

The Court Rolls of the Manor of Curry Rivel in the years of the Black Death, 1348-9.

WITH A TRANSLATION OF THE ROLLS OF THE COURTS FOR THOSE YEARS.

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THE Manor of Curry Rivel was probably from its earliest days part of the domain of the West Saxon kings. Domesday tells us that it was ancient demesne, and not liable to geld nor assessed in hides, and formed, with North and South Petherton, a ferm of one night, Curry being a fifth of the whole; also that a virgate of land which Britel held of the Count of Mortain had been taken away from the manor, and that in the Church of Curry there was half a hide, and there a priest had one plough.

It is noticeable that Curry Rivel being in the Hundred of Abdick is the one exception to the rule, that the Hundred takes its name from the Royal Manor which is the head of it, in this case probably to prevent confusion with the Hundred of North Curry.

The manor continued in the Crown till the reign of Richard I, when it was granted to Richard Revel, or Rivel, Sheriff of Devon (8 to 10 Richard I), from whom it received its distinguishing affix; his daughter, Sabina, carried the manor to the family of L'Orti or De Urtiaco, of which family there is an account in the *Somerset Arch. Proc.* for 1896, by the Rev. E. H. Bates.

The last of this family, John, sold the interests he had in the Manors of Curry Rivel, Hambridge, Broadway and Earnshill, to William de Montacute; later it came to Beauforts, and in *temp.* Henry VII to the Bishop of Bath and Wells and the Bishop of London, as trustees of the Countess of Richmond; in 30 Henry VIII it was granted to the Duke of Norfolk, and in 5 Elizabeth to Henry Lord Strange and the Lady Margaret, his wife, with remainder to the heirs of Charles, late Duke of Suffolk; and in 42 Elizabeth it came into the possession of Roger Forte, formerly steward of the manor. In 1678 Forte's representatives conveyed the manor to John Lovering of Wear Gifford, whose descendants retained possession of it down to the nineteenth century.

As the lord of this manor possessed a right of driving, or preying as it was anciently called, West Sedgemoor, West Moor, Week Moor, and the forest of Roche als. Neroche, also of taking in strangers' cattle for agistment, which was called the right of letting lease fees, the Court Rolls of this manor seem to have been carefully handed down from one possessor to another. This right gave rise to frequent disputes between the lord and the tenants. I find that in 1602 no less than 890 of these lease fees were sold, as the tenants said, to their great detriment.

These Manorial Rolls have scarcely hitherto received the attention they deserve, for they are the oldest of our parochial records and take back parish history far further than any other documents, and entering in, as they do, to the minutest details, they not only illustrate the gradual development of land laws and customs, but are also rich in items of local and family history. They exist still in thousands stowed away unheeded in the muniment rooms of country mansions, or slowly decaying in the cupboards and boxes of lawyers' offices. Some, alas, find their way into the shops of dealers in old deeds and documents, who periodically issue catalogues in which they are priced at a few shillings each. They are written in Court

hand in abbreviated Latin, with here and there an English word, when the scribe was at a loss for its Latin equivalent, on strips of parchment about nine inches in width and two or three feet, sometimes more, in length.

The proceedings of the Manor Courts were in this way recorded by the presiding steward till the seventeenth century, when the entries were usually made in the more convenient form of paper books and English was substituted for Latin.

With regard to Curry Rivel, the oldest existing Court Roll I know of, is the record of the Courts legal held on the morrow of St. Gregory in the 16th year of King Edward III from the Conquest, the Saturday after the feast of St. John atte Latin gate, the Friday on the Vigil of St. Lawrence, and the Tuesday after the feast of All Saints, and consists of four membranes, each about nine inches wide and two feet long, closely written on both the front and back of each membrane. The earliest existing Court Baron, or Halimote, as it is called, is in the reign of Henry V, and from these dates there is a fairly continuous series down to modern times.

To enter into the whole of these would be far beyond the limits of a paper, and I propose to deal only with those that take in the period of the Black Death.

The great pestilence, commonly known as the Black Death, came between the great English victories of Crecy (1346) and Poitiers (1356); it swept away probably half the population of England, and produced nothing less than a revolution in the religious, social, and agricultural history of England, for the sudden sweeping away of the population brought to an abrupt termination the old feudal system of lords, villeins, cottars, and serfs; the scarcity of labour made that system utterly impossible, and it marks the beginning of English parochial history and the rise of the middle classes.

The first rumour of it that reached the parish of Curry Rivel was a pastoral letter of Ralph of Shrewsbury, Bishop of Bath and Wells, sent out on 17th August, 1348, ordering pro-

cessions and stations in every parish church to beg God to protect the people from the pestilence that had come from the East into the neighbouring kingdom (*Harl. MSS.* 6965). The bishop wrote a neighbouring kingdom, but it had already arrived in the neighbouring county of Dorset and in a few weeks it had spread all over Somerset, and so terrible was the effect of the scourge on the clergy of Somerset that on the 17th of the following January the bishop in another pastoral tells us that many of the Somersetshire parishes were left destitute of clergy, with no one to visit the sick or administer the Sacraments, and bids his flock that if they should be taken ill and could find no clergy, to make confession of their sins according to the teaching of the Apostles even to a layman, and if a man was not at hand even to a woman, for such confession could be most salutary and profitable to them for the remission of their sins according to the teaching and sacred canons of the Church, and if they could obtain no priest to administer the Sacrament, faith must as in other matters suffice (*Wilkins' Concilia*, II, p. 735),

Some idea of the extent of the mortality of the Somerset clergy may be gathered from the fact that with 297 ancient benefices in the county there were 219 presentations in the six months of December, 1348, to May, 1349 (*Weaver's Somerset Incumbents*).

Before the Black Death reached Curry Rivel the district would seem to have been somewhat thickly populated for that period. At the Court legal held on Tuesday next after the feast of the Purification of the B.V.M., the 22nd year of King Edward III, there are thirty-five names of tenants at Cory, nine names at Bradewaye, who had broken assize of ale, and twenty-three names at Capelond, two of whom are also in first list of tenants—this would make a total of sixty-five heads of houses named. At the Court, Monday after Christmas, 21 Edward III, there are most of the former names and twenty-four others. At the Court legal and view of Frank-

pledge, the Saturday before St. Luke, 21 Edward III, besides many of the names in the former roll there is a long list of those presented for trespass in the lord's preserves : sixteen at Curry, one at Broadwaye, and forty-four at Capelond ; among these, however, are included Richard Twynch, Rector of Alre, John, the Chaplain of Bradwey, Roger, Vicar of Kingsbury, and the Abbot of Muchelney ; indeed, all records of olden days seem to shew that the clergy were pretty ardent sportsmen in those times. This makes a total of about 150 tenants, of whom we may estimate 140 as residents on the manor, which would give a population of 700, taking five to the house as a basis. The names that occur in the list of tenants, as the earliest list of names of residents in the parish, will doubtless be of some local interest, and I therefore give them in full. The names of the clergy given may also possibly supply some gaps in the lists of incumbents : with regard to the parson of Curry an entry concerning him is interesting as shewing a peculiar tenure.

Walter de Goppeheye hath entry into a virgate of land and meadow at Bynedych, called Lovehull, which John de Midelney, late parson of Cory, held, doing suit to the lord one rose yearly (Court legal and view of Frankpledge, Michaelmas Term, Saturday next before the feast of St. Luke, Evangelist, 21 Edward III).

LIST OF TENANTS BEFORE THE BLACK DEATH,
21 AND 22 EDWARD III.

Nicholas Gurdemure.
William de Pillonde.
William del Urcie, Kt.
Thos. de Goundenham.
Simon de ffurneaux.
Robert Sentclere.

ffelicia Tapperes.
Roger Hamond.
John Shakesers.
John Selke of Putteneye.
Isabel Brewestere.
Christine le Hyne.

William Quyntrel.	Robert Tappere.
Richard Upehull.	Walter Godefre.
Thomas Countenill.	Thomas Balls.
John Budde.	Laurence Brok.
John Ripon.	Edith Gardiner.
Walter de Totyete.	John Walters.
John Honte.	Alexander Chepman.
Petronella de Burton.	Nicholas Dalewude.
John atte Ashe als. Nasshe.	Thos. Crosse, Parson of
Thomas de Middleneye, Exor. of	Cory Rivet.
John de Middleneye, Parson of	Walter fforester.
the Church of Cory Rivell.	John Prest.
Robert atte Welle.	Joan Thornden.
Richard Clavett.	William Phelip.
Adam Tailor.	Thomas ffairwhit.
William Knap.	William Baldwyn.
Robert de Hertecombe.	Robert de Wyke.
Richard atte Hele.	William Morward.
Edward servant of Gilot atte	John Woderous.
Hele.	John atte Slo.
Robert atte Hele.	William Patecombe.
Nicholas atte Broke and Agnes	John de Arderne.
his wife.	Richard atte Spense.
John de Hertcumbe.	John Paveli.
John le Neel.	John Craft.
Ralph Jurdan.	John Edinesone.
Roger Spril.	Alice la Haward.
Thomas Gardiner.	Richard Purs.
John Pramard.	William le Webbe.
John Silueyn.	William Beautel.
John Gainard clerk.	Martin Goudred.
Richard Coppe.	Richard Twynch.
Nicholas ffichet.	John Langley.
John Sherston.	
John le Heliere.	

BRADEWAYE.

Nicholas Baker.	Adam Swifot.
Thomas Hastyns.	Ralph Rugge.
Walter Renges (?).	Richard Woodward.
Thomas Tamde (?).	John Dunsterre.
John atte Water.	Roger Lorymer.

CAPELOND.

John Spyne	} Freemen.	Adam White.
William de Pillaunde		Christine Tappestre.
John Roul		Joan Buttes.
Thos. Roul	 Michell.
David Launcy		Joan Damet.
Nicholas Gardemare		John Wakteres.
Thomas Hastyns		Adam Cartere.
John Randolph		John Nel.
John Silvestre		William Bile.
Ralph de Middelney		Thomas Maleward.
Ivo de Chilecombe		William Patecombe.
Hugh Midewynter		
Hugh atte Well		

CAPELOND.

