and quitclaim' the property to the other, or both. As time went on, a frequent procedure was that A gifted the property to B, and then remitted and quitclaimed it to B. Also almost invariably, there would follow a '*habendum*' clause defining the terms upon which the party which retained the property would hold it. The first point to be established was from whom the property would be held. In the thirteenth century it would be held either of the other party or of the 'chief lord', i.e. the person from whom the other party had held it, and the tendency for the former accounts for the lengthening tenurial ladders where a particular piece of land might be held by A of B who held of C who held of D and any number of intermediate tenants before the individual who held of the king. The Statute of *Quia Emptores* in 1290 established that no further rungs were to be added; henceforth any land which changed hands was to be held of the 'chief lord'. The services to be rendered for the property were then laid out, either by knight service (comparatively rarely) or by an annual render which might be a nominal render in kind, such as in cumin, pepper, ginger, a clove, or gloves, or in cash, which might also be a nominal penny or two or a more substantial sum. If the land was to be held of the other party then the retaining party might also be responsible for rendering to the chief lord the 'customary services' which the property had previously owed.

In the early days exclusively, and more rarely but still not infrequently until the end of the period, the retaining party would hold 'to himself and his heirs'. In other instances, rarely to begin with but more frequently later, the succession to the property was restricted to the issue of one or more of the retaining party, with conditional clauses specifying the next heirs if the issue failed. This was the entail, either in tail general if limited only to the issue, or in tail male if limited to the male issue. The first three instances of entails in tail general come from 1254 and 1262 and all concern Ralph de Greenham (**81**, **82**, **88**). A holding in Ketton and South Luffenham and another in South Luffenham were settled on Ralph and his wife Mabel and their issue, with remainder to the right heirs of Ralph, while, at Ralph's request, a holding in Bisbrooke was settled on Alice de Keneton and her issue with remainder to Ralph and his heirs. There is a fine from slightly earlier in 1253 which is interesting as it employs the same concept but in a different way. This established that a rent is to be paid by Geoffrey de Milton and his heirs to Ralph de Beaufeu and his wife Christine and their issue, and if they die without issue then Geoffrey and his heirs are quit of the rent (**77**). Instances of entails in tail male are rather less common but are found in seven fines (**166**, **201**, **205**, **244**, **274**, **304**, **317**). In some instances, the property was to pass in the first instance for the life of the grantee only, with remainder to other specified individuals and their specified heirs.

In many cases, the agreement was accompanied by a 'warranty', an undertaking by the surrendering party that, if the retaining party's title was ever called into question, he or his heirs would warrant the property to the retaining party or his heirs.

Consideration

Finally, a 'consideration' was usually specified. Like the annual rents, this might be either in cash or kind, and either nominal or substantial. Considerations in kind were limited to a 'sore', or unmewed, sparrowhawk and to the period 1240–1314, with all but five of the thirty-one instances occurring between 1256 and 1292 and comprising nearly half of the fines between those dates. In one early fine of 1202 the consideration was

two marks and a cow (**17**). The cash sums mentioned varied greatly in significance but were not necessarily the real sum paid for a purchase. This is particularly clear where the sum was a merely nominal one but it is also apparent in other cases. For instance, it is unlikely that Robert de Thorpe acquired twenty librates of rent in 1354 for as little as £100, a factor of only five years' purchase, when the more usual rate by this date was probably 13.3 years' purchase or more (**255**).

A consideration is not mentioned in 85 fines. Thirty-seven of these are entails and one a jointure settlement, the earliest being dated 1270, although other fines with exactly similar terms do include a consideration, another indication that these may often be fictional. In most of the others some other benefit was gained, a life holding in fifteen cases, a grant of land (either part of the property which was the subject of the fine or elsewhere) in fourteen cases, spiritual benefits in five cases, a corrody and a corn dole in two cases (although another also included a cash consideration), a quitclaim of other land in one, a quitclaim of damages in one, and use of a fishery to stock a fishpond in one. In eight cases there was no apparent benefit of any kind but one was an agreement about the boundaries of a wood at Burley (**26**; Squires 2011, 7) and one an alteration to a previous fine (**45**). Four cases appear to be simple confirmations of title (**184**, **225**, **258**, **260**) but one was a quitclaim and one a grant of a rent (**77**, **131**).

Tenants present

Where the property concerned, or part of it, was currently held by another, the fine often specifies that the tenant was present in the court and either recognized his new landlord or did fealty to him.

Precept of the king

Nine fines specify that the agreement was made by the precept of the king (**196, 199, 206, 207, 260, 264, 265, 269, 304**). In all cases, the property was held in chief, i.e. of the king himself.

Endorsements

One of the benefits, and probably the greatest, of the fine as a means of conveyance was that, once made, it barred any claims which might be made by others, a great advantage in a litigious age when tenure might be challenged, and challenged successfully, on the most tenuous grounds. The only exceptions to this rule were if an interested party registered his claim within a short period of the fine being made. Exceptions were also made in certain circumstances, such as the childhood or absence abroad of one who might claim. These claims were then 'endorsed' on the foot, i.e. written on the back of it. There are only eleven such endorsements on the Rutland fines, the latest being of 1345, the statute of 1360 bringing an end to this restriction (**72, 85, 106, 116, 118, 119, 125, 133, 150, 223, 248**). The most peculiar of these is the one on which Robert son of John de Exton and Matilda his wife put in their claim to land which they had alienated by the very same fine (**223**).

In addition to these, some of the early fines have another form of endorsement which appears to be merely administrative. These may either be small pieces of parchment with writing affixed to the back (**9**, **11**, **21**) or just written on the back of the fine itself (**41**, **51**, **71–74**, **76**, **89**). All of these fines were made during eyres in places other than Rutland apart from two (**51**, **74**), and were presumably made simply to assist with the medieval arrangement of the files. As such, they have not been included in the abstracts.

County

*Fig. 3. Some examples of the form of the county name as it appears on the fines (from left to right, fine numbers **4**, **117**, **75**, **210**, **336**; that used on the cover and title page is no **1**, and that on p5 is no **321**).*

The feet, but not the indentures, are labelled below the text with the name of the county or counties in which the property lay. As this edition contains only the fines contained within the Rutland file, this is invariably Rutland, which generally appears in the abbreviated form *Rotel'*, *Rottel'*, or *Rotl'*, but sometimes as *Rotelande*, *Rotelaund*, or *Roteland'* (cropped from some illustrations in this edition, but see fig. 3). One fine is labelled *Ocham* (**66**); this was made at Oakham during the eyre of 1247 although the other fines made at the same time are labelled Rutland. By the reign of Edward III the label begins to be decorated simply with curlicues around the word. These gradually become more elaborate until, by the reign of Henry VI, they are often very impressive indeed (for example, **322**, fig. 7), but the last one for his reign is plain as are all of those for Edward

IV and Richard III. It was observed of the Gloucestershire fines that the labelling was apparently carried out when the filing was rearranged in the fourteenth century, and probably after 1373 (Elrington 2003, xx). This is not suggested by the Rutland labels as while small differences in the hands suggest that the label was usually added sometime after the fine was written, the earlier ones do appear to be in a roughly contemporary hand.

Two fines concern property that was not within Rutland (**77**, **110**). The first concerns a rent to be paid from the manor of Milton to Ralph de Beaufeu and his wife; the county is unknown, but it may have been identified with Rutland because it was made at Oakham during an eyre, in 1253, and one of the parties was also involved in another fine of the same date concerning Seaton. The second concerns a holding in Twyford (Leics.) in 1271 and may have been identified as Rutland because a knight's fee in Twyford formed part of the barony of Oakham (*VCH ii,* 11; Chinnery 1988, 11, 20, 34, 40, 44, 51).

THE FINES AND THE *VICTORIA COUNTY HISTORY*

In one respect, Rutland is fortunate in that its *Victoria County History* project was completed in 1935 with the publication of the second volume of parish histories and an index. It is to this extent well served by comparison with less fortunate counties for which the project is only partially completed or has hardly moved on from the initial volumes. On the other hand, the early completion has drawbacks in that the parish histories are not as detailed as later ones and give as much or more priority to architectural descriptions as to the descent of manors and other identifiable holdings.

The relationship between *VCH* and this edition of Rutland fines is a complex one because *VCH* uses fines found in the 'Divers Counties' series but omits some of the fines in this edition. For instance, the entry for Ashwell mentions the 1335 settlement by the Tuchet family of Ashwell and Markeaton (Derbys.) by a fine which is in the Divers Counties series but omits the 1407 fine of three messuages and one virgate of land between two London citizens (**311**) (*VCH* ii, 108). There are eleven fines in the edition which are either solely or partially concerned with Barrowden of which the *VCH* entry mentions three (*VCH* ii, 171–2). One was the 1344 fine by which Thomas Beauchamp, earl of Warwick, carried out a comprehensive settlement of the manor, along with the manor of Greetham and the hundred of Wrangdike (**244**) (Holmes 1957, 48). The second is that by which Benedict de Cokefield and his wife Amicia granted a large holding in Barrowden, probably that later identified as Uphall, to William de Clyve, although the author of the entry considered that this had been made in 1311 when 1312 is more likely (**164**). Clyve may have been acting as a feoffee for Beauchamp. He was parson of Barrowden in 1313 and had been presented by Guy Beauchamp. His brother Robert Clyve granted to Beauchamp a holding in Barrowden which had been William's by an undated charter and the holding was probably that identified as Uphall in Beauchamp's inquisition *post mortem* of 1315. The third fine is that by which John Marshall recognized the right of Richard de Hotot to a rent of 32*s* and a pound of pepper in 1220 (**40**). Richard was the brother of Thomas de Hotot of Clopton (Northants.) who gave to Fineshade Priory (Northants.) a small holding in Barrowden which Richard held of him. At the Dissolution the priory's property included a rent of 20*s* from Barrowden paid by John Durant and it was probably an ancestor of this John, of the same name, who in 1397 acquired from Walter and Margaret Scarle lands of Margaret's inheritance in Barrowden and South Luffenham (**302**). Other fines not mentioned by *VCH* are two early ones, both from 1212, by which Robert Mauduit acquired the portions of two of five heiresses to a part-fee in Morcott with a mill in South Luffenham and a watermill in Barrowden (**33, 34**). *VCH* mentions the watermill which was leased by William Mauduit in 1259. Other small holdings occur in fines of 1231, 1322, and 1341, the latter two of which included lands in Morcott, South Luffenham, and Seaton, and in Morcott and both Luffenhams (**48, 197, 238**). The last two concern the St Liz estate which included land in Barrowden, a jointure settlement in 1321 and the division of the inheritance in 1429 between coheirs (**193, 323**). One of the heiresses, Margaret, was then married to John de Burgh by whom she apparently had no issue, and the whole consequently passed to her sister Isabel Sheffield and her issue by the terms of the fine although Margaret had previously been married to Henry Durant of Cottesmore by whom she had had children (*VCH* ii, 216).

It is also the case that the *VCH* entry occasionally gives a misleading or erroneous version of the fine. Perhaps the best example of this is found in the Belton entry which has contributed to the confused accounts of the early history of the Blount family. According to the *VCH* entry for Belton (*VCH* ii, 28), by a fine of 1270 William Blount settled lands which represented a moiety of the manor on himself and Isabel his wife and their issue,

> 'with remainder to Walter le Blount, their younger son. Sir William le Blount, son of Walter, was holding Belton of the Earl of Cornwall in 1300 … He married as his second wife Joan de

> Soddington and died in 1337. He was succeeded by his brother John le Blount. Before 1370 the moiety of Belton had passed to Alice, daughter of Sir John Blount'.

This account is almost wholly inaccurate. The fine of the settlement on William and Isabel was made in 1271, not 1270 (**108**; fig. 4). The lands were settled on William and Isabel and their issue with remainder to the right heirs of William; a younger son Walter is not mentioned. The Walter Blount who was the other party, and who received a virgate of land in Marsworth (Bucks.) in fee, was probably William's younger brother. There is no evidence that the Sir William who was holding Belton in 1300 was a son of Walter and it is most likely that he was the eldest son of William and Isabel. It was this younger William's younger brother Walter who married Joan de Sodington and it was Walter and Joan's eldest son William who died in 1337. This William was indeed succeeded at Sodington by his brother John, but this was not Sir John Blount of Belton who was the son of William of Belton. The heiress Alice was this Sir John's daughter (see Table 6).

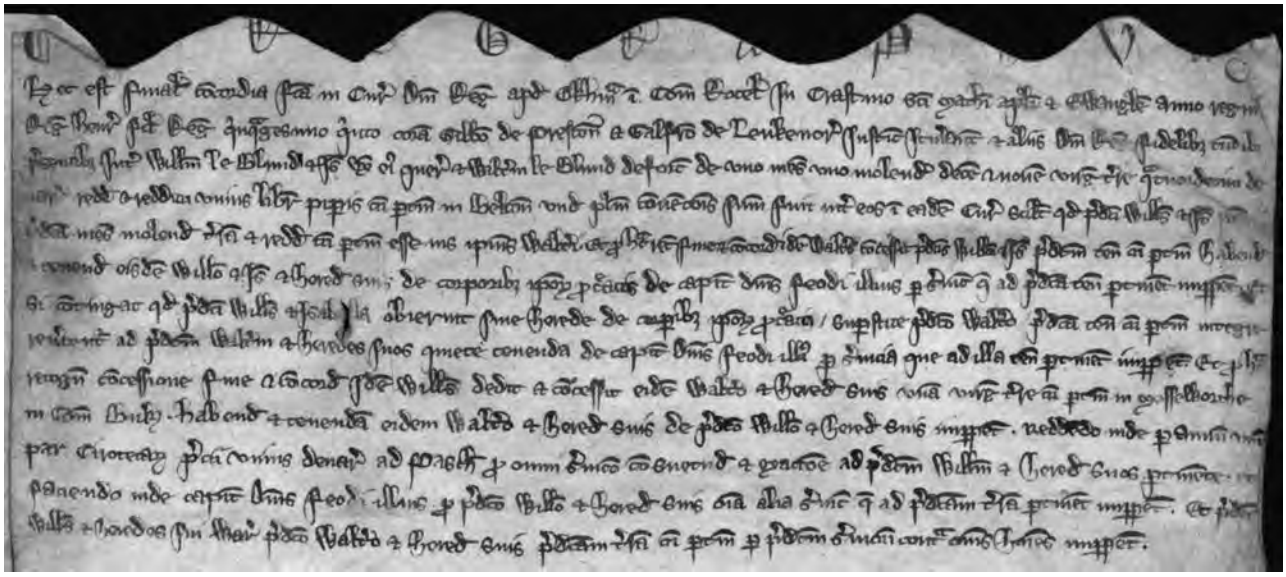

Fig. 4. Fine no 108, Oakham 1271, re Blount family property at Belton (TNA CP25/1/192/3/73).

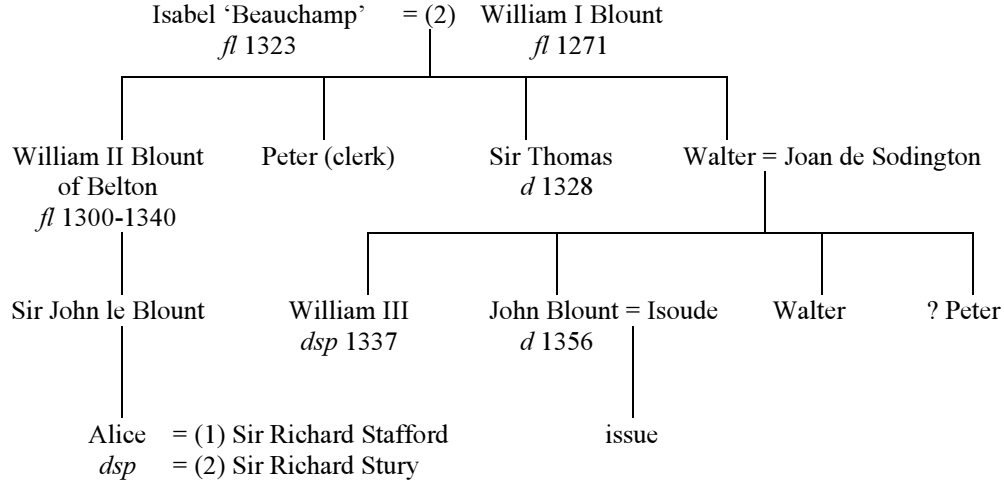

Table 6. Conjectural pedigree of the Blounts of Belton and their descendants, based on research by the author.

THE FINES AS A HISTORICAL SOURCE

The fines can be, and have been, used in many ways. They are most obviously useful for tracing family and manorial descents. The data they provide may be employed in exercises such as that carried out below into the frequency of the appearance of women. They may also be used, in conjunction with other data, in topographical studies, and the Rutland fines were recently employed in a study of the deserted medieval village of Sculthorpe, in North Luffenham (Frearson 2008; and see Index I).

Perhaps the most useful quality of the fines, however, is found in the range of the status of the people who made them. The procedure of the final concord was available for all property held in fee simple and therefore, although land held in villein tenure was excluded, the fines record land transactions by people of all ranks and condition. Some of the fines in this edition were carried out by great ones of the land and some by the local gentry whose land transactions were usually made in terms of manors or at least very substantial holdings. Many of the fines, however, involve men and women of lower status, and it is for the record of land transactions at this level that this source is most valuable. Charters for this level of society generally survive only when their land holdings were acquired by great ones for whom substantial archives survive, a combination which is comparatively rare. There are some notable examples, such as the great Berkeley archive for Gloucestershire; when the Berkeley lords acquired a property from one of their tenants or others they also acquired the 'parchment' trail of documents of title which came with it (Wells-Furby 2004). The inquisitions *post mortem*, the other vital record of land holdings drawn up by the central government and the only one of comparable scale and detail to the fines, were limited to those who held in chief, i.e. directly of the king, and they were few compared with the vast numbers of landholders of all types over the country.

The feet of fines are, in some respects, not as useful as private charters; in particular, they rarely identify the location of land holdings in the same detail, and the early Tixover fine of 1201 is a notable exception (**13**). The advantage of fines over charters is that they do not suffer the bias of survival. They were employed, one may assume, by all who had the inclination and therefore the record does not depend on the vagaries of charter survival nor is it biased by the reasons the land may have come into the surviving archives. Fines did not, in general, replace charters although it is difficult to be certain of this because of the patchy survival of charters. The Berkeley archive, however, shows that grants of land made by charter might be subsequently reinforced by a fine, sometimes considerably later. For instance, in October 1344 Thomas III Lord Berkeley granted the manors of King's Weston and Laurence Weston to his servant William de Syde for life with remainder to himself for life and then his younger son Thomas and his issue, and this was formalized in a fine of Easter 1346.[1] Another settlement of King's Weston with the manor of Over was made by a charter of November 1348 and a fine of Easter 1349.[2]

The following discussion is limited to a few of the aspects of medieval society and culture which are illustrated by the fines.

Women in the fines

There is one respect in which the fines appear not to reflect accurately the norms of landholding in the medieval period and this is in the participation of women. At this time, women generally only ever held land by default because of the priority given in feudal tenure to male succession, although this was partially counterbalanced by the widow's right of dower, a life interest in a third of the lands held by her late husband. Despite this, a woman was acting as one of the parties in 75% of the fines, and a similar statistic of 71% has been obtained from the 2,828 Gloucestershire fines for the period 1199–1509 (Elrington 2007, 10). As Chart 2 shows, in both counties the involvement of women was comparatively small in the first half of the thirteenth century but increased rapidly before tailing off slightly in the latter half of the fifteenth century. This proportion is in stark contrast to that obtained from an early fifteenth century cartulary of 1,097 charters and other associated documents at Berkeley Castle in which women appear as a party to only 37%, only half as many. It is more difficult to compare changes over time in the cartulary as the vast majority of charters were undated in the thirteenth century, but it would seem that the proportion involving women rose from 8% in the first half of that century to 39% in the latter half and remained at around this level, being 42% in the first half of the fourteenth century and 37% in the latter half (Wells-Furby 2004, A4/2/31 (Select Book 10)).

A second important distinction between fines and charters is found in the marital status of the women involved, i.e. whether they were married women or women acting on their own, either as a widow, a spinster, or more rarely as a prioress. While the great majority of the women involved in fines were married, a far lower proportion of the women involved in charters were married, the proportions being 88% and 86% in the Rutland and Gloucestershire fines, but only 59% of the charters. Women appeared twice as frequently in fines as in charters and it was predominantly married women who did so, while a far greater proportion of women who appeared in charters were sole. This is reflected in the statistic that while 9–10% of (all) fines involved sole women, 15% of charters involved sole women.

The reason behind these distinctions between fines and charters lies in the procedure when a fine was made. Married woman were separately examined so that the justices could be sure that their consent to the

[1] Wells-Furby 2004, A1/49/12; TNA CP25/1/77/66 no. 268.
[2] Wells-Furby 2004, A1/49/14, A2/35/5–6; TNA CP25/1/77/69 no. 330.

conveyance of land was genuine and such conveyances therefore could not later be challenged on the grounds that the woman had been coerced by their husbands. This was important in two particular cases of alienation, first that of lands which were the woman's own inheritance, and second that of lands in which she might later claim dower after his death. These are reflected precisely in the lands involved in the fines.

Where a husband and wife were involved as a party, the right to the property may be identified by the quitclaim and warranty as this might be made by or to the husband and wife and the heirs of only one of them. Some caution is required as this may not be an entirely accurate guide. In the 1449 fine by which Richard duke of York and his wife Cecily granted the manor of Hambleton Magna to Richard Moresby and a host of feoffees, the quitclaim and warranty was from them and the heirs of Cecily even though this manor was of the duke's inheritance (**334**). This may be an exception as this was not a real alienation and the manor remained in the duke's hands, but another problem arises with the 1291 fine by which Walter de Windsor and his wife Sabina alienated a holding in Pickworth (**139**). Again the warranty was from them and the heirs of Sabina but it is highly likely that this was the same holding as had been granted by a fine of 1286 to Walter and Sabina and the heirs of Walter (**128**). Similarly, the three later fines regarding the alienation of the Burton manor of Tolethorpe by Thomas Burton and his wife Margaret are quitclaimed by them and the heirs of Margaret and the warranty is given by them and the heirs of Margaret (**349**, **351**, **353**). Nevertheless, the quitclaims and warranties may be taken as a generally reliable guide.

Half-century	*No. of fines*	*Men only*	*Women involved*	*Women in Glos. fines*
1197-1246	59	33 (56%)	26 (44%)	46%
1247-1296	83	18 (22%)	65 (78%)	65%
1297-1346	109	21 (19%)	88 (81%)	72%
1347-1396	48	7 (15%)	41 (85%)	89%
1397-1446	33	2 (6%)	31 (94%)	89%
1447-1508	23	7 (30%)	16 (70%)	79%
Total	355	88 (25%)	267 (75%)	71%

Table 7. Proportion of Rutland fines involving men only and women, compared with Gloucestershire.

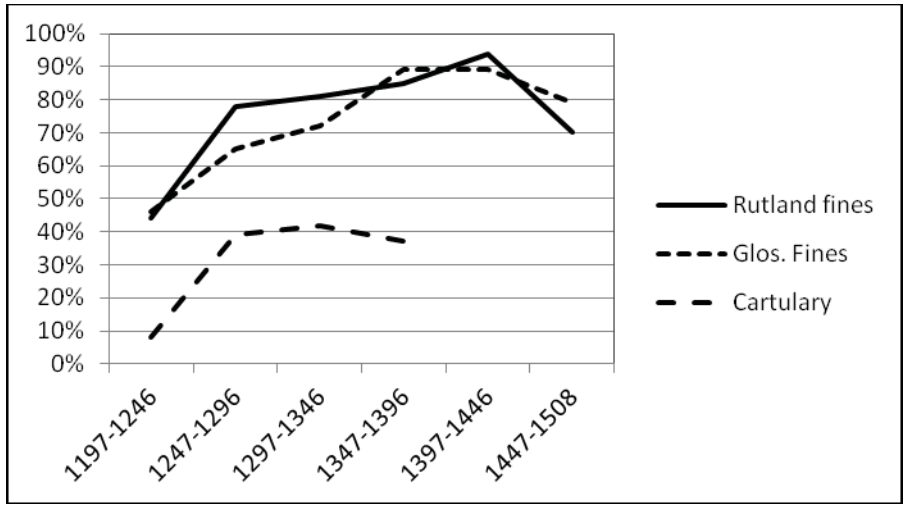

Chart 2. Illustrating changing proportions of women's involvement in fines.

	Total no. of fines or charters	*No. with women as parties (% of total)*	*No. with sole women (% of all involving women)*	*No. with married women (% of all involving women)*
Rutland	355	267 (75%)	32 (12%)	235 (88%)
Gloucestershire	2828	2014 (71%)	278 (14%)	1736 (86%)
Cartulary	1097	401 (37%)	163 (41%)	238 (59%)

Table 8. Involvement of women in fines and charters.

Eleven of the fines included both a married woman and a sole woman among the parties so there is a total of 246 fines involving married women. Of this number, the right to the property is unclear in fourteen but of the

remaining 232 no fewer than 158, or 68%, involved the wife's property and 74 (32%) almost certainly did not. In Gloucestershire, some 67% of the fines which involved wives were concerned with the wife's property (Elrington 2007, 10). Moreover, of the 158 Rutland fines which concerned the wife's property, over three-quarters were alienations of that property, a total of 122, or 77%, and another 22 (14%) were quitclaims of it.

The other 74 fines probably involved the husband's property and in 35 of these the husband was alienating land; the wife was joined with her husband as a grantee but the quitclaim and/or warranty was given for the heirs of the husband alone. These were cases where the wife was associated with the alienation because of her potential dower rights in the land. It was necessary for a wife to give her consent to the alienation and this consent was held to be effective only if the conveyance was made by a fine. This theory does not appear to have been particularly strong in the early years, given the large proportion of fines in the earlier half of the thirteenth century which were alienations by men but did not involve their wives and the fact that this third type of female participation took some time to establish. The earliest fine of this type comes from 1271 (**106**) while half of the 35 fines occurred after 1345.

Decade	*Wife's property (% involving wives and % of total fines)*	*Jointure (% involving wives and % of total fines)*	*Alienations (% involving wives and % of total fines)*	*Total involving wives*	*Total*
1197-1246	11 (100%, 19%)	0	0	11	59
1247-1296	42 (78%, 51%)	10 (19%, 12%)	2 (4%, 2%)	54	83
1297-1346	47 (55%, 43%)	24 (28%, 22%)	15 (17%, 14%)	86	109
1347-1396	27 (71%, 56%)	3 (8%, 6%)	8 (21%, 17%)	38	48
1397-1446	22 (79%, 67%)	1 (4%, 3%)	5 (18%, 15%)	28	33
1447-1508	9 (60%, 39%)	1 (7%, 4%)	5 (33%, 22%)	15	23
Total	158 (68%, 46%)	39 (17%, 11%)	35 (15%, 10%)	232	355

Table 9. Fines involving a wife where right to property known.

There was, however, a third reason for the predominance of women in fines and this was the rise of the jointure, a new development of the latter part of the thirteenth century by which the husband and wife were jointly enfeoffed of a property which the wife would continue to hold for her life if she survived her husband. This was an addition to and did not replace the ages-old feudal right of dower for a widow, by which she was assigned lands to the value of a third of her late husband's estate which she would hold for life. Jointure settlements may be identified by a grant or quitclaim to a husband and wife and the heirs of the husband, or their issue or other form of entail, often following the acknowledgement of the other party's right by the husband. In other words, he had granted the land to the other party as a feoffee who would then grant it back to the couple. Such jointure settlements were apparently the sole purpose of some 39 fines. The earliest joint grant to husband and wife comes from 1253 (**77**) although this was not really of the type mentioned above. The next comes from 1262 (**88**), and then for some seventy-five years between 1270 and 1345 over a fifth of the fines were of this type, 33 of a total of 150 (22%). The popularity of using fines to establish jointures then dropped dramatically and there were only another five over the last 105 fines, although jointures became an increasingly well-established element of marriage negotiations from the early fourteenth century. This would seem to indicate that, as the concept of the jointure became better established, it was felt that a charter was sufficient and the settlement did not require the additional security of a fine.

The fines are therefore an important source for married women who otherwise tend to be absent from official records because of their legal subordination to their husbands while married. The fine was used when a husband and wife alienated lands held in her right and when he alienated his own lands because of the additional security that her consent was established by the fine, but it was also used for the creation of jointures for the first seventy or so years after it first developed. As can be seen from Table 9, the rise in the total number of fines in the latter half of the thirteenth century was due largely to an increasing use for the alienation of wives' lands alongside the new trend for jointures in the husband's property. In the first half of the fourteenth century, the peak number of fines coincided with the peak use for jointures and its use to record the wife's agreement to alienation of her husband's property. Thereafter the use of fines for jointures declined but the latter purpose retained its proportion of two-fifths to a quarter of all fines involving wives until the end of the period.

The creation of a jointure by a husband might have a purpose beyond that of simply giving the wife a life interest in lands in addition to her dower. Specifically, it might be used to secure title to newly-acquired land. This is found on a large scale when Ralph de Stafford settled on himself and his wife the lands of her vast

Audley inheritance in 1348 and again in 1351 with the Corbet lands which he had inherited from a cousin, and when Richard earl of Arundel settled on himself and his wife the lands of the Warenne inheritance which he had inherited from his uncle. It is also found on a smaller scale in use by Hugh Courteney earl of Devon (*d* 1377) who purchased many new manors during his lifetime, most of which were held jointly with his wife (Holmes 1957, 49–50). This type of jointure is found frequently in the Rutland fines where a property which was probably being alienated by the grantor was granted to a husband and wife and the heirs of the husband or to a husband and wife and their issue with remainder to the right heirs of the husband. Early examples are the grant in 1288 by Nicholas de Burton and his wife Cecily of a holding in Tickencote to Brice le Daneys and his wife Isabel and the heirs of Brice, and the 1290 grant by William de Ardern and his wife Agnes of a property in North Luffenham to John de Glasdon and his wife Emma and the heirs of John (**130**, **136**). There are some thirty fines of this type. Like the regular jointure mentioned above, the bulk of these, some two-thirds, fall into the period 1270–1345, although a third are from later and it continued to be used when lands were acquired by fine long after the regular jointure was almost exclusively created by charter. Its use was supplemented and partially superseded from *c*1350 by the use not of the wife but of male friends as joint-grantees who were acting as feoffees.

The fines and the political geography of Rutland

Identifying and counting manors can be difficult because the definition of a manor was elastic. The existence of a manorial court was later used as the defining feature but this is not always the case in the medieval period. As has been seen, landholdings might be described as a manor on one occasion but not on another, and might appear in a fine simply as a more detailed description of acreages of land, meadow, pasture, and rents. Nevertheless, given this *caveat*, some eighty manors in the county may be identified and their distribution between different types of lord in 1316 is shown in Table 10. This number of manors is derived chiefly from the 1316 survey of lords of vills called the *Nomina Villarum* (*Feudal Aids* iv. 207–9) with some additions from *VCH*. It is a tentative total given that the definition of a manor was elastic. For example, although unrecognized by *VCH* there was also a manor in Stretton which belonged to the Segrave family. It was granted to Stephen de Segrave (*d* 1241), the Justiciar and founder of the family's fortunes, by William de Forz, count of Aumale. In *c*1265 it was held by Peter de Segrave, probably a younger son of Gilbert de Segrave (*d* 1254), and, having reverted to the main line, between 1292 and 1295 it was granted by Nicholas de Segrave (*d* 1295) to his younger son Nicholas (*d* 1321). It passed to his daughter and heir Matilda but on her childless death in 1335 it again reverted to the main line in the person of her cousin John Lord Segrave (*d* 1353). His eventual heir Thomas Mowbray, duke of Norfolk (*d* 1399), granted it to Henry earl of Derby, later Henry IV (Wells-Furby 2004, 794). In some cases the *Nomina Villarum* is misleading as it occasionally gives a preference to the overlord over the actual holder of a manor. For instance, the Knights of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem appear as lord of the vill of Whitwell in the *Nomina Villarum* but this had been subinfeudated to the Byrons. A similar preference is also found in several manors held of the earl of Warwick.

Table 9 gives a snapshot view of the landholders of the county in 1316 which to some extent is artificial as manors occasionally changed hands with some passing between the three groups. For instance, the lords de la Warre held Woodhead in Great Casterton for most of the fourteenth century until it was alienated to Hugh Browe (see below, p23), and in 1321 a manor in Little Casterton passed from John de Neville to Henry le Scrope whose family joined the peerage (*VCH* ii, 232, 237). The royal manor of Lyndon was granted to Robert de Corby in fee in 1348 and he granted it to Roland Daneys (*VCH* ii, 74).

Nevertheless, the overall proportions probably did not change a great deal. As will be seen below, by comparison with Berkshire and Gloucestershire at the same time the proportion of gentry lords was much the same in all three counties, but a far smaller proportion of Rutland manors were held by the church while magnate representation was far larger. This becomes important in respect of the distribution of fines as an interesting trend is found by looking at those parishes in which no manor occurs in the fines or for which no fines survive at all. There are four parishes in the latter category. These are Brooke, Caldecott, Lyddington, and Preston, of which three were held by the church and the fourth, Preston, by the lords Montfort and their magnate successors (*VCH* ii, 89). Brooke was held by Brooke Priory and Caldecott and Lyddington by the bishopric of Lincoln (*VCH* ii, 38, 180, 191). There are twenty parishes for which no manor is mentioned although three of them are Belton, Normanton, and Morcott, manors in which do appear although they are not described as such. The other seventeen confirm the trend of those that do not appear at all. Five were held by the church, one by the crown, and seven were dominated by manors which belonged to magnates. Edith Weston, Wing, Manton, Tinwell, and Tixover were held by the church and Stretton by the crown (*VCH* ii, 62, 104, 77, 282, 228, 147). Egleton and Langham were appurtenances of Oakham, Uppingham and Ridlington

were held by the Montforts and their successors, North Luffenham by the Zouches, Market Overton by the Umfravilles and then Badlesmere and his successors, and Ryhall by the Despensers and then the earls of Kent (*VCH* ii, 45, 49, 92, 97 141–2, 197, 269–70). The other four were Ashwell, Martinsthorpe, Pilton, and Wardley.

By contrast with other counties, very little land in Rutland was held by the church. Apart from a couple of short-lived hospitals at Tolethorpe and Great Casterton and the more substantial hospital established in Oakham by William Dalby, there were only two religious houses in the county and these were both small cells of greater houses. Edith Weston was a cell of the Benedictine Abbey of St George in Boscherville in Normandy, deriving from a grant of the manor by its founder William de Tankerville in the early twelfth century. Although there appears to have been a separate but small community here with its own prior, it is the abbot of Boscherville who appears as one of the parties in both fines concerning the house and he appears as the lord of the vill in the *Nomina Villarum*. In 1231 Robert de Weston quitclaimed a virgate of land in [Edith] Weston to the abbot (**49**) but thirty years later it appears to have been claimed by Robert's son. By a fine of 1263, which is the only example in this edition of a plea of duel, Robert son of Robert de Weston again quitclaimed a messuage and a virgate of land to the abbot (**100**). Brooke Priory was a house of Austin canons and a cell of Kenilworth, also founded early in the twelfth century by a grant of the manor to the mother house. It appears as a party in one fine of 1256 by which Roger de Suwyk and his wife Beatrice quitclaimed to the priory a bovate of land in Wenton, a now lost vill in Cottesmore (**83**). The priory also appears in a 1247 fine as the 'chief lord' of a small holding in North Luffenham which owed a cash rent and suit of court to the prior's court of North Luffenham (**67**). The existence of a court indicates that the priory had a manor here but there is no reference to it either in *VCH* or in the *Nomina Villarum.*

	Church	*Magnates*	*Gentry*	*King*
Rutland	15%	30%	51%	4%
Gloucestershire	36%	11%	53%	–
Berkshire	32%	16%	52%	–

Table 10. Lords of manors in 1316 (Saul 1981, 5).
The Berkshire statistics are derived from unpublished work by the editor.

Lord in 1316	*Vill*
Brooke Priory	Brooke and Braunston I
St George, Boscherville, Abbey	Edith Weston
Newstead Priory	Little Casterton
Westminster Abbey	Barleythorpe
St Neots Priory	Wing II
Thorney Abbey	Wing I
Cluny Abbey	Manton II and Tixover
Peterborough Abbey	Tinwell with Ingthorpe
Bishop of Lincoln	Lyddington and Caldecott with Snelston

Table 11. Church manors in 1316.

The majority of church manors in the county were held by houses situated elsewhere. Newstead Priory, Stamford (Lincs.), another house of Austin canons, appears to have acquired its manor in Little Casterton by a grant of Hugh de Welledon and his wife in 1278 of four messuages, a mill, a toft, 6½ virgates and 8½ acres of land, and 8*s* of rent; in exchange for this Hugh and his wife received maintenance for their lives laid out in minute detail (**116**). The ancient pre-Conquest Benedictine houses of Westminster, St Neots, and Thorney each held one manor. Westminster had a grant of two tofts and a virgate of land in Barleythorpe from Silvester de Tyrington and his wife Alice in 1253, and in 1277 a quitclaim from Henry de Luton and his wife Matilda of a messuage and eleven acres of land in Barleythorpe (**80**, **115**). These lands will have been within walking distance of the Abbey's important holding of the manor of Oakham Deanshold, deriving from the will of Edward the Confessor. Westminster also obtained quitclaims of the advowson of Uppingham from Simon de Dene in 1210 (**29**, fig. 1) and of the advowson of the chapel of Gunthorpe from Henry de Beyville in 1225 (**44**). The houses of St Neots (Hunts.) and Thorney (Cambs.) each held a moiety of Wing and the prior and abbot respectively appear in a fine of 1209 with Thurstan de Montfort which resolved a dispute over the advowson of Wing (**28**). The bishops of Lincoln and the two great houses of Peterborough and Cluny, one indigenous and one foreign, do not appear in the fines at all, except for the endorsement put in by Bishop John Dalderby on a fine of 1303 concerning the manor of Stoke Dry which was held of the bishops (**150**).

Other religious houses whose interests in the county did not amount to manors also appeared in fines. The military order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem appears in two fines, an exchange of land in Uppingham in 1200 and a quitclaim of the advowson of Stoke Dry by Gilbert de Hauville in 1220 (**12**, **39**). The Cistercian abbey of Pipewell (Northants.) had land in Caldecott, Bisbrooke, Stoke Dry, Uppingham, and Ridlington and appears in three fines (*VCH* ii, 93, 98–9, 180, 224). In 1212 Seled de Uppingham granted the monks three acres in Uppingham at the request of Felicia, widow of William de Clotton, and in 1219 they had a grant of 1½ virgates of land, a messuage, and a penny rent for a half-virgate held by Seled in Uppingham (**32**, **35**). In 1245 Peter de Montfort confirmed to them the gift of his father Thurstan of six virgates of land in Uppingham and Ridlington (**59**). The Benedictine nuns of Nuneaton Priory (Warks.) were granted the advowson of Burley by David de Armenters in the latter part of the twelfth century (*VCH* ii, 119) and this was confirmed to the nuns by Geoffrey de Armenters in 1247 (**60**). Another priory of Benedictine nuns at St Michael, Stamford (Lincs.) held land in Barrow and Wenton in Cottesmore (*VCH* ii, 123) and in 1253 a dispute was resolved by a fine in which Robert le Boteler of Oakham confirmed that he should be responsible for performing suit of court for the holding formerly his (**74**). There were numerous other houses which had small landed interests in the county but which do not appear in the fines: for example Fineshade Priory (Northants.) held land in Barrowden and North Luffenham (*VCH* ii, 172, 199).

Religious houses appear as a party to only sixteen fines, only 5% of the total of 355, compared with their 15% of the county's manors. It is perhaps not surprising that five of these should concern advowsons but it is very noticeable that all the fines in which a religious house was a party come from the thirteenth century. The latest of the fines is from 1278 (**116**) and the sixteen fines comprised 14% of the fines to that date. Moreover, most were quitclaims of land or advowsons granted by predecessors of the other party although a few of the later ones were acquisitions of land. The Statute of Mortmain in 1290 forbade the alienation of land to religious houses without a special licence which might be granted following an inquisition *ad quod damnum* to establish whether the king's rights would be damaged by such a grant. Studies of the development of church estates show that in general the level of land purchase by religious houses was low to nil after *c*1300 but the Statute is only partially to blame for this. The monks of Christ Church Canterbury quickly learned to evade its restrictions by obtaining general licences and using agents but evidently their example was not followed by many other houses (Mate 1984, 12–13, 16, 21).

Magnates filled the gap left by the paucity of church lords and held a far higher proportion of the county's manors than in Berkshire and Gloucestershire. Their presence in the fines, however, is as small as that of the church. In 1316 the most significant magnate presences in the county were the earl of Warwick, Peter Lord Montfort, and the great lordship of Oakham Lordshold with its members, then held by the Countess of Cornwall. There is only one fine of Oakham, by which the Gloucester heiress, Anne, and her second husband Sir William Bourchier, quitclaimed this lordship to feoffees, although it later passed to her Stafford heirs

Fig. 5. Fine no 318, Westminster 1415, the Bourchier quitclaim of Oakham lordship (TNA CP25/1/192/8/12).

(**318**; fig. 5). Oakham Lordshold had been granted in 1390 by Richard II to his cousin Edward, son of Edmund duke of York, to hold during the life of his father, the reversion being granted in the same year to the king's uncle Thomas duke of Gloucester. After the fall of Gloucester in 1397, Edward had a grant in tail male in 1398, a confirmation in 1400, and another confirmation, but for life only, in 1412. He was killed at Agincourt in October 1415. Meanwhile, as Gloucester's attainder had been reversed in 1399, his daughter and heir Anne revived her claim. She was then married to Sir William Bourchier and they quitclaimed the lordship to an impressive set of feoffees by a fine which was made in February 1415, before Edward's death, but recorded as late as January 1417 (*VCH* ii, 12; Clough 1987, 26–7).

In 1316 Peter de Montfort had recently parted with his manor of Ridlington to Robert Lord Holand but retained Preston and Uppingham (*VCH* ii, 92). By the arrangement made when his son Guy married a daughter of the earl of Warwick in 1349, these manors passed to the Beauchamps on Peter's death in 1370. This reinforced the already strong Beauchamp presence in the county but the only Beauchamp fine was that of 1344 by which Barrowden and Greetham and the hundred of Wrangdike were settled (**244**). This possibly included the rents in South Luffenham and Morcott which by 1297 apparently represented the manors. When William Beauchamp earl of Warwick died in 1297 his Rutland lands were described as the manor of Barrowden with assised rents of free tenants in South Luffenham, Morcott, and Greetham, and of free tenants, bondmen, and cotters in Cottesmore, and a rent of £2 from Thomas de Buckland in Manton (*CIPM* iii, 477). When Guy Beauchamp died in 1315 his Rutland lands were described as the manor of Greetham with rents in Cottesmore and the manor of Barrowden with rents of assise at Luffenham and Morcott (*CIPM* v, 615).

The Montforts appear in three thirteenth century fines, those of 1209 and 1245 with religious houses already mentioned (**28**, **59**) and one of 1247 by which Peter de Montfort acquired from Gunfrey de Leigh and his wife Alice of a quarter part of a messuage, a toft, and a hide, 9½ bovates, and eight acres of land in Stamford (Lincs.), Brailes (Warks.), North Luffenham, and Wing (**70**).

