

A SELECTION OF 42 DEEDS RELATING TO VARIOUS PLACES

CARMARTHENSHIRE	1772
CEYLON	1873
CANADA, Guelph, Ontario	1873
HAMPSHIRE	1609
HUNTINGDONSHIRE	1705
INDIA, Calcutta	1819
KENT	1597, 1682, 1703, 1718
LANCASTER	1668, 1754
LINCOLNSHIRE	1667, 1670, 1782, 1793, late 18 th /early 19 th century, 1803
MIDDLESEX	1730
NAPLES, ITALY	1824, 1873
NORFOLK	1577, 1587, 1600, 1600
NORMANDY, Gouffern Abbey	late 12 th century, early 13 th century, 1225, 1275
SHROPSHIRE	1538
SIMLA, WEST INDIES	1873
STAFFORDSHIRE	1620, 1620, 1620
SURREY	1792
SUSSEX	1589
WARWICKSHIRE	1648
WORCESTERSHIRE	1501, 1531, 1790
YORKSHIRE	1408/9, 1838

LEASE

Indenture of three parts dated 1st April 12 George III (1772) BETWEEN the Reverend Thomas Williams, late of Werudduy (?), but now of Pillroath in the county of Carmarthen clerk, prebendary and parson of the parish church, rectory and prebend of Leandugwy in the diocese of St. David's and county of Cardigan of the first part, Thomas Morris heretofore of St. Mary Street, but now of Quay Street in the county and borough of Carmarthen Gentleman of the second part and Thomas David of the parish of Pembryn in the said county of Carmarthen shopkeeper and John Jones of the parish of Pembryn the elder Gentleman of the third part ... WHEREAS in and by an indenture of lease dated 28th November 1764 between the said Thomas Williams of the one part and the said Thomas Morris of the other part IT IS WITNESSED that in consideration of the surrender by Thomas Morris to the said Thomas Williams of a former lease dated 15th April 1751 of the rectory and premises hereinafter mentioned and of a subsequent lease to the said Thomas Morris... made on 29th June 1753 for the adding a new life instead of one of the lives mentioned in the former lease ... And in consideration of the yearly rent therein mentioned.. the said Thomas Williams did demise &c... unto the said Thomas Morris ALL that the rectory, parsonage or prebend of Llandergwy in the county of Carmarthen, with the mansion house of the same, together with all and singular the houses, stables, &c... also all glebe lands &c... TO HOLD to the said Thomas Morris his heirs and assigns from thence forth for the natural lives of Sarah Williams, then about the age of 15 years, daughter of the said Thomas Williams, of John Phillipps clerk, only 5 years, of John Phillipps of Llwynocrwn in the county of Carmarthen clerk, then aged 26 years or thereabouts and of Daniel Lloyd of Laques in the parish of Llanstephan in the said county of Carmarthen Esquire, aged 28 years or thereabouts and the life of the longest liver of them... UNDER payment unto the said Thomas Williams ... of the yearly rent therein... declared ... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that in consideration of a former lease to the said Thomas David and John Jones granted by the said Thomas Williams and Thomas Morris of the said rectory &c.... AS ALSO in consideration of the yearly rents and covenants hereinafter mentioned ... HE the said Thomas Morris... HATH demised, granted, set and to farm let... ALL and singular the tythes, both great and small, belonging to the said rectory &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tythes unto the said Thomas David and John Jones their executors, administrators and assigns from the date hereof for the term of 80 years, if the said lives shall so long live... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore the yearly rent of £130... AND ALSO shall and will from time to time bear pay and discharge all rates, taxes and impositions... which shall be rated &c... upon the said premises... AND ALSO SHALL maintain the chancel of the parish church of Llandugwy and all and every the messuages &c....

Signed: Thomas Morris Thomas David John Jones

Attached to the seal fold of the document are four seals, in red wax, bearing a full armorial achievement. The crest is a sheaf of wheat and the arms are charged with a bend vair or countervair.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Francis James and Thomas Harris.

GUELPH, ONTARIO, CANADA 1873

As before; power of attorney granted to Alfred Turner and Daniel Bell by Charles Edward Armstrong Turner of Guelph, Ontario, Canada, farmer and John Ashworth Nelles and Caroline his wife of Clinton in Canada....

Witnesses: John Dooley of Guelph
Frank de Mierre Turner of London
J.R. Vantassel of Clinton

AUSTRALIND, WESTERN AUSTRALIA 1873

As before; power of attorney granted to Alfred Turner and Daniel Bell by George Eliot and Louisa his wife, William Pierce Clifton, Ellen Clifton, Robert Clifton and Caroline wife of William Clifton, William Clifton, Mary Johnston widow, Charles Clifton, Henry Brown and Lucy his wife, Jervaise Clifton and Worsley Clifton (being with the exception of George Eliot, William Clifton and Henry Brown all children of Waller Clifton and Elinor his wife, both deceased late of Australind in Western Australia)....

Witnesses: Laurence S. Eliot
Emily Jane Vines of Bunelton (?)
J.I. Harris
Richard Gifford
W.H. Timperley
John Adam

CEYLON 1873

As before; power of attorney granted to Alfred Turner and Daniel Bell by Charles Edward Welldon of Ceylon

Witnesses: D.J. Macgregor of Gallaheule (?)
G.A. Talbot

BELISE, BRITISH HONDURAS 1873

As before; power of attorney granted to Alfred Turner and Daniel Bell by Charles Bullen Hugh Mitchell of Belise, British Honduras and Fanny Oakley his wife.....

Witnesses: Ellen Fitzgibbon of Belise
Estanislao Benguche of Belise

CO SOUTHAMPTON

DEED OF BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

1609

Indenture dated 10th January 7 James I BETWEEN **Arthur Bromfield** of Titchfield in the county of Southampton Esquire of the one part and **Henry Knollys** of London Esquire and **Katharine** his wife of the other part.... WITNESSETH THAT THE SAID **Arthur Bromfield** for and in consideration of £1100.... HATH aliened, granted etc to the said **Henry** and **Katharine** all the lands, messuages, tenements and hereditaments with the appurtenances hereinafter mentioned, that is to say.... ALL that one meadow with the appurtenances in North Stonham in the county of Southampton, now or late in the tenure or occupation of **William Coreham** Gentleman, containing by estimation 30 acres and called or known by the name of Shurbridge otherwise Sturbridge Meads.... And ALL those meadow grounds with the appurtenances in North Stonham now or late in the tenure or occupation of **Richard Stringfellow** Gentleman, his assigns or assignees, containing by estimation 20 acres, called or known by the name of Iland Meads.... And ALL that messuage or farm called Chickenhull in North Stonham and all houses, buildings, orchards etc... thereunto belonging, lying and being in the parish of North Stonham, containing by estimation 140 acres.... And ALL those lands and appurtenances called the Park in North Stonham, containing by estimation four score acres of arable land, pasture and wood ground, now or late in the tenure or occupation of **Henry Knollys** Gentleman, father of the said **Henry Knollys** party to these presents and ALL those grounds with the appurtenances in North Stonham aforesaid, containing by estimation 60 acres, now or late in the tenure or occupation of **John Robinson**, called or known by the name of Falkfield... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD of the chief Lord or Lords of the fee.... Unto the said **Henry Knollys** and **Katharine** his wife and to the heirs of the said **Henry** upon the body of the said **Katharine** and for default of issue to the right heirs of the said **Henry** foever.