Richard Joye, Freeman.	Richard Woderove.
William Poulet.	William Beaudoutz.
Thos. le ffrenshe.	Adam Parker.
Joan Budeport.	Richard atte Bakhouse.
William ffoxditch.	Margery atte Brouke.
Garsgoine de Hampnes.	Christine ffarel.
John Somer.	Gilot atte Hele.
Matilda Axhulle.	William Golde.
John Wilteshire.	John the Chaplain of
William Romved (?)	Bradweye.

Alice servant of William Knap, reeve.	Roger, Vicar of Kynges- bury.
Lucy Scule.	John Southeye.
William Pecok.	Richard Brian.
John le Theccher.	Adam Durman.
John le Hert.	Henry Smert.
The Abbot of Muchelney.	John Molyne.
Richard Twynch Rector of Alre.	Robert Masson de Long- brok.
John Gilberd.	John Northovere.
John Nottovere.	John Cantok.
Margery Skonke, shepherd.	William Haukyn.
John Pippyng.	William Wildgos.
John Glyde.	Henry le Vele.
	John Tappyn.

All the above were presented for trespass in the lord's preserve. In these lists the only duplicate names are Nicholas Gardemere who appears under both Curry and Capelond, and Thomas Hastyngs who appears under Bradweye and Capelond, there are also two names given of parsons of Curry Rivell, Middeneye, who had died, and Crosse his successor.

The Black Death would appear to have reached Curry Rivel sometime after the middle of October and the beginning of December, 1348. At the Court Legal and view of Frankpledge held on Thursday next after the octave of St. Michael, there are no deaths whatever among the tenants of the Manor, but a foretoken of it can be seen in the murrain that had broken out among the cattle after the very wet summer, and there was one case of common essoin from sickness. The entries in this roll are only ordinary ones of essoins, pleas of debts and distrainments, though it is perhaps of interest to note that Reginald Prentent was in mercy for appropriating to himself the soil of the Lord of Westmoor, and also of the King's Way between Hambrigge and Gosebradene whereon he makes default of his

law, and the Abbot of Muchelney who is often in evidence in Curry records, has to answer for that he and his servants have unjustly appropriated the lord's soil by the lord's park, by ploughing, etc., and trespass at the Sandeputtles. There is also a curious revenue this year of 14s. 6d., and six capons from "*Capitagium garcōnum*," which I suppose must be translated as "*chevage of the servants*;" chases of the moors also brought in 67s., a somewhat large sum. But at the next Court held on Thursday next after the feast of St. Lucy the Virgin (Dec. 13th) 22 Edward III, there are no less than 18 deaths of tenants recorded. We have no means of ascertaining how many died, as it is only the deaths of occupiers of land that are noted, but all contemporary authorities agree in stating that the disease was always most virulent and spread rapidly where any number were gathered together, and that when once it seized upon any house it usually claimed many victims, if there was a wife of the tenant we generally have some information, as according to the custom of the manor, she had a right to remain in the tenement and did fealty for it before the homage, so in ten of these cases, a wife is mentioned by name; but in three of them the wife had also died after her husband, and so a double heriot was payable, and in another case Lucy, the wife of Thomas Knap who held of the lord a messuage and ferdell of land and was dead, comes and surrenders the said tenement into the hands of the lord by reason of poverty and it remains vacant, probably all else in the household had died and there was no one to help her. In eight cases it is recorded that the tenement remained vacant in the lord's hand. Two new tenants only are admitted. The land generally was held in villenage, the holdings consisting of a messuage, with either a virgate, a half virgate, or a ferdell, the heriots being two oxen, one ox, a heifer, etc., and in case of cottages with curtilages one hen.

There is one curious entry in this Roll: it was presented that a certain unknown thief came, and in this liberty, waived

chattels price 13d., and so sold here in Court by the steward, was it that the thief died of the plague in the very act of plunder from a plague stricken house.

During the next three months the plague increased at Curry Rivel, and reached its highest point at the Court of the term of St. Hilary, held on the Wednesday next after the feast of St. Matthias, Apostle, (Feb. 24, 1348-9). Thirty-five deaths of tenants are reported, of whom fourteen were in Bradeweys, this would represent that about one-fourth of the occupiers in the manor had died in the preceding ten weeks, and of these sixteen tenements are presented as being vacant, and in the lord's hands, there being no successor, or no one to come forward and take them, the double heriots presented at the last Court had evidently made a deep impression, and the successors of some of the holders made provision that full fines should not be payable in case they should also die of the plague. Accordingly we find the following entries :—

Walter atte Wood, who hath a messuage and virgate of land, hath closed his last day, whereupon there falls to the lord of heriot one ox, price 4s., and upon this, Richard atte Wood, son of the said Walter, gives to the lord of fine 33s. 4d., to have entry into the said tenement rendering and doing the service, etc., paying the fine at Easter, 13s. 4d., at feast of St. John Baptist, 6s. 8d., and at the feast of St. Michael, 13s. 4d., by pledge of Robert Harecomb and John Harecomb. And it was granted the said Richard that if he happened to die after the feast of Easter, after any term of the terms aforesaid payment of the fine for the aforesaid subsequent terms shall altogether cease. So John Strode, who gives a fine of 20s. to hold in villenage a tenement, rendering and doing the services, etc., and paying a fine at the feasts of Easter and St. Michael by pledge of Robert Hertcombe and Philip Parcar, and it was granted the said John that if he happened to die after Easter, the payment of fine at Michaelmas should altogether cease. These precedents might be brought before the present

Chancellor of the Exchequer in cases of lands which are called on to pay double death duties in one year. In this Roll there are ten cases of wives who survived their husbands and succeeded to their tenements according to the customs of the Manor, but here again we find the widow surrendering the estate even when the arable ground had been planted.

Robert Hamond who held a messuage and ferdell of land in villenage is dead, by whose death there falls of heriot $\frac{1}{2}$ an ox, price 4s., and Matilda, wife of the said Roger, surrenders here in Court the whole estate she may have in the aforesaid tenement, according to the custom, and there remains two acres sown with corn upon the said tenement to the use of the lord. So also, Agnes atte Hele, who held a messuage and ferdell of land after the death of John Virly, late her husband, comes and surrenders the said tenement into the lord's hands together with the crop of four acres of corn growing upon the said tenement which remains to the use of the lord.

There are, however, three cases in which a son or daughter succeeds, and one in which a sister does so, and in this Roll there are seven entries of fines paid by new tenants for entering into holdings that had come into the lord's hands. The grist mill however at Bradeway, a class of holding generally considered most desirable, remained vacant by the death of David Taillor on the feast of the Purification.

The tenements that became vacant by deaths in this Roll are most variable in size. Three are described as being one virgate, ten as half a virgate, seven as a ferdell, one as a carucate, one as two parts of half a virgate, two as ten acres, one seven acres, one six acres, one five acres, three two acres, one two-and-a-half acres, three one acre, and one half-an-acre. Most of the holdings that were in acres were in Bradewaye. With regard to the heriots, they were generally an ox, though we find $\frac{1}{2}$ an ox, 3 parts of a cow, the explanation of these half-beasts which is somewhat peculiar, is probably that the tenement had been divided, and consequently the heriot. There

are also heriots of one acre of corn, $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre of corn, as well as one horse, price 20d., and a porker.

Other entries of interest in this Roll are, William de Pillande, who held a virgate at Burton in fee, the heriot being an ox, price $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark that had been taken away, also the said William held four ferdells of land at Westend in Poterfield, nothing fell of heriot because it was without a messuage, also the said William held in Bradeway at le Apse, a messuage and one carucate of land with appurtenances by royal services, and the said tenements were devised to the parson of Doneate, rendering therefrom yearly, four pounds at four terms, and whether for term of life or years, they know not. The afore-said parson was to be distrained to show what he has, and why he should hold the said tenements.

Robert de Hertecombe and William Phelpes, keepers of the goods of the Church of Cory Rivel (evidently the Churchwardens), complainants, offer themselves against John Nasshe and Richard atte Wode, exors. of the will of Walter atte Wode of a plea of debt, who are summoned and do not come, therefore it is commanded to attach them thereupon. Evidently something had been left by the will of Walter atte Wode to the Church, which was not forthcoming from the executors.

In spite of the plague, trespass in the Lord's preserves went on pretty extensively, 20 tenants being fined, the attachments of the parker being 5s. 4d.

The next Roll is that of the Court held the Monday after the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary, the 23rd Edward III. This Roll shews that the pestilence was fast abating, only ten deaths of tenants are presented, and seventeen tenements are presented as being still in the Lord's hands, but the life of the Manor was again beginning to pursue its normal course, and new tenants were coming forth more readily to pay the fine of land, and have entry into the tenements, but as I propose to give in the appendix to this paper

a full translation of this Roll, I shall not comment on it, though it contains several points of interest.

The next Court was held at the term of Hockday, the Monday after the feast of St. John atte Latin Gate, (May 6), 23 Edward III, in this only one death is presented, though many of the tenements were still in the lord's hand, and it may be considered that at this date the pestilence had come to an end as far as Curry Rivel was concerned.

The total deaths from October, 1348, to the end of March, 1349, is therefore 63, and taking the number of tenants at 150, and assuming that a proportional number of the other inhabitants died—the deaths would have been about two-fifths of the total population in six months. If this is compared with other Somerset Manors of which the records have been preserved during this period, for instance, Chedzoy (Br. Mus. Add. Mss. Roll, 15961-6), it would seem that the Black Death passed over Curry Rivel with a much lighter toll, and disappeared more quickly than it did in other parishes. All effects of it seem to have passed away by the early summer of 1349, while in other parts of England it was still at its worst. At Curry, the worst period was December, 1348, to February, 1348-9, in this it will correspond fairly with the high water mark of institutions to benefices, though at Chedzoy, the worst period was some weeks after Curry. Again we find at Curry, little interference with the ancient method of tenure and cultivation, the land continued to be held in villenage, and a fair supply of new tenants under the old conditions was forthcoming, although down to 1350, which is as far as I have examined the Rolls, many of the smaller tenements are still in the lord's hands, which would point to a larger mortality among the cottars than the villani. Life indeed in the village during this period seems to have run very much its normal course, except for its excessive mortality, there is no reference whatever to the plague by name, nor were men deterred by it from poaching, trespass in the lord's preserves or other lawless pursuits. Indeed, what strikes us

most in examining the records of Curry at this period is how much less difference it made there from what the writings of contemporaries and the works of Dr. Jessop and Abbot Gasquet had led us to expect. Is it that Curry Rivel was a favoured spot, or have other writers overdrawn the picture?

