

## 52 DEEDS RELATING TO PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY OF KENT

Arranged by parish or place alphabetically

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BONNINGTON BILSDINGTON 1736.

BRASTED 1628.

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NONNINGTON 1589.

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SMARDEN 1746.

ST JOHN'S, IN THE ISLE OF THANET, 1651, 1651, 1651, 1651, 1653, 1653, 1705, 1709, 1731,  
1787, 1807

TENTERDEN 1559, 1773, 1795.

TILMANSTON 1802, 1804.

TONBRIDGE 1591, 1597, 1668, 1679, 1680, 1680, 1686, 1687.

WILLESBOROUGH 1618, 1618.

WORTH 1812, 1812.

WYE 1546, 1547, 1574.

## BARGAIN AND SALE

Indenture dated 1st June 29 Elizabeth (1587) BETWEEN Anne Byshopp of Battell in the county of Sussex, widow of the one part and James Ffawden of Buckstedd in the said county of Sussex of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said Anne for and in consideration of a certain sum of money to her paid ... HATH bargained and sold unto the said James Ffawden ... ALL that messuage or tenement called 'Osbornes' and all lands, tenements and hereditaments to the same messuage belonging, situate, lying and being in the parish of Benenden in the county of Kent, containing by estimation 32 acres ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said James Ffawden his heirs and assigns ... forever...

Signed: Anne Bysshope

Attached to the original parchment tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2.6cms dia., very worn with no impression discernible.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Tho. Aynscombe, Rich. Bysshope and John Elpheek.

Endorsed:

Enrolled in Banco, Term of St. Trinity 29 Elizabeth.

Deed of Feoffment

Deed of Feoffment from Richard Bysshope of Lewes in the County of Sussex, taylor, for and in consideration of £140, to Richard Sharpp of Benenden in the County of Kent, clothier... of all that messuage or tenement, one barn with the appurtenances, one close, one forstall and ten pieces of land with the appurtenances called 'Osbornes'... containing in total by estimation 30 acres of land, meadow and pasture and wood... lying and situated in the parish of Benenden above the denne of Dengullynden... abutting to lands of Richard Wells junior and to lands of John Duke to the South and West, to lands of Richard Ffowle to the North, to lands of William Gybbon and to the denne road there to the East and another piece of land there abutting to lands of the said Richard Wells to the South and the said denne road there to the West and to lands late of William Evernden to the North and East and one other piece of land remaining lying and existing to the Queen's Highway there to the North, to lands late of William Evernden to the North and East and to the said denne road to the South and East... to have and to hold the said messuage &c... to the use of the said Richard Sharpp his heirs and assigns forever... of the chief lords of the fee...

Dated 20th September 30 Elizabeth I (1588)

Attached to the document by its original vellum tag is a seal, in red wax, c. 1" x 3/4", bearing the impression of the letters 'R B' set within a floral pattern.

The witnesses are given on the dorse. They are:

Leonard Byssope  
Robert Lorymer  
Laurence Weller, scribe.

CO. KENT

1736

RELEASE

Indenture dated 7th May 1736 BETWEEN John Hardress of the parish of Harbeldowne in the county of Kent, labourer of the first part and Richard K of Boughton Aluph in the said county, Gentleman of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said John Hardress... for and in consideration of the sum of £35... HATH given, granted &c... unto the said Richard K forever ALL that moiety or equal half part ( the whole in two equal parts to be divided ) of all that one small messuage or tenement, one barn and five pieces or parcels of arable pasture and woodland thereto belonging, containing by estimation six acres... with the appurtenances... situate, lying and being in the several parishes of Bunnington and Bilsington in the said county of Kent, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Samuel Cole or his assigns... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said ,moiety and premises to the only use and behoof of the said Richard K his heirs and assigns forever... TO BE HOLDEN of the chief Lord or Lords of that fee by the rents, services &c due...

Signed: John Hards

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in red wax, oval, c 1.4cms x 1cm, slightly fragmented along its edges, bearing the impression of a bearded man facing the right.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Ralph Perry and Thomas Bassett.

RELEASE

Indenture dated 5th March 3 Charles I (1628) BETWEEN Abraham Jacob of London Esquire and John Jacob esquire son and heir apparant of the said Abraham Jacob of the one part and George Evelyn of Deane in the county of Wiltshire Esquire, Anthony Carleton of Sevenoaks in the county of Kent, Gentleman and Thomas Allanson of London, Gentleman of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said Abraham Jacob and John Jacob ... for and in consideration of £1400 ... HAVE granted, bargained, sold &c... unto the said George Evelyn, Anthony Charleton and Thomas Allanson and their heirs ... ALL that capital messuage wherein Sir Thomas Hamond Knight now dwells or did lately dwell, called ... 'Crows Place' ... situated and being within the parish of Brasted in the county of Kent, with all and singular the barns, stables, brewhouse, dovehouse, edificies, buildings, orchards, gardens, courts, yards, backsides, easements, profits, ways, common, common of pasture &c... and also all that meadow, situated and being in Brasted aforesaid and Sundridge in the said county of Kent, situate on the North side of the highway leading from Brasted to Sundridge ... containing by estimation 8 acres and also all those several five closes ... lying together on the South side of the said messuage called ... by the names of 'Barnefield', 'Culvercrofte', 'Kempton', 'the Lower Deane' and 'the Upper Deane', containing by estimation 45 acres ... all which said five last mentioned parcels of land are situate lying and being in Brasted aforesaid ... and now or late were also in the tenure or occupation of the said Sir Thomas Hamond and also all those woods and woodgrounds called 'Breachwood' or by the several names of 'Great Breachwood' and 'Little Breachwood', situate and being within the parish of Brasted and also so much of a wood ... called 'Everest Deane' als. 'Nyne Acres Coppice', as now or late were enclosed and laid out unto the said wood called 'Breachwood' and was lately settled together with the said 'Breachwood', the said woods and woodlands called 'Great Breachwood', 'Little Breachwood' and the foresaid parcel of 'Everest Deane' containing by estimation 50 acres ... AND also all that parcel of ground arable and pasture with the appurtenances called ... 'Broadfield', containing by estimation 10 acres.. situated, lying and being in the parish of Brasted ... being now divided into two parcels, late in the tenure of Henry Cousens or his assigns ... abutting upon the lands late the lands of William Crowe of Mayes in the county of Sussex Esquire, called 'Upper Deane' and 'Lower Deane' on the North, 'Hillefield' on the East, upon 'Chamblens Bancke' on the South and upon the lands late of Nicholas Seyliard, Gentleman, deceased and a narrow lane leading from Brasted Town unto the said parcel of land on the West and also all that close of pasture in

Brasted called 'the Cowpasture', containing by estimation 7½ acres ... late purchased of Henry Deane of Brasted ... AND ... also all that chapel or chauncel on the North side of the parish church of Brasted called ... 'Stocketts Chauncel', with all the seats and pews therein and all deeds, evidences and writings touching the same ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said George Evelyn et al... and their assigns forever ... ALL which said premises the said Abraham Jacob heretofor purchased to him and his heirs of Edward Michell Esquire, Robert Tichborne citizen and skinner of London and Robert Seyliard, Gentleman by an indenture dated 1st July 1623 and afterwards the said Abraham Jacob by an indenture dated 29th April 1625 did convey ... amongst other things the same to the use of John Jacob and Elizabeth his wife and the heirs of the body of the said John Jacob lawfully begotten... and for lack of such heirs and issue to the use of the said Abraham Jacob and his heirs forever... with a proviso in the said last mentioned indenture contained ... that if within the space of three years ... from the date of the last mentioned indenture ... the said Abraham Jacob should in lieu and recompense of the said capital message &c.. hereinbefore mentioned well and sufficiently convey .. other lands, tenements and hereditaments which should be of a good and perfect quality title, free from all incumbrances of the clear yearly value of four score pounds by year ... situated and being within three score miles of the city of London and by such conveyance limit the uses thereof to such and the like uses as the premises before mentioned were by the said indenture of 29th April limited.. which said three years ... is now so near expiring that other lands cannot in lieu of the premises be within time conveyed whereby to alter and change the use according to the intent of the said proviso... IT is thereby covenanted &c... between the said parties &c &c...

Signed:        Abraham Jacob                      John Jacob

Attached to the document are two large seal tags. The first bears no seal, but the second, John Jacob's, carries a seal, in red wax, c 4cms x 3.5cms, 1.8cms thick, the surface somewhat damaged, but the full achievement of the Bromley-by-Bow Jacobs is still discernible, viz, 'A chevron between three heraldic tigers' heads erased, with a crest of a heraldic tiger passant..'.  
The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Chr. Hall, J. Clerke, William Wodenothe and Fra. Harding (?).

Enrolled in Chancery 14th March.