Lord in 1316	*No.*	*Manor (s)*
Countess of Cornwall	3	Oakham Lordshold, Egleton, and Langham
Warwick, earl of	2/4	Barrowden, Greetham, rents in South Luffenham and Morcott
Montfort, Peter	2	Preston and Uppingham
Badlesmere, Bartholemew	2	Hambleton Magna and Market Overton
Segrave, Nicholas	2	Burley and Stretton II
Zouche	2	Clipsham and North Luffenham I
Holand, Robert de	1	Ridlington I
Basset of Drayton	1	Exton II
Basset of Sapcote	1	Barrow with Wenton II
Colville, Robert de	1	Barrow with Wenton I
Cromwell	1	Essendine
Deincourt	1	Ketton (Kilthorpe)
Despenser	1	Ryhall with Belmesthorpe
Wake, Thomas	1	Whissendine I
Warre, de la	1	Great Casterton (Woodhead)

Table 12. Magnate manors in 1316.

The two manors held by Bartholomew de Badlesmere had previously belonged to the Umfravilles (*VCH* ii, 68, 141–2). In 1316 he held them in the right of his wife, widow of Gilbert de Umfraville, but in 1337 a later Gilbert quitclaimed them to Bartholomew's son Giles who had been born at Hambleton in October 1314 (*CCR* 1337–9, 102–3). His intention to acquire a permanent interest in them may be signalled by his acquisition in 1315 of three messuages, 150 acres of land, and 6*s* and half a pound of cumin rent in Hambleton (**172**) but it was not unknown for husbands to acquire lands in manors held in their wives' right as, for instance, Nicholas de Segrave did in Alsthorpe. Giles de Badlesmere died without issue in 1338 leaving four sisters as his heirs. Market Overton passed to the Veres and Hambleton to the Mortimers and then by descent to Richard duke of York who was dealing with it in a fine of 1449 (**334**). Nicholas de Segrave held two manors in the county in 1316 but although he had been granted Stretton by his father he held Burley in the right of his wife Alice. This manor certainly included lands in Alsthorpe and Nicholas appears as lord of Burley and Alsthorpe in 1316, but the chief landholder in the vill at the time was Walter de Yarmouth and when his son Thomas alienated the lands in 1363 they were described as the manor of Alsthorpe (**266**). Burley was settled on Alice's son John by her former husband Gerard de Lisle in 1313 (**166**) while Stretton and lands in Alsthorpe which Nicholas had acquired passed

to their daughter Matilda and then, on her childless death, reverted to the main Segrave line. Burley later changed hands several times but was acquired in 1383 by Sir Robert de Plessington, chief baron of the Exchequer, and eventually passed in 1457 to the Plessington heiress Isabel and her husband John Fraunceys who in 1461 granted a rent of 20 marks from the manor to Fulk Stafford and his wife Margaret (**338**) (*VCH* ii, 115).

The Zouches, with their *caput* at Harringworth just over the county border, are the most persistent presence in the fines. Their manor of Clipsham was granted in 1317 by William Lord Zouche (*d* 1352) to his three elder sons William, John, and Roger, for their lives at a rent of £20 to their father while he lived (**178**). The younger William was executed in 1326 and John and Roger had probably died by 1351 when the manor was settled again on the elder William for life with remainder to William la Zouche of Totnes, his grandson and heir, and his issue, and the right heirs of the elder William (**253**). The elder William (*d* 1352) had no fewer than six younger sons (GEC xii.2, 940; *CPR* 1324–7, 254). One of these was Thomas who in 1345 had a quitclaim from Bernard de Brus of a three messuages, three virgates and 250 acres of land, 10 acres of meadow, and 10 acres of pasture in Exton (**249**). Later in the same year he settled extensive lands in Exton, North Luffenham, and Wing on himself and his wife Christine and his issue, with remainder to his brother Edmund for life, and then their father William and his heirs (**250**). These comprised 14 messuages, one toft, 6 virgates and 260 acres of land, 12 acres of meadow, 12 acres of pasture, and 24*s* rent in Exton, North Luffenham, and Wing (**250**). Of this holding 10 messuages, 5 virgates, 160½ acres of land, and 8½ acres and ½ rood of meadow, and 12 acres of pasture were in possession, and the reversion of four messuages, the toft, one virgate, 100 acres of land, and 3 acres 1½ roods of meadow held in nineteen separate life tenancies varying between a messuage or one acre of land and a messuage, toft, and virgate of land. In three later appearances Sir William la Zouche acted as a feoffee for Robert and Elizabeth Dabridgecourt in 1432, and John la Zouche for the Greenhams in 1438 and for the Yorks in 1449 (**326**, **330**, **334**).

Of those who held just one manor in the county in 1316 there are no fines for Holand, Basset of Drayton, Basset of Sapcote, Deincourt, or Wake, or their successors. The Colvilles appear in one early fine which was part of their acquisition of Barrow with Wenton from the earlier de Barrow holders and again as joint lord of Barrow with Wenton in Stamford Priory's fine of 1253 (**27**, **74**). In 1323 Essendine was settled by John de Cromwell and his wife Idonia on themselves for the life of Idonia with remainder to the Despensers (**199**). This did not, in fact, join the Despenser manor of Ryhall in the county as this was forfeited in 1326 and later granted to the earl of Kent and his successors. In 1263 Hugh Despenser leased a fishery in the Gwash between Tolethorpe and Ryhall (**95**; fig. 6). The manor of Great or Bridge Casterton, often called Woodhead from the fortified site to the north of the village where remains of a castle still survive, had passed to John lord de la Warre with his wife Joan, sister and heir of Thomas de Grelle (*d* 1311) and in 1344 they settled it on their grandson John, younger son of their son John (*dvp* 1331), and his issue with remainder to themselves and the heirs of John the grandfather (**243**) (GEC iv, 141–52). Assuming this was the whole manor, it was described as three messuages and three virgates of land with the reversion of four messuages and two virgates of land. Despite the settlement by the fine of 1344, Casterton was detached from the rest of the Warre inheritance when it was granted to Joan, daughter of Roger de la Warre (*d* 1370) and wife of Sir Thomas West; they sold it to Hugh Browe in 1392.

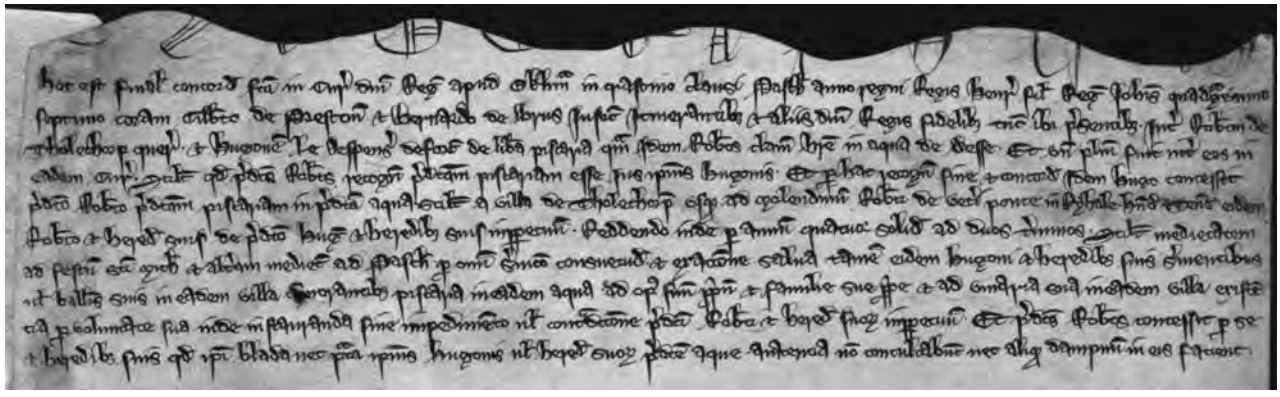

Fig. 6. Fine no 95, Oakham 1263, lease of a fishery between Tolethorpe and Ryhall (TNA CP25/1/192/3/62).

Other than those which involved religious houses and where an individual was acting as a feoffee, these magnates appear as a party to only twelve fines, to which Scrope's acquisition of Little Casterton in 1321 should be added. The proportion of the total number of fines is under 4% compared with their 30% of the manors, an even greater discrepancy than for the church. This may be explained partly by their larger estates.

Fines of settlements by these great ones are more likely to have included manors in more than one county and therefore are probably to be found in the 'Divers Counties' files, for example, the fine of a large-scale settlement by Thomas Beauchamp, earl of Warwick, in 1361 which included the reversion of Preston and Uppingham on Montfort's death, and another by John de Mowbray, successor of the Segraves, whose settlement in 1414 included a toft and two virgates in Alsthorpe.[1] Later settlements of the Beauchamp lands included Preston and Uppingham in 1466 and Barrowden, Greetham, Wrangdyke hundred, Preston and Uppingham in 1488, while a settlement by Mowbray in 1469 included the holding in Alsthorpe.[2]

As may be seen from Table 13, the gentry interest in the county was rather diffuse, with the 41 manors being held by 33 individuals. William de Basing had inherited the three Normanville manors, and Alice de Beyville, Ralph de Greenham, Theobald de Neville, John de Seyton, William de St Liz, and Walter de Yarmouth each held two manors. John de Harington held Glaston while his son Richard held a manor in Whissendine but they parted as Glaston passed to John's younger sons and a cadet branch. John de Byron was to add Hambleton Parva to his manor of Whitwell in 1317 and likewise the Daneys family acquired the manors of Lyndon in 1358 and Horn by 1361 to add to their manor of Tickencote (**260**).

Lord in 1316	*Manor (s)*
Basing, William de	Empingham, Horn II, and Normanton
Boyville, Alice de	Ayston and Wardley
Basset, John	North Luffenham II
Beaufeu, John de	Seaton (Uphall) I
Blount, William le	Belton
Brus, Bernard de	Exton I
Buckland, Thomas de?	Manton I
Burton, Nicholas de	Tolethorpe
Bussy, John de	Thistleton
Byron, John de	Whitwell
Causton/Brus/Byron	Hambleton (Parva)
Daneys, Brice le	Tickencote
Foleville, John de	Teigh
Fraunkton, Alan de	Horn I
Greenham, Ralph de	Ketton and South Luffenham II
Gyny, Roger de	Pickworth
Harington, John de	Glaston
Harington, Richard de	Whissendine III (Moor Hall)
Helewelle, Roger de	Whissendine II
Hotot, William	Gunthorpe
Mare, Geoffrey de la	Exton III
Middleton, Thomas de	Bisbrooke II
Morewood, Roger de	Stoke Dry
Neville of Wymeswold, John	Bisbrooke I
Neville, John de	Little Casterton II
Neville, Theobald de	Braunston II and Leighfield
Seyton, John de	Martinsthorpe and Seaton with Thorpe II
St Liz, William de	Morcott II and Seaton with Thorpe III
Tuchet, Robert	Ashwell
Uffington, William de	Pilton
Wittlebury, John de	Whissendine IV
Wyville, John de	Ridlington II
Yarmouth, Walter de	Cottesmore and Alsthorpe

Table 13. Gentry manors in 1316.

The descent of four of these manors (Ridlington II, Manton I, Exton III, and Gunthorpe) after 1316 is unclear or lost. Of the remaining 37, perhaps the most notable feature is that fourteen, over a third, remained in the hands of the same family until at least the late fifteenth century and in some cases for much longer. These were Seaton I and II, Belton, Ayston, Wardley, Pilton, Whissendine II and IV, Thistleton, Ashwell, Ketton,

[1] TNA CP25/1/288/46 no. 596; 291/63 no. 11.
[2] TNA CP25/1/294/74 nos. 41, 64; 294/79 no. 7.

South Luffenham II, North Luffenham II, and Tolethorpe (*VCH* ii, *passim.*). Another twelve manors passed to new families by descent through heiresses: the Foleville, Brus, Middleton, and Harington manors of Teigh, Exton I, Bisbrooke II, and Whissendine III in the late fourteenth century; Glaston, the Neville manor of Bisbrooke I, and the two St Liz manors in the early fifteenth century; the Daneys manor of Tickencote, along with their new acquisitions, and the three Basing manors in the mid-fifteenth century (*VCH* ii, *passim.*).

These 26 manors account for over two-thirds of the 37. Of the remaining eleven, Little Casterton was sold in 1321 (**192**), Alsthorpe in 1363 (**266**), and Pickworth in the 1420s and again in the 1450s (**337**, **339**). The Byron manors of Whitwell and Hambleton Parva passed to the Burtons in the latter part of the fourteenth century, possibly through marriage to an heiress, but were sold in 1412 to Roger Flore, the Oakham woolstapler (**317**) (see pp31, 33). A manor in Horn passed from the Franktons to the Tolthorpes (**175**), possibly by marriage, but then to the Daneys by 1361, and Martinsthorpe passed from the Seytons to the Feildings in the early fifteenth century, another possible alienation. The Yarmouths lost their manor of Cottesmore through litigation in the mid-fourteenth century and it passed to Lora de Salyng who sold it in 1390 (**287**) along with Stoke Dry in the following year which had been settled on her by her second husband (**289**; see p32). The Neville manors of Leighfield and Braunston passed to a daughter and heir who settled them on a second husband whose daughter sold them in 1382 (**270**, **279**; see pp28-9). The high proportion of manors which passed by descent, and the comparatively small proportion which were certainly or probably alienated, may account for the relatively small number of fines which concern manors. On the other hand, this is not necessarily a factor; not all of the above alienations are represented by a fine in the edition while there are many fines of manors which were not connected with alienations and were internal family settlements such as that made by Bernard de Brus in 1325 (**206**, **207**). Many of these landholders also held land in other counties and, as with the magnates, some of their manors appear in the fines of 'Divers Counties' such as the settlement of Ashwell with Markeaton (Derbys.) by Robert Tuchet in 1335. It would be difficult to establish with any degree of accuracy what proportion of the fines are concerned with these gentry manors, given the difficulty of tracing some manorial descents and that the elasticity of description of manors applied particularly to them, but it is certain that it did not amount to half. The bulk of the fines are concerned with holdings which, however substantial in some cases, did not amount to manors and consequently with a class of landholder below the gentry level.

The purposes of fines

Finally a few of the fines may be picked out for more detailed discussion of the circumstances in which they were made.

Two are illustrative of the way fines were occasionally a small part of much larger affairs. Such a one was that of 1323 concerning the manor of Essendine (**199**). This manor had been part of the great Vipont inheritance which on the death of Robert de Vipont in 1264 had been divided between his two daughters Isabel and Idonia who were married to landless or near landless friends of the king (GEC vii, 642–3). Idonia's first husband, Roger de Leyburn, died in 1284 and their son shortly afterwards but at some time between 6 April 1301 and 25 June 1302 she married John de Cromwell, another landless younger son (GEC v. 440n). In 1302 at least the bulk, if not all, of Idonia's inheritance was settled on her and Cromwell and their issue (*CPR* 1301–07, 40; Travers 1989, no. 543). Idonia and Cromwell do not appear to have had any issue but by the settlements of 1302 Cromwell had a life interest in her lands and the heir presumptive was her nephew Robert de Clifford (*d* 1314) and then his son Roger.[1] Cromwell had a long and successful career in the king's service but his position came under threat with the rise of the younger Despenser. The favourite wished to acquire Idonia's lands for his younger son Edward and, in a series of murky negotiations which began in 1320 and were concluded in 1323, obliged Cromwell and Idonia to resettle her inheritance so that after her death it would revert to the Despensers, depriving Cromwell of his life interest (*CCR* 1318–23, 346, 358–9, 368–9; *CPR* 1321–4, 167–8, 174, 324; *Cat Anc Deeds* iv, A9399; *CIPM* vii, 559). Cromwell did not join the 1321 uprising by many of his colleagues in the royal service but in October 1321 he and Idonia went to the leading rebel Badlesmere at Canterbury to beg for his help and moved on with him to join the main rebel assembly at Oxford (*GEC* iii, 553; Maddicott 1970, 78, 87, 90, 111–2, 147, 184, 211, 251, 267, 293, 299; Davies 1918, 55, 173, 220–1; Haines 2003, 132; Prestwich 2002, 6). The fine of 1323 is therefore a small reflection of the circumstances in which many prominent royal servants found their lands and position under threat from the rise of the Despensers (Wells-Furby forthcoming).

Another fine which was a small element of wider arrangements was that of 1344 by which Thomas Beauchamp, earl of Warwick, carried out a settlement of the manors of Barrowden and Greetham and the

[1] Cromwell's son Ralph, who was a knight by May 1315, was presumably by an earlier wife: *CCR* 1313–8, 230; Idonia was at least forty by 1302 when first known to have been married to Cromwell and probably ten years older.

hundred of Wrangdike which was one part of a comprehensive organisation of his extensive properties in 1344–5 (**244**) (Holmes 1957, 48–9; GEC xii.2, 372–5). In 1344 the earl was thirty years old and had sons Guy, Thomas, and Reynbrun. His arrangements were intended to settle the great bulk of his lands in tail male, limiting their descent to his Beauchamp descendants and excluding the possibility that they might pass to any daughters and their families. They were unusually thorough as he gave his brother John and John's male issue priority over any female descendants of his own. Warwick Castle and the bulk of the paternal inheritance including the lordships of Barnard Castle in Durham and a Welsh lordship were settled on himself and the eldest son Guy jointly with remainders to Thomas and Reynbrun. A few manors were settled on the earl and his wife with reversion to Guy, a few with reversion to Thomas, and the Rutland lands with reversion to Reynbrun, although Reynbrun was to have only a life interest. Another group of lands were granted to feoffees to provide a rent of £373 which was to provide marriage portions for his daughters. By 1356 two other sons, William and Roger, had been born but the arrangements had to be amended later. As was so frequently the case, although the earl had several sons few survived him. Reynbrun had died by 29 July 1361 and Roger died between 29 July and 15 October 1361 – this was a plague year – while it seems likely that the eldest son Guy, who had died in the previous year, died on campaign. Guy had been married and had daughters born in 1353 and 1358. He was knighted with his next brother Thomas in 1355 when about to leave for an invasion of France with the king and he was serving again in the campaign of 1359–60. He died in France in April 1360. By late 1361 the earl had only the two sons surviving, Thomas and William. He withdrew some of the properties from the trust and joined them with a number of other properties to be settled on himself with reversion to Thomas who was now the eldest son. Finally, shortly before his death in November 1369, he added yet more properties to the trust so that William should be granted an income of 400 marks (or £267) a year. Thomas duly succeeded him as heir male although without the earlier settlements the great Beauchamp inheritance would have passed to Guy's two daughters, Katherine and Elizabeth. Elizabeth died between August and December 1369 when aged only eleven and by September 1369 Katherine, then aged sixteen, was a nun at Shouldham Priory in Norfolk. The settlements were reinforced by this added precaution as professed nuns could not inherit land. She was still alive in 1400. She could have been one of the great heiresses of the fourteenth century but instead she was shuffled off to a nunnery to live out her days, thus giving no trouble to her uncle, the new earl of Warwick.

Cromwell and Warwick were great ones of the land, magnates whose large estates gave them a role in national affairs and at court at the highest level. Their land dealings might therefore have an effect on national events, whether it was Despenser's interference in the estate of Cromwell's wife which contributed to the general fear of Despenser's greed or whether it was Warwick's settlements in tail male which prevented his inheritance passing to his granddaughter on his death in 1369. Ranking below them were the gentry, smaller people whose land dealings were of much the same type as those of the great ones but tended not to have an effect on national affairs.

The Bruses of Exton (Rutl.) and Conington (Hunts.) were a comparatively humble knightly family although closely related to Robert, King of Scotland as Bernard II of Exton was the first cousin of the king's grandfather (*VCH* ii, 128–9, *VCH Hunts* iii, 146–8). Bernard III (*d* 1330) appears in several fines. In 1314 he acquired the reversion of the manor of Hambleton Parva but then in 1317 granted it to John Byron (**170**, **180**). By a fine of May 1321 he obtained a quitclaim from his cousin Bernard son of John de Brus of the manor of Exton and a messuage, 8 virgates of land, 15 acres of meadow, and 6 acres of pasture in Cottesmore (**191**). Three messuages, two virgates and 256 acres of land, and 6 acres of meadow in Exton were excepted from the quitclaim and may have been the younger son's portion. By another fine of October 1321, however, he granted a messuage with 7½ virgates of land and 18 acres of meadow in Cottesmore, Greetham, Thistleton, [Market] Overton, and Barrow to Walter de Yarmouth (**194**). Whether this holding was separate to that quitclaimed in May is unclear but it seems likely. Finally, there was a family settlement. By two fines of October 1325 Bernard granted a third part of Exton to his son Bernard IV and his wife Matilda and their issue, with remainder to Bernard III and his heirs, and the other two-thirds was settled on himself for life with remainder to Bernard and Matilda and their issue and the right heirs of himself (**206**, **207**). Bernard III died holding Conington and two-thirds of Exton in 1330 when Bernard IV was 18 or 19 (*CIPM* vii, 271). In 1345 Bernard IV quitclaimed to Thomas son of William la Zouche of Harringworth a large holding in Exton consisting of three messuages, three virgates and 250 acres of land, 10 acres of meadow, and 10 acres of pasture (**249**).

Bernard III had taken the trouble to entail Exton by his fines of 1325 but it was settled only in tail general and not in tail male. Such a settlement prevented his successors from alienating the lands but did not alter the customary feudal rules of descent. When the male line of the Bruses ran out in 1347, it did not prevent the manor passing through the female line for some time. Bernard IV and Matilda had no issue and his heir was

his brother John who died in 1346 leaving four daughters and a posthumous son Bernard V who died before he was a year old in 1347 (*CIPM* viii, 674; ix, 558). John had evidently been granted the family's other manor of Conington (Hunts.) as in 1342 he had licence to settle it on himself and his wife Margaret and his heirs, although his elder brother Bernard was still alive in 1345 (**249**) (*CPR* 1340–3, 565). Bernard V's four sisters were the heirs and their wardship quickly came into the hands of the merchant John de Wessenham. The three younger girls Joan, Elizabeth, and Helen, were then aged around nine, seven, and five respectively; Wessenham immediately had them placed in nunneries and in 1353 the eldest girl Agnes was married to Wessenham's son Hugh. His ploy to ensure that the whole Brus inheritance came to Agnes and Hugh was not as successful as the disposition of the Warwick girls. Agnes's sister Joan escaped from Nuneaton Priory in 1358 and shortly afterwards married Nicholas Green and claimed her share of the estate (*CCR* 1349–54, 170–1, 1354–60, 549–50, 667–70; *CIPM* x, 47, 484; *VCH Hunts* iii, 147). There was, naturally, a good deal of debate over whether Joan was professed or not but a partition of the inheritance was made in 1359 (*CCR* 1354–60, 667–70; *CFR* 1356–68, 59; *CIPM* x, 484). Because of Joan's audacity and determination the young Wessenham's prospective estate was halved. The partition divided the two manors of Exton and Conington, including the houses, between the sisters and the manors were still held in moieties in 1368 but after this it would seem that a more sensible agreement was made by which the Wessenhams had the whole of Conington and the Greens had the whole of Exton.

In 1371 Nicholas Green acquired a holding of a messuage, a half-virgate of land, and two acres of meadow in Exton to himself and his own heirs, Joan not being mentioned (**272**), but two years later the manor was settled on Nicholas and Joan and their male issue with remainders to their daughter Elizabeth and her husband Sir John de Holand and their issue, the issue of Nicholas and Joan, the issue of Nicholas, and finally the right heirs of Nicholas (**274**).[1] This is a particularly interesting fine as, by it, Nicholas was establishing the priority of his own heirs over the right heirs of Joan even though he held the manor in her right. In other words, if he and Joan had no surviving issue, then it would pass to his children by another wife or his own heirs rather than to the Wessenhams. In the event, he and Joan had two daughters, Elizabeth and Eleanor, who married Sir Thomas Culpepper. Elizabeth and John de Holand died without issue and on Joan's death in 1421 the manor passed to her grandson John Culpepper, son of Eleanor and Sir Thomas. For a third time within a century the manor was to pass through the female line as John and his wife Juliana had an only daughter Katherine who married first John Harington and secondly Brian Talbot. In 1465 Katherine and Brian Talbot granted ten messuages, five tofts, nine virgates of land, and 18*d* rent in Exton to Gervase Clifton and in 1481 three mills and 24 acres of meadow in Exton to Robert Hans (**341**, **343**). What remained of the manor then passed to Katherine's son Robert Harington and his descendants (*VCH* ii, 129).

An earlier family of Harington had held the manor of Moorhall in Whissendine which appears in two unusual fines (*VCH* ii, 159). The manor was held at a rent of £4 a year from the Balliols and on the forfeiture of their English lands Edward I granted the rent to his nephew John of Brittany, earl of Richmond, with other Balliol property. Richmond was a younger son of the duke of Brittany and the family had a long-established hereditary right to the English earldom of Richmond (*GEC* x, 779–824). John is thought to have been born in 1266 and spent most of his life in the service of his uncle and cousin, Edward I and Edward II, but by 1330 he was probably over sixty and evidently wished to retire. On 5 May 1331 he had a licence from the king to grant his lands to his niece Mary de St Pol which survives in three versions: one to grant to her all the castles, towns, manors, and lands which he held in chief in England, one specifying certain lands including the £4 rent in Whissendine, and one specifying the castles of Richmond and Bowes and all the other lands pertaining to his earldom in England (*CPR* 1330–34, 110, 124–5, 150). In February 1333 he had another licence to grant the former Balliol lands, including the £4 rent in Whissendine, to Mary in exchange for lands in France, and on 7 November he leased to Mary, 'for life', at a rent of £1,800 a year his castles, manors, and towns of Richmond and Bowes, the lands held in the right of his earldom, and all his other lands in England (*CPR* 1330–34, 404, 484). He died in January 1334. Mary does not seem to have held the lands pertaining to the earldom for long as her cousin John, duke of Brittany, claimed and obtained the honour of Richmond in March 1334 and when he died in 1341 he was holding the castle and honour of Richmond, the castle of Bowes, and other lands pertaining to the earldom (*CIPM* viii, 335). It is particularly interesting that the elder John should have chosen Mary, a woman, as the lessee of his estates. She had been married to the senior English statesman Aymer de Valence, earl of Pembroke, in Paris in July 1321 but her husband died three years later and she lived as his widow for over fifty years, eventually dying in 1377. She held her dower third

[1] In 1391 Thomas Edesale and his wife Joan quitclaimed the manor, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to the widowed Joan Green (**288**); Joan Edesale's claim to the manor is unknown.

of the Pembroke estate for all this time, as well as the lands of her uncle which did not belong to the earldom of Richmond, and was evidently a competent manager. She was also evidently of an independent turn of mind, not at all afraid of the responsibility of managing her large estate on her own. It may be imagined that, with her wealth, she was an attractive proposition and widows often remarried but she chose to remain single. She employed her wealth and independence to found two religious houses, both rather unusual. One was Denny Abbey in Cambridgeshire which was one of only three houses in England of 'Poor Clares', an order which catered for women within the Franciscan Order of Friars. The other was Pembroke Hall at Cambridge (for Mary's activities see Ward 1992, 155–6, 159–60).

A college was a type of religious foundation, a society of resident chantry priests who were bound to offer Mass and perform the liturgy for some specific founder. To some of them a condition of learning was attached and this type escaped dissolution under the Tudors so it has appropriated the generic name of them all because it survived into the modern world. There was an early association with the universities, the Oxford and Cambridge colleges, and other early foundations were Eton College and Winchester College. The corporate body was made up of the clerks who served the college chapel and received support while pursuing higher studies. These men were the Fellows and were usually in holy orders. The great majority of the scholars were also studying with a view to proceeding to the priesthood. Mary de Valence decided to found one of these colleges at Cambridge and the £4 rent from the Haringtons at Whissendine was part of its foundation. In 1346 the king released his rights in the rent to Mary and in 1349 she had licence to grant the rent to her new foundation. This was carried out by two fines of January 1361 and May 1362 in which she gave the rent to the keeper and scholars of 'Valence Marie' Hall (**264**, **265**). It is curious that two fines were made and there are a few differences between them. The 1361 one mentions the warden and scholars and the 1362 just the warden, the 1361 one specifies that the rent is to be held of the king and the 1362 just of the chief lord of the fee, and in the 1361 one the tenant Harington is not identified as a knight. Mary's French origins no doubt account for the fact that the statutes gave a preference to students born in France who had already studied elsewhere in England. They also required students to report fellow students if they indulged in excessive drinking or visited disreputable houses (www.pem.cam.ac.uk). The college was later known as Pembroke Hall and became Pembroke College in 1856.

It has already been seen how Nicholas Green used a fine in 1373 so that the manor of Exton would descend, failing issue of himself and his wife Joan, to his own issue and heirs rather than to hers. Another of a similar type was made in 1370. The manors of Braunston and Leighfield, the bailiwick of the Forest of Rutland, and other appurtenant lands in Rutland, along with the manor of Allexton and other holdings in Leicestershire passed on the death of Theobald Neville in 1316 to his daughter and heir Alice (*VCH* ii, 16, 33). These were lands which had belonged to the infamous forester of Rutland Peter de Neville, and which Theobald, who eventually also gained custody of the forest himself in 1300, had been fortunate to recover following his father's outlawry in 1274 and death *c*1276 (Turner 1899, esp 43-53; Clough 1998). Alice may have been married before her father's death to Reginald de Warle as in 1313 Theobald granted Braunston and other lands to Reginald and his wife Alice in fee tail to hold of him at a rose a year. By 1325 Alice was married to John Hakluyt and in this year the lands of her inheritance were settled on them. Hakluyt was apparently landless as the only lands mentioned in his inquisition *post mortem* were those in Rutland and Leicestershire which he held in the right of his wife. He died in January 1362 leaving by Alice a son William who was then said to be 25 or 26 and more (*CIPM* xi, 349). Alice survived him and in May 1362 the escheator was ordered to deliver to her the lands of her inheritance in Rutland (*CCR* 1360–4, 328). In 1363 she obtained a quitclaim of Braunston from William. By 1366 she had married again to John Wardedieu and in 1370 Braunston and the appurtenant lands in Leighfield, Ridlington, Uppingham, Wardley, and Holyoaks were settled on Alice and John Wardedieu and their issue, with remainders to her son William Hakluyt and his issue, and then the right heirs of Wardedieu (**270**). In 1368 the forest bailiwick was granted by Alice and Wardedieu to Robert Wardedieu of Bodiam and John de la Porte (**269**). This was evidently for a settlement as it later passed with Braunston. The chances of William being ousted from his inheritance by a half-sibling were remote as Alice was probably too old for child-bearing when Hakluyt died in 1362; she was then at least 46, given that her father had died in 1316, and probably considerably older if she was the Alice married to Reginald de Warle in 1313. Nevertheless, the settlement gave his stepfather a life interest in the lands, it ensured that William could not alienate the lands, and that, if he had no issue, they would then pass to Wardedieu's heirs rather than Alice's own heirs.

Alice died in the year following the 1370 settlement (*CIPM* xiii, 130). It was found that her Leicestershire lands had been settled on her and John and the heirs and assigns of John but despite this, and despite the settlement of the Rutland lands which gave John a life interest and an order to the escheator to deliver

Braunston and the bailiwick to him (*CCR* 1369–74, 247), her lands passed to her son William Hakluyt. He did not long survive his mother, however, as he died in 1373 holding the lands of her inheritance (*CIPM* xiii, 262). He died without issue but he had enfeoffed his Leicestershire lands to feoffees in January 1372 (*CIPM* xiv, 74). His stepfather Wardedieu died on Easter Eve 1377 but, although only the Northamptonshire return of his inquisition *post mortem* survives, he had evidently gained possession of the Rutland lands as they passed to his daughter and heir Elizabeth, wife of Sir Edward Dallingridge (*CIPM* xiv, 340). Elizabeth was presumably the child of Wardedieu's earlier marriage to Margaret, daughter of Sir Warin Latimer (*VCH Northants* iv, 173). If it had not been for the fine, Braunston and the appurtenant lands would have passed to the 'right heir' of Alice, although the identity of her right heirs is confused. According to the inquisition of 1373, William Hakluyt's heirs were said to be Sir John de Mewes and John Trussell, but according to that of 1375 the heir was said to be John Mey of Loddington. Braunston passed to Wardedieu's daughter Elizabeth but in 1382 she and Dallingridge sold it to Sir William de Burgh and his son-in-law Theobald Warde and the heirs of William (**279**). In 1398 the bailiwick of the Forest of Rutland was settled on Sir William and his wife Margery for their lives with remainder to their daughter Anne Warde, then widowed, and her male issue by Warde, her issue, and her right heirs (**304**). Anne married again to Robert Chesilden and in 1427 they granted the third part of Braunston held by Sir William's widow Margery to Richard Aldenham and his heirs (**322**; fig. 7). Aldenham was a clergyman [1] and this was probably part of a settlement as when Anne eventually died in 1445 the manor of Braunston passed to her grandson John Chesilden, she apparently having had no issue by her first husband Theobald Warde. It then descended in the Chesilden family until the mid-seventeenth century.

Fig. 7. Fine no 322, Westminster 1427, grant of a third of the manor of Braunston (TNA CP25/1/192/9/2).

The fines might also be used to alter the feudal rules of descent for the benefit of younger sons and this is illustrated by the Burley fine of 1313 made by Nicholas de Segrave and his wife who used the vicar of Burley as the feoffee (**166**). Alice had inherited Burley, along with Kislingbury and Church Stowe (Northants.), from her father Henry and uncle John de Armenters (for the Armenters estate, see Wells-Furby 2004, 601–8). She had first married Gerard de Lisle (*d* 1287) by whom she had sons Warin, Gerard, and John. By the 1313 fine Alice settled Burley on herself and Segrave and their male issue with remainder to

[1] Aldenham appears again as a feoffee in fines of 1432, 1436, and 1438 (**326**, **329**, **332**); in 1432 and 1438 he is described as a clerk but in 1436 he was vicar of Oakham.

her son John de Lisle and his issue, and her right heirs. In some respects this is similar to Alice Neville's settlement of 1370 as, although Alice and Segrave had been married for at least seventeen years, it is unlikely that they had a son and by 1313 the chances were remote that she would have any more children: if Alice and Segrave had had a son surviving in 1313 he would probably have been named in the fine. Alice's eldest son, Warin de Lisle, was born by 1273 so Alice was probably at least in the late thirties, and probably some years older, when she married Segrave between 1293 and 1297. They had a daughter, however, so by the custom known as 'the courtesy of England' Nicholas would be entitled to hold her lands for the rest of his life. The conditions in the fine of a joint settlement on Alice and Segrave and the remainder to their male issue were, therefore, merely nominal. The main purpose of the fine was to settle the reversion on her younger son. By this means Alice was able to ensure that John would eventually inherit the manor but without penalising herself by the loss of its income for the rest of her own life. The manor duly passed to John (*d* 1333) (*CCR* 1333–7, 68) and then to his son John II and to his son Henry. At the end of the 1350s Henry went to Prussia, like Chaucer's Knight, and died there in prison but before he left he had granted Burley and other lands in Northamptonshire to Anne Despenser (TNA SC8/122/6062). She was a Ferrers and the widow of that Edward Despenser who had inherited Idonia de Vipont's lands. Anne married Edward Despenser (*d* 1342) at Groby in 1335; their son Edward was born at Essendine in March 1336 and was heir to his uncle Hugh in 1349 (*GEC* iv, 274–5).

Henry de Lisle was closely associated with Anne's family as in 1357 he was going abroad to serve in Gascony with her son Edward Despenser (*CPR* 1354–8, 637), and when Anne's brother Thomas de Ferrers died in 1353 he had settled his manors of Moor End and Plumpton Pury (Northants.) on his wife Ankaret Lestrange for life with remainders to Henry de Lisle and his male issue, and then Thomas Despenser and his male issue, and the right heirs of Thomas; Thomas was Anne's younger son (GEC iv, 275n; *CIPM* x, 98; *CCR* 1349–54, 559; *VCH Northants* v, 256). Henry's alienation of Burley was disputed by Warin de Lisle, grandson of Alice's eldest son Warin, who was the next heir under the terms of the 1313 settlement. Anne called in the assistance of the king. She agreed to grant Moor End and Plumpton, along with a Despenser manor at Yardley Gobion, to the king in exchange for his assistance in establishing her title to Burley by buying out Warin. By August 1362 it had been agreed that the king would buy the manor from Warin who would quitclaim to Anne whatever claim he had either as heir of Sir Henry de Lisle or by virtue of any entail, and that the king would have certain Despenser lands in Northamptonshire and all the lands in that county which had been Henry's (TNA E40/13638, 13639). In the following year Anne and her son Thomas granted Moor End, Plumpton Pury, and Yardley Gobion, to the king and Warin quitclaimed Burley to Anne and to the king. William Lord Ferrers, Anne's nephew and also nephew and heir of Thomas de Ferrers, quitclaimed Moor End, Plumpton Pury, and Yardley Gobion to the king in exchange for which the king granted the moiety of Burley to Thomas Despenser and his male issue, with remainder to Ferrers (TNA E40/4795; *Catalogue of Ancient Deeds*, iii, 105–6, 116, 133, 137; v, 84, 557–8; *CPR* 1361–4, 409, 417; *CCR* 1360–64, 551). Despite, then, the conditions laid down in the 1313 fine, the Despenser title to Burley was established. The manor did not pass to Lisle, the heir both in law and by the entail established by the fine, but he was able to establish a strong enough claim to warrant the king's intervention and presumably had some compensation although this is unknown. The alienation and acquisition of land in the middle ages was never an entirely simple matter but this is a particularly complex example.

Marie de Valence and the Despensers were peers, and in the company of the Bruses and the Hakluyts we are still among the gentry but moving further down the social scale there is one resident of Burley who occurs particularly frequently as a party to no fewer than six fines between 1315 and 1325. This was Robert Holdward 'of Burley' whose wife Agnes was evidently a considerable heiress as the six fines were alienations of lands in Alsthorpe and neighbouring Whitwell and Cottesmore which belonged to her. As well as a messuage in Oakham alienated in 1315, these included a bovate of land and 23 acres of pasture in Cottesmore and Alsthorpe and 12 acres of meadow in Alsthorpe alienated in 1320–1 to Walter de Yarmouth, two messuages with 170 acres of land and the reversion of another 40 acres of land in Alsthorpe alienated in 1325 to John de Cottesmore, and a messuage, mill, 76 acres of land, six acres of meadow, and 2*s* 6*d* rent in Whitwell granted in 1323 to John Byron (**173, 188–9, 195, 198, 204**). This was a substantial estate comprising probably around 300 acres of land, 23 acres of pasture, and 18 acres of meadow, as well as the Whitwell mill, in adjacent parishes. There are no clues as to why she and Robert alienated these lands. When a couple are found alienating lands of the wife's inheritance it is often the case that the wife's lands were distant from the husband's own paternal inheritance but if Robert's own inheritance lay in Burley, as is suggested by the fact that he occurs once as Robert Holdward 'of Burley', then this certainly does not apply. It is possible that they were childless or that they had fallen into financial difficulties.

There is no clue as to Agnes's parentage but it is possible that she was the heir of John de Burley. John and his wife Sibyl occur in 1282 when Ralph de Whitwell, a chaplain, recognised their right to a substantial holding of a messuage, 66 acres of land, six acres of meadow, and 2*s* 8*d* of rent in Whitwell which Ralph was to hold for life at the low rent of 6*s* 8*d* a year with reversion to John and Sibyl and the heirs of John (**119**). Two years later John acquired from John de Stratton and his wife another messuage and nine acres of land in Whitwell (**121**). John appears as a witness to four Burley charters of Alice de Lisle, lady of the manor, between 1298 and 1307 and in 1306 Alice leased to him a third of a messuage in Burley for his life at a rent of 3*s* a year (Wells-Furby 2004, 609–10). In 1305 John was holding half a knight's fee in Burley, probably Alsthorpe, jointly with William Dansey and Adam de Yarmouth (*Feudal Aids* iv, 204). One William Thaillard put in his claim to the lands which John acquired from Ralph de Whitwell and he may be linked with Ralph Tayllard who in 1263 acquired 1½ acres of land in Burley from Geoffrey Bovfyz and his wife Margery (**92**). William, too, may be found witnessing Alice de Lisle's charters and Ralph Tayllard one of her grandfather Geoffrey de Armenters (Wells-Furby 2004, 609–10). Robert Holdward witnessed Alsthorpe charters for Nicholas de Segrave in 1315 and 1316 (Wells-Furby 2004, 793).

Walter de Yarmouth, John de Cottesmore, and John Byron, to whom the Holdwards sold her lands, also occur in other fines.

John de Cottesmore may be the man of that name who in 1314 acquired a messuage, 47 acres of land, 2 acres of meadow, and 4*s* of rent in Cottesmore from John son of Peter de Cottesmore (**171**) and in 1329 another messuage and 21 acres of land in Cottesmore from William de Helpston (**222**), as well as the two messuages and 170 acres of land, with the reversion of 40 acres, in neighbouring Alsthorpe from the Holdwards in 1325 (**204**). The *VCH* entry for Cottesmore does not mention this large tenancy and it is possible that the Johns were different men. It is no more than a curious coincidence that a later John Cottesmore (*d* 1439) occurs frequently as a justice, appearing on all the fines except one between 1429, when he was appointed a justice of Common Pleas, and his death in 1439 (*ODNB*, Timothy S Haskett). His origins appear to have lain in Oxfordshire where he acquired land.

John Byron is identified as being the son of Henry Byron of Whitwell in 1317 but the early history of the manor of Whitwell was not traced by *VCH* (*VCH* ii, 165). John acquired the manor of Hambleton Parva in 1317 and in 1333 another holding there (**180, 228**) as well as the Holdwards' tenement of a messuage, a mill, 76 acres of land, 6 acres of meadow, and 2*s* 6*d* rent in Whitwell. This was first granted to John and his brother Robert in 1321 to hold for their lives for a rose rent but two years later the Holdwards quitclaimed it to John (**195**, **198**). In 1348 both Whitwell and Hambleton Parva were held by Joan widow of John Byron and Sir William Burton of Tolethorpe. Both manors later passed to the Burtons but there is no evidence of how or why although Burton may have married a Byron heiress (*VCH* ii, 66, 165). Sir William died in 1375–6 and his son Sir Thomas in 1382 holding the manors in jointure with wife Margery; Margery and her son Thomas Burton sold Whitwell and Hambleton Parva with extensive appurtenant lands in Whitwell, Hambleton Parva, Hambleton Magna, Exton, and Empingham, to Roger Flore in 1412 and they remained in the Flore family until the seventeenth century (**317**). The Burtons continued to hold their original manor of Tolethorpe in Little Casterton until *c*1500 when it was alienated to a London merchant (**349**, **351**, **353**).

