KENT

Feofment by John the son of John Dreylond of Feversham to John atte Merssh and Juliana his wife... of one messuage and three acres of land with the appurtenances... situated in the parish of Harenhull at Bergate... between the lands of John Howe towards the East and lands of the heirs of Richard Symon towards the South and land of John Broke towards the North and lands of the convent of Faversham towards the West... to have and to hold... of the chief Lords of the fee... forever...

Dated at Harenhull, 10th December 6 Henry IV (1404/5)

The witnesses are <u>John Boteler</u>, <u>Thomas Chicche</u>, <u>Henry Bedell</u>, <u>Stephen Bergate</u>, <u>John Broke</u> and others...

Attached by its original parchment tag is a seal, in red wax, depicting a kite-shaped shield, bearing a lion rampant surrounded by crosses. A legend surrounds, but is not legible, due in part to damage to the edge of the seal.

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Luce Rogers, son and heir of John Rogers, late of Faversham in the county of Kent ... to John Hampton and Henry Hatche, Richard Collivell, Richard Maycott and John Seth of all that one piece or parcel of land called 'le Tento croft', lying and being within the town and liberty of Faversham aforesaid, adjoining the principal messuage of the said John Hampton in 'le West Strete' in the parish of Ospringe... to wit to a common watercourse there towards the South, towards the wharf of the dean and canons of the free chapel of King St. Stephen's Westminster called 'quenes wharf' towards the East, to --- of Nicholas Burwasshe and to a garden of the heirs of Robert Sale, late William Whitehorn in the right of his wife, to a garden of William Norton Gentleman and to a garden adjoining to the principal messuage of the said John Hampton towards the South and to a garden of William Bourne towards the West (which is to the use of John Hampton) ... which came to the said Luce Rogers after the death of the said John his father as a hereditament...

Dated: The day before the last day of October 24 Henry VIII (1532)

Attached to the seal tag is the fragment of a seal, in black wax.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are Robert Maycote Esq., William Norton Gent., John Sampson, Thomas Marten and William Montague and others.

<u>CO. KENT</u> <u>1558</u>

FEOFMENT

Feofment by John Stransham of Syttyngborn in the County of Kent to William Neal of Ffaversham in the aforesaid county... of all that his messuage or tenement and two gardens adjacent, situate lying and being within the town and liberty of Ffaversham aforesaid in a street there commonly called 'le West Stryte' to wit to the Queen's highway there to the North, to a messuage of the heirs of John Robynson to the South and West and to a tenement and garden of the heirs of Thomas Smyth to the East, which said messuage &c. the said John Stransham late had to himself and his heirs by the gift and feofment of Robert Seyntleger, and which the said Robert Seyntleger had by the gift and feofment of Edward Gayle, while he lived of Faversham... To have and to hold the said messuage &c. unto the said William Neal his heirs and assigns forever... of the chief lords of the fee ...

Dated: 14th June 1 Elizabeth (1558)

Signed: John Stransham

Attached to the document by its seal tag is the fragment of a seal, in red wax, the design not being distinct.

The witnesses are given on the dorse of the document. They are: Thomas Stransham, Richard Driland, Thomas Ffynch, Henry Fylpot and George Mycholson.

<u>CO. KENT</u> <u>1564</u>

FEOFMENT

Feofment by William Neale, one of the jurats of the town and liberty of Faversham in the county of Kent, in consideration of a certain sum of money, to Thomas Todd of the town and liberty of Faversham aforesaid, baker and Joan his wife of all those two messuages or tenements and two gardens situate lying and being together within the town and liberty of Faversham in a street there commonly called 'le Westreate' to wit to the Queen's highway there towards the North, to the messuage and garden of Thomas Todd towards the West and to lands of the heirs of John Robynson towards the South and to the tenement and garden of Henry Bonde towards the East... which... were late purchased of John Stransham ... as may appear from a deed dated at Faversham on 14th June l Elizabeth... to have and to hold... forever... of the chief Lords of the fee...

Dated at Faversham 6th December 7 Elizabeth (1564).

Signed with the mark 'M' of William Neale

Attached to the seal tag of the document is a seal, in dark red wax, c. 2.7 cms. dia., bearing a fine impression of the initials 'W N', within a delicate floral bordure.

The names of the witnesses, given on the dorse, are $\underline{\text{William Mann}}$, Thomas Brown and Robert Colwell.

