

**82 DEEDS RELATING TO THE COUNTY OF KENT**

arranged alphabetically by parish or place

APPULDORE	1519.
ASHFORD	1704, 1704, 1875.
BETHERSDEN	1517, 1528, 1528, 1538.
BREDGAR	1445, 1493, 1495, 1496, 1501, 1501, 1501, 1502, 1503, 1506, 1507, 1507, 1508, 1621.
BRIDGE	1887.
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PLUCKLEY	1509, 1511, 1513, 1513, 1514, 1514, 1515, 1517, 1517, 1525, 1527, 1527, 1534, 1538, 1538, 1542, temp Henry VIII, 1546, 1546, 1561, 1568, 1587, 1587, 1587, 1601.
RUCKING	1527, 1626, 1627.
ROMNEY MARSH	1820.
ST LAWRENCE, ISLE OF THANET	1482, 1807, 1834.
SHEERNESS	1919.
SHOREHAM	1689, 1694, 1694.
UPPER HARDRES	1774.
WAREHORNE AND HAWKHURST	1662, 1662, 1679, 1685, 1689, 1689, 1690, 1692, 1702, 1732, 1734, 1734, 1734, 1734, 1739, 1827, 1859.
WHITFIELD	1701.
WILLESBOROUGH	1468.

CO. KENT

1519

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Laurens of Apuldore in the county of Kent to Yngurham Ossanne of Apuldore and Thomas Dyns of Halden of all lands and tenements of his with their appurtenances... situate and being in the parish of Apuldore aforesaid or elsewhere in the county of Kent... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said Yngurham Ossanne and Thomas Dyns their heirs and assigns forever...

Dated Apuldore the last day of May 11 Henry VIII (1519)

Attached to the tag of the document is a seal, c2cms x 2cms, in red wax, bearing the impression of a device within a round bordure of c 1.2 cms dia..



RELEASE

Indenture dated 31st July 3 Anne (1704) BETWEEN John Edwards of Ashford in the county of Kent, saddler of the one part and John Wightwick of Ashford aforesaid, grazier of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said John Edwards for and in consideration of the sum of £46 ... HATH granted, bargained, sold &c... unto the said John Wightwick his heires and assigns ... ALL that one messuage or tenement, now divided into three several dwellings with the close and garden thereunto belonging with their and every their appurtenances situate lying and being in Ashford aforesaid in a certain street or lane there called 'North Lane' and now or late in the tenure or occupation of William Taylor, Mary Taylor widow and Sarah Bigg ... bounding and abutting to the said street ... called 'North Lane' towards the East, to a messuage or tenement and backside of Thomas James clerk towards the South, to lands of the Right Hon. Phillip Viscount Strangford towards the West, to a messuage or tenement and backside of Arthur Apsly towards the North ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... unto the said John Wightwick his heirs and assigns forever ...

Signed: John Edwards

Attached to the seal fold is a seal, in red wax, c 1.25 cms dia., bearing a fine impression of a fleur de lis.

The names of the witnesses are given on the dorse. They are John Carden and Thomas Young.

The corresponding Lease for one year is also available.

INDENTURE OF RELEASE

THIS INDENTURE dated 31st July 3 Anne (1704) BETWEEN John Edwards of Ashford in the county of Kent, sadler of the one part and John Wightwick of Ashford aforesaid, grazier of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said John Edwards for and in consideration of the sum of £46... hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, remised, released, ratified, confirmed and forever quitclaimed... unto the said John Wightwick his heirs and assigns... ALL that one messuage or tenement, now divided into three several dwellings with the close and garden thereunto belonging with their and every of their appurtenances situate, lying and being in Ashford aforesaid, in a certain street or lane there called North Lane and now or late in the tenure or occupation of William Taylor, Mary Taylor, widow and Sarah Bigg... bounding and abutting to the said street... called North Lane towards the East, to a messuage ortenement and backside of Thomas James clerk towards the South, to lands of the Right Hon. Phillip Viscount Strangford towards the West, to a messuage or tenement and backside of Arthur Apsly towards the North... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c.... unto the said John Wightwick his heirs and assigns forever...

Signed:                   . John Edwards

Sealed:                   Seal on fold, red wax, c. ½" dia., bearing a fine impression of a fleur de lis.

The neames of the witnesses are given on the dorse. They are:

John Carden                   Thomas Young

The corresponding 'Lease for one Year' in also available.

CONVEYANCE

THIS INDENTURE made 2nd November 1875... BETWEEN Mary Wenn Coleman of Hythe in the County of Kent, spinster and William Severn Smith of Hythe aforesaid Solicitor of the one part and John Jacob of Northbourne near Deal in the said county, farmer of the other part... WHEREAS Mary Ann Cocks late of Hythe in the said county, widow deceased duly made and executed her will dated 5th June 1871 and after appointing Alfred Davidson Tritton and the said Wm. S. Smith her executors and trustees of that her will gave, devised and bequeathed all her real estate and the residue of her personal estate whatsoever and wheresoever unto the said A.D. Tritton and Wm.S.Smith their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns in trust at their discretion to get in, sell, convert into money... AND WHEREAS she the said My W.Coleman made... a codicil to her said will dated 26th March 1873.. whereby she revoked her said will in so far as the said A.D. Tritton was the object thereof and substituted the said My W. Coleman aforesaid in his place... AND WHEREAS the said testatrix died on 8th March 1875... and the said will and codicil were proved ...in the District Reg. at Canterbury of the court of probate on 9th April 1875... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that in consideration of £100 paid by the said John Jacob ... they the said Mary Wenn Coleman and William Severn Smith do hereby grant and convey unto the said John Jacob and his heirs ALL that piece or parcel of arable land commonly called 'Squeers', containing by estimation 2 acres and formerly said to contain 2 acres and 36 perches... situated in Eachendhill in the parish of Lyming in the said county of Kent, formerly in the occupation of William Kingsford, then of James Hord and now of William Dennard,... which said piece of land... was formerly the property of the said Wm Kingsford, after that of the said James Hord and was conveyed by him to John Cocks by an indenture dated 22nd January 1835... TO HOLD the said premisses... unto the use of John Jacob his heirs and assigns forever...

Signed: Mary Wenn Coleman

William Severn Smith

Witnesses ( given on dorse ):

W.S. Smith jun., clerk to Mr.  
W.S. Smith, solicitor of Hythe  
Mary W. Coleman

CO. KENT

1517

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Galfrid Bacher, one of the sons and heirs of John Bacher of Pluckle ... to William Bysshop of Betrysdn.. of and in 2 pieces of land called 'Halfscede (?)' and 'Toacrotencroft', containing in the whole by estimation 6 acres of land lying situated and being in the parish of Betrysdn aforesaid above the denne of Hylgerden, to the lands of the Abbot and Convent of Battle towards the North, to the King's highway towards the East and to lands of Nicholas Baker towards the South and West...

Dated: 13th March 8 Henry VII (1517)

Signed: Jefferay Bocher

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2.5cms x 2.5cms., bearing the deep, clear yet indistinct impression of an armorial device, set within a circle, c .75cms dia..

The names of the witnesses are Galfrid Spyce, John Burwasshe and John Keuggi (?).

CO. KENT

1528

BETHERSDEN

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Bresynden senior, Gervase Glover, John Glover senior and William Turnore of Betrysdn in the county of Kent.. on the instruction of John Dylle.. to Thomas Dalby clerk, Stephen Wetherynden... of one piece of land with the appurtnances called 'Wallenmede', containing by estimation 2 acres of land, lying and being in the parish of Betrysdn.. on the denne of Rynsole.. to the lands of Henry Husy Gentleman towards the East, to the lands of the Chantry of Bedtrysdn towards the South and West and to the King's highway there towards the North... which piece of land.. amongst others... the said Thomas Bresynden et al.. late had... by the gift and feofment of the said John Dylle... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said piece of land... UNTO THE SAID John Dylle et al... theirn heirs and assigns.. to the use of the said Thomas Dylle his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: At Betrysdn 25th December 20 Henry VIII (1528).

Attached to the document are four seals, on their seal tags, in red wax.

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Bresynden senior, Germain Glover, John Glover senior and William Turnore of Betrysden - at the request of John Tylle - ... to Thomas Dalby clerk, Stephen Whetherynden senior, Nicholas Glover and Stephen Whetherynden, the son of George Wethrynden of Betrysden ... of one piece of land with its appurtenances called 'Wellemede', containing by estimation 2 acres of land ... lying and being in the parish of Betrysden ... upon the denne of 'Rynsole'... to the lands of Henry Husy senior towards the East, to lands of the chantry of Betrysden towards the South and West and to the King's highway there towards the North, which piece of land, amongst other lands and tenements, the said Thomas Bresynden et al. late had together to them and their heirs by the feofment of the said John Tylle ... to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: 25th December 20 Henry VIII (1528)

Signed: Thomas Bresynden      Germain Glover      John Glover  
    William Turnore

Attached to the document are four seal tags, all bearing seals or the major portions of seals.



## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Dresynden senior, Germain Glover, John Glover senior and William Turnore of Betrysden in the county of Kent... to Thomas Dalby clerk, Stephen Wetherynden senior, Nicholas Glover and Stephen Wetherynden the son of George Wetherynden of Betrysden... of one piece of land with all its appurtenances called 'Wellemede', containing by estimation 2 acres of land, situated in the parish of Betrysden aforesaid, above the denne of Rynfole, abutting lands of Henry Husy Gentleman towards the East, lands of the chantry of Betrysden towards the South and West and the King's highway there towards the North... which certain piece of land among other lands and tenements was lately conveyed by the gift and feofment of John Dylle... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Thomas Dalby clerk et al... of the chief lord of that fee.. forever...

Dated at Betrysden 25th December 30 Henry VIII (1538)

Attached to the seal tags of the document are the following seals, all in red wax.

1. C. 1.8cms x 1.3cms, bearing the deep impression of the letter 'W', set within a circular bordure, within a larger similar bordure.
2. Large fragment, bearing the impression of an eight-pointed star.
3. C 2.5cms x 1.2cms., bearing the impression of lattice-work.
4. A major fragment, no impression being discernible.

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1501 or 1511

FEOFMENT:

Feofment by Richard Wood of Bredgar ... to Richard Heneker of the same place... of 2 acres and 1 virgate of land... situated in the parish of Bredgar in a field called 'Deenys fylde'... between the lands of the said Richard Heneker towards the East, South and North and the land of Elie Heneker towards the West... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... forever...

Dated: 10th September 27 Henry VII (1511) or should it be 17 Henry VII (1501)

The witnesses are: Thomas Grenehell, William Banton and Simon Whetlande and others...

Attached to the original tag is a seal, red, c 2cms x 2 cms, a ribbon set in a square.

CO. KENT

1445

POWER OF ATTORNEY TO DELIVER SEISIN:

Power of attorney from John Lynde, Simon Morle, Robert German, William Scot and William Ffrys ... to John Champeneye of the parish of Chyllham their attorney... to deliver to William Whyte of the same parish seisin to 1 messuage, 1 garden and 1 croft of land, 4 acres with the appurtenances in the said parish and in the borough of the market... as in a certain charter made by the said William Whyte may more plainly appear...

Dated: 24th November 24 Henry VI (1445)

Attached to the document by their tags are 5 seals. The first, c 2cms x 1.25 cms, bears the impression of a device incorporating a cross. The second, c 1.25cms dia., bears the worn impression of a device that is indistinct. The third (which should be interchanged with the second - editor) c 1.8cms x 1.25cms, bears the impression of a device incorporating the letters S & M. The fourth, c 1.25cms dia. bears the impression of the letter 'W'. The fifth is identical to the fourth. All 5 seals are in red wax.

CO. KENT

1507/8

QUITCLAIM

Q'claim by Helen Drowly of the parish of Bredgar, widow, late the wife of Thomas Drowly deceased, John Drowly and James Drowly, sons of the said Thomas Drowly, deceased... quitclaim... to Richard Henekyr of the parish of Bredgar... to 1 acre of land... situated in the parish of Bredgar in a field called 'Denysfylde'... towards the lands of the said Richard Henekyr towards the East and South, towards lands of John Norton towards the West and towards land of the said John Drowle and towards land of Elizabeth Henekyr towards the North...

Dated: At Bredgar 26th November 23 Henry VII (1507/8)

The witnesses are: Thomas Grenhyll, John Smyth, James Raulyn and many others.