I have not attempted therefore to tell the tale of the Black Death at Curry, in the vivid pictures in which the desolation of the Plague in East Anglia has been described by Dr. Jessop, nor to draw upon my imagination to fill in gaps on which the Court Rolls are silent as Abbot Gasquet has done in his Black Death, but have tried to let the Manor Rolls tell their own story in their own way—only translating into English, entries that in their fearful contracted Latin and difficult Court hand are a closed book to the majority—this may be less interesting to the hearer or reader, but it is more accurate, and therefore more useful to the enquirer and historian.

In conclusion, I would add a translation of a quaint and touching petition, which written on a scrap of parchment in old Norman French, is attached to the series of Rolls I have described:—

“To the honorable lord if it may please him, beseecheth his poor nurse, Agnes de Harecombe, that whereas Peter Potage, who held of you a messuage and five acres of land at Bradewaye, in your Manor of Curry Ryvel, rendering 6d. per annum, has been summoned to God. May it please you sire, to grant to your said nurse in lieu of lodging, the said tenement freely for term of her life, rendering per annum the rent which the said Peter paid.”

At the foot of the petition is written:—

“Petition granted and livery of the tenement by the lord.”

Alas poor Agnes, she did not live long to enjoy her little tenement, for ere a year, Herddesheye in Bradewaye, was again vacant in the lord's hand.

[Translation.]

ROLLS OF COURTS HELD AT THE MANOR OF
CVRRY RIVELL, Co. SOMT.,*in the years of the Great Plague, 23 Edward III, 1348-50.*COURT ROLL OF CORY REVELL, DEC., 1348, AND COURT
AND VIEW OF FRANKPLEDGE, MICH., 1348.

(memb. 6).

Cory Ryvell. Court held there on Thursday next after the feast of St. Lucy virgin, the 22nd year of the reign of King Edward the 3rd from the Conquest.

[The usual distrains and amercements.]

[Breaches of assize of ale. Fines 10s. 9d.]

CORY.

The tithing man presents that Robt. atte Hele who held a virgate of land in villenage is dead, by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot one ox price $\frac{1}{2}$ mark Heriot 1 ox.
And Isabella who was wife of said Robert remains in said tenement according to the custom of the manor
And let it be remembered by the whole homage And she does fealty.

John Virly who held a messuage and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of land at le hele and one messuage and a ferdell of land at Cory is dead and there falls of heriot 2 oxen And Agnes Heriot 2 oxen.
his wife remains in the said tenement according &c.

William Geffrey who held a messuage and ferdell of land and a cottage with curtilage in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one ox And Christina his wife Heriot 1 ox.
remains in said tenement &c.

Christina atte Hele who held a messuage and half a virgate of land in villenage is dead And said tenement Remains.
remains vacant.

Robert Elys who held a cottage with curtilage is dead
 Heriot 1 hen. and there falls of heriot one hen And said cottage and
 Remains &c. curtilage remain in the hand of the lord.

John Honte who held a messuage and ferdell of land
 Heriot a heifer. in villenage and there falls of heriot one heifer price 5s.
 Remains &c. And said tenement remains vacant in the lord's hand.

Thomas Knap who held of the lord a messuage and
 Heriot 1 hen. ferdell of land is dead And there falls of heriot one hen
 and no animal And Lucy his wife comes and said tene-
 Remains in ment was surrendered into the hands of the lord by
 lord's hand. reason of poverty And it remains vacant.

Adam Cartere who held a messuage and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of
 Heriot 1 ox. land is dead and there falls of heriot one ox price viijs.
 Remains &c. And said tenement remains vacant.

William Wyldgous who held a mess. and ferdell of
 Heriot 1 hen. land is dead and there falls of heriot one hen and upon
 this

Fine of lands. John Somersete gives to the lord of fine for entry 10s.
 Rendering and doing the services &c.

John le Smith who held a mess. and ferdell of land
 Heriot 1 cow. in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one cow
 price 5s. and Joan his wife survived him and remained
 in the tenement aforesaid And afterwards she died and
 Heriot 1 there falls of heriot one heifer price 2s. And said tene-
 heifer. ment remains vacant in the lord's hands.
 Remains &c.

Nicholas ffychet who held a mess. and ferdell of land
 Heriot 1 is dead and there falls of heriot one heifer And Christina
 heifer. his wife remains in the said tenement according to the
 custom and does fealty.

Richard Cotyn who held a mess. and half a virgate of
 Heriot 1 ox. land is dead and there falls of heriot one ox price 10s.
 And Joan his wife remains in said tenement &c. And
 now she is dead and there falls of heriot one ox price 7s.
 [7s.] Heriot And the tenement remains vacant in the lord's hand.
 1 ox.

Matilda atte Tounesend who held a cottage with cur-

tilage is dead and there falls of heriot one hen And the tenement remains vacant in the lord's hand. Heriot 1 hen.

Richard Honte who held a mess. and half a virgate of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one young ox (bovettus) price vs. And Agnes his wife remains in the tenement aforesaid according to custom &c. Heriot 1 young ox.

And Joan Huchens has made a rescue upon John Contock collector of the King's wool of one pig Therefore let her be attached to answer thereon.

BRADWEYE. (memb. 6 dorse).

Nicholas Spred who held a mess. and 5 acres of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one hogget pig price 8*d.* And Matilda his wife remains in said tenement. Heriot 1 hoggett.

Matilda Sopere who held a mess. with curtilage containing one acre of land is dead And nothing falls of heriot because there was nothing And upon this Heriot nil.

Thomas Roules and John his son give 18*d.* for entry into said tenement To hold in villenage &c. Fine of land 18*d.*

Richard Wodeward who held freely for term of life a mess. with curtilage and one acre of land and 6 acres of meadow is dead And Lettice his wife claims to hold the said tenement for life as conjointly &c. with said Richard So it is commanded to distrain her to show &c. Conjointly [enfeoffed. [Show deeds.

[Breaches of Assize of Ale. 13 persons fined from 6*d.* to 1*s.* 6*d.*—total 11*s.* 6*d.*]

It has been given to understand that David Launty who held a water-mill at BradeweYE had allowed it to fall into decay So it is commanded to distrain him to answer. [Water mill. Distraint.

CAPELOND.

The tithing man with four others (se quinto) comes and presents nothing.

It is commanded to distrain William le Eyr de SowY Baldwyn de Wyke and all others the tenants of Reginald Distraints.

Hussee to be at the next court to do fealty and other services.

Attachments
of the Reaper
and Warrener

Some 40 persons attached for trespasses on the lord's preserves.

Chattels
waived 13*d.*
[abandoned].

It was presented that a certain unknown thief came and in this liberty waived chattels price 13*d.* And so sold here in Court by the steward.

Fine of land
12*d.*

John Lymternere Heliere gives of fine 12*d.* for entry into a cottage with curtilage which Matilda atte Tounesende formerly held. To hold in villenage &c. And distrained to do fealty.

Sum [of perquisites] 29*s.* 8*d.*

Fines of land 12*s.* 6*d.*

Heriots 3 heifers 8 oxen 1 cow 1 young ox (bovettus)
1 hogget and 4 hens.

Chattels waived 13*d.*

Murrain 8 porkers.

Expenses 2*s.* 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ *d.*

CORY RYVEL. (memb. 7).

Court legal and view of frankpledge held there at Michaelmas term, Thursday next after the octave of St. Michael, the 22nd year of the reign of King Edward the 3rd from the Conquest.

Essoins.

Richard Jakes de Oth (?) defends against Robert atte Wille de Cory Riuell of a plea of debt—by Robert Cat.

Adam Swift against Roger Spril of a plea of trespass—by Adam Prat.

William de Alyngton defends that he is in the service of the lord King against Edward Hastings of a plea of trespass—by Tho. Hackeley.

[Taylor]
[i.e. sickness]

John Sartor of common essoin.

[Pleas of debts, etc., and distrains, extracts of the most interesting entries below.]

As often before it is commanded to distrain Thos. de Middeldnye executor of the will of John de Middeldnye late parson of the church of Cory Rivel to answer John Ripon of a plea of debt.

It is commanded to attach William le Smith of Ile Abbots to answer John Honte of a plea of debt.

Reginald Prentent in mercy for appropriating to himself the soil of the lord of Wastmore and also of the King's way between Hambrigge and Gosebradene whereon he makes default of his law.

The Abbot of Michelney to answer for that he and his servants have unjustly appropriated the lord's soil by the lord's park by ploughing &c.

[Trespass at the "Sandpattes."]

BRADWAY. (memb. 7 dors).

The tithing man presents that Joan Dunsterre has justly raised the hue upon Matilda atte Okes therefore said Matilda in mercy pledge Peter Potage.

Matilda atte Okes in mercy for a trespass made on Joan Dunsterre in that she has beaten her unjustly to the damage of 2*d*. Let execution be done thereon.

The whole tithing in mercy because they have not all their measures And for other sundry concealments.

CAPELOND.

The tithing man comes and says that all is well and presents nothing.

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John Selueyn gives to the lord 12*d*. for his suit until the feast of St. Michael.

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Trespases on the lord's preserves very numerous. Fines amount to 12*s*. 4*d*.

[Capitagium
garconum.]

Chevage of the servants this year 14s. 6d. and 6 capons.

Murrain.

The carcase inspectors present of murrain 2 oxen and 2 porkers dead by misadventure and not by default of keepers.

Chases.

The Reaper presents of the chases of Seggmor and Wykmor lxiiijs. Also of Westmor iijs.

Sum of Court 41s. 1½d.

Chevage of the servants 14s. 3d. 6 capons.

Chases of moors 67s.

Murrain as appears above.

Expenses of the Steward for this Court and hundred of expenses of John de Alyngton and John de Chedesey vs. vijd. ob. 9.

COURT ROLL OF THE MANOR OF CURY RYVEL,
23 EDWARD III.

CURY RYVEL. (memb. 1).

Court held there on the Wednesday in the feast of St. Mary Magdalen, the xxij year of the reign of King Edward the Third after the Conquest.

Distrainments.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Thomas son and heir of John de Langeforde to do his fealty to the lord and to answer of pleas of default of common suit. And to answer why he hath withdrawn a yearly rent of one mother sheep, one hogster,¹ one lamb for lands and tenements which he held of the lord in ffyfhide.