Walter de Yarmouth was perhaps the most interesting of the three. He was probably the son of Adam son of William de Lincoln of Great Yarmouth who later adopted the less cumbersome name of Adam de Yarmouth. By a fine of 1290 which is in the 'Divers Counties' series, Walter de Windsor granted to Adam son of William de Lincoln of Great Yarmouth and Joan his wife the manor of Cottesmore and two messuages, 140½ acres of land, 18½ acres of meadow, 19 acres of pasture, and 30*s* of rent in West Ham and East Ham (Essex), to Adam and Joan and their issue. They were to pay £40 a year to Walter during his life but after his death only a rose to Walter's heirs. If Adam and Joan died without issue, the lands would revert after their deaths to Walter and his heirs (TNA CP25/1/285/24 no. 2). The *VCH* account of this fine is rather garbled and misleading as it suggests that Adam was also the son of Walter de Windsor but it seems clear that this was not the case (*VCH* II, 121). It is possible, however, that Adam's wife Joan was a daughter of Walter. Another garbled account comes from a pleading in a law suit of 1348, according to which Walter de Yarmouth, who was apparently Adam's son, married Isabel, daughter of Adam son of Walter de Windsor (Wrottesley 1905, 27, 67, and Corrigenda). Walter de Windsor and his wife Sabina occur in fines of 1286 and 1291 by which they first acquired and then alienated a holding in Pickworth (**128, 139**). Whatever the nature of the connection between Windsor and Yarmouth, in 1305 Adam de Yarmouth was joint holder of a fee in Cottesmore and joint holder, with William Dansey and John de Burley, of a fee in Burley which was probably Alsthorpe (*Feudal Aids* iv, 204). Adam died between 1308 and 1314 (*VCH Essex* vi, 9) and his lands passed to Walter de Yarmouth, presumably his son. By a fine of 1319 the Cottesmore holding,

described as four messuages, three carucates of land, 20 acres of meadow, 60 acres of wood, and £4 10*s* of rent, was settled on Walter and his wife Isabel in jointure (**183**). Walter acquired two other substantial holdings in Cottesmore. By a fine of 1316 he acquired from John de Bures and his wife Hawise, daughter and heir of Robert de Muscegros, the holding called Muscegroses consisting of seven messuages, one toft, and 8½ virgates of land in Cottesmore (**174**). By a fine of 1321 he acquired from Bernard de Brus a messuage with 7½ virgates of land and eighteen acres of meadow in Cottesmore, Greetham, Thistleton, [Market] Overton, and Barrow (**194**) (see above, p26). In this context, his acquisitions from the Holdwards in 1320–1 of a bovate of land and 23 acres of pasture in Cottesmore and Alsthorpe and 12 acres of meadow in Alsthorpe were comparatively small-scale. The acquisitions may have been financed by the sale of the Essex lands as around this time those in West Ham passed to John de Preston, a citizen of London, and those in East Ham to Stratford Abbey (*VCH Essex* vi, 9, 71). In 1319 Walter quitclaimed to Nicholas de Segrave 52 acres of land in Alsthorpe which Nicholas had acquired from William Dansey (BCM D/5/71/4).

In 1343 Walter, or a successor of the same name, gave two messuages, two tofts, 160 acres of land, 65¼ meadow, and 20 acres of wood in Alsthorpe to Katherine de Yarmouth and her issue with remainder to Katherine's brother Edmund (**241**). Two years later an exactly similar holding was granted by Edmund de Brus and his wife Katherine to Walter's son Thomas and his wife Elizabeth (**247**). The purpose of these grants is unknown. Although it may be assumed that Edmund de Brus's wife Katherine was the same person as Katherine de Yarmouth the relationship of Katherine to Walter and Thomas de Yarmouth, and the identity of Edmund de Brus, are unknown.

The Yarmouths appear to have been a new and successful family but they quickly came to grief. In 1335 and 1348 Peter de Montfort (*d* 1367) was sueing Walter for Cottesmore on the grounds of the Montfort family's earlier possession of it (Wrottesley 1905, 27, 67, and Corrigenda). Although the immediate consequences of the case are unknown, it would seem that Montfort was successful as the Yarmouths lost possession. Moreover, although the grounds of Montfort's case applied only to the manor acquired from Walter de Windsor, the other holdings of Muscegroses and Bruses were lost as well. In 1363 Thomas de Yarmouth and his wife Joan alienated their remaining manor of Alsthorpe to Thomas de Flete (**266**).

The Yarmouth manor of Cottesmore, with Bruses and Muscegroses, passed to Lora (*d* 1393), who married Sir John de Havering of Upminster (Essex), William de Morewood of Stoke Dry (*d* 1386), and finally Richard Salying. As Lora is a relatively unusual name it is tempting to associate this Lora with the mistress of Peter de Montfort, Lora of Ullenhall, who was the mother of his children John and Alice by 1324, and also with Lora de Astley, a nun at Pinley, who is mentioned in Montfort's will (GEC ix, 129, 130n). It is, however, pure speculation that she might have been Montfort's daughter. She appears to have had no issue by Havering, who had died by 1367, but Lora retained an interest in the manor of Upminster until her death (*VCH Essex* vii, 149; *CIPM* xii, 139 (p115)). Lora and Morewood were married around 1367–8 when his manor of Stoke Dry was settled on them and an echo of this settlement is found in the 1367 fine by which William de Burton and his wife Eleanor quitclaimed Stoke Dry to John Rous and the parson of Upminster from whom Morewood recovered it (**268**). William and Lora de Morewood appear in another fine of 1379 (**277**) by which they acquired a small holding in Stoke Dry to themselves and the heirs of William. William Morewood's son and heir William, aged 18 at the elder William's death in 1386, was probably therefore also Lora's son and may well have been the William Morewood of Stoke Dry who was still alive in May 1398. In May 1387, after William Morewood's death, the escheator was ordered to deliver the manors of Stoke Dry and Cottesmore, along with a toft and carucate of land in Cottesmore and Greetham called *Brusesland* and a toft and two carucates of land called *Muscegroses land*, to Lora as they were all held in jointure with Morewood (*CCR* 1385–9, 229, 240). Lora then married again to Richard Salyng and, despite the fact that the younger William Morewood was almost certainly her son and probably still alive in 1398, she and Salyng alienated both her own manor of Cottesmore in 1390 to Sir John Bozun and the Morewood manor of Stoke Dry in 1391 to Thomas Bataille (**287**, **289**). A Robert Morewood appears as one of Bataille's co-purchasers of Stoke Dry in the fine of 1391 and *VCH* implies that there were two other Morewoods, John and Edmund, involved in the 1391 fine but 'John Edmund' appears to be an individual distinct from Robert Morewood.

The former Yarmouth manor of Cottesmore passed from Bozun to Sir John Bussey and, possibly on the strength of this acquisition, Bussey represented Rutland in parliament in 1391 although he sat in ten other parliaments between 1383 and 1397 for Lincolnshire (Rawcliffe & Clark 1993, ii, 449–54). He forfeited it in 1399 when it was granted to Sir John Dabridgecourt (*d* 1415). In 1427 Sir John's son Robert Dabridgecourt was sued for the holding called Bruses by Thomas Wessenham and John Culpepper, the heirs of Bernard de Brus (Wrottesley 1905, 330). *VCH* did not know the result of the suit but by a fine of 1429 Robert and his wife Elizabeth granted a messuage, 160½ acres of land and 22¾ acres of meadow in Cottesmore and

Greetham, formerly of Bernard de Brus, to John Culpepper and Juliana his wife, Sir John Daneys, Robert Browe, and John Burgh and the heirs of John Burgh (**324**; fig. 8). In 1432 Robert and Elizabeth Dabridgecourt alienated the manor of Cottesmore to John Clipsham and in 1436 he also acquired the Brus holding from John Braunspath and his wife Juliana, but then in 1438 Clipsham and his wife Agnes alienated both the manor and the Brus holding to William Stanlowe (**326**, **329**, **331**). In the latter year Clipsham and Agnes acquired from John Clark of Whissendine and Elizabeth his wife and Thomas Flore a holding of five messuages, seven virgates of land and six acres of meadow in Exton and it was probably this holding which, described as five messuages, 210 acres of land, and 6 acres of meadow, Clipsham and Agnes alienated again in 1448 to Everard Digby and his wife Agnes who was Clark's granddaughter and Thomas Flore's niece (**332**, **333**). Agnes had brought to Digby the former Morewood manor of Stoke Dry which Lora and Richard Salyng had alienated in 1391. This was held by 1419 by Roger Flore and John Clarke whose son Francis married Flore's daughter Agnes and their daughter Agnes inherited Stoke Dry (*VCH* ii, 222–3).

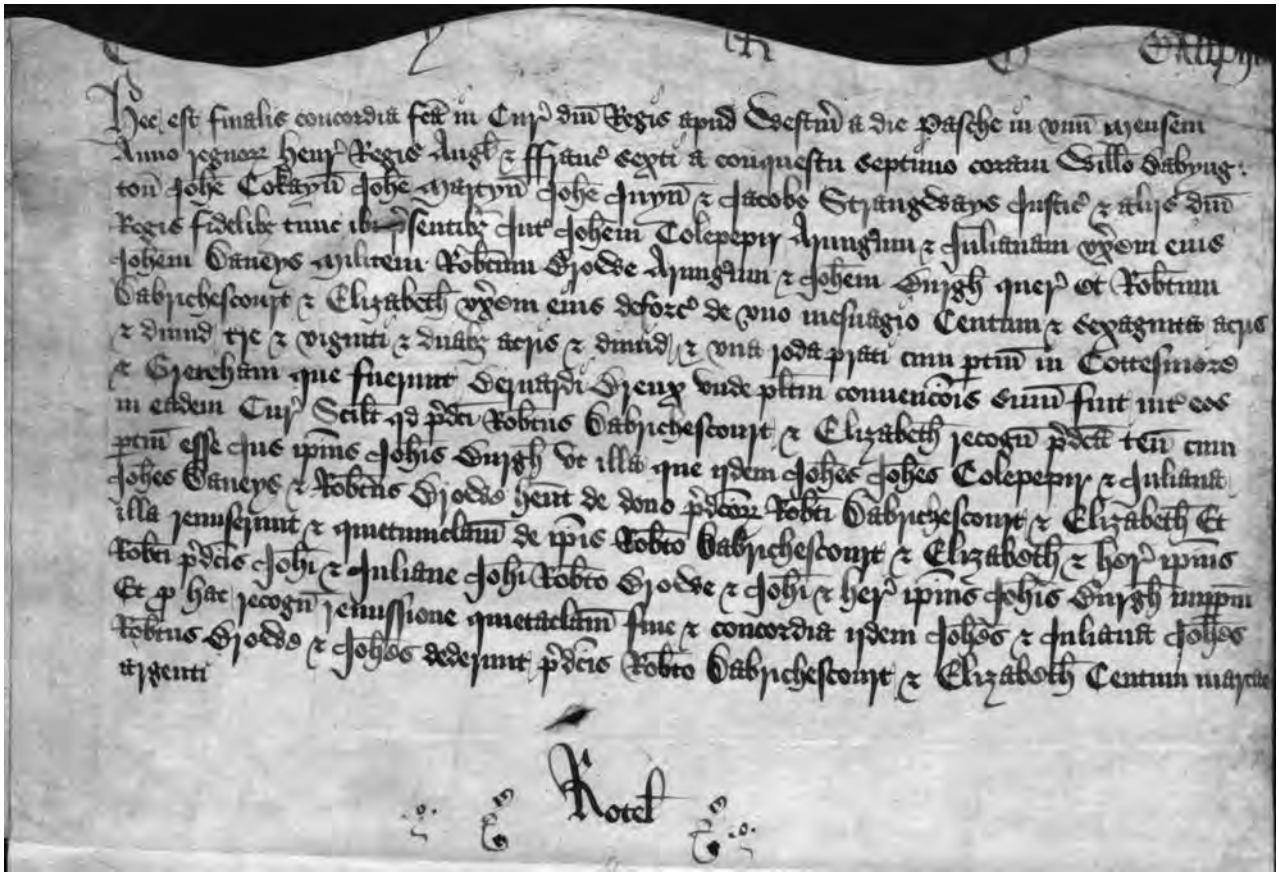

Fig. 8. Fine no 324, Westminster 1429, settlement of Brus land in Cottesmore (TNA CP25/192/9/4).

Roger Flore (*d* 1427) was one of the most famous sons of Rutland during the medieval period. He was the son and heir of William Flore (d *c*1405/6), a successful wool merchant who played an important role in the administration of the lordship of Oakham and served as sheriff, justice of the peace, and knight of the shire for Rutland. Roger, who was trained as a lawyer as well as continuing his father's wool trade business, was to represent the county in no fewer than twelve parliaments between 1397 and 1422. He also served as Speaker in three successive parliaments, those of 1416, 1417, and 1419, a record which was not to be repeated until the mid-seventeenth century, and again served as Speaker in 1422 (Rawcliffe & Clarke 1993, iii, 91–4; see also Bonney 2004, esp 146-8). He appears in five fines by which he acquired three messuages and half a virgate of land in Oakham in 1398, another messuage in Oakham in 1406, a toft and two virgates of land in Barleythorpe in 1409, and finally the manors of Whitwell and Hambleton Parva from the Burtons, to himself and his second wife Cecily, in 1412 (**305**, **310**, **315**, **317**). The latter manors were granted to Roger and Cecily and their male issue, with remainders to the issue of Roger and his right heirs. The last fine is one of 1409 by which two-thirds of the manor of Whissendine was quitclaimed by John Neubald and his wife Margaret to Roger, Sir John Berkeley, John Shordych, John Purley, and John Clarke of Whissendine (**313**). Although the quitclaim was made to Roger and his heirs, he was probably acting as a feoffee for his

colleague John Clarke. This manor is likely to have been the moiety of the manor of Moorhall in Whissendine which, at the same time as the quitclaim, was granted by Robert Gryme of Langtoft and his wife Isabel, in her right, to Sir John Berkeley and his heirs (**316**). It is identified as the manor which was later held by the Villiers family and Margaret, 'daughter and heir' of Francis Clarke of Whissendine, married Bartholomew Villiers, second son of William Villiers of Brooksby (*VCH* ii, 160). Flore's purchase of the two manors of Whitwell and Hambleton Parva is evidence of his prosperity as not only was he in a position to acquire them but furthermore they were intended for younger sons, if he had them, by his second wife. In fact, he seems not to have had any sons by Cecily, or if he did the line quickly died out. The manors were held at his death in 1523 by Flore's great-grandson Richard, son of Roger, son of Thomas, son of Roger by his first wife Katherine Dalby.

Roger's son Thomas Flore and his father-in-law William Dalby also appear as parties to fines. Dalby acquired in 1395 two messuages and a virgate of land in Langham and in 1397, with his wife Agnes, a messuage, 51 acres of land, four acres of meadow, and 1½*d* rent in Oakham from John Wittlebury the younger and his wife (**299**, **300**), the latter at least to be used by Dalby to provide land for a hospital in Oakham and to support its foundation. William Dalby died in 1405 but it was not until after his widow's death that, in 1421, the property was conveyed to the charity, in which his close associate Roger Flore was then intimately involved. It is notable that John Skinner, chaplain, was jointly named with Dalby in both fines, although it is not clear if he was to be one of the two chaplains of the new foundation. Refounded in 1597 by Archdeacon Robert Johnson as the Hospital of St John & St Anne in Oakham, the charity survives to this day (Parkin 2000). Apart from that of 1438 mentioned above (**332**), Thomas Flore appears in two fines. In 1455 Thomas and his wife Agnes granted two messuages in Oakham to William Lewes and in 1462 he was a feoffee for Richard Sapcote in Richard's acquisition of a moiety of the manor of Gunthorpe (**336**, **340**).

In some cases the circumstances in which fines were made require deduction and detective work. A group of six fines are all dated 25 June 1329 and appear to relate to the disposal of the same inheritance (**216**–**221**); they are strongly associated with another consecutive group of five fines, two from 1326 and three from 1328 (**209**–**213**). Three others are also connected with them (**223**, **226**, **231**). By these fourteen fines Robert de Luffwick and his wife Alice, John de Greetham and his wife Margery, and Robert son of John de Exton and his wife Matilda alienated lands which were held in the right of Alice, Margery, and Matilda in Manton, Glaston, Ridlington, Exton, Empingham, Langham, Normanton, and Oakham. The Extons and Greethams appear on two fines as joint sellers (**217**, **221**) while two other fines are of nearly identical holdings by which the Extons granted theirs to Roger Putot and William Kirkman and the heirs of Putot and the Greethams theirs to Putot and Kirkman and the heirs of Kirkman (**216**, **218**). One of the Extons' fines is endorsed with the claim of the Greethams (**223**). The holdings are frequently described as portions of larger ones, for example two parts of a third part of messuage, a virgate of land, and 1½ acres of meadow in Langham granted by the Extons and Greethams jointly to Walter Poul (**217**). The connection between these lands is reinforced by the fact that the Extons and Greethams, and probably the Luffwicks, each held one eighteenth part, a third part of a sixth part, of a messuage and mill in Manton (**212**, **220**, **223**). Alured de Broke and Roger Putot of Manton bought from all three heiresses while Roger Putot and his wife Elizabeth held five acres of land in Manton for life of Margery Greetham's inheritance (**220**). Another portion of five acres of land, half of one acre and a third of a rood of meadow, and an eighteenth part of the mill in Manton was held for life by Isabel de Buckland of Matilda de Exton's inheritance (**223**). Isabel de Buckland had also been granted three messuages, a mill, 2¾ acres of land, a half-acre of meadow, and 3*s* rent in Normanton for life by Robert de Luffwick (**219**). It is difficult to disentangle the portions as it is not always entirely clear whether the proportion 'a third part' applies only to the immediately following holding or to more. For instance, while it is certain that the Greethams and Extons each had a third of a sixth of a messuage and mill in Manton, it is not entirely clear whether the Luffwicks similarly had a third of a sixth or a whole sixth although the former seems more likely. Moreover, there is no certainty that the fines represent the alienation of the entire estate of the heiresses. Nevertheless, it seems certain that Alice, Margery, and Matilda were coheirs to an extensive estate. The connection between Robert and Alice de Luffwick and John de Luffwick and his wife Joan who acquired a moiety of a messuage and a virgate of land in Ridlington from the Extons and Greethams, and an eighteenth part of the messuage and mill in Manton and the reversion of five acres of land there from the Greethams, is unclear (**220**, **221**).

In 1296–7 Isabel de Buckland paid a fine of 4*s* to the hundred court of Martinsley in which hundred lay Manton (Midgley 1945, 167). She links the inheritance with Thomas de Buckland who had held and acquired an extensive estate in Manton and elsewhere in the late thirteenth century. He acquired in 1281 a messuage and a bovate of land in Oakham from William Gynes and his wife Christine, in 1286 eight

messuages, eight virgates of land, and 18*s* of rent in Manton from Aymer de Parco to hold at a rent of 100*s* (£5) a year, and in 1296 a messuage and a bovate of land in Manton from Reginald Toky and his wife Alice (**117**, **125**, **142**). In 1297–8 Thomas held a messuage, 9 tofts, and 9 virgates of land of the earl of Warwick, the 'chief lord' of the fee, for a rent of £2 (*CIPM* iii, 477 (p377)). He appears in 'The Oakham Survey' as a free tenant of the manor of Langham holding a messuage and virgate of land at a rent of 3*s* a year and a cottage for life for which he paid 16*d* a year (Chinnery 1998, ll.403, 406). He was also the first-named of the jurors for the inquisition into knight's fees made on 7 August 1305 (ibid, l.553). The descent of Buckland's holding is obscure but there are some clues.

William Luffwick 'of Manton' died in 1373 holding in Manton two-thirds of a messuage, two cottages, five virgates of land, and two-thirds of a windmill, of the earl of Warwick as well as a toft and two virgates of land in Ridlington of Warwick, and two-thirds of a messuage and virgate of land in Langham of Humphrey de Bohun, earl of Hereford and Northampton (who was then holding the lordship of Oakham), and a messuage and 1½ bovates of land in Normanton of Sir John Basings. After a writ *precipimus* issued in June 1375, his heir was found to be his daughter Elizabeth, then aged three, but he had granted all his lands to feoffees before his death (*CIPM* xiv, 170). In 1401 John Lynford died holding a manor in Manton called 'Luffewyk maner' of the earl of Warwick, and four marks rent in Ridlington, Glaston, Langham, and Normanton (held of Warwick's manor of Morcott) (*CIPM* xviii, 550-1). These he held in the right of his wife Katherine and another part of Katherine's inheritance was two messuages and a virgate of land in Langham which in 1395 the Lynfords granted to William Dalby (**299**). 'Luffwicks' can presumably be identified with either John and Joan de Luffwick or Robert and Alice de Luffwick or possibly both if they were related.

Part of the Buckland holding, however, probably passed to William Wade who used it to endow his chantry in Manton as in 1353 he had licence to grant to it a messuage, a virgate of land, and a sixth part of a messuage and mill which were parcel of the holding formerly of Aymer de Parco and were held of the earl of Warwick (*VCH* ii, 80). It is possible that Parco's sixth of the mill was a different sixth to that shared by the Greethams, Extons, and Luffwicks in the 1320s but the connection between their inheritance and Isabel de Buckland, and Thomas de Buckland's purchase from Parco in 1286, suggests very strongly that it was the same. The fines may therefore be employed to suggest that a substantial holding in several vills which was held, and at least partly acquired, by Thomas de Buckland in the late thirteenth century had passed by the 1320s to three coheirs: Margery wife of John de Greetham, Matilda wife of Robert de Exton, and Alice wife of Robert de Luffwick. Parts of it were alienated by them to a number of different people. Alured de Broke acquired much of it, including two parts of the sixth of a mill in Manton, but these parts were later reunited with the other third acquired by John and Joan de Luffwick, and used by William Wade to endow his chantry.

An additional complication is provided by Alured de Broke. Among the lands he acquired from what might now be called the Buckland coheirs was a messuage, 90 acres of land, and 10 acres of meadow in Manton in 1326 from Robert and Alice de Luffwick. In 1320, Broke had also acquired from John Reynevile of Manton and his wife Alice an exactly similar holding of a messuage, 90 acres of land, and 10 acres of meadow in Manton which the Reyneviles held in Alice's right (**187**). The association of Alice's name and the similarity of the holdings may be no more than coincidence but, if it was not for the fact that both fines were grants, rather than the first a grant and the second a quitclaim, this might suggest that Alice de Luffwick had been married previously to John Reynevile.

The fines were, then, used in a variety of circumstances. The Rutland sample includes one of a rather unusual nature, the settlement of the Whissendine rent by Mary de Valence on her new college foundation, but most of the others fall into several groups. The first was the entail by which alienation of the property concerned was prohibited and its descent was defined, either to reinforce the traditional feudal rules by tail general or to restrict it to successors in the male line by tail male. A second was to alter the feudal rules of descent and this might be for the benefit of a younger son or, equally frequently, for the benefit of someone who had no connection by blood, either a second husband's family or, in the case of Essendine, a rapacious royal favourite. A third was simple alienations and this seems to have been particularly the case when the property belonged to wives, as with the Holdwards and the 'Buckland heirs'. The fines mirror the fortunes of families, for instance the rise of the Flores and the rise and fall of the Yarmouths.

The feet of fines are a most important source, of almost incalculable value, for the study of numerous aspects of medieval history. This introduction has attempted to suggest a few of the ways in which they may be used by scholars today, as well as to illustrate the uses to which they were put by contemporaries.

Glossary

advowson	the right of a patron to present a nominee to a vacant benefice
alienation	the sale of land or other parting with it
appurtenance	a right or property belonging to another property, 'pertaining' to it
attainder	forfeiture of lands and rights following conviction for treason or felony, perhaps with a sentence of outlawry or death
bailiwick	area of responsibility, for instance, of a forest
Bench	King's Bench or Common Bench, the two principal royal law courts of medieval England
bondman	villein, unfree tenant, one who owed at least part of his rent actually or nominally in labour rather than cash, and lived within the restrictions or penalties of unfree status
bovate	an area of land, usually an eighth of a carucate (*q.v.*), but of varying size depending on the varying size of acres and of number of acres to the carucate
caput	lit. 'head', i.e. the chief centre or headquarters of a landed estate
cartulary	a book of copies of charters
carucate	an area of land of varying size depending on the varying size of acres and of number of acres to the carucate
chirographum	a piece of handwriting (with various subsidiary legal meanings) (*see* p5)
corrody	maintenance of a person defined in terms of quantity and type of food to be received daily, clothing and sometimes fuel annually, and housing; usually granted by a religious house to an individual or couple for their life or lives in exchange for land given to the house, sometimes commuted into a cash payment (*see* **116**)
cottar	a smallholder, tenant of a few acres only, usually unfree
darrein presentment	lit. 'last presentment', the name of the writ brought to claim in a court of law the right to an advowson (*qv*) on the grounds of descent or being the heir of the person who last presented
defendant	the person defending a case, i.e. the one against whom it was brought (*see* p9)
deforciens	deforciant, a type of defendant in a final concord (*see* p9)
dorse	the back of a document
dower	the right of a widow to part (usually a third) of the lands held by her late husband during his lifetime
dsp	*decessit sine prole* (died without issue)
dvp	*decessit vita patris* (died in father's lifetime)
endorse	to write on the back of a document
entail	conditional succession to land which had the effect of ensuring that the land could not be alienated as the possessor had no right of alienation, his or her successor having the right to succeed; entail in tail general was limited to both male and female succession, entail in tail male was limited only to male heirs, i.e. inheritance through a purely male line
escheator	the king's local official in charge of overseeing and implementing the king's rights in the lands held 'in chief', i.e. directly of the king and, by extension, of all other lands held by that tenant. His main duties were to hold the inquisitions *post mortem* and of 'proof of age' to release an estate from wardship.
eyre	royal justices 'on eyre' travelling around the country hearing cases at local centres (*see esp* pp6-7)
fealty	lit. 'fidelity', the act of giving faith to one's immediate landlord upon succeeding to land, usually associated with homage
feoffee	trustee, one to whom land was granted to hold on behalf of another, sometimes only briefly before regranting to the grantor ('feoffor'), sometimes for a longer period until certain conditions had been met
feudal tenure	holding land by knight service, i.e. as one, or a portion of, or many knight's fees, each whole fee owing £5 'relief' or succession due when an heir succeeded his predecessor; originally also owing 40 days military service when called upon (later sometimes converted into a money payment called scutage or ' shield money')
free tenant	one who held his land by a cash rent or other form of 'honourable' service such as knight service, or sergeanty, but not as labour-rent as did the unfree tenants; consequently free of the concomitant personal unfreedom of villeins
grantee	the person to whom something has been granted
habendum	lit. 'to be held', the clause specifying from whom the land would be held after the new possessor entered into possession
hide	an area of land, originally fiscal (i.e. to do with taxation) in nature, of varying size and value
hundred	a local division of a shire, subject to the hundred court
indenture	an agreement which was written twice or three times on the same sheet of parchment, the whole then being divided by being cut along an indented or wavy line and each party to the agreement keeping one portion

inquisition *post mortem*	the enquiry carried out by the escheator (*q.v.*) on the death of a tenant-in-chief to establish the king's rights; the escheator summoned a jury of local worthies who would answer questions on the lands held by the deceased within the county, the value of the lands, of whom he held them, and the heir and the heir's age (the king having the right to the custody of all the lands held by a tenant-in-chief when the heir was a minor)
jointure	land held jointly by husband and wife, a new development of the latter part of the thirteenth century, to supplement the traditional dower third; it became an almost invariable element of marriage contracts from the early fourteenth century but might also be carried out in other circumstances
justiciar	a chief royal legal official, used in various circumstances
knight's fee	see above *sub* feudal tenure; a knight's fee varied in size and value
law terms	periods of the year when the courts were sitting (*see* pp7-8)
librate	a pound's-worth of land, e.g. twenty librates of land were worth £20 a year
magnate	a powerful man, usually because of great landed wealth and/or birth; generally used in relation to national politics and events but might be used in a smaller context such as 'regional magnates'
manor	notoriously difficult to define as evidently a flexible concept in the middle ages; a unit of an estate which might consist only of land cultivated directly for the benefit of the lord ('demesne') or only of rent-paying tenancies, but usually a combination of the two; by the mid-sixteenth century the defining feature of a manor was a manorial court which the tenants were obliged to attend
messuage	plot of land which included a dwelling and probably other buildings, such as agricultural buildings in a rural context, and possibly a garden and suchlike
moiety	half
mort d'ancestor	lit. 'death of an ancestor', the name of the writ brought in a court of law to claim land on the grounds of descent from a previous holder
octave	eight days after the stated day, i.e. a week later
oxgang	English equivalent of bovate
petens	a type of plaintiff in a final concord (*see* p9)
plaintiff	the person bringing a legal case against another (*see* p9)
plea	the grounds on which a legal case was brought
plea of duel	a plea where the plaintiff offered to prove his case in combat
plea roll	the record of pleas, made on a roll of parchment
prebend	a type of ecclesiastical property providing an income, often associated with the canons of a cathedral
precept	in the context of the final concords, i.e. 'by precept of the king', the permission given by the king for property held in chief, i.e. directly of him, to be transferred to another possessor.
profess, to	in the context of the text of the Introduction, i.e. a 'professed' nun, to have taken vows as a nun
querens	a type of plaintiff in a final concord (*see* p9)
quindene	fifteen days after the stated day, i.e. a fortnight later
quitclaim, to	to renounce all claim, usually for oneself and one's heirs, to a piece of property
regnal year	the year of the king's reign; each king's regnal year began on the day he succeeded his predecessor
remainder	the right to the reversion (*q.v.*) of a property, after the life of another, or, in an entail (*q.v.*), if the issue or male issue of another failed
remise	remit
reversion	the succession, usually to land, in an entail (*q.v.*) if the issue or male issue of another failed
rood	a quarter of an acre
sore	reddish-brown (colour of a young sparrowhawk)
suit of court	the obligation to attend a certain court, usually the obligation of a tenant to attend his landlord's court
tenens	a type of defendant in a final concord (*see* p9)
toft	a small plot of land, usually enclosed (i.e. not subject to common rights of others), which may include a building
unmewed	immature and untrained (of a sparrowhawk in its first year)
vill	a settlement, hamlet or village
villein tenure	*see* bondmen
virgate	an area of land, usually a quarter of a carucate (*q.v.*), but of varying size depending on the varying size of acres and of number of acres to the carucate
warranty	guarantee (derived from the general medieval flexibility of use between 'gu' and 'w')
yardland	English translation of virgate (*q.v.*)
year book	contemporary records of a selection of legal cases to illustrate legal points (*see* p8)

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CFR	*Calendar of Fine Rolls.*
CIPM	*Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem.*
CPR	*Calendar of Patent Rolls.*
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Feet of Fines for Rutland

Richard I (1189-99)

1. Westminster. Thursday after St. Petronilla, anno 8 [5 Jun. 1197]. Justices Richard [FitzNeal], bishop of London, Herbert [Poore], bishop of Salisbury, Walter Herford, archdeacon, Stephen de [Turningham], Master John de Hullebury, Richard de Heriet, Simon de Pateshill, Osbert son of Hering.

Between Robert Mauduit, chamberlain of the king, *pet*., and Walter de Chauz, *ten*.; of seventy-one solidates of land, with the appurtenances, in Norluffenham; that Walter recognized the land to be the right of Robert, and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs. Consideration eleven marks. [CP25/1/192/1/1]

2. Northampton. Sunday before the Purification, anno 10 [31 Jan. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, Michael Belet.

Between Ralph de Morecote and Alice his wife, *pet*., and Osbert son of Michael and Hugh and Henry his brothers, *ten*.; of two parts of one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Northlufenham (mort d'ancestor); that Ralph and Alice remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to Osbert, Hugh, and Henry and their heirs. Consideration one mark. [CP25/1/192/1/2]

3. Northampton. The feast of St. Bridget, anno 10 [1 Feb. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, and Michael Belet.

Between Thurstan son of Soki, *pet*., and William de Lufham and Estrilda his wife and Robert de Lufham and Emma his wife, *ten*.; of one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Lufham (mort d'ancestor); that Thurstan remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to William and Estrilda and Robert and Emma. Consideration ten shillings. [CP25/1/192/1/3]

4. Northampton. The eve of the Purification, anno 10 [1 Feb. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, and Michael Belet.

Between William Grimbald, *pet*., and Henry son of Richard de Tikencote, *ten*.; of six bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Tikencote (mort d'ancestor); that William granted to Henry all the said land; to hold to Henry and his heirs, of William and his heirs, by the service of a fifth part of one knight's fee for all services. Consideration three marks. [CP25/1/192/1/4]

5. Northampton. The feast of St. Bridget, anno 10 [1 Feb. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, and Michael Belet.

Between Richard son of Matthew, *pet*., and Hugh son of [B]uret and Aveline his wife, and Robert his son, *ten*.; of half a bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Upingham (mort d'ancestor); that Hugh and Aveline and Robert recognized the land to be the right and inheritance of Richard. Consideration twelve pence. [CP25/1/192/1/5]

6. Northampton. The feast of St. Bridget, anno 10 [1 Feb. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, and Michael Belet.

Between Henry son of Geoffrey, *pet*., and John the clerk, *ten*.; of four and a half bovates of land and half a mill, with the appurtenances, in Scultorp (mort d'ancestor); that Henry remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/1/6]

7. Northampton. The Purification, anno 10 [2 Feb. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, and Michael Belet.

Between Robert Holeger, *pet*., and Richard son of [Wibne] and Richard son of Alfoing and Henry his brother and Gunnilda widow, and Richard son of Simon and Jocelin, *ten*.; of eighteen acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Ketene (mort d'ancestor); that Robert remitted and quitclaimed to Richard, Richard, Henry, Gunnilda, Richard, and Jocelin, and their heirs. Consideration twenty shillings. [CP25/1/192/1/7]

8. Northampton. Morrow of the Purification, anno 10 [3 Feb. 1199]. Justices R[ichard Barre], archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, and Michael Belet.

Between Everard son of Pagan, *pet*., and Jordan de Luffeham and William de Schesdigtorp, and Hugh son of [Edward?], *ten*.; of one toft, with the appurtenances, in Magno Luffenham (mort d'ancestor); that Everard remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Jordan, William, Hugh, and their heirs. Consideration twelve pence. [CP25/1/192/1/8]

John (1199-1216)

[N.B. The fines in this file appear to have been bound in a back-to-front order.]

9. Leicester. St. Matthew, anno 1 [21 Sept. 1199]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, earl of Essex, Richard [Barre] archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervi.

Between Matilda Lufet, *pet.*, and Robert Lufet, *ten.*, for reasonable dower of the free tenement of Philip formerly her husband in Bernardishill; that Robert recognized the third part of the said holding, *viz.* ten virgates of land, with the appurtenances, to be the free dower of Matilda. Consideration two shillings. [CP25/1/192/2/2]

10. Northampton. Wednesday before St. Dionisius, anno 1 [6 Oct. 1199]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, earl of Essex, Richard [Barre] archdeacon of Ely, Osbert son of Hervei, Henry de Furnaus, and Robert de Braibroc.

Between Philip de Paunton, *pet.*, and William de Baivill and Hawise his wife (by William), and Thomas de Binington and Gunnora his wife (by Thomas), *ten.*; of three bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Martintorp (mort d'ancestor); that Philip remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to William and Hawise and their heirs and to Thomas and Gunnora and their heirs. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/2/1]

11. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 2 [18 Jun. 1200]. Justices [. . .] Richard de Har', Simon de Pat'hill, Osbert son of Hervi, John de Gestling, Henry de Withinton, Eustace de Fauconberg.

Between Gouda daughter of William, *pet.*, and Roger le [Cormor] and Christine his wife (by Roger), *ten.*; of half a virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Empingham which Gouda claims as her reasonable purparty of the holding which was of William Servientis, her father; that Roger and Christine recognized the land to be the right of Gouda, and for this Gouda granted the land to Roger and Christine and the heirs of Christine; to hold of her and her heirs by the service of two shillings annually for all services except foreign service, *viz.* at Michaelmas twelve pence and at Easter twelve pence. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/2/4]

12. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 2 [13 Oct. 1200]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, Richard de Heriet, Simon de Pat'hill, John de Gestling, Henry de Wichinton, Eustace de Fauconberg, Godfrey de Insula, Walter de Creping.

Between the brothers of the Hospital of Jerusalem, *pet.*, and William de Clopton, *ten.*; of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Uppingeham, which the brothers had by charter of William; that the brothers remitted and quitclaimed to William and his heirs, for themselves and their successors; and for this, William granted to the brothers and their successors, in pure and perpetual alms, one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, *viz.* a half-virgate which Ralph Carpentar' holds, and a half-bovate with a messuage which Simon son of Lefwin holds and seven acres of land of his own demesne *viz.* one acre next to the cross outside the vill of Upingham, and one acre at Floddre, and one acre at Wlgarebg', and one acre at Lordesset, and one acre at [P]lade, and one acre outside William's garden, and a half acre at Jacwell, and a half-acre at Alwoldestie; with warranty by William and his heirs to the brothers and their successors for all secular services. [CP25/1/192/2/3]

13. Westminster. Two weeks from St Martin, anno 3 [25 Nov. 1201]. Justices [. . .], [Simon] de Pateshill, John de Gestling, Godfrey de Insula, Walter de Creping.

Between [Richard son of] Gouda (by Henry Portar'), *pet.*, and Reginald son of Ralph and Reginald [Clerc] and Sarah his wife . . . of one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Tikesovere; that Reginald, Reginald, and Sarah recognized the land to be the right and inheritance of Richard, and for this Richard granted to Reginald . . . with a half-acre of meadow, *viz.* a half-acre at Hawe to the west, one rood beyond the path to the church of Tikessoure, . . . at Leffildespol, a half-acre which abuts on Lefsiesholme, one rood next to the path to the mill, one rood below Caleweho, a half-acre at G[renegate]havedland, one rood at Grenegatebalke, and one rood at Holfurbalke to the east, and a half-acre of meadow in Westmede to the west; . . . to hold of Richard and his heirs, for the service of two pounds of pepper annually at Easter for all services except foreign service; and Richard granted to Reginald, Reginald, and Sarah one toft of the said land which Reginald son of Ralph holds, to hold for the life of Sarah of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, and after Sarah's death the toft will revert to Richard and his heirs, quit of Reginald Clerc and Sarah and their heirs. [CP25/1/192/2/5]

14. Northampton. Wednesday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [25 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pat'hill, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norht', Alexander de Poivton.

Between John de Fraxineto, *pet.*, and William de Fraxineto, *ten.*; of forty acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Kilpesham; that William recognized the land to the right of John and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration eight marks. [CP25/1/192/2/9]

15. Northampton. Wednesday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [25 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pat'hill, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norht', Alexander de Pointon.

Between Robert son of Stephen, *pet.*, and Reginald de Branteston, *ten.*; of three virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Branteston (mort d'ancester); that Robert remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Reginald and his heirs. Consideration three marks. [CP25/1/192/2/10]

16. Northampton. Wednesday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [25 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pat'hill, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norht', Alexander de Pointon.
Between Robert Pincerna, *pet*., and William son of Achard, *ten*.; of seven virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Wineton (grand assise); that Robert recognized the land to be the right of William, and for this William granted to Robert two of the seven virgates, *viz*. one which Roger son of Stanard holds and one which Geoffrey son of Haldein holds; to hold to him and his heirs, of William and his heirs, for the service of an eighth part of a knight's fee for all services. [CP25/1/192/2/11]

17. Northampton. Thursday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [26 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pat'hill, Eustace de Fauconberg, Richard Malebesse, Henry de Norht', Alexander de [Poivton].
Between William Baucan, *pet*., and Roger Capell the younger, *ten*.; of half a virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Seiton (mort d'ancestor); that William remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Roger and Ernisio his son and their heirs. Consideration two marks and one cow. [CP25/1/192/2/6]

18. Northampton. Thursday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [26 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pateshull, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de North', Alexander de Pui'ton.
Between Richard son of Geoffrey, *pet*., and Robert Fabru', *ten*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Hocham (mort d'ancester); that Richard remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Geoffrey and his heirs. Consideration eighteen shillings. [CP25/1/192/2/7]

19. Northampton. Thursday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [26 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pateshill, Eustace de Fauconberg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norhamt', Alexander de Pointon.
Between Matilda daughter of Ascerus, *pet*., and Robert son of Brithinc, *ten*.; of half a bovate and one and a half acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Morcot (mort d'ancester); that Robert recognized the land to be the right of Matilda, and for this Matilda granted to Robert half a toft and one acre of land of the said half-bovate, *viz*. a half-acre beyond the road to Gladstan' and a half-acre at Flaxlandes; to have and to hold to him and his heirs, of Matilda and her heirs, by the free service of one penny annually at Christmas for all services except foreign service. [CP25/1/192/2/8]

20. Northampton. Thursday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [26 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pateshill, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Richard Malebisse, Alexander de Pointon, Henry de Noramt'.
Between Reginald son of Moisen, *pet*., and Walter de Barra, *ten*.; of two virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmore (mort d'ancester); that Reginald remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Walter and his heirs. Consideration twenty shillings. [CP25/1/192/2/12]

21. Northampton. Thursday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [26 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pateshill, Eustace de Fauconberg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norhamt', Alexander de Pointon.
Between Nicholas de Luffenham and Alice his wife, *pet*., and Robert son of Hugh, *ten*.; of half a bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Luffenham (mort d'ancestor); that Nicholas and Alice remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to Robert and his heirs. Consideration four shillings. [CP25/1/192/2/14]

22. Northampton. Friday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [27 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pateshull, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norh', Alexander de Puinton.
Between Thurstan son of Langfer, *pet*., and Simon son of Walter, *ten*.; of one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Tikesofre (mort d'ancestor); that Thurstan remittted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Simon and his heirs. Consideration six shillings. [CP25/1/192/2/13]

23. Northampton. Friday after St. Matthew, anno 4 [27 Sept. 1202]. Justices Simon de Pateshull, Eustace de Fauciberg, Richard Malebisse, Henry de Norht', Alexander de Pointon.
Between Richard son of William, *pet*., and Henry son of Aslac and Aline his wife, *ten*.; of three acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Belmestorp (grand assise); that Aline recognized the land to be the right of Richard, and for this Richard granted it to Henry and Aline and the heirs of Aline; to hold of Richard and his heirs, for the free service of eight pence annually at Christmas for all services except foreign service. Consideration forty pence. [CP25/1/192/2/15]

24. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 6 [13 Oct. 1204]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, Richard de Her', Eustace de Fauconberg, John de Gestling, Guy son of Henry, Walter de Creping.
Between Henry Janitore and Juliana his wife (by Henry), *pet*., and Reginald son of Ralph, *ten*.; of a moiety of a messuage, with the appurtenances, in Tikesore; that Henry and Juliana remitted and quitclaimed to Reginald and his heirs, for themselves and their heirs; and for this, Reginald granted to Henry and Juliana, and the heirs of Juliana, five parcels of land in Tikesore, *viz*. two acres in [Aswelage] to the west, two acres which abut on Morewellemor to the north, and a parcel to west of the church; to hold to Henry and Juliana, and the heirs of Juliana, of the chief lords of the fee for the customary services. [CP25/1/192/2/16]

25. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 6 [20 Jan. 1205]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, John de Gestling, Osbert son of Hvei, Walter de Creping.
Between Isabel daughter of Geoffrey, *pet*., and Herbert Pinere, *ten*.; of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Dristoke; that Herbert recognized the land to be the right of Isabel, and for this Isabel granted to him a third part of the

land *viz*. that to the north; to hold to Herbert and his heirs, of her and her heirs, for the free service of 2*s*. 8*d*. annually for all services *viz*. at Easter sixteen pence and at Michaelmas sixteen pence. [CP25/1/192/2/17]

26. Westminster. Morrow of St. John, anno 9 [25 Jun. 1207]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, Simon de Pat'hull, Eustace de Fauc'berg, Henry archdeacon of Stafford, James de Poc'ne, John de Gestling, Walter de Cresping.