Attached to the document are three seal tags. Attached to the first is no seal, but the second carried a seal, in red wax, bearing a good impression of a five pointed star or flower, c 2>5cms x 1>5cms.. The third, c 3cms. x 3>25cms, bears the impression of a five pointed star or flower within a bordure of pellets. Cracked through the centre.

CO. KENT

1493/4

QUITCLAIM:

Quitclaim by John Perkare of Wychelyng in the Co. of Kent and Alice his wife to Robert Henaker of BredgARE... to 3 acres of land in the parish of Bredgare in acertain croft inclosed called 'le hooke'... viz towards the land of Stephen Tonge towards the North and East and lands of Richard at Woode towards the South and West...

Dated 2nd October 9 Henry VII (1493/4)

The witnesses are: Richard Olfede, Richard at Woode, Robert Drwery, John Bryngborn and Richard Roger and others...

Attached to the document by their original tags are two seal on one tag. Both in red wax, the first, c 2cms dia., bears the impression of a fleur de lis. The lower of the two has half the seal lacking, but the initial 'R' remains.

## FEOFMENT:

Feofment by Elizens Coole, Robert Henneker and John Champion to Thomas Henneker senior... of all that tenement called 'Castelle' and 8 acres of land arable lying and being in the parish of Bradgar in the 100 of Milton in the county of Kent, with all and singular the appurtenances, which tenement &c... they late had by the gift and feofment of William Champion ... to have and to hold... unto the said Thomas Henneker senior his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: At Bradgar 28th September 11 Henry 7 (1495)

The witnesses are John Elbryght, Richard Roger, Henry Dene and others.

Attached to the document are three seal tags. The first, in red wax, c 2.5cms x 2cms, bears the impression of a lion/leopard couchant. The second and third are identical, other than that they have slightly smaller dimensions.

CO. KENT

1496/7

Quitclaim by Goddelam Champ, widow of William Champ and Elizer, John and Robert, sons of the said William Champ... to Thomas Henneker senior... to all that tenement called 'Castell' and twelve acres of land arrable in the parish of Bradgar in the hundred of Milton...

Dated : Last day of September 11 Henry VII

Attached to the document are four seal tags. The first three bear fragments of seals, in red wax, the devices not being discernible. The fourth is complete, in red wax, c. 1.3 cms. dia., bearing the letter 'W' within a circle.

KENT

1501/2

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by William Kynge of Bredgar in the county of Kent to Agnes Henaker widow of Thomas Henaker, late of Bredgar aforesaid, deceased and Thomas Henaker, son of the said Thomas and Agnes... of all his claim &c... of and in one piece of land with its appurtenances called 'popetown', containing by estimation  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of land more or less, lying and being in the parish of Bredgar aforesaid in a place called 'Swanton', to wit, to the land of Thomas Iden Esq. to the East and land late of the said Thomas Henaker to the South and West and to a certain lane there leading from the King's highway towards 'Warenysfeld' to the North...

Dated : 4th October 17 Henry VII (1501/2)

The witnesses are Richard at Wood, Robert Henaker, Elizer Cole, James Brokhole, John Drury and many others.

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, cracked vertically, bearing an impression that is indistinct.

CO. KENT

1501/2

FEOFMENT:

Feofment by Robert Henaker and Elizens Cole of Bradgar to Agnes Henaker, widow of Thomas Henaker, late of Gradgar and Thomas Henak er, the son of the said Thomas ... of 1 piece of land with the appurtenances..> called 'popetown'... containing ½ acre of land... situated in the parish of Bradgar in a place called 'Swanton'... viz towards land of Thomas Iden Esquire towards the East, land late of the said Thomas Henaker towards the South and West and towards a certain lane there leading towards the King's highway as far as 'warenysfeld' towards the North... which said piece of land is to the use of the said Agnes and Thomas her son and heir and assigns forever...

Dated: At Bredgar 30th September 17 Henry VII (1501/2)

The witnessés are: Richard at Woode, James Brokhole and John Drurys and many others.

Attached to the original seal tags are two seal. The first, in red wax, c. 1.3 cms dia., bears the impression of a heart within a circle, the upper rim is lacking.

The second, in red wax, within a circular bordure, bears the impression of a bust, holding a flower (?) in the left hand.

CO. KENT

1621

BOND:

Bond by Christopher Tilghman of Selling Gentleman... to Thomas Carter of Norton yeoman... in the sum of £2500...

Dated: 5th March 18 James I (1621)

Signed: Christopher Tylghman

The witnesses are: Lancelot Lovelace, Richard Rucke, William Tylghman and William Pepper.

Attached to the tongue of the document is the fragment of a seal, in red wax.

Quitclaim by William Kynge of Bredgar to Agnes Henaker widow of Thomas Henaker, late of Bredgar, deceased and Thomas Henaker son of the said Thomas and Agnes ... to one piece of land with the appurtenances called 'Popetown', half an acre of land situated in the parish of Bredgar in a place called 'Swanton'... viz to land of Thomas Iden Esq. towards the East, land late of the said Thomas Henaker towards the South and West and to a certain lane there leading towards the King's highway as far as 'Warenysfeld' towards the North...

Dated : 4th October 17 Henry VII (1502/3)

Witnesses : Richard at Wood, Robert Henaker, Eliza Cole, James Brokhole, John Drury and others.

Attached to the parchment tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, cracked, c 1.3 cms. dia., bearing the unclear impression of a device.



CO. KENT

1503/4

Quitclaim by Robert Herberd and Thomas Herberd, sons and heirs of John Herberd of the parish of Stokbury, now deceased, to Robert Drury of the parish of Bradgare... to one garden with the appurtenances, situated in the parish of Bradgare in a place called 'Swanton Strete'... to the lands of the heirs of Thomas Henekyr towards the East and North, to the King's highway towards the West and to land of the heirs of Thomas Drury towards the South...

Dated : 29th August 18 Henry VII

Attached to the document are two seal tags. Only the second bears the fragment of a seal, in dark red wax.

CO. KENT

1506

FEOFMENT:

Feofment by Richard Wood of Bredgar... to Richard Heneker of the same place... of 2 acres and 1 virgate of land... lying and being in the parish of Bredgar aforesaid in a field there called 'Deenys fylde'... between the lands of the said Richard Heneler towards the East, South and North and land of Elie Heneker towards the West... to have and to hold... unto the said Richard Heneker his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: At Bredgar aforesaid 10th September 22 Henry VII (1506)

The witnesses are: Thomas Grenehell, William Bonton, Simon Whetland and others.

Attached to the document by its original tag is a seal, in red wax, bearing the impression of a bow, set within a square ( a bow, as a tied bow).

CO. KENT

1507

QUITCLAIM:

Quitclaim by Helen Drowly of the parish of Bredgar, widow, late the wife of Thomas Drowly, deceased, John Drowly and James Drowly, sons of the said Thomas Drowly, deceased... to Richard Henekyr of the parish of Bredgar... to 1 acre of land... lying and being in the parish of Bredgar aforesaid in a field called 'Denysffylde'... towards the lands of the said Richard Henekyr towards the East and South, towards lands of John Norton towards the West and to lands of the said John Drowly and to lands of Elis Henekyr towards the North...

Dated: At Bredgar 26th November 23 Henry VII (1507)

The witnesses are: Thomas Grenhyll, John Smyth, James Raulyn and others.

Attached to the document are 3 seal tags. The seal is lacking on the first. The second has a seal, in red wax, c 2cms x 1.25cms, bearing the impression of a five pointed star (?) set in a circle. The third, also in red wax, c 2.5cms x 2cms, bears the impression of a circle set within a circle. The first or inner circle has 6 segments, the outer 13.

KENT

1508/9

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Helen Drowly of the parish of Bredgar, Co. Kent, widow, late the wife of Thomas Drowly, deceased, John Drowly and James Drowly, sons of the said Thomas Drowly, deceased to Richard Henekyr of the parish of Bredgar... of one acre of land... lying and being in the parish of Bredgar aforesaid in a field called 'Denysffylde'... towards the lands of the said Richard Henekyr towards the East and South, towards the lands of John Norton towards the West, to the lands of John Drowly and to the lands of Elis Henekyr towards the North...

Dated at Bredgar the 26th November 23 Henry VII

The witnesses are Thomas Grenhyll, John Smith, James Raulyn and others.

Attached to the documents are three seal tags. The first is lacking a seal. The second has a seal, in red wax, c. 2cms x 1.5cms, bearing the impression of a device, a wheel or possibly a star. The third, in red wax, bears the impression of a device ( a 6 spoked wheel within a 12 spoked wheel ?); c. 2.5cms x 2cms..

CO. KENT

1887

PARISH OF BRIDGE

CONVEYANCE

Indenture dated 30th November 1887 BETWEEN Thomas White Collard of the parish of Bridge in the county of Kent Gentleman of the one part and John Henry Reginald Kirby of Patricbourne in the said county clerk in holy orders of the other part... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of £425 the said Thomas White Collard as beneficial owner hereby conveys unto the said John H.R. Kirby ALL that piece of land situate in the parish of Bridge in the county of Kent and on the South side of and adjoining a road there called 'Filmer Road', the boundary whereof from the North East corner which is distant from Dering Street about 88' 6" runs West next Filmer Road about 36' 9" and then South next land belonging to the said Thomas White Collard about 91' and then East next land now or lately belonging to Zebulon Vinson and George Fryer respectively about 37' 2" and then North next land lately belonging to John Verrier and now to the said Thomas White Collard and back to the starting point about 95'... AND ALSO ALL THAT messuage or tenement with the outbuildings thereto lately erected on some part thereof by James Austen and now in the occupation of Thomas White Collard his assigns and undertenants.. TOGETHER with the moiety of the party wall bounding the premises on the West side thereof and the whole of the fence on the East side thereof TO HOLD the same unto and to the use of the said John Henry Reginald Kirby in fee simple ( subject to a deed poll dated 21st March 1853 whereby Thomas Morland and Conrad Wilkinson and other persons entered into certain mutual covenants affecting the land hereby conveyed... and also other lands... )

Signed:        Thomas White Collard

Attached to the document is a seal, in red wax, c 3cms. x 2¼ cms., bearing the impression of initials, which are not discernible.

The witness is John Thomas Langdale, clerk in holy orders, Bridge, Kent.

KENT

1539/40

BOND

Know all by these presents that I Thomas Vaughan bailiff of the town and port of Dover am bound... to Richard Deryng Gentleman, deputy to Sir Thomas Cheyne Knight, Constable of the Castle of Dover... Warden of the Cinque Ports and Admiral of the same... in the sum of 100 marks... to be paid to the said Richard on the feast day of St. Andrew the Apostle next...

Dated 21st November 30 Henry VIII and signed.

The condition of the obligation is such that the above bounden Thomas hath commenced action of trespass upon and against a ship of the river of Pannie in Britain now being in the haven of Sandwich and there at the suite of the said Thomas is arrested and restrained by the Lord Admirals authority of the Cinque Ports... if the said Thomas Vaughan... save and keep harmless the said Richard Deryng and the said office of the Admiralty... of all losses and dangers that may ensue... then this present obligation to be of none efect...

CO. KENT

1712

DOVER

RELEASE

Indenture dated 6th December 1712 BETWEEN John White of the town and port of Dover in the county of Kent malster and Edward Warry of the same place fellmonger..... ( as before )  
NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that in consideration of £200...  
( and the remainder of the sum of £200 is due upon a mortgage in fee simple made by the said parties by way of an indenture of lease and release dated 19th and 20th May 1710 )...  
the said John White HATH granted, bargained, sold &c... the reversion in fee expectant after the death of Mary H                      ALL the said messuage &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Edward Warry his heirs and assigns.. forever...

Signed:            John White                      Sarah White

Attached to the seal fold of the document are two seals, in red wax, c 1½ cms dia., the first bearing the impression of a swan statant, the second that of an anchor.

The witnesses are given on the dorse. They are Mary Broome and Mark Wills, his mark.