Signed: **Arthur Bromfield**

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

CO. HUNTINGDON

1705

COLNE

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 1st October 4 Anne (1705) BETWEEN Richard Oliver of Somersham in the county of Huntingdon Gentleman of the one part and Thomas Kealch of the same place innholder of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said Richard Oliver for and in consideration of 5/-... HATH granted, bargained and sold... and to farm let... ALL THAT messuage or tenement with the appurtenances in Somersham, formerly 'Egneys' and before that 'Rawlins'... AND ALSO all that his close of pasture or fenny ground lying within the parish of Colne in the said county of Huntingdon, containing by estimation 7 acres... called by the name of 'great Crambrooke'... all which premises are now in the tenure or occupation of the said Richard Olives his assignee or assignees... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c... unto the said Thomas Kealch his heirs and assigns for the term of six months... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore one pepper corn if lawfully demanded...

Signed: Richard Oliver.

Attached to the seal tag is the fragment of a paper on wax seal. No impression is discernible.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are J. Johnson, Samuel Richardson and John Stoughton.

Indenture tripartite made the 13th November 1819 BETWEEN GEORGE SWINTON of Calcutta in the province of Bengal, esquire, a senior merchant in the service of the united company of merchants of England, trading to the East Indies on their Bengal establishment and secretary to Government in the Persian department of the one part, ANNE ELIZABETH SWINTON of the same place, spinster, daughter of SAMUEL SWINTON also of Calcutta, senior merchant, esquire, in the service of the same company and senior member of the Board of Custom, Salt and Opium at Fort William in Bengal of the second part and WILLIAM SWINTON, a captain in the military service of the said united company on their said Bengal establishment and FRANCIS TIPPING HALL of Calcutta aforesaid, esquire, a member of the firm of Messieurs Palmer & Co. of the third part...whereas a marriage hath been agreed upon...between the said GEORGE SWINTON and ANNE ELIZABETH SWINTON...it has been agreed by the above parties to deposit with SAMUEL SWINTON, WILLIAM SWINTON and FRANCIS TIPPING HALL the sum of sycca Rupees fifty thousand of lawful money of Bengal...to be held by them subject to the several trusts...hereinafter mentioned...and where as the money has been paid over... and where as the said ANNE SWINTON...hath agreed to assign and make over unto the said SAMUEL SWINTON, WILLIAM SWINTON and FRANCIS TIPPING HALL all and singular the monies to which she now is or may hereafter become entitled... now this indenture witnesseth in consideration of the said intended marriage and also in consideration of sycca Rupees 10 of lawful money of Bengal, she the said ANNE SWINTON, with the consent of the said GEORGE SWINTON hath granted, bargained, sold, assigned and set over unto the said SAMUEL SWINTON, WILLIAM SWINTON and FRANCIS TIPPING HALL all and singular the monies &c. and personal property whatsoever which she the said ANNE ELIZABETH SWINTON now has or which she or GEORGE SWINTON, in her right, shall at any time hereafter during the said intended coverture become possessed...to have hold receive &c....but nevertheless upon such trusts as hereinafter declared...(there follow details of numerous covenants &c.).

Signed: GEORGE SWINTON, WILLIAM SWINTON, FRANCIS TIPPING HALL, ANNE ELIZABETH SWINTON and SAMUEL SWINTON.

Five seals in dark red wax are attached to the document, bearing no device.

The witness is G. HAMILTON.

This document is made up of two sheets of parchment, bearing a number of endorsements. The first is dated the 16th February 1833 and mentions CHARLES HOGG, one of the trustees.

This is sealed with two armorial seals, both bearing the charge Per Pale, two bars of the first and a bend of the second.

The document is further endorsed with endorsements dated the 2nd February 1828 and 5th march 1821.

CO. KENT

1597

OBLIGATION

Obligation by John Hills of Greneswic in the county of Kent to William Bygat of Ratcliff in the county of Middlesex ... in the sum of £---- (?), to be paid on the feast of All Saints after the date hereof.... 'Hoc script of London' and if delayed or not paid he places himself in Statute Staple,....

Dated: 17th October 39 Elizabeth (1597)

Signed: John Hilles

Attached to the document are two tongues. The first carries several fragments of one seal, in red wax, c 5cms dia., bearing the impression of a crown above (?) surrounded by a legend; the reverse bears a finger or thumb imprint.

The second seal, also in red wax, c 2.6cms dia., bears the impression of the initials 'I.H.' within a floral display, set within a circle.

CO. KENT

1682

RECEIPT

Know all men by these presents that I Robert Brodnax citizen and haberdasher of London have received and had at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents of and from William Whittall of Wye in the county of Kent Gentleman the full sum of four score and ten pounds ... being consideration mentioned in one indenture of Bargain and Sale inrolled or intended to be inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery bearing date with these presents, to be made between me the said Robert Brodnax and Anne my wife of the one part and the said William Whittall and Ralph Nightingale of Wye aforesaid innholder of the other part, as also in and by one indenture of grant and release also bearing even date ... will appear...

Dated: 20th November 34 Charles II (1682)

Signed: Robert Brodnax.

The witnesses are William Millett and Ric. Blaney.

CO. KENT

1703

OBLIGATION

Obligation by William Caffinch of Stapleton in the county of Kent, yeoman to John Colvill of Cran Crooke in the county of Middlesex, clothier ... in the sum of £40...

Dated: 24th March 3 Anne (1703)

The condition of the obligation is such that if the within bounden William Caffinch shall observe ... certain covenants.. comprised in an indenture of mortgage tripartite of even date ... between Richard Beale of Biddenden, grocer and the said William Caffinch of the first part, the above named John Colvill of the second part and Thomas Boys of Cranbrooke clothier and Susanna his wife of the third part ...