CO. KENT 1564/5

FINAL CONCORD

Villat de Faversham, co. Kent

This is the final concord in the court of Portmoot dated 14th December 7 Elizabeth... at the court of Henry Philpot mayor of the town of Faversham aforesaid, Edward Blackwell, John Best, John Wrenk and Robert Colewell, jurats of the same town and others then there present... between Thomas Todd of the town aforesaid, barber and Joan his wife qr. and William Neal and and Alice his wife def. of two messuages or tenements and two gardens to the same messuage or tenement belonging and lying in the town aforesaid in a certain road there called 'le Westreate'... to wit to the Queen's road there to the North, to a messuage and garden of the said Thomas Todd to the West, to lands of the heirs of John Robinson to the South and to a tenement and garden of Henry Bonde to the East...

Consideration: £35 sterling...

Endorsed:

for the lytell howses on the south side of the Westrayd in Faversham for James Evernden.

FINAL CONCORD

The Town of Faversham in the county of Kent:

Final concord ... in the court of Portmoote ... dated 14th December 7 Elizabeth (1564) ... at the court of Henry Philpott, mayor of the town of Faversham, Edward Blackwell, John West, John Wrenk and Robert Colwell Jurats of the same and others then and there present ... BETWEEN Thomas Todd of the town aforesaid baker and Joan his wife quer. and William Neale and Alice his wife def. ... of two messuages or tenements and two gardens to the same belonging ... lying and existing within the town aforesaid in a certain lane commonly called 'le Weststreate' to wit to the Queen's highway there towards the North, to a messuage and garden of the aforesaid Thomas Todd towards the West, to lands of the heirs of John Robynson towards the South and to a tenement and garden of Henry Bonde towards the East... Consideration: £35 sterling.

KENT 1564

BOND

Bond by John Stransham of Syttyngborn in the County of Kent, Gentleman to William Neale of the town and liverty of Faversham in the said county, yeoman.... in the sum of £20.

Dated 5th December 7 Elizabeth I (1564)

Signed: John Stransham

The witnesses are Thomas Stransham and Robert Fagg

Attached to the tongue of the document is the major portion of a seal, in red wax, and within an oval is the fine impression of a seated figure (facing left, arms outstretched...

The condition of the bond is such that, whereas <u>John Stransham</u> in his deed poll dated 14th June I Elizabeth I did give, grant &c. unto <u>William Neale</u> his two messuages or tenements and two gardens ... lying and being... in the said town and liberty of Faversham in a streat there commonly called Westrete... if <u>Barabara</u> now wife of the said <u>John Stransham</u> shall not ... after the <u>death</u> of the said <u>John claim</u>, challenge, demand &c. the dowery right... of and in the said two messuages... that this present obligation to be void...

OBLIGATION

Obligation by <u>John Keyes</u> of the ville of Faversham in the county of Kent Gentleman ... to <u>John Trowth</u> of the same place waterman... in the sum of 20 marks...

Dated: the last day of November 20 Elizabeth (1577)

Signed: John Keys

The witnesses are <u>John Hud---</u> (?), <u>Nich Bull</u>, <u>Humfrey Kybbett</u>, <u>Nich Clerke</u>, <u>John Burges</u>, <u>John Mychell</u>, <u>Thomas Hodge</u>.

The seal is missing from the tongue of the document.

The condition of the obligation is such that whereas the said John Keyes hath given granted &c. by his deed poll dated of even date herewith ... to the said John Trowth his heirs and assigns ... all that his messuage called 'the longe Stoorehouse', with one garden or little piece of land to the said messuage belonging... together with the appurtenances... situate, lying and being within the town and liberty of Faversham at a certain place there called 'the Key', containing in the whole by estimation two 'dayewarks' and three perches of land.. which said premises were late of Henrie Hatches of Faversham aforesaid while he lived merchant and which were late purchased of the Mayor and Jurats of Faversham ... and John Keyes also agrees and covenants to keep harmless the said John Trowth ... against one Anne Keyes now the wife of the aforesaid John Keyes... and for her dower ... after the death of John Keyes...

<u>KENT</u> <u>1584</u>

Bargain and Sale with feofment by <u>James Evernden</u> of the parish of Loose in the county of Kent, fuller... for a certain sum of money to <u>John Lelysden</u> of the town and port of Faversham in the said county, myller and <u>Mariane</u> his wife those two messuages or tenements with their gardens and with all and singular their appurtenances... lying and being together within the town and liberty of Faversham in a certain place there called 'le Weststreate' on the South side, to the West to a lane there, to the North to a tenement and garden of <u>Thomas Burte</u>, to the East to lands of <u>Sir Thomas Sondes Knight</u> to the South and to a tenement and garden of mke the said <u>John Evernden</u> to the West ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said messuage &c. to the said <u>John Lelysden</u> and <u>Mariane</u> his wife during the term of their natural lives... and after their decease to remain to Robert their son...