CO. KENT

1758

LYDD

AWARD

To all christian people &c... John Rolfe of the town and port of New Romney in the county of Kent sends greetings... whereas diverse disputes &c... have arisen between William Crittenden of the town of Lydd in the county of Kent yeoman and John Rand of the same place cordwainer... for the ending whereof they have bound themselves in the penal sum of £50 by several bonds.. dated 6th April... NOW KNOW YE that the said John Rolfe ... doth award, order and decree that the said John Rand shall permit and suffer the said William Crittenden ... at all times peaceably hereafter ... to enter into a certain way leading from the high street in Lydd unto a garden and two closes of land belonging and adjoining to the messuage or tenement and stable now in the occupation of the said William Crittenden, situate in Lydd and to go and drive, lead, carry and recarry &c... at all times... to and from the high street to and from the said garden and closes and through a certain piece.. of land lying between the messuage aforesaid and the messuage.. of the said John Rand, late the Reverend Mr. Thomas Cobb and before that of Thomas Coates, situate in Lydd, according to the true intent and meaning of certain indentures of lease and release dated 22nd and 23rd March 1719 and made between John Skinner of the said town of Lydd Gentleman of the first part and Thomas Clarke the younger of the same place butcher of the other part.. and the said John Rolfe doth hereby further award... that the said William Crittenden and John Rand shall .. within the space of 21 days.. execute unto each other ... general releases of all actions &c &c...

Dated: 29th April 1758

Signed: John Rolfe

Attached to the paper document is a seal, in red wax, bearing the fine impression of a helmeted profile, facing the left.

The witnesses are Elizabeth Inkpen and William Dunn.

LEASE

1509

Lease by Robert Coke of Cranebroke in the county of Kent, Lord of the Manor of Pluckele in the county of Kent aforesaid... to Thomas Huntt of the parish of Pluckele aforesaid... two pieces of land and garden with all and singular their appurtenances, containing in total by estimation 11 acres of land ... of which two pieces of land one is called 'le Parke', lying together in the parish of Pluckele... to the King's highway there towards the East, to lands of John Bettynham towards the West, to lands of the heirs of Nicholas Bocher towards the South and to lands of the said Thomas Huntt towards the North and the said garden called 'le court garden', lying and being in Pluckele aforesaid to the cemetery and lands of the Lord there called 'le forstall' towards the South and to lands of the Lord there towards the West, North and East... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said two pieces of land and garden ... to the said Thomas Huntt and his heirs and assigns from the feast of St. David 24 Henry VII to the end of the term of 29 years... rendering therefor annually to Robert Coke his heirs and assigns 13/4 sterling at two terms annually, to wit, at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel and at the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by equal portions.

Dated at Pluckele 1st March 24 Henry VII (1509).

The witnesses are John Deryng senior, Nicholas Deryng, Thomas Herтт, John Pixe and Galfrid Spice and many others.

LEASE

1517

Lease by Robert Coke of the parish of Pluckley in the county of Kent.. to Thomas Huntt of Pluckley aforesaid... of two pieces of land with their appurtenances called 'le Parke', containing in the whole by estimation 10 acres of land... to the lands of John Bettynham Gentleman towards the West, to the lands of the heirs of Nicholas Bocher towards the South and to lands of the said Thomas Huntt towards the North... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said two pieces of land with their appurtenances to the said Thomas Huntt his executors and his assigns from the day of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary last past up until 99 years.. paying to the said Robert Coke his heirs, executors and assigns annually during the said term 12/- at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel and the feast of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary in equal portions at the parish church of Pluckley.. above the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary...

Dated 20th April 8 Henry VIII ( 1517 ).



CO. KENT

1511

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Agnes Burwasche of the parish of Egerton, the daughter of John Burwasche senior of Egerton aforesaid to John Pyers, the son of Nicholas Pyers of the same place of all her lands and tenements with all their appurtenances lying and being in the parishes of Pluckley, Smerden and Parva Charte... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... unto the said John Pyers his heirs and assigns forever... of the chief lords of that fee...

Dated at Pluckley 13th November 3 Henry VIII (1511)

Attached to the seal tag is the fragment of a seal, in red wax, no impression being discernible.

The witnesses are John Baker, Thomas Elys and Richard Munde.

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Hart of Pluckle in the county of Kent to John Bettenham Gentleman, Henry Edyall, John Edyall his son, Geoffrey Kyngsnoth and Henry Gylis of Pluckle and Nicholas Cople of Hothfeld ... of all his lands in the parishes of Pluckle and Hothfeld or elsewhere in the county of Kent... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said John Bettenham et al... their heirs and assigns forever... to the use however of the said Thomas Hart and his heirs...

Dated at Plukle 13th May 5 Henry VIII (1513)

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, being the major portion, c. 2.6cms x 1.2cms, bearing the impression of two initials '? . I.',

The witnesses are Ed Whatlowe, Stephen Mode and Richard Munde and others.

CO. KENT

1513

OBLIGATION

Obligation by Robert Tukke of Pluckle in the county of Kent, Gentleman to Thomas Herte... in the sum of £10... to be paid in the feast of the Nativity of our Lord next...

Dated 12th December 5 Henry VIII (1513)

The condition of the obligation is such that if the said Robert Tukke his heirs or assigns raise any claim &c... to the use of the said Thomas... of and in three pieces of land with their appurtenances called 'Staces', 'Lambyns' and 'Fforagatefyld', lying in Pluckele... which were late in the occupation of Thomas Best... as per an arbitration and judgement made by Sir James Darrell Knight and Nicholas Dering Gentleman... between the said parties above mentioned... then this obligation to remain in force...

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 1.5cms x 1.5cms, slightly ovate, bearing the impression of the letter 'R', surmounted by a crown or coronet.

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Nicholas Deryng Gentleman, John Spyce, Thomas Harte, John Pyx and John Bakar of Plucklye to Stephen Dulle of Plucklye aforesaid of one piece of land with its appurtenances called 'yaldekedisane' or 'yaldsondale' together with one pit to the same piece of land belonging and adjoining called 'Boroughpette', containing by estimation 7 acres of land... situate lying and being in the parish of Plucklye... abutting to lands of the said Nicholas Deryng, which late were of Thomas Gybon while he lived in Plucklye.. towards the West, to the King's highway towards the North, to lands of the said Nicholas Deryng and lands of the said Stephen Gylys towards the South... which said piece of land &c... the said Nicholas et al... as well as John Tylman, Thomas Tylman and John Burwashe, now deceased, had late by gift and charter of sale from William Heede ... and which the said William Heede together with Richard Smythe clerk, William Tylman and William Frende deceased formerly had as of gift and feofment of the said Thomas Gybon... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Stephen Dulle... forever... of the chief Lords of the fee...

Dated at Pluckley 8th January 6 Henry VIII (1514)

Attached to the document are five seal tags. The last three carry fragments of seals, in red wax, no impressions being discernible.

The witnesses are Peter Glover, Henry Gyles, Henry Coknoke, Richard Kyngsnothe and Henry Kyngesnothe and others.

## AWARD

Indenture dated 10th January 5 Henry VIII (1514)... WITNESSETH that where warranties were had and depending betwixt Robert Tukker of Pluckle in the county of Kent Gentleman of the one part and Thomas Herte of the said place, yeoman of the other part... for the title, occupation, interest and demand of two pieces of land with their appurtenances, lying and being in Pluckle aforesaid, whereof one piece contains by estimation one acre and a half of land... lying to the lands some time Raynold and Richard Norton called 'foragatefeld' against the West, to the King's strete against the East, unto the lands late Denysse Best and Thomas Best against the South and North... and the other piece of land contains by estimation one acre and a half.. called 'Lambyns' lying unto the lands of the said Robert called 'Culvertons' against the East, unto the King's strete against the South, unto the lands of the said Thomas called 'Stacen' against the West and unto the lands of John Bettynham Gentleman against the North... whereupon the said parties the 12th day of December last past by several obligations with condition put themselves in arbitrement, ordynence and judgement of us James Darell Knight and Nicholas Deryng Gentleman for the said variances and for all other matters and causes betwixt them hanging and depending from the beginning of the world unto the said 12th day of December last past, wherefor we the said arbitrators calling the said plts. before us hearing their informations... by good deliberation and advisement as well as our assent and agreement as by the agreement and full assent of both the said parties before the 6th day of the month of January made our award &c... in manner following .. ( first we awarded &c... that the said Thomas his executors and assigns shall have and peaceably enjoy the aforesaid parcel of land .. called 'Foragatefeld' ... of a lease thereof made by the aforesaid Ranold Norton and Richard Norton unto the aforesaid Denyse and Thomas Best during all the time yet to come contained in the same indenture without any interuption &c... ALSO the award that the aforesaid Robert .. shall lawfully seal and deliver ... a good and sure release ... ALSO the award that the aforesaid Thomas Herete at the making of this present indenture of award shall content and pay unto the aforesaid Robert 13/4 ... for such hurts, displeasures and damages as the same Thomas ... has done unto the aforesaid Robert.. ALSO the award that

CO. KENT

1515

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Stephen Bulle of Pluckleye to Nicholas Deryng Gentleman, Richard Kingsnoth, Henry Kingsnorth and John Whatlowe of Pluckley... of one piece of land with the appurtenances called 'Yaldewodisdane' als. 'Yaldsondale' with one 'puteo' ( coal-pit, ccess-pit pit ?) to the same piece of land belonging and adjoining called 'Boroughpette', containing by estimation 7 acres of land... lying together in the parish of Pluckley... to the lands of the said Nicholas Deryng, which late were of Thomas Gybon while he lived of Pluckley aforesaid, to the West, to the King's road there to the North and lands of Stephen Gylys to the East and to the lands of the said Stephen Gylys to the South... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said piece of land &c... to the said Nicholas Deryng his heirs and assigns forever, of the chief Lord of the fee...

Dated: 11th January 6 Henry VIII (1515)

Signed: Stephen Bulle

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

The witnesses are John Deryng Gentleman, Robert Toke Gentleman, John Bettenham Gentleman, Henry Idyall, John Spyce, Thomas Hartte, John Bakar, Richard Borne, Henry Knoke, Richard Elys, William Kingesnoth, John Dowle, Thomas Huntte, Henry Gylys, Thomas Pyx and many others.

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1517

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Robert Peers to John Wolton of Smarden of six pieces of land lying in the parish of Egerton, above the denne of Wa-nsneth... containing by estimation 28 pieces of land... less at least the six pieces of land the said Robert lately purchased of William Ongley (?)... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said six pieces of land to the said John Wolton his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated 22nd March 8 Henry VIII (1517)

Attached to the seal tag is the large fragment of a seal, in black wax, the impression being very worn and not discernible.

## FEOFMENT AND QUITCLAIM

Feofment and quitclaim by Edward Ffrynd of the parish of Westbery in the county of Kent ... to Henry Ideall of the parish of Pluckley in the county aforesaid ... of all the reversion of lands and tenements, rents and services, meadow and pasture with all their appurtenances, situated in the parish of Pluckley... which were late of William Ffrynd deceased, which will come to him after the death of Joan Ideall, the wife of the aforesaid Henry ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Henry Ideall his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated:           8th May 8 Henry VIII (1525)

Attached to the document by its tag is a seal, in red wax, bearing a very worn impression that is not discernible.

The witnesses are John Deryng Gentleman, Stephen Gyles, Stephen Bull (?), Thomas Hayles (?), Thomas Haute, Nicholas Payre (?), Thomas Henry, Thomas Pyx and many others.



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16th Century

ABSTRACT OF TITLE

Contemporary Abstract of Title, written on paper, bound in a book. The ink is somewhat caustic and has burnt the paper, making some of the text difficult to read.

FEOFMENT

1527

Feofment by Robert Coke of the parish of Ashe in the county of Kent Gentleman .. to Henry Harte, yeoman, Richard Derynge, Gentleman, Henry Idiall, yeoman, Anthony Hunt and George Kingsnoth... of one messuage, one garden and pieces (sic) of land of which one is called 'Colverton' and another piece is called 'Raynards Croft', lying and existing together at Pluckley Hill in the parish of Pluckley in the county aforesaid... to wit..... to the King's highway there towards the East and North, to the lands of John Betynhem Gentleman and to the land of the said Robert Coke towards the East and to the cemetery of Pluckley and to a forstal there towards the South, containing by estimation 10 acres... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... to the said Henry Harte et al... to the use of the said Henry Harte and his heirs forever in exchange for 5 pieces of land called 'Barlinge', 'Longreche', 'Scryplands', 'Hyefeld' and 'Reyhlam', as kore plainly may appear by a charter of the said Henry to the said Robert made.....

Dated: 1 July 19 Henry VIII (1527)

Signed: John Toke

Seisin given in the prescence of John Toke Gentleman, Thomas Hunt, William Bocher.