Signed: Will. Caffinch

Attached to the document is a seal, paper on red wax, badly cracked, bearing an impression of an armorial device (?).

The witnesses are Martha Cary and Jacob Hollingworth.

FAVERSHAM

DEED TO LEAD TO THE USES OF A FINE

Indenture dated 22nd December 5 George I (1718) BETWEEN Richard Warham of Wye in the county of Kent yeoman and Martha his wife of the first part, Henry Tilden of the town and liberty of Faversham in the said county of Kent butcher and Elizabeth his wife, Robert Dawne of Faversham aforesaid fisherman and Mary his wife, Martha Kingsland of Faversham widow and John Pullen of St. Margarets in the city of Rochester and county of Kent tailor and Abigail his wife of the second part and Henry Greenstreete of the parish of Preston next Faversham in the said county of Kent yeoman of the third part.. WITNESSETH that for the barring, docking &c... of all and every estate and estates tail ... now in being upon ALL AND SINGULAR the two thirds parts... of several messuages or tenements and hereditaments with the appurtenances hereinafter mentioned and for the further better settling ... the same ... it is mutually covenanted ... between all the said parties ... that they the said Richard Warham and Martha his wife et al... shall and will before the end of Hilary Term next ensuing ... levy ... one fine ... OF ALL those their two thirds part ... of ALL those two messuages or tenements, gardens, backsides, stables, barn, malthouse, &c... together with an orchard thereunto belonging ... containing by estimation 1 acre land ... AND ALSO of all those two thirds parts ... of all that one messuage or tenement, garden, backside and appurtenances thereunto belonging ALL which said premises &c... are situate lying and being in the town and liberty of Faversham in or near a certain street there commonly called 'Court Street' on the East side of the same street... and were heretofore in the several tenures or occupations of James Collen Esquire, Richard Marsh, Thomas Gibbs, John Meers ... and now are in the tenure or occupation of the said Thomas Gibbs, Richard Marsh junior, Luke Bradford, Godfrey Dane and Henry Earle senior...

Signed: Richard Warham and all parties.

Attached to the seal fold are 10 seals, all in red wax, c 1½ cms dia..

The first, that for Richard Warham and Martha his wife, bears the impression of a rose. The second bears the impression of a bird, wings open. These two seals alternate subsequently, the next and third being a rose again and so on.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Ja: Stredwick, Walter Jones, Thomas Smith and John Sparke.

BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

Indenture dated 27th January 1668 BETWEEN John Simpson of Flookburgh in the county of Lancaster, yeoman and William Barrow of Alithwaite in Cartmel and within the said county, yeoman on the one party and Peter Baker of the City of Chester gentleman and Isabell Baker his wife on the other party... WITNESSETH that whereas Robert Barrow late of Borebank in Cartmel aforesaid yeoman deceased and Thomas Barrow his son did by their deed of Bargain and Sale indented and bearing date 14th March 14 Charles II... for the sum of £53... give, grant, alien, bargain, sale, enfeof and confirm to them the said John Simpson and William Barrow their heirs and assigns forever... ALL that their close or closure of arrable land, pasture and waist with the appurtenances called 'the close beneath the house' and all those their woody ground thereunto adjoininge, containing in all by estimation 5½ acres and one whole acre of land lying in the North side of that their close of land called 'Robinhaw'... and also all and singular ways, waists, feedings, pastures &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all the said closes &c... to them the said John Simpson and William Barrow their heirs and assigns forever... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that they the said John Simpson and William Barrow for and in consideration of £53 ... to them in hand paid by the said Peter Baker and Isabell his wife ... HAVE given granted &c... unto them their heirs and assigns forever ALL that their close &c...

Signed: Jo Simpson William Barrow 'I'

The document, which is of paper, has been cut four times at its lower right hand margin. Two small rectangles of paper have been folded over and seals fixed thereon. Both are of red wax, c. 1.4cms dia, but slightly ovate, bearing the impression of the letter 'W A' above a crescent(?).

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are Geo Stainton, Tho Clarson and William Askew.

CO. LANCASTER
HUDDERSFIELD
GENERAL RELEASE

General Release by James Royds of Crook within
Huddersfield in the county of Lancaster husbandman
to Richard Townley of the parish of Rochdale in
the said county Esquire.. of all actions &c which
he ever had against the said Richard Townley from
the beginning of the world until 16th March last...

Signed: James Royds, his mark '+'

Dated: 24th December 1754

Sealed with a paper on wax seal, cut into the
right hand margin of the document and folded over.
No impression is discernible.

The witnesses are Andrew Jacob and Simon Dearden.

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

1667

SWINESHEAD

FINAL CONCORD

Final concord made on the morrow of St Trinity 21 Charles II (1667) between **Alexander Wright** plaintiff and **Cromwell Wollmer** Gentleman and **Elizabeth** his wife, John Smith and **Elizabeth** his wife, **Stephen Wyles** and **Mary** his wife and **William Ryley** defendants to one cottage and 3 acres of land and 17 acres of pasture and common pasture for all beasts in *Swineshead* in *Holland*...

Consideration: Pounds 60

COUNTY LINCOLN

1670

DONNINGTON

FINAL CONCORD

Final concord made in the octaves of St Martin 22 Charles II (1670) between **Henry Pilkington** Gentleman defendant and Valentine Mason and **Sara** his wife, **Richard Shephard** and Nicholas Syms and **Mary** his wife deforciants to one messuage, 10 acres of land, 6 acres of meadow, 10 acres of pasture and common pasture for all manner of beasts in *Donnington in Holland.....*

Consideration : Pounds 60

WIGTOFT MARSH

LEASE FOR ONE YEAR

Indenture dated 24th May 22 George III (1782) between **John Picker** of *Heckington* in the county of *Lincoln*, yeoman, son and heir at law of **John Picker**, late of *Heckington*, deceased, who was the eldest son and heir at law of **John Picker**, formerly of *Heckington*, deceased, who was the eldest son and heir at law of **Henry Picker**, heretofore of *Heckington*, long since deceased of the one part and **James Holbourn** of *Wigtoft* in the county of *Lincoln*, yeoman, of the second part... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of 5/- he the said **John Picker** HATH granted, bargained, sold etc... ALL that piece or parcel of new enclosed land or ground containing by estimation 1 acres 17 perches of land lying and being in a certain place now or lately called *Wigtoft Marsh* in the parish of *Wigtoft*, adjoining on lands of the said **James Holbourn** to the West and South, a certain way or road called *the Drove* towards the North and lands of ----- **Finch** (sic) and **Thomas Wright** late **Nicholas Ayscough** and ----- (sic) his wife towards the East, which land is now in tillage and lies in a certain piece of inclosed parcel of ground belonging to the said **James Holbourn** and the said ----- **Finch** and **Thomas Wright** in the parish of *Wigtoft* and is now in the tenure or occupation of the said **James Holbourn** and was allotted upon inclosure of the marsh to the said **John Picker** party hereto in respect of a tenement or cottage now belonging to the said **John Picker** in the parish of *Wigtoft*... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD for the term of one whole year etc... YIELDING AND PAYING therefore one pepper corn etc...