EGERTON CUSTOMAL

--- Wootton	3/4
John Gundi	3/-
Gilbert Peris	3/- (2/2 in left margin)
deane of Westmester	0/10
prior of St. Jacobbis	10/-
Nicholas Pembell	0/20½
Robert Pembell	0/20 (in right margin 3d and 7½d)
Lor--- Baldok and Richard Hart	0/14
Thomas Bachler	0/16
John Baker	0/6½
Robert Peris	0/10
John Fogge	0/10
George Barleng	0/3
John Rayner now Tilman	0/3
Robert Newenton	0/6
Wardens for yewkled	0/2½
John Harris	0/1
the parson	0/1
George Burwassh	
of the 'dewk of admond	0/18
Richard Adams chappell bednor	0/6

CHARRENG

William Chamber	0/16 12d (sic)
Robert Luke	0/14
John Barber	0/3- (sic)
foxtan	0/12½
--- Bandis (?)	0/16
hochen for acton	2/8
--- Darrell for burlegh	5/4½
The chantry	5/4½
George Rayner	3/2
Thomas Payne	3/1
John Brent	0/10

On dorse is written 'Egerton Custom and Charring'.

The MS is on parchment, c 15 cms in width by 54 cms in length.  
It is not dated.

## MORTGAGE:

Bargain and sale by Thomas Reader of Bredgar Gentleman... to George Wolton of Pluckeley clothyer... of all that his messuage, 1 barn, 1 garden and 14 parcels of land with all their appurtenances... containing in the whole 35 acres of land... situated... in Egerton, Lyttyll Chart and Pevyngton... which the said Thomas Reader late purchased to him and his heirs of the said George Wolton by his charter dated 20th July 12 Elizabeth... and which is in the occupation of John Thetcher or his assigns.... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... unto the said George Wolton his heirs and assigns forever... under the condition that the said George Wolton pay to the said Thomas Reader ... at his mansion house where he now lives in Bredgar... £100 in form and manner as follows... in the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next between the hours of 1 and 4 PM £50... and in the feast of St. James the Apostle in the year 1571 at the same place and time the other £50... &c...

Signed: Thomas Reader

Dated 24th July 12 Elizabeth (1570)

Attached to the document by its original seal tag is a seal, red, c 2cms by 2 cms., square, bearing the worn impression of a bird.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are: John Thetcher, Robert Pery and Robert Taunton(?).



CO. KENT

1574

BOND:

Bond between John Bachelor of Egerton, Co. Kent yeoman and Walter Mund...  
in the sum of £200...

Dated 29th March 16 Elizabeth (1574)

The witnesses are: Robert Pery, Richard Sybley, Abraham Bocher, and  
Zachary Tylman.

Attached to the document remains its tongue, but the seal is lacking.

The conditions of the bond are that... whereas John Bachelor by his deed poll  
of even date... granted &c... to Walter Mund 1 messuage, 1 garden and  
9 parcels of land... containing 16 acres of land... lying and being in  
Egerton, Chart and Pevyngton in the Co. of Kent... for the term of 1 whole  
year &c... he levy a fine during the course of the coming year...

CO. KENT

1574

FINAL CONCORD:

In the morrow of All Saints... 16 Elizabeth... between Walter Mundi quer.  
and John Bachelor and Agnes his wife def.... of 1 messuage, 1 garden, 6 acres  
land, 3 acres meadow and 8 acres pasture with the appurtenances in Egerton,  
Pevyngton and Parva Chart... plea of covenant... £40 sterling...

## RELEASE

Indenture dated 17th April 5 Queen Anne (1706) BETWEEN William Pittock of the parish of Great Mongeham in the county of Kent, yeoman of the one part and Thomas Leake of the parish of Walmer in the said county, yeoman and Elizabeth his wife of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said William Pittock for and in consideration of the sum of £35 ... HATH granted, bargained &c... unto the said Thomas and Elizabeth ... ALL THAT piece or parcel of arable land, containing by estimation 2 acres and 1 rod of land, lying and being in the parish of Great Mongeham aforesaid in Upper Shott in Mongeham Field (that is to say) to the lands late of Anne Crayford, widow towards the East, to the lands of Joshua Coppin towards the South, to the lands belonging to the church of Christ Canterbury towards the West and to the Queen's highway dividing the parishes of Deal and Great Mongeham towards the North, now or late in the tenure or occupation of the said William Pittock ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD .. the said piece or parcel of land ... unto the said Thomas Leake and Elizabeth his wife &c... forever...

Signed: William Pittooke

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in red wax, c. 1.25cms dia., bearing the impression of a lion rampant.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Richard Field, Richard Johnson and John Paramor.

The document is endorsed as follows:

1st January 1768.

Elizabeth the wife of the said Thomas Leake was buried at Walmer on 22nd September 1710. She is called by mistake in the register the wife of Richard Leake, but was the wife of Thomas, as Mrs. Ann Paramor remembers. Said Thomas Leake was buried at Walmer 7th March 1715.

S. Roby attest at Deal.

A Lease for one year for the same property is also present.

## DEED OF FURTHER MORTGAGE

Indenture made 28th December 1844 BETWEEN William Firminger of the parish of Little Mongham in the county of Kent, labourer of the one part and George Mercer and James Barber Edwards both of Deal Gentlemen of the other part WITNESSETH that for an in consideration of £50 ... the said William Firminger hath granted &c... unto the said George Mercer and James Barber Edwards .. first ALL those two messuages or tenements adjoining together, formerly one messuage ... and also all that other messuage or tenement ( in two dwellings ) formerly an outhouse situated at the South West side of the said two messuages ... together with three tenements lately erected and built by the said William Firminger and added to the said other premises with the outhouses ... containing in the whole by estimation one rood and a half ... together with a piece of ground lying at the North West side of the before mentioned premises containing by estimation seven perches ... heretofore described to contain ten perches ... all which said messuage &c... are situated ... in the parish of Great Mongeham ... and do abut and adjoin to the lands late of William Noakes deceased towards the East, South and West and to the Queen's highway there towards the North, formerly in the several tenures ... of William Rigden, Stephen Hopper, ----- Castle and ----- Gibbons and now or late of George Williams, Robert Wyborn, James Friend, John Rigden, Sarah Rigden Stringer, John Newing and William Ovenden ... and secondly ALL that messuage or tenement and the shop, outhouses &c... to the said messuage belonging or near adjoining, containing in the whole by estimate one acre ... situated in the parish of Great Mongeham ... formerly in the tenure of Mary Shorter or her assigns, since of Edward Chidwick deceased or of his assigns, late of William Rigden and now or late of James Divers or of his assigns ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c. to the use of the said George Mercer and James Barber Edwards forever ... subject nevertheless to a mortgage in fee made of the same premises by the said William Firminger to John Mercer late of Deal Gentleman in and by an indenture dated 22nd September 1843 ... for securing the sum of £300 ( now due ) with interest ... PROVIDED always that if the said William ... pay ... unto the said George Mercer and James Barber Edwards ... £50 with interest at the rate of £4 per annum per centum ... on 28th June next ... then this present to be void &c....

Signed: William Firminger 'X' his mark , George Mercer  
James Barber Edwards.

Three seals are attached to the seal fold. All bear the same impression, on red wax, of an oval, irregular matrix.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are William R. Hammond and Edward Hammond, clerks to solicitors George Mercer and James Barber Edwards.

Quitclaim by Thomas Ffrenchere of the parish of Wodecherche to James Hope and Henry Hope the son and heir of Stephen Hope of the parish of Halden... to two pieces of land lying together in the parish of Halden above the denne of Henerisden... lying towards the North to land of William Amyot, and towards the South to land of Elene the relict of William Monynden and towards the East to land of Thomas Sextayn and towards the West to a certain road called 'le gorestrete'...

Dated at Wodecherche 12th October 1 Henry V (1413)

The witnesses are Thomas ate Bregge, Thomas Wyll, William Wyll, John ate Hope, Stephen Holnerste, Nicholas Peerys, Richard Kempynden and others.

## ADMITTANCE

Court with view of Frankpledge of John Watkins clerk, deacon of the church cathedral of Hereford and prebendary of the prebend of Nonington there held 23rd October 31 Elizabeth ... at the court of John Gery senescal there ... it is thus enrolled ... to this court came Thomas Tompkyns in his own person and surrendered into the hands of the Lord two messuages and half a virgate of land called 'Nasshes' and 'awlfolls' in Nonington aforesaid ... to the intent to rehold the said message and lands to the same Thomas and Alice his wife and John Tompkyns, brother of the same Thomas and under custom of the said manor of whence accident to the Lord of two herriot came ... surrendered to wit ..... 53/4 ... which the Lord by his senescal granted together with the said mesuage &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLF to the said Thomas and Alice his wife and John Tompkyns ... and grants a license to confirm the message and lands to whomsoever they wish for a fine of 20/- and Thomas made fealty to the Lord and was admitted tenant ...