The witnesses are Radulph Massey, Rich Post, John Stonestreete senior, John Stonestreete junior, Rich Ellis, John Noris and John Mannys and many others.

This deed and Release from Richard and John Deryng unto Henry Harte of the Newe House whereby it may appear that house now 'Nettperkens' (?) was John Deryng's, the deed being sealed by both seales and written I think by Henry Harte's wife hand was put in the --- (?) of all being written with Richard Deryng's own hand.

Will Lovelace      Thomas Twissden

A number of paper sheets, sewn, giving six copies of deeds, taking probably the form of an abstract of title deeds relating to the property named within, prior to their sale after 1587:

No. 1

1527

Feofment by Robert Toke of the parish of Asshe in the county of Kent, Gentleman to Henry Harte, yeoman, Richard Deringe, Gentleman, Henry Idiall, yeoman, Anthony Hunt and George Kingsnothe of one messuage, one garden and pieces of land of which one is called 'Culverton' and another 'Raynard's Croft', lying and being together at Pluckley Hill in the parish of Pluckley ... to the King's highway there towards the West and North, to lands of John Betenham, Gentleman and to lands of the said Robert Toke towards the East and to the cemetery at Pluckley and to a forstal there towards the South, containing by estimation 10 acres more or less, to have and to hold ... unto the said Henry Harte et al' ... to the use of the said Henry Harte and his heirs forever, in exchange for 5 pieces of land called 'Barlinge', 'Longreche', 'Schyplands', 'hyefeld' and 'Reyham', as more plainly may appear by charter of the said Henry to Robert Toke ...

Dated: At Pluckley 1st July 19 Henry VIII (1527).

Livery of seisin in the presence of John Toke senior, Thomas Hunt, William Bocher, Randolph Massey, Richard Post, John Stonestrete senior, John Stonestrete junior, Richard Ellis and John Noris and John Manys.

No. 2

1547

Quitclaim by Richard Deringe of the parish of Pluckley Esquire and John Deringe of the same place, Gentleman to Henry Harte of the parish of Bocton Malherbe... of one messuage or tenement called 'Newhouse', with a garden, barn, orchard and two pieces of land arable, of which one is called 'Culverton' and the other 'Raynard's Croft', containing by estimation 10 acres ... lying and being in the parish of Pluckley at a place there called Pluckley Hill, with 7/- to the same messuage belonging ...

Dated: At Pluckley 20th March 37 Henry VIII (1547)

## QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Albritha Bacheler, daughter and heir of Gilbert Bacheler, late of Egerton in the county of Kent, now deceased ... to John Deryng of Pluckley in the county aforesaid, Gentleman ... of and in one messuage, one garden and five pieces of land and wood with the appurtenances called 'Great Gardeyn', 'Backhousfeld' or 'Backhousecrofte', 'Childerne-meade cum Bosco' and 'Crofte at le laneende', containing in the whole by estimation 13 acres and a half, lying, situate and being in the parish of Pluckley aforesaid at Frendistreate... to wit to land of the said John Deryng towards the North and the King's highway toward the West and land of Henry Gyles towards the East and to land of Richard Frende towards the South ... which said lands &c. the said John Deryng late had by gift of the said Albritha Bacheler ... by her charter dated 5th April 25 Henry VIII (1534).

Dated: 10th April 25 Henry VIII (1534)

Attached to the document by its seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c 2cms x 1.25cms, bearing the indistinct impression of a device, possibly a flower or a fleur-de-lis.

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Stephen Drayner of Cranebrook in the county of Kent Esquire... to Henry Clerke of the parish of Plukeley of one tenement, two gardens and eight pieces of land together with 7/- quit rent... containing by estimation 16 acres of land.. situated and lying in the said parish of Plukeley at Stonefourth, to the King's road there towards the West, to a certain land leading to the King's road as fas as 'Eryn iaker'towards the North, to lands of John Spice towards the East, to lands of the heirs of William Bocher and lands ----- (sic) Harlakynnden Esquire towards the South... to have and to hold the said tenement &c... to the said Henry Clerke his heirs and assigns forever... and Stephen Drayner... makes, ordains and constitutes Robert Monde of the parish of Egerton his attorney... to deliver seisin of the said tenement &c...

Dated : 10th September 30 Henry VIII (1538)

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, in black wax, c 1.3cms dia., bearing the clear impression of the initial 'D', set within a square bordure.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are William Tylman, Richard Blassynnden, Nicholas Gylis, Thomas Stonestrete, Rycherd Monde and others.

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Henry Gyles of Pluckele in the county of Kent, bocher ...for a certain sum of money... to John Deryng of the same place Gentleman of four pieces of land with their appurtenances lying in a certain place called 'pristsgrove', containing by estimation nine acres of land, lying and being in Pluckley aforesaid, abutting to lands of James Bayall called 'fforgatfeld' to the South and lands of the said John Deryng to the West and North, to lands of the said Henry Gyles to the North and to (sic) the heirs of Richard Ffrend to the East and in the tenure of the court of Pluckele, which formerly were of Stephen Gyles his father...TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said John Deryng his heirs and assigns forever.. of the chief lord of that fee...

Dated 30th April 30 Henry VIII (1538)

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c 1.8cms x 1.2cms, bearing the impression of a cross upon a St. Patrick's cross, giving the effect of an eight pointed star, all within a circular bordure.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Henry Herte and John Stostrette.

CO. KENT

1542

FEOFMENT

Feofment by John Deryng of Pluckele in the county of Kent Gentleman ... for a certain sum of money ... to Stephen Gyles of Charryng in the county aforesaid, 'bocher' ... of one piece of land with the appurtenances called 'harryfeld', containing in the whole by estimation 5½ acres of land, lying and existing in the parish of Pluckele aforesaid... to the lands of John Deryng towards the East, to the King's highway there towards the South, to the lands of George Darrell Esquire towards the North and West ... and is in the tenure of the court of Surrenden ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... to the said Stephen Gyles his heirs and assigns forever ... to the use of the said Stephen Gyles &c.... forever ...

Dated 24th October 34 Henry VIII (1542)

Attached to the document by its seal tag is a seal, in red wax, bearing a worn armorial impression.

CO. KENT

Tempus Henry VIII

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by John Barbor of Chilham in the county of Kent yeoman ... to John Stonstret of Pluckle in the county aforesaid, clothier ... in and to three pieces of land with the appurtenances ... of which the first is called 'Byllethope Croft', the second 'Lytell holmfeld' and the third 'Gretholmfeld'... containing in the whole by estimation 13 acres of land, lying and being in the parish of Pluckele aforesaid... to the land of Thomas Bettinham Gentleman to the North and East, to the King's highway towards the South and to land of Thomas Pixe towards the South and West ... and is in the tenure of the court of Wye...

Dated: 9th April -- Henry VIII

Attached to the document by its seal tag is a seal, in red wax, bearing no distinct impression.

## QUITCLAIM

1546

Quitclaim by Richard Deerynge of the parish of Pluckle in the county of Kent Esquire and John Derynge of the same place Gentleman.. to Henry Harte of the parish of Bocton Malleherbe in the county aforesaid ... to the use of the said Henry Harte his heirs and assigns forever... of one messuage or tenement called 'Newhouse', with a garden, barn, orchard and two pieces of arable land of which one is called 'Culverton' and the other 'Raynards Crofte', containing in the whole by estimation 10 acres of land, lying in the parish of Pluckle aforesaid at a place there called 'Pluckle Hill', as may appear by a charter from Richard and John Derynge dated 1st March...

Dated at Pluckle 20th March 37 Henry VIII (1546)

Signed: John Derynge sealed by both.

Memorandum that Anthony Deryng hath to claym his land or money for the same by Upton at Westclyffe beside bere ----- of certain lands lying in a field called 'Winterturme feld' up against 'the Foxbororge' and contained 4 acres. There is also one other little piece of land more in the same parish

Willa Byng.

## FOEFMENT

1546

Feofment by Henrie Harte of Bocton Malherbe in the county of Kent, yeoman ... to Edward Kingsnoth and Richard Dowle of Pluckle... of one messuage or tenement called 'Newhouse' with a garden called 'courte garden', one barn, one orchard and two pieces of land... of which one is called 'Culuton' and the other is called 'Raynards Croft', containing in the whole 10 acres... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Edward Kingsnoth and Richard Dowle their heirs and assigns for .... to wit... to the use of Robert Rudstone and John Stonestret and their assigns for the term of 8 years immediately after the decease of Henrie Harte... and after the term of 8 years to the use of John Harte his son, his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated the last day of July 38 Henry VIII (1546)

Present at this state delivering John Andver, Richard Kingsnothe, Robert Hynksell and Roges Harte.

In margin in a later hand:

Thiss woeds, by this deed speaking of the new house it maie appear that Henry Harte had not the house now 'Nepckers' (?), but it was at that time my father John Deryng's house, being indorsed by Richard Deryng upon theis deed of Henry Harte..



## QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Thomas Talman of Chartham in the county of Kent, yeoman ... to Edward Harres of the parish of Shaddockesherst in the county of Kent, yeoman... in and to one tenement, one garden and two pieces of land with their appurtenances, containing by estimation five acres of land, situate lying and being in Pluckeley... between the Queen's highway there towards the North, land of the heirs of Edward Hill towards the West and South, land late of Edward Pix towards the South, a certain lane there towards the East and a garden of Gilbert Mylles towards the East and North...

Signed: Thomas Tylman

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c 1.9cms dia., bearing a worn impression which is not discernible.

The witnesses are William Harlakynden, John Harrys, John Mosley and Thomas Curtess.

CO. KENT

1568

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Edward Harris of Shadockeshurst in the county of Kent, yeoman to John Dany of Pluckley in the said county, husbandman... of all his right &c... in and to one tenement, one garden and two pieces of land with the appurtenances, containing by estimation 5 acres of land... situate... in the parish of Pluckley... between the Queen's highway there towards the North and to land of William Hill towards the West and South and to land of Thomas Pix (?) towards the South, a certain lane there towards the East and to a garden late of Gilbert Milles towards the East and North... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... unto the said John Dany..... forever...

Dated 6th April 10 Elizabeth (1568)

Attached to the document by its tag is a seal, in red wax, c 1.2cms dia., worn, bearing the impression of horizontal and vertical lines crossing.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are John Harrye, Edw Kyngsnoth, Andreas Dowle and John Sawnder.

No. 3

1547

Feofment by Henry Harte of Bocton Malherbe, yeoman to Edward Kingsnothe and Richard Dowle of Pluckley of one messuage or tenement called 'Newhouse', with a garden called 'Courte Garden', one barn, one orchard, and two pieces of land ... of which one is called 'Culverton' and the other is called 'Raynard's Croft', containing by estimation 10 acres... to have and to hold unto the use of the said Henry Harte, for the term of his life and after his decease to the use of Robert Rinstone (?) Esquire and John Stonestrete and his assigns for the term of 8 years, immediately after the decease of the said Henry Harte... then to the use of the said Henry Harte his son, his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: last day of July 38 Henry VIII (1547)

The witnesses are John Andver, Richard Kingsnoth, Robert Hynksell and Roger Harte.

No. 4

1587

Feofment by Timothy Harte, a son and heir of John Harte, late of Pluckley, yeoman... for and in consideartion of £38... to Anthony Dering of Pluckley, Gentleman and John Spice of Pluckley, yeoman of and in all that part of one messuage, one barn, one garden, one orchard and two pieces of land arable, meadow and pasture, called 'Colverton' and 'Raynard's Croft', containing by estimation 10 acres, lying and being in Pluckley aforesaid... to the lands of Daniel Bettenham Esquire and Richard Dering Esquire towards the East and to lands of the said Richard called 'le Forstall' and to the cemetery of the parish church of Plcukley towards the South and to the King's highway there towards the West and North... and all other his lands ... within the parish of Pluckley aforesaid ... to have and to hold unto the use of the said Anthony Dering his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated: At Pluckley 14th June 29 Elizabeth (1587)

The witnesses are John Harris, Richard Spice and George Fulkes.

No. 5

1587

Quitclaim by Zachary Harte of Egerton in the county of Kent, shoemaker, one of the sons of John Haute, late of Pluckley, yeoman... for and in consideration of £20 ... to Anthony Dering of Pluckley, Gentleman... of one messuage &c... which were late of John Harte his father...

Dated: 15th June 29 Elizabeth (1587)

The witnesses are Thomas Brent, Richard Spice and David Squirer.