Signed: **John Picker**

The witnesses are **William Alvey Darwin** of *Sleaford* and **B. Cheales**.

Attached to the paper document is a seal, in red wax, bearing the impression of a man's bust facing the left.

BOURNE / SPALDING

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

Articles of agreement dated 21st May 1783 between **Edward Pressgrave** of the parish of *Bourne* in the county of *Lincoln*, Gentleman, of the one part and **Askew Hillcoat** of the parish of *St George the martyre* in the borrough of *Southwark* in the county of *Surrey* wharfinger of the other part... WHEREAS the said **Edward Passgrave** is possessed of a mortgage of a freehold estate consisting of houses and lands situated at *Bourne* and *Spalding* in the county of *Lincoln* in the several possessions of **Sandall** and others and known by the several names of *the Elephant and Castle* and others for securing the repayment of pounds 400 and interest amounting in the whole to pounds 600 and upwards and the said **Askew Hille** being entitled to a moiety of the aforesaid premises and being desirous of purchasing the other moiety of **Mr Gallyer** hath agreed with the said **Edward Pressgrave** upon full terms ie that if the said **Askew Hille** shall be enabled within 3 months from this day to purchase of the said **Gallyer** his moiety he will pay to the said **Edward** his principal and interest in manner following to wit pounds 200 immediately upon execution of the deeds and further pounds 200 within 10 months from that time and the said **Askew Hille** will enable the said **Edward Pressgrave** by letter of attorney to receive the rents of the said premises until arrears of interest shall be satisfied...

Signed: **Edward Pressgrave** **Askew Hille**

The witnesses are **J (?) Burtor** **Hen Sharfoles (?)**.

Attached to the paper document are two seals, in red wax, bearing an indistinct impression.

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

Late 18th/early 19th C

WIGTOFT

LETTER

Letter from **Mr Palmer** about his estate at *Wigtoft*.

2 acres of pasture of which 2² were the lands of **Jervase Holmes**, lying between the lands of *Mings Green* north and east, *Wigtoft* common marsh south, the glebe lands west, 6 rods of arable land lying in *Benhamfield* in 4 several pieces, 2 acres and 2 rods of pasture lying within 8 acres called *Mings Green*, 1 acre pasture lying between the lands of **Jervase Holmes** south, north and east and John Haynes north west, 2 rods of pasture lying on *Brandam Lane* north, **Holmes** south and **Wright** east and **Blisbury** west, 3 acres of arable land lying in *Hosletfield Holmes* south and **Buttery** north --- and east and **Bennet** west, 1 acre and 3 rods of pasture lying between the lands of --- south, **Harness** west and east, *Swarmeshead field* north, 1 rod of Lee ground lying in *Kempefield Lees* between the lands of **Mr Ellis** east and **J Lindsey** north, 5 acres of pasture lying in the *Northfield hospital* lands of *fosdike* north and south and *Moregate* east, 3 acres of pasture lying on **Mr Ludington's** north, parsonage of *Kirton* south and *Shipe Lane* east and *Moregate* west, 3 rods of arable land in *Green Row field* between the lands of **Molton** east and **Wright** west and **Escough** north and south.

The above is taken from my deeds and is more lands than I found in an old lease of **Huttons** for these lands - are about. 13 acres. So if this will not set you right we must make further inquire as to the mony you have in hand will stay now till the year is up as Lady Day is so soon and hope you will gett my Gents to clear their year's rent as I have been so favourable but if you have a call my way you may putt it in your pockett for mony is always acceptable. I imagine **Mr Stuckley's** bond is paid and the other affair I mentioned is settled. My complymnts to all friends

your ever humble servant,

C Palmer.

WIGTOFT

RELEASE

Indenture dated 7th April 1803 between **George Casswell** of *Wigtoft* in the county of *Lincoln*, grazier of the first part, **Thomas Waite** of *Boston* in the county of *Lincoln*, merchant, **John Casswell** of *Wigtoft*, grazier of the third part and **Samuel Waite** of *Boston*, grocer of the fourth part... WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of £ 600... **George Casswell** HATH released etc... ALL that messuage or tenement and 6 acres, one rod and thirteen perches of pasture in *Wigtoft*, abutting upon the lands belonging to the parsonage of *Wigtoft* in part, lands late of the heirs of **Thomas Sandon** Esquire and now of **John Parcy** in the other part and upon lands of the said **George Casswell** on the other part on or towards the east, upon a common highway in part and upon lands now or late of **John Baxter** in other part on or towards the west upon, upon lands now or late of the said **John Baxter** in part and upon lands of the heirs of the said **Thomas Sandon** and now of **John Parcy** in other part on or towards the north and upon lands of the heirs of **Thomas Waite** on or towards the south, as the same are or late were in the tenure or occupation of **George Casswell**... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said **Samuel Waite** his heirs and assigns TO THE USE of such persons as **John Casswell** shall from time to time appoint... nevertheless... in trust for **John Casswell**.

Siognd: **George Casswell Thomas Waite John Casswell.**

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are **John Waite** and **Thomas Nelsey**, his clerk.

Attached to the seal fold are four selas, in red wax, bearing the indistinct impression of a man's bust, facing the left.