Dated at Faversham 20th December 27 Elizabeth I (1584)

Signed: James Everdyne

Attached to its original seal tag is a seal, in red wax, c. 2>5cms>dia., bearing the impression of a device containing the letters
'C W' in a circle, and a display of branches.

The names of the witnesses, given on the dorse, are Robert Colwell, John Borns (?), John Burt, John Wylland, Richard Hilles and Humfry Loves.

OBLIGATION

Obligation by <u>James Evernden</u> of the parish of Loose in the county of Kent, fuller .. to <u>John Lelisden</u> of the town and liberty of Faversham in the county aforesaid, miller in the sum of £80...

Dated: 2nd December 27 Elizabeth (1584)

Signed: James Everdyne

The witnesses are Richard Walleys and Alexander Norwood.

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2.5cms dia., slightly chipped along its edges, but not affecting the central impression which is of a bird statant, wings displayed.

The condition of the obligation is such that if the said John Lelisden, Maryan his wife and Robert Lelisden his son and heir may forever hold and enjoy two messuages or tenements and their gardens ... situated within the town and liberty of Faversham in a certain street there called 'Weastreate' on the South part of the same street according to one deed dated of even date with this present writing... and also if the said James Evernden and Elizabeth his now wife do within one whole year next after the date within written acknowledge one fine &c... before the Mayor and Jurats of the same town &c... that then this present obligation to be void &c....

OBLIGATION

Obligation by James Evernden of the parish of Lose in the county of Kent, fuller to John Lellisden of the town and liberty of Faversham, miller.. in the sum of £80...

Dated: 20th December 27 Elizabeth (1584)

Signed: James Everdyne

Attached to the tongue of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2.6cms dia., the left side slightly chipped, bearing the impression of a bird, facing the left, wings open, contained within a circle.

The witnesses are Rich Walley and Alex Norwood.

The condition of the obligation is such... that if John Lellisden, Maryon his wife and Robert his son and his heir may forever enjoy two messuages or tenements and their gardens &c... within the town and liberty of Faversham, in a certain street there called 'Weststreate', on the South side of the same street... according to one deed... and also if the said James Evernden and Elizabeth his now wife do within one whole year next ... acknowledge one fine ... then the said obligation to be void &c....

FINAL CONCORD

FAVERSHAM - PORTMOOT:

28 Elizabeth ... before the court of Thomas Barmynge mayor of Faversham and Thomas Barmynge Myas, Robert Dane, Nicholas Upton Jurats ...

Between John Lelysden and Marian his wife and Robert Lelysden quer. and James Evernden and Elizabeth his wife, Thomas Joyce and Margaret his wife and John Joyce junior and Meriam his wife def. ... of 3 messuages and 3 gardens with the appurtenances ... situated and existing within the town and liberty of Faversham aforesaid and within the jurisdiction of the same ... in a certain road there commonly called 'le Westestreete'... to wit to a tenement of John Burte towards the East, to the King's road there towards the North and to lands of Sir Thomas Sond Knight towards the West and South...

Consideration: £40.

BARGAIN AND SALE

Indenture dated 13th June 28 Elizabeth (1586) BETWEEN Francis Giles of Chelfelde in the county of Kent, Gentleman of the one party and Thomas Swaineton of Davington in the county aforesaid, yeoman of the other party... WITNESSETH that the said Francis Giles ... HATH bargained and sold ... all that his miety and parte of all his capital messuage with a garden thereto adjoining ... the moiety of all that little tenement with a garden thereto adjoining... the moiety of all that piece or parcel of land called 'the Taintor's Crofte' with all.and singular the appurtenances ... set lying and being in the town and liberty of Faversham... in Weststreete there and in the parishes of Faversham and Ostespringe ... late in the tenure or occupation of one William Hampton and one Simon a shoemaker in an ample and large manner as one Cassian Cowper citizen and skinner of London bargained and sold the same unto Francis Giles by his indenture bearing date 27th July 24 Elizabeth and the said Francis doth promise to deliver to the said Thomas on or before 25th December next all writings, evidence &c... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said capital messuage &c... unto the said Thomas his heirs and assigns forever ...

