

DORNEY MANOR COURT ROLLS

11th June 1526

2. Dorney manor with members.

Court of John Aleyne, Citizen & Alderman of the City of London and other recoverers of the aforesaid manor to the use of Richard Hyll esquire and his heirs held there on Monday falling on the 11th day of June in the 18th year of the reign of King Henry VIII. (1526).

Essoins: Nil.

Homage:

John Norres, sworn; John Carter, formerly sworn; William Ingby, sworn; William Shepperd, sworn; William FASTER, sworn; Thomas Dolwyn, sworn; William Wolward, farmer, sworn; John Wyld, Farmer, sworn; Robert Shepperd, farmer, sworn; James Williams, William Mountague.

Verdict and fine for defect of suit of court

4d. Who say on their oath that the Dean and Chapter of Wyndesore, the Provost & Fellows of the Royal College of Blessed Mary & St Nicholas of Etone, Edmund Bray, drivator,

2d. Thomas Bulstrode, Walter Hyllare & Anastasie his wife, Christina Dene and Richard Aldriche of Burnham severally owe suit at this court and have made default. Therefore each of them is in mercy as appears over the head of each.

Obit of a tenant. [Mem for heriot because he had. no animals, therefore, &c. to make distraint for the homage relief and fealty.]

Also they present that Isaak Sybylle, who held of the lord the moiety of a messuage and certain lands late of William Fitzwater by fealty and a yearly rent of 20d., and one acre of land in Southfeld late of said William Fitzwater, formerly of William Bridport and afterwards of John Trayly by yearly rent of 4d., and 8 ½ acres of land and 2 acres of meadow formerly of Thomas Dent and earlier of Simon Worthyngpole and earlier of Roger le Turke by yearly rent of 2d., and one toft and a rod of land in Northfeld otherwise called the toft of the said Thomas Fraunceys and earlier of John Smythe and earlier of John Dust by yearly rent of 2d., and a messuage of 5 acres of land formerly of John son of William de Worthyngpole and afterwards of Thomas Dent, which he held of the lord by homage, fealty and rent of 20d. yearly and a heriot, died since the last court. And that Anne wife of John Cheyny of Sytyngbourne in co. Kent, esquire, is his sister and next heir and is of the age of 21 years and more, wherefore there falls due to the lord for relief.

Obit of tenant. To make distraint for relief and fealty.

Also they present that John Putney, who held of the lord a cottage called Crgravys with appurtenances towards le Crosse in Dorney Grene by fealty and rent of 6d. yearly, and an acre of and on Whdiehulle and half an acre of land in Lynforlong by fealty and rent of 18d yearly, also a close of pasture next to the capital messuage called Dygantes and certain other lands by yearly rent of 20d., has ended his days since the last court, and that Agnes Mason of Eton, widow, is his sister and next heir of the said John Putney and is of the age of 60 years and more.

Obit of tenant. To distraint for relief and fealty.

Also that they present that Alice Dolwyn, late wife of Robert Dolwyn, who held for term of her life in reversion, later to Thomas Dolwyn as son and next heir of the said Robert, a messuage and certain lands and tenements with appurtenances late of Richard Bysshop and earlier of Simon Goodwyn by fealty and rent of 6s.6d. yearly, has ended her days, after whose death the reversion of the messuage, lands and tenements aforesaid will descend, to the aforesaid Thomas Dolwyn as son and heir of the said Robert Dolwyn, which same Thomas is of the age of 26 years and more and has made fealty to the lord.

To distraint for relief and fealty.

Also that John Shepperd alias Webbe, who held of the lord on the day he died a messuage with a garden adjoining late of Richard Flude by fealty and rent of 9d yearly, has ended his days since the last court, and that William Shepperd is his son and nearest heir and of the of 40 years and more.

To distraint for relief and heriot

Also they present that Thomas Ramsey, son and heir of Thomas Ramsey, who held of the lord on the day he died a messuage called Peverelles with garden adjoining by fealty and rent of 2d. yearly and a heriot, viz. a sheep called a wether, or 2s, instead of same, and certain lands called Iknams for fealty and rent of 2s. yearly, also certain closes of pasture at Hucham for fealty and rent of 3d. yearly, has ended his days since The last court, and that (blank) Ramsey is son and nearest heir of the said Thomas Ramsey the son and is of the age of two years and is in custody of our Lord the King.

