

DORNEY MANOR COURT ROLLS

31st May 1544

6. Manor of Dorney

Court of William Garrard, citizen and haberdasher of London, held there the thirty first day of May in the thirty—sixth year of the reign of Henry VIII, by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith and supreme Head on earth of the English and Irish Church. (1544).

Essoin:

The Provost and his Fellows of the College of Eton essoin in common by William Tudwey.

Homage:

William Tudwey, Thomas Dolwyn, Richard Michell, William Wolward, Thomas Grove, John Golwyn, James Norres, Robert Shepard, John Ingby, Robert Pultone, Webbe, John Wyddowes, William Bondy, Robert Ingby, sworn.

Fine.

The aforesaid Homage say on their oath that William Mountagne, the Dean & Canons of the College of Wyndesore and Nicholas Clarke in right of his wife are tenants of this manor and owe suit of court and have made default, therefore each of them is in mercy 12d.

Withholding of rent

Also the said Homage say on their oath that Nicholas Clarke and Margaret his wife, daughter and heir of Thomas Ramsey, deceased, hold in right of the said Margaret, of the lord of this manor, a messuage with garden adjoining, with appurtenances, in Dorney by fealty, heriot, viz. a wether or 2s. for the same, rent of 2s. yearly and suit of court &c., and certain lands called Hyknams by fealty, rent of 2s. and suit of court, [Hickmanys] etc.; also certain closes of pasture at Hycham called Woodwardes by fealty, rang of 3d. yearly and suit of court; and that the said Nicholas and Margaret, by the space of three years now passed and more have withheld and do still withhold [Distraint for relief and heriot] from the lord of this manor the said several rents owed to him &c. Therefore the Bailiff is required to distraint as well for the rents as for fealty, heriot and relief.

Withholding of rent

Also the aforesaid Homage present and say that the Provost and Canons (sic) of the College of Eton, who hold of the lord of this manor a croft and certain lands at le Dyke called Lovecottes formerly of John Water by fealty and rent of 12d. yearly, a half-acre of land formerly of Alice Jurdeley and earlier of Master Simon de Eton in field of Eton in Longefurlong by fealty and yearly rent of 4d., and another half-acre of land formerly of the said Alice Jurdeley and earlier of Richard Cutella in aforesaid field by fealty and yearly rent of 4d. and an acre of land in aforesaid field formerly of said Alice Jurdeley and earlier of Hugh de Porta and William le Foster by fealty and yearly rent of 4d., and for each parcel thereof suit of court, &c., now for a long time past have detained and withheld and still do detain and withhold the said several rents and each part thereof from the lord of this manor, &c. Therefore the aforesaid Bailiff is required to distraint for the aforesaid rents, &c. before the next court.

Withholding of rent

The Homage aforesaid present that the Dean and Canons of the College of Wyndesore, who hold of the lord of this manor a messuage with appurtenances formerly of John Seymour afterwards of Thomas Fitzwater and after of Thomas Swane and then of John Seymour by fealty, yearly rent of 2d. and suit of court, and an acre of pasture next to said messuage in the Southfeld by fealty and yearly rent of 6d. and suit of court, and also two half—acres of land whereof one lies on Whetehille and the other on Longefurlonge, which is the headland, by fealty and yearly rent of 2d. and suit of court, also an acre of land at le Westowne in field of Hycham called Woodwardes by fealty and yearly rent of 3d. and suit of court, &c., now for a long time past have unjustly detained end withheld and do still unjustly detain and withhold the said several rents from the lord of this manor &c. Therefore it is required that distraint be made for the said rents and each part thereof and for the arrears of the same before the next court.

Death of a tenant

Also the aforesaid Homage present that William Ingby, who held of the lord of this manor a messuage, 42 acres and 12 rods of land and 2 acres of meadow with appurtenances, be it more or be it less, with all other lands, tenements and hereditaments which were once called Kymboldes Landes freely by charter, has ended his days since the last court, and after his death there falls due to the lord of this manor a heriot and for relief 6s.6d., viz. the rent of the aforesaid messuage lands and tenements for a year. And that Robert Ingby is his son and next heir and of full age, and here present in court he asks to be admitted to the tenements aforesaid, and has done fealty to the lord and is thence admitted as tenant, [Relief and heriot], and the Bailiff is required to distrain for the aforesaid relief and heriot.

Penalty.

Also the aforesaid Homage present that John Goldwyn, Robert Sheperd and William Woolward have enclosed with fences and ditches divers parcels of land in the common field, against the custom of this manor. Therefore each of them shall remove his fences before the feast of St. Peter called Advincula next coming, and that each shall let the said parcels of land lie in common, as other men of this town are accustomed to do, and this under pain of each one offending, 40s.

Penalty.

Also the said Homage present that William Tyldesley, gentleman, has enclosed with fences and banks a parcel of land called Newe hayes in Northfeld, contrary to the custom of this manor. Therefore he shall remove his fences and cast down his banks there before the aforesaid feast of St. Peter next coming, and shall let those parcels of land lie in common with the lands of his neighbours as ether men of this manor are accustomed to do, under pain of 40s.

Penalty.

The aforesaid Homage present that Richard Fuller alias Whytell ought to make a common gate for all the inhabitants of the town of Dorney to go in and out of a certain field called Assheford. Therefore he is required to make the same gate well and sufficiently before the aforesaid feast of St. Peter, under pain of 40s. Also the aforesaid Homage present that William Mountagne has put a mare on the common after Michaelmas last past. Therefore he is at mercie 3s. 4d.

Penalty Fine

Also the aforesaid Homage present that Nicholas Forge has put his sheep on a certain pasture of James Norres abutting on Mowsham to feed there, contrary to the Ordinance in the court held here on the 16th April in the 34th year of the reign of King Henry VIII. Therefore he is in mercy 40d. And moreover it is decreed that the said Nicholas shall not do the like in future, on pain of 20s.

Confirmation of ordinance

And also the aforesaid Homage confirm all the Ordinances and Articles decreed on the 11th day of June in the 18th year of the reign of King Henry VIII except the second and fifth Articles. Also they confirm all the Articles and Ordinances made and decreed in the courts held here in the 32nd and 34th years of the said King and that these shall be ratified by the said Homage and shall remain in their full strength and effect as is contained in Penalty the said Courts. And further the same Homage ordain and wish to ratify by themselves that none in future shall put a mare or horse to pasture on the common of this manor or in the common field, under pain of each one offending for each time he does it, 3s.4d.

Affeered by the whole homage.