Signed: Francis Giles

Attached to the seal tag is the major portion of a seal, in red wax, c 2.5cms dia., bearing the worn impression of a device which is not distinct. This within a round pleated border.

The witnesses are John Edwardes and John Lane, scribe.

FEOFMENT

Feofment by Isaac Tyllman of the parish of Congleton in the county of Chester, Gentleman, a son of Nicholas Tyllman senior of the parish of Sellyng in the county of Kent while he lived Gentleman... to William Tyllman of the town and liberty of Faversham in the said county of Kent, Gentleman ... of all and singular his lands, pasture, meadow, wood, tenements and hereditaments with the appurtenances, situate, lying and being in the parish of Beatherysden, lyttle Chart and hootheffyelde in the said county, which he late had of the said Nicholas Tyllman his father and which the said Nicholas Tyllman his father gave him as per his last will and testament dated 12th January 1568 ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said William Tyllman his heirs and assigns forever ... and the said Isaac Tyllman appoints Edward Tyllman of the parish of Sellyng his attorney to deliver seisin ...

Dated: 1st January 31 Elizabeth (1588)

Signed: <u>Isaac Tilman</u>

Attached to the original seal tag is the major portion of a seal, in red wax, bearing no visible impression.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are Edward Tyllman, Richard Tyllman, David Evans and Humfrey Kybbett.

Livery of seisin is also given on the dorse, dated 20th January 31 Elizabeth (1588). The witnesses to this are Edward Tyllman, Robert Hogben, Robert Sander and John Melsted.

The ref no EM 358 is also given on the dorse.

BARGAIN AND SALE WITH FEOFMENT

Indenture dated 24th June 32 Elizabeth (1590) BETWEEN William Trowth of Faversham in the county of Kent, sailor son and heir of John Trowth, late of Faversham aforesaid sailor, deceased of the one part and Thomas Paul of Wapping in the county of Middlesex, locksmith of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said William Trowth for and in consideration of £26 ... HATH given granted &c ... unto the said Thomas Paul ... ALL those two messuages or tenements and grounds thereunto belonging with the appurtenances, situate lying and being nigh Faversham Key in Faversham aforesaid, now in the several tenures or occupations of James Bacon, butcher, Dorothie Clark, widow and of the said William Trowth ... TO HAVE AND TO Hold ... to the said Thomas Paul, his use and behoof forever ...

Signed: William Trowth.

QUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by Thomas Pawle of the parish of St. George the Martyre in Southwarke in the county of Surrey, locksmythe to Thomas Hale of Faversham in the county of Kent, clothworker in and to two messuages or tenements and one close of land containing by estimation one virgate of land with the appurtenances, situate lying and being in Faversham aforesaid at a certain place called there the Keye', which said messuage or tenement was late of William Trowte and after of John Trowte and after John Keyes and after the mayor, jurats and comonality of the town of Faversham and after Henry Hatcheand was called 'le longegstorehouse'...

Dated 6th July 9 James 1 (1611)

Signed: Thome Pawle

Attached to the document by its original parchment seal tag is a seal in dark red wax, rather coarsely produced, bearing the impression of a number of horisontal bars.

The names of the witnesses given on the dorse are $\frac{\text{Thomas Fox}}{\text{and Robert Lellesden.}}$

OBLIGATION

Obligation by Edward Wharrall of Faversham in the county of Kent wood merchant to James Hales of the same place, baker... in the sum of £100...

Dated: 3rd December 1649

Signed: Edw Wharell

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

The witnesses are Francis Estwicke and Thomas Sowthouse.

The condition of the obligation relates to covenants contained in one pair of indentures of Bargain and Sale between the above parties...

<u>CO. KENT</u> <u>1663</u>

OUITCLAIM

Quitclaim by John Kerby of the City of Canterbury, cordwayner and Prudence his wife... for and in consideration of the sum of fill... to James Hales of Faversham in the county of Kent, mariner in and to all the state, right and title... of and in... ALL that one full and equal one third part... of and in ALL those two messuages or tenements and gardens with their appurtenances lying together, situate lying and being within the town and liberty of Faversham near the key there, one whereof is now in the tenure or occupation of John Chambers or of his assigns and the other now late in the occupation of William Stupple or of his assigns... and abutt and bound to the King's highway there towards the East, North and South, to the lands of Henry Leese towards the West and to the lands of Mathew Bery towards the North...

Dated 18th January 15 Charles II (1663).