A true copy examined by me John Gery sen.

## AWARD:

To all to whom this present writing shall come ... WITNESSETH that Roger Manwood, one of the Queen's Justices of the Court of 'comen plees' arbitrator as well by Richard Love of seavenock Esquire on the one part as by Thomas Wale of Seale Gentleman for himself and the behalf of his wife and John Teboulde, one of the sons of Richard Teboulde Esquire deceased, one of the other part indifferently named and chosen to order and determine a controversy touching the right the right and interest of a ponde or water course commonly called 'Newell Poande' in the parish of Seavenock aforesaid, the water whereof doth run downe and into the water mylls cawled Gretnes mylles neare adjoining... doe make publish and declare myne award and order in manner and form following THAT IS TO SAYE that the said 'Newell Poande' is and ought to be and shalbe forever enjoyed by the said Thomas Wale his wife and the said John Tebold and such other person and persons as the said Richard Tebowlde hath by his last will and testament... limited and appointed to enjoye. 'Stydellsfferme' as parcel of the freehold and inheritance of the said 'Stydells ferme land' which was of the said Richard Tebowlde... and that the said Thomas Wale his wife and the said John Teboulde and the said other persons by any conveyance of the said Richard Tebowlde limited to enjoy the said 'Stydells ferme' shall from time to time repay sustain and maintain the hedd of the said pond called 'Newell Ponde'... sufficiently as... need shall require... AND that in consideration thereof the said Richard Love his heirs and assigns owners of the said mills called 'Gretnes mills' shall pay or cause to be paid forever to the said Thomas Wale his wife and John Teboulde... the yearly rent of 5/- to be paid on the feast day of the annunciation of our Lady and of St. Michael the archangel by even portions...

Dated: 15th November 15 Elizabeth (1573)

Signed: R ---nwood (lacking)

The seal tag is lacking.

CO. KENT

1575

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Edward Wylles of Bethersden in the County of Kent, taylor to William Post of Pluckeley in the aforesaid county, clothmaker... of one messuage, one barn, one garden and three pieces of land called 'fforstede', containing in the whole 4 acres of land with the appurtenances, situated, lying and existing together in the parish of Shadokisherst in the aforesaid county... to wit, to the lands of the heirs of Avered Randoll to the East, to the Queen's highway there to the South and to lands of John Taylor to the West and North... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c. unto the said William, his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: 30th January 18 Elizabeth (1575)

Signed:

Attached to the document by its original parchment tag is a seal, in red wax, bearing the major portion of a seal:



The names of the witnesses are given on the dorse of the document. They are: William Doull and Dave Hade, with others.


CO. KENT

1576

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Edward Wylles of Bethersden in the County of Kent, taylor to William Post of Pluckeley in the County aforesaid, clothmaker and to his heirs &c.... of one messuage, one barn, one garden and three pieces of land called 'fforstede', containing in the whole by estimation 4 acres of land... situated and being in the parish of Shadokisherst in the County of Kent aforesaid to wit, to land of the heirs of Avered Randell to the East, to the Queen's highway there to the South and to lands of John Taylor to the West and North...

Dated: 28th March 18 Elizabeth (1576)

Signed : 

The original parchment tag is attached to the deed, but the seal is lacking.

The names of the witnesses, given on the dorse, are:

William Dowll, Dave Lade and John Post with others.

EM 360.




CO. KENT

1576

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Edward Wylles of Bethersden in the county of Kent, tailor ... to William Post of Pluckley in the county of Kent, clothmaker and his heirs ... in and to one messuage, one barn, one garden and three pieces of land called 'fforstede', containing in the whole by estimation 4 acres of land, situate and being in the parish of Shadokisherst in the county of Kent... to wit to land of the heirs of Avered Randoll towards the East, to the Queen's highway there towards the South and to lands of John Taylar towards the West and North...

Dated: 28th March 18 Elizabeth (1576).

Signed: 

Attached to the document is its original seal tag, but the seal is lacking.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are William Dowll and Dave Lade and John Post with others (sic).

On dorse ref. no. EM 360.

## FEOFMENT ( WITH BARGAIN AND SALE )

Feofment by John Wymsherst of Shadoxhurst in the county of Kent, husbandman ... for and in consideration of £55 ... to Richard Maie junior of Shadoxhurst aforesaid, carpeneter ... of one messuage or tenement, one barn, one garden and three pieces of land called 'fforstedden', containing by estimation 4 acres of land ... situate and lying in Shadoxhurst aforesaid, abutting the lands of John Taylor Gentleman towards the East, West and North and to the Queen's highway towards the South... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... to the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever... to the use of the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: 20th March 35 Elizabeth (1593)

Signed: The mark of John Wymsherst

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 1.9cms dia, bearing the impression, rather worn, of a bird set within a circular bordure.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the seal fold, are John Sewell, John Spratt and Thomas Veryck, not. public.

End. with ref EM 345

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by John Wymherst of Shadoxherst in the county of Kent husbandman... for and in consideration of £33... to Richard Maie junior of Shadoxherst aforesaid carpinter of one messuage or tenement, one barn, one garden and three pieces of land called 'fforstedden', containing in all by estimation 4 acres of land... situate and lying in Shadoxherst aforesaid abutting the lands of John Taylor Gentleman towards the East, West and North and to the Queen's highway towards the South TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... to the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever... to the use of the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: 20th March 35 Elizabeth (1593).

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2cms dia., bearing the worn impression of a bird within a circular bordure.

The witnesses are John Sewell, John Spratt and Thomas Veryck not publ.

EM 345

FEOFMENT

Feofment by John Wymsherst of Shadoxherst in the County of Kent, husbandman for and in consideration of £33... to Richard Maie, junior of Shadoxherst aforesaid, carpenter... of one messuage or tenement, one barn, one garden and three pieces of land called 'fforsteddes', containing in all by estimation 4 acres of land... situated and lying in Sjadoxherst aforesaid, abutting the lands of John Taylor, Gentleman to the East, West and North and to the Queen's highway towards the South... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c. unto the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever, to the use of the said Richard his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated :            20th March 35 Elizabeth (1593)

Signed:            The mark of John Wymsherst

Attached to the document by its original parchment tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2 cms. dia., bearing, within a circle, the worn impression of a bird.

The names of the witnesses are given on the seal fold. They are: John Sewell, John Spratt and Thomas Veryck, not. public..

CO. KENT

1594

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by John Wymherst of Shadoxherst in the county of Kent, husbandman to Richard Maie junior of the same place, carpenter, his heirs and assigns .. of and in one messuage or tenement, one barn, one garden and three parcels of land called 'fforsteddes', containing in the whole by estimation 4 acres of land, situated and lying in Shadoxherst aforesaid .....

Dated: 21st March 35 Elizabeth (1594)

Attached to the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2cms dia., very worn with no impression discernible.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the seal fold are John Sewell &c. ( as before ).

On the dorse is the ref no EM 356.

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by John Wymsherst of Shadoxherst in the County of Kent, husbandman to Richard Maie, junior of the same place, carpenter his heirs and assigns ... to one messuage or tenement, one barn, one garden and three parcels of land called 'fforsteddes', containing in the whole by estimation 4 acres of land... situated and lying in Shadoxherst aforesaid...to the land of the heirs of Avered Randoll to the East, to the Queen's highway there to the South and to lands of John Taylor to the West and North...

Dated: 21st March 35 Elizabeth (1594)

Attached to the document by its original parchment tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2 cms. dia., somewhat worn, bearing no distinct impression.

The names of the witnesses are given on the seal fold. They are: John Sewell, John Spratt and Thomas Veryck, not. public..