Distrainments.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Thomas of Goudeham, Symon of ffurneaux, the Abbot of Muchelney, Margery Mynstokes, William de Poulet, to do homage and fealty to the lord and other services. And to answer of pleas of default.

1. A sheep in its second year.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Robert Seincler to show by what service he claims to hold his tenements in Andrews. Distraints.

There still remains one heifer forthcoming of estrays which has remained here from the feast of the Apostles Peter and Paul the xxij year of the King that now is And the bailiff answers that he hath made proclamation thereof in the market &c. And it hath remained here for a year and a day or more, not claimed &c. Therefore in the hands of the lord Whereupon the reeve shall be charged &c. Estrays one heifer.

As often before it was commanded to distrain the heir of William le Eir de Sowy, Osmond Gouwer, John Trote and William Goyer sometime tenant of Reginald Hasee to do their fealty to the lord. Distraints.

As often before it was commanded John son and heir of Thomas Hastyns to do homage to the lord. Distrain.

As often before it was commanded to attach all the goods and chattels being upon the tenement which William Polland held in Burton until there shall be satisfied of a heriot of the said William to wit of one ox price half a mark. Attachment.

It was commanded to distrain the tenant of the lands and tenements which were of William Polland at Apse to show what he hath for himself and why he claims to hold the tenements aforesaid. Distrain.
[Evidences.]

It was further as at other times commanded to distrain John de Beauchamp, Ralph de Middelun [Iuo de Childecomb] because a tenant of John Selueyn to the lord king (? he answers) to answer of pleas of default of common suit &c. Distrain.
[Erasure and interlineation.]

Still one messuage and 1 virgate of land which Robert atte Hole held, one mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land which Roger le Bakere held, one mess. and one ferdell of land which David le Tailleur held, one mess. and one ferdell Tenements in the lord's hands.

which Agnes atte Hole held, one mess. and one ferdell of land which Robert Uppehulle held, one cottage with curtilage and two acres of land which Hugh atte Walle held; four ferdells which William Polland held at Langport, Westover, and Portfelde; one mess. and one virg. of land which the said William held at Burton; a cottage with curtilage which Alice Mareschal held; certain plots called Herddesheye which Peter Potage held, demised to Agnes Harecomb the lord's nurse by precept of the same; a mess. which Lucy Hastyns and Sybill who was the wife of Ralph Jurdan held; a water mill which David Taillor held; a tenement which Walter Hamond held; a tenement which Roger Hamond held; a tenement which Roger Knap held; a tenement which John Virli held; a cottage late Pages remain in the hands of the lord and the reeve to answer of the issues thereof &c.

[v. petition.]

Distraint.

Still as before it was commanded to distrain Robert de Thorndon to do fealty to the lord. And afterwards he does fealty.

Amercement
ld. execution.

John Rypon in mercy for unjust detention of 1 bushel of corn against Nicholas atte Brokes whereupon let there be made execution.

by false plaint.

Attachment.

Edith atte Hole complainant, by pledge of Nicholas atte Brokes, offers herself against Richard Roggeres of a plea that he hath not acquitted his pledge who was summoned and did not come Therefore let him be attached.

Attachment.

Laurence Brokes complt., by pledge of John Pyenye, offers himself against Thomas Wynar of a plea of debt who was summoned and did not come Therefore let him be attached.

Robert Ball of Swelle complt., by Nicholas Gurdemure his attorney and pledge Nicholas Uppehulle, offers himself against William Radewill of a plea of debt who was summoned and did not come Therefore let him be attached.

William Radewill in mercy agreed by licence with John Spyne of a plea of trespass, pledge Robert Herecombe. Amercement
2d.

Agnes Dogel complt., by pledge of Richard Uppehulle, offers herself against Matilda Niweman of a plea of debt who was summoned and did not come Therefore let her be attached. Attachment.

John le Hunt in mercy because he has not prosecuted John Serle of a plea of covenant. Amercement
3d.

Christina ffichet complt., offers herself against John de Burton of a plea of trespass who is not yet attached Therefore it is commanded that he be attached to answer thereupon &c.

CORY.

The tithingman presents that John Walters who held of the lord a cottage with curtilage is dead, by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot 1 heifer price 12d. And the said cottage remains vacant in the lord's hands. Heriot 1
heifer.
Cottage in the
lord's hands.

Also he presents that Walter Godefrai who held of the lord a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virg. of land in villenage is dead And there falls to the lord of heriot 1 ox price 5s. And Alice who was the wife of aforesaid Walter remains in the tenement aforesaid according to the custom &c. And be it remembered by the whole homage And she does fealty. Heriot 1 ox.

The same presents that William Pocokes who held a cottage is dead And there falls to the lord of heriot 1 hogget pig¹ and so sold price 12d. And Joan who was the wife of aforesaid William remains in the cottage aforesaid according to the custom &c. And be it remembered by the whole homage And because she has not done fealty Therefore let her be distrained to do her fealty And afterwards she does her fealty. Heriot 1 hog-
get pig.

Also it is presented that Christina Randolf who held of the lord a mess. and one virgate of land to her and

1. A pig in its second year.

her heirs is dead And nothing thereupon falls of heriot &c. And the tenement aforesaid ought to descend to one Alice dau. of John de Wolfton clerk and Agnes his wife dau. and heir of the aforesaid Christina and she is one year old. Therefore the aforesaid tenement is seized into the hand of the lord by reason of the minority of aforesaid heir &c.

Amercement
6d.

Also he presents that Nicholas le Shephurd unjustly raised the hue upon Nicholas le Haward Therefore the said Nicholas le Shephurd in mercy, pledge the tithing man.

Amercement
6d.

Nicholas le Hayward in mercy for a trespass made on Nicholas le Shephurd for that he beat and ill-treated him to his damage 20s. And aforesaid Nicholas le Haward does not contradict, but not at so great damage and he prays that it may be amended by view &c. Therefore it is considered that he shall recover the damages thereupon by view &c.

To bring
compurgators

Nicholas le Haward complt., by pledge of the tithing man, offers himself against Nicholas le Shephurd of a plea of trespass saying that he depastured his sheep on his corn to his damage 10s. by reason of which trespass the said Nicholas le Haward would impound the said sheep according to law and custom &c. And the said Nicholas le Shephurd upon this came and with violence rescued the aforesaid sheep to his damage 20s. And thereupon he produces suit &c. And the said Nicholas le Shephurd says that he is not guilty thereupon and prays to be verified by his law &c. which law he cannot affirm but retires in contempt of the court. Therefore the said Nicholas le Haward recovers his damages And the said Nicholas le Shephurd in mercy &c. However he shall recover his damages by view &c.

Assize of ale.

Also he presents that Christina la Hyne 6d. Christina Tarpestre 6d. Julian Dalewode 6d. Philip Waryner, par-

doned, William Raste 6*d.* Richard Dalewode 6*d.* Henry le Sinyth 6*d.* John le Neal 12*d.* Agnes atte Pile 6*d.* ffelicia Tarpestere 6*d.* Thomas Kirketon 12*d.* have brewed and sold ale contrary to the assize Therefore they are in mercy.

The carcase¹ inspectors (?) present that 1 horse 1 [Cadawna-
heifer 6 sheep 6 cows 1 calf and 1 hogget pig have died tores.]
of murrain by misadventure and not by default of any Murrain.
keeper.

Capelond.—The tithingman there comes and presents that all is well.

Bradeweye.—The bailiff there presents that Peter Godynch 12*d.* Agnes Roulis 12*d.* Richard Joie 18*d.* Thomas Motilburi 12*d.* have brewed and sold ale contrary to the assize Therefore they are in mercy Also Adam le Forester 6*d.* Therefore &c.

John Lernewittes 2*d.* John atte Puree 2*d.* Robert (?) Jouet 1*d.* John le Hunte 2*d.* N. Godefrai 1*d.* Claricia Mareis 1*d.* Agnes Dogel 1*d.* John de Burton, John atte Asshe 2*d.* J. Spyne 1*d.* John 1*d.* Robert Herecomb 1*d.* Hugh Knap 4*d.* A stranger from 2*d.* J. ffarwhitts 6*d.* T. ffarwhitts 3*d.* N. atte Brokes 2*d.* Richard atte 2*d.* Richard Hole 4*d.* Robert atte Asshe 6*d.* N. atte Brokes 1*d.* J. Herecomb 1*d.* Richard Clawets 2*d.* A fugitive of R. de Middelun 6*d.* N. Gurdemure 3*d.* . . . Knap 2*d.* R. Herecomb 1*d.* R. Clawettes 2*d.* R. atte Wode 1*d.* R. atte Welle 2*d.* R. Uppehulle 2*d.* A fugitive of the lord, pardoned, William Philips 2*d.* J. Ripon 1*d.* Agnes Dogel 2*d.* William Hankyn 2*d.* William Cartere 2*d.* John Pienye 2*d.* Edith Gardyner 3*d.* T. Ball, pardoned, R. atte Hole 3*d.* Edith Gardyner 2*d.* N. atte Brokes 1*d.* Robt. 2*d.* William Rade-will 3*d.* R. Herecomb 3*d.* Edith Gardyner 3*d.* N. le Haward 2*d.* T. Geffrai 1*d.* Agnes J. atte Purie

1. Not in Ducange.

1*d.* William Soghere 2*d.* A fugitive of R. de Middelun
2*d.* R. atte Wode 2*d.* John Ripon 1*d.* N. atte Brokes 1*d.*
Richard Saghere 1*d.* Richard Clawettes 2*d.* William
Haukyn 2*d.* and Julian . . . 2*d.* . . . in mercy for divers
trespasses in the lord's preserves.

(memb. 1 dorse).

Fine of land
40*d.*

Robert atte Welle gives to the lord of fine 40*d.* to have entry into the tenement which John le Hyne sometime held and to take to wife Christina who was the wife of said John To hold in villenage according to the custom &c. by rents and services therefrom before due and accustomed, to be paid by pledge of Nicholas le Haward and John Somers And thereupon he hath seisin And does fealty.