EDMONTON

RELEASE

Indenture tripartite dated 23rd December 1730 between **Felix Feast** of *Chiswell St* in the parish of *St Giles Cripplegate* in the county of *Middlesex* Esquire, son and heir of **Sir Felix Feast**, late of the parish of *Edmonton* als *Edelmeton* in the county of *Middlesex*, knight, deceased and **Dame Anna Feast** of *Chiswell Street* aforesaid, widow, relict of the said **Sir Felix Feast** of the first part, **William Darlington** of the said parish of *St Giles Cripplegate* of the second part and **John Jacob** the elder of *Lothbury* London Esquire and **John Jacob** the younger of *Edmonton* Esquire of the third Part... WHEREAS **John Jacob** the younger hath agreed with the parties of the first part hereto for the absolute purchase of the fee simple and inheritance in possession of the messuage and the lands and hereditaments hereinafter mentioned... NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that in consideration of £ 1050 paid by the said **John Jacob** the elder and **John Jacob** the younger to **Thomas Egerton** of *Peckham* in the county of Surrey Gentleman... at the request and direrction of **Sir Felix Feast** and **Dame Anna Feast** in part of money due to the said **Thomas Egerton** on a mortgage of the lands &c to be granted... and in consideration of 5/- a piece to **Dame Anna Feast** and **William Darlington**... they have granted, bargained, sold etc... ALL THAT messuage known by the name of *Pullhouse* als *Pullhouse Holmes*... wherein one **Edward Edrish** sometime dwelled, heretofore in the occupation of **Jacob Pennington**, afterwards of **Sir Charles Lee** knight, since of **James Mundy** Esquire, serjeant at Law, the **Lady Stapleton** and the said **Sir Felix Feast** and now of the said **John Jacob**... abutting on the highways on the west and south parts and all that orchard and all those gardens formerly a croft of land then called *Tellingscroft* als *Telnigstete*, containing by estimation 4 acres, lying behind the same messuage and all those 2 pieces or parcels of ground containing by estimation 2 ½ acres adjoining to the said messuage heretofore purchased of one **Robert Estrie**, which said messuage &c are situated in the parish of *Edmonton* and are more particularly described in a plan or ground plot thereof hereunto annexed and the pew in the church of *Edmonton*... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said **John Jacob** the elder and **John Jacob** the younger... the property being subject to one annuity or yearly rent charge of £ 20 issuing out of the lands granted ... and payable to **William Darlington** during his life granted by the said **Felix Feast** by indenture dated 24th June 1728... and it is intended that this charge be discharged by **William Darlington** joining in this present grant... the property is also subject to a term of 500 years granted by **Sir Felix Feast** to **Thomas Egerton** by indenture dated 11th May 1726 which term is assigned by indenture of even date to to **Peter Hinde** of the parish of *St Andrews Holborn* in the county of Middlesex brewer in trust to await the freehold and inheritance of the said premises... the property is subject to one further term of 500 years granted by the same parties to **Edward Buckley** Esquire by indenture dated 19th November 1729... as also a further term of 500 years granted by the said parties to **Thomas Bowyer** malster by indeture dated 19th January last past... it being intended that the last two mentioned terms are surrendered herewith to **John Jacob** the elder and **John Jacob** the younger...

Signed: **Felix Feast** **Anna Feast** **William Darlington**, his mark

Attached to the seal fold of the document are the fragments of three seals, in red wax, bearing an armorial impression, which is indistinct.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are **Oxinbridge Harwood** and **Richard Cramlington**

Probate of Will:

William James Turner being in sound mind and good health do declare this my last will and testament. I leave to my natural son Gughilme 500 ounces sicilian money and to Elinora 250 the same to be paid 3 months after my death and out of my property in Palermo I leave to my nephew John Ffielding Turner the use of my capital in the Current rate of Business carried out under the firm of prior Turners and Thomas he paying interest for the same at the current rate of the time to enable him carrying on the business with the same credit the ffirm has always enjoyed and as the benefit which I have enjoyed in this concern has been principally employed for the use of my brother Nicholas family if it is not too much to ask should hope a part of my interest may still be made over to the said G ff Turner for their benefit. this of course can only be a request. I leave to my nephew Charles and William Turner my interest in the Naples concern with the use of my Capital their paying the interest current at the time to enable their carrying on the concern with the same credit it has hitherto enjoyed also my capital in the London ffirm to be given to the above as above recommending Mr. Samuel Prior writing the same and admitting William Turner into Partnership (provided he has not been prior to this time) in which case hope my share may be equally divided. Interest of the above capital at Palermo Naples and London to be paid by my Nephews. I leave as follows to my brother Nicholas for the use of himself and wife one half of the whole and in case of their death to be divided as they may direct for the benefit of their children. in case of the death of eather of my above named nephews the others to have the use of the capitals on same terms and in return for the same I have strongly to recommend their best exertions in supporting their sisters and parents in the same way as I have been doing. the other half of my interest I leave to my sisters Elizabeth and Elinor at the death of the former if single and without ffamily the latter at full liberty to dispose of as she may think fit. I leave to my brother Skinner and Nathaniel £20 each and a ring. also to my sister Fanny £20 and a ring not that I have equal affection for my dear Brothers and Sisters that I make this difference my wish being to add as much as possible to the wants of the needy whereas to those just name would have been of little consequence and truly hope may be satisfied with my decision. I leave to Dr. Serafino Roph if living 100 ounces Sicily for the trouble he has had with my natural children and amark of esteem I have always had for him. In case of separation of partnership with Mr. Prior by eiter of my aforesaid Nephews or all of them which most truly hope may not be the case I leave to my brother Michael and Skinner to decide as they may think for the best relating to the Capital Bequest Mr. Samuel Prior my brother Michael and nephew Charles Turner to accept the trouble of executors to this will. I calculate my present property at about £15000. In the private ledger here will be found a sum against my brother Michael which I declare myself subject to being kept so as an equivalent against sums to equal amt that Mr. Prior is subject to in Palermo and London ffirm. I leave Mr. Prior £20 for mourning and a ring.

Naples 4th March 1824 - William James Turner

NAPLES, ITALY

1873

As before; power of attorney granted to Alfred Turner and Daniel Bell by Mary Maingay of Naples, widow....

Witnesses: Giacomo Weitzeiker da Torre Pellice St. Pinerolo
Pastore Evangelico
Edward Darley of St. Aucca di Palazzo, Naples, merchant

COPY OF A PAPER WRITTEN BY MICHAEL TURNER, DATED Jan 15th 1878

In my tin case will be found a set of bonds given by John Fulling Turner, Charles Turner and William Turner with survivorship.

I think it well to leave some explanation of the particulars thereon.