EM 345

## SMARDEN

## ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE

Indenture dated 1st January 29 George II (1746) BETWEEN Phillip Clarke of Newington Butt in the county of Surrey linen draper and William Clarke of the parish of St. George the Matyre in the said county of Surrey brick layer of the one part and Samuel Illing of the parish of Camberwell in the county of Surrey aforesaid coal merchant of the other part ... WHEREAS William Sharp heretofore of the parish of St. Saviou's Southwark in the county of Surrey distiller deceased did by his last will and testament dated 11th December 1722 give devise and bequeath unto his loving wife Sarah Sharpe all that freehold farm and premises commonly called ... 'Hegg Hill House', together with all the arable pasture and meadow thereunto belonging, containing by estimation 70 acres and also all orchards, outhouses barns, stables &c... to the said farm house belonging ... which said premises are situate ... in or near the parish of Smarden in the county of Kent and then were in the tenure or occupation of John Dawn (?) the elder.. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises ... unto his said wife Sarah from.. his decease for the term of her natural life.. and if his said wife should happen to have issue by him at her decease living, then in such case... he did give, devise &c... the aforesaid farm house &c...unto such issue... but if his said wife should die without issue by him then living... then.. he did give, devise &c... the aforesaid farmhouse... to his sister Susanna Joachim widow during the term of her natural life... and from and after her decease ... the farm and premises should be sold for the most profit... and the money that should arise from the sale he did give and bequeath in manner following... £200 .. unto his sister in law Ann Chapman spinster ( now the wife of John Waller, daughter of Thomas Chapman, then late of Rusper in the county of Sussex farmer deceased ) and the remainder of the money .. unto his nephews the said Phillip Clarke and William Clark, whom the testator described as the sons of his brother in law Phillip Clarke of St. Saviou's Southwark brick layer, to be equally divided between them ... to be paid at their ages of 21 years ...AND WHEREAS the said .. Susanna Joachim ... hath departed this life ... and the said Sarah Sharpe the widow and executrix ... has since intermarried with the said Samuel Illing and is now living ... AND WHEREAS the said testator William Sharp before his death did subject ... by way of mortgage the said farm house &c... to the sum of £106/5/0 and interest which still remains unpaid.. AND WHEREAS the said Samuel Illing hath contracted and agreed ... for the absolute purchase of several hereditaments of Phillip Clarke and William Clarke... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of £110... they the said Phillip and William .. HAVE ... set over.. unto the said Samuel Illing.. ALL the estate right &c... they have in the aforesaid premises... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Samuel Illing his heirs &c.. forever...

Signed: Philip Clark      William Clark

Attached to the seal fold are two seals, in red wax, c 1½ cms dia., bearing the impression of a male profile facing the left.

The witnesses are W. Berry, Hubert Gibbons and Jon Dunstall, St. Saviour's Southwark.

## RELEASE

Indenture dated 10th November 1651 BETWEEN Edward Gurney of St. Lawrence in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent, yeoman, of the one part and John Quilter and Thomas Quilter of St. Johns in the said Isle and county, yeomen of the other part... WHEREAS the said Edward Gurney hath heretofore taken to wife Thomazine, daughter of the said John Quilter and sister of the said Thomas Quilter in consideration of which marriage the said Edward Gurney hath heretofore granted an annuity of £20 per annum to the said John Quilter for a competent joynture for the said Thomazine in case she over lived him, the said Edward did grant and confirm unto the said John Quilter and to his heirs one annuity of £20... issuing out of all that messuage or tenement, one barn, one stable and 25 acres of land contained by estimation... arable and fresh marsh... being in the parish of Wickhambreux at or near a place there called 'grove'... to be had... unto the said John Quilter and his heirs to the only use of the said Thomazine... AND WHEREAS the said Edward Gurney hath lately bargained and sold the said messuage &c.... unto one Daniel Wyborne and his heirs... and whereupon the said annuity is not only surrendered but the said Edward and Thomas have acknowledged a fine... whereby the said Thomazine is absolutely barred of all dower &c... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESETH that the said Edward Gurney... HATH given, granted &c... unto the said John Quilter and Thomas Quilter and to their heirs one annuity of £20 issuing out of ALL that messuage or tenement commonly called 'Lidden' and out of all the malthouse, barnes, stables &c... situate lying and being in the parishes of St. John and St. Lawrence and now in the tenure or occupation of the said John Quilter... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said John Quilter and Thomas Quilter and their heirs forever to the only use and behoof of the said Thomazine Gurney for the term of her natural life...

Signed:        John Quilter

Attached to the document are two seal tags. One carries the fragments of a seal, in red wax.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Wilther (sic) Wilker and John Verrier.



## RELEASE

Indenture made 20th June 1651 BETWEEN John Quilter of the parish of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet and the county of Kent, yeoman of the one part and Edward Gurney of the parish of St Laurence in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent, yeoman of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said John Quilter for and in consideration of £2160 ... HATH granted &c.... unto the said Edward Gurney .. ALL THAT messuage or tenement called 'Lidden', the malthouse, dovehouse, barne, stable, potherhouse, outhouses, wellhouse, orchard, garden, ground, yards and place thereunto belonging .. with their appurtenances situate lying and being in the parish of St. John the Baptist and now in the tenure or occupation of the said John Quilter AND ALSO all those 8 pieces or parcels of land arable and pasture with their appurtenances, containing together in the whole by estimation 1 acre and 3 roods of land, lying and being in the parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Lawrence ... and now also in the tenure or occupation of John Quilter ... ( one piece or parcel of arable land containing 11 acres lying and being in the said parish of St. John the Baptist, which the said John Quilter lately purchased to him and his heirs of William Claybrook Gentleman and now heretofor used occupied and enjoyed with the said premises only excepted )... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... to the sole and onely use ... of the said Edward Gurney his heirs and assigns forever...

Signed:            John Quilter

Attached to the document by its tag is a seal, in red wax, being somewhat fragmented, no impression being discernible.

The witnesses, named on the dorse, are Thomas Quilter, John Gibbon and John Verrier.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST AND ST. LAWRENCE IN THE ISLE OF THANET,  
RECVLVER, STURREY AND WICKHAMBREUX

DEED TO LEAD TO THE USES OF A FINE

Indenture dated 10th September 1651 BETWEEN John Quilter of St. Johns in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent yeoman and Jane his wife, John Hall of St. Peters in the Isle of Thanet malster and Susan his wife, Edward Guerny of St. Lawrence in the Isle of Thanet yeoman and Thomasine his wife and Katherine Wilkes of Northbourne in the county of Kent widow of the first part, Daniell Wyborne of Northborough yeoman of the second part and John Gibbon of Sandwich in the county of Kent malster of the third part... WHEREAS the said Katherine stands seized of 2 pieces of land containing by estimation 4 acres, with the appurtenances, lying and being in the parishes of Reculver and Sturrey... whereof one parcel of the said two pieces of land contains by estimation 2 acres... being in the borrough of Hoath next to the chappel there in the said parish of Reculver and the other piece or close of land contains about 2 acres... and is commonly called 'Little Lewkeres' and is lying and being in the said parish of Sturry in the borrough of Buckwell... AND WHEREAS the said Edward Gurney hath heretofore/... purchased... of the said John Quilter, John Hall and Susan his wife one messuage or tenement and 14 acres of land... situate in the parish of St. Lawrence... AND WHEREAS ALSO the said Edward Gurney hath heretofore.. purchased of the said John Quilter ALL that messuage or tenement ... containing 100 acres 1 rood of land.. situate in the said parishes of St. John and St. Lawrence... and are now in the tenure or occupation of the said John Quilter... AND WHEREAS ALSO the said Daniell Wyborne hath.. purchased of the said Edward Gurney ALL that messuage or tenement, barn, stable, ocrhard, garden and lands to the said messuage belonging, containing by estimation 25 acres of land and fresh marsh with the appurtenances, situate lying and being in the parish of Wickhambreux.. at or near a certain place there called 'Grove' and now in the tenure or occupation of Leonard Goldfinch or his assigns... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITHNESSETH that for the making and perfect settling of the aforesaid two pieces of land containing 4 acres.. to the end that the said Katherine Wilkes may stand lawfully seized thereof... AND to the end that the said Edward Gurney.. may hereafter more quieter enjoy the said messuage &c.. and 14 acres of land... AND the said messuage called 'Lydden', situate in the parish of St. John and all the malthouse, dovehouse, barns &c... and 100 acres 1 rood of land... to be purchased by John Quilter... AND to the end that the said Daniell Wyborne may.. hereafter the better enjoy the said messuage and 25 acres of fresh marsh.. mentioned to be purchased... It is covenanted, concluded &c.. that the parties hereto will before the end of Michaelmas Term next.. in due form of law/... levy a fine &c...

Signed: John Quilter Jane Quilter John Hall Susan Hall  
Edward Gurney Thomas Gurney John Gibbon Daniel Wyborne

Attached to the document are five seal tags, bearing the fragments of seals in red wax.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Thomas Hill, John Verrier, Adam Blakeland (?).

CO. KENT

1651

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST AND ST. LAWRENCE IN THE ISLE OF THANET,  
RECVLVER, STURRY AND WICKHAMBREUX

FINAL CONCORD

Final Concord.. Michaelmas Term... 1651 ... BETWEEN John Gibbon and Daniel Wyborne pl. and John Quilter and Jane his wife, John Hall and Susan his wife, Edward Gurney and Thomazine his wife and Katherine Wilkes widow defs.... of two messuages, one cottage, one malthouse, one dovehouse, two barns, two stables, two gardens, two orchards, 120 acres land and 15 acres pasture with the appurtnances in the parishes of St. John the Baptist and St. Lawrence in the Isle of Thanet, Reculver, Sturrey and Wickhambreux... plea of covenant... right of John Gibbon... which said John Gibbon and Daniel Wyborne have by the gift of the said John Quilter and co...