Fine of land
12*d.*

Thomas Nichol gives to the lord of fine 12*d.* to have entry into the cottage which John le Cartere sometime held and to take to wife Cecilia who was the wife of said John To hold in villenage according to the custom &c. by rents and services therefrom due and accustomed; to be paid by pledge of the reeve And thereupon he hath seisin And does fealty.

Fine of land
40*d.*

Increase of
rent 5*s.* 8*d.*

Walter Iverai gives to the lord of fine 40*d.* to have entry into the tenement which Hugh Buloign sometime held from which he was wont to pay yearly 12*d.* To have and to hold according to the custom &c. Rendering therefrom in future yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* and all other services therefrom due and accustomed And so there is an increase of rent 5*s.* 8*d.* And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty.

Fine of land
12*d.*

Increase of
rent 2*s.*

Edward Hastynges gives to the lord of fine 12*d.* to have entry into the tenement which Ralph Jurdan sometime held from which he was wont to pay yearly 2*s.* To have in villenage according to custom &c. Rendering therefrom in future yearly 4*s.* and other services &c. And so there is an increase of rent 2*s.* fine to be paid by pledge of the

whole homage And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty.

Peter Gordynch gives to the lord of fine 12*d.* to have entry into the two tenements which Roger Spril sometime held from which he was wont to pay yearly 3*s.* 6*d.* To hold in villenage according to custom &c. Rendering therefrom in future yearly 5*s.* 4*d.* And all other services therefrom accustomed And so increase of rent 22*d.* And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty.

Fine of land
12*d.*

Increase of
rent 22*d.*

Thomas Haward hath entry into the tenement which Robert Mery sometime held from which he was wont to pay yearly 12*d.* To hold in villenage according to the custom &c. Rendering therefrom in future yearly 4*s.* and other services &c. and so there is increase of rent 3*s.* To be paid by pledge of the whole homage And thereupon he hath seisin And does fealty.

Fine of fealty.

Increase of
rent 3*s.*

John Dunsterre gives to the lord of fine 20*d.* to have entry into an acre of meadow which Richard Wodeward sometime held in Stantonmede to hold according to custom &c. by rent and services therefrom formerly due and accustomed Fine to be paid by pledge of the whole homage And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty And the aforesaid acre shall in future be appurtenant to his tenement.

Fine of land
20*d.*

Walter Iverai gives to the lord of fine 20*d.* to have entry into an acre of meadow which Richard Wodeward sometime held To hold according to the custom &c. Rendering and doing all the rents and services therefrom formerly due and accustomed And in future the said acre shall be appurtenant to his tenement And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty &c.

Fine of land
20*d.*

Thomas Motilburi gives to the lord of fine 20*d.* to have entry into an acre of meadow which Richard Wodeward sometimes held To hold according to custom &c. by rent and service therefrom formerly due and accustomed And

Fine of land
20*d.*

in future the said acre shall be appurtenant to his tenement And thereupon he hath seisin And does fealty.

Fine of land
20*d.*

John Hastyngs gives to the lord of fine 20*d.* to have entry into an acre of meadow which Richard Wodeward sometime held. To hold according to custom &c. by rent and services therefrom formerly due and accustomed And in future the said acre shall be appurtenant to his tenement. And thereupon he hath seisin And does fealty.

Fine of land
20*d.*

Ralph Rogge gives to the lord of fine 20*d.* to have entry into an acre of meadow which Richard Wodeward sometime held. To hold in villenage according to custom &c. by rent and services therefrom due and accustomed. And in future the said acre shall be appurtenant to his tenement. And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty.

Fine of land
20*d.*

Richard Joie gives to the lord of fine 20*d.* to have entry into an acre of meadow which Richard Wodeward sometime held. To hold according to custom &c. by rent and services therefrom due and accustomed And in future the said acre shall be appurtenant to his tenement. And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty.

Sum of perquisites 23*s.* 2*d.*

Fines of lands 20*s.* 8*d.*

Heriots 1 heifer 1 ox 1 hogget pig.

Increase of rent 12*s.* 6*d.*

[Morina.

Murrain as appears within.

Estrays one heifer.

Expenses 2*s.* 0½*d.* ; 2½ bushels of oats.

Demise of
wardship.

John de Wolston clerk hath entry into a mess. and half virgate of land which Christina Randolf sometime held to her and her heirs who within was presented as dead from which tenement she was accustomed to pay yearly 5*s.* which said tenement came into the hands of the lord by reason of the minority of one Alice cousin and heir of aforesaid Christina. To have until the law-

ful age of said heir and to competently sustain the said heir and such heir to the lord or his men at his will to render and deliver un-married Rendering therefrom yearly 10s. in at four terms &c. And so there is an increase of rent moveable 5s. yearly for the time being And he shall begin to pay the increase aforesaid at the feast of the Nativity of our Lord next ensuing.

(memb. 2).

Cory Ryvel. Court legal held at the term of Hockday the Monday next after the feast of St. John atte Latin Gate, the 23rd year of the reign of King Edward the 3rd from the Conquest. [? Cur legalis.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Thomas son and heir of John de Langeford to do fealty to the lord and to answer of pleas of default of common suit And to answer why he hath withdrawn a yearly rent of one mother sheep one hoggaster and one lamb for lands and tenements which he held of the lord in fiffhide. Distraints.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Thomas de Goundenham, Symon de ffurneaux, the Abbot of Muchelny, Margery Mynstokes and William Poulet to do homage and fealty to the lord and other services. And to answer of pleas of default of common suit. Distraints.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Robert Seincler to show by what services he claims to hold his tenement in Andrewsby. Distraint.

There yet remains a heifer forthcoming of estrays which has remained here from the feast of the Apostles Peter and Paul. And the bailiff answers that he has made proclamation thereof in the market and elsewhere as is becoming &c. Remaining.

As often before it is commanded to distrain William le Eir of Sowby, Osmond Gower, John Trote and William Distraint.

Gower sometime tenants of Reginald Husee to do fealty to the lord and other services.

Distraint.

As often before it was commanded to distrain John son and heir of Thomas Hastyngs to do homage to the lord.

It was commanded.

As often before it was commanded to attach all the goods and chattels being on the tenement which William Polland held in Burton until there shall be satisfied of a heriot of the said William to wit of one ox price half a mark.

[i.e. evidences]

As often before it was commanded to distrain the parson of Donyate to show what he has for himself and why he should hold a messuage and a carucate of land with appurts. which William Pillond held in Bradeweie &c.

Distraint.

Cory.—The tithing man there comes and presents that John Beauchamp, Ralph de Middelun, John Sylveyn, John de Burton pardoned, Ivo de Cheldecomb have made default Therefore let them be distrained to answer.

Amercement
3*d.*

Also that John Lymbun justly raised the hue on Edward Dogettes. Therefore the said Edward is in mercy 2*d.* And they have agreed by licence And the said Edward puts himself in mercy 1*d.* pledge the tithing man.

Amercement
9*d.*

Also he presents that John Molyn unjustly raised the hue on John Sylueyn Therefore he is in mercy 6*d.* And afterwards they agreed by licence So that the said John Molyn puts himself in mercy 3*d.* pledge. Robert Hertecombe.

Cottage in the
lord's hands.

Also he presents that John Pyppyng who held of the lord a cottage with curtilage in villenage is dead, by whose death there falls to the lord nothing of heriot because no live beast. And the said cottage remains empty in the lord's hands.

Assize of ale.

Also he presents that Christina la Hyne 6*d.* Edith Gardiner 6*d.* [Joan] Julian Dalewode 6*d.* Christina Tapestere 6*d.* Agnes atte Pile 6*d.* Richard Clauwet 6*d.*

Laurence Brokes 6*d.* Alice Shereston 6*d.* have brewed and sold ale contrary to the assize Therefore they are in mercy.

The tithing man and the whole tithing in mercy because they have not produced all their measures. Amercement 3*d.*

Capelond.—The tithing man there comes and presents that all is well.

Bradeweie.—The tithing man there comes and presents that Symon atte Watere a freeman makes default Therefore let him be attached to answer thereupon. Attachment.

Also he presents that Walter fforester 6*d.* Agnes Roulis 12*d.* Ralph Rugges 6*d.* Richard Joie 6*d.* Thomas Mottilbury 6*d.* Alice Roulis 6*d.* have brewed and sold ale contrary to the assize. Therefore they are in mercy. Assize. Amercement 3*s.* 6*d.*

And because the tithing man has produced no measures Therefore he and the whole tithing in mercy. Amercement 3*d.*

Twelve freemen being sworn present that the tenant of the tenement late Richard atte Spene 3*d.* Adam Stil 3*d.* William Radewill 3*d.* and the tenant of the tenement late Hugh Vele's have permitted their ditches to be filled up without the reeve's license to the damage of the lord's tenants Therefore they are in mercy. Presentment of 12.

Robert son of William Cokes puts himself in mercy for a trespass. So against the peace. Amercement 12*d.*

Still one mess. and one virgate of land which Robert atte Hole held; one mess. and half a virgate of land which Roger le Bakere held; one mess. and one ferdell of land which David le Taillor held; one mess. and one ferdell of land which Agnes atte Hole held; one mess. and one ferdell of land which Robert Uppehulle held; one cottage with curtilage and 2 acres of land which Hugh atte Welle held; four ferdells of land which William Polland held at Langport Westovere and Portfeld, and one mess. and one virgate of land which the said William held at Burton; one mess. and one caru- Tenements in the lord's hands. Portfeld.

cate of land which aforesaid William held in Bradeweye now by reason of the minority of the heir of the aforesaid William ; one messuage and 7 acres of land demised to one Thomas Lewyn which Robert More held ; one cottage with curtilage which Alice Mareschal held ; one mess. and 10 acres of land demised to Walter Iverai which Hugh Buloin held ; one cottage with curtilage which John atte Watre held ; certain plots called Haberylesheye which Peter Notage held ; one mess. and 2 acres of land demised to John Dunster which John Dunster held. And certain plots containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land which John Roulis held and a water mill which David Tailor held remain in the lord's hand.

(memb. 2 dorse).

In the lord's
hands.

Yet one mess. & 7 acres of land, demised to John Godendi which Joan who was the wife of Roger Spril held ; one mess. half an acre & one rood of land which aforesaid Joan held ; one mess. $6\frac{1}{2}$ acres 1 rood of land demised to Edward Hastynges which Lucy Hastynges and Matilda who was the wife of Ralph Jurdan held for term of their lives ; one mess. which aforesaid Lucy and Matilda held for term of their lives remain in the lord's hands.