No. 6

1587

Quitclaim by Henry Harte of Owlcum (Ulcombe) in the county of Kent, clothier, one of the sons of John Harte, late of Pluckley, yeoman ... for and in consideration of the sum of £20 ... to Anthony Deeringe of Pluckley and his heirs ... of and in one messuage &c..., which were late of John Harte his father ...

Dated: 15th June 29 Elizabeth (1587)

The witnesses are Thomas Brent, Richard Spice and David Squirer.

## FEOFMENT

1587

Feofment by Timothy Harte, one of the sons and heirs of John Harte, late of Pluckley in the county of Kent, yeoman... for and in consideration of £38... to Anthony Deryng of Pluckley Gentleman and John Spice of Pluckley yeoman... of all that his purparte of and in one messuage, one barn, one orchard, one garden and two pieces of land arable, meadow and pasture called 'Culverton' and 'Raynards Croft'... in Pluckley aforesaid... abutting to the lands of Daniel Bettenham Esquire and Richard Deryng Esquire to the East and to other lands of the said Richard called 'le Forstall' and to the cemetery of the parish church of Pluckley to the South and to the King's highway there to the West and North... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD... to the sole use of Anthony Deryng his heirs and assigns forever...

Dated at Pluckley 14th June 29 Elizabeth (1587)

Signed and seisin delivered in the presence of John Harris, Richard Spice and George Fulkes.

## QUITCLAIM

1587

Quitclaim by Zachary Harte of Egerton in the county of Kent shoemaker one of the sons of John Harte, late of Pluckley, yeoman... for and in consideration of £20 ... to Anthony Dering of Pluckley ... of the premises mentioned above....

Dated 15th June 29 Elizabeth (1587)

Signed by Zarry. Hart

The witnesses are Thomas Brent, Richard Spice and David Squier.

## QUITCLAIM

1587

Quitclaim by Henry Harte of Owlcum in the county of Kent, clothier, one of the sons of John Harte, late of Pluckley, yeoman... in consideration of £20... to Anthony Deringe... of the premises mentioned above...

Dated 15th June 29 Elizabeth (1587)

Witnessed as before...

CO. KENT

1601/2

QUITCLAIM:

Quitclaim by John Dowle of the parish of Edgerton in the Co. of Kent, kerseymaker to Abraham Dowle of Old Romney... to all that half part of one messuage, 1 garden, 2 orchards, 5 pieces of land... containing in the whole by estimation 12 acres of land... situated in the parish of Pluckley... to a certain place commonly called 'Mond Street'... to wit to the King's highway there towards the North and East, towards land of Richard Barling towards the North and to land of John Poste towards the South and West... which said premises the same Abraham Dowle late had and purchased by the gift and grant of the said John Dowle by a charter dated 7th January of even date...

Dated: 13th January 43 Elizabeth 1601/2

Signed: John Dowle

Attached to the document by its original tag is a seal, in dark red wax, c 2>5 cms, round, bearing the impression of the initials 'I.H.' within a floral design.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are: John Hawse, Richard Tylman and Thomas Tillman.

CO. KENT

1500/1

QUITCLAIM:

Quitclaim by John Wreke of the parish of Halsto, yeoman... to John Elbryght of the parish of Bredgar... to 1 messuage with a garden... situated in the parish of Wormsell... in a place called 'Bedmenten Strete'... towards the land of ----- Prett towards the East, towards land of Thomas Bedmenten towards the West and North and towards land of Thomas Reder towards the South...

Dated at Wormsell 4th July 16 Henry VII (1500/1)

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Johanna Brugate widow of the parish of Werhorne .. to Avice Kynnett, relict of Richard Kynnet, late of Bylsyngton, now deceased.. of the moiety of two pieces of land called 'Brownyslonds', containing by estimation 6 acres of land... lying together in the parish of Rokyng and in the tenure of the court of Lymmyng.. to the lands of the heirs of Alexander Oxne towards the South and East, to the King's highway there towards the North and to the lands late of William Carpynter towards the East and West ...TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said moiety ... to the said Avice Kynnett widow her heirs and assigns forever... of the chief Lord of the fee...

Dated at Rokyng aforesaid in feast of St. Michael the Archangel 18 Henry VIII (1527).

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

The witnesses are Henry Est----, ----- Plegger (?) and Richard Est-----. (In part badly stained and barely legible.

## BRENCHLEY

## CONTEMPORARY COPY OF DEED TO LEAD TO USES OF A FINE &amp;c..

Indenture dated 18th December 2 Charles I (1626) BETWEEN Thomas Bottinge of Brenchley in the county of Kent clothier and Anne his wife on the one part and John Brown of Brenchley Gentleman and Thomas Huntlie of Brenchley tanner on the other part.. WITNESSES that it is covenanted, concluded &c.. between the said parties.. that the said Thomas Bottinge and Anne his wife shall and will before the end of Hillary Term next.. levy and acknowledge a fine.. of one messuage or tenement called 'Wickeridge Hole', two gardens and one orchard thereto belonging with the appurtenances in Brenchley and abutting to lands late of Walter Roberts Knight to the East, the King's highway there leading from Brenchley to Lamberhurst towards the South and West, to certain lands called 'Melmede' towards the North, now in the tenure or occupation of William Hunt.. of one other messuage called 'Biggs' als 'Bigborne' in Brenchley and abuttings to the King's highway there leading to a place called 'Parrocke' towards the North, to lands of Charles Tucker Esquire towards the West .. and of one other messuage and garden with the appurtenances called 'Ayldwyns' and of 17 pieces or parcels of land, containing in the whole by estimation 46 acres and are situate and being in Brenchley aforesaid.. and abutt to lands of the said Charles Tucker Esquire in part towards the North, East, West and South, to lands of William Aylwy in part towards the North, to a wood called 'Parrocke Wood' in part towards the West, to lands of Robert Johnson there in part to the South, North and East, to the King's highway there leading to the wood called 'Parocke Wood' in part towards the North and East .....

This is a treu copy agreeing with the original under the hands and seals of Thomas Botting and Anne Botting remaining with William Pix of Hawkherst and Mary his wife. Examined by Nicholas Kilburne and Samuel Shorte.



## PARISH OF ST. MARY WITHIN ROMNEY MARSH

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Chalcroft of Bredgar in the county of Kent Gentleman... for a competent sum of money... to Stephen Hobdaye of Barham in the county of Kent yeoman... of ONE piece or parcel of land containing by estimation 19 acres of land, situate lying and being in the parish of St. Maries within Romney Marsh in the county of Kent... abutting to the lands of Sir Thomas Edolphe Knight towards the East, to a common watercourse towards the North, to other lands of the said Stephen Hobdaye, late Robert Brodnax Gentleman towards the South and West and to lands now or late of ----- Ashburnham Esquire towards the South... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said Stephen Hobdaye his heirs and assigns forever... AND FURTHER the said Thomas Chalcroft hath constituted.. Robert Hobdaye of Barham yeoman, brother of the said Stephen Hobdaye his.. attorney.. to deliver seisin of the said premises....

Dated: 4th December 3 Charles I (1627).

Signed: Thomas Chalcrofte.

Attached to the long seal tag of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2½ cms x 3½ cms., bearing a deep, clear impression of a fleur de lis.

The witnesses to the livery of seisin and the execution of the deed are given on the dorse. They are Robert Hobdaye, his mark, Thomas White, William Chalcroft, Thomas Trusson (?) and Cu (?) Pepper.

CO. KENT

1820

PARISHES OF EASTBRIDGE, BURMARSH, ONGARSWICK AND NEWCHURCH.

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 19th July 1 George IV (1820) BETWEEN Thomas Papillon of Acrise in the county of Kent Esquire of the first part and Mary Minnitt of Tottenham in the county of Middlesex widow of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said Thomas Papillon for and in consideration of 5/-... HATH bargained and sold.. unto the said Mary Minnitt... ALL THOSE two pieces of fresh marsh land with the appurtenances, containing by estimation 32 acres... lying and being in the parishes of Eastbridge, Burmarsh, Ongarswick and Newchurch or one of them in the liberties of Romney Marsh... which were formerly in the tenure or occupation of William Symonds afterwards of Augustine Greenland, since of Thomas Gillett and Robert Steed, afterwards of William Turner Gentleman and since of William Lott and now of Joseph Stead... AND ALSO all those grounds or marsh lands commonly called 'Armmards', containing by estimation 60 acres, lying and being in the parishes of Eastbridge and Burmarsh, formerly in the tenure or occupation of William Tournay, afterwards of the said William Lott.. all which said pieces of marsh lands... were late in the tenure of John Coleman, since in the tenures or occupations of Thomas Coleman and William Coleman, now or late were in the several tenures or occupations of John Back and William Austin... to have and to hold unto the said Mary Minnitt... for the term of one whole year... yielding and paying therefore.. one pepper corn if lawfully demanded...

Signed: Thomas Papillon.

Attached to the seal fold is a seal, in red wax, bearing a very worn impression of a man's profile, facing the left.

The witness, George Curteis, is named on the dorse.

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Thomas Perotte of the parish of St. Laurence in the Isle of Thanet to Thomas Knollar of the same parish of one acre of land lying and being at a place called 'strete ende' in the parish of St. Laurence between the land of John Frost towards the South and land late of Thomas Jurdan towards the North and land of Edward ( or possibly Edmund ) Houlotte towards the West and a public road towards the East... to have and to hold... unto the said Thomas Knollar his heirs and assigns forever.. of the chief Lord of that fee by the services thence owed and customarily given...

Dated at St. Laurence 21st September 22 Edward IV (1482)

The witnesses are Richard Nobill, William Barnarde, Richard Johnson, William Wellys, Stephen Cheke and many others.

Attached to the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2cms dia., bearing the very worn impression of what is probably a bird, statant, facing the left, within a circular bordure. The impression could possibly be that of an animal. It is uncertain.

CO. KENT

1807

NEWINGTON IN THE PARISH OF ST. LAWRENCE IN THE ISLE OF THANET

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by John Maxted of Manston in the Isle of Thanet yeoman and William Maxted of Northwood in the parish of St. Lawrence in the said Isle of Thanet yeoman, two of the sons and also legatees named in the last will and testament of John Maxted the elder of Northwood yeoman deceased ... WHEREAS the said John Maxted the elder in and by his last will and testament dated 26th July 1807 gave and devised ALL that his piece or parcel of arable land containing by estimation 6 acres and 1 rood, situate lying and being at or near a certain place there called Newington in the said parish of St. Lawrence and then in the occupation of his two sons John Maxted and William Maxted unto and to the use of his two sons John Maxted and George Maxted and to their respective heirs and assigns forever to be divided between them share and share alike as tenants in common... and after reciting that he had at different times lent and advanced to and for the use of his said son George Maxted several sums of money ... to the sum of £60 and upwards which was more than he was able to do for his other children ... the said testator died thereby declared his will to be that his said son George should pay to his brothers John Maxted and William Maxted one year after his deceased the sum of £20 ... to each of them ... and with the payment whereof the said testator did subject and charge the moiety of the said land so devised to him the said George Maxted ... AND WHEREAS the said George Maxted hath on the day of the date hereof paid unto his brothers... the sum of £20 each in discharge of the same sums so given and bequeathed to them in and by the said will.....Now THE SAID John Maxted and William Maxted ... acknowledge the receipt thereof ... and HAVE ... remised released and forever quitclaimed ... the said George Maxted his heirs executors &c... of and from the said two legacies... &c &c...

Signed:        John Maxted                      William Maxted

Attached to the paper document are two seals, in red wax,, c 2 cms x 2 cms., bearing an impression that is indistinct.

The witnesses are Thomas Chapman and P.J. de Tillire (?).

CO. KENT

1834

NEWINGTON IN THE PARISH OF ST. LAWRENCE, ISLE OF THANET

UNDERTAKING

Memorandu, dated 30th April 1834... Whereas Mr. William Darby of the parish of St. Lawrence in the Isle of Thanet has purchased of the assignee of Sackett Darby all the contingent reversionary interest ( expectant on the decease of Susanna Darby widow ) of him the said Sackett Darby in and to the produce of the sale of a piece of arable land containing by estimation 3 acres and 26 perches, lying and being at Newington in the parish of St. Lawrence and of and in all other the net real and personal estate late of William Darby the elder deceased for the price... of £15, but is desirous to save the expense of an actual assignment of such share... Now we the undersigned do hereby undertake on behalf of Mr. John Warren the sole assignee to execute at the costs of the said William Darby an assignment of the said share so purchased and to do all other reasonable acts which may be required for vesting the property in him his appointees or assigns whenever called upon..