Consideration: £140 sterling.

CO. KENT

1653

LYDDEN IN THE PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST IN THE ISLE OF THANET  
RELEASE

Indenture dated 10th December 1653 BETWEEN Thomas Quilter of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent yeoman of the one part and Edward Gurney of St. Lawrence in the Isle of Thanet yeoman of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said Thomas Quilter.. for and in consideration of £30... HATH granted, bargained, sold &c... unto the said Edward Gurney.. ALL that messuage or tenement, barn, orchard, garden and one parcel of land, containing by estimation 1 acre of land, lying and being at Lidden in the parish of St. John the Baptist and now or late in the occupation of Bartholemew Startor (?)... and abutting to the highway there towards the East and to the lands of the said Edward Gurney towards the South, West and North... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c.. unto the said Edward Gurney his heirs and assigns forever...

Signed: Thomas Quilter.

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 3½ cms dia., bearing no impression.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are Daniel Wyburne and John Verrier.

CO. KENT

1653

PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, ISLE OF THANET : LYDDEN

RELEASE

Indenture dated 10th December 1653 BETWEEN Thomas Quilter of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent yeoman of the one part and Edward Gurney of St. Lawrence in the said Isle of Thanet yeoman of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said Thomas Quilter for and in consideration of £30.. HATH granted bargained &c... unto the said Edward Gurney.. ALL that messuage or tenement, barn, orchard, garden and one parcel of land, containing by estimation one acre, lying and being at Lydden in the parish of St. John the Baptist and now or late in the tenure or occupation of ----- (?) or his assigns and abutting to the King's highway there towards the East and to the lands of the said Edward Gurney towards the South, West and North ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... unto the said Edward Gurney his heirs and assigns forever... ( covenant of discharge from dower of Elizabeth, now the wife of Thomas Quilter..)

Signed: Thomas Quilter.

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 4 cms. x 3 cms., bearing no impression.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Daniel Wyburne and John Verrier.

CO. KENT

1705

PARISH OF ST. JOHN IN THE ISLE OF THANET

RELEASE

Indenture dated 14th July 4 Anne (1705) BETWEEN Thomas Sladden of Margate in the parish of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent yeoman of the one part and Margaret Welling of Margate widow of the other part ... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of £86... he the said Thomas Sladden HATH granted, bargained &c... unto the said Margaret Welling ALL that messuage or tenement and the yard or backside thereunto adjoining .. situate in the parish of St. John the Baptist.. now in the tenure or occupation of John Freeman.. which said messuage &c... adjoins one other messuage or tenement lately purchased of the said Thomas Sladden by Mathew Grant of Margate ship carpenter and abutts to the messuage or tenement belonging to the heirs of Captain John Glover deceased towards the West, to the Queen's highway there towards the North and to the messuage or tenement, yard and premises of Stephen Pamphlett towards the South... and also the free use and liberty of 'evesdroppings' from the said messuage hereby granted unto the aforesaid yards or backsides in the same manner as the watercourses are now used there according to the true intent... of a certain reservation in that behalf made to Thomas Sladden his heirs and assigns in and by one indenture of release dated 24th June 1704 made between the said Thomas Sladden and William Belcy of the parish of Minster in the Isle of Thanet yeoman and Mary his wife ( eldest daughter of the said Thomas Sladden ) and Elizabeth Sladden spinster ( youngest daughter of the said Thomas Sladden ) of the one part and the said Mathew Grant of the other part... to have and to hold ... the said premises... unto the said Margaret Sladden her heirs and assigns forever...

Signed: Thomas Sladden.

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2.2 cms dia., bearing the fine impression of an armorial device. The shield is quartered by six. Nos 1, 3 and 5 bear a saltire. The other quarterings cannot be distinguished.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Richard Prince and James Turner.

CO. KENT

1709

PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, ISLE OF THANET

DISCHARGE OF LEGACY

To all to whom this present writing shall come... Thomas Kingsford of the parish of West Cliffe in the county of Kent yeoman and Elizabeth his wife send greeting &c... they acknowledge to have received of John Gurney of the parish of St. John the Baptist.. yeoman, executor of the last will of John Gurney his late father deceased the sum of £200... being in full a legacy ... bequeathed to the said Elizabeth ...and they the said Thomas Kingsford and Elizabeth his wife do acquit and discharge the said John Gurney the son ... forever...

Dated: 4th June 1709

Signed: Thomas Kingsford Elizabeth Kingsford

Attached to the paper document is a seal, in red wax, c 1 cm dia., bearing the impression of a lion rampant. This is Thomas Kingford's seal. Below is attached that of Elizabeth Kingsford, which is of similar dimension, but bears the impression of a fleur de lis.

The witnesses are John Paramor and Saphir (?) Paramor.



## QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Mary Parnell of the parish of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent, widow and relict of Thomas Parnell, late of the parish of St. John the Baptist aforesaid, miller, deceased .. for and in consideration of 5/- ... to John Gurney of Lidden in the parish aforesaid ... his heirs and assigns forever .. ALL and all manner of dower right &c... of and in all or either of those two pieces or parcels of land with the appurtenances ... lying and being in the parish of St. John the Baptist aforesaid one of the said pieces of land is called ... 'the eleven acres' and contains in the whole ... 11 acres and 25 perches... abutting and bounding to the highway there in the said parish of St. John the Baptist, leading from Lidden to Margate towards the North West, to Nash Court towards the North East and to the lands of Robert Eason towards the South East and to lands of Robert Croffts and Mr. Thurbanes heir towards the South West and now in the tenure or occupation of the said John Gurney ... the other piece of land is called 'Humbers Mill Banck', containing in the whole by estimation 40 perches, abutting to the King's highway there towards the South East, to the lands of Robert Eason's heirs towards the North West, North East and South West and now or late in the tenure of Stephen Parnell...

Signed:           Mary Parnell

Attached to the document is a seal, in red wax, c 1cm dia., bearing the worn impression of an angel (?).

Dated:            19th April 1733

The witnesses are David Turner and James Fagg.

CO. KENT

1787

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 4th April 27 George III (1787) BETWEEN Nicholas Crofts of the parish of St. Peter the Apostle in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent, yeoman, son and heir and devisee in fee named in the last will and testament of Robert Crofts, late of the parish of St. Peter ... yeoman, deceased of the one part and Samuel Righton of the parish of St. John the Baptist in the said Isle of Thanet, yeoman of the other part ... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of the sum of 5/- ... he the said Nicholas Crofts HATH bargained and sold ... ALL those three pieces or parcels of arable land ... containing by estimation 14½ acres, with the appurtenances, situate, lying and being, together adjoining in the said parish of St. John the Baptist... heretofore in the tenure or occupation of John Philpot ... and now or late in the tenure or occupation of the said Samuel Righton... abutting and adjoining to the land of Robert Eason towards the South, to the King's highway and to land of Thomas Gurney and land of Thomas Brasier towards the West, to land of the said Thomas Brasier and land of the said Thomas Gurney towards the North and to land of the said Thomas Gurney and land of the said Robert Eason towards the East ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said Samuel Wrighton... for the term of one whole year ... YIELDING AND PAYING therefor ... at the end of the term one pepper corn, if lawfully demanded...

Signed:        Nicolas Crofts

Attached to the seal fold is a seal, in red wax, c 2cms x 1.25 cms, bearing no discernible impression.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are John Daniel and John Ffagg.

CO. KENT

1807

PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST : ISLE OF THANET

OBLIGATION

Obligation by Samuel Righton of the parish of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent yeoman.. to John Mockett of the parish of St. Peter the Apostle in the Isle of Thanet Esquire.. in the sum of £1000...

Dated: 29th December 48 George III (1807).

Signed: Samuel Righton.

Attached to the paper document is a seal, in red wax, c 1½ cms. dia., bearing no impression.

The witnesses are Edward Daniel junior and A Whittenden, his clerk.

The condition of the obligation is such that.. whereas by certain indenture of lease and relase.. the release of even date with these presents.. made between Nicholas Pegden of Margate in the parish of St. John the Baptist in the Isle of Thanet in the county of Kent Gentleman and Mary his wife of the first part, the above named John Mockett and Mary his wife ( late Mary Minter spinster ) of the second part, Edward Boys of Salmstone Grange in the parish of St. John the Baptist.. Esquire and Thomas Minter of the town and port of Sandwich Gentleman of the third part and the above named Samuel Righton of the fourth part, the said Edward Boys of the fifth part and Richard Frend of the city of Canterbury Gentleman and one of the aldermen of the said city of the sixth part ... to the considerations therein mentioned ... conveyed all those two pieces or parcels of arable land, containing by estimation 12 acres and 2 roods, lying and being in the parish of St. John the Baptist .. abutting.. to land of the said John Mockett and Edward Eason there towards the East, to other land of the said John Mockett and the high road leading from Lidden to Sandwich there towards the West, to land of the heirs of Stephen Foat there towards the North and to land of Edward Eason and to two cottages and the residue of Samuel Righton ( not hereby granted ) there towards the South and now in the tenure or occupation of the said John Mockett .. to the uses &c.. therein mentioned.. to the use of Mary Pegden and her assigns during the term of her natural life and .. after her decease to the use of the said Nicholas Pegden her husband .. in case he shall survive his wife.. for and during the term of his natural life.. ( and then as is in indenture expressed ).. IN EXCHANGE for certain closes.. of land thereinbefore mentioned.. release by the said Nicholas Pegden and Mary his wife and John Mockett to the use and in trust for the said Samuel Righton ...