Signed: John Kereby Prudence Kereby

Attached to the document by their original tags are two seals. The first consists of the major portion of the seal; in red wax, c. 2.8cms. dia., no impression being discernible.

The second, in paper on red wax, c. 2.8cms. dia, again has no distinguishable impression.

The names of the witnesses, which are given on the dorse, are Edward Wharell, William Knatchbull and Henry Knowler.

DEED TO LEAD TO USES OF FINE

Indenture dated 19th January 15 Charles II (1663)... BETWEEN John Kerby of the city of Canterbury, cordwayner and Prudence his wife of the first part, James Hales of Faversham in the county of Kent, mariner of the second part and Thomas Tilbe of Faversham aforesaid, carpenter of the third part ... WITNESSETH that to the intent a settlement of the messuage and gardens hereinafter mentioned may be had and made and that a division and partition maybe made of the same... between the said John Kerby and Prudence his wife and the said James Hales ... to the intent that they shall before the end of Hillary Term next ... levy one fine ... unto the said Thomas Tilbe ... at the Court of Common Pleas ... of all those 7 messuages or tenements... whereof two of the said messuages or tenements and gardens with the appurtenances lie together and are situated ... within the liberty of Faversham aforesaid, near the key there, one whereof is now in the tenure or occupation of John Chambers and the other now or late in the tenure or occupation of William Stupple ... and do abutt to the King's highway there towards the East, North and South, to the lands of Henry Leese towards the West and to the lands of Mathew Berry towards the North... and two other of the said messuages in the liberty of the town of Faversham aforesaid in a certain street there called 'West Streete' on the North side of the same street and are now in the several tenures or occupations of John Martoack and John Debenham, abutting to the said street there called 'West Street' towards the South, to the messuage and lands of Marke Cullen towards the West and North and to the messuage and lands of Ralph Morgan towards the East and the other 3 messuages or tenements and gardens with the appurtenances ... likewise lying together are situate, lying and being near unto the key belonging to the town of Faversham... and are on the West side of a certain lane commonly called by the name of 'Amys his lane', abutting to the said lane there towards the East, North and South and to the lands of the said Marke Cullen towards the West and North and to the lands of Edward Bridges towards the South and West and now or late in the several tenures or occupations of William Williams, John Pullen and Abigaill Sharkle, widow ...

Signed: John Kerby, the mark of <u>Prudence Kerby</u> 'PK'

James Hales <u>Thomas Tilbe</u>

Attached to two seal tags are four seals, two to a tag. They are of red wax. The first, paper on wax, c 2.5cms dia., bears the impression of a lion statant (?). The second, instead of paper, has parchment applied to the wax, on which is the faint impression of a bird (?). C 2.5cms dia.. The third and the fourth seals, both attached to the second seal tag are c 2cms dia., bearing the impression of a device which is indistinct.

The witnesses, whose names are given on the dorse, are <a>Ed Wharell, <a>Will Knochbull and <a>Hen Knowler.

Endorsed: 'Robert Agar's writings from the widow Hales. These are all the writings belonging to Mrs. Hales' estate.'

BOND

Bond from Martha Sherren of the City of Rochester in the Co. of Kent, spinster to Thomas Tilbee of the town of Ffaversham in the aforesaid county, carpenter in the sum of £40...

Dated: 3rd November 16 Charles II (1664)

Signed: Martha Sherren

Attached to the document by its tongue is a seal, paper on wax, c. 1½ cms. dia, round. The impression is indistinct.

The names of the witnesses are: Edward Ph(?)illett, Francis Peeance and James Tassell.

The condition of the obligation is such that, whereas the within bounden Martha Sherren hath by her deed poll bearing the same date as the obligation... for consideration therein mentioned... given, granted &c. unto the said Thomas Tilbee... ALL that her one messuage or tenement and one garden whereupon one outhouse belonging to the said messuage now standeth together with the moiety or one half part of one well... situate lying and being within the town and liberty of Faversham within written in a certain street there called West Streete on the south side of the same street... to have and to hold forever... if the said Martha is seized in absolute estate in fee simple, then this obligation to be null and void...