Part seized into the lord's hands for the above-named reason

Also they present that the Provost & Fellows of the Royal College of Blessed Mary and St. Nicholas of Eton have acquired from Robert Dens and Cristina his wife an acre of land lying in the field of Burnham contrary to the Statute of Mortmain thereunto made I provided Therefore &c.

To this court comes Thomas Buck, clerk, and acknowledges that he holds of the lord freely by charter an acre of land called Russhe acre formerly of William Goldwyn and earlier of John Goldwyn his father by fealty and rent of 3d. yearly and suit of court, and, certain lands lying at Upcottes late of said William Goldwyn, by rent of 3d. yearly, and does fealty to the lord.

Penalty imposed

Also they present that John Ingby by his own wrongdoing has regularly used a common way in the sown field on the left side of his house as far as Brodwaters to the serious damage of the lord of this manor and his tenants. Therefore he is ordered not to do so in future and to keep his hedge there well and sufficiently under penalty of 40d.

Day given to the homage

The homage has a day until the next court to inspect an encroachment which John Ingby at Gosland before the next court (? must remove: entry apparently incomplete)

Penalty imposed

Also it is ordered that the Lady Abbess of Burnham also before the feast of St. Peter called advincula (St. Peter's chains, 1st August) shall remove her bridge at Northfield in her pasture called le Choker, and keep it so removed until the feast of the annunciation of Blessed Mary next following under penalty of 10s. Also it is ordered to John Richardson that he takes down his hedge wherewith he has enclosed an acre of pasture lying at Tylstone before the feast of St. Peter called advincula under penalty of 12d. Item it is ordered to William Robertts that he shall not common with his animals (averia = draught animals) in the lord's common at Lake end under penalty of 40d. for as many times as he does it.

Ordinances made by the tenants of Dorney to be observed and kept from

henceforth. (These are given in English in the M. and. are copied with modernised spelling).

1. First it is ordained that no man shall drive oxen over the meadow from the Ascension Day unto Lammas Day (1st August) upon pain of everyone doing for every time 12d. except they be yoked.
2. Item that no man keep mares ("nor geldings" erased) at no time of the year in the common upon the pain of every one 40d. and they that be in the common to be driven away by Midsummer upon the same pain.
3. Item that no man put no beasts in the mead before the feast of Lammas except they do tie or keep them upon the pain of 40d.

Item that no man keep any sheep in the green from the feast of Saint Michael unto the Nativity of our Lady unto Michaelmas upon the pain of every one so doing 40d. Item all their hogs to be kept from our Lady Day in Lent unto Holy Rood Day (Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 14th September) by a herd—man and he to have a halfpenny for a hog and a farthing for a pig at Midsummer and at Michaelmas a penny a hog and a halfpenny a pig and the Constables to distrain for his wages that is not paid at the days aforesaid upon the pain of 40d. and they to have of every noble that is gathered. 4d. between them for their labour.

Item every man that hath hogs shall peg hem by Holy Rood Day upon the pain of everyone not so doing 6d.

The rent of 5s. by the year to keep a cow, a sow, a bacon hog and a youngling, that is to say, a beast under the age of 3 years, a goose and a gander, and the rent of 20s. 4 beasts and 20 sheep or else 6 beasts or horses and no sheep and 4 younglings, 2 geese and a gander, and they that pay double the said rents double beasts except geese for how much soever he payeth above 5s. to keep only but 2 geese and a gander, upon the pain of every beast that is to say cow, sow, bacon hog, sheep, youngling or goose 4d., and that all the beasts aforesaid above the stint except geese to be avoided by Midsummer upon pain of every beast 4d., and all geese above the stint to be avoided by Michaelmas upon pain of every goose 3d.

And Thomas Dolwyn and John Wylde and other to be chosen of Boveney to execute the same upon the pain of every one of them 40d., and they to have for the executing of the same of every 20d. that is lost 4d.

(in later hand)

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