These bonds spring out of or originated in the execution of our uncle William James Turner of Naples will, who many years ago was closely and intimately connected with our father in commercial and financial affairs, and on their winding up or separating our father became unfortunate in business while our uncle prospered greatly and in his kindness for many years allowed our father on an average £500 per annum: and on his decease he left as the will explains the residue of his capital for the benefit of Michael Turner's family, fixing the use of the capital for the benefit of the three bondsmen and for the support in their integrity of the three houses of business at Naples, Palermo and London. In the course of a few years the Palermo house became deranged, was wound up, and a separation of partnership took place, when J.F. Turner removed into the London House and after a few years more his partner Mr. Samuel Prior died and his capital being withdrawn caused the necessity of the stoppage of the house and brought the Naples house into great difficulty.

About this time an effort was made by reference to lawyers to know whether the bonds could be cancelled but the survivorship prevented any arrangement except by paying them off which the Naples house was then unable to do neither had it been able to pay the interest thereon and all the members of the family kindly declined to apply for it shortly after Charles Turner died leaving the Naples house represented by William Turner, who in a few years became unfortunate, a stoppage showed, which was only removed by the loans of individuals of the family.

Another effort by reference to lawyers was made to cancel the bonds, but it was discovered that claims upon them might arise by minors in consequence of the bonds having been referred to in marriage settlements, and it was decided that nothing could be done but let them run their course when on the demise of the survivor they would be presented against the Naples Estate, when (if able) it would be bound to pay, but if not able 'ex nil nihil venit'. They consequently remain a dead letter still.

COUNTY OF NORFOLK

1408/9

SNETESHAM

FEOFMENT

Feofment by **Matilda** the daughter of **William de Eton (?)** of *Snetesham* to **William de Eton** her father his heirs and assigns of all her right and claim which she has as an heir in one part of a messuage of the said **William** her father of which a certain part lies on the eastern part of the said messuage together with ---- four acres of land lying in a field of *Snetesham* in two parcels...that she has no right to enter into or sell any part of the messuage and land etc.... Dated at *Snetesham* on Monday next after the feast of St Edmund the King and martyre 10 Henry IV (1408/9).

The witnesses are **William Brod**, **Thomas Roo**, senior, **William Kyllingwirthe**, **John Roo**, **Nicholas Mason** and other.

Attached to the document is a seal tag bearing the larger portion of a seal.

TYVETTESHALL

BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

Grant by **Thomas Thetford** of *Kettringham* in the county of Norfolk, gentleman, for a certain sum of money, to **John Freman** of *Tyvetteshall* in the said county, yeoman, of one inclosure containing by estimation 9 acres of land or pasture, lying and being in *Tyvetteshall* between the lands of **Robert Murrell** then on the south side, formerly on the north and abutting upon the Queen's highway there towards the east and upon the land of **Arthur Heveningham** Esquire called *Dawlines* towards the west, which said inclosure the said **Thomas Thetford** late amongst other lands and tenements had by the gift, grant and charter of **William Aylmer** Esquire, son and heir of **Alexander Aylmer** Esquire as by a certain charter then made and dated 1st March 12 Elizabeth appears.... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the use of **John Freman** his heirs and assigns forever of the chief Lord of that fee, by service and rent of 9d per annum.

Dated 1st November 19 Elizabeth (1577).

Signed: **Thomas Thetford**

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are **Nathaniel Smyth** and **John Knight**.

COUNTY OF NORFOLK

1600

TIVETTESHALL

BARGAIN AND SALE

Feofment by **John Freman** of *Tivetteshall* in the county of *Norfolk* yeoman to **Robert Freman** his son for an undisclosed sum of money of one close containing by estimation 9 acres of land or pasture lying and being in *Tivetteshall* between the lands late of **Robert Murrell** towards the south and abutting upon the Queen's highway there towards the east and upon land late of **Arthur Heveningham** knight called *Dawlines* towards the west which which close together with its appurtenances the said **John** late had by the gift and grant confirmed by charter of **Thomas Thetford** gentleman as per a certain charter late to him made dated 1st November 19 Elizabeth (1577) to have and to hold to the said **Robert Freman** and his assigns to the sole use of the said **Robert Freman** his heirs and assigns of the chief Lords of that fee forever by service and the rent of 9d yearly.

Dated 10th September 42 Elizabeth (1600).

Signed: On the seal tag with the initial 'A'.

Attached to the seal tag is a seal.

TIVETTESHALL

BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

Bargain and sale with feofment from **John Freman** of *Tivetteshall* in the county of Norfolk, yeoman, for a certain sum of money, to his son **Robert Freman** of one inclosure of land, containing 9 acres of land or pasture, lying and being in *Tivetteshall*, between the lands late of **Robert Murrell** then on the south side, formerly on the north and abutting upon the Queen's highway there towards the east and upon land late of **Arthur Heveringham** Knight called *Dawlines* towards the west, which said inclosure the said **John** late had given him by gift and grant and charter confirmed by **Thomas Thetford**, gentleman, which charter was made and dated 1st November 19 Elizabeth... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said **Robert Freman** and his assigns... of the chief Lord of that fee and paying 9d rent per annum.

Dated 10th September 42 Elizabeth (1600).

The names of the witnesses are given on the dorse. They are **Steven Freman, Bartholemew Freman, Thomas Freman and Robert Neave.**

25
GOUFFERN, NORMANDY, FRANCE.

late 12th Century

Grant by the Abbott and Convent of St. Andrew of Gouffern to FROMUND the son of DAVID and his heirs forever as a hereditament a certain tenement or dwelling house which they possess in the town of Moreriis abutting onto the inn of Durand and the land adjoining belonging to the said tenement or dwelling house... the said FROMUND and his heirs to pay to the Abbott and Convent annually at the feast of St. Remigius 5s.0d. and one whole days work in the hay fields...and it is granted to the same FROMUND and MABILE his wife to join the fraternity and community...

Dated late 12th Century.

The witnesses are WILLIAM DE MONTILL, Prior of the house, RICHARD DE LOGH, sellerar, ROBERT DE BOSSENDAL...IRNADO DE CISERO, HUGH DE MASCUL...

Notarial annotations are made the length of the left hand column. This manuscript would appear to have belonged to the cotte manuscript collection, manuscript number 70.

The seal is lacking.

GOUFFERN, NORMANDY, FRANCE.

early 13th Century

Grant by ROBERT MARMIUM for the salvation of his soul and the souls of all his ancestors to the well beloved brothers of the Abbey and Monastery of St. Andrew of Gouffern...of all that his passage and tolls...

Dated early 13th Century.

Attached to the document by its original plated cord and contained in a medieval cloth seal bag is a large fragment of an equestrian seal, in dark green wax.