<u>CO. KENT</u> <u>1684</u>

QUITCLAIM

Know all present and future that I James Hales of Faversham in the county of Kent, seaman... in consideration of £3-10-0 paid by John Hales of Faversham aforesaid, cooper, my brother... HAVE remised released and quitclaimed forever unto the said John Hales ... all that my interest to... the moiety of all that messuage or tenement, garden, backside and appurtenances thereunto belonging... situated lying and being in the parish of Ospring in the said county of Kent, within the town and liberty of Faversham, in a certain street there called Weststreete, on the North side of the same street, now in the occupation of the said John Hales or of his assigns abbutting to the said street towards the South, to the messuages and lands late of <u>John Kirby</u> and <u>Mark Cullen</u> towards the West and North, towards messuage and land late of <u>Ralph Morgan</u> now of Thomas Morgan towards the East and also of and in one whole seventh part, the whole being in seven parts to be didvided and also of and in one morety of one full seventh part, the ssaid seventh part to be in two parts to be divided of all those three messuages or tenements &c.... situated near unto the Key, belonging unto the town of Faversham aforesaid and also lying and being on the West side of a certain land commonly called or known by the name of Amis his land...

Dated 7th November 1684.

Signed: James Hales , by his mark.

Attached to the document by parchment strips is a seal, paper on red wax, c. 2.8 cms. dia, the impression being indistinct.

The names of the witnesses, given on the dorse, are <u>Richard Baker</u> (his mark 'B'), <u>Sabesur Barnham</u> and <u>Thomas Waterman</u>.

BOND

Bond from <u>James Hales</u> of Faversham in the said county of Kent seaman to <u>John Hales</u> of Faversham cowper... in the sum of £50...

dated 3rd November 36 Charles II (1684)

Signed: <u>James Hales</u>, by his mark

The witnesses are <u>Richard Baker</u> ('B', his mark), <u>Tabesur</u> (sic) <u>Barnham</u> and <u>Thomas Waterman</u>

The condition of the bond is to keep certain covenants contained in one indenture of feofment of even date between $\underline{\text{James Hales}}$ of the one part and $\underline{\text{John Hales}}$ of the other...

Attached to a small tongue, slotted into the fabric of the parchment is a seal, c. 1.5 cm. dia., paper on red wax, the impression being indistinct.

County KENT 1713

Lease for one year

Indenture dated 9th April 12 Anne (1713) between <u>Luke Pawson</u> of Ashford in the county of Kent, joiner of the one part

AND John Searles of Wye in the said county, yeoman of the other part... WITNESSETH that the said Luke Pawson for and in consideration of the sum of 5/-... HATH granted, bargained and sold unto the said John Searles ... ALL those two messuages or tenements being under one roof or covert and formerly were but one house and all the stables, outhouses &c. ... and also all that one acre of pasture land (as the same now lyeth divided) thereunto... belonging situated, lying and being in the town of Ffeversham... in a street there called Weststreete and whereof one of the said messuages ... is now in the tenure or occupation of ---- and the other messuage is in the tenure or occupation of ----- which said messuages Susan Pawson widow, late wife of John Pawson, late of Ffeversham, baker, deceased, holdeth for the term of her natural life and immediately after her deceased do ... come to the said Luke Pawson and his heirs... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... for the term of one whole year...

Signed : Luke Pawson

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in red wax, c $1\frac{1}{2}$ cms x $1\frac{1}{4}$ cms, slightly ovate, bearing the impression of a dove in flight, holding a branch in its beak.

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

Geore Ellis and Thomas Petter.

RELEASE

Indenture dated 20th May 28 George II (1755) BETWEEN John Clough of Milton next Sittingbourne in the county of Kent, yeoman, only son and heir (and also a devisee named in the last will and testament of John Clough of Milton next Sittingbourne, yeoman, deceased) of the one part and Edward Strants of Faversham, baker of the other part... WITNESSETH ... that for and in consideration of the sum of £38 the said John Clough ... HATH granted and released unto the said Edward Strants ... ALL those two pieces or parcels of meadow or salt marsh land, commonly called ... 'Hoggs Rents' with the appurtenances ... containing by estimation one acre of land and a half ... lying in the town and liberty of Faversham ... and bounding to the creek or river there towards the North and West, to the lands of Thomas Argar there towards the South and to the King's highway there towards the East, together with the stables and buildings thereon standing and being, late in the tenure or occupation of John Rogers, but now in the tenure or occupation of James Morgan, Gentleman ... TO HAVE AND TO HOLD ... unto the said Edward Strants his heirs and assigns forever ...

Signed: John Clough

Attached to the seal fold of the document is a seal, in red wax, c 2cms x 1.5 cms, bearing a very worn impression of an animal's head, couped.

The witnesses are named on the dorse. They are Thomas Argar and James Morgan.