Distrain.

As often before it was commanded [Joan daur. of] she hath done fealty Thomas Roules, Ralph Rugge and Alice his wife Richard Joie John Trote to do fealty to the lord.

Attachment
of the Reaper.

The Abbot of Muchelny 2*d*. The bailiff of Ralph de Middelun 2*d*. John Rypon 2*d*. Agnes Dogel 1*d*. Christina ffychet 2*d*. John Honte 2*d*. Christina ffychet 1*d*. Nicholas Hayward 1*d*. Richard Curtenaye 3*d*. Nicholas atte Bronkes 2*d*. The said Nicholas 2*d*. John atte Nasche 2*d*.

Thomas Clerk de Burton 4*d.* Matilda Knap 3*d.* Nicholas Body 4*d.* John atte Purie 2*d.* Nicholas Gurdemure 3*d.* Edith atte Hole 2*d.* Richard atte Wode 2*d.* John Honte 1*d.* A certain stranger 8*d.* A certain stranger 4*d.* The son of Walter Baron 2*d.* Sibil Woderone 4*d.* Thomas Roo de Stach 6*d.* Gilbert Lerneuittes 3*d.* Richard Clawettes 1*d.* in mercy for divers trespasses on the lord's preserves.

William son of Thomas Peris gives to the lord of fine 13*s.* 4*d.* to have entry into the tenement which John Trote sometime held of the lord and to take to wife Joan who was the wife of aforesaid John To have and to hold in villenage according to custom &c. Rendering and doing all rents and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the fine at the feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by equal portions by pledge of William Burrich and William Ray And thereupon he hath seisin and does fealty to the lord.

Fine of land
1 mark.

To do fealty.

Thomas Motilburi and Joan his wife give to the lord of fine 40*d.* to have entry into a messuage with curtilage and all the lands which Richard Prise held of the lord To have and to hold in villenage according to the custom &c. Rendering and doing the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed. Paying the fine at the feasts of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by equal portions by pledge of Peter Pril and Ralph Rogges And he hath &c.

Fine of land
40*d.*

John Dunsterre and Margery his wife give to the lord of fine 8*s.* to have entry into a tenement which Alice Dunsterre sometime held To have and to hold in villenage according to custom &c. Rendering and doing all the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the fine at the feasts of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by equal portions by pledge of Ralph Rugges and Richard Joye. And he does fealty And it was granted

Fine of land
8*s.*

the said John and Margery to make a moor¹ there whenever they wished So that well and competently they sustained and maintained the tenement aforesaid.

To do fealty.

Agnes Herecomb² hath entry by grant of the lord into all that tenement of land meadow and pasture with all their appurts. which Peter Potage formerly held To have and to hold all the aforesaid for term of her life freely Rendering therefrom yearly 6*d.* at the four principal terms of the year by equal portions for all secular services and demands And thereupon she hath seisin. And does fealty to the lord.

Fine of land
12*d.*

William Bole and Christina his wife give to the lord of fine 12*d.* to have entry into a cottage with curtilage which John atte Watre formerly held To have and to hold in villenage according to the custom of the manor Rendering and doing all the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the fine by pledge of Ralph Rugge and Richard Joye And thereupon he hath seisin And does fealty.

Fine of land
2*s.*

Robert de Thorndon gives to the lord of fine 2*s.* to have entry into a cottage with curtilage which John Pippyng formerly held To have and to hold in villenage according to the custom of the manor Rendering and doing all the rents and services thereupon due and accustomed Paying the fine at the feasts of the Nativity of St. John Baptist by pledge of Robert Harecomb. And thereupon he hath seisin And because he hath not done his fealty Therefore it is commanded to distrain him to do his fealty.

Sum of perquisites 17*s.* 8*d.*

Fines of lands 27*s.* 8*d.*

Expenses of the Stewards T. Waryn and J. de Chedesie 2*s.* 6*d.* & 2½ bush. of oats.

1. *Facere morum.*

2. *Vide petition.*

(memb. 3).

Cury Ryvel. Court held there the Monday next after the feast of the Annunciation of Blessed Mary, the 23rd year of the reign of King Edward the 3rd after the Conquest.

It was commanded to distrain Emma who was the wife of Henry de Urtiaco of Swelle to do fealty to the lord who comes and does fealty to the lord at Shirburn And acknowledges that she holds of the lord the manors of Pret and Swell by a service of 4*d.* yearly.

To do fealty
and acknow-
ledge service.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Thomas son and heir of John de Langeford to do homage and fealty to the lord and to answer of pleas of default of common suit And to answer why he hath withdrawn a yearly rent of one mother sheep, one hoggaster and one lamb for lands and tenements which he held of the lord in Vifhude¹ &c.

Distrain.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Thomas de Goundenham, Symon de ffurneaux, the Abbot of Muchelny, Margery Mynstokes and William Poulet to do homage and fealty to the lord and other services. And to answer of pleas of default of common suit.

Distrain.

As often before it was commanded to distrain Robert Sencler to show by what services he claims to hold his tenement in Androwsie.

Distrains.

There still remains one heifer forthcoming of estrays which hath remained here from the feast of the Apostles Peter and Paul. And the bailiff thereupon answers that he hath made proclamation thereof in the market and elsewhere as is meet &c.

Remaining.

Edward Hastynges in mercy because he has not prosecuted against William Aluyneton of a plea of trespass.

Amercement
2*d.*

Richard Puro in mercy because he has not prosecuted against William Knap atte Welle in a plea of debt.

Amercement
3*d.*

1. Fifhide.

- Distraint.** As before it was commanded to distrain William le Eir of Sow, Baldewynn of Wyk, Osmond Gower, John Trote and William Gower sometime tenants of Reginald Huse to do fealty to the lord and other services.
- Amercement
1*d.*** John Lymbune in mercy because he has not prosecuted against Matilda Knap in a plea of debt.
- Amercement
1*d.*** Matilda Knap in mercy agrees by license with John le Honte in a plea of debt.
- Amercement
1*d.*** Matilda Knap in mercy agrees by license with Christine Tarper in a plea of debt.
- Amercement
1*d.*** Matilda Knap in mercy agrees by licence with William . . . in a plea of debt.
- Attachment.** Still as before it is commanded to attach William Knap atte Welle to answer William atte Brokes of a plea of debt.
- Amercement
1*d.*** Henry le Smyth in mercy agrees by license with Richard atte Hole in a plea of surety—pledge John Herecomb.
- Amercement
1*d.*** Matilda Knap in mercy agrees by license with Christina Tarper in a plea of debt.
- Tenements in
the lord's
hands.** Still one mess. and one virgate of land which Robert atte Hole held; one mess. and half-a-virgate of land which Roger le Baker held; one mess. and one ferdell of land which David le Taillour held; one mess. and one ferdell of land which Agnes atte Hole held; one mess. and one ferdell of land which Robert Uppehulle held; one cottage with curtilage and 2 acres of land which Hugh atte Welle held; four ferdells of land which William Pilland held at Langeport Westovere and Portfelde; and one mess. and virgate of land which the said William held at Burton; one mess. and one carucate of land with appurt. which aforesaid William held in Bradeweie by reason of the minority of the heir of the aforesaid William; one mess. 7 acres of land which Robert More held; one cottage with curtilage which

Alice Mareschal held ; one mess. and 10 acres of land which Hugh Buloin held ; one cottage with curtilage which John atte Watre held ; certain plots called Haberngleshay which Peter Potage held ; one messuage and 2 acres of land which John Dunsterre held ; and certain plots containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land which John Roules held and a water mill which David Tailor held remain in the lord's hand.

Still as before it was commanded to distrain John son of John Ripon, Agnes who was the wife of John Contokes Richard Cotyn and John Pyppyng to do fealty to the lord. Distrain.

Still as before it was commanded to distrain John son and heir of Thomas Hastynges to do homage to the lord. Distrain.

Still as before it was commanded to attach all the goods and chattels being on the tenement which William Pilland held in Burton, until there shall be satisfied of a heriot of the same William to wit of one ox, price $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark.

Still as before it was commanded to distrain the parson of Donyate to show what he has for himself why he should hold a mess. and carucate of land with appurts which William Pilland held in Bradeweie &c. Distrain.

Cory.—The tithing man there comes and presents that Thomas Roggeres who held of the lord a mess. and 1 ferdell of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot one ox, price 5s. And the said tenement remains empty in the lord's hands. And afterwards the said tenement is demised as below to one Nicholas Godefrai as appears. Heriot 1 ox.

And that Agnes atte Hole who held of the lord a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot 1 young ox price 4s. And the said tenement remains empty in the lord's hand. Heriot 1 young ox. Tenement in the lord's hands.

Amercement
8d.

Also it is presented that Richard Roggeres unjustly raised the hue upon Richard Dodde. Therefore the said Richard Roggeres in mercy 6*d.* And they have agreed by license So that the said Richard Roggeres puts himself in mercy 2*d.*

Heriot 1
mother sheep.

Also it is presented that John le Cartere who held a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot one mother sheep And said tenement is demised to Richard Cartere his brother as appears in the next court to hold in the place of him John because no profit is taken therefrom.

Assize—
Amercement
3s.

And that Agnes atte Baukes (?) 6*d.* Laurence le Brokes 6*d.* Agnes atte Pile 6*d.* William Ross 6*d.* Henry Smyth 6*d.* John Prestes 6*d.* have brewed and sold ale contrary to the assize. Therefore they are in mercy.

Fine of land
20s.

Nicholas Godefrai gives to the lord of fine 20*s.* to have entry into a tenement which Thomas Roggeres sometime held To have and to hold in villenage according to the custom of the manor &c. Rendering and doing all the works rents customs and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the said fine at Hokeday, Nativity of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by equal portions pledge William Godefrai and John Strode. And because he has not done fealty, Therefore it is commanded to destrain him to do fealty.

John Rogers makes another fine with the steward that there be no enrolment of a certain tenement which was of Thomas Rogers, pledge Richard Jones. And thereupon comes the said Richard Jones and of his own accord gives to the lord 10*s.* that in future he shall not be compelled to pay till the feast of Easter.

Attachments
of the Pindar.