Signed: Gravener and Shrewsbury, solicitor for the assignees....

CO. KENT

1919

SHEERNESS

CONVEYANCE

Indenture dated 5th June 1919 BETWEEN Thomas Thwaites of Little Radfeld Bapchild near Sittingbourne in the county of Kent Gentleman ( hereinafter called the vendor ) of the one part and Reuben Atkinson of 23 Ranelagh Road, Sheerness in the county of Kent ship fitter ( hereinafter called the purchaser ) of the other part.. WHEREAS Jesse Clark late of Sheerness being at the time of his death seised in unencumbered fee simple in possession of the hereditaments and premises hereinafter described... to be hereby conveyed.. by his will dated 7th February 1877 gave and devised &c.. all his estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever to his wife Harriet Clarke ... AND WHEREAS the said Jesse Clark died on 13th January 1897 and his said will was on 13th May 1897 proved.. by the said Harriet Clarke the sole executrix.. AND WHEREAS by her will dated 1st April 1909 the said Harriet Clarke appointed the vendor to be executor... AND WHEREAS the said Harriet Clarke died on 24th 1910... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that in consideration of £245.. the vendor as personal representative of the said Harriet Clarke deceased hereby conveys unto the purchaser ALL THAT piece of land situate at Sheerness in the Isle of Sheppey in the county of Kent, having a frontage to Berridge Road at Sheerness of about 14 '.. which said piece of land is described by the plan.. of an indenture of conveyance dated 16th November 1886 between William Pryor Bowen, Edward Jabez Hooker and William Thomas Rule the younger of the first part, the Sheerness Permanent Building Society of the second part and the said Jesse Clark of the third part.. TOGETHER with the messuage or tenement and premises thereon erected and built and now known as No. 112 Berridge Road.. TO HOLD.. to the use of the purchaser in fee simple.. but subject nevertheless to covenants, restrictions &c.. contained in an indenture of conveyance dated 28th September 1885 between Richard Berridge, Edward Angelo Goodall and Thomas Cape of the first part and the said William Pryor Bowen, Edward Jabez Hooker and William Thomas Rule the younger of the other part...&c...

Signed: Edward Thomas Thwaites                      Reuben Atkinson

Attached to the document are two paper seals, bearing no impression.

The witness is W.H. Topland, solicitor, Sheerness.

## SHOREHAM

## MARRIAGE SETTLEMENT

Indenture tripartite dated 9th November 1 William and Mary (1689) BETWEEN James Petley of Filstone in the parish of Shoreham in the county of Kent Gentleman of the first part, Richard Abbot of St. Mary Cray yeoman and Edmund Hodsoll of St. Mary's Cray Gentleman of the second part and Elizabeth Abbot eldest daughter of the said Richard Abbot of the third part... WITNESSETH that the said James Petley in consideration of a marriage intended.. between him and the said Elizabeth Abbot and for and in consideration of a settlement made by him the said Richard Abbot of a certain farm and lands situate lying and being in Bexley in the said county of Kent, now in the occupation of Allen Wyborne... to the use of the said James Petley and Elizabeth and for diverse uses therein mentioned.. for a marriage portion of the said Elizabeth and for a competent jointure to be provided for her ... the said James Petley hath.. Given, granted, released &c... unto them the said Richard Abbot and Edmund Hodsoll their heirs and assigns forever ALL that one piece of meadow land, containing by estimation 3 acres heretofore taken out of the great meadow in Shoreham &c... ( as before )... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said Richard Abbot and Edmund Hodsoll their heirs and assigns forever...

Signed: James Petley Richard Abbot Edmund Hodsoll

Attached to the seal tags of the document are four seals, in red wax, the first three bearing the impression of a crest:

The fourth is paper on wax, no impression being discernible.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Elizabeth Hodsoll and Thomas Cooper.

## SHOREHAM

## PROBATE COPY OF THE WILL OF JAMES PETLEY

In the name of God amen.. James Petley of Shoreham in the county of Kent Gentleman.... &c...

To daughter Elizabeth £300 to be paid at her age of 21 years or the day of her marriage.. if she should die before she reaches the age of 21 years and remains unmarried then the £300 to his son James Petley at his age of 21 years or the day of his marriage, £300 to be kept at interest on such security as shall be approved by his loving friends Ralph Petley Esquire and Thomas Petley Gentleman his son or one of them and the interest to be good and used for the maintenance of his daughter Elizabeth... Item. More unto his daughter.. all the money that is or shall be owing unto him from the executors and administrators of Mr. John Swynoke deceased, which he left in John Swynoke's hands to indemnify him and the capital messuage, farm and lands called 'Filstone', situate and being in Shoreham, which he lately sold him, against the rights and claim of his sister Elizabeth Major, the wife of Mr. Thomas Major, being £400 for part of the consideration money for the purchase of the messuage &c.. she his said sister having now during the life of her said husband Thomas Major an annuity of £20 per annum issuing out of the said messuage, and in case she outlive her husband the annuity to cease and she is to have £300 out of the said £400 so left in the hands of the said Mr. John Swynoke, which was and is part of the purchase money ... and the other £100 residue was and is to come to Thomas Petley, and in case his sister Elizabeth die before her said husband, then the whole £400 to come to his executrix or assigns and whether £400 or £100 to go to his daughter Elizabeth within 6 months after the same received by his executrix... as long as she has attained her age of 21 years or is married... if his daughter should die... the money.. to go to his son James Petley at his age of 21 years or the day of his marriage whichever happens first. Item. To son James Petley and his heirs and assigns forever all his marsh lands lying in Snavel in the county of Kent, now in the occupation of John Ashley, containing by estimation 33 acres... and if his son die before he reaches his age of 21 years and is without heirs, then these lands to go to his daughter Elizabeth and to the heirs of her body.. and if she die without heirs of her body, then these to go to his wife Elizabeth and to her heirs and assigns forever... if all issue of his body fails, then the reversion of all that messuage, farm and lands in Bexley, now in the occupation of Allen Wiborne... to go to his wife Elizabeth her heirs and assigns forever... Item. To his wife.. ALL his estate &c.. in one fee simple mortgage or security for £300... in and to a farm, messuage and lands, situate lying and being in Fletching and Marisfield in the county of Sussex, heretofore made and granted to him by William Frankwell



of Langfield in the county of Kent yeoman. Item. To his wife all the rest and residue of his goods, cattle, chattels, plate, ready money, debts and personal estate... Item. To kinsman Ralph Petley Esquire and to Thomas Petley... to be guardians for both his children... and therefore to them £10 a piece...

Signed: James Petley.

Dated: 25th April 1694.

The seal is lacking.

The witnesses to the will are Francis Everest, William Walter, Mary Atherfold and Edmund Hodsell.

Administration of the will was granted at London : 25th September 1694. (PCC).

CO. KENT

1694

SHOREHAM

INVENTORY

A true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods and chattels of James Petley, late of Shoreham in the county of Kent deceased, taken out and appraised the 11th September 1694 by Thomas Tyllett and Francis Everest as follows, that is to say...

In primis, his wearing apparel and money in his pocket £ 10 0 0

In the parlour:

Item. One clock, two tables, seventeen chairs, one still, two paire of andirons, two pair of tongs, one fire shovell and three cushions £ 5 6 0

In the chamber over the parlour:

Item. One downe bedd, one feather bedd, one quilt, four blanketts, two feather bolsters, two feather pillowes, one bedstedle and other furniture belonging to that chamber £ 15 6 8

In the chamber over the brewhouse:

Item. two feather beds, two steddles, three feather pillowes, three feather bouldsters, seven blanketts and other furniture belonging to that chamber. £ 6 0 0

In chamber over the entry:

Item. One ole feather bedd, one pillow, one boulder, one rugg, one blankett, one old bedsteddle, one stow, one trunke and one box £ 1 15 0

In the chamber over the kitchen:

Item. One feather bedd, two feather bouldsters, one flock bedd, two flock bouldsters, two ruggs, five blanketts, two old beddsteddles, one pair of brasse candlesticks and a box of old books £ 8 13 4

Item. Nineteen payre of flaxen sheete, five holland sheetes, two paire of hempen sheetes, six paire of towel sheetes, six paire of holland pillowe coates, seven paire of flaxen pillowe coates, three dozen of dyaper napkins, five dyaper table cloathes. six dozen of flaxen napkins and some other small linnen £ 22 11 10

In the kitchen:

Item. In pewter and brasse and other household goods	£ 17 12 4
Item. Four old fowleing peices	£ 1 0 0
Item. In silverplate	£ 12 14 0
Item. A sett of curtaines and vallians	£ 1 10 0
	or £ 11 10 0

In the buttery:

Item. Four hogshedds, three poudring tubbs, two kilderkins, two iron potts, two dozen of milk hayes, one safe and twelve dozen of glass bottles	£ 5 13 0
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In the brewhouse:

Item. One copper, one brasse kettle, one meashsate (?), one cooker, one hum tubb, one wash keelar, one buckin tubb and some other old tubbs	£ 9 9 0
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In the maulte house:

Item. A parcel of mault	£ 40 0 0
Item. Forty old sacks, two skryes, one bushell, one half bushell, one pack and one half pack	£ 3 7 0

In the stable and yard:

Item. Four load of hay and st. foyne (?)	£ 4 0 0
Item. One mare and two cowes.	£ 10 0 0
Item. Two ole asses and two young asses	£ 5 0 0
Item. One hogg and two piggs	£ 1 10 0
Item. Two saddles and a pillion	£ 1 10 0
Item. One old saddle, two bridles, one pappell and some old lumber and things out of sight and forgot	£ 1 6 8
Item. Debts good and hopefull to be recovered	£213 4 6
Item. Four hundred of bavins and four cord of wood	£ 4 0 0
Item. A debte due upon a mortgage	£300 0 0
Some tptal is	£701 9 4

Debts deperate

£ 9 0 0

Dated 15th November 1694

by Master Thomas Tyllott

Signed: Thomas Welham, Dept. Reg.

## LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 21st March 1774 (14 George III) BETWEEN James Gray of the Town and Port of Sandwich, miller and Edward Gray of the same place, miller, the only surviving children of Mary, who was one of the five daughters of Elizabeth Studham, late of the town and port aforesaid, widow, both deceased and also the two brothers and heirs at law of Jane Gray, spinster, deceased of the one part and Valentine Sayer of the Town and Port of Sandwich, grocer and tallow chandler of the other part ... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of 5/0 ... they the said James Gray and Edward Gray HAVE granted, bargained and sold ALL that their full and equal undivided fifth part ... of and in one full equal undivided third part and all other the parts and shares of them... in ALL that messuage or tenement with the appurtenances ... and several pieces of land arable and pasture and woodlands, containing by estimation 26 acres... lying and being in the parish of Upper Hardres or elsewhere in the county of Kent ... and heretofore in the possession or occupation of Alexander Silk and now or late in the tenure or occupation of Robert Browning .... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said Valentine Sayer ... for the term of one whole year next ensuing ... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore one pepper corn... if lawfully demanded....

Signed:        James Gray                                Edward Gray

Attached to the seal fold are two seals, on pink ribbon, in red wax, c 1.4cms dia., bearing the impression of a classical bust facing the left.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are John Enston and John Watson.

## DEED TO LEAD TO A RECOVERY

Indenture tripartite dated 12th June 17 Charles II (1662)  
BETWEEN Thomas Whetenheill of East Peckham in the county  
of Kent, Esquire of the first part, George Baker of the  
Middle Temple, London, Esquire and John Troy of Staple  
Inne, London, Gentleman of the second part and William  
Roper of the parish of St. Martin in the Fields in the county  
of Middlesex of the third part... WITNESSETH that for diverse  
good causes and considerations them the said parties thereto  
moving ... it is fully agreed by all the parties to these  
presents ... that the said Thomas Whetenheill shall and  
will before the end of this present term of Trinity at his  
own proper costs ... before the Court of Common Pleas levy  
one fine &c... and suffer one recovery &c... of all that  
messuage or tenement and six pieces of fresh marsh with the  
appurtenances ... containing by estimation 52 acres of land,  
situated lying and being in the parish of Warehorne in the  
aforesaid county of Kent, now or late in the tenure or occu-  
pation of ---- Taylor or his assigns and also of five other  
pieces of freshmarsh with the appurtenances containing by  
estimation 31 acres lying and being in Snargate in the  
county of Kent, now or late in the tenure or occupation of  
the said ----- Taylor or his assigns and all that one garden,  
two orchards and 18 pieces of land, meadow and pasture with  
the appurtenances, containing by estimation four score and  
eighteen acres lying and being in Tenterden in the county of  
Kent, now or late in the tenure or occupation of Walter  
Woodgate of his assigns ...