Between Earl David [of Huntingdon], *quer*., and Henry de Armentiers, *deforc*.; of all the wood of Burlega which is outside Henry's park of Burlega (grand assise); that all the wood which is towards the park as extended from the green ditch next to Alnethestouwe to the north, descending above that wood and further by a straight line to the stream which descends to the park and then by a straight line as far as Ceddemade and then a straight line as far as the ancient boundary between the earl and Henry, will remain to Henry and his heirs quit of the earl and his heirs, so that neither the earl nor his heirs nor any of his homage of Exton nor of Bernardeshull can claim in the said part; and the other part of the wood, *viz*. towards Bernardeshull remains to the earl and his heirs quit of Henry and his heirs, so that neither Henry nor his heirs nor any of his homage of Burlega can claim in the earl's part; common in the other land of Exton and of Bernardeshull and of Burglega remains as it was and ought to be. [CP25/1/192/2/18]

27. Westminster. Morrow of St. John, anno 9 [25 Jun 1207]. Justices G[eoffrey] son of Peter, Simon de Pateshull, Eustace de Faucunberg, Henry archdeacon of Stafford, James de Pot'tie, John de Gestling, Walter de Cresping.

Between Hawise de Sancto Germano (by Godfrey son of Richard) *pet*., and Roger de Colevill, *ten*.; of a third part of twelve virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Berc which Hawise claimed as reasonable dower of the free tenement which was of Hugh de Berc, formerly her husband, in the same vill; that Hawise remitted and quitclaimed to Roger and his heirs all that she had in the third part in the name of dower. Consideration four marks. [CP25/1/192/2/19]

28. *Thedosbur'*. Three weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 11 [15 Jul. 1209]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pateshull, Eustace de Faukenberg, James de Pot'na, Henry de Ponte Audemer, Richard de [. . .gnes], and Walter de Creppinges.

Between William prior of Sancto Neoto (by Edmund Mariscabu'), *quer*., and Ralph abbot of Thorny and Thurstan de Mundford (by Thomas de Huntendun for the abbot and by Henry de Impingeham for Thurstan), *deforc*.; of the advowson of the church of Wenge, with the appurtenances, (darrein presentment); that the abbot and Thurstan recognized the advowson to be the right of the prior and his convent, to have and to hold a moiety of the advowson of Thurstan and his heirs in pure and perpetual alms, and the other moiety in free alms quit of the abbot and his successors; and for this, the prior granted, for himself and his successors, to the abbot and his convent a moiety of the mill of Wenge, with all the appurtenances and liberties, and further twenty pence of rent in Huntendun from the land which William Wire holds in that vill; to have and to hold to the abbot and his successors and convent in free pure and perpetual alms. The prior gave to Thurstan fifteen marks of which the abbot acquitted him of five marks. [CP25/1/192/2/20]

29. Northampton. Five weeks from Michaelmas, anno 12 [3 Nov. 1210]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pat'hull, James de Pot'na, Henry de Ponte Audemar, Robert de Aumar', Roger Huscarl.

Between Ralph abbot of Westminster (by Odo Aurifabr'), *pet*., and Simon de Den' (by Ivo son of Simon), *deforc*.; of the advowson of the church of Huppingeham (darrein presentment); that Simon recognized the advowson to be the right of the abbot and convent and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to the abbot and his successors. The abbot received Simon and his heirs into the benefactions and masses of the church of Westminster. [CP25/1/192/2/21; fig. 1]

30. *Cestr'*. Tuesday after Ascension, anno 13 [17 May 1211]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pat'hull, James de Pot'na, Henry de Ponte Adomer, Robert de Aumary, Roger Huscarl.

Between Robert Mauduit, *pet*., and Robert son of Godwin and Emma his wife, *ten*.; of half a bovate of land and half a toft, with the appurtenances, in Nortluffenham; that Robert and Emma recognized the land to be the right of Robert and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to him and his heirs. Consideration half a mark. [CP25/1/192/2/22]

31. *Cestr'*. Tuesday after Ascension, anno 13 [17 May 1211]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pat'hull, James de Pot'na, Henry de Ponte Aldemerl, Robert de Aumar', Roger Huscarl.

Between Robert Mauduit, *pet*., and John son of Alwy, *ten*.; of half a bovate and an eighth of a bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in North Luffenham; that John recognized the land to be the right of Robert, and for this Robert granted it to John; to hold for his life, of Robert and his heirs, for the service of two shillings annually at four terms, *viz*. sixpence at each of Christmas, Easter, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and Michaelmas, for all services; and after John's death the land will revert to Robert and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/2/23]

32. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 14 [3 Jun. 1212]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pateshull, James de Pot'na, Henry de Ponte Aldemer', Roger Huscarl.

Between Felicia who was the wife of William de Clotton (by Robert de Slotton), *pet*., and Seled de Huppingeham, *ten*.; of a third part of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Huppingeham, which she claimed as reasonable dower of the gift of William formerly her husband; that Seled granted to God and the church of St. Mary of Pipewell and the monks there three acres of the said land *viz*. at Gerwaldesholm one acre and at Skridewell a half-acre near the vill, and at Witenehegh a half-acre, and at Wrogeland two parts of one acre, and a third part of one acre to the west of the mill; to have and to hold to the monks and their successors, of Seled and his heirs, in pure and perpetual alms, free of all suits,

services, and exactions; and for this, Felicia remitted and quitclaimed to Seled and his heirs all right and claim which she had in the remainder of the third part of that virgate in the name of dower; with warranty by Seled and his heirs to the monks and their successors. [CP25/1/192/2/25]

33. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 14 [27 Oct. 1212]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pat', James de Poivernia, Roger Huscarl.

Between Geoffrey son of Geoffrey and Matilda his wife (by Geoffrey), *pet*., and Robert Mauduit, *ten*., of a [fifth] part of a tenth part of one knight's fee, with the appurtenances, in Morcote, and a fifth part of one watermill, with the appurtenances, in Berwedon, and a fifth part of one mill, with the appurtenances, in Sutlufenham, which Geoffrey and Matilda claim against Robert as Matilda's reasonable purparty of the inheritance of Alice de Bidun, her mother, whom Isabel Mauduit called to warrant and Robert came to the court and warranted; that Geoffrey and Matilda recognized the said fifth parts to be the right of Robert; and for this Robert granted to Geoffrey and Matilda one bovate of land in Morcote which Richard son of Derwen holds, and a half-bovate of land which Hugh de Wragedich holds, and a quarter part of a half-bovate which Simon son of Ralph holds, and from the mill of Bergedon two shillings and sixpence; to have and to hold to Geoffrey and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, of Robert and his heirs; doing the service of a fifth part of a twentieth part of one knight's fee for all services and exactions. [CP25/1/192/2/24]

34. Westminster. One month from St. Martin, anno 14 [9 Dec. 1212]. Justices the lord king, Simon de Pat', James de Pot'nia, Roger Huscarl.

Between Miles de Bello Campo and Amabel his wife (by Miles), *pet*., and Robert Mauduit, *ten*., of a fifth part of a tenth part of a knight's fee, with the appurtenances, in Morecote, and a fifth part of a watermill, with the appurtenances, in Bergedon, and a fifth part of a mill, with the appurtenances, in Sutlufenham, which Miles and Amabel claim against Robert as Amabel's reasonable purparty of the inheritance of Alice de Bidun, her mother, whom Isabel Mauduit called to warrant and Robert came to the same court and warranted; Miles and Amabel recognized the said fifth parts to be the right of Robert; and for this Robert granted to Miles and Amabel one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Morcote which Robert son of Mawe holds, and a half-bovate of land which Hugh de Wroggedich holds, and a quarter part of half a bovate which Simon son of Ralph holds, and two shillings and sixpence from the mill of Bergedon; to have and to hold to Miles and Amabel, and the heirs of Amabel, of Robert and his heirs, doing the service of a fifth part of a twentieth part of one knight's fee for all services and exactions. [CP25/1/192/2/26]

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35. Northampton. Sunday after the feast of the Invention of Holy Cross, anno 3 [5 May 1219]. Justices itinerant H[ugh Foliot], abbot of Ramsey, W[illiam] de Cantilup', S[tephen] de Segrave, M[artin] de Pateshull, T[homas] de Heiden, Maurice de Andely

Between the abbot of Pipewell and Richard son of Reginald and Alice his wife (by Richard); of one virgate and a half of land and one messuage and the service of half a virgate of land *viz*. one penny, with the appurtenances, in Wpingham (warranty of charter); that Richard and Alice recognized all the said land and messuage and service to be the right of the abbot as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to the abbot and his successor abbots of the church of St. Mary of Pipewell, of the chief lord of the fee, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to the abbot and his successors. Consideration twenty marks. Seled, who holds the said half-virgate, was present in court and acknowledged that he owed the rent for all services except foreign service. [CP25/1/192/3/1]

36. Ketton (Rutl.). Thurs after Trinity, anno 3 [6 Jun. 1219]. Justices H[ugh Foliot], abbot of Ramsey, W[illiam] de Cantelup, S[tephen] de Segrave, M[artin] de Pat', Thomas de [Heiden], Maurice de Andely.

Between Robert son of Ralph, *pet*., and Geoffrey de Armeenters, *ten*.; of two virgates and five acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Burleg' (mort d'ancestor); Robert remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Geoffrey and his heirs. Consideration two and a half marks. [CP25/1/192/3/2]

37. Ketton (Rutl.). Thurs after Trinity, anno 3 [6 Jun. 1219]. Justices H[ugh Foliot], abbot of Ramsey, W[illiam] de Cantelup, S[tephen] de Segrave, M[artin] de Pat', T[homas] de Heiden, and Maurice de Andely.

Between William son of Bernard, *pet*., and William Gardinarius, *ten*.; of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Exton (mort d'ancestor); that William son of Bernard remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to William Gardemarius and his heirs. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/3/3]

38. Westminster. One week from St. [Milburga] anno 4 [1 Mar. 1220]. Justices Robert de Ver, earl of Oxford, Martin de Pat'hull, Ralph Hareng, Thomas de Heyden, Robert de Laxinton.

Between Hugh de Greteford, *pet*., and Thomas de Toletorp, *ten*.; of twenty-four acres of land and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Toletorp; that Hugh remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration seven marks. [CP25/1/192/3/5]

39. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 4 [6 Apr. 1220]. Justices Martin de Pat'hull, Ralph Hareng, Stephen de Segrave.

Between brother Hugh de Alneto, prior of the Hospital of Jerusalem in England, *quer*., and Gilbert de Hauvill, *deforc*.,

of the advowson of the church of Dristok; that Gilbert recognized the advowson to be the right of the prior and the house of the Hospital of Jerusalem and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to the prior and his successors and the house; the prior and other brothers of the house have received Gilbert and his heirs in their alms and other services. [CP25/1/192/3/6]

40. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 4 [31 May 1220]. Justices Robert de Ver, earl of Oxford, Martin de Pat'hull, Ralph Hareng, Thomas de Heyden.

Between Richard de Hotot, *pet*., and John Marescall, *ten*.; of thirty-two shillings and one pound of pepper rent, with the appurtenances, in Berewedon (mort d'ancestor); that John recognized the rent to be the right of Richard; to have and to hold, to him and his heirs, of John and his heirs, rendering annually one pound of pepper at Michaelmas for all services except foreign service. Consideration five marks. [CP25/1/192/3/4]

41. Coventry. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 5 [22 Sept. 1221]. Justices itinerant Simon abbot of Reading, Ranulph abbot of Evesham, John de Munemue, Martin de Pat'hull, Ralph Harang, Robert de Lexinton, and Ralph Musard.

Between Henry de Tholetorp and Emma his wife (by Henry), *pet*., and Ralph de Normanvill the elder (by Hugh de Rippele), *ten*.; of four virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Horn; that Henry and Emma remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Emma, to Ralph and his heirs. Consideration thirteen marks. [CP25/1/192/3/7]

42. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 8 [20 Jan. 1224]. Justices Martin de Pateshill, Stephen de Segrave, Thomas de Haiden, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvag.

Between Thomas de Withhill and Beatrice his wife, and Robert Fromund and Agnes his wife (by Roger de Eston), *pet*., and Henry de Tikenecote, *ten*.; of two bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Bradecroft; that Thomas and Beatrice and Robert and Agnes remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Beatrice and Agnes, to Henry and his heirs. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/3/8]

43. Westminster. Two weeks from the Purification, anno 8 [16 Feb. 1224]. Justices Martin de Pateshill, Stephen de Segrave, Thomas de Haiden, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvage.

Between Richard de Mundevill, *pet*., and John de Mundevill, *ten*., of seven virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Wulfhul; that John recognized the land to be the right of Richard; and for this Richard granted all the land to John; to have and to hold to John for his life, of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually ten shillings at two terms, *viz*. half at Pentecost and half at Michaelmas, for all services except foreign service, and after John's death all the said land will revert to Richard and his heirs, quit of the heirs of John. [CP25/1/192/3/9]

44. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 9 [20 Apr. 1225]. Justices Martin de Pat'hill, Thomas de Muleton, Thomas de Heyden, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvag'.

Between Henry de Beivill (by Richard de Beivill), *pet*., and Richard abbot of Westminster, *deforc*.; of the advowson of the chapel of Gunthorp, with the appurtenances; that Henry recognized the advowson to be the right of the abbot and his church of Westminster and remitted and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs. For this, the abbot received Henry and his heirs in each benefaction and mass said in the church of Westminster. [CP25/1/192/3/11]

45. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 9 [27 Apr. 1225]. Justices Martin de Pat'hill, Thomas de Muleton, Thomas de Heyden, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvag.

Between Ralph Basset, *quer*., and Richard de Thanay and Amicia his wife, *deforc*.; of six and a half marks of rent, with the appurtenances, in Colestun, which Richard and Amicia hold by an earlier fine; that Richard and Amicia recognized the rent to be the right of Ralph and they rendered and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Amicia, to Ralph and his heirs; and for this Ralph granted to Richard and Amicia nine virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Exton, *viz*. one virgate which Geoffrey Basset holds, and one virgate which Gilbert son of William holds, and one virgate which Humphrey (*Unfridus*) Palmerus and William son of Geoffrey hold, and one virgate whch Nicholas son of Arald holds, and one virgate which Hugh son of Gilbert holds, and one virgate which Gouda widow of Randolph holds, and one virgate which Matilda widow of Hugh holds, and one virgate which William Gardinarius holds, and one virgate which Osbert holds, with the capital messuage of Raph Basset; to have and to hold to Richard and Amicia, and the heirs of Amicia, of Ralph and his heirs, with the said villeins, their lands, and their issue, rendering annually one pound of cumin at Michaelmas for all services except foreign service, and the previous fine is annulled. [CP25/1/192/3/10]

46. Westminster. Three weeks from the Purification, anno 10 [23 Feb. 1226]. Justices Martin de Pat'hill, Thomas de Muleton, Thomas de Heiden, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvag, and Warin son of John.

Between William Hasard, *pet*., and Hugh son of Ivo, *ten*.; of three and a half acres of land and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Whithewell; that William remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Hugh and his heirs; and further William remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Hugh and his heirs, all right and claim he has in three acres of land in the same vill *viz*. those which Matilda mother of William holds; and for this Hugh granted to William one toft *viz*. that which Ulf holds to the east; to have and to hold to William and his heirs, of Hugh and his heirs, rendering annually eight pence at two annual terms, *viz.* at Easter four pence and at Michaelmas four pence, for all services and exactions except foreign service. Consideration three marks. [CP25/1/192/3/12]

47. Westminster. Three weeks from the Purification, anno 10 [23 Feb. 1226]. Justices Martin de Pat'hill, Thomas de Muleton, Thomas de Heiden, Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey le Sauvag', and Warin son of John.

Between Muriel daughter of Simon (by William Hasard), *pet*., and Hugh son of Ivo, *ten*.; of six and a half acres of land and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Whitewell; that Muriel remitted and quitclaimed, for herself and her heirs, to Hugh and his heirs. Consideration three marks. [CP25/1/192/3/13]

48. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 15 [6 Apr. 1231]. Justices Thomas de Muleton, William de Ral', Robert de Lexinton, William de Insula, William de London, Master Robert de Shard', Ralph de Norwic, William de Ebor, and Richard Reines.

Between Nicholas de [Averham] and Michael his brother, *pet*., and Hasculph de Athelokxton, *ten*.; of one and a half bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Berwedon; that Hasculph recognized the land to be the right of Nicholas and Michael, and for this Nicholas and Michael granted to Hasculph two shillings of rent from the same land to Hasculph and his heirs of the holding which Sweta de Ketene holds in Keton; and further Nicholas and Michael gave to Hasculph fifteen marks. Agreement made in the presence of Sweta. [CP25/1/192/3/15]

49. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 15 [27 Oct. 1231]. Justices Thomas de Muleton, William de Ralegh, Robert de Lexinton, William de Insula, William de Lond', Master Robert de Shardlawe, Ralph de Norwic, and Richard Reins.

Between Robert de Weston, *pet*., and Geoffrey abbot of St. George of Bakervill, *ten*.; of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Weston; that Robert remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to the abbot and his successors and his church. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/14]

50. Westminster. Five weeks from Easter, anno 16 [16 May 1232]. Justices William de Ral', Robert de Lexinton, William de Ebor, Master Robert de Shard', Ralph de Norwic, and [. . .] son of William.

Between Geoffrey son of William, *pet*., and Robert Scriptore and Amabel his wife (by Robert), *ten*.; of half of three bovates of land and of half a moiety of one mill, and of half of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Sculthorpe and in Northluvinfram; that Geoffrey remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Robert and Amabel and the heirs of Amabel. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/3/16]

51. Ketton. Fri. after the feast of the Exaltation of Holy Cross, anno 24 [21 Sep. 1240]. Justices itinerant Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey de Armenteres, Robert de Haxaby, Guy Wak', and Ralph son of Reginald.

Between Geoffrey son of William and Robert his brother, and Ralph son of Henry and Jordan his brother, *pet*., and John de Burthorp, *ten*.; of half a bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Sculthorp and Luffenham; and between the same Geoffrey, Robert, Ralph, and Jordan, *pet*., and the said John whom Robert Scriptor and Amabel his wife called to warrant, of a bovate of land except one acre and a quarter part of one mill and half of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in the same vills; and between the same Geoffrey, Robert, Ralph, and Jordan, *pet*., and the said John whom Hugh de Pilton and Hetta his wife called to warrant, of three parts of one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in the same vills; that Geoffrey, Robert, Ralph, and Jordan remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration one mark. [CP25/1/192/3/17; fig. 2]

52. Ketton. Fri after the feast of the Exaltation of Holy Cross, anno 24 [21 Sep. 1240]. Justices itinerant Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey de Armenters, Robert de Haya, Guy Wak', and Ralph son of Reginald.

Between Roger son of Muriel, *pet*., and Ran[?ulph] son of Henry, *ten*.; of thirty-seven acres of land and one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Eggelton; that Roger remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Ranulph and his heirs. Consideration five marks. [CP25/1/192/3/19]

53. Ketton. Fri after the feast of the Exaltation of Holy Cross, anno 24 [21 Sep. 1240]. Justices itinerant Robert de Lexinton, Geoffrey de Armenters, Robert de Haya, Guy Wak, Ralph son of Reginald.

Between Geoffrey son of William and Robert his brother, and Ralph son of Henry and Jordan his brother, *pet*., and Hugh de Scultorp, *ten*.; of one bovate of land and half of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Scultorp and Luffenham; that Geoffrey, Robert, Ralph, and Jordan remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to Hugh and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/20]

54. Coventry. Three weeks from Michaelmas, anno 24 [20 Oct. 1240]. Justices itinerant Robert de Lexinton, Ralph de Sulleg, William de Culeworth, Robert de Hara, and Warin Engayne.

Between Richard son of Hugh, *pet*., and Robert Boystard and Agnes his wife, *ten*., of twenty-six acres of land, and one and a half acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham; that Robert and Agnes recognized the land and meadow to be the right of Richard, and for this Richard granted to Robert and Agnes a third part of all the said land and meadow *sic iacet ubique versus sole*; to have and to hold to Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, of the chief lord of the fee, rendering the services for the third part for all services and exactions. Consideration half a mark. [CP25/1/192/3/18; illustrated on back cover]

55. Lichfield. Morrow of St. Nicholas, anno 25 [7 Dec. 1240]. Justices itinerant Robert de Lexinton, Ralph de Sulleg, William de Culeworthe, Robert de Haya, and Warin Engayne.

Between Hugh de Mortuomari (by Robert son of Aymer), *quer*., and Robert de Legb' and Joan his wife, *imped*.; of two virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Belton (warranty of charter); that Robert and Joan recognized the land to be the right of Hugh as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Hugh and his heirs, of Robert and Joan for their lives, rendering annually nine quarters of wheat at nine terms, *viz*. at St. Nicholas one quarter and at the end of

each six weeks thereafter one quarter until the said nine quarters are fully paid; and if one of them survives the other, then Hugh and his heirs will render each year to the survivor for his life half of the said corn at the said terms; and after their deaths Hugh and his heirs will be quit of the payment and will hold of the chief lord of the fee, rendering the customary services. Consideration twenty shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/22]

56. Worcester. Morrow of the Close of Easter, anno 25 [8 Apr. 1241]. Justices itinerant Robert de Lexinton, William de Colewurth, Ralph de Suleg, Jolan de Nevill, and Robert de Haya.

Between John Talebot, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Ketene, *imped*.; of one carucate of land and one mill, with the appurtenances, in Parva Hameledon, and of two virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (warranty of charter); that Geoffrey recognised all the said land and mill, with the appurtenances, in demesne, rents, reliefs, wardships, escheats, and in all other things pertaining to the said land and mill, to be the right of John as that which John had by his gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs, of Geoffrey and his heirs, rendering annually 13*s*. 6*d*. at four terms, *viz*. 40½*d*. at each of Christmas, Easter, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and at Michaelmas, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services, for all services and exactions; with warranty by Geoffrey and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/21]

57. Westminster. Morrow of the Purification, anno 27 [3 Feb. 1243]. Justices Robert de Lexinton, Jollan de Nevill, and Robert de Essehurn.

Between John Luvet, *pet*., and Walter de Rippeley, *ten*.; of two bovates of land and two messuages, with the appurtenances, in Empingham; that Walter recognized the land and messuages to be the right of John and rendered them to him in the same court, and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration forty shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/23]

58. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 28 [17 Apr. 1244]. Justices Roger de Thurkelby, Jollano de Neville, and John de Cobeham.

Between William de Cantilupo (by Laurence del Broke), *quer*., and Peter de Fraxineto (by Laurence de Stiveton), *imped*.; of the manor of Kylpesham and the advowson of the church, with the appurtenances (warranty of charter); that Peter recognized the manor and advowson to be the right of William as that which William had by his gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs, of Peter and his heirs, rendering to the chief lord of the fee for Peter and his heirs the customary services; with warranty by Peter and his heirs, to William and his heirs. Consideration £250. [CP25/1/192/3/24]

59. Westminster. St. John the Baptist, anno 29 [24 Jun. 1245]. Justices Robert de Notingeham, John de Cobeham, William de Sancto Edmundo, and Master Robert de Shardelawe.

Between William abbot of Pipewell (by brother Guy his monk), *quer*., and Peter de Monte Forti, *imped*.; of six virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Uppingeham and Ridelinton (warranty of charter); that Peter recognized the land to be the right of the abbot and his church of Pipewell as that which they had by the gift of Thurstan father of Peter whose heir he is, as in demesne, homage and services of free men, villeins, woods, meadows, and pastures, and all other things which pertain to the land; to have and to hold to the said abbot and his successors and his church, in free and perpetual alms, of Peter and his heirs, rendering scutage to the king when required for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and secular demands; with warranty by Peter and his heirs to the abbot and his successors and church. And the abbot granted for himself and his successors that Peter and his heirs will present one clerk to the habit of a monk to celebrate in the church of Pipewell for the soul of Peter and his ancestors and successors, and after the death of this monk another clerk will be admitted to the habit of a monk at the presentation of Peter or his heirs and so after the death of each monk. [CP25/1/192/3/25]

60. Westminster. Three weeks from Trinity, anno 31 [16 Jun. 1247]. Justices Henry de Bathon', Alan de Wadsand, and William de Wilton.

Between Geoffrey de Armenters, *quer*., and Ida, prioress of Eton, *deforc*.; of the advowson of the church of Burleg (darrein presentment); that Geoffrey recognized the advowson to be the right of the prioress and church of Eton and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to the prioress, her successors and church. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/3/27]

61. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter Ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Priston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between John de Kybbewrth and Alice his wife, *pet*., and Peter le Nodirus and Isabel his wife, *ten*.; of a moiety of twenty acres of land and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham, the which moiety John and Alice claimed as the reasonable purparty of Alice of the inheritance of Matilda atte Well, mother of Alice and Isabel, whose heirs they are; that Peter and Isabel recognized the said moiety except half an acre of land called Havedlondhabieacre to be the right of Alice and rendered it to John and Alice in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, of the chief lord of the fee, rendering the customary services. For this, John and Alice granted to Peter and Isabel the said half-acre, which pertains to that moiety; to have and to hold to Peter and Isabel, and the heirs of Isabel, of the chief lord of the fee. [CP25/1/192/3/26]

62. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Thomas de Reppele, *pet*., and John Luvet, *ten*., of two bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Empingham (mort d'ancestor); that Thomas remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration three marks. [CP25/1/192/3/28]

63. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Henry Murdak, *quer*., and Osbert de Glaston and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of three acres of wood, with the appurtenances, in Huppingham (warranty of charter); that Osbert and Alice recognized the wood to be the right of Henry as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Henry and his heirs, of Osbert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services and exactions; with warranty by Osbert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Henry and his heirs. Consideration five marks. [CP25/1/192/3/29]

64. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Henry de Karreby and Isabel his wife, *pet*., and Bernard Bovfiz, *ten*., of six acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Tikeshore; and between the same Henry and Isabel, *pet*., and William son of Reginald and [Reynalda] his wife, *ten*., of one acre and three roods of land, with the appurtenances, in the same vill; and between the same Henry and Isabel, *pet*., and Henry Wuderene and Alvena his wife, *ten*., of one acre and three roods of land, with the appurtenances, in the same vill; and between the same Henry and Isabel, *pet*., and Gunnilda daughter of Henry, *ten*., of one acre three roods of land, with the appurtenances, in the same vill (grand assise); that Henry and Isabel remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Isabel, to Bernard, William and Reynalda, Henry and Alvena, and Gunnilda, and the heirs of Bernard, Reynalda, Alvena, and Gunnilda. Consideration from Bernard twenty shillings, from William and Reynalda half a mark, from Henry and Alneva half a mark, and from Gunnilda half a mark. [CP25/1/192/3/30]

65. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Isabel daughter of Henry, *quer*., and Henry de Whytewell, *imped*., of one messuage and twelve acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Whytewell (warranty of charter); that Henry recognized the holding to be the right of Isabel as that which she had by his gift, and for this Isabel granted the holding to Henry; to have and to hold to Henry for his life, of Isabel and her heirs, rendering annually one penny at Easter, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after Henry's death the messuage and land will revert to Isabel and her heirs to hold of the heirs of Henry. [CP25/1/192/3/31]

66. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Isabel who was the wife of Roger le Hund, *pet*., and Luke de Sowe, *ten*.; of a third part of fourteen acres of land and one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Egelinton, which Isabel claimed as reasonable dower of the free tenement which was of Roger, sometime her husband, in the same vill; that Isabel remitted and quitclaimed to Luke and his heirs. Consideration twenty shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/32]

67. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Matilda daughter of John, *pet*., and Henry son of Robert, *ten*.; of six acres of land and two parts of a messuage, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (grand assise); that Henry recognized the holding to be the right of Matilda and rendered it to her in the same court; to have and to hold to Matilda and her heirs, of the Prior of Brooke, the chief lord of the fee, and his successors and church; rendering annually three shillings at four terms *viz*. nine pence at each of Michaelmas, Christmas, Easter, and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and doing suit to the prior's court of Northluffenham, and rendering for each relief when it happens sixteen shillings, for all services and exactions. And further Henry granted, for himself and his heirs, that one and a half acres of land which Mabel, mother of Henry, holds in dower in the same vill of the inheritance of Henry and which pertains to the said six acres, after Mabel's death will remain to Matilda and her heirs to hold together with the six acres and two parts of a messuage. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. Agreement made in the presence of the prior. [CP25/1/192/3/33]

68. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Hugh son of Ralph de Empingham, *pet*., and John Talebot, *ten*.; of a half-acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Parva Hameldun; that Hugh remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration two marks. [CP25/1/192/3/34]

69. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Peston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Matilda daughter of John, *pet*., and Matilda daughter of William, *ten*.; of eight acres and three roods of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (grand assise); that Matilda daughter of John recognized the land to be the right of Matilda daughter of William; and for this Thomas de Kirkeby, who took the said Alice [*sic*] to wife after Matilda brought the assise, and Matilda his wife granted to Matilda daughter of John one and a half acres of the said

land and a half-acre of meadow, *viz*. one rood next to the land which was of Roger Caplli, one rood next to the land which was of Michael Gerneth, one rood next to the land of Matilda daughter of John, one rood at Budewellehend next to the land of Matthew son of John, one rood which abuts on Wrongedich, and one rood above Humforlong next to the land of Geoffrey de Fonte, and all the meadow of the same fee in Wyleweholm; to have and to hold to Matilda daughter of John and her heirs of the chief lord of the fee, rending the customary services. All the remainder of the land will remain to Thomas de Kirkeby and Matilda his wife, quit of Matilda daughter of John and her heirs. [CP25/1/192/3/35]

70. Oakham. Morrow of St. Peter ad Vincula, anno 31 [2 Aug. 1247]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Peter de Monte Forti, *quer*., and Gunfrey (*Gunfridus*) de Legh and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of a quarter part of one messuage, one toft, one hide, and nine and a half bovates and eight acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Staunford, Breiles, Northluffenham, and Wenge (warranty of charter); that Gunfrey and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Peter as that which Peter had by their gift, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice, to Peter and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/3/36]

71. Hereford. One week from Michaelmas, anno 32 [6 Oct. 1248]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Richard Pokke, *pet*., and William de Colevill (by Robert de Colevill), *ten*.; of a third of one knight's fee, with the appurtenances, in Belmesthorp and Ryhal; that William recognized the third part to be the right of Richard and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services, for all services and exactions. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/3/37]

72. *Catteshull*. Morrow of Ascension, anno 35 [26 May 1251]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Master Simon de Wauton.

Between Richard son of [Arnold] de Seyton, *quer*., and William de Moyvill of Brondiston and Agnes his wife, *imped*.; of one bovate and twelve acres of land, one mill, two messuages, pasture for two hundred sheep, and one liberty of bull, with the appurtenances, in Bitlesbrok (warranty of charter); that William and Agnes recognized the holding, together with the eastern moiety of the wood of Westwode, to be the right of Richard as that which Richard had by their gift; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs, of William and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes, rendering the foreign service as in scutage as much as pertains to one bovate of land of the same fee in that vill, for all services, suit of court, wardship, relief, aid, customs, and exactions; with warranty by William and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Richard and his heirs. For this, Richard granted to William and Agnes two messuages, with the appurtenances, in the same vill which Alan Basset formerly held; to have and to hold to William and Agnes for the life of Agnes, of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually six pence for all services, customs, and exactions, and after Agnes's death the messuages will revert entire to Richard and his heirs. Richard also gave to William and Agnes £20.

Endorsed: John son of Richard de Hidlington put in his claim. Richard Basset of Northluthenham put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/3/38]

73. Nottingham. Five weeks from Easter, anno 36 [5 May 1252]. Justices itinerant Silvester [Everdon], bishop of Carlisle, Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, and Adam de Hylton.

Between Hugh de Bussay (by Walter de Foston), *quer*., and Simon de Capella and Matilda his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, fourteen bovates of land, and 20*s*. 8*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Thystilton (warranty of charter); that Simon and Matilda recognized the holding, with the appurtenances, in demesne, homage, services of free men and villeins, meadow, and pasture, to be the right of Hugh as that which Hugh had by their gift; and further Simon and Matilda granted to Hugh the homage and service of Nicholas de Weston and William de Wynne and their heirs for the holdings which Nicholas and William hold of Simon and Matilda in Weston and Wynne; to have and to hold to Hugh and his heirs, of Simon and Matilda and the heirs of Matilda, rendering annually one penny at Christmas and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Simon and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to Hugh and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/3/39]

74. Northampton. Two weeks from the Purification, anno 37 [16 Feb. 1253]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, Henry de Colevill, and Simon de Trop.

Between Amicia, prioress of St. Michael extra Staunford, *quer*., and Robert le Butyller of Hoc; that Robert acquit her of the service of suit to the court of [Ralph] Basset and Walter de Colevill of Berk for the free tenement which Robert held in Wenton, and which Ralph and Walter sought from the prioress and distrained her in the absence of Robert who holds between them; that Robert recognized for himself and his heirs that he ought to acquit the prioress and her successors and the church against Ralph and Walter and their heirs and against all other men of the said suit; and further Robert recognized the holding to be the right of the prioress and the church; to have and to hold to the prioress and her successors and the church, of Robert and his heirs; rendering annually one mark at four terms, *viz*. 3*s*. 4*d*. at each of Easter, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, Michaelmas, and Christmas, and rendering the foreign service for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Robert and his heirs to the prioress and her successors and church. For this, the prioress remitted and quitclaimed to Robert all damages which he ought to pay. [CP25/1/192/3/45]

75. Oakham. Morrow of Michaelmas, anno 37 [30 Sept. 1253]. Justices [itinerant] Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, William Trussel, and Baldwin de Paunton.

Between Roger de Suwyke and Beatrice his wife, *pet*., and Richard de Pilton, *ten*.; of one messuage and one carucate of land, with the appurtenances, in Pylton (mort d'ancestor); that Roger and Beatrice remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Beatrice, to Richard and his heirs, except for seven roods of meadow; and for this, Richard granted to Roger and Beatrice the said seven roods of meadow, *viz*. which lie next to the park of Robert de Kingesford to the east; to have and to hold to Roger and Beatrice and the heirs of Beatrice, of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Roger and Beatrice, and the heirs of Beatrice, to Richard and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/3/40]

76. Oakham. Morrow of Michaelmas, anno 37 [30 Sept. 1253]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, William Trussel, and Baldwin de Paunton.

Between Adam Chaumpeneys and Matilda his wife, *pet*., and William Maudut and Alice his wife, *ten*.; of one messuage, three bovates of land, and six acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmor; that Adam and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Alice, and for this William and Alice granted the holding to Adam and Matilda; to have and to hold to Adam and Matilda and the heirs of Matilda, of William and Alice and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually six pence at two terms, *viz*. half at Easter and half at Michaelmas, for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by William and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Adam and Matilda and the heirs of Matilda. Further, Adam and Matilda remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Matilda, to William and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, all right and claim which they had in all the lands and holdings which were of William le Chaumpeneys, brother of Matilda. [CP25/1/192/3/41]

77. Oakham. Morrow of Michaelmas, anno 37 [30 Sept. 1253]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, William Trussel, and Baldwin de Paunton.

Between Ralph de Bellafago and Christine his wife, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Milton, *deforc*.; of sixteen shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Milton (plea of covenant); that Geoffrey granted for himself and his heirs to render each year to Ralph and Christine and their issue from the manor of Milton sixteen shillings at four terms, *viz*. four shillings at each of Christmas, Easter, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and Michaelmas; and if it happens that Geoffrey defaults in paying the money, then Ralph and Christine or their issue may distrain on the chattels of Geoffrey or his heirs in the said manor until full payment is made for that term; and if it happens that Ralph and Christine die without issue between them, then after their deaths Geoffrey and his heirs are quit of payment of the rent. [CP25/1/192/3/42]

78. Oakham. Morrow of Michaelmas, anno 37 [30 Sept. 1253]. Justicies itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, William Trussel, and Baldwin de Paunton.

Between Ralph de Bellafago, *quer*., and Henry le Deveneys and Petronilla his wife, *deforc*.; of ten acres of land and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Seyton (plea of covenant); that Henry and Petronilla recognized the holding to be the right of Ralph and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Petronilla, to Ralph and his heirs. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/43]

79. Oakham. Morrow of Michaelmas, anno 37 [30 Sept. 1253]. Justices itinerant Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, and William Trussel.

Between Robert son of Everard, *pet*., and William son of Geoffrey, *ten*.; of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Pylton; that Robert remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to William and his heirs, both that holding and also in all the other lands and holdings which William holds in the said vill. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/44]

80. St. Bride's (*Sancta Brigid'*), London. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 38 [12 Nov. 1253]. Justices Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, Alan de Wacsaund, Giles de Erdington, and William Trussel.

Between Richard abbot of Westminster (by brother Geoffrey his monk), *quer*., and Silvester de Tyrington and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one virgate of land and two tofts, with the appurtenances, in Thorp (warranty of charter); that Silvester and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of the abbot and church of Westminster as that which they had by the gift of Silvester and Alice; to have and to hold of Silvester and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, in free alms and quit of all secular services and exactions; with warranty by Silvester and Alice and the heirs of Alice to the abbot and his successors and church. And for this, Silvester and Alice and the heirs of Alice will be received into each benefaction and mass in the church. [CP25/1/192/3/47]

81. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 38 [26 Apr. 1254]. Justices Roger de Thurkelby, Gilbert de Preston, Master Simon de Wauton, Alan de Wacsaund, Giles de Erdington, and William Trussel.

Between Richard de Pilton, *pet*., and Roger de Suwyk and Beatrice his wife, *ten*.; of one messuage, two bovates and thirty acres of land, and one mill, with the appurtenances, in Ketene and Suthluffenham; that Roger and Beatrice recognized the holding to be the right of Richard and rendered it to him in the same court; and for this Richard, at the request of Roger and Beatrice, granted it to Ralph de Grenham and Mabel his wife; to have and to hold to Ralph and Mabel and their issue, of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually one pound of cumin or three halfpence at Christmas for all services, suit of court, wardship, relief, aid, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Richard and his heirs, to Ralph and Mabel and their issue; and if it happens that Ralph and Mabel have no issue between them, then after their deaths the holding will remain to the heirs of Ralph. Consideration (given by Ralph and Mabel to Richard) £20. [CP25/1/192/3/46]

82. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 39 [25 Nov. 1254]. Justices Roger de Thurkelby, Alan de Wacsaund, and Giles de Erdington.
Between Ralph de Grenham, *quer.*, and William de Menill and Agnes his wife, *imped.*; of two messuages and one carucate of land, with the appurtenances, in Buttlesbrok (warranty of charter); that William and Agnes recognized the holding with its appurtenances, as in demesne, the homage and service of free men, villeinage, rents, wardships, reliefs, escheats, meadow, pastures, woods, and all other things which pertain to the said messuage and land, to be the right of Ralph as that which he had by their gift; and for this Ralph, at the request of William and Agnes, granted the said holding to Alice de Keneton; to have and to hold to Alice and her issue, of William and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes, rendering for a scutage of forty shillings, when it happens, ten shillings, and if more, more, and if less, less, for all services, suit of court, wardship, relief, aid, customs, and exactions; if it happens that Alice dies without issue, then the holding will revert to Ralph and his heirs, to hold of William and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes by the aforesaid service; with warranty by William and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Alice and her issue, or Ralph and his heirs if Alice dies without issue. Consideration (given by Ralph to William and Agnes) eighty marks. [CP25/1/192/3/48]

83. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 40 [1 Jul. 1256]. Justices Master Simon de Wauton, Robert de Shotindon, and John de Cokefeld.
Between Robert prior of Brok, *quer.*, and Roger de Suwik and Beatrice his wife, *imped.*; of one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Wenton (warranty of charter); that Roger and Beatrice recognized the land to be the right of the prior and his church, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Beatrice, to the prior and his successors and church. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/50]

84. Lincoln. Three weeks from Michaelmas, anno 40 [20 Oct. 1256]. Justices itinerant John abbot of [. . .] Peter, Roger de Thurkelby, Peter de [Perti], Nicholas de Haudlo, and John de Wyvill.
Between William de Franketon and [Aline his wife] . . ., and John de Curzun and Alice his wife, *imped.*; of the manor of Horn and the advowson of the church, with the appurtenances, (warranty of charter); that John and Alice recognized the manor and advowson, with the appurtenances, in demesne, villeinage, rents, escheats, meadows, pastures, waters, mill and all other things which pertain to the manor, to be the right of William and Aline as that which they had by gift of John and Alice; to have and to hold to them and the heirs of William, of John and Alice and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty to William and Aline, and the heirs of William, by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice. Consideration sixty marks. [CP25/1/192/3/49]

85. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 41 [13 Oct. 1257]. Justices Henry de Bathon and Robert de Brywes.
Between William Mauduyt of Hanslap, *quer.*, and Adam de Byllesdon and Matilda his wife, *deforc.*; of one toft and twelve acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Cotesmor (plea of covenant); that Adam and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of William and rendered it to him in the same court, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Matilda, to William and his heirs. Consideration four marks.
Endorsed: Anselm Faber of Cottesmor put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/3/51]

86. Westminster. One week from St. Martin, anno 42 [18 Nov. 1257]. Justices Henry de Bathon and Robert de Brywes.
Between John de Grey (by Richard Grucet), *quer.*, and Robert Coke and Alice his wife, *imped.*; of two bovates and eight acres of land, and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Keten (warranty of charter); that Robert and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs, of Robert and Alice and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually one clove at Easter for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to John and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/52]

87. Westminster. Morrow of St. Andrew, anno 46 [1 Dec. 1261]. Justices Gilbert de Preston and John de Wyvill.
Between Peter de Nevill, *quer.*, and William de Rues and Isabel his wife, *imped.*; of a moiety of the manor of Brauntesdon, with the appurtenances (warranty of charter); that William and Isabel recognized the moiety, with the appurtenances, as in demesne, services of free men, wardships, reliefs, escheats, and all other things which pertain to the moiety, to be the right of Peter as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Peter and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; further William and Isabel remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Isabel, to Peter and his heirs all their right and claim in the holding which Lucy de Mednyl, sister of Isabel, holds in the same vill. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/54]

88. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 46 [23 Apr. 1262]. Justices Gilbert de Preston and John de Wyvill.
Between Ralph de Grenham and Mabel his wife (by William de Castre), *quer.*, and Richard de Pilton, *imped.*; of one messuage, two bovates of land, and one mill, with the appurtenances, in Keten, and thirty acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham (warranty of charter); that Richard recognized the holdings to be the right of Ralph and Mabel as that which they had by his gift; to have and to hold to Ralph and Mabel and their issue, of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually three halfpence at Michaelmas for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord the customary services; and if it happens that Ralph dies without issue by Mabel, then after the death of

Mabel, the holding will remain entire to the heirs of Ralph; with warranty by Richard and his heirs, to Ralph and Mabel and the heirs of Ralph. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/55]

89. Leicester. Three weeks from Easter, anno 46 [30 Apr. 1262]. Justices itinerant Martin de Littilbyr', Walter de Bursted, Richard de Middilton, Geoffrey de Leukenor, and Richard de Hemington.