AND WHEREAS at the time of executing the said recited indentures .. some doubt arose whether the said Samuel Righton did not previous or subsequent to the marriage between him and his present wife Margaret Righton, formerly Margaret Philpot spinster, execute a deed of settlement whereby the several pieces of land were .. settled upon issue of the said marriage .. so as to obviate any such doubts and to satisfy the said John Mockett .. NOW THE CONDITIONS of the above written obligation are such that if the said pieces .. of land .. do remain.. to the uses &c.. in and by the said recited indenture of release &c.. specified .. then this obligation to be void ....

## Marriage Settlement

Grant by William Crokenden of the parish of Tenterden, Gentleman, in consideration of a marriage to be solemnized between him and a certain Elizabeth Engeham, a daughter of Vincent Engeham, now of Wye, to Vincent Engeham, Thomas Engeham of Chart Magna, Gentleman and Henry Engeham of Davington, Gentleman, sons of the said Vincent and brothers of the said Elizabeth, and John Gouldings of Davington, Gentleman .. of all that messuage &c.. and fifteen pieces of land situated in Tenterden, above the denne of Asshenden and Henden.. containing by estimation fifty acres of land, together with land called 'le hoppgardine', containing by estimation one acre of land ... and of one tenement situated in Tenterden, now or late in the occupation of Indovici Goodchilde.. to have and to hold the same unto the said Vincent Engeham et al... to the use of the said William and Elizabeth and the heirs male of their body...

Dated 23rd October 1 Elizabeth (1559)

Signed: Vincent Engeham, Thomas Engeham, Henry Engeham and John Goulding.

The witnesses are named on the dorse and are Stephen Leeds, Raynold Coxhell and Richard Mounte.

16 lines in Latin, on parchment, c 33cms x 17cms, in a small neat secretary hand. 'Omnibus Xpi' in the first line in majuscules, as also several other words of the text. The date '1589' is set within the 'O' of 'Omnibus'.

Attached to the document are its four original seal tags. The second tag has a small fragment of a seal, in red wax. The seals for the others are lacking.

A little creased; a few very small light stains.

CO. KENT

1773

TENTERDEN

LEASE FOR A YEAR

Indenture dated 24th March 1773 13 George III '1773) BETWEEN John Neve of Tenterden in the county of Kent carpenter of the one part and Whitfield Breton of Tenterden Gentleman of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said John Neve... for and in consideration of 5/-... HATH bargained and sold... ALL that new erected messuage or tenement ( lately built on all that toft of land whereon a messuage or tenement in two dwellings lately stood ) with the yard, garden and backside thereunto belonging, situate lying and being in Tenterden.. at or near a certain place there called 'The Nutt Tree', late in the tenure or occupation of ----- Blackman widow and ----- Bowles widow or one of them and now in the tenure or occupation of Howard Handcock... bounding and abutting to the King's highway leading from Tenterden to High Halden towards the South East, to the messuage garden and lands lately sold by James Blackmore Eqsuire to Thomas Viny and others towards the South West, to other lands of the said John Blackmore in the occupation of John Mace surgeon towards the North West and to the way leading from the said high road to other lands of the said James Blackmore and to a stable and building there towards the North East... which said premises the said John Neve lately purchased to him and his heirs from the said James Blackmore... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... for the term of one whole year... YIELDING AND PAYING THEREFORE one pepper corn if lawfully demanded...

Signed: John Neve.

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2½ cms. x 1½ cms., bearing the impression of a crest: a unicorn.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are William Finch and Richard Hope.

CO. KENT

1795

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 9th October 35 George III (1795)  
BETWEEN Benjamin Munn of Rolvenden in the county of Kent,  
Gentleman and Jeremiah Curteis of the ancient town of  
Rye in the county of Sussex, Esquire ( a trustee for the  
said Benjamin Munn ) of the one part and John Morphett  
of Tenterden in the said county of Kent, Gentleman of  
the other part ... WITNESSETH .. that for and in consideration  
of 5/- ... the said Benjamin Munn .. HATH bargained and sold  
unto the said Jeremiah Curteis ... ALL that messuage or  
tenement and the outhouses, edifices, buildings, garden,  
yard, ground and appurtenances thereunto belonging ...  
situated in Tenterden ... late in the tenure or occupation  
of ----- Children, her assigns or undertenants and now  
or late in the tenure or occupation of John Timson ... abutting  
to a messuage and garden of John Neve, timber buyer, towards  
the South, to lands of James Blackmore Esquire towards the  
Northwest, to a messuage and land late of Samuel Hughes  
towards the Northeast and to the King's highway there lea-  
ding from Tenterden to Ashford towards the Southeast ...  
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... for the term of one whole year ..  
yielding and paying therefor one pepper corn ...

Signed: Benjamin Munn Jer. Curteis

Attached to the seal fold of the document are two seals,  
in red wax, c 2.5cms x 2cms, carrying the impression of a  
helmeted man's head, in profile, facing the left, within  
an oval frame.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are D.H. Waterman  
and John Waterman.

CO. KENT

1802

RELEASE

Indenture dated 1st December 43 George III (1802)  
BETWEEN Thomas Burrell of the parish of Woodnesborough  
in the county of Kent, yeoman, nephew and devisee in fee  
named in the last will and testament of William Burrell,  
late of the parish of Word als. Worth in the county of Kent  
yeoman, deceased of the one part and Charles Crickett of  
the town and borough of Deal in the county of Kent, car-  
penter of the other part WITNESSETH ... that for and in  
consideratuion of the sum of £210 ... the said Thomas Burrell  
HATH granted .... and confirmed unto the said Charles Crickett  
ALL that messuage or tenement with the barns, stables &c...  
AND ALSO all that piece or parcel of land called 'Soles  
Close', containing by estimation 2 acres, situate, lying  
and being together adjoining in the parish of Tilmanston  
in the county of Kent, formerly in the tenure or occupation  
of George Pittock, afterwards of William Lawrence, since  
of Nicholas Pilcher, since that of John March, late of Bar-  
tholemew Spain the younger and now untenanted ... TO HAVE  
AND TO HOLD unto the said Charles Crickett his heirs and  
assigns forever ...

Signed: Thomas Burrell

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in  
red wax, ovate, bearing the fine impression of a bearded  
man, in profile, facing the left, wearing s skull cap.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are William Lee  
att Sandwich, John S. Clarabut.

The corresponding Lease for one Year is also available.



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1804

QUITCLAIM - RELEASE OF DOWER

Deed by Ann Burvill of Woodnesborough in the county of Kent, widow and relict of Thomas Burvill, late of Woodnesborough aforesaid, yeoman, deceased ...  
WHEREAS the said Thomas Burvill by certain indentures of Lease and Release dated 30th November and 1st December 1808 did for a valuable consideration convey and assure the messuage or tenement, land, hereditaments and premises hereinafter mentioned unto and unto the use of Charles Cricket of the town and borough of Deal, carpenter his heirs and assigns forever ...and at the time of making such conveyance ... it was intended that the same be clear of dower ... of the said Ann Burvill ...  
NOW the said Ann ... doth grant, remise, release and for ever quit claim unto the said Charles Cricket his heirs and assigns forever ALL manner of dower right &c... in and out of ALL that messuage or tenement with the barns, stable &c.... AND also all that piece or parcel of land called 'Soles Close', containing by estimation 2 acres... situate, lying and being in the parish of Tilmanstone, formerly in the tenure or occupation of George Vittock, late of Bartholemew Spain the younger and now of -----(sic)...

Dated : 25th August 1804

Signed : Ann Burvill

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, very worn with no impression discernible.

The witness is named on the dorse. He is William Lee, Att. Sandwich.