Signed: Thomas Whetenhall

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

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are  
Anne Russell and Alan (?) Pairien (?)

A sheet of paper headed 'An abstract of the old writings of the land at Hawkhurst'.

Writings which belong to the state of Hawkhurst - which estate belongs as follows... two parts out of three to Mr. George Turner of Canterbury and the remaining third part to John and William Beabar of the county of Sussex, Gentlemen -

- No. 1 One indenture of mortgage dated 29th September 1690 made between John Dunke of the one part and Thomas Parkins of the other part for £100 payable as therein mentioned - A bond to perform covenants on the same.
- No. 2 One other mortgage from John Dunke to William Woods for £50 dated 13th October 1689 and a bond to perform covenants on the same.
- No. 3 One indenture of mortgage from John Dunk to William Woods for £50 dated 11th November 1689 and bond to perform covenants on the same.
- No. 4 One other indenture of assignment dated 25th March 1700 between William Woods of the one part and Thomas Parkins of the other part... William Woods received of Thomas Parkins £110 and Woods assigns over to Dunke two mortgages.
- No. 5 One indenture of mortgage made from John Dunk to Thomas Parkins for £212 and a bond on the same ... dated 13th April 1692
- No. 6 Sarah Baker's will, the daughter - probate dated 23rd May 1709.
- No. 7 Thomas Parkin's will - probate dated 28th February 1701.
- No. 8 William Dunke's release of the equity of redemption of a farm and lands in Hawkhurst, which was late his father's to Mrs. Sarah Baker and her heirs - consideration £15 - dated 15th April 1717.
- No. 9 Joane Perkins deed of gift to her son Thomas Perkins of her household goods and furniture .. 17th September 1679.
- No. 10 An old recovery with a great seal of brown wax.
- No. 11 Thomas Parkin's inventory.

CO. KENT

1685

OBLIGATION

Obligation by Thomas Whetenhall of East Peckham in the county of Kent Esquire ... to Joseph Hodges of Warehorne in the county aforesaid, yeoman... in the sum of £1120...

Dated: 13th June 1685 1 James I

Signed: Thomas Wetenthal

Attached to the tongue of the document is a paper on wax seal, c 2cms x 1.25cms., bearing no visible impression.

The Witnesses are John Tong and William Bing.

The obligation relates to covenants contained in one pair of indentures of even date between the said parties....



CO. KENT

1689

MORTGAGE

Indenture dated 11th November 1 William & Mary (1689)  
BETWEEN John Dunke of Hawkhurst in the county of Kent,  
wheelwright of the one part AND William Woods of Sandhurst  
in the said county of Kent, Blacksmith of the other part..  
WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of £50 ... the  
said John Dunke HATH demised ... and to farm let unto  
the said William Woods ... ALL that one messuage or tenement  
wherein the said John Dunke now dwelleth, one barn, one  
workhouse, one oasthouse, one garden, one orchard, one  
close and nine pieces of land with the appurtenances to  
the said messuage belonging ... situate, lying and being  
in the parishes of Hawkhurst and Sandhurst aforesaid ...  
containing by estimation 30 acres ... and abutting to  
a lane there leading from Riseden Hill to Hillgreene towards  
the South, to lands now or late of Richard Foster towards  
the West and to the King's highway leading from Hillgreene  
to Foure Troughs towards the North and to the lands now  
or late of Richard Foster towards the East ... TO HAVE  
AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... unto the said William  
Woods his executors, administrators and assigns for the  
full end and term of 1000 years ... YIELDING AND PAYING  
therefor ... one pepper corn ... PROVIDED always that  
if the said John Dunke his heirs, executors, administrators  
or assigns shall pay unto the said William Woods ... the  
full sum of £52/10/0 ... upon 13th November 1690 ... that  
then this present demise ... shall be void...

Signed: John Dunke

Attached to the original tag is a seal, in red wax, c  
1.7cms dia., bearing the impression of a bird arising  
out of a flame or possibly a coronet.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are William  
Jackman, Elizabeth Ford and John Ford.

CO. KENT

1689

MORTGAGE

Indenture dated 13th October 1 William and Mary (1689)  
BETWEEN John Dunke of Hawkhurst in the county of Kent,  
wheelwright of the one part and William Woods of Sandhurst  
in the county of Kent, blacksmythe of the other part ...  
WITNESSETH that the said John Dunke for and in consideration  
of the sum of £50 ... HATH demised &c and to farmlet ... unto  
the said William Woods ... ALL that one messuage or tenement  
wherein the said John Dunke now dwelleth, one barn, one work-  
shop, one oasthouse, one garden, one orchard, one close and  
nine pieces of land with the appurtenances to the said  
messuage belonging ... situated, lying and being in the  
several parishes of Hawkhurst and Sandhurst aforesaid ... TO  
HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... for the full end and  
term of 1000 years ... YIELDING and paying therefore yearly ...  
one pepper corn at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel ...  
if lawfully demanded ... PROVIDED ... that the said John  
Dunke his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns shall pay  
to the said William Woods ... the sum of £52-10-0 ... in which  
case this demise &c... to be void...

Signed: John Dunke

Attached to the seal tag is a seal, paper on red wax,  
c 5cms x 2.5cms., no impression being discernible.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are  
William Hollibone and John Foord.

Indenture of Mortgage

Indenture between John Duncke of Hawkhurst in the county of Kent, wheelwright of the one part and Thomas Parkins of Northiam in the county of Sussex, yeoman of the other<sup>2</sup> part... WITNESSETH that the said John Duncke for and in consideration of the sum of £100... HATH granted, bargained, sold, demised and to farm letten... ALL that one messuage or tenement, one barn, one workhouse and certain lands, tenements and hereditaments commonly called 'Joises and Reedes, situate, lying and being in the parish of Hawkhurst aforesaid and in Sandherst in the county of Kent... containing by estimation 26 acres of land, meadow and pasture and wood... now in the tenure or occupation of the said John Duncke or his assigns... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... unto the full end and term of 1000 years from thence next ensuing... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore one pepper corn yearly if lawfully demanded... PROVIDED always that if the said John Duncke... pay unto the said Thomas Parkins the sum of £106... then this present demise to be void...

Signed:     John Duncke

Attached to the document by its original parchment tag is a seal, in red wax, c. 1.25 cms. dia., bearing a fine impression of a classical head.

The names of the witnesses are given on the dorse. They are: Peter Allen, Thomas Wilding and Charles Blome.

CO. KENT

1692

OBLIGATION

Obligation by John Dunke of Hawkhurst in the county of Kent, wheelwright ... to Thomas Parkins of Northiam in the county of Sussex, yeoman ... in the sum of £40...

Dated: 13th April 1692

Signed: John Dunke

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, paper on red wax, c. 1.5cms. x 1.25cms., with an indistinct impression.

The names of the witnesses are Elizabeth Gibbon, George Baker and John Allen.

The condition of the obligation is such that if John Dunke his heirs, executors or administrators ... keep covenants &c. contained in one pair of indentures of even date ... then this obligation to be void &c....

## INVENTORY

A true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattells and creditts of Thomas Parkins als Parins late of Wearhorne in the county of Kent, yeoman, deceased, taken and valued and appraised on the 8th day of June in the year of our Lord god 1702 by Samuel Petter and William Hollands as followeth viz Att Mrs. Hodges att Wearhorne

Imprimis his purse Gardle wearing apparell and ready money	£10
Item one womans petty coate, one pillion cloath, two brushes	2/6
Item A box of child bed linnen and 5 blanketts	£1
Item 2 silver bodkins, 2 silver thimbles and other small things	£1/10/0
Item 22 silver spoons	£9
Item 6 gold rings	£3/1/6
Item In Old money	£1/16/0
Item A small box of ribbons	1/6
Item 48 pieces of old gold	£37/6/0
Item A silver tankard, 2 silver bowles, 1 silver currall, 1 pott with silver lidd	£14
Item 15 pair of fflaxen sheete	£8/5/0
Item 5 paire and a sheet of fine linnen	£5
Item 8 table cloths	£2/8/0
Item 8 dozen and 3 napkins	£6/3/9
Item 19 pillow beers and 6 towells	£1/17/6
Item 15 course napkins and 8 towells	5/0
Item 3 course tablecloths, 3 course cupboard cloathes	4/0
Item 4 paire of course sheetes	12/0
Item 3 fine sheetes	14/6
Item Some small linnen and some gloves	10/6
Item 10 paire of course sheetes	£2
Item 7 course tablecloths	10/6
Item 1 dozen and a half of course napkins	18/0
Item 28 small peeces of linnen	3/4
Item 2 pillowbeers	2/6

Att Samuel Petters att Bodiham

Item 3 paire of andirons, fforx, pair of tonges, 2 fire shovells, 1 fire slice, 1 range, five spitts	£1/7/6
Item 1 iron trevitt, 1 ffreying pann, 1 iron back	9/0
Item 2 tables, 1 carpett, 7 joynt stooles, 2 standes	£1/1/6
Item 7 chaires, 1 trunke, 2 boxes, 1 chest	7/6
Item 1 flockbed, 1 flock bolster, 1 rugg, 1 coverlid, 4 blanketts	15/6
Item 3 ffeatherbeds, three ffeather bolsters, 1 paire of curtains, 5 pillowes	£4/2/0
Item 1 brass furnace, 6 iron potts, 3 brass kettles	£2/11/6
Item 3 dozen of bottles, 4 glass some stone	6/0
Item 3 bedstedles, 1 matt, one cord	15/0
Item 5 Leathern baggs	10/0
Item Some old lumber	15/0
Item One grindstone, 1 fforke, 3 leaden weights	5/2
Item One mare, one colt, one sadle and bridle	£10/10/0
Item One mortgage upon land	£300
Item One mortgage upon land	£66/15/0
Item Money due upon bond	£10/18/0
Item debts esteemed good	£80
Item things unseen and forgot	£1/5/0
Summe totall of this inventory	£610/10/5

This inventory was exhibited 26 day of June 1702 by Master Thomas Rouf procurate pro Admin. of the will &c. and is a full and true inventory &c.

Signed: Tho Welliam Reg. Dep.

Item	A box of glasses and earthen ware	7/6
Item	a silke gowne petticoate and scarfe	£1/13/0
Item	3 pillowes	12/0
Item	One old jack, 2 weights, 1 muskett, 2 fowling peeces	£1
Item	8 pewter candle sticks, 1 still, 30 small pieces of pewter	17/6
Item	32 pewter dishes great and small	3/4
Item	1 brass chafing dish, 2 pair of brass scales and weights	3/0
Item	2 brass kettles, 3 brass skimmers, 4 brass candle sticks, 7 brass skilletts	£1/11/8
Item	One warming pann, 1 mortar and pestle, 2 iron dripping panns	10/6
Item	1 deske with small things in itt	£1/1/6
Item	6 chests, 1 trunke, 1 box	£1/3/0
Item	Some bookes	£1
Item	1 wheat ski--, 2 sives	5/0

Att Thomas Coopers att Northiham

Item	One plough and wheeles, two old harrow, one Gearne rack and old ox yoakes	10/0
Item	4 old chests, 3 barrells, 4 old tubbs, 3 old kielers, 1 little table, 1 beame, 1 paire of scales	7/6

Att Stephen Hatches

Item	1 bedstedle and att Dixters 1 malt ski-y and 2 barrells	10/6
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Att Richard Heaths att Hawkhurst

Item	2 ffeatherbeds, 2 ffeather bolsters, 1 pillow, 2 blanketts, one rugg, one stedle, curtains and Vallance, one matt and cord, one joynt chest	£5/3/6
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## APPRENTICESHIP INDENTURE

This indenture witnesseth that John French, the son of Robert French, deceased, late of Warhorn in the county of Kent, yeoman by and with the advice and consent of his unkle and Guardian James Turner of the Precincts of Christ Church Canterbury doth put himself apprentice to Thomas Clifford of Burgate within the City of Canterbury citizen and joyner to learn the Art, Trade, Mistery and business he now possesses... to serve from the feast of St. Michael the Archangel last past unto the full end and term of seven years from thence next ensuing and fully to be compleated and ended... AND the said master in consideration of £18 doth take...&c &c...