Between Walter de Lywelle, parson of the church of Dristoke, *quer*., and Robert le Con'ur and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and three and a half acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Dristoke (warranty of charter); that Robert and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Walter, as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Walter and his heirs, of Robert and Alice and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually one clove at Easter for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Walter and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/53]

90. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Alan de Martinesthorp, *quer*., and Gilbert le Teler of Staunford and Isabel his wife, *imped*.; of a moiety of one toft and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Martinesthorp (warranty of charter); that Gilbert and Isabel recognized the holding to the right of Alan as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Alan and his heirs, of Gilbert and Isabel and the heirs of Isabel, rendering annually one root of ginger at Christmas for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Gilbert and Isabel, and the heirs of Isabel, to Alan and his heirs. Consideration forty shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/56]

91. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between William le Daneys, *pet*., and Mabel who was the wife of William le Daneys whom Richard le Daneys called to warrant and who warranted, of two messuages and two bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Tykencote (grand assise); that Mabel recognized the messuages and land to be the right of William, and for this William granted it to Mabel; to have and to hold to Mabel, of William and his heirs, for Mabel's life, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by William and his heirs to Mabel; and after Mabel's death the holding will revert entire to William and his heirs, quit of the heirs of Mabel. [CP25/1/192/3/58]

92. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Ralph Tayllard, *quer*., and Geoffrey Bovfyz and Margery his wife, *imped*.; of one and a half acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Burl' (warranty of charter); that Geoffrey and Margery recognized the land to be the right of Ralph as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Ralph and his heirs, of Geoffrey and Margery and the heirs of Margery, rendering annually one root of ginger at Michaelmas for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Geoffrey and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to Ralph and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/59]

93. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between John Basset and Gilbert his brother, *pet*., and William son of Richard Basset, *ten*., of two parts of one messuage, two carucates of land, and thirty shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham, which John and Gilbert claim to be their reasonable purparty of the inheritance of Alan Basset, father of John and Gilbert and grandfather of William, whose heir he is, in the same vill; that John and Gilbert remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to William and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/60]

94. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Thomas le Paumer of Okham, *quer*., and John de Thyd and Amicia his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and six acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Thorp (warranty of charter); that John and Amicia recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs, of John and Amicia and the heirs of Amicia, rendering annually two pence at the feast of St. John the Baptist for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by John and Amicia, and the heirs of Amicia, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration one mark. [CP25/1/192/3/61]

95. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Robert de Tholethorp, *quer*., and Hugh le Despens', *deforc*.; of a free fishery (*piscaria*) which Robert claimed to have in the water of Wesse; that Robert recognized the fishery to be the right of Hugh, and for this Hugh granted it to Robert *viz.* from the vill of Tholethorp to Robert's mill at the old bridge in Ryhale; to have and to hold to Robert and his heirs, of Hugh and his heirs, rendering annually four shillings at two terms, *viz*. half at Michaelmas and half at Easter, for all services, customs, and exactions, saving however to Hugh and his heirs, his servants or his bailiff in the same vill, [the use of the] fishery by his reeve and his *familia* to stock his fishpond in the same vill, at his will, without

impediment by Robert or his heirs; and Robert granted for himself and his heirs that neither the corn nor the meadow of Hugh or his heirs will be trampled upon or damaged in any other way. [CP25/1/192/3/62; fig. 6]

96. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between John de Burel, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Burel and Margery his wife, *imped*.; of six acres of land and a half-acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Burl' (warranty of charter); that Geoffrey and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of John, as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs, of Geoffrey and Margery and the heirs of Margery, rendering annually one root of ginger at Easter for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Geoffrey and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to John and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/63]

97. Oakham. Morrow of the close of Easter, anno 47 [9 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Robert Boystard and Agnes his wife, *quer*., and Henry son of Robert and Emma his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, one and a half bovates of land, and a quarter part of one watermill, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham; that Henry and Emma recognized the holding to be the right of Robert and Agnes, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Emma, to Robert and Agnes and his heirs. Consideration twenty shillings. [CP25/1/192/3/64]

98. Oakham. Two weeks from Easter, anno 47 [15 Apr. 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between William son of William de Langham, chaplain, and Reginald his brother, *quer*., and William de Langham chaplain, *imped*.; of two messuages, [two] virgates and twenty acres of land, with the appurtances, in Okham and Langham (warranty of charter); that William the chaplain recognized the holding to be the right of William and Reginald as that which they had by his gift; to have and to hold to William and Reginald and their issue, of William and his heirs, rendering annually to William for his life one hundred shillings at four terms, *viz*. twenty-five shillings at each of St. John the Baptist, Michaelmas, Christmas, and Easter; and after William's death, William and Reginald and their heirs will be quit of the payment, and will hold it of the heirs of William, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by William and his heirs, to William and Reginald and their heirs; and if it happens that William and Reginald die without issue then the holding will revert entire to William and his heirs, quit of the heirs of William and Reginald. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/3/67]

99. Oakham. Monday after Ascension, anno 47 [14 May 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between William Sherehare and Lecia his wife, *quer*., and Peter de Nodar' and Isabel his wife, *imped*.; of one acre of land, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham (warranty of charter); that Peter and Isabel recognized the holding to be the right of Walter and Lecia as that which they had by gift of Peter and Isabel; to have and to hold to Walter and Lecia and their heirs, of Peter and Isabel and the heirs of Isabel, rendering annually one halfpence at Christmas for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Peter and Isabel, and the heirs of Isabel, to Walter and Lecia and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/57]

100. Oakham. Monday after Ascension, anno 47 [14 May 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Robert son of Robert de Weston, *pet*., and Richard abbot of St. George de Boschervill (by William Beschet), *ten*.; of one messuage and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Ediweston (duel); that Robert recognized the holding to be right of the abbot and his church, and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to the abbot and his successors and church. Consideration fourteen marks. [CP25/1/192/3/65]

101. Oakham. Tuesday after Ascension, anno 47 [15 May 1263]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Bernard de Brus.

Between Simon de Glaston, *pet*., and James de Paunton, *ten*.; of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Glaston; that James recognized the holding to be the right of Simon and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Simon and his heirs, of James and his heirs, rendering annually ten shillings at four terms, *viz*. 2*s*. 6*d*. at each of Michaelmas, Christmas, Easter, and St. John the Baptist, and doing the foreign service as in scutage when it happens, and doing suit to James's court of Glaston, for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by James and his heirs, to Simon and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/66]

102. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 50 [27 Jan. 1266]. Justices Gilbert de Preston and Walter de Berstede.

Between Robert le Escriveyn of Sculthorp, *quer*., and John Sampsone and Helen his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and three bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham, and one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Pilton, and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Sculthorp (warranty of charter); that John and Helen recognized the said holdings to be the right of Robert as those which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Robert and his heirs, of John and Helen and the heirs of Helen, rendering annually one pound of cumin at Easter for

all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by John and Helen, and the heirs of Helen, to Robert and his heirs. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/3/68]

103. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 54 [27 Apr. 1270]. Justices Martin de Litlebur', Master Roger de Seyton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Walter de Sumers and Emma his wife, *quer*., and Richard Russel of Hameldon, *deforc*.; of five bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Hameldon (plea of covenant); that Richard recognized the land to be the right of Walter and Emma as that which they had by his gift; and for this, they granted it to Richard and Edith his wife; to have and to hold to Richard and Edith and their issue, of Walter and Emma and the heirs of Walter, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and if it happens that Richard dies without issue by Edith, then after their deaths, it will revert entire to Walter and Emma and the heirs of Walter, quit of the other heirs of Richard. [CP25/1/192/3/69]

104. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 55 [20 Jan. 1271]. Justices Martin de Litlebur', Master Roger de Seyton, and John de Cobeham.

Between William de Alazun (by Thomas de Normanvill), *quer*., and Gerard de Fanacurt and Eustacia his wife (by John Morel), *imped*.; of seven tofts, three and a half virgates of land, and 14*s*. 6*d*. and one pound of pepper and one chaplet of roses in rent, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (warranty of charter); that Gerard and Eustacia recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs, of Gerard and Eustacia and the heirs of Eustacia, rendering annually one pound of cumin at Easter, and rendering scutage to the lord king when it happens, for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Gerard and Eustacia, and the heirs of Eustacia, to William and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/70]

105. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 55 [20 Jan. 1271]. Justices Martin de Litlebur', Master Roger de Seyton, and John de Cobeham.

Between Thomas de Normanvill, *quer*., and Gerard de Fanecurt and Eustacia his wife (by John Morel), *imped*.; of one messuage and eight virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Normanton and the advowson of the church (warranty of charter); that Gerard and Eustacia recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs, of Gerard and Eustacia and the heirs of Eustacia, rendering annually one pound of cumin at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Gerard and Eustacia, and the heirs of Eustacia, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration £100. [CP25/1/192/3/78]

106. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenore.

Between Richard de Seyton, *quer*., and William de Fraunkton and Aline his wife (by John son of Andrew), *imped*.; of two messuages and one hundred and sixty acres of land, seven acres of meadow, and a rent of one pound of cumin, with the appurtenances, in Horne, and the advowson of the church (warranty of charter); that William and Aline recognized the holding (the rent of cumin that which Nicholas de Fraunkton renders for the tenement which Nicholas holds of them in Horne) to be the right of Richard as that which he had by their grant; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs, of William and Aline for their lives, rendering annually nine marks at four terms, *viz*. 30*s*. at each of Christmas, Easter, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and Michaelmas, for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after their deaths, Richard and his heirs will be quit of the rent and will hold of the chief lord of the fee; with warranty by William and Aline and their heirs, to Richard and his heirs. Consideration forty marks. Agreement made in the presence of Nicholas.

Endorsed: Nicholas de Fraunkton put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/3/71]

107. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenor'.

Between Richard de Flixthorp, *quer*., and Roger de Fodringeye and Agnes his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, one virgate of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Wyssenden (warranty of charter); that Roger and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of Richard as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs, of Roger and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes, rendering annually one penny at Easter or one pair of gloves price one pence, for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Roger and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Richard and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/72]

108. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenor'.

Between William le Blund and Isabel his wife, *quer*., and Walter le Blund, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one mill, nineteen virgates of land, and fourteen pence and one pound of pepper rent, with the appurtenances, in Belton (plea of covenant); that William and Isabel recognized the holding to be the right of Walter, and for this Walter granted it to William and Isabel; to have and to hold to William and Isabel and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that they die without issue between them, then the holding will revert entire to Walter and his heirs; for this William granted to Walter and his heirs one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Messeworthe (Bucks.); to have and to hold to Walter and his heirs of William and his heirs, rendering annually one pair of gloves price one penny

at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by William and his heirs, to Walter and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/3/73; fig. 4]

109. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenore.

Between Richard Skeyehare, *quer*., and Henry de Isham and Joan his wife, *imped*.; of one toft, with the appurtenances, in Suth Luffenham (warranty of charter); that Henry and Joan recognized the toft to be the right of Richard as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs, of Henry and Joan and the heirs of Joan, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Henry and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to Richard and his heirs. Consideration half a mark. [CP25/1/192/3/74]

110. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenore.

Between Robert son of Geoffrey and Edith his wife, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Twyford and Ivetta his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and two virgates and four acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Twyford (warranty of charter); that Geoffrey and Ivetta recognized the holding to be the right of Robert and Edith as that which they had by gift of Geoffrey and Ivetta; to have and to hold to Robert and Edith and their heirs, of Geoffrey and Ivetta and their heirs, rendering annually thirteen pence at two terms, *viz*. 6½*d*. at each of Michaelmas and Easter; with warranty by Geoffrey and Ivetta and their heirs, to Robert and Edith and their heirs. Consideration fourteen marks. [CP25/1/192/3/75]

111. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenore.

Between Richard Skerhare, *quer*., and Simon Humfrey and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one toft, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham (warranty of charter); that Simon and Alice recognized the toft to be the right of Richard as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs, of Simon and Alice and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually one halfpence at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Simon and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Richard and his heirs. Consideration half a mark. [CP25/1/192/3/76]

112. Oakham. Morrow of St. Matthew, anno 55 [22 Sept. 1271]. Justices itinerant Gilbert de Preston and Geoffrey de Leukenor'.

Between Henry son of Richard, *quer*., and Walter son of Richard de Cotesmor and Cecily his wife, *imped*.; of two and a half acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Cotesmor (warranty of charter); that Walter and Cecily recognized the land to be the right of Henry as that which Henry had by their gift; to have and to hold to Henry and his heirs, of Walter and Cecily and the heirs of Cecily, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Walter and Cecily, and the heirs of Cecily, to Henry and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/3/77]

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113. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 3 [16 Jun. 1275]. Justices Master Roger de Seyton, Master Richard de Stanes, John de Cobbeham, Thomas Welond, and John de Lovetoft.

Between Peter de Hauvill, *quer*., and John de Cavenedisse and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Redlinton; that John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Peter, and they rendered it to him in the same court, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice, to Peter and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/4/2]

114. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 3 [13 Oct. 1275]. Justices Master Roger de Seyton, Master Richard de Stanes, John de Cobbeham, Master Ralph de Frenyngham, Thomas Welond, and John de Lovetoft.

Between William de Stanes, *quer*., and William de Elvestowe and Margery his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, eleven acres of land, and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Thorp iuxta Okham (warranty of charter); that William and Margery recognized the said holding to be the right of William de Stanes, as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs, of William and Margery and the heirs of Margery, rendering annually one root of ginger at Michaelmas for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by William and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to William and his heirs. Consideration twelve marks. [CP25/1/192/4/1]

115. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 5 [11 Apr. 1277]. Justices Master Roger de Seyton, Master Ralph de Frenyngham, Thomas Welond, John de Lovetoft, and Roger de Leyc'.

Between Richard, abbot of Westminster (by brother Roger de Waledene his monk), *quer*., and Henry de Lutone and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and eleven acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Thorp iuxta Ocham (plea of covenant); that Henry and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of the abbot and church of Westminster, and they rendered it to him in the court, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Matilda, to the said abbot and his successors and the said church. Consideration thirteen marks. [CP25/1/192/4/3]

116. Westminster. Two weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 6 [8 Jul. 1278]. Justices [. . .] Thomas Welond, John de Lovetot, and Roger de Leyc'.

Between [Henry/Hugh] prior of Novo Loco extra Stanford, *quer*., and Hugh son of Hugh de Welledon and Joan his wife, *imped*.; of four messuages, one mill, one toft, six and a half virgates and eight and a half acres of land, and eight shillings of rent, with [appurtenances], in Parva Casterton; that Hugh and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of the prior and his church as that which the prior and church had by their gift; to have and to hold to the prior and the church of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and for this the prior granted, for himself, his successors and his church, [. . .] will render to Hugh each year, for the life of Hugh, twenty shillings at the four terms of Michaelmas, Christmas, Easter, and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and to Joan each year, [for the life] of Joan, 46*s*. 8*d*. at the four terms *viz*. at Michaelmas 10*s*., at Christmas 10*s*., at the feast of St. Mary the Virgin in March 16*s*. 8*d*., and at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 10*s*., [. . .] to Hugh and Joan, each day for their lives, four convent loaves each weighing 50 shillings, one loaf of servants' bread, four gallons of superior convent ale and one gallon of servants' ale, and four kitchen dishes (*fercula coquine*), namely two of great meat (*gross carne*) or fish, as the time dictates, and two other dishes such as are given to the canons as a pittance as much as for two canons, and they will have a place built within the *curia* to the east of the church where they will live, to hold with the wall and enclosure, with free access to the church for the daily services, and to the cellar and kitchen to collect their food and drink, and they are also have for the lives, hay, fodder, and herbage sufficient for one horse and one cow, and two *ligna* (loads of wood?) price two shillings, and *decies cent'* (a hundredweight of?) turves, and ten quarters of charcoal, four pounds of tallow (*cepi*) and *honestas* wax candles at the feast of the Purification, and sustenance for their two sons from the time they are seven years old until they are eighteen, and if they then wish to enter the church they will do so, but if they do not they will have a house elsewhere; if Hugh dies within Joan's lifetime then the annuity of 20*s*. will cease, and if Joan dies within Hugh's lifetime then the annuity of 46*s*. 8*d*. and half the maintenance and the feed for the cow will cease, and after the deaths of both of them the prior and church will be quit of all the payments of cash and maintenance except for the maintenance of the two boys; and further the prior and church will render to Richard son of Walter de Parva Casterton, for his life, 15*s*. a year at the four terms, and to Cecily wife of the said Richard, for her life, 15*s*. a year at the four terms, and each day for their lives [. . .] convent loaves, two gallons of convent ale, four kitchen dishes, namely two of great meat or fish, as the time dictates, and two other dishes such as are given to the canons as a pittance, and forage and herbage sufficient for one cow, and free habitation in the said place for their lives, and if Richard dies during Cecily's life then half the cash and maintenance will cease, and likewise if Cecily dies during Richard's life.

Endorsed: Thomas de Nevill put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/4/4]

117. Lincoln. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 9 [13 Oct. 1281]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Master Thomas de Sudinton.

Between Thomas de Boclaund, *quer*., and William Gynes and Christine his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Ocham (warranty of charter); that William and Christina recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs, of William and Christine and the heirs of Christine, rendering annually one rose at the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions; with warranty by William and Christine, and the heirs of Christine, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/6]

118. Westminster. Morrow of All Souls, anno 9 [3 Nov. 1281]. Justices Thomas Welond, John de Lovetot, Roger de Leyc', and William de [Bouretton].

Between Nicholas de Cyffrewast, *quer*., and Thomas de Clare (by Stephen de Slatton), *imped*.; of the manor of Cotesemor, with the appurtenances (warranty of charter); that Thomas recognized the manor to be the right of Nicholas, as that which Nicholas had by his gift; to have and to hold to Nicholas and his heirs, of Thomas and his heirs, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs, to Nicholas and his heirs. Consideration three hundred marks.

Endorsed: William de Bello Campo, earl of Warwick, put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/4/5]

119. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 10 [26 Apr. 1282]. Justices Thomas Welond, John de Lovetot, Roger de Leyc', and William de Buruton.

Between John de Burgle and Sibyl his wife, *quer*., and Ralph de Whytewell, chaplain (by John de Audeham), *imped*.; of one messuage, sixty-six acres of land, six acres of meadow, and thirty-two pence of rent, with the appurtenances, in Whytewell; that Ralph recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which John and Sibyl had by his gift; and for this, John and Sibyl granted it to Ralph, to have and to hold to Ralph for his life, of John and Sibyl and the heirs of John, rendering annually 6*s*. 8*d*. at two terms, *viz*. half at Michaelmas and half at Easter, for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after the death of Ralph, the holding will revert entire to John and Sibyl and the heirs of John, quit of the heirs of Ralph.

Endorsed: William Thaillard puts in his claim. [CP25/1/192/4/7]

120. Shrewsbury. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 11 [25 Jun. 1283]. Justices Thomas Welond, John de Lovetot, Roger de Leycestr', and William de Burnton.

Between Simon de Elesworth (by William de Kirkeby), *quer*., and [William] de Sancto Johanne (by William de Tychesheye), *deforc*.; of one virgate of land and three [. . .], with the appurtenances, in Hameledon (plea of covenant);

that William recognized the holding to be the right of Simon and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Simon and his heirs of [William] and his heirs, rendering annually one pound of cumin at the feast of St. Peter ad Vincula for all services, customs, [. . .], and rendering to the chief lord the customary services; with warranty by William and his heirs, to Simon [. . .]. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/8]

121. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 12 [7 May 1284]. Justices Thomas de Welaund, John de Lovetot, Roger de Leycestr', and William de Brumpton.

Between John de Burgle, *quer*., and John de Stratton and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and nine acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Wytewelle (warranty of charter); that John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of John de Burley as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to John de Burgley and his heirs. Consideration nine marks. [CP25/1/192/4/9]

122. Northampton. Morrow of All Souls, anno 13 [3 Nov. 1284]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Nicholas le Gras.

Between Stephen de Sutton, 'Arch'[deacon?] of Northamton (by John le Poer), *quer*., and Philip de Paunton, *imped*.; of one messuage, sixteen and a half virgates of land, one hundred and sixty acres of meadow, twenty acres of pasture, and 18*s*. 4*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Wyssinden (warranty of charter); that Philip recognized the holding to be the right of Stephen as that which he had by gift of Philip; and for this, Stephen granted the holding to Philip and Agnes his wife; to have and to hold to Philip and Agnes and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and if it happens that Philip and Agnes die without issue between them, then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to the right heirs of Philip. [CP25/1/192/4/10]

123. Northampton. Morrow of All Souls, anno 13 [3 Nov. 1284]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Nicholas le Grass.

Between Aubrey de Wytlebyre and Margery his wife, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Appelby, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one mill, one carucate and thirteen and a half virgates of land, ten acres of meadow, thirty-two pence and one pound of cumin rent, with the appurtenances, in Wyssinden (plea of covenant); that Geoffrey recognized the holding, *viz.* all that which Aubrey and Margery previously held of the said Geoffrey [for the lives of] Aubrey and Margery by grant of the said Geoffrey, to be the right of Aubrey; to have and to hold to Aubrey and Margery and the heirs of Aubrey, of Geoffrey and his heirs, rendering annually 100*s*. where previously they used to render twenty-four pounds of [pepper] at four terms, *viz*. at Michaelmas 25*s*., at Christmas 25*s*., Easter 25*s*., and at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 25*s*., for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Geoffrey and his heirs, to Aubrey and Margery and the heirs of Aubrey. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/11]

124. Oakham. Morrow of Epiphany, anno [14] [7 Jan. 1286]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Nicholas le Gras.

Between Walter son of Laurence le Gardinar' of Exton, *quer*., and Laurence le Gardinar' of Exton, *imped*.; of [one messuage] . . . twenty-three and a half acres of land and three shillings and one pound of cumin rent, with the appurtenances, in Exton (warranty of charter); that Laurence recognized the holding to be the right of Walter as that which he had by gift [of Laurence] and for this Walter granted it to Laurence; to have and to hold to Laurence for his life, of Walter and his issue, rendering annually half a mark at two terms, paying half at Easter and [the other half at] Michaelmas, for all services, suit of court, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Walter and his issue for the life of Laurence; and after the death of Laurence the holding will revert entire to Walter and his issue, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Walter dies without issue then after his death the holding will remain entire to the next heirs of Laurence, quit of other heirs of Walter. [CP25/1/192/4/12]

125. Oakham. Morrow of Epiphany, anno 14 [7 Jan. 1286]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Nicholas le Gras.

Between Thomas de Bokelaund, *quer*., and Aymer de Parco, *imped*.; of eight messuages, eight virgates of land, and eighteen shillings rent, with the appurtenances, in Manton (warranty of charter); Aymer recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which Thomas had by his gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee, for the customary services; with warranty by Aymer and his heirs to Thomas and his heirs; and for this Thomas granted, for himself and his heirs, that he will render to Aymer and his heirs one hundred shillings annually, at Manton, at two terms, half at Easter and half at Michaelmas, and Aymer has the right to distrain for the rent on Thomas's chattels to recover unpaid rent. Further, Thomas gave Aymer twenty marks.

Endorsed: William de Bello Campo, earl of Warwick, puts in his claim. [CP25/1/192/4/14]

126. Oakham. Morrow of Epiphany, anno 14 [7 Jan. 1286]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Nicholas le Gras.

Between John de Hotot and Sarah his wife, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Fontibus and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of twenty-eight shillings of rent and a third part of one messuage and two virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Gunthorp, Martinthorp, and Exton (plea of covenant); that Geoffrey and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of Sarah and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margery, to John and Sarah and the heirs of Sarah. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/4/15]

127. Oakham. Morrow of Hilary, anno 14 [14 Jan. 1286]. Justices itinerant John de Vallibus, William de Saham, Roger Loveday, John de Metingham, and Nicholas le Gras.

Between Nicholas de Bryningherst and Emma his wife, and John de Beyvill and Isabel his wife, *pet*., and Peter le Venur, *ten*.; of two messuages and two virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Belton and between the same Nicholas and Emma and John and Isabel, *pet*., and the same Peter, whom Hugh de Notingham and Mazera his wife called to warrant and who warranted to them, of one messuage and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Uppingham (mort d'ancestor); that the said Nicholas and Emma and John and Isabel recognized the holdings to be the right of Peter and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Emma and Isabel, to Peter and his heirs. Consideration nine marks. [CP25/1/192/4/13]

128. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 15 [12 Nov. 1286]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Burtone, Roger de Leic', and Elias de Bekingham.

Between Walter de Wyndelesore and Sabina his wife, *quer*., and Richard de Pikeworth, *deforc*.; of one mill and one virgate and a half of land, with the appurtenances, in Pikeworth (plea of covenant); that Richard recognized the holding to be the right of Walter and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Walter and Sabina and the heirs of Walter, of Richard and his heirs, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Richard and his heirs, to Walter and Sabina and the heirs of Walter. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/16]

129. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 16 [20 Jan. 1288]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Brumton, Roger de Leyc', and Elias de Bekingham.

Between Nicholas de Burton and Cecily his wife, *quer*., and Roger de Offinton and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of forty-one acres of land, four acres of meadow, and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Tekencote and Staunford (plea of covenant); that Roger and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of Cecily and rendered it to her in the same court, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to Nicholas and Cecily and the heirs of Cecily. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/18]

130. Westminster. Morrow of the Purification, anno 16 [3 Feb. 1288]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Brunton', Roger de Leicestre, and Elias de Bekingham.

Between Brice le Deneys and Isabel his wife, *quer*., and Nicholas de Burton and Cecily his wife, *deforc*.; of sixty-four acres of land, eight acres of meadow, and two parts of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Tykencote (plea of covenant); that Nicholas and Cecily recognized the holding to be the right of Brice as that which Brice and Isabel had by gift of Nicholas and Cecily; to have and to hold to Brice and Isabel of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Nicholas and Cecily, and the heirs of Cecily, to Brice and Isabel and the heirs of Brice. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/17]

131. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 16 [6 Jun. 1288]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Buruton, and Roger de Leycestre.

Between Milicent de Monte Alto, *quer*., and Sibyl Lovet and Joan her sister, *deforc*.; of one messuage and one toft, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (plea of convenant); that Sibyl and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of Milicent and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of each of them, to Milicent and her heirs; and Sibyl and Joan also remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of each of them, to Milicent and her heirs all right and claim which they had in all the lands and holdings which were of Simon Lovet in the said vill. [CP25/1/192/4/20]

132. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 16 [1 Jul. 1288]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Burnton, and Roger de Leyc'.

Between William son of Henry de la Venele, *quer*., and Henry de la Venele, *deforc*.; of one messuage, seventeen acres of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Morcote (plea of covenant); that Henry recognized the holding to be the right of William and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and for this William granted, for himself and his heirs, that he will render each year to Henry, for the life of Henry, two quarters of wheat, two quarters of rye, and two quarters of barley, at two annual terms, *viz*. half at Christmas and half at Easter; and after the death of Henry, William and his heirs will be quit of the payment of the said corn. [CP25/1/192/4/19]

133. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 16 [1 Jul. 1288]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Brunton, and Roger de Leycestre.

Between Robert de Sculthorp, *quer*., and Robert le Escryvenir of Sculthorp, *deforc*.; of one messuage and three bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that Rober le Escrivenir recognized the holding to be the right of Robert de Sculthorp as that which he had by his gift, and Robert de Sculthorp granted it to Robert le Escrivenir; to have and to hold to Robert de Escryveyn for his life, of Robert de Sculthorp and his heirs, rendering annually eight shillings at two terms, half at Michaelmas and half at Easter, for all services, customs, and exactions; with warranty by Robert de Sculthorp and his heirs to Robert le Escryvenir for his life; and after the death of Robert le Excryvenir, the holding will revert entire to Robert de Sculthorp and his heirs, quit of the heirs of Robert le Escryvenir. *Endorsed:* James de Sculthorp puts in his claim. [CP25/1/192/4/21]

134. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 16 [12 Nov. 1288]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Brunton, Roger de Leycestre, and Elias de Bekingham.

Between Aubrey de Wytelebury and Margery his wife, *quer*., and Geoffrey de Appelby, *deforc*.; of eight messuages, four tofts, seven virgates of land, ten acres of meadow, and a third part of one mill, with the appurtenances, in Wyssendene, which Aubrey and Margery had by grant of Isabel who was the wife of James de Appelby of the inheritance of Geoffrey (plea of convenant); that Geoffrey recognized the holding to be the right of Aubrey; to have and to hold to Aubrey and Margery and the heirs of Aubrey, of Geoffrey and his heirs; and further Geoffrey granted, for himself and his heirs, that one messuage, one mill, one carucate and thirteen and half virgates of land, ten acres of meadow, thirty-two pence and one pound of cumin rent, with the appurtenances, which Aubrey and Margery previously held of Geoffrey for the service of 100*s*. a year in the said vill, will be held by Aubrey and Margery and the heirs of Aubrey quit of the said rent; and they will render each year to Geoffrey and his heirs, for this and the aforesaid holding, sixpence at Michaelmas for all services, customs, and exactions, rendering to the chief lord the customary services; with warranty by Geoffrey and his heirs, to Aubrey and Margery and the heirs of Aubrey. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/22]

135. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 17 [12 Jun. 1289]. Justices Thomas de Weylaund, John de Lovetot, William de Burnton, Roger de Leyc', and Elias de Bekingham.

Between Robert son of Henry Waytsthathe and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Thomas son of Roger de Kilpesham of Northluffinham, *imped*.; of one messuage and twenty-one acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffinham (warranty of charter); that Thomas recognized the holding to be the right of Robert as that which Robert and Alice had by his gift; to have and to hold to Robert and Alice and the heirs of Robert, of Thomas and his heirs, rendering annually one penny at Easter for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs, to Robert and Alice and the heirs of Robert. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/23]

136. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 18 [30 Apr. 1290]. Justices John de Metyngham, Robert de Hereford, Elias de Bekyngham, William de Giselham, and Master Robert de Thorp.

Between John de Glasdon and Emma his wife, *quer*., and William de Arderne and Agnes his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and six acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (warranty of charter); that William and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which John and Emma had by gift of William and Agnes; to have and to hold to John and Emma and the heirs of John, of William and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes, rendering annually one rose at the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by William and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to John and Emma, and the heirs of John. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/24]

137. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 18 [1 Jul. 1290]. Justices John de Metyngham, Robert de Hertford, Elias de Bekyngham, William de Giselham, and Master Robert de Thorp.

Between Alan de Brokedisshe, *quer*., and Ralph Maline, *imped*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Rydelington (warranty of charter); that Ralph recognized the messuage to be the right of Alan as that which Alan had by gift of Ralph; to have and to hold to Alan and his heirs, of Ralph and his heirs, rendering annually one rose at the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Ralph and his heirs, to Alan and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/25]

138. Westminster. Morrow of All Souls, anno 18 [3 Nov. 1290]. Justices John de Metyngham, Robert de Hertford, Elias de Bekyngham, William de Giselham, and Master Robert de Thorp.

Between Robert Cosyn, *quer*., and Hugh son of Lambert de Busse, *deforc*.; of two parts of the manor of Thystelton, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Hugh recognized the two parts, together with the homage and services of Adam le Clerk, Reginald de Thystelton, Thomas le Blund, Reginald le Foghelere, Nicholas Byweston, Petronilla le Chaumberlain, Andrew parson of the church of Thistelton, Alice le Foghelere, and Thomas son of Adel, and their successors in the holdings, which Hugh previously held in the said vill, and also the homage and services of Michael le Clerk and Agnes his wife, John son of Robert de Aylesfeld and Alice his wife, Thomas de Bylesfeld and Cecily his wife, and the heirs of Agnes, Alice, and Cecily, for holdings which Hugh previously held in the said vill, to be the right of Robert, and rendered them to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert and his heirs, of Hugh and his heirs, rendering annually £20 at four terms, *viz*. £5 at each of Michaelmas, Christmas, Easter, and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and further Hugh granted, for himself and his heirs, that the third part of the said manor which John Daubeny and Elizabeth his wife hold in dower of the said Elizabeth of the inheritance of Hugh, and which after the death of Elizabeth ought to revert to Hugh and his heirs, after the death of Elizabeth will revert entire to Robert and his heirs, to hold together with the aforesaid two parts of the manor. Consideration a sore sparrowhawk. The fine was made in the presence of the said Adam, Reginald, Thomas, Reginald, Nicholas, Petronilla, Andrew, Alice, Thomas, Michael, Agnes, John, Alice, Thomas, Cecily, John, and Elizabeth and they did fealty to Robert in the court. [CP25/1/192/4/26]

139. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 19 [20 Jan. 1291]. Justices John de Metyngham, Robert de Hertford, Elias de Bekyngham, William de Giselham, and Master Robert de Thorp.

Between Master Henry de Nassington, *quer*., and Walter de Wyndesore and Sabina his wife, *deforc*.; of one mill and one and a half virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Pykeworth (plea of covenant); that Walter and Sabina recognized the holding to be the right of Henry and they rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Henry and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Walter and Sabina, and the heirs of Sabina, to Henry and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/27]

140. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 20 [15 Jun. 1292]. Justices John de Metyngham, Robert de Hertford, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, and William de Giselham.
Between William de Ocham, clerk, *quer*., and Thomas le Feure of Barlyngthorp and Mabel his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, nine acres and one rood and a half of land, and a half-acre of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Barlyngthorp iuxta Ocham (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Mabel recognized the holding to be the right of William and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Thomas and Mabel, and the heirs of Mabel, to William and his heirs. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/4/28]

141. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 21 [1 Jul. 1293]. Justices John de Metyngham, Robert de Hertford, Elias de Bekyngham, and Peter Malorre.
Between William son of John de Wakerle, *quer*., and Henry de Wakerle and Helen his wife, *imped*.; of one hundred shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (warranty of charter); that Henry and Helen recognized the rent to be the right of William as that which William had by their gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Henry and Helen, and the heirs of Helen, to William and his heirs. Consideration £40. [CP25/1/192/4/29]

142. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 25 [25 Nov. 1296]. Justices John de Metyngham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, and Peter Malorre.
Between Thomas de Buklonde, *quer*., and Reginald Toky and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Maneton (warranty of charter); that Reginald and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Reginald and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/4/31]

143. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 25 [1 Jul. 1297]. Justices John de Metingham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, and Peter Malorre.
Between Thomas son of Robert de Nevill, *quer*., and Henry Whythend and Alice his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, twenty-four and a half acres of land, and one acre and three roods of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Druyesstok (warranty of charter); that Henry and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Henry and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/4/30]

144. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 26 [20 Apr. 1298]. Justices John de Metyngham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, and William Howard.
Between John de Harinton, *quer*., and Philip de Paunton, *deforc*.; of the manor of Glaceton, with the appurtenances, which Isabel who was the wife of James de Paunton holds in dower (plea of covenant); that Philip recognized the manor to be the right of John, and granted for himself and his heirs that the manor, which Isabel holds in dower of his inheritance and which after her death ought to revert to Philip and his heirs, after Isabel's death will revert to John and his heirs; to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Philip and his heirs to John and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. The fine was made in the presence of Isabel who did fealty to John in the court. [CP25/1/192/4/33]

145. York. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 26 [13 Oct. 1298]. Justices John de Metyngham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, and William Howard.
Between Isabel who was the wife of James de Paunton (by William de Welleby), *quer*., and Walter de Gloucestr' and Hawise his wife, *imped*.; of two virgates of land and two parts of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Manton (warranty of charter); that Walter and Hawise recognized the holding to be the right of Isabel as that which Isabel had by their gift; to have and to hold to Isabel and her heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Walter and Hawise, and the heirs of Hawise, to Isabel and her heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/4/32]

146. York. One week from Michaelmas, anno 27 [6 Oct. 1299]. Justices John de Metingham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, and William Howard.
Between Hugh de Bradewell and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Henry son of Robert le Claver of Broke and Matilda his wife, *imped*.; of fourteen acres of land, one acre of meadow, and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Braunston (warranty of charter); that Henry and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Hugh as that which Hugh and Alice had by their gift; to have and to hold to Hugh and Alice, and the heirs of Hugh, of the chief lord of the

fee for the customary services; with warranty by Henry and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to Hugh and Alice and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/4/34]

147. York. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 28 [13 Oct. 1300]. Justices John de Metyngham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikingham.

Between Alexander son of Peter de Wakerle, *quer*., and Peter de Wakerle, *imped*.; of one messuage, one carucate of land, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffenham and Northluffenham (warranty of charter); that Peter recognized the holding to be the right of Alexander as that which Alexander had by his gift; to have and to hold to Alexander and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Peter and his heirs, to Alexander and his heirs. Consideration fifty marks. [CP25/1/192/4/35]

148. York. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 29 [12 Nov. 1300]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikingham.

Between Hugh de Bradewelle and Alice his wife (by John Maucourneys), *quer*., and Henry de Wakerle and Helen his wife (by Richard de Emphugh), *deforc*.; of one messuage and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (plea of covenant); that Henry and Helen recognized the holding to be the right of Hugh as that which Hugh and Alice had by their gift; to have and to hold to Hugh and Alice, and the heirs of Hugh, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Henry and Helen, and the heirs of Helen, to Hugh and Alice and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/4/37]

149. York. Three weeks from Easter, anno 29 [23 Apr. 1301]. Justices John de Metyngham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekingham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikyngham.

Between Hugh de Bradewell and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Henry de Wakerle and Helen his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages, one virgate and two acres of land, and 17*s*. 1*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (plea of covenant); that Henry and Helen recognized the holding to be the right of Hugh as that which Hugh and Alice had by their gift; to have and to hold to Hugh and Alice, and the heirs of Hugh, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Henry and Helen, and the heirs of Helen, to Hugh and Alice and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/4/36]

150. York. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 31 [1 Jul. 1303]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikyngham.

Between John de Nevill, *quer*., and Thomas son of Hasculph de Nevill, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one hundred and eighty acres of land, seven acres of meadow, two acres of pasture, and twelve acres of wood, with the appurtenances, in Dryestok iuxta Lydington (plea of covenant); that Thomas recognized the holding to be the right of John and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs, to John and his heirs. Consideration £100.

Endorsed: John son of Stephen de Nevill put in his claim. John [Dalderby] bishop of Lincoln put in his claim. Theobald de Neville put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/4/38]

151. York. One week from St. Martin, anno 31 [18 Nov. 1303]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikyngham.

Between Reginald son of Hugh le Keu of Braunston, *quer*., and Reginald Toky and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and one virgate and a half of land, with the appurtenances, in Manton (plea of covenant); that Reginald and Alice recognized the land to be the right of Reginald as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Reginald and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Reginald and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Reginald and his heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/4/39]

152. York. One week from St. Martin, anno 32 [18 Nov. 1304]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekingham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikingham.

Between William de Langeton, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, *quer*., and Thomas de Nevill, *imped*., of one messuage, one hundred and eighty acres of land, seven acres of meadow, two acres of pasture, twelve acres of wood, and 32*s*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Dreystok (warranty of charter); that Thomas recognized the holding to be the right of the bishop as that which he had by Thomas's gift; to have and to hold to the bishop and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs, to the bishop and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/4/40]

153. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 33 [2 May 1305]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trykingham.

Between Philip de Esteneye, *quer*., and Walter de Drayton and Agnes his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Rydelynton (warranty of charter); that Walter and Agnes recognized the messuage to be the right of Philip as that which Philip had by their gift; to have and to hold to Philip and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Walter and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Philip and his heirs. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/4/41]

154. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 33 [2 May 1305]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekingham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikingham.

Between Walter de Langeton, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, *quer*., and Theobald de Nevill, *deforc*.; of the manors of Branceston and Dryestok and of fifteen acres of wood, with the appurtenances, in Uppingham (plea of covenant); that Theobald recognized the holdings to be the right of the bishop and remitted and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs to the bishop and his heirs. Consideration £100. [CP25/1/192/4/42]

155. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 33 [2 May 1305]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekingham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikingham.

Between Walter de Langeton, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, *quer*., and John son of Stephen de Nevill, *deforc*.; of the manors of Branceston and Drystok and of fifteen acres of wood, with the appurtenances, in Uppingham (plea of covenant); that John recognized the holdings to be the right of the bishop and remitted and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs to the bishop and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/4/43]

156. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 34 [1 May 1306]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, and Lambert de Trikyngham.

Between Oliver de Suthon, *quer*., and John de Haryngton (by William de Foletteby), *deforc*.; of the manor of Glaston, with the appurtenances, which Isabel who was the wife of James de Paunton holds in dower (plea of covenant); that John recognized the manor to be the right of Oliver and granted for himself and his heirs that the said manor, which Isabel holds in dower of the inheritance of John and after Isabel's death ought to revert to John and his heirs, [. . . after the death of] Isabel will remain to Oliver and his heirs, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and his heirs to Oliver and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. This agreement was made in the presence of Isabel who did fealty to Oliver in the same court. [CP25/1/192/4/44]

157. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 34 [5 Jun. 1306]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, Elias de Bekyngham, Peter Malorre, William Howard, Lambert de Trikyngham, and Hervey de Stanton.

Between John de Haryngton and Margery his wife (by William de Foletteby), *quer*., and Oliver de Sutton, *deforc*.; of the manor of Glaston, with the appurtenances, which Isabel who was the wife of James de Paunton holds in dower (plea of covenant); that Oliver recognized the manor to be the right of John and granted for himself and his heirs that the manor, which Isabel holds in dower of the inheritance of Oliver and after Isabel's death ought to revert to Oliver and his heirs, after Isabel's death will remain to John and Margery and their issue, to hold of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Oliver and his heirs to them and their heirs; and if it happens that John dies without issue by Margery then after their deaths the manor will remain to the right heirs of John. Consideration one hundred marks. And this agreement was made in the presence of Isabel who did fealty to John and Margery in the same court. [CP25/1/192/4/45]

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158. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno [1][1] [9 Feb. 1308]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, William Howard, Peter Malorre, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton.

Between Hasculph de Wytewell and Matilda his wife, *quer*., and Roger de Pedewardyn and Alice his wife (by . . .), *deforc*.; of one messuage, two carucates of land, eighteen acres of meadow, and one hundred shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Ketene (plea of covenant); that Hasculph recognized the holding to be the right of Alice, and for this Roger and Alice granted it to Hasculph and Matilda, with the appurtenances, as in the homage and services of free men and villeins and the issue of the villeins, meadows, pastures, rents, reliefs, escheats, and all other things which pertain to the holding, and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Hasculph and Matilda and their issue, of Roger and Alice and the heirs of Alice, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Roger and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Hasculph and Matilda and his said heirs; and if it happens that Hasculph dies without issue by Matilda then after their deaths it will revert entire to Roger and Alice and the heirs of Alice, quit of other heirs of Hasculph and Matilda. [CP25/1/192/5/31]

159. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 1 [16 Jun. 1308]. Justices Ralph de Hengham, William de Bereford, William Howard, Lambert de Trikingham, and Hervey de Stanton.