## HASEDEN IN THE PARISH OF TONBRIDGE / BYDBOROUGH

## DEED TO LEAD TO THE USES OF A FINE AND RECOVERY

Indenture dated 10th April 33 Elizabeth (1591) BETWEEN John Budgen of Lygh next Tonbridge in the county of Kent yeoman, John Walker of Tonbridge yeoman, William Abraham of Chedyngstone in the county of Kent husbandman and Johane Rotes of Tonbridge widow on the first part and Robert Basyngherst of Westerham in the county of Kent yeoman and James Walder of Tudeley in the county of Kent husbandman of the other part ... WITNESSETH that whereas William Lee of Durhams in the parish of South Mimms in the county of Middlesex Esquire and Elizabeth his wife by their indenture dated 2nd January 19 Elizabeth did bargain and sell &c... unto Oliver Goldsmythe of Penshurst yeoman and his heirs forever.. 4 acres and 1 rood of meadow lying in a meadow called 'Neyfyelde' at Haseden in the parish of Tonbridge.. all which, together with one other acre and a half of meadow lying in Tonbridge by deed &c.. are come to the possession of the said John Budgen and his heirs and whereas also the said William Lee by his deed of feofment dated 16th June 22 Elizabeth did give, grant &c... to the said John Walter and his heirs one messuage and one garden with the appurtenances in Tunbridge.. AND WHEREAS also the said William Lee by his deed of feofment dated 5th ( or 1st ) July 21 Elizabeth did bargain and sell &c... unto Thomas Abraham deceased, father of the said William Abraham and to his heirs three pieces of land and 1 acre of meadow.. lying and being in Tunbridge and Bydborough in the said county of Kent and whereas also the interest and possession of 2 acres of the said three pieces of land is in Abraham Willard of Tunbridge yeoman and his heirs by lawful conveyance from the said Thomas Abraham and the residue of the said three pieces of land and acre of meadow is in the possession of William Abraham by virtue of the last will and testament of the said Thomas Abraham ... AND WHEREAS also the said William Lee by his deed of feofment dated 16th June 22 Elizabeth did bargain, sell &c... unto Thomas Rotes of Tunbridge yeoman deceased and his heirs six pieces of land with the appurtenances called 'Coxe Turne' in Tunbridge and the possession of which .. is now in the occupation of the said Johane Rotes by virtue of the last will and testament of Thomas Rotes.. it is therefore agreed, covenanted &c... between the said parties hereto ... for the assurance of the premises ... that a fine and recovery be levied &c... in the next term called Easter Term after the date hereof...

Signed: Robert Basyngherst.

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The witnesses, whose named are given on the dorse, are Olyver Budgen and George Smith.

CO. KENT

1597

FEOFMENT

TONBRIDGE

Feofment by Thomas Gouldsmithe of Tonbridge in the county of Kent yeoman, natural son of John Gouldsmithe of Tonbridge yeoman and Jane his now wife.. for and in full recompense and satisfaction of dower and jointure to her the said Jane.. DOITH give, grant and confirm to the said Jane his said mother one annuity of £6/13/4 .. out of all that messuage or tenement, one barn, one stable and diverse edifices thereunto belonging and one garden, one orchard and diverse lands meadows pastures, feedings, woods and underwoods to the said messuage belonging ..,called 'Bournemill Landes'.. situate lying and being in Tonbridge aforesaid and containing by estimation 43 acres, now in the occupation of John Gouldsmithe and lately conveyed to him the said Thomas Gouldsmithe by the said John Gouldsmithe his said father after the death of him the said John... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD.. the said annuity .. to her the said Jane Gouldsmithe and her heirs and assigns during all her natural life... to be yearly paid at the feasts of St. Michael the Archangel and the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary by equal portions at or in the messuage or mansion house aforesaid... and the first payment to be made on the feast day after the death of the said John Gouldsmithe, father of the said Thomas...

Signed: ----- (sic)

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Dated: 20th May 39 Elizabeth (1597).

Provision is made for the witnesses names to be given on the dorse, but they are lacking.

## MARRIAGE SETTLEMENT

Indenture dated 14th December 19 Charles II (1668) BETWEEN Jane White of Tonbridge, widow of the first part, Thomas Ffessenden of Lewes in the county of Sussex, apothecary ( brother of the said Jane White ) of the second part and John Barton of Tonbridge, yeoman of the third part WHEREAS there is a marriage purposed ... shortly ... to be solemnized ... between the said John Barton and the said Jane White ... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that the said Jane White with the consent ... of John Barton ... to the intent that the said Jane White shall ... at all times from and after the said marriage shall have ... absolute dower ... to dispose of all rents &c. of the piece of land herein after mentioned during the lives of the said Jane White and John Barton ... HATH demised, granted ... and to farm let ... unto the said Thomas Ffessenden one piece of land with the appurtenances, containing by estimation 2 acres of land now in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Oliver butcher and lying and being in Tonbridge aforesaid and bounding to the highway there leading between Tonbridge town and Quarry Hill towards the East, to the tenement and lane of the said Thomas Oliver towards the North and to the lands late of Nicholas Hatcher, Gentleman and now of ----- (sic) towards the South and West ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all the said piece of land unto the said Thomas Ffessenden his executors, administrators and assigns from the feast day of St. Michael the Archangel last past ... for the term of 40 years ... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore yearly one penny, only if it be lawfully demanded ... in trust ... and to the intent that the said Thomas Ffessenden ... shall during the lives of them the said Jane White and John Barton take all the rents &c. ... to and for the benefit of such person/s ... as the said John shall from time to time direct &c....

Signed:           Jane White                           John Barton

The seal tags are lacking.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are Edward Beecher and George Hooper.

## DEPOSITIONS

' I George Hooper of Tonbridge in the county of Kent aged about 61 years doe certifie and will (if required make oath) that on or about the 25th day of february 1676 at the request and by the direction of Thomas Lewkenor then of Leigh next Tonbridge in the county of Kent Gent since deceased he being then unmarried but sick and of perfect memory I did make his testament and last will in writing and did see him then seale publish and declare the same and after wards he prayed me to carry the same home with me and secure the same and if he dyed of that sicknes to deliver the same to his executor therein named John Lewkenor his brother And I further certifie and well depose that I carried the same home with me and kept the same in my custody above sixe moneths and then he comeing to my house demanded the same and said he would cancell the same for that he was since married and his wife likely to be with child

Witnes my hand 2d of May Anno Dm 1679

Geo: Hooper '

' I visited Mr. Thomas Leuknour in his last sicknes at his house in Leigh and asked him what became of his will which Mr. Hooper made And he answerd me cancelld.

Witnes my hand this 4th day of May 1679

Joseph Carte. '

## RELEASE

Indenture dated 9th November 32 Charles II (1680) between Richard Gabb of Tonbridge in the county of Kent, Petychapman and Amy his wife of the one part and Thomas Capell of Leigh next Tonbridge aforesaid, blacksmith of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said Richard Gabb for and in consideration of £35 ... HATH granted, bargained .... and released unto the said Thomas Capell his heirs and assigns one messuage or tenement called ... 'little kitchen als Brookes' and the shop and other edificies and the closes, yards, gardens, orchards and backsides with the appurtenances thereunto belonging ... containing by estimation one yard of ground ... now in the tenure or occupation of Richard Fuller blacksmith or his assigns... situate lying and being at or near Leigh Green next Leigh next Tonbridge ... and bounding and abutting to the said Green towards the South, to a way leading from the said Green to the churchyard of Leigh aforesaid towards the West, to a tenement and orchard of the said Richard Gabb, late by him purchased of Joseph Walton towards the North and to the orchard now or late of Jane Young widow towards the East ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said Thomas Capell his heirs and assigns forever ...

Signed:        Richard Gabb, his mark        Amy Gabb, her mark

Attached to the document by tags are two seals, in red wax, both fragmented but major portions remaining. A device was used but is not discernible.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Thomas Weller, George Hooper, Richard Crabb, Christopher Eldridge and John Wic(t)hing.

LEIGH NEXT TONBRIDGE

RELEASE

Indenture dated 9th November 32 Charles II (1680) BETWEEN Richard Gabb of Tonbridge in the county of Kent pettychapman and Amy his wife of the one part and Thomas Capell of Leigh next Tonbridge blacksmith of the other part... WITNESSETH that Richard Gabb for and in consideration of £35... HATH granted, bargained ... and relased unto the said Thomas Capell... one messuage or tenement called 'Little Kitchen' als 'Brookes' and the shop and other edifices and the closes, yards, gardens, orchards and backside with the appurtenances thereto adjoining and belonging, containing by estimation one yard of ground... now in the tenure or occupation of Richard Fuller blacksmith.. situate lying and being at or near Leigh Grene in Leigh next Tonbridge... abutting to the said green towards the South, to a way leading from the said green to the churchyard of Leigh towards the West, to a tenement and orchard of the said Richard Gabb, late by him purchased of Joseph Dalton towards the North and to the orchard now or late of Jane Young widow towards the East....

Signed: Richard Gabb.