25
Grant by SIR ROBERT MARMION Knight for the salvation of his soul and the souls of his ancestors and successors...to the Abbott and the Monks of St. Andrew of Gouffern as of confirmation the gift of his father ROBERT MARMION...60s.Od. of rent yearly in Breteville &c....

Dated the month of May 1225.

Attached by its original parchment seal tag is a seal, ca. 2cms. dia., in black wax, bearing a fine impression of an eight pointed star, surrounded by a legend. A finger imprint is still clearly distinguishable on the reverse of the seal.

This manuscript would also appear to have belonged to the cotte manuscript collection, also bearing manuscript number 70.

26
Grant by RALPH DE BARON Knight to the Abbott and Convent of St. Andrew of Gouffern of the Cistercian Order one vineyard which he bought of WILLIAM DE DUMO...

Dated 1275.

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

CLARLEY

View of frank pledge with the court of Sir Humphrey Fferreys knight there held on the day next after the feast of the annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 29 Henry VIII (1538)...to this court came William Cylllyngsley attorney of William Rowlowe of Wyken who testified that William Barker had surrendered into the hands of the Lord of the Manor one toft and a half a virgate of land with their appurtenances in Dadycote to the use and behoof of William Rowlowe his son and Frances his wife and the heirs and assigns of the same William Rowlowe forever...and the steward of the manor granted the said toft and half a virgate of land to the said William Rowlowe and Frances his wife...in perpetuity...paying the rents and suit of court customarily demanded...and they gave as a fine 5s. 4d. and pledged fealty to the Lord of the Manor and were admitted tenants...dated as above and given under the seal of Roger Sparry then steward there.

The document carries a tongue, although the seal is lacking. The tie wrap has also been cut into the document.

TO ALL to whom these presents shall come I Frank Turner of Simla in the East Indies C.B. a major-General in the Royal Artillery send greeting..

Whereas William James Turner formerly of Naples deceased by his will which was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on the 13th May 1825 gave to his nephews John Fulling Turner Charles Turner and William Turner the use of his Capital in his several houses of business in Palermo Naples and London they paying interest thereon.... AND WHEREAS in the month of may 1827 an account was taken of such capital and the amount settled at £12000 and the said John Fulling Turner Charles Turner and William Turner on the 14th May 1827 entered into a bond with Daniel Bell then the younger and Michael Turner the younger to secure the payment to them of the said sum of £12000 after the death of the survivor of the said three obligors.... AND WHEREAS the said obligors were unsuccessful in business and the whole of the capital so left with them became absolutely lost the houses at Palermo and London were wound up altogether without assets and that at Naples carried on with the assistance of borrowed capital from other sources by the said Charles and William Turner. The said Charles Turner has been dead for some years. The said John Fulling Turner is of weak mind and body without pecuniary means and the said William Turner also states himself to be in straitened circumstances entirely without the means to pay any part of the monies due on the said bond in respect of which no interest has been paid upwards of 15 years last past AND WHEREAS all parties beneficially interested in the monies secured by the said Bond with a view to relieve the obligors and the surviving Trustee the said Daniel Bell of all further liability and responsibility in respect thereof and to prevent litigation between the family from which it is believed no beneficial result could possibly be obtained have agreed to execute a release and discharge to the said Obligors and their estate in respect of all monies due or to become due under such bond and also to release the said Daniel Bell as such surviving Trustee from all responsibility in respect thereof and of the Trusts of the said Indenture. AND WHEREAS I am one of the parties beneficially interested in the monies secured by the said Bond and have perused and approved a draft copy of the said release NOW KNOW YE that I the said Frank Turner do hereby constitute and appoint my brother Alfred Turner of Belvidere in Kent Esq. and Daniel Bell the younger of Adams Court Old Broad Street London Stock Broker (son of the said Daniel Bell the Trustee) jointly and severally my true and lawfull attornies that either of them may and shall for me and in my name execute the said release and discharge to the said obligors and the said Daniel Bell as Trustee in respect of such Bond debt and interest for the purpose of freeing them and him from all present and future claim demand and responsibility in respect thereof as they or either of them my attornies may be advised as necessary to effect and release...

Signed: Frank Turner, Major General

Wit.: Mr.(?) Lowis, Capt. R.A.

J.R. Salmon Regt. O.O. Registrar Ordenance Officer.

FEOFMENT WITH BARGAIN AND SALE

Indenture dated 18th October 12 James I ... BETWEEN George Tremlowe of Wolstanton in the county of Stafford, mylnestone carryer of the one part and William Tremlowe the younger, son of the said George of the other part ... WITNESSETH that the said George Tremlowe for the natural love and affection which he beareth to the said William his son &c... hath granted, bargained, sold &c... all that one dwelling house called 'the newe buildinge' situated and being in Talke upon the Hill in the said county of Stafford... late in the tenure or occupation of George Tremlowe of Talke aforesaid husbandman and all those three crofts and one part of a wood as the same are now divided and also the upper part of the meadow adjoining... which said premises are situated in the hamlet of Talke and were late parcel of the tenement of the said George Tremlowe of Talke... all which the said George Tremlowe did late purchase to him and his heirs forever of Rauffe Smeyde of Keele in the said county Esquire and William Smeyde, then son and heir apparent of the said Rauffe and now deceased... PROVIDED that if the said William Tremlowe hereafter during his life time to have no issue of his body lawfully begotten ... that then the said William Tremlowe shall not alien give or convey the premises or any part thereof to any person other than to the brethren or sisters of the said William Tremlowe...

Signed: + in red ink.

Attached to the document by its original seal tag is a seal, wrapped in a linen bag. No attempt has been made to undo the stitching of the bag and see whether the seal bears an impression.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are George Tremlowe, Andrew Tremlowe, John ---- de Hardinge, William Colilange (?), carpenter and Thomas Beeche clerk.

BARGAIN AND SALE, WITH FEOFMENT

I George Tremlowe of Buttryhurshe in Funstall (?) in the county of Stafford, yeoman... in consideration of £40 ... have granted, sold, bargained &c... to William Tremlowe^{his son} his heirs and assigns all that cottage or tenement ... in which George Tremlowe of Talke, husbandman now dwells and also all that parcel of land with a garden with the appurtenances ... lying between 'le old cottage and les neue buyldings' and those five closes of meadow pasture &c... now in the tenure of Robert Shawe and his assigns as they are now divided and two ---- meadow and days meadowing existing in 'le lower end of same meadow there called 'le medowe'' as it is now divided ... lying and existing in Talke aforesaid ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said William Tremlowe his heirs and assigns forever...