Between Roger de Marketoverton, clerk, *quer*., and Robert Freman of Overton, *deforc*.; of one messuage, sixteen acres of land, one acre of meadow, and eight pence rent, with the appurtenances, in Marketoverton (plea of covenant); that Robert recognized the holding to be the right of Roger as that which Roger had by his gift; and for this Roger granted it to Robert and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert for his life, of Roger and his heirs, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions and rendering to the chief lords of the fee the customary services; and after Robert's death it will revert entire to Roger and his heirs, quit of the heirs of Robert. [CP25/1/192/5/1]

[1] The regnal year is indistinct. This fine appears among those for the fourteenth year and this suggestion was followed by the writer of the *VCH* article; but nevertheless the year appears to be *primo*, and the justices confirm a year much earlier than the fourteenth as Malory last appears in 1306, apart from this fine, and Hengham and Howard in 1308.

160. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 4 [6 Oct. 1310]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.
Between Roger de Marketoverton clerk, *quer*., and Robert le Freman of Overton, *deforc*.; of twenty-nine acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Marketoverton (plea of covenant); that Robert recognized the land to be the right of Roger as that which Roger had by his gift; and for this, Roger granted it to Robert and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert for his life, of Roger and his heirs, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after Robert's death the land will revert entire to Roger and his heirs, quit of the heirs of Robert. [CP25/1/192/5/2]

161. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 4 [6 Oct. 1310]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.
Between Hugh le Clerk of Ocham and Amicia his wife, *quer*., and Stephen de Saham and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of five acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Ocham (plea of covenant); that Stephen and Matilda recognized the land to be the right of Hugh as that which Hugh and Amicia had by gift of Stephen and Matilda; to have and to hold to Hugh and Amicia, and the heirs of Hugh, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Stephen and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to Hugh and Amicia and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/5/3]

162. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 4 [25 Apr. 1311]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.
Between Hugh de Bradewell and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Henry le Claver of Brock and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of six acres and one rood of land, a half-acre of meadow, and a quarter part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Braundeston (plea of covenant); that Henry and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Hugh and rendered it to Hugh and Alice in the same court; to have and to hold to Hugh and Alice, and the heirs of Hugh, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Henry and Matilda, and the heirs of Henry, to Hugh and Alice, and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/5/4]

163. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 5 [25 Nov. 1311]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.
Between William de la Croys of Empyngham, *quer*., and Brice le Daneys and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Tykencote, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Brice and Joan recognized the manor to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift; and for this William granted the manor to Brice and Joan and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Brice and Joan and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Brice dies without issue by Joan, then after their deaths the manor will revert entire to the right heirs of Brice. [CP25/1/192/5/5]

164. Westminster. Two weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 5 [8 Jul. 1312]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.
Between William de Clyve, clerk, *quer*., and Benedict de Cokefeld and Amicia his wife, *imped*.; of fifteen messuages, twenty-one acres of meadow, fifteen shillings of rent, one hundred and sixty acres one rood and a half-acre of land, with the appurtenances, in Berudon (warranty of charter); that Benedict and Amicia recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Benedict and Amicia, and the heirs of Benedict, to William and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/5/6]

165. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 6 [6 Oct. 1312]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.
Between Roger de Morewode and Joan his wife (by Roger), *quer*., and John de Nevill of Stokes, *deforc*.; of the manor of Dristoke, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Roger recognized the manor to be the right of John, and for this John granted the manor to Roger and Joan and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Roger and Joan and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and his heirs, to Roger and Joan and their said heirs; and if it happens that Roger dies without issue by Joan, then after their deaths the manor will revert entire to John and his heirs, quit of other heirs of Roger and Joan. [CP25/1/192/5/7]

166. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno [6] [20 Jan. 1313]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, and William Inge.
Between Nicholas de Segrave and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Walter, vicar of the church of Burghle, *deforc*.; of the manor of Burghle, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Nicholas and Alice recognized the manor, except four messuages and one bovate and twenty acres of land within the manor, to be the right of Walter as that which he had by their gift; and for this Walter granted the manor to Nicholas and Alice and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Nicholas and Alice and their male issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Nicholas dies without male issue by Alice, then after their deaths the manor will revert to John, son of the said Alice, and his issue; and if it happens that John dies without issue, then after his death the manor will remain to the right heirs of Alice. [CP25/1/192/5/8]

167. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 6 [20 Jan. 1313]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.

Between Hugh de Braundeston and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Hugh de Wynelyngham, *deforc*.; of three messuages, five virgates of land, twelve acres of meadow, and thirty-six shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Braundeston (plea of covenant); that Hugh de Braundeston recognized the holding to be the right of Hugh de Wynelyngham as that which he had by his gift; and for this, Hugh de Wynelyngham granted it to Hugh de Braundeston and Alice, and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Hugh and Alice of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, for their lives, and after their deaths it will remain entire to Hugh son of Hugh de Braundeston and his issue; and it it happens that the said Hugh son of Hugh dies without issue, then after his death it will remain to the right heirs of Hugh de Braundeston. [CP25/1/192/5/9]

168. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 6 [20 Jan. 1313]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, and William Inge.

Between John de Bella Fago and Elizabeth his wife (by John), *quer*., and William de Bella Fago, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one hundred and sixty acres of land, eighteen acres of meadow, and eight marks of rent, with the appurtenances, in Sayton (plea of covenant); that William recognized the holding to be the right of John and rendered it to John and Elizabeth in the same court; to have and to hold to them, and the heirs of John, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. [CP25/1/192/5/11]

169. Westminster. Two weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 6 [8 Jul. 1313]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, Hervey de Stanton, John de Benstede, and Henry le Scrop.

Between Simon son of Robert de Ketlisthorp of Ketene, *quer*., and John de Ryppelee and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of one messauge, three and a half acres of land and half of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Ketene (plea of covenant); that John and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Simon as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Simon and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Matilda, and the heirs of John, to Simon and his heirs. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/5/10]

170. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 8 [13 Oct. 1314]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, William Inge, and John Bacun.

Between Bernard de Brus and Agnes his wife, *quer*., and John de Causton, *deforc*.; of a moiety of the manor of Parva Hameldon, with the appurtenances, which Margaret Cailleway holds for her life (plea of covenant); that John recognized the moiety to be the right of Bernard and granted, for himself and his heirs, that the moiety which Margaret holds for life by grant of John and which after Margaret's death ought to revert to John and his heirs, will remain after Margaret's death to Bernard and Agnes and the heirs of Bernard; to hold of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by John and his heirs to Bernard and Agnes and the heirs of Bernard. Consideration one sore sparrowhawk. Made in the presence of Margaret who did fealty to Bernard and Agnes. [CP25/1/192/5/12]

171. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 8 [13 Oct. 1314]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, William Inge, and John Bacun.

Between John de Cottesmor, clerk, *quer*., and John son of Peter de Cottesmor, *deforc*.; of one messuage, forty-seven acres of land, two acres of meadow, and four shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmor (plea of covenant); that John son of Peter recognized the holding to be the right of John de Cottesmor as that which he had by gift of John son of Peter; to have and to hold to John de Cottesmor and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John son of Peter and his heirs, to John de Cottesmor and his heirs. Consideration sixty marks. [CP25/1/192/5/13]

172. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 8 [6 Apr. 1315]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, William Inge, and John Bacun.

Between Bartholomew de Badelesmere and Margaret his wife (by Richard de Ideshale), *quer*., and Richard de Middelton and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages, one hundred and fifty acres of land, and six shillings and half a pound of cumin rent, with the appurtenances, in Hameldon (plea of covenant); that Richard and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of Bartholomew and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to Bartholomew and Margaret and the heirs of Bartholomew; with warranty by Richard and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Bartholomew and Margaret, and the heirs of Bartholomew. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/5/14]

173. Westminster. Three weeks from Michaelmas, anno 9 [20 Oct. 1315]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, William Inge, and John Bacun.

Between Robert Aumbreys (by Robert de Luffenham), *quer*., and Robert Holdeward and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Okham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the messuage to be the right of Robert Aumbreys as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Robert Aumbreys and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Robert Aumbreys and his heirs. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/5/16]

174. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 9 [20 Jan. 1316]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikyngham, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, William Inge, and John Bacun.

Between Walter son of Adam de Gernemuth and Isabel his wife (by Thomas de Wynton'), *quer*., and John de Bures and Hawise his wife, *deforc*.; of seven messuages, one toft, and eight and a half virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in

Cottismor (plea of covenant); that John and Hawise recognized the holding to be the right of Walter and they rendered it to Walter and Isabel in the same court; to have and to hold to Walter and Isabel, and the heirs of Walter, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Hawise, and the heirs of Hawise, to Walter and Isabel and the heirs of Walter. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/5/17]

175. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 9 [25 Jun. 1316]. Justices William de Bereford, Lambert de Trikingham, John de Benstede, Henry le Scrop, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between Alan de Fraunkton, *quer*., and Richard de Casterton, *deforc*.; of the manor of Horn, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Alan recognized the manor to be the right of Richard as that which Richard had by his gift, and for this, Richard granted it to Alan and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Alan, for his life, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and after his death the manor will remain entire to Roger de Tolthorp of Deneford and Elizabeth his wife and their issue, to hold of the chief lord of the fee; and if it happens that Roger dies without issue by Elizabeth, then after their deaths the manor will remain to the right heirs of Alan. [CP25/1/192/5/15]

176. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 11 [6 Oct. 1317]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between Roger de Northburgh and Michael son of William de Northburgh, *quer*. (by Alan de Okham), and Richard Thurger and Sanchia his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages, one hundred and ten acres of land, twelve acres of meadow, and twelve shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Ketene (plea of covenant); that Richard and Sanchia granted the holding to Roger and Michael and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Roger and Michael, and the issue of Michael, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Michael dies without issue then after the deaths of Michael and Roger the holding will remain entire to Hugh, brother of Roger, and his heirs; with warranty by Richard and Sanchia, and the heirs of Sanchia, to Roger and Michael and the heirs of Michael, and to Hugh and his heirs if Michael dies without issue. Consideration £100. [CP25/1/192/5/19]

177. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 11 [6 Oct. 1317]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between William de Apethorp, *quer*., and Robert de Depyng of Staunford and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of five acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Parva Casterton (plea of covenant); that Robert and Margaret recognized the land to be the right of William and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret, to William and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/5/20]

178. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 11 [6 Oct. 1317]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between William son of William [la Zusche and] John and Roger his brothers, *quer*. (by Nicholas de Arundel, guardian of William, John, and Roger), and William la Zusche, *deforc*.; of [the manor] of Kilpesham, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that William la Zusche granted the manor to William, John, and Roger, and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William, John, and Roger, for their lives, of William la Zusche and his heirs, rendering annually to William la Zusche for his life £20, half at Michaelmas and half at Easter, and to the heirs of William la Zusche one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by William la Zusche and his heirs to William, John, and Roger; and after the deaths of William, John, and Roger, the manor will remain entire to William la Zusche and his heirs, quit of the heirs of William, John, and Roger. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/5/21]

179. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 11 [27 Oct. 1317]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between Margaret who was the wife of William de Basynges, *quer*., and John son of William Godefrey and Stephen de Oteryngeden, *deforc*.; of two parts of the manor of Empyngham, and three messuages, and three carucates of land, with the appurtenances, in Empyngham, Normantone, Horn, and Herdewyk (plea of covenant); that Margaret recognized the two parts to be the right of John as that which John and Stephen had by her gift, and for this John and Stephen granted to Margaret the two parts and rendered them to her in the same court; to have and to hold to Margaret and her issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Margaret dies without issue then after her death the two parts will remain entire to her right heirs. [CP25/1/192/5/22]

180. Westminster. One week from St. Martin, anno 11 [18 Nov. 1317]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between John son of Henry Biroun of Whitewell, *quer*., and Bernard de Brus and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of a moiety of the manor of Parva Hameldon, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Bernard and Agnes recognized the moiety to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Bernard and Agnes, and the heirs of Bernard, to John and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/5/18]

181. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 12 [6 Oct. 1318]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between John de Boyvill and Beatrice his wife (by Robert de Fenton), *quer*., and Henry de Fenton, *deforc*.; of the manor of Astonston, with the appurtenances, and the advowson of the church (plea of covenant); that John recognized the manor and advowson to be the right of Henry as that which Henry had by his gift, and for this Henry granted the manor and advowson to John and Beatrice and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Beatrice, and the heirs of John, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services. [CP25/1/192/5/24]

182. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 12 [25 Nov. 1318]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between Master Robert Bernard, *quer*., and Robert de Skulthorp, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one mill, four bovates and sixteen acres of land, eight acres of meadow, and fourteen shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Northloffenham (plea of covenant); that Robert de Skulthorp recognzed the holding to be the right of Master Robert as that which Master Robert had by his gift, and for this Master Robert granted it to Robert de Skulthorp and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert de Skulthorp for his life, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and after the death of Robert de Skulthorp the holding will remain entire to Robert son of Geoffrey de Corby and Amicia his wife, and the issue of Amicia; and if it happens that Amicia dies without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to James de Skulthorp and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/5/23]

183. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 12 [20 Jan. 1319]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between Walter son of Adam de Jernemuth and Isabel his wife (by Thomas de Wynton), *quer*., and Henry de Ruton, parson of the church of Tye, *deforc*.; of four messuages, three carucates of land, twenty acres of meadow, sixty acres of wood, and £4 10*s*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Cotesmor (plea of covenant); that Walter recognized the holding to be the right of Henry as that which Henry had by his gift, and for this Henry granted the holding to Walter and Isabel and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Walter and Isabel and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Walter and Isabel die without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to the right heirs of Walter. [CP25/1/192/5/25]

184. Westminster. Two weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 12 [8 Jul. 1319]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Benstede, John Bacun, and John de Mutford.

Between Ralph le Charpent' of Exton and Euphemia his wife and Richard their son, *quer*., and Robert de Luffewyk and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that Ralph recognized the land to be the right of Robert and for this Robert and Alice granted it to Ralph and Euphemia and Richard and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to them and the heirs of Ralph of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and his heirs, to Ralph and Euphemia and Richard and the heirs of Ralph. [CP25/1/192/5/26]

185. York. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 13 [27 Jan. 1320]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Benstede, John Bacun, John de Mutford, and John de Donecastr'.

Between Matilda daughter of Walter Clement of Brigge Casterton, *quer*., and Nicholas Clergise of Radewelle and Lucy his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Brigge Casterton (warranty of charter); that Nicholas and Lucy recognized the messuage to be the right of Matilda as that which she had by their gift; to have and to hold to Matilda and her heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Nicholas and Lucy, and the heirs of Lucy, to Matilda and her heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/5/27]

186. York. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 13 [27 Jan. 1320]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Benstede, John Bacun, John de Mutford, and John de Donecastr'.

Between Walter son of Clement de Brigge Casterton, *quer*., and Nicholas Clergis and Lucy his wife, *imped*.; of one messuage, fifteen acres and three roods of land, and a half-acre and quarter-rood of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Brigge Casterton (warranty of charter); that Nicholas and Lucy recognized the holding to be the right of Walter as that which Walter had by their gift; to have and to hold to Walter and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Nicholas and Lucy, and the heirs of Lucy, to Walter and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/5/28]

187. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 13 [8 Jun. 1320]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Benstede, John Bacun, John de Mutford, and John de Donecastre.

Beween Alured de Brocke, *quer*., and John Reynevile of Manton and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, ninety acres of land, and ten acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Manton (plea of covenant); that John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Alured as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Alured and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of John, to Alured and his heirs. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/5/29]

188. Westminster. Three weeks from Michaelmas, anno 14 [20 Oct. 1320]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Mutford, William de Herle, and John de Stonore.

Between Walter de Jernemuth and Isabel his wife, *quer*., and Robert Oldeward of Bourle and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one bovate of land and twenty-three acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Cotesmore and Alisthorp (plea of

covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of Walter as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Walter and Isabel, and the heirs of Walter, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Walter and Isabel and the heirs of Walter. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/5/30]

189. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 14 [20 Jan. 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubiry, John de Mutford, and John de Stonore.

Between Walter de Jernemuth and Isabel his wife (by Hugh de Thurleby), *quer*., and Robert Holdeware and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of twelve acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Alesthorp (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the meadow to be the right of Walter and rendered it to Walter and Isabel in the same court; to have and to hold to Walter and Isabel, and the heirs of Walter, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Walter and Isabel and the heirs of Walter. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/5/32]

190. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 14 [20 Jan. 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, Gilbert de Roubury, John de Mutford, and John de Stonore.

Between Dionisia who was the wife of Thomas de Normanvill, *quer*., and Edmund de Passeleye and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of a third part of the manor of Empyngham, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Dionisia recognized the third part to be the right of Margaret, and for this Edmund and Margaret granted the third part to Dionisia; to have and to hold to Dionisia for her life, of Edmund and Margaret and the heirs of Margaret, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after Dionisia's death the third part will revert to the said Margaret and her heirs, quit of the heirs of Dionisia. [CP25/1/192/5/33]

191. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 14 [3 May 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, and John de Stonore.

Between Bernard son of Bernard de Brus, *quer*., and Bernard son of John de Brus, *deforc*.; of one messuage, eight virgates of land, fifteen acres of meadow, and six acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmor, and of the manor of Exton, with the appurtenances, and the advowson of the chapel in the said manor, except three messuages, two virgates and two hundred and fifty-six acres of land, and six acres of meadow in the same manor (plea of covenant); that Bernard son of John recognized the holding and advowson to be the right of Bernard son of Bernard and remitted and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs; with warranty by Bernard son of John and his heirs, to Bernard son of Bernard and his heirs. Consideration £300. [CP25/1/192/5/35]

192. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 14 [29 May 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, and John de Stonore.

Between Henry le Scrop, *quer*., and John de Neville of Stok and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc*., of the manor of Parva Casterton, with [the appurtenances], and of two acres of land, and a rent of one pound of cumin, with the appurtenances, in Parva Casterton, and the advowson of the church (plea of covenant); that John and Elizabeth recognized the holding and advowson to be the right of Henry as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Henry and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Elizabeth, and the heirs of John, to Henry and his heirs. Consideration £200. [CP25/1/192/5/34]

193. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 14 [28 Jun. 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Richard de Sancto Licio and Joan his wife (by Roger de Croxton), *quer*., and Brice de Sancto Licio, parson of the church of Houby, *deforc*.; of two messuages, five carucates of land, [sixty] acres of meadow, six acres of wood, and £20 of rent, with the appurtenances, in Seyton, Morcote, Bereudeon, and Haryngworth, and the advowson of the church of Morcote (plea of covenant); that Richard recognized the holdings and advowson to be the right of Brice as that which Brice had by his gift, and for this Brice granted them to Richard and Joan and rendered them to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Richard and Joan and their issue of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; and if it happens that Richard and Joan die without issue then after their deaths the holdings and advowson will remain entire to the right heirs of Richard. [CP25/1/192/5/36]

194. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 15 [6 Oct. 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Walter de Jernemuth and Isabel his wife (by Hugh de Thurleby), *quer*., and Bernard de Brus, *imped*.; of one messuage, seven and a half virgates of land, and eighteen acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmor, Gretham, Thistelton, Overton, and Bergh (warranty of charter); that Bernard recognized the holding to be the right of Walter as that which Walter and Isabel had by his gift; to have and to hold to Walter and Isabel, and the heirs of Walter, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Bernard and his heirs, to Walter and Isabel, and the heirs of Walter. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/5/38]

195 Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 15 [13 Oct. 1321]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between John Byroun and Robert his brother, *quer*., and Robert Holdware and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one mill, seventy-six acres of land, six acres of meadow, and 2*s*. 6*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Whytewelle (plea of covenant); that John and Robert recognized the holding to be the right of Agnes, and for this Robert and Agnes granted the holding to John and Robert and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Robert for their lives, of Robert and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after the deaths of John and Robert the holding will revert entire to Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, quit of the heirs of John and Robert. [CP25/1/192/5/37]

196. York. Three weeks from Easter, anno 15 [2 May 1322]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Thomas de Grenham and Alice his wife (by John de Burgh), *quer*., and Henry de Lusseby, chaplain, *deforc*.; of the manor of Ketene, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Thomas recognized the manor to be the right of Henry as that which Henry had by his grant, and for this Henry granted it to Thomas and Alice and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Thomas and Alice and their issue, of the lord king for the customary services, and if it happens that Thomas and Alice die without issue, then after their deaths the manor will remain entire to the right heirs of Thomas. This agreement was made by the precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/5/40]

197. York. One week from Trinity, anno 15 [13 Jun. 1322]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, and John de Stonore.

Between John son of William Spire of Morcote, *quer*., and Robert Spire of Morcote, *deforc*.; of three messuages, thirty acres of land, and three acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Morcote, Berudon, Suthluffenham, and Seyton (plea of covenant); that Robert recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which John had by his gift, and for this John granted it to Robert and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert, for his life, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and after his death the holding will remain entire to Mabel daughter of Robert son of Ralph, and Matilda and Isabel, daughters of Mabel, for their lives, to hold of the chief lord for the customary services, and after their deaths it will remain entire to the right heirs of Robert. [CP25/1/192/5/39]

198. York. Morrow of the Purification, anno 16 [3 Feb. 1323]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between John Byroun, *quer*., and Robert Oldward and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one mill, seventy-six acres of land, six acres of meadow, and 2*s*. 6*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Whitewell (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of John, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to John and his heirs; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to John and his heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/5/41]

199. York. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 17 [13 Oct. 1323]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Bousser, Walter de Friskeneye, and Geoffrey le Scrop.

Between Master Robert de Baldok, archdeacon of Middlesex, *quer*., and John de Crumbewell and Idonia his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Esingden, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that John and Idonia recognized the manor to be the right of Master Robert as that which he had by their gift, and for this Master Robert granted the manor to John and Idonia and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Idonia of the lord king by the customary services, for the life of Idonia, and after her death the manor will remain entire to Hugh le Despenser the younger, for his life, and after his death it will remain to Hugh le Despenser the elder, for his life, and after his death it will remain to Edward son of Hugh le Despenser the younger and his heirs. This agreement made by the precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/5/42]

200. York. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 17 [13 Oct. 1323]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Bousser, Walter de Friskeneye, and Geoffrey le Scrop.

Between Juliana daughter of Roger Drake of Martinethorp, *quer*., and Roger Drake of Martinethorp and Helen his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and one bovate and eight acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Martinethorp (plea of covenant); that Roger and Helen recognized the holding to be the right of Juliana and rendered it to her in the same court; to have and to hold to Juliana and her heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Roger and Helen, and the heirs of Helen, to Juliana and her heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/5/43]

201. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 17 [25 Jun. 1324]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Geoffrey de la Mare and Margaret de Crumbwell (by John de Luffewyk), *quer*., and Peter de Estwyk, *deforc*.; of fourteen messuages and eleven virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that Geoffrey recognized the holding to be the right of Peter as that which he had by Geoffrey's gift, and for this Peter granted it to Geoffrey and Margaret and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Geoffrey and Margaret for their lives, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and after their deaths it will remain entire to Matilda daughter of the said Geoffrey and her issue; and if it happens that Matilda dies without issue, then after her death it will remain entire to Peter de la Mare of Walden and his male issue, and if it happens that Peter dies without male issue then after his death it will remain entire to the right heirs of Geoffrey. [CP25/1/192/5/45]

202. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 17 [1 Jul. 1324]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Robert son of William de Berugh, *quer*., and William [Hamelyn] of Ingoldesby and Mildena his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Berugh (plea of covenant); that William and Mildena recognized the holding to be the right of Robert as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Robert and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by William and Mildena, and the heirs of Mildena, to Robert and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/5/44]

203. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 18 [27 Oct. 1324]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between William de Ryhale and Sarah his wife (by John de Overton), *quer*., and Robert de Ocham, chaplain, *deforc*.; of two messuages and fourteen acres and one rood of land, with the appurtenances, in Ocham (plea of covenant); that William recognized the holding to be the right of Robert as that which Robert had by William's gift, and for this Robert granted it to William and Sarah and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Sarah, and the heirs of William, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services. [CP25/1/192/5/47]

204. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 18 [9 Jun. 1325]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser. And afterwards at York, three weeks from Easter, anno 2 Edw. III [24 Apr. 1328], it was granted and recorded in the presence of the said William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, John de [Mutford], John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between John de Cottesmor and Christine his wife (by Henry de Morton), *quer*., and Robert Holdward and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages and one hundred and seventy acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Alsthorp (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of John, of which John and Christine had two messuages and one hundred and [thirty] acres of land by the gift of Robert and Agnes; to have and to hold to John and Christine, and the heirs of John, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and further Robert and Agnes granted, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, that forty acres of land which Thomas [. . .] and Mabel his wife hold in Mabel's dower of the inheritance of Agnes in the said vill and which ought to revert to Robert and Agnes and the heirs of Agnes on Mabel's death, will after her death remain to John and Christine and the heirs of John, to hold together with the said holding; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to John and Christine and the heirs of John. Consideration one hundred marks. Made in the presence of the said Thomas and Mabel who did fealty to John and Christine. [CP25/1/192/5/46]

205. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 18 [25 Jun. 1325]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Robert son of William de Helewelle and Eve his wife, *quer*., and William de Helewelle, *deforc*.; of the manor of Wyssenden, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Robert recognized the manor to be the right of William as that which William had by his gift, and for this William granted it to Robert and Eve and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert and Eve and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Robert and Eve die without issue then after their deaths the manor will remain entire to Robert son of the same Robert and his male issue; and if it happens that Robert son of Robert dies without male issue then after his death it will remain entire to John brother of the said Robert son of Robert and his male issue; and if it happens that John dies without male issue then it will remain entire to the right heirs of Robert son of William. [CP25/1/192/5/48]

206. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 19 [6 Oct. 1325]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Bernard son of Bernard de Brus and Matilda his wife, *quer*., (by Alexander de Hadenham guardian of Bernard and Matilda), and Bernard de Brus, *deforc*.; of a third part of the manor of Exton, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Bernard de Brus granted to Bernard son of Bernard and Matilda the said third part and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Bernard and Matilda and their issue of the lord king as of the honour of Huntyngdon by the customary services; and if it happens that Bernard and Matilda die without issue then after their deaths it will remain entire to the said Bernard de Brus and his heirs, quit of other heirs of Bernard and Matilda. Consideration £20. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/5/49]

207. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 19 [6 Oct. 1325]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Bernard de Brus, *quer*., and Robert de Brus, clerk, *deforc*.; of two parts of the manor of Exton, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Bernard recognized the manor to be the right of Robert as that which Robert had by his gift, and for this Robert granted the two parts to Bernard and rendered them to him in the same court; to have and to hold [to Bernard] of the lord king as of the honour of Huntyngdon by the customary services; and after Bernard's death the two parts will remain to Bernard son of Bernard de Brus and Matilda his wife and their issue; and if it happens that Bernard and Matilda die without issue, then after their deaths it will remain entire to the [right] heirs of Bernard de Brus. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/5/50]

208. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 19 [25 May 1326]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Walter Poul and Juliana his wife, *quer*., and William Freman of Edyweston and Agnes his wife, John de Wympton of Wyssendene and Emma his wife, and Henry Oliver of Okham and Amicia his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and eighty acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Barlythorp iuxta Okham (plea of covenant); that William and Agnes, John and Emma, and Henry and Amicia recognized the holding to be the right of Walter and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, Emma, and Amicia, to Walter and Juliana and the heirs of Walter. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/5/52]

209. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 19 [1 Jun. 1326]. William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Alured de Brok, *quer*., and Robert de Luffewyk and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, ninety acres of land, and ten acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Manton (plea of covenant); that Robert and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Alured as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Alured and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Alured and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/5/51]

210. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 19 [1 Jun. 1326]. Justices William de Bereford, John de Mutford, William de Herle, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Reginald le Chapman of Okham and Margaret his wife (by William de Okham), *quer*., and Robert de Luffewyk and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Okham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Margaret as that which Reginald and Margaret had by the gift of Robert and Alice; to have and to hold to Reginald and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Reginald and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/5/53]

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211. York. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 2 [1 Jul. 1328]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, John de Mutford, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between William de Ryhale and Sarah his wife (by John de Overton), *quer*., and Robert de Luffewik and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one virgate of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that William recognized the holding to be the right of Alice, and for this Robert and Alice granted it to William and Sarah and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Sarah and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that William and Sarah die without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to the right heirs of Sarah; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to William and Sarah and their said heirs and also the right heirs of Sarah if they should die without issue. [CP25/1/192/6/2]

212. York. Two weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 2 [8 Jul. 1328]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, John de Mutford, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Alured de Brok, clerk, *quer*., and Robert de Luffwik and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of seven messuages, ten bovates and five acres of land, one acre of meadow, 14*s*. 9¾*d*. rent, two parts of one messuage, a third part of two messuages, one virgate of land, a sixth part of one messuage, and one mill, and a third part of a third part of two messuages, and one virgate and three acres and three roods of land, with the appurtenances, in Empyngham, Manton, Langham, and Okham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Alured as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Alured and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Alured and his heirs. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/3]

213. York. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 2 [8 Jul. 1328]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, John de Mutford, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between Roger Putot of Manton, *quer*., and Robert de Luffewyk and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one acre of land, two acres of meadow, 7*s*. 8*d*. rent, half of one messuage, one bovate of land, and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Glaston and Redlyngton (plea of covenant); that Robert and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Roger as that which Roger had by their gift; to have and to hold to Roger and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Roger and his heirs. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/6/5]

214. York. One week from St. Martin, anno 2 [18 Nov. 1328]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, John de Mutford, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between William son of Stephen de Neyvill of Butlisbrok and Juliana his wife, *quer*., and Stephen de Neyvill, *deforc*.; of two messuages, two bovates of land, and [two hundred] and three acres of pasture, and fourteen shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Butlisbrok (plea of covenant); that Stephen granted the holding to William and Juliana and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Juliana and their issue of the chief lord of the

fee for the customary services; and if it happens that they die without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to the right heirs of William; with warranty by Stephen and his heirs to William and Juliana and their said heirs, and the right heirs of William if they should die without issue. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/1]

215. York. One week from St. Martin, anno 2 [18 Nov. 1328]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, John de Mutford, John de Stonore, and John de Bousser.

Between William son of Stephen de Neyvill of Bittlisbrok and Juliana his wife, *quer*., and Stephen de Neyvill, *deforc*.; of three messuages, and one acre and two and a half virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Bittlisbrok, which Richard vicar of the church of Bittlisbrok holds for life (plea of covenant); that Stephen granted that the holding, which is of his inheritance and which ought to revert to him, will remain to William and Juliana and their issue, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that William and Juliana die without issue, then after their deaths the holding will remain to the right heirs of William; with warranty by Stephen and his heirs to William and Juliana and their said heirs, and the right heirs of William if they die without issue. Consideration forty marks. Made in the presence of Richard who did fealty to William and Juliana. [CP25/1/192/6/4]

216. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 3 [25 Jun. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between Roger Putot of Manton and William Kyrkeman of Glaston, *quer*., and Robert son of John de Exton and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of three acres of land, six shillings of rent, two parts of one messuage, a half of one messuage, one bovate of land, and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Glaston, Rydelyngton, and Manton (plea of covenant); that Robert and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Roger as that which Roger and William had by their gift; to have and to hold to Roger and William and the heirs of Roger of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to Roger and William and the heirs of Roger. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/6]

217. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 3 [25 Jun. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between Walter Poul, *quer*., and Robert son of John de Exton and Matilda his wife, and John de Gretham of Exton and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of two parts of a third part of one messuage, one virgate of land, and one and a half acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Langham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Matilda and John and Margery recognized the said two parts to be the right of Walter as those which Walter had by their grant; to have and to hold to Walter and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert, Matilda, John, and Margery, and the heirs of Matilda and Margery, to Walter and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/6/7]

218. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 3 [25 Jun. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between Roger Putot of Manton and William Kyrkeman of Glaston, *quer*., and John de Gretham of Exton and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of three acres of land, six shillings of rent, half of one messuage, one bovate of land, and a third part of one messuage, and half of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Glaston and Rydelyngton (plea of covenant); that John and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which he and Roger had by their grant; to have and to hold to Roger and William and the heirs of William of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to Roger and William, and the heirs of William. Consideration forty shillings. [CP25/1/192/6/8]

219. Westminster. One week from Trinity anno 3 [25 Jun. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between Alured de Brok, clerk, *quer*., and Robert de Luffewyk, *deforc*.; of three messuages, one mill, two acres and three roods of land, three shillings of rent, and a half-acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Normanton which Isabel de Bokelond holds for her life (plea of covenant); that Robert recognized the holding to be the right of Alured, and granted for himself and his heirs that the holding, which Isabel holds for life by grant of the said Robert and which after Isabel's death ought to revert to Robert and his heirs, will remain to Alured and his heirs, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and his heirs to Alured and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/12]

220. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno [3] [25 Jun. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between John de Luffewyk and Joan his wife (by John de Overton), *quer*., and John de Gretham of Exton and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of five acres of land and an eighteenth part of one messuage and one mill, with the appurtenances, in Manton (plea of covenant); that John and Margery granted to John and Joan the said eighteenth part and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Joan and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and further John and Margery granted for themselves and the heirs of Margery that the said five acres of land, which Roger Putot and Elizabeth his wife hold for life of the inheritance of Margery and which after their deaths ought to remain to John and Margery and the heirs of Margery, will remain to John and Joan and their said heirs, to hold together with the eighteenth part; and if it happens that John and Joan die without issue then after their deaths it will remain entire to Thomas de Wympton and his heirs; with warranty by John and Margery, and the heirs of Margery,

to John and Joan and their said heirs, and also to Thomas and his heirs if John and Joan die without issue. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/6/13]

221. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 3 [25 Jun. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between John de Luffewyk and Joan his wife (by John de Overton), *quer*., and John de Gretham of Exton and Margery his wife, and Robert son of John de Exton and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of a moiety of one messuage and one virgate of land, and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Rydelyngton (plea of covenant); that John and Margery and Robert and Matilda recognized the said moiety and third part to be the right of John de Luffewyk and they rendered them to John and Joan in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Joan and the heirs of John of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Margery and Robert and Matilda, and the heirs of Margery and Matilda, to John and Joan and the heirs of John. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/14]

222. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 3 [2 Jul. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between John de Cottesmor, *quer*., and William de Helpeston of Pikworth and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, and twenty-one acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmor (plea of covenant); that William and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by William and his heirs to John and his heirs. Consideration £10. [CP25/1/192/6/9]

223. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 3 [2 Jul. 1329]. Justices William de Herle, Henry le Scrop, and John Travers.

Between Alured de Brok, *quer*., and Robert son of John de Exton and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of five acres of land, half of one acre and a third of a rood of meadow, a third part of a sixth part of one messuage and one mill, with the appurtenances, in Manton, which Isabel de Bokelond holds for her life (plea of covenant); that Robert and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Alured and granted for themselves and the heirs of Matilda that the holding, which Isabel holds for life of the inheritance of Matilda and which after Isabel's death ought to revert to Robert and Matilda and the heirs of Matilda, will remain entire to Alured and his heirs; to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to Alured and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks.

Endorsed: John de Gretham and Margery his wife, and Robert son of John de Exton and Matilda his wife put in their claims. [CP25/1/192/6/11]

224. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 3 [6 Oct. 1329]. Justices John de Stonore, Henry le Scrop, John Travers, and Richard de Wilughby.

Between William de Walmesford of Northluffenham and Alice his wife (by Simon de Morcote), *quer*., and Alexander son of Simon de Morcote, clerk, *deforc*.; of one messuage, thirty acres of land, and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that William recognized the holding to be the right of Alexander as that which he had by William's gift, and for this Alexander granted it to William and Alice and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Alice and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that they die without issue then after their deaths it will remain entire to the right heirs of William. [CP25/1/192/6/10]

225. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 4 [6 Oct. 1330]. Justices John de Stonore, John Travers, and Richard de Wylughby.

Between Robert de Estlangeton, clerk, and John son of Robert atte Halle of Suthluffenham, *quer*., and Master Hugh Sampson, parson of the church of Henyngford, *deforc*.; of three messuages, one mill, one hundred acres of land, twenty-four acres of meadow, and two hundred acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Pilton (plea of covenant); that Robert recognized the holding to be the right of Master Hugh, and for this Hugh granted it to Robert and John and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold of the chief lord by the customary services; with warranty by Hugh and his heirs to Robert and John and the heirs of Robert. [CP25/1/192/6/15]

226. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 5 [27 Jan. 1331]. Justices John de Stonore, John de Cantebrigg, John Travers, and John Inge.

Between Alured de Brok (by John de Overton), *quer*., and John de Gretham and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of 10*s*. 4½*d*. rent and a third part of one messuage and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Manton and Empyngham (plea of covenant); that John and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of Alured as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Alured and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to Alured and his heirs. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/6/16]

227. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 5 [10 May. 1331]. Justices William de Herle, John de Stonore, Robert de Malberthorp, John de Cantebrigg, John Travers, and John Inge.

Between Henry le Scrop, *quer*., and Hugh Maydenleche and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of two acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Parva Chasterton (plea of covenant); that Hugh and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Henry

as that which he had by their grant; to have and to hold to Henry and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by Hugh and his heirs to Henry and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/6/17]

228. York. One month from Michaelmas, anno 7 [27 Oct. 1333]. Justices William de Herle, John de Stonore, John de Cantebrigge, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, and William de Shareshull.

Between John Beyron of Whittewell, *quer*., and John Hayleway of Parva Hameldon and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one bovate and fifty-four acres of land, and nine acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Parva Hameldon (plea of covenant); that John and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of John Beyron as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by John and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to John and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/18]

229. York. Three weeks from Easter, anno 8 [17 Apr. 1334]. William de Herle, John de Stonore, John de Cantebrigg, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, and Richard de Aldeburgh. And afterwards two weeks from Trinity in the same year [5 Jun. 1334] it was granted and recorded before William, John, John, John, and John.

Between John son of William de Exton, *quer*., and Reginald le Chapman of Ocham and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Ocham (plea of covenant); that Reginald and Margaret recognized the holding to be the right of John and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Reginald and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret, to John and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/19]

230. York. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 8 [25 Jun. 1334]. Justices William de Herle, John de Stonore, John de Cantebrigg, John Inge, and John de Shardelowe. And afterwards one week from St. Martin in the same year [18 Nov. 1334] it was granted and recorded before William de Herle, John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John de Cantebrigg, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, John de Trevaignon, and Richard de Aldeburgh.

Between Thomas son of Walter de Casterton (by John de Caldon), *quer*., and Clement de Casterton and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and seventeen and a half acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Staunford and Casterton (plea of covenant); that Clement and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Thomas and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Clement and his heirs to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/6/20]

231. York. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 9 [25 Nov. 1335]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, and Richard de Aldeburgh. And afterwards on the morrow of the Purification, anno 10 [3 Feb. 1336], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Richard de Marnham, *quer*., and John de Gretham and Margery his wife, *deforc*., of thirty-four acres and one rood of land, five acres of meadow, six pence and two capons of rent, a half of one messuage, and half of a fifth part and a quarter part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Northmanton, Manton, and Exton (plea of covenant); that John and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of Richard and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by John and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to Richard and his heirs. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/21]

232. York. Two weeks from Easter, anno 11 [4 May 1337]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, Roger Hillary, William Scot, and William Basset. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas in the same year [6 Oct. 1337] it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Richard de Pershoure and Ivetta his wife, *quer*., and Robert de Wenge, chaplain, *deforc*.; of three messuages, two tofts, eighty-four acres of land, and eight acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Empyngham (plea of covenant); that Richard and Ivetta recognized the holding to be the right of Robert as that which he had by their gift, and for this, Robert granted it to Richard and Ivetta and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold, *viz*. the said messuages, tofts, meadow, and seventy acres of land, to Richard and Ivetta and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services, and if it happens that they die without issue then after their deaths it will remain to the right heirs of Richard, and the other sixteen (*sic*) acres of land to Richard and Ivetta for the life of Ivetta and after her death they will remain to Henry atte Crosse of Empingham and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/6/23]

233. York. One week from Trinity, anno 11 [22 Jun. 1337]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, Roger Hillary, William Scot, and William Basset. And afterwards one week from [Michaelmas?] in the same year [6 Oct. 1337] it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Simon Wygeyn and Sarah his wife, *quer*., and Ralph Lovet of Bernardeshull and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, and twenty-one acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Ocham and Barlilthorp (plea of covenant); that Richard and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Simon and they rendered it to Simon and Sarah in the same court; to have and to hold to Simon and Sarah and the heirs of Simon of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Ralph and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to Simon and Sarah and the heirs of Simon. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/25]

234. York. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 11 [25 Jun. 1337]. Justices John de Stonore, William . . . John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, Roger Hillary, William Scot, and William Basset. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas . . . [6 Oct. 1337] it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Roger de Exton [vicar of Pyncebek] (by Thomas de Sleford), and Richard son of Hugh de Exton, chaplain, *deforc.*; of eight messuages, one hundred [and one acres of land], . . . and two acres and three roods of meadow, 24*s.* 11*d.* rent, and a third part of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in [Exton]; that Richard granted the holding to Roger, and rendered six messuages, eighty-six and . . . a half and the said meadow and rent, to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Roger of the chief lord of the fee . . . for Roger's life, and further Richard granted for himself and his heirs that one messuage and four and a half acres of land which Odeline Cl. . . holds for life, and one messuage and a half-acre of land which William Milner holds for life, and that one and a half acres of land which [Diamanda] la Milner holds for life, and a half-acre of land which Alice atte Halle holds for life, and also that eight acres of land and a third part of one messuage which Alice de Ovirton holds for life, of the inheritance of Richard in the said vill and which after the deaths of Odeline, William, Diamande, Alice atte Halle, and Alice de Ovirton ought to revert to Richard, will remain after their deaths to Roger, to hold together with the holding; and after Roger's death all the said holding will remain entire to John de Spaldyng, clerk, and his issue, and [if it happens that John] dies without issue, then after his death, the holding will remain to Matilda sister of John [and her issue]; and if it happens that Matilda dies without issue, then after her death it will remain to the right heirs of Roger. [CP25/1/192/6/22]

235. York. One week from Michaelmas, anno 11 [6 Oct. 1337]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, Roger Hillary, William Scot, and William Basset.

Between John Beverage of Seyton, *quer.*, and John atte Barre of Ocham and Alice his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Ocham (plea of covenant); that John and Alice recognized the messuage to be the right of John Beverage and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice, to John and his heirs; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to John and his heirs. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/6/24]

236. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 13 [18 Apr. 1339]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, Roger Hillary, William Scot, and William Basset.

Between Simon de Lydyngton of Estlangeton, *quer.*, and John son of William Leveday of Estlangeton and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc.*; of four messuages, one mill, one hundred and six acres of land, twenty-four acres of meadow, and two hundred acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Pilton, Sculthorp, Morcote, and Wenge (plea of covenant); that John and Elizabeth recognized the holding to be the right of Simon and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of John, to Simon and his heirs; with warranty by John and Elizabeth, and the heirs of John, to Simon and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/26]

237. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 14 [6 Oct. 1340]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, John Inge, John de Shardelowe, Richard de Aldeburgh, Roger Hillary, William Basset, James de Wodestok, and Richard de Wylughby. And afterwards one week from Hilary [20 Jan. 1341] in the same year it was granted and recorded before Roger Hillary and William Basset.