John Daniels (?) 2*d.* Robert Herecomb 1*d.* John Walters 3*d.* Richard Courtenai 2*d.* The same Richard 1*d.* Thos. Clarke 4*d.* Nicholas atte Brokes 2*d.* Thomas Quynterel 12*d.* Thomas Sopere 2*d.* Ralph le Moreward

3d. Thomasine who was the wife of Robert le Roo 6d. Richard le Bole 6d. William Osegod 8d. William le Moreward 4d. and a pig. John Datton 3d. in mercy for divers trespasses made in the free pastures and other preserves of the lords. Also Baldwin de Wykes in mercy for a trespass in the lord's preserve.

Adam Cartere 1d. in mercy for a trespass made in the pinfold pledge Richard Uppehull. A certain stranger in mercy 3d. for a trespass made there pledge John Spyne. Also another stranger 3d. for a trespass made there pledge John Uppehull.

It was commanded to distrain John Silueyn to do homage to the lord who comes on Thursday next after the feast of the Annunciation of Blessed Mary at Shirburn this year And did homage to the lord in presence of John de Mountagu Richard Datton William de . . . Richard Tonaer¹ Peter Chubbeworth and others. And so the marshal ceases to destrain.

(memb. 3 dorse).

Capelond.—The tithing man there and all the tithing make default therefore it is commanded to destrain them to answer thereupon. Distrain.

Bradeweie.—The tithing man there comes and presents that John Godynch 6d. William fforester 6d. Ralph Roggere pardoned, Richard Joye 12d. Alice Roules 6d. John Laryner 6d. have brewed and sold ale contrary to the assize therefore they are in mercy. Ass. Amercement 3s.

Also he presents that Joan who was the wife of Richard Spril who held of the lord a mess. and 7 acres of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot one hogget pig, price 12d. And said tenement remains empty in the lord's hands. Tenement in the lord's hands.

1. ? Tomar.

Tenement in
the lord's
hand.

Also he presents that the said Joan held of the lord a mess. $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres and 1 rood of land freely according to the custom &c. And nothing falls of heriot And the tenement remains in the lord's hand.

Tenement in
the lord's
hand.

Also he presents that Lucy Hastynges and Matilda who was the wife of Ralph Jurdan who held of the lord a messuage $6\frac{1}{2}$ acres and 1 rood of land by deed for term of their lives are dead And nothing falls of heriot because they are free tenants there, no heriot should be given And aforesaid tenement remains empty in the lord's hand.

Pureo.]

Also he presents that aforesaid Lucy and Matilda held a messuage for term of their lives and reversion thereof belongs to a certain child of William Jurdan deceased being in his mother's womb if it happen he be born. Therefore it is commanded the said messuage be seized into the lord's hand until &c. And of the issues &c.

Also he presents that Robert son of William Cokes of Mereokes has broken an attachment made by the bailiff Therefore it is commanded he be attached to answer thereupon.

Also it is presented that Lucy Hastynges who held a mess. and 3 acres of land in Stilcroft freely by deed for terms of life is dead And upon this comes

Fine of land
40d.

Joan daughter of Thomas Roulis gives to the lord of fine 40d. to have entry into aforesaid mess. and 3 acres of land To hold according to custom &c. Rendering and doing all the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed, paying the fine at the feasts of the Nativity of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by equal portions by pledge of Ralph Rogge And because she has not done fealty Therefore it is commanded she be distrained to do her fealty.

Distraint.

Also he presents that Joan daur. of Thomas Roules who held a messuage and one acre of land freely of the lord is dead. And nothing falls of heriot And upon this

Ralph Rogge and Alice his wife give to the lord of fine 18*d.* to have entry into aforesaid tenement. To hold according to custom &c. Doing the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed fine to be paid by pledge of Richard Joie. And because they have not done fealty Therefore it is commanded to distrain them to do fealty.

Fine of land
18*d.*

Distrain.

Richard Joie the elder gives to the lord of fine 2*s.* to have entry into the tenement which Edith who was the wife of Nicholas le Baker now holds and to take to wife the aforesaid Edith To hold together for term of their lives according to custom &c. Rendering therefrom the services due and accustomed : pledge of fine, Ralph Rogg And because he has not done fealty. Therefore it is commanded to distrain him to do his fealty And afterwards he does fealty.

Fine of land
2*s.*

Distrain.

Othery.—John Burrich who held of the lord a mess. and ten acres of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls to the lord of heriot one ox price 4*s.* And Asselina who was the wife of said John remained in the tenement aforesaid according to the custom &c. And now the said Asselina hath closed her last day And there falls to the lord of heriot 1 ox price 4*s.* And the tenement aforesaid remains empty in the lord's hands And upon this

Heriot 2 oxen.

William Burrich son of said John gives to the lord of fine 40*s.* to have entry into the tenement which John Burrich formerly held To have and to hold in villenage according to custom &c. Rendering and doing the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the fine at the feasts of Easter, Nativity of St. John [Baptist] and St. Michael by equal portions, by pledge of William Ray John son of Godefrai of Stachwere and Thomas Burrich And he doth fealty to the lord And thereupon hath seisin.

Fine of land
40*s.*

Heriot 2 oxen.

Godefray Parson of Stathwer who held of the lord a messuage and 10 acres of land and similarly a mess. and and 5 acres of land in villenage is dead by whose death there fall to the lord of heriot 2 oxen price 16s. And the said tenement remains empty in the hands of the lord And upon this

Fine of land
40s.

John son of Godefray Parson of Stathwere gives to the lord of fine 40s. to have entry into a mess. and 10 acres of land with appurts. which Godefray de Stathwere formerly held To hold in villenage according to custom &c. Rendering and doing the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the fine at the feasts of Easter, Nativity of John Baptist and St. Michael by equal portions by pledge of William Burrich, William Ray and Thomas Burrich And he does fealty And thereupon hath seisin.

Fine of land
20s.

William Ray gives to the lord of fine 20s. to have entry into a mess. and 5 acres of land with appurts. which Godefray Parson of Stathewer formerly held To have and to hold according to the custom &c. Rendering and doing the rents and services therefrom due and accustomed Paying the fine at the feasts of Easter, St. John the Baptist and St. Michael by pledge of William Burrich John son of Godefray Parson of Stathewer and Thomas Burrich And he does fealty and thereupon hath seisin.

Heriot 3 parts
of a cow.

John Trote who held of the lord a mess. and ten acres of land with appurts. in villenage is dead And there falls to the lord of heriot three parts of a cow price 3s. And Joan wife of the said John remains in the said tenement according to custom &c. And because she has not done fealty Therefore it is commanded the said Joan to be distrained to do fealty &c.

Distrain.

Also it is commanded all the lord's tenants of Othery that in future they do their suit here at three lawdays.

And be it remembered that any of such tenants enrolled (?) shall faithfully serve the lord there.

Sum of perquisites of Court with
 attachments of the Reaper 23s. 4d.
 Fines of lands 6*li.* 6s. 10d.
 Heriots 5 oxen 1 heifer 1 mother sheep 1 hogget
 pig and 3 parts of a cow.
 Expenses of the Stewards T. Waryn J. Chedesi
 17s. and 7 bush. of oats.

(membrane 4, abstract of).

Cury Ryvell. Court legal of the Term of St. Hilary held there on the Wednesday next after the feast of St. Matthias Apostle in the xxij year of the reign of King Edward the third after the Conquest the twenty third

[St. Matthias, Feb. 24, 1349.]

. . . Distraints

Alicia Deye who held of the lord a cottage with curtilage came and freely (gratis) surrendered the same into the lord's hands And thereupon William Algar Webbe gives to the lord 2s. to have entry &c. To hold in villenage &c. Fine to be paid by pledge of Richard Uphull

Fine of land 2s.

. . . Pleas of debt

. . . . Tenants fined for breaking assize of beer
 Fines 7s. 6d.

Walter atte Wood who had a messuage and a virgate of land hath closed his last day whereupon there falls to the lord of heriot 4s. one ox price 4s. And upon this Richard atte Wood son of said Walter gives to the lord of fine 33s. 4d. to have entry &c. Paying the fine at Easter 13s. 4d. at feast of St. John Baptist 6s. 8d. and at the feast of St. Michael 13s. 4d. by pledge of Robert Harecomb and John Harecomb And it was granted the

Heriot 1 ox.

Fines.

said Richard that if he happened to die after the feast of Easter after any term of the terms aforesaid payment of the fine for the aforesaid subsequent terms shall altogether cease.

Isabella who was the wife of Robert atte Hele who held a messuage and a virgate of land is dead by whose death there falls of heriot one ox price 5s. And the tenement remains vacant in the hand of the lord.

John atte Hele who held a messuage and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls of heriot one ox price 6s. And Edith wife of aforesaid John remains in the tenement aforesaid &c.

Roger Bakere who held a messuage and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of land for term of life by deed is dead by whose death there falls of heriot one acre of corn price 12d. And the tenement remains vacant in the hands of the lord.

Christina who was wife of William Bile who held a mess. and ferdell of land in villenage is dead And there falls of heriot a porker price 6d.

William atte Hele gives to the lord 6s. 8d. to have entry into the tent. aforesaid To hold in villenage &c. Paying the fine at the feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist and St. Michael By pledge of Richard Uppehull and Richard atte Hele.

Godfrey atte Hele who held a mess. and curtilage and $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre of land is dead by whose death there falls of heriot one cow price 3s. And Alice wife of said Godfrey remains in the tenement aforesaid.

William Knap who held a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls of heriot one ox price 6s. And Matilda wife of said William remains in the tent. aforesaid &c.

Alice who was wife of Nicholas Parker who held a mess. and half a virgate of land in villenage is dead And there falls to the lord of heriot one ox price 6s.

Nicholas Haward gives to the lord of fine 10s. to have entry into the tent. aforesaid To hold in villenage Paying the fine at the feasts of the Nat. St. John Baptist and St. Michael by pledge of Roger de Hertecombe. Fine of land.

Walter Hamond who held of the lord a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls of heriot one ox price 5s. And said tent. remains vacant in the hands of the lord. Heriot 1 ox.

(memb. 4 dorse).

Roger Hamond who held a mess. and ferdell of land in villenage is dead by whose death there falls of heriot $\frac{1}{2}$ an ox price 4s. And Matilda wife of said Roger surrenders here in Court the whole estate she may have in aforesaid tent. according to the custom And there remains 2 acres sown with corn upon said tenement to the use of the lord. Heriot $\frac{1}{2}$ an ox.