Dated: 1732 13 December 6 GEORGE II

Signed: John Ffrench

Attached to the document is a paper on wax seal bearing no discernible impression.

The witnesses are Elizabeth Turner and Mary Foreman.

The document is endorsed:

City of Canterbury December 23 1732  
Memorandum John French the within named apprentice was inrolled in the chamber of the said city before Edward Jacob, Alderman and Chamberlain of the said city on the day and year above written and in the mayoralty of Charles Knowler Esq..

Signed: E. Jacob Chamberlain

The following has been added to the dorse in pencil:

George French, the son of John French was born 1750 and died 1836 leaving a son George French, born 1777 and died Nov 30 1850, leaving a son George French, born 1820.

John French ( who signed ) nephew of James Turner father of George Turner, who died 1828 age 73.



## LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

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Signed: Hodges French

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in red wax, c. 1.25cms x 1.25cms., bearing the impression of a lion rampant, set within an octagon.

The names of the witnesses, given on the dorse, are James Hanson and John Dering.

CO. KENT

1734

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CO. KENT

1739

HAWKHURST

RELEASE

Indenture dated 20th March 13 George II (1739) BETWEEN John French of the city of Canterbury joiner on the one part and James Turner of the precincts of Canterbury.... Gentleman on the other part... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of £55... the said John French.. HATH granted, bargained, sold &c... unto the said James Turner... ALL that one full moiety or half part of one full third part of and in all that messuage or tenement barn, stable, buildings and several pieces of arable and pasture land thereto belonging, containing together by estimation in the whole 25 acres... situate lying and being in the parish of Hawkhurst in the said county of Kent and now in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Dunk or his assigns... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD.. the said moiety.. unto the said James Turner his heirs and assigns... forever...

Signed: John French.

Attached to the seal fold is a seal, c 2 cms dia., bearing the impression of a coat of arms quartered by nine, but otherwise indistinct.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Edward West and John Harrison.

## RELEASE

Indenture dated 16th October 1827 BETWEEN Jeremiah Smith of Cabbro in the parish of Rye in the county of Sussex, Gentleman of the one part and George Turner of Risdon House in the parish of Hawkhurst in the county of Kent Esquire of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said Jeremiah Smith... for and in consideration of the sum of £725 ( by virtue of the power reserved to him by one indenture dated 15th November 1823 ...) HATH granted &c... unto the said George Turner ... ALL that messuage or tenement now in two dwellings, two stables, granary, two oasthouses and cartlooge and all other the outhouses, edifices, closes. yards, gardens, orchards and appurtenances thereunto belonging ... AND ALSO all that one piece of land, formerly in two pieces, adjoining the said messuage and heretofor said to contain by estimation 3 acres .... but now said to contain by estimation 3½ acres, which said premises are situated in the parishes of Hawkhurst and Sandhurst, or in one of them in the said county of Kent, near a place called 'Four Trows' and do abut to the King's common highway there towards the North, to lands of the said George Turner towards the East, to lands late of the heirs of John Weston Esquire, deceased, but now of Luke Borrman towards the South and to the highway leading to Coughurst and King's Mill towards the West ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said George Turner and his heirs and assigns ... forever...

## Schedule:

1808 29 and 30 July

Indenture of Lease and Release, the latter between George Hanway Blackburn Esquire of the first part, William Weston Esquire of the second part and Thomas Weston the younger, Gentleman of the third part, being a conveyance of the above hereditaments, with others of the said William Weston .

1816 28 and 29 May

Indenutre of Lease and Release, the latter between Miriam Weston widow and William Weston, Gentleman of the first part, John Hunter carrier of the second part and William Leavy farrier of the third part, being a conveyance of the above hereditaments, with others to the said John Hunter.

1816 11 and 12 June

Indentures of Lease and Release, the latter between John Hunter of the first part, the said William Leavy of the second part and Joseph Beldon, wine merchant of the third part, being a mortgage of the above hereditaments, with others to Joseph Beldon for securing £550 and interest.

1820 7 and 8 August

Indentures of Lease and Release, the latter between the said Joseph Beldon of the first part, the said John Hunter of the second part and the said William Leavy of the third, being a reconveyance of the said hereditaments comprized in the last mentioned indentures ...

1821 23 and 24 November

Indentures of Lease and Release respectively between the said John Hunter of the one part and James Smith, Gentleman of the other part, being a mortgage of the before mentioned hereditaments, with others, to the said James Smith ...

1823 7 and 8 July

Indentures of Lease and Release, the latter between William Tuck, James Smith and William Leavey, assignees of the estate of the said John Hunter, a bankrupt, then deceased of the first part, the said James Smith in his character a mortgagee as aforesaid of the second part, Thomas Clark, Gentleman of the third part and Thomas Dyson Gentleman of the fourth part, being a conveyance of the before mentioned hereditaments, with others to Thomas Clark...

1823 14 and 15 ---

Indentures of Lease and Release ( endorsed on the last mentioned indentures ), the latter being between the said Thomas Clark of the first part, the said Jeremiah Smith of the second part and the said Thomas Dyson of the third part, being a conveyance of the hereditaments comprized in the within indenture to the said James Smith.

Signed : Jeremiah Smith

Attached to the seal fold of the document are two seals, in red wax, c 2.8cms dia., both bearing a very worn impression of a person's profile, facing the left.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are W.P.Burham, solicitor of Hawkhurst, Kent and James Miller, solicitor of Rye.

## LEASE

Indenture dated 29th September 1859 BETWEEN The Rev. Alfred Charnley Lawrence of Gressenhall near East Dereham in the county of Norfolk, clerk of the one part and Stephen Mills of Sandhurst in the county of Kent, farmer of the other part WITNESSETH that in consideration of a yearly rent hereinafter reserved and of the covenants &c.. hereinafter contained ... the said Alfred C. Lawrence doth by these presents demise and lease unto the said Stephen Mills his executors administrators and assigns .. ALL that messuage or farmhouse ( forming two houses or tenements adjoining each other ) with the barns, stables, outhouse, outbuildings and appurtenances ... AND also the several closes pieces or parcels of arable meadow and pasture adjoining, as the same have been lately in the occupation of Mrs. Ann Hince as tenant to the said Alfred C. Lawrence and containing altogether 39 acres, 3 roods and 24 perches ... situate in the parish of Sandhurst...AND ALSO those ten several cottages or tenements belonging to the said Alfred C. Lawrence at Sandhurst, with the gardens and appurtenances thereunto belonging, containing 1 acre, 3 roods and 18 perches ... all which said messuage or farmhouse, land and cottages are further described in the schedule hereunder written ( save and except out of the said premises the stable or building adjoining or near to the cottages in the field called 'the Bear Field' in the said schedule, as the same stable ... is now used and occupied by Mrs. Henrick of Sandhurst as tenant ) ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... unto the said Stephen Mills his executors and administrators from 29th September 1859 for the term of 14 years ... YIELDING AND PAYING therefor yearly the yearly rent of £80, clear of all taxes, assessments and impositions ... ( except land tax and the landlord's property tax ) by equal quarterly payments on 25th December, 5th March, 24th June and 29th September ... AND also he shall ... bear, pay and discharge all tithes or rent charge in lieu of tithes and all other charges &c.. and Stephen Mills also covenants to keep the messuage &c.. in good repair &c.. and it is also understood and agreed by the said parties that the said Stephen Mills shall erect and build on part of the said field called 'the Bear Field' a cottage or tenement and expend thereon the sum of £16 at the least and ... he shall be allowed to deduct this sum out of the first year's rent and such cottage when built to be taken as included with those hereby demised ...

The Schedule referred to:

	A	R	P
Bearfield, containing	8	0	0
Crossfield	2	0	38
Oasthouse Plot	1	1	12



	A	R	P
Plot adjoining	0	3	0
Poor House Meadow	3	2	27
School Meadow	0	0	11
Lower Pond Field	5	3	12
Upper Pond Field	4	2	1
Apps Meadow	1	1	5 (5-1-5 in pencil)
Silverdine Old Hop Garden	3	2	18
Silverdine Gardens	0	1	25
Pond Field	0	3	5
and with the farmhouse etc.			
House Field	1	3	17
Woods	1	0	1
Woods	0	1	18
Woods	0	0	24
	1	2	3
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	39	3	24

8 cottages and gardens adjoining the crossfield in the occupation of Mrs. Cruttenden, Mrs. Field, Mrs. Burt, John Weller, George Cloutt, William Verrill, George Clark and David Noakes

	1	0	34
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2 cottages and gardens in or adjoining the bearfield in the occupations of ----- Lightfoot and James Sweatman and a stable or building in the occupation of Mr. Robert Dunk

	0	2	24
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One cottage to be built by the said Stephen Mills

	1	3	18
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Summary:

Farmhouse, land and woods	39	3	24
Cottages and gardens	1	3	18
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	41	3	2

A.C. Laurence

Sealed and delivered in the presence of C.R. Lucas, 8 Lincoln's Inn, solicitor.

CO. KENT

ACQUITTANCE AND RECEIPT OF CONSIDERATION MONEY

Know all men by these presents that I Thomas Whetenhall of East Pecham in the county of Kent Esquire have upon the day of the date hereof received and had of Joseph Hodges of Warehorne in the county aforesaid yeoman the sum of £560 ... being the consideration money mentioned ... in one indenture of release dated with these presents ... made BETWEEN me the said Thomas Whetenhall of the one part and Joseph Hodges of the other part...

Signed: Tho Whetenhal

The document is of paper and attached to it along its right hand margin is a paper on wax seal, bearing no visible impression. The margin has been indented, the paper folded back upon itself and upon red sealing wax.

The witnesses are John Tonge and William Bing.

CO. KENT

1701

RELEASE

Indenture dated 6th January 13 William III (1701)  
BETWEEN Richard Tucker of the parish of Waltham in the  
county of Kent, collermaker of the one part and William  
Tucker of the parish of Whitfield als. Bewsfield in  
the said county, collermaker of the other part... WIT-  
NESSETH that the said Richard Tucker ... for and in  
consideration of the sum of £45 ... HATH granted, bargai-  
ned &c... unto the said William Tucker ... ALL that  
piece or parcel of arable pasture and woodland with  
the appurtenances, containing by estimation 5 acres  
... lying and being in the parish of Whitfield als.  
Bewsfield ... abutting to lands formerly of Thomas Spain  
towards the South, to the highway there leading to Deal  
towards the West, to the lands formerly of Edward Prescottt  
Gentleman towards the North and to lands of Henry Hony-  
wood Esquire towards the East and now in the tenure  
or occupation of the said William Tucker or his assigns..  
TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said William Tucker  
his heirs and assigns forever ...

Signed: Rich Tucker

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal,  
in red wax, c. 1cm dia., bearing the impression of a  
device incorporating an anchor through a heart.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Thomas  
Lade and John Taylor.

## FEOFMENT

Feofment by Sir John Scot Knight ... to Thomas Gore of Wyllesbergh, William Brent of Kenyngton, Robert Brent and John Gore of Wyllesbergh aforesaid ... of 11 acres and 3 rods of land and 7 acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rod of meadow with all their appurtenances... lying in two pieces of land and part in the parish of Wyllesbergh... of which 11 acres and 3 rods are lying in one piece, of which a piece called 'Stoniefeld' contains 5 acres and 3 virgates land, and one piece called 'Somerlese' contains 3 acres, one piece called 'Le Park' contains  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres and one piece called 'Iodeacre' contains  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre land... of the aforesaid 7 acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rod land, or meadow, part measuring one acre lies in a meadow called 'helmanmede', part measuring 5 acres in 'Rysshered' and 'Stonyemede', part measuring 3 virgates in 'Middelbroke' and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  rods in 'Masemede'... which said lands were late of the gift of Guy Elys late of Knynghon, now deceased... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD .... unto the said Thomas Gore et al.... forever.. of the chief Lords of the fee....

Dated at Wyllesbergh 4th October 8 Edward IV (1468)

Attached to the seal tag is the major portion of a seal in red wax, c 2.5cms dia. originally, bearing the impression of a bird, statant within a circle.

The witnesses are Richard Elys, Thomas Carter, William Michell, Thomas Perys, Robert atte Welle and many others.