Between William de Luffinham, vicar of the church of Quappelad, and Simon son of John of Suthluffinham, *quer.*, and Robert de Beheston of Suthluffinham and Isabel his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, nine acres of land, and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Suthluffinham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Isabel recognized the holding to be the right of Simon as that which Simon and William had by their gift, and for this William and Simon granted it to Robert and Isabel and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert and Isabel, for their lives, of William and Simon and the heirs of Simon, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after the deaths of Robert and Isabel the holding will revert entire to William and Simon and the heirs of Simon, quit of the heirs of Robert and Isabel. [CP25/1/192/6/27]

238. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 15 [22 Apr. 1341]. Justices Roger Hillary, William Basset, and Thomas de Heppescotes.

Between John de Keylemersh, parson of the church of Manton, *quer.*, and Richard de Whythynton, poulterer, and Beatrice his wife, *deforc.*; of two messuages, seventy acres of land, and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Southluffenham, Northluffenham, Morcote, and Berewedon (plea of covenant); that Richard and Beatrice recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Richard and Beatrice, and the heirs of Richard, to John and his heirs. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/29]

239. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 15 [6 May 1341]. Justices Roger Hillary, William Basset, and Thomas de Heppescotes. And afterwards two weeks from Trinity, in the same year [17 Jun. 1341] it was granted and recorded before Roger, William, Thomas, and Richard de Kelleshull.

Between William Deyncourt, *quer.*, and John Bernard and Joan his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, two tofts, eighty acres of land, nine acres of meadow, and 3*s.* 4*d.* rent, with the appurtenances, in Ketyn (plea of covenant); that John and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Joan, and the heirs of John, to William and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/28]

240. Westminster. Morrow of All Souls, anno 16 [3 Nov. 1342]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, John de Shardelowe, and Richard de Kelleshull.

Between William le Scrop, knight, *quer.*, and Robert son of Thomas de Parva Casterton and Margery his wife, *deforc.*; of two acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Parva Casterton (plea of covenant); that Robert and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to William and his heirs. Consideration forty shillings. [CP25/1/192/6/30]

241. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 17 [11 May 1343]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, John de Shardelowe, and Richard de Kelleshull.

Between Katherine de Jernemuth (by William de Bitham), *quer.*, and Walter de Jernemuthe, *deforc.*; of two messuages, two tofts, one hundred and sixty acres of land, sixty-five acres and one rood of meadow, and twenty acres of wood, with the appurtenances, in Alsthorp (plea of covenant); that Walter granted the holding to Katherine and rendered it to her in the same court; to have and to hold to Katherine and her issue, of Walter and his heirs, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and if it happens that Katherine dies without issue then after her death it will remain to Edmund, brother of Katherine, and his issue; with warranty by Walter and his heirs to Katherine and her said heirs, and to Edmund and his said heirs if Katherine dies without issue; and if it happens that Edmund dies without issue then after his death it will revert entire to Walter and his heirs, quit of other heirs of Katherine and Edmund. Consideration (given by Katherine to Walter) one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/31]

242. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 17 [25 Jun. 1343]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, John de Shardelowe, and Richard de Kelleshull.

Between Hugh son of Hugh de Swafeld and Joan his wife, *quer.*, by William de Ayleston their guardian, and Hugh de Swafeld and Margery his wife, *deforc.*; of four messuages, four virgates and seven acres of land, six acres of meadow, and thirty-nine shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Normanton, Empyngham, Parva Hameldon, and Magna Hameldon (plea of covenant); that Hugh and Margery granted it to Hugh and Joan and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Hugh and Joan and their issue, of Hugh and Margery and the heirs of Hugh, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions and to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and if it happens that Hugh and Joan die without issue, then after their deaths it will revert entire to Hugh and Margery and the heirs of Hugh, quit of other heirs of Hugh and Joan. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/32]

243. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 18 [30 Apr. 1344]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, and [Richard de Wylughby].

Between John son of John la Warre, *quer.*, and John son of Roger la Warre and Joan his wife, [*deforc.*], of seven messuages and five virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Briggecasterton (plea of covenant); that John and Joan granted three messuages and three virgates to John and rendered them to him in the same court; to have and to hold to John and his issue, of John and Joan and the heirs of John, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and further John and Joan granted for themselves and the heirs of John that one messuage and one virgate of land which William West, chaplain, holds for life, and also three messuages and one virgate of land that William Broun the elder holds for life of the inheritance of John son of Roger in the same vill, and which after their deaths ought to revert to John and Joan and the heirs of John, will remain entire to John son of John and his heirs; to hold together with the holding; with warranty by John and Joan, and the heirs of John, to John and his heirs; and if it happens that John son of John dies without issue then after his death it will revert to John and Joan and the heirs of John, quit of other heirs of John son of John. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/35]

244. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 18 [6 Jun. 1344]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, and Richard de Wylughby.

Between Thomas de Bello Campo, earl of Warwick, *quer.*, and John de Melbourn and Roger de Ledebury, clerk, *deforc.*; of the manors of Berughden and Gretham and of the hundred of Wrangdyk, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that the earl recognized the manors and hundrd to be the right of John and Roger as those which they had by his gift, and for this John and Roger granted them to the earl and rendered them to him in the same court; to have and to hold to the earl, of Roger and his heirs, by the customary services for the life of the earl, and after his death they will remain entire to Reynbrun son of the earl, to hold of the lord king by the customary services for his life, and after his death they will remain to Guy brother of Reynbrun and his male issue; and if it happens that Guy dies without male issue then after his death they will remain to Thomas, brother of Guy, and his male issue; and if it happens that Thomas dies without male issue, then after his death they will remain to the male issue of Reynburn; and if the male issue of Reynbrun dies, then they will remain to the male issue of the said earl; and if the male issue of the earl dies without male issue, then they will remain to John de Bello Campo, brother of the earl, and his male issue; and if the male issue of John dies without male issue then they will remain to the right heirs of the earl. [CP25/1/192/6/36]

245. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 18 [13 Oct. 1344]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, and Richard de Wylughby.

Between John de Katurton and Joan his wife, *quer.*, and John son of Hugh de Keteryng of Glaston and Margery his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Glaston (plea of covenant); that John

and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which John and Joan had by their gift; to have and to hold to John and Joan, and the heirs of John, of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by John and Margery, and the heirs of John, to John and Joan and the heirs of John. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/34]

246. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 18 [20 Jan. 1345]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, and Richard de Wylughby. And afterwards one week from Hilary, anno 19 [20 Jan. 1346], it was granted and recorded before the said John, William de Shareshull, Roger, Richard, Richard, and John de Stonford.

Between Roger de Denford, *quer*., and William Barentyn of Cotesmor and Cecily his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, one hundred and ten acres of land, thirty acres of meadow, and two shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Cotesmore and Berugh (plea of covenant); that William and Cecily recognized the holding to be the right of Roger of which Roger had one messuage and half one messuage by their gift, and they granted to Roger the said rent together with the homage and services of Robert Auncell and his heirs for the holding which William and Cecily previously held in the said vill; to have and to hold to Roger and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and further William and Cecily granted for themselves and the heirs of Cecily that the said land and meadow which Master John de Lunderthorp, parson of the church of Cotesmor, holds for life, and also that half a messuage in the vill of Cotesmore which Joan who was the wife of Gilbert de Cotesmor holds for life, of the inheritance of Cecily and which after the deaths of Master John and Joan ought to revert to William and Cecily and the heirs of Cecily, will remain after their deaths to Roger and his heirs; to hold together with the holding; with warranty by William and Cecily, and the heirs of Cecily, to Roger and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/33]

247. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 19 [24 Apr. 1345]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshulle, and Richard de Wylughby.

Between Thomas son of Walter de Jernemuth of Cotesmor and Elizabeth his wife (by William de Bytam), and Edmund de Brus and Katherine his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, two tofts, one hundred and sixty acres of land, sixty-five acres and one rood of meadow, and twenty acres of wood, with the appurtenances, in Alsthorp (plea of covenant); that Edmund and Katherine granted the holding to Thomas and Elizabeth and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Thomas and Elizabeth and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Thomas and Elizabeth die without issue then after their deaths it will remain entire to the right heirs of Thomas; with warranty by Edmund and Katherine, and the heirs of Katherine, to Thomas and Elizabeth and their said heirs, and the right heirs of Thomas. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/37]

248. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 19 [5 Jun. 1345]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, and John de Stonford.

Between John de Insula of Burghle, knight, and Margaret his wife (by Reginald de Tygesore), *quer*., and William de Berghdon, vicar of the church of Burghle, and John de Hardewyk, *deforc*.; of three messuages, one hundred and forty acres of land, and fifteen acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Burghle and Alesthorp (plea of covenant); that John de Insula recognized the holding to the right of William as that which William and John had by his gift, and for this William and John granted it to John and Margaret and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Margaret and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that John and Margaret die without issue then after their deaths it will remain to Henry, son of the said John de Insula, and his issue; and if it happens that Henry dies without issue, then after his death it will remain to the right heirs of John de Insula.
Endorsed: Gerard de Insula, knight, put in his claim. [CP25/1/192/6/39]

249. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 19 [5 Jun. 1345]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, and John de Stonford.

Between Thomas son of William la Zouche of Haryngworth, *quer*. (by John de Braundeston), and Bernard de Brus, *deforc*.; of three messuages, three virgates and two hundred and fifty acres of land, ten acres of meadow, and ten acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that Bernard recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas and remitted and quitclaimed, for himself and his heirs, to Thomas and his heirs; with warranty by Bernard and his heirs to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/40]

250. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 19 [12 Nov. 1345]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, and John de Stonford.

Between Thomas son of William la Zouche of Haryngworth and Christine his wife (by John de Braundeston), *quer*., and Adam de Arderne, vicar of the church of Thornhawe, and Richard de Smytheton, *deforc*.; of fourteen messuages, one toft, six virgates and two hundred and sixty acres of land, twelve acres of meadow, twelve acres of pasture, and twenty-four shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Exton, Northluffenham, and Wheenge (plea of covenant); that Thomas recognized the holding to be the right of Adam, of which Adam and Richard had ten messuages, five virgates one hundred and sixty and a half acres of land, and eight and a half acres and half a rood of meadow, and twelve acres of pasture, by the gift of Thomas; and for this Adam and Richard granted to Thomas and Christine the same [. . .] together with the homage and services of John Basset of Northluffenham, Simon de Lyndon, Peter Basset, John de Glaston, John atte Halle, Alexander son of James de Sculthorp and Elizabeth his wife, Richard Palmere, William son of Hugh de Southluffenham, Richard Godewyn, William de Morecote the younger, Juliana Waytestathe, Alexander son of James de Sculthorp, John

Reyner, John Hauvyll, Hugh Whytstath, William Watestathe, Robert George, Hugh Bomour, John de Walmesford, John son of William and Matilda his wife, Peter de Pikewell, William de Walmesford the younger, Nicholas de Neubold, John son of William de Sculthorp, William son of Nicholas, Walter Carpentar', William Colle, John Champeneys, Robert le Smyth, Isabel daughter of Adam in Cimiterio, William de Sculthorp, Robert Herny, William in Cimiterio and Alice his wife, Robert Toky, Thomas Toky, Thomas Gernoun, Thomas Serle, chaplain, William Cara, chaplain, John Pedemore, William de Weston and Katherine his wife, William Fauconer, John de Wyke, parson of the church of Northluffenham, Robert de Corby, Robert Brithmere, Robert Elys and Alice his wife, Margaret de Leyre, Thomas Chapeleyn, Geoffrey Palmere de Northluffenham, Simon de Langeton, and Robert de Uffyngton of Pilton, and their heirs for the holdings which Adam and Richard previously held in the same vills, and they rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Thomas and Christine and the issue of Thomas of the chief lord by the customary services; and further Adam and Richard granted for themselves and the heirs of Adam, that one messuage, one toft, and one virgate of land that Stephen son of John son of Richard de Covyngton holds for life, and eight acres of land and two acres of meadow which Peter de Covyngton, vicar of the church of Exton, and Peter son of John de Covyngton hold for their lives, and [sixteen] acres of land which Geoffrey Smyth of Gretham and Isabel his wife hold for their lives, and four acres of land which Matilda la Deye holds for life, and four acres of land which John le Taillour of Exton holds for life, and three and a half acres of land which William le Skynner holds for life, and one acre of land which Roger son of William le Skynner holds for life, and two acres of land which Felicia who was the wife of Robert Luvet of Bernardeshull holds for life, and fourteen acres of land which Bernard Lawe of Exton holds for life, and four and a half acres of land which Hugh Spark holds for life, and [ten] acres of land which [Herbert] Sutor of Exton holds for life, and three acres of land which Richard Brid holds for life, and fifteen and a half acres of land and one acre of meadow which John de Feriby of Exton and Alice his wife hold for their lives, and one acre of land which John Wantenede holds for life, and one acre of land which Matilda Webbest'e holds for life, and five and a half acres of land which William Osbern holds for life, and one messuage, seven acres of land and one and a half roods of meadow which John de Normanton and Cecily his wife hold for their lives, and one messuage which Peter de Normanton and Alice his wife hold for their lives, and one [messuage] which John de Pilton and Beatrice his wife and John their son hold for their lives, of the inheritance of Adam de Arderne and which ought after their deaths to revert to Adam and his heirs, will remain to Thomas and Christine and the said heirs of Thomas; to hold together with the former holding; and if it happens that Thomas son of William dies without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to Edmund, brother of the said Thomas son of William, for his life, and after his death to William la Zouche of Haryngworth and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/6/38]

251. Westminster. Morrow of the Purification, anno 20 [3 Feb. 1346]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, and John de Stonford.

Between Aubrey de Wytlesbury and Joan his wife, *quer.*, and William de Thorp and Beatrice his wife, *deforc.*; of seven messuages and ten bovates of land, with the appurtenances, in Emppyngham (plea of covenant); that Aubrey and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of William, and for this William and Beatrice granted to Aubrey and Joan six messuages and nine bovates of land and rendered them to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Aubrey and Joan and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and further they granted for themselves and the heirs of William that one messuage and one bovate of land which Henry Stacy and Cecily his wife hold for their lives of the inheritance of William in the said vill and which ought to revert to William and Beatrice after their deaths, will remain to Aubrey and Joan and their said heirs, to hold together with the other holding; and if it happens that Aubrey and Joan die without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to the right heirs of Aubrey. [CP25/1/192/6/41]

252. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 21 [25 Jun. 1347]. Justices John de Stonore, William de Shareshull, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, and John de Stonford.

Between Thomas de Basynges, knight, (by William de Witham) *quer.*, and Alice daughter of Nicholas son of Richard son of Philip, *deforc.*; of a sixth part of four messuages, forty acres of land, and ten acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Tykesovere (plea of covenant); that Alice recognzied the said sixth part to be the right of Thomas and granted, for herself and her heirs, that a sixth part of two messuages, thirty-two acres of land, and six acres of meadow which Nicholas de Plumton and Alice his wife hold for the life of Alice, and also that a sixth part of two messuages, eight acres of land, and four acres of meadow which Elizabeth who was the wife of Henry Caleys holds for her life of the inheritance of Alice daughter of Nicholas, and which after the deaths of Alice wife of Nicholas and Elizabeth ought to revert to Alice daughter of Nicholas, will remain entire to Thomas and his heirs, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for that service which pertains to the sixth part; with warranty by Alice and her heirs to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/42]

253. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 25 [13 Oct. 1351]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, John de Stonford, and Thomas de Fencotes. And afterwards two weeks from Hilary, anno 26 [27 Jan. 1352], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between William la Zouche of Haryngworth, *quer.*, and Henry de Brampcote, parson of the church of Kilpesham, Walter Fynyan, chaplain, and William de Ardern, *deforc.*; of the manor of Kilpesham, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that William la Zouche recognized the manor to be the right of Henry as that which Henry, Walter, and William had by his gift, and for this Henry, Walter, and William granted it to William la Zouche and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to William of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services for his life, and

after his death it will remain entire to William la Zouche of Toteneys and his issue; and if it happens that William la Zouche of Toteneys dies without issue, then after his death it will remain entire to the right heirs of William la Zouche of Haryngworth. [CP25/1/192/6/43]

254. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 26 [27 Jan. 1352]. Justices John de Stonore, Roger Hillary, Richard de Kelleshull, Richard de Wylughby, John de Stonford, and Thomas de Fencotes.

Between Richard Waynbrigg, *quer*., and John Hakelud and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, fifty acres of land, four acres of meadow, and one and a halfpence rent, with the appurtenances, in Ocham (plea of covenant); that John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Richard as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold to Richard and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Richard and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/44]

255. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 28 [4 May 1354]. Justices Roger Hillary, Richard de Wylughby, John de Stonford, and Henry Grene.

Between Robert de Thorp, *quer*., and Gerard de Braybrok, knight, *deforc*.; of £20 of rent, with the appurtenances, in Brigge Casterton (plea of covenant); that Gerard recognized the rent to be the right of Robert and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Gerard and his heirs to Robert and his heirs. Consideration £100. [CP25/1/192/6/45]

256. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 31 [9 Feb. 1357]. Justices Robert de Thorp, Richard de Wylughby, John de Stonford, Henry Grene, and Thomas de Seton. And afterwards three weeks from Easter, in the same year [30 Apr. 1357], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between John Wade, clerk, *quer*., and Nicholas Peyvere, knight, *deforc*.; of forty shillings and one pound of cumin rent, with the appurtenances, in Lyegh (plea of covenant); that Nicholas recognized the rent to be the right of John and granted it to John, together with the homage and services of John Hakelut and Alice his wife, and the heirs of Alice, for the holding which Nicholas previously held in the said vill; to have and to hold to John Wade and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Nicholas and his heirs to John Wade and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/46]

257. Westminster. Morrow of All Souls, anno 31 [3 Nov. 1357]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John de Stonford, Henry Grene, Thomas de Seton, and Henry de Motelowe. And afterwards two weeks from Easter, anno 32 [15 Apr. 1358], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Roland Daneys, *quer*., and John de Haryngton, *deforc*.; of the manor of Glaston, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that John recognized the manor to be the right of Roland and granted for himself and his heirs that the said manor, which William Wade and Margaret his wife hold for their lives of the inheritance of John and which ought to revert to John and his heirs on their deaths, will remain entire to Roland and his heirs; to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/47]

258. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 32 [25 Jun. 1358]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John de Stonford, Henry Grene, and Thomas de Seton. And afterwards two weeks from Easter, anno 37 [16 Apr. 1363], it was granted and recorded before the said Robert, John Moubray, and John Knyvet.

Between William Beaufou, *quer*., and John son of William Beaufou of Seyton, *deforc*.; of the manor of Uppehalle in Seyton, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that William recognized the manor to be the right of John, and for this John granted two parts of the manor to William and rendered them to him in the same court; to have and to hold to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and further John granted for himself and his heirs that the third part of the said manor which Roger Beaufou holds for his life of the inheritance of John, and which after his death ought to revert to John and his heirs, will remain entire to William and his heirs, to hold together with the two parts; with warranty by John and his heirs to William and his heirs. [CP25/1/192/6/49]

259. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 32 [13 Oct. 1358]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John de Stonford, Henry Grene, Thomas de Seton, and Henry de Motelowe.

Between Robert atte Halle of Southluffenham, *quer*., and Thomas Thebaud of Haldenby the elder and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, eighty acres of land, and three acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Southluffenham and Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of Robert and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and their heirs, to Robert and his heirs; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs, to Robert and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/48]

260. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 32 [12 Nov. 1358]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John de Stonford, Henry Grene, Thomas de Seton, and Henry de Motelowe.

Between Roland Deneys, *quer*., and Robert de Corby and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Lyndon, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that Roland recognized the manor to be the right of Robert and for this Robert and Joan granted it to Roland and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to Roland and his heirs of the lord king for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Joan, and the heirs of Robert, to Roland and his heirs. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/6/50]

261. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 32 [12 Nov. 1358]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John de Stonford, Henry Grene, Thomas de Seton, and Henry de Motelowe.

Between Roger de Denford and Elizabeth his wife, *quer*., and William de la Launde and Isabel his wife, and John de Meaux and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, eighty acres of land, and twenty acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmor (plea of covenant); that William and Isabel and John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Roger and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Isabel and Alice, to Roger and Elizabeth and the heirs of Roger. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/51]

262. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 34 [26 Apr. 1360]. Justices Robert de Thorp, Henry Grene, Henry de Motelowe, John Moubray, and William de Skipwyth.

Between Henry son of John Breton and Joan his wife, *quer*., and William de Apethorp of Staunford and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, twenty-eight acres of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Ketene (plea of covenant); that William and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of Henry as that which he and Joan had by their gift; to have and to hold to Henry and Joan, and the heirs of Henry, of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by William and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to Henry and Joan and the heirs of Henry. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/6/52]

263. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 34 [13 Oct. 1360]. Justices Robert de Thorp, Henry Grene, Henry de Motelowe, John Moubray, and William de Skipwyth. And afterwards three weeks from Easter, anno 35 [18 Apr. 1361], it was granted and recorded in the presence of the said Robert, Henry de Motelowe, John and William.

Between Reginald Porter of Tykesovere and Elizabeth his wife, *quer*., and John son of William de Morecote of Northluffenham, *deforc*.; of a moiety of two messuages, forty acres of land, six acres of meadow, and two acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Tykesovere and Ketene (plea of covenant); that John recognized the moiety to be the right of Reginald, of which Reginald and Elizabeth had a moiety of eight acres of land and one acre of meadow in the vill of Ketene by John's gift; to have and to hold to Reginald and Elizabeth, and the heirs of Reginald, of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; and further John granted for himself and his heirs that all the residue of the moiety, *viz*. a moiety of two messuages, thirty-acres of land, five acres of meadow, and two acres of pasture which Michael de Wybourn and Margery his wife hold for the life of Margery of the inheritance of John in the said vills, and which ought after Margery's death to revert to John and his heirs, will remain entire to Reginald and Elizabeth and the heirs of Reginald, to hold together with the said moiety; with warranty by John and his heirs to Reginald and Elizabeth, and the heirs of Reginald. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/54]

264. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 34 [20 Jan. 1361]. Justices Robert de Thorp, Henry Grene, Henry de Motelowe, John Moubray, and William de Skipwyth.

Between the keeper and scholars of Aule de Valence Marie of Cantebr', *quer*., and Mary de Sancto Paulo, countess of Pembroke, *deforc*.; of a £4 rent, with the appurtenances, in Wyssenden (plea of covenant); that the countess granted the rent to the keeper and scholars, together with the homage and services of John de Haryngton and his heirs for the holding which he previously held of the countess in the said vill; to have and to hold to the said keeper and scholars and their successors of the lord king for the customary services; with warranty by the countess and her heirs to the keeper and scholars and their successors. Consideration one hundred marks. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/6/53]

265. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 36 [8 May 1362]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, and John Knyvet. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas, anno 38 [6 Oct. 1364], it was granted and recorded before the said Robert, John, John, and John Delves.

Between the keeper and scholars of Aule de Valence Marie de Cantebrigge, *quer*., and Mary de Sancto Paulo, countess of Pembroke, *deforc*.; of a £4 rent, with the appurtenances, in Wyssenden (plea of covenant); that the countess granted the rent to the said keeper together with the homage and services of John de Haryngton, knight, and his heirs for the holding which the countess previous held in the said vill; to have and to hold to the keeper and his successors of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; with warranty by the countess and her heirs to the keeper and his successors. Consideration one hundred marks. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/6/56]

266. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 36 [20 Jan. 1363]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, and John Knyvet.

Between Thomas son of Laurence de Flete, *quer*., and Thomas de Jernemuthe of Cottesmor and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Allesthorp, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Joan recognized the manor to be the right of Thomas son of Laurence as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Thomas, to Thomas son of Laurence and his heirs; with warranty by Thomas and Joan, and the heirs of Thomas, to Thomas son of Laurence and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/55]

267. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 39 [4 May 1365]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, John Knyvet, and John Delves. And afterwards two weeks from Trinity in the same year [22 Jun. 1365], it was granted and recorded before the said Robert, John Moubray, and John Knyvet.

Between John Soleres, *quer*., and John Aleyn of Tikesovere and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, eight acres of land, and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (plea of covenant); that John Aleyn and Agnes

granted the holding to John Soleres and rendered it to him in the same court; to have and to hold to John and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to John and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/6/57]

268. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 41 [27 Jun. 1367]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, William de Fyncheden, and William de Wichyngham.

Between Thomas de Stanes, parson of the church of Upmynstre, and John Rous of Howes, *quer*., and William de Burton and Eleanor his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Drye Stoke, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that William and Eleanor recognized the manor to be the right of John and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of William, to Thomas and John and the heirs of John. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/58]

269. Westminster. One week from St. Martin, anno 42 [18 Nov. 1368]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, William de Fyncheden, and William de Wichyngham.

Between Robert Wardeu of Bodyham and John de la Porte, *quer*., and John Wardeu and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of the bailiwick of the custody of the forest of Rotlond, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that John Wardeu and Alice recognized the bailiwick to be the right of Robert and John and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert and John and their heirs of the lord king by the service of rendering forty shillings a year for the customary services; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Robert and John and their heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/6/59]

270. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 44 [9 Feb. 1370]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, William de Fyncheden, and William de Wichyngham.

Between William Wardedieu, vicar of the church of Bodiham, *quer*., and John Wardedieu and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Braunston, with the appurtenances, and of three carucates of land, ten acres of meadow, one acre of wood, and ten shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Lye, Redlyngton, Uppyngham, Wardele, and Halyok (plea of covenant); that John and Alice recognized the manor and holding to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift; to have and to hold *viz*. the said holding to William and his heirs of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to William and his heirs; and for this, William granted the manor to John and Alice and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Alice and their issue of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that John and Alice die without issue, then after their deaths the manor will remain entire to William Hakeluyt, son of the same Alice, and his issue; and if it happens that William dies without issue, then after his death it will remain entire to the right heirs of John. [CP25/1/192/6/60]

271. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 45 [27 Jan. 1371]. Justices Robert de Thorp, John Moubray, William de Fyncheden, and William de Wichyngham. And afterwards two weeks from Easter in the same year [20 Apr. 1371], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between John atte Halle, parson of the church of Southluffenham, *quer*., and Stephen Hunte of Northluffenham and Isabel his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and twelve acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Southluffenham (plea of covenant); that Stephen and Isabel recognized the holding to be the right of John and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Isabel, to John and his heirs; with warranty by Stephen and Isabel, and the heirs of Isabel, to John and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/6/61]

272. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 45 [12 Nov. 1371]. Justices William de Fyncheden, John Moubray, and William de Wichyngham. And afterwards two weeks from Easter, anno 46 [11 Apr. 1372], it was granted and recorded before the said William, John, William, Roger de Kirketon, and John de Cavendissh.

Between Nicholas Grene of Exton and Nicholas Rose, chaplain, *quer*., and John Broun of Grantesden and Eleanor his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, two acres of meadow, and half of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that John and Eleanor recognized the holding to be the right of Nicholas Grene as that which he and Nicholas Rose had by their gift; to have and to hold to Nicholas and Nicholas, and the heirs of Nicholas Grene, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by John and Eleanor, and the heirs of Eleanor, to Nicholas and Nicholas and the heirs of Nicholas Grene. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/6/62]

273. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 47 [1 Jul. 1373]. Justices William de Fynchedon, William de Wichyngham, and Roger de Kirketon.

Between Robert de Melton and Geoffrey de Segrave, *quer*., and John de Wittilbury and Matilda his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Wissenden, with the appurtenances, and of twenty acres of land, twenty-four acres of meadow, and twelve pence rent, with the appurtenances, in Wissenden (plea of covenant); that John recognized the manor and holding to be the right of Robert as that which Robert and Geoffrey had by his gift, and for this Robert and Geoffrey granted them to John and Matilda and rendered them to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Matilda and the issue of John of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that John dies without issue then after the deaths of John and Matilda, they will remain to the right heirs of John. [CP25/1/192/6/64]

274. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 47 [6 Oct. 1373]. Justices William de Fyncheden, William de Wichyngham, and Roger de Kirketon.

Between Thomas Hogekyn, chaplain, and John Wryght, chaplain, *quer*., and Nicholas Grene and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Exton, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Nicholas and Joan recognized the manor to be the right of John as that which John and Thomas had by their gift, and for this Thomas and John granted it to Nicholas and Joan and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Nicholas and Joan and the heirs male of their bodies, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Nicholas and Joan die without male issue then after their deaths the manor will remain entire to Elizabeth, daughter of the same Nicholas and Joan, and her issue by John de Holand, knight; and if it happens that Elizabeth dies without issue by John de Holand then after her death it will remain entire to the issue of Nicholas and Joan; and if there is no issue of Nicholas and Joan then it will remain to the issue of Nicholas; and if there is no issue of Nicholas, then it will remain to the right heirs of Nicholas. [CP25/1/192/6/63]

275. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 50 [27 Jan. 1376]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Wichyngham, Roger de Kirketon, and Roger de Fulthorp.

Between John Meton and Margery his wife, *quer*., and Stephen de Whytewell, parson of the church of Peckirk, *deforc*.; of one messuage, seventy acres of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Empyngham and Uppyngham (plea of covenant); that John and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of Stephen as that which he had by their gift, and for this Stephen granted it to John and Margery and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to John and Margery and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that they die without issue, then after their deaths it will remain entire to the issue of John; and if John has no issue then it will remain to the right heirs of Margery. [CP25/1/192/6/65]

276. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 50 [27 Apr. 1376]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Wichyngham, Roger de Kirketon, and Roger de Fulthorp.

Between Simon Clerc of Morcote and John Strongeman, chaplain, *quer*., and Richard Spray of Northluffenham and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, thirty-nine acres of land, and one acre and one rood of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that Richard and Elizabeth recognized the holding to be the right of Simon as that which Simon and John had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Elizabeth, to Simon and John and the heirs of Simon; with warranty by Richard and Elizabeth, and the heirs of Elizabeth, to Simon and John and the heirs of Simon. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/6/66]

Richard II (1377-99)

277. Westminster. Three weeks from Easter, anno 2 [1 May 1379]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Kirketon, Roger de Fulthorp, and Henry de Percehay.

Between William de Morwod and Lora his wife, *quer*., and John Tyler and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, six acres land, one acre meadow, one acre of pasture, and half a pigeonhouse, with the appurtenances, in Stokedrye (plea of covenant); that John and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which William and Lora had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of John, to William and Lora and the heirs of William; with warranty by John and Joan, and the heirs of John, to William and Lora and the heirs of William. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/1]

278. Westminster. Two weeks from Michaelmas, anno 4 [13 Oct. 1380]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Kirketon, and Roger de Fulthorp.

Between Henry atte Abbotes of Pikwell, Thomas Assheby, and John Colle, chaplains, *quer*., and Walter de Pynchebek and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Okham (plea of covenant); that Walter and Agnes recognized the messuage to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to Henry, Thomas, and John and the heirs of John; with warranty by Walter and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Henry, Thomas, and John and the heirs of John. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/7/2]

279. Westminster. Morrow of St. Martin, anno 6 [12 Nov. 1382]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Fulthorp, and Henry Asty.

Between William de Burgh and Theobald Warde, *quer*., and Edward Dalyngrugg, knight, and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Braundeston, with the appurtenances, and of three tofts, three carucates of land, eight acres of meadow, one acre of wood, and thirty shillings of rent in Lye, Redlyngton, Uppyngham, and Wardele (plea of covenant); that Edward and Elizabeth recognized the manor and holding to be the right of William and they rendered them to William and Theobald in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Theobald and the heirs of William of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services. Consideration £200. [CP25/1/192/7/3]

280. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 7 [25 Jun. 1383]. Justices Robert Bealknap, William de Skipwyth, and Roger de Fulthorp.

Between John Holt, William Thirnyng, James de Roos, John Tylneye, John de Tyndale, John Stathern, clerk, Philip de

Tylneye, John de Apilton, William Patryk, clerk, and John de Bretton, *quer*., and William de Thorp, knight, *deforc*.; of a £20 rent, with the appurtenances, in Briggecasterton and Wodeheved (plea of covenant); that William de Thorp recognized the rent to be the right of William Patryk and rendered it to him and the others in the same court; to have and to hold to them and the heirs of William Patryk of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by William de Thorp and his heirs, to them and the heirs of William Patryk. Consideration £100. [CP25/1/192/7/4]

281. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 7 [12 Jun. 1384]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Fulthorp, John Holt, and William de Burgh.

Between Thomas Whytewell and Sarah his wife, *quer*., and Robert Whytewell of Ketyn and Dionisia his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one hundred and sixteen and a half acres of land, ten and a half acres of meadow, and 46*s*. 8*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Ketyn and Kilthorp (plea of covenant); that Robert and Dionisia granted the holding to Thomas and Sarah and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Thomas and Sarah and their issue, of Robert and Dionisia and the heirs of Robert, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; with warranty by Robert and his heirs to Thomas and Sarah and their said heirs; and if it happens that Thomas and Sarah die without issue then after their deaths the holding will revert entire to Robert and Dionisia and the heirs of Robert, quit of other heirs of Thomas and Sarah, to hold of the chief lord. Consideration 200 marks. [CP25/1/192/7/5]

282. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 8 [20 Jan. 1385]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Fulthorp, John Holt, and William de Burgh.

Between Thomas de Outheby the younger, *quer*., and Richard Caldecote of Stokedrie and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, fifty acres of land, and ten acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Stokedrie (plea of covenant); that Richard and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Richard, to Thomas and his heirs; with warranty by Richard and Joan, and the heirs of Richard, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/6]

283. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 8 [12 May 1385]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Fulthorp, John Holt, and William de Burgh. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas, anno 9 [6 Oct. 1385], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Thomas de Overton of Exton, *quer*., and Nicholas Richeman and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and ten acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that Nicholas and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice; with warranty by Nicholas and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/7/7]

284. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 9 [1 Jun. 1386]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Fulthorp, John Holt, and William de Burgh.

Between Hugh de Tyrlyngton of Erdeburgh and Alice his wife, *quer*., and John Northwich of Normanton and Alice his wife, and Nicholas Richeman and Alice his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one virgate of land, and a moiety of one messuage and one bovate of land, with the appurtenances, in Normanton (plea of covenant); that John and Alice and Nicholas and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Hugh, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice wife of Nicholas, to Hugh and Alice and the heirs of Hugh; with warranty by John and Nicholas and Alice the wife of Nicholas, and the heirs of Alice, to Hugh and Alice and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/7/8]

285. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 11 [25 Jun. 1387]. Justices Robert Bealknapp, William de Skipwyth, Roger de Fulthorp, John Holt, and William de Burgh. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas in the same year [6 Oct. 1387] it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Thomas Hogekyn of Exton, chaplain, and John Bardy of Empyngham, chaplain, *quer*., and John Baudewyn of Exton and Juliana his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, seventeen acres of land, and a third part of two messuages, with the appurtenances, in Exton, Whitewell, and Keton (plea of covenant); that John and Juliana recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas, and rendered twelve acres of land and the third part to Thomas and John Bardy in the same court; to have and to hold to Thomas and John Bardy, and the heirs of Thomas, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and further John and Juliana granted for themselves and the heirs of Juliana that the messuage and five acres of land which Alice who was the wife of Walter atte Halle holds for her life of the inheritance of Juliana in the said vill, and which after Alice's death ought to revert to John and Juliana and the heirs of Juliana, will remain entire to Thomas and John Bardy and the heirs of Thomas, to hold together with the former holding of the chief lord; with warranty by John and Juliana, and the heirs of Juliana, to Thomas and John Bardy and the heirs of Thomas. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/9]

286. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 13 [27 Jan. 1390]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Syde[nham].

Between John de Wodeford and Mabel his wife, *quer*., and Hugh Browe, knight, and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Ty, with the appurtenances, and of the advowson of the church (plea of covenant); that Hugh and Elizabeth

recognized the manor and advowson to be the right of Mabel as that which John and Mabel had by Hugh's gift, and for this John and Mabel granted them to Hugh and Elizabeth and rendered them to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Hugh and Elizabeth and their issue, of John and Mabel and the heirs of Mabel, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and if it happens that Hugh and Elizabeth die without issue then after their deaths the manor and advowson will remain to the issue of Elizabeth; and if Elizabeth dies without issue then they will remain to John and Mabel and the heirs of Mabel, quit of other heirs of John and Elizabeth and also other heirs of Elizabeth. [CP25/1/192/7/10]

287. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 14 [25 Nov. 1390]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham. And afterwards one week from Hilary, in the same year [20 Jan. 1391], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between John Bozon, knight, John de Rocheford, knight, John Trippelowe, parson of the church of Hogham, and Thomas Alger, clerk, *quer*., and Richard Salyng and Lora his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Cotesmore, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Richard and Lora recognized the manor to be the right of John Bozon as that which John, John, John, and Thomas had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Lora, to John, John, John, and Thomas, and the heirs of John Bozon. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/11]

288. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 14 [9 Apr. 1391]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.

Between Joan who was the wife of Nicholas Grene of Exton, *quer*., and Thomas Edefald of Isham and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Exton, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Joan recognized the manor to be the right of Joan Grene and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to Joan and her heirs; with warranty by Thomas and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to Joan Grene and her heirs. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/13]

289. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 14 [5 May 1391]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.

Between Thomas Bataille, William Cressewyk, Clement Spice, John son of William Doreward, John Edmund, and Robert Morewode, *quer*., and Richard Salyng and Lora his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Stokedrye, with the appurtenances, and of five messuages, one hundred and twenty acres of land, and seven acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Stokedrye and Halyok (plea of covenant); that Richard and Lora recognized the manor and holding to be the right of Thomas as that which Thomas, William, Clement, John, John, and Robert had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Lora, to the others and the heirs of Thomas. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/12]

290. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 14 [5 May 1391]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham. And afterwards one week from Hilary anno 15 [20 Jan. 1392], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Margery de Preston, *quer*., and Thomas Draper of Uppyngham and Helen his wife, *deforc*.; of two tofts, thirty-six acres and one rood of land, one acre of meadow, and a half-acre of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Empyngham (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Helen recognized the holding to be the right of Margery as that which she had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Helen, to Margery and her heirs; with warranty by Thomas and Helen, and the heirs of Helen, to Margery and her heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/7/14]

291. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 15 [28 Apr. 1392]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas anno 17 [6 Oct. 1393] it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Warin Warde and John his son, *quer*., and William Wodeman and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage and ten acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Tykesovere (plea of covenant); that William and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of Warin as that which he and John had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to Warin and John and the heirs of Warin; with warranty by William and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Warin and John and the heirs of Warin. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/15]

292. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 15 [28 Apr. 1392]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.

Between Thomas Vowe of Whitewell, *quer*., and William de Whitewell and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages, three tofts, one hundred and twenty-two acres of land, and ten acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Whitewell and Bernardishull (plea of covenant); that William and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of William, to Thomas and his heirs; with warranty by William and Joan, and the heirs of William, to Thomas and his heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/7/16]

293. York. One week from Michaelmas, anno 16 [6 Oct. 1392]. Justices, Robert de Cherlton William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between Richard Reyle of Okeham, *quer*., and William Rawele of Tynwell and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Okeham (plea of covenant); that William and Margaret recognized the messuage to be the right of Richard and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margaret. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/7/18]

294. York. Morrow of All Souls, anno 16 [3 Nov. 1392]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between Hugh Browe, knight, *quer*., and Thomas West, knight, and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Wodehed, with the appurtenances, and the advowson of the free chapel of the same manor and the advowson of the church of Brigcasterton (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Joan recognized the manor and advowsons to be the right of Hugh as that which Hugh had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to Hugh and his heirs; with warranty by Thomas and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to Hugh and his heirs. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/17]

295. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 16 [15 Jun. 1393]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between Thomas de Neweton, clerk, John Ravenser, clerk, John Rome, clerk, Robert de Garton, clerk, John de Pepilton, clerk, Roger Mareschall, clerk, John Muskham, clerk, and Thomas Jolilok, *quer*, and James Palmer and Amy his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, eighteen acres of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Burghley (plea of covenant); that James and Amy recognized the holding to be the right of John Rome as that which John and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Amy, to John Rome and the others and the heirs of John Rome; with warranty by James and Amy, and the heirs of Amy, to the others and the heirs of John Rome. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/7/19]

296. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 18 [25 Apr. 1395]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between Alexander Michel of Northluffenham and Emma his wife, *quer*., and Robert White of Colyngham and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages and twenty acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham and Southluffenham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of Alexander as that which he and Emma had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to Alexander and Emma, and the heirs of Alexander; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Alexander and Emma and the heirs of Alexander. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/20]

297. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 18 [25 Apr. 1395]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between Alan Russell of Northluffenham and Amy his wife, *quer*., and Robert White of Colyngham and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, twenty acres of land, and a moiety of two messuages and seventy-two acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of Alan as that which he and Amy had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to Alan and Amy and the heirs of Alan; with warranty by Robert and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to Alan and Amy and the heirs of Alan. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/21]

298. Westminster. Two weeks from Trinity, anno 18 [20 Jun. 1395]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between William Snell, parson of the church of Stoke Drye, William Warner, chaplain, and Henry Pykeryng, *quer*., and John Wakefeld of London, *deforc*.; of the manor of Stoke Drye, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that John recognized the manor to be the right of William Snell as that which he and William and Henry had by his gift, and he remitted and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs to William, William, and Henry, and the heirs of William Snell; with warranty by John and his heirs to William, William, and Henry, and the heirs of William Snell. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/22]

299. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 19 [1 Jul. 1395]. Justices Robert de Cherlton, William Thirnyng, William Rickhill, John Wadham, and Richard Sydenham.
Between William Dalby of Exton and John Skynner, chaplain, *quer*., and John Lynford and Katherine his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Langham (plea of covenant); that John and Katherine recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which he and John Skynner had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Katherine, to William and John and the heirs of William; with warranty by John and Katherine, and the heirs of Katherine, to William and John and the heirs of William. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/23]

300. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 20 [1 Jun. 1397]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and John Markham. And afterwards one week from Trinity in the same year [24 Jun. 1397] it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between William Dalby of Exton and Agnes his wife, and John Skynner chaplain, *quer*., and John Wittulbury the younger and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, fifty-one acres of land, four acres of meadow, and 1½*d*. rent, with the appurtenances, in Okeham (plea of covenant); that John and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which William and Agnes and John had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of John, to William and Agnes and John, and the heirs of William; with warranty by John and Agnes, and the heirs of John, to William and Agnes and John, and the heirs of William. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/25]

301. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 20 [24 Jun. 1397]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and John Markham. And afterwards one week from Michaelmas, anno 21 [6 Oct. 1397], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between John de Ketone, *quer*., and Henry Othehill of Ketone and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of twelve acres of land and one acre of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Ketone (plea of covenant); that Henry and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which John had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to John and his heirs; with warranty by Henry and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to John and his heirs. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/7/24]

302. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 21 [6 Oct. 1397]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Wadham, and John Markham.

Between John Durant, *quer*., and Walter [Scarle] and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, five tofts, one hundred and sixty acres of land, twenty acres of meadow, and twenty acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Berughdon and Southluffenham (plea of covenant); that Walter and Margaret recognized the holding to be the right of John, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margaret, to John and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/26]

303. Westminster. Two weeks from St. John the Baptist, anno 22 [8 Jul. 1398]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle.