John Hertt who held a mess. and ferdell of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot a heifer price 3s. And Sibill wife of said John remains on the tenement aforesaid. Heriot 1 heifer.

David Taillor who held a mess. and ferdell of land for term of life by deed is dead and there falls of heriot $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre of corn price 8d. And the tenement remains vacant in the hands of the lord. Heriot $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre of corn.

Agnes atte Hele who held a mess. and ferdell of land according to custom after the death of John Virly late her husband comes and surrenders the said tenement into the lord's hands together with the crop¹ of 4 acres of corn growing upon said tenement which remains to the use of the lord. Tenement in hands of the lord.

William Beaudutes who held a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one acre of corn price 12d. And Lucy wife of aforesaid Heriot 1 acre of corn.

1. Vestura.

William remains in the tenement aforesaid according &c. who now does not come There it is commanded to distrain her to do fealty.

Heriot 2s. Robert Upeshull who held a mess. and ferdell of land is dead And there falls of heriot $\frac{1}{2}$ a cow price 2s. And so sold to Richard Upeshull by the steward And the tenement remains vacant in the hand of the lord.

Heriot 1 ox. Nicholas Honte who held a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one ox price 6s. And upon this

Fine of land. John Strode gives to the lord of fine 20s. to have entry To hold in villenage &c. Rendering &c. Paying a fine at the feasts of Easter and St. Michael by pledge of Robert Hertcomb and Philip Parcar and it was granted the said John that if he happened to die after Easter the payment of fine at Michaelmas should altogether cease.

Heriot 1 ox. John Rypon who held a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate is dead and there falls of heriot 1 ox price 5s. And upon this

Fine of land. John son of aforesaid John Rypon gives to the lord of fine 6s. 8d. for entry To hold in villenage &c. Paying fine at the feasts of Easter and St. Michael by pledge of Robert Hertcomb, Robert atte Welle and Richard Upeshull.

Heriot 1 heifer. John Contok who held a mess. with curtilage is dead and there falls of heriot one heifer price 2s. And Agnes wife of said John remains in the aforesaid tenement And she does not come therefore it is commended to distrain her.

Heriot 1 ox. William Molyns who held a mess. and $\frac{1}{2}$ virgate is dead and there falls of heriot 1 ox price 6s. And upon this

Fine of land. Richard le Cartere gives of fine 30s. for entry Paying the fine by pledge of John Hertcomb and Richard Janes to wit 1 mark at the feast of Easter and remainder at Michaelmas.

Heriot 1 cow. John Cartere who held a cottage with curtilage is dead

and there falls of heriot one cow price 2s. And Cicely wife of said John remains in the tenement aforesaid.

Richard Cotyn gives 13s. 4d. for entry into the tenement which Richard Terenche sometime held Paying fine at Hokeday and Michaelmas by equal portions. Fine of land.

William Gardyner gives 2s. for entry into a cottage with curtilage which John le Knygt (or Kings) sometime held Paying fine at Hokeday. Fine of land.

John Pypping gives 2s. for entry into a cottage which William Goudhyne sometime held Paying fine at Hokeday. Fine of land.

Hugh atte Welle who held a cottage with curtilage and 2 acres of land is dead and there falls of heriot nothing because there was nothing And said tenement remains in the hand of the lord. Heriot nil.

William de Pillande who held a mess. and virgate at Burton in fee is dead and there falls of heriot one ox price $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark And said ox was taken away to the prejudice of the lord Therefore it was commanded all the goods and chattels on above tenement should be attached until the said ox was returned. Heriot 1 ox.

Also said William held 4 ferdells of land at Westend in Poterfeld : nothing falls of heriot because without a messuage. Heriot nil.

Also said William held in Bradewey at le Apse a messuage and one carucate of land with appurts^s by royal¹ services and the said tenements were demised to the parson of Doneate rendering therefrom yearly four pounds at four terms and whether for term of life or years they know not and the heir of said William is within age of the age of 2 years Therefore it is commanded all the aforesaid tenements and rents and the heir aforesaid to be seized into the hand of the lord and also the aforesaid

1. *Servicia regalia.*

parson to be distrained to show what he has why he should hold the said tenements.

Fine of land. William son of Adam Cartere gives to the lord of fine 13s. 4d. for entry into the tenement which aforesaid Adam his father held Paying fine at the feasts of the Nativity of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by pledge &c. And he does fealty.

Fine of land Henry le Smith gives 13s. 4d. to have entry into the tent which John le Smith his father held To hold in villenage &c. Doing the services &c. Paying fine at the feasts of Easter and St. Michael by pledge &c. And he does.

(memb. 5).

Fine of land. 6s. 8d. John son of John Honte gives of fine 6s. 8d. for entry into the tenement which aforesaid John his father held To hold in villenage &c. Paying fine at the feasts of the Nativity of St. John Baptist and St. Michael by pledge of Richard Upehull and Richard Clawet.

BRADWEYE.

Heriot 1 heifer. The tithing man comes and presents that Robt. Mory who held a mess. and 7 acres of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot a heifer price 3s. And the tenement remains vacant in the lord's hands.

Heriot 1 horse Roger Spril who held a mess. and 6 acres in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one horse price 20d. And Joan wife of said Roger remains in the tenement aforesaid.

Heriot nil. Henry Roules who held a cottage with a close containing in all one acre is dead and nothing falls of heriot because such tenure does not owe to give heriot according to the custom And upon this

Fine of land 12d. Joan daur. of aforesaid Henry gives of fine 12d. for entry into the tenement aforesaid To hold in villenage &c. Fine to be paid by pledge of Ralph Rugge.

Thomas Hastyngs who held of the lord a mess. and one acre of land in fee is dead And upon this comes John son and heir of Thomas of full age And he does fealty and gives of relief 6*d.* And it is commanded to distraint him to do homage &c. Relief 6*d.*

And said Thomas held 2 mess. and 2 acres of land freely for term of life And the said tenements remain vacant And John son of said Thomas gives of fine 6*s.* for entry To hold in villenage &c. Paying fine by pledge of Ralph Rugge. Fine of land 6*s.*

Alice Marshell who held a cottage with curtilage is dead And it remains vacant in the lord's hands. In the lord's hands.

Ralph Jurden who held sundry tenem^{ts} in Bradeway to wit some for term of life and some in fee And because they know not which he held in fee and which for term of life they have a day till next (court) that they may present more certainly thereon.

Hugh Boloigne who held a mess. and 10 acres of land in villenage is dead and there falls of heriot one young ox price 2*s.* And the tenement remains vacant. Heriot young ox.

Thomas Roules who held a mess. and 10 acres of land is dead And nothing falls of heriot because that tenement is held at a certain rent And Agnes wife of said Thomas remains in the tenement aforesaid. Heriot nil.

John atte Watere who held a cottage with curtilage is dead And the tent remains vacant. Vacant in lord's hand.

Peter Potage who held a plot called Habernyleshey is dead And said plot remains vacant. Vacant in lord's hand.

And said Peter held a mess. and five acres of land in villenage And there falls of heriot one heifer price 6*s.* And Christina who was wife of said Peter remains in the tenement aforesaid. Heriot 1 heifer.

John Pope who held a mess. and 2 acres of land is dead and upon this

Joan sister of said John gives 40*d.* for entry To hold Fine for entry 20*d.*

according to custom Paying fine by pledge of Ralph Rugge and Thomas Motelburi.

Heriot 1
heifer.

And [¹said John] Joan Dunsterre who held a mess. and 2 acres of land in villenage is dead And there falls of heriot one heifer price 2s. And the tenement remains vacant.

Relief 20*d*.

John Roules who held a mess. and two parts of $\frac{1}{2}$ a virgate of land in fee is dead And Alice daur. and heir of said John 20 years of age and more to whom the fee and right of aforesaid tent^s descend comes and gives relief 20*d*. And does fealty and hath a day for doing her homage

Vacant in
lord's hand.

And said John held a plot containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres called Lordesmor for term of life And said land remains vacant.

(memb. 5 dorse.

Fine of land
20*d*.

Richard Joye the younger gives of fine 20*d*. for entry into a cottage with a close contg 1 acre of land which Richard Pipe formerly held To hold according to custom &c. Paying fine by pledge of Richard Joye the elder and Ralph Rugge.

Fine of land
40*d*.

Richard Joye the elder gives 40*d*. for entry into a cottage with curtilage which John Roules formerly held To hold according to custom &c. Paying fine by pledge of Ralph Rugge.

Mill in lord's
hand.

David Tailor who held a water mill for term of his life died on the feast of the Purification of Blessed Mary last past And said mill remains vacant in the lord's hand.

Ass. of Ale,
fines 6s.

[Nine tenants presented for breaking assize of ale].

CAPELOND.

The tithing man comes and presents nothing.

Murrain.

The inspector of carcasses present of the murrain—one young ox forthcoming of Mercoks 1 foal of a year old 1

1. Erasure.

ox 2 pigs and 6 porkers dead by misadventure and not through default of any keeper.

Attachments
of the Parker
(Pound
Keeper),
Fines 5s. 4d.

[About 20 tenants fined for trespasses in the lord's preserves].

Robert de Hertecombe and William Phelpes¹ keepers of the goods of the church of Cory Rivell complainants offer themselves against John Nasshe and Richard Attewode exors.² of the will of Walter atte Wode of a plea of debt who are summoned and do not come Thereupon it is commanded to attach them to answer thereupon.

Attachments

Sum of perquisites of Court 21s. 5d.

Fines of land £8 15s. Heriot 2s.

Heriots 1 horse 3 heifers 9 oxen 2 cows 1 young ox
2 heifers 1 pig and 2½ acres of corn.

Crops³—13 acres of corn to the use of the lord.

Murrain as appears above.

Expenses⁴ 4s. 3½d. 2 bushels of oats the more
because Richard Chadeslee . . .

Let a memorandum be made of the death of Nicholas Bakere not presented.

1. Churchwardens.
2. Something left under will of Testator.
3. Vestura.
4. Eo plus quia supuen (? superreverit).

These Court Rolls are now in the possession of the Rev. J. F. Chanter, Parracombe, N. Devon.