Signed: said Georg de Brerdhurst X

Dated : 1st December 18 James I (1620)

Attached to its original parchment tag is a seal, contained in a linen bag. No impression is discernible.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are George Tremlowe, Richard Sharpe, Thomas Beech clerk, John Drakeford, John Tremlowe, Andrew Tremlowe the younger.

BARGAIN AND SALE, WITH FEOFMENT

I George Tremlowe of Buttryhurshe in Funstall (?) in the county of Stafford, yeoman... in consideration of £40 ... have granted, sold, bargained &c... to William Tremlowe his heirs and assigns all that cottage or tenement ... in which George Tremlowe of Talke, husbandman now dwells and also all that parcel of land with a garden with the appurtenances ... lying between 'le old cottage and les neue buyldings' and those five closes of meadow pasture &c... now in the tenure of Robert Shawe and his assigns as they are now divided and two ---- meadow and days meadowing existing in 'le lower end of same meadow there called 'le medowe'' as it is now divided ... lying and existing in Talke aforesaid ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said William Tremlowe his heirs and assigns forever...

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COUNTY OF SURREY

1792

GODALMING

LEASE FOR A YEAR

Indenture dated 27th March 1792 between **Samuel Roberts** of *Godalming* in the county of Surrey Barge Master, but now of *Sheire* in the said county, farmer of the first part and **Edmund Yalden** of *Godalming*, gentleman of the other part... WITNESSETH that for an in consideration of 5/- he the said **Samuel Roberts** HATH granted etc... all that messuage or tenement and garden formerly called *the White Horse* and since *the Swan* and late *the King's Head* lying in the town of *Godalming* in or near a certain street there called *Church Street* and late in the occupation of **Elizabeth Hooke** before of **Joseph Hooke** and since in the tenure of **Betty Jarratt** and **William Page** and now of **John Tiercroft** and **David Coles** and the said **Edmund Yalden**... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD for the term of one whole year... YIELDING AND PAYING THEREFORE one pepper corn if lawgully demanded.

Signed: **Samuel Roberts.**

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in red wax, bearing no discernible impression.

The names of the witnesses are given on the dorse. They are **Mary Mitchell** and **Ada Cox.**

LAMBERHURST

BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

Bargain and sale with feofment from **John Grey** of *Lamberhurst* in the county of Kent bricklayer on behalf of **John Grey** through **John Hale** of *Lamberhurst* in the county of Sussex wilewrighte to **John Hale** of a messuage with garden adjoining and a cottage with garden adjoining known by the name of *Tulsham* situated in the town of *Lamberhurst* in the said county of Sussex, to wit, to the lands etc as before

Dated 10th November 31 Elizabeth (1589)

Signed: **John Gray**

The witnesses are **Francis (?) Dyne, John Austen, Henry Cheassman, ----- Were and Richard Raven.**

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

LAMBERHURST

BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

Bargain and Sales with feofment from **John Grey** of *Lamberhurst* in the county of Kent bricklayer to **John Austen** of *Lamberhurst* of all that his messuage and barn called *Tulsham* with a garden adjoining and one cottage and garden adjoining called by the name of *Tulsham* situate lying and being in the town of *Lamberhurst* in Sussex, to wit, to lands called *wyges meade* towards the east, to lands of **William Kenwarde** towards the west and south and towards the Queen's highway leading towards *Lamberhurstbridge* as far as *Lamberhurst Downe* towards the north containing by estimation 1 ½ acres... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD to the said **John Austen** his heirs and assigns forever of the chief Lords of that fee

Dated 15th March 1587.

Signed: **John Gray.**

The witnesses are **Thomas Stonar (?)** and **Salomon Were.**

Indenture made the fourth of March in the twenty-third year Charles I (1648)...between Joane Payton of Cobley in the parish of Tardebig in the county of Warwick widow of the one part and Richard Payton of Tardebig aforesaid yeoman, son of the said Joane, on the other part...witnesses that the said Joane, for the natural love &c. she beareth towards the said Richard...hath given, granted and confirmed...unto the said Richard Payton...all her goods, corn, cattle and chattels whatsoever...within doors or without (except the rent as she hath reserved to her and her assigns during her life out of a farm called "Wali Ffarme" otherwise known as Sidnoll Grange and all her wearing apparel and furniture to her belonging and also the one half of all her household goods)...to have and to hold...to the said Richard...forever...

Signed: The mark of Joane Payton.

The seal tag is lacking.

The witnesses names are given on the dorse. They are Henry Herson, Francis Ffielld, Alis Payntor.

OBLIGATION

Obligation by Thomas Cokys of Shiltwod in the county of Worcester husbandman, William Pachett of Bromsgrove in the county aforesaid 'whalere' and Henry Walsted of Bromsgrove mercer ... to Thomas Gybson of Lyne within the hundred of Bromsgrove and Thomas Colyns of Kyngs Norton ... in the sum of £40 ... payable on the feast day of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary next ...

Dated: 10th January 16 Henry VII (1501)

The conditions of the obligation are such that if Thomas Cokys surrender at the court of Tardebigge all such lands and tenements as the said Thomas purchased of John Hays, late deceased, lying in Copley and to make or cause to make a sure and sufficient estate to Harry Cokys, son of the said Thomas, of all those lands and tenements lying in Copley.. either at the court held at Tardebigge at the feast of the Annunciation next coming or at the court held at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next ... then this said present obligation to be void

Attached to the three tongues of the document are three seals. The first, in red wax, c 1cm dia., bears the impression of a cross.

The second, also in red wax, bears a fragment of a seal with the initial 'R' remaining.

The third, in red wax, c 1 cm dia., bears the impression of the letter 'I', surmounted by a crown.

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Richard Blyke of Bromsgrove in the county of Worcester merchant to John Ludford of Wethruton of the county aforesaid Gentleman and Thomas Ludford, son and heir of William Ludford, John Blakenall of Sheldon and John Jeffrey... of all lands, tenements, pastures &c... in the fee or the lordship of Lee in the county of Worcestershire and also to the said John et al... all lands and tenements ... in Schildon aforesaid in the county of Warwick... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... of the chief Lord of the fee... forever...

Dated at Lee and Scheldon 22nd January 22 Henry VIII (1531)

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

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are John de Bradelay of Bromsgrove, William Ley of the same place, John Saint (?), Thomas ----- (?), Thomas Jeffrey and Thomas Jeffrey junior, Griffith Thomas, William Bayey (?), William Culle (?) ----- John Jeffrey, Henry Couper of Sheldon and many others.