Between John de Bredon, chaplain, William Wright, chaplain, John Seleby of Oundell, and Robert de Sussex of Marketoverton, *quer*., and Thomas Porter and Katherine his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages, seventy acres of land, and three and a half acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Thystilton and Stretton (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Katherine recognized the holding to be the right of John de Bredon as that which he, William, John, and Robert had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Katherine, to John, William, John, and Robert, and the heirs of John de Bredon; with warranty by Thomas and Katherine, and the heirs of Katherine, to John, William, John, and Robert, and the heirs of John de Bredon. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/7/30]

304. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 22 [6 Oct. 1398]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle.

Between William de Burgh, knight, and Margery his wife, *quer*., and John Rome, clerk, and Robert Skeryngton, chaplain, *deforc*.; of the bailiwick of the keepership of the forest of Roteland, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that William and Margery recognized the bailiwick to be the right of John and Robert as that which they had by gift of William and Margery, and for this John and Robert granted it to William and Margery and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Margery for their lives of the lord king by the customary services; and after their deaths it will remain to Anne, daughter of the said William and Margery, and her male issue by Theobald Warde formerly her husband; and if Anne dies without male issue by Theobald, then after her death it will remain to her issue; and if she dies without issue then after her death it will remain to the right heirs of the same [Anne]. Agreement made by precept of the king. [CP25/1/192/7/27]

305. Westminster. One week from St. Martin, anno 22 [18 Nov. 1398]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle.

Between Roger Flore, *quer*., and William Tronhan and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages, and a moiety of one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Okham (plea of covenant); that William and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of Roger as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of William, to Roger and his heirs; with warranty by William and Margery, and the heirs of William, to Roger and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/7/28]

306. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 22 [9 Feb. 1399]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle.

Between William Freman of Markeoverton and Alice his wife, *quer*., and Thomas Porter of Thistilton and Katherine his wife, *deforc*.; of one toft, two virgates of land, two acres of meadow, and sixpence and half a pound of pepper rent, with the appurtenances, in Marketoverton (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Katherine recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which William and Alice had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Katherine, to William and Alice and the heirs of William; with warranty by Thomas and Katherine, and the heirs of Thomas, to William and Alice and the heirs of William. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/7/29]

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307. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 2 [27 Jan. 1401]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle.
Between William Frank, clerk, John Frank, clerk, Thomas Payn, clerk, and John Freman, *quer.*, and John Clerk and Matilda his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage and nine acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Marketoverton (plea of covenant); that John and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which William and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Matilda, to William, John, Thomas, and John, and the heirs of William; with warranty by John and Matilda, and the heirs of Matilda, to William, John, Thomas, and John, and the heirs of William. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/8/1]

308. Westminster. Two weeks from Easter, anno 3 [9 Apr. 1402]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle.
Between Alexander Michell and Emma his wife, *quer.*, and Hugh de Skulthorp and Amy his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that Hugh and Amy recognized the messuage to be the right of Alexander as that which he and Emma had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Hugh, to Alexander and Emma and the heirs of Alexander; with warrant by Hugh and Amy, and the heirs of Hugh, to Alexander and Emma and the heirs of Alexander. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/8/2]

309. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 6 [17 May 1405]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, and William Brenchesle. And afterwards one week from Hilary, anno 7 [20 Jan. 1406], it was granted and recorded before the said justices and John Cokayn.
Between Hugh de Leversegge, clerk, and Edmund de Leversegge, *quer.*, and Robert Sherard and Agnes his wife, *deforc.*; of the manor of Berewe, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Robert and Agnes recognized the manor to be the right of Hugh as that which he and Edmund had by their gift, and for this Hugh and Edmund granted it to Robert and Agnes and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Robert and Agnes and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that they die without issue, then after their deaths it will remain entire to the right heirs of Agnes. [CP25/1/192/8/3]

310. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 7 [1 Jul. 1406]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, and John Colpeper.
Between John Pensax, Roger Flore, Nicholas Wyght, Richard Pilton, Robert Bendowe, and Thomas Corby (by Roger Wymark), *quer.*, and John Herry of Essex and Alice his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, with the appurtenances, in Okeham (plea of covenant), that John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of Roger as that which Roger, John, Nicholas, Richard, Robert, and Thomas had by their gift, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice, to them and the heirs of Roger; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to John, Roger, Nicholas, Richard, Robert, and Thomas, and the heirs of Roger. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/8/4]

311. Westminster. One week from Trinity, anno 8 [29 May 1407]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Rikhill, John Markham, William Hankeforde, John Cokayn, and John Colpepir.
Between Richard Osbarn, citizen of London, and John Selman, *quer.*, and William Palmere of London, *deforc.*; of three messuages and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Assewelle (plea of covenant); that William recognized the holding to be the right of Richard and rendered it to Richard and John in the same court; to have and to hold to Richard and John, and the heirs of Richard, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by William and his heirs to Richard and John and the heirs of Richard. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/8/5]

312. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 9 [20 Jan. 1408]. Justices William Thirnyng, John Markham, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, and John Colpepir.
Between John Breton of Keton, chaplain, *quer.*, and William Hozelok of Wenge and Joan his wife, *deforc.*; of two messuages, fourteen acres of land, and one and a half acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Tykesovere (plea of covenant); that William and Joan recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which John had by their gift, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to John and his heirs; with warranty by William and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to John and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/8/6]

313. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 11 [27 Oct. 1409]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, John Colpepir, and Robert Hill.
Between John Berkeley, knight, John Shordych, Roger Flore, John Purley, and John Clerk of Wyssenden, *quer.*, and John Neubald and Margaret his wife, *deforc.*; of the manor of Wyssenden, with the appurtenances, except a third part of the same manor (plea of covenant); that John and Margaret recognized the manor to be the right of Roger as that which he, John, John, John, and John, had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margaret, to John, John, Roger, John, and John, and the heirs of Roger. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/8/7]

314. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 11 [27 Oct. 1409]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, John Colpepir, and Robert Hill.

Between John Reynold and Robert Stonham, vicar of the church of Okeham, *quer*., and John Ramsey of Empyngham and Matilda who was the wife of Henry Smyth of Langham, *deforc*.; of one messuage and one virgate of land, with the appurtenances, in Langham (plea of covenant); that John and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of John Reynold as that which John and Robert had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of John, to John and Robert and the heirs of John; with warranty by Matilda and her heirs to John and Robert and the heirs of John. Consideration one hundred shillings. [CP25/1/192/8/8]

315. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 11 [27 Oct. 1409]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, John Colpepir, and Robert Hill.

Between Roger Flore of Okeham, John Skynner, clerk, and John Belgrave, chaplain, *quer*., and John Ramsey of Empyngham and Matilda who was the wife of Henry Smyth of Langham, *deforc*.; of one toft and two virgates of land, with the appurtenances, in Barlythorp (plea of covenant); that John and Matilda recognized the holding to be the right of Roger as that which Roger, John, and John had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of John, to Roger, John, and John, and the heirs of Roger; with warranty by Matilda and her heirs to Roger, John, and John, and the heirs of Roger. Consideration ten marks. [CP25/1/192/8/9]

316. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 11 [27 Oct. 1409]. William Thirnyng, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, John Colpepir, and Robert Hill. And afterwards one week from Hilary in the same year [20 Jan. 1410], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between John Berkeley, knight, *quer*., and Robert Gryme of Langetoft and Isabel his wife, *deforc*.; of a moiety of the manor of Morehall, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Robert and Isabel recognized the moiety to be the right of John of which John had two parts of the moiety by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Isabel, to John and his heirs; and further Robert and Isabel granted for themselves and the heirs of Isabel that the third part of the moiety, which Isabel who was the wife of John Haryngton, knight, holds for her life of the inheritance of Isabel and which after Isabel (Haryngton)'s death ought to revert to Robert and Isabel and the heirs of Isabel, will remain entire to John and his heirs, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Isabel, and the heirs of Isabel, to John and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/8/10]

317. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 13 [27 Jan. 1412]. Justices William Thirnyng, William Hankeford, John Cokayn, John Colpepir, and Robert Hill.

Between Roger Flore and Cecily his wife, *quer*., and Margery who was the wife of Thomas Burton, knight, and Thomas Burton, knight, *deforc*.; of the manors of Whitewell and Hameldon Parva, and six messuages, seventeen virgates of land, thirty acres of meadow, two acres of pasture, eight acres of wood, and 5*s*. 10*d*. and six capons of rent, with the appurtenances, in Whitewell, Hameldon Parva, Hameldon Magna, Exton, and Empyngham (plea of covenant); that Margery and Thomas granted the manors, holding, and rent to Roger and Cecily, and rendered them to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Roger and Cecily and their male issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that they die without male issue then after their deaths they will remain entire to the issue of Roger; and if he has no issue then they will remain entire to the right heirs of Roger; with warranty by Margery and Thomas, and the heirs of Thomas, to Roger and Cecily and the said heirs of Roger. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/8/11]

Henry V (1413-22)

318. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 2 [9 Feb. 1415]. Justices Richard Norton, Robert Hull, and John Cokayn. And afterwards one week from Hilary, anno 4 [20 Jan. 1417] it was granted and recorded before the said Richard, Robert, John Cokayn, and John Preston.

Between Henry [Beaufort], bishop of Winchester, Humphrey, duke of Gloucester, Thomas [Beaufort] earl of Dorset, Thomas Erpyngham, knight, Hugh Lutterell, knight, John Wakeryng, clerk, Thomas Feryby, clerk, William Lodyngton, John Tirell, esquire, Thomas Lopham, Thomas Rolf, John Barton the younger, Stephen Ingelfeld, Robert Frampton, Roger Aston, and John Fray, *quer*., and William Burghchier, knight, and Anne his wife, *deforc*.; of the castle, vill, lordship, and manor of Okeham, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that William and Anne recognized the castle, etc., to be the right of the bishop and the others, of which they had two parts by the gift of William and Anne, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Anne, to the bishop and the others; and further William and Anne granted for themselves and the heirs of Anne that the third part, which Joan [Bohun] countess of Hereford holds in dower of the inheritance of Anne and which after Joan's death ought to revert to William and Anne and the heirs of Anne, will remain entire to the bishop and the others and their heirs; with warranty by William and Anne, and the heirs of Anne, to the bishop and the others and their heirs. Consideration one thousand marks. [CP25/1/192/8/12; fig. 5]

319. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 4 [25 Nov. 1416]. Justices Richard Norton, Robert Hull, John Cokayn, William Lodyngton, and John Preston.

Between William Bereford and John Bereford, clerk, *quer*., and John Burgh and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, five tofts, one carucate and eight virgates of land, twenty-two acres of meadow, three acres of wood, and twelve pence rent, with the appurtenances, in Cotesmore, Alsthorp, and Wenton (plea of covenant); that John and

Margaret recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which William and John had by their gift, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margaret, to William and John and the heirs of William; with warranty by John and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret, to William and John and the heirs of William. Consideration fifty marks. [CP25/1/192/8/13]

320. Westminster. Morrow of the Purification, anno 5 [3 Feb. 1418]. Justices Richard Norton, Robert Hull, John Cokayn, William Lodyngton, and John Preston. And afterwards two weeks from Easter, anno 6 [10 Apr. 1418], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between John Cohte of Ryall, *quer*., and Thomas Webbe of Offord (Hunts.) and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, thirty-two acres of land, six acres of meadow, and two and a half acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Ryall (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Margaret recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift, and remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margaret, to John and his heirs; with warranty by Thomas and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret, to John and his heirs. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/8/14]

Henry VI (1422-61)

321. Westminster. Morrow of the Ascension, anno 5 [30 May 1427]. Justices William Babyngton, John Cokayn, John Preston, John Martyn, John Juyn, and James Strangways.

Between John Sapcote and John Brygge, *quer*., and Robert Campe and Margery his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one toft, thirty acres of land, and two acres and three roods of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Keton (plea of covenant); that Robert and Margery recognized the holding to be the right of John Sapcote as that which he and John Brygge had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margery, to John and John and the heirs of John Sapcote; with warranty by Robert and Margery, and the heirs of Margery, to John and John and the heirs of John Sapcote. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/9/1]

322. Westminster. Morrow of All Souls, anno 6 [3 Nov. 1427]. Justices William Babyngton, John Cokayn, John Preston, John Martyn, John Juyn, and James Strangways.

Between Richard Aldenham and Richard Hyeway, *quer*., and Robert Chiselden and Anne his wife, *deforc*.; of a third part of the manor of Braunston, with the appurtenances, which Margery who was the wife of William Burgh holds for her life (plea of covenant); that Robert and Anne recognized the third part to be the right of Richard Aldenham and granted for themselves and the heirs of Anne that the third part, which Margery holds for life of the inheritance of Anne and which after Margery's death ought to revert to Robert and Anne and the heirs of Anne, will remain entire to Richard and Richard and the heirs of Richard Aldenham, to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Robert and Anne, and the heirs of Anne, to Richard and Richard and the heirs of Richard Aldenham. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/2; fig. 7]

323. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 7 [24 Apr. 1429]. Justices William Babyngton, John Cokayn, John Martyn, John Juyn, and James Strangways.

Between [John Boyhawe], clerk, and Robert Randolf, chaplain, *quer*., and William Sheffeld and Isabel his wife and John Burgh, and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of twenty-four messuages, eight bovates, five hundred and seventy-eight acres and one rood of land, seventy-eight acres of meadow, [sixty acres of pasture, four] acres of wood, and £4 12*s*. 10*d*. and two pounds of pepper and one pound of cumin rent [with the appurtenances] in Berghden, Southluffenham, Morcote, Seyton, Thorp by the Watre, and Uppyngham, and of the advowson of the church of Morcote (plea of covenant); that William and Isabel and John and Margaret recognized the holding and advowson to be the right of John Boyhawe as that which John and Robert had by their gift, and for this John and Robert granted to William and Isabel ten messuages, two bovates, three hundred acres of land, sixty acres of meadow, twenty acres of pasture, four acres of wood, and 10*s*. 1½*d*. and one pound of pepper rent in Seyton, Morcote, and Thorp by the Watre, and the said advowson, and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to William and Isabel and their issue of the chief lord of the fee by the customary services; and if it happens that they die without issue then after their deaths the holding will remain entire to John and Margaret and the heirs of Margaret; and also John and Robert granted to John and Margaret fifteen messuages, six bovates two hundred and seventy-eight acres and one rood of land, and eight acres of meadow, [forty acres of] pasture, £4 2*s*. 8¾*d*. and one pound of pepper rent, . . . with the appurtenances, in the vills of Berghdon, Southluffenham, Morcote and Uppyngham and rendered it to them in the same court; [to have and to hold to] John and Margaret and the issue of Margaret of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Margaret dies without issue then after their deaths it will remain entire to William and Isabel and the heirs of Isabel. [CP25/1/192/9/3]

324. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 7 [24 Apr. 1429]. Justices William Babyngton, John Cokayn, John Martyn, John Juyn, and James Strangways.

Between John Colepepir, esquire, and Juliana his wife, John Daneys, knight, Robert Browe, esquire, and John Burgh, *quer*., and Robert Dabrichescourt and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one hundred and sixty and a half acres of land, and twenty-two and half acres and one rood of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmore and Greteham which were of Bernard Breux (plea of covenant); that Robert and Elizabeth recognized the holding to be the

right of John Burgh as that which he and John and Juliana, John, and Robert, had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Robert, to John and the others and the heirs of John Burgh. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/4; fig. 8]

325. Westminster. Morrow of All Souls, anno 8 [3 Nov. 1429]. Justices William Babyngton, John Martyn, John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between William Parker, John Moston, clerk, Robert Chesylden, and John Borowe, *quer*., and Nicholas Multon, *deforc*., of three messuages, four virgates of land, and thirty-four acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Rydlyngton (plea of covenant); that Nicholas recognized the holding to be the right of William as that which William, John, Robert, and John had by gift of Nicholas, and he remitted and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs to William, John, Robert, and John, and the heirs of William; with warranty by Nicholas and his heirs to William, John, Robert, and John and the heirs of William. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/5]

326. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 10 [9 Feb. 1432]. Justices William Babyngton, John Martyn, John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between Thomas Langeley, bishop of Durham, William le Zouche, knight, Henry Plesyngton, knight, Richard Aldenham, clerk, William Berford the elder, John Pylton, and John Clipsham, *quer*., and Robert Dabrygecourt and Elizabeth his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Cotesmore (Rutl.), with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Robert and Elizabeth recognized the manor to be the right of Richard as that which he and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Elizabeth, to the bishop and the others and the heirs of Richard; with warranty by Richard and Elizabeth, and the heirs of Elizabeth, to the bishop and the others and the heirs of Richard. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/6]

327. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 12 [6 Oct. 1433]. Justices William Babyngton, John Martyn, John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between Richard Heway, chaplain, William Oyston, clerk, and William Parker, *quer*., and John Oudeby and Agnes his wife, *deforc*.; of three messuages and forty acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Bysbroke (plea of covenant); that John and Agnes recognized the holding to be the right of William Parker as that which William, Richard, and William had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of John, to Richard, William, and William, and the heirs of William Parker; with warranty by John and Agnes, and the heirs of John, to Richard, William, and William, and the heirs of William Parker. Consideration twenty marks. [CP25/1/192/9/7]

328. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 13 [27 Jan. 1435]. Justices William Babyngton, John Martyn, John Juyn, James Strangways, [John] Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between Richard Barker, clerk, Roger Chausy of Exton, Thomas Cote, chaplain, and Robert Luffenham of Southluffenham, *quer*., and Anne Cheselden, *deforc*.; of one toft, one virgate of land, ten acres of meadow, and sixteen shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Wardley and Ridlyngton (plea of covenant); that Anne recognized the holding to be the right of Robert as that which he, Richard, Roger, and Thomas had by her gift, and she remitted and quitclaimed for herself and her heirs to Richard, Roger, Thomas, and Robert and the heirs of Robert; and for this, Richard, Roger, Thomas and Robert granted it to Anne and rendered it to her in the same court; to have and to hold to her, without impeachment of waste, of Richard, Roger, Thomas, and Robert and the heirs of Robert for her life, rendering annually one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, customs, and exactions, and rendering to the chief lord of the fee the customary services; and after her death it will revert entire to Richard, Roger, Thomas, and Robert, and the heirs of Robert, quit of the heirs of Anne. [CP25/1/192/9/8]

329. Westminster. One week from Hilary, anno 14 [20 Jan. 1436]. Justices William Babyngton, John Martyn, John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between John Clyppesham and Richard Aldenham, vicar of the church of Okeham, *quer*., and John Braunspath, esquire, and Juliana his wife, *deforc*.; of one messuage, one hundred and sixty and a half acres of land, and twenty-three acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmore and Greteham (plea of covenant); that John and Juliana recognized the holding to be the right of John Clyppesham as that which he and Richard had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Juliana, to John and Richard and the heirs of John; with warranty by John and Juliana, and the heirs of Juliana, to John and Richard and the heirs of John. Consideration £40. [CP25/1/192/9/9]

330. Westminster. Three weeks from Michaelmas, anno 17 [20 Oct. 1438]. Justices John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between Nicholas Dixon, clerk, Richard Moresby, clerk, John la Zouche, John Tailboys, William Tresham, John Langholme, William Eton, Thomas Palmer, and William Stanlowe, *quer*., and Thomas Greneham, esquire, and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Keton, with the apputenances, and of a moiety of the manor of Southluffenham, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Joan recognized the manor and moiety to be the right of Nicholas as that which Nicholas and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Joan, to Nicholas and the others and the heirs of Nicholas; with warranty by Thomas and Joan, and the heirs of Joan, to Nicholas and the others and the heirs of Nicholas. Consideration three hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/10]

331. Westminster. Three weeks from Michaelmas, anno 17 [20 Oct. 1438]. Justices John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between William Stanlowe, John Stanlowe, Hugh Stanlowe, John Tailboys, Edward Stanlowe, parson of the church of Boby (Lincs.), Thomas Palmer, Robert Rodes, and John Brokley, citizen and clothier of London, *quer.*, and John Clipsham of Cottesmore and Agnes his wife, *deforc.*; of the manor of Cottesmore, with the appurtenances, and of one messuage, one hundred and sixty and a half acres of land, and twenty-three acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Cottesmore and Gretham (plea of covenant); that John and Agnes recognized the manor and holding to be the right of William as that which William and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Agnes, to William and the others and the heirs of William; with warranty by John and Agnes, and the heirs of Agnes, to William and the others and the heirs of William. Consideration three hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/11]

332. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 17 [27 Oct. 1438]. Justices John Juyn, James Strangways, John Cottesmore, and William Paston.

Between John Clypsham and Agnes his wife, John Boyvyle, John Braunspath, and Richard Aldenham, clerk, *quer.*, and John Clerk of Wyssenden and Elizabeth his wife, and Thomas Flore, *deforc.*; of five messuages, seven virgates of land, and six acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that John and Elizabeth and Thomas recognized the holding to be the right of John Clypsham as that which he and the others had by their grant, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Elizabeth, to John and the others and the heirs of John Clypsham; with warranty by John and Elizabeth, and the heirs of Elizabeth, to John and the others and the heirs of John Clypsham. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/9/12]

333. Westminster. Two weeks from Hilary, anno 26 [27 Jan. 1448]. Justices Richard Neuton, Thomas Fulthorp, William Ayscogh, John Portyngton, and Nicholas Ayssheton.

Between Everard Digby and Agnes his wife, *quer.*, and John Clypsham and Agnes his wife, *deforc.*; of five messuages, two hundred and ten acres of land, and six acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that John and Agnes granted the holding to Everard and Agnes and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to them and their issue, of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; and if it happens that Everard and Agnes die without issue, then after their deaths it will remain to the right heirs of Everard. [CP25/1/192/9/13]

334. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 27 [23 May 1449]. Justices John Prysot, Thomas Fulthorp, William Ayscogh, Nicholas Ayssheton, and Peter Ardern.

Between William Alnewyk, bishop of Lincoln, John Fortescu, knight, John Souche, esquire, John Portyngton, justice of Common Bench, Richard Moresby, clerk, William Tresham, esquire, Thomas Palmer, Everard Digby, esquire, William Heton, esquire, William Stanlowe, and John Leynton, *quer.*, and Richard duke of York and Cecily his wife, *deforc.*; of the manor of Hamyldon, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that the duke and Cecily recognized the manor to be the right of Richard Moresby as that which Richard and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Cecily, to the bishop and the others and the heirs of Richard; with warranty by the duke and Cecily, and the heirs of Cecily, to the bishop and the others and the heirs of Richard. Consideration one thousand marks. [CP25/1/192/9/14]

335. Westminster. Morrow of St. John the Baptist, anno 27 [25 Jun. 1449]. Justices John Prysot, Thomas Fulthorp, William Ayscogh, John Portyngton, Nicholas Ayssheton, and Peter Ardern.

Between John Henryson and Joan his wife, *quer.*, and John Beverage and Alice his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, twenty-six acres of land, and two acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Thorp iuxta Seyton (plea of covenant); that John and Alice recognized the holding to be the right of John as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Alice, to John and Joan and the heirs of John; with warranty by John and Alice, and the heirs of Alice, to John and Joan and the heirs of John. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/9/15]

336. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 34 [6 Oct. 1455]. Justices John Prysot, Thomas Fulthorp, Nicholas Ayssheton, Peter Ardern, Robert Danvers, Robert Danby, and Walter Moille.

Between William Lewes, *quer.*, and Thomas Flore, esquire, and Agnes his wife, *deforc.*; of two messuages, with the appurtenances, in Okam (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Agnes recognized the messuage to be the right of William as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Thomas, to William and his heirs; with warranty by Thomas and Agnes, and the heirs of Thomas, to William and his heirs. Consideration forty marks. [CP25/1/192/9/16]

337. Westminster. One week from Michaelmas, anno 35 [6 Oct. 1456]. Justices John Prysot, Thomas Fulthorp, Nicholas Ayssheton, Peter Ardern, Robert Danby, and Walter Moille.

Between John Fortescu, knight, Robert Danvers, William Lee, esquire, Richard Danvers, John Danvers, clerk, John Clyfton, merchant of Calais, Thomas Unton, and Simon Byryngton, clerk, *quer.*, and Robert Inglose of Gunton (Norf.), esquire, and Edmund Wychyngham of Woderysyng (Norf.), gentleman, *deforc.*; of the manor of Pykworth, with the appurtenances, and nine tofts and eight virgates and sixty acres of land, with the appurtenances, in Pykworth, and the advowson of the church of Pykworth (plea of covenant); that Robert and Edmund recognized the manor and holding and advowson to be the right of Simon as that which Simon and the others had by their grant, and they remitted and

quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Robert, to John and the others and the heirs of Simon; with warranty by Robert and his heirs to John and the others and the heirs of Simon. Consideration £200. [CP25/1/192/9/17]

Edward IV (1461-83)

338. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 1 [25 Nov. 1461]. Justices Robert Danby, Nicholas Ayssheton, Peter Ardern, Robert Danvers, Walter Moille, John Nedeham, and Richard Chokke.

Between Fulk Stafford, esquire, and Margaret his wife, *quer*., and John Fraunceys, esquire, and Isabel his wife, *deforc*.; of an annual rent of twenty marks from the manor of Burley, with the appurtenances, (plea of covenant); that John and Isabel granted the rent to Fulk and Margaret and rendered it to them in the same court; to have and to hold to Fulk and Margaret, for the life of Margaret, at two annual terms *viz*. half at Pentecost and half at St. Martin; and if it happens that John and Margaret (*sic*) and the heirs of John fail to pay the rent then Fulk and Margaret, for the life of Margaret, may distrain on the goods and chattels of John and Isabel and the heirs of John within the said manor or elsewhere until full payment has been made; and after Margaret's death John and Isabel and the heirs of John will be quit of the rent. [CP25/1/192/10/1]

339. Westminster. Two weeks from St. Martin, anno 1 [25 Nov. 1461]. Justices Robert Danby, Nicholas Ayssheton, Peter Ardern, Robert Danvers, Walter Moille, John Nedeham, and Richard Chokke. And afterwards two weeks from Easter, anno 2 [2 May 1462], it was granted and recorded before the same justices.

Between Simon Byryngton, clerk, and Thomas Unton, *quer*., and John Asshefeld and Thomas Fastolf son and heir of John Fastolf of Cowhawe, *deforc*.; of the manor of Pykworth, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that John and Thomas recognized the manor to be the right of Simon as that which Simon and Thomas had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Thomas, to Simon and Thomas and the heirs of Simon. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/10/2]

340. Westminster. One week from St. John the Baptist, anno 2 [1 Jul. 1462]. Justices Robert Danby, Nicholas Ayssheton, Peter Ardern, Robert Danvers, Walter Moille, John Nedeham, and Richard Chokke.

Between Thomas Buxhale, clerk, Richard Sapcote the elder, Thomas Flore, esquire, Thomas Breteyn, clerk, Henry Gymbere, William Husee, Richard Marche, William Kysby, chaplain, and Roger Barbour, *quer*., and Eleanor who was the wife of William Sturmy, esquire, and Richard Carlile and Joan his wife, *deforc*.; of two messuages, two tofts, thirteen virgates and one hundred and forty acres of land, forty acres of meadow, one hundred acres of pasture, and forty shillings of rent, with the appurtenances, in Gunthorp, Exton, and Masthorp *alias* Martynsthorp, and of a moiety of the manor of Gunthorp, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Eleanor, Richard, and Joan recognized the holding and moiety to be the right of Richard Sapcote as that which Richard and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Eleanor and Joan, to Thomas, Richard Sapcote, and the others and the heirs of Richard Sapcote; with warranty by Eleanor, Richard, and Joan, and the heirs of Richard, to Thomas, Richard, and the others and the heirs of Richard Sapcote, against Edmund, abbot of Westminster and his successors. Consideration two hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/10/3]

341. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 4 [9 Feb. 1465]. Justices Robert Danby, Nicholas Ayssheton, Peter Ardern, Robert Danvers, Walter Moille, John Nedeham, and Richard Chokke.

Between Gervase Clyfton, esquire, *quer*., and Brian Talbot and Katherine his wife, daughter and heir of John Culpepyr, knight, *deforc*.; of ten messuages, five tofts, nine virgates of land, and eighteen pence of rent, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that Brian and Katherine recognized the holding to be the right of Gervase as that which he had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Katherine, to Gervase and his heirs; with warranty by Brian and Katherine, and the heirs of Katherine, to Gervase and his heirs. Consideration £100. [CP25/1/192/10/4]

342. Westminster. One week from the Purification, anno 17 [9 Feb. 1478]. Justices Thomas Bryan, Richard Chokke, Thomas Littelton, and Richard Neel.

Between Robert Hans, Henry Cokke, William Gaywode, Geoffrey Hampton, William Edgose, and Richard Burton, *quer*., and Robert Stannop, late of Cowyngton, gentleman, and Margaret his wife, *deforc*.; of the manor of Pysbroke, with the appurtenances (plea of covenant); that Robert and Margaret recognized the manor to be the right of Robert Hans as that which Robert and the others had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Margaret, to Robert and the others and the heirs of Robert; with warranty by Robert and Margaret, and the heirs of Margaret, to Robert and the others and the heirs of Robert. Consideration one hundred marks. [CP25/1/192/10/5]

343. Westminster. One month from Michaelmas, anno 21 [27 Oct. 1481]. Justices Thomas Bryan, Richard Chokke, and Richard Neel.

Between Robert Hans and Richard Forster, *quer*., and Brian Talbot and Katherine his wife who was the wife of John Haryngton, knight, *deforc*.; of three mills and twenty-four acres of meadow, with the appurtenances, in Exton (plea of covenant); that Brian and Katherine recognized the holding to be the right of Robert as that which Robert and Richard

had by their gift, and they remitted and quitclaimed, for themselves and the heirs of Katherine, to Robert and Richard and the heirs of Robert; with warranty by Brian and Katherine, and the heirs of Katherine, to Robert and Richard and the heirs of Robert. Consideration one hundred pounds. [CP25/1/192/10/6]

Richard III (1483-85)

344. Westminster. Morrow of Ascension, anno 2 [13 May 1485]. Justices Thomas Bryan, Richard Neel, John Catesby, Humphrey Starky, and Roger Touneshend.

Between William Sapcote, Robert Hardy, and Thomas Sapcote, *quer.*, and Thomas Makworth son of Henry Makworth, *deforc.*; of five messuages, three hundred acres of land, twenty acres of meadow, and twenty acres of pasture, with the appurtenances, in Empyngham, which Henry Makworth, esquire, holds for his life (plea of covenant); that Thomas Makworth recognized the holding to be the right of Thomas Sapcote and granted for himself and his heirs that the holding which Henry holds for his life of the inheritance of Thomas, and which after Henry's death ought to revert to Thomas and his heirs, will remain entire to William, Robert, and Thomas and the heirs of Thomas; to hold of the chief lord of the fee for the customary services; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs to William, Robert, and Thomas Sapcote and the heirs of Thomas. Consideration sixty marks. [CP25/1/192/10/7]

Henry VII (1485-1509)

345. Westminster. The day after Ascension, anno 5 [21 May 1490], and afterwards one week from Holy Trinity in the same year [13 June 1490]. Justices Thomas Bryan, Roger Touneshend, William Danvers, and John Vavasour.

Between William Hody, knight, Reynold Bray, knight, William Smyth, clerk, Richard Emson, and David Philip, *quer.*, and Geoffrey Sherard and Joyce (*Jocosa*), his wife, Thomas Sherard and Margaret, his wife, John Browe and Alice, his wife, and Maurice Berkeley, *deforc.*; of the manors of Wodehed' and Briggecasterton, and forty acres of land, two hundred acres of meadow, a thousand acres of pasture, four hundred acres of wood and £10 of rent in Wodehed, Pikworth, and Briggecasterton (plea of covenant); that Geoffrey, Joyce, Thomas, Margaret, John, Alice and Maurice recognized the manors and tenements to be the right of William Smyth as those which William, William Hody, Reynold, Richard and David have of their gift, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Joyce and Alice to William, Reynold, William, Richard and David and the heirs of William Smyth for ever; with warranty by Geoffrey and Joyce, Thomas and Margaret, John and Alice, and Maurice, and the heirs of Joyce and Alice, to them and the heirs of William Smyth. Consideration £500. [CP25/1/192/11/1]

346. Westminster The day after the Purification of the Blessed Mary, anno 8 [3 February 1493]. Justices Thomas Bryan, Roger Touneshend, William Danvers, and John Vavasour.

Between John Dygby, knight, *quer.*, and William Lewen and Alice, his wife, *deforc.*; of one messuage, forty acres of land, four acres of meadow, and six acres of pasture in Bysbroke (plea of covenant); that William and Alice recognized the tenements to be the right of John as those which he has of their gift, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Alice to him and his heirs for ever; with warranty by William and Alice and the heirs of Alice, to John and his heirs. Consideration £30. [CP25/1/192/11/2]

347. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 11 [1 May 1496]. Justices Thomas Bryan, William Danvers, John Vavasour, and Thomas Wode.

Between John Dygby, knight, and Henry Toky, *quer.*, and Thomas Greneham, esquire, *deforc.*; of one messuage, one mill, forty acres of land, ten acres of meadow and fifty acres of pasture in Pylton, Northluffenham, Sculthorp, and Southluffenham (plea of covenant); that Thomas recognized the tenements to be the right of John as those which John and Henry have of his gift, and has remitted and quitclaimed them from himself and his heirs to John and Henry and the heirs of John for ever; with warranty by Thomas and his heirs to John and Henry and the heirs of John. Consideration 100 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/3]

348. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 13 [13 May 1498]. Justices Thomas Bryan, William Danvers, John Vavasour, and Thomas Wode.

Between Henry Toky, *quer.*, and John Durant, *deforc.*; of three messuages, five tofts, sixty acres of land, nine acres of meadow, and ten acres of pasture in Southluffenham, Northluffenham, Sculthorp, and Morcot (plea of covenant); John recognized the tenements to be the right of Henry as those which he has of his gift, and has remitted and quitclaimed them from himself and his heirs to him and his heirs for ever; with warranty by John to Henry and his heirs. Consideration £20. [CP25/1/192/11/4]

349. Westminster. The day after All Souls, anno 15 [3 November 1499]. Justices Thomas Bryan, William Danvers, John Vavasour, Thomas Wode.

Between Christopher Broun, Thomas Bedyngfeld, Edmund Bedyngfeld, Robert Bedyngfeld, William Elmes and Edward Broun, *quer.*, and Thomas Burton, gentleman, and Margaret, his wife, *deforc.*; of a moiety of the manor of Tolthorp, and one hundred and sixty-four acres of land in Tolthorp (plea of covenant); that Thomas Burton and

Margaret have recognized the moiety and land to be the right of Christopher as those which Christopher, Thomas, Edmund, Robert, William and Edward have of their gift, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Margaret to Christopher, Thomas, Edmund, Robert, William and Edward and the heirs of Christopher for ever; with warranty by Thomas and Margaret and the heirs of Margaret to them and the heirs of Christopher. Consideration 100 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/5]

350. Westminster. The day after All Souls, anno 15 [3 November 1499]. Justices Thomas Bryan, William Danvers, John Vavasour, and Thomas Wode.

Between William Sheffyld of Seyton, *quer.*, and Thomas de Veysy, late of Careby (Lincs.), yeoman, *deforc.*; of one messuage, one hundred acres and one rood of land, and forty acres of pasture in Glaston and Bysbroke (plea of covenant); that Thomas has recognized the tenements to be the right of William as those which he has of his gift, and has remitted and quitclaimed them from himself and his heirs to him and his heirs for ever; with warranty by Thomas to William and his heirs. Consideration 40 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/6]

351. Westminster. One month from St Michael, anno 17 [27 October 1501]. Justices Thomas Wode, William Danvers, and John Vavasour.

Between Christopher Broun, Thomas Bedyngfeld, Edmund Bedyngfeld, William Elmes and Edward Broun, *quer.*, and Thomas Burton and Margaret, his wife, *deforc.*; of two mills, four acres of land, twenty acres of meadow, and thirty acres of pasture in Tolthorp (plea of covenant); that Thomas Burton and Margaret have recognized the tenements to be the right of Christopher as those which Christopher, Thomas Bedyngfeld, Edmund, William and Edward have of their gift, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Margaret to Christopher, Thomas, Edmund, William and Edward and the heirs of Christopher for ever; with warranty by Thomas and Margaret and the heirs of Margaret to them and the heirs of Christopher. Consideration 100 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/7]

352. Westminster. One week from St Martin, anno 18 [18 November 1502]. Justices Thomas Frowyk, William Danvers, John Vavasour, and John Fyssher.

Between Henry Toky, *quer.*, and John Dygby, knight, *deforc.*; one water mill in Northluffenham (plea of covenant); that John has recognized the mill to be the right of Henry, and has remitted and quitclaimed it from himself and his heirs to him and his heirs for ever; with warranty by John and his heirs to Henry and his heirs against John [Islip], abbot of St. Peter, Westminster, and his successors. Consideration 20 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/8]

353. Westminster. One week from the Purification of the Blessed Mary, anno 19 [9 February 1504]. And afterwards two weeks from Easter in the same year [21 April 1504]. Justices Thomas Frowyk, William Danvers, John Vavasour, and John Fyssher.

Between Robert Brudenell and William Cutlerd, serjeants-at-law, and Hugh Assheton, clerk, *quer.*, and Thomas Burton and Margaret, his wife, *deforc.*; of the manor of Tolthorp and the hundred of Parva Casterton, and also eight messuages, eight tofts, two water mills, one pigeonhouse, six hundred acres of land, one hundred and ten acres of meadow, six hundred acres of pasture, eight acres of wood, twenty shillings and two pounds of pepper of rent in Tolthorp, Parva Casterton, Ryall, Belmysthorp, Yngthorp, Tynwell, and Tykyncote, and the advowson of the church of Parva Casterton, and the advowson of the chapel of Tolthorp (plea of covenant); that Thomas and Margaret have recognized the manor, hundred, tenements, rent and advowsons to be the right of Hugh, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Margaret to Robert, William and Hugh and the heirs of Hugh for ever; with warranty by Thomas and Margaret and the heirs of Margaret, to them and the heirs of Hugh. Consideration £200. [CP25/1/192/11/9]

354. Westminster. One week from St Martin, anno 21 [18 November 1505]. Justices Thomas Frowyk, John Vavasour, John Fyssher, and John Kyngesmyll.

Between Agnes Wareyn, widow, Francis Wareyn, and James Wareyn, *quer.*, and Walter Mey and Joan, his wife, and Miles Lambert and Elizabeth, his wife, *deforc.*; of four messuages, fifty-four acres of land, four acres of meadow, and twelve acres of pasture in Market Overton and Okeham (plea of covenant); that Walter, Joan, Miles, and Elizabeth have recognized the tenements to be the right of Agnes, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Joan and Elizabeth to Agnes, Francis and James and the heirs of Agnes for ever; with warranty by Walter and Joan and Miles and Elizabeth for themselves and the heirs of Joan and Elizabeth to them and the heirs of Agnes. Consideration 40 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/10]

355. Westminster. One month from Easter, anno 23 [21 May 1508]. Justices Robert Rede, John Fyssher, John Kyngesmyll, and John Boteler.

Between Nicholas Worley, Paul Alexander and Thomas Halys, *quer.*, and John Grene and Anne, his wife, and Robert Cressy and Margaret, his wife, *deforc.*; of two messuages, one hundred and twelve acres of land, sixty-six acres of meadow, forty acres of pasture, and ten acres of wood in Aston and Bysebroke (plea of covenant); that John, Anne, Robert, and Margaret have recognized the tenements to be the right of Thomas as those which Thomas, Nicholas and Paul have of their gift, and have remitted and quitclaimed them from themselves and the heirs of Anne and Margaret to Nicholas, Paul and Thomas and the heirs of Thomas for ever; with warranty by John and Anne and Robert and Margaret, for themselves and the heirs of Anne and Margaret, to Nicholas, Paul, and Thomas and the heirs of Thomas, against John [Islip], abbot of St. Peter, Westminster, and his successors. Consideration 100 marks. [CP25/1/192/11/11]

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Medieval Property Transactions in Rutland

Abstracts of Feet of Fines 1197-1509

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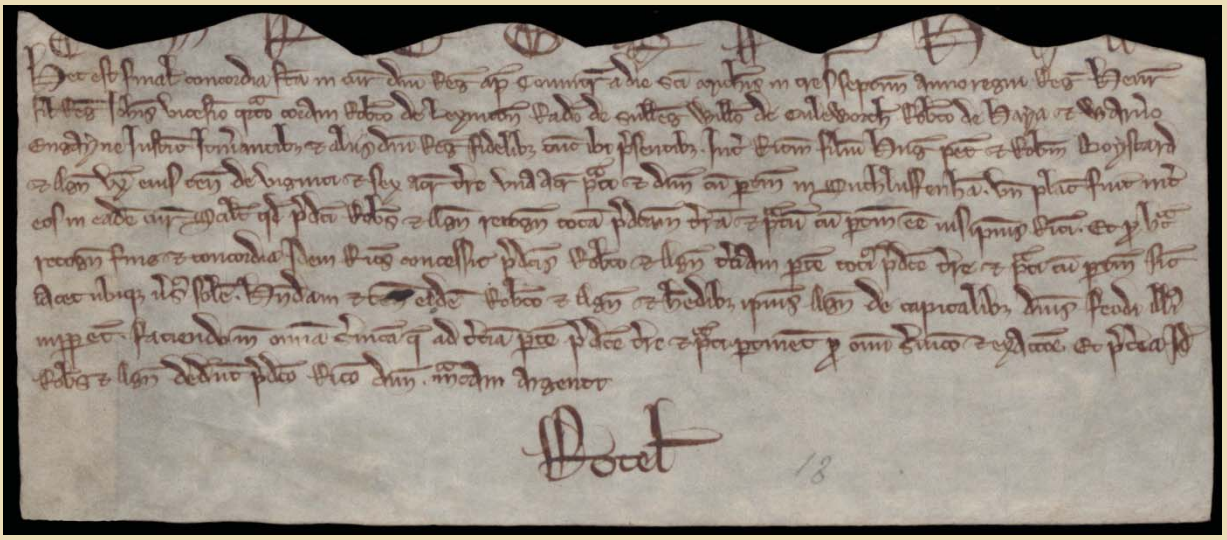
The 'final concord' or agreement of each transaction was copied in triplicate by clerks of the king's court; each party to the agreement kept one part while the third part, the 'foot', was retained by the court. By no means all such transactions were so recorded, but these 'feet' survive in large numbers as an unparalleled record of land transfers.

Here Bridget Wells-Furby provides a calendar of all 355 feet of fines in the single county series for Rutland. They are an important source for manorial histories and genealogical studies but they also record the transfer of smaller freeholdings which did not amount to manors, thus shedding light on lower ranks of society. Some include important topographical information on land holdings and other assets such as mills, fisheries, and advowsons; a few record names of tenants.

This edition provides a detailed summary in English of each of the fines. There are full indexes of the names of persons and places, the names of the justices, and of subjects, and a glossary. The introduction describes and explains the format of the fines, and discusses some of the ways the fines may be used. It includes an analysis of the appearance of women in the fines, the relationship of the fines to the manorial and political geography of the county, and some examples of how and to what end the fines were used by contemporaries. It is an invaluable source of information for anyone interested in the early history of Rutland.



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