Attached to the seal tag of the document is the major portion of a seal, in red wax, bearing the impression of a device which is not discernible.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Thomas Weller, Christopher Eldridge, George Hooper and John Wirting (?).

CO. KENT

1686

TONBRIDGE

LEASE

Indenture dated 10th November 2 James II (1686) BETWEEN The Right Honble Margaret Viscountess Purbeck of the first part, Sir Thomas Meres of the close of Lincoln Knight of the second part and Edward White of Speldhurst in the county of Kent of the third part... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of the rents and covenants hereinafter reserved... the said Viscountess and Sir Thomas Meres... HAVE demised and to farm letter... unto the said Edward White one piece of land or rough ground part of certain lands called 'Inhams', lying in Tonbridge in the county of Kent, containing by estimation 4½ acres, bounding to the new way leading from Southborough to Tunbridge Wells towards the North, to a lane leading from Rusthall to Woodsgate towards the West and South, to Calverlies Playne towards the South and East, late in the occupation of Richard Waghorne... AND also one other piece of land, part of Calverlies Playne, containing 2 acres 2 roods, bounding to the above demised piece towards the North and West and to the highway there leading from Southborough to Groombridge towards the East and to other part of Calverlies Playne demised or intended to be demised unto Mathew Calverlie towards the South... ALL which said piece of land &c... are now in the security of Sir Thomas Meres for a considerable sum of mney by way of mortgage.. EXCEPT... always reserved... all timber, woods &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said pieces of land... unto the said Edward White.. from the feast day of St. Michael the Archangel last past... for the term of 50 years... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore yearly £4... on the feast days of the annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Michael the Archangel... by equal portions...

Signed: Edward White.

Attached to the seal tag is a small fragment of a seal, in red wax, of what originally must have been quite a large seal.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are Thomas Weller and George Weller.



CO. KENT

1687

TONBRIDGE

LEASE

Indenture tripartite dated 5th October 3 James II (1687)  
BETWEEN The Right Honble. Margaret Viscountess Purbeck of the first  
part, Sir Thomas Meres of the Close of Lincoln Knight of the  
second part and Edmund Reeves of London barber of the third part...  
WITNESSETH that for and in the considerations of the rents and covenants  
hereinafter reserved and contained on the part and behalf of the  
said Edmund Reeves to be paid and performed and for diverse other  
good causes and considerations them the said Viscountess et al...  
moving, they... HAVE demised and to farm let... unto the said Edmund  
Reeves.. one small piece of ground, part of certain lands called  
'The Inhams' and bounding to a shop and a small piece therewith demised  
to the said Edmund Reeves towards the West and to Bysshops Downe  
towards the North and containing in length from the said Bysshops  
Downe Southward as far as to the said shop 18' and in breadth towards  
a stable there lately built by Mr. Weller ----- '.. viz within 6'  
of the said stable... ALSO 4 acres of land, part of calverlies playne  
bounding to either part thereof demised to John Skynner towards the  
East, to lands demised unto John Holmer and John Martine towards  
the North and to other part of the same playne towards the South,  
which said buildings and ground is now the security of the said Sir  
Thomas Meres for a considerable sum of money by way of a mortgage..  
EXCEPT and always reserved... leave and liberty to walk into the  
said demised premises at their will.. to view and see the same...  
and all timber &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said demised premises..  
from the feast of St. Michael the Archangel last past.. for the term  
of 49 years... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore yearly 40/- upon the  
feast days of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St.  
Michael the Archangel...

Signed: Edmund Reeves.

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, paper on red  
wax, c 4cms. x 3 cms., no impression being discernible.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Thomas Weller and  
George Weller.

CO. KENT

1618

BOND

Bond between Richard Chalcroft of Willisborrowgh in the county of Kent, gentleman and Thomas Chalcroft of Thetford, gentleman... in the sum of £60...

Dated : 1st July 16 James I (1618)

Signed : Richard Chalcroft

Witnesses : Aaron Evernden and Wm Plummer (?) jun.

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, bearing a worn impression of a device that cannot be discerned; circular,  $\frac{1}{2}$ " dia..

BOND

Bond by Richard Chalcrofte of Willisborough in the county of Kent, gentleman... to Thomas Chalcrofte of Thetford in the county of Norfolk, gentleman... in the sum of £70.

... to observe covenants contained in one pair of indentures of Bargain and Sale of even date with the within obligation...

Dated: 1st July 16 James I (1618)

Signed: Rich Chalcroft

The witnesses are Aaron Evernden and William Plinney(?) junior

On the tongue of the document is a seal, in dark red/brown wax, c 1.3 cms. dia., bearing a worn impression that is not distinct.

CO. KENT

1812

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 6th July 1812 BETWEEN John Cannon of the town and port of Deal, Gentleman of the one part and Samuel Mercer of Finglesham in the parish of Northbourne, yeoman of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said John Cannon for and in consideration of 5/-... HATH bargained and sold... unto the said Samuel Mercer.. all that piece or parcel of fresh marsh land containing by estimation 1 acre and 1 rood... lying and being in the parish of Word otherwise Worth in the said county of Kent on the South side of a certain wall there called 'Hacklinge Wall' late in the tenure or occupation of the said John Cannon and now or late of the said Samuel Mercer.. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... unto the full end and term of one whole year... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore the rent of one pepper corn... if the same shall be lawfully demanded...

Signed:        John Cannon

Attached to the seal fold on green ribbon is a seal, in red wax, bearing the impression of a cross-hatched matrix.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are John Mercer and B. Foster.

CO. KENT

1812

WORTH

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 6th July 1812 BETWEEN John Cannon of the town and burrough of Deal in the county of Kent Gentleman of the one part and Samuel Mercer of Finglesham in the parish of Northbourne in the county of Kent yeoman of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said John Cannon for and in consideration of 5/-.. HATH bargained and sold... ALL that piece or parcel of fresh marsh land, containing by estimation 1 acre 1 rood, lying and being in the parish of Word als. Worth in the county of Kent, on the South side of a certain wall there called 'Hacklinge Wall', late in the tenure or occupation of the said John Cannon, and now or late in the tenure of Samuel Mercer.. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD.. unto the said Samuel Mercer his heirs and assigns for the term of one whole year.. YIELDING AND PAYING therefore one pepper corn if lawfully demanded...

Signed: John Cannon.

Attached to the seal fold is a seal, in red wax, c 2½ cms dia., baring no impression.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are John Mercer and B. Foster.

CO. KENT

1546

OBLIGATION

Obligation by John Gason of Ikham in the county of Kent, Gentleman to Alice Marten in the sum of £200.

Dated: 10th November 38 Henry VIII (1546).

Signed: John Gason.

The witnesses are Christopher Courthorpe, John Chylton, John Grene and Philippe Hobbye.

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, being the major portion, bearing the poor impression of an armorial device.

The condition of the obligation is such that if John Gason should claim at any time any interest whatsoever in one messuage, set and being in the parish of Wye in the county aforesaid called 'Elyndems' or 'Combe' or any of these lands being in Wye aforesaid at a place called 'Wytheston', which now or late are in the tenure or occupation of John Berdley and which the within named Alice Marten late had and purchased of John Chylton by means of one estate annuity ... that then his obligation to stand in full force and effect... otherwise to be void...

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CO. KENT

1547/8

BOND

Bond by John Gason of Ikham in the County of Kent, Gentleman to Alice Marten in the sum of £200... in which he covenants that if the said John Gason should at any time claim any interest whatsoever in one messuage set and being in the parish of Wye in the county aforesaid or in lands called 'Cavlyd', 'Elyndems' or 'Combe' or any of these lands being in Wye aforesaid at a place called 'Wytherston, which now are in the tenure or occupation of John Budley and which the within named Alice Marten late had and purchased of John Chylton by means of one estate annuity... that then this obligation to stand in full force and effect... otherwise to be void...

Dated: 10th November 38 Henry VIII (1547/8)

Signed: John Gason

Attchaed to the document by its tongue is the major portion of a seal, in red wax, bearing the poor impression of a device ( armorial ? )

The neames of the witnesses are: Christopher Courthope, John Chylton, John Grene and Philippe Hobbye.

DM 814

CO. KENT

1574/5

BOND

Bond by Christopher Drelond of Wye in the County of Kent, Gentleman... to Richard Drelond of Wye aforesaid in the aforesaid county... in the sum of £300...

the condition of the bond relates to covenants contained in a deed poll of even date made between the above parties... of Christopher Drelond's fifth part of one capital messuage and all the buildings to the same belonging and all the lands &c... and of one messuage which William Honye now inhabits, set and being in the parish of Wye...

Dated: 10th May 16 Elizabeth (1574/5)

Signed: Christopher Drelonde

The seal tongue is attached to the document, but the seal is lacking.

The names of the witnesses are: Robert Allard, Henry Moone, John Cockson and George Hawke.

DM 831